## Minnedosa Ethanol Plant CO<sub>2</sub> Sequestration Test Well

Pilot Project Application Renewal of Environment Act Licence No. 2698 R

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#### 1. ENVIRONMENTAL LICENCE RENEWAL REQUEST

On October 11, 2018, Husky Oil Operations Limited (Husky), at the request of Manitoba Conservation and Climate (MCC, formerly Manitoba Sustainable Development), submitted a Pilot Project Application detailing a proposed CO<sub>2</sub> sequestration test well drilling program (the Pilot Project). The Pilot Project's purpose was to evaluate the subsurface conditions beneath the Minnedosa Ethanol Plant (MEP) and determine the suitability for Carbon Capture and Storage (CCS). The Pilot Project Application included information on the regional geologic setting of the targeted injection zone, well construction and proposed testing, potential environmental impacts and mitigations, waste management, and well abandonment.

On November 7, 2018, MCC issued Environment Act Licence No. 2698 R approving Husky's request to conduct the Pilot Project and concluded that the environmental effects of the Pilot Project will be insignificant (Environment Act Licence No. 2698 R is included in Appendix A for reference).

Due to challenges in obtaining the mineral rights for the proposed injection formation, as required for a Well Licence under Manitoba Agriculture and Resource Development (MARD, formerly Manitoba Growth, Enterprise and Trade), Husky temporarily suspended the Pilot Project to investigate alternative opportunities. Subsequently, the Environment Act Licence No. 2698 R expired on December 31, 2020.

As of January 1, 2021, Husky is now part of the Cenovus group of companies and there is renewed interest in the Pilot Project. The MEP is now seeking regulatory approval from both MCC and MARD to proceed with the Pilot Project. Execution of the Pilot Project (i.e. drilling start date) is contingent on MARDs approval of Husky's Forced Pooling Application submitted May 26, 2021, and subsequent approval of a Well Licence Application.

Due to uncertainty with MARDs regulatory approval timeline, Husky is requesting MCC to renew/re-issue Environment Act Licence No. 2698 R with an expiry of December 31, 2023.

The sections below outline in more detail the Pilot Project using the same format as the application submitted on October 11, 2018. However, the information has been updated to reflect changes in the test well design/construction (Section 4.1, Appendix B and C). Specifically, the test well will be drilled directionally, as opposed to vertically, to ensure that the bottom hole location is appropriately spaced from the LSD 01 section boundary as per MARD requirements. Other sections also include minor updates but for the most part have remained unchanged from the original application.

#### 2. PILOT PROJECT OVERVIEW

Husky owns and operates the MEP located on the western edge of the Town of Minnedosa, Manitoba (Figure 1). The MEP creates fuel ethanol that is blended with gasoline and is then distributed to retail gas stations. During the fermentation process, approximately 120,000 tonnes of carbon dioxide gas (CO<sub>2</sub>) is

generated annually and vented to the atmosphere in accordance with an environmental license granted by MCC. Husky is proposing to capture this  $CO_2$  and dispose of it via deep well injection. Capturing the  $CO_2$ rather than venting it to atmosphere has the benefit of lowering the MEPs carbon intensity (CI) thereby making the fuel ethanol from the MEP attractive to purchasers.

Husky's Geological Services group has completed a regional desktop feasibility study and found that the Red River Formation in the Minnedosa area is a good candidate for CO<sub>2</sub> sequestration. However, the local geologic conditions beneath the MEP have not been assessed.

Husky is requesting approval from MCC to conduct a Pilot Project to test the suitability of the Red River Formation for CO<sub>2</sub> sequestration. The Pilot Project will consist of drilling a single test well into the Red River Formation and collecting the relevant geological and hydrogeological data to confirm subsurface conditions. Husky is requesting to conduct the Pilot Project until the end of 2023 to account for unanticipated changes in the drilling program timing and/or to allow for additional testing to be completed as required.

Assuming favorable subsurface conditions, Husky will seek Director's approval via completing a Notice of Alteration Application to operate the CO<sub>2</sub> sequestration injection well over the long-term.

#### 3. PILOT PROJECT LOCATION

The MEP is located on the western edge of the town of Minnedosa, Manitoba approximately 50 kilometres (km) north of Brandon, Manitoba (Figure 1). Husky is proposing to drill the CO<sub>2</sub> injection well (the Test Well) within the MEP located in 01-10-15-18W1M to allow for easy tie-in to the CO<sub>2</sub> vent stack (Figure 2).

The MEP is also located within the Little Saskatchewan River valley at an elevation of 510 metres above sea level (masl). The Little Saskatchewan River flows from east to west and is located immediately south of the MEP (Figure 1 and 2). Ground elevations increase to approximately 580 masl towards the north and to 540 masl towards the south (Google Earth, 2018). The Test Well will be located 146 m north of the ordinary high-water mark for the Little Saskatchewan River, in compliance with the set-back distances specified in the *Oil and Gas Act – Drilling and Production Regulation* (Manitoba Government, 1994).

#### 4. **GEOLOGY**

#### 4.1. Desktop Feasibility

A regional desktop feasibility study was conducted by Husky in April 2018. The study included the following:

- A review of existing oil, gas and salt water disposal wells surrounding the Minnedosa and Brandon area (Figure 3);
- A review of representative well logs from in-house and publicly available databases;
- A review of literature and other publicly available data;
- Construction of maps and cross-sections across the project area;
- Initial examination and review of well core and core data, porosity and permeability data; and
- A review of the regulatory and drilling/operational documents for the Brandon disposal wells, currently operated by Koch Fertilizer.

Following this desktop review, the Ordovician Red River Formation was identified as the target zone for CO<sub>2</sub> sequestration. A description of the regional geologic setting in the Minnedosa area is presented in Section 4.2 below.

#### 4.2. Regional Geologic Setting

The regional geologic setting presented herein incorporates information obtained from various publicly available reports/references, namely Bezys and Conley (1998), and is supplemented with interpretations of subsurface data by Husky. The sections below provide a brief discussion of the regional geology from the Precambrian basement (stratigraphically oldest) to Quaternary deposits (stratigraphically youngest). The focus of the discussion is on the proposed injection interval (Red River Formation) and the overlying caprock providing containment (Gunn Member of the Stony Mountain Formation). A stratigraphic chart is provided as Figure 4 and incorporates stratigraphic nomenclature adapted, in part, from Nicolas (2008). Two reference wells near Minnedosa have been used by Husky to pick formation tops, 16-26-014-18W1 and 2-21-015-18W1 (Figure 3).

As the purpose of this Pilot Project is to collect geologic data and confirm subsurface conditions below the MEP, local geologic features are not discussed herein.

#### 4.2.1. Precambrian Basement

The Precambrian basement in southwest Manitoba includes crystalline rocks of both the Superior and Churchill (younger) Structural Provinces. The highly tectonized contact between the two Provinces is known as the Churchill Superior Boundary Zone (CSBZ) and runs north to south across most of Manitoba. This boundary, located to the west of the Minnedosa area, has exerted little control on depositional patterns in the overlying Phanerozoic sedimentary rocks at Minnedosa. The Phanerozoic edge is represented on Figure 5 (red line) as the contact between the Proterozoic granites and gneisses and the

Paleozoic rocks. The top Precambrian surface dips to the southwest uniformly at about 2.5 m/km and is encountered at around -530 masl at Minnedosa.

#### 4.2.2. Upper Ordovician

#### 4.2.2.1. Winnipeg Formation

The Winnipeg Formation is the oldest Upper Ordovician formation present in the subsurface of the Minnedosa region. It is comprised of two informal members. The lowest Winnipeg Member is a quartzose basal sandstone, often porous, which unconformably overlies Precambrian rocks. This basal sandstone is about 10 m thick in the Minnedosa area and grades upwards into a light olive grey marine shale with thin interbeds of siltstone and sandstone. The upper shale member averages around 30 m in thickness, in the subsurface across much of Southern Manitoba, including at Minnedosa.

The thickness, continuity and lack of permeability to be expected within the shale portion of the upper Winnipeg Formation suggests it would have good potential as a base seal for CO<sub>2</sub> injected into the immediately overlying Red River Formation.

#### 4.2.2.2. Red River Formation

The Red River Formation is recognizable, widespread and thick across most of the Williston Basin. It is mainly comprised of various proportions of limestone, porous to tight dolostone, and anhydrite. In the United States part of the Williston Basin and in southeast Saskatchewan, the Red River Formation is an important oil and gas reservoir, reaching a thickness of up to 200 m near the centre of the Williston Basin (Longman and Haidl, 1996). In Manitoba, the Red River Formation has a maximum thickness of about 175 m near the Canada-United States border and thins to a zero edge as an outcrop belt along and southwest of Lake Winnipeg. A structural contour map of the Red River Formation is presented as Figure 5.

In the Minnedosa area, the Red River Formation is consistently about 140 m thick. Regional dip on the top of the Red River Formation is generally uniform towards the southwest at about 4 m/km. At Minnedosa, the subsurface elevation on the top of the Red River Formation averages about -340 masl.

For the purposes of this project, Husky proposes to subdivide the Red River Formation into an underlying Yeoman Formation and overlying Herald Formation as follows:

- Yeoman Formation Using well 02-21-015-18W1 as a reference, the Yeoman Formation (Lower Red River) will be considered to extend from the top of the Winnipeg Formation, (1,072 m) to the log depth of 950 m. This top is interpreted by Husky to be correlative with the top of Red River C Zone, a recognizable unit elsewhere in the Williston Basin, and includes significant thickness of porous dolostone reservoir in wells in the Minnedosa area.
- Herald Formation Using well 02-21-015-18W1 as a reference, the Herald Formation (Upper Red River), will be considered to extend from 929 m to the top of the underlying Yeoman Formation.

The Herald Formation in the Minnedosa area is thus considered by Husky to contain interbedded lithologies comprised of dolostone (locally porous), limestone (locally argillaceous, mainly tight) and thin anhydrite beds.

The stratigraphy of the Red River Formation will continue to be updated throughout the life of the Project. This will include:

- Incorporating recent publications dealing with regional Red River Formation sequence stratigraphy (such as Husinec, 2016); and
- Incorporating detailed descriptions on existing cores and any cores acquired throughout the Project.

Both approaches will enhance understanding of internal Red River Formation stratigraphy.

The consistent thicknesses and presence of porous dolostones within the bulk Red River Formation suggest to Husky that it is suitable for  $CO_2$  sequestration.

#### 4.2.2.3. Stony Mountain Formation

The Stony Mountain Formation is widespread throughout Southern Manitoba. It ranges in thickness from 30 to 50 m from south to north. The Stony Mountain Formation dips to the southwest at about 4.5 m/km.

The Stony Mountain Formation includes the Gunn Member comprised of marine shale, and the overlying Gunton Member comprised of fine crystalline nodular dolomite.

