



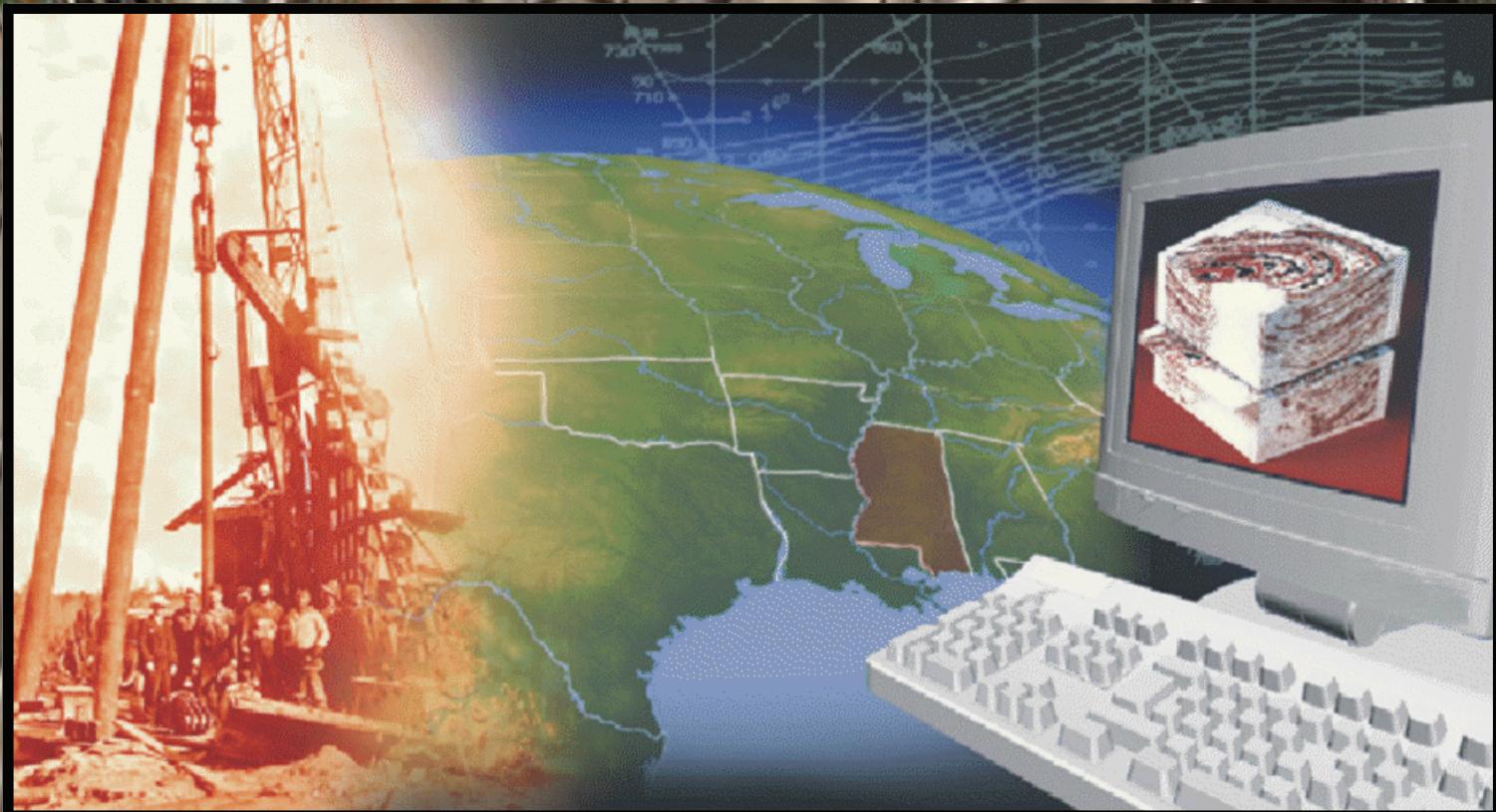
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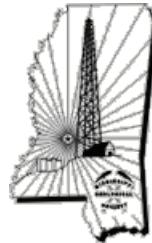
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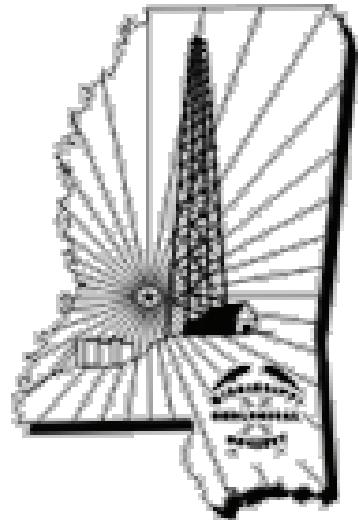
January, usually the longest, dreariest month, is behind us now. I always feel like if I make it through January I'm in good shape since February is a short month and then comes March and Spring....but that's just me. Something about Spring and hope springing eternal...but then again, that's just me.

