

New Technology: "Single-Trip Multi-Frac"

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Statfjord field, Equinor

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Agenda

- Introduction to Statfjord
- Low permeable reserves on Statfjord
- Motivation for use of multi-stage fracturing
- Introduction to «Single-Trip Multi-Frac» operations
- Pilot well C-7 C and experiences
- Lessons learned and way forward



Technology developing through decades

Initial oil production by pressure maintenance

IOR production

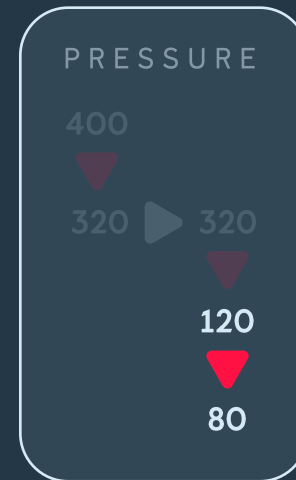
Statfjord Late Life (SFLL)

Field Lifetime eXtension (FLX)

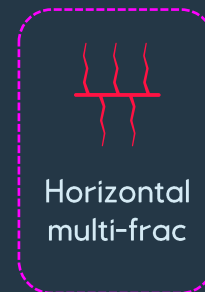
- New ways of working > continue chasing oil, gas and water
- Continue lowering pressure topside
- Deeper gas lift & AGLS
- Retrofit multilateral wells (RMLT)
- Horizontal multi-frac wells for low permeability/tight formations (Cook)

2020 → 2040 Maximise oil and gas production

FLX: RMLT, GL, AGLS
horizontal multi-frac



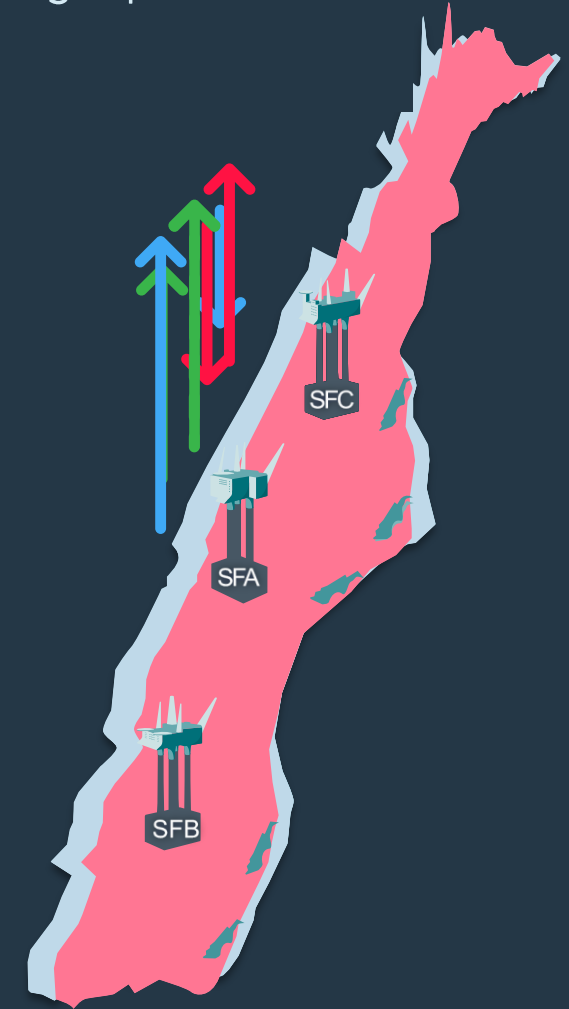
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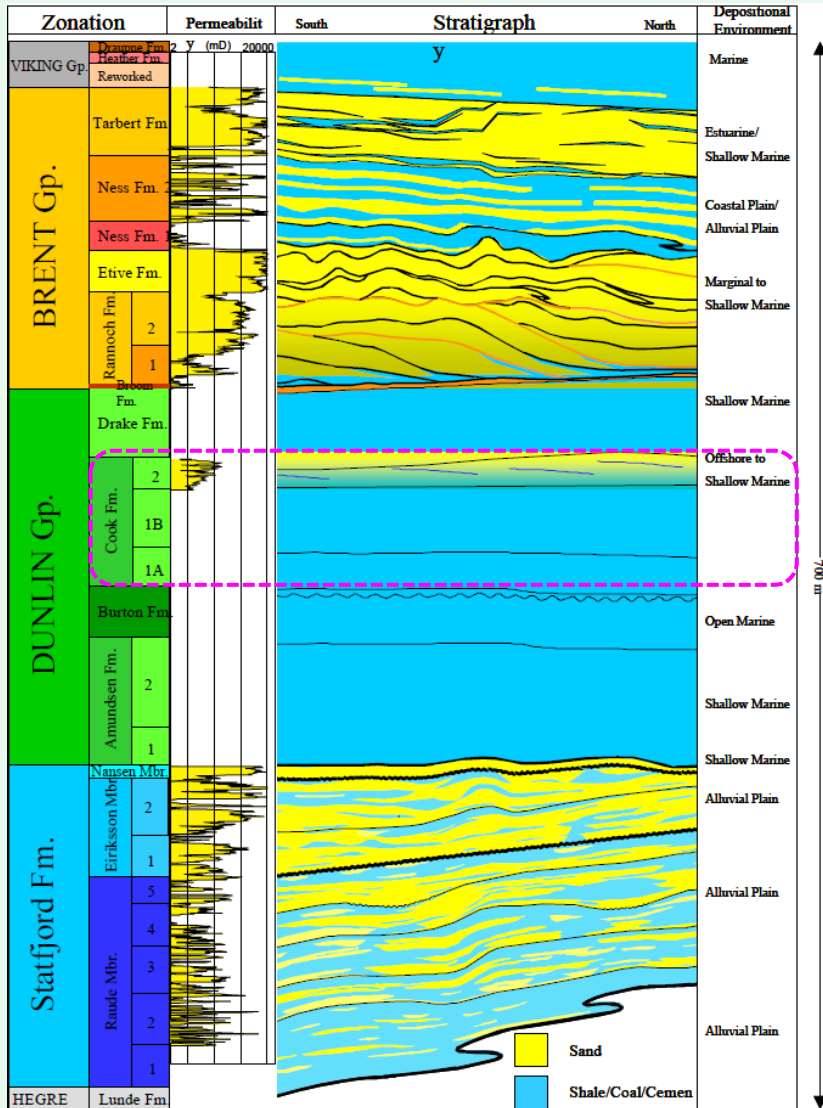
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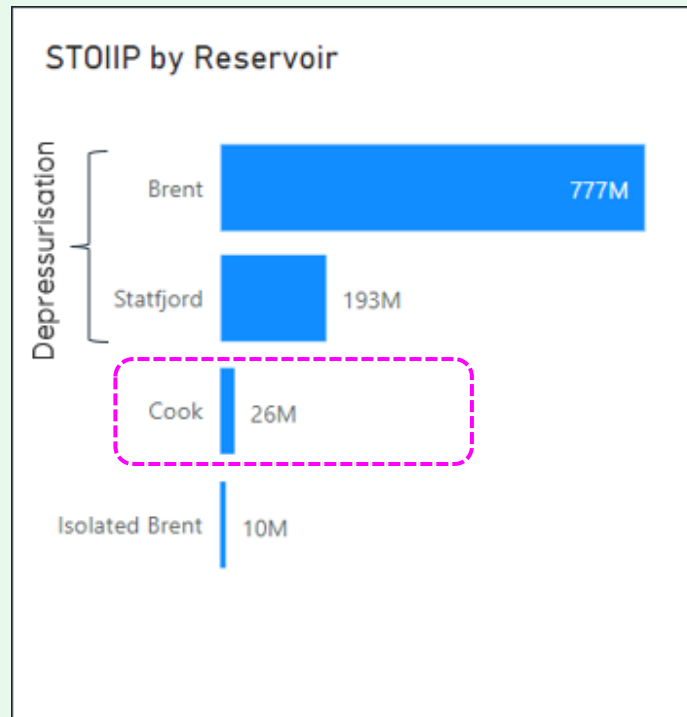
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Low permeable reserves on Statfjord



