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Top Oil and Gas Producers, Financial Experts to Share Cost-Cutting Strategy at 2015 DUG *Eagle Ford* Conference

Houston, Texas (September 1, 2015) – As the world's most active shale play, the Eagle Ford is expected to lead the way during the next phase of business cycle. More than 4,000 industry professionals will explore the path forward at Hart Energy's [DUG *Eagle Ford*](#) conference and exhibition. It is set for **October 25-27** at the **Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center** in **San Antonio**, Texas.

Attendees will hear from operators like **Pioneer Natural Resources** Executive Vice President **Ken Sheffield** who oversees the company's South Texas operations. The current focus: raising well productivity and lowering well costs. Sheffield will provide first-hand knowledge about developing Eagle Ford reservoirs, and how the play fits into Pioneer's overall corporate strategy.

Another notable speaker: **Mark Paull**, vice president for **Goldman Sachs'** Global Natural Resources group. He will assess the current financial landscape and offer his insight from the investment banking firm's view of the Eagle Ford. Paull will discuss equity and debt raises, as well as mergers and acquisitions.

DUG *Eagle Ford* offers an [impressive lineup of speakers](#).

- **Gregory P. Leveille**, Unconventional Reservoirs Technology - Program GM, **ConocoPhillips**
- **Kirk Spilman**, Regional Vice President, **Marathon Oil**
- **Jeff Balmer**, VP & GM - Western Operating Area, **Encana Services Company Ltd.**
- **Bill Martinez**, Vice President - South Texas, **Chesapeake Energy Corp.**
- **Tom Petrie**, Chairman, **Petrie Partners**
- **Robert Bryce**, Author and Senior Fellow, **The Manhattan Institute**
- **Steve Herod**, President, **Halcon Resources Corp.**
- **Tony Sanchez III**, President and CEO, **Sanchez Energy Corp.**
- **Glenn Hart**, Chairman, President and CEO, **Laredo Energy IV LP**
- **Frank Lodzinski**, CEO and President, **Earthstone Energy**
- **Chip Simmons**, CEO, **Titanium Exploration Partners**
- **Toby Deen**, Operations Engineer - Eagle Ford, **Devon Energy**
- **Vance Hazzard**, VP Operations - South Texas Asset Team, **Pioneer Natural Resources**
- **Robby McDaniel**, Vice President of Production, **Stonegate Production Co.**
- **Neil Modeland**, Southeast Area BD Technology Manager, **Halliburton**
- **Thomas Bonny**, Vice President, North & South America, **Schlumberger Business Consulting**
- **Brian A. Matusek**, VP - Latin America and Integrated Solutions, **Cameron**
- **Daniel Mohan**, Senior Vice President, **Ayata**
- **Jessica Garrison**, Manager – Upstream, **Stratas Advisors**
- **Ed Schneider**, Vice President, Energy Insight, **McKinsey & Co.**

As a special feature, veterans' family advocate **Taya Kyle** will deliver a keynote address during the networking luncheon. She continues the legacy of her late husband **Chris Kyle**, known as the **American Sniper**. His bestselling autobiography (and the Oscar-nominated film) immortalized his service as a Navy SEAL marksman. Taya will share her personal perspective on the sacrifices our nation's service members and their families make to protect our freedoms. Proceeds from the **DUG Eagle Ford** 2015 Golf Invitational benefit the Chris Kyle Frog Foundation.

DUG Eagle Ford is co-located with Hart Energy's [MIDSTREAM Texas](#) conference. The conferences share a single exhibition floor. All conference attendees will be admitted to the networking luncheon. [Conference registration](#) is available online with an early-bird discount until Friday, October 2. To view the agenda, visit DUGEagleFord.com.

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