

# **ADVANCED CHARACTERIZATION OF FRACTURED RESERVOIRS IN CARBONATE ROCKS: THE MICHIGAN BASIN**



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# **Project Objectives**

- **Compilation of geologic & engineering data for Michigan Basin**
- **Characterization of Fractures in Michigan Basin & Michigan Reservoirs**
- **Quantifying Fracture Patterns at a Variety of Scales**
- **Developing a Basin Model for Fracture Development**

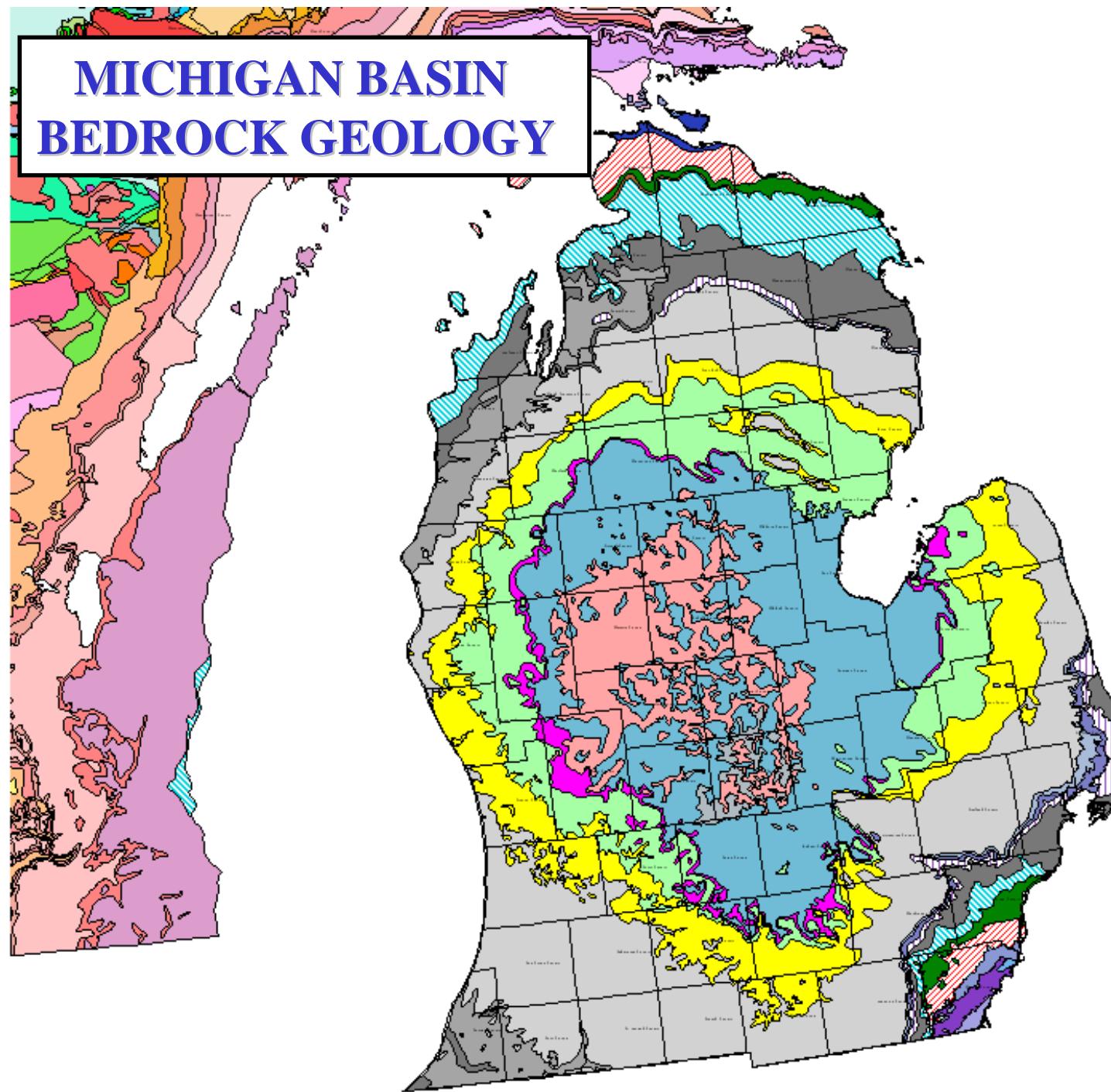
# MICHIGAN BASIN DEM



# Project Description

- A university–industry consortium will develop a model for fractured carbonate reservoirs using the Michigan Basin as a prototype. The project will combine traditional historical data with 2D and 3D (?) seismic data as well as data from modern logging tools in a novel way to produce a new methodology for characterizing fractured reservoirs in carbonate rocks. GIS-based software will be used to display and manipulate the data and to image it on a variety of scales, ranging from basin-scale to well-scale.

# MICHIGAN BASIN BEDROCK GEOLOGY



# **Project Deliverables**

- A library of formation tops picks (300,000+)
- digitized well locations (latitude & longitude; 50,000+)
- scanned images of well header records
- digitized and interpreted logs of key wells
- hydrocarbon logs,
- engineering data, and
- an electronic “Atlas” of project data

# **Status of Project Deliverables**

- formation tops picks: ~ 30% (95,000 out of 300,000+)
- digitized well locations: 90+ % (latitude & longitude; 50,000+)
- scanned images of Scout Tickets: 99%
- digitized/interpreted logs of key wells (pending)
- hydrocarbon logs (acquired, to be processed)
- engineering data, (pending)
- electronic “Atlas” of project data: complete

# Atlas 3.0

## A GIS Tool for Technology Transfer



**Atlas** maps Oil and Gas Wells by County, Oil Field, Formation at Total Depth, and Formation Top Picks. The user can:

- Edit individual wells in the database
- Display & select formation top picks
- Display raster images like Scout Tickets
- Export formation top picks
- Plot towns, roads, streams, lakes, etc.

CRYSTAL FIELD			
Parm	00220		
OilField	CRYSTAL		
Operator	J. W. LEONARD, JR		
WellName	00220		
API	790		
Total Depth	2107		
County/Catchment	MONTGOMERY		
NECTA/UMTRA	01		
States			
Postage Code	48650		
Comments	1400		
Formation Tops			
Parm	FormationCode	FormationName	Measured Depth
00220	00220L1	Lower Huron	1151
00220	00220L2	Calderon Limestone	1280
00220	00220R1	Turbo	2264
00220	00220R2	Bones	2281
00220	2107PBM	Upper Lake	2288
Click on button to Update the Current Formation Tops Entered			
<input type="button" value="Add Well"/> <input type="button" value="Open Well"/> <input type="button" value="Delete"/> <input type="button" value="Update"/> <input type="button" value="Done"/> <input type="button" value="Add Top"/> <input type="button" value="Delete Top"/> <input type="button" value="Scout Ticket"/> <input type="button" value="Scout Print"/>			

### Edit Screen

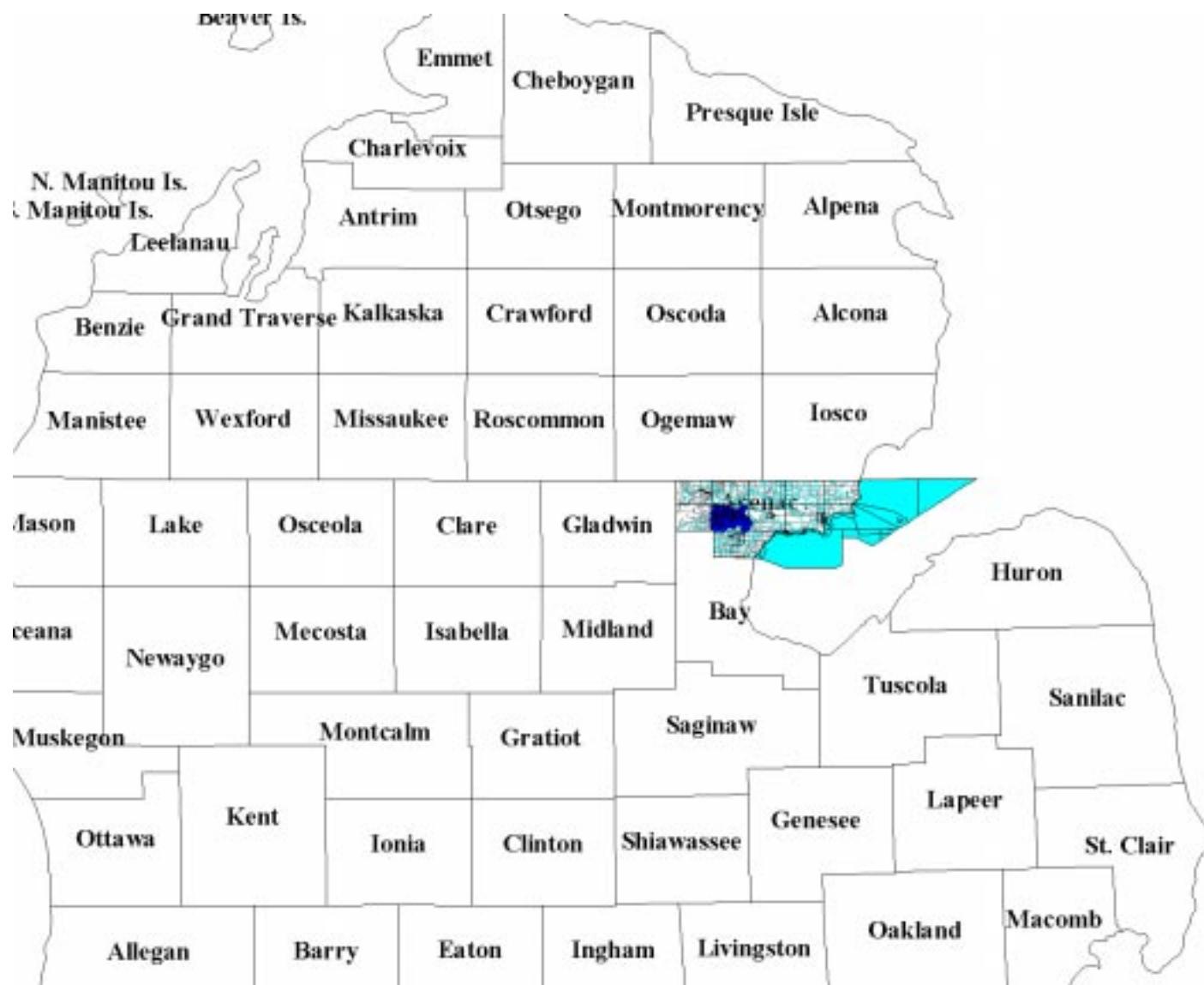
Edit the Header information and the Tops data for the wells plotted on the map. Wells and Formation Tops can be added, updated, and deleted.

Scout Ticket Page 00220			
OPERATOR	Gordon Oil Co.	PERMIT NO.	00220
PARM	00220	WELL NO.	1
COUNTY	TenBella	TWP/CDR/SEC	10/10/155
BL/TL/R	BL 10 TL 155 R 155	BL/TL/R	BL 10 TL 155 R 155
RL/SL	RL 100	RL	100
Wk	200	Wk	200
SHDW	SHDW	SHDW	SHDW
14°	0' 153"	14°	0' 153"
10° 30'	0' 3.61"	10° 30'	0' 3.61"
NIP	100 000 ft.	AIP	3.2 mi <sup>2</sup>
ELEV	784.7	TD	3055
Form	Fract - Ts	Datum	4/19/93
Fract	Fract - Ts	Datum	4/19/93
Tr. La	Tr. La	Dan.	00000000
Br. La	Br. La	D.B.	
Mar.	170	Br. S.	
Mar. R.R.	1440	Ry.	
Cv. La	Cv. La	B.L.	
Cv. R.R.	Cv. R.R.	Ad.	
Can.	Can.	Sh.	
Be-Bed	Be-Bed	Cst.	
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TF.	3030	sec. 3	Front

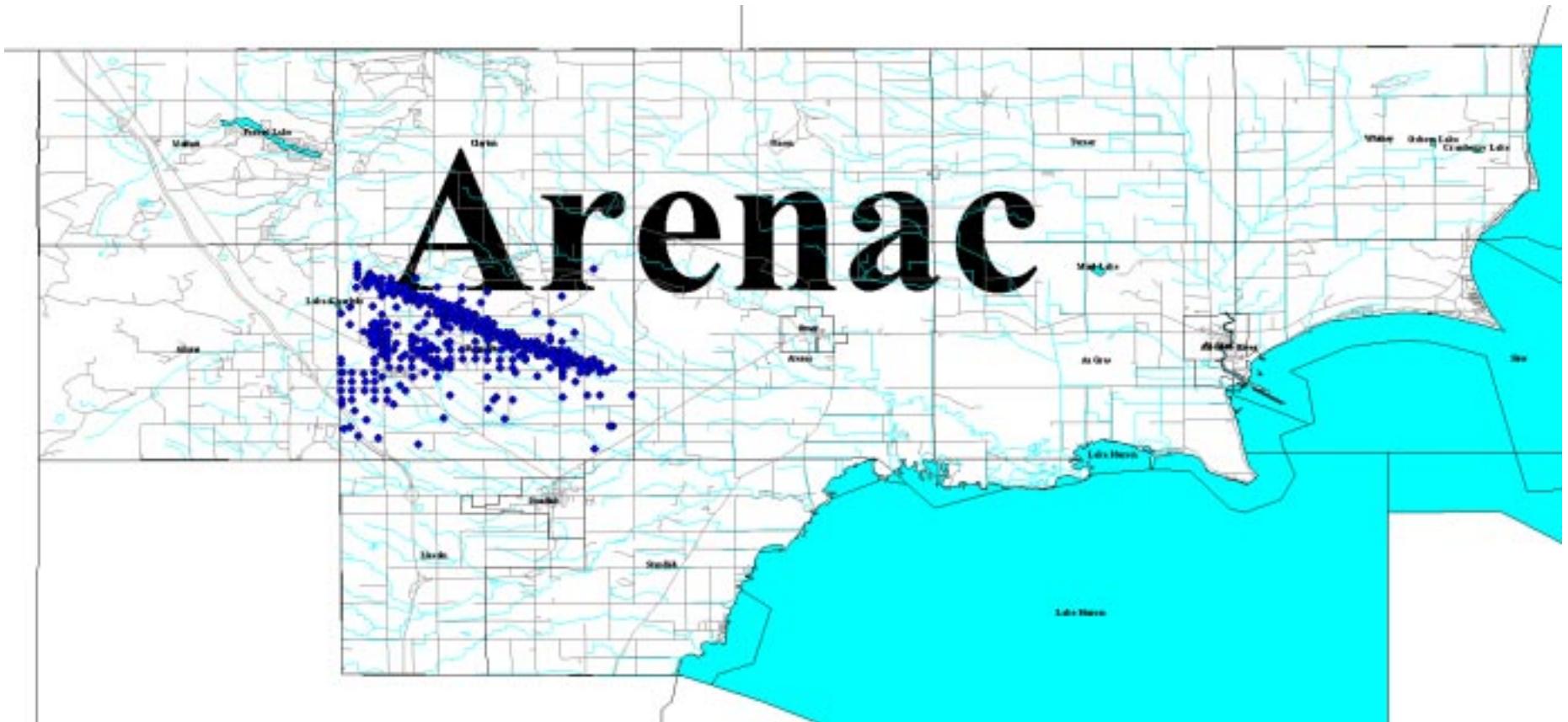
### Scout Tickets

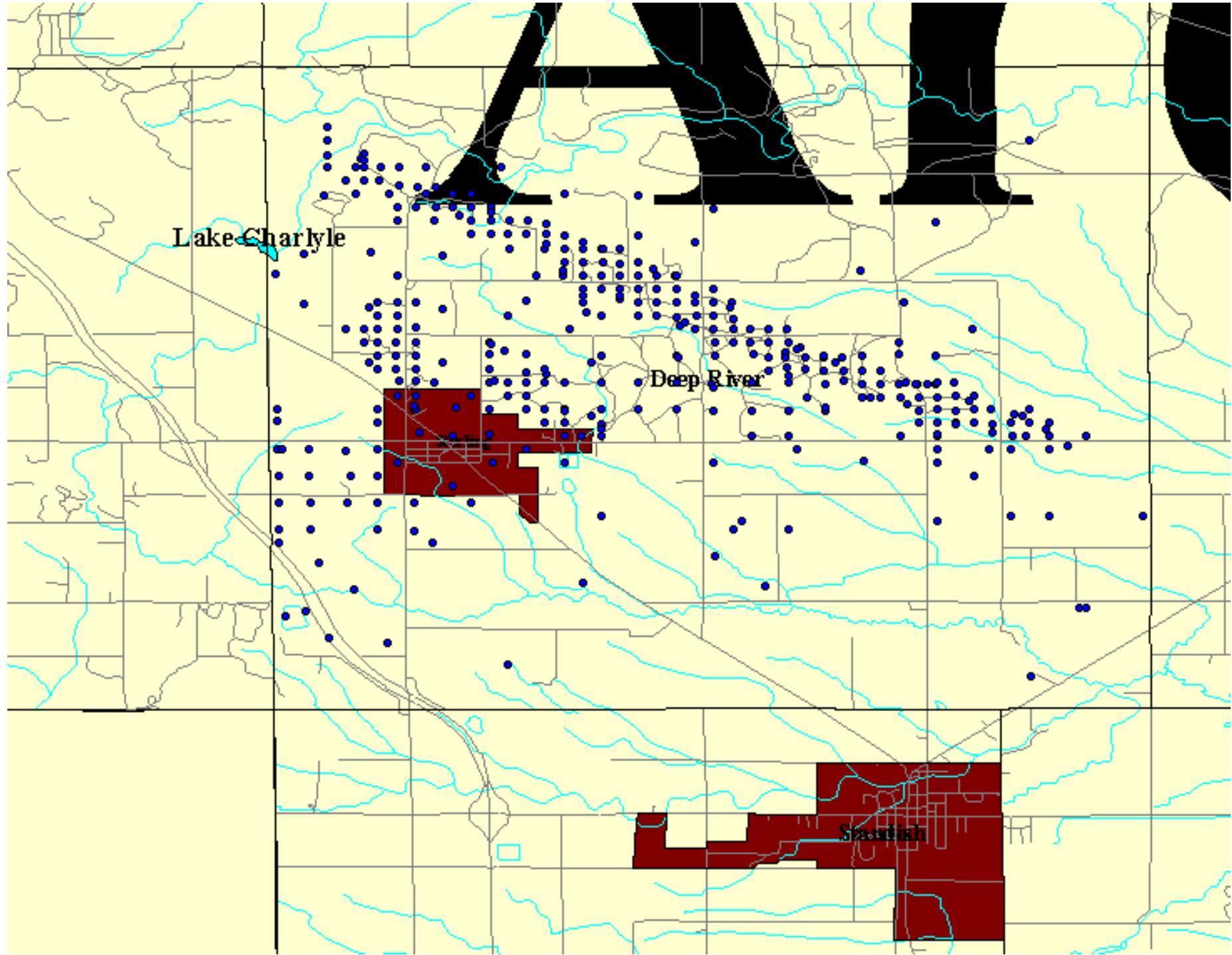
Atlas can display Scout Tickets for the current well. Clicking on the Next and Previous buttons will display notes and additional pages. The image can be zoomed and the Scout Ticket can remain open.

