

DEPTHIMAGING

ELECTRICAL RESISTIVITY TOMOGRAPHY (ERT) APPLICATIONS IN MAPPING REGIONS OF ELEVATED SOIL/GROUNDWATER SALINITY



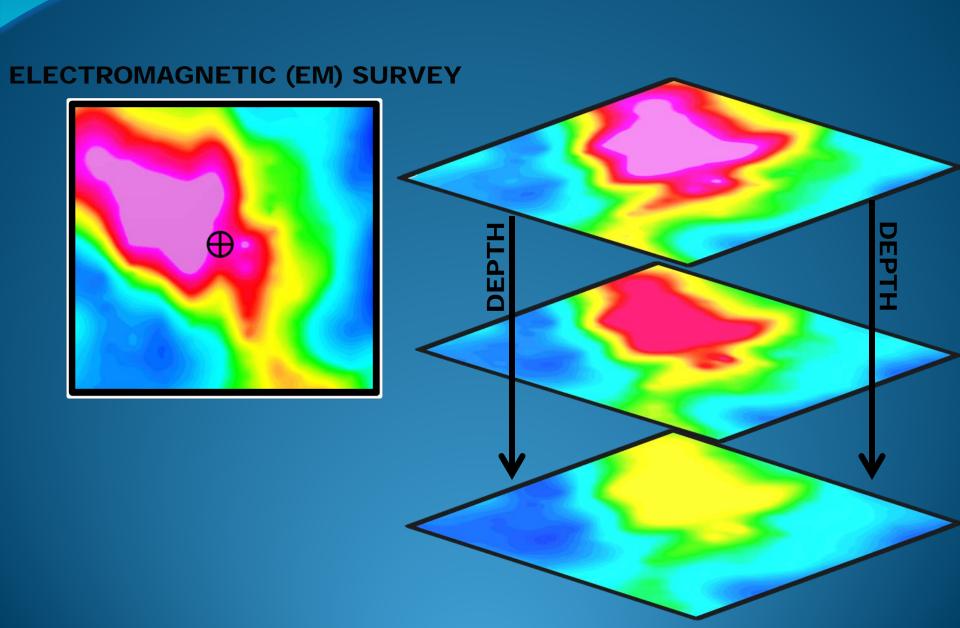
WHY GEOPHYSICS...

HISTORICAL WELLFILE RECORDS
DRILLING INFORMATION (D50)
AIRPHOTOS

OPERATOR/LANDOWNER
INTERVIEWS
ONLINE AND OTHER DATABASE
SEARCHES









EM (ELECTROMAGNETIC) METHODOLOGY LATERAL DELINEATION







MULTIPLE FREQUENCIES = SEVERAL MULTI LAYER 'INTERPRETED' DEPTHS



DEPTH INTERPRETATION CONSTRAINTS USING MULTIPLE FREQUENCIES

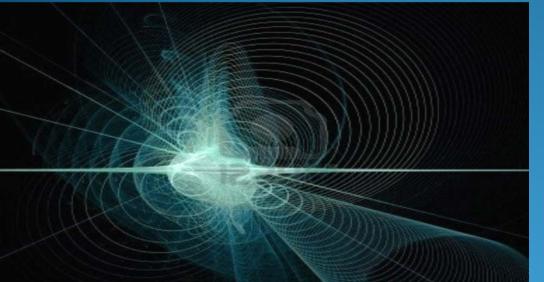
- SKIN DEPTH IS THE ATTENUATION (LOSS IN INTENSITY) DEPTH OF THE EM SOURCE
- SKIN DEPTH APPROXIMATION:

