# Suncor Firebag 2020 AER Scheme Performance Report Commercial Scheme Approval No. 8870

Reporting Period: March 1, 2019 to May 31, 2020



# Introduction

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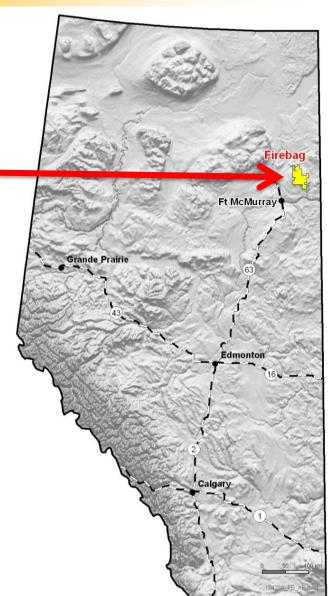
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### **Firebag Project Overview**



- The Firebag Project is a commercial Steam Assisted Gravity Drainage (SAGD) scheme.
- Supplies bitumen to the Oil Sands Upgrader and sales to market.
- Average bitumen production for the reporting period has been 29,816 m<sup>3</sup>/d (187,004 bbl/d) with a steam to oil ratio (iSOR) of 2.85.

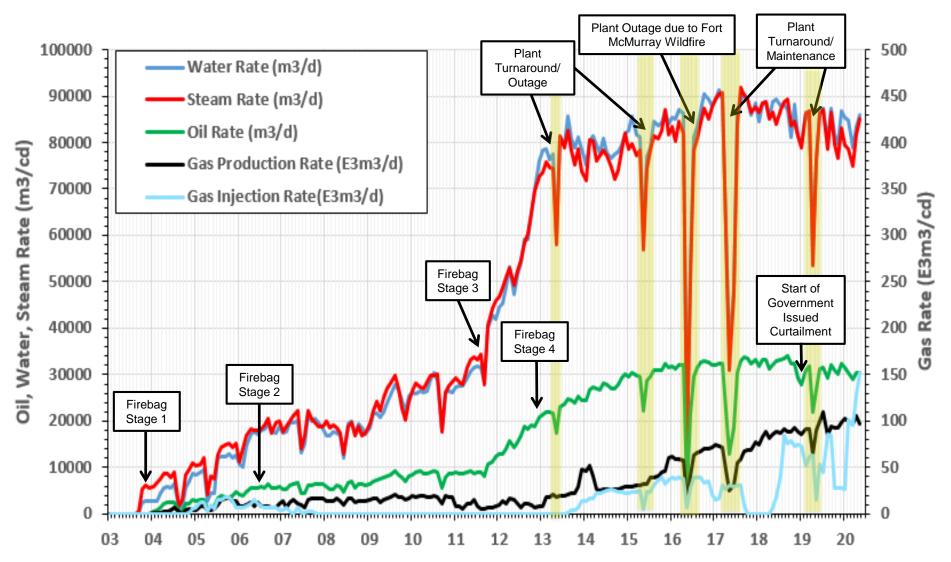


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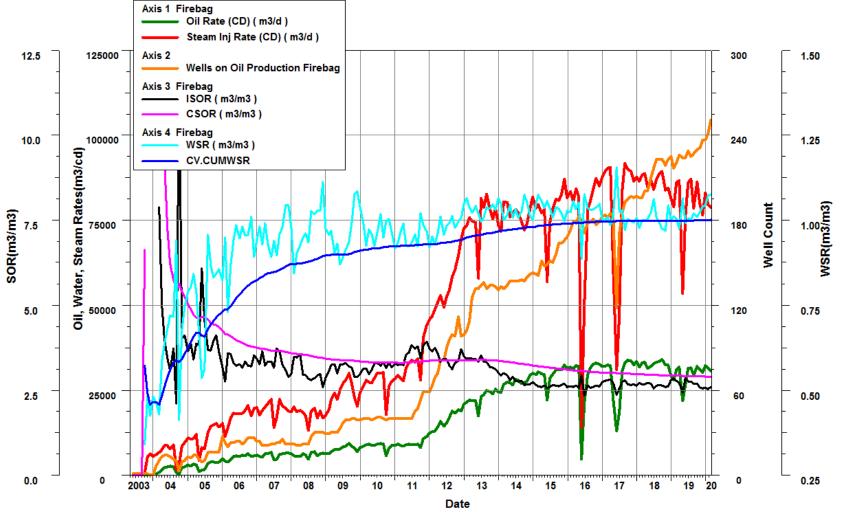


### **Scheme Performance – Well Production History**



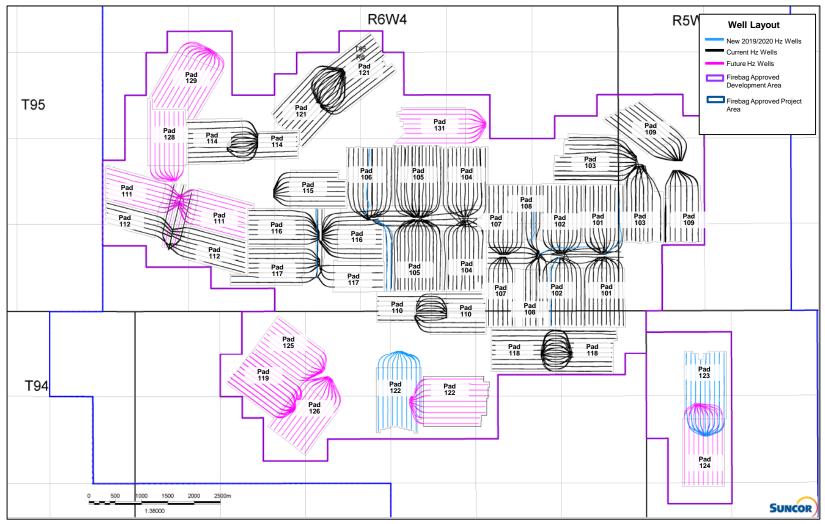
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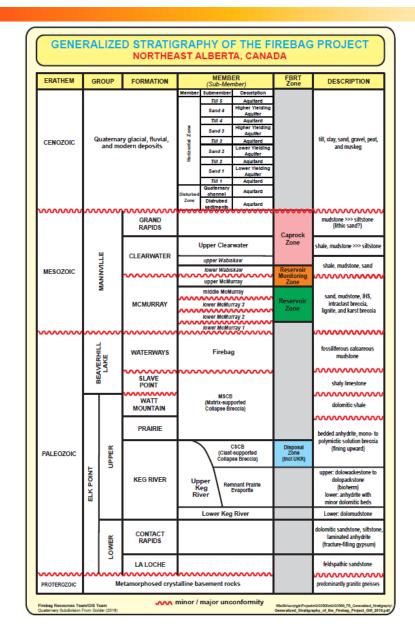
#### **AER Project & Approved Development Areas**





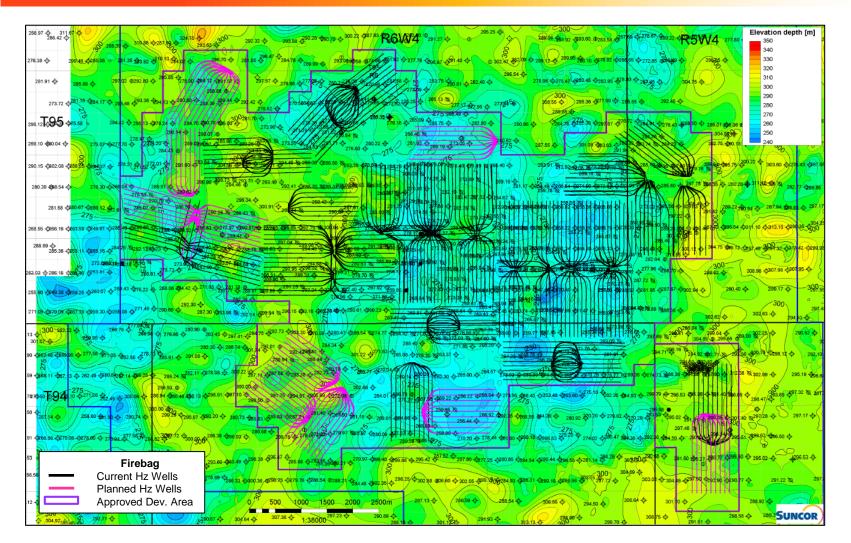
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## **Firebag Stratigraphic Chart**



