

Investing in the Marcellus Shale

Bill Jackson, Dairy Farmer with gas wells on land

I grew up on a farm, and you know, it's just kind of being with nature - I think anybody in agriculture feels like you're stewards of the land, you're, you know, you're here temporary and the land is going to go on long after your gone. You know, this area for years and years and years developed coal, and you know natural gas is just another resource that, you know, basically provides energy for the country. And I think it's here, the technology is here to go get it, and we need to utilize our resources right here. And you know, it's every bit as much a part of the farm as the hay field or the corn field that we see above the surface.

Shawn Clark, Hydraulic Fracturing Specialist

Where the Marcellus is operating is where I wanted to be. I have family around here. I have friends. It's home to me. It's very important for us to protect this place. I mean, it's where we live.

Tim Berdar, Construction Team Lead

I've been here my whole life. I was born in Fayette County and don't want to leave Fayette County. I want to be here forever. As an avid hunter and fisherman I enjoy, you know, using the land and to my benefit and my family's benefit, generation after generation; so that's why I take responsibility in what we do. And the development of Marcellus Shale shows that we can do this - you know, extracting natural gas from the ground safely. And Chevron is a very, very safe company. You know, Chevron is going to set the bar for every shale operator in this area, there's no doubt.

Bruce Niemeyer, Head of Chevron's Marcellus Development

The first thing I do in the morning and the last thing I do at night is think about the things we can do as an organization to make sure that development happens responsibly, and that means making the right choices, thinking about the long term and thinking about leaving the areas in which we operate better tomorrow than they were yesterday.

Steve Kovach, Chevron Employee, Farmer with gas wells on land

Yeah, when we got out of school, everybody went to college and moved away. Nobody stayed here because there was no reason to stay here. But now, I mean you have kids getting out college, getting out of high school that have opportunity because there are jobs here. They can stay here. So if they stay here, it just keeps the community growing.

Natalie Kovach, Chevron Employee, Farmer with gas wells on land

And it's really exciting to be part of this - kind of like being on the new frontier. And we get to be, like, at the very beginning stages of it and follow this amazing ride that's going to happen in our area. So we both feel quite lucky to be part of the company. And it's nice to know that my grandchildren, great-grandchildren, who knows, great-grandchildren will be able to enjoy this farm, this area because of the opportunities we were given and we'll be able to pass on to our children.

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Clara Pascoe, Community Foundation of Fayette County

I think it's a new beginning for southwestern Pennsylvania that has been dormant for 30-some years with nothing happening. It's a very, very exciting time for us. And I think the majority – I can speak for just about everybody in this town, anyway, that we are very excited to have the energy company here. I really feel like Chevron is a great partner to this community.

Tim Berdar, Construction Team Lead

This is where we live. I'm the guy that plows all the neighbors' driveways in the wintertime for free – because this is my community, there's no doubt.

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