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Your Comments or Concerns

TCEQ does not monitor gas wells or hold drilling companies accountable in any meaningful way. When they get a report of bad smells and people feeling sick it may take a day or longer for them to respond and whatever noxious emissions were being spewed into the air have, by that time,

dissipated so at that point they can say there was nothing. They allow a huge release of a variety of toxins to begin with then expect the gas companies to self report if they exceed the limits. What a joke! The gas companies do not monitor air quality and neither does TCEQ. I live on the Barnett Shale which is very unfortunate! The poor and brown and black communities are sacrifice zones in Arlington but everyone is effected as there are 350+ gas wells in the city limits so few people live more than a 1/2 mile from a well including 30.000+ children. Tarrant Co has one of the highest rates of childhood asthma in the country.

Your Proposed Solution

TCEQ must actually monitor these sites. Require gas well operators to set up air monitoring equipment that reports actual air quality directly to a data base. There must be oversight by TCEQ because operators are not a reliable source for reporting. The best possible outcome is to shut down urban drilling but since that is not going to happen today actual monitoring and holding operators accountable is sorely needed. As it stands now TCEQ is a friend to gas production not the environment.

My Comments Will Be Made Public

Yes