

Wireline Log Interpretations and Preliminary CO₂ Capacity Estimates for the Baltimore Canyon Trough

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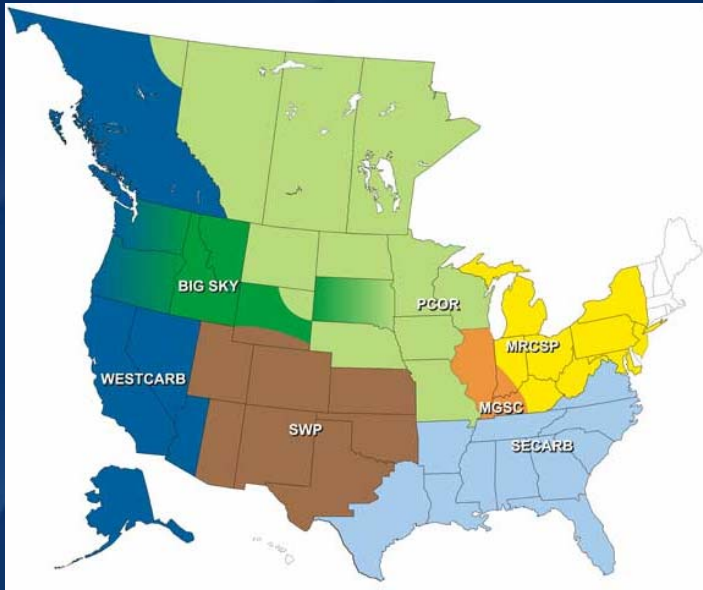
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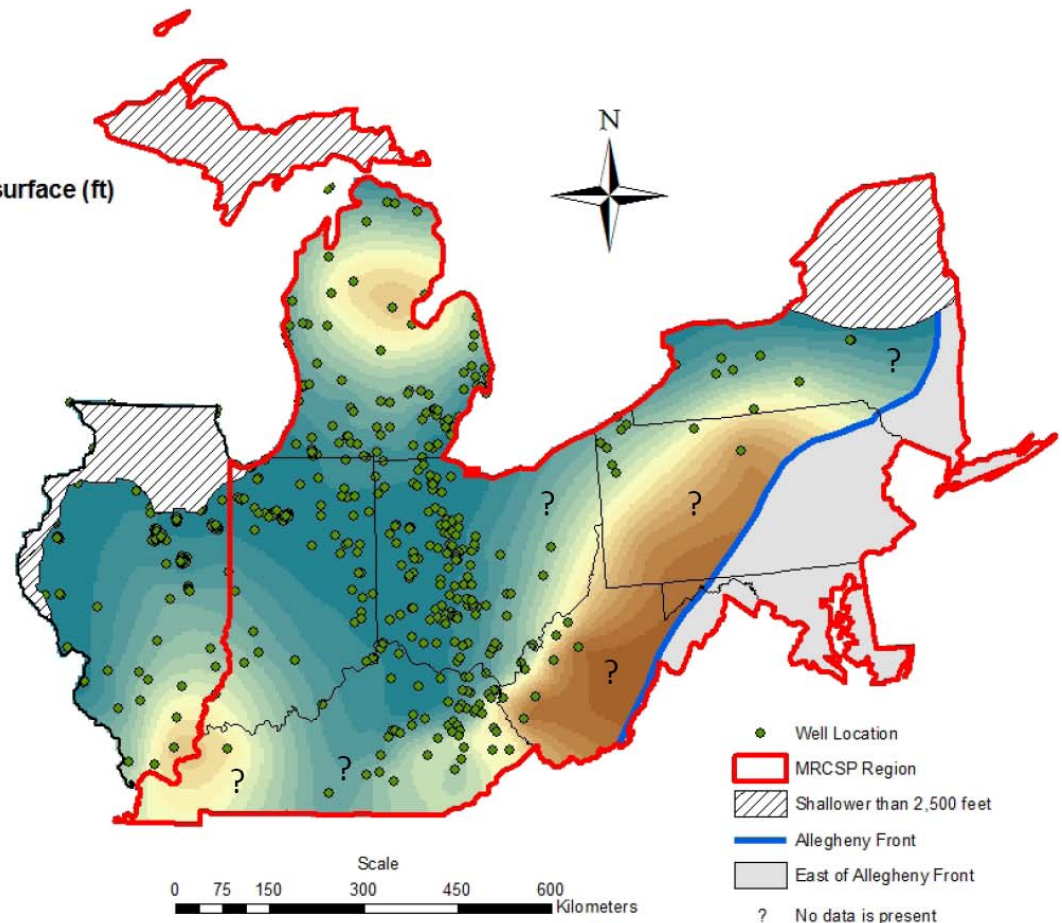
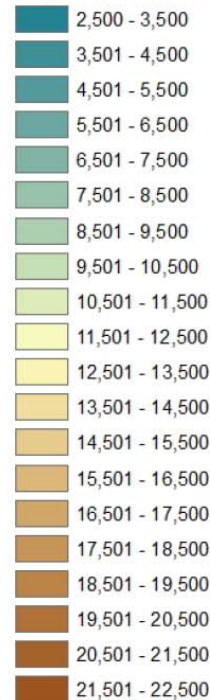


Midwest Region Carbon Sequestration Partnership

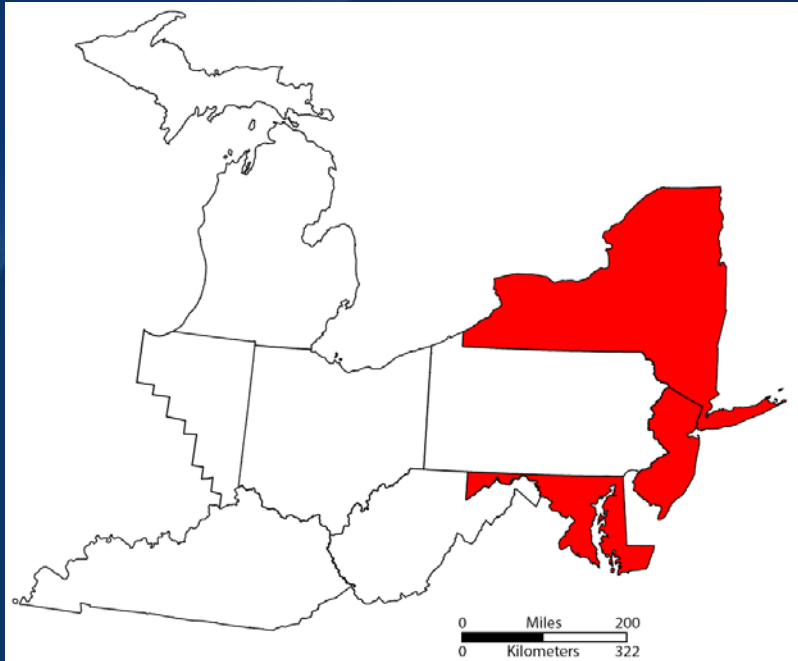


Phases I and II
focused on
characterization
of potential
onshore geologic
sequestration
targets

Depth from ground surface (ft)



Phase III: Offshore Component



More than 450 miles
of coastline



Why Offshore?

- Proximity to point sources
- Enormous potential capacity
- None of the on land leasing and legal issues
- Density inversion
- Low salinity formation water
- Hydrate formation
- Pressure management options

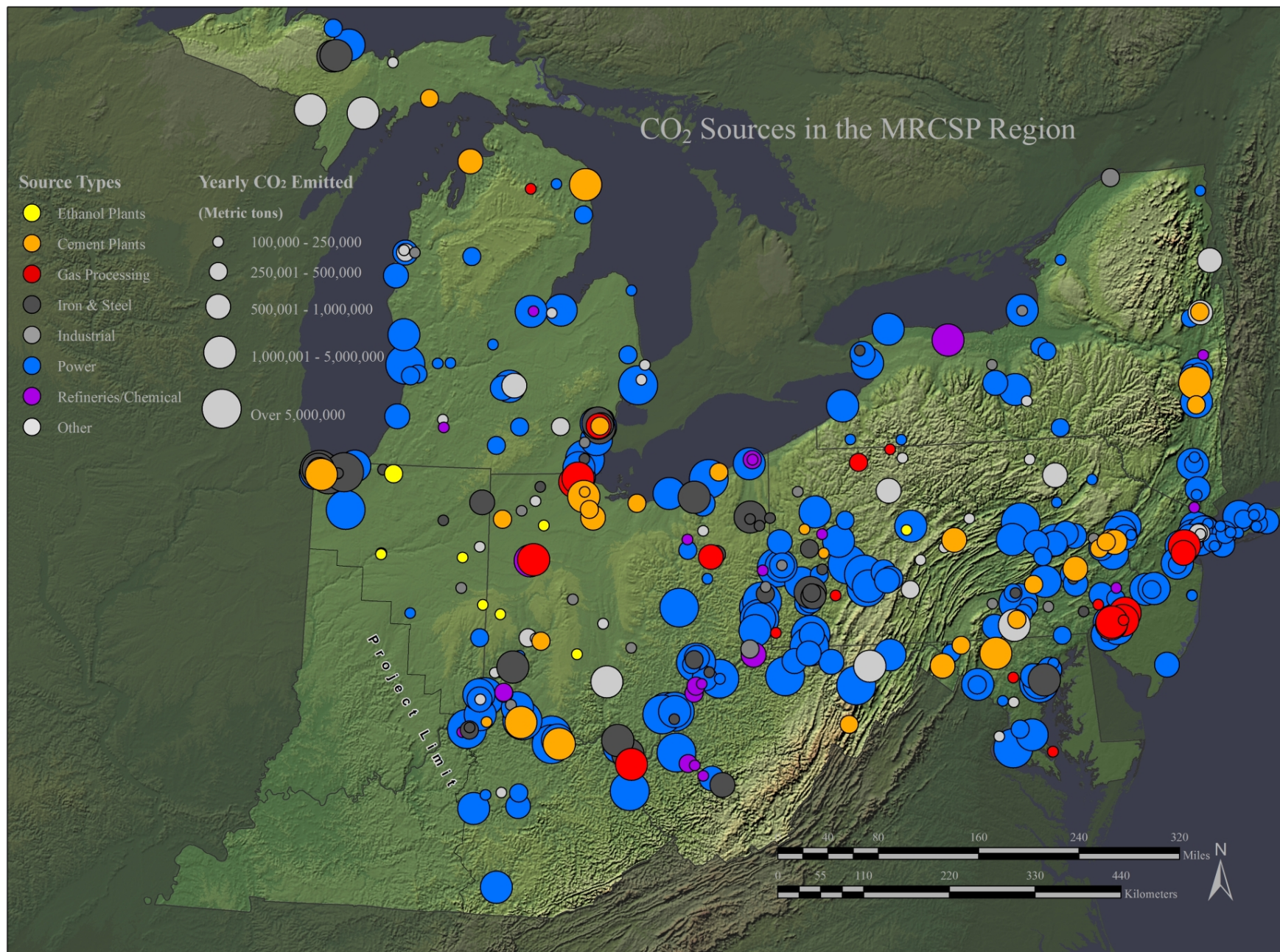
CO₂ Sources in the MRCSP Region

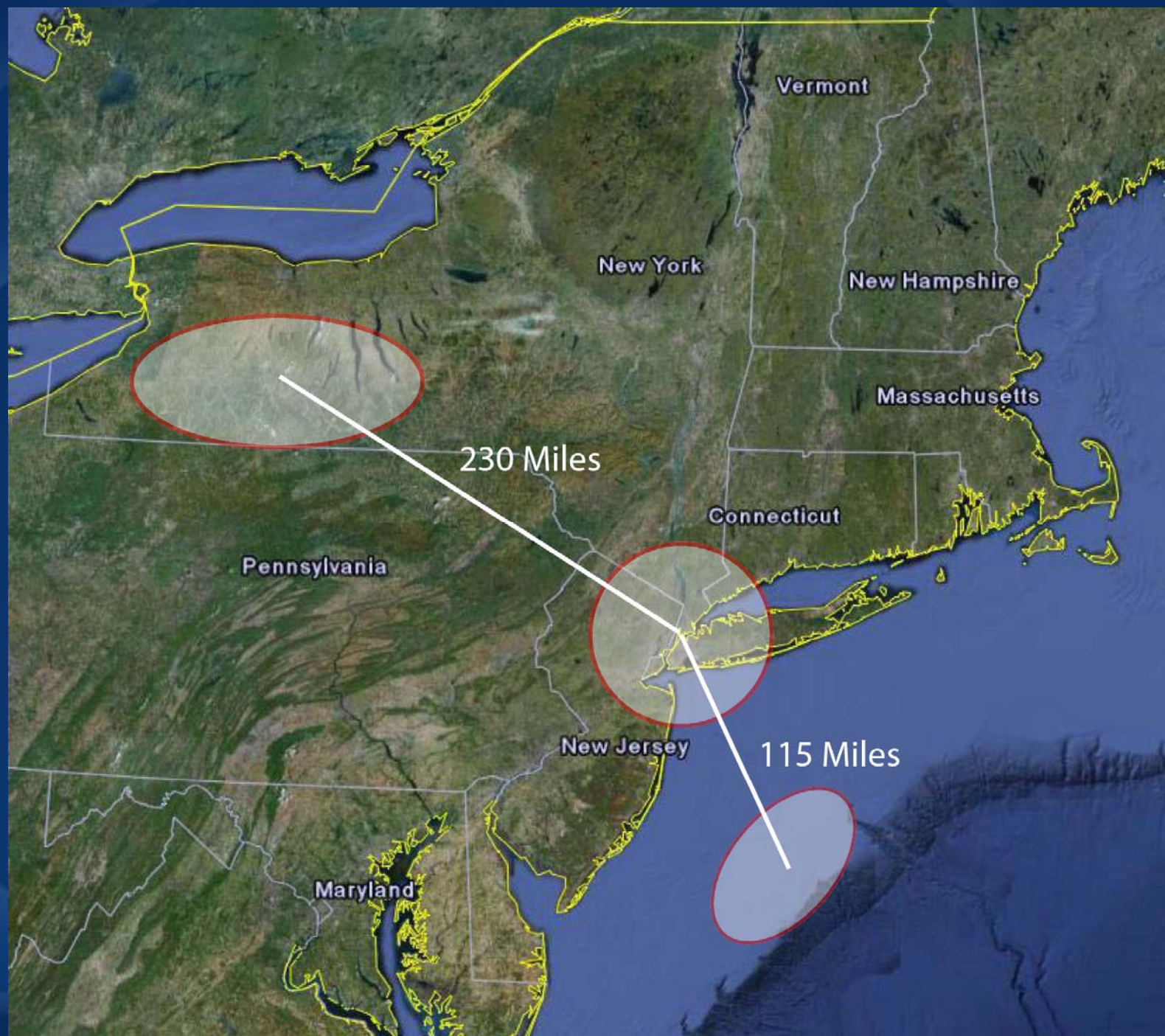
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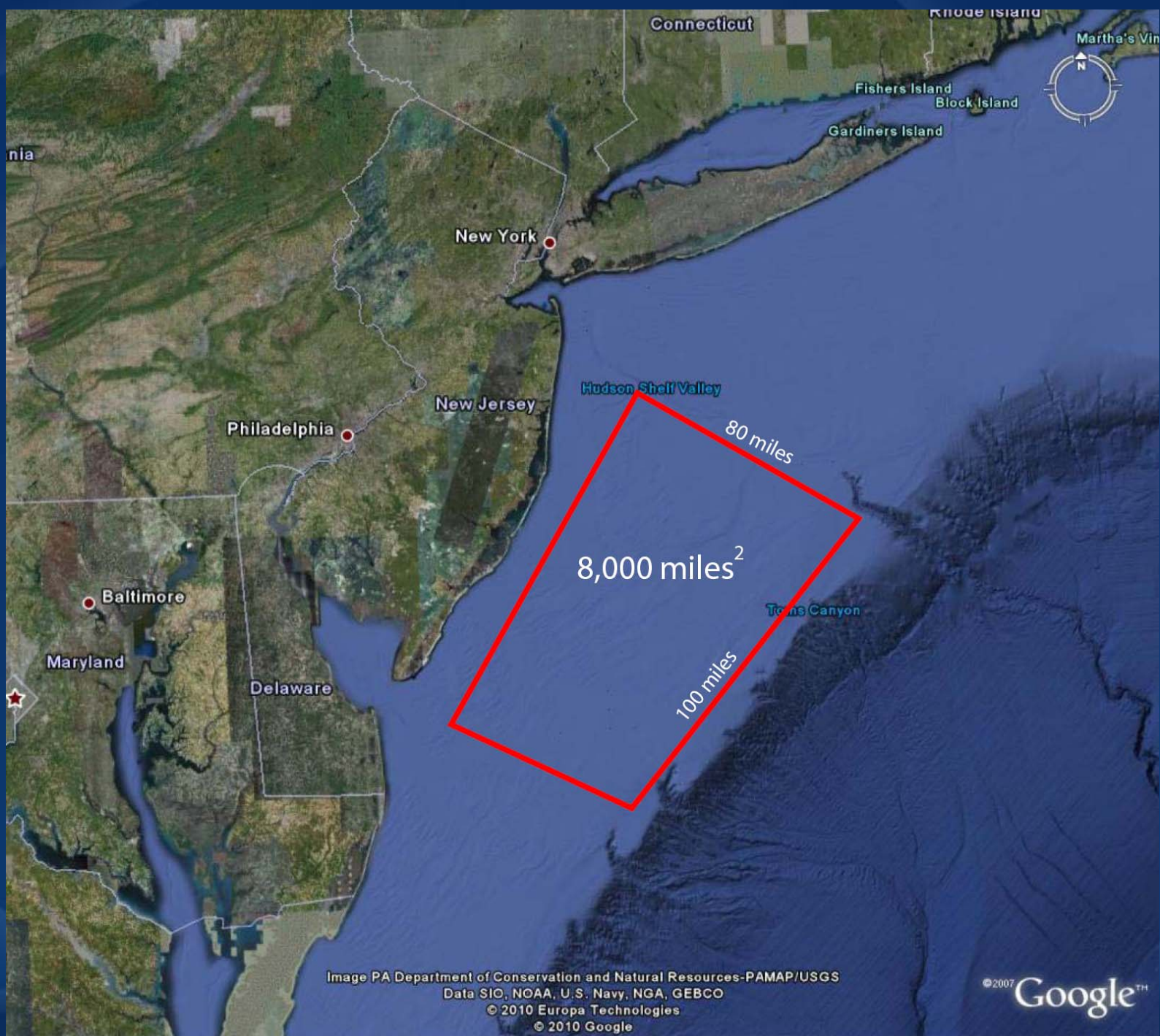
- Ethanol Plants
- Cement Plants
- Gas Processing
- Iron & Steel
- Industrial
- Power
- Refineries/Chemical
- Other

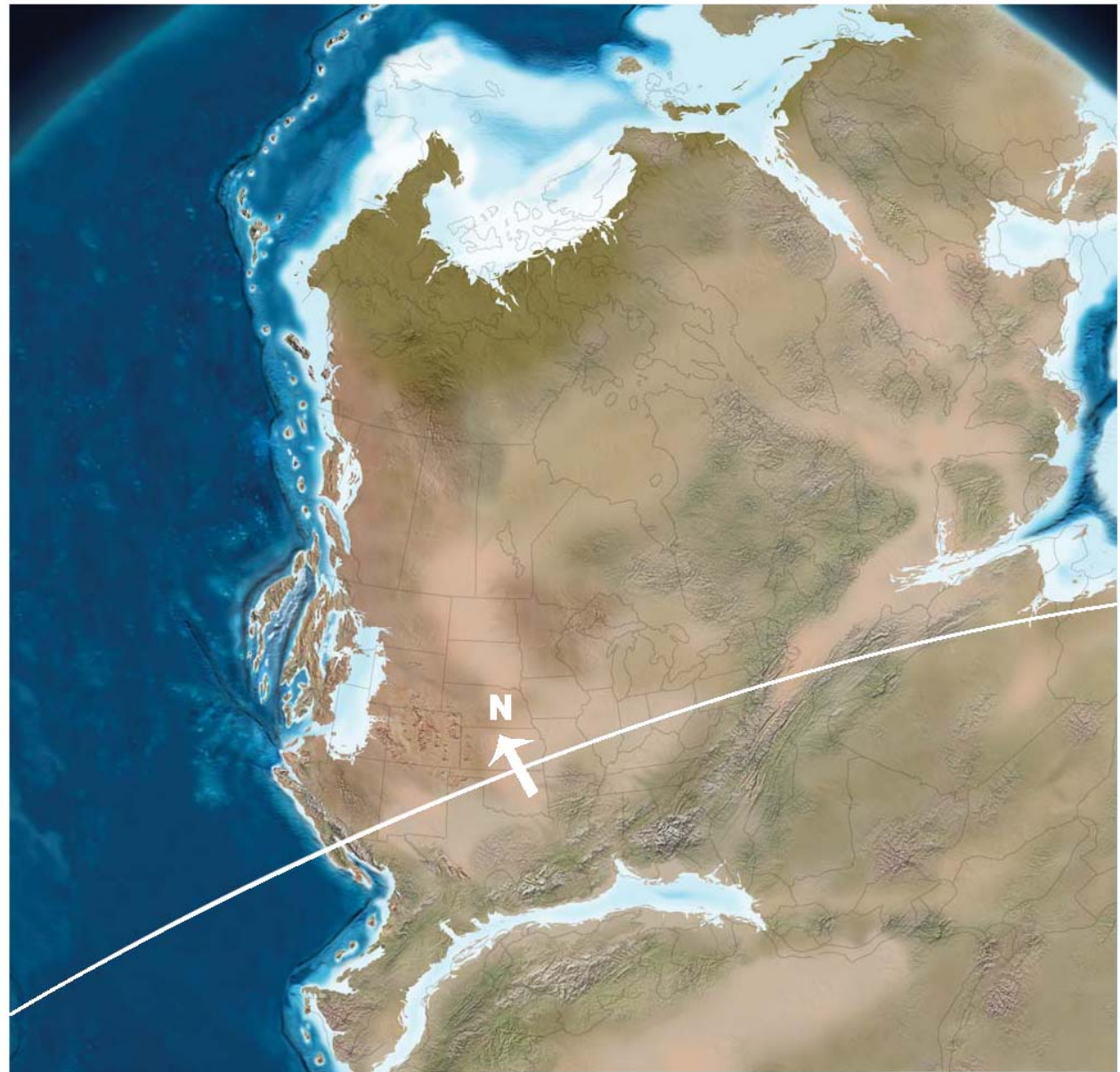
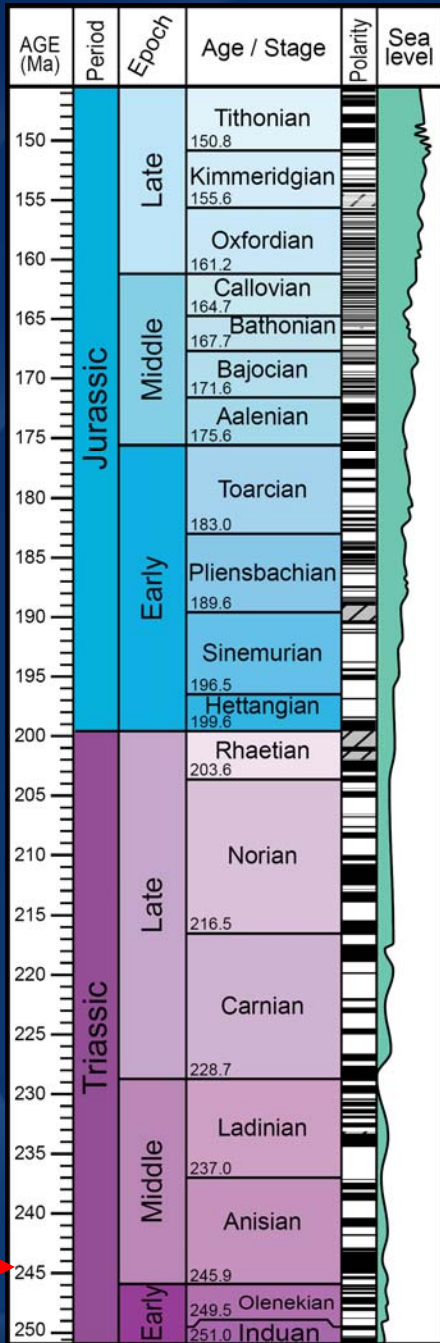
Yearly CO₂ Emitted (Metric tons)

