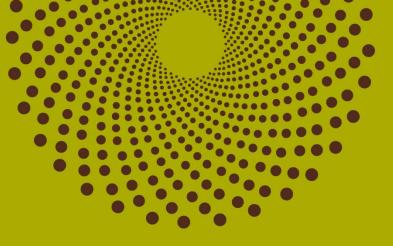
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### Cenovus EnCAID\* introduction and overview

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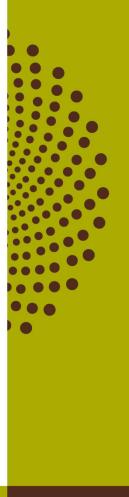
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## Scheme background

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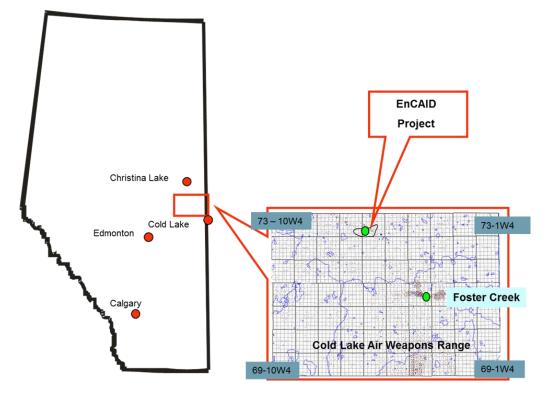
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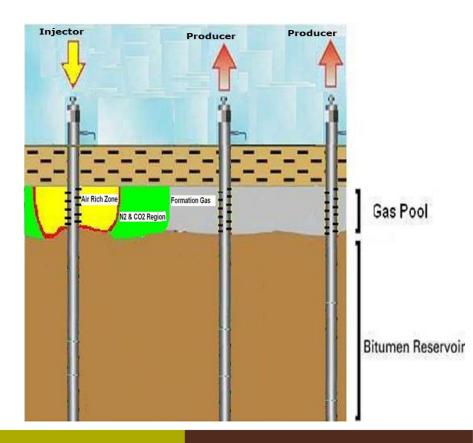
 The EnCAID project is an enhanced recovery scheme which displaces natural gas with combustion gases that are the result of combustion of residual bitumen in gas cap





## Project overview

- Combustion of residual bitumen in gas cap
- Allows for displacement and repressurization of gas zone
- 100% Cenovus Energy Inc.

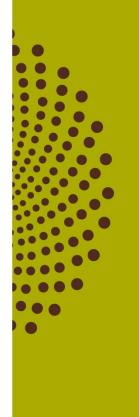




## Geological/geoscience

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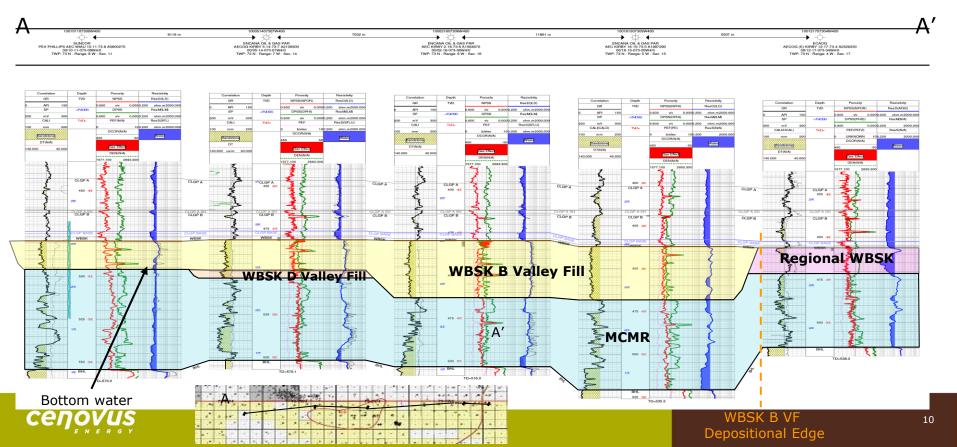


## Summary of Wabiskaw gas properties

Depth	465 TVD
Thickness	5 m
Average porosity	~36%
Average gas saturation	~50%
Average water saturation	~30%
Average bitumen saturation	~20%



### Wabiskaw stratigraphic cross-section



## Drilling and completion

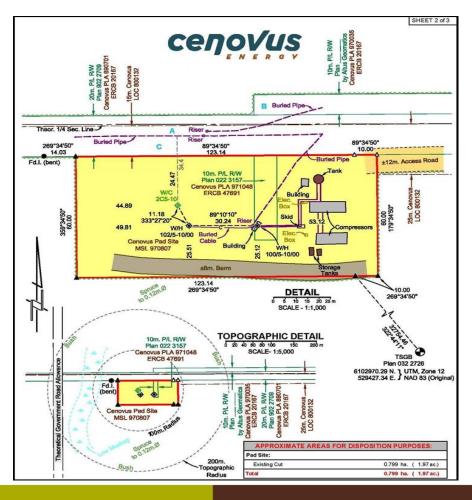
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## Well layout