Average Reservoir Properties						
Reservoir	Zone	Porosity (%)	Water Saturation (%)	Gross Thickness (m)	Net / Gross (%)	Permeability (mD)
COOK	Cook 2	22	10-20	22	45	200-1000
	Cook 1	11	50-60	40-65	5	1-10

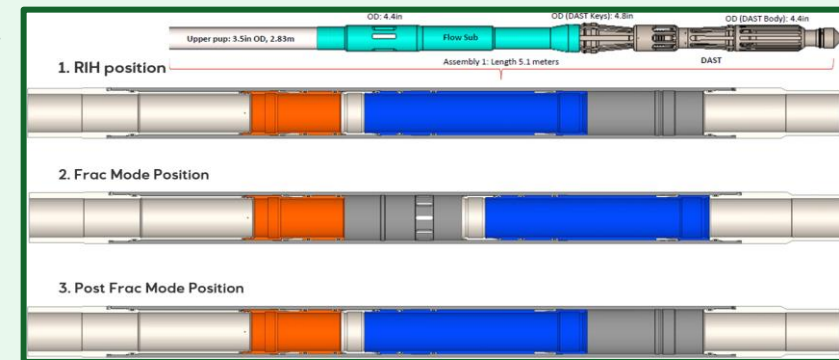
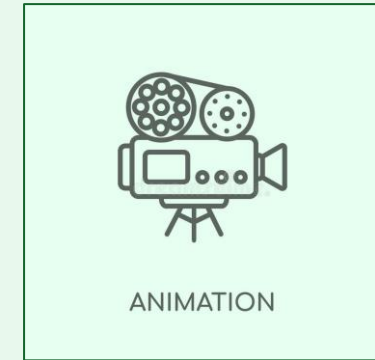
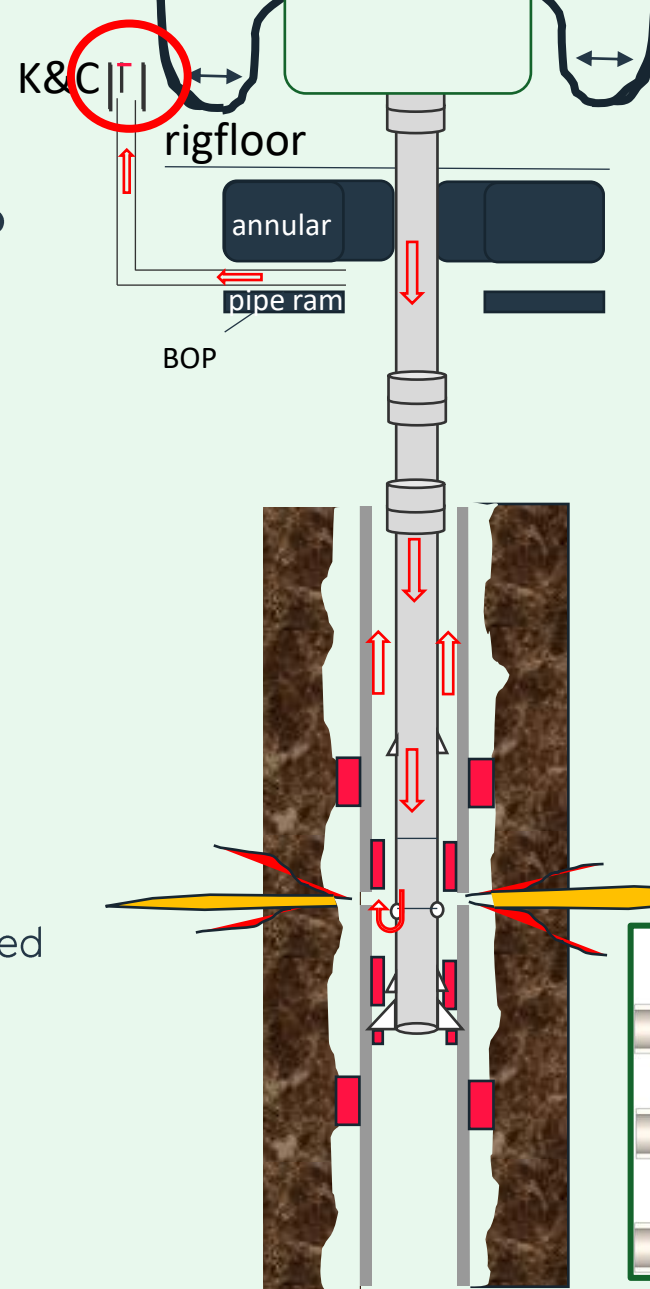


Initial Reservoir Conditions			
COOK	Datum Depth	2469.0	m TVD MSL
	Datum Pressure	383.4	BARA
	Datum Temperature	93.7	Deg. C
	Oil Water Contact	2604.4	m TVD MSL

STOIP Distribution and Oil Recovery per Reservoir Zone			
Reservoir Zone	STOIP (MSm3)	Oil Produced as of 1/1/2023 (MSm3)	Oil Recovery Factor (%)
Cook 2	12	5.1	43%
Cook 1	8	0.2	2%
Cook East Flank	6	0.0	0%
Total Dunlin Gp.	26	5.3	20%

