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Unless otherwise specified, references to “average sales price” refer to average sales price excluding the effects of our derivative transactions. All amounts, dollars and percentages presented in this presentation are rounded and therefore approximate.

Successfully Operating in a Turbulent Macro Environment

Current Costs vs YE-19¹



Financial & Operational Highlights

Successfully extended all term-debt maturities until 2025 and 2028

Increased FY-21 oil hedges to 80% of expected oil production²

Reduced flared / vented gas to only 1.1% of total natural gas production

Maintaining drilling efficiencies during transition to Howard County

Reduced expected capital expenditures for FY-20³ by 28% versus FY-19

¹ Current data as of 2Q-20, YE data as of 4Q-19

² Based on hedges executed through 9-1-20 and midpoint of current plan

³ Based on midpoint of guidance, excludes non-budgeted acquisitions

Strategy to Increase Stakeholder Value

Foundation

**Manage
Financial Risk**



**Optimize
Existing Assets**



**Expand High-
Margin Inventory**



**Consolidate to
Increase Scale**



Objectives

 **Improve
oil cut**

 **Reduce
leverage**

 **Expand
margins**

 **Target Free
Cash Flow¹**

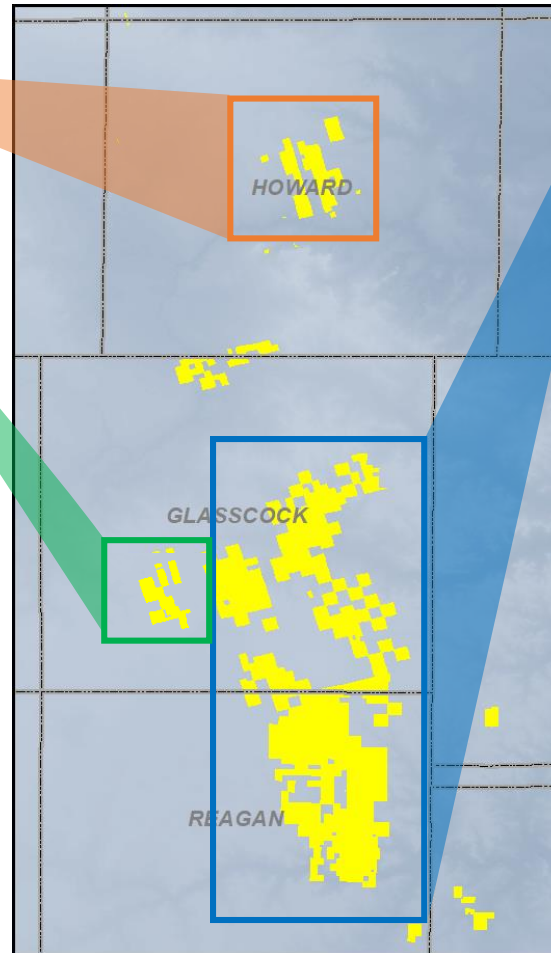
Acquisitions Added Oily, High-Margin Inventory

Acquired beginning Nov-19

Howard County	Total
Net Acres	8,594
Targets	LS/UWC/MWC
Locations	130

W. Glasscock Cty	Total
Net Acres	4,352
Targets	LS/UWC/MWC
Locations	45

- ✓ High-margin (50+% oil), higher-return inventory
- ✓ Contiguous Midland Basin acreage positioned to benefit from LPI's peer-leading operational costs and efficiencies
- ✓ Target long-term, consistent Free Cash Flow¹ generation and leverage ratio reduction



■ LPI Leasehold (130,993 net acres)

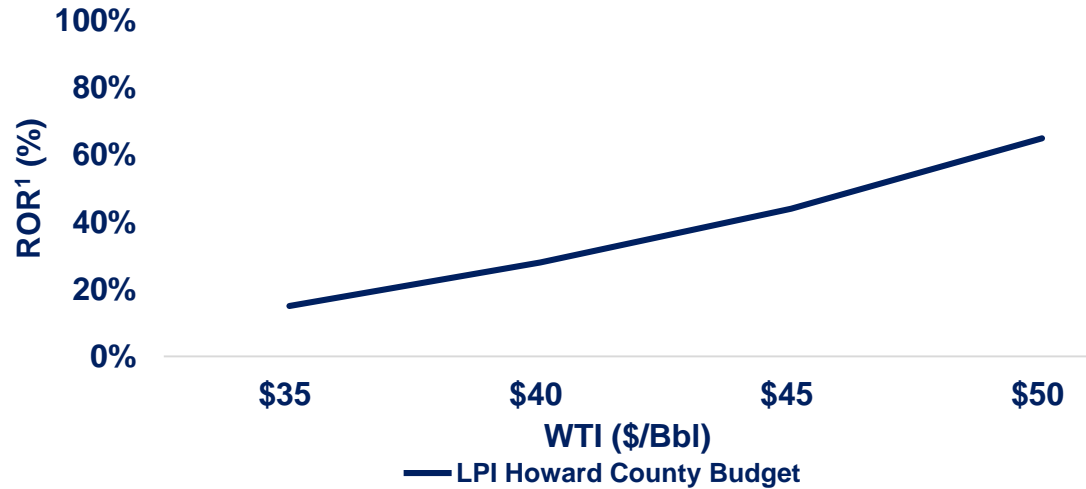
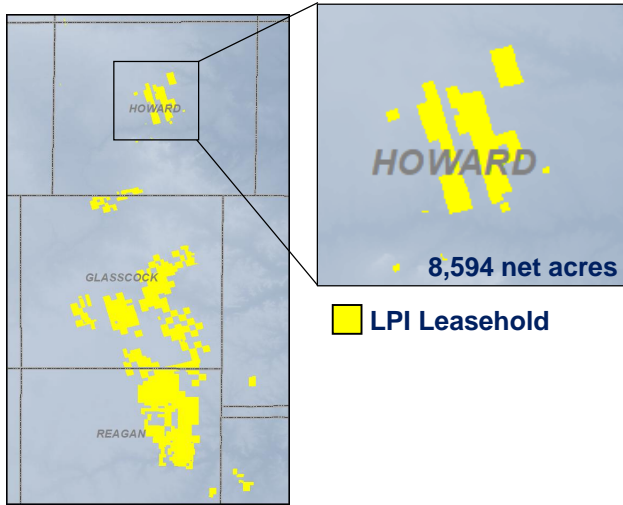
Est. Acreage	Total
Net Acres	118,047
Targets	UWC/MWC/Cline
Locations	440 - 610