Using well 02-21-015-18W1 as a reference, the top of the Stony Mountain Formation in the Minnedosa area is interpreted by Husky to be at 894 m, with the top of the Gunn Member picked 912 m. The Gunn Member has a uniform thickness of about 20 m and is considered to be the caprock for the proposed  $CO_2$  injection into the immediately underlying Red River Formation.

#### 4.2.3. Upper Ordovician to Lower Silurian

#### 4.2.3.1. Stonewall Formation

The Stonewall Formation is relatively uniform in thickness and lithology throughout much of southern Manitoba. The Stonewall Formation has a lower dolostone of Ordovician age, which is commonly about 10 m thick in the Minnedosa area. The Silurian-Ordovician boundary is marked by the informal T-Marker; a thin but widely recognizable sandy shale. Overlying the T-Marker is the Silurian portion of the Stony Mountain Formation which comprises a 10 m thick succession of interbedded dolostones and sandy shales.

#### 4.2.4. Lower Silurian

#### 4.2.4.1. Interlake Group

The Interlake Group in Southern Manitoba is a lithologically consistent dolostone interval with a few thin but widespread shaley sandstone beds. The Interlake Group generally thins from around 100 m in southwest Manitoba, to about 90 m in the Minnedosa area. This thinning is likely due to sub-Middle Devonian erosion.

#### 4.2.5. Devonian

#### 4.2.5.1. Ashern Formation

The Ashern Formation is a thin but widespread dolomitic shale which mantles an unconformity overlying Lower Silurian Interlake Group strata. As a result, the Ashern Formation is somewhat variable in thickness from more than 50m in southwest Manitoba and generally thins eastward towards a subcrop edge. In the Minnedosa area, the Ashern Formation averages about 10 m in thickness.

#### 4.2.5.2. Winnipegosis and Prairie Evaporite Formations

These formations comprise an important carbonate bank system (Winnipegosis) and a partly timeequivalent to reciprocal evaporite basin fill system (Prairie). The important bank to basin transition is located southwest of Minnedosa. The Winnipegosis Formation, where fully developed as a carbonate bank, is typically 40 to 50 m thick, thinning to less than 20 m into the Elk Point Basin (southwest Manitoba). In the Minnedosa area, the Winnipegosis Formation is comprised of 35 m of porous dolostone, capped by 10 m of remnant Prairie Formation, which is comprised mainly of tight carbonate and probable thin beds of anhydrite.

#### 4.2.5.3. Manitoba Group

The Manitoba Group is about 150 m thick in the Minnedosa area and includes the Dawson Bay and overlying Souris River Formations. It contains the Middle to Upper Devonian boundary, which occurs within the Souris River Formation.

At Minnedosa, the Dawson Bay Formation is about 53 m thick. The basal 10 m is composed of dolomitic mudstones of the Second Red Bed Member. The remainder of the Dawson Bay Formation is about 43 m thick, with a lower argillaceous limestone, capped by a variably porous dolostone. Similarly, the Souris River Formation is comprised of a thin basal dolomitic and calcareous mudstone called the First Red Bed. The First Red Bed is about 15 m thick and transitions upwards into nearly 75 m of interbedded evaporites and carbonates forming the remaining portion of the Souris River Formation.

#### 4.2.5.4. Duperow Formation

The Duperow Formation is the youngest preserved Paleozoic section in the Minnedosa area. The Duperow Formation consists of a layered succession of carbonate and evaporites unconformably underlying the Lower Amaranth Formation. Due to erosion on the top of the Duperow, the thickness ranges from 30 to 44 m in the Minnedosa area.

#### 4.2.6. Triassic/Jurassic

#### 4.2.6.1. Lower Amaranth Formation

In the Minnedosa area, about 33 m of Lower Amaranth shales and minor redbeds unconformably overlie the Devonian Manitoba Group. The age of the Lower Amaranth remains uncertain. Most authors consider it to be Triassic, although biostratigraphic data is lacking.

#### 4.2.6.2. Upper Amaranth Formation

In the Minnedosa area, the Upper Amaranth Formation is about 30 m thick and is comprised of redbeds and anhydrite. Biostratigraphic control is poor but the formation is generally considered to be Jurassic in age. The Upper Amaranth Formation unconformably overlies the Lower Amaranth Formation.

#### 4.2.6.3. Melita Formation

The Jurassic aged Melita Formation, which comprises green to grey shales, unconformably overlies the Upper Amaranth Formation at Minnedosa. The Melita Formation is about 95 m thick at Minnedosa.

#### 4.2.7. Cretaceous

Cretaceous aged rocks, approximately 400 m thick, underlie a thin Quaternary section in the Minnedosa area. Cretaceous formations unconformably overlie the Jurassic Melita Formation. The oldest Cretaceous strata are comprised of the Lower Cretaceous Swan River Formation, composed of shale with a prominent sandstone top. The uppermost Lower Cretaceous and Upper Cretaceous section is comprised mainly of shales and lesser amounts of sandstone and includes the Colorado Group (which contains Base Fish Scales and the Second White Specks Zones), overlain by the Pierre Shale Formation.

#### 4.2.8. Quaternary

Quaternary deposits in the Minnedosa area consist of clay-till overlain by sand and gravel alluvium associated with the Little Saskatchewan River (Matile and Keller, 2004). Bedrock outcrop has been mapped by Pedersen (1973) immediately downstream of the MEP exposing the Pierre Shale Formation along the banks of the Little Saskatchewan River. Therefore, if present, clay-till deposits are expected to be thin underneath the MEP site and alluvial deposits could occur immediately above the bedrock surface.

Alluvial deposits range from one to 20 m within the Little Saskatchewan River Valley (Matile and Keller, 2004).

#### 5. TEST WELL CONSTRUCTION AND TESTING

The Test Well will be drilled directionally into the Red River Formation and reach a total depth of 1,048 m (FTD). Figure 2 shows the proposed location for the test well and the site survey is provided in Appendix B.

The Test Well construction will consist of four phases: conductor hole, surface hole, intermediate hole, and main hole, which will be executed in a sequential manner. A summary of each phase is presented in Section 5.1 below with additional drilling details provided in Appendix C. The information presented in Section 5.1 and Appendix B, may be modified/updated as new information becomes available prior to drilling and/or based on the subsurface conditions encountered during the drilling program.

Following the Test Well installation, step-rate and long-duration injectivity tests will be conducted to characterize the hydraulic conditions within the Red River Formation and the overlying caprock. Further details are presented in Section 5.2 below.

#### 5.1. Drilling

#### 5.1.1. Well Site

Well site preparation is summarized as follows:

- The well site location will be cleared and leveled to accommodate the rotary drilling equipment.
- A +/- 1.5 m diameter corrugated steel cellar for spill containment will be installed +/- 1.0 m below ground level (bgl) and the perimeter back filled before moving in the rig.
- A self-contained tank system will be used to collect and store the spent drilling fluids and drill cuttings. The spent drilling fluid and cuttings will be taken off-site for disposal in accordance with environmental requirements. Waste management procedures during drilling are described in Section 7

#### 5.1.2. Conductor Hole

The first stage of the drilling operation involves drilling and conductor hole and installing a conductor pipe. The purpose of the conductor pipe is to provide the initial stable structural foundation for the borehole. Details for the conductor hole/pipe installation are summarized as follows:

- Conductor hole will be drilled to +/- 12 m with an auger rig.
- 406.4 mm conductor pipe will be set at +/-12 m and back filled with cement to surface prior to moving the rotary-drilling rig on location.

#### 5.1.3. Surface Hole

After the conductor pipe has been installed, the borehole will be drilled deeper and surface casing will be installed. The surface casing purpose is to provide well control, hold back any unconsolidated sediments and prevent this material from entering the well bore, and isolate shallow groundwater from the contents of the borehole (i.e. drilling fluids).

Details for the surface hole/casing installation are summarized as follows:

- The surface hole will be drilled using a 311mm bit to a depth of 360m. This will satisfy 41(1) of the Manitoba Drilling and Production Regulation (Manitoba Government, 1994).
- Drilling fluids will consist of a freshwater gel slurry with density of +/- 1,050kg/m<sup>3</sup>
- 244.5mm surface casing will be installed to 360m and cemented to surface.
- Surface casing cement will be allowed to cure for eight hours prior to drill out as per 41(3) of the Manitoba Drilling and Production Regulation (Manitoba Government, 1994).
- The surface casing will be pressure tested to as per 41(3) of the Manitoba Drilling and Production Regulation (Manitoba Government, 1994).

Additional details with respect to the surface hole drilling operations are included in Appendix B.

#### 5.1.4. Intermediate Hole

After the surface casing has been installed, cemented and pressure tested, the borehole will be drilled to intermediate casing point and intermediate casing will be installed.

Details for the intermediate hole and casing installation are summarized as follows:

- A blow out preventer (BOP) will be installed to provide a secondary well control barrier.
- The intermediate hole section will be 222mm diameter and drilled directionally to a depth of 895 m terminating 10 meters into the Red River Formation.
- Drilling fluids will consist of a brine with a minimum mud density of 1,160kg/m<sup>3</sup> (determined from offset well drill stem test data and drilling records)
- During this drilling phase, core samples will be collected from the Stony Mountain, Gunn and Red River formations, which will provide information on the caprock immediately above the Red River Formation
- Following coring operations, geophysical logs will be run in the open hole (i.e. prior to installing the intermediate casing).
- 177.8mm intermediate casing will be run to 895m and cemented to surface.
  - Corrosion resistant alloy intermediate casing will be used to cover the Red River
     Formation and will extend 15m above the top of the Red River Formation in the 222mm hole.
  - The Intermediate cement is designed to resist corrosion caused by CO2 injection.
- The intermediate casing will be pressure tested as per 41(3) of the Manitoba Drilling and Production Regulation (Manitoba Government, 1994) after cement displacement.

- Intermediate cement will be allowed to cure for 12 hours prior to drill out as per 44(2) of the Manitoba Drilling and Production Regulation (Manitoba Government, 1994).
- A 7-mPa pressure pass cement bond log will be conducted on the 177.8mm intermediate casing cement to confirm the integrity of the cement. This operation is planned to occur after drilling the well to FTD allowing the cement to properly cure.

Additional details with respect to the intermediate hole drilling operations are included in Appendix B.

#### 5.1.5. Main Hole

After the 177.8mm intermediate casing has been installed, cemented and pressure tested, the borehole will be drilled to a total well depth of 1,048m (FTD). The main hole portion of the well bore will remain open hole. Open hole completions (or barefoot completions) allow for the optimization of injection volumes as the maximum surface area of geologic formation is exposed to the bore hole.

Details for the main hole drilling operations are summarized as follows:

- A blow out preventer (BOP) will be installed to provide a secondary well control barrier.
- The main hole will be 156mm diameter drilled to the final total depth of 1,048 m terminating in the Winnipeg Formation.
- Drilling fluids will consist of a brine with a minimum density of 1,100kg/m<sup>3</sup> (determined from offset well drill stem test data and drilling records)
- During this drilling phase, core samples will be collected from the Red River and Winnipeg formations, which will provide information on the proposed CO<sub>2</sub> injection interval (Red River Formation)
- Following coring operations, geophysical logs will be run in the open hole.
- While on-site, the drilling rig will be used to install an injection packer assembly and the 88.9mm injection tubing.
- The well will then be handed over to the completions team to perform the step-rate and long duration injection test (see Section 5.2 below for more details).

