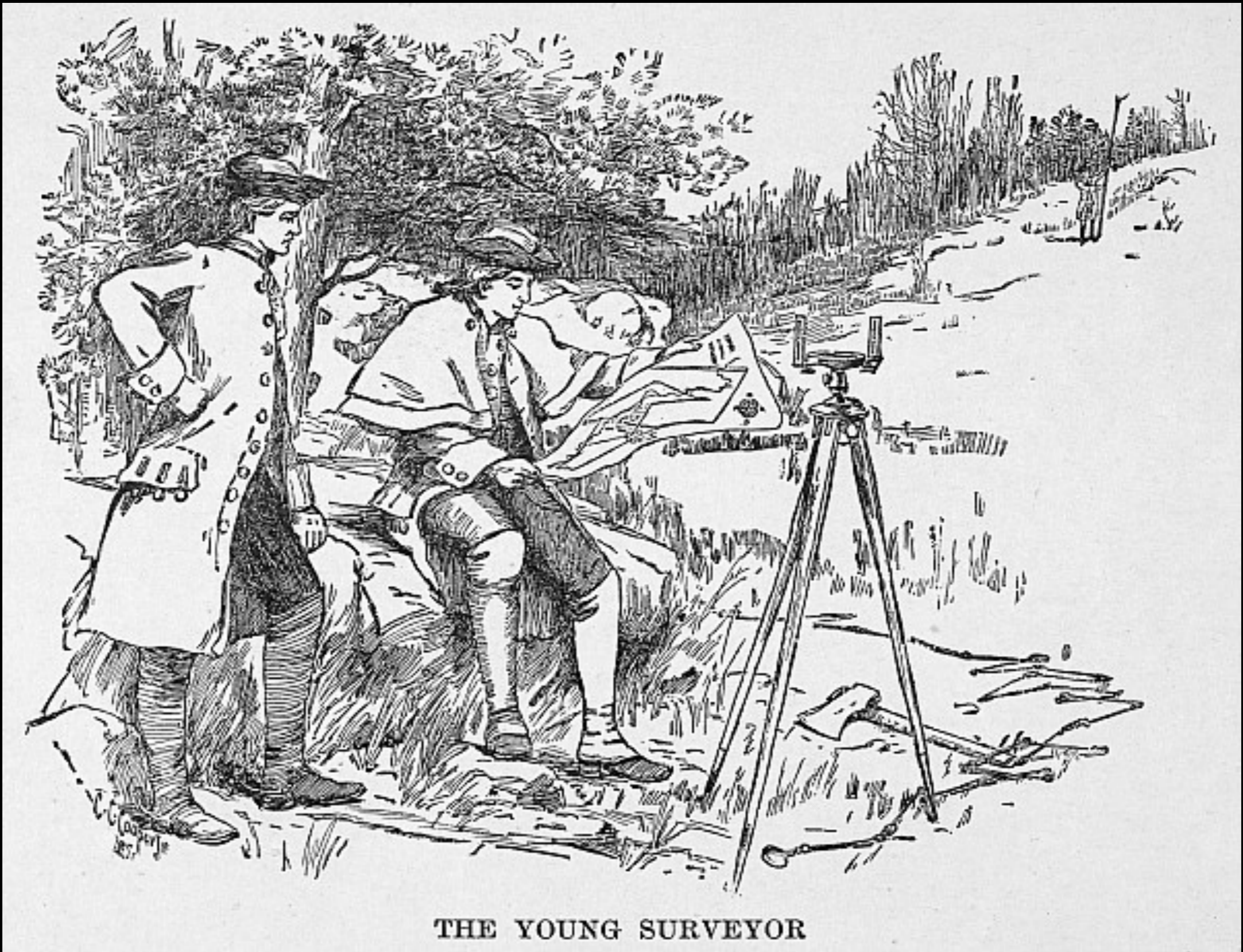


# Mapping a topographic surface



**George Washington was (among other things) a surveyor**

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CARPA-MEUS BAY

CARDIGAN BAY

- EXPLANATION**
- Blue lines, Rivers and Streams
  - Red lines, Roads
  - Yellow lines, Railways
  - Green lines, Canals
  - Black lines, Boundaries
  - Grey lines, Towns and Villages
  - Blue lines, Coastlines
  - Brown lines, Contours
  - Green, Low Ground
  - Yellow, Moderate Elevation
  - Orange, High Elevation
  - Red, Very High Elevation
  - Grey, Mountains
  - Blue, Water
  - White, Snow
  - Black, Forest
  - Dotted lines, Uncertain

B R I S T O L C H A N N E L

CARLISLE BAY

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W. S. Sherwill.

Fig. 6.

Chainman

Chainman

Fig. 7 Boundary Pillar

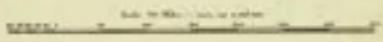
Fig. 8.

SURVEYING IN INDIA.



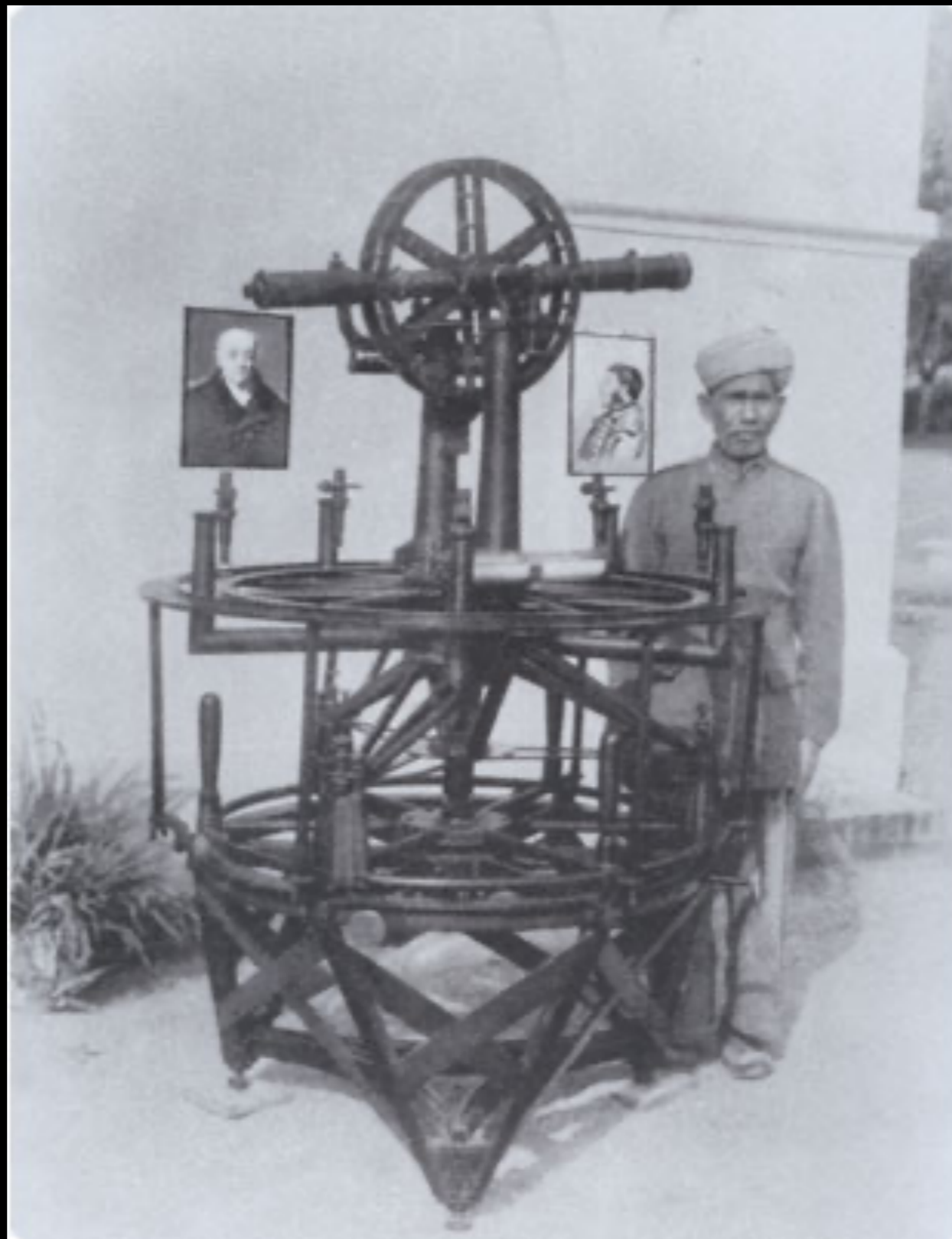
**INDEX CHART**  
OF THE  
**GREAT TRICORONOMETRICAL SURVEY**  
OF  
**INDIA**

SHOWS CURVED LINES OF WORK BY TRIANGULATION IN SOUTHERN INDIA,  
THE MERIDIAN, AND LONGITUDINAL CHAINS OF PRINCIPAL TRIANGLES,  
THE BASE LINES MEASURED WITH THE CELESTIAL METHOD,  
THE LINES OF THE SPIRIT LEVELLING OPERATIONS,  
THE APPROPRIATE TRIANGULAR & TYPICAL STATIONS,  
AND THE SEVERAL FORWARD WORK IN THE REGIONS OF  
THE HIMALAYAS & THE HIGHLANDS OF INDIA.  
Compiled in 1856.



**EXPLANATION**

The lines of the survey operations are shown by a dotted line  
The stations which are marked by the letters A, B, C, &c. are the stations of the principal triangles  
The stations which are marked by the letters S, T, U, &c. are the stations of the spirit levelling operations  
The stations which are marked by the letters P, Q, R, &c. are the stations of the celestial method  
The stations which are marked by the letters M, N, O, &c. are the stations of the meridian and longitudinal chains  
The stations which are marked by the letters H, I, J, &c. are the stations of the Himalayas and the highlands of India  
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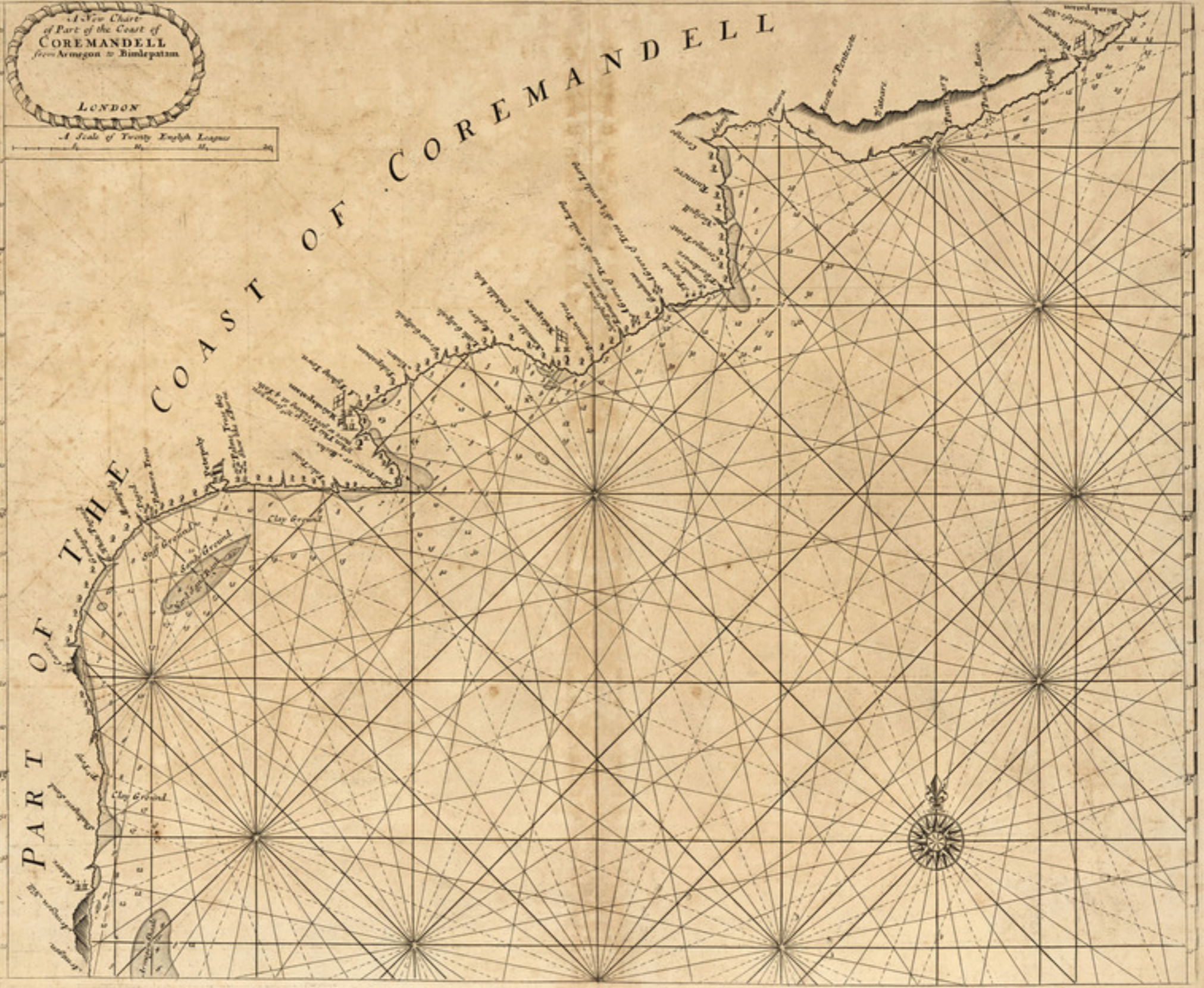
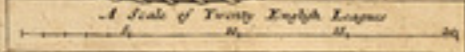


**The Great Trigonometric Survey of India**

A View Chart  
of Part of the Coast of  
COREMANDELL  
from Amoyon to Bimlepatan

LONDON

A Scale of Twenty English Leagues



Note. The Longitudes are referable to the old value for the Madras Observatory  $81^{\circ} 17' 58''$  to which a correction of  $3.25''$  is applicable to reduce to the value adopted by the Admiralty & Royal Astronomical Society, or  $3.78''$  to reduce to the result of Taylor's Observations up to 1845.

