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# Basin Analysis and Petroleum System Characterization and Modeling, Interior Salt Basins, Central and Eastern Gulf of Mexico\*

Part 1: North Louisiana Salt Basin

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#### **Abstract**

The project consisted of two phases: Concept Development and Concept Demonstration. The principal research effort for Phase 1 (Concept Development) of the project has been data compilation; determination of the tectonic, depositional, burial, and thermal maturation histories of the North Louisiana Salt Basin; basin modeling (geohistory, thermal maturation, hydrocarbon expulsion); petroleum-system identification; comparative basin evaluation; and initial assessment of undiscovered and undeveloped reservoirs in the North Louisiana Salt Basin. Existing information on the North Louisiana Salt Basin has been evaluated, an electronic database has been developed, and regional cross sections have been prepared. Structure, isopach and formation lithology maps have been constructed, and burial-history, thermal-maturation-expulsion profiles have been used in evaluating the tectonic, depositional, burial and thermal-maturation histories of the basin. The principal research effort for Phase 2 (Concept Demonstration) of the project has been characterization of the Smackover petroleum system in the North Louisiana Salt Basin, characterization of the Upper Jurassic to Lower Cretaceous Bossier petroleum system, hydrocarbon-flow-pathway modeling in the North Louisiana Salt Basin, and refined assessment of the undiscovered and underdeveloped reservoirs in the North Louisiana Salt Basin. Presentations on the results of this work have been made at the annual meetings

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of the American Association of Petroleum Geologists and Gulf Coast Association of Geological Societies. Technology transfer workshops have been conducted in Shreveport, Louisiana, Jackson, Mississippi, and Tuscaloosa, Alabama.

#### Introduction

The University of Alabama and Louisiana State University have undertaken a cooperative 5-year, fundamental research project involving sedimentary-basin analysis and petroleum-system characterization and modeling of the North Louisiana Salt Basin and Mississippi Interior Salt Basin. According to the USGS, the hydrocarbon volume of these basins ranks them in the top 8% of the most petroliferous basins of the world.

# **Executive Summary**

The principal research efforts of the project have been the determination of the tectonic, depositional, burial and thermal-maturation histories of the North Louisiana Salt Basin, basin modeling (geohistory, thermal maturation, hydrocarbon expulsion, hydrocarbon-flow pathway), petroleum system study (identification, characterization, modeling), comparative basin evaluation, and assessment of the undiscovered and underdeveloped reservoirs in the North Louisiana Salt Basin.

Existing information, including 2-D seismic sections, on the North Louisiana Salt Basin has been evaluated, and an electronic database has been developed. Regional cross sections have been prepared. Structure, isopach, and formation-lithology maps have been constructed on key surfaces and of key intervals, respectively. Seismic data, well logs, cross sections, subsurface maps and burial-history, thermal-maturation history and hydrocarbon-expulsion profiles have been used in evaluating the tectonic history, depositional history, burial history and thermal-maturation history of the basin.

The origin of the North Louisiana Salt Basin is comparable to the origin of the Mississippi Interior Salt Basin. The geohistory of these basins is directly linked to the evolution of the Gulf of Mexico. The timing of tectonic events and the nature of the structural styles control the type and size of petroleum traps formed and the volume of hydrocarbons contained within these traps. The dominant structural styles are salt-supported anticlines, normal faults, and combination structural-stratigraphic features. Combination structural-stratigraphic features include large regional domal structures, such as the Sabine and Monroe uplifts.

The main difference in the geohistories of the North Louisiana Salt Basin and the Mississippi Interior Salt Basin is the elevated heat flow the strata in the North Louisiana Salt Basin experienced in the Cretaceous due primarily to reactivation upward movement, igneous activity, and erosion associated with the Monroe and Sabine Uplifts. The Jackson Dome in the Mississippi Interior Salt Basin is a similar phenomenon, but the effects of this igneous intrusion are on a much lower level geographically.

The Upper Jurassic Smackover petroleum system is the principal petroleum system in these basins. The underburden, source, overburden,

reservoir, and seal rocks associated with this petroleum system are a result of the rift-related geohistory. The generation of oil and gas from Smackover lime mudstone was initiated during the Early Cretaceous in the southern part of the basins and continued into the Tertiary. Hydrocarbon expulsion and migration commenced during the Early Cretaceous and continued into the Tertiary. Vertical and lateral migration is important to the productivity of these basins. In the North Louisiana Salt Basin, petroleum reservoirs include continental, coastal, and marine sandstone facies and nearshore marine, shelf, ramp, and reef carbonate facies. Seal rocks include Upper Jurassic and Lower Cretaceous anhydrite and shale, Upper Cretaceous chalk and shale, and Lower Tertiary shale.

The Upper Jurassic to Lower Cretaceous Bossier petroleum system had the potential to generate gas from thermally mature shale containing Type III kerogen, giving the Bossier high potential as a shale-gas reservoir in the North Louisiana Salt Basin. Potential undiscovered reservoirs in the North Louisiana Salt Basin are subsalt Triassic Eagle Mills sandstone and Upper Jurassic to Lower Cretaceous sandstone, shale, and limestone. Potential underdeveloped reservoirs include Lower Cretaceous sandstone and Upper Cretaceous sandstone.

Knowledge of basin geohistory and of the concepts of sequence stratigraphy and petroleum systems facilitates the design of new exploration strategies for the targeting of combination structural and stratigraphic traps and specific reservoir facies in a transgressive-regressive sequence. In the North Louisiana Salt Basin, Upper Cretaceous sandstone reservoirs are recognized as transgressive backstepping facies in transgressive-regressive sequences that onlap onto the Monroe Uplift that serves as a combination structural and stratigraphic trap, thermogenic gas is predicted to occur in Upper Jurassic to Lower Cretaceous transgressive and regressive, deeply buried (>20,000 ft) porous sandstone and carbonate facies, and the Bossier Formation is identified as a potential shale-gas reservoir as a result of petroleum system study.

## **Project Objectives**

The principal objectives of the project were to develop through basin analysis and modeling the concept that petroleum systems acting in a basin can be identified through basin modeling and to demonstrate that the information and analysis resulting from characterizing and modeling of these petroleum systems in the North Louisiana Salt Basin and the Mississippi Interior Salt Basin can be used in providing a more reliable and advanced approach for targeting stratigraphic traps and specific reservoir facies within a geologic system and in providing a refined assessment of undiscovered and underdeveloped reservoirs and associated oil and gas resources.

## **Experimental**

# **Work Accomplished**

## **Data Compilation**

Existing information on the North Louisiana Salt Basin (Figure 1) has been evaluated and an electronic database has been developed.

Representative oil and gas well logs (141) were utilized in the construction of 11 regional stratigraphic cross sections (Figure 2). The digitized logs have been used to construct cross sections (Figures 3-13) for the basin using PETRA software. Seismic reflection data have been studied for the basin. The well logs, cross sections and seismic profiles were used in making interpretations regarding the tectonic history and depositional history of the basin. Structure maps (Figures 14, 15, and 16), isopach maps (Figures 17, 18, and 19), an erosional thickness map for the Lower Cretaceous section (Figure 20), and formation-lithology maps (Figures 21-40) have been constructed on key surfaces and of key intervals, respectively. Cores from wells that penetrate Jurassic strata have been studied to assist with the interpretations of the tectonic and depositional histories of the basin. Samples taken from these cores were used in the characterization of the petroleum source rocks in the basin to assist with the determination as to the source rocks that generated the oil and gas occurring in the North Louisiana Salt Basin (Table 1).

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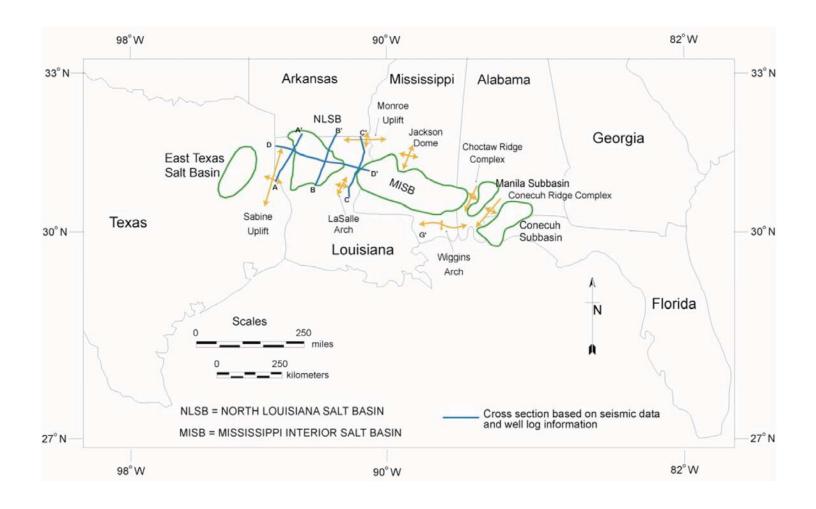


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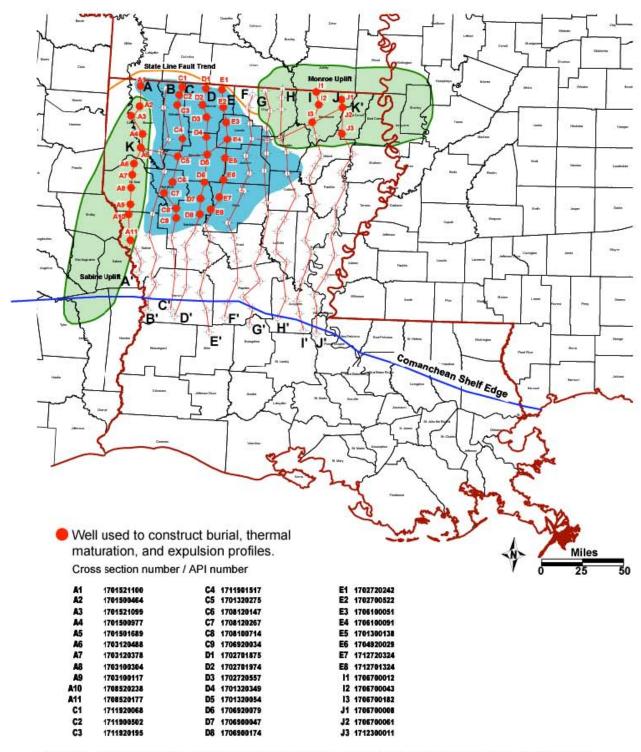


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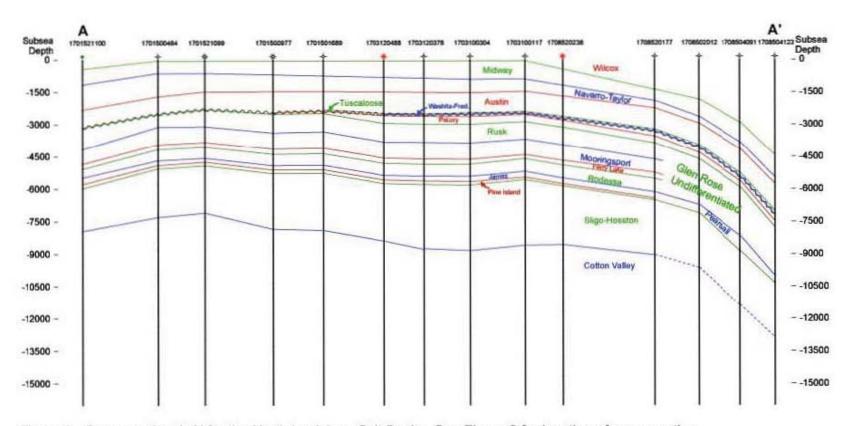


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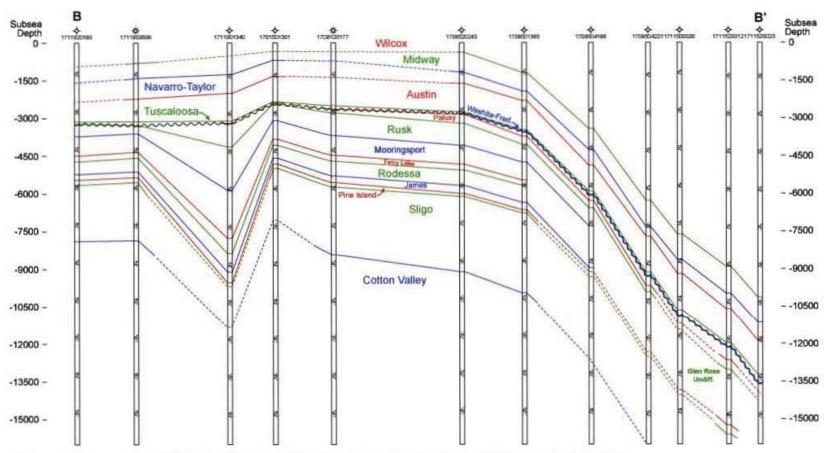


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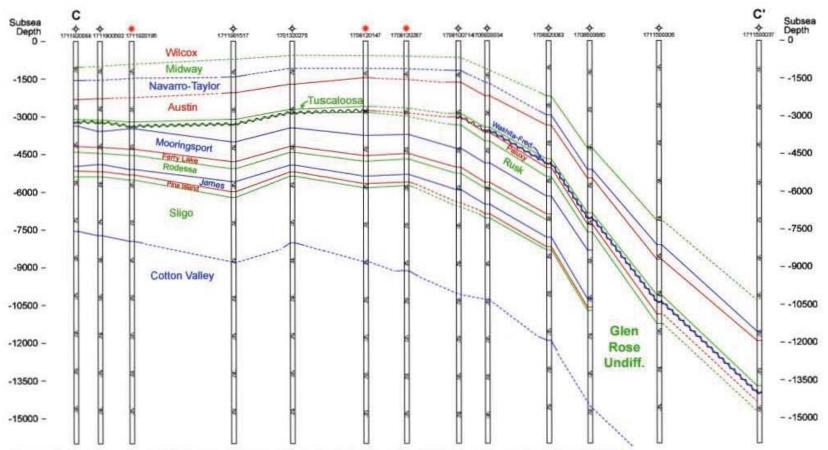


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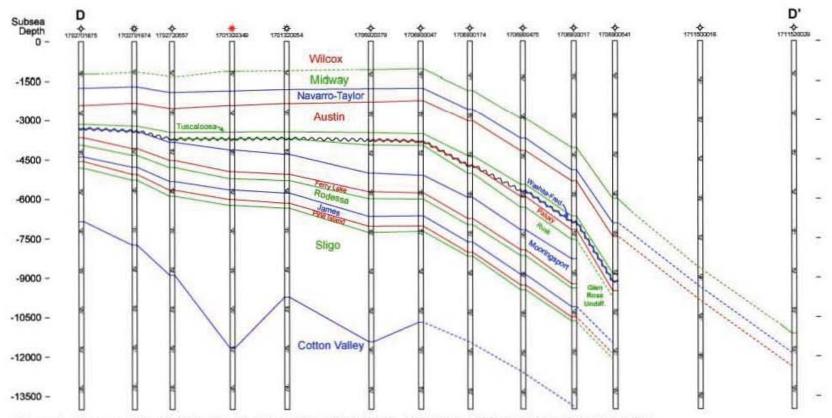


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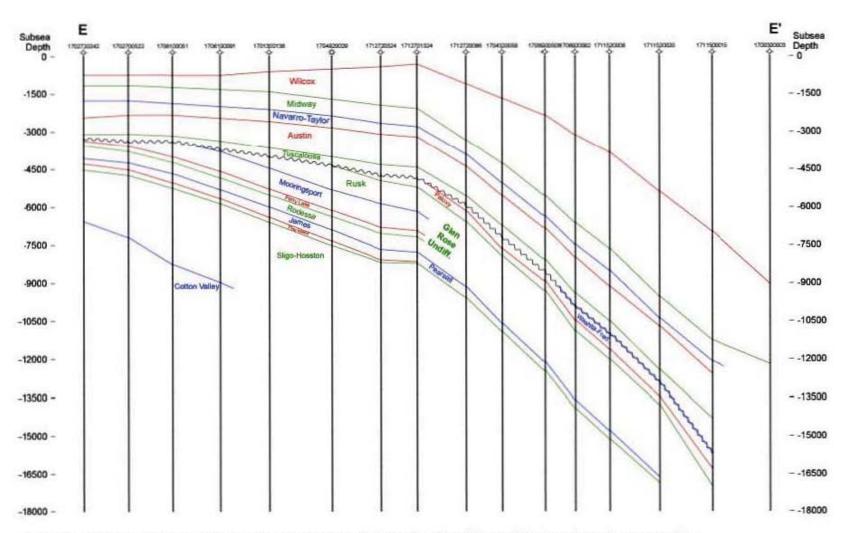


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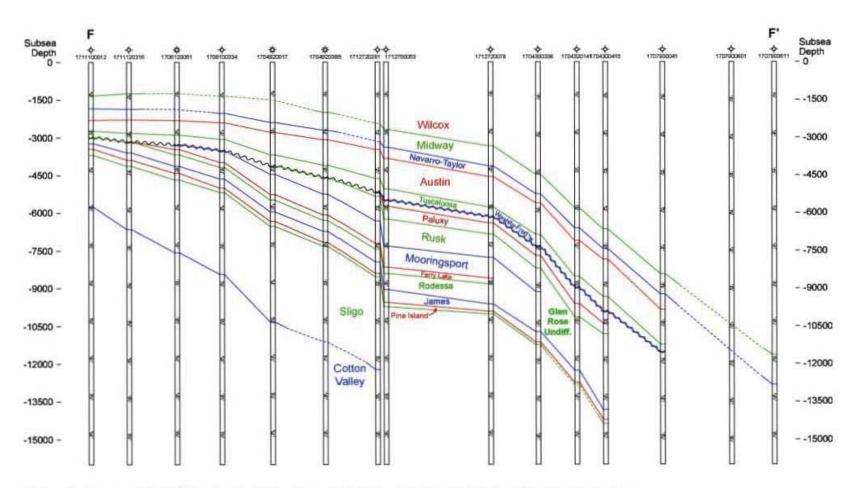


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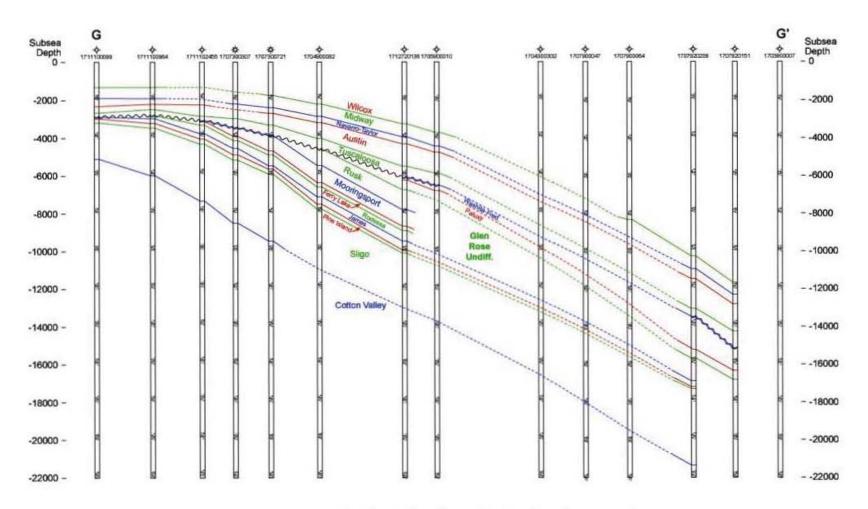


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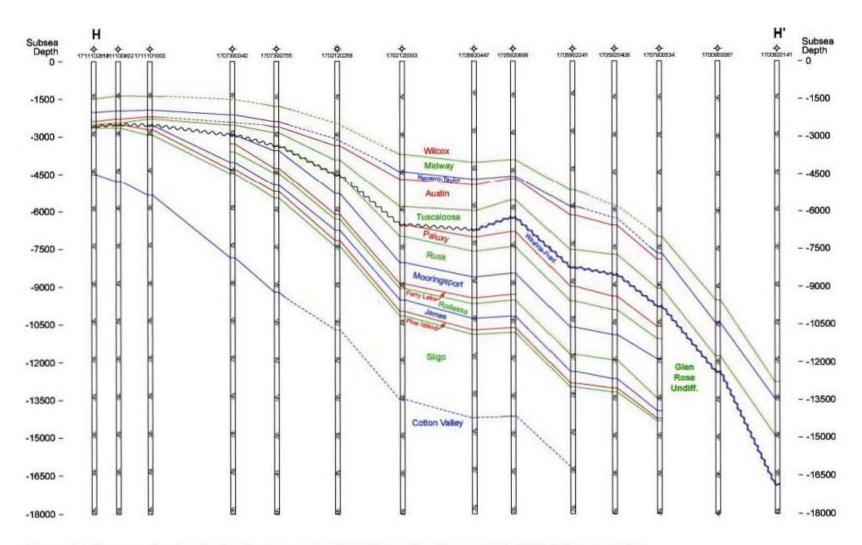


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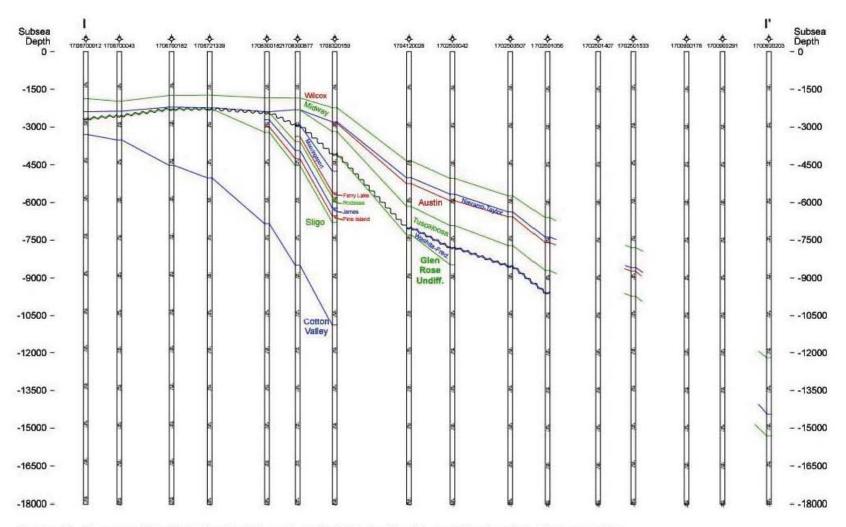


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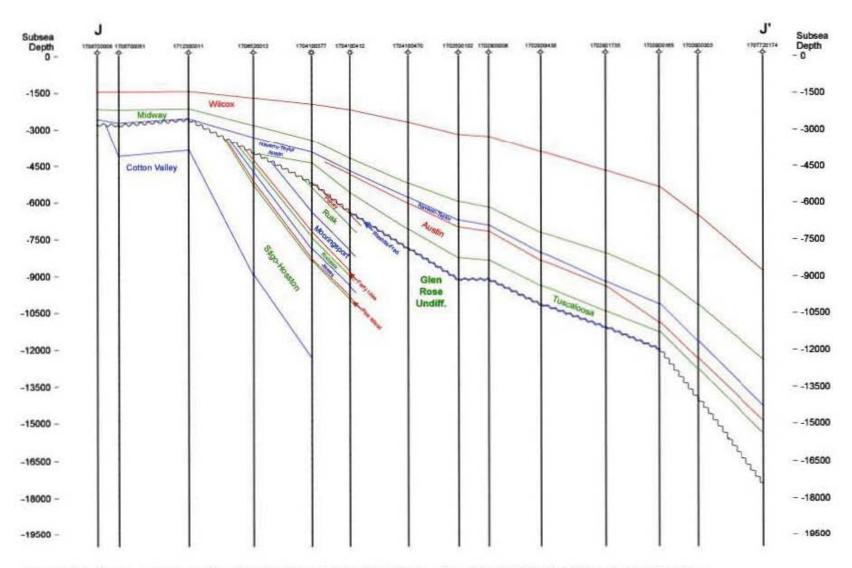


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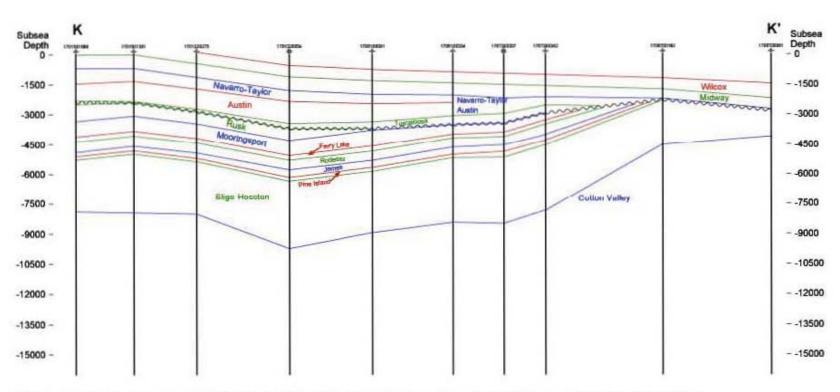


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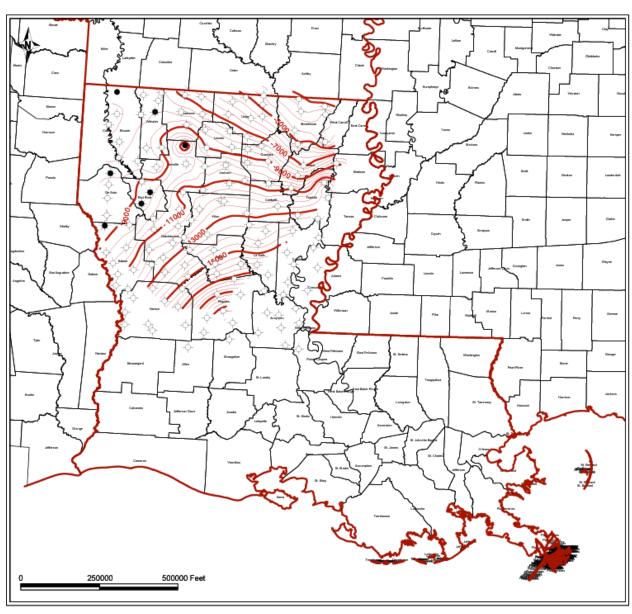


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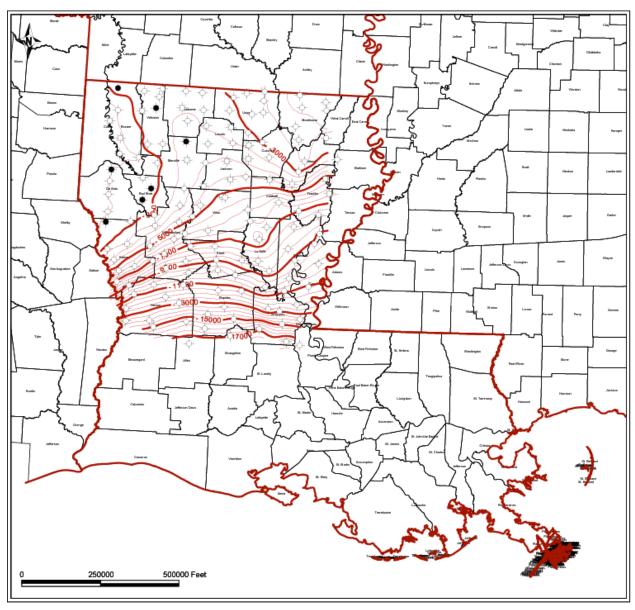


Figure 15. Structure map on the top of the Lower Cretaceous. Contour interval = 500 feet

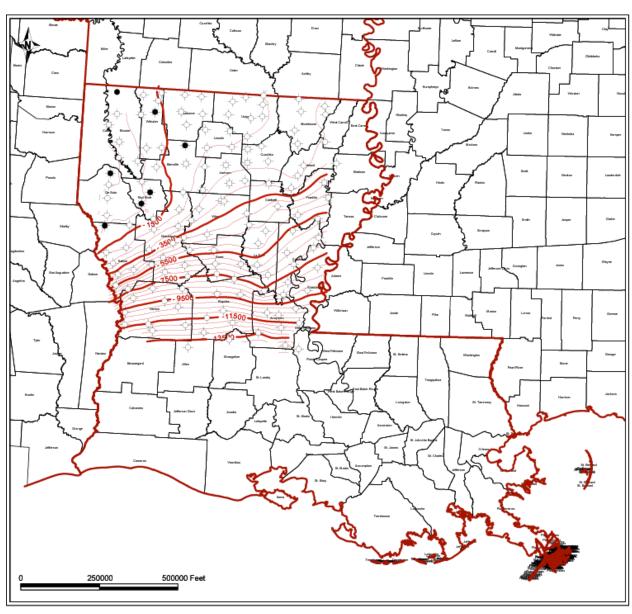


Figure 16. Structure map on the top of the Upper Cretaceous.

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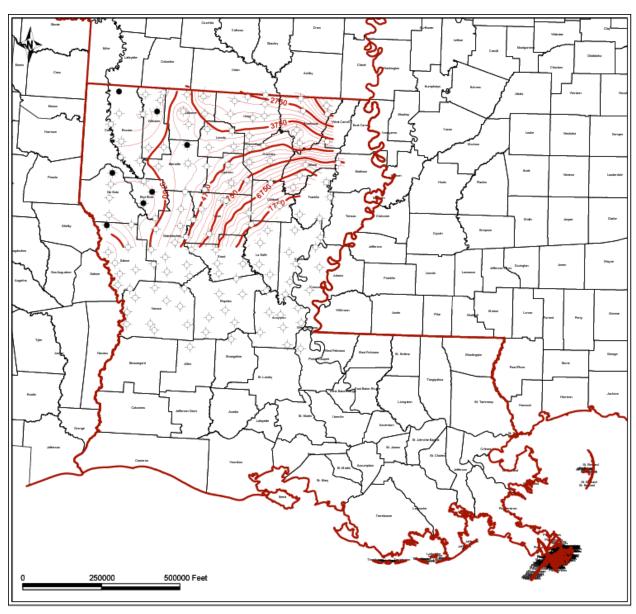


Figure 17. Isopach map of Cotton Valley strata, from the top of the Smackover to the top of the Cotton Valley.

