

Alberta No. 1 Geothermal Project

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WHAT IS THE PROJECT?

- Proponent is the M.D. of Greenview No. 16
- M.D. of Greenview, County of Grande Prairie, City of Grande Prairie are the developers of the TMIP.
- Project is to be located on land located within the Tri-Municipal Industrial Partnership (TMIP), a multi-billion dollar heavy industrial park (HIP) project
 - HIP is projected to develop a thermal and electrical load of multiple hundreds of MW

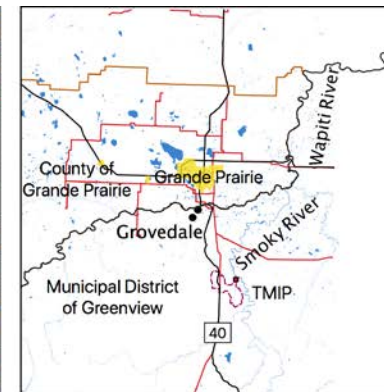
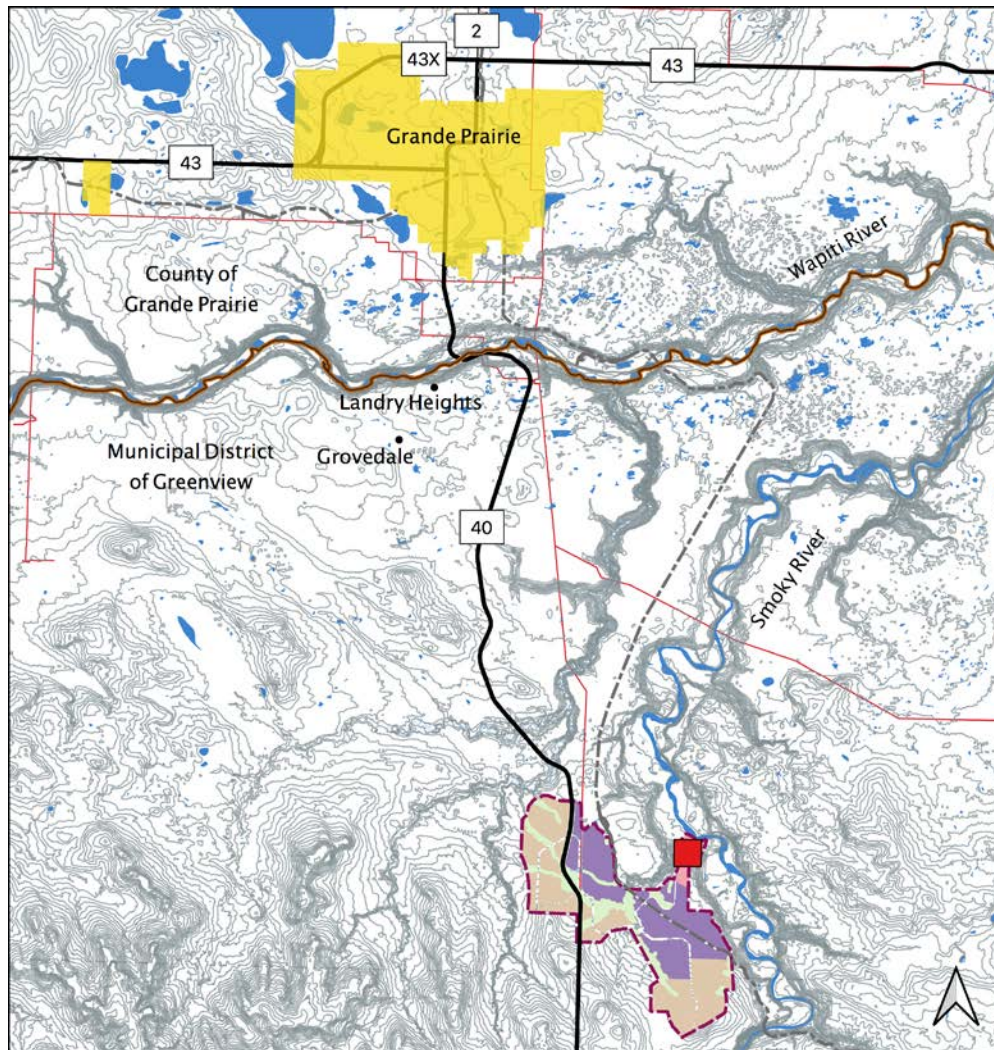


WHAT IS THE PROJECT?

- 8MWe gross (5MWe net) electrical plant using deep geothermal fluid (brines)
- Associated direct-use infrastructure for heat use
- Estimated 5 large bore wells
 - Well-bores wider in diameter and deeper than typical oil and gas wells
 - 3 production wells – 2 injection wells
- Target resource temperature is $\sim 120^{\circ}\text{C}$ with plans for both power generation and direct heat use.



PROJECT LOCATION



Tri-Municipal Industrial Partnership Basemap

Legend

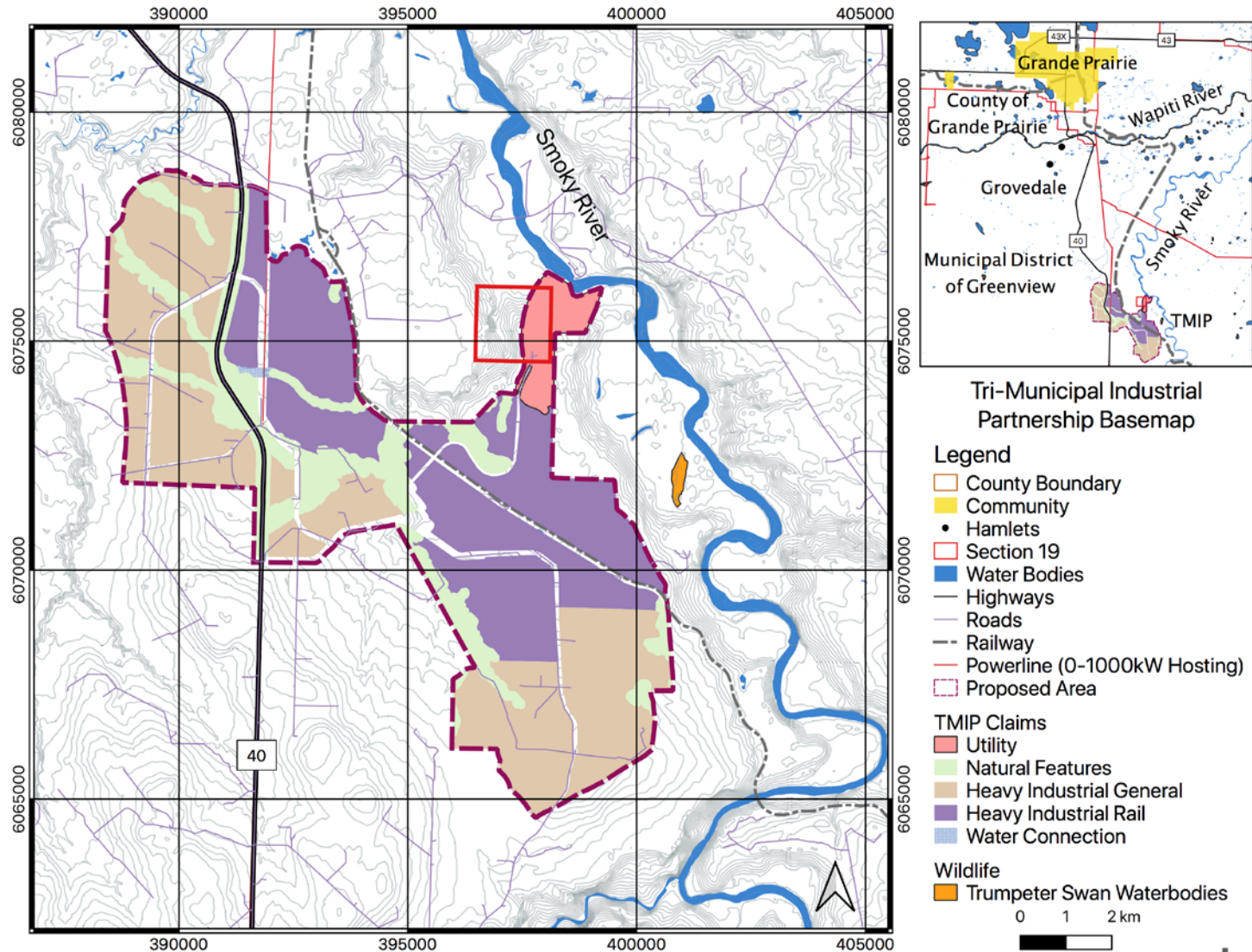
- County Boundary
- Municipal District Boundary
- Community
- Hamlets
- Section 19
- Water Bodies
- Highways
- Railway
- Powerline (0-1000kW Hosting)

