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W1217 **What the Frack?** An AWWA Webcast
The Real Deal with Fracking and the Water Industry

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Hydraulic Fracturing



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Objectives

- To define key aspects of hydraulic fracturing
 - The benefits of using HF for natural gas and oil production
 - History of the practice
 - Safe, engineered, regulated process
- To address industry concerns facing hydraulic fracturing
 - Groundwater protection
 - Casing program
 - Fluid migration
 - Frac design and physics
 - Surface water protection
 - Site construction
 - Spill control
 - Water disposal/recycle/reuse
 - Water use



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Examples of Energy Impacts



Wind farm in San Geronimo Pass, CA



Drilling rig in Woods County, OK



Sempa Energy Solar Farm, El Dorado, NY



Nuclear Reactor (Three Mile Island)



Mountaintop removal coal mine in southern WV



Photo Sources: USACE; Earth Observatory; Energy.gov; Global Warming Solutions; Energy & Environment; Energy & Environment



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Benefits

- Without the use of fracing, a major portion of domestic natural gas and oil could not be technically or economically produced.
- Increase in proved reserves:
 - In Natural Gas - from 164.42 trillion cubic feet (Tcf) in 1994 to 2,200 Tcf in 2012*
 - In oil – hydraulic fracturing has aided in the extraction of more than 7 billion barrels of oil**



*U.S. Energy Information Administration
 **Paper #20-1066: Hydraulic Fracturing: Technological Impact on Domestic Oil and Natural Gas Reserves. North American Resource Development Study Sept. 15, 2011. E. "Industry Benefits of Use" p.13



History of Hydraulic Fracturing

- The first experimental hydraulic fracturing treatment was performed in Grant County, Kansas, in 1947.
- The first commercial application of hydraulic fracturing was performed on March 17, 1949 in Stephens Co., Oklahoma.



Source: "A Historical Perspective of Hydraulic Fracturing," Ralph E. Vantosh, Jr. (2008)
Photo Sources: JPT Online, Offshore Publication of The Society of Petroleum Engineers

History of Hydraulic Fracturing

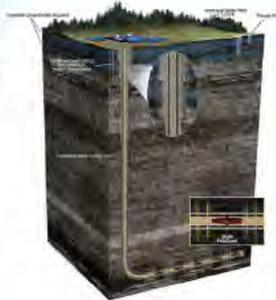


- In the first year, 332 wells were hydraulically fractured with the new technology, with an average production increase of 75 percent.*
- In the ensuing sixty plus years, the use of hydraulic fracturing has developed into a routine technology.
- Up to 95 percent of wells drilled today are hydraulically fractured.**
- Used in water wells and environmental remediation since the 1980s***

* Hydraulic Fracturing: History of an Enduring Technology, Carl T. Montgomery and Michael S. Smith, NSI Technologies
** National Petroleum Council
*** hydraulicfracturing.com

Hydraulic Fracturing

- Fracing is the treatment applied to formation rock to improve the flow of trapped natural gas or oil from its initial location through the wellbore.
- Hydraulic fracturing occurs after the wellbore has been drilled, cased and cemented.
 - Drilling rig is removed from the site before fracturing begins
- Safe, engineered, regulated process



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Hydraulic Fracturing Process

- Fluid mixed with sand/proppants and additives is pumped into the reservoir at high pressures
 - Fluids: **Water**, CO₂, Nitrogen, Foam, Propane
- Pressure is released and fractures are "propped" open to allow the natural gas and oil to flow towards and up the well bore
- The hydraulic fracturing process is completed in a matter of days



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Protecting Groundwater

- Several factors keep fluids out of drinking water aquifers
 - Wellbore construction: casing and cementing
 - Frac design and physics



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Casing and Cementing Design

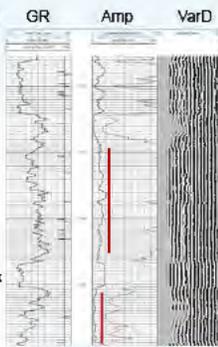
- Identifying where fresh water is located
 - Established by state water protection agencies
- Protective well design
 - Consist of multiple layers of steel casing
- Depths vary by play



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Sealing Groundwater Aquifers from Operations

- Multi-Disciplined Approach to Mitigate
 - Drilling – robust well design, cementing best practices
 - Geoscience – gas & reservoir identification
 - Completion - analysis & feedback
 - Production – pressure monitoring program
- Casing & Cementing Best Practices
 - Casing design – new pipe, improved connections
 - Casing reciprocation and rotation while cementing
 - Centralization of all casing strings
 - Slurry design improvements – expansion, gas block
 - Wellbore & fluid conditioning – circulating
 - Engineered spacers efficient for mud removal
 - Shut well in while waiting on completion



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Fluid Migration

- Frac design and physics
 - Imbibition into face of fractures
 - Volume of water and horsepower necessary to force fluids to surface through multiple layers of both permeable and impermeable formations
 - Lack of energy once hydraulic fracturing job is over
 - Low pressure zone around well bore



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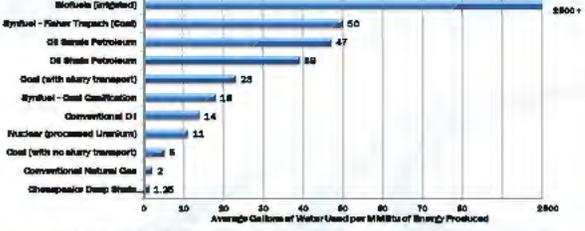


- Historically – Only freshwater
- Regulatory hurdles
- Chesapeake has explored the limits on conventional additive chemistry
- Industry development of higher TDS tolerant additives
- Currently filter (20 Micron) & blend into next job
- Reduces truck traffic / road wear
- Reduces freshwater demand
- Less expensive than conventional disposal or reclamation
- Cost - \$1.50-\$2.00 / bbl



Water Used to Produce Energy

- Myth: Natural gas and oil industry is the largest water user
- Fact: Deep shale natural gas is the least water-intensive energy to produce



