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Northwest Geysers Enhanced Geothermal System Demonstration Project

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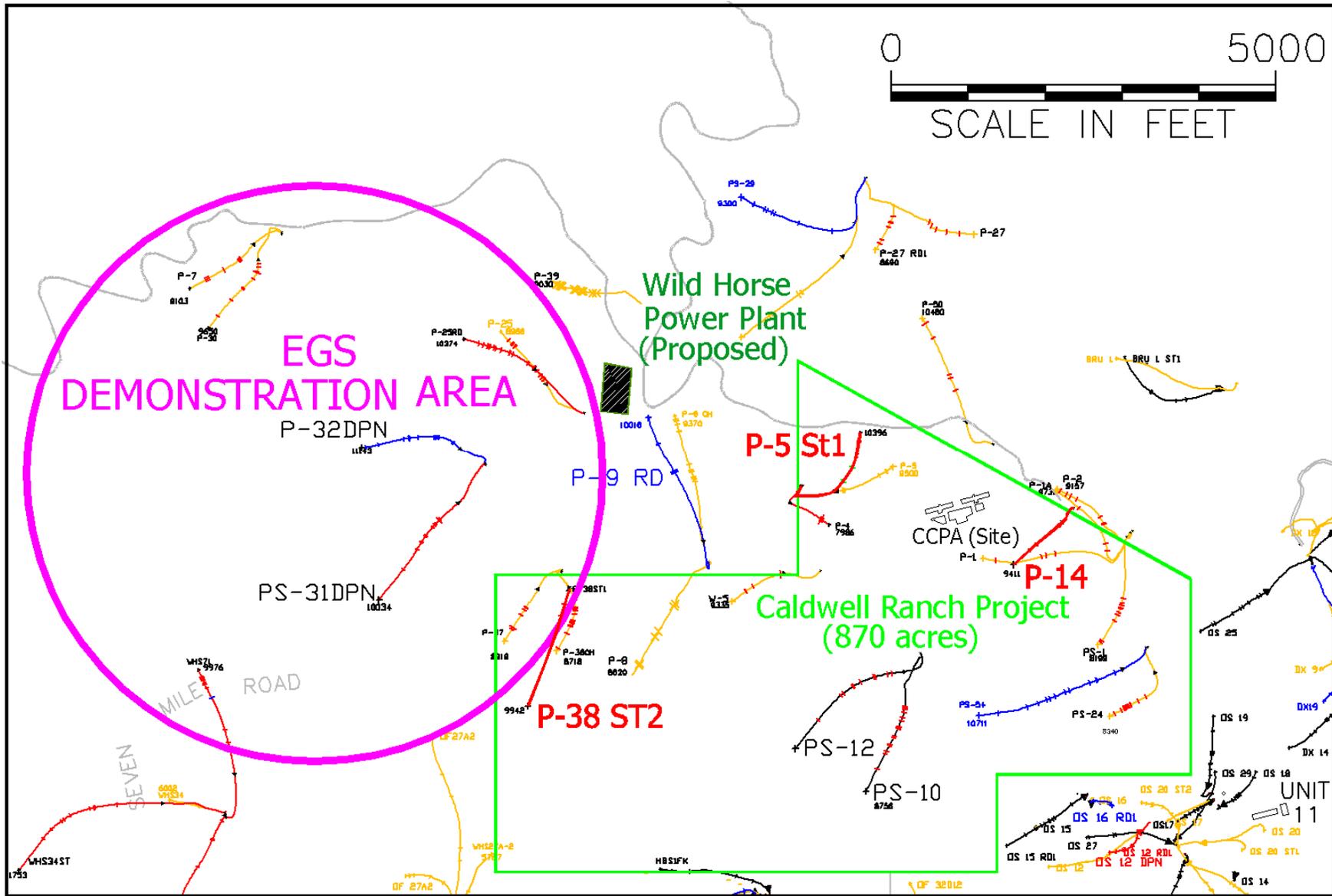
Calpine Corporation's Second Public Informational Meeting Reporting Progress on the U.S. Department of Energy's and Calpine's Enhanced Geothermal System (EGS) Demonstration Project Underway at The Geysers

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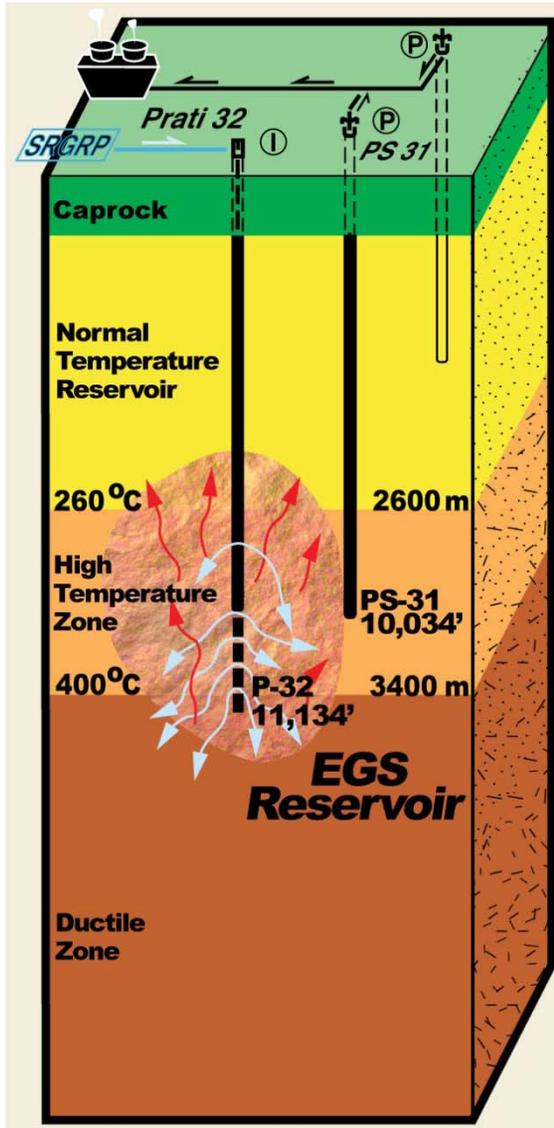


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Location of adjacent DOE Caldwell Ranch Project



Northwest Geysers EGS Demonstration Project Concept



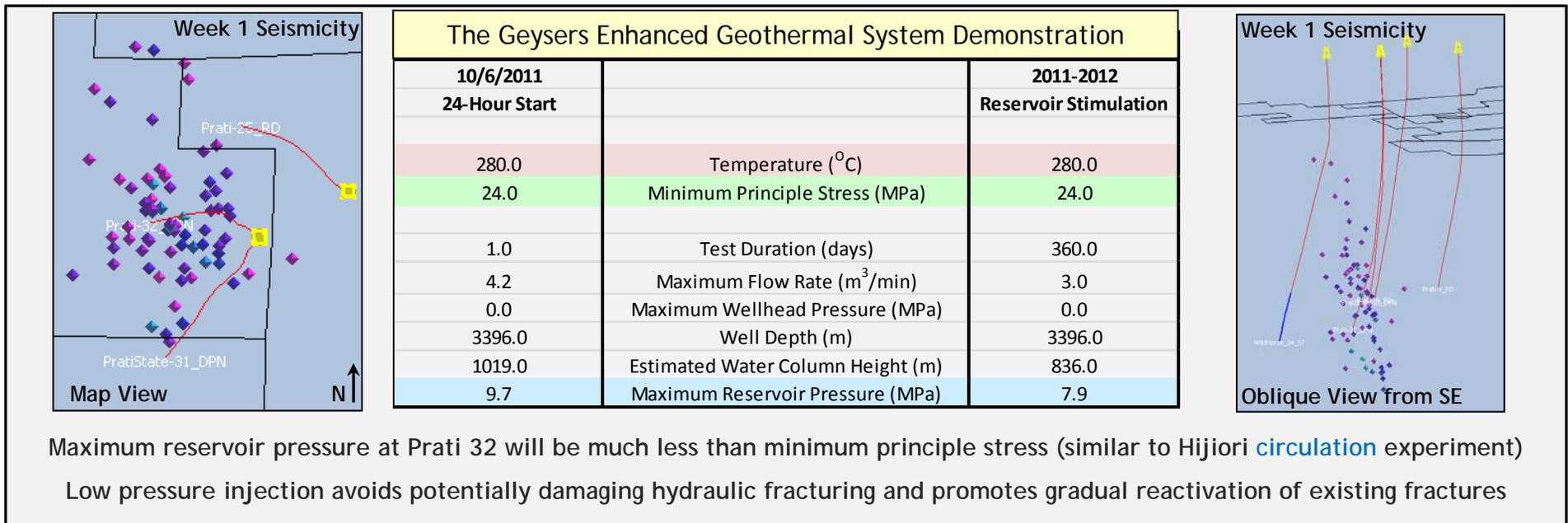
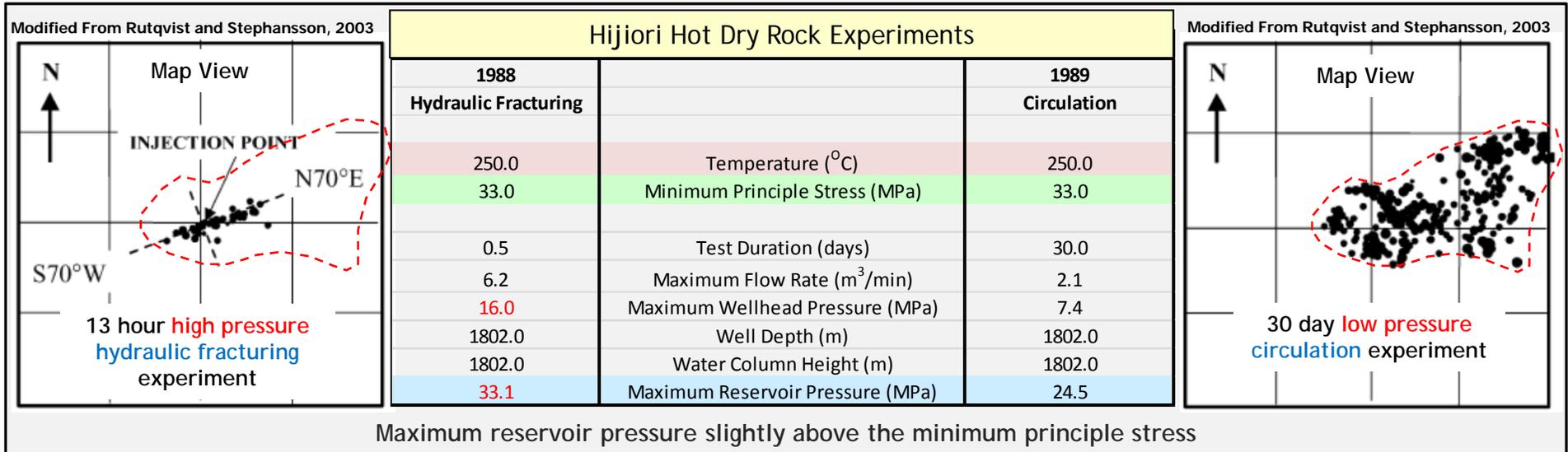
Treated wastewater from the City of Santa Rosa is injected into the high temperature zone in Prati 32 to stimulate the production of quality steam in PS-31.

Motivations

- Increase steam production.
 - Use under-produced NW Geysers area.
- Mitigate very high NCG concentrations in high temperature reservoir.
- Stimulate wells to enhance permeability.
- Achieve 100% mass replacement.
 - Support sustained electrical production for future development.
- Address public concerns on injection-induced seismicity.

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Concept for Creating a Cloud of Fractures by Shear Reactivation

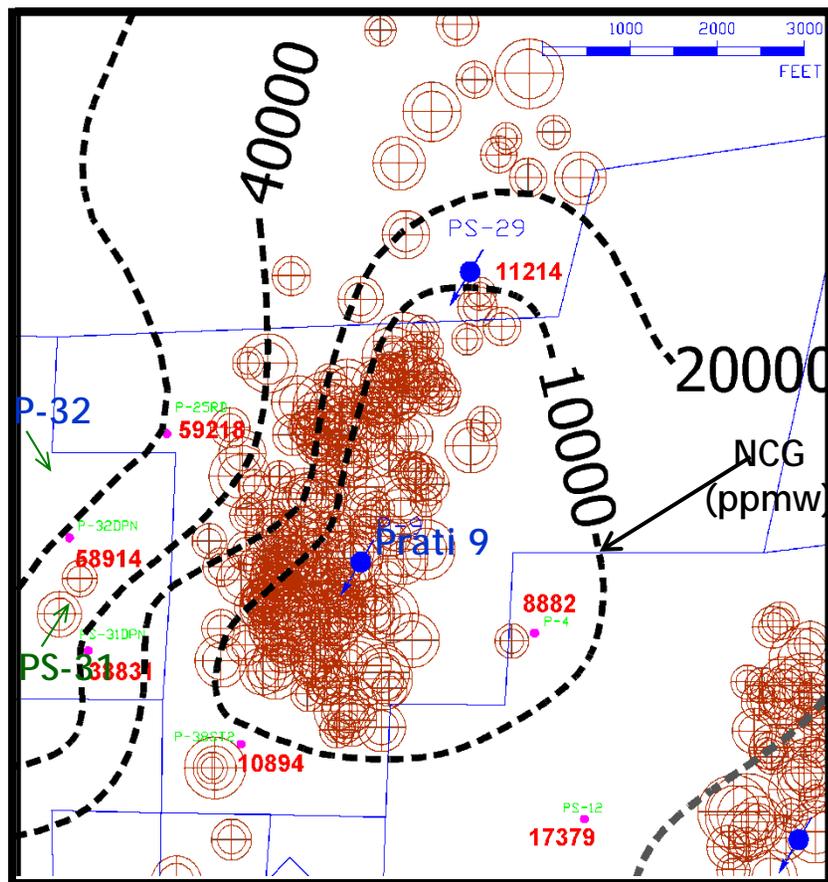


Northwest Geysers EGS Demonstration Induced Seismicity in nearby Prati 9 injection well



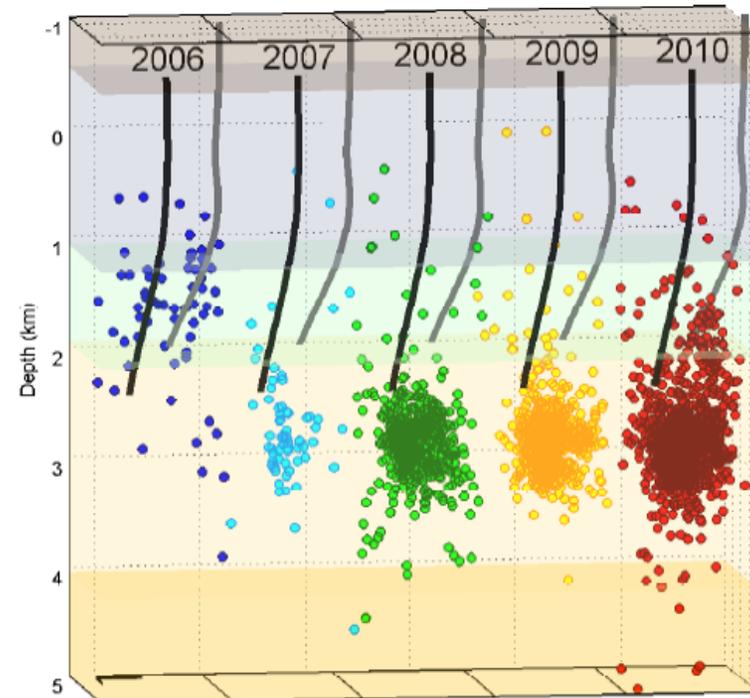
Current MEQ Monitoring of Nearby Injection

MEQ Events ($M \geq 1.0$) 10/1/2010 to 3/31/2011



Total year injection (million gallons)

