

NPD – exploration drilling result

24/07/2009 The Norwegian Petroleum Directorate has granted Det norske oljeselskap ASA a drilling permit for wellbore 6609/10-2, cf. Section 8 of the Resource Management Regulations.

Wellbore 6609/10-2 will be drilled from the *Songa Delta* drilling facility at position 66°02`29" N and 09°03`06" E.

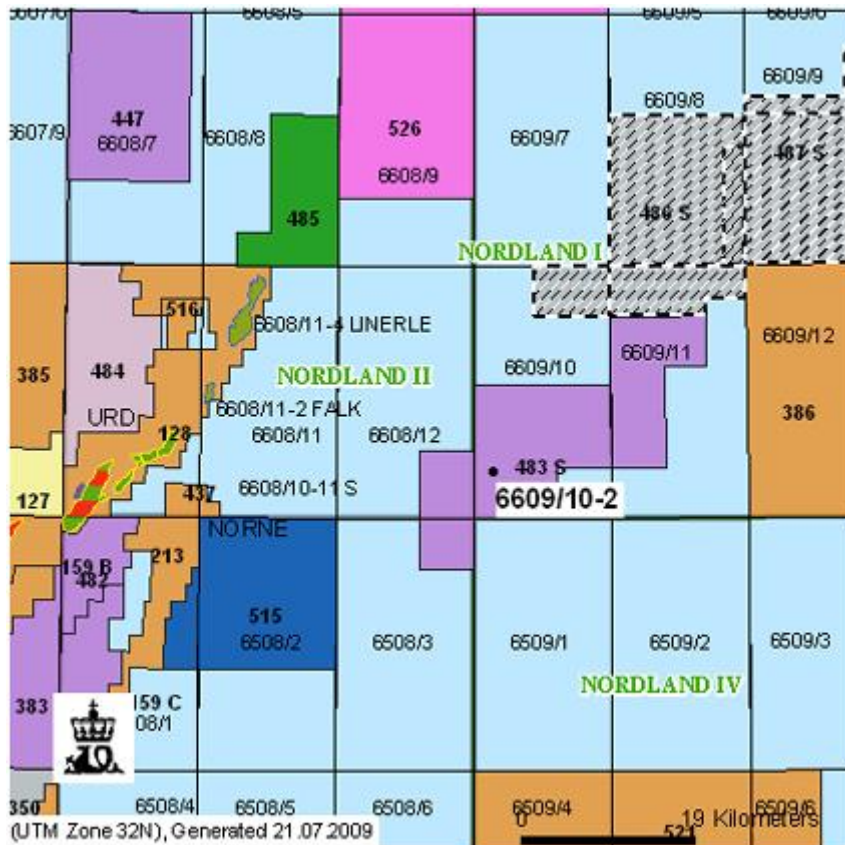
The drilling program for wellbore 6609/10-2 relates to the drilling of a wildcat well in production licence 483 S. Det norske oljeselskap ASA is the operator, with an ownership interest of 40 per cent. The partners are Discover Petroleum AS (30 per cent) and Dana Petroleum Norway AS (30 per cent).

Well 6609/10-2 will be drilled about 45 km east of the Norne field in the Norwegian Sea. The production licence consists of parts of blocks 6508/3, 6608/12, 6609/10 and 6609/11. Production licence 483 S was awarded in APA 2007.

Wildcat well 6609/10-2 is the first well in production licence 483 S.

The drilling permit is conditional on the operator securing all other permits and consents required by other authorities before the drilling activity commences.

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



6609/10-2

25/09/2009 Det Norske Oljeselskap ASA, operator in production licence 483 S, has concluded the drilling of wildcat well 6609/10-2.

The well, which was dry, was drilled in the Helgeland basin, and is located 45 kilometres east of the Norne field and 162 kilometres west of Sandnessjøen.

The objective of the well was to prove petroleum in the reservoir rocks in the Lower Jurassic (the Båt group). The well encountered reservoir rocks with expected thickness and good reservoir quality.

The well is the first exploration well in [production licence 483 S](#). The licence was awarded on 26 February 2008 (APA 2007).

The well was drilled to a total vertical depth of 2 499 metres below the sea surface, and was terminated in Upper Triassic rocks ("Red Beds"). The well will be permanently plugged and abandoned.

Well 6609/10-2 was drilled at a water depth of 265 metres by the drilling facility *Songa Delta* which now will proceed to production licence 375 in the North Sea to drill wildcat well 34/4-11 where Petro-Canada Norge AS is the operator.

