

Implementation of CO₂-Polymer flooding for Enhancing the recovery of Lloydminster Heavy Oil Reservoir.

Background

- Heavy oil reserves were previously considered economically unviable to extract.
- Technological advancements and depletion of conventional reserves have led to increased interest in exploiting these resources.
- The Landrose project in Saskatchewan focuses on the Lloydminster formation within the Big Gully North field.
- Water flooding was initially used for oil extraction but resulted in increased water cut and productivity declined due to high oil viscosity.
- In 2018 project implemented polymer flooding for Enhanced oil recovery, becoming the first in the area.
- The project comprises seven wells: Three injectors and four producers.



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References

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Objectives

- The main objective Of CO_2 -Polymer flooding is to use an optimal combination of CO_2 and Polymer to enhance the heavy oil recovery rate, elevate the heavy oil production and extend the viability of reservoirs with heavy oil deposits.
- Using CMG generate polymer flooding model, CO_2 flooding model and CO_2 -polymer flooding model and compare the results.

Engineering Design

Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Phase 4	Phase 5	Phase 6
Data Gathering	Correlation and calculate parameters	Use Winprop To build a Fluid Model	Make a relative Permeability Table	CMG-Stars to build a Geological Model	Set injection Parameters and Run Simulation

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Material Injected	Injection Date	Injecton Time (Days)	Total injection	Cost	Cumulative Oil in bb	I Oil Revenue	Gross Profit
CO2 (Tonnes)	2022-03-02	365	18,012	\$ 1,440,932	114,9	923 \$ 12,641,530	\$ 11,200,600
Polymer (kg)	2023-03-02	31	16,077	\$ 41,157	7,9	959 \$ 875,490	\$ 834,330
CO2 (Tonnes)	2023-04-02	365	18,012	\$ 1,440,932	91,3	378 \$ 10,051,580	\$ 8,610,650
Polymer (kg)	2024-04-02	365	236,290	\$ 604,903	39,7	244 \$ 4,316,840	\$ 3,711,940
		Oil price/ bbl		\$110			
		Density Of CO2		1.8 Kg/m3			
		CO2 /ton		\$80			
		Pam polymer/ 1000Kg		\$2,560			





Simulation Result



 Analyzing historical polymer injection rates, injection rate increased over time. Although the increase in historical injection rates was inconsistent, this method will help to predict the injection rate changes in future.



• The results of simulation projects using different polymer injection amounts are shown in the red and blue curve in the figure. The simulation experiment results of pure CO_2 injection are shown in the green curve. The best economic evaluation results were found from polymer flooding, CO_2 flooding, CO_2 - polymer flooding injection.

Conclusion



- The best economic benefit method has been shown through economic analysis results that CO₂ polymer flooding will create more economic benefits.
- The total cumulative oil production of polymer flooding and CO₂-Polymer flooding has the largest gap of 44,009 barrel in 2024.

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