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#### **ABSTRACT**

Lands in the California Desert Conservation Area (CDCA)\* were classified according to their potential for geology - energy - mineral (G - E - M) resources using geostatistical techniques and an expert panel. The CDCA comprises over 100,000 square kilometers in southeastern California. All available reports of G-E-M occurrences in the CDCA were collected. Data on the 3,146 occurrences include location, commodity, name and, in some cases, geologic environment and production history. Forty geological variables represented on the Geologic Map of California; one geophysical variable (Bouguer gravity) and 20 lineament variables from each of four sources (LANDSAT imagery, Bouguer gravity contours, and aerial and Skylab photography) were recorded on a cell - by - cell basis over the entire CDCA. Data were encoded in numerical form for 26,810 cells (each 2 km by 2 km square). Three tonal anomaly variables and 30 geochemical variables were also recorded on a cell-by-cell basis for subareas of the CDCA where these data are available. Data recorded in this fashion, plus the data on G - E - M occurrences, served as the basis for statistically classifying cells according to likelihood of mineral occurrence. Cells so classified are 4 km by 4 km (an aggregate of four of the smaller 2 km x 2 km cells). Gamma-ray spectrometric (bismuth, thallium, potassium, bismuth to thallium ratio) and aeromagnetic data were also recorded on a cell - by - cell basis for use by the expert panel. Discriminant function analysis (DFA) is the statistical method used to classify the cells. The cells of the CDCA are classified with respect to the potential for gold deposits; iron deposits; manganese deposits; tungsten deposits; combined copper, zinc, lead, and silver deposits; and combined metals deposits. Occurrence data on over 40 other mineral commodities including sand and gravel, limestone, carbon dioxide, and geothermal fluid, were tabulated. Results are presented in tabular form and in map form. The maps show contours of mineral potential for each of the five commodity categories classified.

In a separate but closely related project conducted by TERRADATA, a panel of geoscientists with experience in the CDCA classified the lands of the CDCA for potential of the following: metals, saline minerals, uranium and industrial minerals. The panel utilized the data and information collected for the geostatistical classification plus data from other sources. A separate report on the panel classification was prepared, but is not included here. It is Classification of the California Desert for Geology - Energy - Mineral Resource Potential, Expert Panel Classification, TERRADATA, July 1979.

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#### I. INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY

Section 601 of Public Law 94 - 579, the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, charges the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) with the preparation of a plan for the multiple - use management of the California Desert Conservation Area (CDCA). This area is approximately 105,000 square kilometers (km²) in southeasten California. Of this area some 76 percent is National Public Land managed by several government agencies. Slightly less than half of the total CDCA (48 percent) is managed by the BLM. The boundaries of the CDCA are shown in Figure 1. Its resources were inventoried to generate a multiple - resource database which BLM utilized to develop recommended land uses. Geology, energy and mineral (G - E - M) resources together form one of several groups of resources which were inventoried.

Data on G-E-M resources available at the time (1977) were not satisfactory for making recommendations on the potential for G-E-M resources on lands managed by BLM. For this reason a multi-method, integrated, systematic program for the inventory, analysis and classification of the G-E-M resources in the CDCA was developed. A separate technical report on the G-E-M Resources Inventory, Analysis and Classification Program will be published. This report presents the results of the Geostatistical Classification which was one of several methods used and integrated in the overall G-E-M resources program.

This report is the result of a two-year effort (1977 - 1979) by TERRADATA of data gathering and analysis coordinated by the G - E - M Resources Team of the BLM's Desert Plan Staff. This classification takes into account the results of all previous work conducted or sponsored by the G-E-M Resources Team. Two approaches to classification were applied. The first involved a systematic compilation of all the G-E-M related studies performed on the CDCA followed by an objective statistical classification. The second was more subjective in nature and involved classification of lands by a panel of experts, all with experience in the CDCA, but with different areas of The panel had access to all information compiled in the statistical classification process. The final results of both approaches consist of maps of the CDCA showing classification of land according to G-E-M resources potential. The maps are accompanied by reports. The panel effort is summarized in a separate report entitled A Classification of the California Desert for Geology-Energy-Mineral Resource Expert Panel Classification. Members of the panel of experts provided comments on this report through their panel work. They are:

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There are two major approaches to the statistical classification of mineral potential, both of which should be applied (Figure 2). The first is to classify all lands with known occurrences of minerals as areas of high potential. The second is to seek statistical relationships between geologic features (i.e., geologic, geophysical, geochemical, lineament and other features) of areas and mineral potential; and, if a relationship exists, to classify land using that relationship.

This report is a summary of the results of the geostatistical classification. More detailed information is provided in four appendices:

- Appendix A: Geology Energy Mineral Resource Occurrences in the CDCA;
- o Appendix B: Geological, Geophysical, Geochemical, Tonal Anomaly and Lineament Data for the CDCA;
- o Appendix C: Geostatistical Analysis; and
- o Appendix D: Definition of Statistical Terms.

In addition to this report, all other maps, other reports and the magnetic tapes containing all data compiled for this project, are listed in Table 8.

The reports and maps listed in Table 8 are not published, but are available for study either in the library of the Bureau of Land Management office in Sacramento, California or at the Bureau of Land Management California Desert District office in Riverside, California.

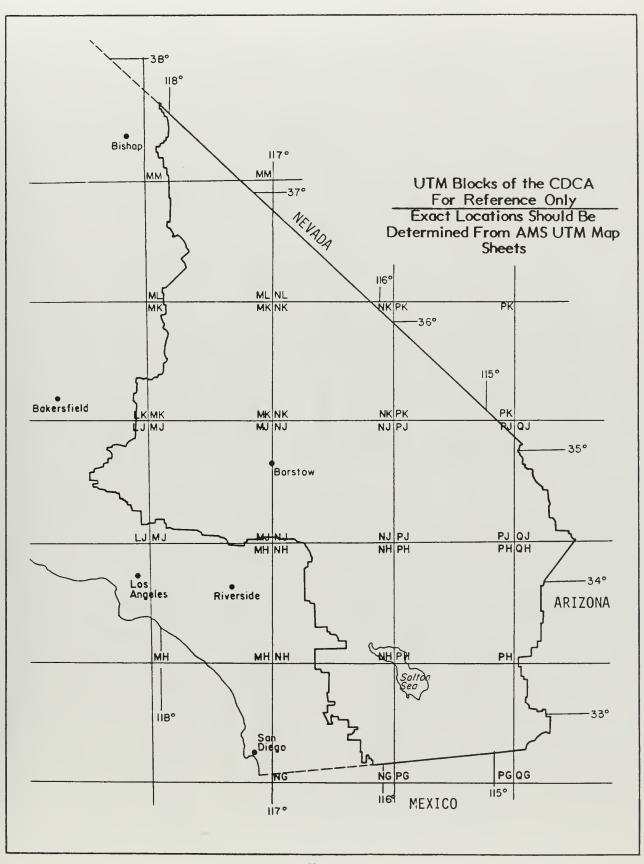


Figure 1
Map Of The CDCA Showing UTM Blocks

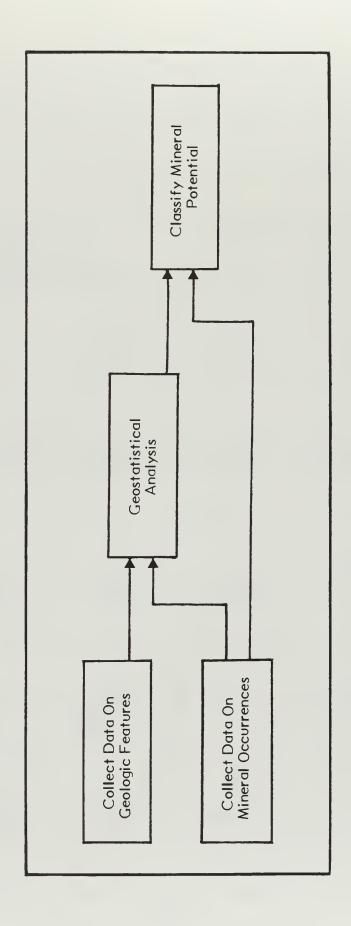


Figure 2
Flowchart Of Classification Procedure

#### 2. DATA COMPILATION

The mineral potential of the CDCA was classified on an area-by-area basis. To accomplish this, the CDCA was divided into cells 4 kilometers by 4 kilometers (km) in size using the Universal Transverse Mercator (UTM) coordinate system. This system is discussed in detail in Appendix B.

Two types of data were compiled as follows:

- All known and reported occurrences of G-E-M resources in the CDCA were compiled. A total of 3,146 occurrences of 47 G-E-M resources were identified. These occurrences are summarized in Table 1. Appendix A presents details on occurrence data.
- 2. Forty geologic variables represented on the Geologic Map of California; one geophysical variable (Bouquer gravity) and 20 lineament variables from each of four sources (LANDSAT imagery, Bouguer gravity contours and aerial and Skylab photography) were recorded on a cell - by - cell basis over the entire CDCA; i.e., data were encoded in numerical form for 26,810 cells (2 km by 2 km square). Three tonal anomaly variables, 30 geochemical variables, four gamma - ray spectrometric variables and aeromagnetic values were also recorded on a 4-km by 4-km cell basis. For reference purposes, each variable is assigned a number. These data are summarized in Tables 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7. Appendix B presents details on these data. As discussed in Appendix B, the tonal gamma - ray spectrometric, aeromagnetic, geochemical data were available only for selected portions of the CDCA.

This database thus compiled provides the following:

- The data, when mapped or listed systematically, provide useful information for land use planning decisions.
- The data form the basis for statistically classifying lands with respect to the potential for occurrence of certain mineral resources.
- The data can be used for expert panel classification.

A summary list of the maps provided by TERRADATA is given in Table 8.

### Table 1

### Mineral Occurrences In The CDCA<sup>a</sup> By Commodity And Production Category

		Production Cotegory <sup>b</sup>					
Commodity	Symbol	0	I	2	3	4	Total All Categories
Metols Antimony Copper Gold Iron Lead Manganese Mercury Nickel Molybdenum Rare earths Silver Tin Titanium Thorium Tungsten Uranium Vanodium	SC A Fe Pb n Hg; oRE A Sn I Th W U Va	3 86 166 29 69 26 5 1 0 0 30 115	5 146 400 27 87 49 3 2 1 7 47 1 1 1 70 15	8 80 172 19 46 21 1 0 21 0 22 0 0 45 14 0	0 12 46 1 16 3 0 0 0 0 2 0 0 0 0	0 0 22 0 5 3 0 0 0 1 4 0 0 0 3	16 324 806 75 223 102 9 3 3 13 80 2 1
Non-Metals Asbestos Barium Clay Dimension stone Feldspar Fluorspar Gemstones Limestone Magnesite Mica Roofing gronules Sand ond gravel Silica Sulfur Talc Volcanic cinders Wollastonite Miscellaneous	As Ba CI Ds Fd FI Gs Ls Mg Mi RG SG Si S Tc VC Ws Ms	3 10 13 7 8 6 22 84 1 3 0 100 10 10 24 29 1	0 7 28 9 4 9 13 47 9 3 1 20 1 2 20 18 1	1 6 25 18 4 3 24 6 9 305 10 2 11 18 1	0 0 5 0 0 0 4 0 0 0 17 1 0 0	0 0 2 0 0 0 0 3 0 0 0 27 1 0 7 0	4 23 73 34 16 18 38 162 14 12 10 469 23 5 74 65 3 6
Salines Borotes Calcium chloride Gypsum Magnesium salts Potassium salts Salt Sodium carbonote Sodium sulfate Strontium	B CC G MC KS NC SC SC SS Sr	35 	2 1 7 0 1 3 0 0 0	15 3 11 0 5 10 4 2 4	2 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	2 0 1 0 0 0 0 0	56 5 38 1 7 18 4 7 7 7
Total All Commodities 935 1,071 935 124 81  Wells Oil and gos (oll are dry holes) Carbon dioxide Geothermal					188 8 88		
Total Wells	Totol Wells					284	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Dato on hot springs (HS) is included in the doto base but has not been tobulated.

0 = Occurrence or claim
1 = Worked, but no production reported
2 = Small Producer (less than \$50,000)
3 = Moderate Producer (\$50,000 to \$500,000)

4 = Mojor Producer (over \$500,000)

## Table 2 Geological And Geophysical Variables For The CDCA

### Lithologic Units

Variable Number	Description	Areal Extent Within CDCA (km <sup>2</sup> )	% Of CDCA Area
1.	Precambrian granitic rocks Precambrian anorthosite Undivided Precambrian granitic rocks.	701	0.67
2.	Precambrian metamorphic rocks.  - Precambrian igneous and metamorphic rock complex.  - Earlier Precambrian metamorphic rocks.  - Later Precambrian sedimentary and metamorphic rocks.  - Undivided Precambrian metamorphic rocks.	5,542	5.28
3.	Cambrian and late Precambrian sedimentary rocks Cambrian and Precambrian marine Cambrian marine.	1,963	1.87
4.	Ordovician through Mississippian marine sedimentary rocks.  - Ordovician marine.  - Pre-Silurian metasedimentary rocks.  - Silurian marine.  - Devonian marine.  - Mississippian marine.  - Paleozoic marine.	2,318	2.21
5.	Pennsylvanian through Permian marine sedimentary rocks Pennsylvanian marine Undivided carboniferous marine Permian marine.	489	0.47
6.	Pre-Cretaceous metasedimentary rocks and pre-Cretaceous metamorphic rocks.	1,298	1.24
7.	Paleozoic and Precambrian metavolcanic rocks.  - Pre-Silurian metamorphic rocks.  - Pre-Silurian metavolcanic rocks.  - Devonian and pre-Devonian metavolcanic rocks.  - Devonian metavolcanic rocks.  - Carboniferous metavolcanic rocks.  - Permian metavolcanic rocks.  - Paleozoic metavolcanic rocks.	4	0.01

### Table 2

### Geological and Geophysical Variables For The CDCA Lithologic Units (Continued)

	(Commoed)		
8.	Triassic-Jurassic marine sediments.  - Triassic marine.  - Middle and/or Lower Jurassic marine.  - Upper Jurassic marine.  - Knoxville Formation.	28	0.03
9.	Pre-Cretaceous metavolcanic rocks (if age cannot be established other than pre-Cretaceous).  - Pre-Cretaceous metavolcanic rocks.  - Jura-Triassic metavolcanic rocks.	472	0.45
10.	Mesozoic basic intrusives.  - Mesozoic ultrabasic intrusive rocks.  - Mesozoic basic intrusive rocks.	277	0.26
11.	Mesozoic granitic intrusives and pre- Cenozoic granitic and metamorphic rocks.	14,431	13.76
12.	Eolian deposits.	3,271	3.12
13.	Tertiary sediments (marine and nonmarine).	2,860	2.73
14.	Tertiary igneous intrusives (hypabyssal).	515	0.49
15.	Tertiary volcanics.  - Eocene volcanics.  - Oligocene volcanics.  - Miocene volcanics.  - Pliocene volcanics.	5,142	4.90
16.	Quaternary sediments.  - Plio-Pleistocene nonmarine.  - Pleistocene nonmarine.  - Pleistocene marine and marine terrace deposits.  - Quaternary nonmarine terrace deposits.  - Glacial deposits.  - Salt deposits.  - Basin deposits.  - Fan deposits.  - Stream channel deposits.	61,815	58.93
17.	Quaternary volcanics Pleistocene volcanics Recent volcanics.	1,652	1.57
18.	Bodies of water and unmapped areas.	2,112	2.01
	TOTAL	104,900	100.0

## Table 3 Geological And Geophysical Variables For The CDCA

#### Rock Contact Relationships

Variable Number	Description	Total Length In CDCA (Km)
19	Length of contact between Precambrian granitic rocks (1) and Precambrian metamorphic rocks (2).	481.0
20	Length of contact between Mesozoic granitic intrusives and pre-Cenozoic granitic and metamorphic rocks (11), and either Ordovician through Mississippian marine sedimentary rocks (4), or Pennsylvanian through Permian marine sedimentary rocks (5).	565.0
21	Length of contact between Mesozoic granitic intrusions and pre-Cenozoic granitic and metamorphic rocks (II) and Triassic-Jurassic marine sediments (8).	1.6
22	Length of contact between Tertiary igneous intrusives (14) and Precambrian granitic rocks (1).	0.8
23	Length of contact between Tertiary igneous intrusives (14) and Precambrian metamorphic rocks (2).	53.2
24	Length of contact between Tertiary igneous intrusives (14) and Cambrian and late Precambrian sedimentary rocks (3).	3.2
25	Length of contact between Tertiary igneous intrusives (14) and Ordovician through Mississippian marine sedimentary rocks (4).	5.2
26	Length of contact between Tertiary igneous intrusives (14) and Pennsylvanian through Permian marine sedimentary rocks (5).	9.6
27	Length of contact between Tertiary igneous intrusives (14) and pre-Cretaceous metasedimentary rocks and pre-Cretaceous metamorphic rocks (6).	7.2
28	Length of contact between Tertiary igneous intrusives (14) and Paleozoic and Precambrian metavolcanic rocks (7).	2.8
29	Length of contact between Tertiary igneous intrusives (14) and Triassic-Jurassic marine sediments (8).	2.8
30	Length of contact between Tertiary igneous intrusives (14) and pre-Cretaceous metavolcanic rocks (9).	2.8
31	Length of contact between Tertiary igneous intrusives (14) and Mesozoic basic intrusives (10).	4.8
32	Length of contact between Tertiary igneous intrusives (14) and Mesozoic granitic intrusives and pre-Cenozoic granitic and rnetamorphic rocks (11).	208.0
33	Length of contact between Tertiary igneous intrusives (14) and Tertiary sediments (13).	83.0

Table 4

Geological And Geophysical Variables
And Number Of Subcells
For the CDCA

#### Structural Relationships

Variable Number	Description	Total In CDCA
34.	Length of thrust faults (km).	518
35.	Number of thrust faults.	415
36.	Length of nonthrust faults (km).	14,907
37.	Number of nonthrust faults.	12,629
38.	Number of fault intersections.	1,889
39.	Curvature of thrust faults.	n/a
40.	Curvature of nonthrust faults.	n/a
41.	Gravity value measured at cell center.	n/a
42.	Number of subcells.	26,812

Table 5
Lineament Variables For The CDCA

Variable Number	Source	Variable Description
43	LANDSAT	Number of Intersections
44	LANDSAT	Length of lineaments which inter- sect
45	LANDSAT	Number of lineaments passing through the cell
46	LANDSAT	Total length of lineaments passing through the cell
47-54	LANDSAT	Number of lineaments passing through the cell for each of 8 azimuth classes
55-62	LANDSAT	Cumulative length of lineaments passing through the fell for each of 8 azimuth classes
	Gravity	Number of Intersections
	Grovity	Length of lineaments which intersect.
Not	Gravity	Number of lineaments passing through the cell
Numbered	Gravity	Total length of lineaments passing through the cell
	Gravity	Number of lineaments passing through the cell for each of 5 ozimuth classes
	Grovity	Cumulative length of lineaments passing through the Fell for each of 8 azimuth classes
	Aerial	Number of intersections
	Aerial	Length of lineaments passing through the cell
Not	Aerial	Number of lineaments passing through the cell
Numbered	Aeriol	Total length of lineaments passing through the cell
	Aerial	Number of lineaments passing through the cell for each of B azimuth classes(1)
	Aerial	Cumulative length of lineaments passing through the Fell for each of 8 azimuth classes (
	Skylab	Number of intersections
	<b>S</b> kylab	Length of lineaments passing through the cell
Not	Skylob	Number of lineaments passing through the cell
Numbered	Skylob	Total length of lineaments passing through the cell
	Skylab	Number of lineaments passing through the cell for each of 8 azimuth classes(1)
	Skylab	Cumulative length of lineaments passing through the fell for each of 8 azimuth classes

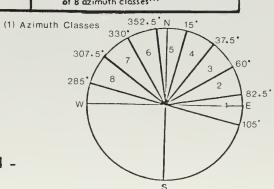


Table 6
Tonal Anomaly Variables For The CDCA

Variable Number	Variable Description
63	Total size of all anomalies partially or completely within a cell
64	The sum of sizes of that part of each anomaly contained within a cell
65	Number of anomalies present within a cell

Table 7
Geochemical Variables For The CDCA

Variable Number	Sieved Samples	Variable Number	Heavy Mineral Concentrate Samples
66	Magnesium	81	Magnesium
67	Titanium	82	Titani∪m
68	Mangenese	83	Manganese
69	Boron	84	Silver
70	Barium	8.5	Barium
71	Beryllium	86	Beryllium
72	Cobalt	87	Cobalt
73	Chromium	88	Chromium
74	Copper	89	Copper
75	Molybdenum	90	Molybdenum
76	Niobium	91	Lead
77	Lead	92	Tin
78	Vanadium	93	Zinc
79	Zinc	94	Potassium
80	Cerium	95	Cerium

#### Table 8

#### Maps And Reports Compiled In This Study

#### Maps

Map of Reported Mineral Occurrences in the CDCA (1:250,000 and 1:500,000)

Map Showing Wells (oil, gas,  $CO_2$  and geothermal fluids) Drilled in the CDCA (1:250,000 and 1:500,000)

Maps of Reported Mineral Occurrences in the CDCA (1:1,000,000) for each of the following commodities:

Gold Tungsten Lead Uranium

Silver Sand and Gravel Pits Manganese Saline Deposits

Iron

Maps of Reported Mineral Occurrences in the CDCA (1:250,000 and 1:500,000) for each of the following commodity categories:

Metals Uranium Industrial Minerals Salines

Maps of Geochemical Sampling Locations in the CDCA (Four separate areas at 1:250,000 and 1:500,000)

Contour Maps of Geochemical Sampling Data in the CDCA (120 maps total) - Individual maps for four separate areas at 1:250,000 and 1:500,000 for each of the thirty elements:

Sieved Samples	Heavy Mineral Concentrate	Samples
Magnesium Titanium Boron Barium Beryllium Cobalt Chromium Copper Molybdenum Niobium Lead Vanadium Zinc Cerium	Magnesium Titanium Silver Barium Beryllium Cobalt Chromium Copper Molybdenum Lead Tin Zinc Potassium Cerium	

#### Table 8

(Continued)

Contour Maps of NURE Gamma-Ray Spectrometric Data in Goldfield, Death Valley, Trona, Kingman and Needles Quadrangles (1:250,000 and 1:500,000) for the following:

Bismuth (214Bi) Thallium (208TI) Potassium (40K) Bismuth/Thallium ratio

Panel Classification Maps (1:250,000 and 1:500,000) for each of the following commodity categories:

Metals
Salines
Uranium
Nationally Important Industrial Minerals
Regionally Important Industrial Minerals
Sand and Gravel

Classification Maps of Lands in the CDCA (1:250,000 and 1:500,000) showing potential for each of the following commodities:

Gold Iron Manganese Tungsten Copper-Lead-Silver-Zinc combined Combined metals

#### Reports And Data Tapes

"A Geostatistical Study for Geology-Energy-Mineral Resources in the California Desert," March 1978.

"Magnetic Tape Descriptions and Specifications" and corresponding magnetic tape, March 1978.

"A Geostatistical Study for Geology-Energy-Mineral Resources in the California Desert," December 1978.

"Magnetic Tape Descriptions and Specifications," and corresponding magnetic tape, December 1978.

"Classification of the California Desert for Geology-Energy-Mineral Resource Potential, Geostatistical Classification," July 1979.

"Magnetic Tape Description and Specifications," and corresponding magnetic tape, July 1979.

"Classification of the California Desert for Geology-Energy-Mineral Resource Potential, Expert Panel Classification," July 1979.

#### 3. CLASSIFICATION TECHNIQUES

The potential for selected mineral resources in the CDCA is classified according to the probability of occurrence of the designated resource categories. The classifications are based upon (I) the location of the known mineral occurrences and (2) the results of geostatistical analysis. Each 4 - km by 4 - km cell has been classified.

Four statistical methods were considered for predicting potential of G - E - M resources. These were cluster, D - square similarity analysis, multiple linear regression analysis and discriminant function analysis (DFA). Previous research (Reference 138) has shown that DFA provides the most useful information for this particular study.

DFA results were presented for the following commodity categories:

- o Combined Copper, Lead, Silver, Zinc
- o Gold
- o Iron
- o Manganese
- o Tungsten
- Combined Metals

#### 3.1 INTRODUCTION TO DFA WITH EXAMPLE

This section of the report presents a summary review of DFA. Additional details are available in References 96 through 102 and Appendix C. Definitions of terms are in Appendix D.

DFA is a statistical procedure for assigning an individual entity (e.g., a cell) to a category (e.g., "occurrence" or "non - occurrence") based on its particular measurable attributes (e.g., geologic variables). The procedure takes place in the following steps:

- 1. Select categories for assignment.
  "Occurrence" and "non occurrence"
- 2. Select, measure and digitize attributes. Geologic variables no. 1 62
- 3. Select Training Set.

  Known occurrence and non occurrence cells
- 4. Calculate the discriminant function
  Use discriminant software
- 5. Use discriminant function to assign categories.

  Assign cells to "occurrence" or "non occurrence"
- 6. Contour results.
  Use SURFACE II contouring software

These steps are explained on the next few pages.

Step 1: Select Categories for Assignment

In this study, the categories were "occurrence" or "non-occurrence" of G-E-M resources for each of the 6,850 4 km by 4 km cells in the CDCA.

Step 2: Select and Measure Attributes

The attributes were those related to mineralization. They are described in Tables 2, 3, 4 and 5. In a simplified example for explanation purposes only, assume there are four cells and six attributes (called variables) as follows:

	Variable	Cell NG <b>0000</b> *	Cell NG0004	Cell NG0008**	Cell NG0012
i.	Percent of cells containing Ordovician through Mississip- pian sedimentary rocks	75	30	20	91
2.	Percent of cells containing Mesozoic granitic intrusives	25	70	80	9
3.	Length of contact (km) between I and 2 above	4	2	3	l
4.	Length of nonthrust faults (km) in cell	0	4	2	0
5.	Bouguer Gravity value (milligals)	41	73	57	71
6.	Total length (km) of linea- ments passing through cell	36	36	0	83

Once the variables are measured, they are digitized and entered into a computerized database.

Step 3: Select Training Set

The training set is selected as representative of the entire area or of major portions of it. It contains cells with known occurrences and cells where non - occurrence is assumed with some degree of certainty. In the simplified example, cell NG0000 is an "occurrence" cell and cell NG0008 is a "non - occurrence" cell. These are in the training set. The remaining two cells, NG0004 and NG0012, are the "target set."

<sup>\*</sup> Occurrence cell

<sup>\*\*</sup> Non - Occurrence cell

Step 4: Calculate the Discriminant Function

The computer program DISCRIMINANT (Reference 96) develops a discriminant function using the training set. The function is in the form,

SCORE = 
$$aA_1 + bA_2 + cA_3 + \dots$$
, +  $nA_n$ 

where the SCORE is called the discriminant score; a, b, c, . . ., n are coefficients calculated by the computer; and  $A_1$ ,  $A_2$ ,  $A_3$ , . . .,  $A_n$  are the measures of the attributes as described in step 2.

The function is developed so that the difference between the mean (average) of the discriminant scores for the occurrence cells and the mean of the discriminant scores for the non - occurrence cells is as large as possible.

