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TIME- AND DEPTH-STRUCTURE MAP

# INVINCIBLE POINT MEMBER CHRISTOPHER FORMATION

Sabine Peninsula, Melville Island  
Nunavut—Northwest Territories



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Permian sandstone hoodoos, Sabine Peninsula, Melville Island, Nunavut. Photograph by T.A. Brent. 2013-242

## **ABSTRACT**

Sabine Peninsula of Melville Island was the subject of an oil and gas exploration boom from 1961 to 1985, during which time seismic-reflection data were collected and wells were drilled. As a result, the two largest conventional natural gas fields in Canada were discovered.

Seismic-reflection methods use sound waves to image the internal structure of the Earth. Waves are emitted at the surface before being reflected back to the surface by geological interfaces and recorded. Modern analysis methods were used to reinvestigate existing seismic data. In doing so, eight seismic unit boundaries identified on seismic profiles in two-way traveltimes were correlated to the regional geological framework and gridded to provide subsurface maps. Each map approximates the structures preserved at that particular time or depth allowing the enhancement of the

geological knowledge of Sabine Peninsula and better delimitation of elements of the petroleum systems therein.

## RÉSUMÉ

La péninsule de Sabine de l'île de Melville a connu un boum d'exploration gazière et pétrolière entre 1961-1985 pendant lequel des données de sismique-réflexion furent acquises et des puits forés. Il en résultat la découverte des deux plus grands champs de gaz naturel conventionnels du Canada.

La sismique-réflexion utilise des ondes sonores pour imager la structure interne de la Terre. Les ondes sont émises en surface avant d'être réfléchies de nouveau vers la surface par des interfaces géologiques où elles sont enregistrées. Des méthodes d'analyse modernes furent utilisées pour ré-investiguer des données sismiques existantes. Ainsi, huit limites d'unités sismiques identifiées sur les profils sismiques en temps de parcours aller-retour furent corrélées au cadre géologique régional et maillées afin de produire des cartes de la sous-surface. Chaque carte est une approximation des structures préservées à un certain temps ou une certaine profondeur nous permettant d'améliorer les connaissances géologiques de la péninsule de Sabine et de mieux délimiter les éléments des systèmes pétroliers s'y trouvant.

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## **ABOUT THE GEOLOGY**

### **Descriptive Notes**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

The time- and depth-structure maps presented herein are part of an eight-map series of the subsurface of Sabine Peninsula spanning the Early Permian through Early Cretaceous interval.

These maps are the product of the application of modern geoscientific methods of processing and interpretation to a suite of legacy seismic-reflection data from onshore Sabine Peninsula (Melville Island, Western Arctic Islands). The resultant processed seismic lines were interpreted using the existing regional geological framework (see Harrison, 1995) by integrating existing regional well data, geophysical logs, age control, and lithological information through synthetic seismograms.

## REGIONAL SETTING

The Sabine Peninsula of Melville Island is located within the Sverdrup Basin in the Queen Elizabeth Islands of the western Arctic. The Sverdrup Basin extends for about 1300 km in a northeast-southwest direction and is up to 350 km wide. The basin contains up to 13 km of sedimentary strata (Embry and Beauchamp, 2008). The Sverdrup Basin is separated from the underlying Franklinian Basin by an unconformity at the base of the Carboniferous strata. The Franklinian Basin was superseded by widespread rifting following the Late Devonian–earliest Carboniferous Ellesmerian Orogeny. The resulting rift-related structural depression acted as a major depocentre from the Carboniferous through the Paleogene (Embry and Beauchamp, 2008). The Sverdrup Basin succession was uplifted and deformed during the early Cenozoic Eurekan Orogeny.

The surface geology of Melville Island is dominated by Lower Paleozoic strata of the Franklinian Basin. The Sabine Peninsula is an exception to this, as surface strata are part of the Sverdrup Basin. The geology of the Sabine Peninsula consists of deformed Late Carboniferous to Paleocene sandstone, siltstone, shale, and minor amounts of carbonate. Additionally, evaporitic rocks are exposed in two diapirs on northern Sabine Peninsula — the Barrow and Colquhoun domes, which consist of deformed anhydrite and gypsum. The strata of the Sverdrup Basin succession on Melville Island were deformed into a series of folds, including the Murray Harbour syncline in the northern part of the peninsula and the Drake Point anticline and the Marryatt Point syncline to the south (Harrison, 1994) (Fig. 1).

