

# Colorado City, Texas Mitchell County

Population in 2010: 9,402 approximately (87% urban, 13% rural)

Colorado City to:

Sweetwater, TX Population - 15,037— 32 miles Snyder, TX- Population 17,302 - 30 miles Big Spring, TX - Population - 54,000 - 32 miles Sterling City, TX - 45 miles

Total Population in a 30 mile radius = 95,741

Since 2012 property on I-20 commercial sold for: \$26,000 - \$71,000/ acre, it has now been platted out and is selling for \$3.50 - \$7.00/sq ft. There are 3 existing main hotels, Days Inn, American Inn and (Western Suites - new owner's took over in 2013 at the price of \$1.5 mil). There are 5 more hotels that are 4 story including indoor swimming pools and meeting rooms that will be breaking ground in 60 days, 2014. Best Western will be located across from the Days Inn, Cobblestone and Super 8 on the South Side of I-20, a Studio 6 on the North side of I-20 across from the Hospital, and a LaQuinta on the North Side of I-20 and County Road 139, across from Woods Boots.

### Restaurants -

Mia Ranchito
Santiago's
Subway
DairyQueen
Sonic's
Mary's Cafe
Hildago's
La Fe
Golden Chick is now breaking ground

A new Stripes travel center is breaking ground in 2014 on North I-20 & County Road 139, On the south side of I-20 across from the new Stripes is a new 2.5 mil RV park. In January of 2013 Chevron sold to new owner's for \$5.1 mil.

## Apartments -

Quail Run - HUD housing
Colorado City Housing - HUD housing
Lantana - revamped to accommodate worker housing

Housing/Rentals -

Most older homes are being purchased and revamped to turn into rental housing, rents are approximately \$300 - \$350/bedroom year lease.

I am getting approximately 10 or more calls per day looking for rentals that are available for workers and for families moving here from out of state and out of area because of the oil fields. We also have workers for the wind turbines, Electrical lines, construction on the schools, infrastructure, TXDOT, etc. not counting the calls of people from Big Spring, looking for housing here. We need more housing and apartments here.

#### Business -

FGE Gas Plant, now has all permits and TCEQ approvals, there are supposed to be 100 workers coming in to start by end of October 2014, by April 2015 a total of 600 workers. The plant is being built south of Westbrook, TX, located 9 miles west of Colorado City, It will be a 3 year project, as soon as the plant is completed, they will be building a 2nd plant next to it. There will also be a Desalaration Plant being built in Westbrook, bids for contracts are still being sent out.

For new permits for Oil and SWD wells, go to the RR commission website.

Colorado City is currently working on infrastructure for all of the new businesses and building. They were awarded a grant through the TX State Capital Fund. The Old Roger's Delinting Plant is currently working with private parties to obtain the property and dismantle the buildings and to sell them for scrap. Currently it is

being worked on to put in a new Industrial Park, on the property after it has been obtained.

I am waiting for more traffic counts to give to a Denny's, Applebee's and a Wendy's chain that are looking to move in at a later date.

There are various properties located next to the hotels, a new apartment complex that is to be built, and a new subdivision that is platted out for 2 hotels, and retail all near the Santiago's restaurant Near I-20.

Colorado City is already noticing more traffic of oil related trucks, and people in the restaurants, groceries stores and at the major gas stations. From attending the various Cline Shale meetings Colorado City is expected to see growth to approximately 45,000 or more in the next 3-4 years.

## City/County Governments -

The City is working very hard with the new businesses and developers that are coming into the area, Zoning maps are now located at City Hall, and they are working on changing some zoning from strictly residential to mixed use areas. They are eager to work with everyone, to try and accommodate for needs and infrastructures that are necessary for building, including permits in a timely fashion.

The County is doing the same with the water district and the Economic Development Department. The county has no zoning, except for water and sewer for permits. Both Governments have an open door policy for any help that is needed or required. They are also working with Grant Writers for new businesses that may obtain the information to help them get established, and also possible tax incentives.

