

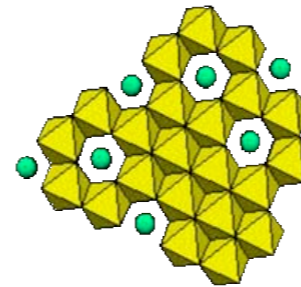
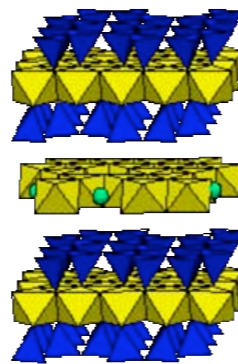
## Oil Wells



These wells could never have been drilled without the role of clays as drilling mud, now augmented with such compounds as barite

## Uses of Clay - Contaminant Removal

Clay slurries have effectively been used to remove a range of contaminants, including P and heavy metals, and overall water clarification.



Schematic of montmorillonite absorbing Zn