Additional details with respect to the main hole drilling operations are included in Appendix B.

#### 5.2. Injection Testing

An injectivity testing program will be conducted following the completion of the drilling program. Currently, fresh water provided by fire hydrants located on the MEP site is being proposed to be used for injection testing. However, water compatibility between the proposed fresh water injection fluid and the Red River Formation fluids will be assessed to ensure that no damage occurs to the Red River Formation. Water for the injection test will be stored on site temporarily using portable storage containers. Real-time downhole pressure recorders will be installed prior to the initiation of the injectivity test program to measure pressure changes observed during injection. Pressure recorders will also be installed at the surface to measure changes in wellhead pressures during injection.

The injectivity testing program will consist of two tests: a step-rate and long-duration injection test.

The main purpose of the step-rate injectivity test is to:

- Evaluate the formation fracture pressure thereby determining a maximum operating wellhead injection pressure;
- Evaluate the near borehole hydraulic parameters (i.e. hydraulic conductivity/permeability) for the Red River Formation;
- Confirm the injection rate for the long-duration injection test; and
- Facilitate the prudent design of long-term injection operations.

Table 1 provides a summary of the proposed step-rate injectivity testing program. The step-rate test is designed to reach and exceed the Red River Formation fracture pressure. However, as the subsurface conditions have not been confirmed, the step-rate program may be modified based on the information gathered during the drilling program and may also be modified based on observations collected in the field during the testing program.

Step	Rate (m³/day)	Step Duration (min)	Volume per Step (m³)	Total Volume (m³)
1	600	60	25	25
2	1200	60	50	75
3	1800	60	75	150
4	2400	60	100	250
5	3000	60	125	375
6	3600	60	150	525
7	4200	60	175	700
Recovery	-	420	-	-

#### Table 1: Proposed Step-Rate Injectivity Test

As shown in Table 1, the step-rate test will consist of seven, one-hour steps where the injection rate will increase by 600 cubic metres (m<sup>3</sup>)/day for each subsequent step. Following the seven-hour injection period, the Test Well be allowed to recover for a minimum of seven hours.

The long-duration injection test will be initiated immediately after completion of the step-rate test recovery period. The long-duration test will consist of injecting at a rate of 100 m<sup>3</sup>/day for five days. Again, the long-duration injectivity testing program may have to modified based on the information gathered during the drilling program and the results of the step-rate injectivity test. Following the injection period, the well will be allowed to recover for a minimum of five days prior to removal of equipment. The primary purpose of the long-duration injectivity test is to collect information with respect to aquifer boundary conditions. In other words, Husky would like to confirm that sufficient permeability exists within the Red River Formation and that it extends beyond the near borehole environment.

Injection testing using  $CO_2$  is not being proposed as part of this Pilot Project. The information gathered during the drilling and injection testing programs, as outlined above, will be sufficient to confirm subsurface conditions.

#### 6. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

The potential for impacts to the environment during the drilling, completions and testing programs are minimal.

Table 2 summarizes the environmental risks that may be encountered during the Test Well installation and testing programs and associated mitigation measures.

Risk	Potential Causes	Mitigation Measures	Monitoring	Remedial Actions if Required
Surface spills (contamination to soils)	<ul> <li>Hydraulic line breaks</li> <li>Gasoline/diesel spills</li> <li>Drilling fluid, mud or cement spills</li> <li>Sourced from the drilling rig or other support vehicles</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Spill kits</li> <li>On-site vacuum trucks</li> <li>Secondary containment for brine storage when not in mud tanks</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Routine visual inspection of fluid containment piping and tanks</li> <li>Electronic fluid level monitoring system on rig mud tanks</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Reporting of all reportable spills</li> <li>Containment, clean up and removal of contaminated surface materials and transport to licenced waste management facility</li> </ul>
Shallow groundwater contamination	<ul> <li>Toxic drilling fluid additives introduced to shallow groundwater aquifers during surface hole drilling and cementing activities</li> <li>Poor surface casing cement integrity</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Maintain drilling fluid additives below toxic levels</li> <li>Proper hole cleaning and minimizing borehole washout</li> <li>Surface casing set below ground water aquifers</li> <li>Surface casing cemented to surface with proper centralization</li> <li>Proper cement type and placement</li> <li>Following good cementing practices</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Design and test the toxicity of drilling fluid used for surface hole</li> <li>Monitoring and reporting of cement returns</li> <li>Surface gas migration and surface casing vent flow testing and monitoring</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Reporting of potential ground water contamination</li> <li>Temperature or cement bond log (CBL) to determine cement top, if no cement returns on surface casing</li> <li>If necessary, remedial cementing to prevent shallow groundwater contamination (as directed by Manitoba Petroleum Branch)</li> </ul>

Risk	Potential Causes	Mitigation Measures	Monitoring	Remedial Actions if Required
Surface gas migration	Poor cement placement and integrity	<ul> <li>Use of gas detector during drilling to identify gas charged zones</li> <li>Proper hole cleaning and minimizing borehole washout</li> <li>Casing cemented to surface with proper centralization</li> <li>Proper cement type and placement</li> <li>Following good cementing practices</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Monitoring and reporting of cement returns</li> <li>Surface gas migration and surface casing vent flow testing and monitoring</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Reporting of potential ground water contamination</li> <li>Temperature or cement bond log (CBL) to determine cement top, if no cement returns on surface casing</li> <li>If necessary, remedial cementing to prevent shallow groundwater contamination (as directed by Manitoba Petroleum Branch)</li> </ul>

Loss of well control	Shallow gas	Offset well review to	Well site supervision	Reporting
Loss of well control	<ul> <li>Shallow gas</li> <li>Water flow</li> <li>Loss circulation</li> <li>Well control equipment malfunction</li> <li>Human error</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>determine presence of shallow gas in area</li> <li>Offset well review to determine presence of water flows</li> <li>Offset well review for formation pressures and historical mud weights used to drill.</li> <li>Well has adequate casing design for burst, collapse and tensile loads expected.</li> <li>Use of electronic rig equipment to monitor drilling parameters and well control indicators.</li> <li>Husky and Drilling Contractor Supervisors are competent on identifying well control signs, shut-in procedures and well kill procedures (as per Husky, regulatory and industry recommended practices).</li> <li>Well control drills to confirm competency of personnel on site</li> <li>Adequate mud volume and mud products on site to manage mud losses or increasing mud weight if required.</li> <li>Proper selection of rig and equipment for scope of well (including rig load rating, drill string, BOPs, manifold, degasser, flare tank, pumps, mud tank capacity etc.).</li> <li>Selection of drilling contractors with adequate standards related to well control training and equipment.</li> <li>Proper handover meetings to ensure</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Well site supervision and Rig crew well control certification verified before spud.</li> <li>Well control drills to test competency.</li> <li>Equipment pressure and function testing conducted as regulatory requirements and witnessed/recorded in daily reports</li> <li>Husky drilling supervisor observe, validate and report proper drilling practices related to well control</li> <li>Real-time monitoring of drilling parameters including background gas, connection gas, trip gas, flow, mud tank volume, mud tank gain/loss, rate of penetration, pump rate/pressure, rotary rpm/torque, weight on bit and hook load.</li> <li>Husky provides 24- hour drilling supervision on site (2 x 12 shifts).</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Reporting</li> <li>Adjust mud weight as required based on indications of over pressure (gas response, flow, etc.).</li> <li>Control mud losses using loss circulation material</li> <li>Use of well control equipment to conduct well control procedures.</li> </ul>
		<ul><li>training and equipment.</li><li>Proper handover</li></ul>		

In the unlikely event of a large volume fluid release to surface, fluids would be collecting through the existing surface water run-off infrastructure. Fluids would accumulate in the drainage ditch located immediately south of the Test Well location. The fluids collected will be tested before being released into the surface water collection ponds (refer to the site survey provided in Appendix B). Any water collected onsite will be tested before it is released in accordance with regulatory requirements.

#### 7. WASTE MANAGEMENT

Drilling waste is anticipated to consist of drilling fluids and drill cuttings associated with the freshwaterbased gel-slurry (surface hole), freshwater-based calcium polymer (intermediate hole), and brine water systems (main hole). Refer to Sections 4.1.3 to 4.1.5 and Appendix C for more details.

Wastes associated with drilling the surface, intermediate and main hole sections will include rock cuttings from the freshwater-based and brine drilling fluids, and cement returns from the casing installations. The shale shakers and centrifuge will be used continuously to separate drilling cuttings from drilling fluid and minimize volume of solid waste. Drill cuttings might be mixed with sawdust to stabilize the waste for transport if liquid retention on cuttings is high. Paint filter tests will be conducted on drill cuttings. Drill cuttings and excess cement returns will then be sent to a license solid waste landfill.

#### 8. TEST WELL ABANDONMENT

If the results of the drilling, completions and testing programs indicate that subsurface conditions are inadequate to support CO<sub>2</sub> injection, the Test Well will be abandoned in accordance with the Oil and Gas Act – Drilling and Production Regulation (Manitoba Government, 1994). Additional abandonment details are provided in Appendix B. Environmental risks associated with abandonment activities are minimal and include potential surface spills (see

Table 2 above for mitigation measures).

As the Test Well is located on the existing MEP site, surface reclamation would not be initiated following abandonment procedures. Rather, the surface footprint would be reclaimed in accordance with decommissioning procedures outlined in the MEP's existing Environment Act Licence (No. 2698R).

#### 9. ALTERATION APPLICATION

If the Pilot Project is successful and Husky chooses to proceed, Husky will seek the Director's approval for long-term CO<sub>2</sub> injection operations by submitting a Notice of Alteration Application. Husky understands that an approval would likely include a revision of the existing Environment Act Licence (No. 2698R) issued to the MEP.

