# Williams Fork, Piceance Basin: Flowback Water Reuse – Quality and Quantity

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### Williams Fork, Piceance Basin Water Strategy Presentation Outline

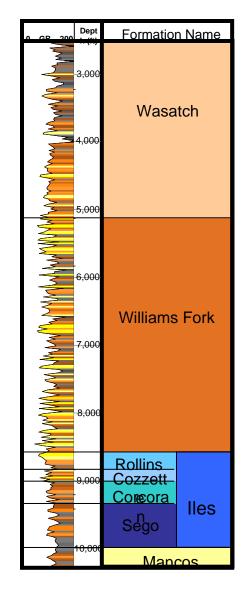
**Piceance Overview** 

- Geology and Fracturing Necessities
- Current Water Quality and Infrastructure
- Source Inflow Volumes of Water
- Outflows of Water

### **Piceance Basin – Williams Fork**

#### Geology

- Overpressure Reservoir
- 3000' Vertical Section
- Shale, Sandstone, Coal Deposition
- Avg Porosity 6%
- Avg Permeability 7µD
- Avg Water Saturation 65%
- Frac Gradient 0.5-0.75 psi/ft
- Frac Characteristics
  - Highly Naturally Fractured
  - High-Perm Formation Created When Hydraulically Fractured



## Why Produced Water

#### Formation Needs

- Proppant
  - High Perm Fractured Environment
  - Low/No Proppant
- Gels
  - Cause Damage to Formation
  - Not Needed For Proppant Transport
  - Not Needed For Fracture Height Growth
- Water
  - Clay Swelling Not an Issue
  - Very Little Fines Migration
  - Compatibility

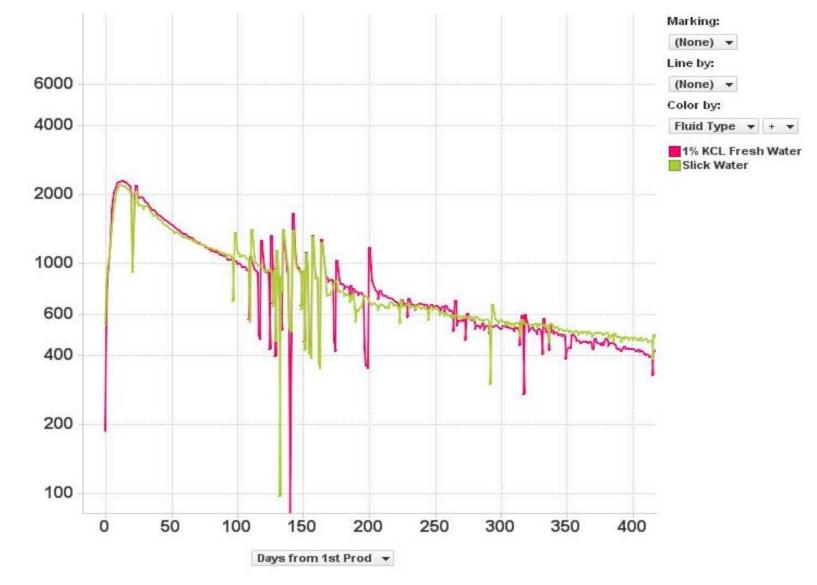
Example: Fracturing Fluid Composition

### "Slickwater" fracturing fluid

- Water: 98.9% to 99.2% (average 100,000 bbl/well)
- Sand (proppant): 0.7% to 1%
- •Other additives (combined): <0.09%

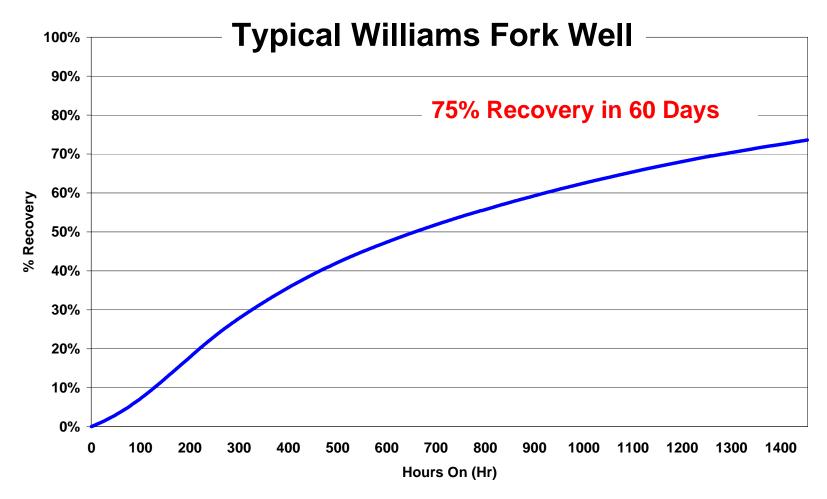
 Fluid and water flowed back is either recycled and used as frac fluid (reducing fresh water usage) or disposed of in permitted injection wells