## Drilling and completion

- No new wells were drilled
- No recompletions
- No workovers

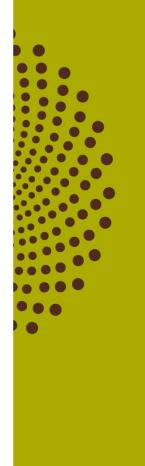
# Requirements under subsection 3.1.1 3c – wellbore schematics are included in the appendix



### Instrumentation

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### Instrumentation in wells

#### **Observation Well: 102/05-10-73-6W4**

- Equipped with three piezometers
- Equipped with 10 thermocouples

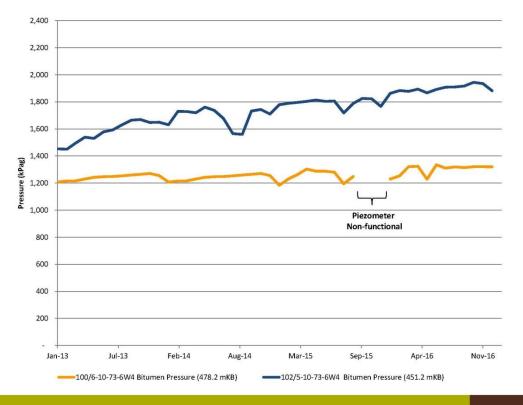
#### **Observation Well: 100/6-10-73-6W4**

- Equipped with one piezometer
- Equipped with 10 thermocouples

Requirements under subsection 3.1.1 5a – wellbore schematics 5c and 5d are included in the appendix

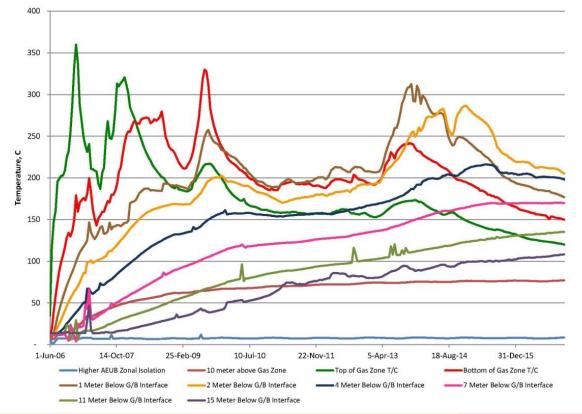


### Observation wells bitumen pressure



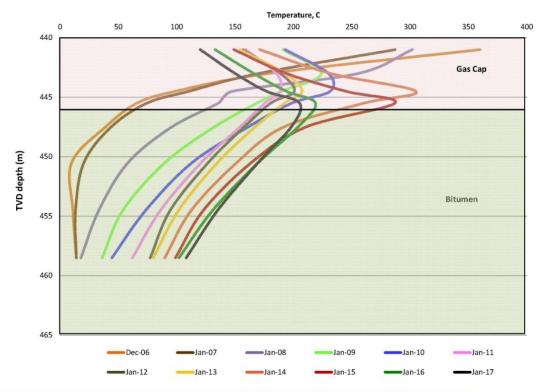


### 102/05-10-073-06W4 - Temp history





### 102/05-10-073-06W4/0 Observation well temperature

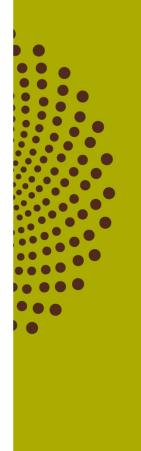




### Scheme performance

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## Project performance history

Year	Activity		
2006	June - Ignition and start-up	2012	Jul – Startup of 00/6-7-76-6W4/00 Oct – Primrose sales volumes flowing to Caribou gas facility
2007	Q1 – Nitrogen response at 00/14-9-73-6W4/00 Q2 – Nitrogen response at 00/2-16-73-6W4/00, 00/11-15- 73-6W4/00, shut-in 00/14-9-73-6W4/00	2013	Feb - Startup of 00/6-6-73-6W4/00 Mar- Shut-in 00/7-8-73-6W4/00
2008	May – Nitrogen response at 00/1-17-73-6W4/00	2014	Dec - Startup 00/10-12-73-7W4/00
2009	Jan – Gas production shut-in due to 00/6-18-73-6W4/00 segregation repair Jun – Nitrogen response at 00/7-8-73-6W4/00 Oct – Injectivity decrease observed	2016	Feb – Abandoned 00/11-15-73-6W4 Jul - Startup 00/10-11-73-7W4/00
2010	Q1- 00/5-10-73-6W4/00 injector stimulation treatment Q4 - Shut-in 00/1-17-73-6W4/00, 00/2-16-73-6W4/00, 00/11-15-73-6W4/00. Removal of 00/5-10-73-6W4/00 thermocouple string and perform pressure fall off tests		
2011	Q1 - 00/5-10-73-6W4/00 injector stimulation treatment Mar/Apr - 00/11-15-73-6W4/00 flowed N <sub>2</sub> 85%		



