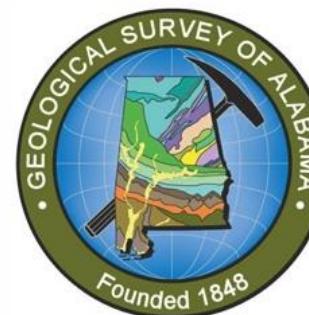


Assessing CO₂ Storage Potential in the Eastern Gulf of Mexico Continental Shelf

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Clean Coal Technology



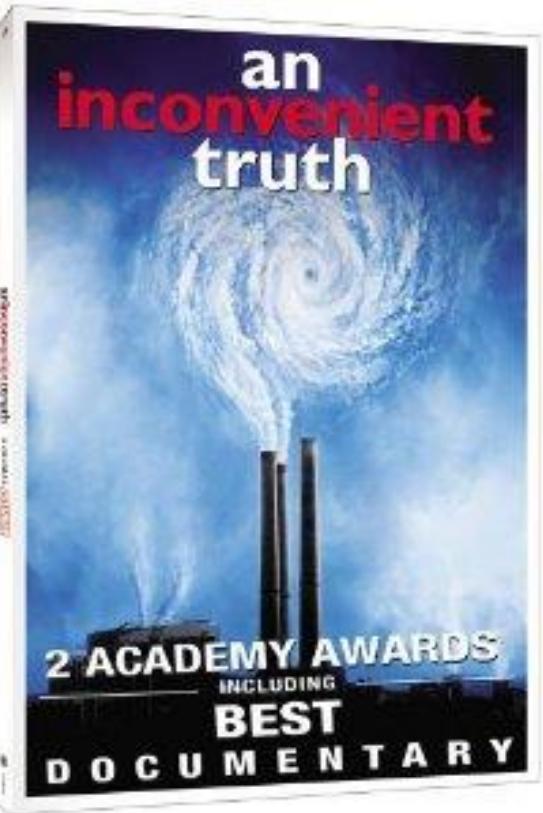
Smoke
plumes

Air quality
Water quality
Energy efficiency
Greenhouse gas control



Steam
plumes

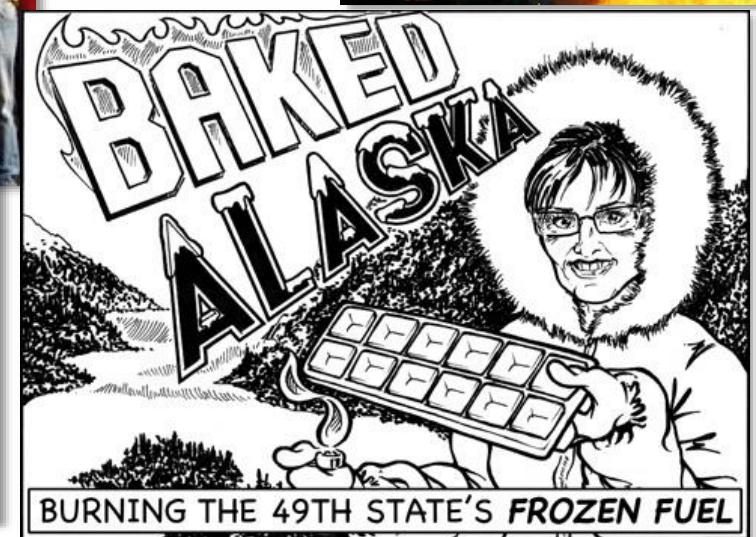
Turned a Scientific Debate into a Political One



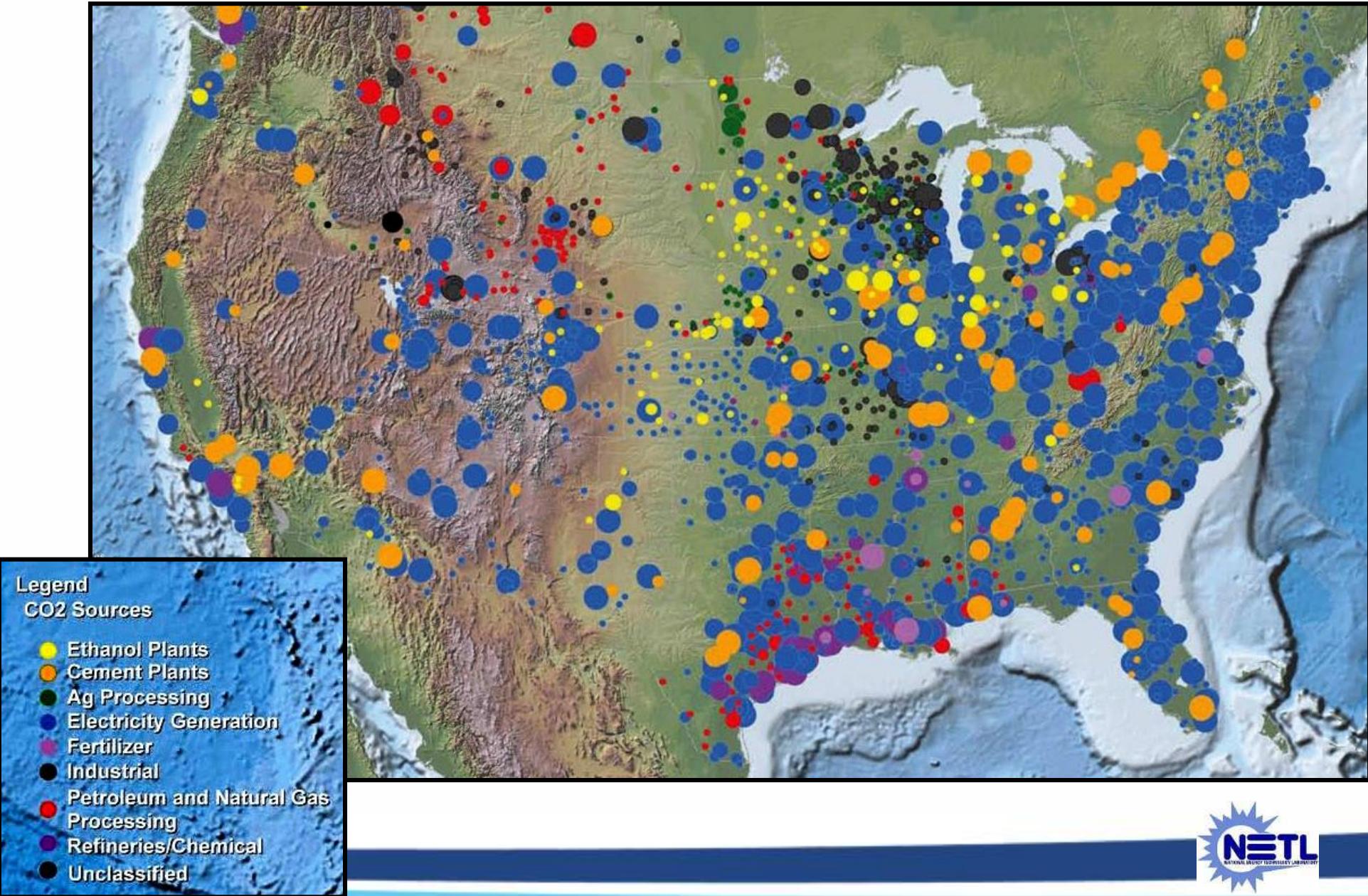
Who is this guy,
and what is he
pointing at?



Balancing Societal Need with Perception



CO₂ Emission Sources

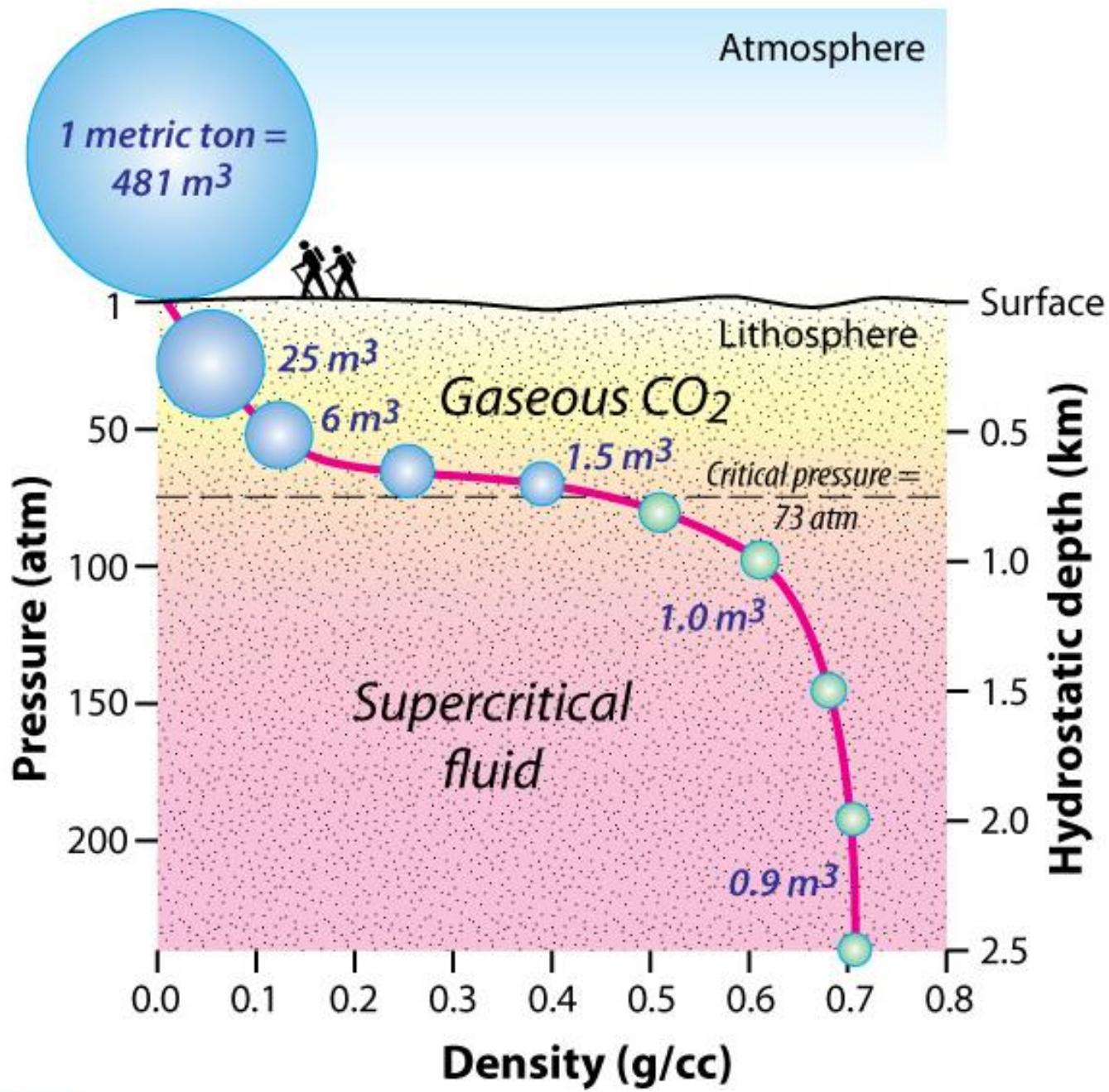


HOW MUCH IS A TON OF CO₂?



**USA emits 7 billion
tons/year.**

20 of these are yours!



