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## Hydrogeology / Geochemistry

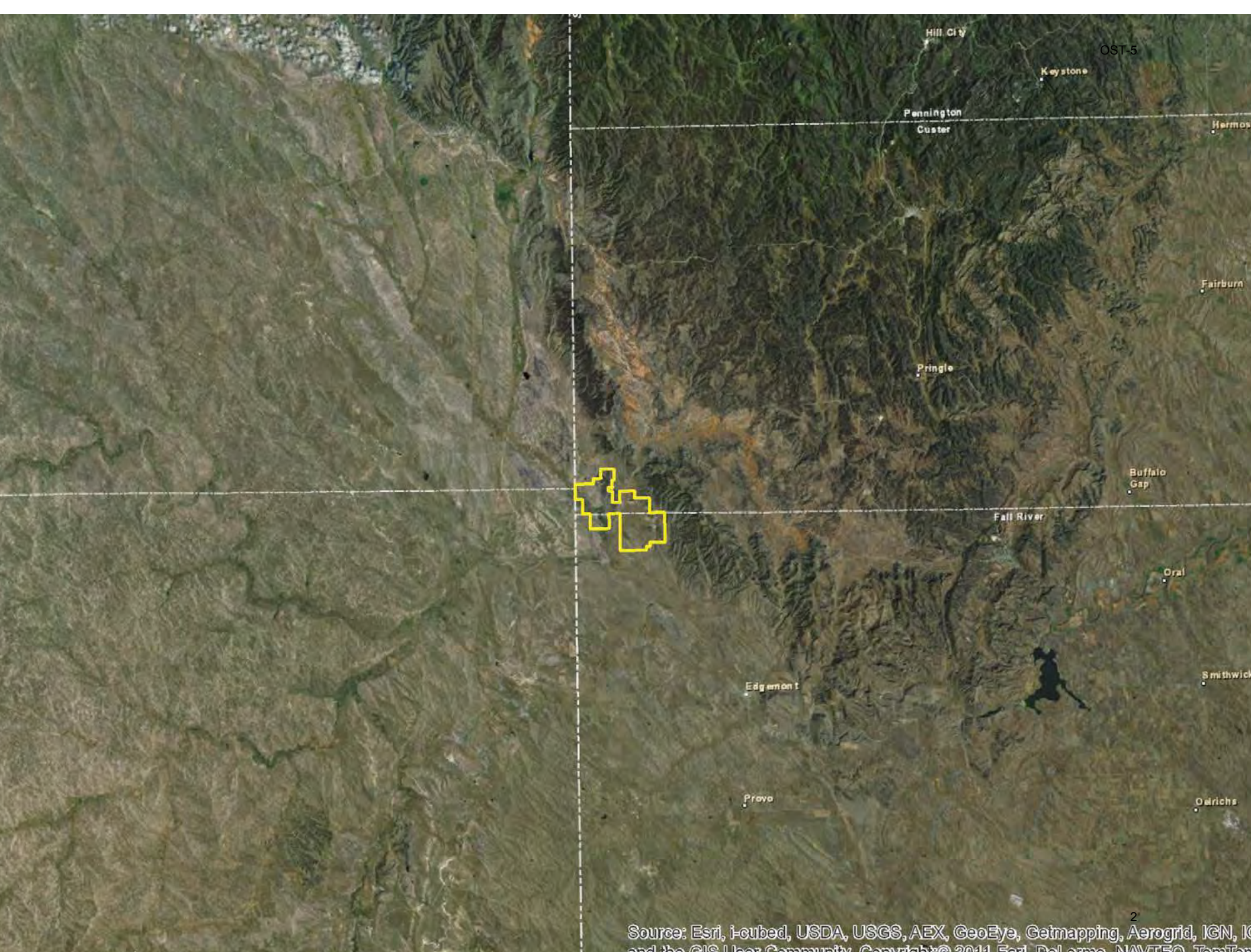
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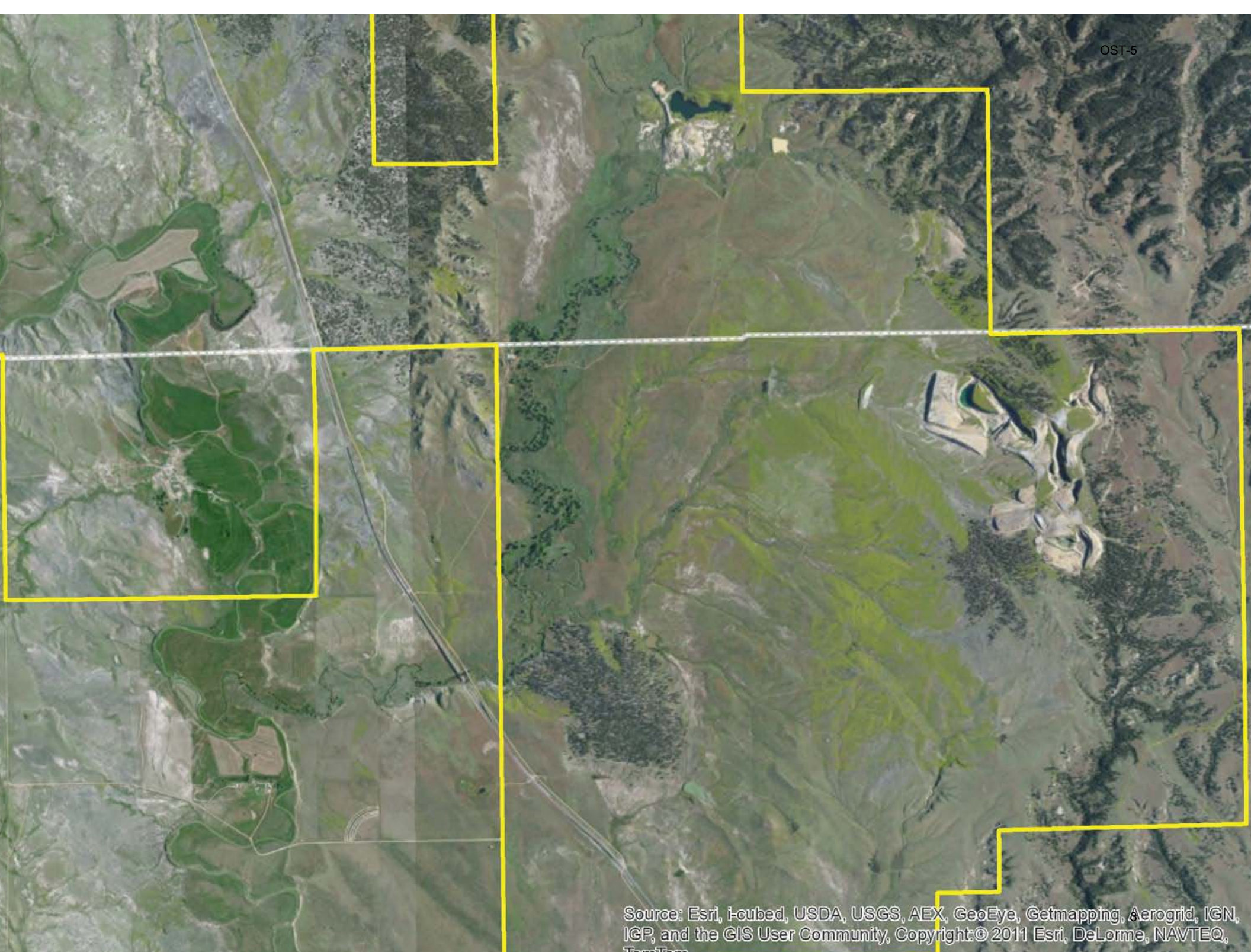
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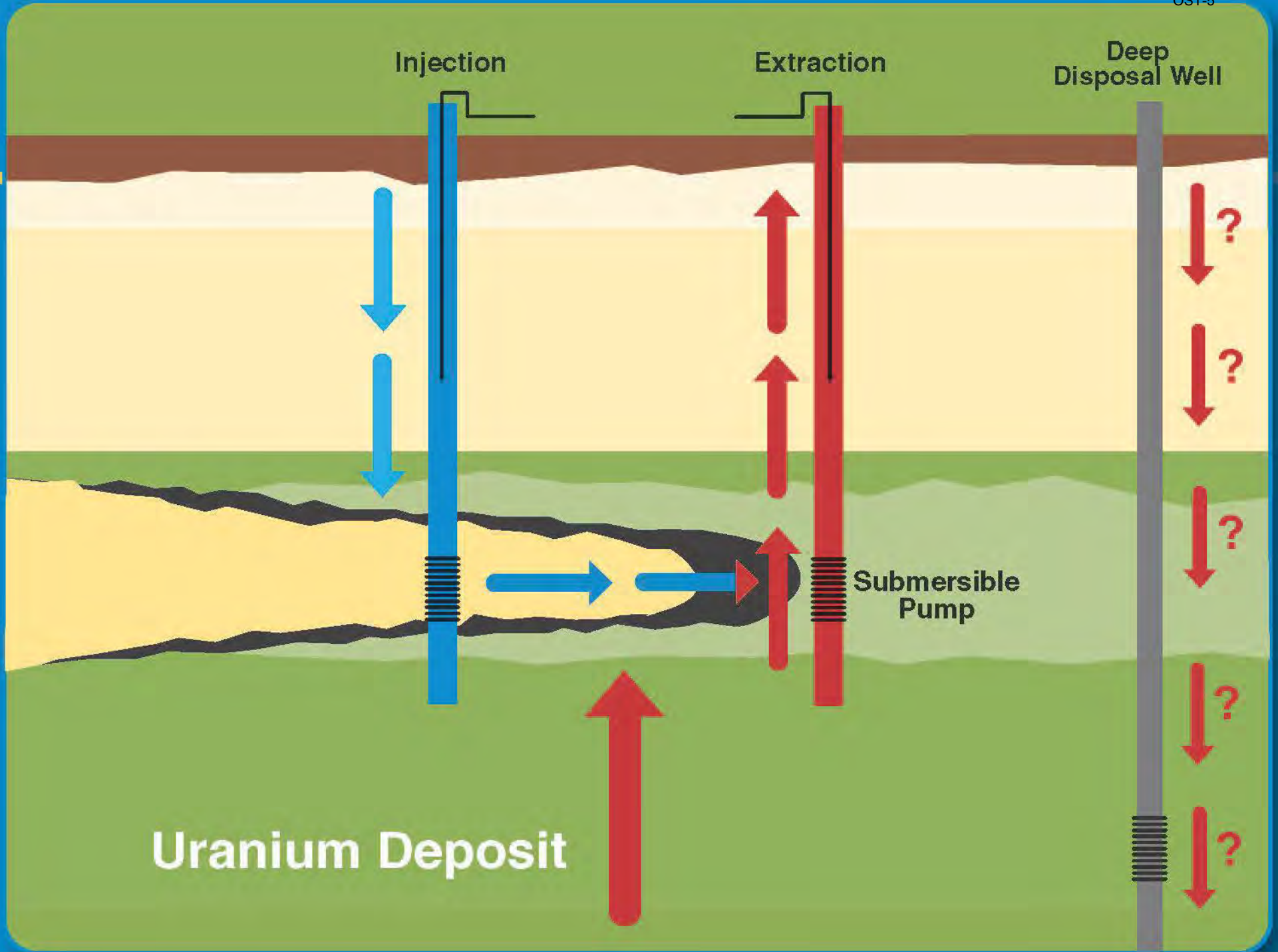
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In the Matter of:  UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION	ASLBP #: 10-898-02-MLA-BD01 Docket #: 04009075 Exhibit #: OST-005-00-BD01 Admitted: 8/19/2014 Rejected: Other:
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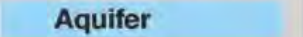


