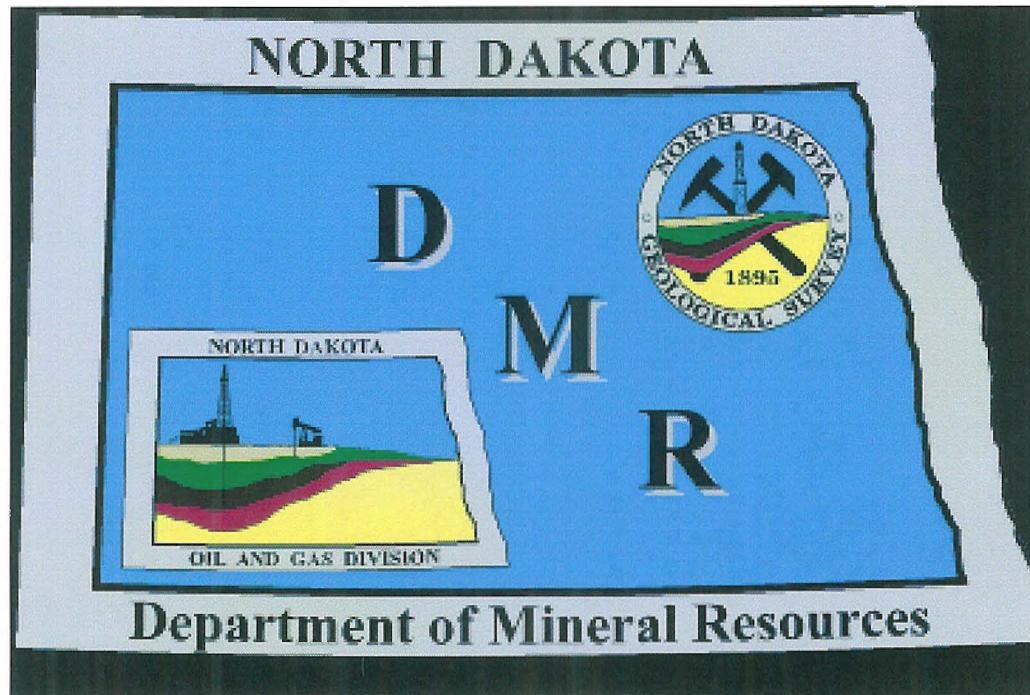


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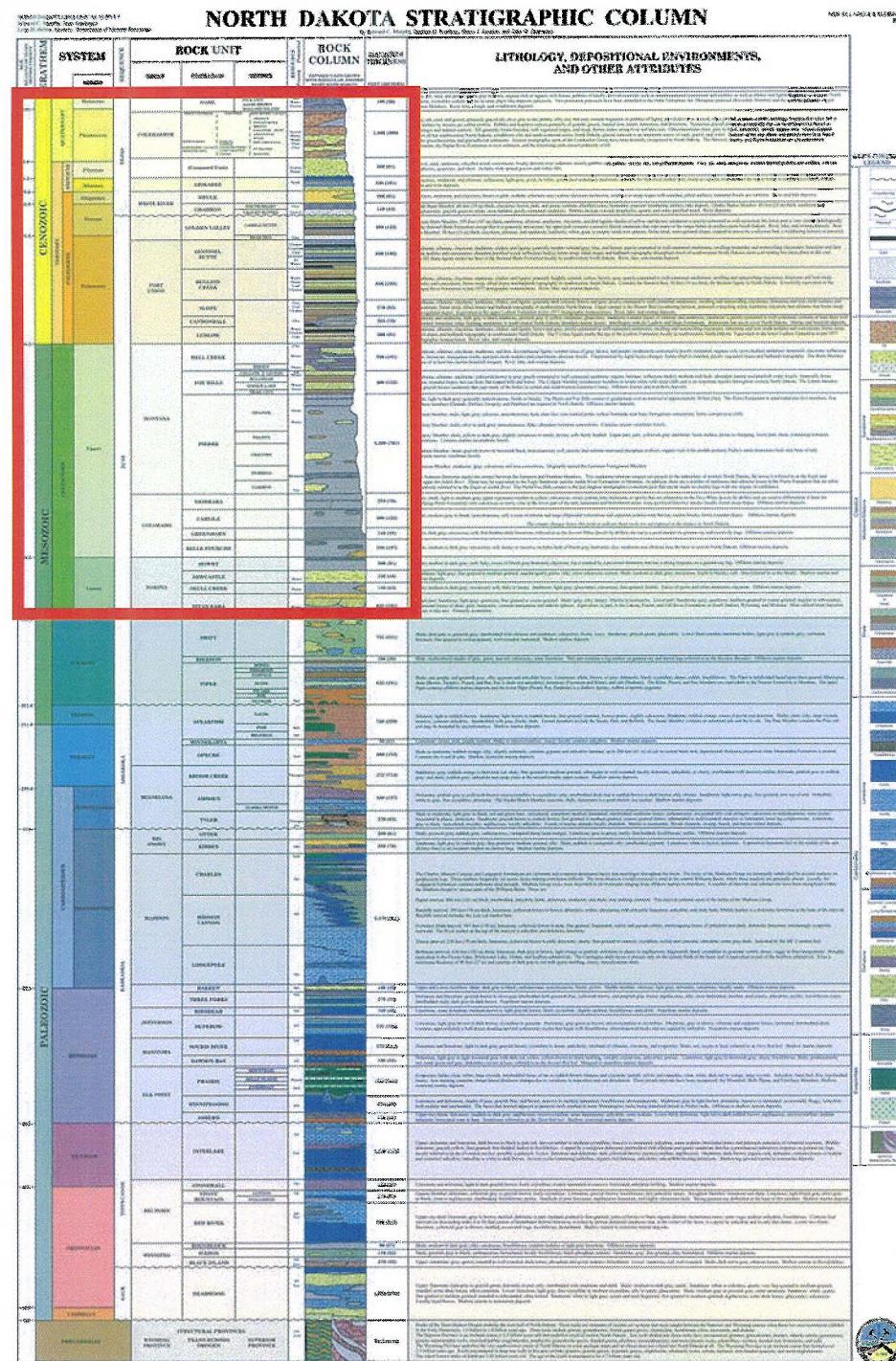


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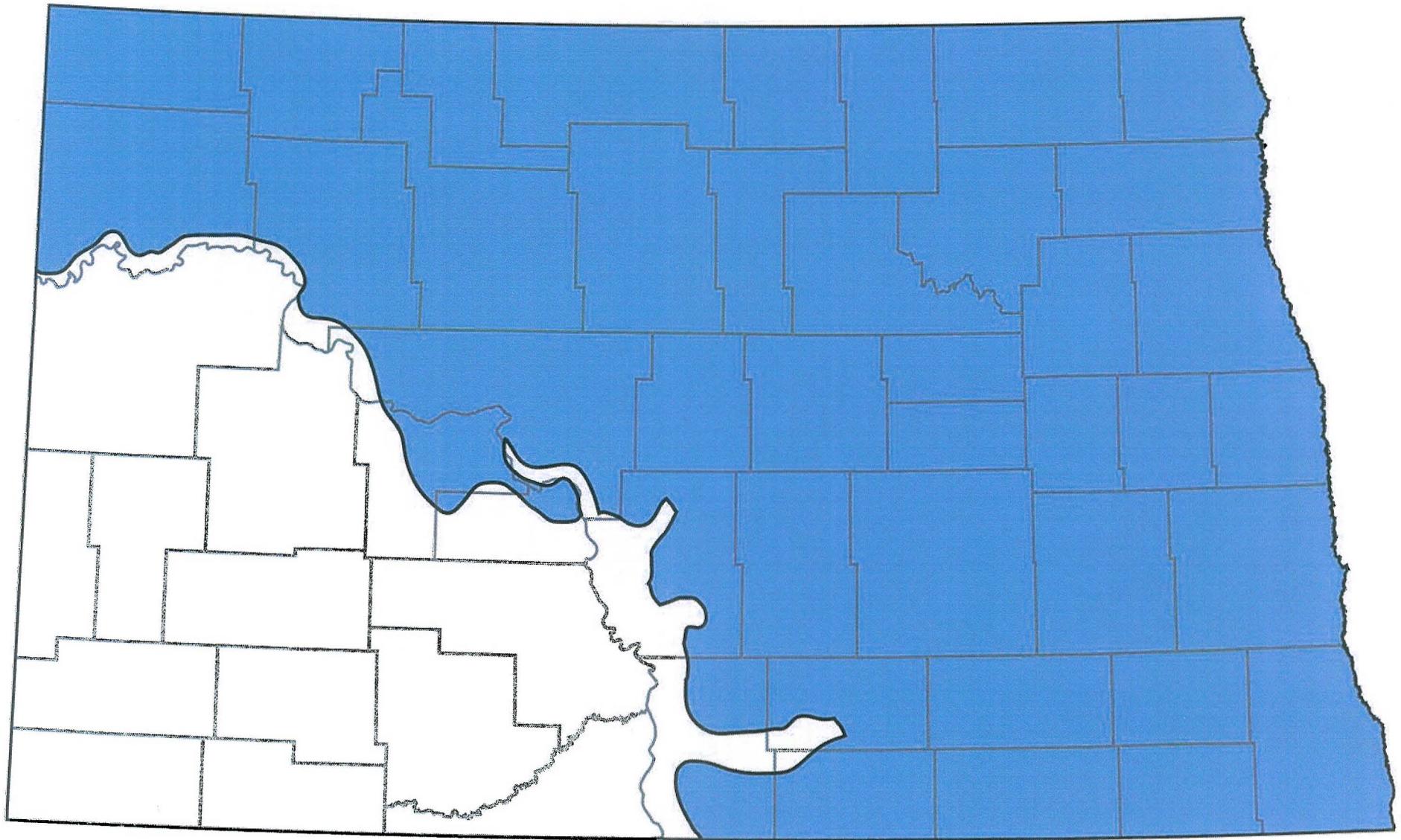
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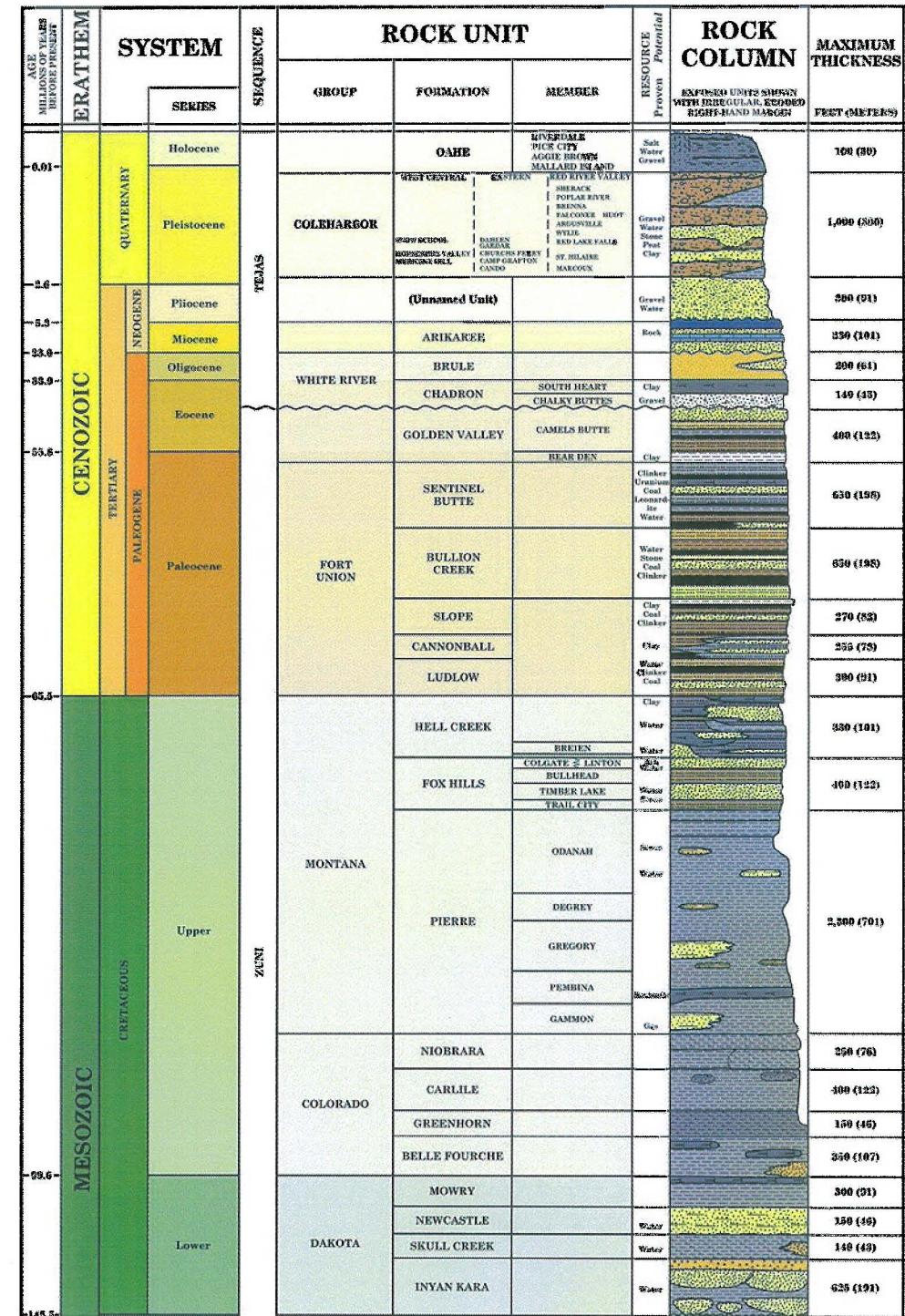
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AGE MILLIONS OF