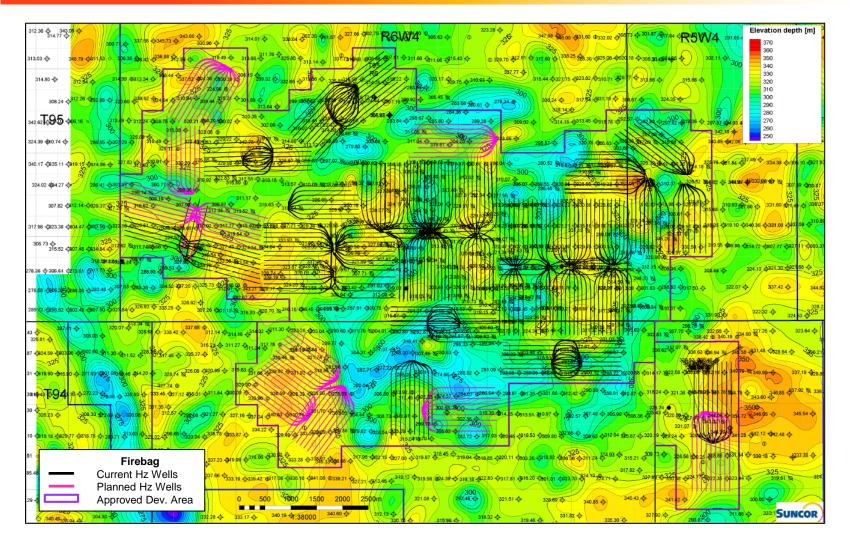


#### **Structure Map of Base Continuous Reservoir**



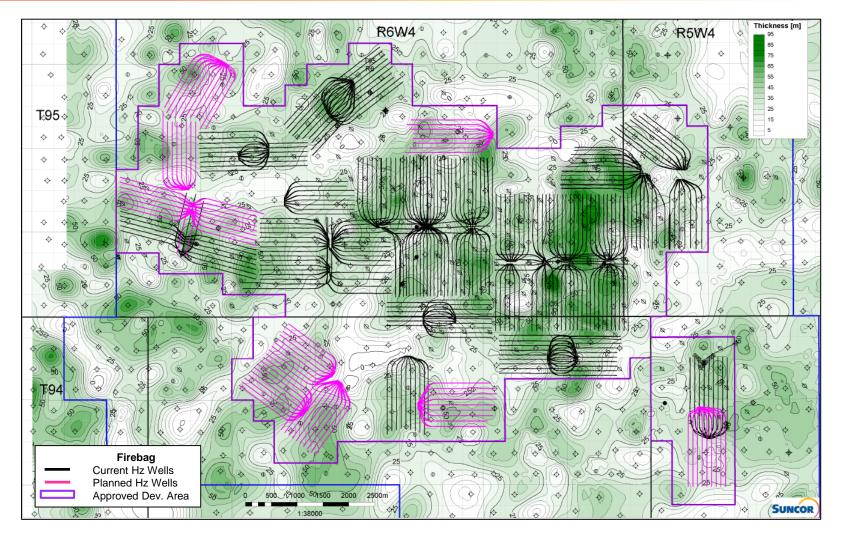


### **Structure Map of Top Continuous Reservoir**





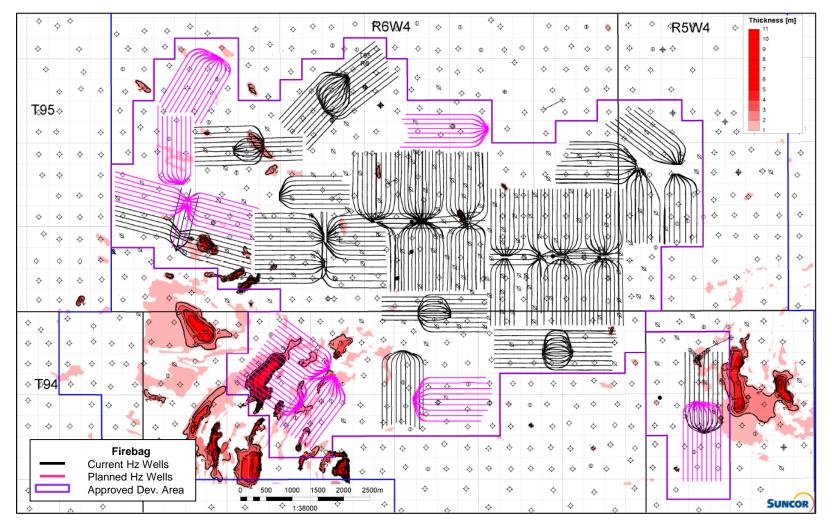
### **Isopach Map of Continuous Reservoir**





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#### **Reservoir Zone Gas Isopach**



Gas zones shown above are inconsequential to SAGD operations at Firebag but are included for reference.

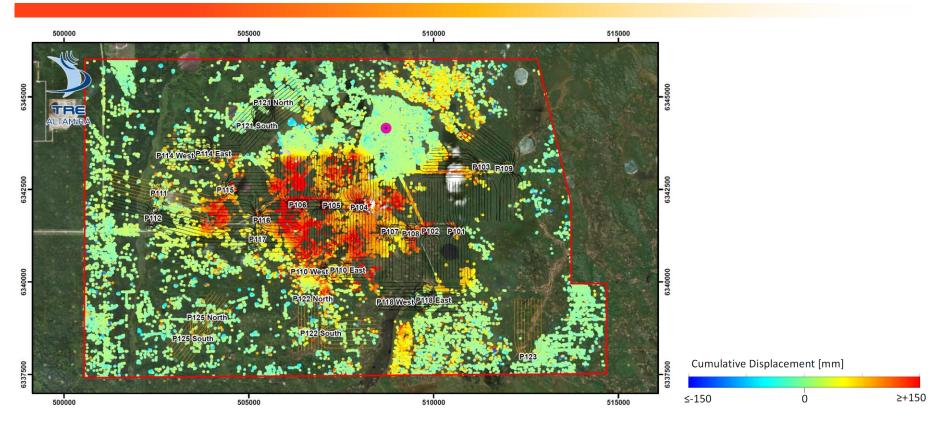
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#### Water and Lean Zones

- No top or bottom water zones have been identified within the Firebag development area.
- Upper lean and middle lean are present in some parts of the Firebag development area. Thief zone potential is unknown at this time but is actively being investigated.
- For more information on lean zones, refer to applications 1875472 (Approval # 8870MMM) and 1925410 (Approval # 8870HHHH).



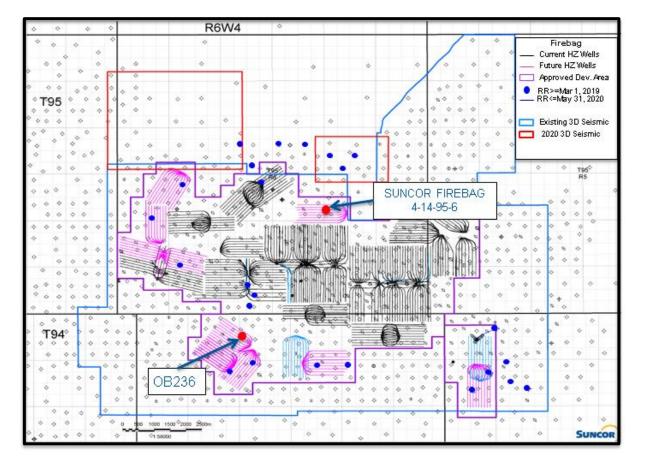
# Firebag InSAR Cumulative Heave May 2013 - Oct 2019



- There are no geomechanical anomalies in the Firebag development area.
- Maximum heave of 316 mm observed at Pad 106
- Heave data is used to:
  - Calibrate geomechanical models
- <sup>14</sup> Monitor subsurface safety and flag areas that appear anomalous



#### **Caprock Integrity Assurance**



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- One new micro-frac test:
  - SUNCOR FIREBAG 4-14-95-6 to assess the Clearwater
- One new caprock core collected:
  - OB 236 to assess natural fracture characterization

- Geomechanical simulations are developed to assess all new pad startups.
- These activities confirm that operating at the approved MOP does not impact Firebag caprock integrity.