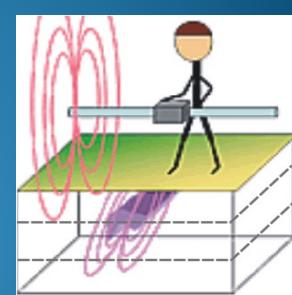
$$\delta = \frac{500}{\sqrt{f}\sigma}$$

 σ is the half-space conductivity

f = frequency

- MANY DIFFERENT LAYERS CAN GIVE THE SAME MEASURED RESPONSE WITH FREQUENCY
- BECOMES EXTREMELY DIFFICULT TO DISTINGUISH WHICH LAYER (OR ASSUMED DEPTH) IS THE CORRECT FREQUENCY RESPONSE

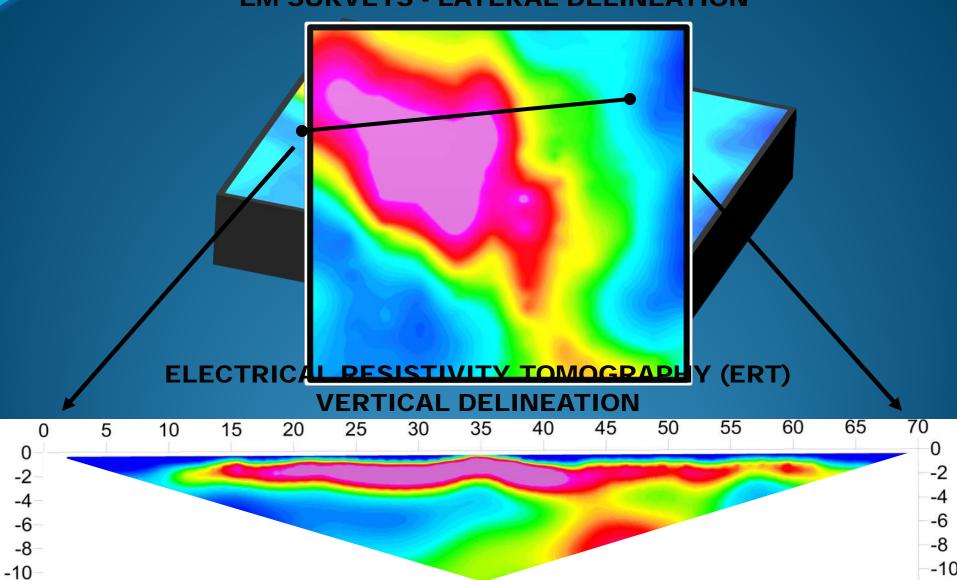






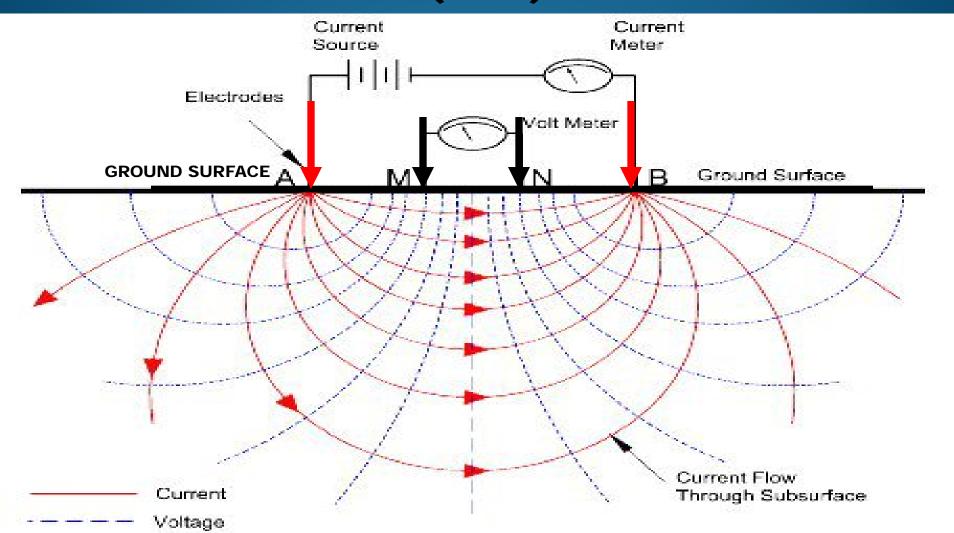
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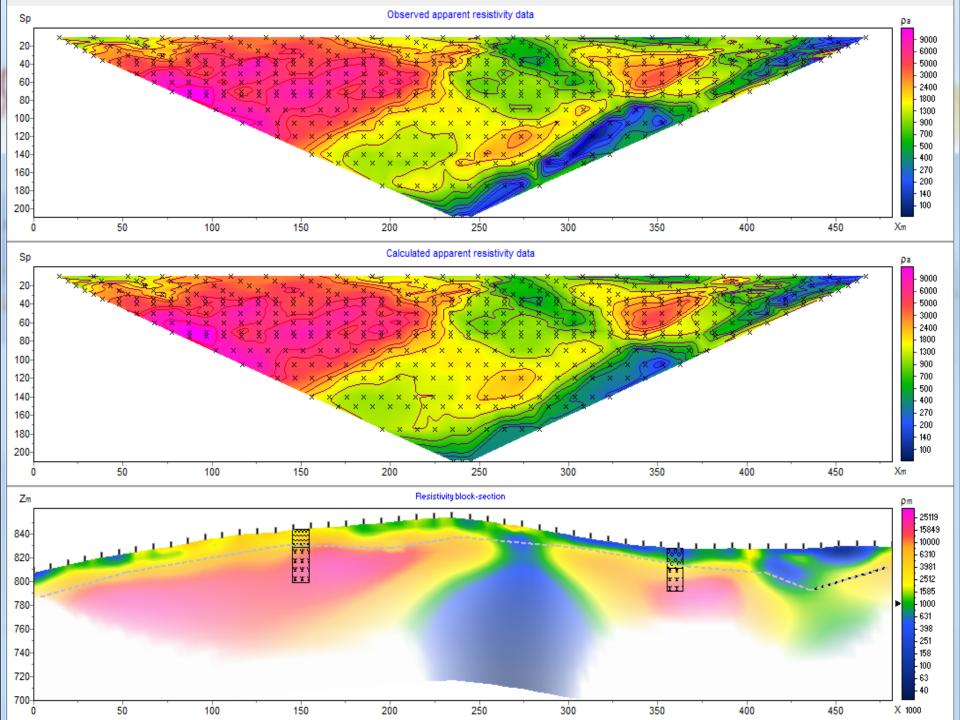


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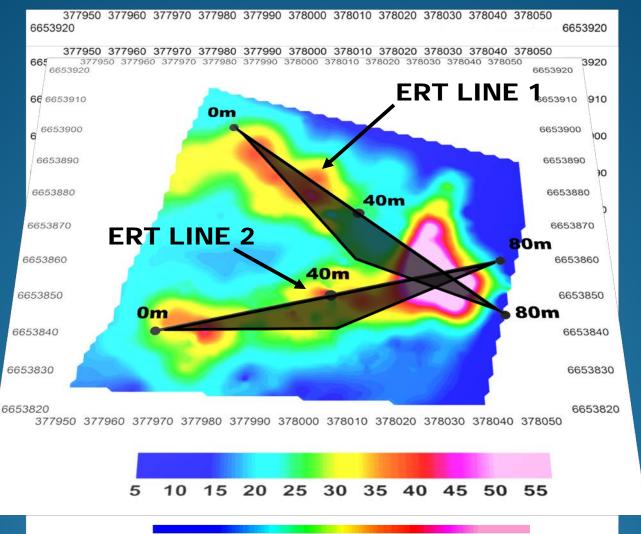