YEARS BEFORE PRESENT	ERATHEM	SYSTEM	SEQUENCE	ROCK UNIT			RESOURCE Proven Potential	ROCK COLUMN	MAXIMUM THICKNESS
				GROUP	FORMATION	MEMBER			
SERIES			YEARS						FEET (METERS)
-0.01-	CENOZOIC	Holocene		OAHU	EDEN VALLEY PICK CITY AGGIE BROWN MALLARD ISLAND		Sediment Gravel Sand Peat Clay	Gravel Water Sand Peat Clay	100 (30)
2.6	TERtiARY	Pleistocene	COLEHARBOUR	WEST CENTRAL	EDEN VALLEY POPLAR RIVER BRUNA FALCONER HUT JANESVILLE WYLER RED LANDFILLS		Gravel Water Sand Peat Clay	1,000 (300)	
5.3	NEOGENE	Pliocene		(Unnamed Unit)			Gravel Water		300 (91)
83.0	Miocene		ARIKAREE				Brick		350 (101)
33.9	Oligocene		WHITE RIVER	BRULE			Clay		200 (61)
55.6	Eocene		CHADRON	SOUTH HEART CHALKY BUTTES			Gasoil		140 (43)
65.5	Paleogene	Paleocene	GOLDEN VALLEY	CAMEL'S BUTTE			Clay		400 (123)