#### **Reservoir Fracture Closure Gradients**

|              |                      |           | TVD           |                               |         | Fracture   |
|--------------|----------------------|-----------|---------------|-------------------------------|---------|------------|
|              |                      |           | Perforated    |                               | Minimum | Closure    |
|              |                      | Well      | Interval      |                               | Stress  | Gradient   |
| Date         | Well                 | Alias     | (mKB)         | Target                        | (kPaa)  | (kPag/mGL) |
| 15-Mar-12    | 01-16-095-06W4       | OB134     | 297-298       | lower McMurray 3 sand         | 5238.9  | 17.6       |
| 17-Mar-12    | 09-09-095-06W4       | OB135     | 263-264       | middle McMurray sand          | 5106.1  | 19.3       |
| 13-Mar-12    | 11-10-095-06W4       | OB136     | 268-269       | middle McMurray sand          | 4835.6  | 18.0       |
| 23-Feb-14    | 16-07-095-05W4       | OB205     | 273-274       | lower McMurray 3 sand         | 4319.7  | 15.7       |
| 11-Feb-15    | 05-07-095-06W4       | OB147     | 255-258       | middle McMurray sand          | 3868.3  | 15.1       |
| 10-Feb-16    | 15-26-094-06W4       | OB140     | 296-299       | middle McMurray sand          | 6171.9  | 20.6       |
| 8-Jan-19     | 03-32-094-06W4       | OB145     | 272-275       | middle McMurray sand          | 5330.4  | 19.5       |
| 16-Mar-12    | 01-16-095-06W4       | OB134     | 277-278       | middle McMurray mudstone      | 5398.7  | 19.4       |
| 18-Mar-12    | 09-09-095-06W4       | OB135     | 247.5-248.5   | middle McMurray mudstone      | 4020.2  | 16.1       |
| 13-Mar-12    | 11-10-095-06W4       | OB136     | 257-258       | middle McMurray mudstone      | 4910.0  | 19.0       |
| 24-Feb-14    | 16-07-095-05W4       | OB205     | 247-248       | middle McMurray IHS           | 4407.6  | 17.7       |
| 12-Feb-15    | 05-07-095-06W4       | OB147     | 227-228       | middle McMurray mudstone      | 4111.5  | 18.0       |
| 10-Feb-16    | 15-26-094-06W4       | OB140     | 276-277       | middle McMurray mudstone      | 4731.0  | 16.9       |
| 16-Mar-12    | 01-16-095-06W4       | OB134     | 253.5-254.5   | Wabiskaw/lower Clearwater     | 5482.5  | 21.6       |
| 18-Mar-12    | 09-09-095-06W4       | OB135     | 231-232       | Wabiskaw/lower Clearwater     | 5060.2  | 21.9       |
| 14-Mar-12    | 11-10-095-06W4       | OB136     | 238-239       | Wabiskaw/lower Clearwater     | 4532.7  | 19.0       |
| 5-Mar-13     | 01-09-095-06W4       | OB182     | 232.5-233.5   | Wabiskaw/lower Clearwater     | 5237.2  | 22.5       |
| 25-Feb-14    | 16-07-095-05W4       | OB205     | 225.5-226.5   | Wabiskaw/lower Clearwater     | 4952.2  | 22.0       |
| 12-Feb-15    | 05-07-095-06W4       | OB147     | 209.5-210.5   | Wabiskaw/lower Clearwater     | 4679.0  | 22.3       |
| 11-Feb-16    | 15-26-094-06W4       | OB140     | 250.5-251.5   | Wabiskaw/lower Clearwater     | 5434.6  | 22.3       |
| 16-Feb-17    | 07-31-094-05W4       | OB184     | 225.5-226.5   | Wabiskaw/lower Clearwater     | 4915.9  | 22.2       |
| 10-Jan-19    | 03-32-094-06W4       | OB145     | 229.0-230.0   | Wabiskaw/lower Clearwater     | 5464.9  | 23.8       |
| 3-Feb-19     | 04-17-095-06W4       | OB148     | 219.5-220.5   | Wabiskaw/lower Clearwater     | 4993.3  | 22.7       |
| 6-Feb-20     | 04-14-095-06W4       | N/A       | 256.0-257.0   | Wabiskaw/lower Clearwater     | 5335.2  | 20.8       |
| Note - Sunce | or limits Fracture ( | Closure ( | Gradient to O | verburden Gradient (~21.5 kPa | ag/mGL) |            |

1 new well (SUNCOR FIREBAG 4-14-95-6)

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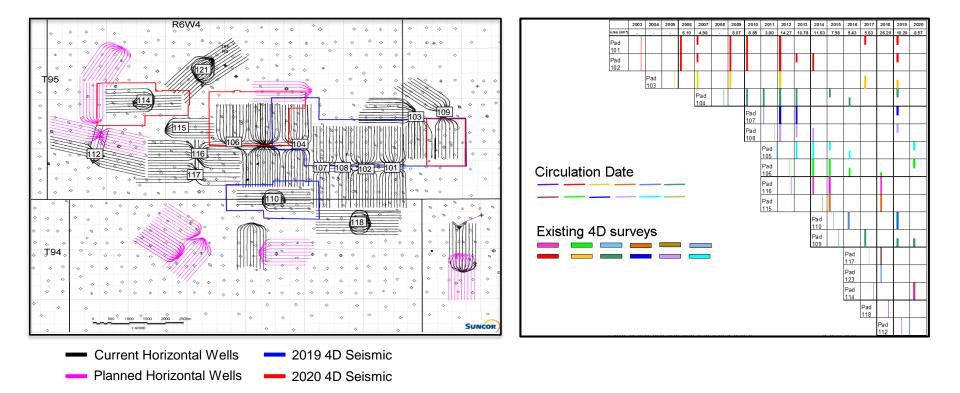
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- No changes are recommended to be made to the Firebag injection pressures that are currently approved.
- 4,040 kPag start-up MOP based on an 80% safety factor (where overburden is based on closure pressure)
- 3,570 kPag MOP during production phase



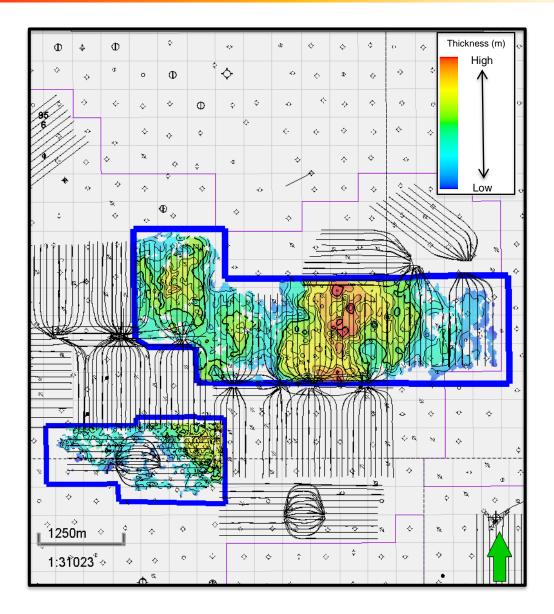
# **4D Seismic Survey Outlines**

• Data was collected in the year indicated, while the associated interpretation is reported the following year. This is to allow for required processing and interpretation time.