# ARENAC COUNTY, MI

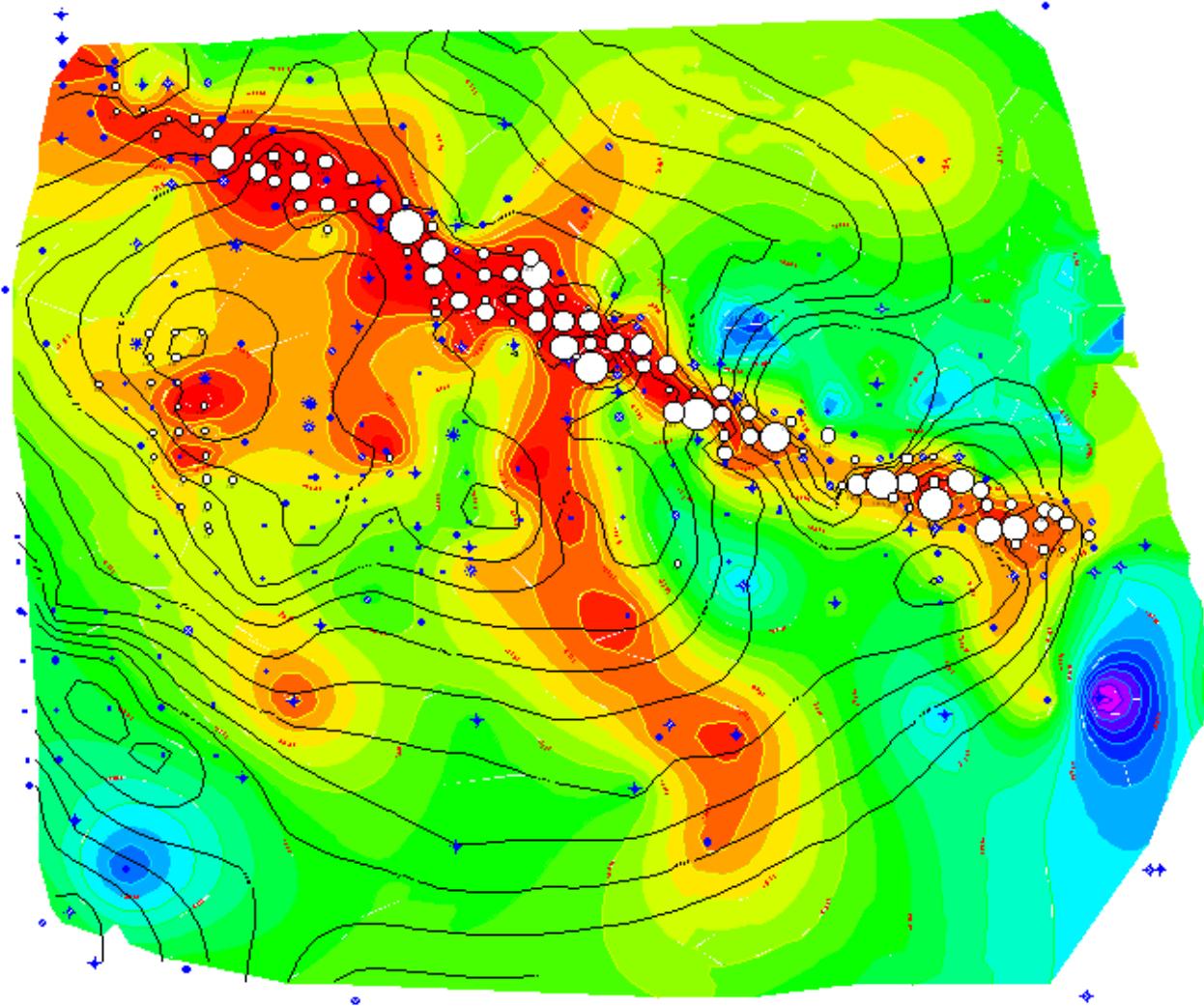


# DEEP RIVER FIELD





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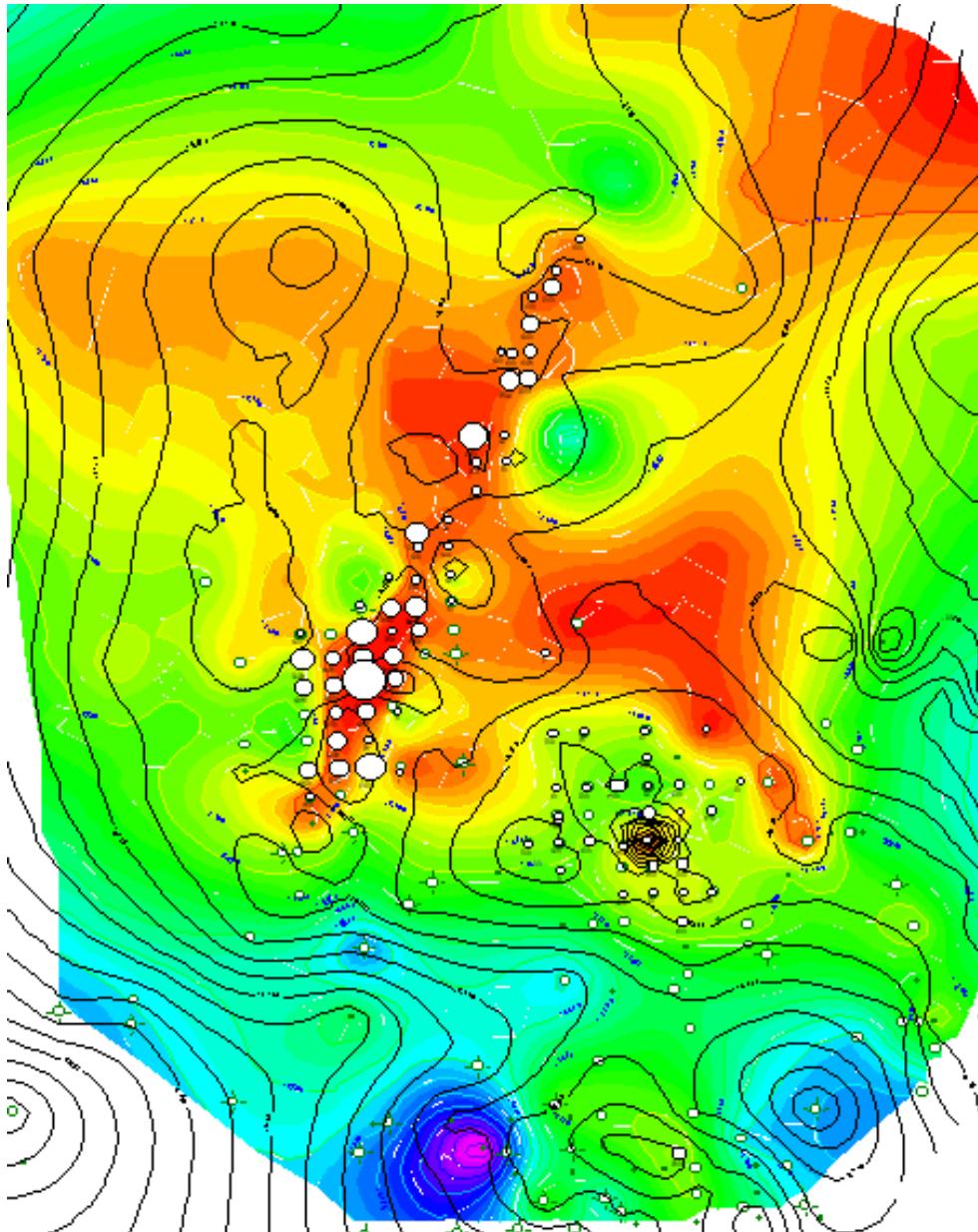


A good example of a dolomite “chimneys” in N. Arenac County cutting across structure in a NW - SE direction.

These types of fields are typical of carbonate reservoirs in the Michigan Basin and are good producers but are difficult to locate.

Initial production values reflect total HC production and follow porosity.

## N. ADAMS FIELD

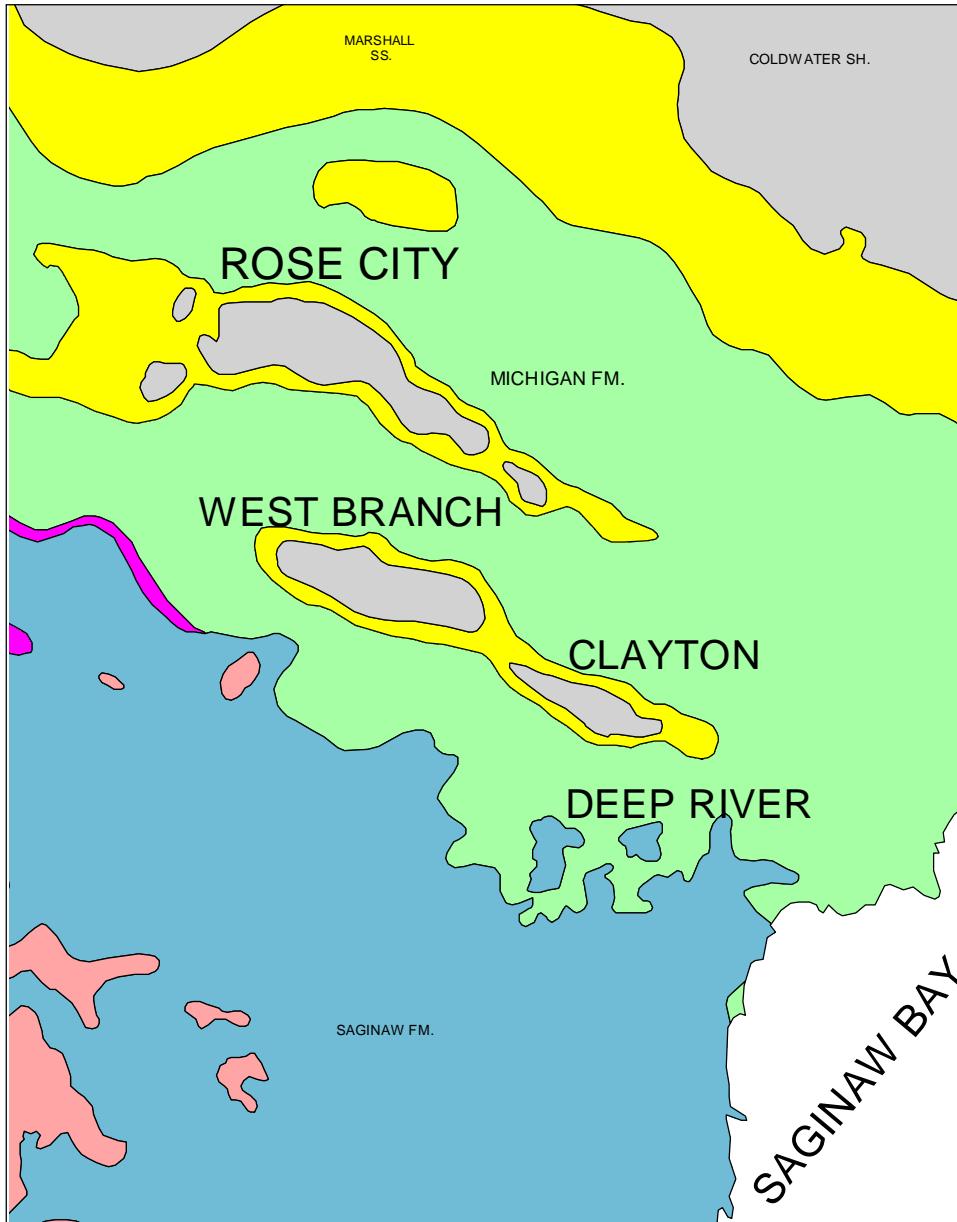


Another good example of a dolomite “chimneys” in N. Arenac County but cutting across structure in a NE - SW direction.

This field produced over 5 million bbls oil to date and is still producing from a few stripper wells.

Note deep “sink” holes in lower center in top porosity.

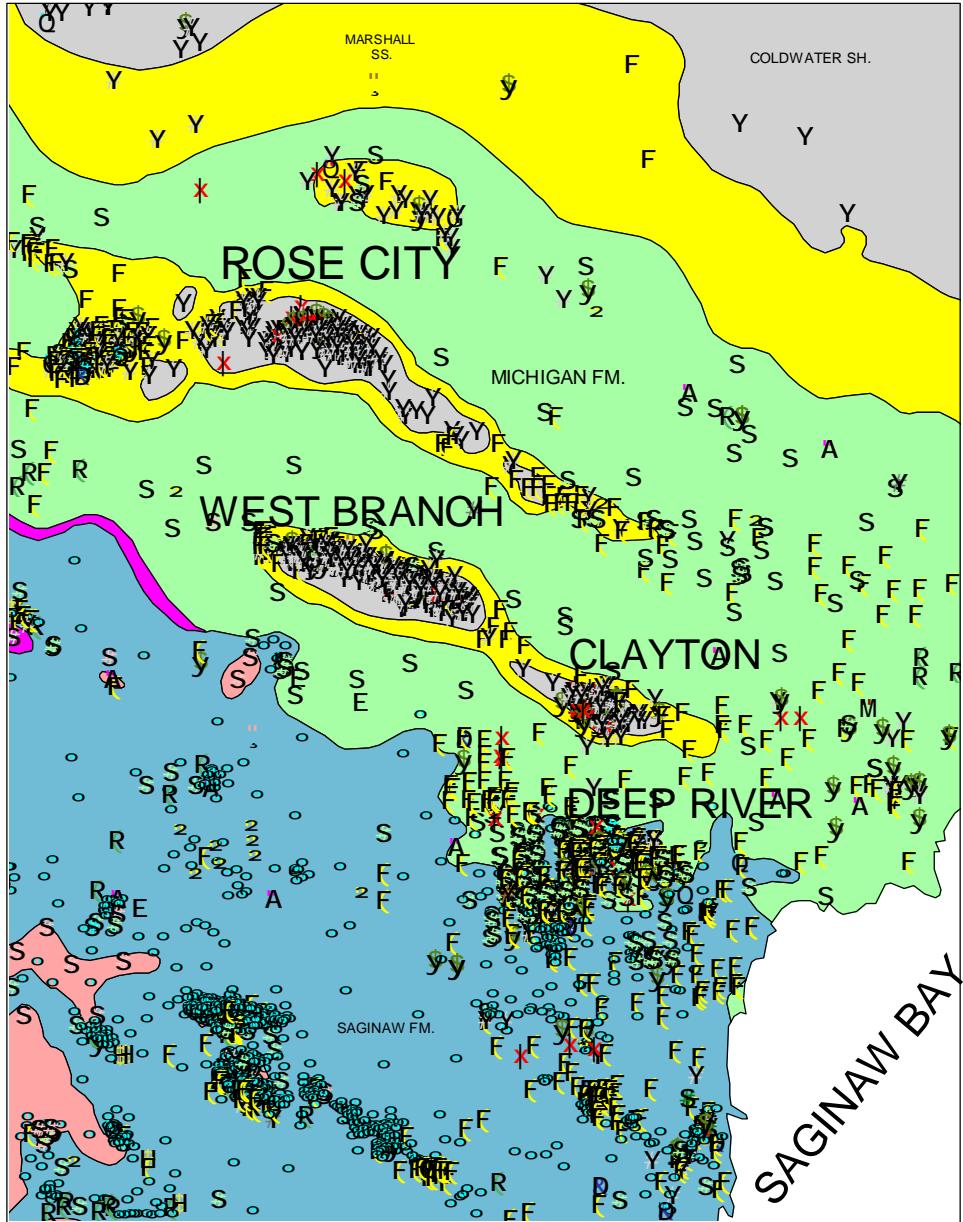
Color - “top porosity”  
lines - Top Dundee Fm.  
Open circles - Initial Production



# DIGITAL GEOLOGIC MAP DEEP RIVER FIELD ARENAC COUNTY, MI

DEEP RIVER, MI.

Source: USGS



DEEP RIVER, MI.