ERATHEM	SYSTEM	ABBREVIATION FOR STRATIGRAPHIC INTERVAL	STRATIGRAPHIC UNIT	THICKNESS IN FEET	DESCRIPTION		
CENOZOIC	QUATERNARY & TERTIARY (?)	QTac	UNDIFFERENTIATED ALLUVIUM AND COLLUVIUM	0 - 50	Sand, gravel, boulder and clay.		
		Tw	WHITE RIVER GROUP	0 - 300	Light colored clays with sandstone channel fillings and local limestone lenses.		
	TERTIARY	Tui	INTRUSIVE IGNEOUS ROCKS	-	Included rhyolite, latite, trachyte and phonolite.		
MESOZOIC	CRETACEOUS	Kps	PIERRE SHALE	1,200 - 2,700	Principal horizon of limestone lenses giving teepee buttes. Dark-gray shale containing scattered concretions. Widely scattered limestone masses giving small teepee buttes. Black fissile shale with concretions.		
			NIOBRARA FORMATION	80 - 300 §	Impure chalk and calcareous shale.		
			CARLILE SHALE	Turner Sandy Member Wall Creek Member	350 - 750 §	Light-gray shale with numerous large concretions and sandy layers. Dark-gray shale.	
			GREENHORN FORMATION	225 - 380	Impure slabby limestone. Weathers buff. Dark-gray calcareous shale with thin Oman Lake limestone at base.		
		GRANEROS GROUP	BELLE FOURCHE SHALE	150 - 850	Gray shale with scattered limestone concretions. Clay spur bentonite at base.		
			MOWRY SHALE	125 - 230	Light-gray siliceous shale. Fish scales and thin layers of bentonite.		
			MUDDY SANDSTONE	NEWCASTLE SANDSTONE	0 - 150	Brown to light-yellow and white sandstone.	
			SKULL CREEK SHALE	150 - 270	Dark-gray to black siliceous shale.		
		Kik	TIVAN KARA GROUP	FALL RIVER FORMATION	10 - 200	Massive to thin-bedded, brown to reddish-brown sandstone.	
				LAKOTA FORMATION	Fuson Shale Minnewaste Limestone Chilson Member	10 - 190 0 - 25 25 - 485	Yellow, brown and reddish brown massive to thinly bedded sandstone, pebble conglomerate, siltstone and claystone. Local fine-grained limestone and coal.
		JURASSIC	Ju	MORRISON FORMATION	0 - 220	Green to maroon shale. Thin sandstone.	
				UNKPAPA SANDSTONE	0 - 225	Massive fine-grained sandstone.	
				SUNDANCE FORMATION	Redwater Member Lak Member Hulett Member Stockade Beaver Member Canyon Spr Member	250 - 450	Greenish-gray shale, thin limestone lenses. Glauconitic sandstone, red sandstone near middle.
				GYPSUM SPRING FORMATION	0 - 45	Red siltstone, gypsum and limestone.	
TRIASSIC	ŕPs	SPEARFISH FORMATION	Goose Egg Equivalent	375 - 800	Red silty shale, soft red sandstone and siltstone with gypsum and thin limestone layers. Gypsum locally near the base.		
PALEOZOIC	PERMIAN	Pmk	MINNEKAHTA LIMESTONE	25 - 65 §	Thin to medium-bedded, fine-grained, purplish gray laminated limestone.		
		Po	OPECHE SHALE	25 - 150 §	Red shale and sandstone.		
		PIPm	MINNELUSA FORMATION	375 - 1,175 §	Yellow to red cross-bedded sandstone, limestone and anhydrite locally at top. Interbedded sandstone, limestone, dolomite, shale and anhydrite. Red shale with interbedded limestone and sandstone at base.		
	MISSISSIPPIAN	MDme	MADISON (PAHASAPA) LIMESTONE	< 200 - 1,000 §	Massive light-colored limestone. Dolomite in part. Cavemous in upper part.		
			ENGLEWOOD FORMATION	30 - 60	Pink to buff limestone. Shale locally at base.		
	DEVONIAN	Ou	WHITEWOOD (RED RIVER) FORMATION	0 - 235 §	Buff dolomite and limestone.		
			WINNIPEG FORMATION	0 - 150 §	Green shale with siltstone.		
	ORDOVIOAN	OEd	DEADWOOD FORMATION	0 - 500 §	Massive to thin-bedded buff to purple sandstone. Greenish glauconitic shale flaggy dolomite and flat-pebble limestone conglomerate. Sandstone with conglomerate locally at the base.		
CAMBRIAN	pEu	UNDIFFERENTIATED IGNEOUS AND METAMORPHIC ROCKS		Schist, slate, quartzite and arkosic grit. Intruded by diorite, metamorphosed to amphibolite, and by granite and pegmatite.			

Source: Driscoll et al. (2002)  
§ Modified based on drill-hole data

**KEY**

 **Proposed Injection Zone**

 **Aquifer**

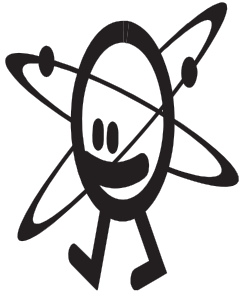
**Figure 3-2**

Stratigraphic Column of the Black Hills Area

Dewey-Burdock Project

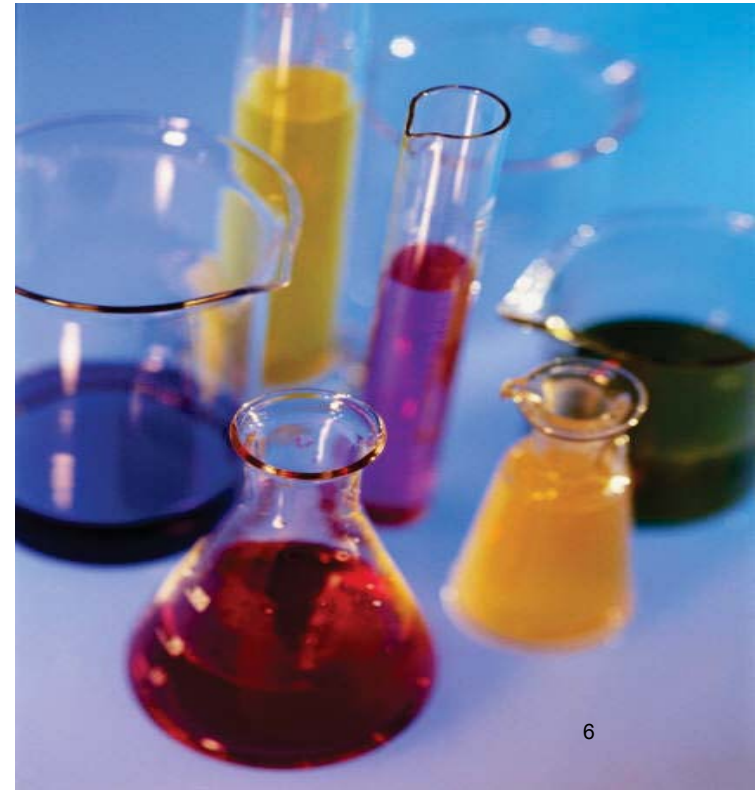
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Gaseous  $\text{CO}_2 + \text{O}_2 = \text{H}_2\text{CO}_3$