#### 10. CLOSURE

If additional information or clarification is required, please don't hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

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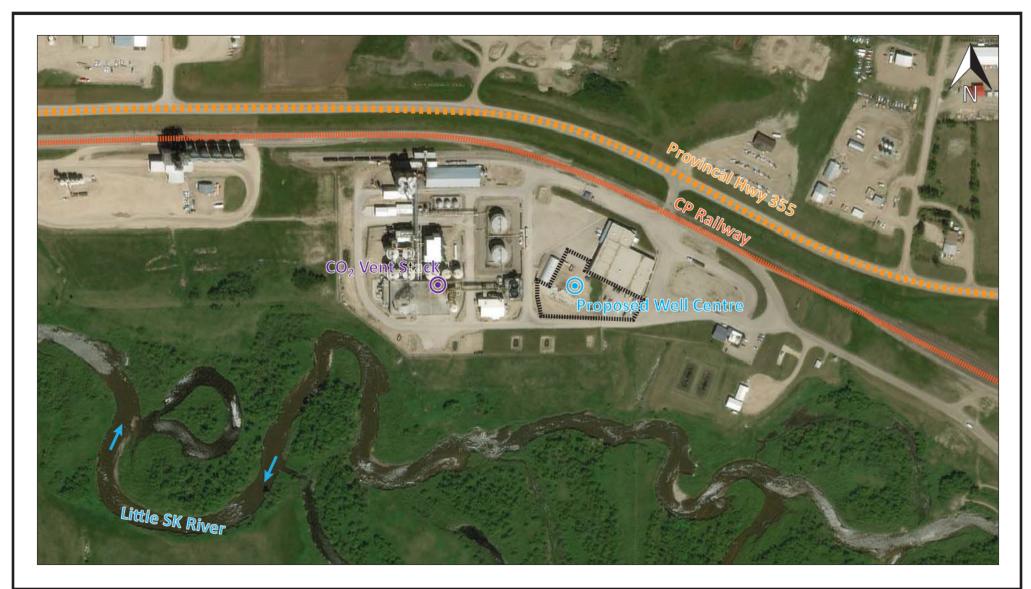
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#### MAP DESCRIPTION

Aerial photograph of Husky's Minnedosa Ethanol Plant (foreground) looking east towards the Town of Minnedosa, Manitoba.

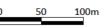




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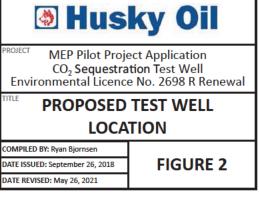
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- Approximate Drilling Rig Area
- Approximate Location of CO<sub>2</sub> Vent Stack
- Proposed Test Well Centre
- River Flow Direction

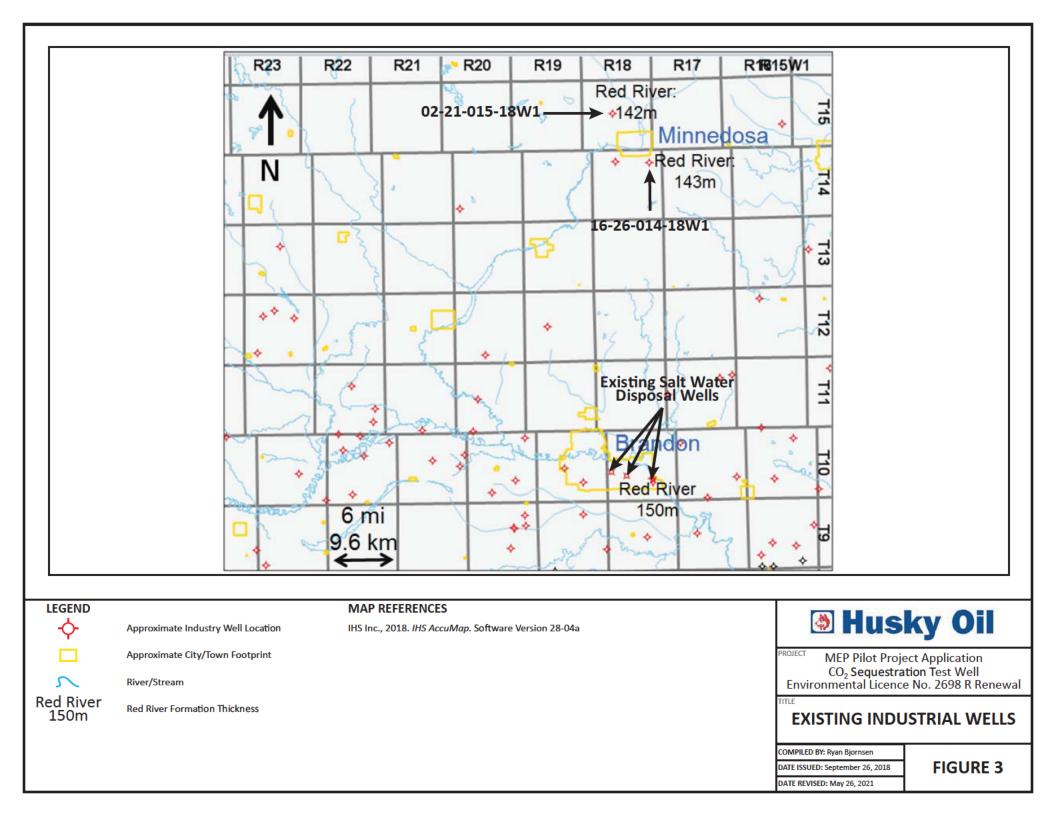
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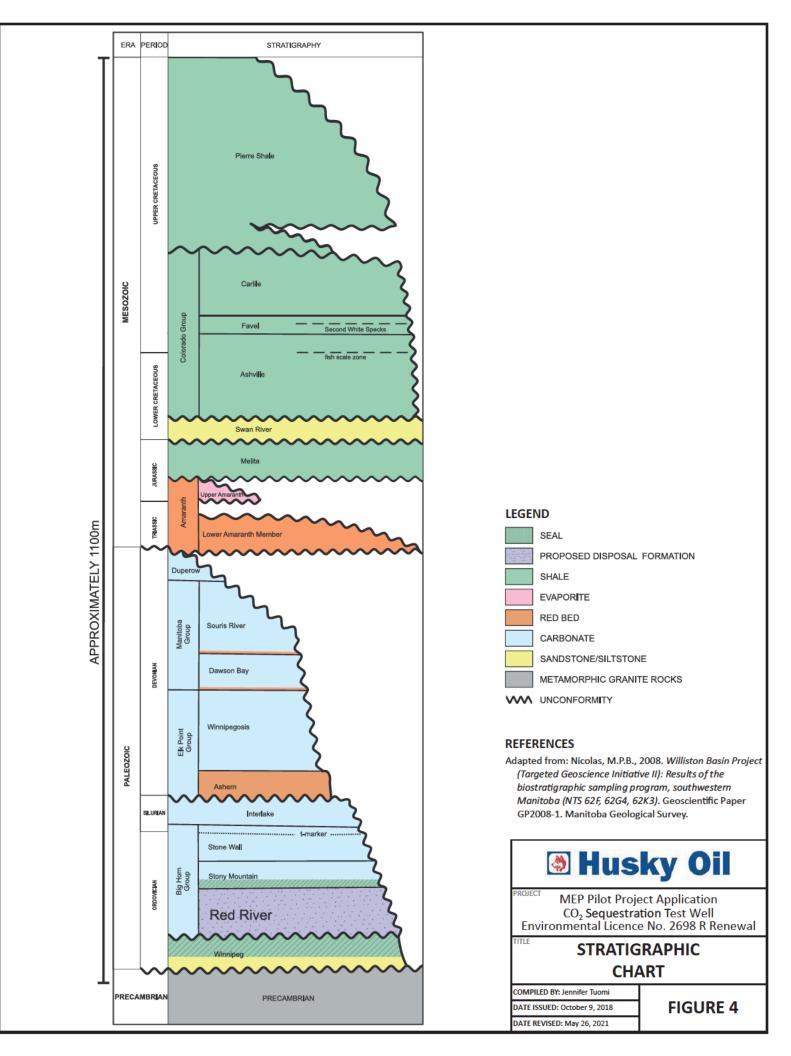


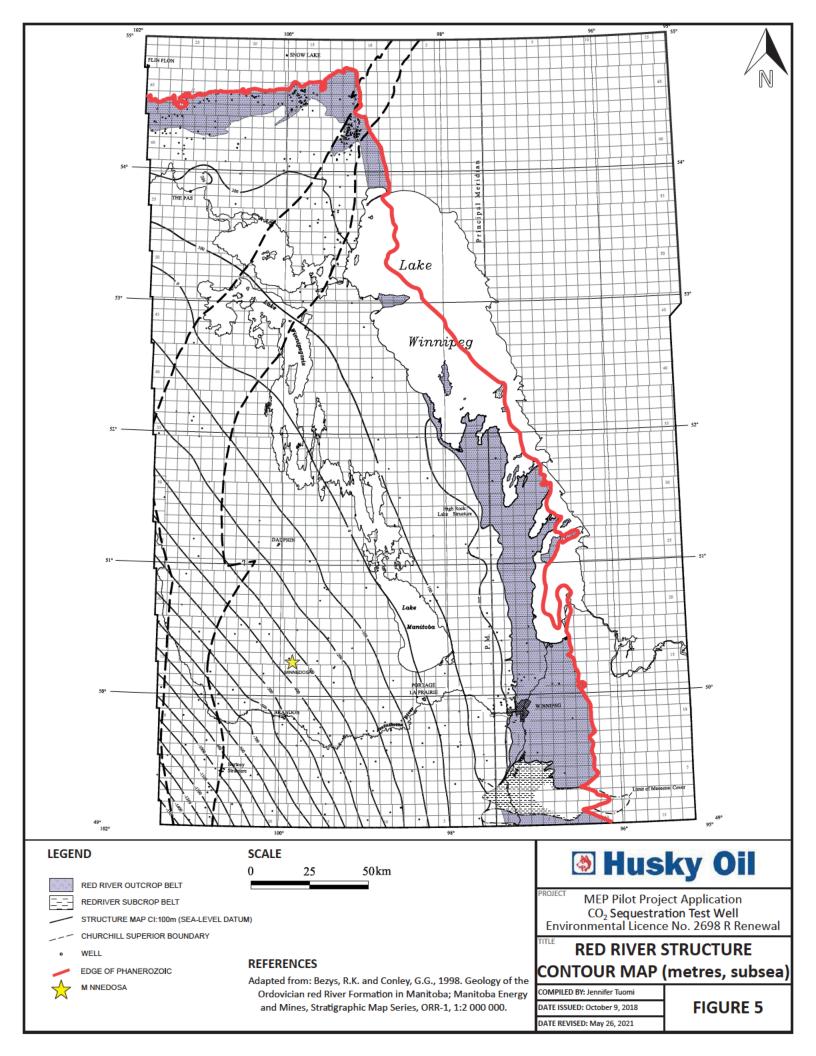
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Appendix A

**Environment Act Licence No. 2698 R** 



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File: 5093.00 Environment Act Licence No. 2698 R

November 7, 2018

Ryan Bjornsen, P. Geo. Hydrogeologist - Corporate Responsibility Husky Energy 707 – 8th Avenue SW Calgary, AB T2P 3G7 Via Email: <u>Ryan.Bjornsen@huskyenergy.com</u>

Dear Mr. Bjornsen:

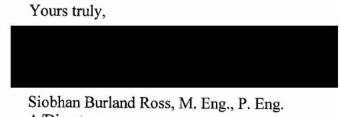
#### Re: Husky Oil Operations Ltd. – Minnedosa Ethanol Plant – CO<sub>2</sub> Sequestration Pilot Project

Thank you for the proposal dated October 11, 2018 requesting approval for a proposed carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) sequestration pilot project. The pilot project includes drilling a test well into the Red River Formation to a depth of 1,042 m and collecting relevant geological and hydrogeological data to confirm the suitability of subsurface conditions. It was reported in the proposal that, if successful, the 120,000 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> gas which is vented to the atmosphere each year by the plant will be captured and disposed of via deep well injection in order to lower the carbon intensity of the plant.

