

CSUR's 2019 Advanced Technology & Core Workshop (AT&CW)

At this year's AT&CW, CSUR changed gears from previous years and switched the focus to the Montney, which is undeniably Canada's most prolific formation currently. It arguably also has the most potential for growth, if the economic conditions are favorable and access to international markets is readily available!

The theme for this year's workshop was "Exploring Alberta's Wet Montney versus BC's Liquids Rich Montney". Given the regional, depositional and compositional variation within the Montney, approximately 50 attendees were given an overview of this vast resource from a variety of experienced & knowledgeable speakers.

As in past years' workshops, the day was structured such that the audience was initially given a broad overview of the Montney prior to having an opportunity to view Montney cores from either side of the Alberta-BC border. The core presentations elaborated on the unique & finer geological features that make the Montney a significant player within North America's unconventional resource plays.

The afternoon technical sessions allowed the attendees to listen to more specific aspects of this formation and challenges that face the Montney operators. Topics discussed and highlighted included: Prevailing completion and development practices & issues, potential for enhanced recovery (gas cycling) to maximize liquid recovery & increase asset NPV and how operators could increase returns from unrealized value as a result of a shift in the price schedule for the liquids.

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