

The Role of Oil and Gas Industry in Ground Water Conservation

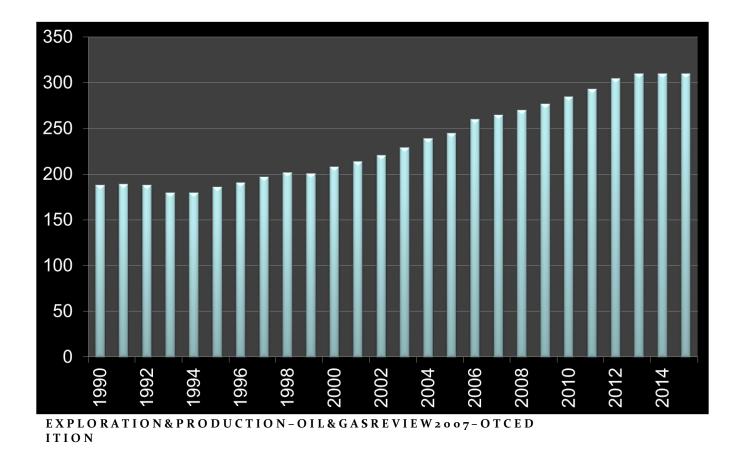
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• How much water was produced with oil and gas worldwide?

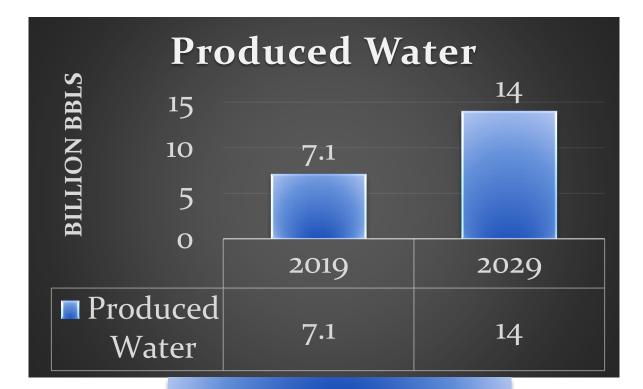
115,000,000,000 BBLs In GCC



Produced Water Forecast (MM BBL/D)



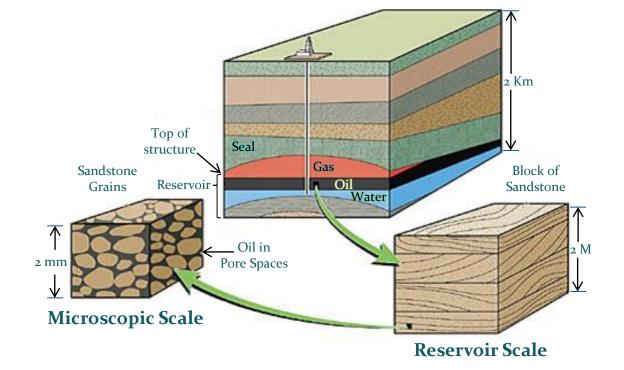
Produced Water In GCC



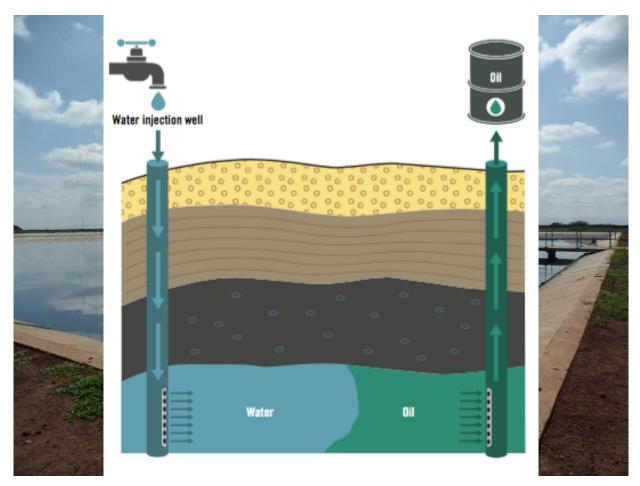
15-25 GWH

Subsurface Water

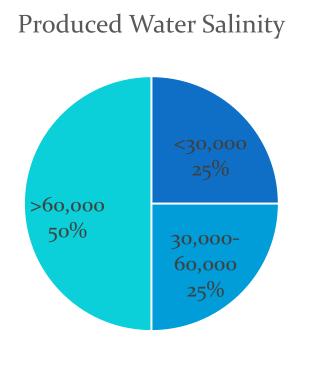
- Water naturally underlies oil in the reservoir, lifting oil and gas from oil-bearing formations
- Gas rises above oil layer
- Natural reservoir pressure will initially drive oil production
- Later, water is injected to maintain reservoir pressure and move oil toward production wells



What Do We Do With It?



