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## Closing the Well with a Capping Stack: Factors the Aligned Parties Have Missed

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1. No reason to anticipate landing on flex joint before April 20, 2010.
  - Any pre-Macondo capping stack would likely be designed to land on lower BOP after removing LMRP.
  - Need to land on flex joint would have been identified when concerns first raised about removing LMRP.
2. Even with a pre-fabricated capping stack, all the other engineering necessary to tailor it to the specific requirements of the well would still need to be designed and engineered.
3. Integration equipment and procedures take time to develop and test if aim is to have high likelihood of success.