

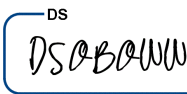
# RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS

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**INTERNAL**  
OIL AND GAS DIVISION  
DAVID LINDLEY  
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, OIL AND GAS DIVISION

## MEMORANDUM

TO: Chairman Christi Craddick  
Commissioner Wayne Christian  
Commissioner Jim Wright

THROUGH: Wei Wang, Executive Director   
Danny Sorrells, Assistant Executive Director  
Director, Oil and Gas Division

FROM: David Lindley, Assistant Director  
Field Operations

DATE: October 15, 2024

SUBJECT: Oil Field Cleanup Program Quarterly Status Report, Fiscal Year 2024, 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter

**Well Plugging:** The 4th quarter performance for State-Managed Plugging includes 250 wells plugged with a total expenditure of \$3,750,081 using Oil and Gas Regulation and Cleanup (OGRC) funds. An additional 154 wells were plugged with a total expenditure of \$3,409,282 using grant funds from several federal agencies. The largest grant is the from the U.S. Department of the Interior from the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA). This includes wells that have been physically plugged, invoiced by the plugging contractor, and approved for payment by Field Operations. Additionally, during the 4th quarter Field Operations approved 224 wells for plugging. A total of 1,490 wells were physically plugged through the end of the 4th quarter, of which, 1,256 have been invoiced and paid. The actual wells plugged and expenditure by district for fiscal years 2023 and 2024 and the well plugging goals by district for fiscal year 2024 are shown on the attached graphs. The fiscal year 2024 budget consists of \$32,376,854.61 in state funds and \$74,795,836 of available federal funds. The federal funds are multi-year grants that are anticipated to be spent in FYs 2025 and 2026.

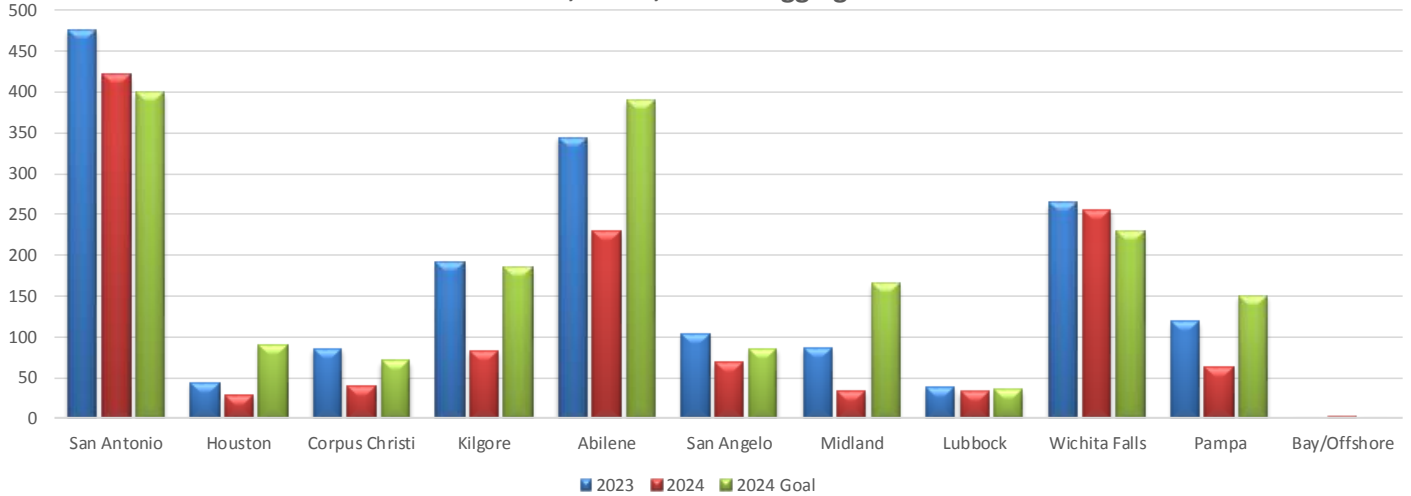
**Site Remediation:** The 4th quarter performance for Site Remediation includes 163 cleanup activities completed with a total expenditure of \$7,986,647.48 using OGRC funds, and 6 activities completed with a total expenditure of \$175,836.31 using Grant Funds. Additionally, during the 4th quarter 35 cleanup activities were authorized for cleanup with State funds. Through the end of the 4th quarter, Site Remediation has completed and formally closed a total of 417 cleanup activities using OGRC funds and IIJA grant funds. The actual remediation activities and expenditure by district for fiscal years 2023, and 2024 and the goals for the Site Remediation activities by district for fiscal year 2024 are shown on the attached graphs. The fiscal year 2024 budget includes \$12,000,000.00 of OGRC funds for cleanups, and another \$1,500,000.00 of OGRC funds for assessments. An additional \$60,000 of 128a grant funds and \$64,233 in IIJA grant funds are available for Brownfield activities, and \$1,178,794.00 of IIJA funds through the National Park Service (NPS) are available for cleanups in the Big Thicket National Park.