TMIP Claims

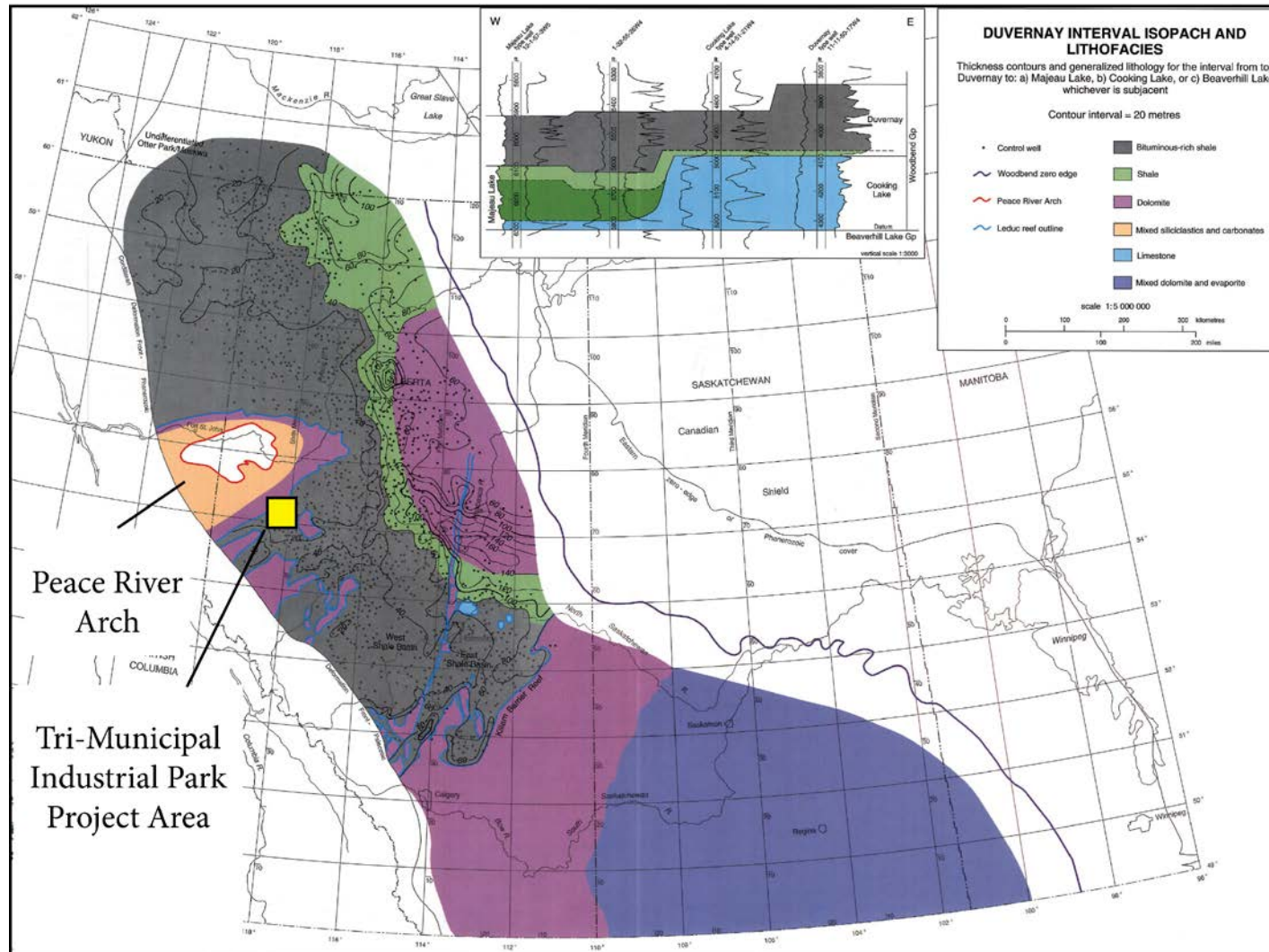
- Proposed Area
- Utility
- Natural Features
- Heavy Industrial General



