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$$R_w = R_{we_cor} \cdot R_{we}$$

R_{we} = Resistivity water equivalent (units: ohm-meter)

R_{we_cor} = Groundwater type correction factor (units: dimensionless)

R_w = Resistivity of water (units: ohm-meter)

Note: The following R_{we_cor} values can be used for water types:

- $R_{we_cor} = 1.33$, for average sodium bicarbonate (Estep, 2010).
- $R_{we_cor} = 1.75$, for high sodium bicarbonate (Alger, 1966).
- $R_{we_cor} = 1.1$, for average sodium sulfate (Estep, 2010).
- $R_{we_cor} = 1.0$, for sodium chloride solutions (Estep, 2010).

For this study, $R_{we_cor} = 1$, therefore $R_w = R_{we}$.

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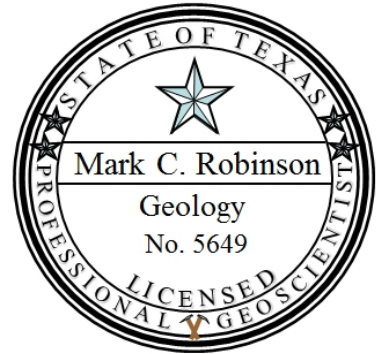
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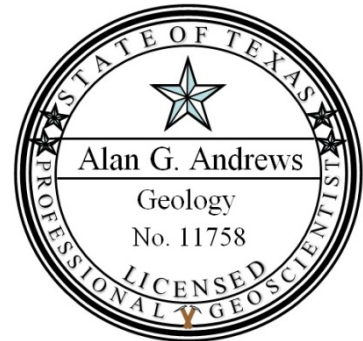
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1. Executive summary

Brackish groundwater is an abundant resource in Texas and recognized as an important supply to meet future water demands. The Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) funded a study that estimated more than 2.7 billion acre-feet of brackish groundwater (with a total dissolved solids concentration of 1,000 to 10,000 milligrams per liter) is available in the state. However, the study was, by design, broad in scope and narrow in its assessment of groundwater quality. To improve on the 2003 study, the TWDB requested and received funding from the 81st Texas Legislature in 2009 to implement the Brackish Resources Aquifer Characterization System (BRACS) program to more thoroughly characterize the brackish aquifers.

The goals of the BRACS program are to (1) map and characterize the brackish parts of the major and minor aquifers of the state in greater detail using existing water well reports, geophysical well logs, and available aquifer data and (2) build datasets that can be used for groundwater exploration and replicable numerical groundwater flow models to estimate aquifer productivity. Since the program's inception, the TWDB completed five internal studies and presently has three ongoing studies. Additionally, the Texas Legislature has appropriated in total \$2.1 million to the TWDB to fund three research projects in 2010 and seven aquifer projects in 2015. Continued funding to support work for House Bill 30 was vetoed during the 85th Texas Legislature session, but internal staff continues to work on aquifer studies.

The TWDB chose to study the Lipan Aquifer because of recent severe drought conditions in the area and the growing demand for water in the region. According to the TWDB Precipitation and Lake Evaporation website, the long-term regional annual precipitation in the TWDB-designated precipitation quadrangle number 607, which corresponds to the study area, is 21 inches. However, in 2011, only 6.9 inches of precipitation was reported. Data from the TWDB Water Data for Texas website indicates storage in the four surface water reservoirs that serve San Angelo decreased to less than 13 percent of capacity and, despite high statewide precipitation in 2014 and 2015, surface storage in the area had only increased to 19 percent by 2016.

The Lipan Aquifer, centered around Tom Green County in west central Texas, is one of the 21 minor aquifers in Texas. The study area is 3,850 square miles in size and encompasses the majority of Tom Green County and parts of Coke, Concho, Glasscock, Irion, Runnels, Schleicher, and Sterling counties. It lies entirely within the Region F Regional Water Planning Area and Groundwater Management Area 7 and contains parts of six groundwater conservation districts.

According to the 2016 Region F Regional Water Plan (Freese and Nichols and LBG-Guyton Associates, 2015), Tom Green, Runnels, and Concho counties currently use, or are expected to use, water from the Lipan Aquifer. The Lipan Aquifer currently supplies approximately 23 percent of the total water demand for the area. Annual water demands for these counties are forecast to increase from 81,796 acre-feet to 143,444 acre-feet between 2010 and 2070, while existing drought of record water supplies are forecast to be 85,612 acre-feet by decade 2070. This results in a 57,832 acre-foot need for new water supply by decade 2070.

The Lipan Aquifer is composed of a diverse set of geological units capable of producing brackish groundwater with total dissolved solids between 1,000 and 9,999 milligrams per liter,

defined as slightly saline to moderately saline groundwater. We found that a thin cover of less than 200 feet of Quaternary and Neogene sediments and up to 400 feet of Cretaceous limestone overlie a series of westerly dipping geological formations composed of Permian limestone, dolomite, shale, and siltstone. Groundwater can be found in the weathered portions of most of the Permian formations and throughout younger geological units where wells have been drilled below the static water level.

The Lipan Aquifer has approximately 6.22 million acre-feet of groundwater that can be quantified within three salinity zones: (1) 0.17 million acre-feet of fresh groundwater (0 to 999 milligrams per liter of total dissolved solids), (2) 4.44 million acre-feet of slightly saline groundwater (1,000 to 2,999 milligrams per liter of total dissolved solids), and (3) 1.61 million acre-feet of moderately saline groundwater (3,000 to 9,999 milligrams per liter of total dissolved solids). With the available data, we could not accurately define the bottom depth of very saline groundwater zone (10,000 to 34,999 milligrams per liter of total dissolved solids), but it is expected to be between 500 and 900 feet below ground surface.

The fresh water zone is restricted to the Quaternary-Neogene and Cretaceous formations. The slightly and moderately saline zones transect all Permian formations. A significant portion of any brackish groundwater in the Lipan Aquifer study area is within weathered Permian formations overlain by Cretaceous formations. Although there are only a few instances where water wells have been completed into Permian formations in these areas, the development of brackish groundwater in these areas may represent an untapped resource for entities interested in brackish groundwater desalination.

The TWDB did not designate brackish groundwater production zones in the Lipan Aquifer. House Bill 30 (84th Texas Legislature, 2015) requirements precluded designation because the Lipan Aquifer does not have hydrogeologic barriers separating fresh and brackish groundwater and brackish groundwater is currently serving as a significant source for municipal, domestic, or agricultural purposes.

In order to supply Texas resource planners and policy makers with reliable tools for assessing the aquifer response associated with groundwater use over a 50-year planning period, the Texas Legislature instituted the Groundwater Availability Modeling (GAM) program during the 76th Legislative Session in 1999. In 2005, House Bill 1763 mandated that groundwater conservation districts evaluate and develop the desired future conditions for aquifers within their groundwater management areas, from which managed available groundwater is to be estimated. The Lipan Aquifer GAM was developed in 2005 to meet these objectives. Based upon the hydrogeology detailed in this study, a future GAM can be designed with more accurate predictive capabilities.

We found that despite the large numbers of wells drilled for water and hydrocarbons over the last 70 years within the study area, there are very few records on the water quality and aquifer hydraulic properties of the brackish groundwater intervals. Future efforts to obtain this information from wells drilled through the brackish groundwater formations would be extremely useful in more accurately quantifying this resource.

Study deliverables include a peer-reviewed report, Geographic Information System map files, BRACS Database and data dictionary, and water well and geophysical well log files. All data used for the study is readily available to the public and downloadable from the TWDB website.

2. Introduction

Mapping of Texas' saline water resources dates back to 1956 with the U.S. Geological Survey conducting a high-level study to outline the occurrence, quantity, and quality of saline waters in the state (Winslow and Kister, 1956). The study was part of a national effort to identify new sources for water-scarce areas. In 1970, the TWDB funded a more detailed study "to make a reconnaissance and inventory of the principal saline aquifers in Texas that discussed the salinity, the productivity, and the geology of the aquifers" (Core Laboratories, 1972). In 2003, the TWDB funded a study to map the brackish aquifers and calculate the volume of brackish (slightly to moderately saline) groundwater available in these aquifers (LBG-Guyton Associates, 2003). The study was done to support the regional water planning process and help identify alternative sources to meet water demands. It estimated there is approximately 2.7 billion acre-feet of brackish groundwater in the aquifers in the state (LBG-Guyton Associates, 2003). While the study demonstrated that brackish groundwater is an important resource, it also highlighted the need for detailed aquifer studies.

In 2009, the 81st Texas Legislature provided funding to the TWDB to establish the Brackish Resources Aquifer Characterization System (BRACS). The goal of the program is to map and characterize the brackish portions of the aquifers in Texas in sufficient detail to provide useful information and data to regional water planning groups and other entities interested in using brackish groundwater as a water supply. The TWDB completed the first pilot study on the Pecos Valley Aquifer in West Texas to establish the methods of data analysis for future studies.

In 2010, with legislative funding, the TWDB funded three research projects totaling \$449,500 to support the BRACS program (Table 2-1). The first project identified geophysical well logs that could be used to map the geologic structure of aquifers and estimate the salinity of groundwater across Texas. The logs were then scanned into digital images and entered into a database. The BRACS Database now has more than 52,000 logs available (TWDB, 2016a). The second project compiled a bibliography of more than 7,500 reports, articles, and graduate research papers with an emphasis on Texas geologic formations containing brackish groundwater into a relational database. This database serves as a source of reference for evaluating existing geologic information for a project area. The third project assessed computer software capable of modeling different densities of groundwater found in brackish aquifers. A project report and a modeling code selection tool were developed to help users select the appropriate software.

In 2015, the 84th Texas Legislature passed House Bill 30, directing the TWDB to conduct studies to identify and designate brackish groundwater production zones in the state. The legislation directed the TWDB to make designations in four aquifers—the Carrizo-Wilcox Aquifer located between the Colorado River and the Rio Grande, the Gulf Coast Aquifer and sediments bordering that aquifer, the Blaine Aquifer, and the Rustler Aquifer—and to report the designations to the legislature by December 1, 2016. The TWDB selected three additional brackish aquifers (the Trinity, Blossom, and Nacatoch aquifers) to study. The legislation further requires the TWDB to identify and designate brackish groundwater production zones in the remaining aquifers in the state before December 1, 2022. For information on House Bill 30 requirements refer to Section 4. With the passing of House Bill 30, the TWDB funded seven aquifer projects totaling \$1.7 million (Table 2-1).

Table 2-1. TWDB-funded projects of the BRACS program.

| Report title | Short description | Contractor | Study type | Year funded | Grant amount |
|--|---|---------------------------------------|------------|-------------|--------------|
| Geophysical Well Log Data Collection Project | Geophysical well logs from brackish aquifers in the state were collected from multiple sources, digitized, and entered into a database. | Bureau of Economic Geology | Research | 2010 | \$300,000 |
| Brackish Groundwater Bibliography Project | The project developed a comprehensive bibliography of Texas brackish aquifers. | INTERA, Inc. | Research | 2010 | \$99,500 |
| An Assessment of Modeling Approaches to Brackish Aquifers in Texas | The study assessed groundwater modeling approaches for brackish aquifers. | INTERA, Inc. | Research | 2010 | \$50,000 |
| Identification of Potential Brackish Groundwater Production Areas – Carrizo Aquifer | The project mapped and characterized the aquifer and evaluated the aquifer for potential production areas. | Bureau of Economic Geology | Research | 2016 | \$181,446 |
| Identification of Potential Brackish Groundwater Production Areas – Gulf Coast Aquifer | The project mapped and characterized the aquifer and evaluated the aquifer for potential production areas. | INTERA, Inc. | Research | 2016 | \$500,000 |
| Brackish Groundwater in the Blaine Aquifer System, North Central Texas | The project mapped and characterized the aquifer and evaluated the aquifer for potential production areas. | Daniel B. Stephens & Associates, Inc. | Research | 2016 | \$200,000 |
| Identification of Potential Brackish Groundwater Production Areas – Rustler Aquifer | The project mapped and characterized the aquifer and evaluated the aquifer for potential production areas. | INTERA, Inc. | Research | 2016 | \$200,000 |
| Identification of Potential Brackish Groundwater Production Areas – Blossom Aquifer | The project will map and characterize the aquifer and evaluate the aquifer for potential production areas. | LBG-Guyton | Research | 2016 | \$50,000 |
| Identification of Potential Brackish Groundwater Production Areas – Nacatoch Aquifer | The project will map and characterize the aquifer and evaluate the aquifer for potential production areas. | LBG-Guyton | Research | 2016 | \$150,000 |
| Identification of Potential Brackish Groundwater Production Areas – Trinity Aquifer | The project will map and characterize the aquifer and evaluate the aquifer for potential production areas. | Southwest Research Institute | Research | 2016 | \$400,000 |

The TWDB has completed five internal studies (Figure 2-1) and presently has three ongoing studies (Figure 2-2). The five completed studies include the Pecos Valley Aquifer in West Texas (Meyer and others, 2012), the Queen City and Sparta aquifers in Atascosa and McMullen counties (Wise, 2014), the Gulf Coast Aquifer in the Corpus Christi area (Meyer, 2012), the Lower Rio Grande Valley (Meyer and others, 2014), and the Lipan Aquifer. The ongoing study for the Wilcox, Carrizo, Queen City, Sparta, and Yegua aquifers in Central Texas (collectively called the Upper Coastal Plain Aquifers) is in the initial stages of analysis. The other two ongoing studies for the Dockum and Edwards-Trinity Plateau aquifers began the initial phase of data collection in the spring of 2017.

For each BRACS study, the TWDB staff collects as much geological, geophysical, and water-well data as is available in the public domain and uses the information to map and characterize both the vertical and horizontal extent of the aquifers in great detail. Groundwater is classified into five salinity classes (Table 2-2): fresh, slightly saline, moderately saline, very saline, and

brine (Winslow and Kister, 1956). The volume of groundwater in each salinity class is estimated based on the three-dimensional mapping of the salinity zones. All project information is entered into the BRACS Database that the TWDB developed to store and analyze the information. The BRACS Database is a Microsoft Access database that is described in a detailed BRACS Database Data Dictionary (Meyer, 2017), which are both downloadable from the TWDB website (www.twdb.texas.gov/innovativewater/bracs/database.asp).

Table 2-2. Groundwater salinity classification used in the study (Winslow and Kister, 1956). Colors used in this table for each salinity classification are consistent throughout the report and GIS datasets.

| Groundwater salinity classification | Total dissolved solids concentration (units: milligrams per liter) |
|-------------------------------------|--|
| Fresh | 0 to 999 |
| Slightly saline | 1,000 to 2,999 |
| Moderately saline | 3,000 to 9,999 |
| Very saline | 10,000 to 34,999 |
| Brine | Greater than 35,000 |

The project deliverables, both the report and data, are available to the public on the TWDB website. The report is organized into various chapters. The data includes raw data in numerous digital formats and processed data in the form of GIS datasets. Digital geophysical well logs used for the studies are available upon request or downloadable from the TWDB Water Data Interactive website (www2.twdb.texas.gov/apps/waterdatainteractive/groundwaterdataviewer).

Information produced from these studies is not intended to serve as a substitute for site-specific evaluations of local aquifer characteristics and groundwater conditions for desalination projects. During design and development of a well field, an entity will need to determine the productivity of the brackish aquifer using monitoring and production wells and groundwater modeling. It is important to note that existing TWDB groundwater models are designed for regional assessment and are not applicable to well field analysis. These models are not constructed to analyze the effect of salinity on groundwater flow and in general should not be used for estimating withdrawal of saline water. Other significant factors an entity should evaluate before developing brackish groundwater are groundwater quantity and quality changes and potential subsidence.

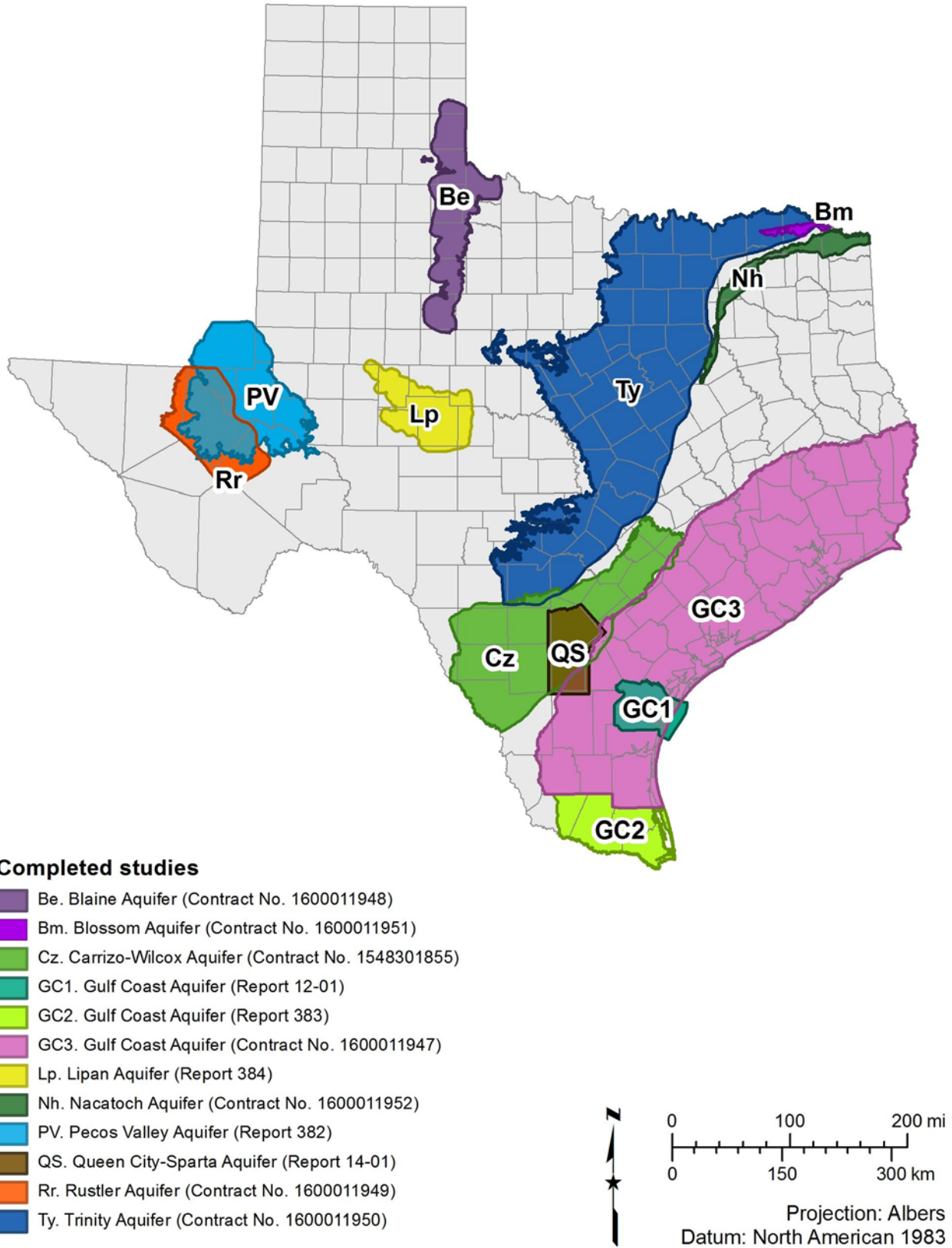


Figure 2-1. Completed studies of the BRACS program.

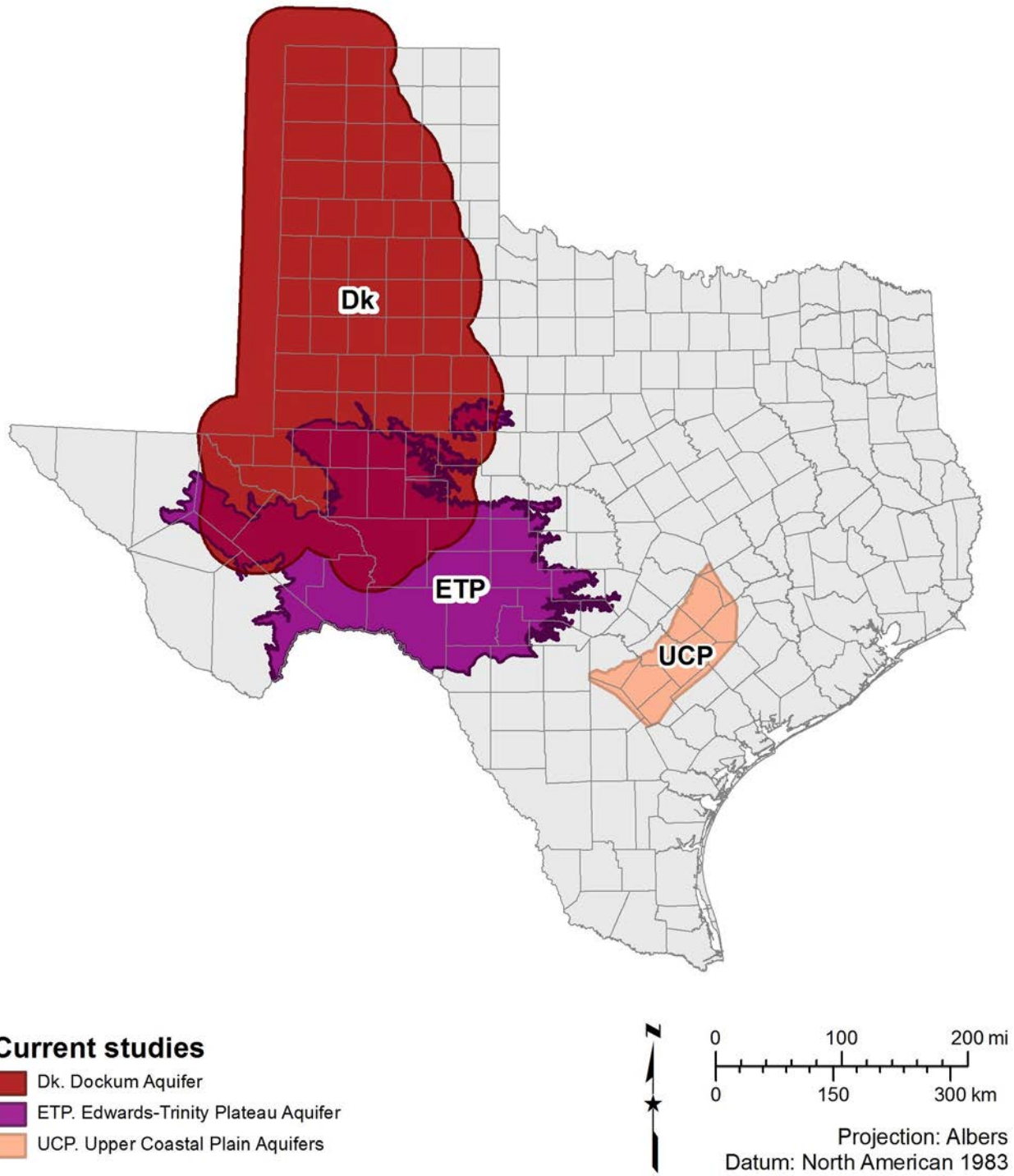


Figure 2-2. Ongoing studies of the BRACS program.

3. Study area

The Lipan Aquifer is one of the 21 minor aquifers in Texas and is centered around Tom Green County in west central Texas. The Lipan Aquifer study area encompasses parts of Coke, Concho, Glasscock, Irion, Runnels, Schleicher, Sterling, and Tom Green counties that are underlain by the Lipan Aquifer. The study area is defined as the area overlying the TWDB-defined extent of the Lipan Aquifer (TWDB, 2007b) and an additional four-mile buffer zone (Figure 3-1). This area encompasses 3,850 square miles. The aquifer consists of Quaternary and Neogene sediments at or near the surface and underlying hydrologically connected Permian formations. Ground-surface elevations range from approximately 2,800 feet to 1,600 feet above mean sea level.

The study area lies entirely within the Region F Regional Water Planning Area and Groundwater Management Area 7 and contains parts of six groundwater conservation districts: (1) Coke County Underground Water Conservation District, (2) Glasscock Groundwater Conservation District, (3) Irion County Water Conservation District, (4) Lipan-Kickapoo Water Conservation District, (5) Plateau Underground Water Conservation and Supply District, and (6) Sterling County Underground Water Conservation District (Figure 3-2).

Cities and the boundaries of the larger public water supply systems in the study area are presented in Figure 3-3. A cross-reference between the public water supply system name, map identification number, and public water supply identification number assigned by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality is provided in Table 3-1. The public water supply name or identification number can be used to query public water system data from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality website using the Texas Drinking Water Watch. Source of the water system boundaries is a 2011 study contracted by the TWDB (HDR, 2011) using 2010 data; not all public water supply systems are present in this dataset, and water system boundaries may have changed since this project was completed.

There are no existing desalination facilities in the study area. The 2017 State Water Plan contains two recommended water management strategies proposing to use brackish groundwater in the study area. The water user groups include the City of San Angelo and the Concho Rural Water Supply Corporation (TWDB, 2016c).

Two major (Edwards-Trinity Plateau and Ogallala) and two minor (Dockum and Lipan) aquifers are present in the study area (Figure 3-4). Many of the water wells investigated in the study produce water from the Edwards-Trinity Plateau Aquifer, which overlies the Lipan Aquifer on the south, west, and much of the north perimeter. Some water wells also produce water from the Dockum Aquifer to the west, but to a lesser extent. These wells are used in the study for various purposes, but only data from wells producing from the Lipan Aquifer are included for aquifer performance and water quality evaluation.

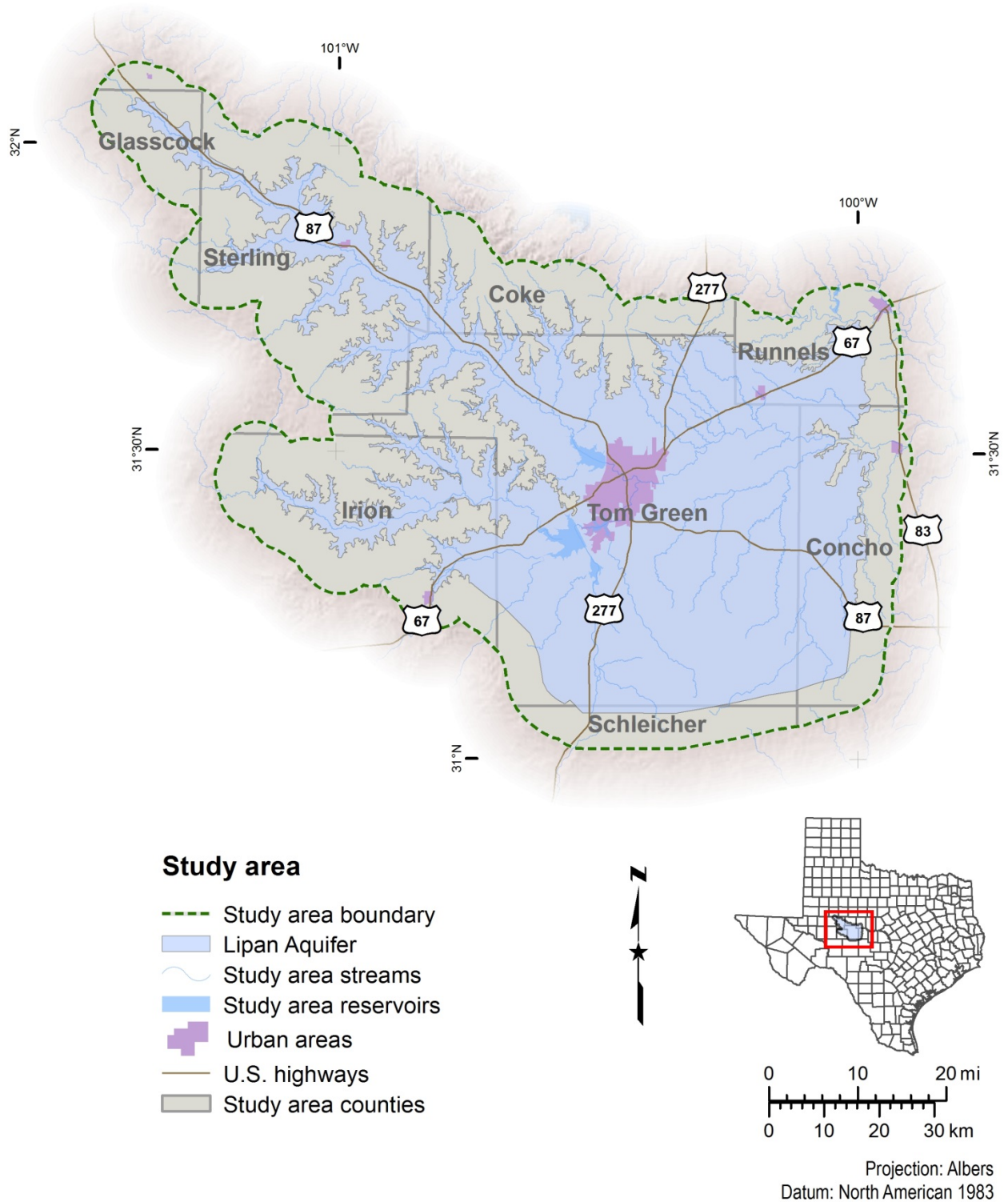


Figure 3-1. Study area boundary based on the TWDB-established extent of the Lipan Aquifer and a four-mile buffer.

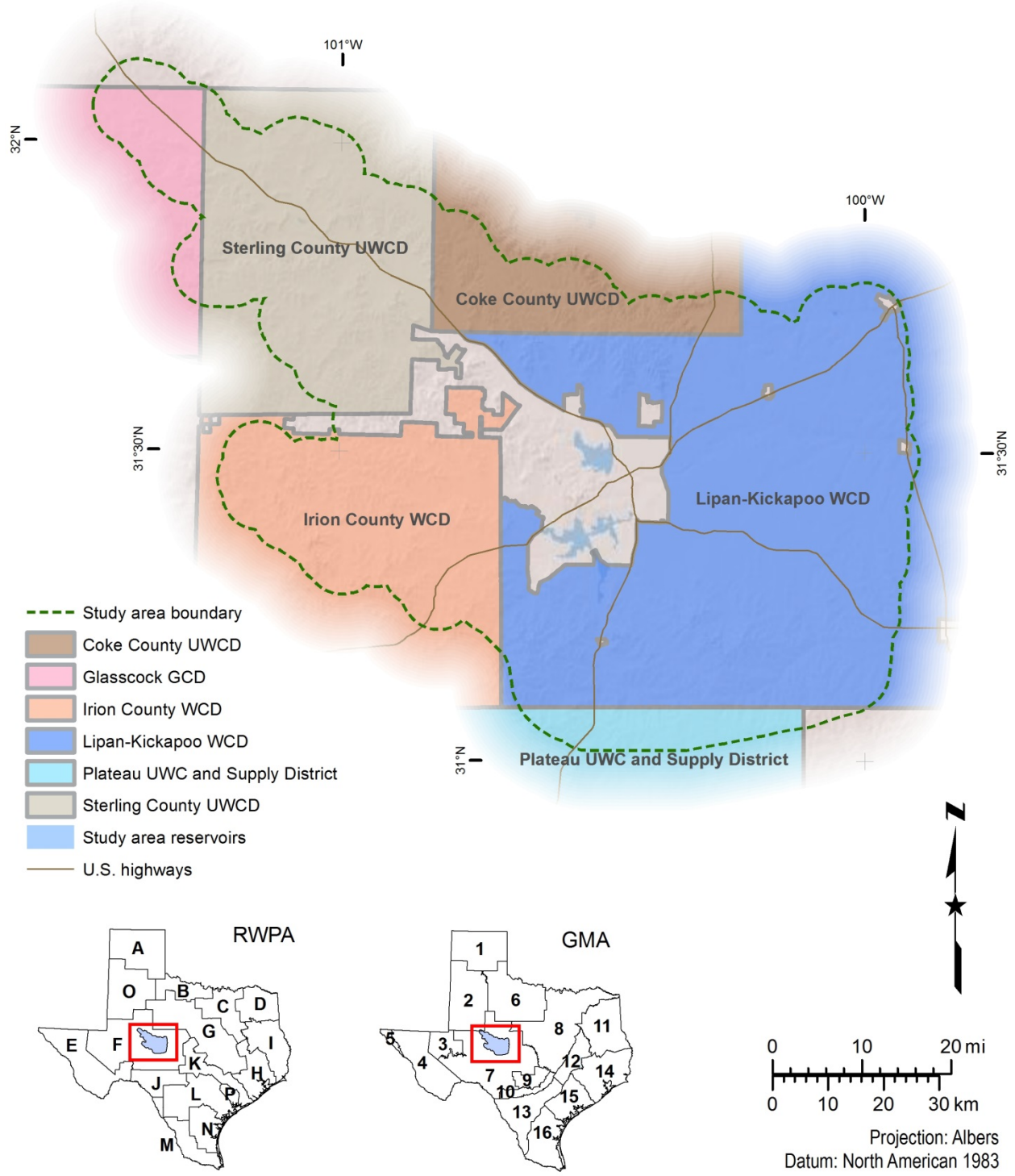


Figure 3-2. Administrative boundaries within the Lipan Aquifer study area. GCD = groundwater conservation district; GMA = groundwater management area; RWPA = regional water planning area; UWC = underground water conservation; UWCD = underground water conservation; WCD = water conservation district.

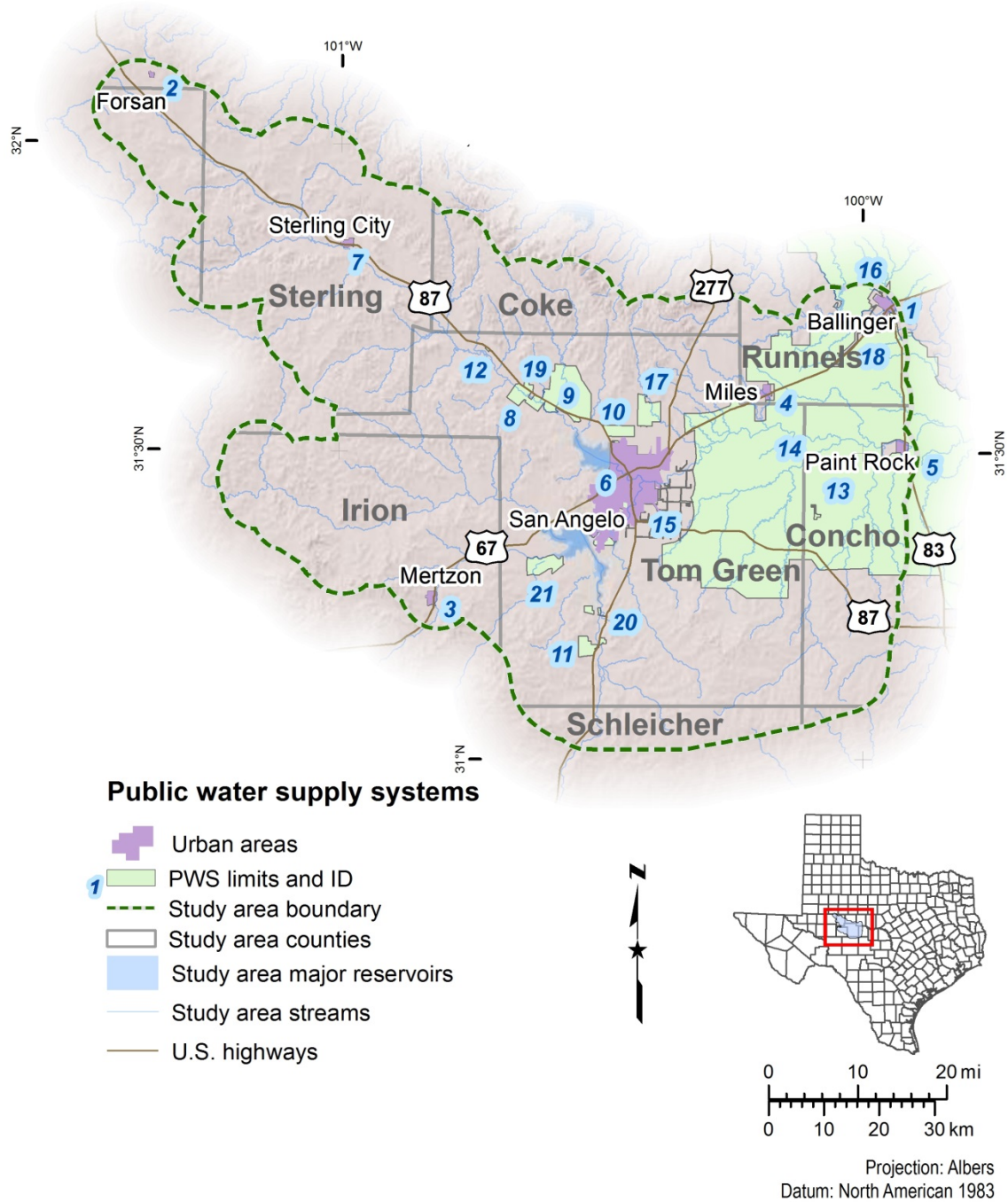


Figure 3-3. City and public water supply system boundaries within the Lipan Aquifer study area. Table 3-1 is a cross-reference of public water system map number and name. City boundaries from Texas Natural Resources Information System Geographic Information System file. Public water system boundaries are from HDR (2011). ID = identification number, refers to map number used; PWS = public water system.

Table 3-1 Public water system cross-reference table that relates the map ID number and the public water supply system name and identification number (PWS ID) used in Figure 3-3. The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality official public water supply system names and assigned ID numbers are used in this table.

| Map ID | PWS ID | Public water system name |
|---------------|---------------|--|
| 1 | 2000001 | City of Ballinger |
| 2 | 1140011 | City of Forsan |
| 3 | 1180002 | City of Mertzon |
| 4 | 2000002 | City of Miles |
| 5 | 480012 | City of Paint Rock |
| 6 | 2260001 | City of San Angelo |
| 7 | 2160001 | City of Sterling City |
| 8 | 2260067 | Concho Rural Water Deer Valley Est |
| 9 | 2260008 | Concho Rural Water Grape Creek |
| 10 | 2260020 | Concho Rural Water North Concho Lake Est |
| 11 | 2260093 | Concho Rural Water The Oaks |
| 12 | 2260060 | Concho Rural Water Water Valley |
| 13 | 480011 | Eola WSC |
| 14 | 480015 | Millersview-Doole WSC |
| 15 | 2260107 | Millersview-Doole WSC Tyler Terrace |
| 16 | 2000005 | North Runnels WSC |
| 17 | 2260101 | Red Creek MUD |
| 18 | 2000004 | Rowena WSC |
| 19 | 2260003 | Tom Green County FWSD 1 Carlsbad |
| 20 | 2260004 | Tom Green County FWSD 2 Christoval |
| 21 | 2260052 | Tom Green County FWSD 3 |

Notes: Est = Estates; FWSD = Fresh Water Supply District; ID = identification number; MUD = Municipal Utility District; PWS = public water system; WSC = Water Supply Corporation.

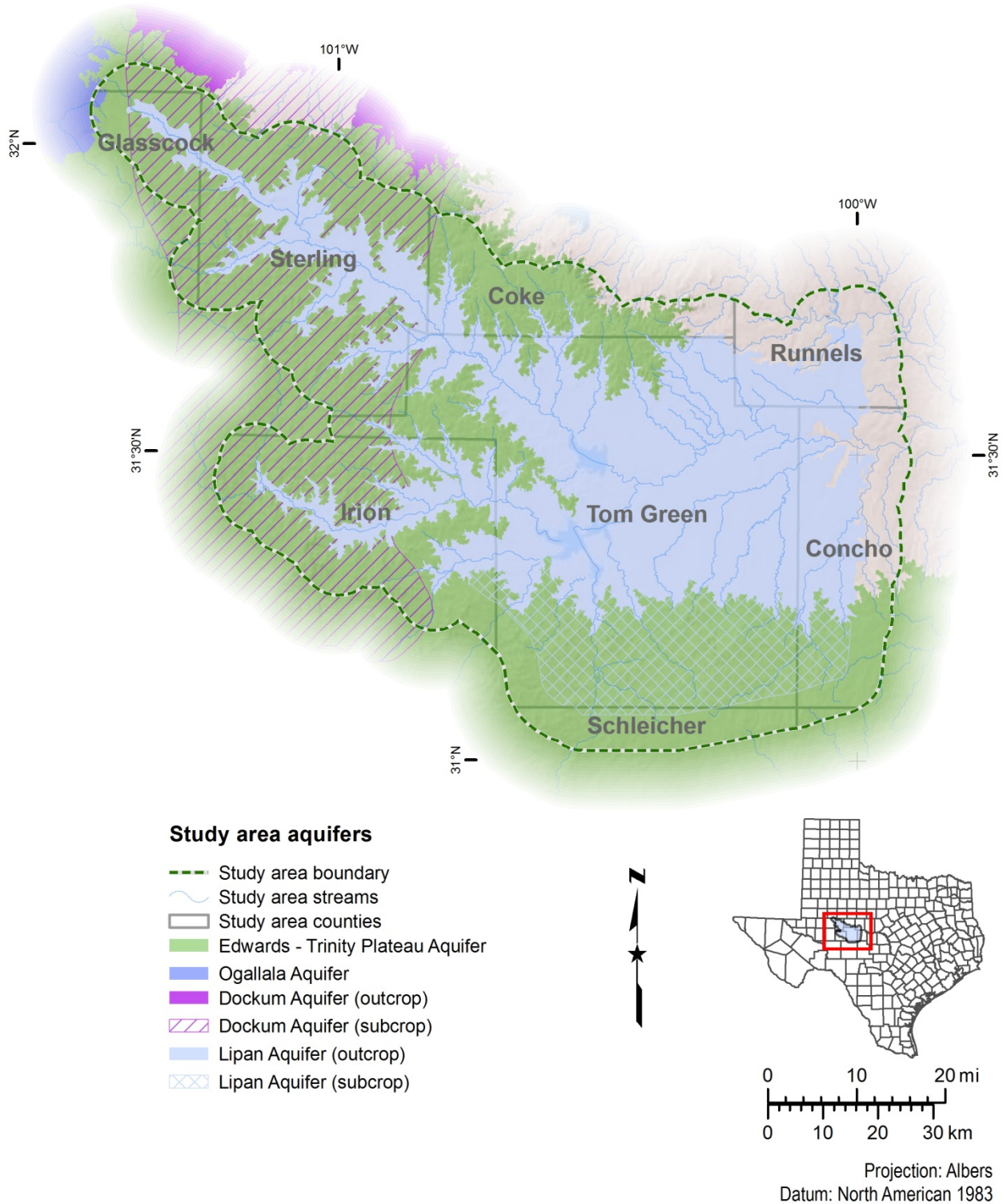


Figure 3-4. Major and minor aquifers in the Lipan Aquifer study area.

4. Region F Regional Water Planning Area summary

The Region F Regional Water Planning Area encompasses all of 32 counties in West Texas. The study area lies completely within Region F and includes most of Tom Green County and portions of Coke, Concho, Glasscock, Runnels, Schleicher, and Sterling counties. In this section the historical pumpage and demand, estimated future demand and needs, and recommended water management strategies are limited only to those counties where the Lipan Aquifer is an active or future source of supply. The source of data is the 2016 Region F Water Plan (Freese and Nichols and LBG-Guyton Associates, 2015) used to develop the current 2017 State Water Plan (TWDB, 2016c).

The 2016 Region F Water Plan reports existing water supplies from the Lipan Aquifer only in Tom Green, Concho, and Runnels counties. Lipan Aquifer groundwater pumping was reported at 28,242 acre-feet in 2010. Pumping from all groundwater sources was reported at 53,650 acre-feet in 2010. The Lipan Aquifer provided approximately 53 percent of all groundwater in the counties where it was an active water source during that period.

Tom Green, Concho, and Runnels counties' total water use for 2010 was 81,796 acre-feet. Groundwater from all sources supplied 66 percent of the water, and specifically the Lipan Aquifer provided 35 percent of groundwater sources. Irrigation and municipal categories were the top sources of water use, accounting for 67 percent and 26 percent, respectively. County-other, manufacturing, mining, steam-electric, and livestock categories comprised the remaining 7 percent of the water use.

By decade 2070, annual water demand is forecast to increase by 75 percent to 143,444 acre-feet while available supply is estimated to decrease to 85,612 acre-feet per year. This difference in supply and demand will result in a need for 57,832 acre-feet of additional water supply. There are two recommended water management strategies for groundwater desalination that will help meet the water shortage where the source may be brackish groundwater from the Lipan Aquifer. The water user groups and project sponsors are the City of San Angelo and the Concho Rural Water Supply Corporation.

For the City of San Angelo, the strategy and its supporting project are called "Desalination of other aquifer supplies in Tom Green County – San Angelo" in the Region F Water Plan. The difference between a water management strategy and project is that a strategy is a plan to meet a water need and the project is the infrastructure required to implement the strategy. The proposed water source is the Permian formations of the Lipan Aquifer. The plan envisions a 7-million-gallon-per-day desalination plant located northwest of the city generating 3,750 acre-feet of new supply annually beginning in decade 2050. The capital cost of the project is \$58 million, and unit water cost for the strategy is \$1,985 per acre-foot during the capital cost amortization period.

The decision to include the desalination strategy was influenced by an LBG-Guyton Associates (2008) study to evaluate the local Whitehorse and Clearfork groups as potential brackish water sources. Two wells were drilled into the Whitehorse Group. One well produced no water, and the second well produced only 10 gallons per minute so the formation was dropped from consideration. The well completed in the Clearfork Group produced 45 gallons per minute, and

the team recommended further investigation. Further details of these results are discussed in Section 6 of this report.

The Concho Rural Water Supply Corporation also plans to develop brackish groundwater. The strategy and its supporting project are called “Desalination of other aquifer supplies in Tom Green County – Concho Rural WSC” in the Region F Water Plan. They estimate producing 150 acre-feet of new water supply per year starting in decade 2020. While not specifically noted, the Lipan Aquifer may be the potential source, depending on their initial studies and testing. The estimated capital cost of the project is \$5.1 million, and unit water cost for the strategy is \$3,505 per acre-foot during the capital cost amortization period.

5. Previous investigations

One of the earliest geological investigations of the study area was completed by Henderson (1928), which provides references to still earlier works from the late 1890s. Henderson does an excellent job of describing the character and extent of outcrops available for study in Tom Green County. Other works by Beede and Waite (1918) and Beede and Bentley (1918) provide similar studies for Runnels and Coke counties, respectively. All of these early studies make mention of the modest groundwater availability for the region.

The Texas Board of Water Engineers (1941) compiled basic data on 630 water wells from Tom Green County. This was followed by Willis (1954) who provided the first comprehensive study of the groundwater resources for the Tom Green County portion of the Lipan Aquifer. This work reviewed 648 water well records and 235 water sample analyses to generate a relatively thorough description of the shallow groundwater resources. Willis considered that all of the Lipan Flat alluvial sediments were Quaternary in age and assigned them to the Leona Formation. The Willis study represents the starting point for this and all other studies of the Lipan Aquifer.

Lee (1986) published a detailed analysis of the groundwater resources of the Lipan Aquifer. Lee's study utilized basic information from 283 water wells of which 280 provided specific-conductance measurements as a method to determine water quality. Lee used the hydrogeologic model introduced by Willis as a template for assigning the groundwater properties to specific stratigraphic formations. Lee generally confirms the previous work performed by Willis and additionally concludes that continued growth in groundwater demand could create declines in water levels of the Lipan Aquifer.

Richter and others (1990) performed a detailed study to determine the sources of salinization in the Concho River watershed. They made extensive use of water samples taken from water wells, oil wells, and test borings. Water samples from this report that could be accurately located spatially and vertically were loaded into the BRACS Database and used in this study. They concluded that the major sources of high salinity in the Lipan Aquifer are brines from deeper Permian formations discharging into shallow aquifer units.

LBG-Guyton Associates (2003; 2004; 2005; 2008) and Freese and Nichols (2006) prepared a series of reports on the availability of brackish groundwater for the TWDB. The first of these, published in 2003, was a statewide analysis designed to be a regional planning tool that briefly mentioned the Lipan Aquifer. In 2004, an evaluation of the brackish groundwater resources for the Region F Regional Water Planning Group estimated that 1.25 million acre-feet of groundwater is available in the Lipan Aquifer. The 2005 report focused specifically on evaluating the Triassic and Permian brackish groundwater resources near the city of San Angelo and was included in its entirety in the 2006 report as appendix B. The 2006 report was written as an initial feasibility assessment in preparation for drilling and possibly developing a brackish groundwater well field close to the city of San Angelo.

LGB-Guyton's report in 2008 details the results of a three-well drilling program designed to find potential sources of brackish groundwater in proximity to the city of San Angelo. Although some valuable data was generated during the drilling of these wells, the project did not manage to identify a significant source of brackish groundwater capable of supporting a desalination

plant. Water quality samples from depths of 615 and 675 feet in one well (BRACS well identification number 51449) had total dissolved solids concentrations of 7,040 and 8,140 milligrams per liter, respectively. A deeper sample taken at 903 feet had a total dissolved solids concentration of 65,800 milligrams per liter. We determined that the samples from 615 and 675 feet were actually taken in the San Angelo Formation rather than the Clear Fork Group as stated in the report. The sample from 903 feet was obtained from the Clear Fork Group. They performed a well test in the interval of 505 to 687 feet that yielded (1) a water quality sample with a total dissolved solids concentration of 3,990 milligrams per liter, (2) a maximum sustained well yield of 45 gallons per minute, and (3) a transmissivity of 200 gallons per day per foot. The report provided no explanation for the relatively low total dissolved solids concentration measured during the well test.

Additionally, LBG-Guyton Associates (2004) constructed a groundwater availability model for the Lipan Aquifer. The groundwater availability model used a single 400-foot-thick layer to simulate and model groundwater flow. The model is intended to be used for regional planning purposes and cannot be applied to individual wells or localized areas.

The Bureau of Economic Geology has published a comprehensive set of geologic map sheets at a scale of 1:250,000. Four of these map sheets include portions of the study area: (1) Big Spring (Eifler and others, 1974), (2) Brownwood (Kier and others, 1976), (3) San Angelo (Eifler, 1976), and (4) Sonora (McKalips and others, 1981). The digitized version of these maps created by the U.S. Geological Survey, in cooperation with the Texas Natural Resources Information System in 2007 (TWDB, 2007a), were used to generate the surface geology map.

6. Data collection and analysis

One of the primary objectives of the study is to gather available well data from existing water well reports, geophysical well logs, water chemistry samples, and aquifer tests. This information augments existing well information contained in the TWDB Groundwater Database (TWDB, 2016b). No single agency has complete information on all water wells or oil and gas wells in Texas. Therefore, a number of existing collections that contain publicly available paper and digital information were evaluated. Because many of the datasets and analysis features did not fit into the structure of the existing TWDB Groundwater Database, the information was loaded into the BRACS Database. Each well that was added to the BRACS Database shows the source of the information and all applicable well identification numbers.

Another equally important objective is to make the information and datasets gathered for the study readily available to the public. Thus, all of the information collected is non-confidential. The information includes raw data such as water well reports and digital geophysical well logs in numerous digital formats, processed data such as lithology, simplified lithologic descriptions, stratigraphic picks, water chemistry, and interpreted results in the form of GIS datasets.

With these goals in mind, we collected well data from several sources:

- Abilene Geological Society
- Bureau of Economic Geology Geophysical Log Facility
- Bureau of Economic Geology Report of Investigations 19 (Richter and others, 1990),
- Texas Commission on Environmental Quality water well image files and public drinking water files
- Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation Submitted Driller's Report Database
- Railroad Commission of Texas paper and digital geophysical well logs and the Underground Injection Control Database
- Texas Water Development Board Groundwater Database, BRACS Database, paper well reports, paper geophysical log collection, groundwater availability model studies, and written reports
- U.S. Geological Survey geophysical well logs

A total of 6,995 well records were collected within the study area, which included 5,520 water wells (Figure 6-1), 1,316 oil and/or gas wells (Figure 6-2), and 159 other types of wells (Figure 6-3). We appended information from 4,681 wells to the BRACS Database (Table 6-1). Of these well records, 394 have a state well number and 530 have Q-logs from the Groundwater Advisory Unit of the Railroad Commission of Texas, which were also added to the geophysical well log collection. An additional 2,314 well records are present in the TWDB Groundwater Database.

Table 6-1. Sources of BRACS Database well control data. Source names correspond to the field name SOURCE_WELL_DATA in the table called tblWell_Location in the BRACS Database.

| Source of data | Sample count |
|--|--------------|
| Abilene Geological Society published report | 7 |
| BEG paper/digital geophysical logs | 568 |
| BEG Report of Investigations 191 | 68 |
| LBG Brackish GW for San Angelo study | 3 |
| LBG Lipan GAM study well data | 1,838 |
| RRC digital geophysical logs | 75 |
| RRC GAU Q-log paper/digital geophysical logs | 530 |
| TCEQ PWS water wells | 14 |
| TCEQ water well images | 2 |
| TDLR digital water well reports | 1,208 |
| TWDB aquifer test information | 2 |
| TWDB geophysical logs | 48 |
| TWDB Groundwater Database | 286 |
| TWDB published reports | 19 |
| USGS geophysical logs | 13 |

Notes: BEG = Bureau of Economic Geology; GAM = groundwater availability model; GAU = Groundwater Advisory Unit; GW = groundwater; LBG = LBG-Guyton Associates; PWS = public water supply; RRC = Railroad Commission of Texas; TCEQ = Texas Commission on Environmental Quality; TDLR = Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation; USGS = U.S. Geological Survey.

This represents only a fraction of all the wells installed in the study area. Information about many other wells was either unavailable, incomplete, limited in scope, of poor quality, confidential, or did not meet the requirements of the study. The additional information mentioned above is available from public and private sources:

- TWDB Groundwater Database for additional water quality data
- Submitted Driller’s Report Database for well reports newer than 2001
- Water Well Report Viewer of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality for well reports older than 2001
- Railroad Commission of Texas for digital geophysical well logs
- Bureau of Economic Geology for paper and digital geophysical well logs and miscellaneous records
- Lipan-Kickapoo Water Conservation District for well records

We did not verify the location of every well that was obtained from other agency datasets unless there appeared to be a problem, such as a mismatch in the geology. When locations had to be verified or digital locations were not available, the GIS files of the Original Texas Land Survey and linen maps from the Groundwater Advisory Unit of the Railroad Commission of Texas were used as a base map. The location legal description noted on the log header was used to plot the

wells in GIS to determine the latitude and longitude coordinates. Users of our study data should be aware that well locations may need verification. Because the TWDB Groundwater Database and the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation Submitted Driller's Report Database are updated on a daily basis, users should also be aware that in the future there may be information available in these databases in addition to that present in the BRACS Database.

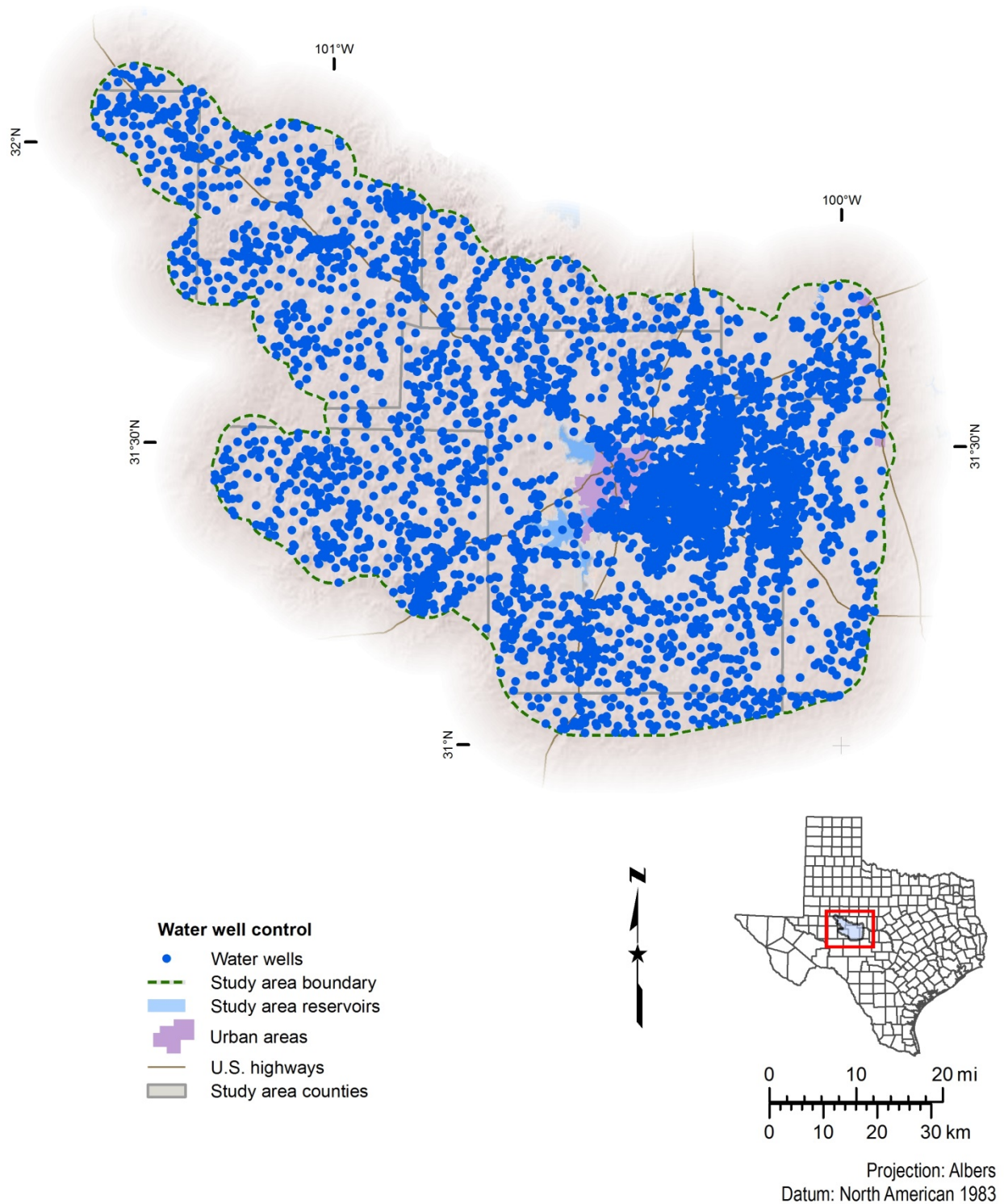


Figure 6-1. Water well control in the Lipan Aquifer study area. The water well control consists of 5,520 wells; 3,296 have been assigned a well identification number in the TWDB BRACS Database; 2,558 wells have been assigned a state well number in the TWDB Groundwater Database; and 334 have assigned well identifiers in both databases.

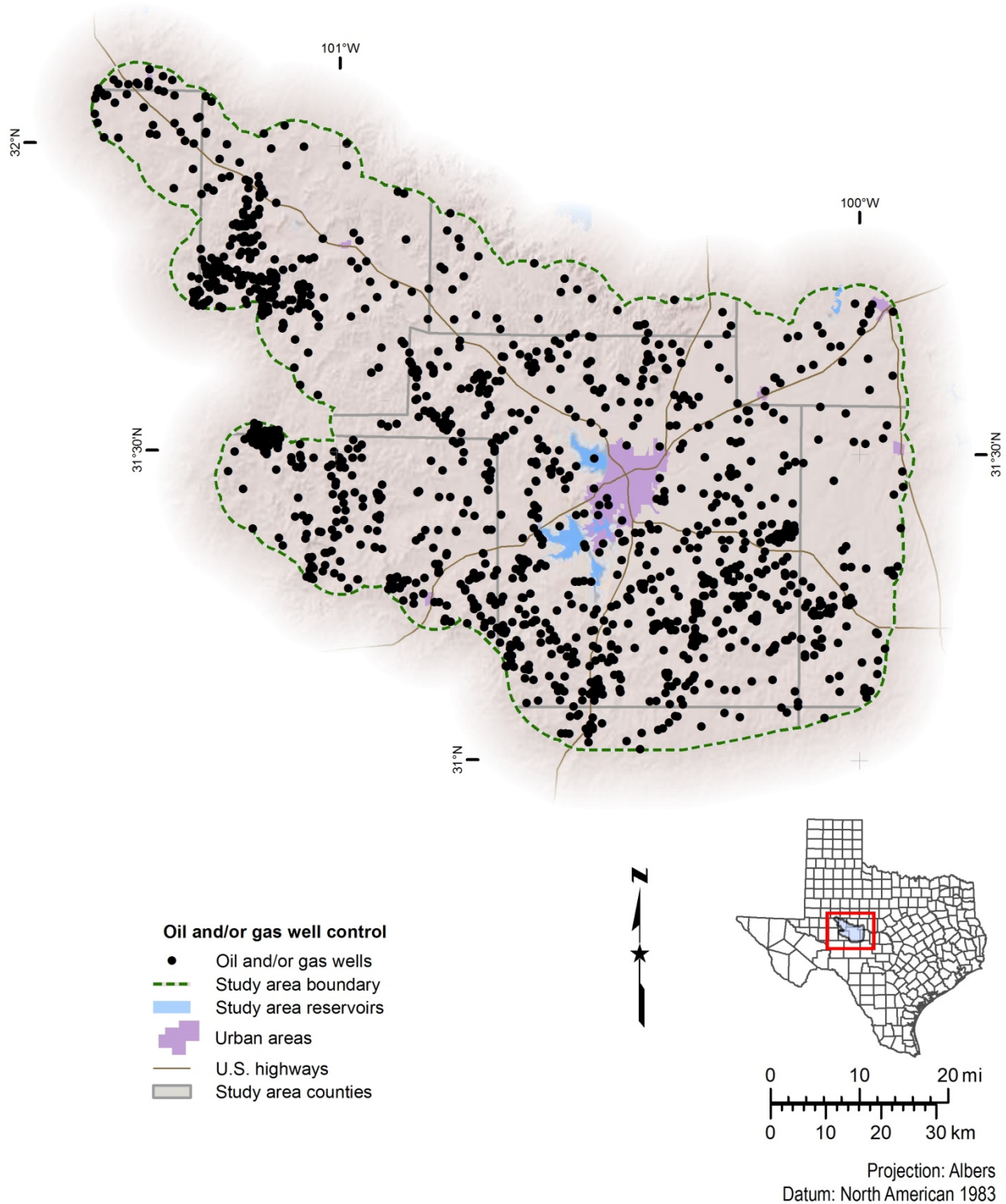


Figure 6-2. Oil and/or gas well control in the Lipan Aquifer study area. The oil and/or gas well control consists of 1,316 wells; 1,226 have been assigned a well identification number in the TWDB BRACS Database; 134 wells have been assigned a state well number in the TWDB Groundwater Database; and 44 have assigned well identifiers in both databases.

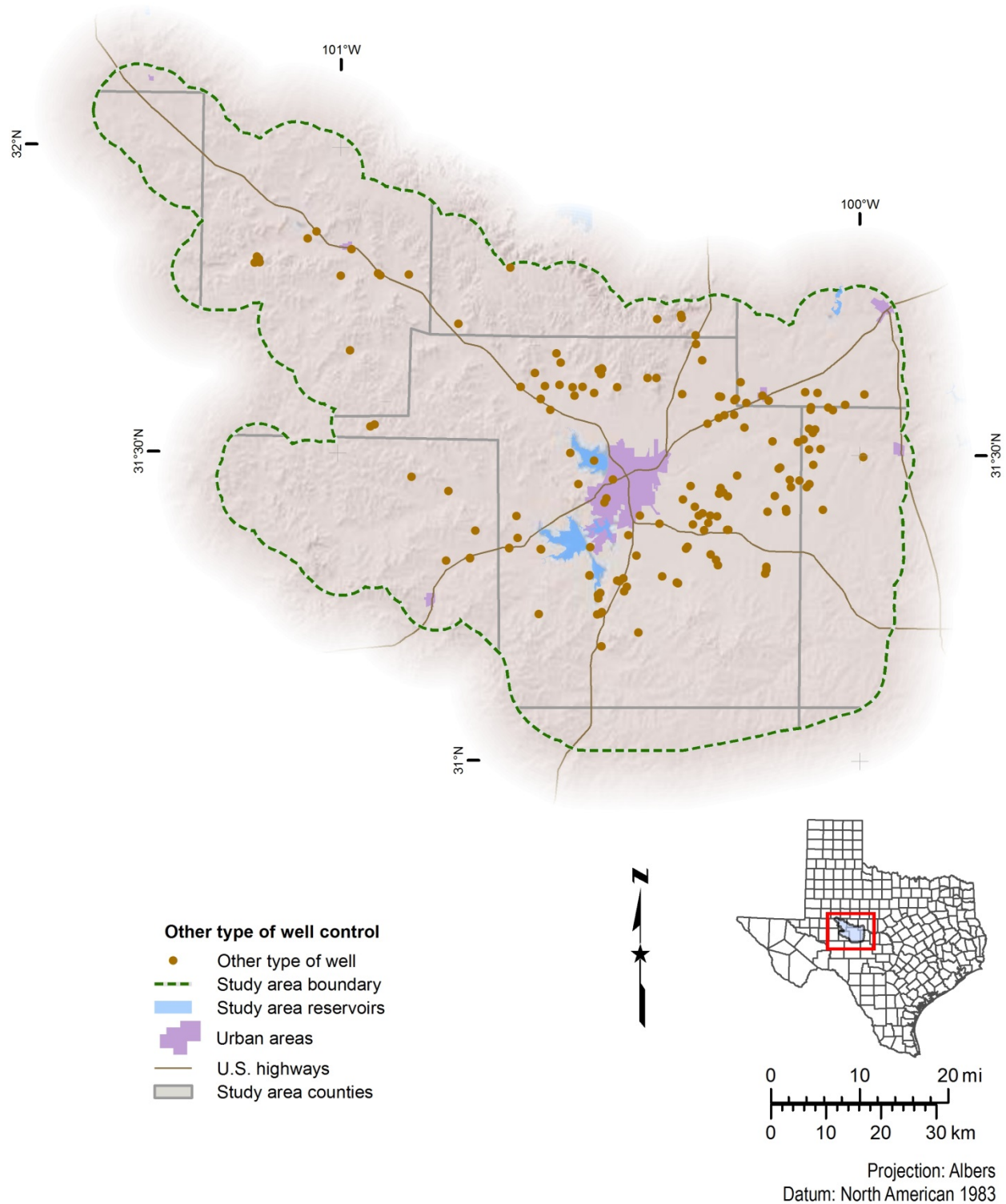


Figure 6-3. Well control identified as other in the Lipan Aquifer study area. The other type of well control consists of observation, test, geothermal, and other uses. There are 159 wells of this type in the study area. All have assigned well identification numbers in the TWDB BRACS Database.

7. Hydrogeology

The geology of the study area is unique and provides a fascinating picture of the geologic history of this portion of Central Texas. The study area is located upon the Eastern Shelf of the Permian Basin of Texas and encompasses a large portion of the Concho River Basin and its tributaries. The study area is centered in the Lipan Flat region located in Tom Green and western Concho counties but extends into portions of Coke, Glasscock, Irion, Runnels, and Schleicher counties. The oldest rocks evaluated in this study belong to the Lueders Formation from the Leonardian Stage of North America and are assigned to the middle to lower Permian. The youngest rocks are the recent Holocene and Pleistocene deposits that blanket the Concho River valley, the Lipan Flat, and the surrounding hillsides (Figure 7-1 and Table 7-1).

Within the study area, groundwater is produced from the Quaternary and Neogene sediments, Triassic Dockum Group, Cretaceous Trinity Group, and the weathered Permian units that are generally within 200 feet of the ground surface. The Trinity and Dockum aquifers in the study area will be addressed in future TWDB studies and are not discussed as part of this study.

Hydrocarbon production is present throughout the study area, and many of the Permian aquifer units can also be hydrocarbon bearing, for example the San Andres Formation in the Water Valley Field located in northwest Tom Green County. There have also been historical reports of shallow hydrocarbon occurrences that are within 100 feet of the surface west and south of San Angelo (Udden and Phillips, 1911; LGB-Guyton, 2008).

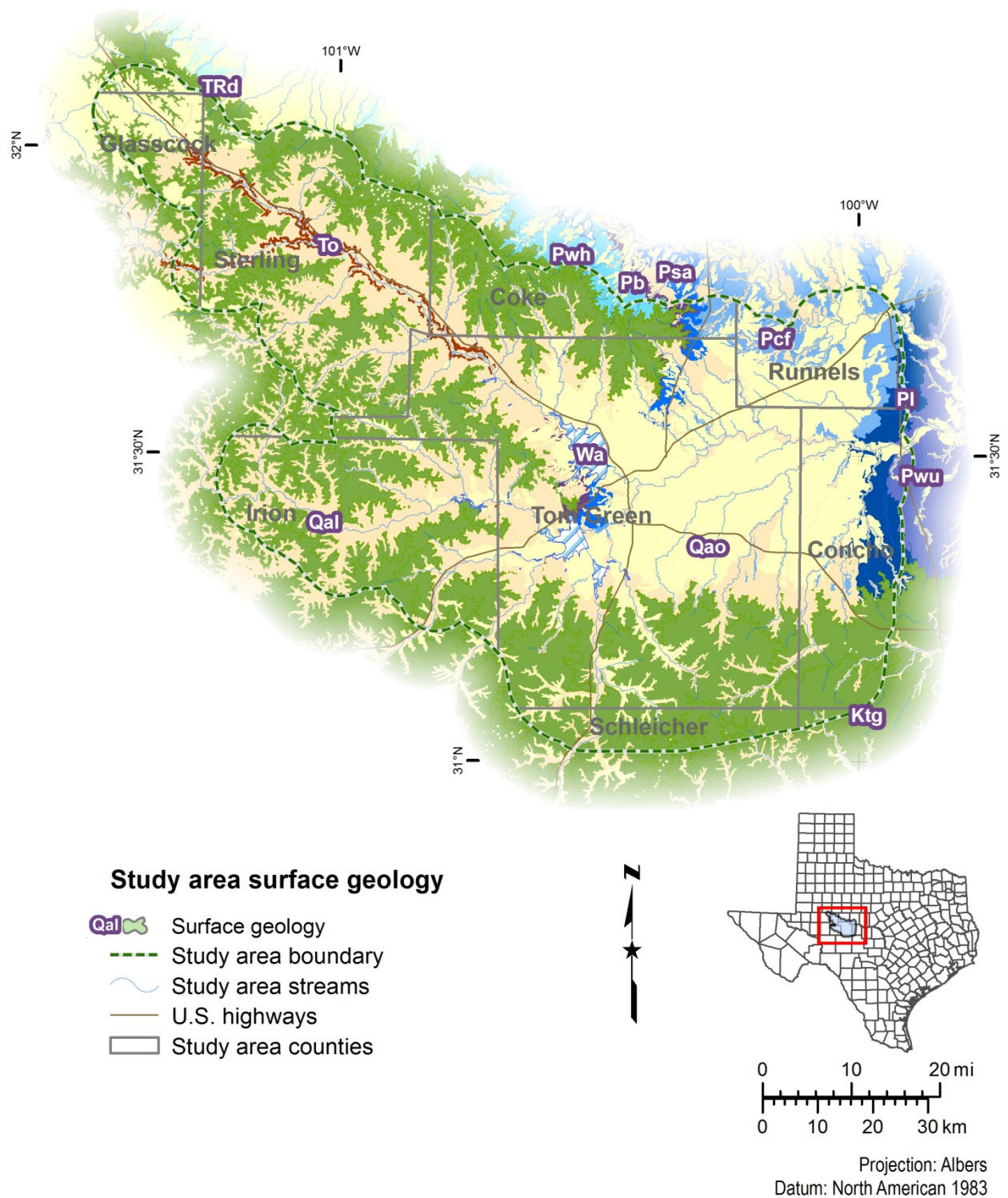


Figure 7-1. Surface geology in the Lipan Aquifer study area. Modified from the TWDB (2007a). The formation labels are defined in Table 7-1.

Table 7-1. Surface geology formation labels and names cross referenced. Labels and names from TWDB (2007a).

| Symbol | Formation label | Formation name |
|---|-----------------|-------------------------------|
|  | Qal | Quaternary alluvium |
|  | Qao | Quaternary deposits |
|  | To | Ogallala Formation |
|  | Ktg | Trinity Group |
|  | TRd | Dockum Group |
|  | Pwh | Whitehorse Group |
|  | Pb | San Andres (Blaine) Formation |
|  | Psa | San Angelo Formation |
|  | Pcf | Clear Fork Group |
|  | Pl | Lueders Formation |
|  | Pwu | Wichita undivided |
|  | Wa | Water |

7.1 Structure

The study area is located on a structural feature known as the Eastern Shelf, which is an extensive paleo-high that forms the eastern limit of the Midland Basin (Figure 7.1-1). The Eastern Shelf existed throughout the Permian Period and was an area of fluvial and shallow marine deposition as sediments from the eastern land mass were transported into the Midland Basin.

The Permian Basin is a broad structural low formed prior to the Middle Pennsylvanian Period approximately 300 million years before present. During periods of major sea level regressions, there were episodes of erosion and non-deposition which resulted in the creation of several major unconformities that exist between the formations from the (1) Permian and Triassic, (2) Triassic and Cretaceous, and (3) Cretaceous and Neogene (Tertiary) time periods.

We found that the Permian units dip from east to west across the study area. The oldest Permian formation studied was the Lueders Formation, which dips at an approximate rate of 57 feet per mile in the study area. The Clear Fork Group dips at a rate of 45 feet per mile in the study area. The Pease River Group dips at a rate of approximately 35 feet per mile in the study area. The Whitehorse Group dips at a rate of approximately 25 feet per mile in the study area. The Ochoan Series dips at a rate of 10 feet per mile in the study area. The surface upon which the Trinity Group was deposited (that also represents the top of the Dockum Group in places) dips towards the southeast at a rate of approximately 8 feet per mile in the study area.

We did not identify any large-scale faulting within the study area, although deformation and faulting of the Permian and Triassic formations during the Laramide Orogeny undoubtedly occurred. Extensional tectonics during the Cenozoic caused localized fault displacements and fracturing that is evidenced in study area outcrops.

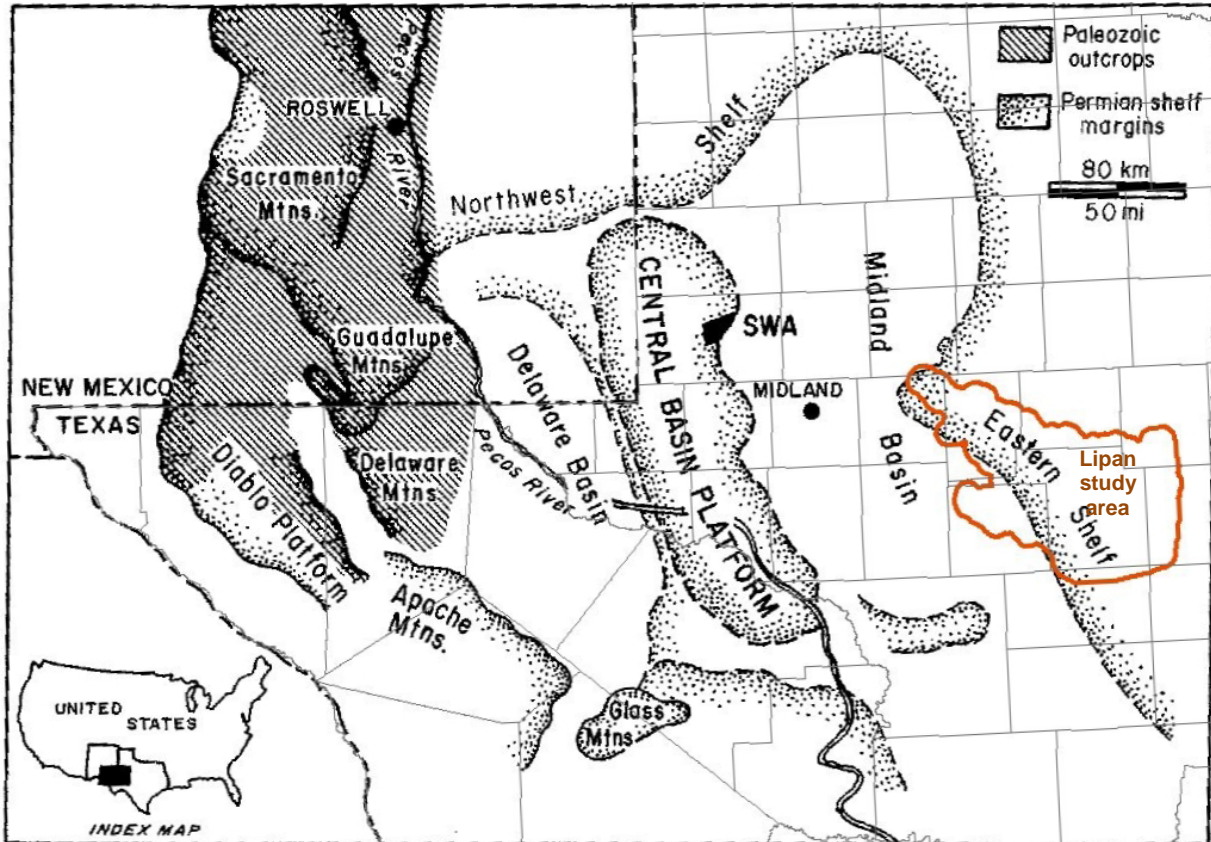


Figure 7.1-1. Structural provinces of the Permian Basin (modified from Stueber and others, 1998). The Lipan Aquifer study area is outlined in brown.

7.2 Stratigraphy

We correlated 1,549 geophysical well logs and water well reports to better understand the distribution of strata capable of containing brackish groundwater beneath the study area. The correlation framework is based upon previously published type logs, cross sections, and studies that used geophysical well logs. The Lueders Formation, which was the oldest unit correlated, was found at a depth of over 5,200 feet in Glasscock County along the western edge of the study area and outcrops in Concho County along the eastern edge of the study area. The youngest stratigraphic unit correlated is the Quaternary and Neogene sediments, which overlies all other geological units in the study area and has a total thickness of up to 150 feet.

The study area is extensive and stretches over 110 miles from northwest to southeast and 60 miles from northeast to southwest. Additionally, the study area overlies Permian formations that span the transition from the shallow marine to fluvial depositional facies of the Eastern Shelf to the marine slope and shore-face deposits of the Midland Basin. As a result, we faced significant challenges in correlating stratigraphic surfaces across the study area, including (1) changing lithology, (2) changes in unit thickness, and (3) limited data control. This was a significant issue primarily for the Lueders Formation, Clear Fork Group, San Angelo Formation, and San Andres Formation, which have the furthest easternmost extents. Permian formations of the Whitehorse Group and younger units are relatively consistent in terms of stratigraphic character within the study area (Figure 7.2-1).

| Geologic period | Epoch and age (millions of years before present) | Regional series | Geologic group | Stratigraphic unit | |
|---------------------|--|-----------------|------------------|---|--|
| | | | | Midland Basin | Eastern Shelf |
| Quaternary | Holocene (0.01-present) | | | alluvium | alluvium |
| | Pleistocene (2.6-0.01) | | | Pleistocene | Leona |
| Neogene (Tertiary) | Pliocene (5.33-2.6) | | | Pliocene | Ogallala |
| Cretaceous | Early (145.0-100.5) | Comanchean | Fredericksburg | Fredericksburg | <i>unconformity</i> Edwards Limestone Fort Terrett Antlers Sand |
| | | | Trinity | Trinity Sand | <i>unconformity</i> |
| Triassic | Upper (237.0-201.3) | | Dockum | Dockum | Dockum |
| Permian | Lopingian (260-252) | Ochoan | | Dewey Lake Rustler Salado Castille | Dewey Lake Rustler Salado |
| | | | | | <i>unconformity</i> |
| | Guadalupian (272-260) | Guadalupian | Whitehorse | Tansill Yates Seven Rivers Queen Grayburg | Tansill Yates Seven Rivers Queen Grayburg |
| | | | Pease River | San Andres | San Andres (Blaine) San Angelo |
| | | | | | <i>unconformity</i> |
| | Cisuralian (299-272) | Leonardian | Clear Fork | Clear Fork <i>undifferentiated</i> | Chozo |
| Vale | | | | | Bullwagon Dolomite Vale shale |
| | | | | Arroyo | Standpipe Limestone Arroyo |
| | | | Wichita - Albany | Wichita <i>undifferentiated</i> | Lueders |
| Lipan Aquifer units | | | | | |

Figure 7.2-1. Stratigraphic column of geological units identified within the Lipan Aquifer study area. Geologic epochs and ages are defined by the International Commission on Stratigraphy Chronostratigraphic Chart (modified from Gradstein and others, 2012). Geological units that produce water in the Lipan Aquifer are highlighted.

The majority of the geophysical well logs used were from wells drilled to explore for or produce oil and gas. These logs date from the 1940s to the present and represent a progression of down-hole well logging tool technologies. The earliest geophysical well logs were known as “electric logs” and were based upon the original logging tools first developed by Emil Schlumberger in 1927. These types of logs record the electrical resistivity response from fluid in the rocks to both an induced current and a natural electrical potential. Beginning in the late 1940s, logging tools were introduced that measured the natural gamma radiation of formation rocks as well as their response to a radioactive source. For purposes of stratigraphic correlation during this study the principle well logs used were the gamma ray, spontaneous potential, and deep resistivity.

The correlation process required the use of scanned images of well logs that had been loaded to the BRACS Database. These well logs come from a multitude of sources including the Railroad Commission of Texas and the Bureau of Economic Geology. Correlations were recorded digitally in an ESRI ArcGIS[®] map layer so that they could be displayed as sub-sea elevations posted at the well locations. This process helped avoid data entry errors and allowed for the continuous review of the correlations as they were interpreted.

All recent oil wells and most of the older oil wells set casing to a depth below the base of fresh water in order to protect shallow fresh water aquifers and ensure the stability of the well bore. Depending upon location and prevailing regulations, this casing would generally extend 200 to 500 feet below ground surface. This creates a problem for well logging because electric well logs require an uncased fluid-filled hole for them to properly record the electrical properties of the rocks. This restriction does not apply to the nuclear well logging tools, like the gamma ray log, which are able to record meaningful data virtually to the surface, although consideration must be made for the effects of the casing and annular cement on the amplitude of the recorded values.

We prepared three-dimensional GIS surfaces of the top of the formations in units of feet for (1) below ground surface and (2) elevation referenced to mean sea level. We also prepared isochore maps showing formation thickness (see Appendix 20.1 for all formation surfaces). Examples of stratigraphic picks from geophysical well logs used to determine formation boundaries are shown in Section 8.4.

7.2.1 Permian

Upper Permian formations total 3,600 feet thick within the study area and dip towards the northwest at an average of 50 feet per mile. Permian formations outcrop across the study area except for the western fourth where they are overlain with up to 1,200 feet of Triassic, Cretaceous, and younger geological formations. These outcrops of Permian formations represent some of the most southerly exposures of a broad north-south trending band that stretches across Central Texas. After deposition of the Permian formations, a long period of erosion and non-deposition occurred that lasted until the deposition of the Late Triassic Dockum Group (Hill, 1972). During this long period of subaerial exposure, the Permian formations were leveled off and a zone of alteration and weathering formed. We believe that this altered zone contains increased porosity and permeability, allowing the Permian rocks to act as aquifers in the study area. The Permian subcrop that represents the paleo-outcrop expression of the formations prior to Cretaceous deposition is shown in Figure 7.2-2.

