

FIGURES

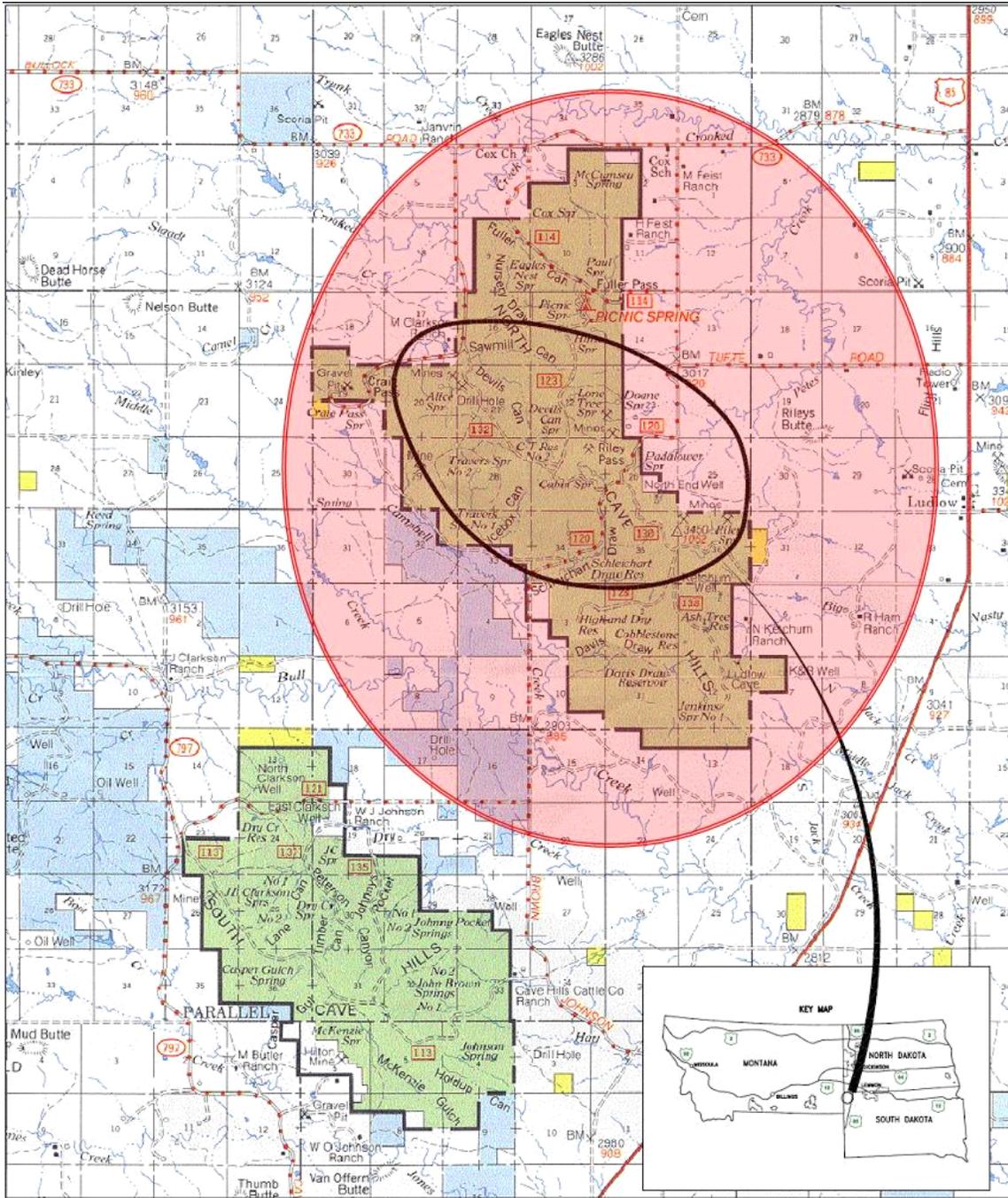
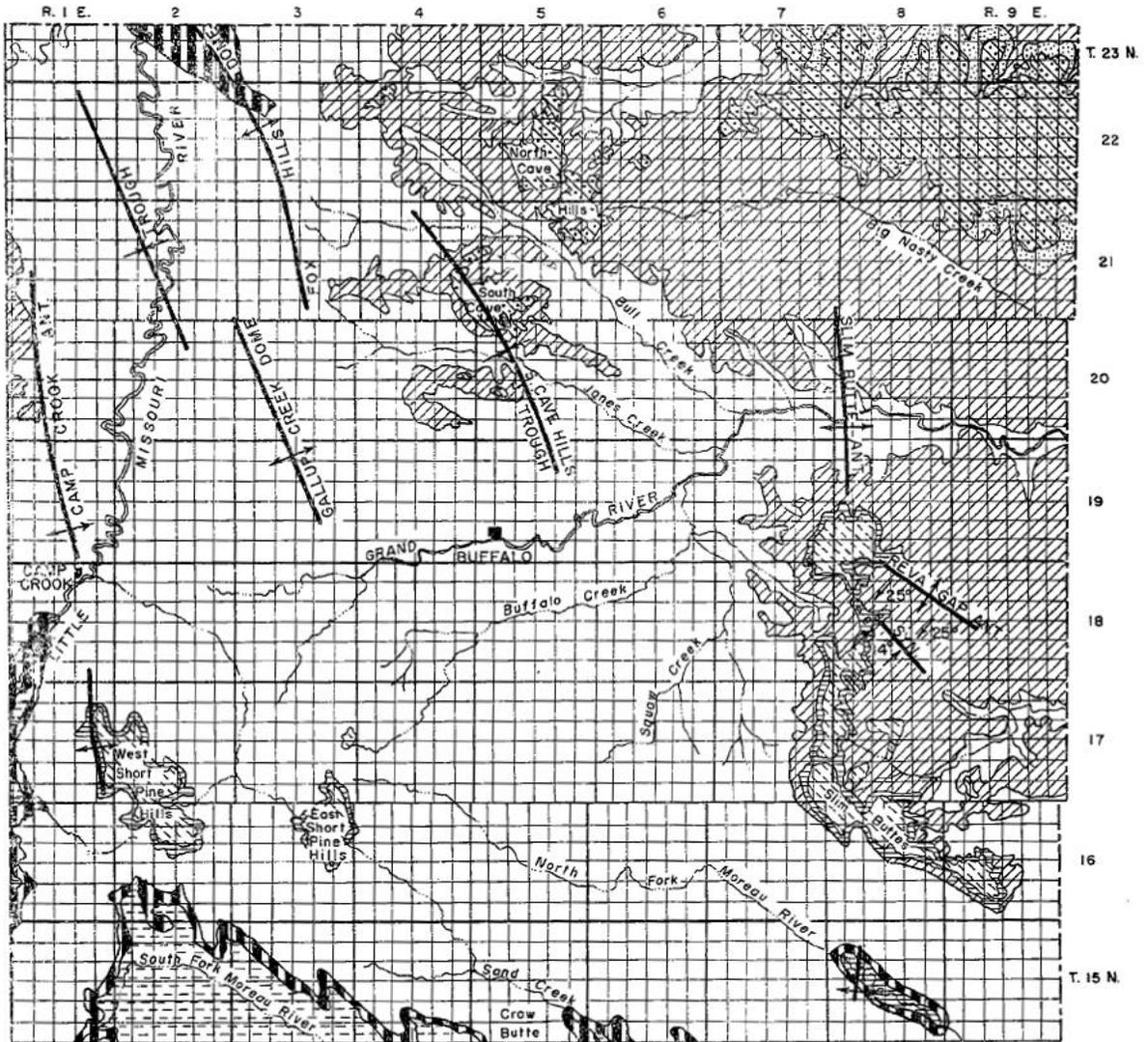


Figure 2.1: Study location map of the North Cave Hills; black oval marks the abandoned Riley Pass uranium mines; red, shaded oval represents the area covered by this investigation.

