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Blackrod SAGD Pilot Project  
Athabasca Oil Sands Area  
Scheme Approval No. 11522H

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**Blackrod Subsurface**

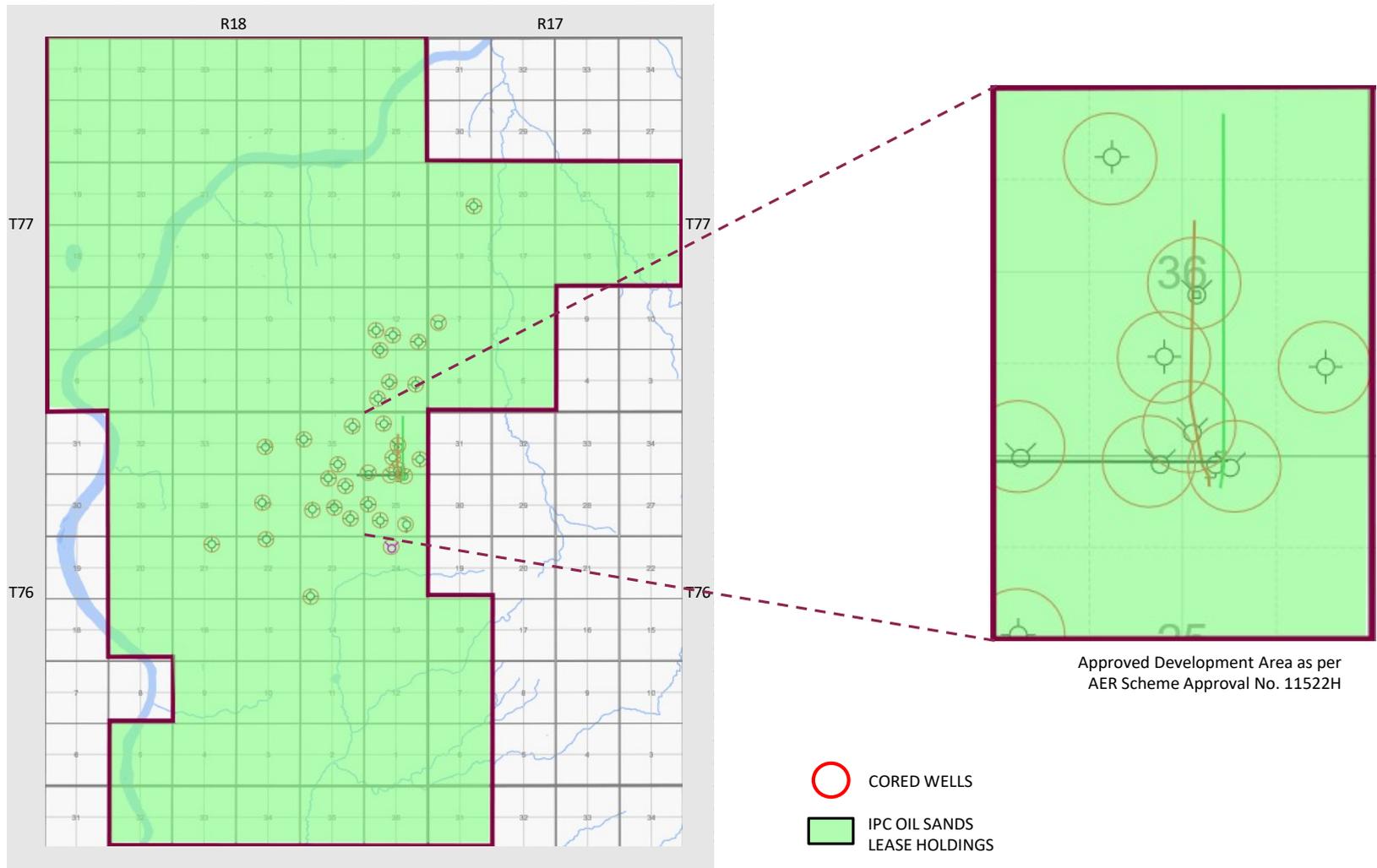
# Subsurface Agenda

1. Background
2. Geology / Geoscience
3. Drilling & Completions
4. Artificial Lift
5. Well Instrumentation
6. Scheme Performance

# Blackrod Subsurface

## 1. Background

# Project Overview



# Project Summary

- AER Scheme Approval No. 11522H
- One (1) Operating SAGD Well Pair
- Portage area on Oil Sands Lease 7407060158
- Pilot site located in 02-36-076-18W4
- Target formation is the Lower Grand Rapids Unit 1 (L.GR1)
- Initial reservoir data:
  - Pressure: 1700 KPA
  - Temperature: 13°C
  - Depth: 300m
- Traditional SAGD recovery process
- IPC is the 100% W.I. Owner

# Blackrod Pilot Site



## Project Milestones – 10-36 WP2

- **Feb 2012** AER Approval No. 11522C for 10-36 WP2 and facility expansion
- **Feb 2013** Drilled 10-36 WP2
- **Oct 2013** Commission Phase 2 Pilot Facility Expansion
- **Nov 2013** Commence Circulation Phase
- **Mar 2014** Convert to SAGD Production Phase
- **Apr 2015** Production surpasses commercial rate of 400 bopd
- **Dec 2016** 21 consecutive month of +500 bopd with an iSOR of <3.0
- **Dec 2017** Produced 645,000 cumulative barrels of oil
- **Dec 2018** Produced 800,000 cumulative barrels of oil
- **Dec 2019** Produced 900,000 cumulative barrels of oil
- **Feb 2020** Shut in for 15-36 WP3 Circulation Phase

## Project Milestones – 15-36 WP3

- **Aug 2018**            AER Approval No. 11522G for 15-36 WP3
- **Sept 2019**            Drilled 15-36 WP3
- **Feb 2020**            Commence Circulation Phase

## 2. Geology / Geoscience

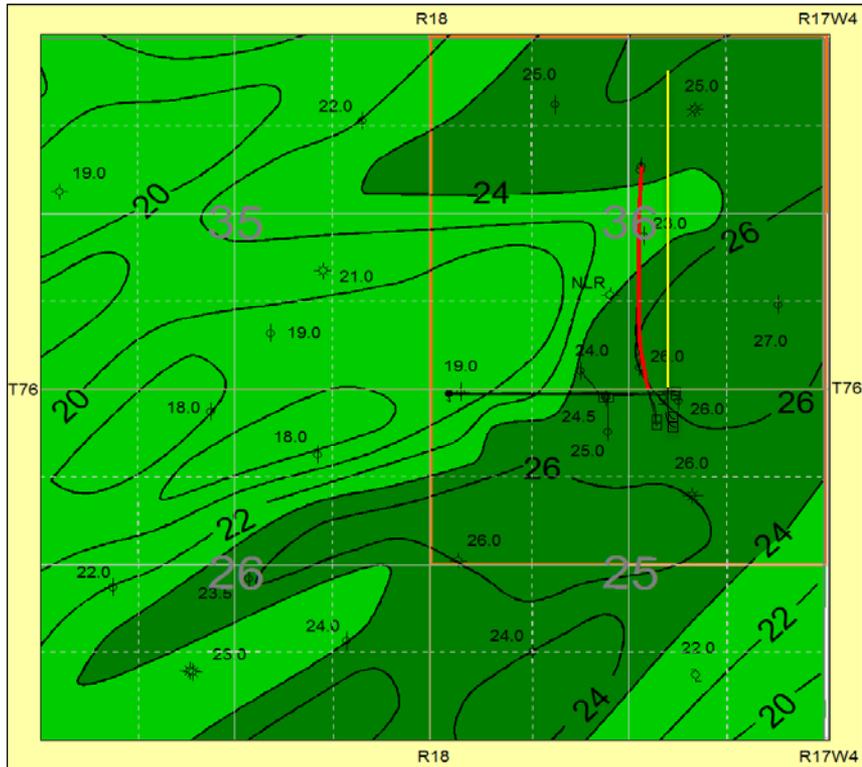
# Original Bitumen in Place

- $OBIP_{WP2} = A * h * So * \emptyset * Bo$   
= (100 m \* 1050 m) \* 25 m \* 0.63 \* 0.34 \* 1.0  
= 562,275 m<sup>3</sup>
- $OBIP_{WP3} = A * h * So * \emptyset * Bo$   
= (100 m \* 1550 m) \* 25 m \* 0.63 \* 0.34 \* 1.0  
= 830,025 m<sup>3</sup>

## Where:

OBIP =	Original Bitumen In Place
A =	Drainage Area
h =	Thickness
So =	Oil Saturation
$\emptyset$ =	Average Porosity
Bo =	Expansion Factor
WP2=	2 <sup>nd</sup> Pilot Well Pair drilled at 10-36-076-18W4
WP3=	3 <sup>rd</sup> Pilot Well Pair drilled at 15-36-076-18W4

# Lower Grand Rapids (L. GR) Net Pay Map



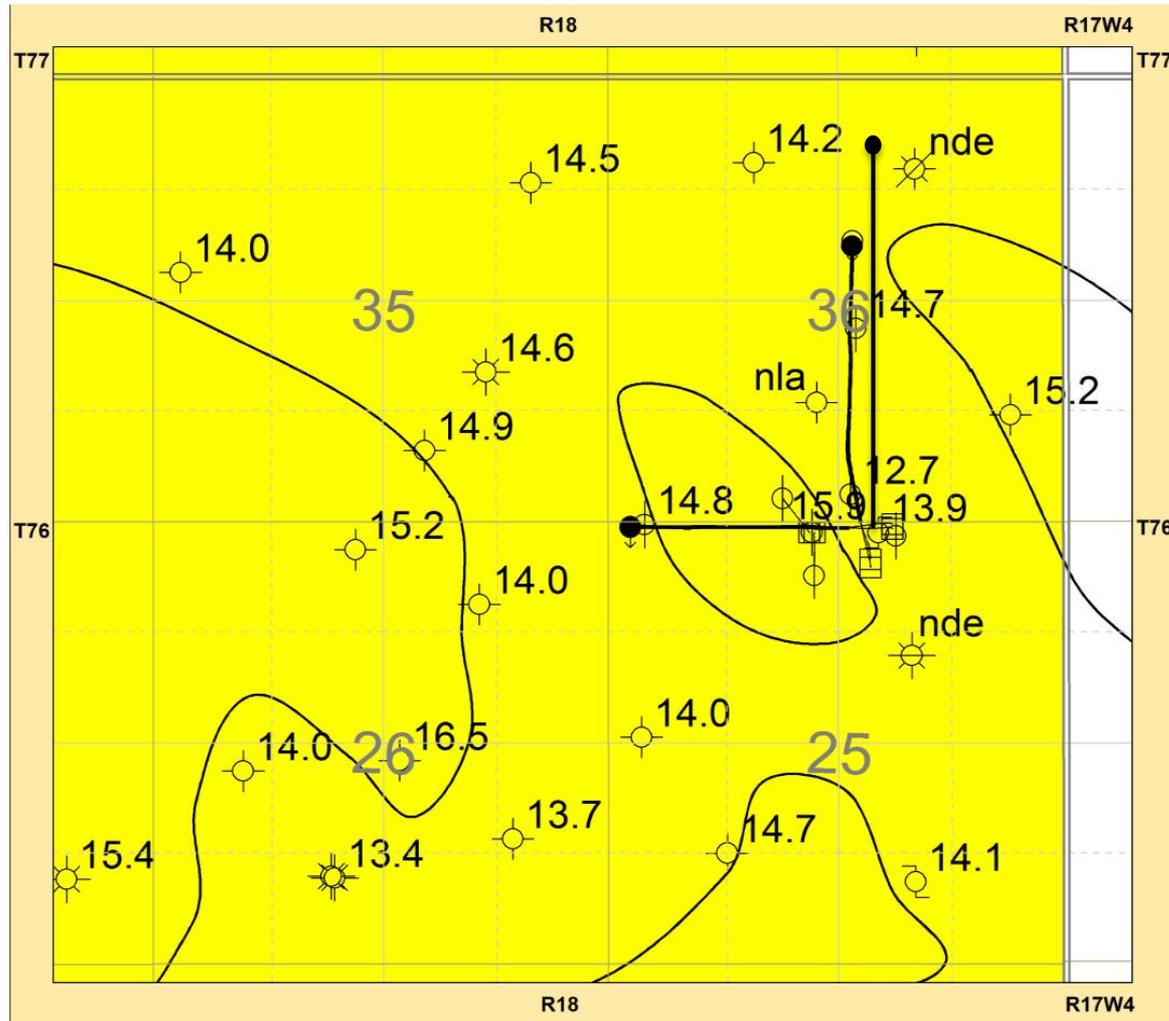
- Existing lease and access selected for Pilot surface location
- Bottom hole locations for both Pilot Well Pairs selected based on offsetting well control
- L. GR is a Shoreface deposit consisting of three (3) coarsening-upward parasequences:
  - L. GR Unit 1 = upper to middle shoreface bitumen target zone
  - L. GR Unit 2 = middle to lower shoreface transition zone
  - L. GR Unit 3 = bottom H2O saturated aquifer

## LOG CUTOFFS

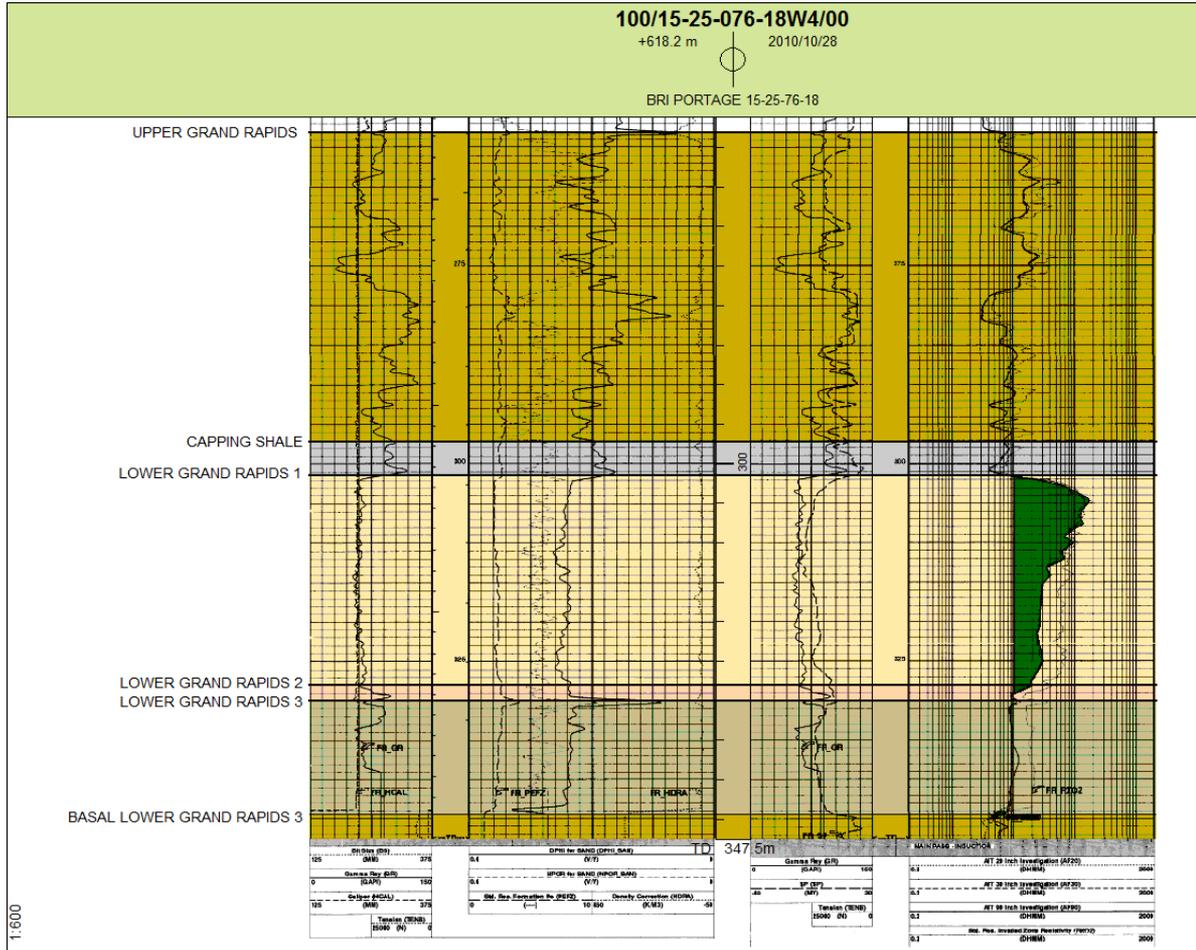
- Gamma Ray < 75 API
- Resistivity > 20 Ohm.m
- Porosity > 33%