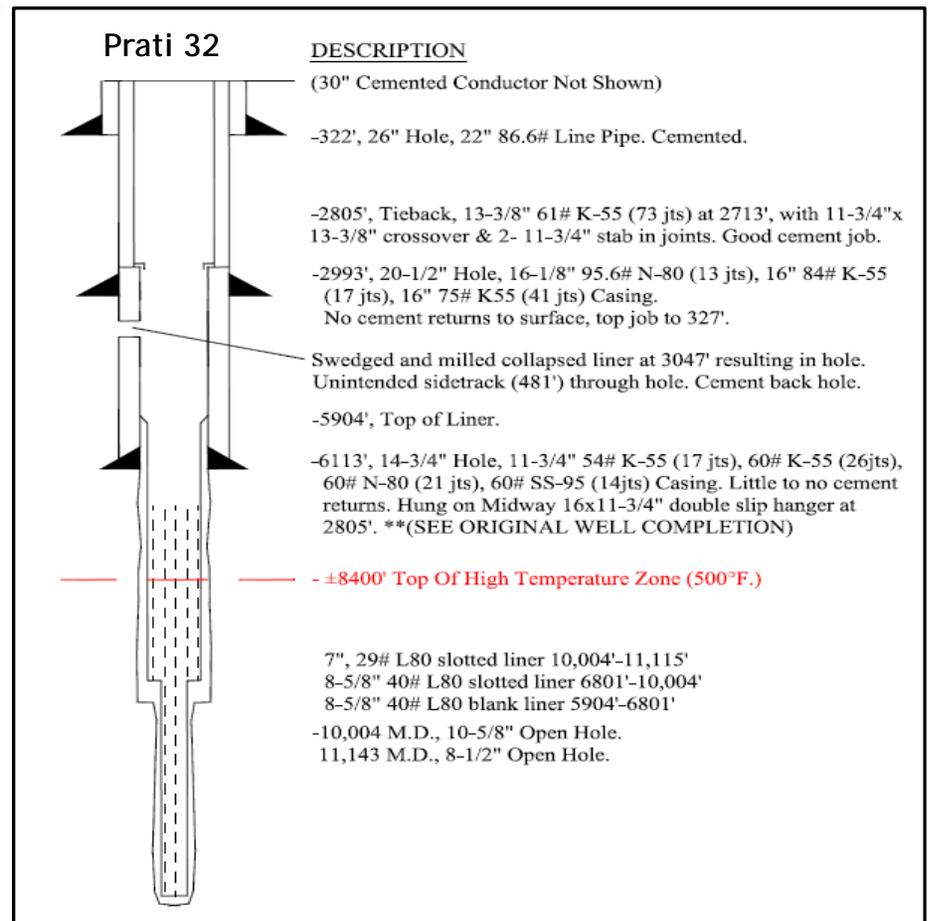
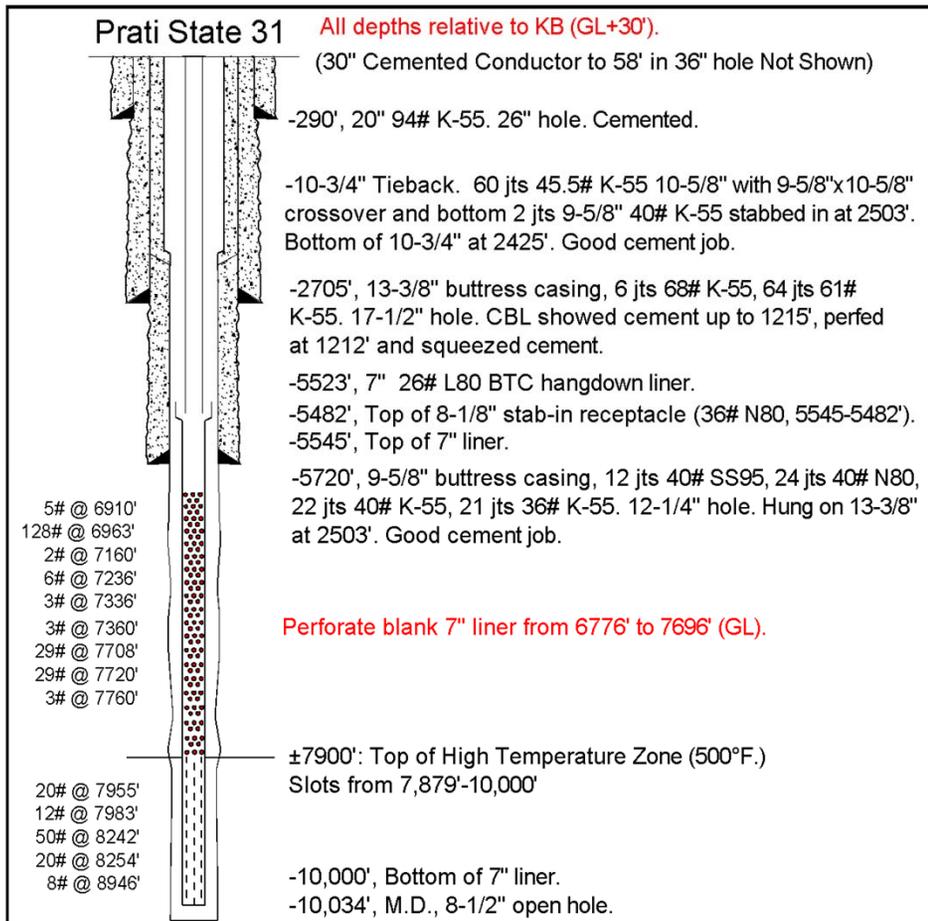
Well	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Prati 9	0	32.6	325.1	332.8	337.2
Prati State 29	0	0	0	0	208.7



Characterization of induced seismicity near Prati 9 injection well (To be published at GRC Proceedings 2011, Gisela Viegas Fernandes and Lawrence Hutchings, LBNL.)

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Production-Injection Well Pair: P-PS-31 and P-32



Flow Testing		Geochemistry			
KPH (klbs/hr)	WHP (psig)	SIWHP (psig)	NCG (wt.%)	H ₂ S (ppmw)	Cl (ppmw)
55	100	323	4.7	1299	135

Flow Testing		Geochemistry			
KPH (klbs/hr)	WHP (psig)	SIWHP (psig)	NCG (wt.%)	H ₂ S (ppmw)	Cl (ppmw)
84	100	340	5.9	1380	72

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Deepening of Prati 32



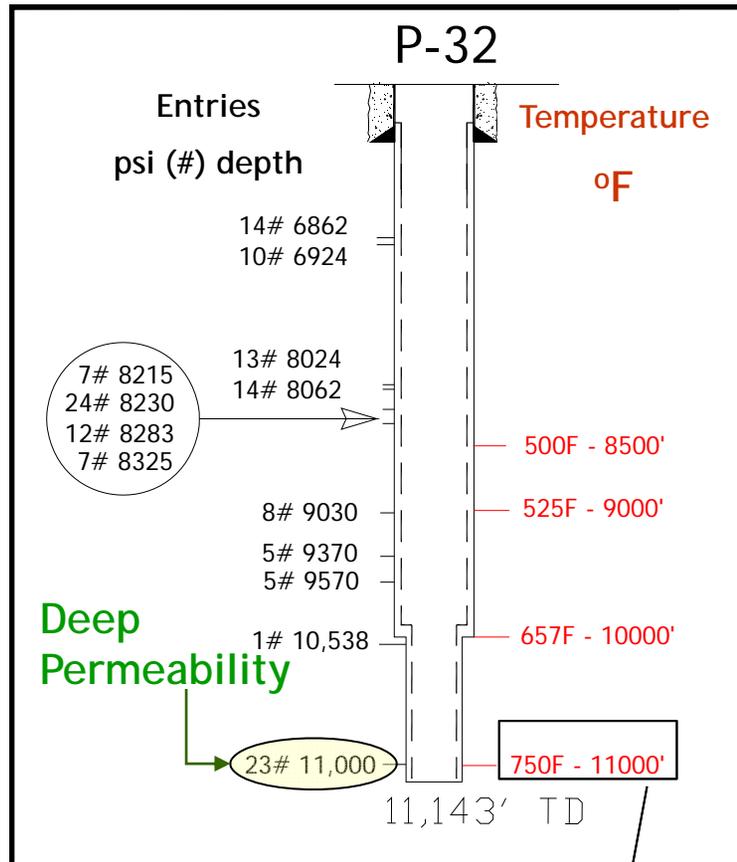
Average bit condition after 300' of air drilling for about 30 hours at the Geysers.



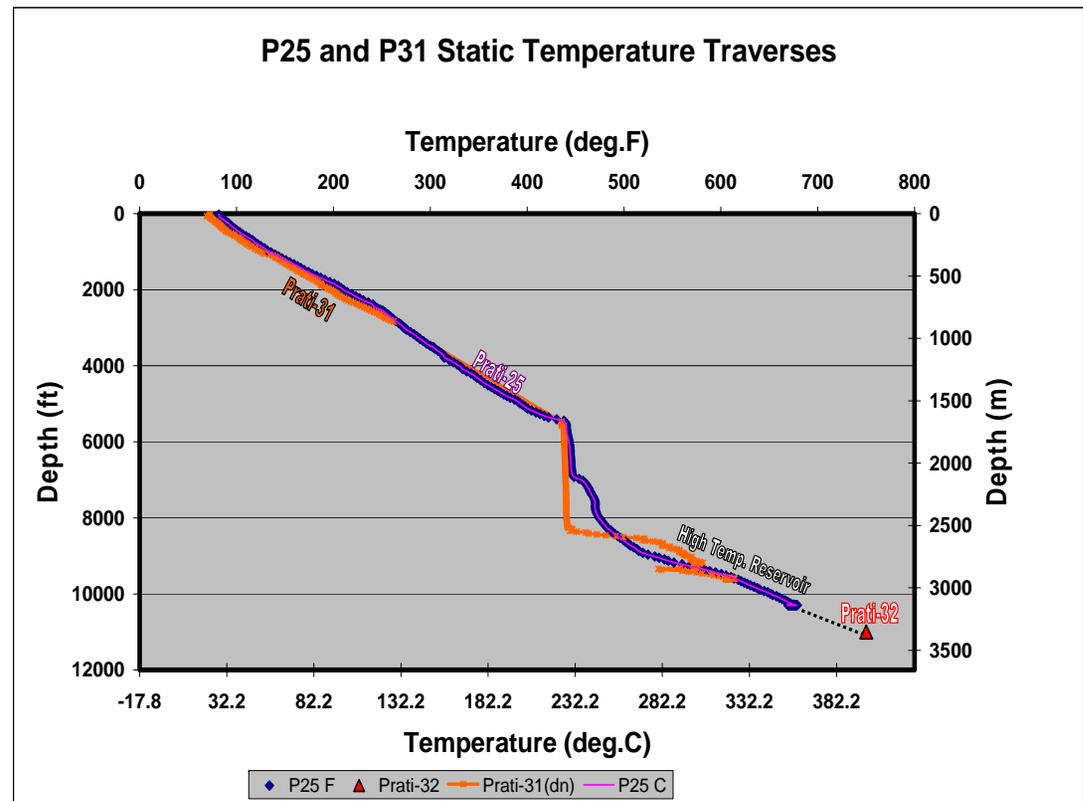
Prati 32 final bit condition after 105' of air drilling for 17 hours to TD (11,134').

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Recompletion of Prati 32 as an Injector

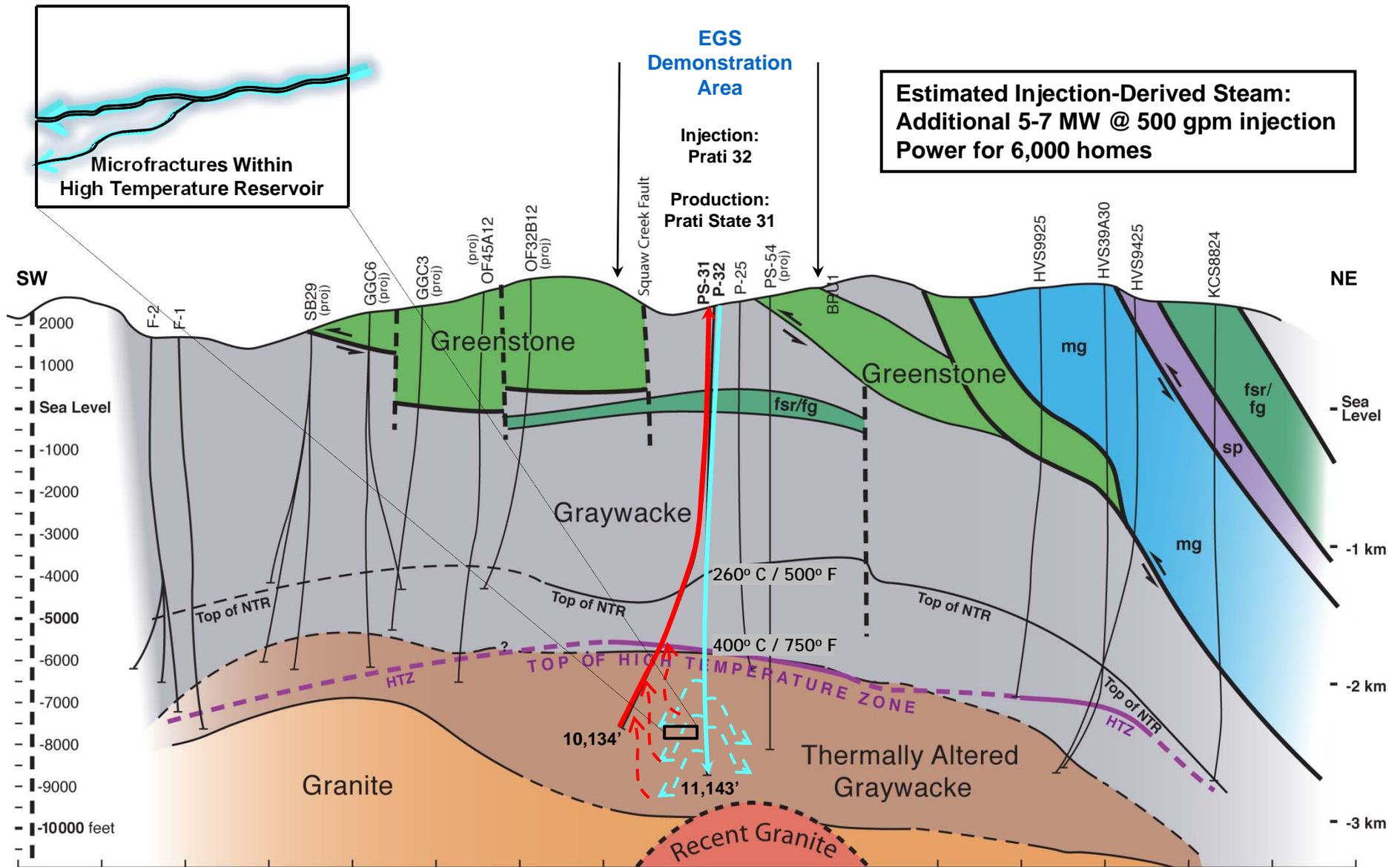


Based on Well Logging Results
 P-32 was re-completed as an injector
 PS-31 was re-completed as a producer



Maximum temperature recorded with a Kuster mechanical tool

Northwest Geysers EGS Demonstration Geologic Section and EGS Approach



Northwest Geysers EGS Demonstration Injection Pipeline completed December 2010



Injection Water Pipeline for EGS Demonstration Injection Well

- Approximately 4800 feet of 10 in. and 12 in. diameter pipeline to P-32 pad were constructed. Cost: \$1.97M.
- Pipeline successfully hydro-tested to 1125 psi.
- Prati 32 will use about 200 to 800 gpm for the stimulation experiment. Injection pipeline capacity = 1200 gpm.
- Instrumentation of PS-31 and P-32 completed.
- Injection Flow rate data are updated within Calpine internal system - PI Data Capture - on about 15 second intervals.
- Injection flow rates and seismic events are being continuously monitored since the stimulation began on October 6, 2011.