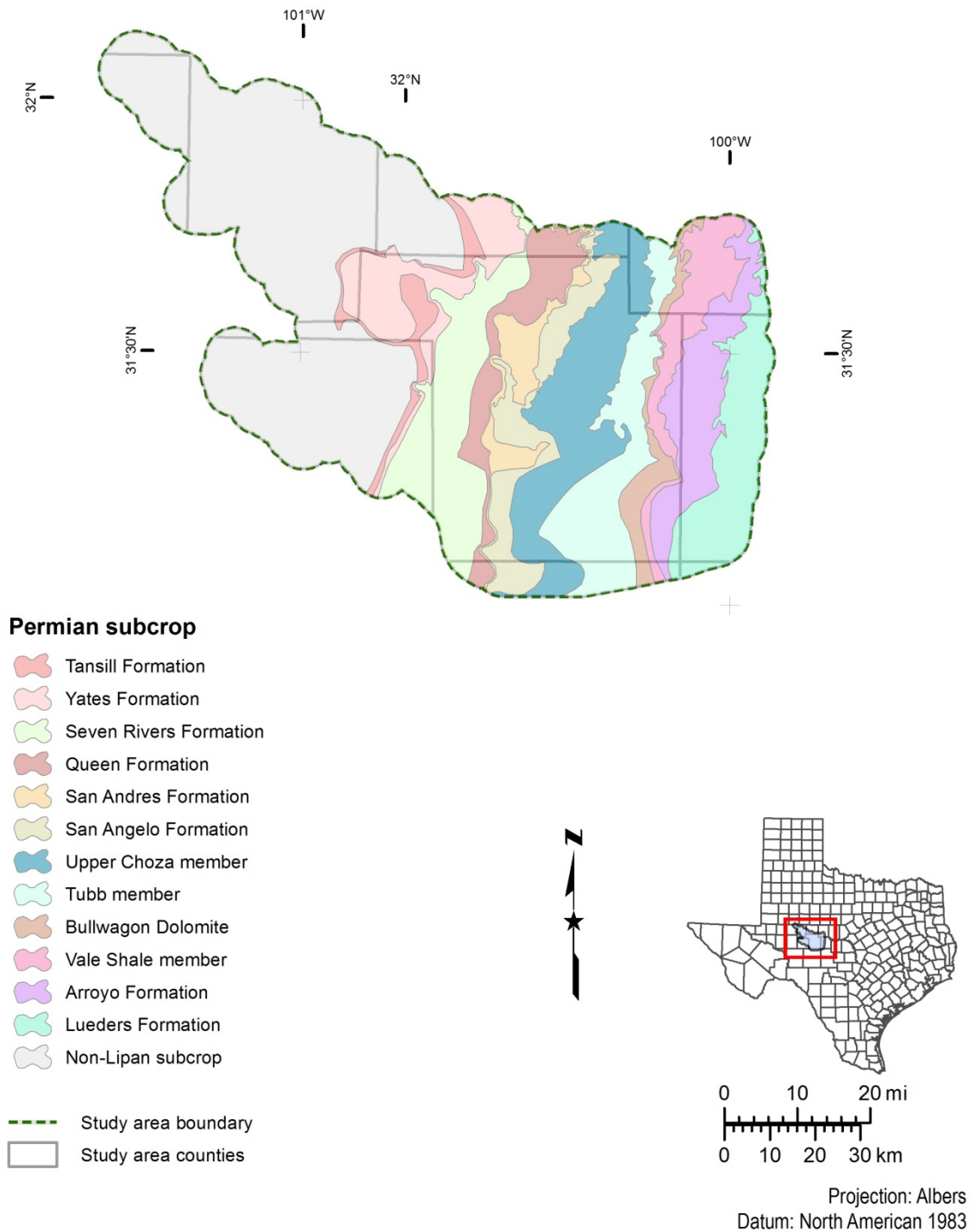


Figure 7.2-2. Permian subcrop in the Lipan study area. Shaded areas indicate where Permian formations either outcrop or subcrop below overlying Quaternary and Neogene sediments or Cretaceous formations. The Grayburg Formation subcrops below the Queen Formation so it is not shown.

Lueders Formation, Wichita-Albany Group

The oldest correlated surface was the top of the Lueders Formation, which outcrops in western Concho County. In north central Texas, the Lueders Limestone (named for a small town on the Clear Fork of the Brazos River in eastern Jones County) has been accepted as the top of the Wichita Division (Wrather, 1917).

The Lueders Formation is thought to have been deposited during a time of relatively high sea-level and is composed of interbedded gray to tan limestone and calcareous mudstone. The Lueders Formation has numerous shallow-marine fossils (Beede and Waite, 1918). The Lueders Formation transitions from predominantly limestone in the east to predominantly shale in the west. This transition reflects a facies change from nearshore shallow water deposition on the Eastern Shelf to a slope and basinal depositional environment in the west. In Concho County groundwater has been produced from the Lueders Formation with higher volumes and lower salinity from shallow wells that are in close proximity to the Concho River.

Arroyo Formation, Clear Fork Group

The base of the Clear Fork Group is represented by the Arroyo Formation, which is composed of limestone, dolomite, and shale. The uppermost member of the Arroyo Formation in the eastern portion of the study area is the Standpipe Limestone, which outcrops in Runnels County just north of the study area. The Standpipe Limestone is a 10- to 15-foot thick tan to light-gray marly limestone (Sellards, 1932) that is not continuous across the study area and not separated from the Arroyo Formation in this study. The Arroyo Formation changes dramatically from east to west across the study area from predominantly limestone in the east to predominantly shale in the west. This transition reflects a facies change from nearshore shallow water deposition on the Eastern Shelf to a slope and basinal environment in the west. The overall thickness of the Arroyo Formation also changes dramatically across the study area from 250 feet in western Concho County to just over 1,000 feet in Irion County. Shallow wells have produced small to moderate quantities of slightly saline water from this formation.

Vale Shale member, Vale Formation, Clear Fork Group

We have divided the Vale Formation of the Clear Fork Group into two units because of their distinctly different lithologic properties: (1) the Bullwagon Dolomite and (2) the Vale Shale member. The Vale Shale member is defined as that portion of the Vale Formation from the base of the Bullwagon Dolomite to the top of the Arroyo Formation. The Vale Shale member is composed predominantly of reddish silty shale, shale, and minor carbonate beds. It has been locally referred to as the “big red” and is generally too fine-grained to be a significant source of water (Willis, 1954). The Vale Shale member maintains a fairly constant thickness of 100 to 200 feet throughout the study area.

Bullwagon Dolomite, Vale Formation, Clear Fork Group

The Bullwagon Dolomite is formally a part of the Vale Formation but will be discussed as a unique stratigraphic unit in this study. The Bullwagon Dolomite is composed of two distinct massive dolomite strata separated by a shale parting and takes its name from Bullwagon Creek in Taylor County (Wrather, 1917). The Bullwagon Dolomite is 50 to 90 feet thick and has been previously identified as a water-bearing interval (Willis, 1954). The significant level of

fracturing in the Bullwagon Dolomite and potential for dissolution of calcareous material adjacent to the fractures as it weathers has increased the porosity and permeability of this unit and enhanced its aquifer characteristics. We determined that this weathering process has had a significant impact on those portions of the formation within about 300 feet of the ground surface.

Tubb member, Choza Formation, Clear Fork Group

We determined that the lower portion of the Choza Formation of the Clear Fork Group represented a significant depositional unit separated by a distinct correlative surface. The informal stratigraphic name of Tubb (Muzzullo, 1982; Ruppel and Ward, 2013) was used to identify this distinct Choza Formation member. The Tubb member is identified by a regional flooding event that resulted in a 20- to 50-foot shaly interval whose base marks the top of the Tubb member. Much of the rest of the Tubb member is similar to the overlying Upper Choza member and is composed of alternating fine-grained silty-sand, shale, and dolomitic limestone. Shallow wells have produced significant quantities of slightly saline water from this formation.

Upper Choza member, Choza Formation, Clear Fork Group

The Choza Formation is the upper unit of the Clear Fork Group. It is composed of silty red shale and dolomitic limestone beds deposited during a time when the area was submerged due to a sea level transgression. The shale and dolomitic beds are thin and highly interbedded (Beede and Bentley, 1918; Ruppel and Ward, 2013) indicating shallow marine carbonate shelf deposition. We have separated the Choza Formation into the Upper Choza member and the underlying Tubb member in order to determine if their aquifer properties differ significantly. The Upper Choza member is 200 to 500 feet thick within the study area. Shallow wells in the Upper Choza member produce water ranging from slightly to moderately saline.

San Angelo Formation, Pease River Group

The San Angelo Formation unconformably overlies the Clear Fork Group and is composed of sandstone, shale, and conglomerate within the study area (Sellards, 1932). The San Angelo Formation is 100 to 400 feet thick in the study area and outcrops within the City of San Angelo. A 10- to 20-foot thick basal conglomerate produces highly mineralized groundwater with total dissolved solids of 800 to 52,000 parts per million in limited quantities (Willis, 1954). Water quality samples collected in wells used by this study found the range of total dissolved solids to be 673 to 8,140 milligrams per liter.

San Andres Formation, Pease River Group

The San Andres Formation is composed of more than 400 feet of interbedded dolomitic sand, shale, anhydrite, gypsum, and halite. The sedimentary character of the San Andres Formation is indicative of an evaporite shelf deposit with high-frequency cyclical-deposition of beds indicating a shallow marine environment. This formation does not produce significant quantities of groundwater in the study area.

Grayburg Formation, Whitehorse Group

The Grayburg Formation forms a wedge of fine-grained sandstone interbedded with shale, anhydrite, dolomite, and thin beds of halite. The Grayburg Formation has a total thickness of

more than 500 feet in the far western edge of the study area. This formation does not produce significant quantities of groundwater in the study area.

Queen Formation, Whitehorse Group

The Queen Formation is composed of fine-grained sandstone, siltstone, shale, and silty anhydrite. This formation is present in the western half of the study area and is 100 to 150 feet thick. The Queen Formation may be capable of producing small quantities of saline water within the study area from the fine-grained sandstones and siltstones.

Seven Rivers Formation, Whitehorse Group

The Seven Rivers Formation is 100 to 400 feet thick within the study area. The upper 10 to 20 feet of the Seven Rivers Formation is an anhydrite unit that can be easily identified on most geophysical well logs and represents a significant regional correlation. This unit is composed of fine-grained sandstone, shale, and anhydrite. This formation has produced small quantities of fresh to moderately saline groundwater within the study area.

Yates Formation, Whitehorse Group

Two significant anhydrite beds bracket the Yates Formation, which is generally 100 to 150 feet thick within the study area. The Yates Formation is composed of red, fine-grained, sandstone beds with thin layers of shale and limestone interspersed (Mear, 1963). The fine-grained sand beds have produced small amounts of moderately saline water from shallow wells within the study area.

Tansill Formation, Whitehorse Group

In the study area, the Tansill Formation is an anhydrite interval almost 75 feet thick. Because of its lithology, it can be easily identified in the subsurface on most geophysical well logs. The Tansill Formation does not have significant water-bearing potential in the study area but is an important and useful regional stratigraphic unit for correlation and mapping purposes.

Rustler-Salado formations, Ochoan Series

We have combined both the Rustler and the underlying Salado formations as a single mappable unit. These formations are composed of sandy anhydrite and anhydrite beds that are almost 400 feet thick in the far western portions of the study area. This unit does not have significant water-bearing capabilities in the study area.

Dewey Lake Formation, Ochoan Series

The Dewey Lake Formation consists of silty shale and overlies the Rustler Formation in the western portion of the study area. The Dewey Lake Formation reached a maximum thickness of 200 feet in the study area. The Dewey Lake Formation does not have significant water-bearing potential within the study area.

7.2.2 *Triassic*

The Dockum Group is present in the western portion of the study area and lies unconformably upon the Permian Dewey Lake Formation. The Dockum Group outcrops north and west of the study area but, other than one anomalous outcrop just south of Sterling City, is not exposed in the study area. In the study area, the Dockum Group is composed of the Santa Rosa Sandstone and the underlying Tecovas Shale which are commonly mapped together and designated as the Lower Dockum. The Dockum Group reaches a maximum thickness of 1,100 feet in the western portion of the study area. The Dockum Group is a known aquifer, and its brackish water potential will be addressed in a separate study.

7.2.3 *Cretaceous*

Early Cretaceous limestone, shale, and sandstone of the Edwards and Trinity groups unconformably overlie older units and form abrupt cliffs and canyons south, west, and north of the Lipan Flat that is located in the central and eastern sections of Tom Green County. These rocks reach a combined thickness of more than 400 feet and are known to contain fresh water. Four water quality samples in south Tom Green County contained brackish water. However, they are not considered part of the Lipan Aquifer and their brackish water potential will be addressed in future TWDB studies. We believe that cross-formational flow occurs from these Cretaceous formations into the underlying aquifers (Beach and others, 2004).

7.2.4 *Quaternary and Neogene (Tertiary)*

Previous workers have assigned the post-Cretaceous sediments that represent a significant part of the Lipan Aquifer to the Quaternary Leona Formation. The assignment of these deposits to the Leona Formation was done by Willis (1954). The Leona Formation was initially defined by Hill and Vaughn (1889) for Pleistocene terrace deposits in Uvalde and Zavala counties. Henderson (1928) assigned a Pleistocene age to the terrace gravel exposed along the banks of the Concho River because of the presence of two macro fossils found loose in creek beds. Subsequently, Plummer (1932) placed all Texas Pleistocene terraces into the Leona Formation. Willis cites both Plummer and Henderson in his decision to assign the coarse-grained conglomerate and gravel exposed along the Concho River to the Leona Formation.

Descriptions of the Pleistocene terrace deposits by Hill and Vaughn (1889) at the type location for the Leona describe them as "...fine calcareous silt at the surface, and grades downward into coarse gravel." Plummer (1932) states that the Leona Formation is composed of red to reddish-gray silt and fine gravel. The coarse-grained terrace deposits in Tom Green County are markedly different. Henderson (1928) describes them as coarse conglomerates cemented with hard, sandy, siliceous-calcareous cement. Additionally, neither Henderson (1928) nor any subsequent study presented any definitive fossil evidence that documents a clear Pleistocene age to the conglomerates described.

During the course of this study, hundreds of water well reports from the TWDB Groundwater Database and the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation Submitted Driller's Report Database were reviewed in order to build an accurate map of the thickness of sediment overlying the Permian formations. These drillers' water well reports (Figure 7.2-3) provide a general, non-technical description of the sediment and rock encountered during the drilling of a well. The

descriptions are based upon the cuttings returned to the ground surface during rotary method drilling. We observed numerous descriptions of the sediment in the Lipan Flat where a conglomerate is overlain by a relatively thick “white limestone,” which in turn is overlain by silty sand and clay.

| From (ft) | To (ft) | Description and color of formation material | |
|-----------|---------|---|----------------|
| Super | 3 | Top Soil | |
| 3-8 | | Caliche | Water |
| 8-32 | | Red Clay | |
| 32-60 | | White lime | 72, 90, 100 ft |
| 60-72 | | Conglomerate | |
| 72-88 | | Red Clay | |
| 88-92 | | Yellow lime | 100 ft |
| 92-150 | | Red Clay | |
| 150 | 190 | Blue lime & Shale | |
| 190 | 220 | Gray lime | |

(Use reverse side of Well Owner's copy, if necessary)

Figure 7.2-3. Example of a drillers' water well report (state well number 43-38-515).

We believe that the “white limestone” unit is most likely a mature caliche, defined as a calcareous deposit formed at or near the ground surface that may be a paleosol indicator. The caliche zone is commonly found 10 to 50 feet below ground surface and is 15 to 50 feet thick. An isochore map of the caliche unit is shown in Figure 7.2-4. This thick section of mature caliche is unlikely to have formed during the Pleistocene because there would not be sufficient time for the formation of such a significant thickness of caliche (Seni, 1980).

Frequently, an interval described in drillers' water well reports as a conglomerate or coarse gravel as much as 100 feet thick underlies the caliche layer. The conglomerate unit at the base of the Quaternary and Neogene interval is an important water-bearing unit for the Lipan Aquifer. The thick caliche unit overlying the conglomerate can locally act as a barrier to the vertical downward flow of groundwater, creating shallow perched aquifers. This conclusion is supported by drillers' water well reports that frequently note the presence of water-bearing sediment directly above the caliche unit and then again in the deeper conglomerates.

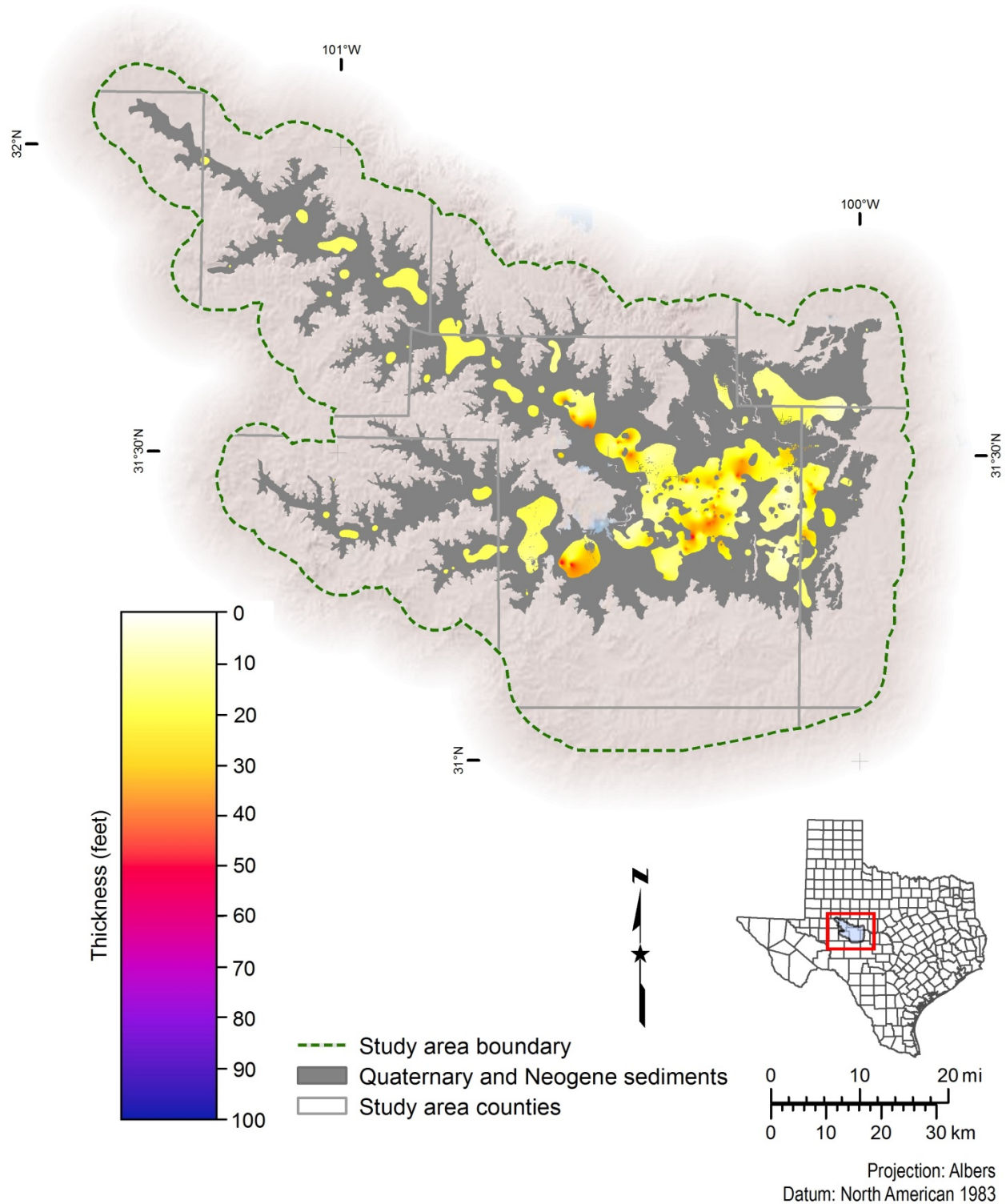


Figure 7.2-4. Isochore map of the caliche zone. Thickness values are in feet. The dark gray area denotes the areal extent of the Quaternary and Neogene sediments.

We believe that the basal 50 to 120 feet of sediment deposited in the Lipan Flat and surrounding areas are most likely Neogene (Late Tertiary) age and possibly time-correlative with the Ogallala Formation. The caliche zone that immediately overlies the basal conglomerate was probably formed during the latest Neogene time period and is equivalent to the caprock commonly associated with the Ogallala Formation. After deposition, the Neogene sediment was eroded by area streams forming canyons and ravines across the Lipan Flat. These depressions were subsequently filled with fine-grained sand, silt, and clay that were eroded from the surrounding Permian and Cretaceous outcrops creating the current geomorphic profile.

We determined that only the upper most alluvial sediments with a maximum thickness of 50 feet were deposited during the Quaternary and should be assigned to the Leona Formation.

7.3 Stratigraphic type logs

A series of type logs were generated (Figure 7.3-1 through Figure 7.3-13) to illustrate the stratigraphic correlations made throughout the study area. Because of the size of the study area and the geologic changes in the geological formations across this distance, two sets of type logs were generated—one for the western and one for the eastern study area. Note that the Trinity and Dockum groups and the Dewey Lake, Rustler, Tansill, and Yates formations are not represented in the eastern type logs because they are present only in the western portion of the study area. A type log may have one or more correlations marked on the geophysical well log depending upon the thickness of the geological formations that are being delineated.

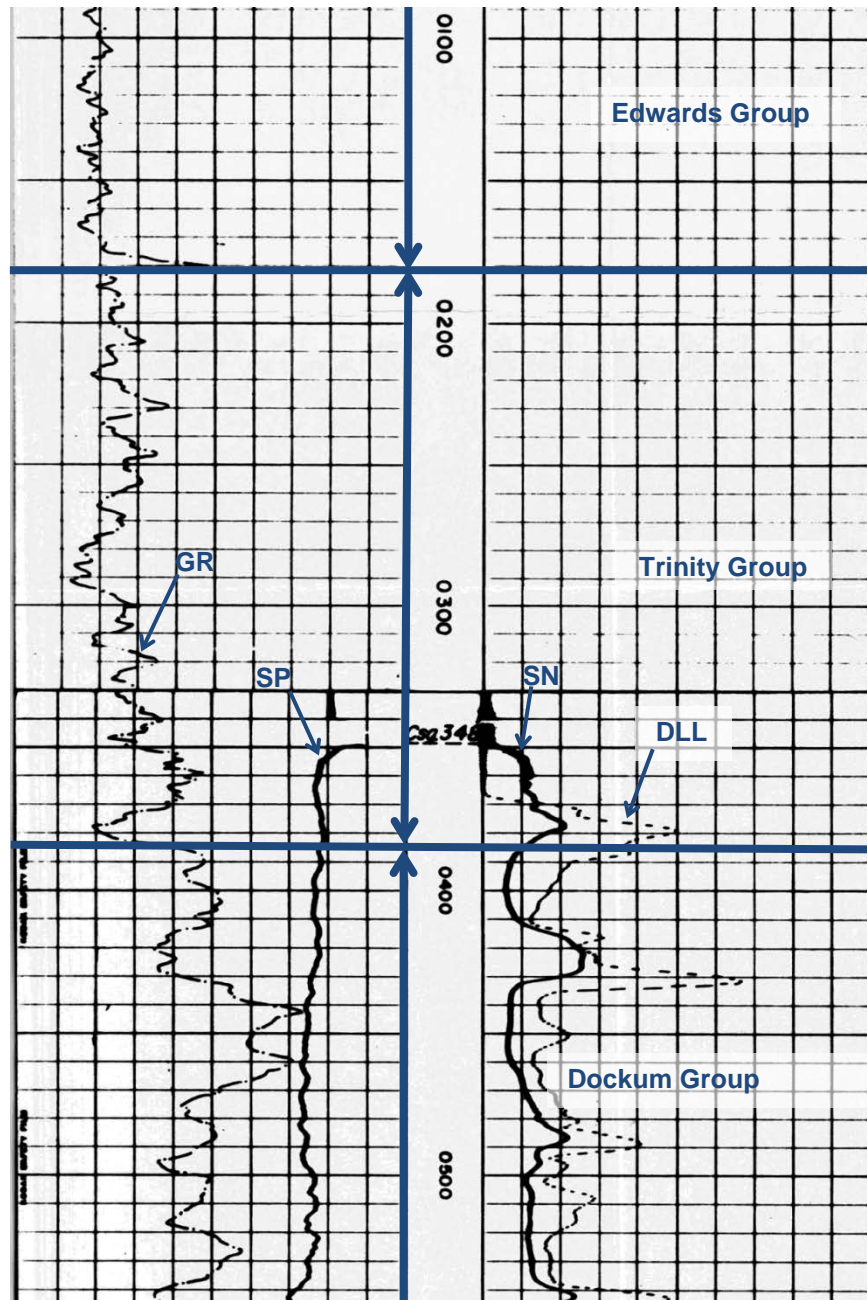


Figure 7.3-1. Western correlations for the Trinity Group and Dockum Group on BRACS Database well identification number 37978. The spontaneous potential and gamma ray tools are shown in the left track, depth (in feet below ground surface) is shown in the middle track, and the normal and deep lateral resistivity tools are shown in the right track. DLL = deep lateral resistivity, GR = gamma ray, SN = short normal resistivity, SP = spontaneous potential.

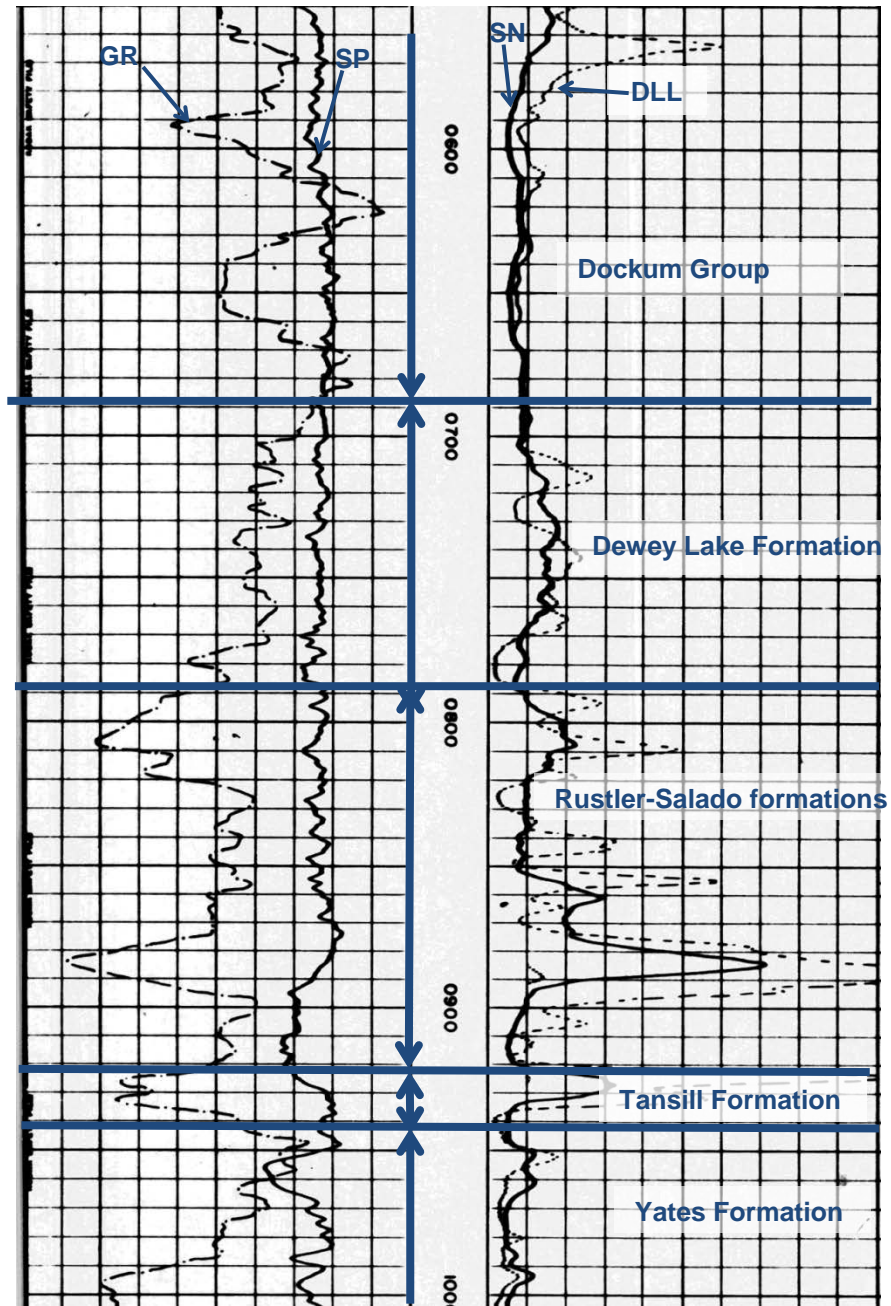


Figure 7.3-2. Western correlations for the Dockum Group, Dewey Lake Formation, Rustler-Salado formations, Tansill Formation, and Yates Formation on BRACS Database well identification number 37978. The spontaneous potential and gamma ray tools are shown in the left track, depth (in feet below ground surface) is shown in the middle track, and the normal and deep lateral resistivity tools are shown in the right track. DLL = deep lateral resistivity, GR = gamma ray, SN = short normal resistivity, SP = spontaneous potential.

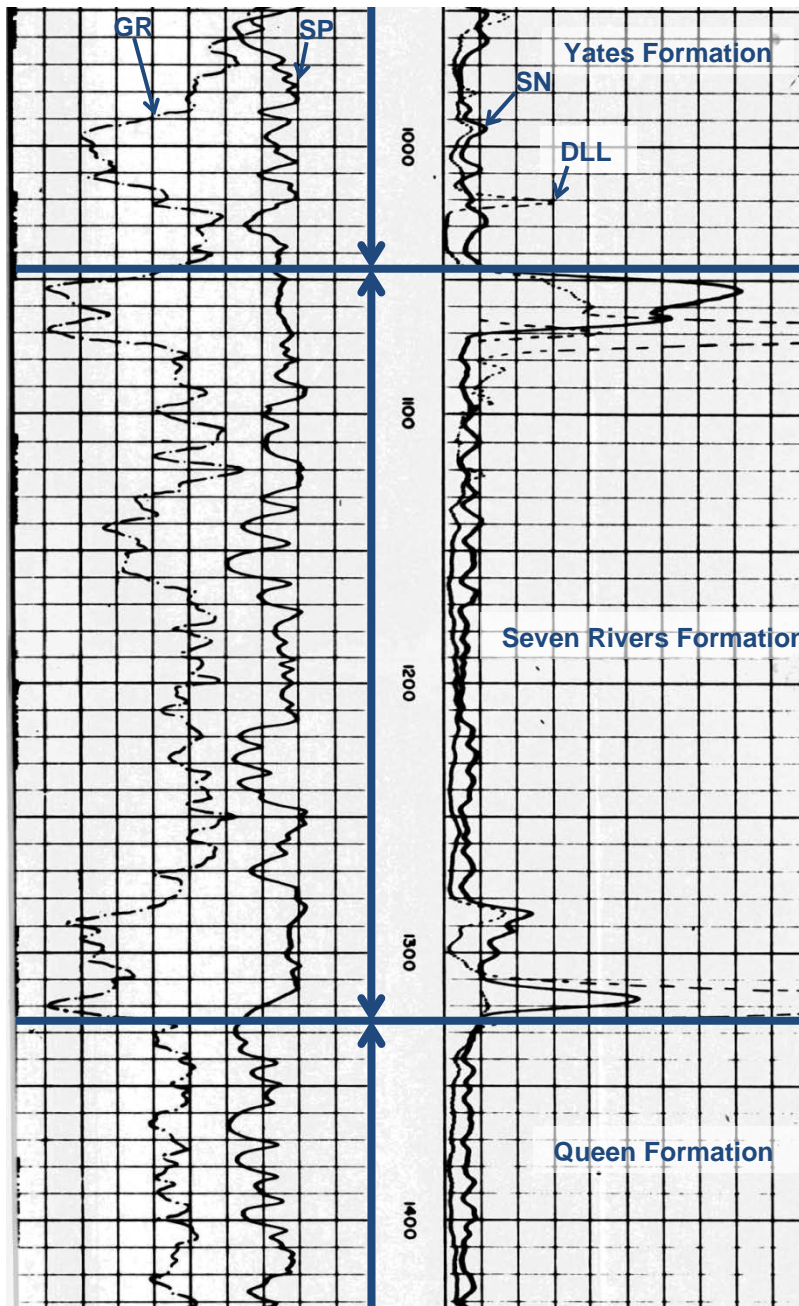


Figure 7.3-3. Western correlations for the Yates Formation, Seven Rivers Formation, and Queen Formation on BRACS Database well identification number 37978. The spontaneous potential and gamma ray tools are shown in the left track, depth (in feet below ground surface) is shown in the middle track, and the normal and deep lateral resistivity tools are shown in the right track. DLL = deep lateral resistivity, GR = gamma ray, SN = short normal resistivity, SP = spontaneous potential.

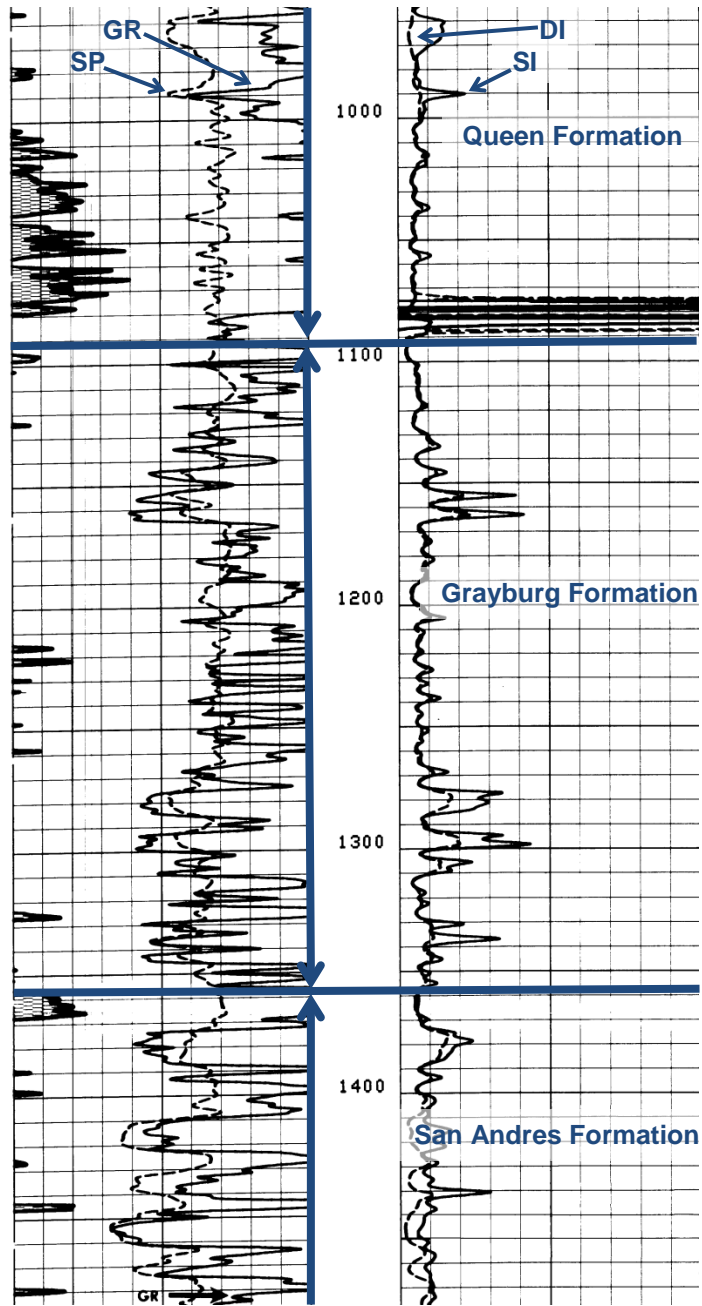


Figure 7.3-4. Western correlations for the Queen Formation, Grayburg Formation, and San Andres Formation on BRACS Database well identification number 35123. The spontaneous potential and gamma ray tools are shown in the left track, depth (in feet below ground surface) is shown in the middle track, and the shallow and deep induction tools are shown in the right track. DI = deep induction, GR = gamma ray, SI = short induction, SP = spontaneous potential.

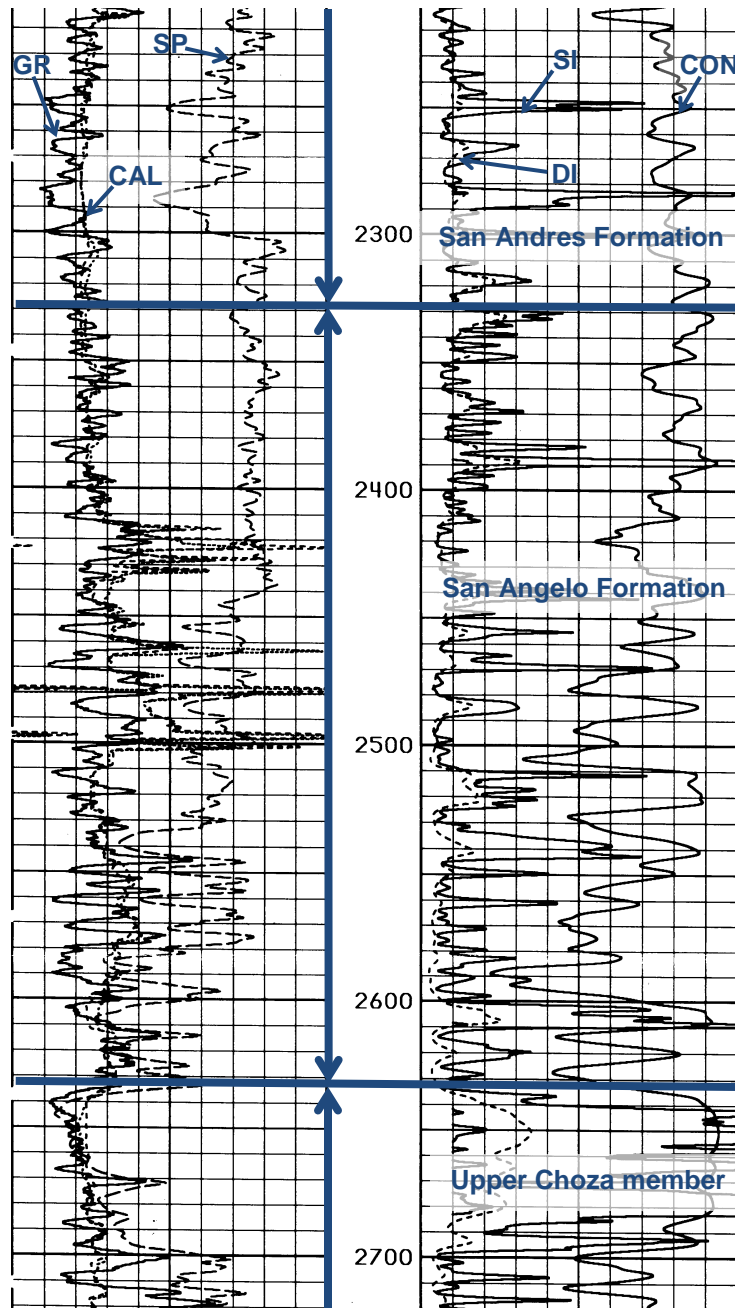


Figure 7.3-5. Western correlations for the San Andres Formation, San Angelo Formation, and Upper Choza member on BRACS Database well identification number 28112. The caliper, spontaneous potential, and gamma ray tools are shown in the left track, depth (in feet below ground surface) is shown in the middle track, and the shallow and deep induction and conductivity tools are shown in the right track. CAL = caliper, CON = conductivity, DI = deep induction, GR = gamma ray, SI = short induction, SP = spontaneous potential.

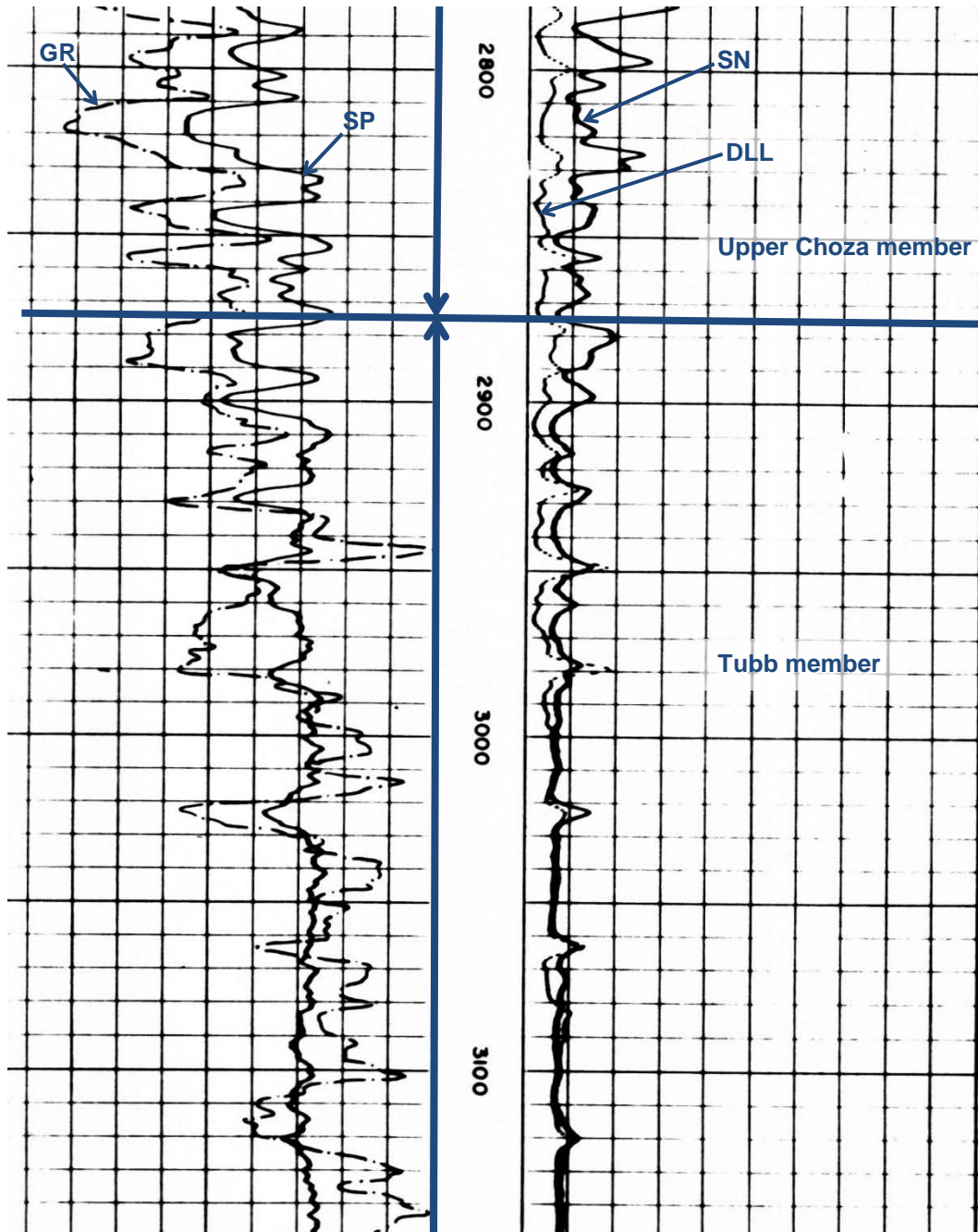


Figure 7.3-6. Western correlations for the Upper Choza member and Tubb member on BRACS Database well identification number 37978. The spontaneous potential and gamma ray tools are shown in the left track, depth (in feet below ground surface) is shown in the middle track, and the normal and deep lateral resistivity tools are shown in the right track. DLL = deep lateral resistivity, GR = gamma ray, SN = short normal resistivity, SP = spontaneous potential.

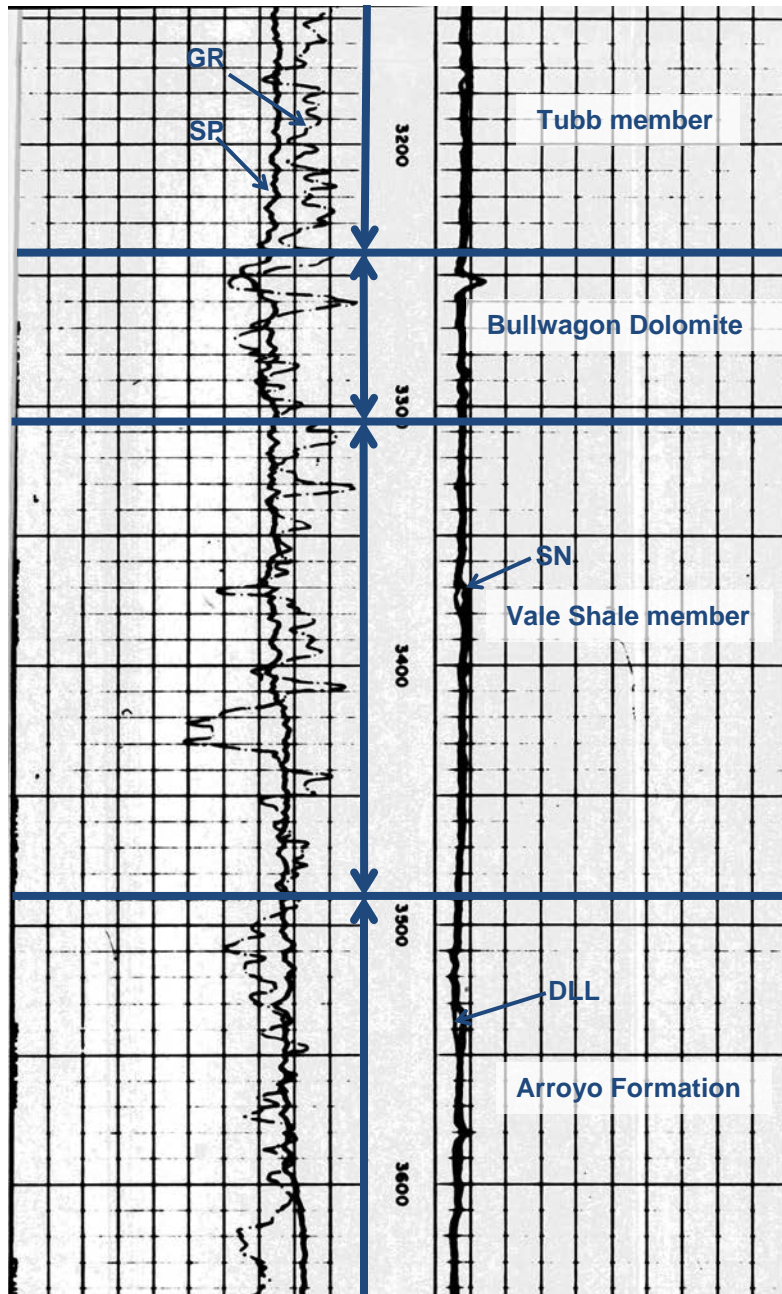


Figure 7.3-7. Western correlations for the Tubb member, Bullwagon Dolomite, Vale Shale member, and Arroyo Formation on BRACS Database well identification number 37978. The spontaneous potential and gamma ray tools are shown in the left track, depth (in feet below ground surface) is shown in the middle track, and the normal and deep lateral resistivity tools are shown in the right track. DLL = deep lateral resistivity, GR = gamma ray, SN = short normal resistivity, SP = spontaneous potential.

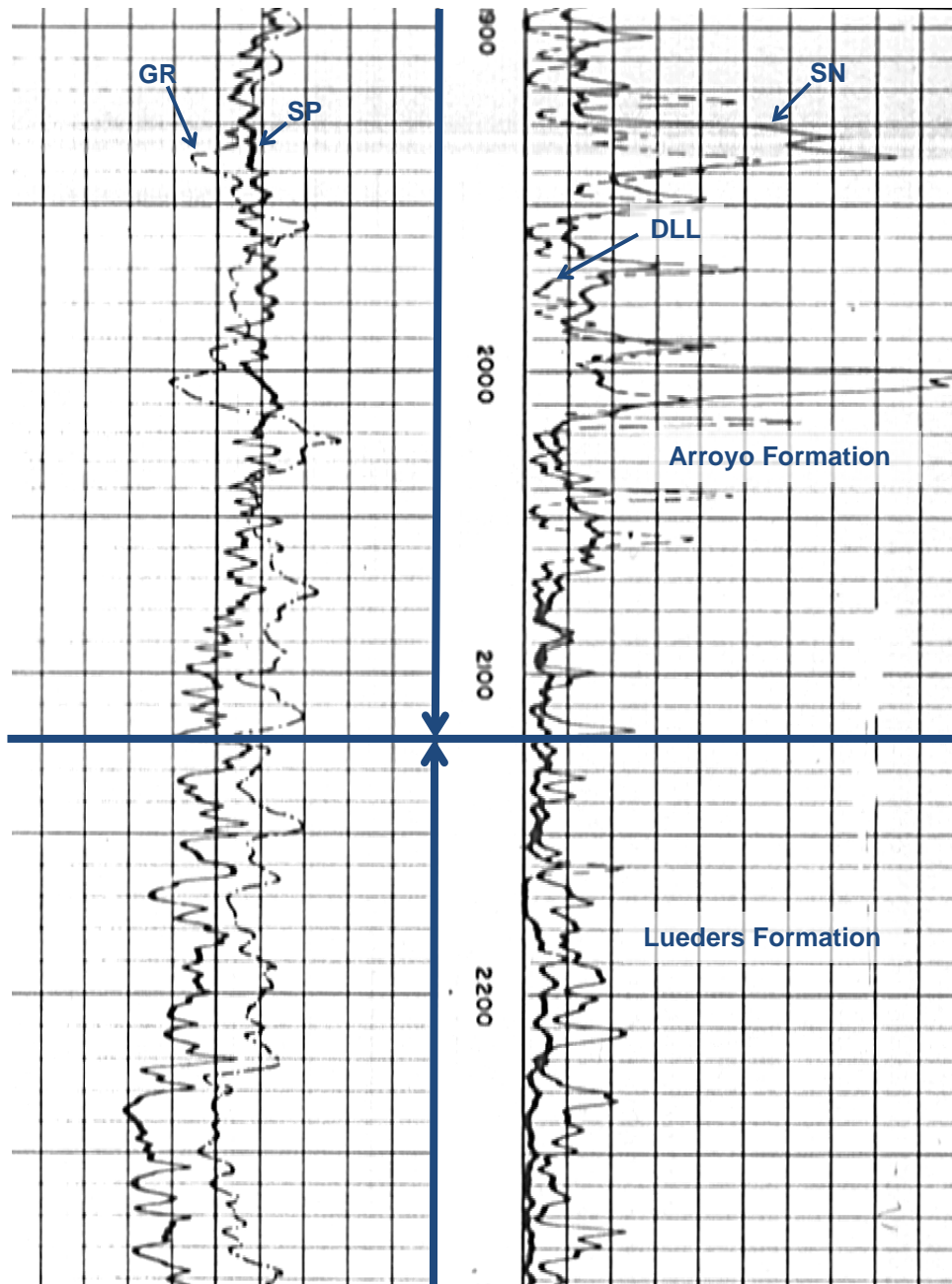


Figure 7.3-8. Western correlations for the Arroyo Formation and Lueders Formation on BRACS Database well identification number 25724. The spontaneous potential and gamma ray tools are shown in the left track, depth (in feet below ground surface) is shown in the middle track, and the normal and deep lateral resistivity tools are shown in the right track. DLL = deep lateral resistivity, GR = gamma ray , SN = short normal resistivity, SP=spontaneous potential.

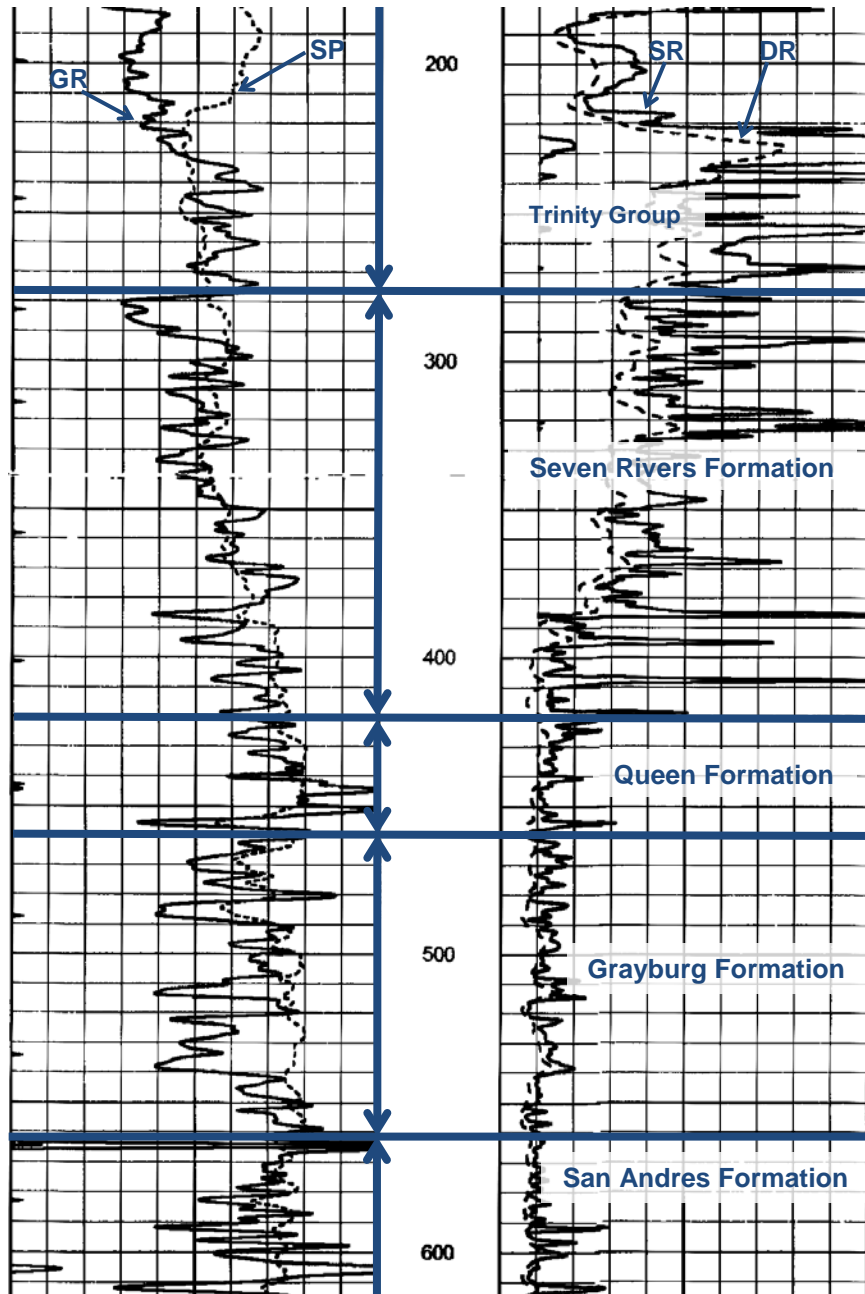


Figure 7.3-9. Eastern correlations for the Trinity Group, Seven Rivers Formation, Queen Formation, Grayburg Formation, and San Andres Formation on BRACS Database well identification number 55930. The spontaneous potential and gamma ray tools are shown in the left track, depth (in feet below ground surface) is shown in the middle track, and the shallow and deep resistivity tools are shown in the right track. DR = deep induction resistivity, GR = gamma ray, SP = spontaneous potential, SR = shallow resistivity.

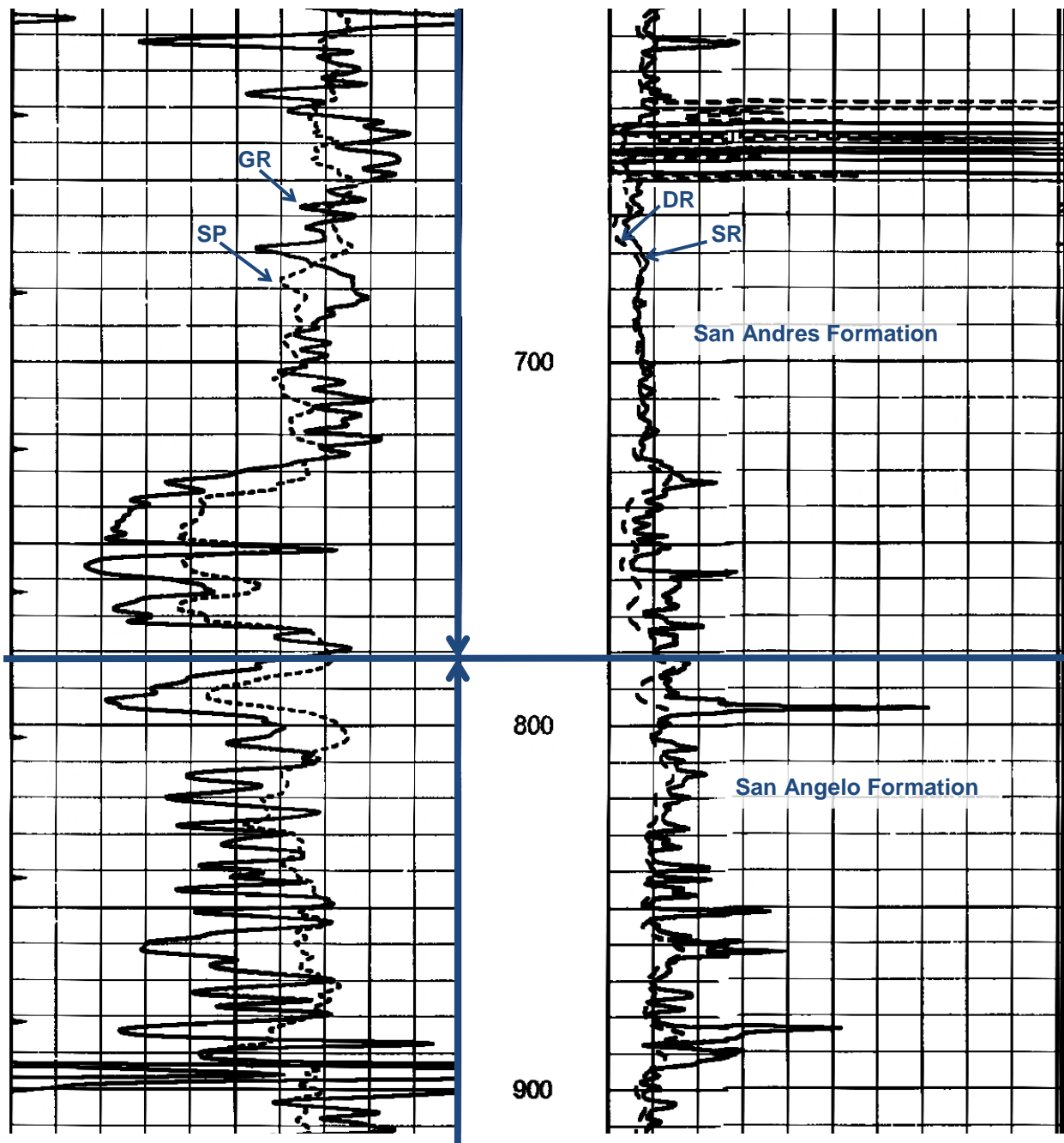


Figure 7.3-10. Eastern correlations for the San Andres Formation and San Angelo Formation on BRACS Database well identification number 55930. The spontaneous potential and gamma ray tools are shown in the left track, depth (in feet below ground surface) is shown in the middle track, and the shallow and deep resistivity tools are shown in the right track. DR = deep induction resistivity, GR = gamma ray, SP = spontaneous potential, SR = shallow resistivity.

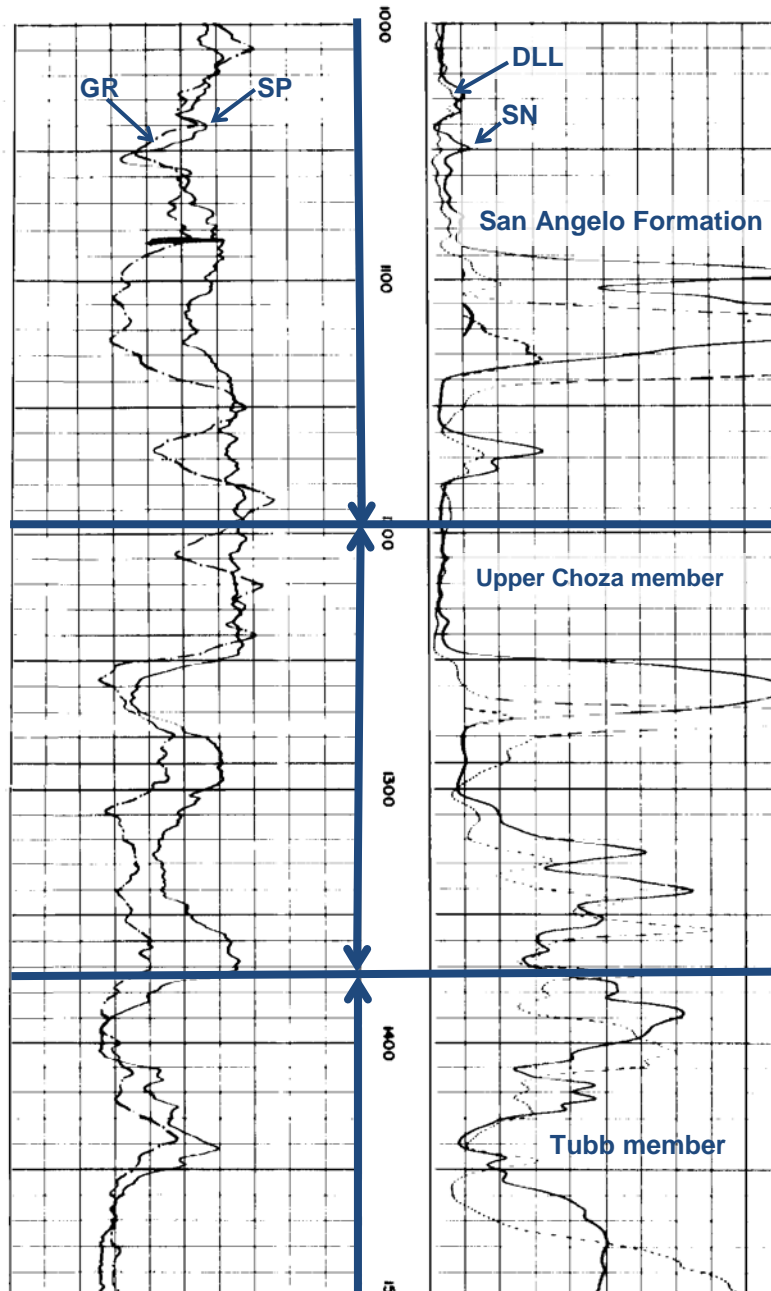


Figure 7.3-11. Eastern correlations for the San Angelo Formation, Upper Choza member, and Tubb Formation on BRACS Database well identification number 55235. The spontaneous potential and gamma ray tools are shown in the left track, depth (in feet below ground surface) is shown in the middle track, and the short normal and deep lateral resistivity tools are shown in the right track. DLL = deep lateral resistivity, GR = gamma ray, SN = short normal resistivity, SP = spontaneous potential.

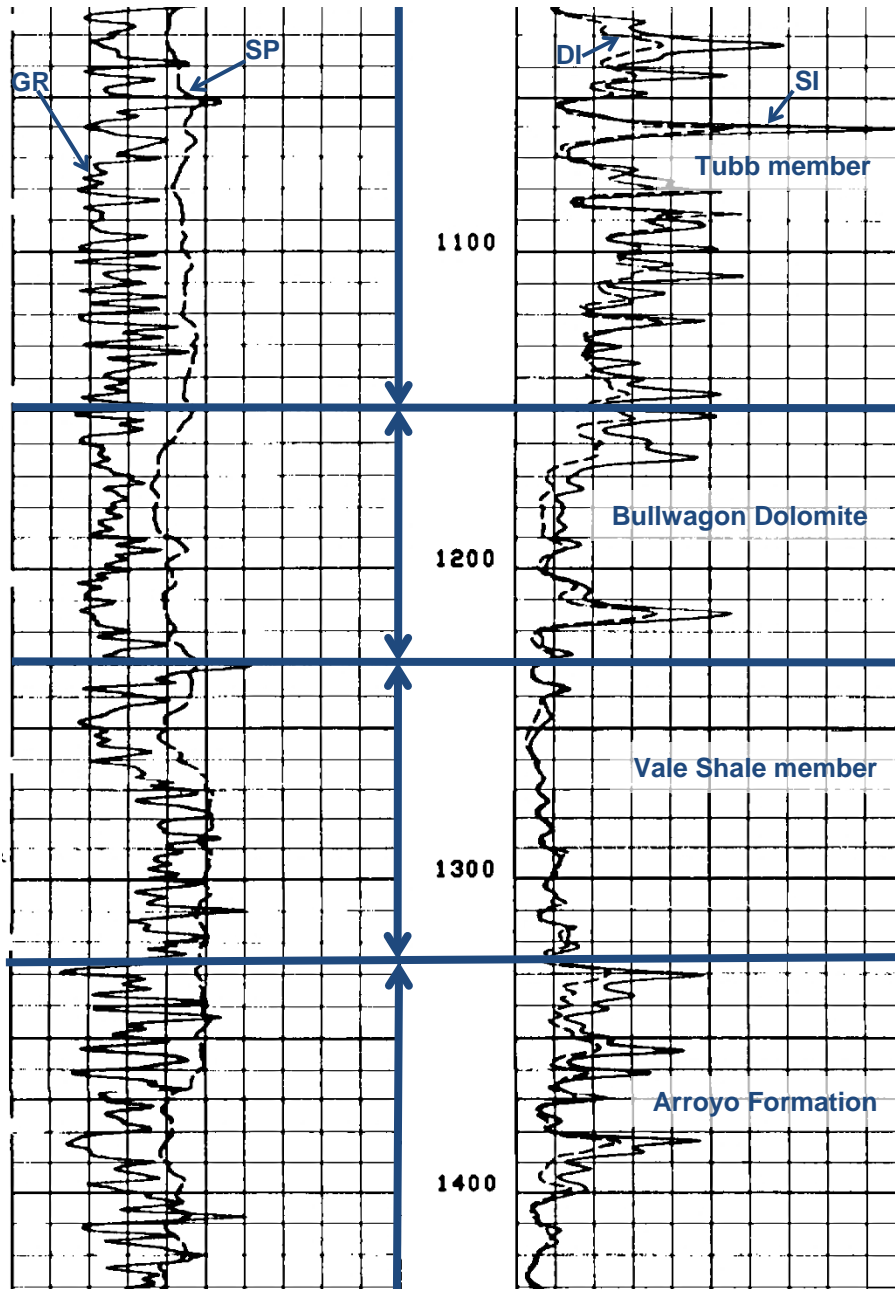


Figure 7.3-12. Eastern correlations for the Tubb member, Bullwagon Dolomite, Vale Shale member, and Arroyo Formation on BRACS Database well identification number 55756. The spontaneous potential and gamma ray tools are shown in the left track, depth (in feet below ground surface) is shown in the middle track, and the short normal and deep induction tools are shown in the right track. DI = deep induction, GR = gamma ray, SI = short induction, SP = spontaneous potential.

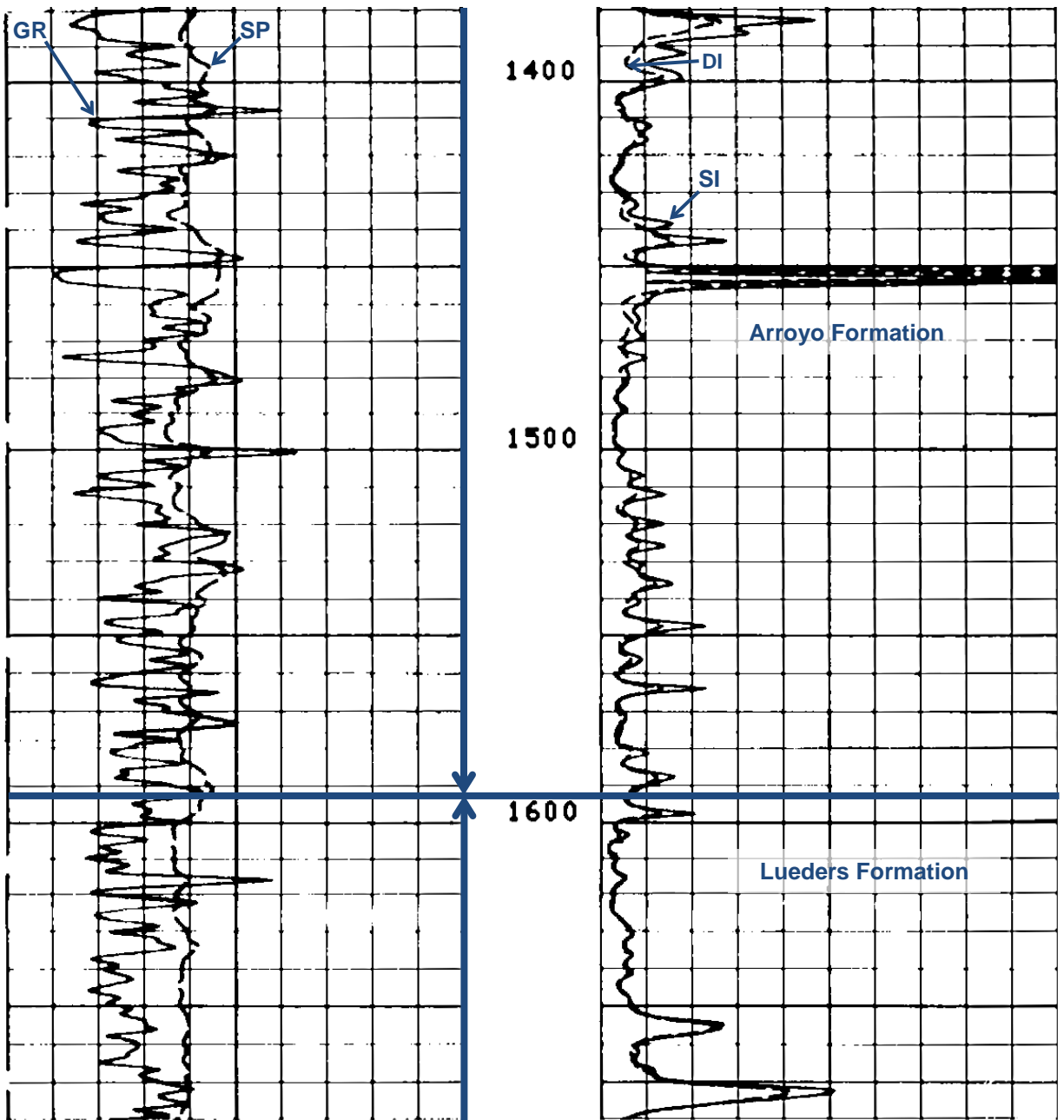


Figure 7.3-13. Eastern correlations for the Arroyo Formation and Lueders Formation on BRACS Database well identification number 55756. The spontaneous potential and gamma ray tools are shown in the left track, depth (in feet below ground surface) is shown in the middle track, and the short normal and deep induction tools are shown in the right track. DI = deep induction, GR = gamma ray, SI = short induction, SP = spontaneous potential.

7.4 Study area cross sections

We constructed six structural cross sections to illustrate the structural and stratigraphic relationships of the geological formations interpreted in the study area. Using a set of Python[®] scripts developed in ArcGIS[®] at the U.S. Geological Survey (Thoms, 2005), we constructed cross section profiles that used the GIS elevation surfaces created from the well log correlations made during the course of this study. These cross sections span the entire study area (Figure 7.4-1), providing a powerful aid in understanding the nature of the geologic contact between the various units. A vertical to horizontal exaggeration of 100 was utilized to visualize some of the thinner correlated formations. The cross reference list of codes and associated stratigraphic units is presented in Table 7.4-1.

Cross section A-A' transects the study area in a northwest to southeast direction (Figure 7.4-2). The cross section is oriented in the general direction of the structural dip of the Permian formations. Note the onlapping of the Seven Rivers, Queen, and Grayburg formations onto the San Andres Formation.

Cross section B-B' transects the study area in a northwest to southeast direction (Figure 7.4-3). The cross section is oriented in the general direction of the structural dip of the Permian formations. Note the onlapping of the Seven Rivers, Queen, and Grayburg formations onto the San Andres Formation. The Dewey Lake Formation is clearly shown lying unconformably on the Rustler-Salado, Tansill, and Yates formations.

Cross section C-C' transects the study area in a northwest to southeast direction (Figure 7.4-4). The cross section is oriented in the general direction of the structural dip of the Permian formations. Note the onlapping of the Seven Rivers, Queen, and Grayburg formations onto the San Andres Formation. The Dewey Lake Formation is clearly shown lying unconformably on the Rustler-Salado, Tansill, and Yates formations.

Cross section D-D' transects the study area in a southwest to northeast direction (Figure 7.4-5). The cross section is oriented in the general direction of the structural strike of the Permian formations. The Dewey Lake Formation is clearly shown lying unconformably on the Rustler-Salado, Tansill, Yates, and Seven Rivers formations.

Cross section E-E' transects the study area in a southwest to northeast direction (Figure 7.4-6). The cross section is oriented in the general direction of the structural strike of the Permian formations. Note the onlapping of the Seven Rivers, Queen, and Grayburg formations onto the San Andres Formation. The San Angelo and San Andres formations outcrop near the center of the cross section line.

Cross section F-F' transects the study area in a southwest to northeast direction (Figure 7.4-7). The cross section is oriented in the general direction of the structural strike of the Permian formations.

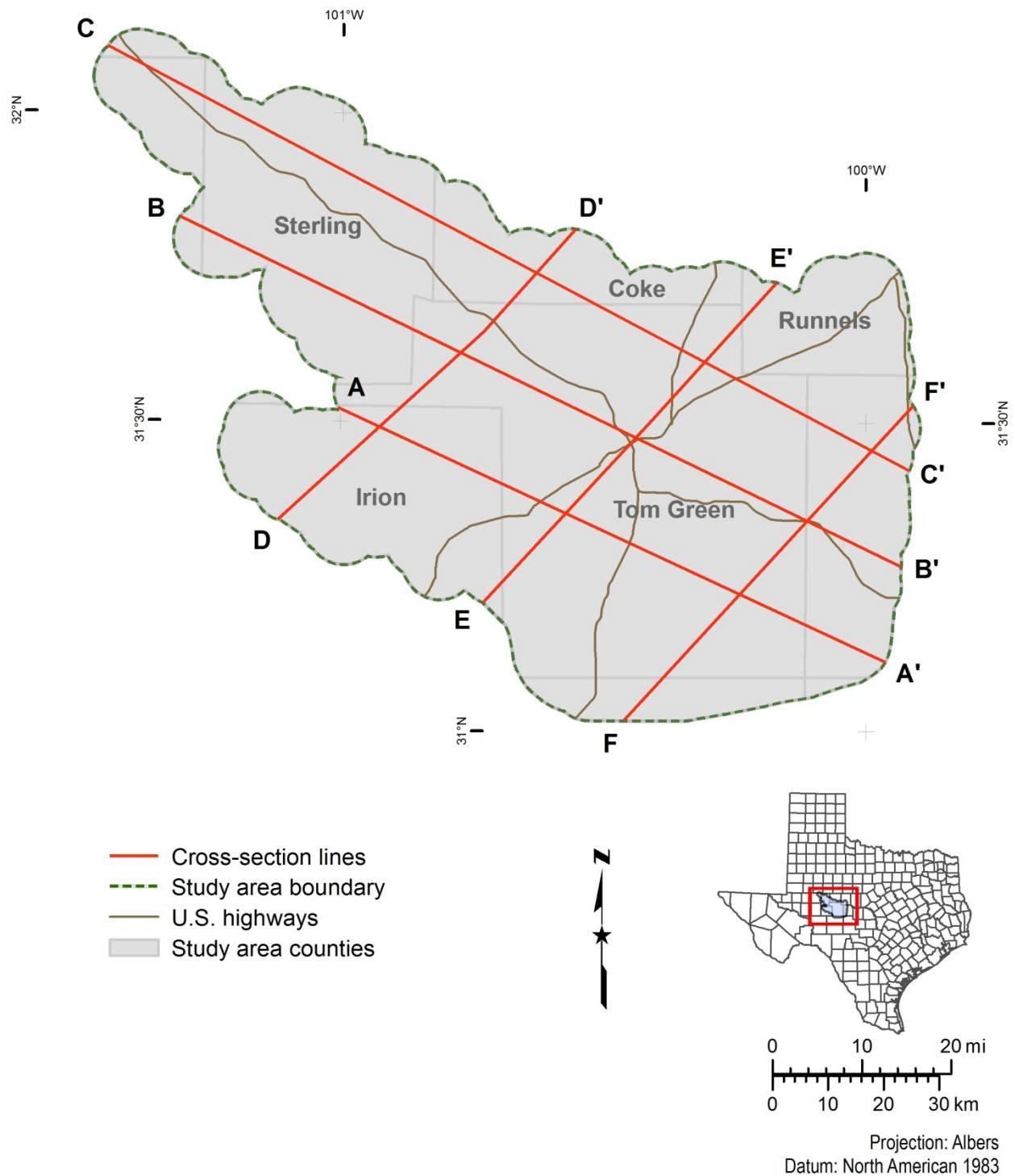


Figure 7.4-1. Location of cross section lines in the Lipan Aquifer study area.

Table 7.4-1. List of aquifer codes with stratigraphic units referenced in Figure 7.4-2 through Figure 7.4-7. The list is organized from youngest to oldest units.

| Aquifer code | Stratigraphic unit |
|---------------------|--|
| QT | Quaternary and Neogene sediments |
| TG | Trinity Group |
| LD | Dockum Group |
| DL | Dewey Lake Formation |
| RSC | Rustler-Salado formations |
| TA | Tansill Formation |
| YA | Yates Formation |
| SR | Seven Rivers Formation |
| Q | Queen Formation |
| GY | Grayburg Formation |
| SA | San Andres Formation |
| SG | San Angelo Formation |
| CH | Upper Choza member |
| TB | Tubb member |
| BW | Bullwagon Dolomite |
| VL | Vale Shale member |
| AY | Arroyo Formation |
| LE | Lueders Formation and older formations |

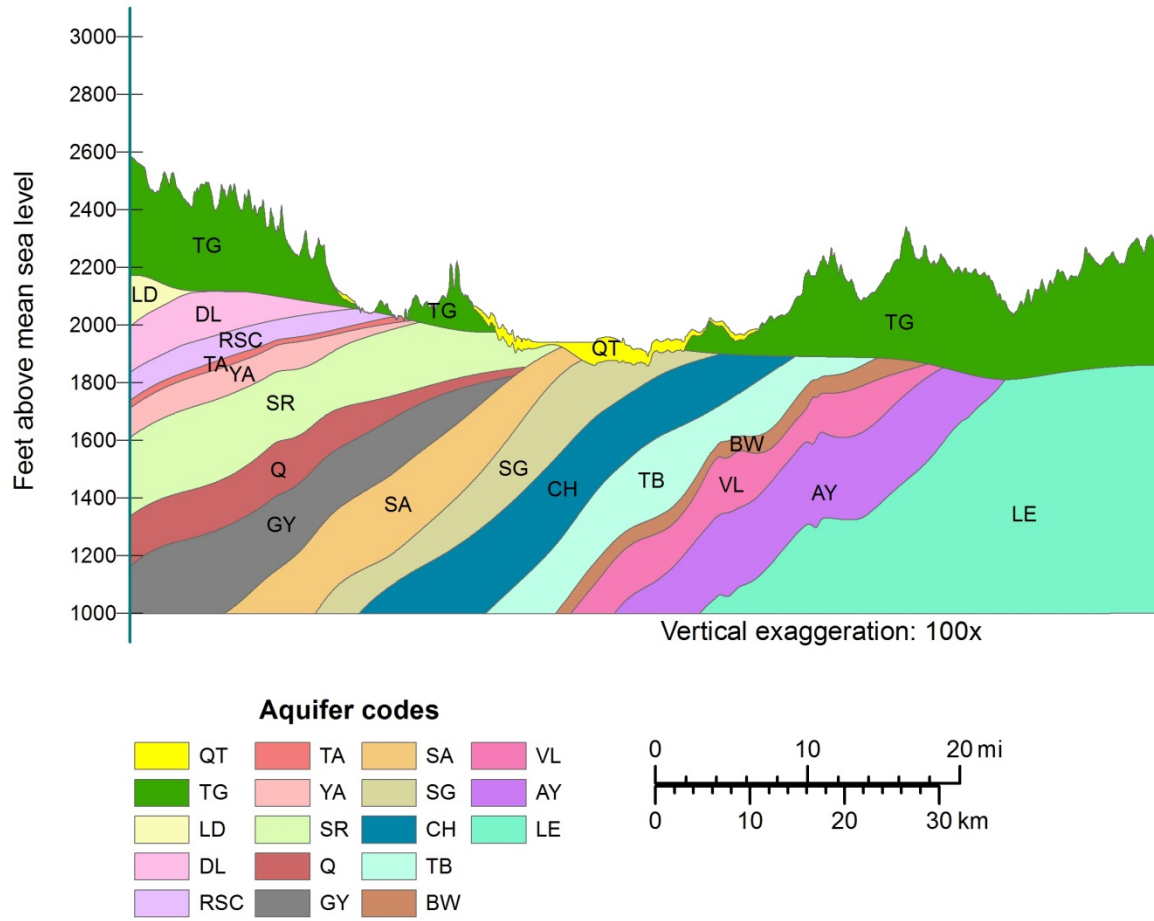


Figure 7.4-2. Cross section A-A'. Refer to Figure 7.4-1 for cross section location and Table 7.4-1 for aquifer code descriptions.

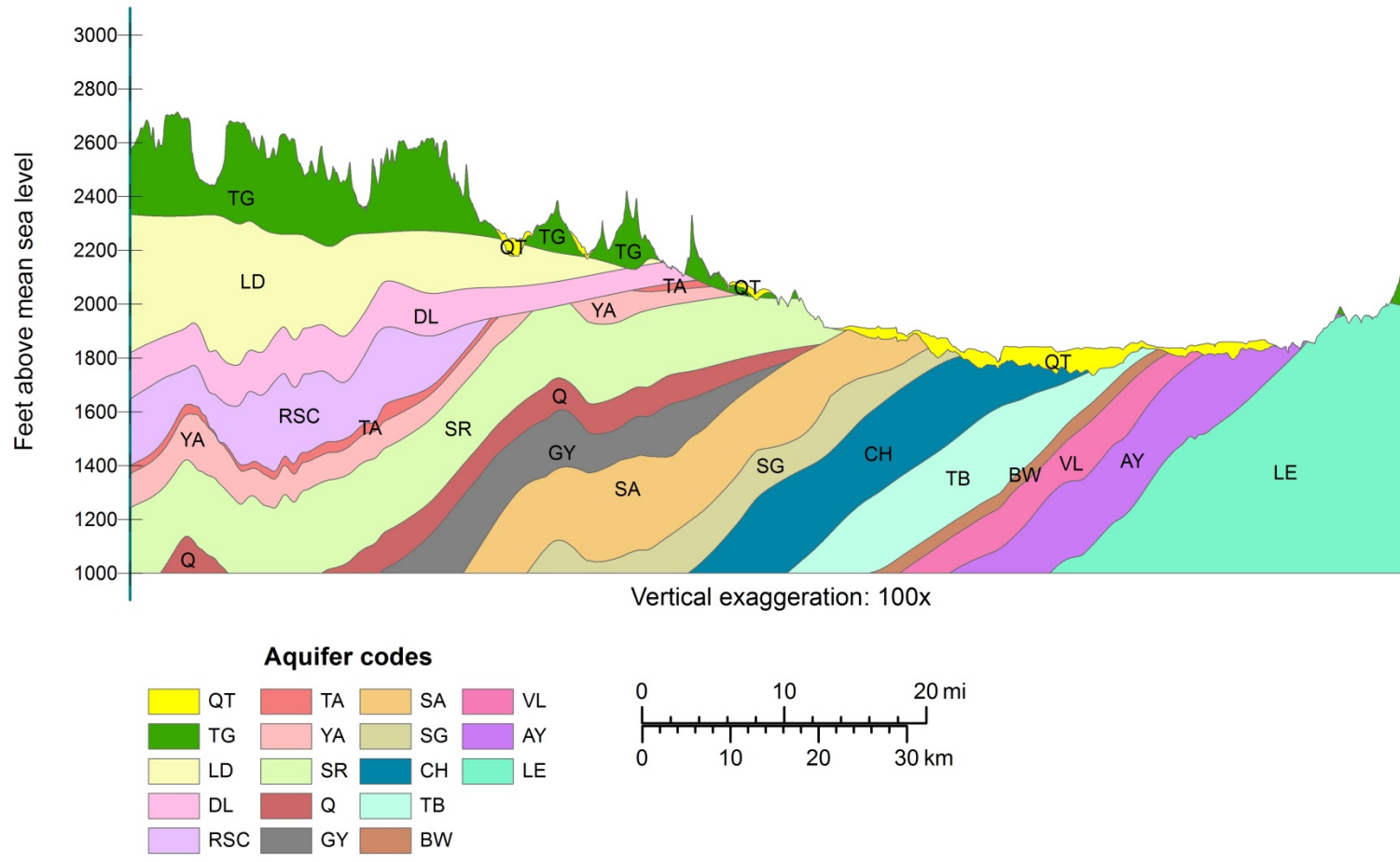


Figure 7.4-3. Cross section B-B'. Refer to Figure 7.4-1 for cross section location and Table 7.4-1 for aquifer code descriptions.