#### 2019 4D Seismic – Steam Chamber Thickness Map



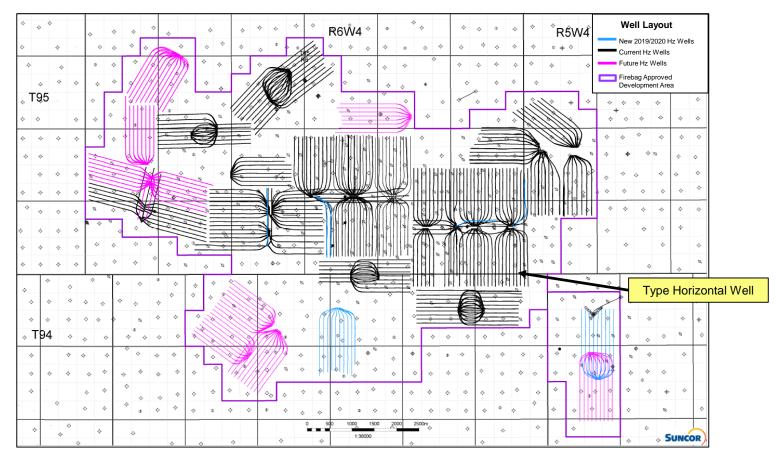


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# **Type Well Location Map**

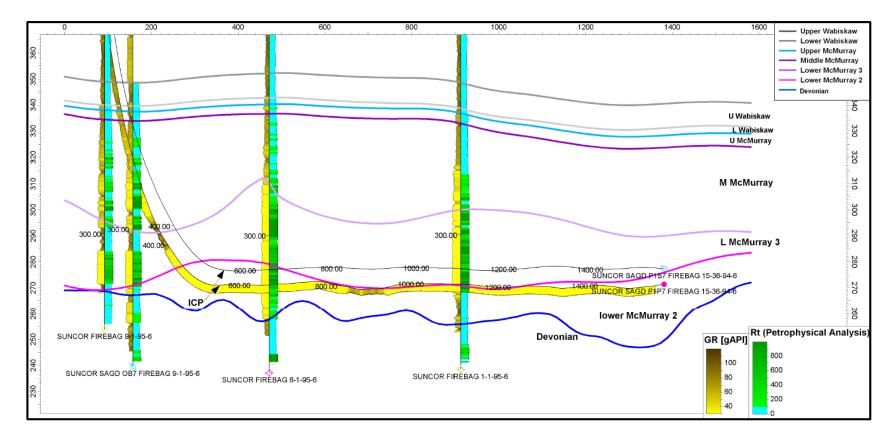
### Type Horizontal Well

• Pad 101 Pair 7





#### **Structural Cross Section Example**

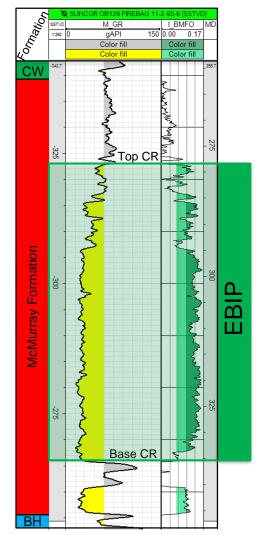


Pad 101 Well Pair 7 \*Coreholes are projected onto cross section



# **EBIP Methodology**

- Exploitable Bitumen in Place (EBIP) is defined in each well by the top and base of Continuous Reservoir. It is selected at the base of a continuous sand unit either developed or most likely to be developed.
  - Continuous Reservoir base: lowest portion of the continuous reservoir sandstone with BMFO cut off of 6%, <3m of >50% mud/breccia in the lower portion.
  - Continuous Reservoir top: 2m of mudstone, no BMFO or porosity cut offs.
- Upper Lean, Middle Lean, and Gas Zones that are in pressure communication with the continuous reservoir are included with no thickness cutoffs.
- Observation wells and 4D seismic will take precedence over the geology pick.



CW: Clearwater Formation BH: Beaverhill Lake Group



### **Exploitable Bitumen in Place & Average Reservoir Properties**

|                               | HC Area (m²) | Continuous Reservoir<br>Thickness (m) | Continuous<br>Reservoir Volume<br>(e <sup>6</sup> m <sup>3</sup> ) | Porosity | Oil<br>Saturation | Formation<br>Volume<br>Factor | EBIP <sup>1</sup><br>(e <sup>6</sup> m <sup>3</sup> ) | EBIP <sup>1</sup><br>(MMbbl) | EBIP: Exploitable Bitumen in Place<br>HC: Hydrocarbon |
|-------------------------------|--------------|---------------------------------------|--|----------|-------------------|-------------------------------|---|------------------------------|---|
| SAGD Pad 101                  | 1,758,266    | 52.8                                  | 93   | 0.319    | 0.78              | 1                             | 23.2  | 145.9                        |   |
| SAGD Pad 102                  | 1,605,061    | 56.4                                  | 91   | 0.317    | 0.74              | 1                             | 21.1  | 133.0                        |   |
| SAGD Pad 103                  | 1,880,989    | 44.0                                  | 84   | 0.316    | 0.73              | 1                             | 19.7  | 124.1                        |   |
| SAGD Pad 104                  | 1,909,795    | 45.2                                  | 86   | 0.320    | 0.77              | 1                             | 21.2  | 133.3                        |   |
| SAGD Pad 105                  | 2,625,430    | 37.6                                  | 96   | 0.326    | 0.78              | 1                             | 24.6  | 154.8                        |   |
| SAGD Pad 106                  | 1,601,721    | 36.6                                  | 61   | 0.324    | 0.80              | 1                             | 15.8  | 99.5                         |   |
| SAGD Pad 107                  | 1,381,092    | 38.0                                  | 53   | 0.320    | 0.75              | 1                             | 12.7  | 79.8                         |   |
| SAGD Pad 108                  | 1,726,243    | 44.3                                  | 77   | 0.322    | 0.76              | 1                             | 18.6  | 116.8                        |   |
| SAGD Pad 109                  | 1,485,780    | 28.5                                  | 36   | 0.329    | 0.77              | 1                             | 9.1   | 57.3                         |   |
| SAGD Pad 110                  | 1,448,999    | 33.3                                  | 49   | 0.321    | 0.70              | 1                             | 10.9  | 68.6                         |   |
| SAGD Pad 111                  | 1,603,843    | 41.4                                  | 58   | 0.325    | 0.79              | 1                             | 14.7  | 92.7                         |   |
| SAGD Pad 112                  | 1,453,328    | 39.1                                  | 63   | 0.334    | 0.78              | 1                             | 15.9  | 100.3                        |   |
| SAGD Pad 114                  | 1,472,972    | 34.1                                  | 51   | 0.323    | 0.77              | 1                             | 12.5  | 78.6                         |   |
| SAGD Pad 115                  | 749,264      | 29.7                                  | 22   | 0.326    | 0.73              | 1                             | 5.3   | 33.1                         |   |
| SAGD Pad 116                  | 1,660,636    | 39.3                                  | 65   | 0.327    | 0.78              | 1                             | 16.7  | 105.0                        |   |
| SAGD Pad 117                  | 1,573,171    | 33.3                                  | 54   | 0.321    | 0.72              | 1                             | 12.6  | 79.3                         |   |
| SAGD Pad 118                  | 2,027,666    | 38.8                                  | 79   | 0.312    | 0.75              | 1                             | 18.5  | 116.3                        |   |
| SAGD Pad 119                  | 887,092      | 43                                    | 38   | 0.327    | 0.74              | 1                             | 9.2   | 58.1                         |   |
| SAGD Pad 121                  | 2,095,069    | 40.5                                  | 85   | 0.324    | 0.72              | 1                             | 19.9  | 125.2                        |   |
| SAGD Pad 122                  | 2,116,270    | 37.0                                  | 78   | 0.313    | 0.69              | 1                             | 17.0  | 107.0                        |   |
| SAGD Pad 123                  | 997,805      | 42.4                                  | 42   | 0.318    | 0.75              | 1                             | 10.2  | 63.9                         |   |
| SAGD Pad 124                  | 1,024,587    | 29.9                                  | 31   | 0.316    | 0.73              | 1                             | 7.1   | 44.4                         |   |
| SAGD Pad 125                  | 885,315      | 34.0                                  | 30   | 0.325    | 0.75              | 1                             | 7.3   | 46.2                         |   |
| SAGD Pad 126                  | 940,361      | 45.5                                  | 43   | 0.322    | 0.74              | 1                             | 10.2  | 64.4                         |   |
| SAGD Pad 128                  | 796,435      | 33.5                                  | 27   | 0.325    | 0.75              | 1                             | 6.5   | 40.7                         |   |
| SAGD Pad 129                  | 1,037,864    | 29.4                                  | 31   | 0.322    | 0.77              | 1                             | 7.6   | 47.8                         |   |
| SAGD Pad 131                  | 919,911      | 36.4                                  | 33   | 0.322    | 0.80              | 1                             | 8.6   | 54.0                         | -   |
| SAGD TOTAL                    | 39,664,963   | 38.7                                  | 1,556  | 0.322    | 0.75              | 1                             | 376.9   | 2,370.1                      | -   |
| Firebag Approved Project Area | 193,456,235  | 30.3                                  | 5,857  | 0.319    | 0.71              | 1                             | 1,321   | 8,309                        | ]   |

Changes from last year reflect data from new coreholes, observation wells, time lapse seismic and some reinterpretation. EBIP procedure remains unchanged.