Northwest Geysers EGS Demonstration Seismic Monitoring Networks

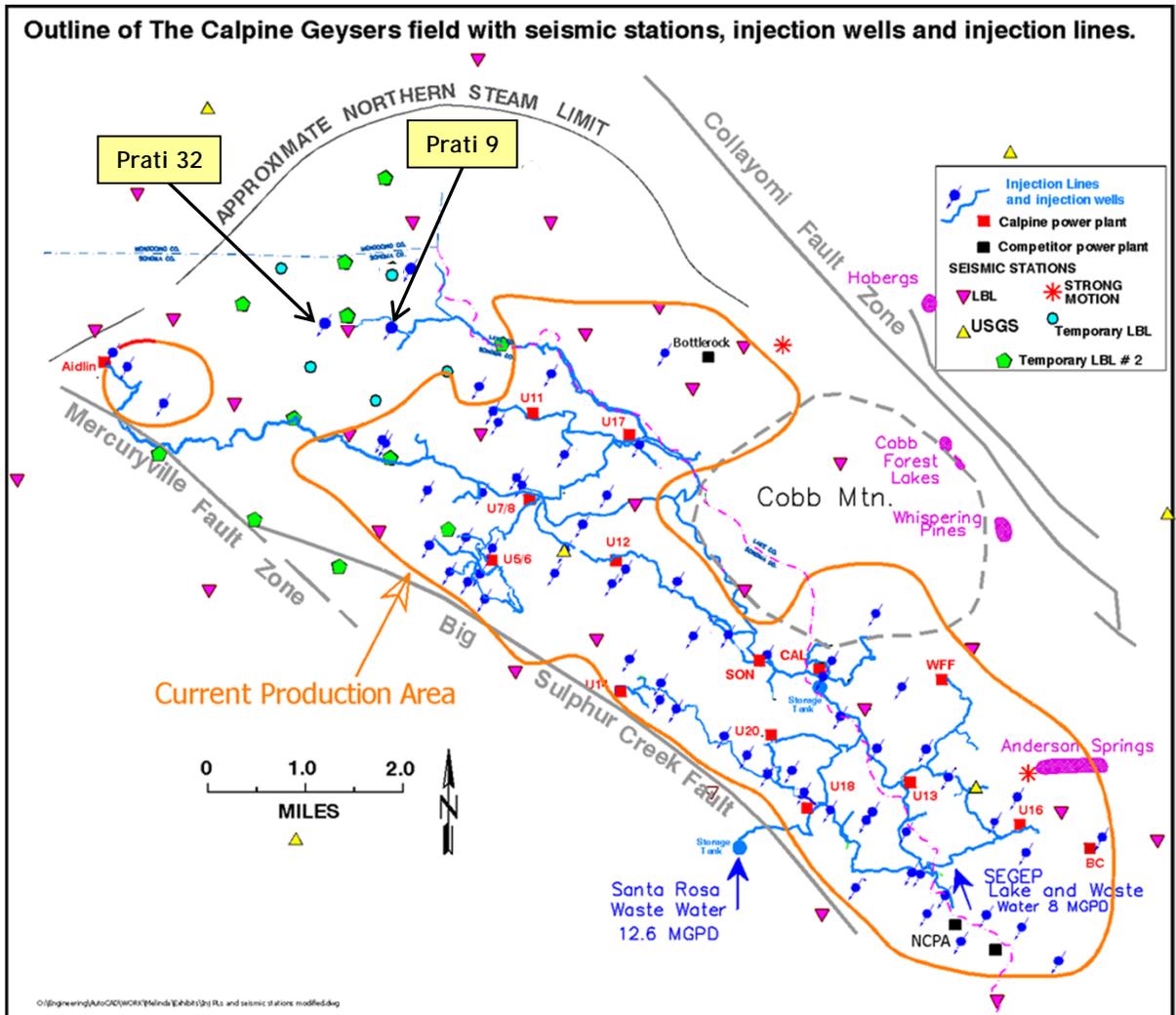


Permanent Monitoring / Real-Time Processing

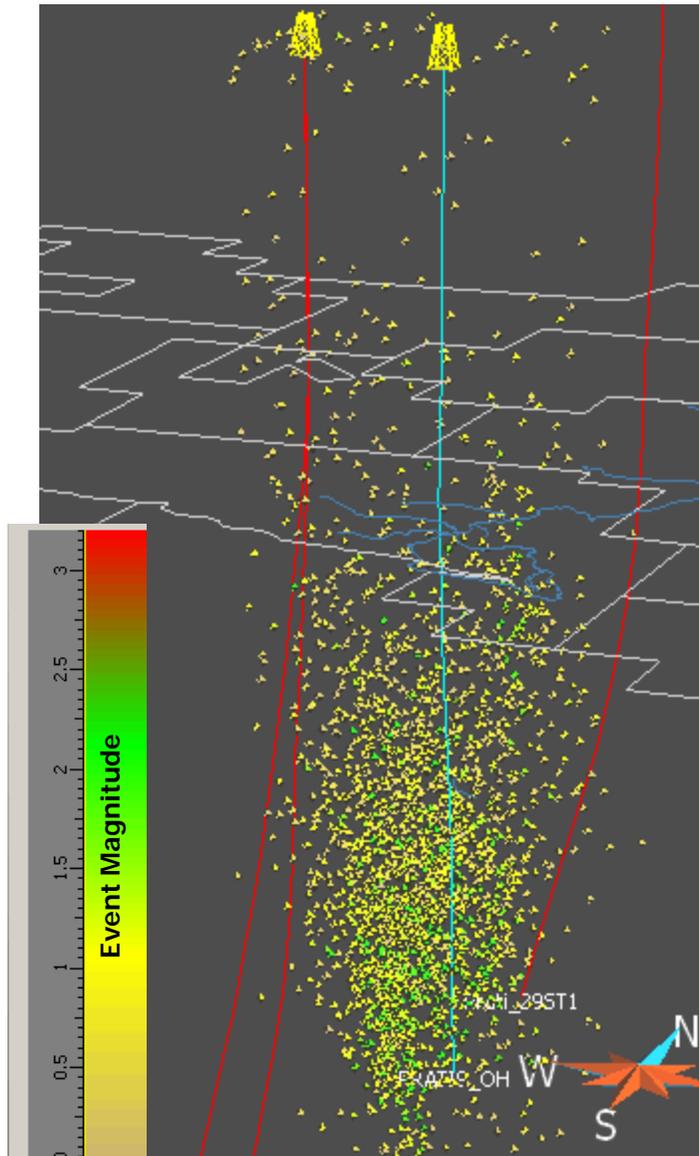
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Installed in 2003; continued upgrades
31 stations; M 1.0 threshold
Primary Contact: Dr. Ernie Major (LBNL)
- ▲ **US Geological Survey**
Installed in 1970's; some upgrades
5 stations; M 1.5 threshold
Primary Contact: David Oppenheimer (USGS)
- * **Strong motion instruments: 3**
Installed in 2003; perceived shaking
3 stations; ~0.1% g threshold
Primary Contact: Jim Cullen (USGS contracted)

Project Dedicated Temporary Monitoring

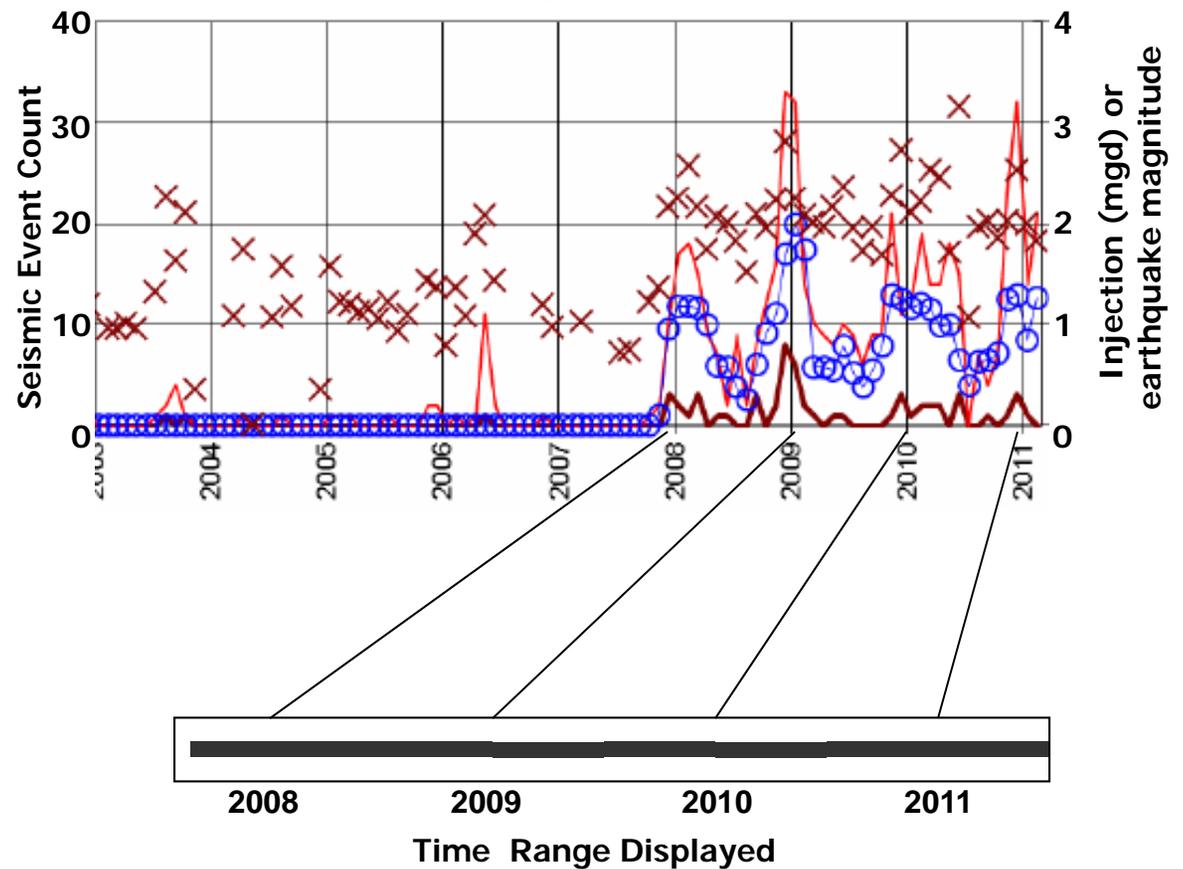
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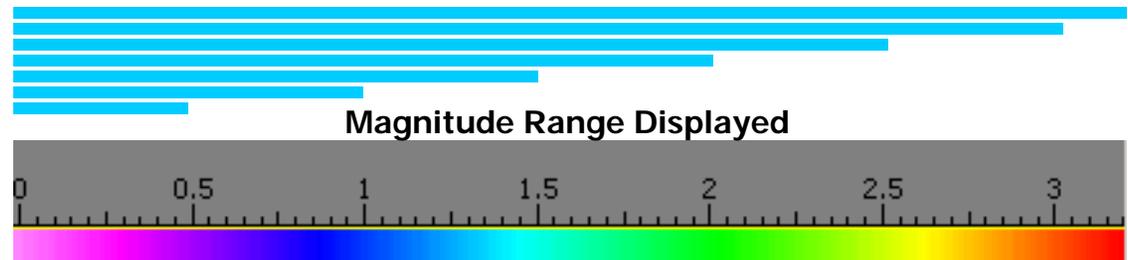
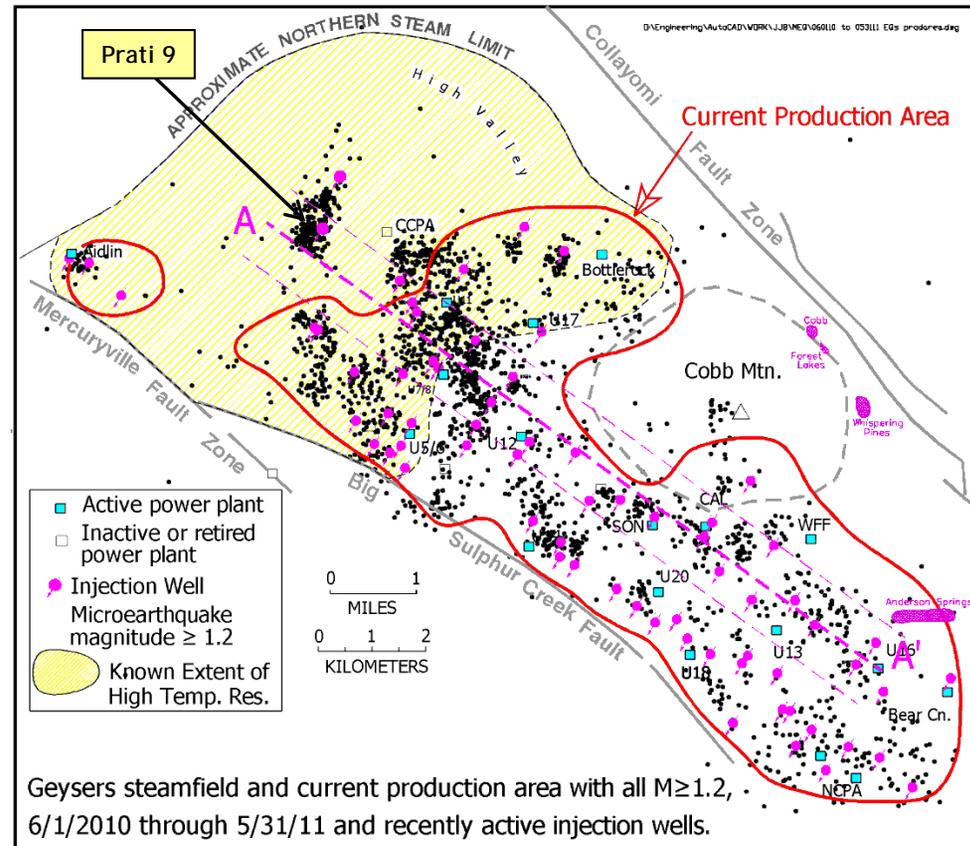
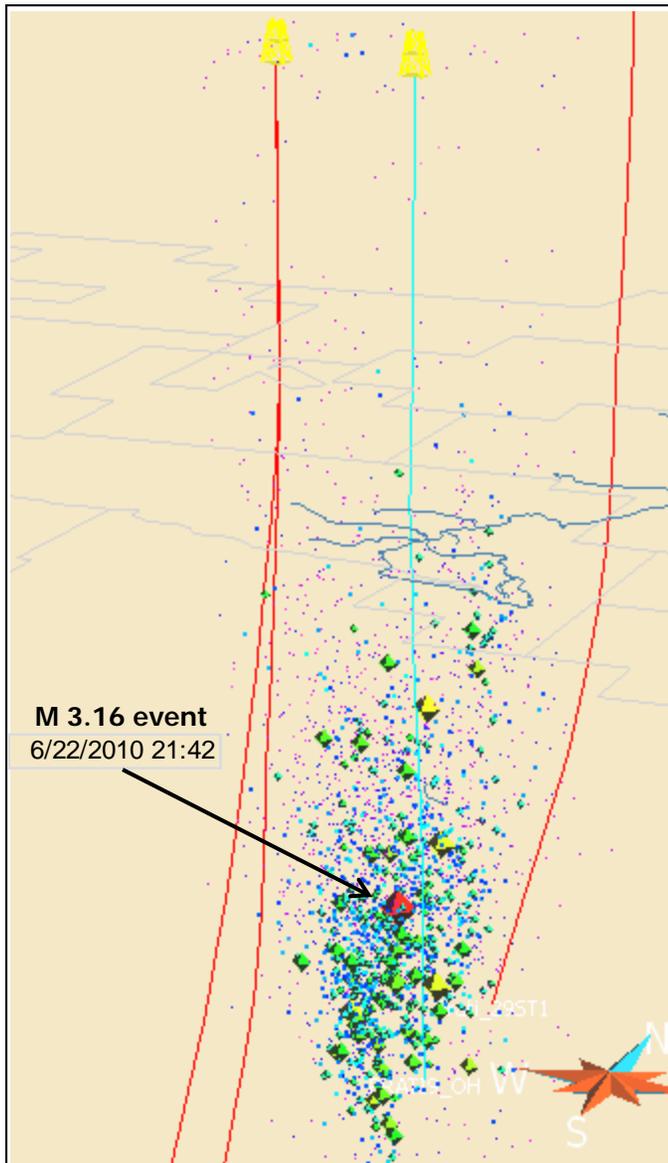
Northwest Geysers EGS Demonstration Prati 9 Injection Response



- Blue circles: monthly water injection
- Red line: monthly count of earthquakes of $M \geq 1.2$
- Brown line: monthly count of earthquakes of $M \geq 2.0$
- Brown X's: maximum magnitude each month



