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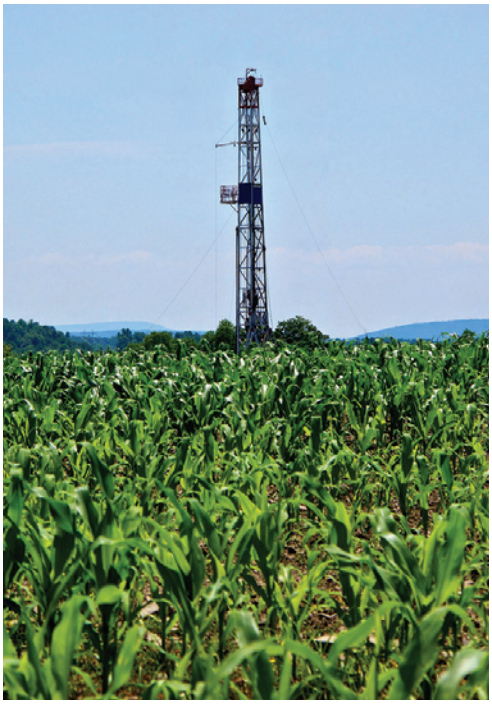
Marcellus Shale Impacts for Schools and Communities

The booming natural gas drilling industry in the Marcellus Shale region of Pennsylvania has significant implications for Pennsylvania's schools, school districts, and career and technology centers.

Because of this, a one-day conference for school district administrators and educators was held at Penn State. The event was jointly organized by faculty member **Kai Schafft** and the **Pennsylvania School Study Council**.

Kai Schafft

Titled "Understanding and Preparing for Marcellus Shale Impacts in Your School District," the conference was designed to help participants make important decisions aimed at minimizing the challenges and maximizing the benefits associated with gas development in their areas. Topics addressed community and school impacts of gas development with regard to enrollment changes, transportation issues, workforce development, fiscal health, school–industry partnerships and coordination, and student guidance.



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