

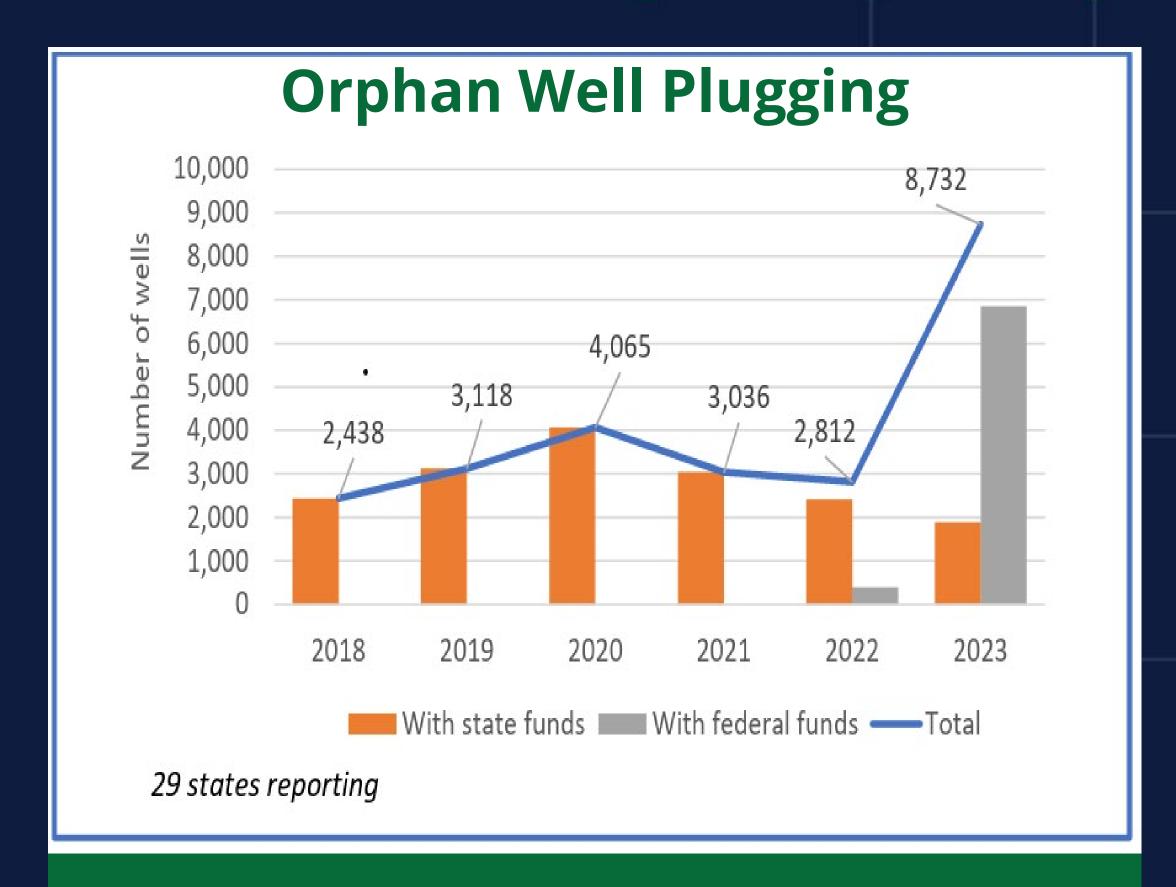
Orphan Wells: A Growing Problem

141,959 ¹
Documented orphan wells

250,000 – 740,000 ¹
Undocumented orphan wells

777,357 ²
Marginal wells at risk of becoming orphans

231,287 ³ Idle wells at risk of becoming orphans



\$56B - \$76B¹
Cost to plug orphan/at risk wells

^{1.} IOGCC. Supplemental Information on Orphan Well Plugging and Site Restoration. 2024.

^{2.} IOGCC. Marginal Well Report. 2016.