This month for our luncheon speaker we will be treated to what should be an interesting talk by one of our own, Danny Harrelson. He will be speaking on the geology of the Vicksburg area and its effect on the battles and siege of Vicksburg. With the sesquicentennial of the Civil War now under way, this certainly is a timely talk, and one of interest to students of the War of Northern Aggression. And of interest, as well, if you've ever led/chased a group of Cub Scouts as they ran the entire length of the loop in the Vicksburg Park, up and down the 'hills and hollers'. Please make your plans to attend Thursday, February 9th, at 11:30 at River Hills.

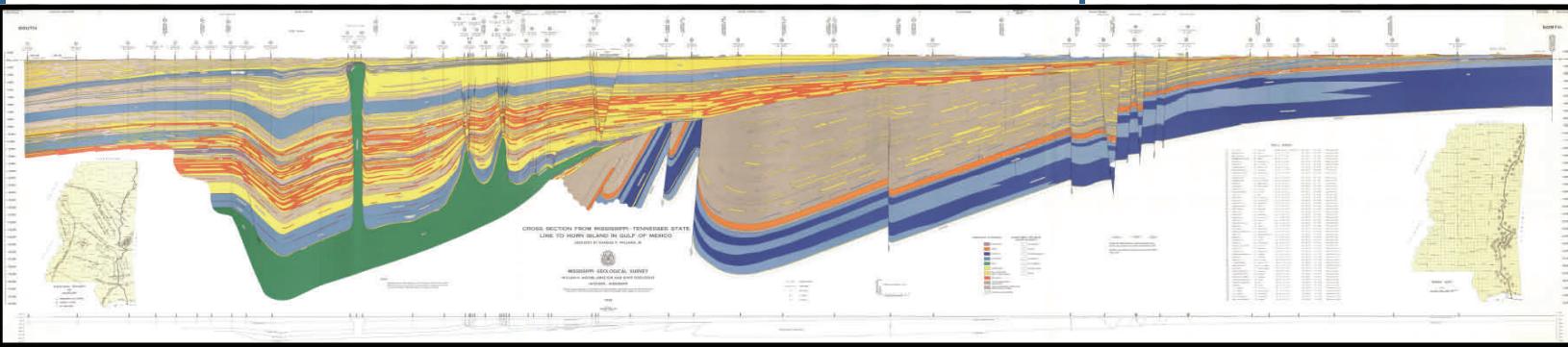
We are still in the process of updating our publications via scanning and review of older publications. The 1969 Wilcox book has been scanned and others are under way. Your assistance will be welcomed if you wish to volunteer to help accomplish this first review and re-formatting.

Elsewhere in this bulletin you will find, as usual, the calendar for your Society's activities. Please review it and mark your own calendar and plan to attend these events.

