



Analysis of the Goose Point area near Lacombe, LA, validates a new geophysical data type - natural sourced electromagnetism (NSEMTM) for detection of lineaments associated with faults and sedimentary features.

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Data and Theory

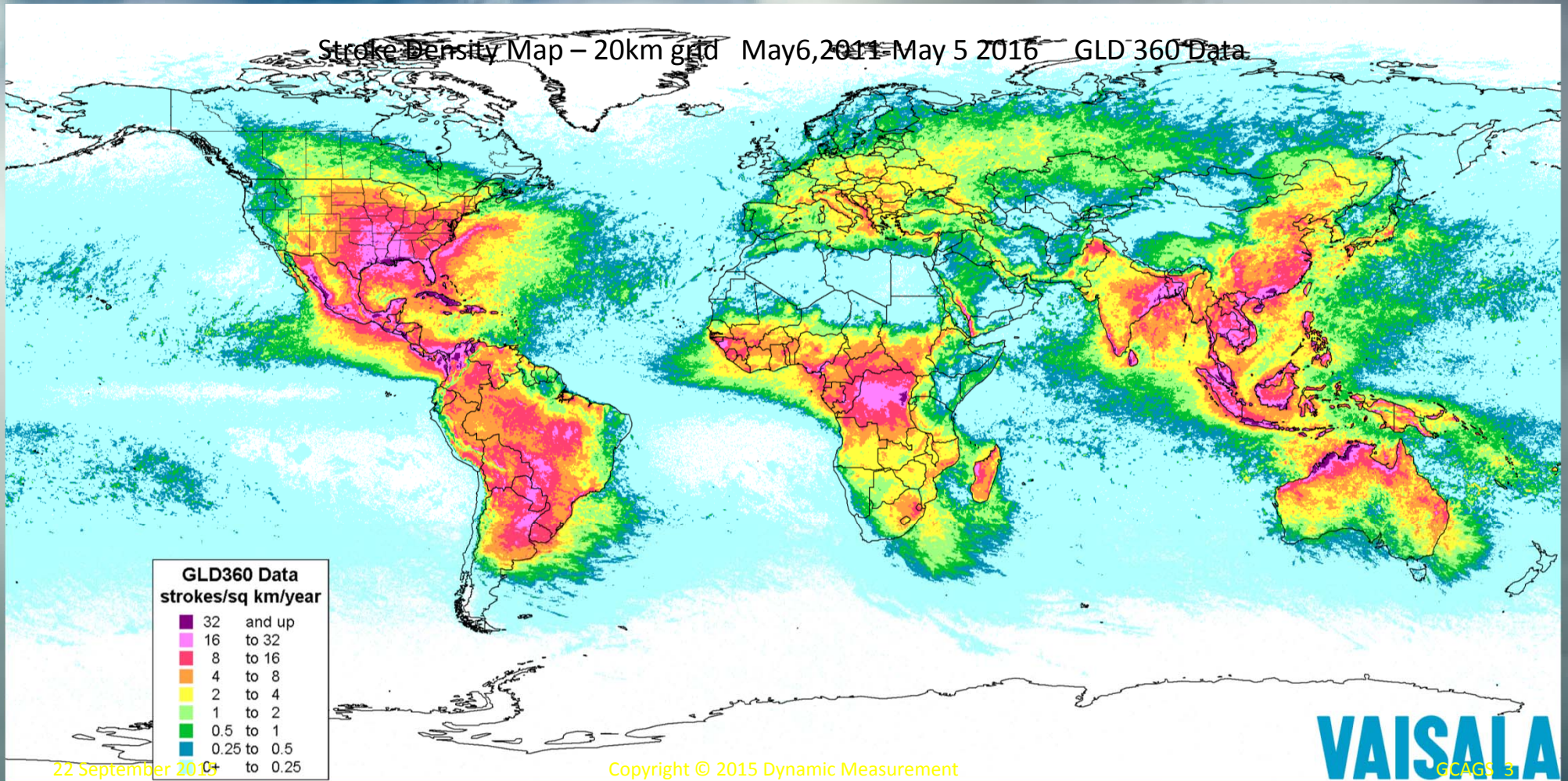
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Lightning Occurs Everywhere

Stroke Density Map – 20km grid May6,2011-May 5 2016 GLD 360 Data

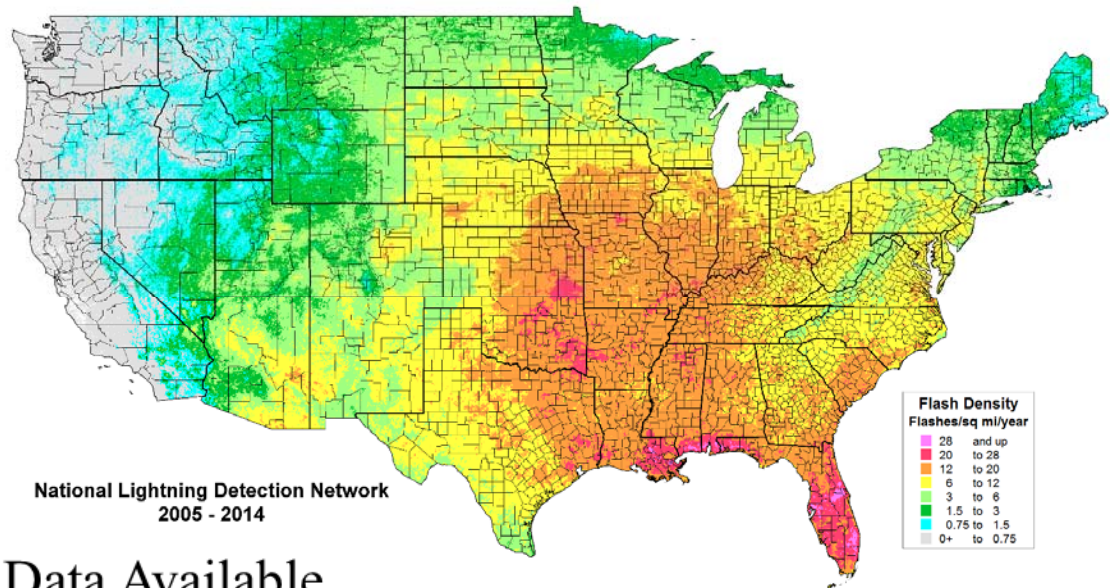


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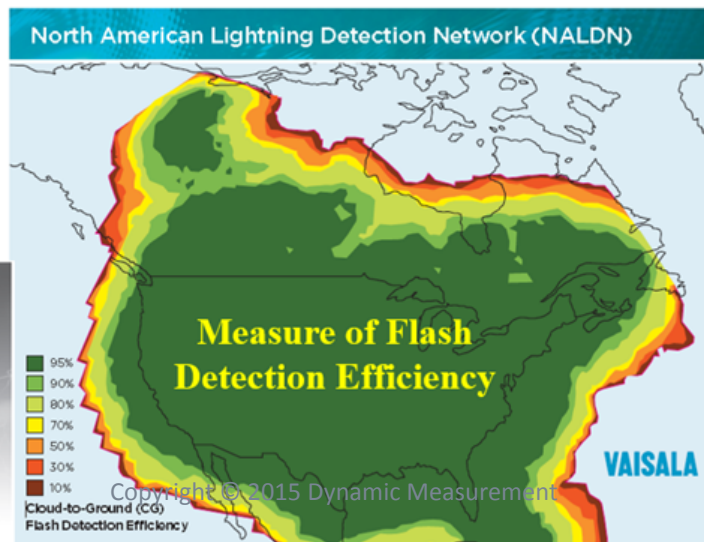
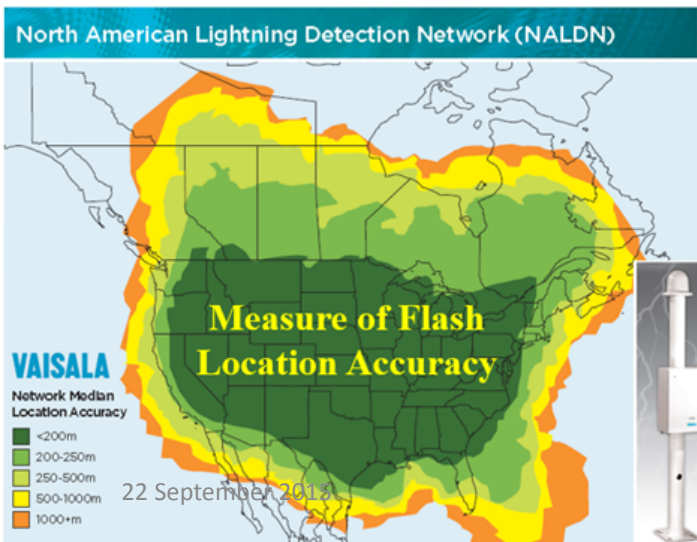
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Houston To Miami
 receives 12 to 28 lightning
 strikes per square mile
 per year.



17 Years of NLDN Lightning Strike Data Available

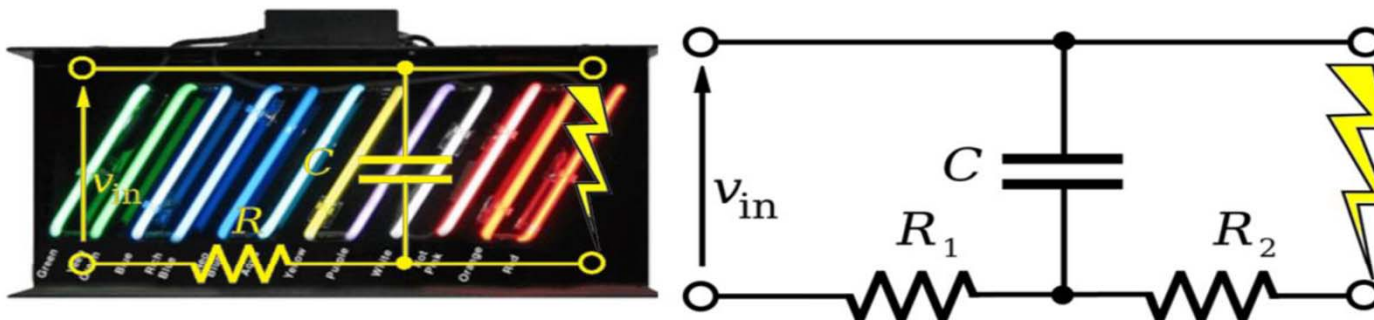


Network Median
 Location Accuracy
 Over most of US is
 200 meters or less.