# DIGITAL GEOLOGIC MAP DEEP RIVER FIELD ARENAC COUNTY, MI

With sub-glacial formations  
from project database

# **Applications**

- Main application to industry is ATLAS GIS-based software program
- Code developed and program + data delivered
- 2 CD ROMs - 1 ATLAS program with TIGER support data, 2 with project data (field locations, tops, production & engineering data, raster images of scout tickets & driller's reports)

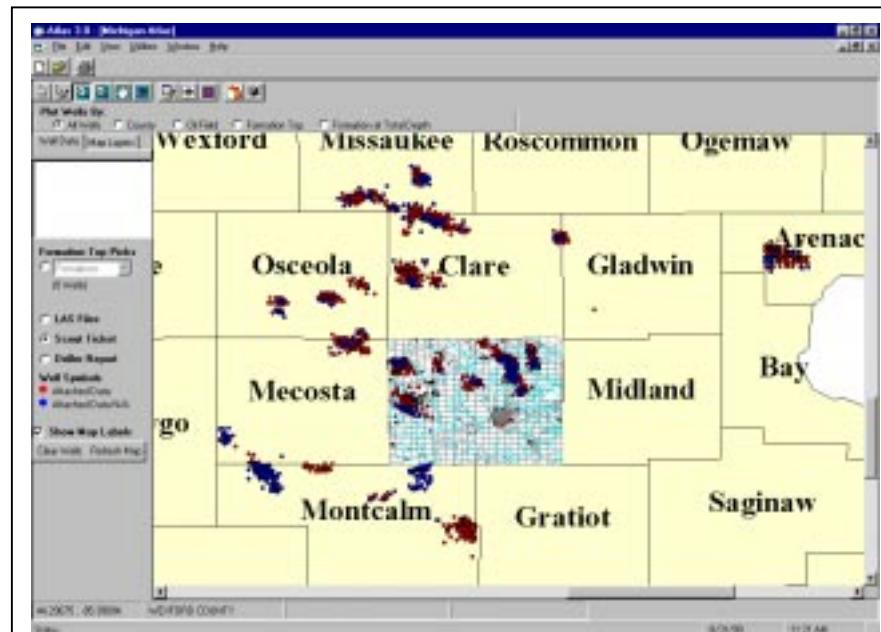
# **Part I.**

# **ATLAS Screenshots**

**Selected examples of use of ATLAS  
program with project database.**

# Atlas 3.0

## Subsurface Visualization Lab



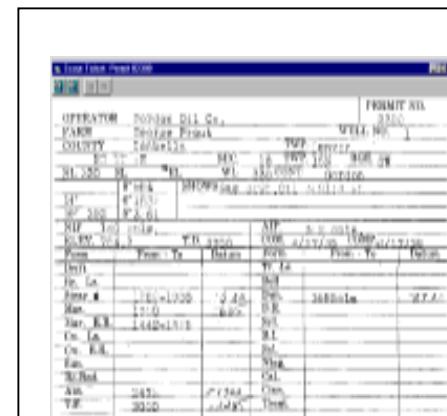
**Atlas** maps Oil and Gas Wells by County, Oil Field, Formation at Total Depth, and Formation Top Pick. When a subset of wells from the database is plotted, the user can:

- Edit individual wells in the database
- Show which of the plotted wells have a selected Formation Top Pick
- Display Document Images like Scout Tickets
- Export Formation Top Picks for 3D plotting

This screenshot shows the 'Edit Screen' dialog box. It contains fields for Project (3328), Oil Field (URSAL), Operator (J.W. LEONARD, JR.), and various well-related parameters like Top Depth, Total Depth, and Formation Tops. Below these fields is a grid titled 'Formation Tops' listing several entries with columns for Formation Code, Formation Name, and Measurement Depth. At the bottom of the dialog are buttons for Apply, Cancel, and OK.

### Edit Screen

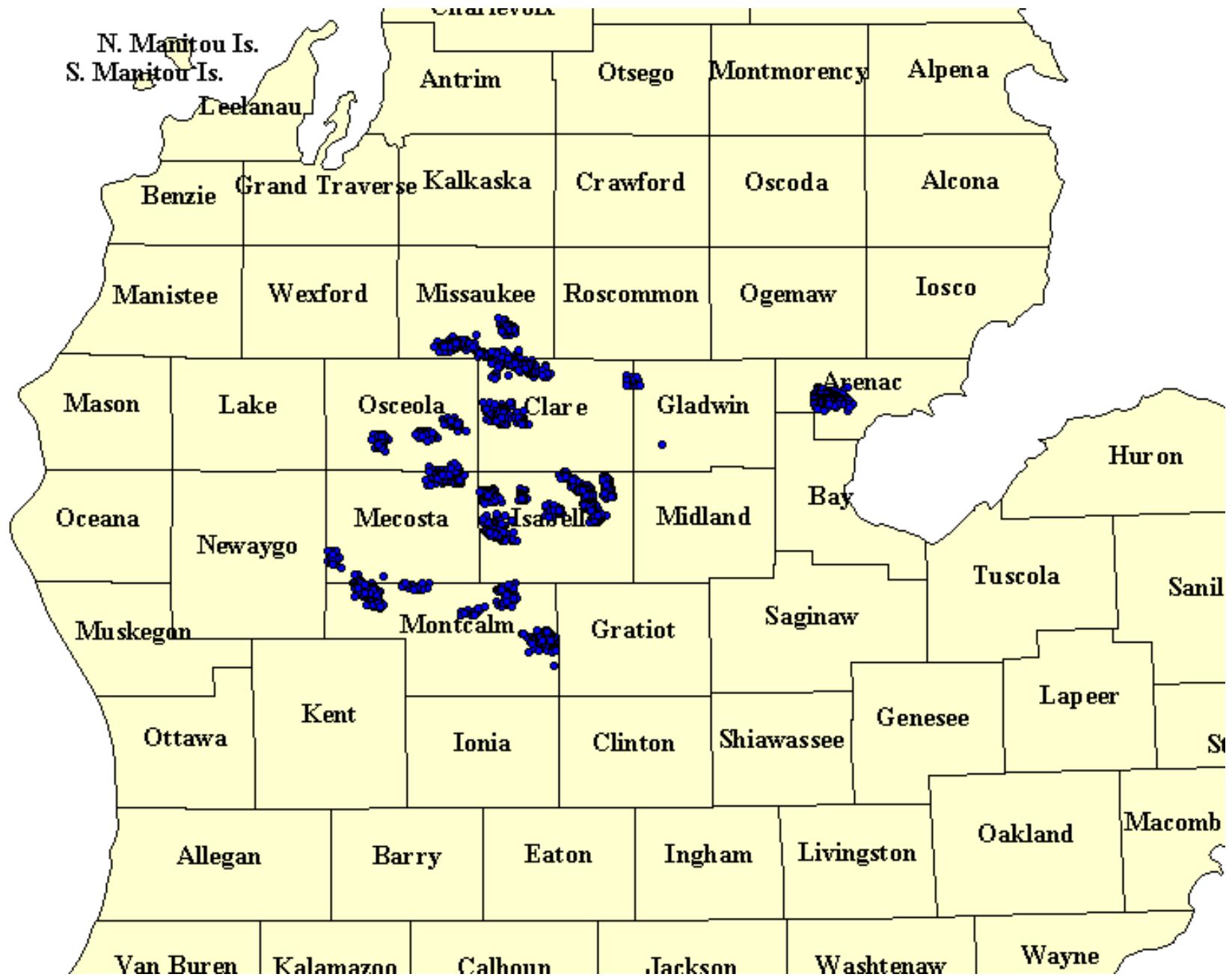
Edit the Header information and the Tops data for the wells plotted on the map. Wells and Formation Tops can be added, updated, and deleted.



### Scout Tickets

When the Scout Ticket button is clicked on the Edit Screen, the Scout Ticket for the current well is displayed. These are scanned images of the original Scout Tickets. Clicking on the Next and Previous buttons will display notes written on the back of the Scout Ticket and any additional pages. The image can be zoomed in or out and the Scout Ticket can remain open while entering data on the Edit Screen.

Two types of scanned documents stored as multi-page TIF files can be accessed from Atlas. When a project is opened, the document description and the directory path to the images are entered into the Project Information Screen.



Anistee

Wexford

Missaukee

Roscommon

Ogemaw

Lake

Osceola

Clare

Gladwin

Newaygo

Mecosta

Isabella

Midland

egan

Montcalm

Gratiot

Saginaw

Kent

Atlas clipboard

Montcalm

ent



**Project Information**

**Project Data**

**Project Name:** Michigan Atlas

**Project Database:** C:\PROGRAM FILES\ATLAS\data\mi\_atlas.mdb

**Formation Top Picks**  
 Measured Depth  Subsea Depth **Hole or Null Value:** -99999

**Maps (Select one or more)**

World Map (Country Borders):

Country Map (State Borders):

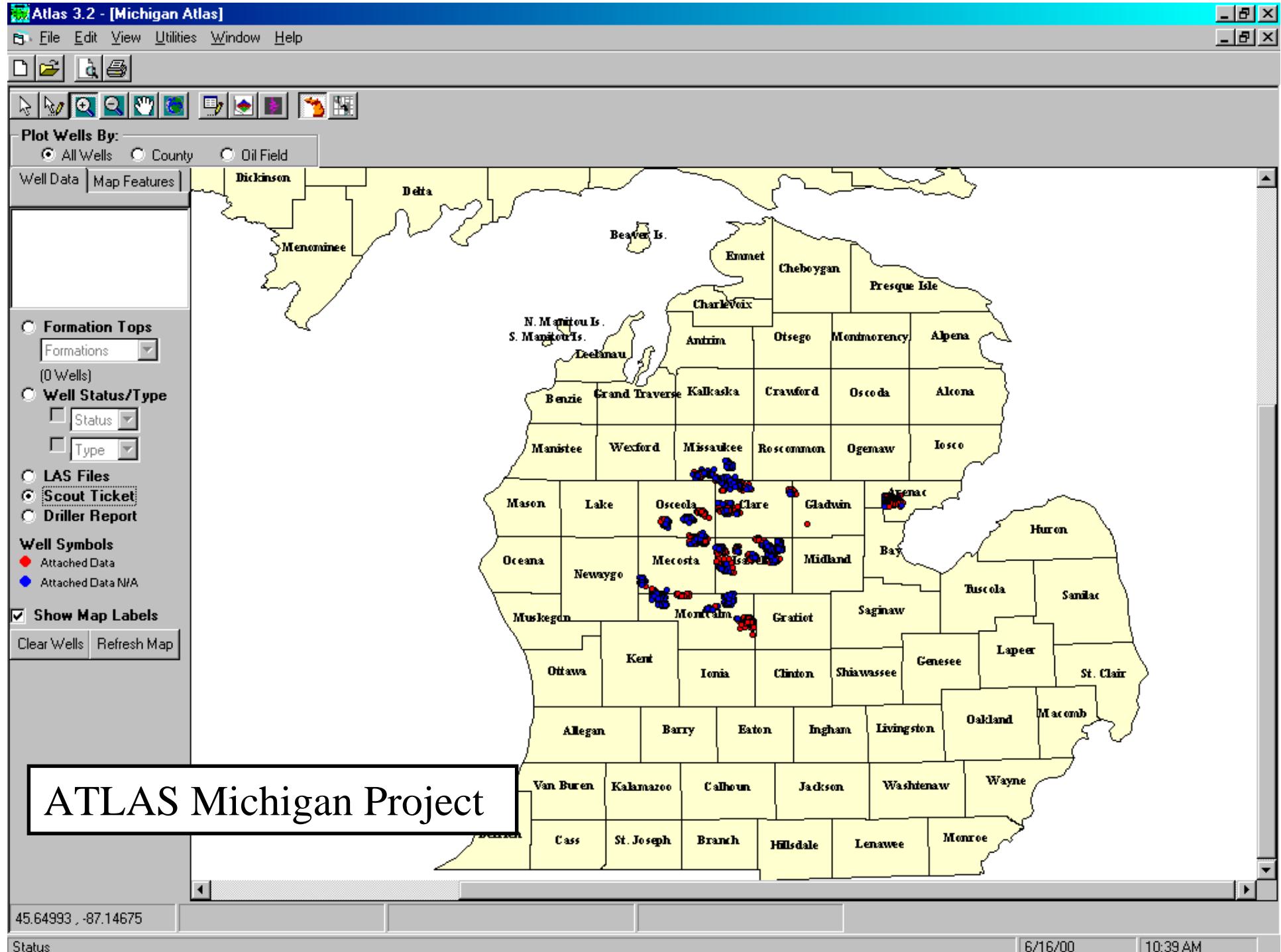
State Map (County Borders): C:\PROGRAM FILES\ATLAS\data\co26names

Directory of Map Features: E:\TIGERDATA\

**Document Images (Optional)**

Document Type	Document Root Directory	Browse...
1. Scout Ticket	E:\scouttickets\	<input type="button" value="Browse..."/>
2. Driller Report	E:\driller_reports\	<input type="button" value="Browse..."/>
3. LAS Files	E:\lasfiles\	<input type="button" value="Browse..."/>

ATLAS Opening Screen



**Atlas 3.2 - [Michigan Atlas]**

File Edit View Utilities Window Help

Plot Wells By:  All Wells  County  Oil Field

Well Data | Map Features

**ATLAS Edit Screen**

**All Wells in Michigan Atlas**

Permit*	00128BD	Lat*/Long*	43.77086	-84.69301	
Oil Field*	WISE	Well Status Codes:	BDW ACT 1	* Required Entry	
Operator:	SUMMIT PETROLEUM CORPORATION FORM				
Well Name:	NORTH WISE UNIT		3		
KB*:	775	Subsea TD:	-2975	IP-Before:	0
Total Depth:	1415	Formation at TD:	MCGN1	IP-After:	0
County Code/Name*:	37	ISABELLA		IP-Water:	
SECT/TWN/RNG:	20	16N	3W	Top of Porosity:	
Quarters:	NE	NW	NE	No. Formation Tops:	2
Footage Calls:	200	FNL	1090	Issue Date:	5/31/60
Comment:					
Drill Start Date:	12/16/89				
Drill Compl Date:	12/26/89				

**Selected Wells**

Permit	FormationCode	FormationName	Measured Depth
00128BD	302TRVRL	Traverse Limestone	2996
00128BD	302DNDE	Dundee	3643

Click a Formation to Update the Current Formation Tops Record

Add Well Delete Well Refresh Update Close  
Add Fm Top Delete Fm Top Scout Ticket Driller Report LAS File

Record: 1 of 3117

44.49996, -85.2628 MISSAUKEE COUNTY 6/16/00 10:52 AM

## All Wells in Michigan Atlas



Permit*:	00128BD	Lat*/Long*:	43.77086	-84.69301
Oil Field*:	WISE	Well Status Codes:	BDW	ACT
Operator:	SUMMIT PETROLEUM CORPORATION FORM			
Well Name:	NORTH WISE UNIT	3		
KB*:	775	Subsea TD:	-2975	IP-Before:
Total Depth:	1415	Formation at TD:	MCGN1	IP-After:
County Code/Name*:	37	ISABELLA		IP-Water:
SECT/TWN/RNG:	20	16N	3W	Top of Porosity:
Quarters:	NE	NW	NE	No. Formation Tops:
Footage Calls:	200	FNL	1090	Issue Date:
Comment:				Drill Start Date:
				12/16/89
				Drill Compl Date:
				12/26/89

### Selected Wells

00128BD  
00129BD  
00651  
00806  
00823  
00849  
00850

Formation Tops				
	Permit	FormationCode	FormationName	Measured Depth
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	00128BD	302DNDE	Dundee	3643

Click a Formation to Update the Current Formation Tops Record

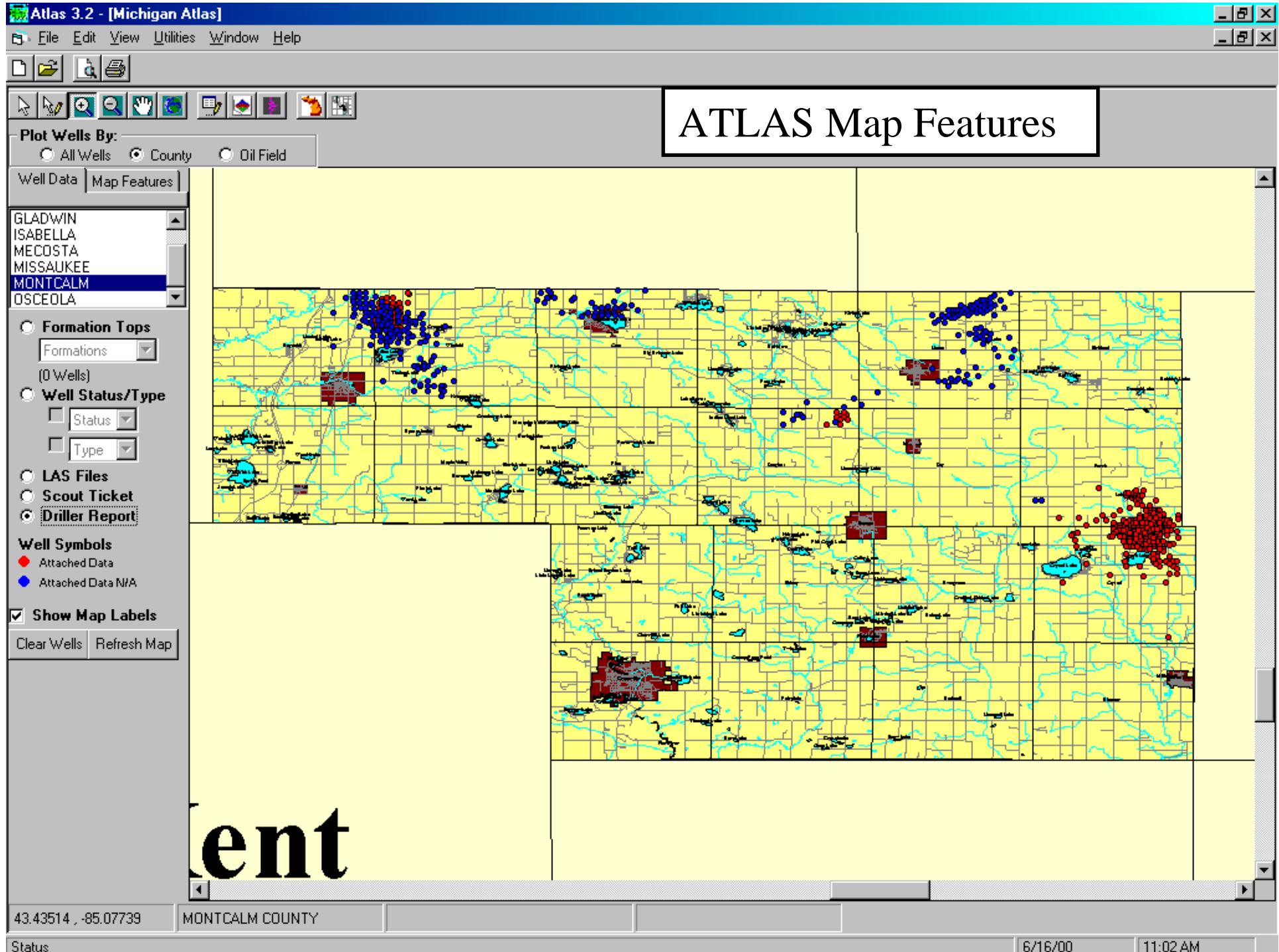
[Add Well](#) [Delete Well](#) [Refresh](#) [Update](#) [Close](#)  
[Add Fm Top](#) [Delete Fm Top](#) [Scout Ticket](#) [Driller Report](#) [LAS File](#)