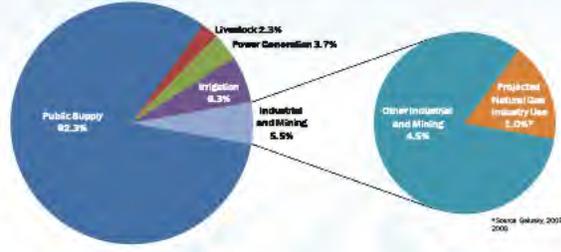
Energy Source	Average Gallons of Water Used per MMBtu of Energy Produced
Biofuels (pretreated)	2000+
Synfuel - Fisher Tropsch (Coal)	50
Oil Shale Petroleum	47
Oil Shale Petroleum	30
Coal (with slurry transport)	25
Synfuel - Coal Gasification	18
Conventional Oil	14
Nuclear (processed Uranium)	11
Coal (with no slurry transport)	8
Conventional Natural Gas	2
Chesapeake Deep Shale	1.25

Source: USDOE 2008 (other than CHX data)
 *Data not included in table (requires virtually no water for processing)
 Values in table are location independent (domestically produced fuels are more water intensive than imported fuels)



Water Use

Total water use (surface water and groundwater) in North Central Texas (20-county area) by sector



Sector	Percentage
Public Supply	62.3%
Industrial and Mining	5.5%
Other Industrial and Mining	4.5%
Projected Natural Gas Industry Use	1.0%
Irrigation	8.3%
Power Generation	3.7%
Livestock	2.3%

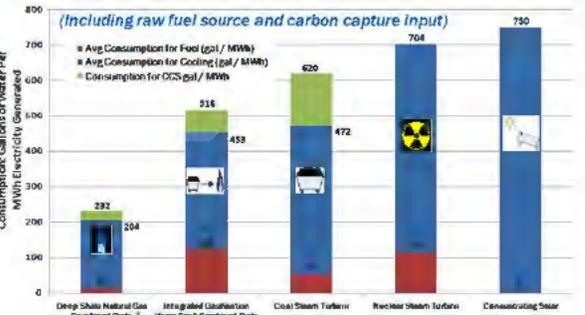
*Source: Galley, 2007, 2008



Power Generation Water Use Efficiency

Parasitic Effect of Carbon Capture

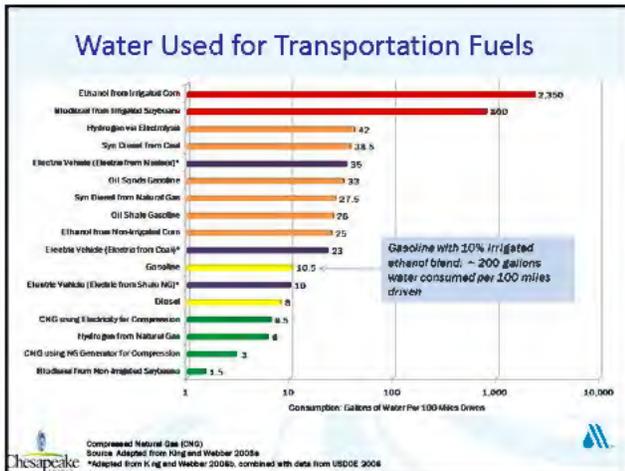
(Including raw fuel source and carbon capture input)



Technology	Consumption (Gallons of Water Per MWh of Electricity Generated)
Deep Shale Natural Gas Combined Cycle	282
Integrated Coal/Gas (from Coal) Combined Cycle	459
Coal Steam Turbine	620
Nuclear Steam Turbine	708
Conventional Coal	750

Source: USDOE 2008 (other than CHX data) and USDOE/NETL 2007
 *Average consumption for fuels: Chesapeake data
 MWh = megawatt-hour





CNG Compared to Gasoline

- The production during the life of 1 Marcellus well is equivalent to 46,888,700 gallons of gasoline
 - 562,664,300 Heavy Duty CNG miles
- The production during the life of 1 Marcellus Pad (typically 6 wells) is equivalent to 281,332,150 gallons of gasoline
 - 3.38 billion Heavy Duty CNG miles

Produced in over the life of a Marcellus well: 0.2 bar or 0.25 psi at 870 (http://www.ang.gov/History/CN_Marcellus_L_Padms_0208.pdf)
Chesapeake Energy's Press Department provided reported fuel in its way for current fleet Ford F250 CNG (eng. 12 mpg)
114,000 BTU per gallon of gasoline
Photo Source: CNG.com

- ### Additional Resources
- www.AskChesapeake.com
 - www.HydraulicFracturing.com
 - www.NaturalGasWaterUsage.com
 - www.NaturalGasAirEmissions.com
 - www.FracFocus.org
 - www.EnergyinDepth.com
 - www.ANGA.com

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Fracking: Fears and Facts— Charting a Path to an Optimum Solution



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Overview

- A complex issue, with deeply held feelings, adversarial positions, and conflicting “science”;
- This presentation will help you sort out the facts from the emotions to evaluate the overall benefits and drawbacks of hydraulic fracturing.



Learning Objectives

- As a result of this presentation, you will be able to assess 3 major questions about hydraulic fracking;
 1. you will learn about induced seismicity;
 2. you will see impacts from traffic; and
 3. you will gain facts about contamination.

The understanding gained should allow you to more effectively and accurately respond to stakeholder’s concerns.



Agenda

1. Examine the risks, both real and perceived;
2. List limitations to our understanding;
3. Evaluate data from two “case-study” areas, the Marcellus and the Fayetteville;
4. Propose approaches to optimize both resource exploitation and environmental preservation.



What Are the Risks?

- Earthquakes
- Increased traffic
- Blowouts during fracking process
- Increased sedimentation
- Degraded environment
- Degraded water quality



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Earthquake Risk—Fear or Fact?

- Injection of fracking solutions into the gas-bearing shale formations causes earthquakes.
- Deep-well injection of the spent fracking fluids produces small-magnitude earthquakes.



