

Senex continues Cooper Basin western flank drilling program with the spudding of Growler-11

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Senex Energy Limited (Senex), as operator for the PRL 15 joint venture, advises that the Growler-11 appraisal well commenced drilling on 22 December 2011.

At 6.00 am this morning, the rig was at 314 metres and drilling ahead to surface casing depth of 650 metres.

Growler-11 is the fourth well in the joint venture's 11 well drilling program in PRL 15 and PEL 104, comprising five appraisal wells and six exploration wells targeting the highly prospective Birkhead channel play on the western flank of the South Australian Cooper Basin.

The well is located 430 metres to the west of the Growler-6 appraisal well, which flowed at a rate of over 1,300 barrels of oil per day during initial flow testing.

Growler-11 will appraise the oil bearing potential of the Jurassic Birkhead Formation, which produces oil in Growler-1 to -6 inclusive. The well is expected to reach a total depth of 1,830 metres.

Senex holds a 60% interest in PRL 15 and is operator of the joint venture, with the remaining 40% interest held by Beach Energy Limited.

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Figure 1: Growler-11 well location