**$\text{H}_2\text{CO}_3 = \text{CARBONIC ACID}$**



**Table 5. Crow Butte (Nebraska) Mine Unit No. 1 Restoration Results (Crow Butte Resources, 2000b). All units in mg/L except for pH (standard units), radium (pCi/L), and specific conductivity (micromho/cm).**

Parameter	Baseline Water Quality	Post-Mining Average Water Quality	Post-Restoration Average Water Quality	Stabilization Period Average Water Quality
Alkalinity	293	875	321	347
Ammonium	0.37	0.277	0.08	0.12
Arsenic	0.002	0.021	0.024	0.017
Barium	0.1	<0.10	<0.10	<0.10
Bicarbonate	344	1068	392	421
Boron	0.93	1.22	0.4	0.46
Cadmium	0.006	<0.01	<0.005	<0.005
Calcium	12.5	88.7	16.0	19.9
Carbonate	7.2	0	<1.0	1.9
Chloride	204	583	124	139
Chromium	<0.03	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05
Copper	0.017	0.035	<0.01	<0.01
Fluoride	0.69	0.41	0.55	0.54
Iron	0.044	0.078	<0.05	0.09
Lead	0.031	<0.05	<0.05	<0.01
Magnesium	3.2	23	4.4	5.3
Manganese	0.11	0.075	0.01	0.02
Mercury	0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
Molybdenum	0.069	0.487	<0.10	0.10
Nickel	0.034	0.068	<0.05	<0.01
Nitrate	0.05	1.01	<0.10	<0.11
Nitrite	0.01	N/A	<0.10	<0.1
pH	8.5	7.35	7.95	8.18
Potassium	12.5	30.0	13.0	13.2
Radium-226	229.7	786	246.7	303
Selenium	0.003	0.124	0.001	<0.002
Silica	16.7	N/A	13.6	14.4
Sodium	412.2	1117	315	352
Specific Cond.	1947	5752	1620	1787
Sulfate	356.2	1128	287	331
TDS	1170.2	3728	967	1094
Uranium	0.092	12.2	0.963	1.73
Vanadium	0.066	0.96	0.26	0.11
Zinc	0.036	0.038	<0.01	<0.02

N/A means not available

*Land Application???*

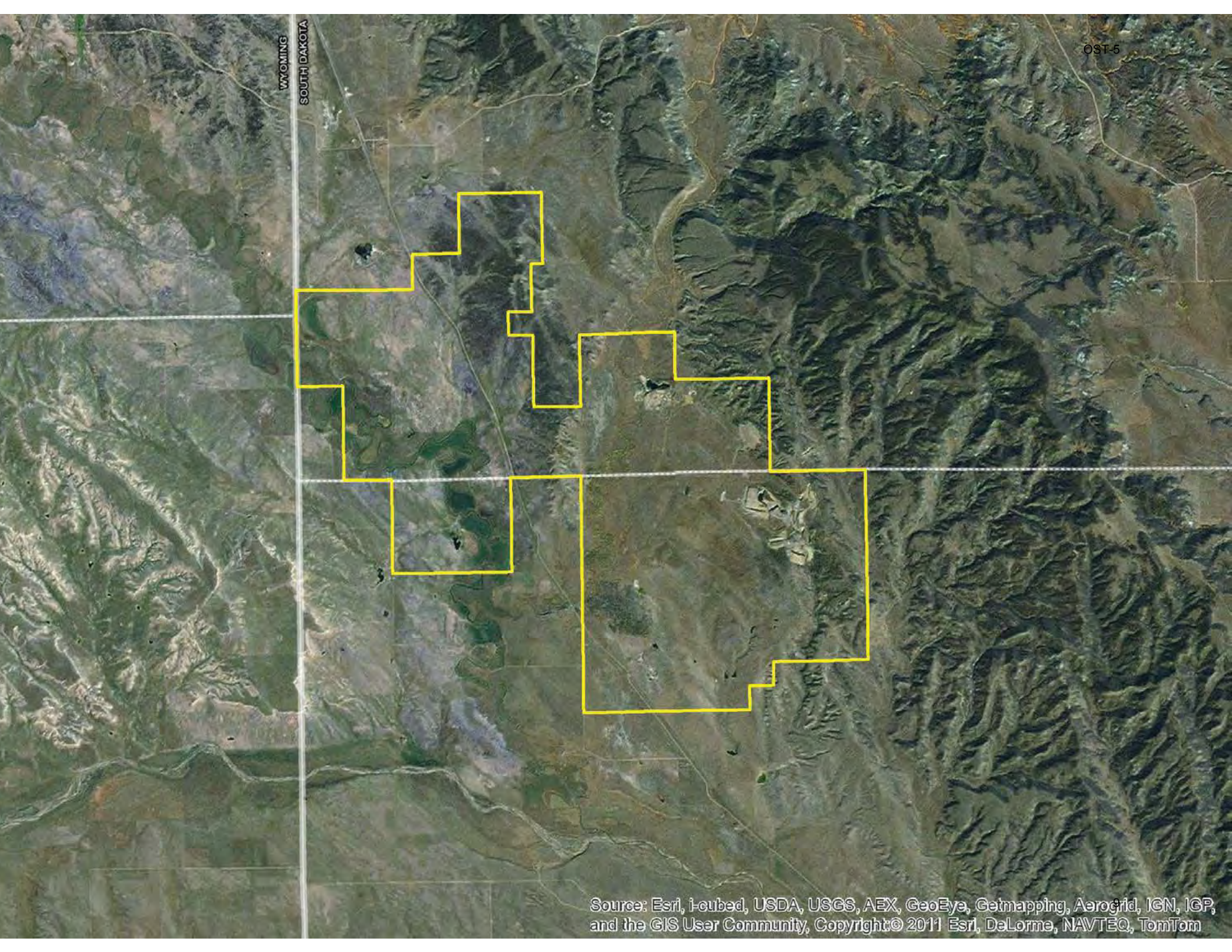


*Settling ponds???*



**NOBODY KNOWS. . .**





WYOMING  
SOUTH DAKOTA

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# All DB water-bearing zones OST-5

