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Securing Surface Rights for Oil and Gas Field Development using state-of-the-art GIS Technology

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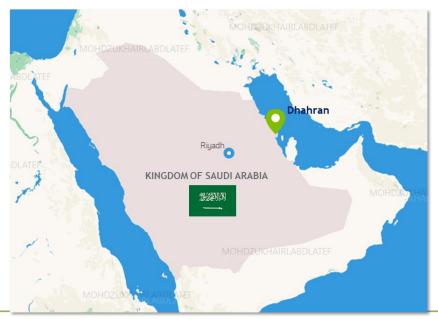


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## Introduction

- Saudi Arabian Oil Co. (Aramco) is the world's largest integrated energy and chemicals Company
- Headquarters in Dhahran, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
- Established in 1933, 1st commercial well discovered in 1938









1938

1st commercial of oil discovered at Dammam Well No. 7







World's leading integrated energy and chemicals









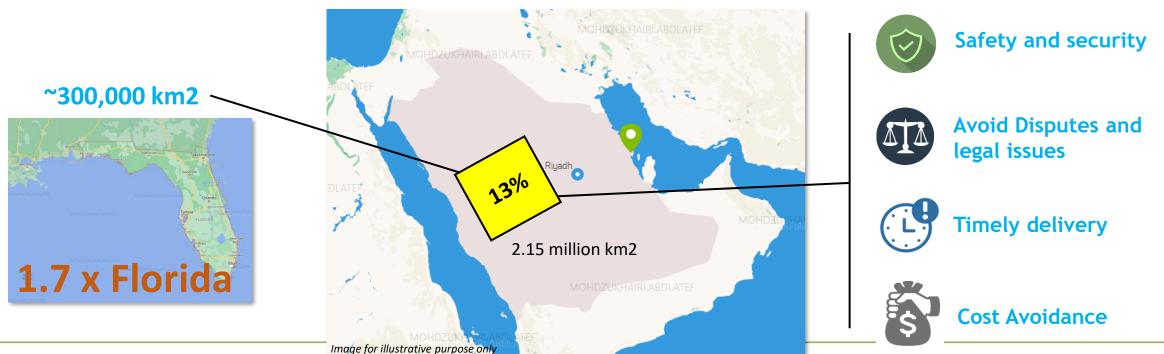


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## **Background**

- Operates within more than 13% of Kingdom's lands; explore, develop and produce oil and gas for Kingdom and global supply
- Securing and providing embedded access to land and surface rights is the key to success











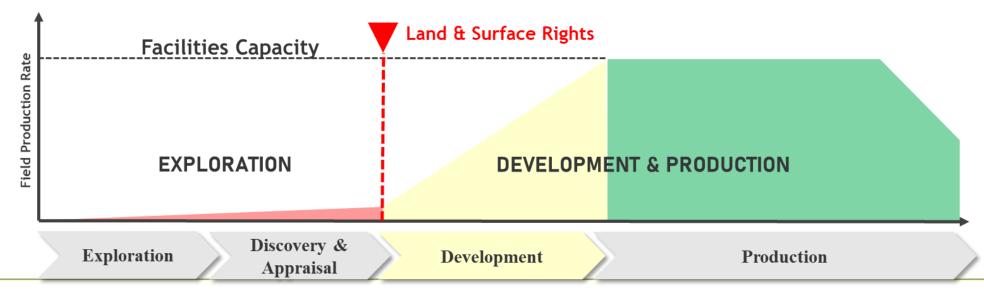


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## Onshore Field Development Lifecycle

- Hydrocarbon fields could last for 30 years; exploration, discovery, appraisal, development and production
- Field development is a key to ensure surface facilities are intact with subsurface production zones throughout production lifecycle
- Securing lands or surface rights at this stage is important to preserve lifecycle of field













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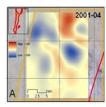
## Challenges and Constraints

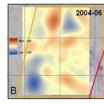
- Growth
  - Urbanization
  - Expansion
  - Diversifications
- **Spacing Limits** 
  - Company & Non-Company
  - Safety limits
  - Rupture exposure radius
- Occupied buildings and Overhead Protected power lines Population Railroads Expressways

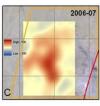
Parameters affecting Rupture Exposure Radius (RER)

### Complexity

- Field layout design
- Land dispute or claims
- Land Jurisdiction







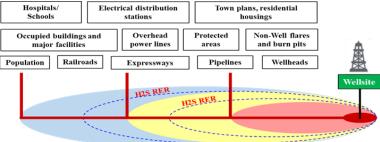




active hydrocarbon activities



Density change maps of Aramco production sites over period of 6 years due to expansion







Jurisdictions vs competitions



Surface topography affects facility design











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# **Securing Surface Rights Processes**

**Phases** 

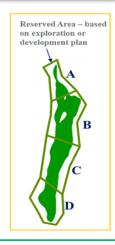
#### Reservation

Spacing

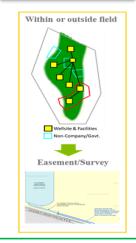
#### **Easements**

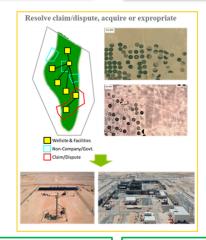
Claim/Dispute

#### **Acquisition**









**Definition** 

An area reserved for Company operations; oil and gas through Royal Decree Safety limit and risk consequences profiles for oil and gas wells and pipelines.