Per Texas Natural Resources Code Sec. 81.069 (b) financial information regarding the Oil and Gas Regulation and Cleanup Fund is attached.

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Attachments:

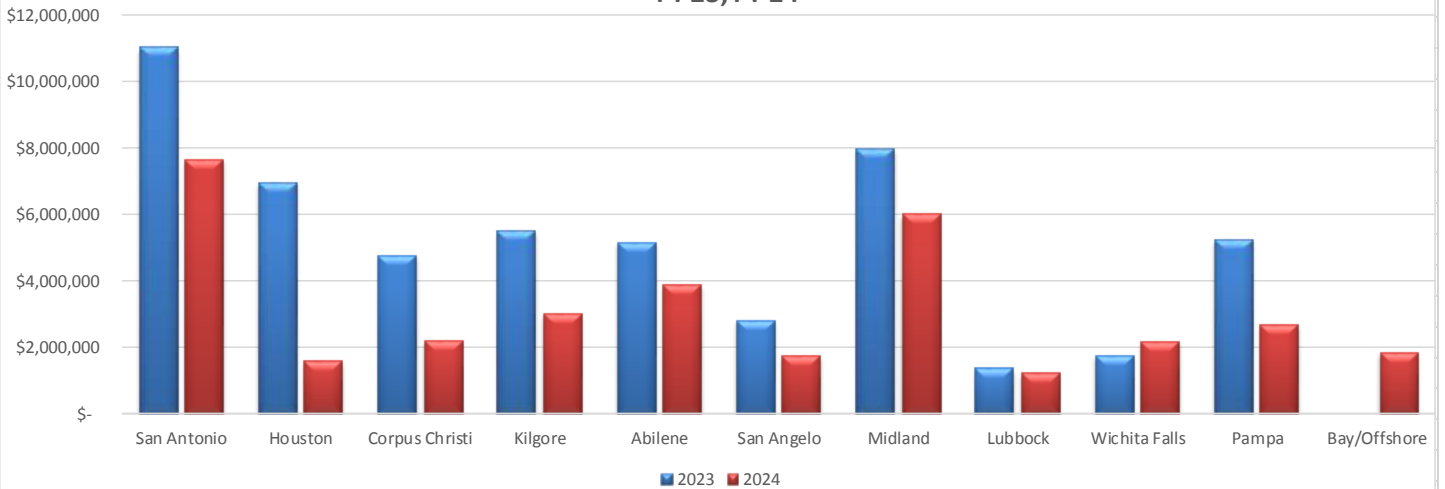
cc Wei Wang, Executive Director  
Danny Sorrells, Director, Oil & Gas Division  
Peter G. Pope, P.G., Manager, Site Remediation

**Oil Field Cleanup Program  
State Managed Plugging  
4th Quarter FY 2024  
Wells Plugged  
FY 23 , FY 24 , FY 24 Plugging Goal**