## Hydrogeologically-interconnected

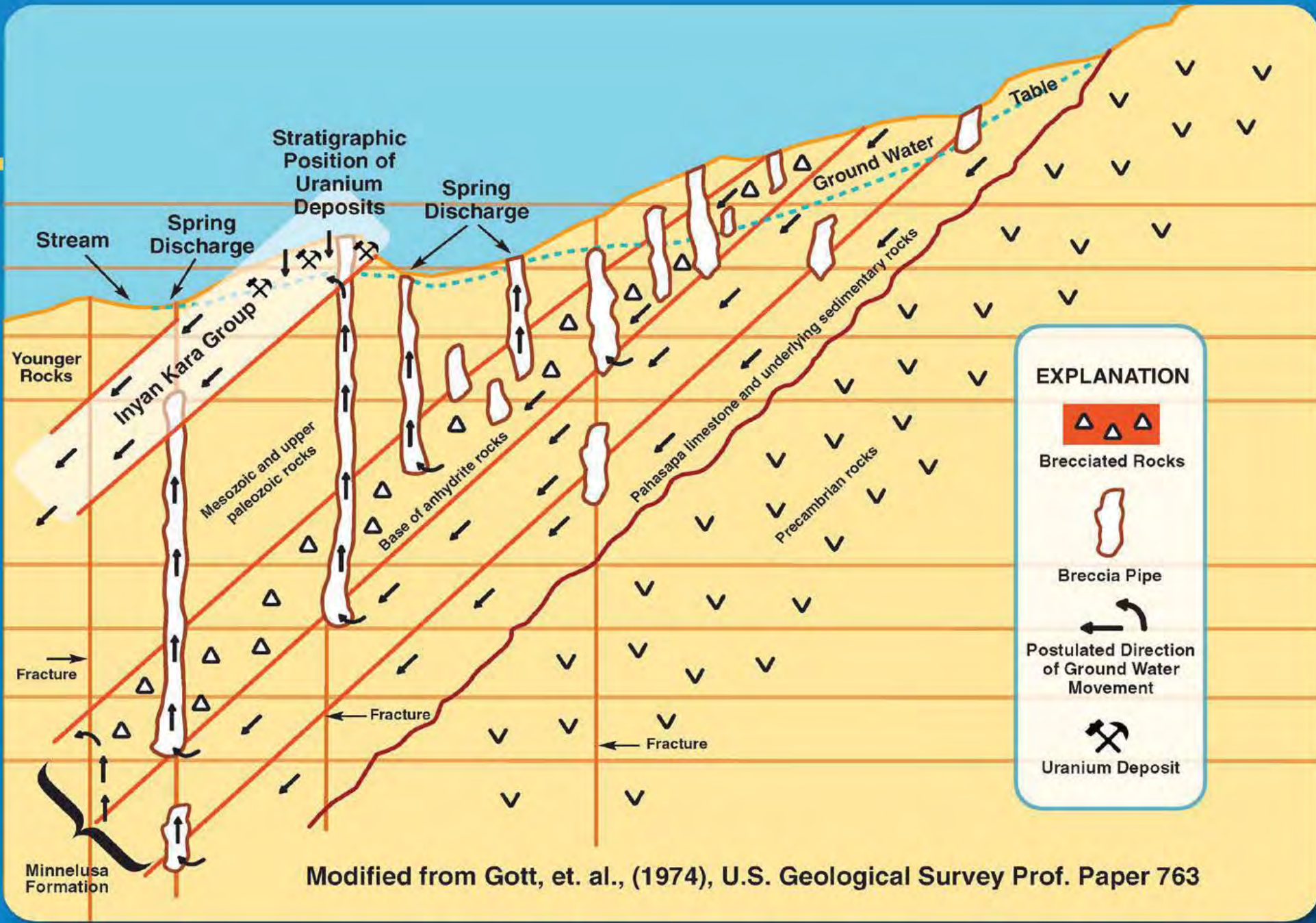
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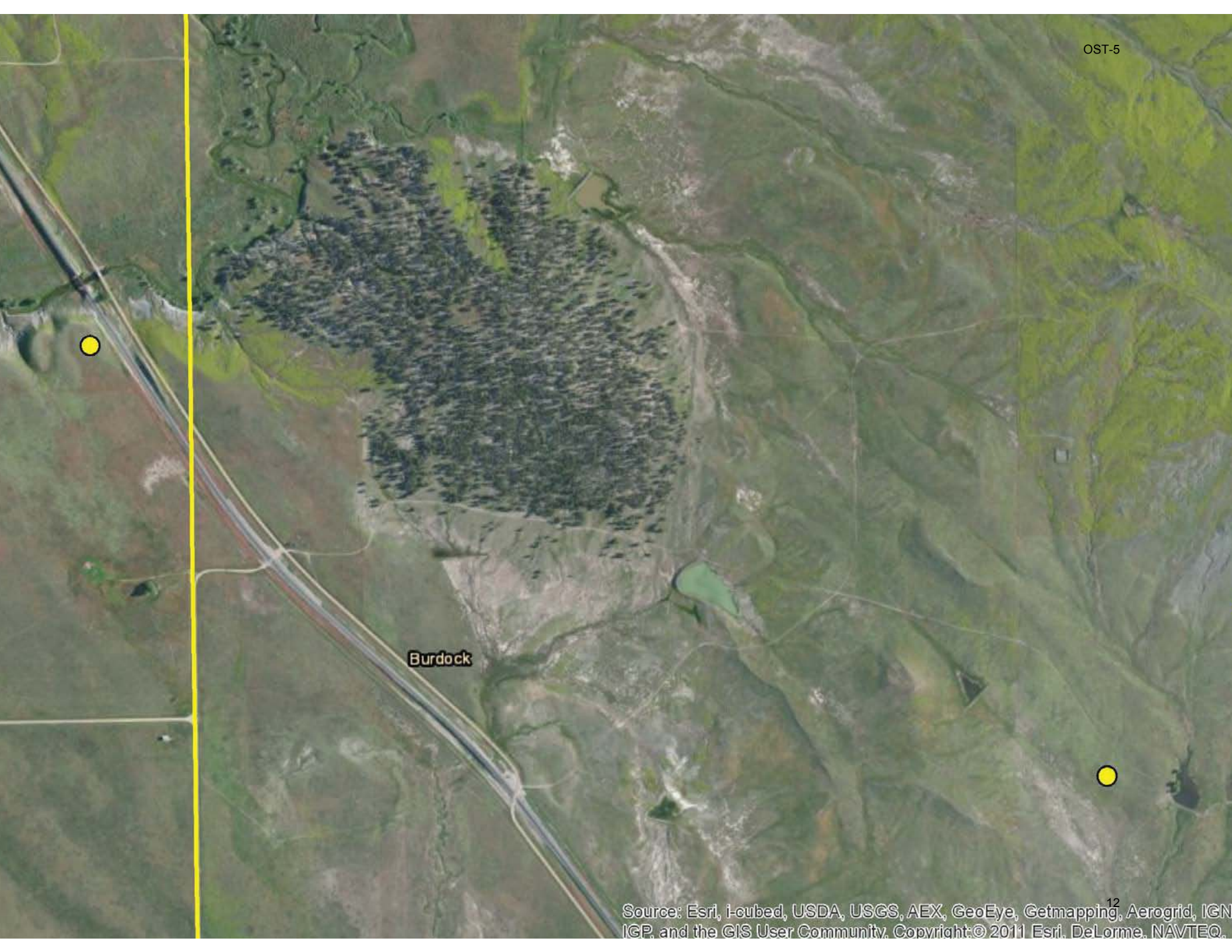
★ faults