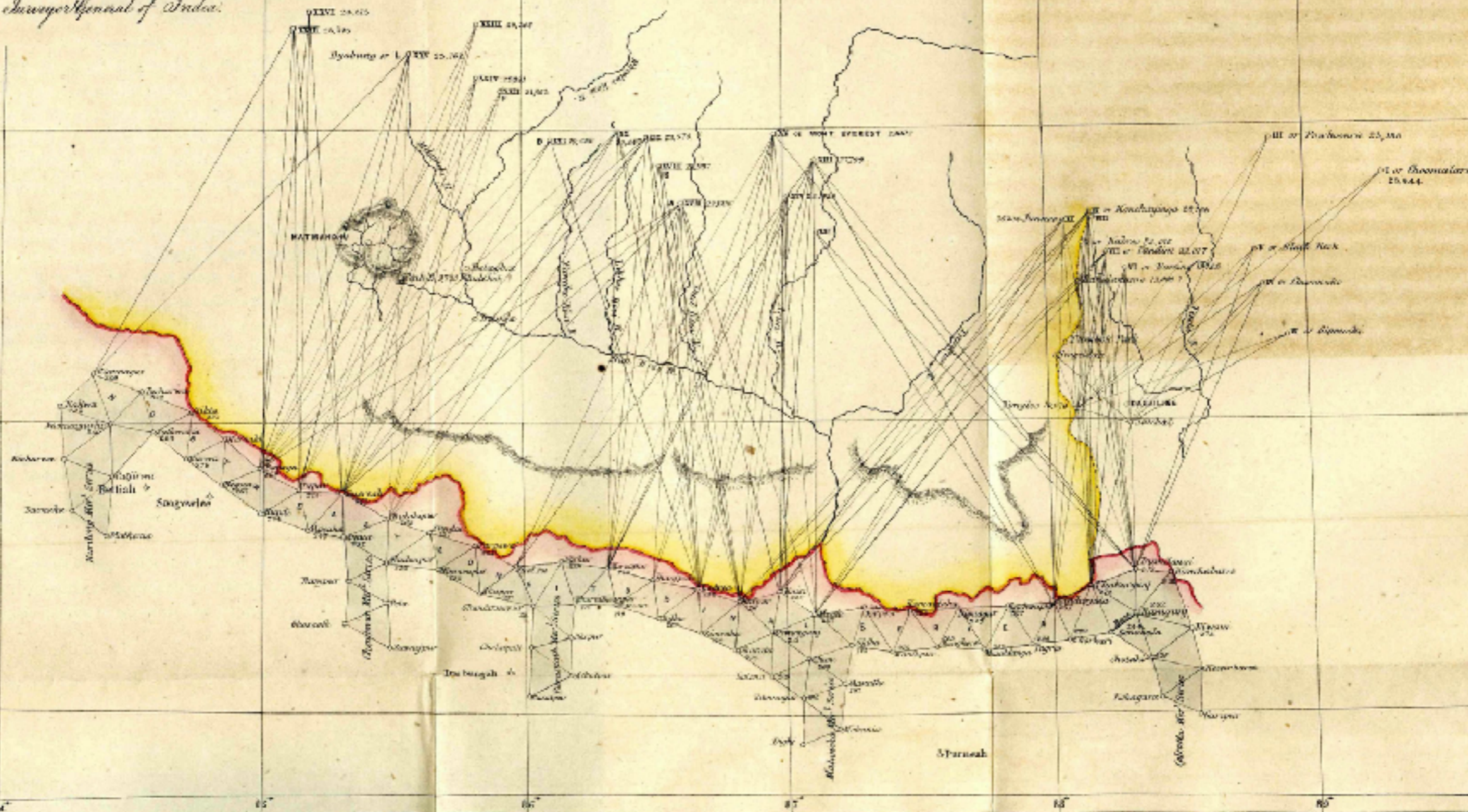
Height brought up from Sea Level at the Mouth of the Hooghly by Trigonometrical Levelling, and verified by operations extending to the Sea at Bombay and Karachi.

The Triangles marked A, B, C &c indicate Geodetic points and are so characterized by lines.

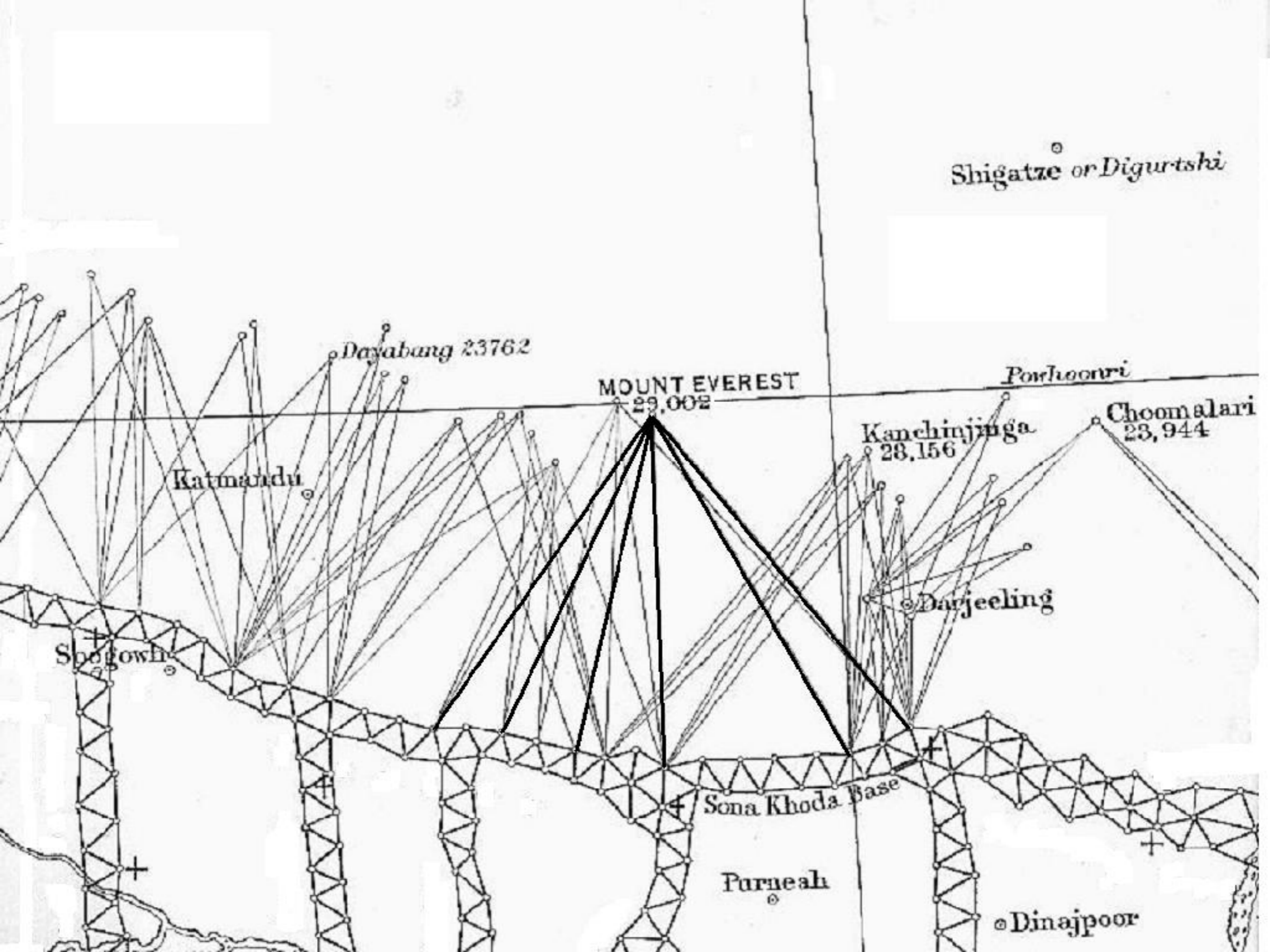
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Chief Engineer, India Office.

/s/ General A. S. Waugh, Lt Colonel  
Surveyor General of India.

Scale 2 Miles to an Inch

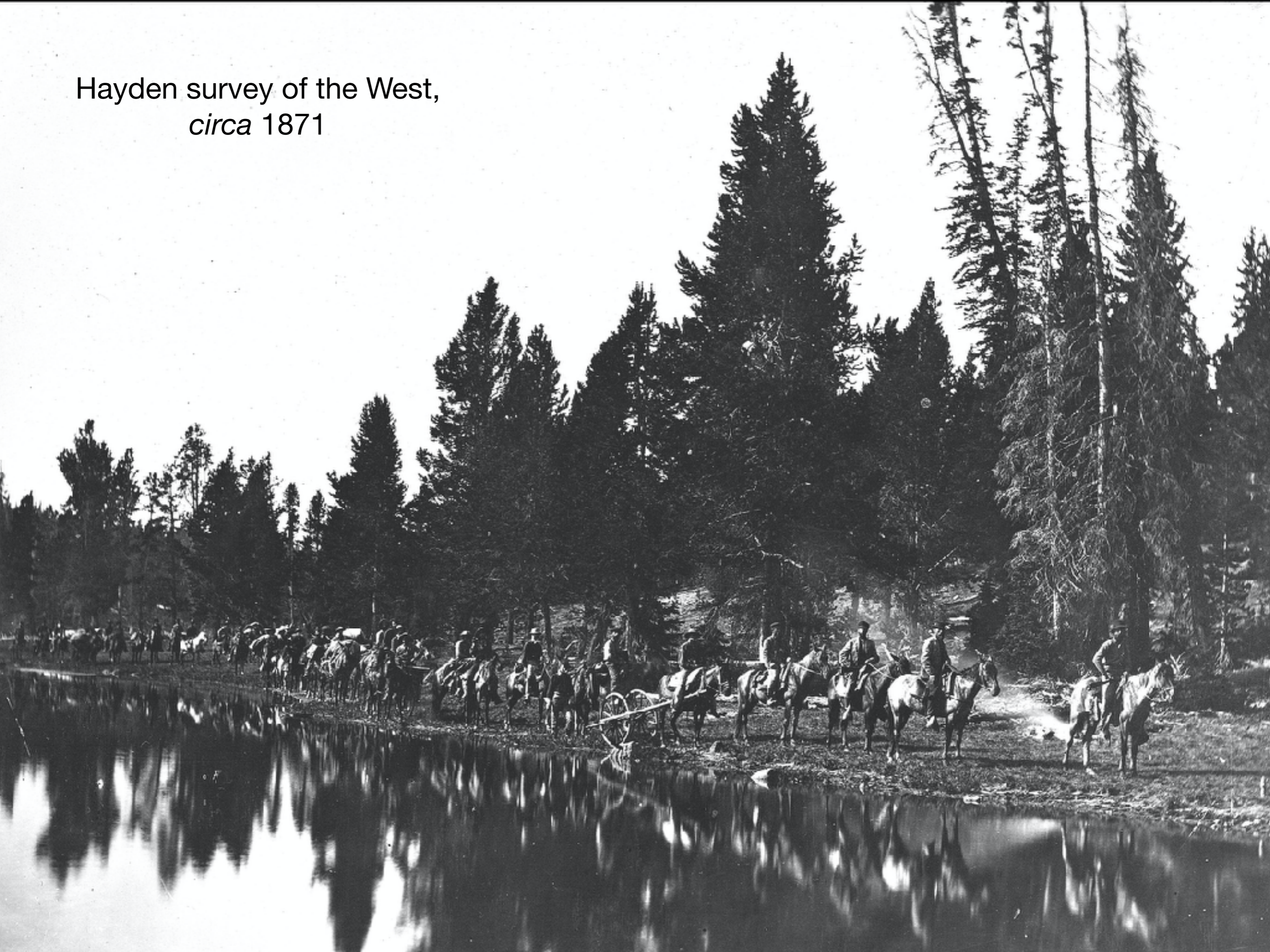








Hayden survey of the West,  
*circa* 1871





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e. La Plata peak  
*19760 ft. elevation.*