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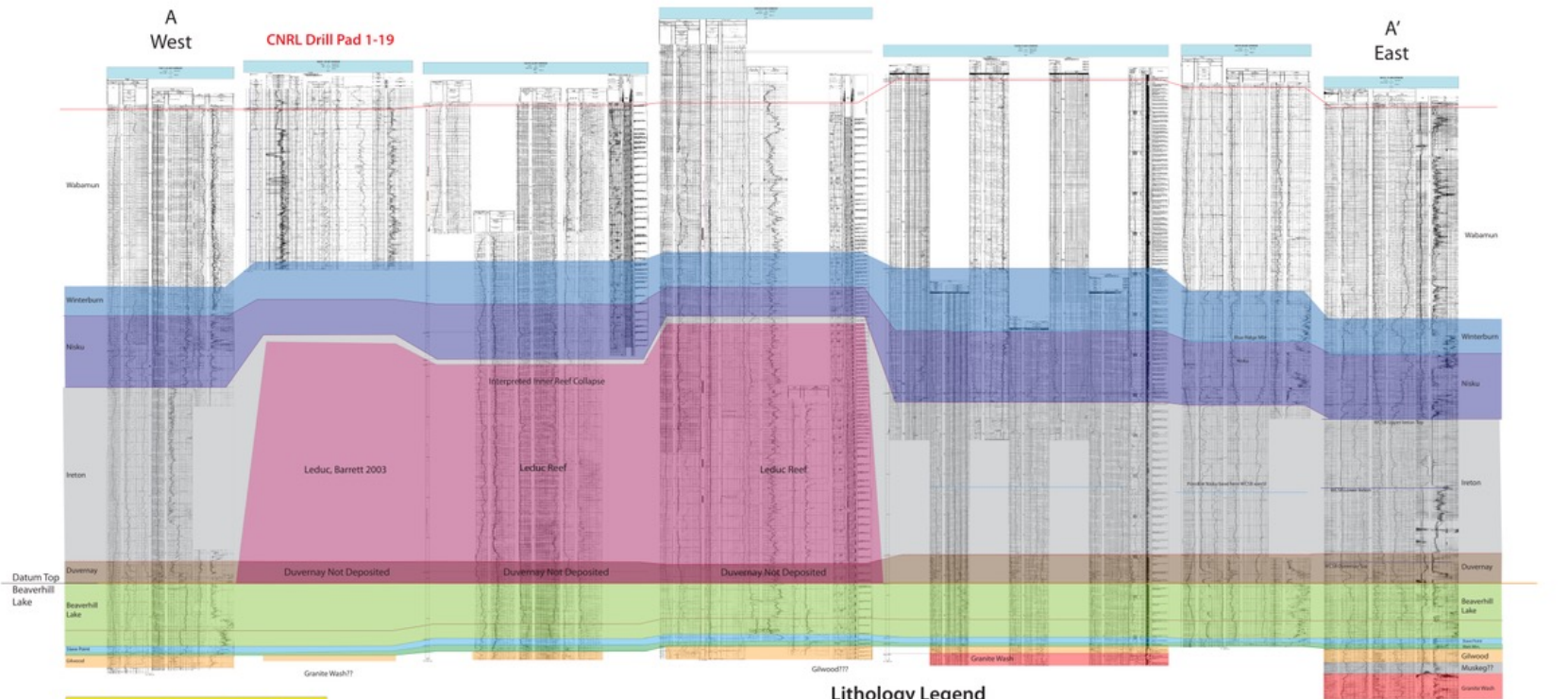


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Western Canada Sedimentary Basin – Sedimentary rocks overlying “shield rocks”

STRATIGRAPHY



Lithology Legend
(Entire succession shown-Devonian age)

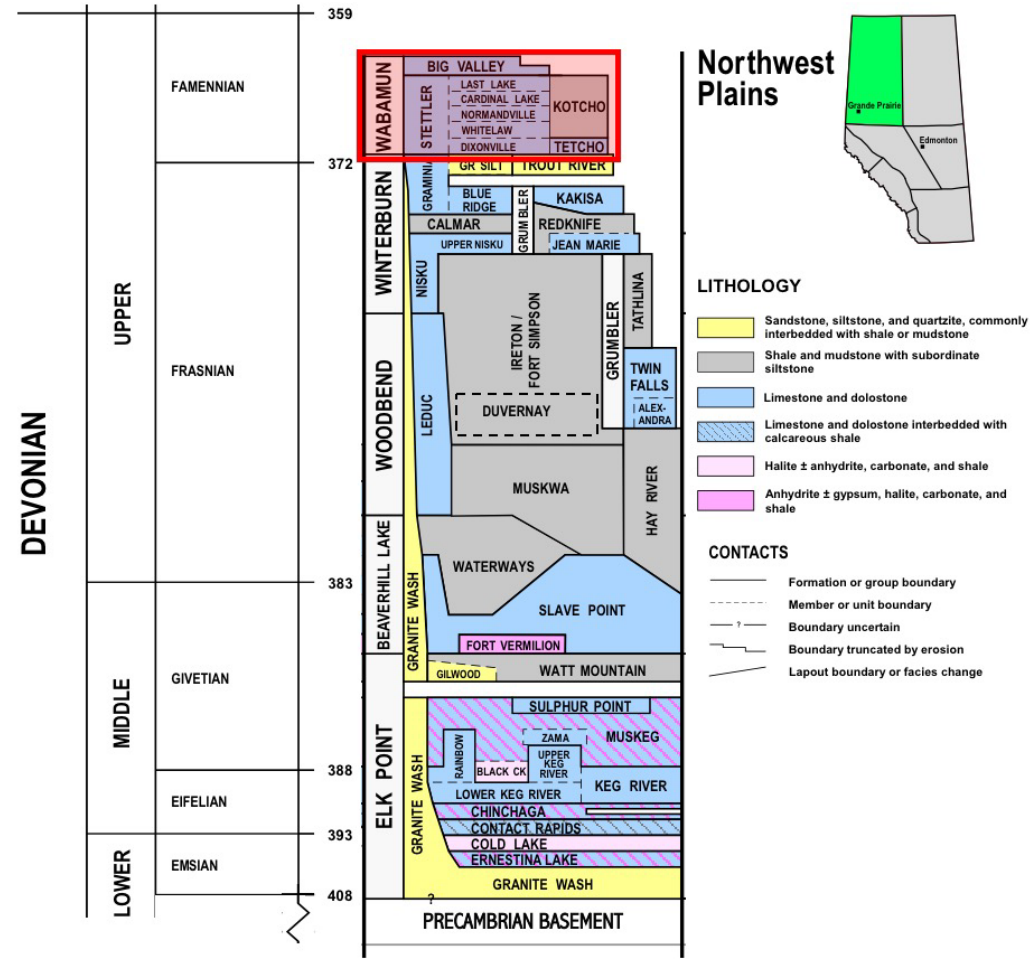


Terrapin Geothermics
Stratigraphic Cross Section A-A'
Wabamun Fm. to Precambrian Basement
MD of Greenview
Datum: Top Beaverhill Lake
No Horizontal Scale

White	Wabamun Limestone/Dolostone	Brown	Duvernay Organic-rich Lime Mudstone	Grey	Muskeg Evaporites
Blue	Winterburn Limestone/Dolostone	Green	Beaverhill Lake Dolostone/Limestone	Red	Granite Wash Arkosic Sandstone
Purple	Nisku Limestone/Dolostone	Light Blue	Slave Point Limestone/Dolostone		
Grey	Ireton Argillaceous Lime Mudstone	Dark Green	Watt Mountain Silty, Argillaceous Lime Mudstone		
Pink	Leduc Dolostone/Limestone	Orange	Gilwood Arkosic Sandstone		