★ breccia pipes

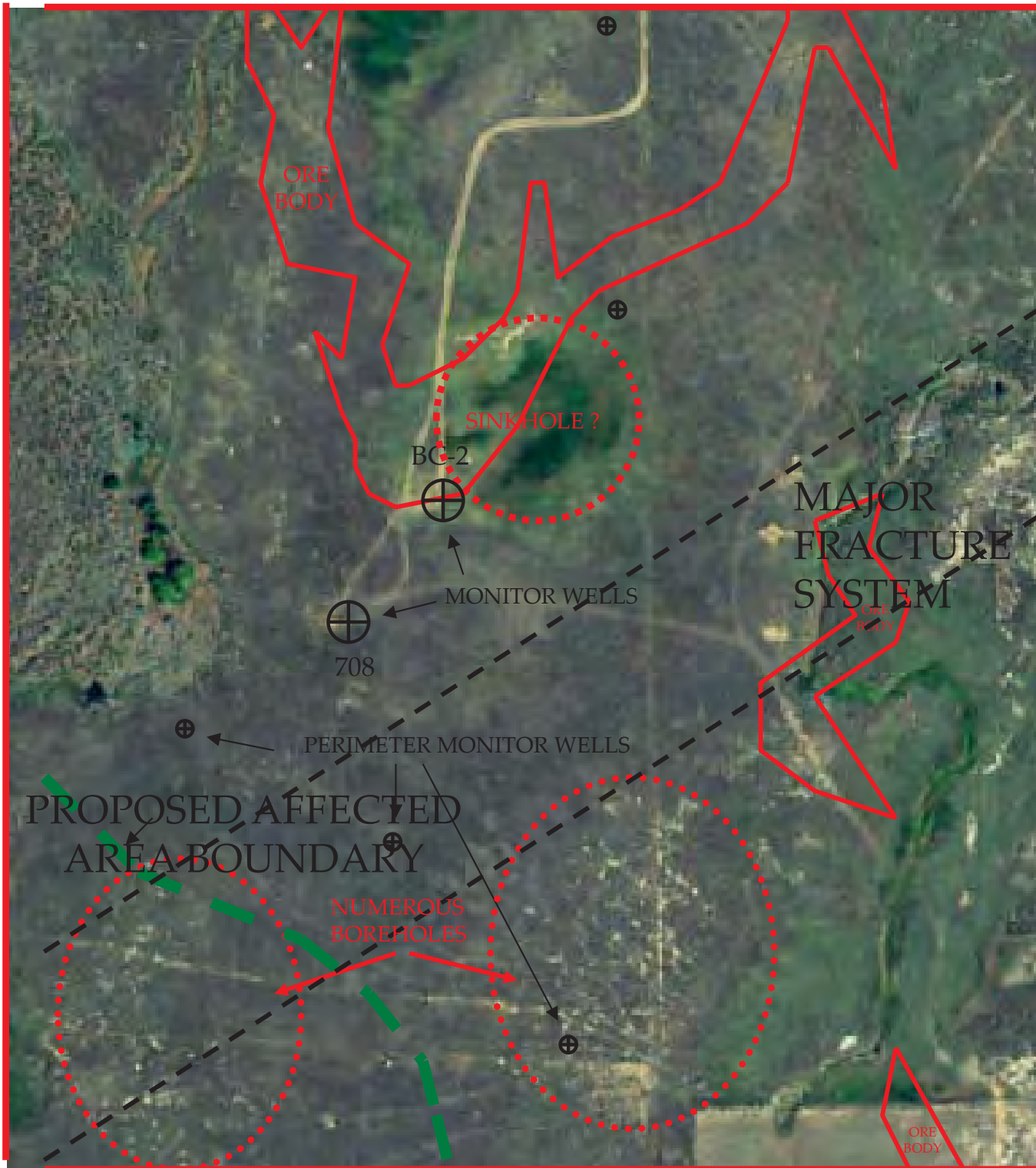
★ 4,000 to 6,000 boreholes



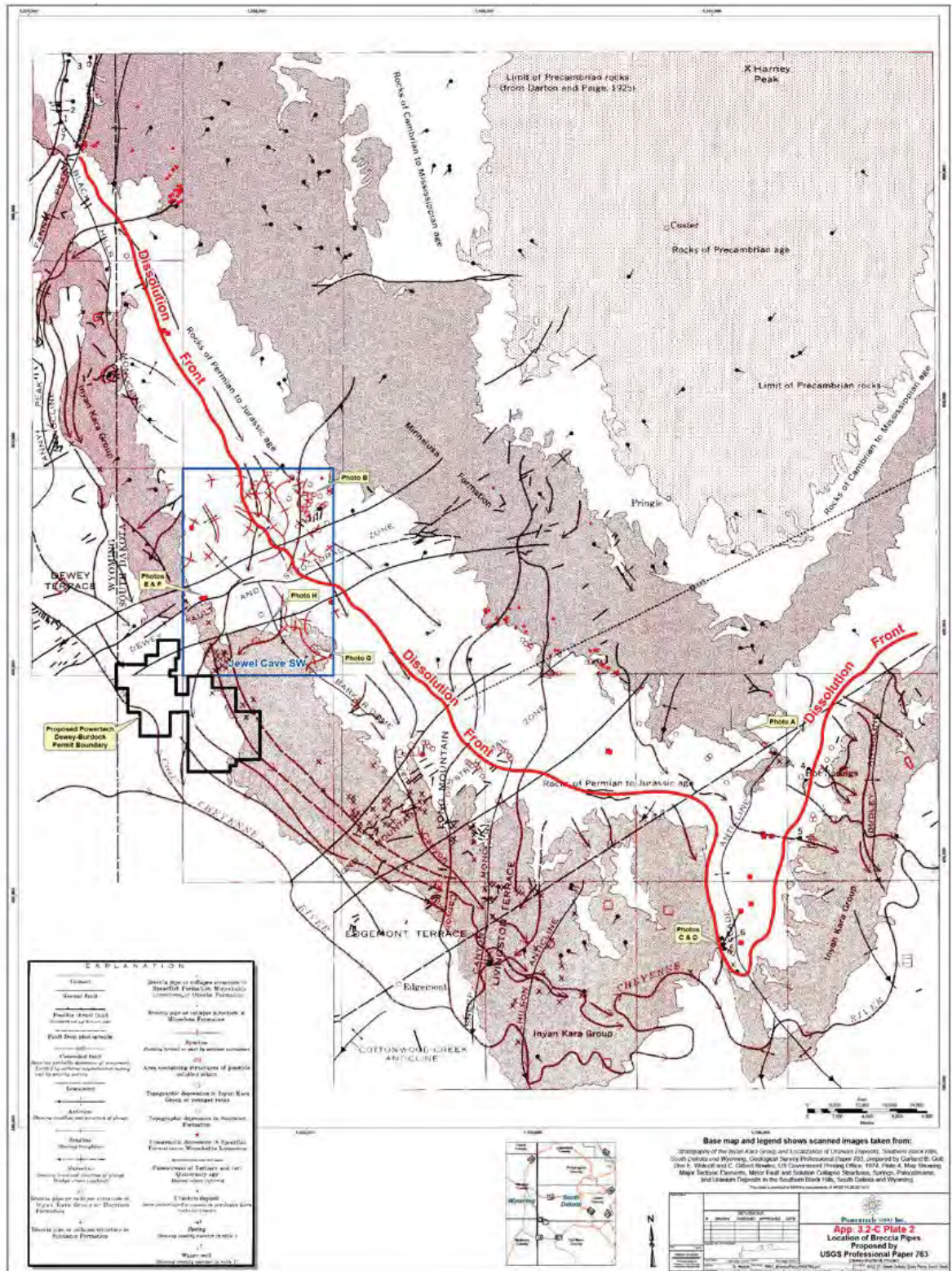
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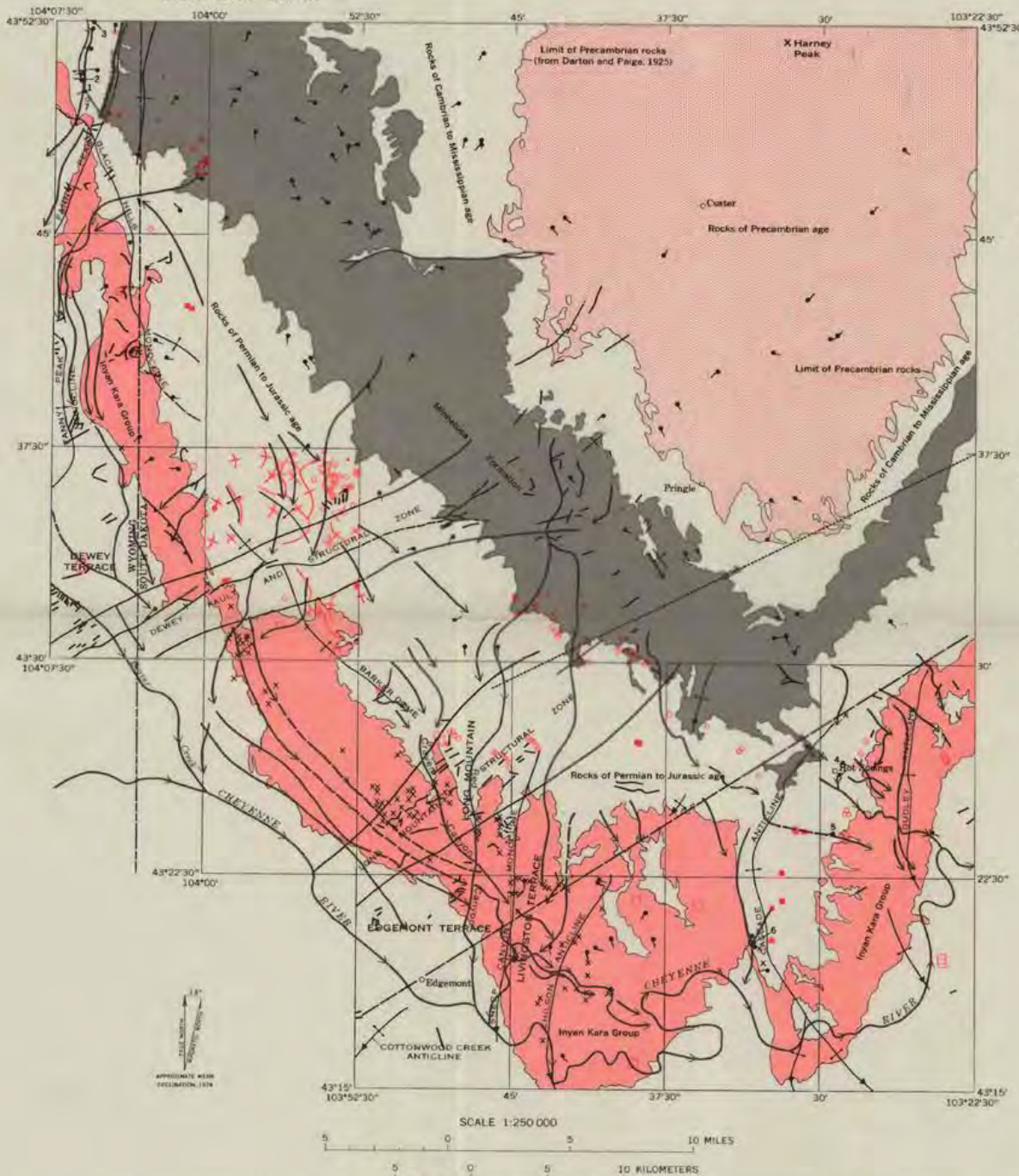
Burdock



**ZOOM 2  
AREA**



Powerline & Cable  
**App. 3.2-C Plate 2**  
 Location of Breccia Pipes  
 Proposed by  
 USGS Professional Paper 783



**EXPLANATION**

	Contact		Breccia pipe or collapse structure in Spearfish Formation, Minnekahta Limestone, or Opeche Formation
	Normal fault		Breccia pipe or collapse structure in Minnelusa Formation
	Possible thrust fault <i>Sawtooth on upthrown side</i>		Syncline <i>Possibly formed in part by solution subsidence</i>
	Fault from photographs		Area containing structures of possible solution origin
	Concealed fault <i>Showing probable direction of movement. Located by airborne magnetometer survey and by gravity survey</i>		Topographic depression in Inyan Kara Group or younger rocks
	Lineament		Topographic depression in Sundance Formation
	Anticline <i>Showing crestline and direction of plunge</i>		Topographic depression in Spearfish Formation or Minnekahta Limestone
	Syncline <i>Showing troughline</i>		Paleostream of Tertiary and (or) Quaternary age <i>Dashed where inferred</i>
	Monocline <i>Showing trace and direction of plunge. Dashed where indefinite</i>		Uranium deposit <i>Some undeveloped prospects in pre-Inyan Kara rocks also shown</i>
	Breccia pipe or collapse structure in Inyan Kara Group or Morrison Formation		Spring <i>Showing locality number in table 9</i>
	Breccia pipe or collapse structure in Sundance Formation		Water well <i>Showing locality number in table 11</i>

4	3			
5	2			
6	7	1		
8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	

**INDEX TO SOURCES OF GEOLOGIC DATA**  
References are listed in text. Springs located from U.S. Geological Survey topographic maps. Solution collapse structures not mapped in some areas. Uranium deposits shown on geologic maps referenced below.

