

Exploration Highlights & News

(Apr. 23, 2025) - At a meeting held in Wichita, Kansas on April 23, 2024, the Kansas Geological Society's Nomenclature Committee, in association with the Kansas Corporation Commission (KCC) and the Kansas Geological Survey, has recognized and named one new oil field in Kansas for completed wells reported in February and March.

NEW FIELD DISCOVERY

County	Field Name	Operator	Lease	S-T-R / Qtr	Type	Pay Zn	API
Gove	Juggernaut	ARP Operating	1 Juggernaut	16-15s-30W	Oil	MCher	15-063-22460

(Apr. 17, 2025) - The **Wichita Desk and Derrick Club of Wichita** will hold their **Annual Sporting Clay Shoot** fund-raiser event to provide money for education and community events. The event will be held on Friday, May 16th, at Michael Murphy & Sons Sporting Clays, 6400 SW Hunter Road, Augusta, KS. Cost is \$100 to participate, which includes 100 sporting clay targets. Bring your own eye protection, gun, and shells. No pistol or rifle shooting permitted—no alcoholic beverages before or during the shoot. One free raffle ticket will make you eligible for a \$500 Gift Certificate to the Gun Shop. A catered BBQ Lunch will be provided. To register, contact Kelly Rains, Cell 316-651-7982, email: kellyrains@att.net. RSVP by May 9th.

(Apr. 17, 2025) - The **Wichita Association of Professional Landmen** will host the **2025 J. Fred Hambricht Memorial**, and **61st Annual Golf Tournament and Bingo Lunch**, at the Rolling Hills Country Club on Monday, June 2nd, in Wichita, KS. The event will begin with coffee and donuts at 7:30 a.m., followed by a Shotgun Start at 8:30 a.m. Format is a Team Scramble (6-person team). A lunch buffet will be served at 11:00 a.m. Bingo will start at 11:30 a.m. Awards, prizes, and refreshments will be presented. The cost is \$100 for lunch per player, or \$50 for bingo and lunch per player. The reservation deadline is Tuesday, May 27, 2025. Limited to the first 180 to register. For additional details, contact Nick Hess at 316-680-6755 or Adam Petz at 316-648-2685.

(Apr. 3, 2025) - **Shakespeare Oil Company**, of Salem (IL), has successfully extended production 1/2 mile south of the Middle Walnut pool boundary with the completion of the #1-32 Marlene in Lane County. The step out well was drilled in ~ NE SW SE in section 32- T17s- R29W, about 3 miles north and 3 miles east of the town of Amy, Kansas. The well is producing an undisclosed amount of crude oil from the Marmaton (Lenapah and Myrick Station Limestones) and Cherokee (Johnson Zone Limestone) formations. All zones are new pay sources for the field, which was established by O'Brien Resources in 2007 with Lansing-Kansas City production. Completion details are confidential. Southwind Drilling's Rig #8 drilled the well to a total depth of 4,580 ft. (Ref: API 15-101-22698)

(Mar. 27, 2025) - **Murfin Drilling Company**, of Wichita (KS), has discovered Morrow oil reserves in the Lundgren pool at the #1-36 Slim Unit, ~ SE NE NW in section 36- T14s- R30W. The infield development well is also producing oil from the Marmaton (Fort Scott Limestone) and Cherokee (Celia Limestone) formations. Total depth is 4,400 ft. Completion details remain confidential. In addition to the productive zones mentioned above, the Lundgren pool has also produced oil from the Lansing-Kansas City zones since its establishment in 1952. Field area is located 11 miles south and 5-1/2 miles west of Gove, Kansas. (Ref: API 15-063-22458)

(Mar. 27, 2025) - Independent producer **Charles N. Griffin**, of Pratt (KS), has found a new oil bearing formation in the Turkey Creek East oil and gas field in Barber County. The #1-22 Jordan, ~ NW NW SW in section 22- T30s- R15E, is producing an undisclosed amount of crude oil from the Marmaton (Fort Scott Limestone) formation. Total depth of the well is 4,900 ft. The Turkey Creek East pool has produced Cherokee oil, Mississippian, oil and Viola oil and gas since it was established in 1957. Field area lies about 2-1/2 miles north and 2-1/4 miles west of Sun City, Kansas. (Ref: API 15-007-24505)

(Mar. 6, 2025) - **ARP Operating LLC**, of Denver (CO), has a new Cherokee (Johnson Zone) oil discovery in Gove County at a remote wildcat site. The discovery well, #1 Juggernaut, spotted in ~ SE NW SW in section 16- T15s- R30W, was placed on pump on March 2nd for an undisclosed daily potential. Completion details remain confidential. The new field has been named "Juggernaut".