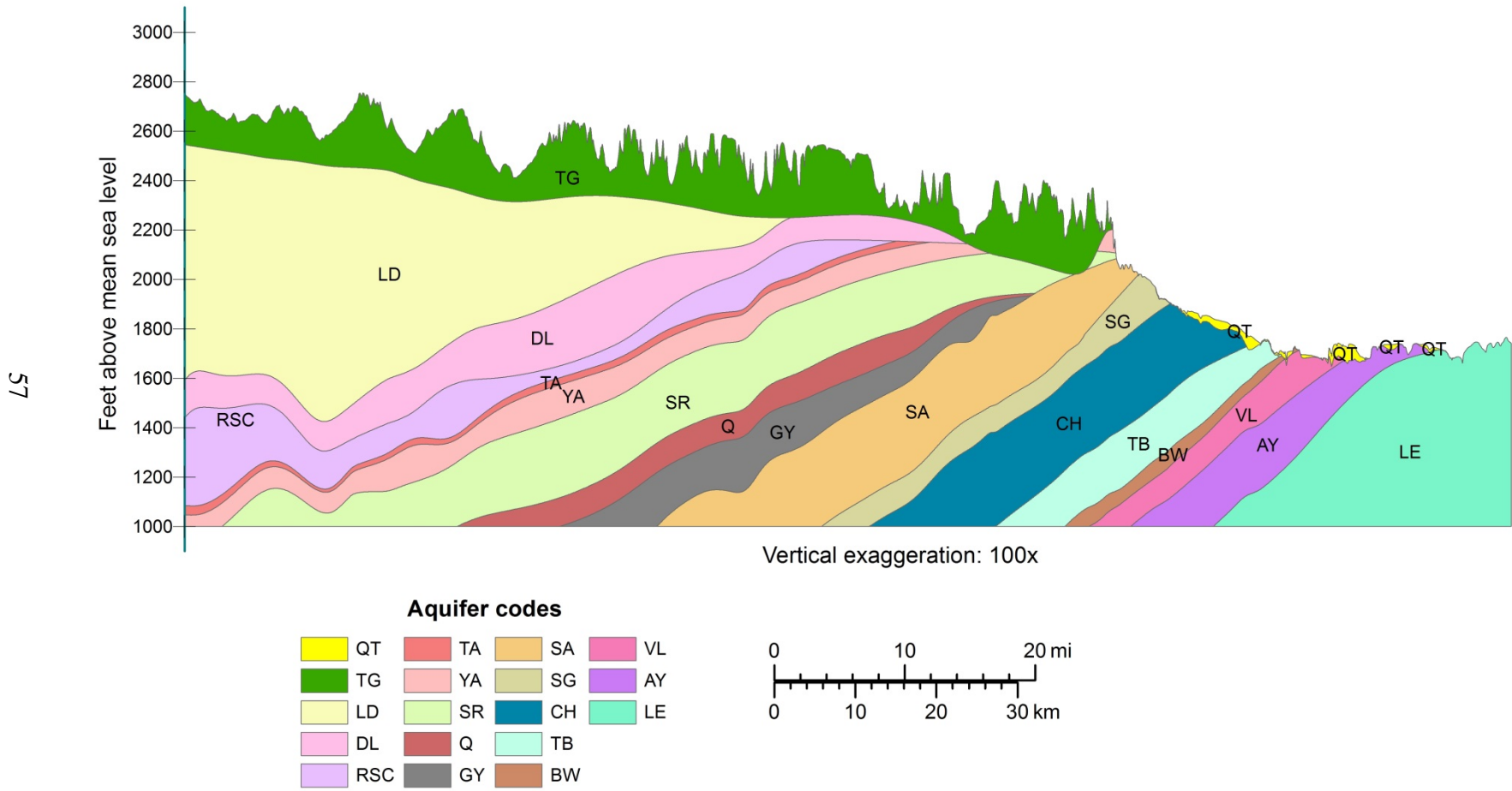


Figure 7.4-4. Cross section C-C'. Refer to Figure 7.4-1 for cross section location and Table 7.4-1 for aquifer code descriptions.

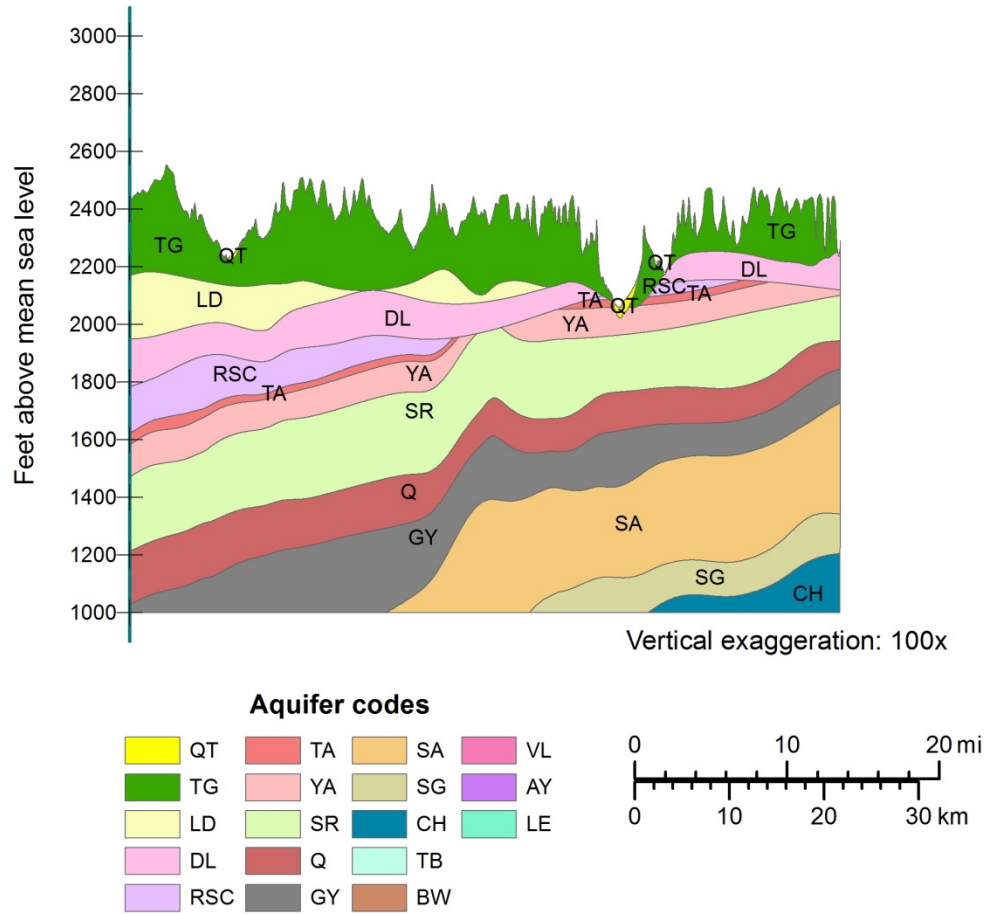


Figure 7.4-5. Cross section D-D'. Refer to Figure 7.4-1 for cross section location and Table 7.4-1 for aquifer code descriptions.

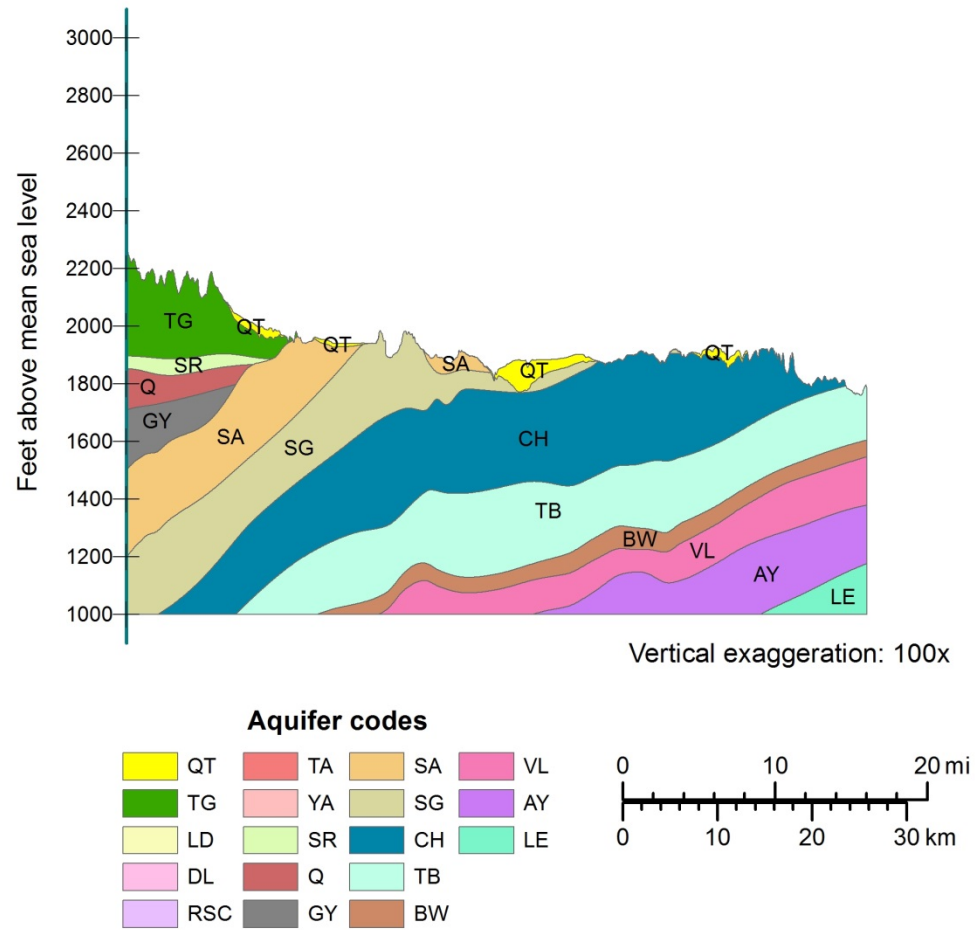


Figure 7.4-6. Cross section E-E'. Refer to Figure 7.4-1 for cross section location and Table 7.4-1 for aquifer code descriptions. The San Angelo and San Andres formations outcrop near the center of the cross section line.

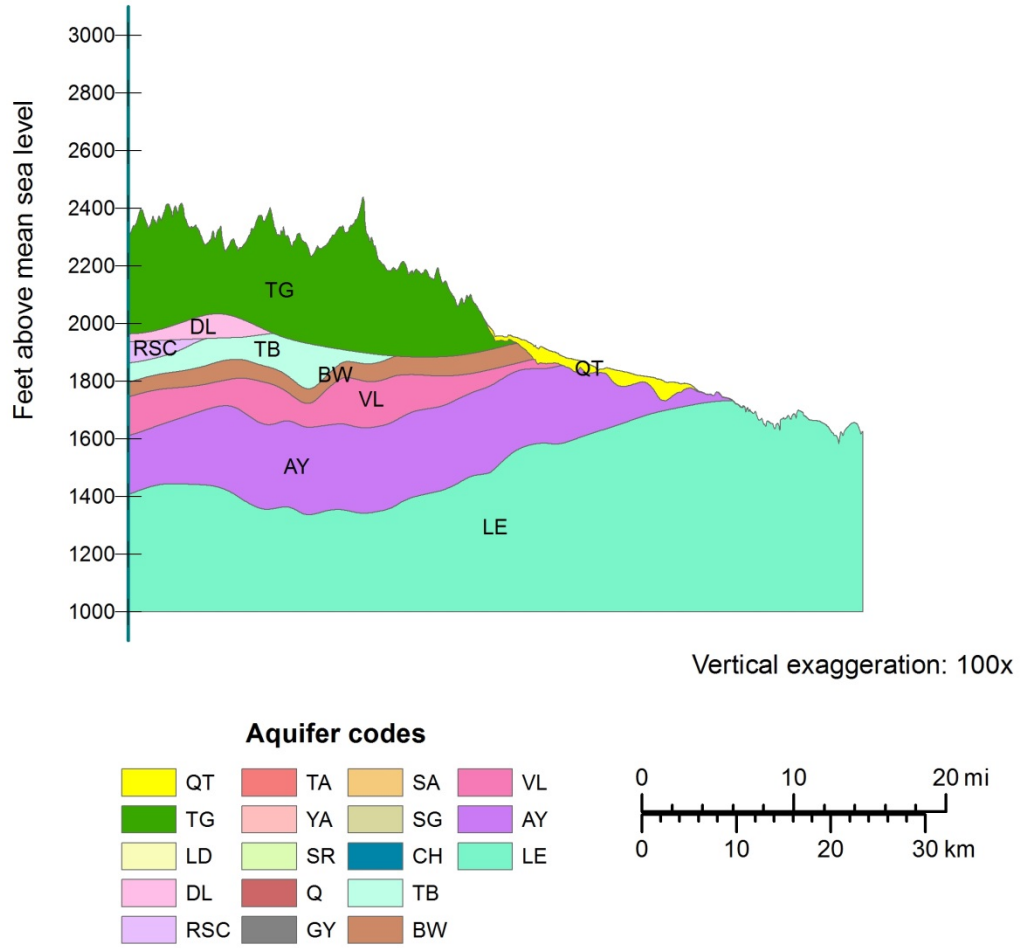


Figure 7.4-7. Cross section F-F'. Refer to Figure 7.4-1 for cross section location and Table 7.4-1 for aquifer code descriptions.

8. Aquifer determination

Water wells in the TWDB Groundwater Database have aquifer codes assigned to them. Over the 25 years that the database has been in existence, different staff members have used a variety of information to assign aquifer codes in the database. In the study area there has been significant variability in the assignment of these aquifer codes because of the complex relationship between the overlying Quaternary and Neogene sediments and the underlying Permian formations. The stratigraphic correlations that we have made during the course of this study created new subdivisions of the Clear Fork Group that have not previously been used at the TWDB.

A uniform dataset was created that would allow us to compare water quality, static water level, and aquifer test information within an individual stratigraphic unit or across a group of units. In order to complete this task we used GIS and conducted database queries of many different tables to analyze the data and compile it into a study aquifer determination table in Microsoft® Access®.

In the analysis, each stratigraphic unit was included in the study area: Quaternary and Neogene sediments, Trinity Group, Dockum Group, Rustler-Salado formations, Tansill Formation, Yates Formation, Seven Rivers Formation, Queen Formation, Grayburg Formation, San Andres Formation, San Angelo Formation, Upper Choza member, Tubb member, Bullwagon Dolomite, Vale Shale member, Arroyo Formation, and Lueders Formation.

The first step was to select all TWDB Groundwater Database wells and BRACS Database wells within the study area and insert them into the aquifer determination table named tblBRACS_Lipan_AquiferDetermination. There are 6,995 wells in this table: 2,708 with a state well number, 4,681 with a BRACS Database well number, and 394 that have both numbers.

We extracted the depth-to-surface value for each interpreted stratigraphic unit (for example, San Angelo Formation top depth) at each well site using the ArcGIS® tool (Spatial Analyst®, Extraction, Extract Value to Point). These extracted values were then used to update the aquifer determination table in Microsoft® Access®. The spatial intersection of the (1) top and bottom of the well screen interval, (2) well depth, or (3) total depth of a well with the top and bottom surfaces of the geological units was made for each well in the table. The intersection precedence, if present, was well screen, well depth, and total depth of hole. Well screens that straddled more than one stratigraphic unit had each stratigraphic unit assigned to it. If well screen information was not available, the well depth or total depth of the hole was used. In these cases, all stratigraphic units were selected based on the depth and formation top and bottom depths and an “X” was added to the beginning of the list of stratigraphic codes to indicate that no screen information was available.

Queries were written in Structured Query Language, and the analysis was processed using four programs written using Visual Basic for Applications® in Microsoft® Access®. All of the wells were processed together in a series of steps. Results were checked with the raw data and queried for consistency and accuracy and when necessary the Visual Basic for Applications® code was corrected and the data reprocessed. This selection process determined and recorded the aquifer(s) for each well. Wells with no screened interval and no total depth available were not assigned aquifers.

The well information stored in the database was extracted and geo-referenced in ArcGIS® to spatially display the information. This step was used to verify the logic of the Structured Query Language and to identify and correct errors. The patterns of aquifer usage across the study area can thus be evaluated, although care needs to be exercised when using wells whose aquifer(s) were assigned only on the basis of well depth or total depth of hole.

With the results of the aquifer determination analysis we were able to assign a standardized set of aquifer codes for groundwater quality samples, aquifer test results, and salinity calculations. Throughout this report the aquifer codes assigned were used to classify data and analyses in a uniform and consistent manner.

The newly assigned aquifer codes were compared to aquifer assignments of wells in the TWDB Groundwater Database and to water sample data in published reports. In many cases, the aquifer codes previously assigned to a well were different from our aquifer determination result. We reviewed many of these, reexamining the water well report lithology, well screen, and formation surface datasets and concluded that the aquifer codes assigned in this study represent an accurate classification. In the future we may apply the BRACS aquifer determinations for the aquifer designations in the TWDB Groundwater Database.

Wells with aquifer test information were assessed using the aquifer determination results and then compared with the source of the data in published reports. In several cases, the aquifer assigned to a well in the published report was different from the aquifer determination result. After reexamining the water well report lithology, well screen, and formation surface datasets, we concluded that errors in past reports have persisted and been carried over into more recent studies.

While the analysis tool was written specifically for this study area, the methodology can be applied anywhere in the state. However, the dataset and series of custom queries must be developed for each specific study area.

9. Aquifer hydraulic properties

The hydraulic properties of an aquifer refer to characteristics that allow water to flow through the aquifer. Hydraulic properties include transmissivity, hydraulic conductivity, specific yield, specific capacity, drawdown, pumping rate (well yield), and storage coefficient. Lithology, cementation, fracturing, structural framework, and juxtaposition of adjacent geological formations all influence the flow of water within and between aquifers.

We compiled hydraulic properties for 1,341 wells containing 1,433 analyses completed in the study area. This data is contained in the BRACS Database in the table called tblBRACS_AquiferTestInformation and in the custom study area table called tblBRACS_Lipan_Aquifer_Test. Our analysis was limited to the Quaternary and Neogene sediments and nine Permian stratigraphic units that are known to be composed of lithologies that have aquifer characteristics conducive to groundwater storage and flow, resulting in 10 total target units. The Cretaceous and Triassic formations in the area will be considered separately in future studies. We also excluded wells that we determined may have produced water from multiple Permian formations. This approach was used to isolate hydraulic characteristics to a known Permian formation and/or its overlying Quaternary and Neogene sediments. This exclusion process reduced available data to 379 wells containing 396 analyses. This selected subset of available data is in the BRACS Database in the table called tblBRACS_Lipan_Aquifer_Test_Select. Locations of these wells are presented in Figure 9-1.

The spatial distribution of wells with aquifer test data and displayed with symbol colors based on geological formation clearly shows a pattern of clustering in a southwest to northeast orientation that reflects the subcrop structural dip of the Permian formations, with progressively younger formations displayed from southeast to northwest (Figure 9-1). Hydraulic property data was not available for the Queen Formation. Available data for the nine remaining geological units evaluated for water production are shown in Table 9-1.

The sources of aquifer test information include (1) TWDB aquifer test spreadsheet, (2) the remarks table in the TWDB Groundwater Database, (3) published reports (LBG-Guyton Associates, 2008), and (4) the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation Submitted Driller's Report Database (2016). Additional information may be available in the TWDB paper well reports.

We found no hydraulic conductivity or specific yield data for wells located within the study area that met the criteria noted above. There was one well, BRACS well identification number 51961 (state well number 43-149-03), which was completed in the Upper Choza member and reported a transmissivity of 1,100 gallons per day per foot.

Users of the hydraulic property data presented in our study should evaluate the data in the proper context. We obtained many of the well yields from tests conducted decades ago, and many well yields are from domestic small-capacity wells that may not be indicative of what a properly designed, large capacity well may be capable of producing.

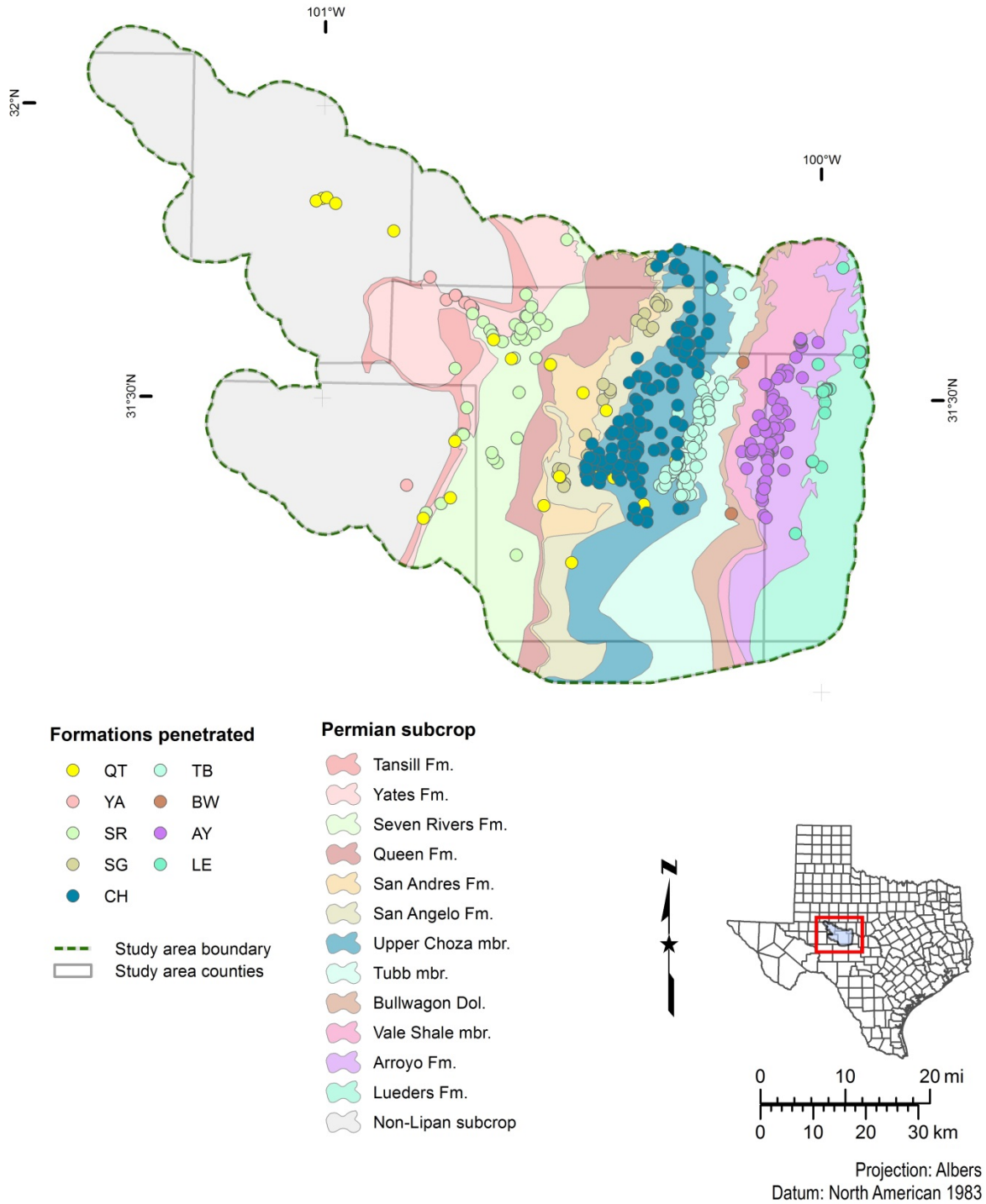


Figure 9-1. Location of wells with aquifer test data. Refer to Table 9-1 for a summary of properties recorded. Designated formations penetrated may also include an overlying Quaternary and Neogene sediments interval. Shaded areas indicate where Permian formations either outcrop or subcrop below overlying Quaternary and Neogene sediments or Cretaceous formations. Wells with aquifer test data completed in the Trinity or Dockum groups are not shown. Cross-reference for formation labels and names are shown in Table 7.4-1. Dol = Dolomite, Fm. = Formation, mbr. = member.

Table 9-1. Hydraulic properties of formations in the Lipan Aquifer study area. Wells penetrating the Trinity and Dockum groups or wells that may produce water from multiple Permian units are excluded.

| Geological unit | Property | Sample count | Min | Max | Mean | Median |
|---|-------------------|---------------------|------------|------------|-------------|---------------|
| Quaternary and Neogene sediments | Well yield | 24 | 2 | 750 | 157 | 35 |
| | Drawdown | 4 | 3 | 20 | 10 | 8.5 |
| | Specific capacity | 4 | 0.86 | 15 | 5 | 2.17 |
| | | | | | | |
| Yates Formation | Well yield | 9 | 9 | 395 | 126 | 100 |
| | Drawdown | 3 | 10 | 15 | 11.7 | 10 |
| | Specific capacity | 3 | 6 | 26.3 | 13.1 | 7 |
| | | | | | | |
| Seven Rivers Formation | Well yield | 40 | 2 | 500 | 54.5 | 16 |
| | Drawdown | 5 | 6 | 165 | 61 | 48 |
| | Specific capacity | 5 | 0.02 | 4.21 | 2.01 | 1.25 |
| | | | | | | |
| San Angelo Formation | Well yield | 26 | 2 | 150 | 20.1 | 14.5 |
| | Drawdown | 2 | 2 | 12 | 7 | 7 |
| | Specific capacity | 2 | 1.17 | 15 | 8.1 | 8.1 |
| | | | | | | |
| Upper Choza member | Well yield | 128 | 1 | 720 | 89 | 30 |
| | Drawdown | 11 | 2 | 60 | 20.4 | 11.5 |
| | Specific capacity | 11 | 0.05 | 75 | 8 | 0.71 |
| | | | | | | |
| Tubb member | Well yield | 77 | 10 | 1,000 | 299 | 230 |
| | Drawdown | 7 | 2 | 30 | 12.1 | 8 |
| | Specific capacity | 7 | 16.7 | 475 | 140.2 | 106.3 |
| | | | | | | |
| Bullwagon Dolomite | Well yield | 2 | 20 | 100 | 60 | 60 |
| | Drawdown | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | |
| | Specific capacity | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | |
| | | | | | | |
| Arroyo Formation | Well yield | 65 | 1 | 1,200 | 148 | 120 |
| | Drawdown | 1 | 70 | 70 | 70 | 70 |
| | Specific capacity | 1 | 2.14 | 2.14 | 2.14 | 2.14 |
| | | | | | | |
| Lueders Formation | Well yield | 25 | 2 | 400 | 139 | 120 |
| | Drawdown | 1 | 33 | 33 | 33 | 33 |
| | Specific capacity | 1 | 0.06 | 0.06 | 0.06 | 0.06 |

Notes: Units for well yield (gallons per minute), drawdown (feet), specific capacity (gallons per minute per foot). N/A = not available, Min = minimum, Max = maximum.

10. Water quality data

We obtained water quality data from the TWDB Groundwater Database and published reports (Richter and others, 1990; LBG-Guyton Associates, 2008). These samples are taken from the raw water source prior to treatment. Results from Safe Drinking Water Act compliance for public water supply systems for this study were not used. These samples are taken from the distribution system after treatment and disinfection and do not provide an accurate assessment of native water quality in the aquifer. Raw water quality results exceeding Safe Drinking Water Act maximum contaminant levels (TCEQ, 2015) indicate pretreatment is required and do not imply that public water systems are providing water exceeding health limits.

We combined all water quality data collected for the study into one master water quality dataset consisting of select dissolved minerals and radionuclides. The master water quality table contains 1,003 water quality samples from 1,001 wells. Additional water quality data (for example, metals) is present in the TWDB Groundwater Database. We assigned an updated aquifer assignment for each well based on the aquifer determination task described in Section 10. This allowed us to produce maps of several important parameters that met specific well completion criteria. Wells penetrating the Trinity and Dockum groups and those in which we could not determine what geological formations the samples were taken from were excluded from mapping.

10.1 Parameters of concern for desalination

Depending on the use, brackish groundwater needs to be treated (desalinated). Without treatment, brackish water can cause scaling and corrosion problems in water wells and treatment equipment and cannot be used for municipal and industrial purposes. Groundwater containing total dissolved solids at concentrations greater than 3,000 milligrams per liter is not suitable for irrigation without dilution or desalination and, although considered satisfactory for most poultry and livestock watering, can cause health problems at increasingly higher concentrations (Warner, 2001).

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality has established a secondary standard of 1,000 milligrams per liter of total dissolved solids for public water supply systems (TCEQ, 2015). Secondary standards are non-enforceable guidelines that may cause cosmetic or aesthetic effects in drinking water (EPA, 2016). The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) established secondary standards for 15 contaminants (U.S. EPA, 2017). The federal secondary standard for total dissolved solids is 500 milligrams per liter. The state secondary standard has a higher concentration of total dissolved solids compared to the federal because waters in the state tend to be more saline.

Some general physical and chemical parameters of concern to desalination facilities that use reverse osmosis, the predominant desalination technology in Texas, are listed in Table 10.1-1. While the TWDB Groundwater Database contains sample results for most of these parameters, the amount of information available from a well can vary greatly. For example, the TWDB does not maintain information on silt density index from groundwater samples. If the silt density index is high, pre-treatment of the feedwater is required to avoid scaling the membranes in a reverse osmosis treatment system.

Table 10.1-1. General parameters of concern for desalination.

| Physical parameters | Chemical parameters | | | |
|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------|
| | Cations | | Anions | Other |
| Conductivity | Al ⁺³ | K ⁺¹ | Cl ⁻¹ | Alkalinity |
| pH | As ⁺³ | Mg ⁺² | CO ₃ ⁻² | Boron |
| Silt density index | As ⁺⁵ | Mn ⁺² | F ⁻¹ | Dissolved oxygen |
| Temperature | Ba ⁺² | Na ⁺¹ | HCO ₃ ⁻¹ | H ₂ S |
| Turbidity | Ca ⁺² | NH ₄ ⁺¹ | NO ₂ ⁻¹ | Hardness |
| | Cu ⁺² | Ni ⁺² | NO ₃ ⁻¹ | Pesticides |
| | Fe ⁺² | Sr ⁺² | OH ⁻¹ | Radionuclides |
| | Fe ⁺³ | Zn ⁺² | SO ₄ ⁻² | Silica |
| | | | | Total dissolved solids |

Note: The integers with a positive or negative sign indicate the valence of the ion.

Groundwater quality in an aquifer can vary greatly due to factors such as mineral composition of aquifer materials, recharge rates, spatial distribution, chemical composition of recharge waters, and historical changes with time, geochemical processes, natural and man-made discharge rates and spatial distribution, residence time, and groundwater flow velocity.

Mapping groundwater quality data also depends on the number and spatial distribution of samples, types of samples collected, and the dates the samples were collected. A series of maps (Figure 10.2-1 through Figure 10.2-8) for the study area were created to show the distribution of select parameters of concern in desalination as well as radionuclides. The lack of significant numbers of samples in any one recent sampling year meant that we had to extract data from a multi-year period. While these maps display the spatial distribution of chemical parameters, they do not necessarily show current water quality conditions. Users interested in a specific region are encouraged to use the most current available database, GIS datasets, and GIS software to construct site-specific maps to meet project needs.

10.2 Dissolved minerals and radionuclides

Total dissolved solids concentration is a measure of the mineral content in water and is an important parameter for designing a reverse osmosis plant. *Salinity* is the term used to describe the concentration of dissolved, inorganic salts in groundwater. The unit of measurement for total dissolved solids concentration is milligrams per liter. In the study area, 972 wells containing 974 water quality samples of total dissolved solids are available. Wells drawing water from the Trinity and Dockum groups and those in which we could not determine the sampled interval were excluded. Our objective was to ensure the water quality data is exclusively from the Lipan Aquifer. This reduced the well control to 337 wells containing 339 water quality samples (Figure 10.2-1).

The total dissolved solids concentrations ranged from 194 to 65,800 milligrams per liter. The three highest measurements came from an exploratory well that sampled considerably deeper (approximately 600 to 900 feet below ground surface) than is typical of water wells in the study

area (LBG-Guyton Associates, 2008). Disregarding these samples, the maximum total dissolved solids recorded was 7,020 milligrams per liter. In the study area, 257 of the 339 samples (76 percent) exceeded the Safe Drinking Water Limit secondary maximum contaminant level for total dissolved minerals of 1,000 milligrams per liter (TCEQ, 2015).

For dissolved arsenic, 64 wells containing 64 water quality samples are available in the study area (Figure 10.2-2). Arsenic concentrations ranged from 0.001 to 0.010 milligrams per liter in the study area. None of the water quality samples exceeded the Safe Drinking Water Act maximum contaminant level for arsenic of 0.010 milligrams per liter (TCEQ, 2015).

There are no boron samples available in the study area. There is no maximum contaminant level for boron in public drinking water (TCEQ, 2015). Boron is listed on the Environmental Protection Agency Contaminant Candidate List 2 developed in 2005. In natural environments, boron exists as boric acid (H_3BO_3), a weak acid that does not dissociate readily (Hem, 1985).

For chloride, 297 wells containing 298 water quality samples are available in the study area (Figure 10.2-3). Chloride concentrations ranged from 5 to 41,000 milligrams per liter. Disregarding the samples from the deep exploratory well, the highest concentration was 3,380 milligrams per liter. The Safe Drinking Water Act secondary maximum contaminant level for chloride is 300 milligrams per liter, of which 199 of the 298 samples (67 percent) exceeded this level (TCEQ, 2015).

Seven wells containing seven water quality samples analyzed for total iron concentration are available in the study area (Figure 10.2-4). Iron concentrations ranged from 0.02 to 0.41 milligrams per liter. One of the seven samples (14 percent) exceeded the Safe Drinking Water Act secondary maximum contaminant level for iron of 0.3 milligrams per liter (TCEQ, 2015). Iron in groundwater can become oxidized and will precipitate when it reaches ground surface. To avoid fouling reverse osmosis membranes, water with elevated levels of iron must be pre-treated.

Only three wells containing five water quality samples analyzed for silica are available in the study area (Table 10.2-1). Silica concentrations ranged from 11.6 to 24.0 milligrams per liter. There is no maximum contaminant level for silica in public drinking water (TCEQ, 2015). However, silica is an important desalination parameter because at elevated concentrations it can scale reverse osmosis membranes. The term *silica* is widely used to refer to dissolved silicon in natural water, but the actual form is hydrated and should be represented as H_4SiO_4 (Hem, 1985). The tetrahedron (SiO_4^{4-}) is the building block of most igneous and metamorphic rocks and is present in some form in most soils and groundwater.

Table 10.2-1. Sampled concentrations of silica. Depth in feet below ground surface.

| State well number | BRACS well identification number | Sampling depth (feet) | Concentration (milligrams per liter) |
|-------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|
| | 51449 | 615-645 | 18.3 |
| | 51449 | 675-705 | 12.1 |
| | 51499 | 903-933 | 11.6 |
| 4318804 | | 112 | 24.0 |
| 4322404 | | 175 | 14.0 |

For sulfate, 297 wells containing 298 water quality samples are available in the study area (Figure 10.2-5). Sulfate concentrations ranged from 4.0 to 3,120 milligrams per liter. The Safe Drinking Water Act secondary maximum contaminant level for sulfate is 300 milligrams per liter, of which 128 of the 298 samples (43 percent) exceeded this level (TCEQ, 2015). Sulfate in shallow groundwater can be attributable to weathering of minerals such as iron pyrite and gypsum or from anthropogenic sources such as oil field brines. It is not uncommon for bacteria to cause natural reduction in sulfate concentrations in shallow groundwater (Hem, 1985). Sulfate in groundwater can cause scaling and fouling of reverse osmosis membranes, requiring the source water to be pre-treated.

For dissolved barium, 104 wells containing 104 water quality samples are available in the study area (Figure 10.2-6). Barium concentrations ranged from 0.01 to 0.32 milligrams per liter. None of the samples exceeded the Safe Drinking Water Act secondary maximum contaminant level for barium of 2 milligrams per liter (TCEQ, 2015). Barium concentrations in groundwater are generally constrained by the presence of sulfate, which readily combines with barium to form barium sulfate (Hem, 1985). Barium in groundwater can cause scaling and fouling of reverse osmosis membranes.

The presence of radionuclides in groundwater is also important when selecting screen zone(s) for a well. Elevated naturally occurring radioactive material in the concentrate will impact the method of waste disposal and, thus, cost. Future test wells should always be logged with a gamma ray tool; elevated radionuclides in formation materials can be discovered using these logs.

In the study area, 29 wells containing 29 water quality samples analyzed for dissolved alpha radiation are available (Figure 10.2-7). The Safe Drinking Water Limit maximum contaminant level for dissolved alpha radiation is 15 picoCuries per liter, of which 2 of the 29 samples (7 percent) exceeded this level (TCEQ, 2015).

For dissolved natural uranium, 26 wells containing 26 water quality samples are available in the study area (Figure 10.2-8). No samples exceeded the Safe Drinking Water Limit maximum contaminant level for uranium of 30 micrograms per liter (TCEQ, 2015).

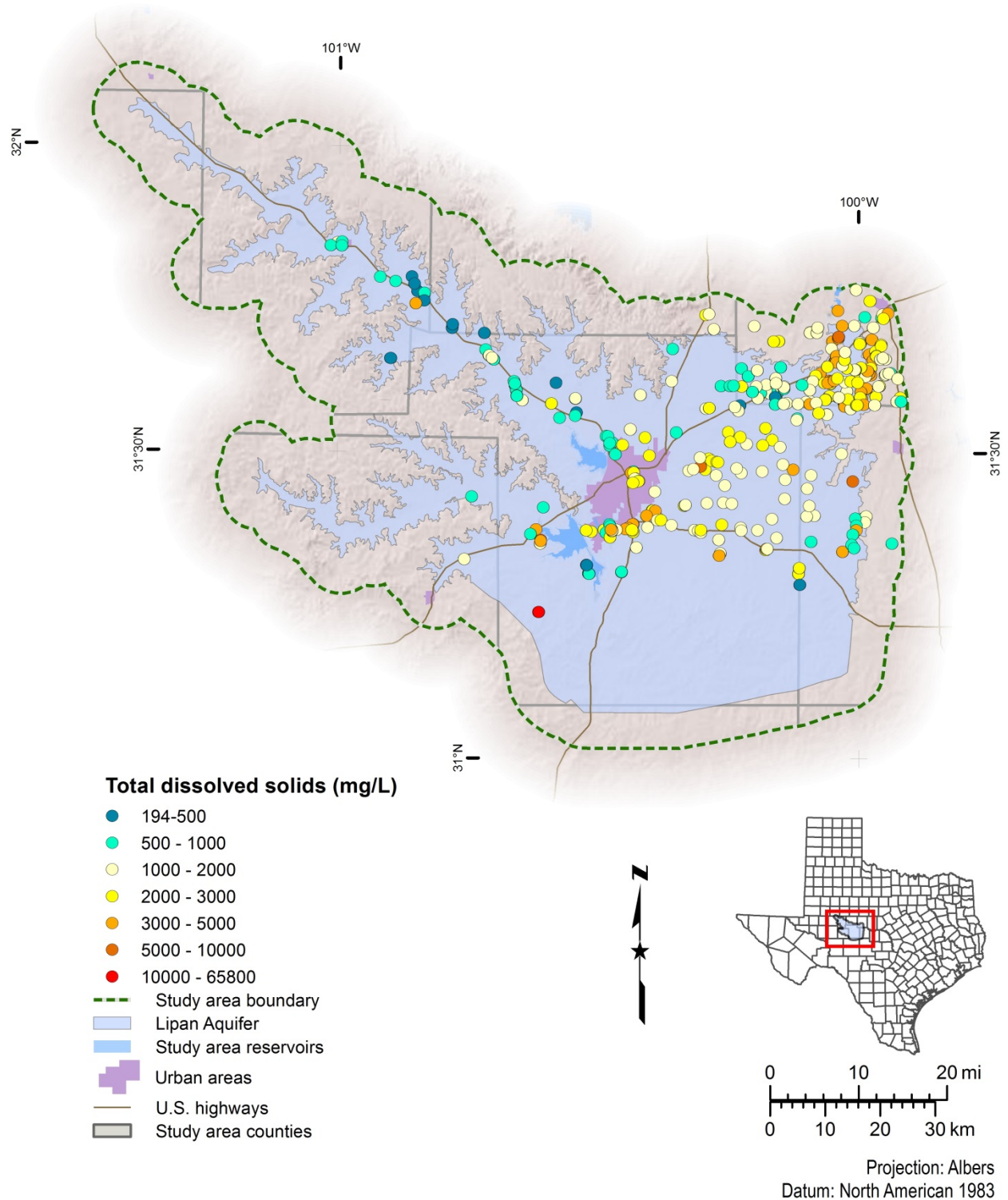


Figure 10.2-1. Distribution of wells sampled for total dissolved solids. One sample with a concentration measuring higher than 10,000 milligrams per liter was from a deep exploratory well not used for water supply (LBG-Guyton Associates, 2008). mg/L = milligrams per liter.

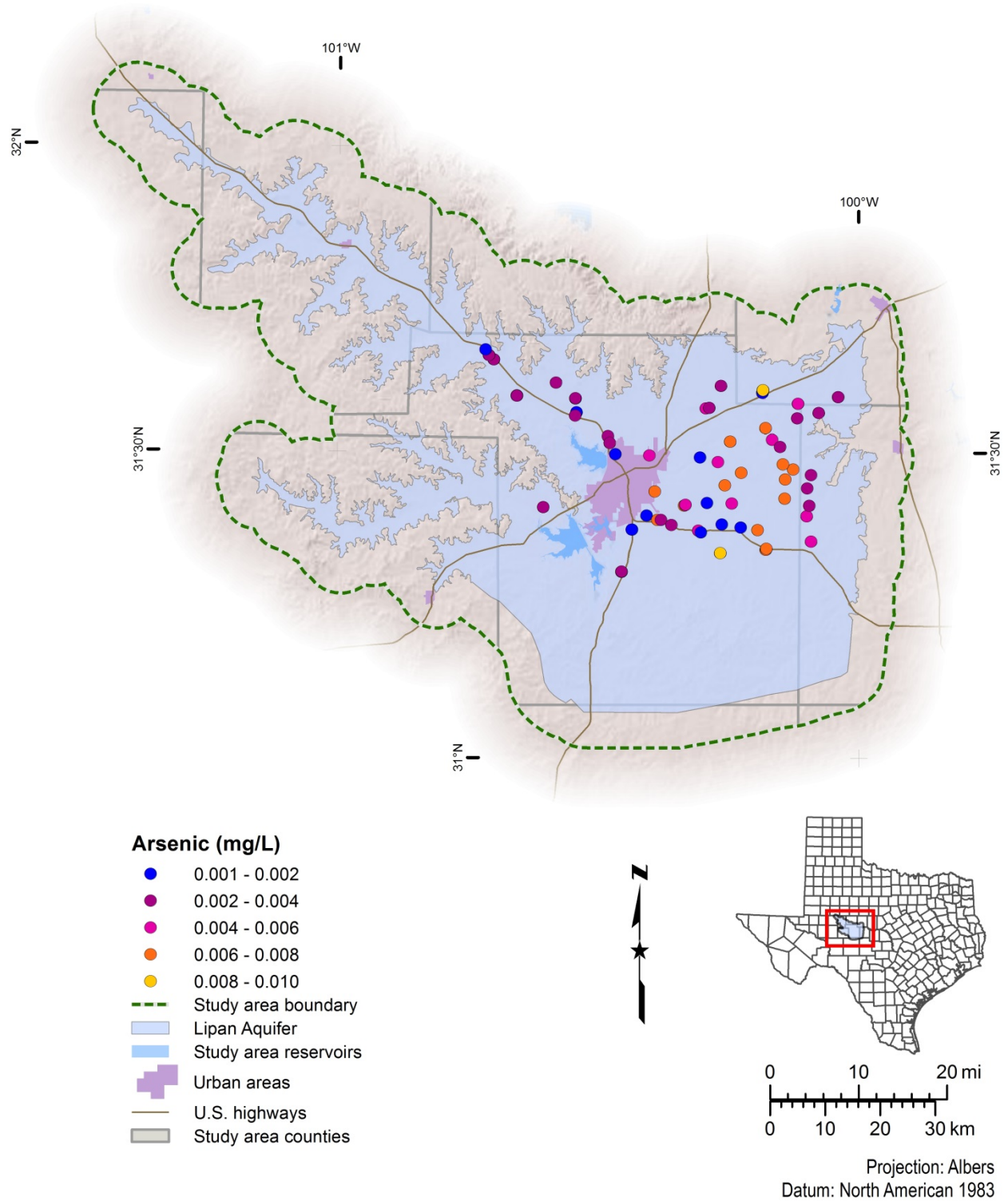


Figure 10.2-2. Distribution of wells sampled for dissolved arsenic. mg/L = milligrams per liter.

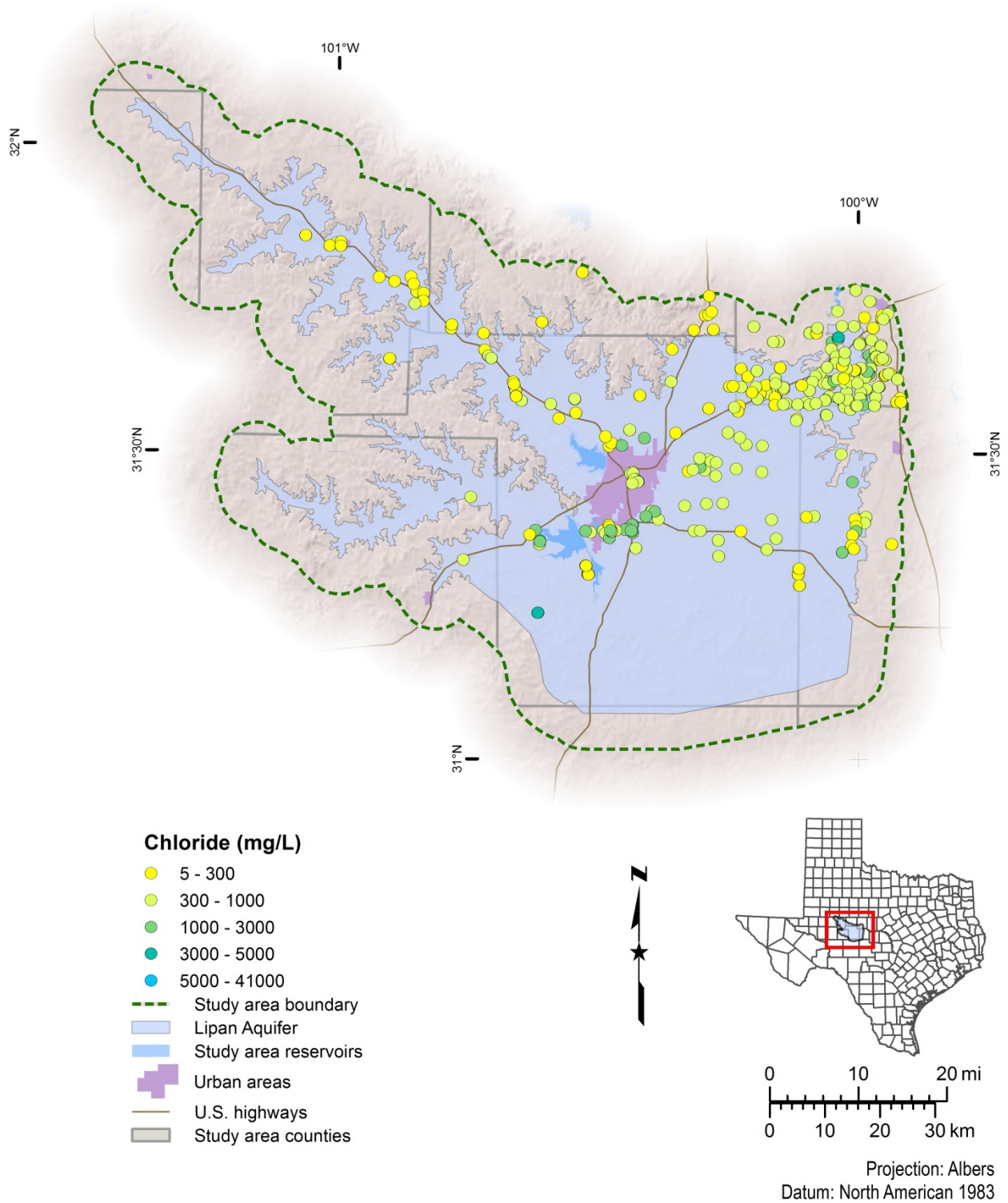


Figure 10.2-3. Distribution of wells sampled for chloride. mg/L = milligrams per liter.

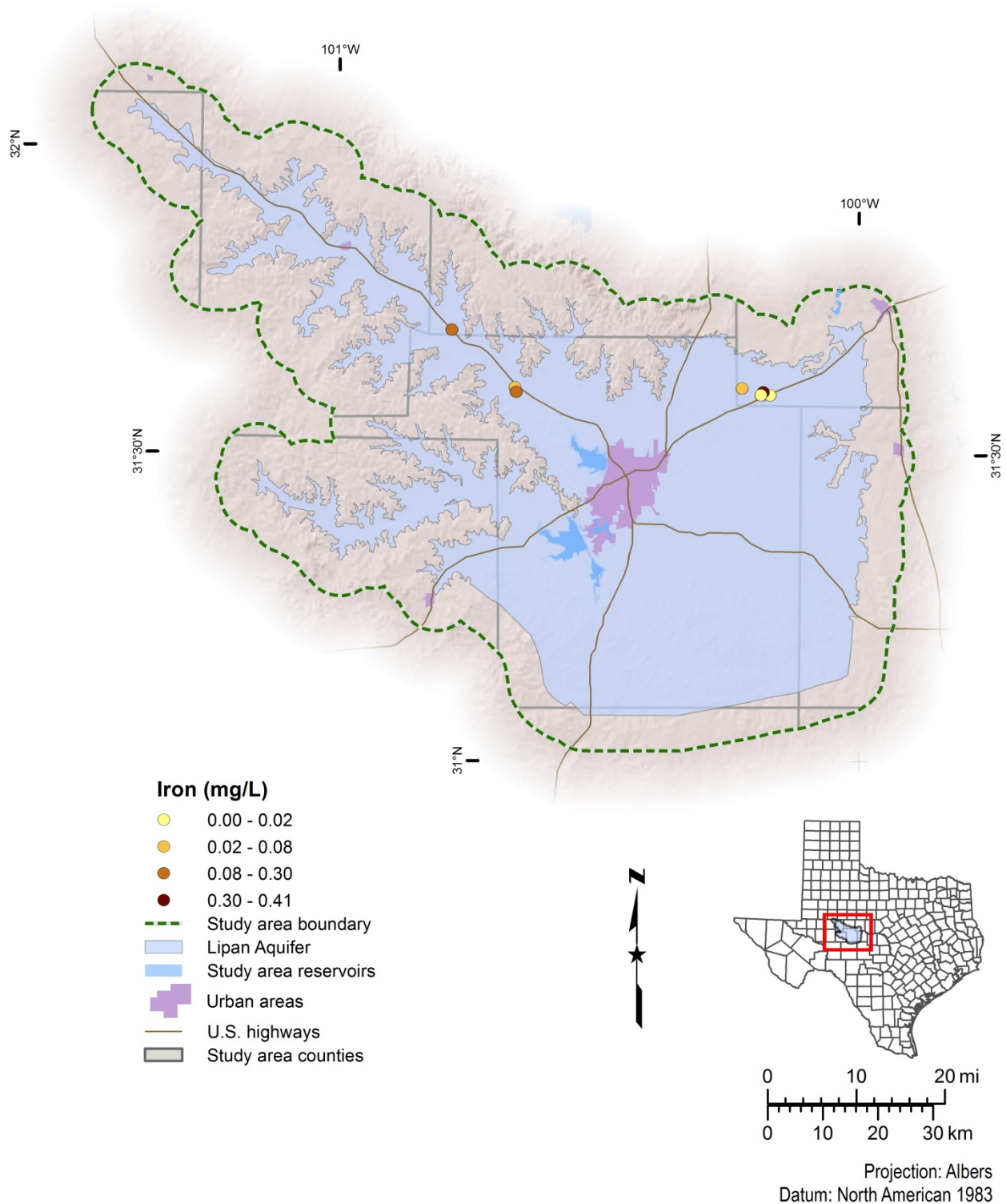


Figure 10.2-4. Distribution of wells sampled for iron. mg/L = milligrams per liter.

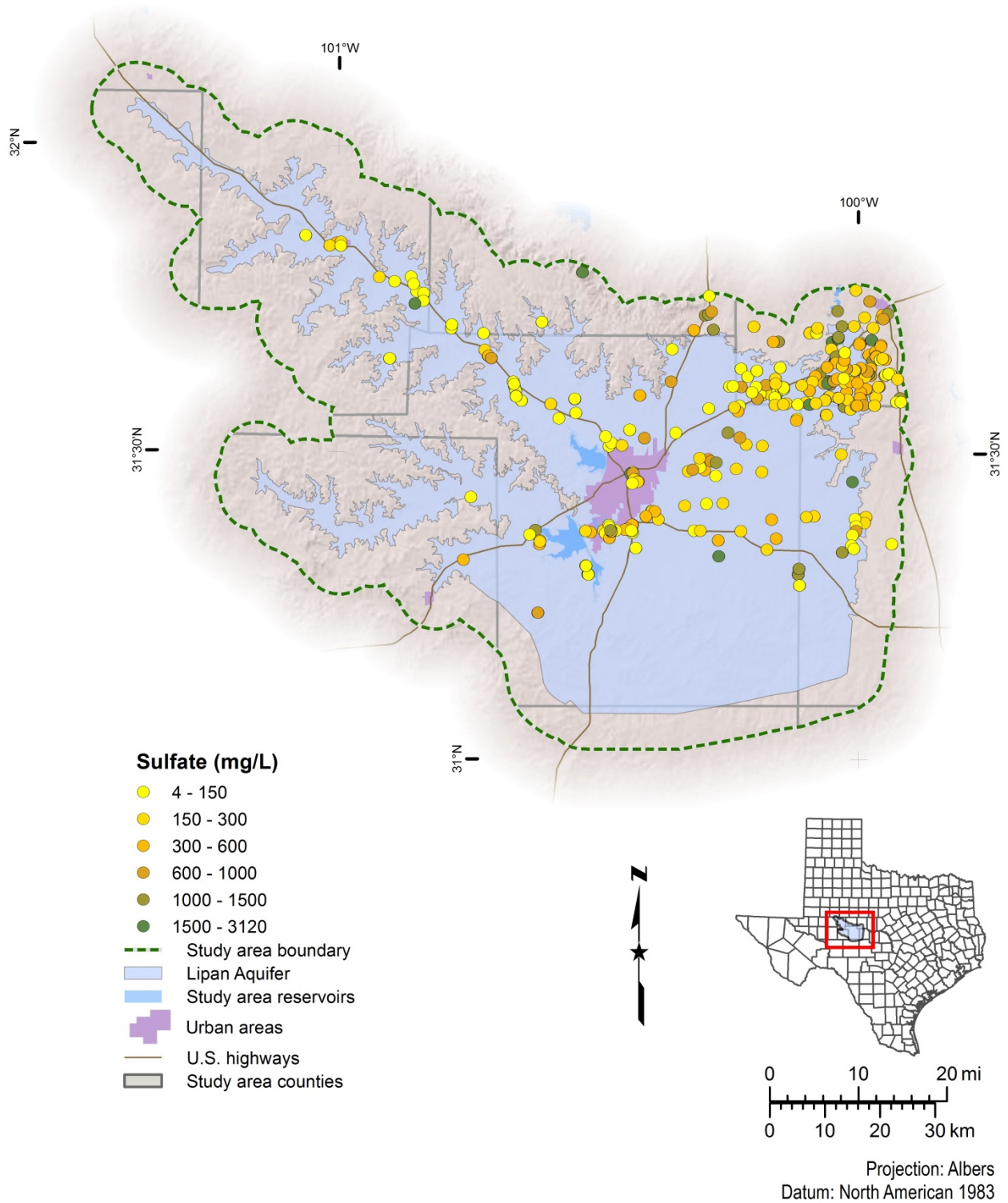


Figure 10.2-5. Distribution of wells sampled for sulfate. mg/L = milligrams per liter.

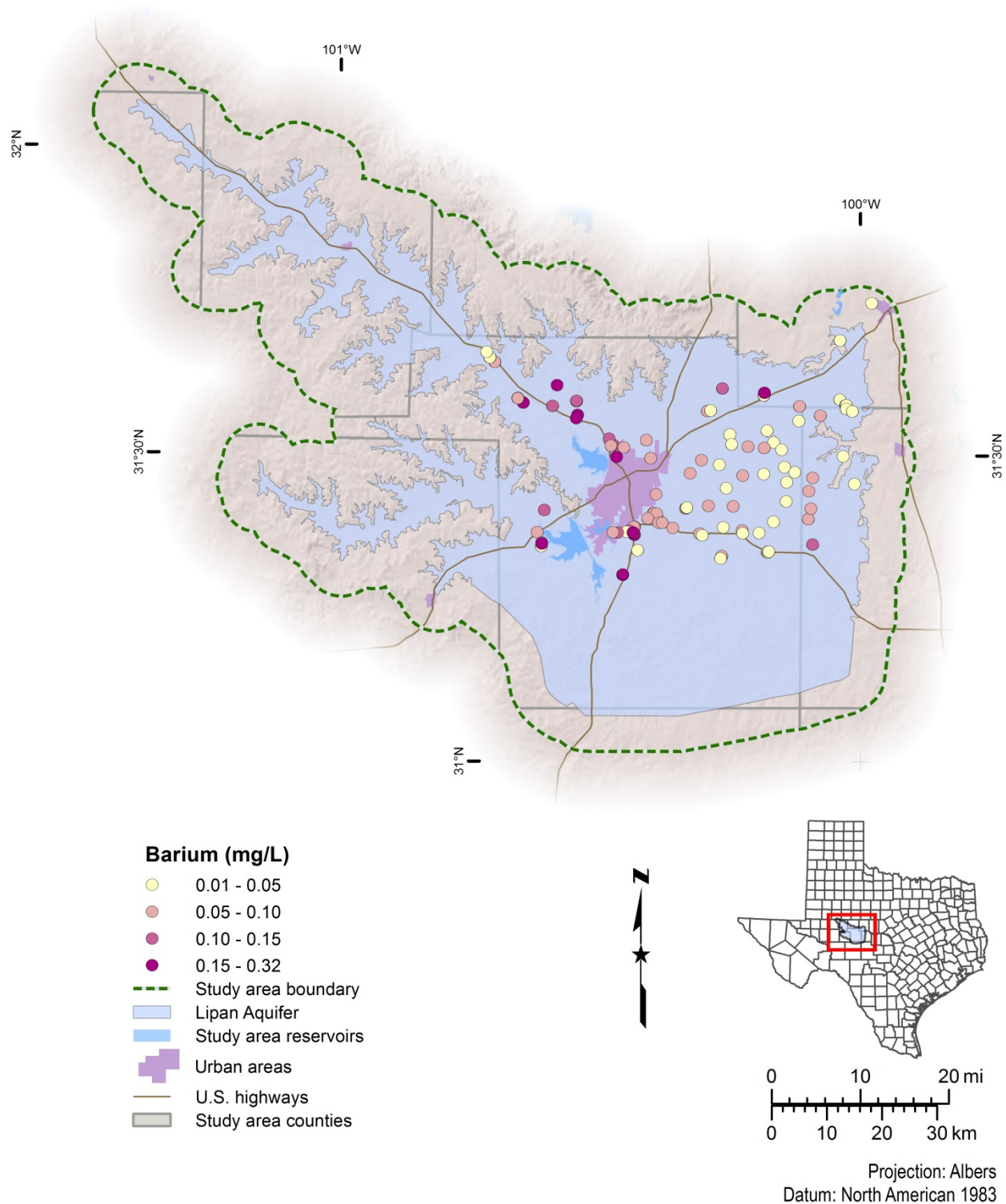


Figure 10.2-6. Distribution of wells sampled for dissolved barium. mg/L = milligrams per liter.

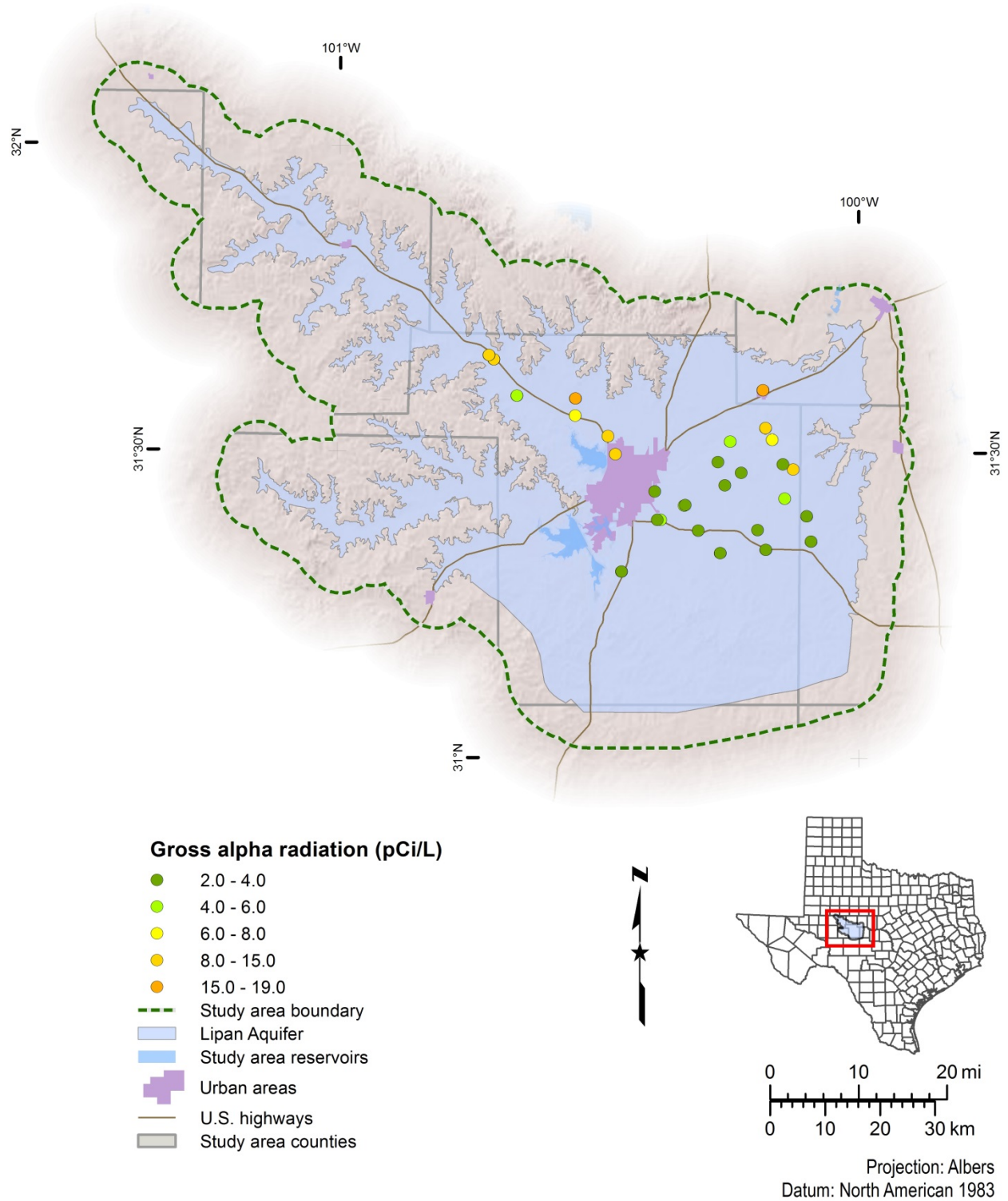


Figure 10.2-7. Distribution of wells sampled for gross alpha radiation. pCi/L = picoCuries per liter.

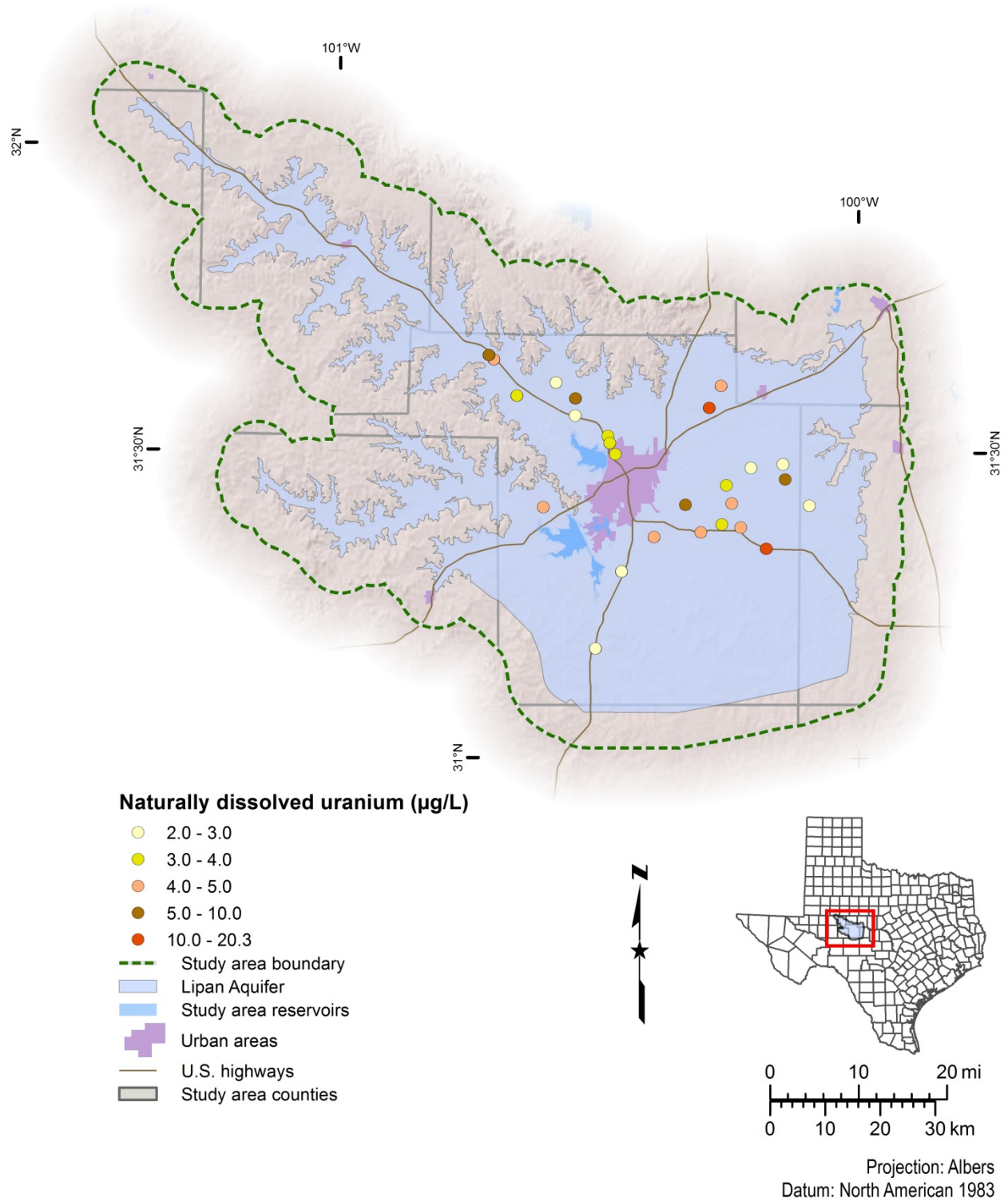


Figure 10.2-8. Distribution of wells sampled for uranium. $\mu\text{g/L}$ = micrograms per liter.

10.3 Sources of dissolved minerals

Salinity within the Lipan Aquifer is the result of both natural and anthropogenic causes. Natural sources of salinity include the dissolution of Permian evaporites (primarily halite, anhydrite, and gypsum) and evaporative concentration of water. Anthropogenic sources include (1) improper irrigation methods; (2) past disposal practices of oil and gas produced water; (3) spills and leaks from oil fields; (4) abandoned water, oil, and gas wells; (5) irrigation return-flow; and (6) well pumping allowing recharge from higher salinity water.

Dutton and others (1989) discuss in detail the regional-scale migration of subsurface brines through the Permian formations and their natural mixing with locally recharged meteoric water. Comparing chemical characterizations of deep subsurface brines to waters sampled in shallow water wells, they found that it is highly probable that natural subsurface brines are upwelling and mixing with meteoric recharge. The concentration of these brines is influenced by cross-formational flow from the underlying Permian formations, the rate at which groundwater is removed from the shallow aquifer units, and the recharge rate.

Richter and Kreitler (1987) provide a detailed description of the anthropogenic sources of contamination that have occurred or could occur in the study area. They conclude that, based upon the geochemical analysis of saline waters, agricultural salinization and deep-basin brines are the primary sources for saline water in the study area.

10.4 Cretaceous/Permian formations interaction

This study is not focused on the Cretaceous formations that overlie the Permian formations we have identified as constituting the majority of the Lipan Aquifer. However, we did investigate where there are cases of interaction between the two formations. The first case is when wells penetrate the Cretaceous formations and are completed in underlying Permian formations. The second case is when there may be mixing of water from the Seven Rivers Formation with that of the overlying Cretaceous formations. Most wells completed in the Lipan Aquifer (where Cretaceous formations do not exist) are completed in either Permian formations or a combination of Permian formations and Quaternary and Neogene sediments. As an example, 323 of 339 available wells (95 percent) meet this criteria and have water quality data.

We found 3 of 137 wells (2 percent) with water quality samples from wells completed in the study area overlain by Cretaceous formations that significantly penetrated Permian formations (Table 10.4-1). These well locations are symbolized as circles in Figure 10.4-1.

Table 10.4-1. Wells drilled into Cretaceous and Permian formations. Contact interval is defined as the length the well is within the formation; it does not indicate if the well is open during this interval. Static water level and well depth is in feet below ground surface.

| State well number | Total dissolved solids (milligrams per liter) | Static water level (feet) | Total well depth (feet) | Cretaceous formation thickness (feet) | Permian contact interval (feet) | Permian formation contacted |
|-------------------|---|---------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 4241501 | 2,848 | 171 | 225 | 59 | 166 | Lueders |
| 4327406 | 384 | 24 | 280 | 60 | 104 | Seven Rivers |
| 4360608 | 2,004 | 180 | 450 | 389 | 61 | Grayburg |

Salinity levels in samples from wells completed in Cretaceous formations in the area typically range from 200 to 400 milligrams per liter of total dissolved solids. Water samples from two wells (state well numbers 4241501 and 4360608) had significantly higher salinity concentrations, 2,000 to 2,800 milligrams per liter of total dissolved solids. The first well had a considerable interval in contact with the Lueders Formation and the second contacted the Grayburg Formation. We do not have well construction data for these wells, so what interval(s) the wells were open is undetermined. Based on the predicted salinity levels below the top of the Permian formations presented in Section 14.2, elevated salinities such as these could be expected at these depths.

We evaluated one well (state well number 437406) with a significant Permian formation penetration that did not exhibit elevated salinity levels. The construction of the well is open hole and we calculate that 104 feet of the well is completed in the Seven Rivers Formation. It may be that (1) the shallow static water level resulting from the well's location at the base of a moderate slope and close proximity to a stream limits flow from the Seven Rivers Formation into the well at this site, (2) the native groundwater of the Seven Rivers Formation has been displaced by recharge from the Cretaceous aquifer, or (3) the Seven Rivers Formation does not have significant water-producing capability.

There is also a cluster of four wells that (1) exhibit high salinity, (2) partially penetrate the Cretaceous aquifer, and (3) are vertically separated from the underlying Permian formations (Table 10.4-2). These well locations are symbolized as squares in Figure 10.4-1.

Table 10.4-2. Wells drilled into Cretaceous with high salinity. Static water level is in feet below ground surface. Contact interval is defined as the interval the well is within the formation; it does not indicate if the well is open during this interval. Well depth is in feet below ground surface.

| State well number | Total dissolved solids (milligrams per liter) | Static water level (feet) | Total well depth (feet) | Cretaceous formation thickness (feet) | Vertical separation from well bottom to Seven Rivers Formation top (feet) |
|--------------------------|--|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|--|
| 4344701 | 1,988 | 70-77 | 80 | 152 | 72 |
| 4352202 | 1,249 | 106 | 150 | 266 | 116 |
| 4359303 | 1,579 | 390 | 450 | 568 | 118 |
| 4360101 | 2,346 | 206-213 | 270 | 399 | 129 |

The vertical separation from the bottom of the wells to the top of the underlying Seven Rivers Formation ranges from approximately 72 feet to 129 feet. The higher salinity may be an indicator of hydrologic communication between the Cretaceous formations and underlying Seven Rivers Formation. This may be due to localized geological structural or hydraulic conditions. Other wells sampled in the area with similar vertical separation do not exhibit this condition. Additional data and analysis would be required to further explain the behavior. However, drillers and potential users of groundwater in the area should be aware of this situation.

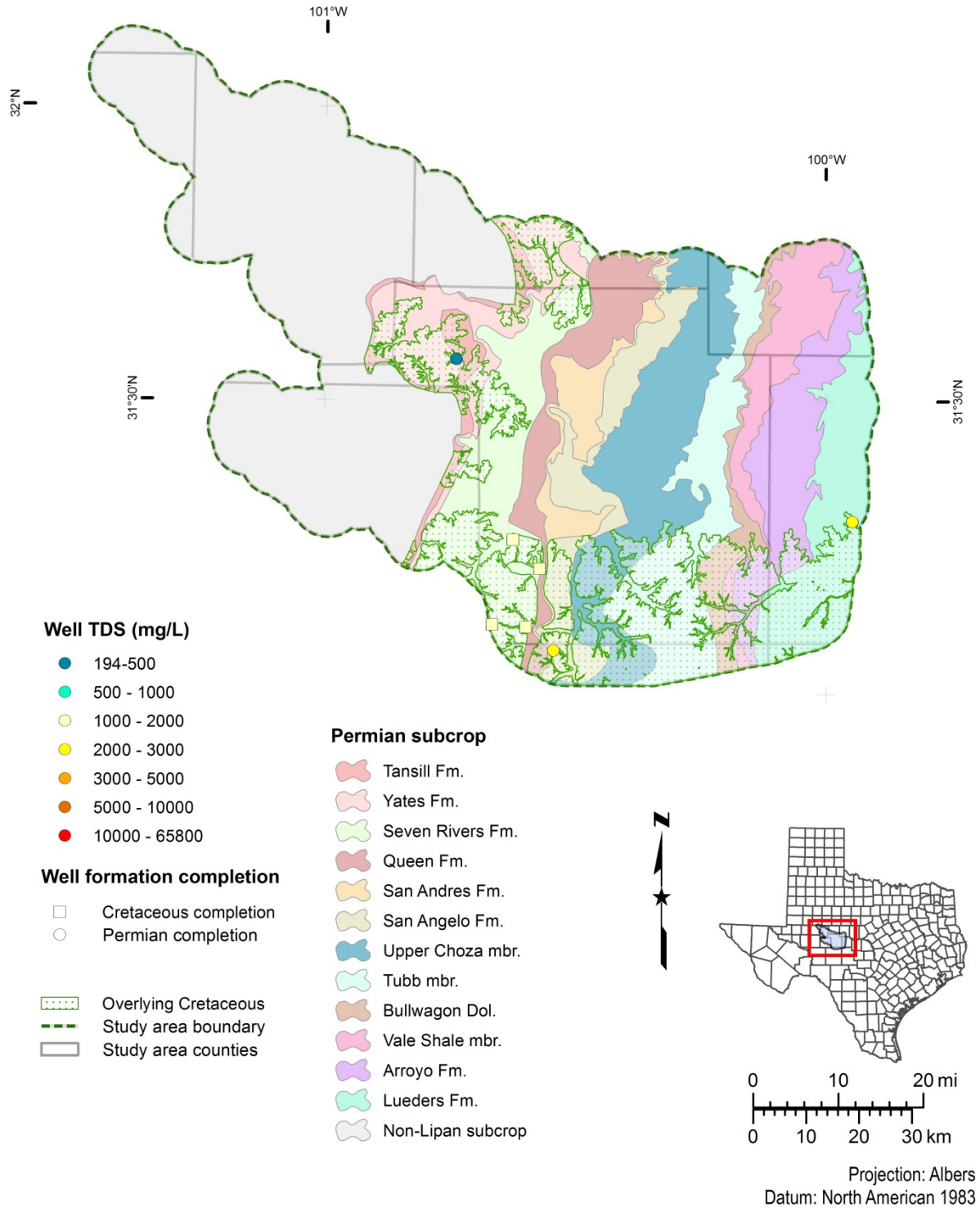


Figure 10.4-1. Areas of potential Cretaceous/Permian interaction within the Lipan Aquifer study. Shaded areas indicate where Permian formations either outcrop or subcrop below overlying Quaternary and Neogene sediments or Cretaceous formations. The Grayburg Formation subcrops below the Queen Formation and is not shown. The stippled green area indicates Cretaceous formations overlying Lipan Permian formations. Dol. = dolomite, Fm. = formation, mbr. = member, mg/L = milligrams per liter, TDS = total dissolved solids.

11. Salinity calculations from geophysical well logs

Geophysical well logs were used extensively during the course of this study for stratigraphic interpretation and to calculate interpreted total dissolved solids concentration of groundwater at different depths. In this section we will provide some basic information on the nature and capabilities of geophysical well logs and the methods used in this study to calculate total dissolved solids concentration from various curves recorded on the well logs.

11.1 Geophysical well log tools

Geophysical well logs are produced from tools that are lowered into a well bore with a wireline and retrieved back to the ground surface at a specific rate. Combinations of different tools can be assembled in standard “packages” to measure various formation, fluid, borehole, casing, and cement properties. The geophysical well log tools are selected based on several factors including (1) anticipated geology, (2) information required from logging, (3) cased or uncased bore holes, and (4) the composition of the well bore fluid (air or drilling mud). The tools have progressively improved since they were first applied to oil field investigations in the 1930s. The geophysical well logs collected for this study were produced between 1940 and the present.

Oil wells are generally logged after a section of surface casing is installed in order to stabilize the wellbore and to protect shallow groundwater aquifers. The length of the surface casing installed in oil wells within the study area varies from a few hundred to over one thousand feet below the ground surface. The amount of information that can be collected from the ground surface to the bottom of the surface casing is limited. With the exception of the gamma ray and neutron tools, the section of the wellbore containing surface casing cannot be logged. Older wells generally had a shallower bottom depth of surface casing, making these logs important for near-surface interpretations.

Resistivity tools

The resistivity of a formation can be measured with geophysical logging tools that pass electricity into the formation and record voltages between measuring electrodes. The resistivity of dry rock is usually extremely high (with the exception of metallic ores), so the only way that electricity can pass through a formation is if the rock is saturated by groundwater containing dissolved minerals. The groundwater is contained either in the pores between mineral grains or adsorbed in interstitial clay. Tools with deep depths of investigation are needed to minimize the influence of borehole fluid, mud filter cake, and the groundwater invasion zone.

A normal resistivity log usually consists of multiple tools used to measure the resistivity of the geological formation and groundwater surrounding the borehole at different depths of investigation. The spacing between the electrodes is directly proportional to the depth of investigation, with larger spacing offering deeper depth of investigation. Resistivity measurements are affected by the borehole, drilling fluid, mud filter cake, borehole fluid invasion zone, lithology of the formation being investigated, lithology of surrounding formations, and formation groundwater. Resistivity tool measurements are usually presented on the right track of a geophysical well log in units of ohm-meter. A conductivity track may also be present and is calculated from the inverse of the resistivity measurement.

The induction log is a deep investigation tool used to measure the resistivity of the geological formation and groundwater surrounding the borehole. This type of log uses focusing coils to direct the electricity into the formation and minimize the influence of the borehole, drilling fluid, surrounding formations, mud filter cake, and the invaded zone (Schlumberger, 1987). Induction tool measurements are usually presented on the right track of a geophysical well log in units of ohm-meter.

Spontaneous potential tool

The spontaneous potential log is a record of the direct current reading between a fixed electrode at the ground surface and a movable electrode (spontaneous potential tool) in the well bore. The tool must be run in an open borehole with a conductive drilling mud. Spontaneous potential is measured in millivolts. The electrochemical factors that create the spontaneous potential response are based on the salinity difference between the borehole mud filtrate and the groundwater within permeable beds (Asquith, 1982). A negative deflection of the spontaneous potential response occurs when the mud filtrate is more resistive than groundwater. A positive deflection occurs when mud filtrate is less resistive than groundwater. The spontaneous potential response of shale is relatively constant and is referred to as the shale baseline. When the mud filtrate resistivity is the same as groundwater resistivity, there is no deflection of the spontaneous potential response from the shale baseline. The permeable bed boundaries are detected at the point of inflection of spontaneous potential response.

Spontaneous potential deflection is affected by the type of cation species (positive ions such as calcium, magnesium, potassium, or sodium) present in water. Oilfield analysis equations assume that the groundwater is dominated by sodium and chloride ions. Divalent cations (with a plus two charge, such as calcium and magnesium) in groundwater with lower salinity have a larger impact on spontaneous potential deflection than sodium (Alger, 1966). The spontaneous potential response is affected by bed thickness; thin beds do not allow a full spontaneous potential response and must be corrected (Asquith, 1982; Estep, 1998; Schlumberger, 1972). If a sand unit is less than 10 feet thick, the response curve tends to have a pointed shape and requires a correction. We did not use beds thinner than 10 feet to avoid this problem.

The spontaneous potential response is also affected by bed resistivity, borehole invasion of drilling fluid, hydrocarbons, and shale content. Methods to correct borehole invasion of drilling fluid are found in log analysis manuals (for example, Schlumberger, 1985). Shale content reduces the spontaneous potential response. Spontaneous potential tools run in freshwater wells commonly use native mud so that prior to logging the borehole fluid is essentially groundwater. In this situation, the resistivity of groundwater and borehole fluid is almost equal and the spontaneous potential tool is not capable of estimating total dissolved solids concentration (Keys, 1990).

Other factors that may cause significant measurement variations with spontaneous potential tools are (1) improper grounding of the reference electrode at the surface, (2) the presence of electrically charged pipes, (3) current rectifiers, (4) magnetization of some mobile part of the winch, and (5) variations of the free water table in the vadose zone (Torres-Verdin, 2015; Schlumberger, 1972).

Gamma ray tools

Gamma ray logs normally reflect the clay content in sedimentary formations (Schlumberger, 1972). Minerals such as illite and mica contain the radioactive potassium-40 isotope that produces gamma rays in beds containing clay or shale. Gamma ray tools encountering naturally occurring uranium or thorium will record the zone as a much higher measurement than the shale baseline response.

