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Interviewee:

Mark Hufle - Sr. Drilling Engineer (bp)

~~Interview~~

Primary obj. was to make a discovery (Exploratory well)

Secondary - make it a keeper well for Permian

- scenario drill to the <sup>MA</sup> 54

When at bottom, asked Mgt. which is the most important secondary obj.

Getting ready to drill last hole section - began looking into option of 9 7/8" - 7"

Loss returns at the base of the discovery <sup>T.D.</sup>Loss returns at the ~~base~~ <sup>days and</sup> or ballooning

cut mud weight to 14,300 or 14,400 (Surface)

Drilled into sand with 14,300 mud weight

Reduced circ. rate - creep ahead a little bit

Got another call w/ pressure that said it was ok to cut mud pressure

Drilled ahead enough to get 100' of rat hole - below original

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Went into hole with wiper trip - Non-eventful

Circulate bottom up

During logging had a week-long session on what casing to run

Debating pros &amp; cons of liner

Could and should have run cement plug.  
The culture trained in 1989 did not support that  
(Cascadia well had not ready)  
Have to do a Nife Post - which no one wants to do  
Was the one left on waiting to do the Post. Found out later  
that John Spring - also wanted to do the Post.

David Sims

John Girdle

Marel

Doris Reiter

Brad Simpson

Jessie C. Did cement model

David Sims's decided to do an MOC to run a line.

Jessie suggested to add more centralizers - Originally had 6 - Needed 2 at  
Jessie (Hollister) completed centralization model.

While waiting MOC (showing it) while printing system crashed. Less  
3 hours of work, which had to be completed by morning.

Attempted to recreate MOC

Not sure if it got through all of the approvals (which it did)

During weekend got a call from Brian stating that they were running  
pipe without centralizers (had only 6) which were part of the MOC.

It would have cost 12-18 hours to include all of the centralizers.

Mark read Communication Plan.

The cement job went perfect

Normally writes dissertation to run long string. Don't know if  
one was written.

Did not inspect pipe - previously inspected. - Confirmed  
Pipe was torque turned ashore (7")

- Not in well plan or present culture to circulate buttons up  
People don't think it's needed.

Familiar with Smith Unit on rig. - Small batch mixture Tub.  
Not certain it's possible to pump from that unit to trip tank.

Felt like watching casing test (good)

Have seen in past - nitrogen break out in sand jobs

\* "Did they begin injecting nitrogen at the right time?"

Should down pump rate to inject nitrogen to prevent bubble.

Felt displacement pressures were lower than normal because mudlogs  
were wrong.

Did not watch cement job live.

Worked late on Monday ~~for~~ Tues. night on cost estimates

Watching monitors - Sage gets call from Dan Vidrine - loss  
connection - called Dan back.

Dan asked if they were going to test the plug.

Asked Dan what is going on? Sage day was screwed up in flow  
test and he had to go up and run another test.

Ask Dan is everything OK. Dan - nothing came out of the  
kill line.

Mark said good night and hung up the phone.

Left office at 10:00 pm. Got home @ 10:30

~~Next morning 4:30 am~~

Received a text @ 11:30 pm - displayed phone number and question asking "What's going on in the rig?"

Replied - Who's asking? - Reply - Jessie stating that he got a call stating that the rig was on fire.

Received call from Bill Bruce (Weatherford) stating that 2 of his guys called him another rig stating that the horizon was on fire and they were planning to abandon.

Began searching web, getting twitter messages.

Began pulling up data track at home to see what went wrong.

3:00 am returned to office.

Later suggested to Barbara that all rigs in operation should be shut down because everyone is panicked on Horizon incident. Barbara responded that she agreed but he needs to go through the line.

Mark attempted to obtain crew engagement with EOP. Was challenged by leadership. Spoke w/ Dave Rich about crew engagement - informed that Transocean will handle crew engagement.

Conduct drill all the time - but not for worse case scenario.

(probably correct)  
In morning Ops call reviewed Maximo TA APM Approval plan.

Never put full detail in drilling program - allows Transocean  
to fill in and operate on their phase (electrical decisions)

Mark knew that they were going to displace the riser.  
Since incident Mark has been through all of the well data.

BOP Test - missing problems

Mark comments that there is a blog out there which started  
in Alaska which is stating that Halliburton made modification  
to the stack.