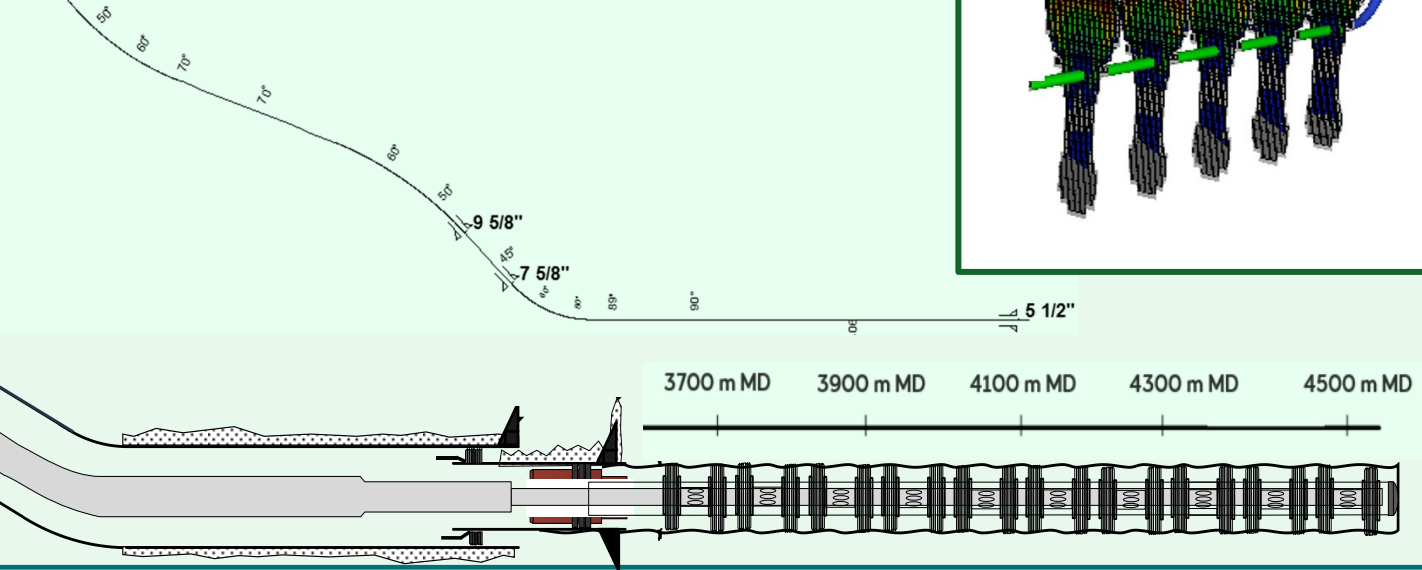
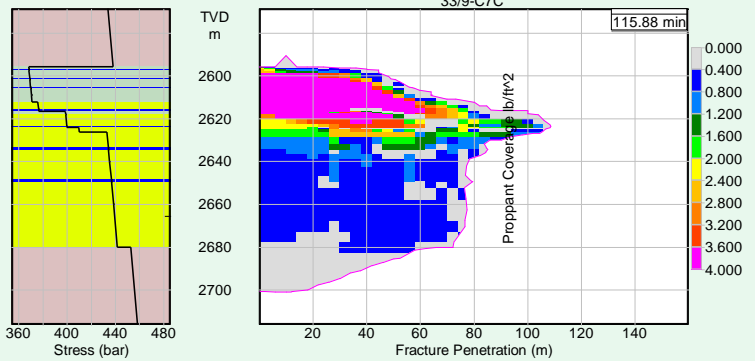
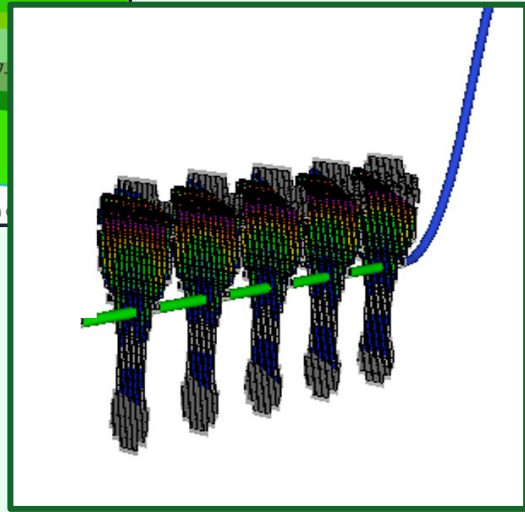
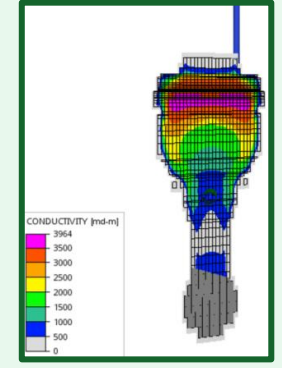
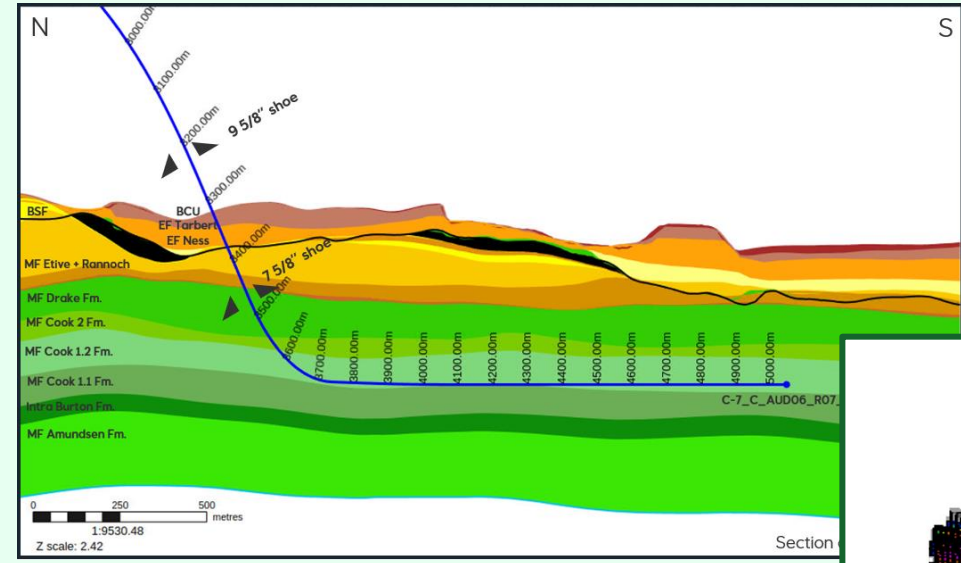
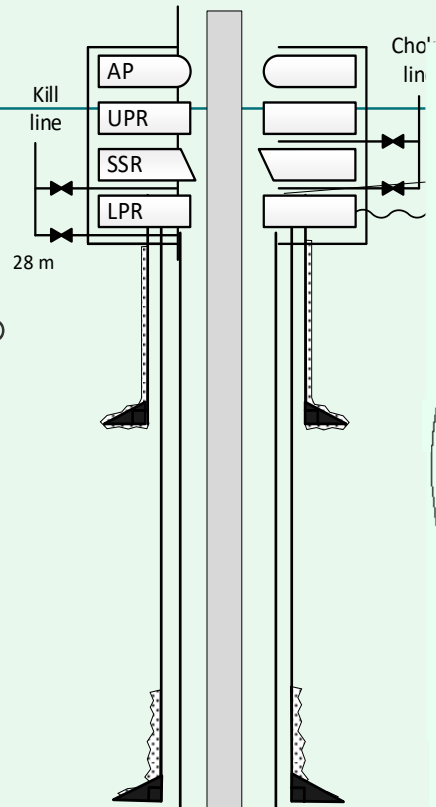
“Single-Trip Multi-Frac” – What is it?