- 100,000 - 250,000
- 250,001 - 500,000
- 500,001 - 1,000,000
- 1,000,001 - 5,000,000
- Over 5,000,000

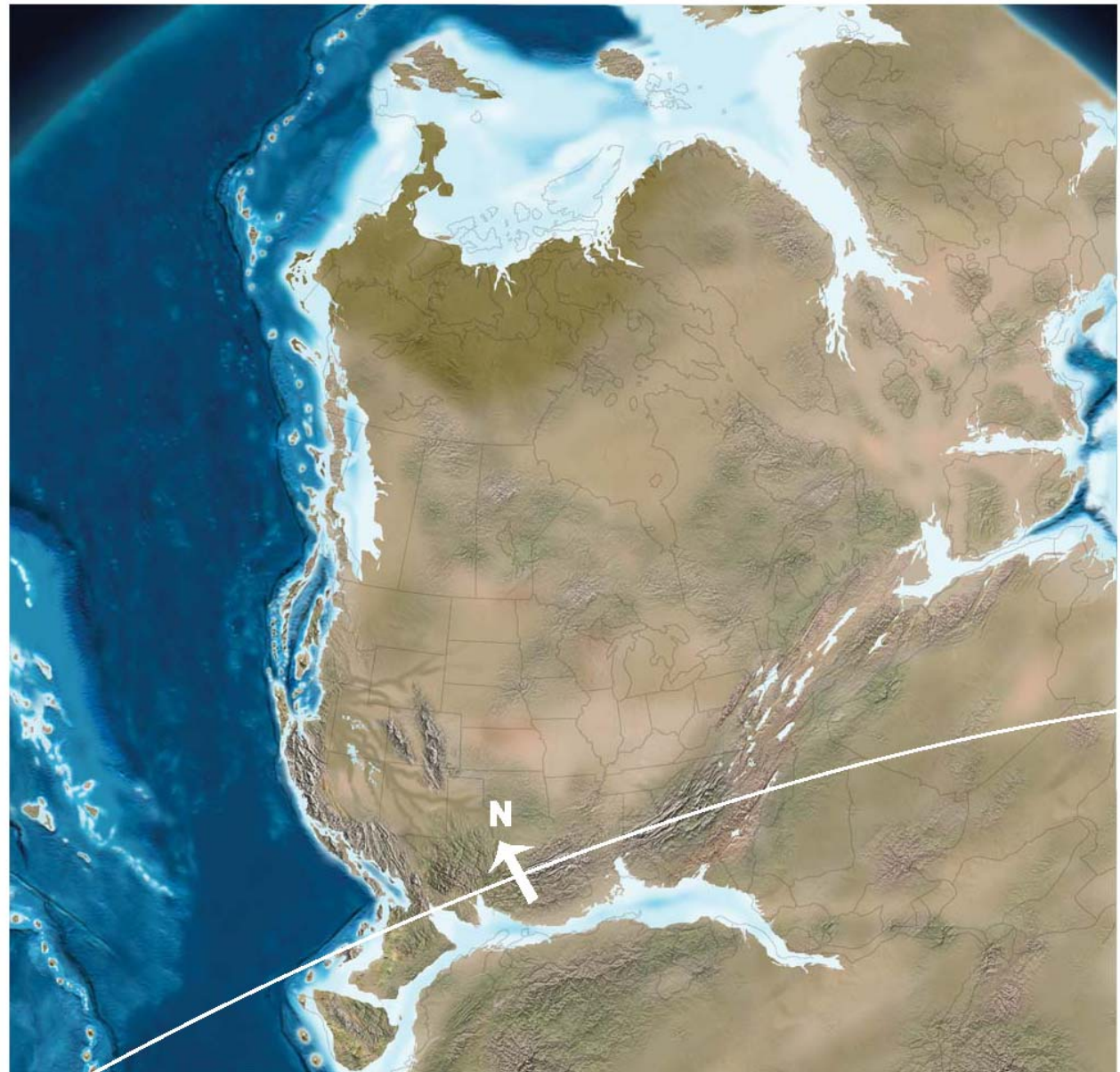
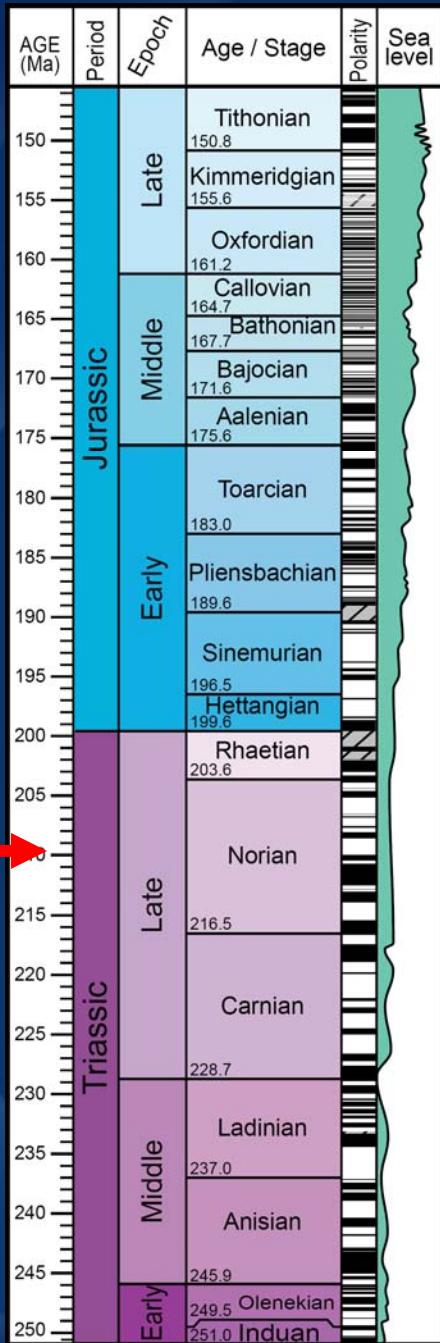




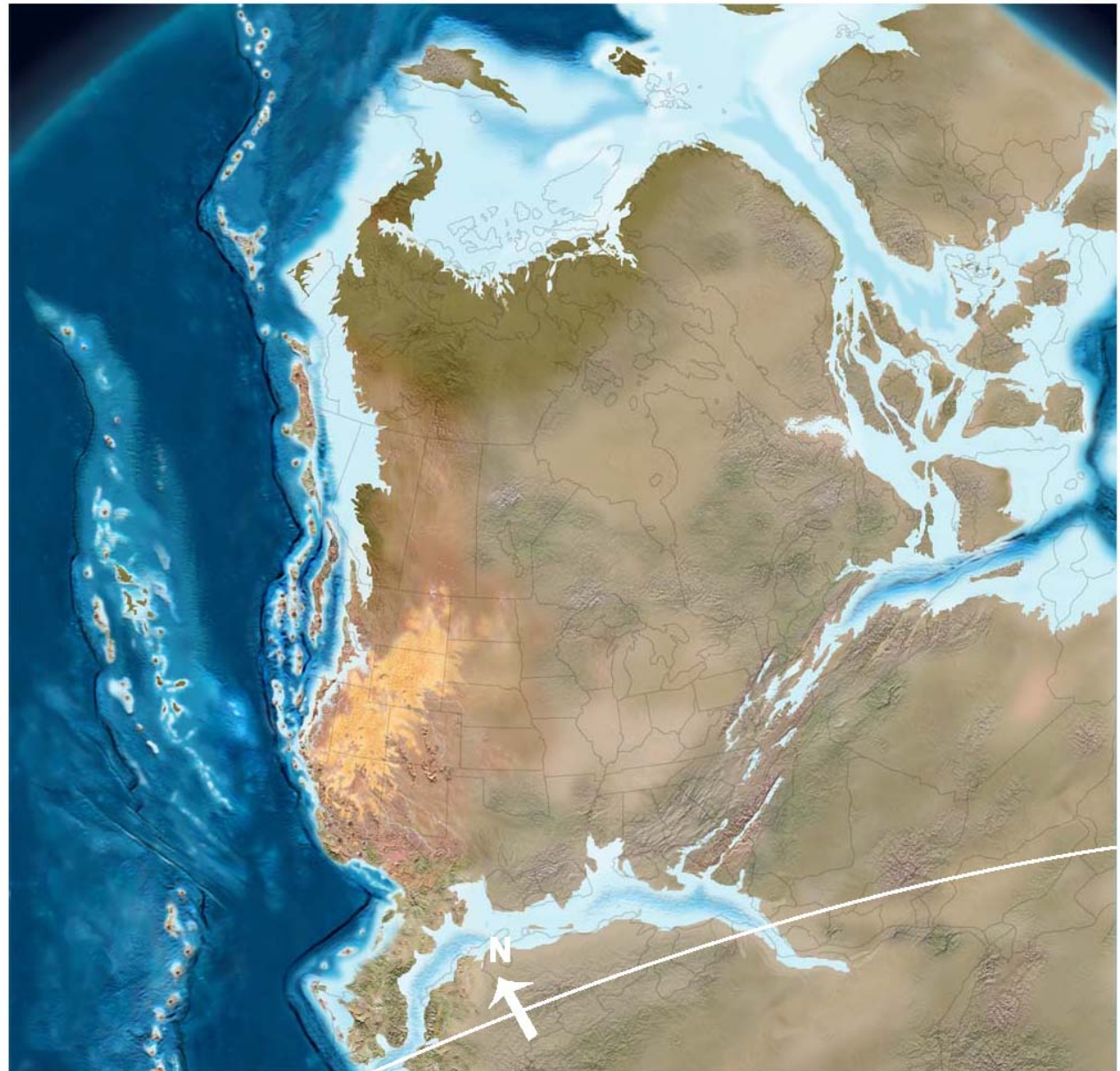
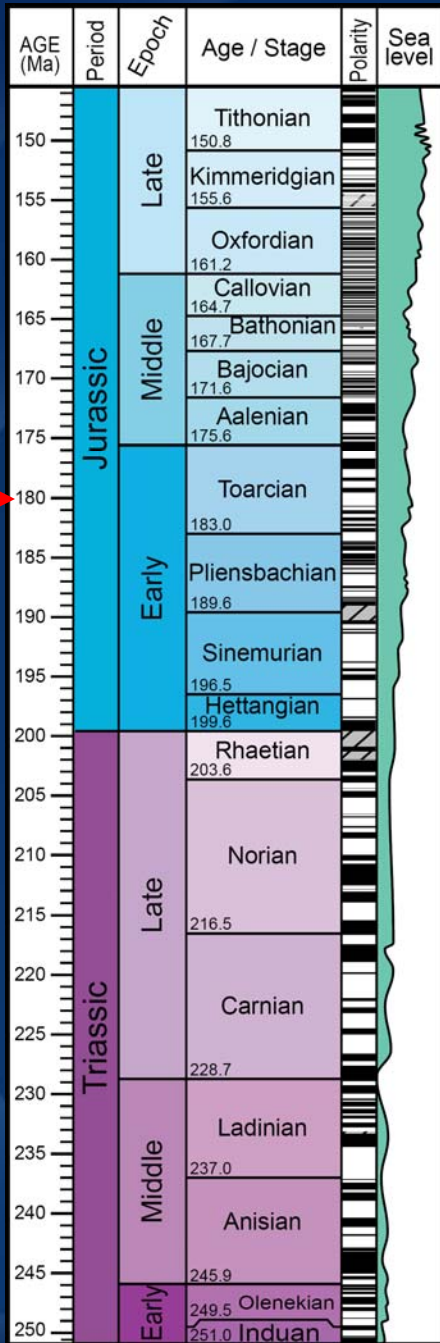




