

Richter Predictor allows Permian Operator to Detect Fault Activity during Completions prior to Seismic Event

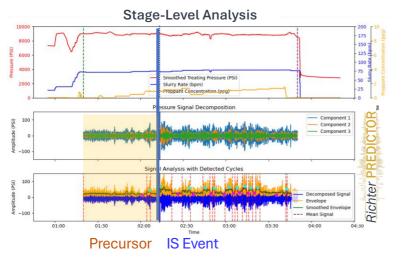
Challenge

A partner in the Midland basin approached ShearFRAC[®] to complement their existing seismic detection in an area with an active fault:

- + Identify aseismic slip and background seismicity along fault
- + Quantify stick-slip signature in pressure data
- + Provide early warning of possible induced seismic events

Solution

- Richter Predictor™ provides real-time measurements of aseismic stick-slip cycles during well completions
- + Real-time measurements facilitate data-driven decisions to adjust operations in real time to mitigate fault activation



Results

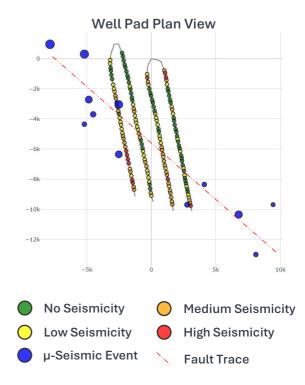
- Surface Pressure monitoring detected increase in fault activity hours before traditional µ-seismic based on duration & amplitude of stick-slip cycles
- Characterized background seismic signature of fault during completions activity



Basin – Midland

Location – West Texas

Producing Well Type – Oil



Outcomes

- Fracturing order of operations modified based on Richter Predictor[™] results and seismic array.
- Signal decomposition provided valuable
 real-time insights for quantifying fault slip

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