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[ODNR to Announce Shale Production Results Today](#)

Business Journal

The Ohio Department of Natural Resources has scheduled a press event at 2 p.m. today in Columbus to announce long-awaited 2012 production results from ongoing oil and gas development in eastern Ohio's Utica shale. The presentation this afternoon will be streamed live online at www2.ohiodnr.gov and the results will be available online at oilandgas.ohiodnr.gov/production.

[Utica Shale Pipeline Investing-Energy and Capital](#)

Energy and Capital

The Utica Shale is strategically located a few thousand feet under the Marcellus Shale, one of the largest shale spots in the United States. The region encompasses most of Ohio, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, New York, and West Virginia and spreads south into Maryland, Kentucky, Tennessee and north into Ontario, and Quebec.

[Chesapeake awaiting pipelines, processing plants for Utica Shale natural gas](#)

Akron Beacon Journal

Chesapeake Energy Corp. remains convinced that Ohio's Utica Shale will be productive, once needed natural gas pipelines and processing plants are completed. "Processing is really the holdup," Chief Operating Officer Steven Dixon said in the company's first-quarter 2013 operational and financial update.

[Has the Utica Shale Lost Its Allure?](#)

The Motley Fool

I don't think it'd be a stretch to say that the oil and gas industry had big hopes for the Utica, a vast shale rock formation in the Appalachian Basin that stretches as far eastward as New York, though most drilling activity to date has been concentrated in Ohio.

[EQT buys Marcellus, Utica Shale acres from Chesapeake](#)

MarketWatch

Chesapeake earlier this week sold 162,000 Marcellus Shale acres to Southwestern Energy Co. for \$93 million. Analysts considered prices below market trends, claiming Chesapeake, pressured for cash, has had little bargaining power.

[Anadarko offers little information on Utica Shale plans](#)

Akron Beacon Journal

The Utica Shale drew no comments during the teleconference on the company's first quarter 2013 earnings and got scant attention in a related company report. Nine shale plays were listed as getting capital investment in early 2013, but the Utica Shale was not one of them.

[New natural gas pipeline could run from Utica Shale region through Akron area to Detroit, Ontario](#)

Akron Beacon Journal

A large pipeline proposed for transporting natural gas from eastern Ohio's Utica Shale through Detroit and into southern Ontario would run under several communities in the Akron-Canton area.

[Halcon Resources completes first four Utica wells](#)

Akron Beacon Journal

Halcón Resources, a Utica Shale driller, issued their first quarter financial and operational update. With regard to the Utica, the company reports they operated two drilling rigs in Ohio and Pennsylvania (yes, there is Utica in PA too!), drilling and completing four wells in 1Q13.

[EV Energy: Utica acreage at firesale prices](#)

Seeking Alpha

EV Energy Partners (EVEP) has huge upside based on its holdings in the Utica Shale. To recap, EVEP holds the following: 103,800 net working interest acres, currently being marketed and 73,500 additional acres in Ohio and Western Pennsylvania and a 2% average Overriding Royalty Interest on 880,000 acres.

[Crosstex Energy, Inc. invests an additional \\$25 Million in third Utica Shale natural gas compression and condensate stabilization facility](#)

Fort Mills Times

The Corporation will make the investment in E2, a company formed in March 2013 with the former management of Enerven Compression Services to provide services for producers in the liquids-rich window of the Utica Shale play. The Corporation's initial investment commitment in E2 of approximately \$50 million is funding the construction of two similar facilities.

[Gulfport Energy plans to accelerate Utica drilling this year](#)

Canton Repository

Delays in the construction of pipelines and processing plants have put Gulfport Energy's Utica Shale drilling four months behind schedule, but the company plans to accelerate exploration this year.

[Countdown - Top Ohio counties for Utica Shale drilling](#)

Business First of Columbus

About a half dozen Ohio counties are emerging as the hot spots for shale gas activity as drilling companies focus on a narrow corridor running through the heart of eastern Ohio. That shows when you look at a new report from Energy in Depth Ohio, the oil and gas industry group that tracks development in the Utica Shale play. The report provides an updated list of drilling permits issued by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources.

[Crestwood, Inergy sign agreement to form \\$7bn midstream company in US](#)

Inergy, L.P.