^{3.} IOGCC. Idle and Orphan Oil and Gas Wells: State and Provincial Regulatory Strategies. 2021.

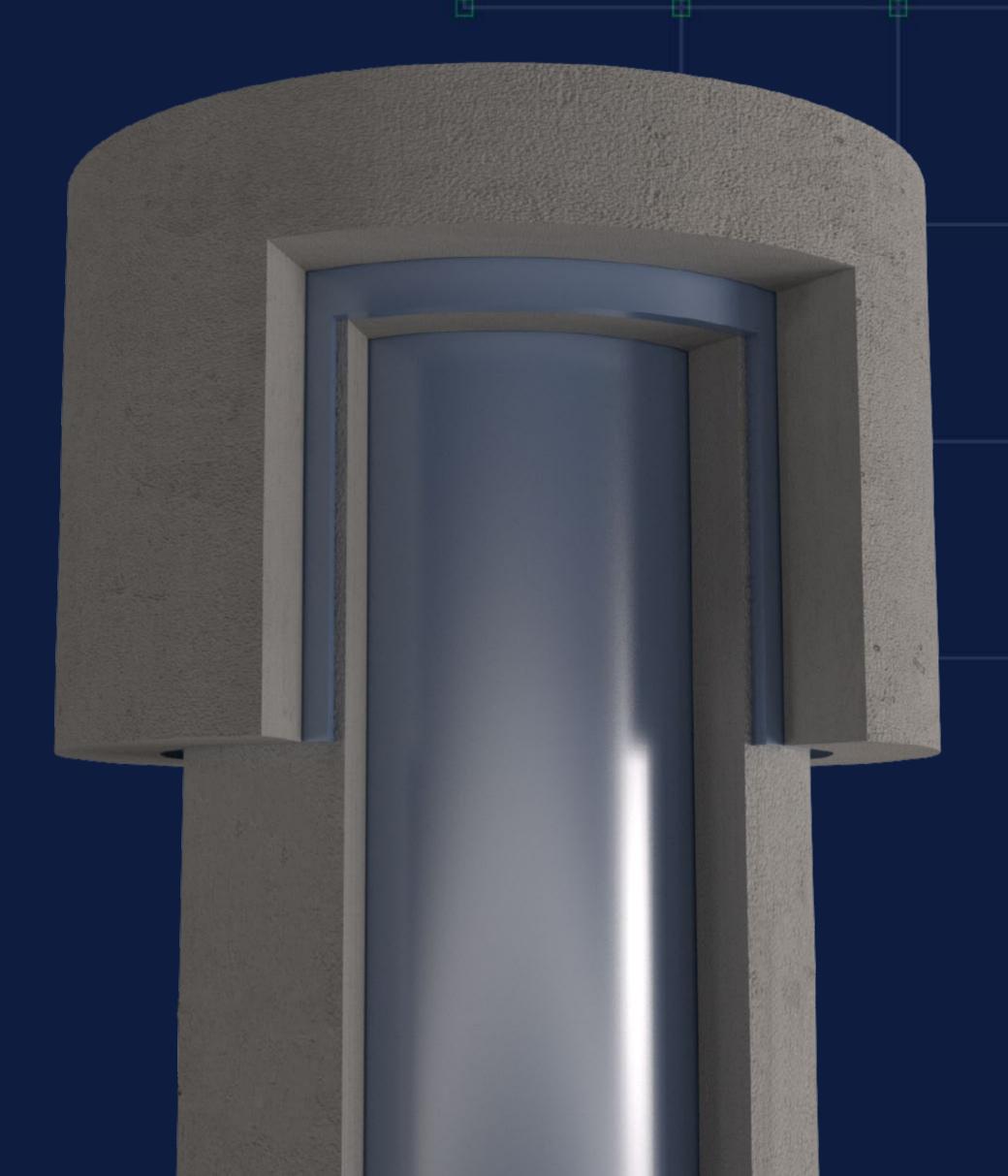
Plugging Problem: Easy vs Hard Wells

Straightforward Abandonment

