

PROTECT YOURSELF AND YOUR PROPERTY DEEP SHALE GAS/OIL DRILLING CAN IMPACT THE WHOLE COMMUNITY

Test Your Water before Drilling Begins

Only an E.P.A. certified lab test has a chance of standing up in a law suit against a drilling company

<http://www.epa.ohio.gov/ddagw/labs.aspx>

Samples must be drawn at the well or outside faucet (before system treatment) Photograph the sampling process for your records

Portage County Health Dept. testing is less expensive, but does not include all toxins

Portage County Health Department 330-296-9919, ext. 116

EXTENSIVE TESTING IS MORE PROTECTIVE

After drilling begins, have water tested professionally one month and six months later. To alert you to sudden changes in your water, a home-testing kit is available for about \$50. These tests won't stand up in court, but may prevent health impacts on your family.

Get Your House Appraised

Keep good records of your house and property worth before any drilling takes place on your land or nearby.

Professional appraisers are listed in the yellow pages

Call local real-estate people to estimate your property's value now

Deep shale, horizontal gas and oil drilling is industrialization, with noise, air pollution, heavy truck traffic, gas lines, compressor stations, separators. 5-8 acre cement well pads could be every square mile. In heavily leased communities, this "temporary" activity could take 5 years for all the drilling and fracking.

Your home may be worth less when there are gas storage tanks, pipelines or other gas infrastructure nearby.

Document your home's and neighborhood's value now, as evidence in case its value drops when drilling begins.

Use your camera, video camera, phone camera to record what you have now; deep shale wells, storage tanks, compressor stations in your community could change values.

Make sure the date and time are noted in your pictures:

Take front, back, side views of home, lawn, neighborhood

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT

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