Permit or permission from Government or Non-Company entities to use their land for Company operations Area or land within private/Non-Company claims within Company reservations

Acquiring private lands for the Company's operations

Decision gates

Identify it is within Company reservation or require new reservation Model and integrate safety or spacing requirement for proposed facilities Identify and develop plan for easement if any impact occurs Identify any disputes within development area and resolve

Acquire or expropriate if safety limit or spacing for facilities violated









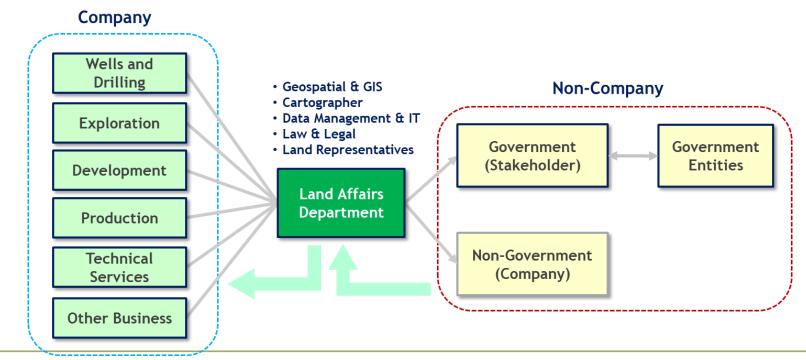


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## Saudi Aramco Land Affairs

- Saudi Aramco surface rights and land management falls under Land Affairs Department.
- Govern, manage and provide analysis with regards to land jurisdictions in relation to the need for oil and gas operations
  in the Kingdom











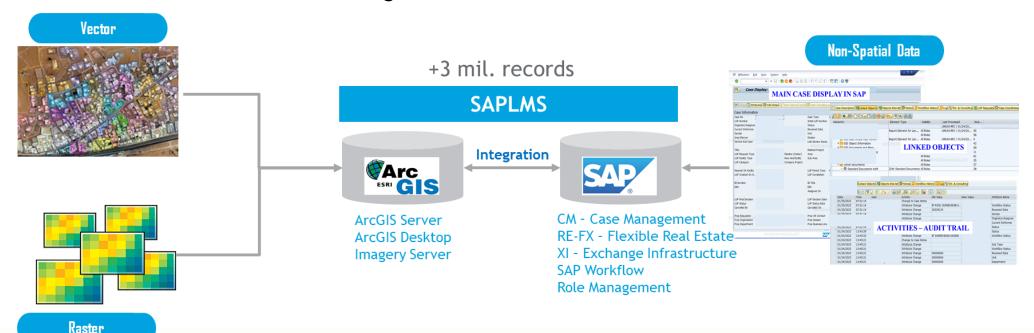


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## State-of-the-art Integrated Land Management System

- Use integrated system called SAP Land Management System (SAPLMS);
  - ESRI ArcGIS manage geospatial data and its attributes
  - SAP Case Management (CM) and Flexible Real Estate (RE-FX) manage workflows, integration and documentations
- More than 3 million GIS land and surface right records













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## **SAPLMS Components**

#### 1. Business processes

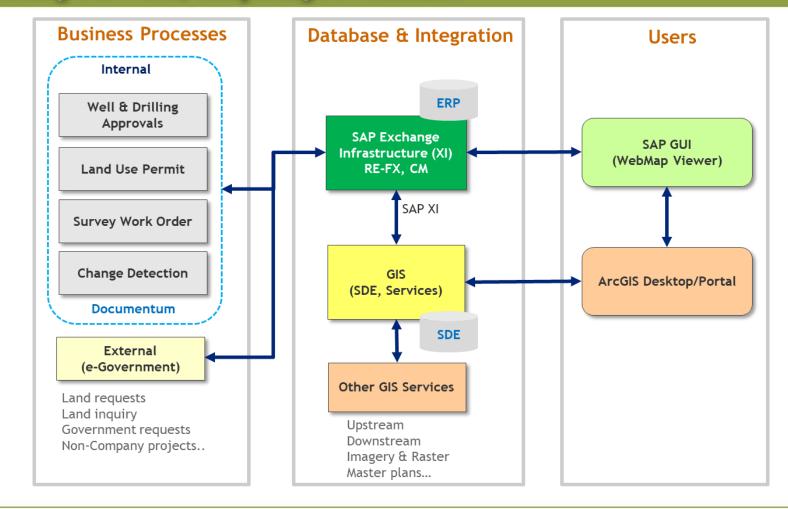
- Wells & Drilling Approval
- Land Use Permits
- Survey Work Order
- Change Detection System

