



United States Congressman
Henry Cuellar
Representing the 28th District of Texas

Federal Funds for Well Plugging

Creating New Jobs and Protecting the Environment

Methane Emissions Reduction Program

This Environmental Protection Agency program was created by the Inflation Reduction Act to reduce methane and other greenhouse gas emissions from petroleum and natural gas systems. Funds can be used for permanently shutting in and plugging wells.

- Funding Amount: \$1,550,000,000 to remain available until September 30, 2028.

Eligible recipients: States, Counties, Cities/Townships, Special Districts, Territories, Tribal Governments, Institutions of Higher Education, Nonprofits, Small Businesses, Businesses (other than small businesses), and Individuals.

Orphaned Well Site Plugging, Remediation, and Reclamation Programs

The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law provided \$4.7 billion for three new programs at the Department of the Interior:

- \$250 million for wells on federal lands
- \$4.3 billion for wells on state and private lands
- \$150 million for wells on Tribal lands.

Eligible recipients: Federal, State, and Tribal Governments

Funding for Texas

Texas received \$25 million in initial funds in August 2022 and anticipates receiving \$82,563,000 in the first allocation of formula grant funds in 2023.

- Texas is estimated to receive approximately \$218,695,000 in multiple rounds of formula grant funds, for a total amount of \$343,695,000 in federal funding.
- Funds are awarded to the Texas Railroad Commission for its existing State managed Plugging Program.

These funds for oil well plugging will create an estimated 5,000 jobs in Texas.

Federally Funded Orphan Well Plugging in TX-28 (as of 5/23/23)

The following wells have been plugged or are scheduled to be plugged using IJJA funds.

COUNTY	OPERATOR NAME	LEASE NAME	PLUGGED DATE
DUVAL	TRISTAR OIL & GAS	WORDEN-DROUGHT	Friday, February 24, 2023
DUVAL	TRISTAR OIL & GAS	WORDEN-DROUGHT	2/23/2023
DUVAL	TRISTAR OIL & GAS	ROACH, A.S.	
DUVAL	PEREZ, H. F.	ROGERS, RICHARD	5/8/2023
DUVAL	KIBBE, R. E.	KIBBE	4/6/2023
DUVAL	KIBBE, R. E.	KIBBE	
DUVAL	TRI STAR	ROACH	Friday, February 17, 2023
DUVAL	TRI STAR	WORDEN-DROUGHT	1/30/2023
DUVAL	TRI STAR	WIEDERKEHR	2/9/2023
DUVAL	UNKNOWN	SMITH TEMPLE D.	1/24/2023
DUVAL	LEMBCKE OIL & GAS	SOUTHLAND LIFE INS	5/12/2023
DUVAL	TRISTAR OIL & GAS	HORN, T.W.	RIG ON
DUVAL	TRISTAR OIL & GAS	HORN, TIRY M.	
DUVAL	TRISTAR OIL & GAS	HORN, T. W.	
DUVAL	TRISTAR OIL & GAS	HORN, TIRY W.	
STARR	ORPHAN WELLS, LLC	CARRUTH, E.B. JR. TRUST, ET AL	
STARR	PLATINUM OIL & GAS, L.L.C.	GUERRA, V. H. ETAL	
STARR	PLATINUM OIL & GAS, L.L.C.	GUERRA, V.H., ET AL	
STARR	PLATINUM OIL & GAS, L.L.C.	GUERRA, H. P.	
STARR	FALCON PRODUCTION CO.	SALINAS, NICOLAS G.	
STARR	REA OIL & GAS, INC.	SLICK, EARL F. ET AL	
STARR	MOMENTUM PRODUCTION CORP.	RICABY, S. B., ESTATE	4/11/2023
STARR	MOMENTUM PRODUCTION CORP.	PENA, SAMUEL, ET AL	
STARR	MOMENTUM PRODUCTION CORP.	DECKER GU	
WEBB	SEDCO OPERATING, LLC	LAREDO NATIONAL BANK	3/2/2023
WEBB	SEDCO OPERATING, LLC	LAREDO NATIONAL BANK, TRUSTEE	

WEBB	OAKWOOD ENERGY, INC.	ZOCH	3/16/2023
WEBB	RIO GRAND EXPLORATION, LLC	HAIZLIP	
WEBB	OAKWOOD ENERGY, INC.	BRUNI G.U. 1	3/24/2023
WEBB	RIO GRAND EXPLORATION, LLC	HAIZLIP	4/12/2023
WEBB	RIO GRAND EXPLORATION, LLC	HAIZLIP	4/21/2023
ZAPATA	KENDRICK, BARBARA S.	DE LOPEZ, JOSETA M.	3/29/2023
ZAPATA	FRAN INVESTMENTS, INC.	SALINAS, OCTAVIO GAS UNIT	12/15/2022
ZAPATA	MONTECRISTO EXPLORATION, INC.	ALONZO LOPEZ	4/19/2023
ZAPATA	LAS LOMAS SERVICES, LLC	BENAVIDES TRUST	12/9/2022
ZAPATA	MONTECRISTO EXPLORATION, INC.	ALONZO LOPEZ	4/21/2023
ZAPATA	KENDRICK, BARBARA S.	DE LOPEZ, JOSETA M.	3/31/2023
ZAPATA	FRAN INVESTMENTS, INC.	OCTAVIO SALINAS GAS UNIT	12/7/2022
ZAPATA	FRAN INVESTMENTS, INC.	OCTAVIO SALINAS GAS UNIT	12/1/2022

Map of Federally Funded Well Plugging in TX-28