Legend	
Blackrod SAGD Pilot Project	
	Phase 1 Development Area
	13-25 WP1
	10-36 WP2
	15-36 WP3

# L. GR Unit 3 Bottom Water Isopach Map



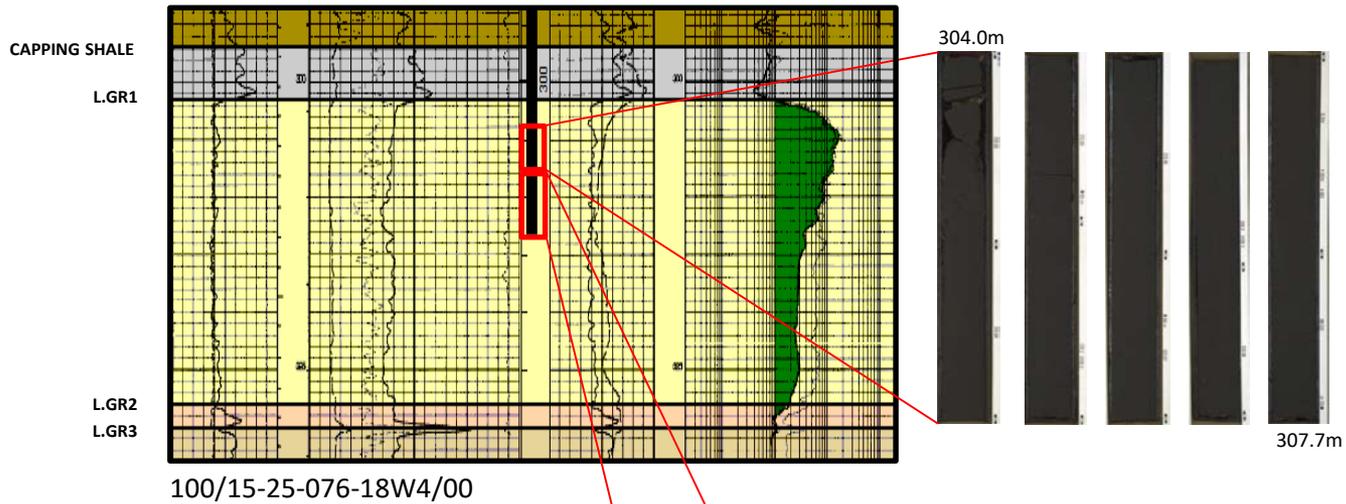
# Type Log



## LOG CUTOFFS

- Gamma Ray < 75 API
- Resistivity > 20 Ohm.m
- Porosity > 33%

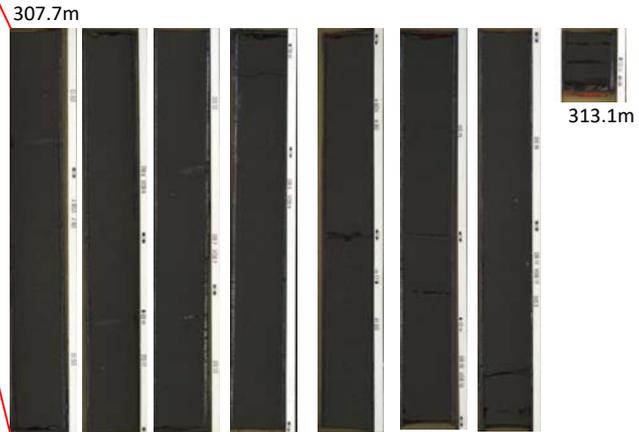
# Representative Core



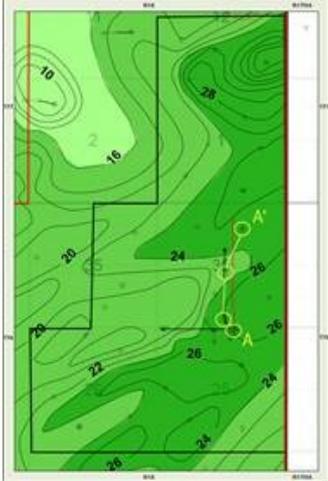
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## **L.GR1\* Core Characteristics:**

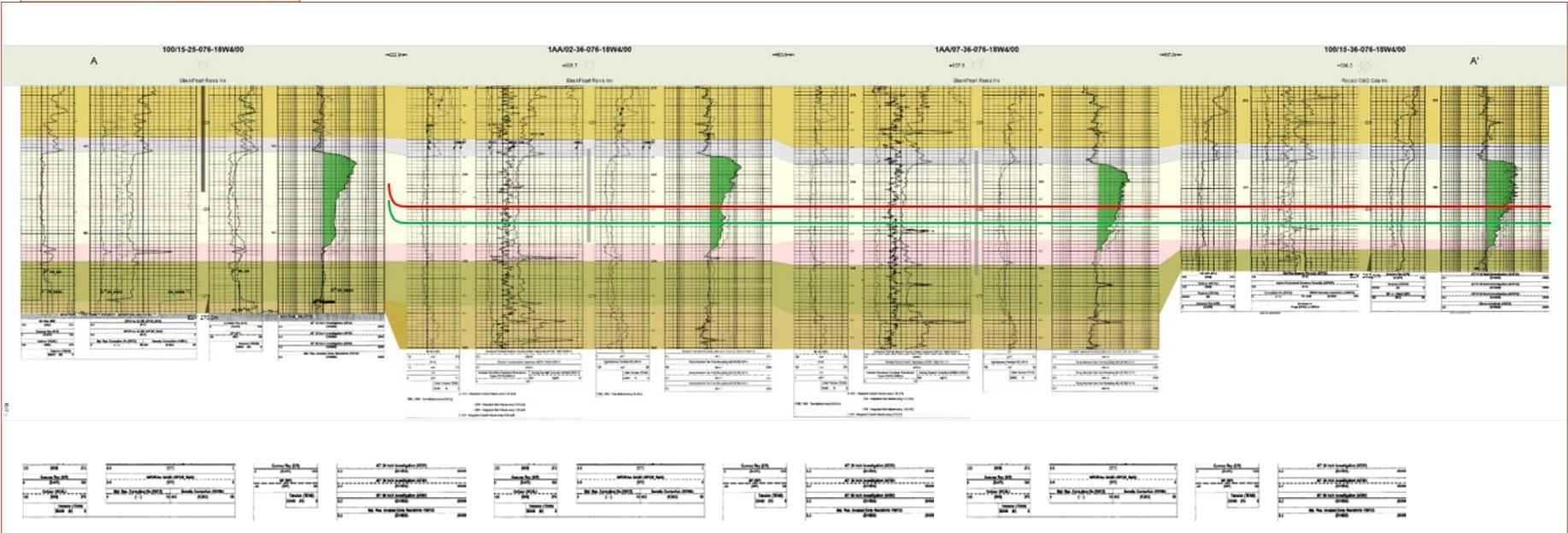
- Oil saturation: 0.60
- Bitumen weight: 11%
- Net pay thickness: 26 m
- Porosity: 36%
- Vertical permeability: 3024 mD
- Horizontal permeability: 3450 mD
- Kv/Kh: 0.88
- API Gravity: 9.8 (at 15.6 °C)



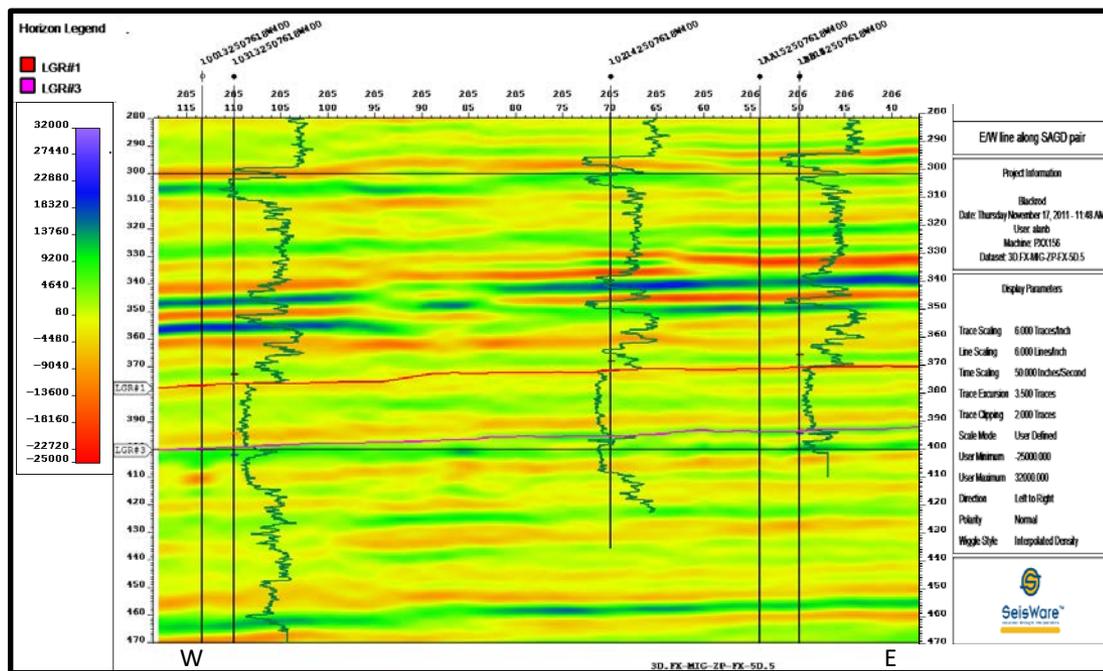
# Cross Section Through 15-36 WP3



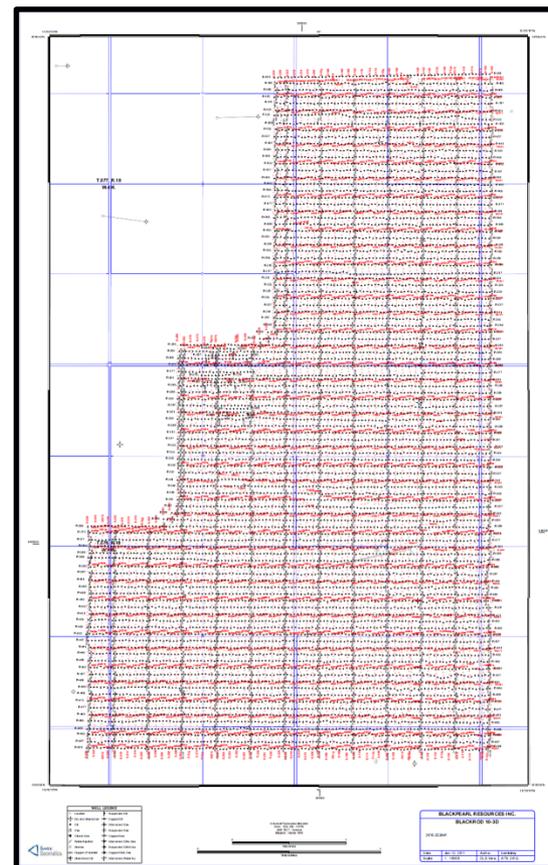
- 15-36 producer well was drilled with a minimum 5m standoff from LGR2 transition zone
- LGR2 transitions from 30% oil saturation to 100% water