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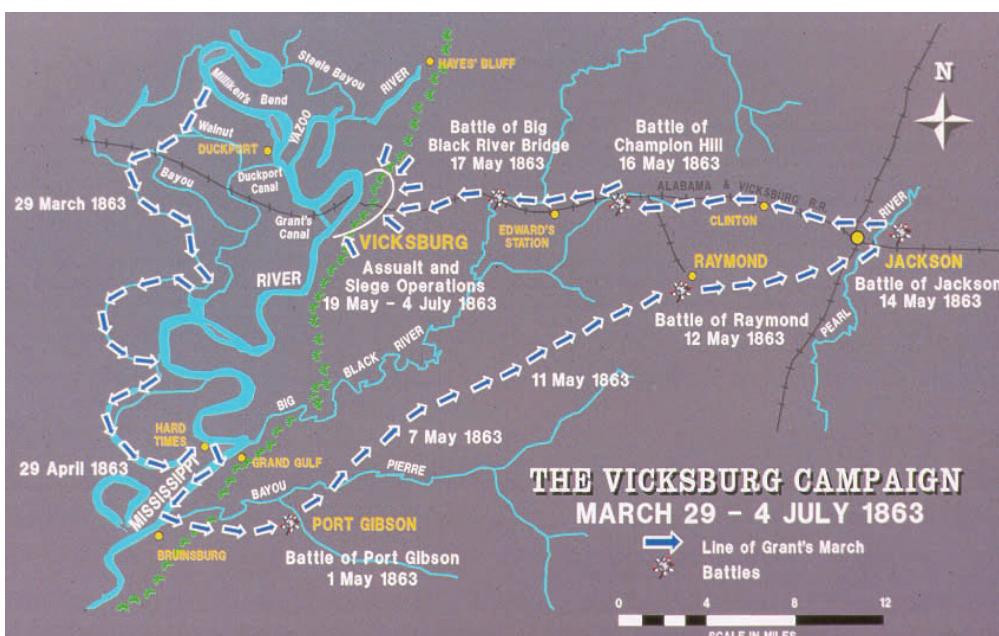
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When	What/Who	Where
September 8, 2011	Fall BBQ	Jackson Yacht Club-5:30pm
October 13, 2011	Gas Hydrate: A Huge Emerging Energy Resource Art Johnson: Hydrate Energy International	River Hills – 11:30am
November 9, 2011	The Jurassic Nophrat Formation of the Deep Water Eastern Gulf of Mexico: A Revisit of the Sedimentology of Aeolian Systems & Comparisons to both the Modern Namib Desert and Ancient Cedar Mesa Analogues: John B. Wagner*	River Hills – 11:30am
December , 2011	Christmas Party and Dance	Colonial Country Club
January 12, 2012	Oil and Gas Finders Unite! New exploitation techniques in resource plays benefit geologists, engineers, and geophysicists alike	River Hills – 11:30am
February 9, 2012	Geology and the Vicksburg Campaign of the American Civil War	River Hills – 11:30am
March 8, 2012	TBD	River Hills – 11:30am
April 12, 2012	Boland Scholarship Awards	River Hills – 11:30am
May 10, 2012	Spring Fling	Jackson Yacht Club– 5:30pm

OFFICERS MEETINGS



August 4, 2011

September 1, 2011

October 6, 2011

November 3, 2011

December 1, 2011

January 5, 2012

February 2, 2012

March 1, 2012

April 5, 2012
May 3, 2012

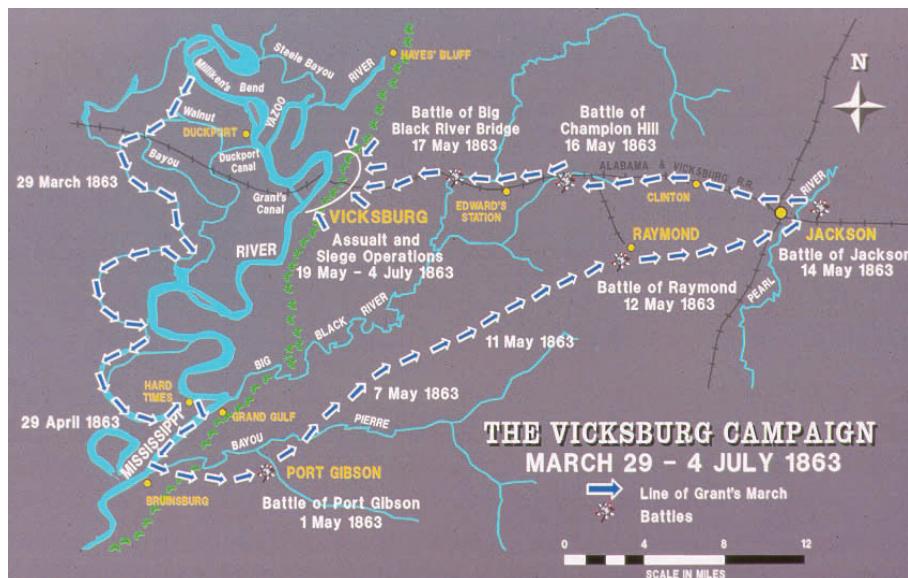
MGS LUNCHEON SPEAKER:

Geology and the Vicksburg Campaign of the American Civil War

Danny W. Harrelson and Maureen K. Corcoran, Research Geologists, U.S. Army Engineer Research and Development Center, 3909 Halls Ferry Road, Vicksburg, Ms. 39180, email, Danny.W.Harrelson@erdc.usace.army.mil, Phone: 601-634-2685, fax: 601-634-3153.

