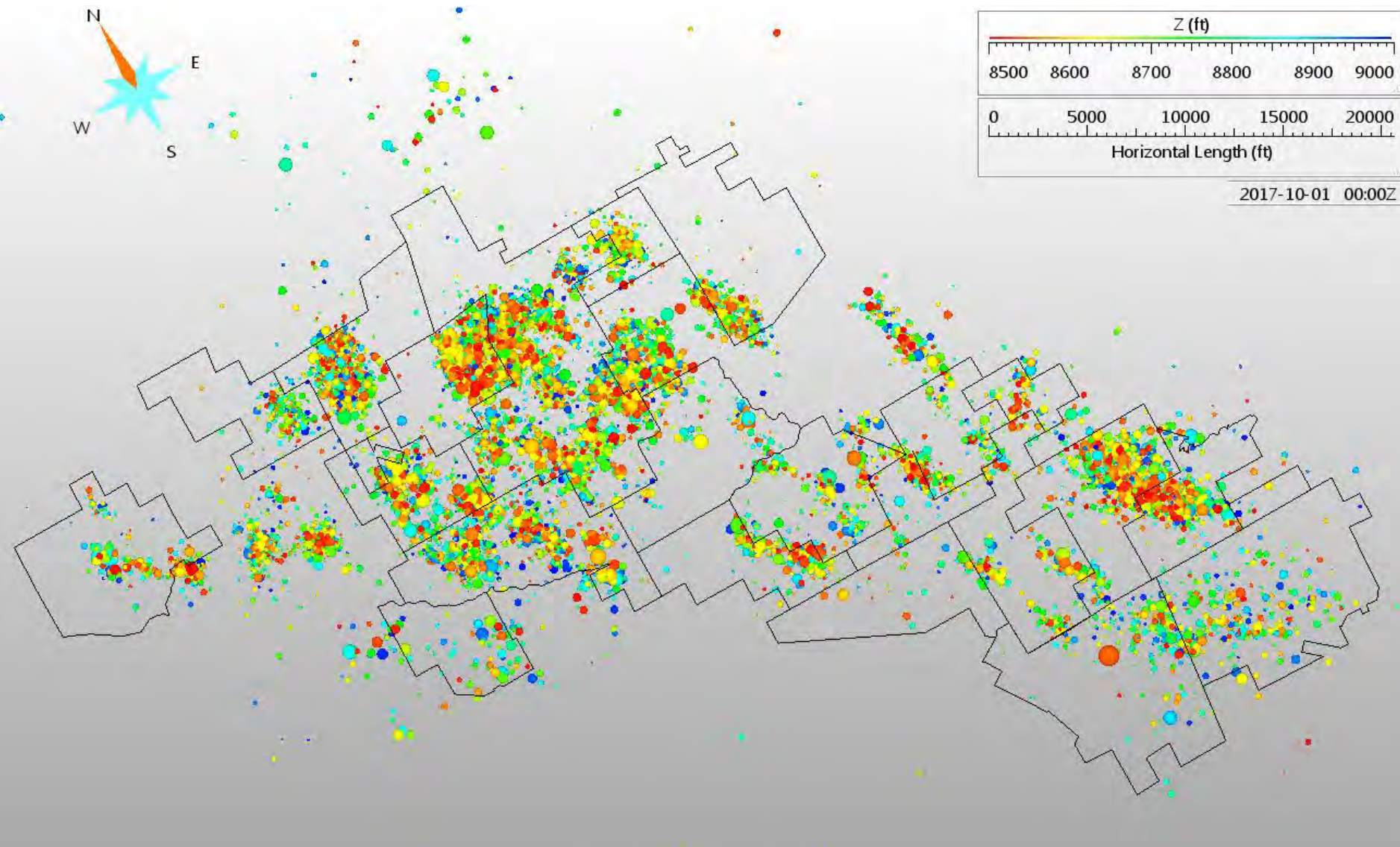


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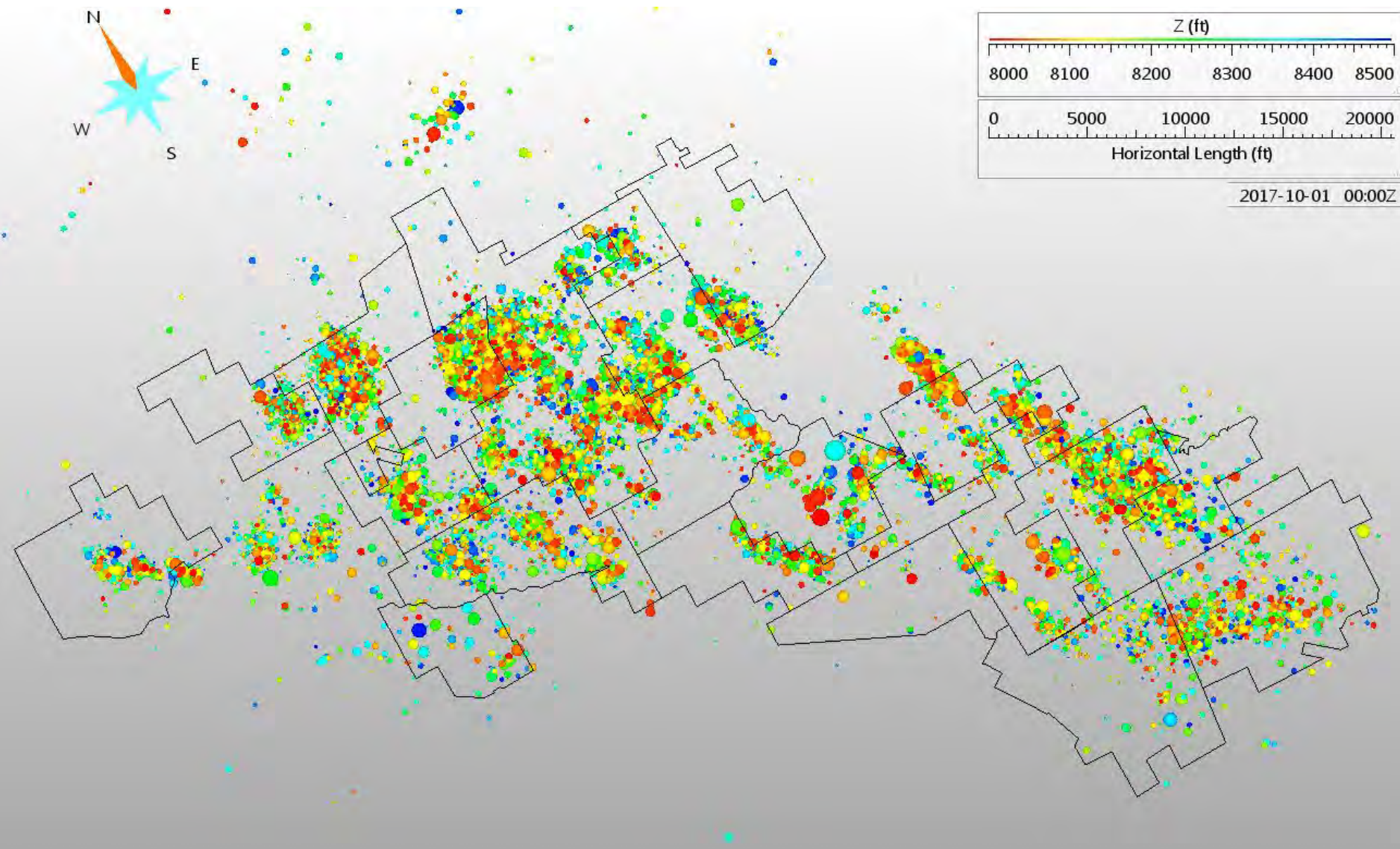
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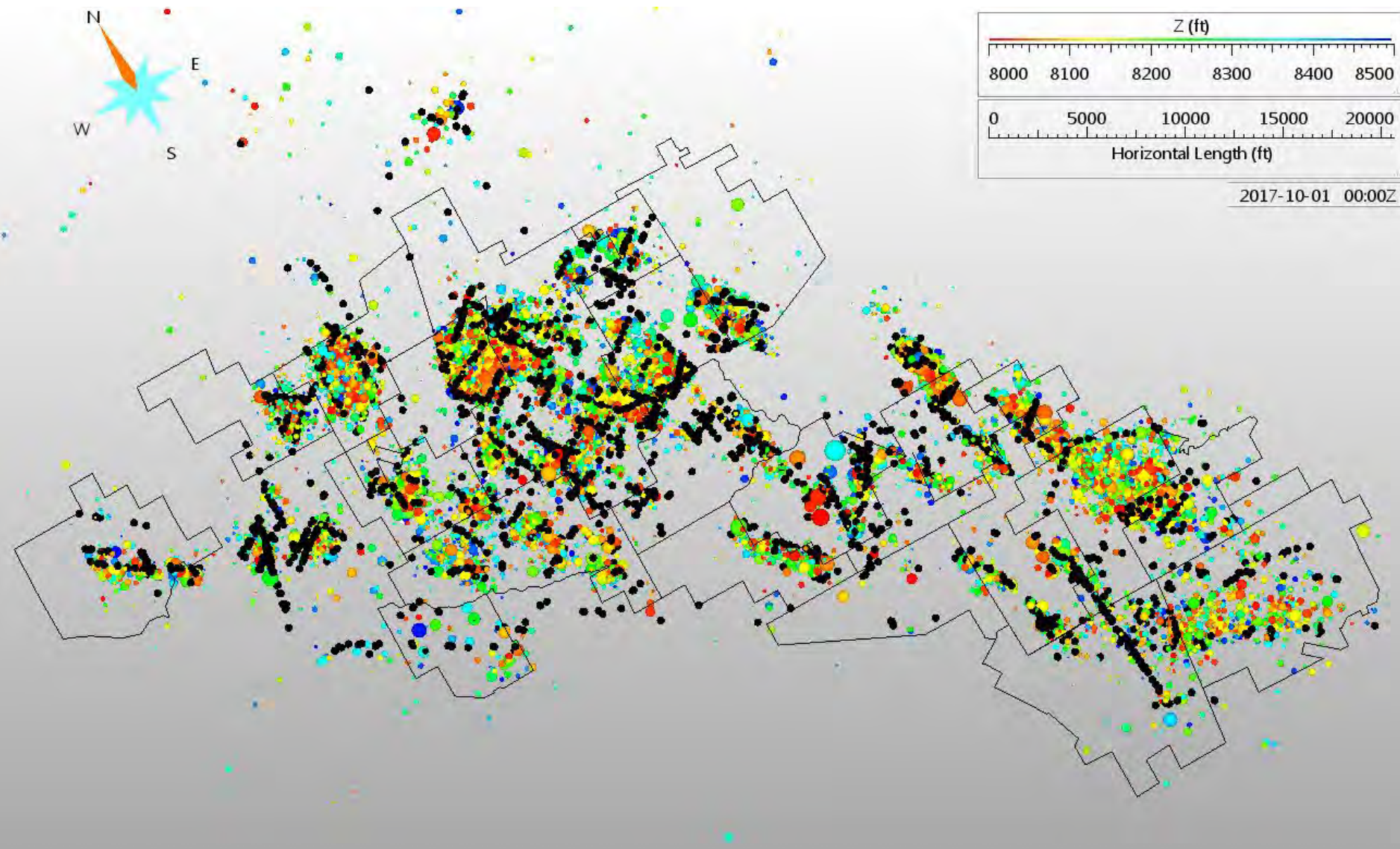
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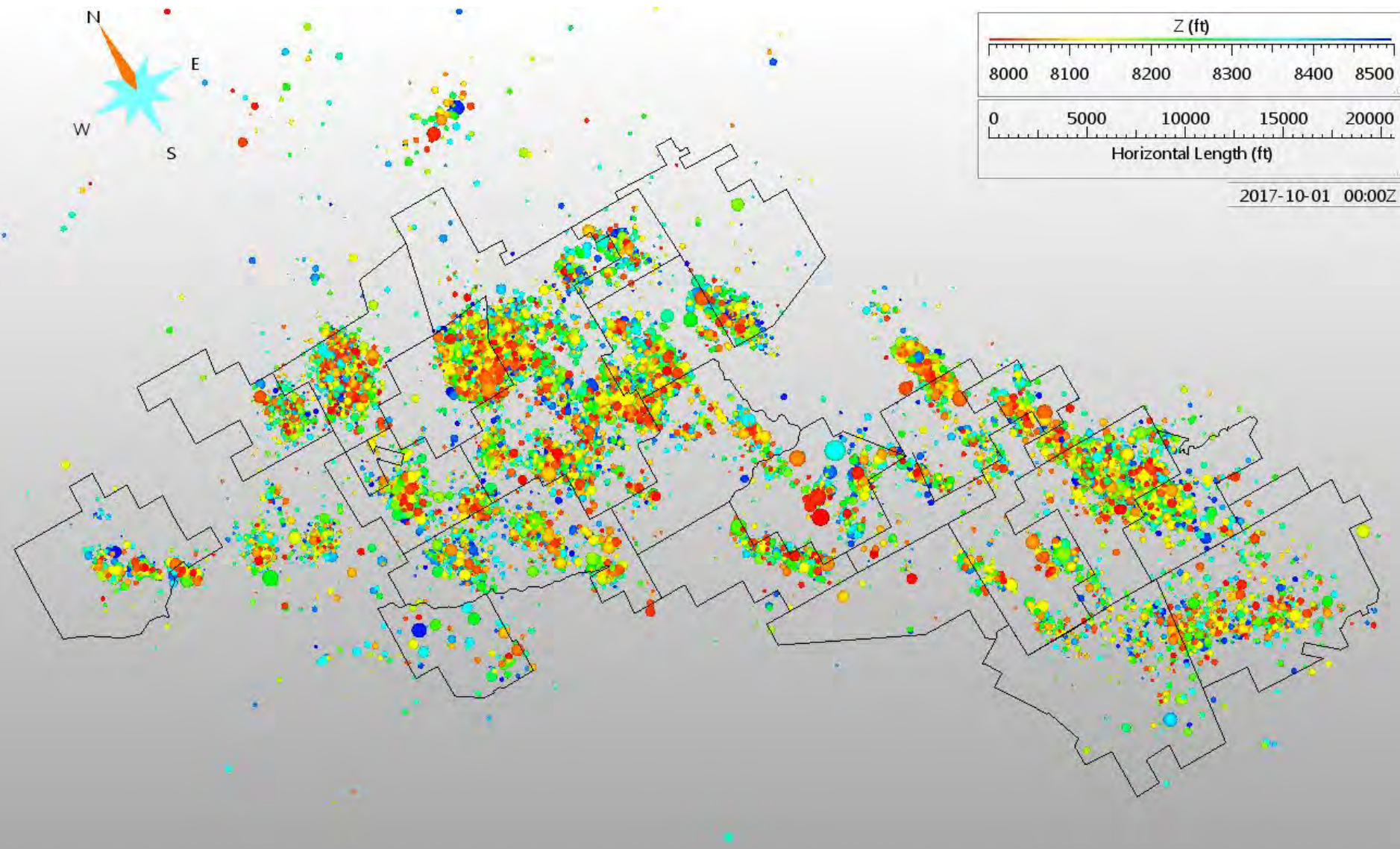