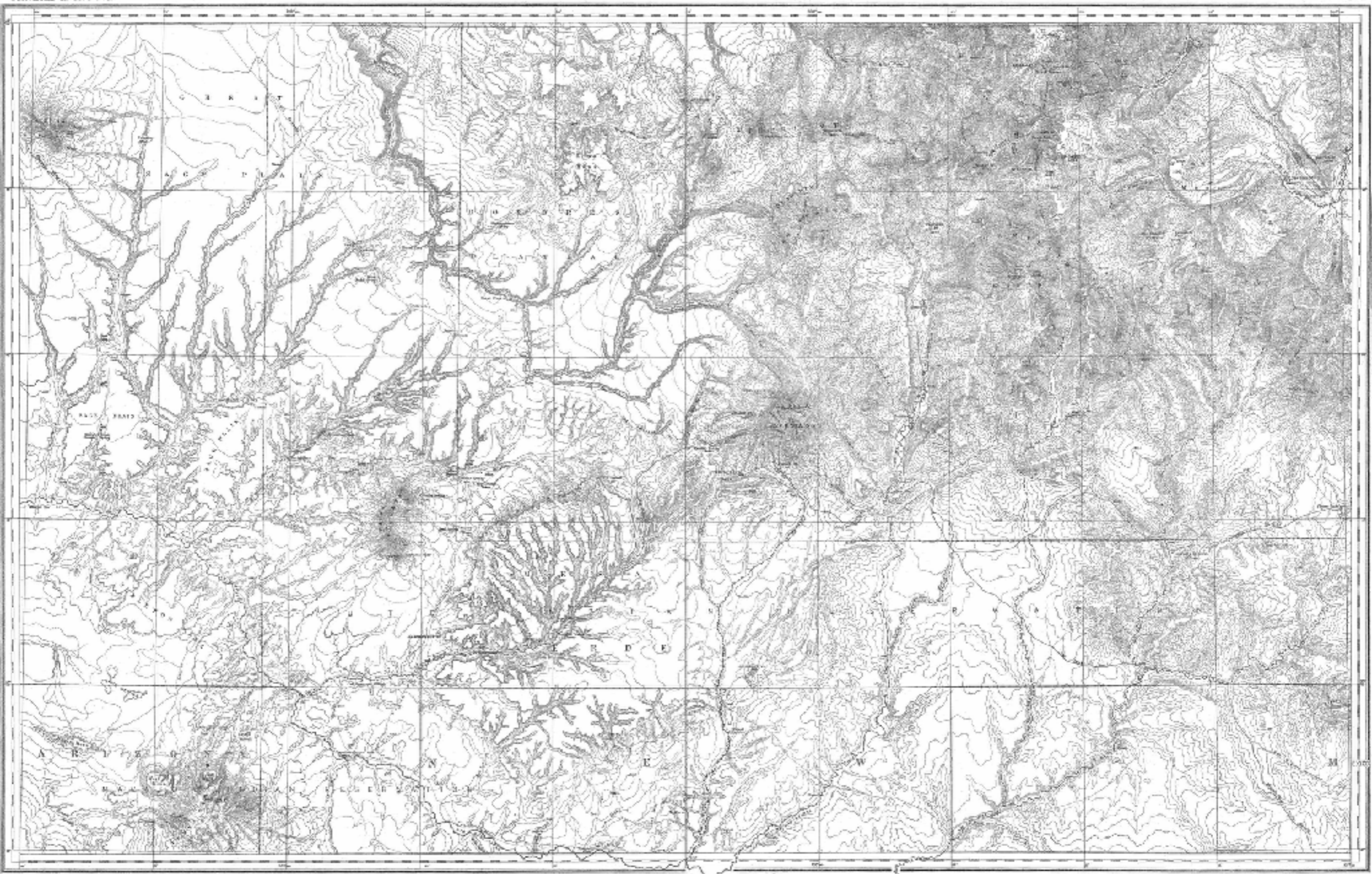
f. Sentinel Rock

g. Spiller's Peak

h, h, Met

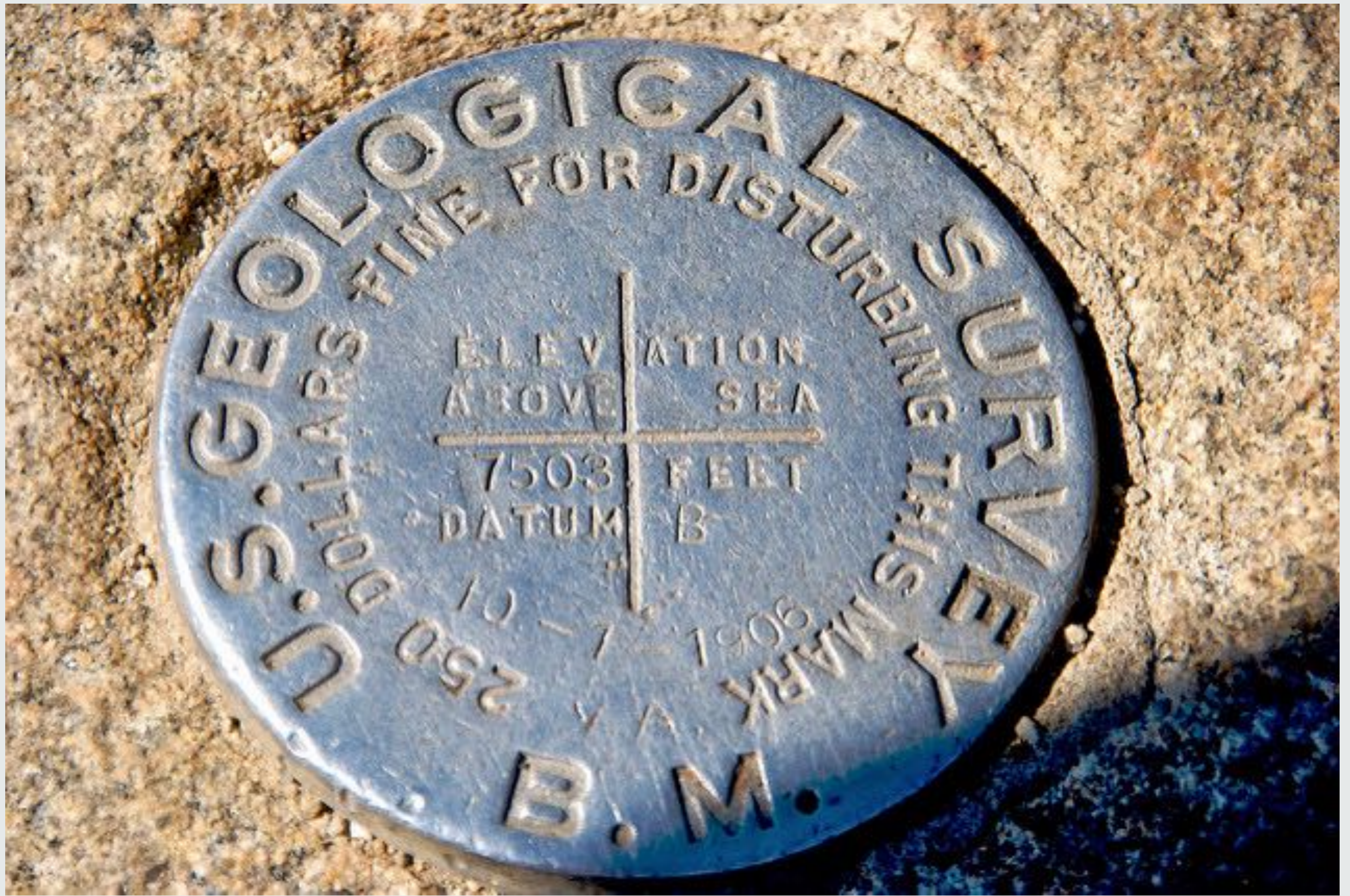
S.W. COLORADO AND PARTS OF NEW MEXICO, ARIZONA AND UTAH.