Established Acreage

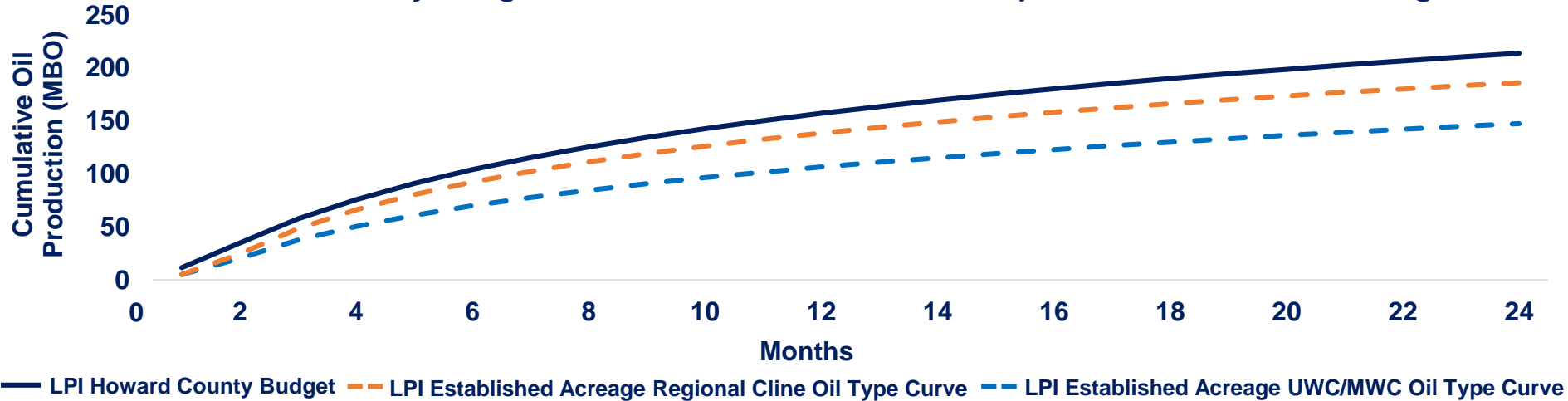
- 500 developed horizontal locations and production of 94,100 BOE/d (33% oil)
- Extensive Company-owned oil, gas and water infrastructure reduces capital and operating costs while minimizing environmental impacts
- Leasehold is 91% HBP, requiring minimal development capital to maintain acreage position and undeveloped locations

Acquired high-return, oily locations move to front of development schedule

Howard County Oil Productivity Drives Returns



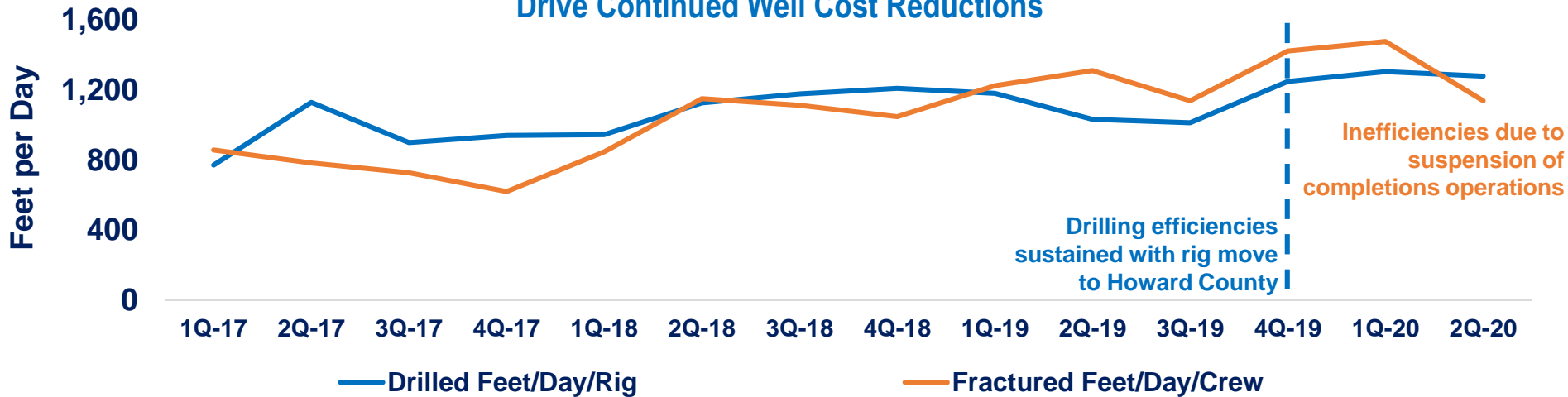
Howard County Budget Cumulative Oil Production Compared to Established Acreage



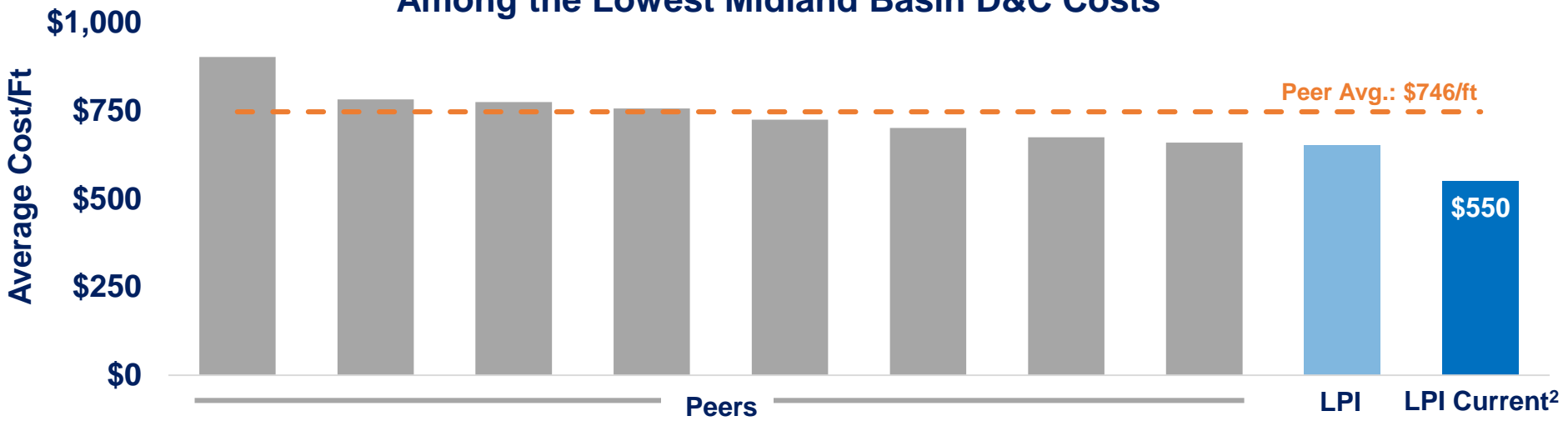
Expect to complete first 15-well package in Howard County during 4Q-20