Crestwood Midstream Partners, Crestwood Holdings, Inergy and Inergy Midstream have signed definitive agreements to establish a fully integrated midstream company at about \$7bn. The synergy of Crestwood and Inergy companies is expected to provide a diverse platform of midstream assets that will offer services in premier shale plays in North America, including the Marcellus Shale, Bakken Shale, Eagle Ford Shale, and Permian Basin.

[Rhino Resource announces Q1 result](#)

CoalGuru

Mr. Dave Zatezalo President and CEO of Rhino's general partner, stated that "We delivered positive cash flow during the quarter despite the ongoing price weakness and lower volumes in both the met and steam coal markets. We expect cash flow from our Utica Shale joint venture investment to ramp up as takeaway capacity comes on line in the next few months.

Chesapeake Pumps More Oil, Earnings Spike

Wheeling Intelligencer

In the Ohio Utica Shale, where Chesapeake recently opened field offices at Fox Commerce Park in St. Clairsville, the driller is now operating 14 rigs. The company has already drilled 249 wells, with 66 of these producing and 86 waiting on pipeline connections.

Oil and gas officials tackle obstacles, solutions

Coshocton Tribune

Company leaders raised concerns during a roundtable meeting with Ohio Treasurer Josh Mandel.

This Major Oil Field Has Been Disappointing

The Motley Fool

Energy companies in search of the oil and natural gas basin of the future thought they struck black gold in the Utica Shale that extends underneath most of Ohio and western Pennsylvania. Much to their chagrin, the oily future of this play has appeared to be drier than many thought.

Research phase of oil, gas drilling begins to dry up in Trumbull County

Youngstown Vindicator

As Trumbull County has moved into the drilling phase of its Utica Shale play, another phase - title research - appears to be trailing off. Locals learned of the economic potential of the Utica Shale play in Eastern Ohio about two years ago. Not long afterward, title researchers started to swamp county courthouses in Columbiana, Mahoning and Trumbull counties.

Consol to direct its energy toward gas production, CEO says

Pittsburgh Post Gazette

Consol's growing presence in Pennsylvania's Marcellus Shale and Ohio's Utica Shale will be funded in part through the selling or restructuring of other elements of its portfolio, such as its barge or pipeline businesses.

Youngstown Anti-fracking Amendment Rejected

Shale Gas Reporter

According to the Youngstown Vindicator, an anti-fracking charter-amendment on the ballot was rejected by voters 57 percent to 43 percent. The amendment, known as the "Community Bill of Rights," would have prohibited fracking inside city limits.

[Kasich frack tax would 'close the window' on expanded Utica shale](#)

The Utica Shale

John Kasich's bid to raise severance taxes on drilling operations could stall development of the Utica Shale play beyond the activity now being seen in a sweet spot for wet gases such as ethane and propane in eastern Ohio.

[Dominion to build out gas processing capacity in Utica Shale](#)

CNBC

Dominion Resources will add more natural gas processing capacity to allow more gas to flow into the populous U.S. Northeast and Midwest from the oil and gas rich Utica Shale in Ohio. The company, as part of its \$1.5 billion Blue Racer Midstream joint venture with Caiman Energy II, LLC, will add two more gas processing plants to the one already expected online in May.

[April 2013 Utica Shale Permits Issued in Ohio](#)

SlideShare

A portion of the data from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources showing Utica Shale permits issued in April 2013, indicating where (county and township) and who (operator).

[A Clear Majority of Ohioans Support Utica Shale Development](#)

Energy In Depth

Ohio has already seen significant economic benefits - like the creation of 38,000 jobs - from Utica Shale development with only 80 producing wells. At the same time, since Utica Shale development began just two years ago over 200 wells have been drilled without a single environmental violation among the operators developing Ohio's Utica Shale wells.

[Chesapeake Energy has drilled 249 Utica shale wells](#)

Akron Beacon Journal

Utica Shale (eastern Ohio, Pennsylvania, West Virginia): Chesapeake is currently operating 14 rigs in the Utica Shale play. As of March 31, 2013, Chesapeake had drilled a total of 249 wells in the Utica, which included 66 producing wells, 86 additional wells waiting on pipeline connection and 97 wells in various stages of completion.

[Quality Distribution announce affiliation plan for Marcellus, Utica Shale](#)

Yahoo! Finance

The company announced its plan to affiliate its Energy Logistics trucking operations in the Marcellus and Utica regions. Three current company-operated terminals will be converted to affiliated operations.