The Vicksburg Campaign of 29 March - 4 July 1863 was decided by geology. Geologic factors influencing the campaign included the unique properties of Loess deposits (i.e. its ability to be worked into stable vertical cuts), a Yazoo-type stream (i.e. the Yazoo River) and the meandering stream morphology of the Mississippi River. The Loess deposits influenced the battles at the tactical level by allowing the construction of formidable defensive positions. The naturally high relief created by the Loess bluffs was the single most important factor in the establishment of the Gibraltar of the Confederacy. The Yazoo-type stream, north of the city was a natural defensive barrier that dramatically hindered troop and ship movement. The sinking of the USS Cairo, 12 December of 1862 proved a significant example. Grant and Butler's canals (Figure 1) were efforts to use the meandering nature of the Mississippi River to circumvent Vicksburg's defenses.

These ingenuous attempts would have succeeded had basic geologic principles been applied. In summary the fortifications and defensive positions constructed within the Loess deposits precluded any success of frontal assaults while the morphology of a



Yazoo-type stream and the meanders of the Mississippi River provided defense of both

flanks. Correct analysis of these unique geologic conditions by the Union field commanders lead them to utilize tactics (i.e. a flanking maneuver and the 46 day siege of Vicksburg) that neutralized these inherent strengths and thereby lead to a successful campaign ending with the surrender of Vicksburg on 4 July, 1863.

G. Zeman, 2001, The Campaign for Vicksburg - 1863, <http://www.nps.gov/vick/vcmppgn/vcmppgn.htm>

BIO:

Danny W. Harrelson received his B.S. 1976 and M.S. 1981 degrees in geology from the University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg, Ms. He has a total of 35 years experience working for state and federal government, private industry (oil and mineral exploration) and consulting firms (oil service, geotechnical and environmental). Mr. Harrelson has authored or co-authored more than 100 papers and abstracts on a variety of geologic subjects, published in numerous professional journals. Currently, he is employed as a research geologist for the U. S. Army Engineer Research Development Center, Geotechnical and Structures Laboratory, Vicksburg, Mississippi.

Tuscaloosa shale promising

St. Helena well's initial production spurs interest

BY TED GRIGGS

Advocate business writer

February 07, 2012

It's still early in the Tuscaloosa Marine Shale's development, but energy industry members say a St. Helena Parish well's initial production, nearly 800 barrels a day, is encouraging.

The Encana Weyerhauser well, completed in November, averaged 784 barrels of oil per day and 309,000 cubic feet of natural gas, according to Encana's filing with the state Department of Natural Resources.

"This is certainly a key well. There's no doubt," said Dan Collins, a Baton Rouge landman who spent much of last year negotiating lease agreements with landowners in the shale.

"You know, 800 of anything coming out of the ground daily is a lot," Collins said.

That's especially true when the anything in question fetches nearly \$100 a barrel.

Around two dozen wells have been drilled or are being drilled in the Tuscaloosa Marine Shale, an oil-rich formation that covers Louisiana's midsection. Energy companies have leased more than 1 million acres in the formation, but so far the firms aren't sharing much of their early production figures.

Kirk A. Barrell, president of Amelia Resources, of Texas, said before the formation can be considered economically viable, 10 to 20 wells will have to be completed.

"You need the initial (production) rates for 10 to 20 wells, but you also need to get 12 to 15 months out and see what the decline of that rate is," Barrell said.

Still, Collins said it appears the energy companies believe they have something.

Oil companies have proposed a number of wells and discussed putting multiple drilling pads on landowners' property, Collins said. The shale's future remains to be seen, but there probably wouldn't be so much activity if the energy companies didn't believe their investment is worthwhile.

Encana has leased around 270,000 acres in the play, has completed one horizontal well, and has two new wells under way, according to its investor presentations.

Encana spokesman Alan Boras said he could not discuss any details of the company's Tuscaloosa wells.

But the company will release more information during its fourth-quarter earnings report, scheduled for Feb. 17, Boras said.

A lot of people think every well in the Tuscaloosa should produce 1,000 barrels a day, but it takes time for drilling companies to figure out the best approach, Barrell said.

Barrell, the author of a blog on the Tuscaloosa Trend, said people forget or don't realize that the early results varied from wells drilled in the Eagle Ford Shale in Texas.