### 2. Database & Integration

- Geospatial Data & Services
- Document Management System

### 3. Users Applications

- Desktop
- Portal
- SAP Web GIS Viewer













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## Geospatial and SAP Data Model

#### 1. >20 Case Types

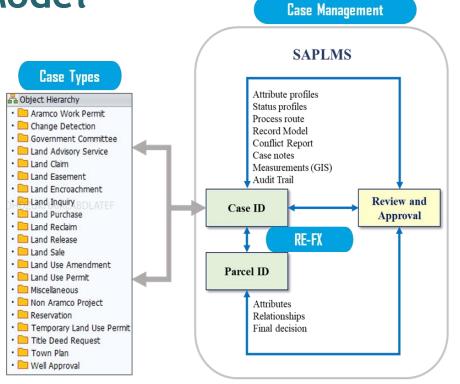
- Business processes
- Unique Identification
  - Case ID SAP
  - Parcel ID GIS

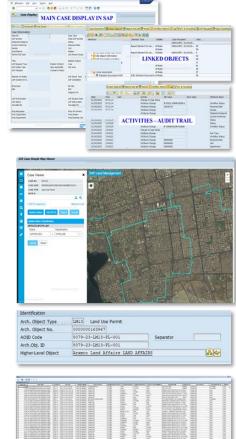
#### 2. SAP RE-FX - Real estate Flexible

- Process related GIS parcels
- Link Case ID and parcel ID

#### 3. Case Management

- Attribute & status profile
- Record Model
- Process Route
- Function profile
- Audit Trail











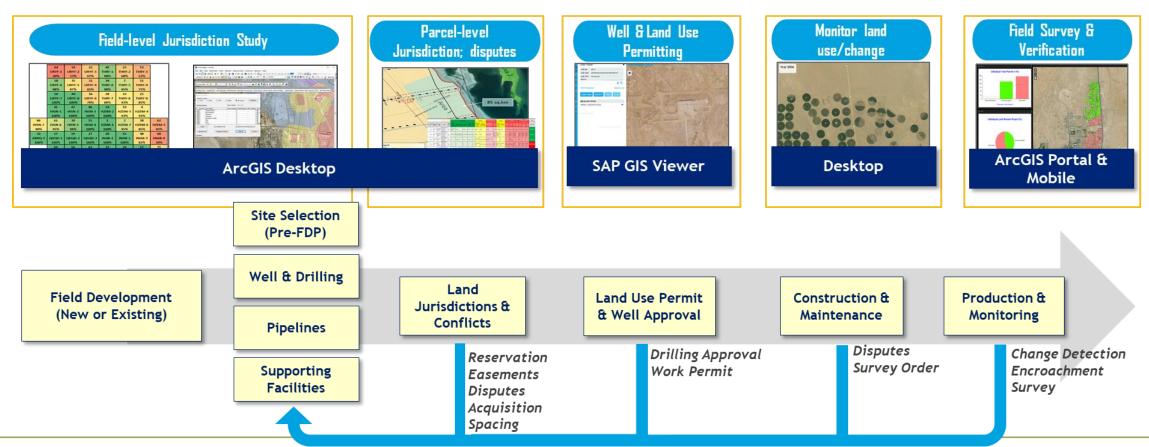




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## Geospatial Applications: Onshore Field Development Workflows













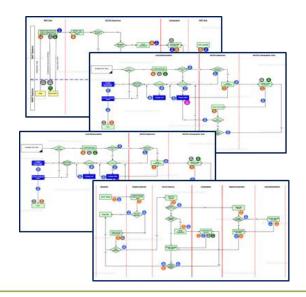
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## **Summary**

# Integrate Business Processes

Wells & drilling, land use permitting, Company & Non-Company land records



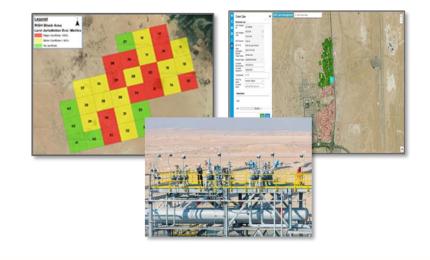
# Project review and approvals

Streamline review and approvals for development plan



# Surface rights optimizations

GIS data and system facilitate understanding on surface footprints and jurisdictions allowing optimization during development stage













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