- Two conducting plates, the storm cloud and the earth
- Separated by an insulating dielectric - the atmosphere.
- Voltage, created by collision of ice within clouds
- Lightning bolts rebalance the charge between the plates.



Lightning Physics is analogous to Relaxation Oscillator Physics



- The atmospheric capacitor is nearly the same physics
- Just an additional resistance (R_2) limiting the current
- R_2 is the resistance between the lightning strike point and the bottom plate of the capacitor

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Lightning

HALLIBURTON | Landmark

Lightning Measurements/Attributes, & Wave Form

- Location / Time and Duration / # of Sensors

- Rise Time

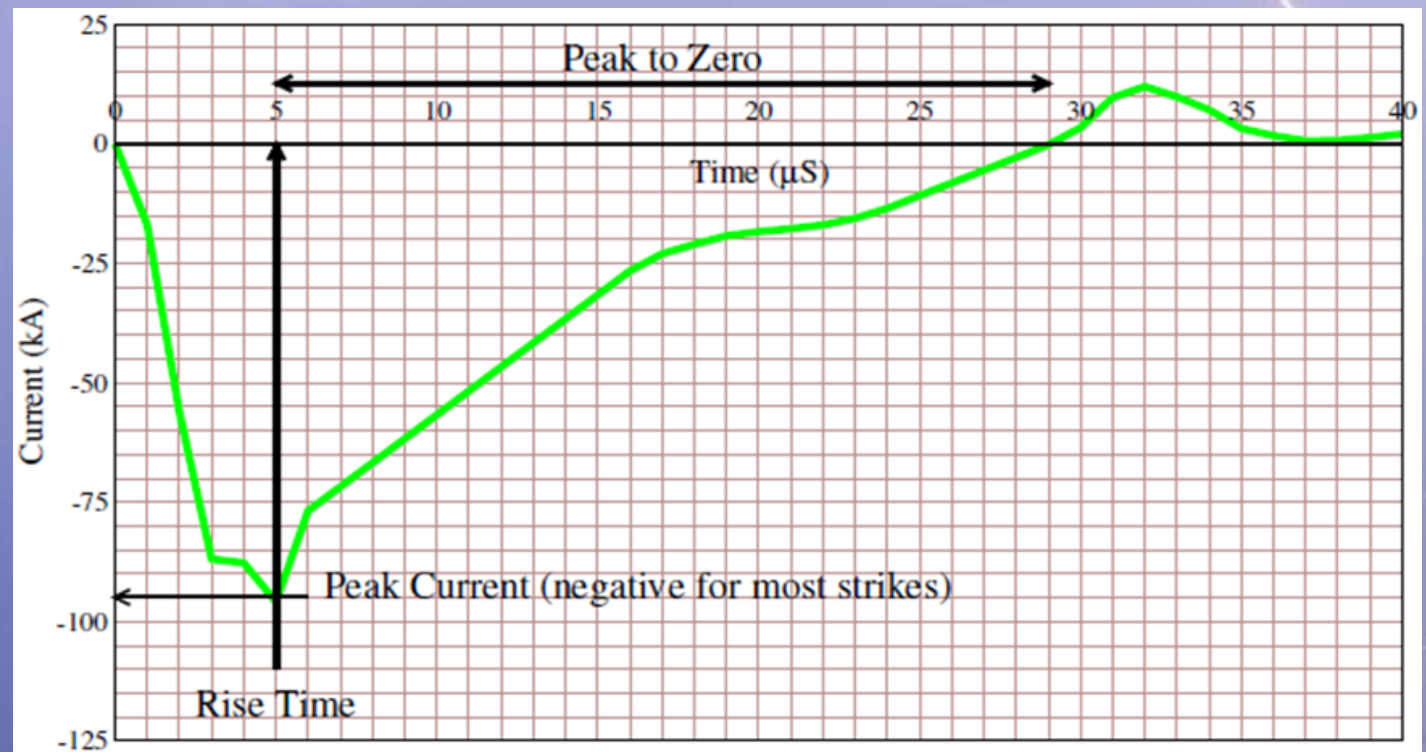
- Peak Current

- Peak to Zero

- Polarity

- Chi Squared

- Number of Sensors



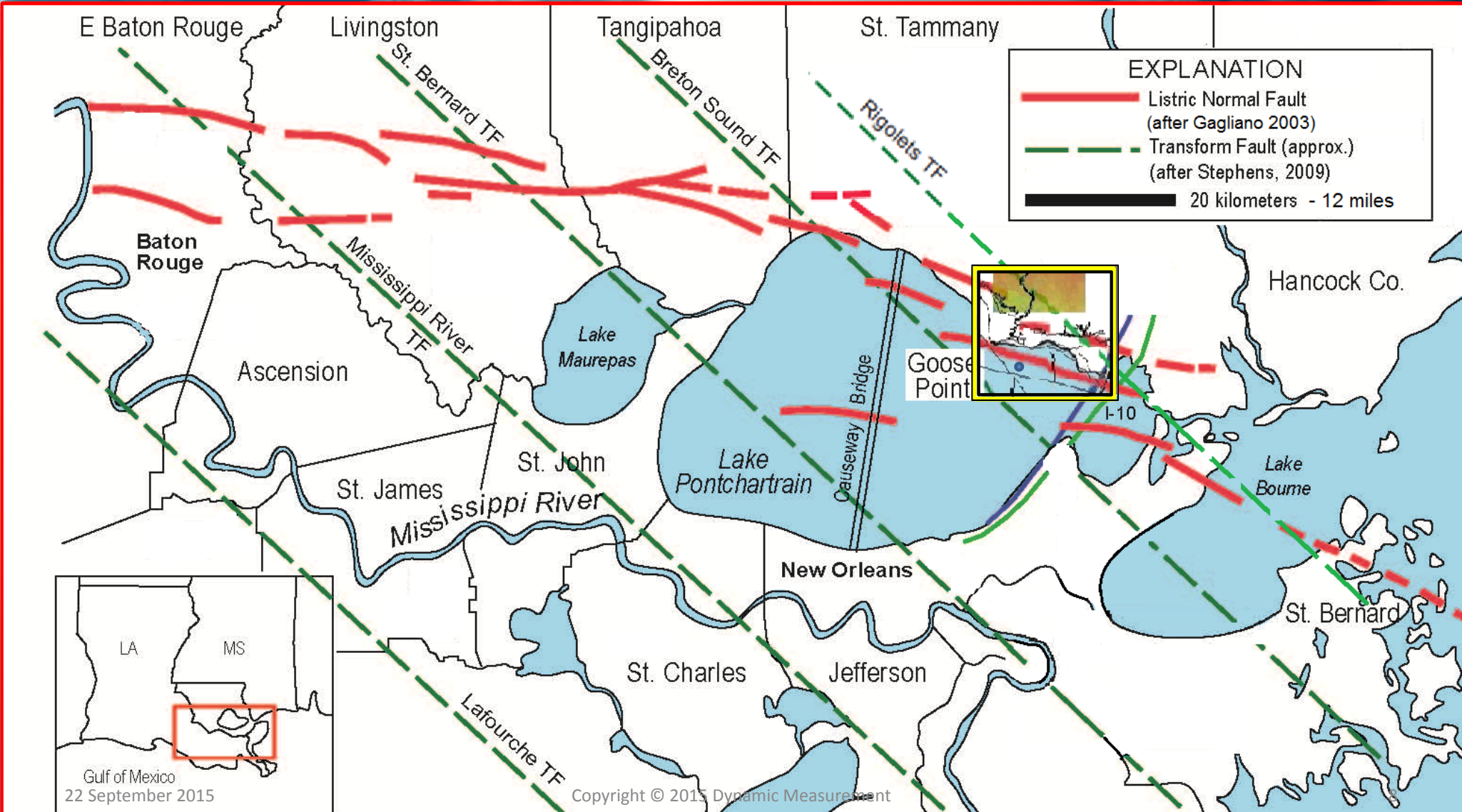


Goose Point / Big Point Field

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Gulf of Mexico
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Typical Environmental Studies Often Lack a Framework for Integrating Diverse Data Sets

