

# Pruet completes another Smackover oil well in southern Alabama

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Pruet Production has completed a Smackover oil well in Alabama’s Escambia County, southwest of the rapidly expanding Brooklyn and Little Cedar Creek fields.

In northern Escambia County, Pruet’s 1 Cedar Creek Land & Timber “1-1” (API 01-053-20669) was tested flowing 232 bbls of crude and 404,000 cu ft of gas per day through perforations at 12,196-12,210 ft. The directional well was drilled from a surface location in the ne of section 1-3n-11e, bottoming immediately to the east. Total depth is 12,540 ft.

Numerous Smackover wells in the Conecuh County portion of Brooklyn field are about two miles to the northeast. The reservoir, which was opened in 2007, has recovered 9.1 million bbls of crude and 8.5 billion cu ft of gas through mid-2014. Field production in recent months has come from as many as 64 active wells. Pruet Production operates the bulk of the wells in the field, which produce through perforations at 11,300-12,300 ft.

Northeast of Brooklyn field is Little Cedar Creek field, which also produces through Smackover perforations at around 11,000-12,500 ft.

In addition to Pruet Production, Sklar Exploration has an active Smackover drilling program in Escambia County. The company’s 1 Cedar Creek Land & Timber “14-9” (API 01-053-20668) in section 14-3n-11e was drilled in May to a total depth of 12,950 ft with 5 1/2-inch casing set on bottom.

To the west, the 1 Cedar Creek Land & Timber “24-1” (API 01-053-20680) in section 24-3n-10e was recently drilled to a total depth of 13,380 ft. The nearby 1 Cedar Creek Land & Timber “18-4” (API 01-053-20681) was spud on September 1. It is being drilled to a proposed total depth of 13,200 ft in section 18-3n-11e.

Fairways Exploration & Production’s 1 Cedar Creek “17-14” is the southernmost Smackover oil well in the area. The westernmost Smackover well – Pruet’s 35-8 McMillan – was completed in 2009.