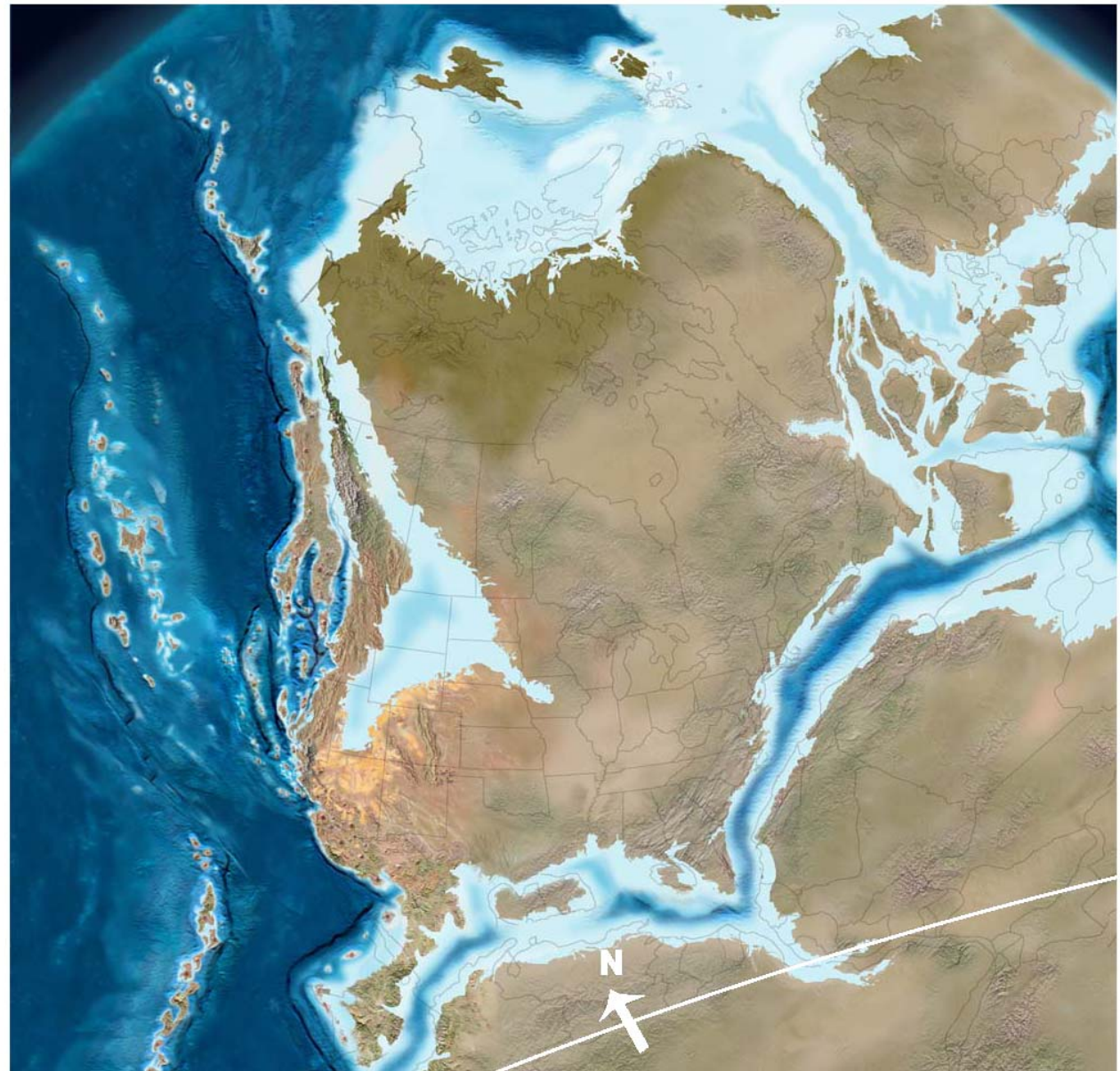
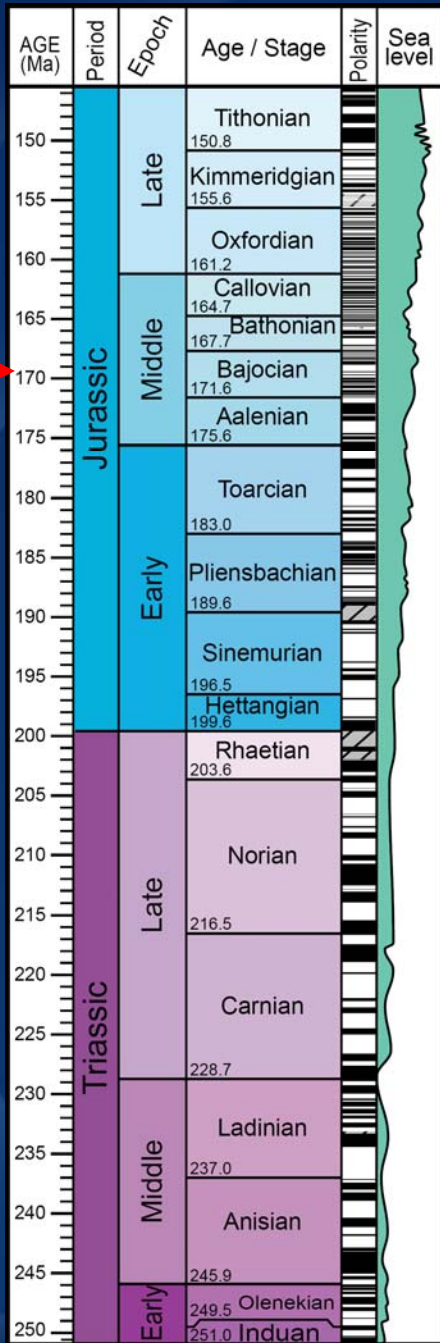
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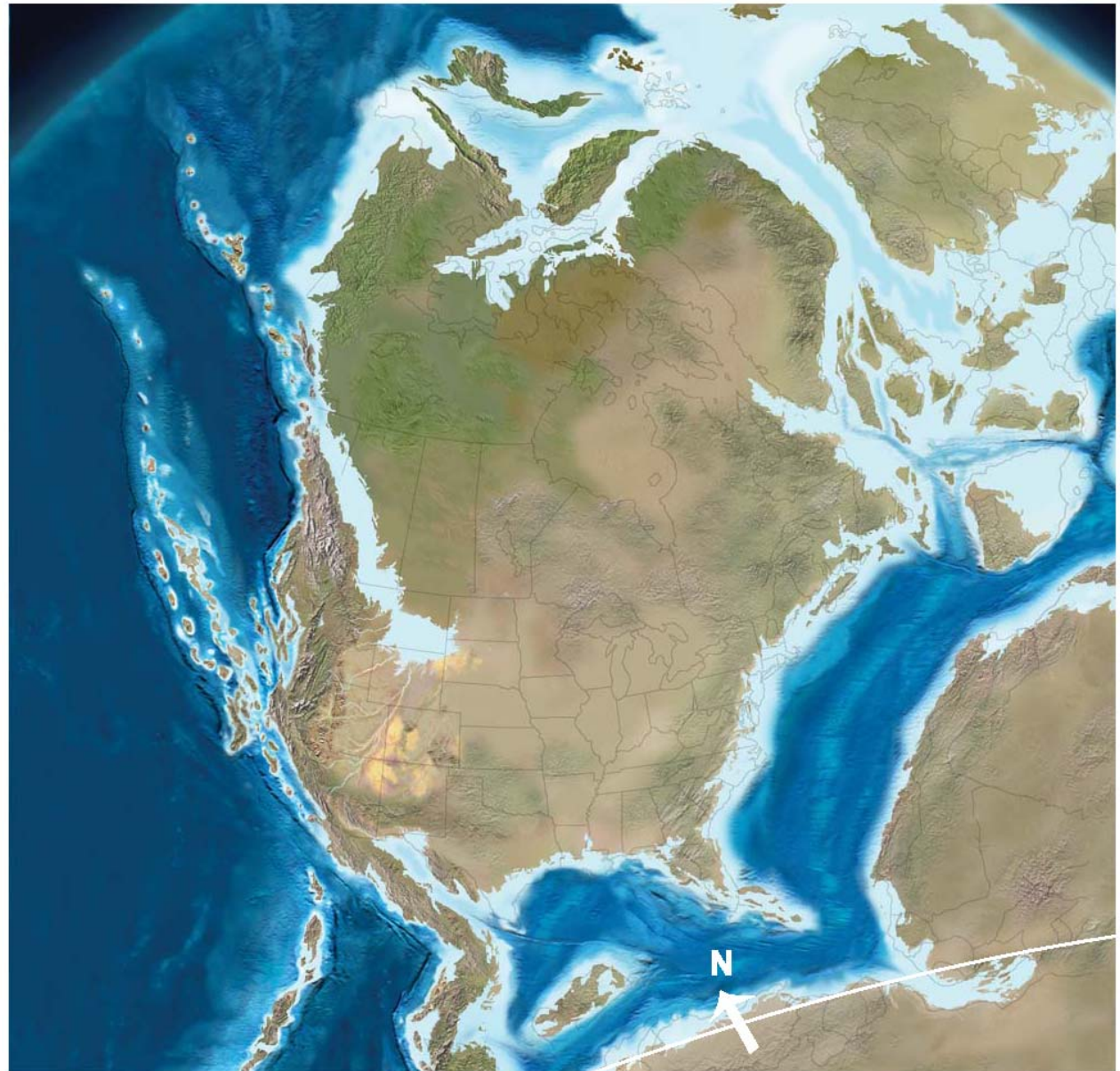
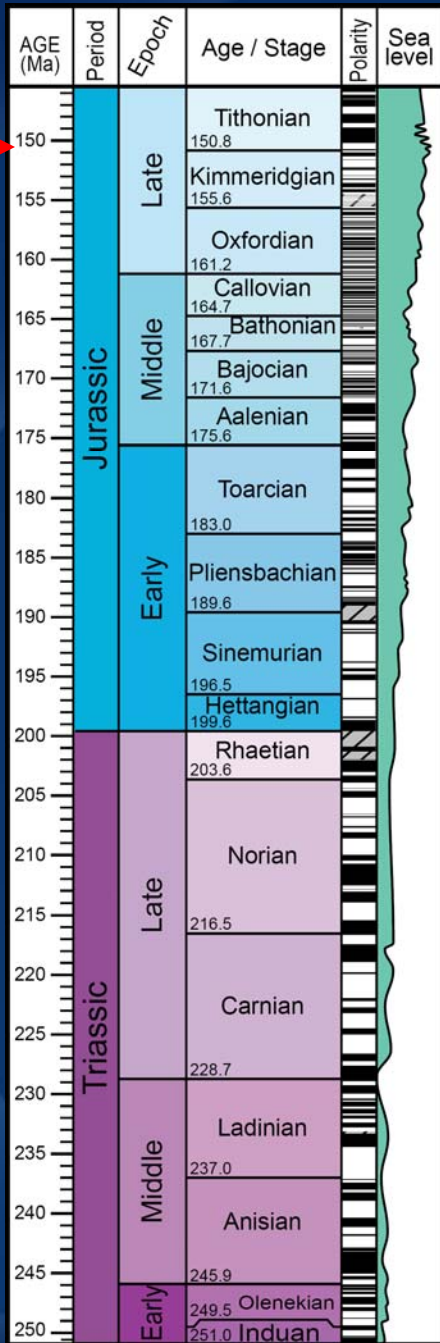
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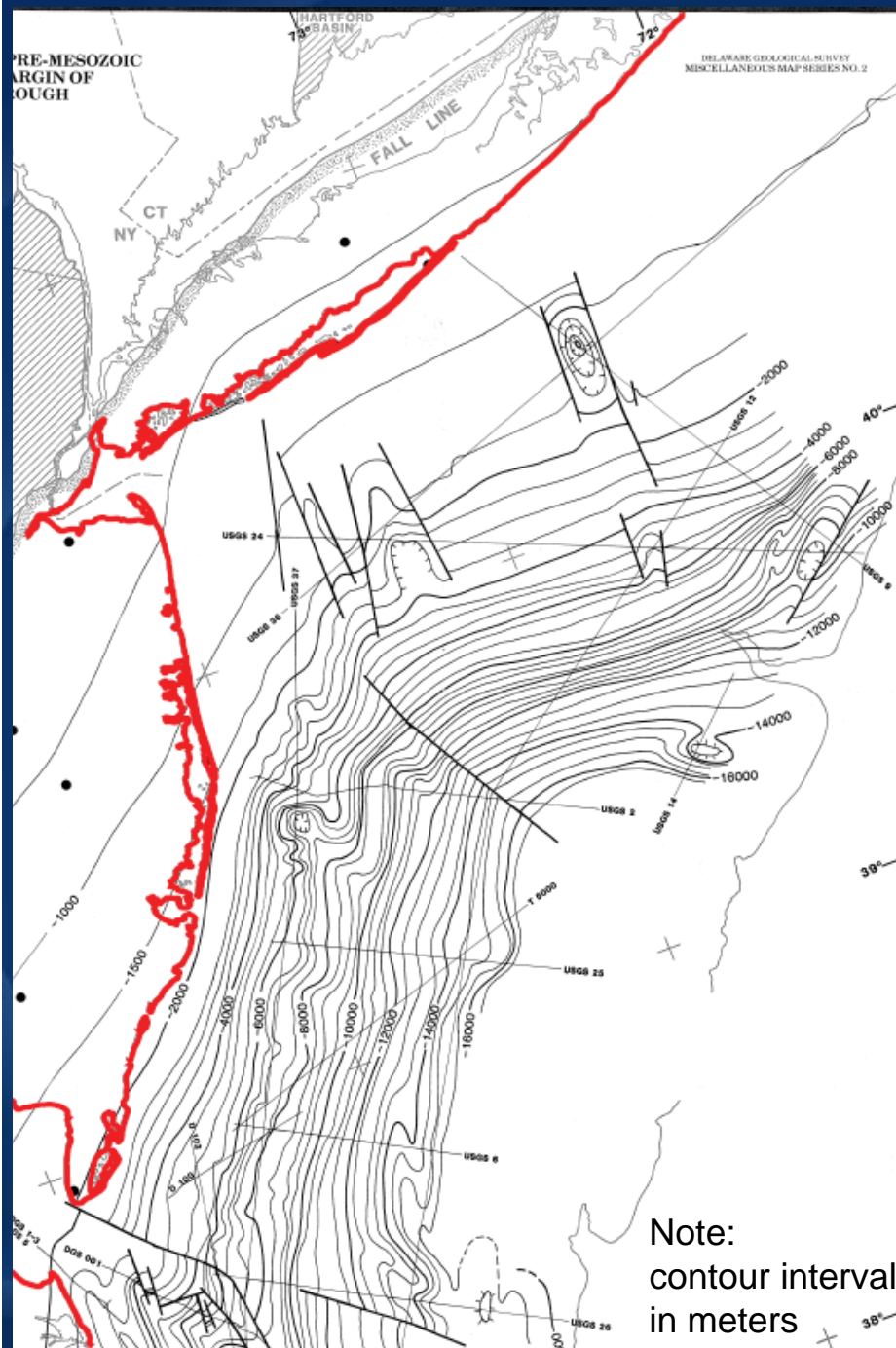
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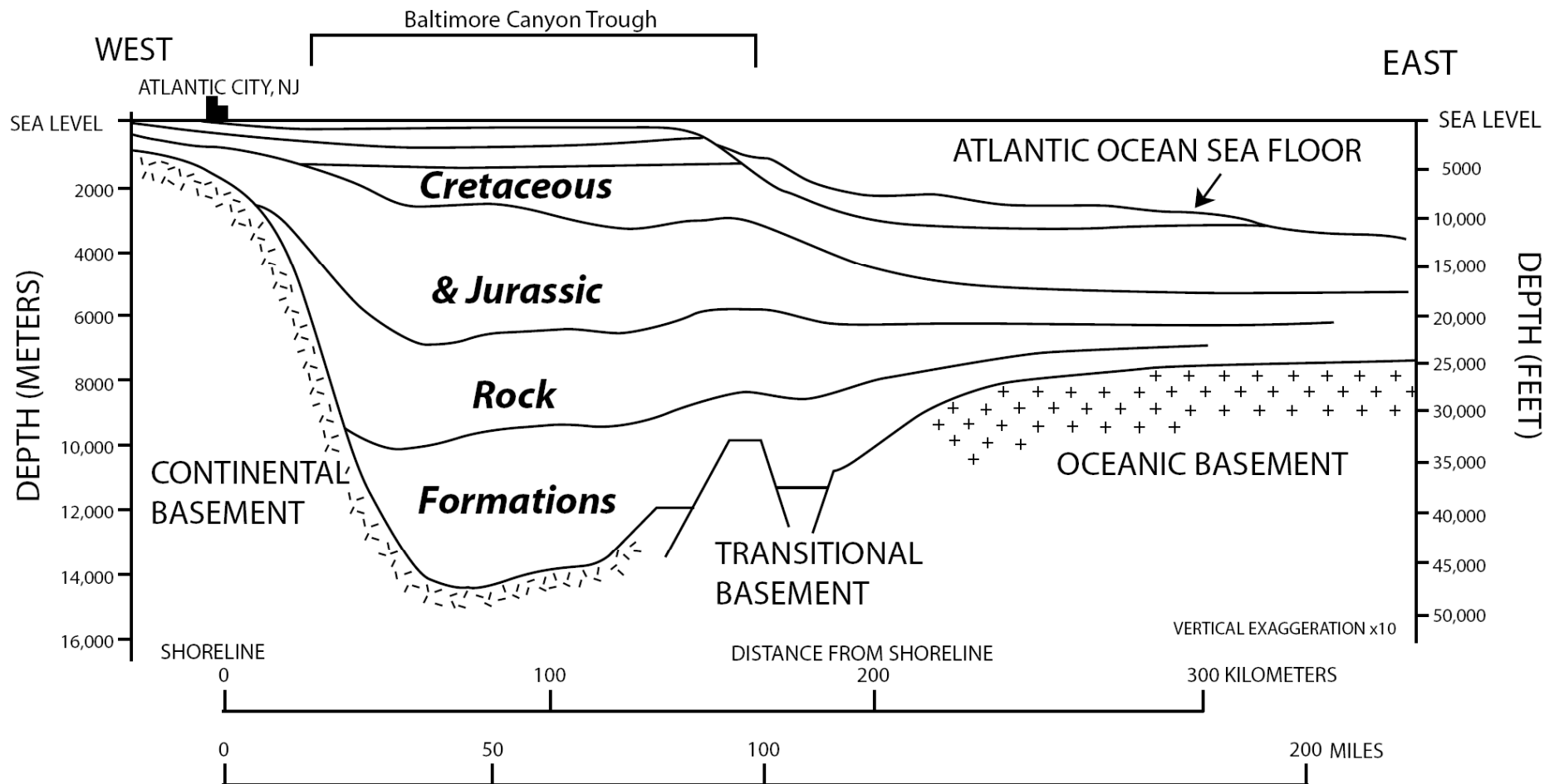
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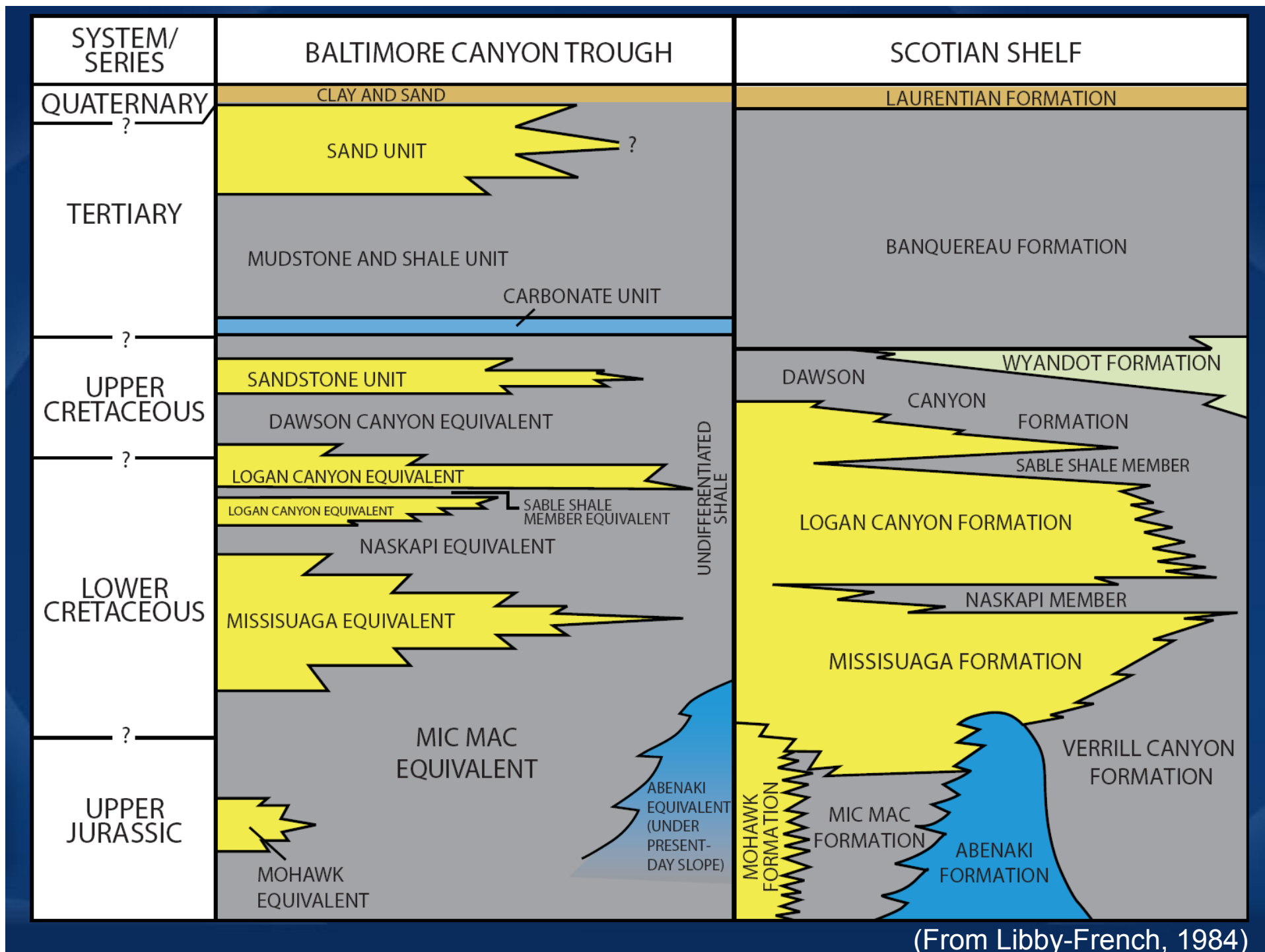
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Baltimore Canyon Trough Cross Section

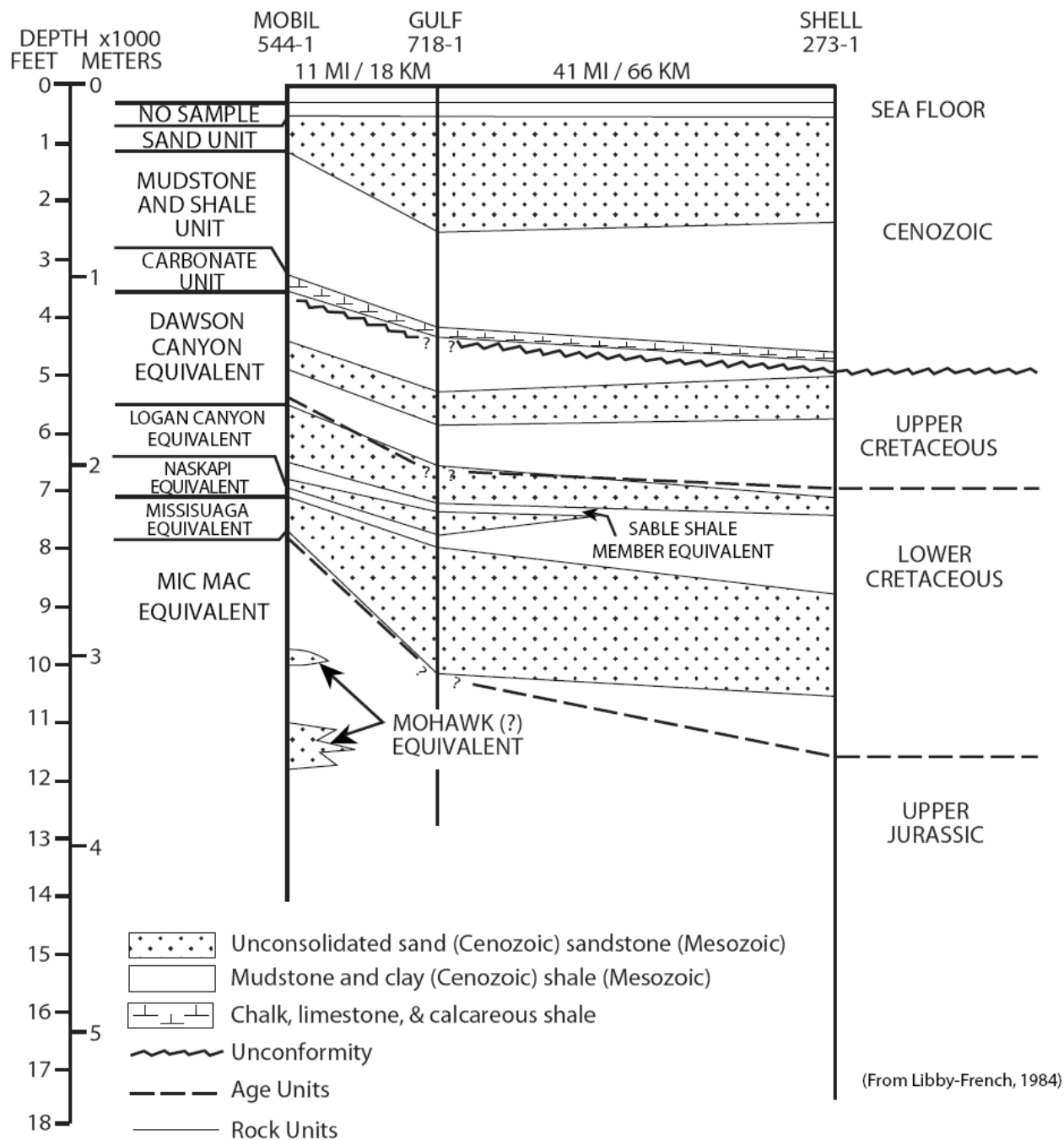
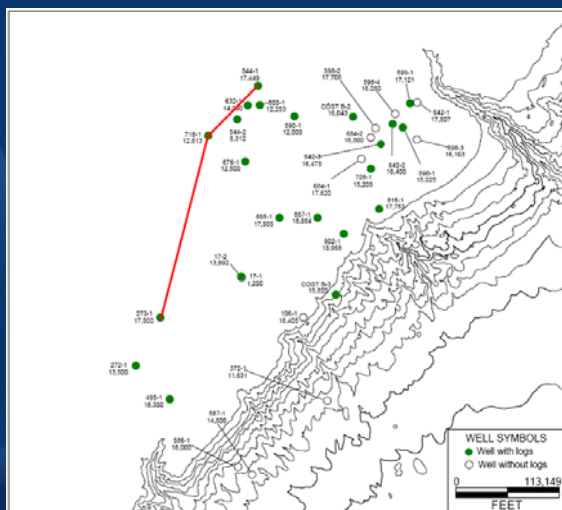


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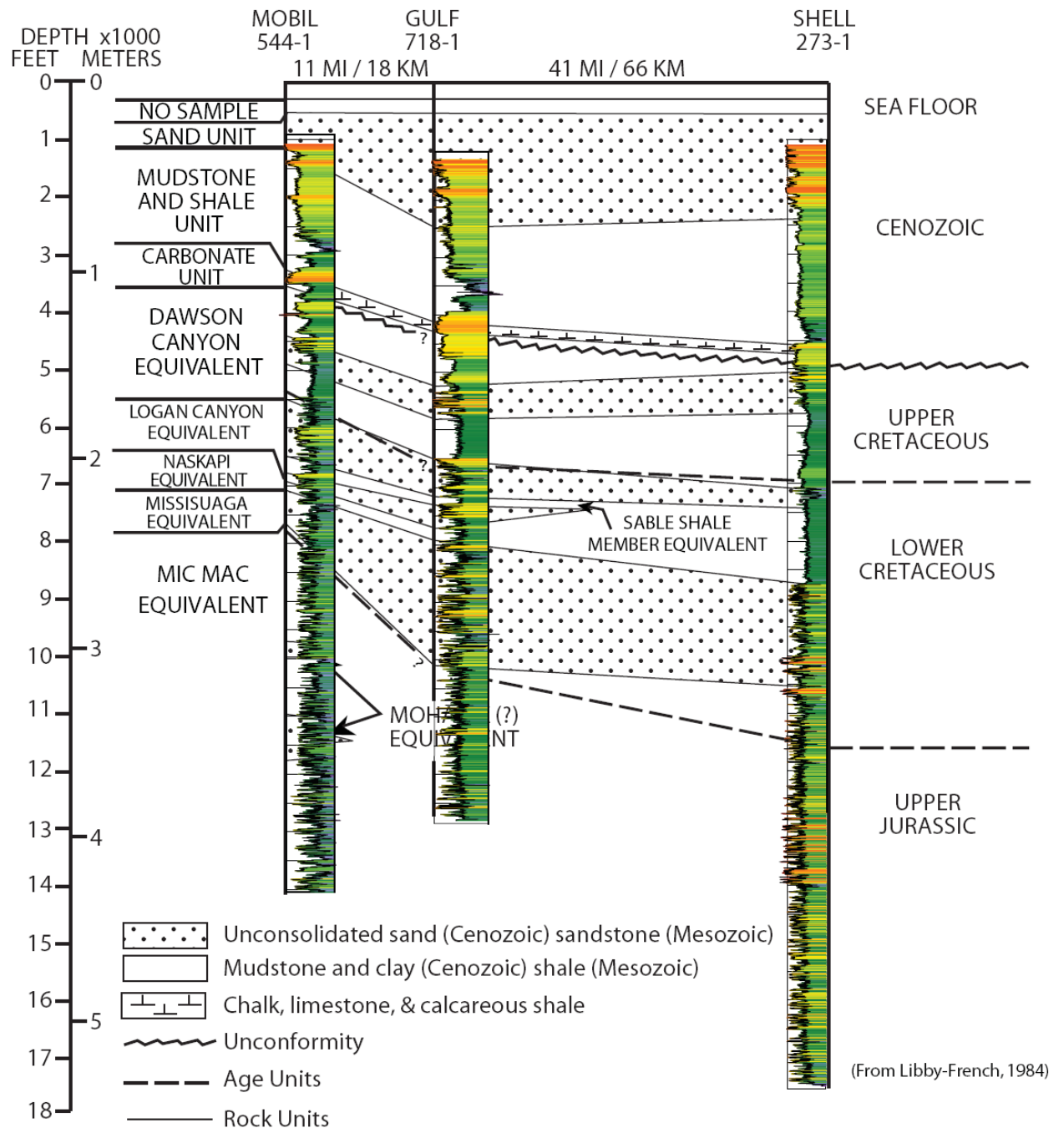
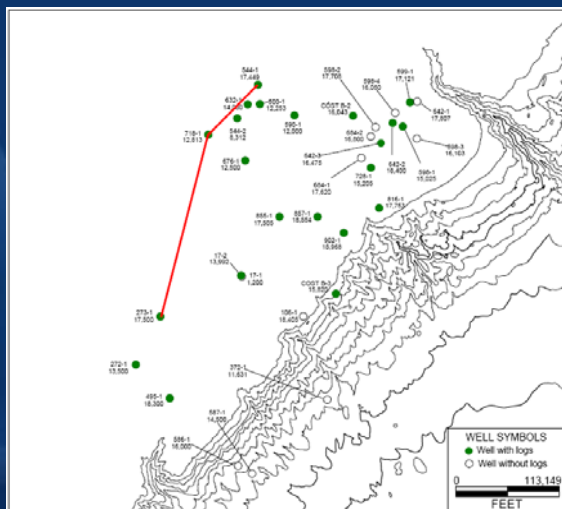