REVISED IN 1904







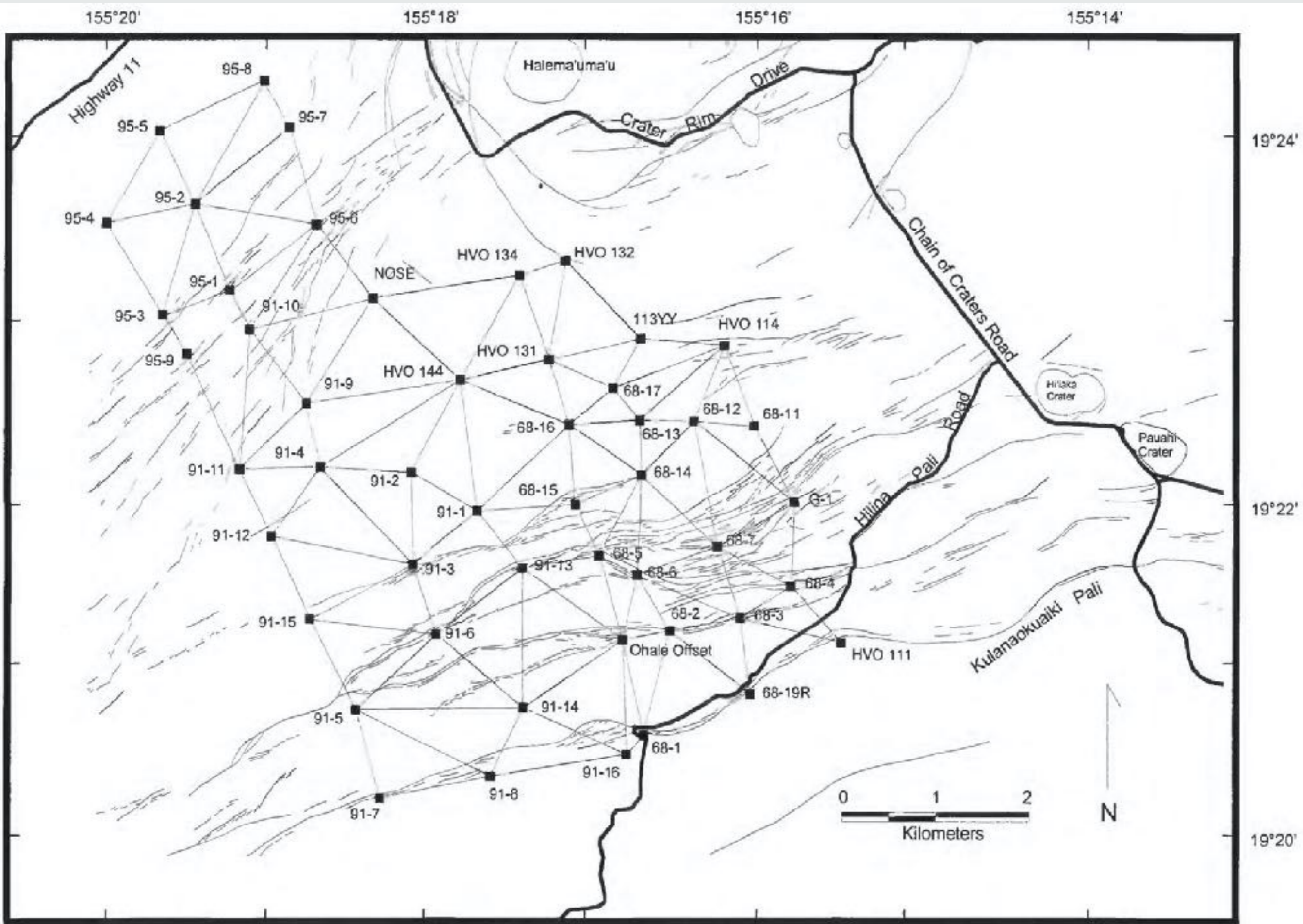


US Geological Survey benchmark, installed October 1, 1906





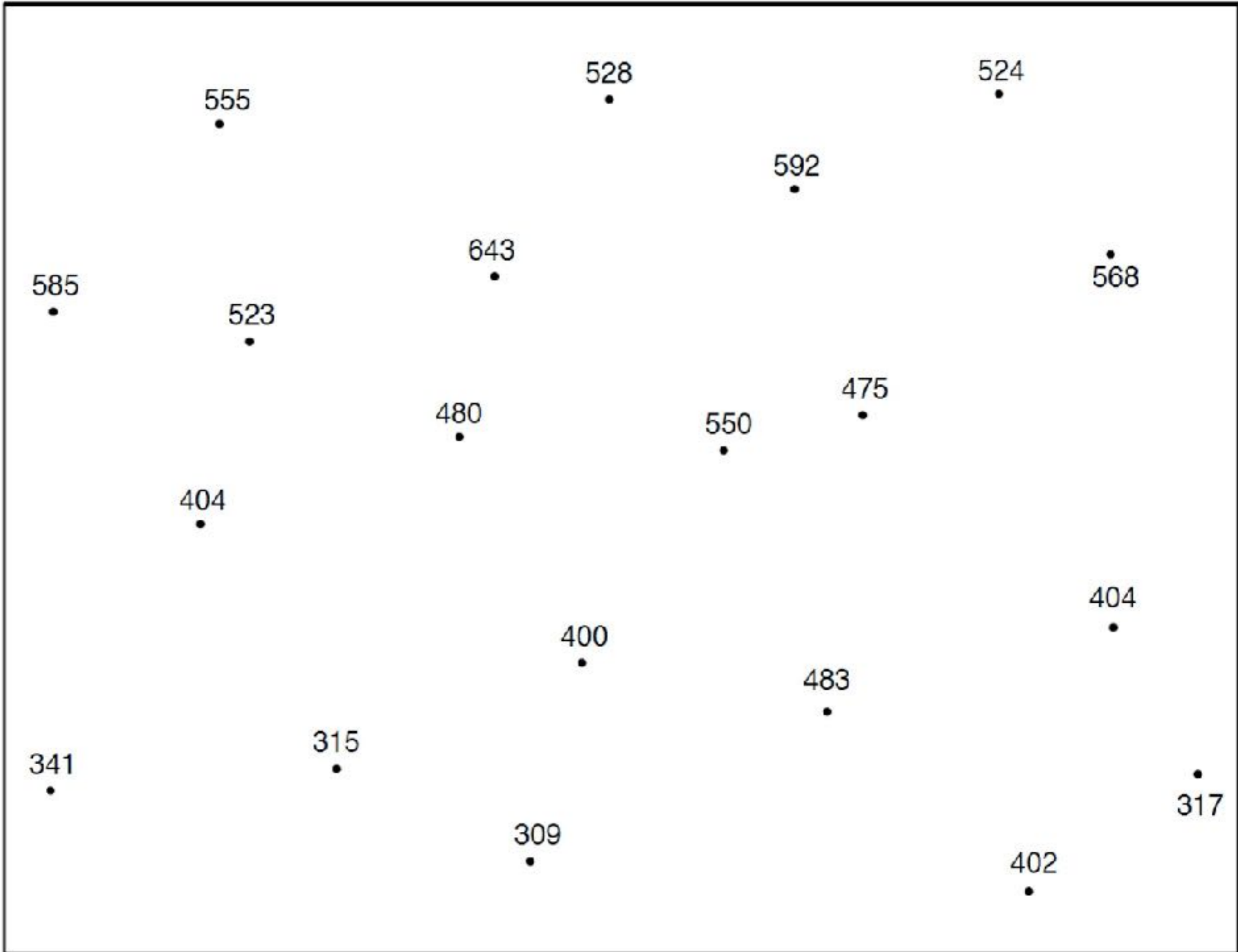
**Using a geodimeter for repeat geodetic surveys of Mt. St. Helens, circa 1970s**



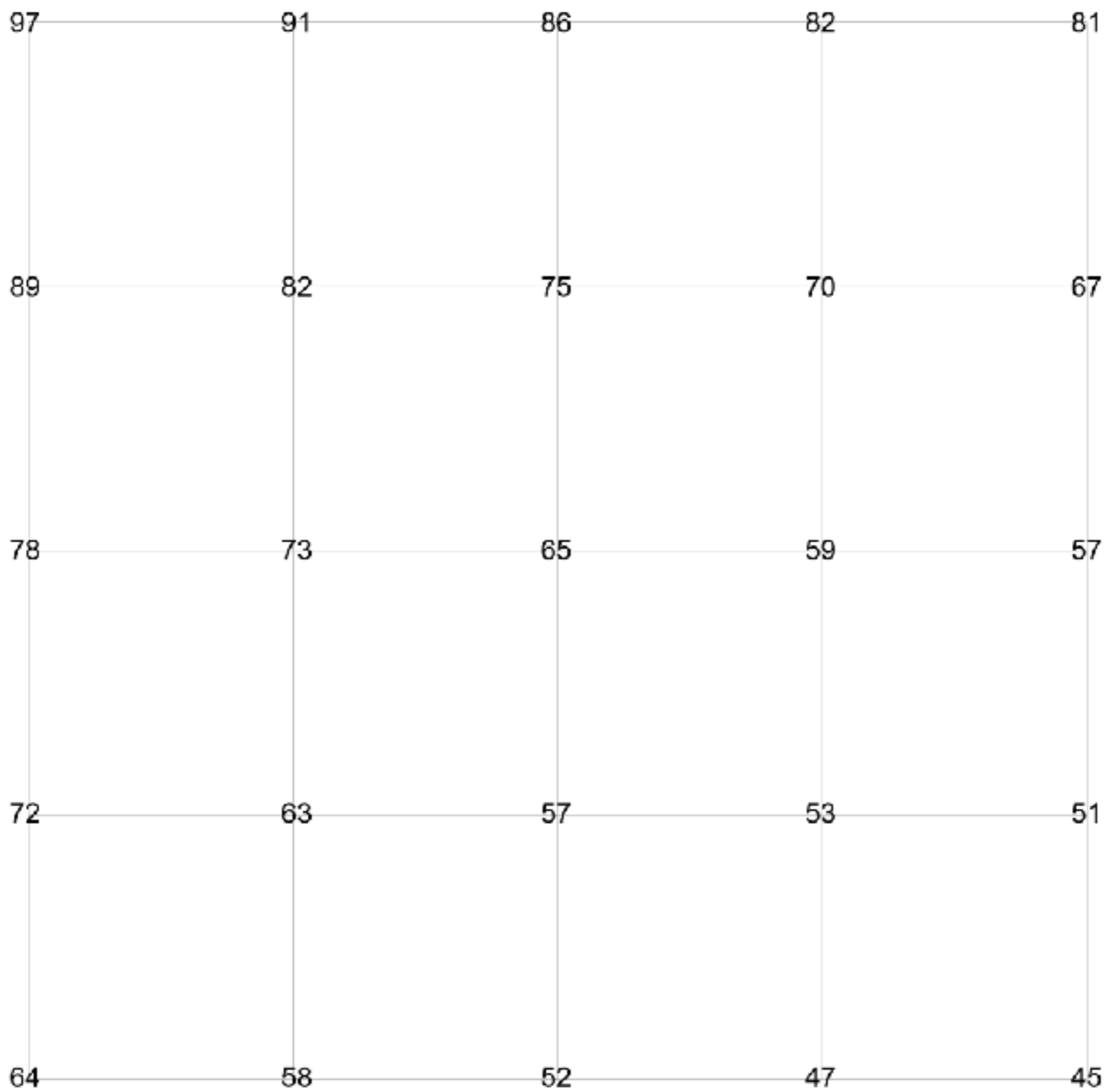
EDM trilateration array, Kilauea, Hawaii, from Avery et al., 2002