# Seismic



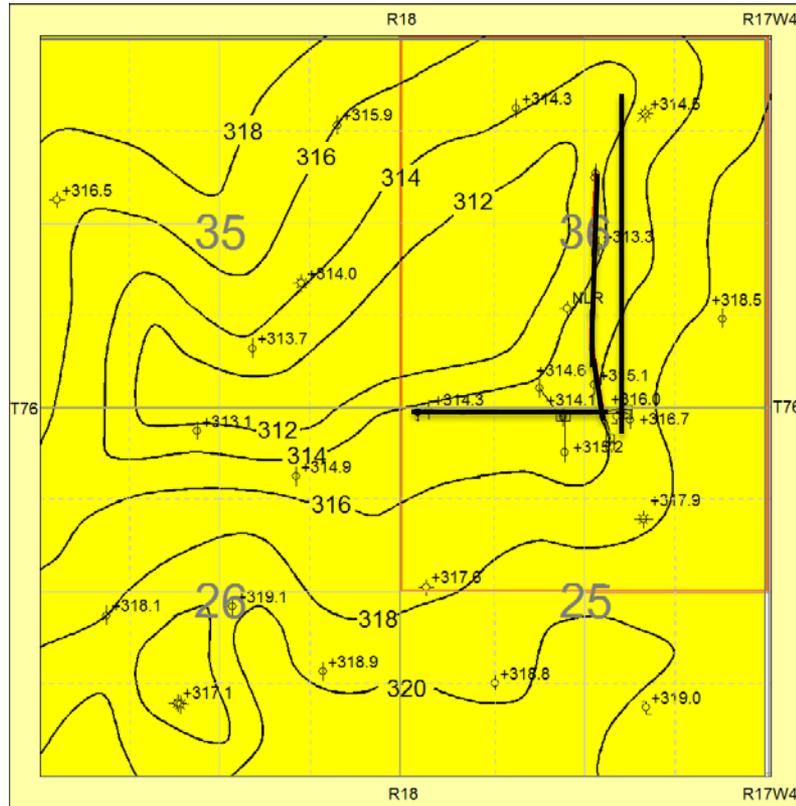
3D X-Line along 13-25 WP1



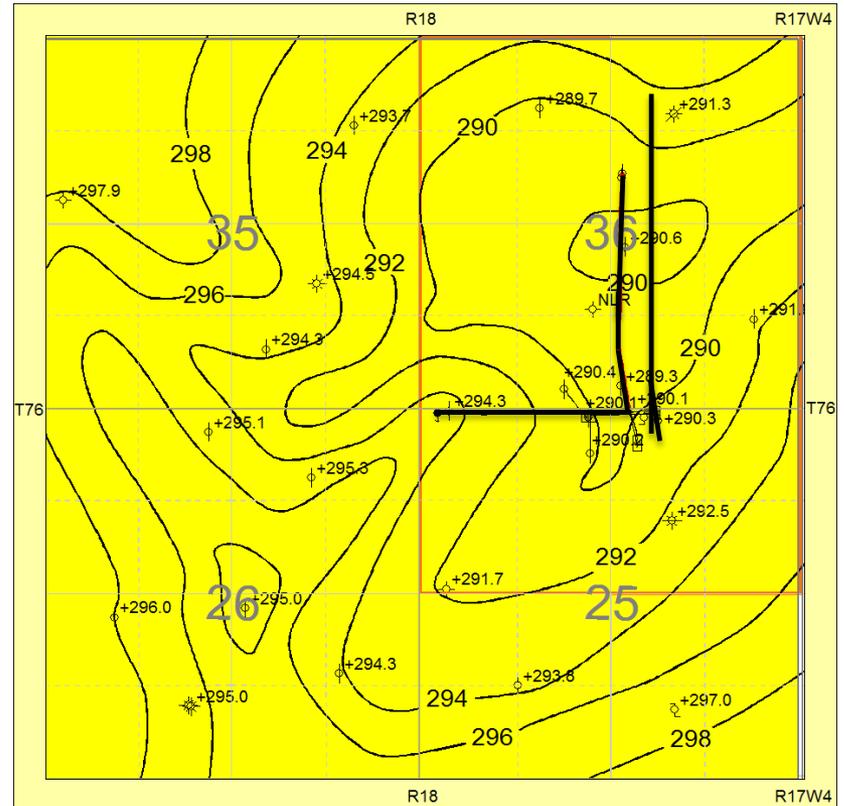
3D Seismic Area Coverage

# Structure Map

## L.GR1 TOP



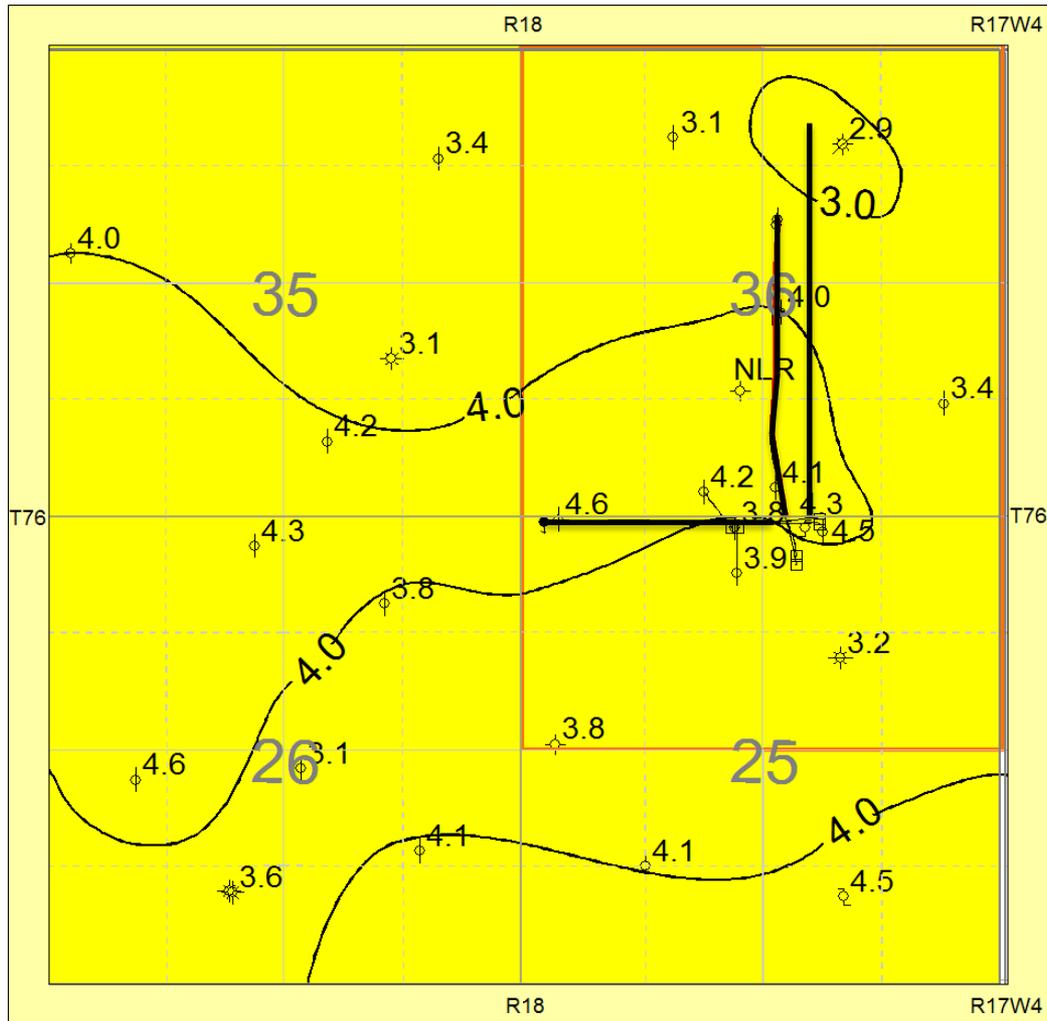
## L.GR1 BASE



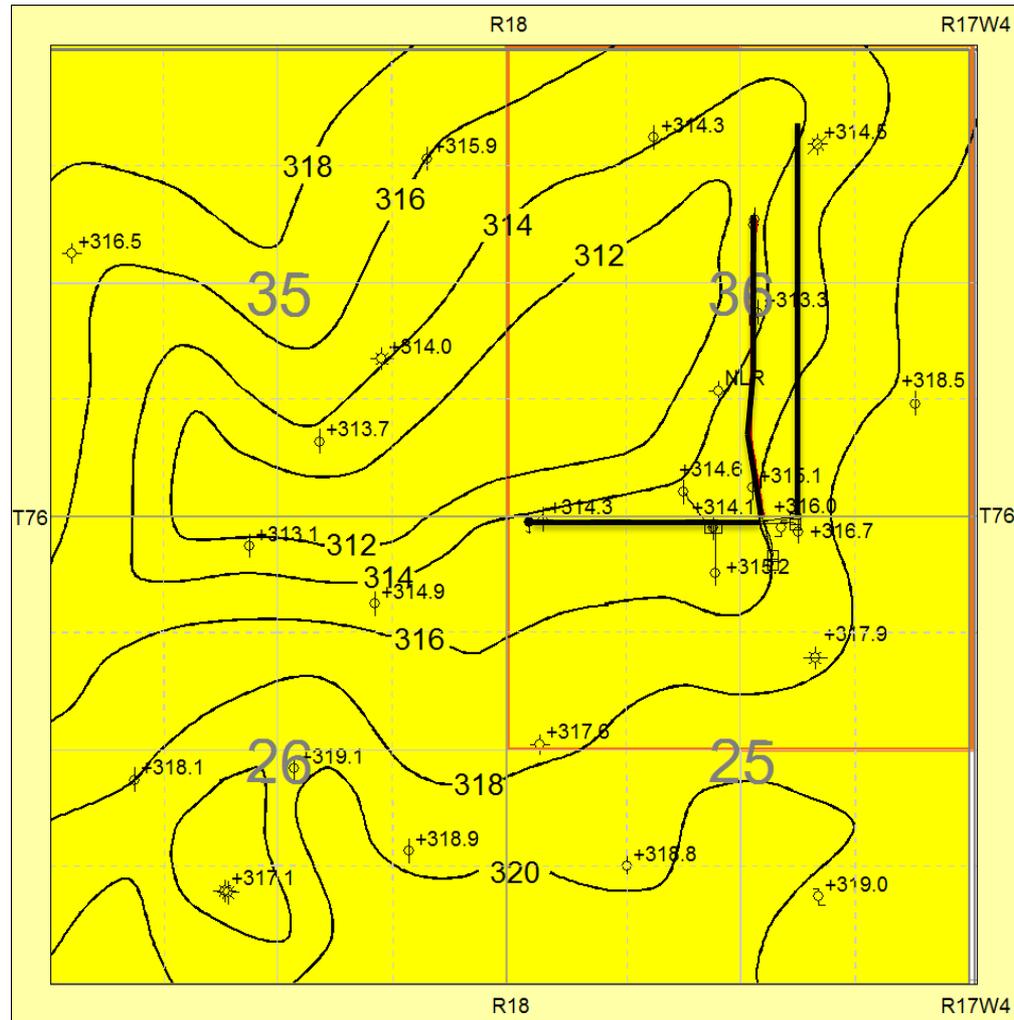
# Primary Cap Rock

- MFS (Maximum Flooding Shale)
- Directly overlays Lower Grand Rapids formation
- Regionally extensive
- 3 m average thickness
- Mini Frac Analysis:
  - Performed on the 13-25-076-18W4 OSE Core Hole
  - Initial Breakdown Pressure = 8500 kPa
  - Closure Pressure Gradient = 13.7 kPa/m

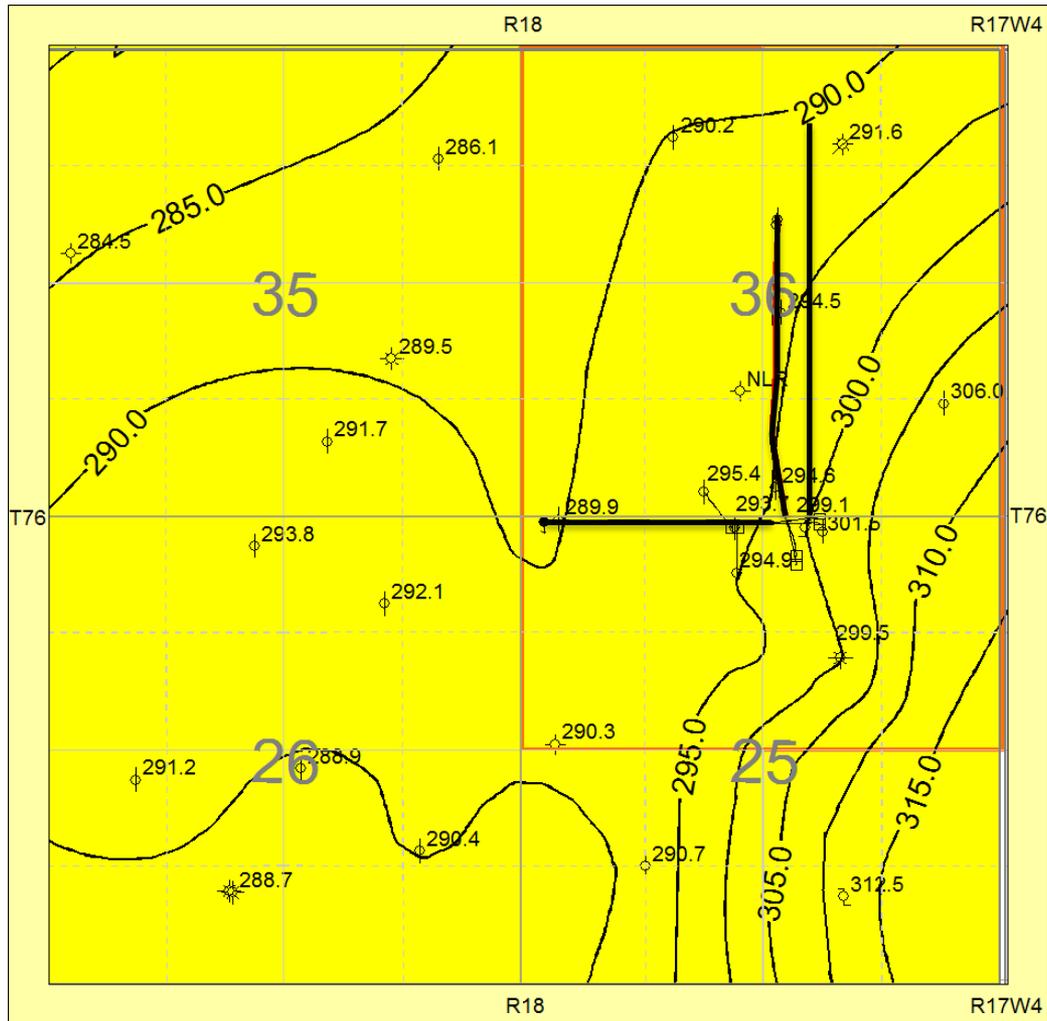
# MFS Cap Rock Isopach Map



# MFS Cap Rock Structure Map



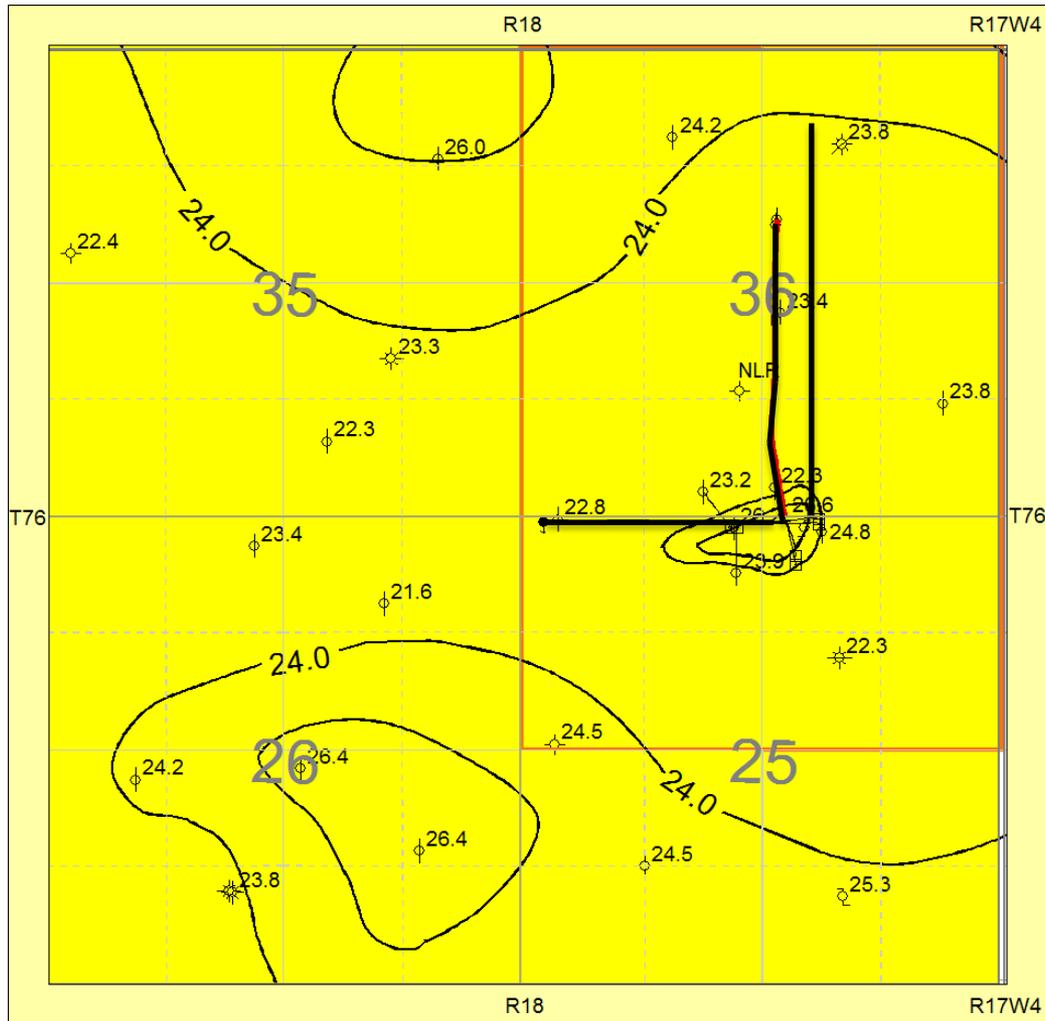
# MFS Cap Rock Base Depth Map



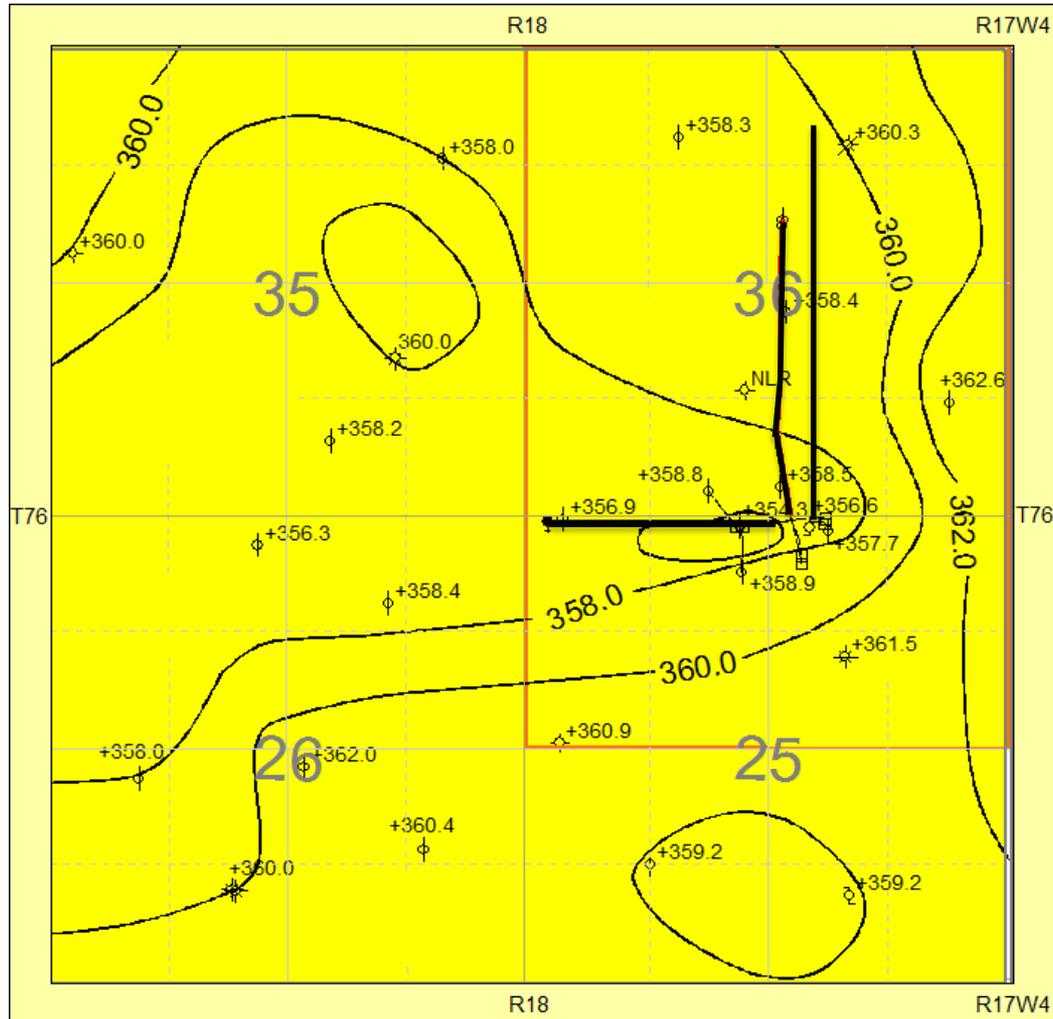
# Secondary Cap Rock

- Joli Fou formation
- 45 m above Lower Grand Rapids formation
- Regionally extensive
- 20 m average thickness
- Mini Frac Analysis:
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  - Initial Breakdown Pressure = 12,750 kPa
  - Closure Pressure Gradient Range = 19.4 kPa/m