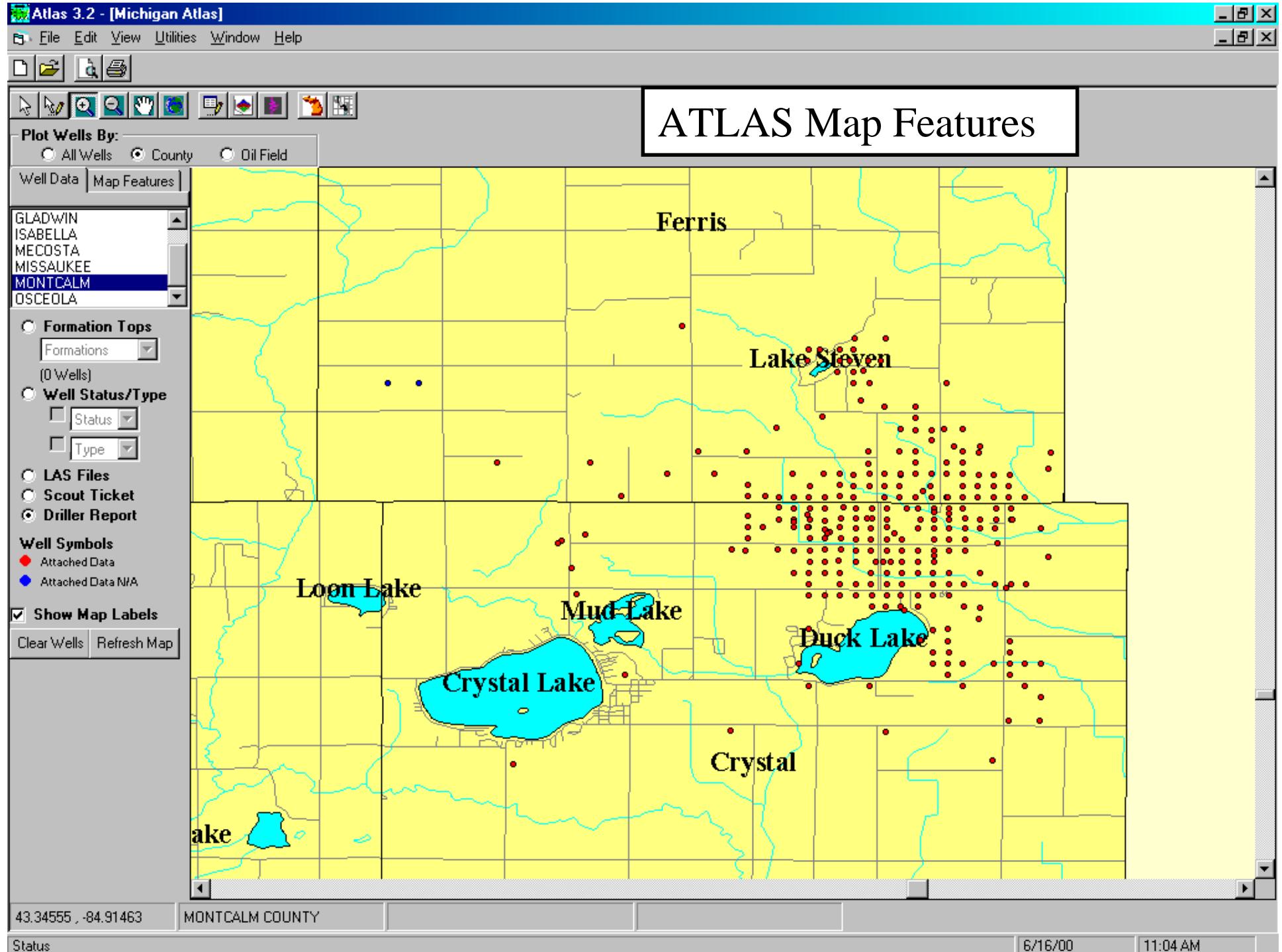
ATLAS Edit Screen

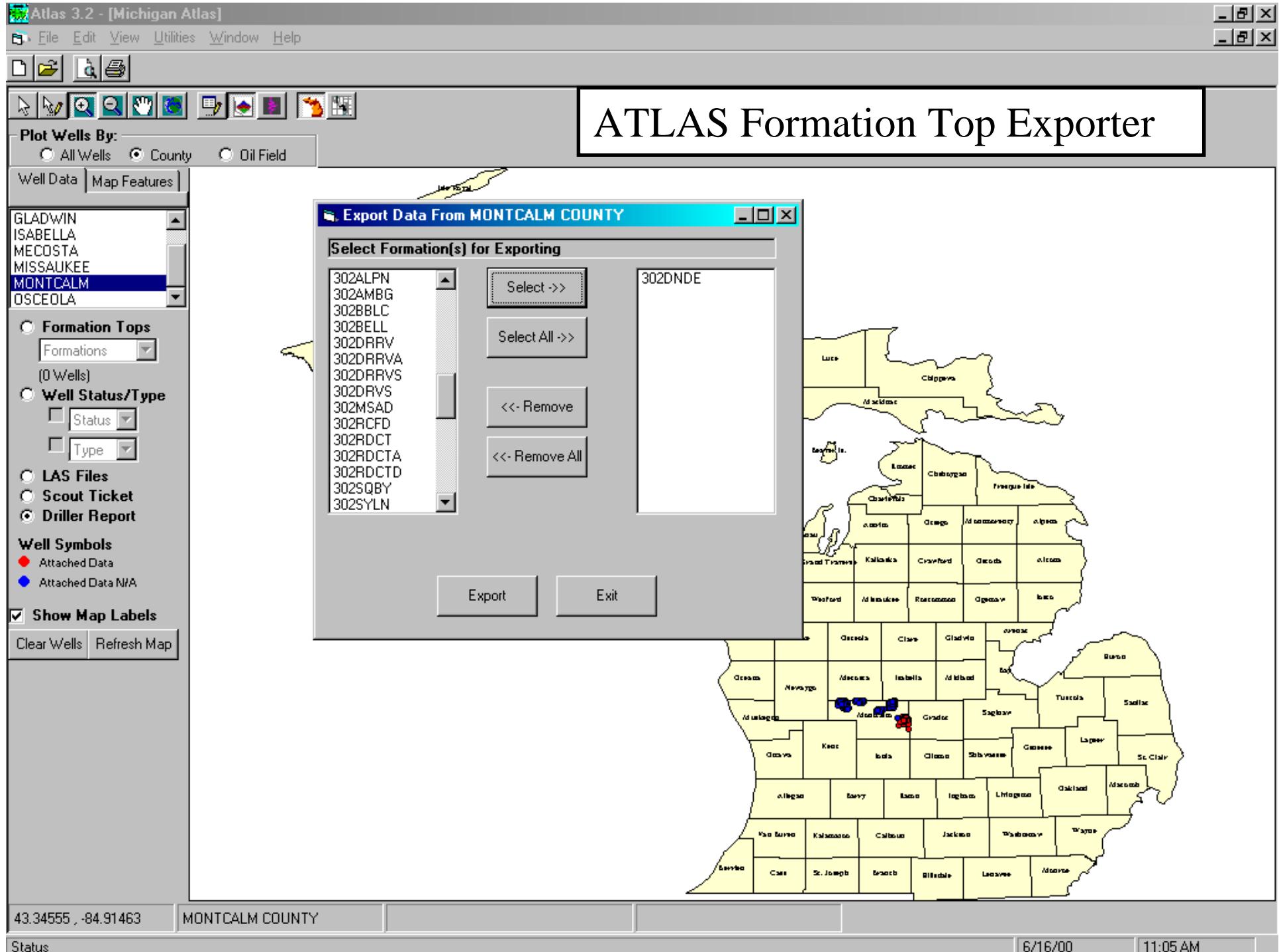


Record: 1 of 3117









# ATLAS Formation Top Exporter

 Export Data From COLDWATER FIELD [Minimize] [Restore] [Close]

Select Formation(s) for Exporting

- 302AMBG
- 302DRRVA
- 302RCFD
- 302TRVR
- 302TRVRL
- 319ANRM
- 351CLDR
- 351SNBR
- 352MRLL
- 353BPRT
- 353BRLM
- 353MCGN
- 353STRY
- 353TPGP
- 403PARM

302BELL

302DNDE

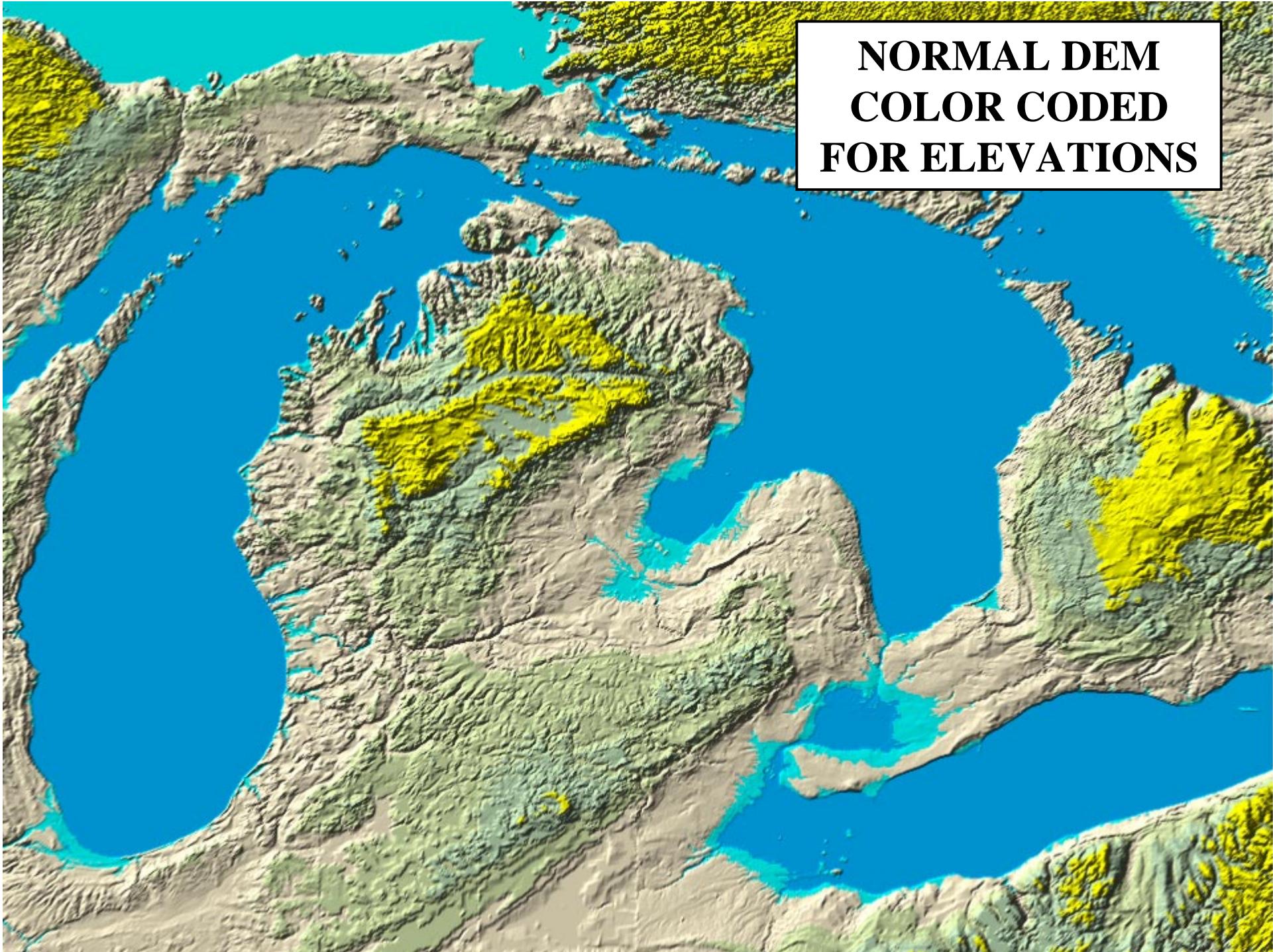
# **Part II.**

# **DEM Data & Analysis**

**Progress report on use of digital  
elevation models (DEMs) in project.**

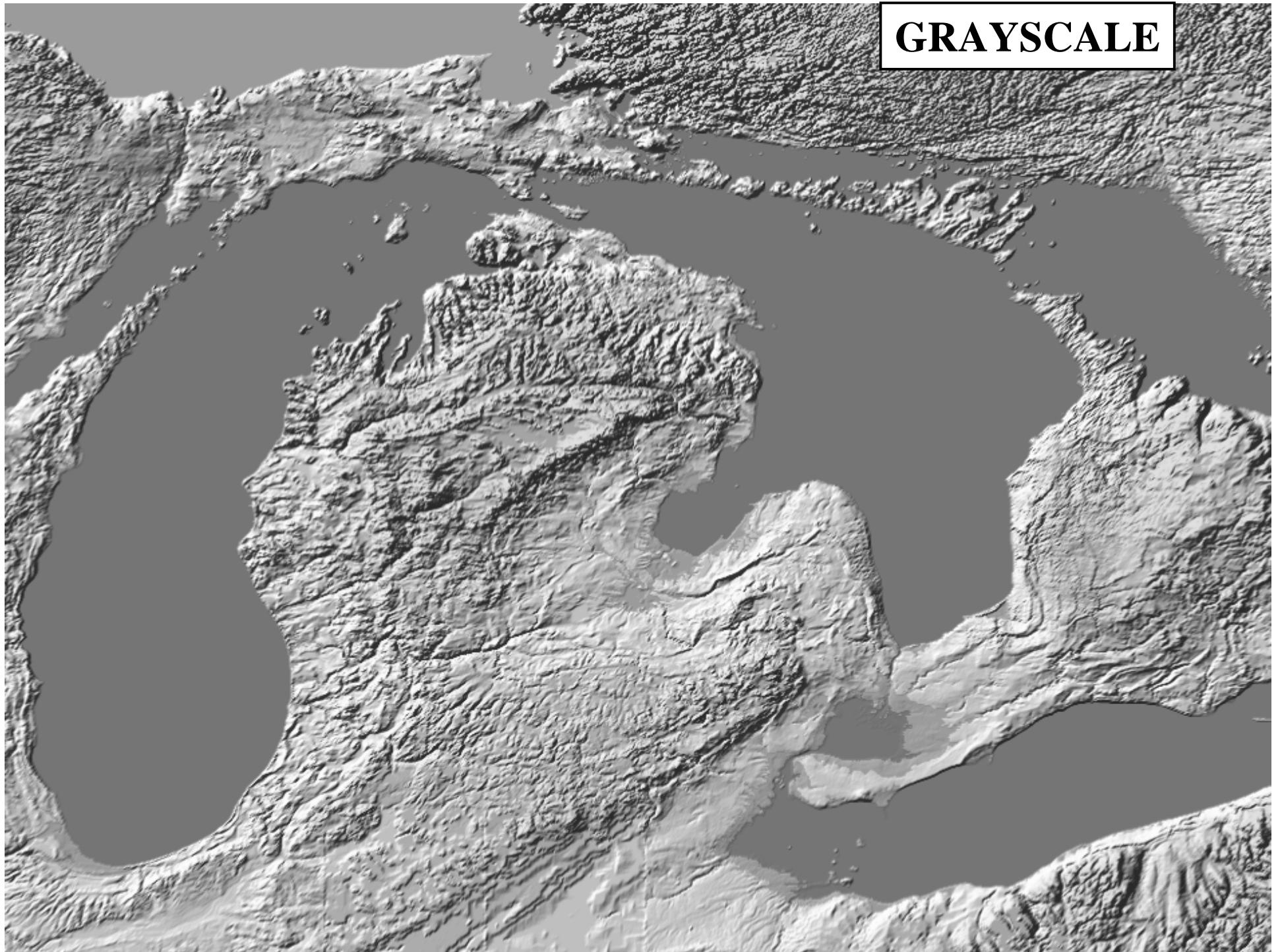
DEMs (digital elevation models) are regularly spaced grids of elevation data. The USGS supplies DEM files for most of the U. S. at scales of 7.5 minutes and 250,000 (~1 degree x 1 degree). 1 km x 1 km data is also available commercially. The advantage of using DEM data in this project is that often elevations reflect underlying geological features, such as faults or lithology.

In this study we are collecting and processing DEM data for the entire Michigan Basin, at 7.5 and 250,000 scales. Typically the data have to be decompressed, checked for elevation units and mosaiced together. Once this is done, the resulting images can be analyzed in various ways. We have applied a number of standard filters to the 1 km x 1 km Michigan data to extract lineations. Typical results are shown in the following slides.