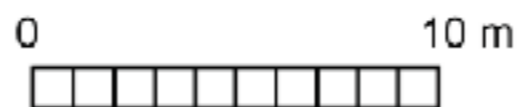
# Contouring Data

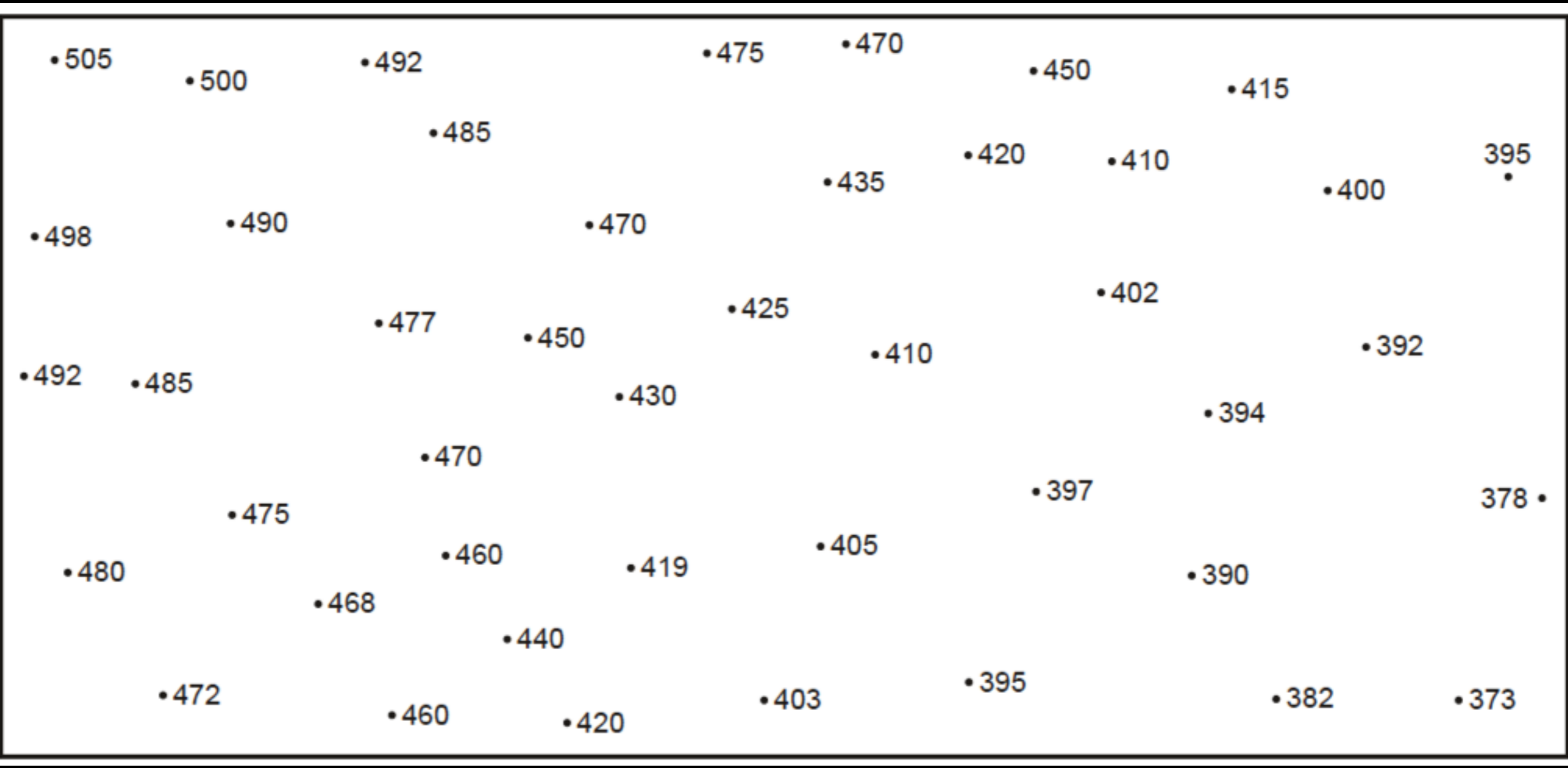


contour interval: 40 m



contour interval = 10 m

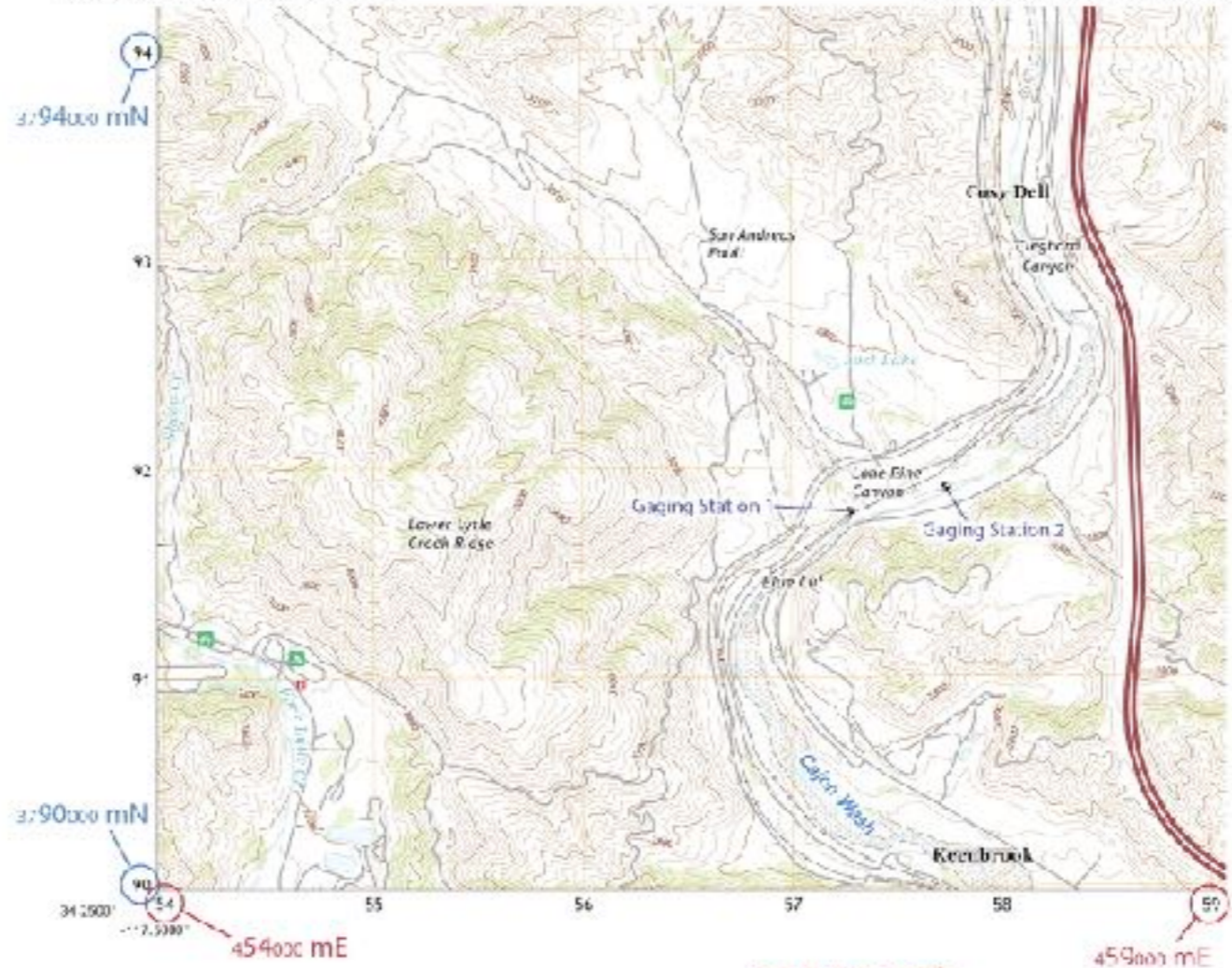




# **Working with a topographic map**



Name (please print legibly): \_\_\_\_\_ CA\_Cajon\_20180913\_TM



Produced by the United States Geological Survey  
 North American Datum of 1983 (NAD83)  
 World Geodetic System of 1984 (WGS84) Spheroid and  
 3-Degree UTM grid Universal Transverse Mercator Zone 11S



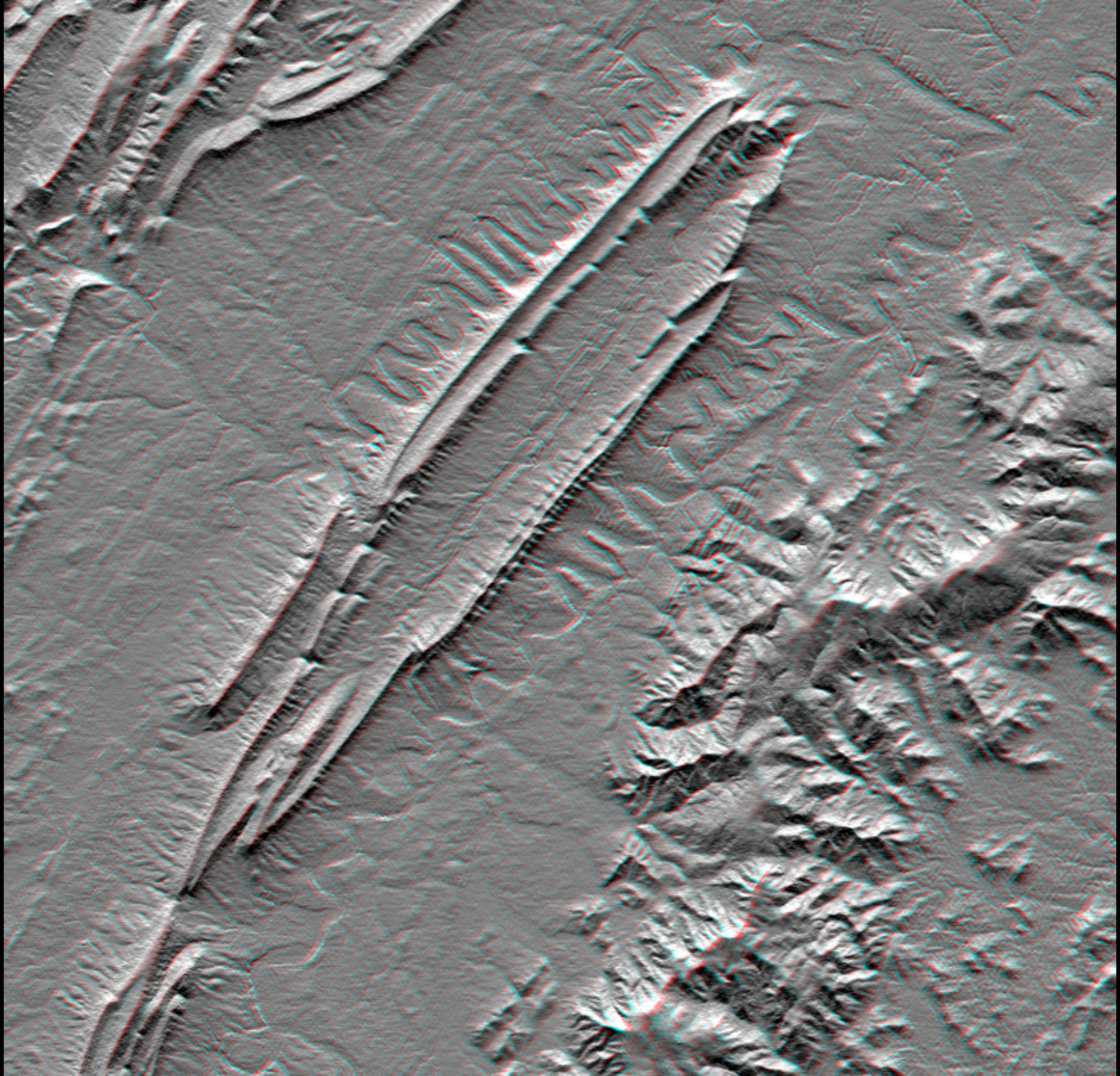
Part of the USGS 7.5 minute topographic  
 quadrangle map of Cajon, CA (2018)

- What is the vertical distance between two adjacent **index contours** on this map? \_\_\_\_\_ feet.
- What is the **contour interval** of this map? \_\_\_\_\_ feet.
- Examine the map to find the **highest** elevation. The highest elevation is between \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ feet above sea level, and is located (approximately) \_\_\_\_\_.
- Examine the map to find the **lowest** elevation. The lowest elevation is between \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ feet above sea level, and is located (approximately) \_\_\_\_\_.
- What is the total relief in this map area? Relief is between \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ feet.
- At what angle west of true north are the yellow UTM-grid-N-S lines printed? \_\_\_\_\_°
- What is the bearing (or azimuth) from Gaging Station 1 to Gaging Station 2 (Hint: a number from 0 to 360°)? \_\_\_\_\_°.
- How widely spaced are adjacent yellow UTM grid lines (either the N-S or E-W lines)? \_\_\_\_\_ km
- What is the distance between Gaging Station 1 and Gaging Station 2? Show your work. \_\_\_\_\_ km

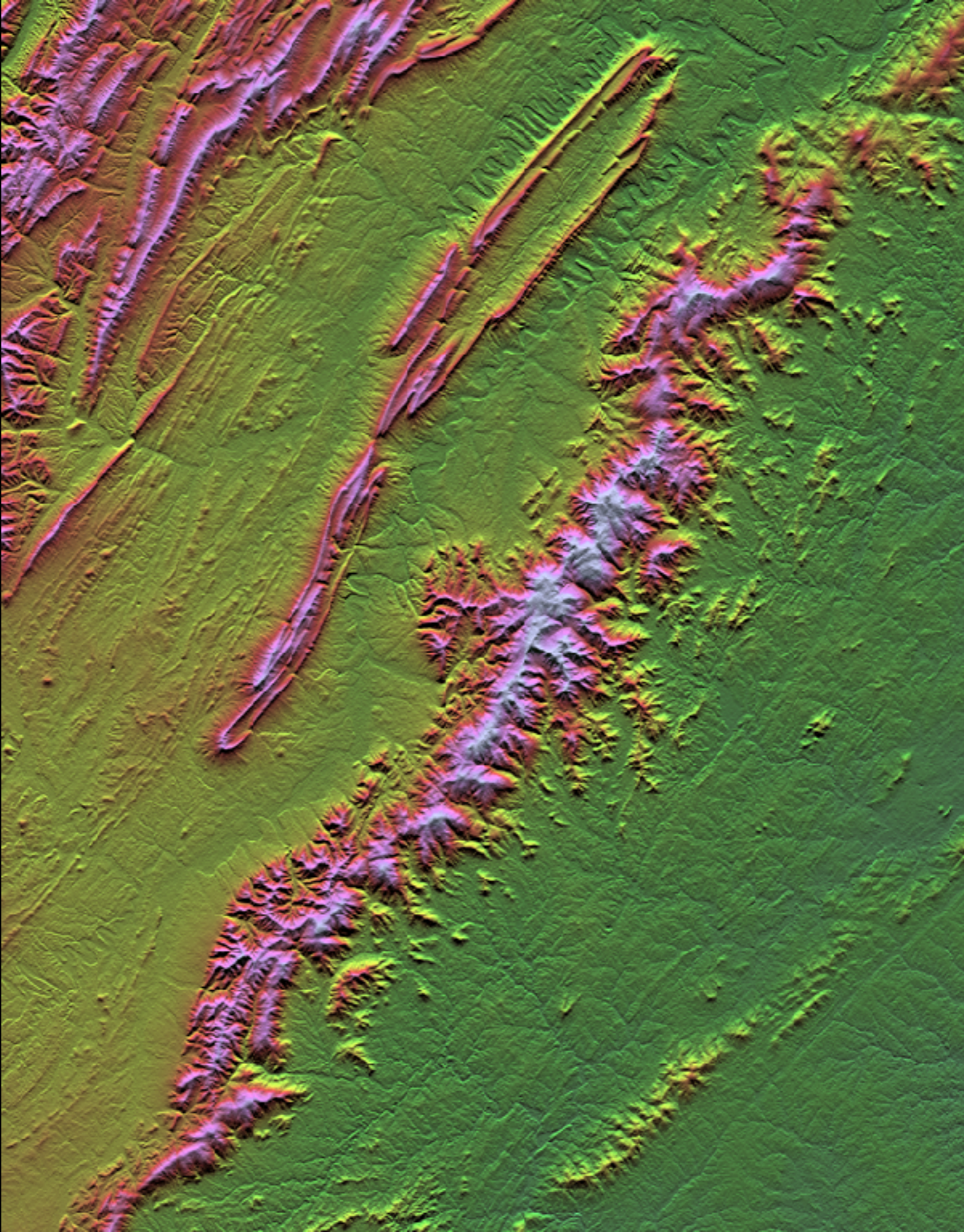
What are the UTM coordinates of Gaging Station 1 (GS1)? Zone 11S, \_\_\_\_\_ mE, \_\_\_\_\_ mN  
 GS1 is 383.5 mm from the east edge of the map (longitude -117.375°) and the map through GS1 is 482.5 mm wide. What is the longitude of GS1? \_\_\_\_\_°

The San Andreas fault zone is marked by a linear valley that extends across the map area. What is the approximate azimuth of the San Andreas fault in this map area? - \_\_\_\_\_°