- RIH with DAST
- Open frac sleeve
- Breakdown test + Analysis
- R/U frac stand
- Connect stimulation vessel
- Flush lines / PT
- *Optional: Pump Mini-frac / SRT*
- Pump Main frac
- Close frac sleeve and reverse out underdisplaced proppant slurry with const BHP
- Leak test frac sleeve
- R/B frac stand
- POOH to next sleeve



C-7 C Well objective

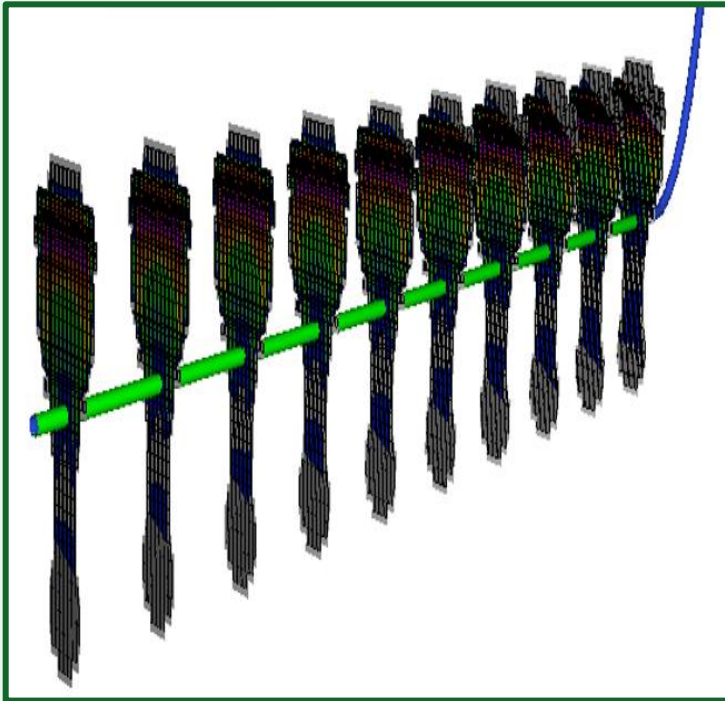
The idea is to initiate fractures from Cook 1 up to and including Cook 2. This will enable drainage of the low productive Cook 1 and at the same time get sufficient production from Cook 2 to have commercial rates.