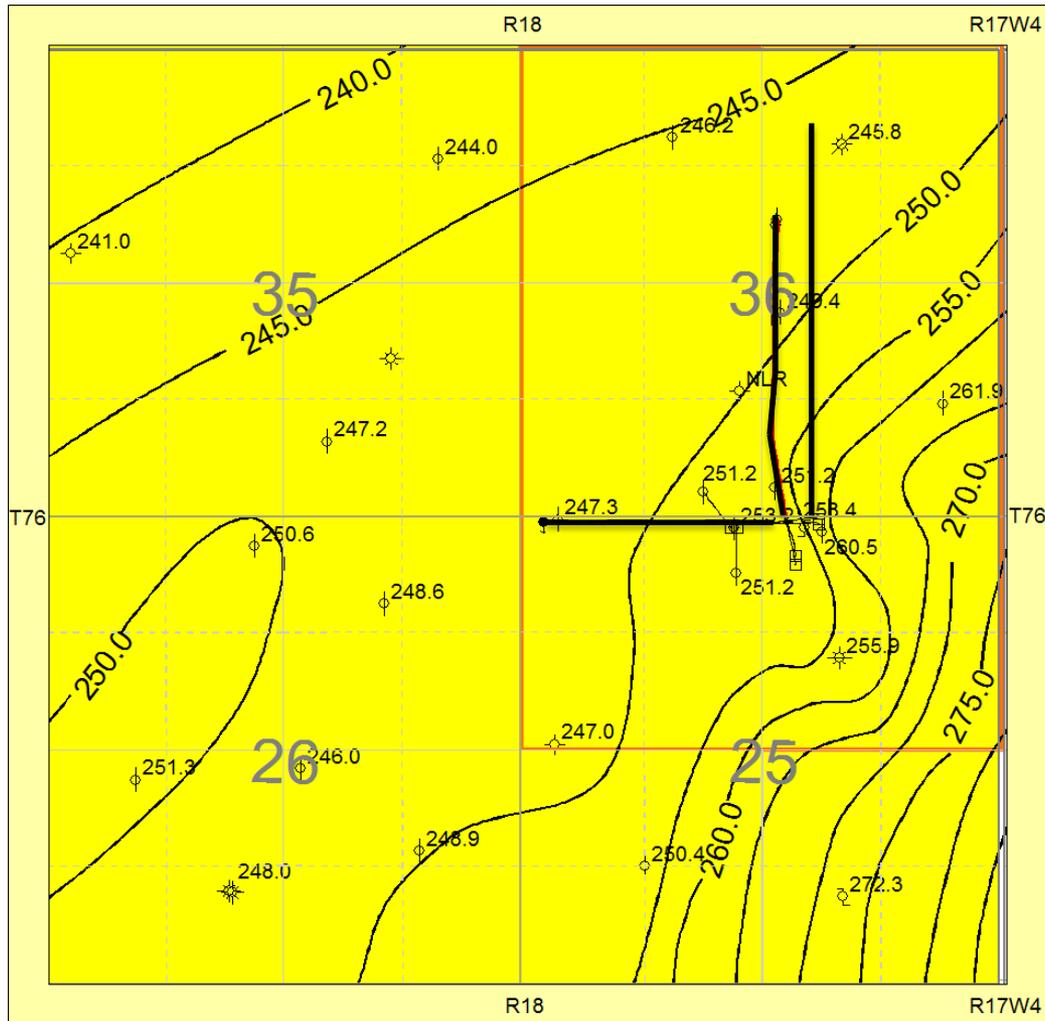
# Joli Fou Cap Rock Isopach Map



# Joli Fou Cap Rock Structure Map

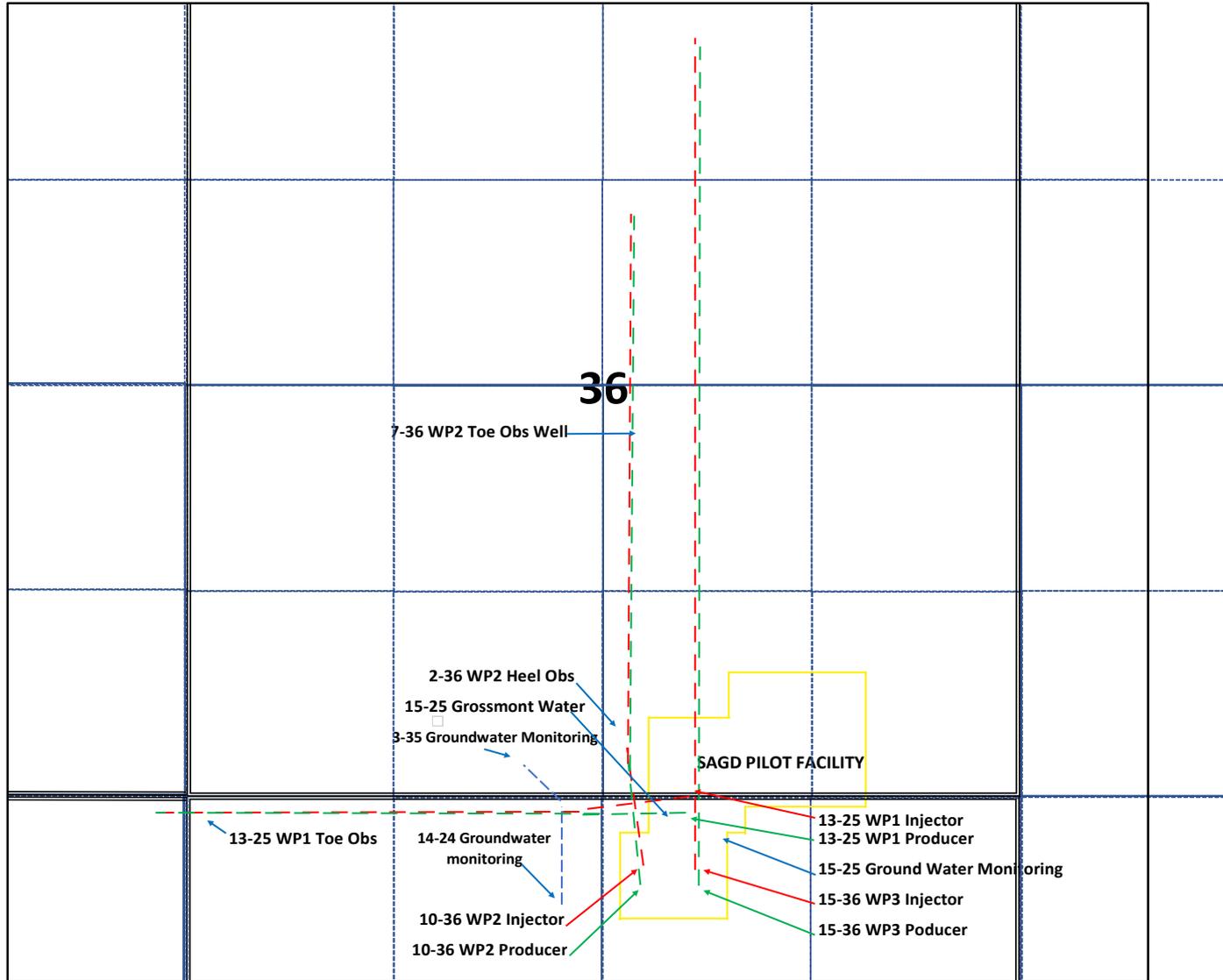


# Joli Fou Cap Rock Base Depth Map



## 3. Drilling and Completions

# Blackrod Pilot Well Network



# 10-36 WP2 - Injector



2nd SAGD PILOT INJECTOR WELL

SAGD PRODUCTION PHASE

BRI HZ INJ2 102 PORTAGE 10-36-76-18

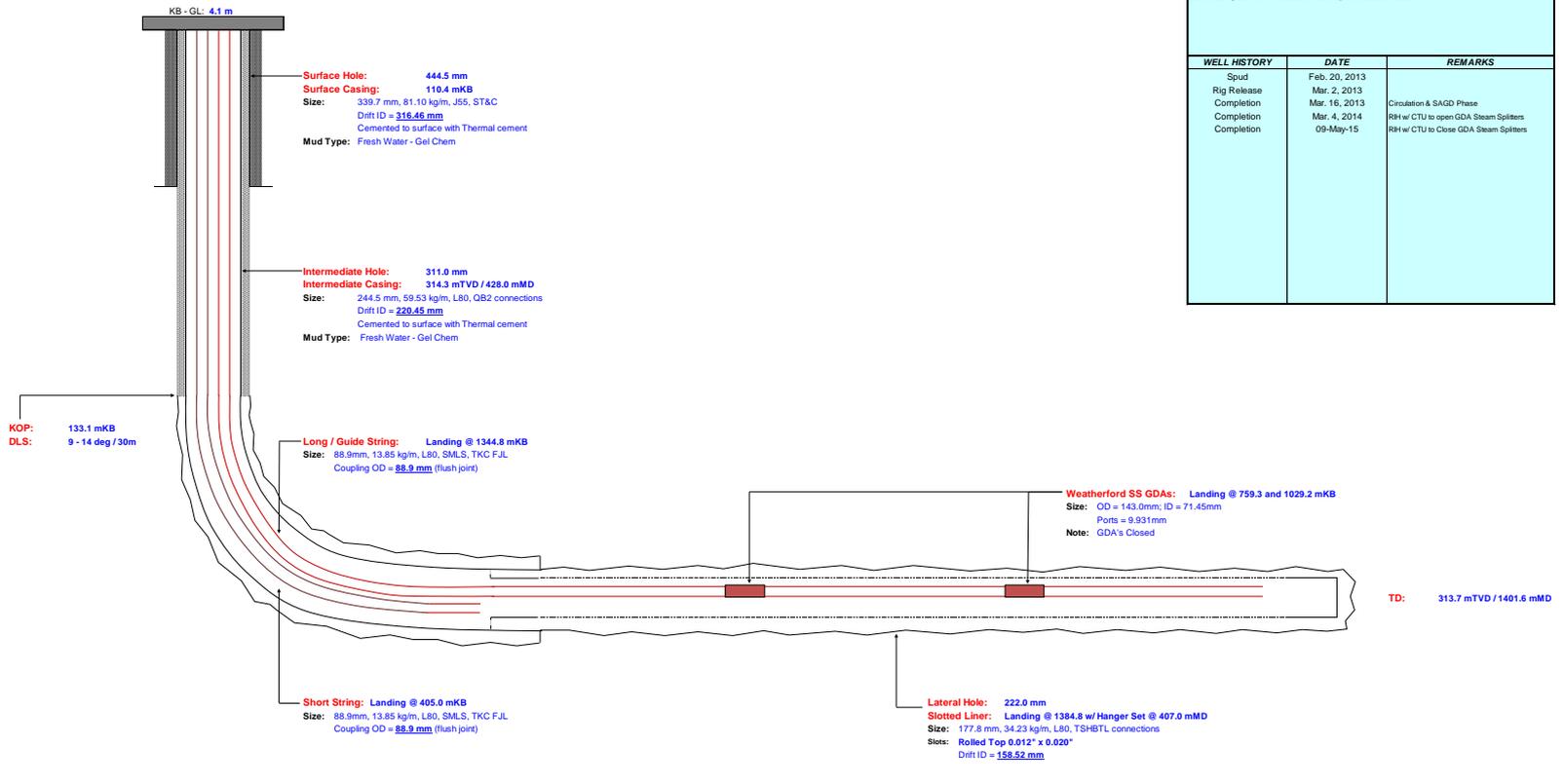
**Well Name:** BRI HZ INJ2 102 PORTAGE 10-36-76-18  
**UWI:** 102/10-36-076-18W40  
**Licence #:** 0453330

**Surface:** 134.8 m S of N Sec. 25  
**Coords:** 690.3 m W of E Sec. 25

**KB:** 617.1 m  
**GL:** 613.0 m

**Well Purpose:**  
2nd SAGD Injector Well - Circulation / Warm-up & Production Phase.

WELL HISTORY	DATE	REMARKS
Spud	Feb. 20, 2013	
Rig Release	Mar. 2, 2013	
Completion	Mar. 16, 2013	Circulation & SAGD Phase
Completion	Mar. 4, 2014	RH w/ CTU to open GDA Steam Splitters
Completion	09-May-15	RH w/ CTU to Close GDA Steam Splitters



# 10-36 WP2 – Producer (Prod. Phase)



2nd SAGD PILOT PRODUCER WELL

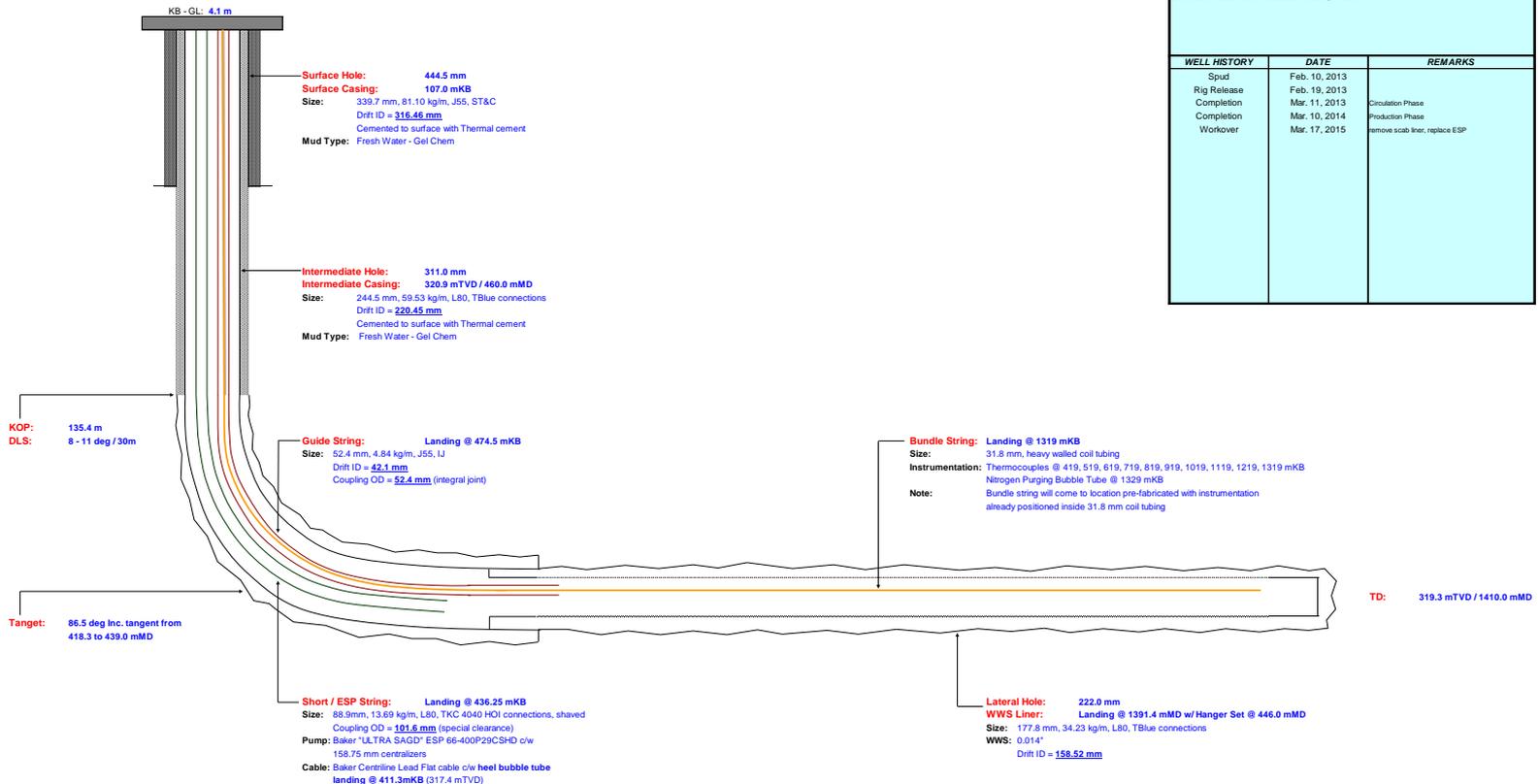
SAGD PRODUCTION PHASE

BRI HZ PRD2 100 PORTAGE 10-36-76-18

**Well Name:** BRI HZ PRD2 100 PORTAGE 10-36-76-18  
**UWI:** 100/10-36-076-18W4/0  
**Licence #:** 0453203

**Surface:** 164.8 m S of N Sec. 25  
**Coords:** 689.6 m W of E Sec. 25

**KB:** 617.3 m  
**GL:** 613.2 m



**Well Purpose:**  
 2nd SAGD Producer Well - Circulation / Warm-up Phase.

WELL HISTORY	DATE	REMARKS
Spud	Feb. 10, 2013	
Rig Release	Feb. 19, 2013	
Completion	Mar. 11, 2013	Circulation Phase
Completion	Mar. 10, 2014	Production Phase
Workover	Mar. 17, 2015	remove scab liner, replace ESP