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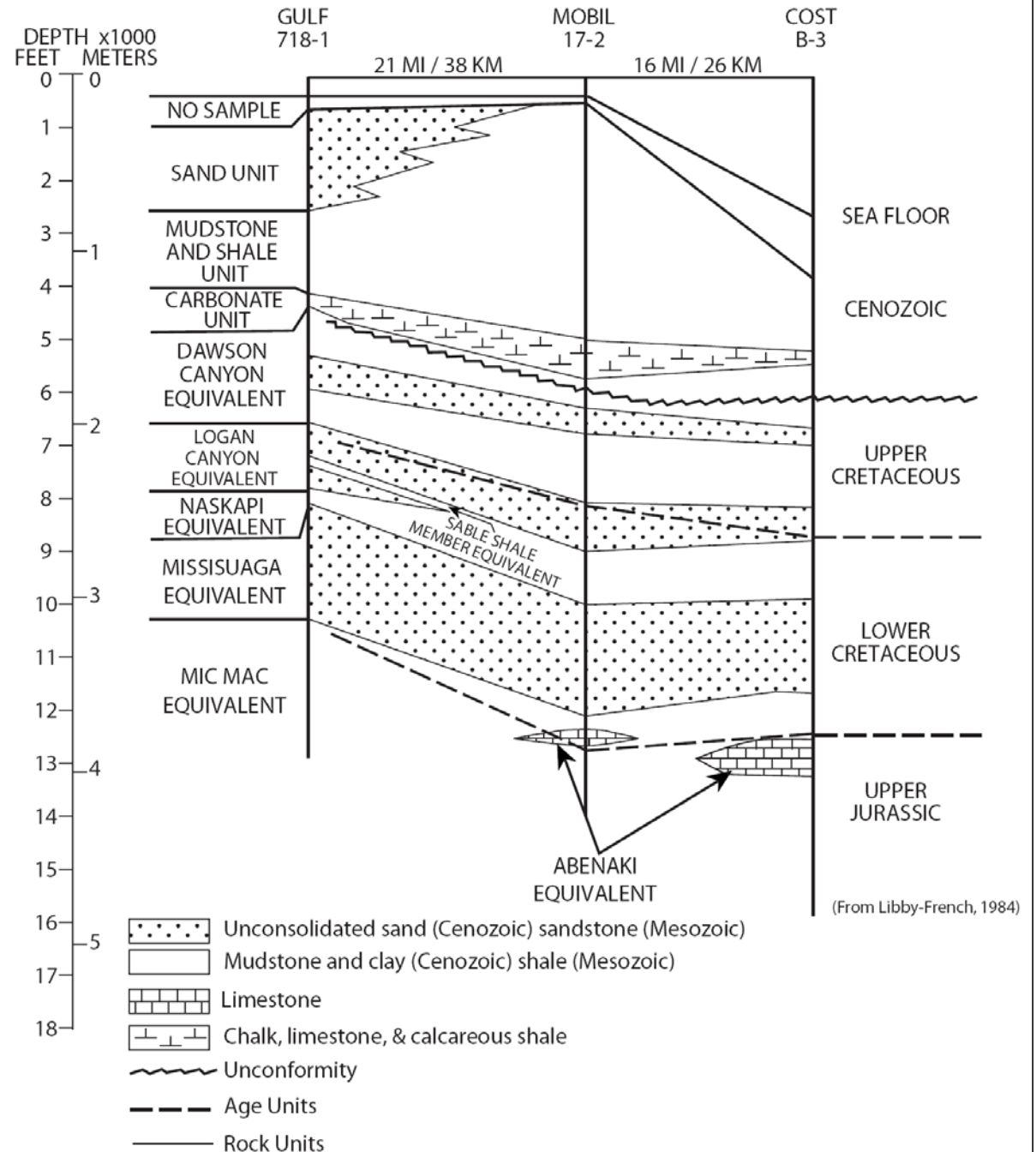
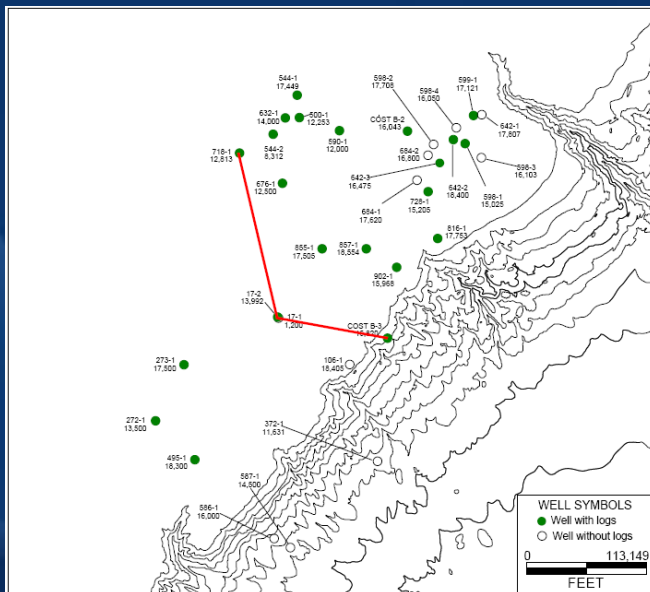
Well log cross sections from Libby-French, 1984 support her correlation between the Scotian Shelf and Baltimore Canyon Trough.



By overlying the gamma ray curves from these wells, it becomes quite clear how Libby-French picked her tops and correlated these units.

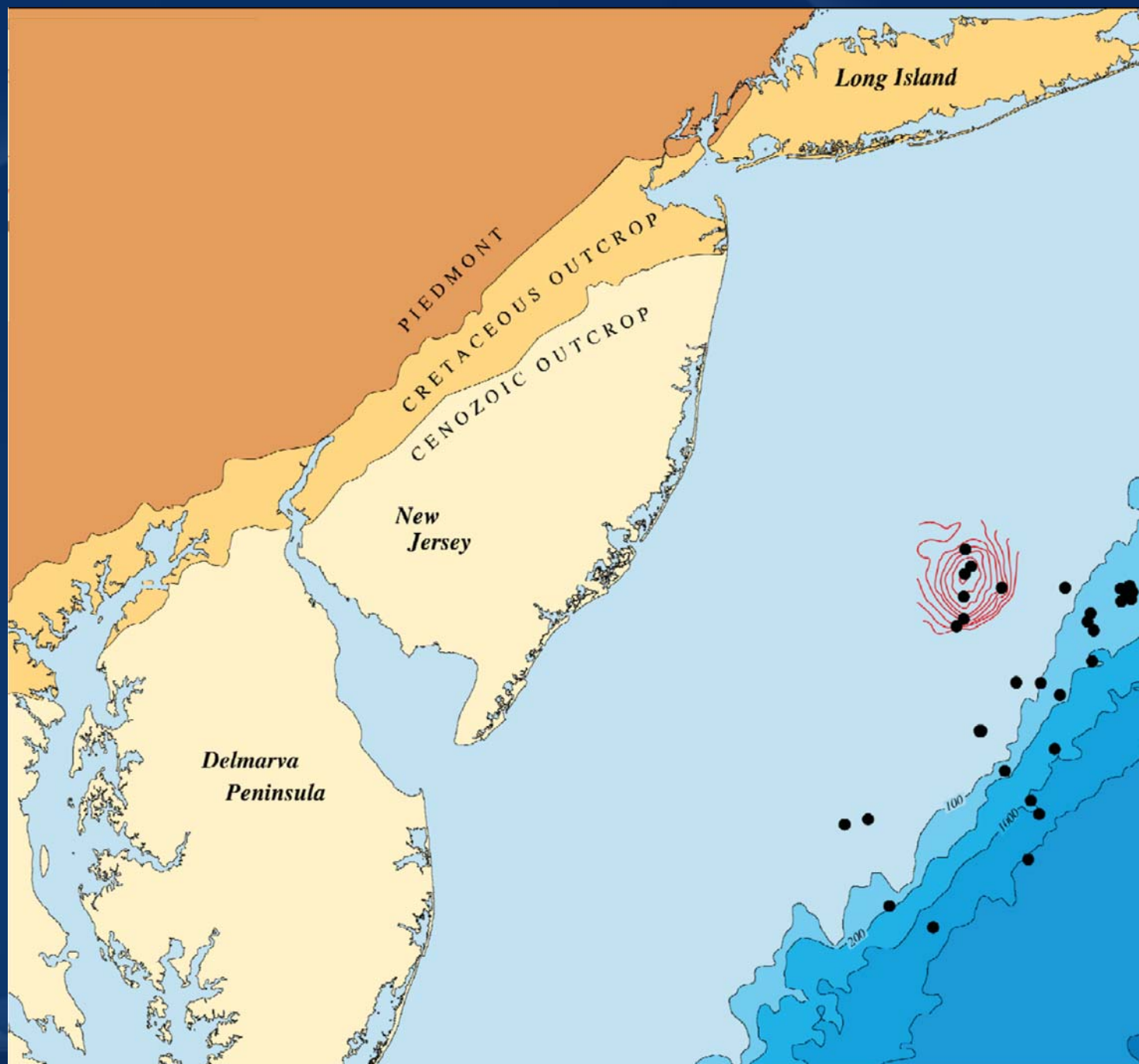


Here again, a cross sections published by Libby-French, 1984 shows the Scotian Shelf names applied to the BCT, and the formations appear to be continuous



STAGE	LITHOLOGIC UNITS
MAASTRICIAN	HORNERSTOWN
	TINTON
	RED-BANK
	SHREWSBURY
	SANDY HOOK
CAMPANIAN	NAVESINK
	MT. LAUREL - WENONAH
	MARSHALLTOWN
	ENGISHTOWN
	WOODBURY
SANTONIAN	MERCHANTVILLE
	MAGOTHY
CONIACIAN	
TURONIAN	
CENOMANIAN	
ALBIAN	

From Petters, 1976

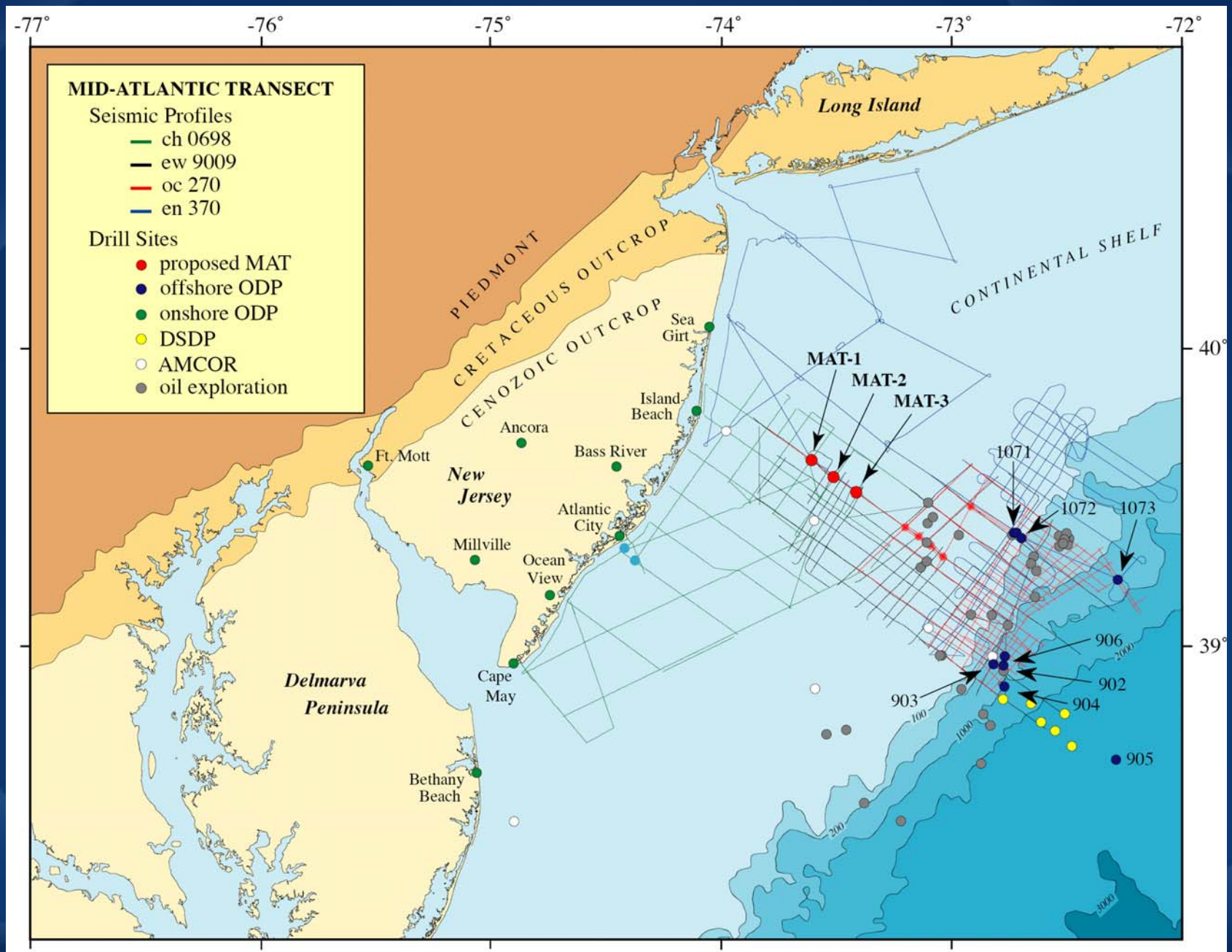


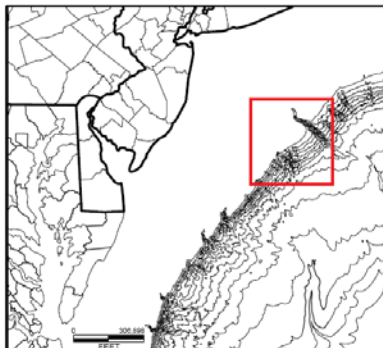
Scotian Shelf - NJ, MD, NY bedrock nomenclature correlation

Geochronology		Palynostratigraphy	Lithostratigraphy						
		Hochuli et al., (2006) Doyle & Robbins (1975)	Maryland	New Jersey		COST Wells (Libby-French, 1984)			Long Island
				Fort Mott	Medford	Formations	B-2	B-3	Sand units
Cretaceous	65 Ma						Age	Depth	
	Maastrichtian		Monmouth & Matawan Gps. (undifferentiated)			Red Bank/Navesink			Monmouth & Matawan Groups
	71.3								
	Campanian	?	?			Mt. Laurel/ Wenonah Marshalltown Englishtown/Woodbury Merchantville Cheesequake			
	83.5		Magothy Fm.						
	Santonian	Zone VII							
	85.8	?					84? 6695		
	Coniacian	?					85.9 76900	85.9 5920	Dawson Canyon Sands
	89	?				Magothy		89? 6800	Magothy
	Turonian	Zone V							
	93.5								
	Cenomanian	Zone IV	Raritan Fm.			Bass River/Raritan			Raritan
		Zone III							
	98.9	A/B Zone II	Patapsco Fm.	141	623	Potomac Fm. Unit III	96 8250	95.5 8200	Logan Canyon "unit 3a"
	Albian	upper		364	786	Potomac Fm. Unit II	99 9105		
Early	Aptian	lower Zone I	Potomac Gp.	600	983	Potomac Fm. Unit I		8550 8840 9550	Lower Logan Canyon
	112.2		Arundel and Patuxent Fms. (undifferentiated)						
	121.2								
	Barremian	?					120? 10000	121 10230	
	127								
	Hauterivian					?Waste Gate Fm. ?	127 10550	127 11340	Missaugua
	132	Pre-Zone I	Waste Gate Fm.						
Jurassic	137						132 10640		
	144.2		Unnamed Jurassic (?) Rocks						
192									

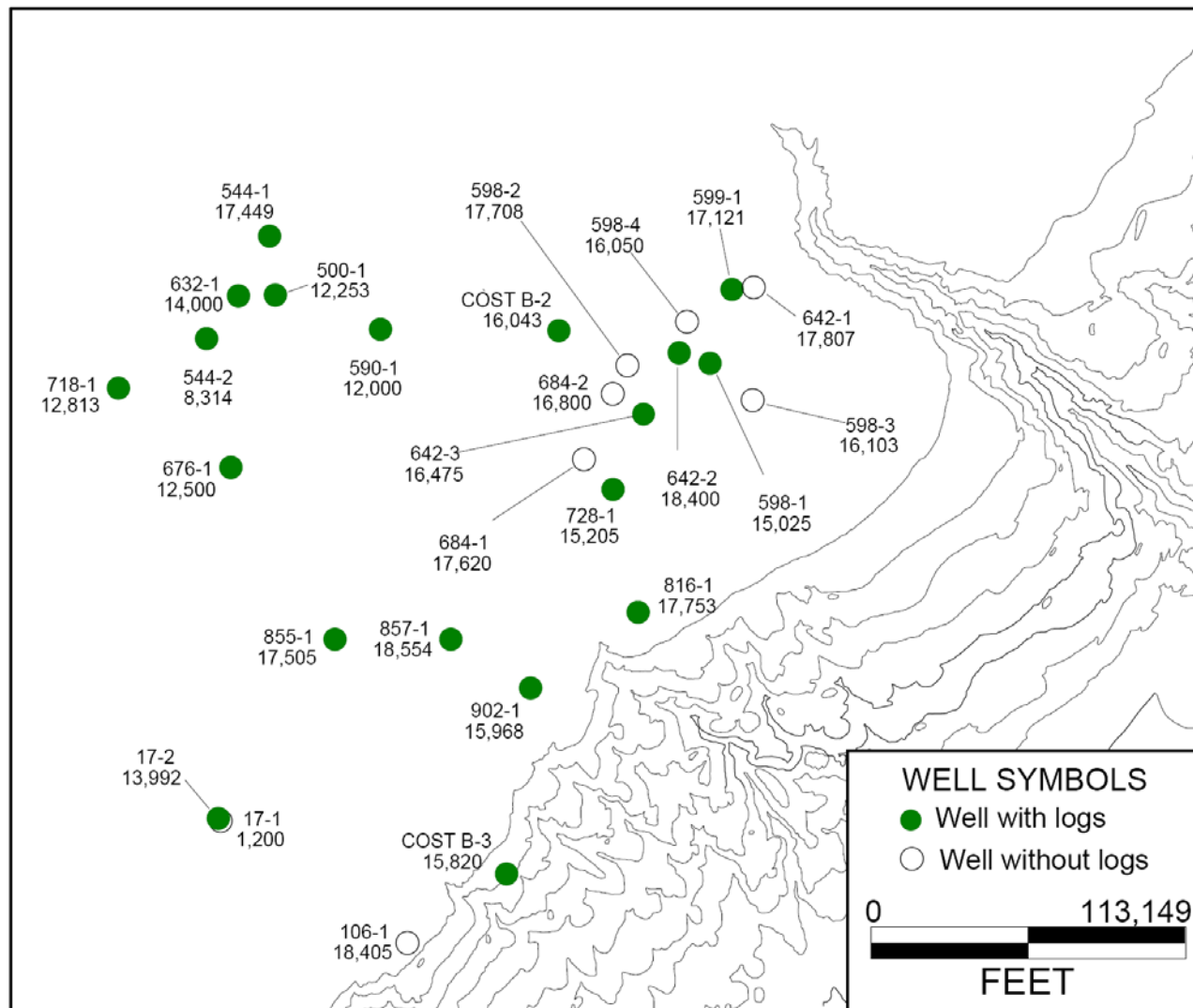
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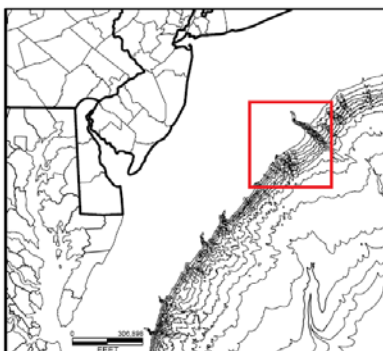
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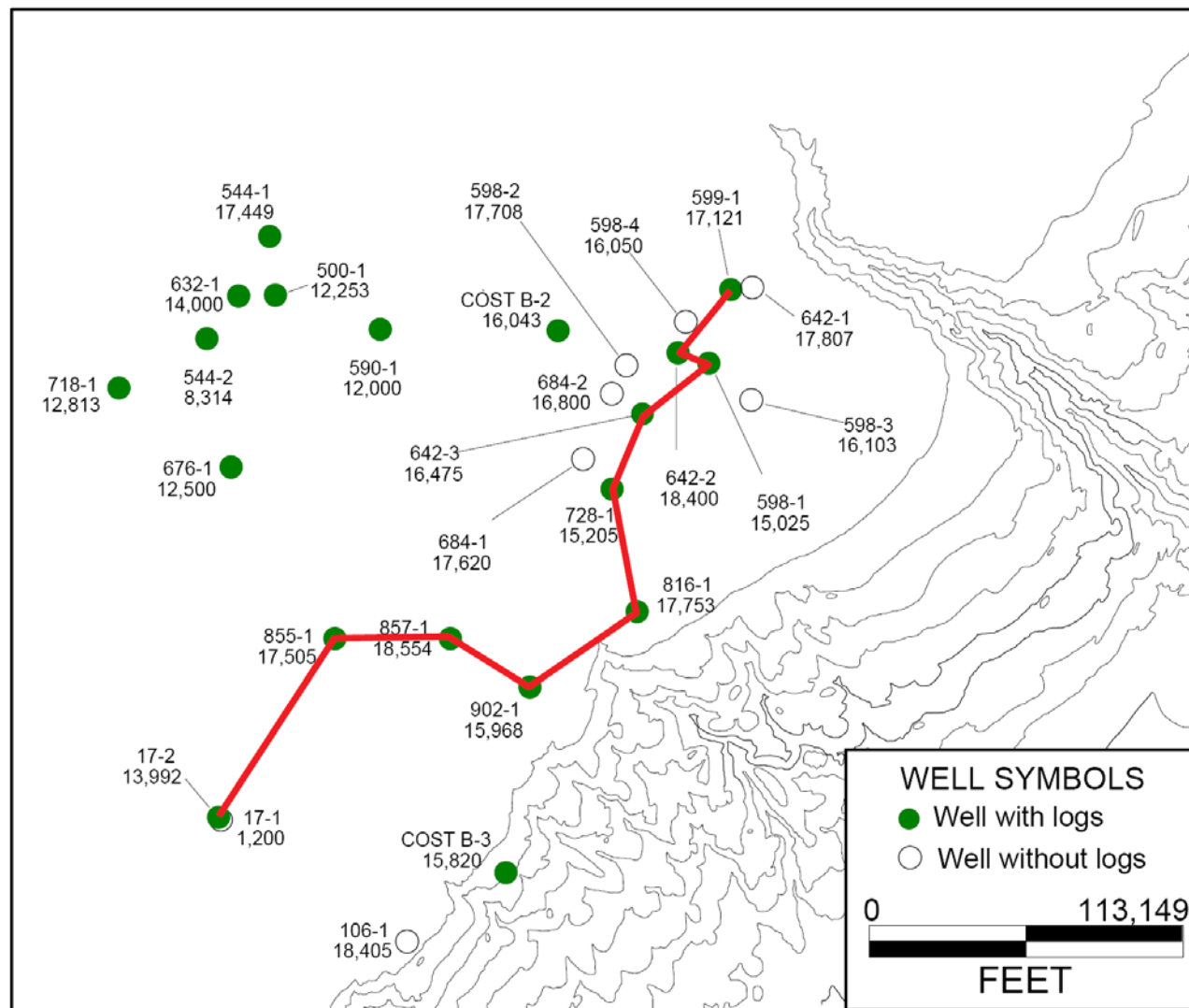