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Duke drilling Rig #4 was used to drill the well to a total depth of 4,330 ft. Drill site is located three miles from another Cherokee and Lansing-Kansas City producer that established the Sharp Northwest pool in the SW/4 of section 30- T15s- R30W in 2014. Field area lies about 10 miles north and 3 miles west of Healy, Kansas. (Ref: API 15-063-22460)

(Feb. 13, 2025) - The Kansas Geological Society's Nomenclature Committee, in association with the Kansas Corporation Commission (KCC) and the Kansas Geological Survey, has recognized and named three six new oil fields in Kansas at a meeting held in Wichita, Kansas on February 12, 2024.

NEW FIELD DISCOVERIES

County	Field Name	Operator	Lease	S-T-R / Otr	Type	Pay Zn	API
Cheyenne	Wright	Darrah Oil Company LLC	1-5 Wright Farms	5-5s-37W, SW/4	Oil	Marm	15-023-21659
Cheyenne	Berens	Darrah Oil Company LLC	1-7 Berens	7-5s-37W, SE/4	Oil	Marm	15-023-21655
Graham	Teel	Cobalt Energy LLC	1-7 Teel Trust	7-6s-25W, SE/4	Oil	LKC	15-065-24321
Logan	Cook West	BEREXCO LLC	1 Scheetz Unit	15-11s-33W, NE/4	Oil	Cher	15-109-21678
Rawlins	Cinnamon North	Meridian Energy	1A Wilkinson	33-1s-36W, NW/4	Oil	LKC	15-153-21339
Rooks	Edgar North	Jaspar Company	2 Cole	1-6s-20W, NW/4	Oil	LKC	15-163-24508

(Feb. 6, 2025) - **Darrah Oil Company LLC**, Wichita (KS), has two new oil discoveries in Cheyenne County. Both new pools are located about seven to eight miles southeast of town of Bird City in Northwest Kansas. This is the second and third new oil reservoirs that Darrah Oil has discovered in Cheyenne County since exploration in the area began in 2023.

In section 7- T5s- R37W, the #1-7 Berens was drilled to a total depth of 5,050 ft at site in ~ SW SE SE. The well is producing oil from the Pawnee Limestone formation in the Marmaton Group. Exact details on daily output and pay depth is confidential. The new "Berens" pool discovery lies one mile west of Darrah's first discovery in the county in the Deeds Northwest pool in section 8- T5s- R37W. The pool has produced nearly 44,000 BO over the past 20 months with production coming from two wells on the Keltz lease. (Ref: API 15-023-21655)

In section 5- T5s- R37W, the Darrah's #1-5 Wright Farms Trust in producing crude from the Pawnee Limestone member of the Marmaton Group, about 1-1/4 miles northwest of the Deed Northwest pool. The well was drilled to a total depth around 5,050 ft by Murfin Drilling tools. Primary zones of interest were the Lansing-Kansas City and Marmaton Groups. Completion details are confidential. The new field has been named the "Wright" pool. (Ref: API 15-023-21659)

(Jan. 23, 2025) - **Meridian Energy, Inc.**, of Franktown (CO), has discovered Lansing-Kansas City oil reserves in Rawlins County at their #1A Wilkinson wildcat well in ~ NE NE NW in section 33-1s-R36W. The well opens the "Cinnamon North" oil field nearly one mile northwest of LKC oil production in the Cinnamon pool, which was established in 2015 by Murfin Drilling Company. Murfin's #1-33 Cheryl, SE/4 of section 33, produced 45 BOPD from the Lansing J Zone at a depth of 4416 to 4420 ft. No completion details have been released by Meridian Energy on their new discovery. The #1A Wilkinson was drilled to a total depth of 4,507 ft by Duke Drilling tools. Field area lies 10 miles north of McDaniels, Kansas. (Ref: API 15-153-21339)

(Dec. 19, 2024) - The Kansas Geological Society's Nomenclature Committee, in association with the Kansas Corporation Commission (KCC) and the Kansas Geological Survey, has recognized and named six new oil fields in Kansas at a meeting held in Wichita, Kansas on December 18, 2024.

