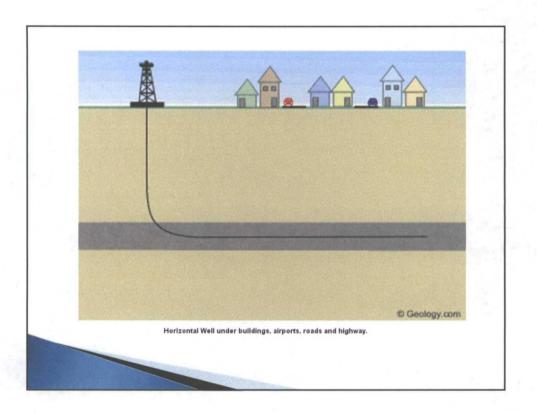
## What is a horizontal well?

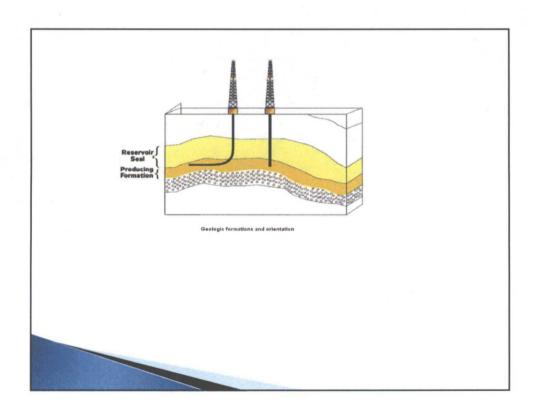
"Horizontal well" means a directional well bore with one or more laterals that extend a minimum of 100 feet horizontally in the target zone. A well with multiple laterals from a common wellbore in the same or different target zones or formations shall be considered one well.

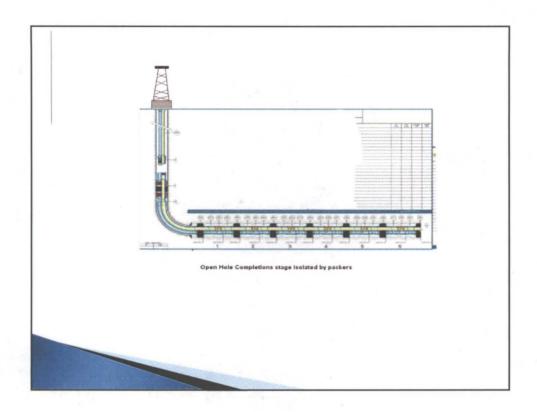
# **Simplified Examples of Horizontal Wells**

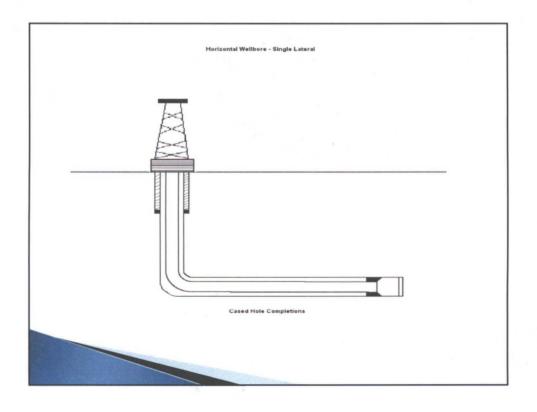
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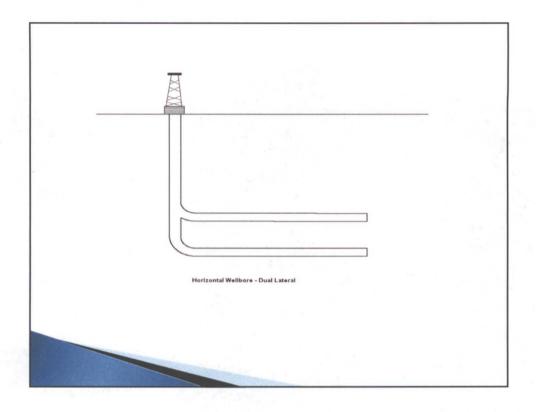
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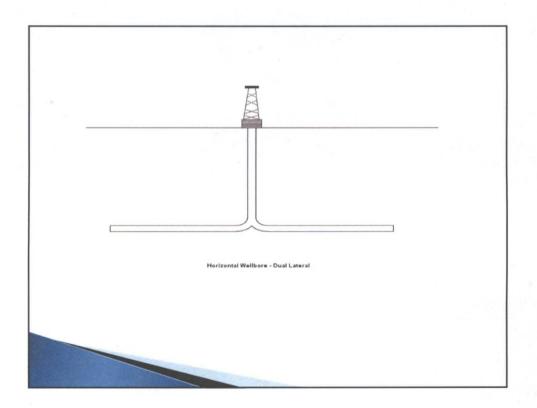