### Production/injection summary

#### **Production operations**

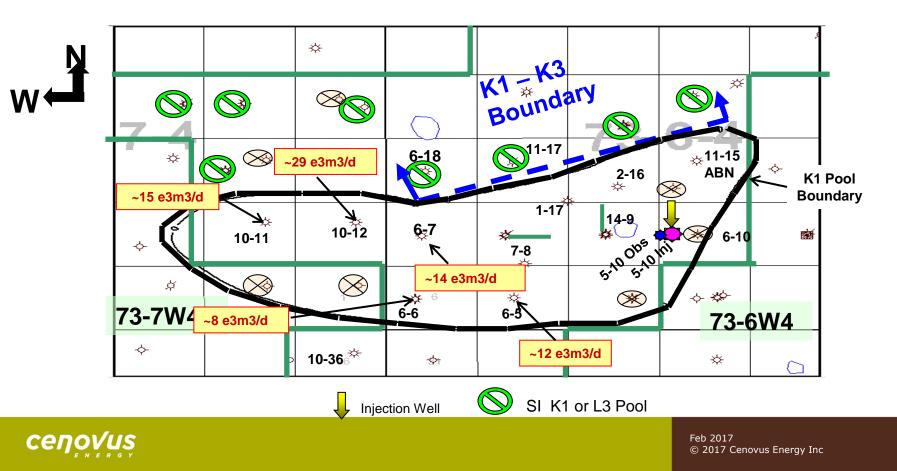
Operating for	Air injected	Bulk gas recovered	Formation gas recovered
>10 years	~ 270 e <sup>6</sup> m <sup>3</sup>	~ 190 e <sup>6</sup> m <sup>3</sup>	~ 167 e <sup>6</sup> m <sup>3</sup>

#### **Approved producers**

UWI	Status	UWI	Status
00/06-05-073-06W4/0	Flowing ~ 52% $N_2$	00/02-16-073-06W4/0	Shut-in ~ 84% $\rm N_2$
00/06-06-073-06W4/2	Flowing ~ 17% $\rm N_2$	00/01-17-073-06W4/0	Shut-in ~ 85% $N_2$
00/06-07-073-06W4/2	Flowing $<1\% N_2$	00/10-11-073-07W4/0	Flowing <1% $N_2$
00/07-08-073-06W4/0	Shut-in >90% $N_2$	00/10-12-073-07W4/0	Flowing <1% $N_2$
00/11-15-073-06W4/0	Abandoned	00/14-09-073-06W4/0	Shut-in ~ 86% $N_2$

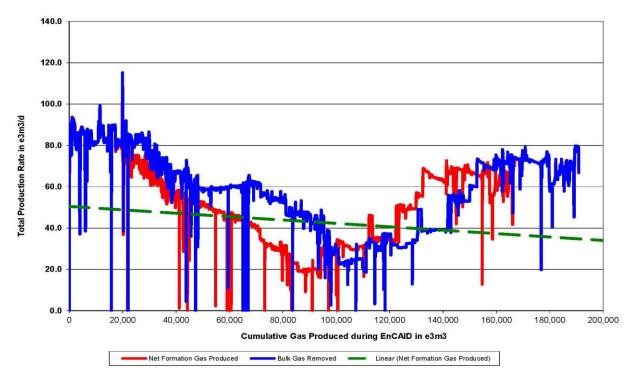


### K3 pool production



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### History production





## Voidage replacement ratio (VRR) - 2016

#### **January and April**

Steady high air injection rates

#### **May to October**

Reduce air injection rates due to higher ambient temperatures

#### **October to December**

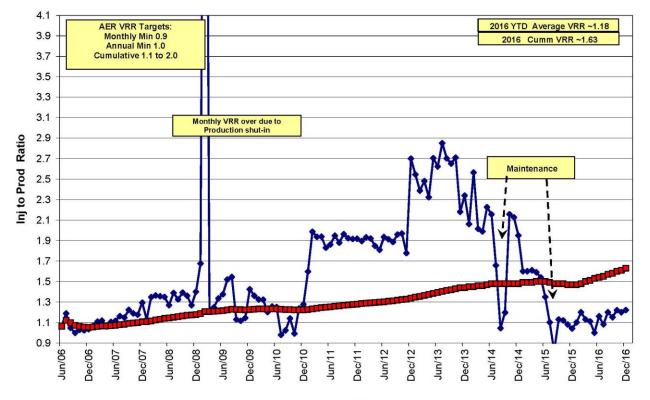
Steady high air injection rates



	Monthly VRR	Cumulative VRR	VRR regulatory approved limit (Min monthly)
January	1.10	1.47	0.90
February	1.20	1.48	0.90
March	1.13	1.50	0.90
April	1.11	1.51	0.90
May	1.00	1.53	0.90
June	1.16	1.54	0.90
July	1.08	1.55	0.90
August	1.20	1.57	0.90
September	1.15	1.58	0.90
October	1.22	1.60	0.90
November	1.20	1.61	0.90
December	1.22	1.63	0.90



