

Fracking

Together, oil and gas operators reported using about 1.5 trillion gallons of water since 2011, much of it from aquifers, the Times found.

Fracking a single oil or gas well can now use as much as 40 million gallons of water or more.

These mega fracking projects, called “monster fracks” by researchers, have become the industry norm.

They barely existed a decade ago. Now they account for almost two out of every three fracking wells in Texas, the Times analysis found.

New York Times, September 25, 2023