Upon review of your request, I have concluded that the environmental effects of the pilot project will be insignificant. Therefore, your request is approved as described in the October 11, 2018 submission with the following conditions:

- 1. The proponent shall notify the Environment Office at least 2 weeks before the start of well drilling.
- 2. In the event that the project is not successful, the proponent shall decommission the test well within 90 days in a manner that is acceptable to an Environment Officer.
- 3. If the project is successful, the proponent shall submit a Notice of Alteration request with a detail report including the analysis of the pilot project test result for review and approval by the Director.
- 4. This approval shall terminate on December 31, 2020.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Mr. Peter Crocker, Regional Supervisor, at (204) 726-6565.

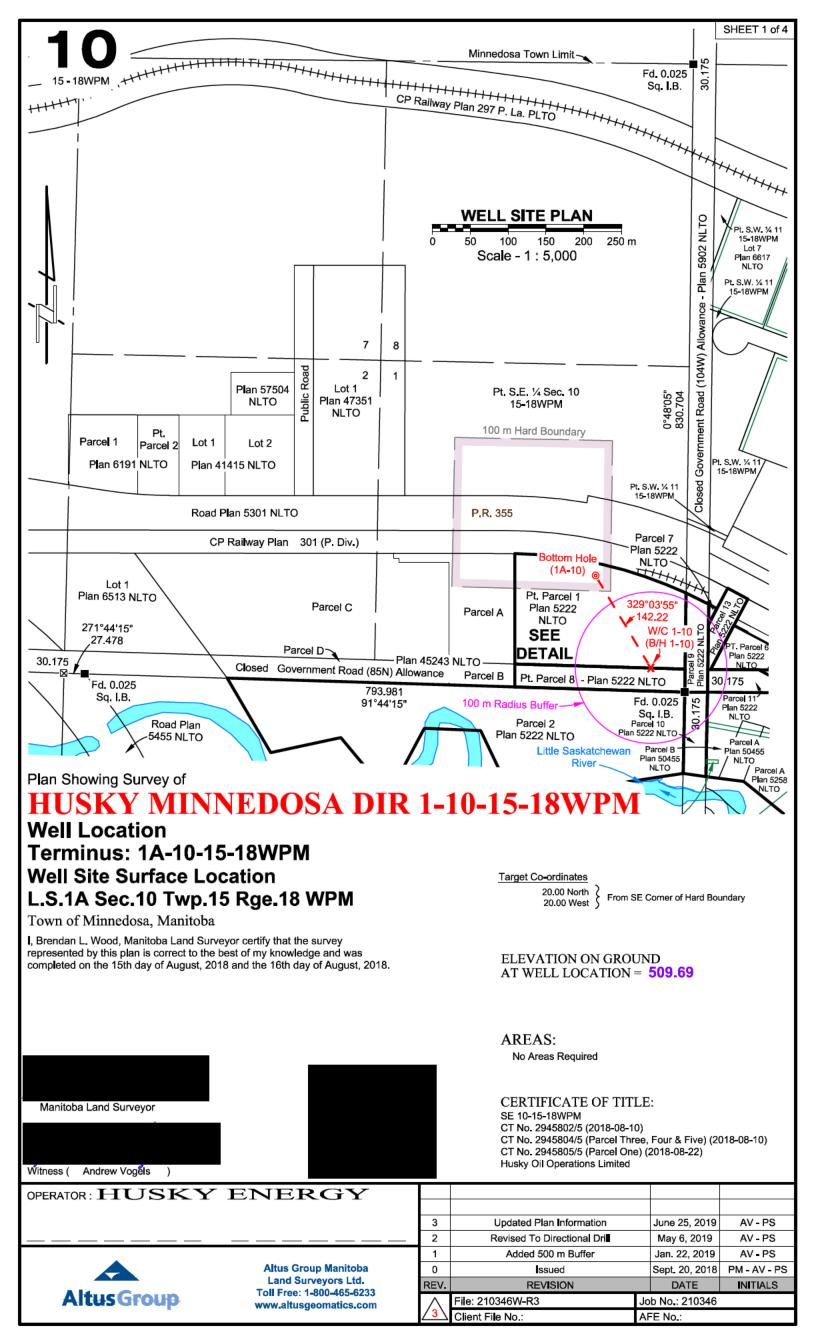


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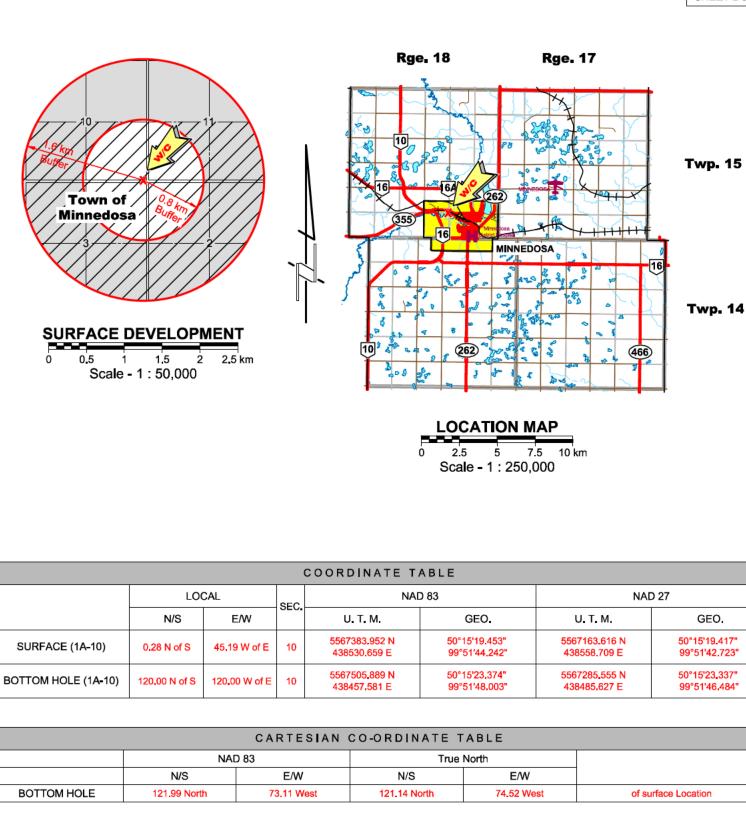
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Appendix B

Site Survey



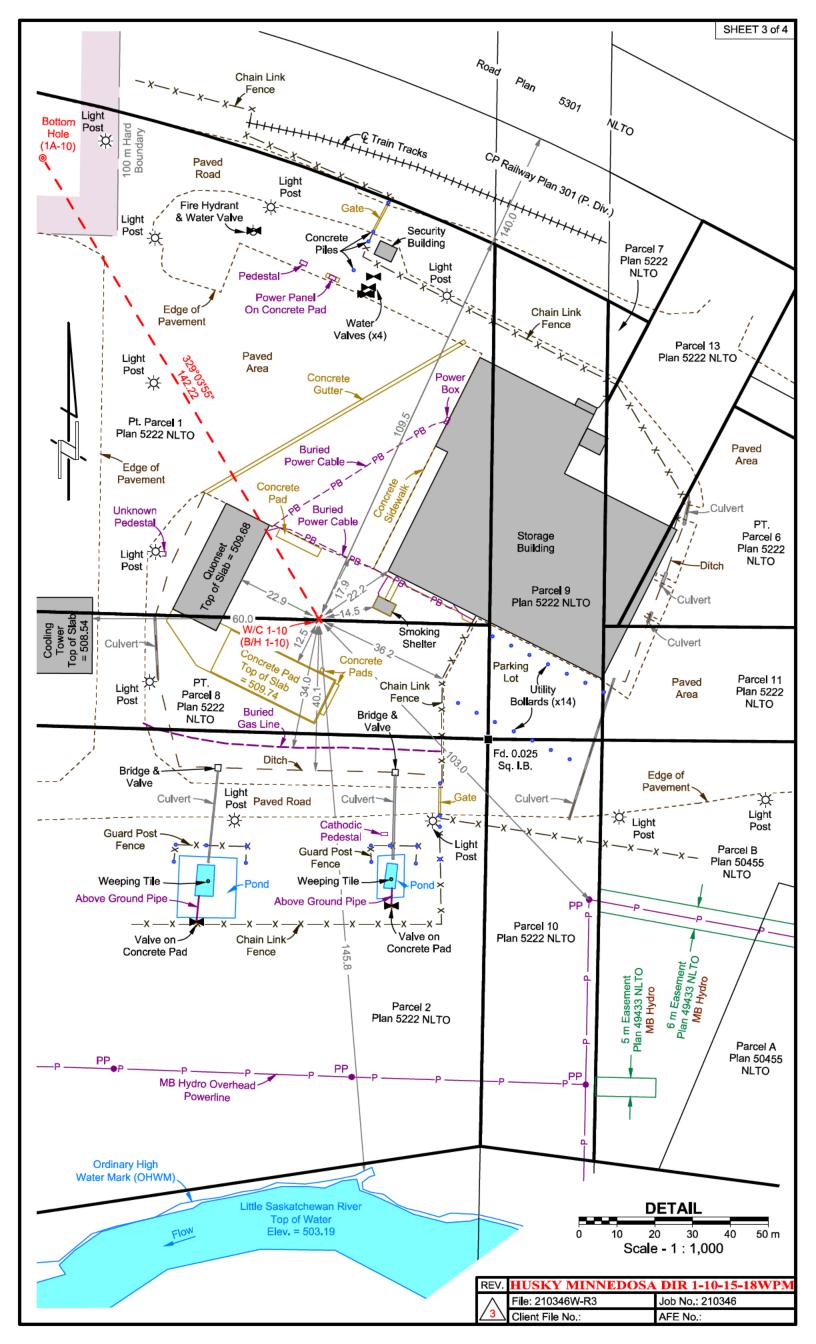
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- NAD 83 distances shown are cartesian referenced to UTM GRID, NAD 83, ZONE 14

- True North distances shown are cartesian referenced to True North (Grid Convergence = -0.6630°)