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Prati 9 M 3.16 event

Cobb Strong Motion Station

Peak Ground Acceleration
26 cm/sec² (2.6% g) **MMI IV**

Peak Ground Velocity
0.51 cm/sec **MMI II-III**

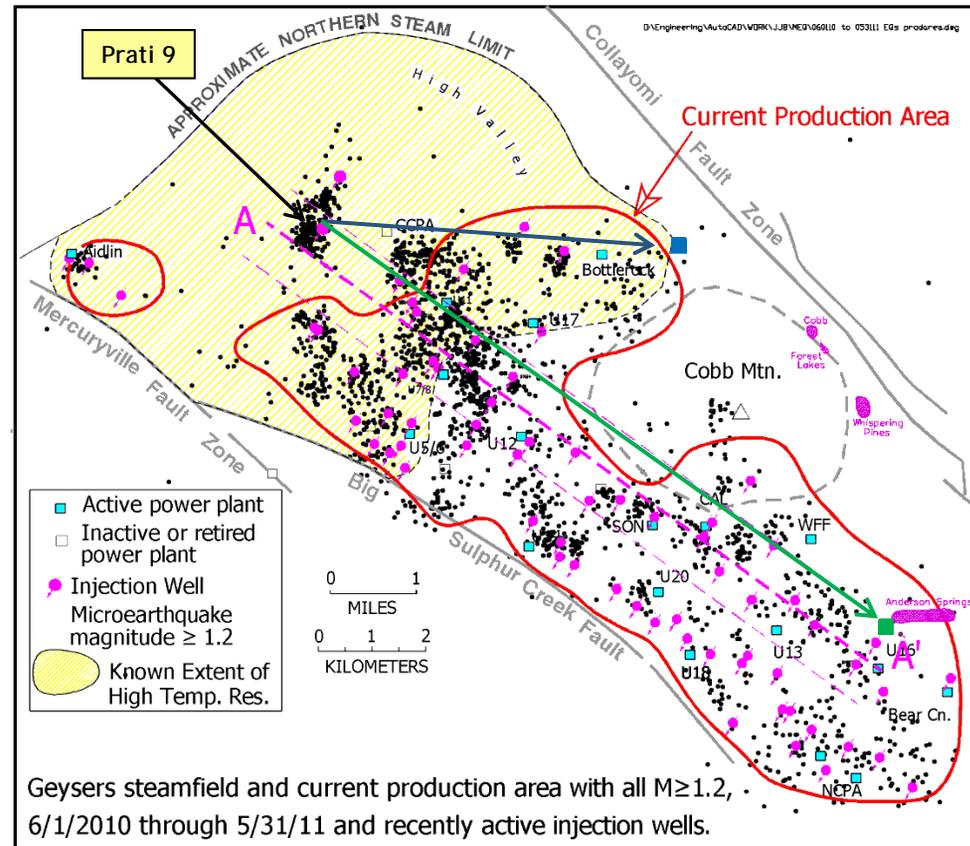
One felt report

Anderson Springs Strong Motion Station

Peak Ground Acceleration
6.7 cm/sec² (0.7% g) **MMI II**

Peak Ground Velocity
0.12 cm/sec **MMI II**

No report



Perceived Shaking	Not Felt	Weak	Light	Moderate	Strong	Very Strong	Severe	Violent	Extreme
Potential Damage	None	None	None	Very Light	Light	Moderate	Mod/Heavy	Heavy	Very Heavy
Peak Acceleration (% of g)	< 0.17	0.17 - 1.4	1.4 - 3.9	3.9 - 9.2	9.2 - 18.0	18.0 - 34.0	34.0 - 65.0	65.0 - 124.0	> 124.0
Peak Velocity (cm/sec)	< 0.10	0.1 - 1.1	1.1 - 3.4	3.4 - 8.1	8.1 - 16.0	16.0 - 31.0	31.0 - 60.0	60.0 - 116.0	> 116.0
Modified Mercalli Intensity	I	II-III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X

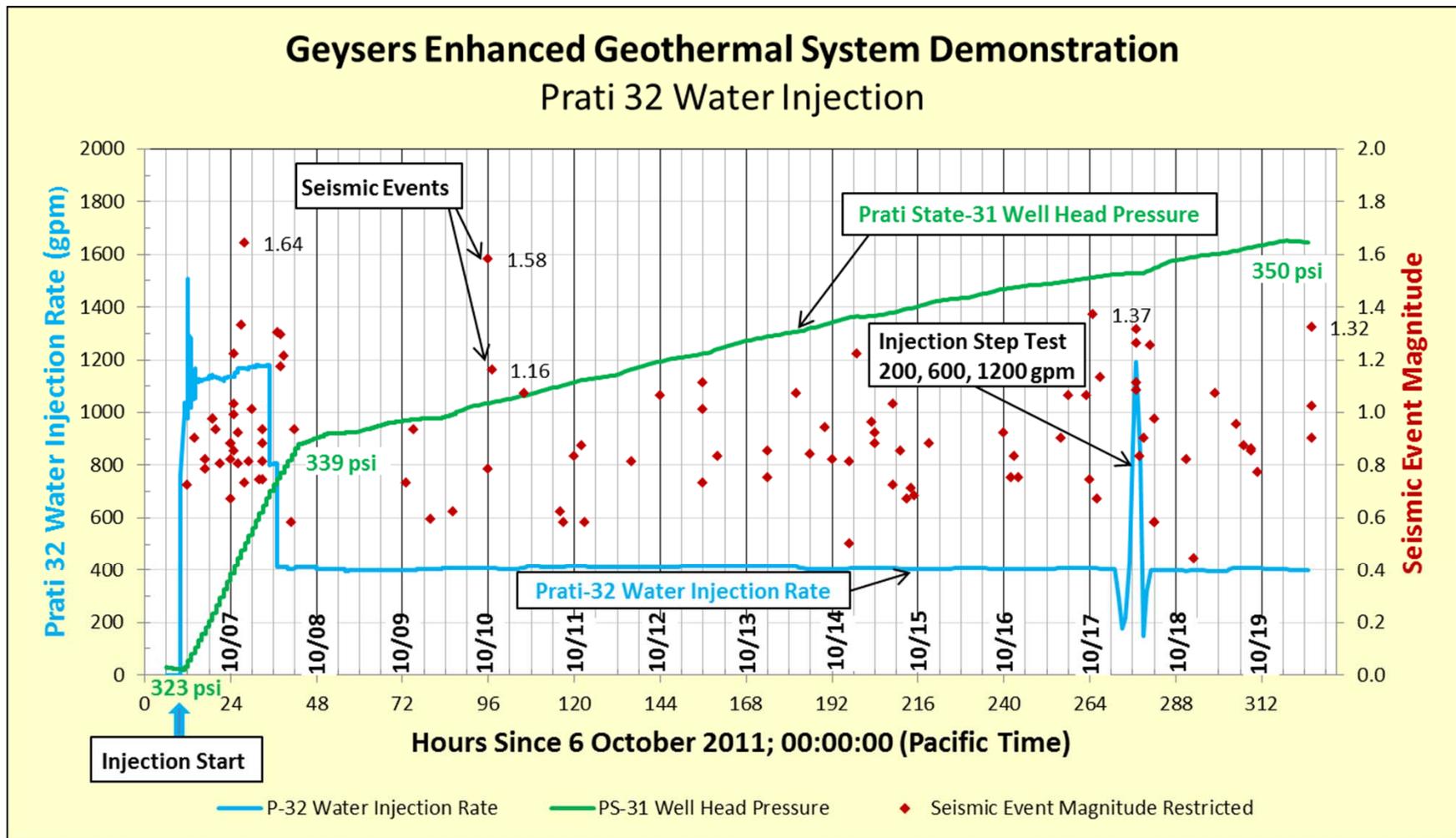
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Seismicity Analysis: 1 October 2011 to 19 October 2011

Prati 32 Injection Area



LBNL database events with Erh (horizontal error) and ErZ (vertical error) less than 1 km

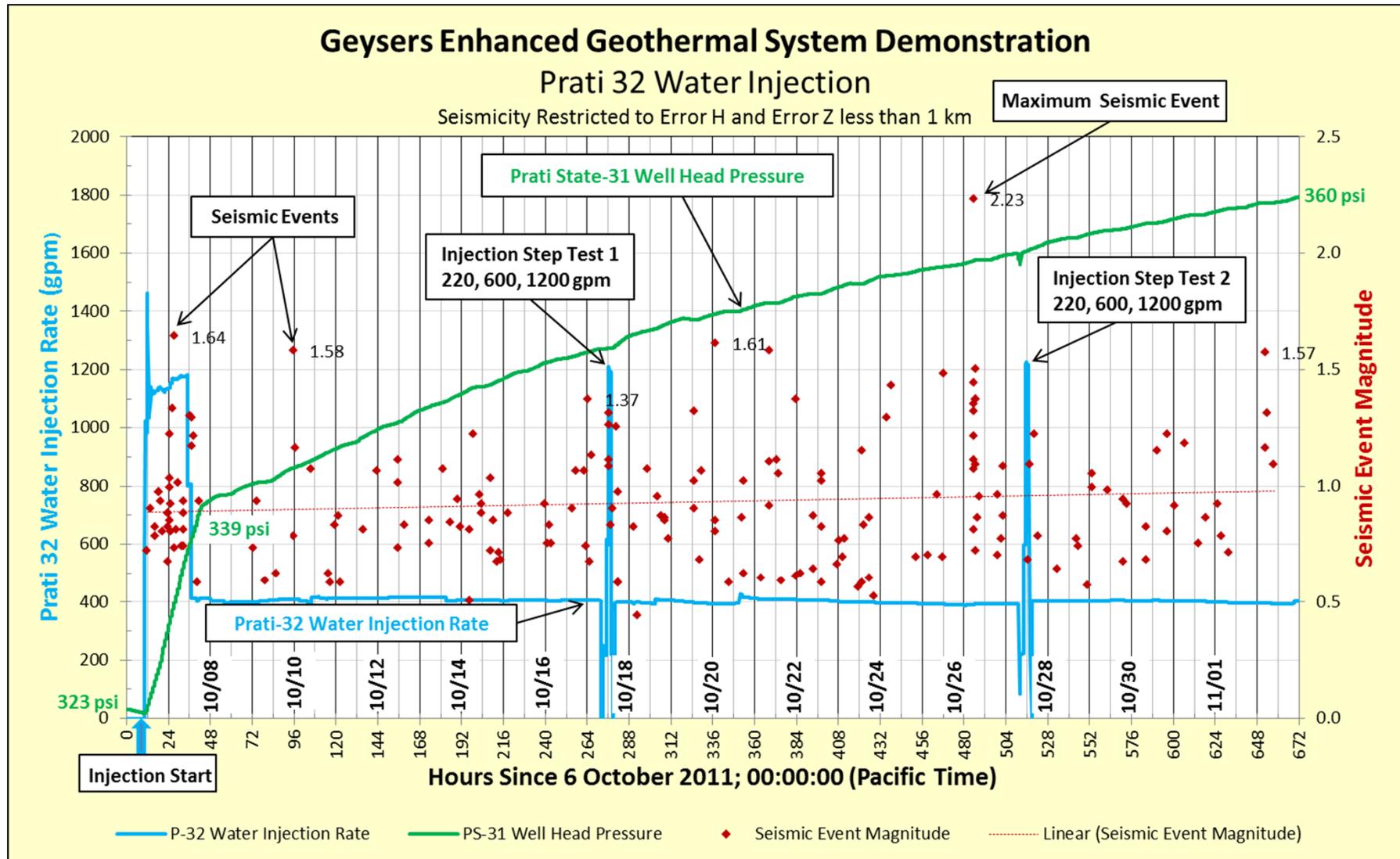


NW Geysers EGS Demonstration

Seismicity Analysis: 6 October 2011 to 02 November 2011

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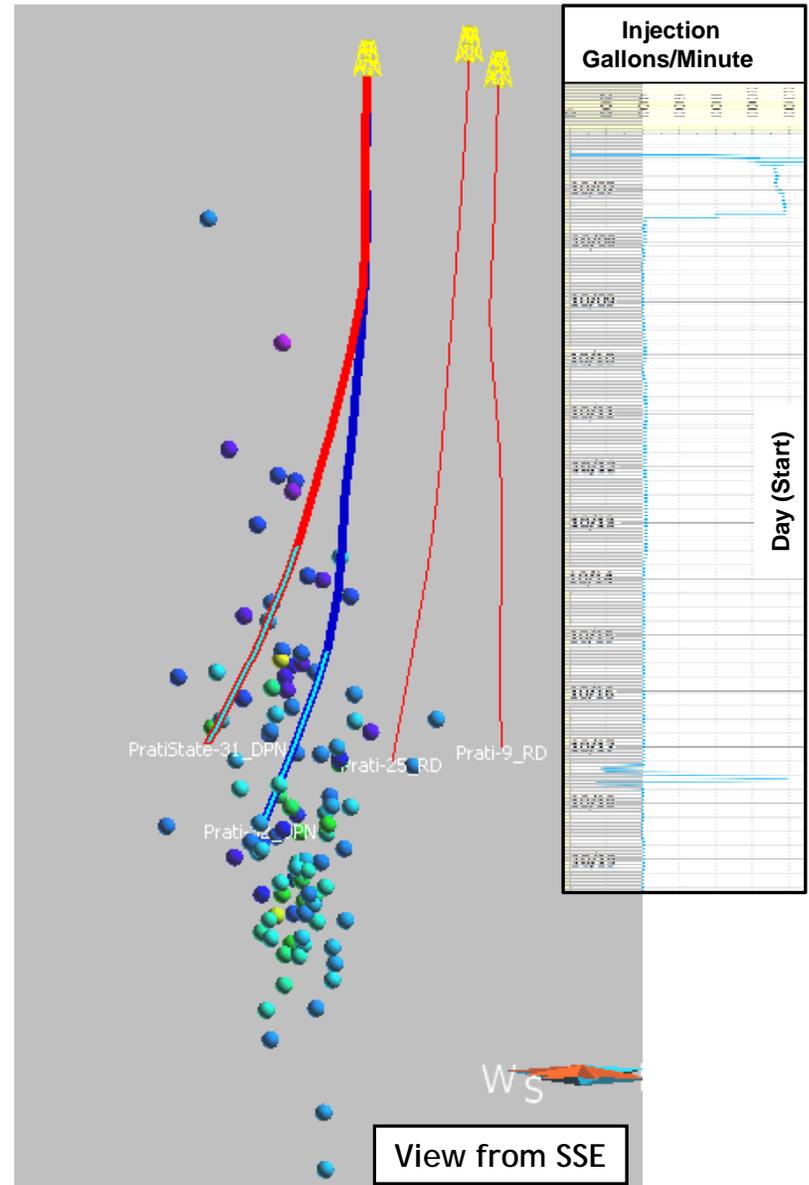
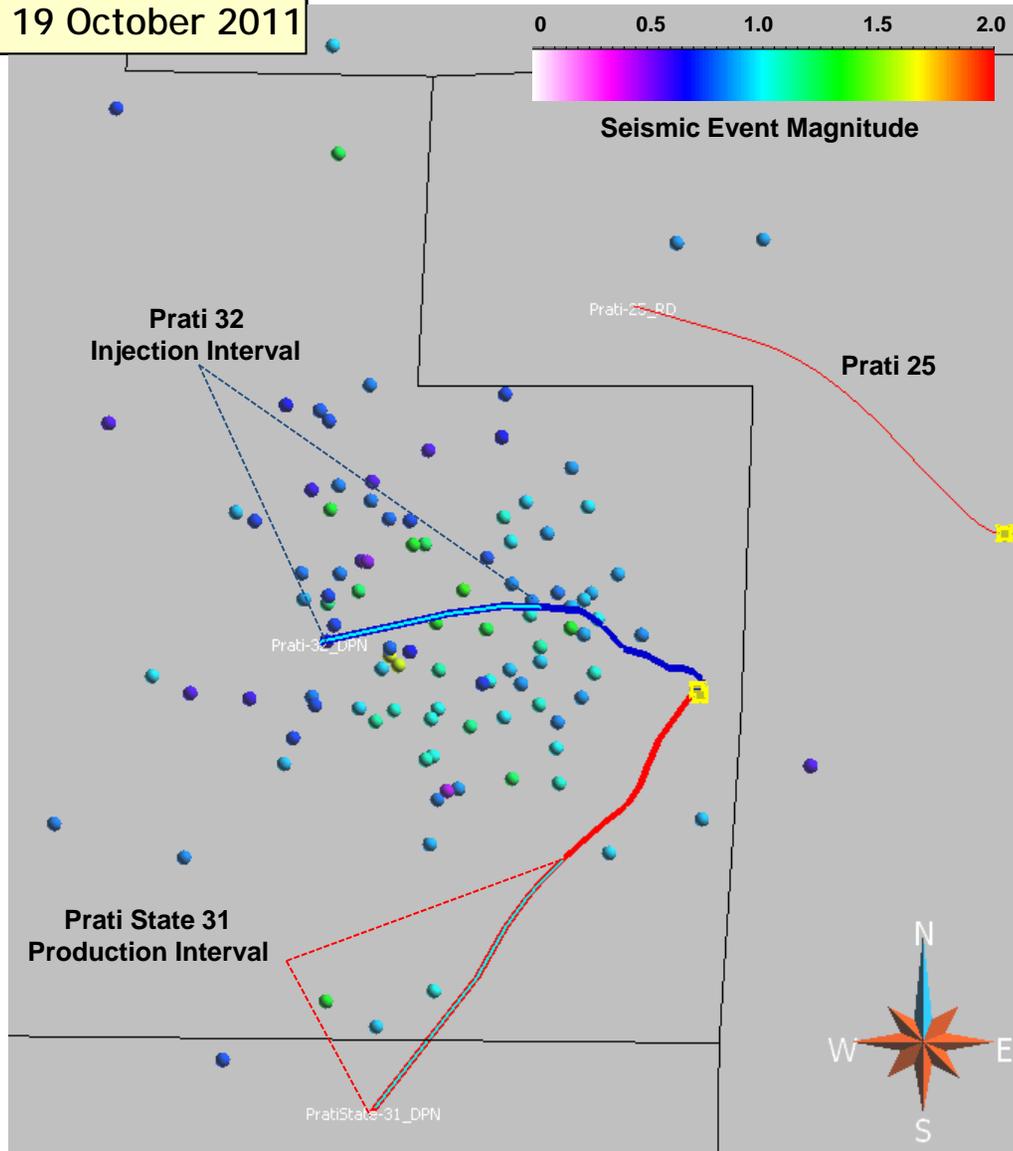
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19 October 2011