CO₂ PVT RELATIONSHIPS

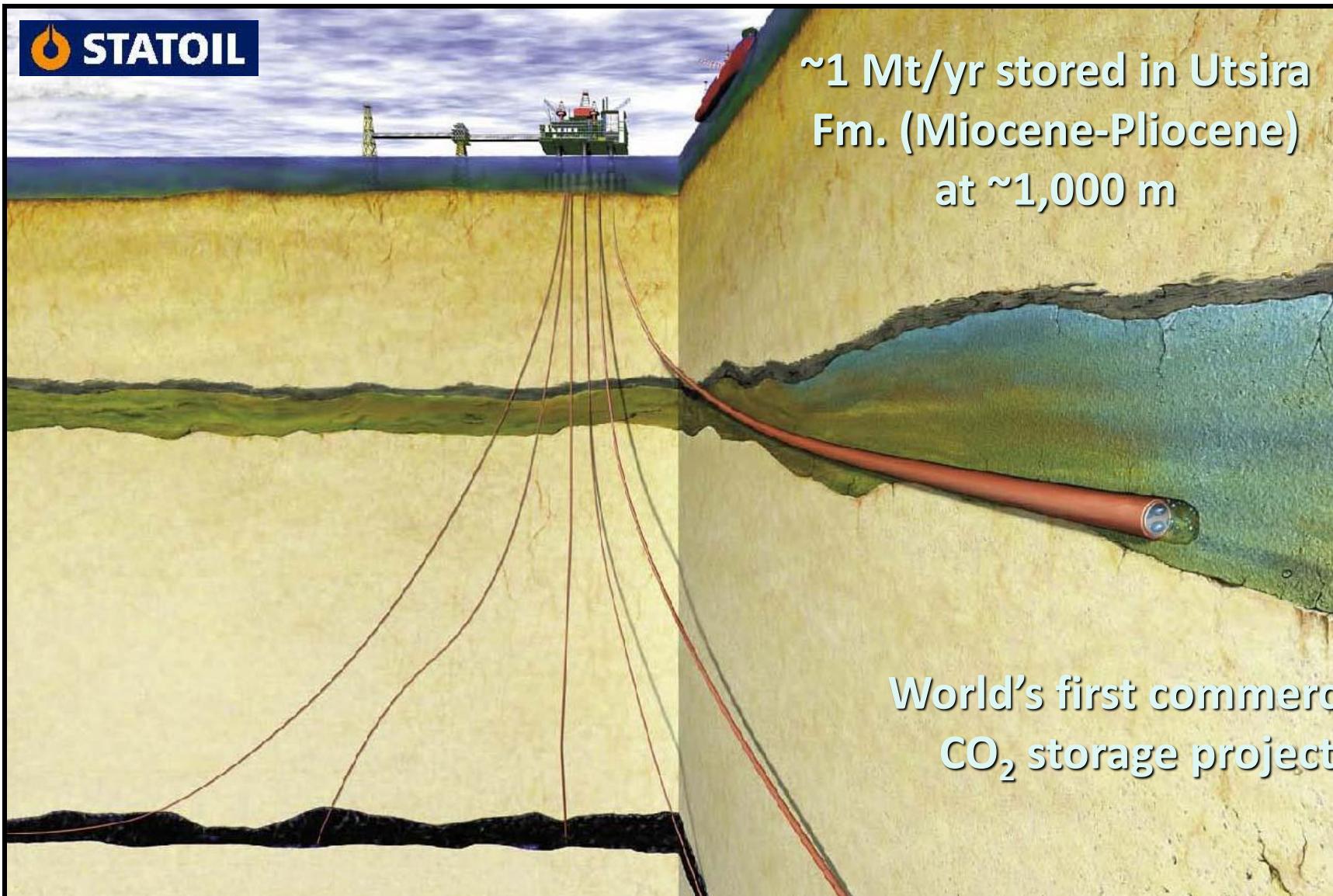
OFFSHORE DEVELOPMENT

Sleipner gas platform, North Sea

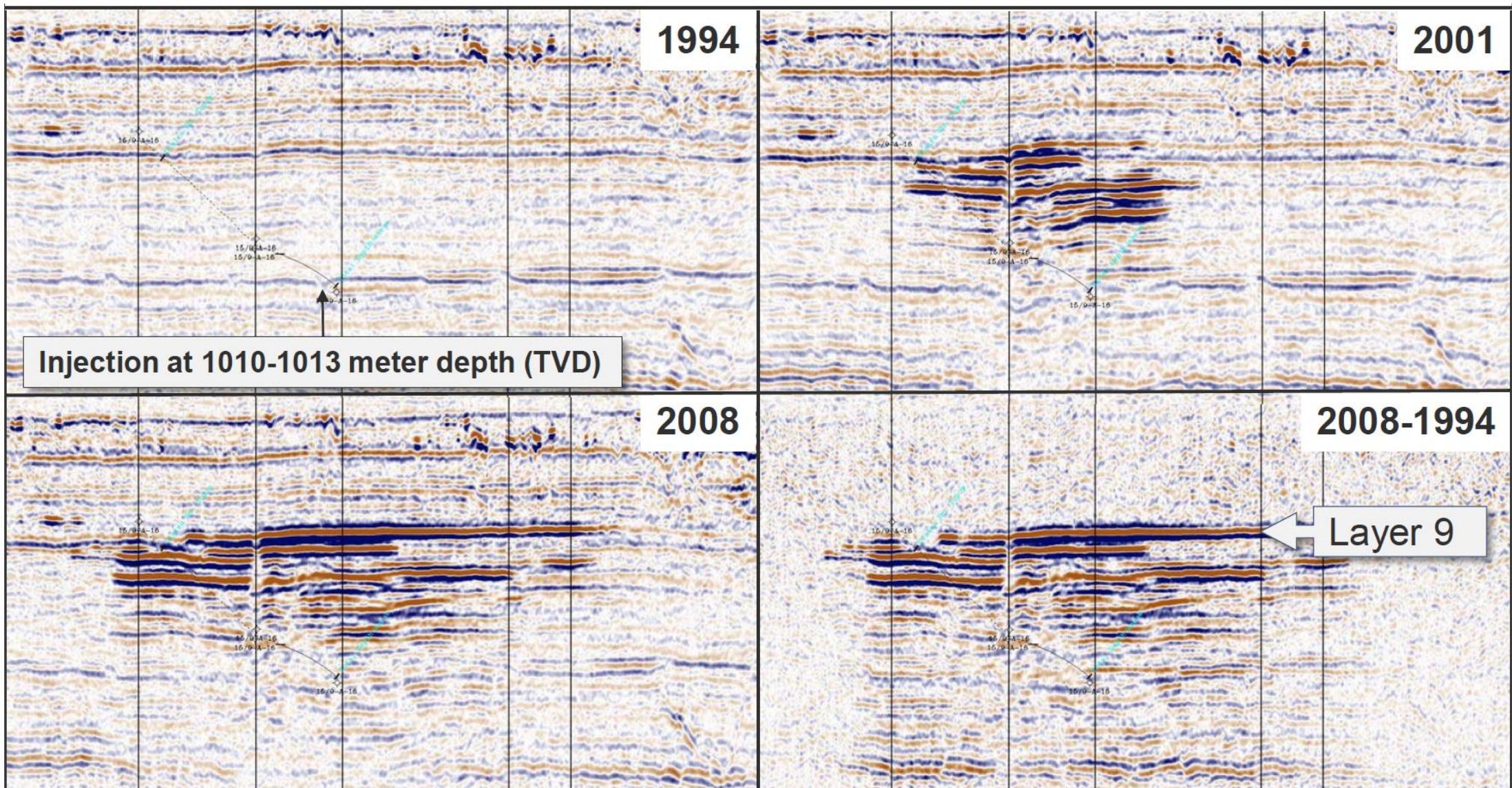


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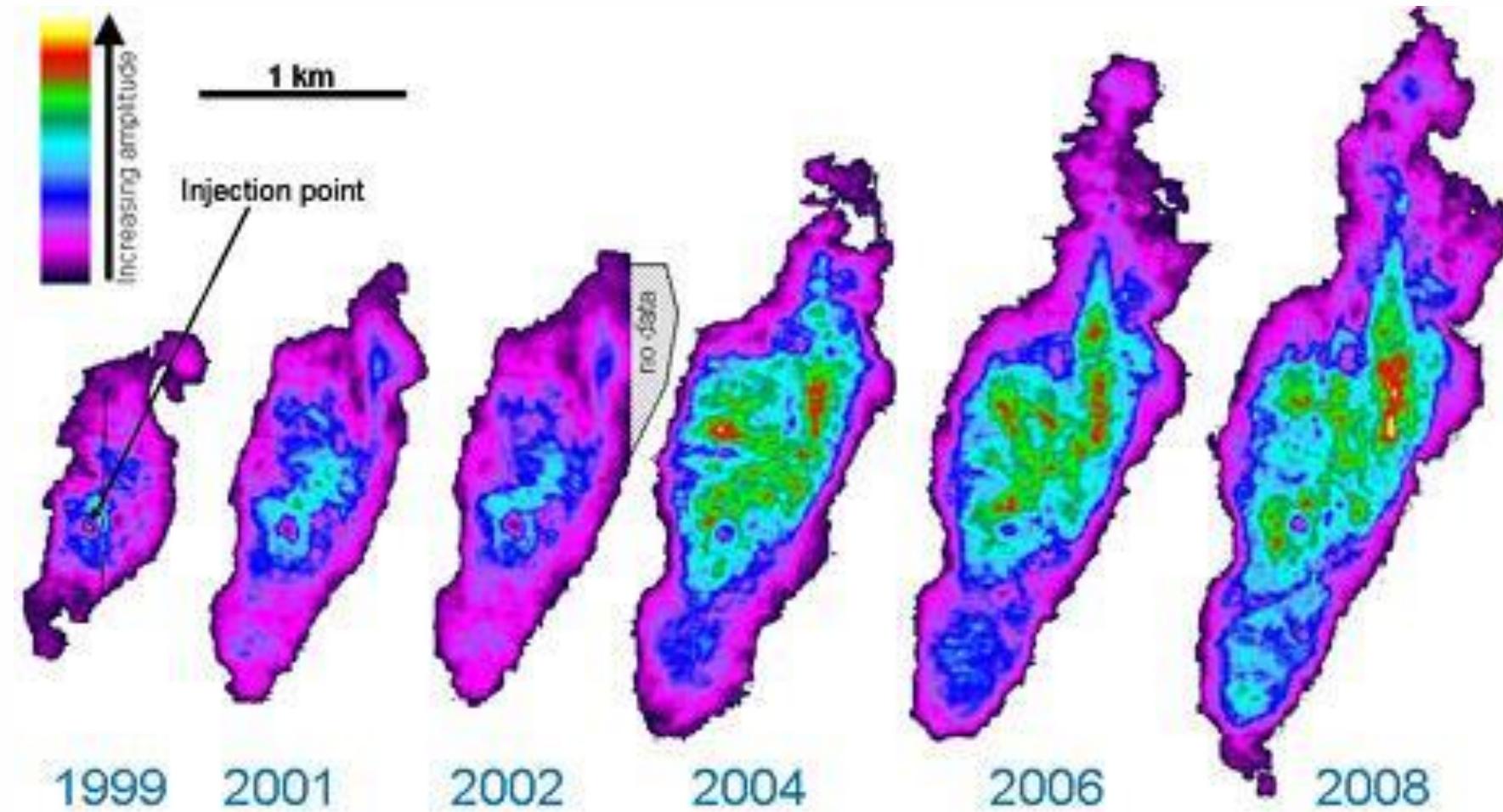
Offshore CO₂ Storage: Sleipner, North Sea



Sleipner Time-Lapse Seismic



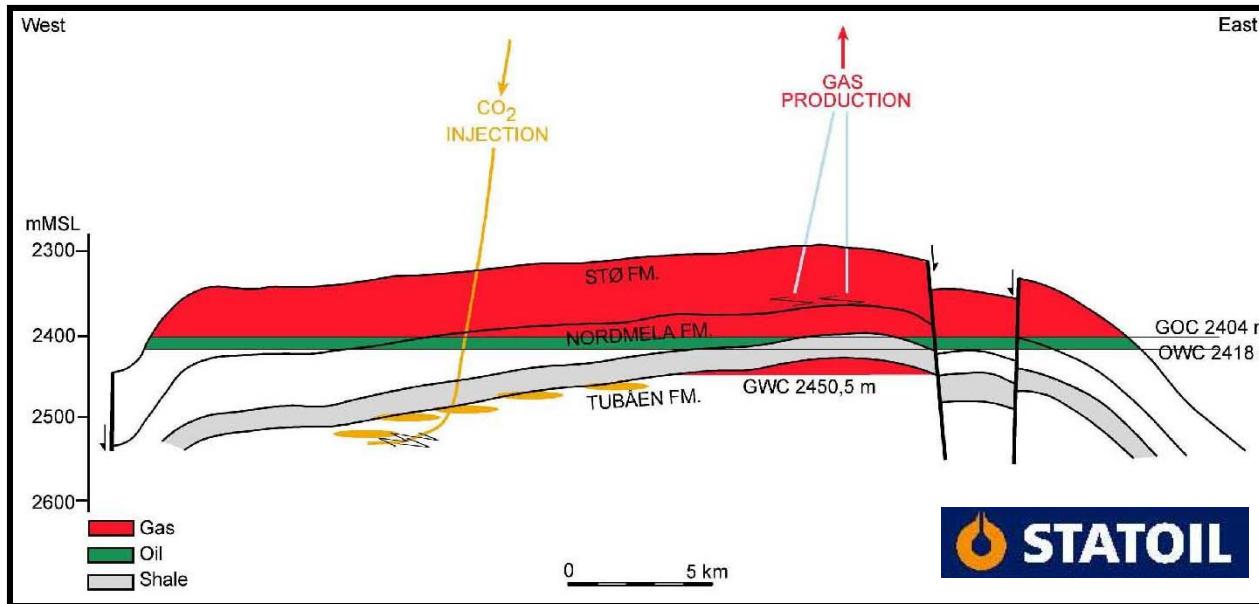
Sleipner Plume Footprint



Images of the dispersal of stored carbon dioxide through the Utsira formation since injection began more than 12 years ago. The colour scale shows seismic amplitudes, which correspond approximately to vertically summed thicknesses of carbon dioxide in the sandstone.

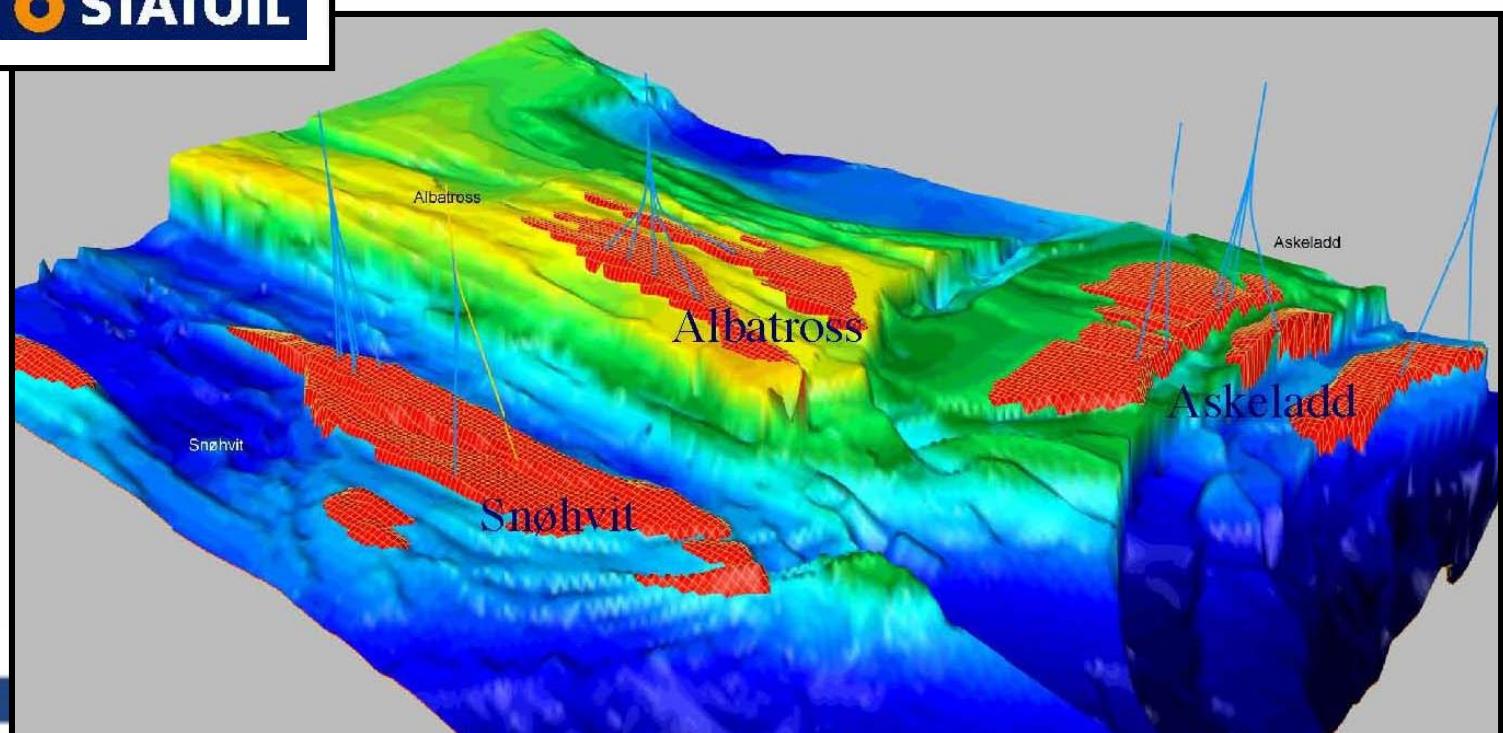
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Snøhvit Area, Barents Sea