## 10-36 WP2 – Downhole Modifications

- Injector Well:
  - No modifications
- Producer Well:
  - No modifications

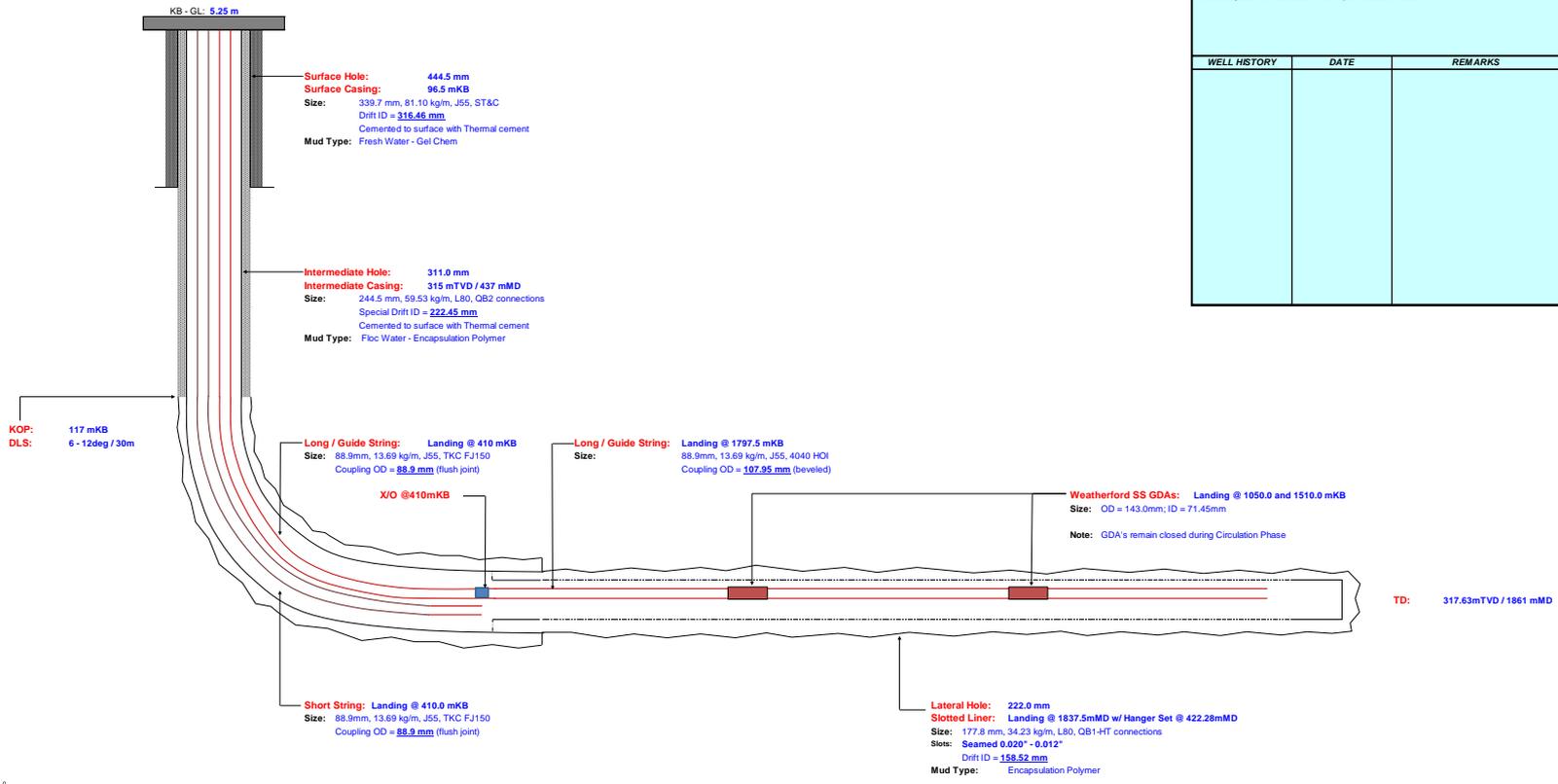
# 15-36 WP3 - Injector



## 3rd SAGD PILOT INJECTOR WELL CIRCULATION & SAGD PRODUCTION PHASE BLACKPEARL INJ3 PORTAGE 15-36-76-18

Well Name: BLACKPEARL INJ3 PORTAGE 15-36-76-18  
 UW#: 103/15-36-076-18W4/0  
 Licence #: 0493899  
 Surface: 135.6 m S of N Sec. 25  
 Coords: 640.3 m W of E Sec. 36  
 KB: 619.15 m  
 GL: 613.90 m

Well Purpose:		
3rd SAGD Injector Well - Circulation / Warm-up & Production Phase.		
WELL HISTORY	DATE	REMARKS



# 15-36 WP3 – Producer



3rd SAGD PILOT PRODUCER WELL

CIRCULATION PHASE

BLACKPEARL PRD3 PORTAGE 15-36-76-18

**Well Name:** BLACKPEARL PRD3 PORTAGE 15-36-76-18  
**UWI:** 104/15-36-076-18W40  
**Licence #:** T493913

**Surface:** 165.7 m S of N Sec. 25  
**Coords:** 639.8 m W of E Sec. 36

**KB:** 619.20 m  
**GL:** 613.90 m

KB - GL: 5.30

**Surface Hole:** 444.5 mm  
**Surface Casing:** 107.0 mKB  
**Size:** 339.7 mm, 81.10 kg/m, J55, ST&C  
**Drift ID = 316.46 mm**  
 Cemented to surface with Thermal cement  
**Mud Type:** Fresh Water - Gel Chem

**Intermediate Hole:** 311.0 mm  
**Intermediate Casing:** 323.1 mTVD / 489.00 mMD  
**Size:** 244.5 mm, 59.53 kg/m, L80, OB2 connections  
**Special Drift ID = 222.45 mm**  
 Cemented to surface with Thermal cement  
**Mud Type:** Flocc Water - Encapsulation Polymer

**KOP:** 132 m  
**DLS:** 3 - 11.7deg / 30m

**Long / Guide String:** Landing @ 460mKB  
**Size:** 88.9mm, 13.69 kg/m, J55, SMLS, TKC FJ150  
**Coupling OD = 88.9 mm** (flush joint)

**Long / Guide String:** Landing @ 1800mKB  
**Size:** 88.9mm, 13.69 kg/m, J55, 4040 HOI  
**Coupling OD = 107.95 mm** (beveled)

**Bundle String:** Landing @ 1840mKB  
**Size:** 31.8 mm, heavy walled coil tubing  
**Instrumentation:** Fiber  
**Note:** Nitrogen Purging Bubble Tube @ 1840 mKB  
 Bundle string will come to location with fiber already pumped inside 31.8 mm coil tubing

X/O @ 460 mKB

**Tangent/Soft:** 88-90deg soft landing from landing: 450 to 489 mMD

**Short String:** Landing @ 460mKB  
**Size:** 88.9mm, 13.69 kg/m, J55, TKC FJ150  
**Coupling OD = 88.9 mm** (flush joint)

**Lateral Hole:** 222.0 mm  
**FCD and WWS:** Landed @ 1862mKB w/ Liner Hanger Set @ 471.1 mMD  
**Size:** 177.8 mm, 34.23 kg/m, L80, OB1-HT connections  
**WWS:** 0.014"  
**Drift ID = 158.52 mm**  
**Mud Type:** Encapsulation Polymer

**TD:** 322 mTVD / 1885 mMD

**Well Purpose:**  
3rd SAGD Producer Well - Circulation / Warm-up Phase.

WELL HISTORY	DATE	REMARKS

## 4. Artificial Lift

# Electrical Submersible Pump

- Fluid production via “Ultra Temp” Electrical Submersible Pumps (ESP)
- ESP advantages:
  - Operate and lift fluids at controlled downhole pressures
  - Maintain continuous fluid production
- Variable Flow Drive (VFD) utilized to control pump speed and production rates
- WP2 ESP ran for +1600 prior to failing in Sept 2019

## 5. Well Instrumentation

## 10-36 WP2 – Obs Wells

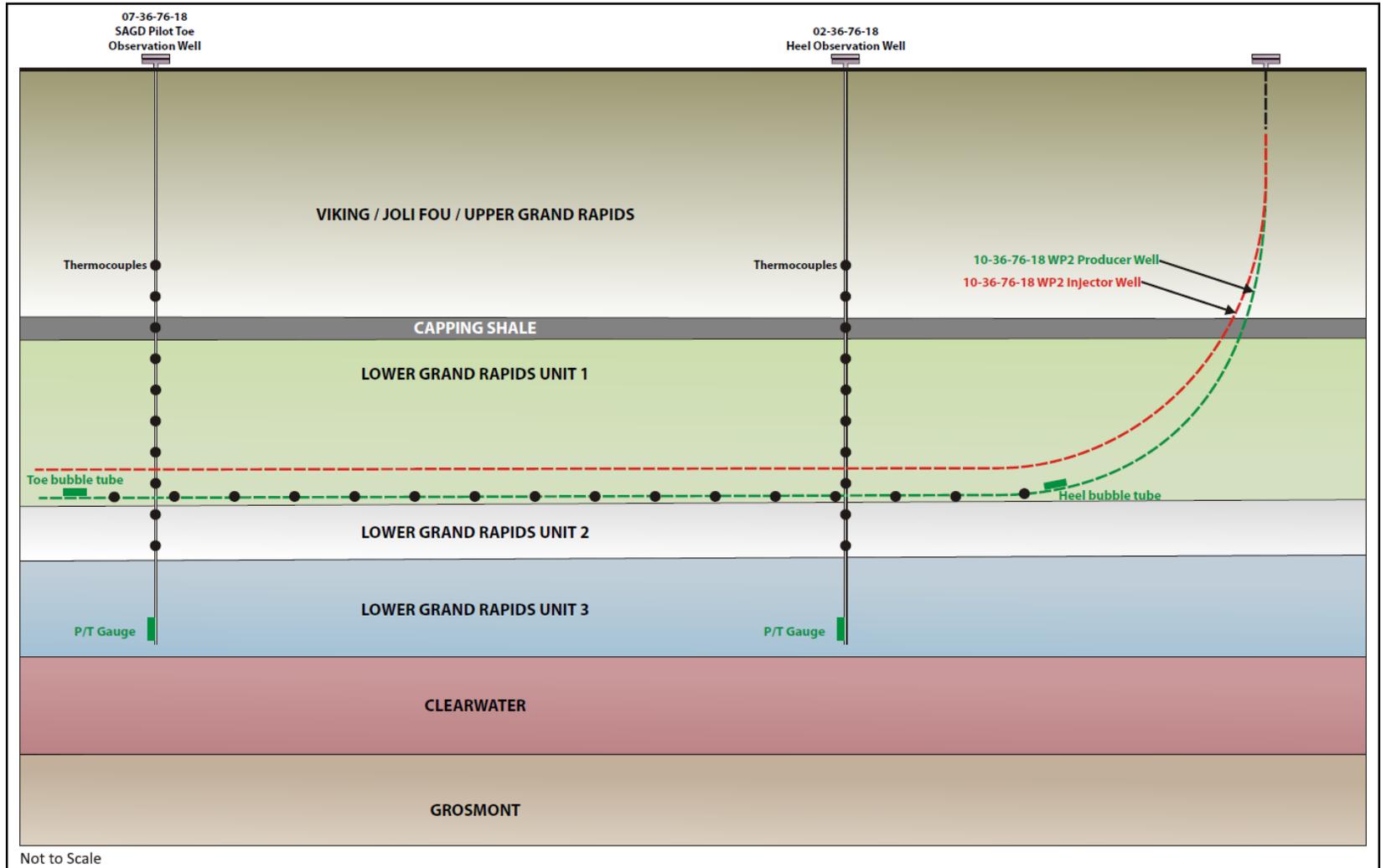
- Toe Obs Well:

- 100/07-36-076-18W4
- 17.5 m West of WP2
- Thermocouples to monitor temperature above, below, and within L.GR1
- P/T gauge to monitor pressure & temperature within L.GR3 aquifer

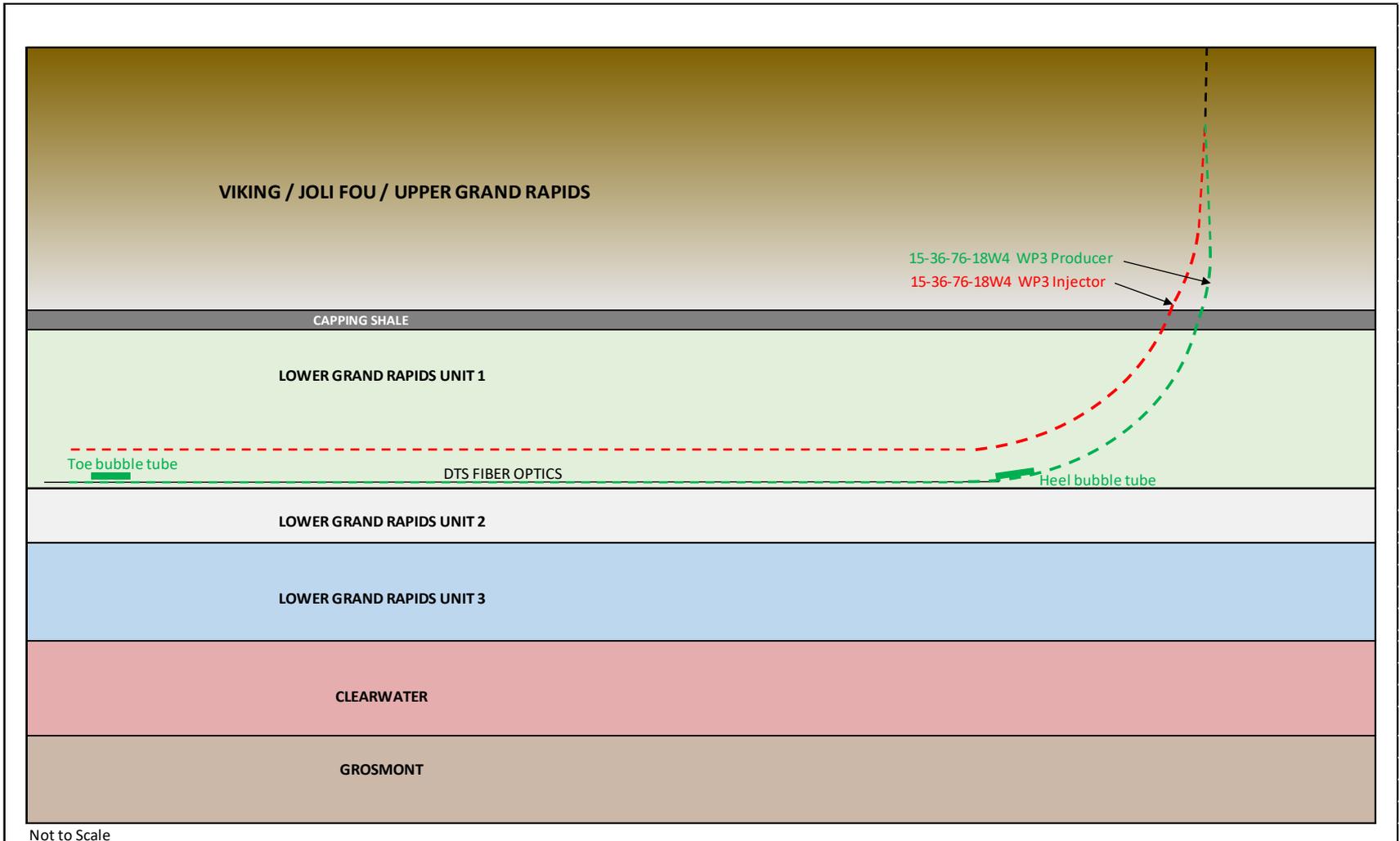
- Heel Obs Well:

- 100/02-36-076-18W4
- 16.1 m East of WP2
- Thermocouples to monitor temperature above, below, and within L.GR1
- P/T gauge to monitor pressure & temperature within L.GR3 aquifer

# 10-36 WP2 – Instrumentation Overview



# 15-36 WP3 – Instrumentation Overview



# Groundwater Monitoring Wells

- 100/03-36-076-18W4 GWM:
  - Directionally drilled from 14-25 lease
  - PCP to sample/analyze non-saline L.GR3 H<sub>2</sub>O
  - P/T gauge to monitor pressure & temperature within L.GR3 aquifer
- 100/14-25-076-18W4 GWM:
  - Directionally drilled from 14-25 lease
  - PCP to sample/analyze non-saline L.GR3 H<sub>2</sub>O
  - P/T gauge to monitor pressure & temperature within L.GR3 aquifer
- 100/15-25-076-18W4 GWM:
  - PCP to sample/analyze non-saline Viking H<sub>2</sub>O
  - P/T gauge to monitor pressure & temperature within Viking aquifer