Contour Interval = 250 feet

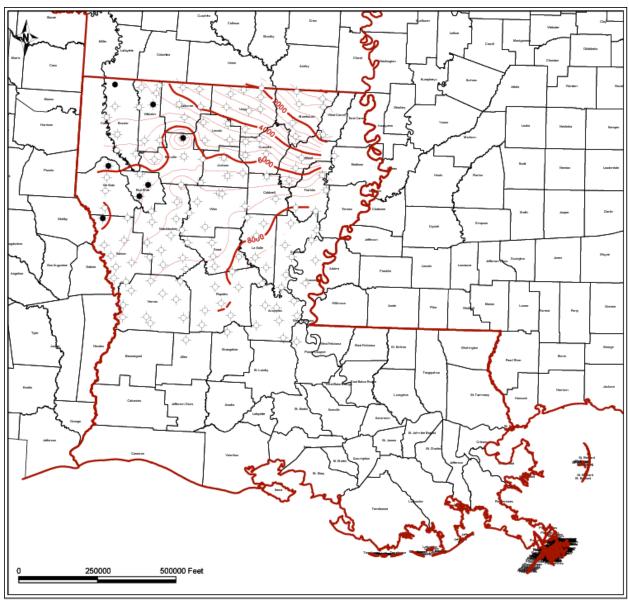


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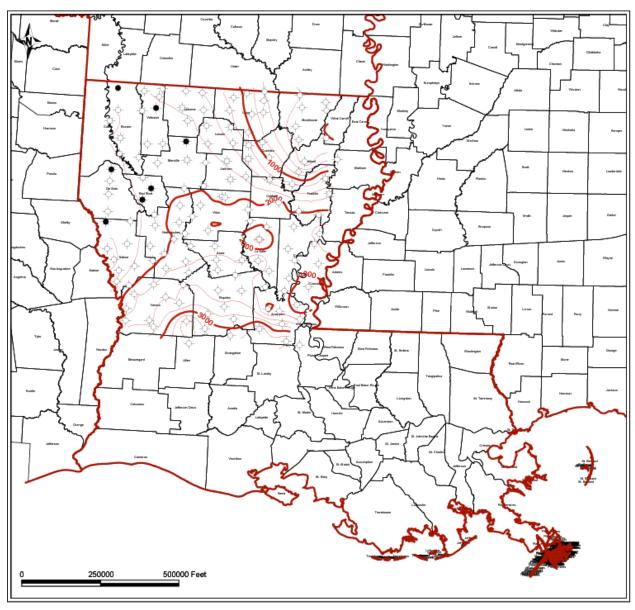


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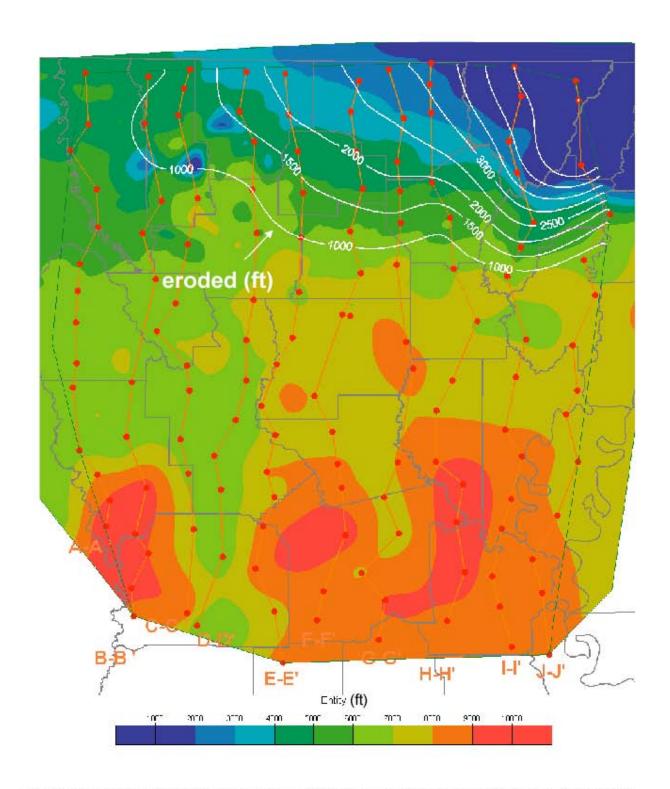


Figure 20. Erosion thickness of total Lower Cretaceous section. Prepared by Roger Barnaby.

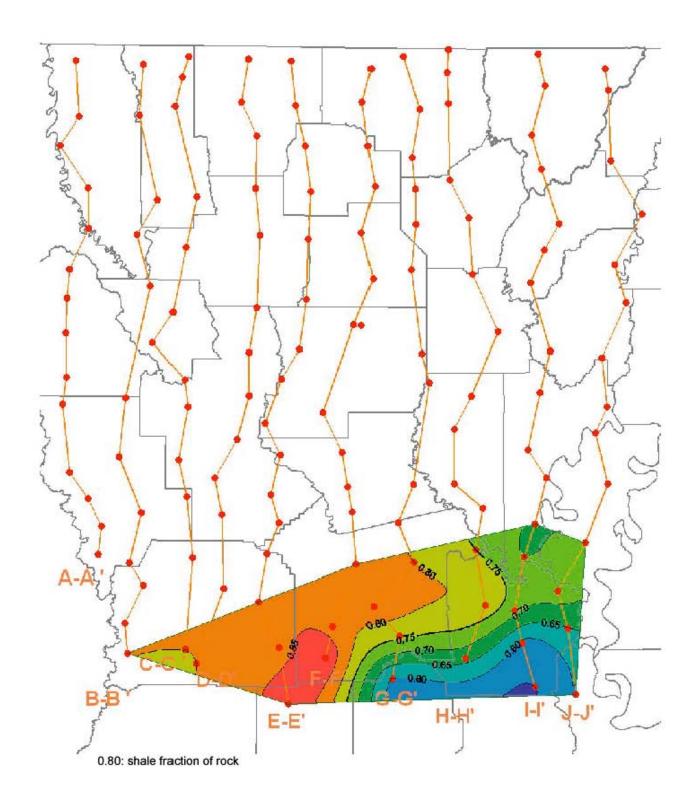


Figure 21. Lithology map of Miocene strata. Prepared by Roger Barnaby.

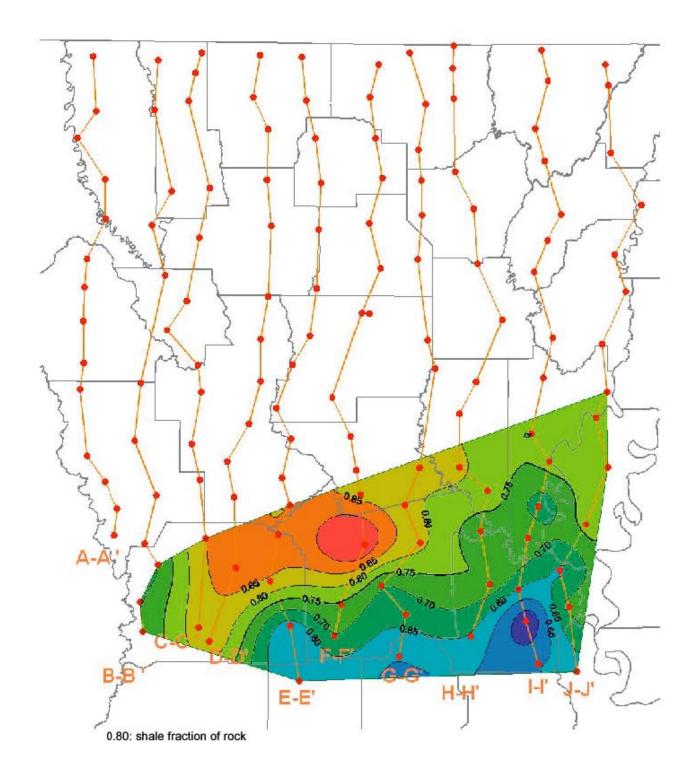


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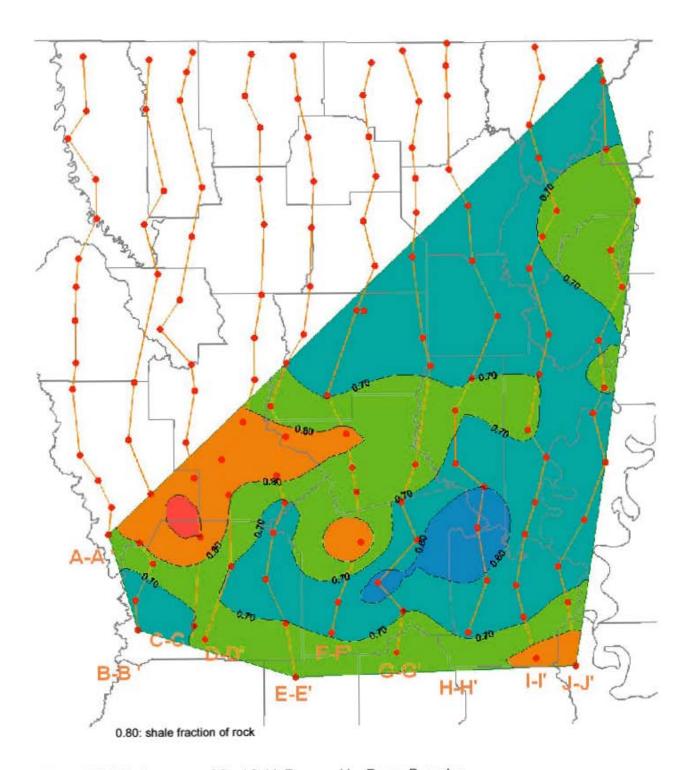


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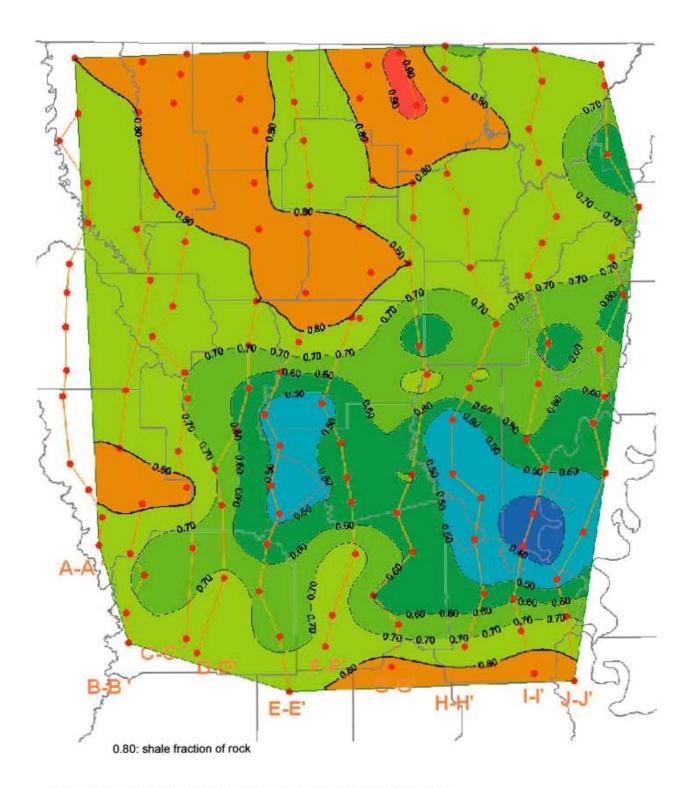


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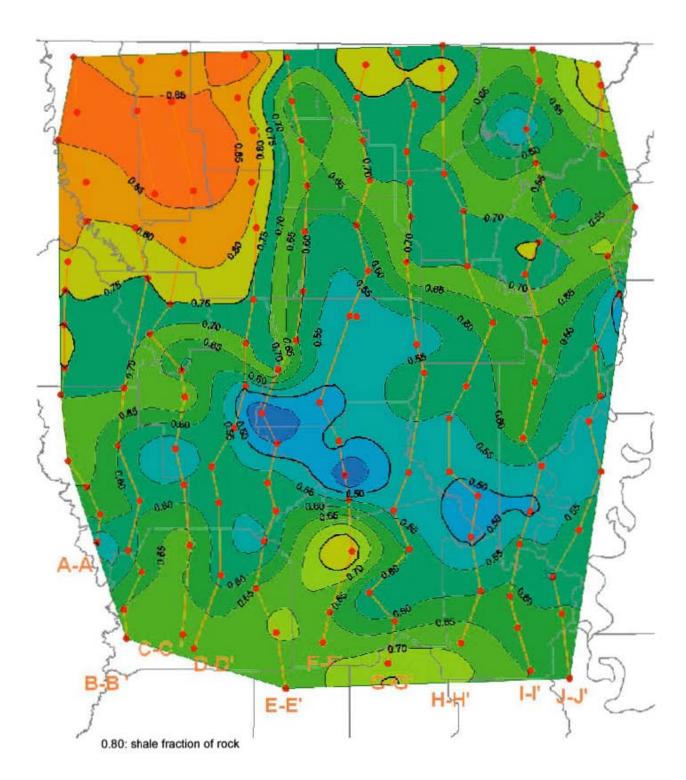


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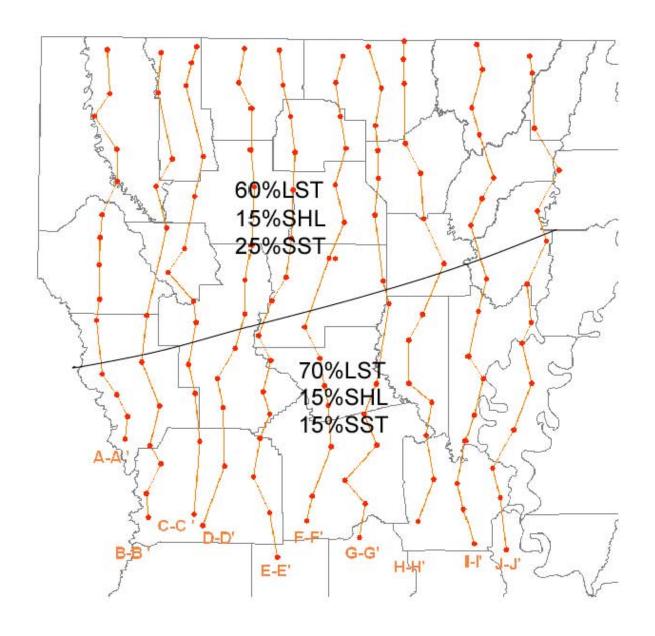


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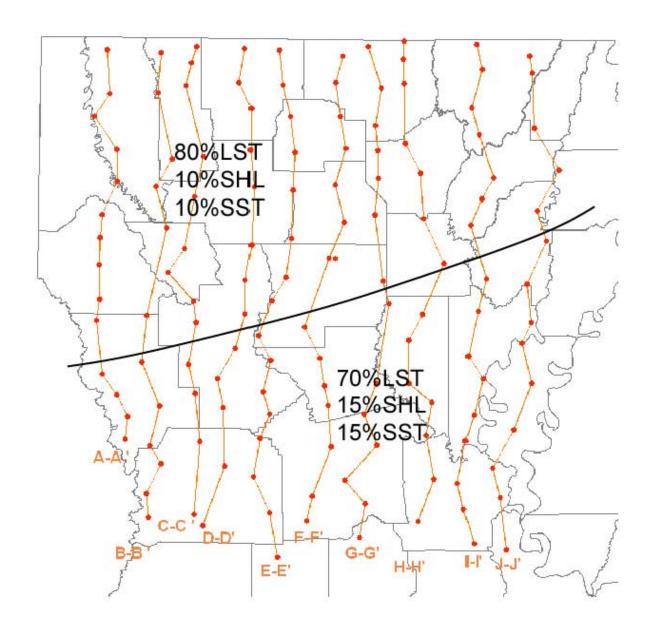


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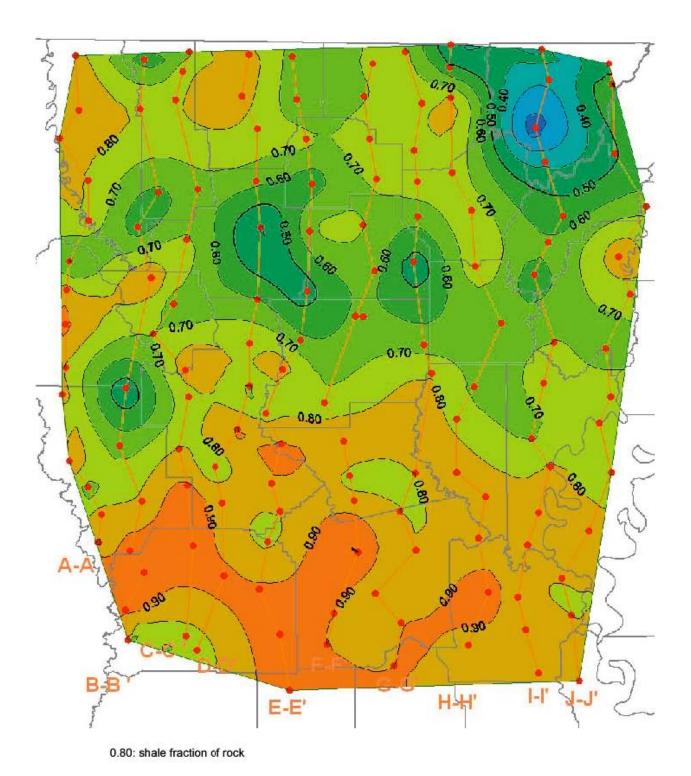


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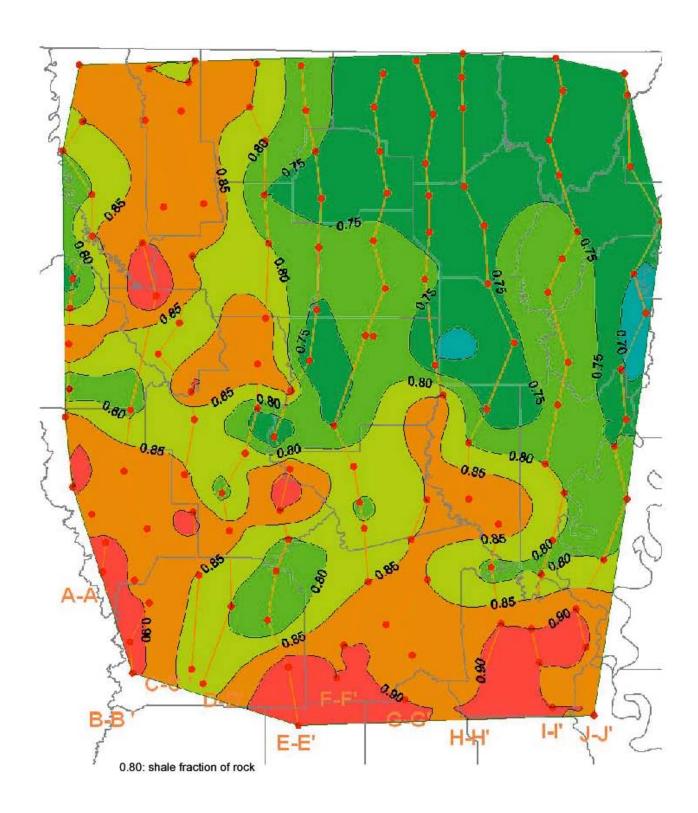


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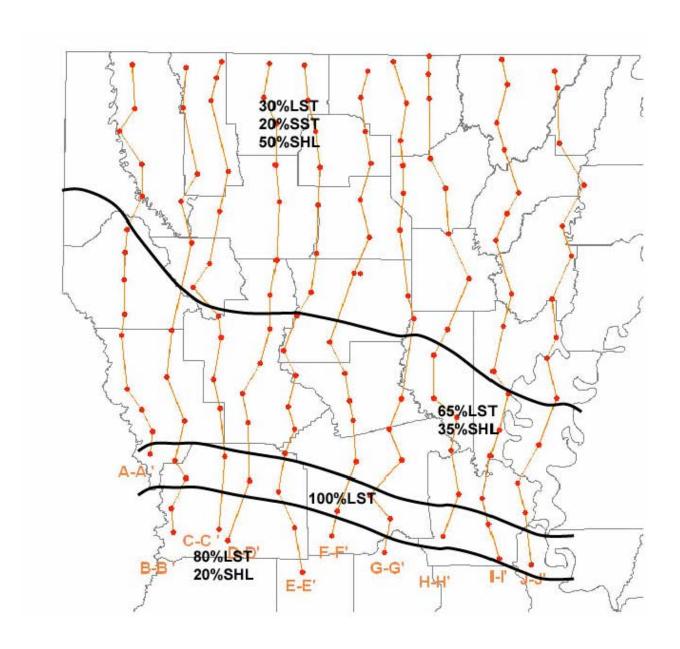


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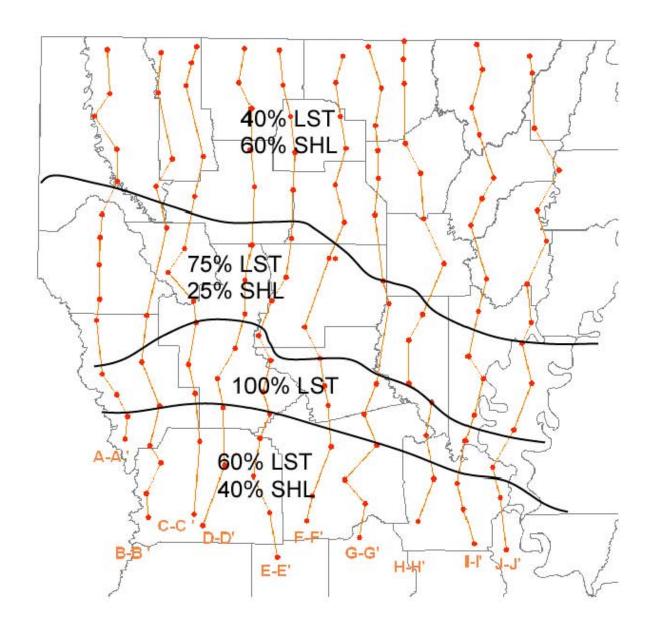


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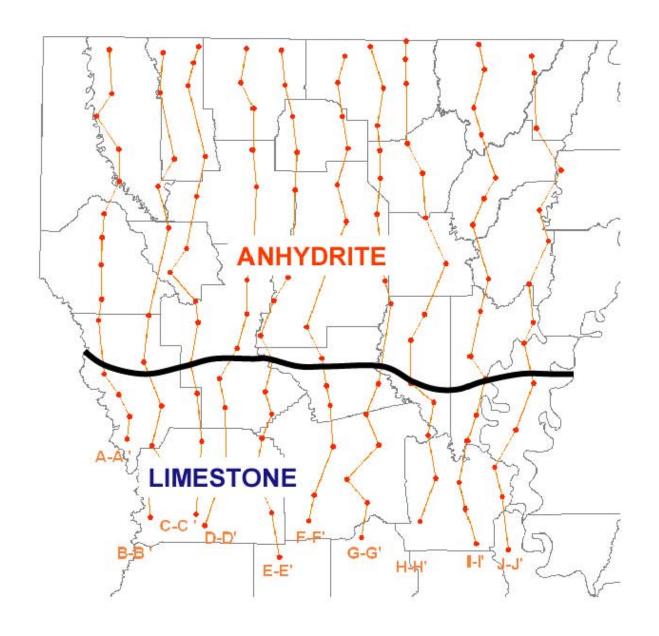


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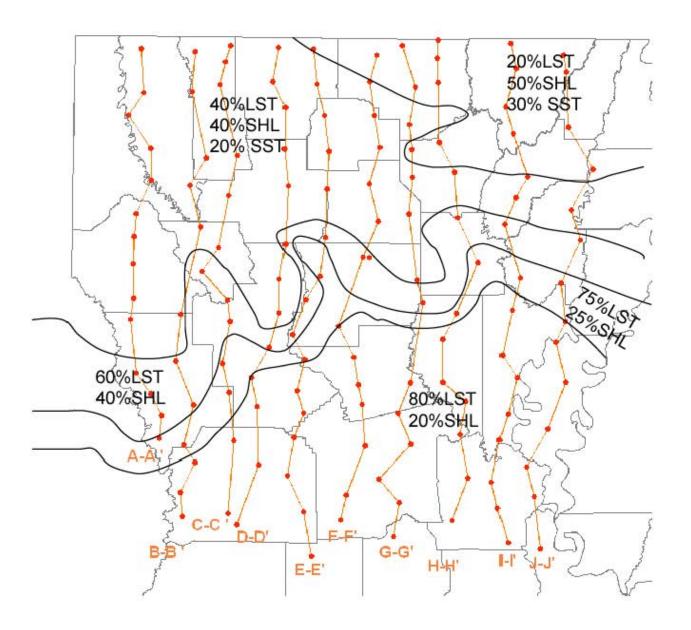


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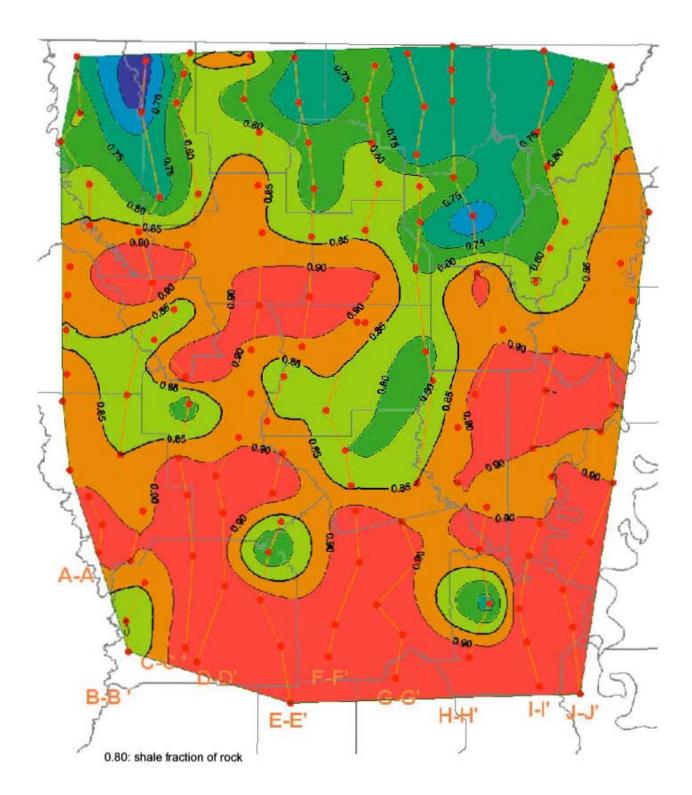


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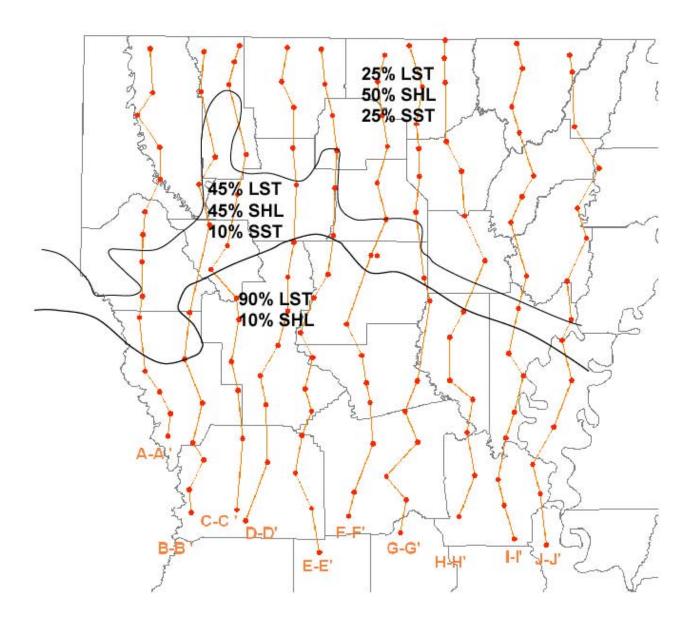


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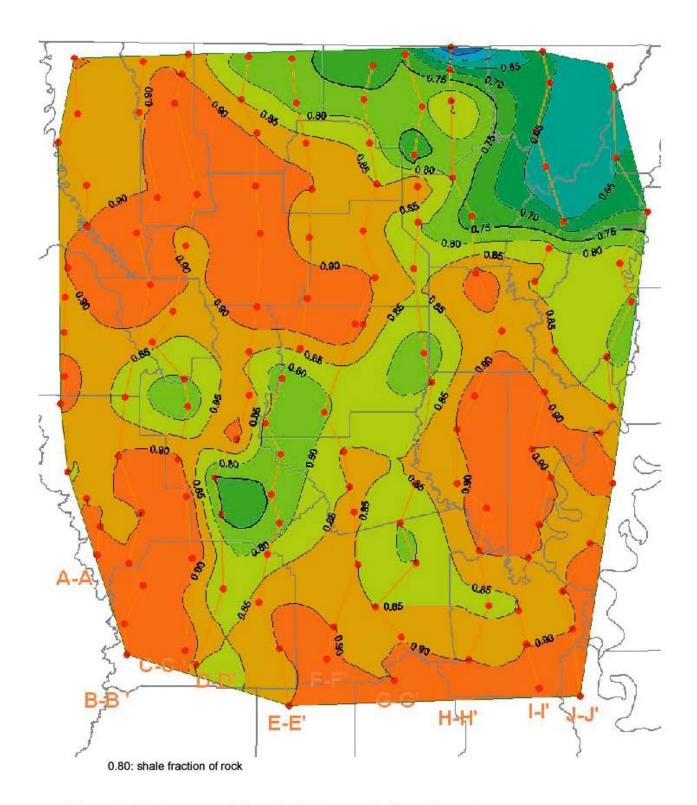


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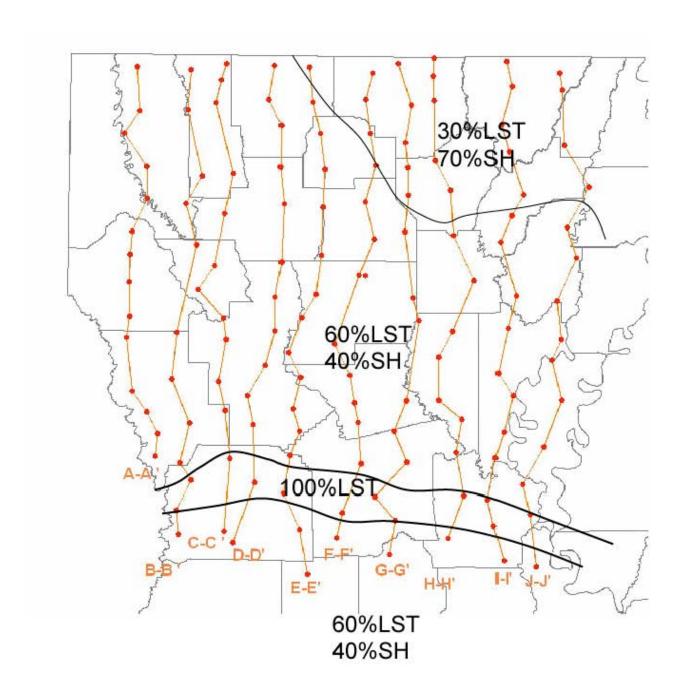


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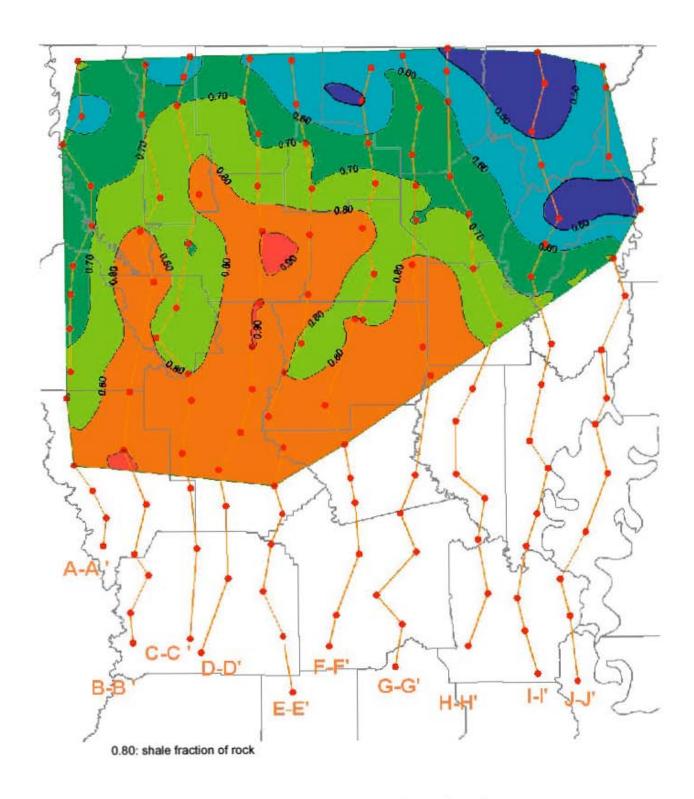


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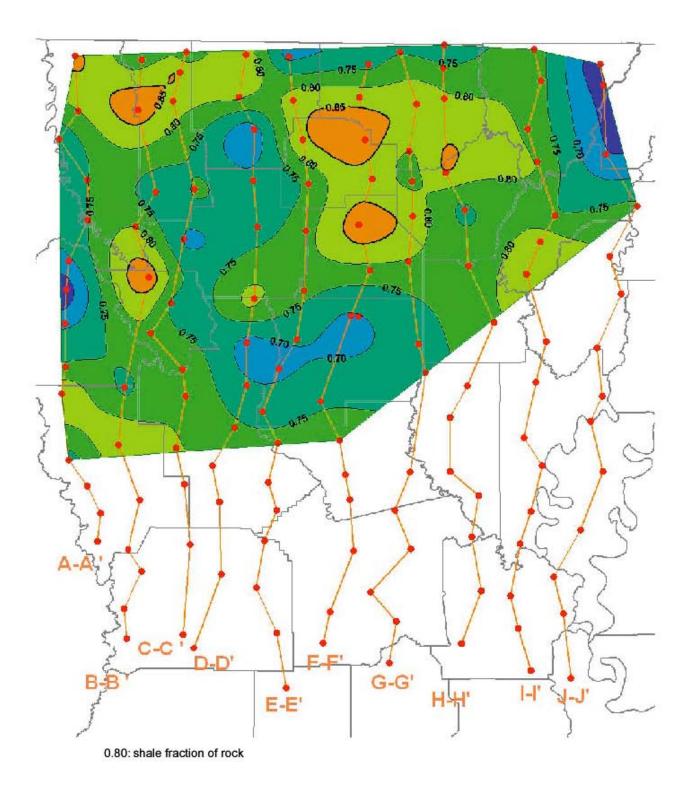


Figure 39. Lithology map of Cotton Valley. Prepared by Roger Barnaby.

