

## NPD – exploration drilling result

02/07/2015 The Norwegian Petroleum Directorate (NPD) has granted Premier Oil Norge AS a drilling permit for well 3/7-10 S, cf. Section 8 of the Resource Management Regulations.

The well will be drilled from the *Mærsk Guardian* drilling facility in position 56°27'10.62" north and 4°04'46.18" east.

The drilling programme for well 3/7-10 S relates to the drilling of a wildcat well in production licence 539. Premier Oil Norge AS is the operator with an ownership interest of 40 per cent. The other licensees are Suncor Energy Norge AS (20 per cent), DEA Norge AS (12 per cent) and Ithaca Petroleum Norge AS (eight per cent).

Production licence 539 was awarded in APA 2009.

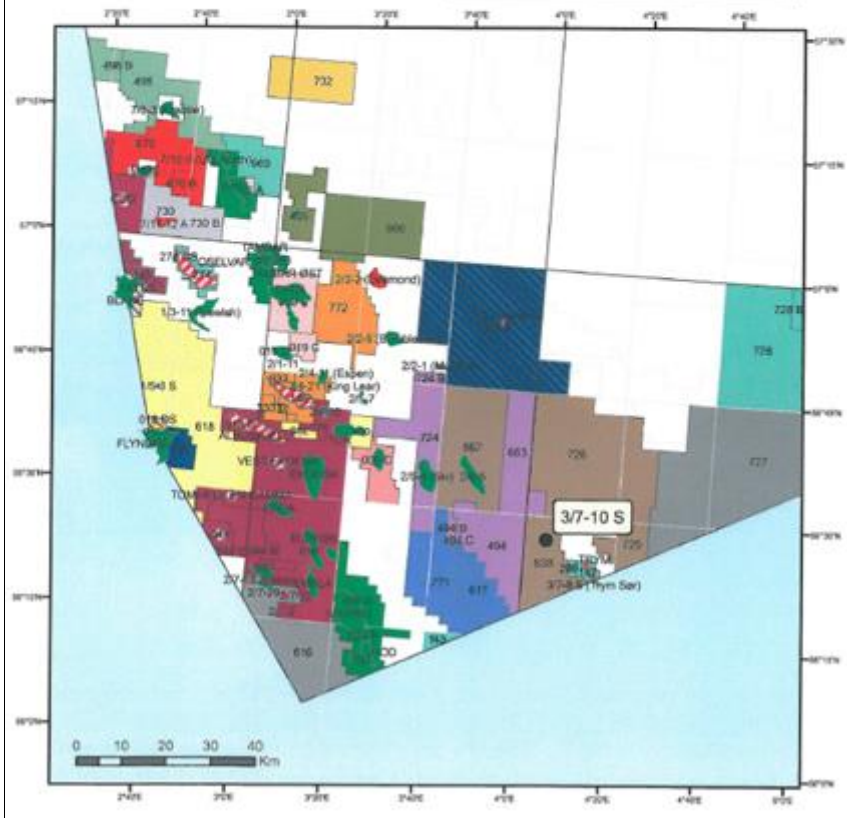
The area in the production license is located in the southern part of the North Sea, in the western part of the border block 3/7. Well 3/7-10 S is the first exploration well in this production licence.

The permit is contingent 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.



Undersøkellesbrønn  
3/7-10 S  
Utvinningsløyve  
539



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## 3/7-10 S

03/09/2015 Premier Oil Norge AS, operator of production licence 539, is in the process of completing the drilling of wildcat well 3/7-10 S.

The well has been drilled about 45 kilometres northeast of the Valhall field in the southern section of the North Sea and 300 kilometres southwest of Stavanger.

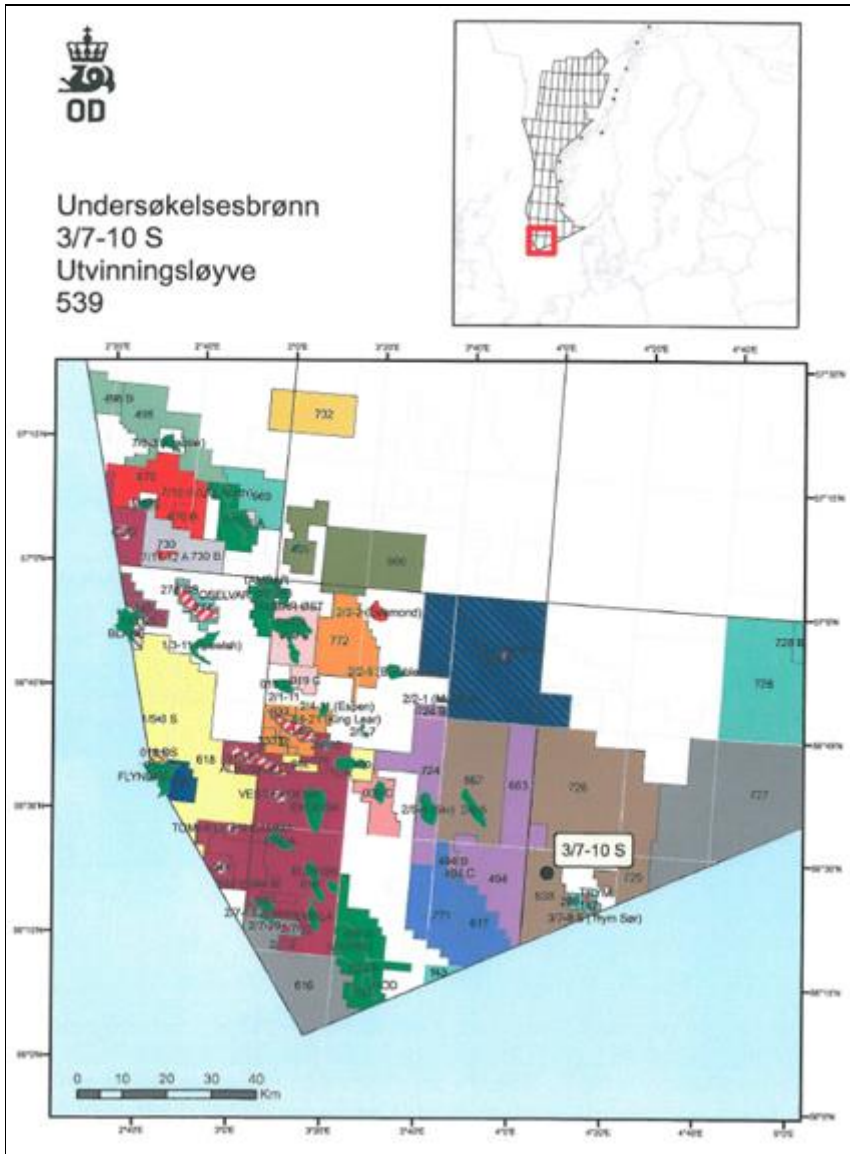
The purpose with the well was to prove petroleum in the Upper and Middle Jurassic reservoir rocks (the Ula and Bryne formations). The well did not encounter the Ula formation. The Bryne formation was encountered with a thickness of about 110 metres, of which 45 metres with moderate reservoir quality. The well is dry.

Data acquisition and sampling were carried out. The well is the first exploration well in [production licence 539](#), awarded in APA 2009.

Well 3/7-10 S was drilled to a measured and vertical depth of 3511 and 3464 metres below sea level, respectively, and was terminated in the Skagerrak formation in the Upper Triassic.

The water depth at the site is 68.5 metres. The well will now be permanently plugged and abandoned.

The well was drilled by the drilling facility *Mærsk Guardian*, which now will proceed to Fredrikshavn to be laid up.



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