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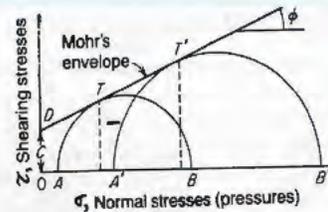
Magnitude 7.4 Chi-Chi Earthquake 9/21/99 in Taiwan,



photo: Karl Mueller, Colorado Univ

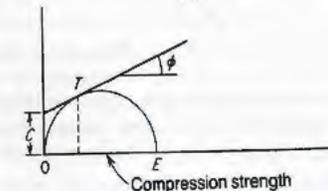


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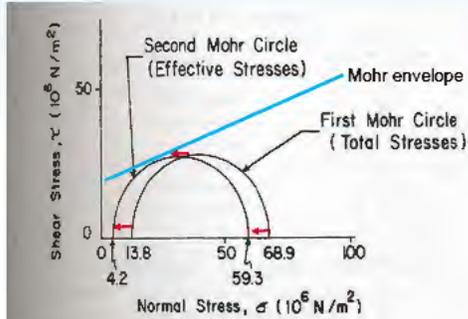


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Overpressuring Shifts Mohr Circle Into Failure



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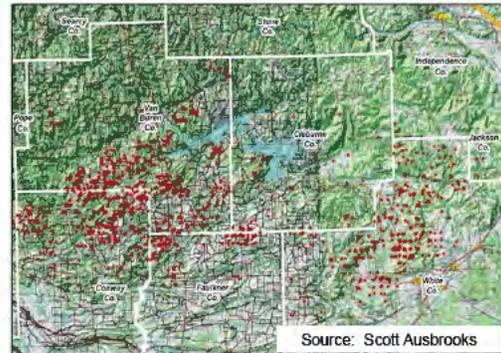
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Outcrop of Fayetteville Shale



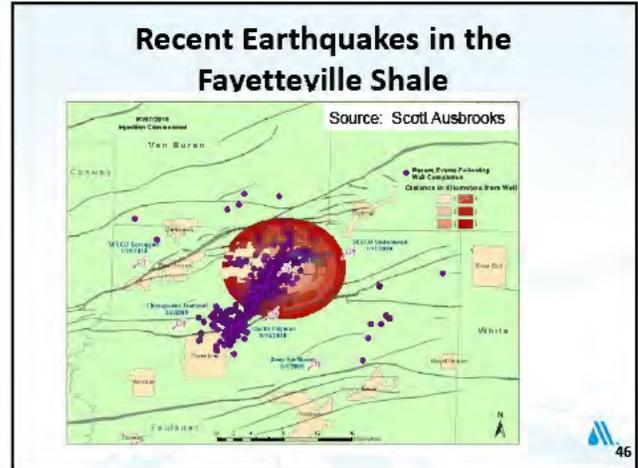
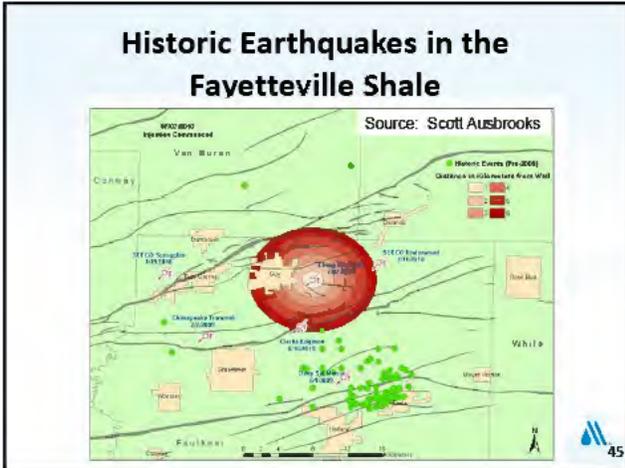
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Fracking in the Fayetteville Shale



Source: Scott Ausbrooks

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Risk 1—Earthquakes

- Perceived risk—**injection** of fracking solutions into the gas-bearing shale formations causes earthquakes.
 - No scientific evidence supports this*
- Actual risk—**deep-well injection** of the spent fracking fluids does produce small-magnitude earthquakes.
 - Theory and seismic data support this; earthquakes produced are in the 2-4 M range.*

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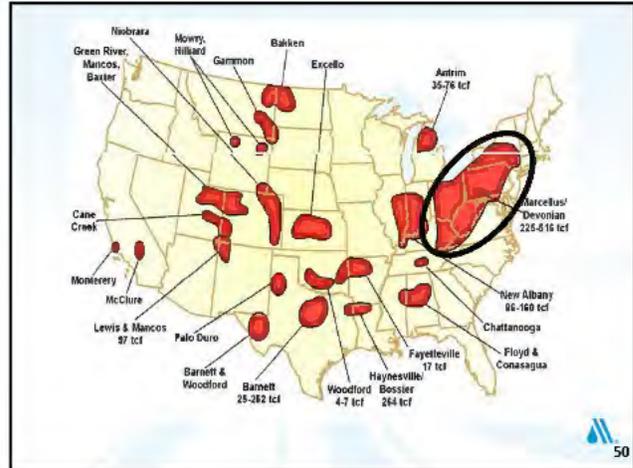
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Traffic Risk—Fear or Fact?

- Fracking is a major industrial process, and the complete process is conducted in typically rural areas, using heavy equipment.
- Fracking is an *in situ* process, so the equipment must be transported to the site.
- Increased traffic occurs because of the need for large volumes of water used in the fracking process. In terms of tanker trucks, this typically can be from many tens to several hundred tanker trucks per frack job.



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Fracking Traffic—Marcellus Shale



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Risk 2—Increased Traffic

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Risk 2—Increased Traffic (2)

- **Fact**-It should be noted that the traffic to and from the well pad decreases significantly after the major construction phase, so that only operation, monitoring, maintenance, and security traffic occurs later in the history of each site. These latter activities do not require heavy equipment.