### **Pad Recoveries**

| Pad                                   | 101    | 102    | 103    | 104    | Stage 1 & 2 Totals |
|---------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------------------|
| Recovery to Date (e3m3)               | 16,176 | 13,586 | 11,438 | 11,497 | 52,698             |
| Recovery Factor to Date (%)           | 70%    | 64%    | 58%    | 54%    | 62%                |
| Expected Ultimate Recovery (e3m3)     | 20,392 | 16,066 | 14,086 | 14,326 | 64,870             |
| Expected Ultimate Recovery Factor (%) | 88%    | 76%    | 71%    | 68%    | 76%                |
| EBIP (e3m3)                           | 23,205 | 21,146 | 19,741 | 21,191 | 85,283             |

| Pad                                   | 105    | 106    | 107    | 108    | 109   |
|---------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| Recovery to Date (e3m3)               | 11,374 | 6,879  | 6,516  | 5,347  | 2,080 |
| Recovery Factor to Date (%)           | 46%    | 43%    | 51%    | 29%    | 23%   |
| Expected Ultimate Recovery (e3m3)     | 17,471 | 9,567  | 9,028  | 9,251  | 5,225 |
| Expected Ultimate Recovery Factor (%) | 71%    | 60%    | 71%    | 50%    | 57%   |
| EBIP (e3m3)                           | 24,616 | 15,821 | 12,684 | 18,569 | 9,110 |

| Pad                                   | 110    | 114    | 115   | 116    | 117    | 118    | 112    | 121    | Stage 3 & 4 Totals |
|---------------------------------------|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------------------|
| Recovery to Date (e3m3)               | 2,661  | 1,170  | 2,001 | 7,503  | 1,790  | 670    | 242    | 124    | 16,161             |
| Recovery Factor to Date (%)           | 24%    | 9%     | 38%   | 45%    | 14%    | 4%     | 2%     | 1%     | 14%                |
| Expected Ultimate Recovery (e3m3)     | 5,910  | 7,110  | 3,203 | 10,952 | 7,401  | 10,250 | 8,023  | 8,630  | 61,480             |
| Expected Ultimate Recovery Factor (%) | 54%    | 57%    | 61%   | 66%    | 59%    | 55%    | 50%    | 43%    | 55%                |
| EBIP (e3m3)                           | 10,900 | 12,504 | 5,258 | 16,697 | 12,611 | 18,493 | 15,946 | 19,911 | 112,318            |

Expected Ultimate Recovery is estimated internally



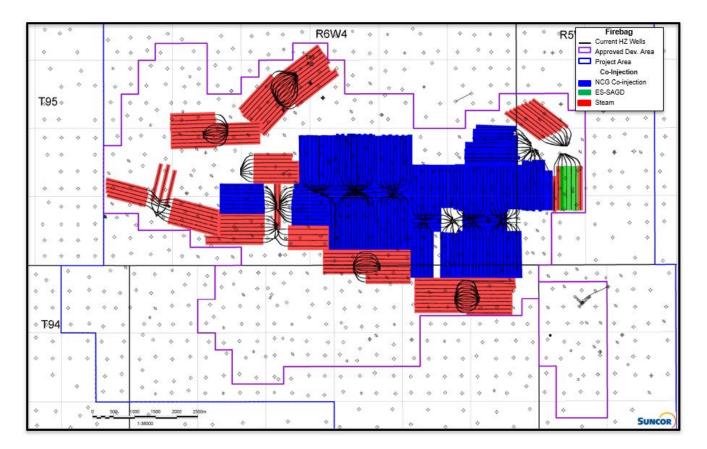
#### **Average Reservoir Properties**

- Average reservoir properties for the operating portion of the scheme (Pads 101-110, 112 and Pads 114-118, 121)
  - Initial reservoir pressure: 800kPa
  - Initial reservoir temperature: 8°C
  - Average continuous reservoir: 39.6 m
  - Average porosity: 0.322
  - Average oil saturation: 0.75
  - Effective horizontal permeability: 3 to 4 D
  - Effective vertical permeability: 2 to 3 D
  - Viscosity: ~ 11-13.5 cp @ 215°C



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### **Co-Injection Overview**



Non-condensable gas (NCG) co-injection has been implemented on the following well pads at Firebag:

#### Phase 1

- Pad 101
- Pad 102
- Pad 103
- Pad 104
- Pad 107

#### Phase 2

- Pad 105
- Pad 106
- Pad 108
- Pad 116



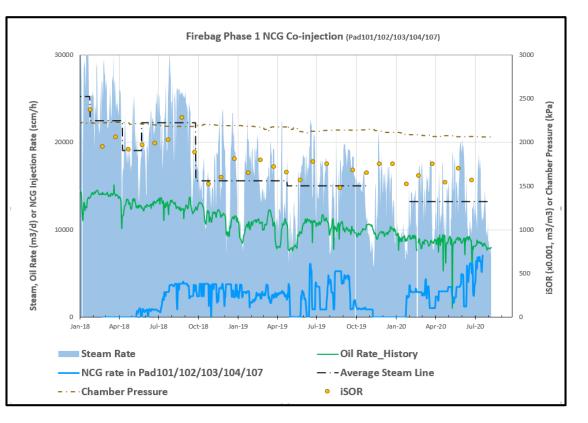
## **Co-Injection Strategy**

- At Firebag, NCG (i.e. methane fuel gas) is co-injected with steam. Co-injection typically commences on a well pad when recovery has exceeded 50% through means of normal SAGD operations. Geological characteristics, production performance and optimization of surface infrastructure are also considered when evaluating timelines for NCG co-injection.
- Many factors are considered when determining target NCG injection rates:
  - Desired operating pressures
  - Field wide strategies for steam reallocation
  - Maturity of the subject steam chamber
  - Predicted leak off of injected NCG within the reservoir
- Key components of the NCG co-injection strategy at Firebag include:
  - Developing success criteria based on industry knowledge and analog data
  - Targeting specified KPI's
  - Collecting data that can be analyzed against the baseline to develop a better understanding of the extent of vertical and lateral NCG migration
  - Regular monitoring and adjustments to operational strategies where required depending on observed reservoir response



# **Co-Injection Observations**

- NCG has been injected at average of 16,000 - 31,000 Sm<sup>3</sup>/d (per well pad basis).
- Plant outages and other operational impacts have affected the ability to maintain continuous NCG co-injection.
- No negative impacts have been observed in relation to resource recovery, wellbore integrity or oil rates.
- Oil production has continued to follow forecasted natural decline trends while gas rates have been gradually increased.
- SOR has been reduced and field wide steam injection strategy has been optimized via reallocation to less mature SAGD pads.
- Reservoir pressure targets have been able to be maintained with NCG co-injection.
- No significant temperature reductions have been observed within steam chambers (via analysis of observation well data).
- Produced gas separators have shown slight increases in gas production. It is estimated that 10-13% of injected NCG is typically produced.



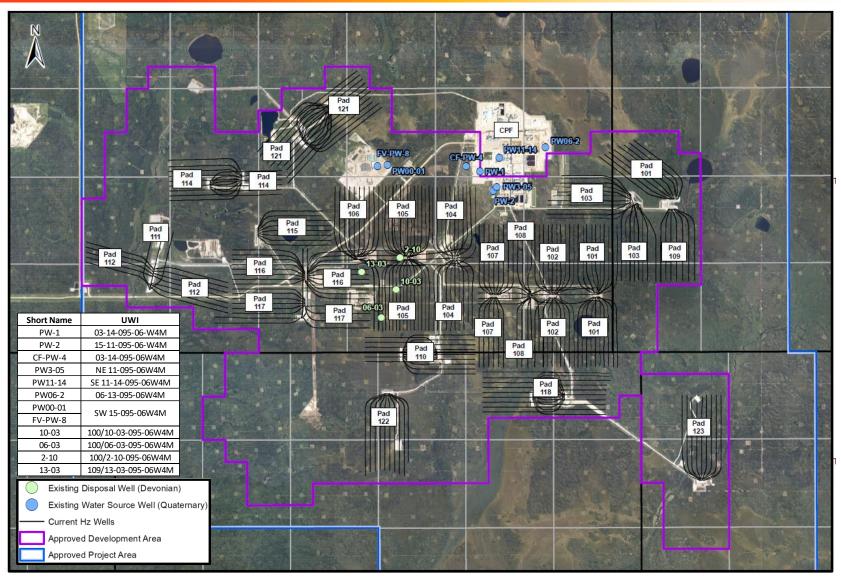


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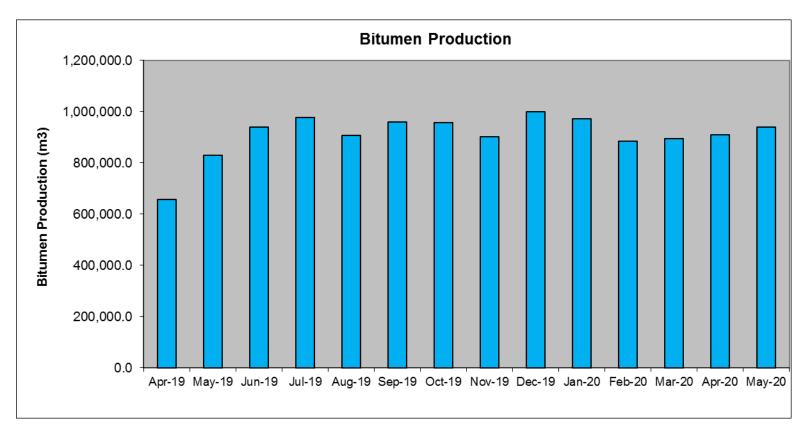
#### **Overview of Surface Infrastructure (Aerial Photo)**