1. Bowles and Braddock (1963)
2. Redden (1963, pl. 21)
3. Darton and Paige (1925)
4. Brolet and Epstein (1963, pl. 25)
5. Cupples (1963, pl. 23)
6. Brolet (1961, pl. 5)
7. Braddock (1963, pl. 20)
8. Schnabel (1963, pl. 17)
9. Gott and Schnabel (1963, pl. 12)
10. V. R. Wilmarth, U.S. Geol. Survey unpub. data
11. Wolcott, Bowles, Brolet, and Post (1962)
12. Wolcott (1967, pl. 28)
13. Ryan (1964, pl. 27)
14. Bell and Post (1971, pl. 32)
15. Post (1967, pl. 29)
6. Connor (1963, pl. 11)

**MAP SHOWING MAJOR TECTONIC ELEMENTS, MINOR FAULT AND SOLUTION COLLAPSE STRUCTURES, SPRINGS, PALEOSTREAMS, AND URANIUM DEPOSITS IN THE SOUTHERN BLACK HILLS, SOUTH DAKOTA AND WYOMING**

# Water Use Comparisons

- Rapid City:
  - Average Use approx. 7 M gpd (2012)
- Rapid Valley:
  - Avg. Use approx. 12.1 M gpd (2012)
- D-B usage @ 8500 gpm  
**= 12,240,000 gpd**





## Madison Application:

**289.6 Million gallons per year**

## Inyan Kara Application:

**Gross withdrawal rate of up to 8,500 gpm**

**@ 8500 gpm = 12,240,000 gpd**

**= 4.5 Billion gallons per year**

**= 89.4 Billion gallons over 20 years**

# Water quality will be degraded



including Madison Water  
and waste receiving aquifers



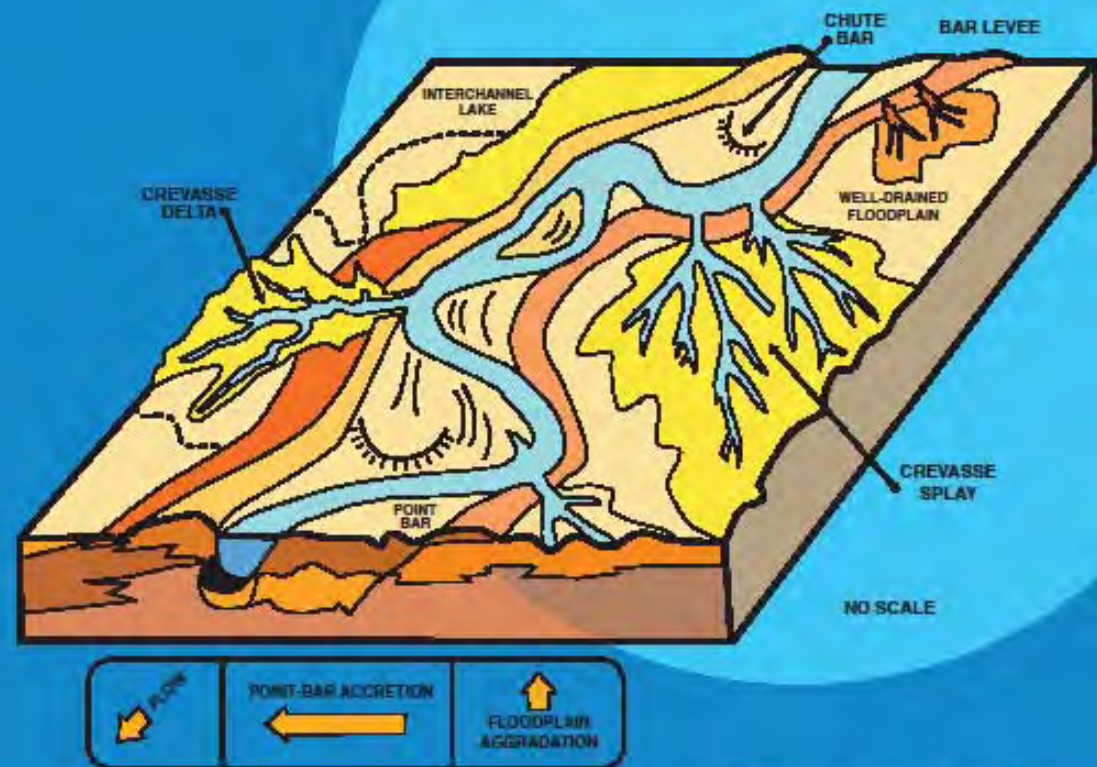


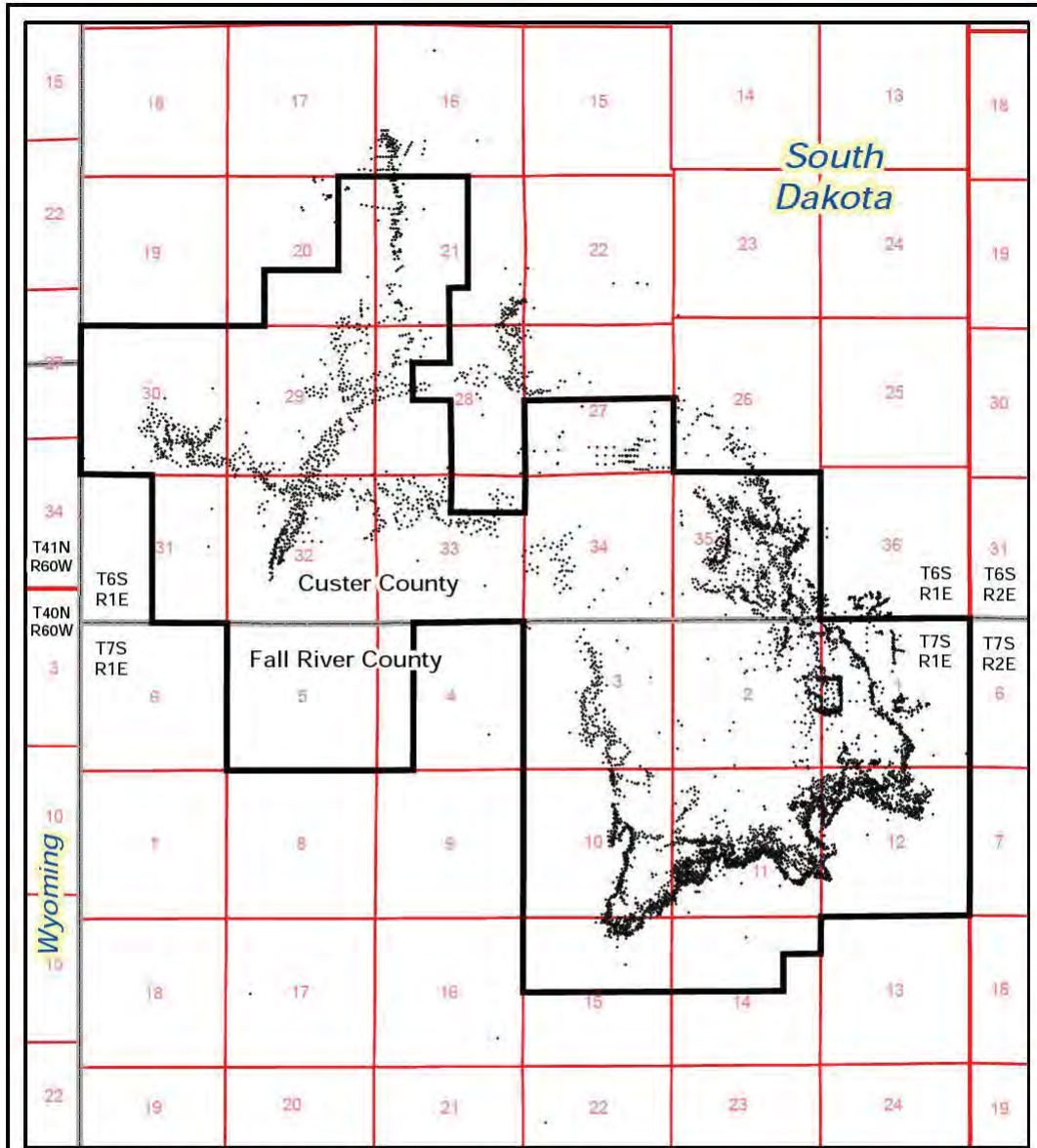
# 1. Hydrogeological Characterization

## Inyan Kara Group

- ▶ Fall River, Fuson, Lakota members
- ▶ Interbedded sandstone, siltstone, and mudstone
- ▶ Alluvial, deltaic marginal marine
- ▶ Dips 5-10 degrees, SW
- ▶ Depth 0 to >500 ft.
- ▶ Overlain by Cretaceous Shales (0-500+ ft.)
- ▶ Underlain by Morrison Fm Shale (50-100 ft.)