Fault offsets on roads or in the marsh

USGS sparker data

Oil and gas wells from state files

Water well logs

Dissertations and theses

Journals, government reports, gray literature

Baton Rouge Fault System Faults with Surface Expressions

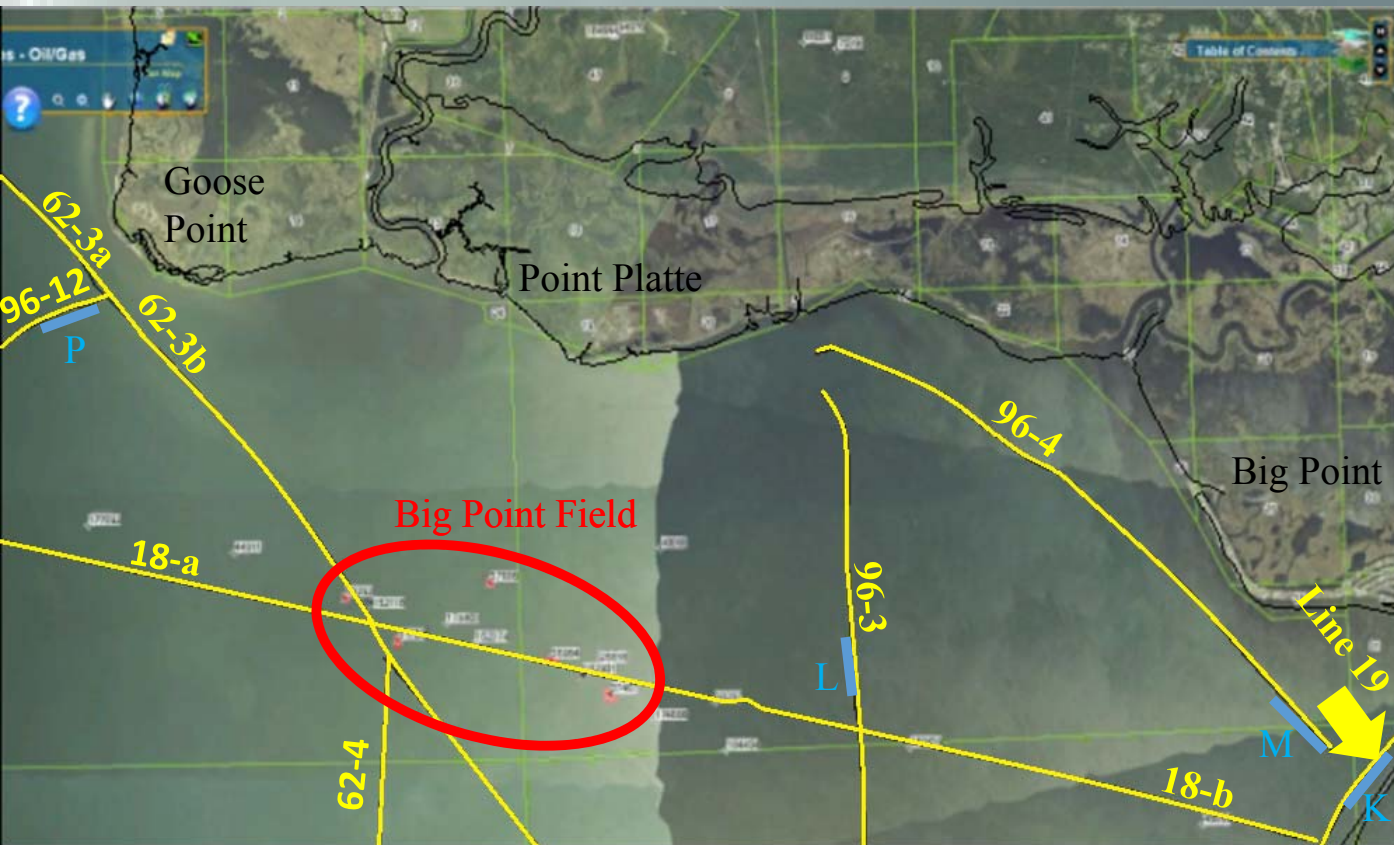


Lacombe Fault Segment



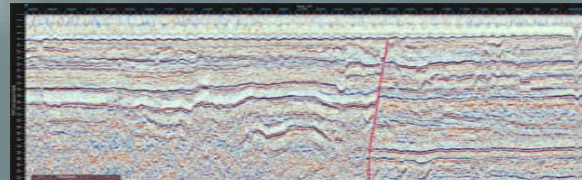
Goose Point Fault offsets Hwy 11 Bridge

USGS High Resolution Sparker Seismic - 1998

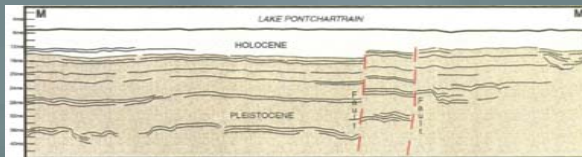


Sparker interpreted by L. J. Berent (— Roth, 1999 UNO Geology Thesis)

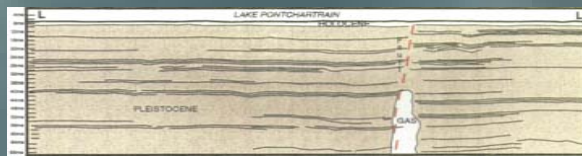
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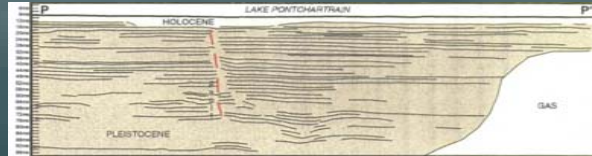
Line 96-4/M-M'



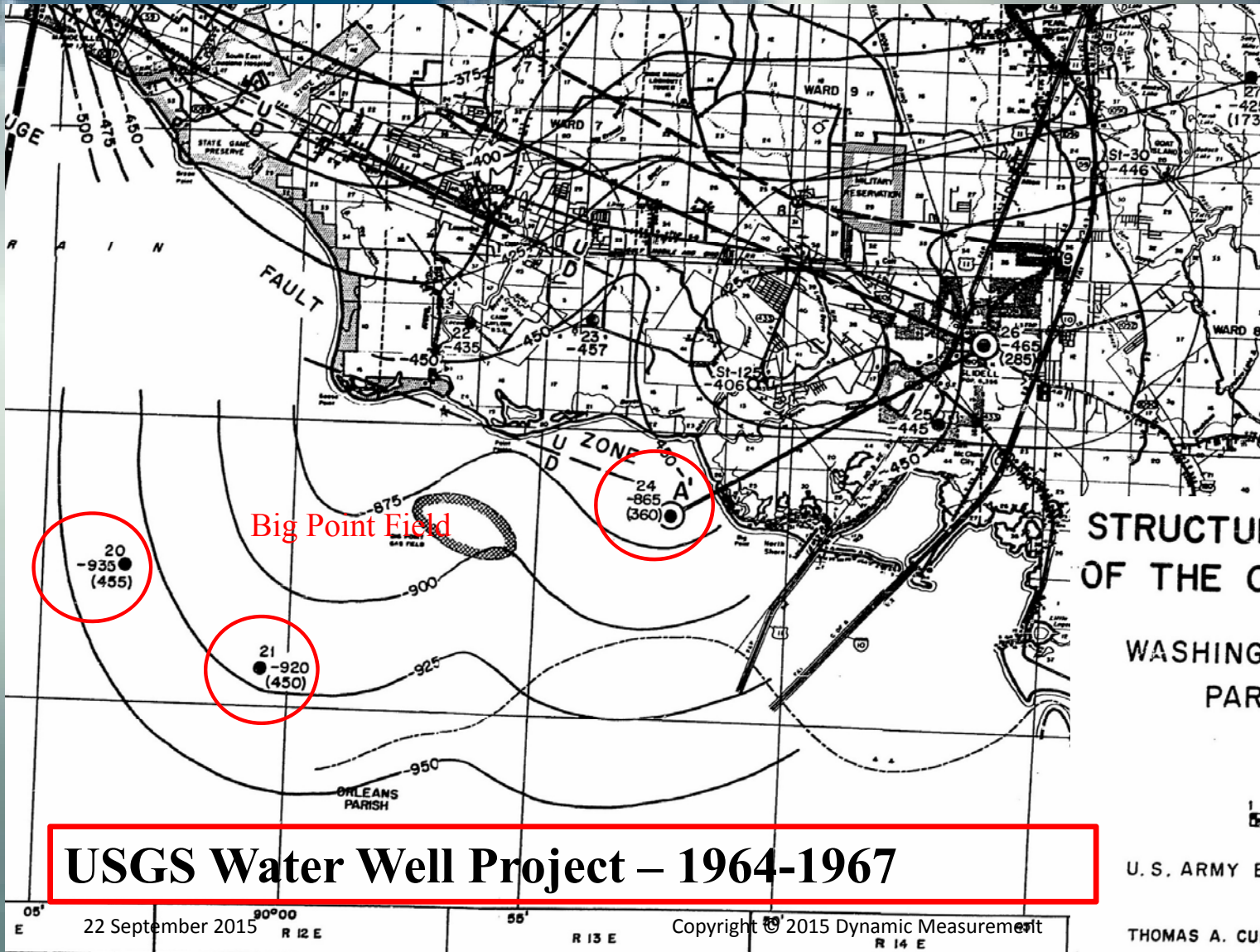
Line 96-3/L-L'



Line 96-12/P-P'

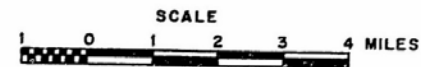


T. A. Cullinan's
1969 Tulane
Dissertation
of Big Point Field
sparked new
interest in fault
interpretations.



**STRUCTURE MAP ON THE BASE
OF THE CITRONELLE FORMATION**

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PARISHES, LOUISIANA



U. S. ARMY ENGINEER DISTRICT, NEW ORLEANS
CORPS OF ENGINEERS

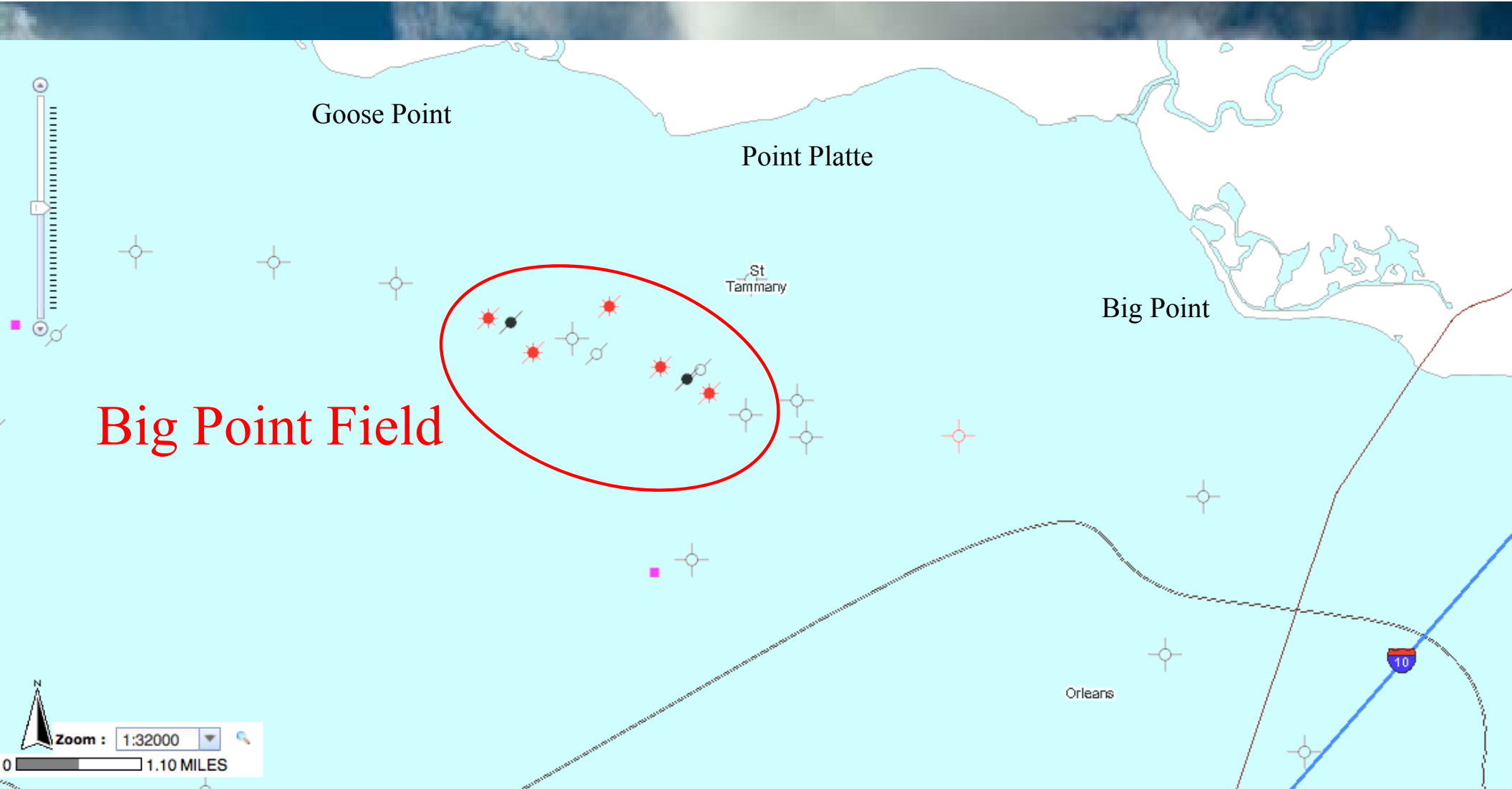
THOMAS A. CULLINAN

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USGS Water Well Project - 1964-1967

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“The Geohazard Problem”

Surface faults can be avoided/designed for if they are recognized.