TARGET FORMATIONS

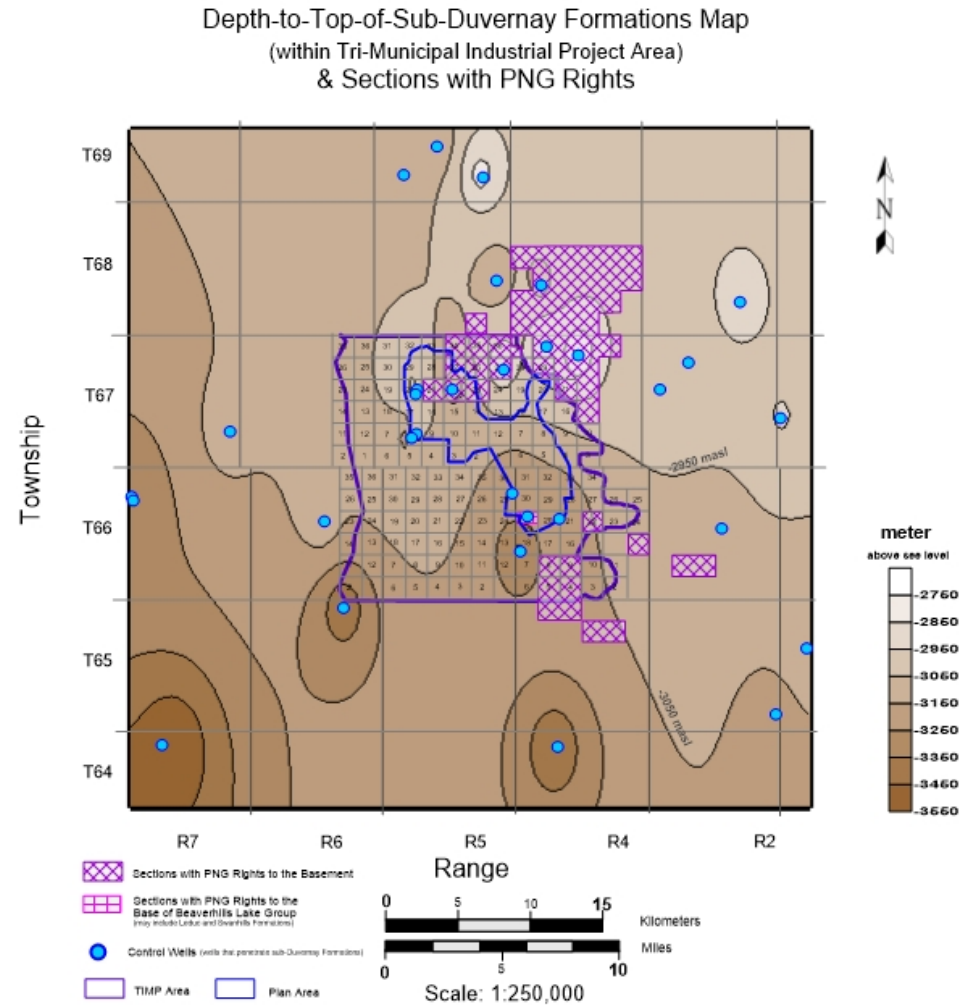
- Crown Agreement: exploration rights from base of Wabamun Group into Precambrian basement
- Productive formations: high temperature and high permeability/water flow
 - Reservoir size related to stratum thickness
- Project targets are Devonian strata and Precambrian basement
 - Beaverhill Lake Group, Watt Mountain F., Gilwood Member, Muskeg F., Granite Wash F.
- These deep strata (up to 4500m depth) show potential for high volume fluid flows at 120°C+



Adapted from Alberta Geological Survey, 2015

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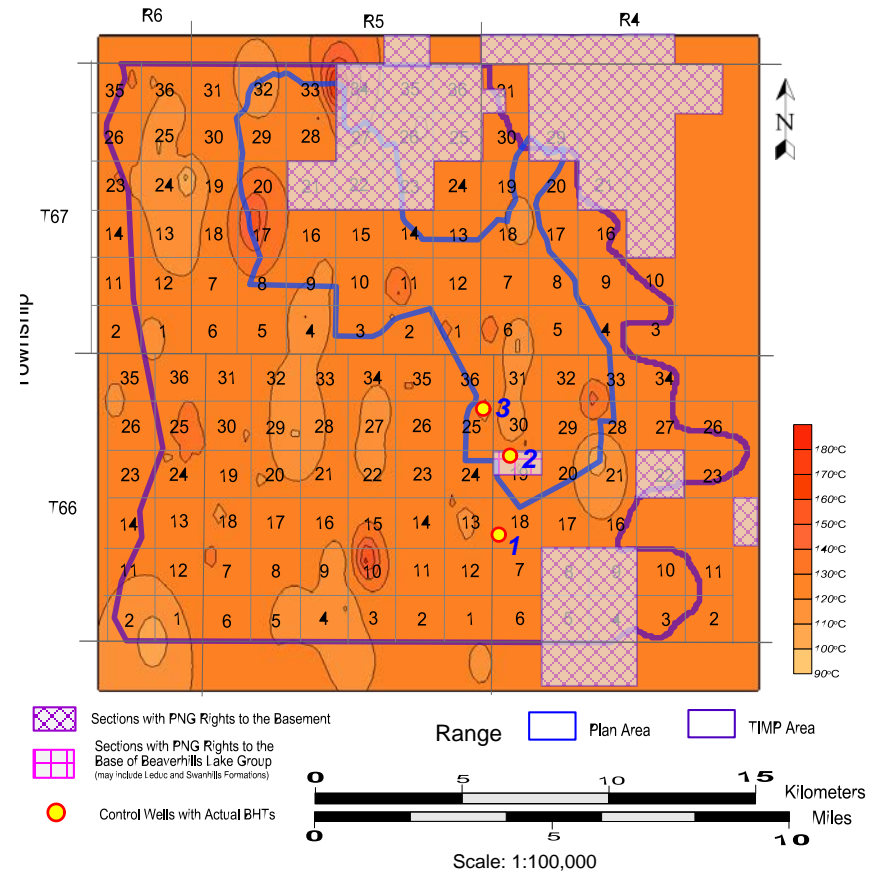
- Duvernay is ~3850 m depth and averages 29 m (22 – 33 m) in thickness in target area
- Duvernay is a tight siltstone formation, requiring fracturing to liberate the hydrocarbons
 - Hydrocarbon extraction in the region is focused on the Duvernay, Montney and related Late Devonian and Triassic aged formations
- The Duvernay may also act as a thermal cap
 - Possible that temperatures are higher below the Duvernay than expected