In the simplified example, the coefficients and mean discriminant scores are shown below:

Variable	Coefficient
	0.26
2	-0.29
3	0.15
4	0.11
5	-0.12
6	-0.06

Mean score for occurrence cells: 5.77
Mean score for non-occurrence cells: -24.17

Step 5: Use Discriminant Function to Assign Categories

Once the coefficients are developed, they are applied to each cell in the CDCA and a discriminant score is calculated for each cell. The score is then compared to the mean values of discriminant scores of cells in the training set. The cell is then assigned to the category whose mean score is closest to its score.

Results of applying this procedure to the simplified example are shown below:

			NG0004		ell Ng0012
Variable	Coefficient	Variable in Cell NG0004	Variable times Coefficient	Variable in Cell NG0012	Variable times Coefficient
1	0.26	30	7.8	91	23.66
2	-0.29	70	-20.3	9	-2.61
3	0.15	2	0.3	1	0.15
4	0.11	4	0.44	0	0
5	-0.12	47	-5.64	71	-8.52
6	-0.06	36	-2.16	83	-4.98
SCORE			-19.56		7.70
Assignmen	† <b>*</b>	non - oc	currence	occ	urrence
Probabili Correct Classific	•	91%		9	7%

Mean score for occurrence cells: 5.77
 Mean score for non - occurrence cells: -24.17

Since the scores for the target cells do not exactly match the group means for the training set, there is some likelihood that a target cell which is closer to the occurrence mean than the non - occurrence mean is, in fact, a non-occurrence cell. This is called a "misclassification." The DISCRIMINANT program calculates the probability of misclassification based on the closeness of a score to the group mean of the training set. The "probability of correct classification" is the complement of the probability of misclassification, i.e., they both sum to 1.

The discriminant function, once calculated, is also applied to the cells in the training set. In some cases, cells in the training set that are known "occurrence" cells may be classified by the function as a "non - occurrence" cell and vice versa. This is also called a misclassification. When the function correctly classifies a cell in the training set, it is called "correctly classified." The proportion of cells in the training set which are correctly classified by the discriminant function is one measure of the validity of the results of a particular DFA application.

Once all cells are classified, there is a group of tests which allow a judgment regarding the efficacy of the function and the usefulness of results. These tests are discussed in Section 3.2 below.

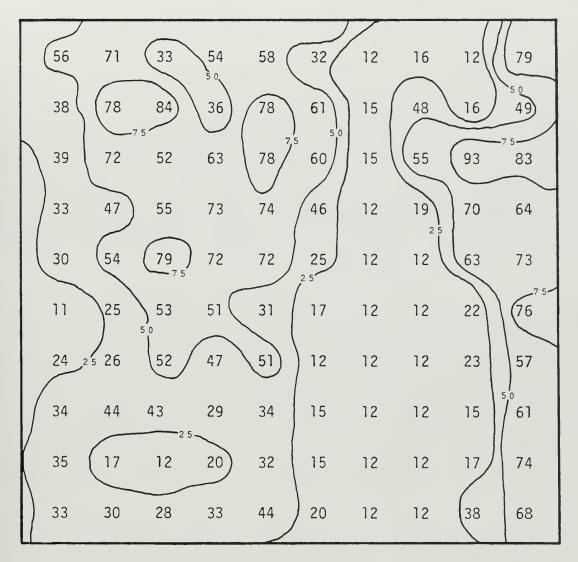


Figure 3

Example Of Contouring\*

Each number is the probability (%) of correct Classification in the "occurrence" category for a  $4~\rm km \times 4~km$  cell.

<sup>\*</sup> Contour interval is 25 percent.

Step 6: Contour Results

Once the discriminant function has been applied to each cell and each cell has been assigned to the "occurrence" or "non - occurrence" category, and once the probabilities of correct classification are assigned and the tests of results applied, then the results are ready for presentation. Figure 3 shows an example of contours plotted from a grid of probabilities of correct classification for each cell.

#### 3.2 PRINCIPLES AND TESTS OF SIGNIFICANCE OF DFA

Discriminant Function Analysis (DFA) is a technique for assigning members of some set to a class. In this study, the set is the set of geographic cells (4 km x 4 km) in the CDCA, and the two classes used were: (1) mineral resource potential; and, (2) no mineral resource potential. The assignment is based on a relationship or correlation between a dependent variable (reported mineral occurrences) and a set of known independent variables (geologic, geophysical, geochemical, lineament, and other variables). This relationship, called a discriminant function, is measured using a computer for a portion of the CDCA called the "training set." The training set is merely a subset of the entire area that is representative of the geology and mineral environment of the region as a whole, or of a major portion of the region.

For the training set, cells with reported occurrences (designated "occurrence cells") are taken to indicate mineral resource potential. Cells with no reported occurrences (designated "non - occurrence cells") are taken to indicate no mineral resource potential. The discriminant function takes the values of the independent variables in each cell in the training set and calculates a score. If the discriminant function is valid, the scores of the known occurrence cells will be clustered, the scores of the non - occurrence cells will be clustered and the two clusters will not be close together. The mean score of each cluster, called the group mean, is calculated. The group I mean is the mean value of the scores of the occurrence cells. The group 2 mean is the corresponding value for the non - occurrence cells. There are three statistical methods to test the validity of the DFA appraoch. The first measure of the validity of the discriminant function is the statistical significance of the separation between the group means. This is measured using a test for significance called an F - test.

Once the discriminant function is calculated and its significance tested, it is applied to the independent variables of every cell in the CDCA, including those in the training set, to derive a score for each cell. The scores are compared to the group means. Each cell is then classified into the group which has the group mean closest to the cell's score.

The second measure of the validity of the discriminant function is the percentage of known occurrence cells in the training set that are correctly classified by the discriminant function into the occurrence category. The third measure of validity, and one might argue the acid test, is the percentage of known occurrence cells <u>not</u> in the training set, correctly classified in the mineral occurrence category.

Notice that the corresponding tests for non-occurrence cells are not used, i.e., the percentage of non-occurrence cells correctly classified in the non-occurrence category. The reason for this is the uncertainty that a cell with no reported occurrences has no mineral potential. Indeed, a non-occurrence cell may simply never have been explored. On the other hand there is reasonable certainty (not 100 percent) that a cell with a reported occurrence does have mineral potential.

The final result of DFA is the calculation of a probability for each cell. This probability is a measure of how close that cell's score is to the group mean of the group to which it has been assigned. A probability of 100 percent indicates that the score is identical to the group mean. A 90 percent probability indicates that the score is very close to the group mean, but not exactly the same. A 50 percent probability says the score is exactly between the two group means. The probability assigned to each cell is called the probability of correct classification. The distinction between the probability of correct classification and the probability of occurrence is that the former only measures how closely a score matches a calculated mean, while the latter also measures the correspondence between the group means and the real geologic environment. Therefore, a key assumption in the application of DFA is that the discriminant function does, in fact, correspond mathematically to the geologic factors affecting mineralization. Because of this, separate discriminant functions are required to assess the potential of minerals not normally found in similar geologic environments. Thus, in this study, separate analyses were performed for gold; iron; manganese; tungsten; and the combination of copper, lead, silver and zinc. The last group, referred to as the "hydrothermal" case, can be combined because the minerals occur in similar geologic environments.

#### 4. RESULTS OF DISCRIMINANT FUNCTION ANALYSIS (DFA)

DFA was applied to six commodity categories. For visual presentation, maps showing the results of the DFA predictions for the six commodity categories were prepared at 1:250,000 and 1:500,000 scales. Maps at approximately 1:1,000,000 scale are contained in the pocket at the back of this report. Of five commodities listed below, maps for tungsten and manganese are not included in this report. In addition, a magnetic tape of all results was prepared. The maps show quartiles of probability of correct classification in the occurrence category (i.e., 0 - 25 percent, 25 - 50 percent, 50 - 75 percent; 75 - 100 percent probability of being the "occurrence" category). The six commodity categories are:

- o Gold
- Combined Copper, Lead, Silver and Zinc (hydrothermal)
- Tungsten
- o Iron
- Manganese
- Combined Metals

The combined metals map is derived from the other five by assigning each 4-km by 4-km cell the highest probability of correct classification of any of the other five cases and contouring the results.

It can be argued that genetically the gold data could be combined with the silver and perhaps with the copper, lead and zinc, to give a more statistically significant data set. However, because of uncertainty as to the quality of the source of the gold data set (numerous unsubstantiated gold claims have been reported) it was decided to keep the gold set separate rather than to risk a negative effect upon the other data sets. Only in the combined metals category was the gold data set mixed with the other data.

#### 4.1 SIGNIFICANCE OF RESULTS

Except for the tonal anomaly and geochemical sampling data, all independent variables used in DFA are available for the entire CDCA. Thus, DFA was applied to the entire area without using the tonal anomaly and geochemical sampling variables. The significance of the results of these DFA applications are discussed in this section.

In addition, as a special case, DFA was applied only to the areas where tonal anomaly data are available and geochemical samples were collected. The geochemical and tonal anomaly variables do not improve the significance of the DFA results as discussed in Appendix C and, thus, were not used for the final DFA classifications.

Several methods are available to test the statistical significance of the results. These are discussed in Section 3.2 above. As shown in Table 9, all five commodity cases are within acceptable limits for these tests, though the results for iron and maganese are less significant than the others. The results for combined metals were not tested since they represent a combination of five different DFA cases.

TABLE 9

DFA Results - Tests Of Statistical Significance

	F-Tes Separatio Group M	n Beţween	Percent Cells Corr	of Occurre	ence sified (b)
Case	F <sub>0</sub>	F.01	Training Set	Outside Training Set	Entire Area(d)
Hydrotherma I*	11.25	1.94	61.3	57.5	59.4
Gold(c)	12.03	2.00	63.2	54.9	59.1
Tungsten	4.17	1.91	63.0	58.2	60.6
Iron	2.66	1.94	66.7	37.1	52.1
Manganese	3.57	2.08	64.1	42.1	53.2

<sup>(</sup>a) When  $F_0$  exceeds  $F_{01}$ , the separation is significant. All five cases are significant.

<sup>(</sup>b) In general, results less than 50% are considered questionable.

<sup>(</sup>c) Not including placer deposits.

<sup>(</sup>d) This column provided for information only. It is not a statistical test.

<sup>\* &</sup>quot;Hydrothermal" and "combined copper, lead, silver, zinc" are used interchangably in this report.

Perhaps the best measure of the effectiveness of DFA (not a test of statistical significance) is the ratio of percent of known occurrences correctly classified by DFA to the percent of area of the CDCA predicted to have high potential. The reason this comparison is important is that a function which assigns high potential to all cells of the CDCA will correctly classify all known occurrence cells, but will, at the same time, misclassify non - occurrence cells. There is no discrimination. It is necessary to have a selective function, i.e., one that assigns mineral potential to a reasonable number of cells and, at the same time, maintains the integrity of known high potential cells (occurrence cells) by assigning a high proportion of them to the occurrence category. In other words, the desirable situation is to have a high percentage of occurrence cells correctly classified, but only a moderate percentage of the CDCA predicted to have high potential. In this desirable situation, it is possible to make statements such as "DFA has correctly classified over 60 percent of the known occurrences while assigning high potential to less than 20 percent of the area." If DFA showed no discriminating power, one would expect that 60 percent of the CDCA would have to be classified as having mineral potential in order to classify correctly 60 percent of the known occurrences. discriminating power can be measured by calculating the ratio of percent of occurrence cells correctly classified to percent of area classified in the high potential category. This number is referred to as the "high potential" ratio. The larger this number, the better is the discriminatory power of DFA. Table 10 summarizes this measure for each of the five commodity cases.

For comparison, a similar number was computed (last column of Table 10) to measure the ratio of the percent of occurrence cells in low potential cells to percent of area assigned low potential. The lower this number, the better is the discriminatory power of DFA. Comparison of the last two columns in Table 10 reveals a significant discriminating ability. If there were no discriminating ability, all the entries in columns 3 and 4 would be expected to have values very close to one. Instead, the "high potential" ratios are all 2.5 or higher and the "low potential" ratios are near 0.6 or lower.

Another measure of the effectiveness of DFA is to see how many known occurrences are in cells predicted to have low potential. (This test is performed on all occurrences of a given commodity. The previous test was for occurrence cells only. The distinction arises from the fact that one occurrence cell could contain several occurrences.) This test was performed for two definitions of low potential.

First, any cell with a probability of correct classification in the occurrence category of 25 percent or less was considered to have low potential. The results are shown in Table II. In each case, although a large percentage of the CDCA is classified as low potential (up to 60 percent) a very low percentage of known deposits are in those areas. Furthermore, by far the predominant number of deposits in those areas never reported any production (production categories 0 or I as discussed in Appendix A).

TABLE 10

Occurrence Cells Correctly Classified Versus Areal Extent Of Occurrence Cells

		(1)		(2)	(3)	(4)
Case	) J	Percent of Occurrence Cells Correctly Classified	ls ed	Percent of CDCA Classified With Mineral Potential <sup>(a)</sup>	Ratio <sup>(b)</sup> High Potential	Ratio <sup>(c)</sup> Low Potential
	Training Set	Outside Training Set	Entire CDCA			
Copper, Lead, Silver, Zinc*	61.3	57.5	59.4	24.1	2.5	.53
(p)PIOD	63.2	54.9	59.1	23.7	2.5	.54
Tungsten	63.0	58.2	9.09	22.6	3.0	64.
Iron	1.99	37.1	52.1	20.1	2.6	09.
Manganese	64.1	42.1	53.2	19.6	2.7	. 58

Probability of correct classification in the occurrence category greater than 50 percent. -(D)

This is the ratio of column 3 (percent of occurrence cells correctly classified in the entire CDCA) to column 4 (percent of area classified in the higher mineral potential category). (p)

(misclassifications) to percent of area classified in the lower mineral potential category. It is 100 minus the entry in column 3 divided by 100 minus the entry in column 4. This is the ratio of percent of occurrence cells classified in the non-occurrence category (c)

(d) - Not including placer deposits.

\* "Hydrothermal" and "combined copper, lead, silver, zinc" are used interchangably in this report.

TABLE !!

DFA Results Known Deposits In Low Probability (25 Percent)<sup>(b)</sup> Cells

	Total # Of	No	nber o	of Kno	wn De	posits	In Low Pr	Number of Known Deposits In Low Probability Cells	Percent Of CDCA Classified
Case	Occurrences	Pro	ductic	Production Category <sup>(a)</sup>	egory	(D)			Low Probability <sup>(b)</sup>
		0	_	2	3	4	Total	Percentage	
Copper, lead, silver, zinc *	627	13	61	5	0	0	37	9	32.6
Cold(c)	757	21	34	9	2	m	73	01	47.5
Tungsten	144	0	œ	7	_	_	1/1	01	59.9
Iron	75	œ	4	က	_	0	91	21	58.7
Manganese	102	2	9	3	0	0	=	_	9.44

(a) - Production Categories

0 = Occurrence

I = Workings, but no producion

2 = Production under \$50,000

3 = Production between \$50,000 and \$500,000

4 = Production over \$500,000

(b) - 25 percent or less probability of correct classification in the occurrence category

(c) - Not including placer deposits

"Hydrothermal" and "combined copper, lead, silver, zinc" are used interchangably in this report.

TABLE 12

DFA Results Known Deposits In Low Probability (50 Percent)<sup>(b)</sup> Cells

Number of Known Deposits In Low Probability Cells CDCA Classified	_	Percentage	38 6.5.9	34 76.3	77.4	7 49 79.9	3 42 80.4
In Low		Total	241	256	19	37	43
posits	(a)	4	2	7	2	0	0
wn De	egory	3	7	15	_	-	_
f Kno	n Cat	2	54	- t	21	∞	=
nber o	Production Category(a)	_	114	= 3	32	15	91
Nun	Pro	0	<del>1</del> 99	80	=	13	15
Total # Of	Occurrences		627	757	<b>551</b>	75	102
	Case		Copper, lead, silver, zinc*	Gold(c)	Tungsten	Iron	Manganese

(a) - Production Categories

0 = Occurrence

I = Workings, but no producion

2 = Production under \$50,000

3 = Production between \$50,000 and \$500,000

4 = Production over \$500,000

(b) - 50 percent or less probability of correct classification in the occurrence category

(c) - Not including placer deposits

"Hydrothermal" and "combined copper, lead, silver, zinc" are used interchangably in this report.

### TABLE 13 Variables Selected By DFA

		Variables Selected By  Variable Components	Variables Selected Far Discrimination					
Vari- able Set	Number	Description	Hydrothermal <sup>(1)</sup>	Gold	Tungsten	Iran	Manganese	
1.	1.	Precombrian granitic rocks.	х	X	Х		X	
2.	2.	Cambrian metamorphic rocks.						
	6.	Pre-Cretaceous metasedimentary racks and pre-Cretaceous metamorphic racks.	х	х	х	х		
	7. 9.	Poleozoic and Precambrian metavolconic racks.  Pre-Cretaceous metavolconic racks (if age cannot be established other than						
		pre-Cretaceous).						
3.	3.	Cambrian and late Precambrian sedimentary rocks.						
	4.	Ordovician through Mississippian marine sedimentary rocks.	x					
	5. 8.	Pennsylvanian through Permian marine sedimentary racks.  Triassic-Jurassic marine sediments.						
4.	10.	Mesozoic basic intrusives.	x	X	X	х	х	
5.	11.	Mesozoic granitic intrusives and pre-Cenozoic granitic and metamorphic rocks.			İ			
	14.	Tertiary igneous intrusives (hypobyssal),		X	X	X		
6.	13,	Tertiary sediments (marine and non-marine).		х		X		
7.	12.	Eolian deposits.	x	х		x		
	16.	Quaternary sediments.						
8.	15.	Tertiary volconics.	x	х			х	
	17.	Guaternary volconics.						
9.	19.	Length of contact between Precambrian granitic rocks (1) and Precambrian metamorphic rocks (2).	х	х		x	х	
10.	20.	Length of cantact between Mesozoic granitic intrusives and pre-Cenozoic granitic and metamorphic rocks (11), and either Ordovician through Mississippian marine sedimentary rocks (4), ar Pennsylvanian through Permian marine sedimentary rocks (5).	X			x		
	21.	Length of contact between Mesozoic granitic intrusions and pre-Cenozoic granitic and metamorphic rocks (11) and Triassic-Jurassic marine sediments (8).						
11.	22.	Length of contact between Tertiary igneous intrusives (14) and Precambrian granitic rocks (1),						
	23.	Length of contact between Tertiary igneous intrusives (14) and Precambrian metamorphic rocks (2),				į		
	24.	Length of contact between Tertiary igneous intrusives (14) and Cambrian and late Precambrian sedimentary racks (3),						
	25.	Length of cantact between Tertiary igneous intrusives (14) and Ordovician through Mississippian marine sedimentary rocks (4),						
	26.	Length of contact between Tertiary igneous intrusives (14) and Pennsylvanian through permian marine sedimentary racks (5).						
	27.	Length of contact between Tertiary igneous intrusives (14) and pre-Cretaceous metasedimentary racks and pre-Cretaceous metamorphic racks (6).						
	29,	Length of contact between Tertiary igneous intrusives (14) and Paleozoic and precambrian metavolconic rocks (7),						
	30.	Length of contact between Tertiary Igneous Intrusives (14) and Triassic- Jurassic marine sediments (8).						
	31.	Length of contact between Tertiary igneous intrusives (14) and pre-Cretaceous metavolconic racks.						
	32.	Length of contact between Tertiary igneous intrusives (14) and Mesozoic basic Intrusives (10),						
	33.	Length of contact between Tertiary igneous Intrusives (14) and Mesozoic grantic intrusives and pre-Cenozoic granitic and metamorphic rocks (11),						
		Length of contact between Tertiary Igneous Intrusives (14) and Tertiary sediments (13),						
12.	34.	Length of thrust fauls.						
13.	36.	Length of non-thrust faults,		ļ				
14.	41.	Number of fault intersections.  Gravity value measured at cell center,				X	Х	
15.	43.	Weighted number of LANDSAT lineaments which intersect in cell.	Х		X		X	
16.	46.	Sum of total length of LANDSAT lineaments passing through the cell.			X		X	
17.	55.	The contract of the contract o		-	X		^	
18.	56.		χ		X			
9.	57.				x			
ю.	58.	Cumulative length of LANDSAT U				х		
21.	59.	Cumulative length of LANDSAT lineaments passing through the cell far each of B azimuth classes within an arigin at 15°.			х	х	х	
22.	60.						х	
23.	61.			х				
24.	62.			x				

<sup>(1)</sup> Copper, lead, silver, zinc combined

Second, any cell with a probability of 50 percent or less was defined to have low potential. Those results are shown in Table 12. Once again, the observation holds. Despite the fact that nearly 80 percent of the area is classified as having low potential, less than 50 percent of the known deposits occur in those low potential areas, and of these, approximately 75 percent never reported any production. This test, too, is strong support for the discriminating ability of DFA.

In applying DFA, some variables were combined into variable sets. The variable set number is shown in the left column of Table 13. The gravity, aerial and Skylab variables in Table 5 were not used for DFA because they did not contribute to the discriminating power (see Appendix B). The procedure used by DFA selects the variables which provide the most discrimination between occurrence cells and non-occurrence cells. Table 13 shows those variable sets which provide the most discrimination for each of the commodity categories.

#### 4.2 LIMITATION OF RESULTS

While the DFA results are useful for a "first cut" classification of mineral potential, there are sources of uncertainty. Some cautions for the use of the results are discussed below.

The classification was done as part of the development of a land use plan, not for mineral exploration purposes.

The fact that a particular cell in the training set contains no reported occurrences does not establish that there are absolutely no occurrences in it. Indeed, occurrences may be present which are unknown, or there may be occurrences which are known but not reported. Nevertheless, the lack of reported occurrences defines this particular cell as a "non - occurrence" cell in the training set. In fact, any cell that was either initially defined (in the training set) as a "non - occurrence" cell, or was subsequently classified by DFA as a "non - occurrence" cell, has some likelihood of containing one or more occurrences, especially considering the widespread occurrences of minerals in trace quantities in most rocks and sediments. Similarly, there is uncertainty concerning a cell which is initially defined or subsequently classified as an "occurrence" cell. Some of the reported occurrences may not be of economic importance in any sense and may have yielded little more than trace amounts. In addition, some reports of the presence of minerals may be in error.

The probability estimates of correct classification pertain to each 4-km by 4-km cell as a whole and not to a point or points within the cell. Comparison with the geologic map may suggest that only part of the cell has any actual potential for occurrence. Thus, for appraising a particular cell, the DFA results must be analyzed in the light of the geology in that cell.

The main source of geologic data is the 1:250,000 scale Geologic Map of California. This map, published in 1° by 2° quadrangles, is a compilation of other geologic maps prepared at different times, at different scales and by different persons with different objectives, interests and perceptions. More detailed geologic data might improve the reliability of the DFA results. Examples of such data are the presence of gossans; other evidence of alteration associated with ore deposits; and the presence of carbonates, especially where they have been invaded by granitic intrusives. However, there is only scant direct information concerning lithologic details of sedimentary sequences on the 1:250,000 scale maps.

In using the results of the geostatistical classification process, one should be aware of the following potential limitations:

- 1. The method rests on the assumption that the geologic, geophysical and lineament variables are related to mineralization, and that the relationships can be modeled statistically.
- 2. There is a subtle but important distinction between probability of occurrence and probability of correct classification in the occurrence category. (This is discussed in Appendix C).
- 3. There is uncertainty regarding the validity of the information on G-E-M occurrences since it may involve faulty reports.
- 4. There is the dilemma of assigning a cell with no reported occurrences to the "non occurrence" category if that cell is in the training set.
- 5. The probability assignments actually apply to 4 km by 4 km cells as a whole and not to any specific point within the cell.
- 6. There are limitations in the sources of data upon which the geologic, geochemical, geophysical and lineament data are based.

#### 5. USE OF RESULTS

The results of this study were used as follows:

- A. In the early stages of the inventory program, the geostatistical study provided an initial feel for the potential of the CDCA for G E M resources. In addition the initial geostatistical study provided one of several means for evaluating where within the CDCA additional data were needed;
- B. After additional data were gathered, a new geostatistical study was performed using the additional data. That study provided improved classification maps which geologists of the G-E-M Resources Team integrated with results from other studies to generate maps showing G-E-M resources potential for the CDCA;
- C. The results of the geostatistical study were also integrated with results from other studies to prepare recommendations from the G-E-M Resources Team to the BLM Management for the CDCA multiple-use plan;
- D. Finally, the study results, together with other G-E-M resources data and with other natural resources data, were used by BLM Management in reaching final decisions for the multiple-use management plan.

#### 6. RECOMMENDATIONS

As indicated above, the results of this geostatistical study were used by BLM in developing recommendations for the multiple - resources land use plan for the CDCA. In addition to providing recommendations on the management of an important area, this type of study could serve as a prototype for similar efforts in other areas. The following recommendations are oriented toward both purposes: as a part of developing land use plans and as a prototype.

#### 6.1 USEFULNESS OF APPROACH

The basic approach involved three phases: data gathering, digitizing and computerizing, and analysis. In the data gathering phase, every publicly available data source was consulted. Such an exhaustive search is essential. Once collected the data were digitized and entered into a computerized database. The large amount of data and data applications make use of computer facilities essential. In the analysis phase both statistical (objective) and expert panel (subjective) approaches were used. While both these methods may be subject to criticism, they are most effective in terms of making use of existing data, concepts and experience and, therefore, most efficient when considering cost and time per unit area.

The intent of the geostatistical analysis of G-E-M resources was to provide the G-E-M Resources Team with information for their classification of lands for G-E-M resources potential and their recommendations for a multiple - use plan for the CDCA. It is therefore principally a planning tool and not a guide for mineral exploration.

#### 6.2 IMPROVEMENT OF DATABASE

The database used for the CDCA geostatistical study (this report and appendices) contains geologic, gravity and lineament data of high quality. Some modifications could be made, but unless the level of detail is considerably increased, the changes would represent only fine tuning of existing results. Such detailed and costly modifications might be appropriate for very small geographic areas, but not for multiple – use plans the scope of the CDCA study.

A much greater improvement in the results would be obtained by improving the reported occurrence file. The file lacks accurate production information (see Appendix A). Another problem is that claims were assumed to represent an occurrence of the commodity stated in the claim, though many claims probably contained inaccurate information. The reported occurrence database is the single most important element in the classification process, and any improvement would be beneficial. The field verification studies conducted by the G-E-M Resources Team before the geostatistical study was done, proved very useful for validating and upgrading some occurrence data.

#### 6.3 EXPANSION OF INDEPENDENT VARIABLES

Expansion of the independent variables would also improve the results. The experiments with geochemical data, for instance, were encouraging, but not conclusive. The geochemical data are simply too limited in coverage and too sparse where available. Additional geochemical data collected over more of the CDCA using a finer sampling grid would probably improve the classifications. Other information that might improve the classification includes complete and consistant aeromagnetic data and hydrothermal alteration data.

#### 6.4 TREATMENT OF ALLUVIAL AREAS

The largest void in the data is caused by the fact that approximately 60 percent of the CDCA is covered by alluvium. These areas are usually classified with low potential for metals. In general, any geologic evaluation technique would result in similar classification. Key questions are how deep is the cover? And what is underneath? Sub-surface maps showing the extent of alluvial fill and type of bedrock can be prepared which might assist in overcoming this problem. However, this kind of mapping was beyond the scope of the present study.

