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Dear Members of the Environmental Quality Board:

I agree with the recommendation by the EQB to update the existing requirements regarding the drilling, casing, cementing, testing, monitoring and plugging of oil and gas wells, and the protection of water supplies.

The benefits of updating the existing rules are as follows:

- a) Homes and property owners will be provided more protection
- b) Better and more protection of water sources, both public and private
- c) Early detection of construction problems and more reporting will increase safety and protection of human health and the environment
- d) Less chance of natural gas escaping the well (gas migration)
- e) Provide specific steps for responding to an emergency

Please take these issues seriously.