

**Wyoming Oil and Gas Conservation Commission  
Supervisor's Report to Commission – Mark Watson  
October 2018**



**APDs:**

The number of APDs received in September 2018 was 2944 which was an increase of 862 from the previous month (2082).

**RIG COUNT:**

According to Drill Info, the rig count report for Oct. 8, 2018 was 44. The rig count according to Baker Hughes on Oct. 8 was 29.

The rig count this time last year count was 23 according to Baker Hughes' historical records.

The busiest county is Converse with 14 rigs (same as last month)

**MONTHLY PRODUCTION:**

Wyoming oil production for July 2018 was 7,248,968 and up approximately 9 percent from July of 2017.

Wyoming gas production for July 2018 was 151,630,009 MCF and down about 1 percent from July 2017.

**BONDS:**

The end of September 2018 bond report is as follows:

Total bond amount was \$201,075,675. Idle wells bond was \$142,601,438 which is approximately 70 percent of the total bond amount.

**FLARE:**

The volume of approved flared gas for July 2018 from 6 wells was 21,413 MCF total.

However, the actual flared volume of gas for the same time period was 3,848 MCF total, which is 18 percent of the approved volume.

There are currently no oil wells flaring in excess of the 60 MCFD limit, in accordance with WOGCC Rule Chapter 3, Section 39(b); that requires Supervisor or Commission approval.

**ORPHAN WELL UPDATE:**

In September, 26 wells were removed from the Orphan Well plugging list. These consist of one 11,090' IGS well in Sweetwater County and 25 CBM wells in Johnson & Campbell Counties, part of the Kuhn Ranch package. Of these 25 Kuhn Ranch wells, 23 were plugged and 2 proposed for conversion to water wells. One IGS well and 52 Kuhn Ranch wells remain to be plugged before year-end.

Lien searches for 290 wells operated by 14 operators were completed.

Thirteen wells (8 fee & 5 State) were added to the Orphan Well plugging list in September as a result of Docket 2885-2018, whereby the Commission pulled bonds of Escalera Resources.

The East Arvada plugging package consisting of approximately 103 CBM wells in Sheridan & Campbell Counties is being finalized and is expected to be put out for bid this month.

The total number of wells removed from the orphan well list for the year to date is 160 with 133 plugged and 27 proposed for conversion to water. (A total of 2,238 wells have been removed from the orphan well list since 2014.) This leaves 3,502 wells to be plugged and abandoned.