[EnerVest ponders direction with Utica Shale - Canton, OH](#)

Canton Repository

The company has opted to sell most of its Utica Shale leases instead of drilling into the potentially lucrative formation. More than likely a company drilling the Utica formation soon will claim the status of Ohio's leading oil and gas producer. EnerVest had grown to be Ohio's largest oil and gas producer, then companies began developing the Utica Shale.

[Infrastructure Bottlenecks Slow Utica Shale Flow](#)

Business Journal

The lack of midstream infrastructure in the Utica Shale in Ohio is drawing the attention of national news organizations, as questions are raised as to whether the play will be as lucrative as first speculated.

[Tapping the Utica Shale: 'It really is all here'](#)

Canton Repository

When Chesapeake's complex is finished, it will have a five-story office building, silos, a maintenance facility and employ 400 workers in the company's Utica Shale drilling operations. For now, it's mostly a gravel parking lot for the heavy equipment.

[Chesapeake Energy starts production at 13 more wells in Ohio's Utica Shale play](#)

Business First of Columbus

Even as Chesapeake Energy Corp. awaits much-needed infrastructure in the Utica Shale play, it's maintaining an enormous growth outlook in the area covering eastern Ohio, Pennsylvania and parts of West Virginia.

[Midstream is next step in Utica Shale development](#)

Massillon Independent

Building pipelines and processing facilities is the next step in developing Ohio's Utica Shale formation. The process is in full swing at different sites around eastern Ohio, but it has put a crimp in Utica Shale development.

[Chesapeake Energy posts profit; Utica production on track](#)

Canton Repository

Chesapeake Energy Corp. still expects to hit year-end goals for Utica Shale oil and natural gas production even as it waits for pipelines and processing plants to be constructed. The Oklahoma City based driller released its results for the first quarter, including a \$15 million profit. The company posted a first-quarter loss of \$71 million last year.

[Utica Shale: By The Numbers For April](#)

Energy In Depth Ohio

Building on strong numbers from the first quarter of 2013, Utica Shale development in the second quarter of 2013 has been taking off in Ohio.

[PDC Energy Announces 2013 First Quarter Results](#)

PDC Energy

PDC Energy, Inc. reported its 2013 first quarter financial and operating results. Production from continuing operations for the first quarter of 2013 increased 19% to 18,500 barrels of oil equivalent ("BOE") per day from 15,593 BOE per day for the first quarter of 2012.

[Shale deals in Pennsylvania reach \\$882 million](#)

Pittsburgh Post Gazette

Mergers, acquisitions and partnerships that happened across Appalachia's gas fields were enough to make the Marcellus Shale and the Utica Shale the country's second and third most popular formations for big-ticket deals in the first quarter of 2013.

[Port Authority joins shale marketing effort to bring brokers, jobs](#)

Zanesville Times Recorder

Only a handful of Utica Shale drill sites have been identified in Muskingum County, but the Zanesville-Muskingum County Port Authority is hoping to change that and bring more jobs to the area in the process.

[Ohio approves two forced pooling requests in Trumbull County](#)

Akron Beacon Journal

The Ohio Department of Natural Resources recently issued two new "unitization" (or forced pooling) orders, bringing the total number of unitizations to four that they've issued in the Utica Shale. Both of the new orders were issued on behalf of BP America Production Company and

both were in Trumbull County.

[Judge tosses Patriot lawsuit](#)

Trib Today

Ohio's Court of Claims has sided with the Ohio Department of Natural Resources and dismissed a lawsuit in which Patriot Water Treatment Co. was seeking more than \$3 million in damages. The lawsuit stemmed from Patriot's accusation that the Ohio Department of Natural resources hid and destroyed public records requested by Patriot.

[Foreign investors play large role in U.S. shale industry](#)

Today In Energy

Investment in shale plays in the United States totaled \$133.7 billion between 2008 and 2012, as part of 73 deals. Joint ventures by foreign companies accounted for 20% of these investments. The rest of the investments were either part of outright acquisitions, such as the Australian BHP Billiton oil company's acquisition of Petrohawk Energy Corp. or were joint ventures among American companies (such as Hess and Noble Energy with Consol Energy) and financial institutions.

[Antero mulls IPO later this year](#)

Upstream

Denver based Antero Resources is reportedly preparing for an initial public offering that could value the onshore explorer at as much as \$10 billion.

[Gulfport Energy Corporation Reports First Quarter 2013 Results](#)

Gulfport Energy

Gulfport Energy Corporation reported financial and operating results for the first quarter of 2013 and provided an update on its 2013 activities.