29 There have been no modifications to the Central Processing Plant (CPF) during the reporting period that have required an AER application approval.

#### **Annual Rates – Bitumen**

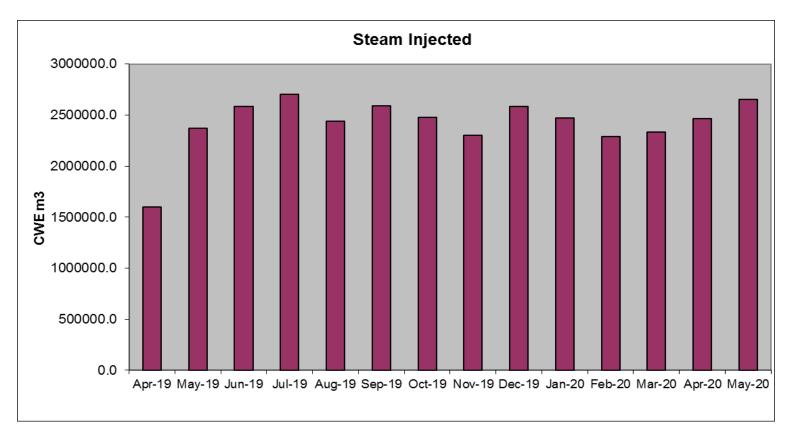
From April 2019 to May 2020, Firebag averaged 29,815.9 m<sup>3</sup>/d (187,004.4 bbl/d) of bitumen production. The Design rate for Firebag is 203 kbbl/d at 2.8 SOR.





#### Annual Rates – Steam

 From April 2019 to May 2020, Firebag injected an average of 79,227.6 m<sup>3</sup>/d of steam (90,360 m<sup>3</sup>/d, CWE).





# Historical and Upcoming Activity

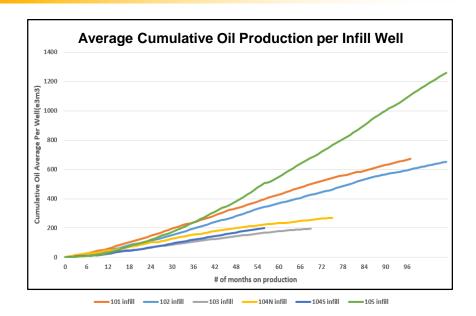
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# **Summary of Key Learnings**

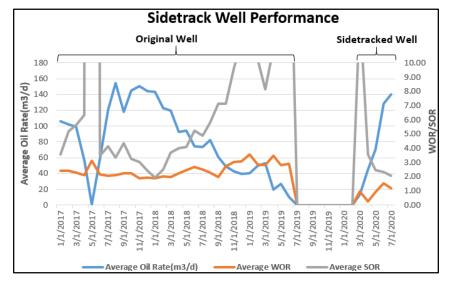
#### Infill Well Performance

- 51 infill wells are currently in operation at Firebag with average oil production of 826 bbl/d (131 m<sup>3</sup>/d) per well.
- Infill well performance is optimized through effective management of infill and base well interactions at the steam chamber level.



#### Sidetrack Well Performance

- 5 sidetrack wells were drilled during the reporting period as a part of brownfield development program.
- These sidetrack wells are demonstrating beneficial WOR and SOR metrics as a result of their pre-heated steam chambers.



# **Summary of Key Learnings**

#### Observation Well Monitoring

- Observation wells continue to be utilized for both caprock integrity monitoring and optimization in the current operating area at Firebag. They also continue to be incorporated into development planning and are drilled for new pads prior to first steam.
- Standard completion designs include a thermocouple string that spans the reservoir zone and into the caprock and/or individual pressure and temperature gauges in specific zones.
- Observation wells in the area of two new pad start ups (Pad 121 and Pad 112) were useful in assessing reservoir connectivity and mobility through the use of pressure monitoring gauges.

#### Pad Start Up

- Combined circulation and bullheading (i.e. without circulating a portion of the steam back to surface) methods have been applied to new pad start ups from Firebag Stage 3 onwards.
- 35 wells have been bullheaded during the reporting period of March 2019 May 2020, while a total of 149 Firebag wells have been bullheaded since their respective first steam dates.
- Bullheading requires less cumulative steam to achieve the same reservoir heating as circulation. This reduces cSOR and emissions produced.

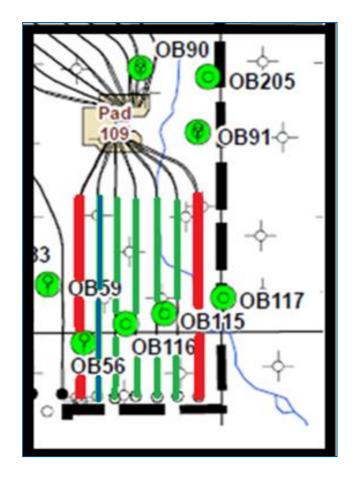
#### Advanced Reservoir Management for Improved Energy Efficiency

- Firebag is actively exploring opportunities that incorporate data analytics to further optimize steam allocation and subsequently energy efficiency.
- Regional optimization has proven successful in leak-off management strategies, which mitigate the loss of injected energy.
- Steam chamber pressures are balanced between pads to optimize heat efficiency.



#### New Technology Update: Pad 109 South ES-SAGD (Hydrocarbon Co-Injection)

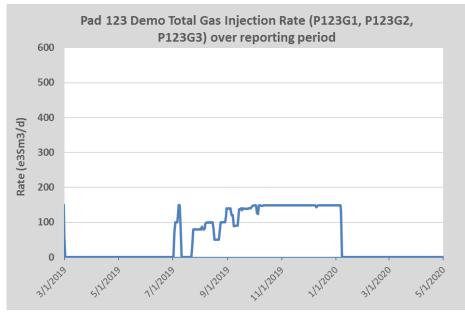
- Baseline data collection at Pad 109S started in July 2018, which included flow measurements and sample collection.
- A dedicated test separator has been operating since the beginning of the baseline at Pad 109S to enable enhanced surveillance of the demo.
- 4 out of 7 well pairs at Pad 109S were used for ES-SAGD, while edge wells were left in SAGD mode for control and pressure fencing. Continuous hydrocarbon co-injection started on April 3, 2019 and finished on May 1, 2020.
- Hydrocarbon co-injection concentration was achieved at 5-15%, within the approved limit.
- Injected hydrocarbon is a multicomponent diluent that is used at the Firebag CPF to dilute the bitumen for processing and transportation.
- Oil rate improvement was observed in the hydrocarbon co-injecting well pairs, while the edge SAGD well oil rates remained at the baseline level. A corresponding reduction in SOR has also been confirmed.
- Early diluent return trends have been established. Suncor continues the surveillance program to collect more data for ultimate diluent recovery factor forecasting.





#### **New Technology Update: Pad 123 Gas Injection Demonstration**





- Suncor started gas injection in Pad 123 on August 5, 2017 as per AER approval.
- Suncor has safely ramped up to the total injection rate of 480 e3Sm3/d of gas while adhering to the terms of the AER approval with respect to containment of gas in the McMurray zone.
- Firebag fuel gas (primarily methane) is used for the current injection scheme.
- All 3 gas injectors (P123G1, P123G2, P123G3) are utilized. Injection pressure has been monitored and kept below approved MOP during operation.
- Similar to 2019, Suncor has optimized the gas injection rate/pressure in accordance with long term steam chamber operation associated with Pad 123 SAGD.
- Optimized gas injection schedule is being implemented in preparation of Pad 123 start-up (first steam planned for November 2020).