C-7 C Frac design - Timeline

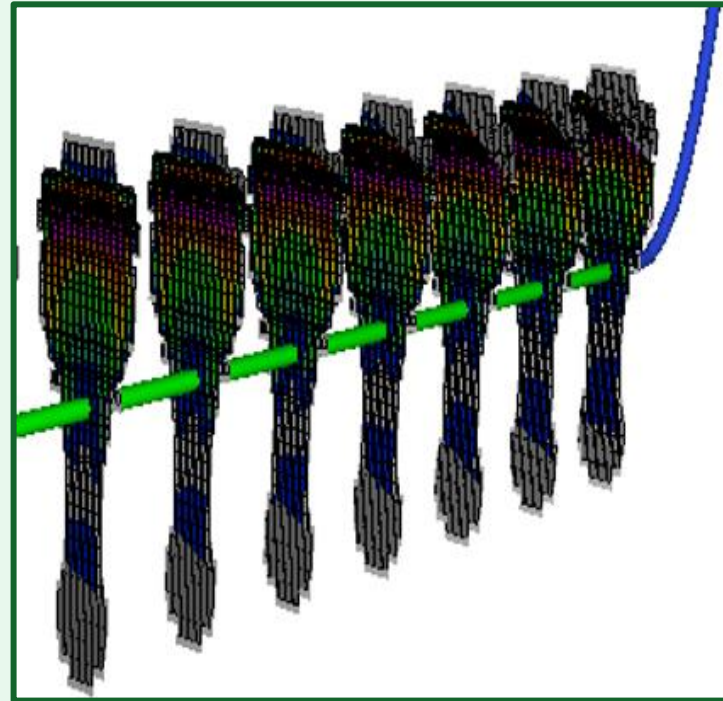
Subsurface potential
10 stages

Logistical Limitations

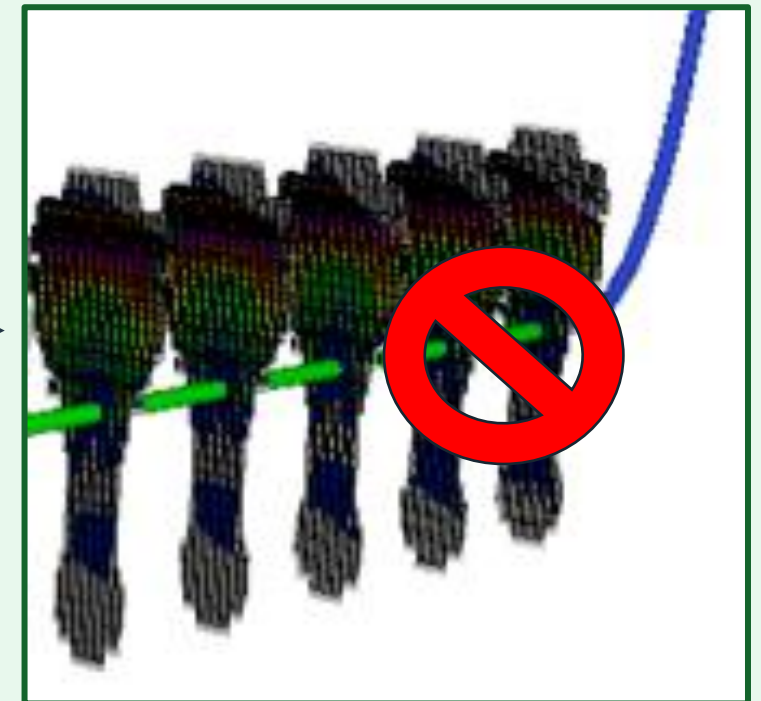


Subsurface freeze
7 stages

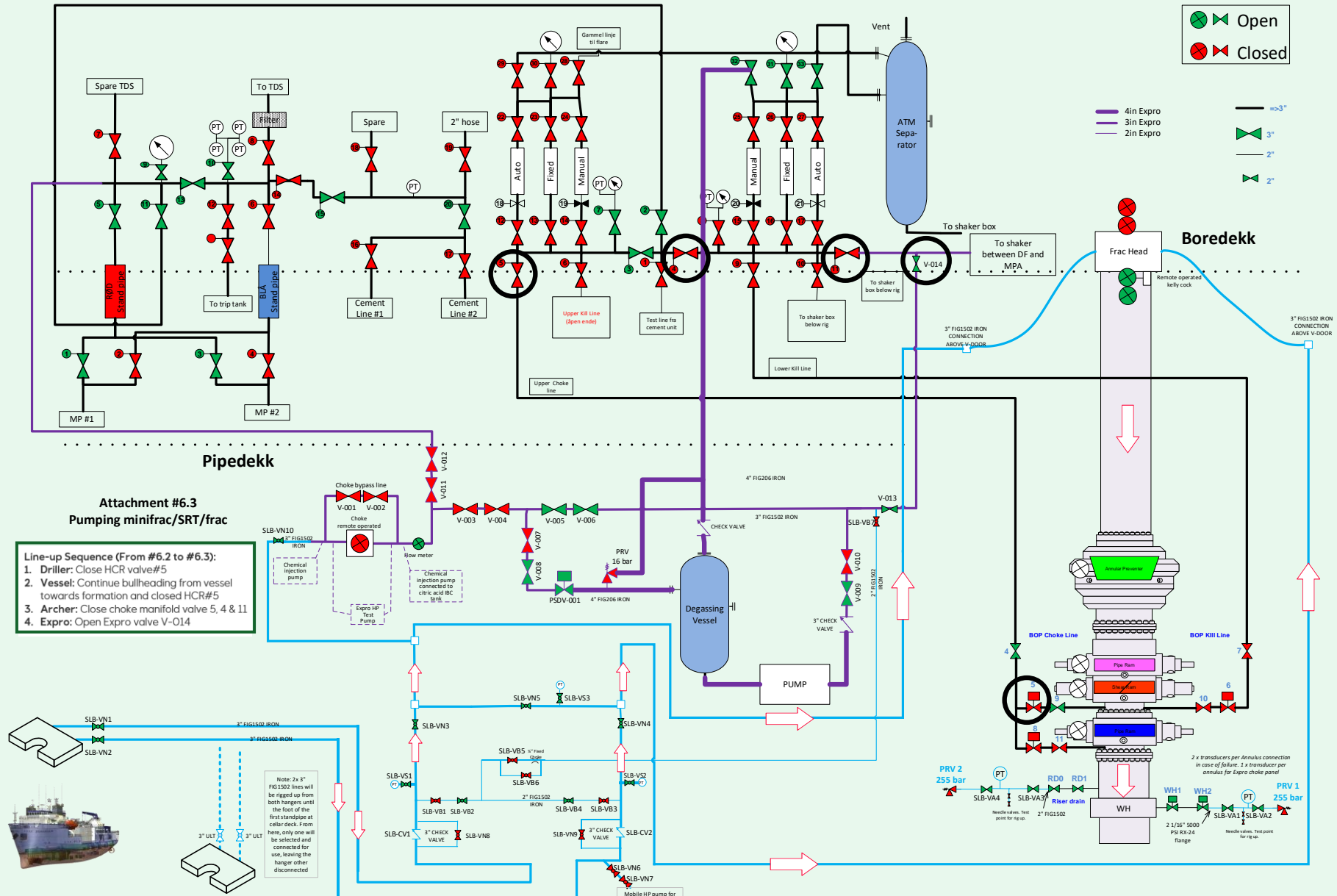
Technical & Time
Restrains



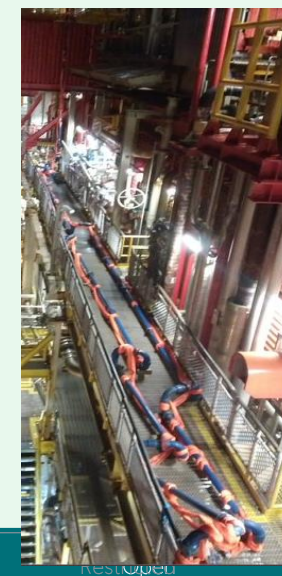
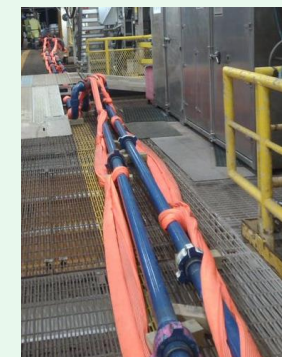
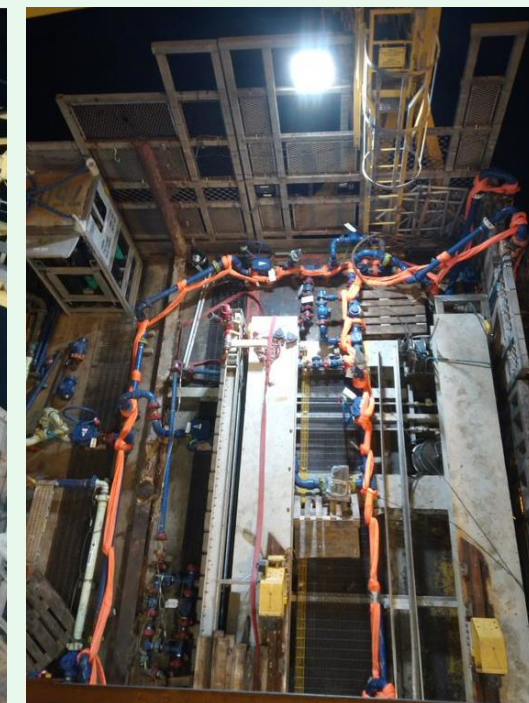
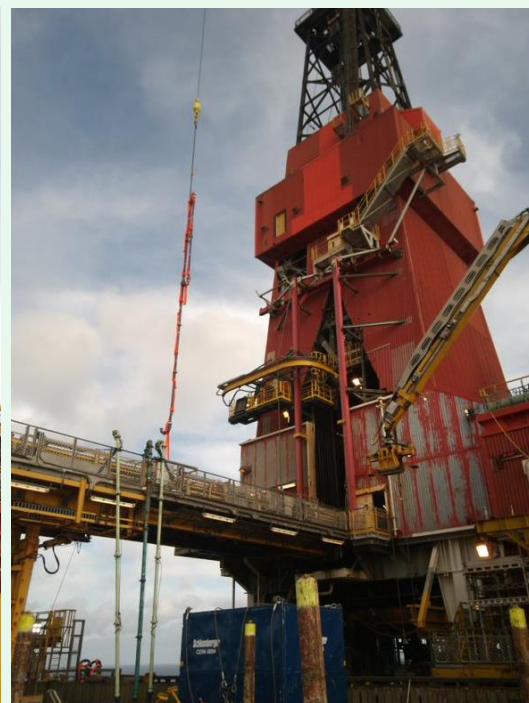
Management of change
3 of 5 stages



Line-up diagram



Line-up: reality



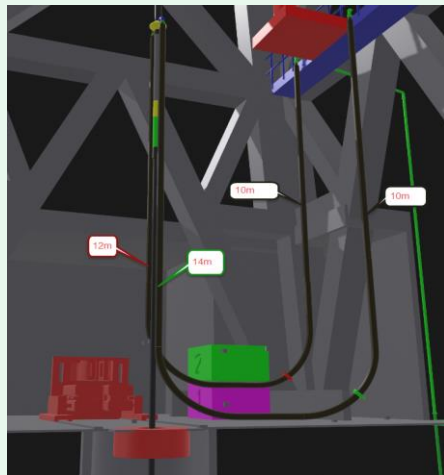
X - Safe and operations

Frac stand – What is it?

- Frac head handling is typically very time consuming
- A lot of manual work required in red zone
- Rigging up/down scaffolding on drill floor
- No cherry picker available on Statfjord (limited ability working at height)

Rig up / Rig down
Less than > 30 min

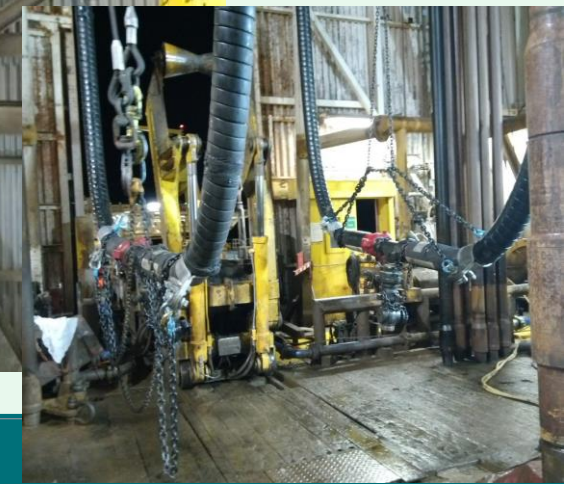
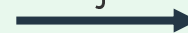
3D modelling



