

# Remote wildcat planned by Sklar Exploration in Clarke County, Ala.

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A remote southwestern Alabama wildcat has been permitted by Shreveport independent Sklar Exploration in northern Clarke County.

Plans call for the 1 Harrigan et al "7-16" (API 01-025-20272) to be directionally drilled to total depth of 10,417 ft, with an objective in the Smackover. Proposed true vertical depth is 10,277 ft. The planned surface location is in the sw ne se of section 7-10n-3e, less than three miles southwest of the town of Thomasville.

A mile to the southeast are a pair of abandoned tests in section 17. The 1 Scotch Lbr Co was drilled in 1934 by Magnolia Petroleum. Total depth was 6010 ft in the Lower Cretaceous. Thirty years later, the offsetting 2 W.D. Harrigan was abandoned at 3320 ft in the Eutaw by American Petrofina.

Almost three miles northwest of the new location, Sklar drilled a dry hole in 2013. The 1 Dwight Harrigan et al "2-6" reached a total depth of 10,972 ft in section 2-10n-2e. Cores were reported at 10,060-10,150 ft in the Smackover.

The one-well Pace Creek field is 16 miles west of Sklar's proposed wildcat. Opened in 1986, Bassett Energy completed its 1 Mrs. E.V. Pelham discovery logged the tops of the Smackover at 11,190 ft and Norphlet at 11,333 ft. Later operated by Kelley Industries, recovery from the Smackover pool totaled 201,881 bbls of crude, 13.4 million cu ft of casinghead gas and 491,445 bbls of water.

A few miles farther to the west is current Smackover oil production in Womack Hill field.