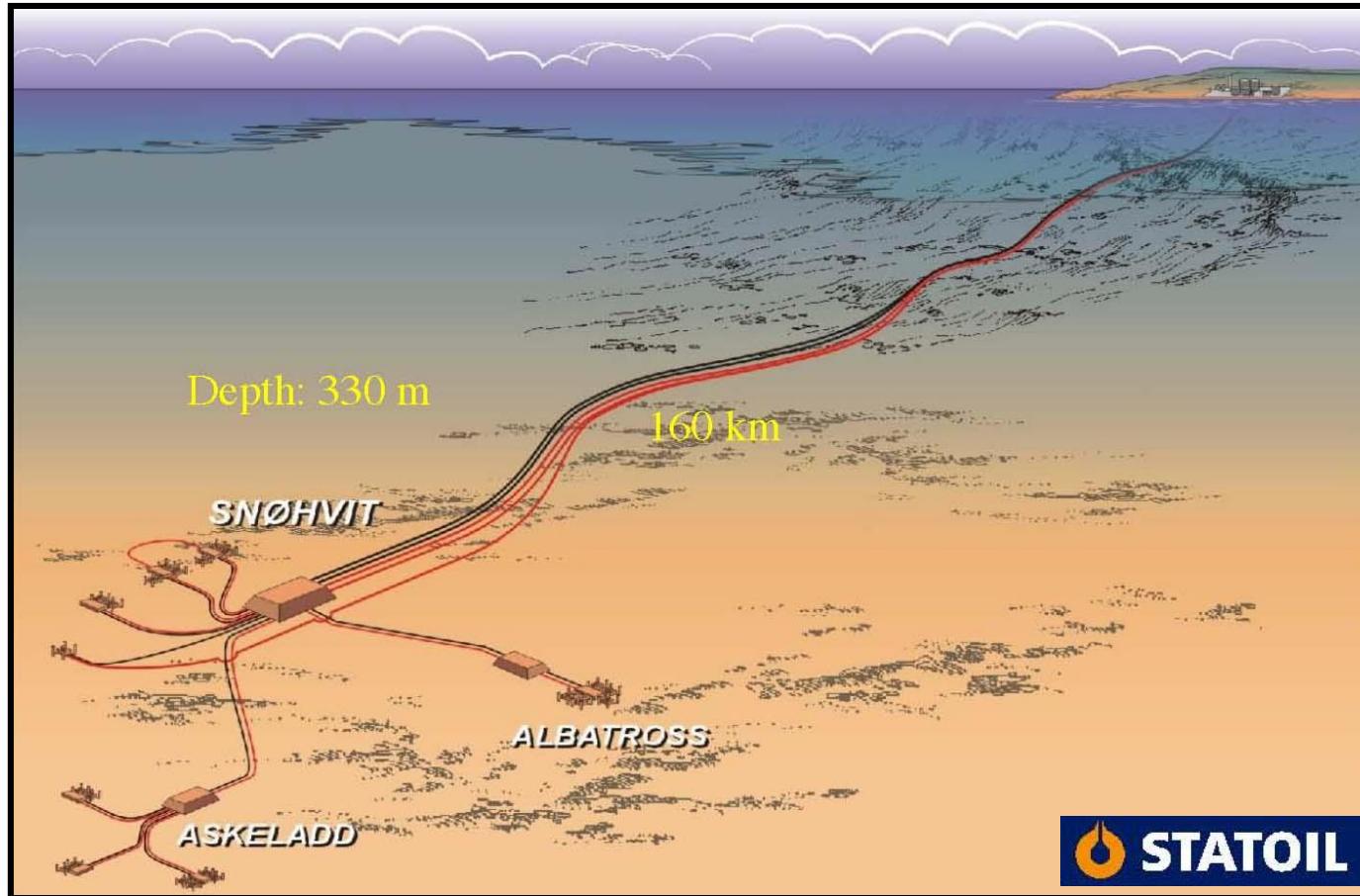


~0.7 Mt/yr stored in
Tubaen Fm. (Jurassic)
at ~2,600 m

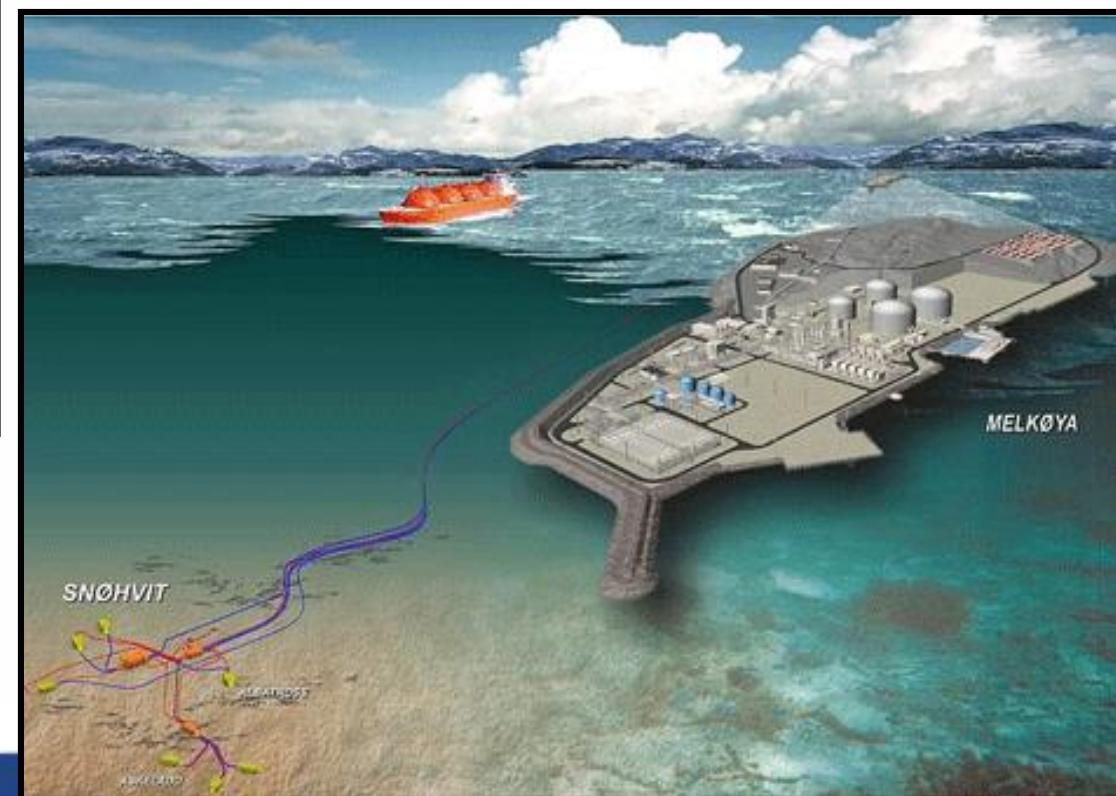
Kaarstad (2004)



Snøhvit LNG Infrastructure



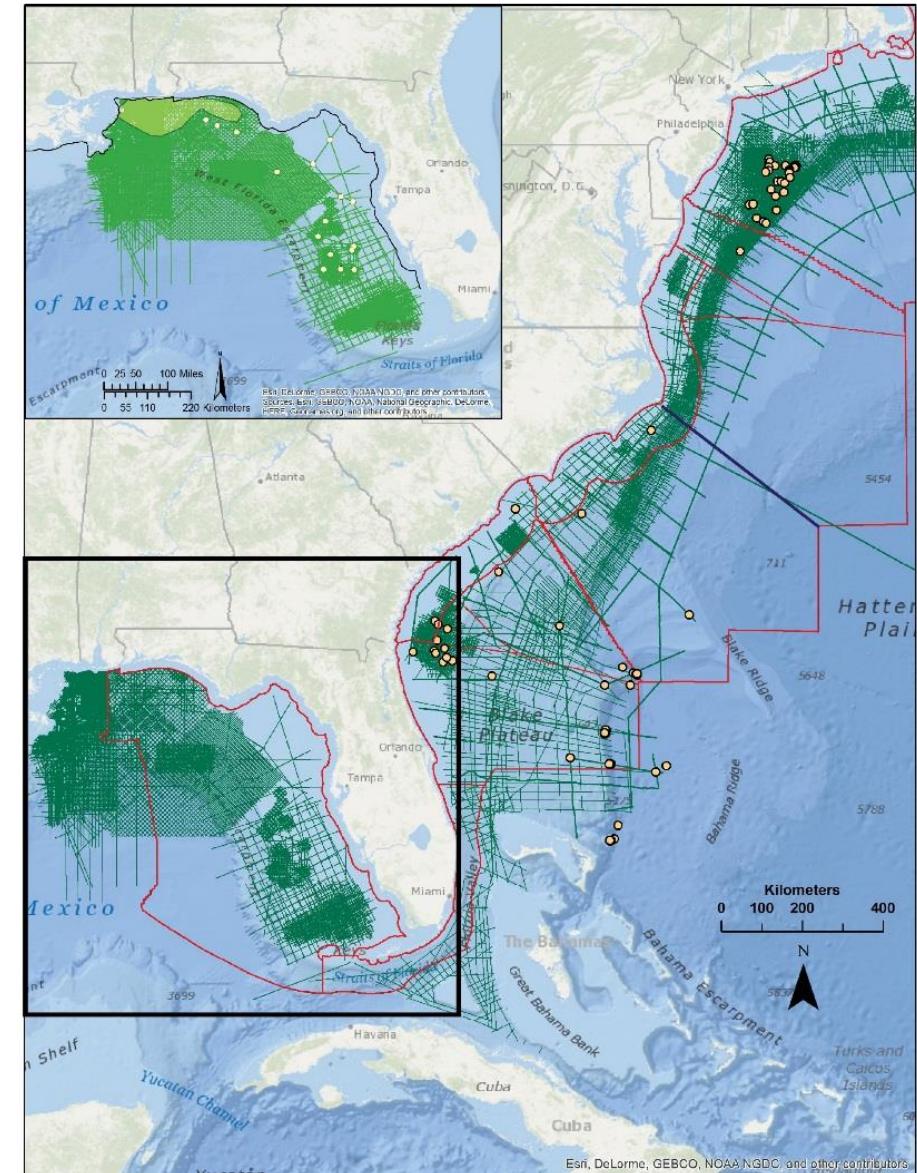
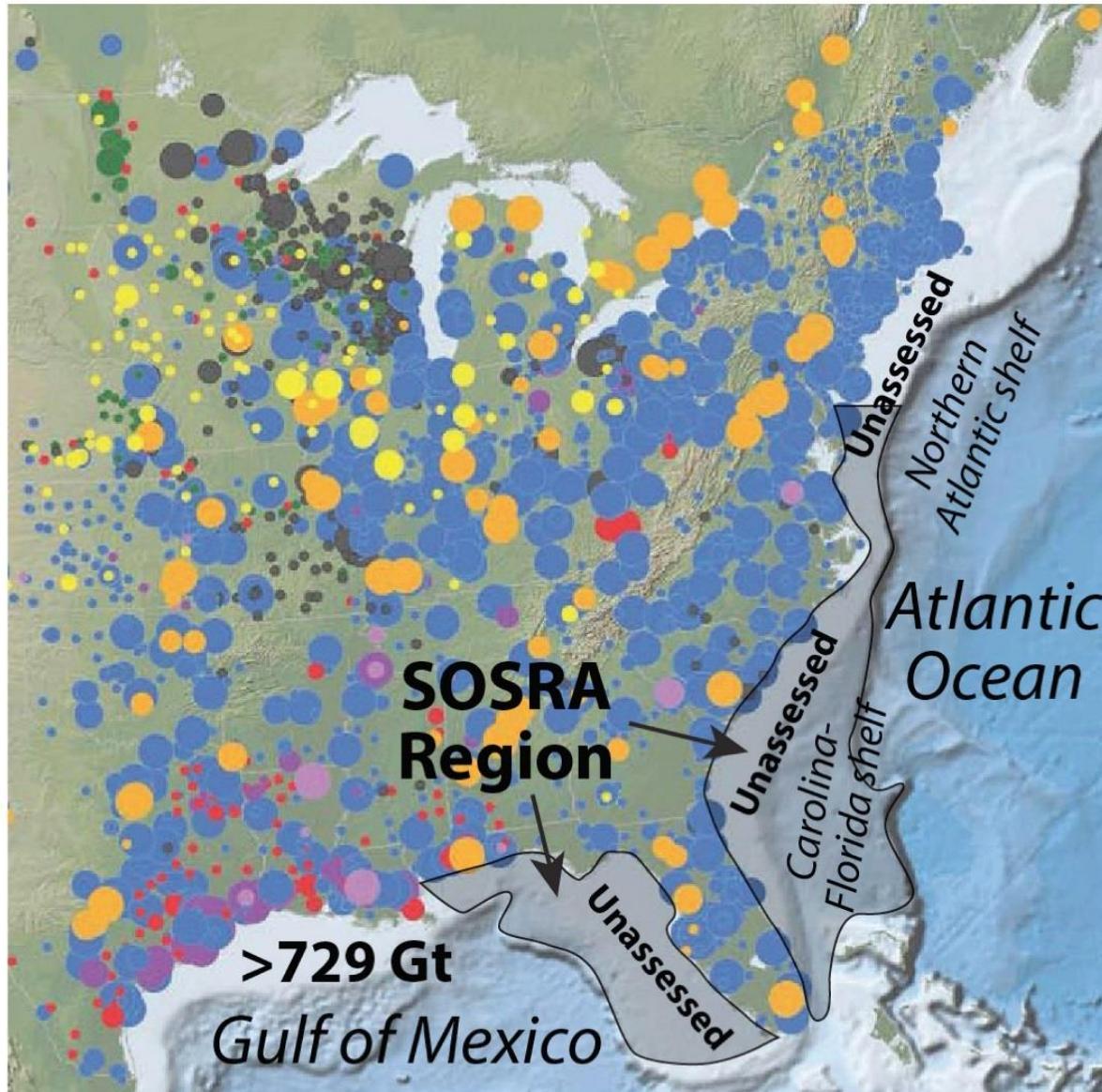
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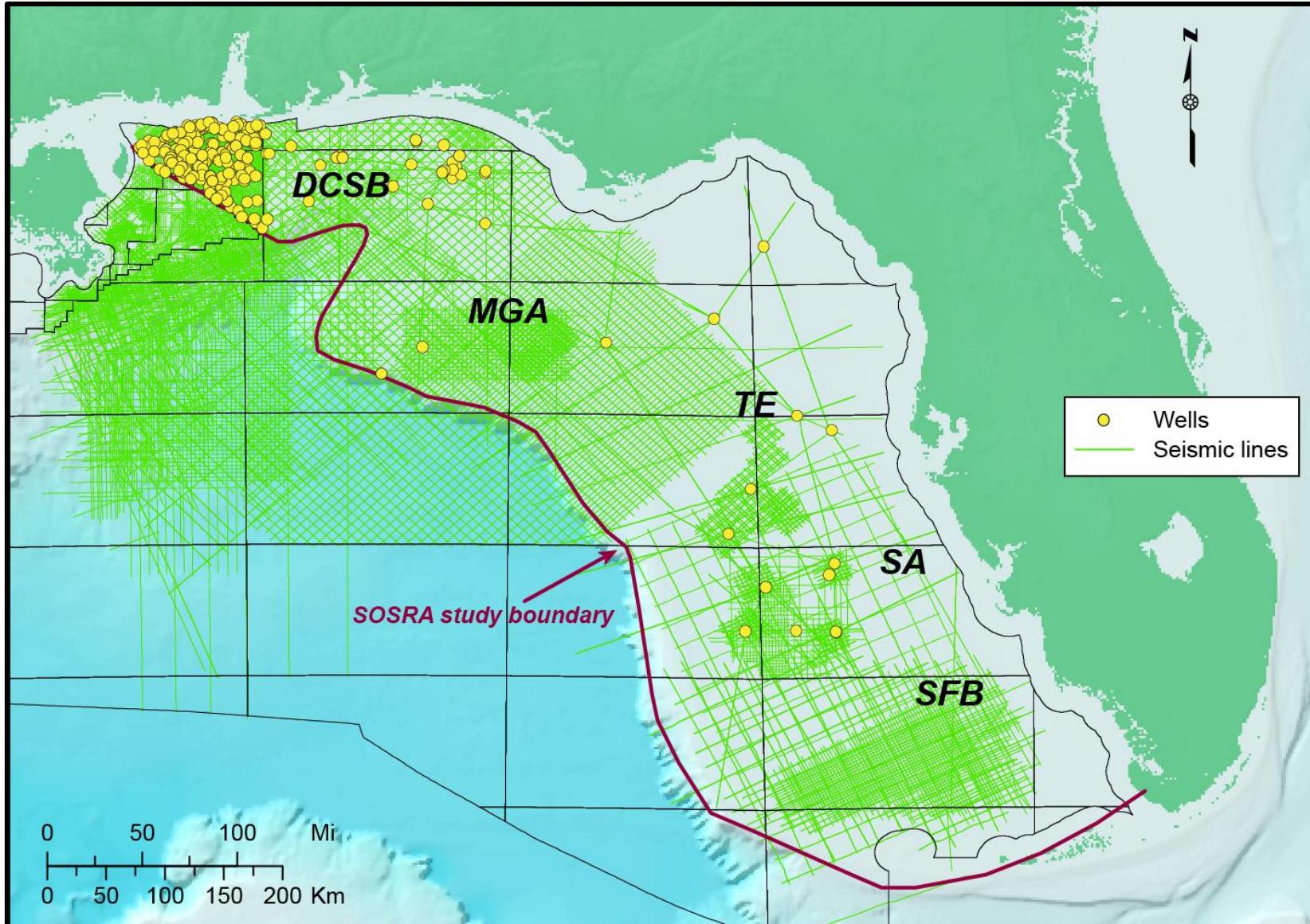
Why Offshore Reservoirs?

