

NPD – exploration drilling result

25/10/2010 The Norwegian Petroleum Directorate has granted Eni Norge ASA a drilling permit for well 7120/12-5, cf. Section 8 of the Resource Management Regulations.

Wellbore 7210/12-5 will be drilled from the drilling facility Polar Pioneer at position 71°11'57.99" north and 20°54'54.57" east.

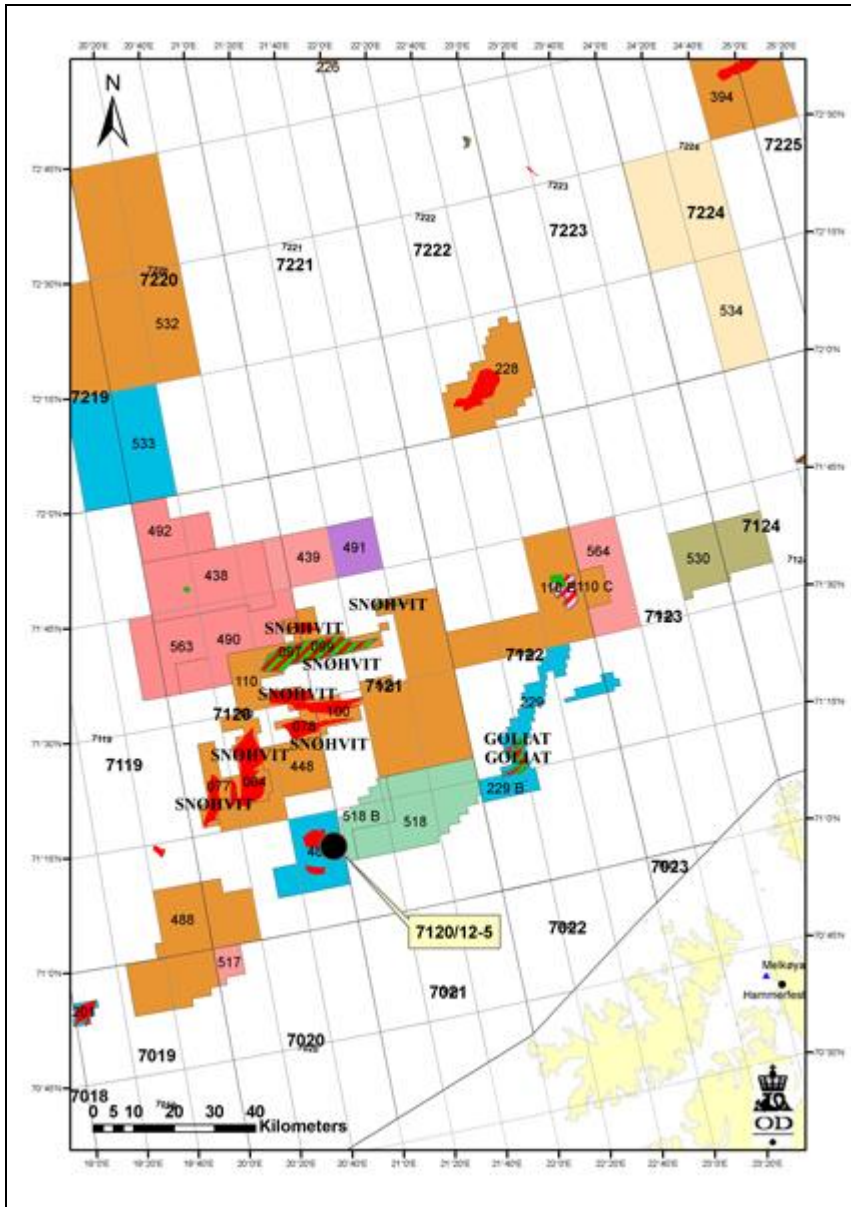
The drilling programme for wellbore 7210/12-5 applies to the drilling of a wildcat well in production licence 489. The following licensees are presently registered in the Petroleum Register: Eni Norway AS is the operator with 40 per cent ownership interest. The other licensees are Statoil Petroleum AS (40 per cent) and Petoro AS (20 per cent). The area covered in this licence consists of the blocks 7120/11-1 and 7120/12-2.

The well will be drilled in the Barents Sea about 50 km from Goliat and 78 km from shore (Sørøya).

Production licence 489 was awarded on 29 February 2008 (APA 2007). This is the first well drilled in the licence.

The permit is conditional upon 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.



7120/12-5

05/01/2011 Eni Norge AS, operator of production licence 489, is in the process of completing the drilling of wildcat well 7120/12-5 in the Barents Sea.

The well has been drilled about 115 kilometres northwest of Hammerfest and about 50 kilometres west of the Goliat field.

The purpose of the well was to prove petroleum in Jurassic and Triassic reservoir rocks (the Stø, Snadd and Kobbe formations).

Reservoir rocks with medium reservoir quality were encountered both in the Stø and Snadd formations, but the Kobbe formation was poorer than expected. The well was classified as dry. Comprehensive data acquisition and sampling have been carried out.

The well is the first exploration well in [production licence 489](#). The production licence was awarded in APA 2007 on 29 February 2008.

The well was drilled to a vertical depth of 3605 metres below sea level, and was terminated 60 metres into the Kobbe formation. Water depth at the site is 187 metres. The well will now be permanently plugged and abandoned.

Well 7120/12-5 S was drilled by the *Polar Pioneer* drilling facility, which will now proceed to production licence 488 in the Barents Sea to drill wildcat well 7119/12-4, where Statoil Petroleum AS is the operator.