# Appendices

#### - APPENDIX A -

#### GEOLOGY - ENERGY - MINERAL RESOURCE OCCURRENCES

#### I. INVENTORY OF DEPOSITS AND WELLS

This appendix presents details about the collection, encoding and analysis of reported occurrences of G-E-M resources in the CDCA. A complete compilation of known resource occurrences in the CDCA serves four purposes:

- Information about the nature, extent and location of known G E M occurrences is required for land use planning.
- 2. Since it is likely that unknown G-E-M deposits are near existing deposits, the location of known occurrences is a possible indicator of the existence of as yet unidentified deposits.
- 3. By using geostatistical analysis, relationships between known resource locations and the local geologic environment may be found that would indicate potential resource locations with similar environments.
- 4. Information on occurrences is required for the expert panel classification.

Since information regarding deposits is considered proprietary by most owners, compilation of an accurate inventory is difficult. Some operators and owners will not reveal information about deposits unless required to do so by government regulations or by potential investors. Information which is reported publicly may be distorted, depending on the motivations of the operator or owner. For these reasons, any compilation of resources data must be considered partially incomplete and inaccurate.

The best publicly maintained source of information is the annual questionnaire submitted to the U.S. Bureau of Mines (USBM) by individual producers. Since these questionnaires are considered proprietary by USBM, they were not available for this study. A polling of individual producers was beyond the scope of this project. Except for the USBM questionnaire and information from individual producers, all other sources of information identified were utilized for this project. These sources are listed in the references.

Occurrences of 47 resource types have been reported in the CDCA as summarized in Table I of the main report. Of the total of 3,430 occurrences, 284 are wells drilled in search of oil, gas, carbon dioxide or geothermal fluids. Occurrences were assigned dollar values according to "Rules for Classification of Production Codes" (below). A complete computer printout and magnetic tape of all reported occurrences were developed as part of a previous study (Reference 94).

#### 2. COMPILATION OF MINERAL OCCURRENCE INFORMATION

Information on each occurrence was gathered and encoded for entry into a computerized data base. Information for each occurrence includes the following, if available:

- o Location (UTM coordinates, county, section, township, range)
- Commodity
- o Reference
- Production Category
- o Name of deposit
- Production and geologic information

#### Location

The procedure for obtaining the location of occurrences in the CDCA is as follows:

- 1. Start with the USGS 1:250,000 topographic sheets.
- 2. Plot the location of mines described in the CDMG County Reports (References I through 7).
- 3. Add the locations (not identified in 2) of uranium claims described in Department of Energy's preliminary reconnaissance reports (PRRs) (Reference 8).
- 4. Add the locations (not identified in 2 and 3) of mines described in the Southern Pacific Railroad's report, "Mineral Resources of Southern California" (Reference 13).
- 5. Add the locations (not identified in 2, 3 and 4) of mines presented on the
  - a. CDMG Economic Mineral Maps (References 9, 10 and 11).
  - b. USGS Mineral Occurrence Map (Reference 12).
- 6. Add the locations (not identified in 2, 3, 4, and 5) of mines described in the USGS's Planning Unit reports (References 14 through 19).
- 7. Add the locations (not identified in 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6) of mines identified by the U.S. Bureau of Mines' Mineral Industry Location System (MILS) (Reference 20).
- 8. Add the locations (not identified in 2 through 7) of limestone or dolomite deposits identified in The Mineral Economics of Carbonate

  Rocks, Limestone, Dolomite Resources of California (Reference 136).
- 9. Add the locations (not identified in 2 through 8) of industrial mineral occurrences identified by BLM (Reference 137).

Some confusion exists in reporting locations of occurrences because of inaccuracies in location, errors in reporting, or errors in one or more references. Occurrence data were

carefully edited to eliminate "double counting" or combining separate occurrences. However, since field verification was not possible, there are unavoidable errors in the location information. These are believed to be relatively few and of minor significance.

#### Commodities

Each location is associated with one or more commodities. Commodities are listed in Table I of the main report. Locations where more than one commodity is reported are identified with the primary commodity produced. In cases where more than one commodity has been produced in significant quantity, each commodity is reported as a separate occurrence.

Occurrences are identified using the following format:

XX AA YYY

where XX is the county code (see Table A-I), AA is the commodity symbol (see Table I) and YYY is the sequence number for that commodity in that county. YYY begins with 001 and is increased occurrence by occurrence within each county. YYY is an identifier only and does not represent any other information. For example,

29 Au 105

is gold (Au) occurrence number 105 in Kern County (29).

#### References

The reference from which the information was obtained is listed for each occurrence, keyed to the references contained at the end of this report.

#### Production Category

For each occurrence, a production category 0 through 4 was assigned as defined below and shown in Table 1. Because complete production data are available for very few mines, the following rules were used in classifying each occurrence.

TABLE A-I
County Codes

County	Code
Imperial	025
Inyo	027
Kern	029
Los Angeles	037
Mono	051
Riverside	065
San Bernardino	071
San Diego	073

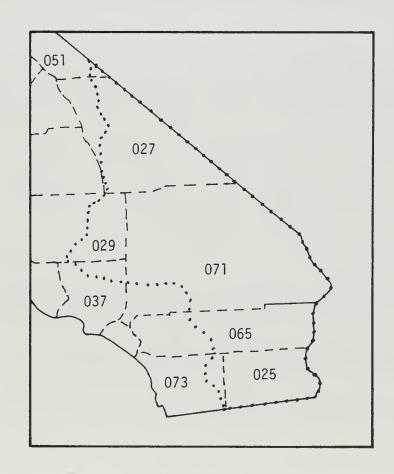


FIGURE A-I: Map Of CDCA Showing County Codes

#### Rules for Classification of Production Codes

1. All available production data are converted to dollars using the following conversions (1973 market prices are shown for comparison):

Commodity	<u>Units</u>	Conversion Price	1973 Market Price
Copper*	per pound	\$.15	\$.60
Gold*	per ounce	\$25.52	\$97.81
Lead*	per pound	\$.06	\$.16
Zinc*	per pound	\$ <b>.</b> 07	\$.21
Silver*	per ounce	\$ <b>.</b> 61	\$2.56
Iron#	per ton ore, unprocessed	\$2.64	\$12.11
Manganese#	per long ton ore (35% Mn or more)	\$22.24	\$36.00+
Tungsten#	per unit of WO <sub>3</sub>	\$14.32	\$43.04
Talc#	per ton, crude	\$6.50	\$7.33

<sup>\*</sup>New York Metal Market prices. Conversion price is average price over the years 1901 - 1950.

#These prices were obtained from the Bureau of Mines Minerals Yearbook. Conversion price is average price over the years 1901 - 1950.
+Estimated.

In some cases in the literature, production history was reported in terms of quantity (e.g., ounces of gold or tons of iron ore). In other cases, production was reported in terms of value (e.g., \$498,000 of gold). For statistical purposes, it was necessary to show production history on a consistent basis. Since value figures did not always show year or years when mining occurred, it was not possible to convert to a specific adjusted dollar value. Thus, quantities were converted to value using average prices. As a result, production values are on a consistent, but not current, price basis. The purpose was to rank occurrences into one of five classes according to economic value. This method of ranking, while not reflecting current market values, is accurate in classifying occurrences. The specific category divisions (\$50,000 and \$500,000) were chosen to yield reasonable statistical distributions in each category, not because of their absolute value. Values were averaged over the 50 - year period, 1901 to 1950.

- 2. Sand and gravel pits are assigned production categories on the basis of production capacity as follows:

  Production category 2 if production capacity is less than 100 tons per hour.

  Production category 3 if production capacity is 100 to 1,000 tons per hour.

  Production category 4 if production capacity is over 1,000 tons per hour.
- 3. If production data are given for selected years only, they are treated as the only years of operation and converted to dollars as in I above.
- 4. If tonnages or grades of ore are not given, but production is indicated, the mine is assigned to Production Category 2.
- 5. If no production is indicated, but an adit, shaft, pit or other sign or workings exists, the mine is assigned to Production Category I.
- 6. Otherwise, the mine is assigned to Production Category 0. This mainly includes (a) mines identified by MILS with no indication of production and (b) mines located in

the USGS "Reported Occurrence of Selected Minerals" but which are not referred to in some other source.

7. "Preliminary Reconnaissance Reports of Uranium Occurrences" are classified as follows:

Production Category 0 = Locations where radiation is more than three times background

Production Category I = Workings

Production Category 2 = Department of Energy "labeled reserves"

#### MILS Reference Number

The Mineral Industry Location System (MILS) is maintained as a computerized data base by the USBM. Each reported occurrence in MILS is coded in the form:

#### AA BBB CCCCC

#### where:

AA is the state code (California's code is 06).
BBB is the county code. County codes in the CDCA are shown in Table A-I.
CCCCC is the MILS reference number.

Since the state code is the same for all entries and the county code (less its beginning zero) is part of the commodity identification, only CCCCC is included as a separate entry in the production database.

#### Other Information

Other information includes the name of the mine or claim and specific production and geologic formation.

### 3. OIL, GAS, CO2 AND GEOTHERMAL WELLS

### OIL AND GAS WELLS

There are no known oil or gas fields in the CDCA. In general, the oil and gas potential is very low. However, there have been sporadic attempts at oil and gas exploration since 1920. All of these attempts resulted in dry holes, although some encountered traces or "shows" of oil and gas. While most of the wells have been drilled by operators not regularly associated with the oil industry, a few of the wells were drilled by major oil companies. These were drilled to test bona fide prospects.

Maps and information on oil and gas wells in the CDCA were obtained from the California Division of Oil and Gas. Well histories were obtained from Munger Service of Los Angeles. These data are summarized in Table A - 2.

The well summaries, as provided by Munger Service (Reference 25), yield relatively little geological information. Lithologies encountered in drilling are listed in a few of the summaries, but are absent from most. We presume that the intervals penetrated by most of the exploratory wells consist of Tertiary and Quaternary nonmarine sediments (principally sand and gravel, silt and clay). Some of the wells went to basement, encountering granite or other lithologies. The fact that oil and gas shows have been encountered in several wells is proof of the presence of oil and gas in the region, but the mere presence of shows should not be taken as a suggestion that commercial quantities of oil and gas exist. The oil and gas potential of the CDCA as a whole can best be estimated by comparison with other regions of generally similar geology. For example, in Nevada, which overall is somewhat comparable geologically to the CDCA, oil is present in Railroad Valley which lies roughly equidistant between Tonopah and Ely. The oil occurs in Tertiary valley fill sediments which overlie fractured volcanic flows and ash units. The oil is contained within the fractures in the volcanic rocks. There are large volumes of Tertiary and Quaternary sediments in the intermontane valleys of the CDCA. Presence of oil and gas in a similar environment in Nevada suggests that much of this material may have some oil and gas potential, but there is no way to assess this potential accurately. (Also the East Mojave area vs. overthrust belt.) PEMEX (Petroleo Mexicano or the Mexican National Petroleum Company) made a commercial gas strike in May, 1981 at 13,500 feet 30 miles south of Mexicali. The marine Miocene rock units which contain the PEMEX well are known to exist in the Imperial Valley of California.

CO<sub>2</sub> WELLS

There are eight  $CO_2$  wells in the CDCA. All the  $CO_2$  wells did plug - up with calcite in the 1960's. Due to the economics of the dry ice plant at Niland, the operation was closed down and abandoned as being unprofitable. The  $CO_2$  is used primarily for the production of dry ice.  $CO_2$  well summaries were provided by Munger Service. The information is summarized in Table A - 3.

### **GEOTHERMAL WELLS**

Information on geothermal development was obtained from Munger Service; the California Division of Oil and Gas; the USGS "Geothermal Land Classification Map for California - Southern Half"; the Bureau of Land Management, Bakersfield; and the California Energy Resource Conservation and Development Commission (CERCDC), Geothermal Office. A large portion of the CDCA has been designated as either a "Known Geothermal Resource Area" (KGRA) or a "Valuable Prospective Area" by the USGS.

The CERDC estimates that geothermal power production in the CDCA will be up to 900 MW by the year 1990\*. The forecast of 900TMW results from production from five KGRA's located in the CDCA: Brawley, Heber, East Mesa, Salton Sea Westmoreland and Coso. The last KGRA, Coso, has now five producible wells on Navy administered land. Of the five, one well is dry steam and the other four have dual phase fluid, that is steam and hot water. All Coso wells are less than 2,000 feet deep. The Navy has announced plans to build in 1983 a 35 MW plant supplied by these five wells.

Table A - 4 lists geothermal wells in the CDCA as of February 1981. As indicated by the number of potentially productive wells, the estimate of geothermal power production may be achieved given adequate power plant development and the continuation of drilling activity.

Table A - 5 summarizes the status of geothermal power plant development in the CDCA. At present, there are two plants operating. In addition, two geothermal power plants of approximately 50 MW capacity are planned and one other 50 MW plant is under construction.

The Department of Energy (DOE), in conjunction with San Diego Gas and Electric Company, operates a test plant for research on the problems of the corrosive, high - solid geothermal fluids found in the Salton Sea geothermal reservoir. Following the resolution of the technical and funding problems, the test plant will become an operational plant.

A 10 MW capacity plant is planned in the Salton Sea area contingent upon the resolution of the technical problems associated with high - solid and corrosive geothermal fluids.

BLM has prepared an environmental impact statement for the lease of about 70,000 acres of federal land in the Coso Hot Springs area for geothermal development. In addition, the U.S. Navy is evaluating the use of geothermal energy for its facility at the China Lake Naval Weapons Center. The EIS assumes development of a total of 550 MW of electricity generating capacity. The EIS was finalized in September, 1980 and Coso was leased in September 1981.

<sup>\*</sup> Woody Ennis, California Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission, Geothermal Office, Sacramento, July 23, 1979.

TABLE A - 2

# Summary Of Exploratory Wells Drilled For Oil And Gas In The CDCA<sup>†</sup>

Depth Basement Uncountered	(feet)				1901															1379'	31701	2650				3150'		10000	.0077	
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	Location	35-16N-15E	30-16N-16E 27-29S-37E MD* 23-15: N-15E	23-15',N-15E	8-15N-8E 24-15N-14F	23 - 15N - 15E MD	13-305-37E MD	13-305-37E MD 27-305-37E MD	27-30S-37E MD*					22-31S-37E MD	25-31S-37E MD		22-315-38E MD*	20-325-30E MD 9-325-37E MD		9-32S-39E MD 16-32S-44E MD		34-12N-4W	12-11N-12W		23-11N-11W *	28-11N-5W	34-11N-4W	אונ אונו שכי	36-1118-9E	23-11N-11E
Total Depth	(feet)	3477	827 4060 2211	1870	190	2440	1821	4760	700	2950	2727 5065	1718		1440	09	1440	2620	2266		2422 210	4046	2468	1092	1040 678	1512	3553	1817	0076	0077	1512
Llevation	(leet)	2660RT	2977KB 2600GB		916GR 3363RT	10000	2234RF	2253 2063KB	010000	2125GR		2230GR		2225GR	2200Gr		202405	2934DF 2465GR		2800GR	2450GR	2300GR	2500GR			2386KB	2261GR	0000	2200 11886R	
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Year	Start	19/3	1971	1972	1925	1971	1949	1940	7001	1944		1944		1946	1945		1040	1945		1946 1957	1969	1952	1945			1959	1968	1012	1923	1161
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# Summary Of Exploratory Wells Drilled For Oil And Gas In The CDCA<sup>†</sup> (Continued)

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Coordinate	Operator	lease	Number	Start	Complete	(Teet.)	(feet)	Location	Shows Reported	(1eet)
1 - 1 - 1	Willow Springs Oil Company Regina Oil Corp., Ltd.	Lucky Strike Marsh			1938		4126	27~10N-14W 35-10N-14W	* *	
MJ 1272 FJ 1074 MJ 1268	John B. Harding John B. Harding Consident Oil	Harding	N G		1932 1928 1924		1048	5-10rl-10W 5-10N-10W	* *	
٠,	George H. Marsh	Well		1948	1924	2503	1272	M9-N01-17 8-10N-6W	•	12/2'
MJ 6670 MJ 6470	6. A. Grober & Associates Interstate Oil Corporation	Well Kraemer	~ m	1955 1924	1956 1924	2260KB 2200	1377	1-10N-5W 2-10N-5W		1877
	Mojave Basin Oil Company		· — ·	1924	1924	2223	700	2-10N-5L	1	
M.J 6470 MJ 5870	Jack Radovich E.A. Thomson	Radovich Thomson-	_	1950	1952	2250GR	3160	3-10N-5W	3160'- Gas Showings	3164
		Cimarron		1963 1935	1963 1937	2513KB	3500 3042	7-10N-5W	938' - 0il & Gas 1341' - 0il & Gas	2864
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MJ 6670 MJ 6870	G. A. Grober & Associates	Well Well	<u> </u>	1953 1956	1956 1956	2255RT 2255KB	3124	12-10N-5W		3117
	Western Pacific	Well	ာက	1929	1933	1780GR	3417	4-10N-4E		71.7
NJ 3870 NJ 3870	Western Pacific	4 <	m -	1925	1925	1765GR 1760GB	3397	4-10N-4E		
	Sierra Oil & Gas Company	Wilhelm		1959	1961	1750GR	6404	4-103:4E 5-10N-4E		6404
	Flamingo Oil Company	Flamingo		1957	1960	1710KB	2680	18-10N-21E	Showings 2000 - 2200'	
1.1 6860	Robert Watchorn Moridian Dil Company			1030	1919 1933		3070	27-9N-10W	* 3030/ Charring (bil	3000
	Ebert & Brandt	C. L. Wilson		1967	1968	2323KB	2233	32-9N-12W	TO BILL DISCO	3306
	Kern Torrence Pet. Corp.	į			1925		200	13-9N-10W	*	
MJ 6256	H. A. Pagenkopt John O. Tannehil	Emcap Community		1949 1954	1951 1955	26/0GR 2994RT	2780	22-9N-5W		2542
	William J. Stava	Gorrindo	. –	1957	1957	2804RT	1315	1-8N-16W		
	Fairmont Exploration Co.	Lane	-	1958	1958	2670KB	2200	3-8N-15W		
7999 PT	C. F.Stalger &	Contt	10.1	1050	1961	966760	3050	HAL NO OL		
LJ 7048	Solar Oil Company, Inc.	Singer	-01	1950	1950	2445GR	2090	13-8N-15W		
	H & K Exploration Company	Ben Hur	87-21	1950	1950	2835KB	3430	21-8N-15W		
LJ 6244	Aptelone Oil & Expl. to.	Skelton		1961	1961	326/DF	3155	31-8N-15W		
	Morris B. Barks	Gloria		1950	1950	2700 2304GR	1256	30-8N-15W 2-8N-12W		
	George A. Qenison		-				1000	24-8N-12W	*	
MJ 0450 MJ 0252	Rosamond Oil Company	Houston	3 11 <u>-</u> 0	1950	1950	2300 (topo) 2300GP	1387	15-8N 11W		
	Lehr Company	inglica		7661	1945	NDOOC 7	880	33-8N-8U	*	
	Lehr Company	Lehr	2	1946	1946	3000	1000	33-8N-3W		
NJ 5650	Adelanto Development Corp.	Adelanto Uil Well	-	1954	1955	3006RT	4500	12-8N-6W	2400' - Gas and Oil	3951
	Adelanto Oevelopment Corp.	9	· m	1956	1956	300GR		7-8N-5H		2539
MJ 6448	Adelanto Oevelopment Corp.	Adelanto	6-2	1955	1955	2850GR	2100	14-8N-5W		2100
	H. W. Shaffer	Munz		1955	1952	1803K1 2569KR	4428	17-8N-4E 9-7N-14M		4428
	C. W. Colgrove	Schwandt	57-23	1951	1951		3153	23-7N-14W		3153
LJ 8836	Barnes Core Orilling Co. Oel Sur Oil Company	McNaughton Oel Sur		1965 1945	1965	2804KB 2500	465	28-7N-14W		
1.3 8636	COMCO	Godde	. –	1959	1959	2400GR	2129	27-7N-13W		21291

# Summary Of Exploratory Wells Drilled For Oil And Gas In The CDCA<sup>†</sup> (Continued)

Depth Basement Encountered (feet)							3092		370'	1 200	. 606	3573'	657' 3700'		1310'
Ba Enc.					1750' - 0i1 & Gas Showings	840-910' 19' - 0il & Gas 845-1170' 70' - 0il & Gas	- 0il & Gas 2085-2105'			- 0i1	- Faint Cut	3394-3404'- Petroleum Odor	- 0il & Gas 625-650' - 0il & Gas - 0il & Gas		
	* *		*	*	1750'	* 840 1219' 1070'	2201			1135'	5790	3394-	657' 5500' 2800'		
Location	1-7N-12W 11-7N-12W 11-7N-12W	5-7N-11W	6-7N-11W	5-7N-10W 5-7N-10W 36-7N-9W	7-7N-8W 15-6N-13W 6-6N-12W	9-6N-12W 17-6N-12W 17-6N-12W	34-6N-11W 26-6N-10W 27-6N-8W 26-6N-7W	4-6N-5W 25-6N-5W	33-6N-4W 1-5N-12W	1-5N-12W 1-5N-12W 5-5N-12W	24-5N-12W 21-5N-11W 21-5N-10W 32-5N-10W	20-5N-9W 15-5N-8W 22-5N-6W	19-5N-1E 23-4N-7W 24-4N-7W 13-4N-5W 34-4N-5W	29-4N-4W	29-4N-4W 4-4N-3W
Total Depth (feet)	1500 1640 1905	3440	3040	850 795 100	330 850 1762	1219	1100 3805 830 3092	200 816	520	1135	1450 1450 5955 1345	3900 600 3216	657 6365 4011 3096 2802	3103	3316
Llevation (feet)	2361bF	2359RT	2359RT	2465GR 3000GR	2075GR 2540		2745GR 3000GR	2800GR 2800GR	3000GR 2750GR	2500GR	32000F 65GR 3402	31750F 3265GR 3500	2865RT 4433KB 4505DF 3500GR 3700	3375GR	2960GR 3000
ar <u>Complete</u>	1955 1921 1925	1956	1958	1927 1927 1922	1952 1951 1947	1925 1939 1938	1931 1961 1950 1950	1953 1920	1949	1936 1937 1950 1960	1950 1952 1940 1948	1947 1950 1931	1955 1956 1956 1950 1944	1924	1925
Year Start	1955	1956	1956	1927	1952 1951 1946	1939	1922 1960 1950 1949	1952 1920	1949	1937	1952 1939 1948	1944 1950 1931	1955 1955 1956 1950 1944	1924	1925
Well Number	2	_	2	- 2										_	4-1
Lease	Comer	Well	Well La Loma	2	Whitehorn- Card Ritter Well	Well Well	Ruby Ralph Arnold Black Butte	Mutz Well	Well Wright	Lindsey Realty Title Co.	Chief Paduke Was Orlando	Virginia Lee Houston Victor	Laurabel- Norman Handley Nielson Justice Lee Salter	29	29 Inland
Operator	H. B. Proctor Antelope Oil & Gas Co. Antelope Oil & Gas Co. Codric F. Menome Cas & Oil	Cedile E. Brown Gas & Oll Company, Inc. Codric F. Brown Gas & Oil	Company, Inc.	D. H. Wood D. H. Wood Citizens Oil & Land Corp.	James F. Whitehorn Farned, LeValley & Greer Anapola Oil Corporation	John B. Harding New Cal Oil Company Antelope Valley Pet. Co.	Christenson, Roy M. Butte Petroleum Co., Inc. Walter Siravo A. C. Anderaon	A. B. Clark & C. E. Huntoon Mojave River Oil Company	H. I. Widney & G. G. Widney Wright Oil Tool Company	Lindsey, K.S. Dillar, William S. Silver Leaf Oil Company Raymond D. Mollar	Socony Mobil Oil Co., Inc Orlando Oil Corporation	Willette Oil Company J. B. Halbert Victor Valley O&R Co.	Company, Ltd. Alton Oil & Development Co. Richard Oil Company Rex Oil Company Ute Oil Company	Hesperia Oil & Gas Company of California	nespetia official das company of California B.K.E. Drig. & Prd. Co. Albert Crooks
UIM Coordinate	LJ 9844 LJ 9640 LJ 9640	M.1 0044			MJ 2842 LJ 8430 LJ 9032			MJ 6626	FJ 7224			MJ 2218 MJ 3218 MJ 5418		MJ 7006	MJ 8012

### Summary Of Exploratory Wells Drilled For Oil And Gas In The CDCA<sup>†</sup>

Lucountered Basement Depth 1745 6039 2106 1715 4531 2100' (feet) 14281 1635-1645', 1734-1746', 2467-2507', 2520-2525', 2552-2555': 011 & Gas; 2708-2720': C0<sub>2</sub> 1080' - Swabbed a little Uil 3812' - Slight Shows of Oil 880-1050': Light Oil & Gas Shows Reported 1510' - 0il & Gas 1265-1311' - 0il 3293' - Gas & Gas 33-11S-10E 5-11S-16E 4-14S-12E 20-14S-15E 14-14S-16E 27-11S-9E 10:11S-10E 6-115-21E 6-115-21E 3-125-8E 7-11S-16E 8-11S-16E 9-13S-14E 2-13S-17E 14-14S-16E 14-14S-16E 24-12S-13E 25-115-8E 25-115-9E 25-115-9E 29-1N-10E 25-25-3E 30-25-4E 32-11S-10E 24-10S-13E 31-115-10E Location 25-115-8E 26-10S-9E 13-155-8E 14-4N-1W 17-4N-1W 17-4N-1W 25-2N-5E 28-2N-8E 1-35-3E 2-35-3E 9-35-3E 25-75-10E 21-IN-9E 24-IN-9E 17-4N-1W 14-3N-5W 4-35-4E 35-3S-5E 11-55-1 Depth (feet) 1512 1428 1311 2106 1472 425 1715 1250 350 6100 3085 4531 4160 900 1375 3809 1320 3912 6350 8350 3315 1911 1544 868 460 700 7474 1901 3812 213 2800 8647 3443 986 847 levation 1846KB 677KB 1635KB 130GR 1512GR -17GR 150GR -160GR 175GR 100GR 115GR 162GR 100GR 150GR 650GR 650GR 575GR 180GR 166GR 272KB 112GR (teet) 750GR 565DF 110DF 3006KB 3000GR 1000GR 3856GR 2005KB 2005KB 900GR 200GR 1500GR 2308RT 200GR 2990 99 90 Continued) Complete 962 975 920 921 921 963 922 921 954 951 1933 1950 1920 950 1930 961 954 940 1962 1945 1955 1952 1963 1925 1926 1927 Year Start 1947 1960 1953 1960 1960 1960 1956 1944 1933 1931 1932 1950 1944 1950 1951 1919 1929 1934 1952 1954 1936 1947 1932 1-13 Number Well Wilson (et al.) Truckhaven Unit Lucerne Valley Lucerne Valley Stone (NCT-1) Southern Land Brawley Unit Pure (NCT-1) Veysey USL Phillis Midway Well Truckhaven Salton Sea Company Stipek Lease Bergman Lee Oil Federal Sheran Melson Bobbic Jauner Carver Retari Moore Barth Chief Orroco Moore Well Well Ajax Oil & Development Co. Bernard J. Patton Campbell, Egger & Rottman 104 0il & Drilling Co. 104 0il & Drilling Co. 104 0il & Drilling Co. Carrizo Valley 0il Corp. Development Association Parsons Petroleum Company Western Development Corp. Amerada Hess Corporation Imperial Valley Pet. Co. Barth Oil Company, Inc. Painted Hills Oil Assoc. Painted Hills Oil Assoc. CHS Company, Ltd. Spindletop Oil Syndicate Custom Drilling Company San Felipe Oil Company Diamond Bar Oil Company Cabazon Central Oil Co. Texaco, Inc. Imperial Valley Oil & Allied Petroleum Corp. Oro Negro Oil Company The Pure Oil Company Oklahoma Oil Company Standard Oil Company Mortiner & Rasmussen Retari Company, Inc. Lee Oil Development The Ord Oil Company Cajon Basin Company John F. Sheran Sardi Oil Company C & K Oil Company The Texas Company Operator Paul M. Peterson Irex Oil Company Moore & Peterson Jesse M. Nelson Texaco, Inc. . J. Piatt W. E. David D. H. Wood Chevron Coordinate 8470 9270 9270 9072 9868 5678 5276 5476 8268 3654 6858 5842 5844 0210 8880 3282 9/00 9470 0478 0478 3264 1648 5842 8434 5486 7486 9278 9296 3458 3658 0210 9282 8462 9808 6400 3454 3254 3054 4054 5248 7234 232222222EEEEEEEE 9229528 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 PG

TABLE A-2

Summary Of Exploratory Wells Drilled For Oil And Gas In The CDCA<sup>†</sup> (Concluded)

Depth Basement Encountered (feet)															230'	
Shows Reported												1050' - Minor Shows			395'- 0il, 490-520': Thin 0il, 640-700' and 740-855':	U11 & Gas Shows increased
Location	27-15S-17E	9-16S-10E	6-16S-11E	28-16S-14E	6-16S-12E		8-16S-16E	16-16S-17E	3-16S-20E	2-17S-10E		20-17S-11E	20-17S-11E	20-17S-11E	20-17S-11E	18-17S-14E
Total Depth (feet)	10550	2500	700	7323	7808		12313	8017		4008		1245	1160	3210	1200	7505
Elevation (feet)	101KB				34GR		BGR	94KB	250GR	378DF		377KB	0	354RT	350RT	10GR
Complete	9961	1928	1925	1945	1952		1945	1960	1957	1968		1959	1968	1968	1968	1961
Year	9961			1945	1952		1944	1958	1956	1964		1959	1961	1961	1962	1981
Well Number	27-1	~		-	-		_	_	_	_		_	ıt l	_	2	-
Lease	U.S.A.			Timken	F. D. Browne	Grape	Ergebretsen	Barbara	Betsey Russ	Straw	F.G.M. deAnza	USL	Snow Government	Yaha	Barkett	Jacobs NCT-1
Operator	American Petrofina Exploration Company	San Diego & Imperial Valley Oil Company	Southwestern Petroleum & Pipeline Company	Amerada Hess Corporation	Texaco, Inc.	Техасо, Інс.		H. W. Schafer	Andrew J. Crevolin	Petrodynamics Association	DeAnza Oil Company, Ltd.		J. B. Nelson	Clarence E. Harrison	Mike Barkett	PG 3214 Texaco, Inc.
UTM Coordinate	PG 6832	NG 9826	PG 0428	PG 3620	PG 1428	PG 5424		PG 6624	06 0028	NG 9818	PG 0412		PG 0412	PG 0412	PG 0412	PG 3214

Note: Source is Munger (Reference 25) unless otherwise indicated by asterisk. San Bernardino is Base Meridian (except where indicated by MD = Mount Diablo).