Maintaining Operational & Cost Advantages in Move to Howard County

Drilling & Completions Efficiencies Drive Continued Well Cost Reductions

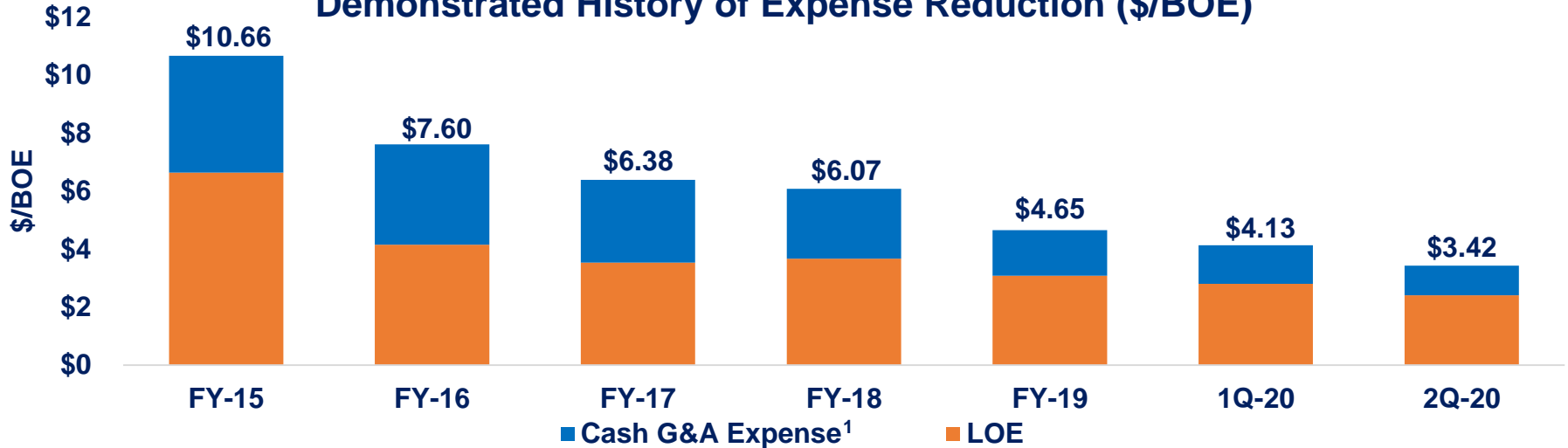


Among the Lowest Midland Basin D&C Costs¹

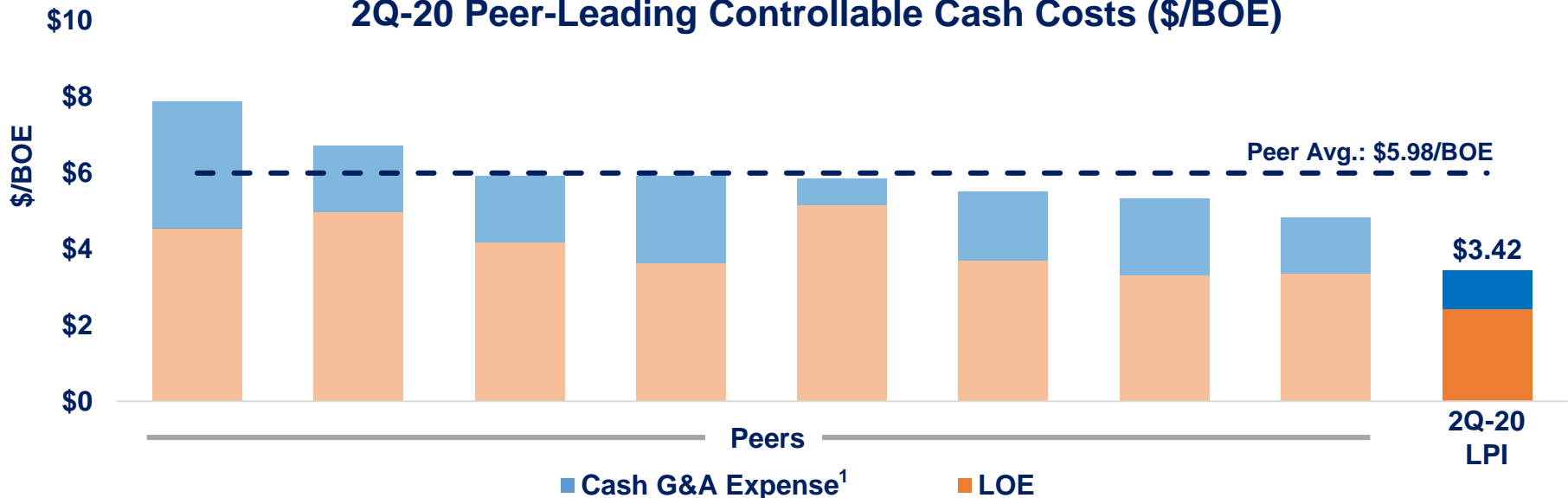


Cost-Control Focus Drives Expense Improvements

Demonstrated History of Expense Reduction (\$/BOE)



2Q-20 Peer-Leading Controllable Cash Costs (\$/BOE)



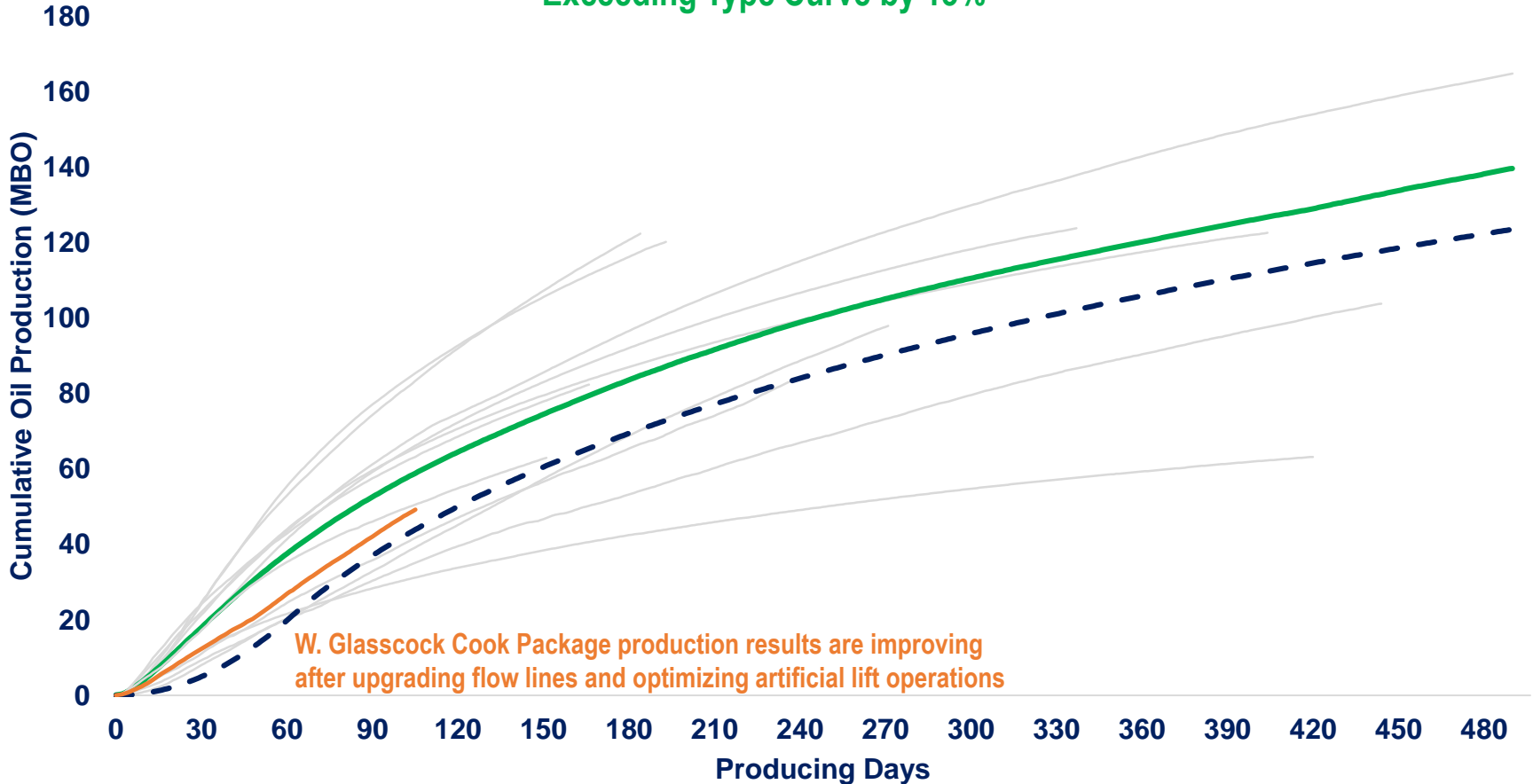
¹Excludes long-term cash & non-cash compensation expenses