				BEAR DEN			Clay		650 (198)
			FORT UNION	SENTINEL BUTTE			Clinker Coal Leonard Ice Water		650 (198)
				BULLION CREEK			Water Sand Coal Clinker		270 (83)
				SLOPE			Clay Coal Clay		250 (75)
				CANNONBALL			Water Clay Coal		300 (91)
				LUDLOW			Clay		350 (101)
			HELL CREEK				Clay Water		400 (122)
			FOX HILLS	BREIEN COLGATE & LINTON BULLHEAD TIMBER LAKE TRAIL CITY			Water Ash Water Stone Water		2,500 (750)
			MONTANA	ODANAH			Sand Water		250 (76)
			PIERRE	DEGREY			Water		400 (123)
				GREGORY			Water		150 (46)
				PEMBINA			Water		350 (107)
				GAMMON			Gas		300 (91)
			COLORADO	NIOBRARA			Water		140 (43)
				CARLILE			Water		150 (46)
				GREENHORN			Water		250 (76)
				BELLE FOURCHE			Water		625 (191)
			DAKOTA	MOWRY			Water		300 (91)
				NEWCASTLE			Water		150 (46)
				SKULL CREEK			Water		250 (76)
				INYAN KARA			Water		150 (46)

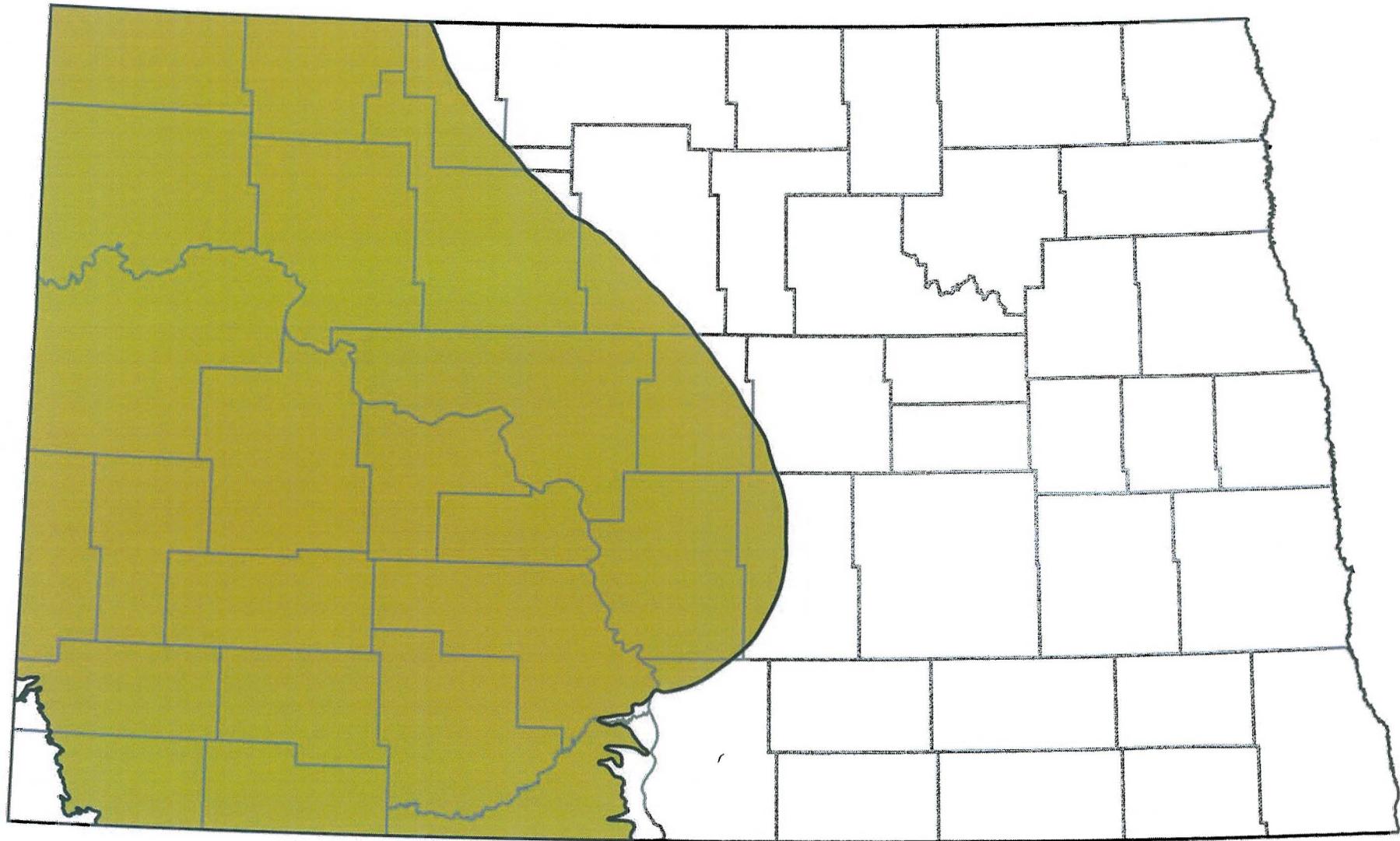
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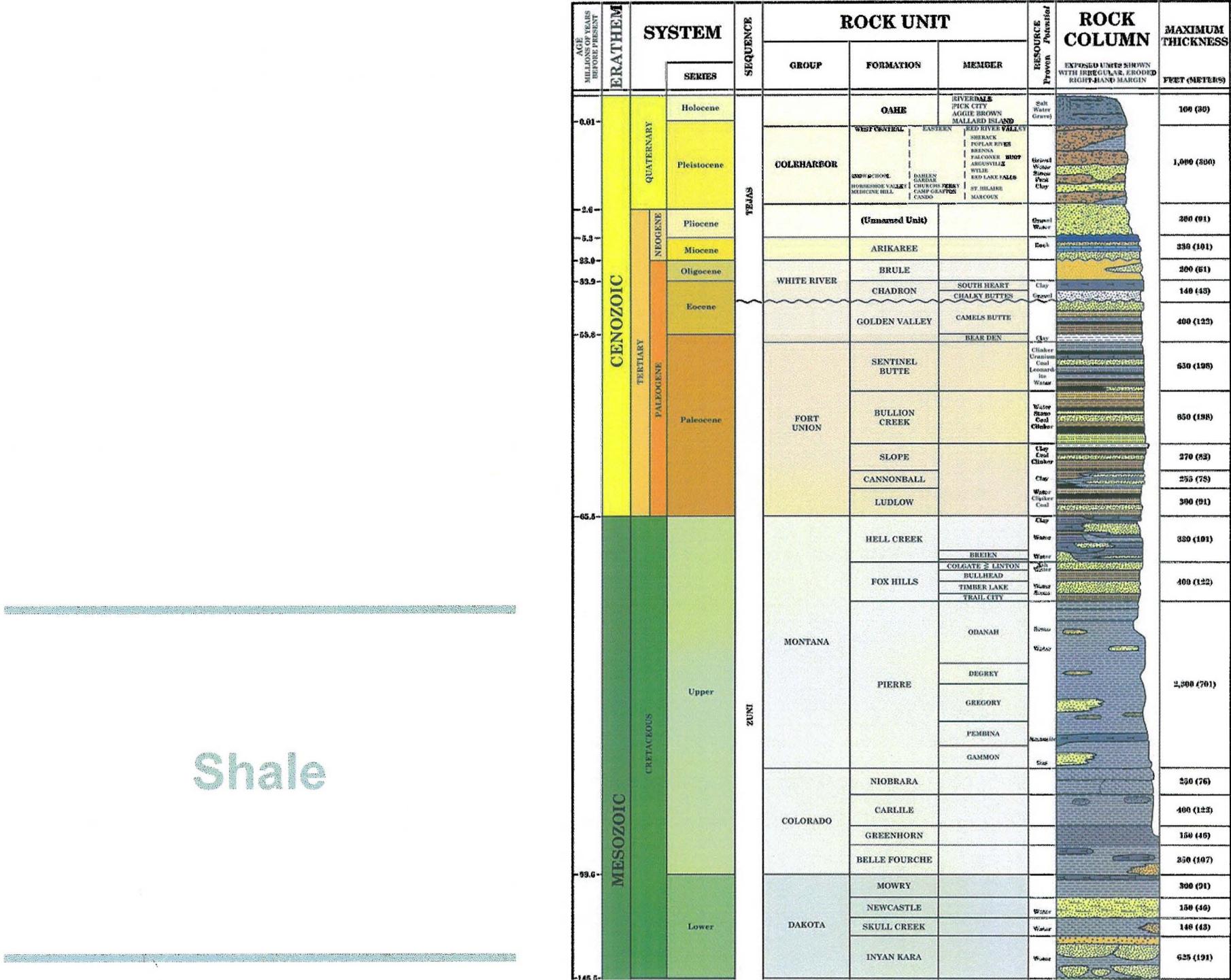
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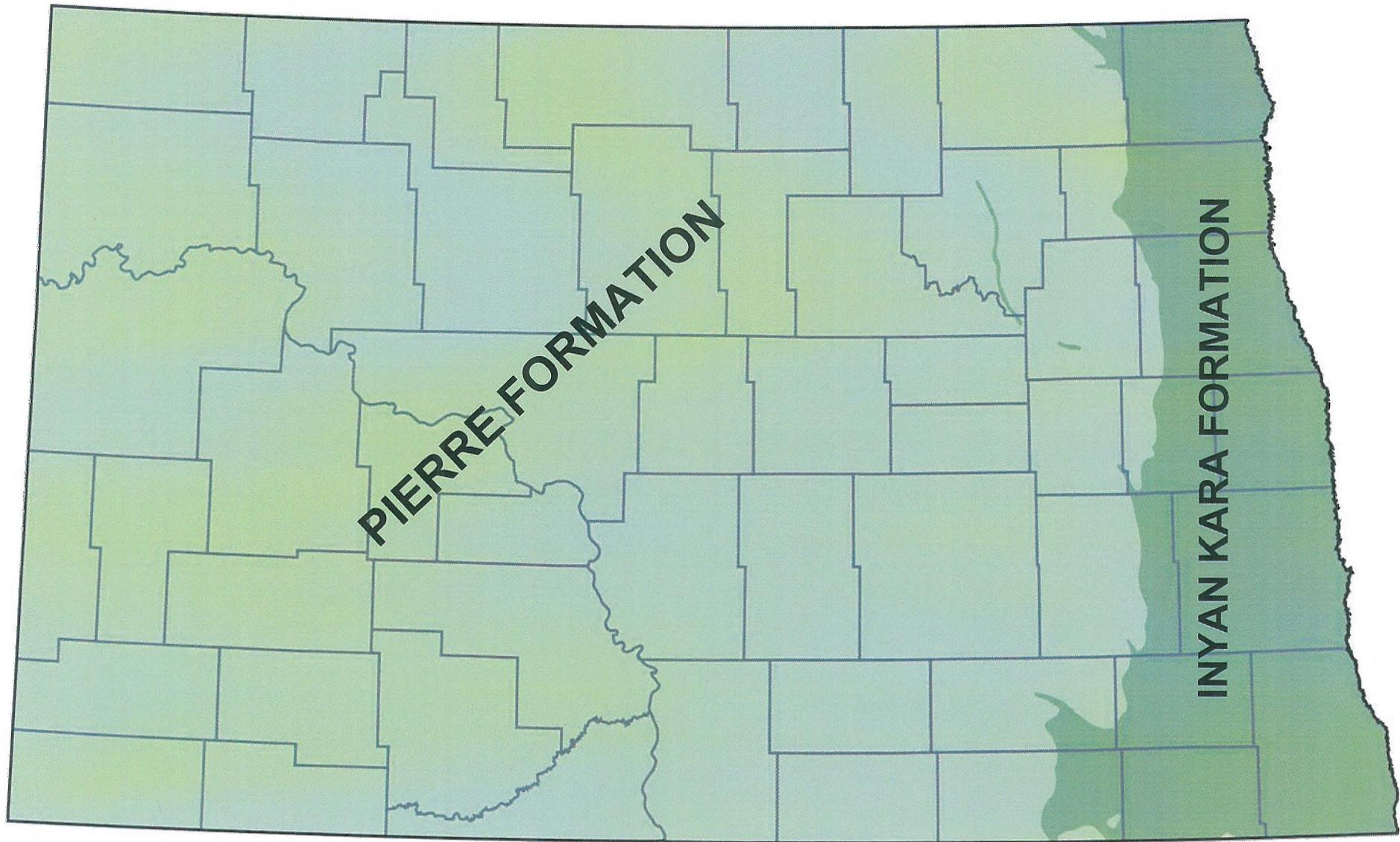
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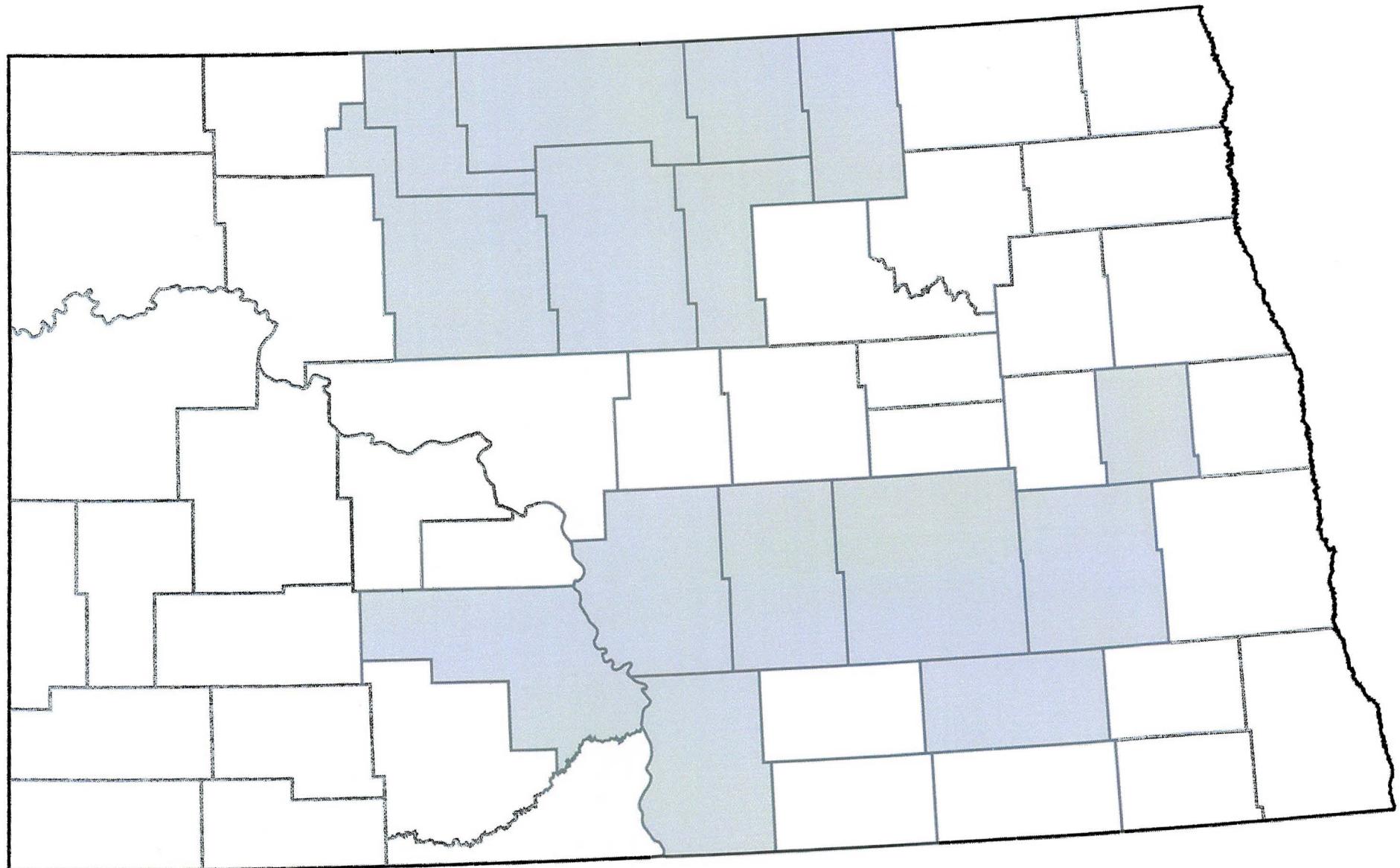