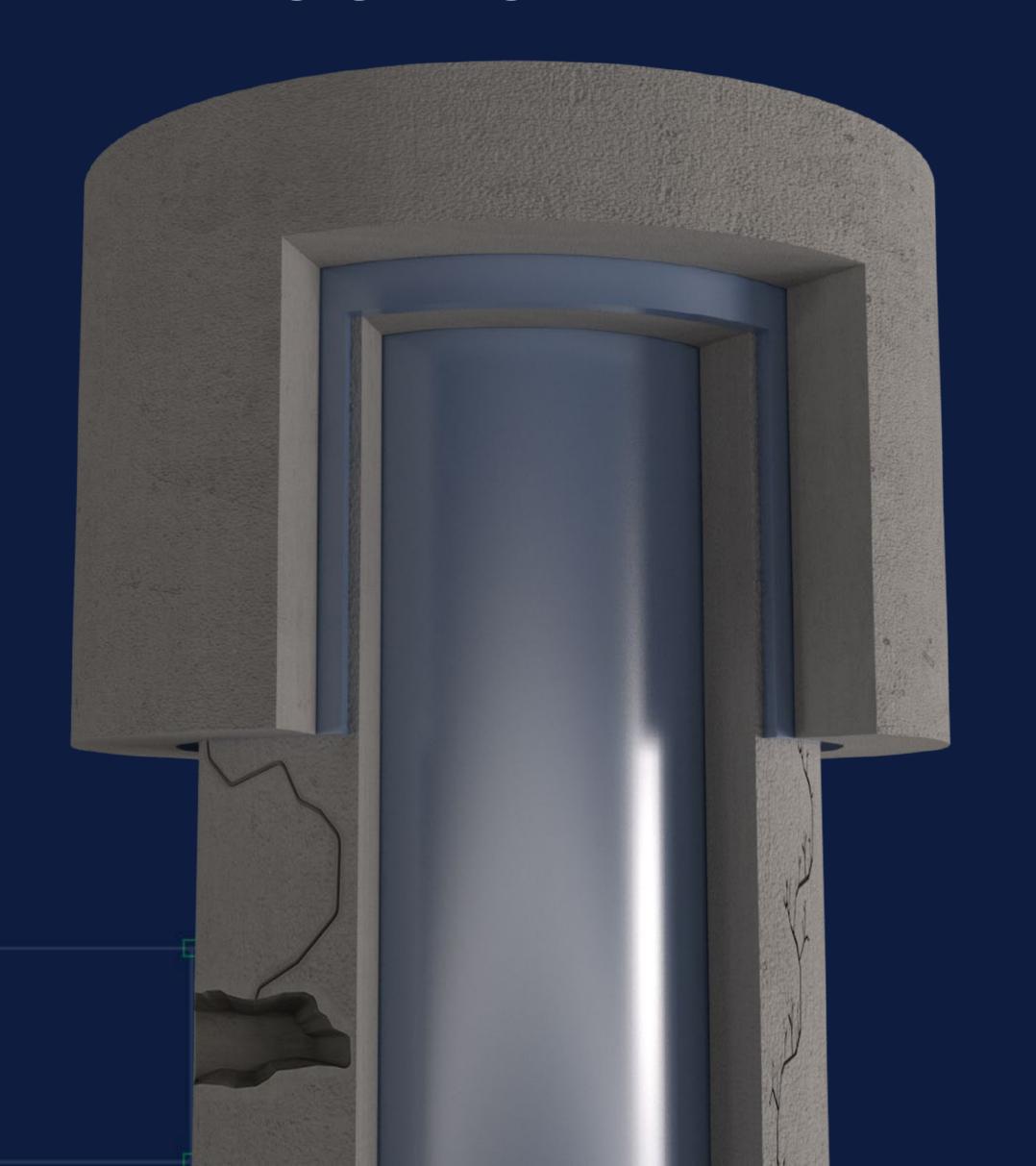
- Distribution: ~85% of wells 4
- Process: place bridge plugs and pump cement to isolate producing zones
- Time: ~1 week
- Cost: ~\$40K/well 1