**FINAL REPORT: North Cave Hills Abandoned Uranium Mines Impact Investigation**  
**South Dakota School of Mines and Technology**



**LEGEND**

- |  |                                |  |                      |
|--|--------------------------------|--|----------------------|
|  | Ogallala or Arikaree Formation |  | Hell Creek Formation |
|  | White River Group              |  | Fox Hills Formation  |
|  | Tongue River Formation         |  | Pierre Formation     |
|  | Ludlow-Cannonball Formation    |  | Dip in degrees       |

**SCALE IN MILES**



Figure 2.2: Geologic map of Harding County (from Curtiss, 1955).

*FINAL REPORT: North Cave Hills Abandoned Uranium Mines Impact Investigation  
South Dakota School of Mines and Technology*

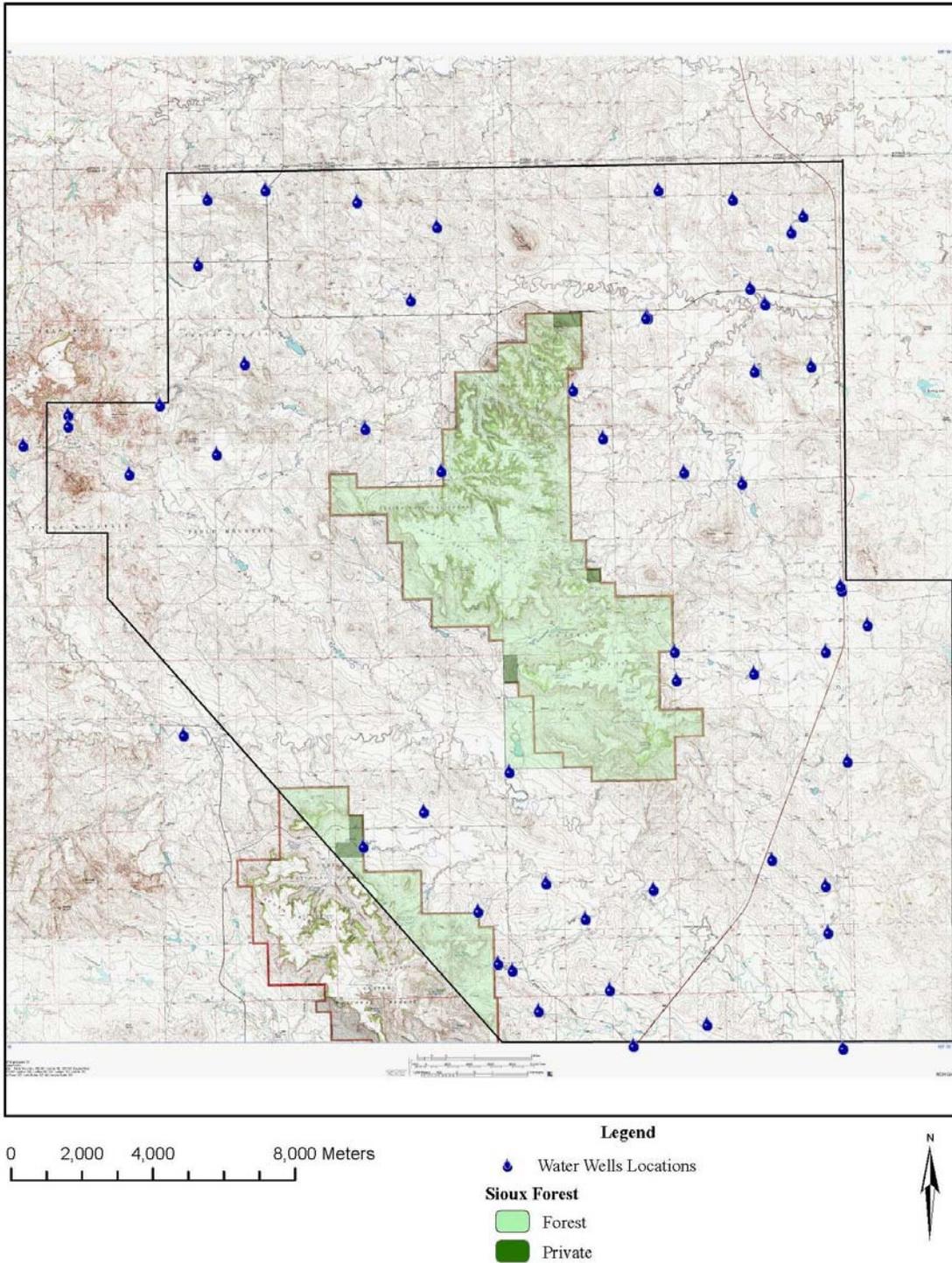


Figure 2.3: Groundwater study location map (5-mile radius inside black box) and location of 57 wells from which 34 were sampled. Northern border is the SD-ND line

*FINAL REPORT: North Cave Hills Abandoned Uranium Mines Impact Investigation  
South Dakota School of Mines and Technology*