Produced Water Characteristics



Oil Greases

- Free Oil
- Dissolved Hydrocarbon

Dissolved Solids

- Calcium Carbonate
- Calcium Sulfate
- Iron Sulfide
- Barium
- Strontium

Fresh Water Consumption in Oil and Gas Operations



Figure 1: Project Trends in Water Consumption

Fresh Water Uses in Oil and Gas

Primary Recovery

Secondary EOR

Crude Washing

Fracking Operations

Oil and Gas and Water Industries

Oil and. Gas Industry

- Washing Crude (desalting)
- Hydraulic Fracking Operations
- Reservoir Pressure
- Utilities

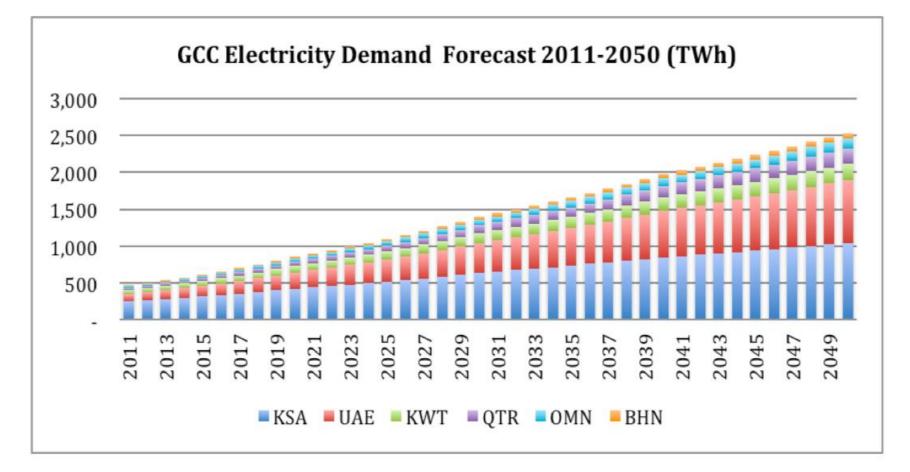
Water Industry

• Desalination

Water Desalination in GCC

	Number of Desalination Plants	Capacity (Gl per day)	% Share of the world capacity
KSA	128	12.5	17%
UAE	98	9.5	12%
кwт	24	1.7	4%
QTR	13	1.9	2%
OMN	19	1.6	2%
BHN	12	1.4	2%

GCC Electricity Demand



Oil and Gas Industry Role

Reduce Fresh Water Consumption

Treat Produced Water for Alternative Uses

Produced Water Desalination

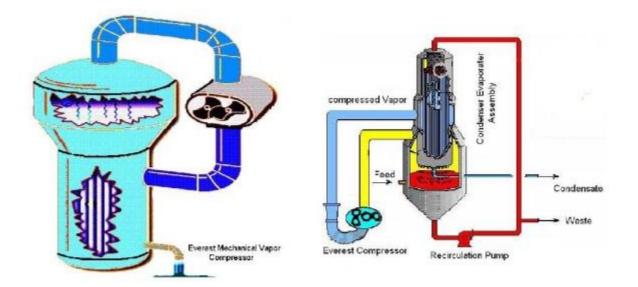


Fig. 4: TYPICAL MECHANICAL VAPOR RECOMPRESSION CYCLE

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Potential Uses of Produced Water

- Irrigation
- Desalination
- Cooling Water
- Fresh Water

Path Forward

Minimize/ eliminate the use of fresh water in oil and gas operations

Continue R&D in Produced Water Desalination Technologies

Explore Reuse of Recycled Water Potential Applications

Water and Oil & Gas Industries Collaborations

Thank You