Advantages of using a gamma ray log include (1) it is commonly used on logging runs, (2) it can be recorded in cased holes, (3) it is generally started near ground surface, (4) it can be used to recognize many of the boundaries of geological units, (5) curve patterns can facilitate the interpretation of depositional environments, and (6) it can be used to determine clay-free zones for log analysis.

Concerns when using a gamma ray log include (1) attenuation of the overall log signature in cased and cemented boreholes, (2) masking of the more subtle changes in log response with transition from uncemented to cemented formations, (3) inability to evaluate borehole washouts because of the absence of caliper logs prior to casing the well, (4) lack of tool calibration or complete casing records on the log header, which precludes accurate interpretation, (5) older gamma ray logs may have different units of measure compared with the modern standard of American Petroleum Institute unit, (7) comparison of measurements between tools with different units is problematic, and (8) inability to differentiate clay-free sand, carbonate, and gravel.

11.2 Salinity calculations

It was necessary to use geophysical well logs to calculate the total dissolved solids concentration of deeper groundwater present within the study area because we lacked a significant number of measured water samples. We used 745 wells from the study area with total dissolved solids measurements from water samples. Of these, 566 were sampled from either the Trinity Group or the Dockum Group, which are not part of this study. Of the remaining 179 wells with water samples, only one well (BRACS well identification number 51449) sampled from a depth below 300 feet (LGB-Guyton, 2008). The remainder had an average sample depth of 98 feet below the ground surface. There were 61 water samples with measured total dissolved solids that could be associated with a single Permian formation.

Estep (1998) provided six methods for interpreting total dissolved solids concentration in a geological formation using geophysical well logs. Each of the methods has advantages and disadvantages with respect to the type of logging tool, input parameters, formations being assessed, and expected range of groundwater salinity. Calculating groundwater salinity concentration is a complicated process because of the complexity of the geological environment and because the majority of the existing geophysical well logs were developed for petroleum exploration and production where the groundwater is dominated by high sodium and chloride concentrations.

The equations from Estep (1998) were standardized with similar parameter names and written in Visual Basic for Applications[®] as a class object within the BRACS Database for automated calculation. We entered parameters into a series of data entry forms linked to tables. The type of method is selected, the calculations are performed, and output is written to tables using

Microsoft® Access®. The database tables contain the raw, intermediate, and interpreted values for each parameter for each equation so values can be retrieved for later analysis. For example, one could re-calculate the interpreted total dissolved solids value by selecting the record, entering a new parameter value such as porosity, and running the code.

The Spontaneous Potential Method and Alger-Harrison Method were selected because their input parameters can be directly read from standard resistivity geophysical well logs that are readily available throughout the project area. Additionally, the calculations do not require porosity data, which was not available for the relatively shallow intervals evaluated. Nuclear logs that are used to interpret porosity were available for study area wells; however, these wells were logged over intervals that are deeper than the Lueders Formation, the deepest geological formation in this study.

Well log analysis calibration to water quality samples was not possible because the depth of the water samples averaged 98 feet which is shallower than initial recording depth of geophysical well logs in the study area. The few deeper water samples were many miles away from any wells that had geophysical logs recorded for the sampled formation at a similar depth.

The conversion between a groundwater resistivity value and total dissolved solids requires determination of the ct conversion factor. The ct conversion factor relates conductivity, the inverse of resistivity, to total dissolved solids. The ct conversion factor is determined by crossplotting specific conductance with total dissolved solids from groundwater sample measurements. It is required to utilize well water samples collected from study area geological formations. We crossplotted 95 water samples that were in the TWDB Groundwater Database taken from study area wells that were sampled exclusively from Permian formations (Figure 11.2-1). We determined a ct conversion factor of 0.57 by fitting a trendline to the data and determining the slope (Estepp, 1998).

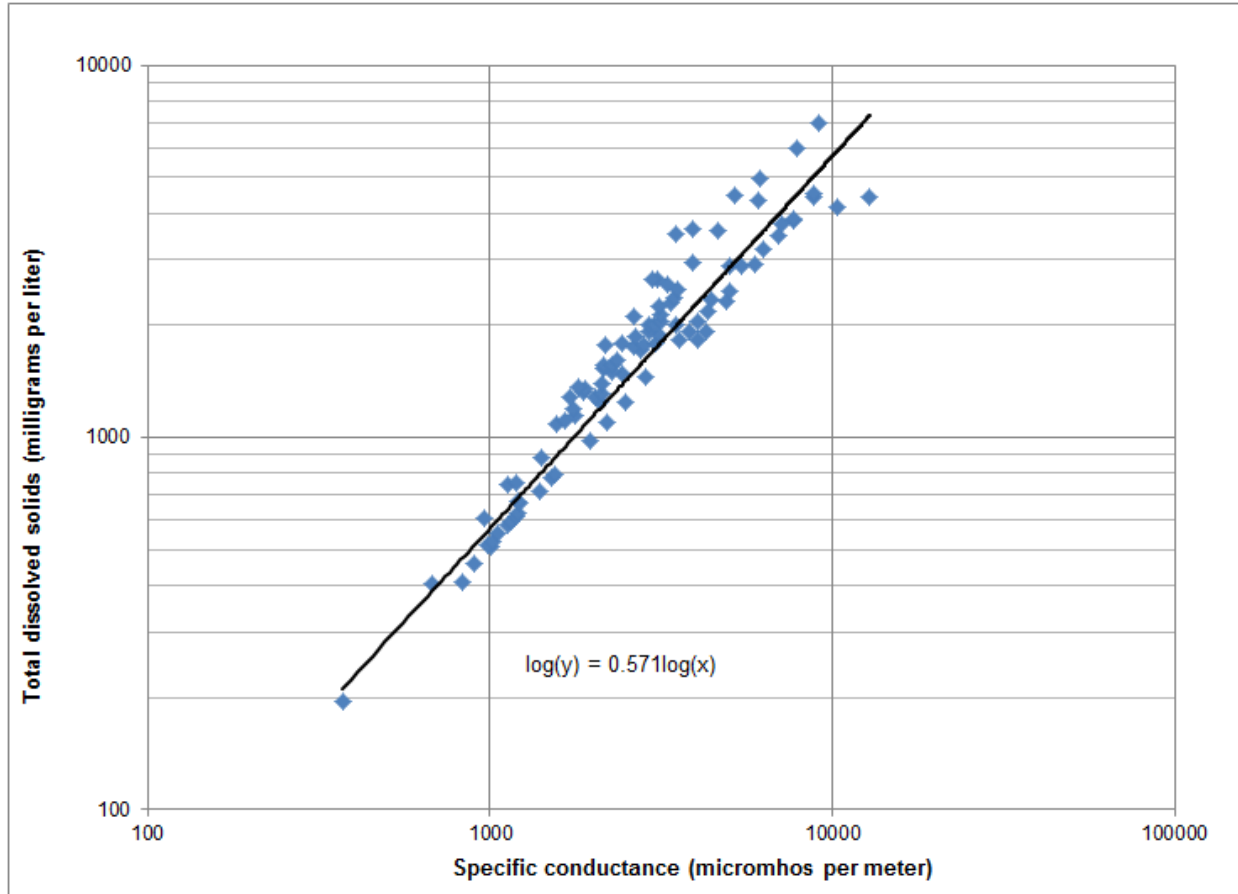


Figure 11.2-1. Crossplot of total dissolved solids concentration versus specific conductance. Plot of 95 water samples from the Permian formations in the study area.

We did not evaluate geophysical well logs with drilling mud that included additives such as “soda” and “caustic” or brine-based mud to avoid inaccurate interpretations in our salinity analysis. Interpretation of logs that were produced over such a long time span and presumably with varying tool designs and accuracies presents challenges. Obviously, some of the older logs simply could not be used in all aspects of the study. The digital image quality of some logs also presented challenges.

11.3 The Spontaneous Potential Method

The Spontaneous Potential Method provides a relatively simple way to calculate total dissolved solids concentrations in permeable water-bearing strata. The method is effective where groundwater salinities may range from 100 to 100,000 milligrams per liter of total dissolved solids. In strata of sufficient thickness where the spontaneous potential curve achieves full deflection, the calculated water resistivity will be a maximum for that strata and result in a minimum value for the interpreted total dissolved solids concentration (Estepp, 1998).

Care must be taken when using the Spontaneous Potential Method to measure the spontaneous potential curve deflection where the strata are sufficiently thick and permeable so that the measurement records the maximum possible curve development. The presence of shale within the strata will suppress the development of the spontaneous potential curve. Hydrocarbons

present within the pore space will also suppress the spontaneous potential curve. Suppression of the spontaneous potential curve will result in calculated water resistivity values being too high and corresponding interpreted total dissolved solids too low (Estepp, 1998).

We made 742 calculations for interpreted total dissolved solids using the Spontaneous Potential Method. The results were inconsistent, and we determined that the measured spontaneous potential values did not represent the true maximum deflection necessary to accurately calculate the formation water resistivity. The Permian formations in the study area are largely composed of dolomitic limestone interbedded with siltstone and shale, which suppressed the spontaneous potential response. Upon further literature review, we determined that there is no experimental or theoretical support for using the Spontaneous Potential Method in well-lithified carbonate rocks that make up the majority of the Permian formations in the study area (Schlumberger, 1972). This method was discarded, and none of these calculations were used to determine the salinity zones in the study area.

The Spontaneous Potential Method requires several input parameters in order to calculate an interpreted total dissolved solids concentration (Table 11.3-1). The parameters are described in detail in the following sections. If a parameter could not be measured, we made a reasonable assumption based on the geology of the formation being investigated.

Table 11.3-1. Input parameters for the Spontaneous Potential Method.

| Parameter | Symbol | Units |
|----------------------------------|----------------|--------------------|
| Depth total | D_t | Feet |
| Depth formation | D_f | Feet |
| Temperature surface | T_s | Degrees Fahrenheit |
| Temperature bottom hole | T_{bh} | Degrees Fahrenheit |
| Resistivity of the mud filtrate | R_{mf} | Ohm-meter |
| Temperature of the mud filtrate | R_{mf_temp} | Degrees Fahrenheit |
| Spontaneous potential deflection | SP | Millivolts |
| CT conversion factor | Ct | (dimensionless) |

Depth total

The total depth of the well is required to calculate the formation temperature at the depth of investigation. If a well was logged during multiple runs, each run represents a different depth range; the total depth of the logging run applicable to the depth of investigation must be used.

Depth formation

The depth of the formation being investigated is required to calculate the formation temperature. The depth of the middle of a given sand unit is obtained from the geophysical well log and recorded in the BRACS Database table. The depth is not corrected for kelly bushing height (kelly bushing depth corrections are made prior to GIS analysis of well points when mapping the three dimensional limits of the salinity zones).

Temperature surface

Surface temperature is required to calculate the formation temperature at the depth of investigation. Forrest and others (2005) state that mean annual surface temperature data is used for geothermal gradient calculations. Temperature records from 1951 to 1980 compiled by Larkin and Bomar (1983) indicate mean annual surface temperature in the study area ranged from 65 to 66 degrees Fahrenheit. Interpreted total dissolved solids calculations in this study used a surface temperature value of 65 degrees Fahrenheit.

Temperature bottom hole

Bottom hole temperature is required to calculate the formation temperature at the depth of investigation. Bottom hole temperature is found on the geophysical well log header. If a well was logged during multiple runs, with each run representing a different depth range, the bottom hole temperature of the logging run applicable to the depth of investigation must be used. Bottom hole temperatures are valid if the temperature was recorded after the drilling fluids in the bottom of the hole have equilibrated with the deepest formation (Forrest and others, 2005). Since there is no way to know if this situation has occurred, one must assume the bottom hole temperature is correct.

If the bottom hole temperature is missing from the log header, a bottom hole temperature can be calculated using the well site surface temperature and well depth (or depth of logging run) with a geothermal gradient calculated from the log of a nearby well with complete information. Calculated bottom hole temperatures are noted in the database table with supporting information.

Resistivity of the mud filtrate

Resistivity of the mud filtrate is recorded on the log header by the mud engineer. The resistivity of the mud filtrate is corrected to formation temperature (Estepp, 1998). If the resistivity of mud filtrate is not recorded on the log header, there are circumstances when the resistivity of the mud can be converted to a mud filtrate resistivity based on the drilling mud weight and mud type (Estepp, 1998; Schlumberger, 1985). Geophysical well logs where these conditions cannot be met are not used for log analysis.

Temperature of the mud filtrate

Temperature of the mud filtrate is recorded on the log header by the mud engineer. The temperature can be a surface or bottom hole value.

Spontaneous potential deflection

The spontaneous potential value is read from the geophysical well log in units of millivolts; it does not matter if the response is positive or negative. The spontaneous potential is determined after establishing the shale and sand baselines. The spontaneous potential response of shale is relatively constant and the shale baseline is determined by drawing a line connecting the maximum deflection of the shale beds. A sand baseline is determined using the same method, but connecting the maximum deflection of the sand beds.

The spontaneous potential value should be taken from a thick, shale-free, hydrocarbon-free sand bed. Thinner sand beds where the spontaneous potential response is not complete will need to have a spontaneous potential correction performed.

ct conversion factor

The ct conversion factor represents total dissolved solids concentration divided by specific conductance and is determined empirically from water quality samples. The ct conversion factor has a range of .55 to .75 for waters of ordinary composition up to total dissolved solids concentration of a few thousand milligrams per liter (Hem, 1985). Based upon the crossplot of total dissolved solids concentration versus specific conductance (Figure 11.2-1) the study ct conversion factor of 0.57 was used.

Spontaneous Potential Method procedure

The Spontaneous Potential Method was used for interpreted total dissolved solids calculations using the BRACS Database data entry form (formulas derived from Estepp, 1998). The calculations using the input parameters and formulas are run in Visual Basic for Applications tied to a command button on the data entry form. Note that this process could be performed with other software, provided the formulas are coded in the proper sequence. The key steps include the following:

- 1) Determine the input parameters and enter these values into the BRACS Database data entry forms.
- 2) Determine the formation being evaluated and enter this value into the data entry form.
- 3) Run the Spontaneous Method code to determine the interpreted total dissolved solids concentration for this depth and formation.
- 4) Repeat for each formation of interest on the geophysical well log.

Spontaneous Potential Method formulas

- 1. Determine the temperature of the formation being investigated.

$$T_f = (G_g \cdot D_f) + T_s$$

- T_f** = Temperature formation (units: degrees Fahrenheit)
- D_f** = Depth formation (units: feet)
- G_g** = Geothermal gradient (units: degrees Fahrenheit per foot)
- T_s** = Temperature surface (units: degrees Fahrenheit)

$$G_g = (T_{bh} - T_s) / D_t$$

- G_g** = Geothermal gradient (units: degrees Fahrenheit per foot)
- T_{bh}** = Temperature bottom hole (units: degrees Fahrenheit)
- T_s** = Temperature surface (units: degrees Fahrenheit)
- D_t** = Depth total (units: feet)

2. Correct resistivity of the mud filtrate to temperature at formation depth.

$$\mathbf{R_{mf_Tf}} = \mathbf{R_{mf}} \cdot (\mathbf{R_{mf_temp}} / \mathbf{T_f})$$

| | | |
|-------------------------|---|--|
| $\mathbf{R_{mf}}$ | = | Resistivity mud filtrate (units: ohm-meter) |
| $\mathbf{R_{mf_Tf}}$ | = | Resistivity mud filtrate at temperature formation (units: ohm-meter) |
| $\mathbf{R_{mf_temp}}$ | = | Resistivity mud filtrate temperature (units: degrees Fahrenheit) |
| $\mathbf{T_f}$ | = | Temperature formation (units: degrees Fahrenheit) |

3. Correct resistivity of the mud filtrate for mud type.

$$\mathbf{R_{mf_Tf}} = \mathbf{R_{mf_cor}} * (\mathbf{R_{mf}} * (\mathbf{R_{mf_temp}} / \mathbf{T_f}))$$

$$\text{If } \mathbf{R_{mf}} \geq 5 \text{ then: } \mathbf{R_{mf_cor}} = \mathbf{1.75}$$

$$\text{Otherwise: } \mathbf{R_{mf_cor}} = \mathbf{1}$$

| | | |
|-------------------------|---|--|
| $\mathbf{R_{mf}}$ | = | Resistivity mud filtrate (units: ohm-meter) |
| $\mathbf{R_{mf_Tf}}$ | = | Resistivity mud filtrate at formation temperature (units: ohm-meter) |
| $\mathbf{R_{mf_temp}}$ | = | Resistivity mud filtrate temperature (units: degrees Fahrenheit) |
| $\mathbf{T_f}$ | = | Temperature formation (units: degrees Fahrenheit) |

4. Calculate the temperature dependent constant (K).

$$\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{61} + (\mathbf{0.133} \cdot \mathbf{T_f})$$

| | | |
|----------------|---|---|
| \mathbf{K} | = | Temperature dependent constant (units: dimensionless) |
| $\mathbf{T_f}$ | = | Temperature formation (units: degrees Fahrenheit) |

5. Determine spontaneous potential value from geophysical log (Figure 11.3-1).

- Select shale-free, hydrocarbon-free, thick bed on the spontaneous potential track
- Define the shale baseline on the spontaneous potential track
- Determine SP value. Record value as +/- in units of millivolts
- If bed is thin, use spontaneous potential correction chart (Asquith, 1982, p. 34).
- If borehole invasion is present, use spontaneous potential correction charts (Schlumberger, 1985, Chart SP3)

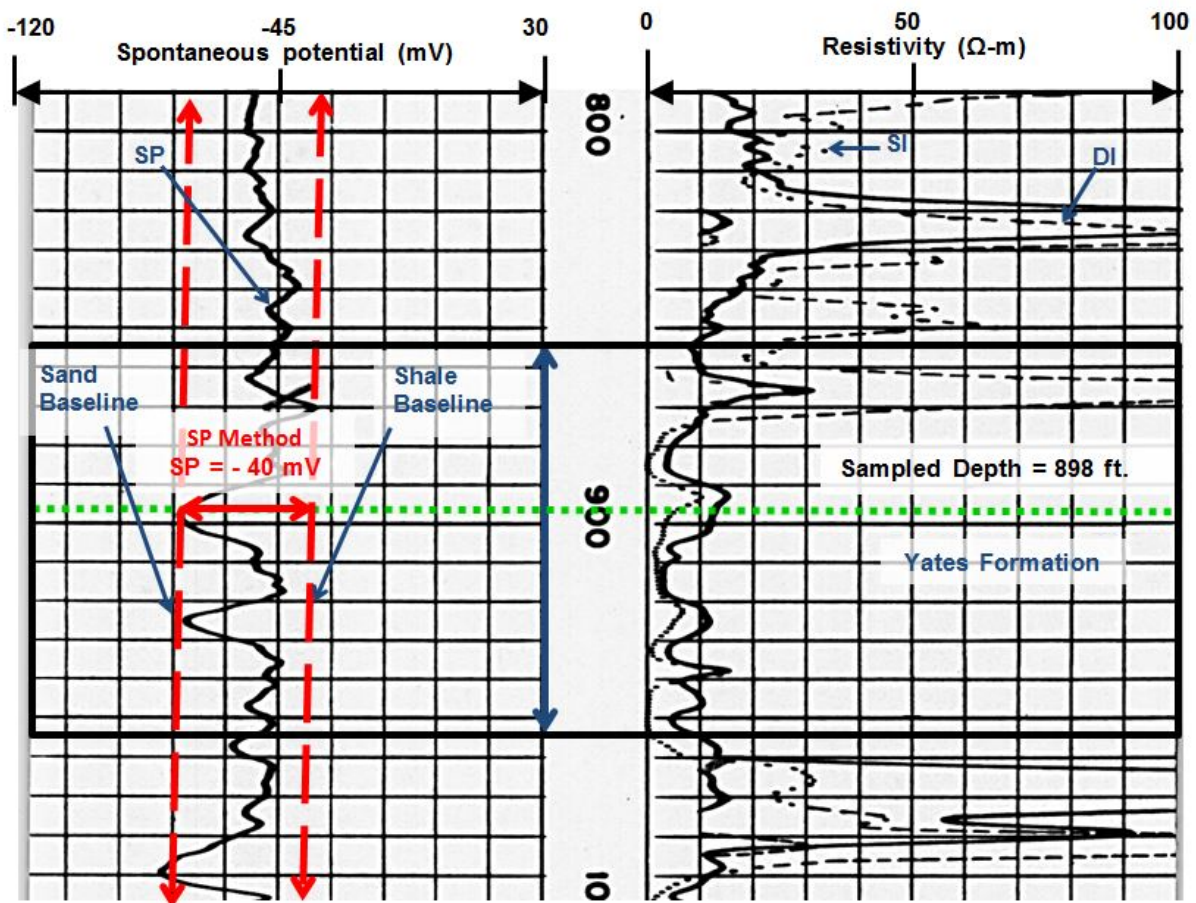


Figure 11.3-1. Example of the Spontaneous Potential Method applied to the Yates Formation (BRACS well identification number 35809). The spontaneous potential tool is shown in the left track, depth (in feet below ground surface) is shown in the middle track, and the shallow and deep induction tools are shown in the right track. DI = deep induction, mV = millivolts, SI = short induction, SP = spontaneous potential.

6. Calculate the resistivity of water equivalent (R_{we}).

$$R_{we} = 10^{[(SP + K \cdot (\text{Log } R_{mf_Tf})) / K]}$$

- K** = Temperature dependent constant (units: dimensionless)
- SP** = Spontaneous potential (units: millivolts)
- R_{we}** = Resistivity water equivalent (units: ohm-meter)
- R_{mf_Tf}** = Resistivity of the mud filtrate at temperature formation (units: ohm-meter)

7. Calculate resistivity of water from resistivity of water equivalent based on groundwater type correction factor ($R_{we_R_w_cor}$).

$$R_w = R_{we_R_w_cor} \cdot R_{we}$$

- R_{we} = Resistivity water equivalent (units: ohm-meter)
 $R_{we_R_w_cor}$ = Groundwater type correction factor (units: dimensionless)
 R_w = Resistivity of water (units: ohm-meter)

Note: The following values can be used for water types:

- $R_{we_R_w_cor} = 1.33$ for average sodium bicarbonate (Estep, 2010).
- $R_{we_R_w_cor} = 1.75$ for high sodium bicarbonate (Alger, 1966).
- $R_{we_R_w_cor} = 1.1$ for average sodium sulfate (Estep, 2010).
- $R_{we_R_w_cor} = 1.0$ for sodium chloride solutions (Estep, 2010).

For this study, $R_{we_R_w_cor} = 1$, therefore $R_w = R_{we}$.

8. Convert resistivity of water at temperature formation to 75 °F (R_{w75})

$$R_{w75} = R_w \cdot (T_f / 75)$$

- T_f = Temperature formation (units: degrees Fahrenheit)
 R_w = Resistivity of water (units: ohm-meter)
 R_{w75} = Resistivity of water at 75 °F (units: ohm-meter)

9. Convert resistivity of water at 75 °F to conductivity of water at 75 °F (C_w).

$$C_w = 10,000 / R_{w75}$$

- C_w = Conductivity of water at 75 °F (units: microsiemens per centimeter)
 R_{w75} = Resistivity of water at 75 °F (units: ohm-meter)

Note: Conductivity is the reciprocal of resistivity. The value of 10,000 is used to convert the units appropriately.

10. Calculate total dissolved solids (TDS) using the specific conductance – TDS conversion factor (ct).

$$\text{TDS} = \text{ct} \cdot C_w$$

| | | |
|----------------------|---|--|
| TDS | = | Interpreted total dissolved solids (units: milligrams per liter) |
| ct | = | ct conversion factor (units: dimensionless) |
| C_w | = | Conductivity water at 75°F (units: microsiemens per centimeter) |

11.4 The Alger-Harrison Method

The Alger-Harrison Method is commonly used for determining the formation water resistivity by using the ratio of the shallow and deep resistivity curves (Estepp, 1998). The method takes advantage of the Archie equation for water saturation by setting the ratio of the resistivity of the formation water to the measured deep resistivity equal to the ratio of the resistivity of the mud filtrate to the measured shallow resistivity. This relationship has been demonstrated experimentally (Schlumberger, 1972) for a thick clean formation with an even distribution of porosity.

The Alger-Harrison Method uses measured resistivity data exclusively as a way to interpret salinity from geophysical well logs. Because resistivity curves are commonly included in geophysical well logs we were able to calculate 771 total dissolved solids concentration values. We used these calculated total dissolved solids values along with those measured from water samples to determine the salinity zones in the study area.

Shallow and deep resistivity curves may be influenced by drilling mud filtrate invasion in the formation of interest. Therefore, geophysical well logs that had invasion issues or had problems with resistivity curves were omitted. We also determined that the correction of resistivity measurements to account for mud filtrate invasion was unnecessary for this project. Industry-prepared mud filtrate invasion correction charts are exclusive to their respective electric logging tools, so every log would need a different correction chart to correct resistivity values. We observed that the maximum variance possible for a calculated salinity value when using a constant for the mud filtrate value was a 15 percent change from the final calculated salinity value and the variance in calculated salinity values decreases as salinity increases. The resistivity readings made for the Lipan Aquifer study were corrected to formation temperature using the guidelines set by Estepp (1998).

The Alger-Harrison Method requires several input parameters in order to calculate an interpreted total dissolved solids concentration (Table 11.4-1). The Alger-Harrison Method parameters are described in detail in the following sections. If a parameter could not be measured, we made a reasonable assumption based on the geology of the formation being investigated.

Table 11.4-1. Input parameters for the Alger-Harrison Method.

| Parameter | Symbol | Units |
|---------------------------------|----------------|--------------------|
| Depth total | D_t | Feet |
| Depth formation | D_f | Feet |
| Temperature surface | T_s | Degrees Fahrenheit |
| Temperature bottom hole | T_{bh} | Degrees Fahrenheit |
| Resistivity of the mud filtrate | R_{mf} | Ohm-meter |
| Temperature of the mud filtrate | R_{mf_temp} | Degrees Fahrenheit |
| Shallow resistivity | R_{xo} | Ohm-meter |
| Deep resistivity | R_o | Ohm-meter |
| ct conversion factor | ct | (dimensionless) |

Depth total

The total depth of the well is required to calculate the formation temperature at the depth of investigation. If a well was logged during multiple runs, each run represents a different depth range; the total depth of the logging run applicable to the depth of investigation must be used.

Depth formation

The depth of the formation being investigated is required to calculate the formation temperature. The depth of the middle of a given sand unit is obtained from the geophysical well log and recorded in the BRACS Database table. The depth is not corrected for kelly bushing height (kelly bushing depth corrections are made prior to GIS analysis of well points when mapping the three dimensional limits of the salinity zones).

Temperature surface

Surface temperature is required to calculate the formation temperature at the depth of investigation. Forrest and others (2005) state that mean annual surface temperature data is used for geothermal gradient calculations. Temperature records from 1951-1980 compiled by Larkin and Bomar (1983) indicate mean annual surface temperature in the study area ranged from 65 to 66 degrees Fahrenheit. Interpreted total dissolved solids calculations in this study used a surface temperature value of 65 degrees Fahrenheit.

Temperature bottom hole

Bottom hole temperature is required to calculate the formation temperature at the depth of investigation. Bottom hole temperature is found on the geophysical well log header. If a well was logged during multiple runs, with each run representing a different depth range, the bottom hole temperature of the logging run applicable to the depth of investigation must be used. Bottom hole temperatures are valid if the temperature was recorded after the drilling fluids in the bottom of the hole have equilibrated with the deepest formation (Forrest and others, 2005). Since there is no way to know if this situation has occurred, one must assume the bottom hole temperature is correct.

If the bottom hole temperature is missing from the log header, a bottom hole temperature can be calculated using the well site surface temperature and well depth (or depth of logging run) with a

geothermal gradient calculated from the log of a nearby well with complete information. Calculated bottom hole temperatures are noted in the database table with supporting information.

Resistivity of the mud filtrate

Resistivity of the mud filtrate is computed and recorded on the log header by the mud engineer. The resistivity of the mud filtrate is corrected to formation temperature (Estepp, 1998). If the resistivity of mud filtrate is not recorded on the log header, there are circumstances when the resistivity of the mud can be converted to a mud filtrate resistivity based on the drilling mud weight and mud type (Estepp, 1998; Schlumberger, 1985). Geophysical well logs where these conditions cannot be met are not used for log analysis.

Temperature of the mud filtrate

Temperature of the mud filtrate is recorded on the log header by the mud engineer. The temperature can be a surface or bottom hole value.

Shallow resistivity

The shallow resistivity curve is the measurement of resistivity of the geological formation adjacent to the borehole where formation fluids may be displaced or invaded by the drilling mud filtrate (Schlumberger, 1972).

Deep resistivity

The deep resistivity curve is the measurement of resistivity at some distance into the geological formation, the distance dependent on the type of logging tool. Deep resistivity measurements represent the response of the geological formation and formation water if the drilling mud filtrate has not penetrated equal to or deeper than the logging tool response depth.

ct conversion factor

The ct conversion factor represents total dissolved solids concentration divided by specific conductance and is determined empirically from water quality samples. The ct conversion factor has a range of 0.55 to 0.75 for waters of ordinary composition up to total dissolved solids concentration of a few thousand milligrams per liter (Hem, 1985). Based upon the crossplot of total dissolved solids concentration versus specific conductance (Figure 11.2-1) the study ct conversion factor of 0.57 was used.

Alger-Harrison Method procedure

The Alger-Harrison Method was used for interpreted total dissolved solids calculations using the BRACS Database data entry form (formulas derived from Estepp, 1998). The calculations using the input parameters and formulas are run in Visual Basic for Applications tied to a command button on the data entry form. Note that this process could be performed with other software, provided the formulas are coded in the proper sequence. The key steps include the following:

- 1) Determine the input parameters and enter these values into the BRACS Database data entry forms.
- 2) Determine the formation being evaluated and enter this value into the data entry form.

- 3) Run the Alger-Harrison Method code to determine the interpreted total dissolved solids concentration for this depth and formation.
- 4) Repeat for each formation of interest on the geophysical well log.

Alger-Harrison Method formulas

1. Determine the temperature of the formation being investigated.

$$T_f = (G_g \cdot D_f) + T_s$$

| | | |
|-------|---|--|
| T_f | = | Temperature formation (units: degrees Fahrenheit) |
| D_f | = | Depth formation (units: feet) |
| G_g | = | Geothermal gradient (units: degrees Fahrenheit/foot) |
| T_s | = | Temperature surface (units: degrees Fahrenheit) |

$$G_g = (T_{bh} - T_s) / D_t$$

| | | |
|----------|---|--|
| G_g | = | Geothermal gradient (units: degrees Fahrenheit/foot) |
| T_{bh} | = | Temperature bottom hole (units: degrees Fahrenheit) |
| T_s | = | Temperature surface (units: degrees Fahrenheit) |
| D_t | = | Depth total (units: feet) |

2. Correct Resistivity of the mud filtrate to formation temperature.

$$R_{mf_Tf} = R_{mf} \cdot (R_{mf_temp} / T_f)$$

| | | |
|----------------|---|--|
| R_{mf} | = | Resistivity mud filtrate (units: ohm-meter) |
| R_{mf_Tf} | = | Resistivity mud filtrate at formation temperature (units: ohm-meter) |
| R_{mf_temp} | = | Resistivity mud filtrate temperature (units: degrees Fahrenheit) |
| T_f | = | Temperature formation (units: degrees Fahrenheit) |

3. Correct Resistivity of the mud filtrate for mud type.

$$R_{mf_Tf} = R_{mf_cor} * (R_{mf} * (R_{mf_temp} / T_f))$$

$$\text{If } R_{mf} \geq 5, \text{ then } R_{mf_cor} = 1.75$$

$$\text{Otherwise } R_{mf_cor} = 1$$

| | | |
|----------------|---|--|
| R_{mf} | = | Resistivity mud filtrate (units: ohm-meter) |
| R_{mf_Tf} | = | Resistivity mud filtrate at formation temperature (units: ohm-meter) |
| R_{mf_temp} | = | Resistivity mud filtrate temperature (units: degrees Fahrenheit) |
| T_f | = | Temperature formation (units: degrees Fahrenheit) |

4. Determine shallow (R_{xo}) and deep (R_o) resistivity values from geophysical log (Figure 11.4-1).

- Select shale-free bed on resistivity track
- Determine R_{xo} and R_o values. Record values with units of ohm-meter (ohm-m)

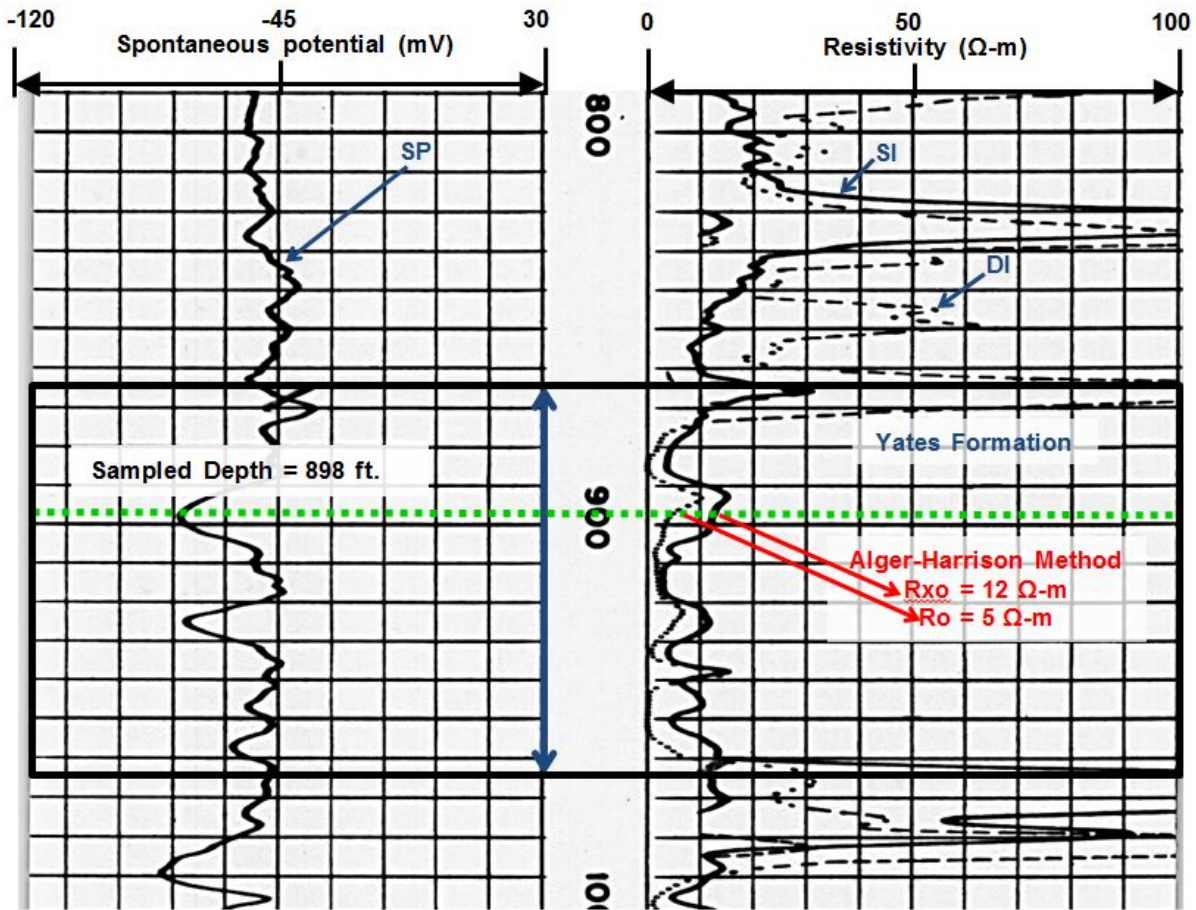


Figure 11.4-1. Example of the Alger-Harrison Method applied to the Yates Formation (BRACS well identification number 35809). The spontaneous potential tool is shown in the left track, depth (in feet below ground surface) is shown in the middle track, and the shallow and deep induction tools are shown in the right track. DI = deep induction, mV = millivolts, R_o = resistivity of the deep zone, R_{xo} = resistivity of the shallow zone, SI = short induction, SP = spontaneous potential, $\Omega\text{-m}$ = Ohm-meter.

- Calculate resistivity of water equivalent (R_{we}).
There are several invasion zone correction formulas that could be used based on the type of geophysical logs used. The following formula shows no correction:

$$R_{we} = R_{mf_Tf} / (R_{xo}/R_o)$$

| | | |
|--------------|---|---|
| R_{we} | = | Resistivity water equivalent (units: ohms-meter) |
| R_{mf_Tf} | = | Resistivity mud filtrate at temperature formation (units: ohms-meter) |
| R_{xo} | = | Resistivity invaded zone (units: ohms-meter) |
| R_o | = | Resistivity un-invaded zone (units: ohms-meter) |

These formulas show possible invasion zone corrections (Estepp, 2010):

Dual induction log, shallow focused log:

$$\mathbf{R}_{x0} / \mathbf{R}_0 = (1.45 * (\mathbf{R}_{x0}/\mathbf{R}_0)) - .45$$

Dual induction log, laterlog 8:

$$\mathbf{R}_{x0} / \mathbf{R}_0 = (1.85 * (\mathbf{R}_{x0}/\mathbf{R}_0)) - .85$$

Lateral Log:

$$\mathbf{R}_{x0} / \mathbf{R}_0 = \mathbf{R}_{x0} / ((1.67 * \mathbf{R}_0) - (.67 * \mathbf{R}_{x0}))$$

16 and 64 inch normal resistivity:

$$\mathbf{R}_{x0} / \mathbf{R}_0 = (\mathbf{R}_{16})^2 / (\mathbf{R}_{64})^2$$

$$\text{(where } \mathbf{R}_{16} = \mathbf{R}_{x0} \text{ and } \mathbf{R}_{64} = \mathbf{R}_0\text{)}$$

Hilchie (1978) provides a 16 and 64 inch normal correction factor for older logs:

$$\mathbf{R}_t = (\mathbf{R}_{64})^2 / \mathbf{R}_{16}$$

You can average multiple high points from \mathbf{R}_{16} and \mathbf{R}_{64} curves of a sand resistivity to get one value for the sand (Estepp, 1998).

6. Calculate resistivity of water from resistivity of water equivalent based on groundwater type correction factor (\mathbf{R}_{we_cor}).

$$\mathbf{R}_w = \mathbf{R}_{we_cor} \cdot \mathbf{R}_{we}$$

| | | |
|------------------------|---|---|
| \mathbf{R}_{we} | = | Resistivity water equivalent (units: ohm-meter) |
| \mathbf{R}_{we_cor} | = | Groundwater type correction factor (units: dimensionless) |
| \mathbf{R}_w | = | Resistivity of water (units: ohm-meter) |

Note: The following \mathbf{R}_{we_cor} values can be used for water types:

- $\mathbf{R}_{we_cor} = 1.33$, for average sodium bicarbonate (Estepp, 2010).
- $\mathbf{R}_{we_cor} = 1.75$, for high sodium bicarbonate (Alger, 1966).
- $\mathbf{R}_{we_cor} = 1.1$, for average sodium sulfate (Estepp, 2010).
- $\mathbf{R}_{we_cor} = 1.0$, for sodium chloride solutions (Estepp, 2010).

For this study, $\mathbf{R}_{we_cor} = 1$, therefore $\mathbf{R}_w = \mathbf{R}_{we}$.

7. Convert resistivity of water at temperature formation to 75 °F (R_{w75}).

$$R_{w75} = R_w \cdot (T_f / 75)$$

| | | |
|-----------|---|---|
| T_f | = | Temperature formation (units: degrees Fahrenheit) |
| R_w | = | Resistivity of water (units: ohm-meter) |
| R_{w75} | = | Resistivity of water at 75 °F (units: ohm-meter) |

8. Convert resistivity of water at 75 °F to conductivity of water at 75 °F.

$$C_w = 10000 / R_{w75}$$

| | | |
|-----------|---|---|
| C_w | = | Conductivity of water at 75 °F (units: microsiemens per centimeter) |
| R_{w75} | = | Resistivity of water at 75 °F (units: ohm-meter) |

Note: Conductivity is reciprocal to resistivity. The value of 10,000 is used for unit conversion.

9. Calculate total dissolved solids (TDS) using the specific conductance – TDS conversion factor (ct).

$$TDS = ct \cdot C_w$$

| | | |
|------------|---|--|
| TDS | = | Interpreted total dissolved solids (units: milligrams per liter) |
| ct | = | ct conversion factor (units: dimensionless) |
| C_w | = | Conductivity of water at 75°F (units: microsiemens per centimeter) |

12. Salinity zone determination

The geologic history of the area records periods of shallow marine deposition during the Permian followed by a long period of exposure and erosion prior to deposition of Upper Triassic Dockum Group strata. This process was repeated after Dockum Group deposition and prior to the transgression of the Cretaceous seas and deposition of the Trinity Group. As a result, we believe that the Permian formations developed a relatively thick weathered zone. This weathered zone may provide an area of increased permeability and porosity depending upon the original lithology of the Permian formations. We also believe that the weathered zone is where mixing can occur between high salinity brine that discharges from Permian formations and downward percolating fresh meteoric water, a process described in detail by Richter and others (1990).

Because of the significant lithologic differences between the Permian formations in the study area, we decided to study the distribution of total dissolved solids concentration with depth for each potential water-bearing geological formation. We combined the 771 total dissolved solids concentrations calculated with the Alger-Harrison Method from geophysical well logs with 5,702 measurements derived from groundwater samples stored in either the TWDB Groundwater Database or the TWDB BRACS Database resulting in a total of 6,473 measurements. Ultimately, only 918 of these measurements were uniquely associated with the Permian water-bearing formations in the study area and could be used in this analysis.

The water quality data was subdivided by geological formation in order to identify possible variations attributable to stratigraphy. We compared water well quality samples with interpreted total dissolved solids concentration in the same geological formation and where only the Quaternary and Neogene sediments overlaid the geological formation of interest. Every interpreted total dissolved solids concentration calculated from geophysical well logs was assigned to a specific formation when they were initially determined. We further limited our analysis to nine stratigraphic units of Permian age that are known to be composed of rock types that have aquifer characteristics amenable to groundwater storage and flow. We have highlighted the geological formations considered most likely to be capable of acting as significant aquifers in the stratigraphic column (Figure 7.2-1). The Cretaceous and Triassic formations are aquifers in the area but will be considered separately in future TWDB studies.

12.1 Salinity versus depth analysis

Our initial approach was to cross-plot the sampled and calculated total dissolved solids concentration values versus depth below ground surface. However, the resulting plots for the nine Permian formations did not clearly define where groundwater vertically transitions between defined groundwater salinity zones within the study area. We therefore decided to “bin” the combined measured water sample and calculated Alger-Harrison Method total dissolved solids data by determining the average total dissolved solids concentration for each Permian formation using the sample depth below the top of the Permian formations. The resulting average bin values for the total dissolved solids concentration were plotted at the center depth value for each bin range for the sample depth below the top of the Permian formations. The ten bin depth intervals are: (1) 0 to 99, (2) 100 to 199, (3) 200 to 299, (4) 300 to 399, (5) 400 to 499, (6) 500 to 599, (7) 600 to 699, (8) 700 to 799, (9) 800 to 899, and (10) 900 to 999 feet.

Plots of the trend lines of the binned salinity data generally show that from 0 to 500 feet below the top of the Permian formations there is a general correlation that shows greater total dissolved solids concentration with increasing depth. Below that depth, the trend lines have no discernable slope and track each other with only slight variations between 20,000 and 30,000 milligrams per liter of total dissolved solids. We believe that this indicates that Alger-Harrison Method can be used to calculate approximate formation fluid resistivities in the weathered portions of the Permian formations. However, in the unweathered portions of the Permian formations the Alger-Harrison Method will calculate resistivities that are too high leading to lower than expected total dissolved solids concentrations. This is because of the lithified nature of the calcareous strata and the shaly interbeds that result in a complex arrangement of porosity and permeability within the Permian formations.

The TWDB defines salinity in terms of total dissolved solids concentration (Winslow and Kister, 1956). Groundwater salinity categories are fresh (0 to 999 milligrams per liter), slightly saline (1,000 to 2,999 milligrams per liter), moderately saline (3,000 to 9,999 milligrams per liter), very saline (10,000 to 34,999 milligrams per liter), and brine (greater than 35,000 milligrams per liter). We define brackish groundwater as slightly to moderately saline water (1,000 to 9,999 milligrams per liter of total dissolved solids). These terms will be used as we discuss the salinity versus depth plots for each of the Permian aquifers in the sections below.

12.1.1 Yates Formation salinity

We plotted total dissolved solids concentration versus depth below the top of the Permian formations for the Yates Formation without binning (Figure 12.1.1-1) and with binning (Figure 12.1.1-2). Each plot shows the total dissolved solids concentration lines that separate the defined salinity zones. The water quality samples for the Yates Formation came from three wells and all reported more than 1,000 milligrams per liter of total dissolved solids. Calculated total dissolved solids concentrations that were determined to be significantly impacted by the lithologic characteristics of the unweathered portions of the Permian formation are highlighted in red and were not used in the binning process.

The trend of the depth below top of Permian formation line in Figure 12.1.1-2 shows salinity rapidly increasing with depth in the first 250 feet below the top of the Permian formations before the trend begins to flatten. This indicates that the impact of meteoric recharge diminishes with depth.

We determined that for water produced exclusively from the Yates Formation (1) no fresh water should be expected, (2) slightly saline groundwater will be expected from 0 to 110 feet below the Permian top, (3) moderately saline groundwater will be expected from 110 to 215 feet below the Permian top, and (4) very saline groundwater will be expected at depths greater than 215 feet below the Permian top (Figure 12.1.1-2).

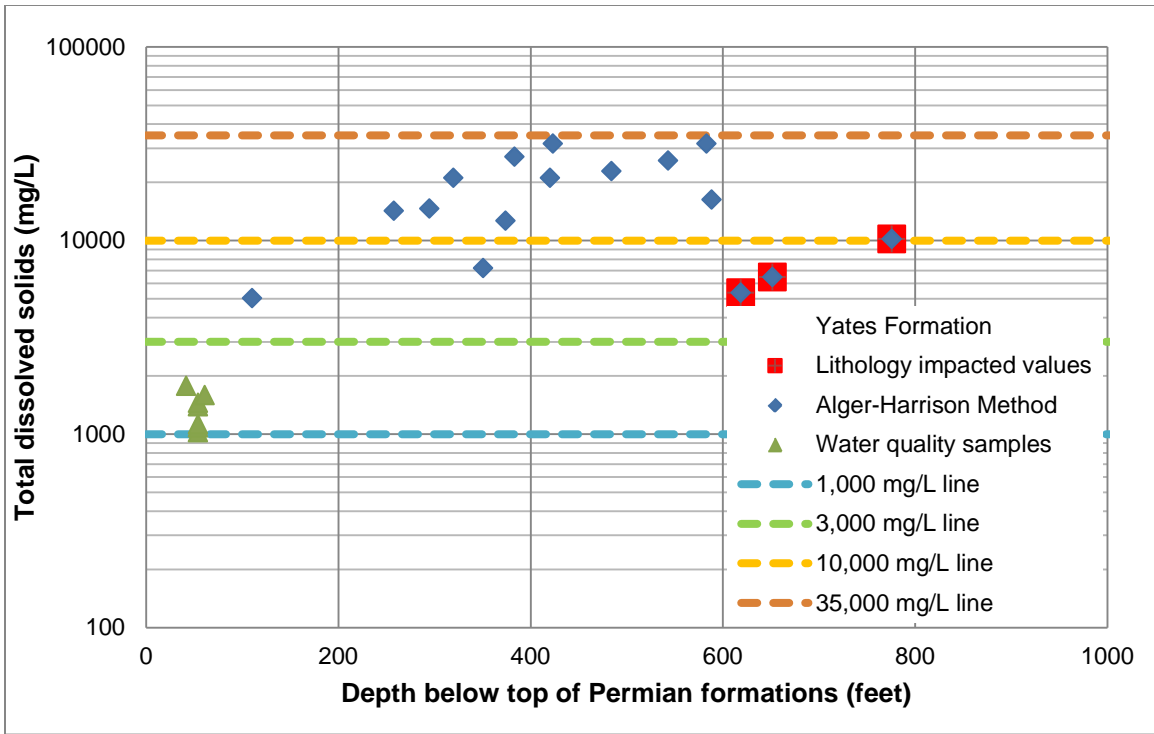


Figure 12.1.1-1. Yates Formation salinity plot. Depth is feet below top of Permian formations. mg/L = milligrams per liter.

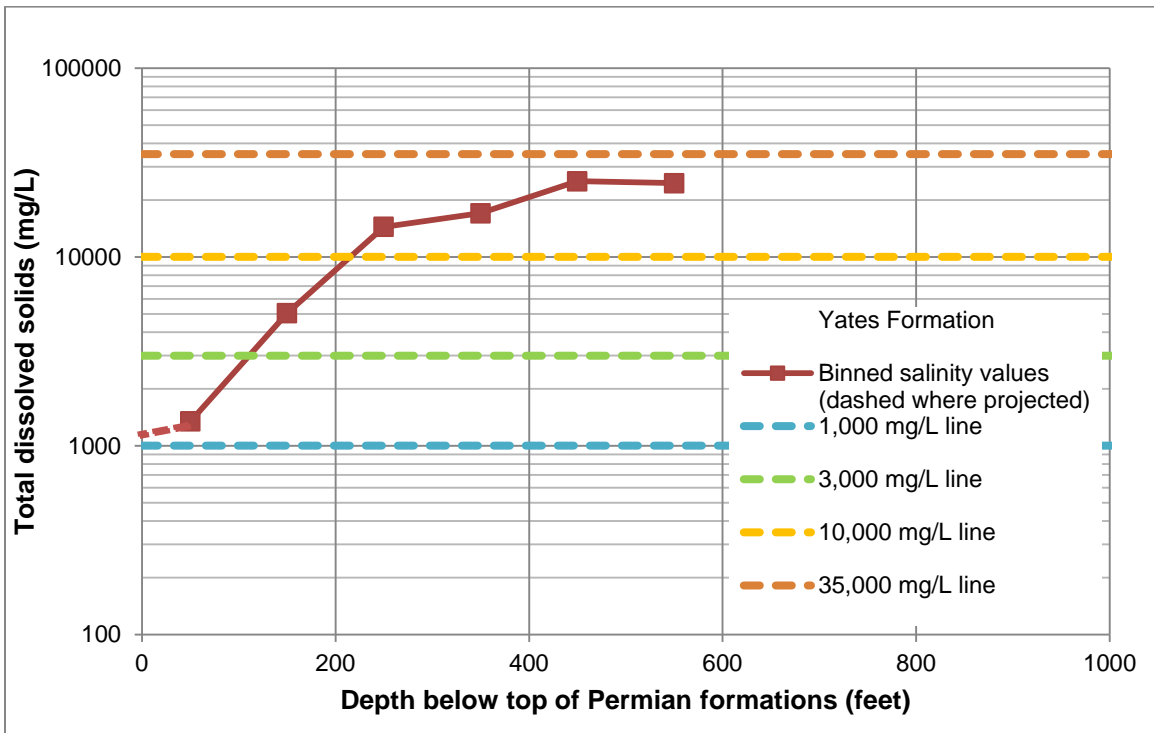


Figure 12.1.1-2. Yates Formation binned salinity plot. mg/L = milligrams per liter.

12.1.2 Seven Rivers Formation salinity

We plotted total dissolved solids concentration versus depth below the top of the Permian formations for the Seven Rivers Formation without binning (Figure 12.1.2-1) and with binning (Figure 12.1.2-2). Each plot shows the total dissolved solids concentration lines that separate the defined salinity zones. The water quality samples for the Seven Rivers Formation came from 13 wells with seven reporting less than 1,000 milligrams per liter of total dissolved solids. All of the water quality samples reporting fresh water are from wells completed in both the Seven Rivers Formation and the Quaternary and Neogene sediments. Calculated total dissolved solids concentrations that were determined to be significantly impacted by the lithologic characteristics of the unweathered portions of the Permian formations are highlighted in red and were not used in the binning process.

The trend of the depth below top of Permian formations line in Figure 12.1.2-2 shows salinity rapidly increasing with depth in the first 200 feet below the top of the Permian formations before the trend begins to flatten. This indicates that the impact of meteoric recharge diminishes rapidly with depth.

We determined that for water produced exclusively from the Seven Rivers Formation (1) no fresh water should be expected, (2) slightly saline groundwater will be expected from 0 to 60 feet below the Permian top, (3) moderately saline groundwater will be expected from 60 to 315 feet below the Permian top, and (4) very saline groundwater will be expected at depths greater than 315 feet below the Permian top (Figure 12.1.2-2).

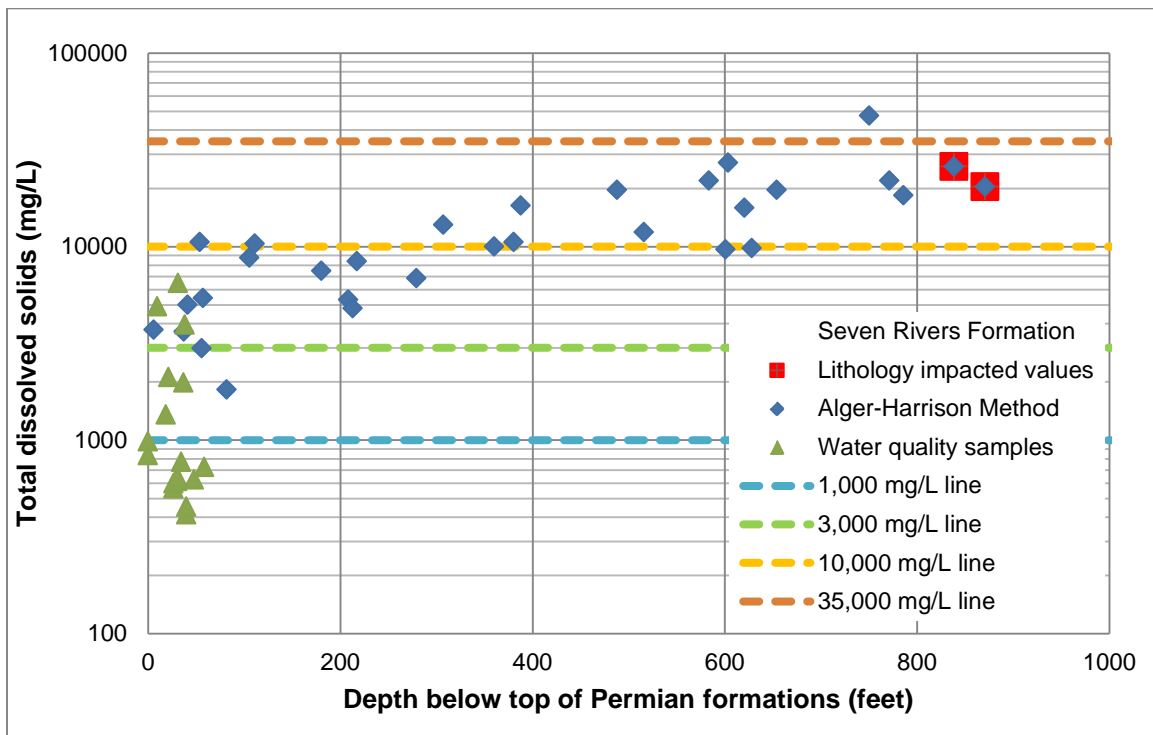


Figure 12.1.2-1. Seven Rivers Formation salinity plot. Depth is feet below top of Permian formations. mg/L = milligrams per liter.

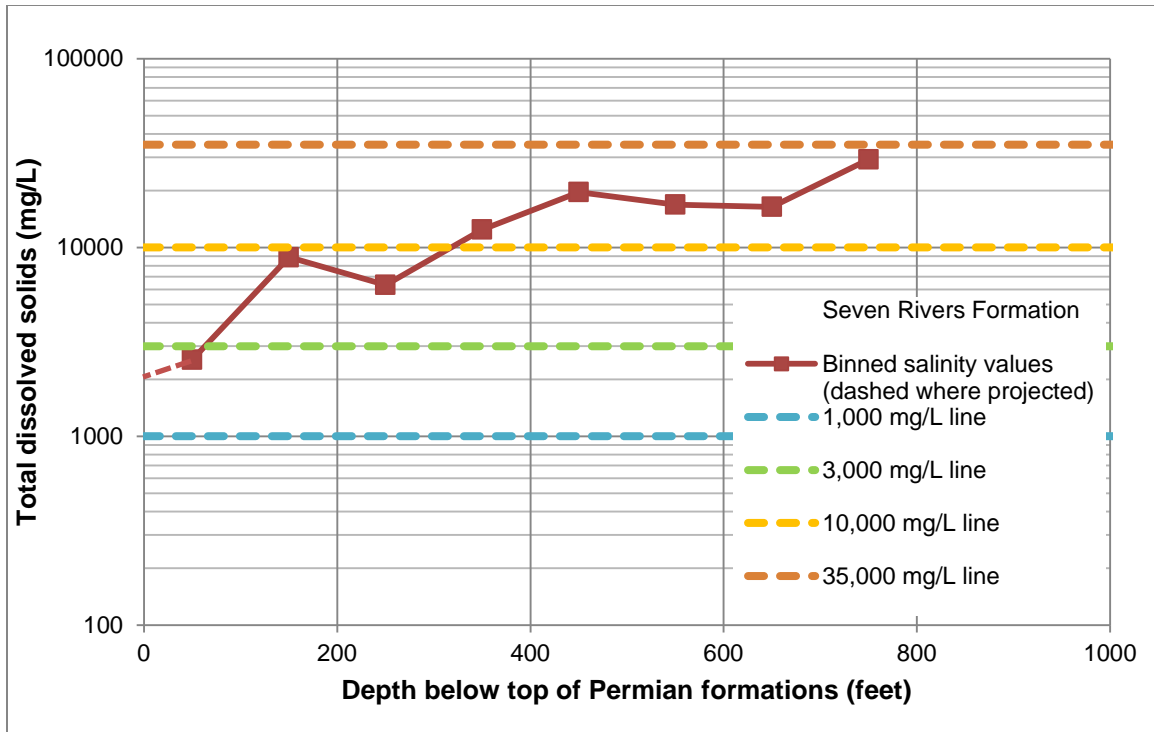


Figure 12.1.2-2. Seven Rivers Formation binned salinity plot. mg/L = milligrams per liter.

12.1.3 Queen Formation salinity

We plotted total dissolved solids concentration versus depth below top of Permian formations for the Queen Formation without binning (Figure 12.1.3-1) and with binning (Figure 12.1.3-2). Each plot shows the total dissolved solids concentration lines that separate the defined salinity zones. There were no water quality samples from this geological formation. Calculated total dissolved solids concentrations that were determined to be significantly impacted by the lithologic characteristics of the unweathered portions of the Permian formations are highlighted in red and were not used in the binning process.

The trend of the depth below top of Permian formations line in Figure 12.1.3-2 shows moderate to high salinity beginning at less than 100 feet below the top of the Permian formations with only a gradual increasing with depth trend. This indicates that the impact of meteoric recharge extends less than 100 feet into the Queen Formation.

We determined that for water produced exclusively from the Queen Formation (1) no fresh water should be expected, (2) no slightly saline groundwater should be expected, (3) moderately saline groundwater will be expected from 0 to 390 feet below the Permian top, and (4) very saline groundwater will be expected at depths greater than 390 feet below the Permian top (Figure 12.1.3-2).

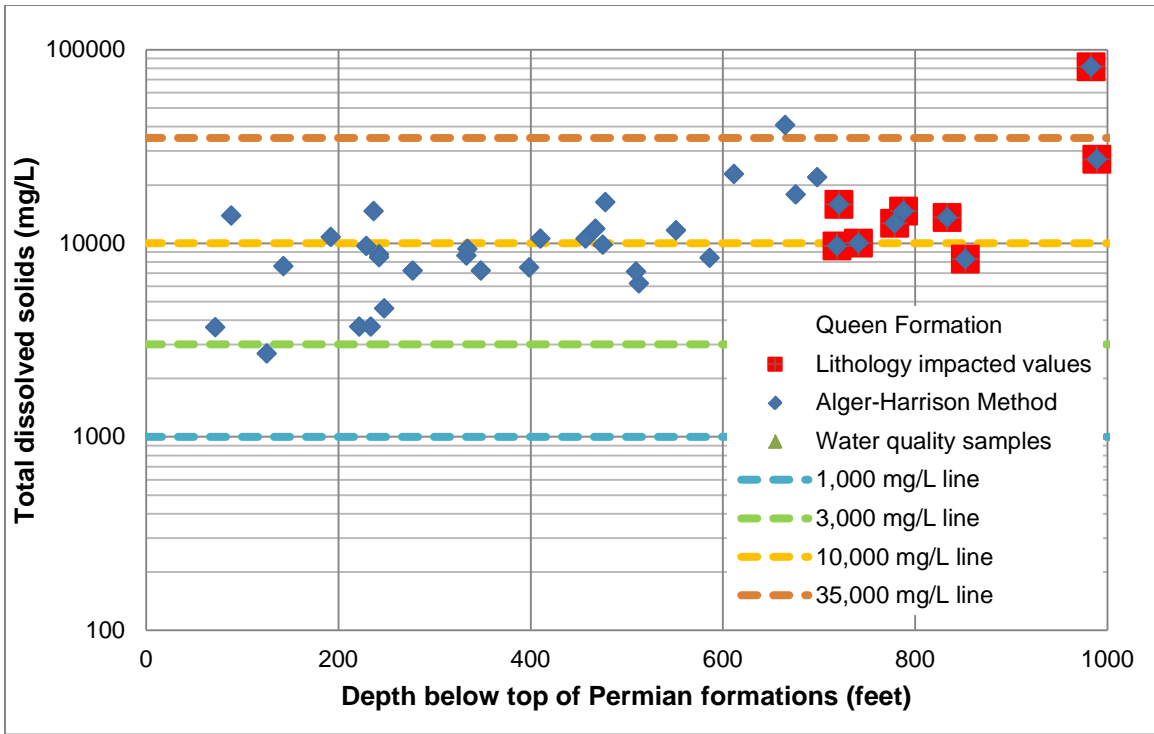


Figure 12.1.3-1. Queen Formation salinity plot. Depth is feet below top of Permian formations. mg/L = milligrams per liter.

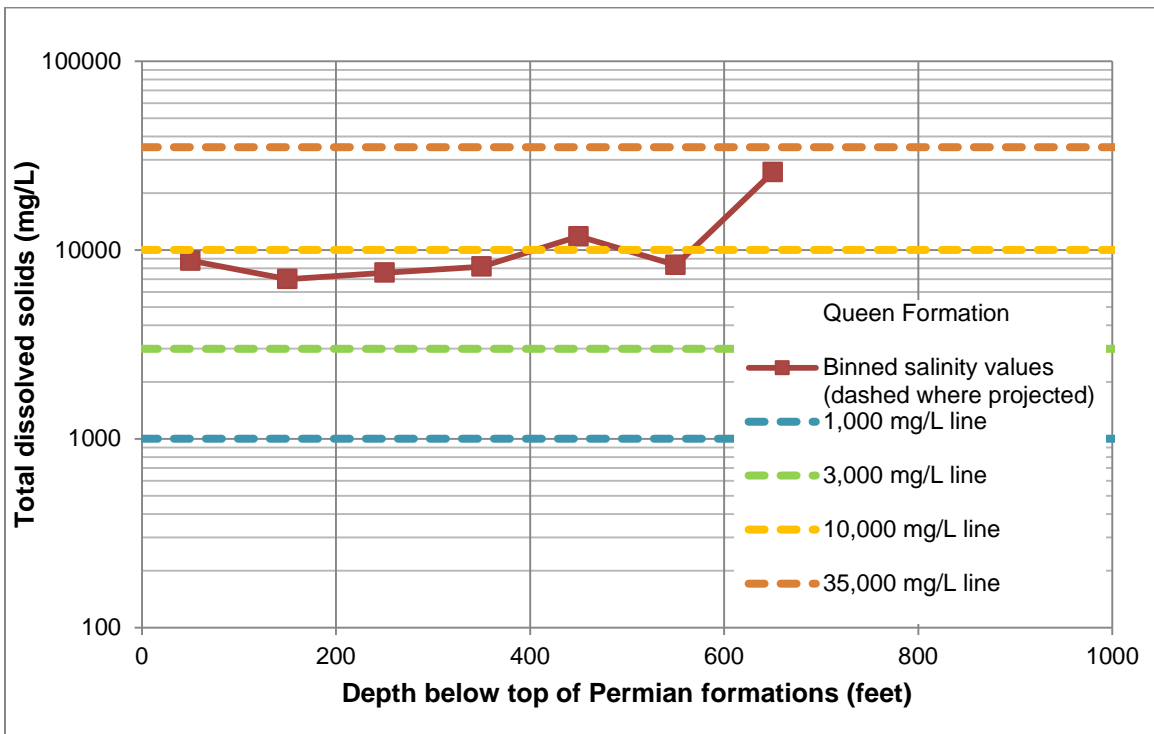


Figure 12.1.3-2. Queen Formation binned salinity plot. mg/L = milligrams per liter.

12.1.4 San Angelo Formation salinity

We plotted total dissolved solids concentration versus depth below the top of Permian formations for the San Angelo Formation without binning (Figure 12.1.4-1) and with binning (Figure 12.1.4-2). Each plot shows the total dissolved solids concentration lines that separate the defined salinity zones. The water quality samples for the San Angelo Formation came from seven wells. One of the wells reported a water quality sample with fresh water that was completed in both the San Angelo Formation and the Quaternary and Neogene sediments. Calculated total dissolved solids concentrations that were determined to be significantly impacted by the lithologic characteristics of the unweathered portions of the Permian formations are highlighted in red and were not used in the binning process.

The trend of the depth below top of Permian formations line in Figure 12.1.4-1 shows salinity rapidly increasing with depth in the first 500 feet below the top of the Permian formations before the trend begins to flatten. This indicates that the impact of meteoric recharge diminishes with depth.

We determined that for water produced exclusively from the San Angelo Formation (1) no fresh water should be expected, (2) slightly saline groundwater will be expected from 0 to 205 feet below the Permian top, (3) moderately saline groundwater will be expected from 205 to 445 feet below the Permian top, and (4) very saline groundwater will be expected at depths greater than 445 feet below the Permian top (Figure 12.1.4-2).

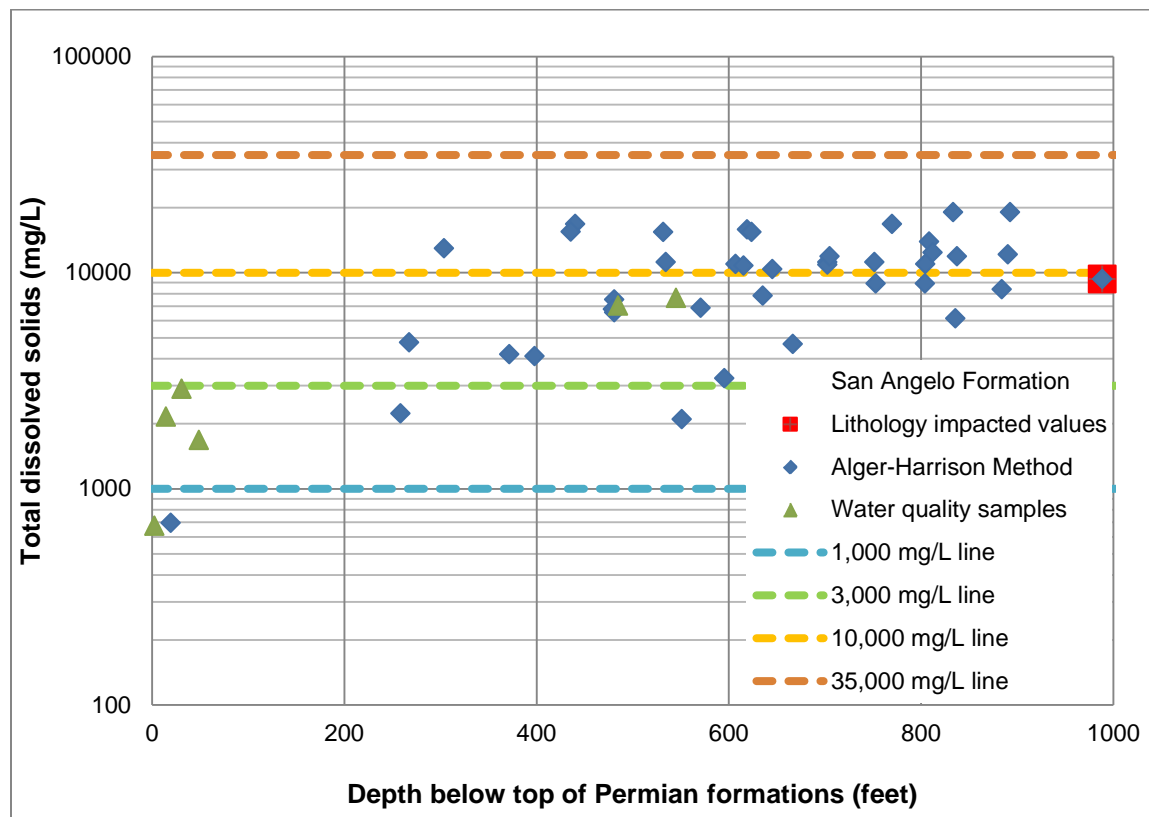


Figure 12.1.4-1. Yates Formation salinity plot. Depth is feet below top of Permian formations. mg/L = milligrams per liter.

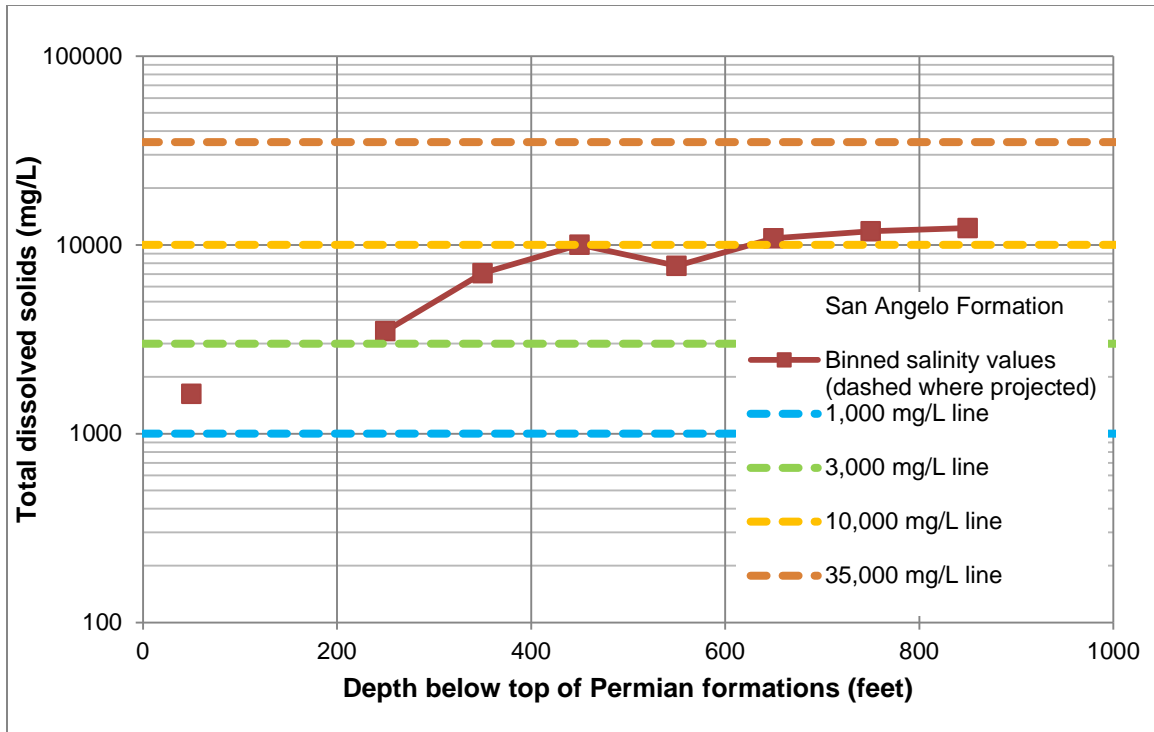


Figure 12.1.4-2. San Angelo Formation binned salinity plot. mg/L = milligrams per liter.

12.1.5 Upper Choza member salinity

We plotted total dissolved solids concentration versus depth below the top of Permian formations for the Upper Choza member without binning (Figure 12.1.5-1) and with binning (Figure 12.1.5-2). Each plot shows the total dissolved solids concentration lines that separate the defined salinity zones. The water quality samples for the Upper Choza member came from 42 wells with 8 reporting less than 1,000 milligrams per liter of total dissolved solids. The eight water quality samples reporting fresh water are from wells completed in both the Upper Choza member and the Quaternary and Neogene sediments. Calculated total dissolved solids concentrations that were determined to be significantly impacted by the lithologic characteristics of the unweathered portions of the Permian formations are highlighted in red and were not used in the binning process.

The trend of the depth below the top of Permian formations line in Figure 12.1.5-2 shows salinity rapidly increasing with depth in the first 400 feet below the top of the Permian formations before the trend begins to flatten. This indicates that the impact of meteoric recharge diminishes with depth. The water sample at 773 feet below the top of the Permian formations is the only measured water sample in the study area that provides an indication of the depth to the top of brine groundwater which would be at approximately 675 feet below the top of the Permian formations in the Upper Choza member.

We determined that for water produced exclusively from the Upper Choza member (1) no fresh water should be expected, (2) slightly saline groundwater will be expected from 0 to 185 feet below the Permian top, (3) moderately saline groundwater will be expected from 185 to 385 feet

below the Permian top, and (4) very saline groundwater will be expected at depths greater than 385 feet below the Permian top (Figure 12.1.5-2).

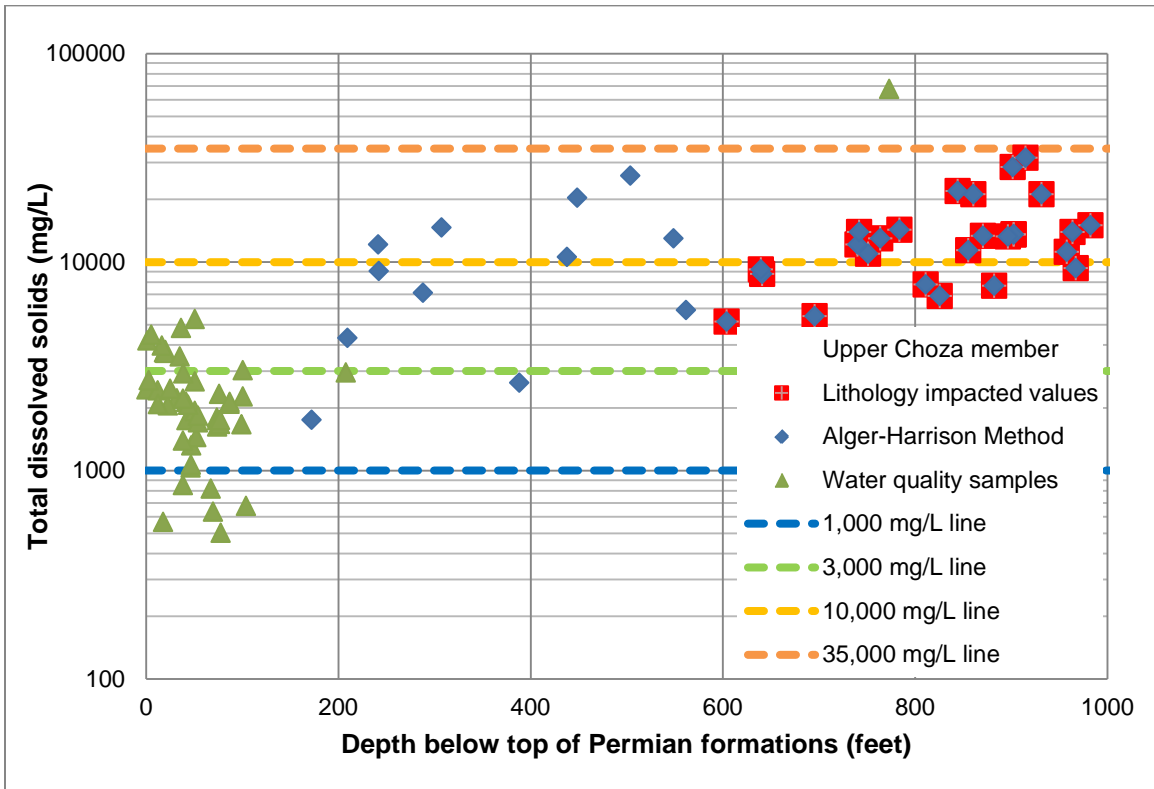


Figure 12.1.5-1. Upper Choza member salinity plot. Depth is feet below top of Permian formations. mg/L = milligrams per liter.

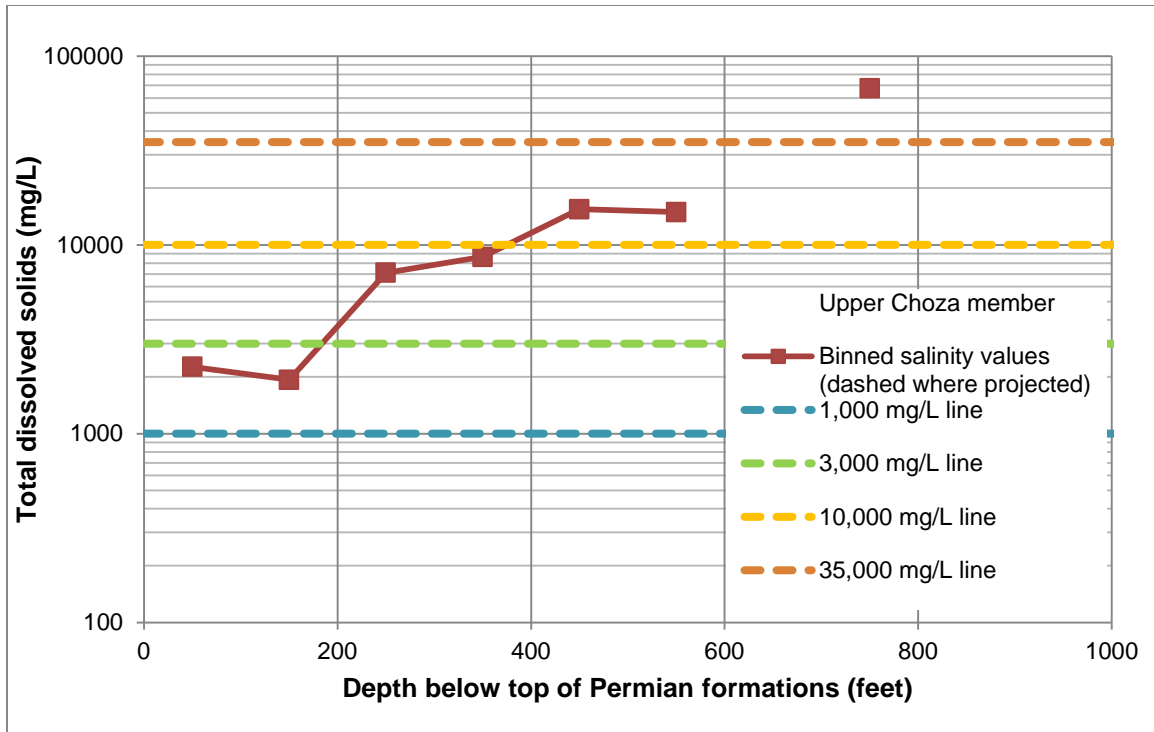


Figure 12.1.5-2. Upper Choza member binned salinity plot. mg/L = milligrams per liter.

12.1.6 Tubb member salinity

We plotted total dissolved solids concentration versus depth below the top of Permian formations for the Tubb member without binning (Figure 12.1.6-1) and with binning (Figure 12.1.6-2). Each plot shows the total dissolved solids concentration lines that separate the defined salinity zones. The water quality samples for the Tubb member came from 11 wells with all reporting more than 1,000 milligrams per liter of total dissolved solids. Calculated total dissolved solids concentrations that were determined to be significantly impacted by the lithologic characteristics of the unweathered portions of the Permian formations are highlighted in red and were not used in the binning process.

The trend of the depth below the top of Permian formations line in Figure 12.1.6-2 shows salinity rapidly increasing with depth in the first 300 feet below the top of the Permian formations before the trend begins to flatten. This indicates that the impact of meteoric recharge diminishes with depth.

We determined that within the Tubb member (1) no fresh water should be expected, (2) slightly saline groundwater will be expected from 0 to 150 feet below the Permian top, (3) moderately saline groundwater will be expected from 150 to 425 feet below the Permian top, and (4) very saline groundwater will be expected at depths greater than 425 feet below the Permian top (Figure 12.1.6-2).

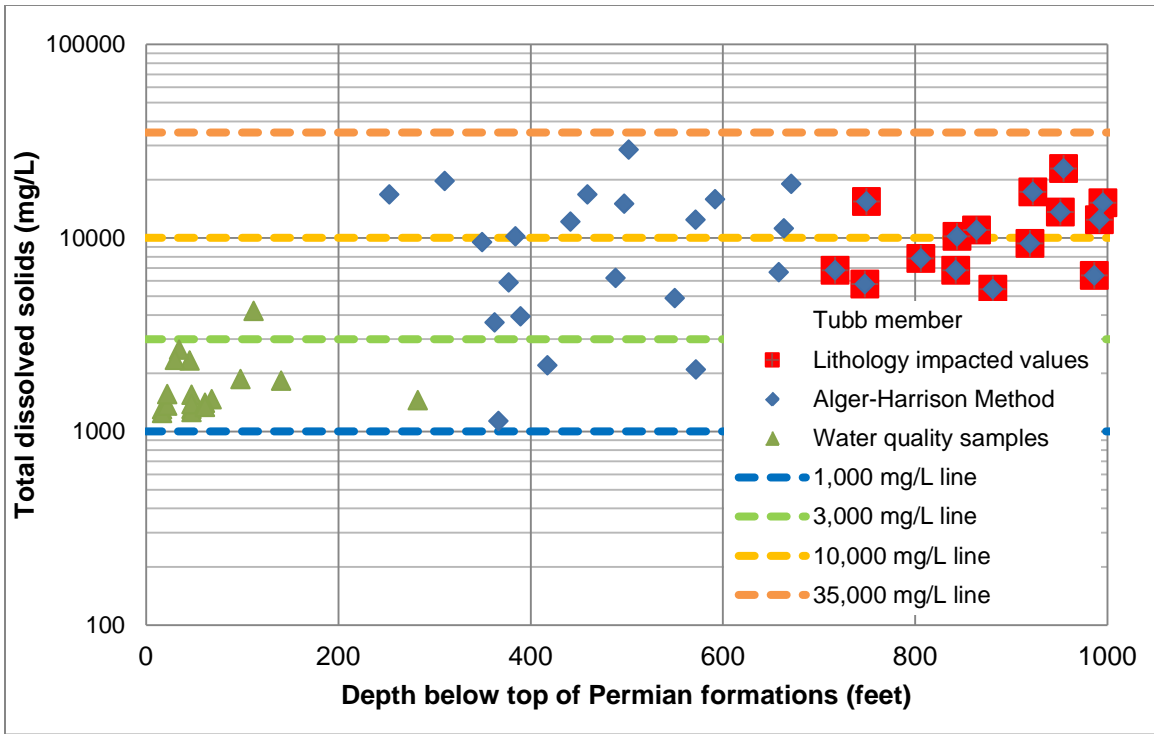


Figure 12.1.6-1. Tubb member salinity plot. Depth is feet below top of Permian formations. mg/L = milligrams per liter.