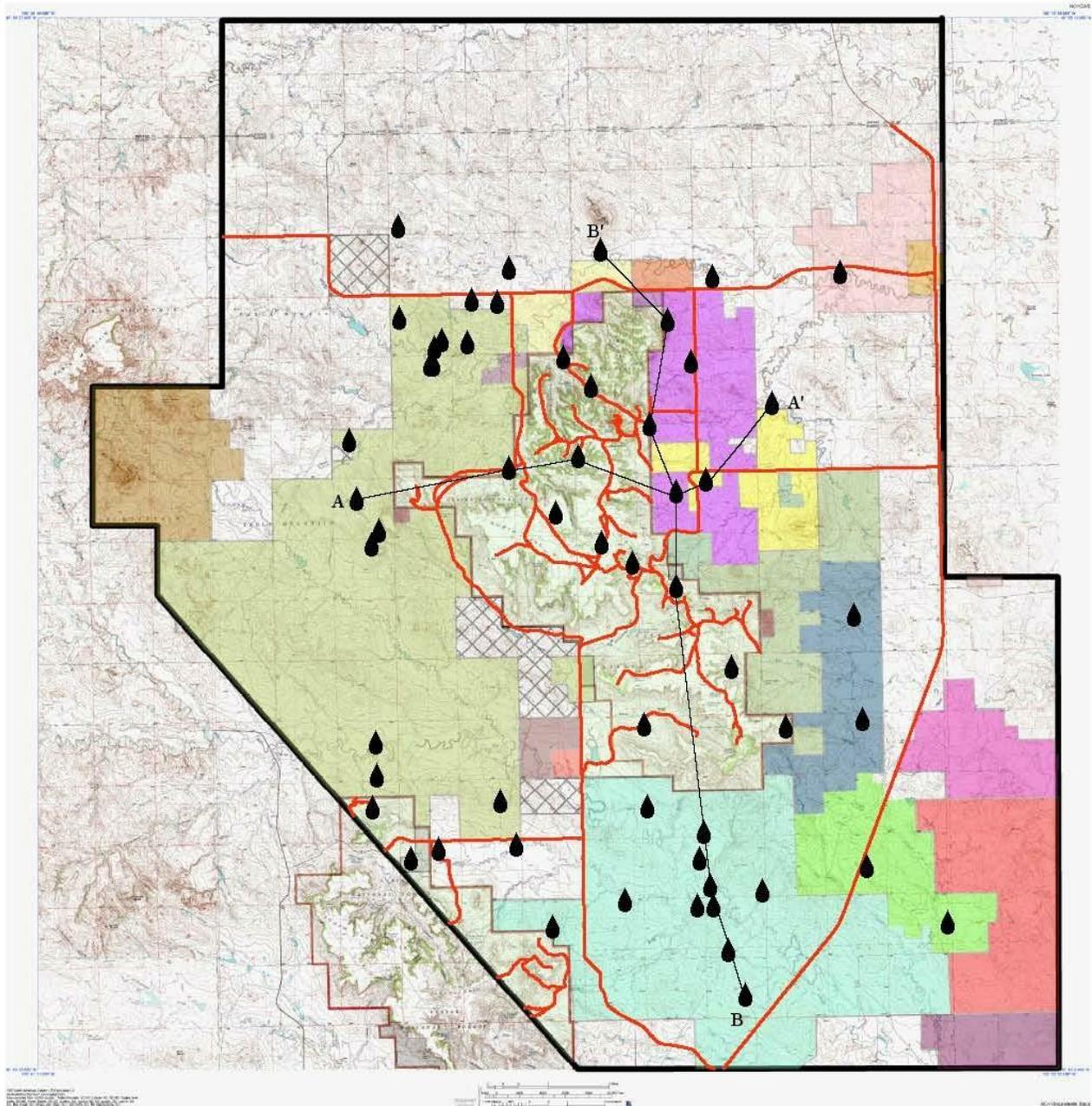


Figure 2.4: Oil well locations utilized in construction of stratigraphic cross-sections A-A' (W-E) and B-B' (S-N).

*FINAL REPORT: North Cave Hills Abandoned Uranium Mines Impact Investigation  
South Dakota School of Mines and Technology*

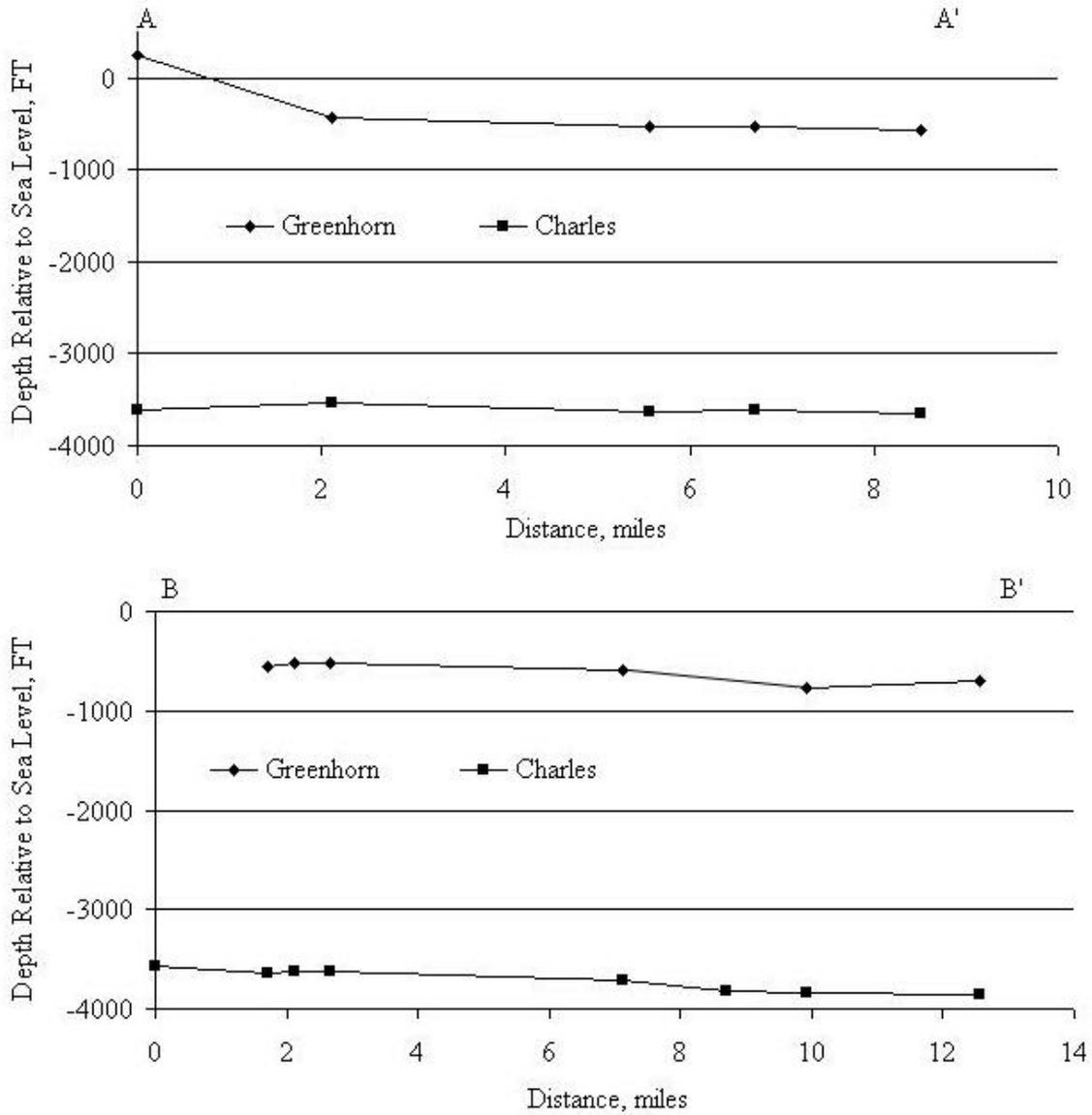


Figure 2.5: Resultant dip gradients drawn on the top of the Greenhorn and Charles formations for cross-section A-A' and B-B' shown on Figure 2.4. Resultant dip is 30 feet/mi to the NE.

**FINAL REPORT: North Cave Hills Abandoned Uranium Mines Impact Investigation**  
**South Dakota School of Mines and Technology**