DEPTH RANGE = 5 mbgs to >100 mbgs



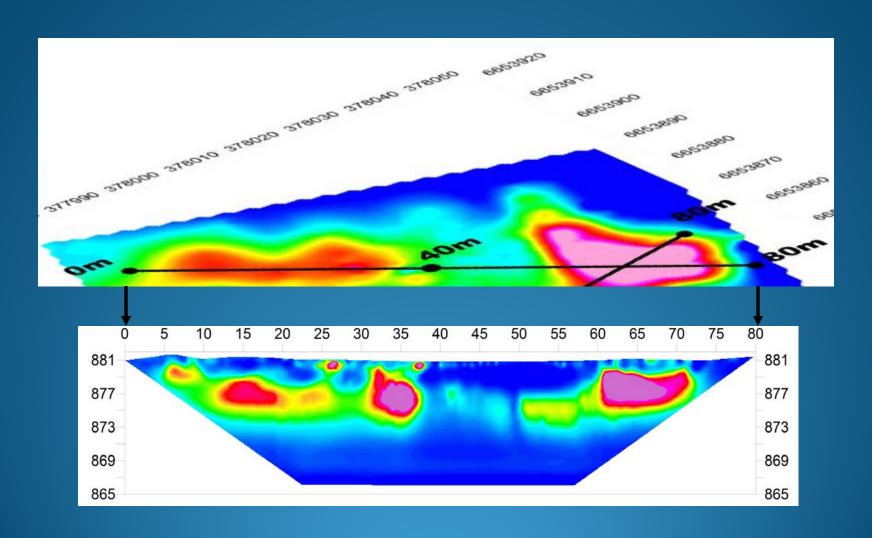




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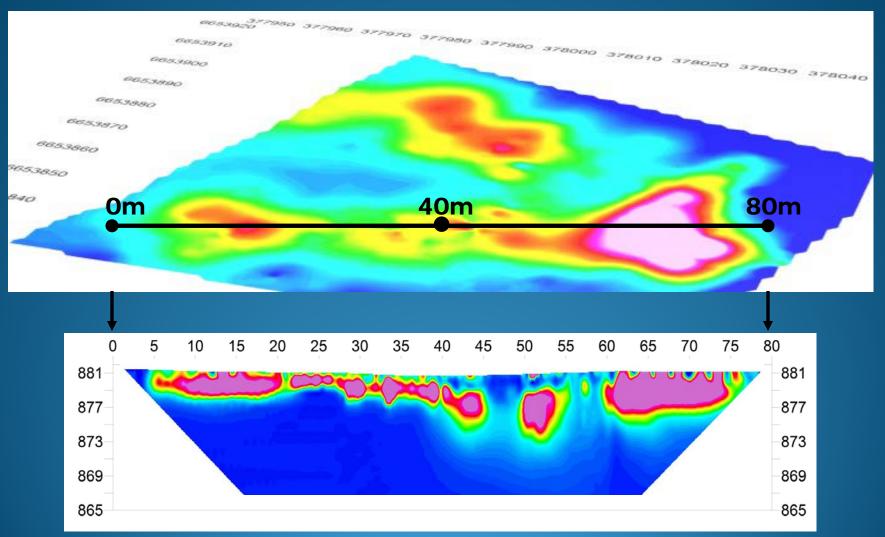