During a 1961 to 1985 phase of petroleum exploration, companies drilled 52 wells on Melville Island and surrounding waters (22 of which were on Sabine Peninsula) and acquired about 3,400 line-kilometres of onshore seismic-reflection data (Fig. 2).

Three separate gas fields were discovered in the Sabine Peninsula area: Drake Point, Hecla, and Roche Point. Feasibility studies for the development of the gas fields were conducted in the early 1980s; however, due to low gas prices and the lack of gas markets, the gas fields on Melville Island (and elsewhere in the Canadian Arctic) were not developed (Harrison, 1995).

## SEISMIC DATA SET AND PROCESSING

Data access was obtained through a Memorandum of Understanding signed in 1997 by the Geological Survey of Canada (GSC), Panarctic Oils, the Arctic Islands Exploration Group, and the Offshore Arctic Exploration Group joint-venture parties. The data sets consist of original land seismic-reflection field tapes transcribed from 21-, 7-, and 9-track media. Data were collected using a dynamite charge of 20–30 kg per shot at about 20 m below the surface. Shot-point spacing ranged from 67 m to 300 m, the shorter spacing being used for most surveys. The majority of the seismic-reflection data were recorded using 48- or 96-channel systems. Channel stations were generally deployed using nine receivers spaced at about 8 m and station intervals varying from 50 m to 70 m. The common-midpoint multiplicity of the data sets range from single to 12-fold coverage. The most common recording length was 6 s.

The processing consisted of three main steps: 1) principal component decomposition was used to remove both coherent and random noise, 2) data were migrated utilizing poststack Kirchhoff migration, and 3) seismic bandwidths were extended to increase vertical resolution (Claproot et al., 2011; Duchesne et al., 2012).

### *Velocity model*

A 3-D velocity model was built using about 1300 km of linear seismic data (78 lines) and 13 wells spread over an area of about 2800 km<sup>2</sup> (Fig. 2). The velocity model was then used for poststack migration processing and to convert seismic horizon surfaces from time to depth. The primary assumption behind the velocity model is that the coherent high-amplitude reflections that were picked to build the model correspond to important acoustic impedance contrasts caused by significant and abrupt velocity changes. This assumption was confirmed by tying seismic picks to well sonic logs (Duchesne et al., 2012). The geostatistical approach of kriging with an external drift (KED) was applied to both the reflection time of the picked seismic horizons and time-depth pairs derived from check shot data to compute the 3-D velocity field. Kriging interpolates values between the known positions based on weighted spatial correlations. The KED technique was specifically developed for the integration of seismic data into the kriging process where the number of wells is insufficient for the computation of adequate depth statistics (Hass and Dubrule, 1994). Hence, it uses the information provided by the time horizon picks to improve estimates where depth control is sparse. For seismic migration, root mean squared (RMS) velocity values are first estimated by KED from time-to-depth conversion of seismic horizon surfaces mapped as important velocity boundaries (Duchesne et al., 2012). Then, once the approximate depths of the surfaces are known, the interval velocities ( $V_{\text{int}}$ ) for all time intervals delimited by two consecutive horizons is computed from:

$$V_{\text{int}} = \frac{\Delta z_i}{\Delta t_i}$$

where  $z$  and  $t$  are the depth and time intervals between two successive horizons  $i$ . Once  $V_{\text{int}}$  is obtained the RMS velocity ( $V_{\text{rms}}$ ) is calculated using:

$$V_{\text{rms}} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{t_0} \sum_{i=1}^N V_{\text{int}}^2 \Delta t_i}$$

in which  $N$  is the total number of horizons and  $t_0$  is the sum of all time intervals.

## SEISMIC INTERPRETATION AND VISUALIZATION METHODS

Processed seismic lines were loaded into IHS-Kingdom® seismic and geological interpretation software. Prominent seismic-reflection horizons, tied to well formation-top

information, were manually correlated. Seed points were generated at seismic line intersections, thereby permitting the interpretation of adjacent lines.