\* Source: California Division of Oil & Gas, Maps (See bibliography)

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 ${\it TABLE~A-3} \\ {\it Summary~Of~Exploratory~Wells~Drilled~For~CO}_2~{\it In~The~CDCA}^\dagger$ 

2 F			[[em	Year	<u>.</u>	Flevation	Total	
Coordinate	e Operator	Lease	Number	Start	Complete	(feet)		Location
PG 9618		Pacific Ory Ice	_	1946	1946	-150GR	1505	9-9S-12E
PG 9620		Pacific Ory Ice	2	1946	1946	-150	1510	11-9S-12E
PG 9620	Pacific Ory Ice Company	Pacific Dry Ice	က	1947	1947	-150GR	1560	11-9S-12E
PG 9620		All American						
		Acres Comm.	_	1944	1944	-125	1452	11-9S-12E
PG 3080	Anthony Rivers Dev. Co.	Anthony	_	1945	1945	-237GR	533	34-10S-13E
PG 3078	Cardox Corporation	Well	B-9		1941		860	3-11S-13E
PG 3076	Cardox Corporation	Well	8-8		1941		860	11-115-13E
PG 3472	J. P. Chandler & Lee Station	19	<u></u>	1935	1935	220GR	230	19-11S-14E

Note: Source is Munger (Reference 25). San Bernardino is Base Meridian.

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### Summary Of Exploratory Geothermal Wells In The CDCA

Remarks	Abandoned			Unsatisfactory		Potential Producer		Dotontial Droducor				(Source: DOG G2-1)						Producer	Potential Producer			500-550 °F Bottom							113 400#/br steam		Wellhead pressure 182 psig		57,000#/hr. steam	209,000#/hr. water	, 6 l cd	(Source: DOG G2-1)	Successful Steam Well 100 psig Wellhead	800°F Bottom	
Location*	22-15S-14E	1-9S-12E	8-17S-13E	30-12S-13E	30-125-13E	30-125-13E	20-123-13E	20-123-13E	20-125-13E	19-12S-13F	33-115-13E	28-115-13E		10-12S-13E		4-12S-13E	10_12C_13E	27-11S-13F	27-11S-13F	33-11S-13E	33-115-13E	33-11S-13E	33-11S-13E	10-11S-13E	10-115-13E	23-115-13E		22-11S-13E	23_11C_13E	761-61		23-11S-13F	23-115-13E		7-12S-14E	24-11S-13E	13-11S-13E 24-11S-13F		31-16S-14E
Total Depth (feet)	5024	1695	5100	4135	8000	4264	7705	7507	4650	1200	4305	1050		4680		2368	6070	7117	2510	2800	4000	2560	2400	675	1400	4859		5826	5230	25.20		1200	4736		4037	006	6141 8100		2000
Elevation (feet)	-51KB	-63KB	-8KB	215KB	-200KB	-213FK -59VB	-3350 -202KR	-202KB	-202KB	202KB	-239KB			-215KB		-220	_220GP	-225GR -225GR	-227	-214KB	-238KB	-238KB	-213KB			-218DF		-200GR					-214KB		2KB		-211KB		2KB
r Complete	1975	1973	1973	1972	1970	1977	1976	1976	1976	1963	1974	1932		1958		1961	1973	1964	1975	1975	1974	1972	1975	1927	1927	1964		1977	1066	006-		1975	1961		1976	1933	1964 1963		1972
Year	1973	1973	1973	1972	1976	1976	1976	1976	1976	1963		1		1957		1961	1962	1964	1974	1971	1972	1972	1972			1964		1963	1962	7061		1965	1961		1976		1964		1972
Well Number	-		<u> </u>		- c	7 [		- ~	۳ (	) <b>–</b>	۰ ۸	·		_	•	2	٣	o —	m	_	3	4	_	<b>–</b> (	<b>7</b> °	· —		2	-	-		c	· –		_	2			2
Lease	Bonanza		Fed-Rite	,	Dear Dorn Farms	Vedroorn Kullo Farms	Landers	Landers	Landers	Grace	MAGMAMAX			Sinclair		Sinclair	Sinclair	J. J. Elmore	Elmore	MAGMAMAX	MAGMAMAX	MAGMAMAX	Woolsey			State of California	Imperial Irrigation	District	Imperial Irrigation		Importal Irrination	District	Sportsman		Bacon		Hudson River Ranches		Heltz
Operator	Magma Energy, Inc.	Q. B. Resources International	Magma Energy, Inc.	Magma Energy, Inc.		Republic dedunermal, Inc.	•				Imperial Magma	Chemical	Geothermal Energy & Mineral		Geothermal Energy & Mineral	Corporation Geothermal Fnergy & Mineral	Corporation	Union Oil Company	Imperial Magma		Imperial Magma	Imperial Magma	Imperial Magma	Pioneer Development Company	Pioneer Development Company	Shell Oil Company	Imperial Thermal Products		Imperial inermal Products		Imporial Thormal Droducte	Timber rate tries man an orderes	Imperial Thermal Products		Union Oil Company	Salton Sea Chemical Products	Union Uil Company Union Oil Company		New Albion Resources Company (Magma)
UTM	PG 1648			PG 2462		DG 2660	PG 2664				PG 2670		PG 2868					PG 2870						PG 2876		PG 3072											PG 32/4		PG 3420

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M			[196]	Year	÷	Flevation	Total				
Coordinate	<u>Operator</u>	Lease	Number	Start	Complete	(feet)	(feet)	Location*	Remarks	S)	
PG 3454	Chevron USA, Inc.	Rutherford	-	1977	1977	-127KB	7930	8-13S-14E	Potential Producer	(Source:	( 500
PG 3618	Union Oil Company	Thomson	_	1976	1976	10KB	7132	4-17S-14E			100
PG 3620	Magma Energy, Inc.	Holtz	<b>—</b> (	1972	1972	2KB	5147	32-16S-14E	Potential Producer	(Source:	000
	nagma Energy, Inc. Chevron Oil Company	HOITZ F B Jackson	7 [	1974	1974	2KB 7KR	5000 5968	32-165-14E	_	(Source:	(900
		Nowlin Partnership	- ,-	1972	1972	7 KB	5030	33-16S-14E		(Source:	000
	Chevron Oil Company	J. D. Jackson, Jr.	_	1974	1974	7 KB	6046	33-16S-14E		(Source:	(500
PG 3622	Chevron Oil Company	Hulse	-	1974	1974	7KB	6400	29-16S-14E	Potential Producer	(Source:	000
	Chevron Oil Company	Mercer	1-28					30-14S-14E			
PG 3652	Chevron Oil Company	Brandt	-	1978	1978	-136KB	10019	17-13S-14E	_ ,	(Source:	000
		H. B. Tow	_	1975	1975	-128KB	5031	16-13S-14E		(Source:	(500
	0:1 2:3	Veysey	~ 0	1978	1978	-125KB	5688	16-13S-14E	Potential Producer	(Source:	(500
	110	Veysey	∞ σ	8/61	19/8	-125KB	7002	16-135-14E		(Source.	(900
	5 6	Veysey	ש כ	1979	1979	-123KB	6067	16-135-14E	ק ה	(Source:	()
	Union Oil Company	Kriiger	⊇ -	1975	1976	-125KB	6793	17-13S-14E			
	<u></u>	Vevoev	- ~	1975	1975	-123KB	5921	21-135-14E	_	(Source:	(500
PG 3818		Murdy	. —	1976	1976	6KB	4263	10-17S-14E			
	011	Thomson	. 2	1975	1976	10KB	9701	3-175-14E	Potential Producer		
	Chevron Oil Company	GTW	2	1976	1976	9KB	7089	2-17S-14E			
PG 3820	Chevron 011 Company	34	GTW-3	1975	1975	0KB	3914	34-16S-14E			
	Union Oil Company	Saikhon	_	1975	1976	6KB	4500	34-16S-14E			
	Chevron Oil Company	27	GTW-1	1975	1975	0KB	3458	27-16S-14E			
	Chevron Oil Company	27	GTW-2	1975	1975	0KB	3002	27-16S-14E			
		Mercer	2-28	1975	1975	-129KB	0	30-14S-15E	Dottont in December	(5011200.000)	(500
PG 3854	Union Oil Company	Veysey		1975	19/5	-129KB	8385	15-135-14E			1000
		Cox		1974	1977	150CP	9009	15-135-14E			
	Union Oil Company	Clater Clater		1978	1979	-130GR -125KB	13097	14-135-14E	_	Producer (Source: [	(500
PG 4618	Republic Geothermal Inc	Silzle		1974	1975	30KB	11015	33-16S-15F			
	Magma Energy, Inc.	Sharp		1972	1972	27 KB	6070	35-15S-16E			
							11600	8-16S-16E	0	(c)	
PG 6226	Magma Power Company	Magma U.S.	44-7	1976	1976	30GR	7328	7-16S-17E		0,	100
	Power		44A-7	1978	1978	30GR	7080	7-16S-17E	Potential Producer	(Source:	000
	Power	2	448-/	8/61	1978	30GR	1280	7-165-1/E		1 2000	,
	Magma Power Company	liagilla 0.3.	40-7 48A-7	1978	1978	30GR	9169	7-16S-17E		(Source:	(500
	Magma Power Company	Magma U.S.	46-7	1977	1977	42KB	3095	7-16S-17E	۵	(Source:	(500
PG 6228	U.S. Bureau of Reclamation	Mesa	2-9	1973	1973	26GR	9009	6-16S-17E	2350 psig, 280°F surrace,	280°F surface, Producor (Source)	. חחם
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0000	U.S. Bureau of Reclamation	Mesa	98-30	1972	1972	34GK 48KB	0006 0006	30-15S-17E		(Source:	(500
FG 6230	Republic Geothermal, Inc.	30	30-7	1975	1977	165KB	7520	30-15S-17E			
	Geothermal,	30	30-5	1975	1977	50KB	8000	30-15S-17E	_ ,		
	Geothermal,	30	30-4	1975	1977	48KB	7439	30-15S-17E		, ,	(500
			26-30	1977	1977	51 KB	7520	30-15S-17E	Potential Producer	(Source:	(500
	Geothermal,		16-30	1977	19//	49KB	8000	30-155-17E		(Source:	(000
	Republic Geothermal, Inc.		78-30	1977	1978	56KB	7340	30-155-17E		(Source:	(500
			74-30	1979	1979	67 KB	7659	30-15S-17E	_	(Source:	(500
	U.S. Bureau of Reclamation	Mesa	31-1	1974	1974	51KB	6231	31-15S-17E		(Source:	(500
PG 6232	Republic Geothermal, Inc.		56-19	1979				19-15S-17E	Potential Producer	(source:	100

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### Summary Of Exploratory Geothermal Wells In The CDCA (Concluded)

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Note: Source is Munger (reference 25) unless otherwise indicated in remarks column.

remarks column. DOG is California Division of Oil and Gas. GLC is USGS Geothermal Land Classification Map.

\* San Bernardino Base Meridian, except MD indicates Mount Diablo Base Meridian.

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### Geothermal Power Plant Develorment In The CDCA

COMMENTS	Operating at 10MW	Pilot binary system plant. If proves successful, Magma Power and San Oiego Gas & Electric have an agreement to expand the plant to SOMM; expected date of operation 1984.	Binary Plant - will be combined with a block unit.	Binary demonstration project in New Mexico initiated instead. Campaign underway to get DOE to sponsor a binary project for Imperial Valley to demonstrate the utilization of lower temperature resources.	Flash Steam Unit approved. Construction has started.	New alloy of titanium, nickel and chromium for pipes has solved corrosive & clogging problems of using the geothermal fluids of the Salton Sea reservoir. These fluids have some of the highest known temperatures in the Imperial Valley but also have almost 25% solids.		
STATUS	Completed June 1980	Completed in 1980 now operating at 8MW output	Permit approved 10/81	Proposal abandoned January, 1979	Master Environmental Impact Report, finished in 1981	Funding currently provided by SOGSE and DOE. SDGSE will abondon planned plant in September, 1979 if OOE does not agree to 100% financing of the facility.	In final approval process with CEC &	Planned if problems with corrosive, high-solid fluids can be resolved.
SCHEDULED OATE OF OPERATION	1980	1979	1982		m1d 1982	1982	1985	as early as 1983
GEOTHERMAL FLUIO PRODUCER	Union Oil Company	Magma Power Company	Republic Geothermal, Inc.		Chevron, Inc.	Magma Power Company	Republic	Union Ofl Company
PLANT SIZE	JOHW	10MW	19MW	Oepartment of Energy (OOE) Demonstration Project for Binary Cycle	SOMK	Test Plant 15MW	10MW	10MV
OEVEL OPER	Southern California Edison (SCE)	Magma Power Company	Republic Geothermal, Inc.	San Diego Gas and Electric (SOG&E)	SCE	S068E and 00E	Republic and SOG&E	SCE
LOCATION	Near Brawley	East Mesa KGRA (East of Holtville)	East Mesa KGRA (East of Holtville)	East Mesa KGRA (East of Holtville	Near Heber	Near Niland. Salton Sea		South Shore Salton Sea

Sources:\*California Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission, Geothermal Office, Sacramento;
Los Angeles Times, 3 July 1979.

### - APPENDIX B -

### GEOLOGICAL, GEOPHYSICAL, GEOCHEMICAL TONAL ANOMALY AND LINEAMENT DATA FOR THE CDCA

### I. INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY

This geostatistical study requires systematic compilation of two categories of data, as follows:

- 1. Data on occurrences of mineral resources in the California Desert Conservation Area (CDCA).
- 2. Data on the geological, geophysical, geochemical, tonal anomaly and lineament characteristics of the CDCA.

The first category of data is described in Appendix A; this Appendix deals with the second.

In a general sense, geological, geophysical, geochemical, tonal anomaly and lineament data are used, along with known mineral occurrence data, for two purposes. First, they are used to develop statistical inferences about the likelihood of mineral occurrences in areas where no occurrences have been reported; and second, to assist with the expert panel classification. The statistical techniques and results are discussed in Appendix C.

An ideal set of geological, geophysical, geochemical, tonal anomaly and lineament data would include the following:

- Detailed, consistent geologic maps showing lithologic units and types and extent of faults.
- o Detailed logs of exploratory wells for oil and gas, carbon dioxide, and geothermal fluids with information as to lithologic and formational units encountered.
- o Consistent and current gravity and magetic data for the entire area.
- Uniform and accurately interpreted lineament data for the entire area.
- Uniform, consistent and accurate geochemical sampling data for the entire area.

Unfortunately, not all of these data are available within the CDCA. The following geological, geophysical, geochemical, tonal anomaly and lineament data were collected:

- o Lithologic units, contacts between selected lithologic units, and faults from the Geologic Map of California of the California Division of Mines and Geology (CDMG), 1:250,000 scale (References 46 through 57). These data were encoded in numerical form.
- o Gravity data provided for the CDCA by Dr. Shawn Biehler of the

University of California at Riverside, gravity data from the "Bouguer Gravity Map, Kingman Sheet" published by the California Division of Mines and Geology (Reference 59), and gravity data interpolated from the General Electric (GE) "Complete Bouguer Anomalies" contour map (Reference 78).

- o Lineament data interpreted from LANDSAT imagery, Skylab and aerial photographs, and the Bouguer Gravity contour map by GE under contract to BLM (Reference 78).
- Reconnaissance level geochemical sampling data collected by BLM and analyzed by the USGS. BLM collected 2,500 samples from 1,250 locations. Sampling was concentrated in four areas of the CDCA (about 50 percent of the area). At each location, two samples were taken as follows: first, a sample was taken using ordinary methods and separated with a -500 micron mesh; second, a sample was taken and a heavy mineral concentrate was developed. Thus, there are two samples from each location but each sample has a different characteristic. Semi quantitative spectrographic analysis was performed to determine concentrations of 65 elements in each sample. These data are discussed in more detail in Section 4 of this appendix.
- o Gamma-ray spectrometric and aeromagnetic data collected for the National Uranium Resource Evaluation (NURE) program of the Department of Energy covering the Kingman, Death Valley, Trona, Goldfield and Needles 1:250,000 quadrangles.
- o Tonal anomalies detected on LANDSAT imagery by GE under contract to BLM (Reference 139, direct correspondence with Alan Smith at General Electric, Beltsville, Maryland). These tonal anomalies might be correlated with hydrothermal alterations.

The geologic and lineament data were compiled for each 2-km by 2-km square in the CDCA. There are 26,812 2-km by 2-km cells in the CDCA. The gravity data were compiled for each 4-km by 4-km square in the CDCA. The geochemical, tonal anomaly and aerial data were compiled for each 4-km by 4-km square where they were available. Once the data were compiled by hand and encoded onto a magnetic tape, they were merged into 4-km by 4-km cells for geostatistical purposes.

Tables 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 of the main report list the geological, geochemical, geophysical, tonal anomaly and lineament variables used for the analysis. Sources of information including maps are listed in the reference section.

### 2. SELECTION OF GEOLOGIC AND GEOPHYSICAL VARIABLES

The geological and geophysical variables selected for encoding and subsequent analysis, listed in Tables 2, 3 and 4, were selected for two principal reasons:

- 1. The presence of these variables on the 1:250,000 CDMG Geologic Map of California, and
- 2. Their potential efficacy as measures of the regional geology, upon which subsequent statistical prediction of mineral occurrences have been based.

The variables listed in Table 2 are referred to by number for convenience. Variables I through 18 ("Lithologic units") have areal extent. Variables 19 through 33 ("Rock Contact Relationship"), 34 and 36 ("length of faults") have linear extent. The remaining variables (35 and 37 through 40) pertain to quantities that are neither linear nor areal. Variable 41, Bouguer gravity, is measured in milligals. Variable 42, the number of subcells, was used for computational convenience only.

As noted in Table 2, several lithologic units available from the geologic maps were combined into one variable for this study. For example, variable 4 is a combination of six lithologic units. These units were combined because they form similar environments for G-E-M occurrences. In addition, each variable used in geostatistical analysis should be present in sufficient quantity to be statistically meaningful. Several of the variables listed in Tables 2, 3 and 4, do not occur frequently enough to help in the geostatistical analysis. Two approaches exist to handle this problem and both were tried. One approach is to eliminate those variables that occur infrequently. The other approach is to combine low frequency variables with other similar ones. Low frequency variables were eliminated or combined on the basis of results of several tests. This is discussed in Section 3 of Appendix C.

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### 3. SELECTION OF LINEAMENT VARIABLES

Lineaments are linear features identified on aerial photographs and/or satelite imagery. Some theories contend that lineaments represent the geologic parameter of crustal deformations that provide channels for mineralized solutions (Reference 79). It follows from this "hydrothermal plumbing system" theory that lineaments could play a role in determining mineral occurrence locations.

Lineaments are determined from an aerial view of the earth's surface by an experienced observer. The interpretation of lineaments is based upon what appears at the surface of the earth. The surficial features represent an integration of geologic time, with lineaments of various undifferentiated ages, all appearing on only one geometric plane — the earth's surface. This surface distribution may or may not be indicative of features at depth.

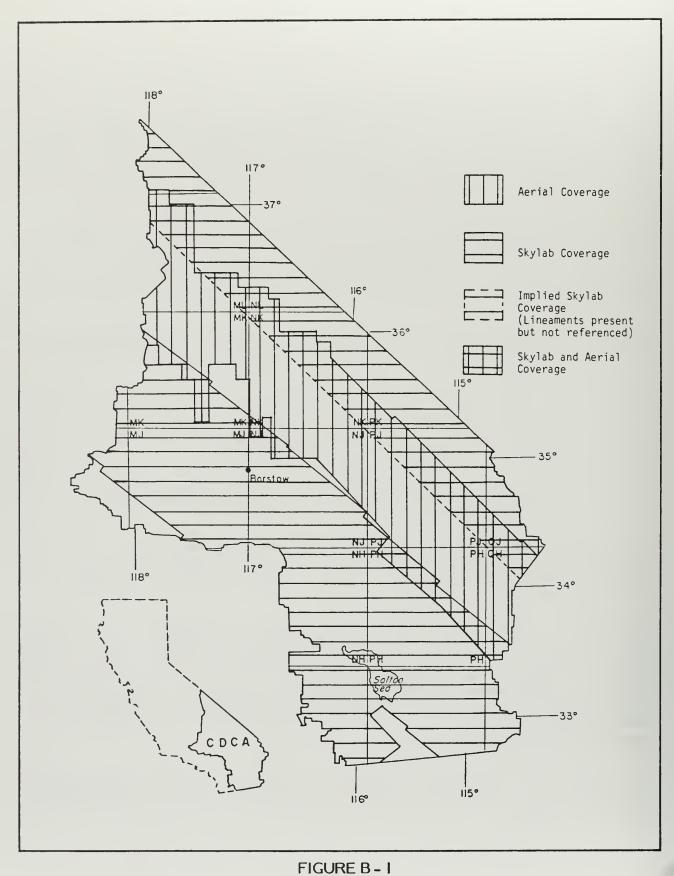
Lineaments were taken from maps prepared by GE under contract to BLM (Reference 78). Four classes of lineaments were mapped by GE as follows:

- o Lineaments interpreted from LANDSAT imagery.
- o Lineaments interpreted from aerial photographs.
- Lineaments interpreted from Skylab photographs.
- Lineaments interpreted from the gravity contour maps derived from data provided by Dr. Shawn Biehler at the University of California, Riverside.

For convenience of expression, lineaments interpreted from each of these four sources are identified throughout this report as lineaments of the particular source. For example, lineaments interpreted from LANDSAT imagery are subsequently referred to as LANDSAT lineaments.

The LANDSAT imagery and the gravity data are uniform and complete in their coverage of the CDCA. On the other hand, neither the Skylab nor the aerial imagery used to interpret lineaments was complete. Figure B-I shows that the areas covered by aerial and Skylab imagery are almost mutually exclusive. In the few areas with overlap, there is little correlation between lineaments interpreted from the two sources. Thus, the Skylab lineaments and the aerial lineaments cannot be combined into a single class of lineaments to achieve uniform coverage of the entire CDCA and must be treated separately for statistical analysis.

From all the lineament variables which were considered for each of the four sources (LANDSAT, gravity, Skylab and aerial), 20 were selected (Table 5) for each source. Section 3.1 addresses the general approach of the selection process; Section 3.2 details the variable selection.



Skylab Versus Aerial Lineament Coverage

### 3.1 GENERAL APPROACH FOR SELECTION OF LINEAMENT VARIABLES

Certain geological theories regarding the nature of lineaments support the use of lineament variables for resource appraisal. The main theory is that lineaments are representative of geologic structure, particularly fracture systems (Reference 91). In order to determine the statistical relationships between lineaments and mineral potential, the lineament representations (lines on a map) must be converted to a set of numbers (digitized). This quantification of lineament information should maintain, as much as possible in numeric form, the features of lineaments that are representative of mineralization. Thus, the following theories provide a framework for lineament quantification:

- 1. The total length of a lineament is proportional to the importance of that lineament (representative of the importance of a structural feature, Reference 93).
- 2. The number of lineaments represents the lineament complexity of the area. This, in turn, is representative of the structural complexity of the area (Reference 76).
- 3. Intersections present evidence of lineament interaction. This, in turn, is representative of structural interaction (Reference 83).
- 4. Certain lineament orientations (azimuths) may be correlated with mineral occurrence (References 81 and 82).

These theories indicate that the incorporation of quantified lineament information into the existing database of geological and geophysical variables may improve the scope and accuracy of the classification of mineral potential.

Several criteria constrain the selection of lineament variables. In order to be compatible with the existing data base and computation procedures, the lineaments should be represented digitally on a 2-km by 2-km cell basis. The variables should be reasonable in number for data manipulation and statistical significance (discussed in 3.2 below). Finally, the value of the variables should be determined from the lineament maps provided by GE (Reference 78).

The relationship between lineaments and mineral occurrence remains uncertain. Therefore, the process of lineament variable selection entails, first, the systematic itemization of likely variables, subject to the constraints above, and, second, the evaluation of the significance of each. Figure B-2 is a flowchart of the lineament variable selection process for this study.

From the maps of lineaments, there are essentially three parameters that can be measured:

- o Lineament length.
- Lineament azimuth.
- Lineament intersections.