Observed-evidence supports this

- **Fact**-It should also be noted that although major traffic occurs for a limited time at a single site, typically there are numerous sites within the area of a “play”, and although the traffic increase of a single site has a relatively short duration, traffic in the entire play occurs over an extended period.

Observed-evidence supports this



What the Risks Are

- Earthquakes
- Increased traffic
- Blowouts during fracking process
- Increased sedimentation
- Degraded environment
- Degraded water quality



Water-Quality Risk—Fear or Fact?

- Injection of fracking solutions will create gas and brine contamination pathways into the shallow aquifers that serve as drinking-water supplies.
- Fracking fluids contain “poisons”.
- Unmapped faults and unplugged, abandoned wells are present, and these are leakage pathways.
- Failure of cement/casing couple will allow blowouts, which contaminate streams and shallow aquifers.



Unmapped Faults & Unplugged Abandoned Wells

- In the tectonically deformed region of the **Marcellus Shale** (described earlier), unmapped faults might allow “gases from shale-gas wells to migrate and put shallow wells at risk.” (Warner et al., 2012)
- Bertetti and Green (2012) indicated that “abandoned wells pose the greatest potential threat in deep-well disposal of waste fluids” ... in the area of the **Eagle Ford Shale** play in south Texas.
- “Migration via an existing borehole (i.e., an abandoned, open well) is possible, particularly if an abandoned well is not identified, is reasonably close to the disposal well, and the contaminant is injected into the same horizon as the screened section of the abandoned well.” (Bertetti and Green, 2012)



Blowouts

“ALLEN TOWN - A blowout at a natural gas well in rural northern Pennsylvania spilled thousands of gallons of chemical-laced water Wednesday, contaminating a stream and forcing the evacuation of seven families who live nearby as crews struggled to stop the gusher.”

No injuries; no explosion; no fire; no natural gas emissions; no fish kill in Towanda Creek, which is stocked with trout.

The point to be made is that the company experienced failure in the cementing job, but had followed regulations, thereby preventing any contaminated water to reach the stream.



Risk 3—Water-Quality Degradation

- **Perceived risk**-Injection of fracking solutions will create gas & brine contamination pathways into the shallow aquifers that serve as drinking water supplies.
No scientific evidence supports this at this time, although it is a possibility
- **Perceived risk**-Fracking fluids contain “poisons”.
Fracking fluids and formation brines contain undesirable constituents, but these are not toxic or “poisonous”



Risk 3—Water-Quality Degradation (2)

- **Actual Risk**-Unmapped faults and unplugged, abandoned wells are present, and these are leakage pathways.
These appear to represent a real risk of unknown probability. Characterization, monitoring, and mitigation strategies should be in place, and rules rigidly enforced.
- **Actual Risk**-Failure of cement/casing couple will allow contamination of shallow aquifers & streams.
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Summary

1. With fracking, there are risks that are both real and imagined. We need to share our understanding with all stakeholders, and be open and respectful.
2. Our understanding of the groundwater systems is limited, especially for subsurface conditions that are impossible to view directly. Those risks that occur at land surface appear to be well understood; those risks that deal with the subsurface should have a level of safety built in to protect the environment.
3. Based on natural variations in the tectonic setting and hydrogeologic framework of different areas, water-quality conditions should be fully characterized, monitored, observed, and if necessary, mitigated. We should implement and rigorously enforce regulations.
4. To optimize both resource exploitation (which will occur because the energy from this resource is fairly clean and fairly inexpensive) and environmental preservation (which is necessary because of our need to protect our water supplies in the shale-gas areas), we need to work together for long-term solutions built on the best understanding available. We need to overcome fear, share information openly, develop mutual respect, include all stakeholders, and technically strive to educate all.



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Bromide in the Allegheny River: A Link with Marcellus Shale Operations



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Rationale

This presentation will help the viewer recognize drinking water quality problems that may be associated with fracking

This may help drinking water personnel deal with similar issues at their treatment plants



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Learning Objectives

As a result of this presentation, viewers will become familiar with specific source water and finished water parameters that may change as a result of fracking

Viewers should also become aware of specific sources of contaminants in the raw water



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Disinfection Byproduct Formation

Natural Organic Matter (NOM) + Chlorine + Bromide →

Trihalomethanes:	
Chloroform	(CHCl ₃)
Dichlorobromomethane	(CHCl ₂ Br)
Dibromochloromethane	(CHClBr ₂)
Bromoform	(CHBr ₃)



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Total THMs and % Bromoform Contribution for PWSA Distribution Sites (Sept 2010)

SAMPLE LOCATION (Date)	TTHM (ppb)	% CONTRIBUTION OF BROMOFORM
Brashear Tank Influent (10 Sept)	132	59
4061 Pearyville Ave (16 Sept)	226	60
2000 Mt. Troy Rd. (16 Sept)	191	46
4620 Evergreen Rd. (17 Sept)	270	60
928 Chartiers Ave. (21 Sept)	225	48
Chestnut St. (21 Sept)	205	50
159 Homestead St. (21 Sept)	145	43



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Questions

1. What effect does excess bromide in the river have on THM formation in drinking water?
 - Total THM concentration
 - % brominated species
2. How effective are drinking water plants in removing bromide from source water?
3. How much bromide is in the Allegheny River, how much does it vary, and what is the source of excess bromide?
 - Coal- Fired power Plants
 - Steel Mills
 - POTWs treating Marcellus Shale flowback water
 - Industrial ww plants treating Marcellus Shale flowback water
 - Abandoned mine drainage



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Effect of Excess Source Water Bromide on THM formation



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TTHM Formation Potential Study (Effect of Experimental Addition of Bromide)

Bromide Supplement (ppb)	Total THMs (ppb)	% Concentration of Bromoform	% Concentration of Brominated Species
0*	102	1	22
20	88	1	31
60	121	1	44
100	113	3	58
150	129	5	69
200	133	10	77
300	123	27	89

*Baseline bromide concentration= 39ppb



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Effectiveness of Conventional Drinking Water Treatment in Removal of Bromide from Source Water



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Removal of Bromide by PWSA Drinking Water Treatment Plant

SAMPLE SITE	2010 Date -Time	Bromide Concentration (ppb)	2011 Date -Time	Bromide Concentration (ppb)
River Intake	25 Oct - 0730	188	21 Mar - 0720	44
Flume	25 Oct - 1200	158	21 Mar - 1230	40
Settled Water	26 Oct - 1210	171	22 Mar - 1300	45
Pre-filtered Water	26 Oct - 1515	192	22 Mar - 1600	<25
Post-filtered Water	26 Oct - 1505	134	22 Mar - 1605	<25
Finished Water	27 Oct - 0800	<50	23 Mar - 0800	<25

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- How Much Bromide is in the Allegheny River?
- How Much Does the Concentration Vary (with Time and Location)?
- What is the Source of Excess Bromide in the River?

