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Katana Well Decommissioning Project Turner Valley, Alberta Community Update

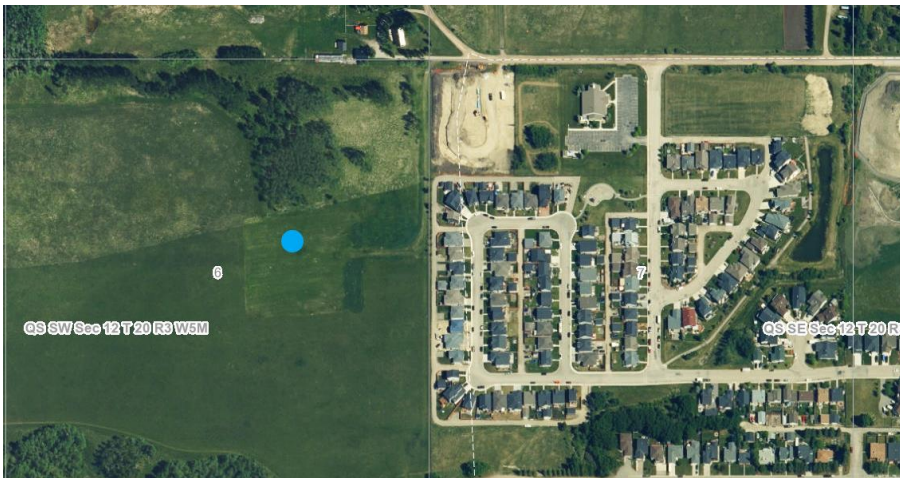
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Katana Well Decommissioning Postponed

The Orphan Well Association's (OWA) decommissioning activities on the Katana Resources British Dominion Well #3 have been postponed. The OWA is re-evaluating its plans for the well, which is located on the north-west edge of Turner Valley (Diamond Valley), Alberta near the Country Meadows subdivision.

This 92-year-old well was turned over to the OWA because trace amounts of natural gas (methane) were found at the wellsite. The well currently poses no risk to the public or the environment.

The OWA completed an initial decommissioning operation on the well in Fall 2021. This initial operation provided the OWA with additional information on the condition of this historic well. It also successfully eliminated gas migration from the well that was coming to surface in a low volume, outside of the wellbore.



The OWA is now discussing technical options for the well with the Alberta Energy Regulatory (AER). The goal is to develop a decommissioning program that has the highest possible chance of success. Based on these discussions with the AER, the OWA hopes to schedule a winter-time program sometime in the future.

The Katana well is releasing less than a cubic metre of sweet gas per day from the surface casing vent (inside the wellbore) and is considered non-serious due to this low rate. This is about the same amount of gas a standard BBQ would use on high for four hours. The gas is coming to surface through the well casing and is not migrating through the soil. The well is very stable and does not present any public health risks.

Once the review with the AER has been completed, the OWA will again communicate with Country Meadows residents and County acreage owners in advance of any future operations at the well.

Questions? – The OWA is committed to on-going communication with members of the local community. If you have questions about this project, contact Dave Marks, Manager – Land, Stakeholder Relations, Support Services with the OWA (403.297.8555).

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