The map would benefit from a detailed structural interpretation; however, confidence of this interpretation is minimized due to minor vertical offsets (about 0.1 s) attributed to faulting and the large line spacing. Thus reflections are readily identified across faults despite offset.

Time-structure maps of the key seismic horizons were computed using universal kriging. Universal kriging permits the interpolation of a nonstationary, random field by adding a term in the kriging equation that accommodates any linear trends present in a scattered point set (Chilès and Delfiner, 1999). Given that all picked horizons showed a strong linear trend for time versus depth over distance, universal kriging provided the best fit to the picked horizons.

## TIME TO DEPTH CONVERSION

All time surfaces are converted to depth using the following procedure. First  $V_{int}$  of the 3-D velocity model are calculated using Dix equation:

$$V_{int} = \left[ \frac{V_{n_{rms}}^2 t_n - V_{n-1_{rms}}^2 t_{n-1_{rms}}}{t_n - t_{n-1}} \right]^{1/2}$$

where  $t$  is the zero-offset arrival time of the nth reflection. Interval limits corresponded to seismic horizons that are picked and tied to geological interfaces. Then  $V_{int}$  are extracted from the velocity model along picked horizons. Velocity maps are then computed using Universal kriging at a cell size of 250 m. Finally, the time-structure surfaces of the various seismic horizons are converted to depth ( $Z$ ) using:

$$Z = \frac{V_{int}}{2} t$$

Because the depth-conversion process is a function of the velocity model, the lateral extent of depth maps is confined to the lateral extent of the model. The final depth-structure maps were imported into ArcGIS for visualization using the Arc extension Team-GIS KBridge.

## UNCERTAINTY

Quantifying the uncertainty of seismic subsurface maps is difficult since several sources of data, each with their unique level of uncertainty, are used in the map generation. Sources of error may arise from limitations in acquisition, processing, and interpretation. Moreover, seismic data are collected remotely and the images they provide are derived

from generalized mathematical and physical concepts. Constraints in acquisition that increase the uncertainty include gaps in coverage because of obstacles to source and receiver deployment, and effect of direction of shooting on data quality (Sheriff and Geldart, 1995). Processing errors may result from inadequate static corrections, inaccurate velocity analysis, and inappropriate parameter determination.

More specifically to this data set, errors may have also been introduced by the velocity model and the ability to tie formation tops to seismic horizons. The velocity model represents an estimation of the velocity fluctuations for which the accuracy depends on the number of wells and the good fit between time picks and corresponding depths at the well locations. A regression analysis shows that time picks and their corresponding depths at the wells have a strong linearity ( $r^2 = 0.98$ ), meaning that the use of time picks as the external drift in the kriging strategy is justified and trustworthy. Nevertheless, the uncertainty of the velocity model increases when the distance between the well and any points where velocity is predicted exceed the range of the variogram expressing the spatial dependence between depth and time. In the present case, the range of the different horizons is between 9.5 km and 34 km. The ability to tie formation tops to seismic horizons relies on the successful use of well sonic and density logs, since it is the contrast between the product of these properties for two successive geological layers that generates reflections recorded in seismic exploration. Formation tops used in this study are from Dewing and Embry (2007), for which they mainly utilized gamma-ray logs to position the upper limit of the formations in depth. Thus errors may have been introduced by projecting the formation tops on seismic sections recorded in time.

#### TIME- AND DEPTH-STRUCTURE DATA DISPLAY

The time- and depth-structure data shown on this map were gridded at a cell size of 250 m using Universal kriging. Each map presents a grid with a stretched colour ramp at 20% transparency. Time contours generated from the time-structure grids are shown in black at a 50 ms interval, whereas depth contours derived from the depth-structure grid are presented at 100 m intervals.