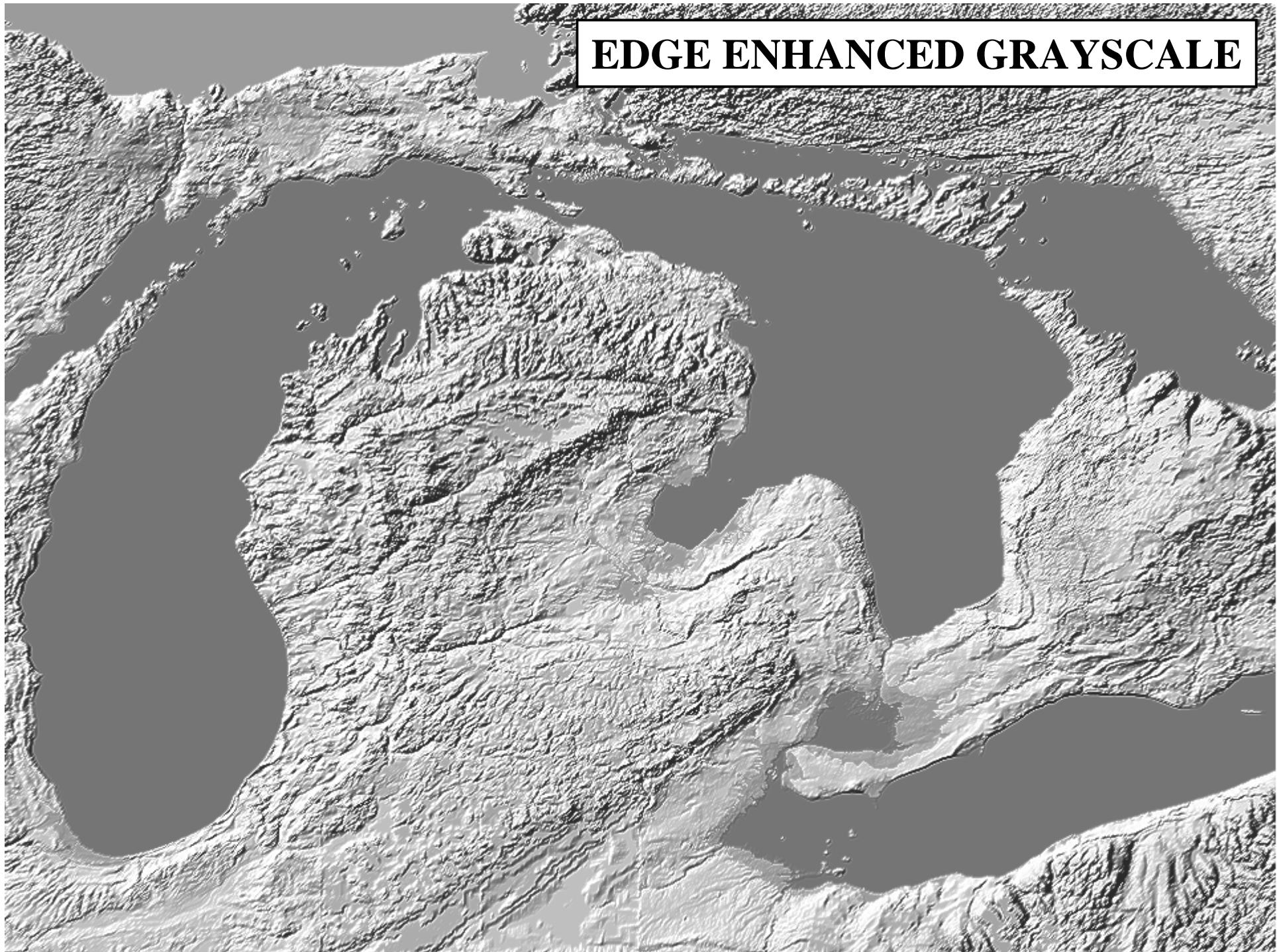


**NORMAL DEM  
COLOR CODED  
FOR ELEVATIONS**

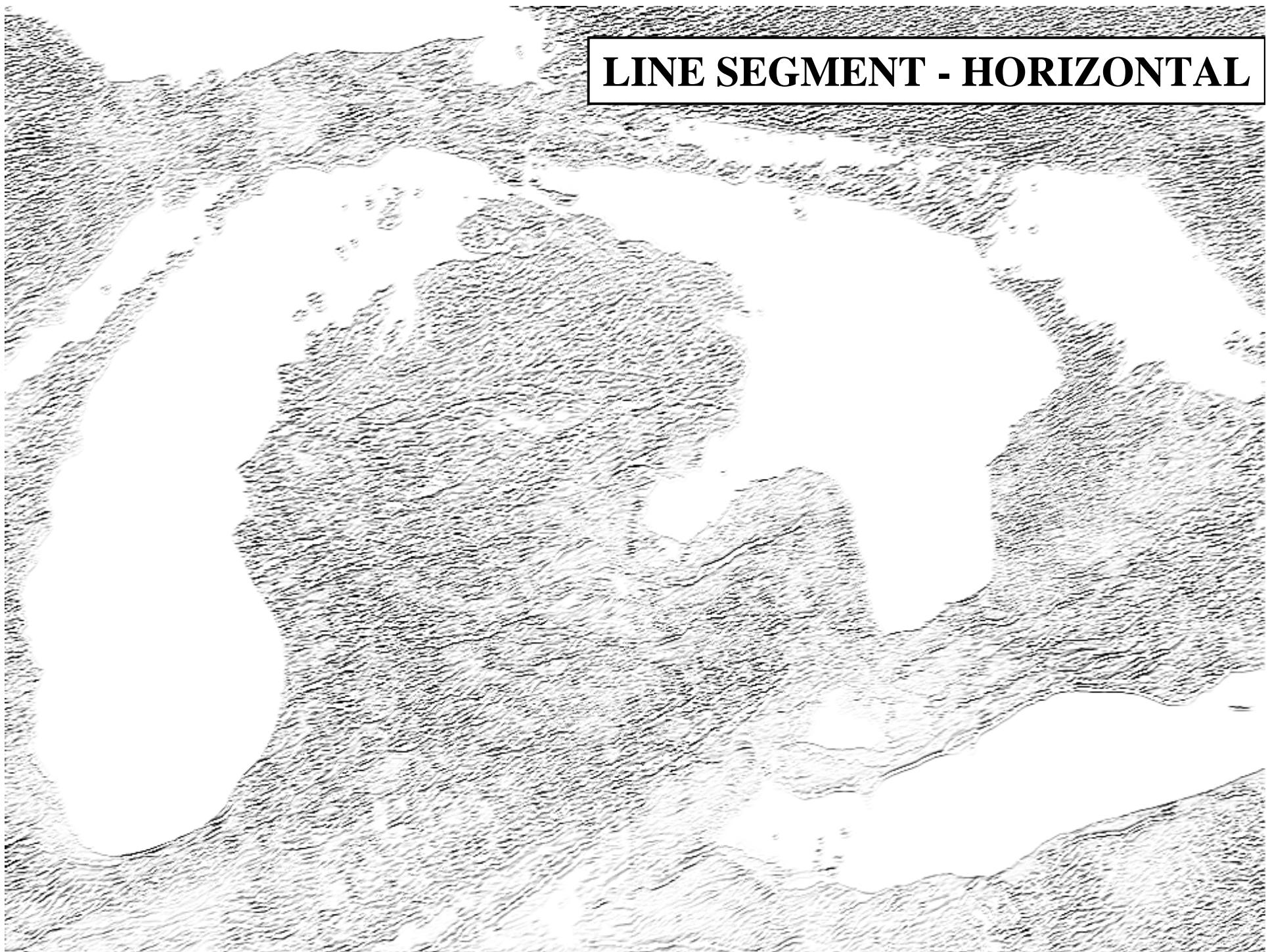
**GRAYSCALE**



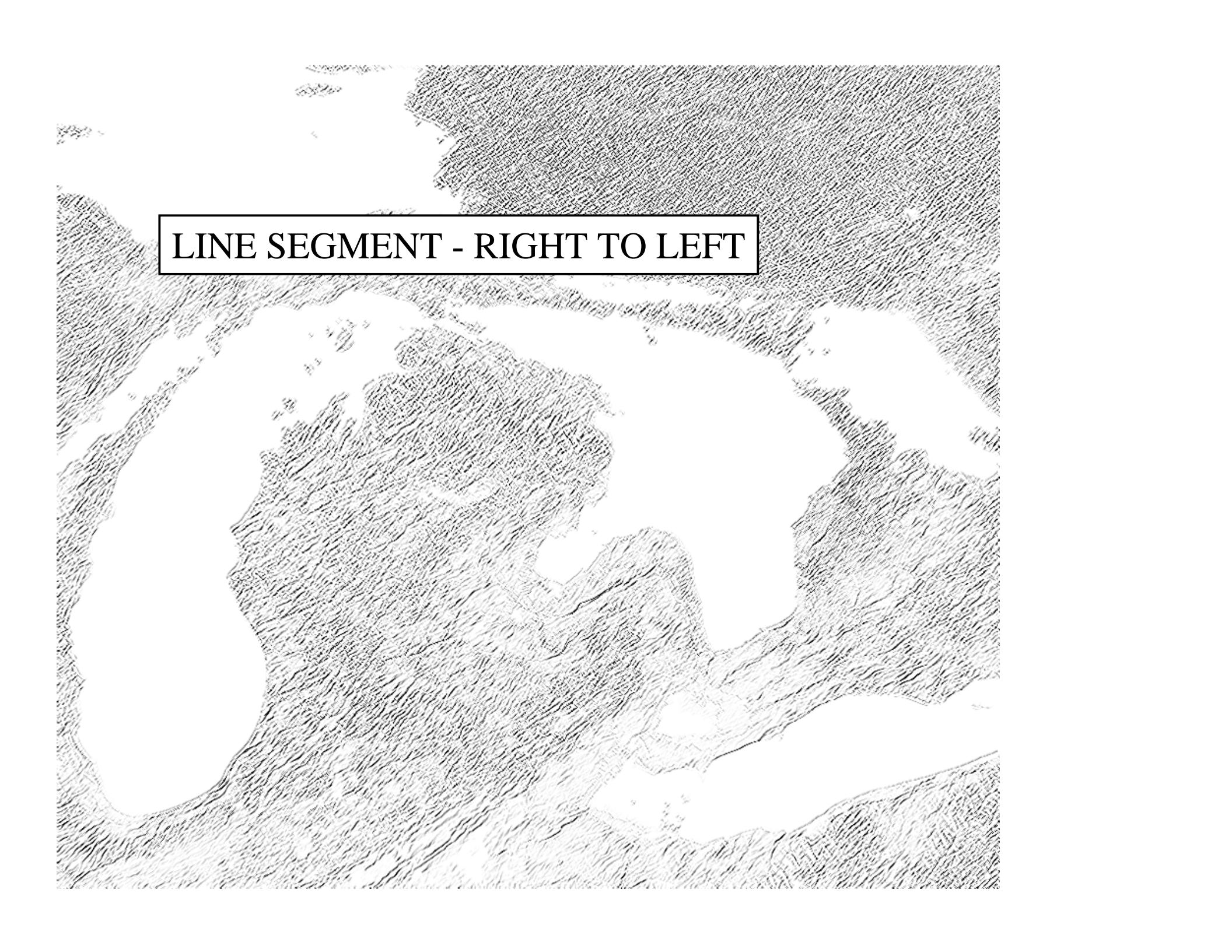
**EDGE ENHANCED GRayscale**



**LINE SEGMENT - HORIZONTAL**

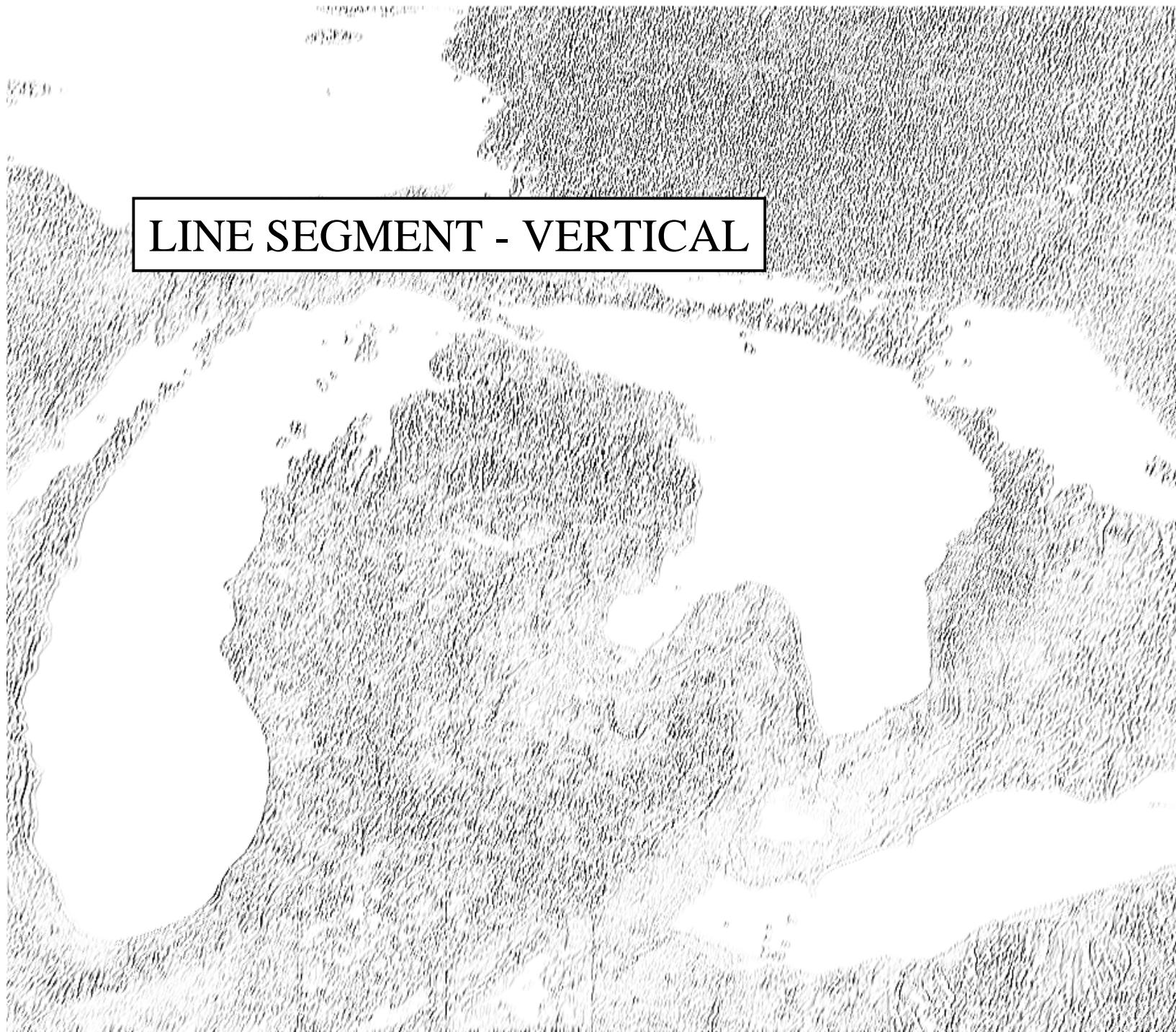


**LINE SEGMENT - LEFT TO RIGHT**



**LINE SEGMENT - RIGHT TO LEFT**

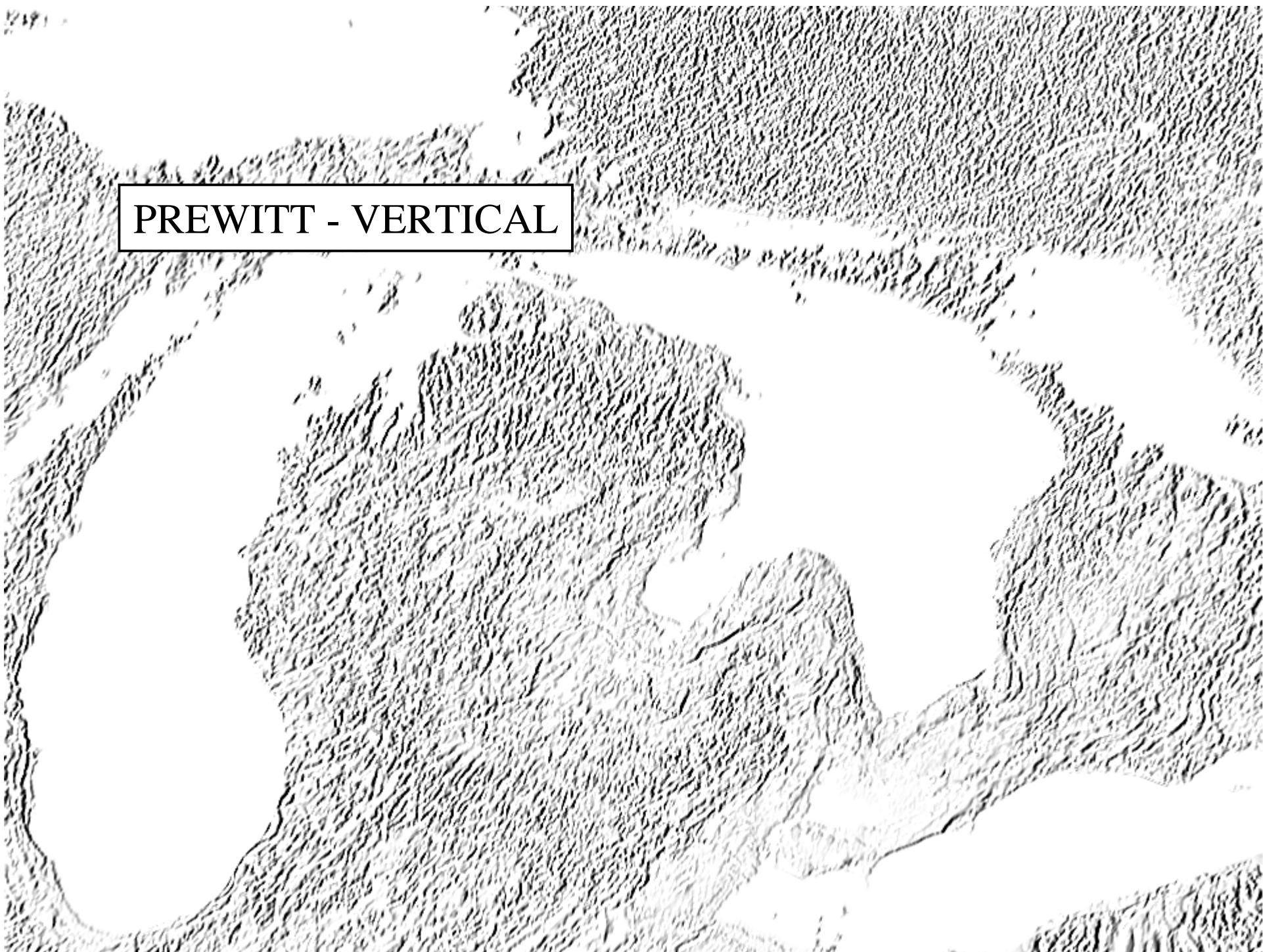