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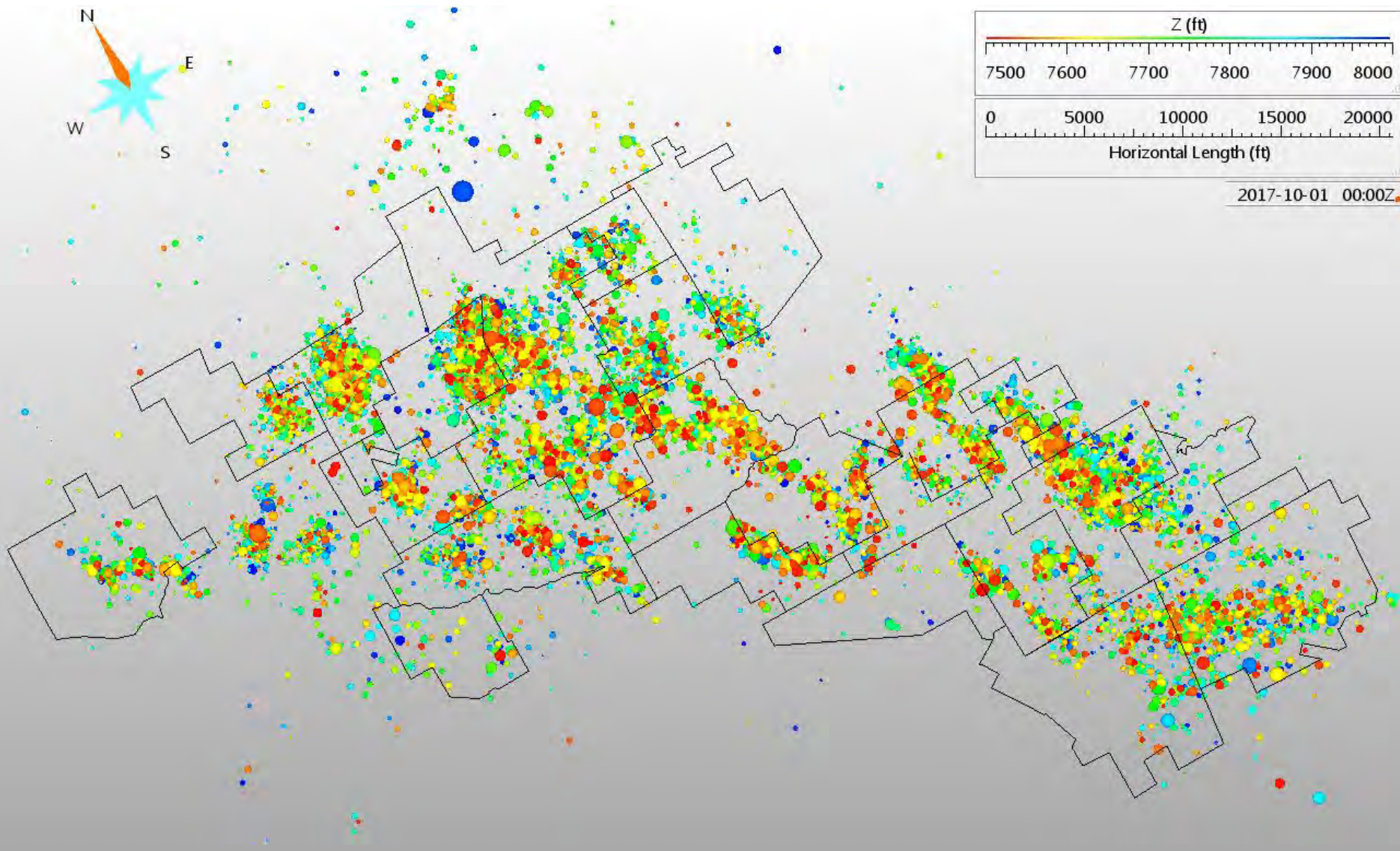
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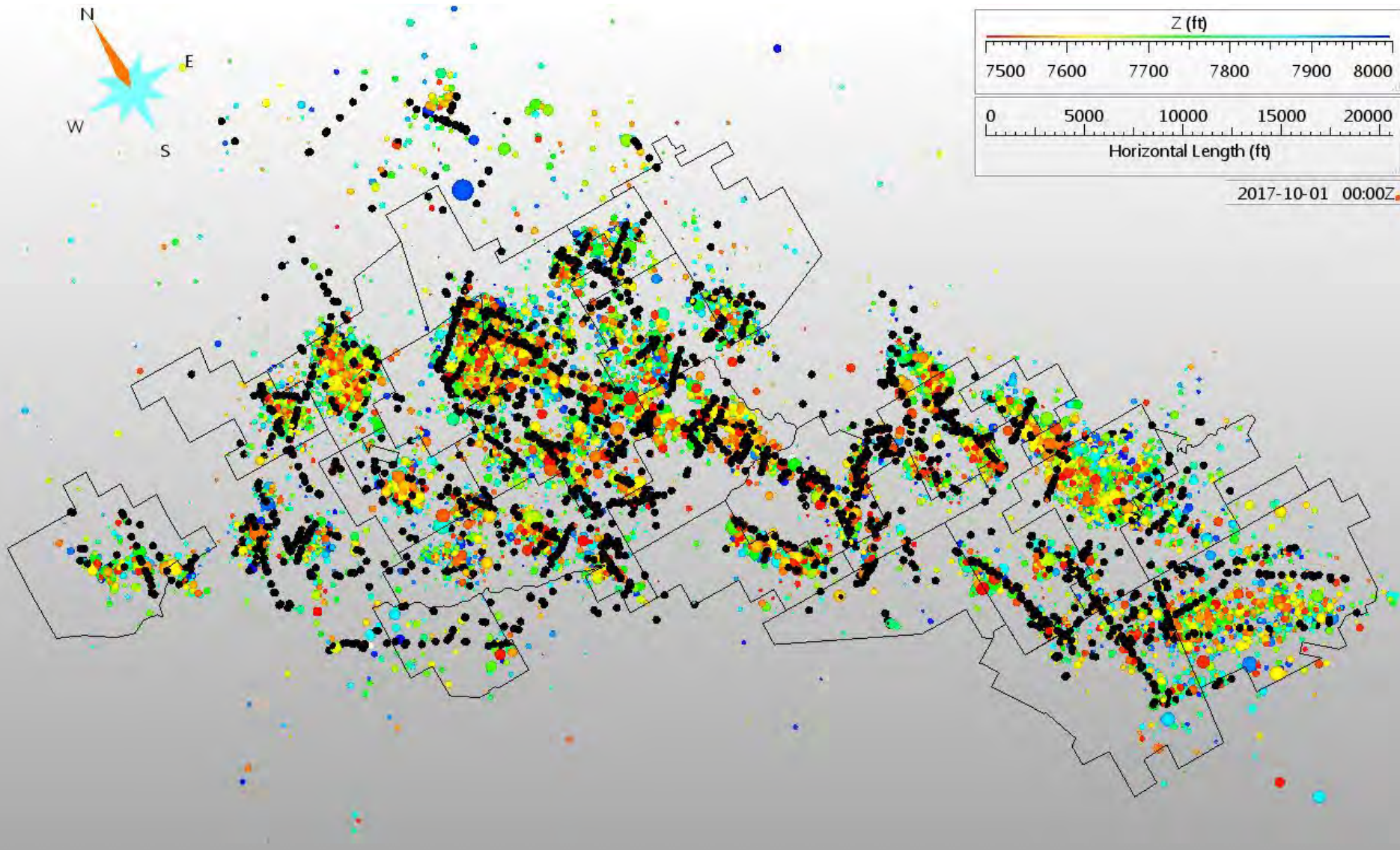
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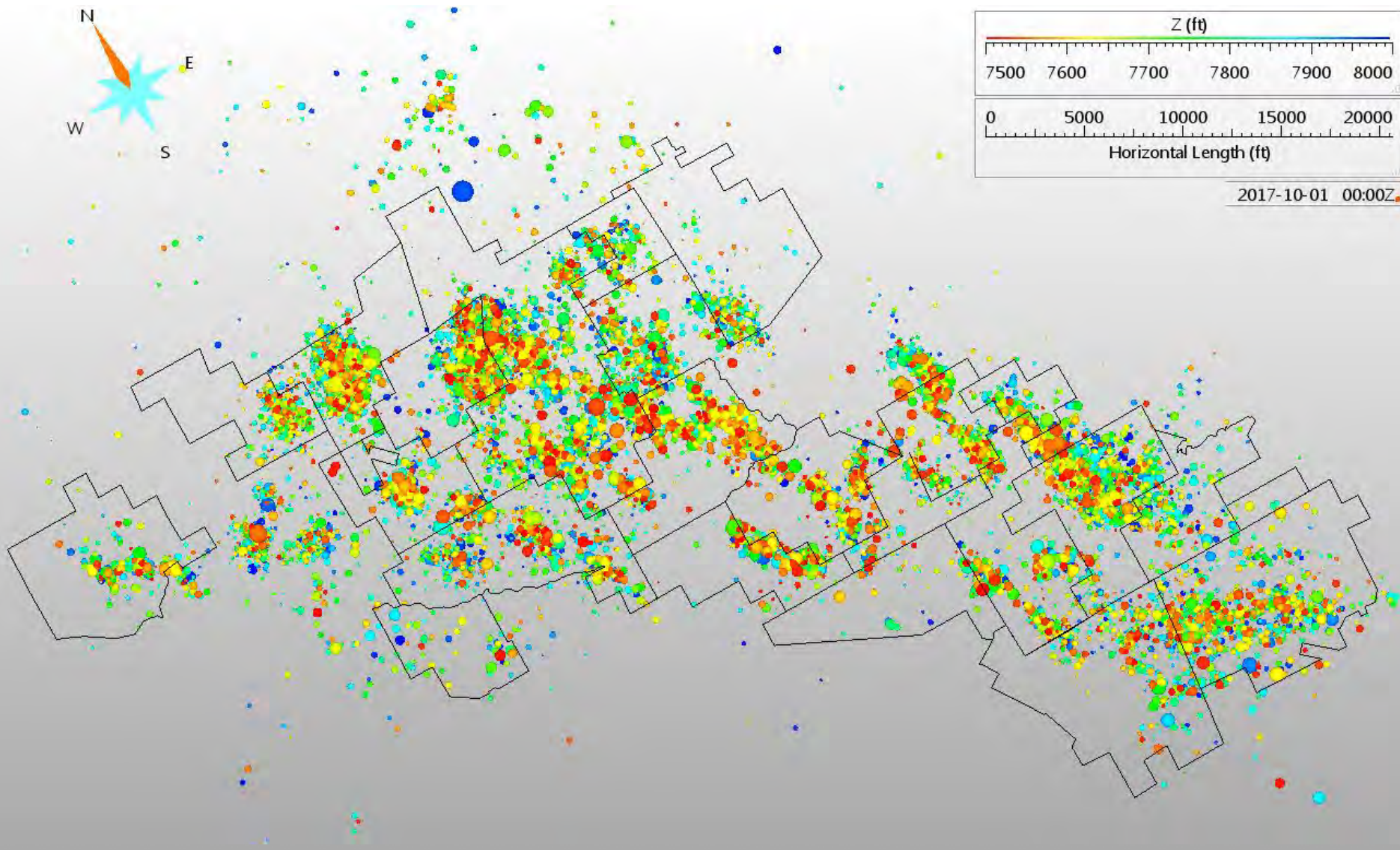
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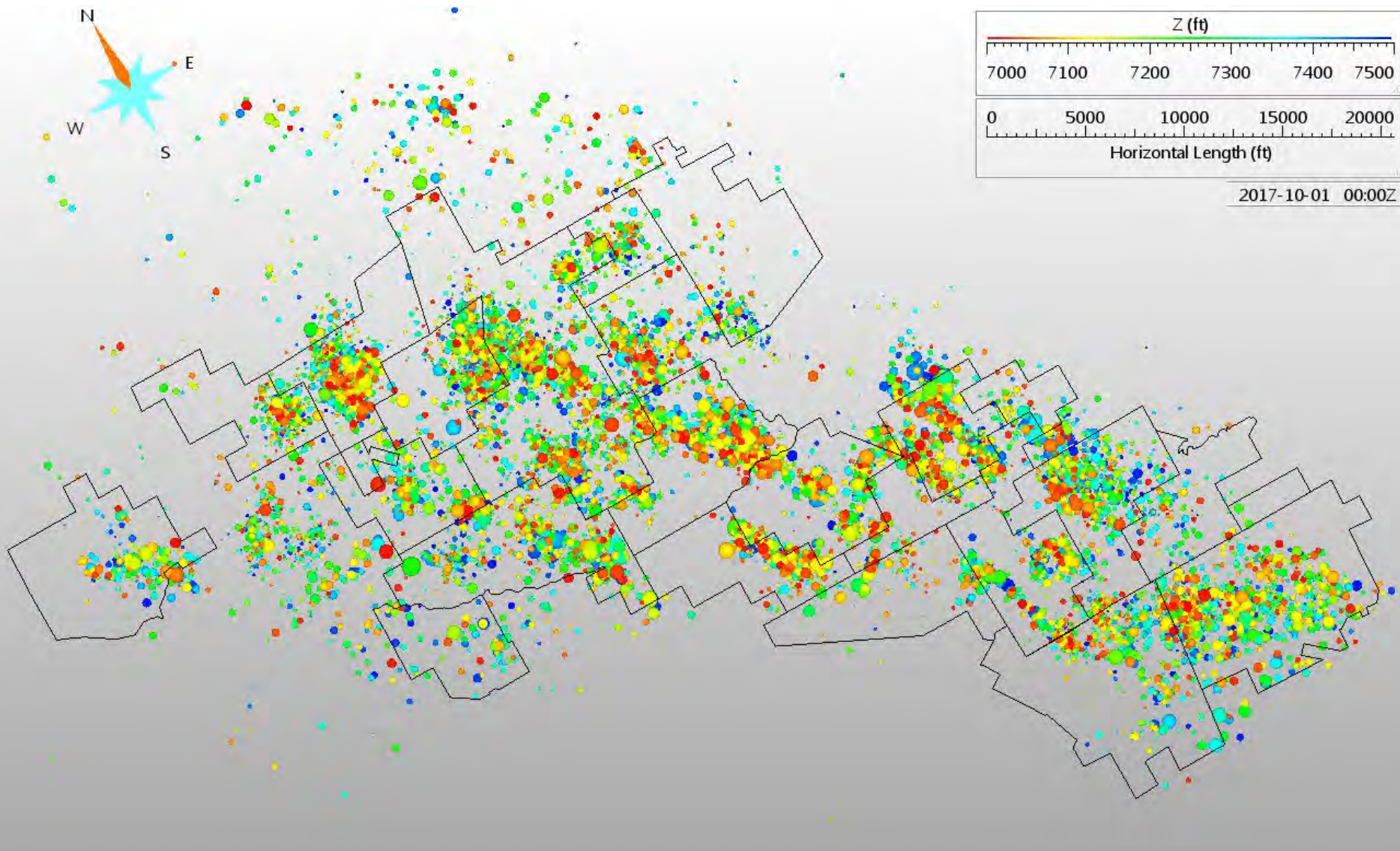