While there were a few good wells whose maximum production was around 1,000 barrels per day, there were a number of wells whose daily production never reached double figures, Barrell said.

Collins said in order to recover the millions in drilling costs, a well's initial production has to be pretty strong because the production curve declines pretty rapidly.

Shale wells' production rates generally fall about 75 percent after 12 months.

"I liken it to a ski slope. We certainly don't want the black ski slope. We want one of those greens or blues that's going to ... gently drop over time," Collins said.

Gifford Briggs, vice president of the Louisiana Oil and Gas Association, said the Encana well's results will encourage additional testing.

But it's difficult to say how significant the well is without knowing the costs and how long the well will continue producing at the same rate, Briggs said.

In this early phase, Encana and other companies operating in the Tuscaloosa are still trying to answer a number of questions, such as what is the right depth to drill and how to get the most effective fracture, he said.

Wells in the Tuscaloosa are drilled vertically for around 11,000 feet and then horizontally. Drillers then fracture the formation in multiple stages, forcing millions of gallons of water, mixed with sand and/or ceramic and chemicals into the formation to crack the shale. The sand and ceramic materials prop the cracks open, releasing the oil.

Fracking has drawn criticism from environmentalists and some landowners, who say the practice pollutes the air, contaminates water and consumes too much water. The oil and gas industry's position is that fracking has been used for more than 50 years on thousands of wells with no evidence of groundwater pollution.

Collins said leasing activity in the area has slowed this year as companies have turned to drilling, but Barrell said his firm and its partners are still actively leasing.

Lease prices in the Tuscaloosa Marine Shale, compared to other shale plays, remains a "great, great value," Barrell said.

Last year, leases were going for around \$150 an acre.

Briggs said he has heard that leases are fetching \$250 to \$500 per acre.

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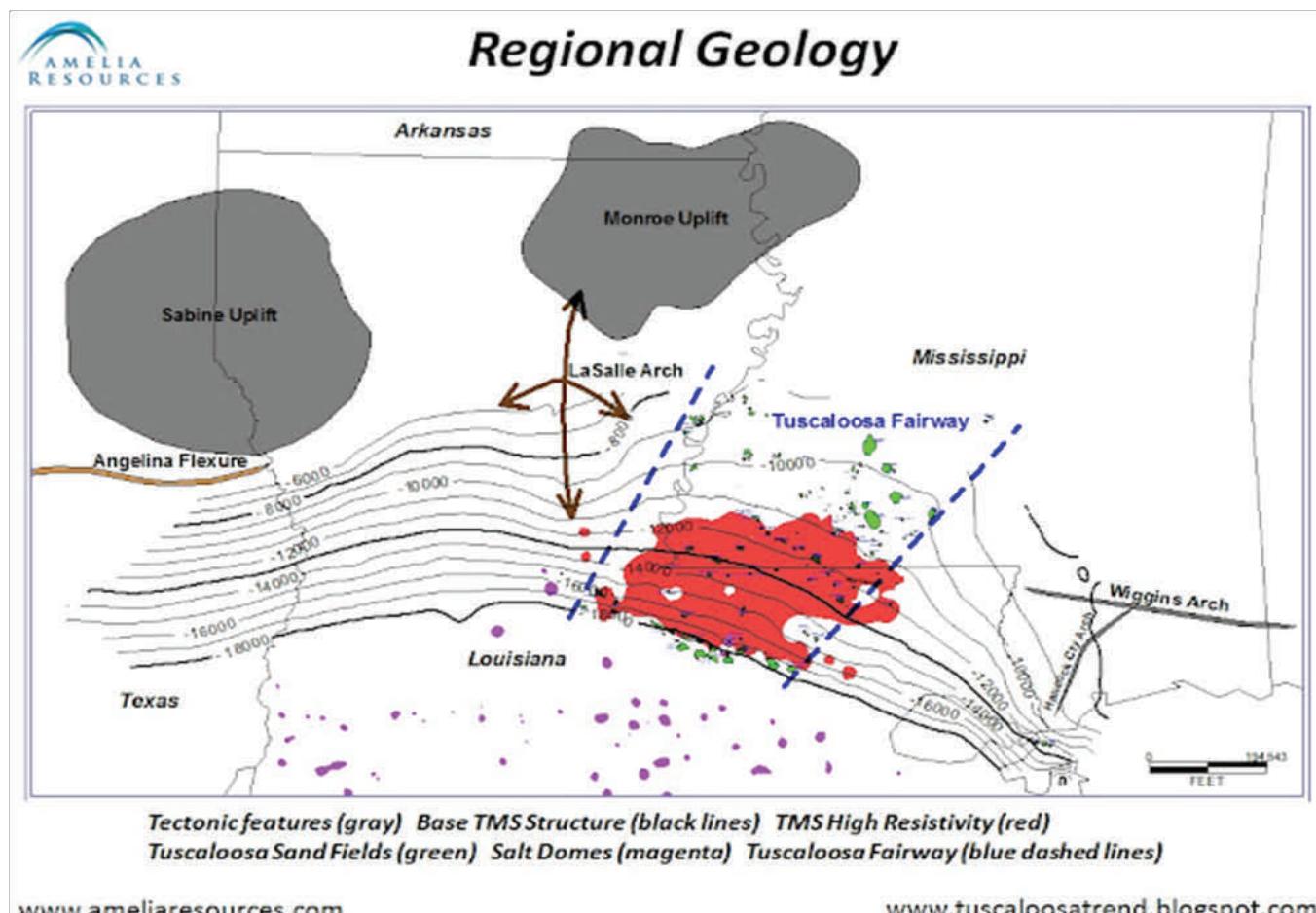
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Tuscaloosa Regional Geology:

Regional tectonic features played a significant role during the deposition of the Tuscaloosa Formation. The LaSalle Arch and the Wiggins/Hancock County Arches serve as “tectonic bookends” for the Tuscaloosa Fairway. These large tectonic features exerted control over the orientation and subsequent deposition of the ancestral Mississippi River. A regional 2D seismic grid and well logs indicate that the ancestral Mississippi River was very prominent along this fairway as far back as Upper Jurassic (Cotton Valley) time.

The base of the Tuscaloosa Marine Shale (TMS) structure illustrates the structural nosing caused by these features and exhibits a variance in dip across Louisiana. The large volume of Tuscaloosa sand deposition and subsequent loading resulted in a gently dipping structure within the Tuscaloosa Fairway. Prolific Tuscaloosa sand production (green) occurs along this fairway (blue dashed lines). To the west where Tuscaloosa sand deposition did not occur, much steeper structural dips resulted. The impact of the Sabine Uplift is evidenced by the southwestern trend of the structure contours. The cluster of diapiric salt domes down dip of the Tuscaloosa Fairway indicates massive sedimentary loading and a consistent axis of deposition during later geologic time. The modern day Mississippi River still flows through this fairway today. McMoRan currently explores for the Tuscaloosa sands downdip of this fairway in the Gulf of Mexico.

Repetitive, extensive depositional loading events occurred through time and resulted in basinal subsidence, which ultimately led to a unique burial history along the Tuscaloosa Fairway. Thick accumulations of higher resistivities in the TMS align with the Tuscaloosa Fairway. The Tuscaloosa sands and the TMS appear to be part of the same hydrocarbon system. The hydrocarbon source for the Tuscaloosa sands has been determined to be from a combination of Lower Cretaceous, Tuscaloosa shales, and the TMS. The regional structure might provide some insight into the burial history of the TMS. The higher resistivities along the Tuscaloosa Fairway provide evidence for a substantial “hydrocarbon kitchen.” The Tuscaloosa Fairway being positioned in between two significant tectonic features will have likely experienced a different burial history and subsequent thermal maturity than the regions to the east and west. The region of higher resistivities would provide support for this hypothesis.