LEGEND:         Surface Location - Horizontal / Directional / Slant         100 m and 500 m Buffer outlined thus         Legal Survey Posts (found / planted)         Surveyed Well Centre	 <ol> <li>NOTES:</li> <li>UTM and Geographic Co-ordinates are Derived from GNSS</li> <li>Unless indicated otherwise, coordinates and bearings are referred to UTM Zone 14 NAD83 (CSRS) Epoch 1997, and were derived from GNSS observations to the Saskatoon base station of the Canadian Active Control System (965001).</li> <li>Distances are ground and in metres and decimals thereof.</li> <li>Combined Scale Factor used = 0.999570</li> <li>Elevations are in metres, referred to CGVD28 (mean sea level) and were derived from the Saskatoon base station of the Canadian Active Control Network (965001) (Elev. = 600.674).</li> </ol>
LICENSING INFORMATION: The Proposed Well : - Is at least 1.5 km from the Corporate Limits of a City, Town or Village - Is at least 100 m from a Water Covered Area	This plan represents the best information available at the time of survey. Altus Group Manitoba and its employees take no responsibility for the location of any underground pipes, conduits, or facilities, whether shown on or omitted from this plan. An additional search for specific buried facilities utilizing all resources must be performed just prior to construction.         Town of Minnedosa, Bell MTS, Manitoba Hydro, and Manitoba Hydro-Gas Operations MUST be contacted for location of any underground facilities that may exist.         REV.       HUSKY MINNEDOSA DIR 1-10-15-18WPM         Alight Client File No.:       Job No.: 210346



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> WELL SITE PLAN 100 150 200 250 m 50 Scale - 1 : 5,000



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# **HUSKY ENERGY**

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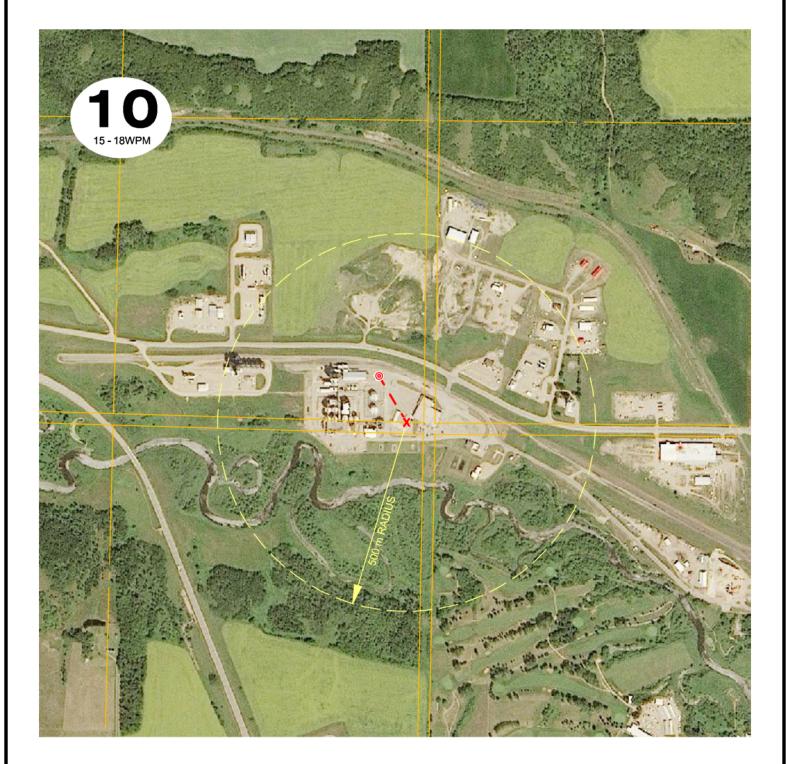


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#### WELL SITE PHOTO PLAN

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**Detailed Drilling Program** 

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# 1. WELL SITE

Refer to Appendix B for well site survey. This survey will be updated when Husky confirms the drilling start date.

- The well site location will be cleared and leveled to accommodate the rotary drilling equipment.
- A +/- 1.5 m diameter corrugated steel lined cellar will be dug into the pad to 1 to 1.5 m below ground level and back filled before moving the rig.
- A self-contained tank system will be used to collect and store the spent drilling fluids and drill cuttings. The spent drilling fluid and cuttings will be taken off-site for disposal in accordance with environmental requirements.

# 2. CONDUCTOR HOLE

Details for the conductor hole installation are as follows:

- Conductor hole will be drilled to +/- 12 m with an Auger Rig.
- 406.4 mm conductor pipe will be set at +/-12 m and back filled with cement to surface prior to moving rotary-drilling rig on location.

# 3. SURFACE HOLE

- Move in and rig up rotary-drilling rig and equipment capable of drilling to total depth or more.
- An electronic drilling recorder system will be rigged up and operational throughout surface hole. A continuous record of rate of penetration, hook load, pump pressure, pump strokes, rotary RPM, rotary toque, total mud tank volume and pit volume gain/loss will be maintained.
- A gas detector will be installed in the shale shaker box used for monitoring gas liberated from the drilling fluid to map any gas bearing formations.
- A riser pipe will be installed on the conductor to bring the drilling fluid and cuttings to surface while drilling surface hole.
- Kelly bushing height above ground level will be measured and recorded and used as the depth datum during drilling operations.
- Surface hole drilling operations:
  - Surface hole will be drilled with a 311mm drill bit to a depth of 360m. This will satisfy 41(1) of the Manitoba Drilling and Production Regulation.
  - Drilling assembly will consist of:
    - Drill bit
    - Drill collars
    - Drilling jars
    - Heavy weight drill pipe
  - MWD directional surveys will be used to measure inclination deviation while drilling surface hole.
  - 244.5mm surface casing will be run to 360m and cemented to surface.
- A casing bowl will be installed onto the 244.5mm casing before installing BOPs and pressure testing all well control equipment as per section 3.4 prior to drilling out of the surface casing.

# 3.1. Drilling Fluid

Mud Type	Density	Additives
Fresh Water Gel Slurry	1,050 kg/m³	Fresh water + Viscosifier (bentonite) + loss circulation material (walnut shells, fibers, etc. as necessary to control losses)

Material safety data sheets for all drilling fluid additives will be available on location during drilling
operations.

#### • Solids control:

o Shale shakers and centrifuge will be used to separate drill cuttings from drilling fluid.

# 3.2. Casing

Inte	erval	Size (mm)	Weight Tubular		Thread Pipe ID (mm)	Pipe Drift	Coupling	
From	То	Size (mm)	(kg/m)	Grade	Туре	Pipe ID (mm)	(mm)	OD (mm)
0	360	244.5	53.6	J-55	LT&C	226.6	222.6	269.9
			Minimum	Performance I	Properties of (	Casing		
	Pipe Body B	urst Pressure Ra	ating (kPa)			24,300		
	Connection E	Burst Pressure R	ating (kPa)		24,300			
	Collapse	Pressure Rating	g (kPa)		13,900			
	Body \	/ield Strength (a	laN)		250,900			
	Joir	nt Strength (daN	1)		201,500			
			Rec	ommended Ma	ake-up Torque	1		
	0	ptimum (ft-lbs)			4,530			
	Minimum (ft-lbs)				3,400			
Maximum (ft-lbs)						5,660		

Load	AER Directive 10 Surface Casing Design Requirements	Internal Pressure	External Pressure	Tensile Load
Burst	Design factor = 1.0 for sweet wells or sour wells with pp H2S < 0.3 kPa.	5 x 870mTVD (ICP) = 4,350 kPa.	0 kPa/m gradient.	N/A
	Design factor = 1.25 for sour wells where the surface casing is potentially exposed to an pp $H2S \ge 0.3 \text{ kPa}.$			
	As a minimum, the casing burst pressure load (kPa) must be no less than 5 times the setting depth (metres true vertical depth [m TVD]) of the next casing string.			
Collapse	Design factor = 1.0. The casing collapse pressure rating (API Bulletin 5C2) must exceed the external pressure acting on the casing at any given point. No allowance is made for internal pressure, as total evacuation of the casing is assumed.	0 kPa/m gradient.	Maximum drilling fluid density while drilling surface hole = 1,200 kg/m <sup>3</sup> = 11.77 kPa/m.	N/A
	Axial loading reduces casing collapse pressure rating. The method used to calculate the collapse pressure reduction is outlined in the latest edition of API Bulletin 5C3. The ERCB will continue to accept casing designs where		therefore gradient of 12 kPa/m will be used.	

	Appendix E has been used to calculate the		360mTVD * 12	
	reduced collapse pressure.		kPa/m = 4,320 kPa	
	The external pressure acting on the casing is			
	calculated using an external fluid gradient of 12			
	kPa/m. If the actual drilling fluid gradient is			
	higher than 12 kPa/m, that higher gradient			
	must be used. An acceptable design may be			
	based on a lesser external fluid gradient, but			
	not less than 11 kPa/m, provided that the			
	actual drilling fluid gradient at the time of			
	running casing does not exceed the design			
	gradient.			
	gradient.			
	If the Simplified Method does not meet the			
	minimum design collapse factors, the			
	Alternative Design Method must be applied for			
	collapse design.			
Tension	Design factor = 1.6. No allowance is made for	N/A	N/A	Tensile force from weight of
Tension	buoyancy.			casing in air = $360m \times 53.6$
	budyancy.			kg/m x 0.981kg-force =
	The casing minimum tensile strength must			18,929 daN.
	exceed 1.6 times the design tensile load acting			10,525 uall.
	on the casing at any given point. The lesser of			
	the pipe body yield strength or the joint			
	strength (connection parting strength) must be			
	considered in the casing minimum tensile			
	strength.			
	If the Cimplified Method does not constant			
	If the Simplified Method does not meet the			
	minimum design tension factors, the			
	Alternative Design Method must be applied for			
	tension design.			

Calculated Design Safety Factors							
Load	Required	Calculated					
Burst	1.00	5.59					
Collapse	1.00	3.09					
Tension	1.60	10.64					

Surface Casing String with Float Equipment and Casing Accessories					
Description	Description and Centralization				
244.5mm Float Shoe	Contains 1 <sup>st</sup> float.				
244.5mm, 53.6 kg/m, J-55, LT&C Shoe Joint	Bow spring centralizer placed over stop collar 1 m above float shoe				
Float Collar	Contains 2 <sup>nd</sup> float				
244.5mm, 53.6 kg/m, J-55, LT&C to surface	Bow spring centralizer to be placed over every casing collar to				
	surface for adequate stand-off.				

# 3.3. Cementing

Туре	Composition	Density	Volume
Pre-Flush	Fresh Water	1,000 kg/ m³	2.0m <sup>3</sup>
Pre-Flush	Fresh Water + Viscosifier	1,100 kg/m <sup>3</sup>	4.0m <sup>3</sup>
Cement	Class C + Cement Accelerator + Cement Defoamer + LCM as	1,550 kg/m³	+/- 200% XS from gauge
	necessary		

Wellbore preparation prior to cementing:

- Wellbore is to be static with all losses (if encountered) healed prior to cementing.
- To ensure effective drilling fluid removal, rheology of the drilling fluid will be reduced prior to the cement job.
- Once casing is on bottom, drilling fluid will be circulated at drilling annular velocity (>45m/minute) with pipe reciprocation to break gel strengths and clean the whole prior to cementing.
- A fluid caliper may be circulated to measure hole cleaning performance and validate cement volumes.
- Cement volumes will be adjusted based on loss circulation risk.