Therefore, the list of possible lineament variables must consist of these parameters and combinations of them, which includes:

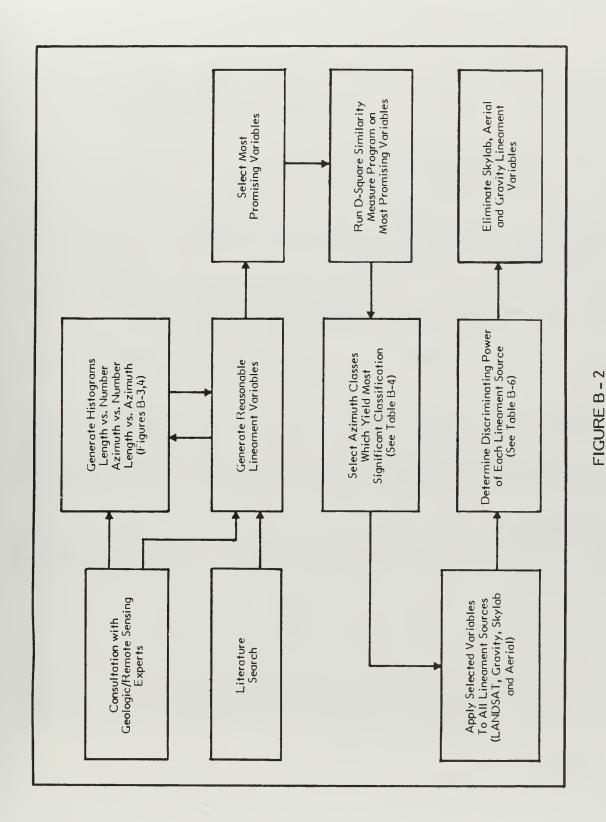
- o Number of lineaments.
- o Length of lineaments.
- o Number of intersections.
- Length of lineaments that intersect.
- Number of lineaments with a certain orientation (a range of orientations is called an azimuth class.)
- o Length of lineaments within an azimuth class.

Each of the variables involving length can be computed as length within a given cell or total length. There are other, more complicated variables that can be derived. One identifies azimuth classes (a range of lineament orientations) that are significantly correlated with mineralization and compiles variables (from the list above) involving those significant azimuth classes only (Reference 90). This method requires the prior determination of significant azimuths and is beyond the scope of this project. Another modification is to create variables that allow for the influence on a given cell of lineament parameters outside, but near, that cell. As discussed below, this was done for lineament intersections.

From this list of possible variables a set of reasonable variables (see Section 3.2.1 below) was selected. Also variables that are not supported on theoretical grounds were eliminated. This process was accomplished using inputs from an extensive literature search for theories on relationships between lineaments and mineralization and from consultation with Robert Campbell, a geologic and remote sensing Associate.

Finally, the lineament variables of Table 5 were selected by computer analysis of a test case to see which of the reasonable variables provided the most discrimination of mineral potential. The copper, lead, silver, zinc combined, or "hydrothermal" commodity category, was used for the test because of the applicability of lineament theory to hydrothermal - type mineral deposits. The geostatistical technique called D - square similarity (Appendix C of Reference 138) was used to measure the discrimination.

The details of these last two selection steps are discussed in the section below.



Flowchart Of Selection Of Lineament Variables

### 3.2 SELECTION OF LINEAMENT VARIABLES

### 3.2.1 Definition of Reasonable Variables

After the initial list of possible lineament variables was prepared, a systematic definition of reasonable variables was made based on consultation with experts and an extensive literature search. Reasonable variables are those that satisfy the criteria discussed above, namely:

- Compatible with existing data bases.
- o Limited to a manageable number.
- o Obtainable from the lineament maps provided.

The manageable number limitation has two components. From a practical point of view for computation, it is useful to restrict the number of variables. More importantly, to maintain statistical significance, the variables must occur frequently enough to provide discriminating power. Too fine a partition of the data, for example assigning azimuth to the nearest degree, means very low correlations between mineralization and the variables will exist, since very few cells with mineralization will have any particular variable value. For this reason, using the azimuth example again, classes of azimuths are defined. Each class is equivalent to a range of orientations.

Attributes of lineament variables that satisfy the "reasonable" criteria are discussed below.

Length

Due to the limitations of mapping lineament locations (± 1.3 km for LANDSAT) and the use of a 2-km by 2-km grid cell size, lineaments and intersections could be incorrectly drawn through cells adjacent to their actual location. Therefore, variable categories especially sensitive to exact location such as those involving the quantifier "length within a cell" were not considered meaningful and were eliminated.

### Intersections

In order to allow for the effect lineament intersections could have on nearby cells, and to reduce the effect of location error for intersections, a rating system for weighting neighbor cells was developed (shown schematically below with each fraction representing a separate cell):

1/8 1/4 1/8 1/4 1 1/4 1/8 1/4 1/8

Each factor is proportional to the inverse of the square of the distance between cell centers. Thus, for variables involving lineament intersections, the cell value would be defined as the sum of the value in the cell plus one - fourth the sum in adjacent cells plus one - eighth the sum of values in corner cells.

### **Azimuth**

Azimuth can take on a value between 0° and 180°. (Note lineaments with azimuths of 10° and 190° are indistinguishable because every lineament is associated with two directions, each 180° apart). Azimuth classes are uniquely defined by the number of classes and an origin. For instance, four azimuth classes implies that intervals of 45° will be the range for orientations of the same class, but the actual boundaries of the

intervals is indefinite. An origin of  $0^{\circ}$  means the intervals are  $0^{\circ}$  -  $45^{\circ}$ ,  $45^{\circ}$  -  $90^{\circ}$ ,  $90^{\circ}$  -  $135^{\circ}$ , and  $135^{\circ}$  -  $180^{\circ}$ . On the other hand, an origin of 22.5° means the intervals are 337.5° through 360° to 22.5°, 22.5° - 67.5°, 67.5° - 112.5°, and 112.5° - 157.5°.

To aid the evaluation of azimuth groupings, several histograms were prepared:

- Number versus length (Figure B 3). 0
- 0 Number versus azimuth (Figure B - 3).
- Cumulative length versus azimuth (Figure B 4).

Examination of the histograms (Figure B - 4) shows that LANDSAT imagery has the most sensitivity to differences in the intervals and origins of azimuth groupings. For this reason, all subsequent tests to examine the effectiveness of the various azimuth groupings were made using the LANDSAT lineament data.

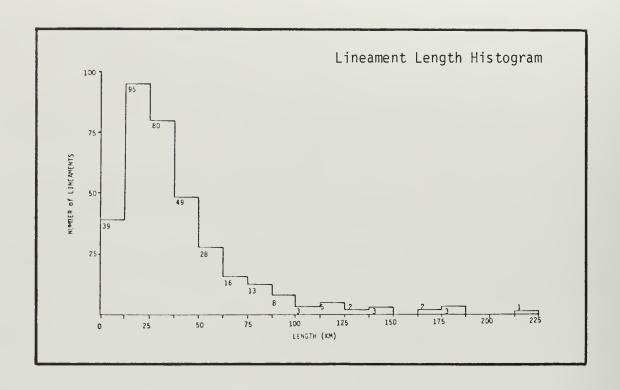
Eight azimuth groupings were selected for computer testing to provide a range of potential variables:

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- Eight classes,  $(22 \text{ I}/2^{\circ})$  origin at  $0^{\circ}$ . Eight classes,  $(22 \text{ I}/2^{\circ})$  origin at  $7.5^{\circ}$ . 0
- Eight classes, (22 1/2°) origin at 15°. 0
- 0
- 0
- Six classes, (30°) origin at 0°. Six classes, (30°) origin at 15°. Four classes, (45°) origin at 0°. 0
- Four classes, (45°) origin at 22.5°. 0
- One class (i.e., no subdivision for azimuth). 0

### 3.2.2 Computer Tests of Lineament Variables

Test discrimination programs were run on the combined copper, lead, silver, zinc, or "hydrothermal" commodity category for the eight preliminary azimuth groupings and the case with no lineament variables and the results compared (Table B - I). Although there is little, if any, significant difference among grouping schemes in the Chi-square test results, the azimuth grouping with 8 divisions and an origin of 15 degrees yielded a classification which was not bettered by any other scheme. Furthermore, this azimuth grouping offers the option of consolidation of variables to four or two divisions, and was, therefore, selected. All grouping schemes show significant discriminating power.

The last step of variable selection was performed again using the "hydrothermal" test case. The 20 selected variables for each lineament type (LANDSAT, gravity, aerial, Skylab) were used to determine the improved effectiveness of adding gravity, aerial or Skylab lineament data to LANDSAT alone. As shown in Table B - 2 gravity, Skylab and aerial lineament variables produced no significant increase in the discriminating power. The aerial and Skylab tests were made only on areas where data exist (Figure B - I). On the basis of these results, the gravity, Skylab and aerial lineament variables were not used for further DFA analysis.



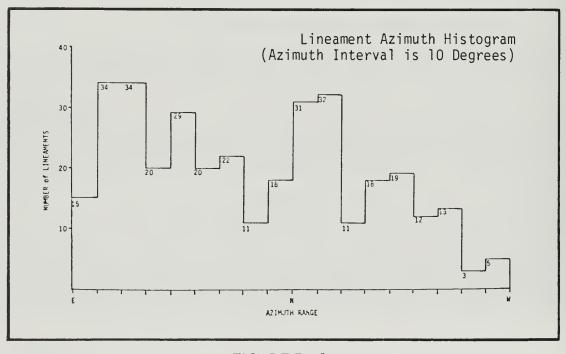
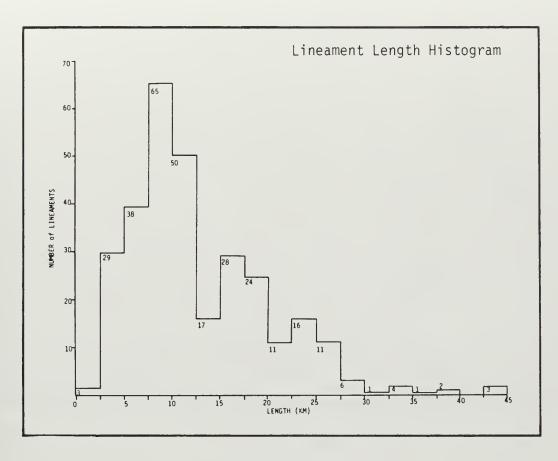


FIGURE B - 3
Lineament Length And Azimuth Histograms:
LANDSAT



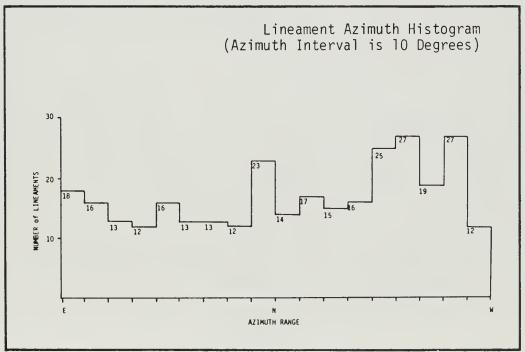
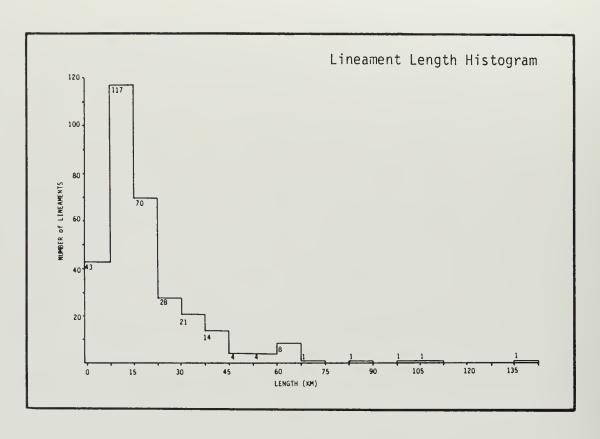


FIGURE B - 3

Lineament Length And Azimuth Histograms: (Continued) AERIAL



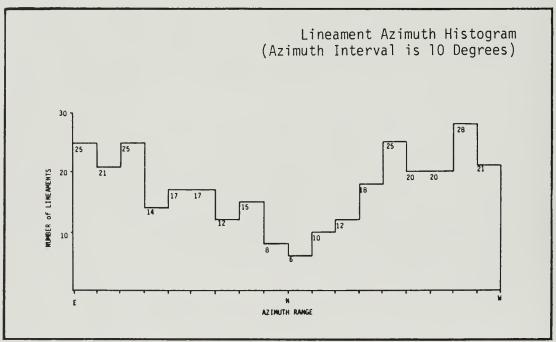


FIGURE B - 3

Lineament Length And Azimuth Histograms:
(Continued)
SKYLAB

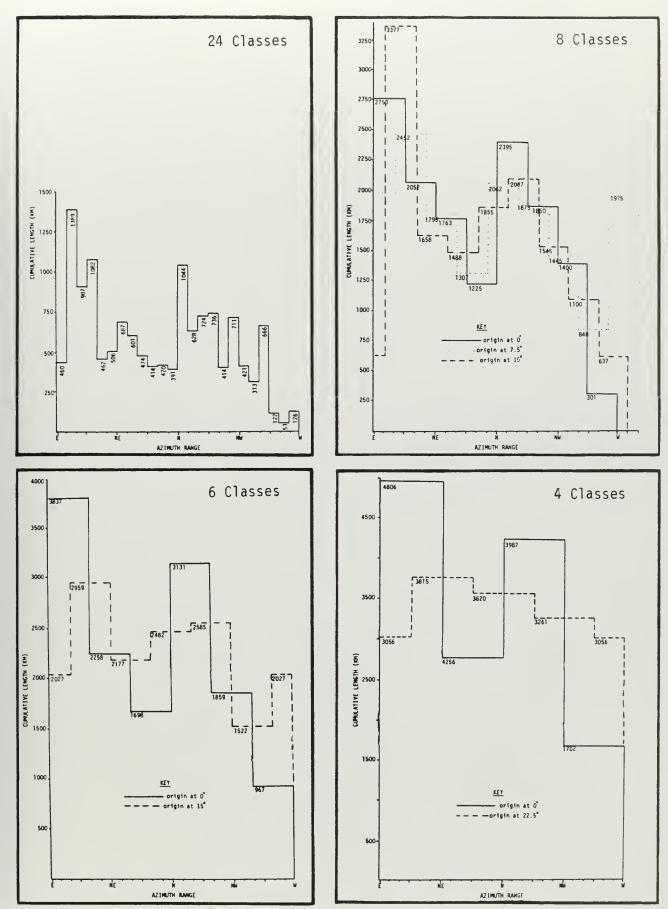


FIGURE B - 4

Cumulative Length Of Lineaments In Different Azimuth Classes: LANDSAT

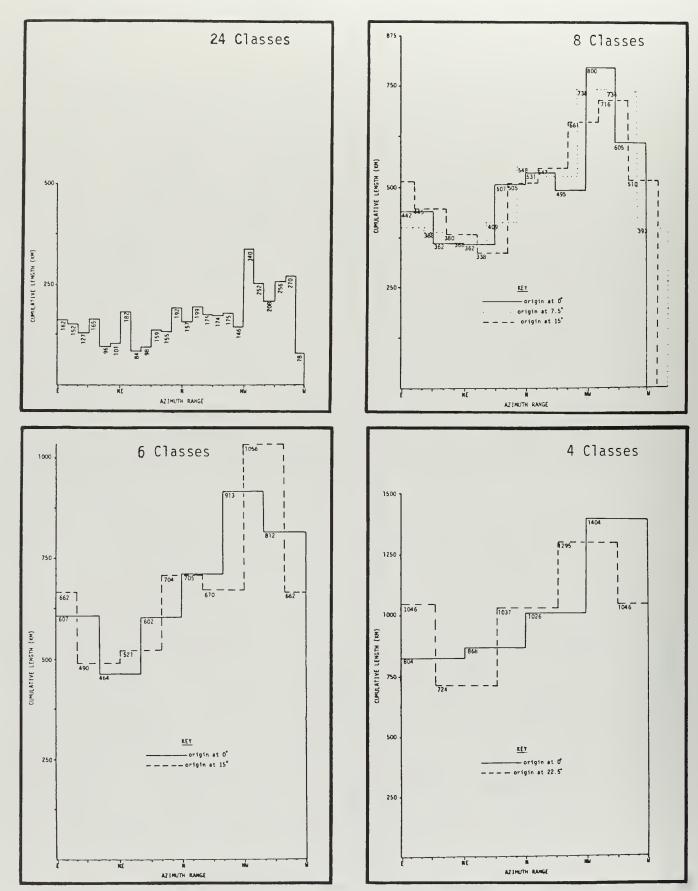


FIGURE B - 4

Cumulative Length Of Lineaments In Different Azimuth Classes: (Contined)
AERIAL

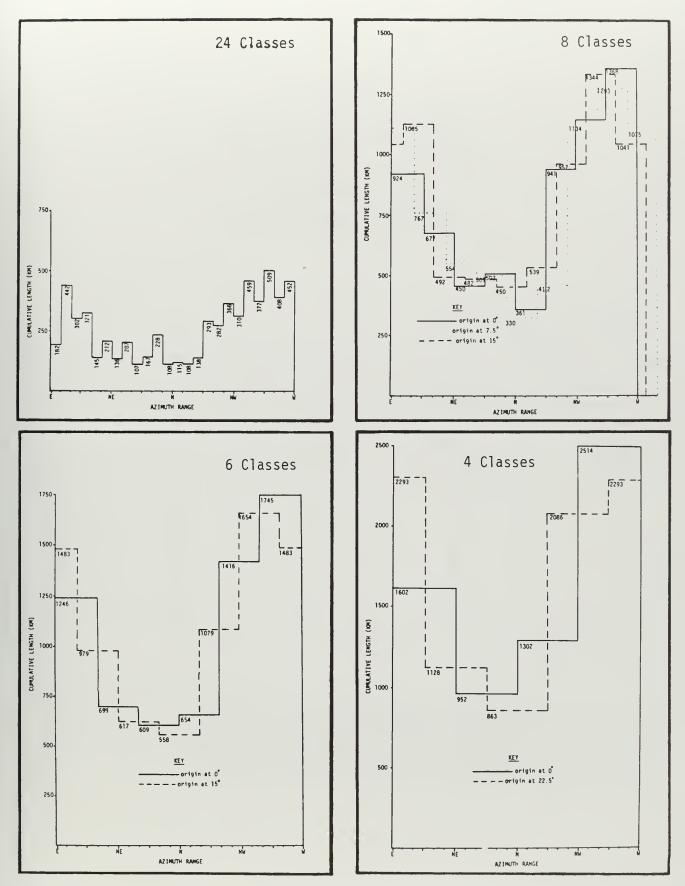


FIGURE B - 4

Cumulative Length Of Lineaments In Different Azimuth Classes: (Continued) SKYLAB

### TABLE B - I

### Measure Of Discriminating Power Of LANDSAT Lineament Variables

### Copper, Lead, Silver, Zinc Combined Case 451 Occurrences Total

				Per	cent	
Occurrence if a re (chi-squar			10	25	50	75
ACTUAL OCCURR	ENCES PREDICTED	BY D-SQUARE:				
Number of Azimuth Classes	Azimuth Class Origin (degrees)	Degrees of Freedom	Perce	ent of	Occur	rences
8 8 8 6 6 4 4 1 No lineament	0 7.5 15 0 15 0 22.5 0 variables	57 57 57 53 53 49 49 49	73 71 73 71 71 70 73 69 72	76 74 76 75 73 72 74 74	79 78 80 79 77 76 78 76 77	81 80 82 80 80 79 81 80

I Each case should be compared to a chi - square distribution with corresponding degrees of freedom. The numbers in this row represent the expected percent of occurrences for a chi - square distribution. The more any case's percent of occurrences exceeds the chi - square distribution (Reference 95), the more significant the discriminating power of that case is.

TABLE B - 2

Measure Of Discriminating Power
Of Lineament Variables By Source

			Perc	ent	
Occurrence if a random samp (chi-square)	le l	10	25	50	75
Lineament Variables	Total Number Of Occurrence Cells	Perce	nt of	Occur	rences
LANDSAT	451	73	76	80	82
Gravity and LANDSAT	451	64	67	69	72
Aerial and LANDSAT	195	58	62	64	65
Skylab and LANDSAT	225	69	70	72	74
No lineament variable	451	72	74	77	78

Each case should be compared to a chi - square distribution with corresponding degrees of freedom. The numbers in this row represent the expected percent of occurrences for a chi - square distribution. The more any case's percent of occurrences exceeds the chi - square distribution, the more significant the discriminating power of that case is.



### 4. SELECTION OF GEOCHEMICAL VARIABLES

BLM collected 2,500 samples from 1,250 locations for geochemical analysis. Two separate samples were collected at each location. One sample was separated with a - 500 micron mesh. The second sample was developed into a heavy mineral concentrate. Four subareas of the CDCA were sampled, representing about 50 percent of the area. These areas, designated as A, B, C and D, are shown in Figure B - 5. Each sample was analyzed using semi - quantitative spectrographic methods to determine concentrations of 65 elements (see Table B - 3). Fifteen elements each from the sieved samples and the heavy mineral concentrates were selected for mapping and for DFA. The selection process is discussed below.

- I. Magnetic tapes containing the sampling results were obtained from USGS. The data were then placed in a computerized data base.
- 2. The data were screened to identify those elements with insufficient data. Many elements were not measurable at a large number of sample locations due to limitations in the measurement procedures or due to very low concentrations and, therefore, provide only very limited information. Tables B 4 and B 5 list elements which were not measurable at a large proportion of the sample locations. They cannot provide discriminating power in mineral potential estimates. Thus, those elements were eliminated from further analysis.
- 3. For the remaining elements, Product Moment Correlation Coefficients were calculated as shown in Table B 6. (A discussion of the Pearson Product Moment Correlation Coefficient is contained in Appendix D). Tables B 7 and B 8 are summary lists of elements that are highly correlated with other elements for sieved samples and heavy mineral concentrates, respectively. These elements were eliminated from further analysis.
- 4. As a result of the recommendation of Dr. John Awald, a geochemical consultant, the following sieved sample elements were eliminated from further analysis: calcium, strontium, aluminum, germanium, gadolinium and erbium. These six elements were judged to be unimportant for discrimination. The final 30 elements are listed in Table B 9.
- 5. For the remaining elements, the standard statistical measures were calculated. These measures include the mean, mode, maximum and standard deviation (see Appendix D for definitions of these terms). These statistics were calculated for each of the four sampling areas and for all sampling areas combined. The results are shown in Tables B 10 and B 11. As a check, these statistics were compared with those calculated by the USGS. In all cases, the results were comparable.

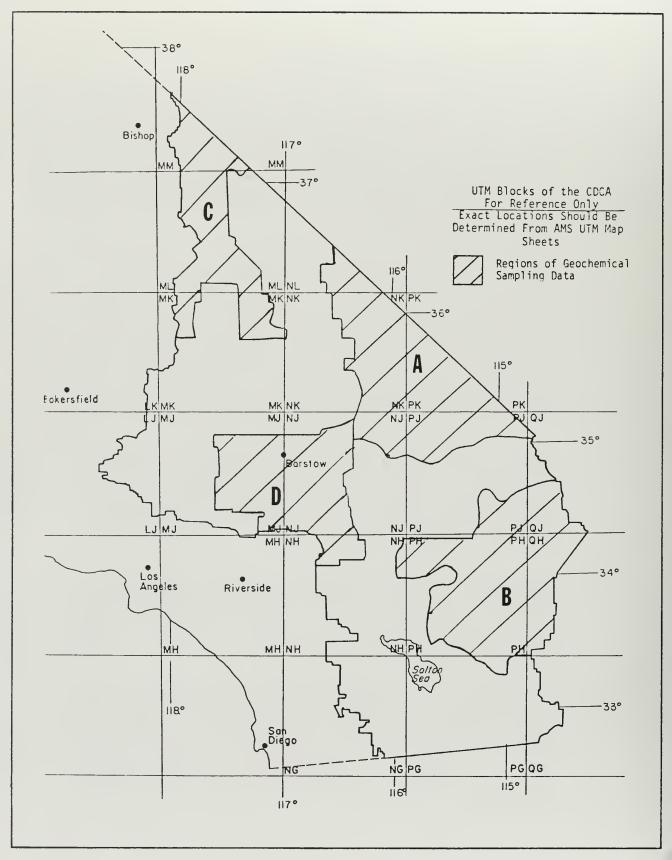


FIGURE B - 5

Map Of CDCA Showing Regions Of Geochemical Sampling

TABLE B - 3

Geochemical Sampling Data:
Elements

Number	Element	Symbol	<u>Units*</u>	Number	Element	Symbol	<u>Units</u> *
1	Iron	Fe	percent	33	Zinc	Zn	ppm
2	Magnesium	Mg	percent	34	Zirconium	Zr	ppm
3	Calcium	Ca	percent	35	Silicon	Si	percent
4	Titanium	Ti	percent	36	Aluminum	ΑI	percent
5	Manganese	Mn	ppm	37	Sodium	Na	percent
6	Silver	Ag	ppm	38	Potassium	K	percent
7	Arsenic	As	ppm	39	Phosphorus	Р	percent
8	Gold	Aυ	ppm	40	Cerium	Ce	ppm
9	Boron	В	ppm	41	Gallium	Ga	ppm
10	Barium	Ba	ppm	42	Germanium	Ge	ppm
11	Beryllium	Ве	ppm	43	Hafnium	Hf	ppm
12	Bismuth	Bi	ppm	44	Indium	ln	ppm
13	Cadmium	Cd	ppm	45	Lithium	Li	ppm
14	Colbalt	Со	ppm	46	Rhenium	Re	ppm
15	Chromium	Cr	ppm	47	Tantalum	Ta	ppm
16	Copper	Cu	ppm	48	Thorium	Th	ppm
17	Lanthanum	La	ppm	49	Thallium	TI	ppm
18	Molybdenum	Мо	ppm	50	Ytterbium	Yb	ppm
19	Niobium	Nb	ppm	51	Praseodymium		ppm
20	Nickel	Ni	ppm	52	Neodymium	Nd	ppm
21	Lead	РЬ	ppm	53	Samarium	Sm	ppm
22	Palladium	Pd	ppm	54	Europium	Ευ	ppm
23	Platinum	Pt	ppm	55	Gadolinium	Gd	ppm
24	Antimony	Sb	ppm	56	Terbium	Tb	ppm
25	Scandium	Sc	ppm	57	Dysoprosium	Dy	ppm
26	Tin	Sn	ppm	58	Holmium	Ho	ppm
27	Strontium	Sr	ppm	59	Erbium	Er	ppm
28	Technetium	Tc	ppm	60	Thulium	Tm	ppm
29	Uranium	Ų	ppm	61	Lutetium	Lu	ppm
30	Vanadium	٧	ppm	62	lridium	lr	ppm
31	Tungsten	W	ppm	63	Osmium	Os	ppm
32	Yttrium	Υ	ppm	64	Rhodium	Rh	ppm
				65	Ruthenium	Ru	ppm

<sup>\*</sup>ppm = parts per million

TABLE B - 4

Geochemical Sampling Data:
Low Frequency Elements

### Sieved Samples

Element Number Symbol		Not Measurable (Number of Samples)	No Reading (Number of Samples)	Combined Percent of Total*
6 7 8 12 13 22 23 24 26 28 29 31 39 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 51 53 56 57 58 60 61 62 63 64 65	Ags Aui CPtb Snc WP HILie TTT Prmbyomulrshu Irsh Ru	1094 1200 1202 1199 1182 1209 1199 1200 1164 1198 1198 1202 1171 1234 1192 1206 1234 1158 1113 1076 1145 1166 1229 1075 1197 1234 1234 1230 1234 1234 1234 1234 1234 1234	9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9	89 97 97 96 97 97 97 94 100 97 95 100 96 97 100 94 91 87 93 94 100 87 98 100 100 100 100 100 100