## 6. Scheme Performance

## 10-36 WP2 Performance as of Dec 31, 2019

- 71 months of SAGD Production Phase
- Maturing steam chamber / Oil production in decline
- Oil production currently averaging 56 m<sup>3</sup>/d

## 10-36 WP2 Summary

- Applied Learnings:
  - Improved well design (i.e. longer HZ section and WWS for sand control)
- Objective(s):
  - Evaluate SAGD performance from a commercial well pair prototype
  - Target 100% up-time
- Well Placement:
  - “Cautious” placement above L. GR Unit 3 Bottom Water

## 10-36 WP2 Key Learnings

- Longer ramp-up periods now expected at Blackrod
- WWS favorable to the Blackrod L. GR reservoir
- Scab liner effective in protecting ESP and facilitating heat conformance across HZ section
- Heat conformance can be achieved across 950+ m HZ section

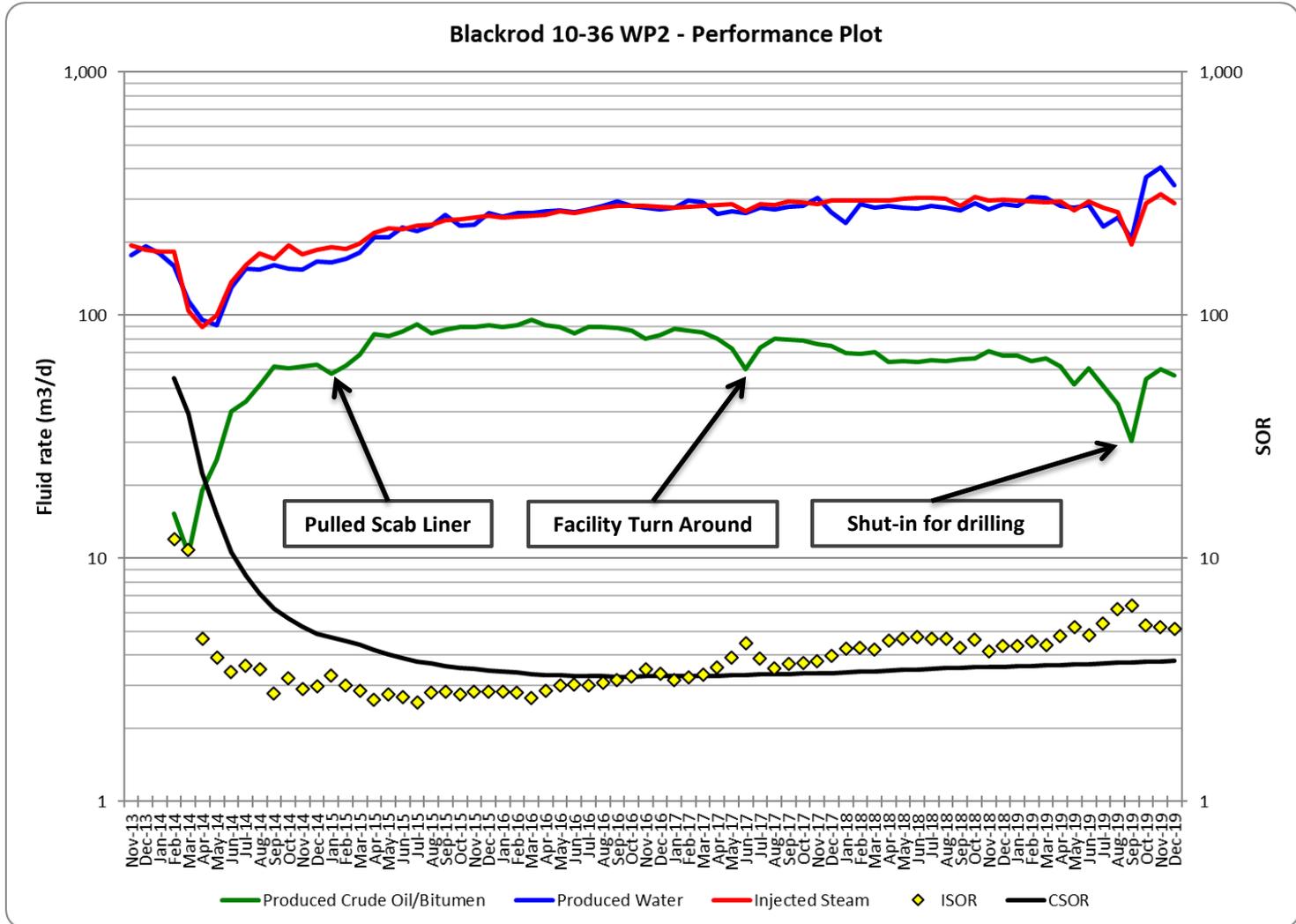
## 10-36 WP2 Oil Production as of Dec 31, 2019

- Cumulative Production = 147,600 m<sup>3</sup>
- Recovery = 26.2%
- Ultimate Recovery = 40 - 50%
- CSOR including Circ. Phase = 3.80
- CSOR during Prod. Phase only = 3.65
- Average Rate during Prod. Phase = 68.32 m<sup>3</sup>/day (429.66 bopd)
- Current Rate = 56.37 m<sup>3</sup>/day (354.5 bopd)

## 10-36 WP2 Steam Injection as of Dec 31, 2019

- Average Steam Chamber Pressure = 2070 kPa
- Average Surface Steam Temperature = 265 °C
- Wellhead Steam Quality = 95 – 100%

# 10-36 WP2 Performance Plot



# 15-36 WP3 Summary

- Objective(s):
  - Evaluate heat conformance across a longer Hz lateral
  - Evaluate new completion including flow control devices
  - Target 100% up-time
- Well Placement:
  - Producer well placed 5m above LGR2 Transition Zone
  - Targeted 5.5m separation between injector and producer
  - Well drilled south to north 120m east of WP2



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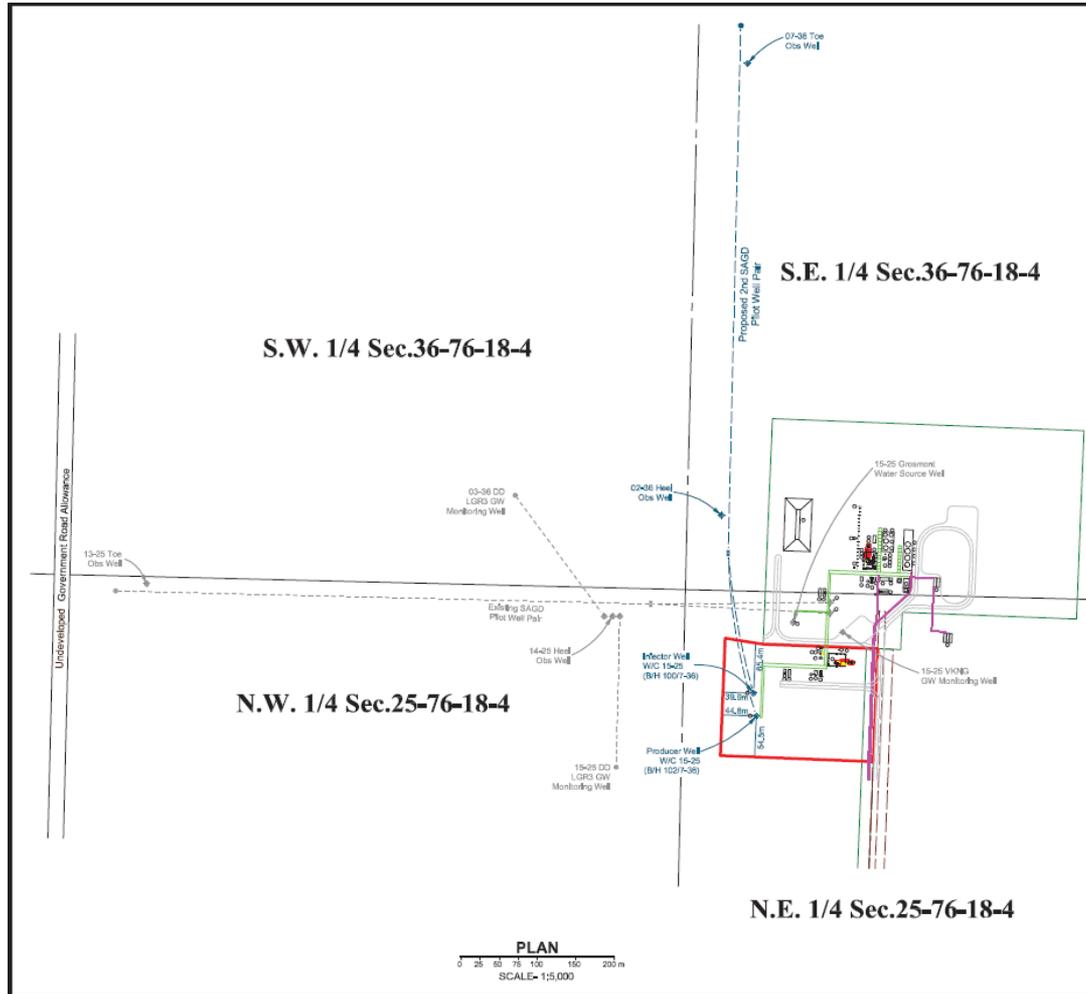
# Surface Operations Agenda

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2. Measurement & Reporting
3. Water Source
4. Disposal
5. Environmental
6. Compliance Statement

# Blackrod Surface Operations

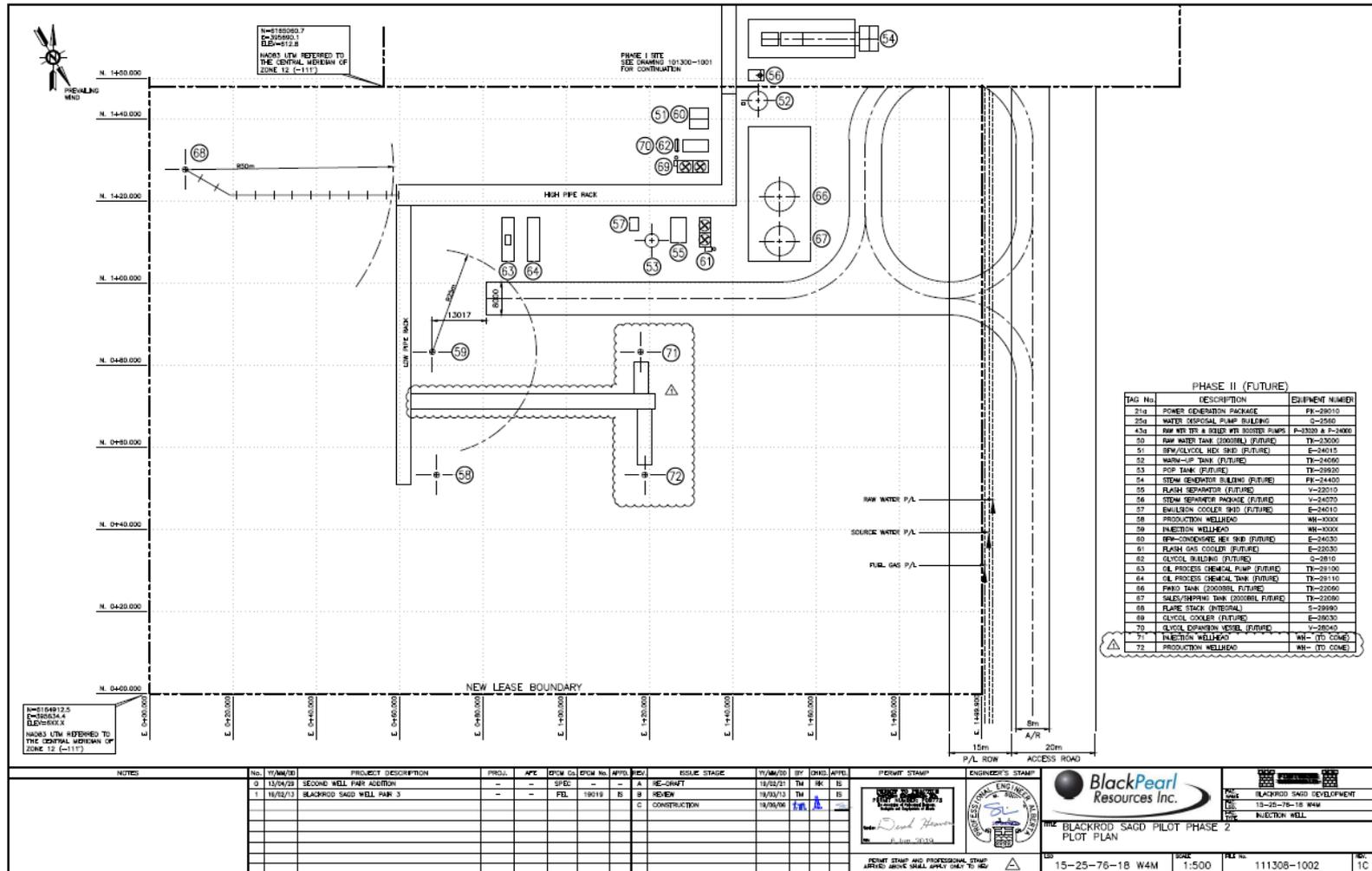
## 1. Facilities

# Pilot Facility Overview





# Pilot Facility Plot Plan (cont.)



# Pilot Facility Performance

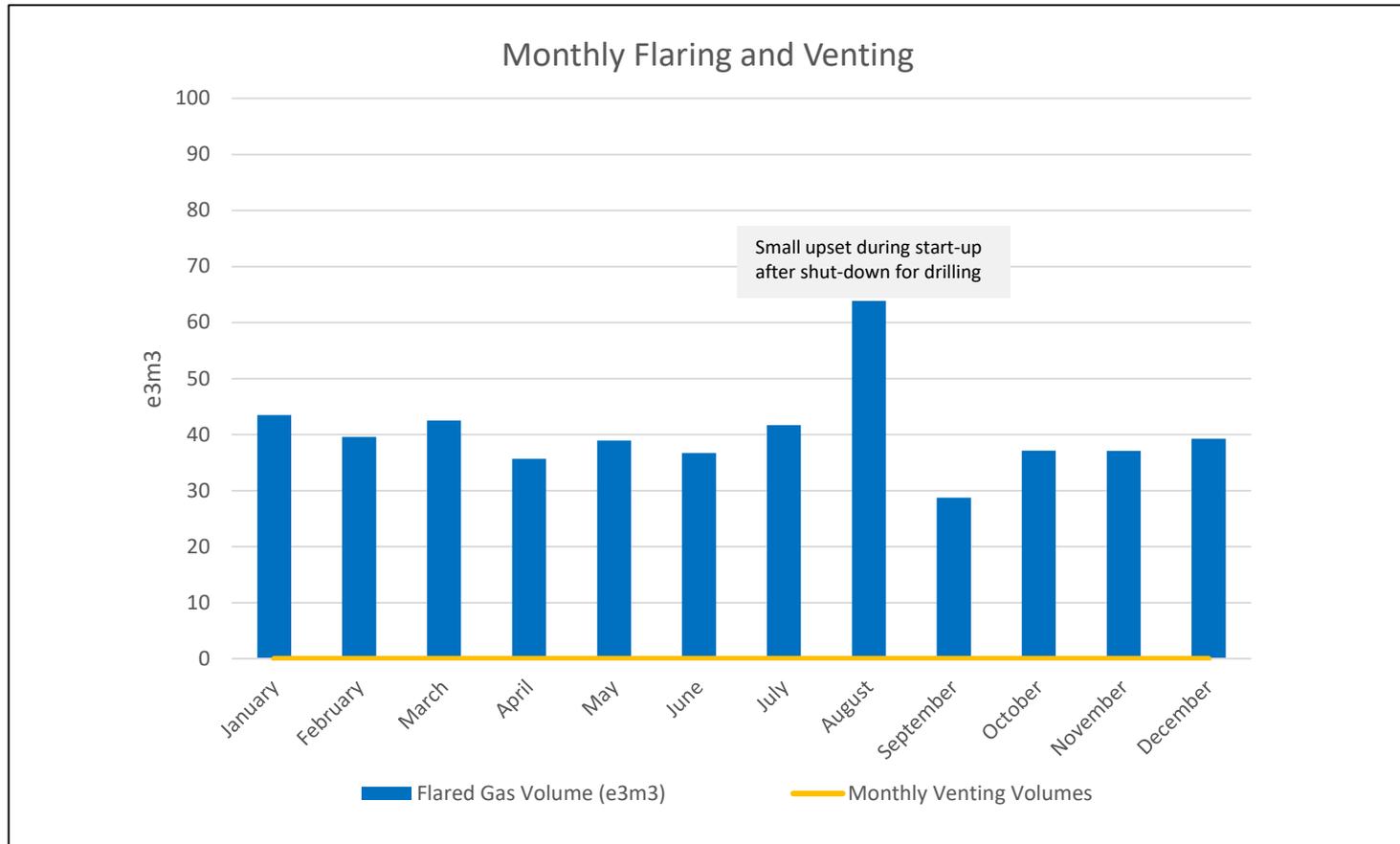
- No issues with bitumen treatment, water treatment, or steam generation
- Pilot Facility uptime 97.3% in 2019
- Generated steam, produced bitumen, produced water, and produced gas volumes reported to Petrinex
- Pilot facility is reported as single well battery, therefore no proration factors
- Purchased gas volumes reported to Petrinex
- Flared gas volumes reported to AER and Petrinex
- SO<sub>2</sub> & No<sub>x</sub> emissions and ambient air quality data submitted to AER both monthly and annually as per terms of EPEA Approval 00264736-00-02
- GHG emissions reporting not required for Blackrod Pilot Facility as per terms of EPEA Approval 00264736-00-02