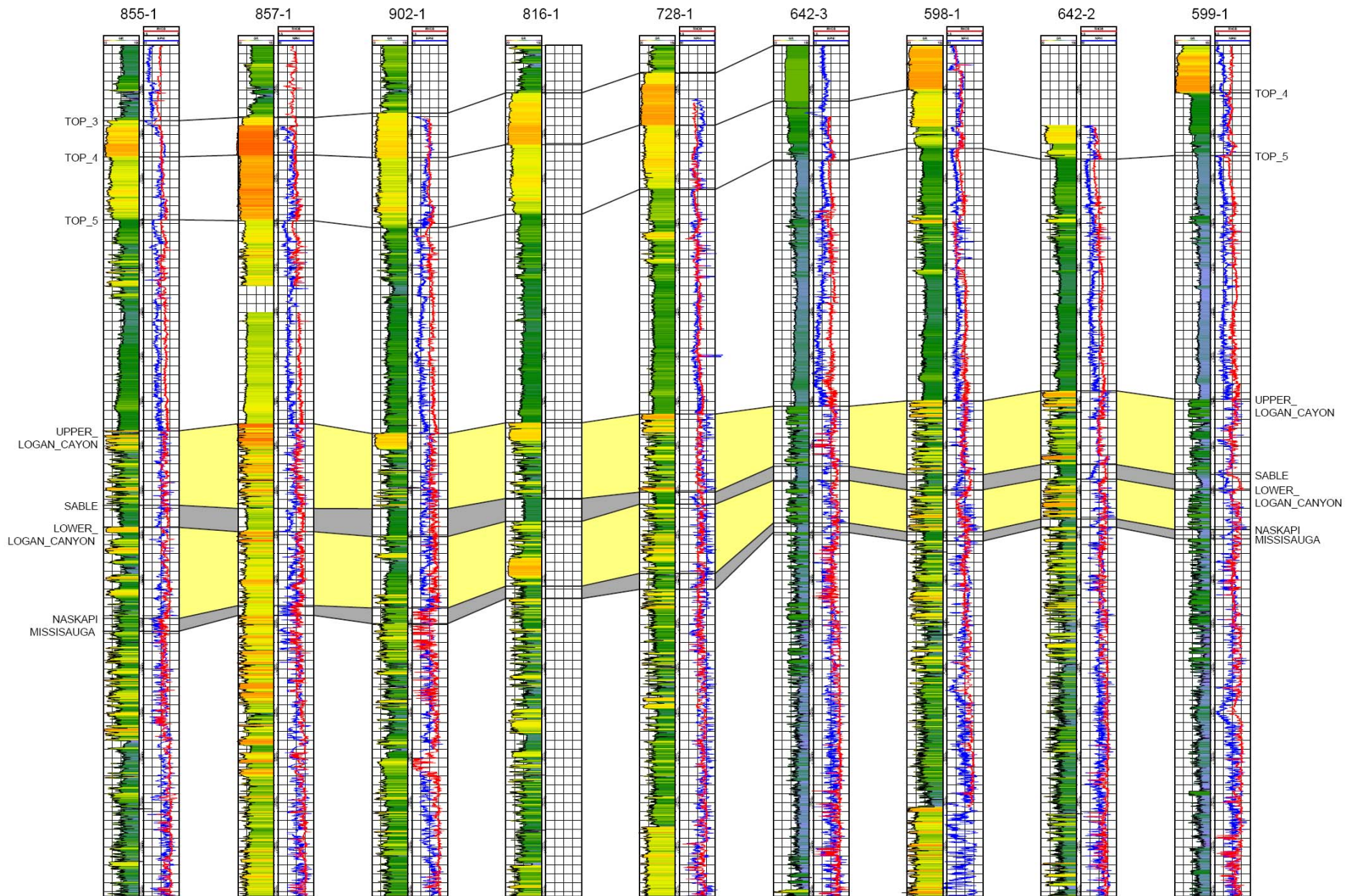
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Exxon	684-2
Texaco	598-4
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Houston	676-1
Exxon	684-1
Mobil	17-1
Houston	855-1
Exxon	599-1
Gulf	718-1
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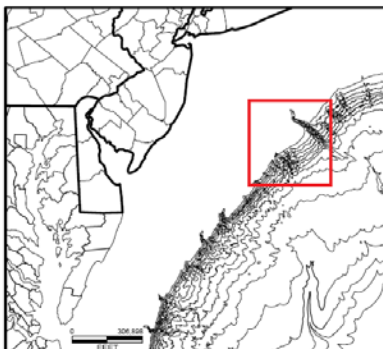




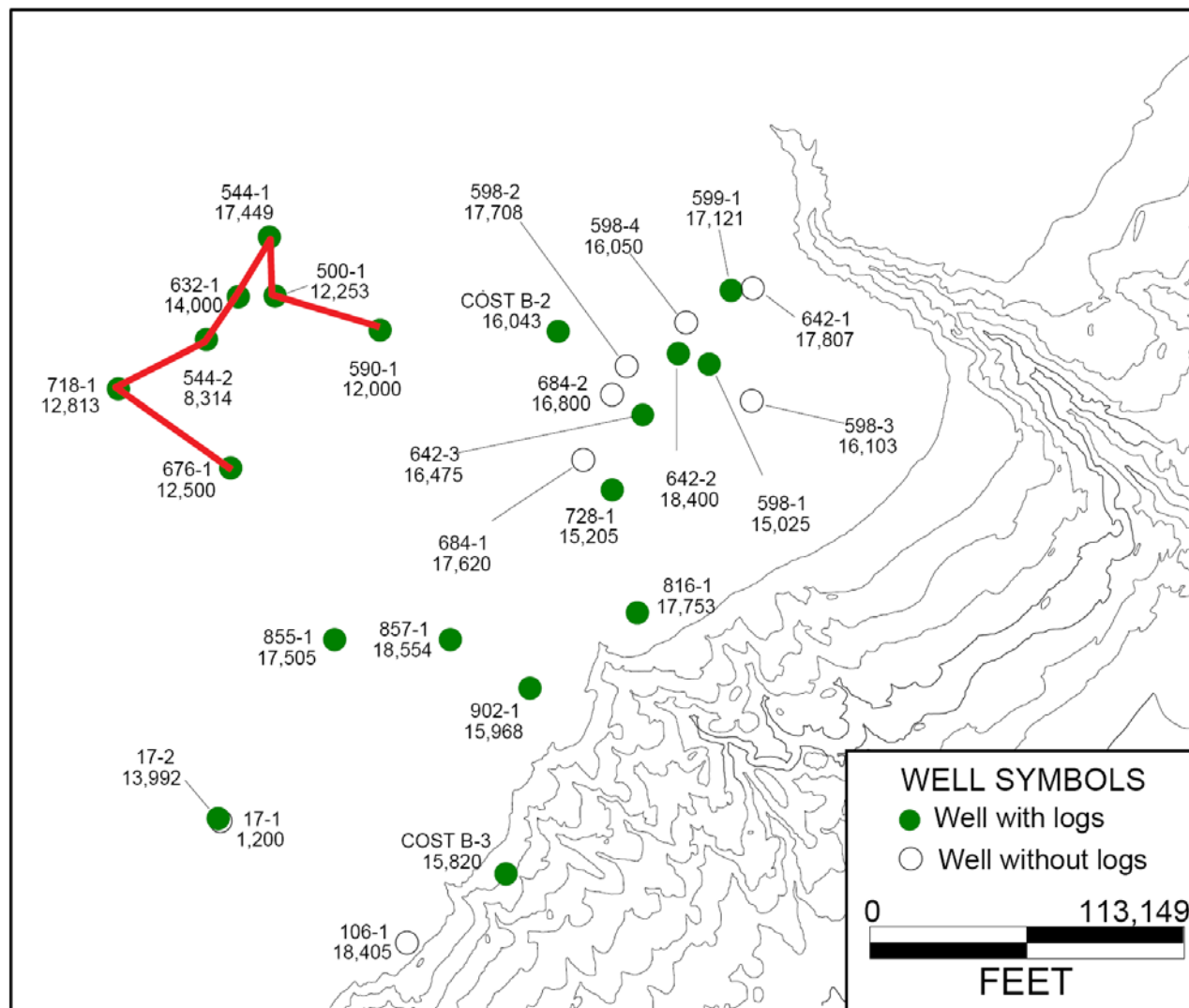
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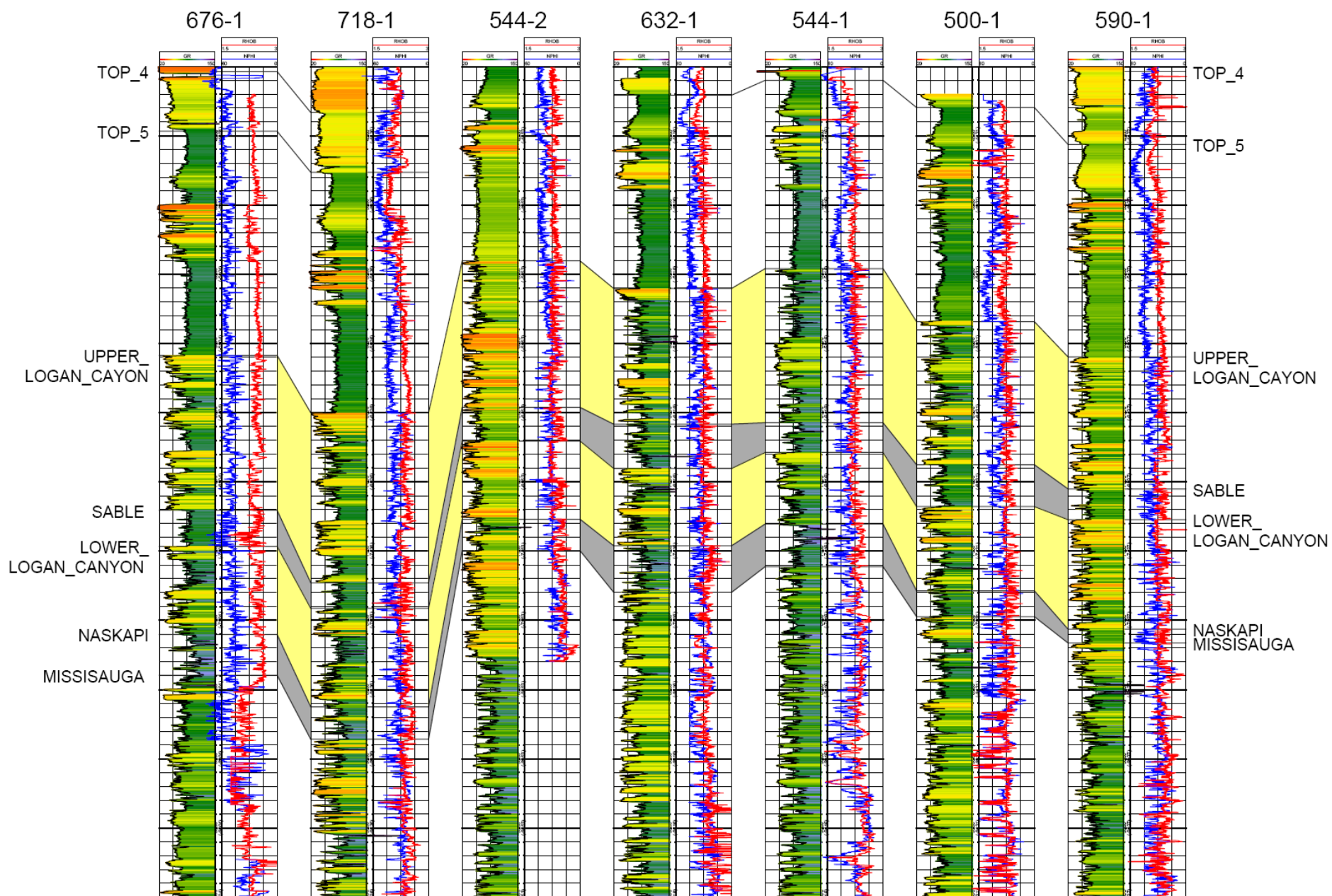


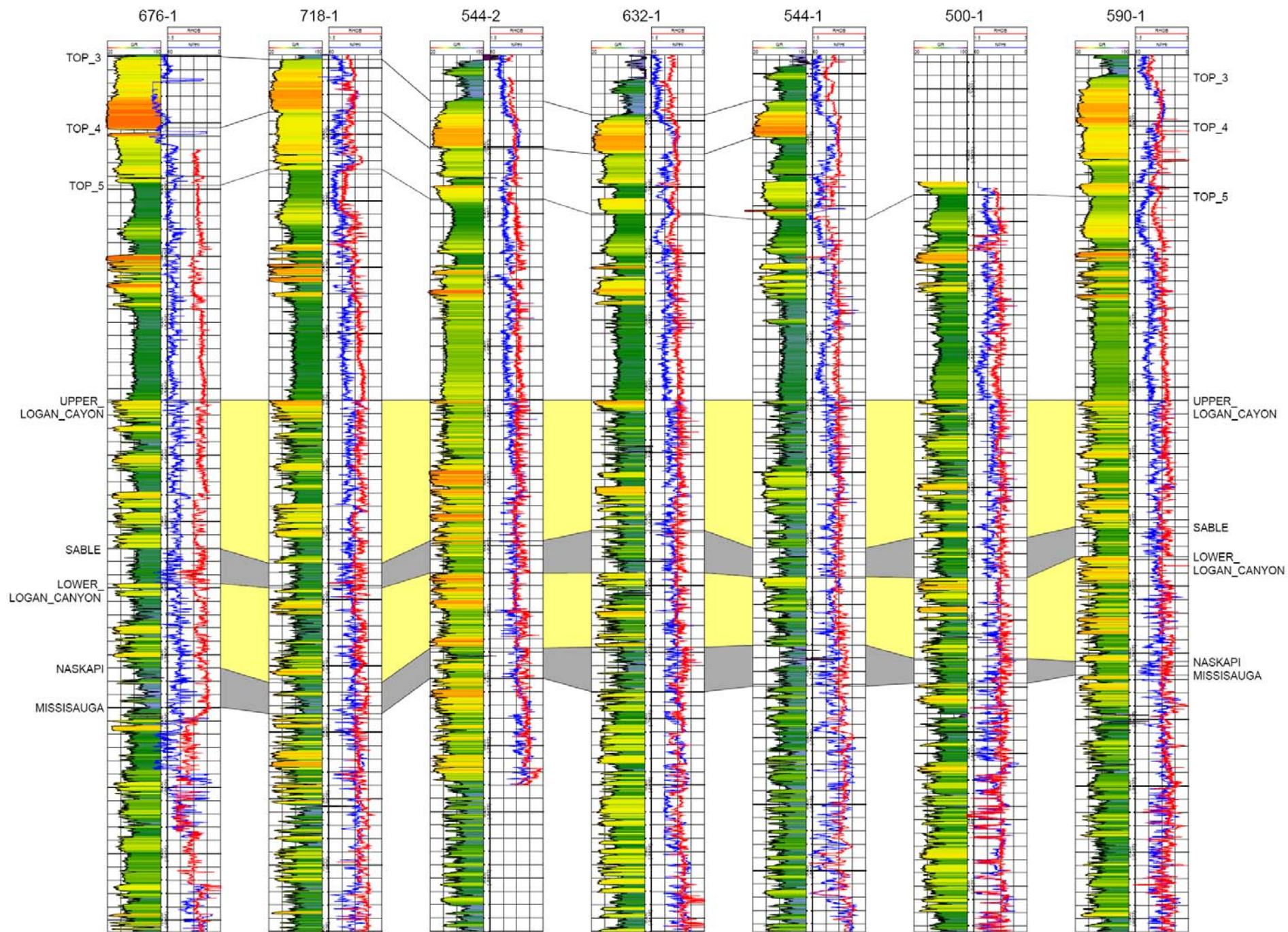


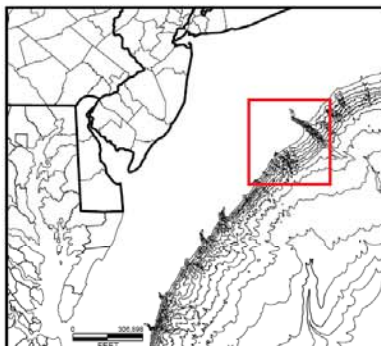


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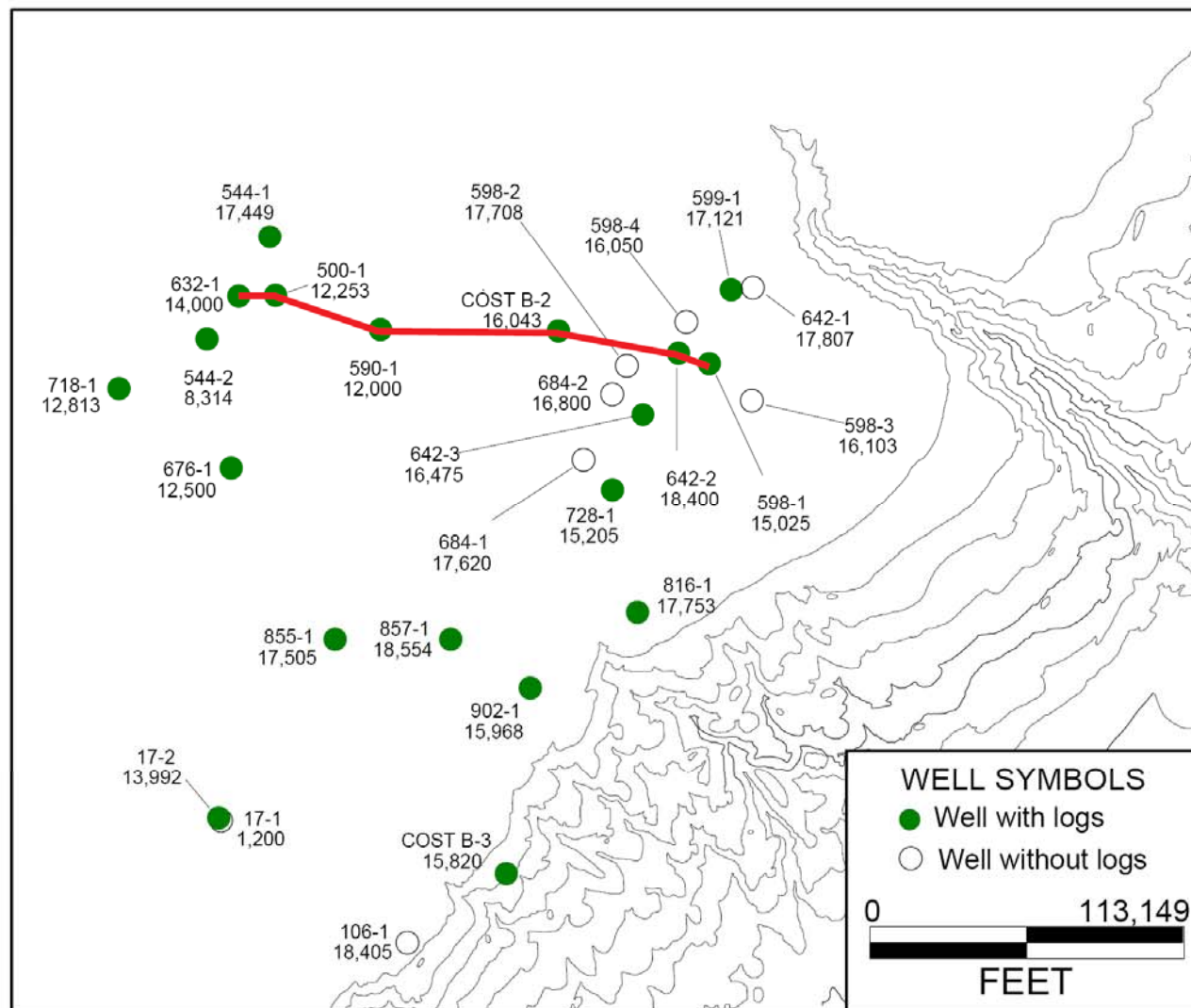