<sup>\* 1243</sup> Total Samples

TABLE B - 5

Geochemical Sampling Data:
Low Frequency Elements

# Heavy Mineral Concentrate Samples

Eler Number	ment Symbol	Not Measurable (Number of Samples)	No Reading (Number of Samples)	Combined Percent of Total*
7 8 12 13 22 23 24 28 29 31 35 37 39 44 45 46 47 48 49 56 57 58 60 61 62 63 64 65	Asuidde Ptb C W Sia P I Lie Athibyo murshu Ran TTD Homurshu Ru	1235 1231 1161 1020 1239 1186 1237 1195 1200 1215 1239 1040 1239 1236 1157 1038 1087 1098 1117 1142 1164 1213 1239 1239	4 4 3 3 3 3 1243 3 3 1242 1242 1242 3 3 3 3 3 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 3 3 3 3	100 99 94 82 100 96 100 100 98 100 84 100 100 93 84 88 89 90 92 94 98 100 100

<sup>\*1243</sup> Total Samples

TABLE B - 6

Geochemical Sampling Data: Pearson Product Moment Carrelation Coefficients

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Sieved Samples   3.55 4.55 8.50	0 16 -0 05 -0 15 0 14	0 07	0 08 0 18 0 16 0 16	0.03	0.00 0.22 0.19 0.18	0.17 0.00 0.00 0.00	90 0	3.8	-0.03	0.35	0.06 0.13 -0.09 0.10	0.05	6.0 6.0 8.0 8.0	0.17	0.39 0.17 0.33 0.08	0.01 0.36 0.36 0.44	0.85 0.85 0.75	ľ	
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Sieved Samples   ₽ <sup>2</sup> 2	9.14 0.02 0.14 0.21	0 05 0 03 0 04	0.00 0.58 11.0 11.0	0.08	0 09 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	-0 04 0 53 0 21 0 0.03		9r V51	0.37	0.33	0.07 0.15 -0.01 0.11	0.10 0.05 0.59 0.18	0.00	0.05	8 0 0 8 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0104 0 90 0 36 0 54	و و د		
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TABLE B - 7

Geochemical Sampling Data:
Highly Correlated Elements

# Sieved Samples

Elem Number		Correlated Variables
Maumet.	Symbol 1	(Correlation Coefficient)
1	Fe	Mo(.83), V(.83)
17	La	Ti(.48), Mn(.43), Mo(.47)
20	Ni	Cr(.76)
25	Sc	Ti(.53), Cr(.51), Al(.33)
32	Υ	Mn(.56), Ti(.60), Ce(.62), Nb(.62)
34	Zr	Mn(.48), Ti(.50), Nb(.56)
35	Si	A1(.60), Ca(.34), Mg(.33)
37	Na	A1(.63), Sr(.40)
38	К	A1(.55), Ba(.47)
41	Ga	Ti(.50), V(.54), Ce(.55)
50	Yb	Mn(.49), Nb(.55), Ce(.52)
52	Nd	Ce(.53)
54	Eu	Ti(.52), V(.50), Ce(.56)

TABLE B - 8

Geochemical Sampling Data:
Highly Correlated Elements

# Heavy Mineral Concentrates

Elem	ient	Correlated Variables
Number	Symbol	(Correlation Coefficient)
1	Fe	Ti(.70), Mn(.66)
3	Ca	Mg(.61)
9	В	Mo(.46)
17	La	Ce(.82)
19	Nb	Ti(.76), Mn(.65)
20	Ni	Cr(.74)
25	Sc	Mn(.58), Ti(.56), Ce(.47)
27	Sr	Ba(.46)
30	V	Ti(.75), Mn(.61)
32	Υ	Mn(.51), Ti(.47), Ce(.53)
34	Zr	Ti(.72), Mn(.54)
36	Al	K(.51)
41	Ga	Mn(.47), Ti(.48), Ce(.47)
42	Ge	Ce(.55), Ti(.46), Mn(.50)
43	Hf	Ti(.62), Mn(.48)
50	Yb	Mn(.64), Ti(.55), Ce(.71)
51	Pr	Ce(.90)
52	Nd	Ce(.82)
53	Sm	Ce(.84)
54	Eu	Ti(.51), Ce(.79)
55	Gd	Ti(.56), Ce(.60)
59	Er	Ce(.51)

TABLE B - 9

Geochemical Sampling Data:
Elements Selected For Contouring And DFA

Sieved Samples	Heavy Mineral Concentrates
Mg	Mg
Ti	Ti
Mn	Mn
В	Ag
Ba	Ba
Ве	Ве
Со	Со
Cr	Cr
Cυ	Cυ
Мо	Мо
Nb	Pb
Pb	Sn
V	Zn
Zn	K
Се	Се

### TABLE B - 10

# Geochemical Sampling Data: Basic Statistics For Selected Elements

# Sieved Samples

Element (units)	Sampling Area (see fig. B5)	Mode	Mean	Maximum Sample Value	Standard Deviation
Magnesium (percent)	AII A B C D	.2  .2  .4  .3  .2	.4  .3  .2  .9  .0	13.0 12.0 11.0 13.0 3.1	1.1 1.2 0.8 1.5 0.6
Titanium (percent)	AII A B C D	1.4 2.2 2.2 1.4 1.5	0.7 0.7 0.9 0.6 0.7	4.3 2.2 4.3 2.1 2.2	0.5 0.5 0.6 0.4 0.4
Manganese (ppm)	AII A B C D	1,100 250 1,100 1,100	748 702 930 620 690	10,000 7,100 10,000 2,000 4,200	684 657 964 343 435
Boron (ppm)	AII A B C D	5.0 5.0 5.0 5.0 5.0	24.4 22.4 25.2 31.9 19.2	250 200 250 190 250	28.1 23.0 31.3 28.5 27.7
Barium (ppm)	AII A B C D	1,100 530 670 440 1,100	700 655 702 611 831	4,600 4,300 4,600 2,100 4,600	440 342 438 267 613
Beryllium (ppm)	AII A B C D	.0   .0   .0   .0   .0	3.5 3.3 3.9 3.9 3.0	15.0 15.0 9.7 8.7 6.2	1.8 1.8 1.8 2.0 1.3
Cobalt (ppm)	AII A B C D	.0     .0     2.0       .0     3.0	4.2     1.4   17.8   4.3   13.2	1,000 68 1,000 41 49	29.6 8.7 53.6 8.4 8.9
Chromi um (ppm)	AII A B C D	17.0 12.0 11.0 15.0 23.0	42.5 36.4 47.5 50.4 37.2	280 250 220 260 280	39.1 34.1 38.3 46.8 36.9

Table B - 10

# Geochemical Sampling Data: Basic Statics For Selected Elements

# Sieved Samples (Continued)

Element (units)	Sampling Area (see fig. B5)	Mode	Mean	Maximum Sample Value	Standard Deviation
Copper (ppm)	AII A B C D	12.0 13.0 12.0 12.0 11.0	25.2 24.7 29.9 24.8 20.6	2,200 1,200 2,200 150 120	73.5 66.0 118.6 20.5 17.1
Molybdenum (ppm)	AII A B C D	3.9 2.7 3.8 10.0 2.0	9.7 8.2 14.0 9.4 6.5	180 99 130 180 79	14.9 12.6 19.6 13.4 9.7
Niobium (ppm)	AII A B C D	16.0 24.0 32.0 18.0 12.0	29.1 25.7 44.3 20.6 21.7	870 180 870 86 84	38.6 20.4 65.2   .6   3.6
Lead (ppm)	AII A B C D	19.0 15.0 19.0 16.0 20.0	28.6 35.2 24.4 28.6 25.4	1,800 1,800 130 500 400	65.0 104.3 14.2 61.1 33.7
Vanadium (ppm)	AII A B C D		113.8 94.3 143.2 97.2 116.8	1,100 900 1,100 820 1,100	123.5 106.5 144.1 103.9 125.2
Zinc (ppm)	AII A B C D	0.0   0.0   0.0   0.0	96.2 99.5 103.5 110.5 70.3	7,100 7,100 510 1,100 400	215 377 76 121 43
Cerium (ppm)	AII A B C D	46.0 46.0 130.0 120.0 46.0	166.0 143.7 249.2 132.4 119.8	2,900 2,900 1,700 960 1,600	210.3 225.9 275.9 90.7 123.1

# TABLE B - 11

# Geochemical Sampling Data: Basic Statistics For Selected Elements

# Heavy Mineral Concentrates

Element (units)	Sampling Area (see Fig. B5)	Mode	Mean	Maximum Sample Value	Standard Deviation
Magnesium (percent)	AII A B C D	.   .2  .   .8  .6	2.5 2.6 2.1 3.2 2.1	65.0 65.0 17.0 24.0 10.0	3.1 4.3 2.0 3.3 1.5
Titanium (percent)	AII A B C D	1.5 2.3 2.2 1.4 1.5	2.0 2.1 2.9 0.7 1.7	20.0 20.0 20.0 4.0 6.9	2.1 2.1 2.7 0.7 1.1
Manganese (ppm)	AII A B C D	1,200 1,700 2,000 1,200 1,300	3,611 4,200 5,090 1,350 2,996	20,000 20,000 20,000 20,000 20,000	4,074 4,448 4,682 I,918 3,045
Silver (ppm)	AII A B C D	0.9 0.9 0.9 0.9 0.9	1.9 2.2 1.8 1.6	100 70 36 70 100	5.9 6.1 3.2 5.2 8.3
Barium (ppm)	AII A B C D	1,300 1,300 1,300 1,100 1,300	1,105 979 1,179 1,001 1,267	9,300 9,300 9,300 9,300 9,300	1,498 1,312 1,179 1,098 1,626
Beryllium (ppm)	AII A B C D	2.0 2.0 2.0 2.0 2.0	3.8 4.3 4.3 3.3 2.9	87.0 72.0 77.0 87.0 81.0	6.4 6.9 6.2 7.5 4.9
Cobalt (ppm)	AII A B C D	20.0 20.0 27.0 23.0 16.0	49.3 46.8 63.5 35.5 46.5	2,000 200 2,000 300 350	78.1 37.7 130.9 33.4 46.9
Chromi um (ppm)	AII A B C D	120 140 130 16 110	112 129 125 106 79	1,500 970 780 1,500 680	129 133 96 191 76

TABLE B - II

# Geochemical Sampling Data: Basic Statistics For Selected Elements

# Heavy Mineral Concentrates (Continued)

		(Continue	u)		
Element (units)	Sampling Area (see fig. B5)	Mode	Mean	Maximum Sample Value	Standard Deviation
Copper (ppm)	AII A B C D	110 110 110 36 15	84 100 118 47 53	7,200 7,100 7,200 290 250	294 380 389 42 43
Molybdenum (ppm)	A I A B C D	2.0 12.0 2.0 2.0 2.0	14.9 18.2 19.3 9.2 10.1	580 320 230 580 240	26.6 24.7 22.9 38.0 18.5
Lead (ppm)	A I A B C D	38.0 31.0 38.0 19.0	111.5 136.6 84.1 98.1 125.8	7,000 2,400 770 3,700 7,000	325 218 102 359 528
Tin (ppm)	AII A B C D	9.3 9.3 9.3 9.3 9.3	15.3 17.5 18.2 10.3 13.2	610 610 180 54 81	21.7 34.9 17.0 4.8 9.2
Zinc (ppm)	AII A B C D	0     10   190   20   20	238 292 301 157 158	9,000 9,000 1,600 2,400 880	350 563 217 227 106
Potassium (percent)	AII A B C D	. 5   . 4   . 5   . 7   . 7	1.9 2.1 1.8 1.8 2.1	7.3 7.3 3.9 4.5 5.6	0.8 I.0 0.6 0.7 0.8
Cerium (ppm)	AII A B C D	1,100 1,100 1,300 93 1,400	1,015 954 1,619 384 883	17,000 10,000 17,000 2,800 11,000	1,288 1,161 1,708 308 1,020

#### 5. ENCODING DATA

#### 5.1 GRID SYSTEM FOR RECORDING DATA

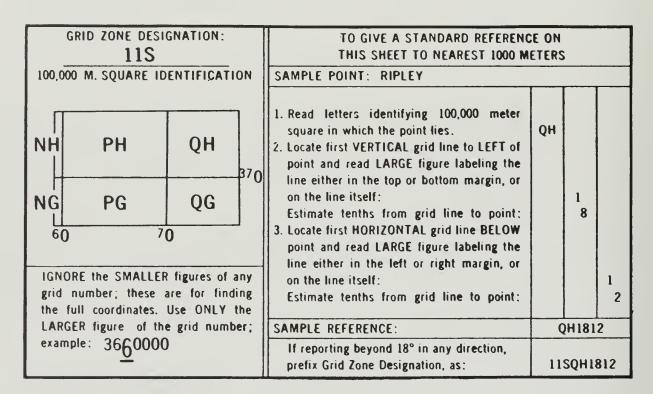
The base maps used for the California Desert Planning Project are the USGS Map Series V502, Universal Transverse Mercater (UTM) Projection, scale 1:250,000. With the UTM grid system, any location can be uniquely identified as shown below and in Figure B - 6. Figure I of the main report shows the UTM Blocks for the CDCA. UTM locations are defined by the following (References 62 - 75):

#### where:

NNA is the grid zone designator (The entire CDCA is in grid zone IIS. It is, therefore, not coded) BB is the 100 kilometer by 100 kilometer square identifier or "UTM Block" is the easting distance from the zero line of the UTM block is tens of kilometers  $M_1$  is kilometers is hundreds of meters Ma Mu is tens of meters (NOTE: if only 2 Ms appear it is assumed they are  $M_1$  and  $M_2$ .) is the northing distance from the zero line of the UTM block. is tens of kilometers is kilometers is hundreds of meters is tens of meters (NOTE: if only 2 Ls appear, it is assumed they are  $L_1$  and  $L_2$ ).

For the purpose of recording data, each UTM block is divided in cells of 2 km square. There are  $50 \times 50 = 2500$  such cells per UTM block. A unique identifier for each cell is the two-letter UTM block, a two-digit column number and a two-digit row number. Figure B - 7 illustrates the cell numbering system.

FIGURE B - 6
Explanation Of UTM System\*



# SALTON SEA, CALIF.; ARIZ. 1959 REVISED 1969

<sup>\*</sup> Copied from the Salton Sea, California; and Arizona Map Sheet (Reference 56).

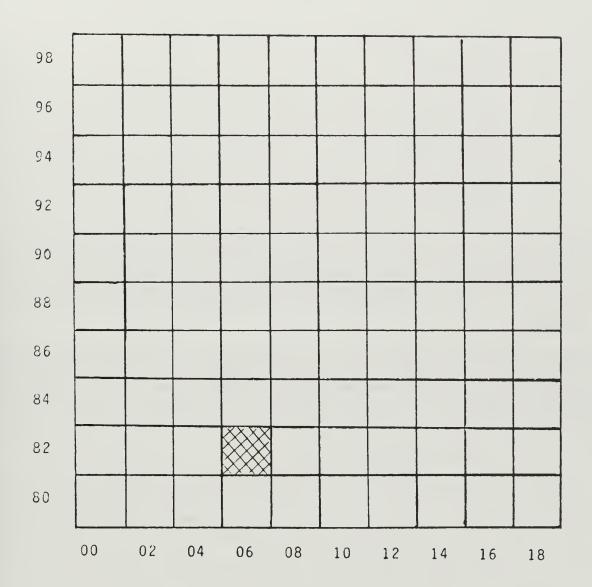


FIGURE B - 7

Portion Of A UTM Block Divided Into Cells
UTM Block PG

(Hatched cell is PG0682)

#### 5.2 USE OF GEOLOGIC MAPS

The 1:250,000 scale Geologic Maps of California, published by the CDMG were used to determine the geologic variables of each cell. The following map sheets, covering the entire CDCA, were used:

- Mariposa
- o Fresno
- Death Valley
- o Trona
- o Kingman
- Bakersfield
- Los Angeles
- San Bernardino
- Needles
- o Santa Ana
- Salton Sea
- San Diego El Centro

Since geologic maps are the basis for some of the geologic variables as defined by this study, map scale influences accuracy. The detail of each map sheet depends upon the amount of information available, the professional interpretations employed at the time of compilation, the drafting techniques used, the accuracy of reproduction and the scale of the map. In general, larger scales allow more accurate and detailed representation of the geology.

Portions of the CDCA are covered by geologic maps at scales larger than 1:250,000 (References 103 through 135). These maps were used to check the interpretation of the 1:250,000 CDMG maps. However, these larger - scale maps were not used for encoding geological variables because different degrees of detail would introduce a degree of statistical bias.

#### 5.3 PREPARATION OF GRAVITY DATA

The gravity data received from Dr. Shawn Biehler, University of California at Riverside, consist of Bouguer gravity in milligals as computed at points that form a diamond pattern (see Figure B - 8 below) for most of the CDCA. For ease of computer manupulation, 1,000 milligals were added to each gravity reading. This had no influence on final results. It was only a computational convenience. The data for block PK were added from the Bouguer Gravity Map of California, Kingman Sheet, 1:250,000 (Reference 59). The data for UTM blocks LJ, LK, MK and parts of blocks NG and PG were determined from the GE "Complete Bouguer Anomalies" contour map (Reference 78) which was based on Dr. Biehler's work.

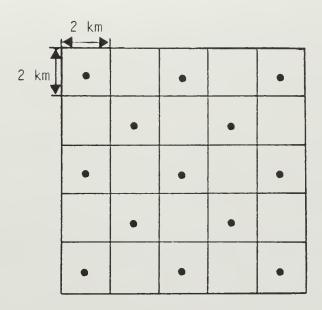


FIGURE B - 8

Diamond Pattern of Gravity Data

Since geostatistical routines were performed on a 4-km by 4-km cell basis, the two values in each 4-km cell were averaged and included in the geologic data file for 4-km cells. This means that, while gravity data are contained in the geologic data file for 4-km cells, they are not contained in the data file for the 2-km cells. In cases where only one value was provided for a 4-km cell (on the borders of sections where no data were provided), that single value was taken for the entire cell (Reference 60).

#### 5.4 ENCODING GEOLOGIC AND GEOPHYSICAL VARIABLES

## 5.4.1 Encoding System

The variables were encoded as follows:

- 1. UTM blocks and cells were drawn on the CDMG geologic maps.
- 2. Using a fine mesh counting grid, the proportion of each lithologic unit was estimated for each cell.
- 3. The length of contacts and the number, length and curvature of each type of fault was recorded for each cell.
- 4. Data were encoded, verified and placed on magnetic tape.

Table B - 12 shows the units used for encoding each variable.

#### 5.4.2 Fault Curvature

The curvature of a fault is measured by the smallest radius of any arc of a fault in a cell. That is, the degree of curvature in a cell is represented by the portion of a fault which, if continued to form a circle, would have the smallest radius of any such circles formed in the cell. Five classifications (Table B - 13) were used: I indicates no curvature or a straight fault; 9 indicates a radius of one kilometer (i.e., a fault that might form a complete circle inside one cell).

Faults are not uniformly curved and often do not fit nicely into one of the categories described. Some of the types of faults that are difficult to classify and their classifications are shown in Figure B - 9.

#### 5.5 ENCODING LINEAMENT VARIABLES

As discussed in Section 3 of this appendix, selection of appropriate lineament variables required several analytical steps. In order to allow greater flexibility of variable selection and testing, a system was developed for encoding lineaments that did not predetermine which variables would be ultimately selected. Under this system lineaments are described by the coordinates of the end-points of the closest fitting straight line segments. From these end-points, lineament variables are calculated by computer on a cell-by-cell basis. This system permits modification of the variables without changing the data base and, therefore, without additional encoding.

The end - points of all lineament segments were encoded as follows:

- 1. UTM blocks were drawn on each of the lineament maps.
- 2. Each lineament was numbered for each of the four lineament types (LANDSAT, gravity, Skylab, aerial).
- 3. Each lineament was approximated by one or more straight—line segments.
- 4. Using a fine mesh UTM grid overlay, the coordinates of the end points for each straightline segment were determied.
- 5. Segment end point data were encoded and verified.

From the lineament segment end-point data, the length, azimuth and intersection of lineaments were calculated by computer. The selected lineament variables (see Section 3) were determined for each cell for each of the four lineament types. Finally, a file was created containing the value of each of the 20 variables for each lineament type (80 variables total) for each 2-km by 2-km cell of the CDCA.

TABLE B - 12

Geologic And Geophysical Variable Quantifiers

<u>Variable</u>	Numbers	Quantifier	<u>Units</u>
Geologic map units	1-18	Proportion	25 <sup>ths</sup>
Geologic contacts	19-33	Length	0.4 km
Fault lengths	34,36	Length	0.4 km
Number of faults	35,37	Number	no units
Fault intersections	38	Number	no units
Fault curvature	39,40	See description in text	
Bouguer gravity	41		mgals + 1000

TABLE B - 13

Measurement Of Degree Of Fault Curvature

Curvature Measure	Definition
	Straight line
3	Arc with 8 to 4 km radius
5	Arc with 4 to 2 km radius
7	Arc with 2 to 1 km radius
9	Arc with 1 km radius or smaller

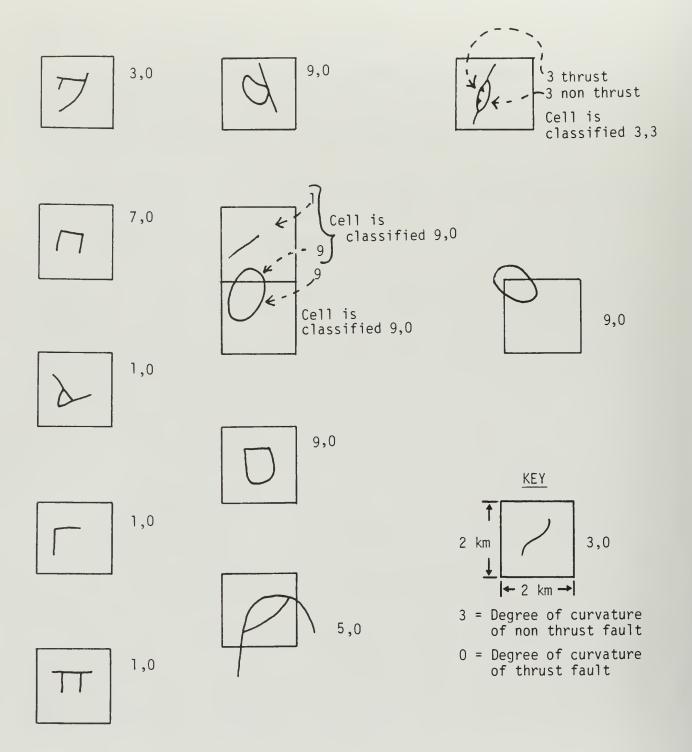


FIGURE B - 9
Sample Classifications Of Fault Curvature

#### 5.6 ENCODING TONAL ANOMALIES

As part of a contract with BLM, GE has mapped areas of tonal anomalies interpreted from LANDSAT images. These areas might be representative of hydrothermal alterations (Reference 139). No field checks have been made yet to verify the correspondence between the tonal anomalies and hydrothermal alterations. Tonal anomalies were mapped in three areas of the CDCA, each approximately 80 kilometers by 80 kilometers (see Figure B - 10). In total these areas represent less than 20 percent of the CDCA.

These variables were encoded for tonal anomalies as follows (see Table B - 6):

- Total size of anomalies touching the cell
  Using a fine mesh counting grid, the size of each tonal anomaly was determined. The total size of all tonal anomalies partially or completely contained within a 4 km by 4 km cell was summed and assigned to that cell as the first variable.
- 2. Size of anomalies within the cell

  Using the fine mesh grid, the size of that part of each anomaly contained within a cell was determined. The sum of these values for each cell is the second variable.
- 3. Number of anomalies within the cell

  The last variable is the number of tonal anomalies partially or completely within a cell.

#### 5.7 ENCODING GEOCHEMICAL DATA

Geochemical samples were collected over scattered locations in four areas. The sample locations are approximately 10 kilometers apart on the average, but this distance varies greatly. In order for the data to be useful for discrimination of mineral potential, using DFA, a value for each element must be assigned to each cell (4 - km by 4 - km). If this is not done, DFA will assume zero values where sample data do not exist. Thus, it was necessary to interpolate a value for each 4 - km by 4 - km cell. In addition, it was necessary to provide contour maps of the geochemical sampling results to the expert panel. Sampling results for 30 elements (15 sieved samples, 15 heavy mineral concentrate samples) were mapped using the SURFACE II contouring program at the Stanford Center for Information Processing.

For the interpolation at a particular cell as well as interpolation for contouring (see Reference 140 for an explanation of the contouring routine), sample values were weighted by the inverse of the distance between the cell and the sample locations taken to the sixth power. This weighting places a strong emphasis on the sampling data and insures that anomalies will not be lost due to interpolation. A grid spacing of four kilometers was used. No transformations were made on the data. Frequently, a log-transform is applied to geochemical sampling data, but since the USGS also provided BLM with an analysis of the same data using a log-transform, that effort was not duplicated.

Each of the four sampling areas was treated separately, so 120 runs were necessary: 15 elements (sieved) plus 15 elements (heavy mineral concentrate) (see Table B - 9) times four areas. The interpolated values were then assigned to the appropriate cells.

These values were also contoured and provided to BLM as maps at 1:250,000 and 1:500,000 scales. The maps show contours of the following for each element:

- o Mean
- One standard deviation above the mean
- Two standard deviations above the mean
- Three standard deviations above the mean
- Four standard deviations above the mean

The mean and standard deviation shown on a particular map are the mean and standard deviation of the sample values of the element taken in the sample area represented by the map (see Tables B-10 and B-11). Thus, the contour levels for an element may not be comparable from one area to another.

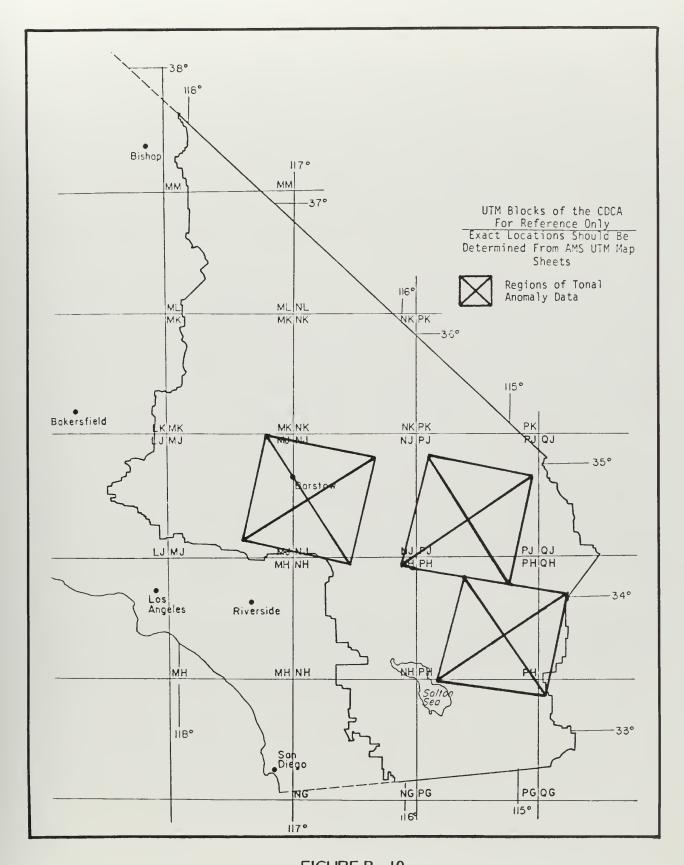


FIGURE B - 10

Map Of CDCA Showing Regions Of Tonal Anomaly Study

#### 6. TREATMENT OF AIRBORNE MAGNETIC AND RADIOMETRIC DATA

Under the National Uranium Resource Evaluation (NURE) program of the Department of Energy (DOE), airborne gamma - ray spectrometeric and aerial magnetic data are being collected on a uniform basis over a large portion of the United States. To date within the CDCA, data have been collected and processed covering the Goldfield (Mariposa), Death Valley, Trona, Kingman and Needles 1° by 2° quadrangles. Bismuth (214Bi) Thallium (208TI), and Potassium (40K) and aeromagnetic readings for these quadrangles were provided by BLM in "stacked profile" (hard copy graphics) format and digitized. The data were digitized by TERRADATA at the BLM Desert Plan Staff office in Riverside, California, using BLM computer facilities.