# Fresh vs Produced Water Study



Avg(GAS) + +

### **Flowback Water Recovery**

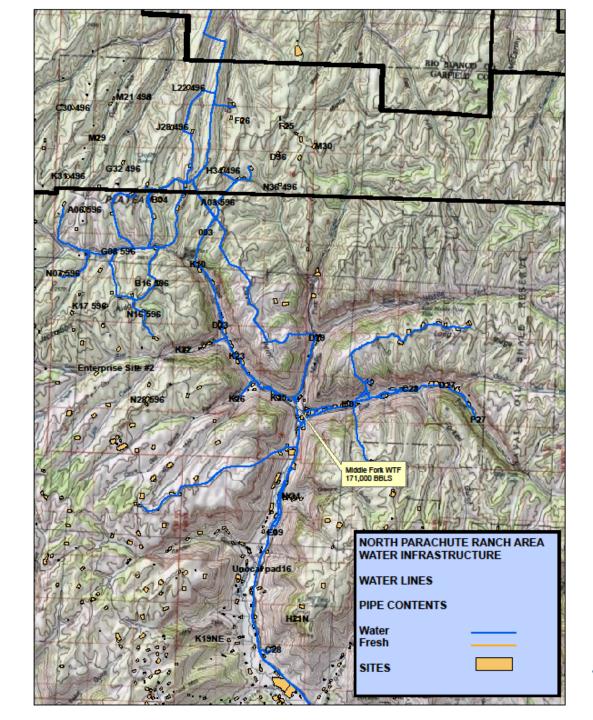


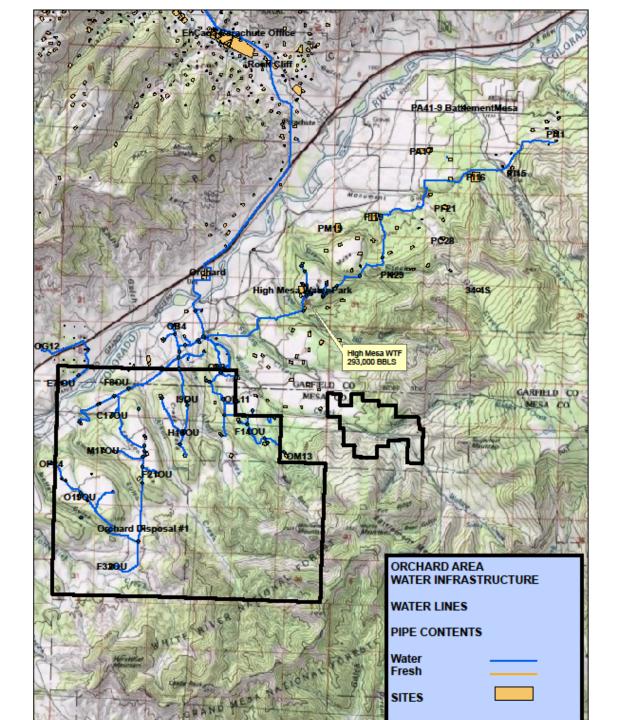
• 100% Recovery over Life of Well

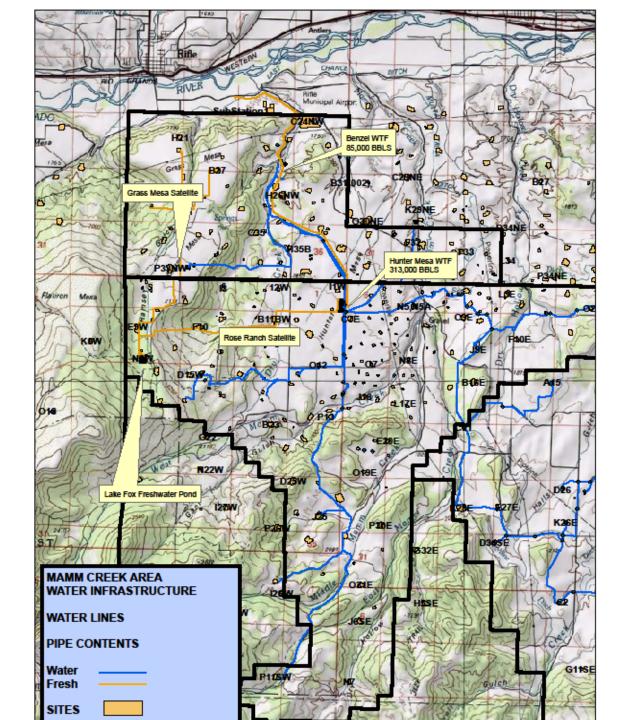
# Piceance Basin Water Strategy Water Recycling Composition

