

# After a Decade in the Making, Private Property Rights Win in Ohio



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PROPERTY**



Ohio's General Assembly creates the Oil and Gas Leasing commission vesting authority for leases with the Commission rather than the Ohio Department of Administrative Services.



The Ohio House version of the 2022-23 state budget includes language to "promote" oil and gas development, including adding provisions to make it easier to lease mineral rights under state lands.



Governor Kasich appoints members to the commission, over five years after the statutory deadline for doing so.



Ohio Legislature passes HB 507, allowing for the safe development of oil and natural gas under the surface of state-owned lands.



Governor Mike DeWine signs HB 507 into law, opening opportunity for landowners and taxpayers to reap millions in benefits.



Commission meets and activists call for longer public comment.



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## Public Entities Reap Benefits of Oil and Gas Development; Poised to Benefit Even More



### Schools

- Carrollton Village Schools in Carroll County builds new training center for students. School officials attribute growth to the oil and gas boom. [OhioSE.com](http://OhioSE.com)
- Union Local Schools in Belmont County plans to use its gas-tax income on new heating and cooling systems and security upgrades. [Columbus Dispatch](http://Columbus Dispatch)
- East Guernsey Local Schools in Guernsey County gives green light to an oil and gas lease with Encino Energy "bringing much welcomed revenue to the district." [YourRadioPlace](http://YourRadioPlace)



### Lakes/Parks

- Fracking partnership with Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District a national model, with the District reinvesting over \$150 million in community upgrades, infrastructure, water quality, and park and lake conservation. [Times Leader](http://Times Leader)



### County Affairs

- Jefferson County benefits from gas drilling with revenue split among school districts, townships, and other taxing districts, such as the county developmental disabilities board. [Herald Star](http://Herald Star)



### Scholarships

- Ohio University announces new fund for scholarships, student success initiatives, and experiential learning opportunities for students from Ohio's Appalachian counties, funded through revenue generated by unitization of mineral rights on St. Clairsville campus. [Ohio.Edu](http://Ohio.Edu)



### Bills/Reports

- NARO-Ohio highlights importance of HB 507's provision "allowing 30 percent of all oil and gas related income to go back to the State lands being leased." [EID](http://EID)
- A [new report](#) by JobsOhio and Cleveland State University shows that since the beginning of the Shale revolution in 2011, the natural gas and oil industry has invested nearly \$100 billion into the Buckeye State. [Report](#)

**FACT**

If we assume the 41,697 acres owned by Ohio Department of Transportation and the Ohio Department of Natural Resources were developed, that acreage alone could mean up to **\$160 million in bonus payments for the state.**

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