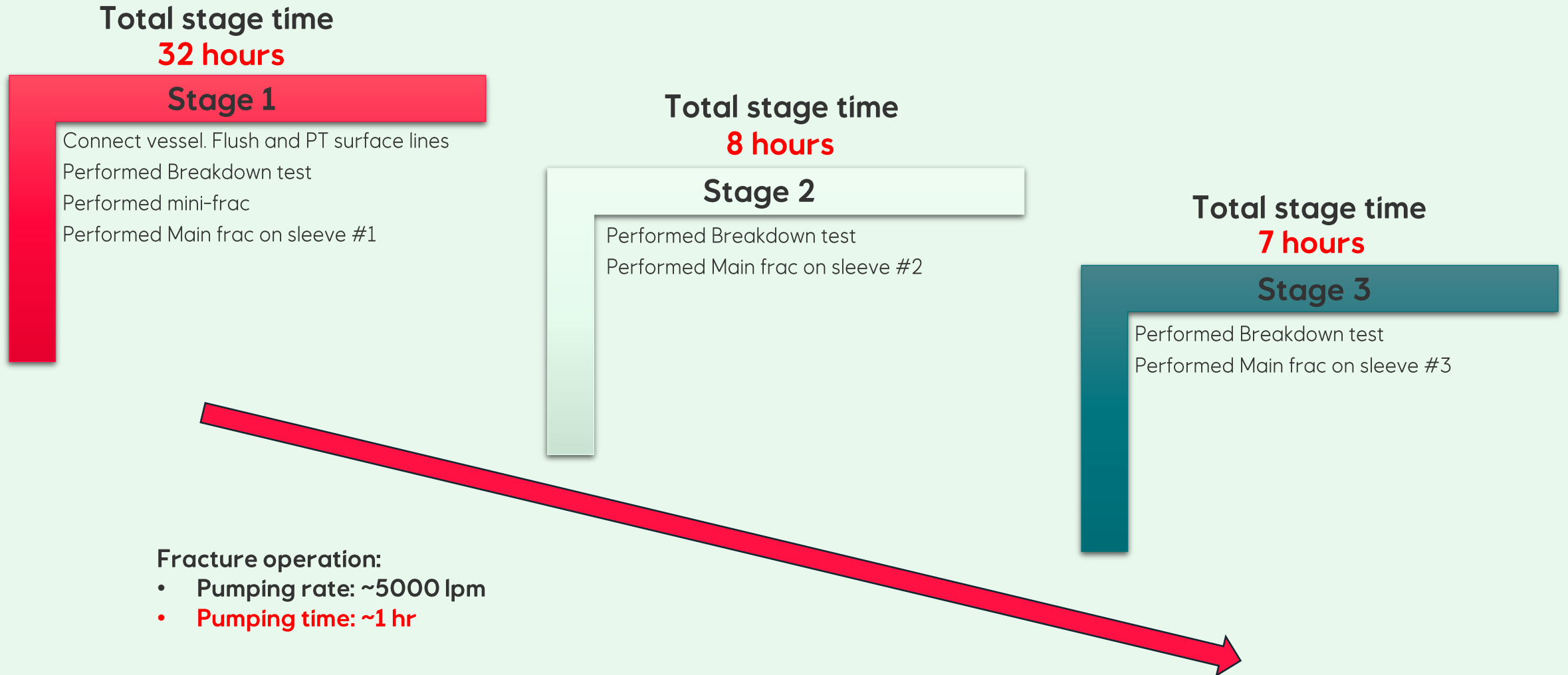
Stack-up test
X-rig Ålgård



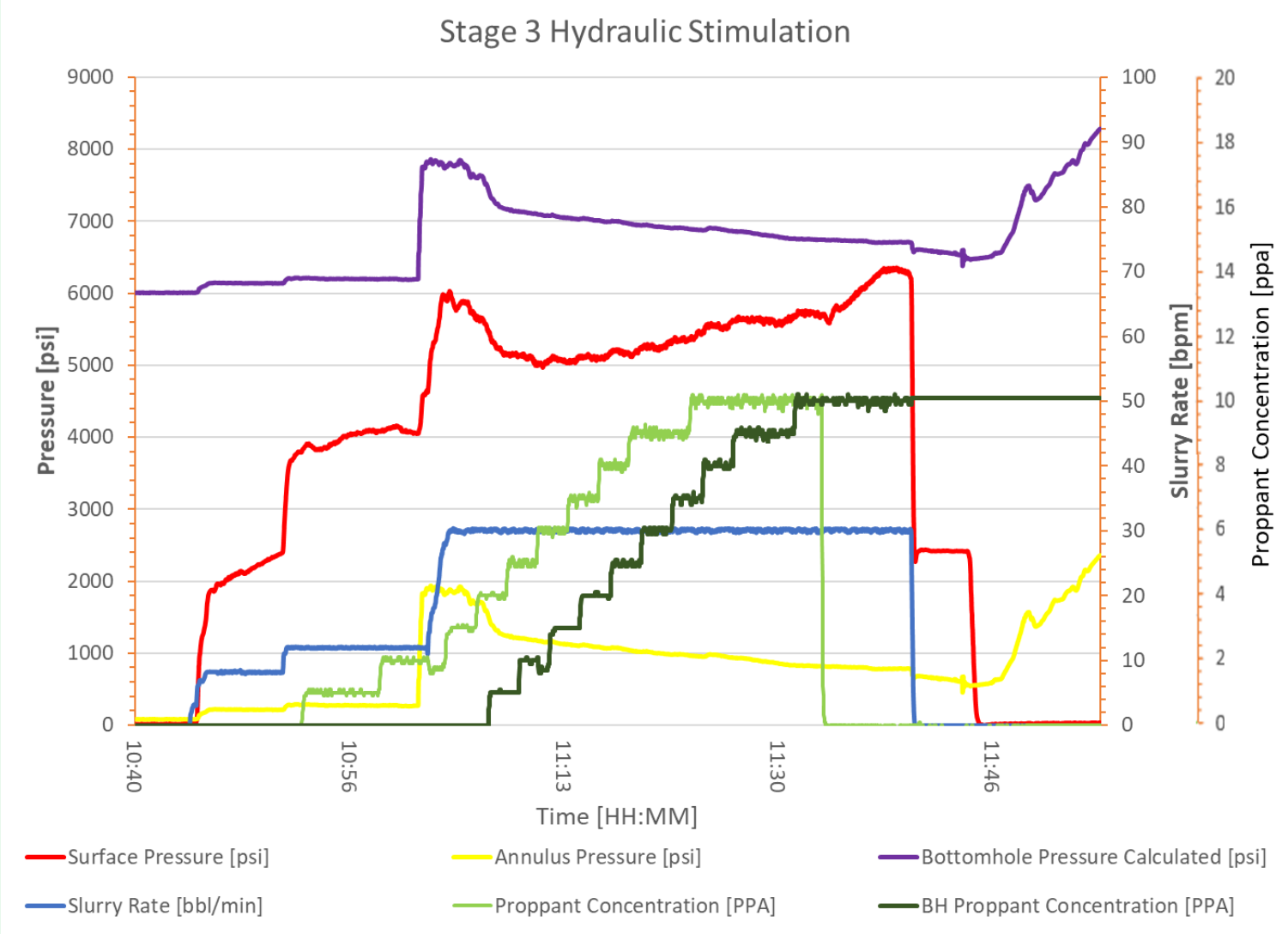
Frac stand
Statfjord C



Summary of the results



Stage 3 Hydraulic Stimulation



Summary of the results | Ambitions

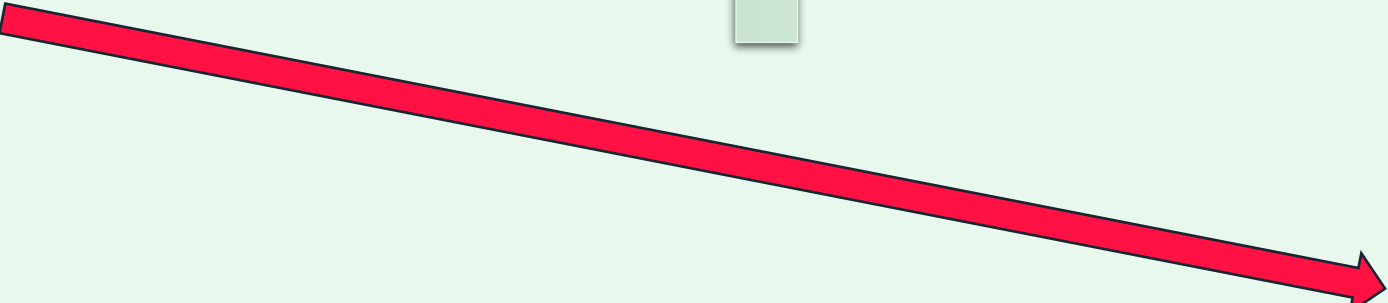
Stage 4 - Aborted

Opened sleeve #4
Performed Breakdown test
Went into losses
Closed sleeve
Losses stopped
POOH to the next sleeve

