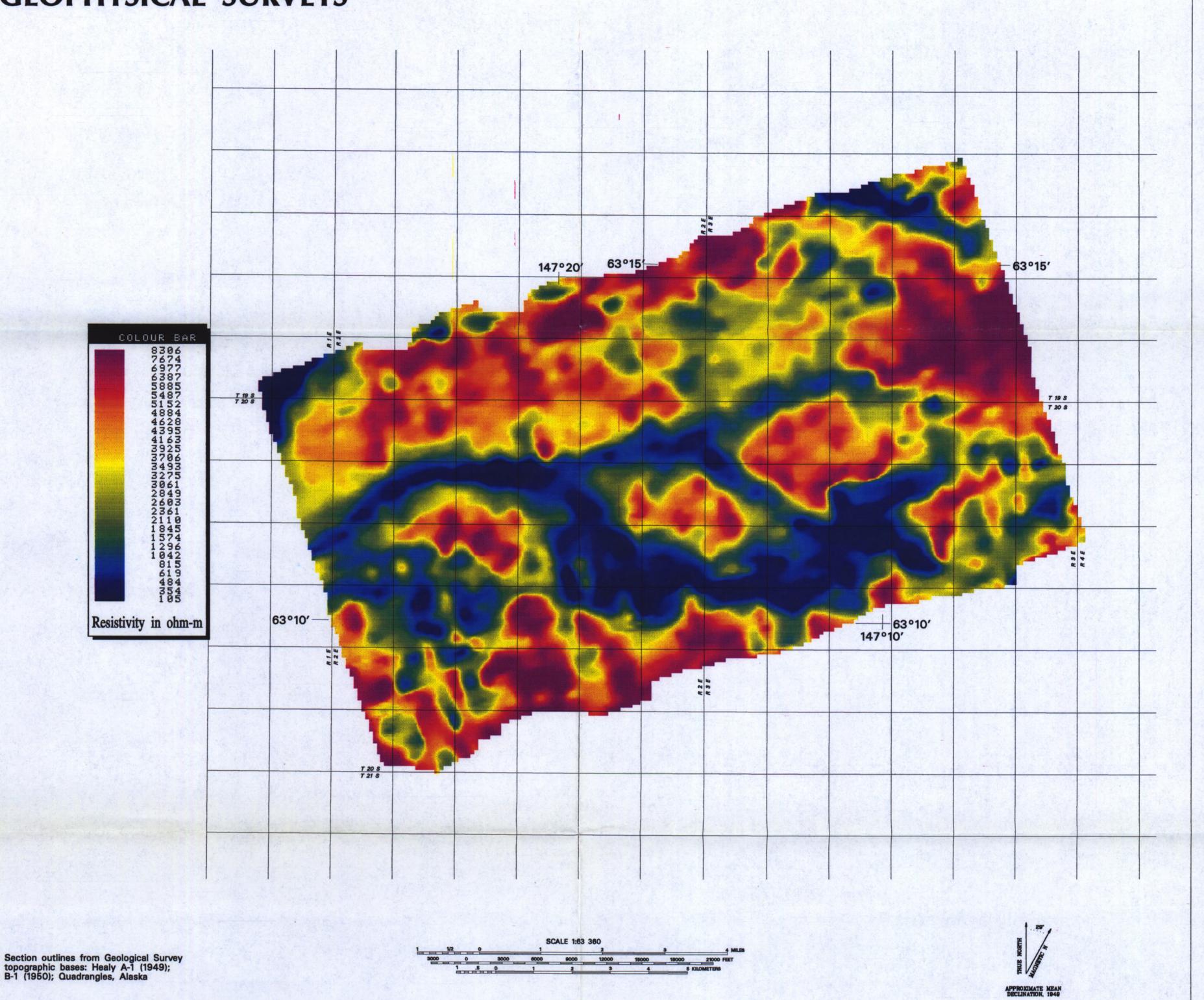
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7200 Hz COPLANAR RESISTIVITY OF THE VALDEZ CREEK MINING DISTRICT

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DESCRIPTIVE NOTES

Geophysical data were acquired with a DIGHEM Electromagnetic (EM) system, a Scintrex cesium CS2 magnetometer, and a Herz VLF system installed in an AS350B-1 Squirrel helicopter. In addition, the survey recorded data from a radar altimeter, GPS navigation system, 50/60 Hz monitors, and video camera. Flights were performed at a mean terrain clearance of 200 feet along survey flight lines with a spacing of a quarter of a mile. Tie lines were flown perpendicular to the flight lines at intervals of approximately three miles.

A Sercel Real-Time Differential Global Positioning System (RT-DGPS) was used for both navigation and flight path recovery. The helicopter position was derived every 0.5 seconds using both real-time and post-processing differential positioning to a relative accuracy of less than 10 m. Flight path positions were projected onto the Clarke 1866 (UTM) spheroid, 1927 North American datum using a Central Meridian (CM) of 147 degrees, a north constant of 0 and an east constant of 500,000. Positional accuracy of the presented data is better than 10 m with respect to the UTM grid.

ELECTROMAGNETICS

The DIGHEMV EM system measured inphase and quadrature components at five frequencies. Two vertical coaxial coil-pairs operated at 900 and 5000 Hz while three horizontal coplanar coil-pairs operated at 900, 7200, and 56,000 Hz. EM data were sampled at 0.1 second intervals. The EM system responds to bedrock conductors, conductive overburden, and cultural sources. Resistivity is generated from the inphase and quadrature component of the coplanar 7200 Hz using the pseudo-layer half space model.

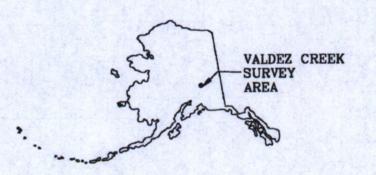


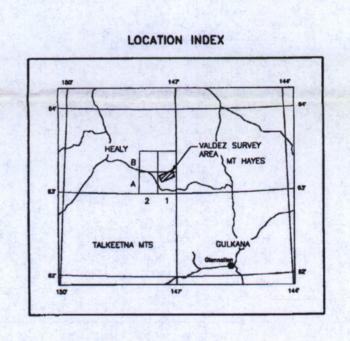
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