# LINE SEGMENT - VERTICAL



**PREWITT - HORIZONTAL**



PREWITT - VERTICAL

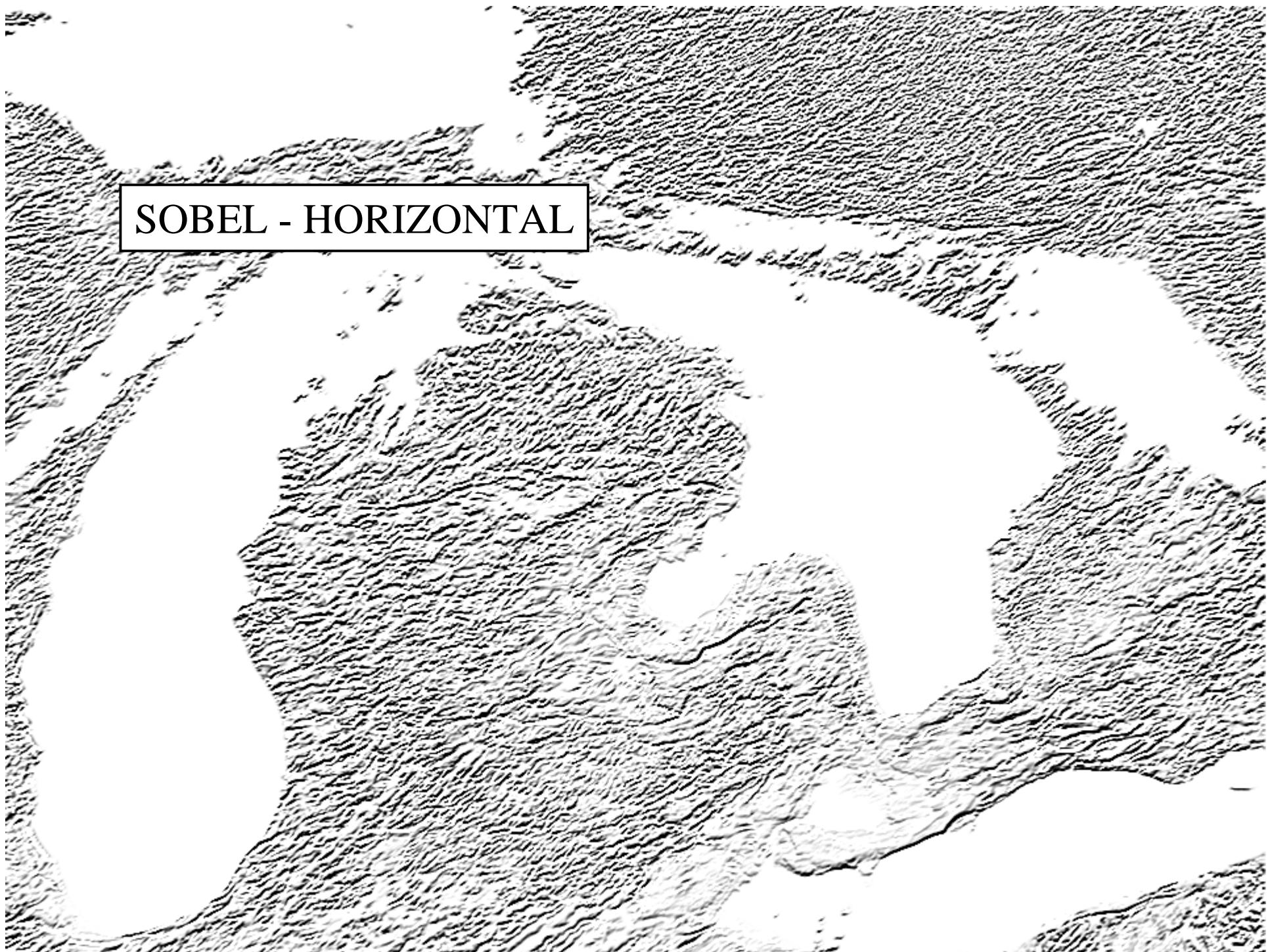


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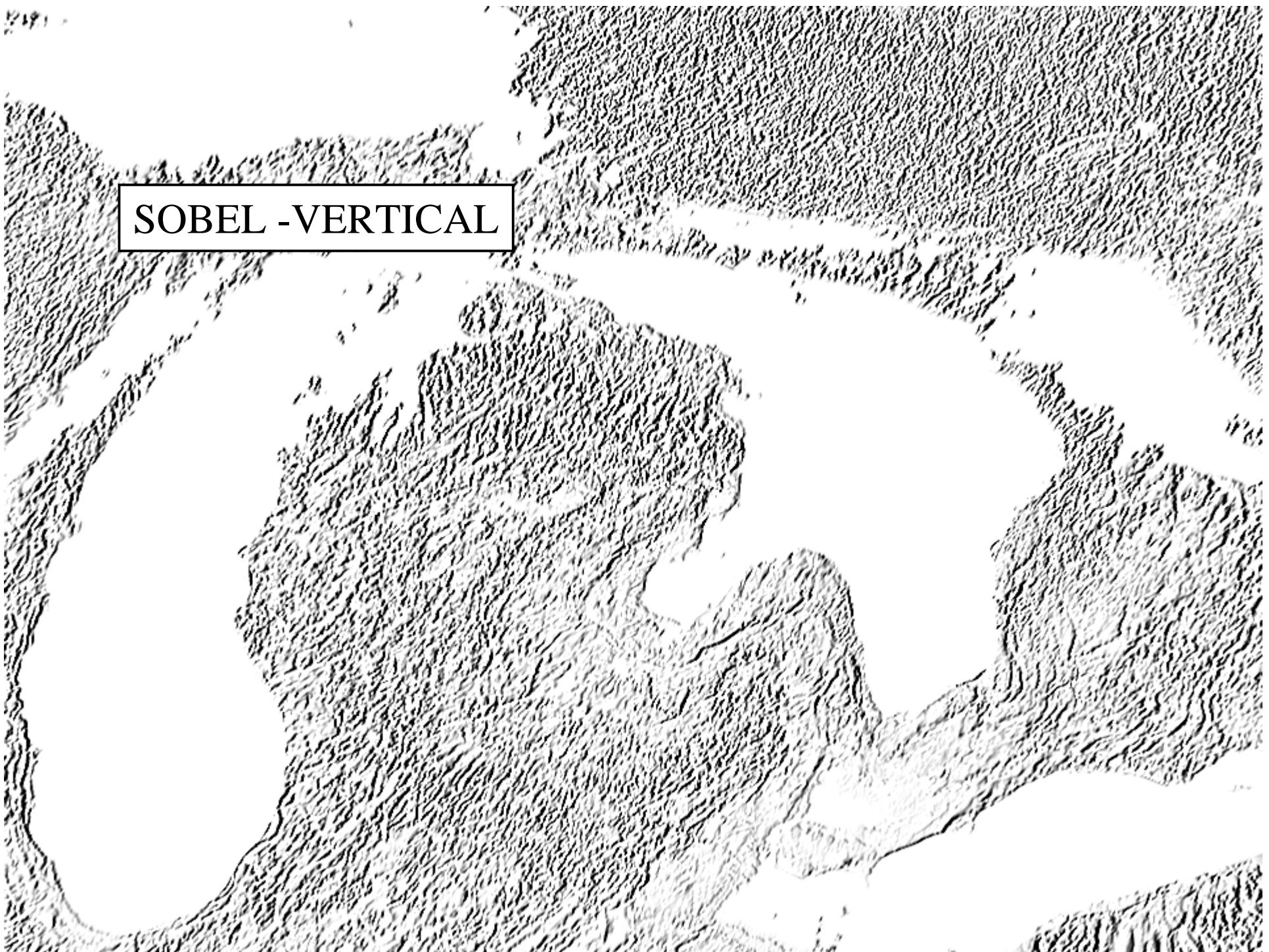
**SHIFT DIFFERENCE - HORIZONTAL**

**SHIFT DIFFERENCE - VERTICAL**

**SOBEL - HORIZONTAL**



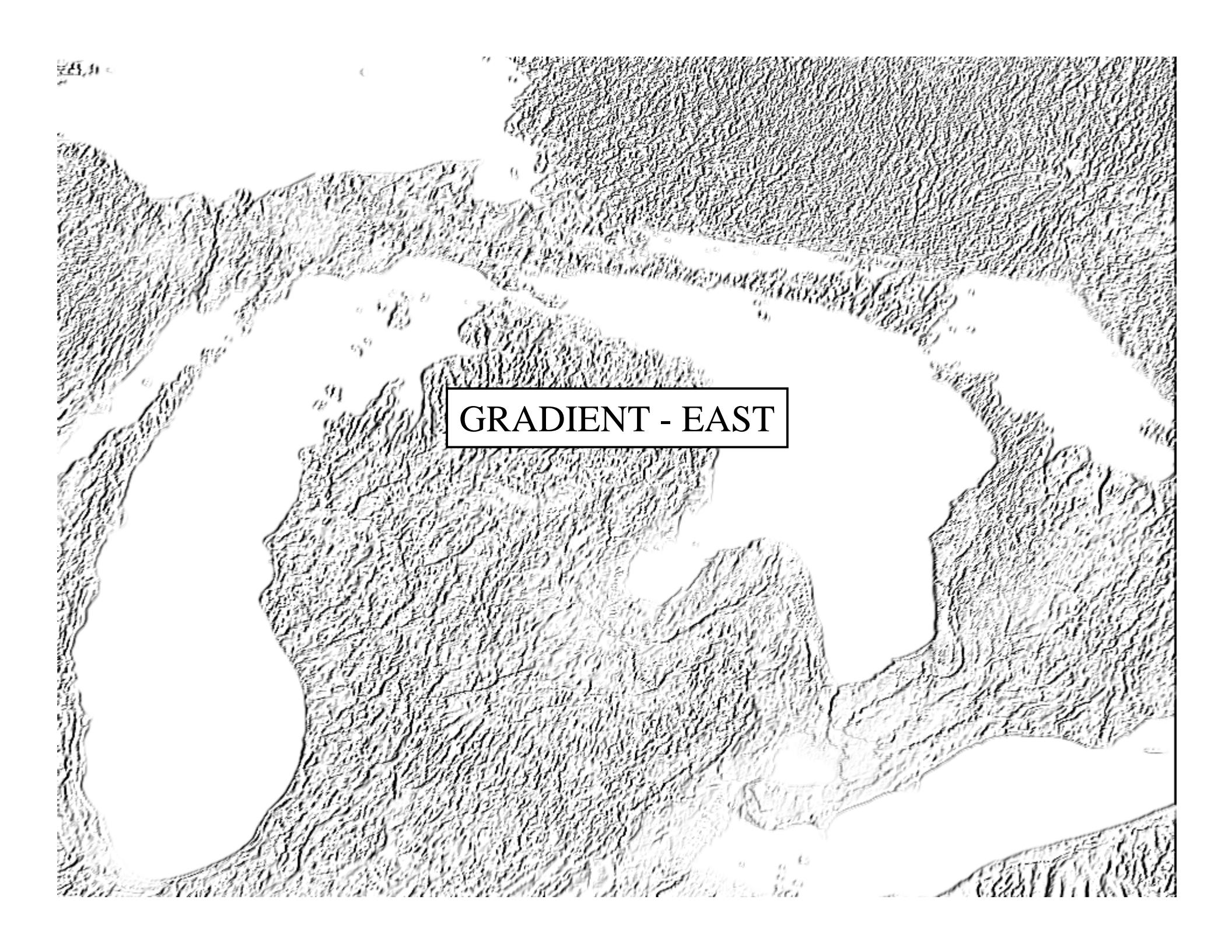
SOBEL - VERTICAL



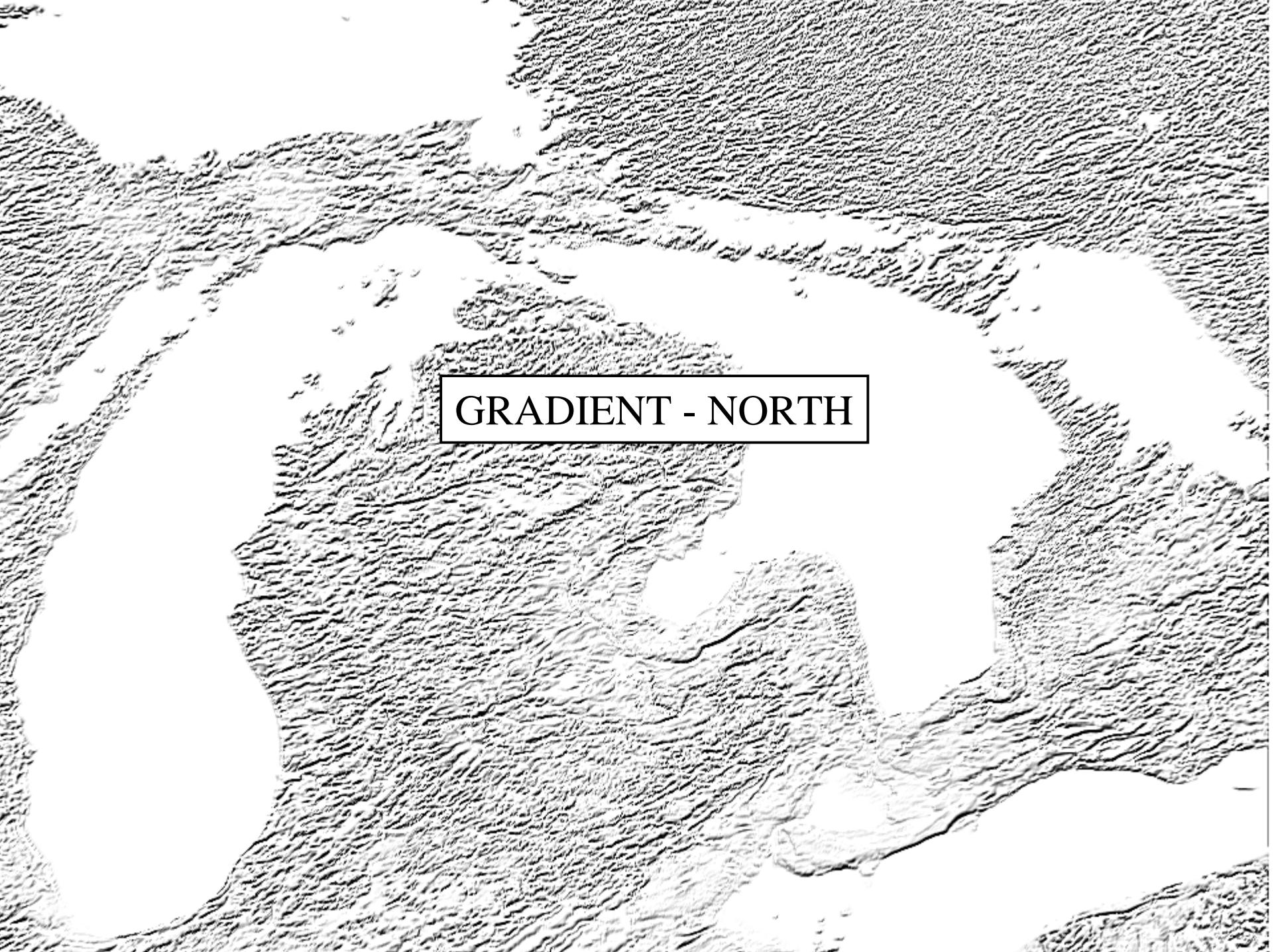
“X-RAY”