- Potentially giant CO₂ capacity
- Abundant stacked saline formations and depleted oil and gas reservoirs
- Significant infrastructure in place
- Proven offshore sequestration technology
- Favorable ownership and access

Summary – SOSRA



Study Area and Subregions



DCSB DeSoto Canyon Salt Basin

MGA Middle Ground Arch

TE Tampa Embayment

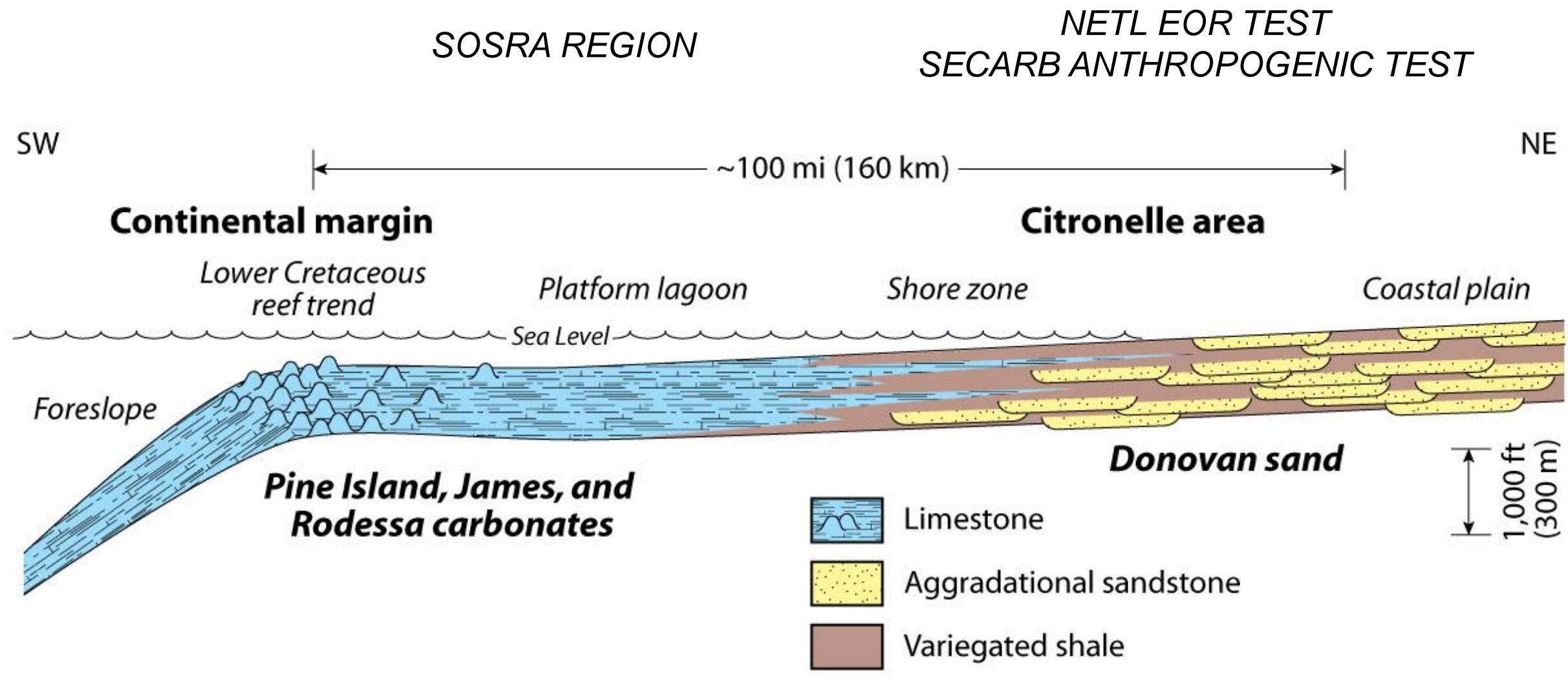
SA Sarasota Arch

SFB South Florida Basin

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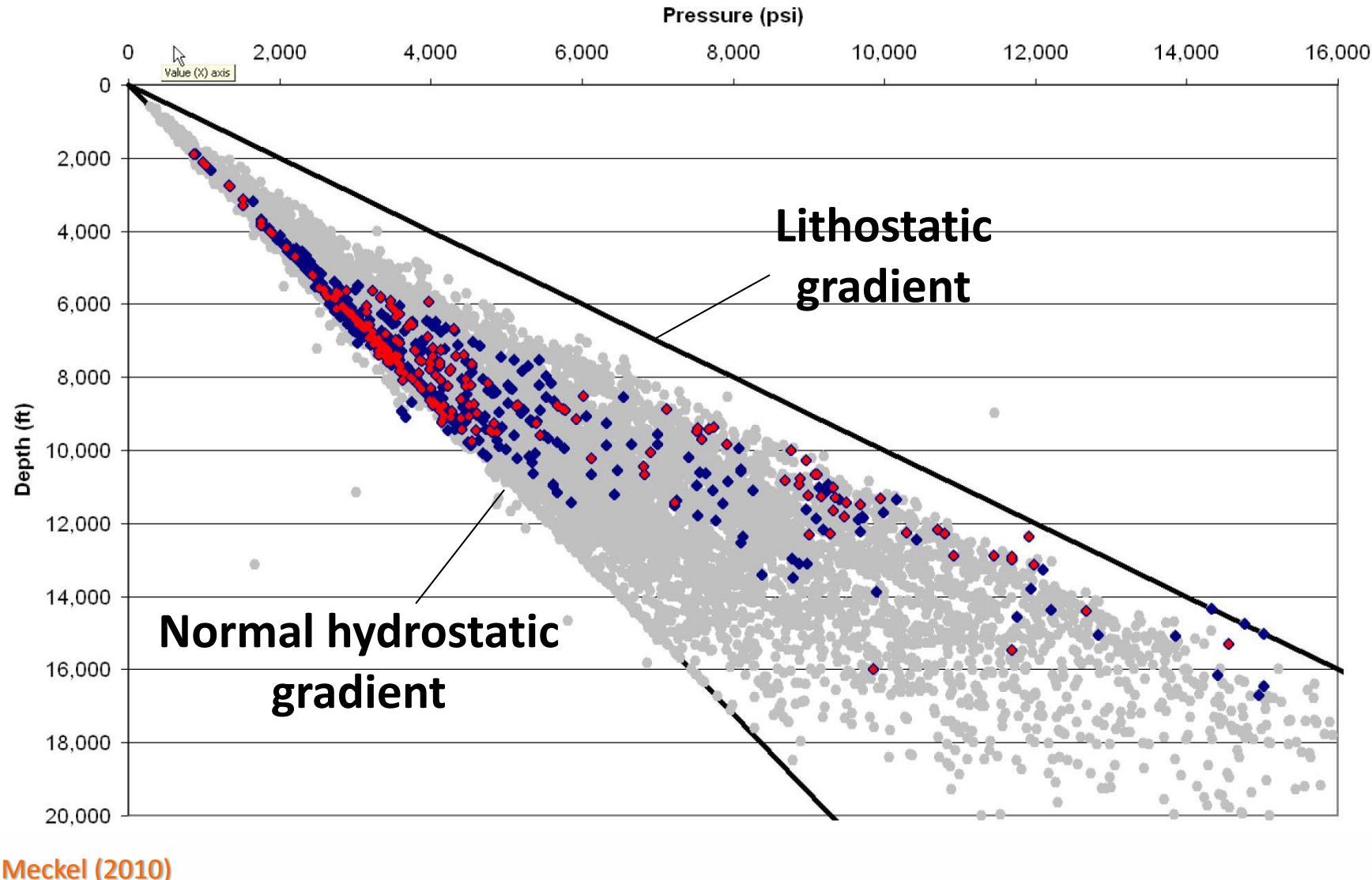
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Cretaceous Facies