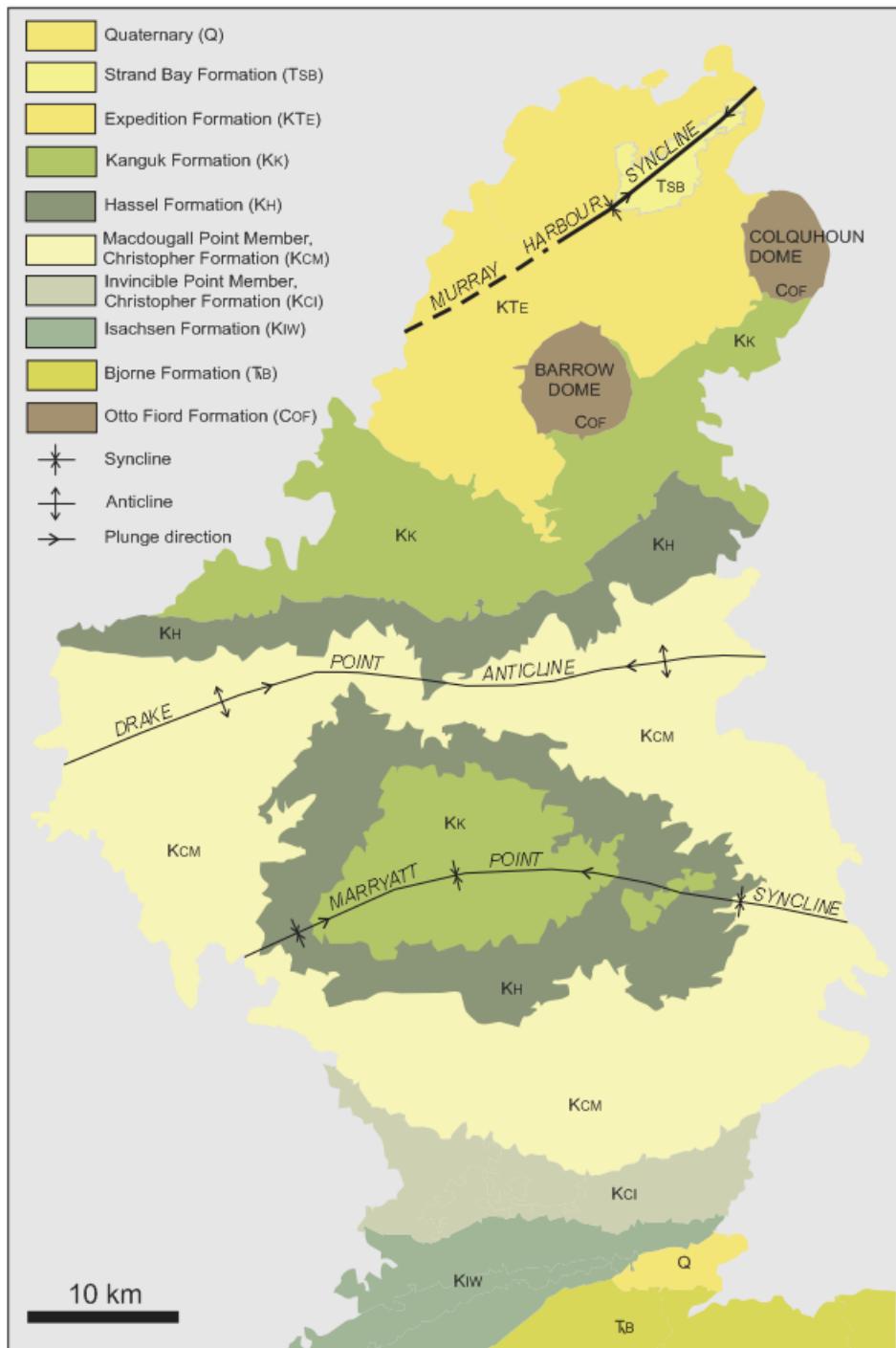


Figure 1. Generalized surface geology map of Sabine Peninsula (after Harrison, 1994) displaying sedimentary stratigraphic divisions.