Engineers do not design for unknown hazards – not imaged by geotech.

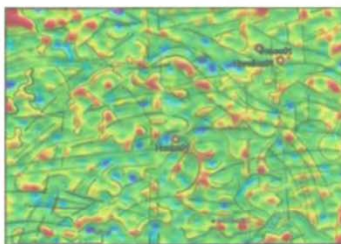
NSEM provides connectivity to diverse data sets and may offer cost effective insights on areas that need additional data.

A dramatic photograph of a lightning bolt striking a dark, stormy sky. The lightning bolt is bright yellow and white, branching out as it descends. The background is a deep, dark blue-grey, suggesting a heavy storm.

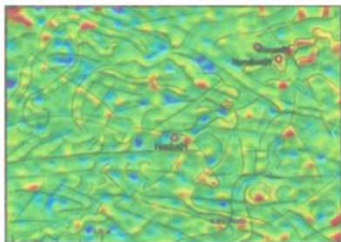
Lightning Attribute Maps provide insight into Rock/Sediment Properties

Attributes Calculated or Displayed with DecisionSpace®

Surface Resistivity:



Peak-to-Zero:



Seismic Attributes

- Instantaneous
- Wavelet
- Geometrical
- Reflective
- Curvature
- Dip
- Semblance/Coherence
- AVO / AVA
- Derivatives

Lightning Map Attributes

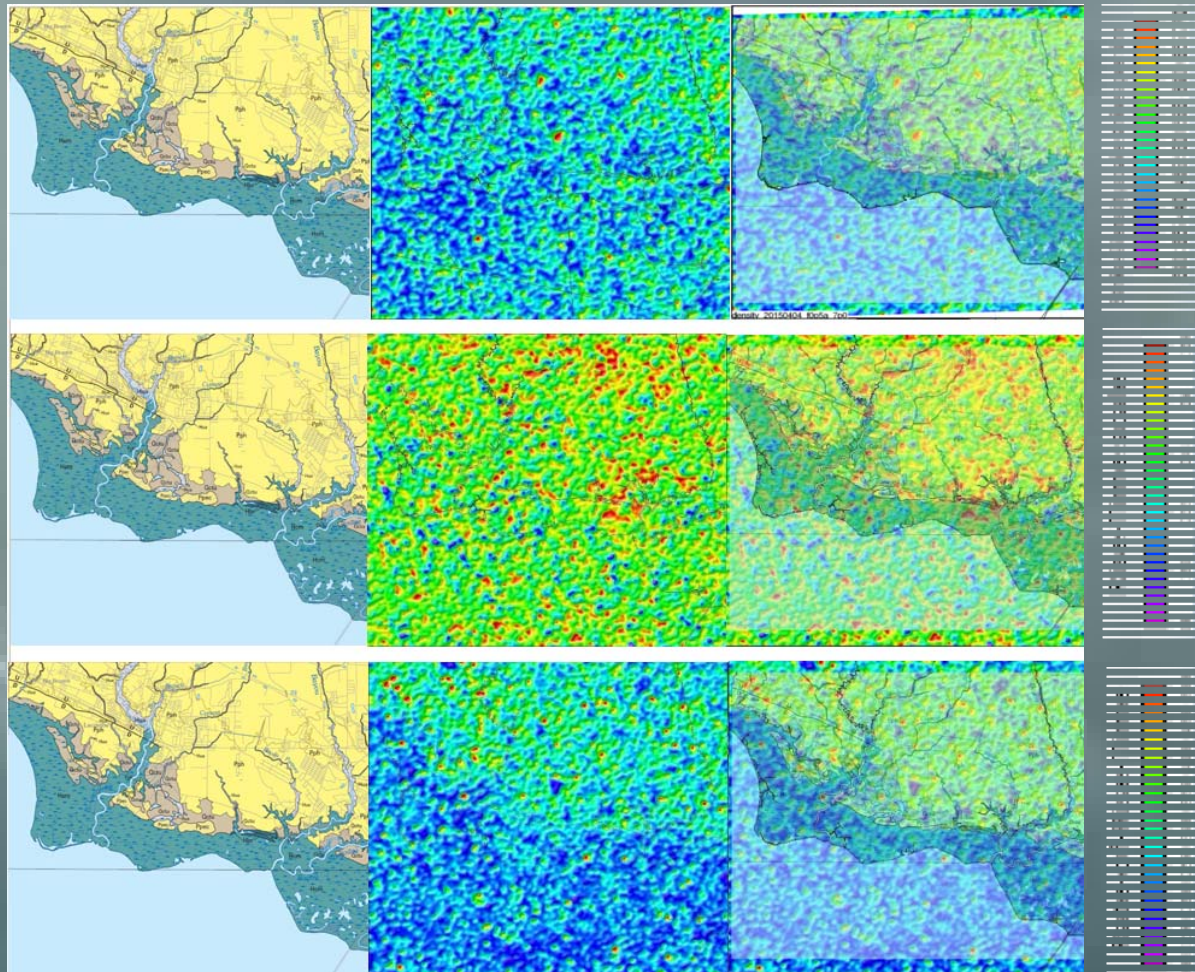
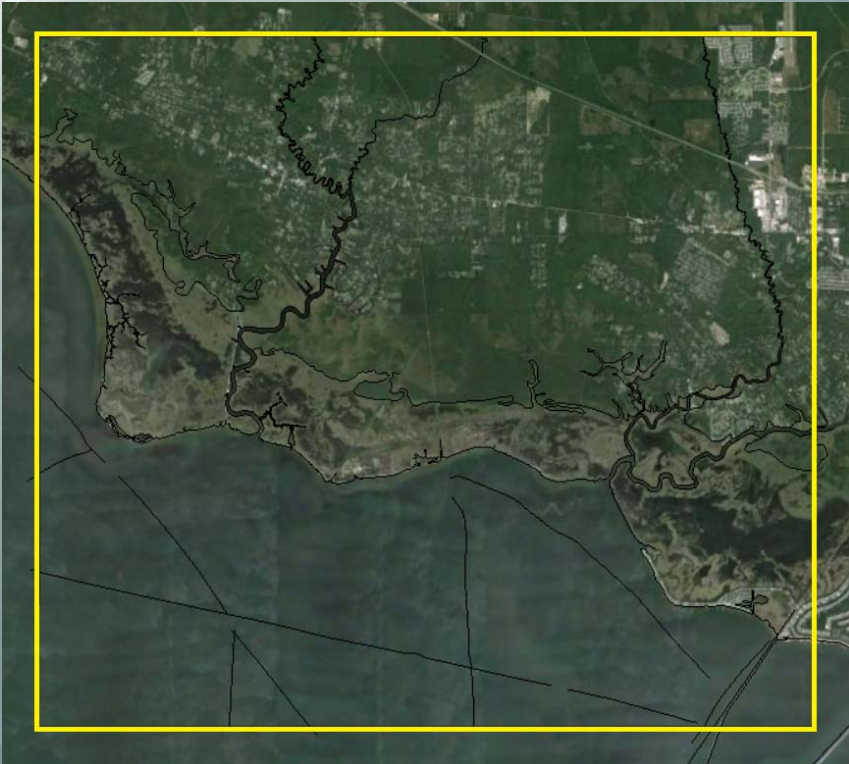
- Rise-Time
- Peak Current
- Peak-to-Zero
- Total Wavelet Time
- Symmetry
- Density
- Rise-Time-Rate
- Temporal Versions
- Tidal Gravity

Lightning Volume Attributes

- Resistivity
- Instantaneous Resistivity
- Curvature Resistivity
- Permittivity
- Wavelet Permittivity
- Dip Permittivity
- Temporal Versions:
 - Before Event
 - After Event

There are more lightning attributes than seismic

Google Earth Image Study Area in Yellow



Geologic Map

McCulloh (2004)