Cementing operation practices:

- Two samples of the cement blend and cement water will be collected and retained for verification testing if needed.
- Job data including densities of all fluids pumped, pump rates and surface pump pressures will be recorded during the cement job and displacement via cement pumper.
- Casing will be reciprocated while cementing.
- Top and bottom cement plugs will be used.
- Maximum over displacement from calculated volume will be limited to 50% of the shoe track volume to avoid a wet casing shoe.
- Upon the top cement plug landing on the float collar, displacement pressure will be further increased 3,500 kPa from the last circulation pressure and held for 5 minutes.

Surface casing drill out:

• Surface cement will be allowed to cure for 8 hours prior to drill out as per 41(3) of the Manitoba Drilling and Production Regulation.

#### 3.4. Pressure Testing

Surface casing pressure testing:

- Pressure will be brought down to 0 kPa after bumping the top cement plug and the casing floats will be observed for bleed back.
- If there is no bleed back once pressure is released, the surface casing will be pressure tested to 7,000 kPa for 10 minutes as per 41(3) of the Manitoba Drilling and Production Regulation.

Summary of Pressure tests required as per 32(1) and 41(3) of the Manitoba Drilling and Production Regulation prior to drilling out of surface									
casing									
Equipment	Low (kPa)	Time (Minutes)	High (kPa)	Time (Minutes)					
Annular	1,400	10	7,000	10					
Rams	1,400	10	7,000	10					
Bleed-off Line and Valves	1,400	10	7,000	10					
Manifold Valves	1,400	10	7,000	10					
Kill Line and Valves	1,400	10	7,000	10					
Stabbing Valve	1,400	10	7,000	10					
Inside BOP	1,400	10	7,000	10					
Lower Kelly Cock	N/A	10	7,000	10					
Surface Casing	N/A	N/A	7,000	10					

## 3.5. Well Control and Blow Out Preventer Set-up

There will be no use of a diverter system while drilling surface hole.

#### 4. INTERMEDIATE HOLE

- A casing bowl will be installed onto the surface casing.
- Well control equipment (BOP) will be installed on top casing bowl and pressure tested as per section 3.4 prior to drilling out of the surface casing shoe.
- Intermediate drilling operations:
  - o 222mm directional hole is planned to be drilled to core point #1 at 837mMD.
  - Drilling Assembly will consist of:
    - Drill bit
    - Directional assembly
    - Drilling jars
    - Heavy weight drill pipe to surface
  - MWD directional surveys will be taken to measure deviation while drilling intermediate hole.
  - A coring assembly with 222mm core head, 6.75" core barrel with aluminum sleeves will be used to cut 3.50" or 4.00" (depending on decision to use or not use a coring JamBuster respectively) diameter core from 837m – 895m (ICP) = 58m of core in a single run.
  - 3 open hole logging runs will be conducted after coring.
    - Run 1: Platform express with resistivity and 4-arm caliper
      - Run 2: Sonic scanner
      - Run 3: Formation micro imager
  - o 177.8mm intermediate casing will be run to 895m and cemented to surface.
    - The intermediate casing that will be set into the Red River and extending 15m above the top of the Red River will be 28CR-110 corrosion resistant alloy material.
    - Intermediate cement is designed to resist carbonation from CO<sub>2</sub> injection.
  - Once the intermediate cement has gained sufficient compressive strength the BOPs will be removed from the casing bowl to install the tubing spool. A double studded adapter will then be used to crossover the 279.5mm BOP flange to the 179.4mm tubing head flange.

• All well control equipment will then be pressure tested as per section 4.5 prior to drilling out the intermediate casing shoe.

# 4.1. Drilling Fluid

Mud Type	Density	Additives
Brine	1,160 kg/m <sup>3</sup>	Brine + calcium nitrate
		(density increase contingency) + oxygen
		scavenger + defoamer

- Material safety data sheets for all drilling fluid additives will be available on location during drilling
  operations.
- Solids control:
  - Shale shakers and centrifuge will be used to separate drill cuttings from drilling fluid.

## 4.2. Evaluation

Cutting Samples	Drill cuttings will be collected in 5m intervals from surface casing point to core point.			
Coring	Cored interval 837 – 895m = 58m.			
Mud log	Pason continuous gas reading will be monitore	ed while drilling		
Cased Hole Logging	Cement bond log with 7 mPa pressure pass identify cement top			
Open Hole Logging	Platform express with resistivity and 4-arm caliper	Identify formation fluids		
	Sonic scanner	Identify lithology and porosity		
	Formation micro imager	Identify naturally occurring fractures		

## 4.3. Casing

Inte	erval	Size (mm)	Weight	Tubular	Thread Type	Pipe ID (mm)	Pipe Drift	Coupling
From	То		(kg/m)	Grade			(mm)	OD (mm)
0	855	177.8	38.7	J-55	LT&C	159.4	156.2	194.5
855	895	177.8	38.7	28CR-110	TMK UP Ultra	159.4	156.2	177.8
					FJ			
				mance Propertie	s of 38.7 kg/m, J-5	,		
	. ,	Burst Pressure	0, 1			34,300		
		n Burst Pressure	0, ,			34,300		
		se Pressure Rati	0, 1			29,900		
		y Yield Strength				184,600		
	Je	oint Strength (d				163,200	)	
				operties of 38.7	.7 kg/m, 28CR-110, TMK UP ULTRA FJ			
	. ,	Burst Pressure	0, 1		68,672			
		n Burst Pressure			68,672			
		se Pressure Rati	0, 1			42,954		
		y Yield Strength			369,203			
	Je	oint Strength (da		M-1	-10071-1-1-1	233,087	/	
		Optimum (ft-lb		viake-up_forque	of 38.7 kg/m, J-55			
		Minimum (ft-lb			3,670			
		Maximum (ft-lb	,			4,590		
				Torque of 38.7 k	g/m, 28CR-110, TI			
		Optimum (ft-lb		Torque of 30.7 k	g/m, 20ek-110, h	11,500*	k	
		Minimum (ft-lb				10,400*		
		Maximum (ft-lb				12,700*		
		inaxinani (itrib		s using moly past	te for thread compo			

Load	AER Directive 10 Intermediate Casing Design	Internal Pressure	External Pressure	Tensile Load
Burst	Requirements         Design factor = 1.0 for sweet or sour wells with pp H2S < 0.3 kPa.	Maximum offsetting pressure gradient = 11.38 kPa/m therefore we will use that for calculating internal pressure. 38.7 kg/m, J55 casing = 1,024m x 11.38 kPa/m = 11,653 kPa 38.7 kg/m, 28CR casing = 1,024m x 11.38 kPa/m = 11,653 kPa	0 kPa/m gradient.	N/A
	design load must be equal to an internal pressure gradient of 11 kPa/m times the total depth (m TVD) of the well. The lesser of the pipe body burst strength or the connection burst strength must be used in the casing minimum burst strength. If the Simplified Method does not meet the			
	minimum design burst factors, the Alternative Design Method must be applied for burst design.			
Collapse	Design factor = 1.0. The casing collapse pressure rating (API Bulletin 5C2) must exceed the external pressure acting on the casing at any given point. No allowance is made for internal pressure, as total evacuation of the casing is assumed. Axial loading reduces casing collapse pressure rating. The method used to calculate the collapse pressure reduction is outlined in the latest edition of API Bulletin 5C3. The ERCB will continue to accept casing designs where Appendix E has been used to calculate the reduced collapse pressure.	0 kPa/m gradient.	Possible maximum fluid density while drilling intermediate hole = 1,300 kg/m <sup>3</sup> = 12.8 kPa/m. therefore gradient of 12.8 kPa/m will be used. 38.7 kg/m J55 casing = 855m x 12.8 kPa/m =	N/A
	The external pressure acting on the casing is calculated using an external fluid gradient of 12 kPa/m. If the actual drilling fluid gradient is higher than 12 kPa/m, that higher gradient must be used. An acceptable design may be based on a lesser external fluid gradient, but not less than 11 kPa/m, provided that the actual drilling fluid gradient at the time of		10,904 kPa 38.7 kg/m 28CR casing = 895m x 12.8 kPa/m = 11,414 kPa	

	running casing does not exceed the design gradient. If the Simplified Method does not meet the minimum design collapse factors, the Alternative Design Method must be applied for collapse design.			
Tension	Design factor = 1.6. No allowance is made for buoyancy. The casing minimum tensile strength must exceed 1.6 times the design tensile load acting on the casing at any given point. The lesser of the pipe body yield strength or the joint strength (connection parting strength) must be considered in the casing minimum tensile strength. If the Simplified Method does not meet the	N/A	N/A	Tensile force from weight of casing in air. 38.7 kg/m J55 casing = (855m x 38.7 kg/m x 0.981 kg-force) + (40m x 38.7 kg/m 28Cr x 0.981 kg-force) = 33,970 daN 38.7 kg/m casing = 40m x 38.7 kg/m x 0.981 kg-force = 1,519 daN
	minimum design tension factors, the Alternative Design Method must be applied for tension design.			

Calculated Design Safety Factors of 38.7 kg/m, J-55, LT&C						
Load	Required	Calculated				
Burst	1.00	2.94				
Collapse	1.00	2.32				
Tension	1.60	4.80				
Calculated De	Calculated Design Safety Factors of 38.7 kg/m, 28CR-110, TMK UP ULTRA FJ					
Load	Load Required Calculated					
Burst	1.00	5.89				
Collapse	1.00	3.76				
Tension	1.60	153.49				

Surface Casing String with Float Equipment and Casing Accessories				
Description	Description and Centralization			
177.8mm, 38.7 kg/m, 28CR-110, TMK UP ULTRA FJ	Composite rigid spiral centralizer between 2 stop collars on each joint			
177.8mm, 38.7 kg/m, J-55, TMK UP ULTRA FJ pin x LT&C box	Crossover joint			
Float Collar	Contains float			
177.8mm, 38.7 kg/m, J-55, LT&C	Bow spring centralizer to be placed over every casing collar to surface			
	for adequate stand-off.			

# 4.4. Cementing

Type Composition		Density	Volume
Pre-Flush	Pre-Flush Fresh Water + Viscosifier		4.0m <sup>3</sup>
Scavenger	Class G cement + Pozzolan + friction reducer + fluid loss additive + retarder + accelerator	1,300 kg/m³	7.0 m <sup>3</sup>
Lead Cement	Class G cement + Pozzolan + Latex + friction reducer + fluid loss additive + retarder + accelerator	1,600 kg/m³	+/- 75% XS from gauge
Tail Cement	Class G cement + Pozzolan + Latex + friction reducer + fluid loss additive + retarder + accelerator	1,700 kg/m³	+/- 75% XS from gauge

Wellbore preparation prior to cementing:

- Wellbore is to be static with all losses (if encountered) healed prior to cementing.
- To ensure effective drilling fluid removal, rheology of the drilling fluid will be reduced prior to the cement job if viscosifier was added.
- Once casing is on bottom, drilling fluid will be circulated at drilling annular velocity (>45m/minute) with pipe reciprocation to break gel strengths and clean the whole prior to cementing.
- A fluid caliper may be circulated to measure hole cleaning performance and validate cement volumes.
- Cement volumes will be adjusted based on loss circulation risk.

