

# Strata-X 19B-1 Drilling Commences – Serowe CSG Project

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- Drilling operations for 100% owned Strata-X 19B-1 well on the 1,173,000 acre Serowe CSG Project have commenced.
- Currently drilling to approximately 370 metres for surface casing to be set and cemented.
- After surface casing is in position, drilling operation will continue to targeted bright coals.
- Appraisal wells will be the first to drill and flow test bright and gas saturated coals within Strata-X's interpreted high graded area.

DENVER and BRISBANE, Australia and VANCOUVER, British Columbia, Feb. 06, 2019 -- The directors and management of [Strata-X Energy Ltd.](#) ("Strata-X" or the "Company") (TSX-V:SXE) (ASX:SXA) are pleased to announce that drilling operations for the 100% owned 19B-1 well have commenced. The 19B-1 rig contractor, Danos Drilling of Gabarone, Botswana, is drilling ahead to 370 metres where surface casing will be set and cemented into place. After surface casing is in place, drilling will continue to the targeted bright coals with an expected total depth for the well of 480 metres.

Following the Company's internal interpretation of historical coal cores, drilling and geophysical data in Botswana last year, Strata-X has interpreted a high graded area where the upper stratigraphic section contains multiple high gas saturates in bright coal seams that are highly prospective for commercial CSG. Since then, the Company had increased its tenement holdings and now owns a 100% interest in approximately 320,000 acres within the high graded area of the Serowe CSG Project.

Once the well has reached its planned total depth, the Company will log the well using traditional wireline methods along with a state-of-the-art Borehole Magnetic Resonance (BMR) logging program which, once calibrated and processed, may be used to estimate the gas content and permeability of the target coals. To calibrate the BMR logging, SXE's 19B-1 well is being drilled approximately 2.5 km from a fully-cored well that was drilled in 2003 by the Government of Botswana and intersected bright coals with gas saturations up to 100%.

Strata-X believes that successful calibration of the BMR logging method for the target coals will not only reduce the number of expensive fully-cored drill holes traditionally required for future reserve upgrades but save months of laboratory time required to estimate gas saturations after each core hole, thereby potentially allowing the Company to fast track those reserves.

Once logging is completed, the operations plan is to suspend the SXE 19B-1 well until long term (3-6 months) production testing can commence later this quarter. If the results from SXE's 19B-1 well are sufficiently positive, the Company may consider expanding the drilling program to a pilot program and include the optional second well in that pilot.

The Company holds 4,784 km<sup>2</sup> (1,173,000 acres) over the Serowe CSG Project with a certified Prospective Resource of 3.3 TCF.<sup>(1)</sup> *ASX disclosure note - 5.28.2 - The estimated quantities of petroleum that may potentially be recovered by the application of a future development project(s) relate to undiscovered accumulations. These estimates have both an associated risk of discovery and a risk of development. Further exploration appraisal and evaluation is required to determine the existence of a significant quantity of potentially moveable hydrocarbons.*

*Prospective Resources figures are from an audit report prepared by MHA Petroleum Consultant, a qualified reserves auditor, dated and effective 26 March 2018 following their audit in accordance with the COGE Handbook of the available technical data including the geological interpretation, information from relevant nearby wells, analogous reservoirs and the proposed program for the Project, prepared and presented to MHA by Strata-X. Prospective Resources are those quantities of petroleum estimated, as of a given date, to be potentially recoverable from undiscovered accumulations by application of future development project. Prospective Resources have both an associated chance of discovery and a chance of development. A high level of uncertainty exists with the Prospective resources given the lack of historical drilling, available data and other productivity factors that limit the economic viability of coal seam gas deposits. The Report reviewed only Prospective Resources as the project is not sufficiently developed to assign Contingent Resources or additional Petroleum Reserves to it. Stated Prospective Resource figures are Best Estimate &ndash; undiscovered natural gas quantities and net of a royalty and are shown at a 100% working interest in the Project. The total costs associated with establishing the commerciality of this project are unknown at this time given the early stage of the Project's development. There is no certainty that any portion of the resources will be discovered, if discovered, there is no certainty that it will be commercially viable to produce any portion of the resources.*

#### About Strata-X

Strata-X is a Denver, Colorado (USA) based company and is engaged in the business of oil and gas exploration and development with a variety of exploration opportunities in the States of California and Illinois in the United States of America and the Republic of Botswana. Strata-X has 81,201,984 common shares outstanding and trades under the symbol "SXE" on the TSX-V and "SXA" on the ASX.

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