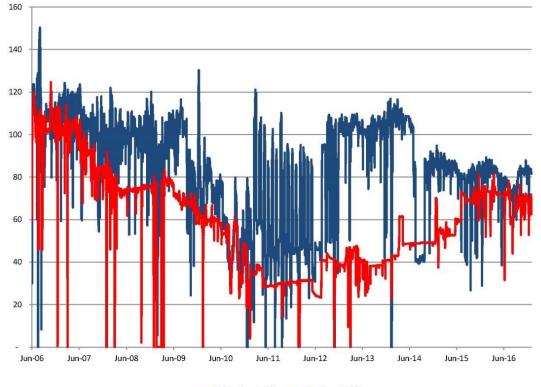
### VRR performance



Monthly Ratio Cumulative Ratio



## VRR history

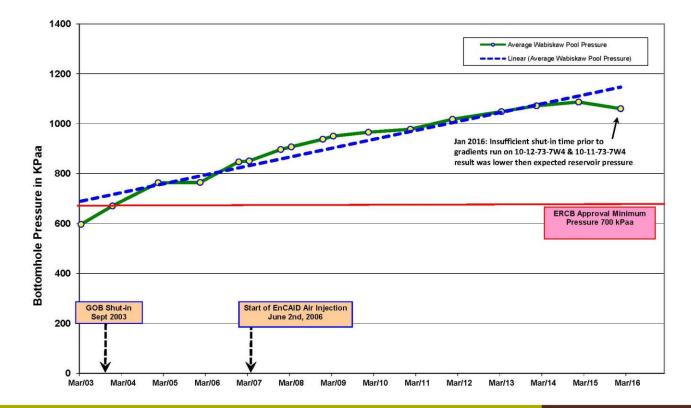


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Gas Flow e3m3/d

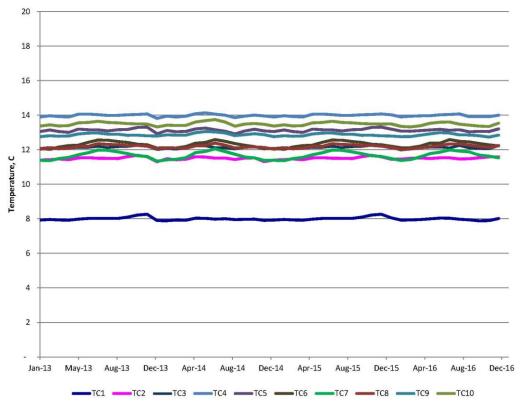


## K3 pool pressure





### Observation 6-10 well temperature





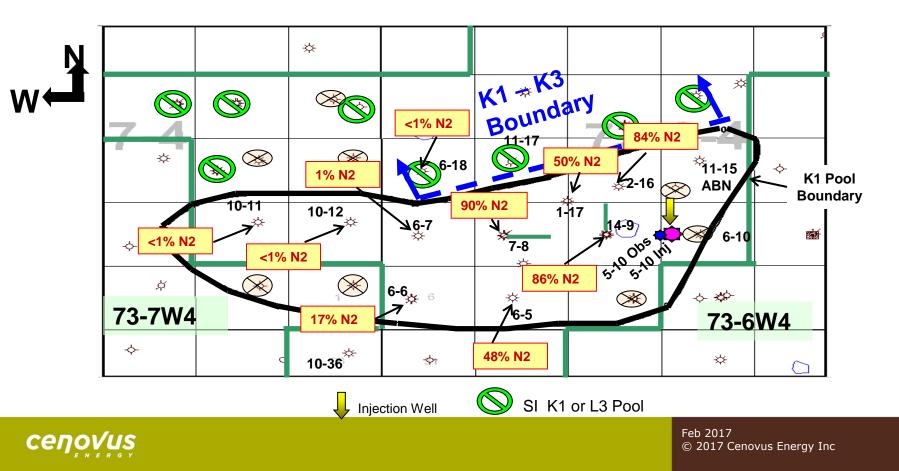
## Composition of injected/produced fluids

- EnCAID does not currently sample air injected
- EnCAID captures gas samples for analysis on the schedule located to the right and monitors compositional changes for each well
- Cenovus samples selective wells on more frequent basis than required under Approval 10440L

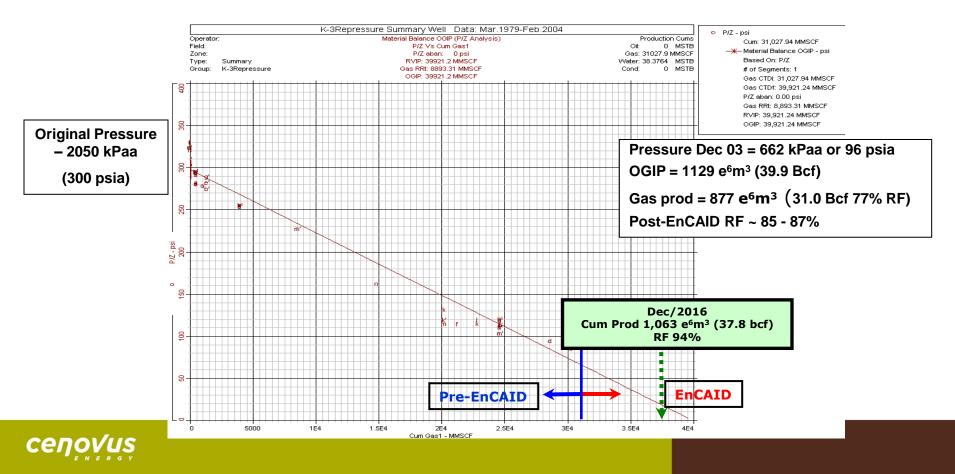
	Sampling Frequency
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00/06-06-073-06W4/2	Semi-annual
00/06-07-073-06W4/2	Semi-annual
00/06-10-073-06W4/2	Annual
00/06-18-073-06W4/0	Annual
00/07-08-073-06W4/0	Annual
00/10-11-073-07W4/0	Semi-annual
00/10-12-073-07W4/0	Semi-annual
00/10-36-072-07W4/2	Annual
00/11-17-073-06W4/0	Annual
00/14-09-073-06W4/0	Annual