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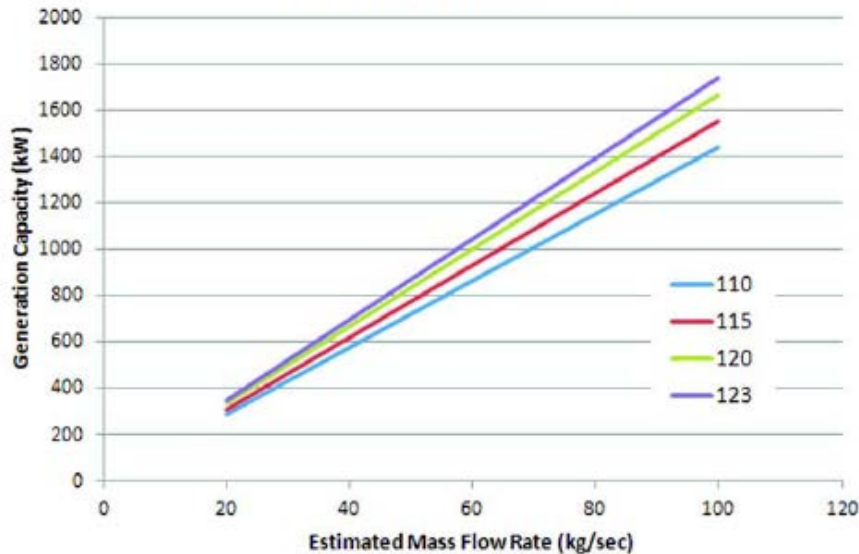
- Only 1 well in the target area has penetrated into the Gilwood with BHT=114° C
- Only 2 wells in the region have penetrated into the bedrock
- Fluid composition of the geofluids is alkali bicarbonate water with a pH of 7.8 – no indication of chemical issues
- All produced fluid is expected to be reinjected. Current reinjection formation is likely to be the Leduc Formation

Corrected Bottom-Hole Temperature Map (b)
(based on projected and actual BHTs measured after 2000 at depths ~4 km)

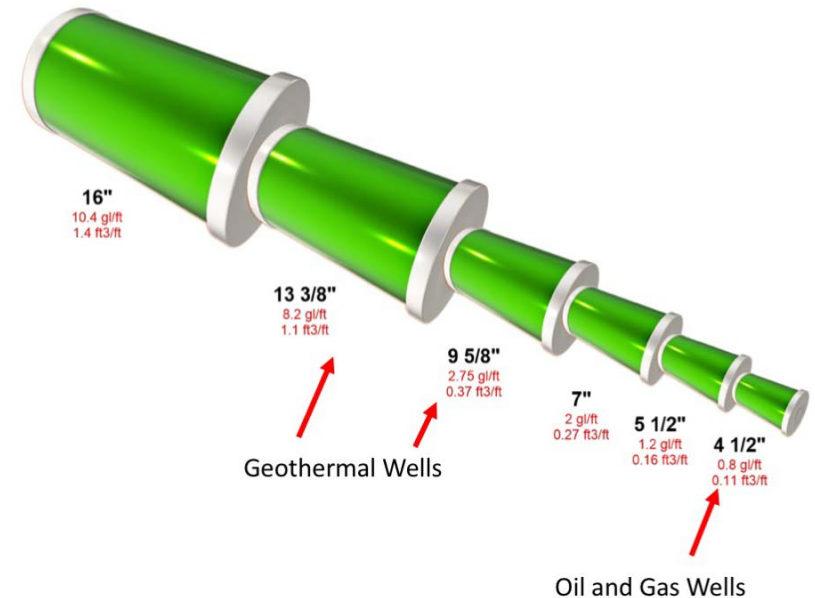


WATER FLOW & TEMPERATURE

Generation Capacity vs Mass Flow Rate
for a single well model



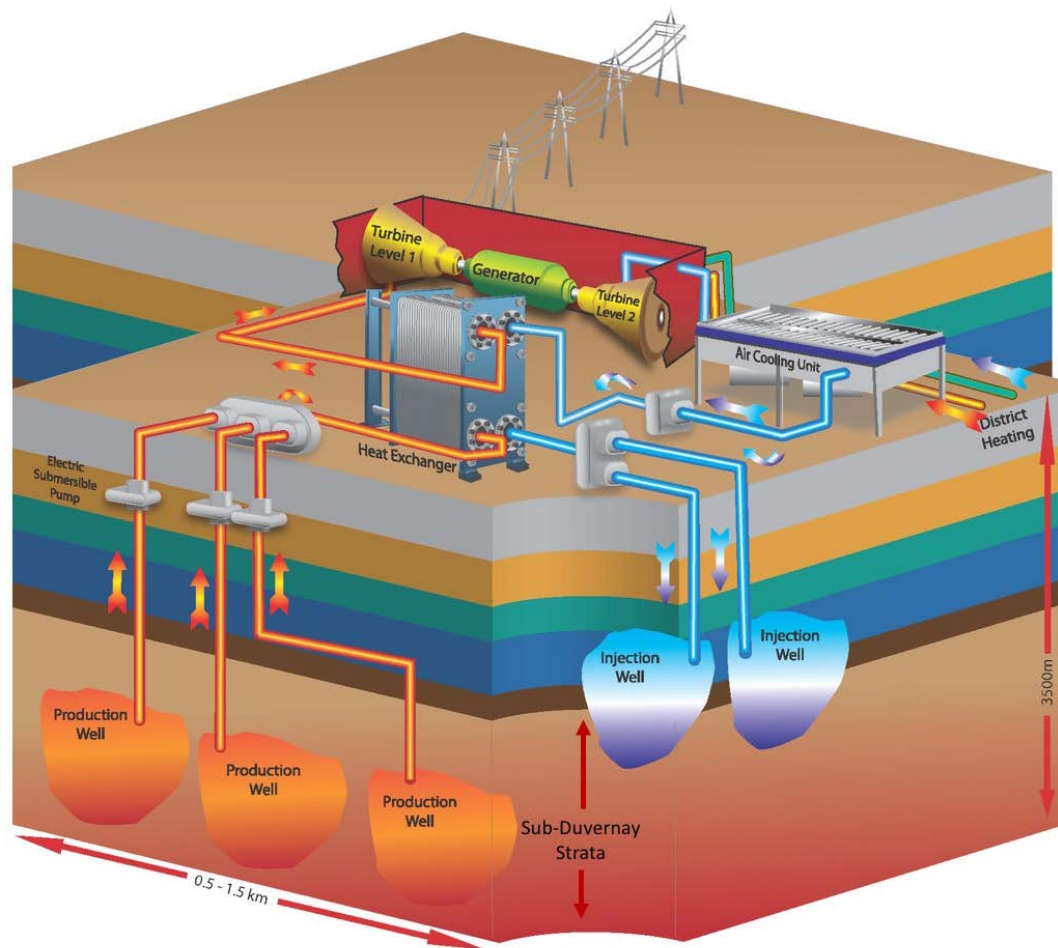
Walsh, 2013



- Required volumetric flow rate necessitates wells with wider diameters than O&G
- 3 production wells and 2 injection wells planned

- Exploration & production/injection well bores expected to be 9 5/8"
- May increase to 13 3/8" if necessary