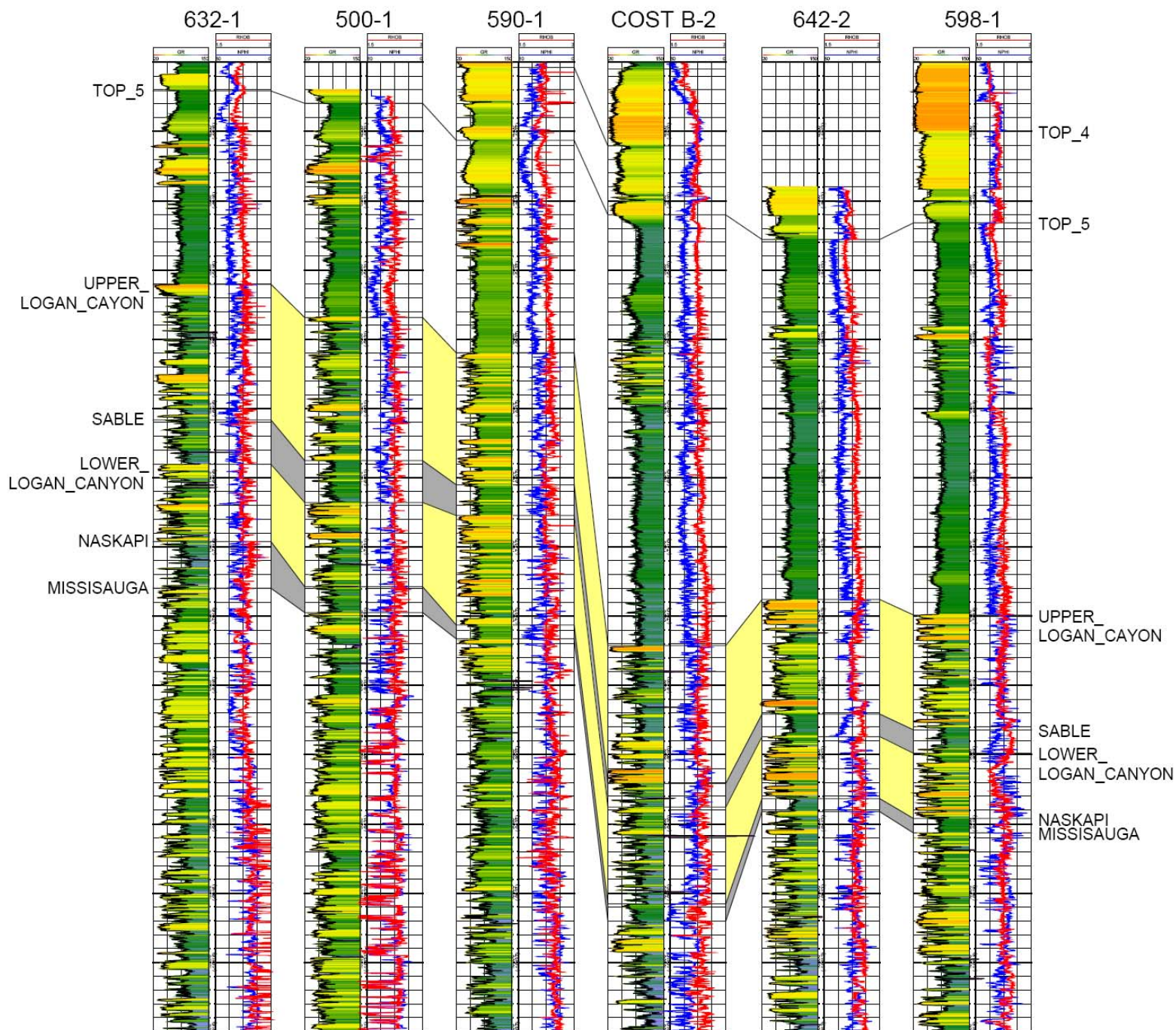




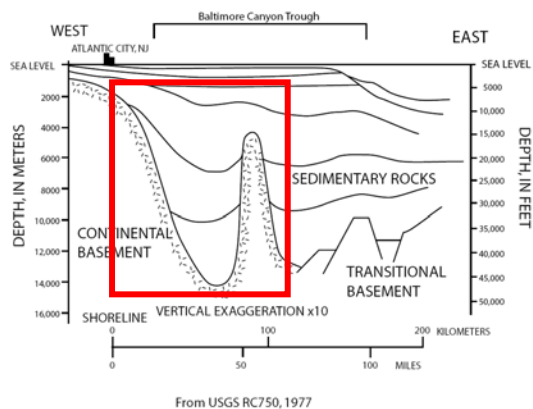


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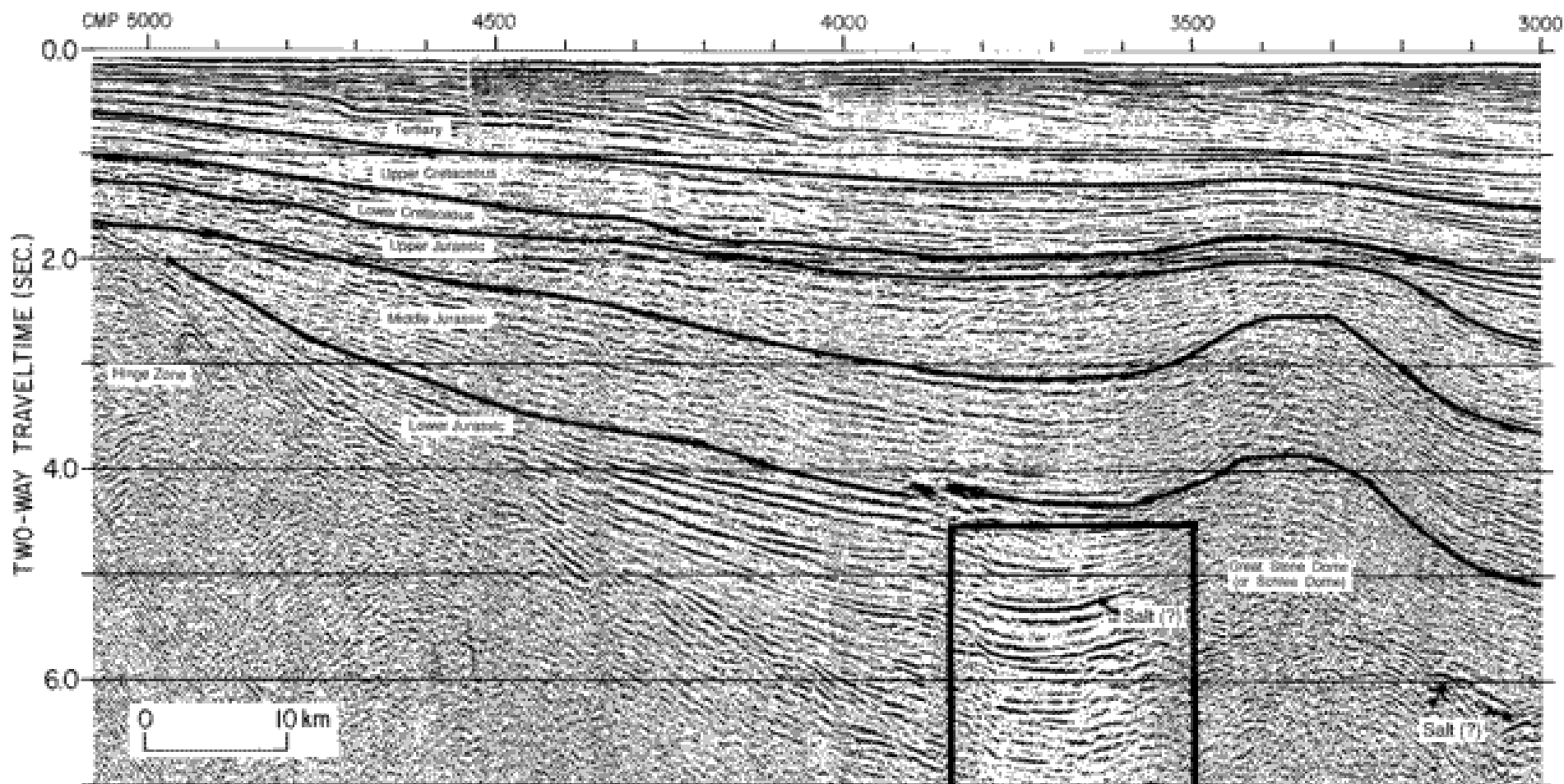




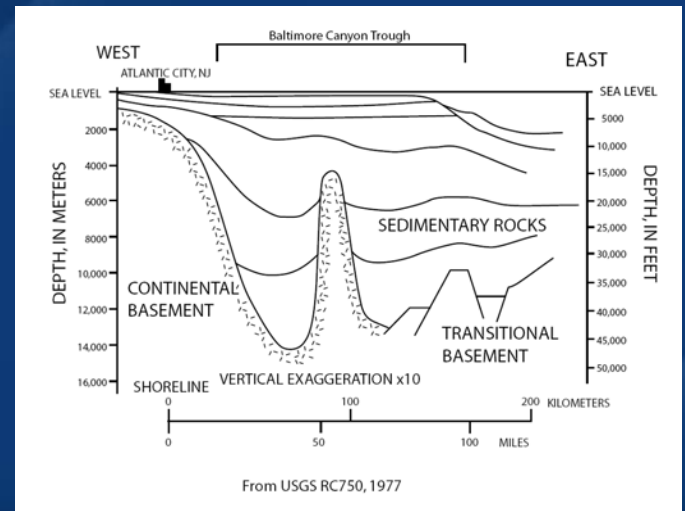
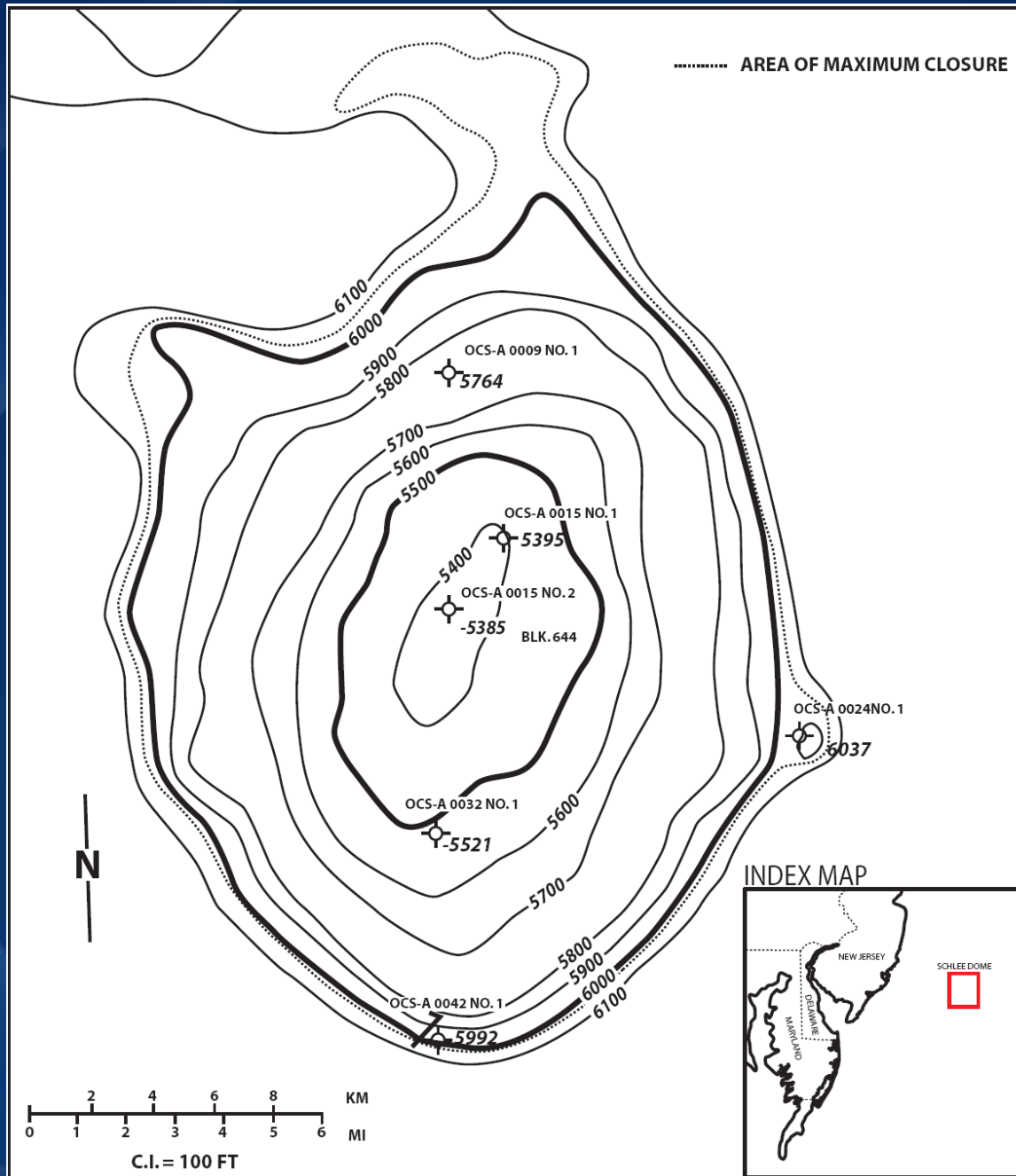
Great Stone Dome (a.k.a Schlee Dome)



| Schlee Dome |

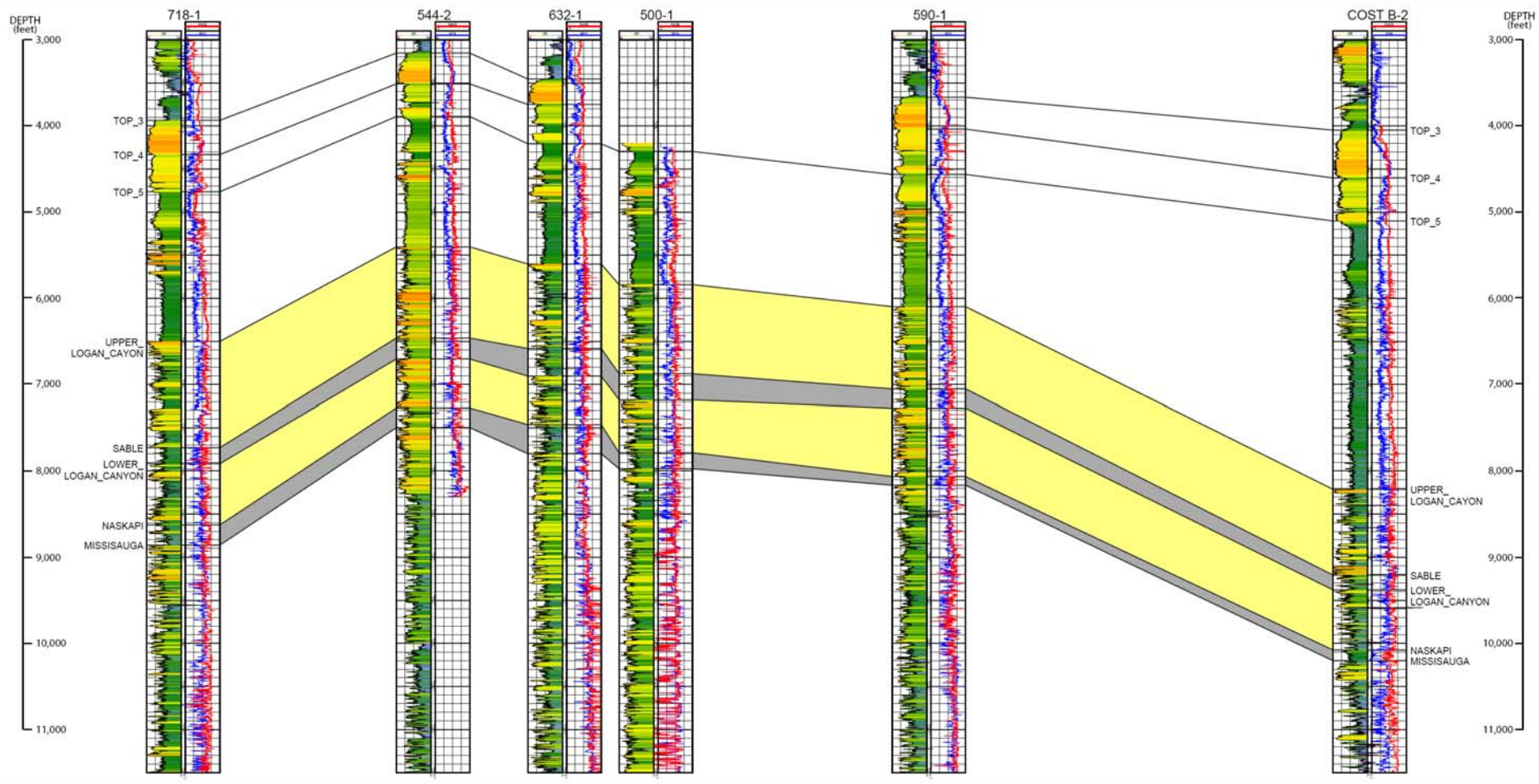
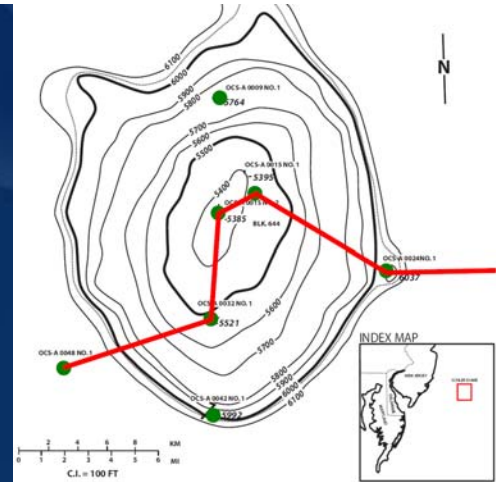


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– Prather, 1991



From Prather, 1991

“The most significant structural closure in this area is the large domal anticline known as Schlee Dome.” – Prather, 1991