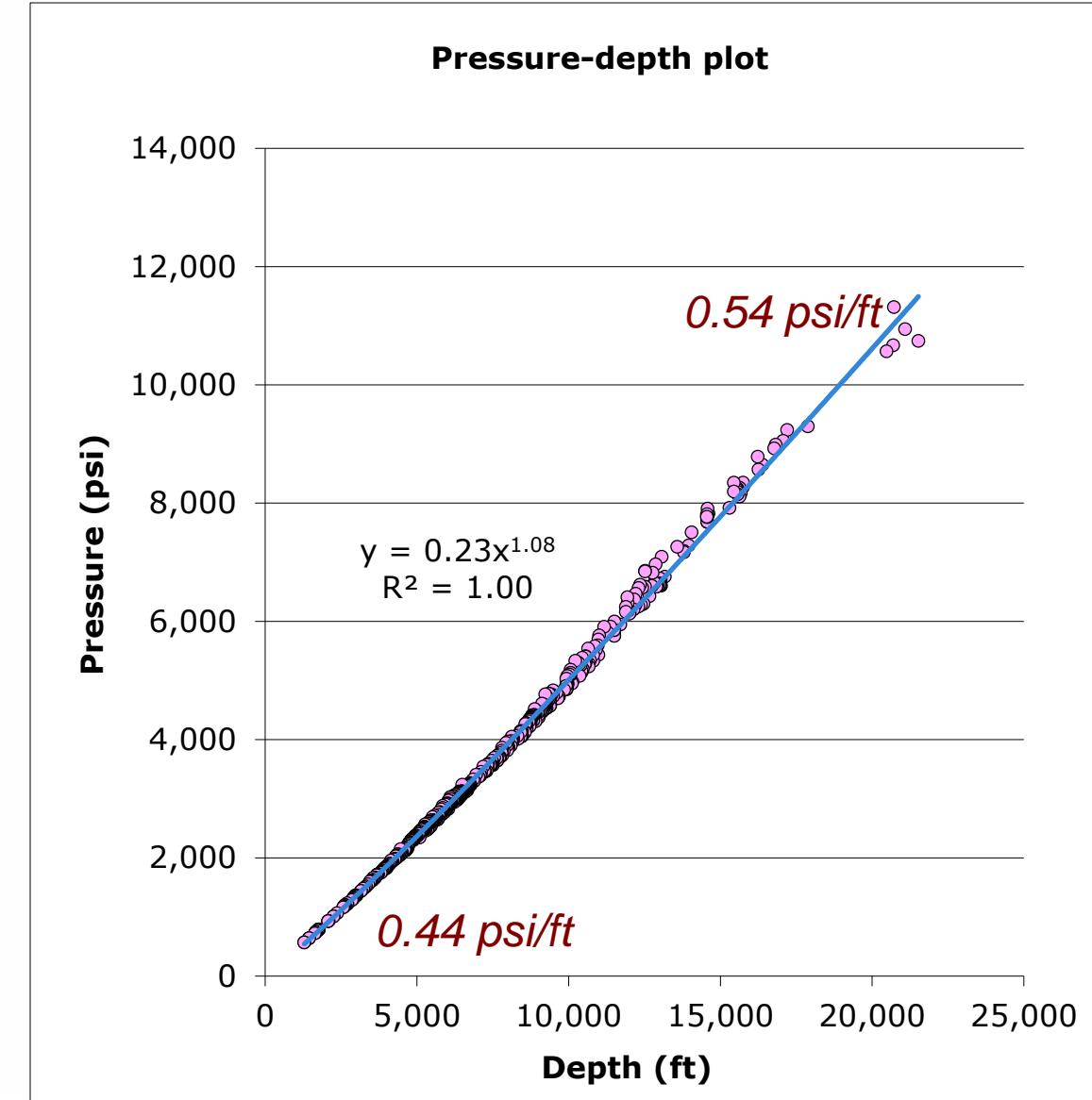
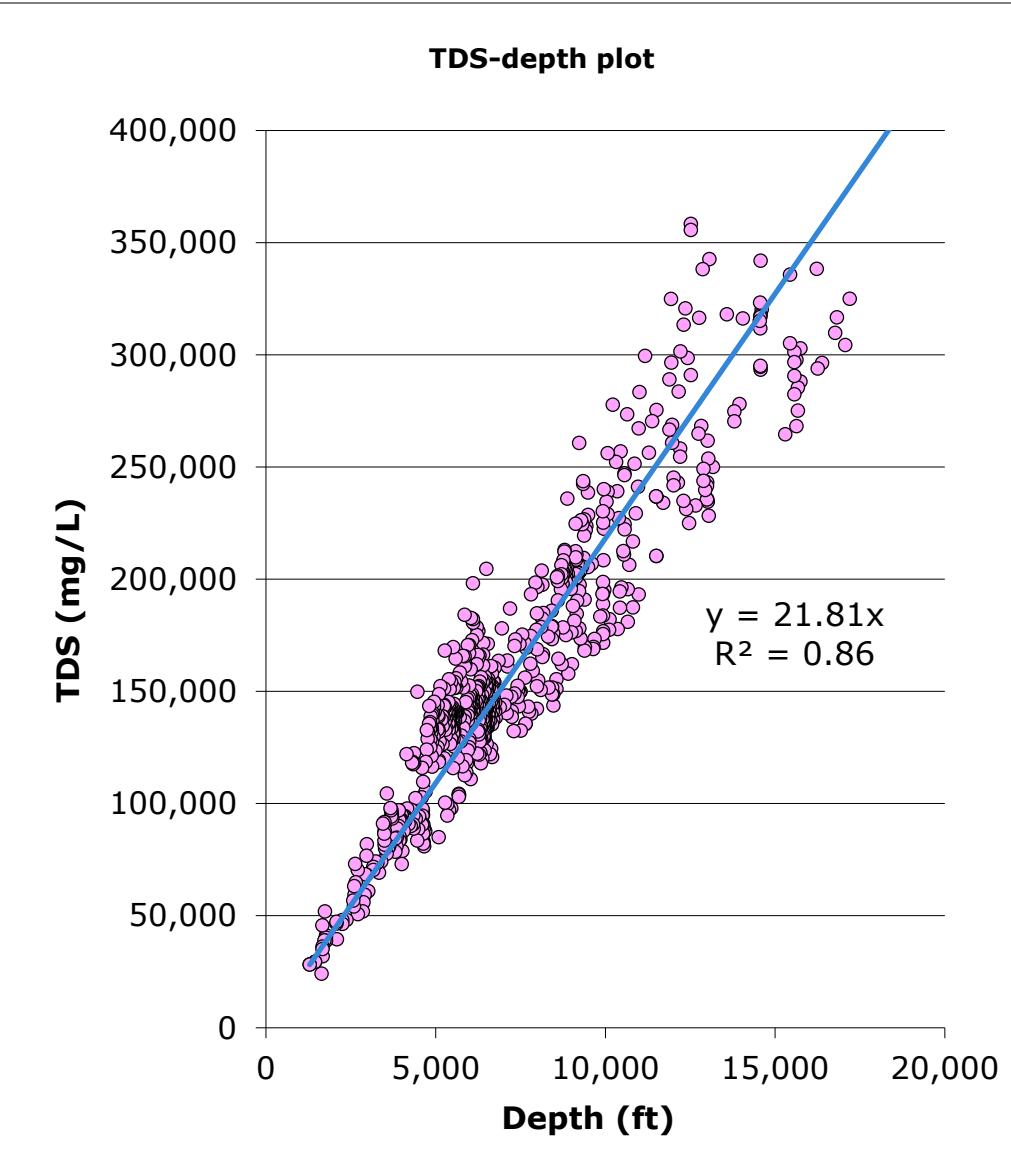


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Miocene Pressure Data, Gulf of Mexico