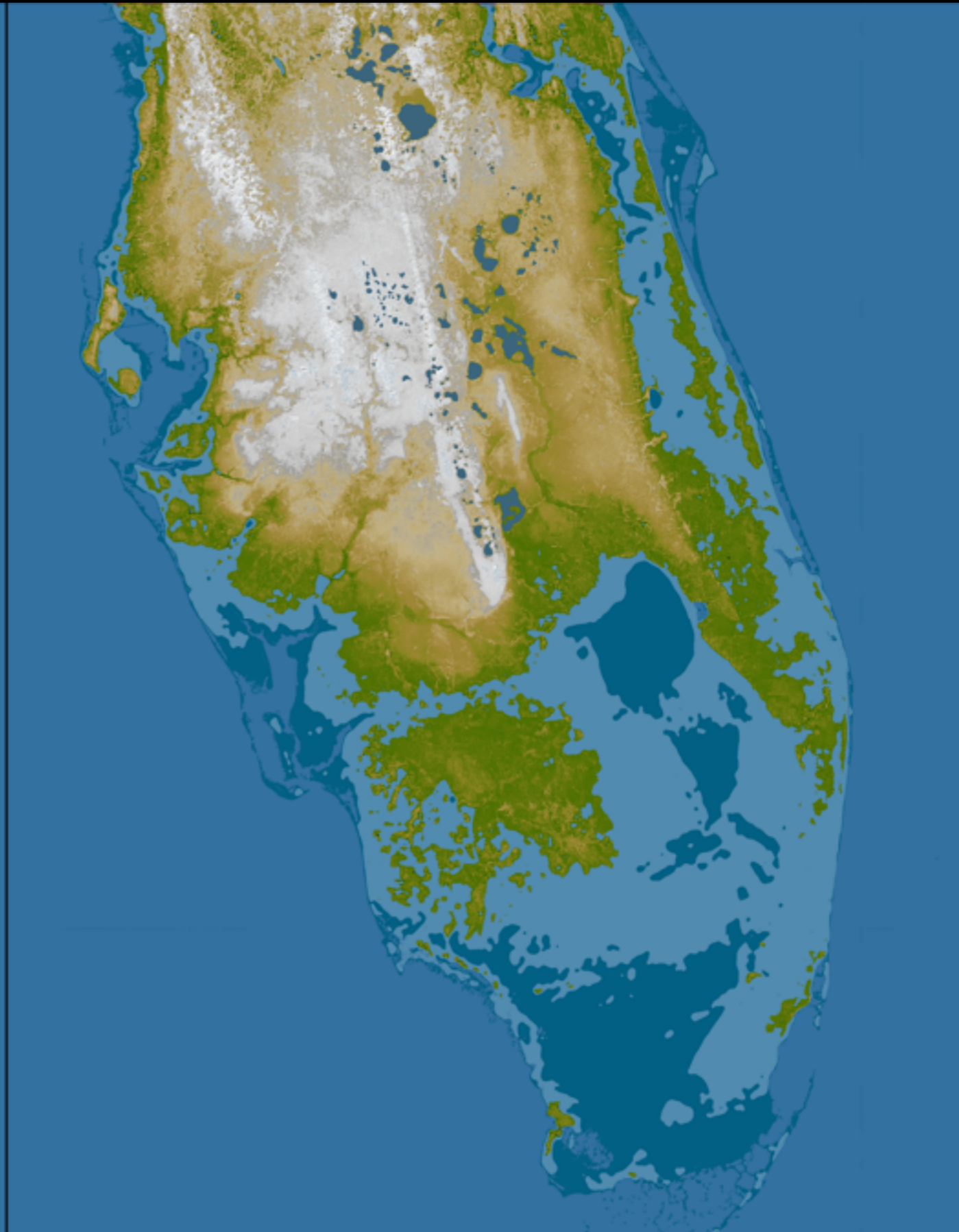
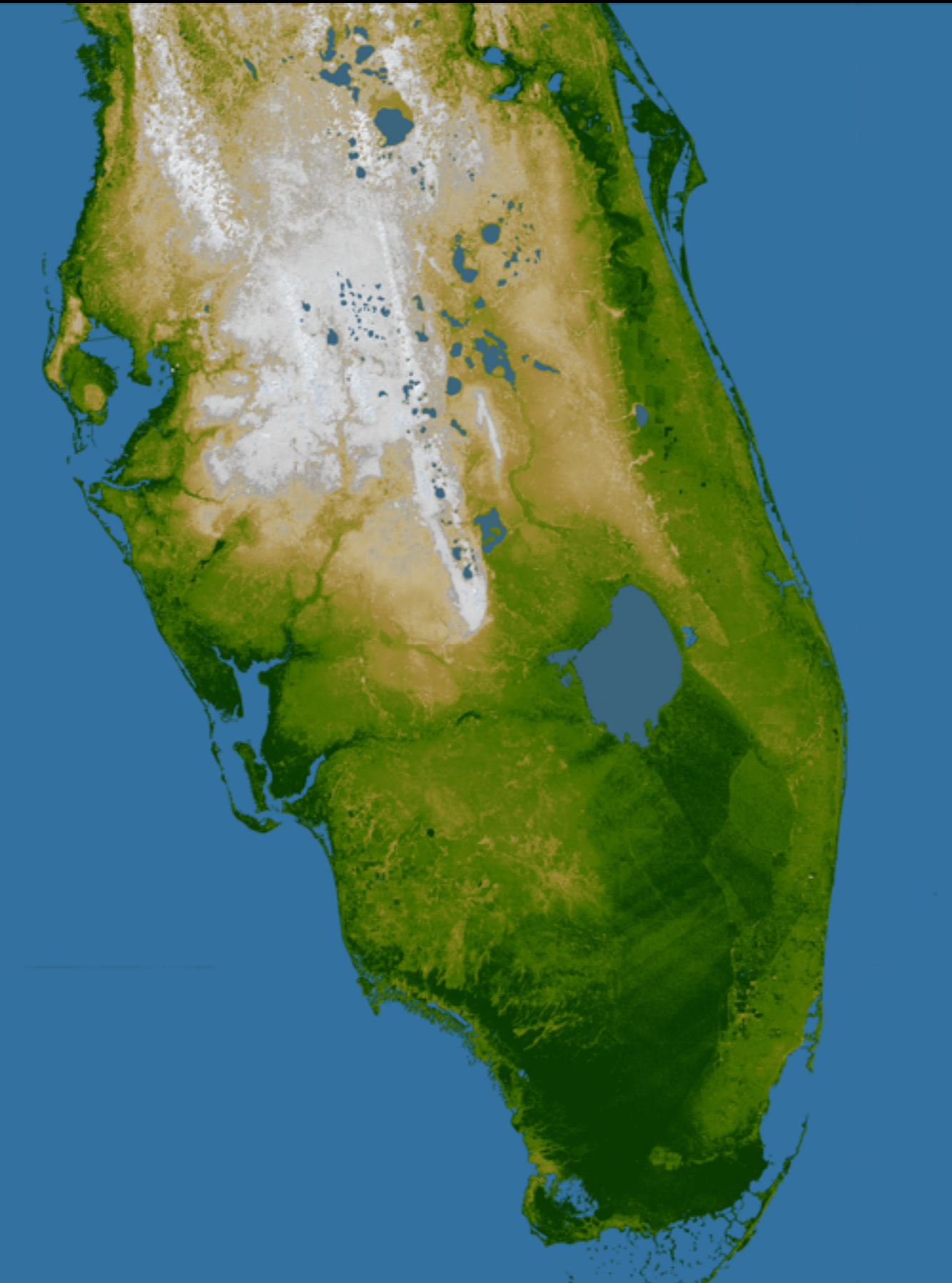
**Measuring topography from an  
orbital platform:  
The Shuttle Radar Topography  
Mission (circa 2000)**



**SRTM C-band  
radar image  
from NASA/JPL**



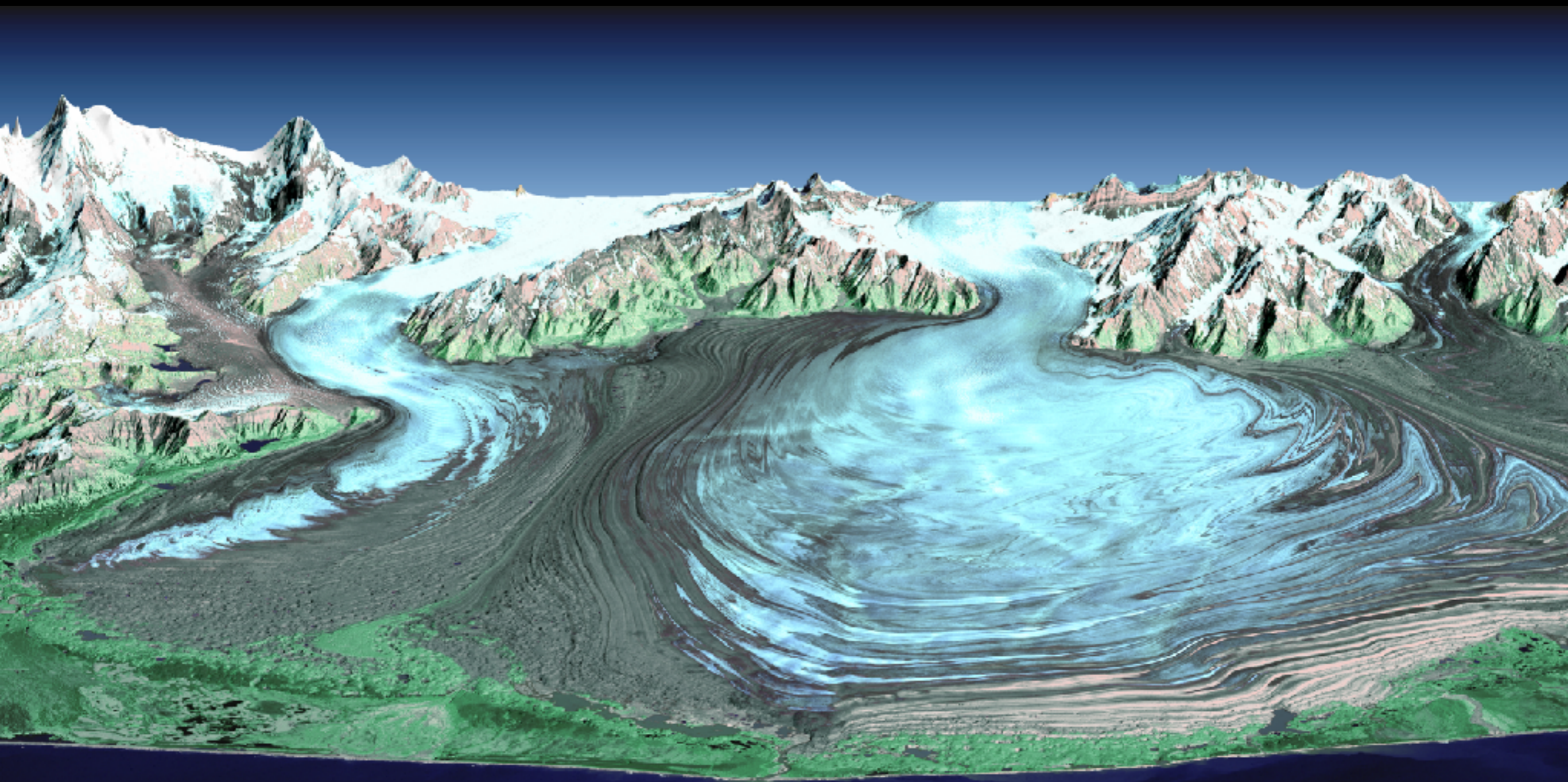
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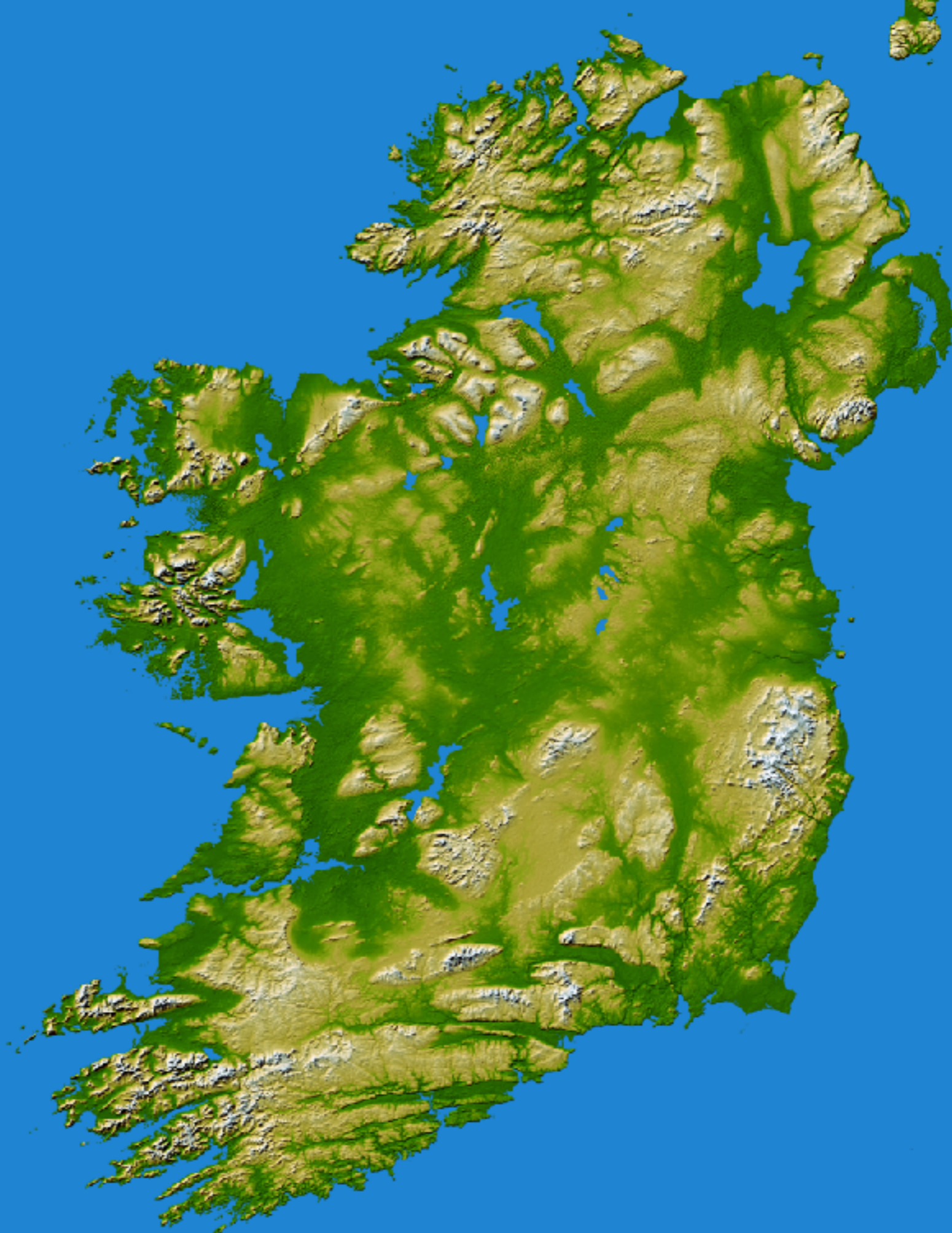


