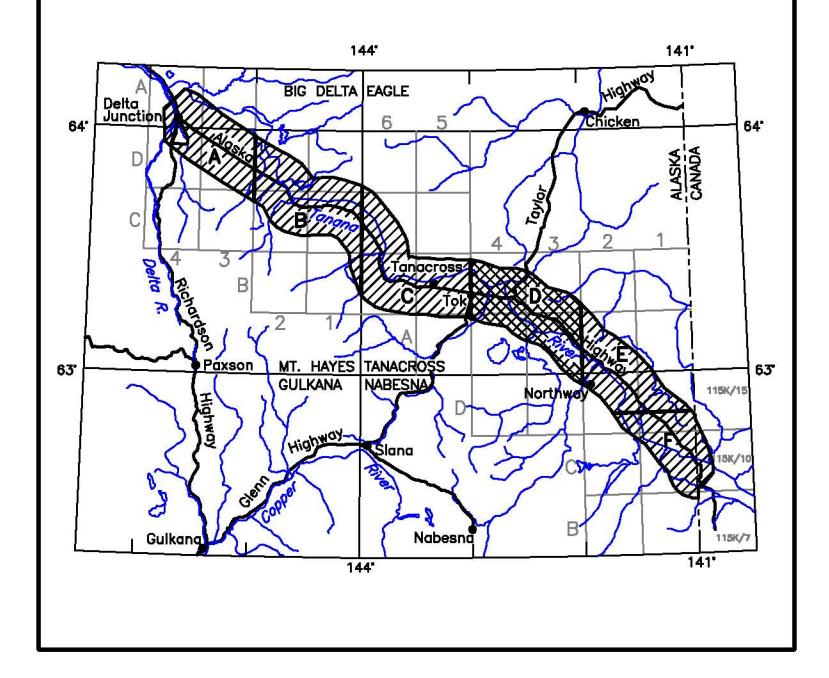


## 140,000 Hz COPLANAR APPARENT RESISTIVITY OF THE ALASKA HIGHWAY CORRIDOR, EAST-CENTRAL ALASKA

PARTS OF NABESNA AND TANACROSS QUADRANGLES

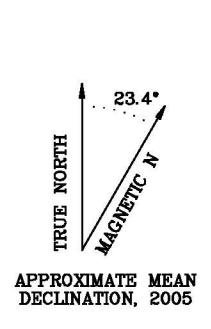
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DESCRIPTIVE NOTES

The geophysical data were acquired with a RESOLVE Electromagnetic (EM) system and a Scintrex cesium magnetometer. The EM and magnetic sensors were flown in a vertical co-planar configuration. During the survey recorded data from a radar altimeter, GPS receiver, Global Positioning System (GPS) video camera, and AS350B-3 Squirrel helicopters or fixed-wing aircraft. The survey was conducted along NW-SE (350°) survey flight lines with a spacing of approximately 100 m. The flight lines were flown perpendicular to the flight lines of previous surveys.



**RESISTIVITY**  
The RESOLVE EM system measured inphase and quadrature components at six frequencies. One vertical co-planar coil-pair and one horizontal co-planar coil-pair operated at 400, 1800, 8200, 40,000, 160,000, and 640,000 Hz with 0.1 second intervals. The EM system responds to bedrock conductors and to near-surface man-made sources. Apparent resistivity is generated from the inphase and quadrature component of the coplanar EM system using a modified Akima (1970) model. The data were interpolated onto a regular 80 m grid using a modified Akima (1970) technique.

Akima, H., 1970, A new method of curve fitting based on local procedures, Journal of the Association of Computing Machinery, v. 17, no. 4, p. 402-408.

**RESISTIVITY ALTITUDE LIMITS**

In areas where the EM bird height exceeded 100 m, and the inphase and quadrature signals were below 3 ppm, the inphase and quadrature signals were set to zero. This avoids meaningless resistivity calculations due to small signals in areas where the helicopter flew higher to avoid cultural objects or for safety reasons.

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