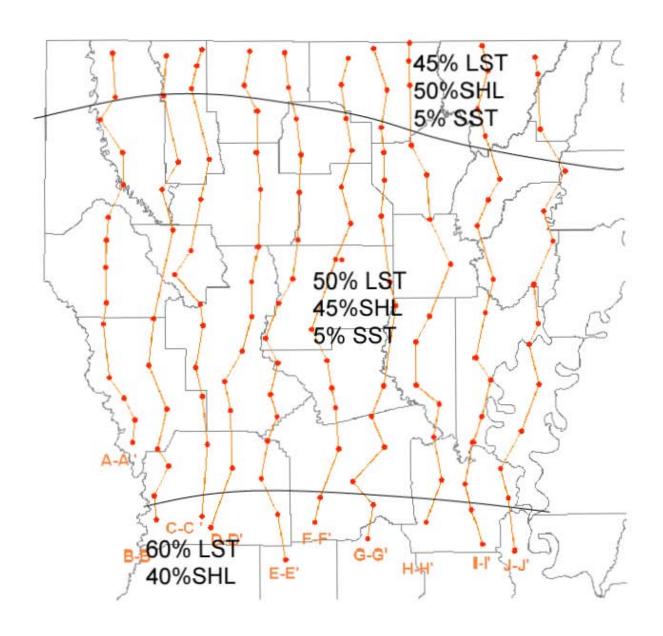


Figure 40. Lithology map of Smackover. Prepared by Roger Barnaby.

Table 1. Comparison of North Louisiana Salt Basin and Mississippi Interior Salt Basin.

Petroleum system characteristics (Smackover)	North Louisiana Salt Basin				Mississippi Interior Salt Basin	
Thickness (m)	396				116	
Kerogen type	Type IIS (Microbial/Amorphous)				Type IIS (Microbial/Amorphous)	
TOC (wt%) range	0.06 - 8.42				0.24 – 4.55	
TOC (wt%) average	0.58 (measured) - 1.0 (calculated for modeling)				0.85 (measured) – 1.5 (calculated for modeling)	
Depth to generate oil, m (ft)	1829 – 2591 (6,000-8,500)				2438 – 3353 (8,000-11,000)	
Depth to generate gas, m (ft)	3658 – 4877 (12,000-16,000)				5029 – 6401 (16,500-21,000)	
	<u>Basir</u> <u>Updip/Margin</u>	n proper Downdip/Center	Monroe Uplift	Sabine Uplift	<u>Updip/Margin</u>	Downdip/Center
Maturity (R <sub>o</sub> %)	0.8-1.3	1.3->2.6	<0.5-1.3	0.8-1.5	<0.5-1	1-2.5
Time to generate oil (Ma)	115-135	125-140	105-125	115-125	35-90	90-135
Time to generate gas (Ma)	Present-50	50-105	No gas	20-50	No gas	12-80
Time of expulsion (Ma)	50-110	100-125	100–120*	90-105	30-50	60-110
Time of peak expulsion (Ma)	40-105	80-120	<u>90-110*</u>	60-100	Present-45	50-100
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Heat flow (HFU)	1.25				1.09	

\* Only in the southwest portion of Monroe Uplift

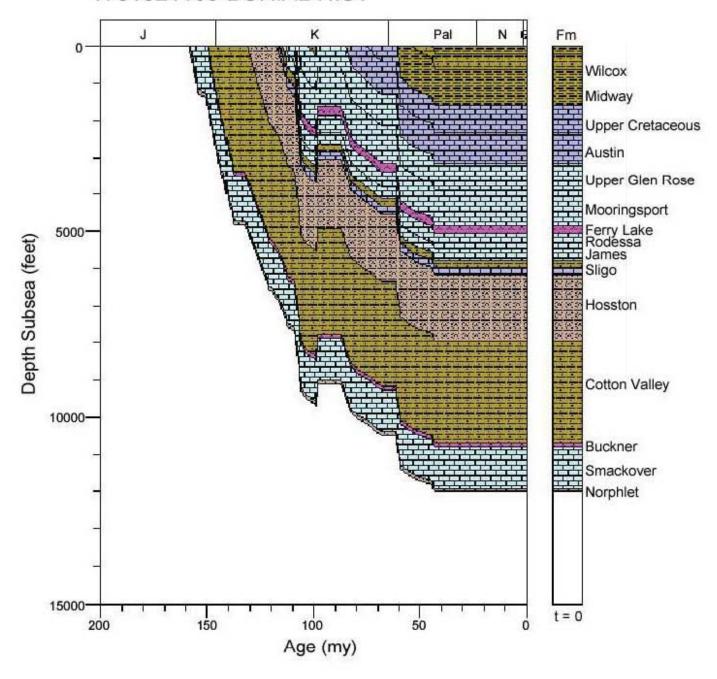


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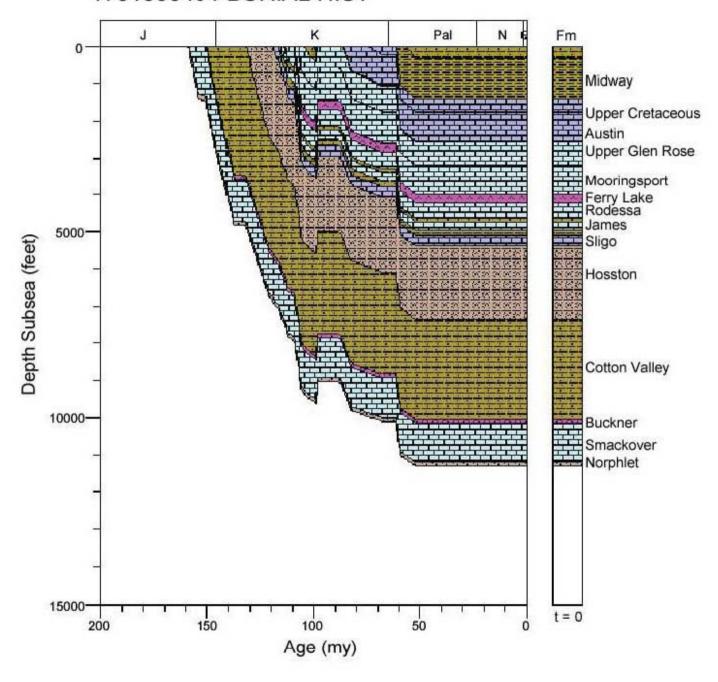


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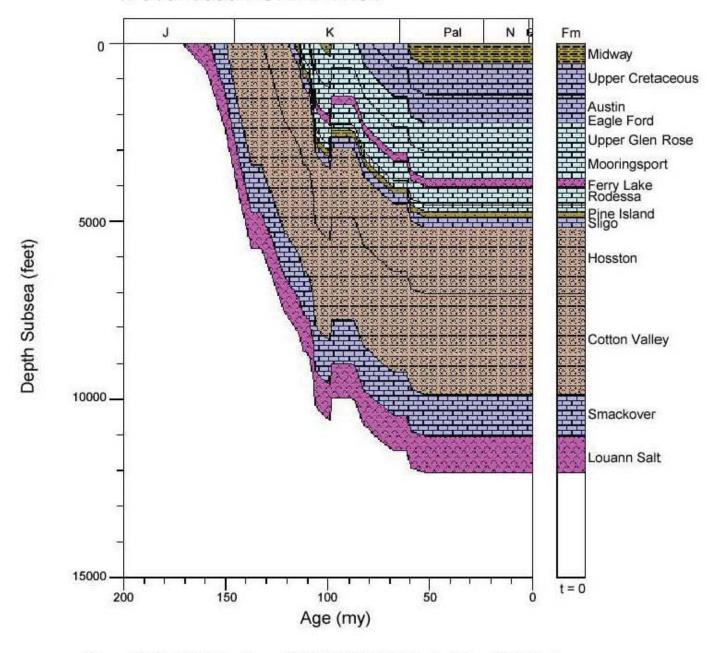


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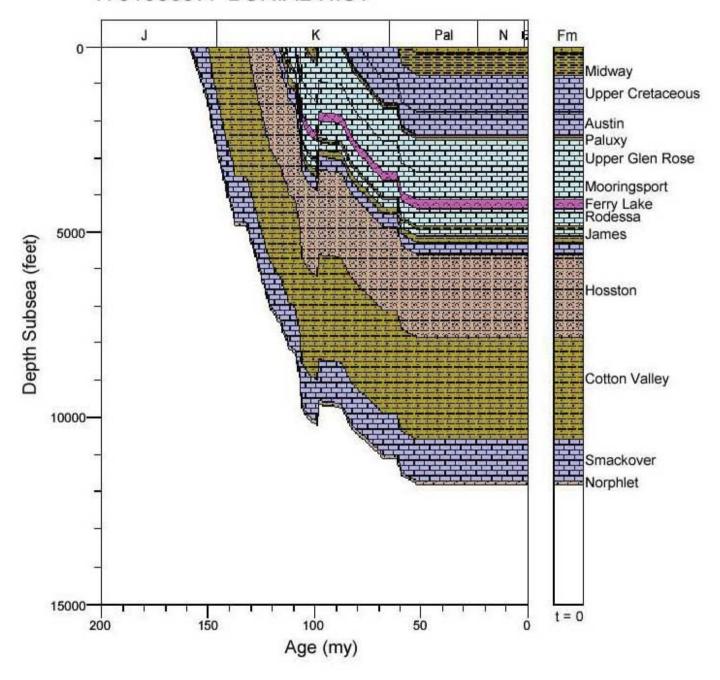


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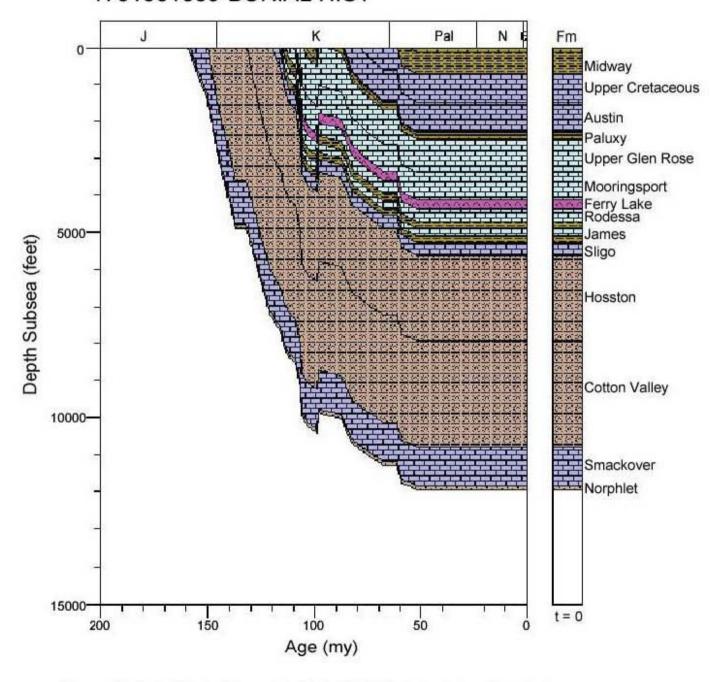


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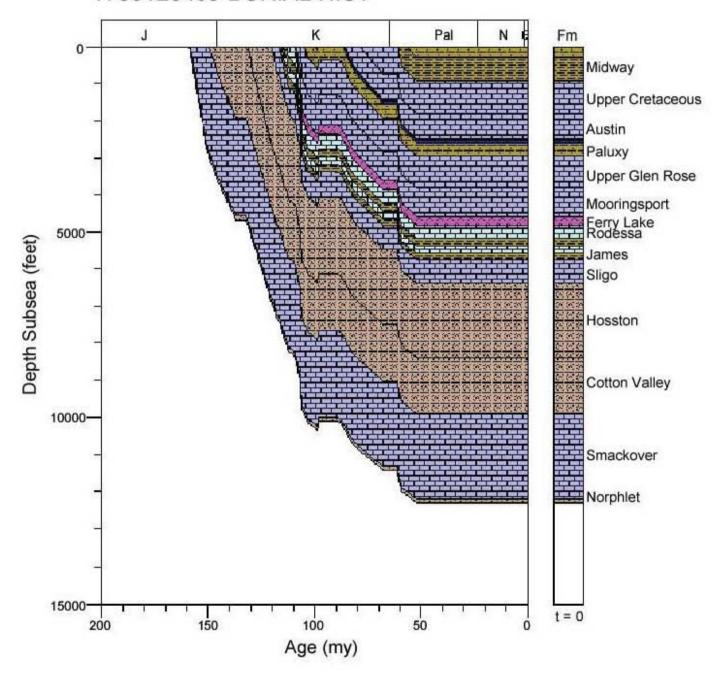


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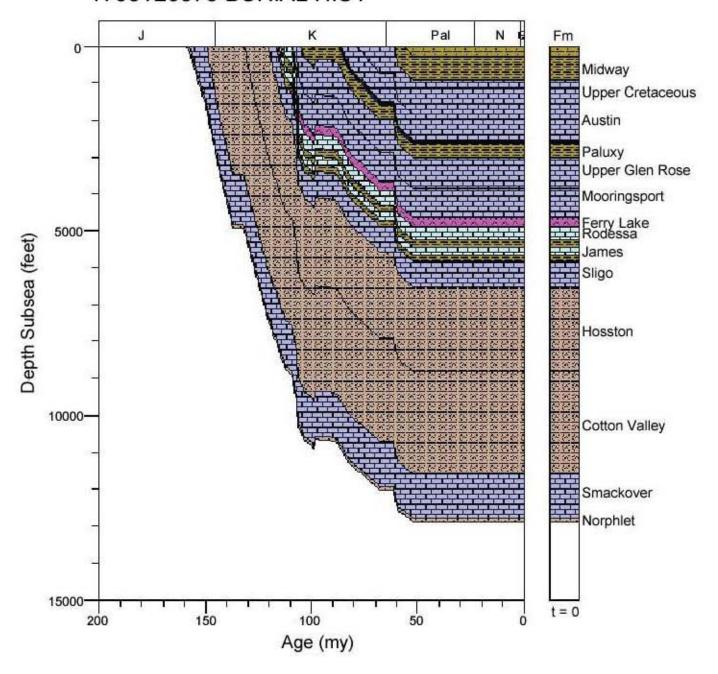


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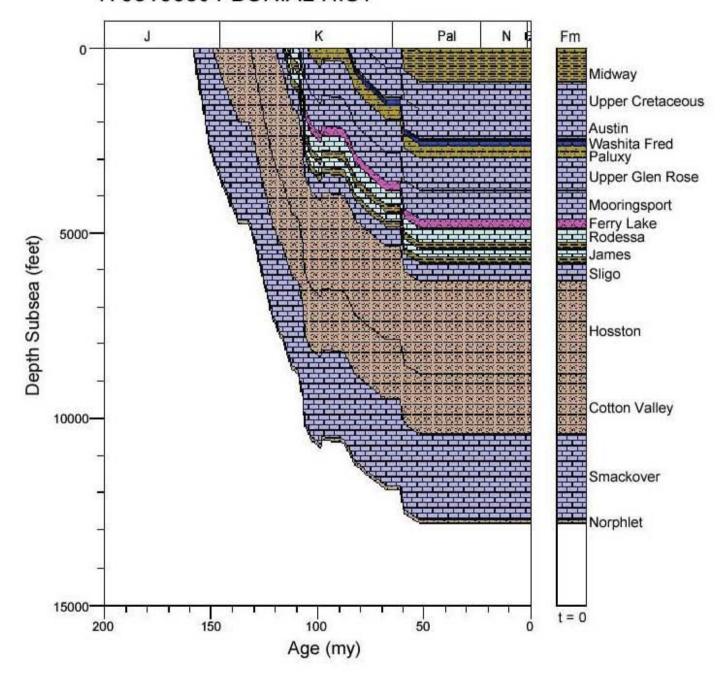


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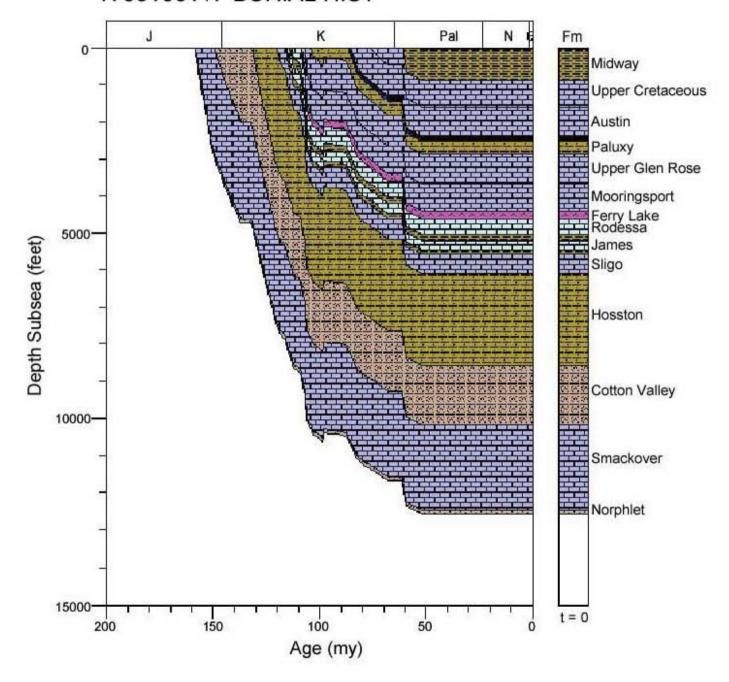


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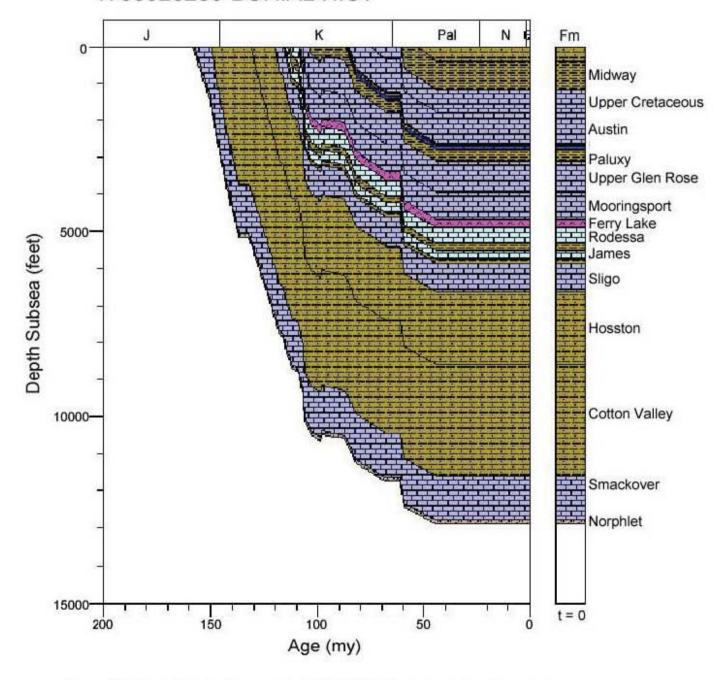


Figure 50. Burial history for well 1708520238, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

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Figure 51. Burial history for well 1708520177, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

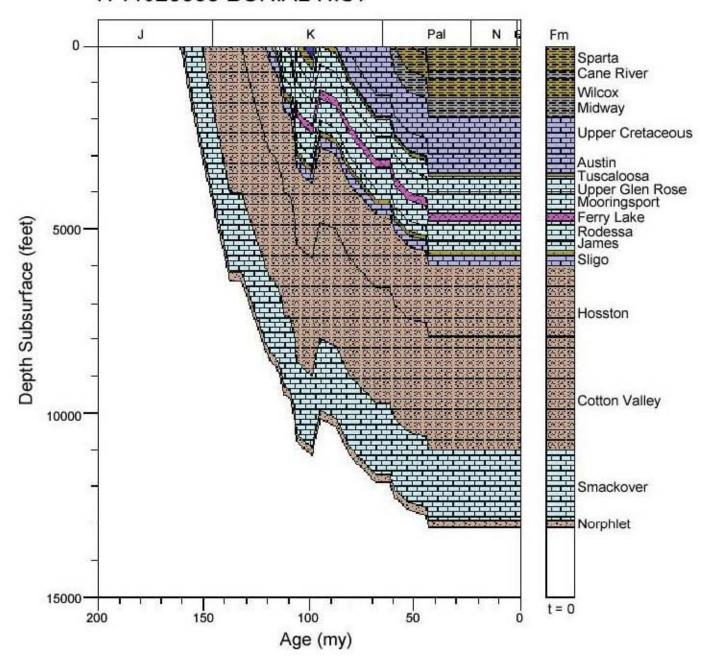


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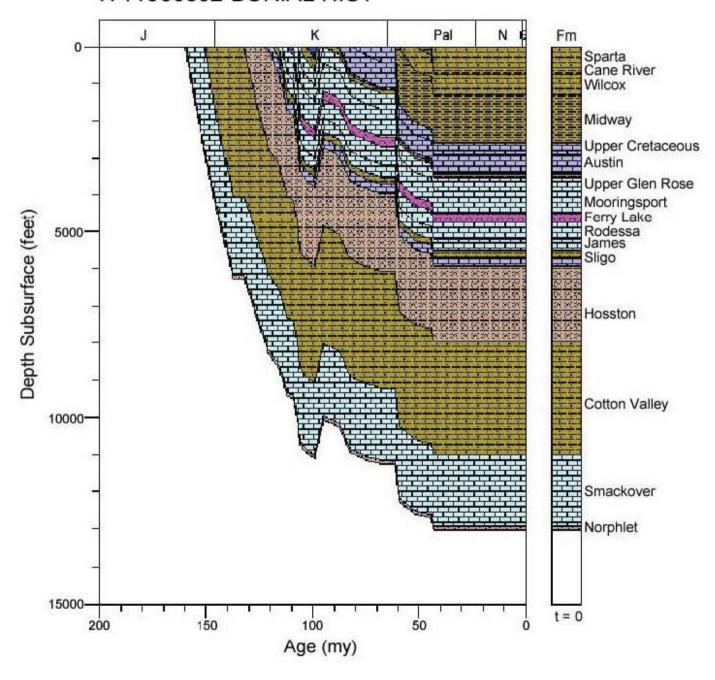


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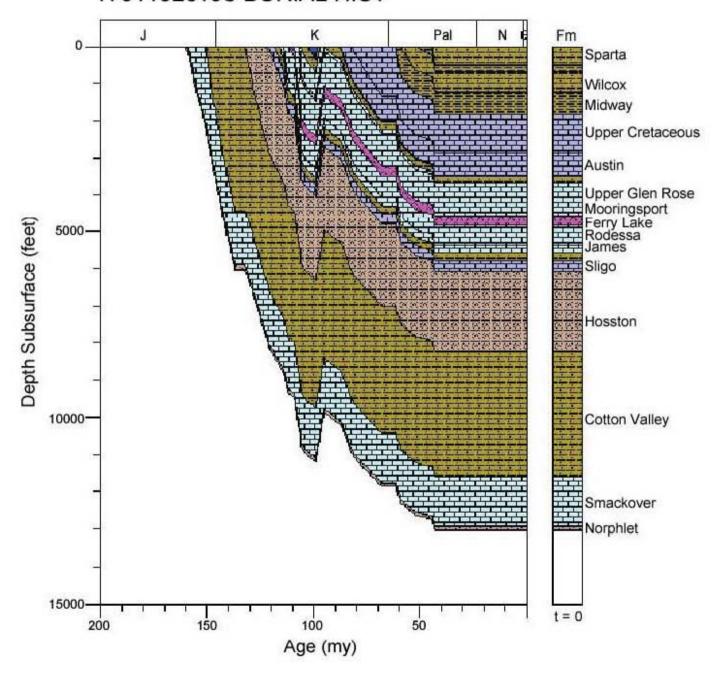


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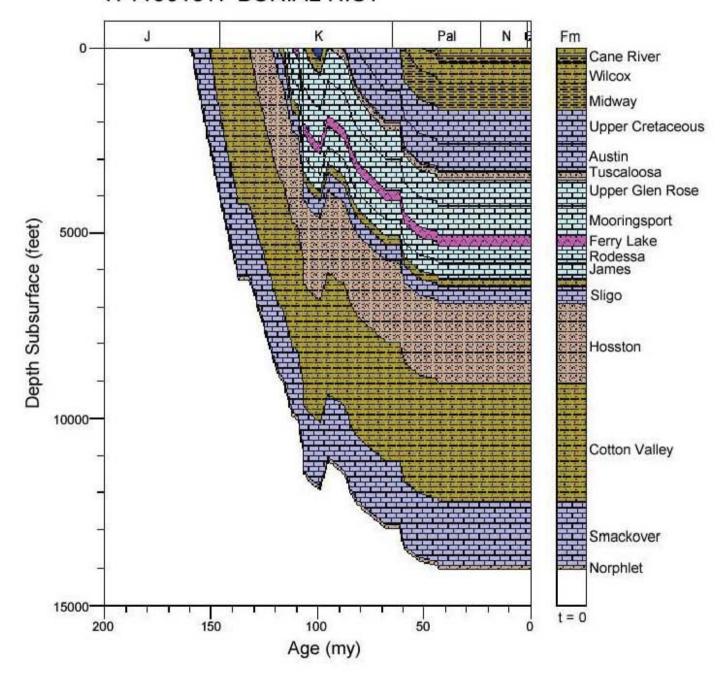


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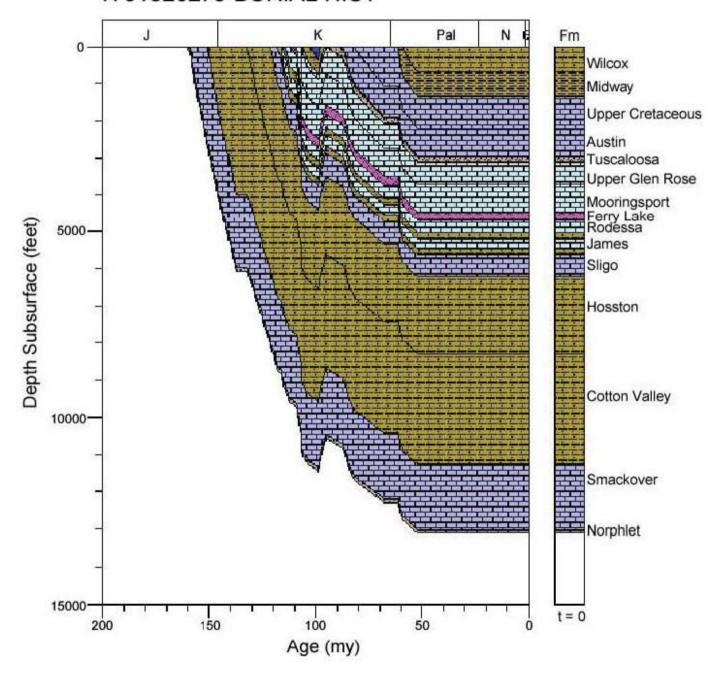


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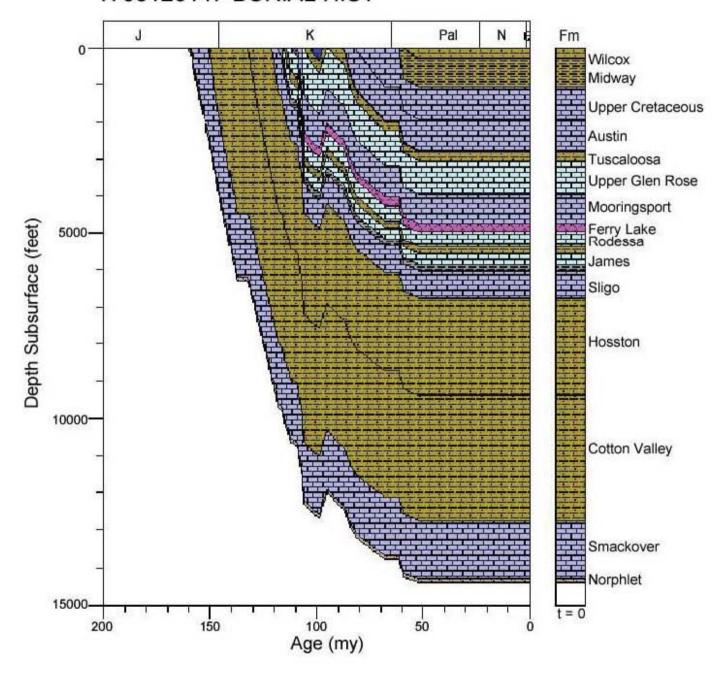