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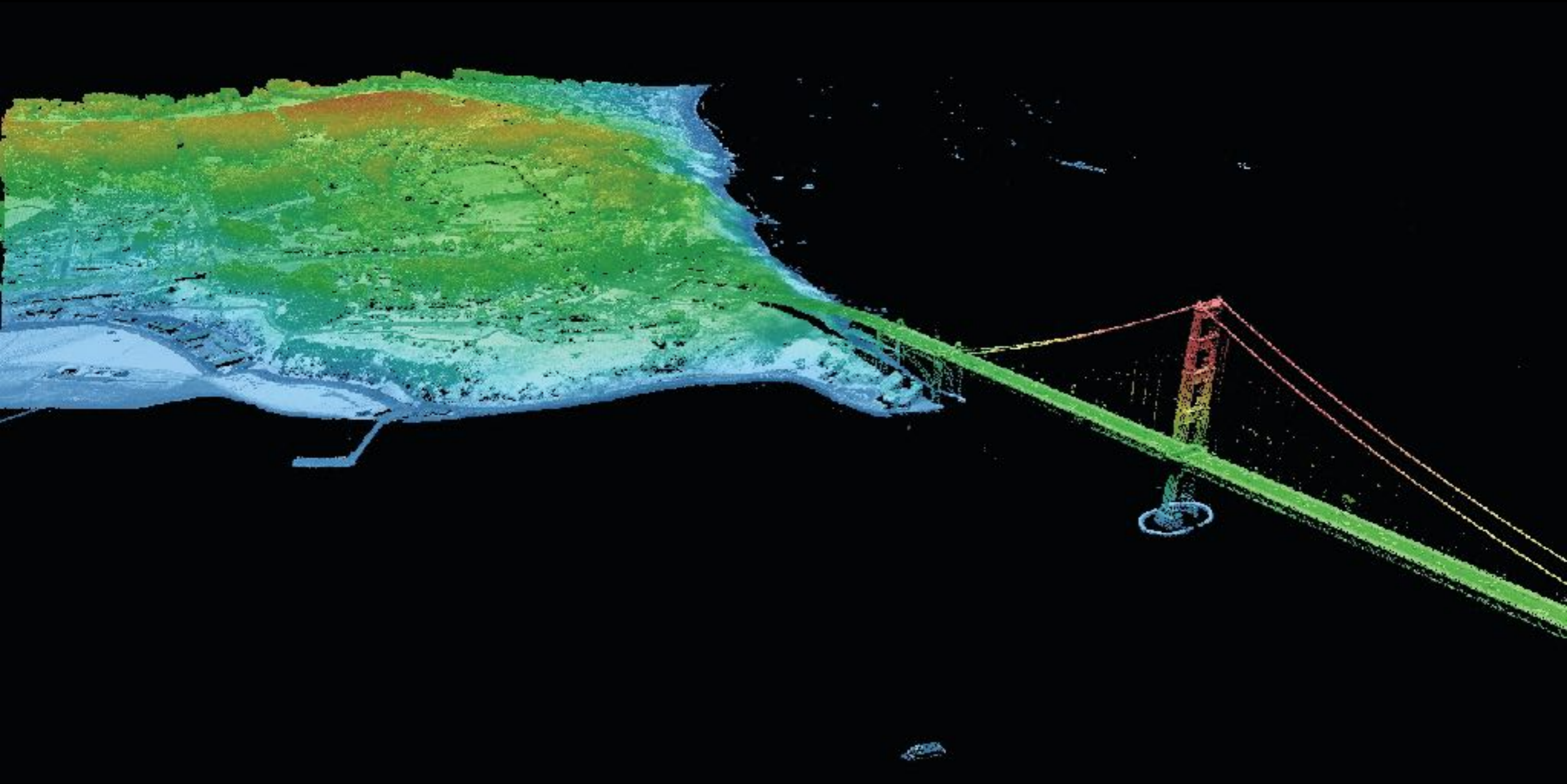
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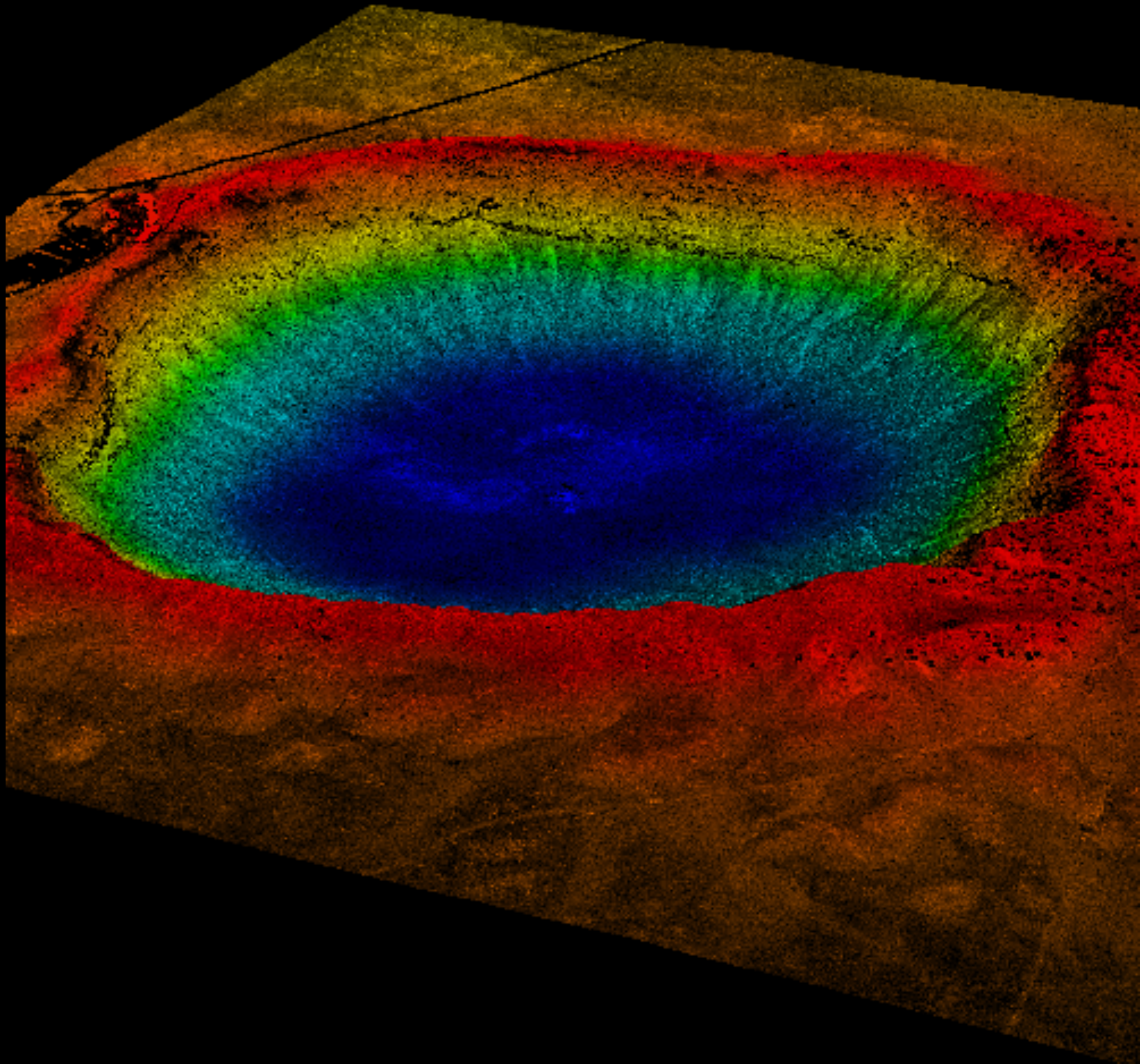