### Nitrogen response



### Wabiskaw K-3 Pool material balance



## Subsurface key learnings

#### **Presence of more than one oxidation front indicates**

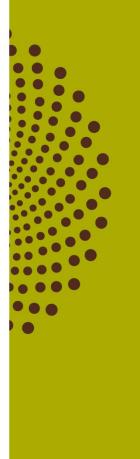
- fuel remaining in the region swept by the combustion front
- could be either residual oil left behind first oxidation front, or resaturation with oil from adjacent rock or, possibly from flammable vapor produced from the oxidation and cracking reactions
  Continues to be strong correlations between air-injection rate and temperature changes
  - first oxidation zone at the bottom of the gas cap was truncated by a reduction in injection rate
  - increase in injection rate performed in early 2013 resulted in ignition and combustion of the top of the bitumen



### Future plans

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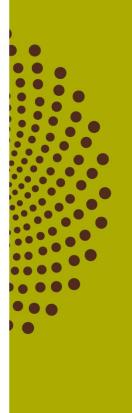
### Future plans

• No changes in overall recovery strategy are planned at this time



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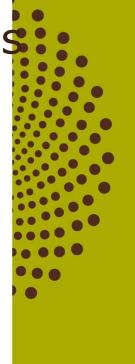
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# Facility overview/modifications

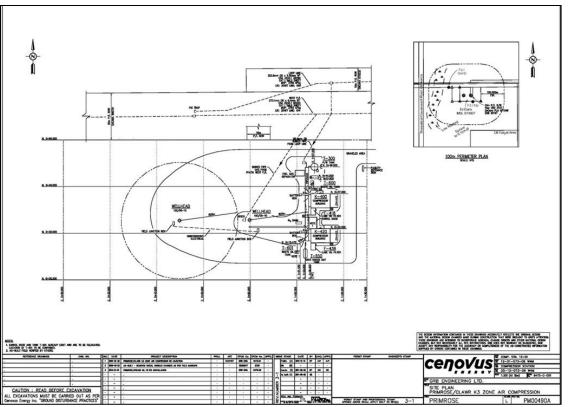
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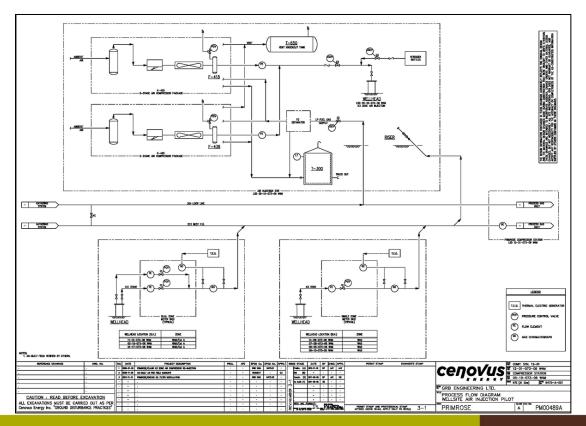


# Site Layout





#### Process flow schematic





# Plant performance - 2016

#### Facility is operating as expected

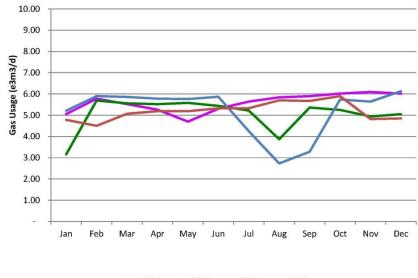
- Steady air injections
- Some weather related reductions





# Usage is as fuel gas for air compressor operations

- Gas source Primrose plant fuel gas
- Total 2016 usage 2,061 e<sup>3</sup>m<sup>3</sup>



\_\_\_\_2016 \_\_\_\_2015 \_\_\_\_2014 \_\_\_\_2013



# Green house gas emissions

	2016 (tonnes)	2015 (tonnes)	2014 (tonnes)				
January	477	522	477				
February	463	439	472				
March	476	478	519				
April	443	461	498				
May	412	482	521				
June	446	456	504				
July	484	455	405				
August	498	335	300				
September	487	437	326				
October	511	457	511				
November	501	413	484				
December	513	431	538				