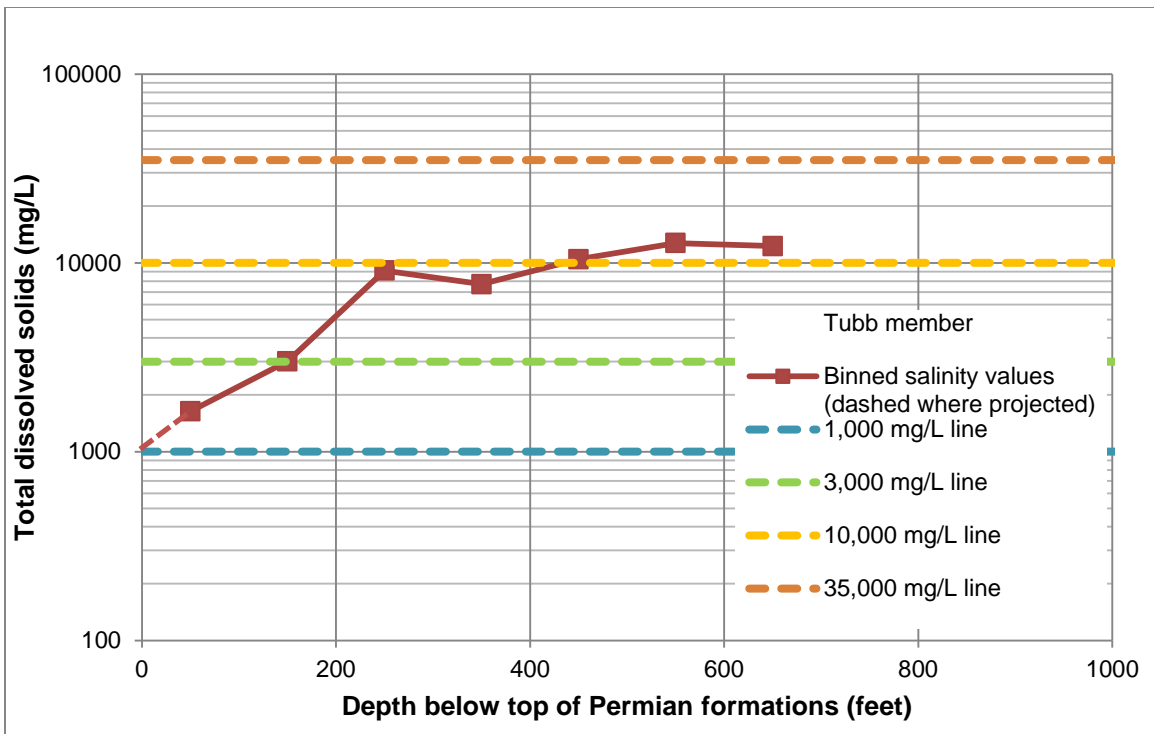


Figure 12.1.6-2. Tubb member binned salinity plot. mg/L = milligrams per liter.

12.1.7 Bullwagon Dolomite salinity

We plotted total dissolved solids concentration versus depth below the top of Permian formations for the Bullwagon Dolomite without binning (Figure 12.1.7-1) and with binning (Figure 12.1.7-2). Each plot shows the total dissolved solids concentration lines that separate the defined salinity zones. The water quality samples for the Bullwagon Dolomite came from four wells with two reporting less than 1,000 milligrams per liter of total dissolved solids. One of the water quality samples reporting fresh water is from a well completed in both the Bullwagon Dolomite and the Quaternary and Neogene sediments. The second well (state well number 43-31-203) that reported less than 1,000 milligrams per liter of total dissolved solids has been sampled 12 times between 1948 and 1982 and since 1971 all samples have recorded total dissolved solids concentrations greater than 1,000 milligrams per liter. Calculated total dissolved solids concentrations that were determined to be significantly impacted by the lithologic characteristics of the unweathered portions of the Permian formations are highlighted in red and were not used in the binning process.

The trend of the depth below the top of Permian formations line in Figure 12.1.7-2 shows salinity rapidly increasing with depth in the first 400 feet below the top of the Permian formations before the trend begins to flatten. This indicates that the impact of meteoric recharge diminishes with depth.

We determined that for water produced exclusively from the Bullwagon Dolomite (1) no fresh water should be expected, (2) slightly saline groundwater will be expected from 0 to 115 feet below the Permian top, (3) moderately saline groundwater will be expected from 115 to 290 feet below the Permian top, and (4) very saline groundwater will be expected at depths greater than 290 feet below the Permian top (Figure 12.1.7-2).

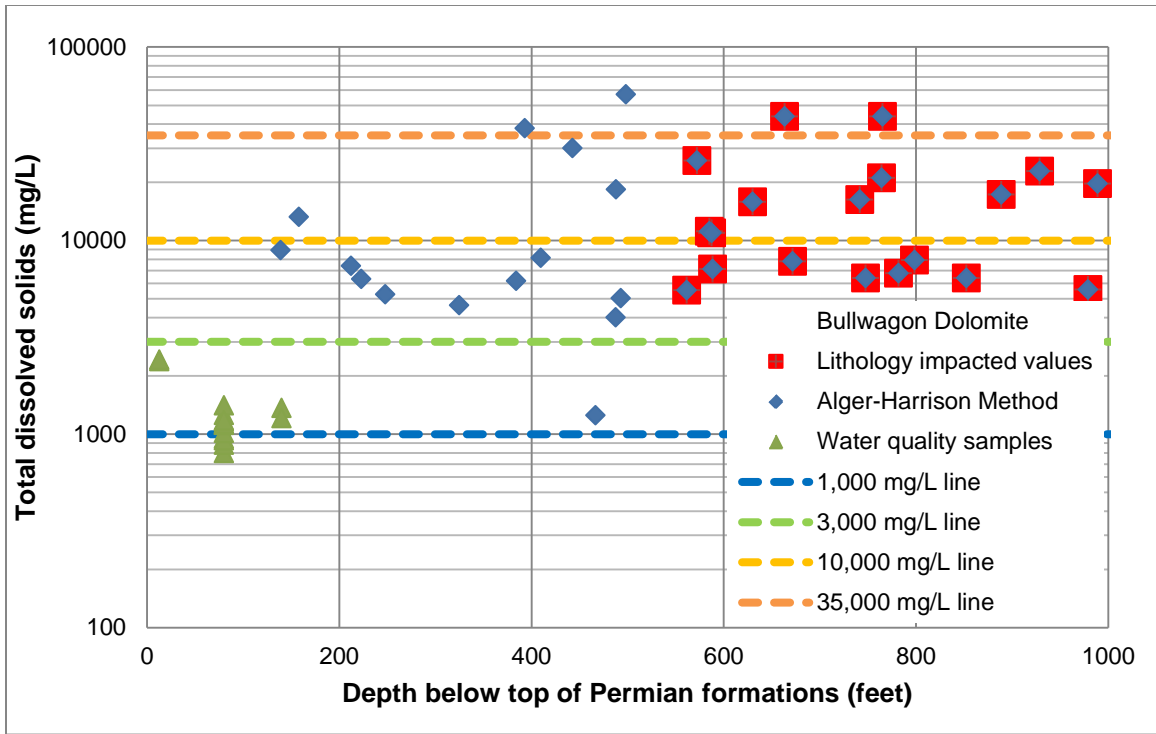


Figure 12.1.7-1. Bullwagon Dolomite salinity plot. Depth is feet below top of Permian formations. mg/L = milligrams per liter.

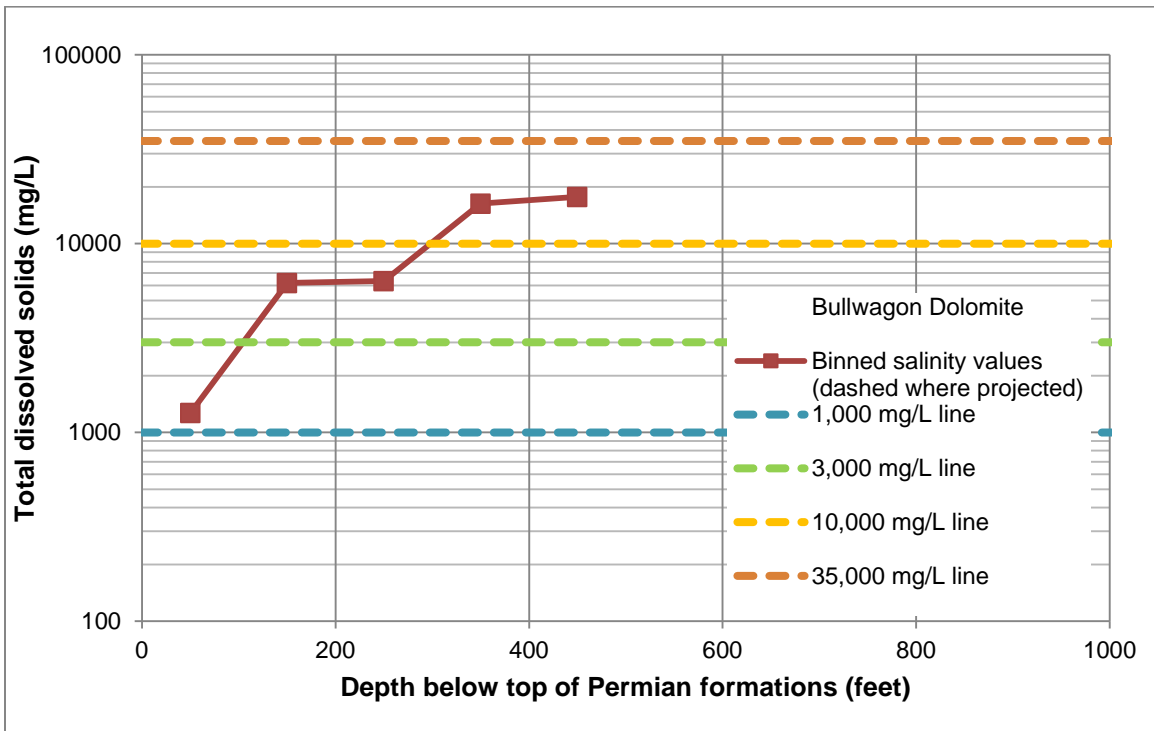


Figure 12.1.7-2. Bullwagon Dolomite binned salinity plot. mg/L = milligrams per liter.

12.1.8 Arroyo Formation salinity

We plotted total dissolved solids concentration versus depth below the top of Permian formations for the Arroyo Formation without binning (Figure 12.1.8-1) and with binning (Figure 12.1.8-2). Each plot shows the total dissolved solids concentration lines that separate the defined salinity zones. The water quality samples for the Arroyo Formation came from 11 wells with 3 reporting less than 1,000 milligrams per liter of total dissolved solids. The water quality sample reporting fresh groundwater is from a well completed in both the Arroyo Formation and the Quaternary and Neogene sediments. Calculated total dissolved solids concentrations that were determined to be significantly impacted by the lithologic characteristics of the unweathered portions of the Permian formations are highlighted in red and were not used in the binning process.

The trend of the depth below the top of Permian formations line in Figure 12.1.8-2 shows salinity rapidly increasing with depth in the first 500 feet below the top of the Permian formations before the trend begins to flatten. This indicates that the impact of meteoric recharge diminishes with depth.

We determined that for water produced exclusively from the Arroyo Formation (1) no fresh water should be expected, (2) slightly saline groundwater will be expected from 0 to 80 feet below the Permian top, (3) moderately saline groundwater will be expected from 80 to 260 feet below the Permian top, and (4) very saline groundwater will be expected at depths greater than 260 feet below the Permian top (Figure 12.1.8-2).

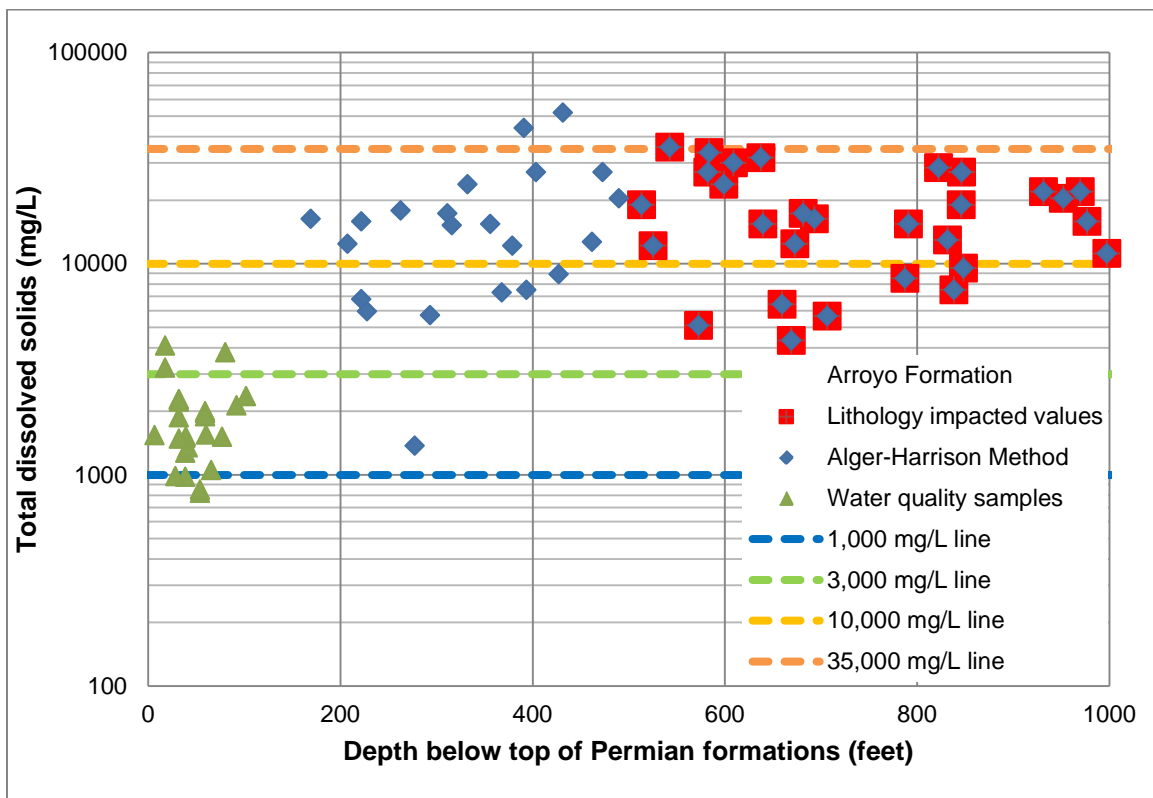


Figure 12.1.8-1. Arroyo Formation salinity plot. Depth is feet below top of Permian formations. mg/L = milligrams per liter.

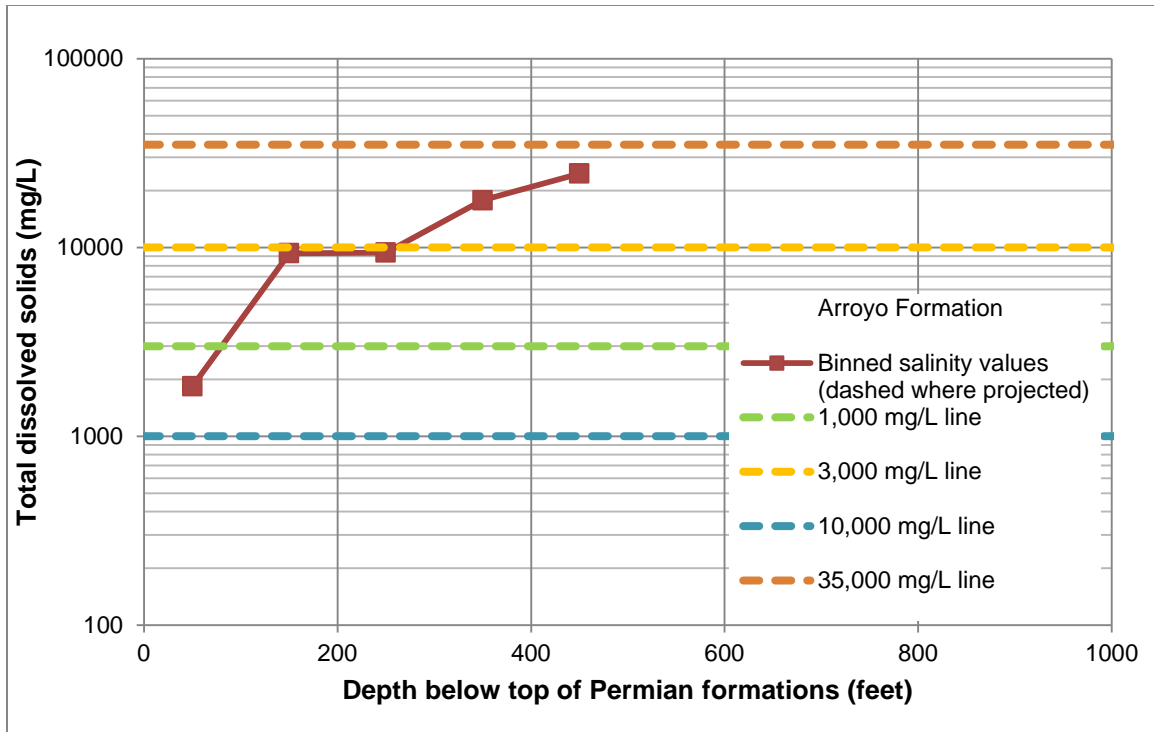


Figure 12.1.8-2. Arroyo Formation binned salinity plot. mg/L = milligrams per liter.

12.1.9 Lueders Formation salinity

We plotted total dissolved solids concentration versus depth below the top of Permian formations for the Lueders Formation without binning (Figure 12.1.9-1) and with binning (Figure 12.1.9-2). Each plot shows the total dissolved solids concentration lines that separate the defined salinity zones. The water quality samples for the Lueders Formation came from three wells and all reported more than 1,000 milligrams per liter of total dissolved solids. Calculated total dissolved solids concentrations that were determined to be significantly impacted by the lithologic characteristics of the unweathered portions of the Permian formations are highlighted in red and were not used in the binning process.

The trend of the depth below the top of Permian formations line in Figure 12.1.9-2 shows salinity rapidly increasing with depth in the first 300 feet below the top of the Permian formations before the trend begins to flatten. This indicates that the impact of meteoric recharge diminishes with depth.

We determined that within the Lueders Formation (1) no fresh water should be expected, (2) slightly saline groundwater will be expected from 0 to 40 feet below the Permian top, (3) moderately saline groundwater will be expected from 40 to 225 feet below the Permian top, and (4) very saline groundwater will be expected at depths greater than 225 feet below the Permian top (Figure 12.1.9-2).

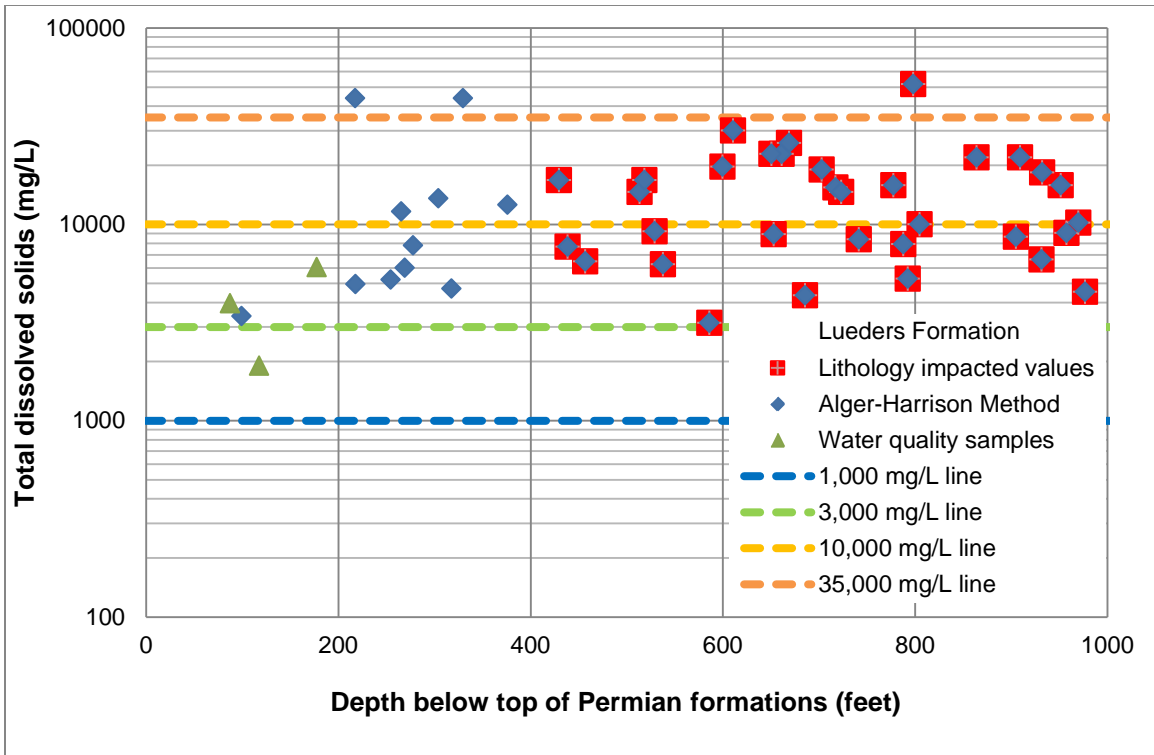


Figure 12.1.9-1. Lueders Formation salinity plot. Depth is feet below top of Permian formations. mg/L = milligrams per liter.

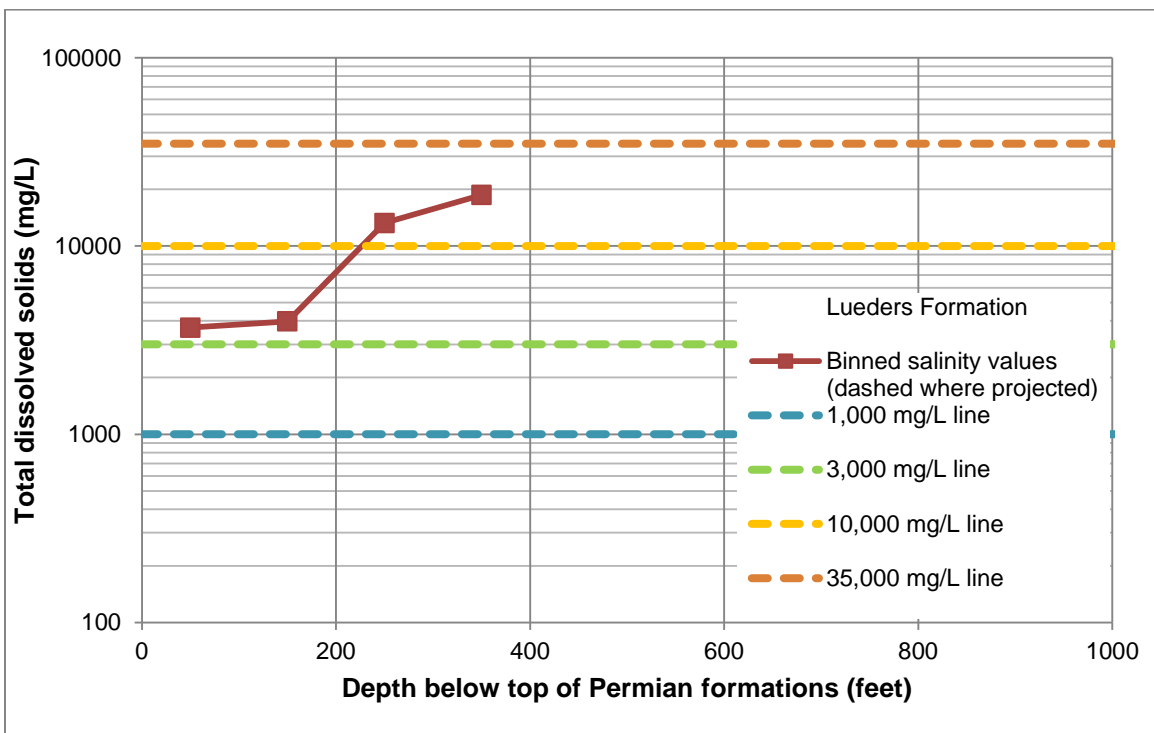


Figure 12.1.9-2. Lueders Formation binned salinity plot. mg/L = milligrams per liter.

12.2 Salinity zone surfaces

We analyzed each of the salinity versus depth plots to determine the depth that the trend lines intersect the 3,000 and the 10,000 milligrams per liter total dissolved solids concentration lines. The trend lines were projected (1) if a bin had no values and (2) to the zero depth line. A summary of the depths of the intersections between the defined salinity lines and the trend lines has been tabulated (Table 12.2-1). These results show the wide variation between the different geological formations with regards to the depths at which fresh, slightly saline, moderately saline, and very saline groundwater can be expected. We were not able to clearly define the depth at which brine would be expected in the Permian formations but generally expect a brine interface between 500 and 1,000 feet below the Permian top depending upon the geological formation.

Table 12.2-1. Salinity versus depth curves by geological formation. mg/L = milligrams per liter.

| Geological formation | Depth below top of Permian (feet) | |
|------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| | 3,000 mg/L | 10,000 mg/L |
| Yates Formation | 110 | 215 |
| Seven Rivers Formation | 60 | 315 |
| Queen Formation | 0 | 390 |
| San Angelo Formation | 205 | 445 |
| Upper Choza member | 185 | 385 |
| Tubb member | 150 | 425 |
| Bullwagon Dolomite | 115 | 290 |
| Arroyo Formation | 80 | 260 |
| Lueders Formation | 40 | 225 |
| Average | 105 | 328 |

Based upon our understanding of the geology and groundwater salinities for the Lipan Aquifer, we prepared surfaces that define the depth below ground surface where one is likely to encounter each range of total dissolved solids. These surfaces are presented in both depth below the ground surface and in elevation above mean sea level.

Fresh groundwater (0 to 999 milligrams per liter total dissolved solids) is generally limited to the Quaternary and Neogene sediments within the study area. Fresh groundwater is also found in the surrounding Cretaceous formations but those aquifers are not part of this study.

Figure 12.2-1 and Figure 12.2-2 show the top of the slightly saline groundwater zone (1,000 to 2,999 milligrams per liter total dissolved solids) in terms of the elevation relative to mean sea level and depth below ground surface. This surface was defined by (1) the base of the Trinity Group, (2) the base of the Cretaceous and Neogene sediments, or (3) the ground surface. Slightly saline waters are likely to be encountered where the Permian formations outcrop at the ground surface.

Figure 12.2-3 and Figure 12.2-4 show the top of the moderately saline groundwater zone (3,000 to 9,999 milligrams per liter total dissolved solids) in terms of the elevation relative to mean sea level and depth below ground surface. This surface is 105 feet below the top of the slightly saline surface based on the average depth below the slightly saline surface that moderately saline groundwater is likely to be encountered.

Figure 12.2-5 and Figure 12.2-6 show the top of the very saline groundwater zone (10,000 to 34,999 milligrams per liter total dissolved solids) in terms of the elevation relative to mean sea level and depth below ground surface. This surface is 225 feet below the top of the moderately saline surface based on the average depth below the moderately saline surface that very saline groundwater is likely to be encountered.

We did not create a surface for the top of the brine groundwater zone (greater than 35,000 milligrams per liter total dissolved solids) because of the lack of sufficient data points from either water quality samples or geophysical well log calculations. LBG-Guyton Associates (2008) did obtain a water sample from the Upper Choza member at a depth of 903 feet below ground surface with total dissolved solids measured at 65,800 milligrams per liter. It will require additional groundwater sampling from known depths in wells that are deeper than conventional water wells to more accurately delineate the brine surface.

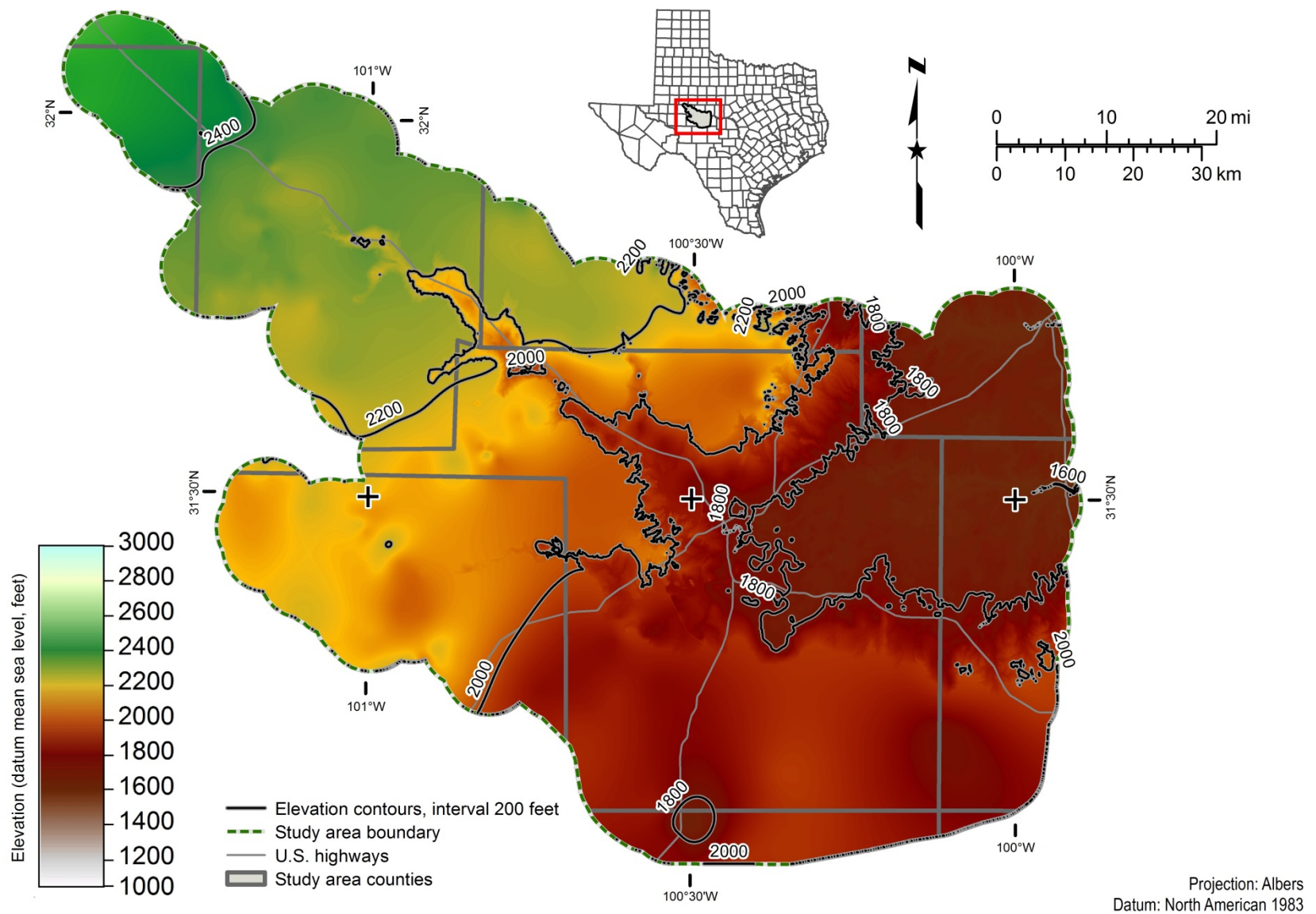


Figure 12.2-1. Top elevation of the slightly saline groundwater zone in feet above mean sea level. Slightly saline groundwater has a total dissolved solids concentration between 1,000 and 2,999 milligrams per liter.

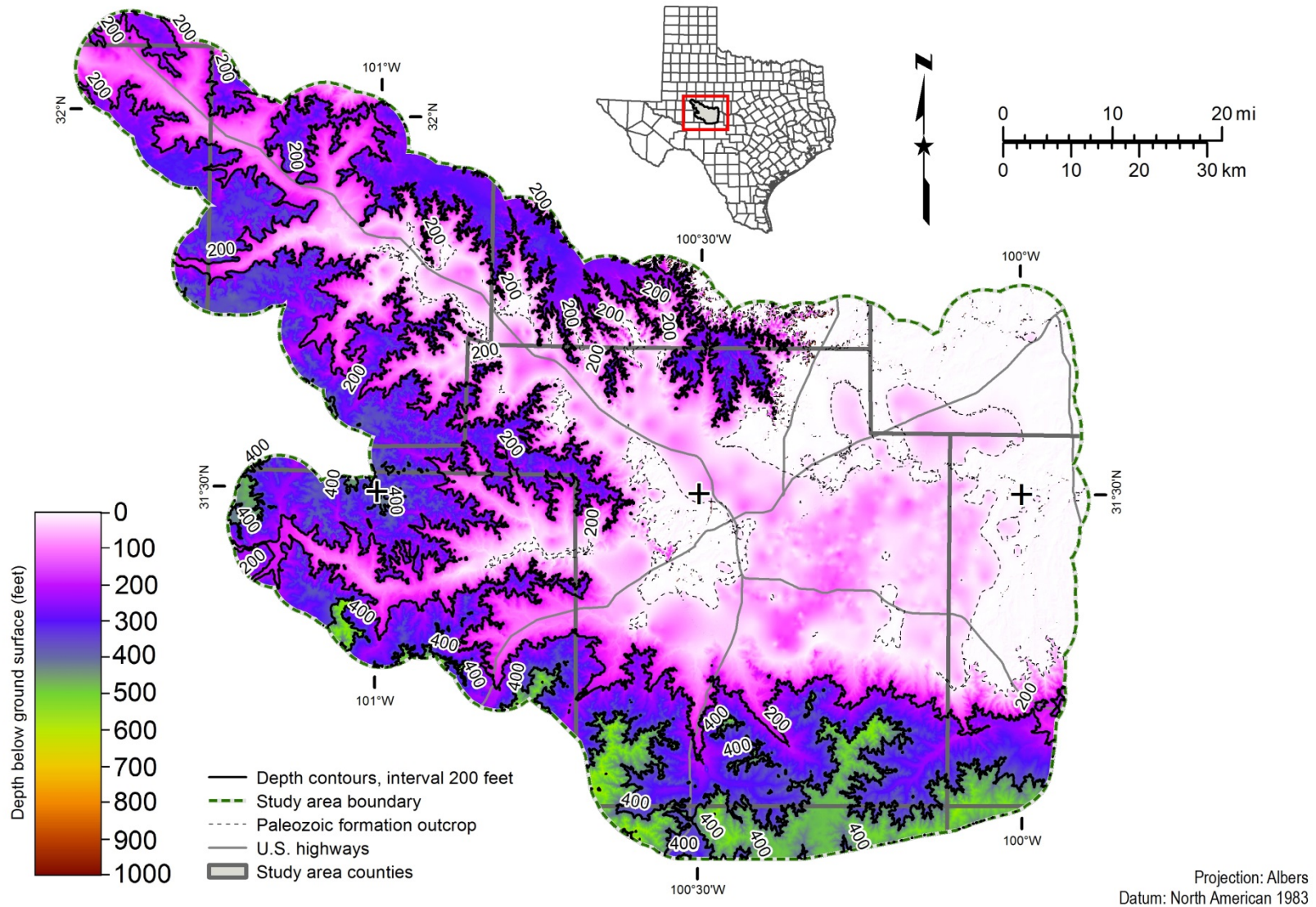


Figure 12.2-2. Depth to top of the slightly saline groundwater zone in feet below ground surface. Slightly saline groundwater has a total dissolved solids concentration between 1,000 and 2,999 milligrams per liter. Dotted line on map represents where Permian formations outcrop at or near the ground surface.

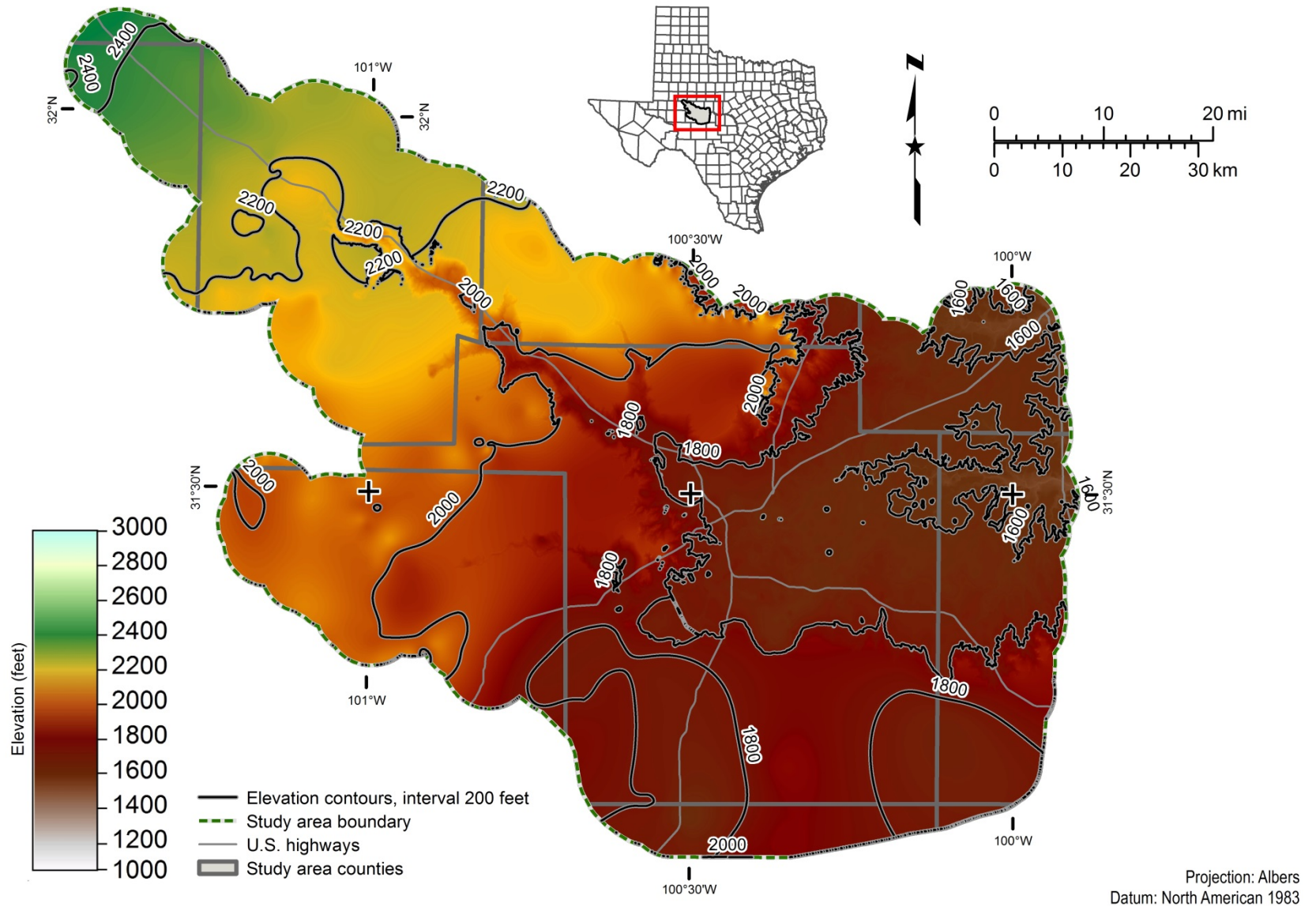


Figure 12.2-3. Top elevation of the moderately saline groundwater zone in feet above mean sea level. Moderately saline groundwater has a total dissolved solids concentration between 3,000 and 9,999 milligrams per liter.

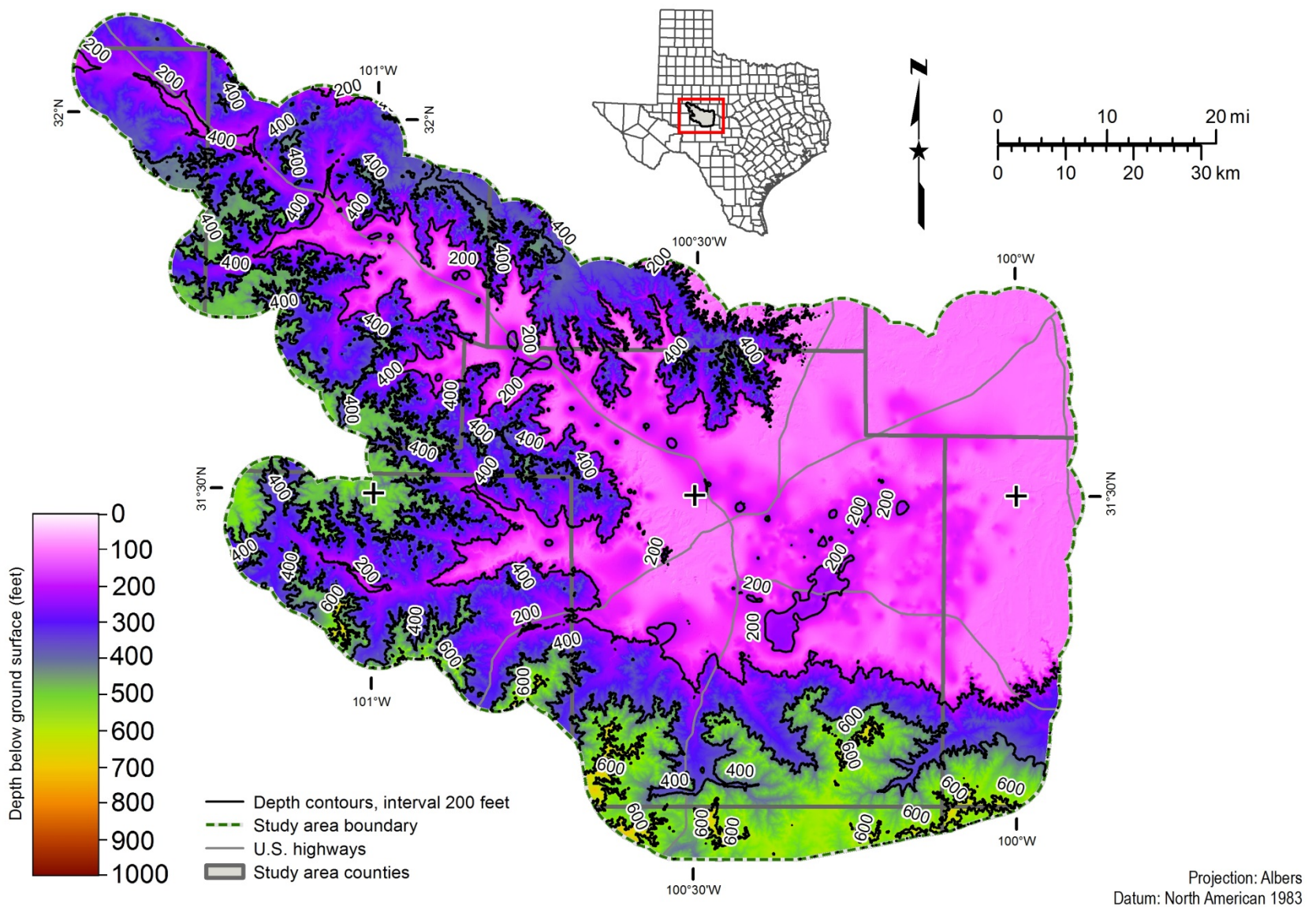


Figure 12.2-4. Depth to top of the moderately saline groundwater zone in feet below ground surface. Moderately saline groundwater has a total dissolved solids concentration between 3,000 and 9,999 milligrams per liter.

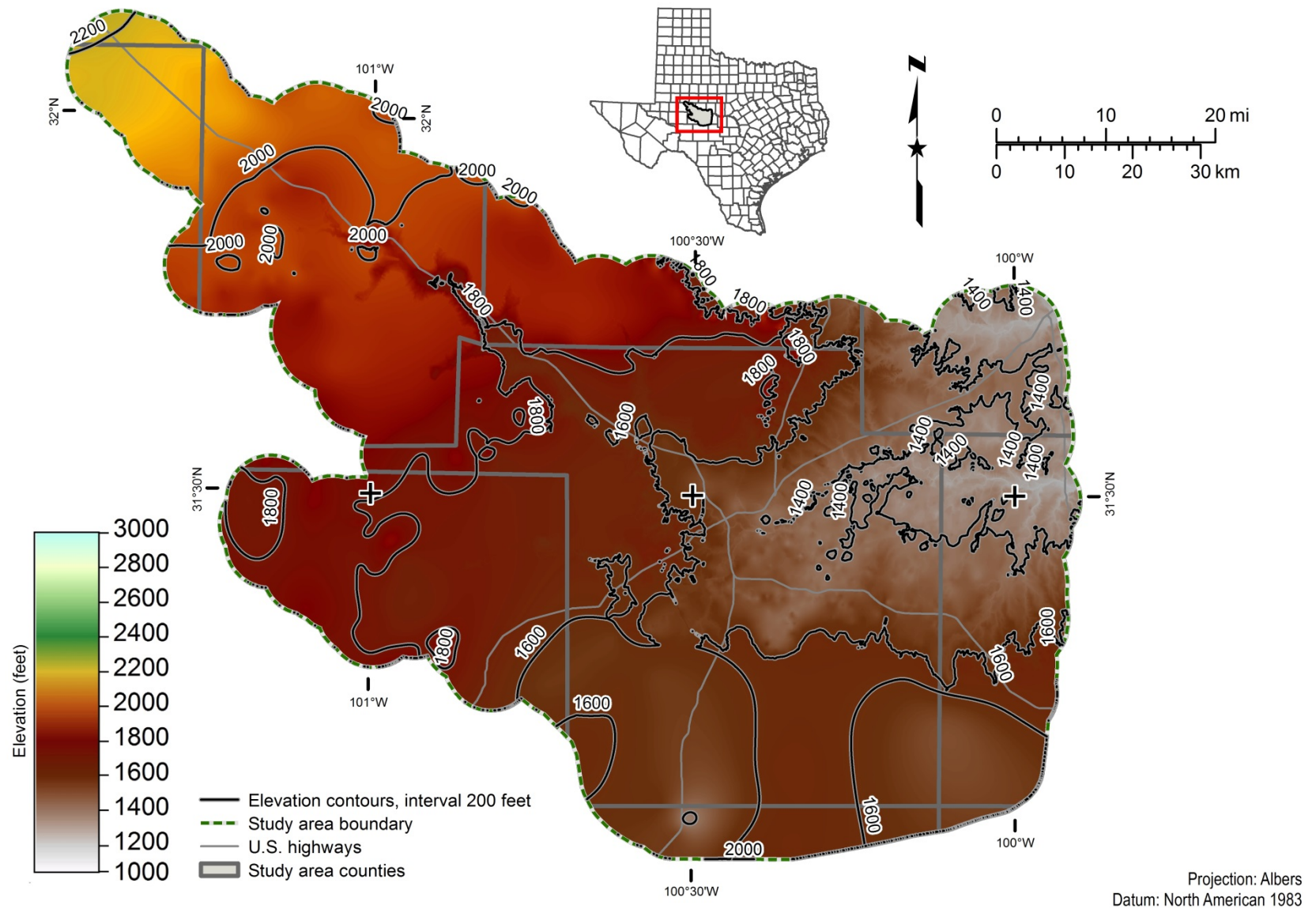


Figure 12.2-5. Top elevation of the very saline groundwater zone in feet above mean sea level. Very saline groundwater has a total dissolved solids concentration between 10,000 and 34,999 milligrams per liter.

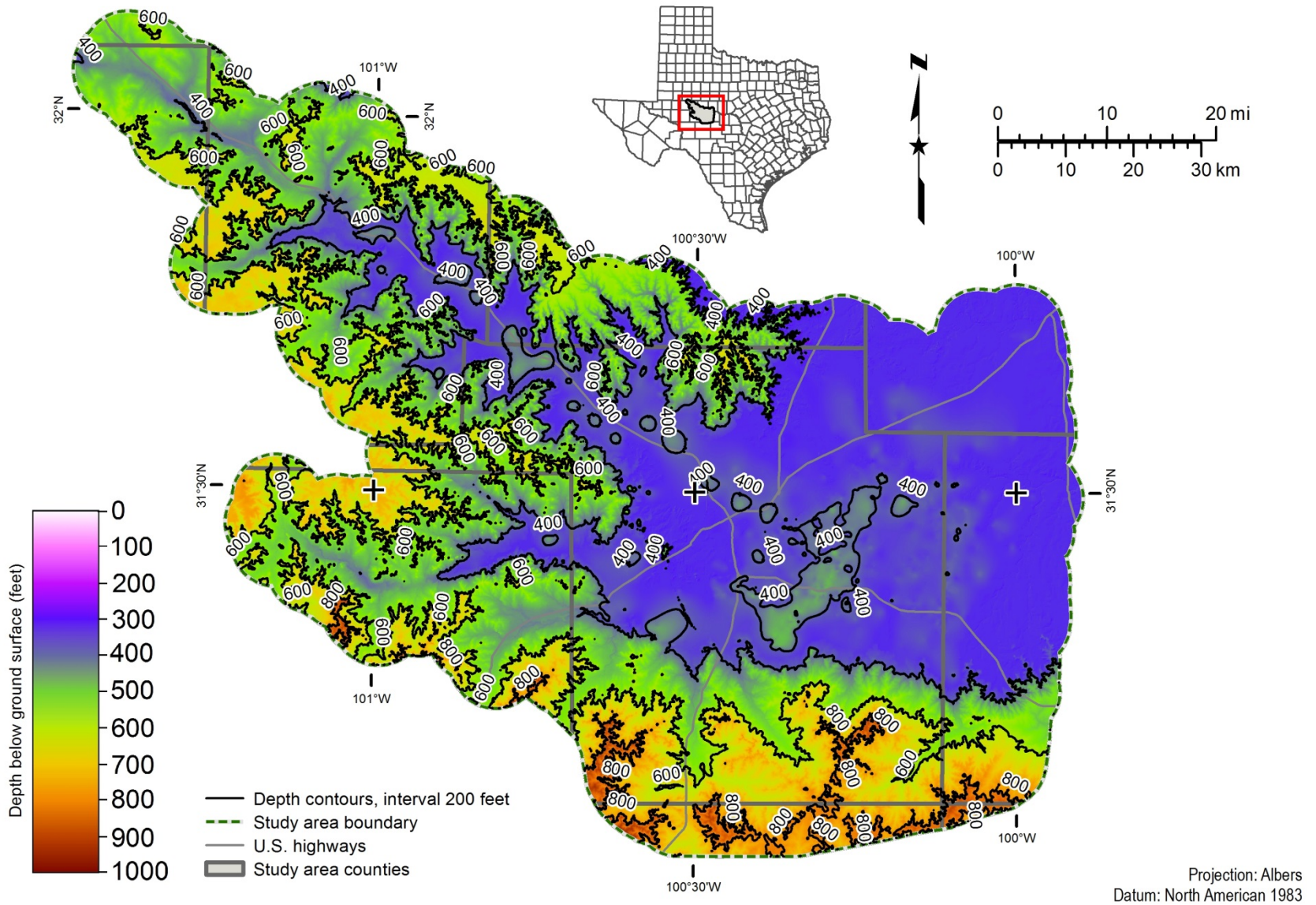


Figure 12.2-6. Depth to top of the very saline groundwater zone in feet below ground surface. Very saline groundwater has a total dissolved solids concentration between 10,000 and 34,999 milligrams per liter.

13. Groundwater volume methodology

We calculated the gross volume of rock available for each salinity zone in each of the geological formations. We further calculated the volume of rock below the static water level for each geological formation in order to identify the saturated portion.

Specific yield is the ratio of the volume of water that will drain by force of gravity from a saturated material to the total volume of that material and is used to determine the amount of groundwater within a bulk volume of the aquifer formations. We lacked sufficient data on the hydrologic properties of the geological formations in the study area to calculate values for specific yield and instead utilized the specific yield values used in previous studies (Beach and others, 2004; LBG-Guyton Associates, 2003). A specific yield value of 0.05 was assigned to the Quaternary and Neogene sediments and the slightly saline groundwater zone. A specific yield value of 0.005 was assigned to the moderately saline groundwater zone, which reflects the expected decrease in porosity and permeability for relatively unweathered Permian units. This lower specific yield value represents very localized fracture porosity and is highly variable across the study area.

13.1 Static water levels and saturated thickness

We developed a static water level grid map from water wells completed in the Lipan Aquifer. The map was created for the purpose of generating the Lipan Aquifer saturated thickness map and to estimate brackish groundwater volumes. A significant challenge in creating the static water level map was that measurements have been recorded over a period of more than 80 years in the study area. The TWDB Groundwater Database currently has 23,134 static water level measurements from 2,053 wells completed in the study area. We decided to utilize only those water level measurements taken since January 1, 2001, in wells that were not completed in the Cretaceous formations. The resulting dataset contained 167 wells and a total of 14,755 recorded water level measurements. A summary of this data (Figure 13.1-1) averages all water level measurements on a monthly basis.

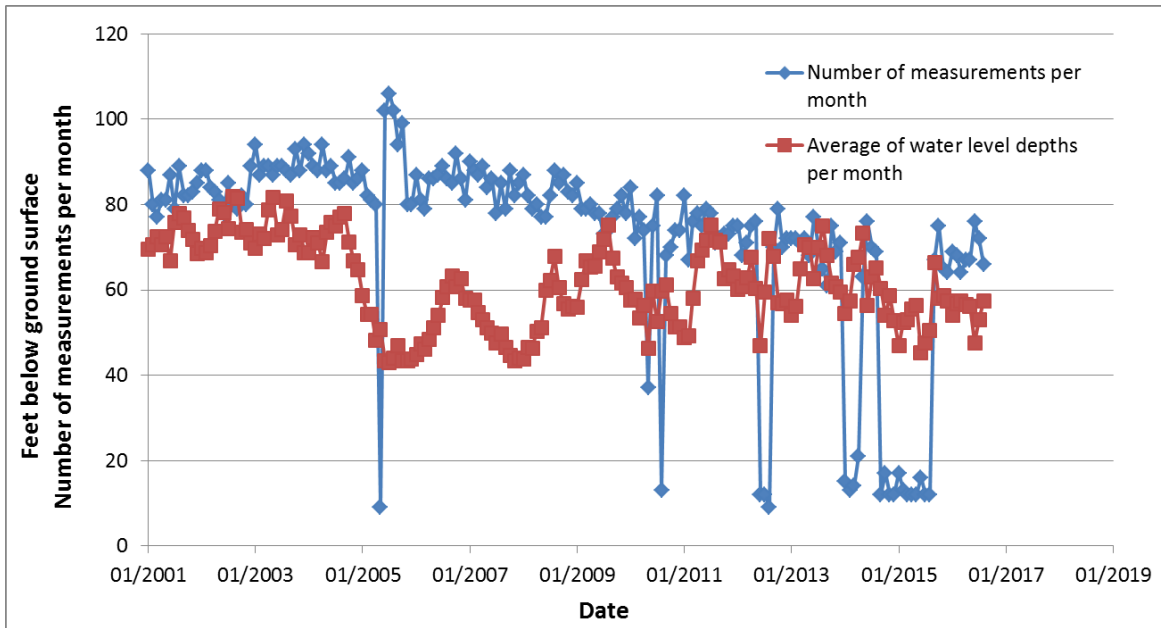


Figure 13.1-1. Static water level measurements 2001–2016.

A typical static water level map is created using data from one winter season, producing a water level surface that reflects minimum influence from seasonal irrigation pumping. Although the database contains 14,755 water level records from 167 wells, the number of winter-season water levels from wells completed in the study area is typically less than 80 measurements in any given season during the last 15 years. The wells are clustered in small areas and created significant problems for developing a study area map.

We decided to average all well measurements during the 2001 to 2016 time period to create one average static water level value per well. The final dataset contains 167 water wells completed in either the Quaternary and Neogene or Permian aquifers. The spatial distribution of the data was sufficient to create a study area static water level surface. The well points were extracted from Microsoft® Access® and imported into ArcGIS® and georeferenced. The points were interpolated using the ArcGIS® Spatial Analyst® Topo to Raster tool. The resulting grid map (Figure 13.1-2) was compared with input points to verify accuracy. Some areas have fewer data points, resulting in a rough approximation of the static water table surface. A major pumping center is clearly visible in the south-central portion of Tom Green County.

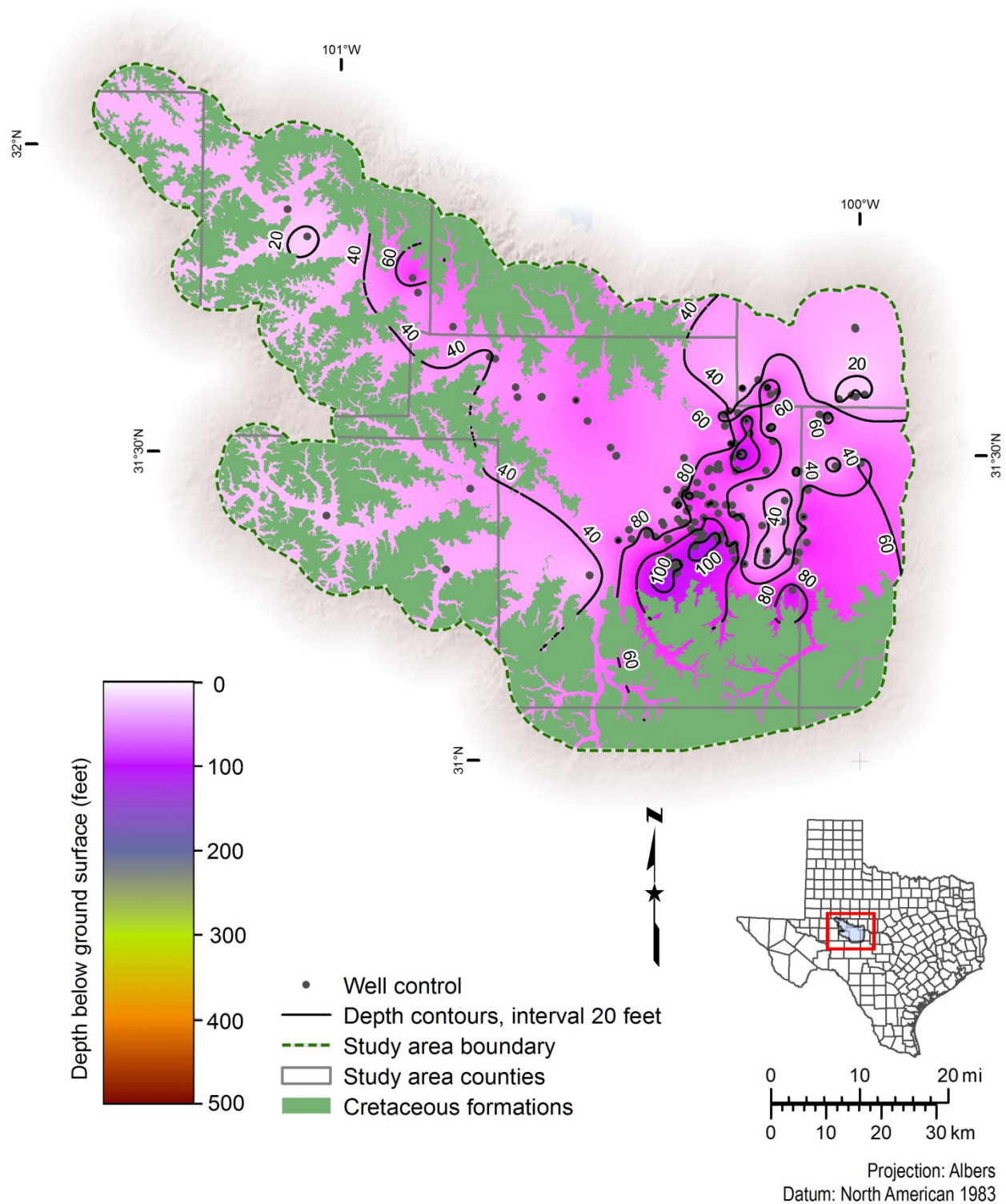


Figure 13.1-2. Static water level surface and well control in the Lipan Aquifer study area. Green areas are where the Cretaceous formations outcrop. The dataset used for this map was created for the calculation of brackish groundwater volume. Static water level measurements compiled from records 2001 through 2016.

13.2 Bulk volume calculation

A schematic representation of the geologic model used to calculate groundwater volumes is shown in Figure 13.2-1. The static water level surface represents the average depth to the top of the saturated zone in the study area. The fresh groundwater (0 to 999 milligrams per liter of total dissolved solids) exists principally in the Quaternary and Neogene sediments below the static water level surface. The slightly saline groundwater zone (1,000 to 2,999 milligrams per liter of total dissolved solids) exists in the saturated, highly-weathered Permian formations and is approximately 105 feet thick. The moderately saline groundwater zone (3,000 to 9,999 milligrams per liter of total dissolved solids) exists in the saturated, moderately-weathered Permian formations and is approximately 223 feet thick.

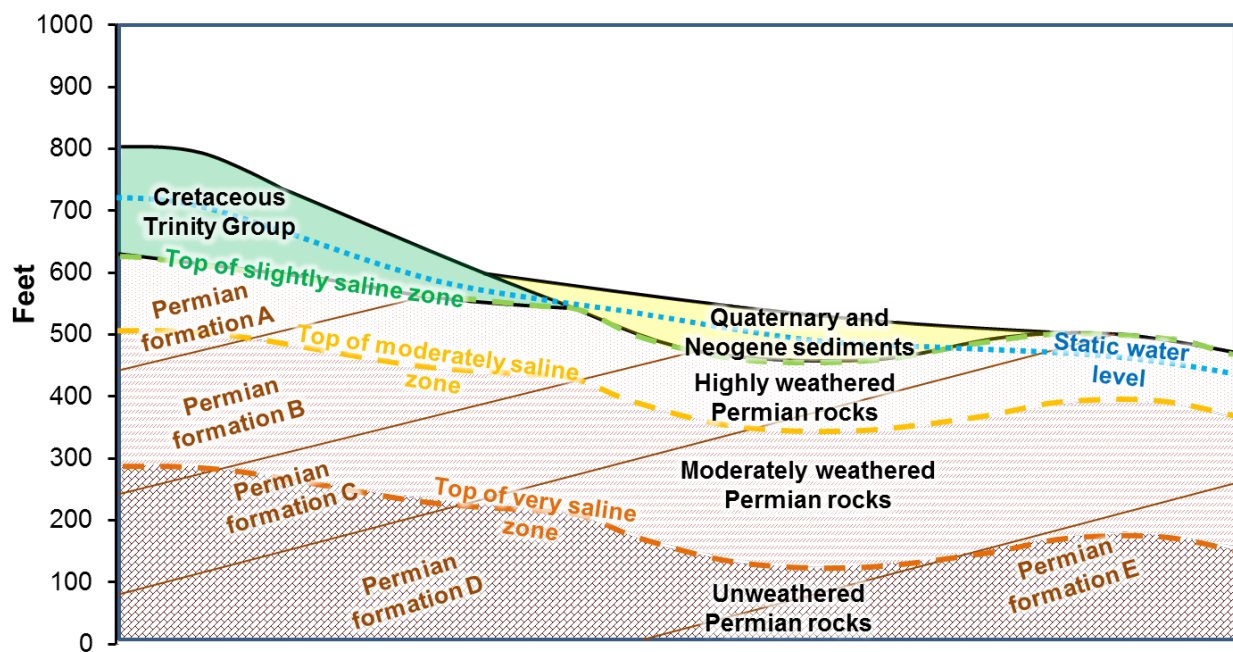


Figure 13.2-1. Schematic representation of brackish groundwater salinity zones.

We did not quantify the volume of the very saline water zone (total dissolved solids between 10,000 and 34,999 milligrams per liter) because there was a lack of sufficient data capable of clearly defining the bottom of the zone. There was only one water sample that had a total dissolved solids measurement greater than 35,000 milligrams per liter (BRACS well identification number 51449, total dissolved solids concentration of 65,800 milligrams per liter at a depth of 903 feet below ground surface).

We calculated the saturated bulk material volume for each of the 10 potential water-bearing stratigraphic intervals within the defined salinity zones in the study area using the Cut and Fill tool in ArcGIS[®] Spatial Analyst[®]. This process required up to four separate calculations for each geological formation: (1) volume of fresh zone, (2) volume of slightly saline zone, (3) volume of moderately saline zone, and (4) volume of the unsaturated zone. We imported the data table from each Cut and Fill grid file into Microsoft[®] Excel[®] and summed the volume of each individual polygon record to calculate the total volume for a geological formation. The results of these

calculations represent the total potential aquifer volume within the study area for each geological formation (Table 13.2-1).

Table 13.2-1. Total saturated bulk material volumes calculated for each potential water-bearing geological formation for defined salinity zones.

| Geological formation | Saturated bulk material volume (million cubic feet) | | |
|----------------------------------|---|-----------------|-------------------|
| | Fresh | Slightly saline | Moderately saline |
| Lueders Formation | 0 | 944,447 | 4,073,862 |
| Arroyo Formation | 0 | 449,598 | 1,962,219 |
| Bullwagon Dolomite | 0 | 208,596 | 440,634 |
| Tubb member | 0 | 527,067 | 1,391,130 |
| Upper Choza member | 0 | 427,797 | 1,341,568 |
| San Angelo Formation | 0 | 157,029 | 833,100 |
| Queen Formation | 0 | 122,300 | 727,997 |
| Seven Rivers Formation | 0 | 678,368 | 2,192,383 |
| Yates Formation | 0 | 354,141 | 1,026,302 |
| Quaternary and Neogene sediments | 149,591 | 0 | 0 |

13.3 Groundwater volume calculation

We believe that both the Quaternary and Neogene sediments and the underlying weathered Permian formations that make up the Lipan Aquifer are in hydrologic communication even where the Permian formations are covered by Cretaceous formations. This assumption is supported by Beach and others (2004), who believe that cross-formational flow occurs between the Cretaceous formations and the underlying aquifers. When combined with the understanding that the weathering of the Permian formations has developed pathways for water to move vertically, it allows us to utilize a common static water level surface throughout the Lipan Aquifer system for purposes of volume calculations.

We used specific yield values from previous studies (Beach and others, 2004; LBG-Guyton Associates, 2003) in conjunction with the volumes listed in Table 13.2-1 to calculate groundwater volumes for each salinity zone in each of the geological formations. For the fresh and slightly saline zones, a specific yield value of 0.05 was used because of the relatively high percentage of silt, clay, and carbonate cement found in these intervals. For the moderately saline zone, a specific yield value of 0.005 was used. This lower specific yield value represents very localized fracture porosity and is highly variable across the study area. The resulting groundwater volumes (Table 13.3-1) are the estimated total available groundwater volume within each salinity zone in each geological formation.

Table 13.3-1. Total available groundwater volume subdivided by salinity zones in each geological formation.

| Geological formation | Available groundwater volume (acre-feet) | | |
|----------------------------------|--|------------------|-------------------|
| | Fresh | Slightly saline | Moderately saline |
| Lueders Formation | 0 | 1,084,079 | 467,616 |
| Arroyo Formation | 0 | 516,069 | 225,232 |
| Bullwagon Dolomite | 0 | 239,435 | 50,578 |
| Tubb member | 0 | 604,992 | 159,680 |
| Upper Choza member | 0 | 491,044 | 153,991 |
| San Angelo Formation | 0 | 180,245 | 95,627 |
| Queen Formation | 0 | 140,381 | 83,563 |
| Seven Rivers Formation | 0 | 778,661 | 251,652 |
| Yates Formation | 0 | 406,499 | 117,804 |
| Quaternary and Neogene sediments | 171,707 | 0 | 0 |
| Total volume | 171,707 | 4,441,405 | 1,605,743 |

We estimate that the total volume of fresh groundwater in the study area is 0.17 million acre-feet and is limited to the Quaternary and Neogene sediments. We estimate that the total volume of brackish groundwater (1,000 to 9,999 milligrams per liter of total dissolved solids) is 6.05 million acre-feet and is limited to the slightly to moderately weathered Permian formations at depths less than 328 feet below the top of the Permian.

Jones and others (2013) calculated the total estimated recoverable storage of groundwater in the Lipan Aquifer to be 4.2 million acre-feet. Their model is based upon a constant aquifer thickness of 400 feet below the ground surface and includes the underlying Dockum Aquifer and the overlying Edwards-Trinity Plateau Aquifer groundwater within the spatial extent of the Lipan Aquifer, so its value for comparison purposes is limited.

LBG-Guyton Associates (2003) calculated the total estimated in place volume of brackish groundwater to be 1.25 million acre-feet plus an additional 2,500 acre-feet of confined availability. They used the pre-2007 geographic extent of the Lipan Aquifer that was limited to the central portions of Tom Green County and small portions of Runnels and Concho counties (TWDB, 2007b). They also used an estimated average aquifer thickness of 75 feet, which is significantly less than the thicknesses of the brackish salinity zones determined by this study.

14. Desalination concentrate disposal

Many desalination plants in Texas discharge concentrate (concentrate from the reverse osmosis process) to a surface water body or evaporation pond in accordance with Texas Commission on Environmental Quality wastewater discharge permits. The recommended groundwater desalination projects for Concho Rural Water Supply Corporation and City of San Angelo propose evaporation ponds and injection wells for concentrate disposal, respectively (Freese and Nichols and LBG-Guyton Associates, 2015).

Class II injection wells dispose produced water, obtained from oil and gas wells, into subsurface zones where groundwater is greater than 10,000 milligrams per liter total dissolved solids (except in very specific circumstances). Railroad Commission of Texas rules further require that freshwater strata be protected from the disposal formation by impervious beds (16 TAC § 3.9). Class II injection wells can be used for disposal of nonhazardous desalination concentrate or nonhazardous drinking water treatment residuals if the following well types and conditions apply (CDM Smith, 2014):

- Class II Type 1: Disposal injection well into a nonproductive oil and gas zone or interval. The well can be dually permitted as a Class I injection well under the Texas Commission of Environmental Quality General Permit. The well must meet all applicable construction standards of a Class I well under 30 Texas Administrative Code Section 331.62.*
- Class II Type 2: Injection well into a productive oil and gas zone or interval. The well can be dually permitted as a Class I injection well under the Texas Commission of Environmental Quality General Permit. The well must meet all applicable construction standards of a Class I well under 30 Texas Administrative Code Section 331.62.*
- Class II Type 3: Enhanced recovery injection well. This type of well can receive a permit amendment under the Railroad Commission of Texas.*

For future desalination plants that may be built in the study area, if disposal of desalination concentrate using a Class II injection well is considered as a potential option, a considerable amount of research must be undertaken to ensure that the well meets construction requirements, appropriate permits are obtained, and a contract with the owner of the injection well can be obtained for the lifetime of the project (Mace and others, 2006; CDM Smith, 2014).

Class II injection well data was obtained from the Underground Injection Control Database of the Railroad Commission of Texas. We mapped the location of Class II injection wells to identify sites where produced water may have been disposed within the study area. A total of 1,383 Class II injection wells were located within the study area. We prepared two maps of Class II injection wells: wells that have not been plugged (Figure 14-1), and wells that have been plugged (Figure 14-2). Well status is summarized in Table 14-1.

Users of this information should conduct a thorough investigation of a well should a Class II well be considered for concentrate disposal or if groundwater development is considered near an existing Class II well. Another option for concentrate disposal is using a Class I injection well permitted under the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality General Permit. The Class I General Permit only applies to wells disposing of nonhazardous desalination concentrate or nonhazardous drinking water treatment residuals.

Table 14-1. Class II injection wells in the Lipan Aquifer study area. Data obtained in 2012 from the Underground Injection Control Database of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

| Class II well type | Plugging status | Activity status | Total well count |
|---------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 | Not plugged | Active | 26 |
| 1 | Not plugged | Not active | 9 |
| 2 | Not plugged | Active | 134 |
| 2 | Not plugged | Not active | 17 |
| 3 | Not plugged | Active | 600 |
| 3 | Not plugged | Not active | 115 |
| | | | |
| 1 | Plugged | Active | 35 |
| 1 | Plugged | Not active | 16 |
| 2 | Plugged | Active | 153 |
| 2 | Plugged | Not active | 11 |
| 3 | Plugged | Active | 222 |
| 3 | Plugged | Not active | 45 |

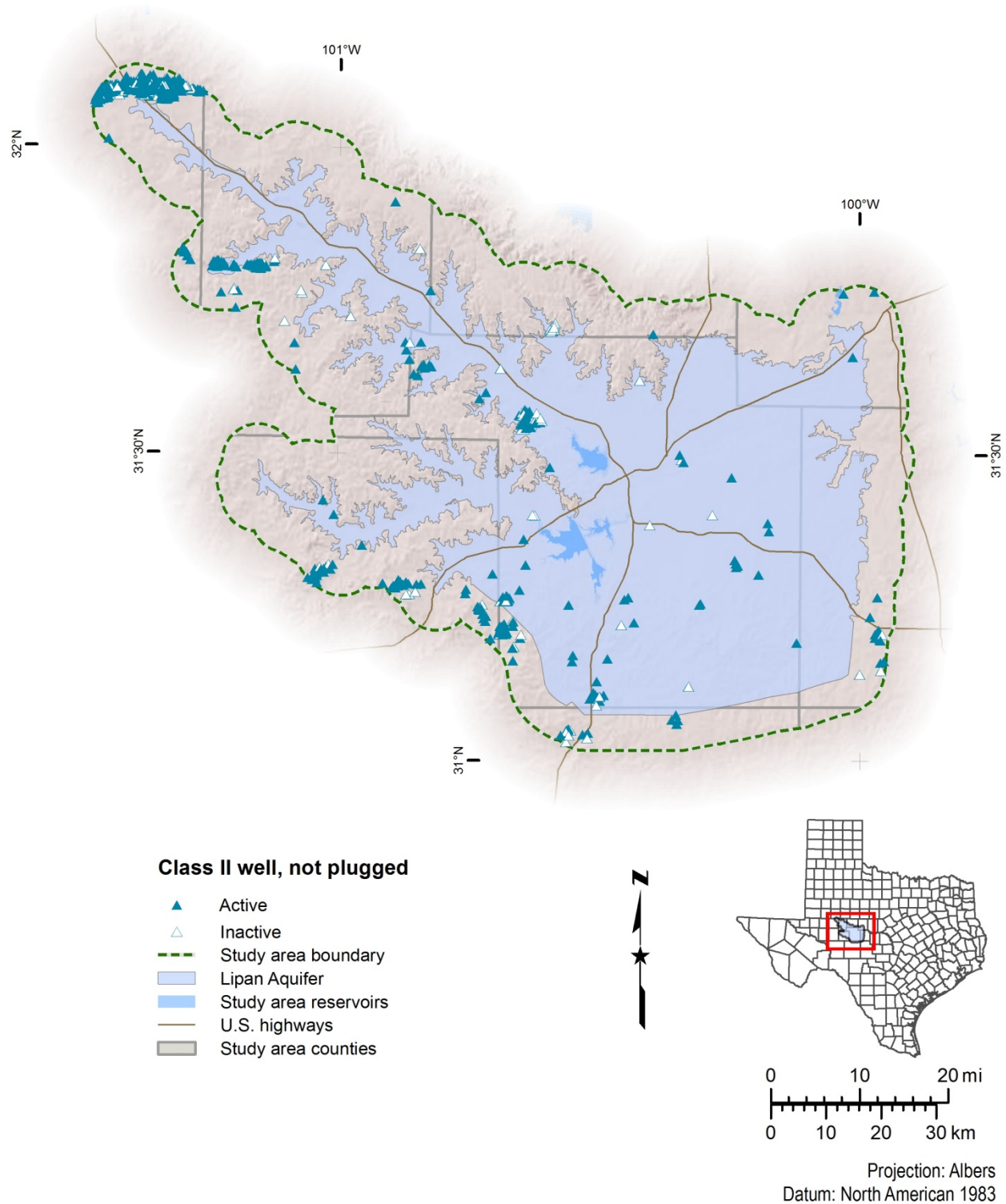


Figure 14-1. Distribution of non-plugged Class II injection wells in the Lipan Aquifer study area. Data obtained in 2012 from the Underground Injection Control Database of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

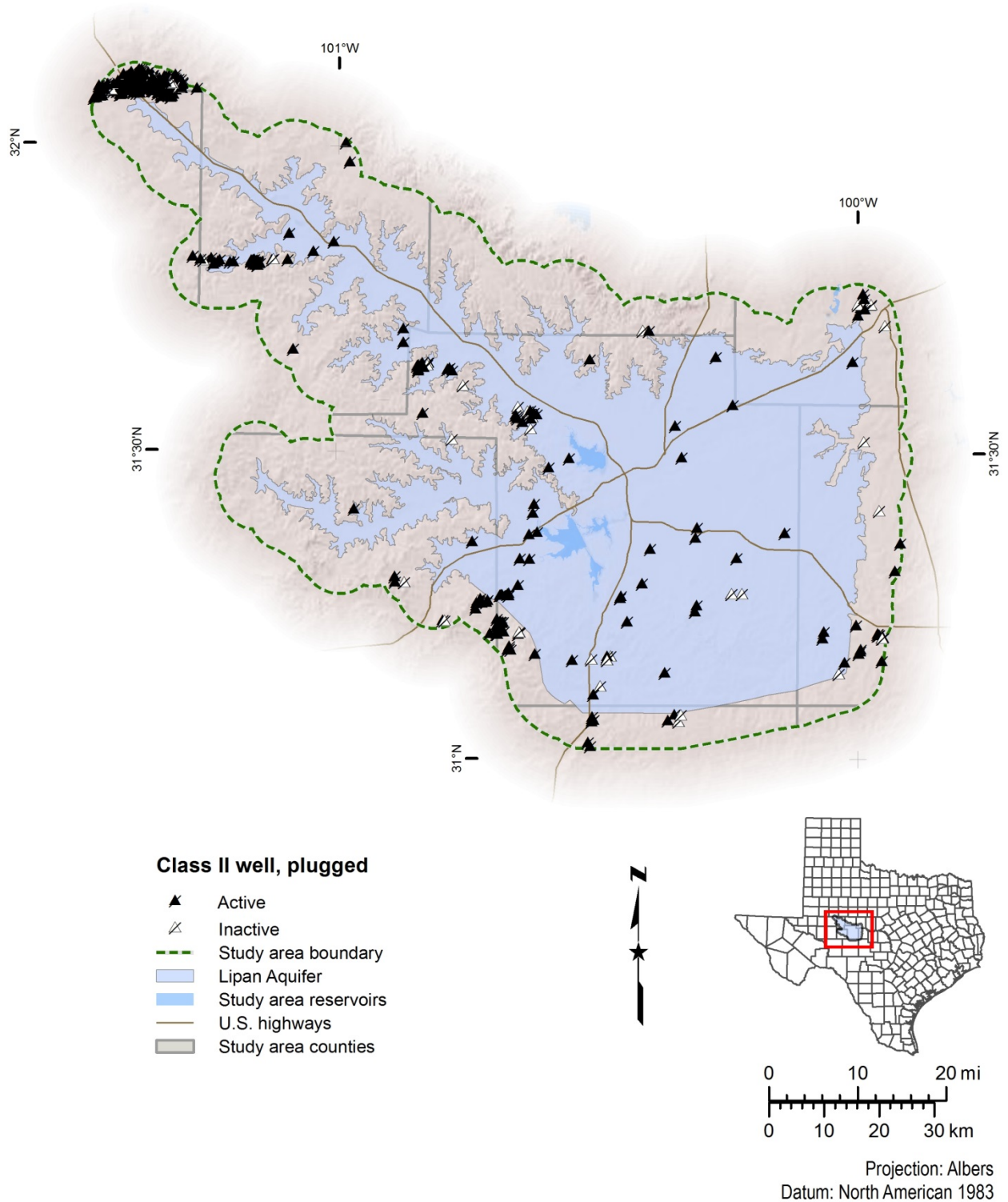


Figure 14-2. Distribution of plugged Class II injection wells in the Lipan Aquifer study area. Data obtained in 2012 from the Underground Injection Control Database of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

15. Brackish groundwater production zone consideration

In 2015, the 84th Texas Legislature passed House Bill 30, directing the TWDB to (1) identify and designate brackish groundwater production zones, (2) determine the volumes of groundwater that a brackish groundwater production zone can produce over 30-year and 50-year periods without causing significant impact to water availability or water quality, (3) work with groundwater conservation districts and stakeholders, and (4) make recommendations on reasonable monitoring to observe the effects of brackish groundwater production within the zone. The legislation further requires the TWDB to complete designating brackish groundwater production zones in the whole state by December 1, 2022. On October 20, 2016, the Board designated a total of eight brackish groundwater production zones in the Carrizo-Wilcox, the Gulf Coast, and the Rustler aquifers. No zones were designated in the Blaine Aquifer.

House Bill 30 requires that brackish groundwater production zones are in areas with moderate to high availability and productivity of brackish groundwater and that are separated by hydrogeologic barriers sufficient to prevent significant impacts to water availability or water quality in geologic strata that have an average total dissolved solids concentrations of 1,000 milligrams per liter or less.

House Bill 30 also excluded certain areas from designation:

- The Edwards (Balcones Fault Zone) Aquifer located within the jurisdiction of the Edwards Aquifer Authority.
- Areas within the boundaries of the Barton Springs-Edwards Aquifer Conservation District, the Harris-Galveston Subsidence District, and the Fort Bend Subsidence District.
- Aquifers, subdivisions of aquifers, or geologic strata that have an average total dissolved solids concentration of more than 1,000 milligrams per liter and serve as a significant source of water supply for municipal, domestic, or agricultural purposes.
- Geologic formations that are designated or used for wastewater injection through the use of injection or disposal wells permitted under Texas Water Code Chapter 27.

The Lipan Aquifer was evaluated based on House Bill 30 requirements and no brackish groundwater production zones are recommended for designation. There are two requirements that the Lipan Aquifer does not meet and exclude it from consideration. The first is that hydrogeologic barriers do not exist between the brackish Permian units and the overlying Quaternary and Neogene sediments where fresh water occurs. The second is that groundwater average total dissolved solids concentration is greater than 1,000 milligrams per liter and the Lipan Aquifer serves as a significant water source for municipal, domestic, and agricultural purposes. Available water quality data for total dissolved solids was evaluated from the Permian units and the overlying Quaternary and Neogene sediments. The average measured total dissolved solids concentration was approximately 1,600 milligrams per liter. Samples with a concentration above 4,000 milligrams per liter were considered outliers and excluded from this calculation.

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality records were reviewed for Class I, III, IV, and V injection wells and determined no such wells exist in the study area. These types of wells may be used for wastewater disposal under Texas Water Code Chapter 27. The permitted Class II

injection wells from the Railroad Commission of Texas in the study area were mapped (refer to Section 14). Since brackish groundwater production zones are not being recommended for designation, no further effort was made to evaluate identified Class II wells in the study area. However, any entity that is considering groundwater development should perform a thorough investigation of any injection wells in the area.

16. Future improvements

This study relied upon records from thousands of wells drilled for both water and hydrocarbons that have been collected into public databases over the past 50 years. Yet even with this large volume of data and information, we found that there are practically no reports on the water chemistry and aquifer hydraulics of the brackish groundwater formations that make up the Lipan Aquifer. As new wells are drilled in the Lipan Aquifer area, it would be helpful to obtain water quality information using discrete interval sampling methods from deeper brackish water formations. In brackish water intervals that appear to contain significant groundwater, pumping test data would greatly enhance our knowledge of the hydraulic properties of these formations.

We also found that the existing groundwater availability model (Beach and others, 2004) is overly simplified and may not represent an accurate physical model of the Lipan Aquifer system. The model assumes a single 400-foot-thick layer that extends beneath ground surface regardless of the geology. We found in this study that groundwater quality is strongly controlled by the geological formations and that there is a definite vertical gradation of aquifer hydraulic properties. An advanced numerical groundwater availability model that incorporates the hydrostratigraphy detailed in this report would provide a more accurate predictive model.

New geophysical remote sensing techniques such as high resolution seismic tomography, electrical resistivity, and ground penetrating radar may be capable of providing detailed visualizations of the shallow Lipan Aquifer. These techniques utilize nondestructive energy sources to detect variations in rock densities and groundwater salinities within a few hundred feet of the ground surface, although data from boreholes are still required to accurately interpret and calibrate the results.

17. Conclusions

The Lipan Aquifer study area experienced severe drought conditions beginning in 2011 when annual precipitation was one-third the historical average. Storage in major surface water reservoirs decreased to 13 percent of capacity. Despite increased statewide precipitation in 2014 and 2015, area reservoirs increased to only 19 percent by 2016. In response to requests from stakeholders in the region to evaluate drought resistant water management strategies, the TWDB performed a BRACS study of the Lipan Aquifer.