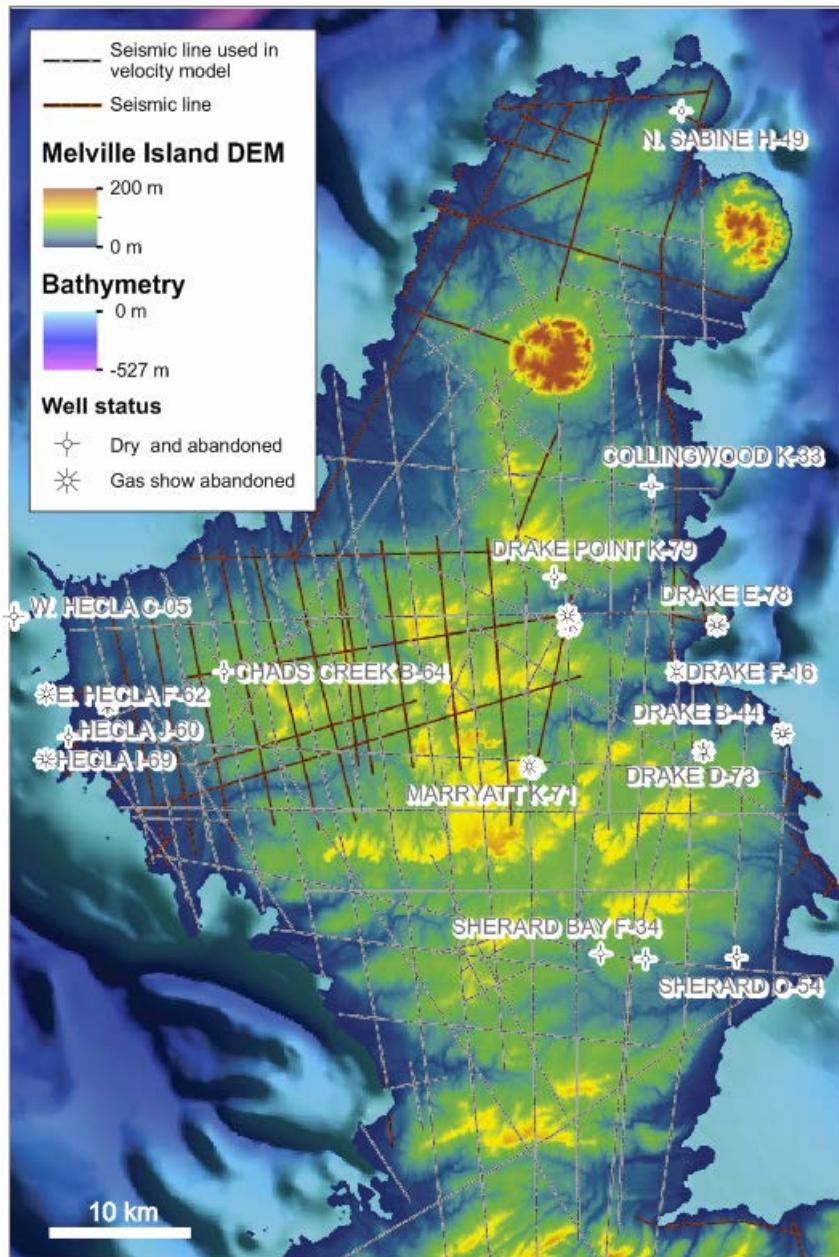


Figure 2. Distribution of available legacy data used in the subsurface interpretation of Sabine Peninsula. Bathymetry data were generated by combining bathymetry from offshore gravity surveys with the seafloor picks from 2-D seismic (T.A. Brent, unpub. data 2013).

## INVINCIBLE MAP DESCRIPTIONS

The Early Cretaceous Christopher Formation consists of shale, chert, carbonate, and olistostromes (Dewing and Embry, 2007, see also Fig. 3). Formation-top data indicate that the Christopher Formation is underlain exclusively by the Isachsen Formation. The Christopher Formation can be separated into the Macdougall Point and Invincible Point members (Dewing and Embry, 2007).

The mapped Invincible Formation reflection extends from north of Eldridge and Sherard bays to the Colouhoun Dome at the northern limit of the peninsula, but does not cover the entire width of the peninsula. The data gap west of Eden Bay marks the location of Barrow Dome. Two-way traveltimes of the Invincible Formation reflection increase northward from 37 ms to 1010 ms, or from 55 m to 1613 m. The slope of the horizon averages  $1.5^{\circ}$ , with the steeper slopes (up to  $7^{\circ}$ ) observed between the Drake Point anticline and the Barrow Dome, aligned roughly parallel to the axis of the Murray Harbour syncline. The primary dip azimuth of the grid is to the north with two exceptions: 1) where it crosses the Drake Point anticline and Marryatt Point syncline, and 2) the area of northwest dip found of the Murray Harbour syncline (Harrison, 1994).