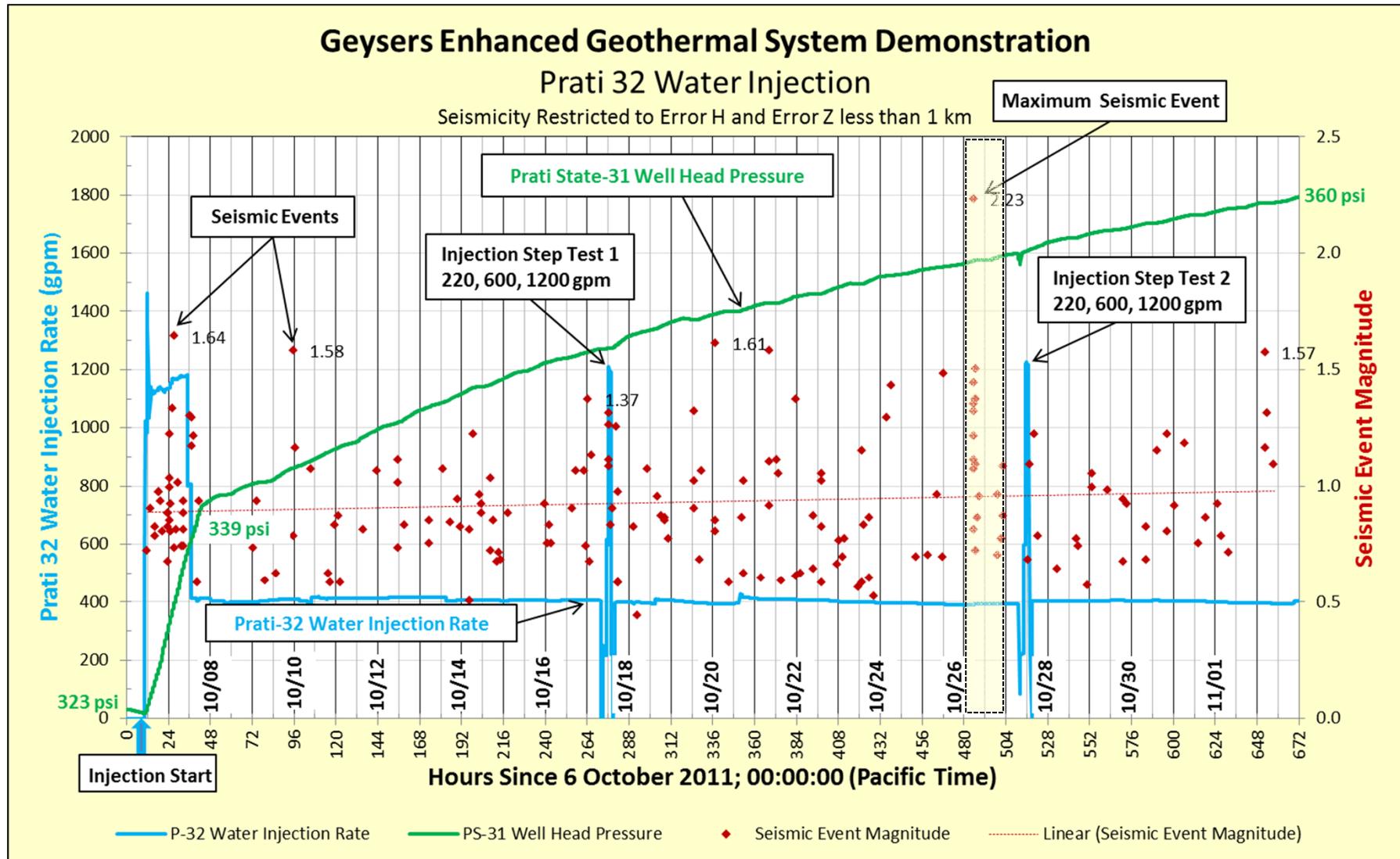


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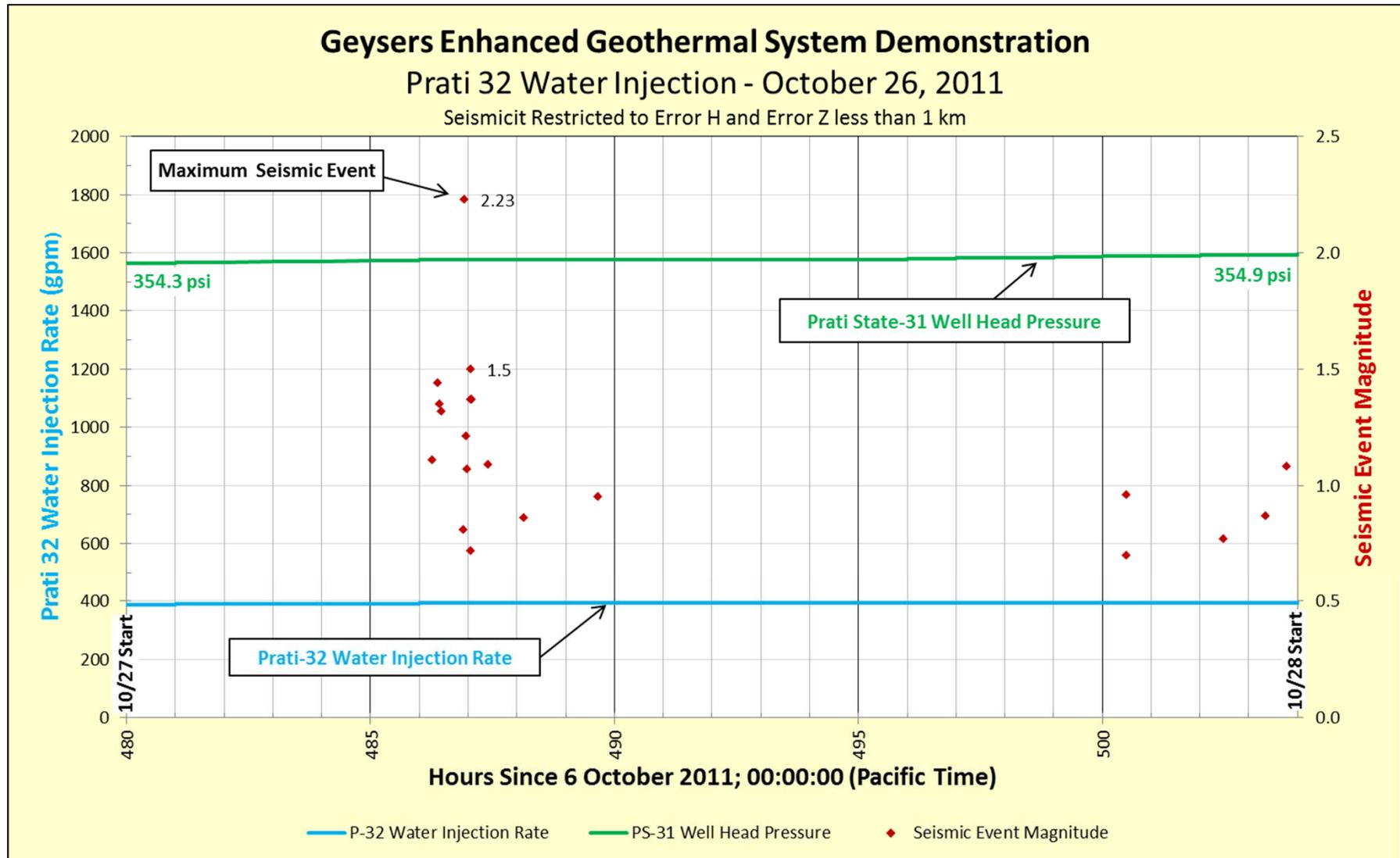
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Seismicity Analysis: 26 October 2011

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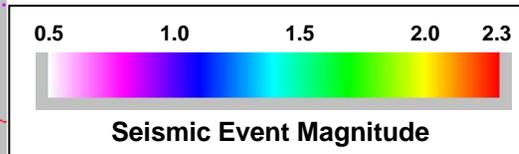
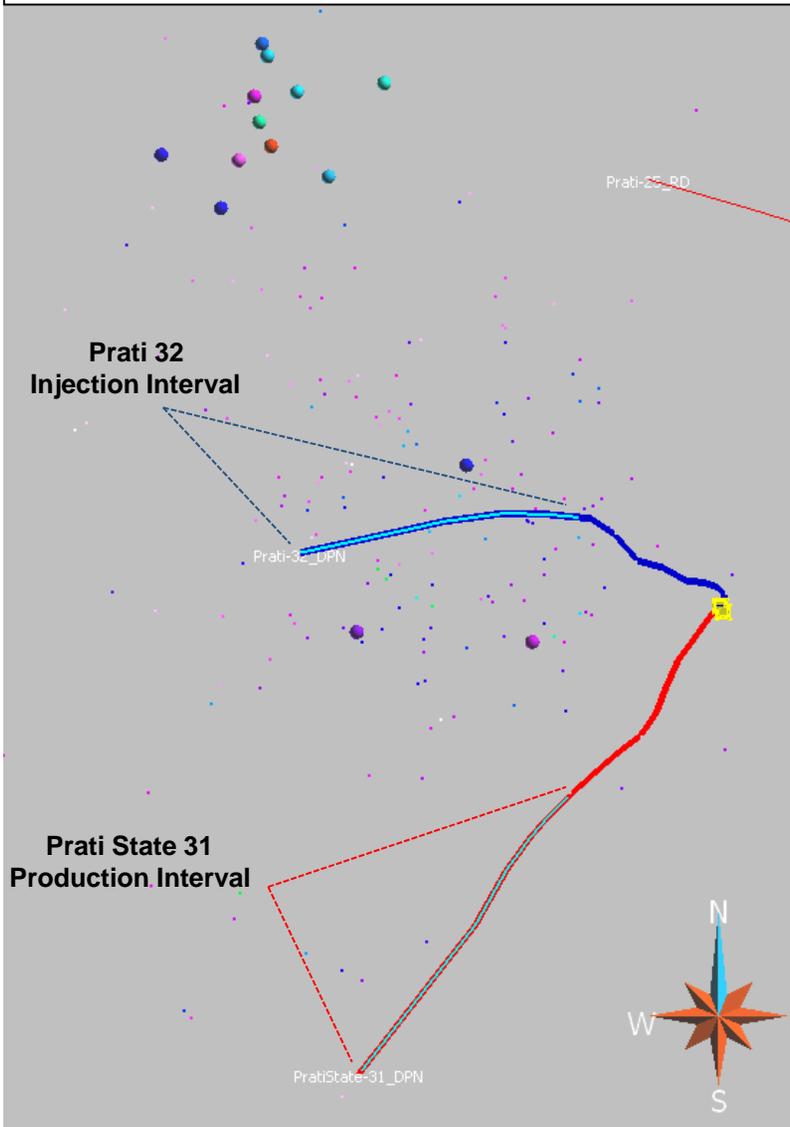
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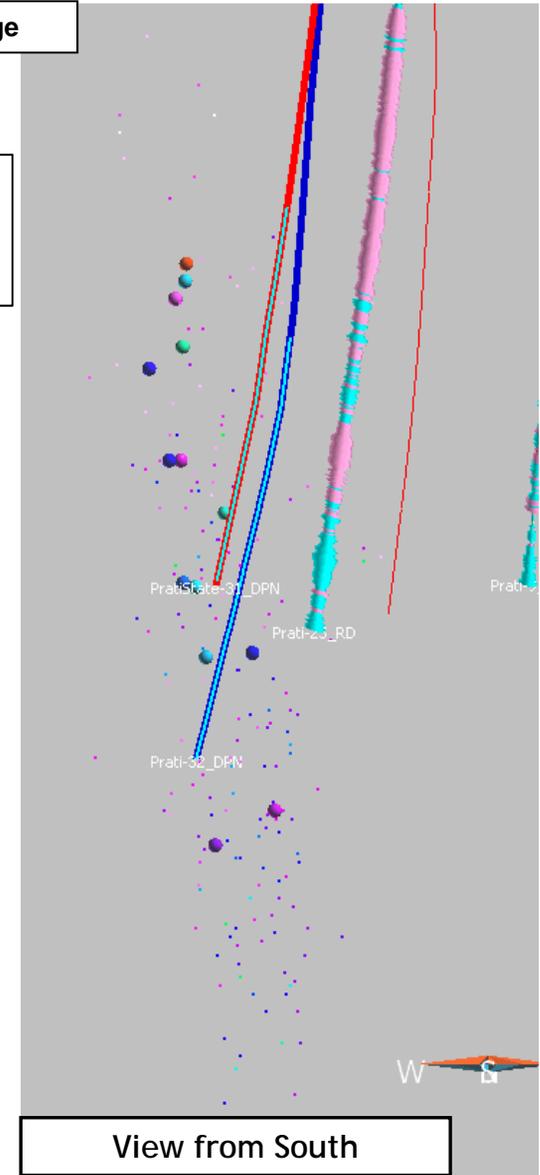


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26 October 2011 Seismic Event Hypocenters Occurrence Limited in Time, Map Area and Depth Range



Hour	Minute	Second	Magnitude
6	16	39	1.11
6	23	26	1.44
6	25	15	1.35
6	27	36	1.32
6	54	53	0.81
6	55	34	2.23
6	57	32	1.21
6	59	15	1.07
7	3	17	0.72
7	3	36	1.50
7	3	46	1.37
7	4	12	1.37
7	25	7	1.09
8	8	18	0.86
9	39	43	0.95
20	29	20	0.96
20	29	27	0.70
22	29	6	0.77
23	20	38	0.87
23	46	58	1.08