^{4.} G. Lackey, H. Rajaram, J. Bolander, O.A. Sherwood, J.N. Ryan, C.Y. Shih, G.S. Bromhal, & R.M. Dilmore, Public data from three US states provide new insights into well integrity, Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. U.S.A. 118 (14) e2013894118, https://doi.org/10.1073/pnas.2013894118 (2021).



Plugging Problem: Easy vs Hard Wells



Challenging Abandonment

- Distribution: ~15% of wells 4
- Process: run diagnostics to identify source, perf and squeeze sealant, drillout unsuccessful attempts and try again as needed
- Time: +3 months
- Cost: +\$250K/well

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Well Integrity: Why Its Difficult

Zonal Isolation

Debonding, wormholes, and fractures in cement create leakage pathways that allow uncontrolled liquid and gas migration

Channels & Micro Annuli

Leakage pathways are very narrow, making them inaccessible for high viscosity sealants like cement

Ineffective Remediation

Unsuccessful attempts to mitigate the issue can add up quickly and become very costly

Biomineralization: Restoring Cement Bond



Low-Viscosity 1.05 cP fluids access and seal sub-micron leakage pathways



Self Diverts

Leakage pathways are sealed with active permeability reduction



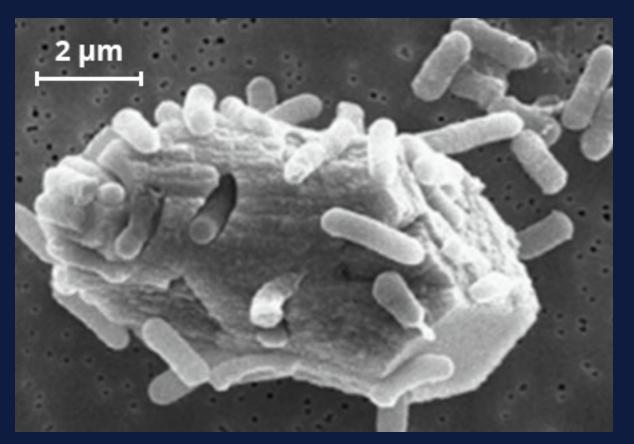
Impermeable Seal

Biofilm bonds to any material forming a permanent limestone barrier

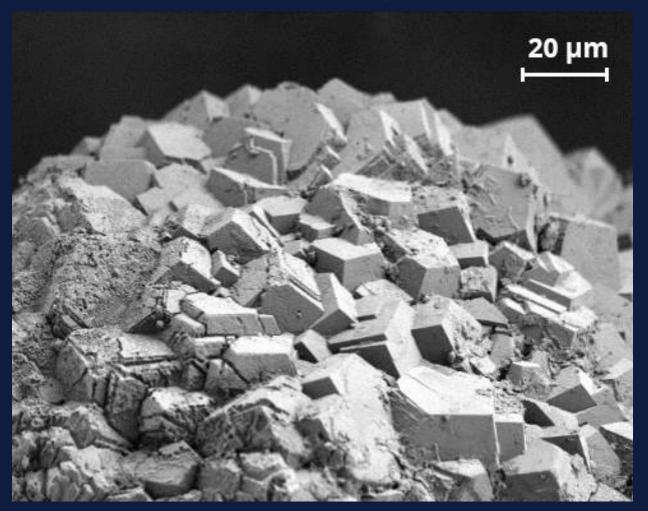


Environmentally Friendly

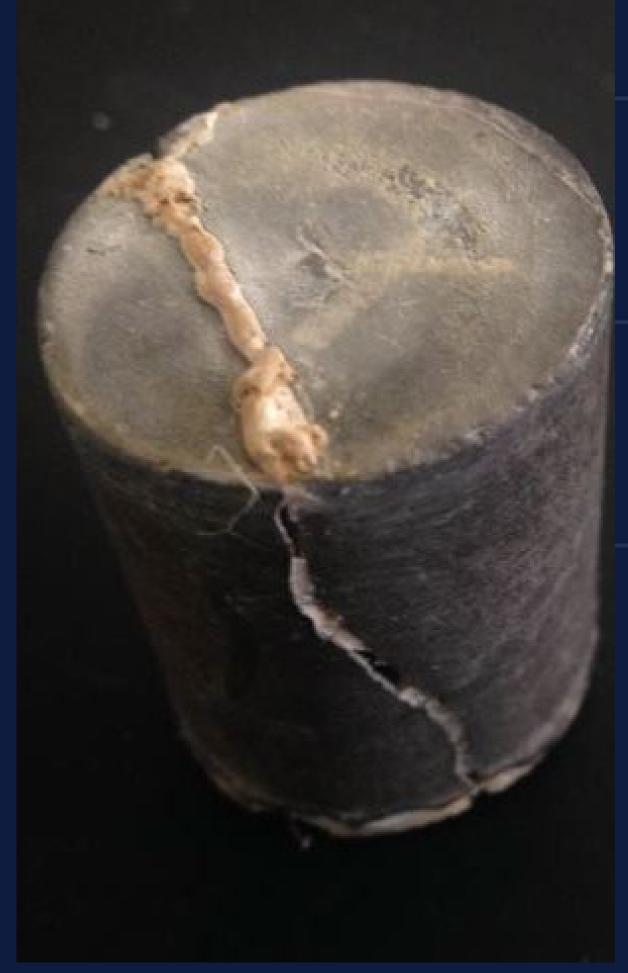
Natural soil microbes approved for treatment in sensitive areas