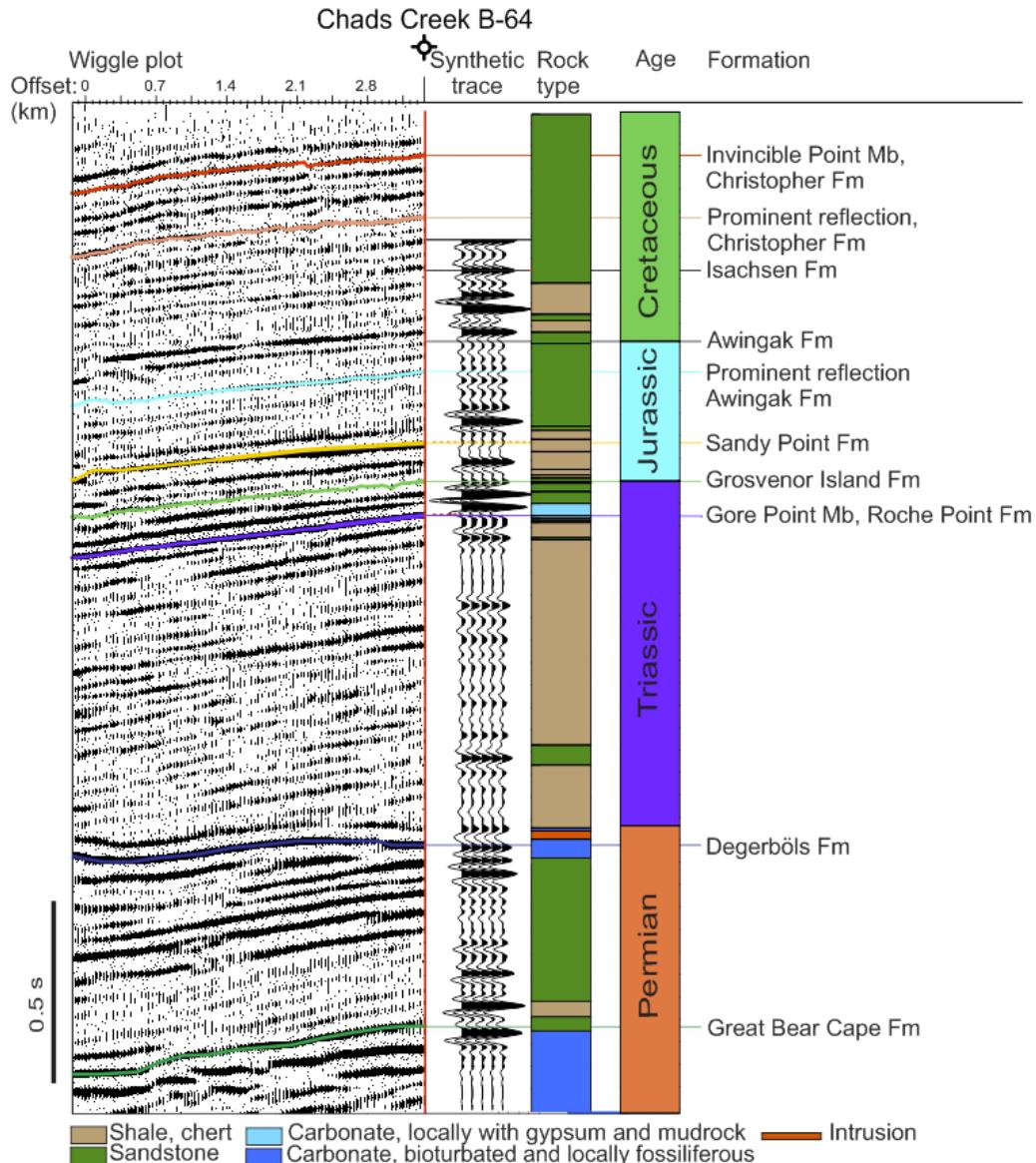


Figure 3. Comparison of the wiggle plot, synthetic trace, stratigraphy, age, and formation-top data for the Chads Creek B-64 well.