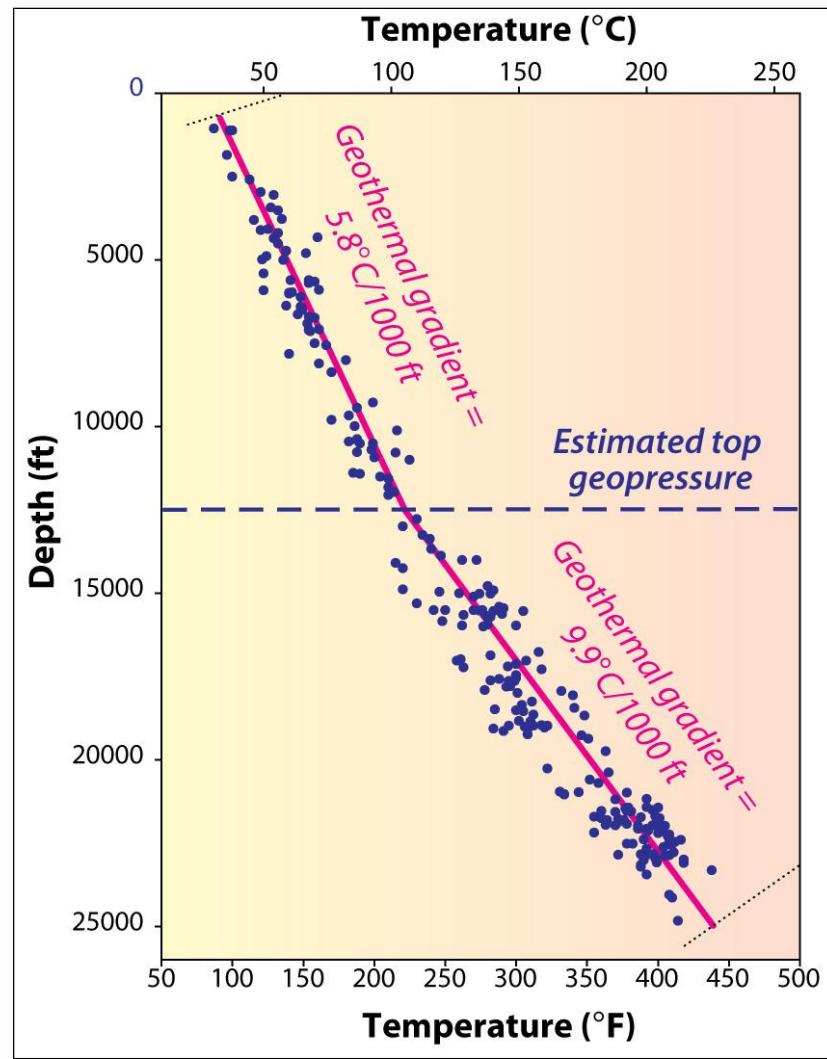


Normal Brine, Pressure Gradients, Onshore Eastern Gulf

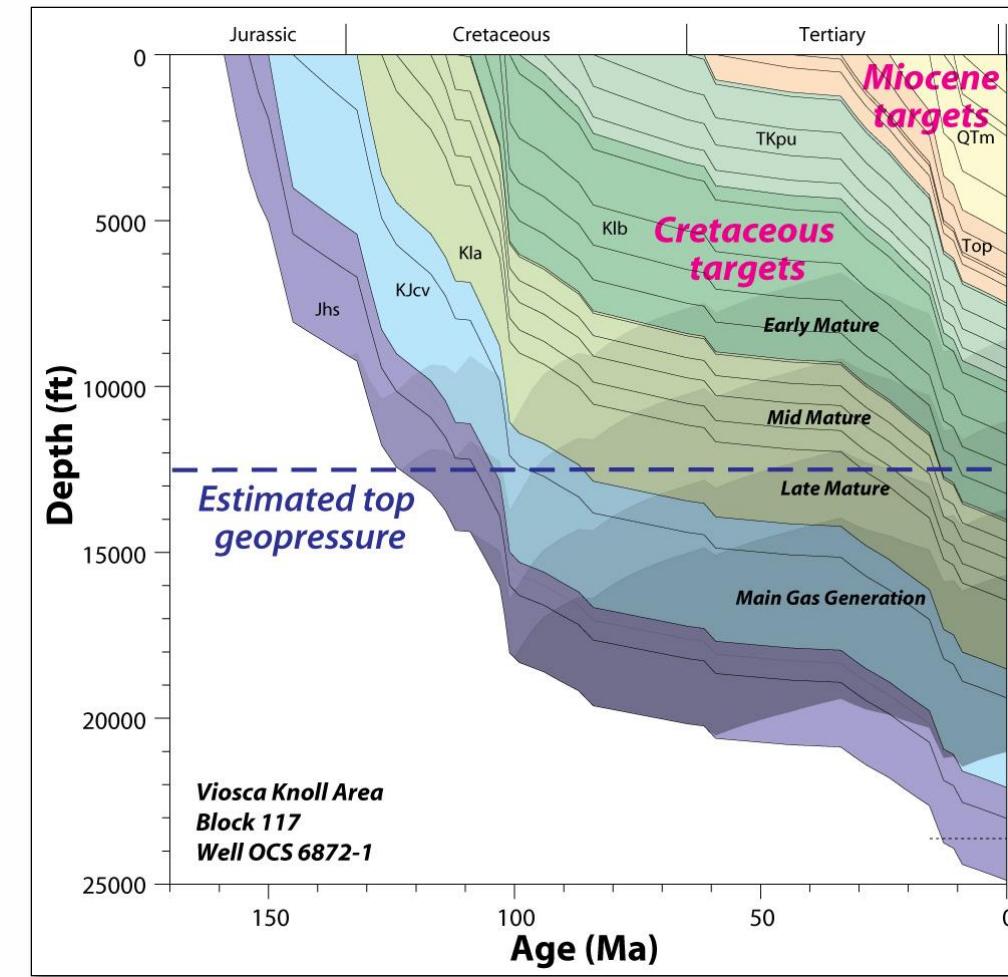


Geothermal and Burial Data, DCSB

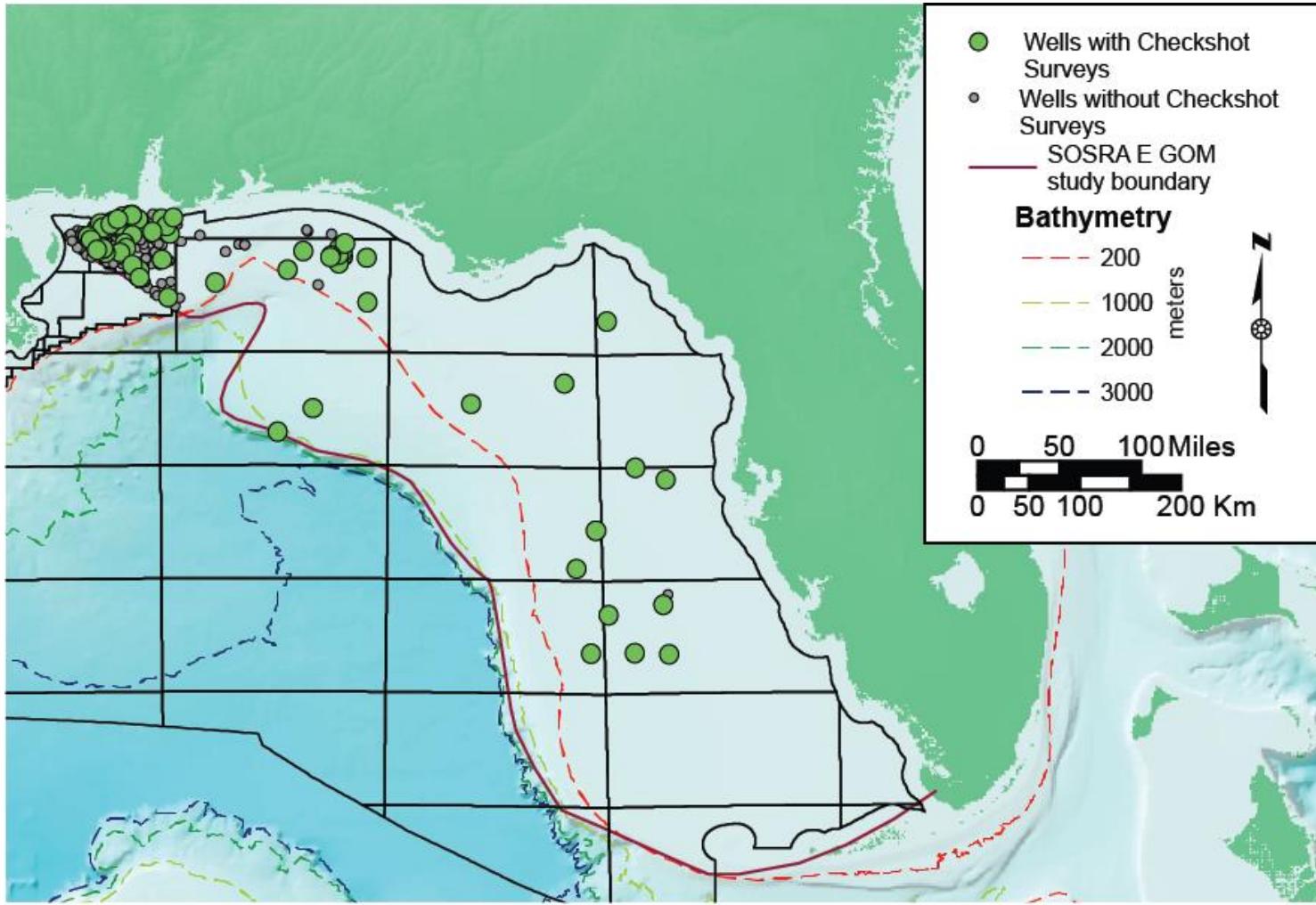
Temperature-depth profile



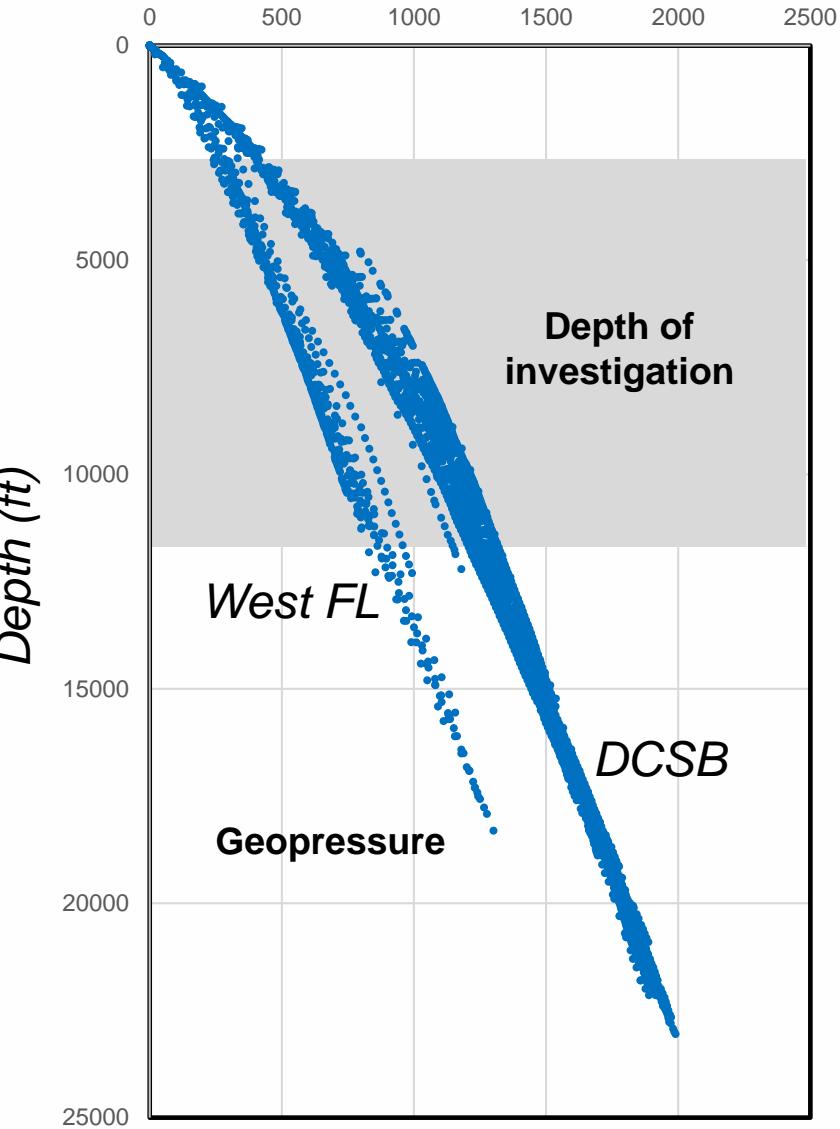
Burial history curve



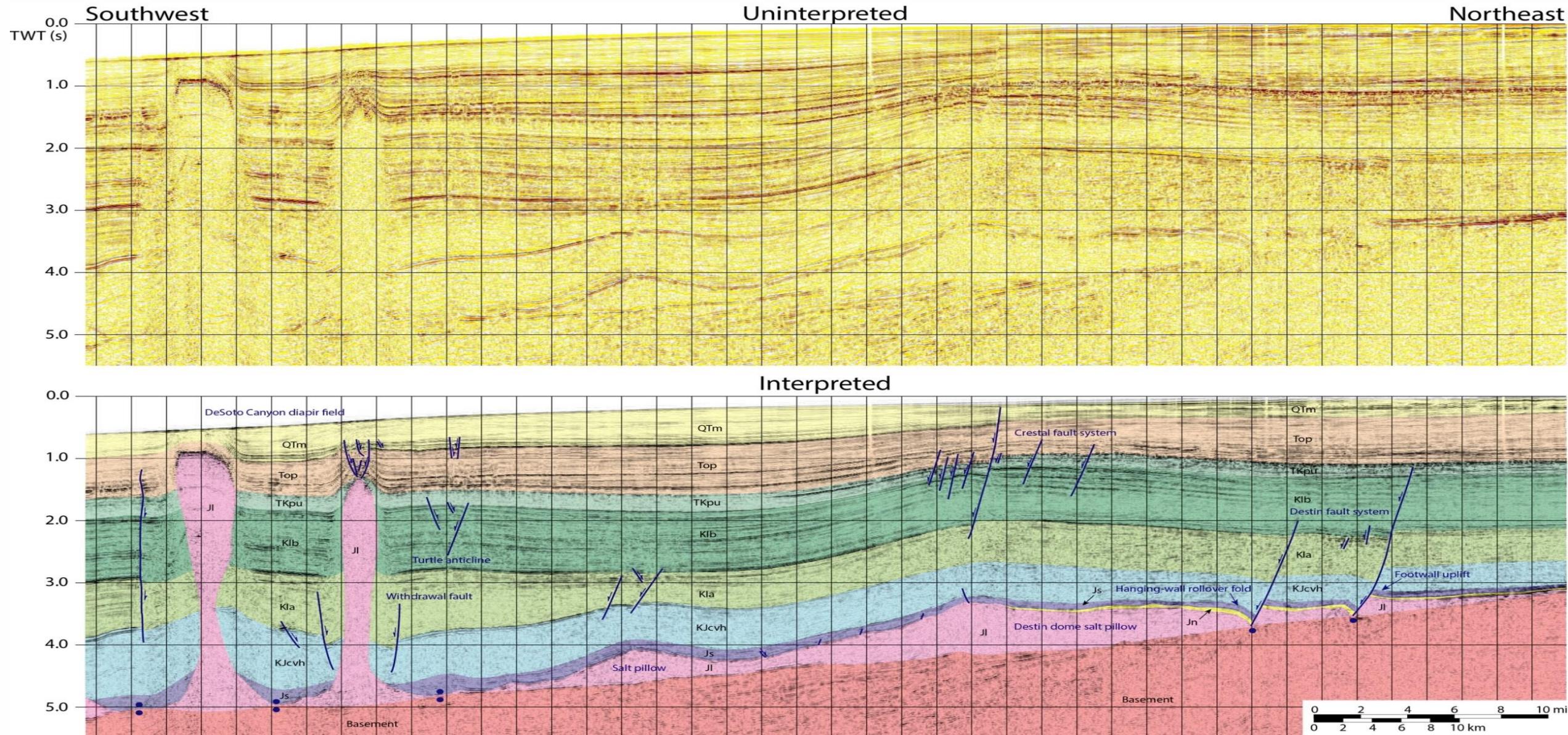
Seismic Velocity Surveys



One-Way Travel Time (ms)

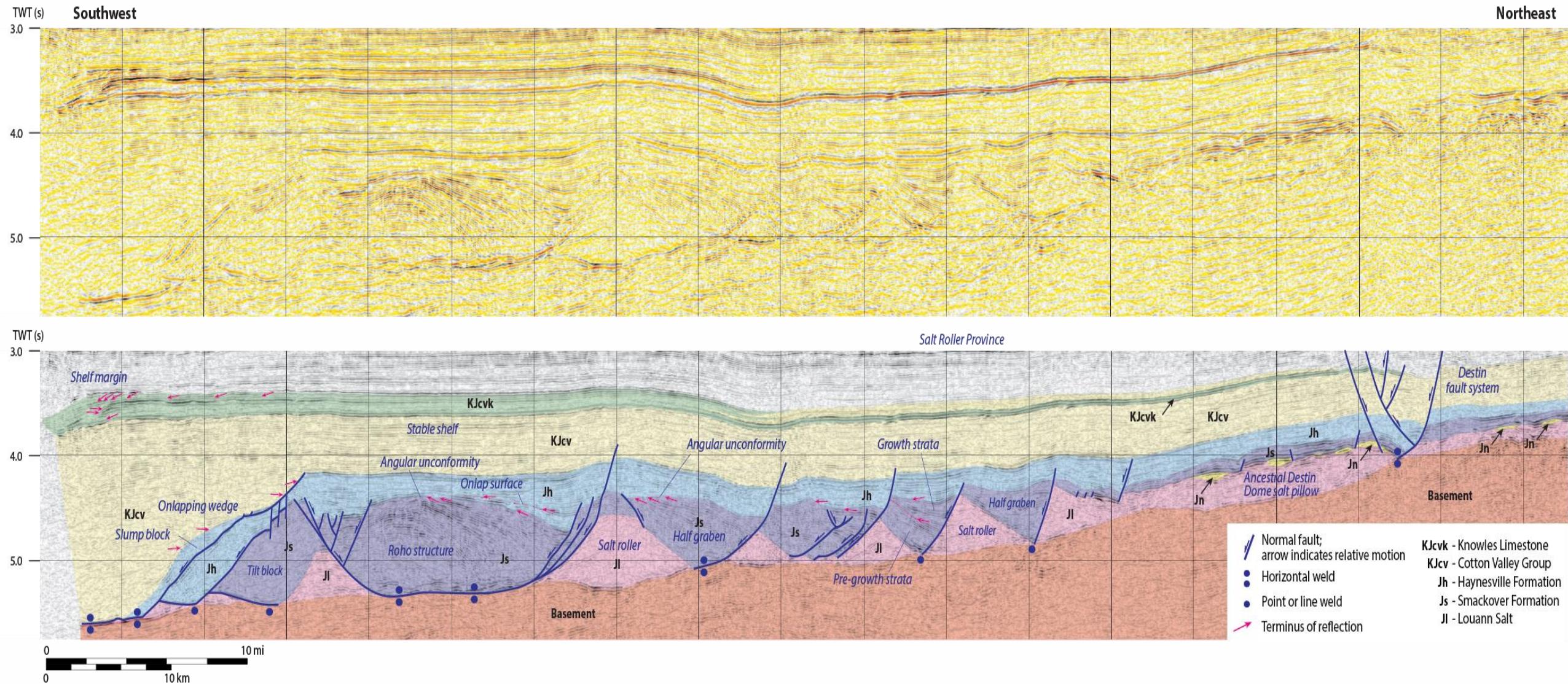


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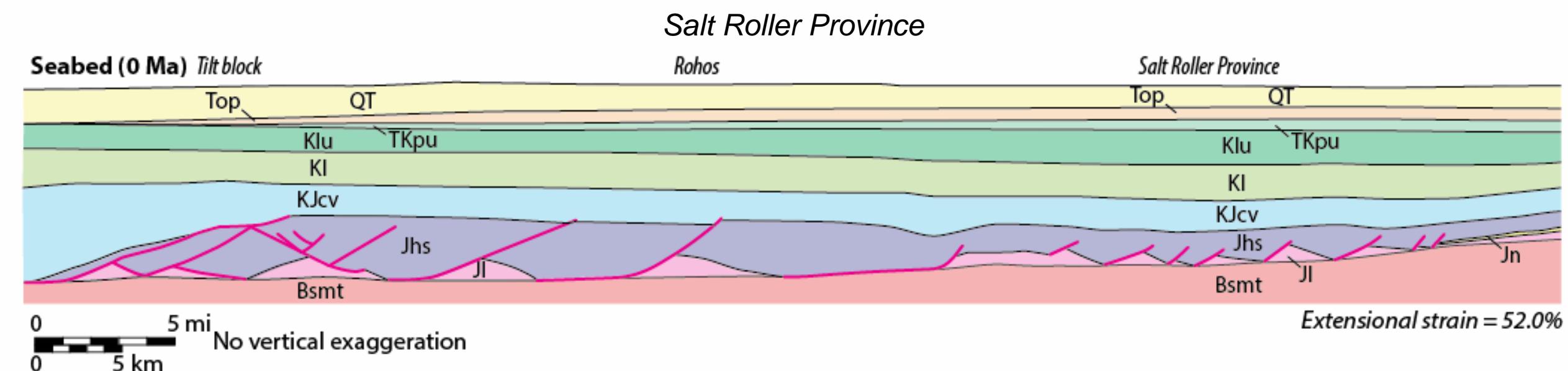
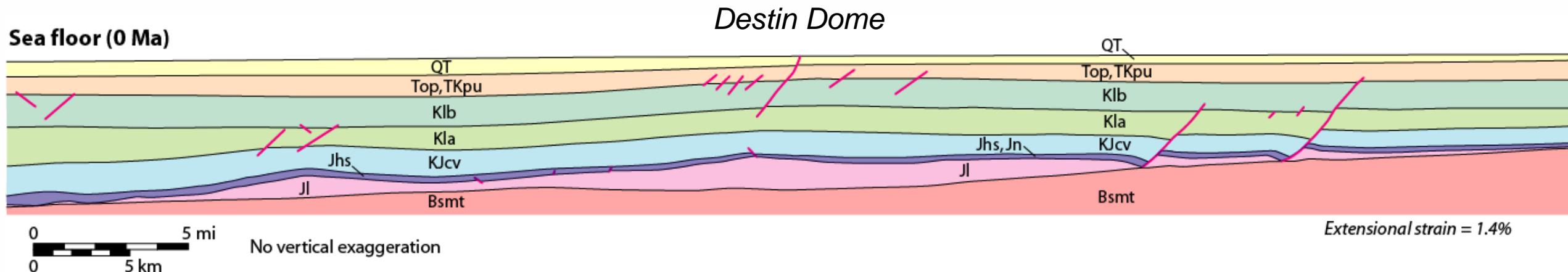