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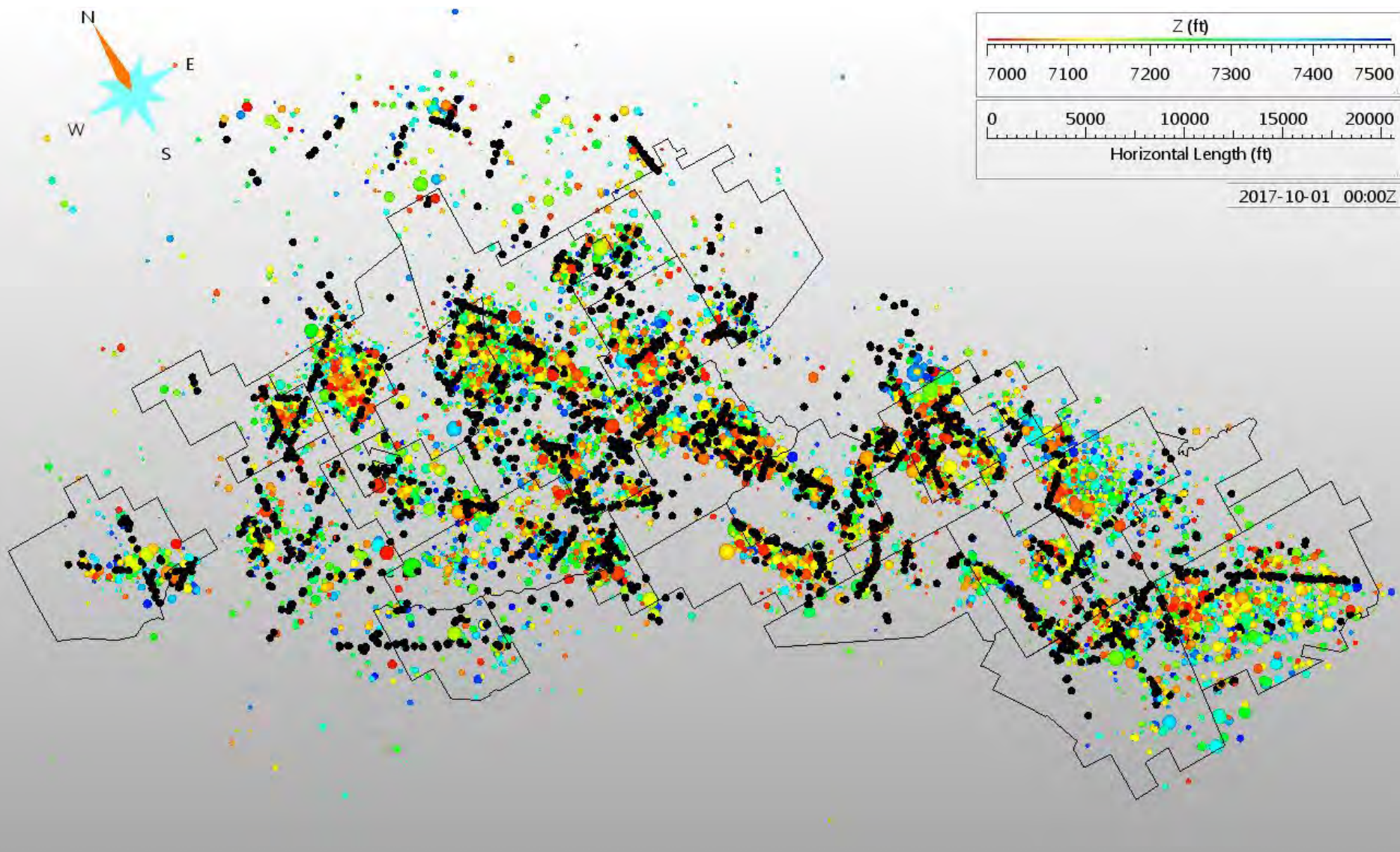
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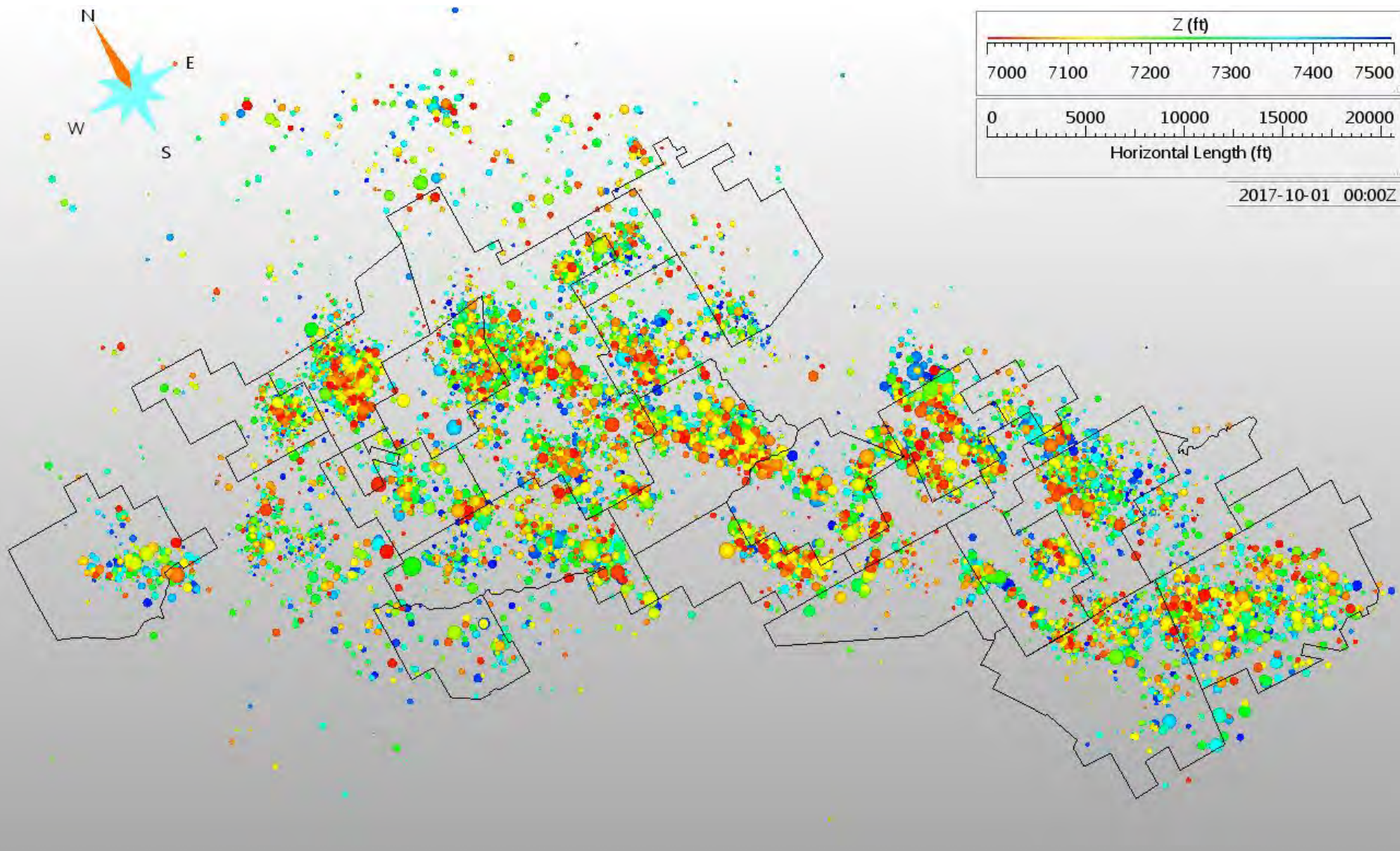
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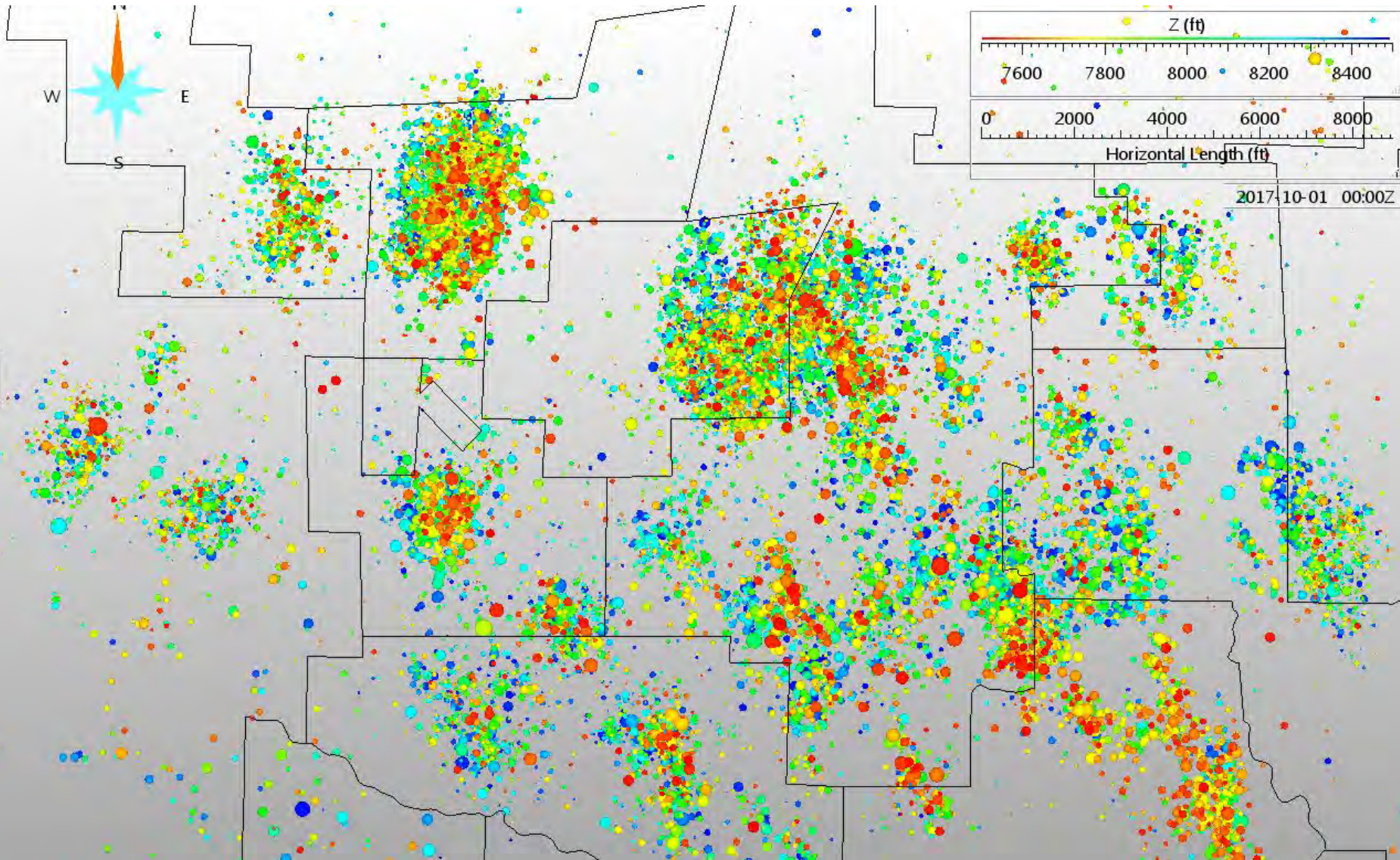
