



## Burgan and the other fields in Kuwait

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The news that Matt Simmons announced to the World Oil Conference, that the Burgan field is apparently in trouble, is beginning to reach a wider <u>audience</u>. (Thanks Greyzone).

The recent IEA outlook on the Middle East has this to say of relevance

Kuwait has four major oil producing areas, north Kuwait, west Kuwait, south-east Kuwait and the Neutral Zone. ... North Kuwait consists of two major fields, Raudhatain and Sabriyah, and currently produces around 600 kbd. West Kuwait contains several minor fields that make up the two major fields, Minagish and Umm Gudair, and produces around 400 kbd. South-east Kuwait contains the multi-reservoir Greater Burgan field that is producing around 1.4 mbd Kuwaits's share of production from the Neutral Zone is currently around 300 kbd.

The had obviously been warned about the announcement, since the report goes on to say

Greater Burgan is expected to remain the single most important contributor to production throughout the projection period, but the share of smaller producing fields - such as Raudhatain and Umm Gudair- will rise. Excluding additional output through advanced technologies , Greater Burgan's output is expected to increase steadily to 1.6 mbd in 2015, and then decline sllightly to around 1.5 mbd by 2030.

They have Burgan now listed at 1.52 mbd in 2010 out of a total production of 2.85 mbd, just under 400 kbd more than the 2.47 mbd of 2004.

And my apologies for the lack of a techie talk this week, or for more comment on the Conference, but alas on returning I found a storm had wiped our connection and it took 'til now, to get it reestablished.

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