Note: Peer results are based on most recent public filing and include: CDEV, CPE, ESTE, MTD, PE, QEP, SM and WPX

Optimized Development Supports Consistent Oil Outperformance

Optimized / Wider-Spaced Packages Deliver Oil Outperformance

Exceeding Type Curve by 13%^{1,2}



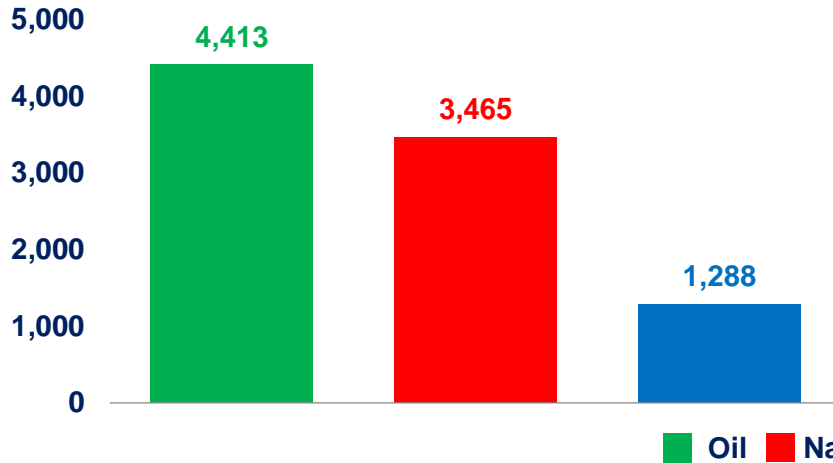
W. Glasscock Cook Package production results are improving after upgrading flow lines and optimizing artificial lift operations

— Wider-Spaced Well Avg.² - - - LPI UWC/MWC Type Curve³ — Wider-Spaced Package — W. Glasscock Cook Package Avg.

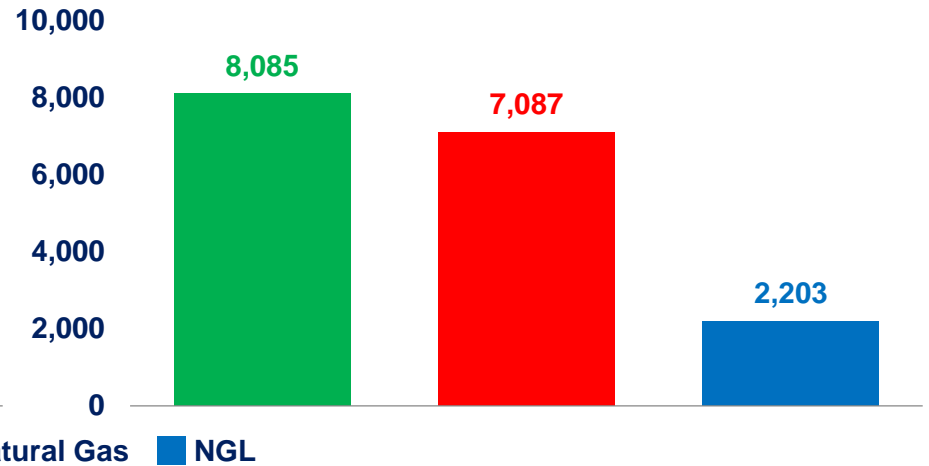
¹Wider-Spaced Well Average vs LPI UWC/MWC Type Curve; ²The Wider-Spaced Well Average includes 65 wells developed on LPI's Established Acreage using optimized completions. It excludes the W. Glasscock Cook Package Average (5 wells), which was developed on LPI's Western Glasscock Acreage using optimized completions; ³UWC/MWC 1.3 MMBOE type curve (400 MBO) representative of a 10,000' well, utilizing a 1.2 b-factor; Chart lines show cumulative oil production for all wider-spaced wells, normalized to a 10,000' lateral, as of 8-23-2020

Active Derivatives Strategy Manages Price Risk and Supports Cash Flow

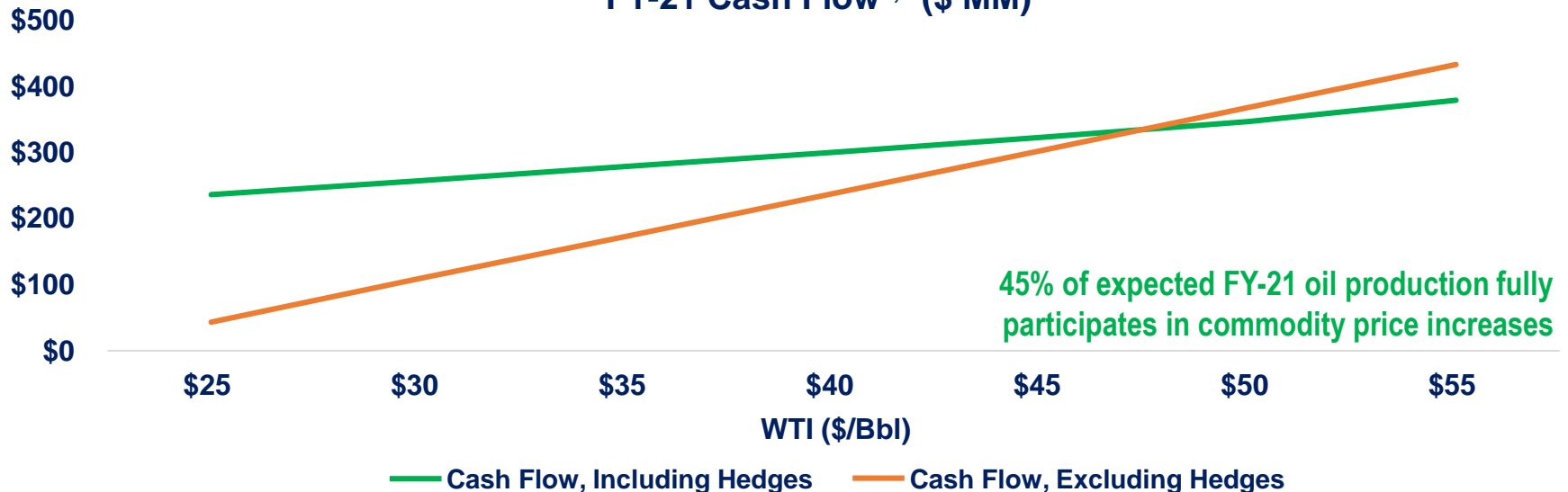
Bal-20¹ Hedged Product Volumes (MBOE)



FY-21 Hedged Product Volumes (MBOE)