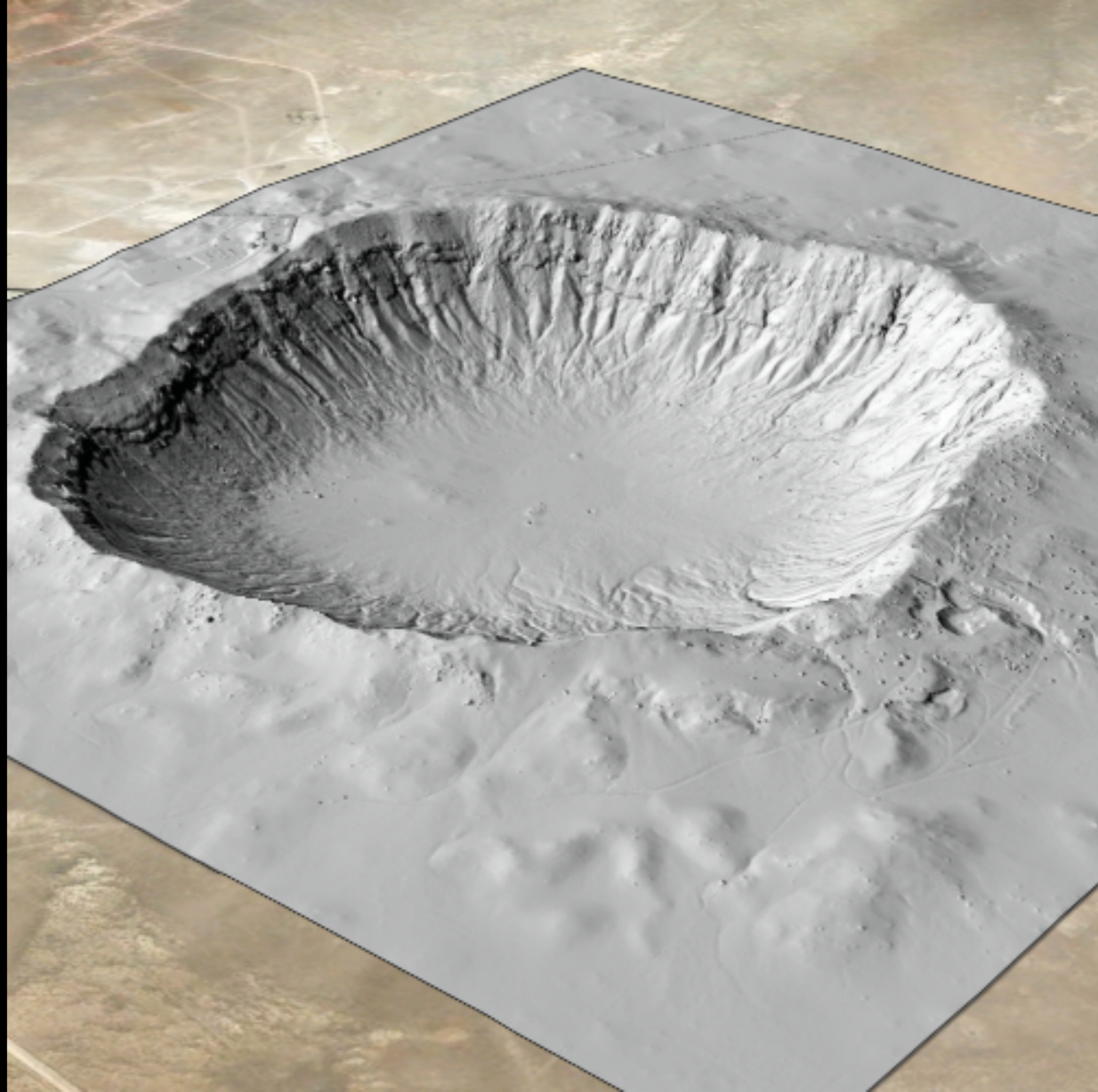
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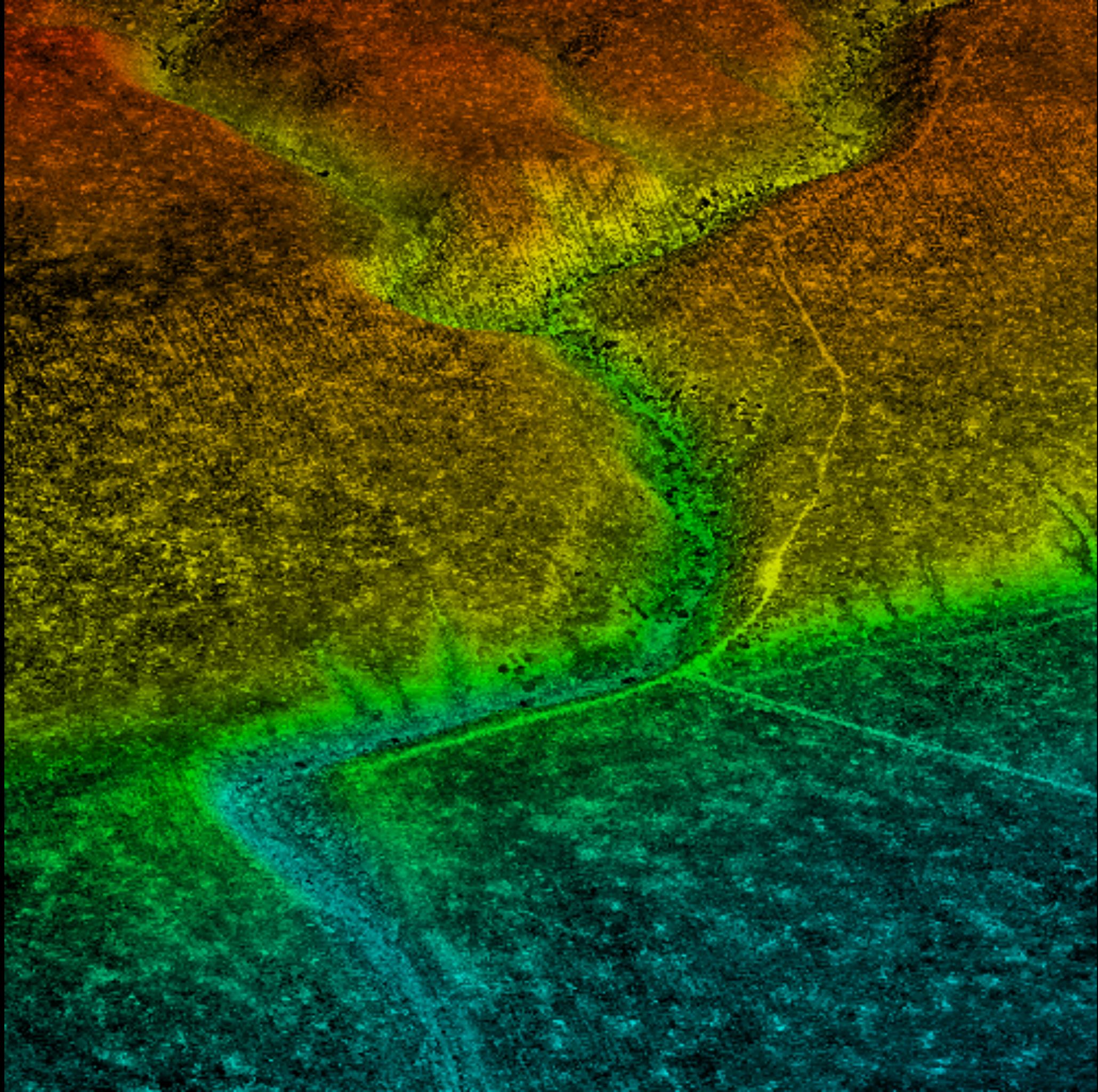
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oblique view



hillshade map from  
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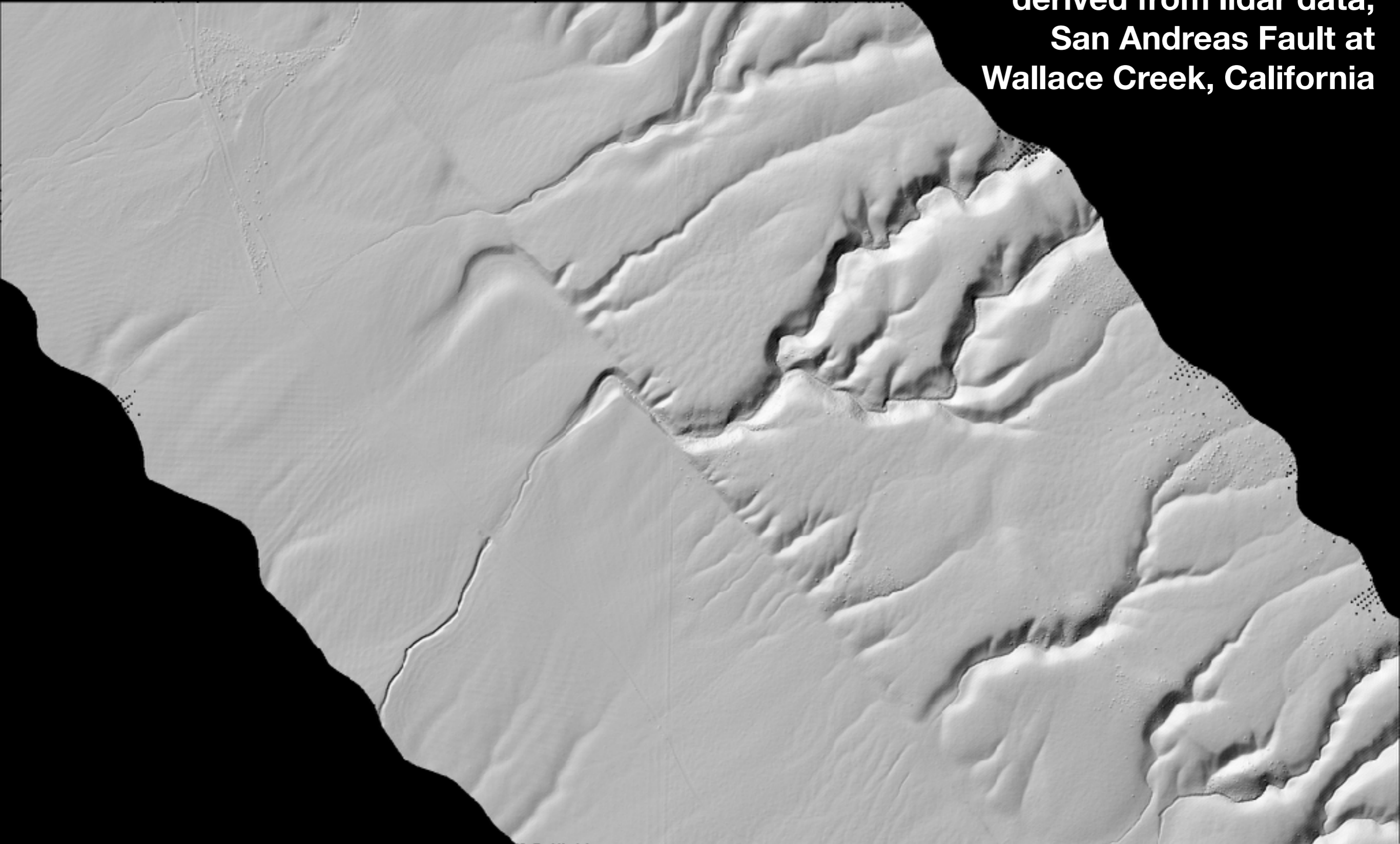
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oblique view



**hillshade map from  
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**hillshade map from bare-earth DEM  
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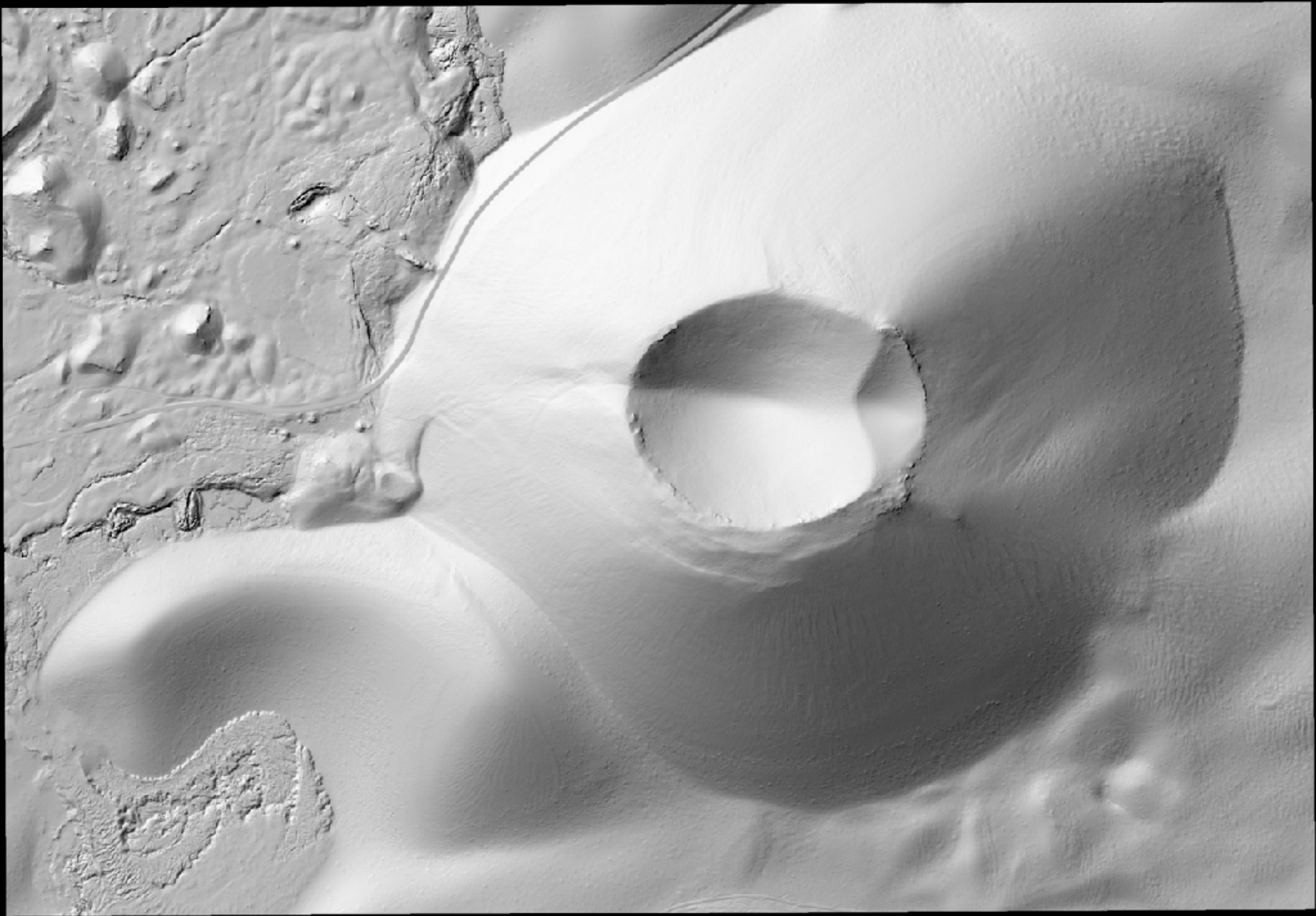
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**Sunset Crater, Arizona**



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