

Monthly Update

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Gear is pleased to provide the following key operational and financial information for investors:

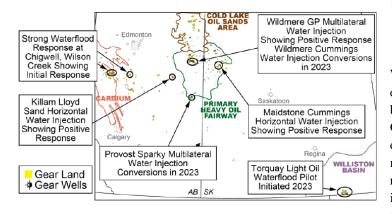
	Q3 22	Q4 22	2022 TD	Q1 23	Q2 23	Jul-23	Aug-23	Sep-23	Q3 23	2023 TD
WTI Benchmark Price (\$US/bbl)	91.55	82.65	94.23	76.13	73.78	76.03	81.32	89.43	82.26	77.39
WCS Heavy Oil Differential (\$US/bbl)	(19.89)	(25.42)	(18.16)	(24.76)	(15.06)	(11.91)	(11.19)	(15.58)	(12.89)	(17.57)
MSW Light Oil Differential (US\$/bbl)	(2.05)	(1.61)	(1.78)	(2.86)	(2.96)	(2.40)	(0.80)	(2.30)	(1.83)	(2.55)
Funds from Operations (\$MM)	22.5	18.7	93.8	13.0	17.1	6.5	6.6	7.9	21.0	51.1
Capital and Abandonment Expenditures (\$MM)	17.7	20.3	56.8	18.4	8.3	4.8	5.0	4.8	14.6	41.3
Net Surplus (Debt) (\$MM)	7.0	(2.2)	(2.2)	(15.3)	(14.3)	(15.3)	(15.0)	(13.3)	(13.3)	(13.3)
Production (boe/d)	5,727	5,755	5,739	5,952	5,742	5,509	5,408	5,620	5,511	5,733

Note: All items are based on estimates; actuals will vary from estimates due to accruals and adjustments. Such variances may be material.

In November of 2022 we provided a high level update on all the enhanced recovery water flood projects at Gear. At the time, approximately 11 per cent of Gear's total production was currently being supported by water flooding. Just in case you don't know what that means, essentially within various oil fields across the Gear portfolio we are injecting water back into the reservoir in an attempt to pressure up the adjacent producing wells and increase the ultimate oil recovered.

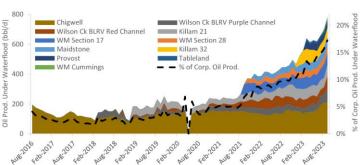
Now that we are almost a year later, and we officially have water going into all three of our core areas it seems like a good time to update the status of these projects.

A snapshot of Gear's core water floods are highlighted on the map below.



There is now water being injected into multiple Belly River light oil channels in Central Alberta, into the light oil Torquay formation in Southeast Saskatchewan, into the medium oil properties at Killam and Provost and into multiple heavy oil assets within the Lloydminster heavy oil fairway. This is quite an accomplishment, especially considering the fact that Gear essentially had nothing under water flood back in early 2016.

The next chart shows the historical and current production from all of these areas. The portion of each asset that is adjacent to the water injection is added to the chart as soon as injection starts. This demonstrates a compounding effect of increasing exposure of assets to flooding as well as the production inclines seen as they eventually respond. With approximately 800 bbl/d of oil currently coming from these key areas, over 17 per cent of total Gear oil production is now being pressure supported by water floods.



While achieving a competitive rate of return on the capital employed (which we regard as a critical measure), there are other benefits that come along with water floods. Over the last few years, Gear has demonstrated a gradual shallowing of the corporate decline profile as well as a steady increase in the annual measurement of the reserves life index. This ultimately should reduce the amount of capital required to keep production flat, thus increasing the amount of cash flow available to dedicate to other opportunities.

The current budget for 2023 includes an estimated \$6.5 million of investments towards water flood expansions, almost all of which are now complete and fully operational. And although the 2024 budget has not yet been released, in light of the success to date, investors should not be surprised to see continued efforts and investment directed towards further expansion of these long-term sustainability focused opportunities.

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Barrel of oil equivalent ("boe") used in the monthly updates have been based on a conversion ratio of 1 barrel of oil to 6 thousand cubic feet of natural gas. A boe may be misleading, particularly if used in isolation, as such conversion ratio is based on an energy equivalency conversion method primarily applicable at the burner tip and does not represent a value equivalency at the wellhead.