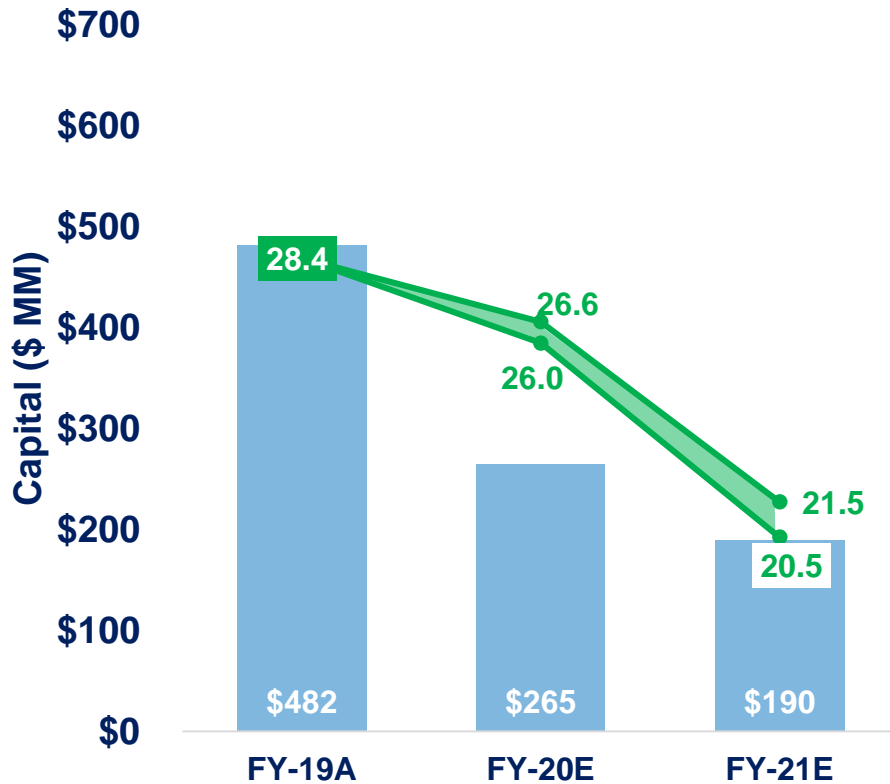


FY-21 Cash Flow^{2,3} (\$ MM)

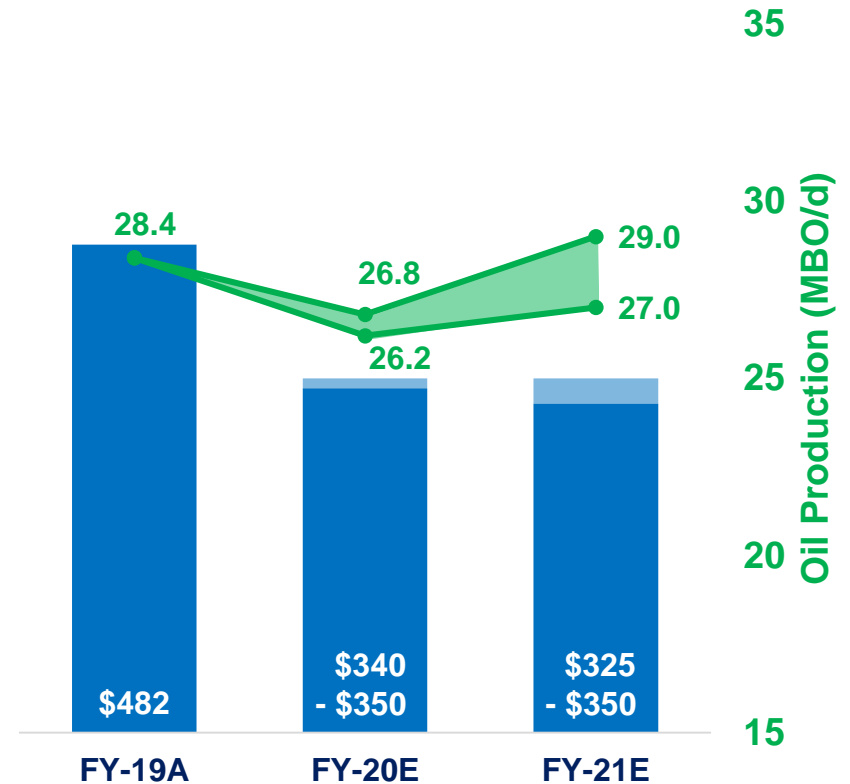


Executing on Core Strategies Transforms Development Plans

Plan as of May-20



Current Plan

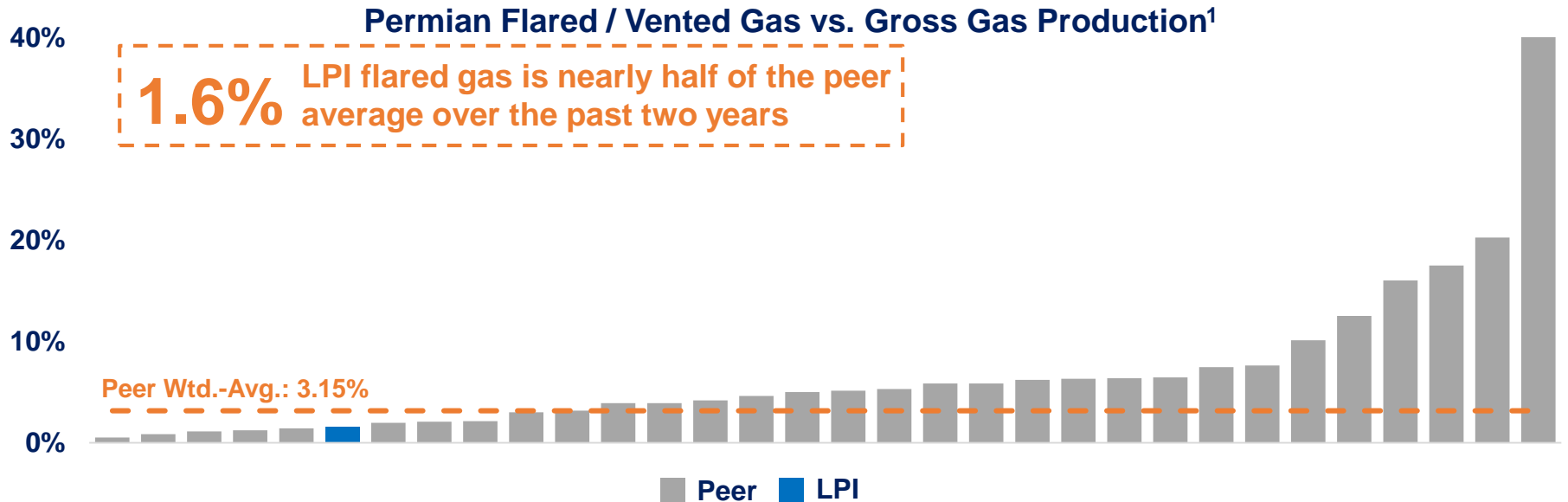
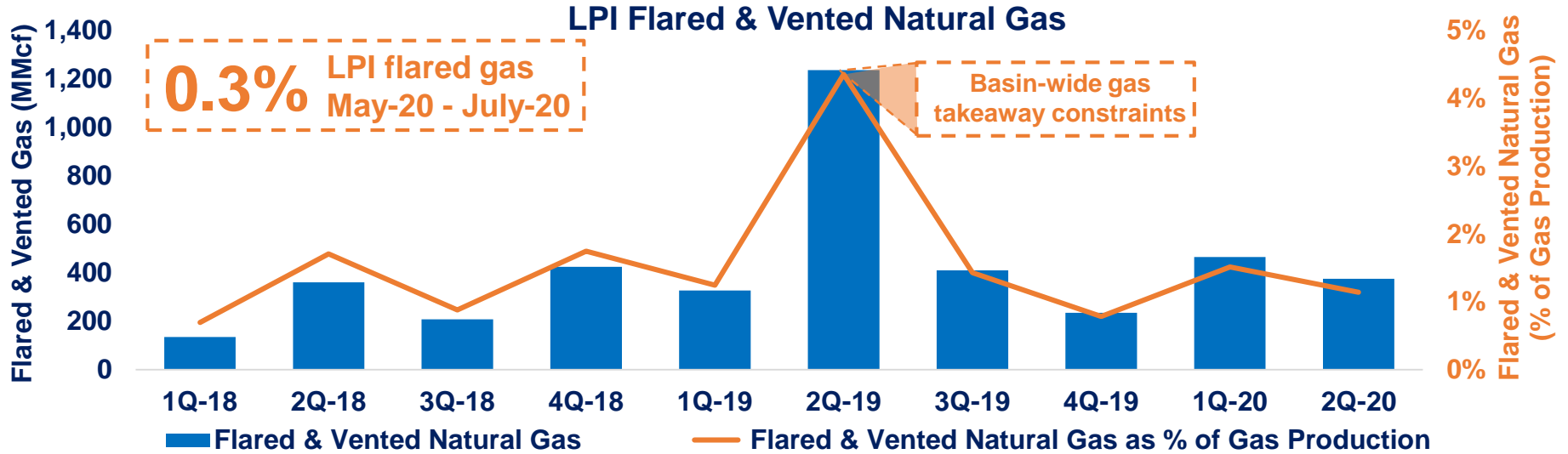