# Surface facility key learnings

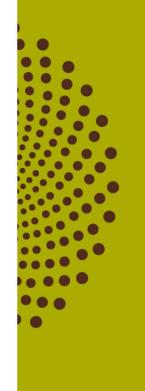
- Safe operation of production and injection wells
- Geographical location provides challenges for instrumentation operations utilizing solar panels during the winter season
- Purity of injection gases plays key role in maintaining injectivity
- Marginal economics to operate in today's pricing environment



# Measurement and reporting

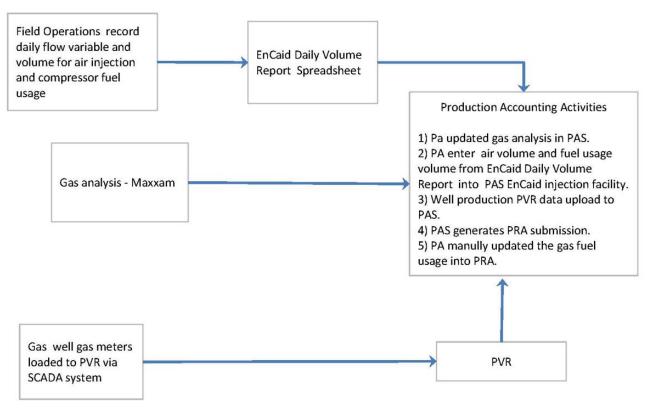
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# Measurement reporting

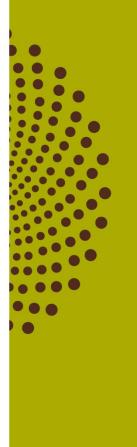




# **Environmental** issues

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# **Environmental compliance**

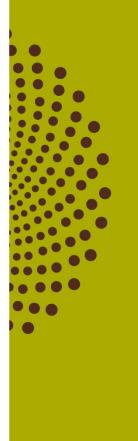
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# Compliance statement

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# **Compliance confirmation**

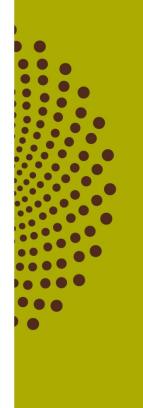
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# Non-compliance discussion

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### Non-compliance confirmation

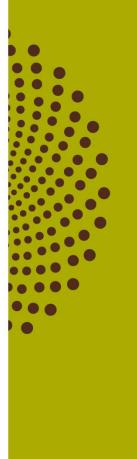
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# Future plans

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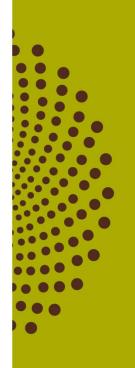


# Future plans

- No major initiatives or plans that may require submission of an application are being contemplated at this time
- No changes to overall plant design or amendments are anticipated at this time
- Operate the project until it is economic

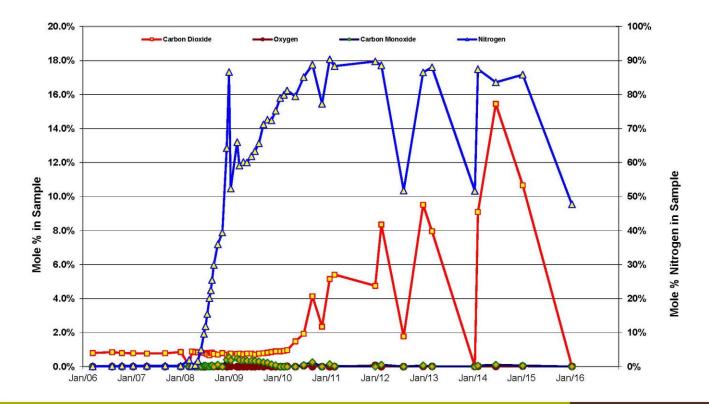


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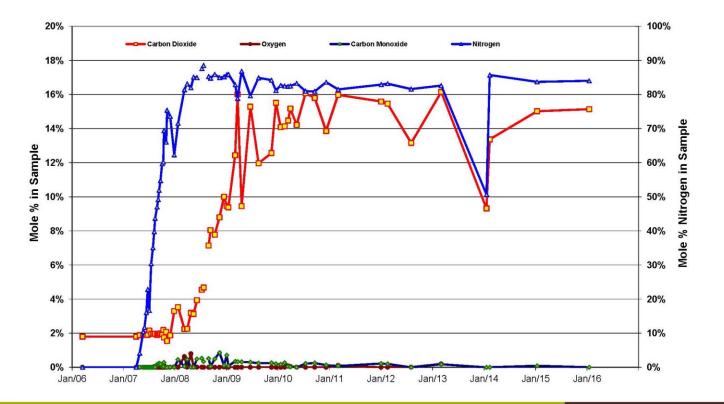