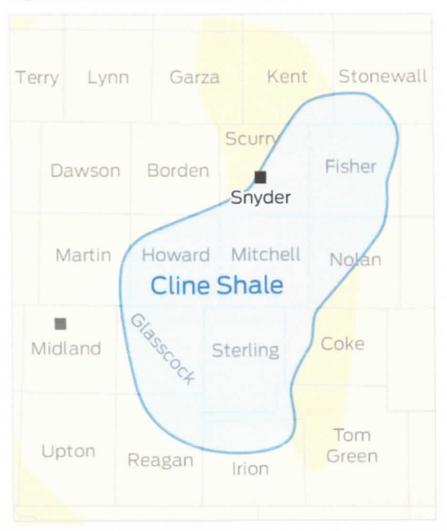
#### Conclusion -

I hope that this has given you an idea of our area and that everyone here is eager for growth and to work with the influx of various people and businesses. If there are any questions, please feel free to contact myself, or any one of the departments. All agencies have a website you may look at as well.

# Cline shale

## <u>oilprice.com</u> By Charles Kennedy

The US Shale boom has led some to predict that it will overtake Saudi Arabia as the world's largest oil and gas producer by 2020, thanks to the massive reserves found in plays such as the Bakken Shale of North Dakota, The Marcellus Shale in New York, and the Eagle Ford Shale in Texas; even the newly discovered Tuscaloosa Shale formation in Louisiana holds large potential.



Source: Keith Schaefer, Oil and Gas Investments Bulletin (4/19/12)

However there is a new shale formation that has been discovered in West Texas which could dwarf all others being drilled in the US at the moment.

The play is known as the Cline Shale pay and has been discovered in the Permian Basin



Cline Shale in northwest Texas...

The Cline lies roughly 9,000 feet below the surface in an area known as the Permian Basin (shaded above). It runs about 140 miles long and 70 miles wide.

Over the past three years, some of the biggest exploration companies have set up shop in the area. Devon Energy (NYSE: DVN) owns over 600,000 acres of land there. Apache (NYSE: APA) has interests in over 500,000 acres. Pioneer Natural Resources, Range Resources, and FireWheel Energy (which became a separate company after the XTO and ExxonMobil merger) are also drilling in this promising area.

Devon estimates that the Cline formation contains *over 30 billion barrels of recoverable oil.* That's why it is called "The Next Eagle Ford" – it could contain three times more recoverable oil than the Eagle Ford. (And six times more than the Bakken.)

These numbers may sound farfetched. But Japanese energy giant Sumitomo invested \$1.4 billion for a 30% stake in Devon's Cline shale assets in August. Three months ago, Chevron bought over 700,000 acres in the Permian Basin from Chesapeake Energy for \$7 billion. More than 150,000 acres of this is in the Cline shale. Source: http://growthstockwire.com

The Cline Shale is an intensive oil and natural gas exploration and production region in the eastern shelf of the Permian Basin in West Texas. Major producers estimate 15 years of drilling activity and at least 30 years of oil production across this multi-county region between Midland-Odessa, San Angelo and Abilene.

The Permian Basin of West Texas and eastern New Mexico contains more than 5 billion barrels of proven oil reserves and is the top oil opportunity region in North America – outranking Alaska and the Gulf of Mexico.





The Cline Shale region is America's Energy Solutions Region, playing a major role in America's oil, natural gas, wind, nuclear, solar, clean coal and electricity transmission sectors. The region is strong in logistics, technical workforce, skills training, energy resources and an energy friendly population. Covering the area of over 1 million acres, the Cline Shale could be the largest North American oil play of all time. Source: http://clineshalesite.com/news/oil-play-century

The construction of a gas-fired power plant which is slated to break ground during the summer of 2014 immediately south of Colorado City is an example of the type of activity which is underway within the region and involving several hundred employees during the construction and operation phases.

Population growth in cities, within major oil producing formations such as Midland in the Permin Basin and many communities in the Eagle Ford Shale, has been significantly impacted by recent activity.

Population Increase: 2010-2014

Midland: 28%

Eagle Ford Shale: 15-75% Range

Considering the fact that the Cline Shale has reserve estimates of 30 billion BOE compared to the Eagle Ford Shale at 3 billion BOE, it is reasonable to expect that the Cline area should meet or exceed all growth increase experienced by comparable production areas. Source: Extrapolated from http://clineshalesite.com/news/oil-play-century and U.S. Census Bureau