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AAPG Annual Convention & Exhibition (ACE)	10–13 April Houston, TX	22–25 April Long Beach, CA	19–22 May Pittsburgh, PA	6–9 April Houston, TX	31 May–3 June Denver, CO
AAPG International Conference & Exhibition (ICE)	23–26 October Milan, Italy	September Singapore	8–11 September Cartagena, Colombia		
AAPG Prospect & Property Expo-London (APPEX)	1–3 March London, UK	6–8 March London, UK			
AAPG Annual Leadership Conference	12–14 August Boulder, CO				
AAPG Foundation Trustee Associates	7–11 September Lake Tahoe, CA	28 Oct–1 Nov Scottsdale, AZ			
AAPG European Region Conference					
AAPG Eastern Section	25–27 September Washington, D.C.	22–26 September Cleveland, OH			
AAPG Gulf Coast Section (GCAGS)	16–19 October Veracruz, Mexico	21–23 October Austin, TX	Sept–Oct TBD New Orleans, LA	Sept–Oct TBD Lafayette, LA	Sept–Oct TBD Houston, TX
AAPG Mid-Continent Section	1–4 October Oklahoma City, OK				
AAPG Pacific Section	9–11 May Anchorage, AK	22–25 April Long Beach, CA			
AAPG Rocky Mountain Section (RMS)	26–29 June Cheyenne, WY	9–12 September Grand Junction, CO	TBD Salt Lake City, UT	TBD Denver, CO	
AAPG Southwest Section	5–7 June Ruidoso, NM	19–22 May Ft. Worth, TX			
AAPG Polar Petroleum Potential (3P)	30 Aug–2 Sept Halifax, Nova Scotia				
American Association of Petroleum Landmen (AAPL) Annual Meeting	8–11 June Boston, MA				
Arctic Technology Conference (OTC) New!	7–9 February Houston, TX	3–5 December Houston, TX			
Asia Pacific Oil & Gas Conference (SPE)	20–22 September Jakarta, Indonesia	22–24 October Perth, Australia			
Association of Environmental & Engineering Geologists (AEG)	19–24 September Anchorage, AK	TBD Salt Lake City, UT	TBD Seattle, WA		
Canadian Society of Petroleum Geologists (CSPG), Canadian Society of Exploration Geoscientists (CSEG), & Canadian Well Logging Society (CWLS)	9–13 May Calgary, AB, Canada				
European Assoc. of Geoscientists and Engineers (EAGE)	23–26 May Vienna, Austria	4–7 June Copenhagen, Denmark	9–14 June London, UK		
GEO India — South Asian Geosciences Conference & Exhibition	12–14 January New Delhi, India	Not Held			
GEO Middle East Geosciences Conference and Exhibition	Not Held	4–7 March Bahrain	Not Held		
Geological Assoc. of Canada/ Mineralogical Assoc. of Canada Annual Meeting	25–27 May Ottawa, ON, Canada	27–29 May St. John's, NL, Canada	22–24 May Winnipeg, MB, Canada		
Geological Society of America (GSA)	9–12 October Minneapolis, MN	4–7 November Charlotte, NC	27–30 October Denver, CO		
IPTC – International Petroleum Technology Conference (AAPG/EAGE/SEG/SPE)	15–17 November Bangkok, Thailand	5–7 December Beijing, China	2–4 December Doha, Qatar	TBD Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia	
National Association of Black Geologists & Geophysicist (NABGG)	7–10 September San Francisco, CA				
NAPE – North American Prospect Expo (AAPL) – Winter	16–18 February Houston, TX	22–24 February Houston, TX			
NAPE – North American Prospect Expo (AAPL) – Summer	17–19 August Houston, TX				
OTC – Offshore Technology Conference (SPE)	2–5 May Houston, TX	30 April–3 May Houston, TX	6–9 May Houston, TX	5–8 May Houston, TX	
PETEX (PESGB)	Not Held				
Society of Exploration Geophysicists (SEG)	18–23 September San Antonio, TX	4–9 November Las Vegas, NV	22–27 September Houston, TX	26–31 October Denver, CO	
Society of Independent Earth Scientists (SIPES)	20–23 June Jackson Hole, WY				
Society of Petroleum Engineers (SPE)	30 Oct–2 Nov Denver, CO	8–10 October San Antonio, TX	30 Sept–2 Oct New Orleans, LA		
Society of Professional Well Log Analysts (SPWLA)	14–18 May Colorado Springs, CO				

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USGS TAPESTRY OF TIME AND TERRAIN <http://tapestry.usgs.gov> The CCGS is donating to all of the 5th and 6th grade schools in the Coastal Bend. Check it out—it is a spectacular map. You might want a framed one for your own office. The one in my office has glass and a metal frame, and it cost \$400 and it does not look as good as the ones we are giving to the schools. Call Owen 510-6224 if you want one for your office for \$150. Duncan, Mike, Chris, Dave, Bob Randy, Seb., Kevin, Ken, Craig, Patrick, Robert.