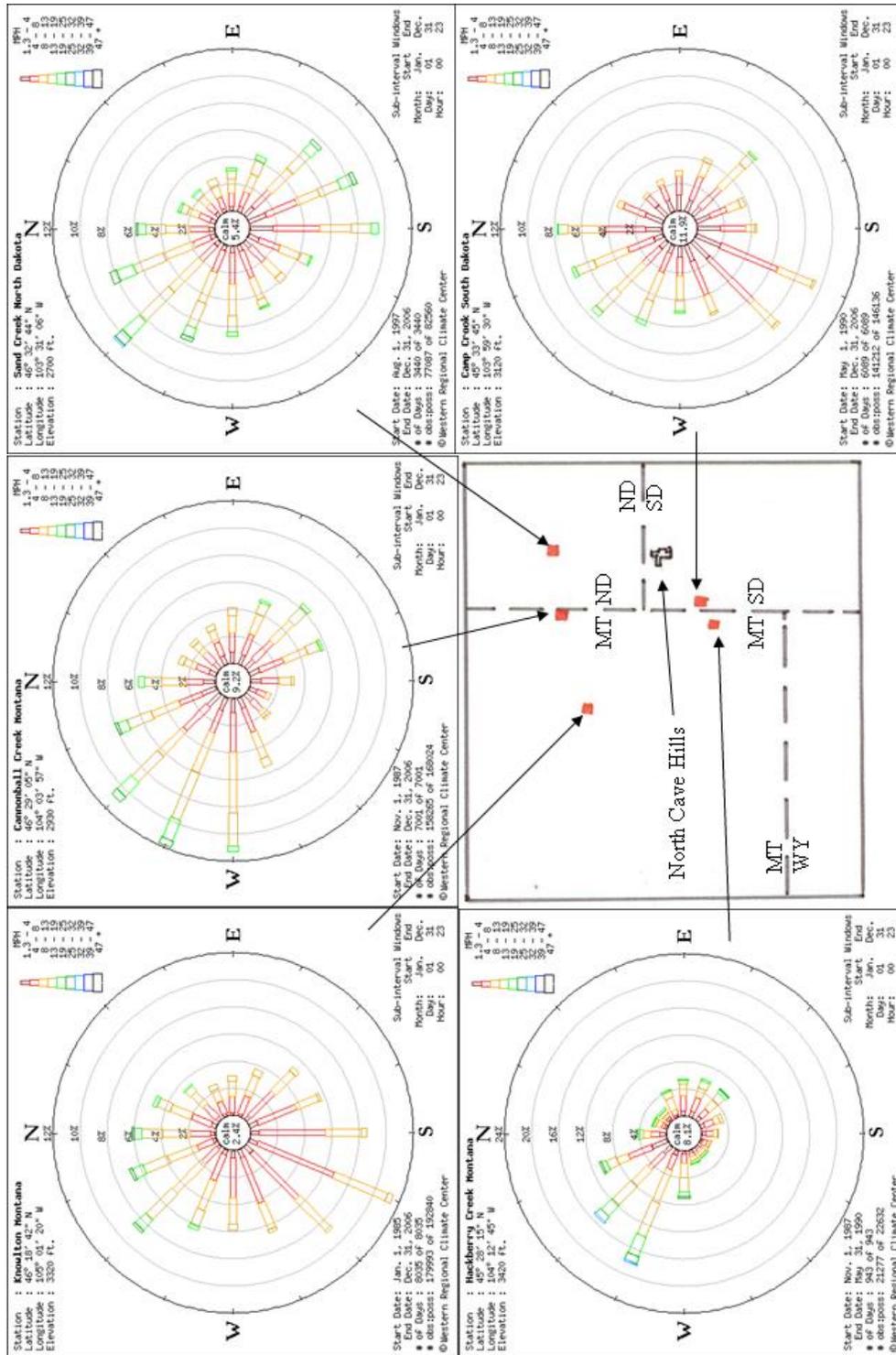


Figure 2.6: Wind roses and site locations of the 5 climate stations used to analyze wind speed and direction data for the North Cave Hills

**FINAL REPORT: North Cave Hills Abandoned Uranium Mines Impact Investigation**  
**South Dakota School of Mines and Technology**

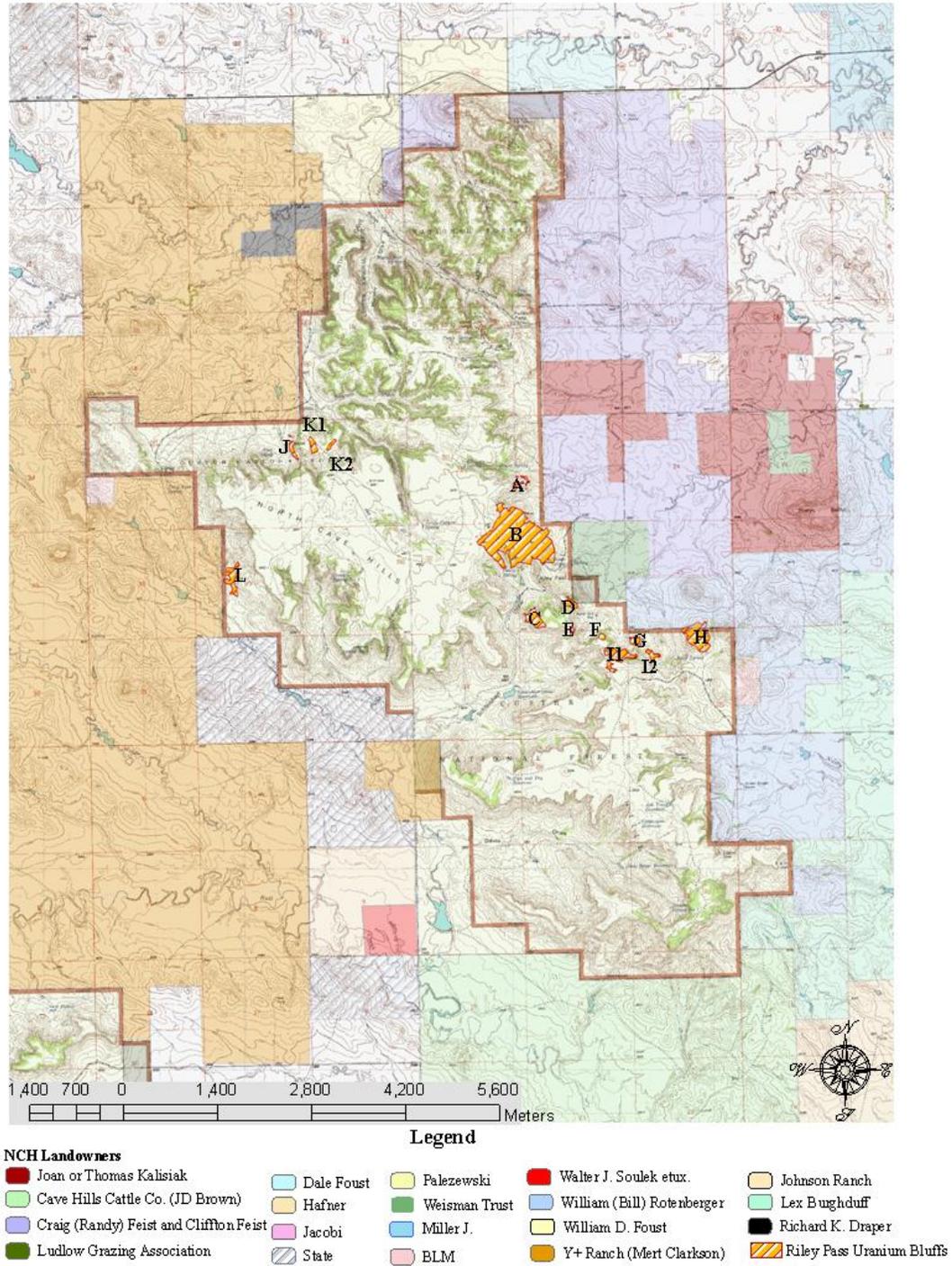


Figure 3.1: Location of mined Bluffs Private landownership surrounding the North Cave Hills is indicated by different color shading.



Figure 3.2: Historical photograph of overburden disposal at Bluff G (from USDA-USFS impact report, 1964).



Figure 3.3: Current Bluff B overburden.