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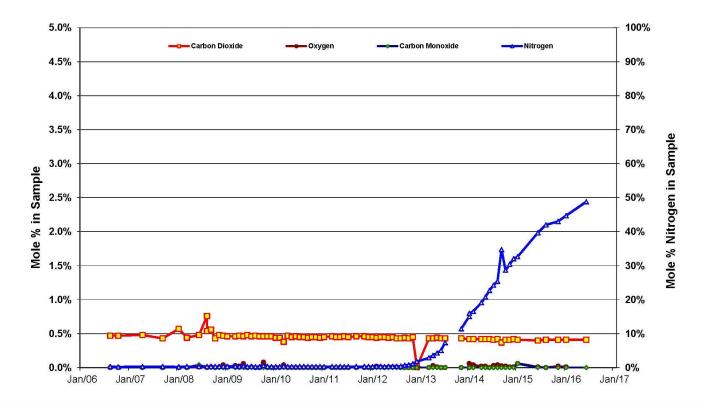


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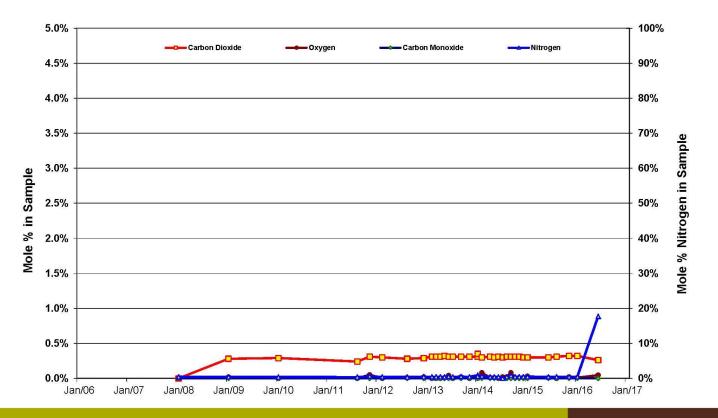


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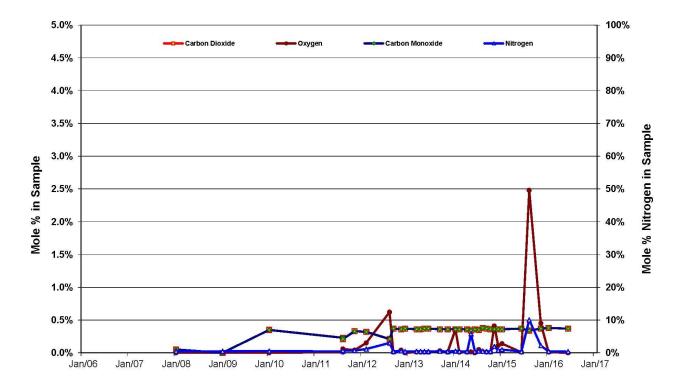


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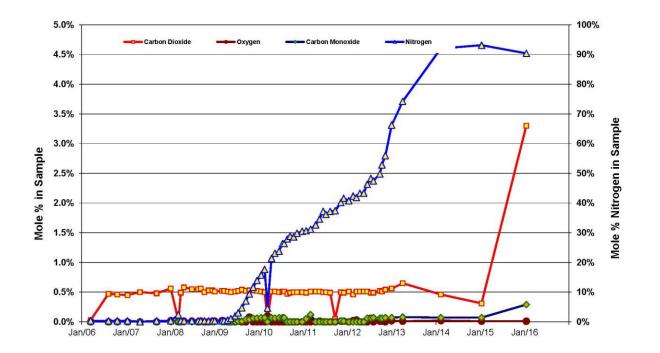


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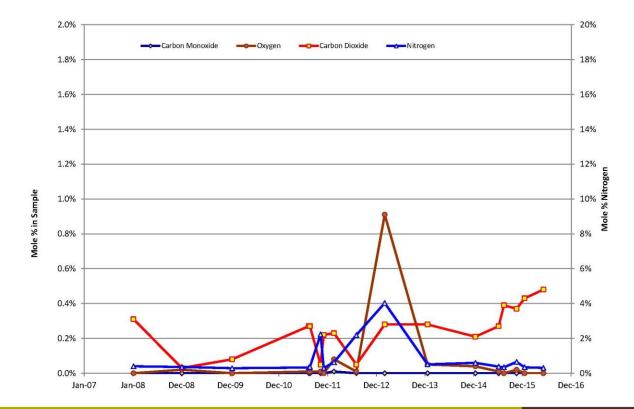


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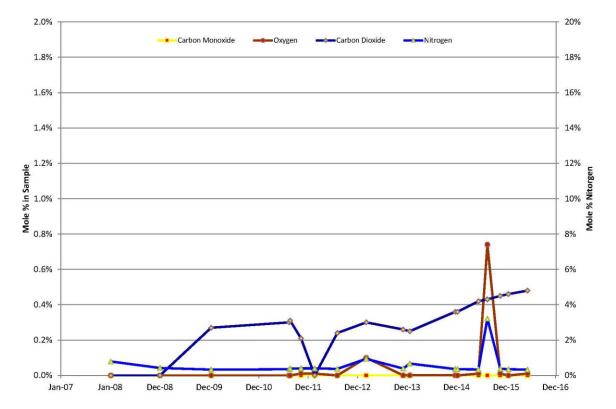