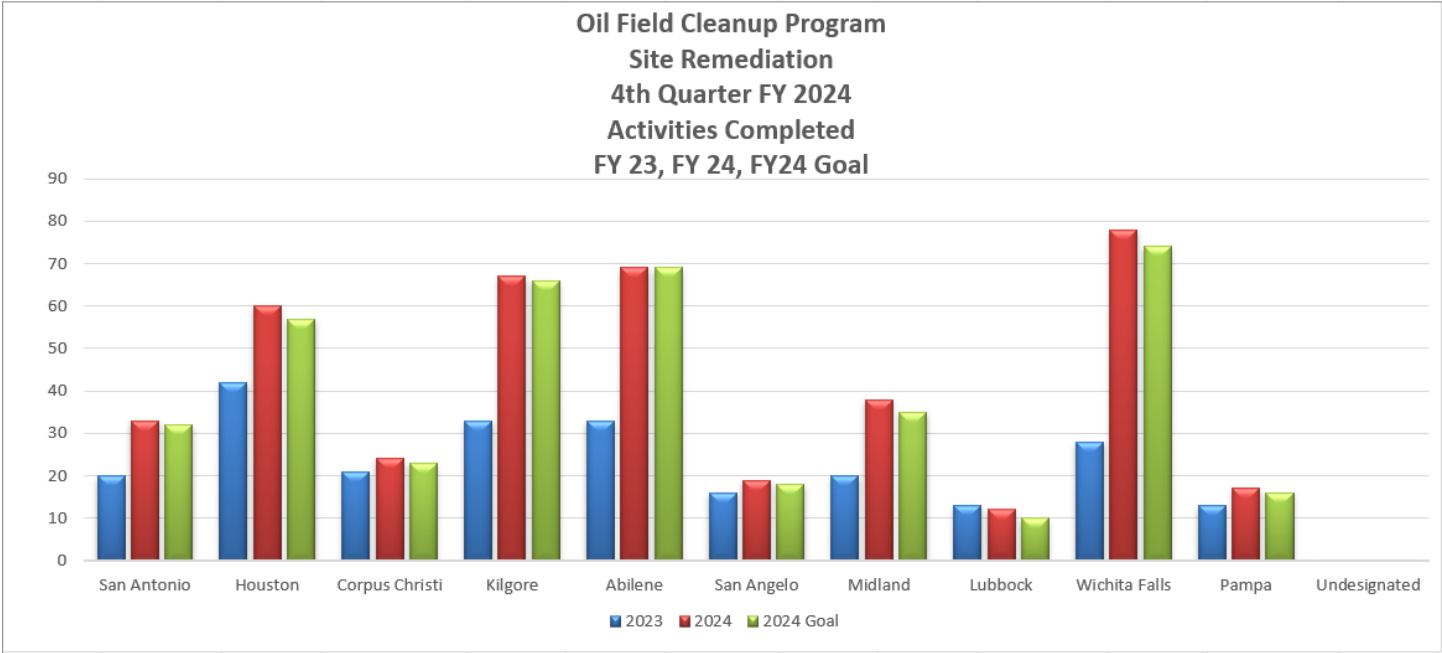


	San Antonio	Houston	Corpus Christi	Kilgore	Abilene	San Angelo	Midland	Lubbock	Wichita Falls	Pampa	Bay/Offshore	Total
<b>2023</b>	476	44	85	191	344	104	86	38	264	118	0	1,750
<b>2024</b>	421	28	40	83	229	68	34	33	255	63	2	1,256
<b>2024</b>	400	90	70	185	390	85	165	35	230	150	0	1,800