*Modified from RESPEC/Hocking Presentation, March 18-19, 2009, Pierre, SD*

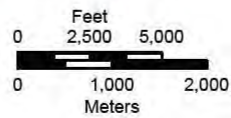




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**Legend**

- Permit Boundary
- Drill Hole Locations



**Figure 3.2-7**

**Dewey-Burdock Drill Hole Map**

Dewey-Burdock Project

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# LAND APPLICATION OPTION

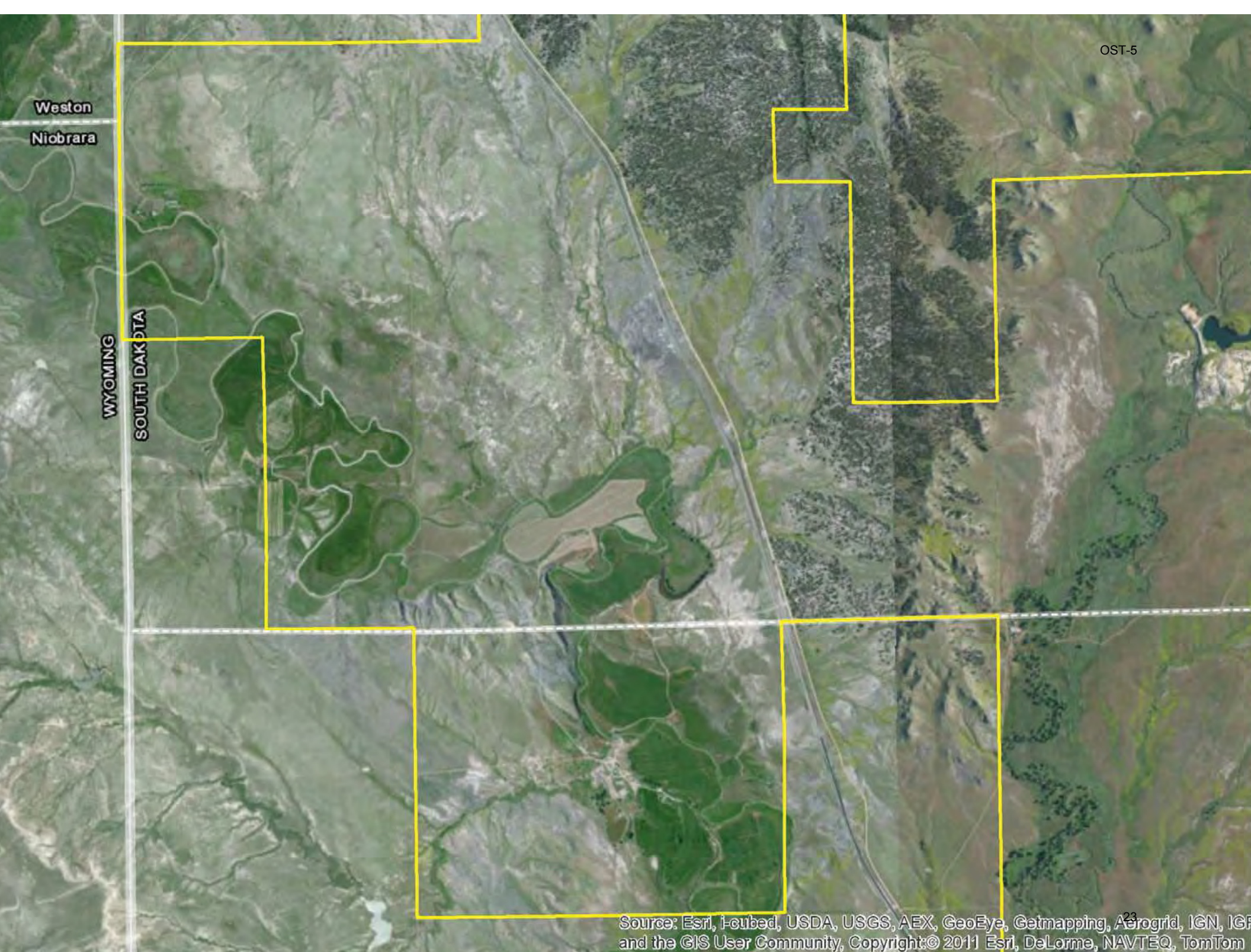
**Total D-B Land Application Volumes:**

**325,900,000 gallons per yr.**

**= 325.9 Million gallons per  
year. [GDP, p.128, 130]**

Weston  
Niobrara

WYOMING  
SOUTH DAKOTA



Parameter	Units	U.S.A. (EPA)			Canada					South Dakota			
		Drinking Water Standard <sup>5</sup>	Fresh Water Aquatic Life Acute Guideline <sup>1</sup>	Fresh Water Aquatic Life Chronic Guideline <sup>1</sup>	Drinking Water Guideline <sup>3</sup>	Irrigation Guideline <sup>2</sup>	Livestock Guideline <sup>2</sup>	Fresh Water Aquatic Life Acute Guideline <sup>4, 6</sup>	Fresh Water Aquatic Life Chronic Guideline <sup>4, 6</sup>	Drinking Water Standard	Agricultural	Fresh Water Aquatic Life Acute Guideline	Fresh Water Aquatic Life Chronic Guideline
pH	Units	6.5-8.5 <sup>7</sup>		6.5-9	6.5-8.5				6.5-9.0	6.5-8.5 <sup>2</sup>			
Alpha, Gross		15 pCi/L			0.5 Bq/L								
Beta, Gross		4 mrem/yr			1.0 Bq/L								
Aluminum	µg/l	50-200 <sup>7</sup>	750	87	<100-200	5000	5000		5.0-100				
Ammonia (N)	mg/l		2.9 to 5.0	0.26-1.8					0.017-190 <sup>10</sup>				
Antimony	µg/l	6.0			6.0					5.6 <sup>1</sup>			
Arsenic	µg/l	10	340	150	10	100	25		5.0	10 <sup>3, 2</sup>			
Boron	mg/l				5.0	0.5-6.0	5.0	29	1.5				
Cadmium	µg/l	5.0	2.0	0.25	5.0	5.1	80		0.018 <sup>11</sup>	5.0 <sup>1</sup>		2.0	0.25
Chloride	mg/l	250 <sup>7</sup>	860	230	≤250 <sup>9</sup>	100-900		640	120	250 <sup>2</sup>		860	230
Chromium (tot)	µg/l	100	16-570	11-74	50	4.9-8.0	50		1.0-8.9	100 <sup>3</sup>		16-570	11-74
Chromium (hex)	µg/l		16	11		8.0	50		1.0			16	11
Chlorine	mg/l	4.0 <sup>13</sup>	0.019	0.011	See <sup>16</sup>			0.0005 <sup>1</sup> <sub>7</sub>		4.0 <sup>1</sup>		19	11
Copper	mg/l	1.0 <sup>7</sup> -1.3 <sup>8</sup>	0.013 <sup>12</sup>	0.009 <sup>12</sup>	≤1.0 <sup>9</sup>	0.2-1.0	0.5-5.0		0.002 <sup>11</sup>				
Cyanide (total)	µg/l		22	5.2	200					140 <sup>1</sup>		22	5.2
Cyanide (free)	µg/l	200							5.0	200 <sup>2, 3</sup>			