\$/Bbl	2020	2021
Hedged Oil Price ¹	\$57.25	\$45.50

■ Capital² (\$ MM) ■ Oil Production (MBO/d)

**2020 & 2021 normalized development plans
focus on production and Cash Flow³ stability**

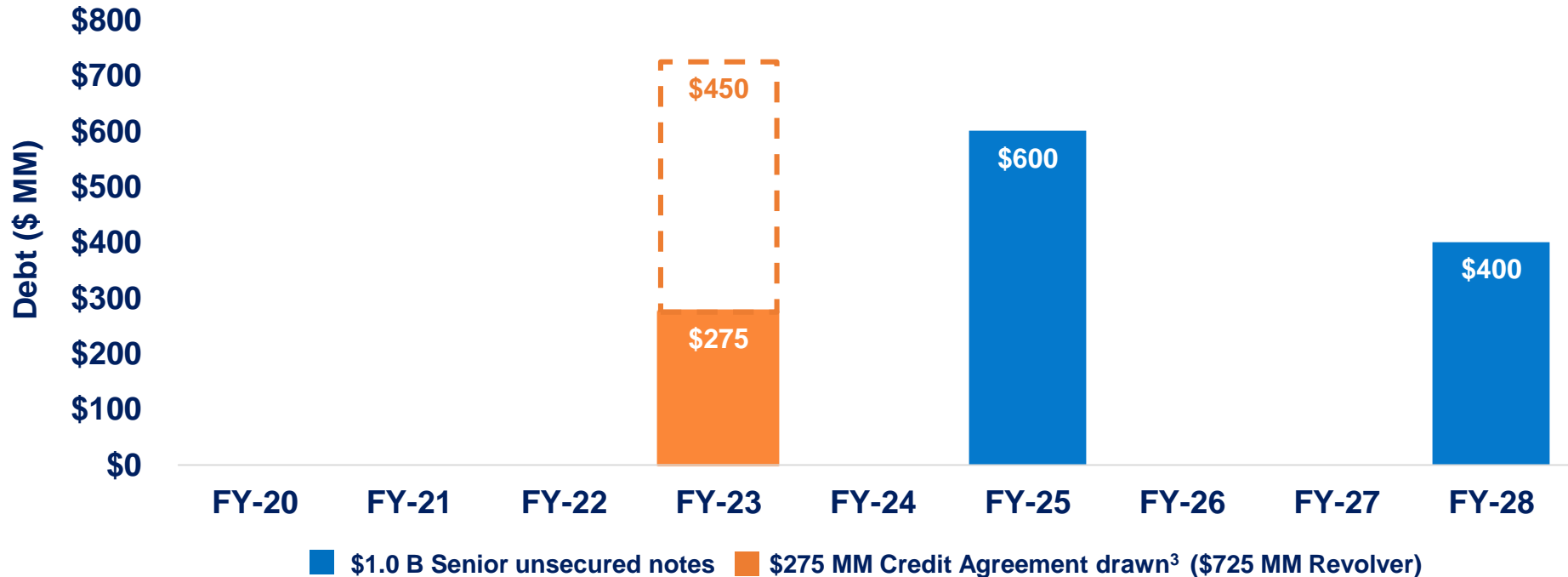
Long-Term Focus on Minimizing Flaring Protects the Environment



Actively Managing our Balance Sheet and Debt Ratios

2.4X Net Debt to Adj. EBITDA^{1,2} (as reported)

2.6X Net Debt to Consolidated EBITDAX¹ (Credit Agreement calculation)



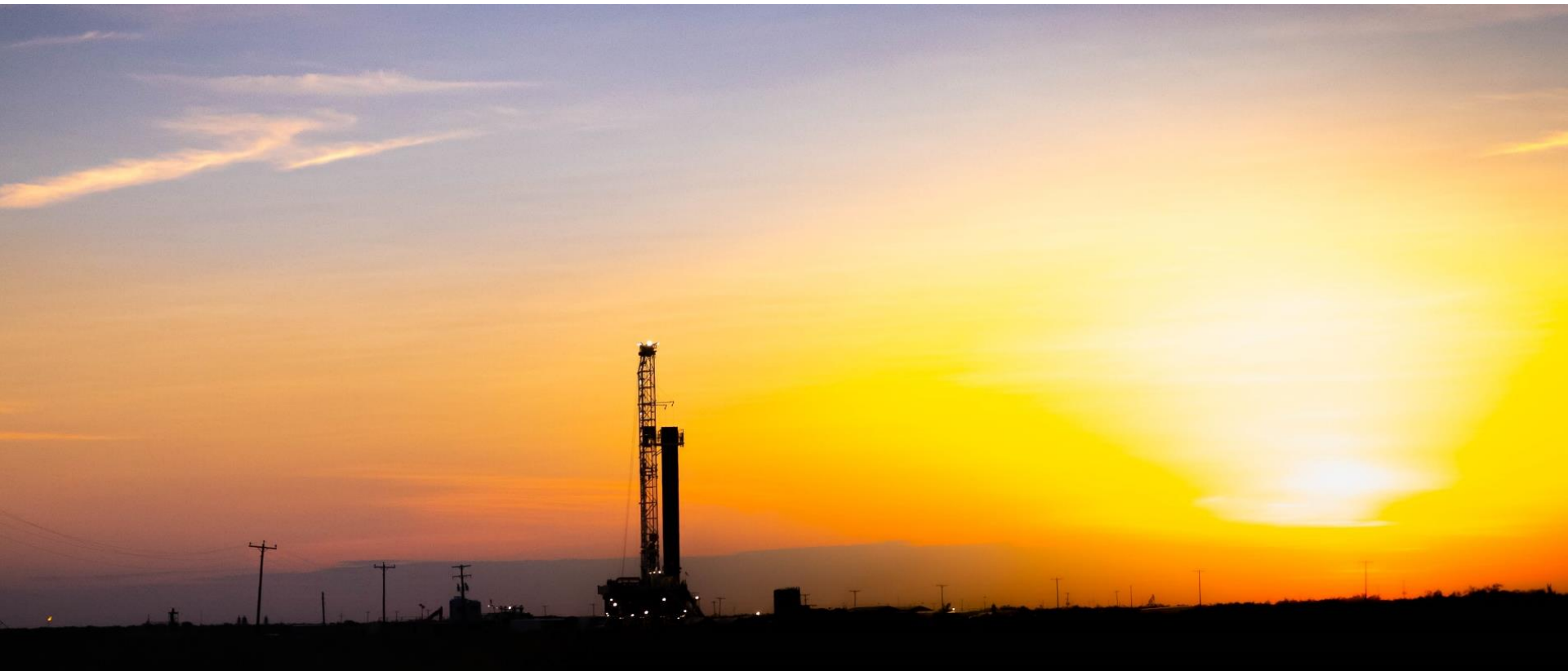
Expect to reduce net borrowings with Free Cash Flow¹ in 2H-20

