# Severance Taxes and the Permanent Fund 

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## New Mexico's oil and gas industry affects state revenues in many ways.





## Severance Taxes on Oil and Gas Production

| Taxes on Oil | Net Price of Oil (\$/bbl) |  |  | Goes to the general fund with exceptions. |  |  |
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|  | Under \$15 | \$15 to \$18 | Over \$18 |  |  |  |
| Oil and Gas Emergency SchoolTax ${ }^{1}$ | 1.58\% | 2.36\% | 3.15\% |  |  |  |
| Oil and Gas Severance Tax ${ }^{2}$ | $1.88 \%$ | 2.81\% | 3.75\% |  | STBF |  |
| Subtotal | 3.46\% | 5.17\% | 6.90\% |  |  |  |
| Oil and Gas Conservation Tax | 0.19\% | 0.19\% | 0.19\% | General fund |  |  |
| Production Ad Valorem Tax | 1.04\% | 1.04\% | 1.04\% | $\longleftarrow \longleftarrow \begin{aligned} & \text { Distributed to local } \\ & \text { taxing districts } \end{aligned}$ |  |  |
| Production Equipment Ad Valorem Tax | 0.14\% | 0.14\% | 0.14\% |  |  |  |
| Total | 4.83\% | 6.54\% | 8.27\% |  |  |  |
| The Severance Tax is distributed to the severance tax bonding fund to be used for capital outlay. Any remaining funds are transferred to the permanent fund. | Taxes on Natural Gas |  |  | Net Price of Natural Gas (\$/mcf) |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Under \$1.15 | \$1.15 to \$1.35 | Over \$1.35 |
|  |  | Gas Emerg | School Tax ${ }^{1}$ | 2.00\% | 3.00\% | 4.00\% |
|  | Oil | Gas Severa | Tax ${ }^{2}$ | 1.88\% | 2.81\% | 3.75\% |
|  |  |  | Subtotal | 3.88\% | 5.81\% | 7.75\% |
|  | Oil | Gas Conser | on Tax | 0.19\% | 0.19\% | 0.19\% |
|  | Prod | tion Ad Val | Tax | 0.88\% | 0.88\% | 0.88\% |
|  |  | tion Equipm | Ad Valorem | 0.15\% | 0.15\% | 0.15\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 5.10\% | 7.03\% | 8.97\% |

The severance tax is linked to the general fund through the severance tax permanent fund's annual distributions.


## Oil Price Outlook

- Oil prices are inherently volatile and dependent on oil demand, inventory levels, OPEC+ decisions, and other factors.


## Moody's WTI Price Forecast (2022Q2 to 2052Q4)

IHS WTI Price Forecast (2022Q2 to 2052Q4)
Rystad Energy WTI Price Forecast (2022Q2 to 2040Q4)


Source: Moody's Analytics, IHS Markit, Rystad Energy

## Oil Production Outlook

- Remaining years of drilling at current pace in Tier 1 are estimated at just over 10 years
- Remaining years of drilling at July's pace in Tier 1 and Tier 2 are estimated between 10-15 years

Remaining years of drilling in Tier 1 and Tier 2 acreage at 2022E pace Number of years

*Excludes Tier 1 potential from currently unleased acreage and future down-spacing programs
Source: Rystad Energy UCube, Rystad Energy ShaleWellCube, Rystad Energy research and analysis

## National Production Outlook

US Crude Oil Production IHS Forecast (2022Q2 to 2052Q4)

—IHS May 2022 Baseline ....... IHS May 2022 Baseline

Source: IHS Markit


- IHS and Moody's analytics forecast peak U.S. oil production in 6-10 years


## New Mexico's Oil Production Outlook

## NM Crude Oil Production Forecast (CY 2022 to 2050) NM Natural Gas Forecast (CY 2022 to 2040)



# What would these scenarios mean for general fund revenues? 



## SIC Presentation

## How do the scenarios change the outlook?

Scenario 1: Instead of 5-year average transfers, transfer excess revenues (>FY23) to the STPF.

## Scenario 1 - Outcome of Scenario 1-General Fund Revenue <br> (Oil and Gas School Tax, Federal Mineral Leasing, and STPF

 Distributions)

■ Scenario 1 - STPF Distribution (invest OGAS amounts above FY23)

- School Tax \& FML to General Fund - FY23 Level

Source: LFC Analysis and SIC Scenario

## How do the scenarios change the outlook?

Scenario 2: Instead of 5-year average transfers, transfer excess revenues ( $>\mathrm{FY} 24$ ) to the STPF.


Source: LFC Analysis, Moody's, IHS Markit, Rystad

## Scenario 2 - Outcome of Scenario 2 - General Fund Revenue

(Oil and Gas School Tax, Federal Mineral Leasing, and STPF Distributions)


- Scenario 2 - STPF Distribution (invest OGAS amounts above FY24)
- School Tax \& FML to General Fund - FY24 Level

Source: LFC Analysis and SIC Scenario

## QUESTIONS?