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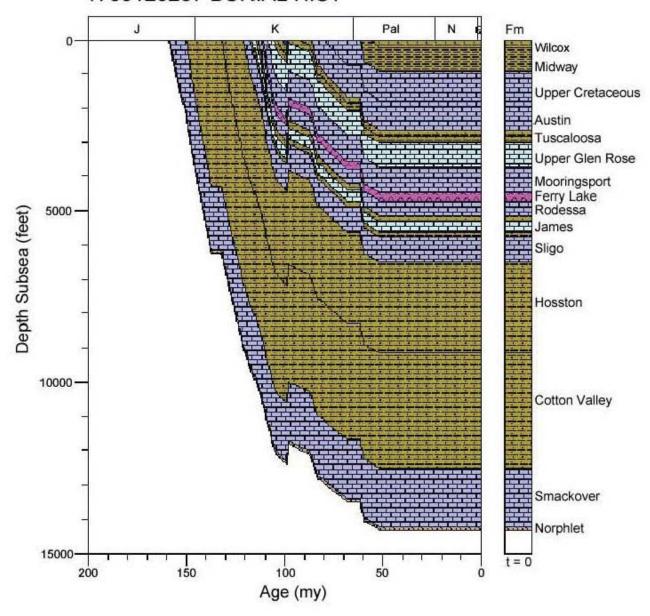


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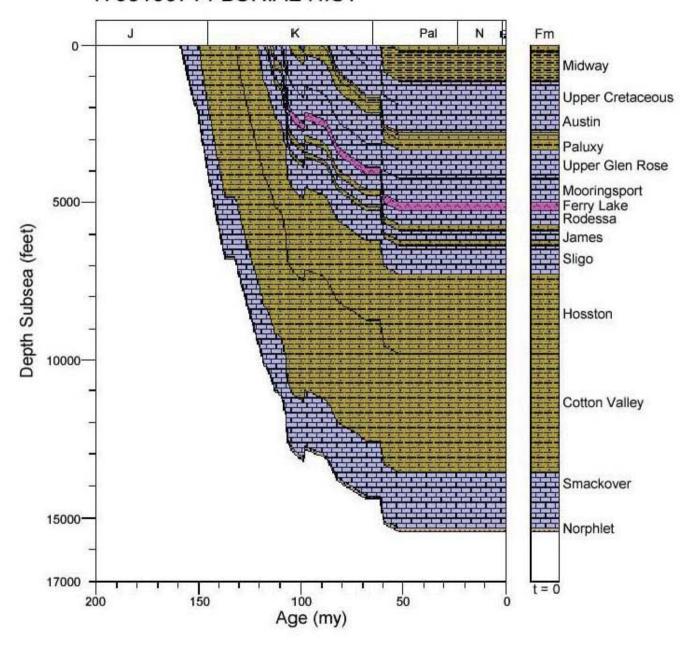


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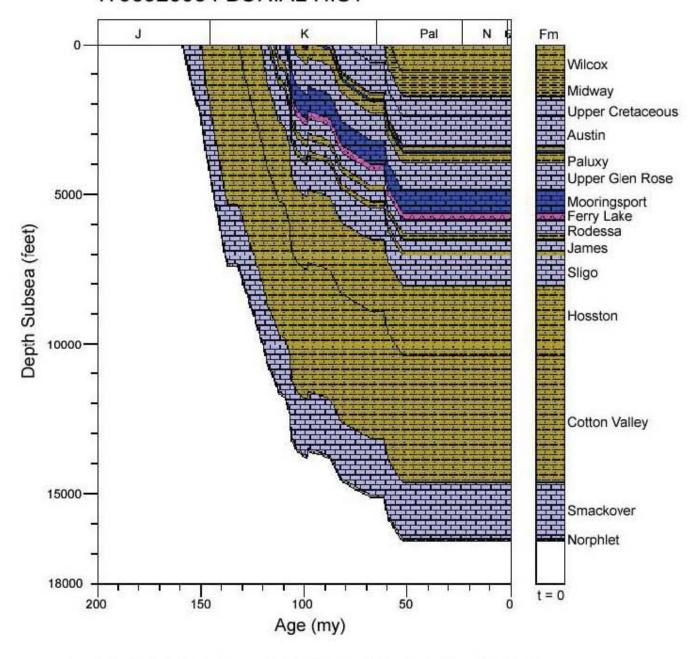


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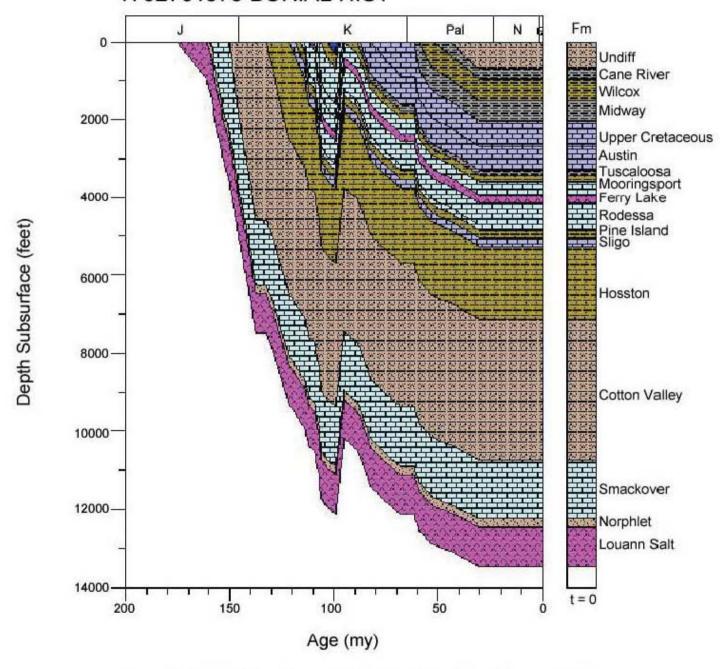


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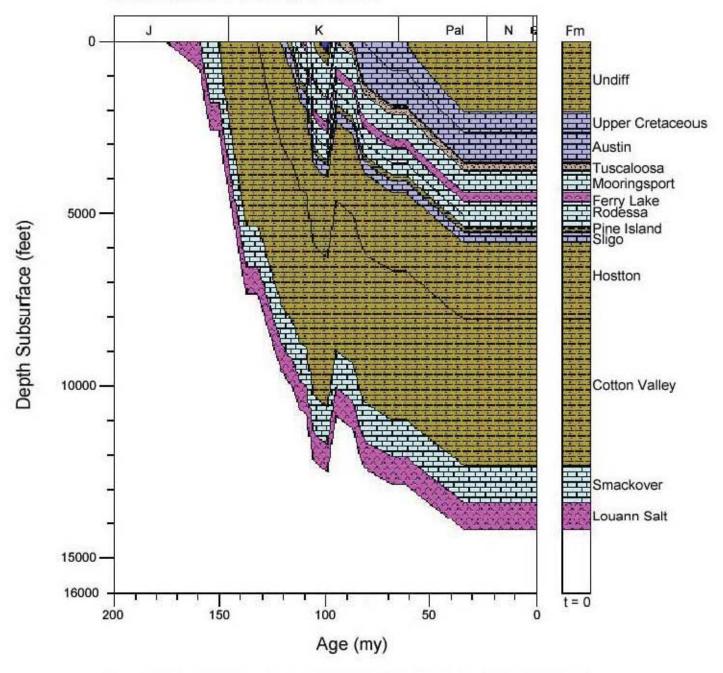


Figure 62. Burial history for well 1702701974, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

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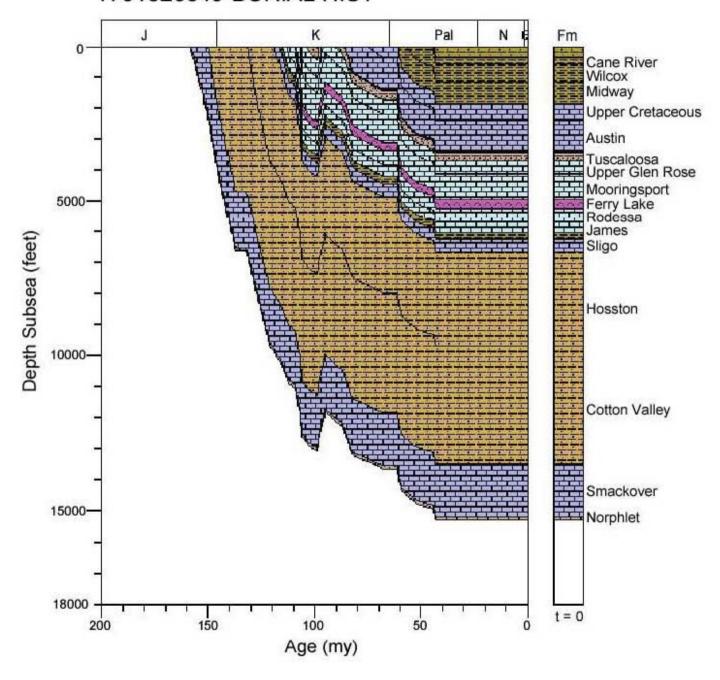


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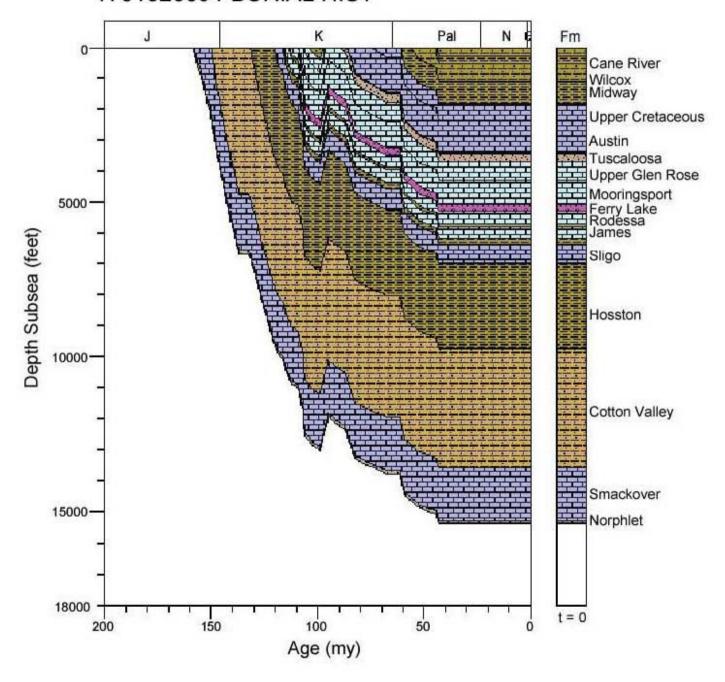


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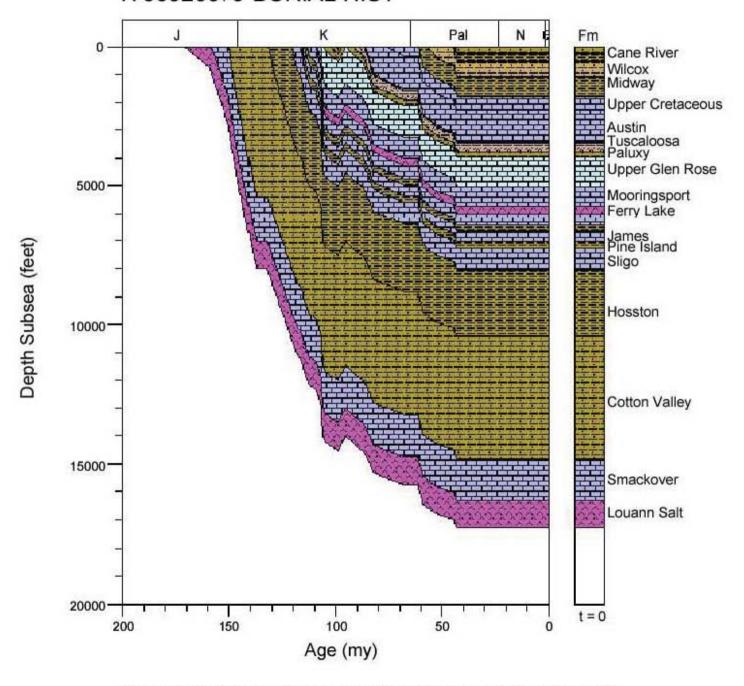


Figure 66. Burial history for well 1706920079, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

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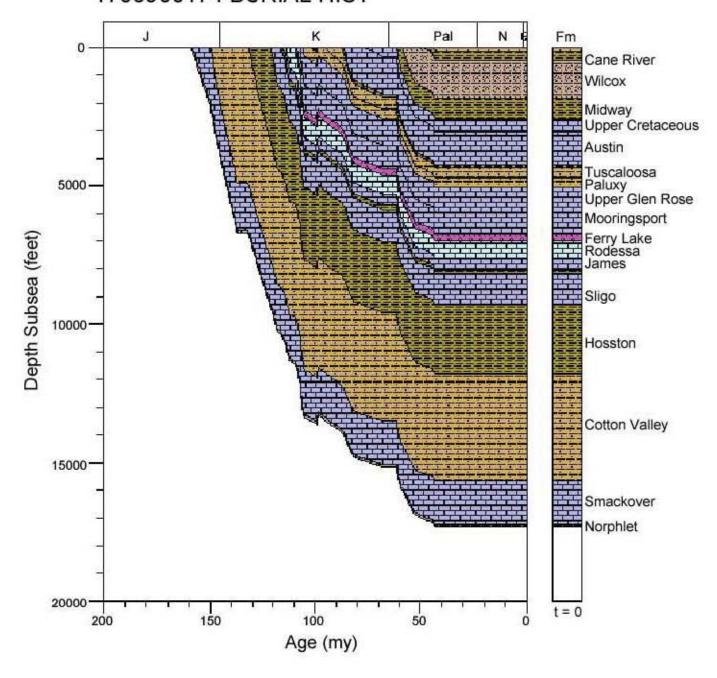


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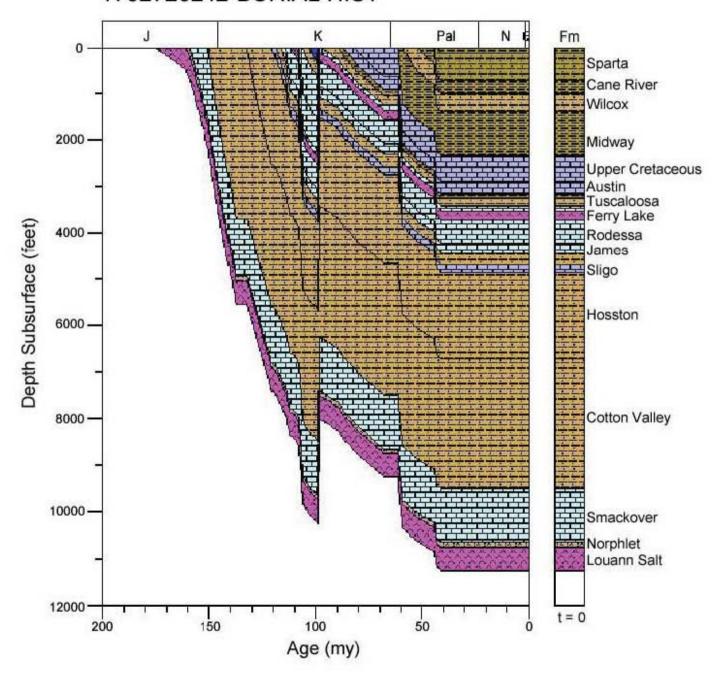


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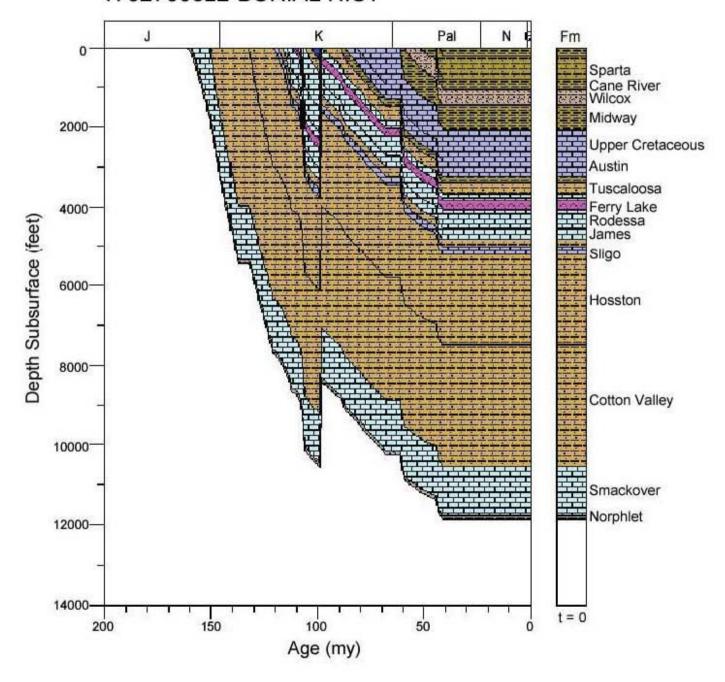


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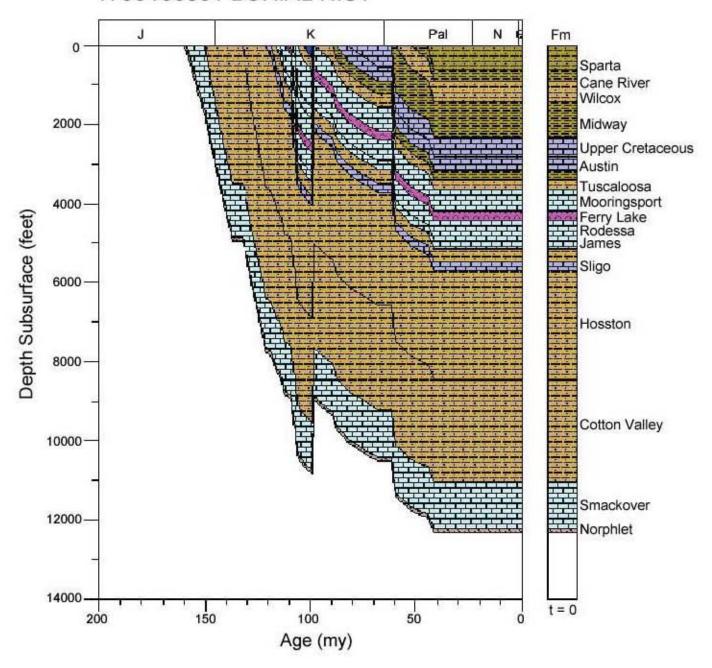


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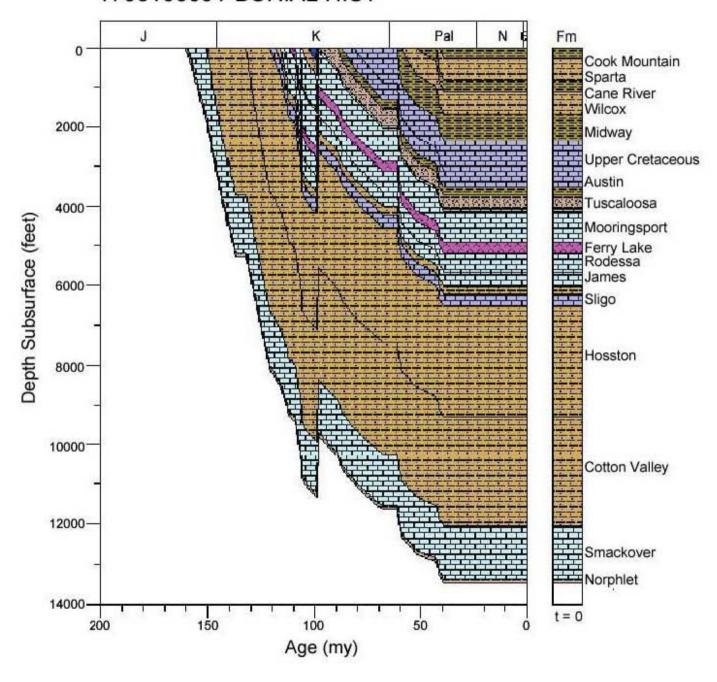


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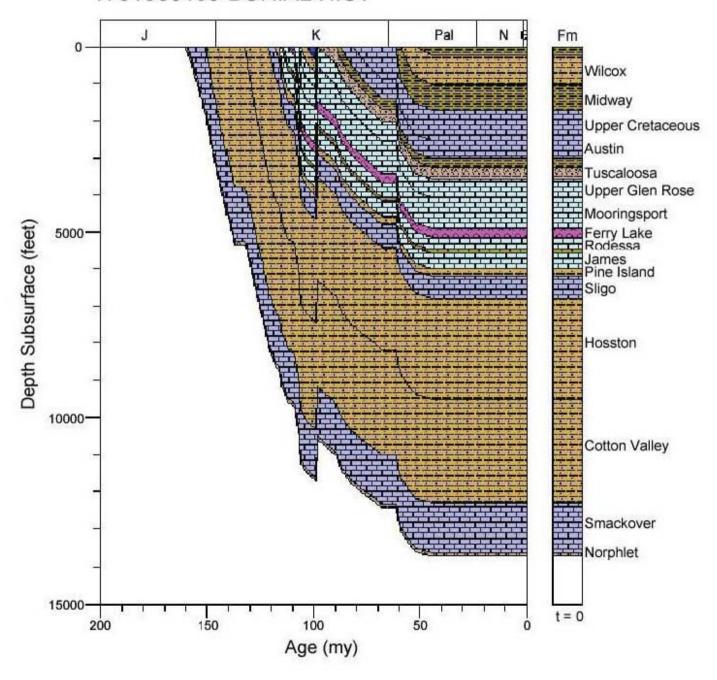


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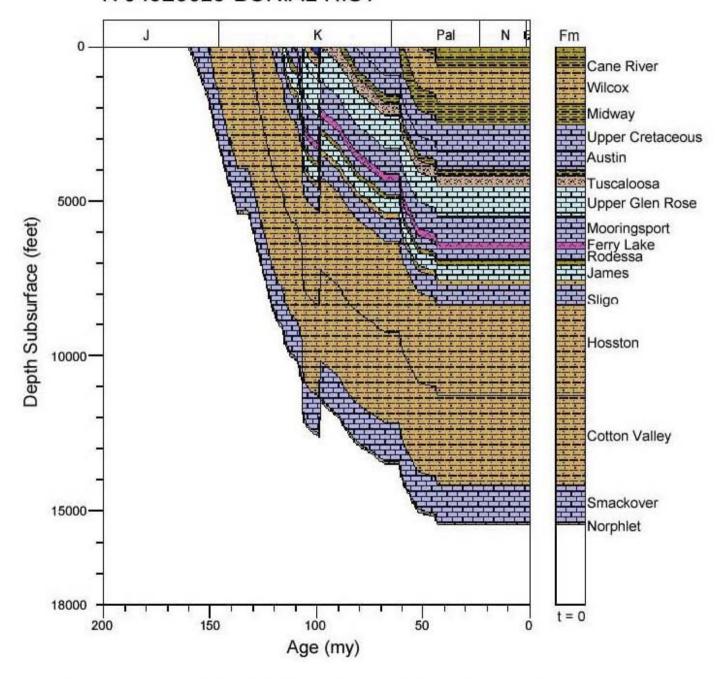


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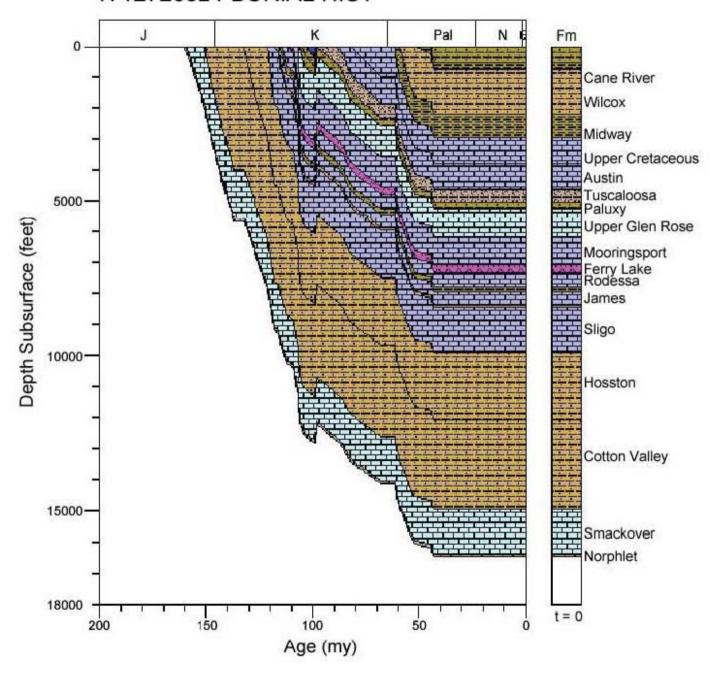


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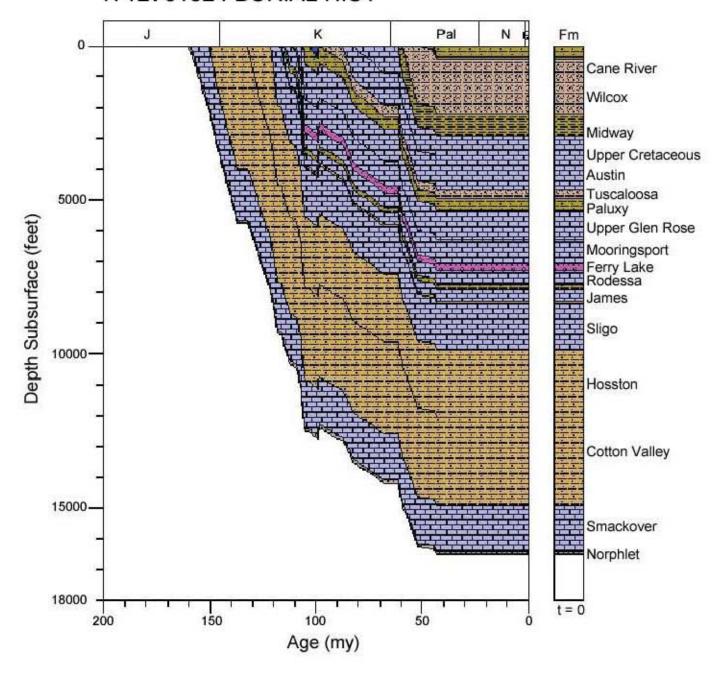


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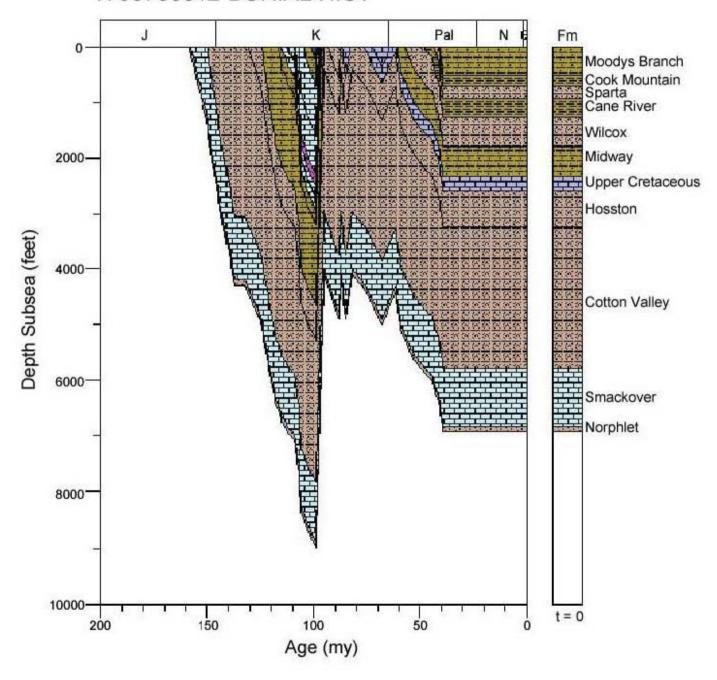


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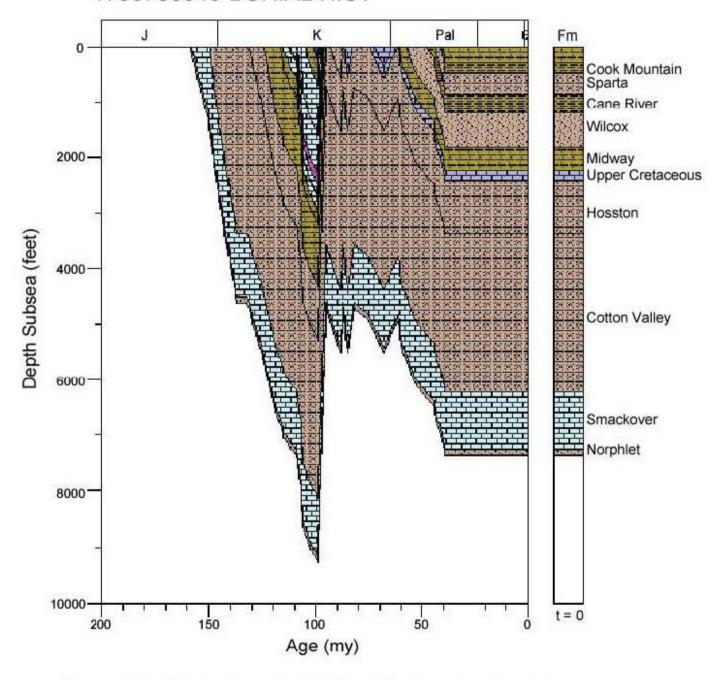


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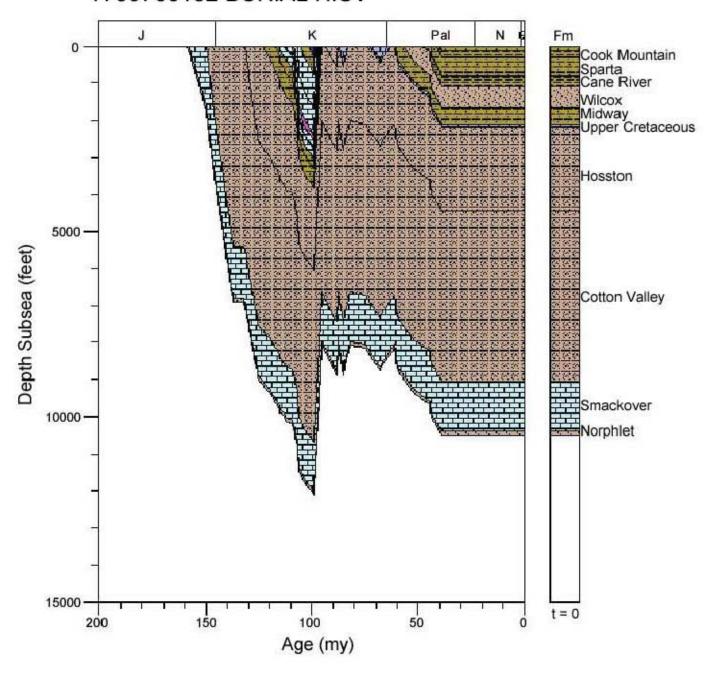