¹See Appendix for reconciliations and definitions of non-GAAP measures

²Includes TTM Adjusted EBITDA and net debt as of 6-30-20

³Amount drawn as of 6-30-20

L A R E D O P E T R O L E U M



APPENDIX

Increased Activity Accelerates Development of Howard County DUCs

	1Q-20A	2Q-20A	3Q-20E	4Q-20E	FY-20E
Drilling Rigs	4.0	2.4	1.0	1.0	2.1
Spuds	25	17	7	6	55
			Accelerated Activity		
Completion Crews	1.7	0.3	0.3	1.0	0.8
Completions	28	5	0	15	48
Total Capital (\$MM)	\$155	\$78	\$105 - \$115		\$340 - \$350
Avg. Working Interest					98%
Avg. Lateral Length					9,000

Cash Flow¹ from additional activity is secured with additional 2021 hedges

Guidance

Production:	3Q-20	4Q-20	FY-20
Total production (MBOE/d)	83.5 - 85.5	78.0 - 80.0	85.5 - 86.5
Oil production (MBO/d)	24.2 - 25.2	20.5 - 21.5	26.2 - 26.8

Average sales price realizations: <i>(excluding derivatives)</i>	3Q-20
Oil (% of WTI)	96%
NGL (% of WTI)	21%
Natural gas (% of Henry Hub)	54%

Other (\$ MM):	3Q-20
Net income / (expense) of purchased oil	(\$4.5)
Net midstream income / (expense)	\$1.2

Operating costs & expenses (\$/BOE):	3Q-20
Lease operating expenses	\$2.75
Production and ad valorem taxes <i>(% of oil, NGL and natural gas revenues)</i>	7.25%
Transportation and marketing expenses	\$1.40
General and administrative expenses (excluding LTIP)	\$1.40
General and administrative expenses (LTIP cash & non-cash)	\$0.45
Depletion, depreciation and amortization	\$6.50

Commodity Prices Used for 3Q-20 Realization Guidance

Oil:

	WTI NYMEX (\$/Bbl)	Brent ICE (\$/Bbl)
Jul-20	\$40.77	\$43.24
Aug-20	\$41.42	\$44.15
Sep-20	\$41.79	\$44.53
3Q-20 Average	\$41.32	\$43.96

Natural Gas Liquids:

	C2 (\$/Bbl)	C3 (\$/Bbl)	IC4 (\$/Bbl)	NC4 (\$/Bbl)	C5+ (\$/Bbl)	Composite (\$/Bbl)
Jul-20	\$9.07	\$20.76	\$24.56	\$22.21	\$28.69	\$17.13
Aug-20	\$9.03	\$22.05	\$29.40	\$22.31	\$33.92	\$18.27
Sep-20	\$9.16	\$21.45	\$30.08	\$22.37	\$34.18	\$18.18
3Q-20 Average	\$9.09	\$21.42	\$27.99	\$22.29	\$32.24	\$17.86

Natural Gas:

	HH (\$/MMBtu)	Waha (\$/MMBtu)
Jul-20	\$1.50	\$1.33
Aug-20	\$1.85	\$1.30
Sep-20	\$2.10	\$1.55
3Q-20 Average	\$1.81	\$1.39

Strip Pricing

	WTI (\$/Bbl)	Brent (\$/Bbl)	HH (\$/MMBtu)
Bal-20	\$41.45	\$44.60	\$2.45
FY-21	\$43.40	\$46.90	\$2.75
FY-22	\$44.80	\$48.85	\$2.55

Oil, Natural Gas & Natural Gas Liquids Hedges

Hedge Product Summary	Bal-20	FY-21	FY-22
Oil total volume (Bbl)	4,413,220	8,084,750	3,759,500
Oil wtd-avg price (\$/Bbl) - WTI	\$59.40		
Oil wtd-avg price (\$/Bbl) - Brent	\$63.07	\$50.80	\$47.05
Nat gas total volume (MMBtu)	20,787,000	42,522,500	
Nat gas wtd-avg price (\$/MMBtu) - HH	\$2.66	\$2.59	
NGL total volume (Bbl)	1,288,000	2,202,775	

Oil	Bal-20	FY-21	FY-22
WTI Swaps			
Volume (Bbl)	3,217,220		
Wtd-avg price (\$/Bbl)	\$59.40		
Brent Swaps			
Volume (Bbl)	1,196,000	5,037,000	3,759,500
Wtd-avg price (\$/Bbl)	\$63.07	\$49.43	\$47.05
Brent Puts			
Volume (Bbl)		2,463,750	
Wtd-avg floor price (\$/Bbl)		\$55.00	
Brent Collars			
Volume (Bbl)		584,000	
Wtd-avg floor price (\$/Bbl)		\$45.00	
Wtd-avg ceiling price (\$/Bbl)		\$59.50	
Oil Basis Swaps			
	Bal-20	FY-21	FY-22
Brent/WTI			
Volume (Bbl)	1,803,200		
Wtd-avg price (\$/Bbl)	\$5.09		
Natural Gas Swaps			
	Bal-20	FY-21	FY-22
HH			
Volume (MMBtu)	20,787,000 ¹	42,522,500	
Wtd-avg price (\$/MMBtu)	\$2.66	\$2.59	

Natural Gas Liquids Swaps	Bal-20	FY-21	FY-22
Ethane			
Volume (Bbl)	184,000	912,500	
Wtd-avg price (\$/Bbl)	\$13.60	\$12.01	
Propane			
Volume (Bbl)	625,600	730,000	
Wtd-avg price (\$/Bbl)	\$26.58	\$25.52	
Normal Butane			
Volume (Bbl)	220,800	255,500	
Wtd-avg price (\$/Bbl)	\$28.69	\$27.72	
Isobutane			
Volume (Bbl)	55,200	67,525	
Wtd-avg price (\$/Bbl)	\$29.99	\$28.79	
Natural Gasoline			
Volume (Bbl)	202,400	237,250	
Wtd-avg price (\$/Bbl)	\$45.15	\$44.31	
Basis Swaps			
	Bal-20	FY-21	FY-22
Waha/HH			
Volume (MMBtu)	21,160,000	41,610,000	7,300,000
Wtd-avg price (\$/MMBtu)	(\$0.82)	(\$0.55)	(\$0.53)

Supplemental Non-GAAP Financial Measures

Adjusted EBITDA

Adjusted EBITDA is a non-GAAP financial measure that we define as net income or loss plus adjustments for share-settled equity-based compensation, depletion, depreciation and amortization, impairment expense, mark-to-market on derivatives, premiums paid for commodity derivatives that matured during the period, accretion expense, gains or losses on disposal of assets, interest expense, income taxes and other non-recurring income and expenses. Adjusted EBITDA provides no information regarding a company's capital structure, borrowings, interest costs, capital expenditures, working capital movement or tax position. Adjusted EBITDA does not represent funds available for future discretionary use because it excludes funds required for debt service, capital expenditures, working capital, income taxes, franchise taxes and other commitments and obligations. However, our management believes Adjusted EBITDA is useful to an investor in evaluating our operating performance because this measure: is widely used by investors in the oil and natural gas industry to measure a company's operating performance without regard to items that can vary substantially from company to company depending upon accounting methods, the book value of assets, capital structure and the method by which assets were acquired, among other factors; helps investors to more meaningfully evaluate and compare the results of our operations from period to period by removing the effect of our capital structure from our operating structure; and is used by our management for various purposes, including as a measure of operating performance, in presentations to our board of directors and as a basis for strategic planning and forecasting. There are significant limitations to the use of Adjusted EBITDA as a measure of performance, including the inability to analyze the effect of certain recurring and non-recurring items that materially affect our net income or loss and the lack of comparability of results of operations to different companies due to the different methods of calculating Adjusted EBITDA reported by different companies. Our measurements of Adjusted EBITDA for financial reporting as compared to compliance under our debt agreements differ.