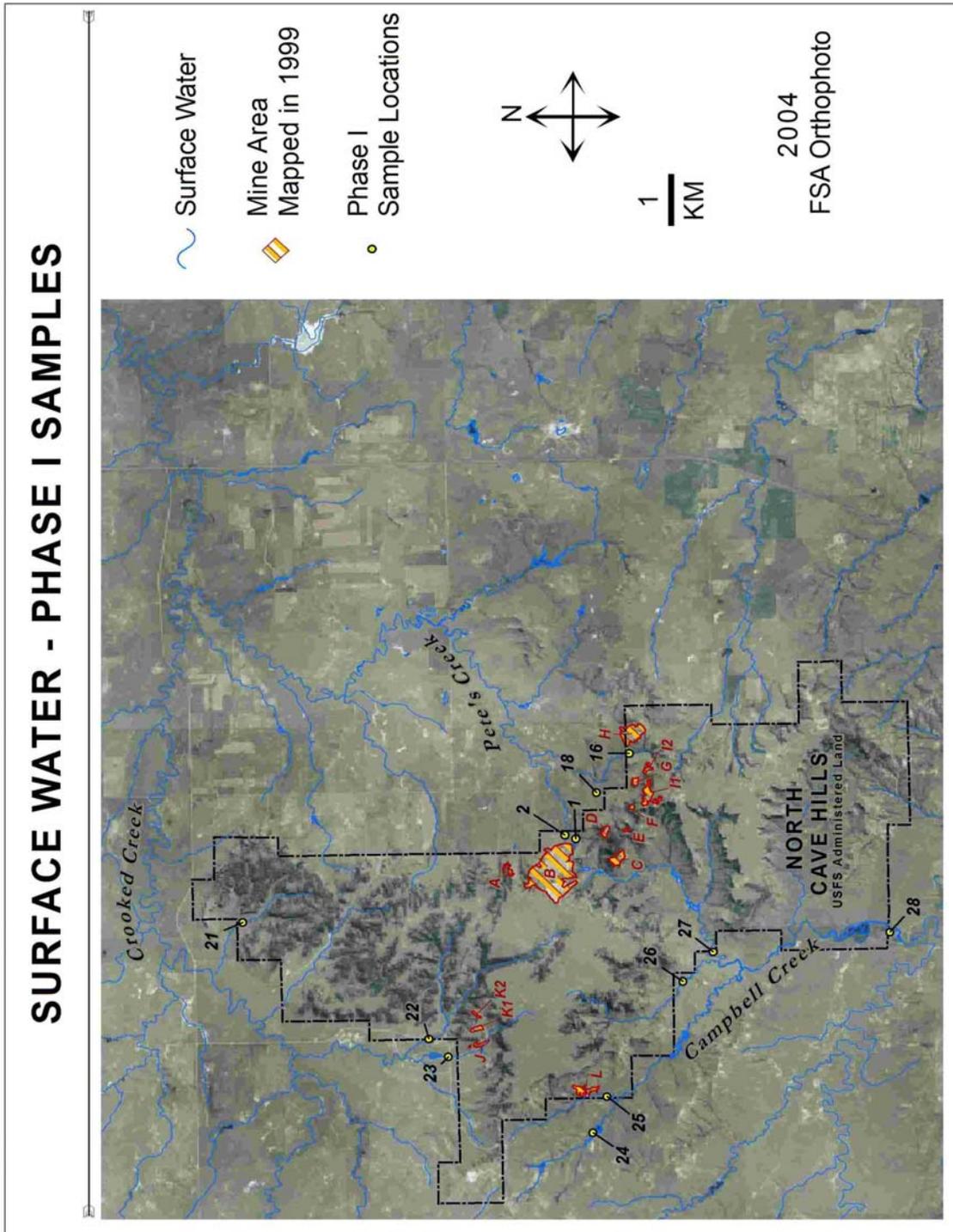


Figure 6.1: North Cave Hills Phase I surface water sampling locations

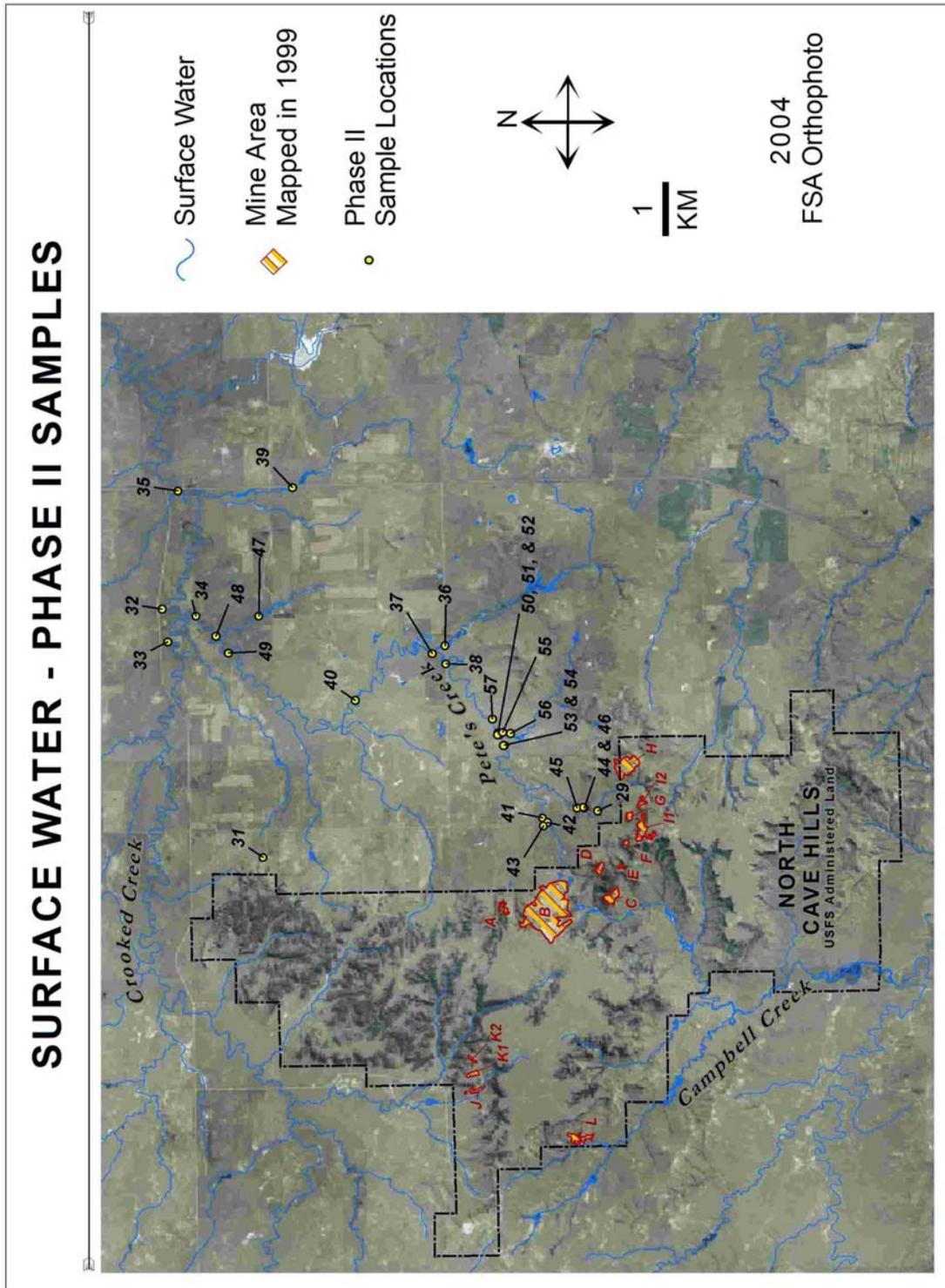


Figure 6.2: North Cave Hills Phase II surface water sampling locations

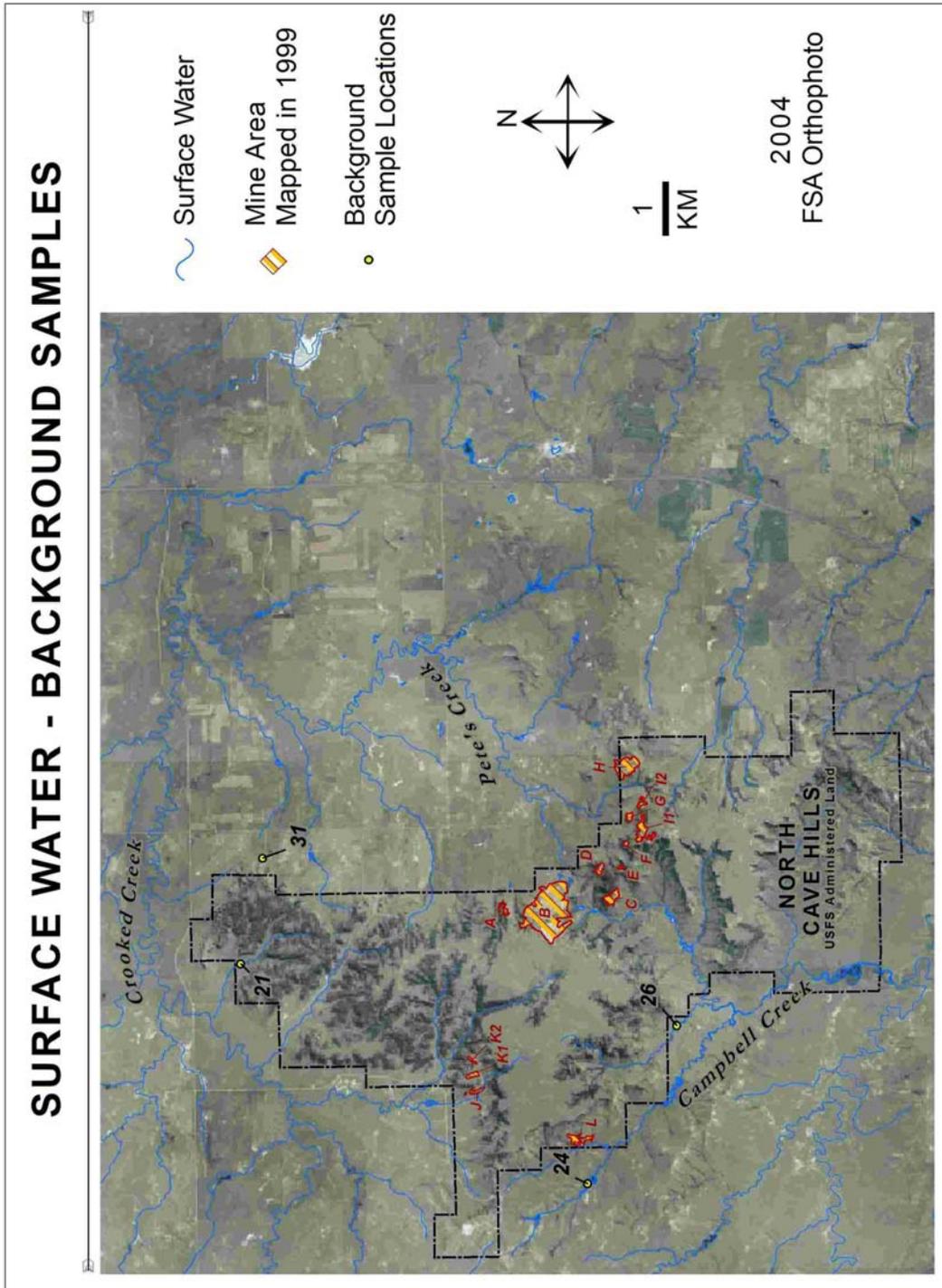


Figure 6.3: North Cave Hills surface water background sampling locations.



Figure 6.4: Bluff B sediment and spoil areas within the upper reaches of Pete's Creek.