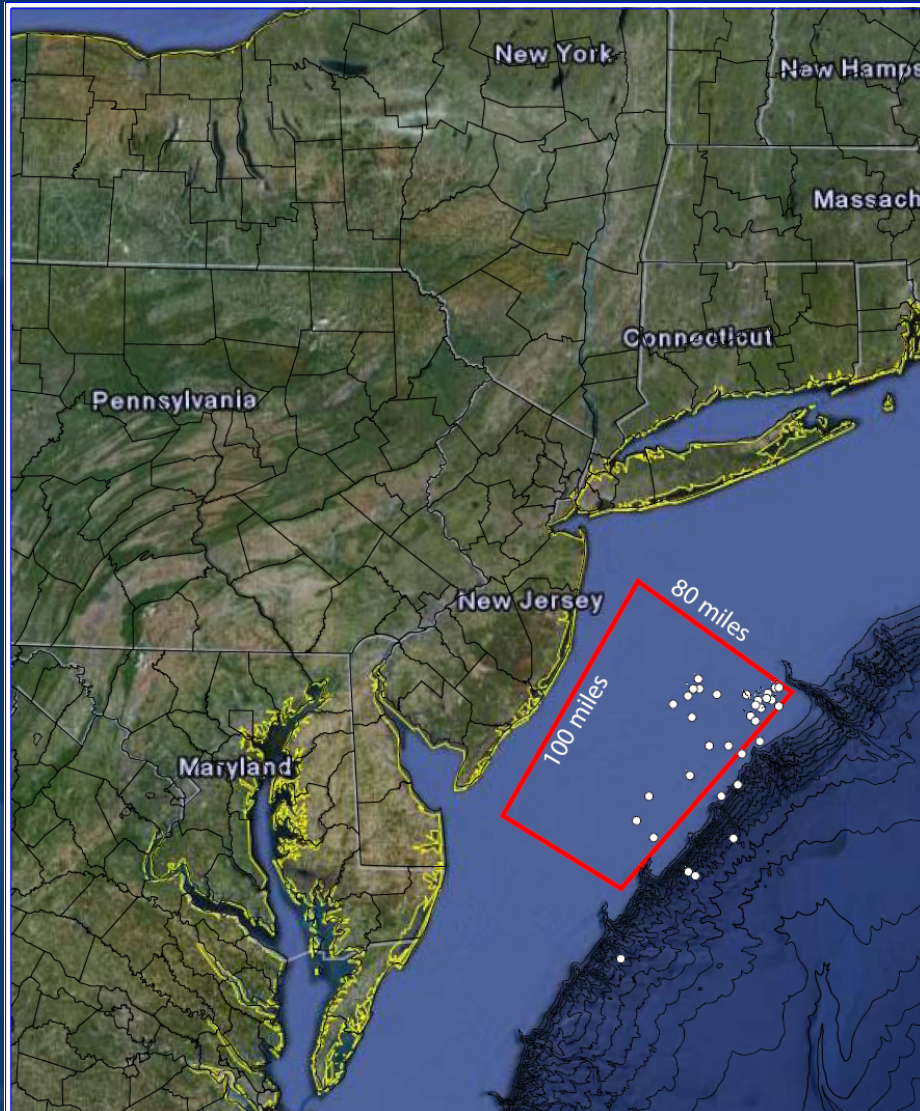
Logan Canyon Sands

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	SABLE	9108.0	COST B-3	Chevron	15820		
	LOWER LOGAN CANYON	9273.6	COST B-3	Chevron	15820		582.6
	NASKAPI	9856.2	COST B-3	Chevron	15820		
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	SABLE	8932.3	17-2	Mobil	13992		
	LOWER LOGAN CANYON	9289.0	17-2	Mobil	13992		670.0
	NASKAPI	9959.0	17-2	Mobil	13992		
61-105-00003	UPPER LOGAN CAYON	5460.0	544-1	Mobil	17449	1112.8	
	SABLE	6572.8	544-1	Mobil	17449		
	LOWER LOGAN CANYON	6787.7	544-1	Mobil	17449		516.6
	NASKAPI	7304.3	544-1	Mobil	17449		
61-105-00004	UPPER LOGAN CAYON	7991.8	598-1	Texaco	15025	829.0	
	SABLE	8820.8	598-1	Texaco	15025		
	LOWER LOGAN CANYON	8989.8	598-1	Texaco	15025		470.8
	NASKAPI	9460.6	598-1	Texaco	15025		
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	SABLE	7728.6	718-1	Gulf	12813		
	LOWER LOGAN CANYON	7913.7	718-1	Gulf	12813		712.2
	NASKAPI	8625.9	718-1	Gulf	12813		
61-105-00006	UPPER LOGAN CAYON	6086.6	676-1	Houston O&M	12500	1118.7	
	SABLE	7205.2	676-1	Houston O&M	12500		
	LOWER LOGAN CANYON	7466.1	676-1	Houston O&M	12500		636.4
	NASKAPI	8102.5	676-1	Houston O&M	12500		
61-105-00007	UPPER LOGAN CAYON	6098.2	590-1	Conoco	12000	952.8	
	SABLE	7050.9	590-1	Conoco	12000		
	LOWER LOGAN CANYON	7273.4	590-1	Conoco	12000		790.6
	NASKAPI	8064.0	590-1	Conoco	12000		
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	LOWER LOGAN CANYON	9459.5	857-1	Gulf	18554		829.3
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	SABLE	6584.0	632-1	Shell	14000		
	LOWER LOGAN CANYON	6903.7	632-1	Shell	14000		558.5
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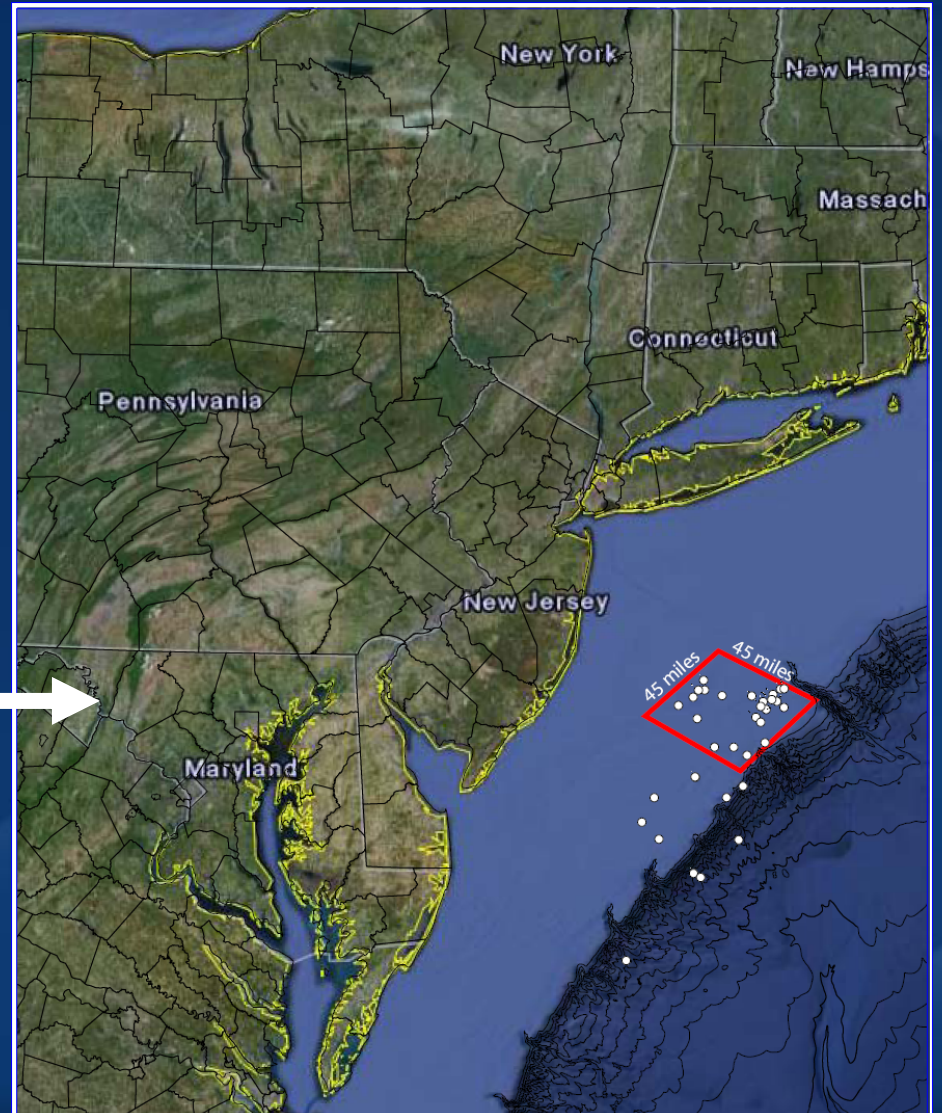
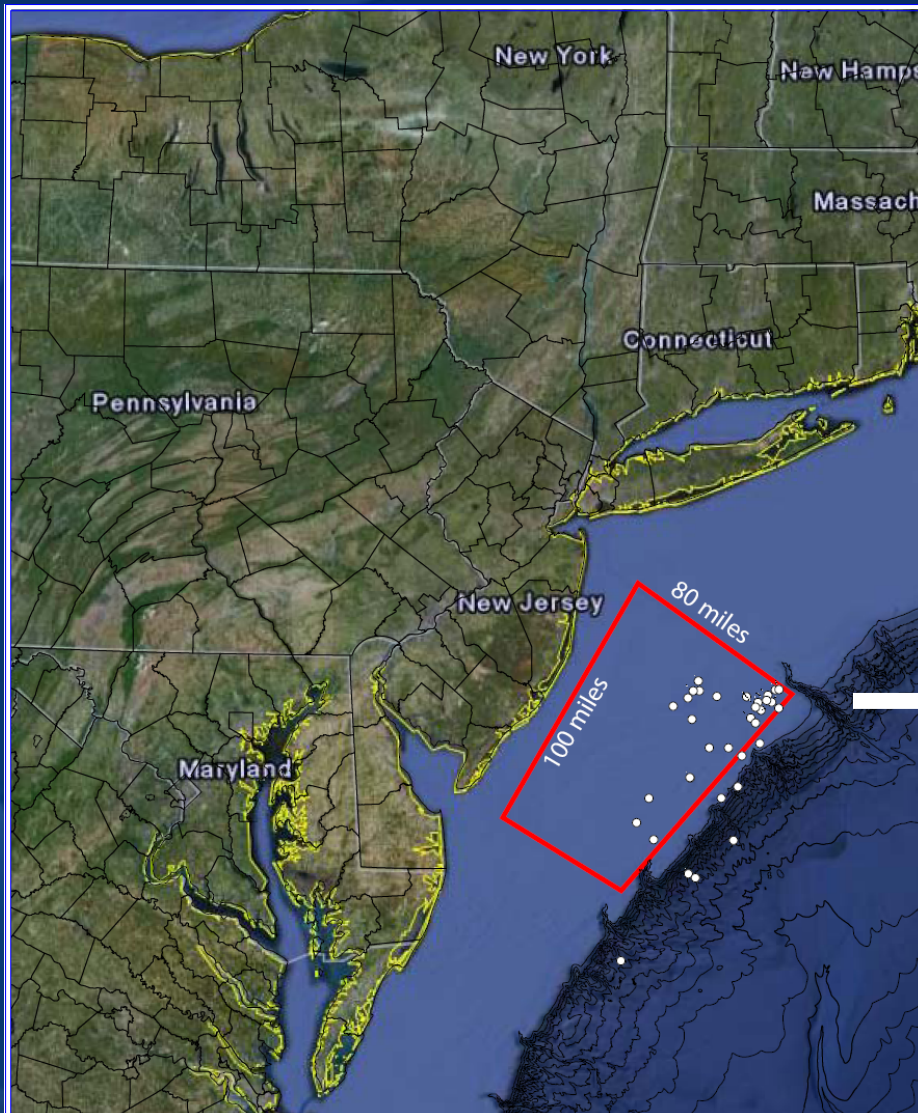
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	LOWER LOGAN CANYON	9513.5	902-1	Exxon	15968		802.5
	NASKAPI	10316.0	902-1	Exxon	15968		
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	LOWER LOGAN CANYON	8869.9	642-2	Tenneco	18400		448.1
	NASKAPI	9318.0	642-2	Tenneco	18400		
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	SABLE	6876.6	500-1	Exxon	12253		
	LOWER LOGAN CANYON	7178.4	500-1	Exxon	12253		609.2
	NASKAPI	7787.6	500-1	Exxon	12253		
61-105-00018	UPPER LOGAN CAYON	8053.0	642-3	Tenneco	16475	673.7	
	SABLE	8726.7	642-3	Tenneco	16475		
	LOWER LOGAN CANYON	8885.4	642-3	Tenneco	16475		477.1
	NASKAPI	9362.5	642-3	Tenneco	16475		
61-105-00019	UPPER LOGAN CAYON	7971.7	599-1	Exxon	17121	845.1	
	SABLE	8816.8	599-1	Exxon	17121		
	LOWER LOGAN CANYON	8983.2	599-1	Exxon	17121		452.2
	NASKAPI	9435.4	599-1	Exxon	17121		
61-105-00020	UPPER LOGAN CAYON	8237.7	816-1	Exxon	17753	849.1	
	SABLE	9086.8	816-1	Exxon	17753		
	LOWER LOGAN CANYON	9344.3	816-1	Exxon	17753		727.1
	NASKAPI	10071.4	816-1	Exxon	17753		
61-105-00022	UPPER LOGAN CAYON	8140.1	728-1	Exxon	15205	875.6	
	SABLE	9015.7	728-1	Exxon	15205		
	LOWER LOGAN CANYON	9151.6	728-1	Exxon	15205		776.0
	NASKAPI	9927.5	728-1	Exxon	15205		
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	SABLE	6462.2	544-2	Mobil	8312		
	LOWER LOGAN CANYON	6705.0	544-2	Mobil	8312		565.3
	NASKAPI	7270.3	544-2	Mobil	8312		
61-105-00001	UPPER LOGAN CAYON	8211.8	COST B-2	Ocean	16043	995.7	
	SABLE	9207.6	COST B-2	Ocean	16043		
	LOWER LOGAN CANYON	9379.2	COST B-2	Ocean	16043		698.4
	NASKAPI	10077.6	COST B-2	Ocean	16043		

Average Upper Logan Canyon Thickness = 932.4 feet
 Average Lower Logan Canyon Thickness = 649.7 feet
 TOTAL = 1582.0 feet

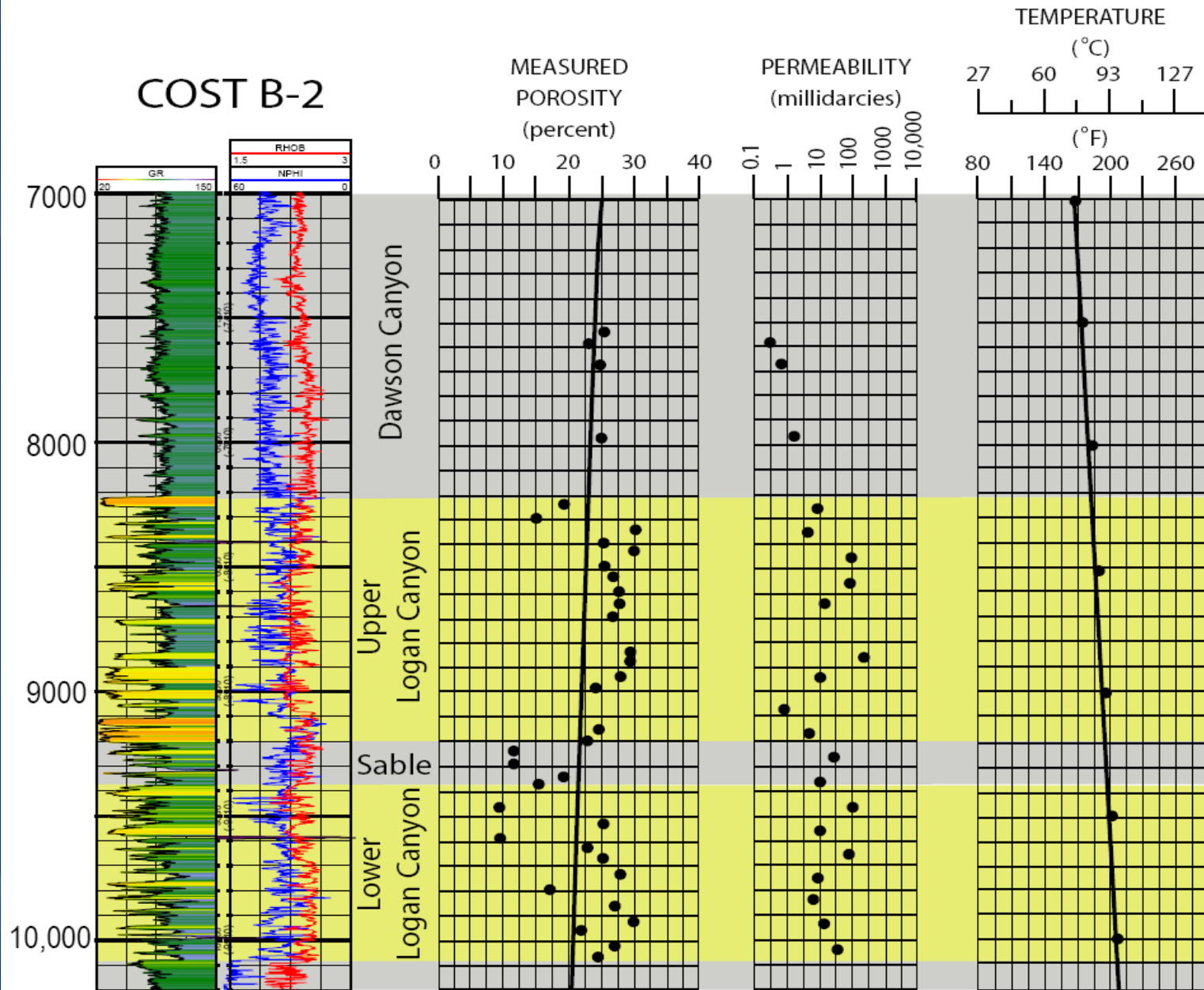
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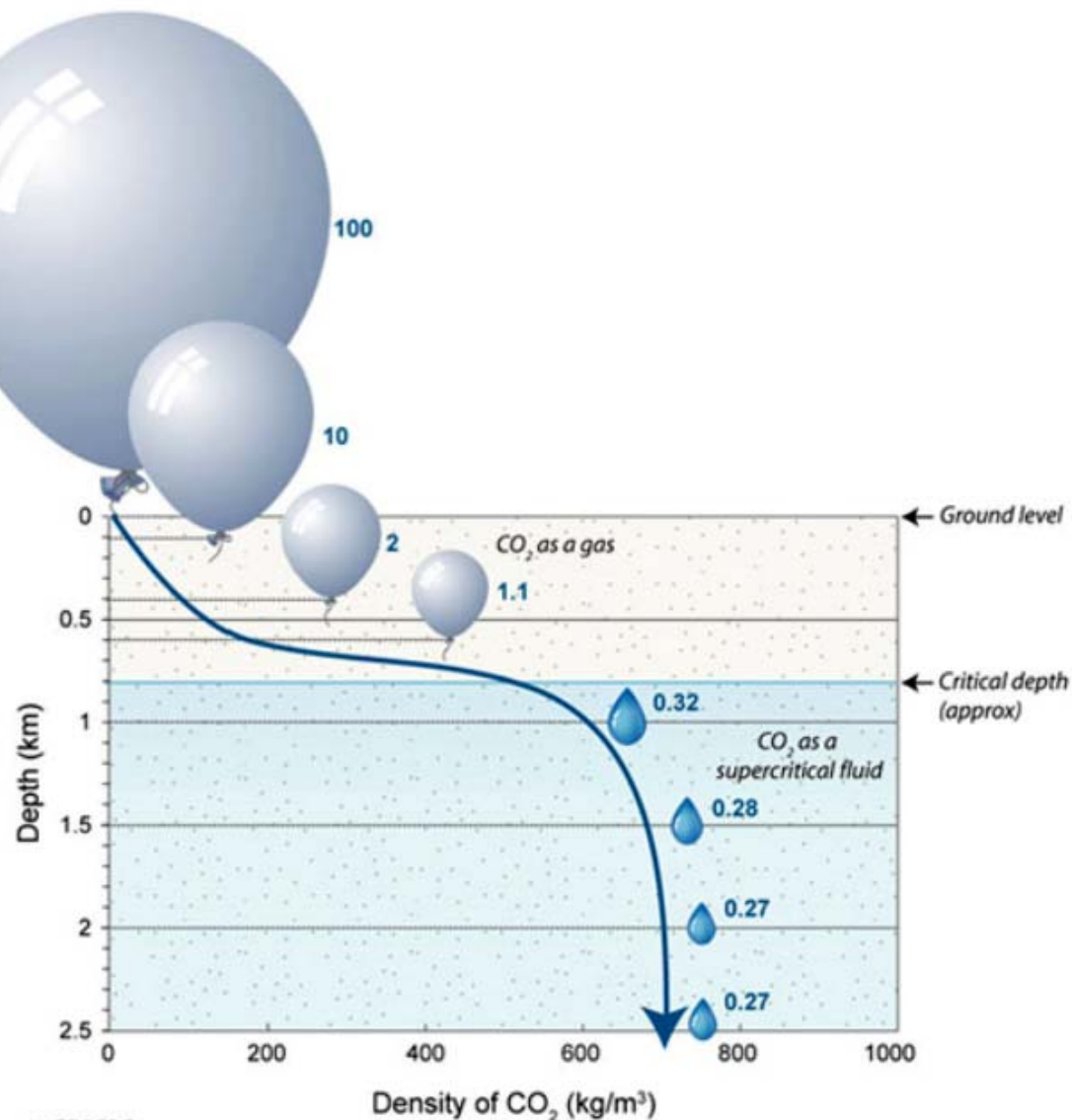
Sequestration Area



COST B-2



Pressure and Density



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The density of CO₂ “tops out” at approximately 700 kg/mg³ (43.7 lbs/ft³). This occurs at a depth of approximately 2.5km, or 8,200 feet. Since the Upper Logan Canyon occurs at or below that depth, a density 43.7 lbs/ft³ was used in all capacity equations.

Capacities for the 2,000 square mile target area

Reservoir Unit	Reservoir Depth	Reservoir Temperature	Reservoir Pressure	Reservoir Thickness	Reservoir Area	CO2 Mass Storage Capacity (in MMT) @ 20% Porosity		
	feet	deg F	psi	feet	acre	displace 1%	displace 2.5%	displace 4%
Upper Logan Canyon	8,000	160	3,300	932	1,280,000 (2,000 mi ²)	2,066	5,165	8,263
Lower Logan Canyon	8,900	180	3,600	650	1,280,000 (2,000 mi ²)	1,383	3,457	5,531
Total				1,582		3,449	8,622	13,794

2010 CO2 Emissions (Million Metric Tonnes, MMT)

State	Electric Power	Industrial	
Pennsylvania	116.58	39.20	
New York	37.76	10.29	
Maryland	24.52	4.57	
Massachusetts	17.99	3.62	
New Jersey	17.62	9.18	
Connecticut	7.62	1.99	
Delaware	4.17	1.55	
TOTAL	109.68	70.4	180.08

Capacity ranges from 19 - 77 years of storage at current emission levels

Capacities for the 8,000 square mile target area

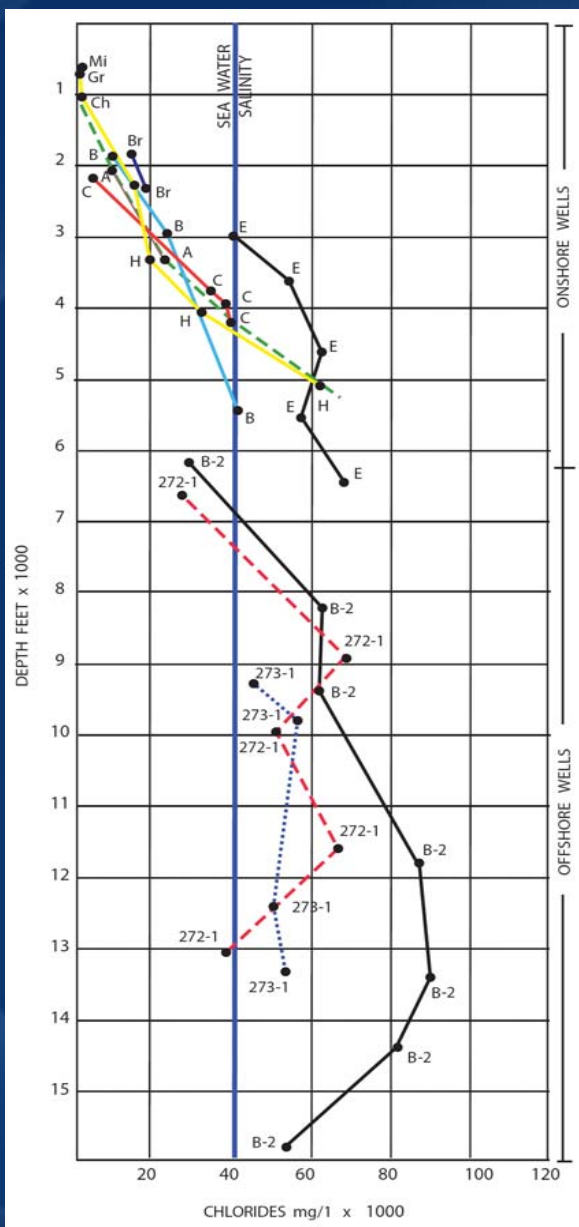
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Upper Logan Canyon	8,000	160	3,300	932	5,120,000 (8,000 mi ²)	8,263	20,659	33,054
Lower Logan Canyon	8,900	180	3,600	650	5,120,000 (8,000 mi ²)	5,531	13,828	22,125
Total				1,582		13,794	34,487	55,179