The following table presents a reconciliation of net income (loss) (GAAP) to Adjusted EBITDA (non-GAAP):

<i>(in thousands, unaudited)</i>	Three months ended,			
	9/30/19	12/31/19	3/31/20 ¹	6/30/20
Net income (loss)	(\$264,629)	(\$241,721)	\$74,646	(\$545,455)
Plus:				
Share-settled equity-based compensation, net	(1,739)	3,046	2,376	1,694
Depletion, depreciation and amortization	69,099	67,846	61,302	66,574
Impairment expense	397,890	222,999	186,699	406,448
Organizational restructuring expense	5,965	—	—	4,200
Mark-to-market on derivatives:				
(Gain) loss on derivatives, net	(96,684)	57,562	(297,836)	90,537
Settlements received (paid) for matured derivatives, net	25,245	14,394	47,723	86,872
Settlements paid for early terminations of derivatives, net	—	—	—	—
Premiums paid for derivatives	(1,415)	(1,399)	(477)	—
Accretion expense	1,005	1,041	1,106	1,117
(Gain) loss on disposal of assets, net	(1,294)	(67)	602	(152)
Interest expense	15,191	15,044	24,970	27,072
Loss on extinguishment of debt	—	—	13,320	—
Write-off of debt issuance costs	—	935	—	1,103
Income tax (benefit) expense	(2,467)	(1,776)	2,417	(7,173)
Adjusted EBITDA	\$146,167	\$137,904	\$116,848	\$132,837

Supplemental Non-GAAP Financial Measures

Consolidated EBITDAX (Credit Agreement Calculation)

“**Consolidated EBITDAX**” means, for any Person for any period, the Consolidated Net Income of such Person for such period, plus each of the following, to the extent deducted in determining Consolidated Net Income without duplication, determined for such Person and its Consolidated Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis for such period: any provision for (or less any benefit from) income or franchise Taxes; interest expense (as determined under GAAP as in effect as of December 31, 2016), depreciation, depletion and amortization expense; exploration expenses; and other non-cash charges to the extent not already included in the foregoing clauses (ii), (iii) or (iv), plus the aggregate Specified EBITDAX Adjustments during such period; *provided* that the aggregate Specified EBITDAX Adjustments shall not exceed fifteen percent (15%) of the Consolidated EBITDAX for such period prior to giving effect to any Specified EBITDAX Adjustments for such period, and minus all non-cash income to the extent included in determining Consolidated Net Income. For the purposes of calculating Consolidated EBITDAX for any Rolling Period in connection with any determination of the financial ratio contained in [Section 10.1\(b\)](#), if during such Rolling Period, Borrower or any Consolidated Restricted Subsidiary shall have made a Material Disposition or Material Acquisition, the Consolidated EBITDAX for such Rolling Period shall be calculated after giving pro forma effect thereto as if such Material Disposition or Material Acquisition, as applicable, occurred on the first day of such Rolling Period.

For additional information, please see the Company's Fifth Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, as amended, dated May 2, 2017 as filed with Securities and Exchange Commission.

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Loss on early redemption of debt	-	-	13,320	-
(Gain) loss on disposal of assets, net	(1,294)	(67)	602	(152)
Consolidated Net Income (Loss)	(259,958)	(241,788)	88,568	(541,407)
Mark-to-market on derivatives:				
(Gain) loss on derivatives, net	(96,684)	57,562	(297,836)	90,537
Settlements received (paid) for matured commodity derivatives, net	25,245	14,394	47,723	86,872
Settlements received (paid) for early terminations of commodity derivatives, net	-	-	-	-
Mark-to-market (gain) loss on derivatives, net	(71,439)	71,956	(250,113)	177,409
Premiums paid for commodity derivatives	(1,415)	(1,399)	(477)	(50,593)
Non-Cash Charges/Income:				
Deferred income tax expense (benefit)	(2,467)	(1,776)	2,417	(7,173)
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Accretion expense	1,005	1,041	1,106	1,117
Impairment expense	397,890	222,999	186,699	406,448
Write-off of debt issuance costs	-	935	-	1,103
Interest Expense	15,191	15,044	24,970	27,072
Consolidated EBITDAX after EBITDAX Adjustments (limited to 15%)	\$146,167	\$137,904	\$116,848	\$82,244

Supplemental Non-GAAP Financial Measures

Net debt to TTM Adjusted EBITDA

Net Debt to TTM Adjusted EBITDA is calculated as net debt divided by trailing twelve-month Adjusted EBITDA. Net debt is calculated as the face value of debt, reduced by cash and cash equivalents.

Net Debt to Adjusted EBITDA is used by our management for various purposes, including as a measure of operating performance, in presentations to our board of directors and as a basis for strategic planning and forecasting.

See Appendix slides for a definition of Adjusted EBITDA and for a reconciliation of Net Income to Adjusted EBITDA.

Net debt to TTM Consolidated EBITDAX (Credit Agreement Calculation)

Net Debt to TTM Consolidated EBITDAX is calculated as net debt divided by trailing twelve-month Consolidated EBITDAX. Net debt is calculated as the face value of debt, reduced by cash and cash equivalents.

Net Debt to Consolidated EBITDAX is used by the banks in our Senior Secured Credit Agreement as a measure of indebtedness and as a calculation to measure compliance with the Company's leverage covenant.

See Appendix slides for a definition of Consolidated EBITDAX and for a reconciliation of Net Income to Consolidated EBITDAX.

Liquidity

Calculated as the Company's outstanding borrowings on its Senior Secured Credit Agreement, less outstanding letters of credit, plus cash and cash equivalents.

Cash Flow

Cash flow, a non-GAAP financial measure, represents cash flows from operating activities before changes in operating assets and liabilities, net.

Free Cash Flow

Free Cash Flow, a non-GAAP financial measure, represents net cash provided by operating activities before changes in operating assets and liabilities, net, less costs incurred, excluding non-budgeted acquisition costs. It does not represent funds available for future discretionary use because it excludes funds required for future debt service, capital expenditures, acquisitions, working capital, income taxes, franchise taxes and other commitments and obligations. Management believes Free Cash Flow is useful to management and investors in evaluating operating trends in our business that are affected by production, commodity prices, operating costs and other related factors. There are significant limitations to the use of Free Cash Flow as a measure of performance, including the lack of comparability due to the different methods of calculating Free Cash Flow reported by different companies.