Rate of Rise Time

Rise Time

Strike Density

Attribute Transparency

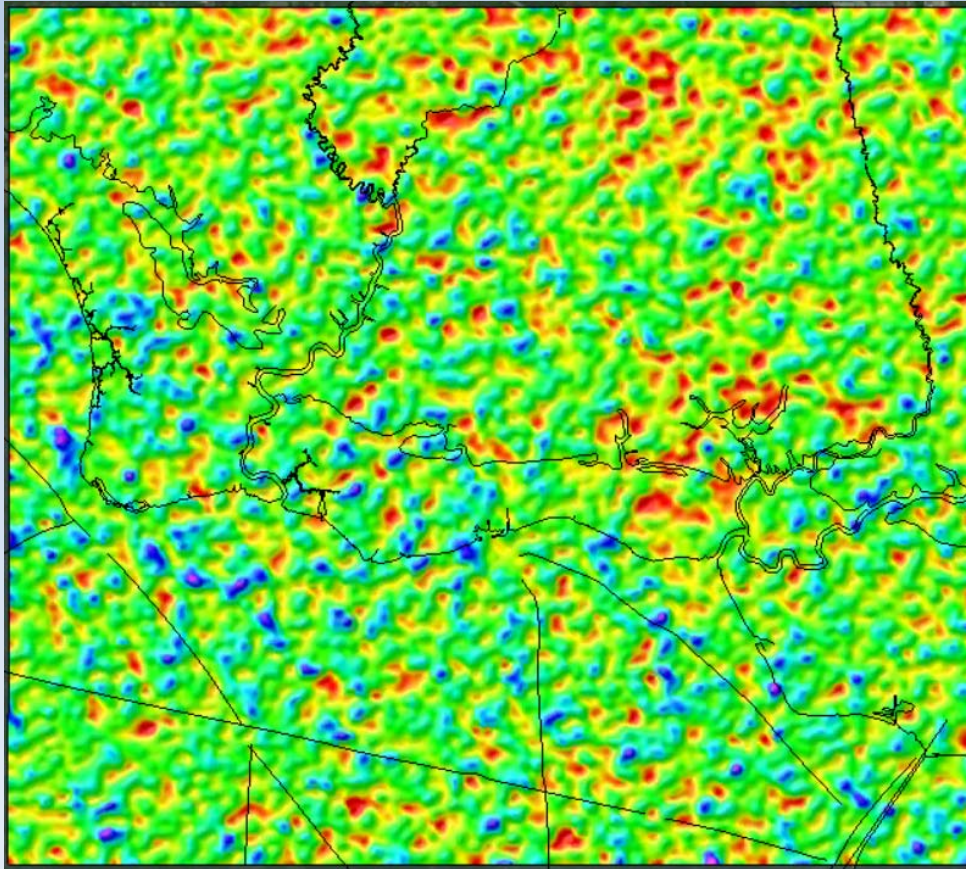
over Geology Map

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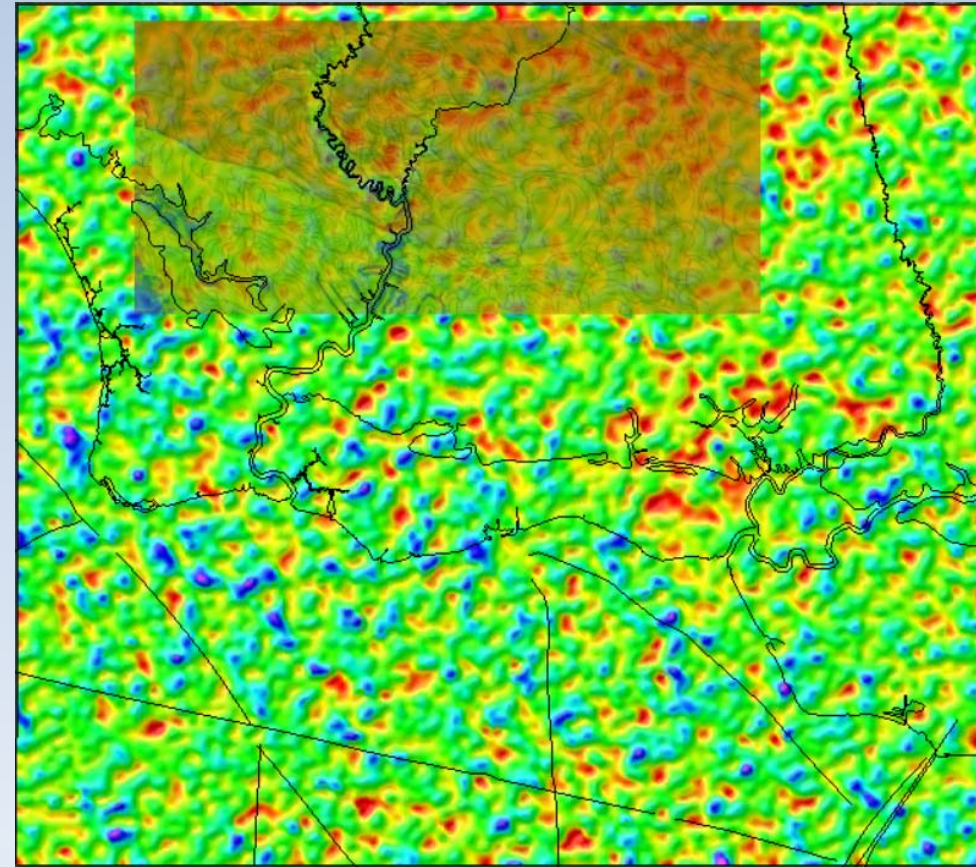
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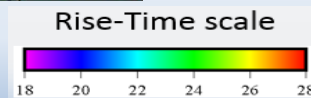
Rise Time over Entire Study Area
110 sq. mi.



Rise Time with Focus Box
highlighted with LIDAR

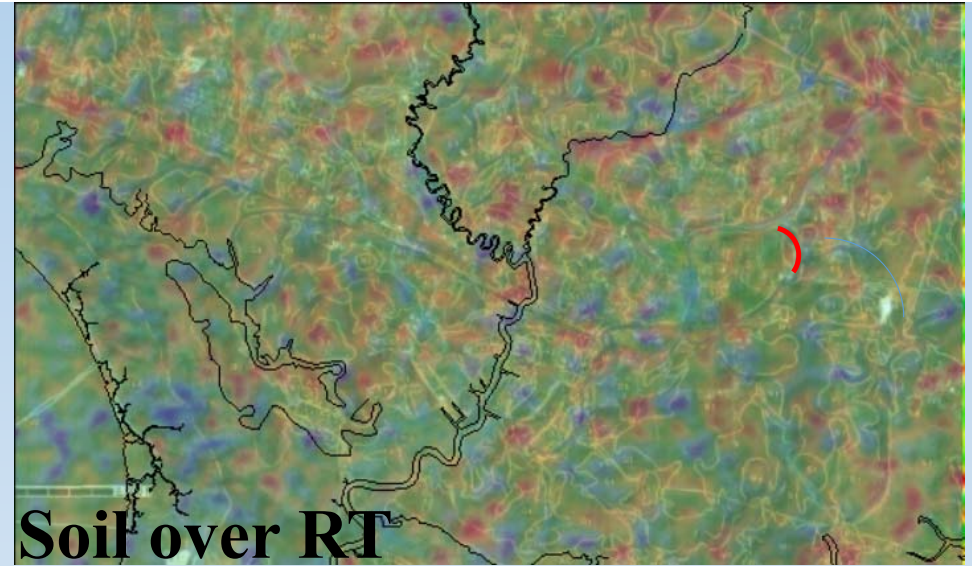
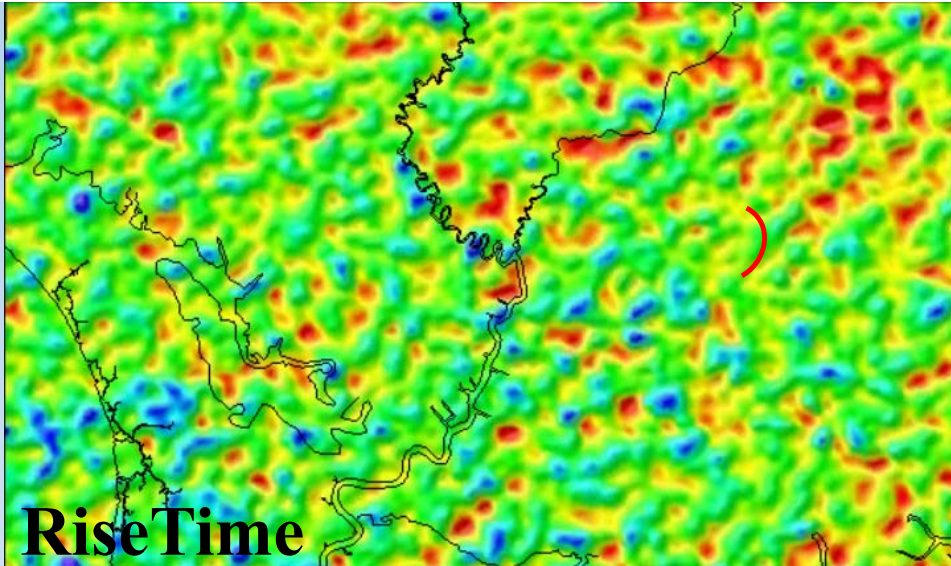