Each flight line flown to collect the data corresponds to four stacked profiles: one each for bismuth, thallium, potassium and magnetic. Flight lines are approximately five kilometers apart. In all but the Death Valley Quadrangle, the flight lines are oriented in an east - west direction. Because of terrain conditions in the Death Valley quadrangle, the flight lines are oriented north - south. In all quadrangles, several tie lines were flown perpendicular to the flight lines. There are over 200 flight lines and tie lines in all. Approximately 100 points were digitized for each line on the average. More points were digitized for flight lines that exhibit wide or rapid variations. Collection techniques, collection equipment, atmospheric conditions at the time of data collection and flight altitudes at the time of collection vary from quadrangle to quadrangle. The aeromagnetic data are in gammas. The other data are in counts per second.

For visual interpretation, contour maps of the readings were then produced using the SURFACE II software package at the Stanford Center for Information Processing and provided to BLM at 1:250,000 and 1:500,000 scales. Contour maps of the bismuth to thallium ratio were also produced. These maps were also used by the expert panel. In contouring the aerial data, a grid size of 4 kilometers was used. Results for each cell were interpolated from nearby cells using the inverse of the distance to the sixth power as the interpolation algorithm. (See Reference 140 for an explanation of the contouring routine).

Despite DOE's strategy for uniform data collection and processing, the airborne data vary significantly from quadrangle to quadrangle. This may be the result of the various altitudes, aircraft and other equipment employed. Because of the variability of data and the fact that only about 60 percent of the CDCA is covered by airborne data, this information was used by the expert panel but was not used for DFA.

#### - APPENDIX C -

#### **GEOSTATISTICAL ANALYSIS**

#### I. INTRODUCTION

In general terms, the geostatistical classification involves the application of statistical and analytical procedures to the reported occurrence data, and to the geologic, geophysical, geochemical and lineament data described in Appendices A and B. The geostatistical method selected for this study was discriminant function analysis (DFA). The results of applying this procedure are statistical inferences regarding the likelihood of "occurrence" of one or more Geology-Energy-Mineral (G-E-M) resources throughout the area of the California Desert Conservation Area (CDCA).

In using the results of the geostatistical analysis, the following precautions should be considered:

- o Geostatistical analysis for all types of G-E-M resources known to occur in the CDCA is not possible because few occurrences have been reported for some commodities and because the occurrence of some commodities is dependent on factors other than geology.
- The occurrence, geological, geophysical, geochemical and lineament data used in the approach are subject to error as discussed in Appendices A and B.
- All statements of probability involve the likelihood of any one of a set of events occurring. Thus, for example, even if the probability of not drawing the two of hearts from a deck of cards is 51/52 or over 98 percent, it is still possible to draw the two of hearts. Likewise, if an area is classified as an occurrence area with a probability of 99 percent, it is still possible that no resource will be found there.

This report is the result of three separate studies. The first study was a geostatistical analysis using the occurrence data described in Appendix A as the dependent variables and the first 42 geologic and geophysical variables described in Appendix B as the independent variables. For this first study, three geostatistical techniques were used: regression, cluster analysis and DFA (Reference 94). To assess the validity or confidence of the statistical results, it is desirable to have independent variables that are normally distributed. The independent variables, as compiled, are not normally distributed. Therefore, as an experiment of the first study, several transformations were applied (square root, arcsin and log) to the independent variables in an effort to make their distributions approach normality. The results of the experiment showed that no improvement in the statistical significance of the classifications was obtained, so no transformations were applied in the subsequent studies.

The second study involved the addition of the lineament variables to the set of independent variables and the use of two geostatistical techniques: D - square similarity measure and DFA (Reference 138). One result of the first two studies was that DFA was determined to be the best technique for classification.

The final study involved the addition of the geochemical and tonal anomaly data described in Appendix B to the set of independent variables and the use of DFA as the only geostatistical technique. Since the tonal anomaly and geochemical data were not available for the entire CDCA (see Appendix B) they were considered only in the regions where they were available.

This report is the summary of all these efforts. Section 2 of this appendix presents a description of discriminant function analysis, Section 3 describes the preliminary analysis of the independent variables required to insure the best classification results. The final classification results of the entire CDCA are discussed in the main report. The geochemical and tonal anomaly data were not used in those final classifications. The reason for eliminating the tonal anomaly data is given in Section 3.4 of this appendix. The reasons for eliminating the geochemical sampling data are given in Section 3.5.

#### 2. DISCRIMINANT FUNCTION ANALYSIS (DFA)

#### 2.1 PRINCIPLES OF DFA

A simplified explanation of DFA is presented in Section 3.1 of the main report. More information on DFA is in References 96 through 102.

DFA is a technique for assigning members of some set to a class. In this study the members of the set were the geographic cells (4-km by 4-km) in the CDCA, and the two classes used were: mineral resource potential and no mineral resource potential. The assignment is based on a relationship or correlation that can be identified between a dependent variable (reported mineral occurrences) and a set of known independent variables (geologic, geophysical, geochemical and lineament data, etc.). This relationship, called a discriminant function, is measured using a computer for a portion of the CDCA called the "training set." The training set is merely a subset of the entire area that is representative of the geology and mineral environment of the region as a whole. The selection of the training set is discussed in more detail in Section 2.3. A brief discussion of the calculation of the discriminant function is given in Section 2.2.

The training set cells with reported occurrences (designated "occurrence cells") are taken to be indicative of mineral resource potential. Cells with no reported occurrences (designated "non - occurrence cells") indicate no mineral resource potential. The discriminant function takes the values of the independent variables in each cell in the training set and calculates a score. If the discriminant function is valid, the scores of the known occurrence cells will be clustered, the scores of the non - occurrence cells will be clustered and the two clusters will not be close together. The mean score of each cluster, called the group mean, is calculated. The group I mean is the mean value of the scores of the occurrence cells. The group 2 mean is the corresponding value for the non - occurrence cells. One of three measures applied to test the validity of the discriminant function is the statistical significance of the separation between the group means. This is measured using an F - test (see Appendix D).

Next the discriminant function is applied to the independent variables of every cell in the CDCA, including those in the training set, to derive a score for each cell. The scores are compared to the group means. Each cell is then classified into the group which has the group mean closest to the cell's score. The second measure of the validity of the discriminant function is the percentage of known occurrence cells in the training set that are correctly classified by the discriminant function into the mineral resource potential category. The third measure of validity, and one might argue the acid test, is the percentage of known occurrence cells not in the training set, correctly classified in the mineral resource potential category. Notice that the corresponding tests for non - occurrence cells are not used, i.e., the percentage of non - occurrence cells correctly classified in the no mineral resource potential category. The reason for this is the uncertainty that a cell with no reported occurrences has no mineral potential. Indeed that cell may simply never have been explored. On the other hand there is reasonable certainty (not 100 percent) that a cell with a reported occurrence does have mineral potential.

The final result of DFA is the calculation of a probability for each cell. This probability is a measure of how close that cell's score is to the group mean of the group to which it has been assigned. A probability of 100 percent indicates that the score is identical to the mean. A 90 percent probability indicates that the score is very close to the group

mean, but not exactly the same. A 50 percent probability says the score is exactly between the two group means. The probability assigned to each cell is called the probability of correct classification. The distinction between the probability of correct classification and the probability of occurrence is that the former only measures how closely a score matches a calculated mean, while the latter also measures the correspondence between the group means and the real geologic environment of the mineral potential classes. Therefore, a key assumption in the application of DFA is that the discriminant function does, in fact, correspond mathematically to the geologic factors affecting mineralization. Because of this, separate discriminant functions are required to assess the potential of minerals not normally found in similar geologic environments. Thus, in this study, separate analyses were performed for gold; iron; manganese; tungsten and the combination of copper, lead, silver and zinc. The last group, referred to as the "hydrothermal" case, can be combined because the elements often occur in similar geologic environments.

#### 2.2 CALCULATION OF A DISCRIMINANT FUNCTION

Discriminant function analysis (DFA) is the statistical technique used in this study to classify 4-km by 4-km cells according to the likelihood of occurrence of mineral resources. This method was used to discriminate between two categories of mineral occurrence on the basis of a number of geologic, geophysical, geochemical and lineament parameters. By determining relationships between these parameters and mineral occurrences in a subset of cells of the entire area (called the "training set"), these relationships were applied to the entire area.

The method begins with the assumption that some set  $(x_1, \ldots, x_k)$  of variables, called "discriminators", can be chosen whose values are closely related to membership properties of the cells in each of the occurrence categories. In our case, the discriminators are the areal percentage of various lithologic units, length of faults, length of contacts between lithologic units, fault curvature, Bouguer gravity, LANDSAT lineaments and geochemical sampling data. (See Appendix B for a discussion of these features.) Using the values of the discriminators and the membership properties of the training cells, the technique yields a linear function of the form

$$Y(x_1,...,x_k) = a_1x_1+...+a_kx_k$$
 (C-1)

where values for each  $a_i$  are chosen so that the means  $\overline{Y}_i$ , of Y for all cells in the training set in occurrence category i are maximally separated relative to the overall variation of Y (reference 95). For example, if there are two populations whose sample sizes (number of training cells) are  $n_1$  and  $n_2$ , then the separation between the means is measured by  $(\overline{Y}_1 - \overline{Y}_2)^2$ . The overall variation of Y is:

$$Var Y = \sum_{j=1}^{n_j} (Y_{jj} - \overline{Y})^2 + \sum_{j=1}^{n_2} (Y_{2j} - \overline{Y})^2$$

where  $\overline{Y}$  is the mean of Y over all cells in the training set and  $Y_{ij}$  denotes the value of Y for the  $j^{th}$  individual in category i.

The discriminant function is then the linear combination of the form of equation (C-I) above which maximizes:

$$\frac{(\overline{Y}_1 - \overline{Y}_2)^2}{Var Y}$$

When Y is thus chosen, the means  $\overline{Y}_1$  and  $\overline{Y}_2$  are computed for the sample population, and some intermediate value is chosen as the point best discriminating population I from population 2. Sometimes a clear choice of this intermediate value is not possible, and the midpoint  $(\overline{Y}_1 + \overline{Y}_2)/2$  is chosen for convenience.

The Statistical Package for the Social Sciences (SPSS) (Reference 96), developed at the University of Chicago and available at the Stanford Center for Information Processing, contains the program DISCRIMINANT which was used in our analysis. DISCRIMINANT has capabilities to perform discriminant analysis on a number of populations and discriminators. In our study, two population category analyses suffice; this requires the computation of one discriminant function. (The number of discriminant functions required is the lesser of the number of discriminators, or the number of populations, minus one) (Reference 96).

In the present application, DISCRIMINANT selects discriminators to be used one at a time to maximize  $\overline{17}_1 - \overline{7}_2 I$  (absolute value), called the Mahalanobis distance, D<sup>2</sup>, until inclusion of further discriminators adds negligible separation. Once the discriminant function has been determined, DISCRIMINANT is used to classify each 4-km by 4-km cell into its predicted occurrence category. Each cell in the population is classified, including the training cells whose correct classification is known. The percentage of training cells which are correctly classified by DISCRIMINANT is one measure of the capability of the discriminant function to differentiate among categories.

#### 2.3 SELECTION OF TRAINING SET

There are two main criteria for the training set:

- o It must contain a large enough number of occurrence and non-occurrence cells for the discriminant function to identify patterns or combinations of the independent variables that allow it to distinguish between occurrence and non-occurrence cells.
- o It must contain cells representative of all the geologic environments in which the commodity being considered might be found.

The reason the entire area is not used as the training set is to allow a test of the predictive ability of the discriminant function. That test, a powerful indicator of the validity of the discriminant function, is the percentage of known occurrence cells <u>not</u> in the training set that are correctly classified.

To balance these criteria (large number of occurrence cells vs. test area) the training set was defined to include half of all known occurrence cells and half of the cells with no reported occurrences. Thus, it includes half of the cells of the CDCA. The cells are selected for the training set by choosing alternate cells from the listing of occurrence and non - occurrence cells.

#### 3. VARIABLES USED FOR DISCRIMINANT FUNCTION ANALYSIS

Ninety-four independent variables were compiled for this study. They include 40 geologic, I gravity, 20 lineament, 3 tonal anomaly and 30 geochemical variables (see Appendix B). For DFA to work well, these independent variables must satisfy certain conditions:

- o They should not be correlated with each other.
- They should occur frequently enough to have a reasonable chance of distinguishing between high and low resource potential.
- They should be correlated with resource potential from a geologic standpoint; i.e., they should be geologically relevant.
- They should be correlated with resource potential from a statistical standpoint; i.e., they should be statistically relevant.

Each of these conditions was considered in this study, as discussed below. The result was a composite set of variables derived from the original 94 variables as shown in Table C - I. The derivation of this composite set is discussed below.

#### 3.1 CORRELATION WITH OTHER VARIABLES

An analysis of the Pearson Product Moment Correlation Coefficient (see Appendix D) of each of the 94 variables with each other variable showed a few situations in which two or more variables were highly correlated. For this study, any correlation coefficients with an absolute value greater than .65 define highly correlated variables. In this case, one of the highly correlated variables was eliminated from DFA applications. In analyzing the distribution of correlation coefficients, there was a significant break at .65, so that value was selected.

Variables 35 and 39 (number and curvature of thrust faults) and 37 and 40 (number and curvature of nonthrust faults) were eliminated because they are highly correlated with Variables 34 (length of thrust faults) and 36 (length of nonthrust faults), respectively. Variables 44 (weighted length of lineament intersections) and 45 (number of lineaments) were eliminated due to their high correlation with variables 43 (weighted number of lineaments that intersect) and 46 (length of lineaments), respectively. Length and number of lineaments in each azimuth class are also highly correlated leading to the elimination of Variables 47 - 54 (number of lineaments in each of the eight classes). The correlations are summarized in Table C - 2. Reference 138 presents additional details of the correlation analysis.

#### 3.2 FREQUENCY OF OCCURRENCE

Variables with coverage of less than two percent of the CDCA or presence in 150 or fewer cells occur too infrequently to discriminate effectively and were considered candidates for combination with other variables. These variables are lithologic units 1, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 14 and 17 and contact relationships 21 through 31 (see Tables 2, 3 and 4). However, variables I and 10 were maintained as separate variables because they are not similar to any other variable in terms of their geologic relationship to mineral potential. The rationale for variable combination is detailed in the next section.

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TABLE C - 2
Highly Correlated Variables

Variables Correlated (Numbers in Parentheses)	Correlation Coefficient
Number of thrust faults (35) with length of thrust faults (34)	0.96
Curvature of thrust faults (39) with length of thrust faults (34)	0.71
Number of nonthrust faults (37) with length of nonthrust faults (36)	0.95
Curvature of nonthrust faults (40) with length of nonthrust faults (36)	0.68
Weighted length of lineament intersections (44) with weighted number of lineaments that intersect (43)	0.84
Number of lineaments (45) with length of lineaments (46)	0.77
Number of lineaments in each azimuth class (47 through 54) with length of lineaments in each azimuth class (55 through 62):	
47 with 55	0.81
48 with 56	0.84
49 with 57	0.79
50 with 58	0.83
51 with 59	0.88
52 with 60	0.77
53 with 61	0.70
54 with 62	0.77

#### 3.3 GEOLOGIC RELEVANCE

Primarily because of their low frequency of occurrence, several lithologic units and contact relationships were combined to form variable sets based upon similar geology (Table C - I). In addition, one fault variable set was selected by combining the variables length of thrust and nonthrust faults, because no discriminatory power was suggested by separating them in the initial DFA runs. Those variables grouped together are:

- Metamorphic, metasedimentary, and metavolcanic lithologic units (Variables 6, 7 and 9 were combined with Variable 2).
- o Marine sedimentary lithologic units (3, 5 and 8 were combined with 4).
- Igneous and granitic intrusive lithologic units (14 was combined with 11).
- Quaternary lithologic units (12 and 16).
- Volcanic lithologic units (17 was combined with 15).
- Contacts involving Mesozoic granitic intrusives or pre-Cenozoic granitic and metamorphic rocks (21 was combined with 20).
- o Contacts involving Tertiary igneous intrusives (22 through 33).
- o Thrust and non thrust faults (34, 36)

Variable 42 (number of subcells), which is used as a computational aid alone, was not used as a variable in DFA. Variable 18 (water and unmapped areas) was eliminated because it is not correlated with mineral occurrences and tends to mask the relevant geologic variables. Any statistical relationships that might appear between this variable and mineral occurrences would be coincidence and misleading if used for predictive purposes.

#### 3.4 STATISTICAL SIGNIFICANCE

To measure the importance of the geologic, geophysical, geochemical, tonal anomaly and lineament variables, several tests were made using DFA. For consistent comparison, these tests were made on subsets of the CDCA where data on all variables were available. The purpose of applying these tests was to measure the statistical relevance of each independent variable in indicating G - E - M resource potential.

As discussed in Appendix B, the tonal anomaly and geochemical data are not available for the entire CDCA. The test areas are shown in Figure C-1. They consist of two separate regions, each approximately 5000 square kilometers. The copper, lead, silver, zinc (hydrothermal) case was used for the test because of the theoretical relationship between tonal anomalies and hydrothermal alterations. Tests were made on several combinations of variables to determine the best set of variables. The results of these tests are shown in Table C-3 and described below.

Occurrence cells in the training sets are defined by reported occurrences. Non-occurrence cells in the training set are those that remain, and are, thus, more likely to be misclassified. Therefore, to test the significance of the results it is more important to consider the percent of occurrence cells correctly classified (column I in

Table C - 3) than the percent of non - occurrence cells correctly classified (column 2). The results of applying DFA to these test areas indicate that:

- Geologic variables provide information (both columns 1 and 2 show high percentages correctly classified).
- Gravity provides information (compare case 2 with case 1, column 1).
- Tonal anomalies do not add any information (compare case 4 with case 2, case 5 with case 3 or case 7 with case 6).
- Geochemical data add information (compare case 6 with case 3).
- Lineament data may add information. The tests are inconclusive in Table C 3. Comparison of case 3 with case 2 shows improvement due to lineament data in the test of percentage of non occurrence cells correctly classified (column 2) only. However, comparison of case 5 with case 4 shows some improvement in both tests (columns 1 and 2).

To confirm the results of the tests, DFA was applied in the test areas using all variables for the following additional cases: gold, iron, manganese, tungsten. The results of these additional tests showed:

- Only in the case of iron did any tonal anomaly variable provide any discriminating power and in that case it was only the fourth most important variable, providing less than 8 percent of the discriminating power. Because of the low discriminating power and the fact that tonal anomaly data are available for less than 20 percent of the CDCA, the tonal anomaly variables were not used for subsequent analysis.
- The lineament variables also proved marginally effective in the additional tests. They were maintained for the final classifications of the entire CDCA (see Section 4 of the main report). In further tests using geochemical data, however, to keep the number of variables manageable (with the addition of 30 geochemical variables) only one lineament variable (weighted number of LANDSAT lineaments which intersect in a cell) was maintained (see Section 3.5 below).
- The following geochemical variables provided no discrimination and were eliminated: sieved titanium, boron, barium and beryllium and heavy mineral concentrate barium and potassium.

#### 3.5 ANALYSIS OF GEOCHEMICAL VARIABLES

Previous work (Reference 138) indicated that without the geochemical sampling data DFA could be applied only to the five commodity categories: copper, lead, silver, zinc combined; gold; iron; manganese; and tungsten.

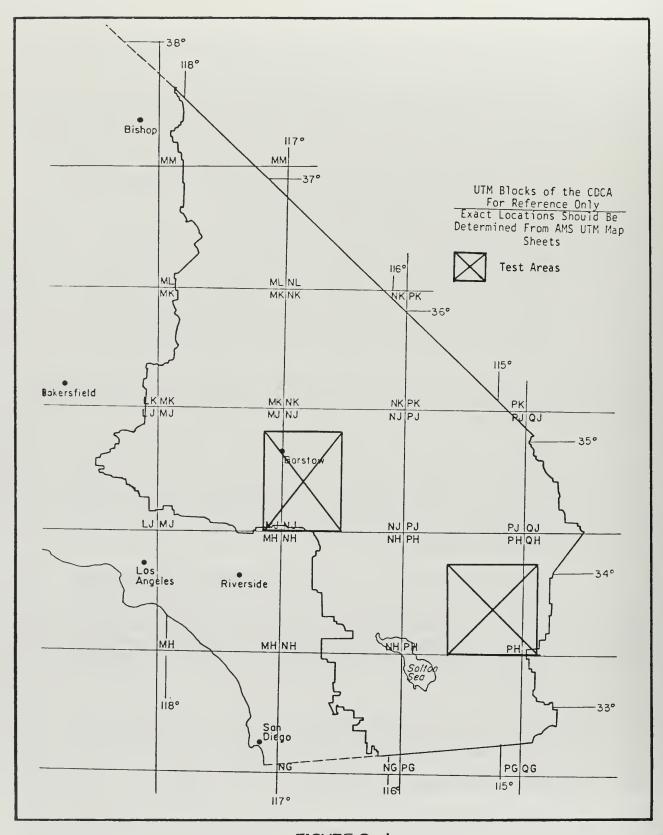


FIGURE C - I

Test Areas For Variables

TABLE C - 3
Results Of DFA Test Runs To Determine Variable Importance<sup>(a)</sup>

	Percent of Set Correc	Percent of Cells in Training Set Correctly Classified	ning d	Numbes Set (6)	Number of Cells in Training Set <sup>(b)</sup> Correctly Classified	ining
DFA Case: Variables Included	(I) Occurrence	(2) No Reported Occurrence	(3) Both	(4) Occurrence	(5) No Reported Occurrence	(6) Both
I. Geology only	59	82	80	17	232	249
2. Geology, Gravity	69	81	80	20	230	250
3. Geology, Gravity, LANDSAT Lineaments	69	85	83	20	239	259
4. Geology, Gravity, Tonal Anomalies	62	83	18	18	234	252
5. Geology, Gravity, LANDSAT Lineaments, Tonal Anomalies	99	85	83	19	240	259
6. Geology, Gravity, LANDSAT Lineaments, Geochemical	9.2	87	98	22	247	269
7. All Variables	97	88	87	22	248	270

All tests were made using the hydrothermal case in two separate areas, approximately 5000 km² each that have geology, gravity, LANDSAT lineament, tonal anomaly, and geochemical sampling data available. (See Figure C-1.) 0

(b) Total Number of Cells in Training Set is 312.

The addition of the geochemical data provides the potential to:

- I. Improve the significance of the results for the five original categories.
- 2. Apply DFA to more commodity categories.

Unfortunately, the geochemical data are available for approximately 50 percent of the CDCA only which limits the number of occurrence cells that may be in the training set. Thus, there are more variables for discrimination, but fewer cells on which to base the discriminant function.

The only commodities with the potential for an adequate number of occurrences in the areas where the geochemical sampling took place are:

- 1. Hydrothermal (Copper, Lead, Silver, Zinc combined)
- 2. Gold
- 3. Iron
- 4. Manganese
- 5. Tungsten
- 6. Limestone
- 7. Talc
- 8. Borates

and the last six are marginal. The consideration of the last three might be argued on theoretical grounds, but all eight were tested. The results are shown in Table C - 4.

Three tests of significance were applied:

- F test for significance of separation between the group means (see Appendix D). The 99 percent level of significance was applied.
- o Percent of occurrence cells in the training set correctly classified.
- Percent of occurrence cells outside the training set correctly classified.

Borates and manganese fail the F-test. Tungsten, iron, limestone and talc barely pass the F-test and do very poorly on the other two tests. Thus, these six cases were eliminated; only the gold and hydrothermal cases are worth further consideration.

Two refinements to the gold and hydrothermal cases were made which formed six test cases. The cases were restricted to areas where geochemical samples were taken. The six test cases analyzed to test the effectiveness of the geochemical data are:

- 1. Hydrothermal, all areas
- 2. Hydrothermal, areas south of Garlock Fault
- 3. Hydrothermal, areas south of Garlock Fault without geochemical variables
- 4. Gold, all areas

- 5. Gold, areas south of Garlock Fault
- 6. Gold, areas south of Garlock Fault without geochemical variables.

The reasons for considering these six cases are discussed below.

Of the four areas where geochemical sampling was concentrated, three are south of the Garlock Fault and one north. There is evidence to support a theory that different mineralization environments exist north and south of the Garlock Fault (Reference: Mr. Jean Juilland, Desert Plan Staff). To test this theory, separate DFA runs were made for the northern and southern regions using the hydrothermal and gold cases. As shown in Table C - 5, in both cases north of the Garlock Fault the results are poor. Gold fails the F - test. Hydrothermal barely passes the F - test and scores poorly on the classification of occurrence cells outside the training set. These two cases were not considered further. The results south of the Garlock Fault are statistically significant and are discussed below.

To test the importance of the geochemical data to the discriminating power, DFA was applied to the gold and hydrothermal cases in the areas south of the Garlock Fault where geochemical sampling had taken place, but without the geochemical variables included. The results can be compared to the corresponding cases with the geochemical variables. Table C - 5 shows the results were statistically significant with or without the geochemical variables.

Two other measures of the discriminating power of DFA were applied. The first and perhaps the best measure of the effectiveness of DFA is the ratio of percent of known occurrence cells correctly classified by DFA to the percent of area of the CDCA predicted to have high potential. The reason this comparison is important is that a function which assigns high potential to all cells of the CDCA will correctly classify all known occurrence cells, but will at the same time misclassify non-occurrence cells. There is no discrimination. To say the entire CDCA has mineral potential is a true, but useless, statement. It is necessary to have a selective function, i.e., one that assigns mineral potential to a reasonable number of cells and, at the same time, maintains the integrity of known high potential cells (occurrence cells) by assigning a high proportion of them to the occurrence category. In other words, the desirable situation is to have a high percentage of occurrence cells correctly classified, but only a moderate percentage of the CDCA predicted to have high potential. One can then make statements such as "DFA has correctly classified over 60 percent of the known occurrences while assigning high potential to less than 20 percent of the area." If DFA showed no discriminating power, one would expect that 60 percent of the CDCA would have to be classified as having mineral potential in order to classify correctly 60 percent of the known occurrences. Thus, the discriminating power can be measured by calculating the ratio of percent of occurrence cells correctly classified to percent of area classified in the high potential category. This number is referred to as the "high potential" ratio. The larger this number, the better is the discriminatory power of DFA. Table C - 6 summarizes this measure for each of the six cases.