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Vertical Datum: mean sea level

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1. Le Canada ne fait aucune représentation ou garantie, expresse ou tacite, découlant de la loi ou d'autres sources, en ce qui concerne entre autres l'exactitude, l'utilité, la nouveauté, la validité, l'étendue, l'intégralité ou l'actualité des Données et rejette expressément toute garantie implicite de qualité loyale et marchande ou l'à propos à une fin particulière des Données. Le Canada n'assure ni ne garantit la compatibilité du site qui contient les Données avec les versions antérieures, actuelles et futures de n'importe quel fureteur.
2. Le Canada ne peut être tenu responsable par le Détenteur de licence en ce qui a trait à toute réclamation, revendication ou action en justice, quelle qu'en soit la cause, concernant toute perte ou tout préjudice ou dommage ou frais, direct ou indirect, qui pourrait résulter de la possession ou de l'utilisation des Données par le Détenteur de licence.
3. Le Détenteur de licence tiendra le Canada et ses représentants, employés, agents et exécutants, indemnes et à couvert à l'égard de toute réclamation, revendication ou action en justice, quelle qu'en soit la cause, alléguant toute perte, tout frais, toute dépense, tout dommage ou toute blessure (y compris toute blessure mortelle) qui pourrait résulter de la possession ou de l'utilisation des Données par le Détenteur de licence.
4. Le Détenteur de licence devra accorder des licences d'utilisation à toute personne ou partie qui obtient les Données ou des Produits dérivés au moyen d'un accord de licence, et cet accord devra imposer à ces personnes ou parties les mêmes modalités que celles qui sont énoncées dans la section 4.0 de cet Accord.
5. L'obligation du Détenteur de licence d'indemniser le Canada selon cet Accord ne peut affecter ni empêcher le Canada d'exercer tout autre droit selon la loi.

## **5.0 DURÉE**

1. Cet Accord entre en vigueur à partir de la date et de l'heure d'acceptation des modalités de l'Accord (Heure de l'Est) et restera en vigueur pour une période d'un (1) an, en vertu de la sous-section 5.2 et de la section 6.0 qui suivent.
2. À la fin du premier terme, cet Accord sera automatiquement renouvelé pour des termes successifs d'un (1) an, en vertu de la section 6.0 qui suit.

## **6.0 RÉSILIATION**

1. 6.1 Nonobstant la section 5.0, cet Accord peut être résilié :
  - i. automatiquement et sans préavis, si le Détenteur de licence manque à ses engagements ou obligations selon cet Accord;
  - ii. par un préavis écrit de résiliation émis par le Détenteur de licence, en tout temps, et cette résiliation prendra effet trente (30) jours suivant la réception d'un tel préavis par le Canada; ou
  - iii. par consentement mutuel des parties.

2. Lors de la résiliation de cet Accord, pour quelque raison que ce soit, les obligations qui incombent au Détenteur de licence en vertu de la section 4.0 continueront de s'appliquer et les droits du Détenteur de licence en vertu de la section 2.0 cesseront immédiatement.
3. Lors de la résiliation de cet Accord, pour quelque raison que ce soit, le Détenteur de licence devra immédiatement effacer ou détruire toutes les Données obtenues en vertu de cet Accord, ou à l'intérieur d'un délai raisonnable lorsque les Données sont nécessaires pour terminer la livraison de Produits dérivés commandés avant la résiliation de cet Accord.

## 7.0 GÉNÉRAL

1. **Lois d'application**

Le présent Accord est régi et interprété en vertu des lois en vigueur dans la province de l'Ontario. Les parties acceptent de tomber sous la juridiction de la Cour supérieure de la Province de l'Ontario.

2. **Totalité de l'Accord**

Le présent Accord constitue l'intégralité de l'entente conclue entre les parties relativement à l'objet du présent Accord. Toute modification à cet Accord ne peut être que par écrit, doit porter la signature de chaque partie et exprimer clairement l'intention de modifier cet Accord.

3. **Solution des litiges**

Si un litige survient à propos de cet Accord, les parties tenteront de le résoudre par des négociations de bonne foi.