Figure 79. Burial history for well 1706700182, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

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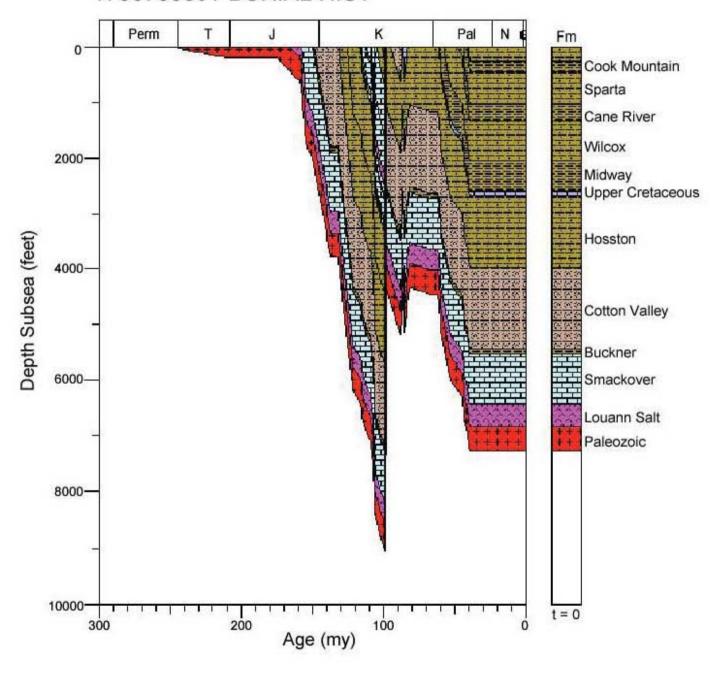


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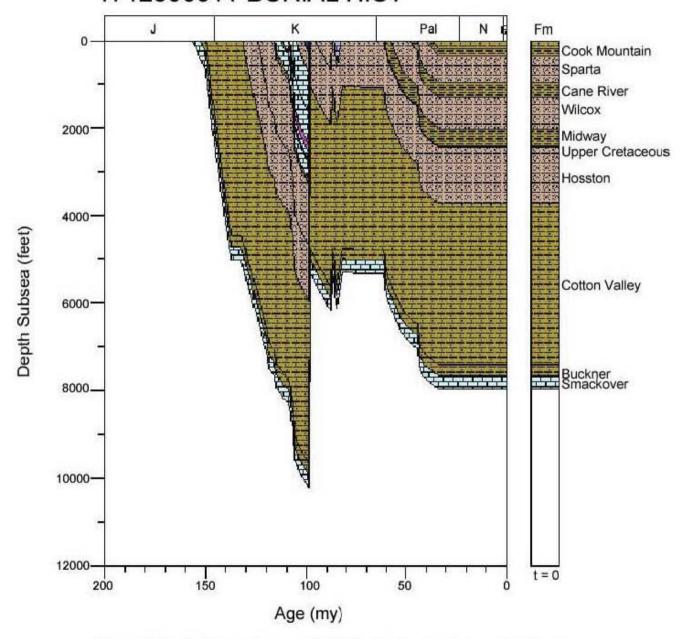
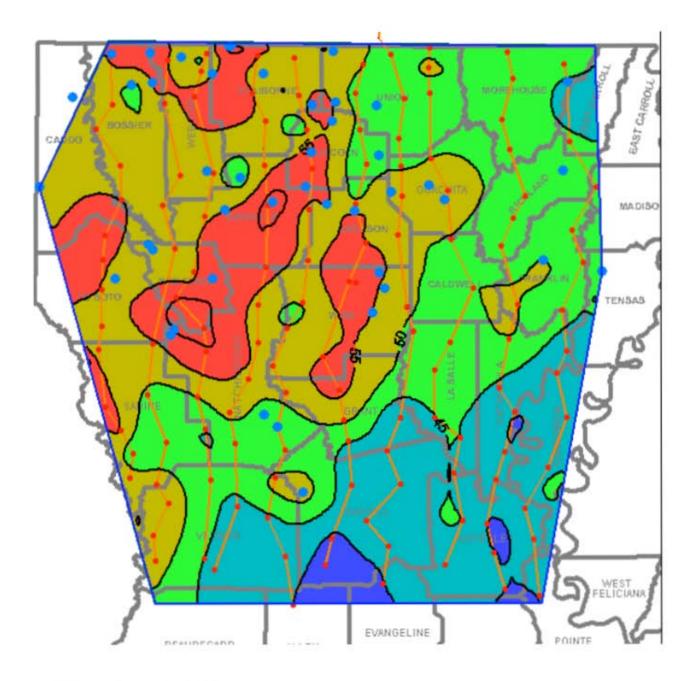


Figure 82. Burial history for well 1712300011, North Louisiana Salt Basin.



- wells w/ BHTs
- wells w/ BHTs & %Ro

55: heat flow value (mW/m²)

Figure 83. Present-day heat flow values. Prepared by Roger Barnaby.

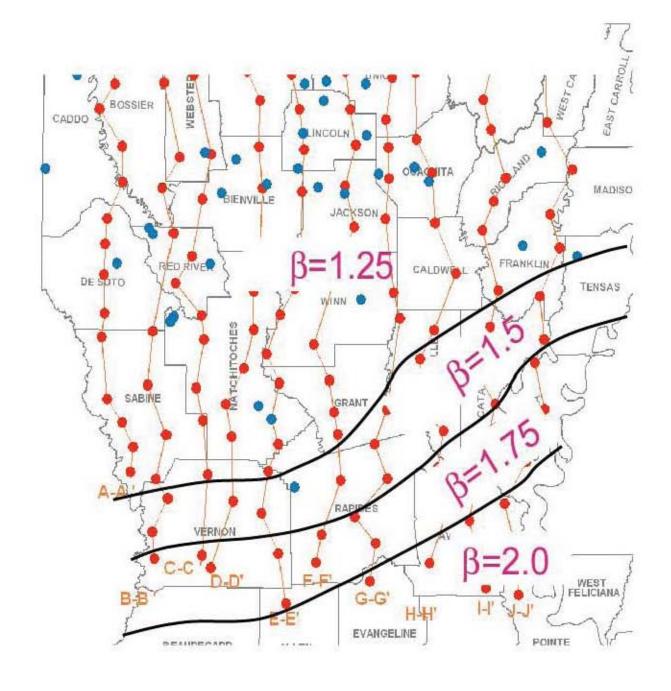


Figure 84. Lithospheric stretching beta factors. Prepared by Roger Barnaby.

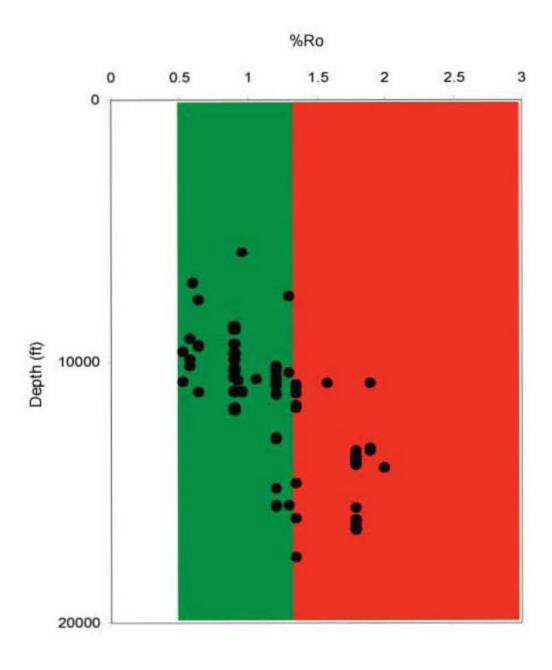


Figure 85. The relationship of vitrinite reflectance and depth. Prepared by Roger Barnaby.

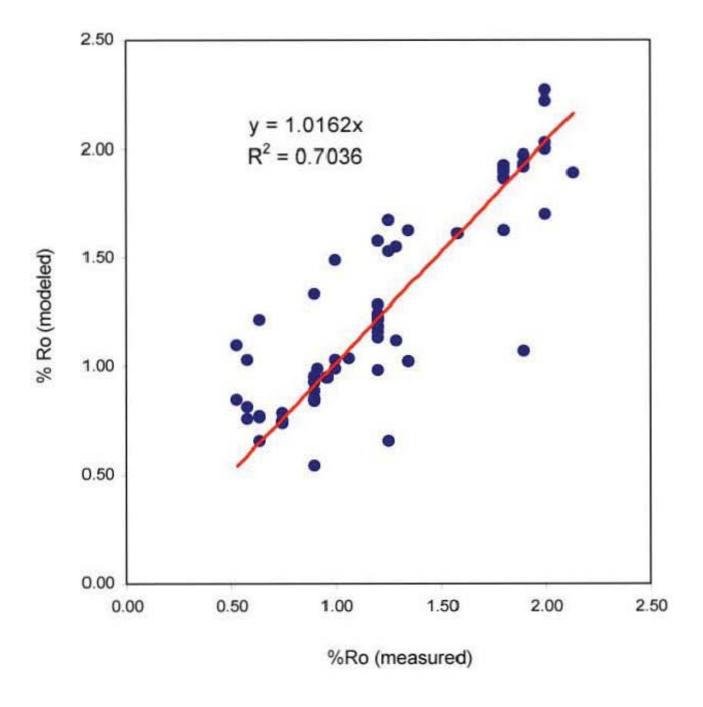


Figure 86. Comparison of the modeled %Ro with measured %Ro. Prepared by Roger Barnaby.

#### 1701521100 MATURITY Pal Fm 0 Wilcox Midway Upper Cretaceous Austin Upper Glen Rose Mooringsport Ferry Lake Rodessa James Sligo 5000 Depth Subsea (feet) Hosston Cotton Valley 10000 Buckner Smackover Norphlet Early Mature (oil) 0.55 to 0.7 (%Ro) Mid Mature (oil) 0.7 to 1 (%Ro) Late Mature (oil) 1 to 1.3 (%Ro) 15000 Main Gas Generation 1.3 to 2.6 (%Ro) t = 0Age (my) 50 150 200

Figure 87. Thermal maturation profile for well 1701521100, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

#### 1701500464 MATURITY Fm Pal N 0 Midway Upper Cretaceous Austin Upper Glen Rose Mooringsport Ferry Lake Rodessa James 5000 Sligo Depth Subsea (feet) Hosston Cotton Valley Buckner Smackover Norphlet 10000 Early Mature (oil) 0.55 to 0.7 (%Ro) Mid Mature (oil) 0.7 to 1 (%Ro) Late Mature (oil) 1 to 1.3 (%Ro) 15000 Main Gas Generation 1.3 to 2.6 (%Ro) t = 0 100 Age (my) 200 150 50

Figure 88. Thermal maturation profile for well 1701500464, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

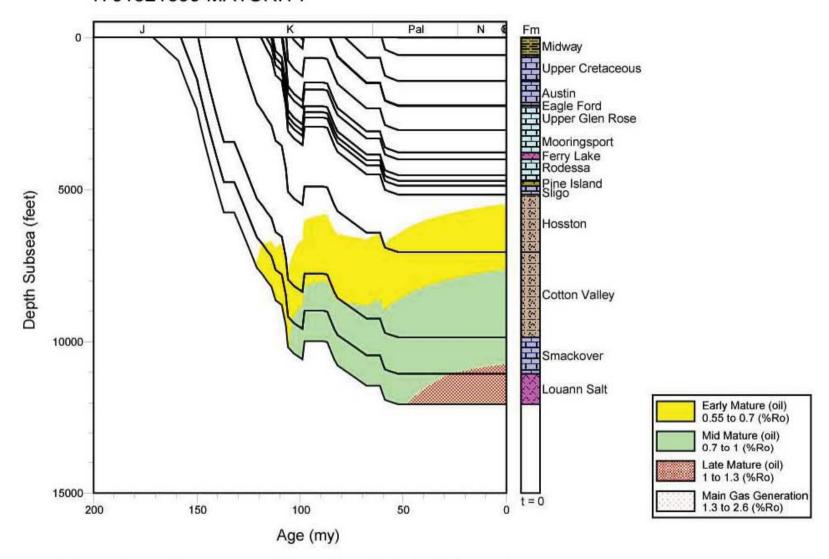


Figure 89. Thermal maturation profile for well 1701521099, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

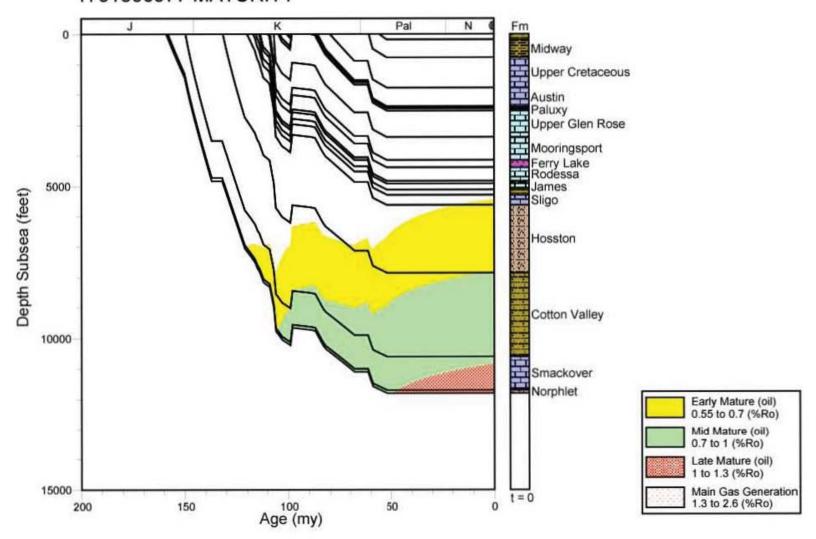


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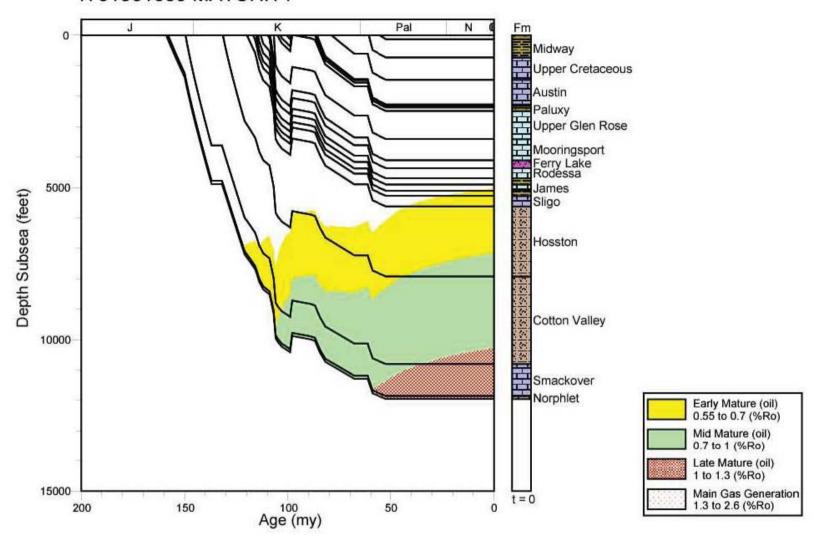


Figure 91. Thermal maturation profile for well 1701501689, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

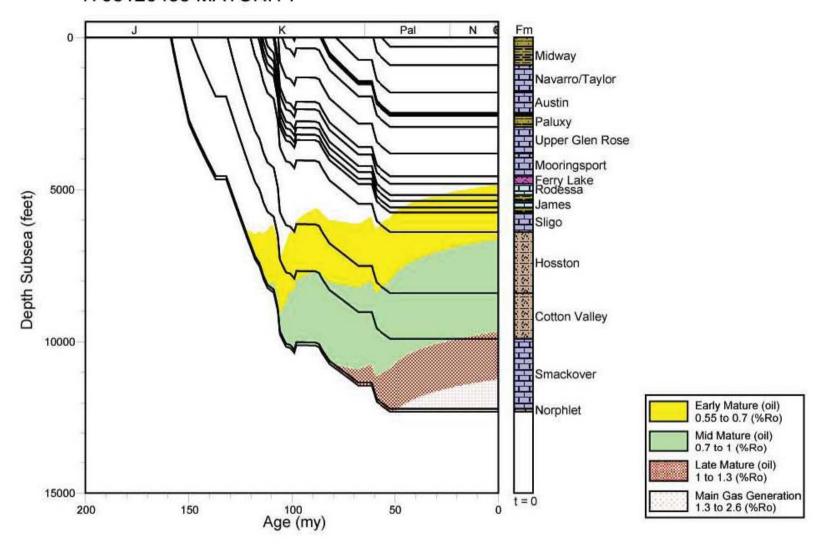


Figure 92. Thermal maturation profile for well 1703120488, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

#### 1703120378 MATURITY Pal 0 Midway Upper Cretaceous Austin Paluxy Upper Glen Rose Mooringsport Ferry Lake Rodessa James Sligo Hosston 5000 Depth Subsea (feet) 10000 Cotton Valley Smackover Norphlet Early Mature (oil) 0.55 to 0.7 (%Ro) Norphlet Mid Mature (oil) 0.7 to 1 (%Ro) Late Mature (oil) 1 to 1.3 (%Ro) 15000 Main Gas Generation 1.3 to 2.6 (%Ro) t = 0 Age (my) 50 150 200

Figure 93. Thermal maturation profile for well 1703120378, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

## 1703100304 MATURITY Pal 0 Midway Upper Cretaceous Austin Washita Fred Paluxy Washita Fred Paluxy Upper Glen Rose Mooringsport Ferry Lake Rodessa James Sligo 5000 Depth Subsea (feet) Hosston Cotton Valley 10000 Smackov Norphlet Smackover Early Mature (oil) 0.55 to 0.7 (%Ro) Mid Mature (oil) 0.7 to 1 (%Ro) Late Mature (oil) 1 to 1.3 (%Ro) 15000 Main Gas Generation t = 0 1.3 to 2.6 (%Ro) Age (my) 150 50 0 200

Figure 94. Thermal maturation profile for well 1703100304, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

## 1703100117 MATURITY Pal N 0 Midway Upper Cretaceous Austin Paluxy Upper Glen Rose Mooringsport Ferry Lake Rodessa James Sligo 5000 Depth Subsea (feet) Hosston Cotton Va Cotton Valley 10000 Smackover Early Mature (oil) 0.55 to 0.7 (%Ro) Mid Mature (oil) 0.7 to 1 (%Ro) Late Mature (oil) 1 to 1.3 (%Ro) 15000 Main Gas Generation 1.3 to 2.6 (%Ro) t = 0 Age (my) 200 150 50

Figure 95. Thermal maturation profile for well 1703100117, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

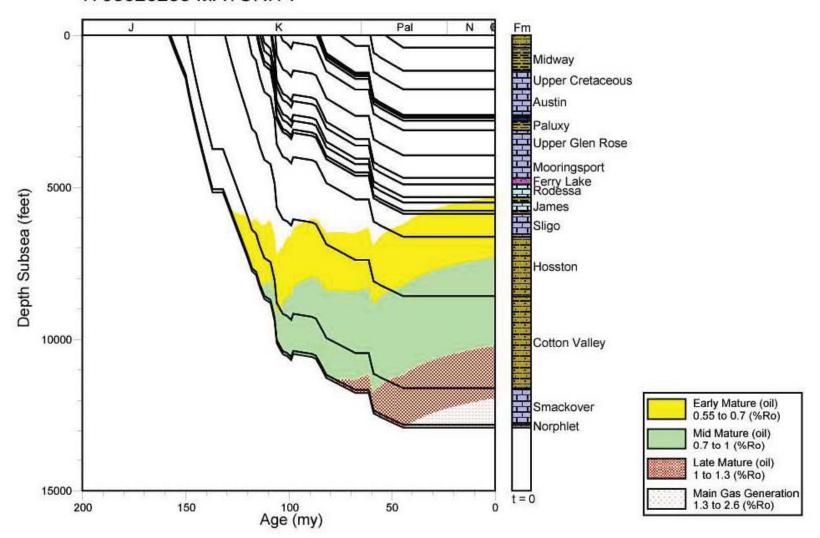


Figure 96. Thermal maturation profile for well 1708520238, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

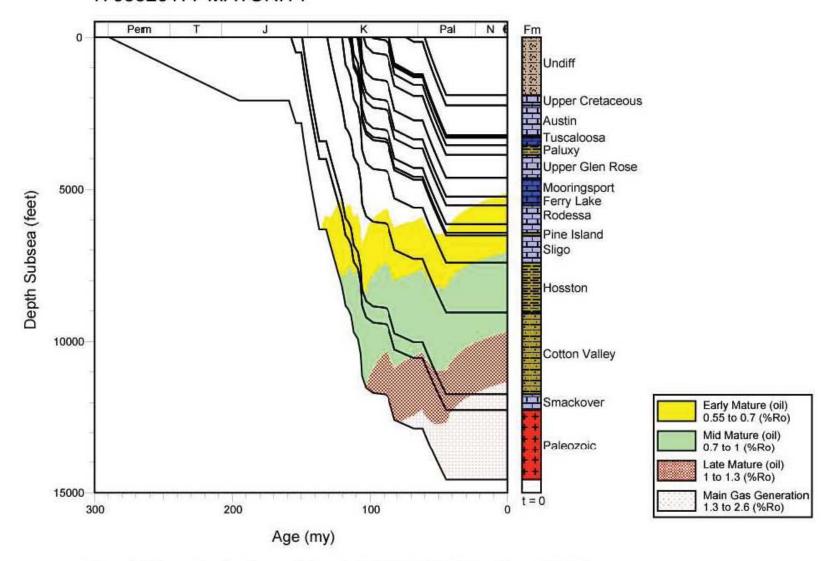


Figure 97. Thermal maturation profile for well 1708520177, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

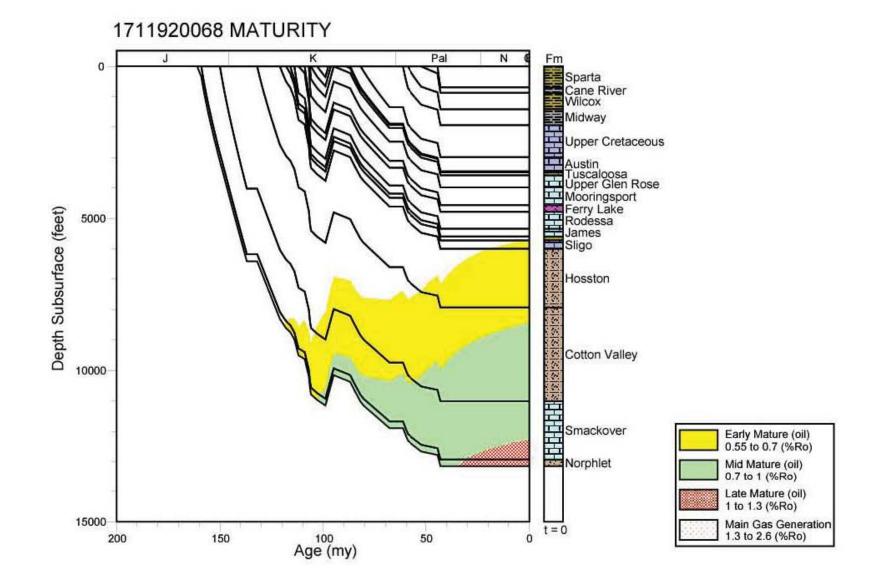


Figure 98. Thermal maturation profile for well 1711920068, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

# 1711900502 MATURITY Pal N 0 Sparta Cane River Wilcox Midway Upper Cretaceous Austin Upper Glen Rose Upper Glen Ro Mooringsport Ferry Lake Rodessa James Sligo Hosston Depth Subsurface (feet) 5000 Cotton Valley 10000 Smackov Smackover Early Mature (oil) 0.55 to 0.7 (%Ro) Mid Mature (oil) 0.7 to 1 (%Ro) Late Mature (oil) 1 to 1.3 (%Ro)

50

t = 0

Main Gas Generation 1.3 to 2.6 (%Ro)

Figure 99. Thermal maturation profile for well 1711900502, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

Age (my)

150

15000

200

#### 1711920195 MATURITY Pal N 0 Sparta Wilcox Midway Upper Cretaceous Austin Upper Glen Ro Mooringsport Ferry Lake Rodessa James Upper Glen Rose Depth Subsurface (feet) 5000 Sligo Hosston Cotton Valley 10000 Smack Norphlet Early Mature (oil) 0.55 to 0.7 (%Ro) Smackover Mid Mature (oil) 0.7 to 1 (%Ro) Late Mature (oil) 1 to 1.3 (%Ro) 15000 Main Gas Generation 1.3 to 2.6 (%Ro) t = 0 Age (my) 150 50 200

Figure 100. Thermal maturation profile for well 1711920195, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

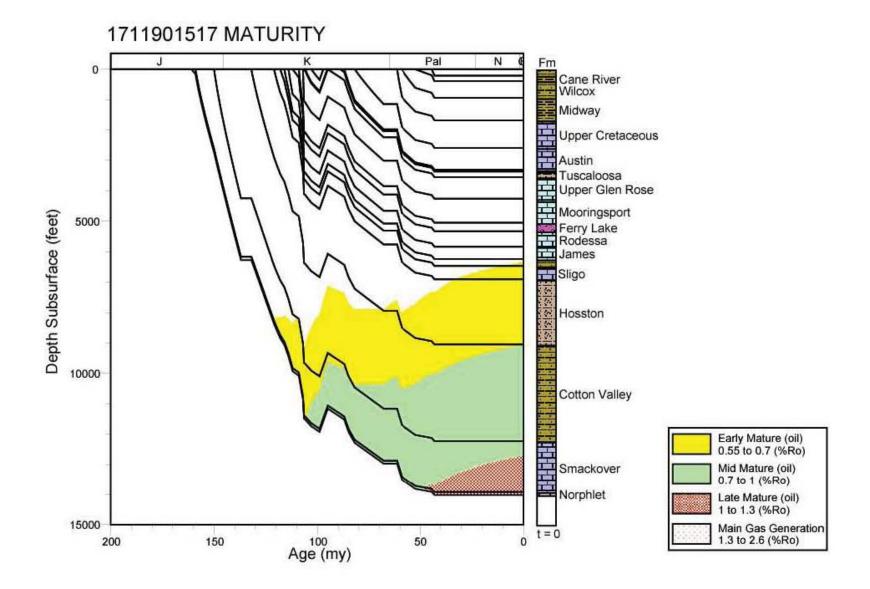


Figure 101. Thermal maturation profile for well 1711901517, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

## 1701320275 MATURITY Pal N Fm 0 Wilcox Midway Upper Cretaceous Austin Tuscaloosa Upper Glen Rose Mooringsport Ferry Lake Rodessa James Sligo Depth Subsurface (feet) 5000 Hosston Cotton Valley 10000 Smackover Early Mature (oil) 0.55 to 0.7 (%Ro) Mid Mature (oil) 0.7 to 1 (%Ro) Late Mature (oil) 1 to 1.3 (%Ro) 15000 Main Gas Generation 1.3 to 2.6 (%Ro) t = 0 Age (my) 50 200 150

Figure 102. Thermal maturation profile for well 1701320275, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

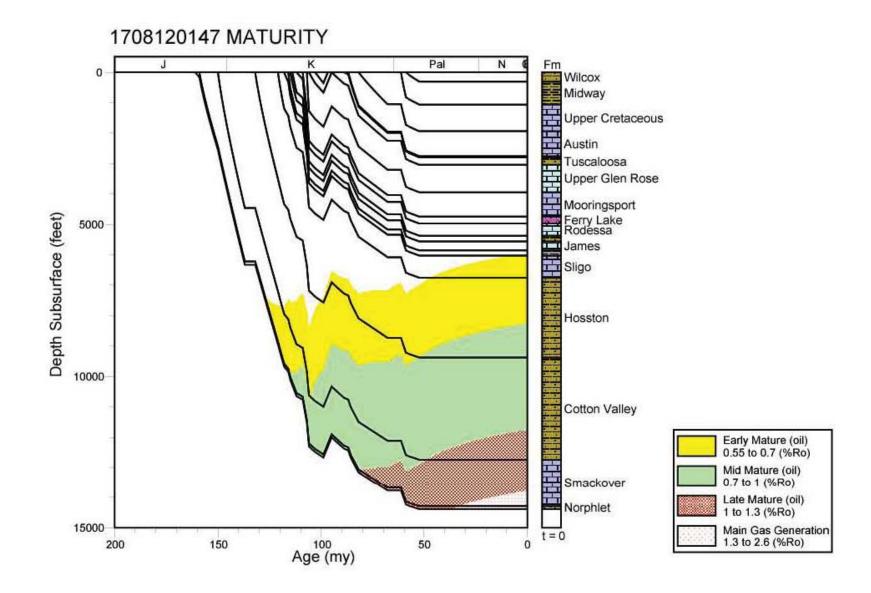


Figure 103. Thermal maturation profile for well 1708120147, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

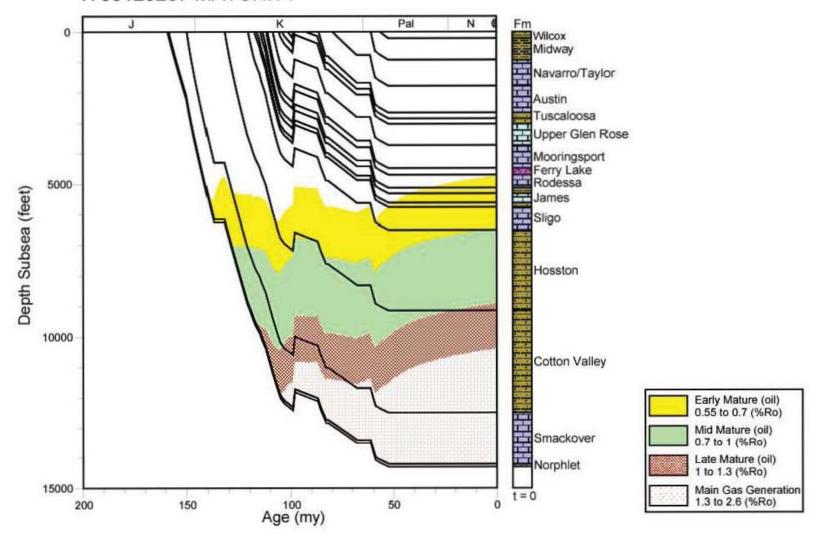


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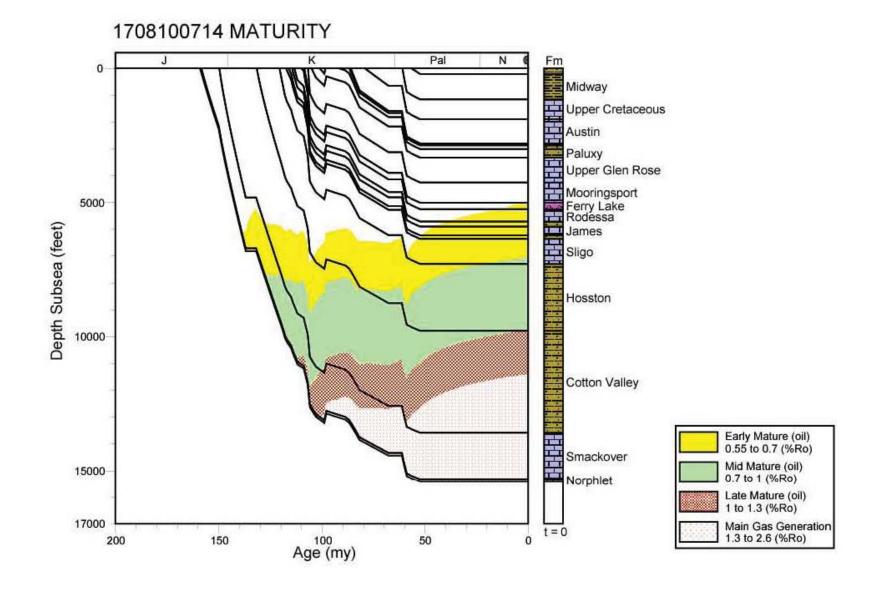