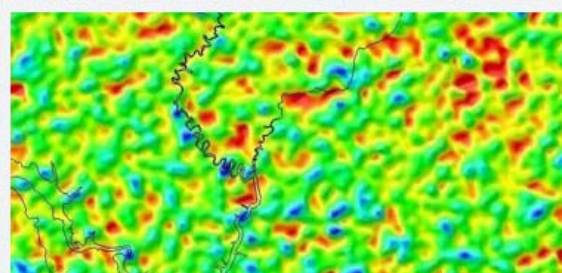
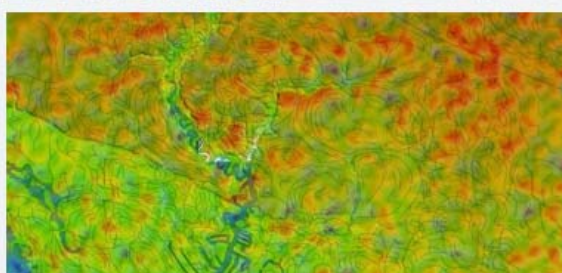
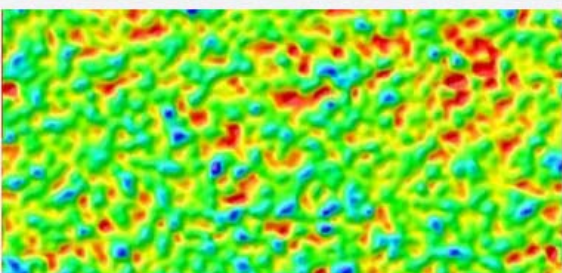
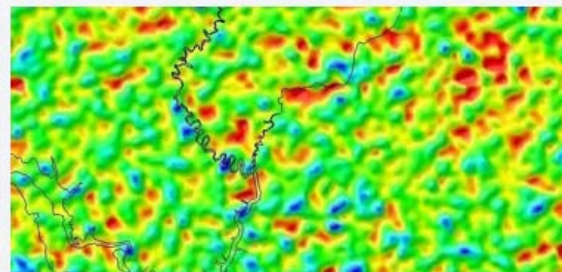
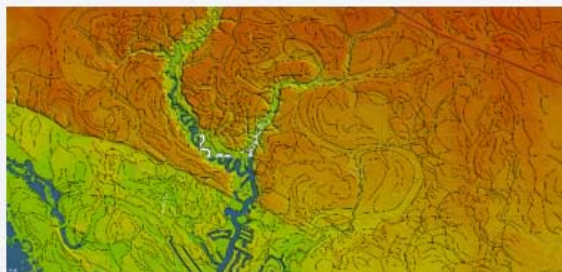
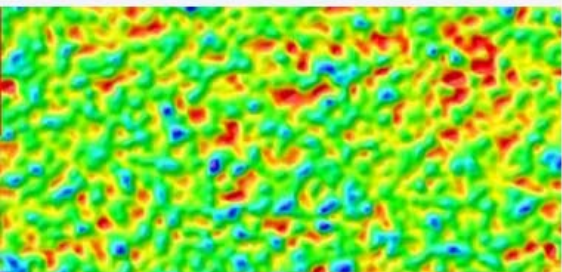
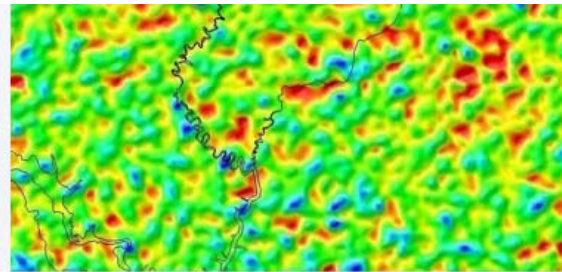
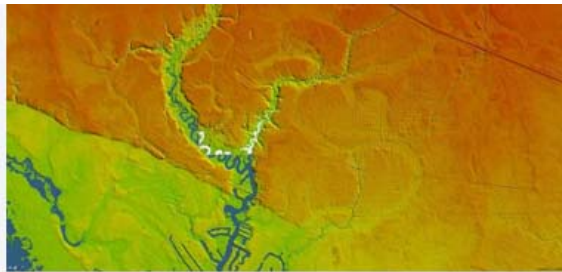
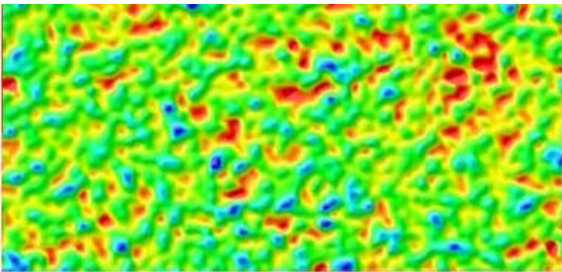
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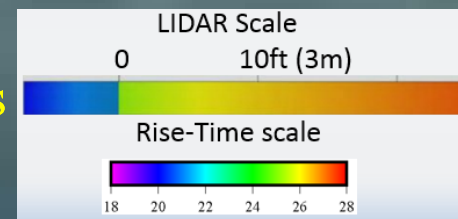




Rise Time Attribute

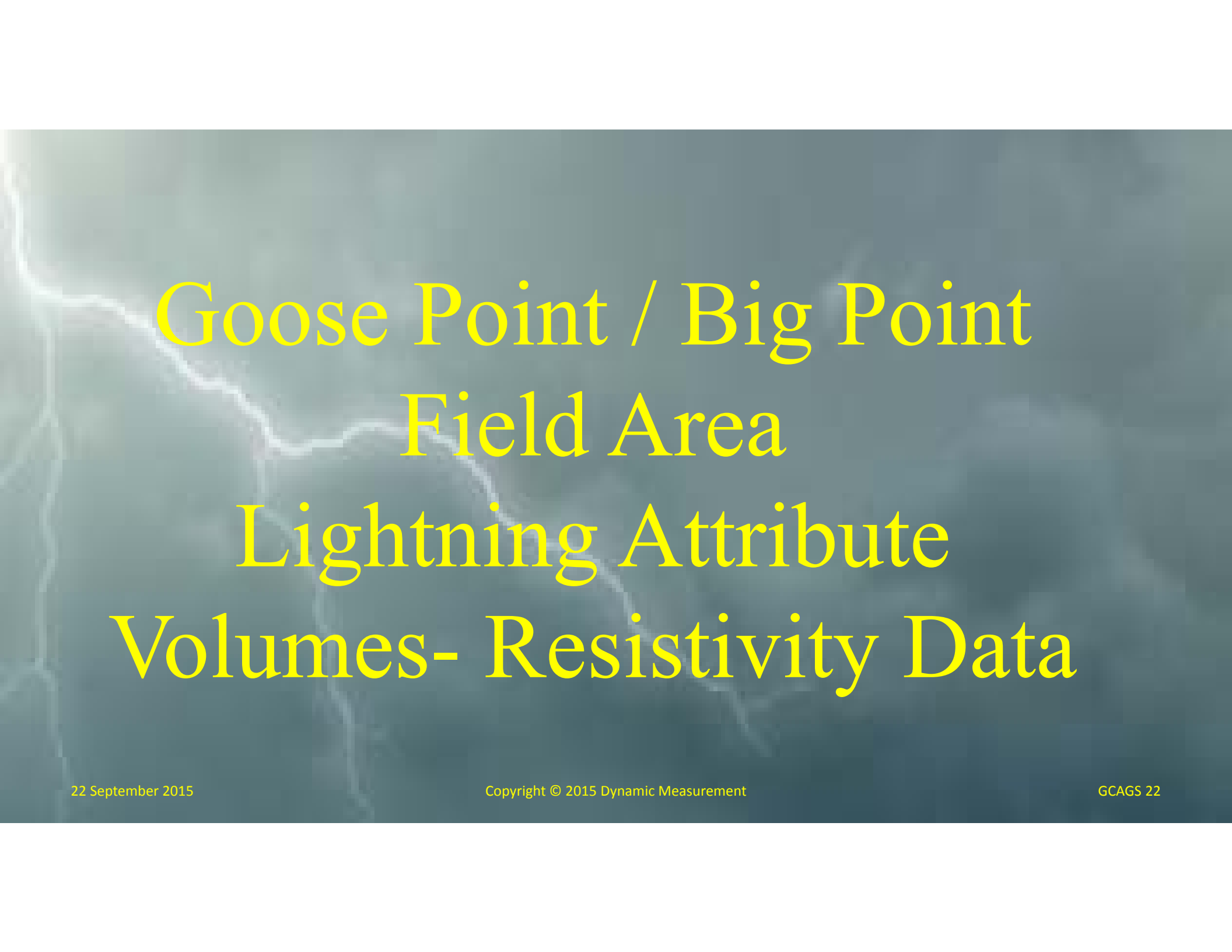
LIDAR
Annotated LIDAR
Rise Time transparency
over
Annotated LIDAR

Rise Time Attribute
with stream Channels



Lightning Rock Property Volumes

Apparent Resistivity and Permittivity Volumes,
provide a framework for integrating and interpreting
multidisciplinary data sets.

A dark, stormy background with a bright lightning bolt striking from the top left towards the center. The text is overlaid in a bright yellow color.

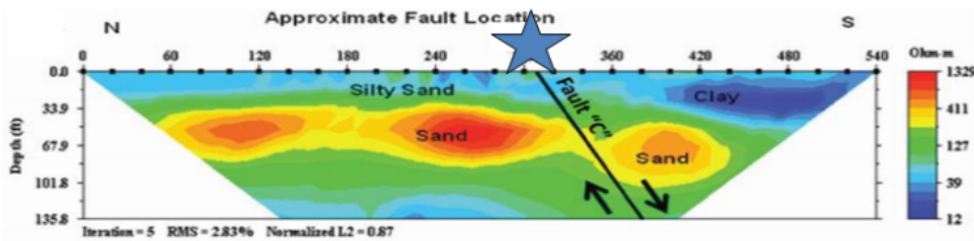
Goose Point / Big Point Field Area Lightning Attribute Volumes- Resistivity Data