### **Summary of Events**

- The following horizontal wells were drilled during the reporting period:
  - Pad 122 North (10 well pairs)
  - Pad 123 (9 well pairs)
  - Sidetrack program (1P5, 6P15, 6P16, 8P1, 17P1)
- The following SAGD well pads were started up during the reporting period:
  - Pad 112: Q2 2019
  - Pad 121: Q4 2019



# **Suspension and Abandonment Activity**

| License | Well Type   | Well Name                         | UWI                   | Spud Date | Activity    | ABN/SUSP<br>Date | Justification                     | Remaining<br>Reserves |
|---------|-------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|-------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 260969  | SAGD        | SUNCOR SAGD P1P5 FIREBAG 5-7-95-5 | 1W0/05-07-095-05W4/00 | 20-Sep-02 | suspension  | 7-Dec-19         | Sidetracked to access cellar oil  | 577,378 m3*           |
| 453109  | observation | SUNCOR OB181 FIREBAG 7-31-94-5    | 105/07-31-094-05W4/0  | 19-Jan-13 | suspension  | 12-Jan-20        | Isolate prior to Pad 123 steaming | N/A                   |
| 453093  | observation | SUNCOR OB184 FIREBAG 7-31-94-5    | 100/07-31-094-05W4/00 | 31-Jan-13 | abandonment | 23-Mar-20        | Isolate prior to Pad 123 steaming | N/A                   |
| 296632  | observation | Suncor Firebag 7-31-94-5          | 112/07-31-094-05W4    | 17-Jan-04 | abandonment | 20-Mar-20        | Isolate prior to Pad 123 steaming | N/A                   |
| 296643  | observation | Suncor Firebag 9-31-94-5          | 100/09-31-094-05W4    | 1-Feb-04  | abandonment | 17-Mar-20        | Isolate prior to Pad 123 steaming | N/A                   |

\* accessible via current sidetrack

• Suncor does not anticipate abandonment of any Firebag SAGD pads within the next 5 years.

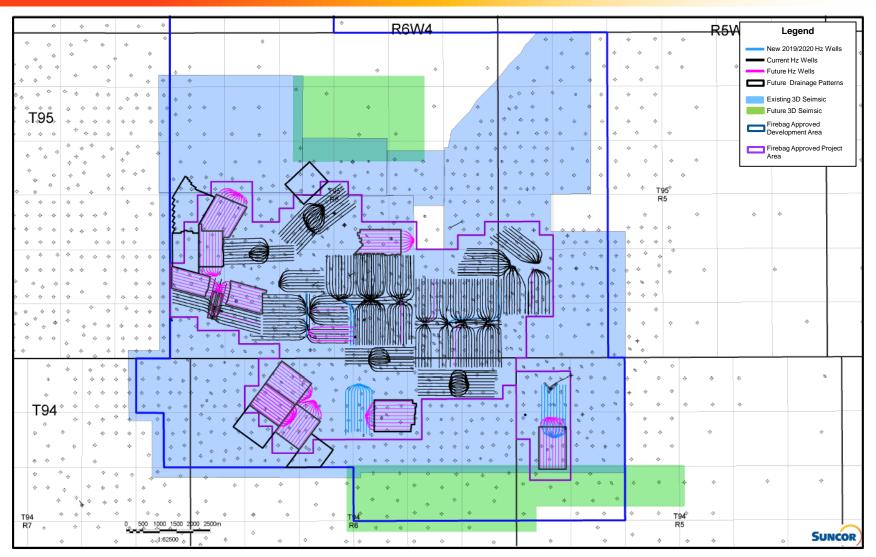


### **Future Plans**

- The following horizontal drilling activities are expected to commence within the next year:
  - Pad 122 South (9 well pairs)
  - Pad 131 (8 well pairs)
  - Sidetrack Program (2P9B, 4P8, 7P7, 9P6, 12P7, 16P6)
  - Pad 117 Infills
  - Pad 125 (9 well pairs)
- The following first steam dates are planned to occur within the next year:
  - Pad 123: Q4 2020
  - Pad 122: Q2/Q3 2021
  - Pad 131: Q4 2021
- Coreholes and observation wells will be drilled as necessary to:
  - · Adequately delineate the resource
  - Monitor SAGD operations
  - Further caprock integrity analysis
  - Conduct hydrogeology analysis
  - Conduct water disposal analysis
  - Allow land retention
- Development plans are evaluated annually and are therefore subject to change.



### **Future Plans**



The above map highlights development activities that are planned at Firebag for the next 5 years. Development plans are evaluated annually and are therefore subject to change.

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# **Regulatory Applications**

#### **Approved Applications:**

| AER Applicatior | Application Name                                  | Date Filed | Date Approved | Application Type         |
|-----------------|---|------------|---------------|--------------------------|
| No.             |   |            |               |                          |
|                 |   |            |               |                          |
| 1920043         | Pads 125,126 and 131                              | 29-Mar-19  | 24-May-19     | Directive 78- Category 2 |
| 1920447         | Pads 128 and 129                                  | 12-Apr-19  | 11-Jun-19     | Directive 78- Category 2 |
| 1924178         | 2019-2020 Injectitivity Tests                     | 13-Sep-19  | 18-Sep-19     | Directive 78- Category 2 |
| 1924879         | Temporary Variance Waiver for ID-2001-3- Downtime | 19-Oct-19  | 22-Nov-19     | Directive 78- Category 2 |
| 1924932         | 6 Sidetrack Wells                                 | 17-Oct-19  | 23-Oct-19     | Directive 78-Category 1  |
| 1925467         | Pad 131 - Two additional well pairs               | 7-Nov-19   | 28-Nov-19     | Directive 78- Category 2 |
| 1925410         | Pad 124- Lean Zone Gas Repressuring               | 5-Nov-19   | 14-Jan-20     | Directive 78- Category 2 |
| 1926342         | Pad 119   | 13-Dec-19  | 5-Feb-20      | Directive 78- Category 2 |
| 1926342         | ES-SAGD at Pad 111, 131 and 125                   | 15-Dec-19  | 12-Mar-20     | Directive 78- Category 2 |

#### **Future Applications:**

- 2020 Sidetrack Wells Directive 78 (Filed on August 19, 2020)
- 2021 Injectivity Tests (Lean Zone and Disposal Exploration)
- Pad 130 and 132 Directive 78 Well Pad Applications
- Temporary Variance Waiver for ID-2001-3 for 2021
- Pad 117 Infill Well Directive 78 Application



# **Compliance History**

| April 1, 2019 -<br>May 31, 2020                              | Number of<br>Occurrences | Reference<br>Number(s)                                   | Date(s) of<br>Occurrence | Details of Occurrence  | Suncor Actions   |
|--|--------------------------|--|--------------------------|--|--|
| NOx CEMS<br>Exceedance                                       | 6                        | 367965<br>368253<br>368086<br>367007<br>361503<br>357558 | Various Dates            | There were 6 incidents where the NOx<br>limit was exceeded on various units<br>including our steam generators and<br>cogeneration units.   | Many of the incidents included our cogenerations units going into<br>extended lean-lean mode. The Extended Lean mode is essentially a<br>safe mode with a more stable combustion but results in higher NOx<br>emitted from the unit to the atmosphere. |
| Failure of Monitoring<br>equipment - Disposal<br>scheme 9487 | 1                        | N/A  | 18-Jun-19                | Voluntary self-disclosure related to the<br>failure of equipment in the 100/10-03-<br>095-06W4/00 (10-03) disposal well  | Suncor is requesting to waive the requirement for bottom hole<br>pressure monitoring in the Elk Point formation at disposal injection<br>wells (Approval No. 9487J, clause 4, received November 30, 2018).   |
| Pad 112 drilling<br>variance                                 | 1                        | N/A  | 28-Aug-19                | Voluntary self-disclosure related to a<br>variance in the actual drilling of two<br>wells described in Alberta Energy<br>Regulator (AER) Directive 23<br>Application No. 1749292 | Suncor has met with Husky Energy to resolve this drilling variance.  |
| SO2 CEMS<br>Exceedance                                       | 0                        | N/A  | N/A                      | N/A  | N/A  |
| PH exceedance to<br>Disposal Scheme 9487                     | 1                        | N/A  | 01-Oct-19                | Voluntary self-disclosure related to a pH<br>level limit exceedance in the disposal<br>well fluids as described in clause 1h) of<br>Approval No. 9487K                           | Suncor continues to monitor the PH with regular sampling   |
| Venting  | 1                        | 360192   | 19-Oct-19                | There was 1 venting incident reported to the AER during this reporting period  | At 8:52 pm on October 18 <sup>th</sup> , the 92K-2975 Vapour Recovery Unit<br>(VRU) compressor tripped on low pressure on 92PI-2005 Skim Tank.   |
| Flaring  | 0                        | N/A  | N/A                      | N/A  | N/A  |