Figure 105. Thermal maturation profile for well 1708100714, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

### 1706920034 MATURITY Pal N 0 Wilcox Midway Upper Cretaceous Austin Paluxy Upper Glen Rose Mooringsport Ferry Lake Rodessa James Sligo 5000 Depth Subsea (feet) Hosston 10000 Cotton Valley Early Mature (oil) 0.55 to 0.7 (%Ro) 15000 Smackover Mid Mature (oil) 0.7 to 1 (%Ro) Norphlet Late Mature (oil) 1 to 1.3 (%Ro) 18000 Main Gas Generation 1.3 to 2.6 (%Ro) t = 0 Age (my) 150 50 200

Figure 106. Thermal maturation profile for well 1706920034, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

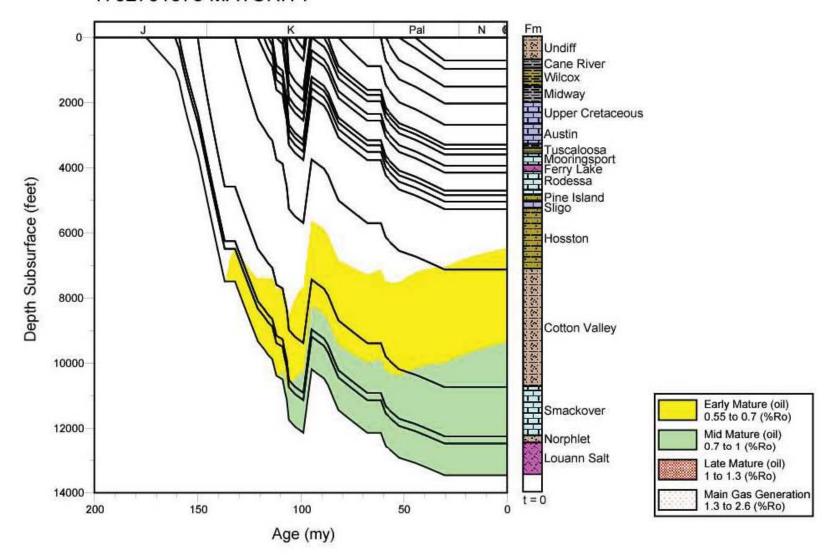


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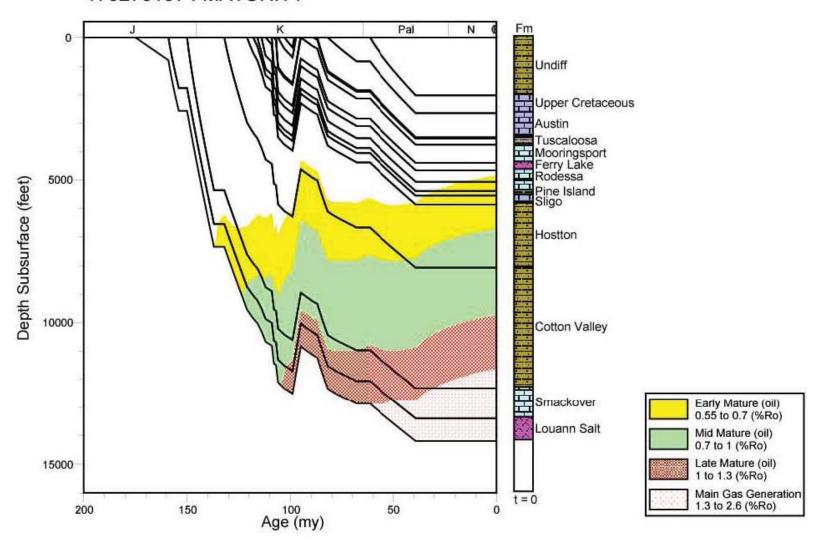


Figure 108. Thermal maturation profile for well 1702701974, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

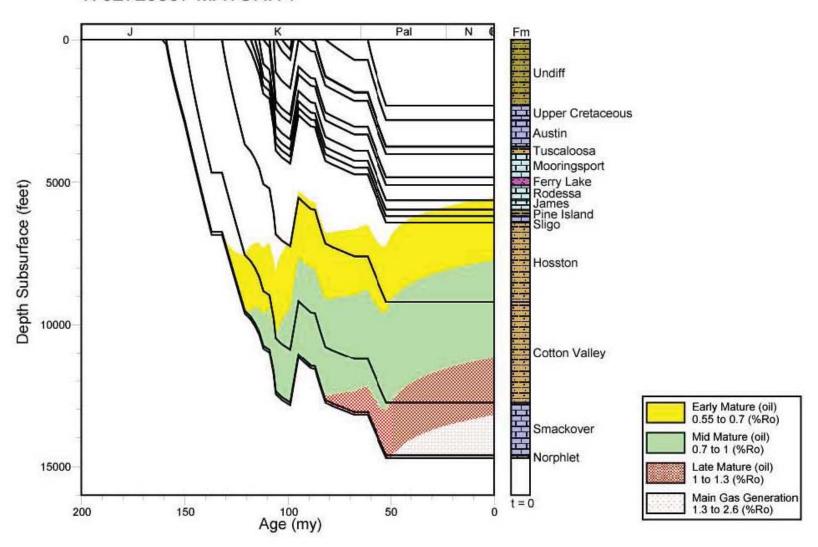


Figure 109. Thermal maturation profile for well 1702720557, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

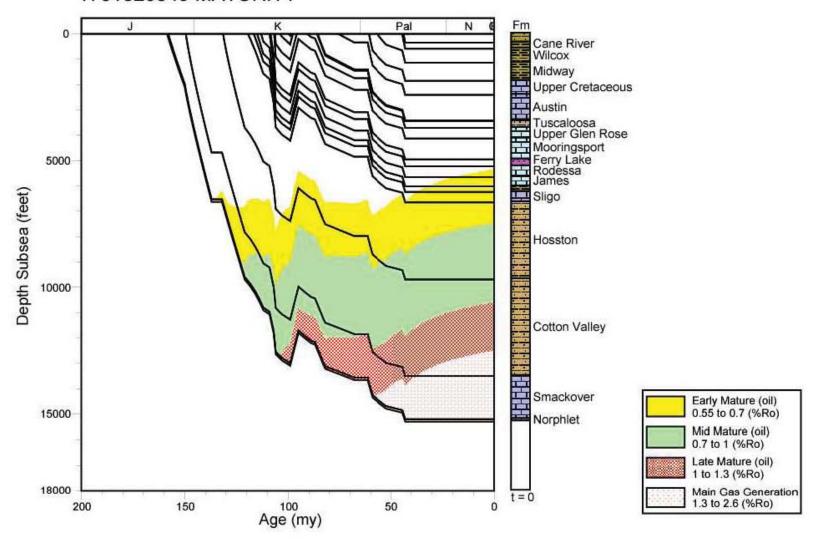


Figure 110. Thermal maturation profile for well 1701320349, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

### 1701320054 MATURITY Pal N Fm 0 Cane River Wilcox Midway Upper Cretaceous Austin Tuscaloosa Upper Glen Rose Mooringsport Eerry Lake Rodessa 5000 James Depth Subsea (feet) Sligo Hosston 10000 Cotton Valley Smackover Early Mature (oil) 0.55 to 0.7 (%Ro) 15000 Norphlet Mid Mature (oil) 0.7 to 1 (%Ro) Late Mature (oil) 1 to 1.3 (%Ro) 18000 Main Gas Generation 1.3 to 2.6 (%Ro) t = 0 Age (my) 200 150 50

Figure 111. Thermal maturation profile for well 1701320054, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

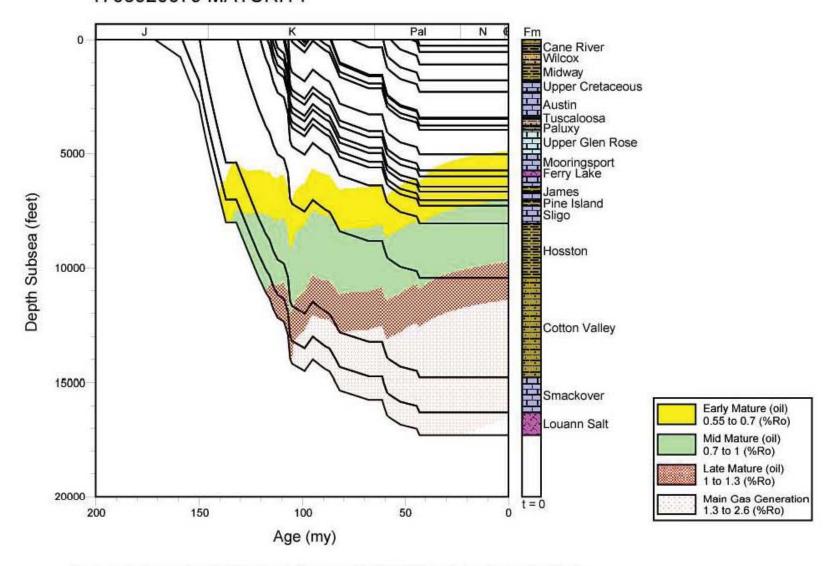


Figure 112. Thermal maturation profile for well 1706920079, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

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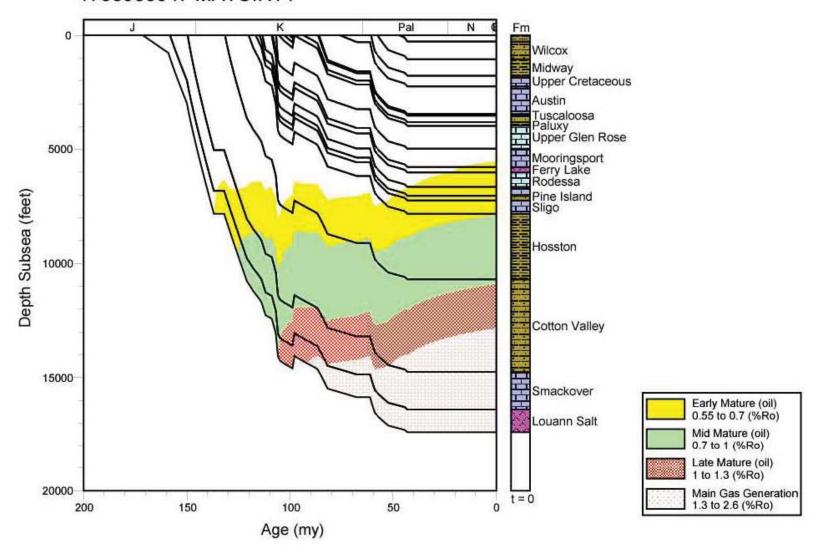


Figure 113. Thermal maturation profile for well 1706900047, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

## 1706900174 MATURITY Pal 0 Cane River Wilcox Midway Upper ( Midway Upper Cretaceous Tuscaloosa 5000 Paluxy Upper Glen Rose Mooringsport Ferry Lake Rodessa James Depth Subsea (feet) Sligo 10000 Hosston Cotton Valley 15000 Early Mature (oil) 0.55 to 0.7 (%Ro) Smackover Norphlet Mid Mature (oil) 0.7 to 1 (%Ro) Late Mature (oil) 1 to 1.3 (%Ro)

50

t = 0

0

Main Gas Generation 1.3 to 2.6 (%Ro)

Figure 114. Thermal maturation profile for well 1706900174, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

100 Age (my)

20000

200

150

#### 1702720242 MATURITY Pal N 0 Sparta Cane River Wilcox Midway 2000 Upper Creta Austin Tuscaloosa Ferry Lake Upper Cretaceous Depth Subsurface (feet) Rodessa 4000 Sligo Hosston 6000 8000 Cotton Valley Smackover Norphlet Louann Salt Early Mature (oil) 0.55 to 0.7 (%Ro) 10000 Mid Mature (oil) 0.7 to 1 (%Ro) Late Mature (oil) 1 to 1.3 (%Ro) 12000 Main Gas Generation 1.3 to 2.6 (%Ro) t = 0 Age (my) 200 150 50

Figure 115. Thermal maturation profile for well 1702720242, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

#### 1702700522 MATURITY Pal N Fm Sparta Cane River Wilcox Midway 2000 Upper Cretaceous Tuscaloosa Ferry Lake Rodessa James 4000 Depth Subsurface (feet) Sligo 6000 Hosston 8000 Cotton Valley 10000 Smackover Norphlet Early Mature (oil) 0.55 to 0.7 (%Ro) 12000 Mid Mature (oil) 0.7 to 1 (%Ro) Late Mature (oil) 1 to 1.3 (%Ro) 14000 Main Gas Generation 1.3 to 2.6 (%Ro) t = 0 Age (my) 200 150 50

Figure 116. Thermal maturation profile for well 1702700522, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

#### 1706100051 MATURITY Pal N 0 Sparta Cane River Wilcox Midway 2000 Upper Cretaceous Austin Tuscaloosa Tuscaloosa Mooringsport Ferry Lake Rodessa James 4000 Depth Subsurface (feet) Sligo 6000 Hosston 8000 Cotton Valley 10000 Smackover Early Mature (oil) 0.55 to 0.7 (%Ro) 12000 Mid Mature (oil) 0.7 to 1 (%Ro) Norphlet Late Mature (oil) 1 to 1.3 (%Ro) 14000 Main Gas Generation t = 0 Age (my) 1.3 to 2.6 (%Ro) 150 200 50

Figure 117. Thermal maturation profile for well 1706100051, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

#### 1706100091 MATURITY Pal N Fm 0 Cook Mountain Sparta Cane River Wilcox Midway 2000 Upper Cretaceous Austin Tuscaloosa 4000 Mooringsport Depth Subsurface (feet) Ferry Lake Rodessa James 6000 Sligo Hosston 8000 10000 Cotton Valley Early Mature (oil) 0.55 to 0.7 (%Ro) 12000 Mid Mature (oil) 0.7 to 1 (%Ro) Smackover Late Mature (oil) 1 to 1.3 (%Ro) Norphlet 14000 Main Gas Generation 1.3 to 2.6 (%Ro) t = 0 Age (my) 150 50 200

Figure 118. Thermal maturation profile for well 1706100091, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

## 1701300138 MATURITY Pal N Fm 0 Wilcox Midway Upper Cretaceous Austin Tuscaloosa Upper Glen Rose Mooringsport Ferry Lake Rodessa James Pine Island Sligo Depth Subsurface (feet) 5000 Hosston 10000 Cotton Valley Early Mature (oil) 0.55 to 0.7 (%Ro) Smackover Mid Mature (oil) 0.7 to 1 (%Ro) Norphlet Late Mature (oil) 1 to 1.3 (%Ro) 15000 Main Gas Generation 1.3 to 2.6 (%Ro) t = 0 Age (my) 50 200 150

Figure 119. Thermal maturation profile for well 1701300138, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

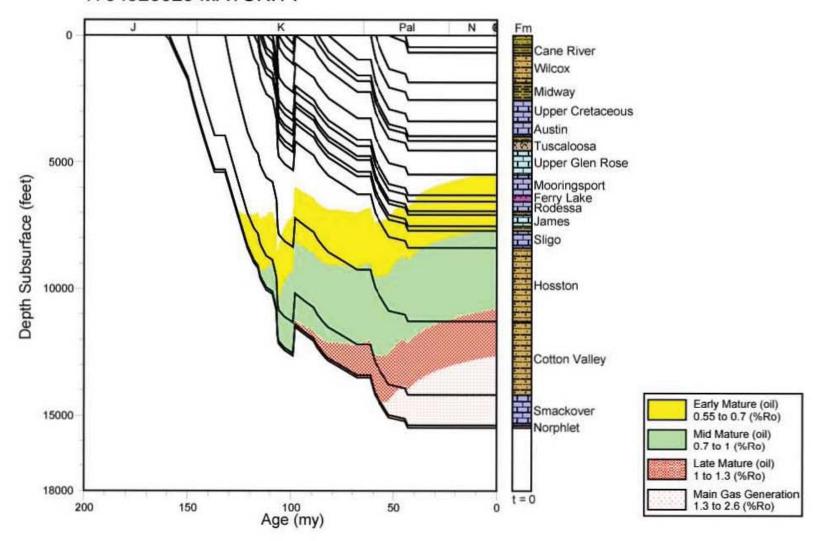


Figure 120. Thermal maturation profile for well 1704920029, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

# 1712720324 MATURITY Pal N Fm Cane River Wilcox Midway Upper Cretaceous Austin Tuscaloosa Paluxy Upper Glen Rose 5000 Depth Subsurface (feet) Mooringsport Ferry Lake Rodessa James Sligo 10000 Hosston Cotton Valley Early Mature (oil) 0.55 to 0.7 (%Ro) 15000 Smackover Mid Mature (oil) 0.7 to 1 (%Ro) Norphiet

50

t = 0

Late Mature (oil) 1 to 1.3 (%Ro)

Main Gas Generation 1.3 to 2.6 (%Ro)

Figure 121. Thermal maturation profile for well 1712720324, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

100 Age (my)

18000

200

150

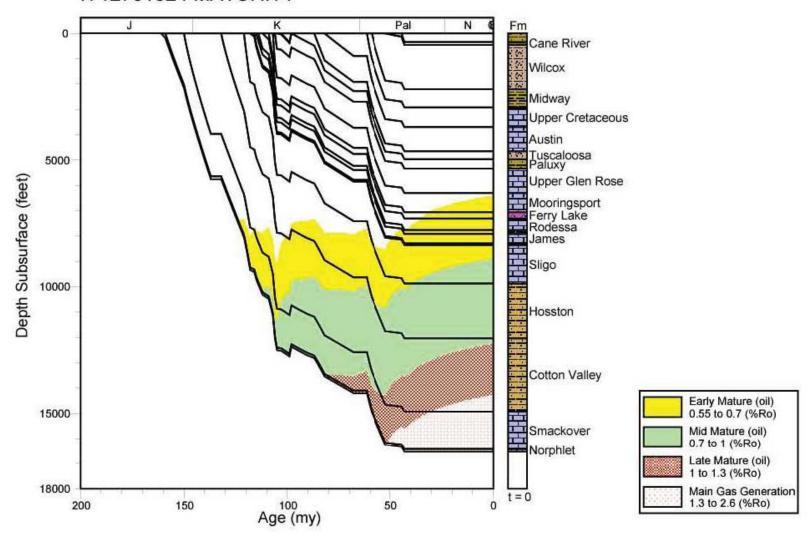


Figure 122. Thermal maturation profile for well 1712701324, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

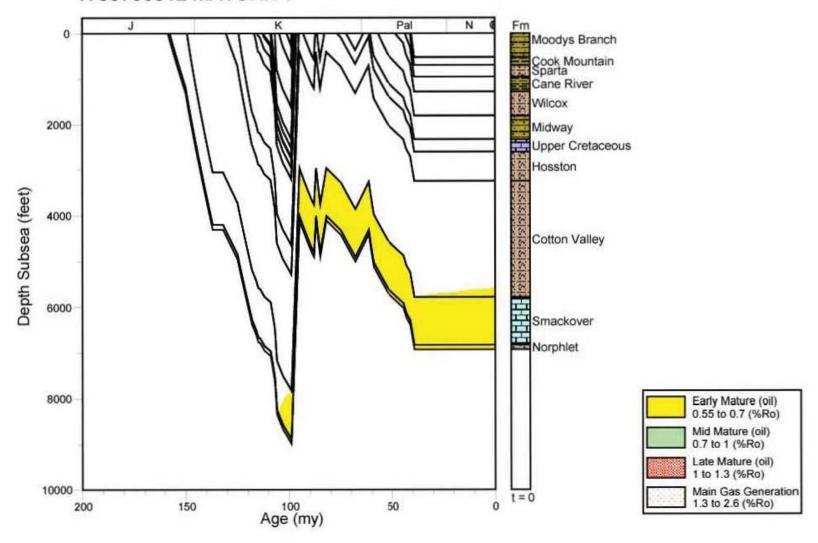


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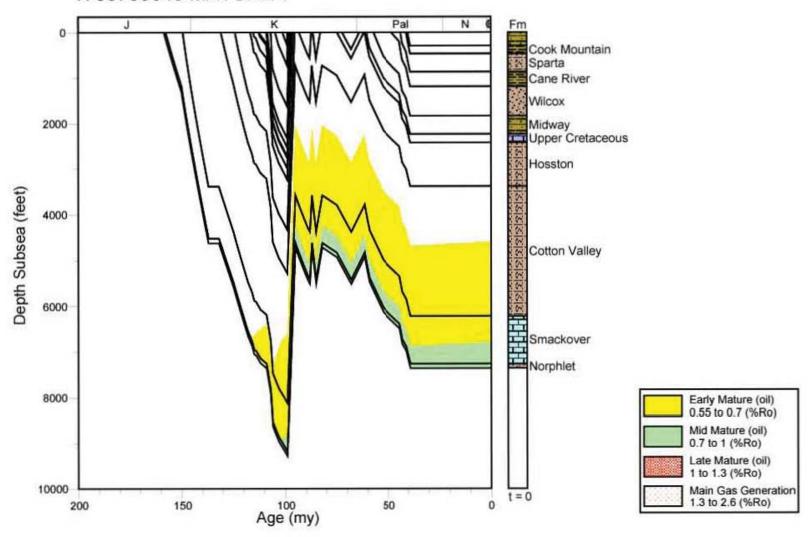


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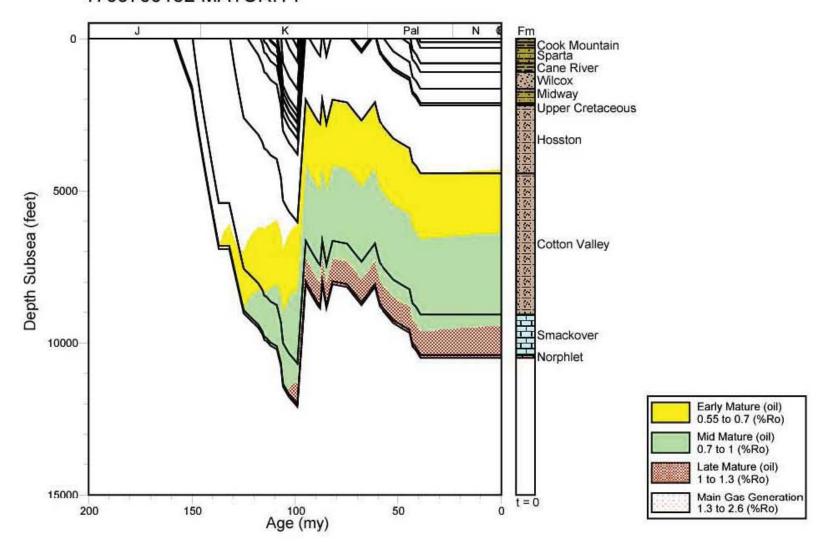


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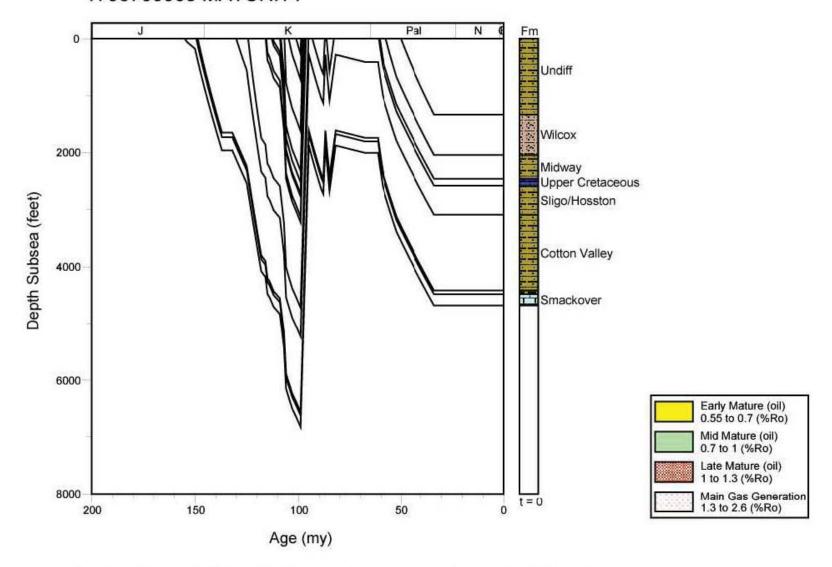


Figure 126. Thermal maturation profile for well 1706700008, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

#### 1706700061 MATURITY Pal Perm 0 Cook Mountain Sparta Cane River Wilcox 2000 Midway Upper Cretaceous Hosston Depth Subsea (feet) 4000 Cotton Valley Buckner Smackover 6000 Louann Salt Paleozoic 8000 Early Mature (oil) 0.55 to 0.7 (%Ro) Mid Mature (oil) 0.7 to 1 (%Ro) Late Mature (oil) 1 to 1.3 (%Ro) Main Gas Generation 1.3 to 2.6 (%Ro) 10000 200 100 300 Age (my)

Figure 127. Thermal maturation profile for well 1706700061, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

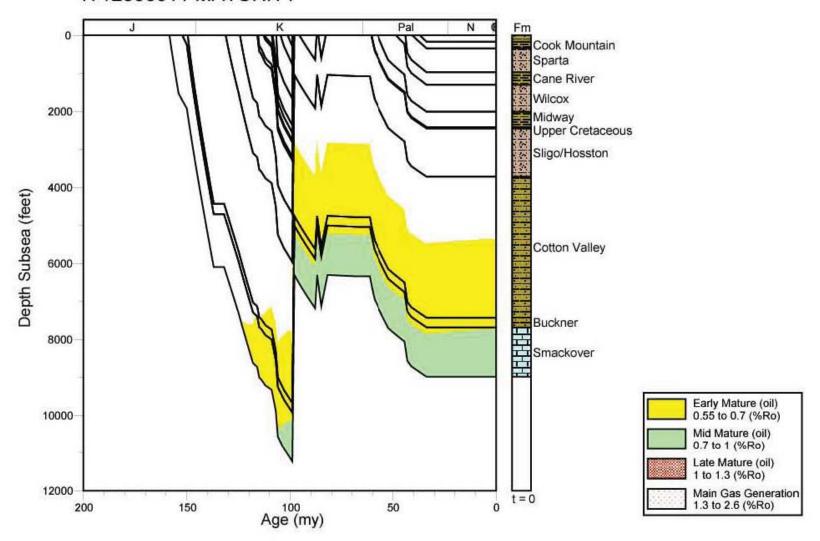


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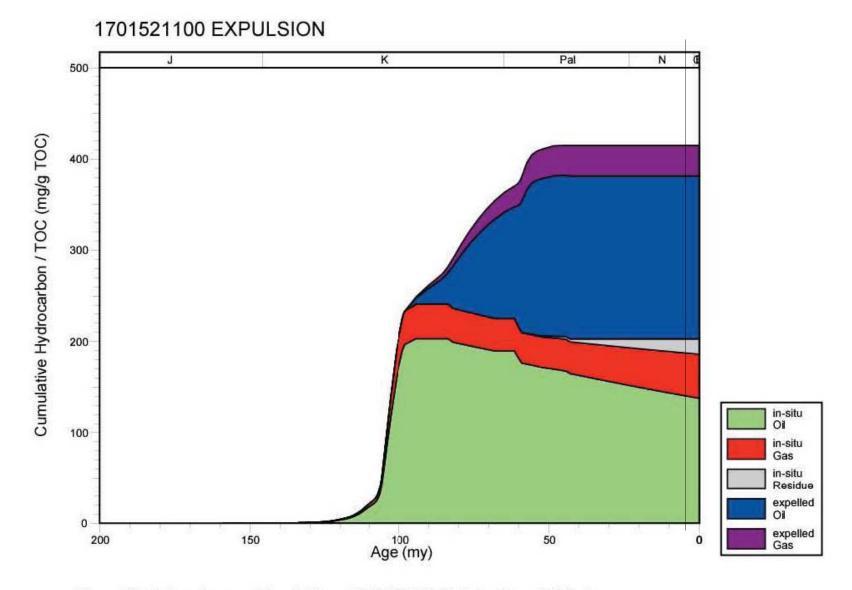


Figure 129. Hydrocarbon expulsion plot for well 1701521100, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

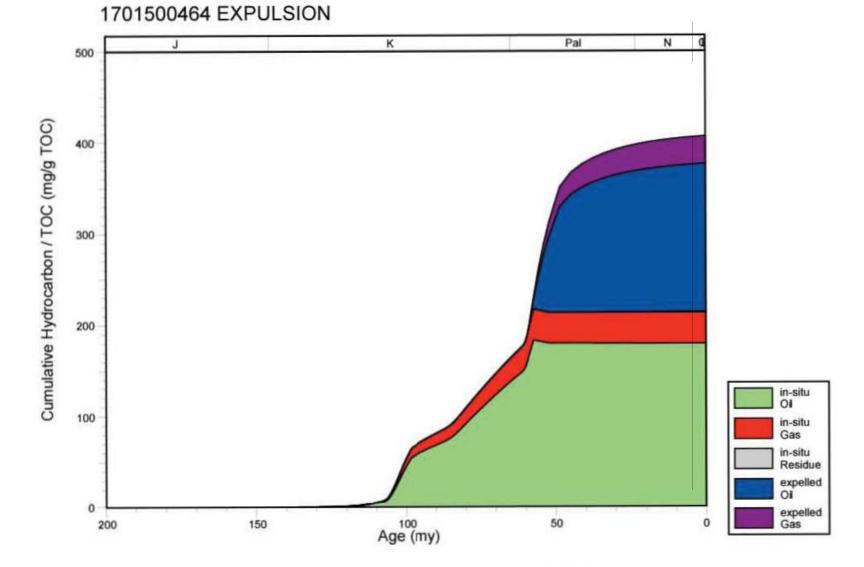


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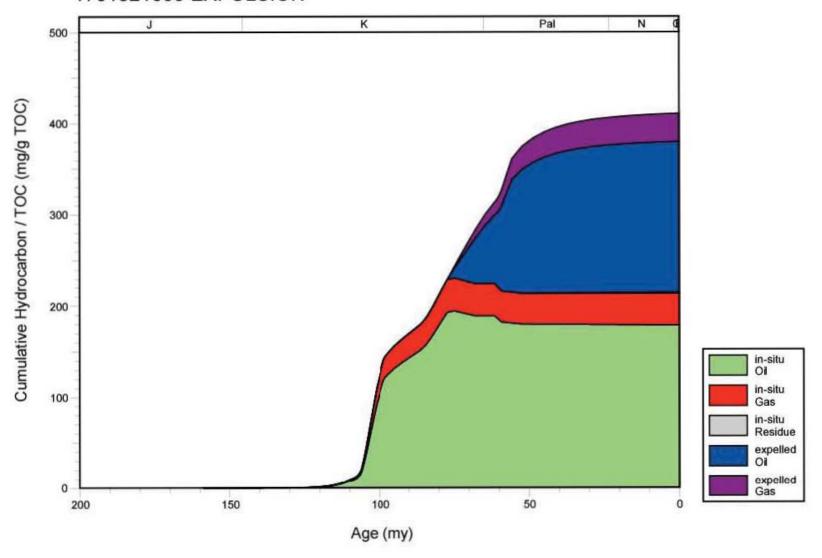