DCSB Salt Roller Province

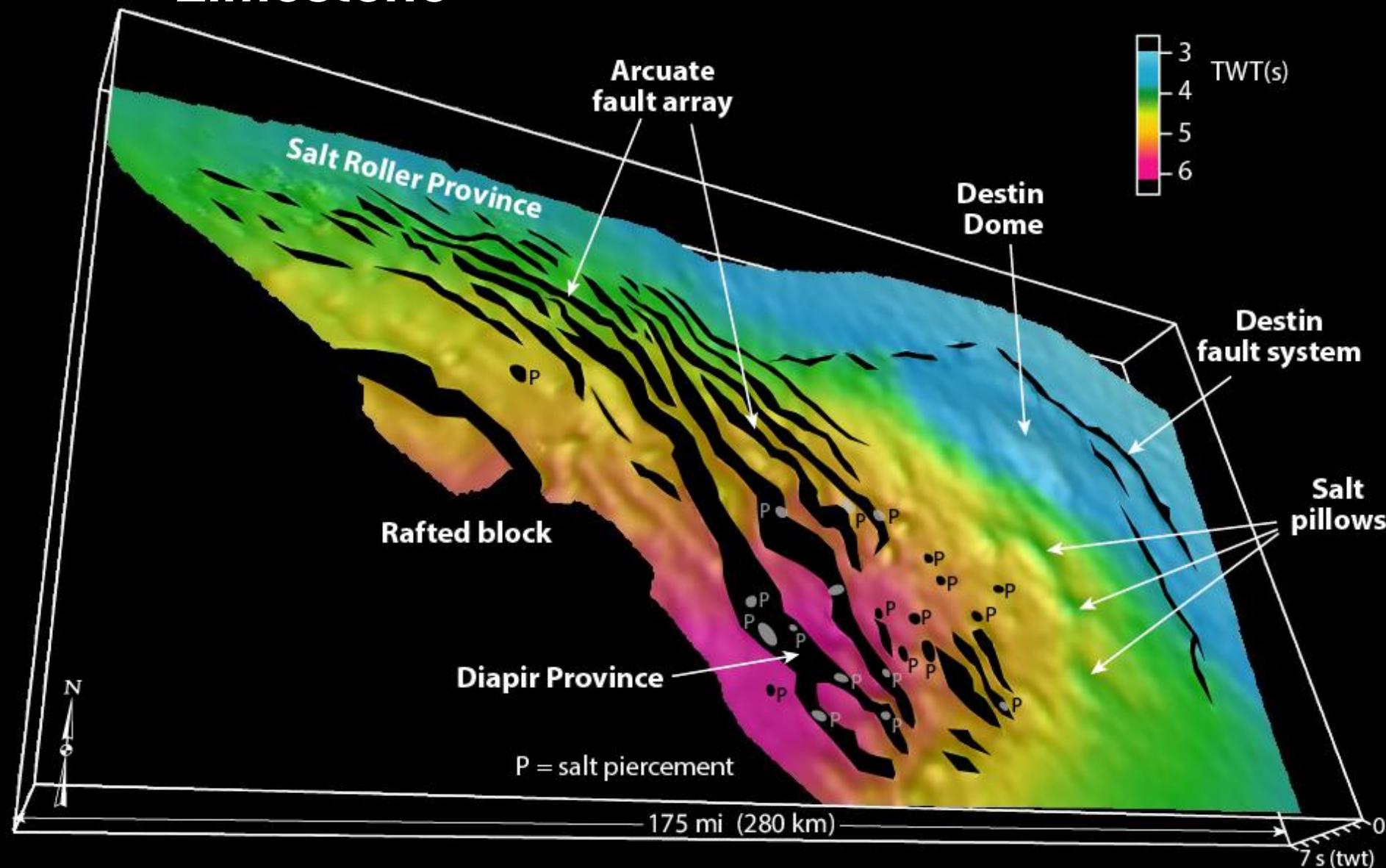
C. Destin Fault System-salt roller province transect (Line d8519)



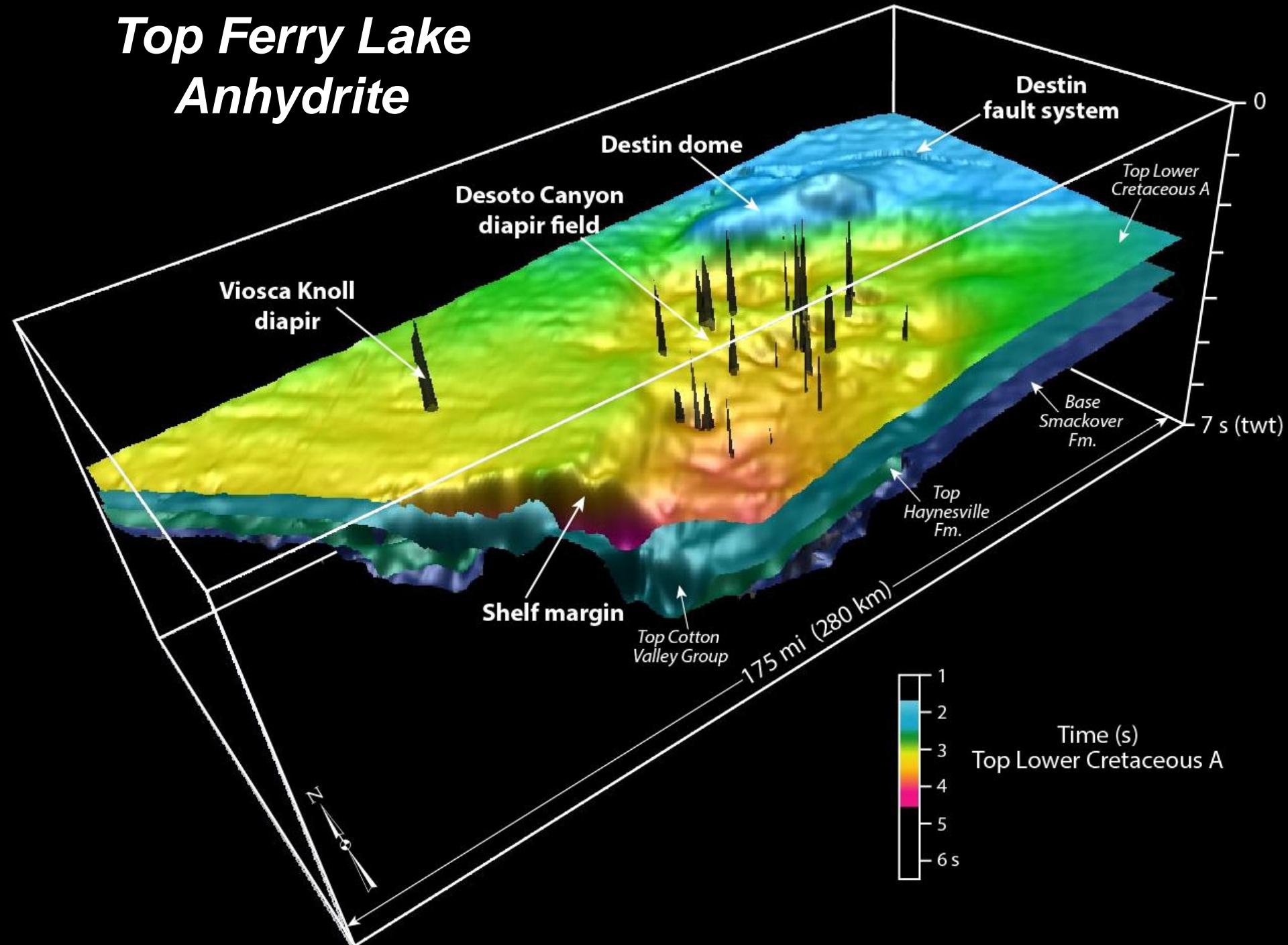
Depth Converted Structural Cross Sections, DeSoto Canyon Salt Basin



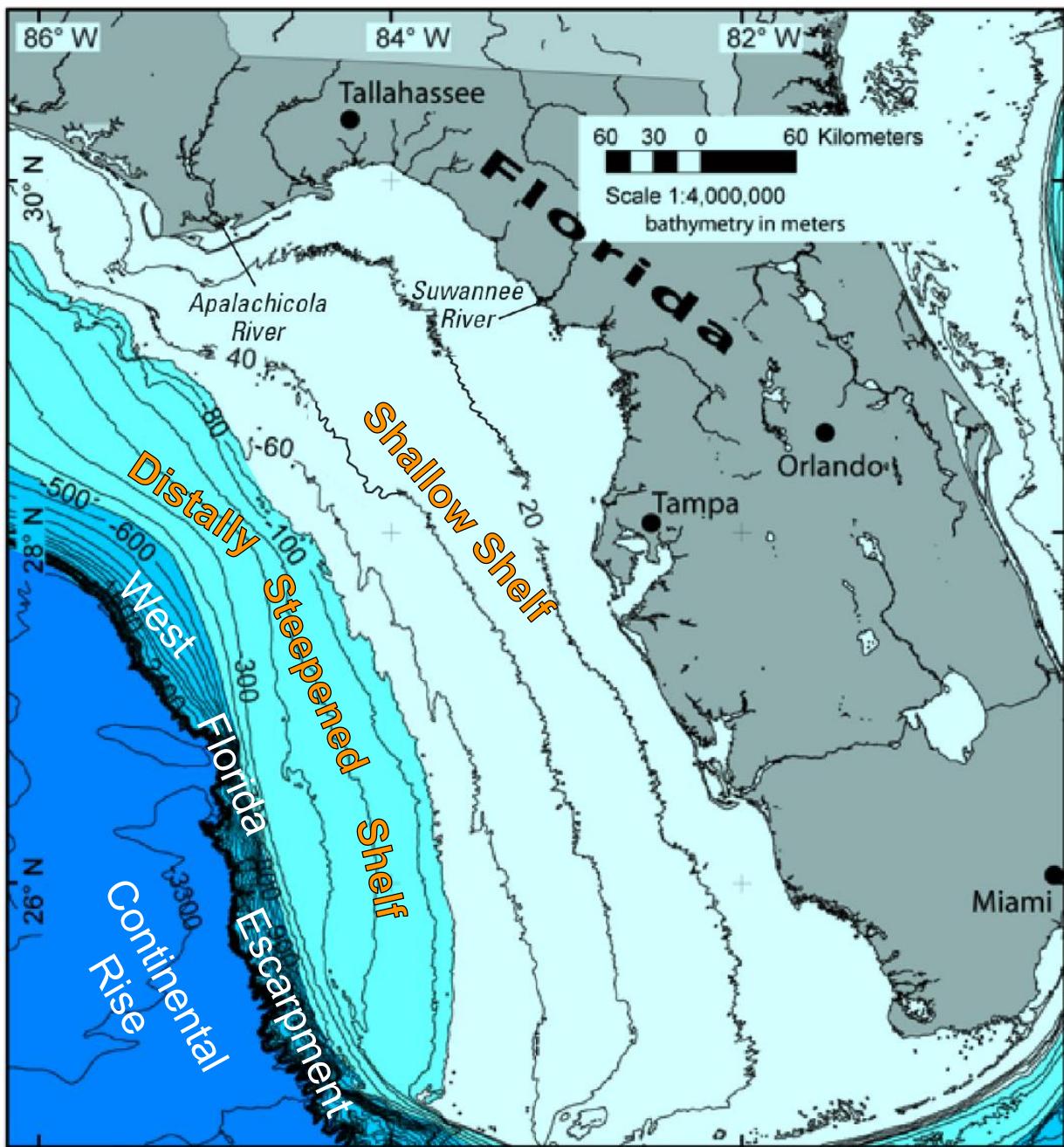
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Top Ferry Lake Anhydrite

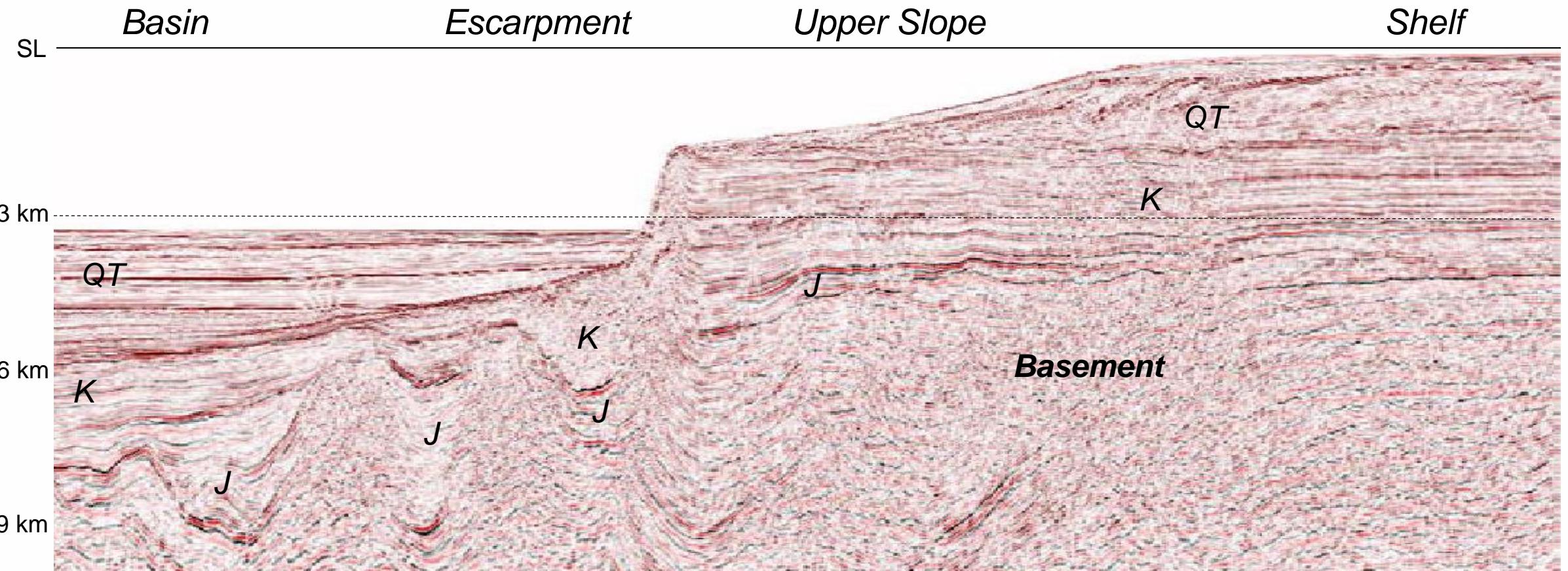


West Florida Shelf Bathymetry



- Broad, shallow, region near shore (NE of 80 m contour).
- Distally steepening outer shelf leading to West Florida Escarpment.