We found that there are approximately 0.17 million acre-feet of fresh water (0 to 999 milligrams per liter of total dissolved solids), 4.44 million acre-feet of slightly saline water (1,000 to 2,999 milligrams per liter of total dissolved solids), and 1.61 million acre-feet of moderately saline water (3,000 to 9,999 milligrams per liter of total dissolved solids) available in the Lipan Aquifer. The total volume of brackish groundwater is 6.05 million acre-feet. Not all of the brackish groundwater can be economically or technically produced. Nevertheless, these estimates provide indications of the potential availability of this important resource.

For the study, we collected thousands of water well and geophysical well logs for geological, water chemistry, water level, and aquifer test data from a wide variety of sources to characterize groundwater in the Lipan Aquifer. We used this data to perform detailed stratigraphic mapping that was critical to our understanding of this complex hydrogeologic system.

We present in this study structural and stratigraphic models in greater detail than those previously available for the study area. The salinity zone model of the weathered Permian formations documented in this study provides a useful tool for understanding the occurrence of brackish groundwater and a guide for developing this resource in the future. A significant portion of the brackish groundwater is within weathered Permian formations overlain by Cretaceous formations. There are very few instances where wells have been completed within the Permian formations in these overlain areas, which suggests that the development of brackish groundwater in these areas may represent an untapped resource.

We have proposed a new model for the fresh water-bearing Quaternary and Neogene sediments that fill the Lipan Flat portion of the study area. Our model suggests that the basal conglomerates are probably Neogene in age and may be time equivalent to the Ogallala Formation. This fresh water-bearing conglomerate lies directly upon Permian aged formations and is capped in most places with a 20- to 50-foot thick caliche interval that may locally be a confining layer.

Because of the relatively large variation of the distribution of the total dissolved solids concentrations calculated from geophysical well logs, we found it necessary to statistically bin the results. This technique allowed us to generate charts of total dissolved solids concentration versus depth for each potentially water-bearing formation in the study. We subsequently were able to use these charts to determine at what depths the fresh, slightly saline, and moderately saline groundwater salinity zones could be expected.

This study should be a valuable guide for water providers planning on future brackish groundwater developments. The 2016 Region F Regional Water Plan predicts a need of an additional 57,832 acre-feet of new water supply annually by decade 2070 for Concho, Runnels,

and Tom Green counties. The plan includes recommended water management strategies for the City of San Angelo and the Concho Rural Water Supply Corporation for 3,900 acre-feet of desalinated brackish groundwater.

TWDB staff did not recommend designation of brackish groundwater production zones in the Lipan Aquifer because (1) of the lack of hydrogeologic barriers separating fresh and brackish groundwater and (2) brackish groundwater (with an average total dissolved solid concentration of more than 1,000 milligrams per liter) is currently serving as a significant source for municipal, domestic, or agricultural purposes.

Study deliverables include a peer-reviewed published report, Geographic Information System (GIS) map files, BRACS Database and Data Dictionary, and water well and geophysical well log files. The real value of this study is the GIS and BRACS Database information. The data can be used by stakeholders to map areas for potential groundwater development. Finally, information contained in the report is not intended to serve as a substitute for site-specific studies that are required to evaluate local aquifer characteristics and groundwater conditions for a desalination project.

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20. Appendices

20.1 Formation surfaces

We created raster surfaces representing elevations of the geological formations in the study area using geophysical well log correlations from wells in the BRACS Database.

Using these rasters we created geological formation maps depicting the (1) depth to the top (in units of feet below ground surface), (2) elevation of the top (in units of feet, datum mean sea level, and (3) isochore lines (in units of feet) for many of the geological units located in the study area. Isochore lines are lines along which true, vertical thickness remains the same (as opposed to isopach lines that indicate the thickness of a geological unit perpendicular to the top and bottom of the unit and do not take into account post-depositional tilting). The maps are presented in this appendix in ascending stratigraphic order, from oldest to youngest. The maps showing the elevation and depth to the top of the geological units are presented together in alternating pages (Figure 20.1-1 through Figure 20.1-32) followed by a map of the ground-surface elevation (Figure 20.1-33); isochore line maps follow in a separate group (Figure 20.1-34 through Figure 20.1-50). An isochore map showing the thickness of the Lueders Formation was not created because we did not map the base of the Lueders Formation.

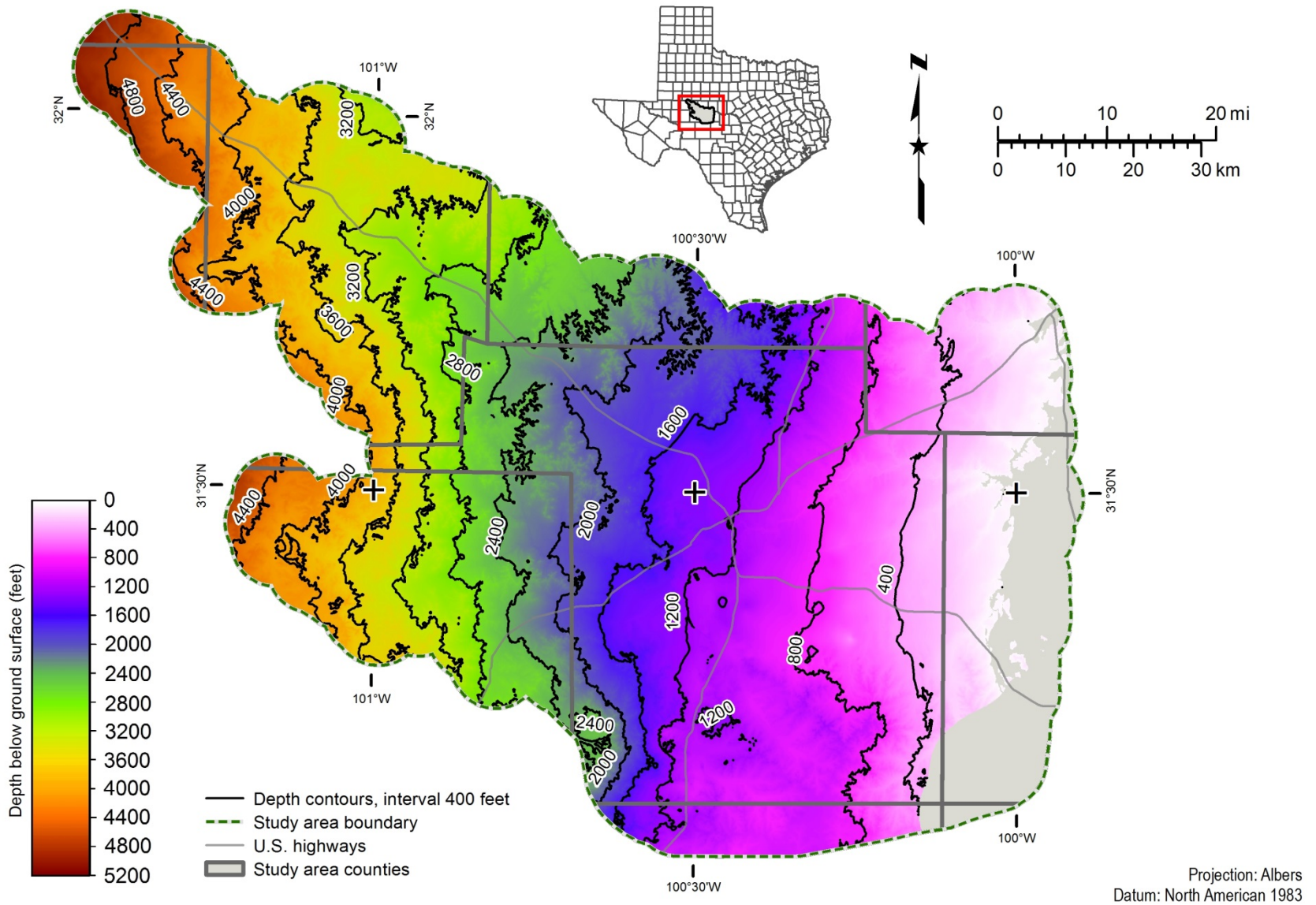


Figure 20.1-1. Lueders Formation top (depth below ground surface, feet) in the Lipan Aquifer study area. Gray area in map represents places where the top of the Lueders Formation does not occur.

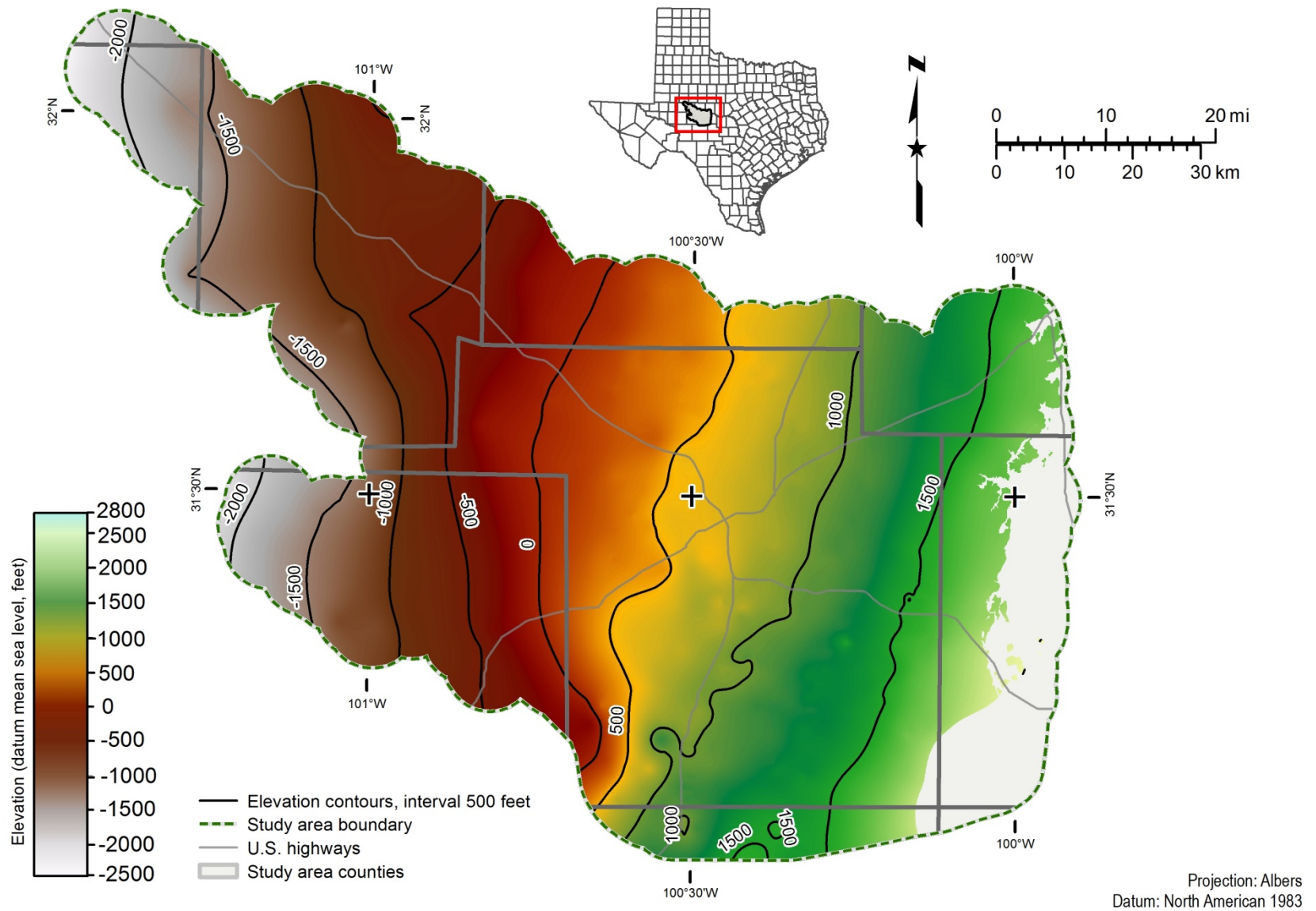


Figure 20.1-2. Lueders Formation top (elevation datum mean sea level, feet) in the Lipan Aquifer study area. Gray area in map represents places where the top of the Lueders Formation does not occur.

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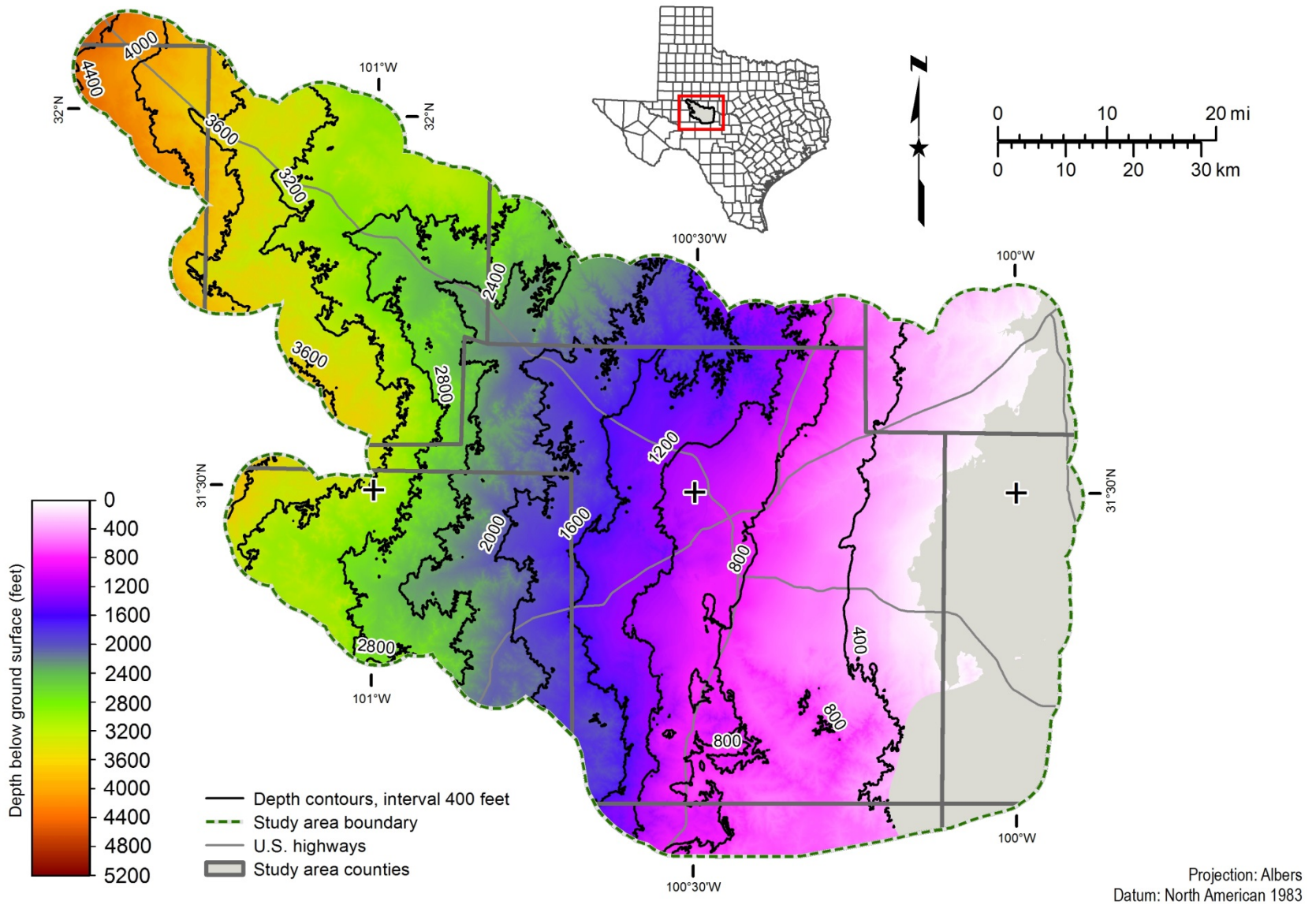


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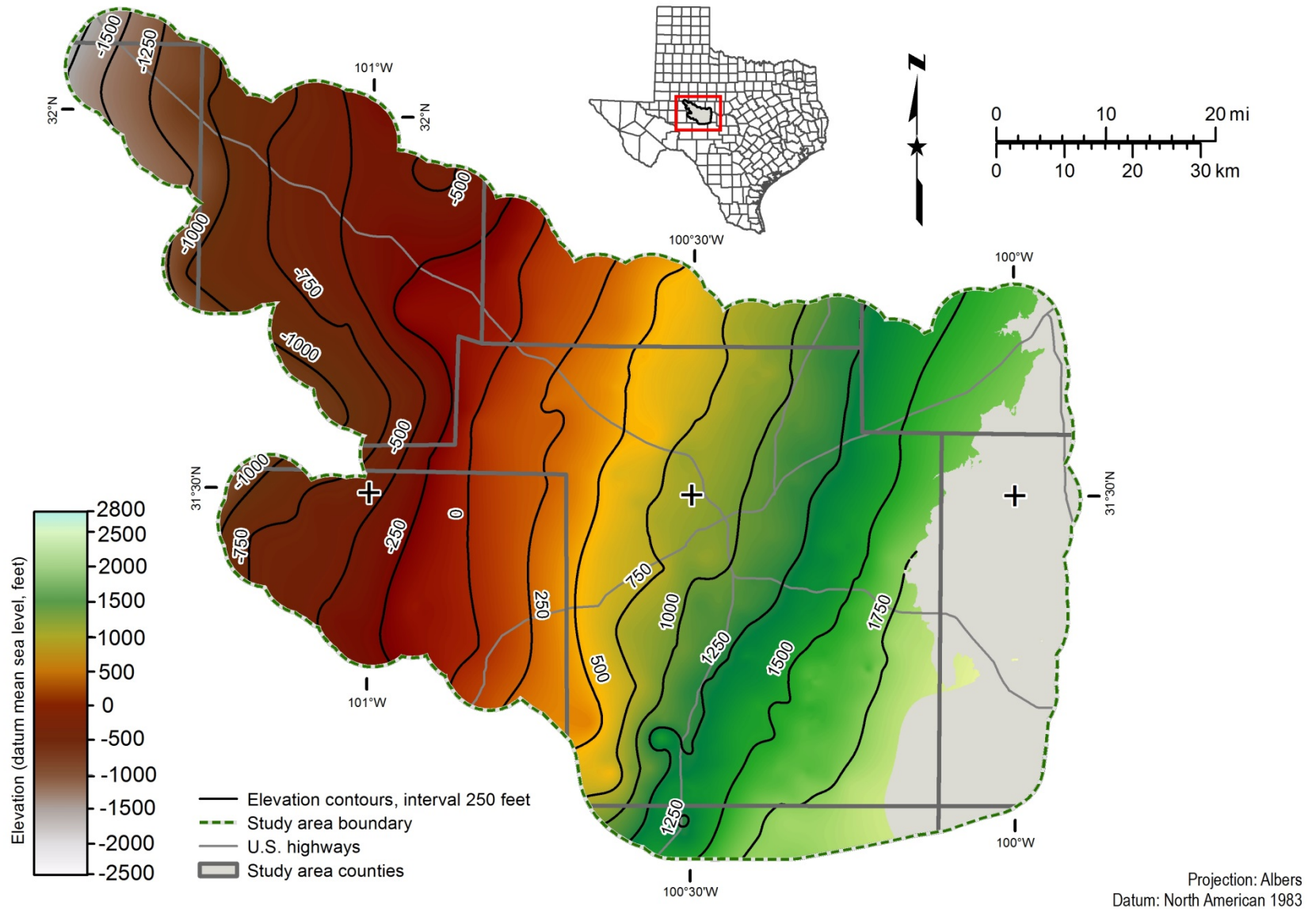


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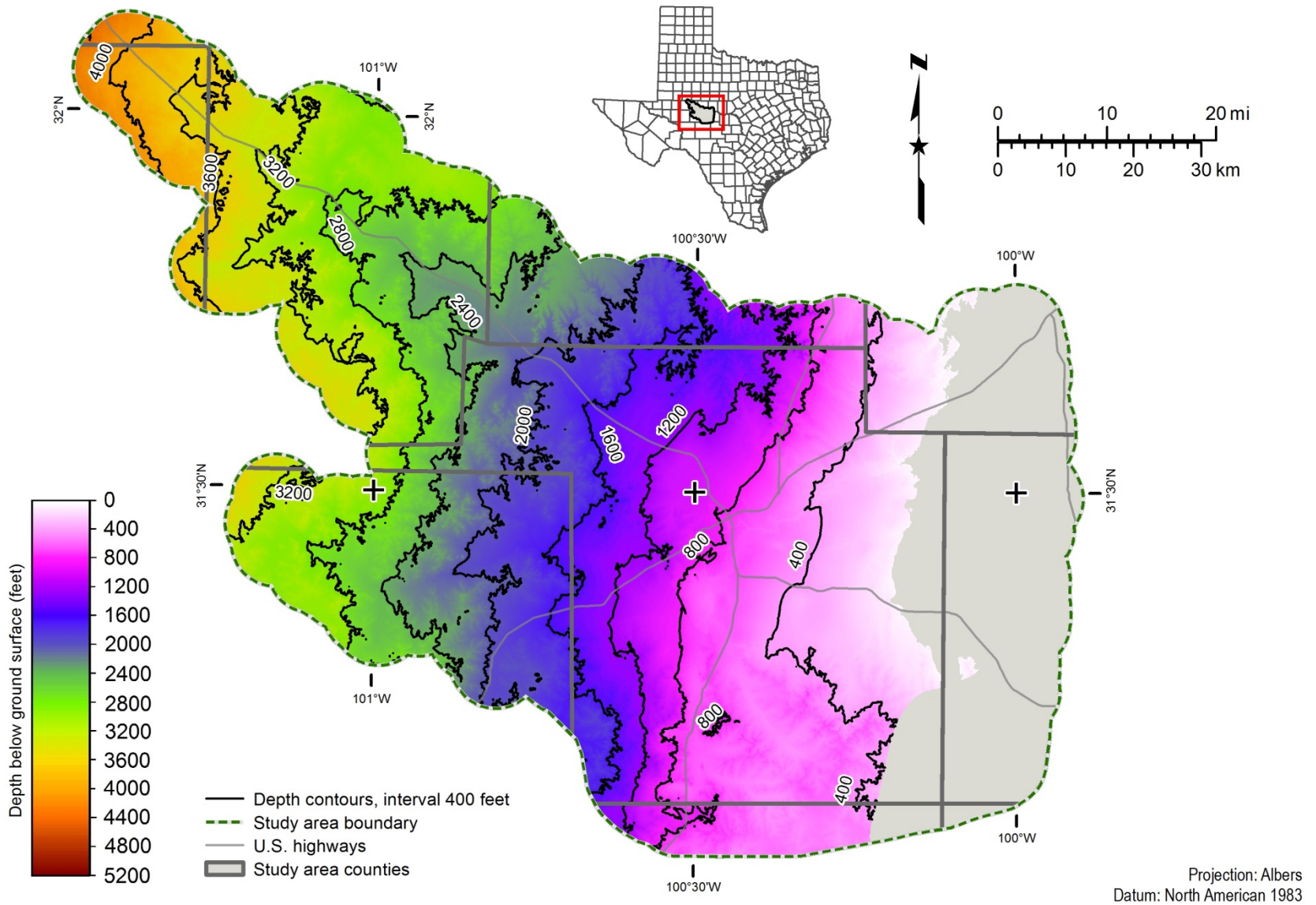


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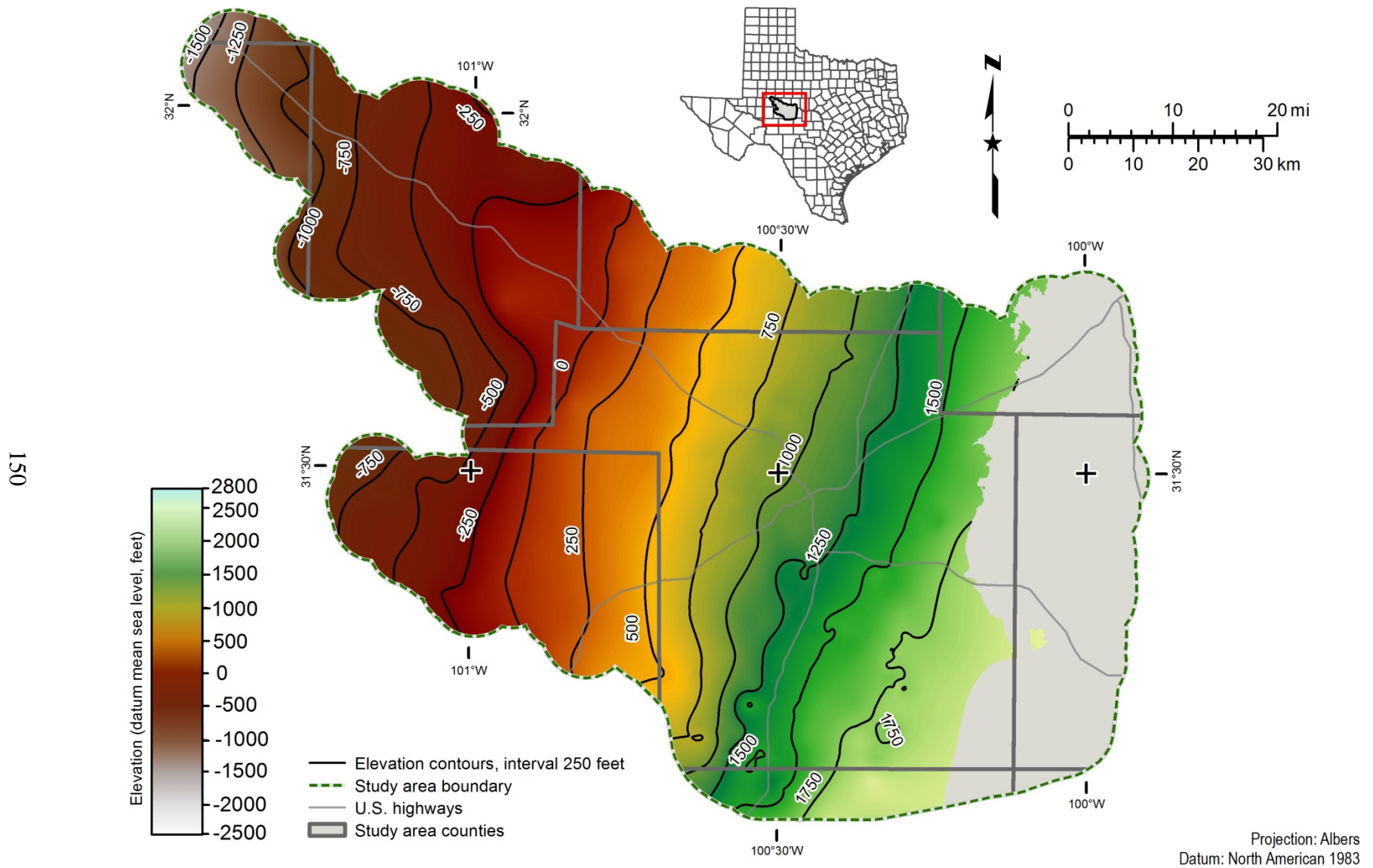


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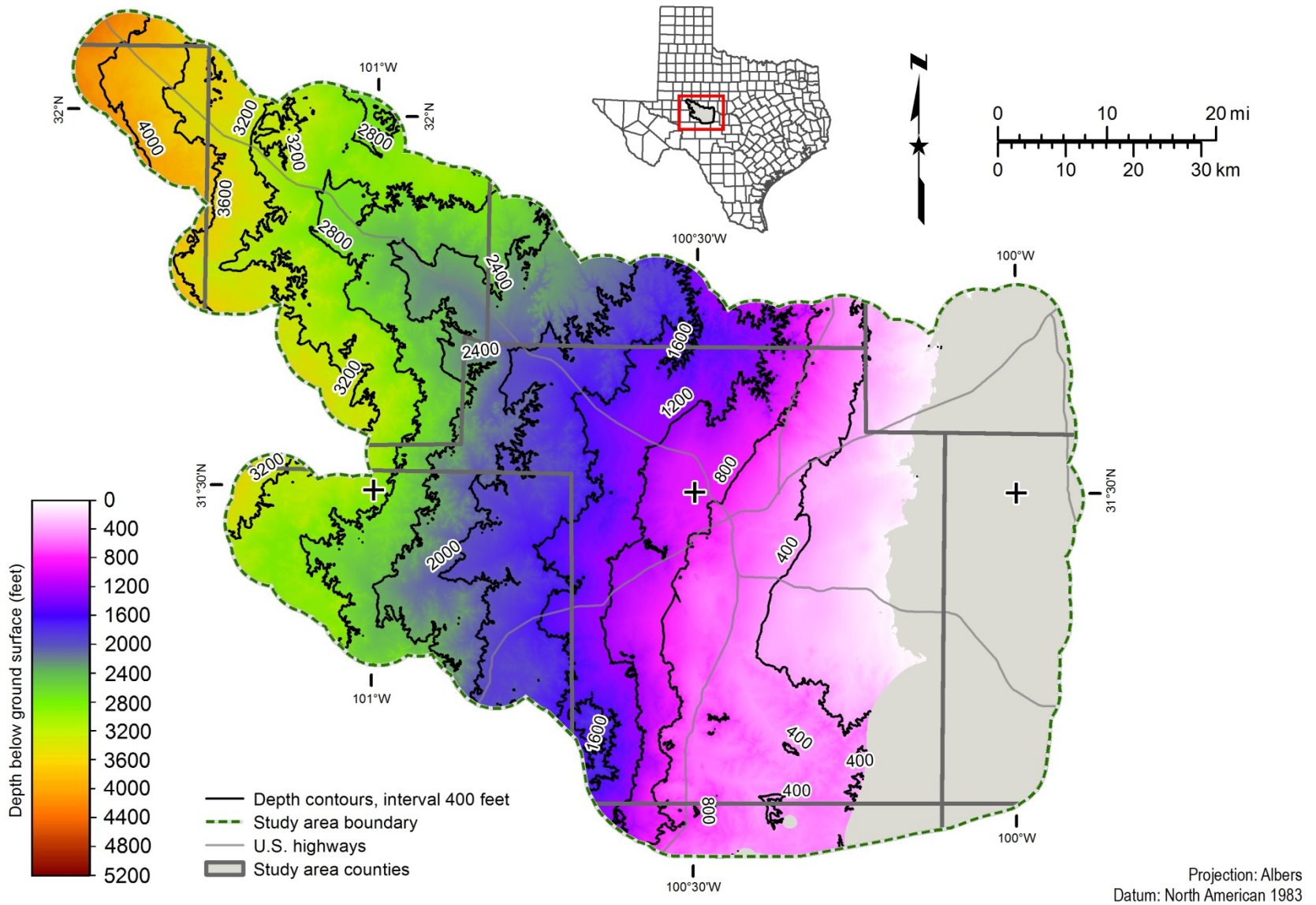


Figure 20.1-7. Bullwagon Dolomite top (depth below ground surface, feet) in the Lipan Aquifer study area. Gray area in map represents places where the top of the Bullwagon Dolomite does not occur.

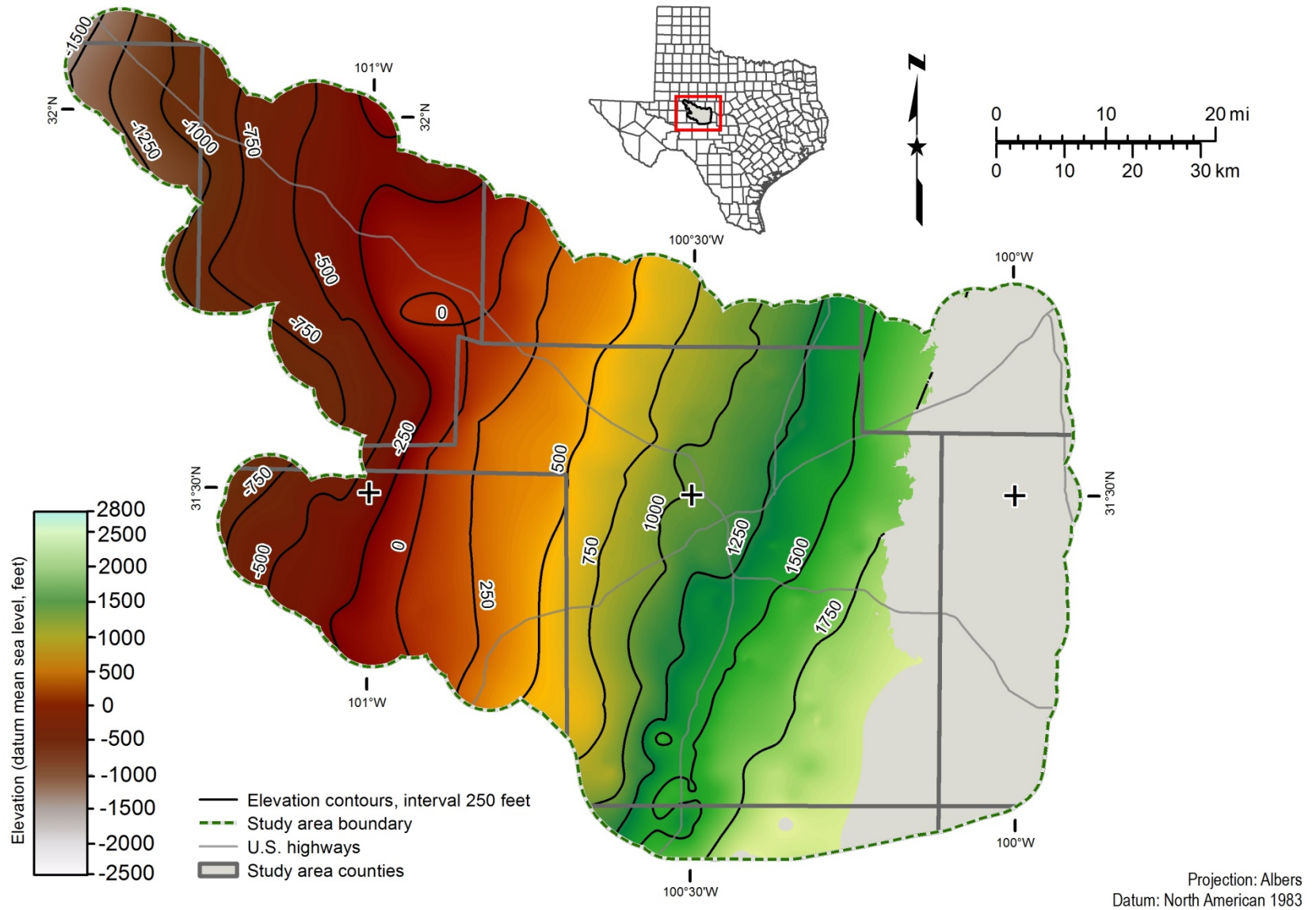


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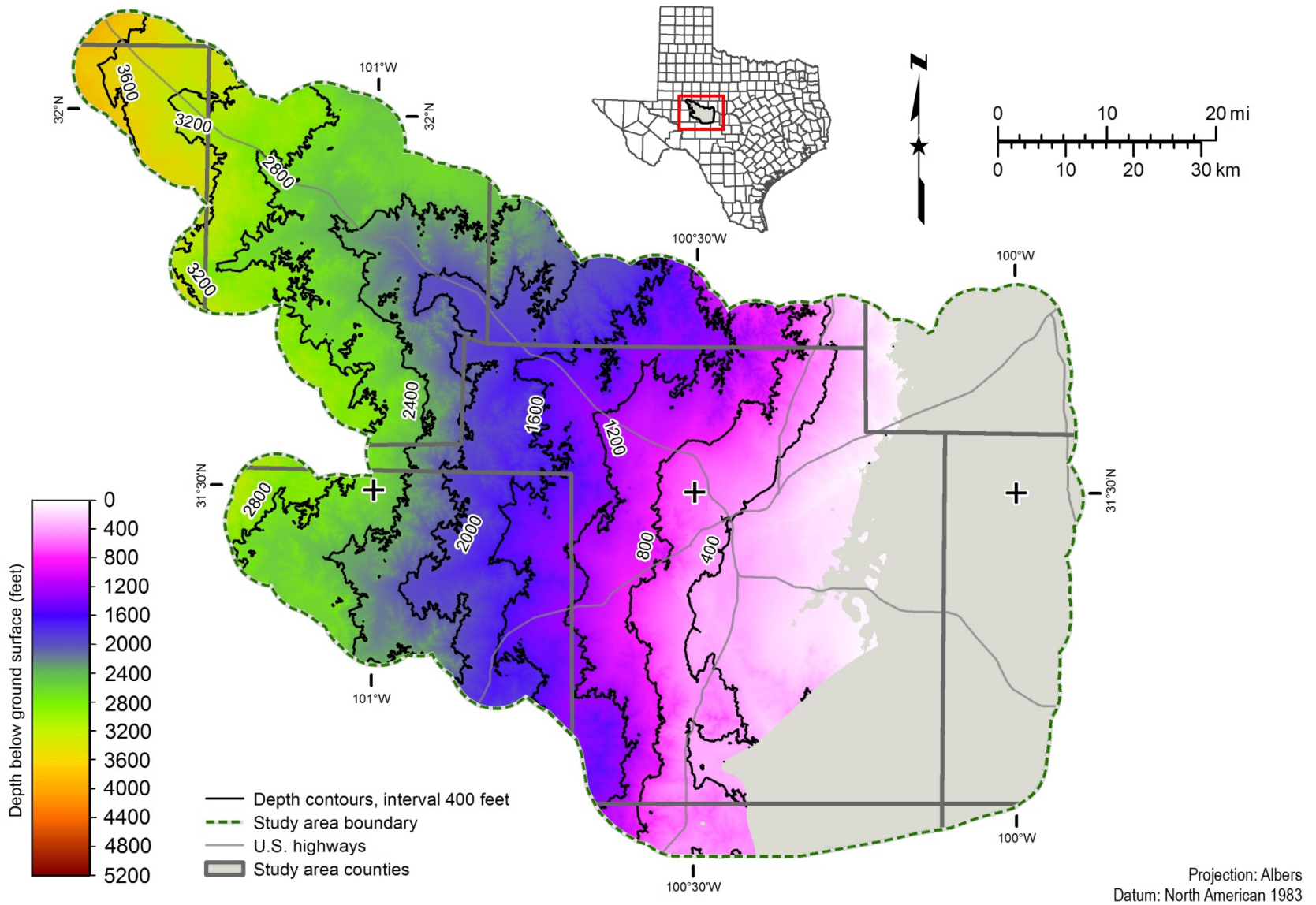


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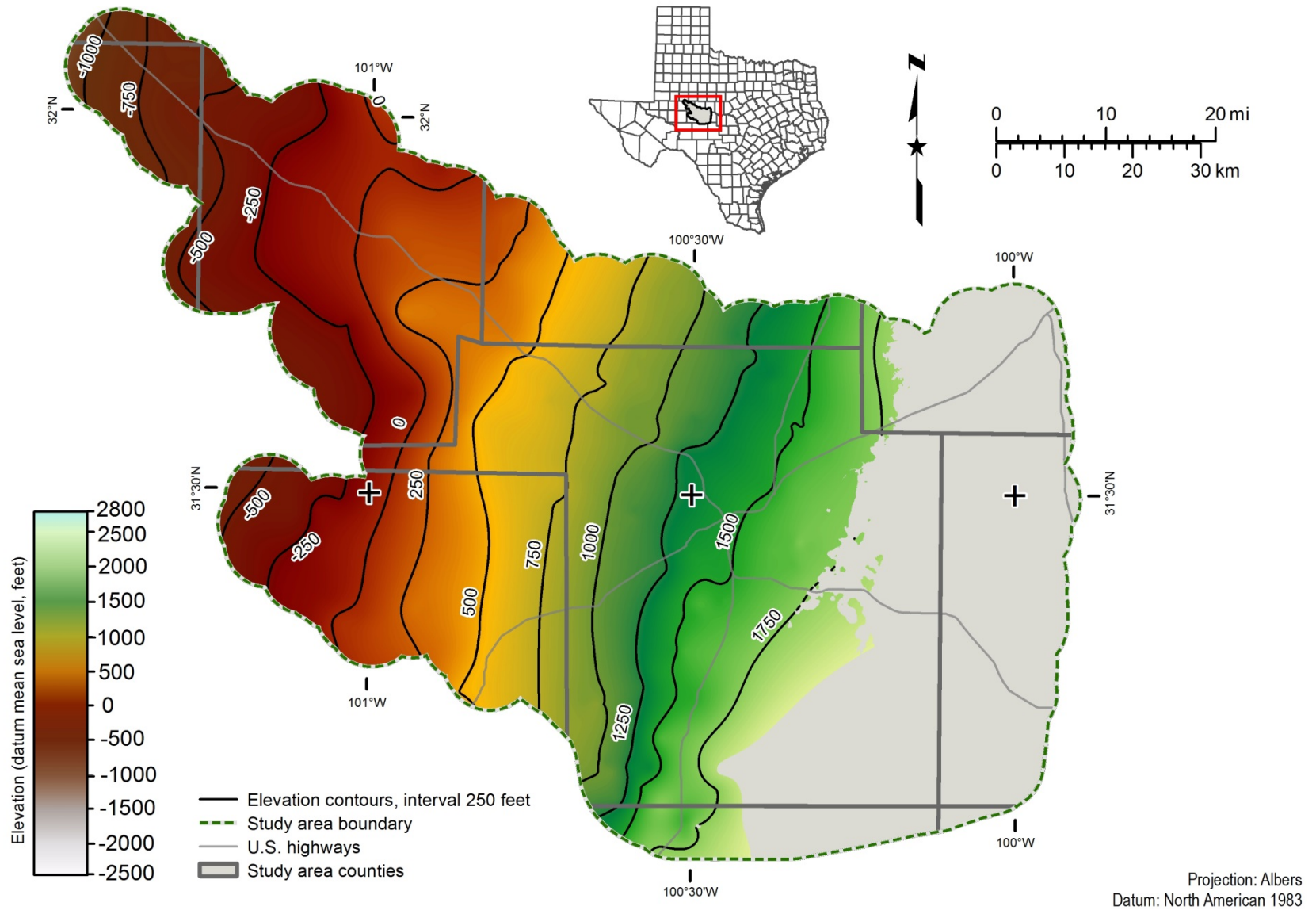


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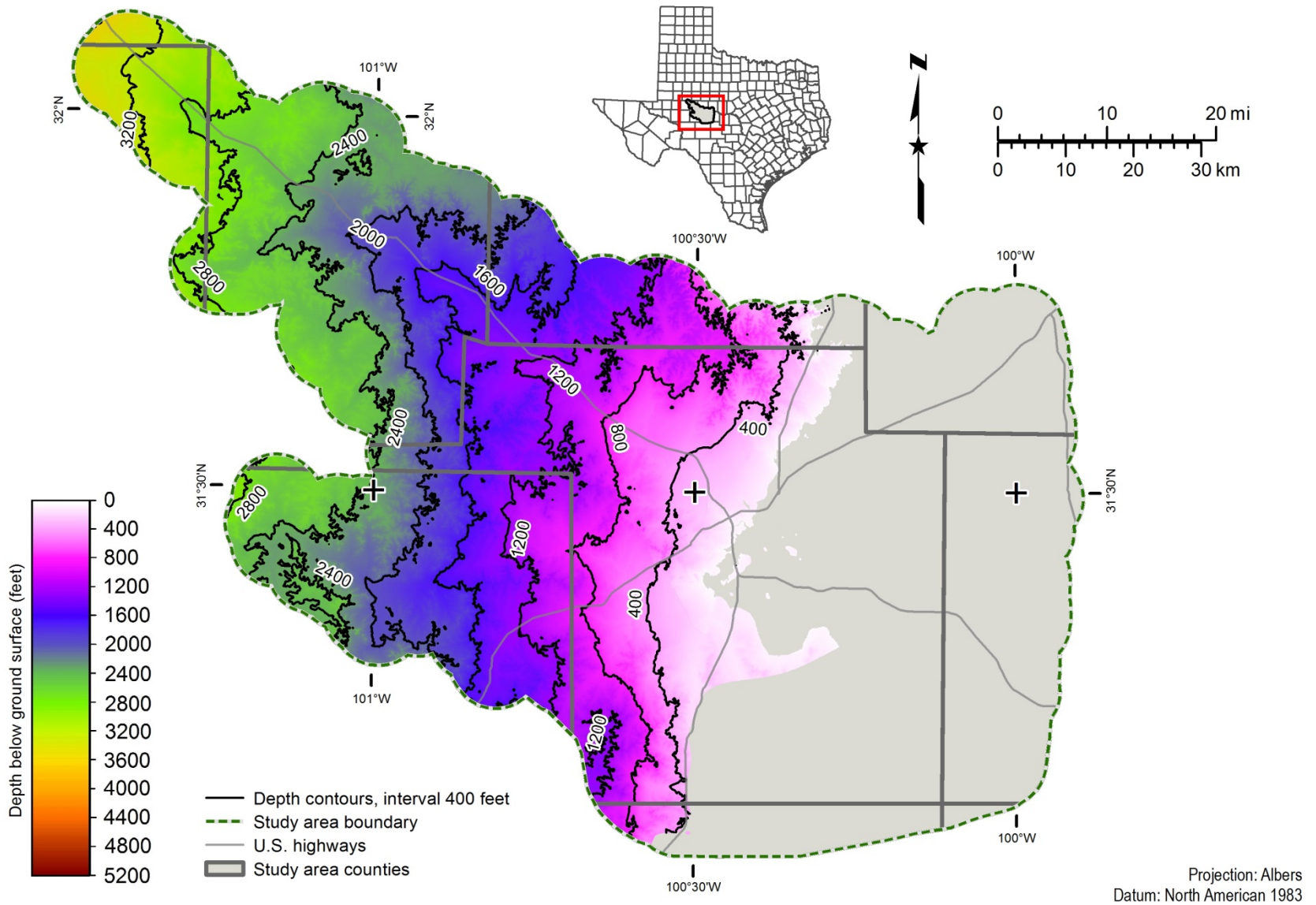


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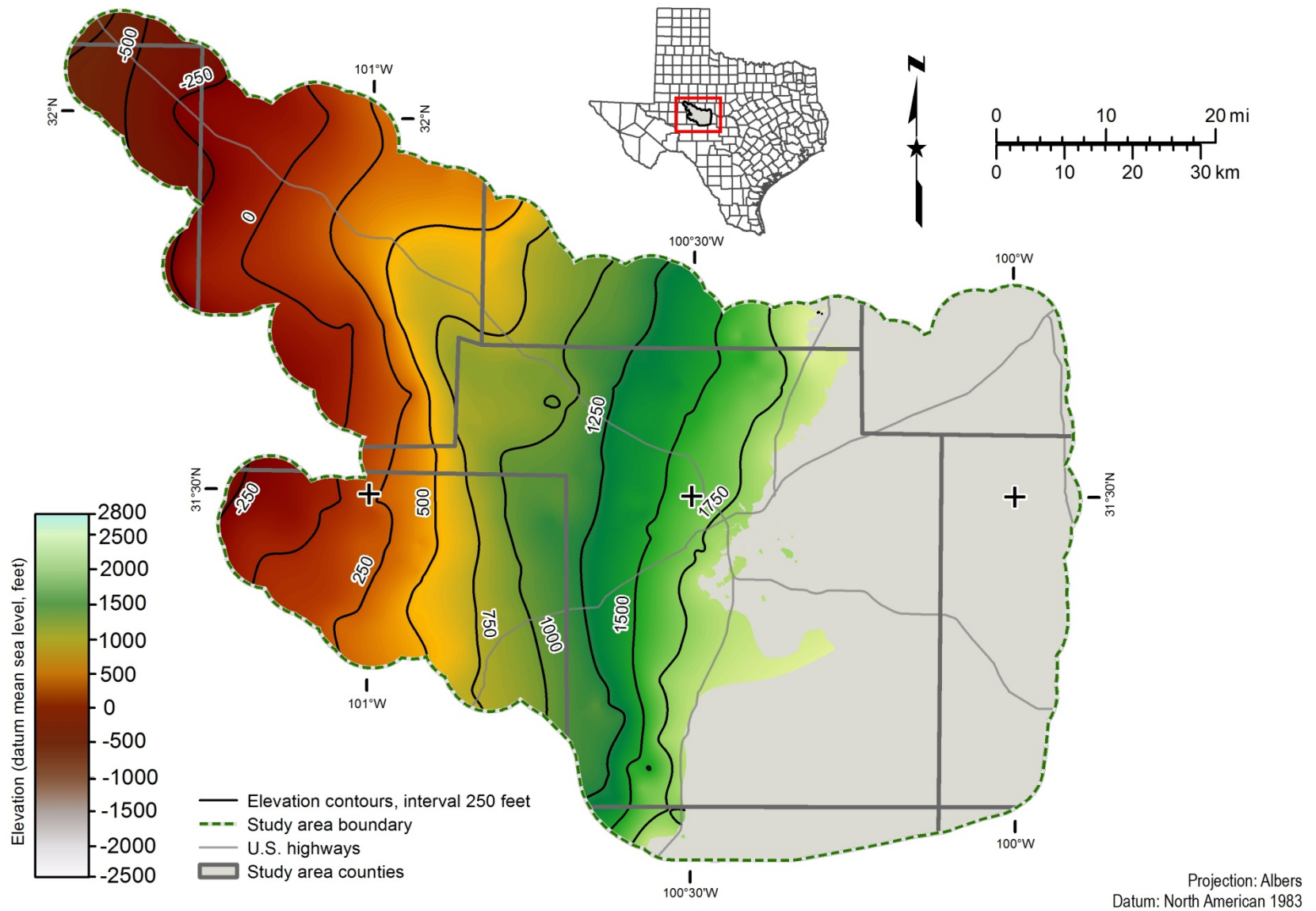


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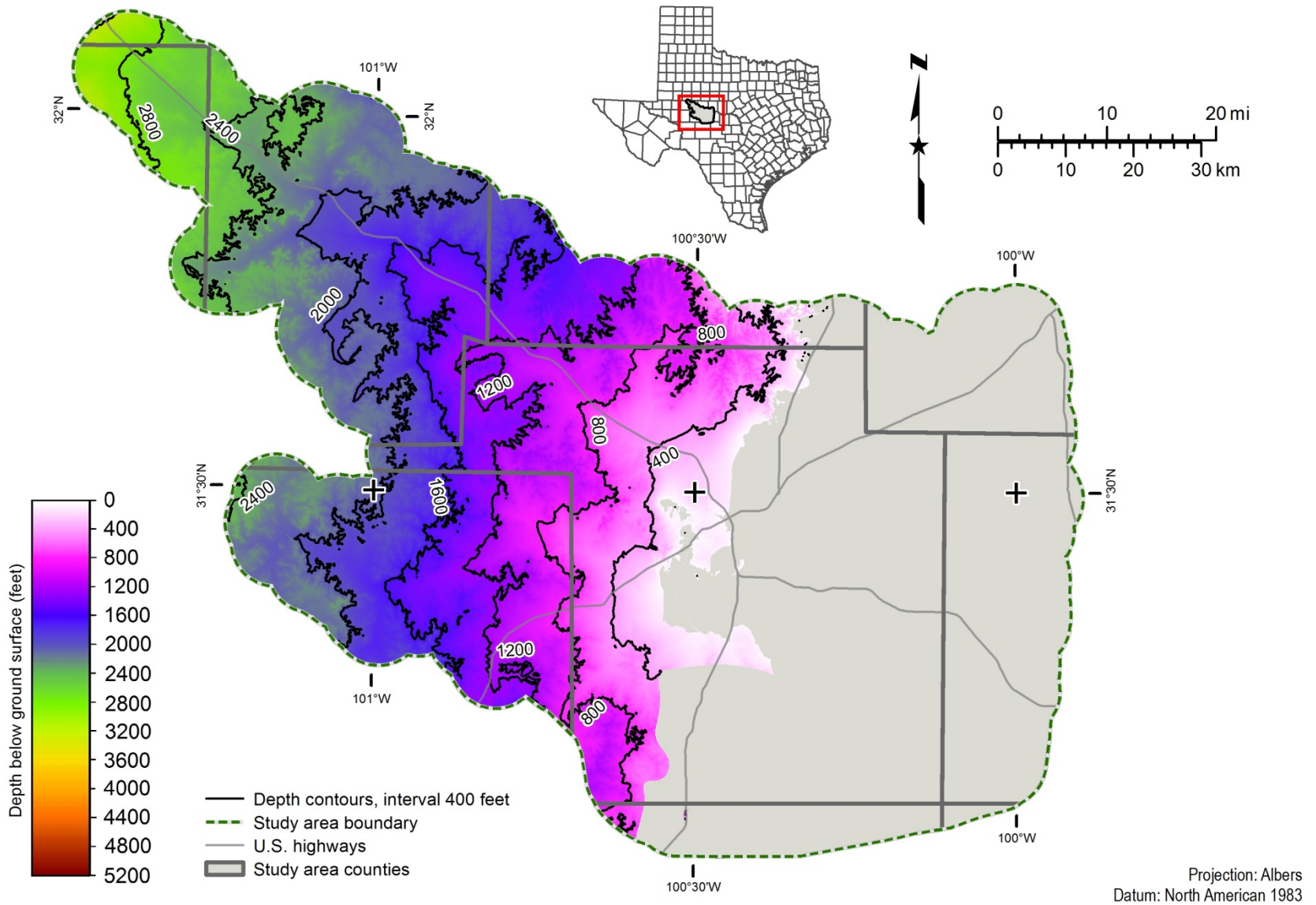


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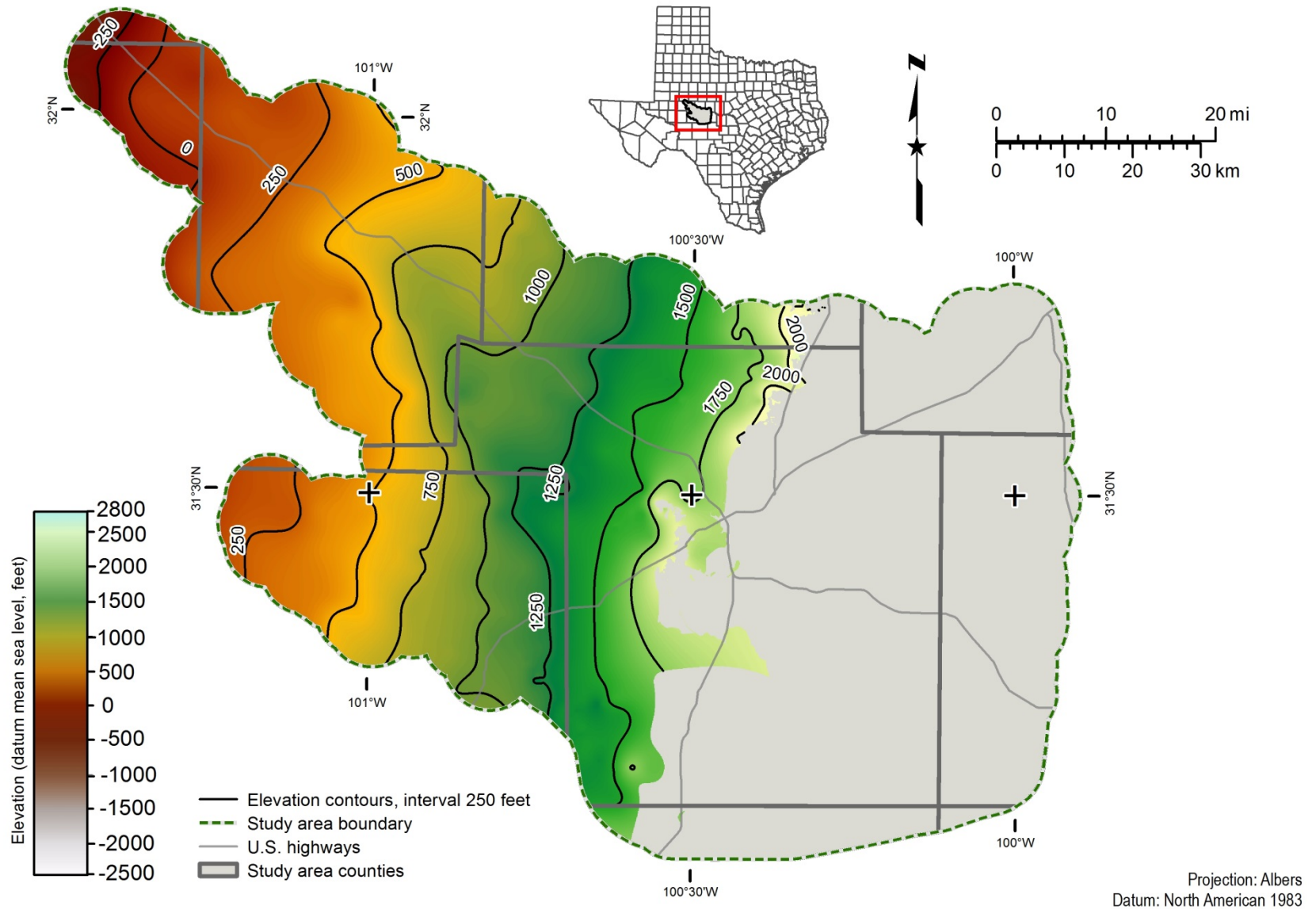


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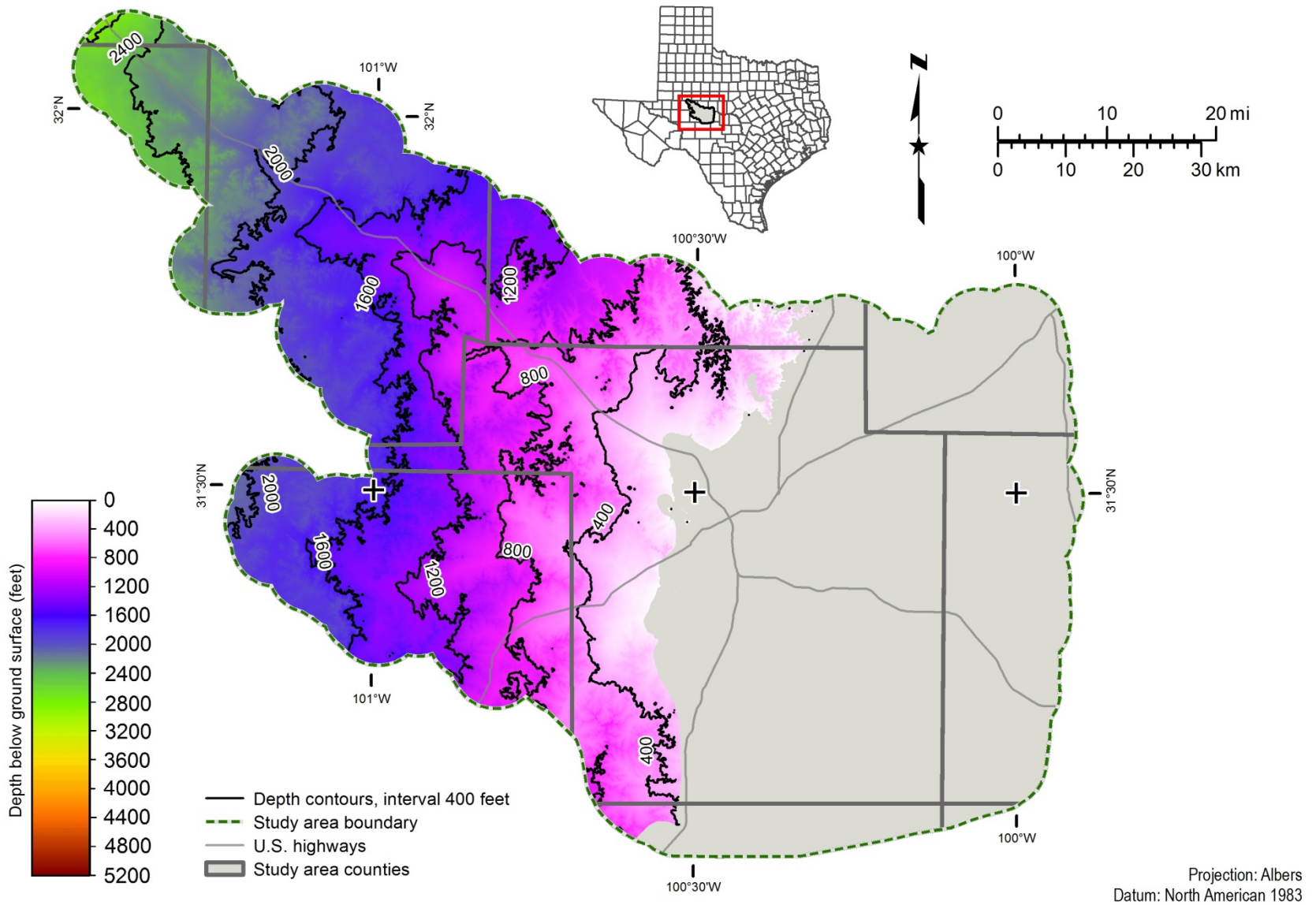


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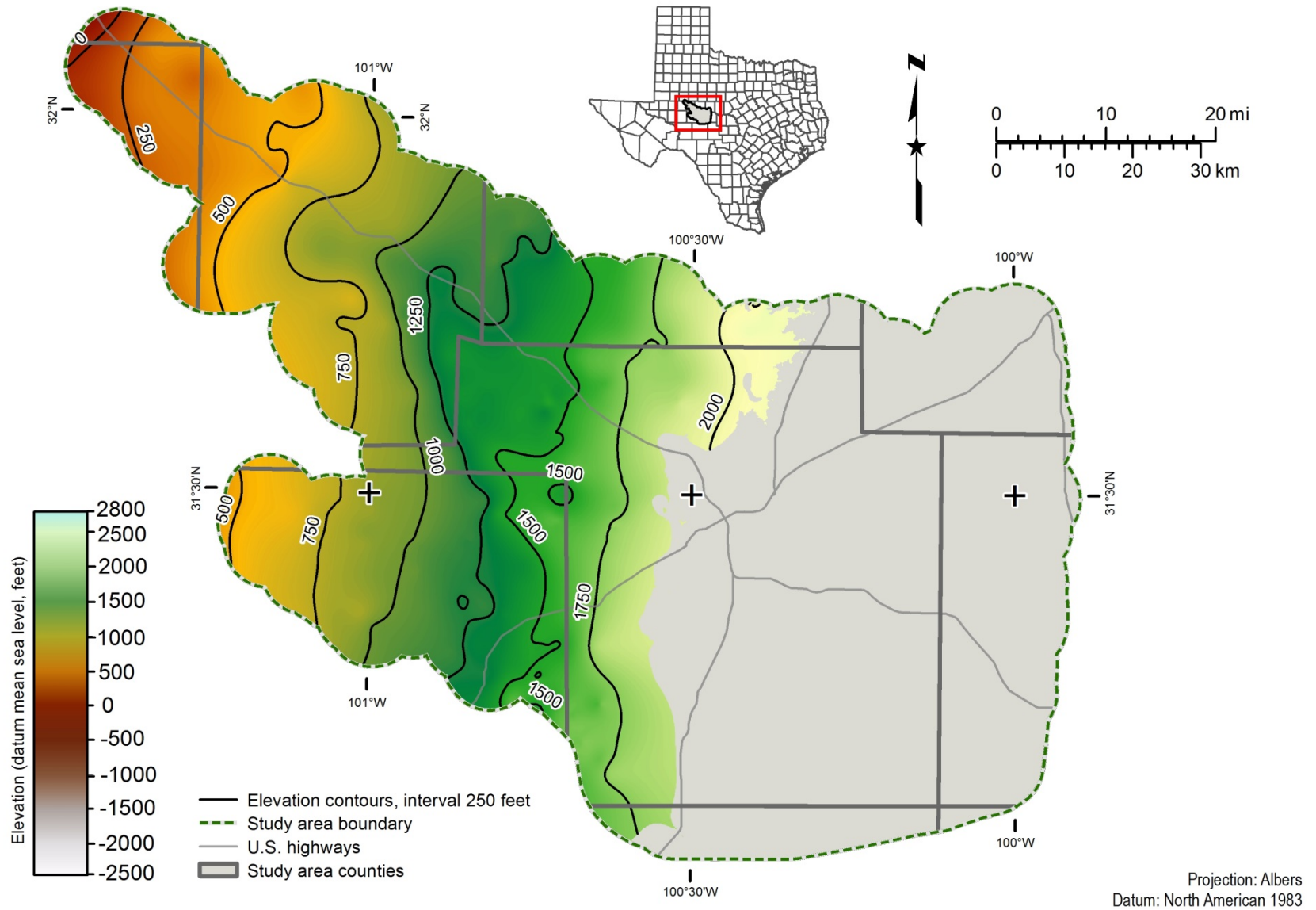


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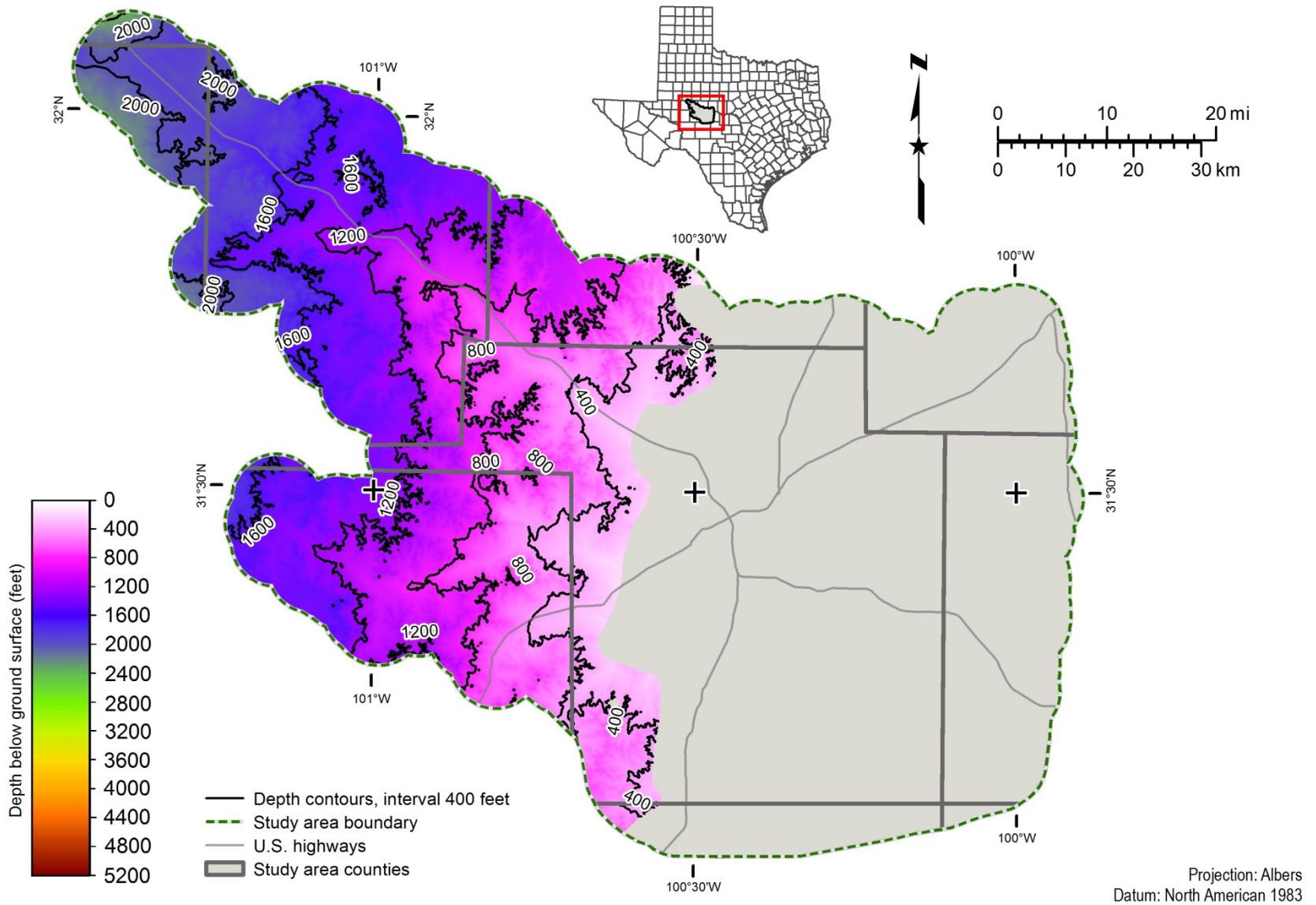


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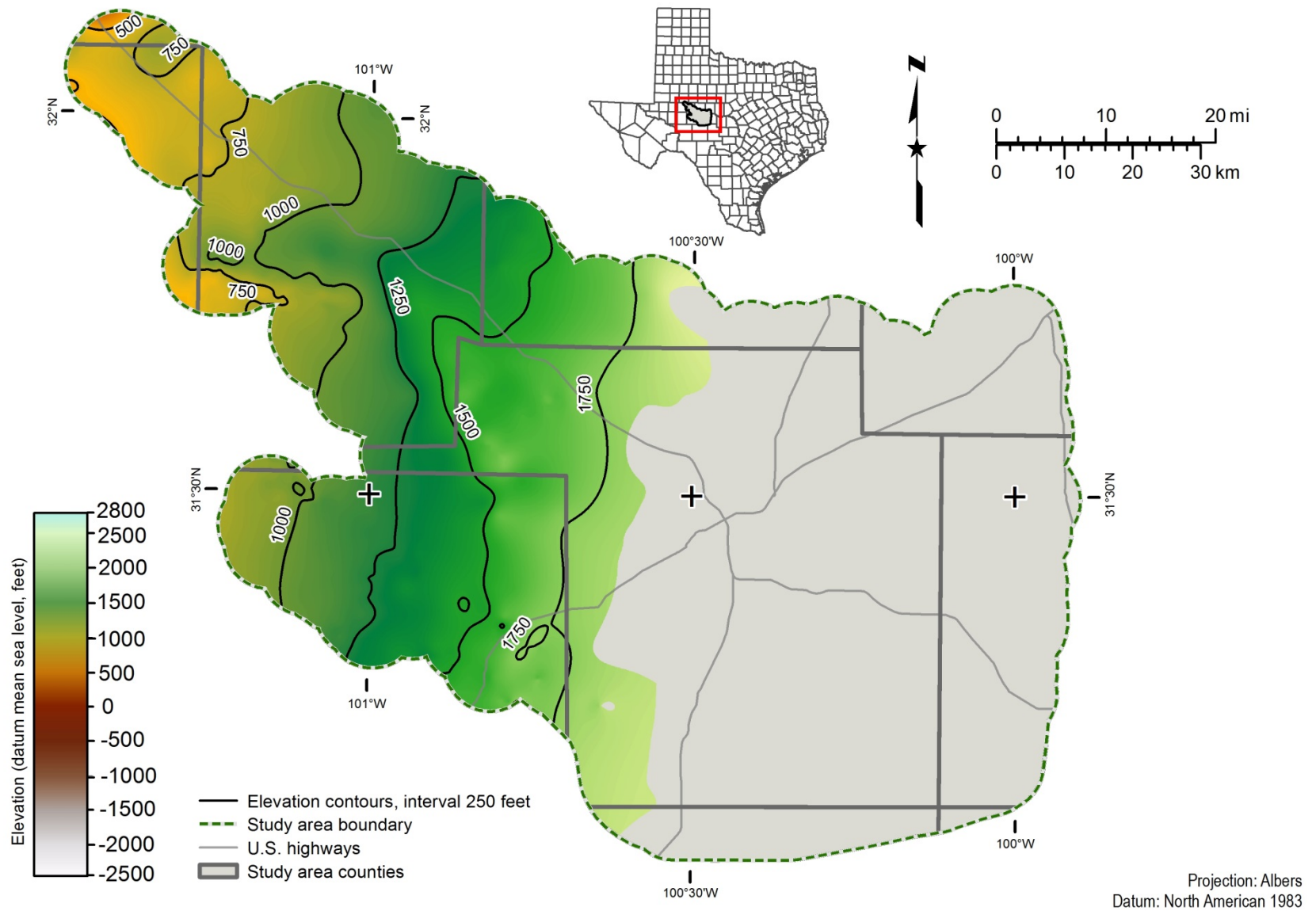


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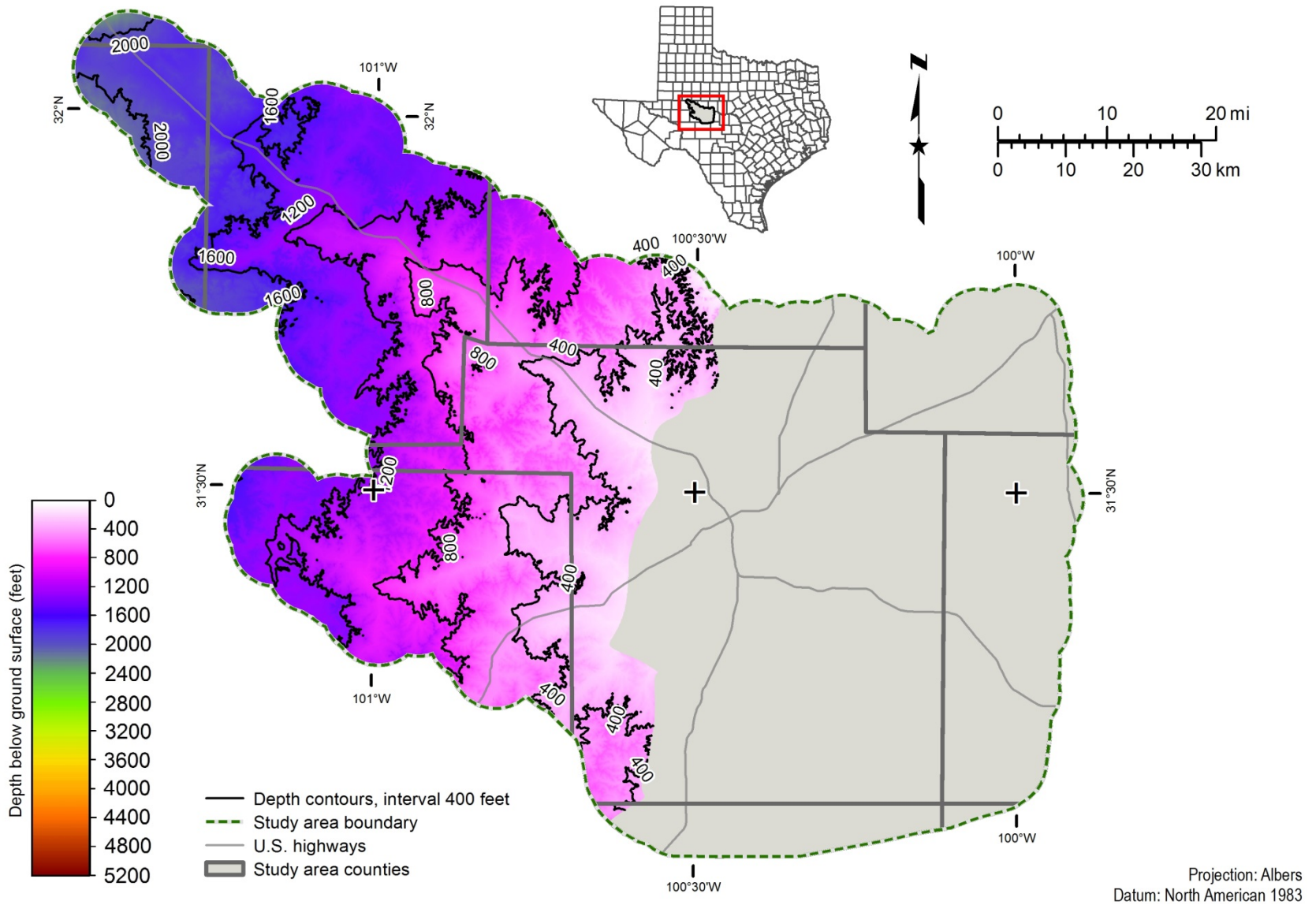


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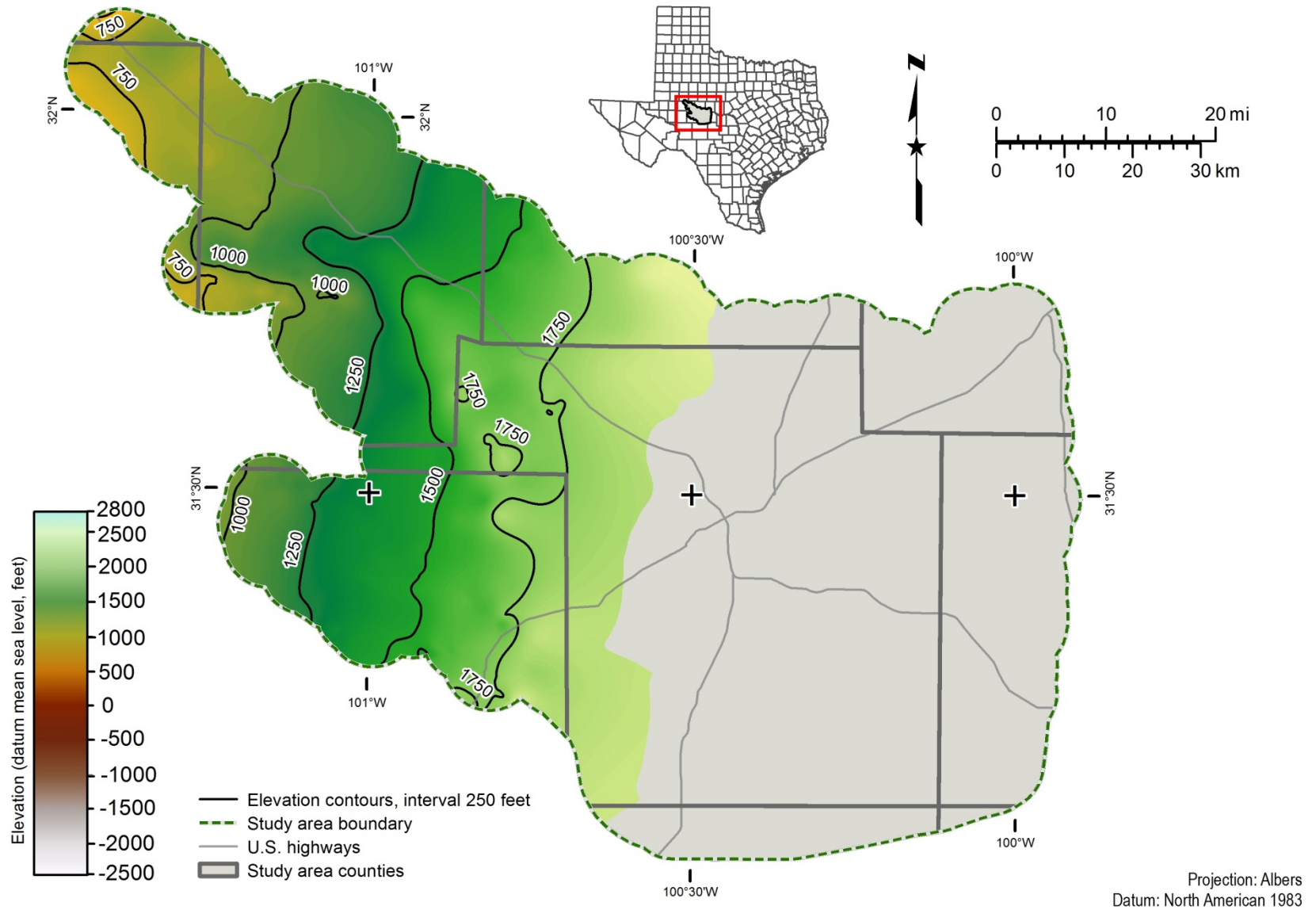


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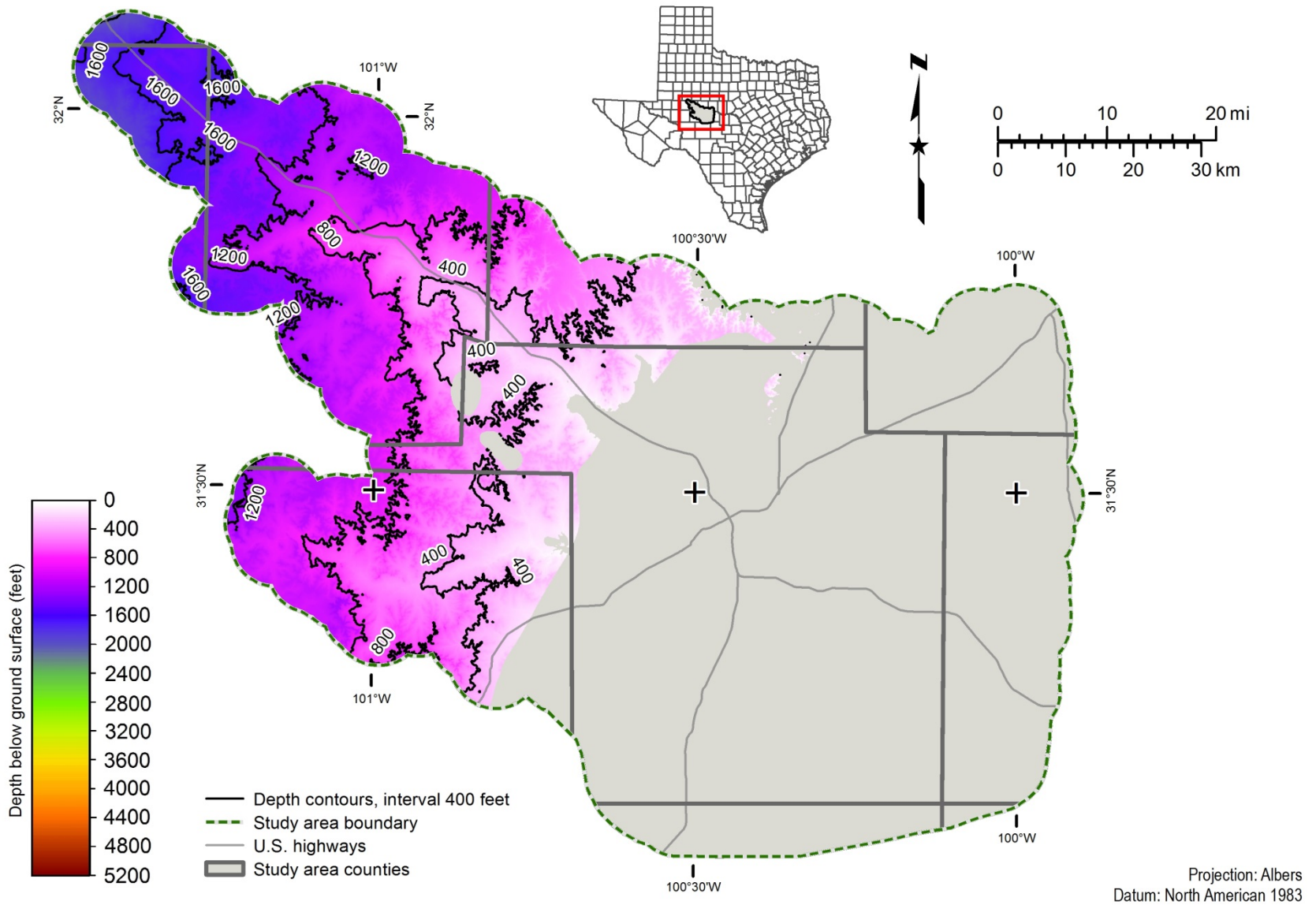