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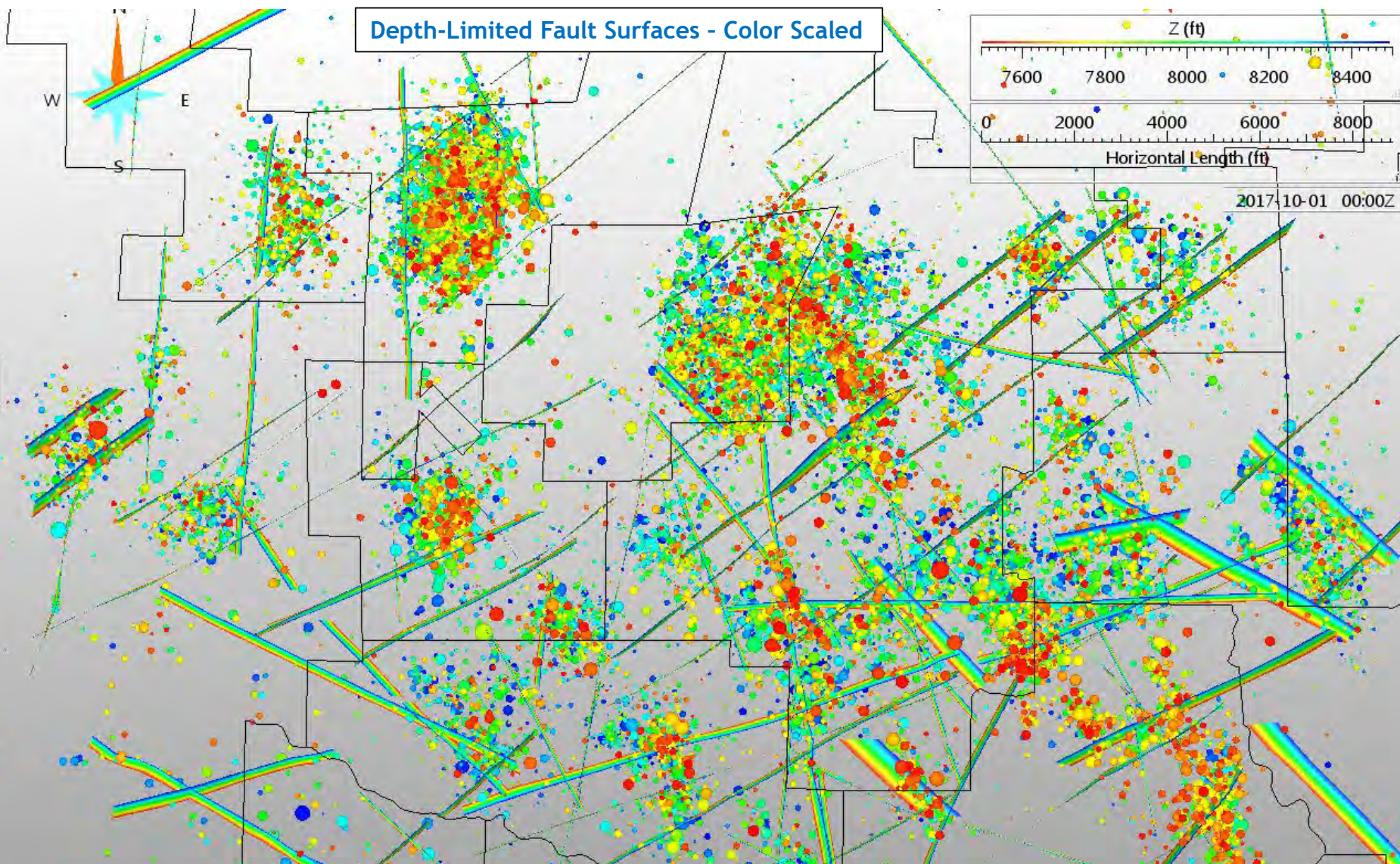
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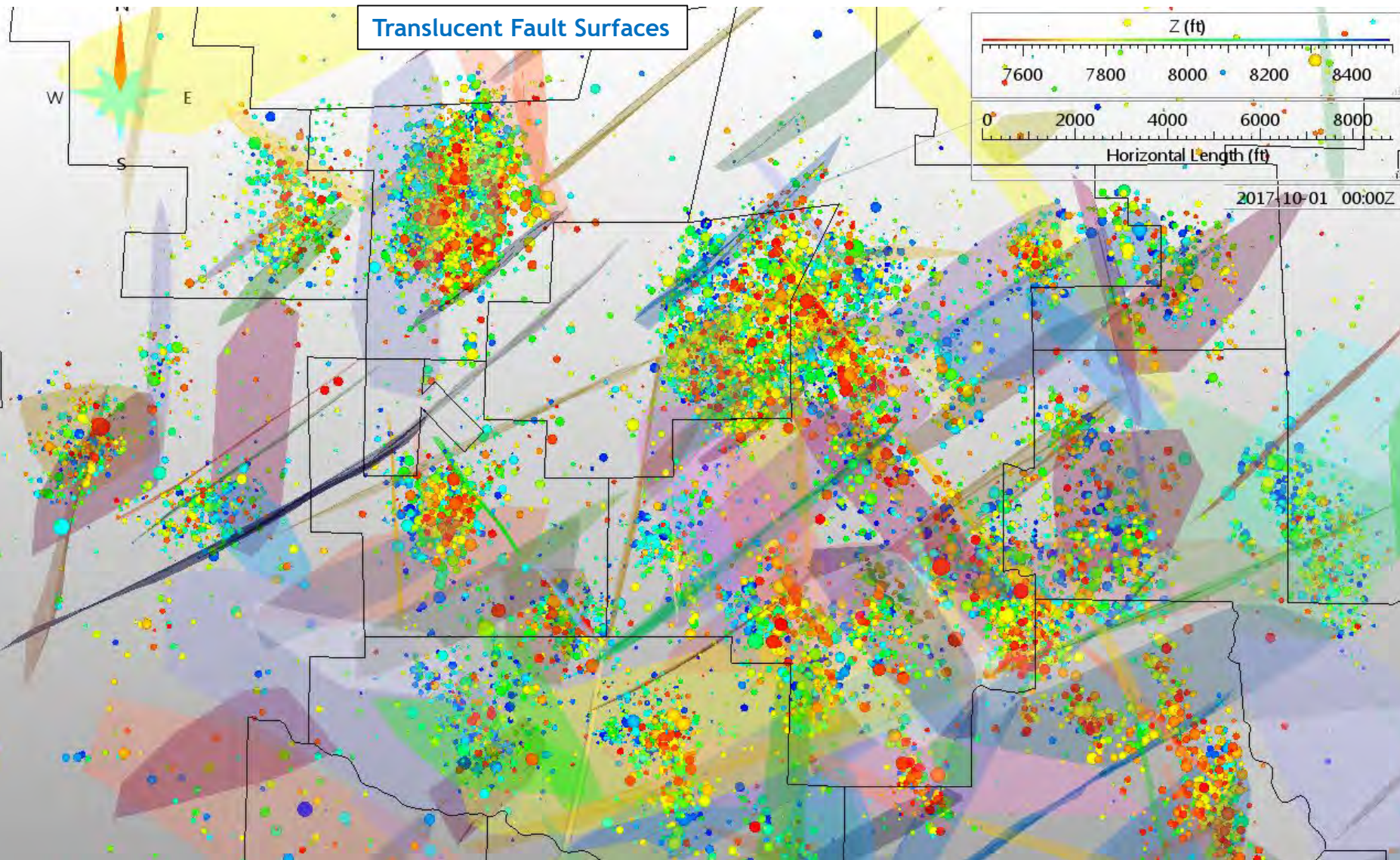
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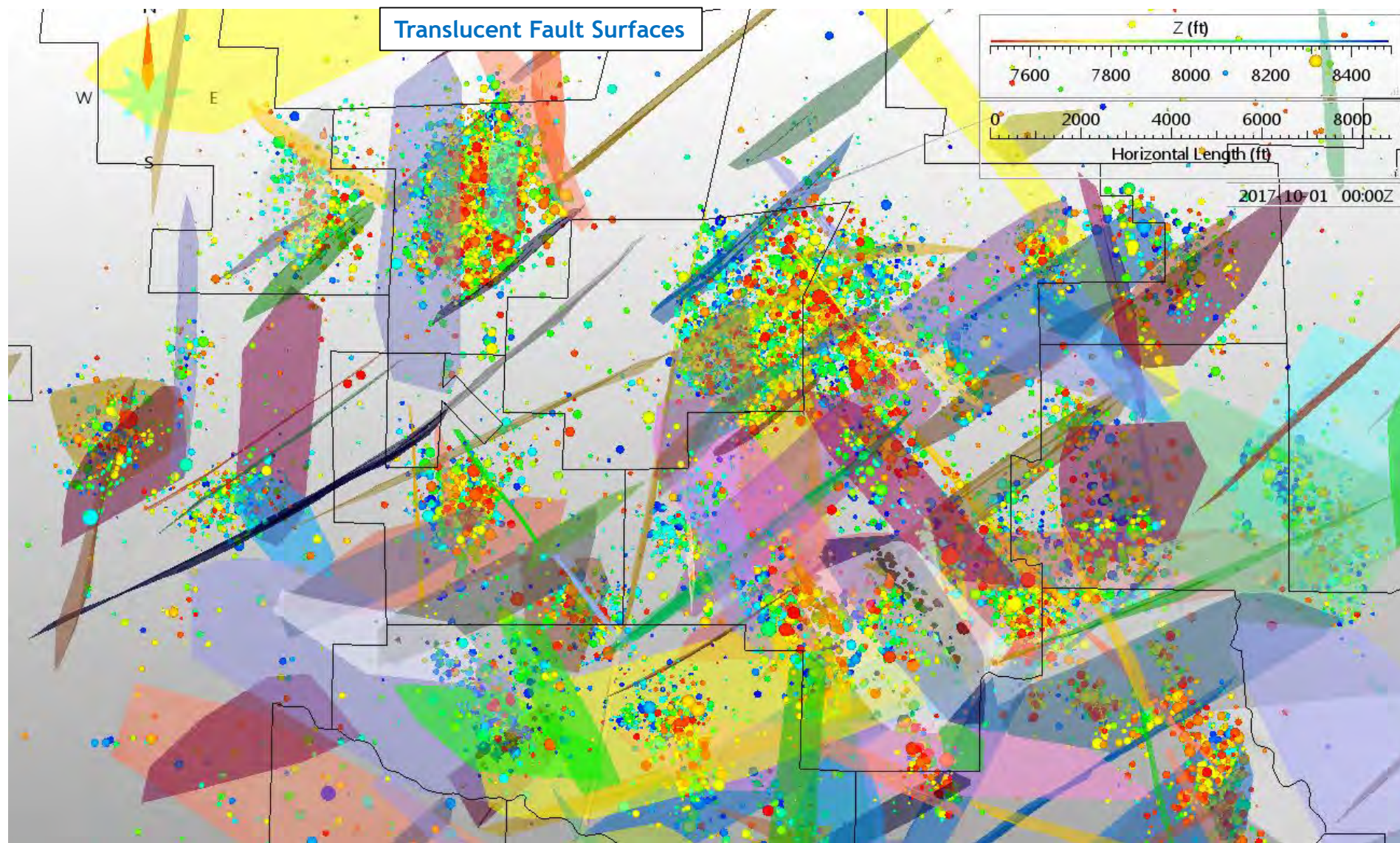
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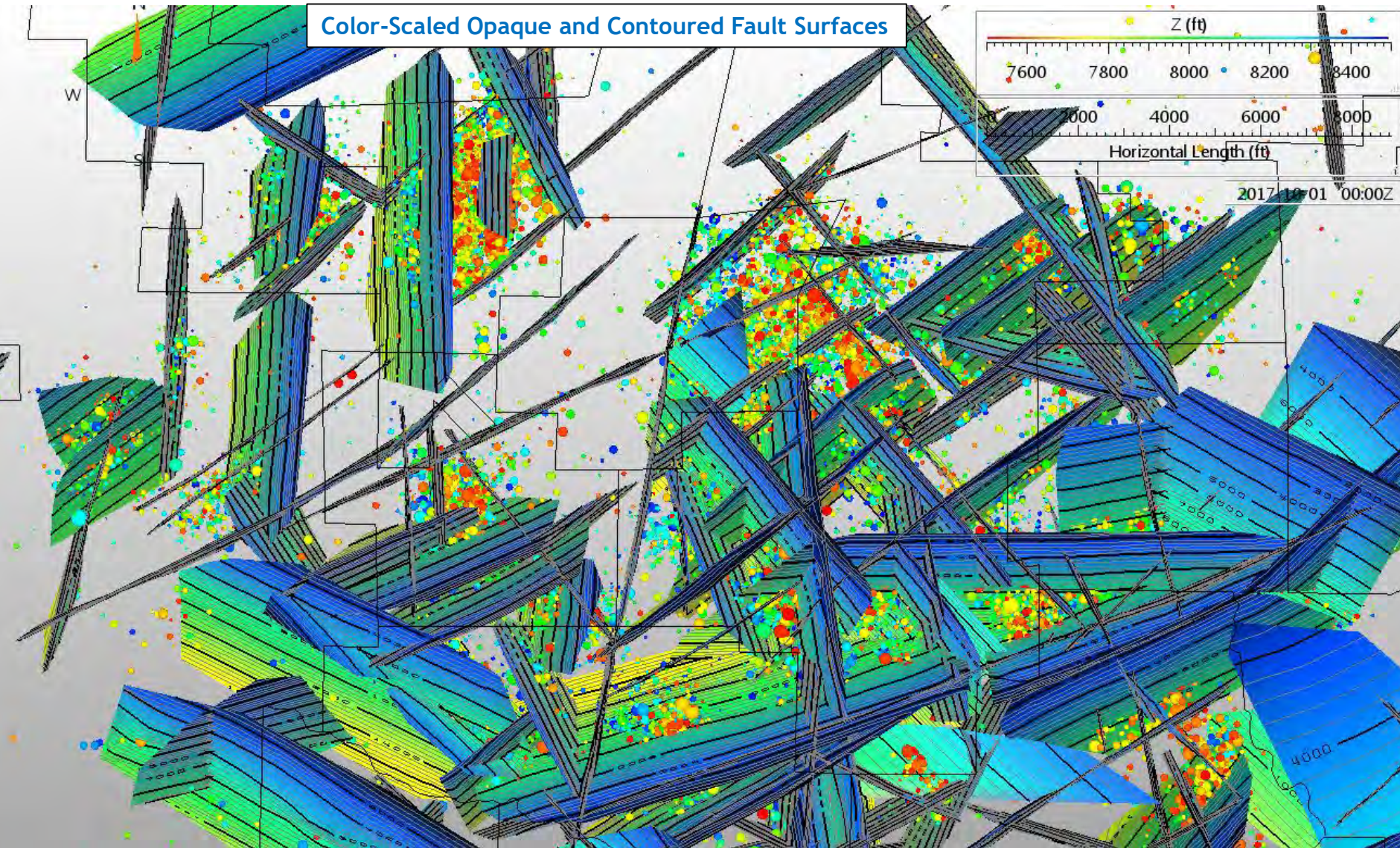


