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Sklar drills apparent Hosston gas well in Natchitoches Parish

Sklar Exploration is waiting on completion tools at an apparent Hosston gas producer in North Louisianas Ashland field.

In far northwestern Natchitoches Parish, the 2 Rushing (API 17-069-20444) reached a total depth of 8200 ft with five-inch casing set on bottom. Sklars venture was drilled in the ne nw se of section 1-13n-8w within the Ashland city limits.

Sklars offsetting 1 Rushing was abandoned in late 2015 at a total depth of 6559 ft in the Wilcox.

Ashland field was opened in the mid-1940s, with production through 2015 totaling 799,494 bbls of crude/condensate and 8.0 billion cu ft of gas. The bulk of the field production came from pays in the Nacatoch at 1400-1500 ft, with a few wells yielding gas from the Tuscaloosa at 3100-3300 ft. Some of the most recent completions in the field have been horizontal Haynesville Shale wells drilled a few years ago by Chesapeake Energy but are now operated by SND Operating LLC. Until the Haynesville Shale completions in 2011, field production was predominantly oil with output averaging just 15 bbls per day.

About 15 miles northeast of its expected Hosston gas producer is a Hosston test in Bienville Parish recently abandoned by Sklar. The 1 Pavillion Land 4 in section 4-14n-6w reached a total depth of 10,100 ft.