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PWSA INTAKE (Allegheny River)- Bromide Concentration (ppb)

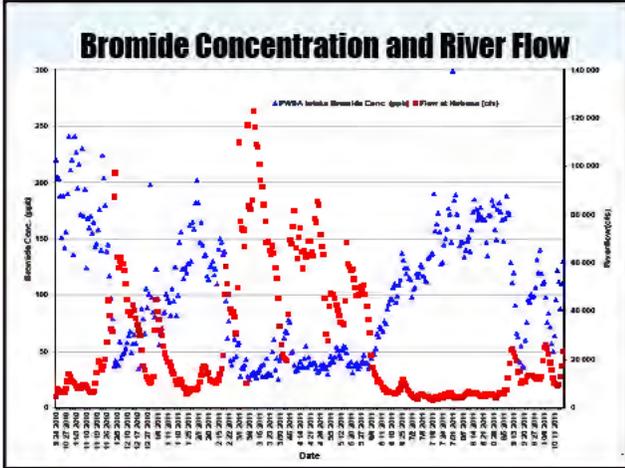
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3		227	39	121	165	36	68	30		105	172	174	110	38	54	
4		199	38	97	145	35	87	38	44	107	161	167	112	38	47	
5		216	59	56	135	38	78	46	48	119	164	148	98	38	61	
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7		230	48	71	117	28	45	41	53	119	147	168	84	65	53	
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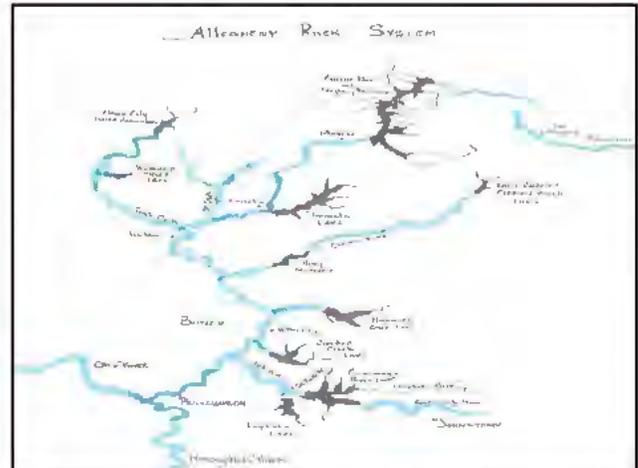
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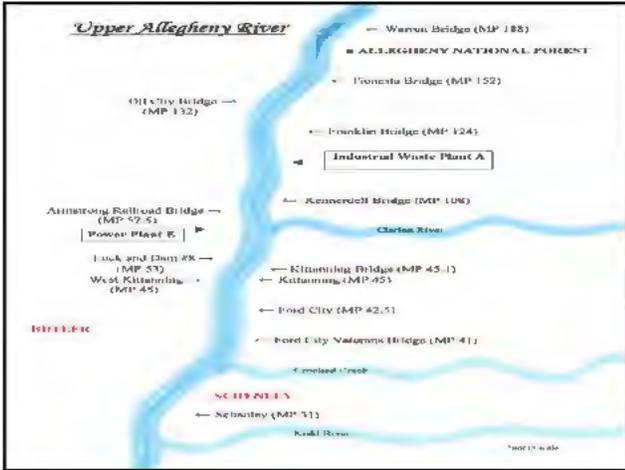
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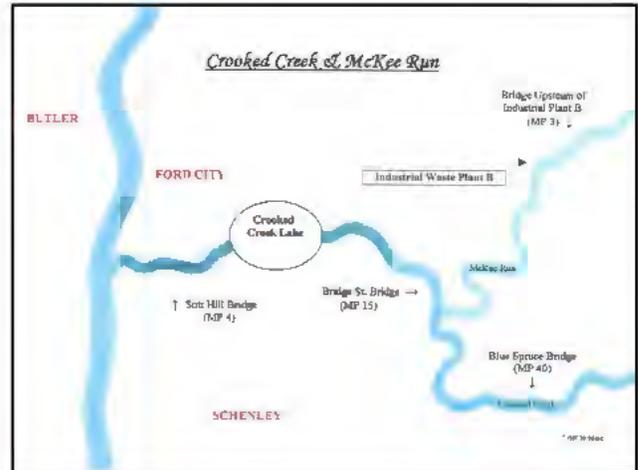
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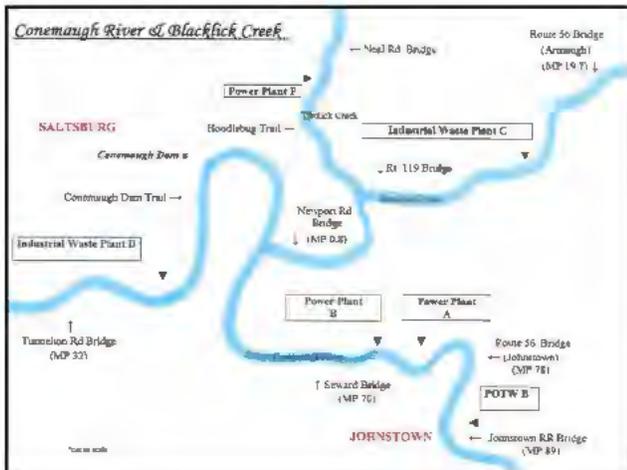
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Jonestown Bridge				82 (170)			<5 (74)			29 (134)			42 (164)			40 (24)
Franklin Bridge			85 (104)	83 (215)	38 (104)	<5 (304)	24 (215)	21 (104)	67 (234)	50 (124)	84 (24)	89 (24)	30 (30)	38 (234)	38 (234)	42 (24)
Industrial Waste Plant A				2 X	3 X	2 X	1.8 X		1.5 X	3 X	1.3 X		4 X	1.2 X		
Kennerdel Bridge			85 (104)	125 (215)	101 (104)	51 (304)	43 (234)	20 (104)	84 (234)	134 (124)	69 (24)	80 (234)	141 (134)	46 (234)	33 (24)	
Crooked River																
Armstrong Railroad bridge										87 (234)	77 (124)	89 (24)	107 (234)	83 (30)	45 (234)	24 (24)
Coal Fired Power Plant E															1.9 X	1.7 X
Lock and Dam #8 (RDB)										84 (234)	80 (124)	83 (24)	111 (234)	83 (30)	67 (234)	40 (24)
Kittanning Bridge		134 (134)	89 (30)	51 (234)	89 (215)	118 (104)	33 (304)	51 (234)	20 (104)	105 (234)	82 (144)	104 (24)	121 (234)	83 (30)	51 (234)	31 (24)
Ford City Bridge	163 (240)	101 (154)		51 (234)	57 (124)	122 (104)	28 (304)	34 (134)	46 (124)	84 (144)	82 (144)	102 (14)	105 (104)	50 (104)	80 (20)	
Crooked Creek	1.1 X	1.1 X			1.1 X	1.2 X	1.2 X			1.4 X	1.3 X	1.4 X	1.1 X	2 X		
Schenley (LDB)	175 (240)	114 (154)			84 (124)	148 (104)	35 (304)	28 (134)	47 (124)	72 (144)	114 (144)	114 (14)	132 (104)	140 (1)	<5 (30)	22 (24)