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Color-Scaled Opaque and Contoured Fault Surfaces



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3D Structural Model

Fault/Fracture Interpretation With Seismicity Slices

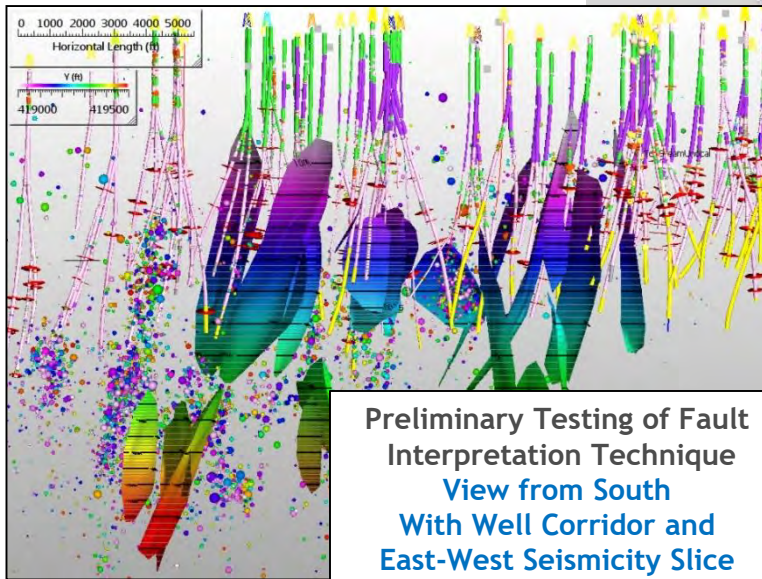
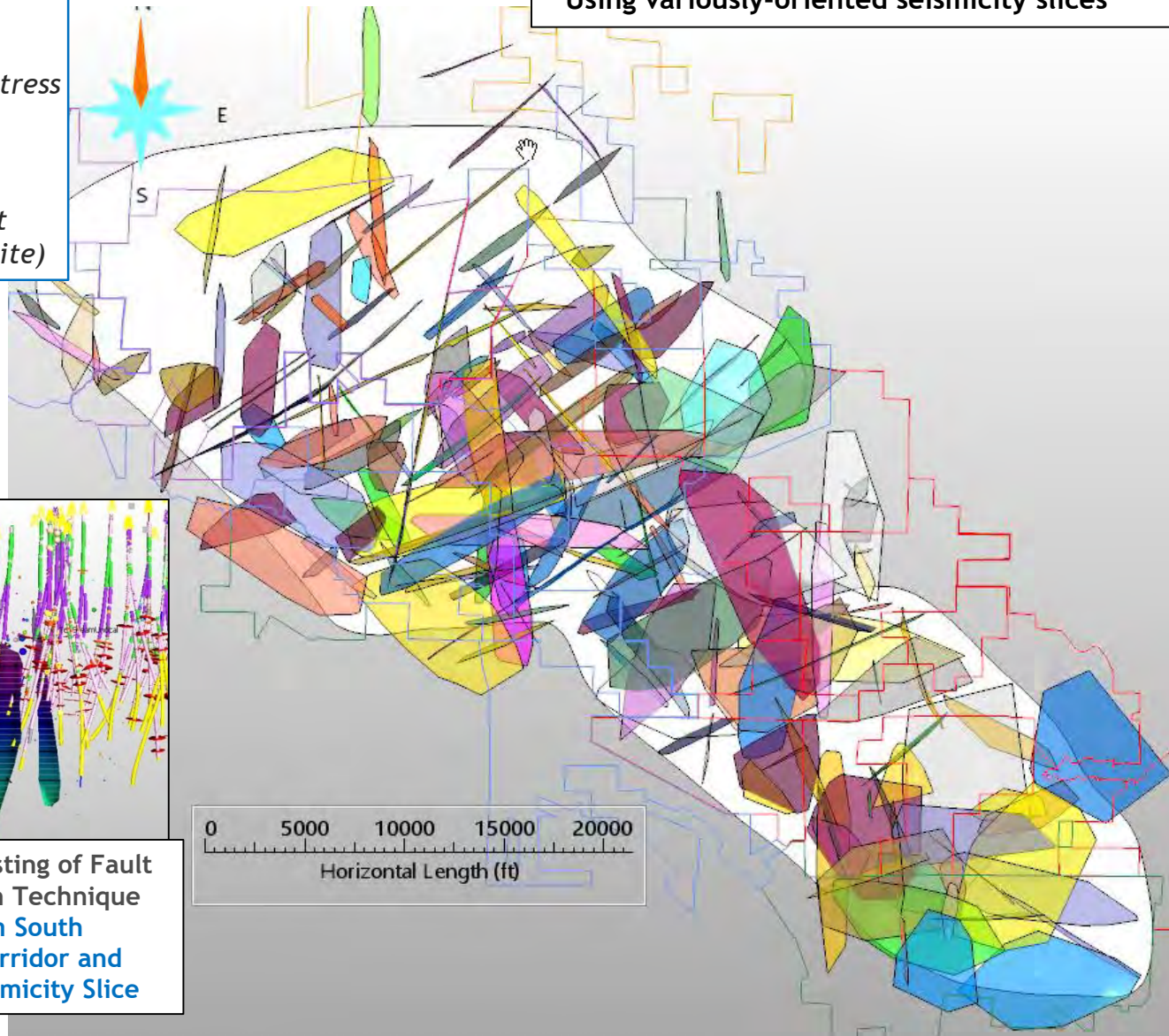
232 Refined Fault/Fracture Surfaces
From 26,709 individually interpreted points
Using variously-oriented seismicity slices

Northwest Geysers

Primarily near vertical faults
Orientation consistent with regional stress

Southeast Geysers

More non-vertical faults
Several faults radiate from shallowest
penetration of granitic intrusion (Felsite)



Preliminary Testing of Fault
Interpretation Technique
View from South
With Well Corridor and
East-West Seismicity Slice

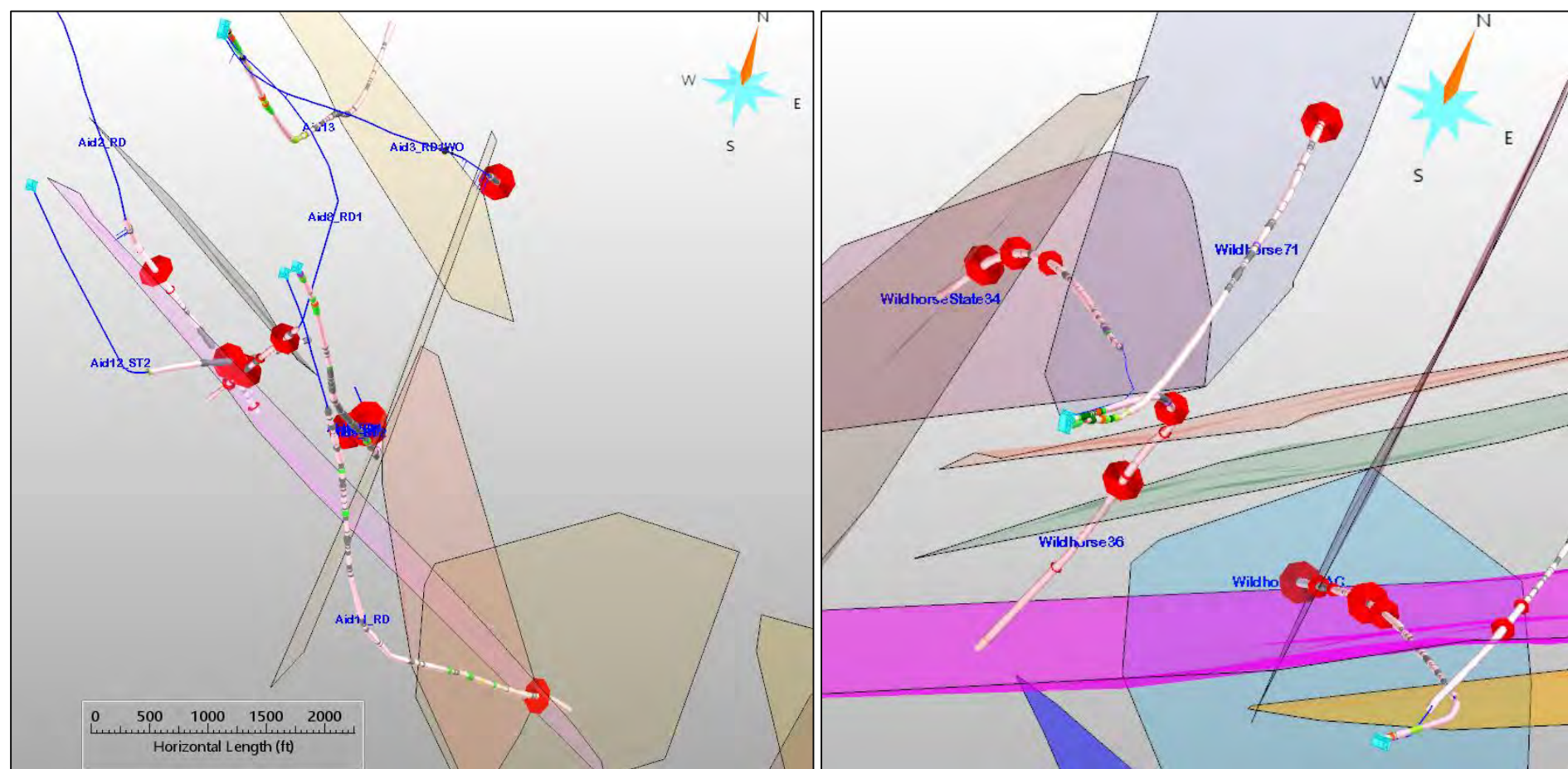
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3D Fault Interpretation

Steam Entries vs. Interpreted Fracture Surfaces (Unbiased)

Aidlin Area (left) and Wildhorse Area (right)

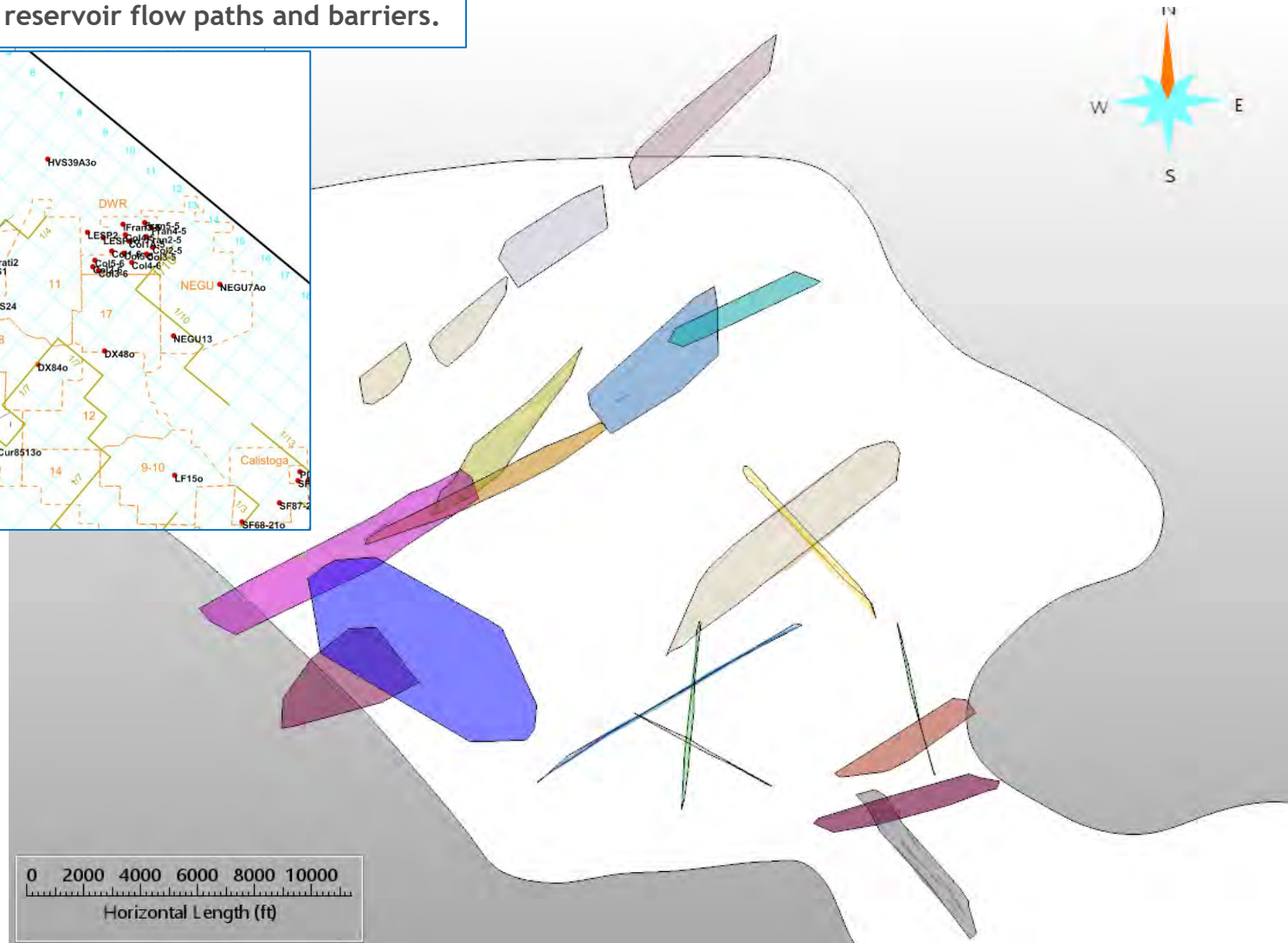
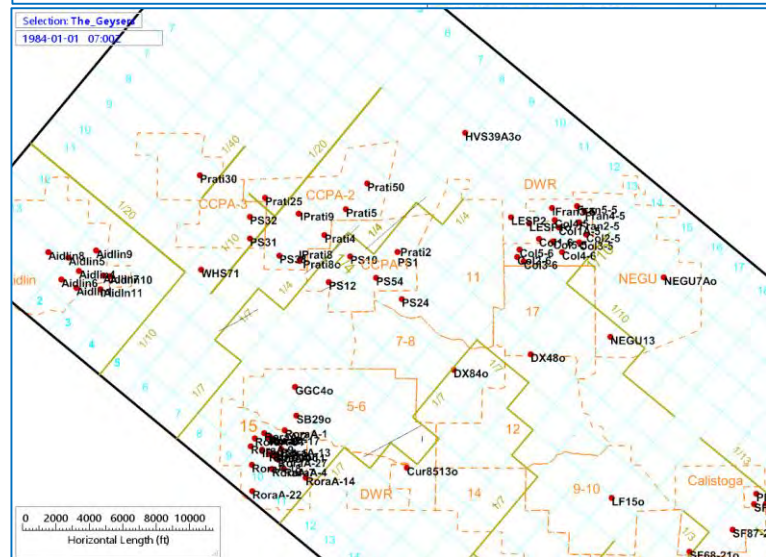
The majority of significant steam entries for the injection wells shown occur at *approximately* the intersection with the interpreted fracture surfaces.



