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**Petroleum Systems and Geologic Assessment of
Undiscovered Oil and Gas, Navarro and Taylor Groups,
Western Gulf Province, Texas**

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Introduction

The purpose of the U.S. Geological Survey's (USGS) National Oil and Gas Assessment is to develop geologically based hypotheses regarding the potential for additions to oil and gas reserves in priority areas of the United States. The USGS recently completed an assessment of undiscovered oil and gas potential of the Late Cretaceous Navarro and Taylor Groups in the Western Gulf Province in Texas (USGS Province 5047). The Navarro and Taylor Groups have moderate potential for undiscovered oil resources and good potential for undiscovered gas resources.

This assessment is based on geologic principles and uses the total petroleum system concept. The geologic elements of a total petroleum system include hydrocarbon source rocks (source rock maturation, hydrocarbon generation and migration), reservoir rocks (sequence stratigraphy and petrophysical properties), and hydrocarbon traps (trap formation and timing). The USGS used this geologic framework to define one total petroleum system and five assessment units. Five assessment units were quantitatively assessed for undiscovered oil and gas resources.



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The USGS Central Energy Resources Team has developed an Internet Map Service to deliver the GIS data to the public. The spatial data that formed the basis of the GIS are provided online at the USGS National Oil and Gas Assessment web site (NOGA Online: <http://energy.cr.usgs.gov/oilgas/noga>) and are also contained on this CD-ROM in the Spatial folder. Several data formats are provided as noted by subfolders (Export and Shape). The Doc subfolder contains metadata documentation in HTML format that is also incorporated in each shapefile and export file in XML format.

Most of the base cartographic data layers used in the GIS project were obtained from the U.S. Department of the Interior National atlas web site, www.nationalatlas.gov, or the U.S. Geological Survey National Map, <http://nmviewogc.cr.usgs.gov/viewer.htm>. Portable document format files (.pdf files).

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