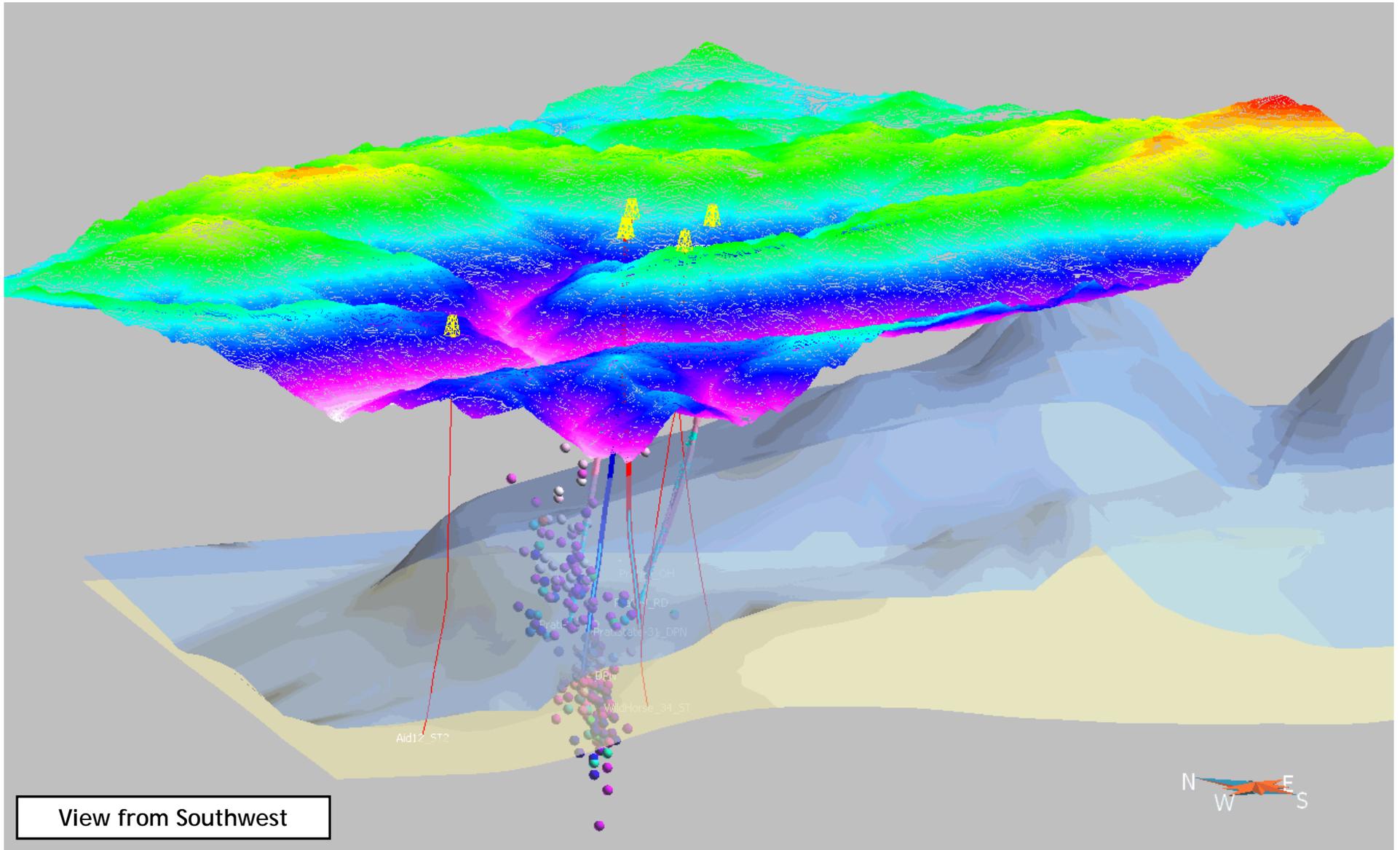


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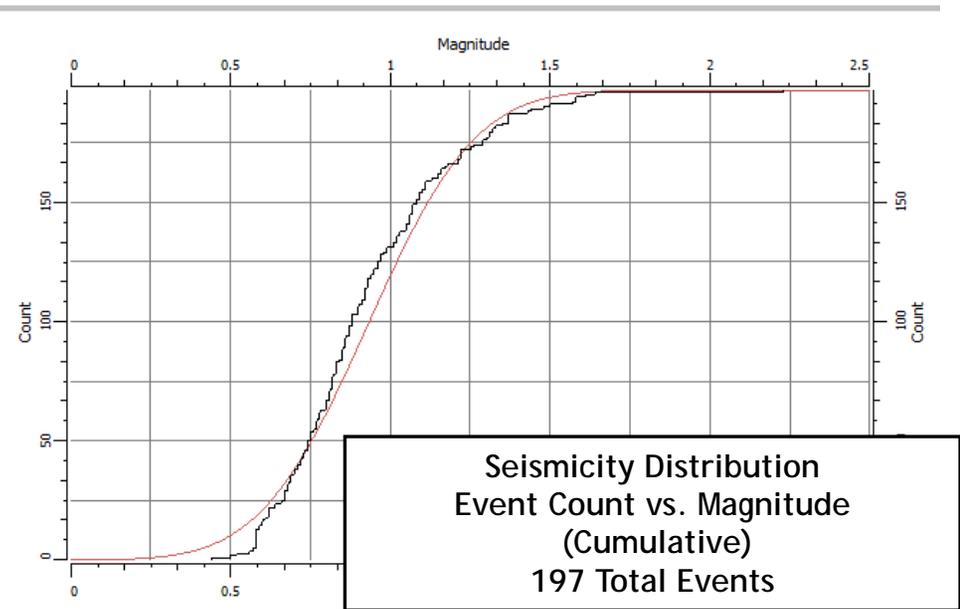
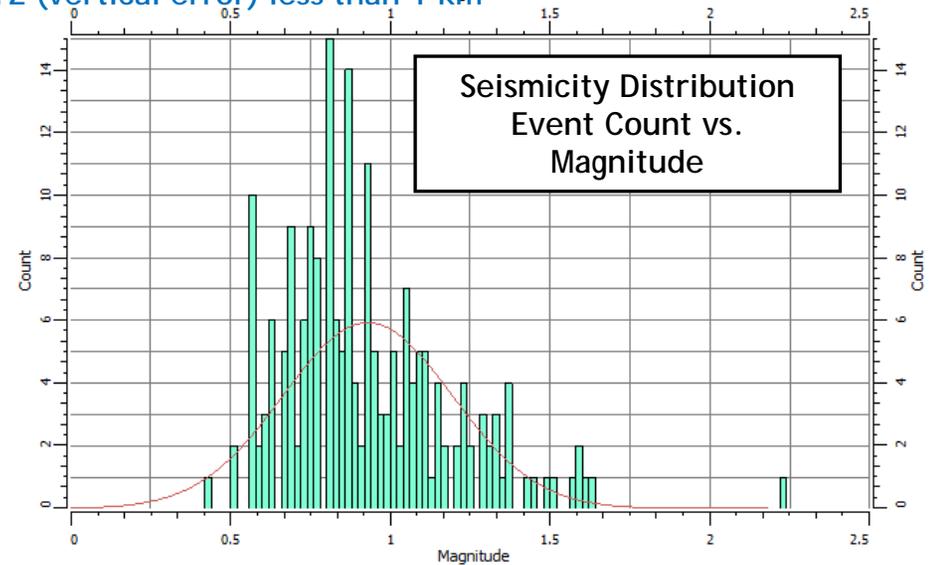
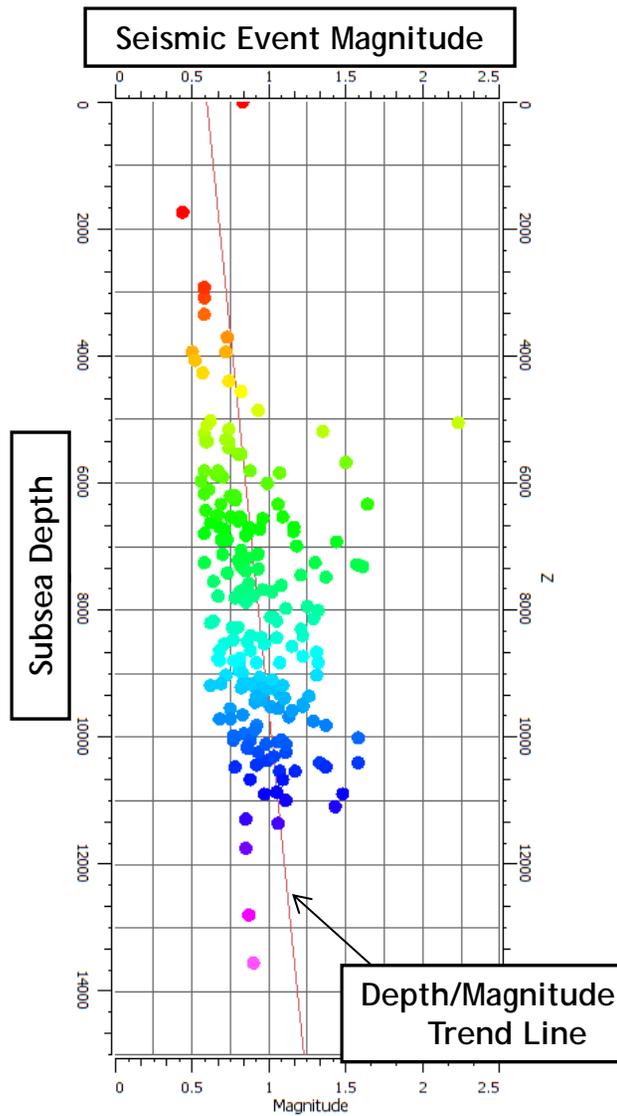


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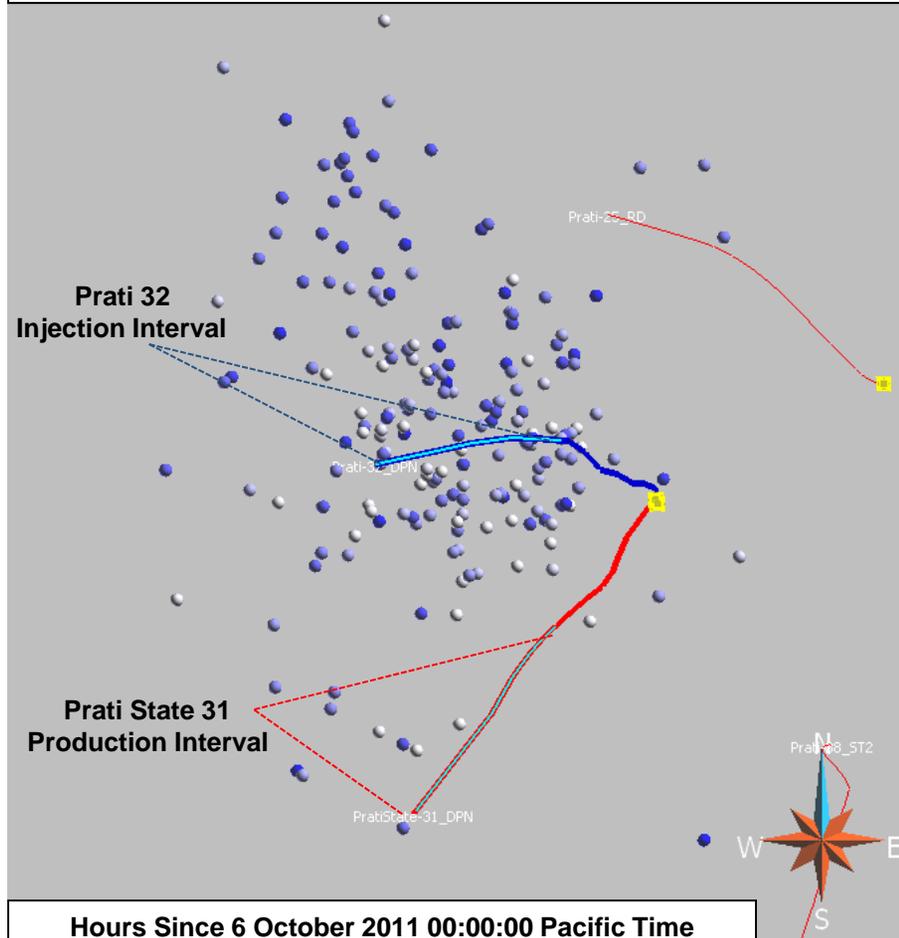
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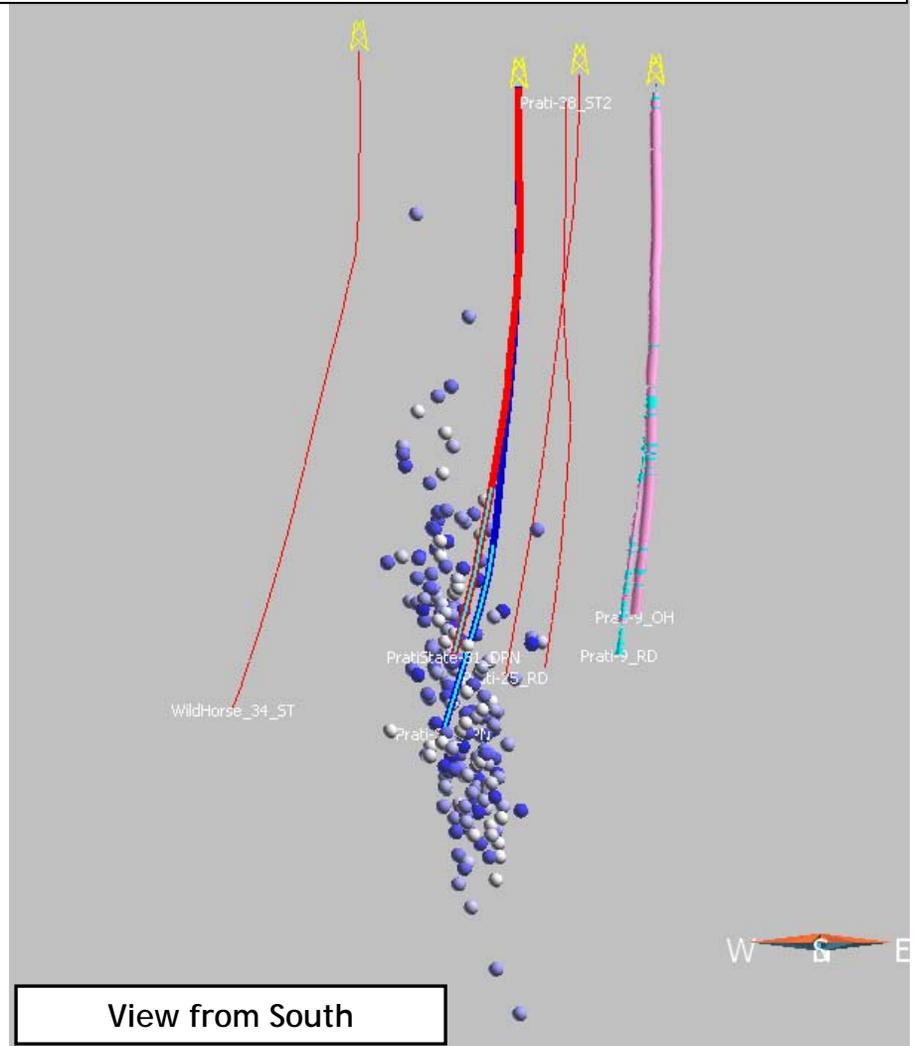
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Majority of Early Events Relatively Near Injection Center
Significantly More Events to N / NW with Increasing Time