Stage 5 - Aborted

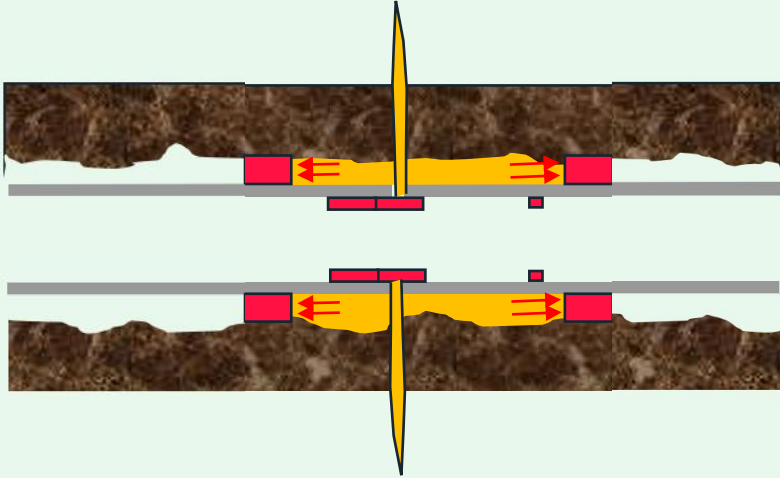
Opened sleeve #5
Went into losses
Closed sleeve
Losses stopped
Aboard ops

Losses 25-30 m³/hr

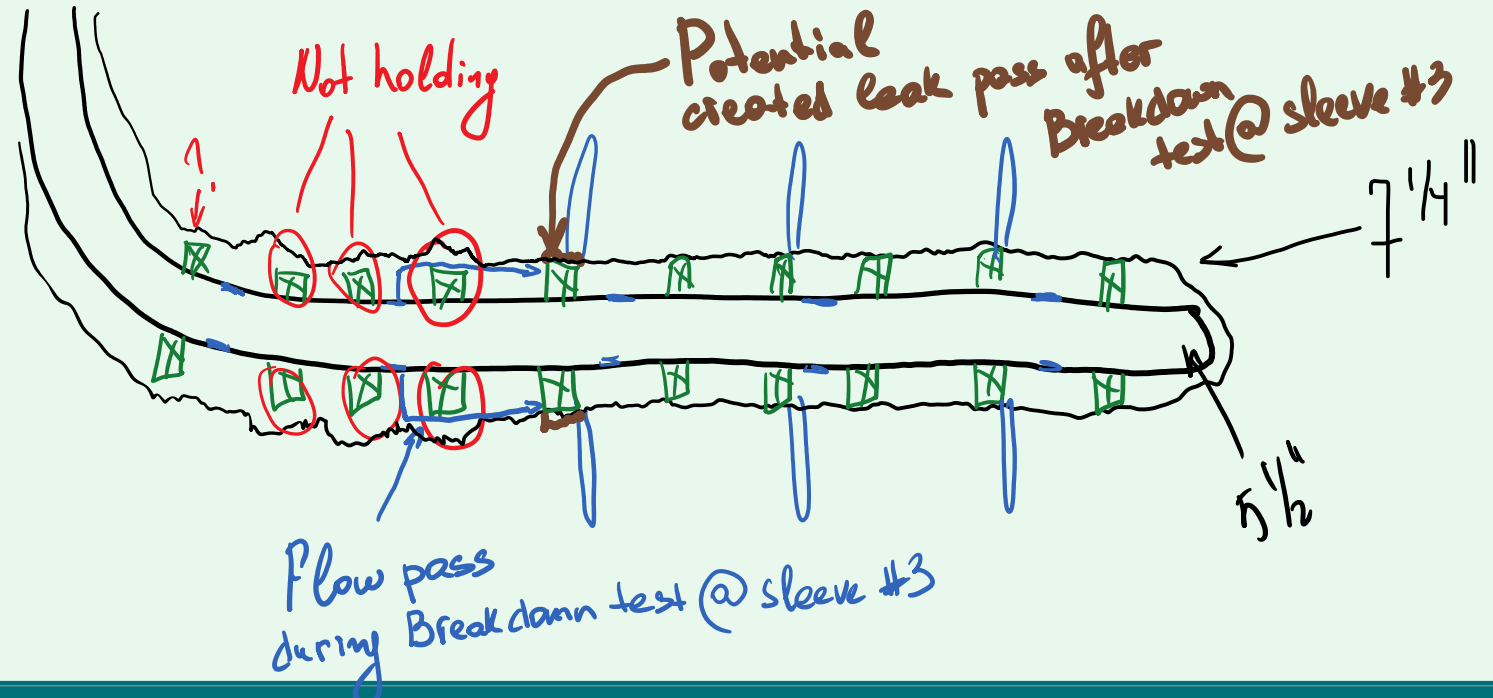
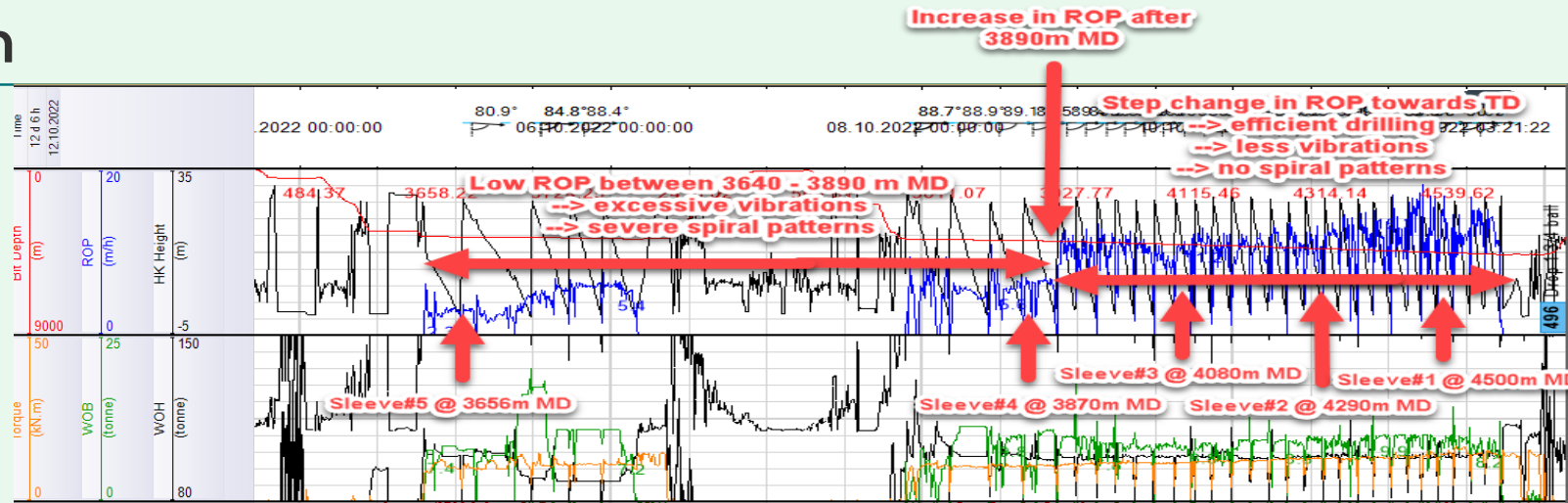


