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#### **ABSTRACT**

When should producing properties in irreversible decline be shutin? When abandoned? These questions are addressed from an economic perspective. The questions are old, but analyses reveal new, currently relevant facets of decisions to shutin and abandon producing properties.

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