Microbes Forming Calcite



Calcite Crystals Bonded to Cement



Biomineralized Fracture

Leveraging Technology: Deeper Penetration

Extended Reach

Biomineralizing fluids travel +800 feet from the point of injection

Better Bond

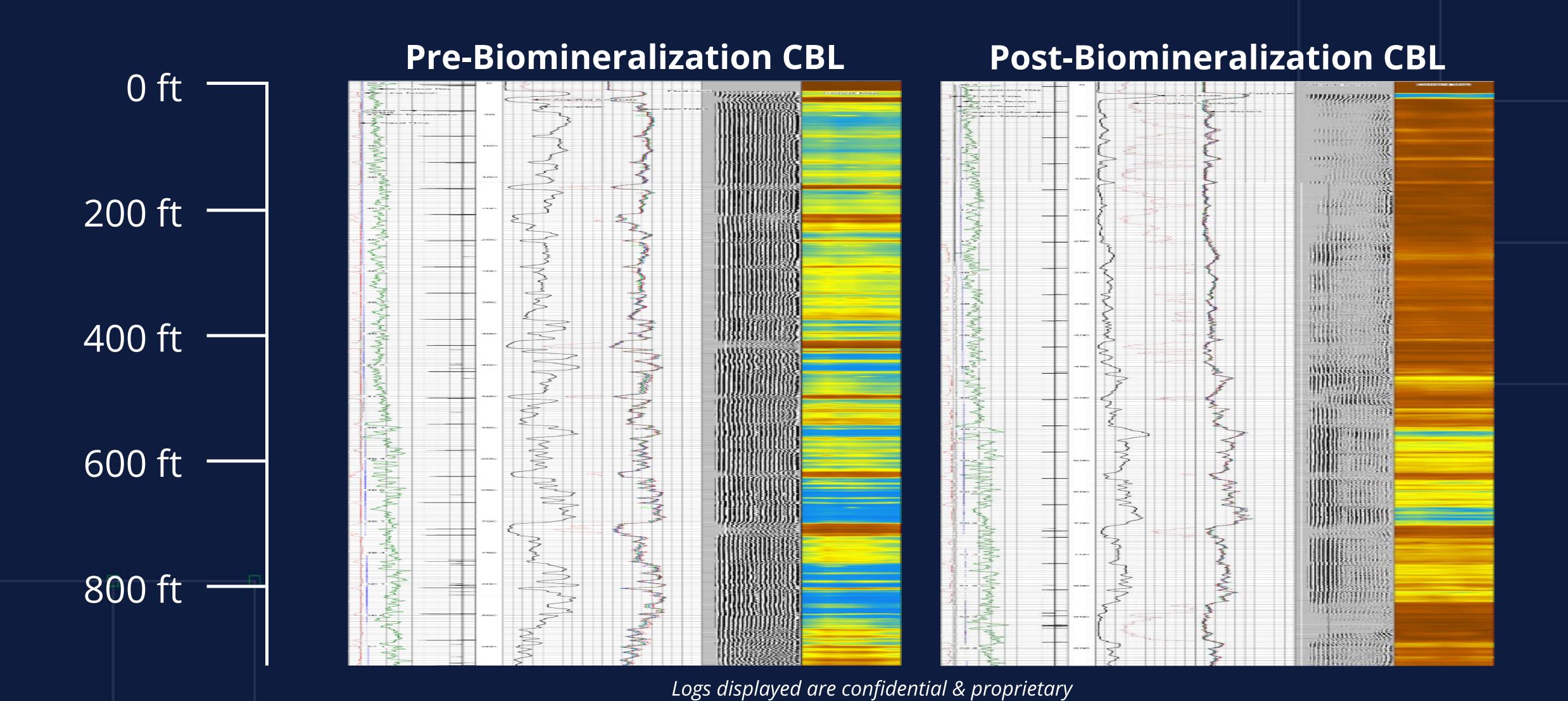
Limestone formed is gas-tight and stronger than cement

New Methodology

Surface injection traces leakage pathways to their source instead of creating a cap