TABLE C - 4

DFA Results — Tests Of Significance
On All Areas Of Geochemical Sampling

	Distance Group	between Means (a)		t of Occur rectly Cla	
Case	F <sub>0</sub>	F.01	Training Set	Outside Training Set	Entire Area
Hydrothermal	6.21	1.68	57.4	52.1	54.7
Gold (b)	4.81	1.72	62.3	64.7	63.5
Tungsten	2.67	1.73	48.6	27.8	38.4
Iron	2.30	1.72	36.7	24.1	30.5
Manganese	1.62	1.72	57.1	40.7	49.1
Limestone	2.15	1.78	42.3	39.2	40.8
Borates	0.72	1.73	50.0	20.0	35.0
Talc	2.65	1.76	50.0	34.6	42.3

 $<sup>(</sup>a)_{When} F_0$  exceeds  $F_{.01}$ , the separation is significant.

<sup>(</sup>b) Not including placer deposits.

TABLE C - 5

DFA Results — Tests Of Significance On Sub - Areas Of Geochemical Sampling

	Distance Between Group Means (a)	Between eans (a)	Percer Cells Cor	Percent of Occurrence Cells Correctly Classified	rence ssified
Case	F <sub>0</sub>	F.01	Training Set	Outside Training Set	Entire Area
North of Garlock Fault					
Hydrothermal	1.73	1.59	9.07	0.64	59.8
Gold(b)	1.29	1.60	8.89	58.1	63.5
South of Garlock Fault					
Hydrothermal	5.31	1.72	59.7	53.2	56.5
Cold(b)	4.53	1.72	58.8	47.1	52.9
Hydrothermal without geochemical variables	96.11	2.32	59.7	56.1	57.9
Gold without geochemical variables	10.44	2.44	58.0	52.1	55.0

(a) When F<sub>0</sub> exceeds F<sub>01</sub> the separation is significant.

(b) Not including placer deposits.

TABLE C-6

Restricted To Areas Of Geochemical Sampling DFA Results — Tests Of Effectiveness

Case	Percent of Occurrence Cells Correctly Classified	Percent of Area Classified with Higher Mineral Potential(a)	Ratio, (b) High Potential	Ratio, (c) Low Potential
Hydrothermal All areas, all variables	54.7	24.0	2.28	09.
Hydrothermal Areas south of Garlock Fault, all variables	56.5	23.8	2.37	.57
Hydrothermal Areas south of Garlock Fault, no geochemical variables	57.9	29.2	1.98	.59
<sub>Id</sub> (d) All areas, all variables	63.5	29.1	2.18	15.
<sub>ld</sub> (d) Areas south of Garlock Fault, all variables	52.9	23.9	2.21	.62
ld <sup>(d)</sup> Areas south of Garlock Fault, no geochemical variables	55.0	24.0	2.29	.59

(a) Probability of correct classification in the occurrence category greater than 50 percent. (b) This is the ratio of column I (percent of occurrence cells correctly classified in areas of geochemical sampling) to column 2 (percent of area classified in the higher mineral potential category).

This is the ratio of percent of occurrence cells classified in the non-occurrence category (misclassifications) to percent of area classified in the lower mineral potential category. It is 100 minus the entry in column I divided by 100 minus the entry in column 2. <u>ပ</u>

(d) Not including placer deposits.

For comparison, a similar number was computed (last column of Table C - 6) to measure the ratio of the percent of occurrence cells in the low potential category to percent of area assigned low potential. The lower this number, the better is the discriminating power of DFA. Comparison of the last two columns in Table C - 6 reveals a significant discriminating ability. If there were no discriminating ability, all the entries in the last two columns would be expected to have values very close to one. Instead, the "high potential" ratios are all near 2.0 or higher and the "low potential" ratios are near 0.6 or lower.

### Further examination of Table C - 6 shows:

- There is a small improvement in the hydrothermal classification results obtained by treating the area south of the Garlock Fault separately.
- There is no improvement in the gold classification results obtained by treating the area south of the Garlock Fault separately.
- The effect of the geochemical variables is indefinite for the hydrothermal case. Without the geochemical variables a slightly higher percentage of occurrence cells is correctly classified than with the geochemical variables, but much more of the area is classified with high potential. Thus, the "high potential" ratio is lower without the geochemical variables than with the geochemical variables.
- The geochemical variables do not improve the gold classification.

The second measure of the efficiency of DFA is to see how many known occurrences are predicted to have low potential. (This test is performed on all <u>occurrences</u> of a given commodity. The previous test was for <u>occurrence cells</u> only. The <u>distinction</u> arises from the fact that one occurrence cell could contain several occurrences.) This test was performed for two definitions of low potential.

First, any cell with a probability of correct classification in the occurrence category of 25 percent or less was considered to have low potential. The results are shown in Table C-7. In each case, although a large percentage of the CDCA is classified as low potential (between 30 and 45 percent) a very low percentage of known deposits are in those areas. Furthermore, by far the predominant number of deposits in those areas never reported any production (production categories 0 or 1).

For the second definition, any cell with a probability of 50 percent or less was defined to have low potential. Those results are shown in Table C - 8. Once again, the observation holds. Despite the fact that three - quarters of the area is classified as having low potential, less than 40 percent of the known deposits occur in those low potential areas, and of these, approximately 80 percent never reported any production. This test, too, is strong support for the discrimination ability of DFA.

TABLE C-7

Known Deposits In Low Probability (25 Percent)<sup>(b)</sup> Cells DFA Results

	Total Number	Num	ber of	Know	n Dep	osits l	n Low Pr	Number of Known Deposits In Low Probability Cells	Percent Of CDCA Classified
Case	Of Occurrences	Proc	Production Category <sup>(a</sup>	Cate	gory(c	(1			Low Probability <sup>(D)</sup>
		0	_	2	3	4	Total	Percentage	
Copper, Lead, Silver, Zinc:									
All Areas	209	8	20	7	_	0	94	6	38.0
South Areas	363	14	24	4	0	0	42	12	7.44
South Areas, No Geochemical	363	=	13	2	0	0	26	7	28.8
Gold <sup>(c)</sup> ;									
All Areas	454	9	6	0	0	_	91	7	29.5
South Areas	366	<u>13</u>	14	2	_	0	30	∞	41.2
South Areas, No Geochemical	366	=	ω	0	0	0	61	5	30.2

(see p. 38 for definition of dollar values) (a) - Production Categories

0 = Occurrence 1 = Workings, but no production 2 = Production under \$50,000 3 = Production between \$50,000 and \$500,000 4 = Production over \$500,000

(b) - 25 percent or less probability of correct classification in the occurrence category

(c) - Not including placer deposits

TABLE C-8

Known Deposits In Low Probability (50 Percent)<sup>(b)</sup> Cells **DFA Results** 

	Total Number	Non	ber of	Know	n Dep	psits l	n Low Pro	Number of Known Deposits In Low Probability Cells	Percent Of CDCA Classified
Case	Of Occurrences	Pro	Production Category <sup>(a)</sup>	Cate	gory	(1			Low Probability <sup>(b)</sup>
		0	_	2	3	4	Total	Percentage	
Copper, Lead, Silver, Zinc:									
All Areas	509	58	96	36	7	_	198	39	76.0
South Areas	363	39	83	20	_	0	143	39	76.2
South Areas, No Geochemical	363	44	75	23	2	_	145	40	70.8
Cold <sup>(c)</sup> :									
All Areas	454	47	89	24	4	_	144	32	70.9
South Areas	366	43	73	21	7	0	144	39	76.1
South Areas, No Geochemical	366	39	72	23	7	0	141	39	76.0

(see p. 38 for definition of dollar values) (a) - Production Categories

0 = Occurrence

l = Workings, but no production 2 = Production under \$50,000 3 = Production between \$50,000 and \$500,000 4 = Production over \$500,000

(b) - 50 percent or less probability of correct classification in the occurrence category

(c) - Not including placer deposits

Tables C - 7 and C - 8 also indicate that, though the results of all cases are good:

- There is no improvement in the classifications of the hydrothermal or gold cases achieved by treating areas south of the Garlock Fault separately.
- The geochemical variables do not improve the classification results for either the gold or hydrothermal cases.

Table C - 9 shows the variables that provide most of the discrimination for each of the six cases. Table C - 9 shows that the geochemical variables are inconsistent in distinguishing mineral potential (e.g., in the different gold cases, different geochemical variables are selected), which indicates that relationships found among the geochemical data and occurrences are coincidental.

The principal conclusion derived from Tables C-6, C-7, C-8 and C-9 is that the geochemical data do not improve the DFA results for the gold or hydrothermal cases. This does not mean that geochemical sampling data could not improve the results or that the data are bad, only that the sampling data available are insufficient. Two probable reasons for this condition are:

- The low density of sampling points.
- o The limited area over which samples were taken.

Samples were taken from four general areas covering about 50 percent of the CDCA. This restricted the number of occurrence cells upon which a discriminant function could be based. Moreover, interpolation of the geochemical sample data from an average 10 - km spacing to 4 - km cells may be stretching the information content of the data.

### 3.6 VARIABLES USED FOR FINAL DFA

As a result of the eliminations and combinations discussed above, the original 94 variables were reduced to 24 variable sets. The composition of these variable sets is shown in Table C - 10.

# TABLE C - 9

# Variables Selected By DFA

		Variable Components		Variabl	es Selected f	or Discrin	nination <sup>(1)</sup>	
Vari- able Set	Variable Number	Description	Hydro- thermal All Areas	Hydro- thermal South Areas	Hydro- thermal No Geo- chemical	Gold All Areas	Gold South Areas	Gold No Geo- chemical var i ab i
I.	ı.	Precambrian granitic racks.						
2.	2. 6. 7. 9.	Cambrian metamorphic racks.  Pre-Cretaceous metasedimentary racks and pre-Cretaceous metamorphic racks.  Paleozoic and Precambrian metavolcanic racks.  Pre-Cretaceous metavolcanic racks (If age cannot be established other than pre-Cretaceous).	+2	+3	+1	+1	+5	+2
3.	3. 4. 5. 8.	Combrian and late Precambrian sedimentary rocks.  Ordovicton through Mississippian marine sedimentary rocks.  Pennsylvanian through Permian marine sedimentary rocks.  Triassic-Jurassic marine sediments.			+4			-2
4.	10.	Mesozoic basic infrusives.	+4	+2	+2	+3	+1	+1
5.	11.	Mesozoic granitic intrusives and pre-Cenozoic granitic and metamorphic rocks.  Tertiary igneous intrusives (hypobyssal).	+1	н	+3	+2		+4
6.	13.	Tertiary sediments (marine and non-marine).						
7.	12.	Eolian deposits.  Quaternary sediments.				-1	-2	-1
8.	15.	Tertiary volconics.						
	17.	Quaternary volcanics.						-4
9.	19.	Length of contact between Precambrian granitic racks (I) and Precambrian metamorphic racks (2),						
10.	20.	Length of contact between Mesozoic granitic intrusives and pre-Cenozoic granitic and metamorphic rocks (11), and either Ordovician through Mississippian marine sedimentary rocks (4), or Pennsylvanian through Permian marine sedimentary rocks (5).  Length of cantact between Mesozoic granitic intrusions and pre-Cenozoic				-4		-5
		granitic and metamorphic racks (II) and Triassic-Jurassic marine sediments (8).						
11.	22.	Length of contact between Tertiary igneous intrusives (14) and Precambrian granitic rocks (1).						
	23.	Length of contact between Tertlary igneous Intrusives (14) and Precambrian metamorphic rocks (2).			1			
	24.	Length of contact between Tertiary igneous Intrusives (14) and Cambrian and lote Precambrian sedimentary rocks (3),						
	25.	Length of contact between Tertiary igneous intrusives (14) and Ordoviclan through Mississippian marine sedimentary rocks (4).						
	26.	Length of contact between Tertiary igneous intrusives (14) and Pennsylvanian through permian marine sedimentary rocks (5),						
	27.	Length of contact between Tertiary igneous intrusives (18) and pre-Cretaceous metamorphic rocks and pre-Cretaceous metamorphic rocks (6).						
	28.	Length of contact between Tertiary Igneous intrusives (14) and Poleozoic and precambrian metavolcanic racks (7),						-3
	29.	Length of contact between Tertiary Igneous Intrusives (14) and Triassic-Jurassic marine sediments (8).						
	30,	Length of contact between Tertiary igneous Intrusives (14) and pre-Cretaceous metavolcanic racks.						
	31.	Length of contact between Tertiary Igneous intrusives (14) and Mesozoic basic intrusives (10),						
	32.	Length of contact between Tertlary Igneous intrusives (14) and Mesozoic granitic intrusives and pre-Cenazoic granitic and metamorphic rocks (11),						
	33.	Length of contact between Tertiary Igneous Intrusives (14) and Tertiary sediments (13),						

TABLE C - 9

# Variables Selected By DFA

12.	34.	Length of thrust fauls.			1			
	36.	Length of non-thrust faults.				ļ		
13.	38.	Number of fault intersections,					}	
14.	41.	Gravity value measured at cell center.			-1			+3
15.	43.	Weighted number of LANDSAT lineaments which intersect in cell.						
16.	66.	Geochemical Variable: Sieved Magnesium						
17.	68.	Geochemical Variable: Sieved Manganese	-5					
18.	72,	Geochemical Variable: Sieved Cabalt					-3	
19.	73.	Geochemical Variable: 5leved Chramium	-2	-5				
20.	74.	Geochemical Variable: 5leved Copper	+5				+4	
21.	75.	Geachemical Variable: Sieved Molybdenum		+5		-2		
22.	76.	Geochemical Variable: Sleved Nilabium				-5		
23.	π,	Geochemical Variable: Sleved Lead						
24.	78.	Geochemical Variable: Sleved Vanadium	-1	-1			+3	
25.	79.	Geochemical Variable: Sieved Zinc	+3	-2		+5	-1	
26.	80,	Geochemical Variable: Sleved Cerlum	-4					
27.	81.	Geochemical Variables: Heavy Mineral Concentrate Magnesium						
28.	82.	Geochemical Variables Heavy Mineral Concentrate Titonium		-4				
29.	83.	Geochemical Variables: Heavy Mineral Concentrate Manganese			-	+4		
30.	84.	Geochemical Variable: Heavy Mineral Concentrate Silver		+1				
31.	84.	Geochemical Variables: Heavy Mineral Concentrate Beryttlum						
32.	87.	Geochemical Variable: Heavy Mineral Concentrate Cobalt					1	
33.	86,	Geochemical Variables Heavy Mineral Concentrate Chromium				-3	-5	
34.	89.	Geochemical Variable: Heavy Mineral Concentrate Copper		-3				
35.	90.	Geochemical Variable: Heavy Mineral Concentrate Molybdenum			1		-4	
36.	91.	Geochemical Variable: Heavy Mineral Concentrate Lead			1			
37.	92.	Geochemical Variable: Heavy Mineral Concentrate Tin				1		
38.	93.	Geochemical Variable: Heavy Mineral Concentrate Zinc	-3				+2	
39.	95	Geochemical Variable: Heavy Mineral Concentrate Cerium				1	1	

 <sup>(1) (+)</sup> indicates correlation with high resource potential, (-) Indicates correlation with low resource potential. Numbers indicate rank of correlation: 1 is highest, 2 is next, etc.

### 4. DISCRIMINANT FUNCTION ANALYSIS RESULTS

Final mineral resource potential classifications were prepared for six categories of commodities using DFA. The commodity categories are:

- o Hydrothermal (copper, lead, silver, zinc combined)
- o Gold
- o Iron
- o Manganese
- o Tungsten
- Combined Metals

The selection of these commodity categories is discussed in Section 4.1 below. DFA assigned a probability of correct classification in the occurrence category to each commodity category. The cell values were contoured using the SURFACE II graphics package at the Stanford Center for Information Processing and maps were prepared showing contours of 25, 50 and 75 percent probability of correct classification. One map was prepared for each commodity category at 1:250,000 and 1:500,000 scales. These maps at 1:1,000,000 scale are also contained in the pocket at the back of this report.

The Combined Metals map is derived from the other five by assigning each 4-km by 4-km cell the highest probability of correct classification of any of the other five cases and contouring the results.

### 4.1 SELECTION OF COMMODITY CATEGORIES

There are two primary requirements that must be met for DFA to estimate potential for a mineral. The first is the existence of a relationship between the occurrence of the mineral and the independent (measurable) variables (geologic, geophysical, lineament, etc.). The second is that DFA can model that relationship.

The requirement for the existence of a relationship between mineralization and the independent variables that were available to this study almost precludes the consideration of commodity categories such as oil and gas, geothermal, salines and industrial minerals. In general, there is little to tie the occurrence of these commodities to details of regional geology as represented on small scale maps, to gravity data or to lineaments. The potential for geochemical data to define a relationship for these commodities is discussed in Section 3.5. Several tests were made on some of the more abundant of these commodities (e.g., talc, borates, limestone), but the results were not statistically significant. However, relationships were found for the metals.

Since each discriminant function can model only one geologic relationship, it is important that the metals selected to define a commodity category occur in similar geologic environments. Thus, candidates for commodity categories are:

- o Gold
- o Copper
- o Lead, silver, zinc combined
- o Iron
- Manganese
- o Tungsten
- o Iron, manganese combined
- o Copper, lead, silver, zinc combined

- o Gold, lead, silver, zinc combined
- o Gold, copper, lead, silver, zinc combined
- o Gold, copper

The second requirement reduces to the requirement that there are a sufficient number of known occurrences of the commodity category in the training set for DFA to derive a relationship. This requirement also precludes consideration of oil and gas (no production in the CDCA) and most of the salines and industrial minerals (few reported occurrences for most commodities).

Each of the 11 commodity categories was tested using DFA (References 92 and 138). The results of the tests were:

- o Gold must be considered alone. In all cases in which gold was combined with other metals, the results were less significant. This is probably because the geologic environment of gold deposits is not similar enough to the environment of copper, lead, silver or zinc deposits.
- O Copper, lead, silver, zinc combined yields better results than copper alone or lead, silver, zinc combined alone. This is probably because the number of occurrences of both combined is substantially higher than either alone and so the discriminant function is better able to derive a relationship.
- o Iron and manganese yield better results alone than combined. This is probably because iron and manganese occur in slightly different geologic environments.

Thus, five cases remain:

- o Gold
- o Copper, lead, silver, zinc combined
- o Iron
- Manganese
- o Tungsten

In addition, a Combined Metals case was derived from these five.

#### 4.2 VARIABLES SELECTED BY DFA FOR DISCRIMINATION

The independent variables (geologic, geophysical and lineament) that relate to mineralization and are, therefore, selected by DFA to discriminate between occurrence and non-occurrence categories, vary from commodity category to commodity category. This is expected from the assumption that the commodity categories occur in different geologic environments, and is partial verification of the selection of commodity categories. The variables that provide most of the discrimination for each case are shown in Table C - 10. The numbers in the column of a particular case show the relative importance of the variable: I is most important, 2 next, etc. A plus indicates the variable is associated with occurrence of the commodity category. A minus indicates the variable is associated with non - occurrence. Thus, +I indicates the variable that provides most of the discrimination for mineralization and -I the variable that provides most of the discrimination for non - occurrence of the particular commodity category.

#### TABLE C - 10

# Variables Selected By DFA

1. 2. 3.	1. 2. 6. 7.	Description Precombrian granitic rocks.	Hydrothermal <sup>(2)</sup>	Gold	Tungsten	Iran	Manganese
2.	2.	Precombrian granitic rocks.					
	6.		-3	+5	-3		-3
3.		Cambrian metamorphic rocks					
3.	7.	Pre-Cretaceous metasedimentary racks and pre-Cretaceous metamorphic					
3.	/.	rocks.	+1	+1	+4	+2	
3.		Poleozoic and Precambrian metavolcanic rocks.					
3.	9.	Pre-Cretaceous metavolcanic rocks (if age cannot be established other than pre-Cretaceous).					
	3.	Cambrian and late Precambrian sedimentary rocks.					
	4.	Ordovician through Mississippian marine sedimentary rocks.	+4				
	5.	Pennsylvanian through Permian marine sedimentary rocks.			İ		
	8.	Triassic-Jurassic marine sediments.					
4.	10.	Mesozoic basic intrusives.	+3	+3	+3	-1	+3
5.	11,	Mesozoic granitic intrusives and pre-Cenozoic granitic and metamorphic rocks.			.,		
	14.	Tertiary igneous intrusives (hypobyssal).		+2	+1	+3	
6.	13.	Tertiary sediments (marine and non-marine).		-2		-4	
7.	12,	Eolian deposits.	-5	-5		-3	
	16.	Quaternary sediments.		<u> </u>			
8.	15,	Tertiary volcanics.	1	. 1			,
	17.	Guaternary volcanics.	-1	-1			-1
9.	19,	Length of cantact between Precambrian granitic rocks (1) and Precambrian metamorphic racks (2).	-4	-4		-5	-4
0,	20,	Length of cantact between Mesozoic granitic intrusives and pre-Cenozoic			-		
		granitic and metamorphic rocks (11), and either Ordovician through Mississippian marine sedimentary rocks (4), or Pennsylvanian through Permian					
		marine sedimentary racks (5),	+2			-2	1
	21.	Length of contact between Mesozoic granitic intrusions and pre-Cenozoic granitic and metamorphic racks (11) and Triassic-Jurassic marine sediments (8).					
1.	22.	Length of cantoct between Tertiary igneous intrusives (14) and Precambrian granitic rocks (1),			<u> </u>		
	23.	Length of contact between Tertiary igneous intrusives (14) and Precambrian metamorphic rocks (2),					
	24.	Length of cantoct between Tertiary igneous intrusives (14) and Cambrian and late Precambrian sedimentary rocks (3).					
	25.	Length of contact between Tertiary igneous intrusives (14) and Ordovician through Mississippian marine sedimentary rocks (4).					
	26.	Length of cantoct between Tertiary igneous intrusives (14) and Pennsylvanian through permian marine sedimentary racks (5).					
	27. 28.	Length of cantact between Tertiary igneous intrusives (14) and pre-Cretaceous metasedimentary rocks and pre-Cretaceous metamorphic rocks (6),  Length of cantact between Tertiary igneous intrusives (14) and Poleozoic and		1			
	29.	precambrian metavolcanic racks (7).  Length of contact between Tertiary igneous intrusives (14) and Triassic-	į				
	30,	Jurassic marine sediments (B).  Length of contact between Tertiary Igneous intrusives (14) and pre-Cretaceous					
	31,	metavolconic rocks.  Length of cantoct between Tertiary igneous intrusives (14) and Mesozoic basic intrusives (10),					
	32.	Length of cantact between Tertiary igneous intrusives (14) and Mesozoic granitic intrusives and pre-Cenozoic granitic and metamorphic rocks (11).					
	33.	Length of contact between Tertiary Igneous intrusives (14) and Tertiary sediments (13),					
2.	34.	Length of thrust fauls,					
	36.	Length of non-thrust faults,					
3.	38.	Number of fault intersections.				+1	+2
4.	41.	Gravity value measured at cell center,	-2		-1		+1
5.	43.	Weighted number of LANDSAT lineaments which intersect in cell.			-2		-2
6.	46.	Sum of total length of LANDSAT lineaments passing through the cell,					-5
7.	55.				-5		
6.	56,		+5		+2		
7.	57.				+5		
20.	58.	Cumulative length of LANDSAT lineaments passing through the cell for each				+5	
21.	59.	of 8 azimuth classes within an origin of 15°.			-4	+4	-5
22.	50.						+4
23,	61.			+4			

<sup>(1) (+)</sup> Indicates correlation with high resource potential, (-) indicates correlation with low resource potential, numbers indicate rank of correlations—I is highest correlation, 2 is next, etc.

(2) Copper, lead, silver, zinc combined

#### - APPENDIX D -

#### DEFINITION OF STATISTICAL TERMS

This appendix presents definitions of some of the statistical terms used in this report.

## Mean

A measure of central tendancy for a collection of values, also called the <u>average</u>. It is the sum of all values in the collection divided by the number of values in the collection, so if there are n values,  $x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n$ , the mean is defined by:

$$\bar{x} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i}$$

In this study the means of two collections of values are important. The first collection is the group of discriminant function scores of occurrence cells. Its mean is called the group I mean. The second collection is the group of discriminant function scores of the non-occurrence cells. Its mean is called the group 2 mean.

### Mode

A measure of central tendancy for a collection of values. It is the value that occurs the greatest number of times in the collection.

# Variance

A measure of dispersion of values in a collection about the mean. The larger the variance the more dispersed the data are. The variance is also the <u>standard deviation</u> squared. If the standard deviation is denoted by s, the variance may be denoted by s<sup>2</sup> and, using the notation in the definition of the mean above, is defined by:

$$s^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{n-1}$$

# Standard Deviation

See variance above.

### Pearson Product Moment Correlation Coefficient

A measurement of the relationship of two variables to one another.

For example, the two variables might be concentrations of copper and concentrations of lead in the sieved geochemical samples. At each sample location, each variable is represented by an observation, its value at the location. The coefficient indicates how observations of each variable at the same sample locations vary with respect to each other. This coefficient ranges in value between -1 and 1. If it is 1, then high observations of one variable correspond exactly to high observations of the other and low observations correspond exactly to low observations. If the coefficient is -1, then high observations of one variable correspond exactly to low observations of the other and vice versa. If the coefficient is 0, then there is no correlation indicated. Coefficients between 0 and 1 indicate partial correlation with higher coefficients indicating greater correlation. Coefficients between 0 and -1 indicate partial negative or inverse correlation.

If the two variables are x and y and there are n observations of each,  $x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n$  and  $y_1, y_2, \ldots, y_n$ ,  $\overline{x}$  is the mean of x's and  $\overline{y}$  is the mean of the y's,  $s_x$  is the standard deviation of the x's and  $s_y$  is the standard deviation of the y's, then the Pearson product moment correlation coefficient,  $C_{xy}$  is defined by:

$$C_{xy} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_i - \overline{x})(y_i - \overline{y})}{ns_x s_y}$$

#### Correlation

See Pearson Product Moment Correlation Coefficient above.

# F - test for Significance of Separation Between Two Group Means

A measurement to indicate whether or not two group means represent distinct populations. In this study the populations are the collections of discriminant function scores for the occurrence and non - occurrence cells. For the discriminant function to be statistically significant these collections must be distinct. The F - test checks the assumption that the populations are distinct.

In other words, let  $P_1$  be the population of discriminant function scores of all occurrence cells and  $P_2$  the population of discriminant function scores of all non-occurrence cells. Let the group,  $x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n$ , be the discriminant function scores for the n occurrence cells in the training set drawn from  $P_1$ , and the group  $y_1, y_2, \ldots, y_m$ , be the scores for the m non-occurrence cells in the training set drawn from  $P_2$ . Then the means of these two groups,  $\overline{x}$  and  $\overline{y}$ , are the group one and group two means. If the discriminant function is valid, then the two populations,  $P_1$  and  $P_2$ , should consist of values that are, for the most part, separate. The F-test checks whether or not this is a likely assumption by seeing if the distance (separation) between the two group means is large enough.

The test is performed as follows. Kendall (Reference 97) shows that the statistic

$$F_o = \frac{nm(n+m-k-1)}{(n+m)(n+m-2)k} D^2$$

where k is the number of discriminators (variables) used by the discriminant function and  $D^2$  is the distance between the group means, has very nearly the same distribution as the commonly tabulated function, F (with k and n+m-k-l degrees of freedom). If  $F_0$  is greater than F, the separation is statistically significant.

The function, F, is tabulated for several levels of significance. If  $F_0$  is greater than F for a given level of significance, S, it means that the probability that the two populations represented by the group means are distinct is at least S. For this study the 99 percent level of significance was applied. Thus, in cases for which the F - test is significant, the probability is greater than 99 percent that the two populations of discriminant function scores are distinct. If the F - test is not significant then the probability is less than 99 percent that the two populations are distinct.

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