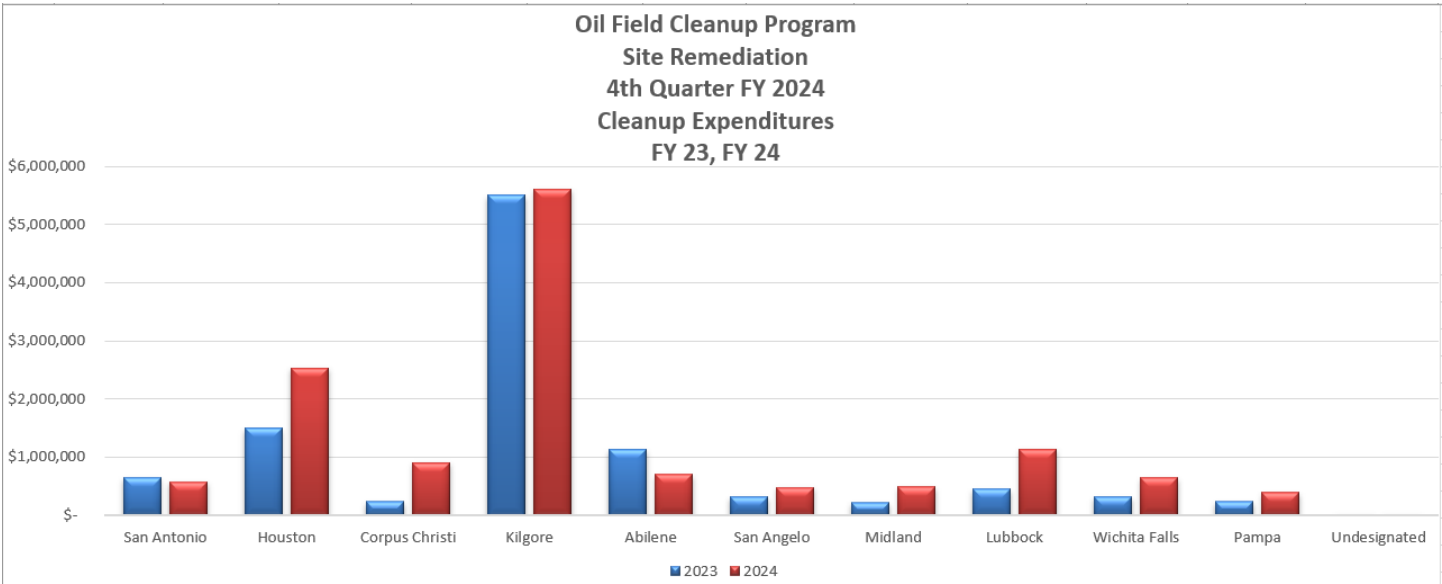
**Oil Field Cleanup Program  
State Managed Plugging  
4th Quarter FY 2024  
Plugging Expenditures  
FY 23, FY 24**



	San Antonio	Houston	Corpus Christi	Kilgore	Abilene	San Angelo	Midland	Lubbock	Wichita Falls	Pampa	Bay/Offshore	Total
<b>2023</b>	\$11,022,295	\$6,955,001	\$ 4,768,607	\$5,511,800	\$5,152,185	\$2,819,264	\$7,973,292	\$1,349,383	\$ 1,753,133	\$5,235,856	\$ -	\$25,440,815
<b>2024</b>	\$ 7,647,083	\$1,579,854	\$ 2,210,112	\$3,005,709	\$3,884,771	\$1,753,651	\$6,012,309	\$1,232,435	\$ 2,164,109	\$2,671,552	\$1,839,339	\$34,000,934



	San Antonio	Houston	Corpus Christi	Kilgore	Abilene	San Angelo	Midland	Lubbock	Wichita Falls	Pampa	Undesignated	Total
<b>2023</b>	20	42	21	33	33	16	20	13	28	13	0	239
<b>2024</b>	33	60	24	67	69	19	38	12	78	17	0	417
<b>2024 Goal</b>	32	57	23	66	69	18	35	10	74	16	0	400



	San Antonio	Houston	Corpus Christi	Kilgore	Abilene	San Angelo	Midland	Lubbock	Wichita Falls	Pampa	Undesignated	Total
<b>2023</b>	\$ 642,786	\$ 1,494,602	\$ 237,048	\$ 5,505,563	\$ 1,133,550	\$ 321,356	\$ 217,312	\$ 453,500	\$ 320,932	\$ 239,437	\$ -	\$ 10,566,086
<b>2024</b>	\$ 576,607	\$ 2,532,233	\$ 906,097	\$ 5,610,017	\$ 707,835	\$ 483,578	\$ 486,912	\$ 1,136,277	\$ 649,167	\$ 390,621	\$ -	\$ 13,479,344