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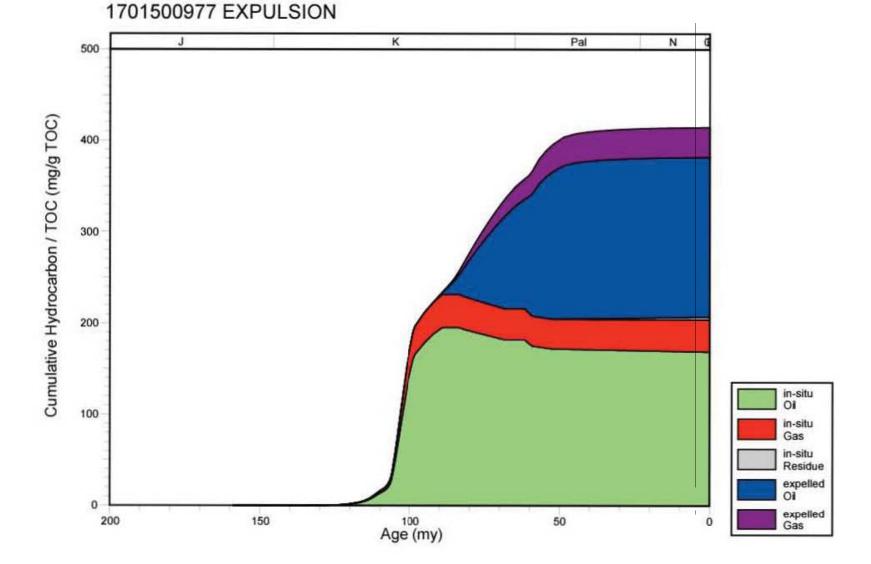


Figure 132. Hydrocarbon expulsion plot for well 1701500977, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

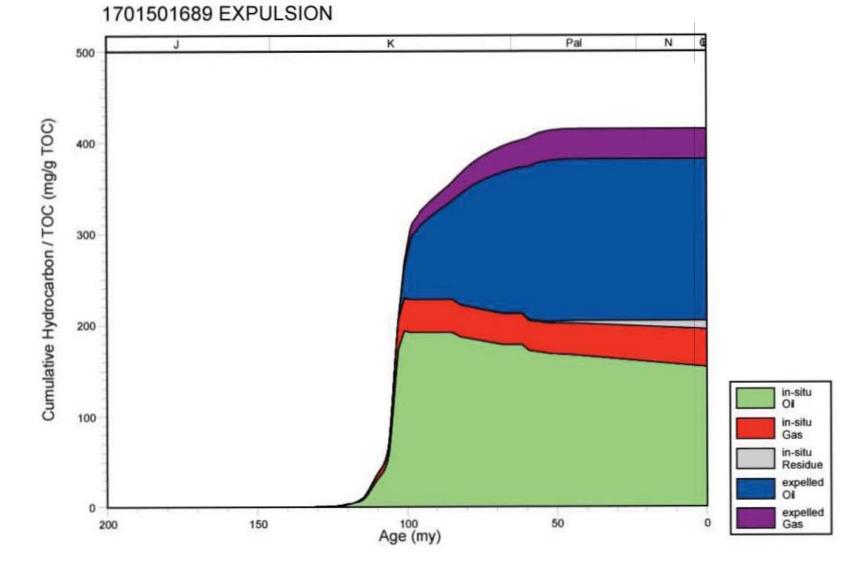


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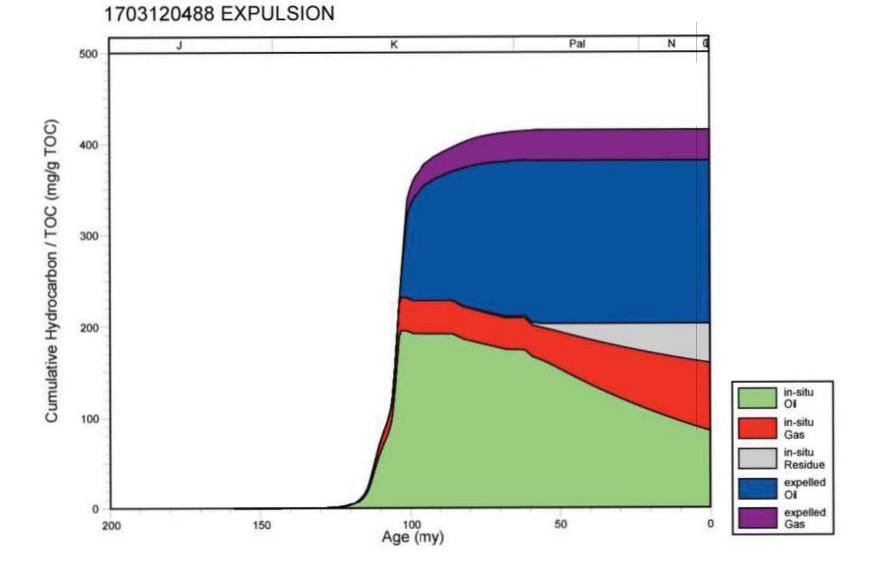


Figure 134. Hydrocarbon expulsion plot for well 1703120488, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

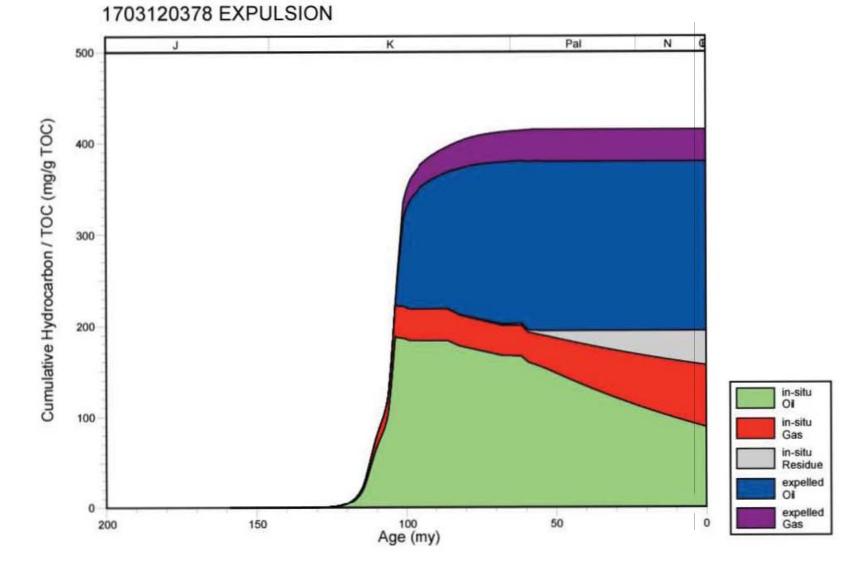


Figure 135. Hydrocarbon expulsion plot for well 1703120378, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

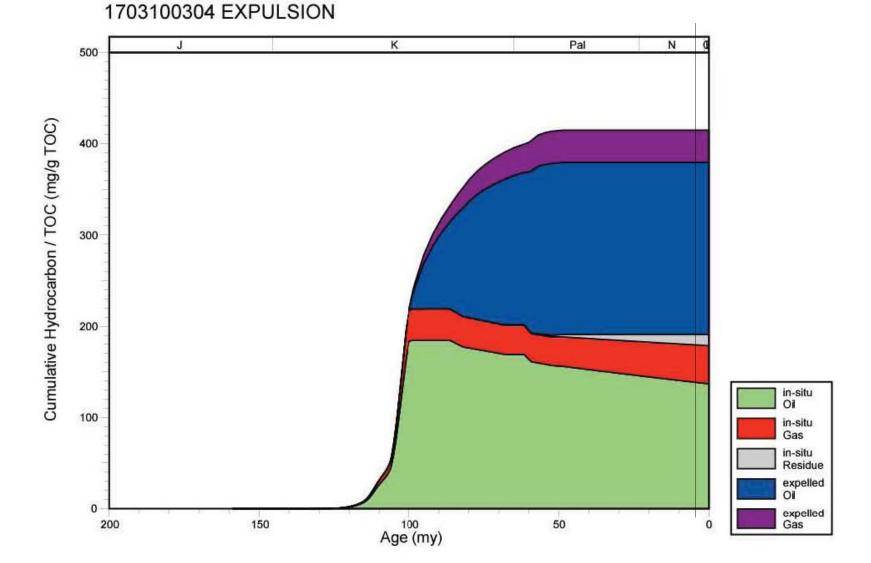


Figure 136. Hydrocarbon expulsion plot for well 1703100304, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

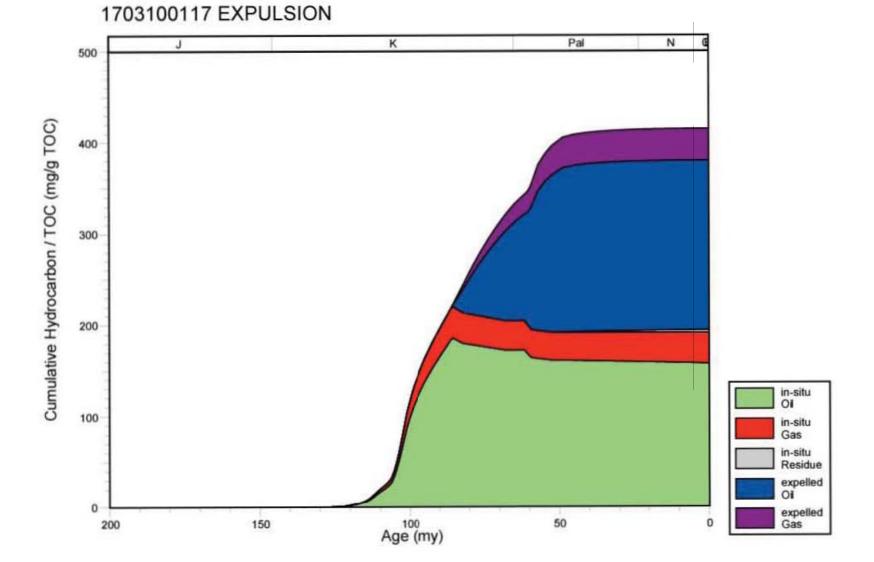


Figure 137. Hydrocarbon expulsion plot for well 1703100117, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

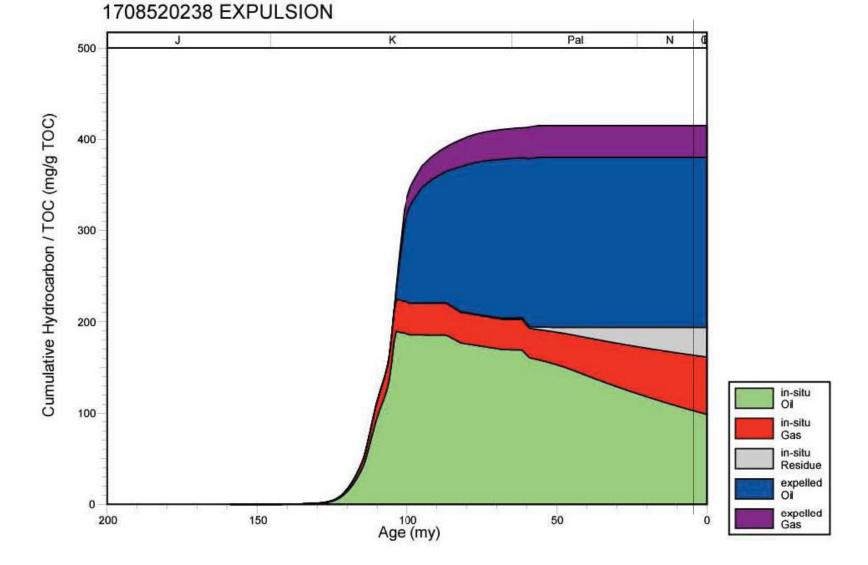


Figure 138. Hydrocarbon expulsion plot for well 1708520238, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

# 1708520177 EXPULSION K Pal 500 400 300 200 in-situ Oi 100 in-situ

50

Gas in-situ Residue

expelled Oi

expelled Gas

Figure 139. Hydrocarbon expulsion plot for well 1708520177, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

150

200

100

Age (my)

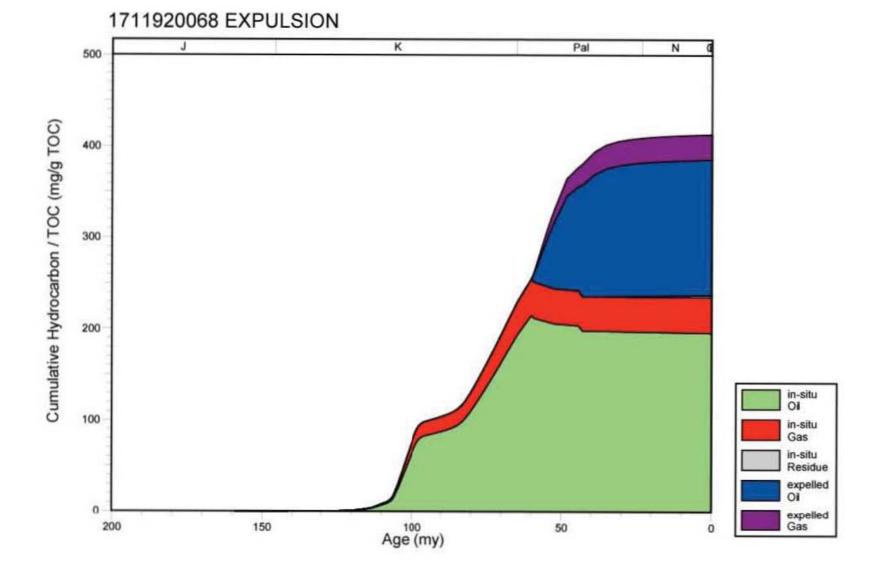


Figure 140. Hydrocarbon expulsion plot for well 1711920068, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

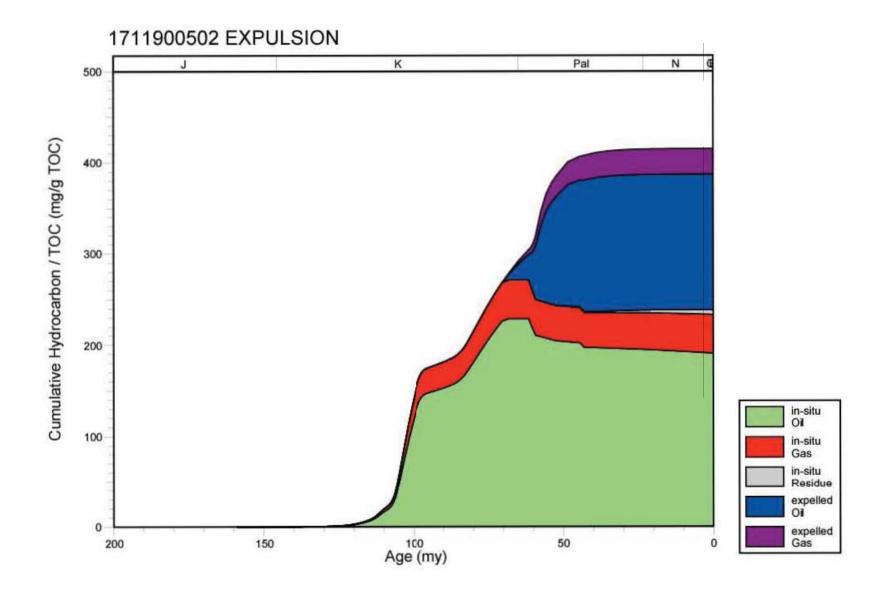


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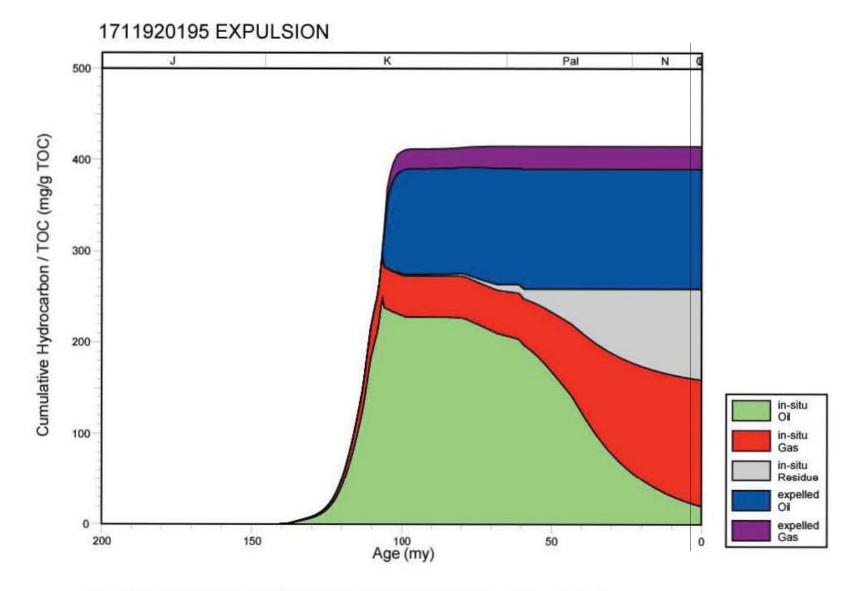


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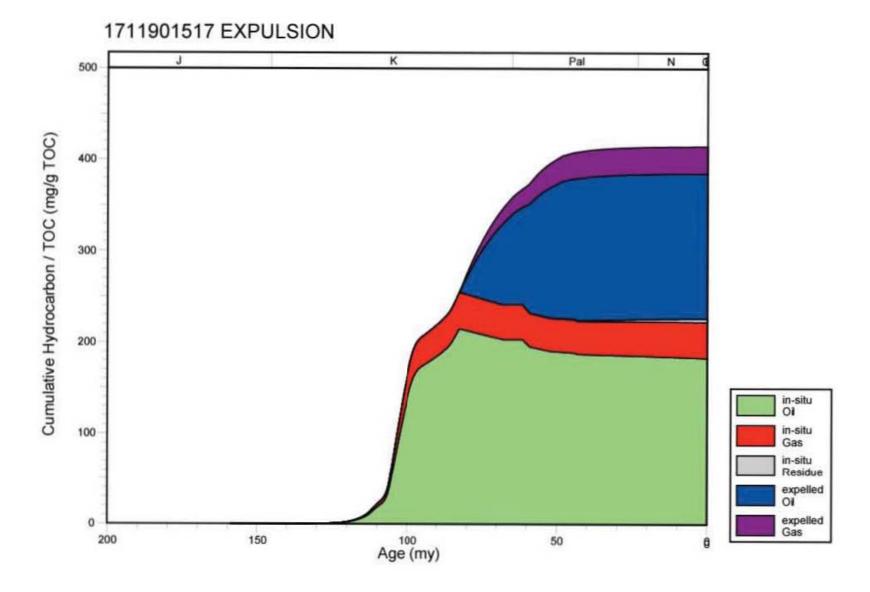


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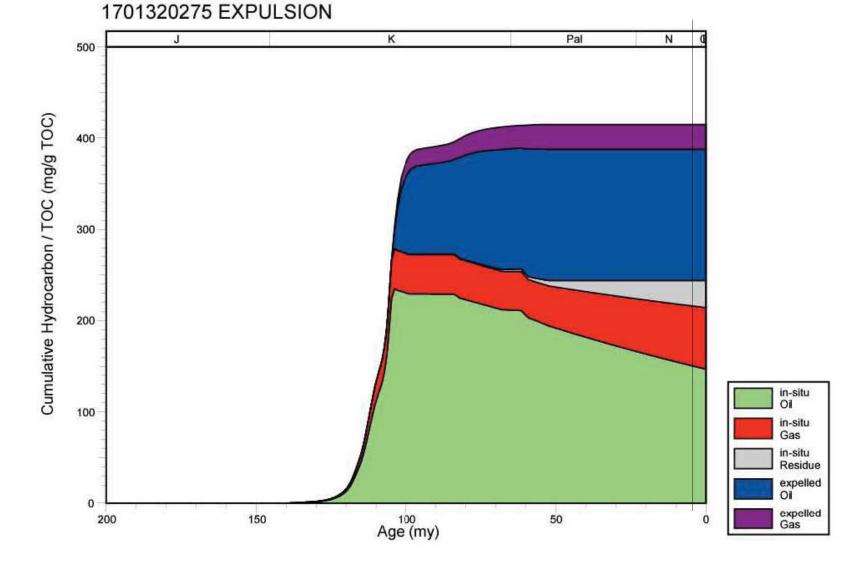


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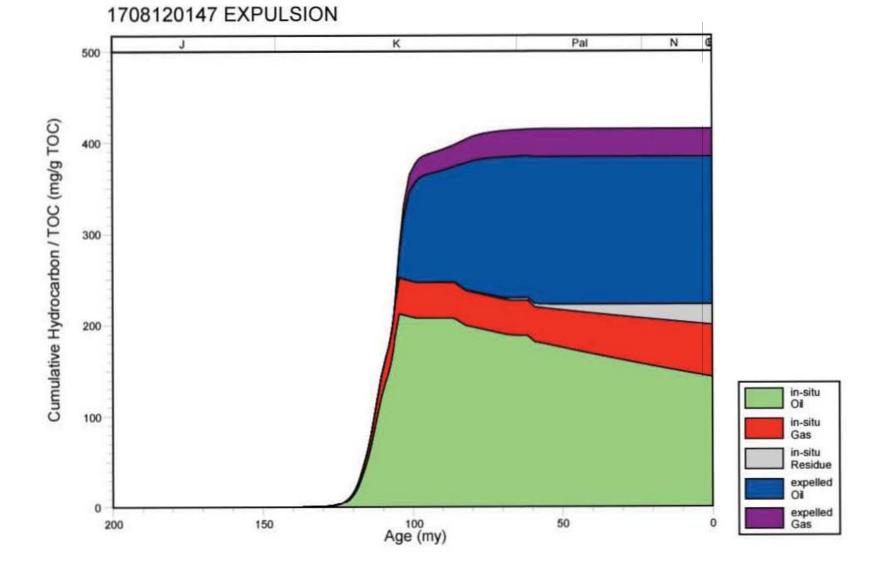


Figure 145. Hydrocarbon expulsion plot for well 1708120147, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

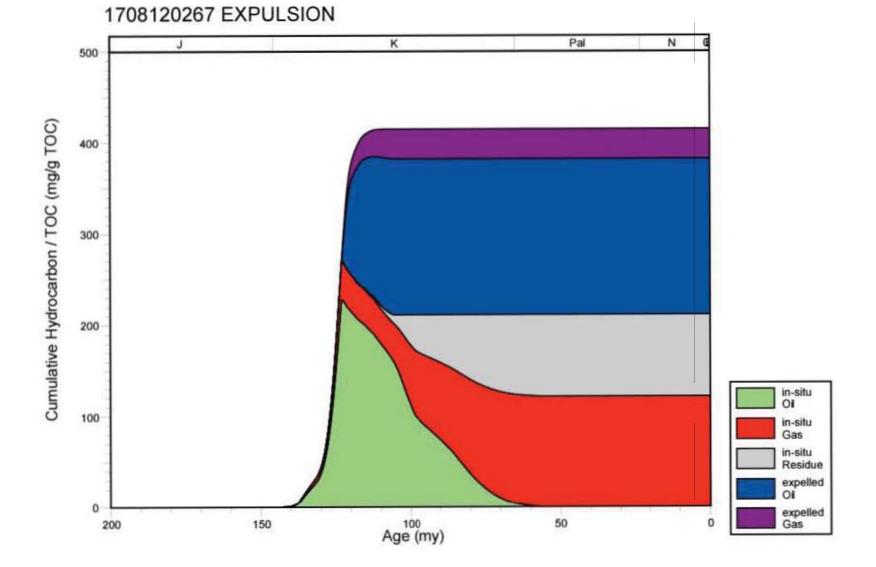


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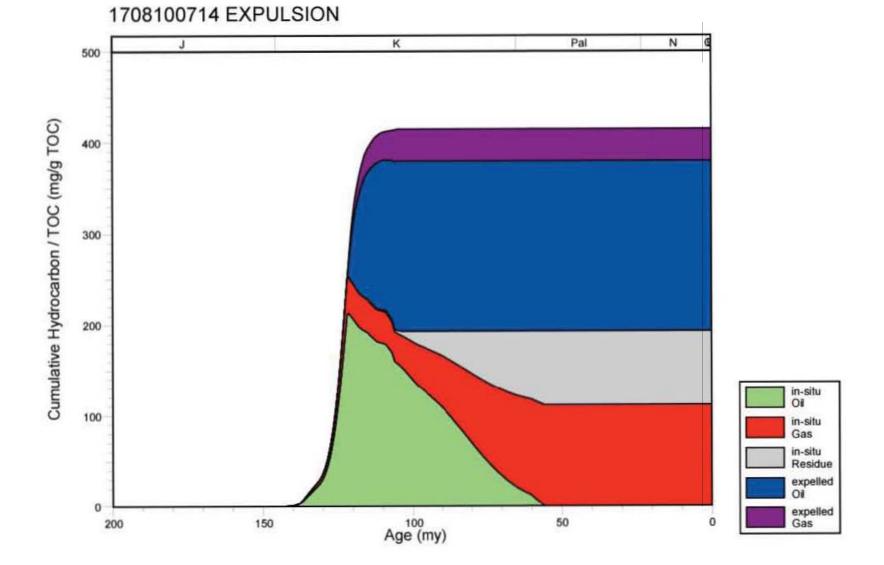


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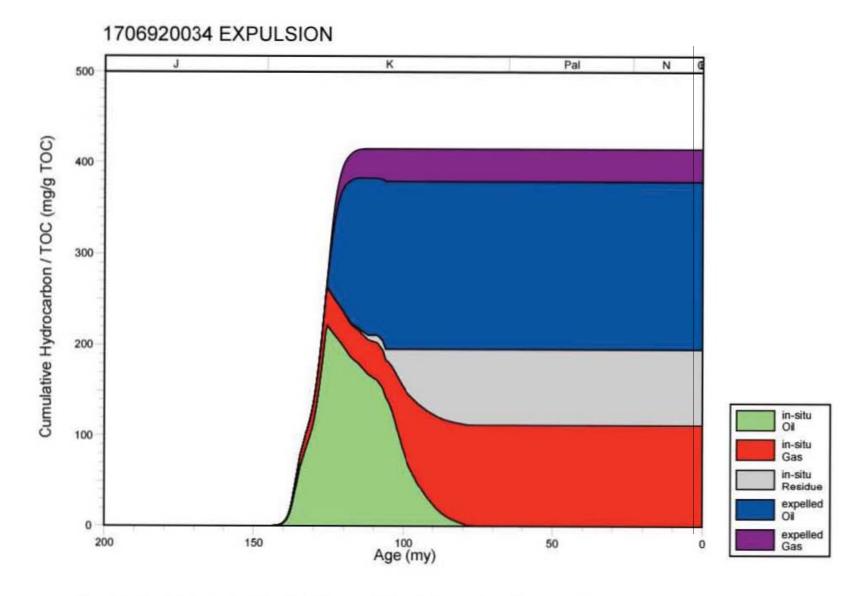


Figure 148. Hydrocarbon expulsion plot for well 1706920034, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

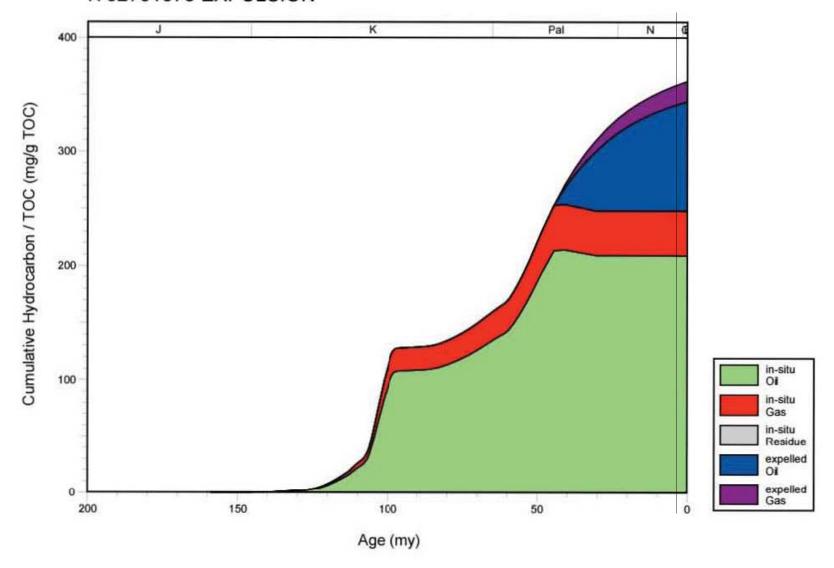


Figure 149. Hydrocarbon expulsion plot for well 1702701875, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

### 1702701974 EXPULSION Pal K N 500 Cumulative Hydrocarbon / TOC (mg/g TOC) 400 300 200 in-situ Oil 100 in-situ Gas in-situ Residue expelled Oi

expelled Gas

Figure 150. Hydrocarbon expulsion plot for well 1702701974, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

150

200

100

Age (my)