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3D Structural Model Building

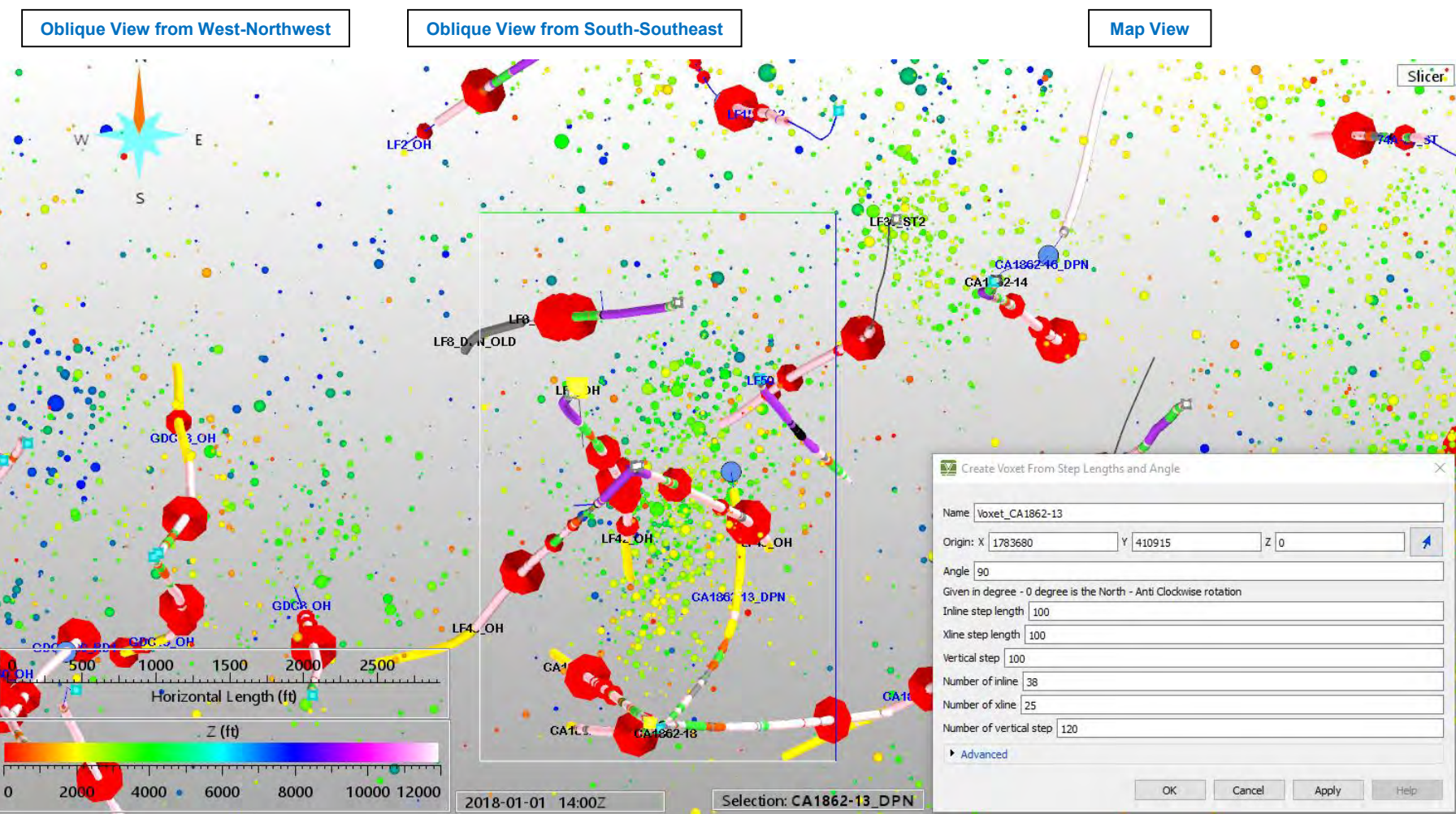
Combinations of *anastomosing fault surfaces* or *fault zones* are consistent with the positions of previously identified steam reservoir compartments. These *fault zones* will be used to represent steam reservoir flow paths and barriers.



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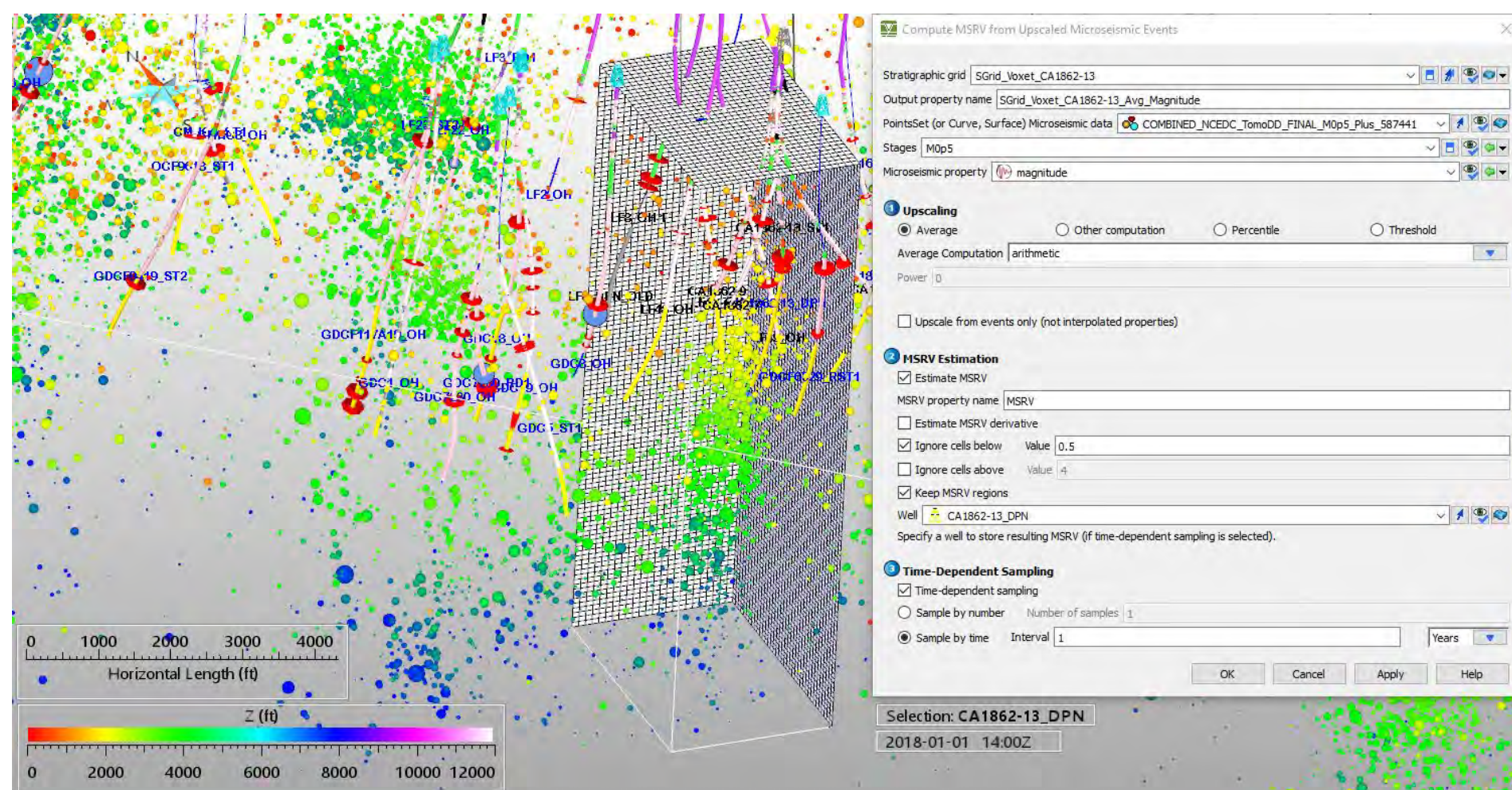
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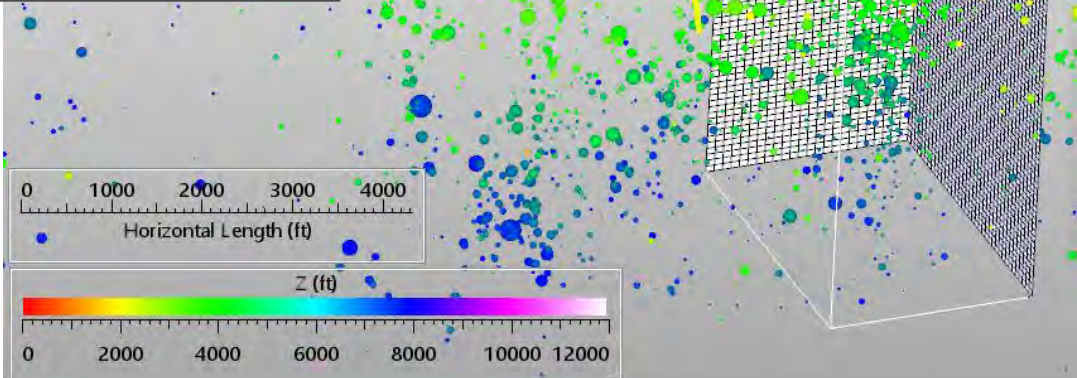
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CA1862-13
Microseismic Stimulated Rock Volume

Start of CA1862-13
Water Injection
November 2012

Date	Cumulative Stimulated Rock Volume (millions of cubic feet)
1/1/1984	10
1/1/1986	40
1/1/1988	80
1/1/1990	100
1/1/1992	130
1/1/1994	200
1/1/1996	280
1/1/1998	350
1/1/2000	380
1/1/2002	400
1/1/2004	420
1/1/2006	450
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1/1/2010	520
1/1/2012	550
1/1/2014	700
1/1/2016	1150
1/1/2018	1480

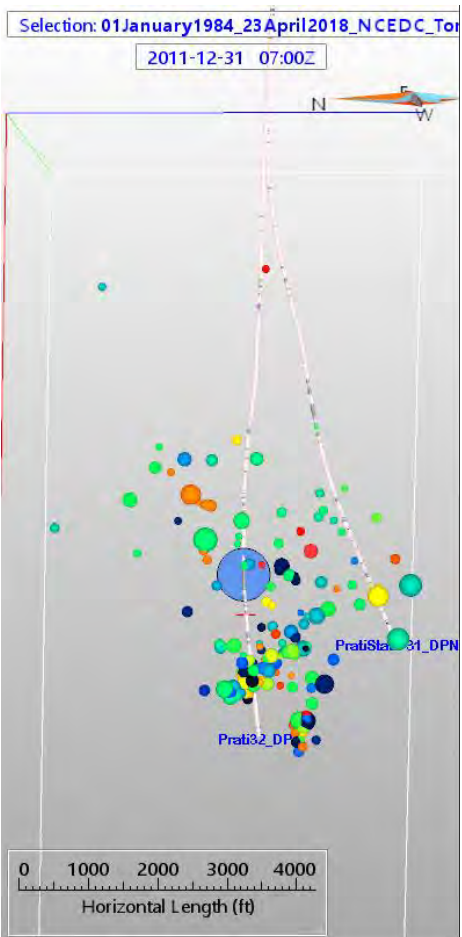


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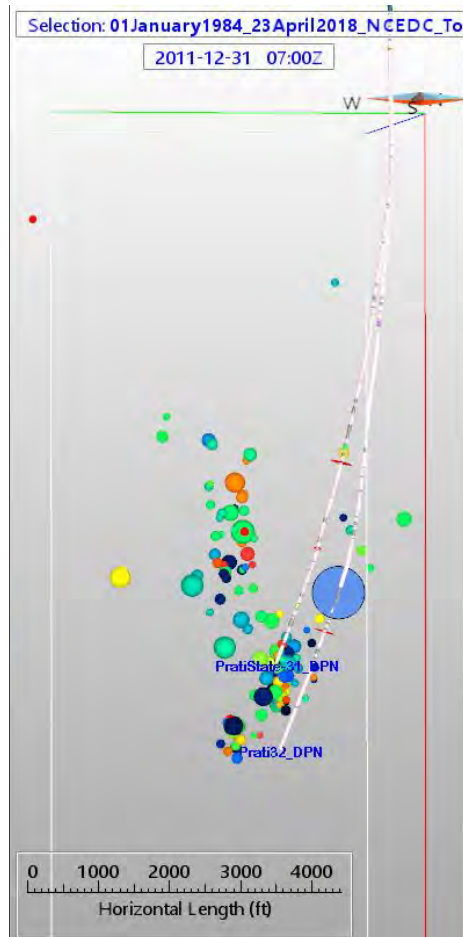
Injection Well Prati 32 Deepen

Seismicity Animation Weekly From 01 October 2011 to 31 December 2011

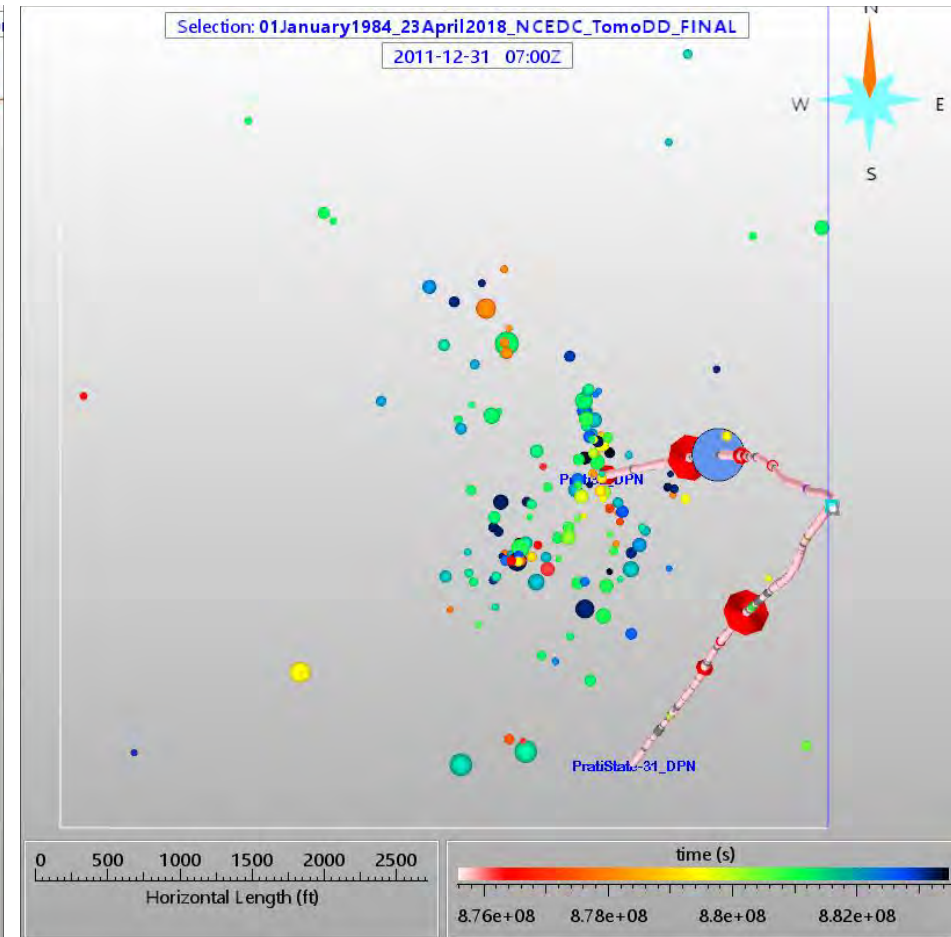
Oblique View from West-Northwest



Oblique View from South-Southeast



Map View



Time Range One 875,577,600 To 883,526,400 Seconds; Water Volumes Are Verified Monthly Volumes At Months End

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Injection Well Prati 32

Microseismic Stimulated Rock Volume

Create Voxet From Step Lengths and Angle

Name

Voxet_Prati32

Origin: X

1762095

Y

431879

Z

0

Angle

90

Given in degree - 0 degree is the North - Anti Clockwise rotation

Inline step length

100

Xline step length

100

Vertical step

100

Number of inline

61

Number of xline

54

Number of vertical step

150

Advanced

Domain:

Time

Compute MSRV from Upscaled Microseismic Events

Stratigraphic grid

SGrid_Voxet_Prati32

Output property name

SGrid_Voxet_Prati32_Avg_Magnitude

PointsSet (or Curve, Surface) Microseismic data

01January1984_23April2018_NCEDC_TomoDD_FINAL_Magnitude_GT_0p5

Stages

Mag_GT_0p5

Microseismic property

magnitude

Upscaling

☒ Average

☐ Other computation

☐ Percentile

☐ Threshold

Average Computation

arithmetic

Power

0

☐ Upscale from events only (not interpolated properties)