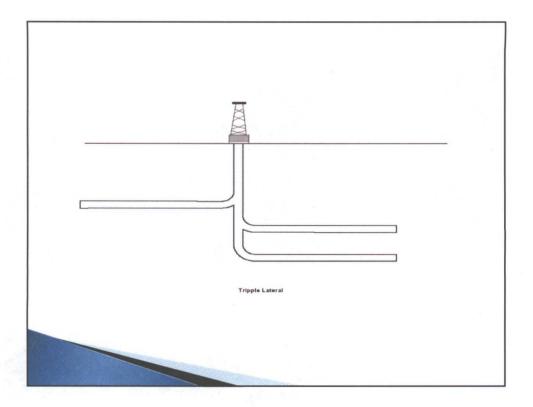












#### **Advantages of Horizontal Wells**

- •Multiple Laterals to exploit different pools (or sources of supply)
- •Exploitation of thin oil-rim reservoirs
- •Exploitation of deep shale reservoirs
- •Recovery of hydrocarbons under buildings, roads, highways, airports, and other surface obstructions
- •Reduce surface impacts at least 50% to 75% of the time
- •Preserve Endangered Species Habitats such as Sand Dune Lizards, and the Lesser Prairie Chicken
- •Production factor can be enhanced as much as 15 to 20 times to 1 as compared to vertical wells
- •Can be used as an Enhanced Oil Recovery (EOR) method by primary depletion
- •Recovers more of the Original Oil In Place (OOIP) than vertical wells

### **Disadvantages of Horizontal Wells**

- •Cost more than vertical wells
- •Cost factor can be as much as 2 or 3 times to 1 as compared to a vertical well.

However, with recent advances in horizontal well technology these costs are drastically being reduced.

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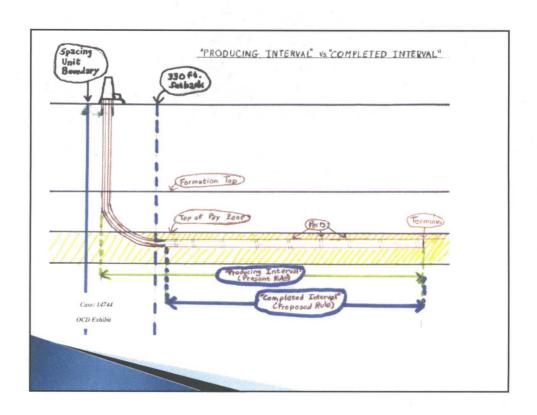
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**COMPLETED INTERVAL** 

#### **Completed Interval**

"Completed interval" means that portion of a wellbore or lateral that is:

- (1) cased, cemented and perforated;
- (2) an open hole; or
- (3) isolated by a packer or other non-permeable means and open to the formation



#### **Concept of Completed Interval**

- •May be more than 330 feet for oil setbacks, and 660 feet for gas setbacks
- Principally to protect Correlative Rights
- •Applies to all Laterals
- •Allows the operators design and plan their horizontal wells

# <u>Limitations on the Number of Wells Producing from a Spacing Unit or Project Area</u>

- •Limits to the number of wells per spacing unit or project area are not appropriate for horizontal wells
- •A horizontal well can have multiple laterals in any direction
- •The laterals can be drilled into different sources of supply
- •The laterals may have several stages of completion
- •A single horizontal well has as much potential to drain offset acreage as many vertical wells
- •Production factor for horizontal wells can be enhanced as much as 15 to 20 times to 1 as compared to vertical wells
- •Horizontal wells are different from vertical wells in technology, performance and cost
- •Operators will not necessarily drill a multi-million dollar horizontal well
- Due process will be exercised in any case of conflict

# The Amendments to the Rules are Developed to Prevent Waste and Protect Correlative Rights

- •Set back requirements
- •Completed interval
- •Oil proration schedules and gas-oil ratio limitations
- •Gas reservoirs are not affected by accelerated production

Estimated ultimate recoveries will be achieved