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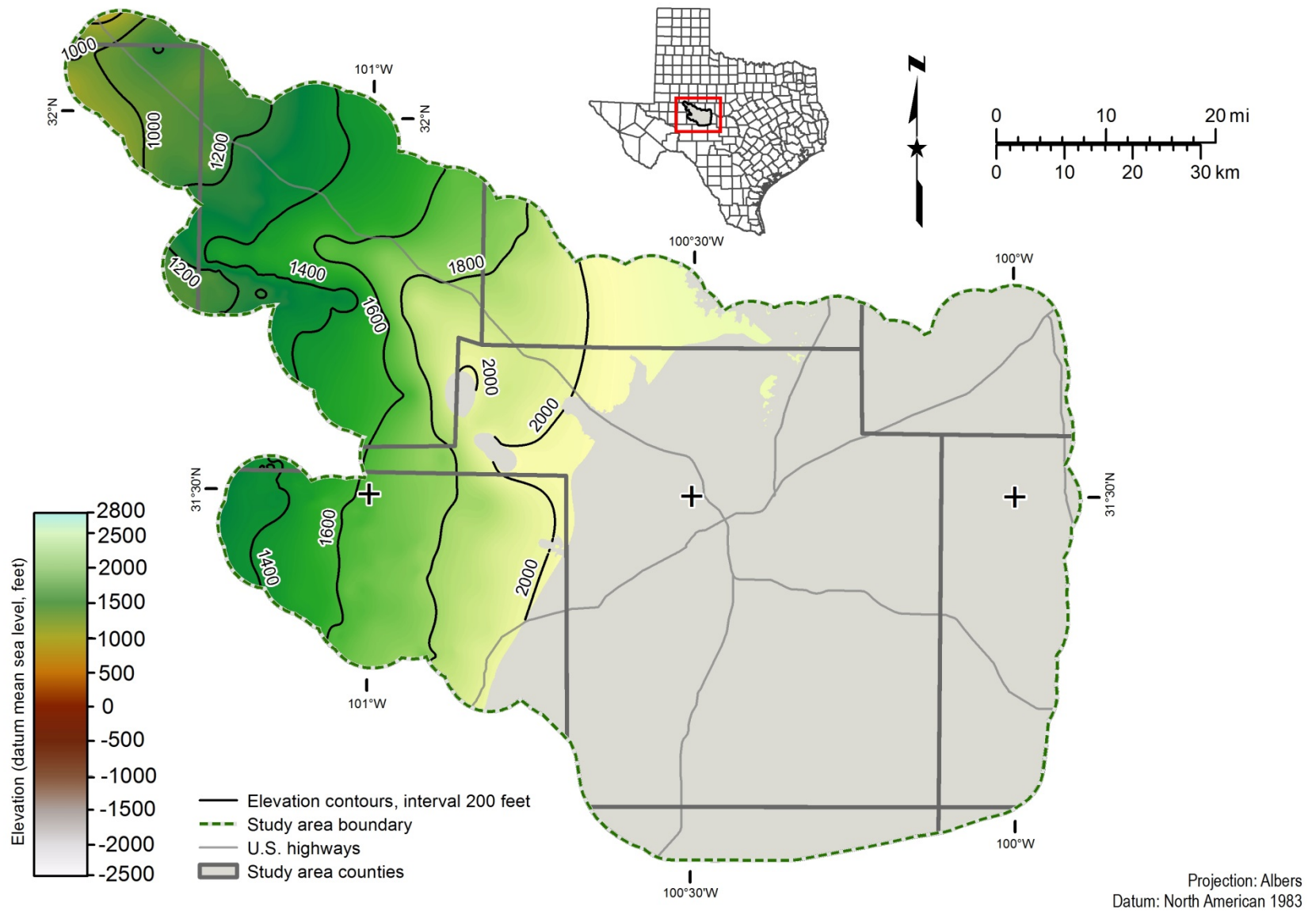


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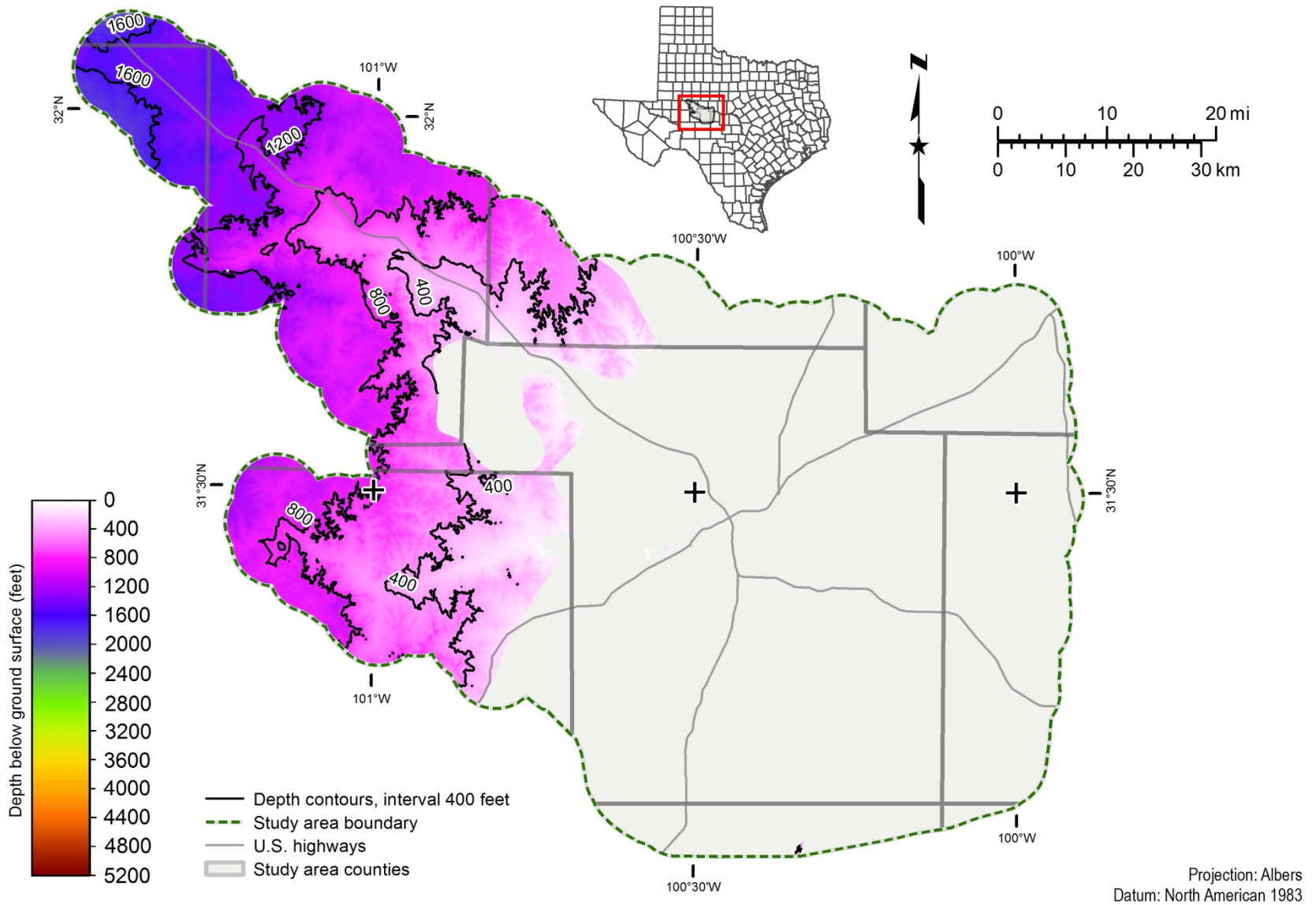


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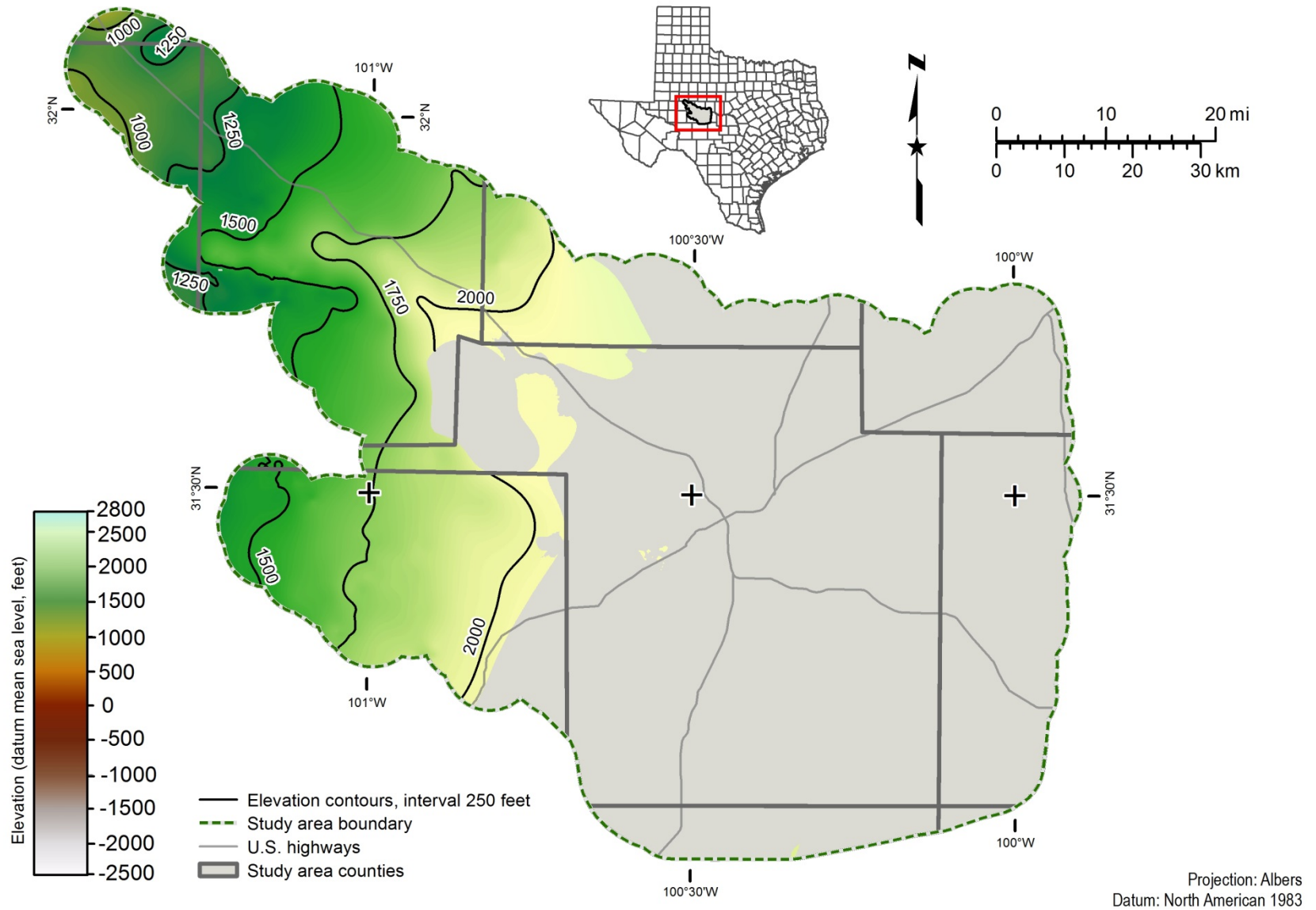


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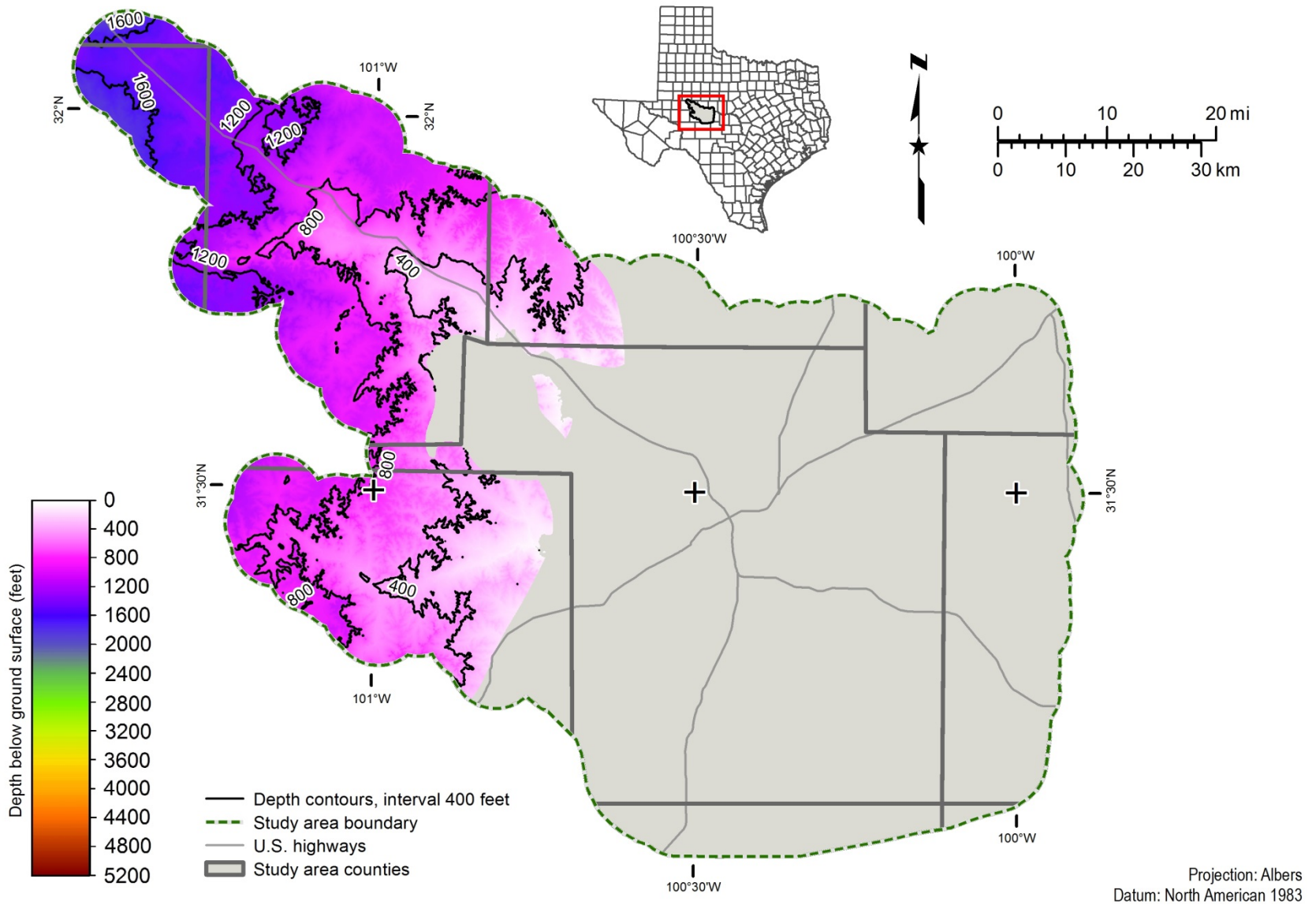


Figure 20.1-25. Tansill Formation top (depth below ground surface, feet) in the Lipan Aquifer study area. Gray area in map represents places where the top of the Tansill Formation does not occur.

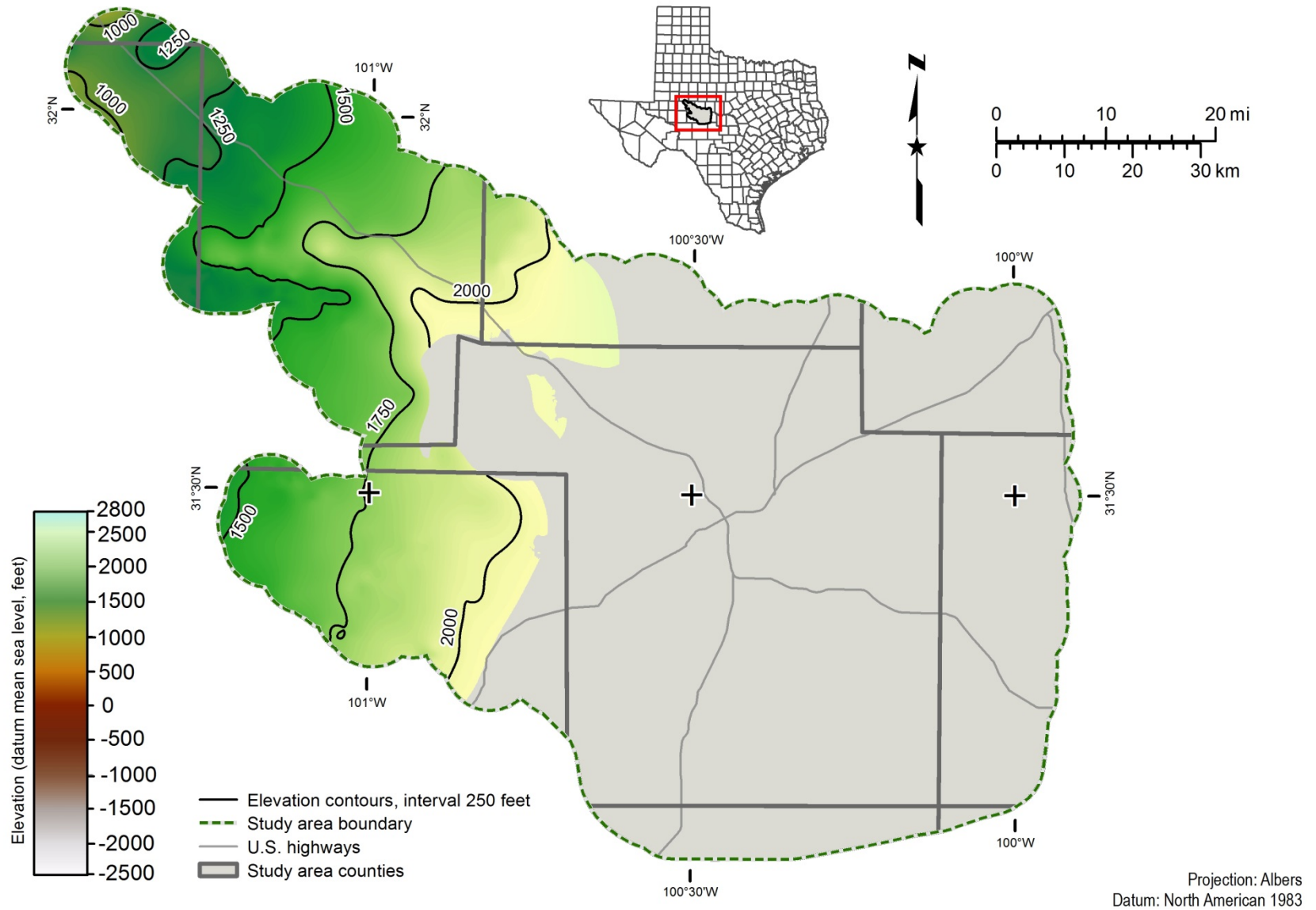


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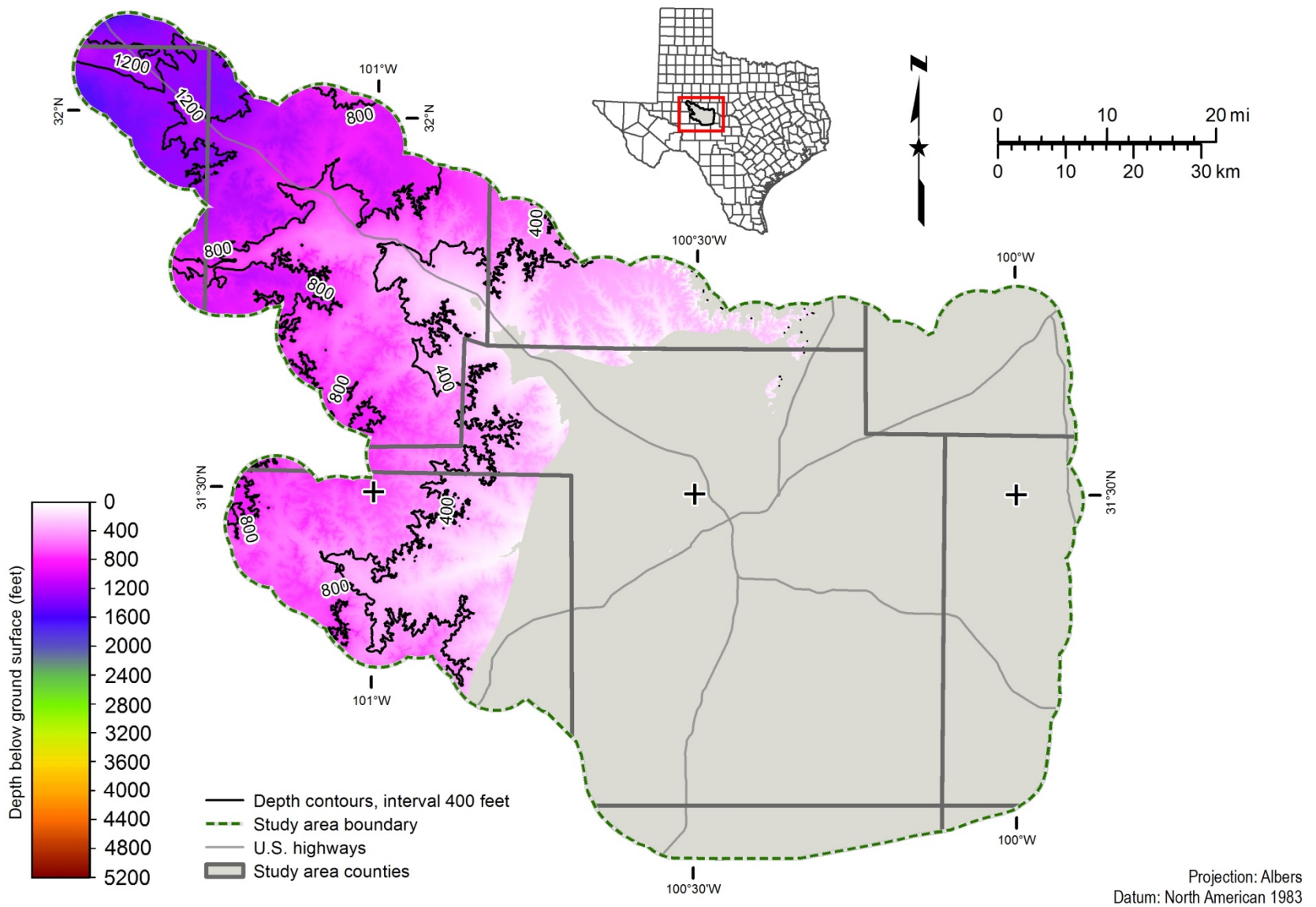


Figure 20.1-27. Rustler-Salado formations top (depth below ground surface, feet) in the Lipan Aquifer study area. Gray area in map represents places where the top of the Rustler-Salado formations does not occur.

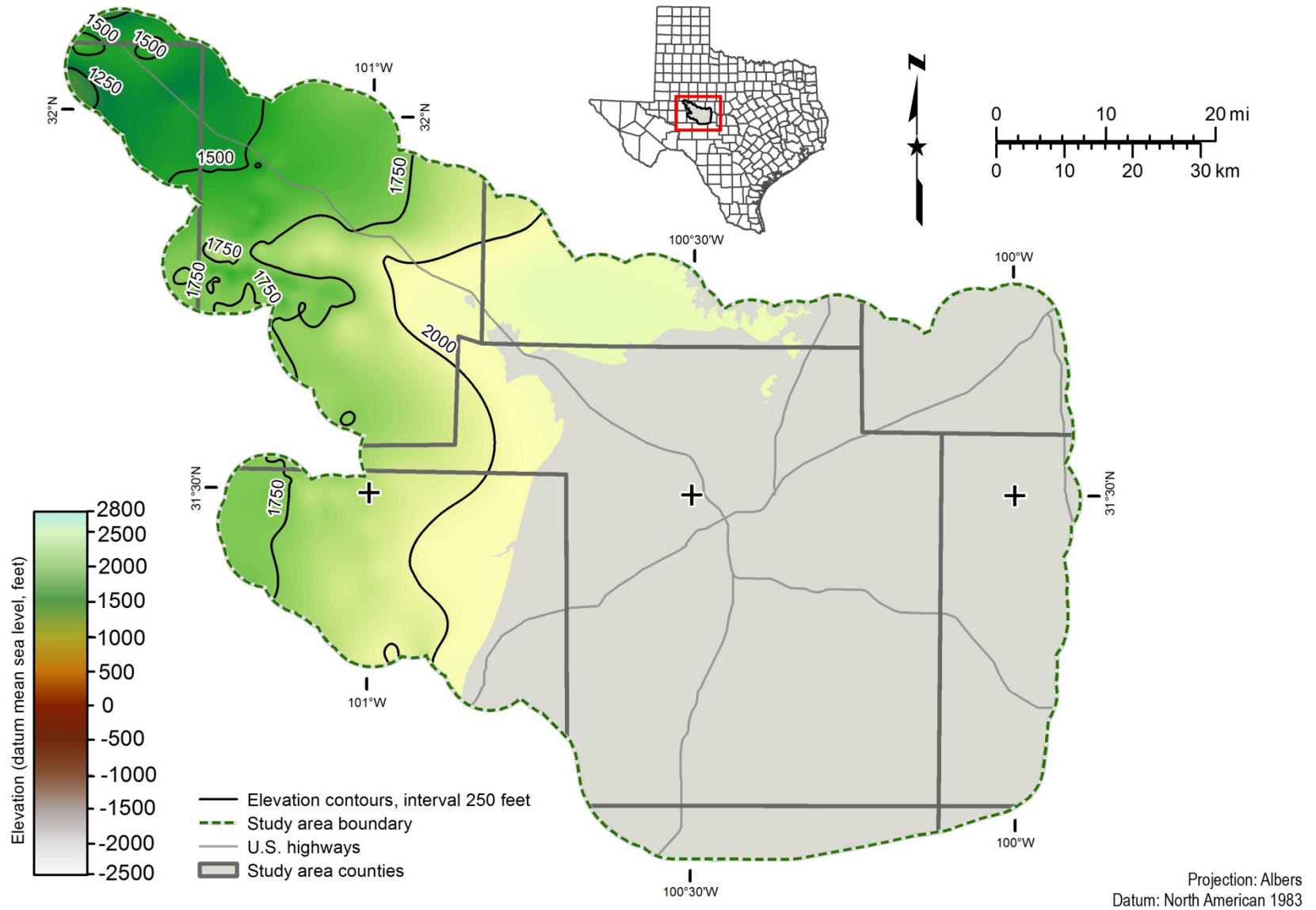


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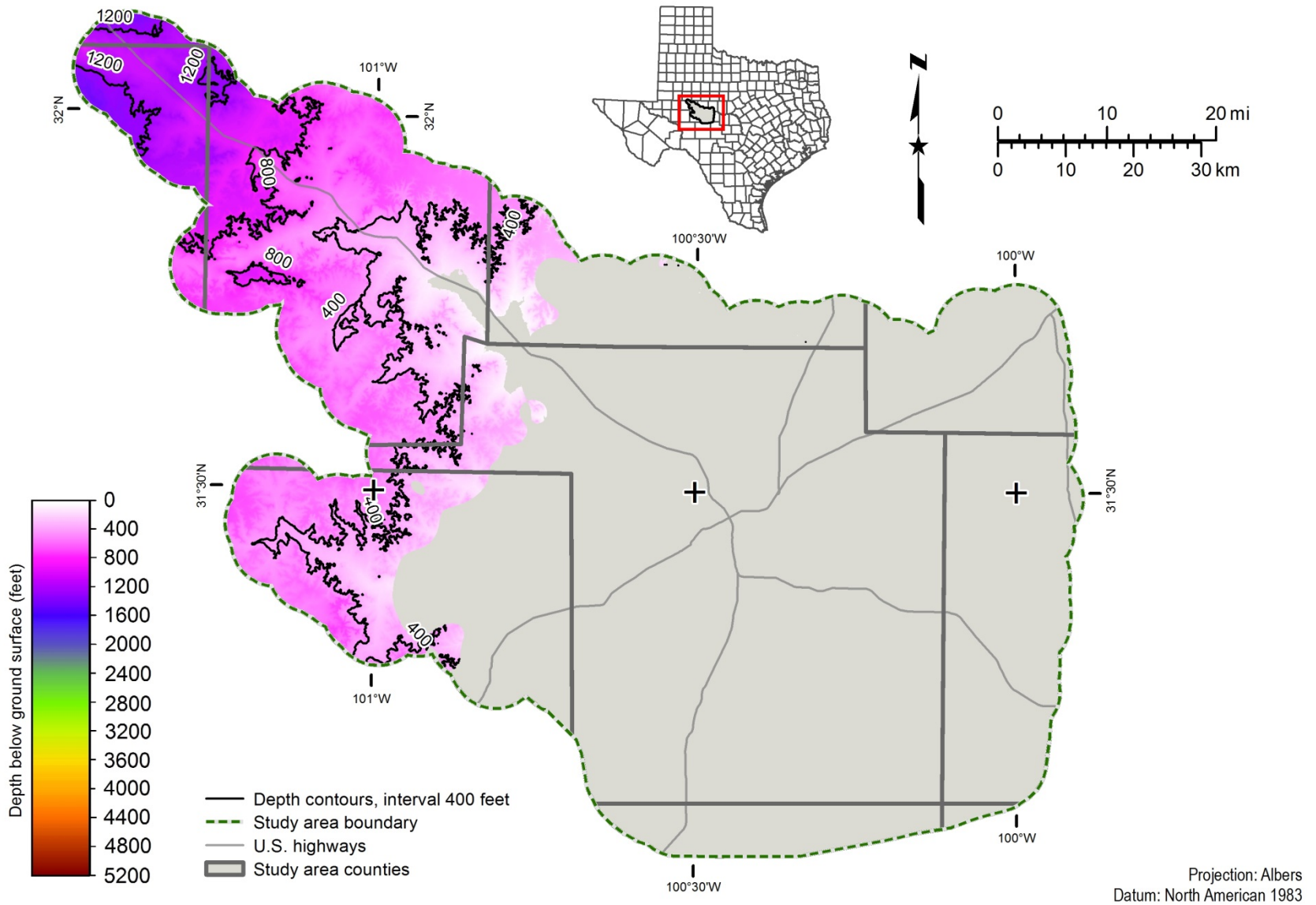


Figure 20.1-29. Dewey Lake Formation top (depth below ground surface, feet) in the Lipan Aquifer study area. Gray area in map represents places where the top of the Dewey Lake Formation does not occur.

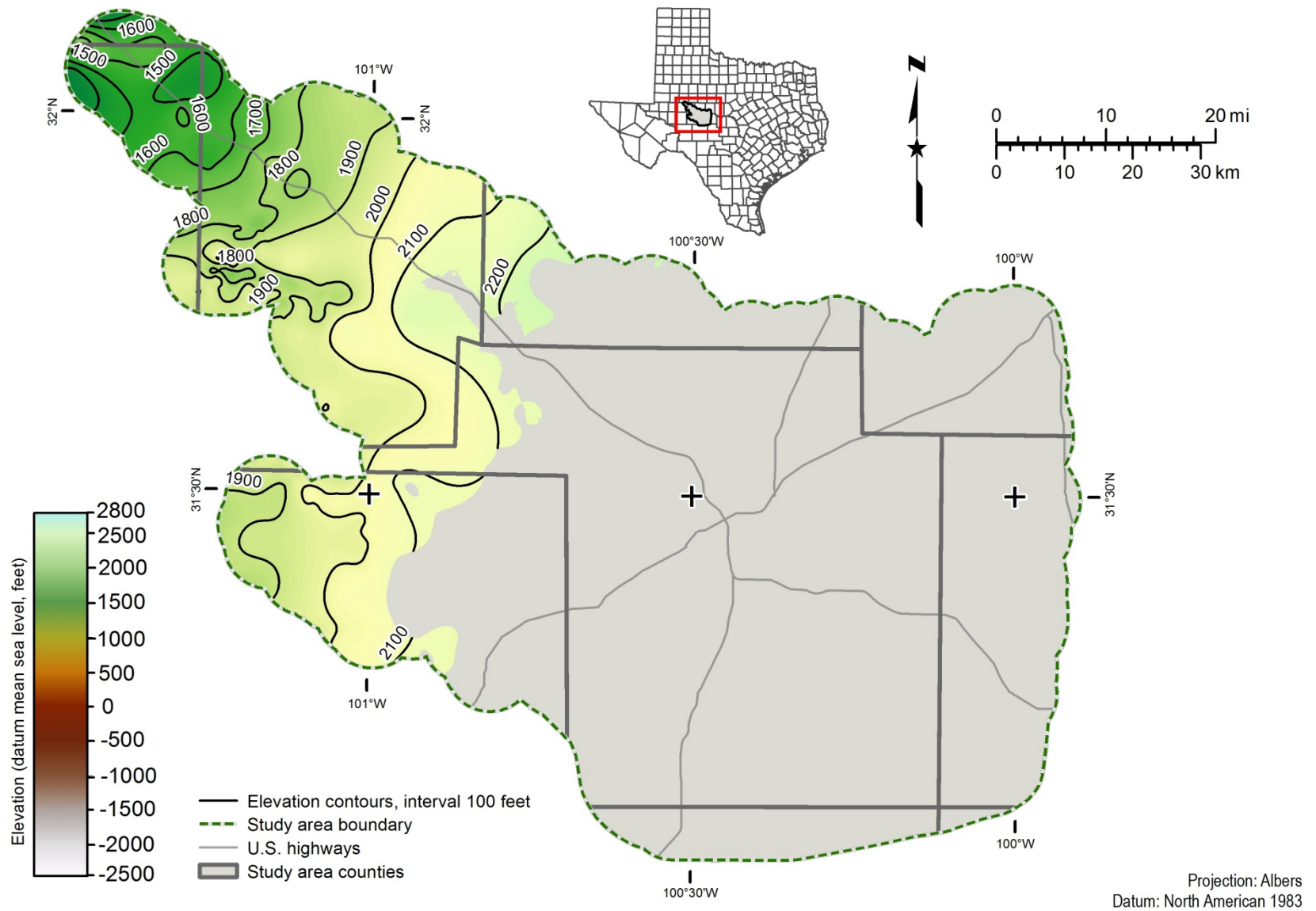


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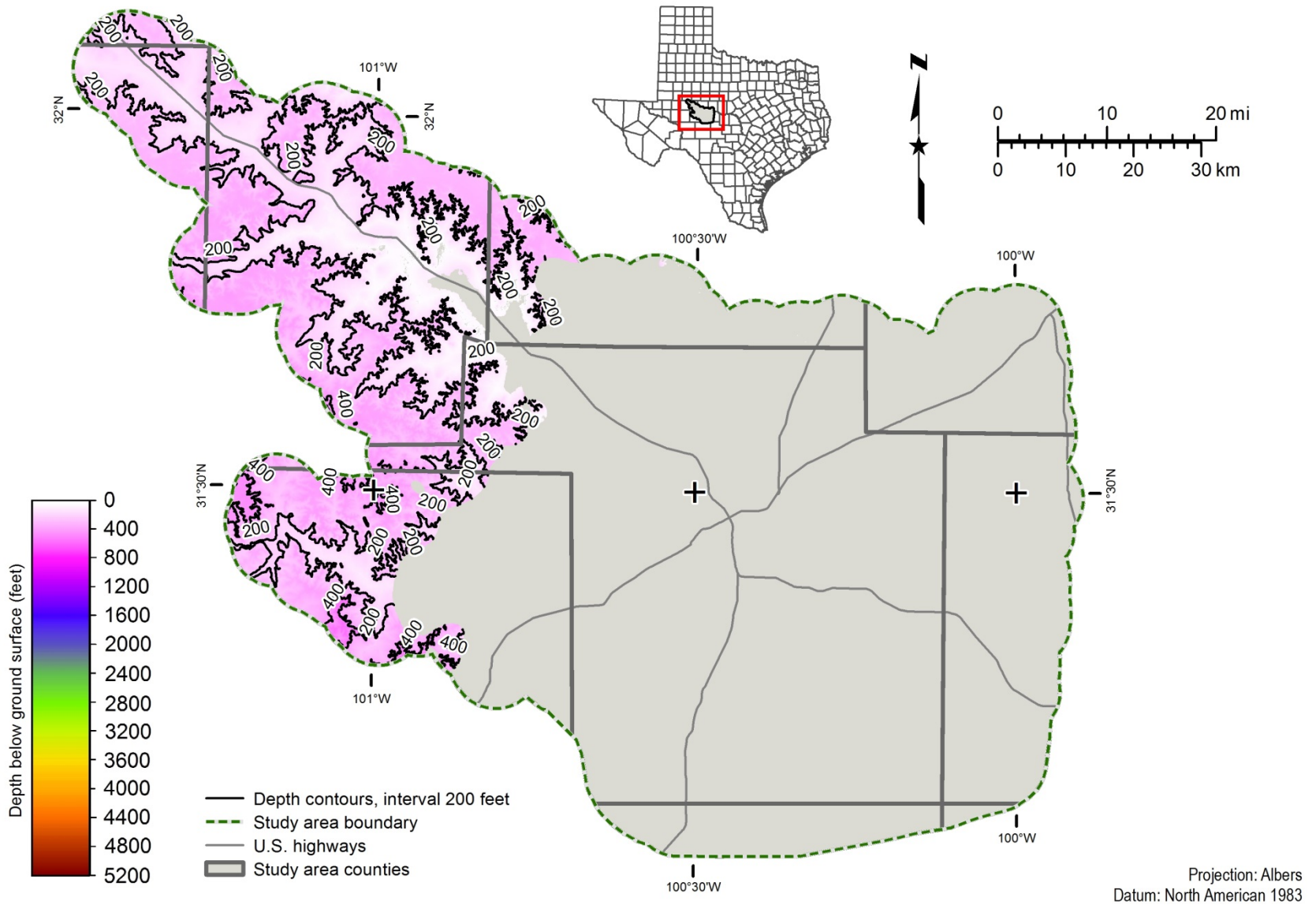


Figure 20.1-31. Dockum Group top (depth below ground surface, feet) in the Lipan Aquifer study area. Gray area in map represents places where the top of the Dockum Group does not occur. Note that the eastern subcrop extent is different than the official TWDB boundary.

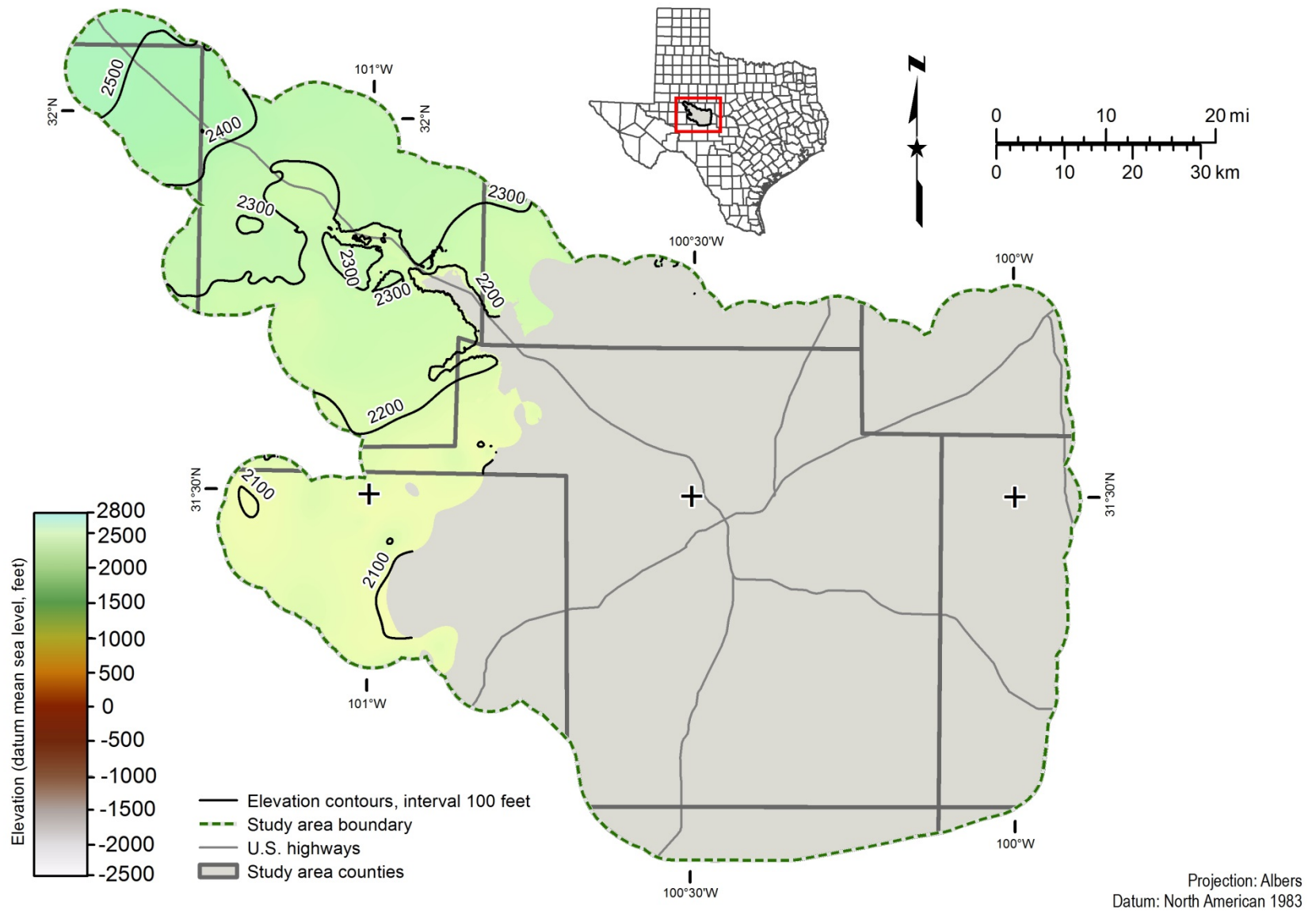


Figure 20.1-32. Dockum Group top (elevation datum mean sea level, feet) in the Lipan Aquifer study area. Gray area in map represents places where the top of the Dockum Group does not occur. Note that the eastern subcrop extent is different than the official TWDB boundary.

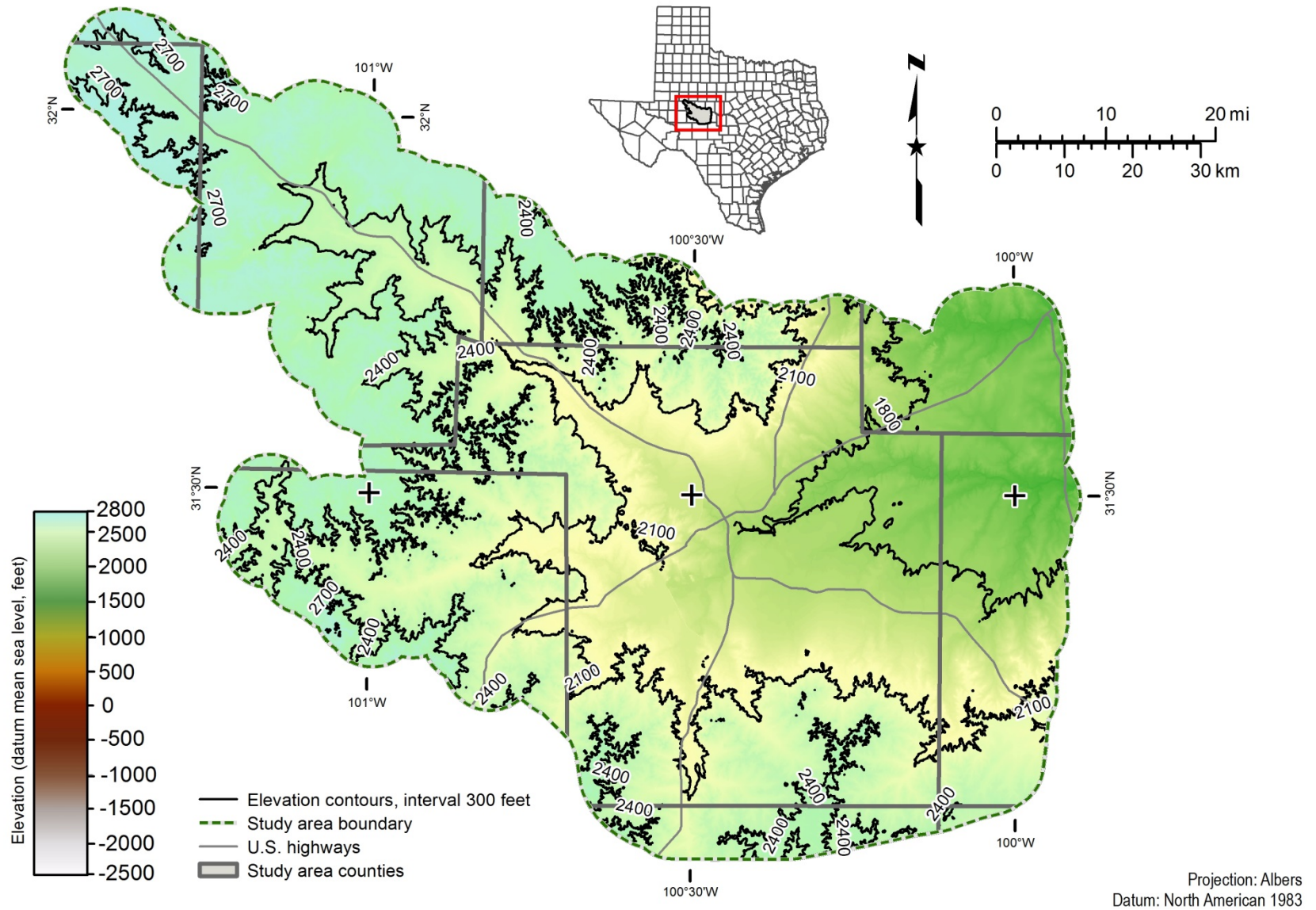


Figure 20.1-33. Ground surface (elevation datum mean sea level, feet) in the Lipan Aquifer study area.

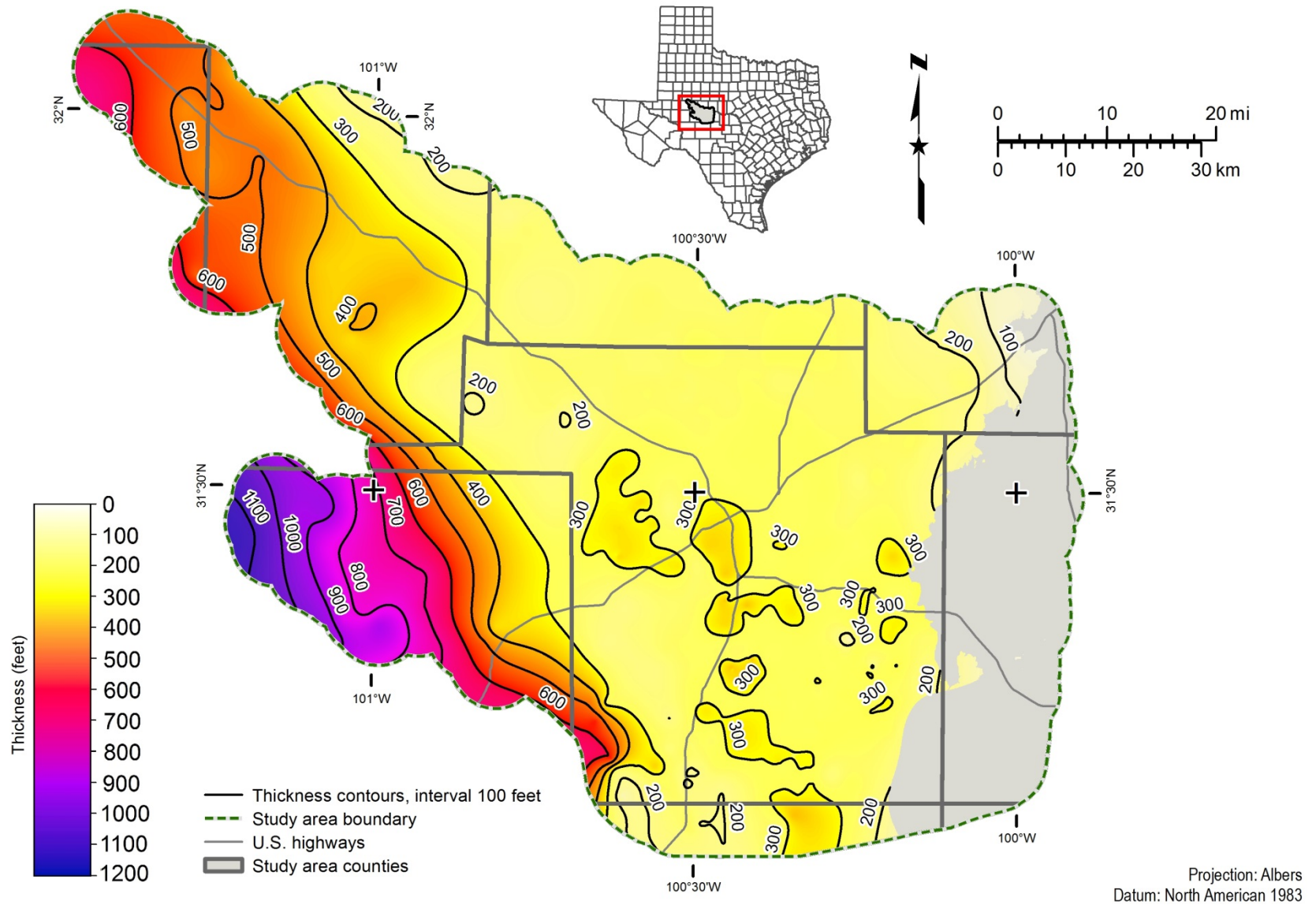


Figure 20.1-34. Isochore map of the Arroyo Formation in the Lipan Aquifer study area (thickness in feet). Gray area in map represents places where the top of the Arroyo Formation does not occur.

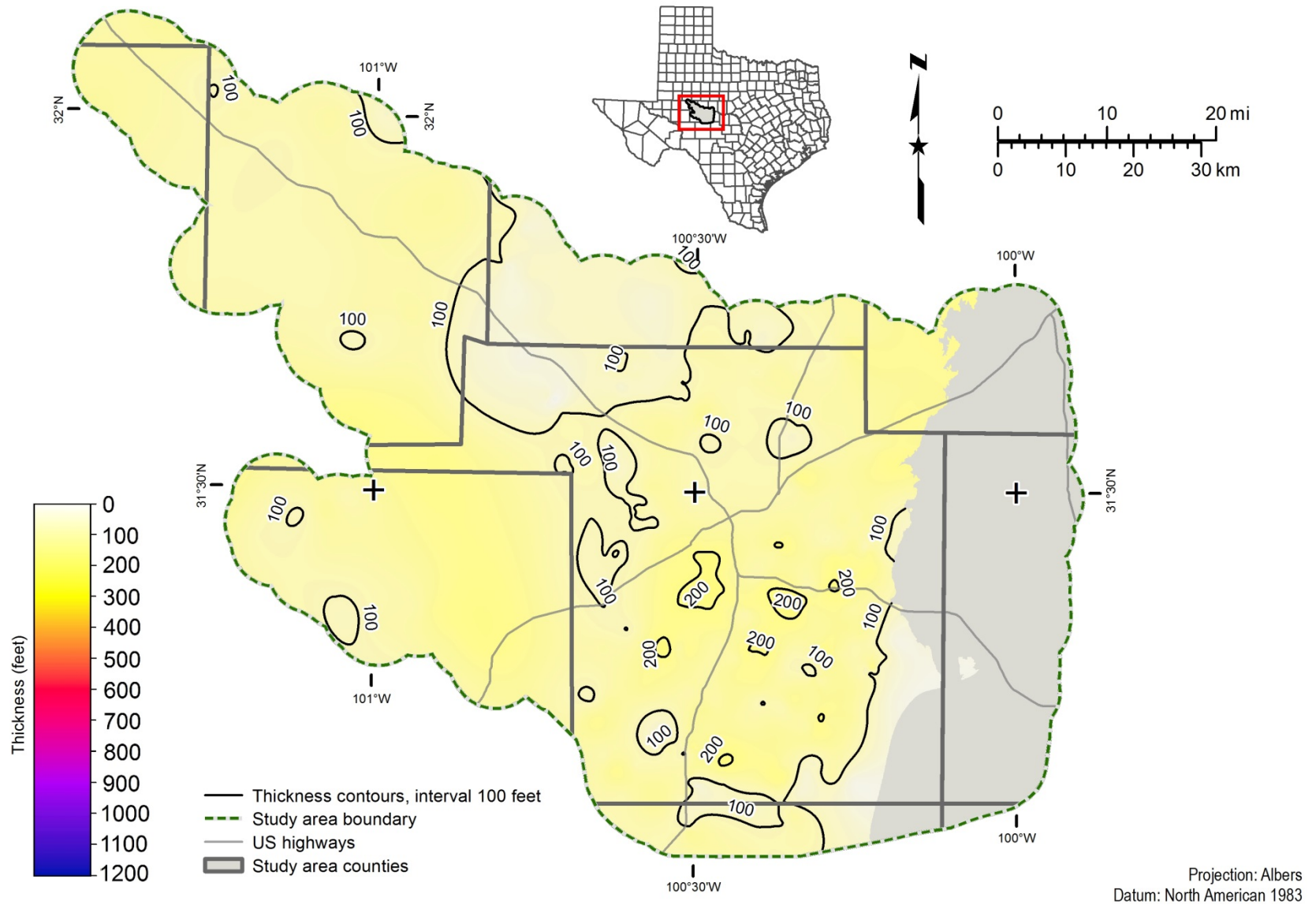


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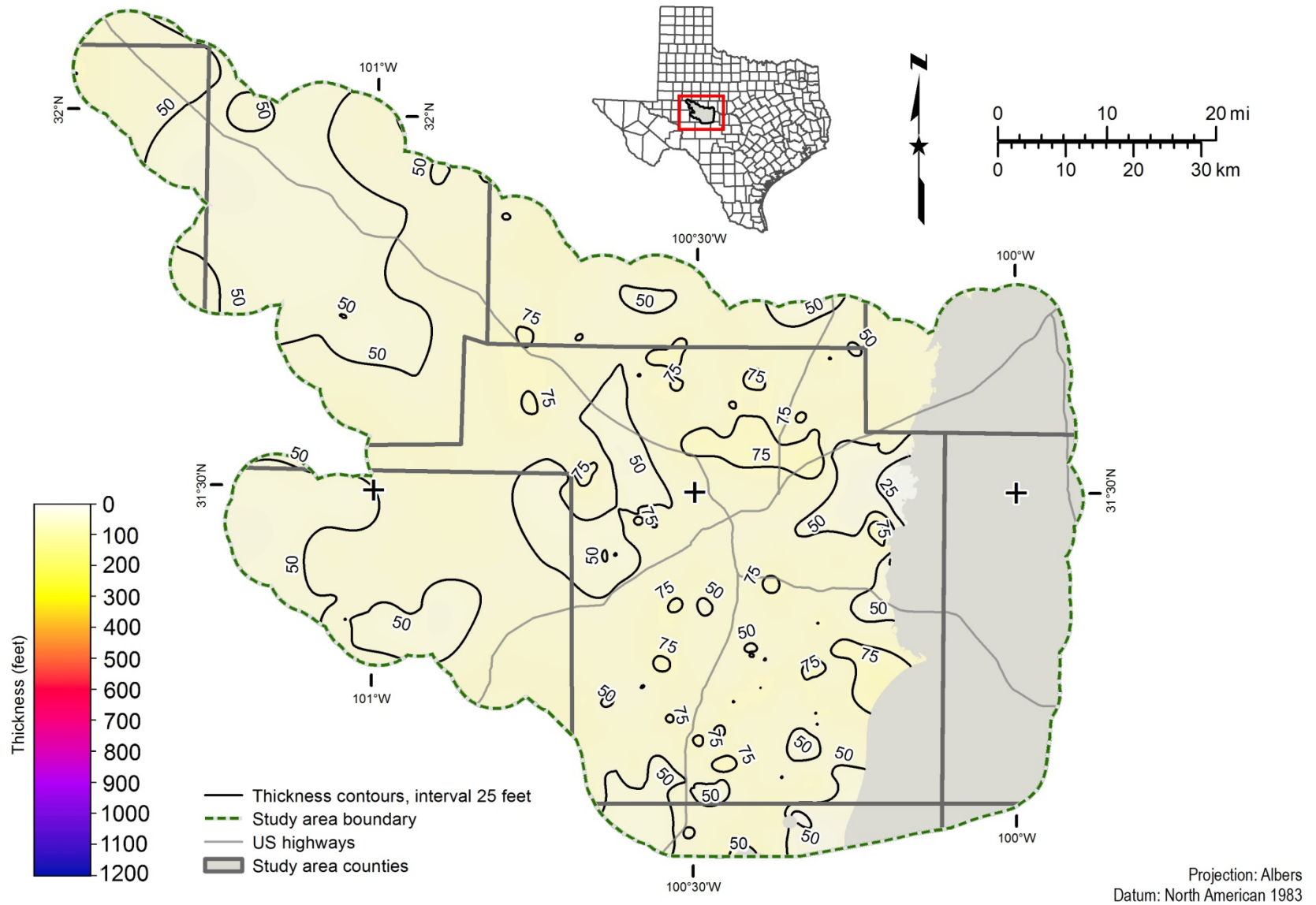


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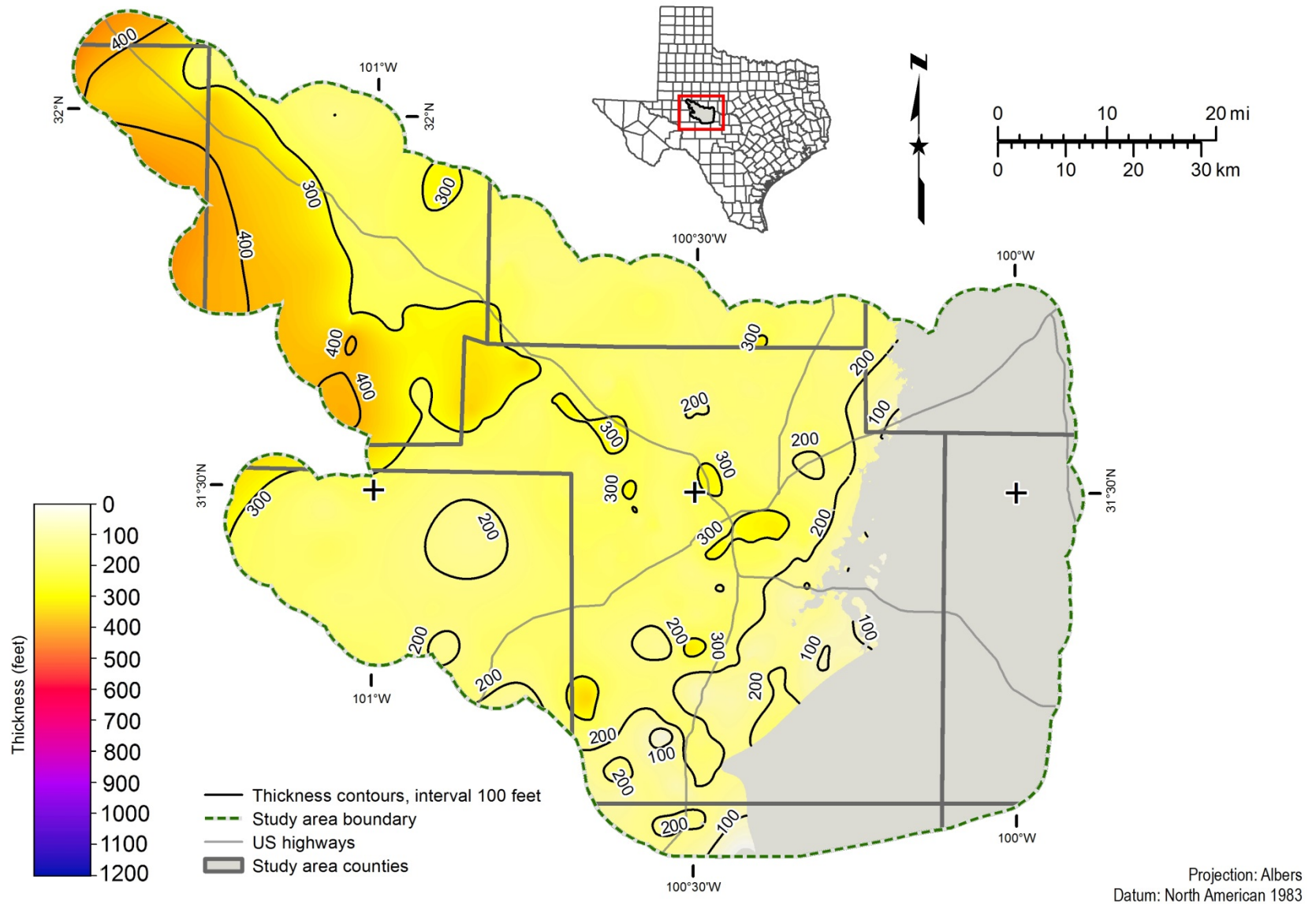


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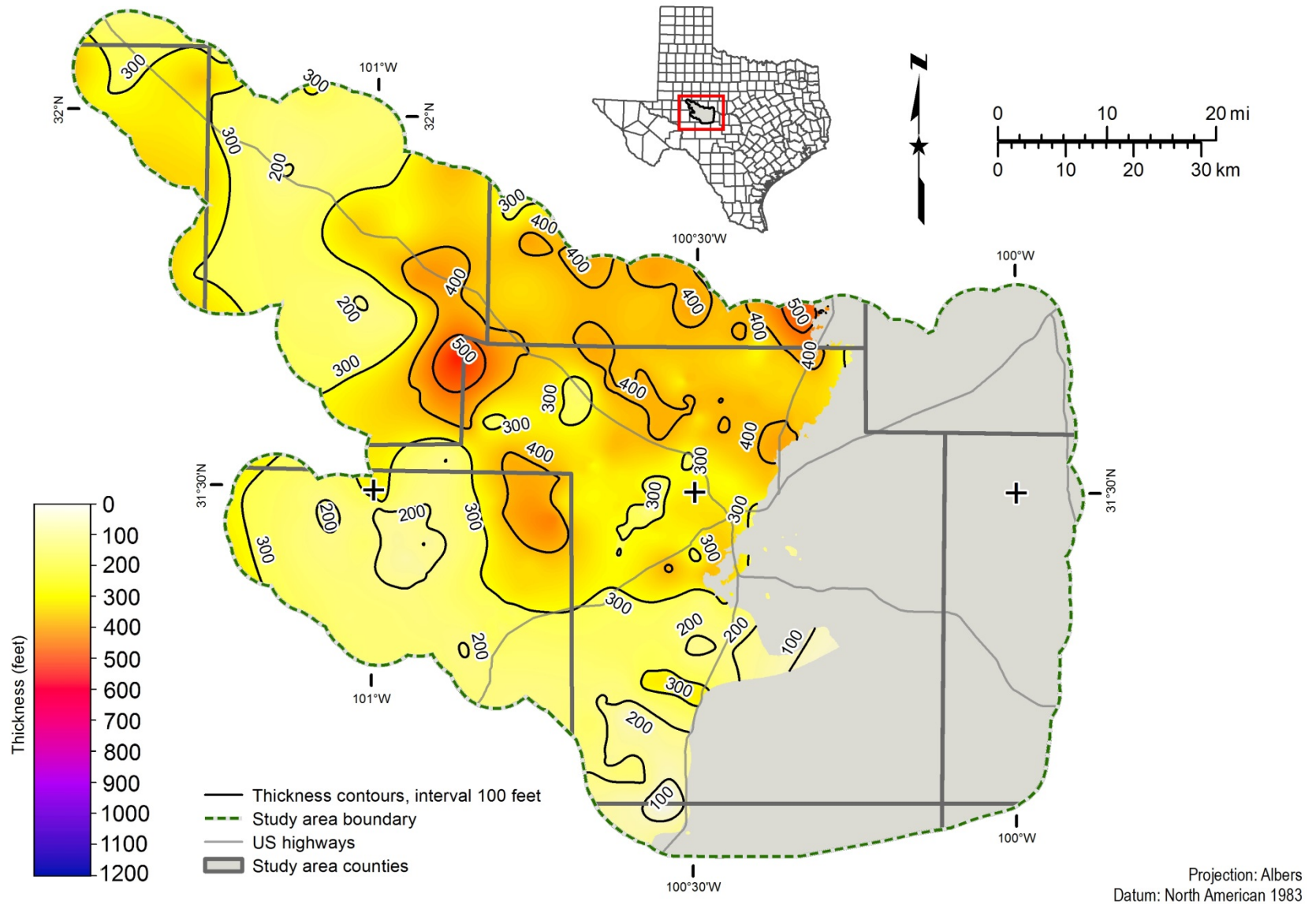


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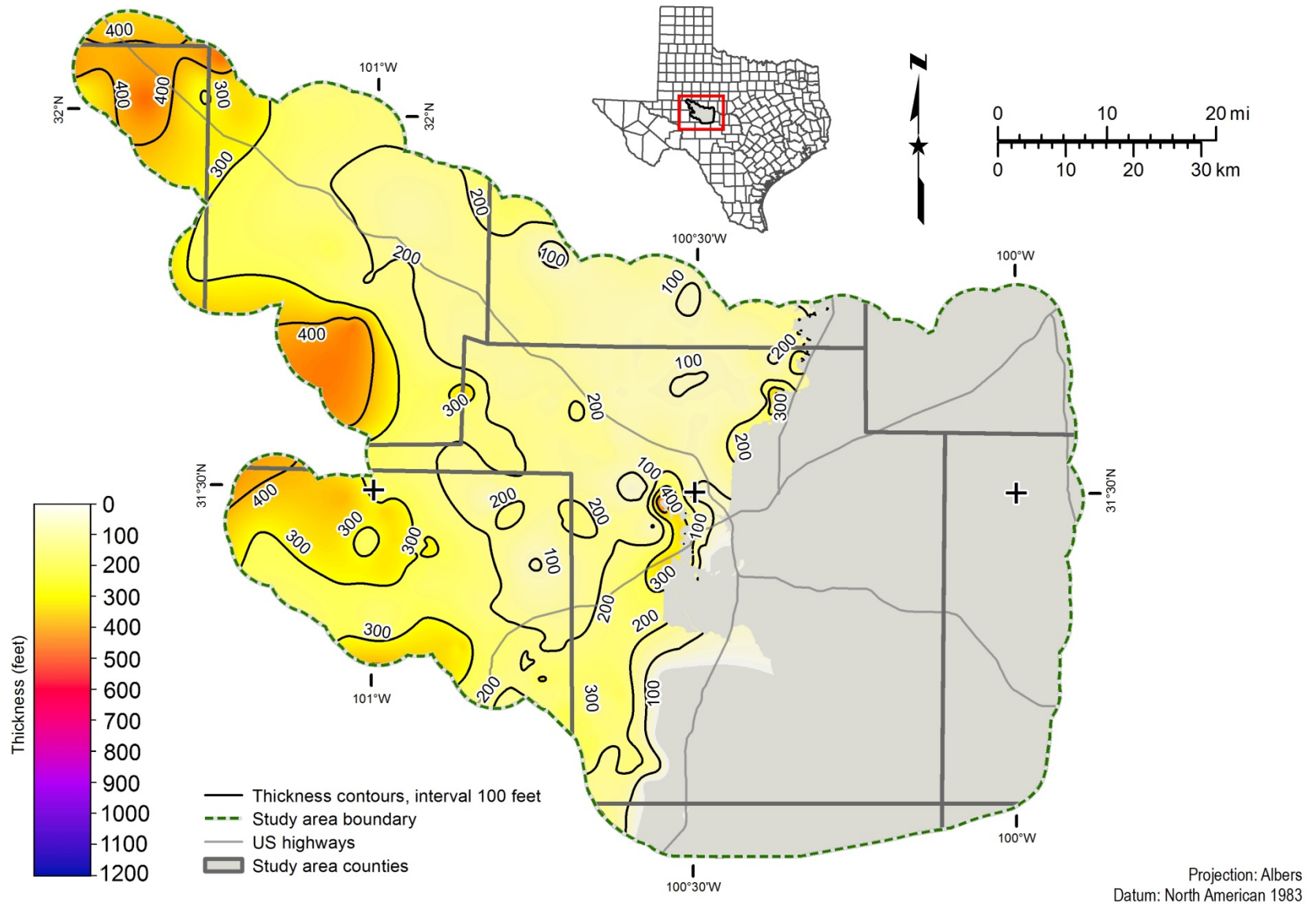


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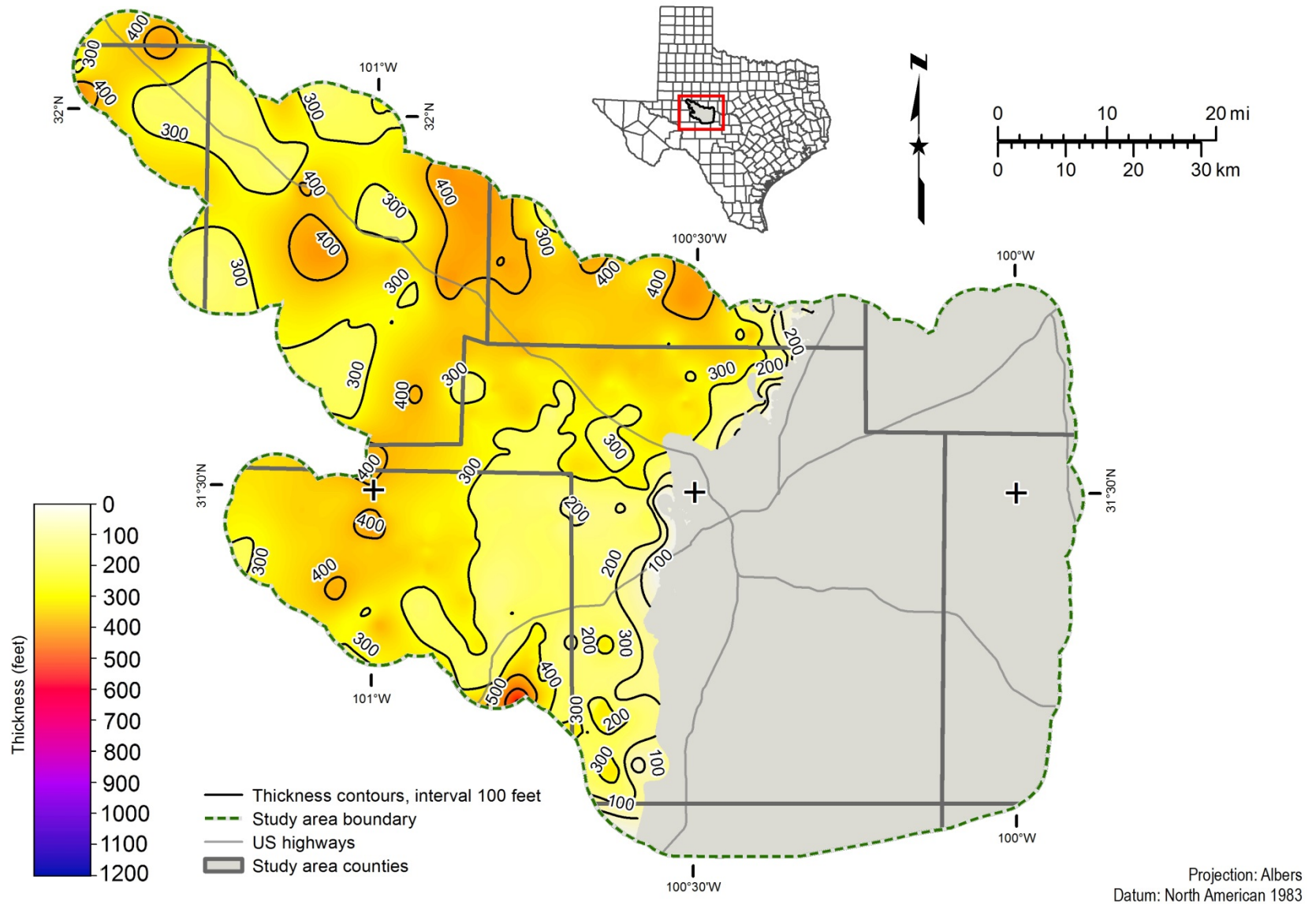


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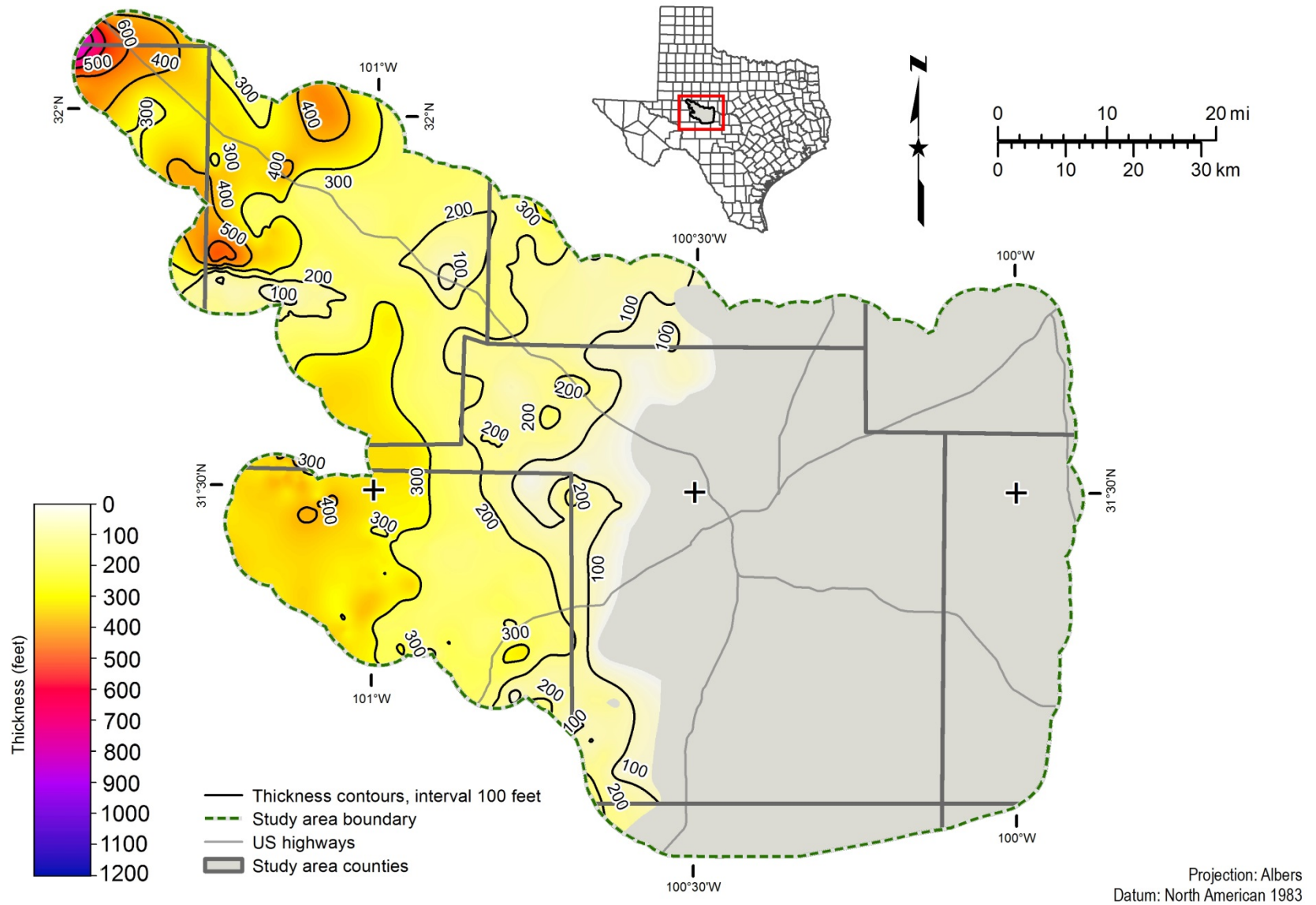


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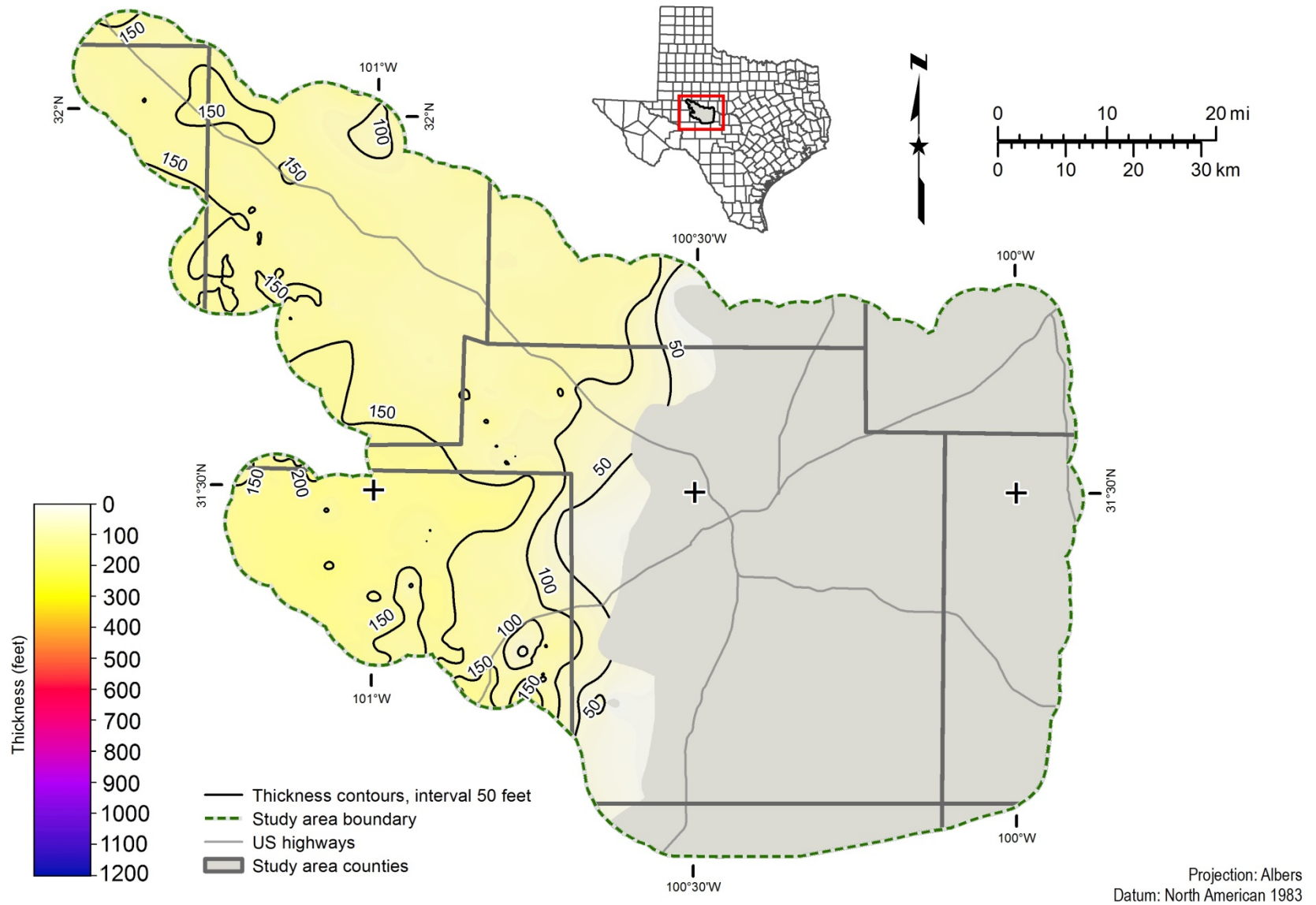


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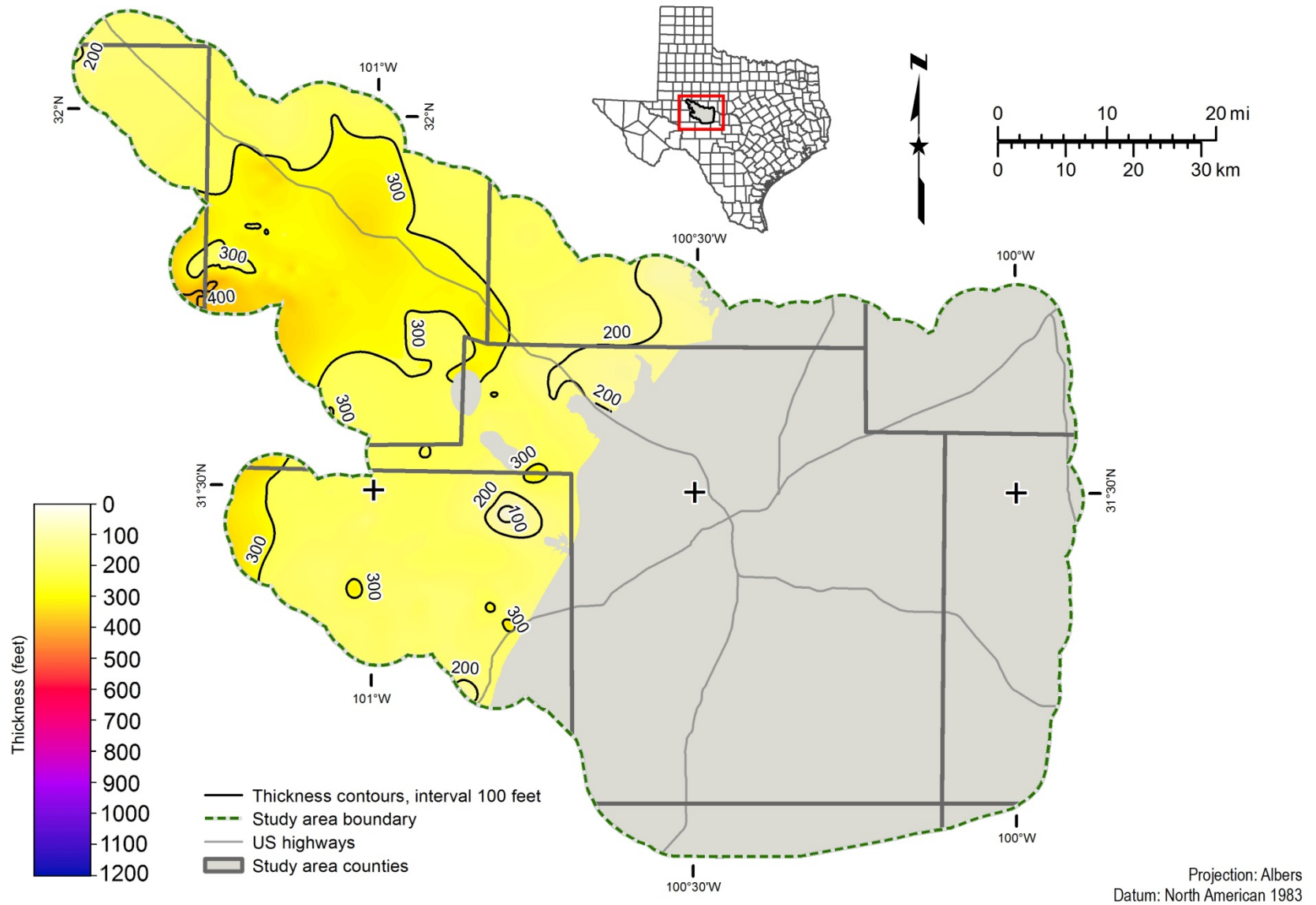


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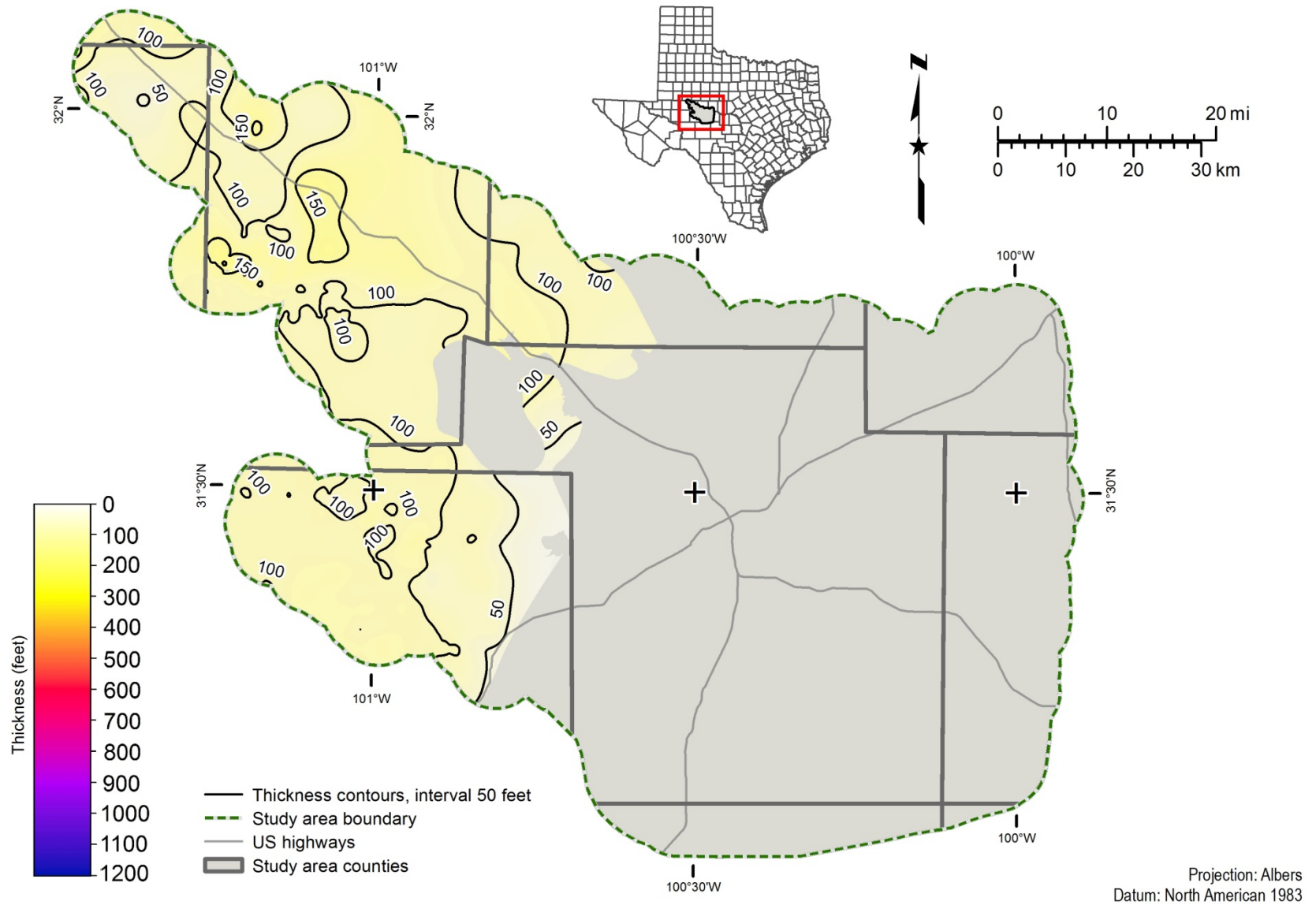


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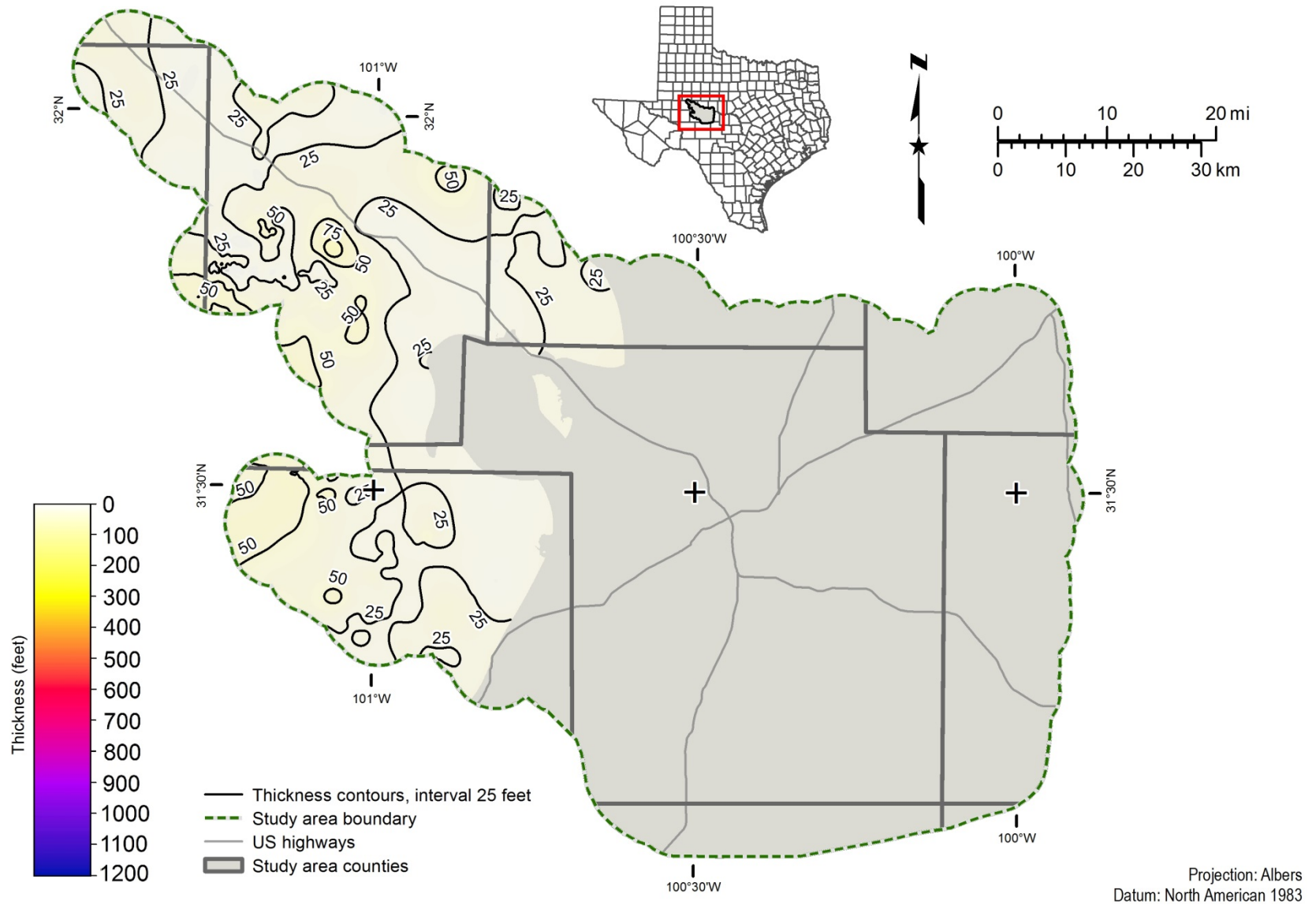


Figure 20.1-45. Isochore map of the Tansill Formation in the Lipan Aquifer study area (thickness in feet). Gray area in map represents places where the top of the Tansill Formation does not occur.

