

Senex continues Cooper Basin western flank drilling program with the spudding of Growler-8

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Senex Energy Limited (Senex), as Operator for the PRL 15 joint venture, advises that the Growler-8 appraisal well commenced drilling on 11 February 2012.

At 6:00 am this morning, the rig was at 551 metres and drilling ahead to surface casing depth of 650 metres.

Growler-8 is the seventh well in the joint venture's 11 well drilling program in PRL 15 and PEL 104, comprising five appraisal wells and six exploration wells targeting the highly prospective Birkhead channel play on the western flank of the South Australian Cooper Basin.

The well is located on the western limb of the Growler oil field, 1,200 metres to the west of the Growler-1 discovery well and 600 metres southwest of Growler-7.

The Growler-8 appraisal well will seek to extend the mid-Birkhead channel reservoir encountered in the nine Growler wells drilled to date, seven of which are now on production. The well will also examine the potential of the lower Birkhead channel sand prognosed to be developed at this location.

Senex holds a 60% interest in PRL 15 and is Operator of the joint venture, with the remaining 40% interest held by Beach Energy Limited.

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Figure 1: Growler-8 well location