# Pilot Facility Monthly Volumes

2019	Steam Generated (m <sup>3</sup> )	Bitumen Volumes (m <sup>3</sup> )	Produced Water Volumes (m <sup>3</sup> )	Purchased Gas (e <sup>3</sup> m <sup>3</sup> )	Produced Gas (e <sup>3</sup> m <sup>3</sup> )	Fuel Gas to Flare Volume (e3m3)	Flared Gas Volume (e <sup>3</sup> m <sup>3</sup> )
January	10294.4	2111	8744.9	877.7	29	15	43
February	12108.1	1819	8612	797	26	13	40
March	10388.1	2055	9464.8	856	16	27	43
April	10044.6	1844	8432.9	828	15	21	36
May	9983	1612	8598	792	14	25	39
June	8319.1	1817	8556.2	837	14	23	37
July	10200.7	1582	7210	820	12	30	42
August	10064	1335	7804	822	10	54	64
September	7696	916	6162	616	9	20	29
October	11262.7	1693	11470	931	13	24	37
November	11444	1808	12215	950	13	24	37
December	11139	1747.6	10584	958	12	27	39
<b>Total</b>	<b>122943.86</b>	<b>20339.6</b>	<b>107853.1</b>	<b>10084.7</b>	<b>181.74</b>	<b>303</b>	<b>484.51</b>

- Fuel gas is combined with produced gas upstream of flare to maintain a minimum lower heating value of 12MJ/m<sup>3</sup>

# Pilot Facility Monthly Volumes



# Pilot Facility Modifications

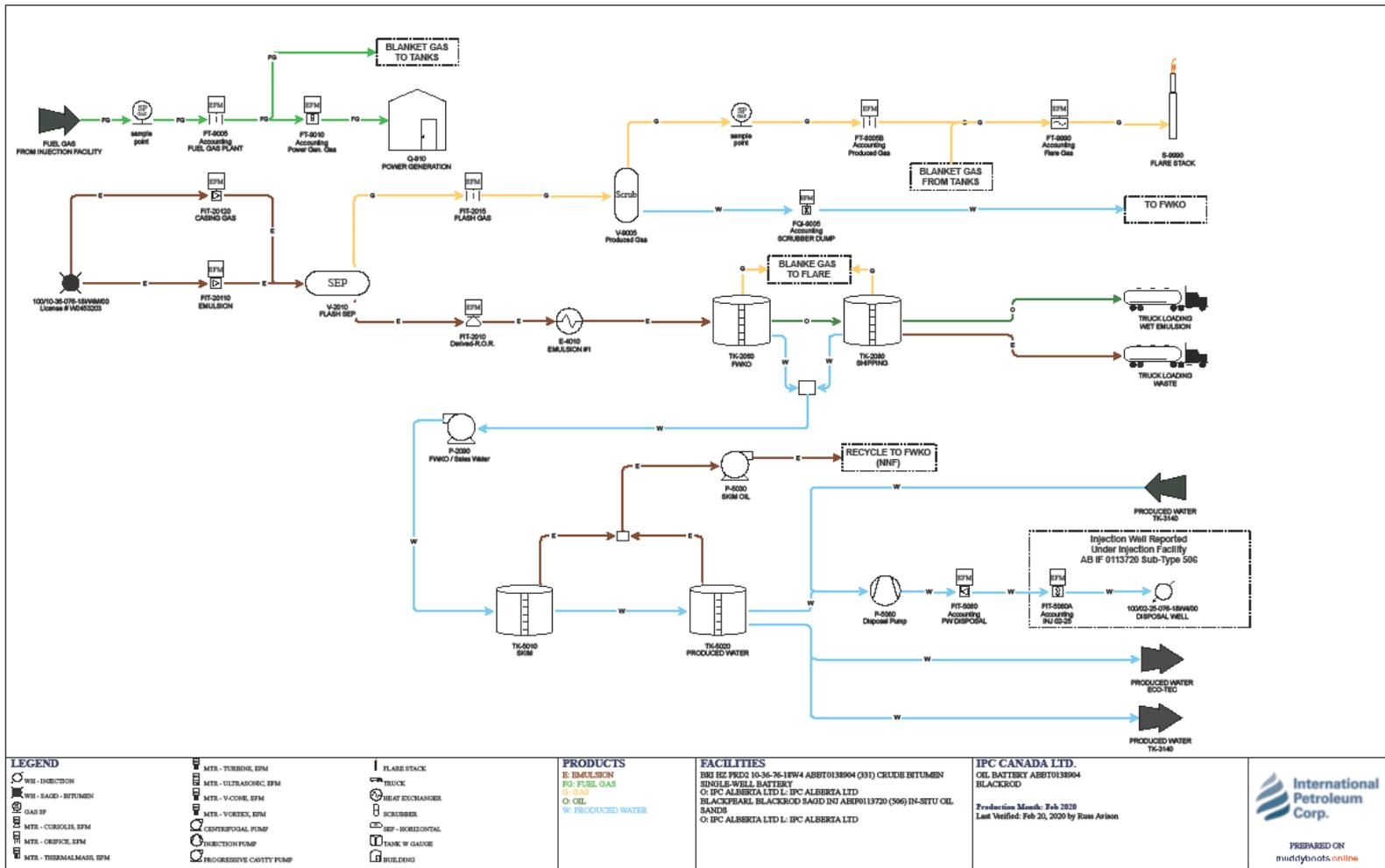
- Installed produced water treatment package in preparation for completing 1 year trial.
- Commissioning is ongoing, no water has been treated to date.

## 2. Measurement & Reporting

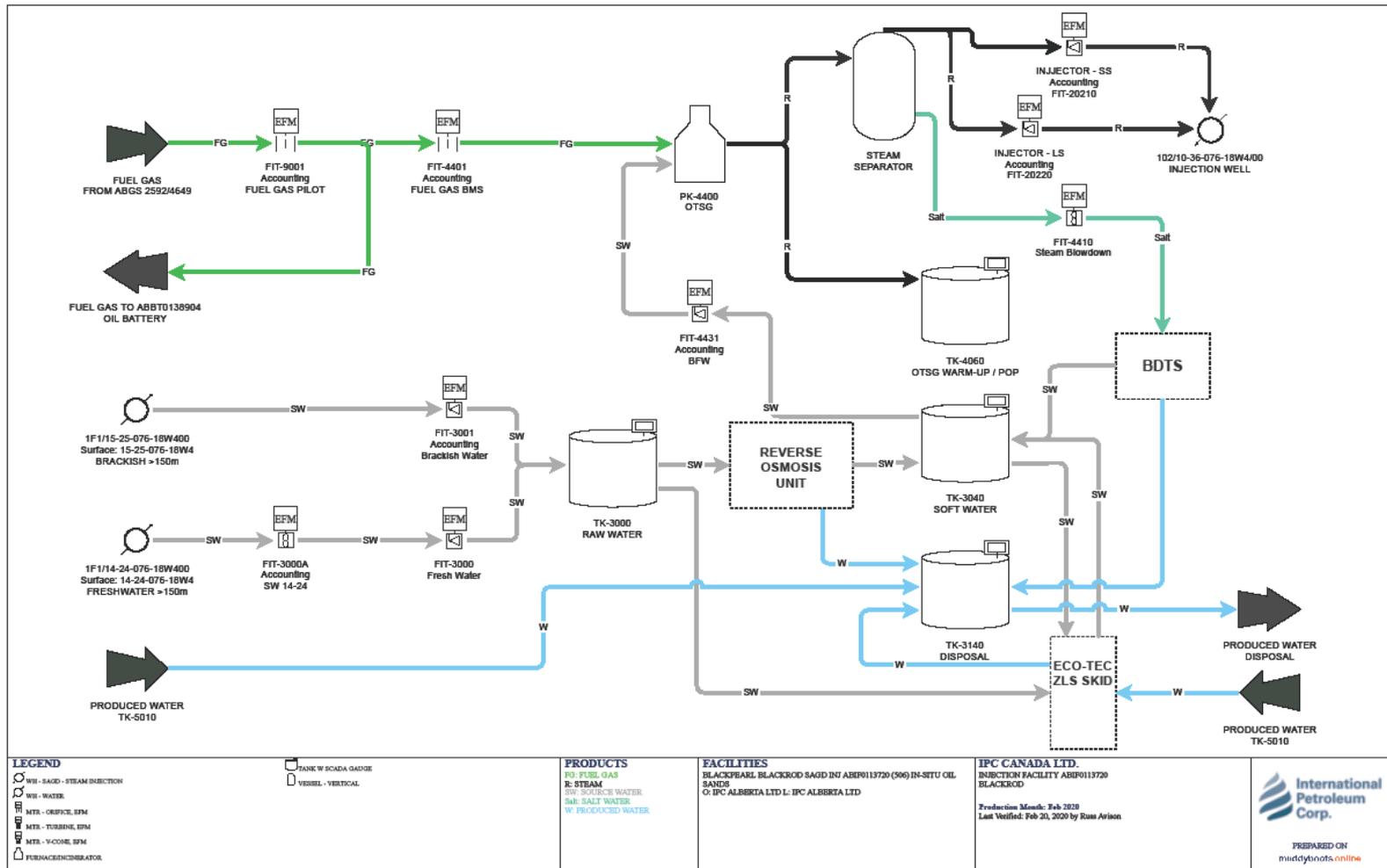
# Blackrod MARP

- IPC remains compliant with AER Directive 017 as well as Directive 042 as per the terms of our approved MARP (Measurement, Accounting, and Reporting Plan)
- To validate compliance with Directive 017 and Directive 042, IPC performs a detailed EPAP (Enhanced Production Audit Program) review annually as per Directive 076 with an independent consulting group

# Process Flow Diagram



# Process Flow Diagram (cont.)

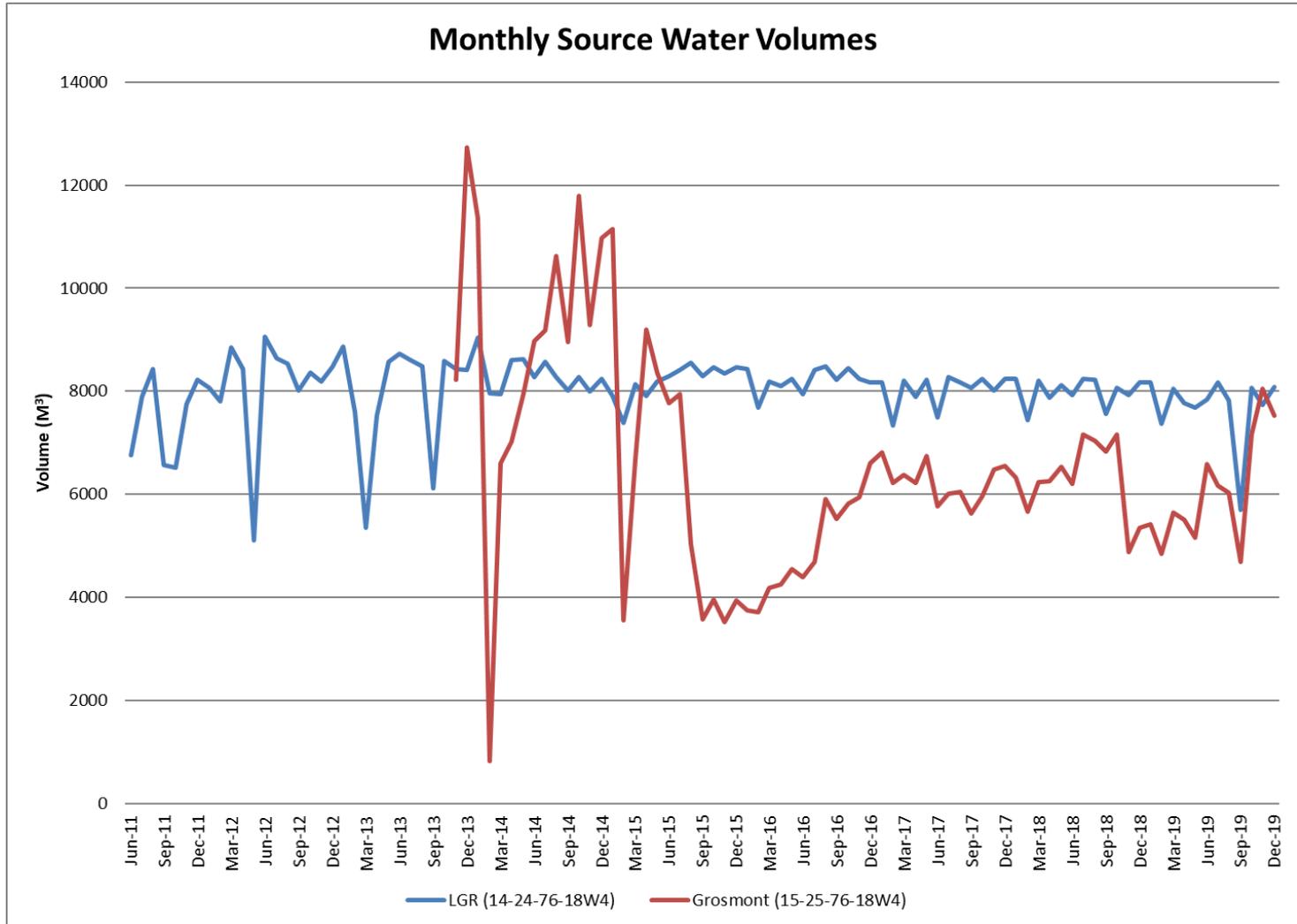


## 3. Water Source

# Blackrod Water Source(s)

- 1F1/14-24-076-18W4 L.GR3 WSW:
  - Non-saline (~3700 TDS)
  - AER Water Act Licence No. 00308617-01-00 valid until Jun 2019
  - Approved for 109,500 m<sup>3</sup> annually
  - Production volumes reported to AER and Petrinex
  - 100/14-24-076-18W4 monitoring well 20 m North of 1F1/14-24 WSW
  - No issues with water softening process
- 1F1/15-25-076-18W4 Grosmont Member D WSW:
  - Saline (~13,800 TDS)
  - No issues with saline treatment process