Cement Healed +800 ft from Surface

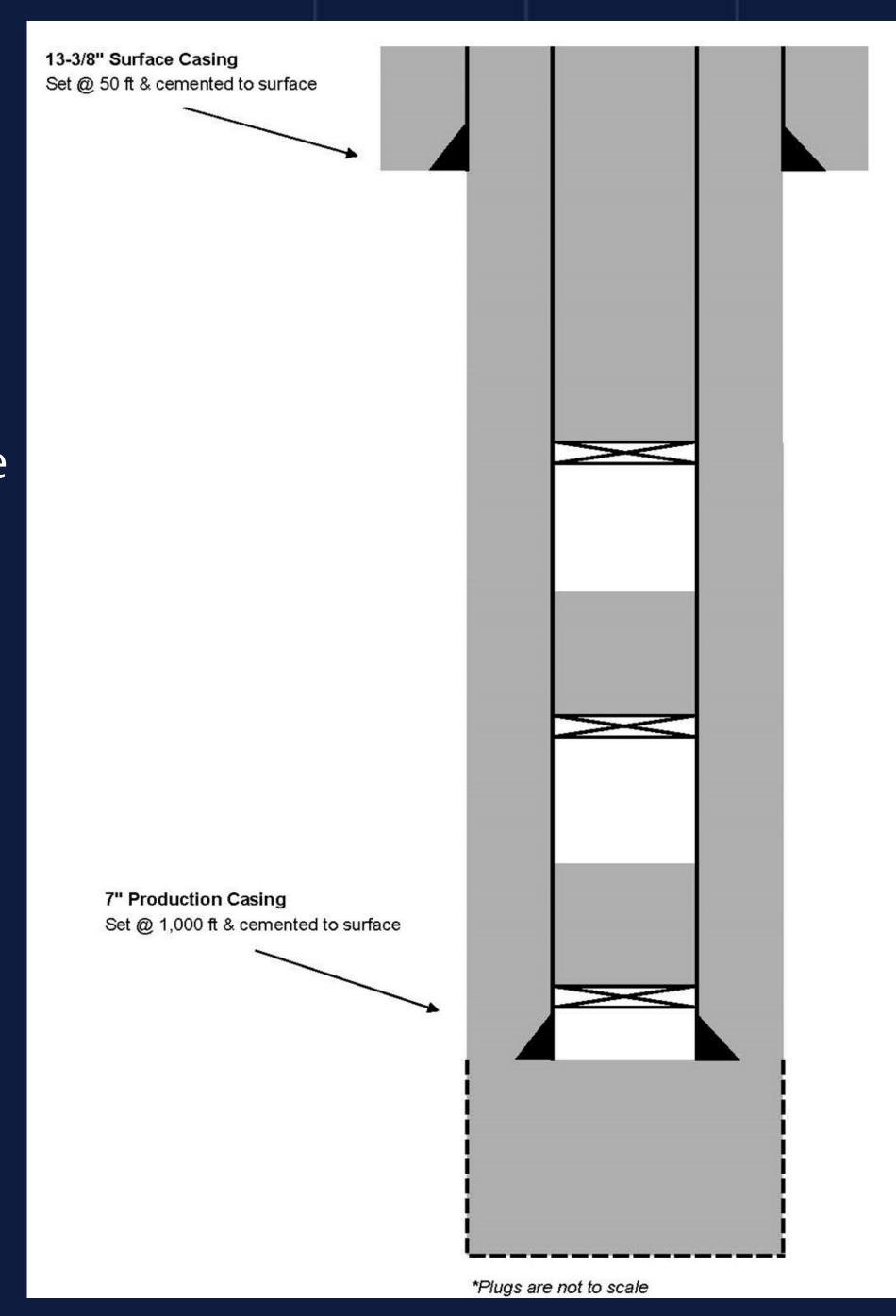


Case Study Ohio Orphan Well

Challenge

- Early 1900s Initial construction unrecorded
- WWII Stripped of casing for the war effort and orphaned
- 2023 New casing set and cemented, well plugged to surface
- 2024 Leaking +450 bubbles/minute





Case Study Ohio Orphan Well

Solution

- Pumped fluids riglessly from surface to heal cement
- 51 gal injected over 48 hours
- 0.145 gpm to 0.006 gpm (96% reduction)
- 0 bubbles and 0 psi after treatment
- Well cut, capped, and abandoned





Proactive Mitigation: Flipping the Script

Non-Invasive Treatment

Able to mitigate SCP from surface without a rig or perfs and leaves the wellbore full ID

Prepared to Plug

Treating well integrity issues earlier in the lifecycle when \$ is available makes plugging easy later when \$ is limited

Environmental Impact

Fixing integrity issues when they occur eliminates methane emissions for the life of the well (15-30 years) ⁶

1. IOGCC. Supplemental Information on Orphan Well Plugging and Site Restoration. 2024.

6. Smith, M. (2023, January 31). *Oil and Gas Technology and Geothermal Energy — Typical operational lifetimes for wells* [CRS Report No. R47405]. Congressional Research Service. https://crsreports.congress.gov/product/pdf/R/R47405



+\$8M
Cost to
Drill 5

\$55K Cost to Ensure Integrity \$40K Cost to Plug 1

^{5.} U.S. House of Representatives. (2023). Field hearing on the impact of rising drilling costs in the oil and gas sector [Hearing transcript]. U.S. Government Publishing Office. https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/CHRG-118hhrg51875.pdf

Summary & Work to Date

Ineffective Alternatives

Cements and resins routinely fail to restore zonal isolation delaying plugging and piling up costs