Operations: grayscale-->histogram equalize-->histogram contrast

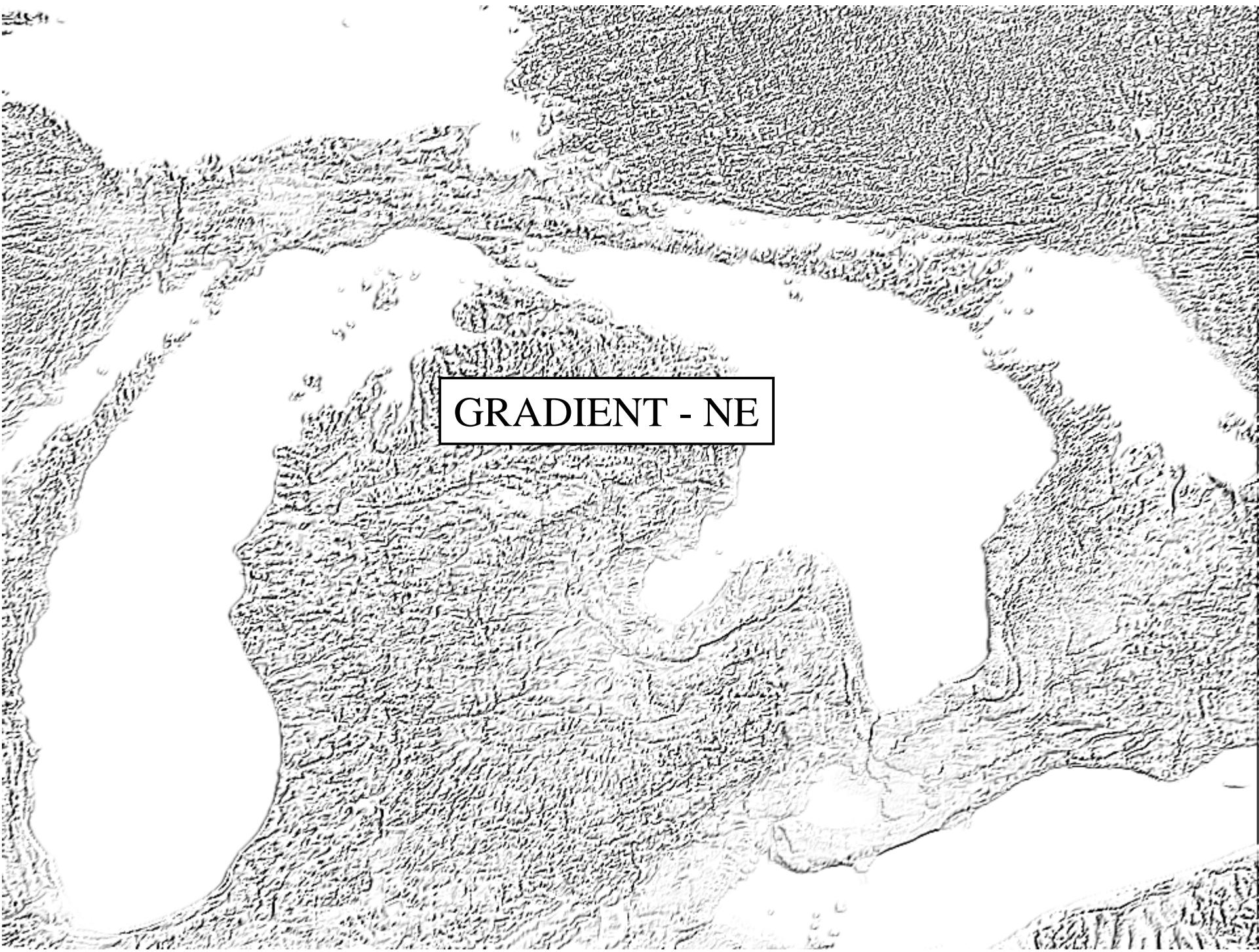




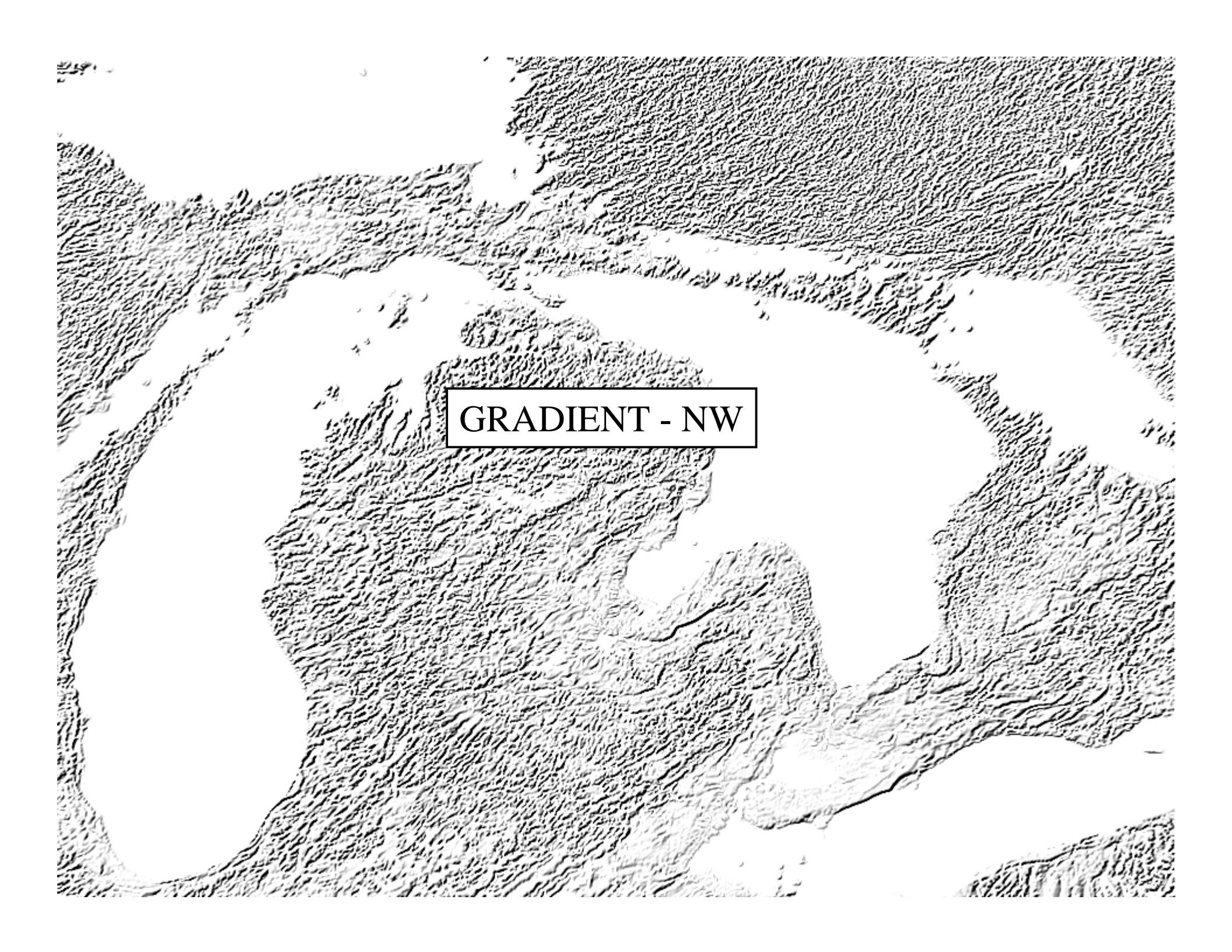
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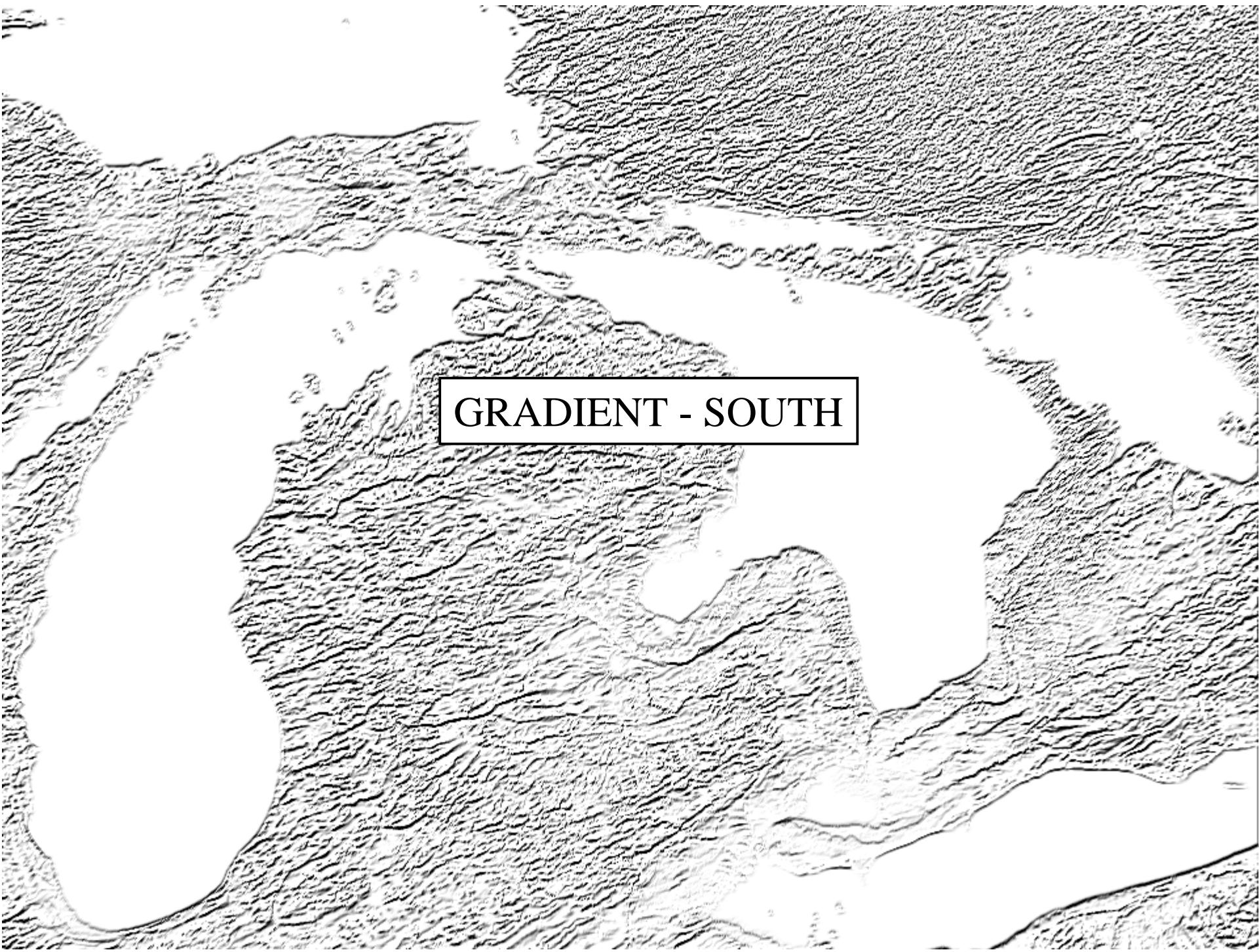
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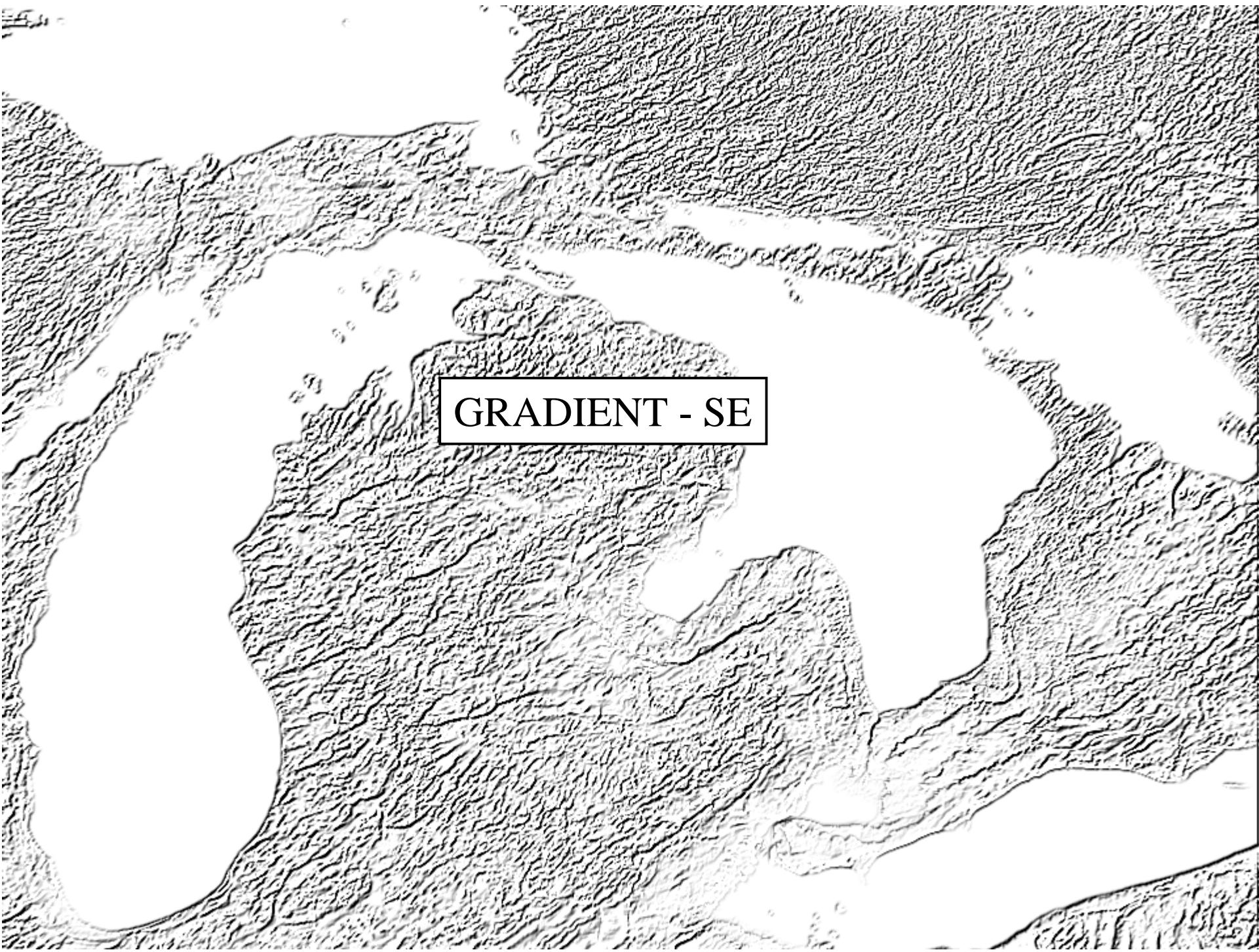
**GRADIENT - NE**