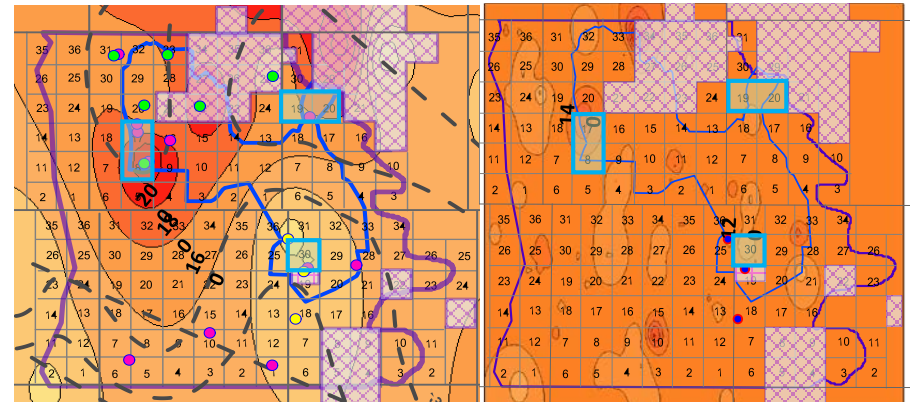
PROJECT DEVELOPMENT SCHEMATIC



DEEP Earth Energy Production Corp.

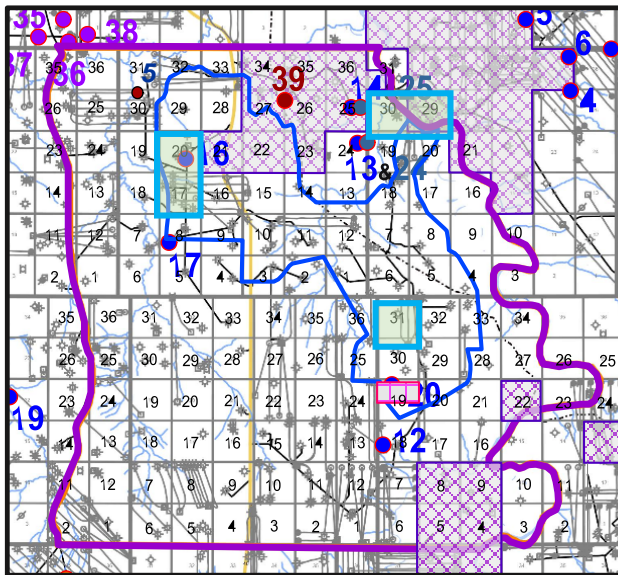
EXPLORATION FOCUS

Five sections were chosen for exploration (blue squares) shown in relationship to isotherms, disposal wells, water flow rates and cumulative water production.