Sample Site	Jan 2012	April 2012	May 2012	July 2012	Oct 2012
Franklin Bridge	25 (214)		26 (24)	100 (134)	58 (104)
Industrial Waste Plant A			1.5 X		1.3 X
Kennerdel Bridge	23 (214)		5 (14)	80 (134)	75 (134)
Crooked River					
Armstrong Railroad Bridge	8 (214)		36 (24)	80 (134)	117 (104)
Coal Fired Power Plant E				1.2 X	1.2 X
Lock and Dam #8 (RDB)	3 (214)		3 (24)	89 (134)	5 (104)
Kittanning Bridge			1 (24)	70 (134)	125 (104)
Ford City Bridge	7 (274)	5 (114)		8 (104)	106 (104)
Crooked Creek				1.3 X	1.4 X
Schenley (LDB)	30 (274)	60 (114)		105 (134)	153 (14)



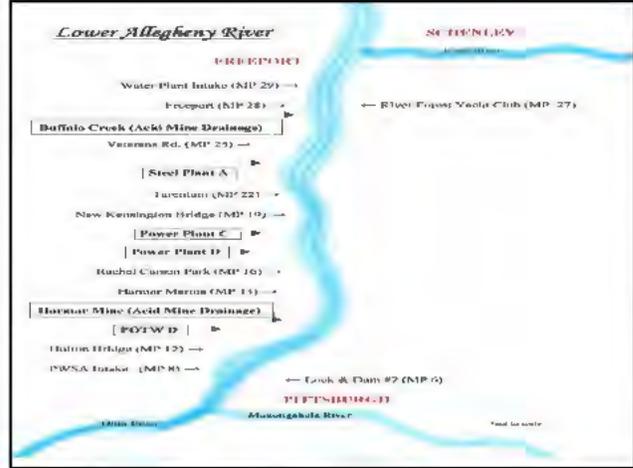
CROOKED CREEK & McKEE RUN														
Bromide Concentration (ppb)														
Sample Site	Oct 2010	Nov 2010	Dec 2010	Jan 2011	Feb 2011	March 2011	April 2011	May 2011	June 2011	July 2011	Aug 2011	Sept 2011	Oct 2011	Dec 2011
McKee Run														
Bridge upstream of Industrial Waste Plant B														
Industrial Waste Plant B														
Crooked Creek														
Blue Spruce Bridge	57 (20h)	39 (25h)	64 (14h)	87 (12h)	37 (17h)	30 (25h)	53 (13h)	53 (12h)	63 (14h)	116 (14h)	114 (1st)	56 (6h)	29 (9h)	56 (6h)
McKee Run	20 X	10 X	9 X	10 X	1.1 X	3 X	3 X	8 X	8 X	27 X	34 X	4 X	17 X	4 X
Crooked Creek														
Bridge St. Bridge	130 (25h)	145 (29h)	63 (14h)	77 (12h)	42 (17h)	111 (28h)	41 (13h)	41 (12h)	240 (14h)	300 (14h)	200 (1st)	214 (6h)	427 (9h)	244 (8h)
St. Hill Rd. Bridge	200 (29h)	467 (29h)	366 (12h)	173 (17h)	24 (25h)	53 (13h)	112 (12h)	230 (14h)	570 (14h)	502 (1st)	425 (6h)	103 (6h)	16 (8h)	167 (20h)

CROOKED CREEK & McKEE RUN				
Bromide Concentration (ppb)				
Sample Site	Jan 2012	Apr 2012	July 2012	Oct 2012
McKee Run				
Bridge upstream of Industrial Waste Plant B	15 (27h)	62 (11h)	56 (16h)	87 (10h)
Industrial Waste Plant B				
Crooked Creek				
Blue Spruce Bridge	15 (27h)	55 (11h)	79 (16h)	104 (10h)
McKee Run	1.9 X	10 X	18 X	10 X
Crooked Creek				
Bridge St. Bridge	29 (27h)	525 (11h)	1446 (19h)	1090 (10h)
St. Hill Rd. Bridge	36 (27h)	205 (11h)	547 (16h)	424 (10h)