- North and South Piceance operations are interconnected
- Produced and flowback water taken to central water facility by pipeline (where available) or water truck
- Water is treated for reuse
  - Solids, iron and hydrocarbon levels decreased
  - Stored in tanks or large facility ponds
  - Water is chemically treated for scaling and to break emulsions
- Water reused in completions operations
  - Transport by pipeline or truck, within geologic basin
  - Disposal minimized where possible
- On average 90% 95%, of the water used in Piceance operations is recycled; the balance is fresh water used in drilling









# Piceance Basin Water Strategy Current Infrastructure (estimates)

Hunter Mesa Water Treatment Facility

- 40 miles of connected pipeline
- 2 high pressure pumps
- 310,000 bbl storage pond (13 million gallons ~ 40 acre-ft)

#### **Benzel Water Treatment Facility**

- 4 Miles of connected pipeline
- 85,000 bbl storage pond (3.6 million gallons ~ 11 acre-ft)

#### High Mesa Water Treatment Facility

- 40 miles of connected pipeline
- 1 high pressure pumps
- 208,000 bbl storage pond (8.7 million gallons ~ 27 acre-ft)

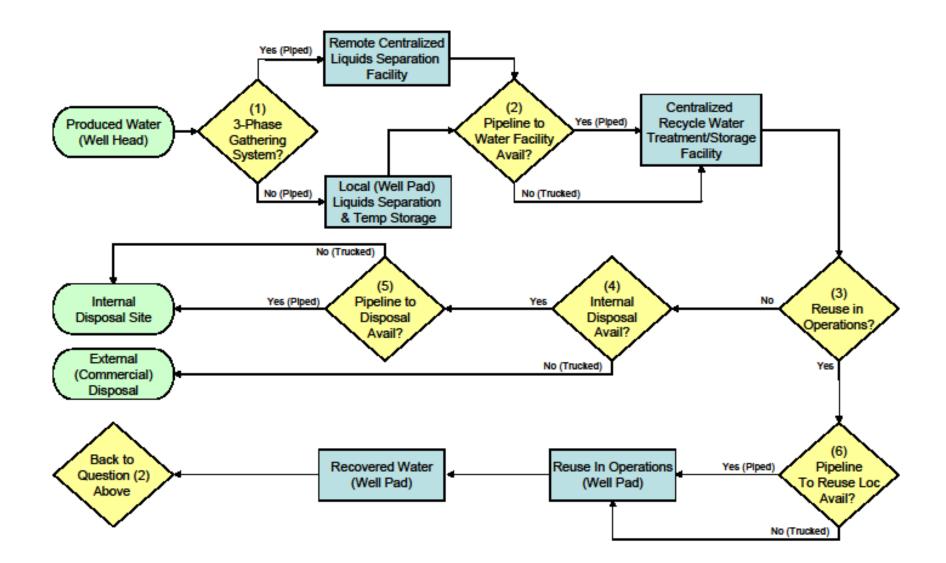
#### Middle Fork Water Facility

- 17 miles connected pipeline
- 4 high pressure pumps
- 217,000 bbl storage pond (9.1 million gallons ~ 28 acre-ft)



#### Piceance Produced Water Process Flowchart





# Water Quality & Treatment Typical Water Treatment Facility in the Industry

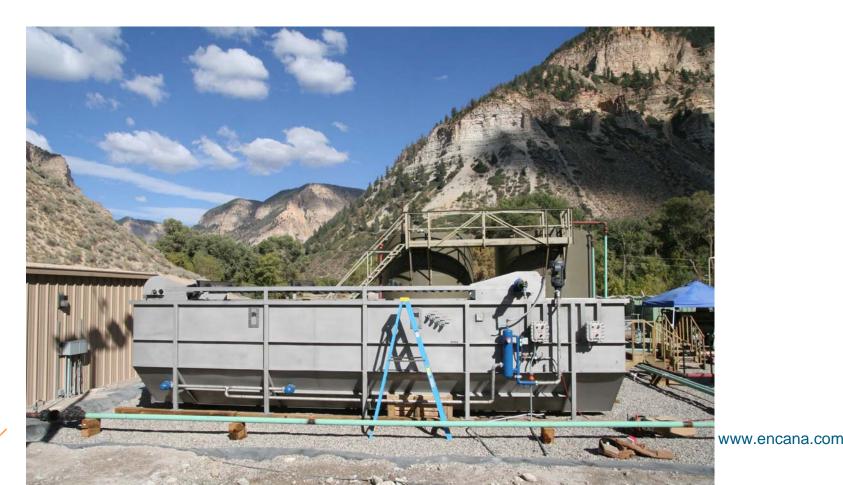
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# Piceance Water Basin Strategy Secondary Water/Condensate/Solids Separation

- Dissolved Air Flotation Solids and hydrocarbon removal step
- Oil/Water Separator Hydrocarbon removal step



# Piceance Basin Challenges & Opportunities Dissolved Air Flotation Results



75% Iron Reduction 90% Solids Reduction50% BOD Reduction





80% Hydrocarbon Reduction

### Questions?