Figure 6.5: NCH SW 27 sampling location located near the terminus of Schleichart Draw as it crosses the USFS road onto private land.



Figure 6.6: NCH SW 28 sampling location below an existing stock dam within the Campbell Creek watershed

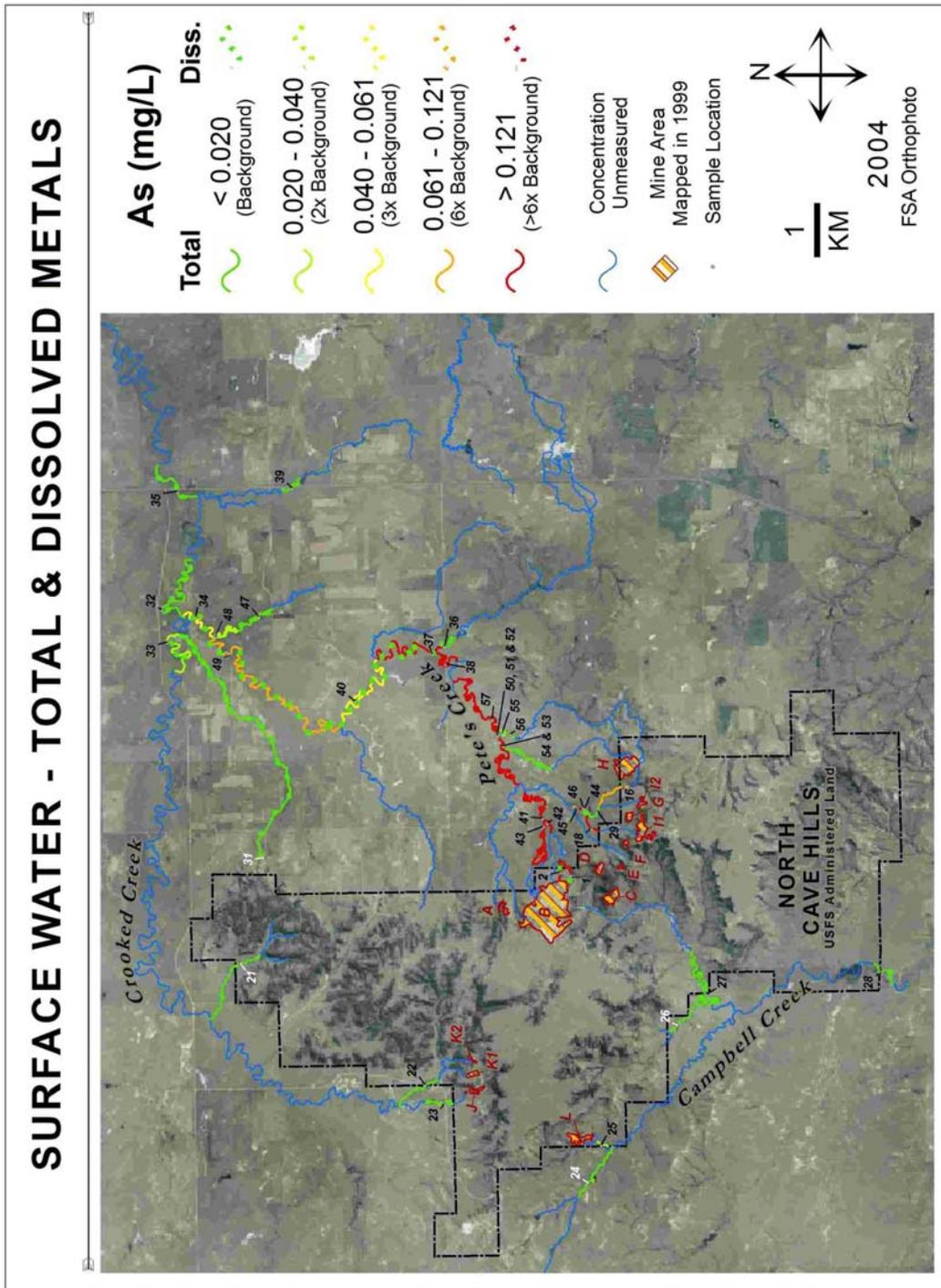


Figure 6.7: North Cave Hills surface water results for total and dissolved arsenic.