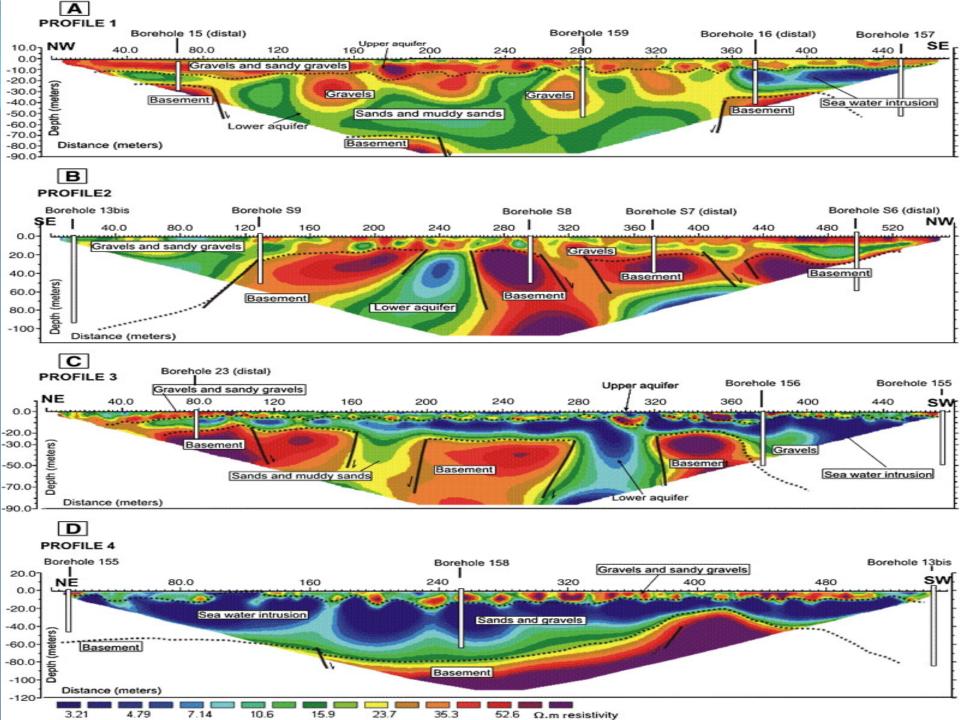
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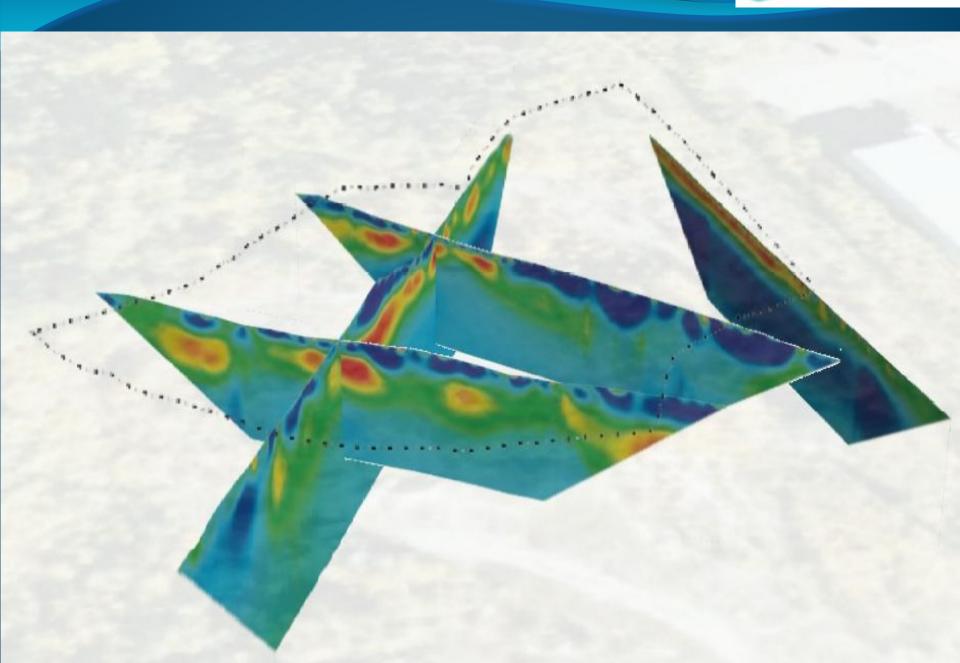


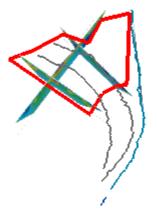
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COST BENEFITS

PHASE II ESA
DRILLING PROGRAM
12 BOREHOLES
DELINEATION?....
~\$30K

GEOPHYSICS PROGRAM
~\$8-10K
PHASE II ESA TARGETED
DRILLING PROGRAM
~\$10-12K
SAVINGS ~35-40%

