

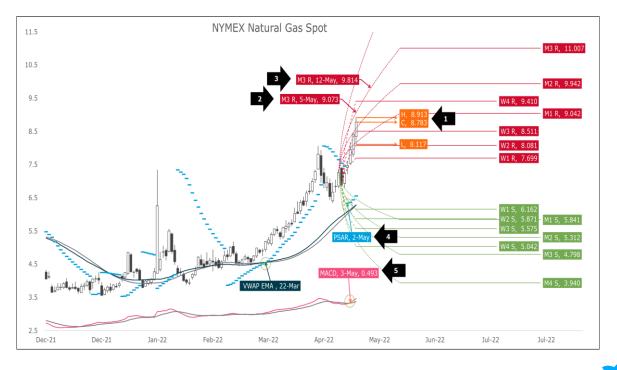
NYMEX Bulls Are Back in the Saddle

After a brief respite, bulls were back in business on the NYMEX this week. The market has now closed higher for five straight sessions, from a \$6.80/MMBtu low to today's 14-year high of \$8.913/MMBtu, a trough-to-peak gain of \$2.108/MMBtu, one the largest five-day rallies (98th percentile) since 1990.

As illustrated, today the market traded to the cusp of \$9/MMBtu with an \$8.913/MMBtu high print (arrow 1). For bears, the market came uncomfortably close to our initial monthly level of resistance (M1, R) of \$9.042/MMBtu and to the curve of our third monthly level of resistance (M3, R) of \$9.073/MMBtu (arrow 2).

For the next five sessions, our immediate upside targets are \$9.042/MMBtu (M1, R) and \$9.410 (W4, R). The next point along the curve for our third level of resistance on the month is \$9.814/MMBtu (arrow 3).

Our two favorite technical indicators have flipped back to bullish this week. The parabolic SAR turned positive on May 2nd (arrow 4) and the MACD turned on May 3rd (arrow 5).



Storage refills, steady as she goes.

After a meager start to the season, the EIA has now reported three straight solid refills. As of April 29th, a total of 77 Bcf of gas was injected into L48 underground storage. Over the last four weeks, a total of 185 Bcf has been injected, which is 15 Bcf (8.6 Bcf) above the seasonally adjusted trend. The early consensus for next Thursday's report is another solid injection of \approx 80 ±10 Bcf.