# Blackrod Water Source(s)

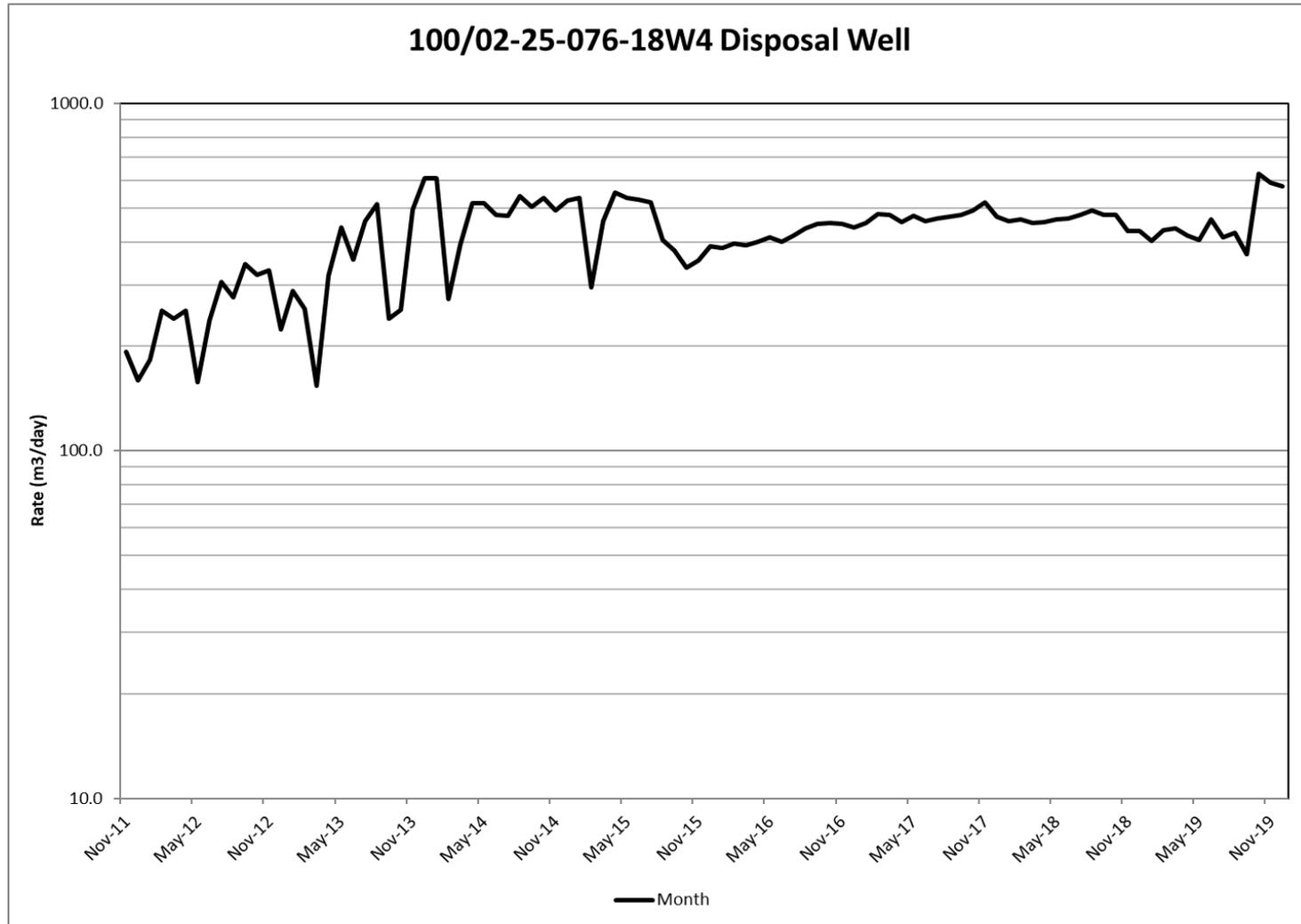


## 4. Disposal

# Blackrod Disposal

- Produced Water:
  - 100/02-25-076-18W4 Class 1b Disposal Well
  - AER Scheme Approval No. 11703A
  - Disposal into Grosmont Members B, A
  - Maximum wellhead injection pressure of 6300 kPa
  - This well continues to operate on vacuum with no pressure at the wellhead
  - All disposal volumes reported to Petrinex

# Blackrod Disposal



Annual volume of high-quality nonsaline make-up water was less than 500,00 m<sup>3</sup>, therefore Blackrod facility is exempt from disposal limit.

## 5. Environmental Issues

# Blackrod Environmental

- No environmental issues to date
- IPC remains compliant with the terms of AER Approval No. 264736-00-00:
  - CPP (Caribou Protection Plan)
  - Air Monitoring
  - Groundwater Monitoring
  - Soil Monitoring
  - Etc.

## 6. Compliance

# Blackrod Compliance Programs

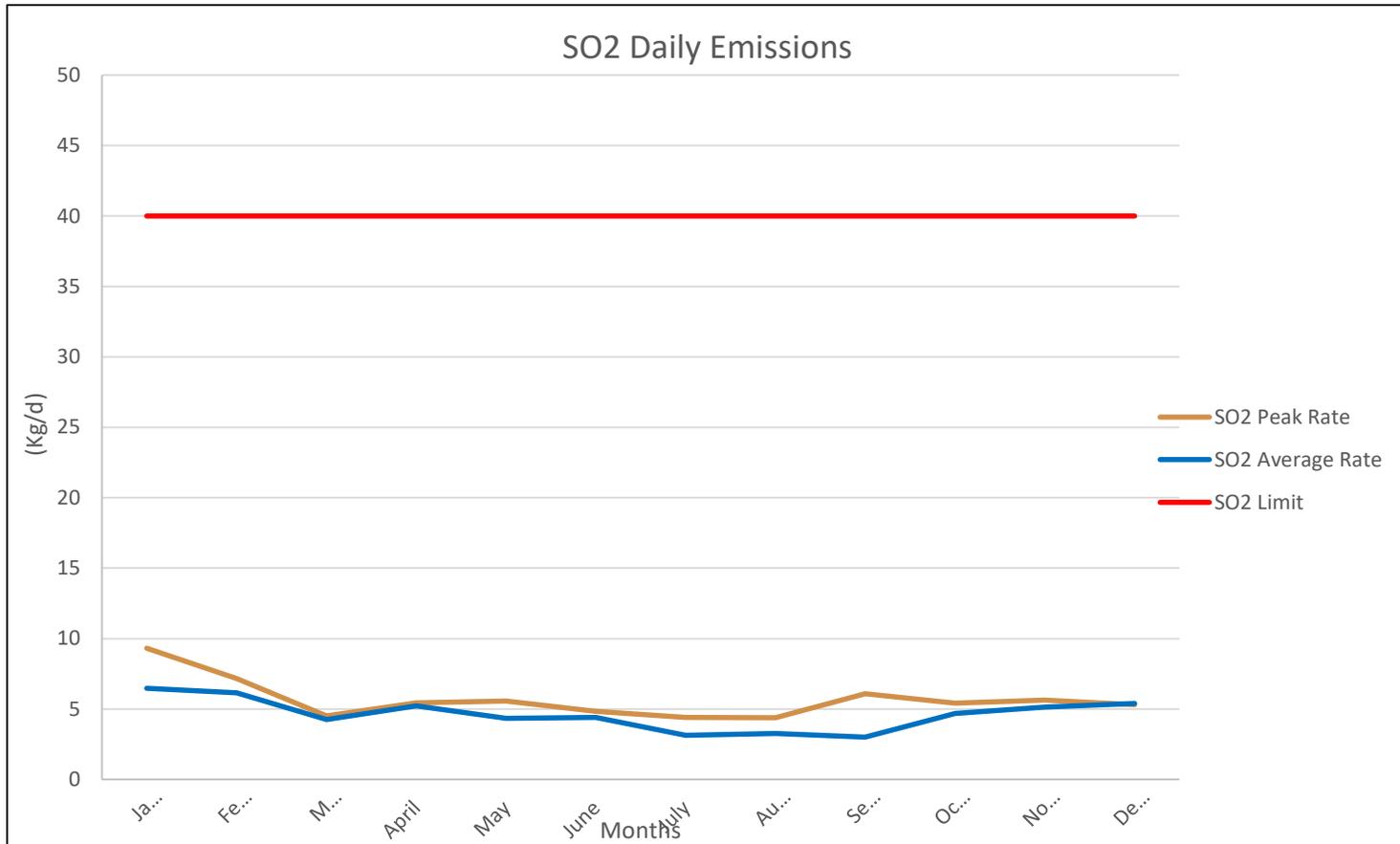
- Passive air monitoring stations, no exceedance of SO<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>x</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>S emissions
- Industrial Waste (i.e. sewage, sludge, etc.) trucked out to third party disposal facilities.
- All Industrial Runoff was within parameters and pumped off lease
- GHG emissions reporting not required for Blackrod Pilot Facility as per terms of EPEA Approval 00264736-00-02

# Blackrod NOx Emissions

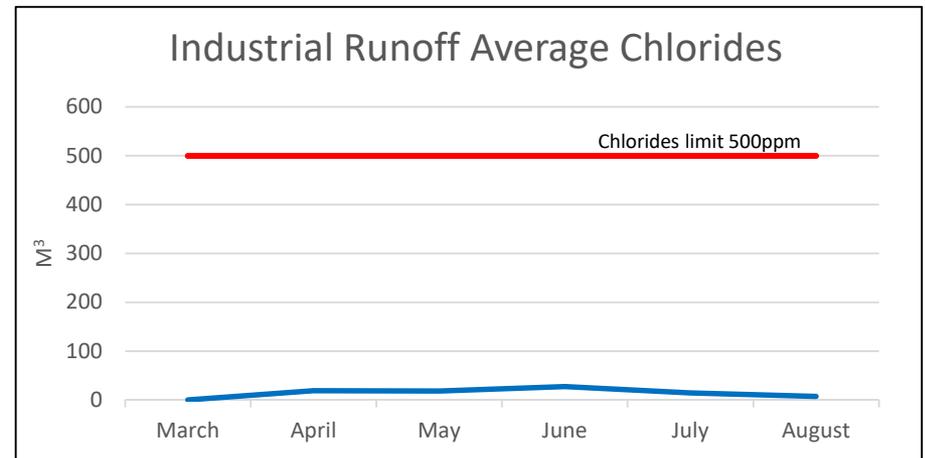
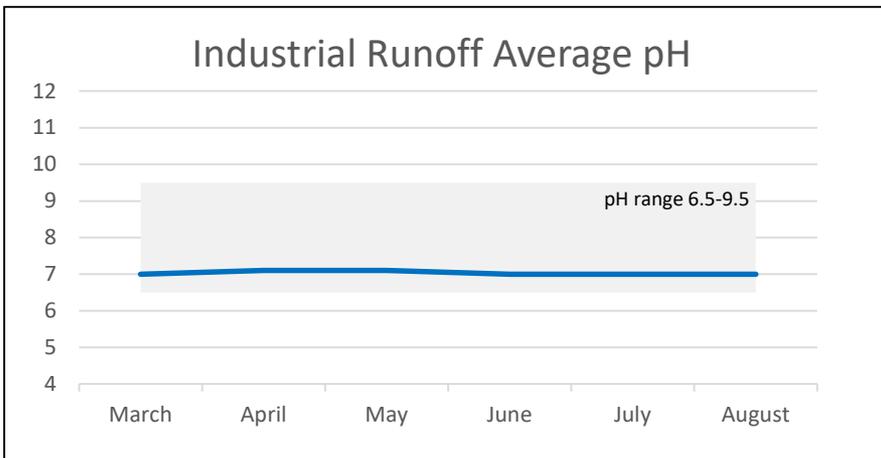
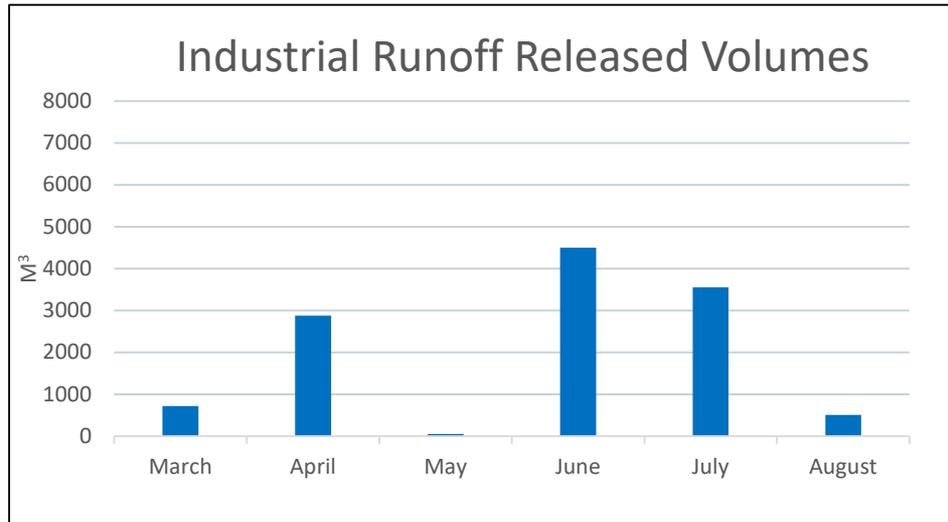
2019	Run Time (hours)	No <sub>x</sub> (tonnes)
January	744	0.21
February	660	0.19
March	744	0.21
April	720	0.20
May	685	0.19
June	720	0.2
July	744	0.21
August	744	0.21
September	552	0.16
October	744	0.21
November	720	0.20
December	744	0.21
<b>Total</b>		<b>2.4</b>

- Under Section 4.1.17 and 4.1.18 of the EPEA approval, IPC is required to conduct a manual stack survey on the 15 MW steam generator once within six months of commissioning.
- A manual stack survey was conducted which gave an average mass flow rate of 0.28 kg/h which is below the 1.4 kg/hr limit for NO<sub>x</sub> in the approval
- Monthly NO<sub>x</sub> is calculated by using the hourly emissions rate and knowing the monthly run time hours

# Blackrod SO2 Emissions



# Blackrod Industrial Runoff Monitoring



# Blackrod Compliance

- To the best of IPC's knowledge, the Blackrod SAGD Pilot Project is currently in full compliance with all conditions and regulatory requirements related to AER Scheme Approval No. 11522H



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**Blackrod Future Plans**

# Blackrod Future Plans

## 1. Ongoing Pilot Objectives

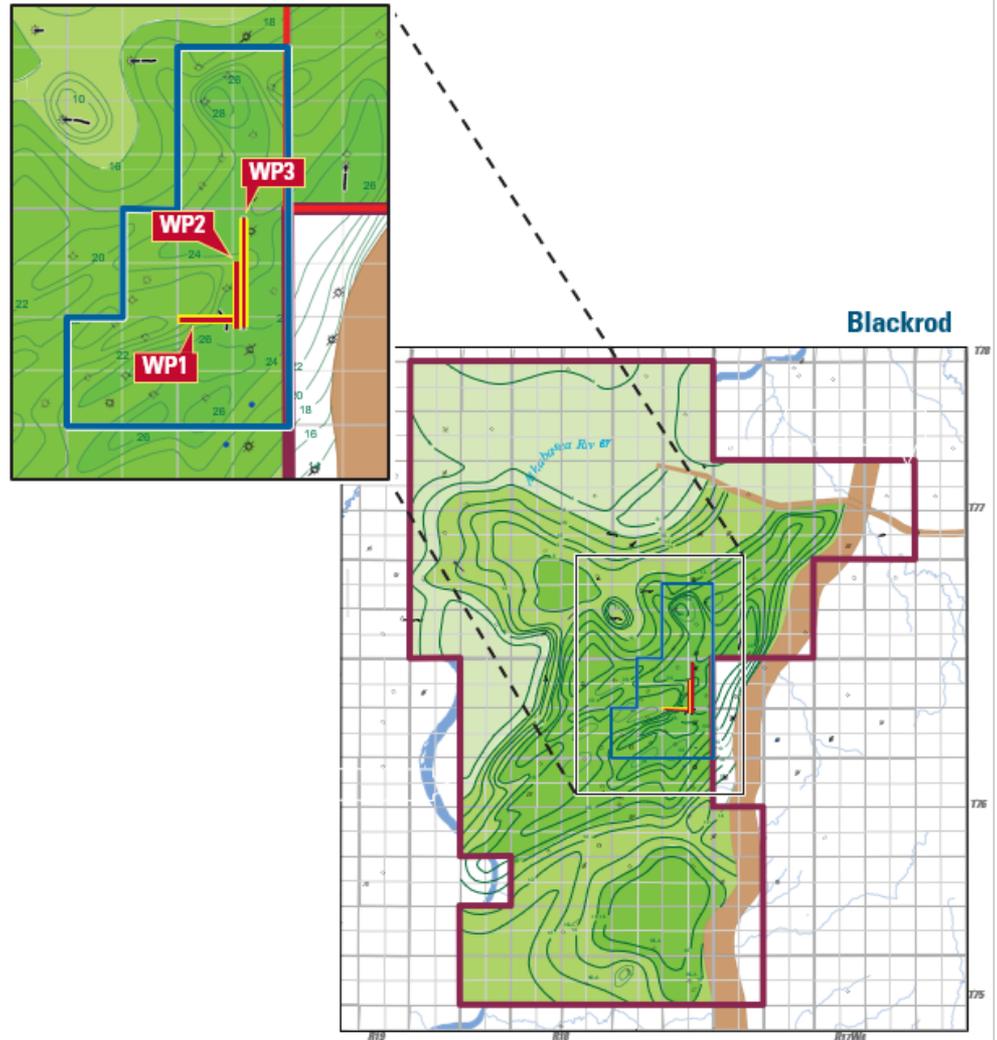
# Ongoing Pilot Objectives

- Complete warm-up on WP3 and convert to production phase.
- Trial new produced water treatment technology
  - Commissioning will be completed in Q1 2020 followed by a 1-year trial. Learnings from the trial will be applied to the commercial facility design.

## 2. SAGD Commercial Development

# SAGD Commercial Development

- Commercial SAGD Application No. 1728831- Approved
- 80,000 bbl/d (12,720 m<sup>3</sup>/d) to be developed in phases, with the first phase planned for 20,000 bbl/d; two additional phases of 30,000 bbl/d each to follow





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**Appendices**

# Appendices

## 1. Pressure & Temperature Data

- 10-36 WP2
- Heel & Toe Observation Wells