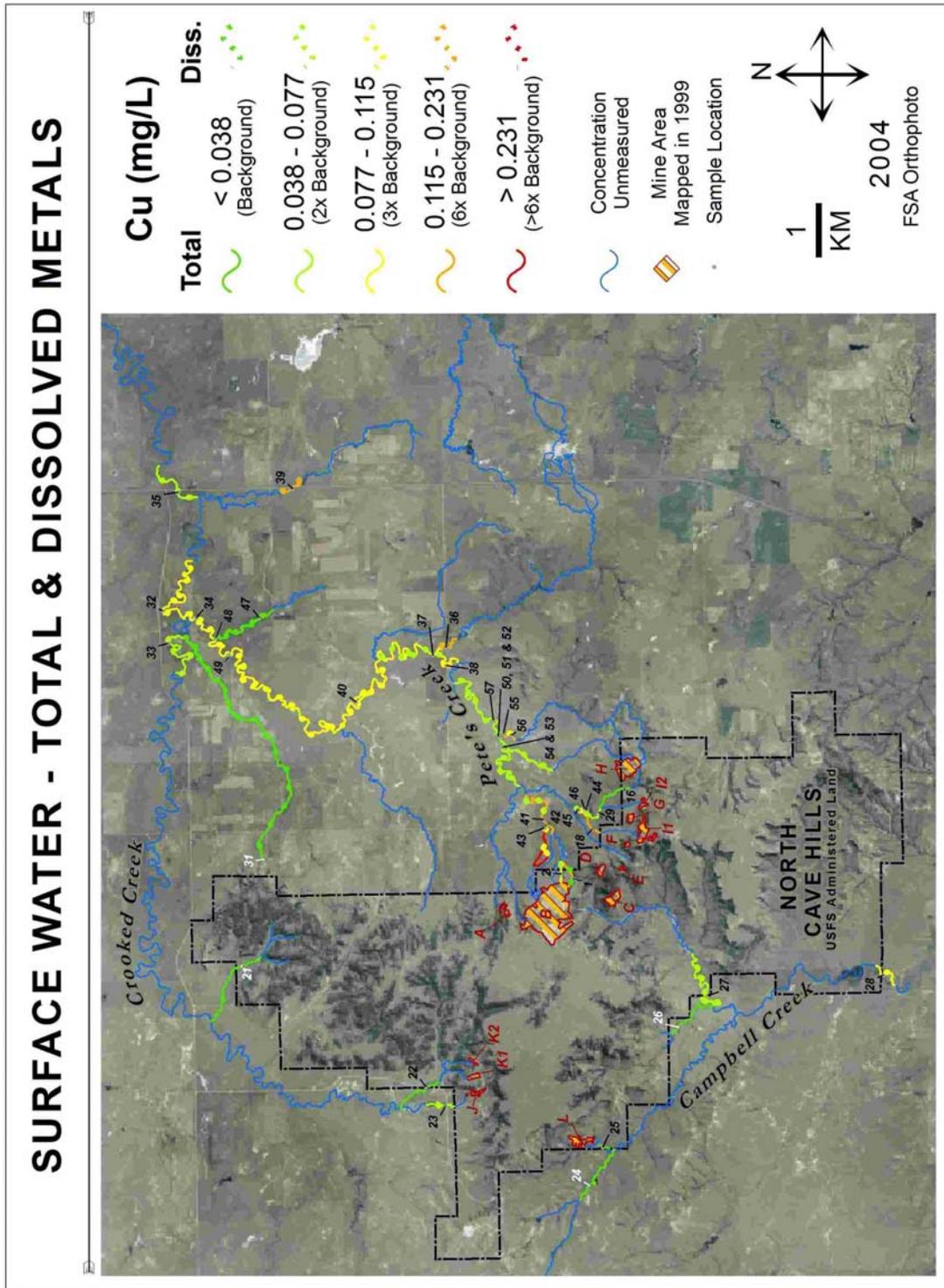


Figure 6.8: North Cave Hills surface water results for total and dissolved copper.

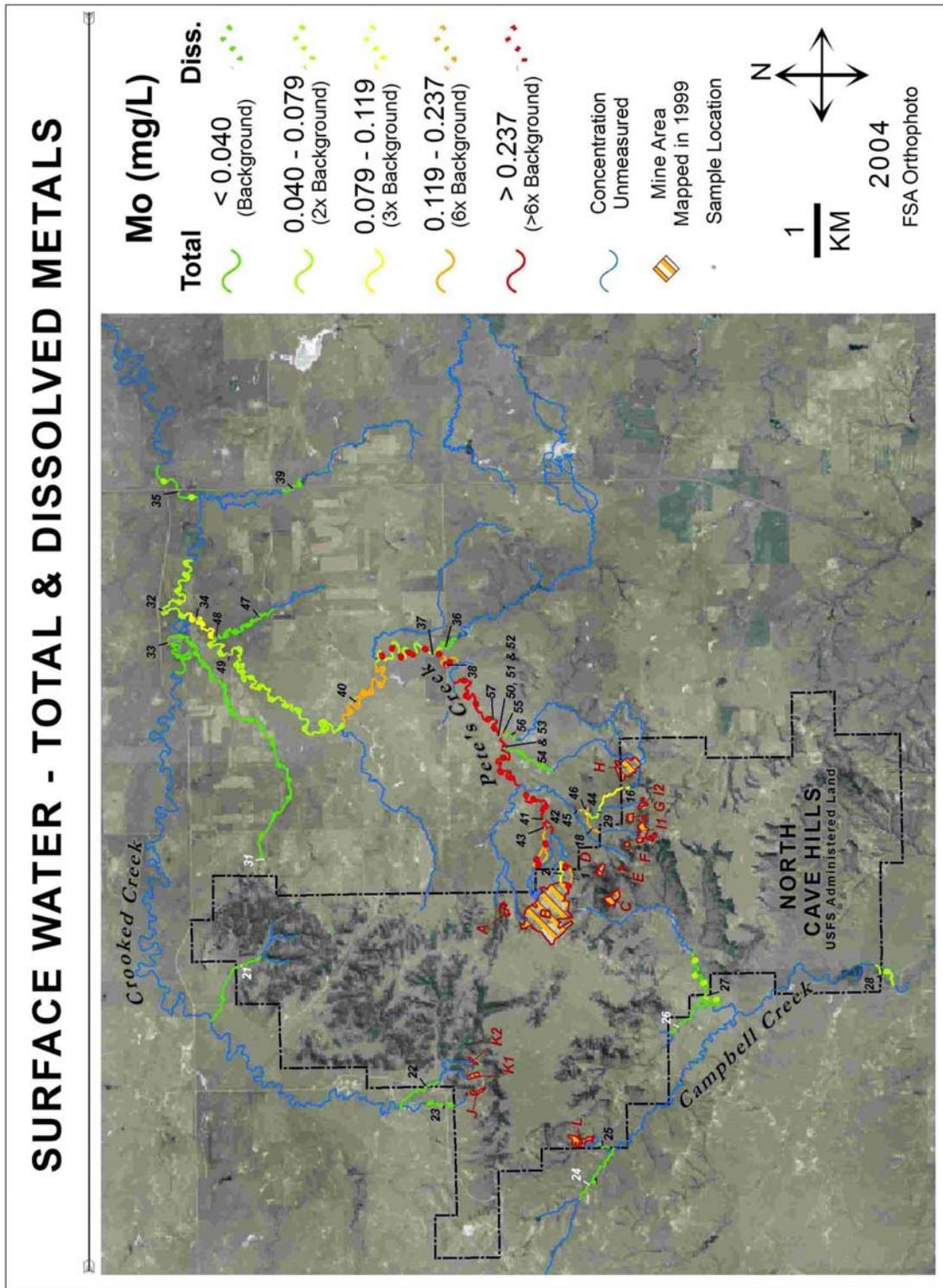


Figure 6.9: North Cave Hills surface water results for total and dissolved molybdenum.