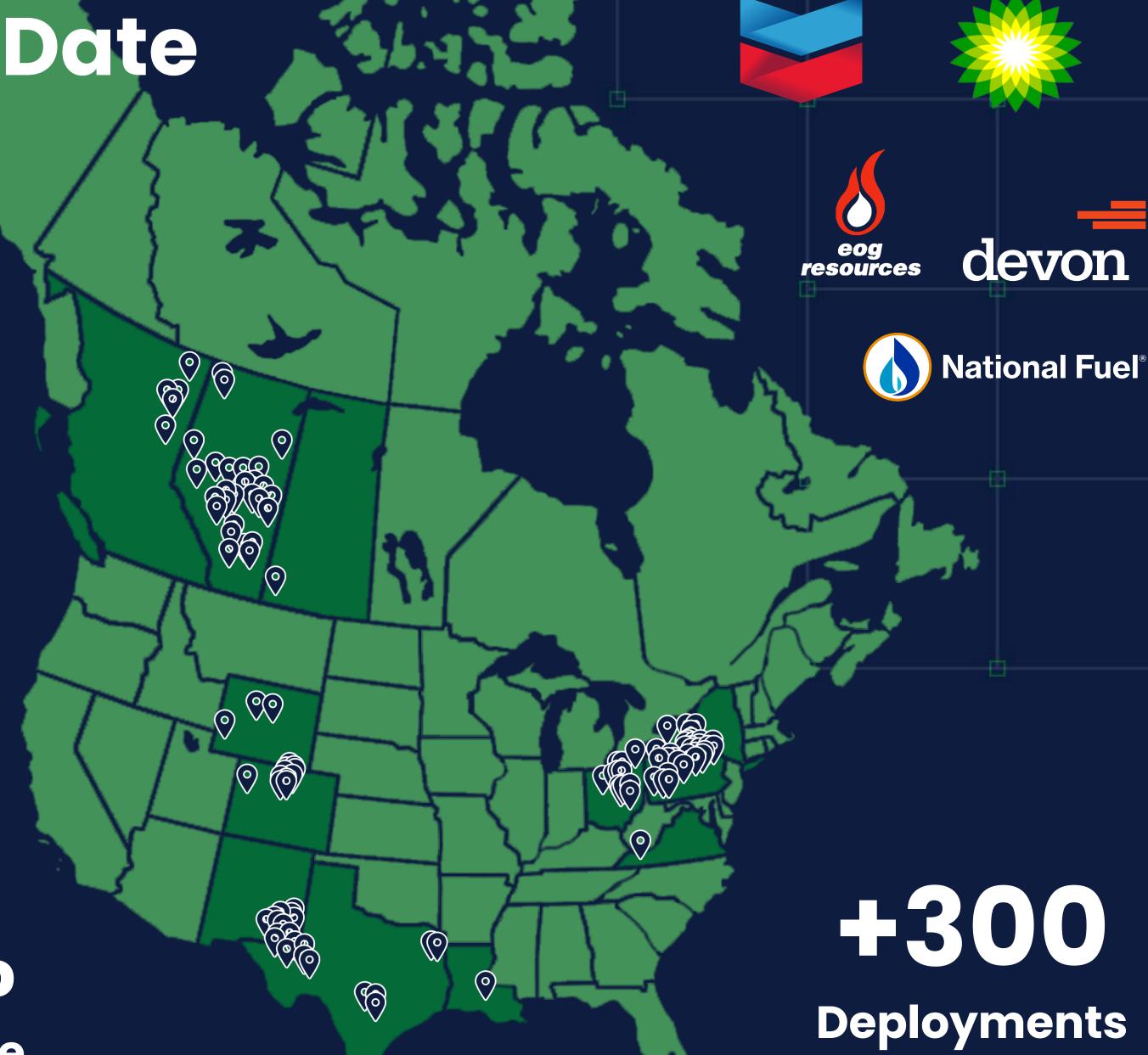
Proven Solution

Industry leading success rate efficiently eliminates integrity issues, saving \$ wasted on repeated unsuccessful attempts

Reduced Risk

Flat rate pricing makes expenditure predictable

+92%
Success Rate



Chevron



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