

Some Saudi field Locations

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In response to the request for the location of some of the Saudi oil fields I have shaded a map from Greg Croft to show in Some saudi fields orange some of the older fields, in yellow where the new Originally uploaded by Heading Out. production is planned to come from and in black the Munifa field that is currently not apparently refinable.

The map does not show the sandstone deposits furthr north at Safaniya, and Zuluf, so when I can find the map that shows them all I will post it.

Current plans to reach a 12.5 mbd goal call for the following production numbers (according to Cordesman and the CSIS)

Abgaig - 400,000 bd Ghawar - 5,500,000 bd Berri - 400,000 bd Safaniya - 1,500,000 bd Abu Sa'fah - 300,000 bd Zuluf - 800.000 bd Marjan - 450,000 bd Haradh - 170,000 bd Shaybah - 500,000 bd Munifa - 1,000,000 bd

This gives the 11 mbd that they claim to be able to currently produce - though it includes Munifa, of which we have commented negatively earlier.

To bring this up to 12.5 mbd they plan an additional Haradh - 300,000 bd Khursaniyah 500,000 bd Shaybah - 500,000 bd Khurais - 1,100,000 bd

when you include an anticipated 800,000 bd loss due to old fields declining, the sum comes in just over the required number.

It does not indicate that in the period from now through the end of the decade that there will be that much decline in production from any of the existing fields, even those that are over 50% produced.

Current production is estimated <u>here</u>

Part of the problem, of course, is deciding what they mean by Ghawar at any given time, since

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Oh, and a brief salary update - I had given the Mining Engineering BS salaries as they came from the Prism article, a quick check today indicated that Petroleum Engineering BS students start in the mid \$60's with, on occasion, a \$10k signing bonus, so you may understand that the industry is beginning to appreciate the shortage.

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