**Railroad Commission of Texas**  
**Oil and Gas Regulation and Cleanup Dedicated Account**  
**AY 2024 4th Quarter Report**

Revenues:		Comptroller BRE (Jan. 2023)	Current Qtr Collections	Year-To-Date Collections	BRE Collected
3310	Oil and Gas Regulation and Clenaup Fee Surcharge	\$ 22,449,000	\$ 5,772,659	\$ 22,449,442	100.0%
3313	Oil and Gas Well Drilling Permit	6,556,000	1,652,320	6,405,058	97.7%
3314	Oil and Gas Violations	11,500,000	4,235,537	14,893,946	129.5%
3338	Organization Report Fees	3,518,000	865,695	3,657,109	104.0%
3339	Railroad Commission Voluntary Cleanup Application Fees	17,000	14,009	19,109	112.4%
3369	Reimbursement fo Well Plugging Costs	1,200,000	530,509	2,238,239	186.5%
3373	Injection Well Regulation	51,000	8,500	39,440	77.3%
3381	Oil Field Cleanup Regulatory Fee on Oil	10,213,000	2,710,117	10,762,962	105.4%
3382	Railroad Commission Rule Exceptions	1,567,000	375,270	1,447,311	92.4%
3383	Oil Field Cleanup Regulatory Fee on Gas	8,244,000	2,074,351	7,703,598	93.4%
3384	Oil and Gas Compliance Certification Reissue Fee	1,294,000	472,230	1,435,402	110.9%
3393	Abandoned Well Site Equipment Disposal	2,213,000	244,755	1,659,934	75.0%
3553	Pipeline Safety Inspection Fees	11,101,000	394,745	10,881,077	98.0%
3592	Waste Disposal Facilities, Generators, Transporters	185,000	36,060	205,310	111.0%
3727	Fees for Administrative Services	1,779,000	317,500	1,354,075	76.1%
3700	Federal Receipts-Matched, Other Programs	-	640,874	6,691,146	-
3701	Federal Receipts-Earned Credit	-	-	218,125	-
	Other Revenue	-	984,799	1,390,953	-
	<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$ 81,887,000</b>	<b>\$ 21,329,929</b>	<b>\$ 93,452,236</b>	<b>114.1%</b>
Surcharges					
<b>Total Revenues</b>		<b>\$ 81,887,000</b>	<b>\$ 21,329,929</b>	<b>\$ 93,452,236</b>	

Expenditures:	Budget		Expenditures	Encumbrances	Total Exp & Enc	Available Budget Remaining	
	Original	Adjustment					
13022	Pipeline Safety	\$ 1,136,931	\$ 4,241,790	\$ 4,883,729	\$ 25,686	\$ 4,909,416	-15.7%
13024	Energy Resource Development	5,742,648	380,607	5,541,120	110,671	5,651,791	-1384.9%
13025	Oil & Gas Monitoring and Inspections	1,967,940	95,300	1,599,463	72,358	1,671,821	-1654.3%
13027	Oil & Gas Well Plugging and Remediation	46,981,238	8,285,325	49,844,113	4,396,356	54,240,468	-554.7%
13031	Public Information	1,117,611	(17,553)	1,084,378	0	1,084,378	6277.7%
13036	Pipeline Damage Prevention	38,342	174,209	194,863	20	194,883	-11.9%
<b>Total Expenditures</b>		<b>\$ 56,984,709</b>	<b>\$ 13,159,678</b>	<b>\$ 63,147,666</b>	<b>\$ 4,605,091</b>	<b>\$ 67,752,757</b>	<b>-414.9%</b>

**Unobligated Oil and Gas Regulation and Cleanup Fund Balance - August 31, 2024**

\$ 44,657,721