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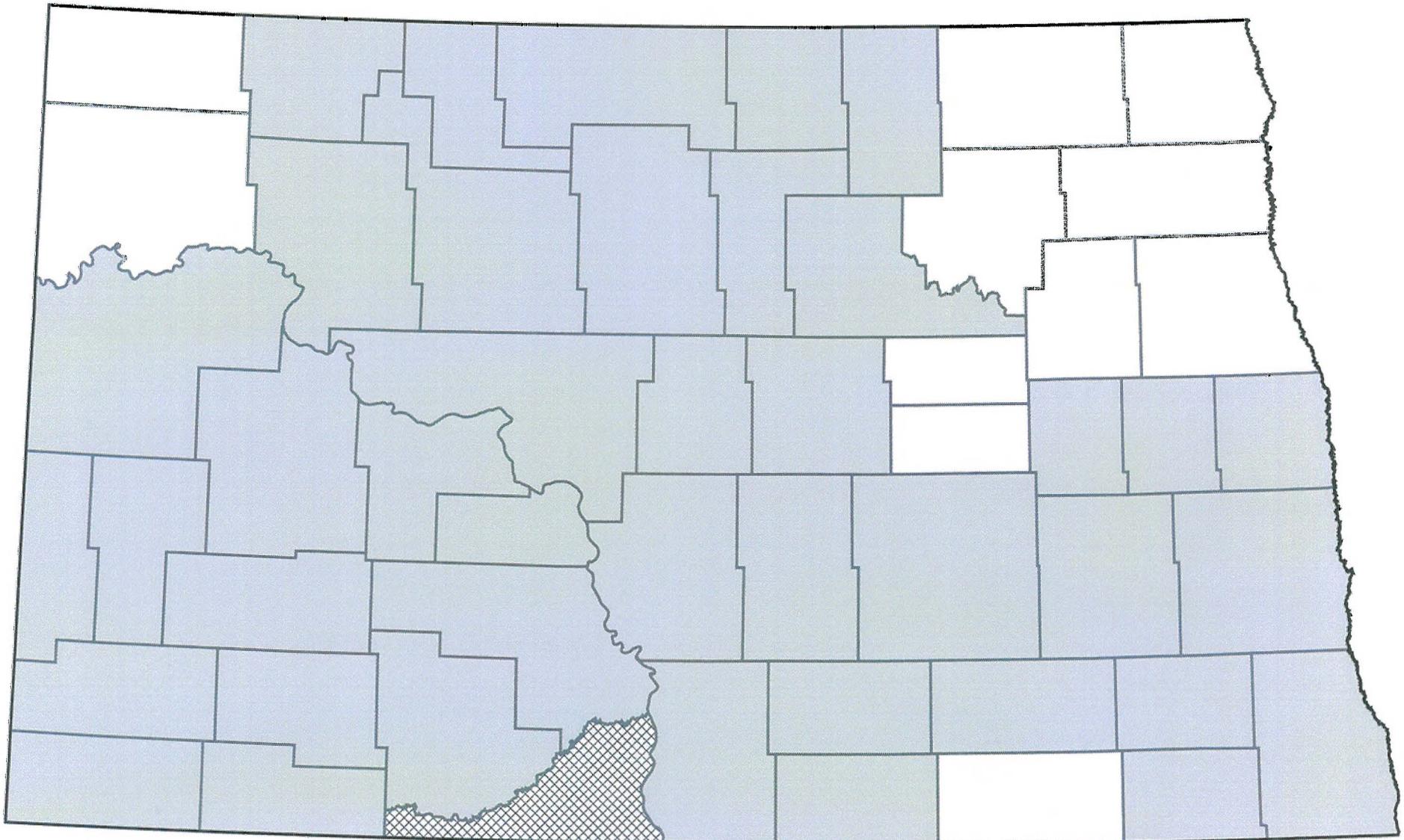


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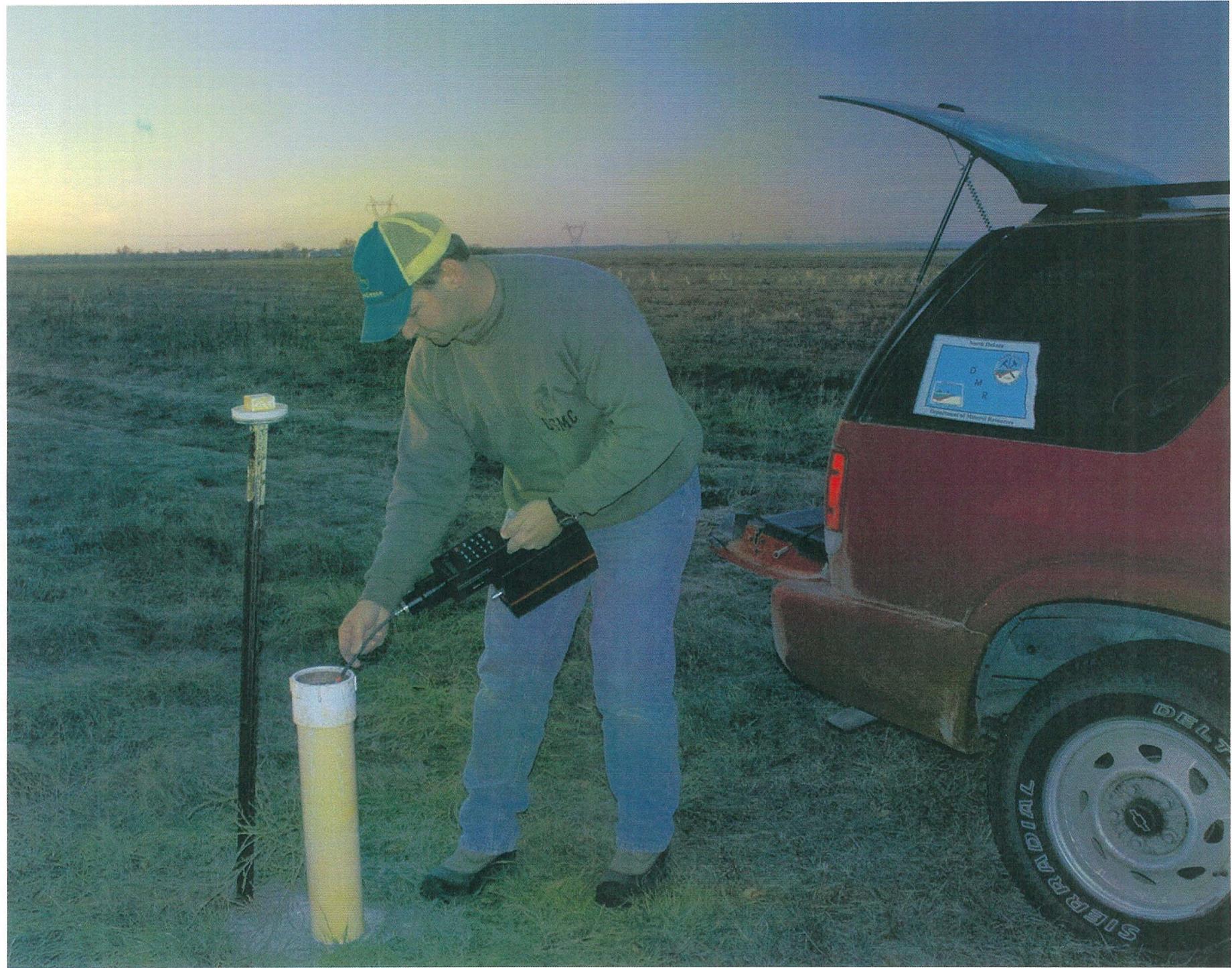
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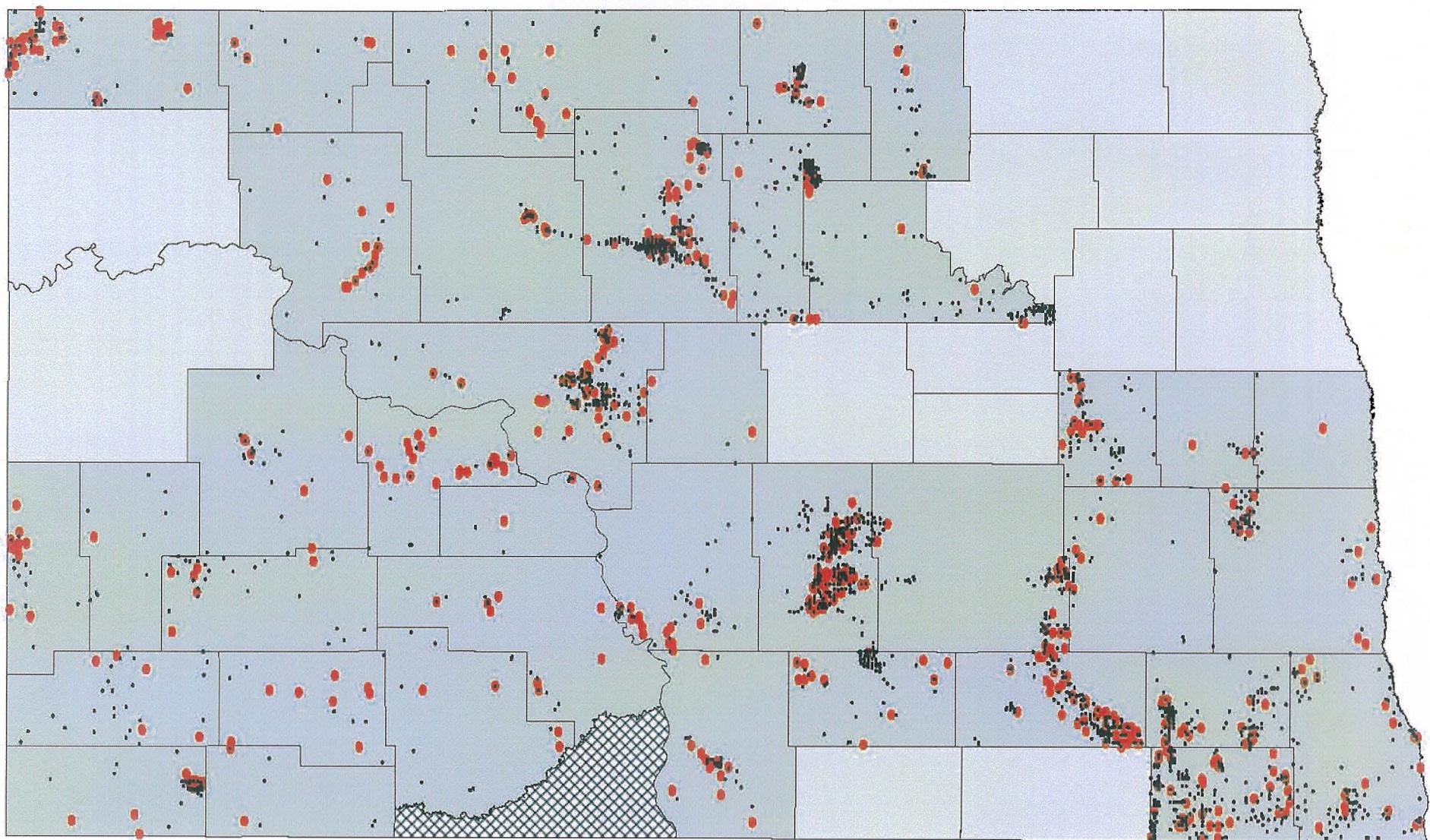


SHALLOW GAS STUDY

- We have investigated 5,238 well sites
- We found 2,628 monitoring wells
535 of those wells had a positive response for methane.

