



Chevron: Leading The Way Through Innovation and Perseverance



Fueled by the desire to perform "every task, the right way, every time," Chevron is a multinational corporation and the only fully integrated energy company based in California. As a fully integrated energy company, Chevron maintains upstream, midstream and downstream operations - from oil production in the field to the gasoline at your local station.

Through both innovation and perseverance, Chevron remains a constant in a forward moving world.

After striking out on their quest for gold, petroleum pioneers Demetrius Scofield and Frederick Taylor of Standard Oil Co. (Standard), a Chevron predecessor, succeeded in striking oil in Pico Canyon in 1876, launching California as an oil-producing state. By 1900, Standard had launched California's first steel tanker, constructed a pipeline linking Pico Canyon to the Southern Pacific's train station, opened the world's first service station and completed multiple refineries along the west coast.

Locally, Chevron and its predecessors have been a part of Fresno County for more than a century, with the discovery of the Coalinga Field in 1887. Since its birth, the Coalinga Oil Field has been one of the most productive oil fields in California.

Through innovation and ingenuity, Chevron increased its Coalinga Field production by over 40 percent from 2013 to 2015 - from approximately 7,000 barrels of oil per day (BOPD) to more than 10,000 BOPD. It became one of the few oil fields in California with production growth rather than decline. As such, the Coalinga Field remains a significant asset for Fresno County and will continue to thrive well into the 21st century.

Chevron has successfully used steam flooding to safely produce oil from the Coalinga Field for decades. In this process, dedicated injection wells continuously inject steam into the producing reservoir to heat the oil and allow it to move more easily to the production wells. The injected steam is safely contained within the producing reservoir, and it is separated from any groundwater aquifers by hundreds of feet of impermeable rock. All of Chevron's steam is generated using recycled produced water - no fresh water is used for steam generation.

Chevron strives to be the leading global energy company most admired for its people, partnership and performance. "Our

company is passionate about developing the energy that improves lives and powers the world forward," explained Megan Lopez, Policy, Government and Public Affairs Representative for Chevron's San Joaquin Valley Business Unit. "Having reliable and affordable energy is imperative to enabling human progress, and Chevron is proud that we produce that energy locally in a safe and environmentally responsible manner. We are also committed to the communities where we operate and make significant contributions to local organizations in support of educational, civic and economic development programs."

Lopez has been with the company for nine years, supporting Chevron's West Central California Region, which includes projects in Fresno, Kern and Monterey counties. She is specifically responsible for outreach efforts related to the Coalinga Field in Fresno County.

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With more than 1,300 Chevron employees working throughout the San Joaquin Valley, 55 of which are based in the Coalinga Oil Field, as well as thousands of additional employed contractors, Chevron places the highest priority on the health and safety of its workforce and protection of communities and the environment. This is very much engrained into Chevron's unique company culture, distinctively known as "The Chevron Way".

"At the heart of everything we do is 'The Chevron Way', which enables us to get results the right way," Lopez said. "We live and work in these communities, and our main goal is to ensure that our employees are returning to their families safely each day."

Investing in the people and partnerships within the corporation and the community is a focus for Chevron. Building relationships with agriculture and the local Fresno County community is especially important for Chevron as the company looks forward. "Although we've been here for more than 100 years, people don't always realize the value and contributions that Chevron and local oil production bring to Fresno County, so we want to make sure that its importance is well understood," said Lopez. Over the years, Chevron has been a supporter of Fresno County agriculture and recognizes the importance of supporting the industry through partnerships such as their Friends of the Family Farm premium membership.