MSRV Estimation

☒ Estimate MSRV

MSRV property name

Prati32_MSRV

☐ Estimate MSRV derivative

☒ Ignore cells below

Value

0.5

☐ Ignore cells above

Value

4

☒ Keep MSRV regions

Well

Prati32_DPN

Specify a well to store resulting MSRV (if time-dependent sampling is selected)

Time-Dependent Sampling

☒ Time-dependent sampling

☐ Sample by number

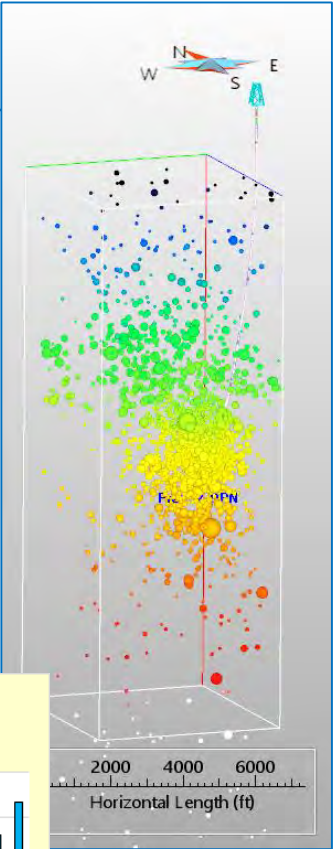
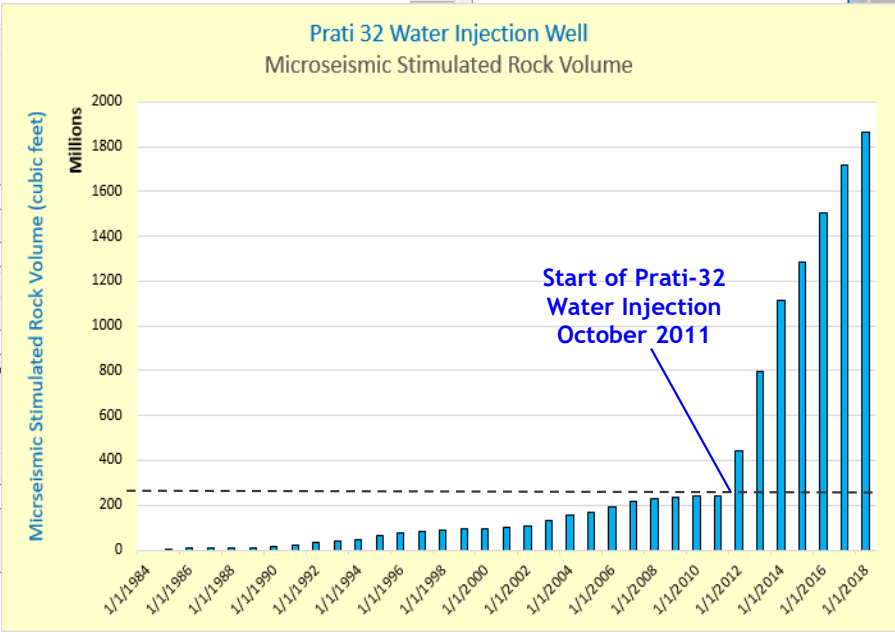
Number of samples

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☒ Sample by time

Interval

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Event Magnitude vs. Log (Frequency of Events M>= X)

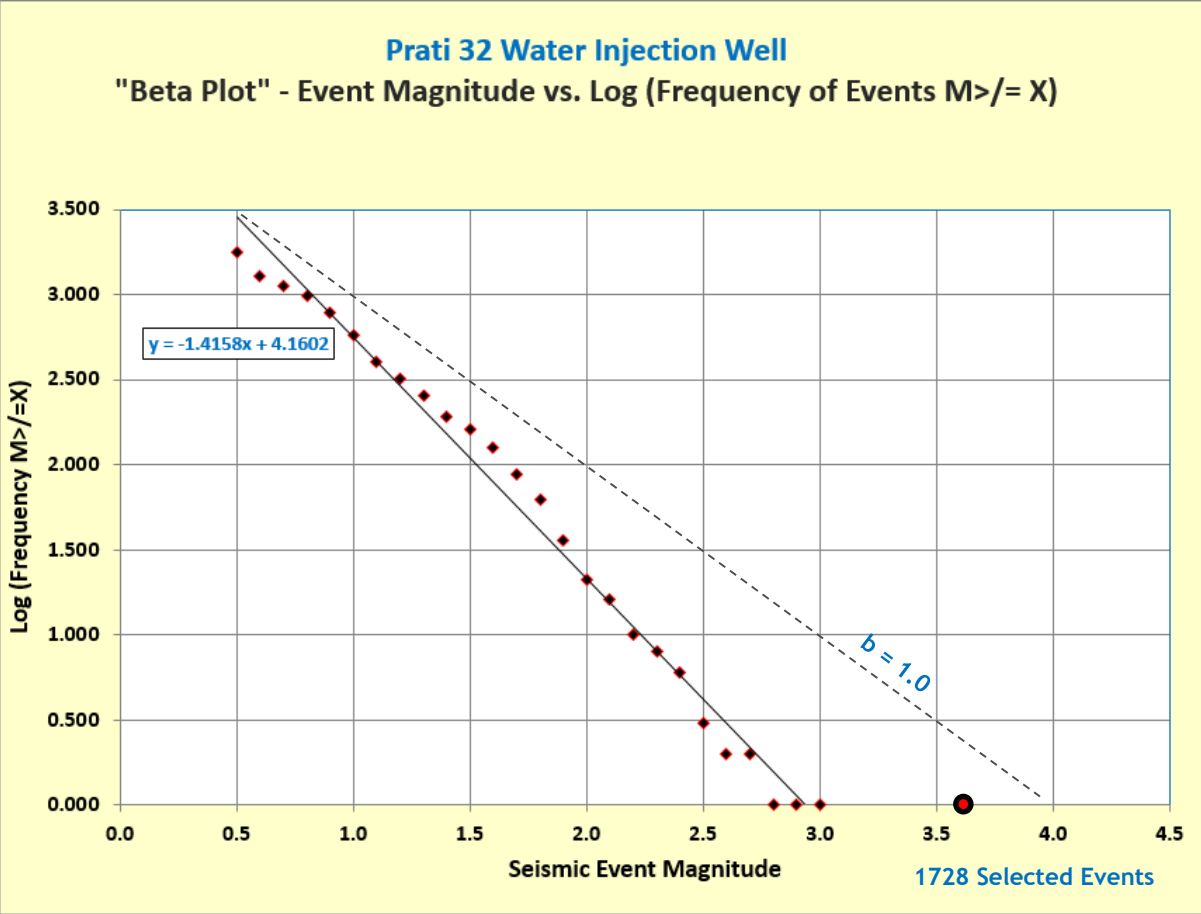
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$$\log_{10}N = a - bM$$

Where:

N is the number of events having a magnitude > M

a and b are constants; b is generally close to 1.0 for natural seismicity



Maximum Event Magnitude:
3.67
Injection

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Injection Well CA1862-13

Event Magnitude vs. Log (Frequency of Events $M \geq X$)

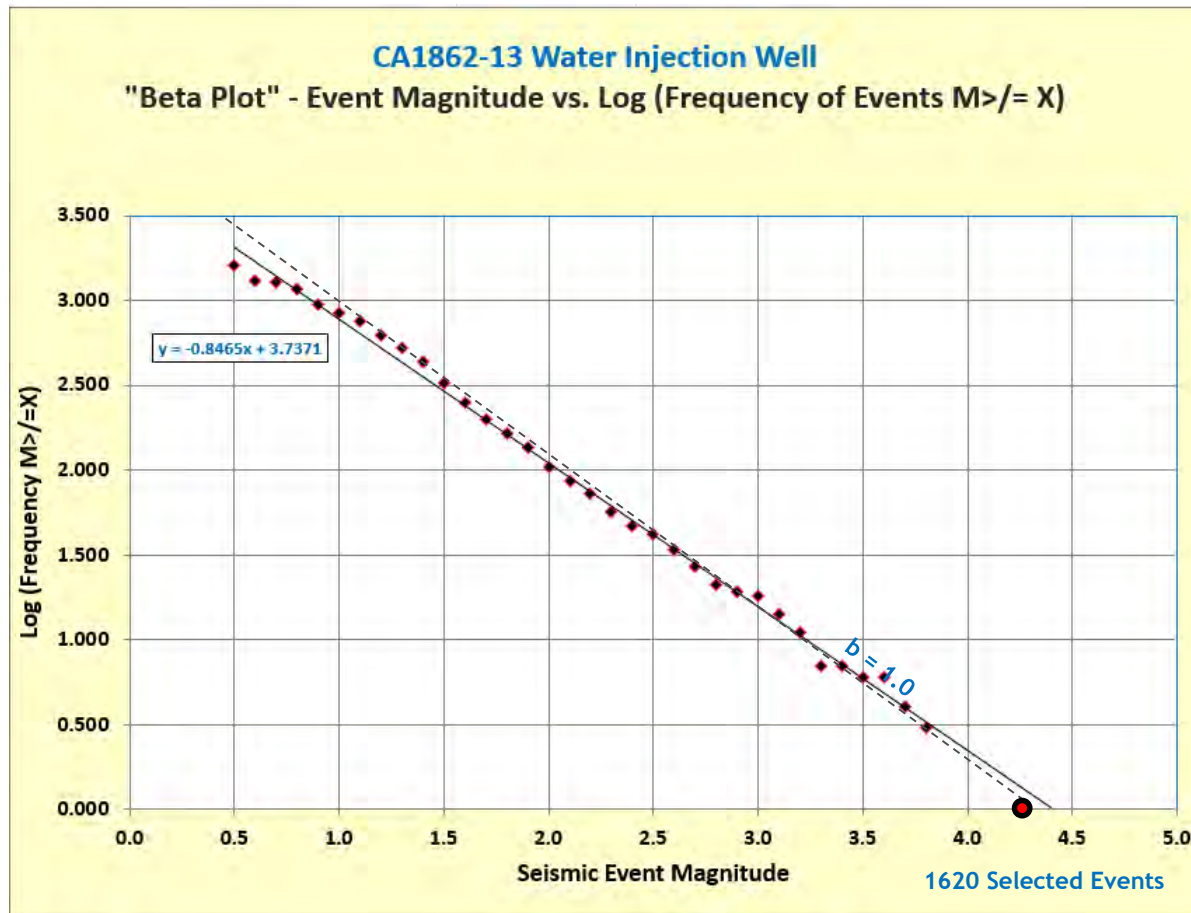
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Maximum Event Magnitude:
4.33
Pre-Injection

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Additional Seismic Monitoring and Research

California Energy Commission Electric Program Investment Charge (EPIC) Program EPC-16-021

Accepted Proposal

High-Resolution Micro-Earthquake Imaging of Flow Paths Using a Dense Seismic Network and Fast-Turnaround, Automated Processing *

Program Goal

Development of advanced, low-cost, microseismic imaging for high-resolution spatial and temporal images of subsurface fluid flow, flow barriers and heterogeneity in producing geothermal fields. The project will focus on microseismicity imaging challenges that are unique to geothermal reservoirs.

Improved 3D and time-lapse subsurface resolution is anticipated to assist with seismicity mitigation efforts at The Geysers.

Applicant

Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory

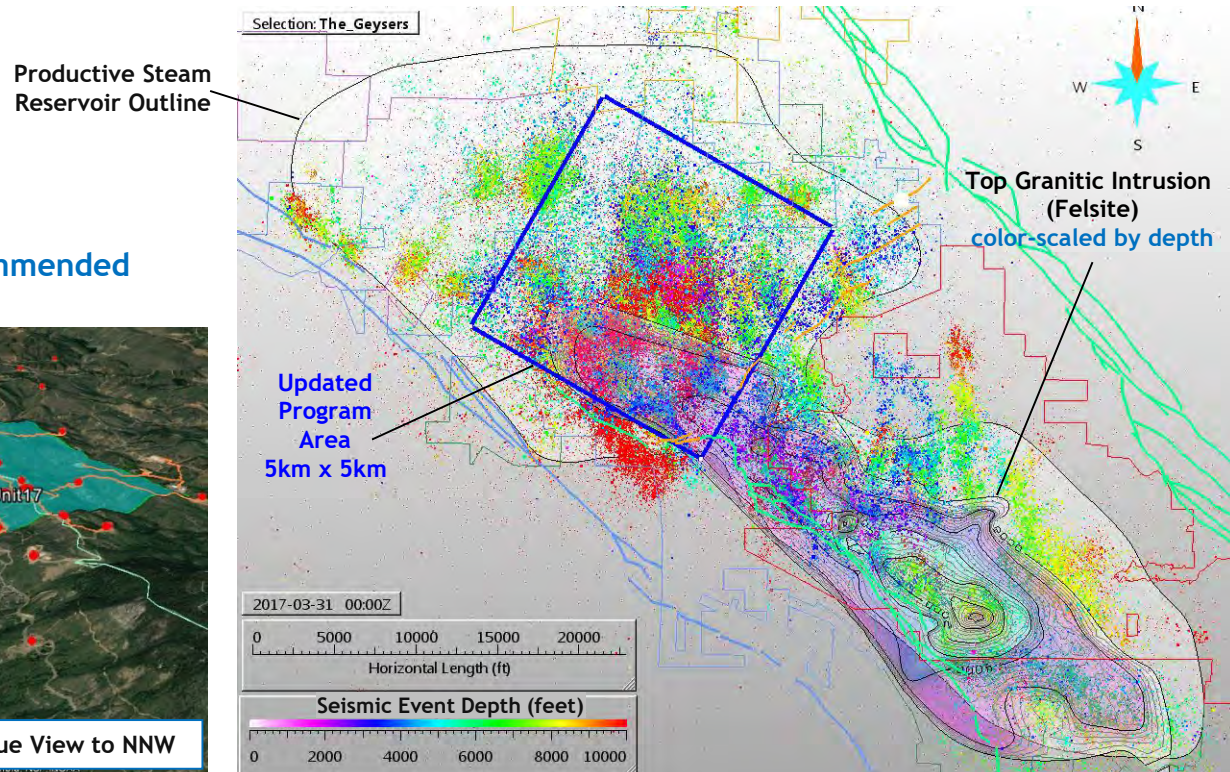
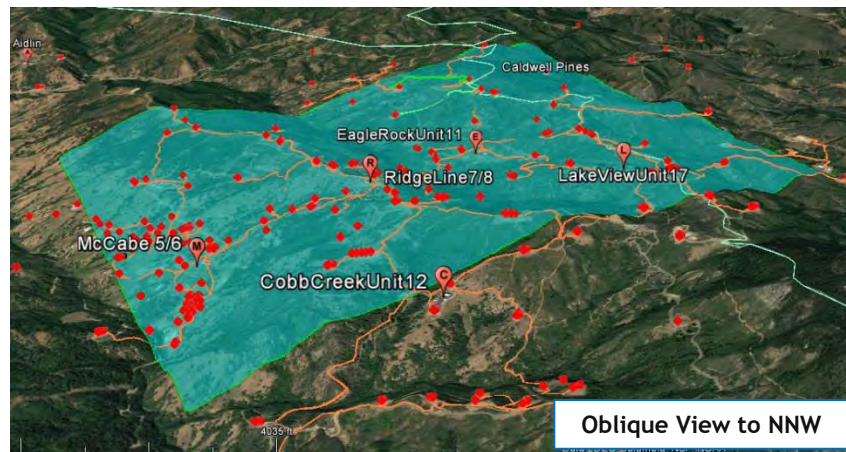
Project Partners