2010 CO2 Emissions (Million Metric Tonnes, MMT)

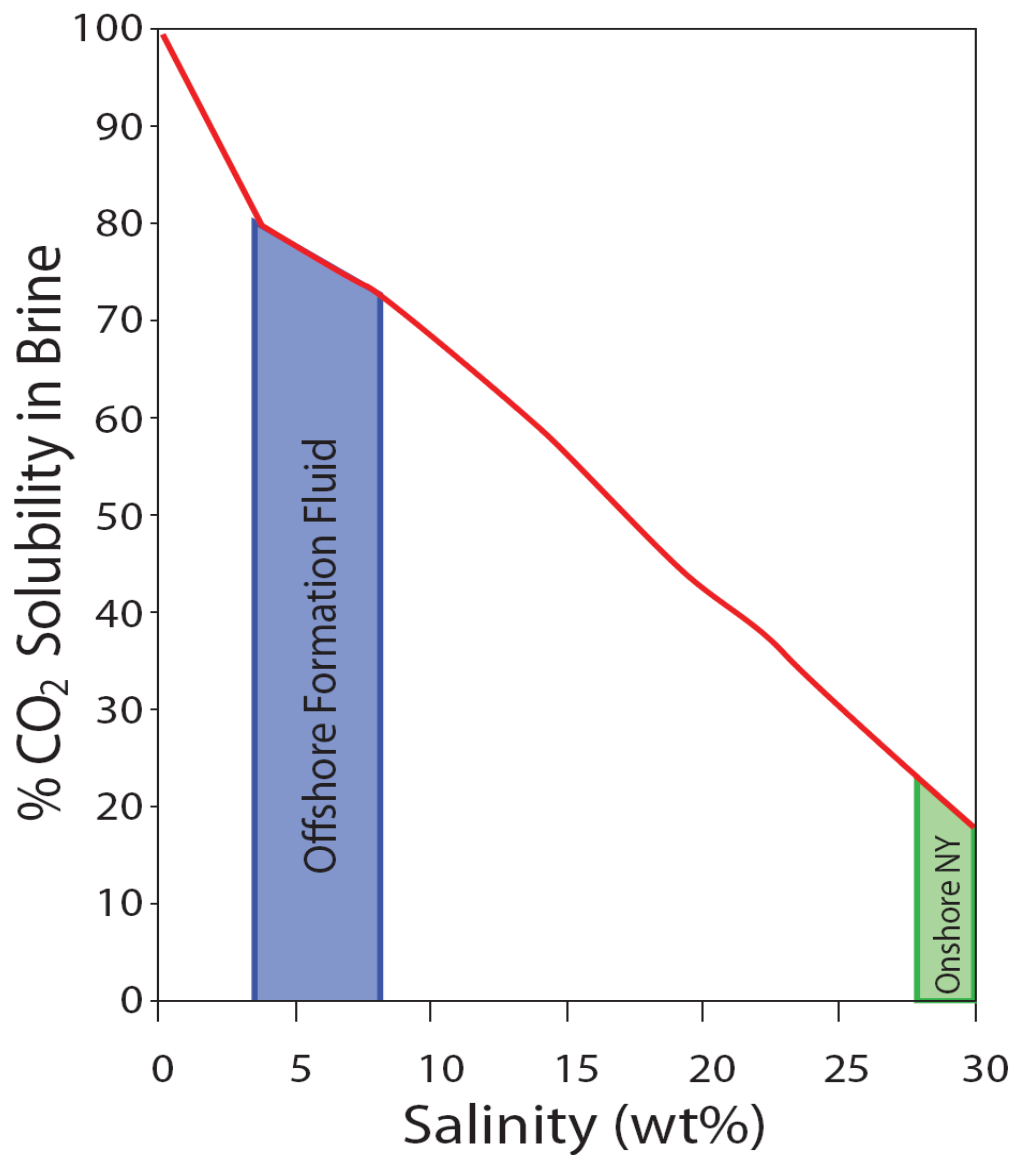
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Capacity ranges from 77 - 307 years of storage at current emission levels

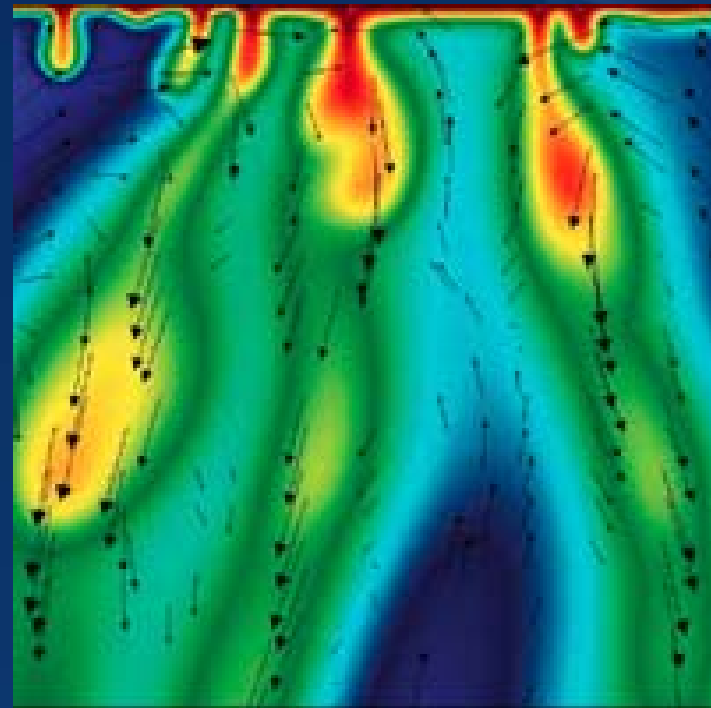
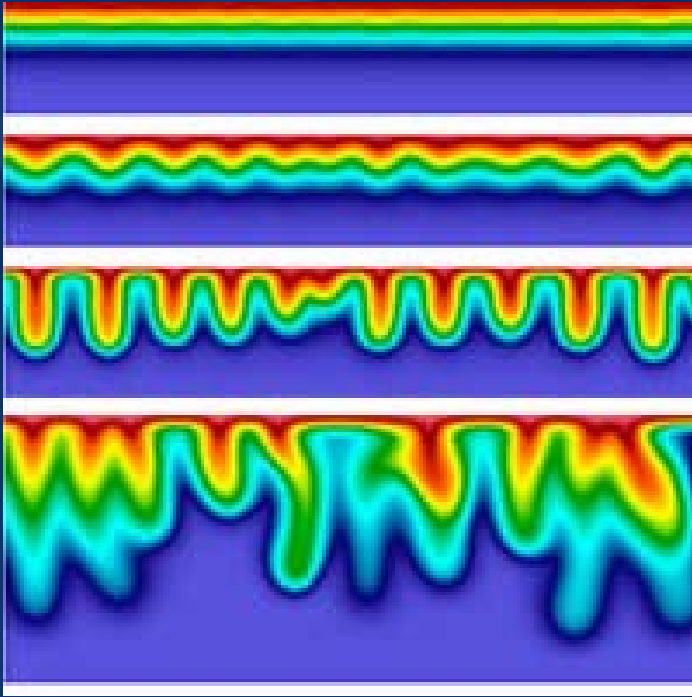
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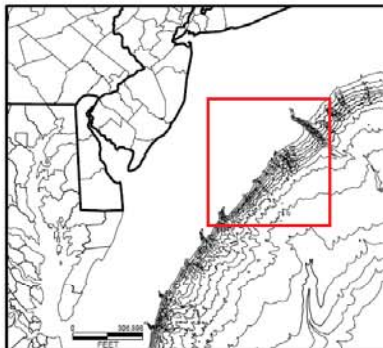
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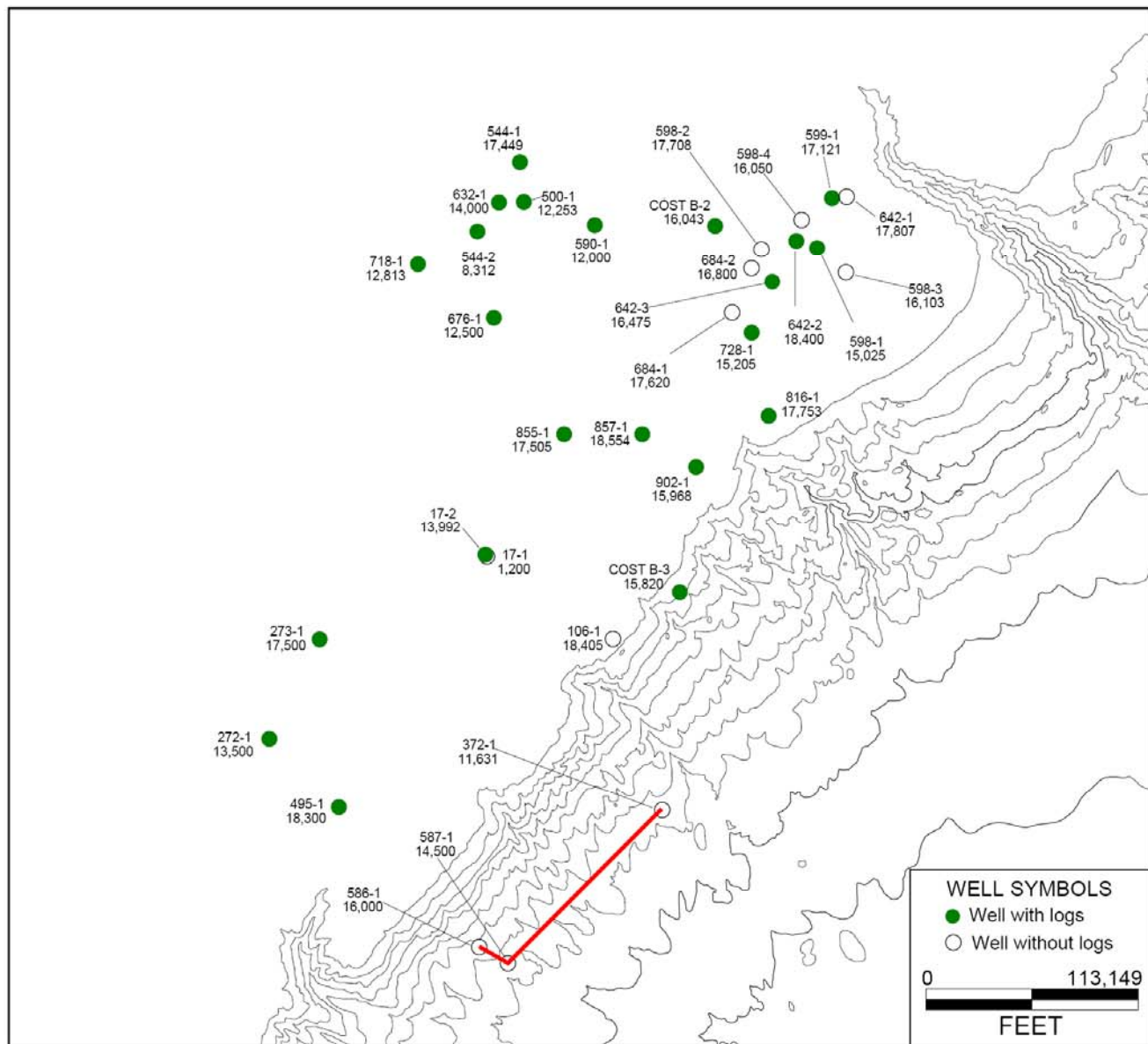
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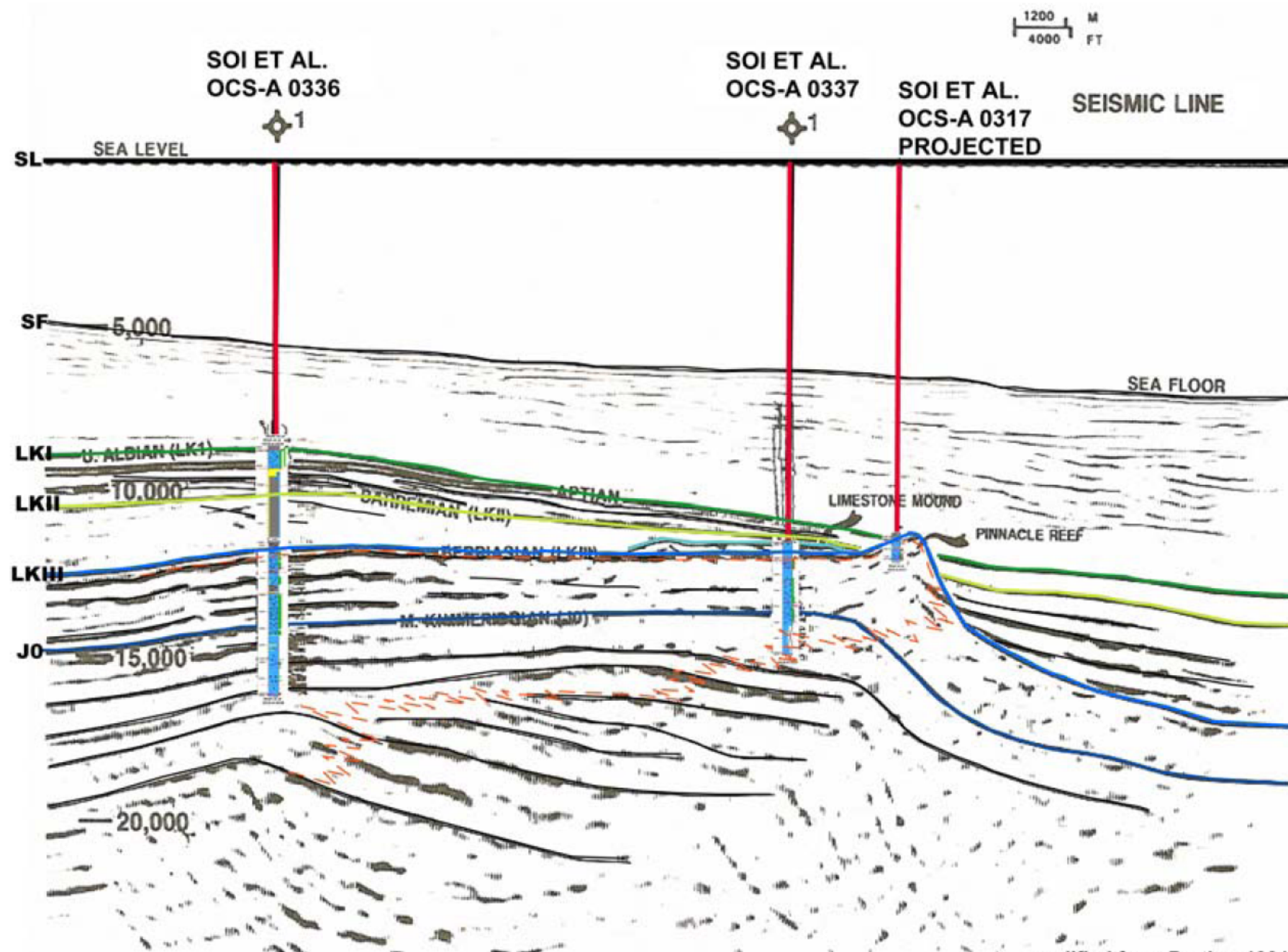


According to Pruess, when CO₂ is first injected into an aquifer, it forms a separate layer, a bubble of sorts, above the saline. Over time, some CO₂ will diffuse into the brine, causing the brine density to increase slightly. As more of the CO₂ diffuses into the water, the resulting layer of carbonic acid (now less buoyant than the water below it) sinks. This churns up fresh brine, and a convective process kicks in which dramatically increases the rate of CO₂ uptake, compared to diffusion alone.



Company	Well name
-----	COST B-2
Shell	273-1
Shell	587-1
Shell	586-1
Shell	93-1
Gulf	857-1
Texaco	598-2
Mobil	17-2
Mobil	544-1
Exxon	684-2
Tenneco	495-1
-----	COST B-3
Conoco	590-1
Shell	632-1
Texaco	598-1
Houston	676-1
Exxon	684-1
Mobil	17-1
Houston	855-1
Shell	272-1
Gulf	718-1
Exxon	902-1
Tenneco	642-2
Exxon	500-1
Texaco	642-1
Murphy	106-1
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Exxon	728-1
Shell	372-1





modified from Prather 1991

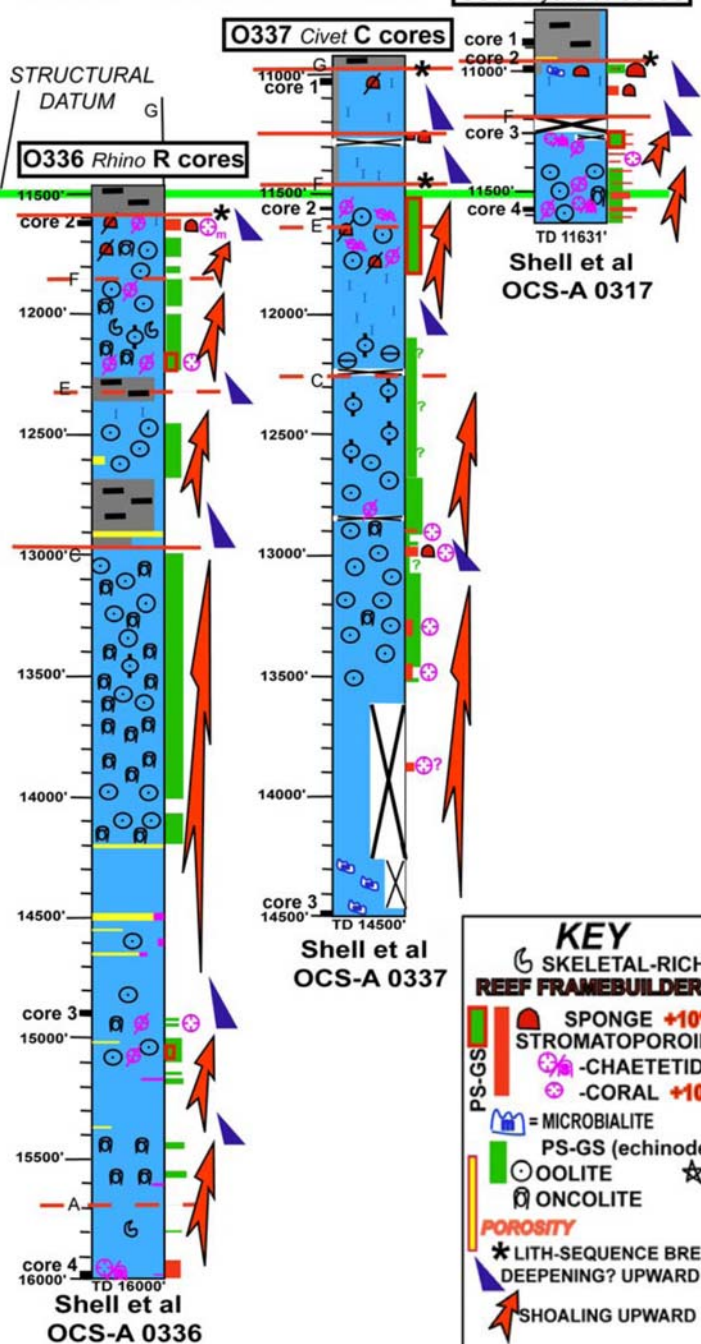
SHELF MARGIN WELLS

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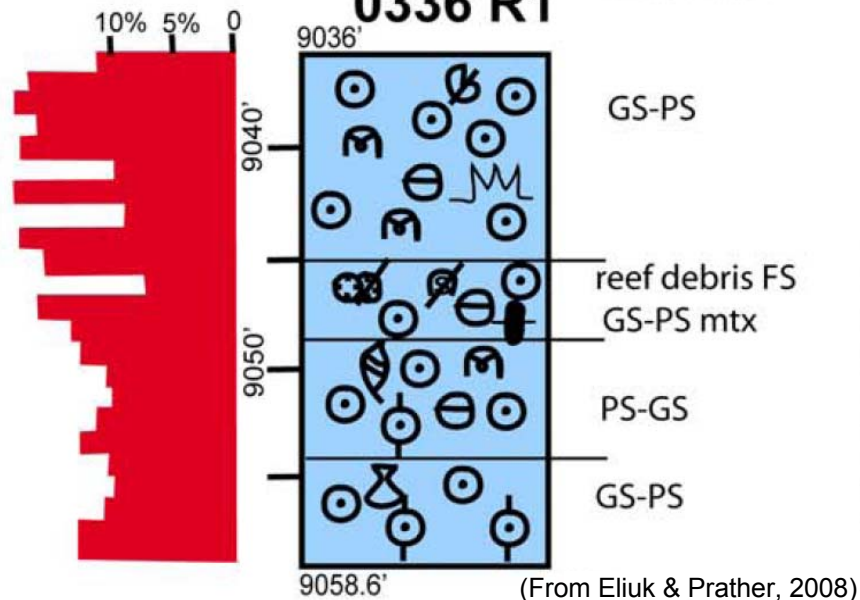
0336 Rhino R cores



POROSITY

WELL-CORE
0336 R1

DUNHAM (E&K)
TEXTURE



Conclusions

- Advantages of offshore sequestration in the sedimentary units of the Baltimore Canyon Trough include (but are not limited to) close proximity to large point sources, a vast area of potential reservoir, and lower salinity formation fluids may drastically increase storage capacity
- The application of Scotian Shelf nomenclature to the Baltimore Canyon Trough rock formations appears to be an easy and effective way to divide the
- Correlation of wireline logs from previous hydrocarbon exploration shows the Upper and Lower Logan Canyon equivalents to be continuous over the 2,000 mi² study area.
- Porosity and permeability data from previous studies indicate that the Logan Canyon equivalents have porosities (>25%) and permeabilities (≥ 10 mD) that are favorable for sequestration of supercritical CO₂.
- Preliminary capacity estimates range from 3,449 to 55,179 MMT of CO₂.
- Features such as the Schlee Dome and carbonate reef (Abenaki Equivalent) represent additional traps and potential reservoirs.

Work Plan

(A lot has been done, but there's much more left to do!)

- Detailed analysis of shale facies and other sealing units
- Plume migration modeling
- Take a closer look at Schlee Dome
- Take a closer look at the Abenaki Equivalent carbonates
- Calibrate / Normalize NPHI curves to lab measured porosities
- Seismic Interpretation

“Exploration wells have penetrated at least four of the largest structural culminations in the Baltimore Canyon Trough. These wells show that sealing and reservoir facies are present in both the interior-shelf and shelf margin trends.” – Prather, 1991

Thank You