BLOG: Ohio Utica Shale: Barnett shale in Texas will produce 44 trillion cubic feet of gas, study says

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March 01--A story in the Star-Telegram newspaper in Texas reports on a significant University of Texas study saying the Barnett shale will produce natural gas for decades.

Jim Fuquay at the Star-Telegram writes in part: "The Barnett Shale will still be churning out natural gas even in 2050 and will produce more than three times what it has already yielded, according to a new study by the University of Texas at Austin.

"There could be another 10,000 to 11,000 wells drilled in the big North Texas natural gas field, the study by UT's Bureau of Economic Geology forecasts. That activity could concentrate in Tarrant, Johnson, Denton and Wise counties, which have proved to be the most productive areas.

"The Barnett Shale has already produced about 13 trillion cubic feet of natural gas from more than 18,000 wells, according to the Texas Railroad Commission.

"The UT study projects that the field will produce 44 trillion cubic feet by 2050. That's roughly two years of current U.S. consumption.

The whole story is here [http://www.star-telegram.com/2013/02/28/4652190/study-says-barnett-will-still.html).

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