Calpine Corporation

Array Information Technology

California Energy Commission Funds Recommended

\$1,672,639

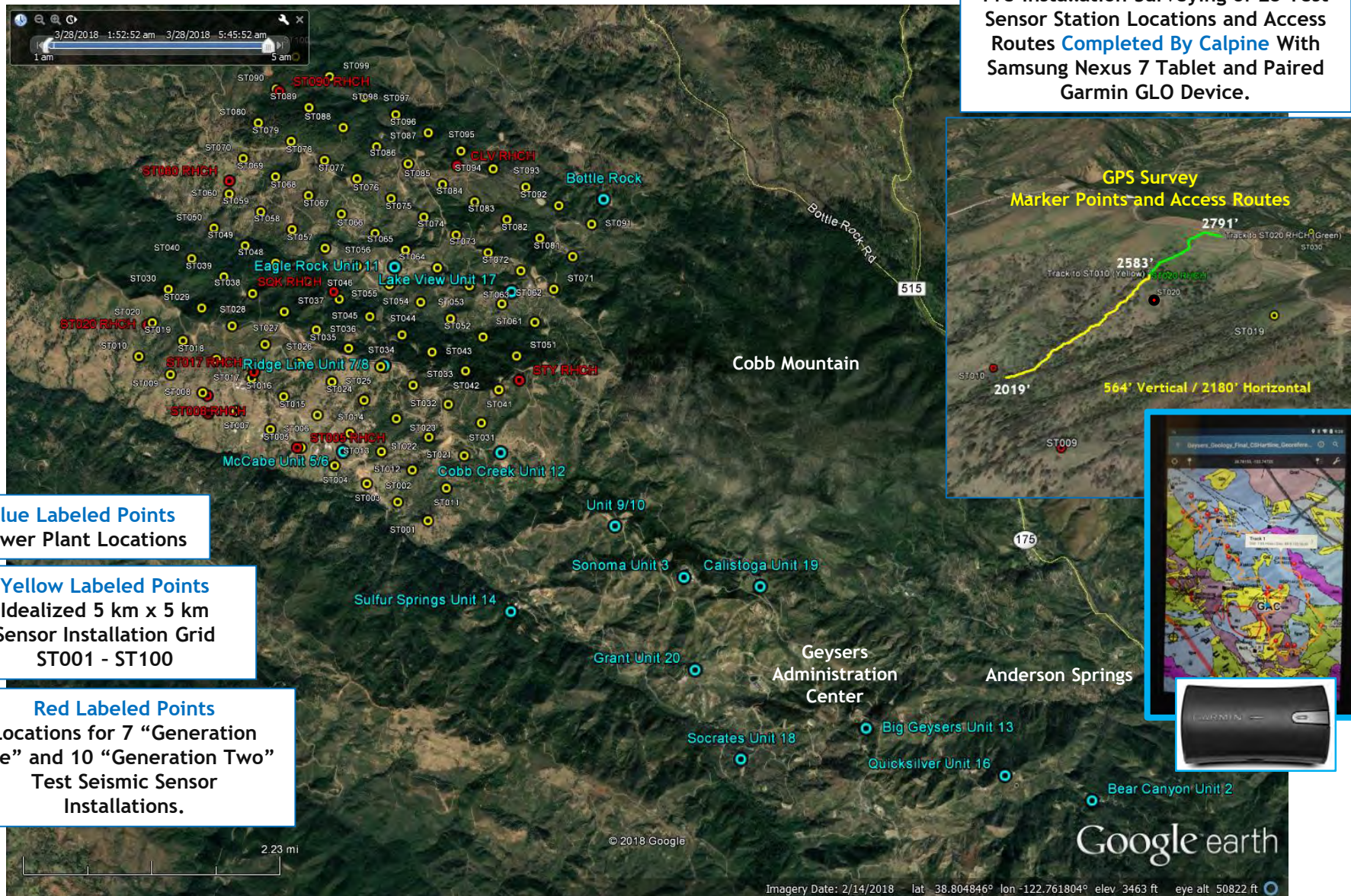


* Dr. Kurt Nihei of LBNL is the project leader for this \$1.67 million California Energy Commission funded program.

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An extensive seismic sensor test program was planned and conducted with the project scientists.

Calpine Corporation provided

- The field location for this program.
- Technical support with survey design planning.
- On-site assessments including GPS surveying with updated equipment and techniques.
- Assistance to LBNL Contractor Ramsey Haught during 17 seismic sensor test installations.

The field testing and data analysis resulted in the following conclusions

- Seismic sensor housings were modified due to issues with water penetration.
- Seismic sensor mountings within the housing were modified to eliminate a 40 Hz resonant frequency degrading the data quality.
- Data quality from co-located sensors then determined to be is consistent with the permanent LBNL stations.
- The solar panel design was improved, power consumption minimized, and two ports for SDHC* data cards included.
- The instruments should be cemented directly to rock outcrops for best sensor coupling (and with no excavation permit required).
- A suitable rock outcrop nearly always available within a reasonable distance of the idealized grid location.



Generation Three Sensor Station



Sensor Installation on Rock Outcrop

* Secure Digital High Capacity

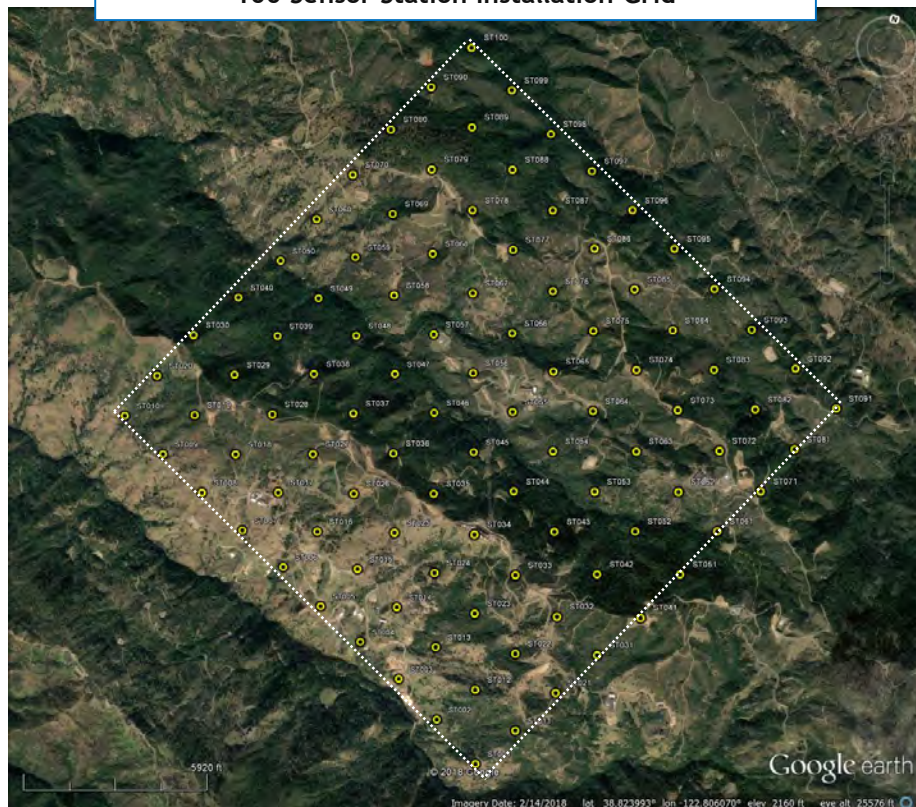
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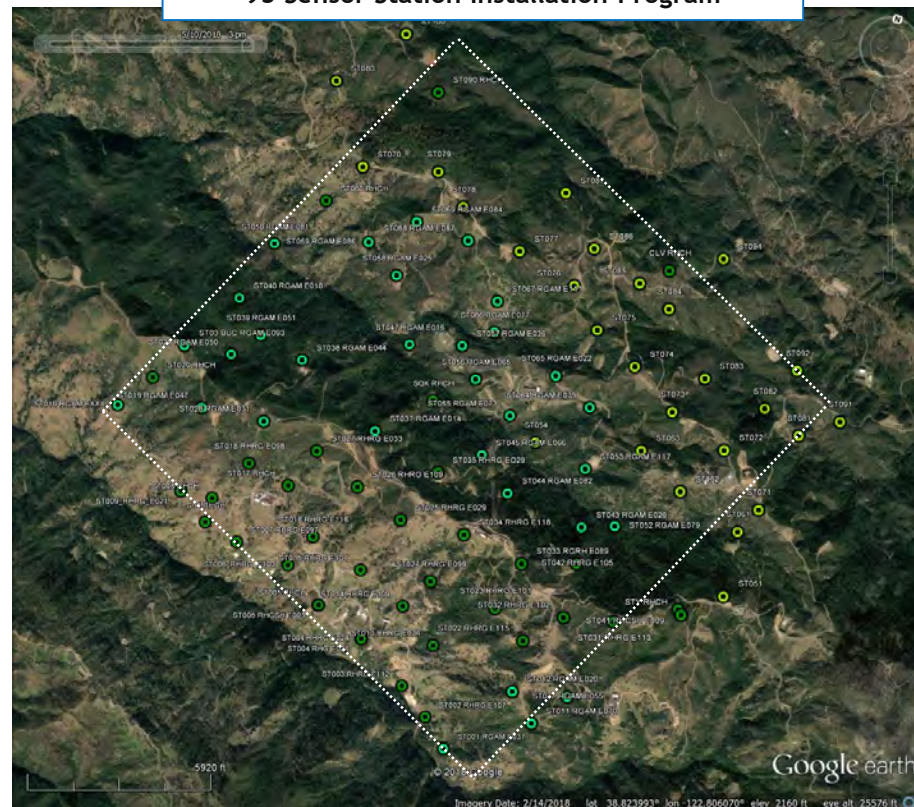
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A total of 93 three component seismic sensor stations have been installed as of 10 May 2018, with much effort by project scientists Ramsey Haught (LBNL), Dr. Roland Gritto (AIT), Alex Morales (LBNL), Ed Nichols (LBNL) and John Peterson (LBNL). The actual station locations are as close as possible to the idealized sensor grid locations, with limitation imposed by the extreme topography, dense vegetation, and the need for firm surface conditions with good sun exposure.

Yellow Labeled Points
Idealized Installation Locations for
100 Sensor Station Installation Grid



Green Labeled Points
Actual Installation Locations for
93 Sensor Station Installation Program



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Seismic Research Collaboration with Seismic Warning Systems

Early Detection and Warning System for Natural Earthquakes



Primary Goal

Automated control (and shutdown) of natural gas, electricity and water supply for refineries, chemical plants, public schools, medical facilities, ...

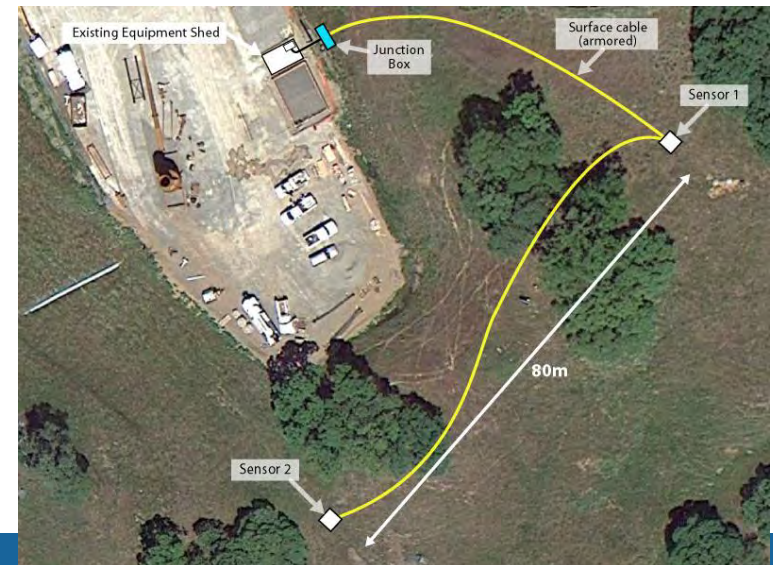


Two test sensors at The Geysers Prati 32 well pad.
Installation date 15 September 2014.
Tied in to Calpine power and communications.

Geysers Project Goals

Refinement of event detection software to:

- Avoid false positives (caused by human activity)
- Distinguish between:
 - **smaller seismic events** typical of The Geysers these should be ignored
 - **large seismic events** (earthquakes) triggering automated warnings and shutdowns



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Research Collaborations

Calpine has greatly appreciated the experience and friendly guidance of [Joe Austin; Division of Oil, Gas and Geothermal Resources](#) concerning geological issues and seismicity analysis at The Geysers.

[Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory](#)

- 36 station three-component permanent seismic monitoring network

- Collaboration on successful DOE co-funded EGS Demonstration Project, including two temporary seismic monitoring networks

- Collaboration on high-temperature tolerant borehole fiber optical seismic sensor testing

- Borehole seismic sensor installation and testing in the southeast Geysers

- Initiating collaboration for high-resolution imaging of fluid flow paths using a dense seismic network and automated processing

[United States Geological Survey](#)

- Geysers' seismicity processing and real-time availability, detailed analysis of magnitude ≥ 3.5 events

- Collaboration on full-waveform six-component (3 translational/3 rotational) seismic sensor testing

- Collaboration on Silicon Audio high-sensitivity optical accelerometer testing

[Massachusetts Institute of Technology](#)

- Collaboration on installation and operation of three continuous monitoring GPS instruments

[Array Information Technology](#)

- Research Collaborations with European GEISER Project

- Installation and recovery of 32 continuous broadband seismic recording instruments from GFZ Potsdam / GEISER Instrument Pool

[GFZ Potsdam](#)

- Collaboration on studies of spatiotemporal induced seismicity changes associated with variable water injection in the northwest Geysers

[United States Seismic Systems](#)

- High-temperature tolerant borehole fiber optical seismic sensor array test program

[Seismic Warning Systems](#)

- Northwest Geysers test site for calibration of earthquake early warning systems

[Zizmos](#)

- Geothermal Visitor Center test site for cloud-connected seismic network earthquake early warning systems

