

Exploration Highlights & News

(Oct 9, 2025) - **Evenson Auctioneers, Inc** announces its next Oil & Gas Assets Auction will be held on Thursday, November 6, 2025 at the Terradyne Country Club, 1400 Terradyne Drive, in Andover, Kansas. The auction will begin at 2:00 p.m. Wells with working and non-working interests and ORRI, as well as other assets will be sold. If you have properties to sell, contact by email, mark@evensonauctions.com. For more information, call Mark at 316-683-7733, or visit website at www.EvensonAuctions.com, for complete details.

(Oct 9, 2025) - **2025 Active Operators, Western Ranges** - The top operators in the Western Ranges of the State (1W-42W), based on total footage drilled on completed wells through the first three quarters in 2025, include: **Merit Energy Co.** (19 wells - 105,573 ft), **BEREXCO** (15 wells - 66,317 ft), **Shakespeare Oil Co.** (12 wells - 56,203 ft), **Murfin Drilling Co.** (10 wells - 53,700 ft), **American Warrior** (9 wells - 43,758 ft), **Ritchie Exploration** (9 wells - 36,543 ft), **Mull Drilling Co.** (7 wells - 35,910 ft), **Darrah Oil Co.** (9 wells - 33,531 ft), **Mai Oil Operations** (8 wells - 29,928 ft), **Carmen Schmitt, Inc.** (6 wells - 29,712 ft), **Patterson Energy, LLC** (7 wells - 26,808 ft), **Downing - Nelson Oil Co.** (6 wells - 26,597 ft), and **Grand Mesa Operating Co.** (6 wells - 26,395 ft).

(Oct 2, 2025) - **M G Oil, Inc.**, located in Russell, Kansas, has established a new oil field in Gove County with the completion of the #1-9 Stephens well. This well is situated in approximately NE SE NW NE of Section 9-11s-30W, about three-quarters of a mile southwest of Grinnell, Kansas. Production is sourced from the Lansing-Kansas City formation. Details regarding the completion are being kept confidential, and the total depth of the well is 4,615 feet. The nearest production site is about three-quarters of a mile to the south in the LO-RI pool, which has yielded over 31,000 barrels of oil from the LKC and Marmaton formations from two wells since 2003. (Ref: API 15-063-22474)

(Sept 25, 2025) - **Murfin Drilling Company**, of Wichita, Kansas, reports the discovery of new Lansing - Kansas City oil reserves at their #1-20 Vogler, located in approximately S/2 NE SE SE in section 20-11s-33W in Logan County. The wildcat discovery well was drilled to a rotary total depth of 4,755 feet over one mile northwest of LKC (H & J zones) and Cherokee (Johnson Zone) oil production in the Hubert pool. Completion information remains confidential. The new pool has not been named. Field area lies one and one-half miles south of the town of Monument, Kansas. (Ref: API 15-109-21690)

(Sept 11, 2025) - A **Kansas Geological Society’s Nomenclature Committee** meeting was held in Wichita, Kansas on September 10, 2025, whereby, in association with the Kansas Corporation Commission (KCC) and the Kansas Geological Survey, they recognized and named two new oil fields in Kansas. The new field discoveries are based on completed wells reported in August 2025.

NEW FIELD DISCOVERIES

County	Field Name	Operator	Lease	S-T-R / Otr	Type	Pay Zn	API
Logan	Hubert North	Murfin Drilling Company	1-16 Ahrens A	16-11s-33W, SE/4	Oil	Cher	15-109-21689
Ness	Franklin East	Elevate Energy LTD	1-32 Miner Trust	32-19s-23W, SE/4	Oil	Cher	15-135-26234

(Sept 4, 2025) - **Murfin Drilling Company**, located in Wichita, Kansas, has reported the discovery of Cherokee (Johnson Zone) oil reserves at the #1-16 Ahrens A well. This well is spotted in the ~ NW SE SE SE of section 16-11S-33W in Logan County. It was drilled to a total depth of 4,765 feet within the Mississippian formation. Completion details for the well are currently being kept confidential. The new “Hubert North” pool is located nearly three-quarters of a mile southwest of similar reserves found in the “Cook West” pool, which was established by BEREXCO LLC earlier this year. Murfin’s Ahrens A lease is situated one and a half miles southeast of Monument, Kansas. (Ref: API 15-109-21689)

