

Subject: : Conservation

Topic: : who is Michael Krancer?

Re: who is Michael Krancer?

Author: : Gone4Day

Date: : 2011/3/24 19:13:15

URL:

Come on Pat, I thought you of all people would understand what an active rig is. That means its drilling, right now, as I type. Check out <http://gis.bakerhughesdirect.com/Reports/> Put in the state and county if you like and click view report. We both know from the time they start installing a pad until the time its reclaimed could be 2-3 years. Probably less then 20% of the time is there actually a rig on that pad, actively drilling. So back of the envelope calculation suggest there are 500 or so pads in the state in the process of being constructed, drilled, fracked or reclaimed.

I'm concerned about the rate of drilling, What is the rate of water usage? What is the rate of waste production? If you use the number of producing wells or the number of active drill pads you will grossly overstate the actual numbers and scare the crap out of people. That's what the media and unfortunately a lot of environmental groups do. If we are going to get a handle on this, we need to know accurately what the water usage really is and how much waste is actually produced. Exaggerating things 5 or 10 fold does not help.

I'm honestly glad to see conventional vertical wells become obsolete. They are higher risk and do more environmental damage then horizontal drilling ever will. I wish it would all go away but we know that's not going to happen. So rather then cry the sky is falling, let's confront the issue with actual data and facts. Only then can we manage it in a responsible manner to mitigate the detrimental effects.

As of last week there were 1720 active rigs in the US, 875 gas, 839 oil and 6 geothermal. They are 986 horizontal, 231 directional and 503 vertical rigs. A new report comes out every Friday.