Hours Since 6 October 2011 00:00:00 Pacific Time



View from South

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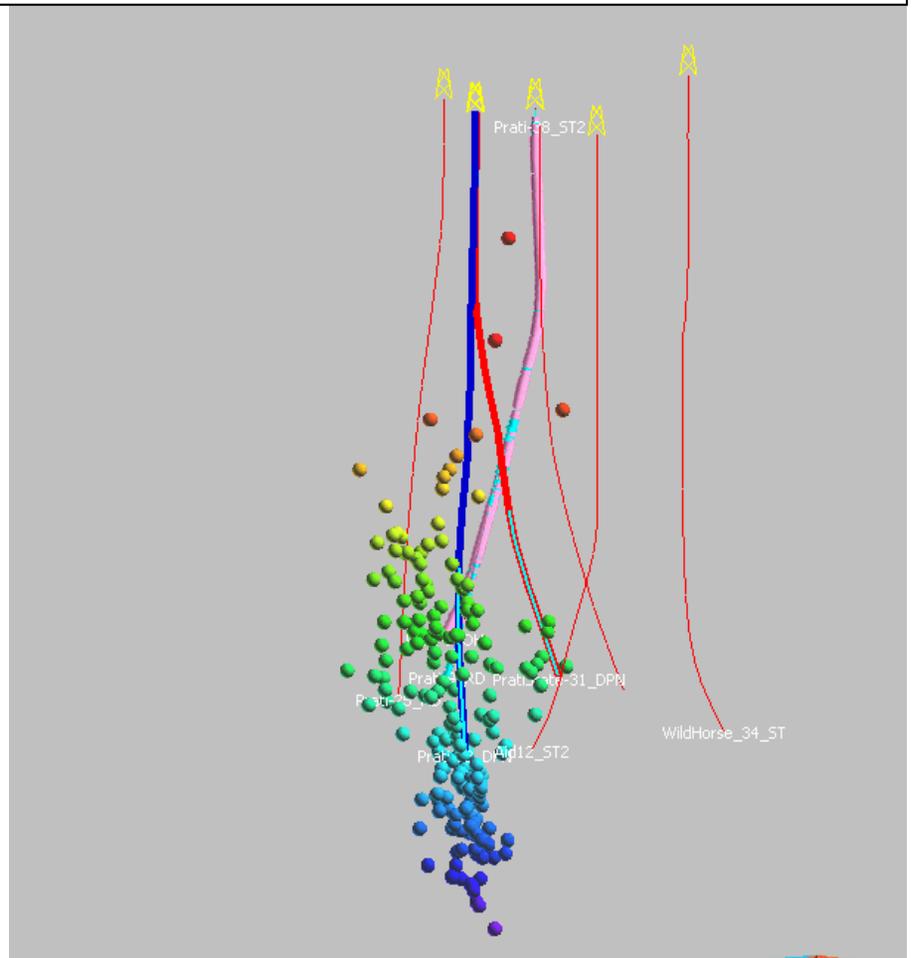
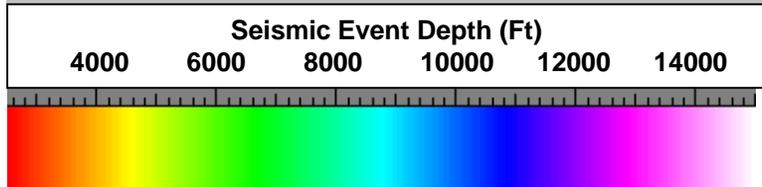
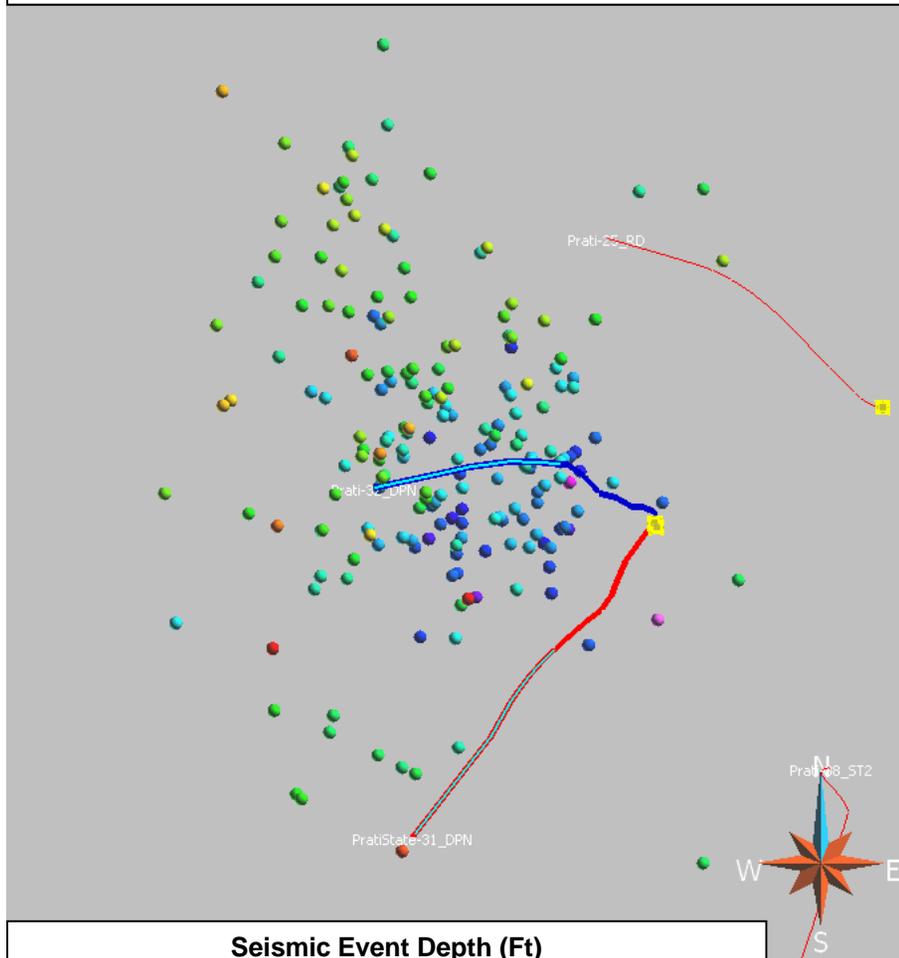
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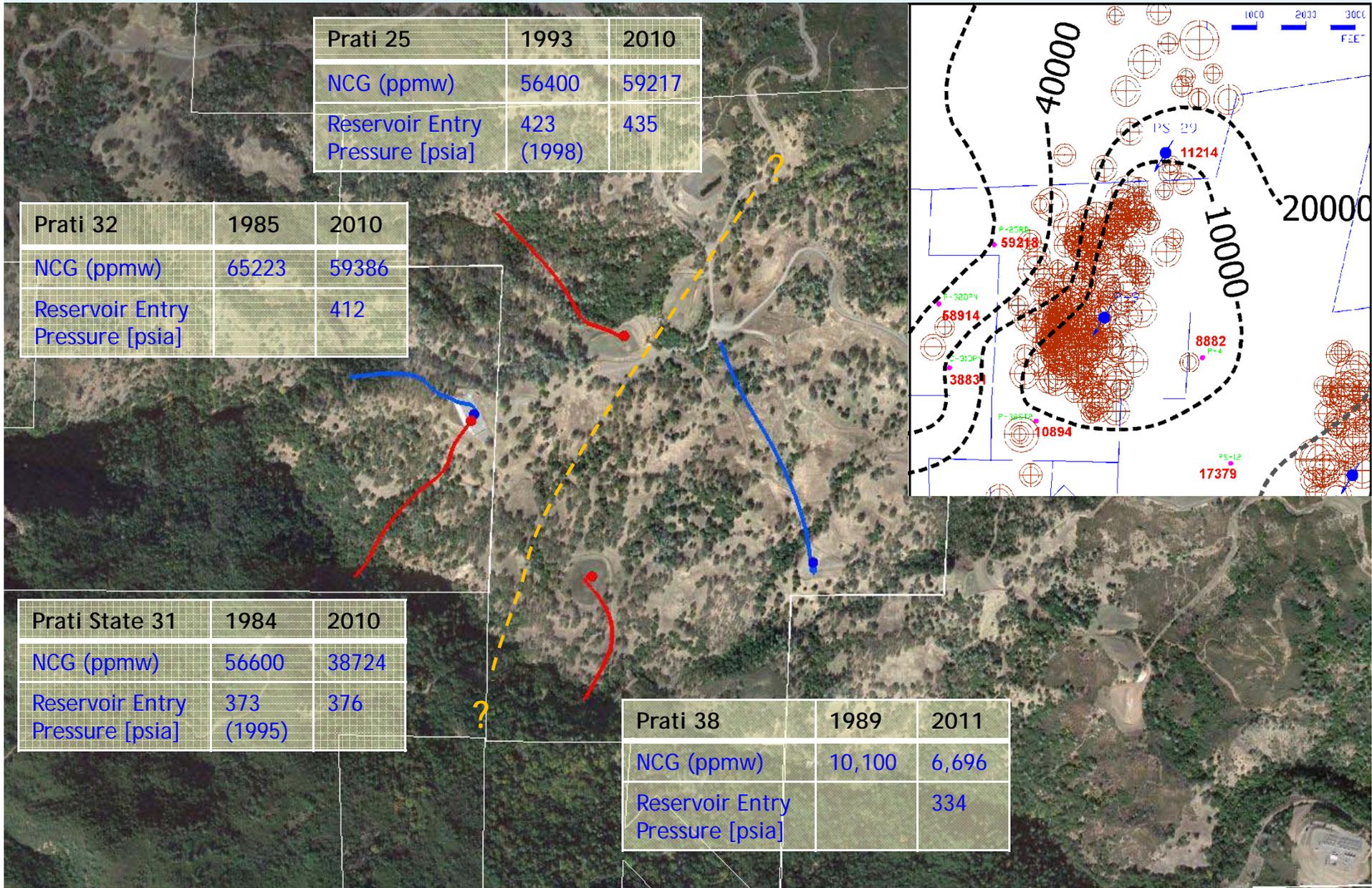
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Seismic Event Hypocenters Suggest Preferential Water Movement NNW / SSE Along a Tilted Zone of Higher Permeability



View Rotates From South to West



Prati 25	1993	2010
NCG (ppmw)	56400	59217
Reservoir Entry Pressure [psia]	423 (1998)	435

Prati 32	1985	2010
NCG (ppmw)	65223	59386
Reservoir Entry Pressure [psia]		412

Prati State 31	1984	2010
NCG (ppmw)	56600	38724
Reservoir Entry Pressure [psia]	373 (1995)	376

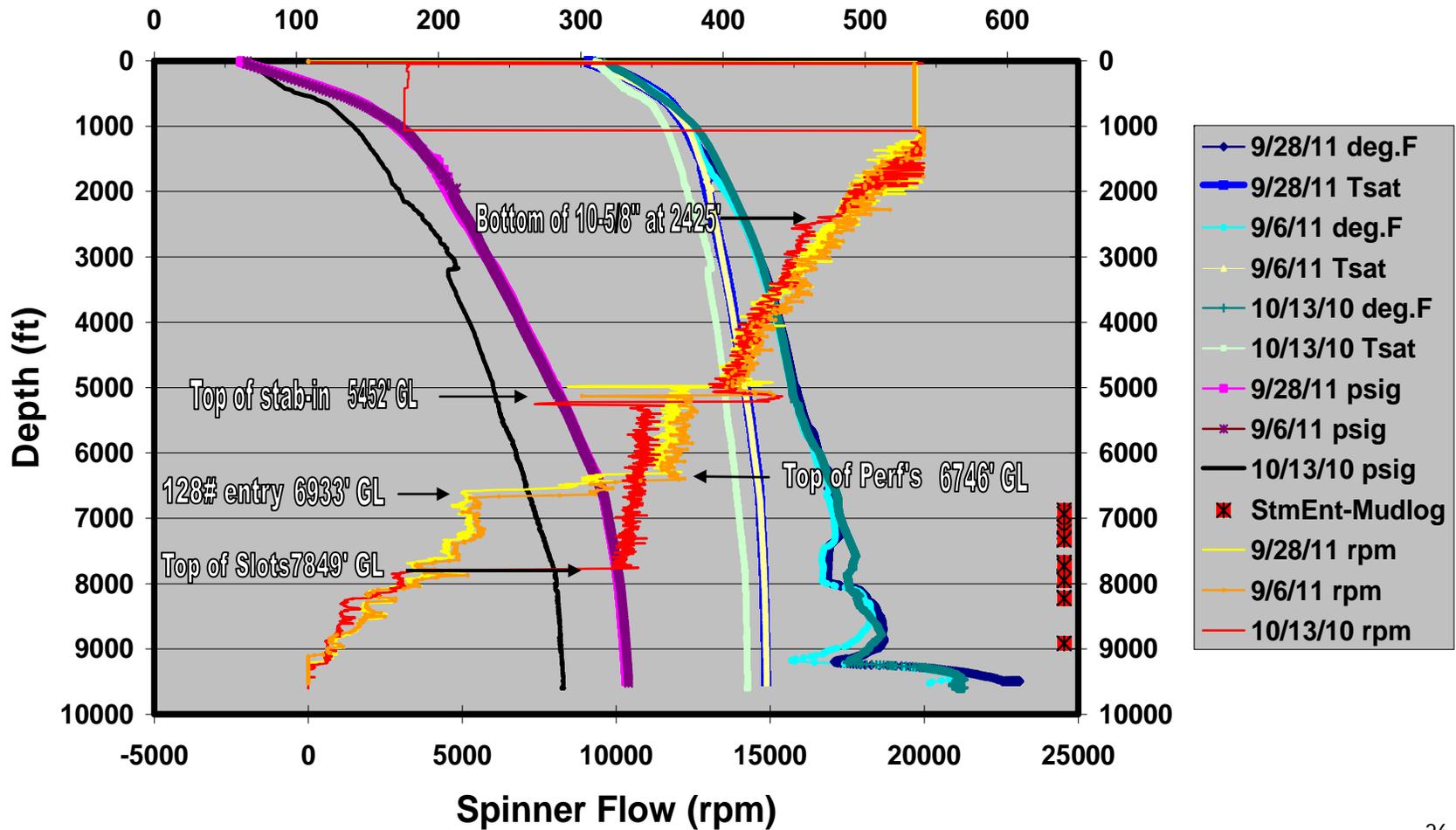
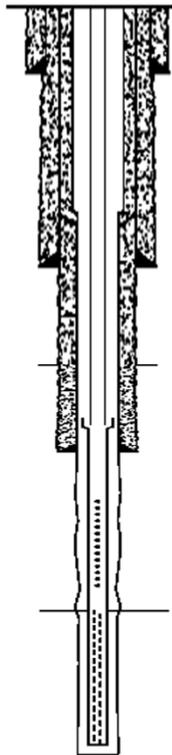
Prati 38	1989	2011
NCG (ppmw)	10,100	6,696
Reservoir Entry Pressure [psia]		334

Prati State 31
 Pressure-Temperature-Spinner (PTS) Logs

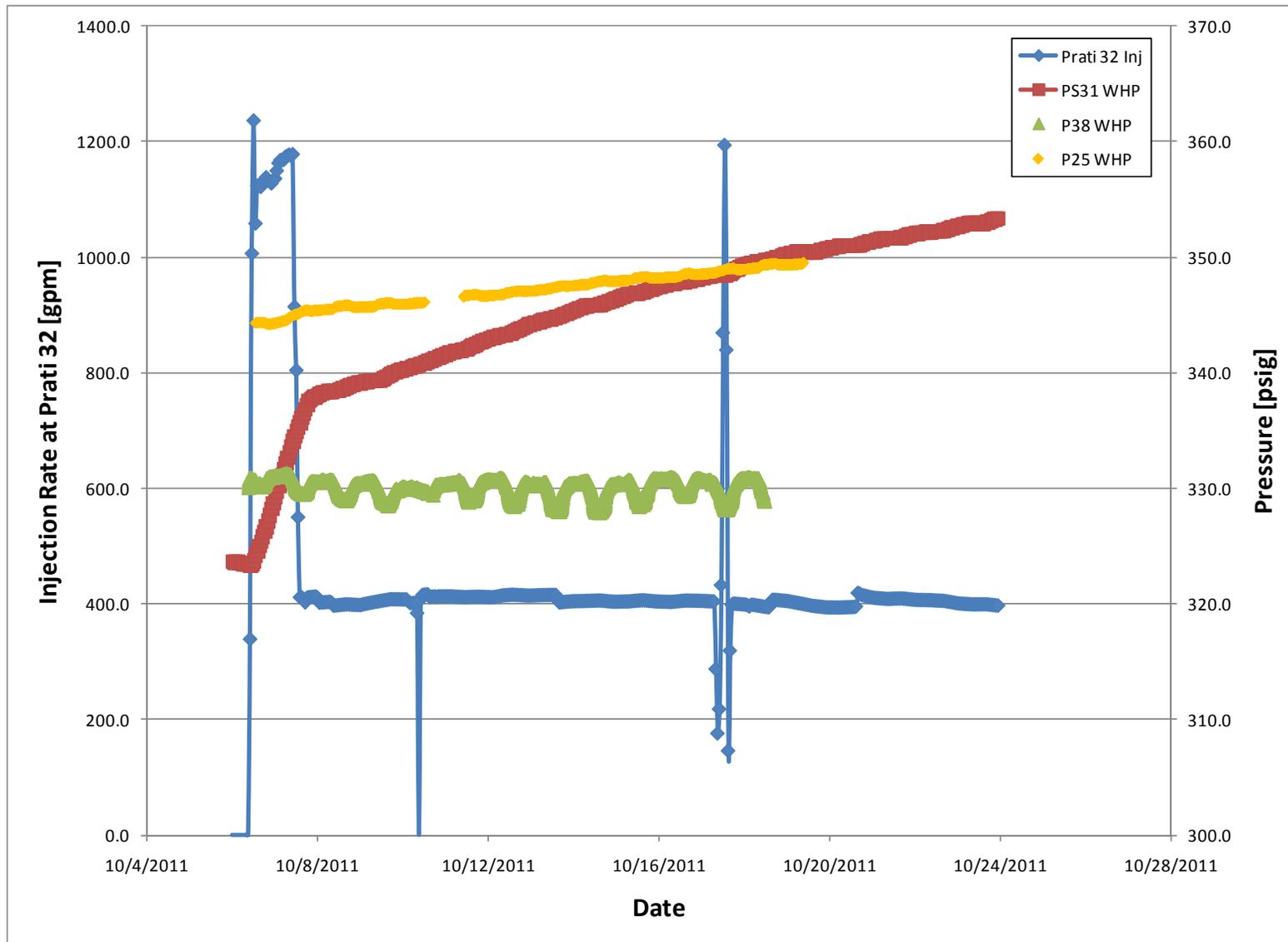


PS31 PTS 10/13/10, 9/6/11 and 9/28/11

Temp.(deg.F) & Press.(psig)