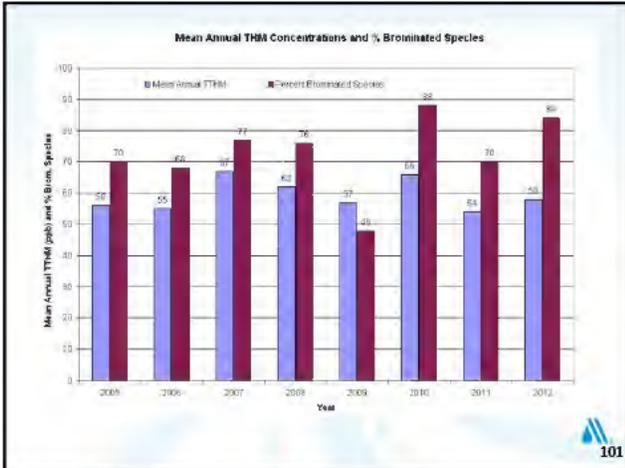
CONEMAUGH RIVER & BLACKLICK CREEK														
Bromide Concentration (ppb)														
Sample Site	Oct 2010	Dec 2010	Jan 2011	Feb 2011	March 2011	April 2011	May 2011	June 2011	July 2011	Aug 2011	Sept 2011	Oct 2011	Nov 2011	Dec 2011
Two Lick Creek														
Neal Rd Bridge									30 (28h)	46 (9h)	33 (8h)	41 (9h)	42 (4h)	23 (28h)
Coal Fired Power Plant F									1.8 X	1.7 X			3 X	
Hoodiebug Tra I (LDG)								151 (30h)	165 (28h)	77 (9h)	31 (8h)	45 (9h)	114 (4h)	27 (28h)
Route 50 Bridge (A magh)	46 (29h)		36 (28h)	-25 (24h)	28 (17h)	19 (8h)	45 (17h)	75 (20h)	116 (28h)	50 (9h)	33 (8h)	40 (9h)	39 (4h)	19 (28h)
Industrial Waste Plant C			1.1 X	9 X	4.3 X	5 X	6 X	21 X	21 X	1.7 X	4 X	1.9 X	1.9 X	1.5 X
Rt 119 Bridge								240 (20h)	64 (9h)	153 (8h)	39 (9h)	482 (4h)	64 (28h)	2 X
Two Lick Creek									24		4 X			
Newport Rd Bridge			951 (28h)	233 (24h)	115 (17h)	67 (8h)	252 (17h)	950 (20h)	1910 (28h)	210 (15h)	47 (9h)	144 (19h)	263 (4h)	45 (28h)
Johns own Railroad Bridge	-53 (28h)	64 (29h)	52 (28h)	-25 (24h)	-25 (17h)	13 (8h)	20 (17h)	32 (20h)	43 (20h)	-25 (15h)	27 (8h)	35 (9h)	-25 (10h)	23 (28h)
POTW B						1.4 X	1.4 X	1.2 X	1.5 X	7 X				
Route 50 Bridge (Johnstown)	-53 (28h)	53 (28h)	57 (28h)	-25 (24h)	-25 (17h)	19 (8h)	29 (17h)	39 (20h)	54 (28h)	169 (15h)	-25 (10h)	-25 (10h)	-25 (4h)	14 (28h)
Coal Fired Power Plants A & B									4 X	6 X	3 X			3 X
Seaward Bridge	-53 (28h)	115 (24h)	61 (28h)	-25 (24h)	-25 (17h)	23 (8h)			234 (28h)	1070 (15h)	230 (10h)	-25 (10h)	-25 (4h)	34 (28h)
Blacklick Creek				3 X	3 X	3 X			3 X				3 X	4 X
Conemaugh Dam Tra I (ROB)				32 (24h)	48 (17h)	63 (8h)	146 (17h)	252 (20h)	637 (28h)	342 (15h)	63 (8h)	115 (19h)	191 (4h)	81 (28h)
Industrial Waste Plant D				4 X		1.9 X	1.9 X	1.2 X	1.1 X	1.5 X	1.2 X	1.1 X	1.1 X	1.1 X
Tunnel Rd Bridge	431 (28h)	337 (28h)	77 (24h)	63 (17h)	73 (8h)	210 (17h)	338 (20h)	711 (28h)	442 (15h)	52 (8h)	131 (19h)	167 (4h)	65 (28h)	

CONEMAUGH RIVER & BLACKLICK CREEK Bromide Concentration (ppb)					
Sample Site	Feb 2012	April 2012	July 2012	Oct 2012	2012
Two Lick Creek	Neal Rd. Bridge	42 (13th)	44 (16th)	44 (19th)	64 (22nd)
	Coal Fired Power Plant F	1.6 X	1.5 X	3 X	1.8 X
	Hoodlbug Trail (LOB)	66 (13th)	68 (16th)	151 (19th)	152 (22nd)
Blacklick Creek	Route 56 Bridge (Armagh)	87 (13th)	73 (16th)	109 (19th)	93 (22nd)
	Industrial Waste Plant C	8 X	11 X	1.2 X	35 X
	Rt. 119 Bridge	678 (13th)	825 (16th)	132 (19th)	3260 (22nd)
Conemaugh River	Newport Rd. Bridge			13 X	
	Johnstown Railroad Bridge	26 (13th)	21 (16th)	29 (19th)	
	POTW B				
	Route 56 Bridge (Johnstown)	29 (13th)	20 (16th)		22 (22nd)
	Coal Fired Power Plants A & B	1.3 X	1.5 X		1.4 X
	Seward Bridge	37 (13th)	30 (16th)	43 (19th)	31 (22nd)
Blacklick Creek		4 X	4 X	12 X	15 X
	Conemaugh Dam Trail (ROB)	132 (13th)	135 (16th)	499 (19th)	475 (22nd)
	Industrial Waste Plant D	1.3 X	1.1 X		1.1 X
	Unmellon Rd. Bridge	172 (13th)	135 (16th)	560 (19th)	508 (22nd)