West Florida Shelf-Escarpment



VE ~4x

Roberts and Erickson (2009)

Data Quality – West Florida

South

North

TWT (s)

0

1

2

3

Paleokarst

Channels

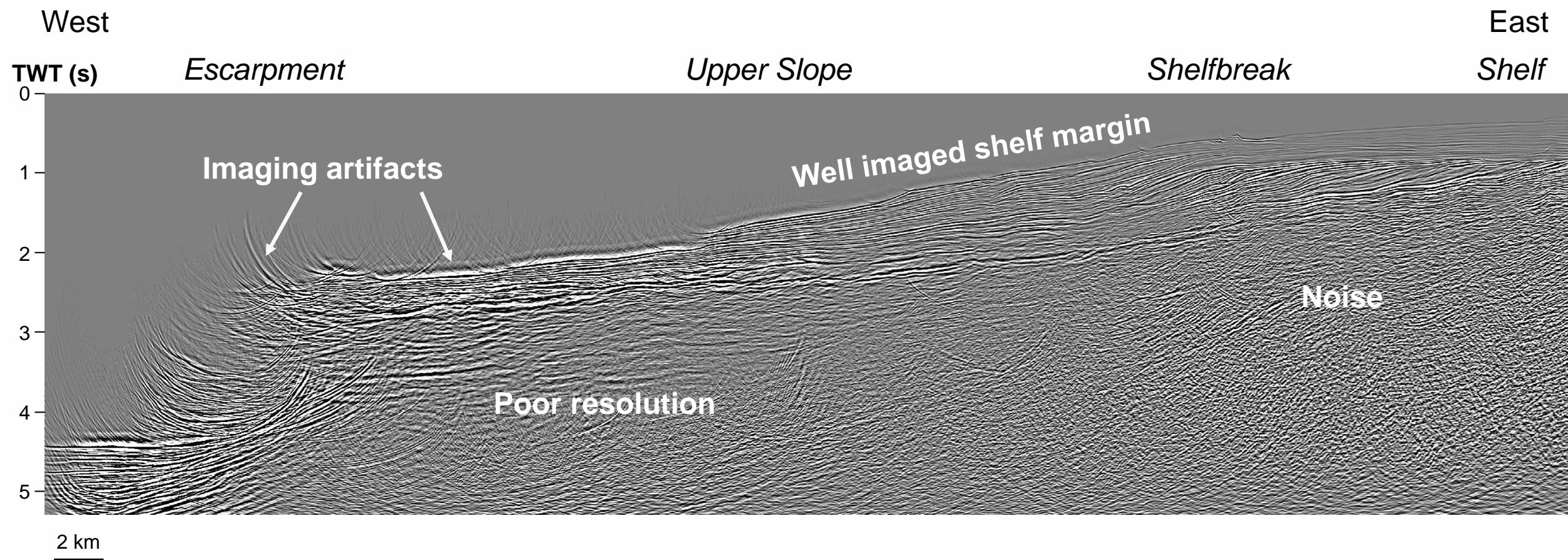
Noise

Poor resolution

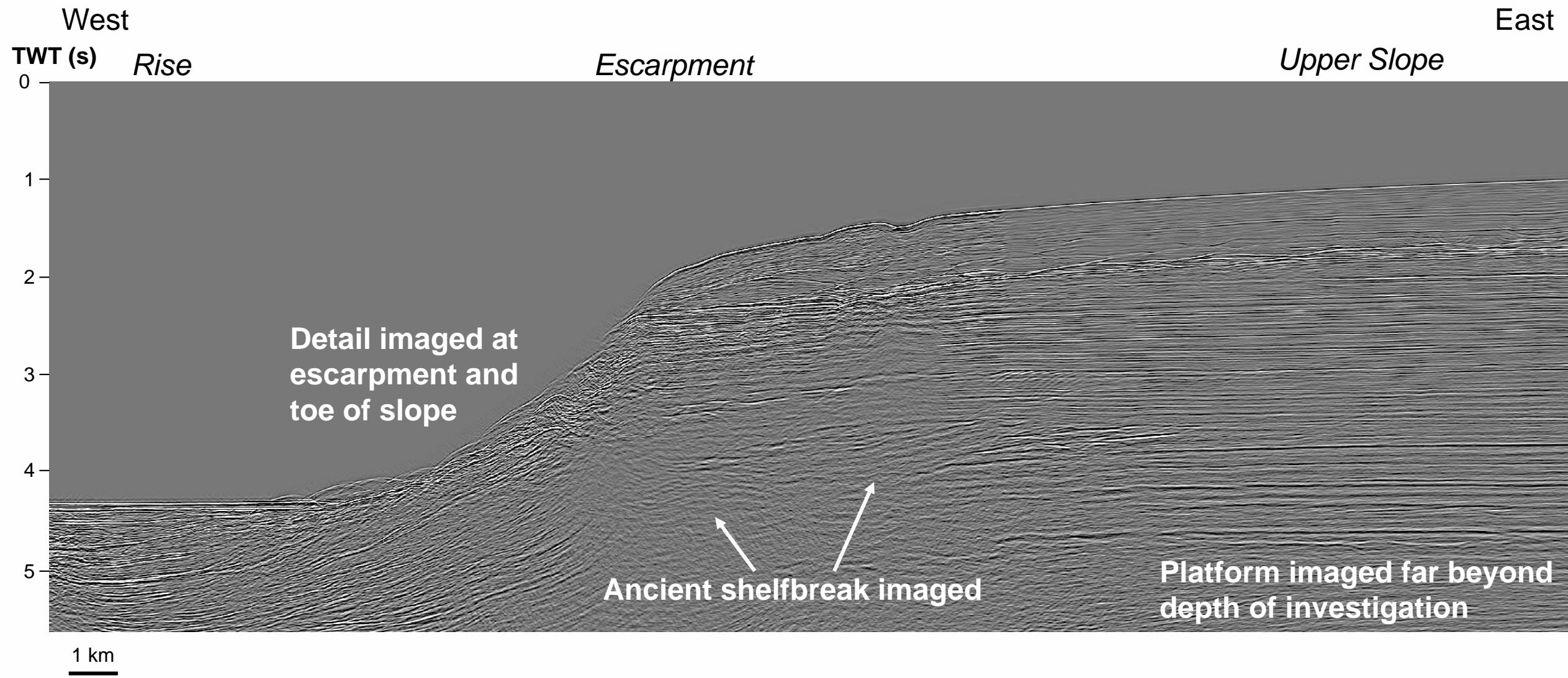
**Coherent imaging beyond
depth of investigation**

1 km

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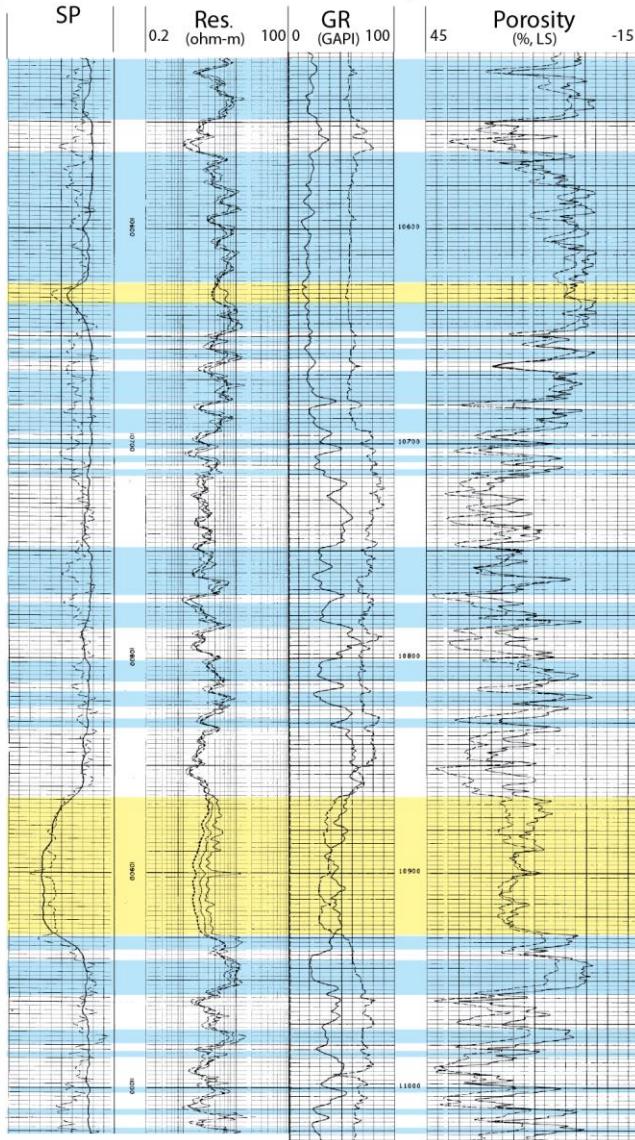


Data Quality – West Florida



Prospective EGOM Sinks

Well G02468, Desoto Canyon Salt Basin



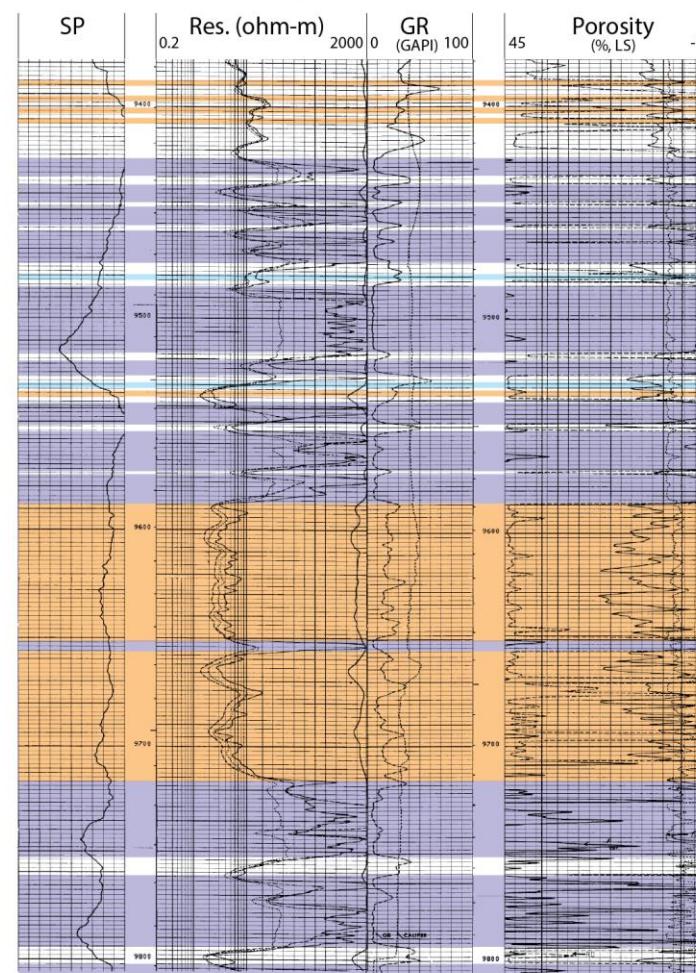
Paluxy Formation

Major prospects in sandstone of Tuscaloosa Group and Paluxy Fm.

Topseal

Reservoir
Porosity locally >20%

Well G3912, West Florida Shelf



Punta Gorda Anhydrite

Topseal

Reservoir

Porosity locally >15%

Reservoir

Major prospects in porous dolomite associated with anhydrite intervals



Shale



Sandstone



Limestone



Dolomite



Anhydrite

A Tale of Two Platforms

Ultradeep gas platform



Shallow gas well



Observations and Issues

- Large portfolio of potential sinks and seals in eastern Gulf of Mexico region.
- Seismic and well data being interpreted.
- Geopressure >12,000 ft; main storage prospects in Cretaceous-Miocene section.
- Multiple sandstone formations prospective in DeSoto Canyon Salt Basin; abundant mudrock and carbonate seals, including chalk.
- Relatively simple Cretaceous carbonate platform and distally steepened Cenozoic shelf in West Florida.
- Variable seismic quality in West Florida.
- Porous dolomite below anhydrite seals.