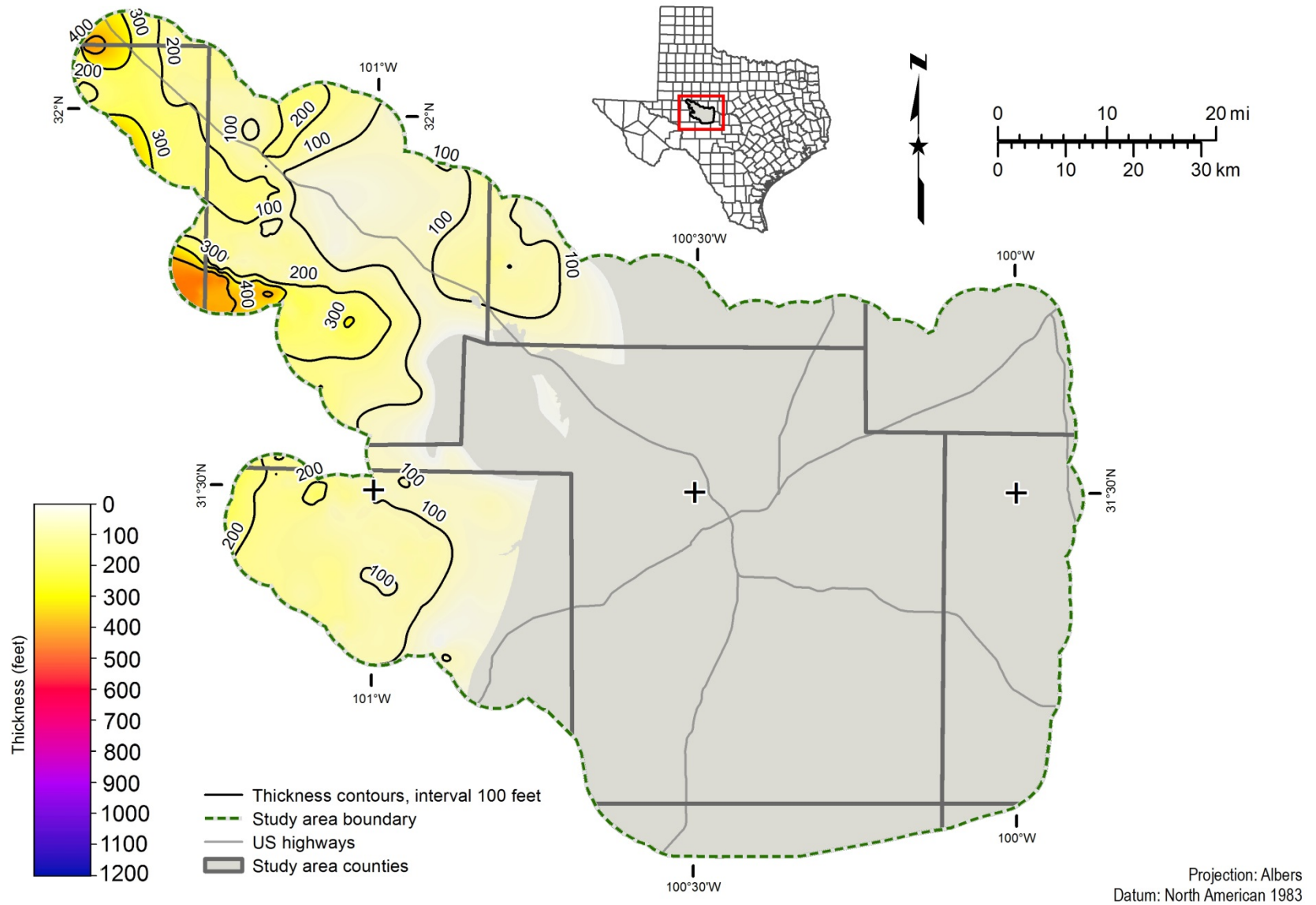


Figure 20.1-46. Isochore map of the Rustler-Salado formations in the Lipan Aquifer study area (thickness in feet). Gray area in map represents places where the top of the Rustler-Salado formations does not occur.

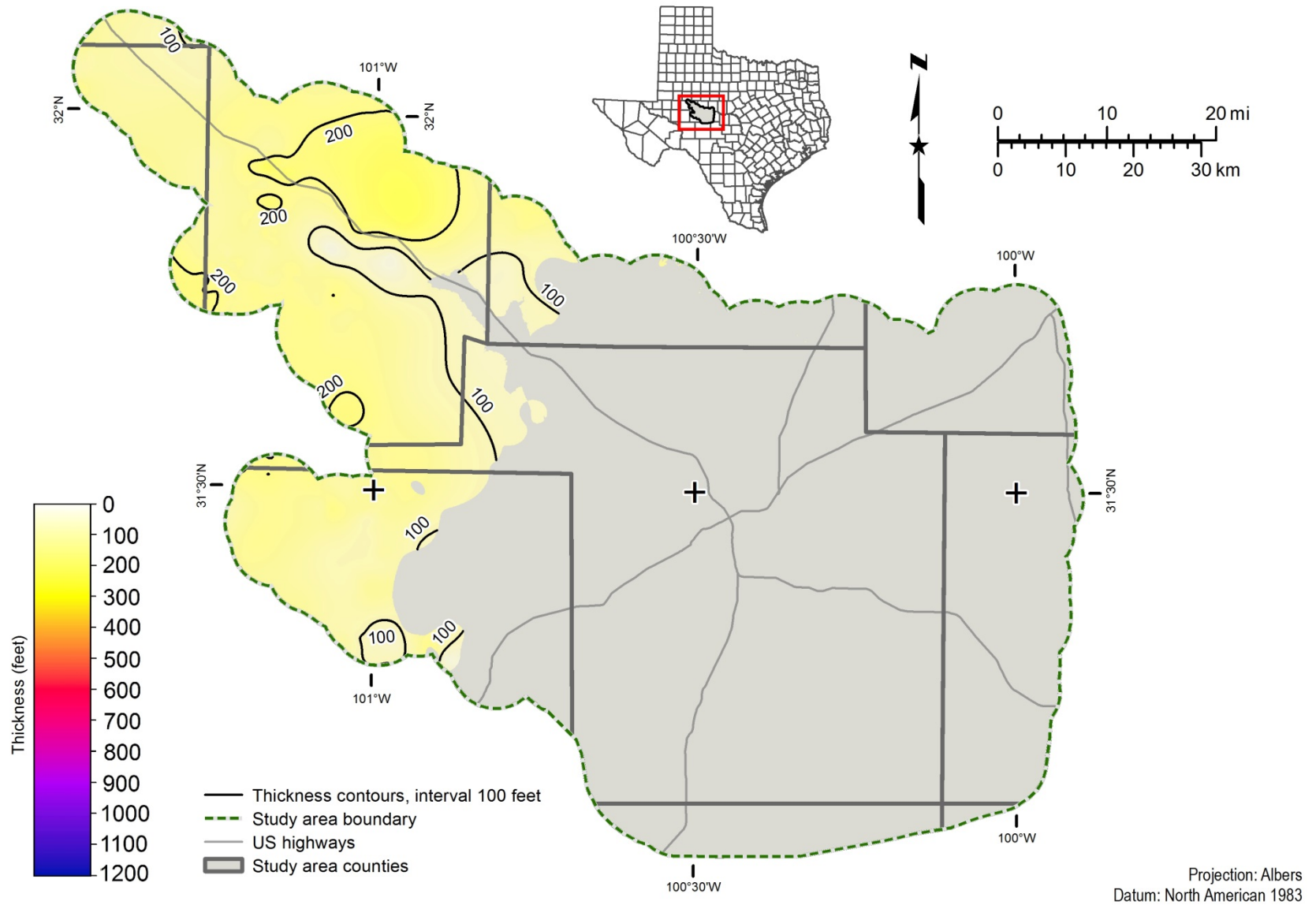


Figure 20.1-47. Isochore map of the Dewey Lake Formation in the Lipan Aquifer study area (thickness in feet). Gray area in map represents places where the top of the Dewey Lake Formation does not occur.

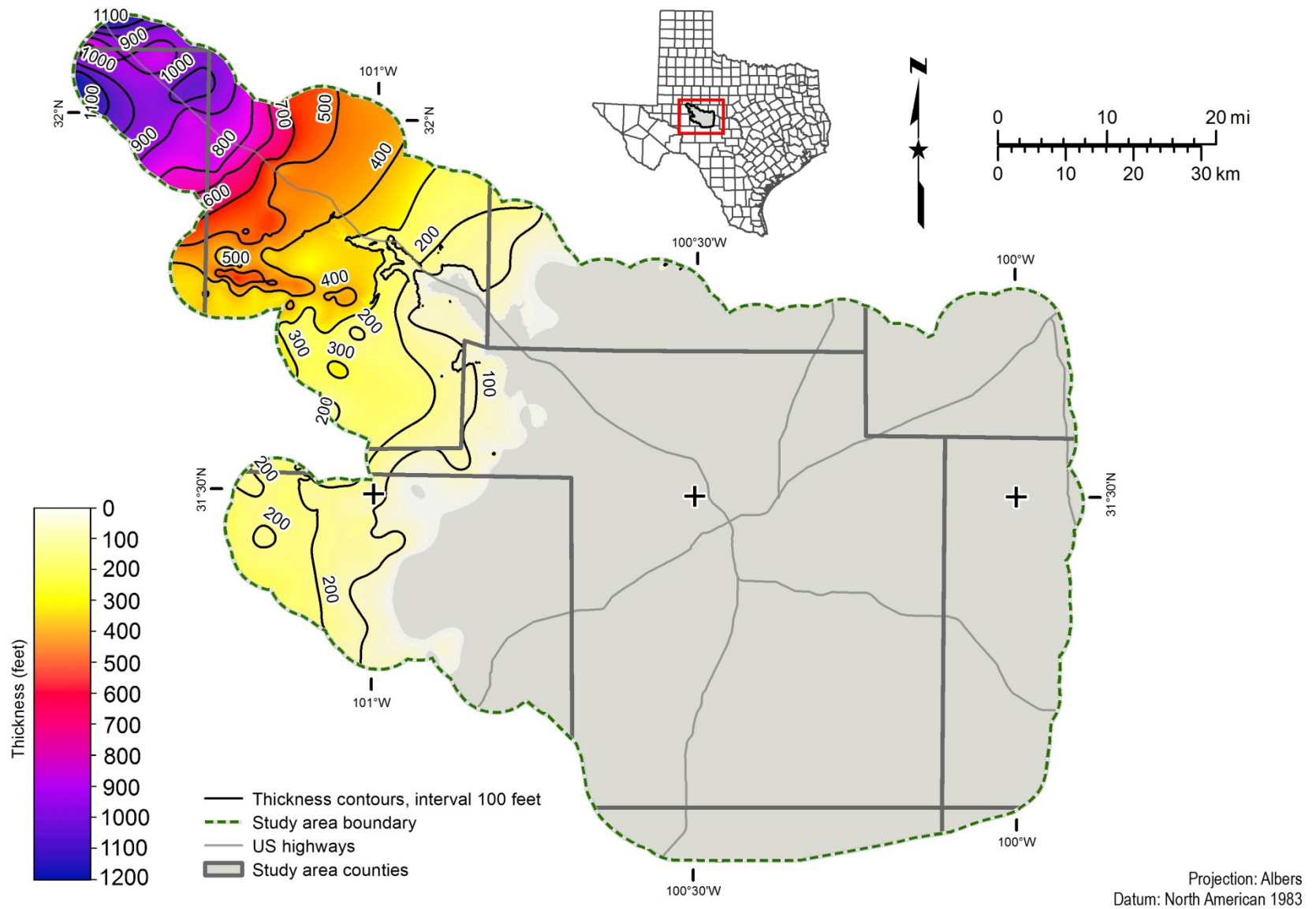


Figure 20.1-48. Isochore map of the Dockum Group in the Lipan Aquifer study area (thickness in feet). Gray area in map represents places where the top of the Dockum Group does not occur.

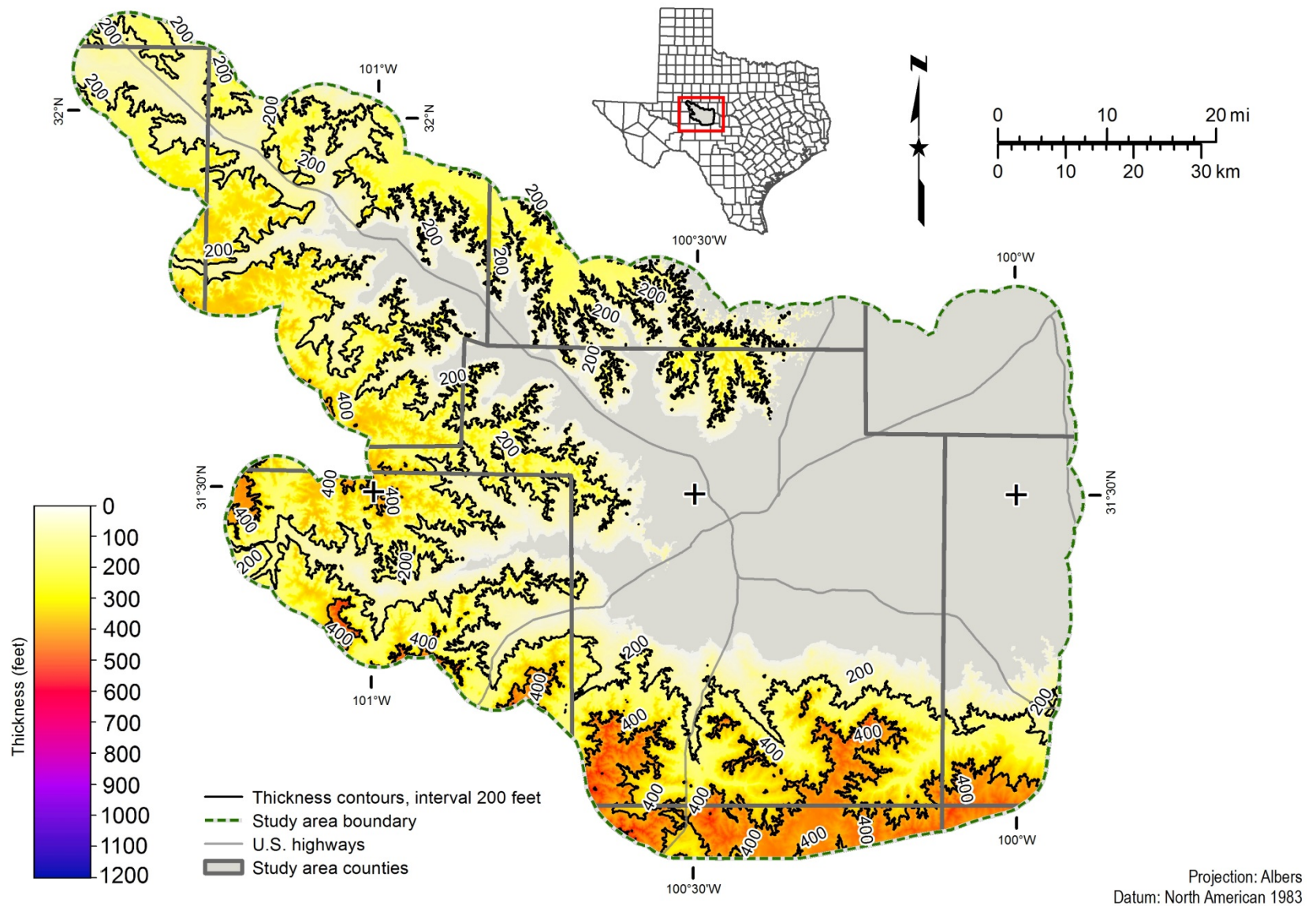


Figure 20.1-49. Isochore map of the Trinity Group in the Lipan Aquifer study area (thickness in feet). The Trinity Group occurs at the ground surface over much of the study area. Gray area in map represents places where the Trinity Group does not occur.

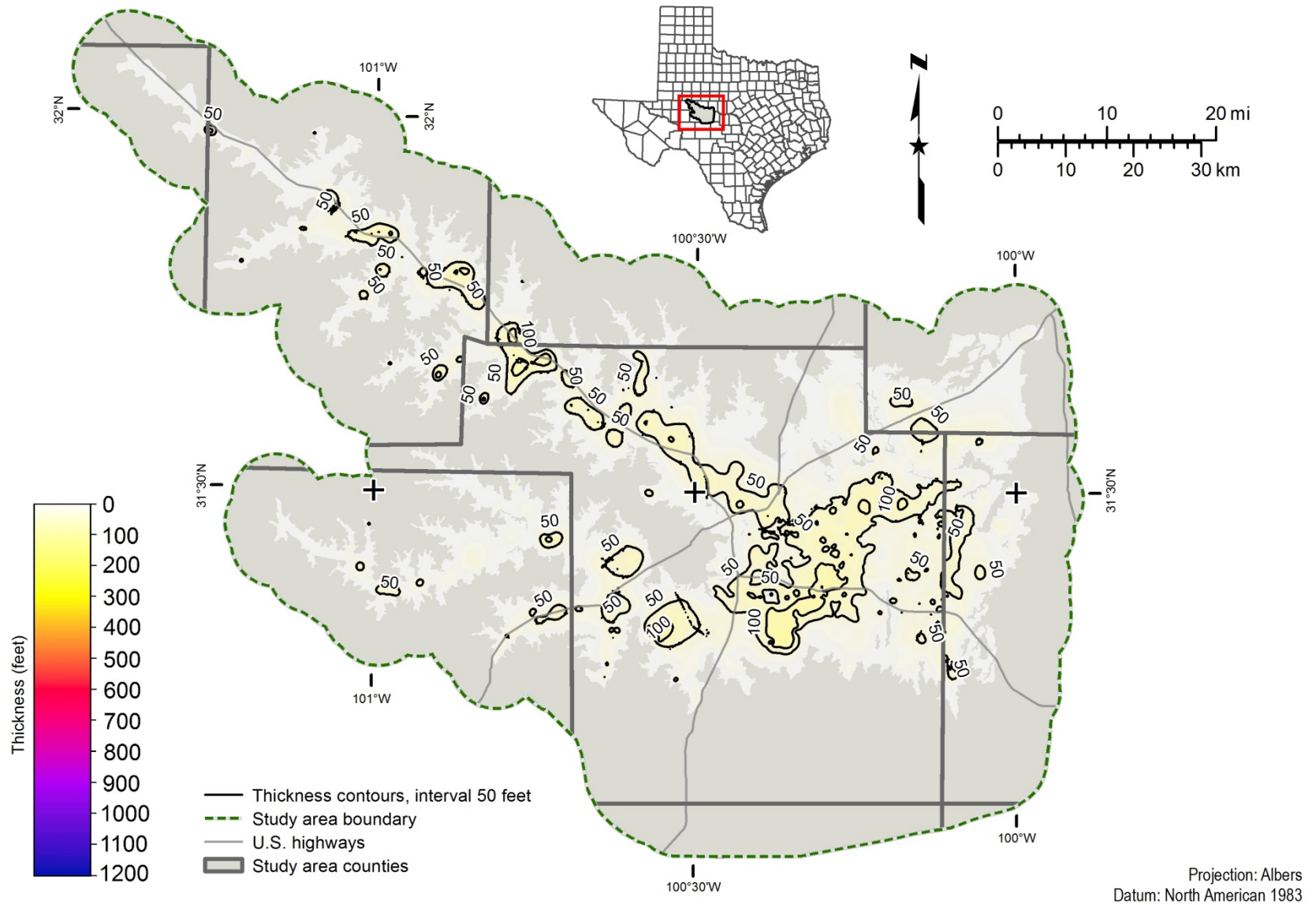


Figure 20.1-50. Isochore map of the Quaternary and Neogene sediments in the Lipan Aquifer study area (thickness in feet). Gray area in map represents places where the Quaternary and Neogene sediments do not occur.

20.2 BRACS Database

All water well and geophysical well log information and supporting databases for the Lipan Aquifer study are managed in the BRACS Database using Microsoft® Access® 2010. When spatial analysis is required, copies of information are exported into ArcGIS®. Information developed in ArcGIS® is then exported back into Microsoft® Access® and the tables are updated accordingly. Although this approach may be cumbersome, it takes advantage of the strengths of the software. The project also relied on other software for specific tasks, including Microsoft® Excel® and Schlumberger Blueview® (for geophysical well log analysis).

For the study, we assembled information from external agencies and updated these databases frequently. All of these databases are maintained in Microsoft® Access® and GIS files were developed for spatial analysis and well selection. Many of the database objects were built from scratch or were redesigned to meet project objectives. Data from external agencies or projects were available in many different data designs, so establishing a common design structure proved beneficial in leveraging information compiled by other groups.

The BRACS and supporting databases are fully relational. Data fields common to multiple datasets have been standardized in data type and name with lookup tables shared between all databases. Database object names use a self-documenting style that follows the Hungarian naming convention (Novalis, 1999). The volume of project information required us to develop comprehensive data entry and analysis procedures (coded as tools) that were embedded on forms used to display information. Visual Basic for Applications® is the programming language used in Microsoft® Access®, and all code was written at the Microsoft® ActiveX® Data Objects level with full code annotation. The code for geophysical well log resistivity analysis was specifically written with class objects to support a rapid analysis of information with the benefit of only having data appended when the user approved the results.

The BRACS Database is described in the BRACS Database and Data Dictionary (Meyer, 2017), which both are available from the TWDB website (www.twdb.texas.gov/innovativewater/bracs/database.asp). We develop custom tables for each study and incorporate these into the BRACS Database and add a study appendix describing these tables to the data dictionary after each study is completed.

20.2.1 Table relationships

The BRACS Database contains 18 primary tables of information (Figure 20.2-1), 32 lookup tables, tables designed for GIS export, and many supporting tables for analysis purposes. A brief description of each of the primary tables is provided in this section. Lookup tables provide control on data entry codes or values for specific data fields (for example, a county lookup table with all 254 county names in Texas). The tables for GIS export are copies of information obtained from one or more tables and in some cases are reformatted to meet GIS analysis needs. These tables can be custom tailored to meet study needs and will not be discussed further.

A fully relational database design has information organized into tables based on a common theme. Information must be segregated into separate tables for each one-to-many data relationship. For example, one well may have many well screens with unique top and bottom depth values; each well screen constitutes one record. Tables are linked by key fields. The well id field is the primary key field for every table in the BRACS Database. For each one-to-many relationship at least one additional key field is required.

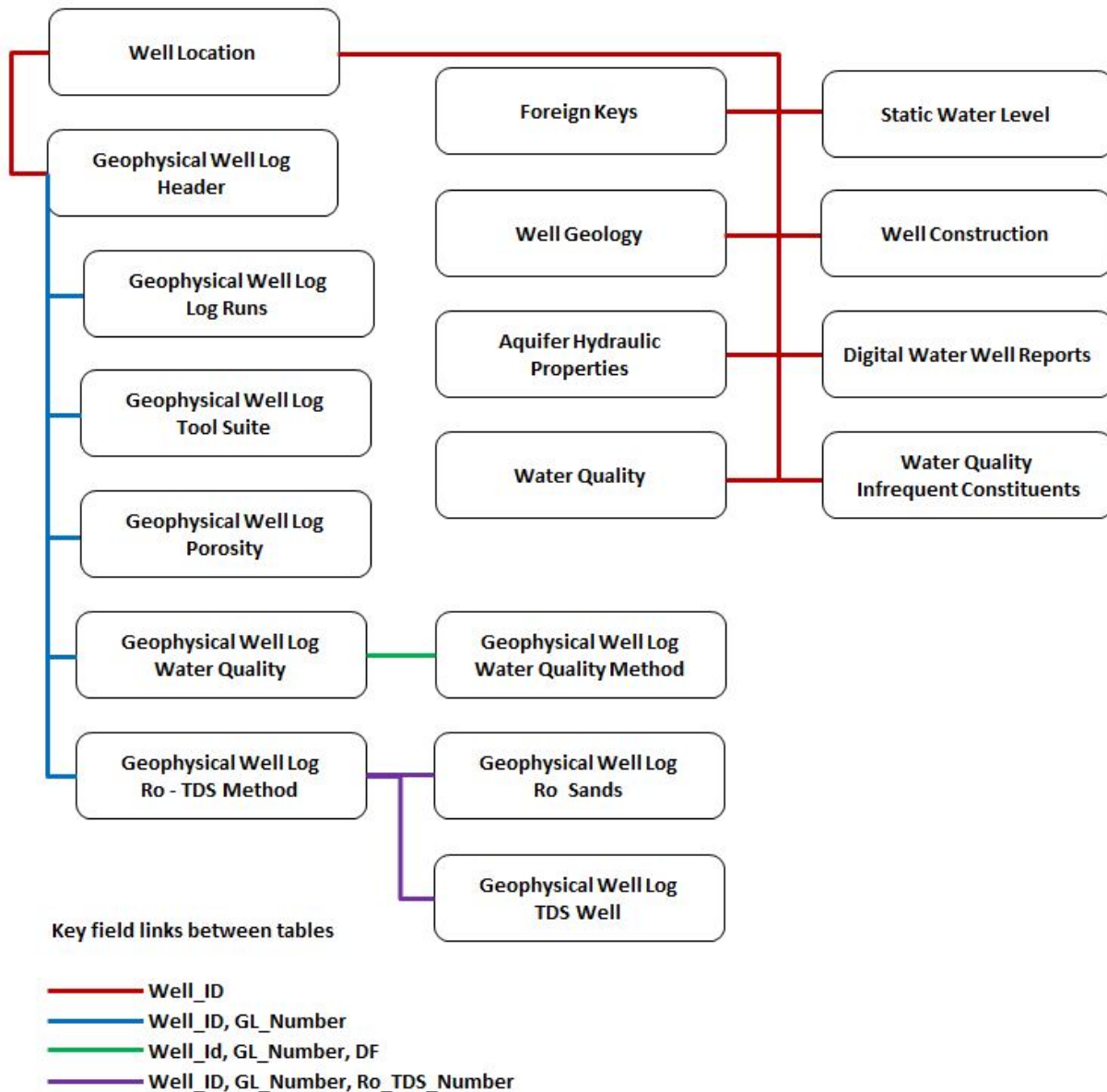


Figure 20.2-1. Table relationships in the BRACS Database. Each rectangle represents a primary data table. The lines connecting the tables represent key fields: red represents the primary key well_id, blue represents the second key, green represents the third key, and purple represents the fourth key. New well records must be appended to the well location table to set the unique well_id. The tables, fields, and key fields are described in more detail in Meyer (2017).

Well locations

The table called tblWell_Location contains one record for each well record in the BRACS Database and is assigned a unique well_id as the key field. The well_id field links all the tables together. This table contains information such as well owner, well depth(s), location attributes (such as latitude, longitude, and elevation), source of well information, county name, and date drilled.

Foreign keys

The table called tblBracs_ForeignKey has zero to many unique well identification names or numbers assigned to it (for example, state well number and American Petroleum Institute number). These identifiers, also known as foreign keys, permit database linkage to the supporting databases developed from external agencies and other TWDB project databases with geophysical well logs and stratigraphic pick information.

Digital well reports

The table called tblBracsWaterWellReports contains zero to many records for digital copies of water well reports and miscellaneous records including oil and gas well scout tickets. The purpose of this table is to track the digital file names, file types, and hyperlinks to the documents.

Geophysical well logs

Information on the digital geophysical well logs is recorded in the table called tblGeophysicalLog_Header. This includes the type of digital file, digital file name, data hyperlink to the log image, and well log parameters such as depth. The well log parameters are only recorded if the well log is to be used for resistivity analysis for interpreted total dissolved solids.

Each geophysical well log may have one or more tools used to record subsurface parameters. This information is recorded in the table tblGeophysicalLog_Suite. Each tool name and its start and bottom depth values in units of feet below ground surface are recorded in this table.

A geophysical well log may be collected during different drilling stages (runs) within specific depth intervals. Each log run will usually have different drilling mud and temperature parameters. These parameters are recorded in the table called tblGeophysicalLog_Header_LogRuns.

The results from resistivity analysis for interpreted total dissolved solids are recorded in several tables. Evaluating more than one depth interval per well necessitated designing the table tblGeophysicalLog_WQ to hold the depth of formation, temperature, and resistivity of the mud filtrate values for that interval. Evaluating more than one resistivity technique per depth interval dictated designing one table, tblGeophysicalLog_WQ_Method, to hold the analysis results including interpreted total dissolved solids, log correction values, method used, geophysical well log used, and a multitude of intermediate values.

One log analysis technique, the Ro-TDS Method, involves the comparison of log resistivity versus total dissolved solids concentration. This information is placed in the following tables: tblBRACS_GL_Analysis_Ro_TDS_Main, tblBRACS_GL_Analysis_Ro_Sands, and tblBRACS_GL_Analysis_TDS_Well. These tables record the final data pairs, the sands and their respective resistivity values, and the total dissolved solids concentration sample results for all wells used in the analysis.

Geophysical well log analysis is used to determine the porosity of specific geologic intervals. This information is recorded in the table called tblGeophysicalLog_Porosity.

Well geology

The descriptions of rock types reported on drillers' well logs, simplified lithologic descriptions, stratigraphic picks, and hydrochemical zones are all contained in the table called tblWell_Geology. Each record contains a top and bottom depth, thickness of the unit, top and bottom elevations, source of data, and a value for type of geologic pick (for example, lithologic, stratigraphic, or hydrogeologic). The latter field permits the storage of all this information in one table and the ability to view the information in one form.

Well construction

Well casing and screen information is contained in the table called tblBracs_Casing. This table design is similar to the well-casing table in the TWDB Groundwater Database and contains top and bottom depths for casing and screen.

Water quality

Two tables contain the results of water quality analyses recorded for wells that are not in the TWDB Groundwater Database: tblBracsWaterQuality and tblBracsInfrequentConstituents. The table designs are similar to those in the TWDB Groundwater Database.

All water quality records used to develop the maps and tables in Section 11 of the report were appended to the table called tblBRACS_Lipan_MasterWaterQuality. This table includes records obtained from the TWDB Groundwater Database and records obtained from research for wells in the BRACS Database.

Static water level

Static water level information is contained in the table called tblBRACS_SWL. The table is similar to its equivalent in the TWDB Groundwater Database. Information on dates, water levels, and source of measurement are recorded in the table. Static water levels for all wells in the study area were compiled into a custom table called tblBRACS_Lipan_SWL.

Aquifer hydraulic properties

Information from existing aquifer tests conducted for all BRACS studies is contained in the table called tblBRACS_AquiferTestInformation. The table contains fields for hydraulic conductivity, transmissivity, specific yield, storage coefficient, drawdown, pumping rate, specific capacity, the types of units for each measurement, date of analysis, source of information, and remarks. If an analysis included the top and bottom depths of the screen, well depth, and static water level, it was captured in this table in case the values differed from what is presented in the casing table (test may have been performed before total depth of the well was reached). The length of aquifer tests, values for drawdown versus recovery, pumping and static water levels, and two analysis remarks fields complete the table design. A custom table for this study area is named tblBRACS_Lipan_Aquifer_Test.

Aquifer determination

The results of the aquifer determination for well records described in Section 9 are presented in the table called tblBRACS_Lipan_AquiferDetermination. This table includes fields for the new aquifer decision, TWDB Groundwater Database aquifer code assigned to the well (if any), well

and screen depths, whether the well has multiple screens, well owner, and latitude/longitude coordinates. Fields for geological formation top and bottom depths derived from GIS geological formation datasets are listed.

20.3 Geographic information system datasets

Many GIS datasets were created during the course of this study. The GIS techniques used to build the files are explained in the following sections and noted in the GIS file metadata.

ArcGIS® 10.0 and the Spatial Analyst® extension software by Environmental Systems Research Institute, Inc. (ESRI) were used to create the GIS files. Each of the GIS files prepared for this BRACS study is available for download from the TWDB website (www.twdb.texas.gov/innovativewater/bracs/studies.asp).

Each point file is in the ArcGIS® shape file format. Point files of well control used for general purposes have a geographic projection and the North American Datum 1983 as the horizontal datum. Point files used for GIS surface (raster) creation have an Albers projection and the North American Datum 1983 as the horizontal datum.

All surface files are in the ArcGIS® raster integer grid file format with an Albers projection and the North American Datum 1983 as the horizontal datum. All raster files are snapped to the project snap grid raster with a cell size of 250 by 250 feet.

Polygon and polyline files are in the ArcGIS® shape file format with an Albers projection and the North American Datum 1983 as the horizontal datum.

All well records are managed in Microsoft® Access® databases. Well records are queried from the database and imported into ArcGIS® for spatial analysis. When new attributes are added to a well using ArcGIS®, the information is imported into Microsoft® Access®, and the well records updated.

Every well record in each database used for this study contains latitude and longitude coordinates in the format of decimal degrees with a North American Datum of 1983. All of these well records were imported into ArcGIS® and georeferenced in a geographic coordinate system, North America, North American Datum 1983 projection. A point shapefile was then saved in a working directory. Every well record then had an elevation assigned from the U.S. Geological Survey seamless 30-meter digital elevation model using the ArcGIS® ArcToolbox (Spatial Analyst® Tools, Extraction, and Extract Values to Points). The dbase file from each shapefile was then imported into Microsoft® Access® and the elevation data updated to each well record, along with date, method, vertical datum, and agency attributes. Each well record also recorded the kelly bushing height when available.

In many cases, new wells were plotted in ArcGIS® and the latitude, longitude, and elevation were determined and appended to the database tables manually. The Original Texas Land Survey obtained from the Railroad Commission of Texas was the principal base map used to plot well locations; county highway maps and topographic maps were used on occasion.

GIS file name codes

ArcGIS® raster files are limited to 12 characters, necessitating the development of a file naming scheme for all GIS files created for BRACS studies. The full list of naming codes can be found in the BRACS Database in the table called tblGisFile_NamingConventions, and a shortened list of codes is presented in Table 20.3-1.

Each code is separated from the next code with an underscore character. For example, the code `le_t_d` refers to the Lueders formation top depth.

Table 20.3-1. GIS file naming codes applied to the Lipan Aquifer study area.

| Code | Code type | Code position | Code description |
|--------------|------------------|----------------------|--|
| Lipan or lip | BRACS Project | 1 | Lipan Aquifer project |
| | | | |
| le | Stratigraphic | 1 | Lueders Formation |
| ay | Stratigraphic | 1 | Arroyo Formation |
| vl | Stratigraphic | 1 | Vale Shale member |
| bw | Stratigraphic | 1 | Bullwagon Dolomite |
| tb | Stratigraphic | 1 | Tubb member |
| ch | Stratigraphic | 1 | Upper Choza member |
| sg | Stratigraphic | 1 | San Angelo Formation |
| sa | Stratigraphic | 1 | San Andres Formation |
| gy | Stratigraphic | 1 | Greyburg Formation |
| q | Stratigraphic | 1 | Queen Formation |
| sr | Stratigraphic | 1 | Seven Rivers Formation |
| ya | Stratigraphic | 1 | Yates Formation |
| ta | Stratigraphic | 1 | Tansill Formation |
| rsc | Stratigraphic | 1 | Rustler-Salado formations |
| dl | Stratigraphic | 1 | Dewey Lake Formation |
| ld | Stratigraphic | 1 | Dockum Group (Lower Dockum) |
| tg | Stratigraphic | 1 | Trinity Group |
| qt | Stratigraphic | 1 | Quaternary and Neogene sediments |
| ss | Salinity zone | 1 | Slightly saline water |
| ms | Salinity zone | 1 | Moderately saline water |
| vs | Salinity zone | 1 | Very saline water |
| swl | Value | 1 | Static water level |
| | | | |
| t | Surface position | 2 | Top |
| b | Surface position | 2 | Bottom |
| | | | |
| e | Value | 3 | Elevation above mean sea level (units: feet) |
| d | Value | 3 | Depth below ground surface (units: feet) |
| tk | Value | 3 | Thickness (units: feet) |
| | | | |
| con | Data type | 4 | Contour |
| ext | Data type | 4 | Extent |
| pt | Data type | 4 | Point |
| pl | Data type | 4 | Polyline |

| Code | Code type | Code position | Code description |
|------|------------------|---------------|--|
| pg | Data type | 4 | Polygon |
| 25 | Contour interval | 5 | Contour interval of 25 feet (units: feet) |
| 50 | Contour interval | 5 | Contour interval of 50 feet (units: feet) |
| 100 | Contour interval | 5 | Contour interval of 100 feet (units: feet) |
| 250 | Contour interval | 5 | Contour interval of 250 feet (units: feet) |
| 400 | Contour interval | 5 | Contour interval of 400 feet (units: feet) |
| 500 | Contour interval | 5 | Contour interval of 500 feet (units: feet) |

Project support GIS files

Unique GIS datasets representing administrative, geologic, and well control features were developed for the project. The filenames associated with these datasets are presented in Table 20.3-2.

Table 20.3-2. Project support GIS files.

| File type | Point file name | Polyline file name | Polygon file name | Raster file name |
|------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------------------|------------------|
| Project snap grid | | | | lip_snap250 |
| Project elevation | | | | dem_i_250 |
| Project boundary | | Lipan_Study_Bound_line | Lipan_Study_Bound_poly | |
| Project well control | BRACS_GIS_Lipan | | | |
| Aquifer determination | Lipan_AQD | | | |
| Surface geology | | | Lipan_GAT_clip_dissolve | |
| Master water quality | | | Lipan_Master_WQ | |
| Public water supply boundary | | | Lipan_PWS_clip | |
| Texas counties | | | Lipan_County_Clip | |
| Texas cities | | | Lipan_City_Clip | |
| U.S. Highways | | Lipan_US_Highway_Clip | | |

| File type | Point file name | Polyline file name | Polygon file name | Raster file name |
|--|----------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|------------------|
| Texas groundwater conservation districts | | | Lipan_GCD_Clip | |
| Texas groundwater management areas | | | TWDB_GMAs | |
| Texas regional water planning areas | | | TWDB_RWPAs | |
| Class II injection wells | Lipan_UIC_ClassII_Wells | | | |
| Geologic cross-section | Lipan_Cross_Section_Points | Lipan_Cross_Section_Line | | |
| Surface water | | Lipan_Streams_Clip | Lipan_Major_Reservoirs | |
| Figure feathering | | | Lipan_Feather_Mask | |
| Aquifer test data | Lipan_AT_Select | | | |

Geologic formation GIS files

Raster GIS datasets representing the mapped geologic structural features in the study area are presented in Table 20.3-3.

Table 20.3-3. Geological formation GIS files.

| Unit name | Raster surface file name | Polygon file name | Raster extent file name |
|-------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|
| Lueders Formation | le_t_d | le_ext_pg | le_ext |
| | le_t_e | | |
| | | | |
| Arroyo Formation | ay_t_d | ay_ext_pg | ay_ext |
| | ay_t_e | | |
| | ay_tk | | |
| | | | |
| Vale Shale member | vl_t_d | vl_ext_pg | vl_ext |
| | vl_t_e | | |
| | vl_tk | | |
| | | | |

| Unit name | Raster surface file name | Polygon file name | Raster extent file name |
|------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Bullwagon Dolomite | bw_t_d | bw_ext_pg | bw_ext |
| | bw_t_e | | |
| | bw_tk | | |
| | | | |
| Tubb member | tb_t_d | tb_ext_pg | tb_ext |
| | tb_t_e | | |
| | tb_tk | | |
| | | | |
| Upper Choza member | ch_t_d | ch_ext_pg | ch_ext |
| | ch_t_e | | |
| | ch_tk | | |
| | | | |
| San Angelo Formation | sg_t_d | sg_ext_pg | sg_ext |
| | sg_t_e | | |
| | sg_tk | | |
| | | | |
| San Andres Formation | sa_t_e | sa_ext_pg | sa_ext |
| | sa_t_d | | |
| | sa_tk | | |
| | | | |
| Grayburg Formation | gy_t_d | gy_ext_pg | gy_ext |
| | gy_t_e | | |
| | gy_tk | | |
| | | | |
| Queen Formation | q_t_d | q_ext_pg | q_ext |
| | q_t_e | | |
| | q_tk | | |
| | | | |
| Seven Rivers Formation | sr_t_d | sr_ext_pg | sr_ext |
| | sr_t_e | | |
| | sr_tk | | |
| | | | |
| Yates Formation | ya_t_d | ya_ext_pg | ya_ext |
| | ya_t_e | | |
| | ya_tk | | |
| | | | |

| Unit name | Raster surface file name | Polygon file name | Raster extent file name |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|
| Tansill Formation | ta_t_d | ta_ext_pg | ta_ext |
| | ta_t_e | | |
| | ta_tk | | |
| | | | |
| Rustler-Salado formations | rsc_t_d | rsc_ext_pg | rsc_ext |
| | rsc_t_e | | |
| | rsc_tk | | |
| | | | |
| Dewey Lake Formation | dl_t_d | dl_ext_pg | dl_ext |
| | dl_t_e | | |
| | dl_tk | | |
| | | | |
| Dockum Group | dol_t_d | dol_ext_pg | dol_ext |
| | dol_t_e | | |
| | dol_tk | | |
| | | | |
| Trinity Group | tg_b_e | tg_ext_pg | tg_ext |
| | tg_tk | | |
| | | | |
| Quaternary and Neogene sediments | qt_b_e | qt_ext_pg | qt_ext |
| | qt_tk | | |

Salinity zones raster files

Raster GIS datasets representing the mapped salinity zone surfaces in the study area are presented in Table 20.3-4.

Table 20.3-4. Salinity zone raster files.

| Salinity zone | Raster surface file name |
|-------------------|--------------------------|
| Slightly Saline | ss_t_d |
| | ss_t_e |
| Moderately Saline | ms_t_d |
| | ms_t_e |
| Very Saline | vs_t_d |
| | vs_t_e |

20.4 Water quality well summary

We used 918 calculated or measured water quality samples to develop all of our water quality zones within the Permian formations. Data on these samples are tabulated below. The data was generated either using Alger-Harrison Method interpretations of geophysical well logs or measurements from actual water samples. Latitudes and longitudes are in North American Datum of 1983 (NAD 83).

Table 20.4-1. Permian formation water quality sample summary.

| State well number | BRACS well id | Formation | Latitude | Longitude | TDS (mg/L) | Method |
|-------------------|---------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|------------|----------------|
| | 16967 | Lueders | 31.258406 | -100.011360 | 4711 | Alger Harrison |
| | 16968 | Lueders | 31.192280 | -100.040213 | 5229 | Alger Harrison |
| | 16978 | Lueders | 31.310039 | -99.944605 | 4957 | Alger Harrison |
| | 16980 | Lueders | 31.524238 | -100.078050 | 43846 | Alger Harrison |
| | 17000 | Lueders | 31.198571 | -100.110850 | 7808 | Alger Harrison |
| | 17062 | Lueders | 31.343286 | -100.031832 | 16765 | Alger Harrison |
| | 18840 | Lueders | 31.616946 | -100.151194 | 14615 | Alger Harrison |
| | 18849 | Lueders | 31.603704 | -100.179536 | 30000 | Alger Harrison |
| | 23156 | Lueders | 31.998302 | -101.067511 | 71250 | Alger Harrison |
| | 24736 | Lueders | 31.551085 | -100.513121 | 71250 | Alger Harrison |
| | 24744 | Lueders | 31.428755 | -100.160580 | 9194 | Alger Harrison |
| | 24754 | Lueders | 31.547039 | -100.349678 | 30000 | Alger Harrison |
| | 24756 | Lueders | 31.391699 | -100.452771 | 5182 | Alger Harrison |
| | 24971 | Lueders | 31.488928 | -100.206702 | 8381 | Alger Harrison |
| 4312903 | 25724 | Lueders | 31.768179 | -100.540247 | 30000 | Alger Harrison |
| | 25746 | Lueders | 31.767280 | -100.780087 | 20357 | Alger Harrison |
| | 26130 | Lueders | 31.416940 | -100.186871 | 6477 | Alger Harrison |
| | 26747 | Lueders | 31.740011 | -101.105129 | 15000 | Alger Harrison |
| | 26819 | Lueders | 31.736161 | -101.134080 | 19000 | Alger Harrison |
| | 26935 | Lueders | 31.042560 | -100.515493 | 6129 | Alger Harrison |
| | 27000 | Lueders | 31.760639 | -101.168551 | 8382 | Alger Harrison |
| | 27035 | Lueders | 31.756725 | -101.145281 | 9828 | Alger Harrison |
| | 27113 | Lueders | 31.812097 | -100.974954 | 43846 | Alger Harrison |
| | 27114 | Lueders | 31.326624 | -100.453610 | 10179 | Alger Harrison |
| | 27134 | Lueders | 31.783869 | -101.129950 | 7703 | Alger Harrison |
| | 27383 | Lueders | 31.710253 | -101.104552 | 6477 | Alger Harrison |
| | 27383 | Lueders | 31.710253 | -101.104552 | 6786 | Alger Harrison |
| | 27386 | Lueders | 31.728821 | -101.133670 | 9500 | Alger Harrison |
| | 27447 | Lueders | 31.705179 | -101.036072 | 5534 | Alger Harrison |
| | 27785 | Lueders | 31.538677 | -101.157729 | 19556 | Alger Harrison |

| State well number | BRACS well id | Formation | Latitude | Longitude | TDS (mg/L) | Method |
|-------------------|---------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|------------|----------------|
| | 27959 | Lueders | 31.794067 | -101.207502 | 8906 | Alger Harrison |
| | 28110 | Lueders | 31.791977 | -101.123064 | 10000 | Alger Harrison |
| | 28112 | Lueders | 31.781719 | -101.143621 | 15833 | Alger Harrison |
| | 28197 | Lueders | 31.756456 | -101.052521 | 6628 | Alger Harrison |
| | 28604 | Lueders | 31.300435 | -100.721659 | 9048 | Alger Harrison |
| | 28744 | Lueders | 31.780859 | -101.163011 | 12667 | Alger Harrison |
| | 29166 | Lueders | 31.738238 | -101.052882 | 6333 | Alger Harrison |
| | 29308 | Lueders | 31.774400 | -101.066539 | 24783 | Alger Harrison |
| | 29768 | Lueders | 31.880645 | -101.173602 | 12391 | Alger Harrison |
| | 29841 | Lueders | 31.740682 | -101.065509 | 23750 | Alger Harrison |
| | 29878 | Lueders | 31.866645 | -101.192122 | 9344 | Alger Harrison |
| | 30284 | Lueders | 31.693683 | -100.117215 | 22800 | Alger Harrison |
| | 30677 | Lueders | 31.848176 | -101.184512 | 8143 | Alger Harrison |
| | 30857 | Lueders | 31.836070 | -101.145734 | 6333 | Alger Harrison |
| | 30878 | Lueders | 31.968134 | -100.985169 | 17600 | Alger Harrison |
| | 31067 | Lueders | 31.651239 | -100.032031 | 6000 | Alger Harrison |
| | 32652 | Lueders | 31.802076 | -101.225033 | 10755 | Alger Harrison |
| | 32775 | Lueders | 31.655623 | -100.590218 | 18387 | Alger Harrison |
| | 32775 | Lueders | 31.655623 | -100.590218 | 20000 | Alger Harrison |
| | 32781 | Lueders | 31.099638 | -100.339207 | 7917 | Alger Harrison |
| | 32783 | Lueders | 31.383863 | -100.184251 | 12571 | Alger Harrison |
| | 32787 | Lueders | 31.427686 | -100.482211 | 30000 | Alger Harrison |
| | 32788 | Lueders | 31.462631 | -100.269613 | 15405 | Alger Harrison |
| | 32790 | Lueders | 31.421155 | -100.273114 | 10000 | Alger Harrison |
| | 32792 | Lueders | 31.556768 | -100.144445 | 5278 | Alger Harrison |
| | 32796 | Lueders | 31.420053 | -100.228682 | 3149 | Alger Harrison |
| | 32799 | Lueders | 31.383220 | -100.307365 | 19000 | Alger Harrison |
| | 32800 | Lueders | 31.108047 | -100.499164 | 51818 | Alger Harrison |
| | 32805 | Lueders | 31.352206 | -100.525198 | 8906 | Alger Harrison |
| | 32806 | Lueders | 31.399977 | -100.684287 | 5229 | Alger Harrison |
| | 32808 | Lueders | 31.302859 | -100.461553 | 7125 | Alger Harrison |
| | 32814 | Lueders | 31.514450 | -100.444722 | 18387 | Alger Harrison |
| | 33111 | Lueders | 31.639387 | -100.111214 | 19655 | Alger Harrison |
| | 34486 | Lueders | 31.112499 | -100.036712 | 3413 | Alger Harrison |
| | 34601 | Lueders | 31.677053 | -100.035443 | 43846 | Alger Harrison |
| | 35381 | Lueders | 31.210412 | -100.481005 | 10179 | Alger Harrison |
| | 35561 | Lueders | 31.455673 | -100.618163 | 19655 | Alger Harrison |

| State well number | BRACS well id | Formation | Latitude | Longitude | TDS (mg/L) | Method |
|-------------------|---------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|------------|----------------|
| | 35563 | Lueders | 31.465803 | -100.589194 | 16286 | Alger Harrison |
| | 35809 | Lueders | 31.923467 | -100.874297 | 15405 | Alger Harrison |
| | 36282 | Lueders | 31.457230 | -100.048028 | 13571 | Alger Harrison |
| 4343601 | 37961 | Lueders | 31.296855 | -100.641823 | 19000 | Alger Harrison |
| | 37974 | Lueders | 31.546184 | -100.432327 | 8507 | Alger Harrison |
| | 37975 | Lueders | 31.512490 | -100.381069 | 38000 | Alger Harrison |
| | 37977 | Lueders | 31.279513 | -100.436529 | 4524 | Alger Harrison |
| | 38262 | Lueders | 31.619595 | -100.516255 | 38000 | Alger Harrison |
| | 47564 | Lueders | 31.256367 | -100.735358 | 20357 | Alger Harrison |
| | 47609 | Lueders | 31.431211 | -100.985135 | 10000 | Alger Harrison |
| | 47858 | Lueders | 31.503295 | -100.697688 | 10556 | Alger Harrison |
| | 51650 | Lueders | 31.200276 | -100.539197 | 13571 | Alger Harrison |
| | 51672 | Lueders | 31.542921 | -100.901953 | 10962 | Alger Harrison |
| 4352407 | 51891 | Lueders | 31.195660 | -100.590356 | 11176 | Alger Harrison |
| 4320105 | 53709 | Lueders | 31.720326 | -100.614950 | 15000 | Alger Harrison |
| 4310901 | 53713 | Lueders | 31.788703 | -100.758778 | 7917 | Alger Harrison |
| 4310503 | 53730 | Lueders | 31.800084 | -100.796123 | 19000 | Alger Harrison |
| 4302903 | 53737 | Lueders | 31.891535 | -100.785607 | 95000 | Alger Harrison |
| 4321106 | 53774 | Lueders | 31.734940 | -100.463144 | 17273 | Alger Harrison |
| | 54502 | Lueders | 31.291304 | -100.511095 | 1738 | Alger Harrison |
| | 54508 | Lueders | 31.492880 | -100.506374 | 14615 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55188 | Lueders | 31.537764 | -100.660755 | 18387 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55188 | Lueders | 31.537764 | -100.660755 | 14250 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55188 | Lueders | 31.537764 | -100.660755 | 25909 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55203 | Lueders | 31.461285 | -100.381017 | 18387 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55207 | Lueders | 31.353511 | -100.488535 | 28500 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55220 | Lueders | 31.431533 | -100.254143 | 8906 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55221 | Lueders | 31.148304 | -100.637771 | 12128 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55225 | Lueders | 31.422830 | -100.371988 | 33529 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55227 | Lueders | 31.400305 | -100.540771 | 10556 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55228 | Lueders | 31.521243 | -100.226309 | 22800 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55235 | Lueders | 31.224487 | -100.661647 | 21923 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55240 | Lueders | 31.115071 | -100.234607 | 7703 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55256 | Lueders | 31.300295 | -100.380127 | 21923 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55262 | Lueders | 31.444116 | -100.340034 | 6628 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55267 | Lueders | 31.521707 | -100.687579 | 16286 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55267 | Lueders | 31.521707 | -100.687579 | 10962 | Alger Harrison |

| State well number | BRACS well id | Formation | Latitude | Longitude | TDS (mg/L) | Method |
|-------------------|---------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|------------|----------------|
| | 55271 | Lueders | 31.505700 | -100.596876 | 9194 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55271 | Lueders | 31.505700 | -100.596876 | 17812 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55271 | Lueders | 31.505700 | -100.596876 | 19000 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55271 | Lueders | 31.505700 | -100.596876 | 31667 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55281 | Lueders | 31.332853 | -100.137059 | 16765 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55296 | Lueders | 31.212865 | -100.589465 | 9048 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55300 | Lueders | 31.621898 | -100.393097 | 10179 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55304 | Lueders | 31.220066 | -100.363786 | 15833 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55306 | Lueders | 31.137044 | -100.590618 | 5534 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55318 | Lueders | 31.268958 | -100.554217 | 12128 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55319 | Lueders | 31.244158 | -100.576827 | 4191 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55336 | Lueders | 31.191478 | -100.606837 | 9828 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55338 | Lueders | 31.224076 | -100.623007 | 8462 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55340 | Lueders | 31.245330 | -100.618482 | 22800 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55351 | Lueders | 31.126329 | -100.501252 | 21923 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55360 | Lueders | 31.420102 | -100.127310 | 11633 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55361 | Lueders | 31.624130 | -100.457540 | 8769 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55362 | Lueders | 31.658302 | -100.633439 | 16286 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55362 | Lueders | 31.658302 | -100.633439 | 30000 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55382 | Lueders | 31.639943 | -100.619228 | 15833 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55384 | Lueders | 31.662079 | -100.559102 | 6552 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55385 | Lueders | 31.677209 | -100.662452 | 12128 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55428 | Lueders | 31.571589 | -100.210934 | 15000 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55688 | Lueders | 31.143217 | -100.368527 | 25909 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55692 | Lueders | 31.158984 | -100.538909 | 9048 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55699 | Lueders | 31.195538 | -100.653457 | 19000 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55700 | Lueders | 31.568457 | -100.163715 | 18387 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55704 | Lueders | 31.557770 | -100.232381 | 4254 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55706 | Lueders | 31.402332 | -100.525024 | 33529 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55707 | Lueders | 31.249595 | -100.228910 | 6264 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55711 | Lueders | 31.130599 | -100.620426 | 8382 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55716 | Lueders | 31.647943 | -100.622598 | 12955 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55725 | Lueders | 31.543810 | -100.308467 | 15833 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55730 | Lueders | 32.000690 | -101.215894 | 57000 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55737 | Lueders | 31.237837 | -100.506252 | 9500 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55756 | Lueders | 31.599846 | -100.496584 | 17959 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55761 | Lueders | 31.154799 | -100.629646 | 6404 | Alger Harrison |

| State well number | BRACS well id | Formation | Latitude | Longitude | TDS (mg/L) | Method |
|-------------------|---------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|------------|----------------|
| | 55762 | Lueders | 31.400269 | -100.498751 | 23750 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55815 | Lueders | 31.324434 | -100.265912 | 4351 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55923 | Lueders | 31.168158 | -100.472501 | 8636 | Alger Harrison |
| | 58520 | Lueders | 31.052059 | -100.373988 | 14615 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55144 | Lueders | 31.577000 | -100.027000 | 3953 | Measured |
| | 55146 | Lueders | 31.500000 | -100.033000 | 1902 | Measured |
| | 55147 | Lueders | 31.455000 | -100.011000 | 6049 | Measured |
| | 18840 | Arroyo | 31.616946 | -100.151194 | 17273 | Alger Harrison |
| | 18849 | Arroyo | 31.603704 | -100.179536 | 27143 | Alger Harrison |
| | 23156 | Arroyo | 31.998302 | -101.067511 | 16286 | Alger Harrison |
| | 24736 | Arroyo | 31.551085 | -100.513121 | 33529 | Alger Harrison |
| | 24744 | Arroyo | 31.428755 | -100.160580 | 15833 | Alger Harrison |
| | 24754 | Arroyo | 31.547039 | -100.349678 | 15405 | Alger Harrison |
| | 24756 | Arroyo | 31.391699 | -100.452771 | 15405 | Alger Harrison |
| | 24971 | Arroyo | 31.488928 | -100.206702 | 23750 | Alger Harrison |
| 4312903 | 25724 | Arroyo | 31.768179 | -100.540247 | 20357 | Alger Harrison |
| | 25746 | Arroyo | 31.767280 | -100.780087 | 7703 | Alger Harrison |
| | 26130 | Arroyo | 31.416940 | -100.186871 | 6786 | Alger Harrison |
| | 26747 | Arroyo | 31.740011 | -101.105129 | 20357 | Alger Harrison |
| | 26755 | Arroyo | 31.818349 | -101.168217 | 14615 | Alger Harrison |
| | 26819 | Arroyo | 31.736161 | -101.134080 | 9048 | Alger Harrison |
| | 26935 | Arroyo | 31.042560 | -100.515493 | 12391 | Alger Harrison |
| | 27024 | Arroyo | 31.764369 | -101.152701 | 21111 | Alger Harrison |
| | 27024 | Arroyo | 31.764369 | -101.152701 | 13902 | Alger Harrison |
| | 27035 | Arroyo | 31.756725 | -101.145281 | 33529 | Alger Harrison |
| | 27113 | Arroyo | 31.812097 | -100.974954 | 11400 | Alger Harrison |
| | 27113 | Arroyo | 31.812097 | -100.974954 | 10962 | Alger Harrison |
| | 27113 | Arroyo | 31.812097 | -100.974954 | 17812 | Alger Harrison |
| | 27114 | Arroyo | 31.326624 | -100.453610 | 12955 | Alger Harrison |
| | 27134 | Arroyo | 31.783869 | -101.129950 | 11633 | Alger Harrison |
| | 27383 | Arroyo | 31.710253 | -101.104552 | 5876 | Alger Harrison |
| | 27386 | Arroyo | 31.728821 | -101.133670 | 7125 | Alger Harrison |
| | 27447 | Arroyo | 31.705179 | -101.036072 | 5938 | Alger Harrison |
| | 27785 | Arroyo | 31.538677 | -101.157729 | 27500 | Alger Harrison |
| | 27959 | Arroyo | 31.794067 | -101.207502 | 5938 | Alger Harrison |
| | 28110 | Arroyo | 31.791977 | -101.123064 | 12667 | Alger Harrison |
| | 28112 | Arroyo | 31.781719 | -101.143621 | 13256 | Alger Harrison |

| State well number | BRACS well id | Formation | Latitude | Longitude | TDS (mg/L) | Method |
|-------------------|---------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|------------|----------------|
| | 28744 | Arroyo | 31.780859 | -101.163011 | 4318 | Alger Harrison |
| | 29166 | Arroyo | 31.738238 | -101.052882 | 8382 | Alger Harrison |
| | 29308 | Arroyo | 31.774400 | -101.066539 | 19655 | Alger Harrison |
| | 29768 | Arroyo | 31.880645 | -101.173602 | 10755 | Alger Harrison |
| | 29841 | Arroyo | 31.740682 | -101.065509 | 21923 | Alger Harrison |
| | 29878 | Arroyo | 31.866645 | -101.192122 | 13902 | Alger Harrison |
| | 30284 | Arroyo | 31.693683 | -100.117215 | 15405 | Alger Harrison |
| | 30677 | Arroyo | 31.848176 | -101.184512 | 8769 | Alger Harrison |
| | 30857 | Arroyo | 31.836070 | -101.145734 | 6628 | Alger Harrison |
| | 30878 | Arroyo | 31.968134 | -100.985169 | 10732 | Alger Harrison |
| | 32743 | Arroyo | 31.785080 | -100.107017 | 7500 | Alger Harrison |
| | 32775 | Arroyo | 31.655623 | -100.590218 | 13902 | Alger Harrison |
| | 32775 | Arroyo | 31.655623 | -100.590218 | 13538 | Alger Harrison |
| | 32781 | Arroyo | 31.099638 | -100.339207 | 5089 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 32806 | Arroyo | 31.399977 | -100.684287 | 5481 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 35809 | Arroyo | 31.923467 | -100.874297 | 27143 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 37974 | Arroyo | 31.546184 | -100.432327 | 16765 | Alger Harrison |
| | 37975 | Arroyo | 31.512490 | -100.381069 | 7500 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 47609 | Arroyo | 31.431211 | -100.985135 | 11633 | Alger Harrison |
| | 47858 | Arroyo | 31.503295 | -100.697688 | 9500 | Alger Harrison |
| | 51650 | Arroyo | 31.200276 | -100.539197 | 21923 | Alger Harrison |
| | 51672 | Arroyo | 31.542921 | -100.901953 | 13571 | Alger Harrison |
| 4329301 | 51781 | Arroyo | 31.622197 | -100.413971 | 6404 | Alger Harrison |
| 4352407 | 51891 | Arroyo | 31.195660 | -100.590356 | 19655 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 55228 | Arroyo | 31.521243 | -100.226309 | 31667 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 55262 | Arroyo | 31.444116 | -100.340034 | 4318 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 55304 | Arroyo | 31.220066 | -100.363786 | 8906 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 55319 | Arroyo | 31.244158 | -100.576827 | 9661 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 55361 | Arroyo | 31.624130 | -100.457540 | 12391 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55382 | Arroyo | 31.639943 | -100.619228 | 9048 | Alger Harrison |
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| 4339304 | | Arroyo | 31.473888 | -100.125832 | 3211 | Measured |
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| 4348402 | | Arroyo | 31.303333 | -100.115277 | 2359 | Measured |
| 4324301 | | Arroyo | 31.709166 | -100.008333 | 1272 | Measured |
| 4324301 | | Arroyo | 31.709166 | -100.008333 | 979 | Measured |

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| 4332305 | | Arroyo | 31.592221 | -100.039444 | 2279 | Measured |
| 4332305 | | Arroyo | 31.592221 | -100.039444 | 2279 | Measured |
| 4332305 | | Arroyo | 31.592221 | -100.039444 | 2223 | Measured |
| 4332305 | | Arroyo | 31.592221 | -100.039444 | 1874 | Measured |
| | 55140 | Arroyo | 31.689000 | -100.039000 | 3801 | Measured |
| | 55145 | Arroyo | 31.573000 | -100.015000 | 1539 | Measured |
| | 55148 | Arroyo | 31.393000 | -100.166000 | 1519 | Measured |
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| 4332403 | | Arroyo | 31.555001 | -100.118889 | 1552 | Measured |
| 4340104 | | Arroyo | 31.464723 | -100.091111 | 1054 | Measured |
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| 4348101 | | Arroyo | 31.355834 | -100.091111 | 849 | Measured |
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| | 24736 | Bullwagon Dolomite | 31.551085 | -100.513121 | 22800 | Alger Harrison |
| | 24736 | Bullwagon Dolomite | 31.551085 | -100.513121 | 17273 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 25746 | Bullwagon Dolomite | 31.767280 | -100.780087 | 6951 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 27114 | Bullwagon Dolomite | 31.326624 | -100.453610 | 5534 | Alger Harrison |
| | 27134 | Bullwagon Dolomite | 31.783869 | -101.129950 | 13571 | Alger Harrison |
| | 27383 | Bullwagon Dolomite | 31.710253 | -101.104552 | 6129 | Alger Harrison |
| | 27386 | Bullwagon Dolomite | 31.728821 | -101.133670 | 12128 | Alger Harrison |
| | 27959 | Bullwagon Dolomite | 31.794067 | -101.207502 | 5135 | Alger Harrison |
| | 28197 | Bullwagon Dolomite | 31.756456 | -101.052521 | 11176 | Alger Harrison |
| | 28603 | Bullwagon Dolomite | 31.422247 | -100.917424 | 31667 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 29308 | Bullwagon Dolomite | 31.774400 | -101.066539 | 18387 | Alger Harrison |
| | 29768 | Bullwagon Dolomite | 31.880645 | -101.173602 | 28500 | Alger Harrison |
| | 29841 | Bullwagon Dolomite | 31.740682 | -101.065509 | 8028 | Alger Harrison |
| | 29878 | Bullwagon Dolomite | 31.866645 | -101.192122 | 12128 | Alger Harrison |
| | 30677 | Bullwagon Dolomite | 31.848176 | -101.184512 | 15405 | Alger Harrison |
| | 30857 | Bullwagon Dolomite | 31.836070 | -101.145734 | 4957 | Alger Harrison |
| | 30878 | Bullwagon Dolomite | 31.968134 | -100.985169 | 11429 | Alger Harrison |
| | 32361 | Bullwagon Dolomite | 31.426817 | -100.913211 | 7500 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 32775 | Bullwagon Dolomite | 31.655623 | -100.590218 | 9670 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 32787 | Bullwagon Dolomite | 31.427686 | -100.482211 | 43846 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 32805 | Bullwagon Dolomite | 31.352206 | -100.525198 | 6404 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 35563 | Bullwagon Dolomite | 31.465803 | -100.589194 | 8507 | Alger Harrison |
| | 35809 | Bullwagon Dolomite | 31.923467 | -100.874297 | 5644 | Alger Harrison |
| | 35809 | Bullwagon Dolomite | 31.923467 | -100.874297 | 5644 | Alger Harrison |
| 4343601 | 37961 | Bullwagon Dolomite | 31.296855 | -100.641823 | 23750 | Alger Harrison |
| | 37975 | Bullwagon Dolomite | 31.512490 | -100.381069 | 43846 | Alger Harrison |
| | 37977 | Bullwagon Dolomite | 31.279513 | -100.436529 | 1252 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 51650 | Bullwagon Dolomite | 31.200276 | -100.539197 | 7808 | Alger Harrison |
| 4352407 | 51891 | Bullwagon Dolomite | 31.195660 | -100.590356 | 3497 | Alger Harrison |
| 4320105 | 53709 | Bullwagon Dolomite | 31.720326 | -100.614950 | 7808 | Alger Harrison |
| 4310503 | 53730 | Bullwagon Dolomite | 31.800084 | -100.796123 | 12955 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 54502 | Bullwagon Dolomite | 31.291304 | -100.511095 | 1738 | Alger Harrison |
| | 54508 | Bullwagon Dolomite | 31.492880 | -100.506374 | 3986 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55188 | Bullwagon Dolomite | 31.537764 | -100.660755 | 9194 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55203 | Bullwagon Dolomite | 31.461285 | -100.381017 | 18387 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55207 | Bullwagon Dolomite | 31.353511 | -100.488535 | 25909 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 55304 | Bullwagon Dolomite | 31.220066 | -100.363786 | 7403 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 55382 | Bullwagon Dolomite | 31.639943 | -100.619228 | 6628 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 55756 | Bullwagon Dolomite | 31.599846 | -100.496584 | 18333 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 27134 | Tubb | 31.783869 | -101.129950 | 8769 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 27386 | Tubb | 31.728821 | -101.133670 | 12128 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 27447 | Tubb | 31.705179 | -101.036072 | 8261 | Alger Harrison |
| | 27785 | Tubb | 31.538677 | -101.157729 | 22000 | Alger Harrison |
| | 27959 | Tubb | 31.794067 | -101.207502 | 7037 | Alger Harrison |
| | 28110 | Tubb | 31.791977 | -101.123064 | 10755 | Alger Harrison |
| | 28112 | Tubb | 31.781719 | -101.143621 | 9344 | Alger Harrison |
| | 28197 | Tubb | 31.756456 | -101.052521 | 11633 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 35561 | Tubb | 31.455673 | -100.618163 | 8382 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 51672 | Tubb | 31.542921 | -100.901953 | 15405 | Alger Harrison |
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| 4310901 | 53713 | Tubb | 31.788703 | -100.758778 | 7917 | Alger Harrison |
| 4310503 | 53730 | Tubb | 31.800084 | -100.796123 | 15000 | Alger Harrison |
| 4302903 | 53737 | Tubb | 31.891535 | -100.785607 | 22800 | Alger Harrison |
| 4321106 | 53774 | Tubb | 31.734940 | -100.463144 | 27143 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 55188 | Tubb | 31.537764 | -100.660755 | 12667 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 55267 | Tubb | 31.521707 | -100.687579 | 9194 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 55300 | Tubb | 31.621898 | -100.393097 | 10179 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55306 | Tubb | 31.137044 | -100.590618 | 6628 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55318 | Tubb | 31.268958 | -100.554217 | 12391 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55319 | Tubb | 31.244158 | -100.576827 | 10962 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55336 | Tubb | 31.191478 | -100.606837 | 5429 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55338 | Tubb | 31.224076 | -100.623007 | 4957 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55340 | Tubb | 31.245330 | -100.618482 | 12391 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55361 | Tubb | 31.624130 | -100.457540 | 12955 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 55384 | Tubb | 31.662079 | -100.559102 | 7808 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55385 | Tubb | 31.677209 | -100.662452 | 9500 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 55692 | Tubb | 31.158984 | -100.538909 | 2192 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 55699 | Tubb | 31.195538 | -100.653457 | 9048 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 55762 | Tubb | 31.400269 | -100.498751 | 19000 | Alger Harrison |
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| 4331407 | | Tubb | 31.570000 | -100.230833 | 1448 | Measured |
| 4338910 | | Tubb | 31.383611 | -100.262223 | 2344 | Measured |
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| 4346208 | | Tubb | 31.373611 | -100.307223 | 1545 | Measured |
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| 4346208 | | Tubb | 31.373611 | -100.307223 | 1382 | Measured |
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| | 25746 | Choza | 31.767280 | -100.780087 | 5135 | Alger Harrison |
| | 26755 | Choza | 31.818349 | -101.168217 | 11176 | Alger Harrison |
| | 26819 | Choza | 31.736161 | -101.134080 | 10755 | Alger Harrison |
| | 27000 | Choza | 31.760639 | -101.168551 | 10755 | Alger Harrison |
| | 27024 | Choza | 31.764369 | -101.152701 | 19000 | Alger Harrison |
| | 27035 | Choza | 31.756725 | -101.145281 | 23750 | Alger Harrison |
| | 27113 | Choza | 31.812097 | -100.974954 | 12391 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 27383 | Choza | 31.710253 | -101.104552 | 7125 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 27440 | Choza | 31.608987 | -101.070468 | 11875 | Alger Harrison |
| | 27785 | Choza | 31.538677 | -101.157729 | 22564 | Alger Harrison |
| | 27959 | Choza | 31.794067 | -101.207502 | 15833 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 28603 | Choza | 31.422247 | -100.917424 | 16765 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 29166 | Choza | 31.738238 | -101.052882 | 15000 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 30878 | Choza | 31.968134 | -100.985169 | 15172 | Alger Harrison |
| | 32361 | Choza | 31.426817 | -100.913211 | 12667 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 35049 | Choza | 31.437403 | -100.840957 | 8769 | Alger Harrison |
| | 35563 | Choza | 31.465803 | -100.589194 | 12955 | Alger Harrison |
| | 35809 | Choza | 31.923467 | -100.874297 | 7308 | Alger Harrison |
| 4343601 | 37961 | Choza | 31.296855 | -100.641823 | 7808 | Alger Harrison |
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| 4320105 | 53709 | Choza | 31.720326 | -100.614950 | 11633 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 55711 | Choza | 31.130599 | -100.620426 | 21923 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 55730 | Choza | 32.000690 | -101.215894 | 51818 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 55756 | Choza | 31.599846 | -100.496584 | 5500 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 55797 | Choza | 31.246397 | -100.649597 | 14250 | Alger Harrison |
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| 4338703 | | Choza | 31.414444 | -100.334444 | 2129 | Measured |
| 4338305 | | Choza | 31.491666 | -100.287777 | 2465 | Measured |
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| | 55159 | Choza | 31.526000 | -100.410000 | 2948 | Measured |
| | 55160 | Choza | 31.393000 | -100.383000 | 1741 | Measured |
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| | 55165 | Choza | 31.346000 | -100.426000 | 1320 | Measured |
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| | 55167 | Choza | 31.374000 | -100.433000 | 2423 | Measured |
| | 55168 | Choza | 31.384000 | -100.432000 | 3694 | Measured |
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| | 55174 | Choza | 31.375000 | -100.473000 | 4207 | Measured |
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| 4330702 | | Choza | 31.534445 | -100.350278 | 676 | Measured |
| 4331104 | | Choza | 31.610556 | -100.247222 | 502 | Measured |
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| 4331408 | | Choza | 31.576111 | -100.238056 | 1665 | Measured |
| 4337209 | | Choza | 31.458889 | -100.426944 | 1932 | Measured |
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| 4337910 | | Choza | 31.390834 | -100.379167 | 2069 | Measured |
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| 4338705 | | Choza | 31.382778 | -100.358889 | 1668 | Measured |
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| | 21326 | San Angelo | 31.440819 | -100.709463 | 16765 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 32793 | San Angelo | 31.351065 | -100.606029 | 16765 | Alger Harrison |
| | 32806 | San Angelo | 31.399977 | -100.684287 | 7808 | Alger Harrison |
| | 34825 | San Angelo | 31.641391 | -100.788573 | 7719 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 35344 | San Angelo | 31.821594 | -100.730633 | 43846 | Alger Harrison |
| | 35563 | San Angelo | 31.465803 | -100.589194 | 15833 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 47858 | San Angelo | 31.503295 | -100.697688 | 19000 | Alger Harrison |
| 4329301 | 51781 | San Angelo | 31.622197 | -100.413971 | 4750 | Alger Harrison |
| 4352407 | 51891 | San Angelo | 31.195660 | -100.590356 | 7500 | Alger Harrison |
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| 4302903 | 53737 | San Angelo | 31.891535 | -100.785607 | 51818 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 55797 | San Angelo | 31.246397 | -100.649597 | 15405 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 51449 | San Angelo | 31.239721 | -100.612222 | 7637 | Measured |
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| 4344301 | | San Angelo | 31.371667 | -100.512223 | 2154 | Measured |
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| | 21337 | Queen | 31.215104 | -100.690742 | 3677 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 32053 | Queen | 31.607063 | -100.726051 | 16286 | Alger Harrison |
| | 32361 | Queen | 31.426817 | -100.913211 | 9661 | Alger Harrison |
| | 32461 | Queen | 31.431536 | -101.006333 | 8261 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 32806 | Queen | 31.399977 | -100.684287 | 10755 | Alger Harrison |

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| | 34828 | Queen | 31.605382 | -100.762362 | 9828 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 47947 | Queen | 31.336231 | -100.717167 | 7600 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 55267 | Queen | 31.521707 | -100.687579 | 7215 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 55797 | Queen | 31.246397 | -100.649597 | 13902 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55822 | Queen | 31.976691 | -101.229964 | 24783 | Alger Harrison |
| 2862707 | 17558 | Seven Rivers | 32.017239 | -101.364117 | 5588 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 21337 | Seven Rivers | 31.215104 | -100.690742 | 3631 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 32053 | Seven Rivers | 31.607063 | -100.726051 | 16286 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 34828 | Seven Rivers | 31.605382 | -100.762362 | 10556 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 47947 | Seven Rivers | 31.336231 | -100.717167 | 5000 | Alger Harrison |
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| 4352407 | 51891 | Seven Rivers | 31.195660 | -100.590356 | 3725 | Alger Harrison |
| 4310503 | 53730 | Seven Rivers | 31.800084 | -100.796123 | 19655 | Alger Harrison |
| 4310305 | 53734 | Seven Rivers | 31.836250 | -100.764699 | 27143 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 55267 | Seven Rivers | 31.521707 | -100.687579 | 8382 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55267 | Seven Rivers | 31.521707 | -100.687579 | 7500 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55686 | Seven Rivers | 31.763053 | -100.857990 | 11875 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55699 | Seven Rivers | 31.195538 | -100.653457 | 2984 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55730 | Seven Rivers | 32.000690 | -101.215894 | 43846 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55797 | Seven Rivers | 31.246397 | -100.649597 | 10556 | Alger Harrison |
| | 55822 | Seven Rivers | 31.976691 | -101.229964 | 21111 | Alger Harrison |
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| 4327302 | | Seven Rivers | 31.610277 | -100.659722 | 597 | Measured |
| 4327313 | | Seven Rivers | 31.593055 | -100.656388 | 614 | Measured |
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| | 55178 | Seven Rivers | 31.358000 | -100.609000 | 6492 | Measured |
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| 4327309 | | Seven Rivers | 31.613334 | -100.660556 | 725 | Measured |
| 4336701 | | Seven Rivers | 31.411112 | -100.604445 | 984 | Measured |
| 4336701 | | Seven Rivers | 31.411112 | -100.604445 | 835 | Measured |
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| | 27113 | Yates | 31.812097 | -100.974954 | 22800 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 27437 | Yates | 32.025389 | -101.193241 | 24783 | Alger Harrison |
| | 27440 | Yates | 31.608987 | -101.070468 | 6477 | Alger Harrison |
| | 27447 | Yates | 31.705179 | -101.036072 | 10179 | Alger Harrison |
| | 32053 | Yates | 31.607063 | -100.726051 | 14250 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 34828 | Yates | 31.605382 | -100.762362 | 5044 | Alger Harrison |
| | 35344 | Yates | 31.821594 | -100.730633 | 14615 | Alger Harrison |
| | 35344 | Yates | 31.821594 | -100.730633 | 21111 | Alger Harrison |
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| | 35809 | Yates | 31.923467 | -100.874297 | 5377 | Alger Harrison |
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| 4319701 | | Yates | 31.659444 | -100.710277 | 1450 | Measured |
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| 4319701 | | Yates | 31.659444 | -100.710277 | 1082 | Measured |
| 4319701 | | Yates | 31.659444 | -100.710277 | 1124 | Measured |
| 4319702 | | Yates | 31.658889 | -100.710001 | 1588 | Measured |
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Notes: TDS = total dissolved solids; mg/L = milligrams per liter.