Conventional Resistivity Profile

NSEM Profile

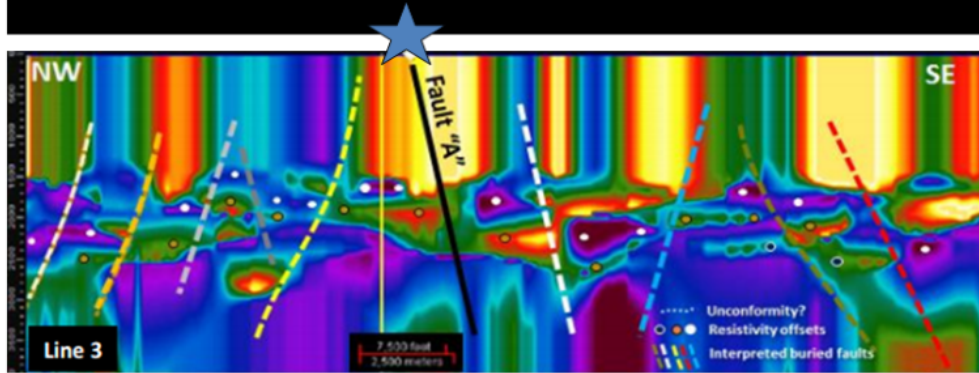
1971 Seismic Line

2-D Resistivity Imaging

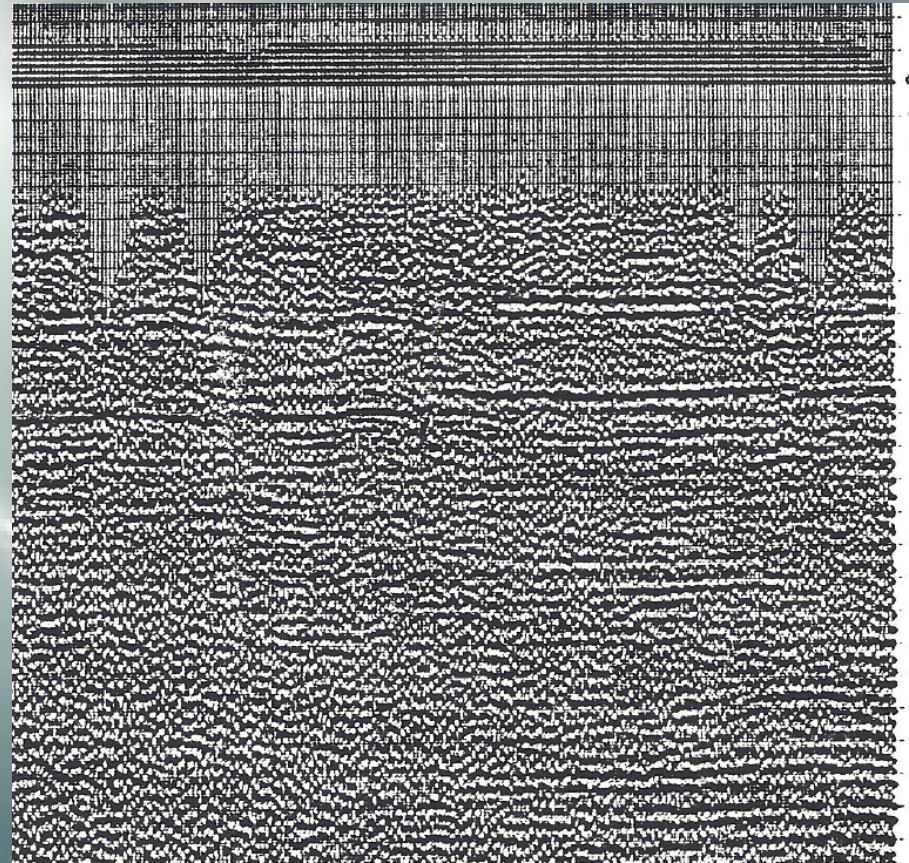


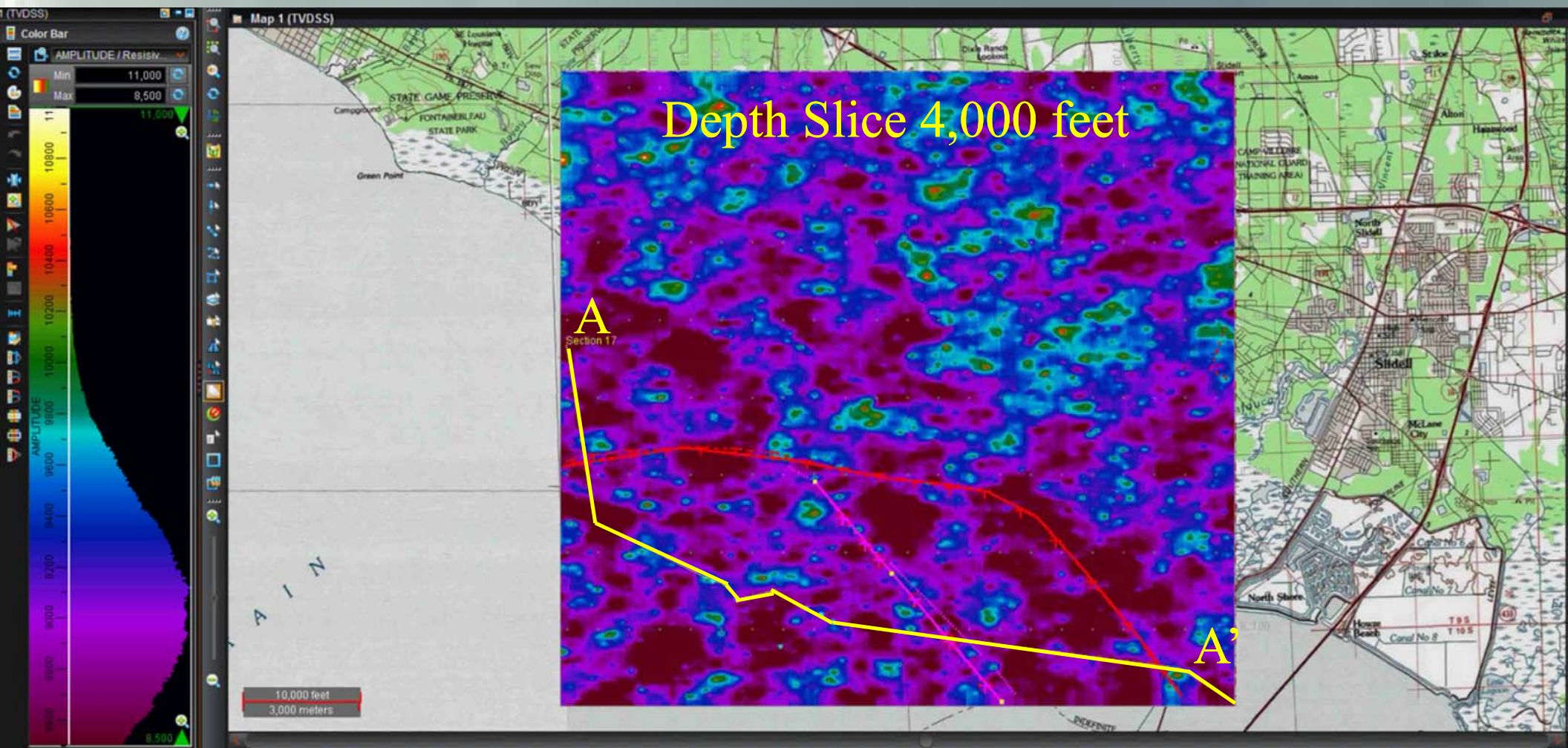
Resistivity imaging data taken across the Katy-Hockley fault. Note the south-dipping sand layers and thickening clay layers in the downthrown side. After M. Saribudak, Fast Times, Vol 17, No. 1, March 2012