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|---|--------------------------|--|--------------------------|--|---|
| SRU Incinerator Stack<br>Temperature Violation  | 5                        | 352805<br>353018<br>353661<br>357623<br>363930 | Various Dates            | 5 STT Violations during this reporting period  | Suncor continues to address the number of STT incidents by identifying root causes and implementing corrective actions for each event to prevent future occurrences. Firebag had an above average (year on year) STT violations.  |
| SF6 Release   | 1                        | 362062   | 15-Dec-20                | SF6 Gas Release on Pad 112 and 121   | Two low level SF6 gas alarms from two new Pad's, one from Pad<br>121 on December 14th at 21:12 hours, and Pad 112 on December<br>15th at 12:59 hours. After the Transmission and Distribution (T & D)<br>team responded on December 15, 2019 for the low level alarms,<br>equipment was still functioning properly. Additional SF6 gas was<br>required to be added to remove the two level alarms on the VFI<br>switch gear.<br>The VFI gear came with a minimum -50 C operational design, and<br>the SF6 went into the red on the density gauge from green - normal<br>operational range (See attached photo). The temperature has been<br>hovering around sub -30 C within last couple of weeks. There is<br>some probability that SF6 may have leaked out to the atmosphere. |
| Missing Water Level<br>Measurement - Water Act<br>License (License to<br>Divert Water) 233808-01-<br>00, Section 4.1 and 4.2. | 1                        | 353367   | 17-May-19                | Water Act License (License to Divert<br>Water) 233808-01-00, Section 4.1 and<br>4.2. | Operations shutdown Plant 91 for a preventative maintenance<br>turnaround for ~ 25 day window. The groundwater well is located in<br>Plant 91-3000. Operations determined without consultation that<br>since Plant 91 was down then the requirement to continue to<br>monitoring and record water levels in both the observation well<br>(OW3-05) and production well (PW3-05) was not required. This is<br>not the case as this well still provides utility/firewater for Plant 92.<br>This led to the missed daily level measurements for these wells while<br>the Plant 91 turnaround was taking place.  |
| Flare Stack Pilot Flame   | 1                        | 353293   | 13-May-19                | Approval Number 80105-01-00,<br>Schedule IV, Section 3                               | The Sulphur Recovery Unit (SRU) was down for turnaround resulting<br>in steam being sent to the Plant 91 Flare Stack during vessel and<br>piping purging activities. In addition, steam volume from several Well<br>Pads that is normally routed through Plant 92 was sent to the Plant<br>91 Flare Stack since the gas portion of the flow could not be sent to<br>the SRU for treatment. Due to the significant steam volume routed to<br>the Plant 91 Flare Stack, the combined gas flow dropped below the<br>minimum heating value of 12MJ/m3 resulting in the flame snuffing<br>out at approximately 22:00 on May 13.  |



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|--|--------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|---|---|
| CEMS Availability<br>Violation                               | 1                        | 353201                 | 10-May-19                | CEMS Code Section 5.4 Minimum<br>System Availability Requirements and<br>Approval Number 80105-01-00<br>Schedule III 2 (i) (D).   | On May 10, 2019 at 4:00 AM, a controller card on CEMS NOx<br>Analyzer 92AT-5553 failed resulting in the unit no longer collecting<br>data. The replacement parts were immediately ordered but due to<br>the lengthy delivery time, the unit was not be able to meet the 90%<br>uptime requirement for the month of May.   |
| Failure of Monitoring<br>equipment - Disposal<br>scheme 9487 | 1                        | N/A                    | May 1, 2020              | Voluntary self-disclosure related to the failure of equipment in the 100/02-15-095-06W4/00 DS5 disposal monitoring well (Approval No. 9487K, clause 6,).  | Suncor plans to deploy the field troubleshooting team when a critical mass of pending work is reached or in the case that a safety critical issue arises.   |
| Ecopit Unapproved<br>Fluids                                  | 1                        | 367580                 | 11-Jun-20                | IAR 2027929_3572936 - Oilfield Waste<br>Storage Component, known as the<br>"Eco-Pit". Section 2 - Produced<br>fluids/waste must be from within the<br>same production system as the location<br>NE 11-95-06W4M. Both the receiving<br>and the originating site must have the<br>same licensee or approval holder. | On June 11, 2020, a water truck was brought to the Firebag main<br>gate and switched out with the onsite Unit 790479 water truck. Unit<br>790494 arrived with 16.3 m3 of raw water in its tank that had been<br>loaded at RMWB water station in Fort McMurray. After switching<br>units at the gate, the Clean Harbors Water Truck Operator drove the<br>unit to the Clean Harbor's laydown yard, and parked the unit. This<br>Operator then was given instructions by the Clean Harbors<br>Supervisor to offload the raw water into the Eco-Pit. |



# **Compliance with Daily Average Maximum Operating Pressure**

• The following occurrences have taken place from March 1, 2019 – May 31, 2020 and are reported as per the daily average Maximum Well Head Injection Pressure (MWHIP) Approval (No. 8870LLL):

|                        |            |                   |                       | Severity                |  |
|------------------------|------------|-------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|--|
| Equipment Description  | Date       | Duration<br>(min) | MWHIP Limit<br>(kPag) | Peak Pressure<br>(kPag) | Daily Average Injection Pressure<br>(kPag) |
| 104S9 Injector Tubing  | 9/17/2019  | 1                 | 3570                  | 3795                    | 3331                                       |
| 104S8 Injector Tubing  | 9/17/2019  | 1                 | 3570                  | 3681                    | 3352                                       |
| 104S7 Injector Tubing  | 9/17/2019  | 1                 | 3570                  | 3723                    | 2942                                       |
| 103S7 Injector Tubing  | 9/23/2019  | 1                 | 3570                  | 3577                    | 3388                                       |
| 112P4 Producer BHP     | 9/25/2019  | 1.1               | 3840 (start-up mode)  | 3856                    | 2063                                       |
| 112S4 Injector Casing  | 11/30/2019 | 1                 | 3840 (start-up mode)  | 3856                    | 3049                                       |
| 102S3 Injector Tubing  | 11/30/2019 | 1                 | 3570                  | 3575                    | 2943                                       |
| 101S7 Injector Tubing  | 12/7/2019  | 1                 | 3570                  | 3590                    | 3224                                       |
| 103S11 Injector Casing | 2/8/2020   | 1                 | 3570                  | 3617                    | 2236                                       |
| 103S5 Injector Casing  | 2/8/2020   | 1                 | 3570                  | 3642                    | 2450                                       |

- No occurrences resulted in a daily average injection pressure above the specified MWHIP limit.
- All of the events were < 2 mins in duration. Corrective actions have been implemented to improve controller valve tuning to optimize valve response and decrease the likelihood of reoccurrence.
- When necessary, maintenance work has been completed to repair the affected equipment.



# Update on Deferral Approval for 4P10 Repair of SCVF

- As per Nov 10, 2016 Approval, Suncor has drilled 3 Quaternary monitoring wells on Pad 104 to determine groundwater flow direction and monitor potential for groundwater impacts around the SCVF at 4P10.
- Based on Statistical and Geochemical analysis, results indicate increasing trends of a few parameters due to heating as opposed to SCVF gases (Firebag Groundwater Monitoring Thermal Report, Approval No. 0080105-01-00, March 2020).
- As per the requirements of the Directive for the Assessment of Thermally-Mobilized Constituents in Groundwater for Thermal In Situ Operations, additional wells at downgradient locations are currently being planned as part of Suncor's 2021 Firebag Winter Program.



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