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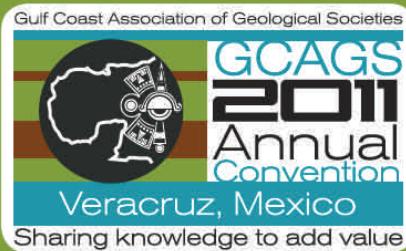
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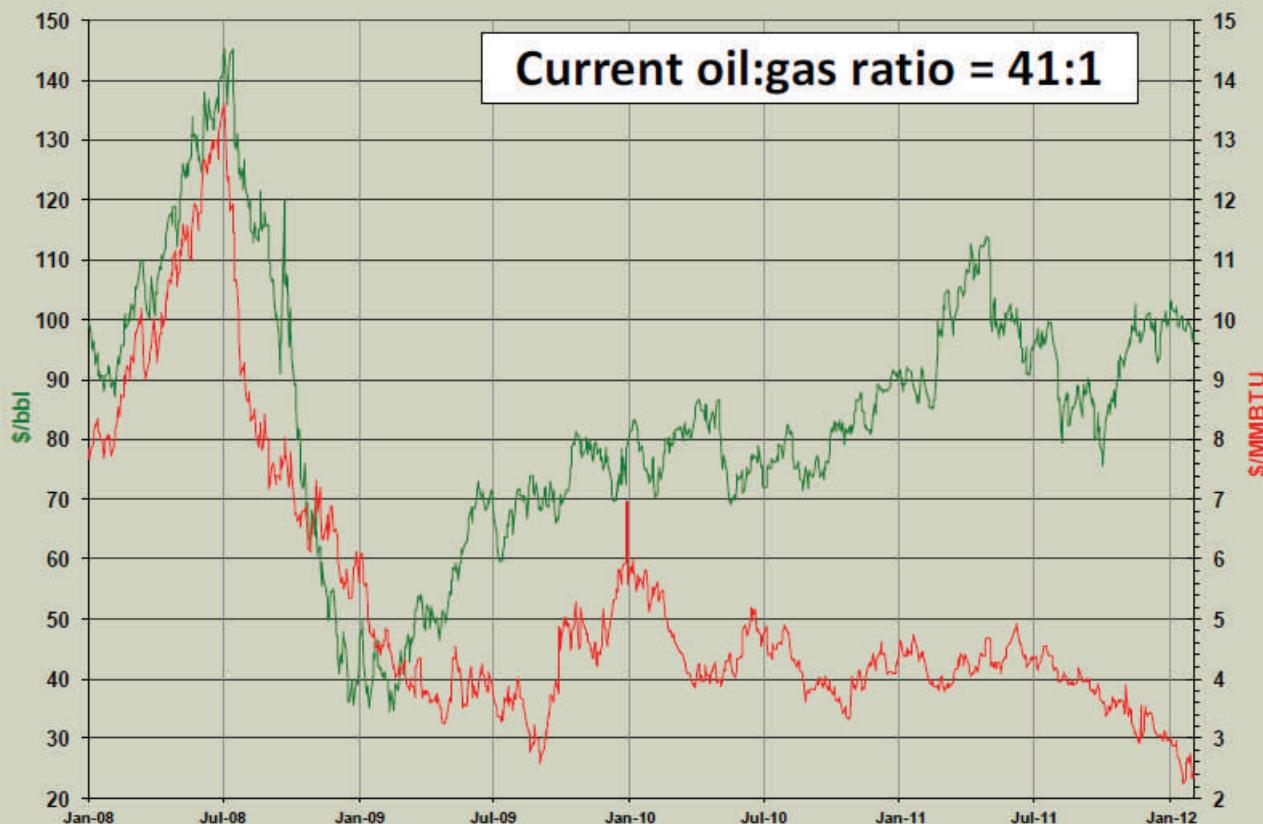
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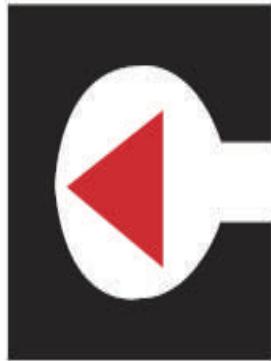
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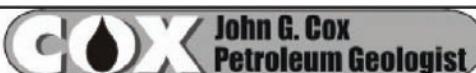


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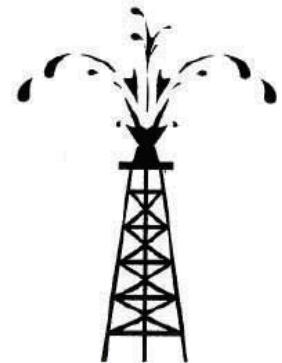
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