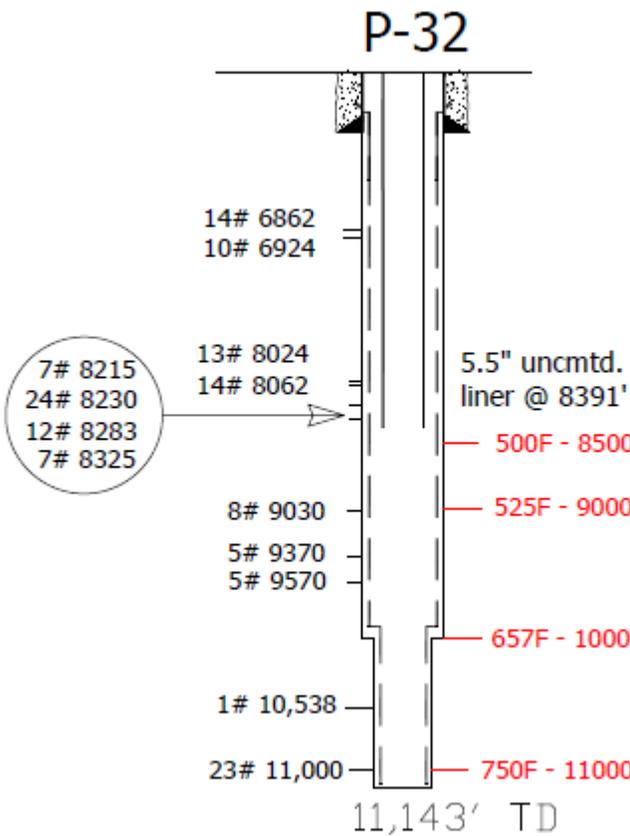
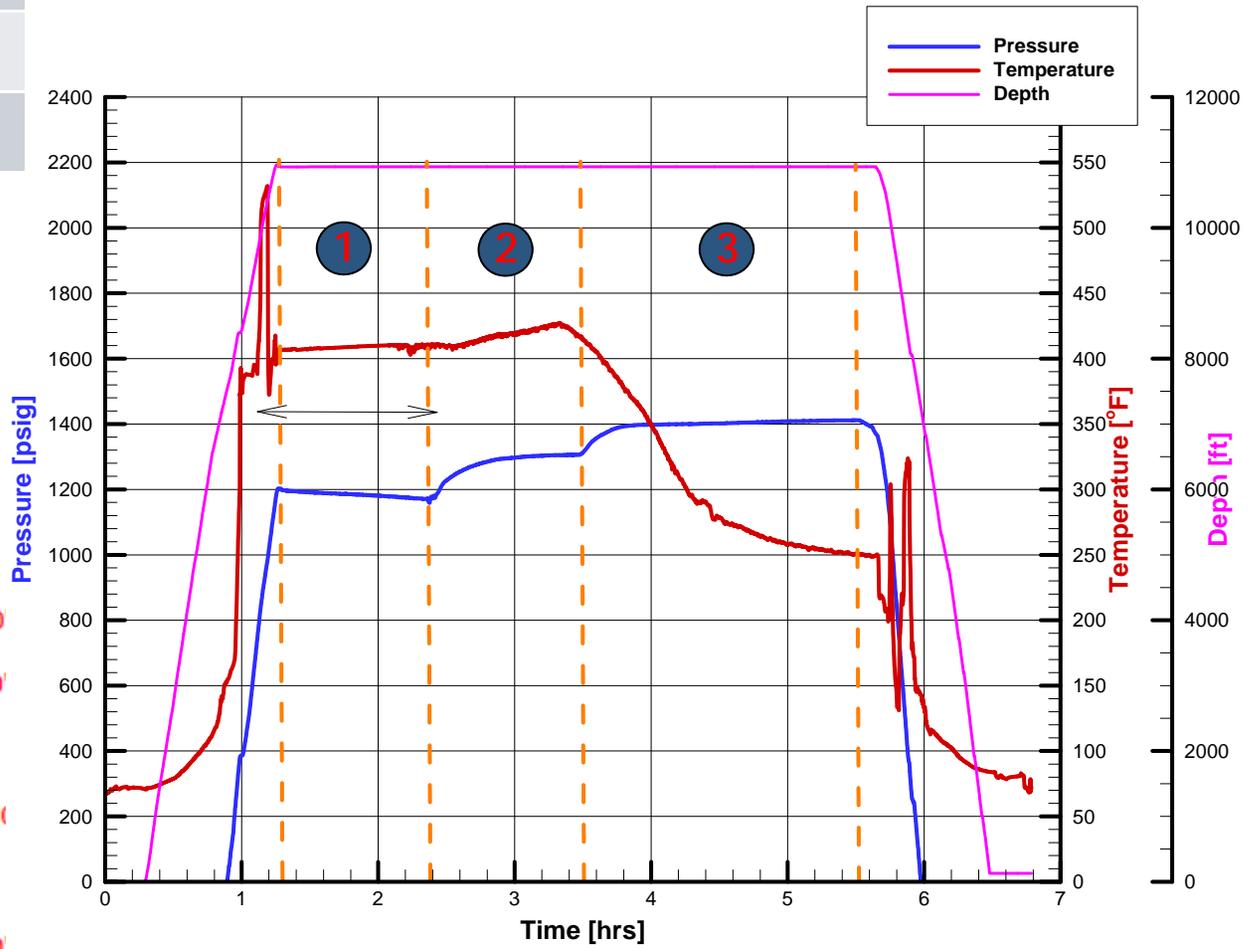
Initial Effects of Prati 32 injection on Prati State -31



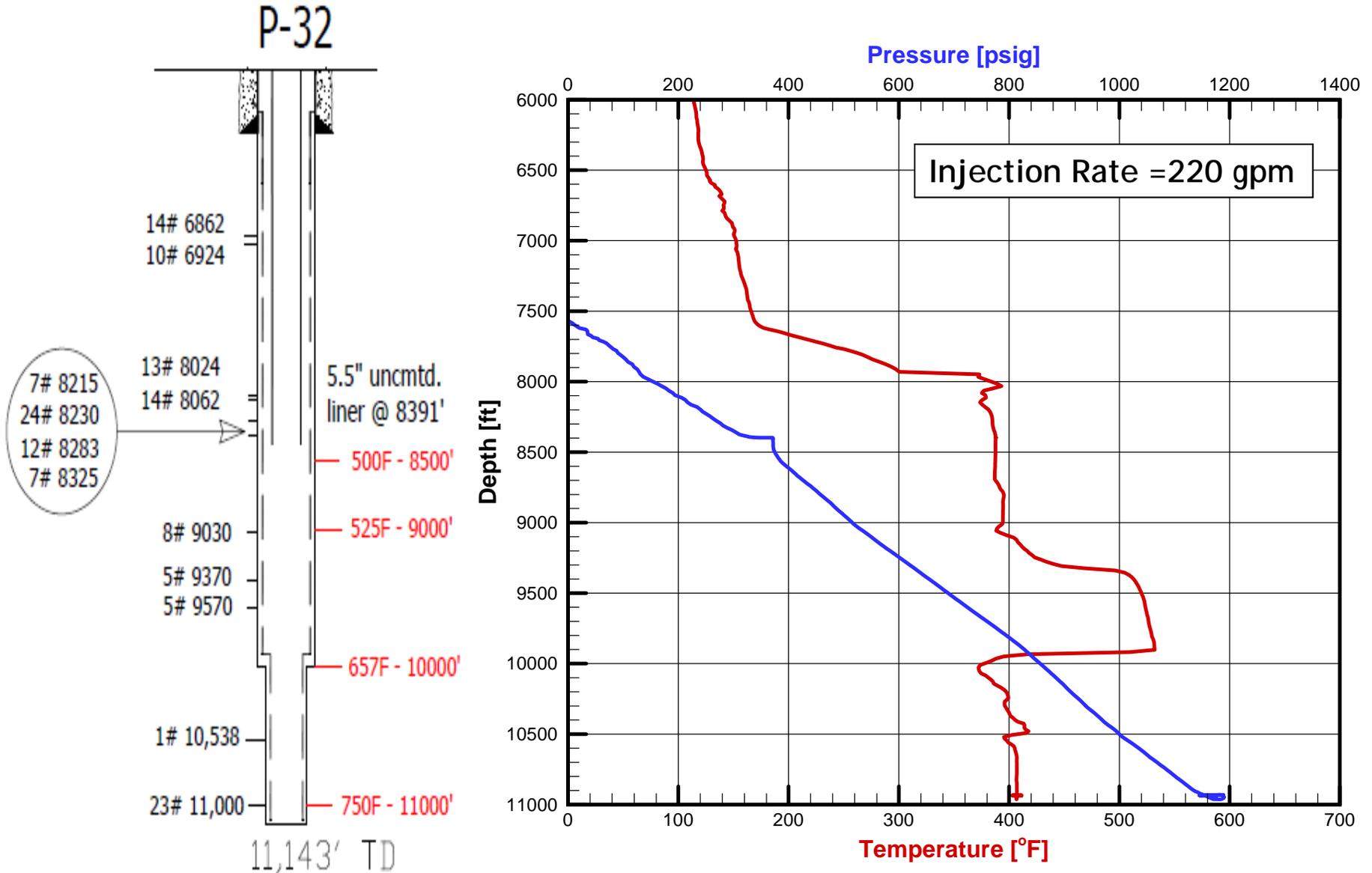
Prati 32 Pressure-Temperature Injectivity Test



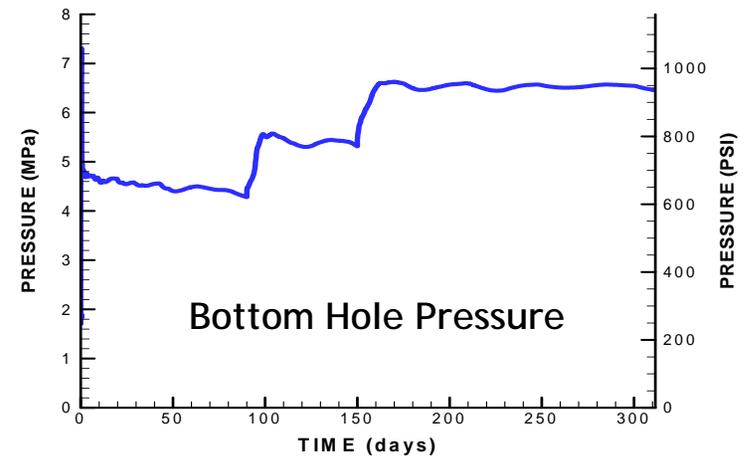
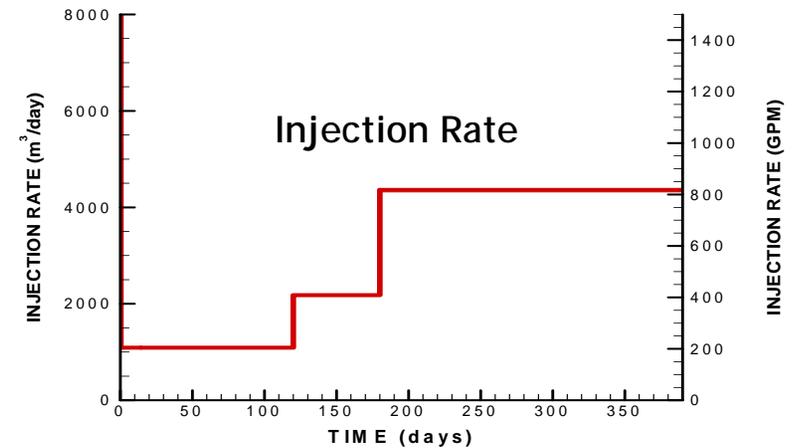
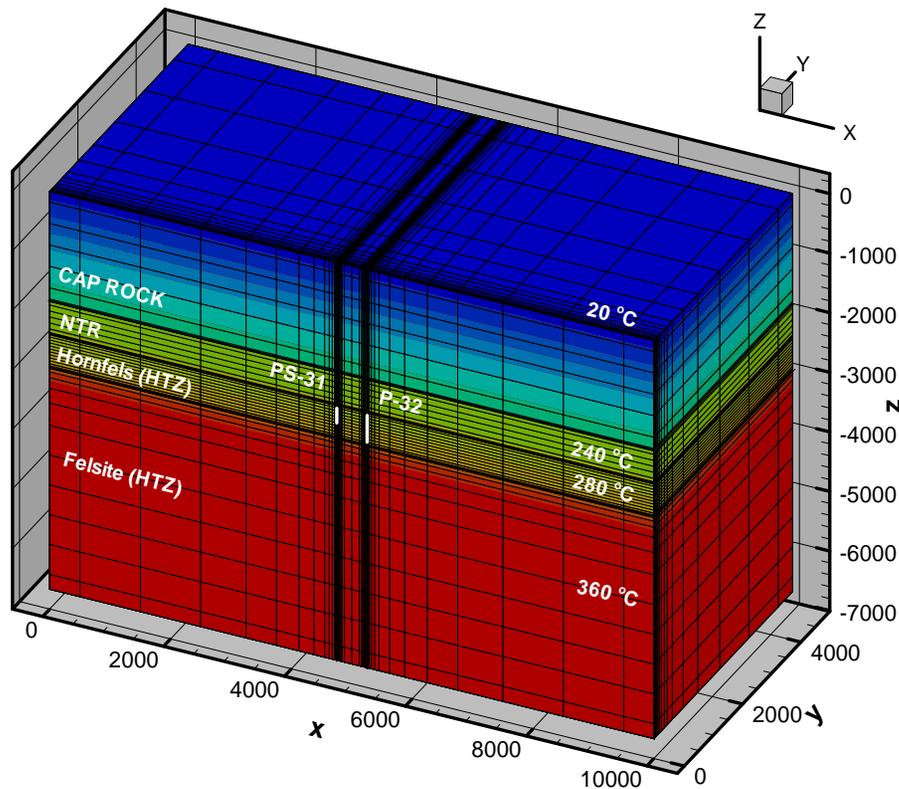
	Injection Rate [gpm]	Water Level [ft]
1	280	7690
2	620	7300
3	1200	7440



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Northwest Geysers EGS Demonstration Reservoir Modeling



Staged injection rates over 12 months

“Gentle” progressive stimulation of the High Temperature Zone



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Mitch Stark:

The 1 km for our in-house data sounds vaguely correct, but I don't remember much of the basis for that. Craig, in the files you might find some old memos by Bob Daniel, and maybe even by me, circa early 1990's, in which we tried to estimate the hypocentral accuracy. There was a calibration shot, among other techniques tried.

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The 1 km for our in-house data sounds vaguely correct, but I don't remember much of the basis for that. Craig, in the files you might find some old memos by Bob Daniel, and maybe even by me, circa early 1990's, in which we tried to estimate the hypocentral accuracy. There was a calibration shot, among other techniques tried.