**We can do a stage in
6h!**

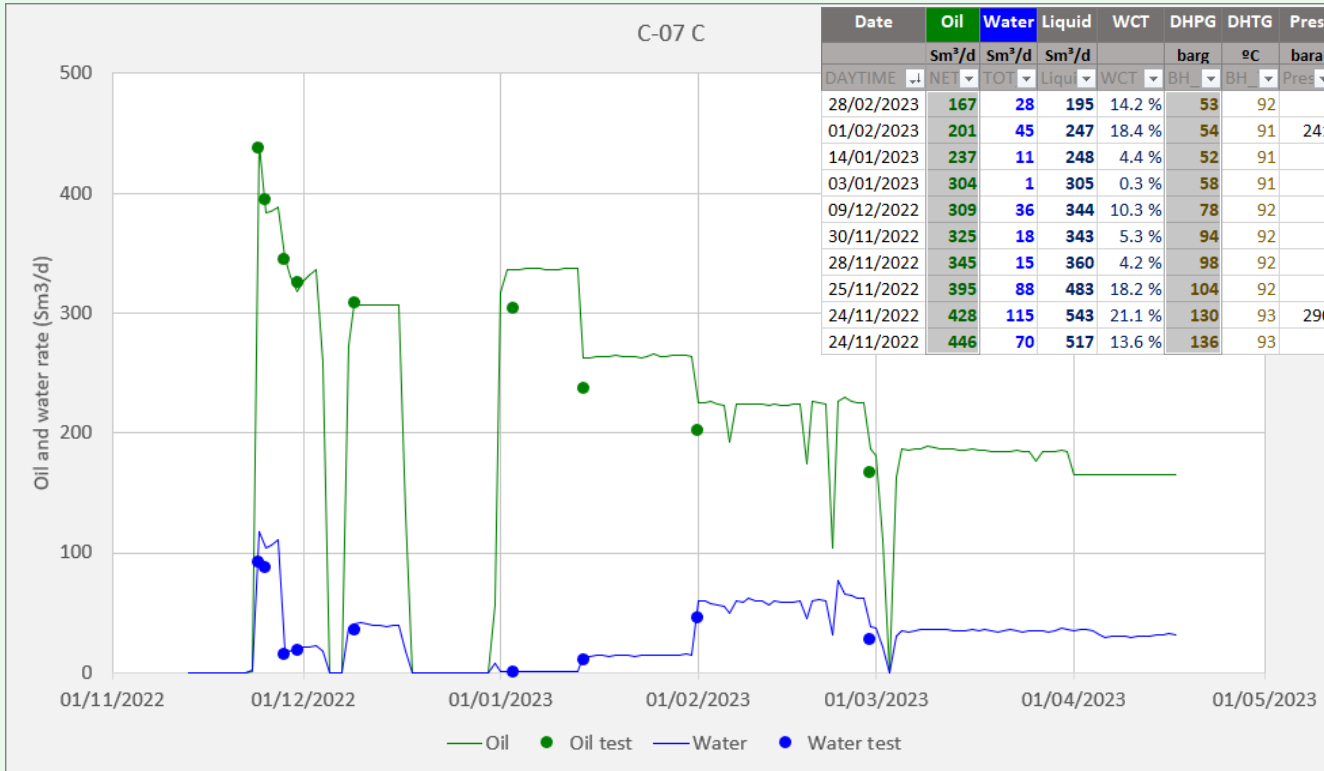
A bit of an issue / speculation



This is not from C-7 C, only illustration !



C-7 C – Well Performance



- Signs of transient behavior typical of low-permeability reservoirs
- Gradual reduction of both the liquid rate and flowing bottomhole pressure
- **Potential for future production improvements for next wells**

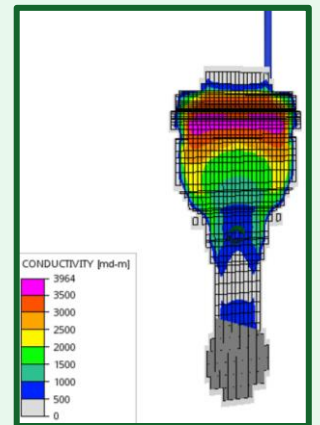
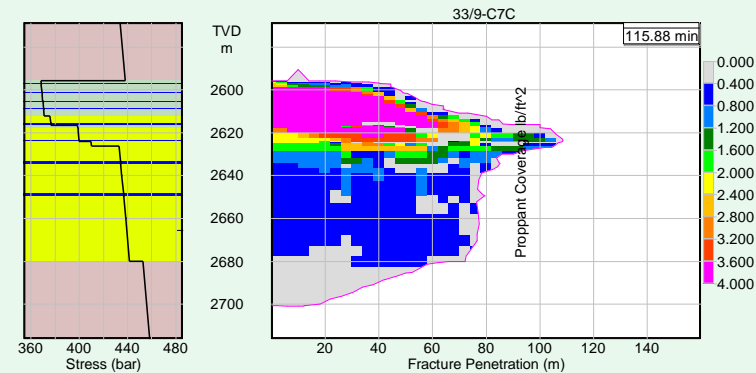
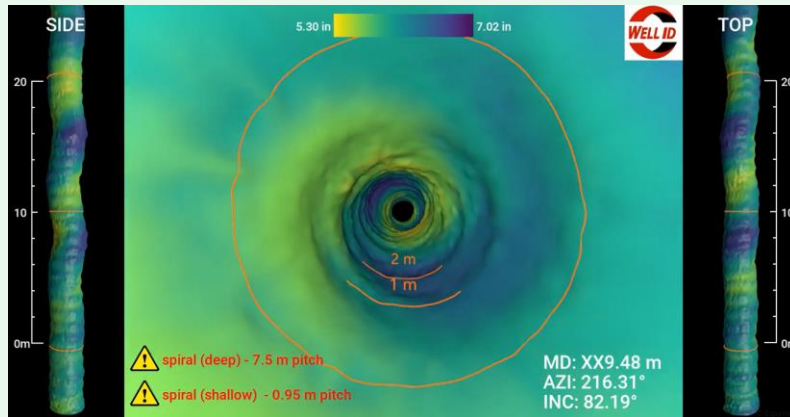
C-7 C – Lessons Learned and Way Forward

Completion design changes:

- 1) Removing underreamer
- 2) Redesigned WLP packer for 6 3/4" hole
- 3) WellID 4D caliper

Frac design changes:

- 1) Wellpath will be landed shallower to reduce vertical distance to Cook 2.
- 2) Final concentration of proppant will be increased.





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