



### Report Released on Horn River Basin Activity

FORT ST. JOHN — The BC Oil and Gas Commission (Commission) has released a report providing an update on oil and gas activities in the Horn River Basin in northeast British Columbia.

The Horn River Basin Status Report for 2009/10 provides an overview and analysis of oil and gas permitting, operational activities, stewardship and First Nations consultation in the basin. It is one component of an initiative to manage the province's major plays on a basin-wide level, wherein Resource Development Units, comprised of surface and subsurface specialists, apply tactical strategies toward sound and responsible development.

The Horn River Basin is a shale gas play that spans approximately 1.1 million hectares, and contains an estimated 500 trillion cubic feet (TCF) of natural gas. While interest and activity in the basin increased in past years, the report details that impact on the land base has been minimal. Technology – such as horizontal drilling and hydraulic fracturing – combined with progressive management through the Resource Development Unit and Horn River Basin Producers Group has limited oil and gas disturbance to less than one per cent of the entire basin area.

Read the report at [www.ogc.gov.bc.ca](http://www.ogc.gov.bc.ca).

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