Cementing operation practices:

- Two samples of the cement blend and cement water will be collected and retained for verification testing if needed.
- Job data including densities of all fluids pumped, pump rates and surface pump pressures will be recorded during the cement job and displacement via cement pumper.
- Casing will be reciprocated while cementing.
- Top and bottom cement plugs will be used.
- Maximum over displacement from calculated volume will be limited to 50% of the shoe track volume to avoid a wet casing shoe.
- Upon the top cement plug landing on the float collar, displacement pressure will be further increased 3,500 kPa from the last circulation pressure and held for 5 minutes.

Intermediate casing drill out:

• Intermediate cement will be allowed to cure for 12 hours prior to drill out as per 44(2) of the Manitoba Drilling and Production Regulation.

#### 4.5. Pressure Testing

Intermediate casing pressure testing:

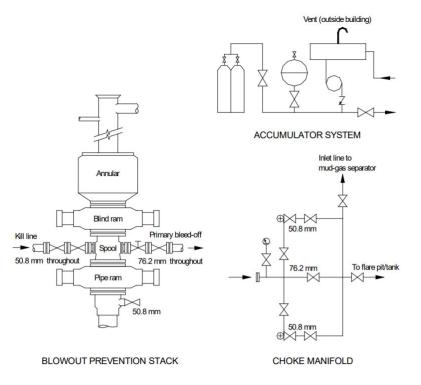
- Pressure will be brought down to 0 kPa after bumping the top cement plug and the casing float will be observed for bleed back.
- If there is no bleed back once pressure is released, surface casing will be pressure tested to 7,000 kPa for 10 minutes as per 44(2) of the Manitoba Drilling and Production Regulation

Summary of Pressure tests required as per 32(1) and 44(2) of the Manitoba Drilling and Production Regulation prior to drilling out intermediate casing							
Equipment	Equipment Low (kPa) Time (Minutes) High (kPa) Time (Minutes)						
Annular	1,400	10	7,000	10			
Rams	1,400	10	7,000	10			
Bleed-off Line and Valves	1,400	10	7,000	10			
Manifold Valves	1,400	10	7,000	10			
Kill Line and Valves	1,400	10	7,000	10			
Stabbing Valve	1,400	10	7,000	10			
Inside BOP	1,400	10	7,000	10			

Lower Kelly Cock	1,400	10	7,000	10
Intermediate Casing	N/A	N/A	7,000	10

# 4.6. Well Control and Blow Out Preventer Set-up

AER Class III BOP – Minimum pressure rating 14,000 kPa. Wells not exceeding a true vertical depth of 1,800m.



## 5. MAIN HOLE

- A tubing spool, double studded adapter and drilling BOP will be installed and well control equipment pressure tested as per section 4.5 prior to drilling out of the intermediate casing shoe.
- Main hole drilling operations:
  - 156mm drilling assembly will drill out the intermediate shoe track and ahead to core point #2 at 899mMD.
  - 3 x 45m coring runs will be conducted using a 156mm core head, 5.50" core barrel with aluminum sleeves to cut 3.50" diameter core from 899 – 1,034m = 135m.
  - A 156mm drilling assembly will be used to RIH, ream the cored rathole and drill to the FTD of 1,048mMD. Directional surveys will be taken in cored interval.
  - 4 open hole logging runs will be conducted after coring.
    - Run 1: Platform express with resistivity and 4-arm caliper

- Run 2: Sonic scanner / Formation micro imager
- Run 3: Magnetic resonance
- Run 4: Modular dynamic tester (MDT)
- The drilling rig will perform a clean out trip prior to circulating the well over to clean brine with corrosion inhibitor, oxygen scavenger and biocide.
- A wireline unit will be brought in to locate and set a permanent CRA injection packer. A tubing plug will be placed into a seating nipple at surface prior to running the packer into the hole.
- A 7mPa pressure pass CBL will be performed over the intermediate casing prior to running the 88.9mm injection tubing.
- The drilling rig will be used to install the 88.9mm, 13.67 kg/m, L-80 VAM TOP permanent injection tubing. The injection tubing has been lined with a glass reinforced epoxy (GRE) liner to resist corrosion.
- Prior to latching into the permanent packer with the permanent injection string, the wellbore, from the injection packer to surface will be circulated over to fresh water with corrosion inhibitor, oxygen scavenger and biocide.
- $\circ$  A BPV will be installed into the BPV threads within the CRA extended neck tubing hanger.
- The permanent 5,000# (34.5mPa) tubing bonnet, master valves, flow cross and swing valve will then be installed.
- The well will be pressure tested as per section 5.4 once injection tubing is installed into wellbore.
- $\circ~$  The well will then be handed over to the completions team to perform the step rate injection test.

# 5.1. Drilling Fluid

Mud Type	Density	Additives
Brine	1,100 kg/m <sup>3</sup>	Brine + calcium nitrate
		(density increase contingency) + oxygen
		scavenger + defoamer

- Material safety data sheets for all drilling fluid additives will be available on location during drilling
  operations.
- Solids control:
  - o Shale shakers and centrifuge will be used to separate drill cuttings from drilling fluid.

## 5.2. Evaluation

Cutting Samples	No cuttings samples		
Coring	Coring Cored interval 899 – 1,034m = 135m.		
Mud log	Pason continuous gas reading will be monitored while drilling		
Open Hole Logging	Platform express with resistivity and 4-arm caliper	Identify formation fluids	
	Sonic scanner	Identify lithology and porosity	
	Formation micro imager	Identify naturally occurring fractures	
	Modular dynamic tester	Formation fluid and formation pressure	

# 5.3. Cementing

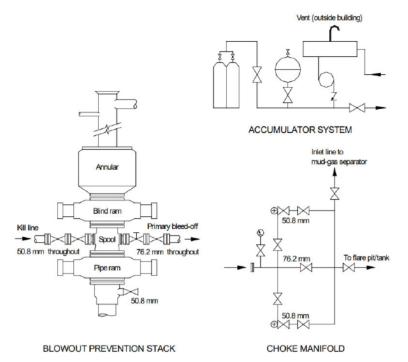
No cementing operations for this hole section.

## 5.4. Pressure Testing

Equipment	Low (kPa)	Time (Minutes)	High (kPa)	Time (Minutes)
Injection Tubing Annulus	1,400	10	10,000	10
Tubing plug in Tailpipe	1,400	10	10,000	10
Tubing Head RX Ring Gasket to Tubing Hanger	1,400	10	21,000	10
Tubing Hanger Seals	1,400	10	34,500	10

# 5.5. Well Control and Blow Out Preventer Set-up

AER Class III BOP – Minimum pressure rating 14,000 kPa. Wells not exceeding a true vertical depth of 1,800m.



## 6. INJECTION TUBING

• 88.9mm, 13.67 kg/m, L-80, VAM TOP with Glass Reinforced Epoxy (GRE) liner.

## 7. PACKER ASSEMBLY

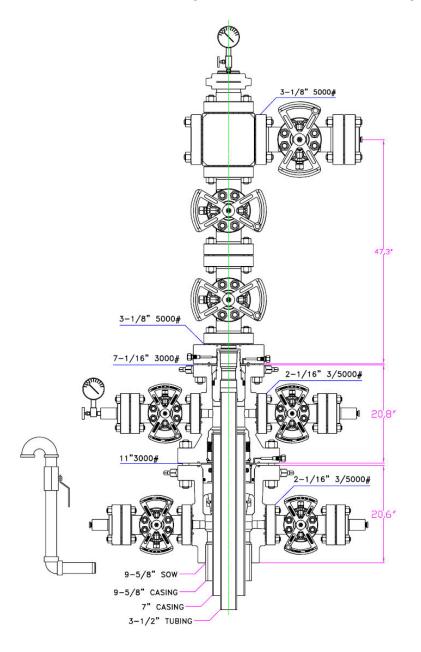
 E-22 anchor tubing-seal assembly (Inconel and V-RYTE seals) – Size 80-40 - 88.9mm, VAM TOP Box Up

- Signature "FB" permanent packer, wireline set (Inconel, flow wet) Size 587-400, HNBR Elastomer
- Pup joint (G3 CRA material) 88.9mm x 3.00m, 13.84 kg/m, VAM TOP
- Genuine Otis "X" seating nipple (Inconel) 88.9mm x 58.75mm Profile, VAM TOP
- Pup joint (G3 CRA material) 88.9mm x 3.00m, 13.84 kg/m, VAM TOP
- Genuine Otis "XN" seating nipple (Inconel) 88.9mm x 58.75mm x 56.01mm NO-GO Profile, VAM TOP x 88.9mm EUE Down
- Perforated Pup joint (coated with Impreglon 505) 88.9mm x 3.00m, 13.84 kg/m, EUE
- Wireline re-entry guide (coated with Impreglon 505) 88.9mm, 13.84 kg/m, EUE

## 8. WELLHEAD

Wellhead features:

- Prep in casing bowl for wear bushing
- Casing bowl and tubing head rated for 3,000 PSI (21,000 kPa)
- 88.9mm injection tubing
- Tubing bonnet, dual master valve, flow cross, wing valve rated for 5,000 PSI (34,500 kPa)
- Tubing hanger, tubing bonnet, lower master valve with Inconel wetted surfaces
- Upper master valve, flow cross and wing valve with electroless nickel coating



# 9. CORROSION CONTROL AND WELL INTEGRITY

- The wetted parts of the wellhead, tubing hanger, tubing head bonnet and lower master valve will be constructed of Inconel material.
- The upper master valve, flow cross and wing valve will be electroless nickel coated.
- 28CR-110 corrosion resistant alloy 177.8mm intermediate casing has been selected to be placed at the bottom of the intermediate casing string within the Red River formation to mitigate the corrosive affects carbonic acid has on carbon steel. This is to provide an adequate host section for the permanent injection packer.
- The intermediate cement design is based upon the principle of decreasing permeability and lowering the amount of reactive material in cement that will be exposed to carbonic acid.
- A 7mPa pressure pass cement bond log will be performed on the intermediate casing. This is to prove adequate zonal isolation for injection of CO<sub>2</sub> into the Red River formation.
- The tubing annulus will be filled with fresh water mixed with corrosion inhibitor, oxygen scavenger and biocide.
  - Corrosion inhibitor and oxygen scavenger is added to prevent risk of galvanic corrosion between different metals in electrical contact.
  - Biocide is added to mitigate risk of microbial influenced corrosion in the annulus.
- The seal assembly, injection packer and tailpipe will be made from Inconel material to be able to withstand the corrosive environment for the life of the well.
- An Inconel flapper valve will be installed into the Genuine Otis "XN" seating nipple providing a float for the injection tubing string to prevent fluids from flowing up the tubing string. This will be installed prior to the start of CO<sub>2</sub> injection.