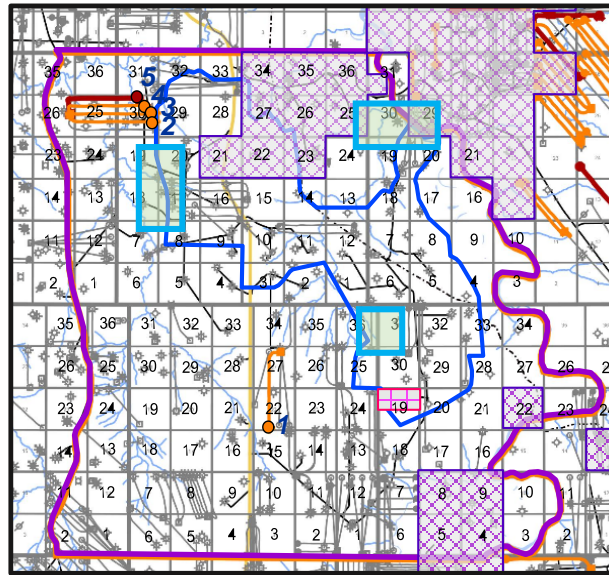


Sub-Duvernay; all data

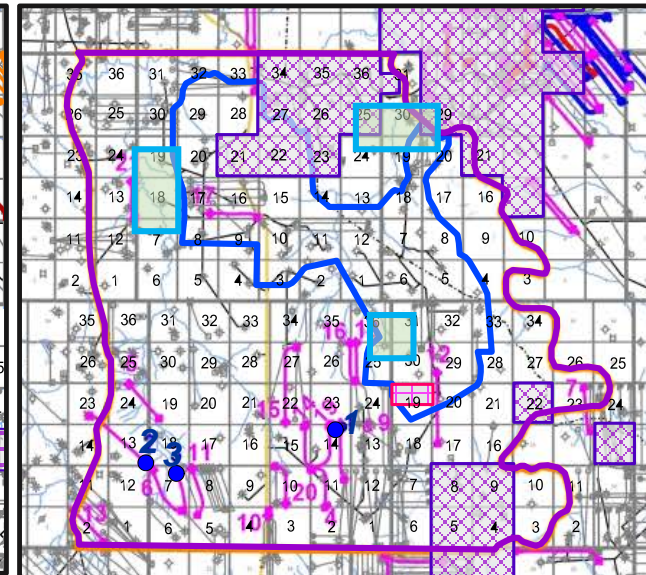
4000 m; yr 2000 - 2018



Disposal wells



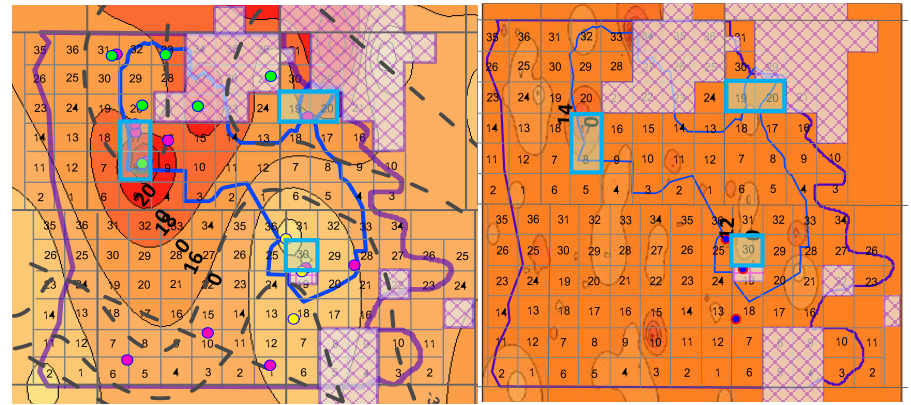
Water flow rates



Cumulative water production

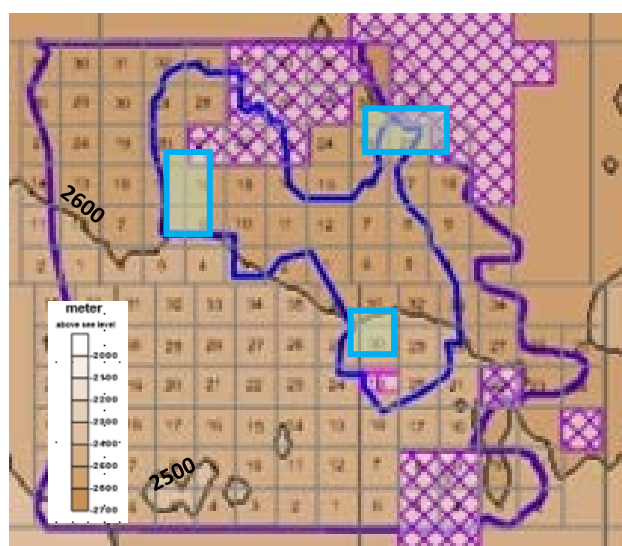
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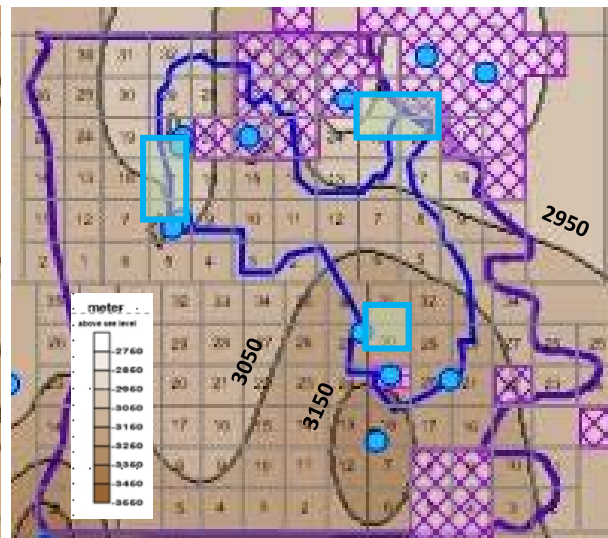


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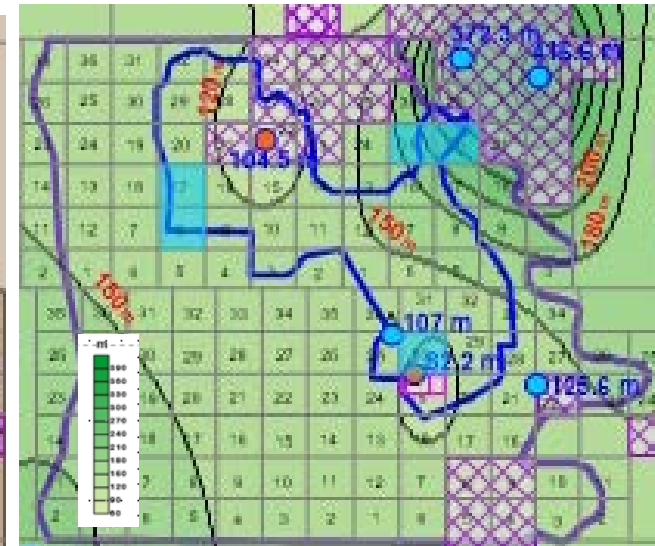
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Depth to basement



Depth to sub-Duvernay



Thickness of
sub-Duvernay

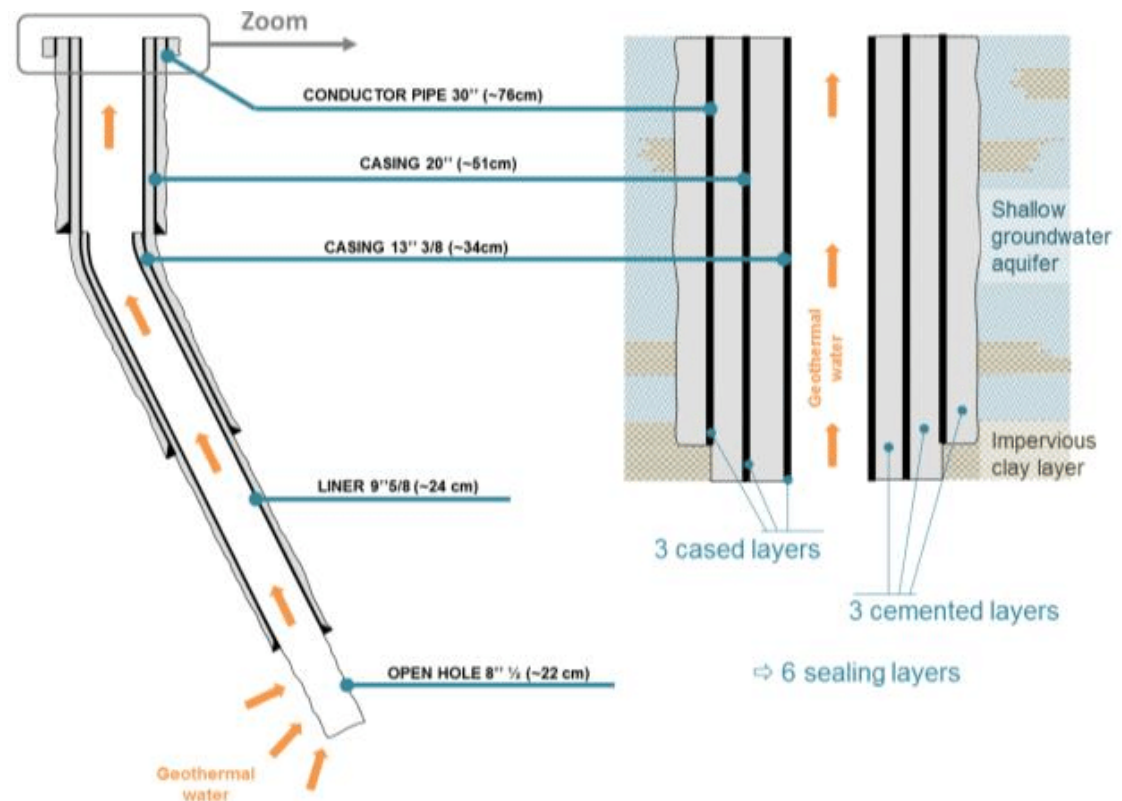
GEOHERMAL EXPLORATION & PRODUCTION WELLS



Rigs used for oil and gas drilling are used with some differences with mud handling and “loss of circulation” in production zones is celebrated. High temperature wells have additional nuances, such as double ram BOP due to temperature limitations of rubber BOPs