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(Aug 28, 2025) - **Elevate Energy LTD**, of Elizabeth (CO), has discovered Cherokee Sand oil reserves at a step-out well spotted nearly three-quarters of a mile northeast of similar oil production in the “Franklin Southeast” pool (established 1985) in Ness County. The discovery well, #1-32 Miner, is isolated from the infield production by two dry holes. The new oil field has been named the “Franklin East” pool. The #1-32 Miner Trust was drilled to a total depth of 4,470 feet, about five and one-quarter miles south of Ness City, Kansas, in ~NW SW NE SE of section 32-19s-23W. Completion details are confidential. (Ref: API 15-135-26234)

(Aug 7, 2025) - The 31st Edition of the **INDEPENDENT OIL & GAS DIRECTORY OF KANSAS** for 2025-2026, commonly known as the “Red Book,” is now available. The 458-page directory provides an alphabetized “General Listing” of professionals and companies operating within the oil and gas sector in Kansas. Each entry includes complete contact information along with a convenient yellow-page Service Index that guides you to companies by types of services and equipment. **To order your Red Book**, please contact John Morrison at (316) 263-8281 or via email at jmorrison@iogsi.com. The price is \$89 per book (including tax), plus an additional \$9.95 for shipping and handling. Major credit cards are accepted for your convenience.

(July 31, 2025) - A **Kansas Geological Society’s Nomenclature Committee** meeting was held in Wichita, Kansas on July 30, 2025, whereby, in association with the Kansas Corporation Commission (KCC) and the Kansas Geological Survey, they recognized and named five new oil fields in Kansas. The new field discoveries are based on completed wells reported in June and July 2025.

NEW FIELD DISCOVERIES

County	Field Name	Operator	Lease	S-T-R / Otr	Type	Pay Zn	API
Gove	LO-RI NE	M G Oil	1-9 Schultz	9-11s-30W, SE/4	Oil	LKC	15-063-22469
Gove	Tustin NW	US Oil Resources LLC	11C-25-1329 Beougher	25-13s-29W, SW/4	Oil	Marm	15-063-22467
Graham	Millbrook NE	Darrah Oil Co. LLC	1-15 Billips Unit	15-8s-23W, SW/4	Oil	LKC	15-065-24326
Logan	Hubert North	Murfin Drilling Co.	1-16 Ahrens A	16-11s-33W, SE/4	Oil	Pay na	15-109-21689
Sheridan	McFadden West	Castle Resources	1 Kennedy D OWWO	5-9s-27W, SW/4	Oil	LKC	15-179-20290-0001

(July 24, 2025) - **2025 Drilling Contractors, East Kansas** - The top drillers in the Eastern Ranges of the State (1E-25E), as based on the total footage drilled to total depth during the first six months in 2025, include: **RJ Energy** (78 wells - 77,103 feet), **Colt Energy** (27 wells - 27,223 feet), **McGown Drilling** (23 wells - 23,485 feet), **C & G Drilling** (7 wells - 16,368 feet), **TDR Construction** (14 wells - 10,961 feet), **Thornton Air Rotary** (6 wells - 7,083 feet), **Steven A. Leis** (6 wells - 6,940 feet), **Utah Oil** (8 wells - 5,432 feet), **Owens Petroleum Services** (3 wells - 4,279 feet), and **Hat Drilling** (3 wells - 4,258 feet).

(July 17, 2025) - **2025 Drilling Contractors, West Kansas** - The top drillers in the Western Ranges of the State (1W-42W), as based on total footage drilled to total depth during the first six months in 2025, are: **Duke Drilling Co.** (50 wells - 223,155 feet), **Murfin Drilling Co.** (25 wells - 121,783 feet), **Southwind Drilling** (15 wells - 55,033 feet), **Discovery Drilling** (14 wells - 51,786 feet), **Pickrell Drilling** (13 wells, - 50,908 feet), **Sterling Drilling** (12 wells - 47,840 feet), **Fossil Drilling** (7 wells - 32,248 feet), **L D Drilling** (5 wells - 24,793 feet), and **STP Drilling** (3 wells - 12,570 feet).

(July 10, 2025) - **2025 Active Operators, Eastern Ranges** - The top ten operators in the Eastern Ranges of the State (1E-25E), as based on total footage drilled on completed wells during the first six months in 2025 are: **RJ Energy** (82 wells - 82,537 feet), **Colt Energy** (27 wells - 27,223 feet), **AGV Corp.** (3 wells - 12,412 feet), **HYT Operating** (2 wells - 10,453 feet), **VAL Energy** (3 wells - 9,906 feet), **RH Capital-Beets** (11 wells - 9,500 feet), **L & A Energy** (8 wells - 7,200 feet), **MLT Energy** (2 wells - 6,709 feet), **Altavista Energy** (6 wells - 6,609), and **Utah Oil** (9 Wells - 6,533).