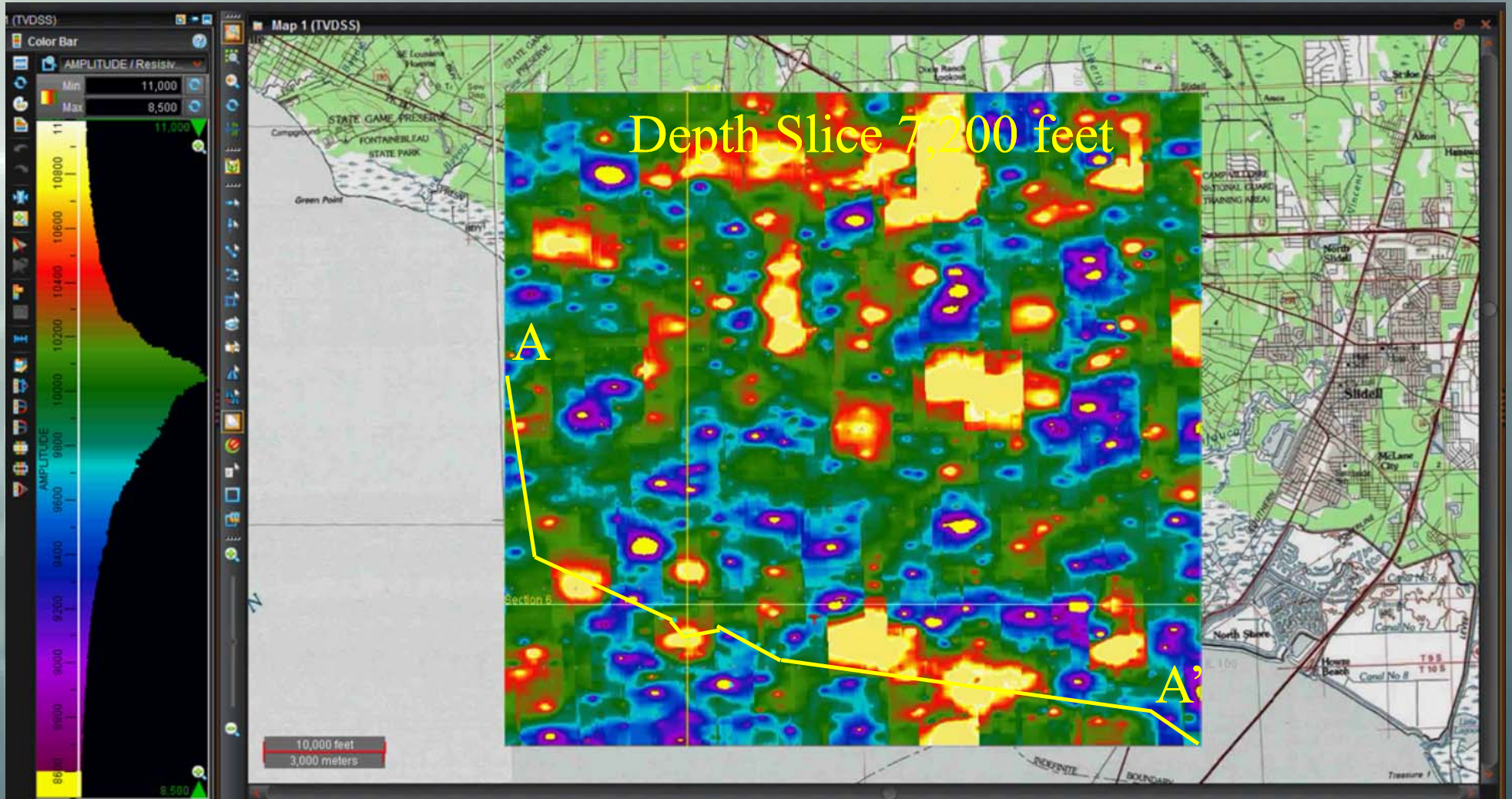
Lightning Resistivity Faults



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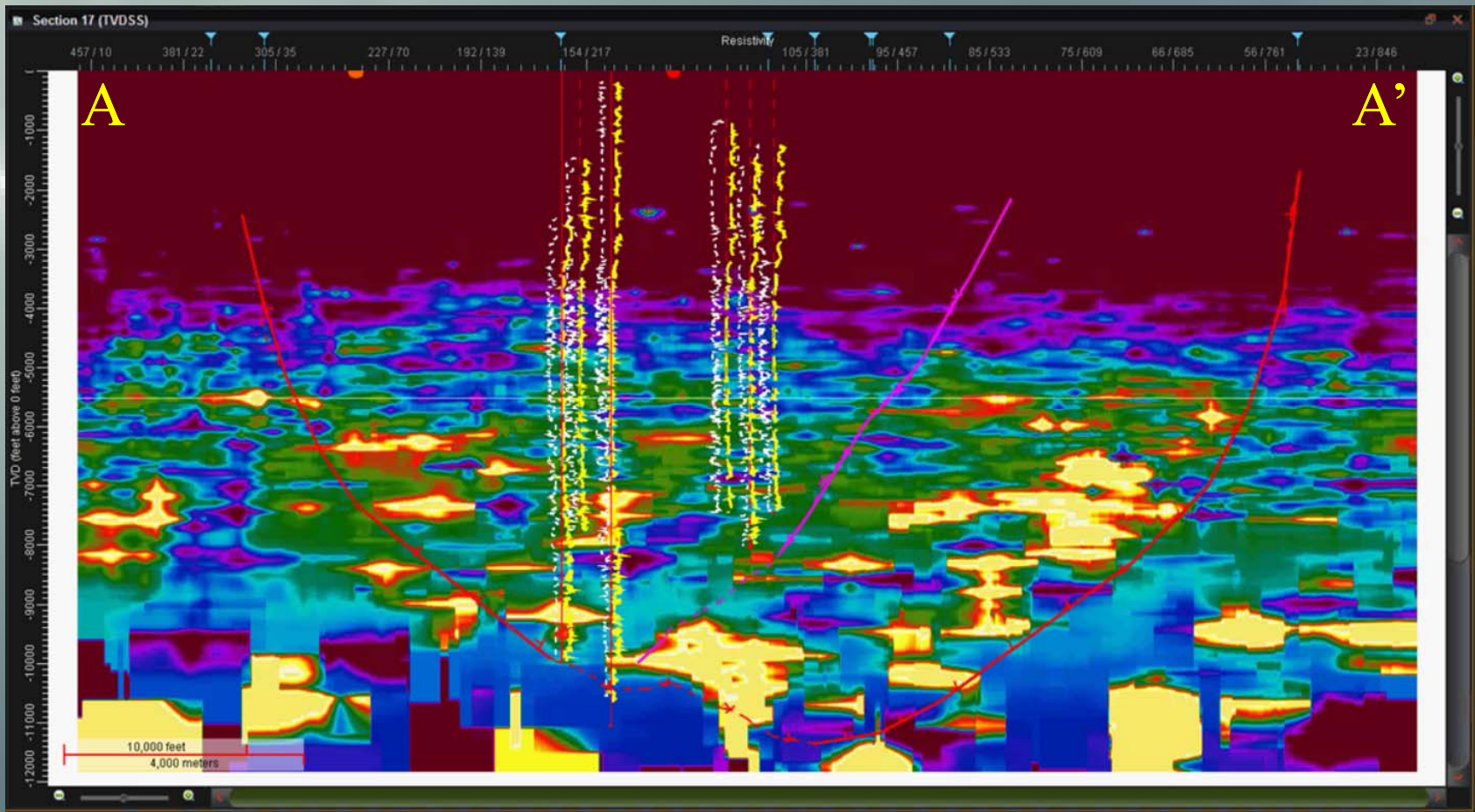


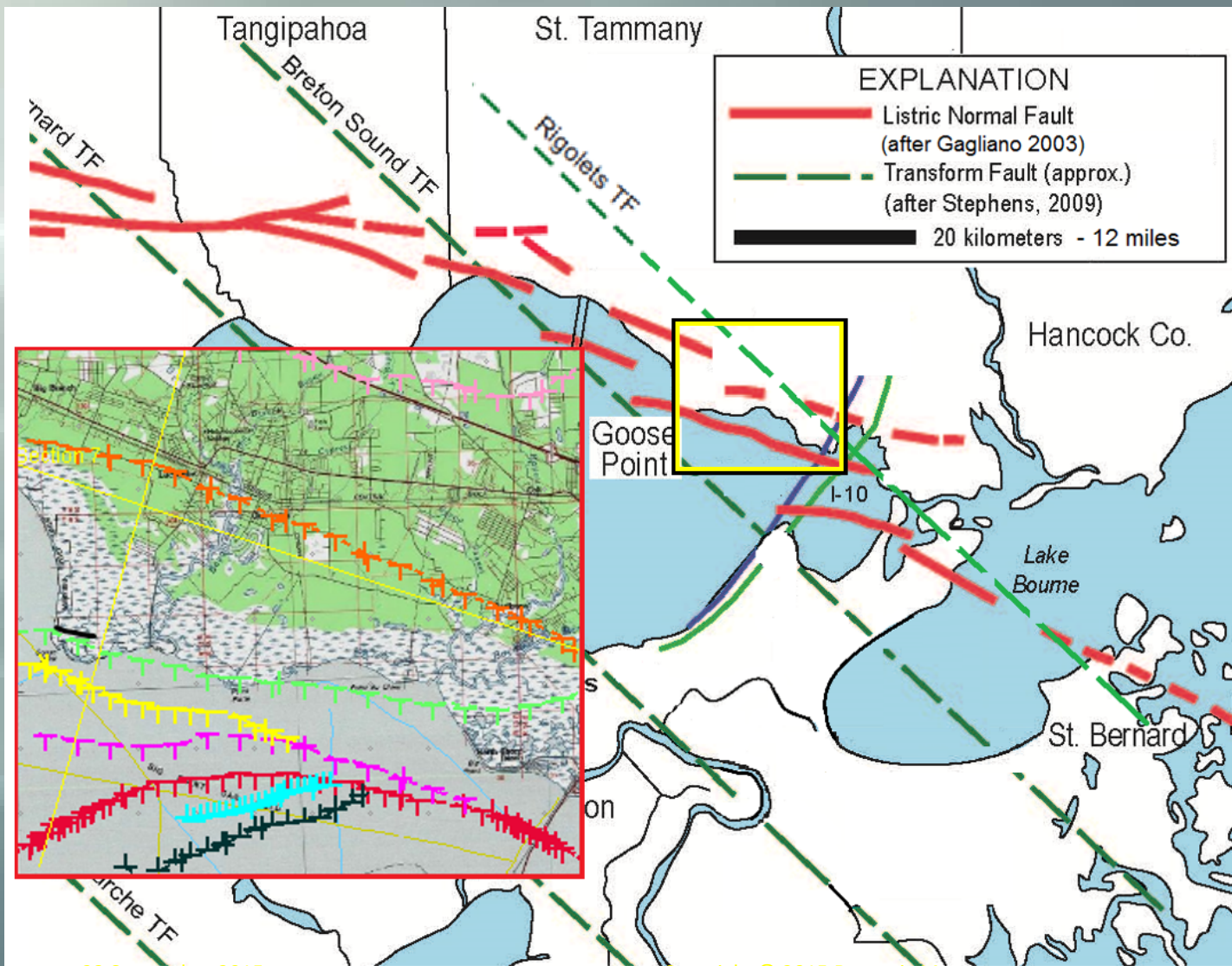


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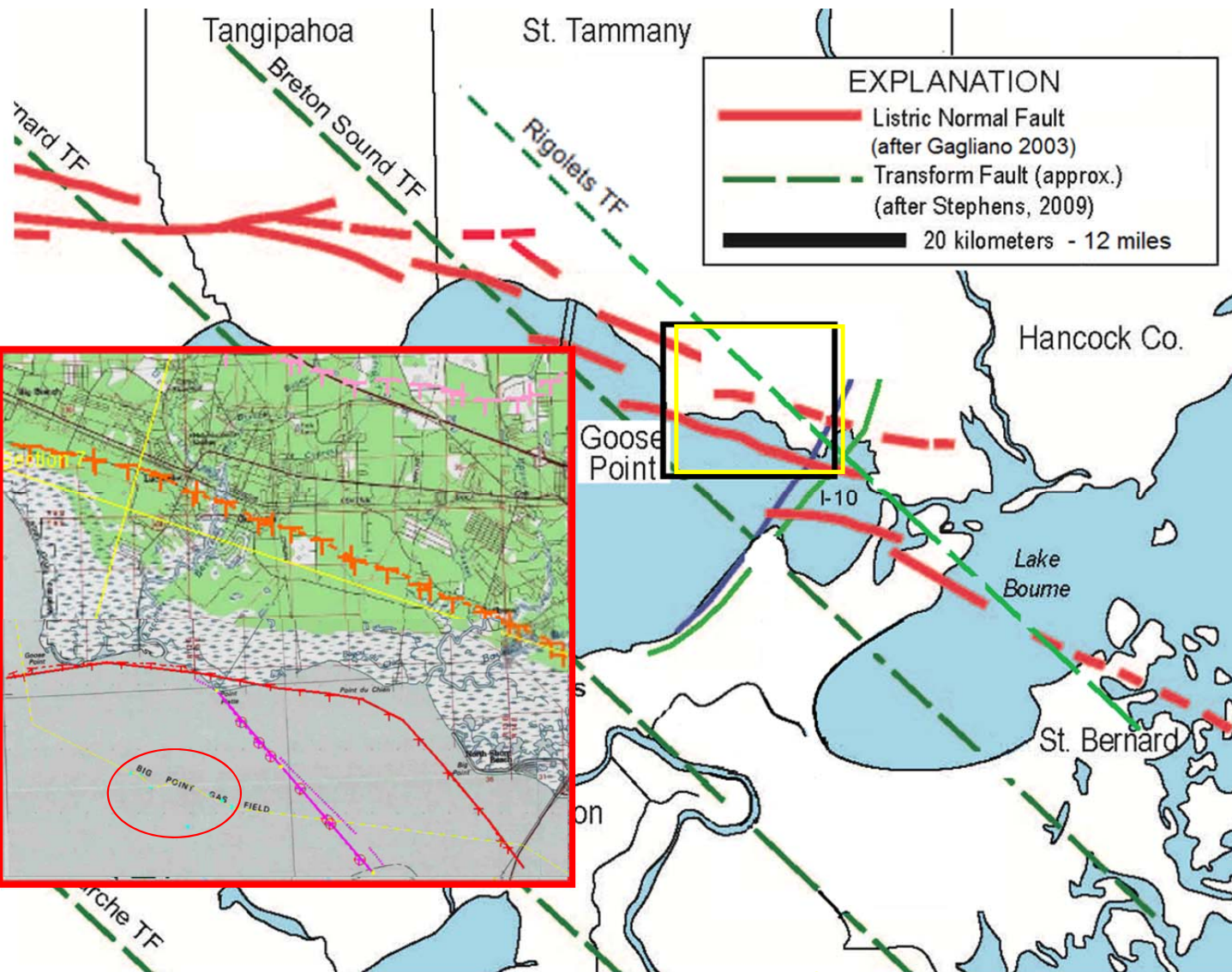
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Fault interpretation using just using LIDAR, sparker, bridge offsets and NSEM - lightning data

No well data in this interp.



Fault Interpretation with Sparker LIDAR/Soils Limited Well Data and NSEM with new processing algorithm

Conclusion

Lightning provides connectivity between datasets and within a regional geologic framework

Rock property attributes relate to LIDAR and Soils

Resistivity Volumes provide insights into stratigraphy, structure, and rock properties.

Thank You!



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