LOWER ALLEGHENY RIVER Bromide Concentration (ppb)																	
Sample Site	Sept 2010	Oct 2010	Oct 2010	Nov 2010	Dec 2010	Jan 2011	Feb 2011	March 2011	April 2011	May 2011	June 2011	July 2011	Aug 2011	Sept 2011	Oct 2011	Nov 2011	Dec 2011
Water Plant Intake (ROB)	170 (24th)	115 (14th)		72 (30th)	76 (28th)		137 (25th)	30 (14th)	40 (15th)	26 (9th)	90 (21st)	220 (28th)	202 (26th)	124 (11th)	107 (10th)	66 (6th)	64 (5th)
River Forest Yacht Club (LOB)	155 (14th)	96 (11th)	134 (30th)					60 (14th)	44 (13th)	123 (29th)	155 (16th)	144 (11th)	110 (8th)	58 (5th)			
Buffalo Creek (AMD)																	
Veterans Road (ROB)											113 (17th)	150 (18th)	142 (16th)	86 (7th)	72 (6th)	56 (4th)	58 (5th)
Steel Plant A													1.1 X	1.6 X	1.2 X		
Jarvis (ROB)	230 (24th)	158 (15th)	158 (24th)			62 (25th)	34 (15th)	34 (14th)	43 (17th)	112 (17th)	161 (22nd)	221 (19th)	104 (23rd)	69 (7th)	70 (6th)	64 (5th)	
Coal Fired Power Plant C & D				1.2 X				1.2 X				1.2 X					
Rachel Carson Park (ROB)						48 (18th)	34 (14th)	40 (15th)	45 (16th)	116 (17th)	196 (21st)	170 (19th)	79 (6th)	69 (7th)	77 (6th)	85 (7th)	
Hammar Marina (ROB)	230 (24th)	149 (15th)	230 (24th)	180 (24th)	66 (23rd)	122 (27th)	35 (13th)	55 (13th)	43 (13th)	113 (13th)	163 (16th)	176 (16th)	122 (11th)	111 (10th)	67 (5th)	73 (6th)	
Hammar Mine (AMD)																	
POTW D																	
Hulton Bridge (CTR)	230 (24th)	139 (15th)	205 (24th)	191 (24th)	51 (23rd)	126 (27th)	<25 (8th)	49 (13th)	40 (12th)	131 (17th)	164 (16th)	168 (16th)	136 (13th)	102 (10th)	61 (5th)	70 (6th)	
Hulton Bridge (ROB)	210 (24th)	221 (24th)	202 (24th)	63 (23rd)	133 (27th)		<25 (8th)	56 (13th)	42 (11th)	111 (11th)	164 (14th)	141 (9th)	99 (6th)	64 (5th)	70 (6th)		
DWSA Intake (ROB)	220 (24th)	151 (15th)	241 (24th)	204 (24th)	79 (23rd)	130 (27th)	<25 (8th)	49 (13th)	34 (12th)	177 (17th)	172 (16th)	107 (10th)	122 (10th)	63 (5th)	59 (6th)		
Look & Dam #2 (ROB)	230 (24th)	147 (15th)	263 (24th)	213 (24th)	62 (23rd)	141 (27th)	<25 (8th)	52 (13th)	45 (12th)	126 (17th)	161 (16th)	117 (10th)	109 (10th)	56 (5th)	64 (6th)		

LOWER ALLEGHENY RIVER Bromide Concentration (ppb)				
Sample Site	Jan 2012	April 2012	July 2012	Oct 2012
Water Plant Intake (ROB)	33 (31st)	169 (19th)	133 (13th)	165 (15th)
River Forest Yacht Club (LOB)	36 (31st)	159 (19th)	126 (13th)	165 (15th)
Buffalo Creek (AMD)				
Veterans Road (ROB)	32 (27th)		134 (13th)	174 (15th)
Steel Plant A				
Tarentum (ROB)	32 (27th)		135 (13th)	173 (15th)
Coal Fired Power Plants C & D	1.4 X		1.2 X	1.1 X
Rachel Carson Park (ROB)	46 (27th)		161 (13th)	193 (15th)
Hammar Marina (ROB)	32 (31st)	162 (19th)	147 (13th)	161 (15th)
Hammar Mine (AMD)				
POTW D				
Hulton Bridge (CTR)	31 (31st)	155 (19th)	154 (13th)	159 (15th)
DWSA Intake (ROB)	29 (31st)	178 (19th)	129 (12th)	167 (15th)
Look & Dam #2 (ROB)	33 (31st)	177 (19th)	142 (13th)	169 (15th)



- ### Conclusions
- Increased bromide in source water causes elevated TTHM concentrations and increased % contribution of brominated THMs in drinking water
 - Conventional drinking water treatment does not remove bromide from raw water
 - Radionuclides are not elevated in the Allegheny River System
 - Bromide concentrations throughout the Allegheny River vary from <25 - 3900 ppb
 - Bromide concentrations in the Allegheny River at PWSA intake vary from <25 - 299 ppb
 - Bromide increases as water flows downstream

- Bromide concentrations are significantly affected by river volume
- Bromide problems for PWSA are more acute during low river flow conditions
- TDS is not a good indicator for bromide concentrations in the Allegheny River System
- Bromide concentrations increase downstream of industrial wastewater treatment sites
- Bromide concentrations do not increase downstream of most POTWs treating Marcellus Shale wastewater, steel plants, and coal mine drainage sites
- Bromide concentrations increase seasonally downstream of some coal fired power plants. However, the increase is less than observed at industrial wastewater plants

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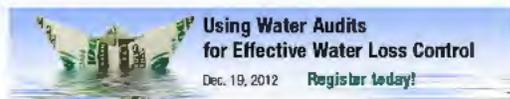
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