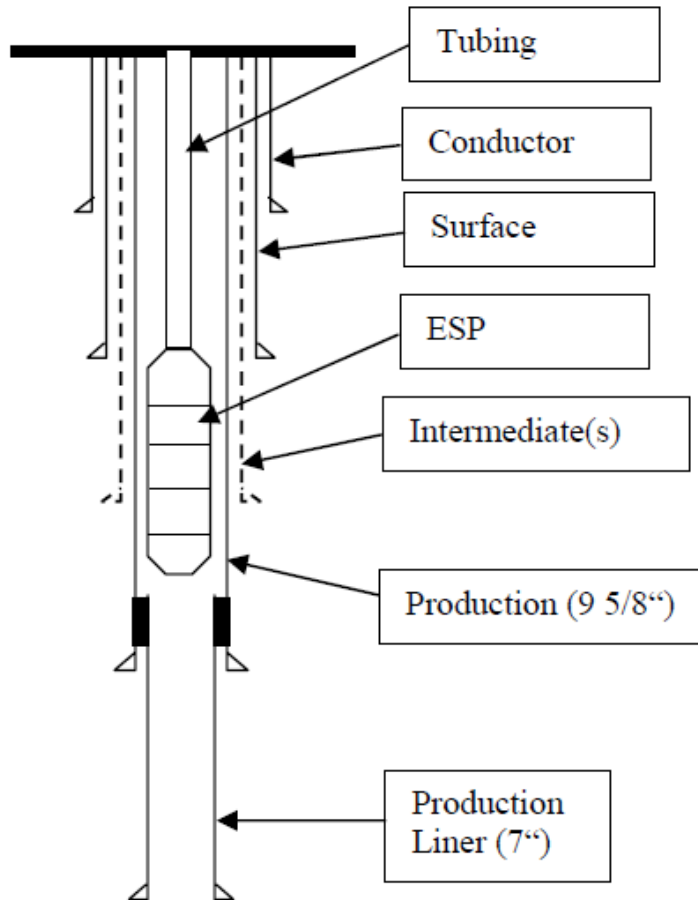
GEOHERMAL PRODUCTION WELLS

- High temperature cements are used for wells over 170°C
- lost circulation is only treated if it is above the production zone
- Open holes are not common; most have perforated liners.

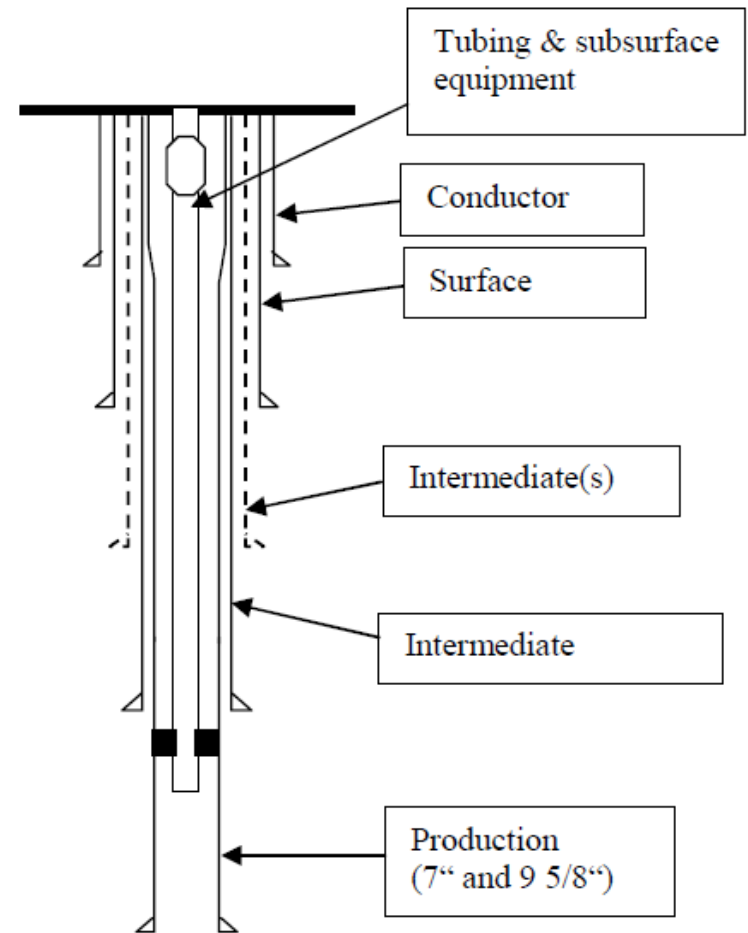


GEOHERMAL PRODUCTION WELLS AND OIL AND GAS WELLS

Figure: Teodoriu and Falcone (2008)



Geothermal: wide diameter; large well bore to accommodate deep set, large capacity pump; volumes of pumped fluids >> 30 l/sec.



Oil and Gas: narrow diameters; shallow, small pumps; small diameter tubing often to depth.; volumes of pumped fluids < 30 l/sec.

POWER PLANT FACILITY



Lightning Dock Geothermal Power Plant, New Mexico (Cyrq Energy)

Alberta No. 1 needs 300l/sec @120°C for ~5 MWe net

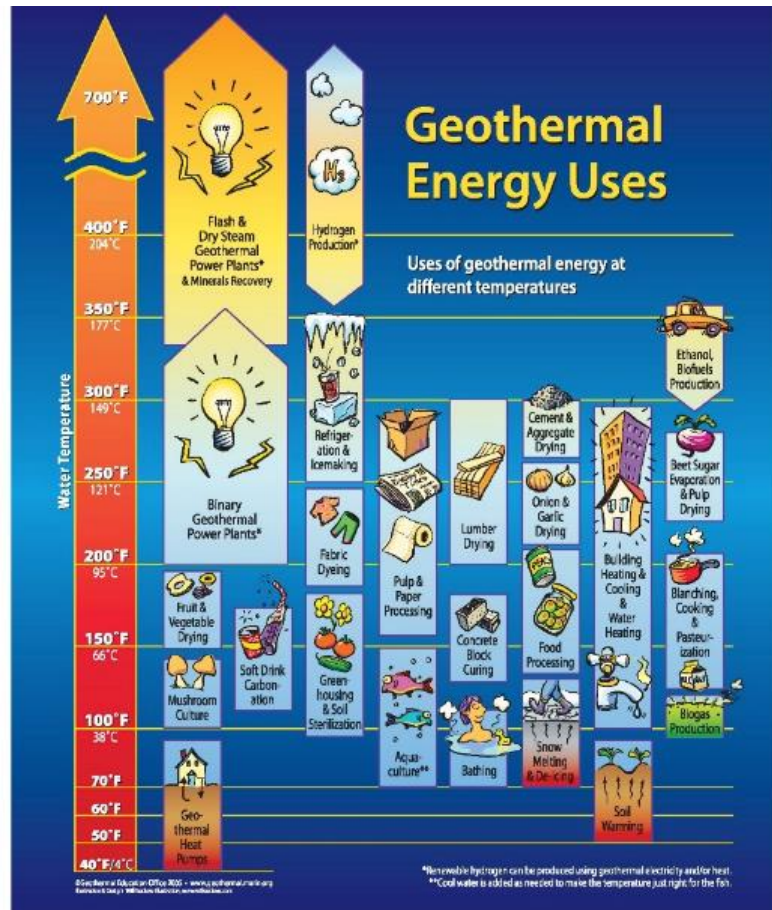
DIRECT USE ENERGY APPLICATIONS

Thermal applications include:

- Heating buildings
- Timber drying
- Crop drying
- Industrial process heating
- Commercial greenhouses
- Snow melting



Friðheimar greenhouse and restaurant,
Iceland



Geothermal Education Office, 2005

THANK YOU!

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Geothermal Power Plant and Direct-Use
Thermal Facility