50

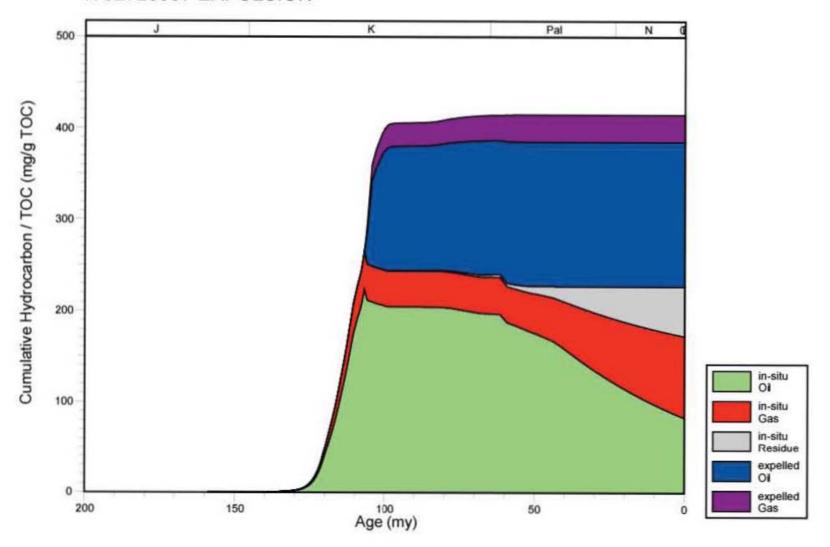


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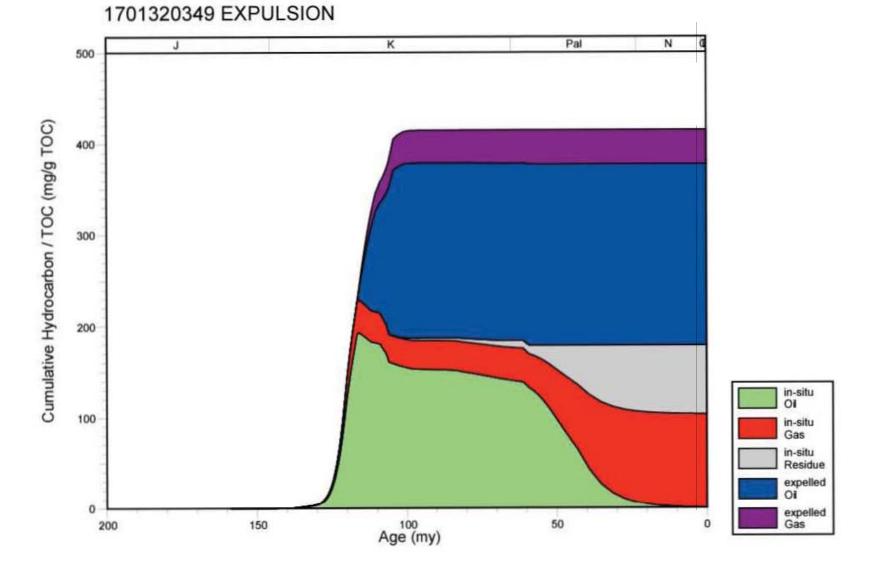


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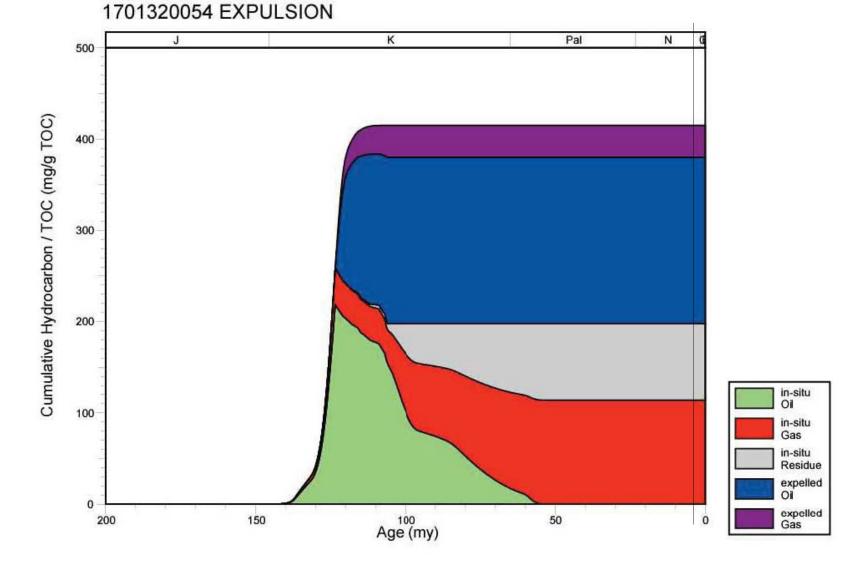


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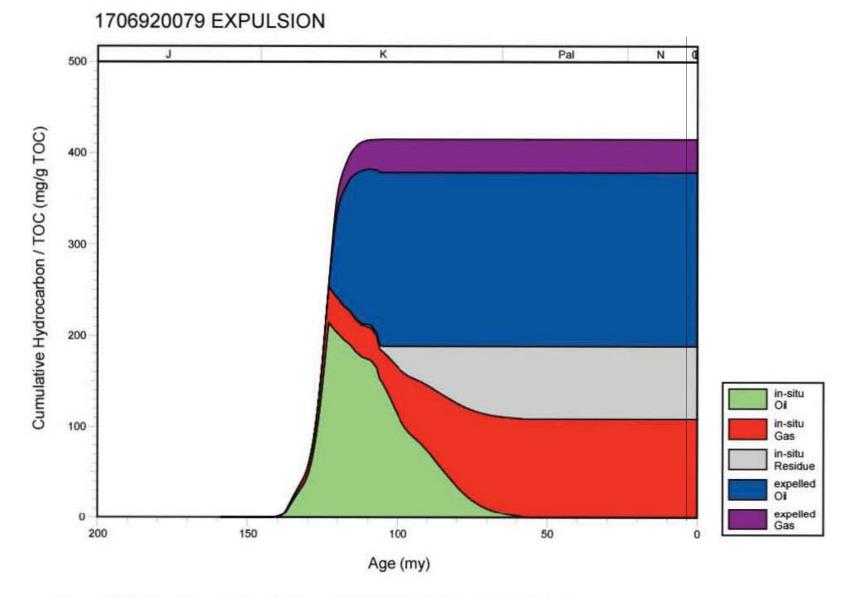


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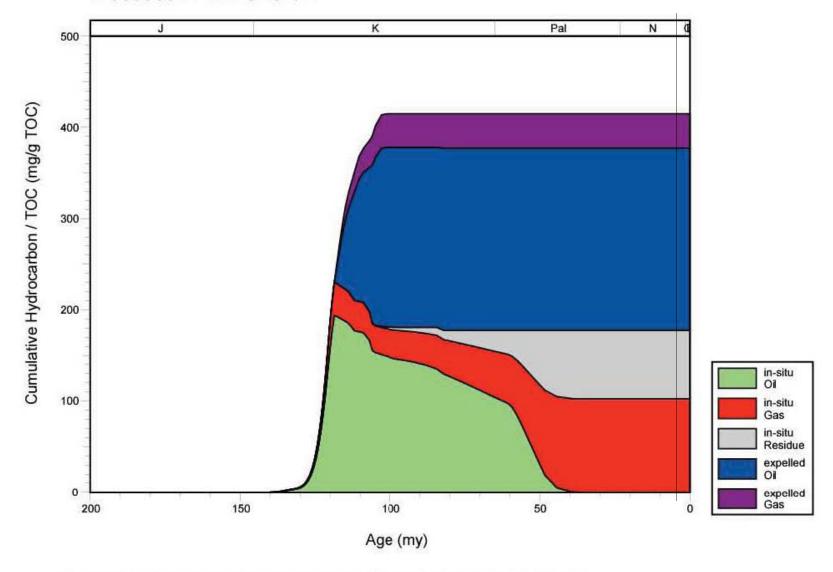


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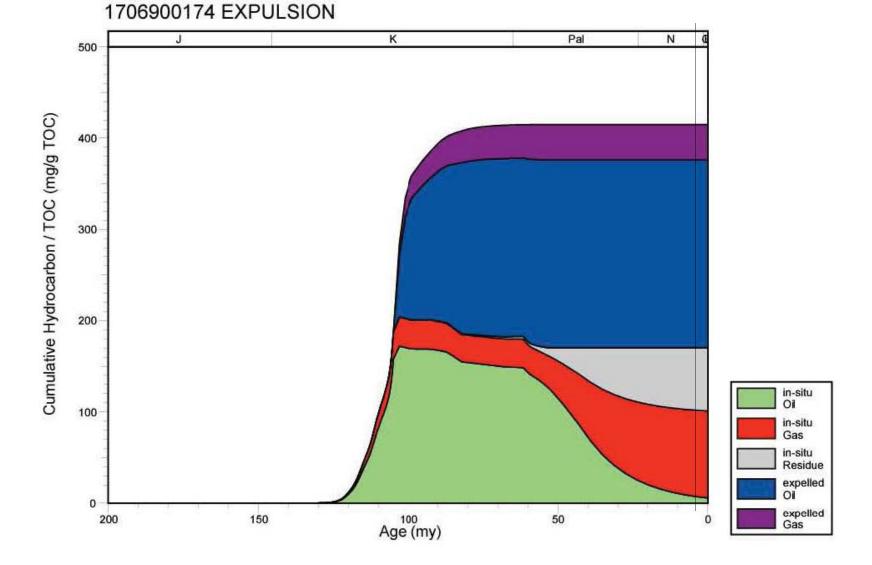


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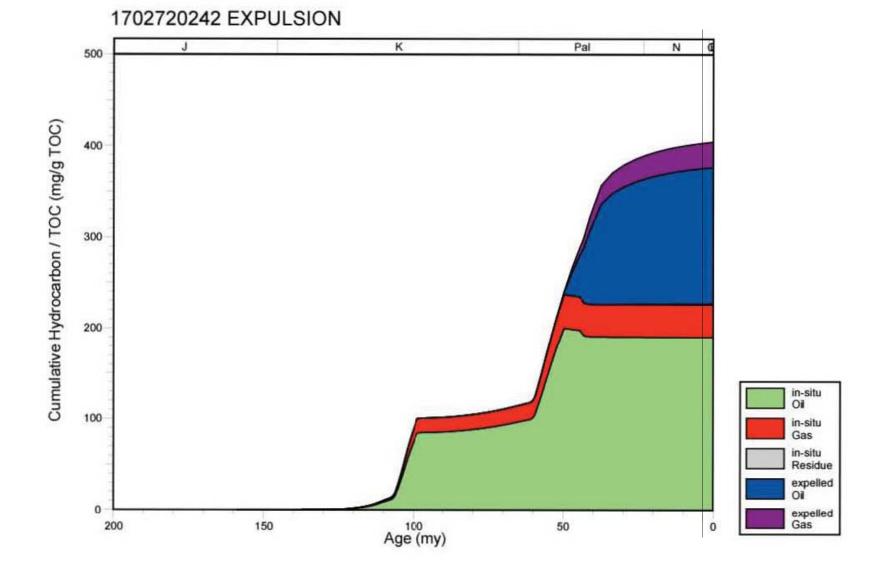


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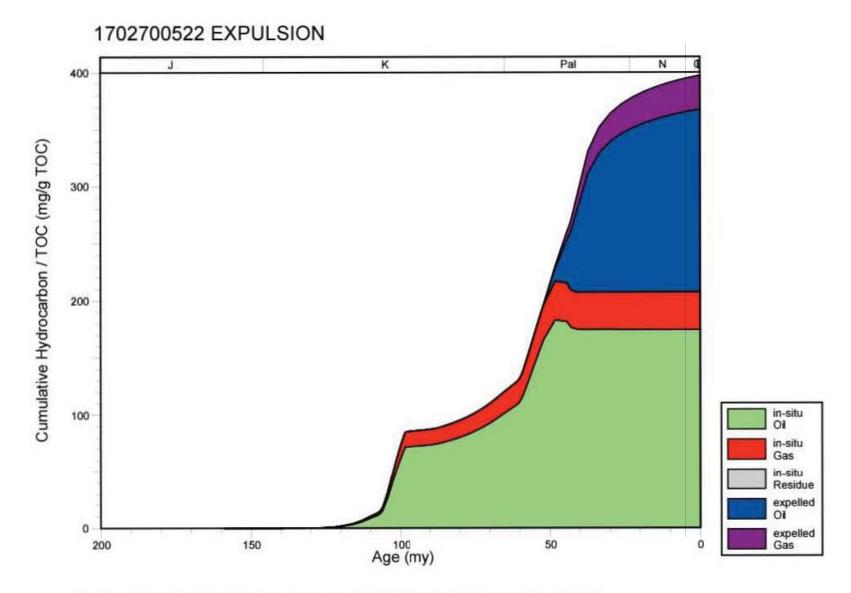


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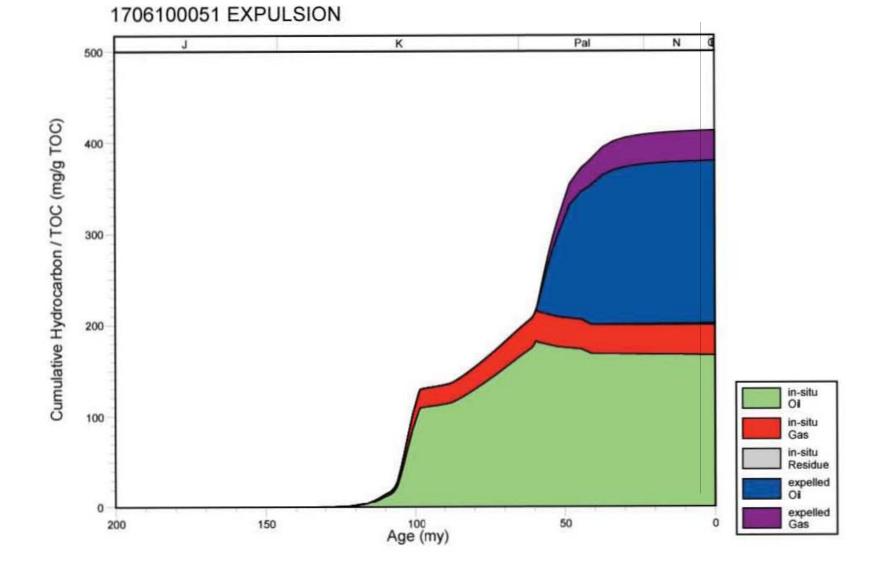


Figure 159. Hydrocarbon expulsion plot for well 1706100051, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

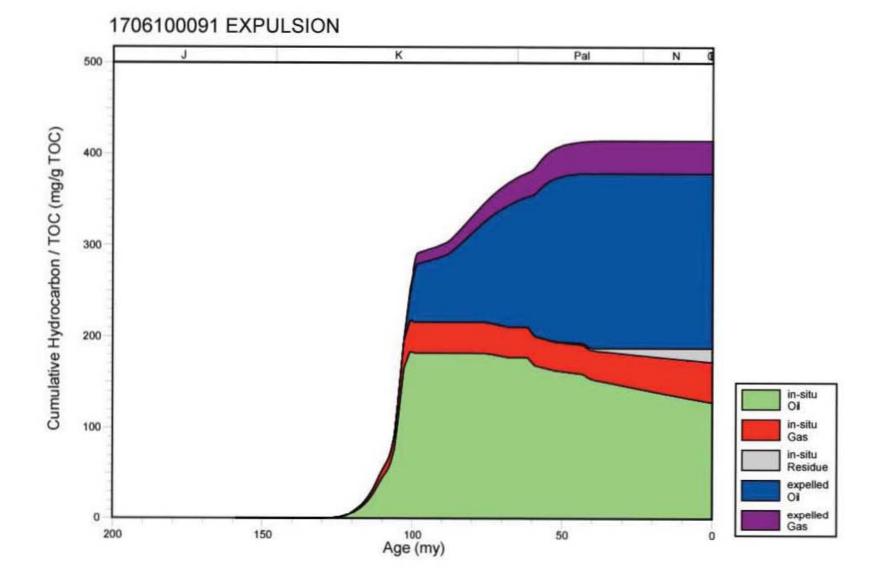


Figure 160. Hydrocarbon expulsion plot for well 1706100091, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

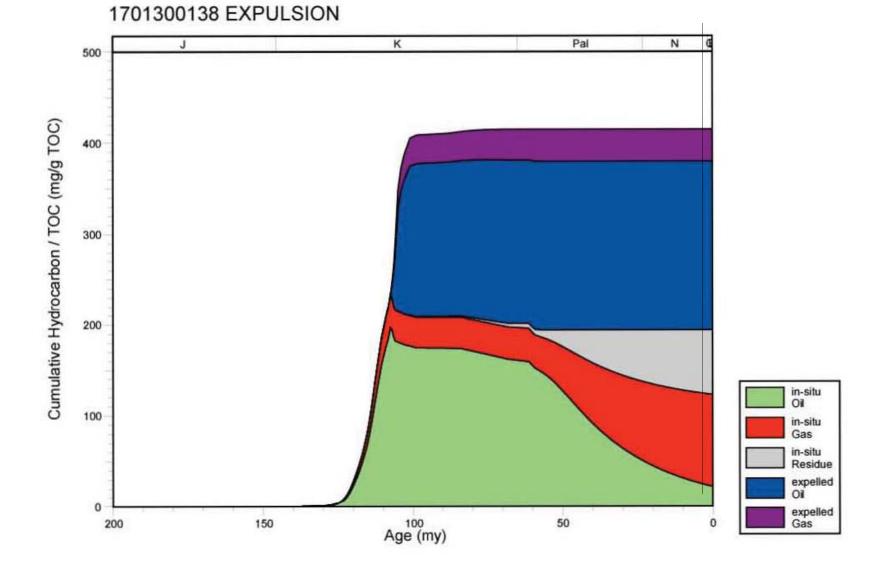


Figure 161. Hydrocarbon expulsion plot for well 1701300138, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

## 1704920029 EXPULSION K Pal 500 Cumulative Hydrocarbon / TOC (mg/g TOC) 400 300 200 in-situ Oil 100 in-situ Gas in-situ Residue expelled Oil

expelled Gas

Figure 162. Hydrocarbon expulsion plot for well 1704920029, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

150

200

Age (my)

50

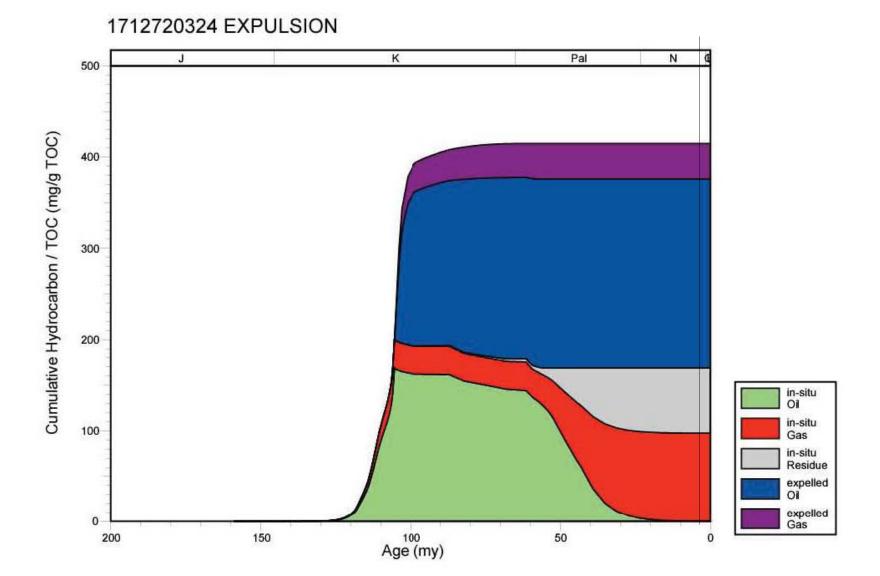


Figure 163. Hydrocarbon expulsion plot for well 1712720324, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

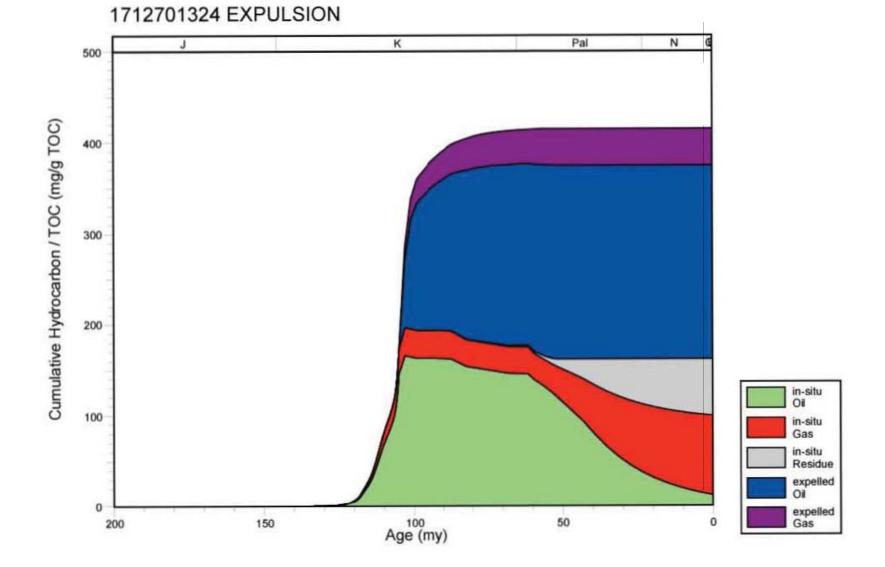


Figure 164. Hydrocarbon expulsion plot for well 1712701324. North Louisiana Salt Basin.

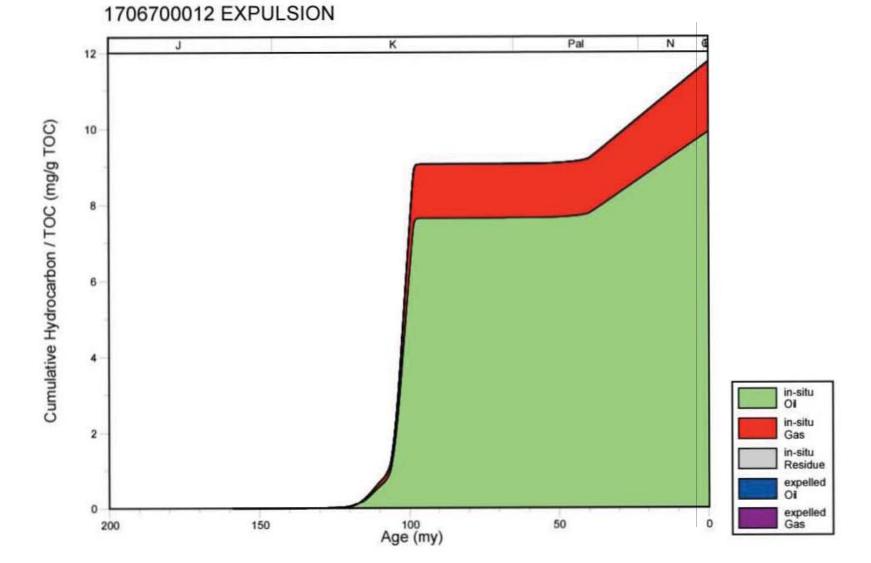


Figure 165. Hydrocarbon expulsion plot for well 1706700012, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

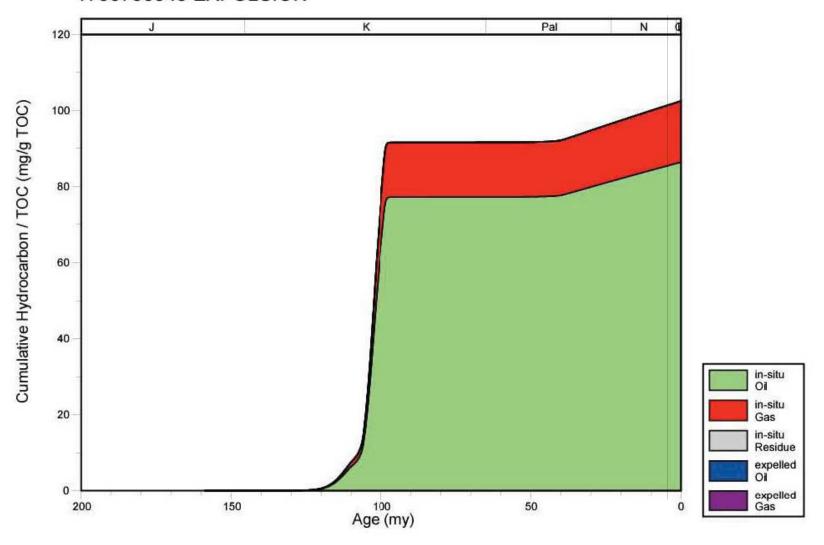


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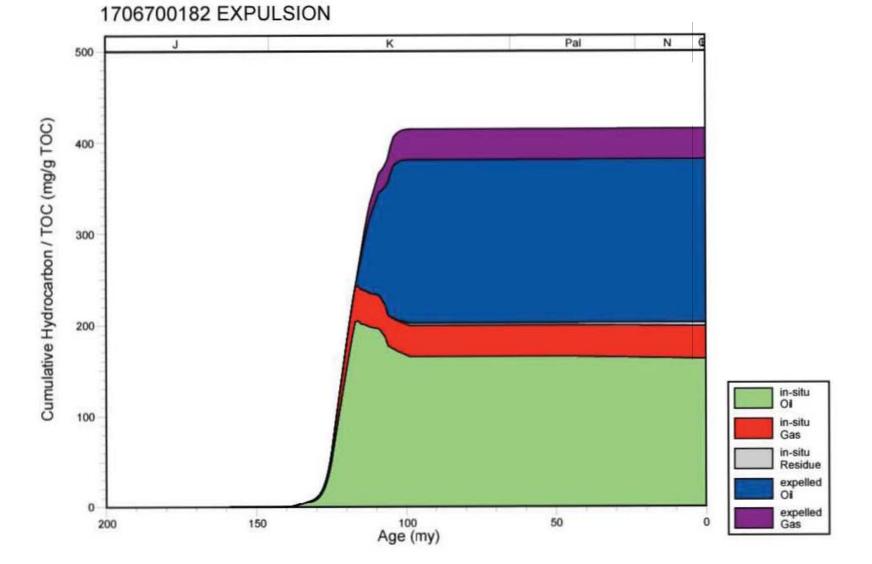


Figure 167. Hydrocarbon expulsion plot for well 1706700182, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

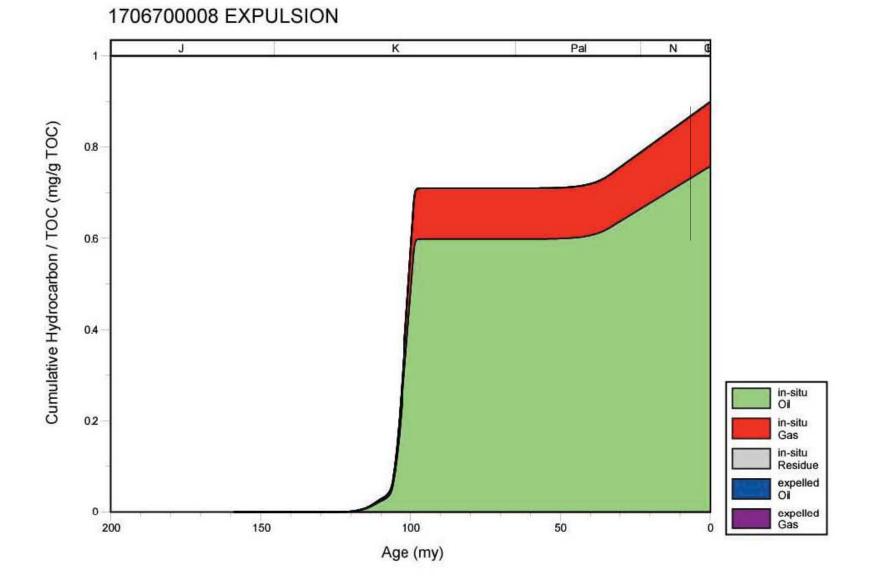


Figure 168. Hydrocarbon expulsion plot for well 1706700008, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

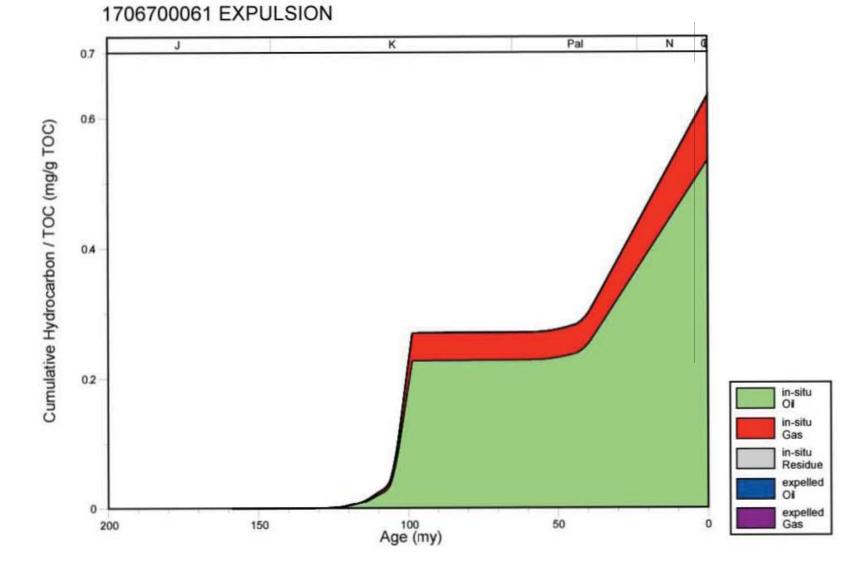


Figure 169. Hydrocarbon expulsion plot for well 1706700061, North Louisiana Salt Basin.

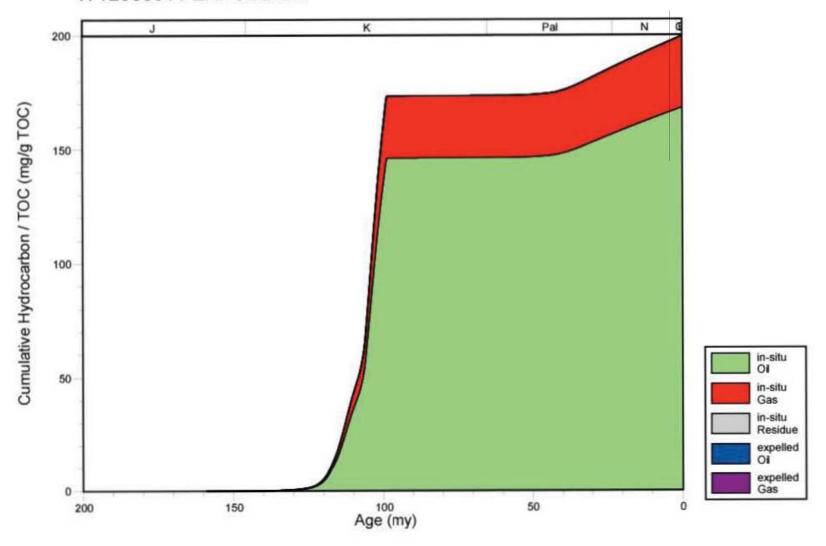


Figure 170. Hydrocarbon expulsion plot for well 1712300011, North Louisiana Salt Basin.