

NPD – exploration drilling result

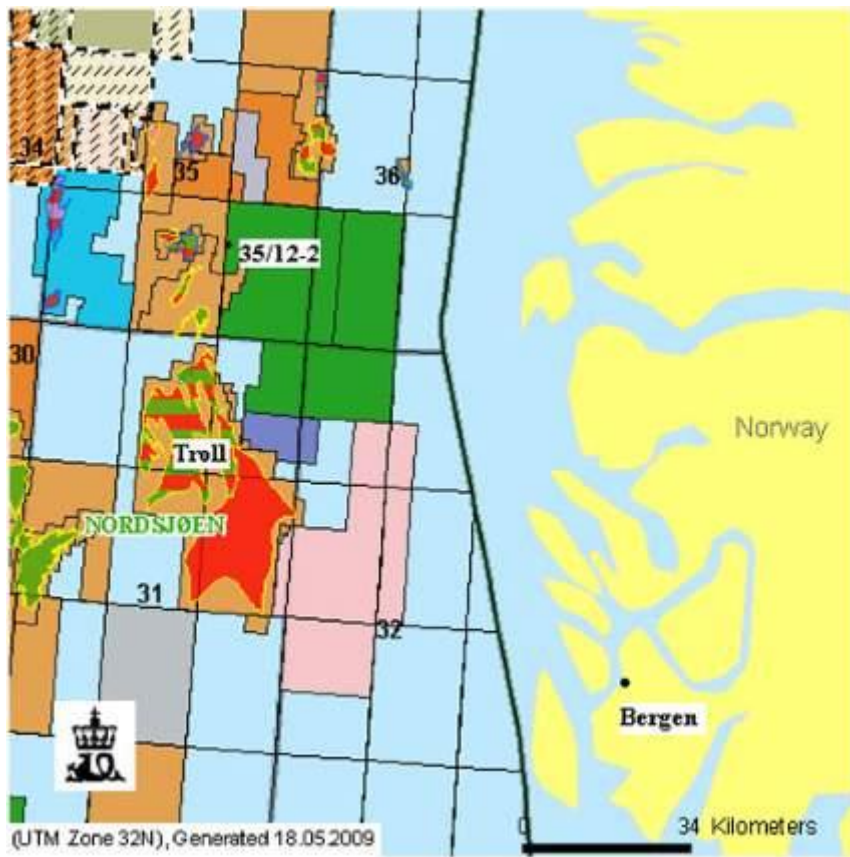
20/05/2009 The Norwegian Petroleum Directorate has granted Wintershall Norge ASA a drilling permit for wellbore 35/12-2, cf. Section 8 of the Resource Management Regulations.

Wellbore 35/12-2 will be drilled from the drilling facility *Songa Delta* at position 61° 09' 59.656' North and 03° 40' 13.340" East, after conclusion of well 30/8-A-21 AH for StatoilHydro Petroleum AS in production licence 190.

The drilling program for wellbore 35/12-2 applies to drilling of a wildcat well in production licence 378. Wintershall Norge ASA is the operator with a 40% ownership interest. Other licensees are Premier Oil Norge AS, Norwegian Energy Company ASA and Spring Energy Norway AS each with a 20% interest. The area in this production licence consists of parts of block 35/12, as well as the western section of 36/10. The licence was awarded in APA 2005. This is the first well to be drilled in this licence.

The drilling permit is granted on the condition that all other permits and consents required by other authorities have been secured before the drilling activity commences.

See [Factpages](#) for more information about this wellbore.



35/12-2

08/07/2009 Wintershall Norge ASA, operator of production licence 378, has concluded the drilling of wildcat well 35/12-2. The well, which proved oil and gas, was drilled in the North Sea, ten kilometres northeast of the Fram field and 85 kilometres southwest of Florø.

The objective of the well was to prove petroleum in the Sognefjord and Fensfjord formations in Upper Jurassic rocks and in the Brent group in Middle Jurassic rocks.

The well proved oil and gas in the Sognefjord formation and oil in the Brent group. Extensive data acquisition and sampling have been carried out in both reservoir zones.

The size of the discoveries in the two reservoirs is estimated at a total of between 6 and 30 million standard cubic metres (Sm³) of recoverable oil equivalents.

Well 35/12-2 was drilled to a vertical depth of 2512 m below the sea surface and was terminated in the Rannoch formation in the Middle Jurassic. The well will be permanently plugged and abandoned.

The well was drilled in 360 metres of water by the *Songa Delta* drilling facility which will now move to production licence 380 in the Norwegian Sea to drill wildcat well 6407/2-4, operated by Det norske oljeselskap.

Licensees in [production licence 378](#)