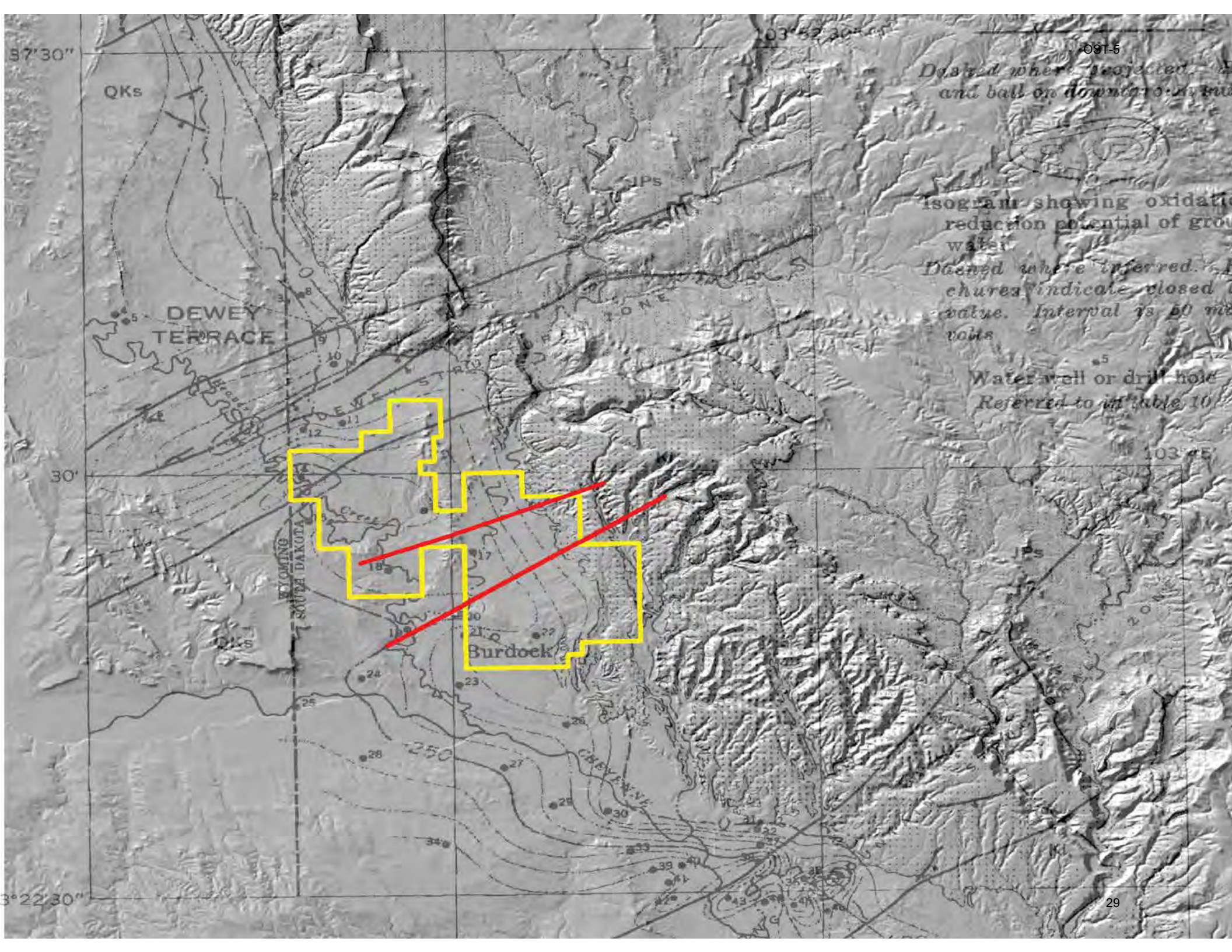


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Fecal Coliform	MP N/ 100 ml	See <sup>14</sup>				100				<2.2 <sup>2</sup>			
Tot. Coliform	MP N/ 100 ml	See <sup>15</sup>			0	1000				0 (MCLG) <sup>3</sup>			
Fluoride	mg/l	2.0 <sup>7</sup> -4.0			1.5	1.0	1.0-2.0		0.12	4.0 <sup>2, 3</sup>			
Iron	mg/l	0.3 <sup>7</sup>		1.0	≤0.3 <sup>9</sup>	5.0			0.3				
Lead	µg/l	15 <sup>8</sup>	65	2.5	10	200	100		1.0 <sup>11</sup>	15 <sup>1</sup>		65	2.5
Manganese	mg/l	0.05 <sup>7</sup>			≤0.05 <sup>9</sup>	0.2							
Mercury	µg/l	2.0	1.4	0.77	1.0		3.0		0.026	0.050 <sup>1</sup>		1.4	0.77
Molybdenum	mg/l					0.01-0.05	0.50		0.073				
Nickel	mg/l		0.47	0.052		0.2	1.0		0.025 <sup>11</sup>	610 µg/l <sup>1</sup>		470 µg/l	52 µg/l
Nitrate	mg/l	10			45; 10 as N		100	550	13	10			
Nitrite	mg/l	1.0			3.2; 1.0 as N <sup>9</sup>		10		0.060	1.0			
Phenols	mg/l						0.002		0.004	21,000 µg/l			
Radium	pCi/ L	5.0			0.5					5.0 <sup>2</sup>			
Selenium	mg/l	0.05		0.005	0.01	0.02-0.05	0.05		0.001	0.05 µg/l <sup>2</sup>		170 µg/l <sup>1</sup>	4.6 µg/l <sup>1</sup>
Silver	mg/l	0.10 <sup>7</sup>	0.0032						0.0001	0.10 <sup>2</sup>		3.2 µg/l <sup>1</sup>	
Sodium	mg/l				≤200 <sup>9</sup>								

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Sulfate	mg/l	250 <sup>7</sup>			≤500 <sup>9</sup>		1000			500 <sup>2</sup>			
Sulfide	mg/l			0.002	≤0.05 <sup>9</sup>								
TDS	mg/l	500 <sup>7</sup>	250	250	≤500 <sup>9</sup>	500-3500	3000			1,000 <sup>2</sup>			
Thallium	mg/l	0.002							0.0008	.24 µg/l <sup>1</sup>			
Turbidity	UNT	0.3-5.0 NTU			≤0.1-1.0 NTU <sup>9</sup>			8-80 NTU					
Uranium	µg/l	30			20	10	200	33	15	30 <sup>2</sup>			
Vanadium						0.1	0.1						
Zinc	mg/l	5 <sup>7</sup>	0.12	0.12	≤5.0 <sup>9</sup>	1.0-5.0	50		0.03	7400 µg/l <sup>1</sup>			







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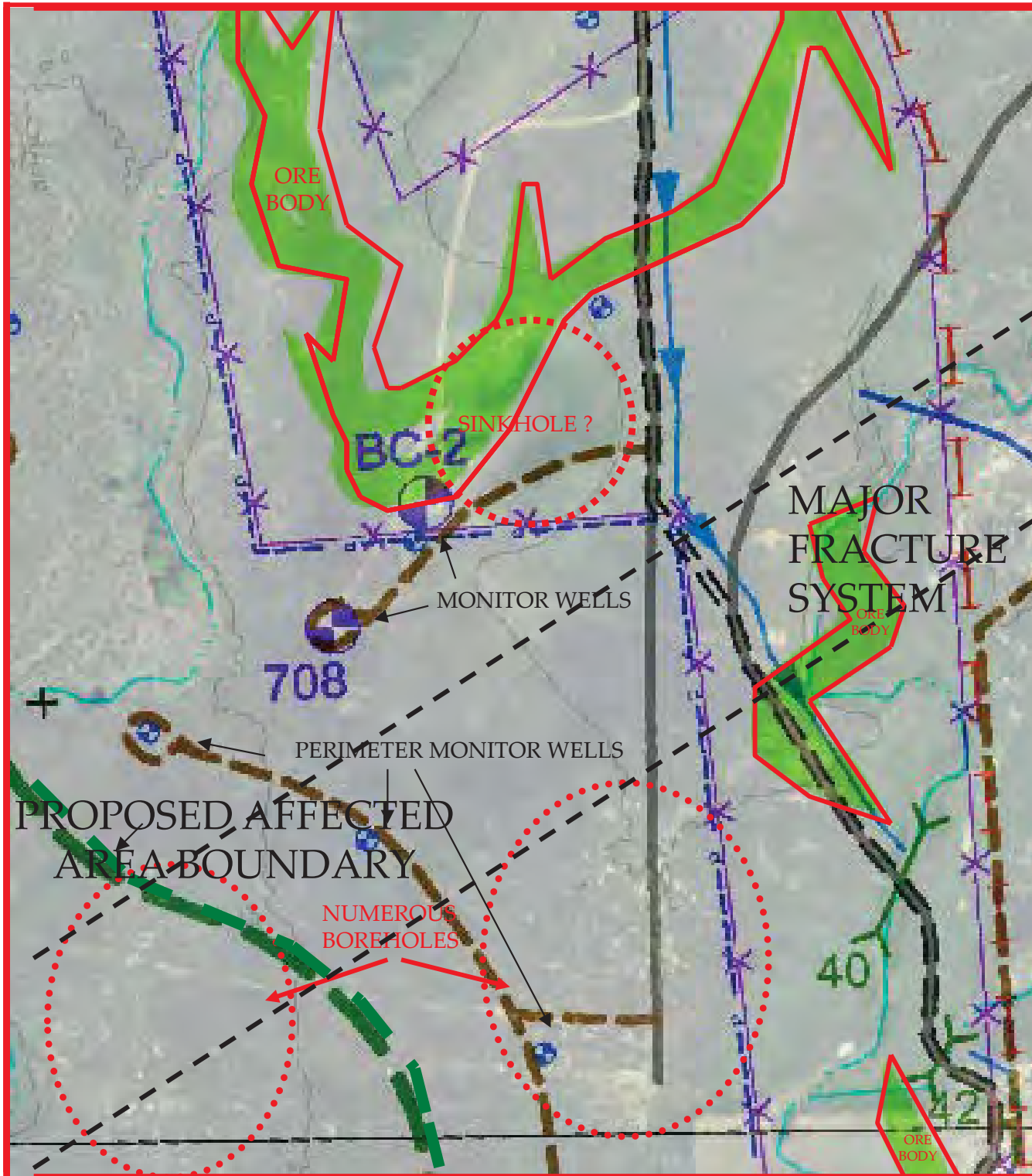
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isogram showing oxidation-reduction potential of groundwater

*Dashed where inferred, and  
chures indicate closed  
value. Interval is 50 mV*

Water well or drill hole  
*Referred to in table 10*

103°35'



**ZOOM 2  
AREA**

# Local Hydrostratigraphic Units: Dewey-Burdock Project Area