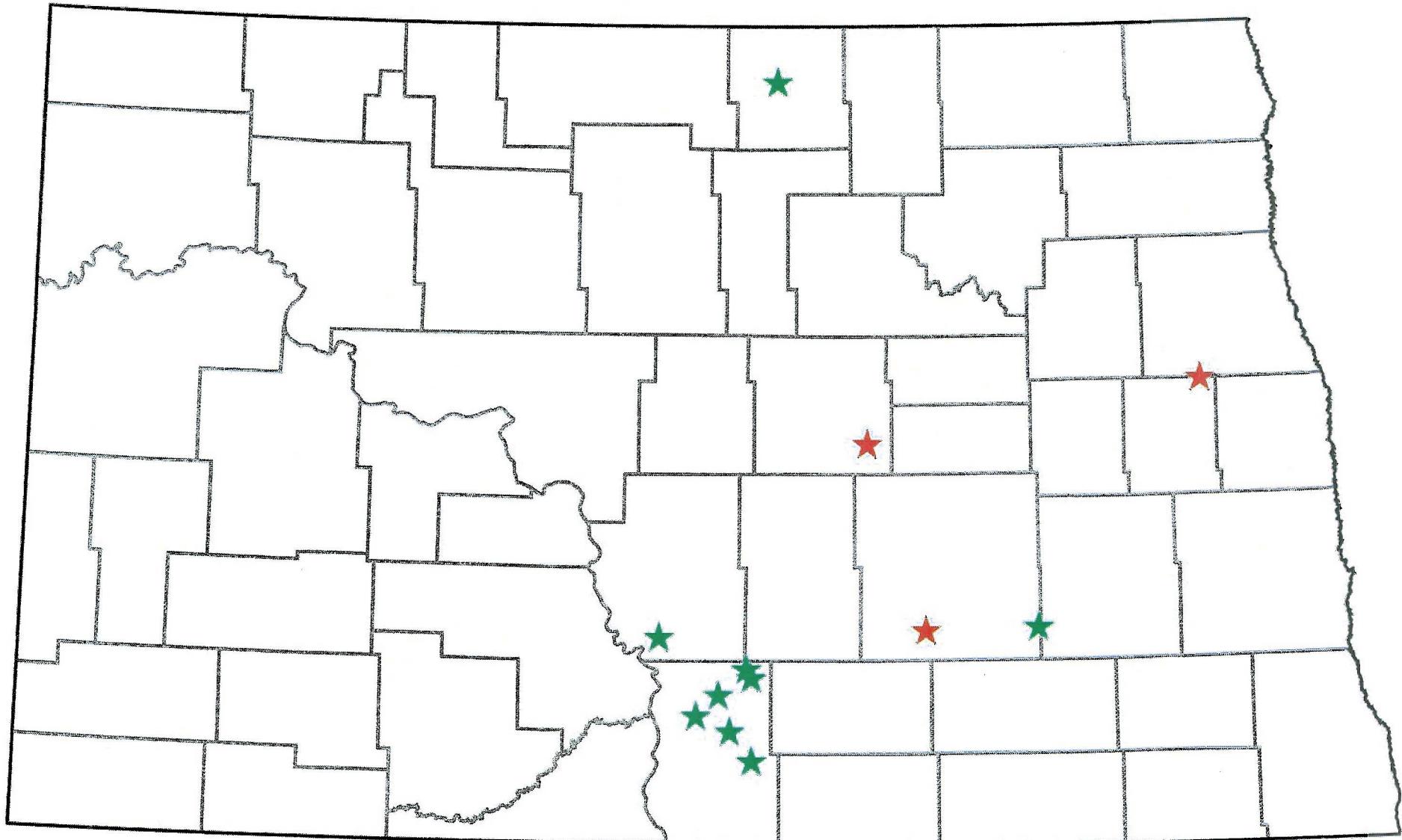


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- Monitoring Wells -- no methane
- Monitoring Wells -- methane

SHALLOW GAS WELLS DRILLED IN NORTH DAKOTA EAST OF THE MISSOURI RIVER



Wells drilled prior to July 2003

Wells drilled after July 2003





Gas flair from sandstone at a depth of 250 feet near Mohall in the early 1920s.