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County	Field Name	Operator	Lease	S-T-R / Otr	Type	Pay Zn	API
Decatur	Gopher SE	Murfin Drilling Co.	1-34 Peter (comp 2022)	34-5s-29W, SW/4	Oil	LKC	15-039-21285
Gove	Cleveland Creek South	Shakespeare Oil Co.	1-36 Brungardt	36-11s-31W, NW/4	Oil	Mrw	15-063-22452

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Gove	Ziegenbalg West	M G Oil	2-19 Coberly	19-15s-28W, SE/4	Oil	LKC	15-063-22453
Gray	Sand Prairie	Raymond Oil Co.	12-1 Marilee Yost	12-27s-30W, SE/4	Oil	Atoka	15-069-20519
Rawlins	K-S NW	Downing - Nelson Oil Co.	1-8 Scott	8-5s-36W, SE/4	Oil	Cher	15-153-21334
Thomas	Wark NE	American Warrior	1-22 Johnston	22-6s-31W, NW/4	Oil	LKC	15-193-21133

(Dec. 5, 2024) - **Raymond Oil Company**, Wichita (KS), has discovered new oil reserves within the Atoka formation at the #12-1 Marilee Yost, spotted in ~ SE SW SE SE in section 12- T27s- R30W, in Gray county. The wildcat well was drilled to a total depth in Mississippian at 5,315 ft with L. D. Drilling and Exploration drilling tools. The well opens a new “Sand Prairie” oil field about 2-1/2 miles north of the “Ginest” pool (2012, Mississippian oil), and 7 miles north and 6 miles west of the town of Montezuma, Kansas. Completion details remain confidential at this time. (Ref: API 15-069-20519)

(Nov. 14, 2024) - **Downing - Nelson Oil Company, Inc.**, Hays (KS), has stepped nearly 3/4 mile northwest of producing wells in the “K-S” oil field to establish the new “K-S NW” pool in Rawlins County. The #1-8 Scott, SE/4 of section 8- T5s- R36W, is producing an undisclosed amount of crude oil from the Cherokee formation. The well is drilled to a total depth of 4,911 ft, about 11 miles south of McDonald, Kansas. Completion details are confidential. Downing - Nelson has produced almost 25,000 BO from three wells in the “K-S” field which they discovered in 2021 in section 16- T05s- R36W. Production comes from the Cherokee Limestone (2021) and the Marmaton Altamont ‘B’ (2023) formations. (Ref: API 15-153-21334)

(Nov. 14, 2024) - **M G Oil, Inc.**, Russell (KS), is producing oil from the Lansing-Kansas City ‘E’ formation at the #2-19 Coberly in Gove County. Spotted in the SE/4 of section 19- T15s- R28W, the well opens a new “Ziegenbalg West” pool ~ eight miles north and one mile west of Shields, KS. Duke Drilling tools bottomed the well around 4,300 ft. Completion details are confidential. The field area is situated nearly one mile northwest of established production in the “Ziegenbalg Southwest” pool which has produced oil from the LKC since July 2021. (Ref: API 15-063-22453)

(Nov. 7, 2024) - **Shakespeare Oil Company**, Salem (IL), has discovered new oil reserves nearly a mile south of abandoned Shawnee (Toronto) oil production with Lansing-Kansas City oil shows in the “Cleveland Creek” oil field in Gove County. The #1-36 Brungardt produces undisclosed crude oil from the Morrow Sands at site in the NW/4 of section 36- T11s- R31W. Rotary total depth was reached at 4,582 ft. Completion details remain confidential. The new “Cleveland Creek South” field lies about 5 miles south and 4 miles west of Grinnell, Kansas. (Ref: API 15-063-22452)

(Nov. 7, 2024) - **BEREXCO LLC**, Wichita (KS), has established the “York Northwest” oil field in Gove County. New reserves were discovered at the #1-13 Herman, NW/4 of section 13- T15s- R30W, about ten miles north and one mile east of Healy, Kansas. The well was completed in October for 50 BOPD, no water. Pay comes from Lansing-Kansas City Swope formation from a perforated depth from 3,860 to 3,865 ft. The rotary total depth was 4,310 ft. (Ref: API 15-063-22446)

(Oct. 17, 2024) - **Dylan Gross** has acquired Webber-Gross Welding, LLC and has changed the company name to **Wabash Welding Company, LLC**. “This transition is aimed at aligning our operations more closely with our vision of providing superior welding services and solutions,” said Gross. “The change in name and ownership will not impact the quality of work. Our team of skilled welders and professionals remain committed to delivering the high standard of service you have come to expect from us,” he said.

Wabash Welding Company, LLC is headquartered at 13937 US Highway 283 in Ness City, Kansas 67560-6167. For more information or to discuss upcoming projects, call Dylan directly at 785-731-5439, or contact the office at 785-798-2184.