GRADIENT - NW



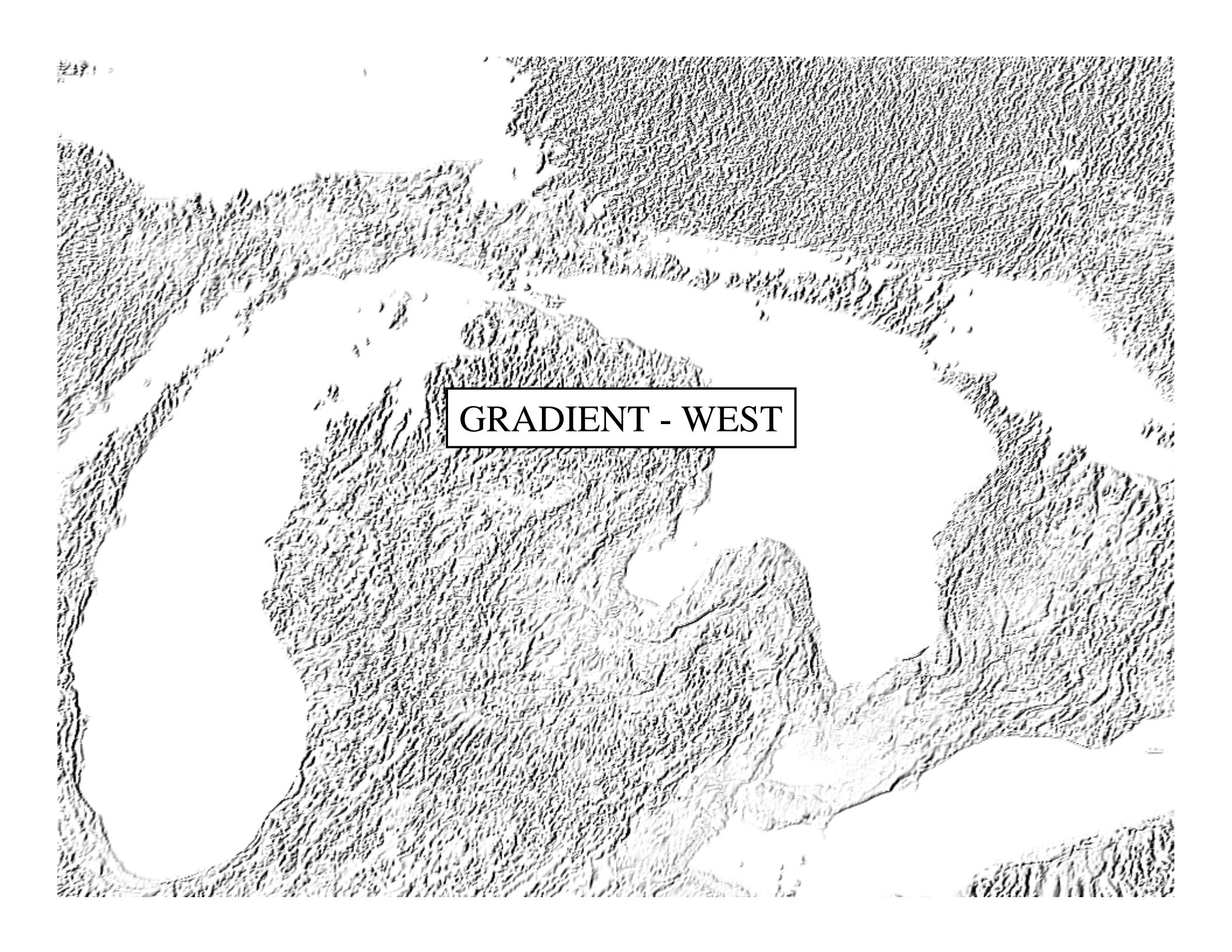
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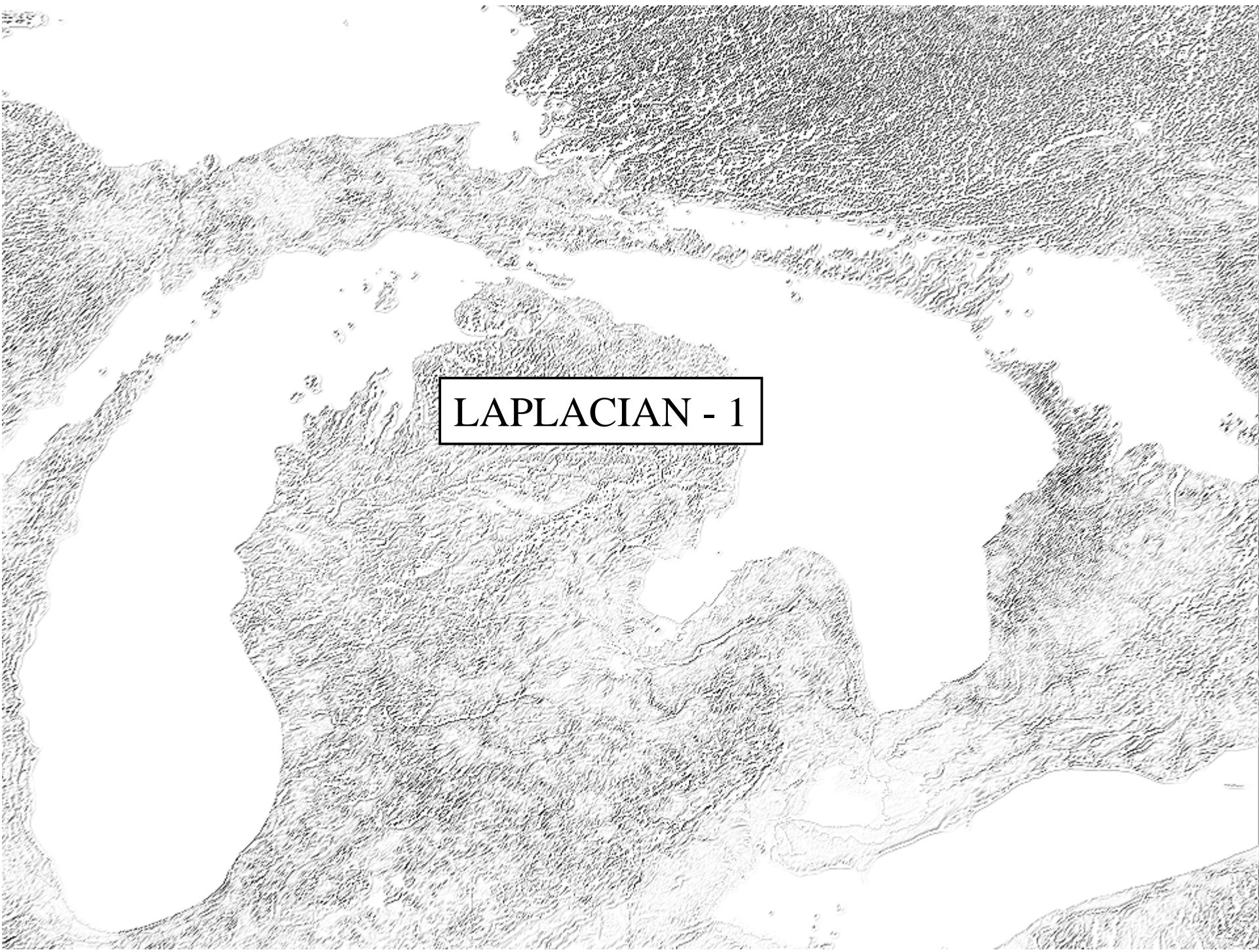
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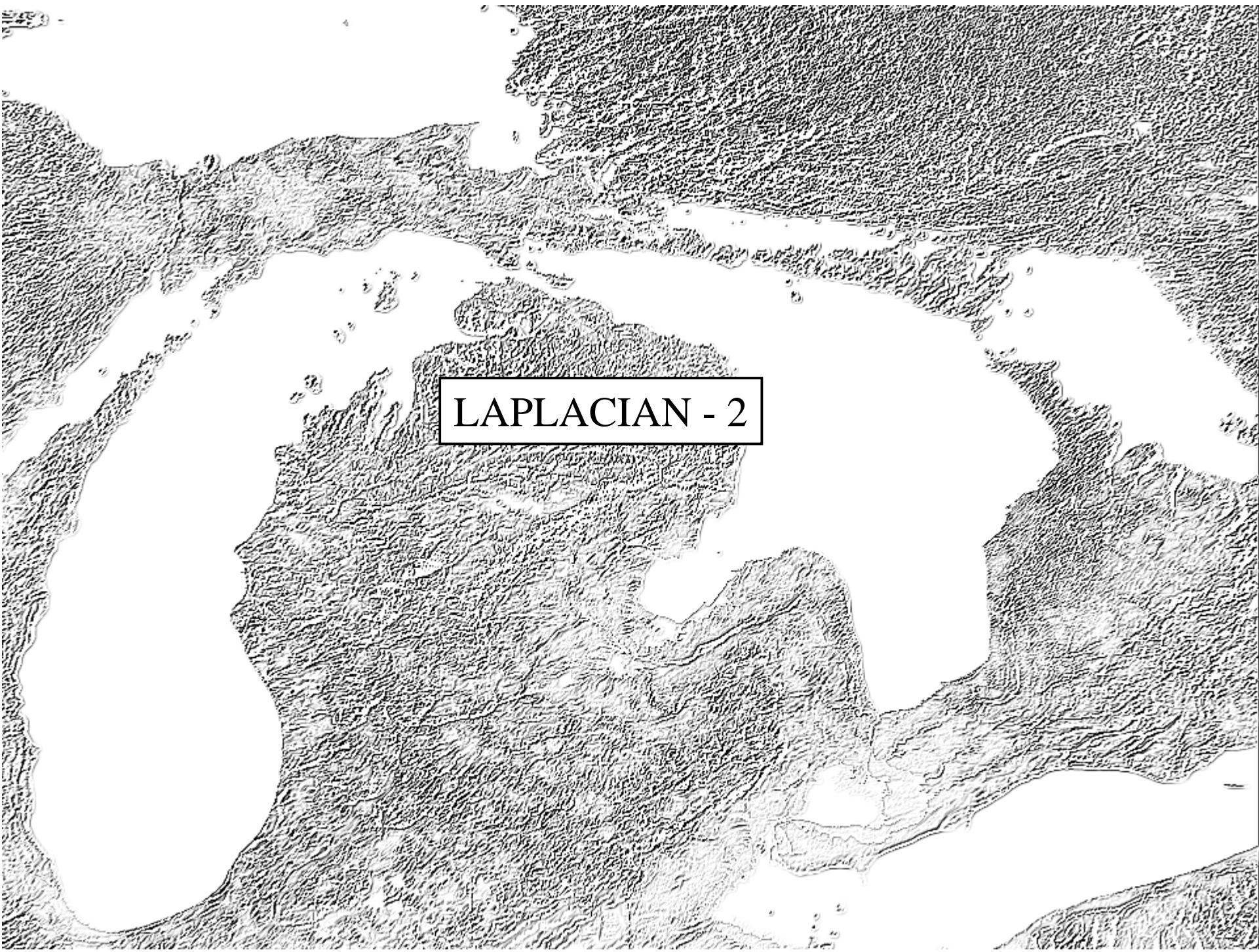
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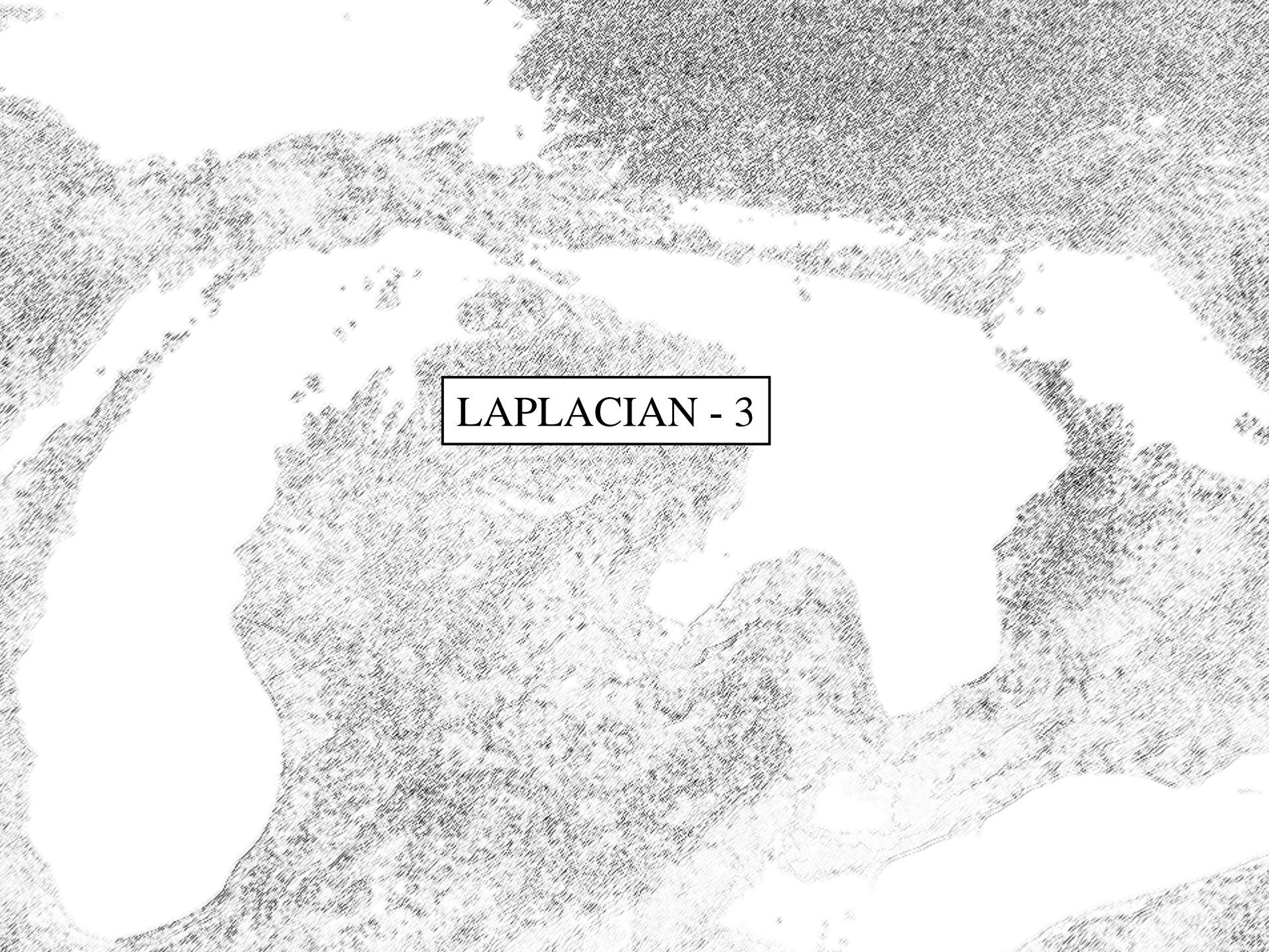
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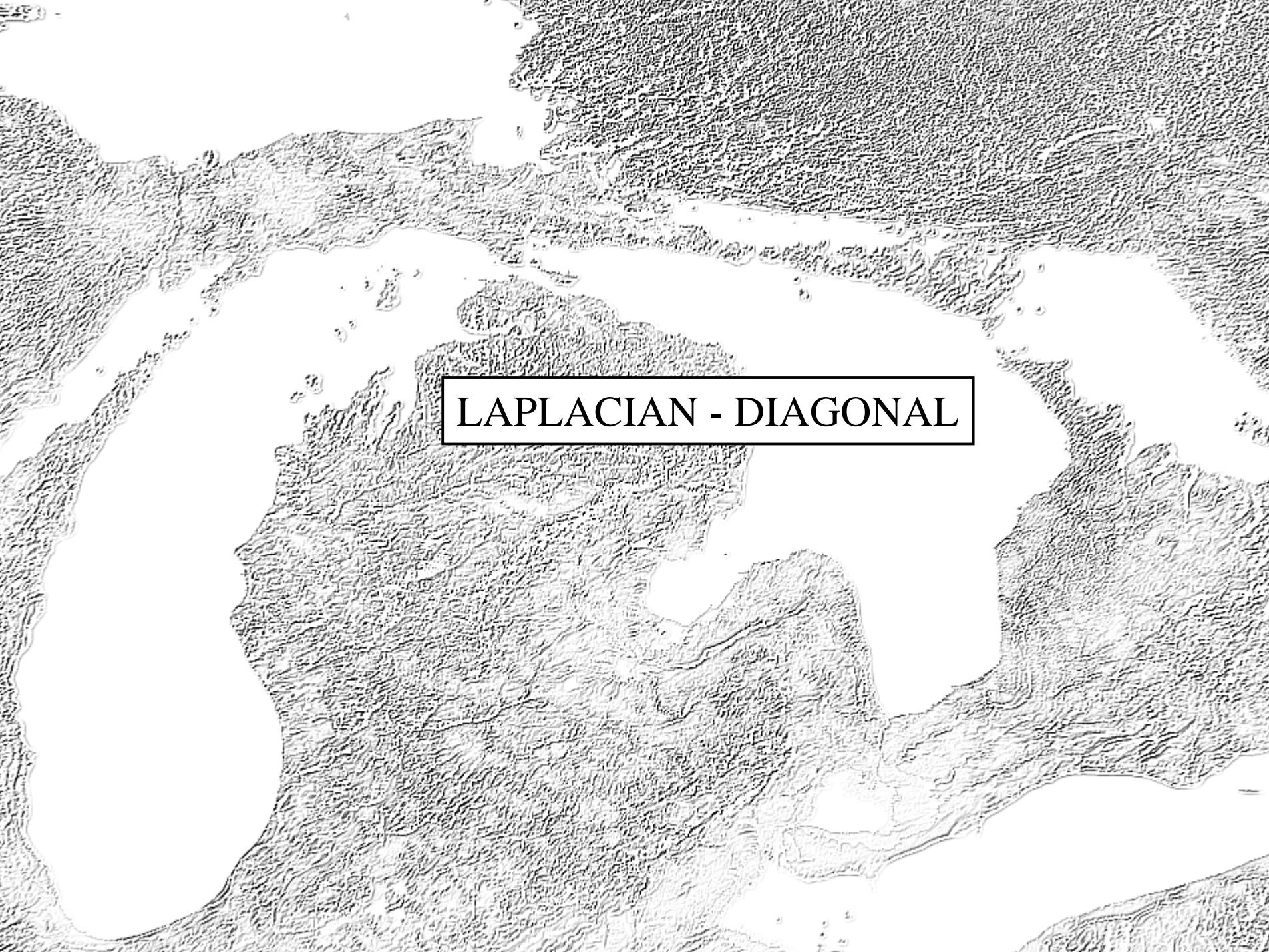
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LAPLACIAN - 2



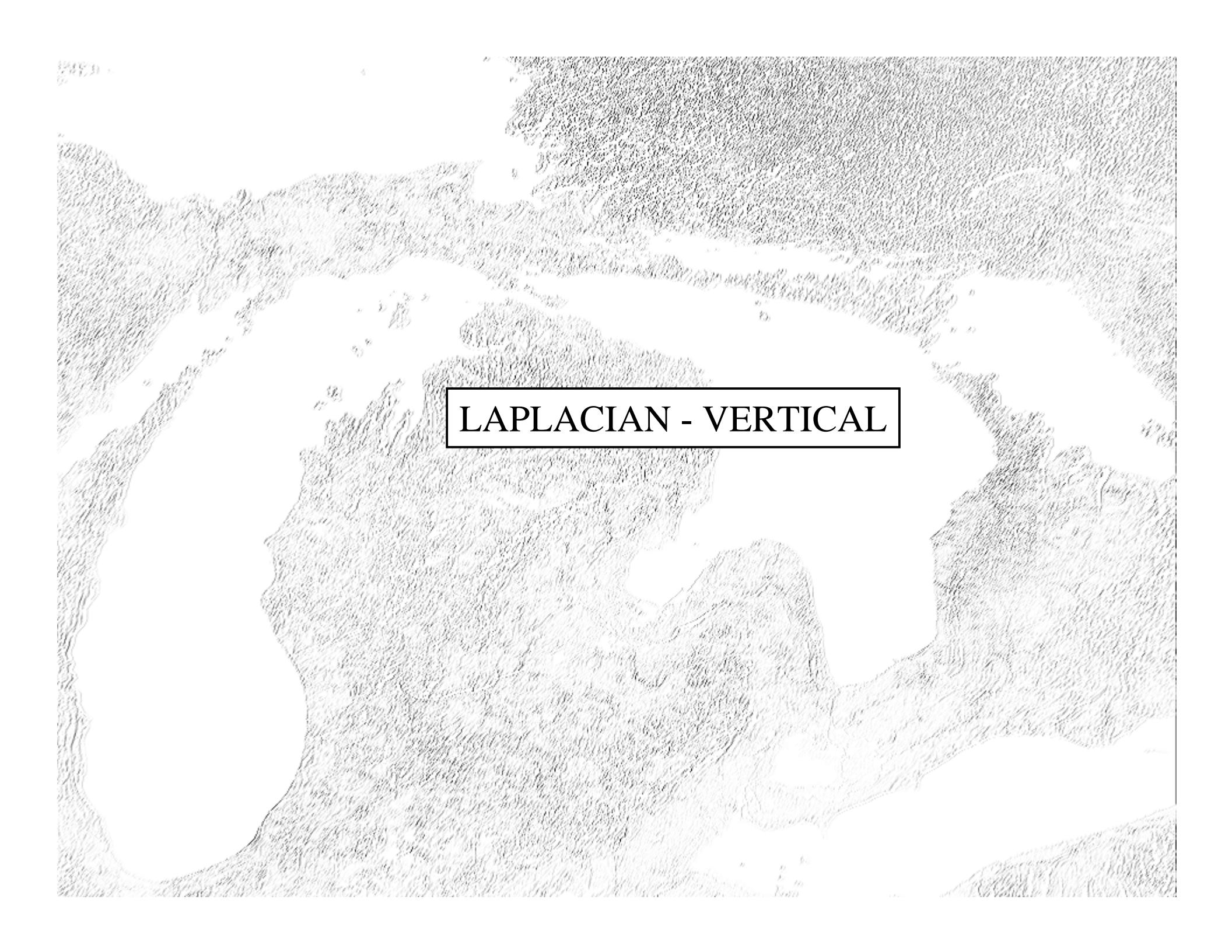
LAPLACIAN - 3



LAPLACIAN - DIAGONAL



**LAPLACIAN - HORIZONTAL**



**LAPLACIAN - VERTICAL**

## **BENEFITS & VALUE**

- ATLAS GIS program and associated database offer convenient, rapid access to 100 years of historical data in Michigan Basin in raster format integrated with transfer of that data to a digital format.
- Benefits to both industry and researchers

# **PROBLEMS**

- Large amount of paper copy (driller's reports) remains to be scanned and integrated into ATLAS.
- Quality of DEM files varies from excellent to poor. Poor images (~20% in Michigan) will have to be redone (by USGS or their contractors).

# Summary and Conclusions. I

- DEM data shows that numerous lineations exist at the surface of the Michigan Basin
- Lineations have different origins and must be classified.
- Correlation between surface and subsurface lineations is uncertain, but promising

# Summary and Conclusions. II

- ATLAS GIS program & associated Michigan Basin database ready for distribution.
- Program can be linked to other databases for other basins.
- Current project will be extended to include portions of Michigan Basin outside Michigan.
- Work will continue on developing DEM files for subsurface based on well data.