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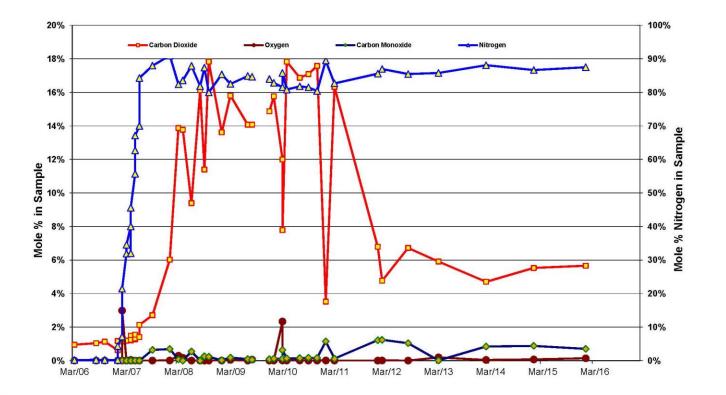


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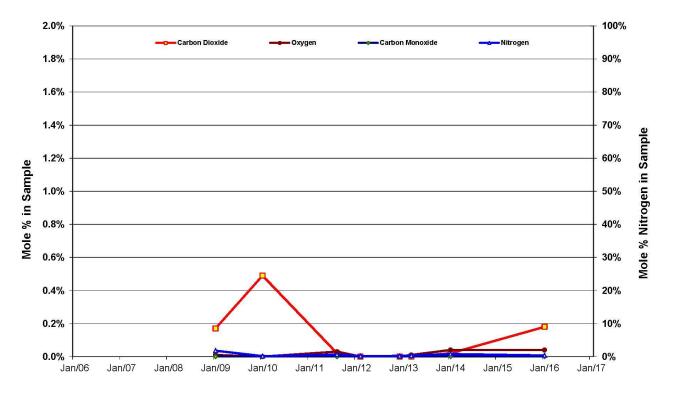


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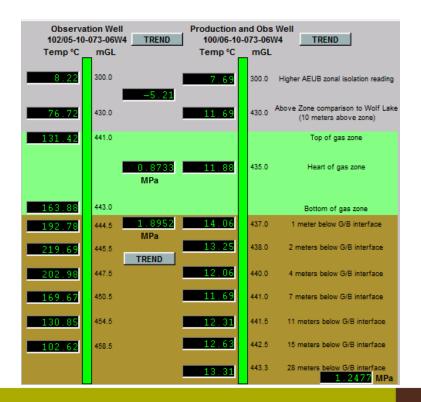


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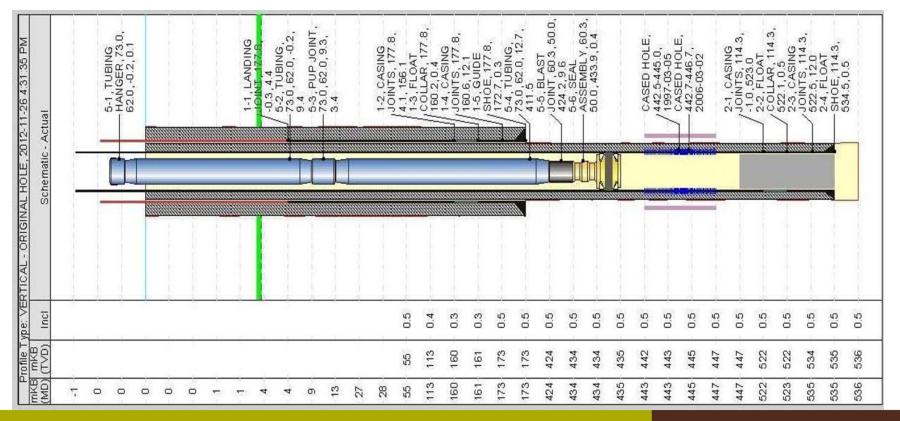


# Downhole instrumentation layout





# 100/05-10-073-06W4 wellbore schematic



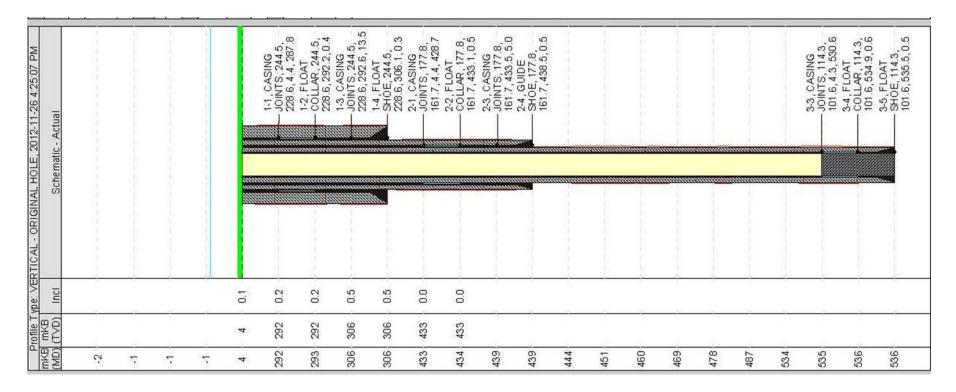
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# Thank you