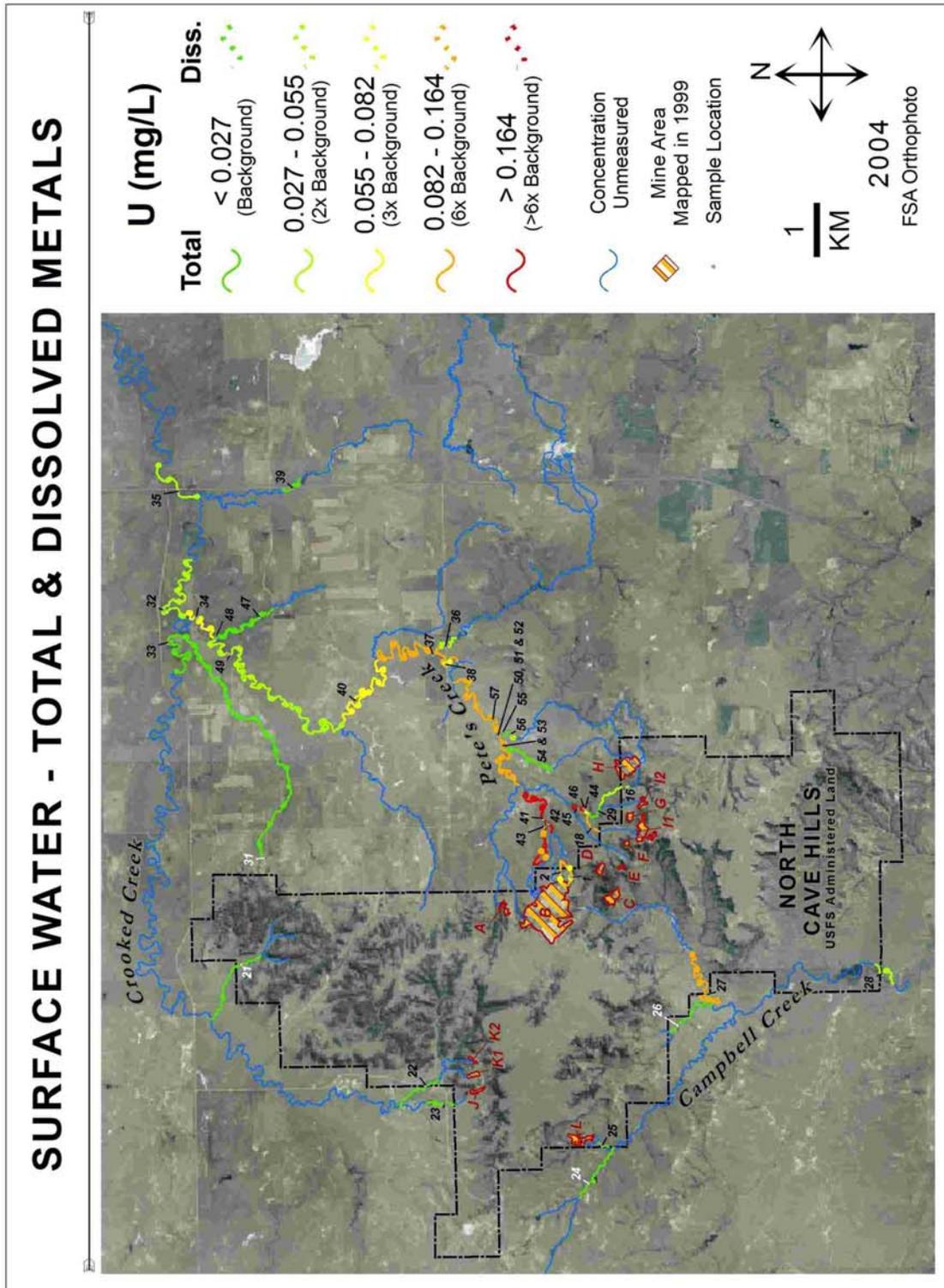


Figure 6.10: North Cave Hills surface water results for total and dissolved uranium.

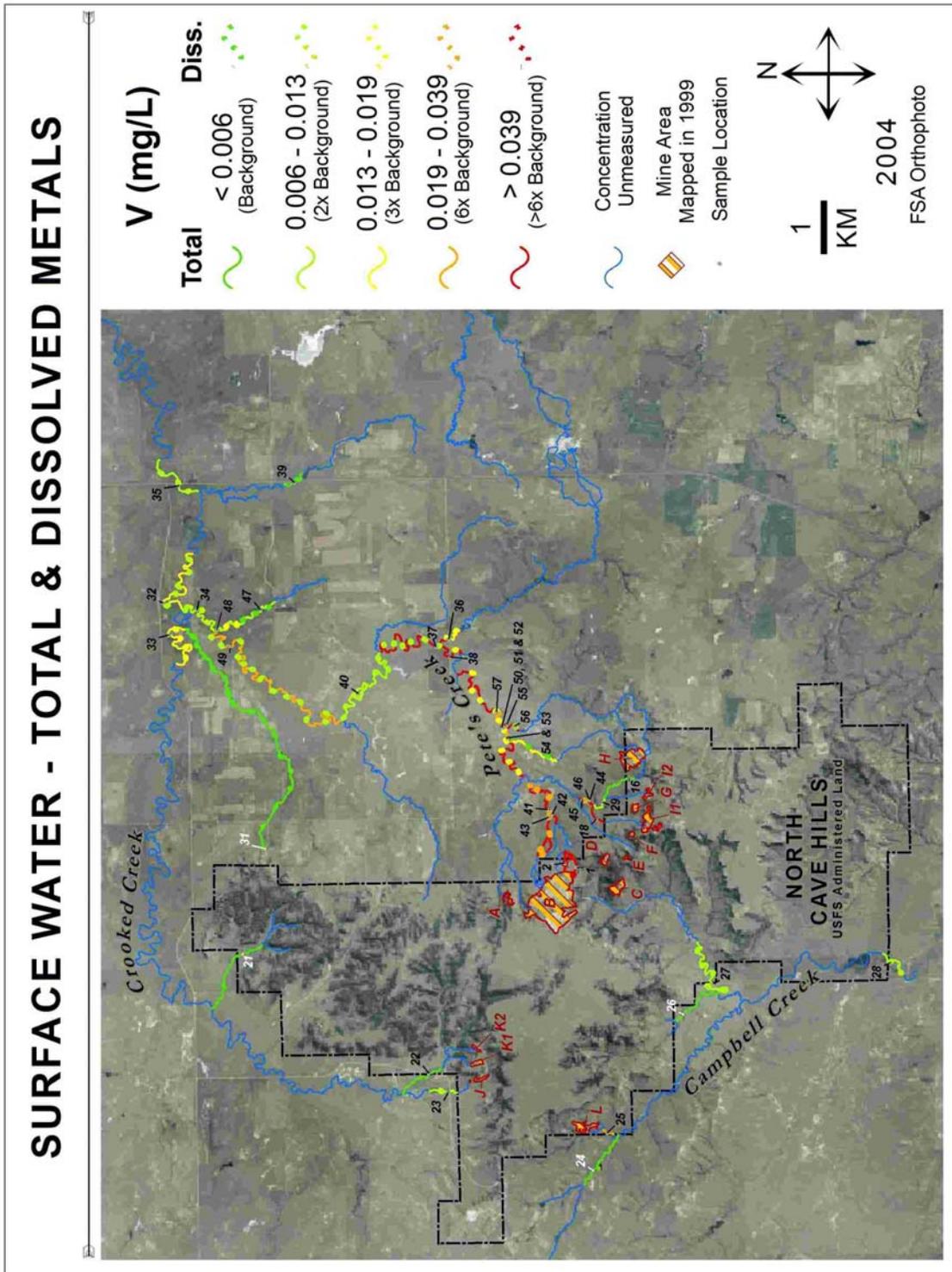


Figure 6.11: North Cave Hills surface water results for total and dissolved vanadium.

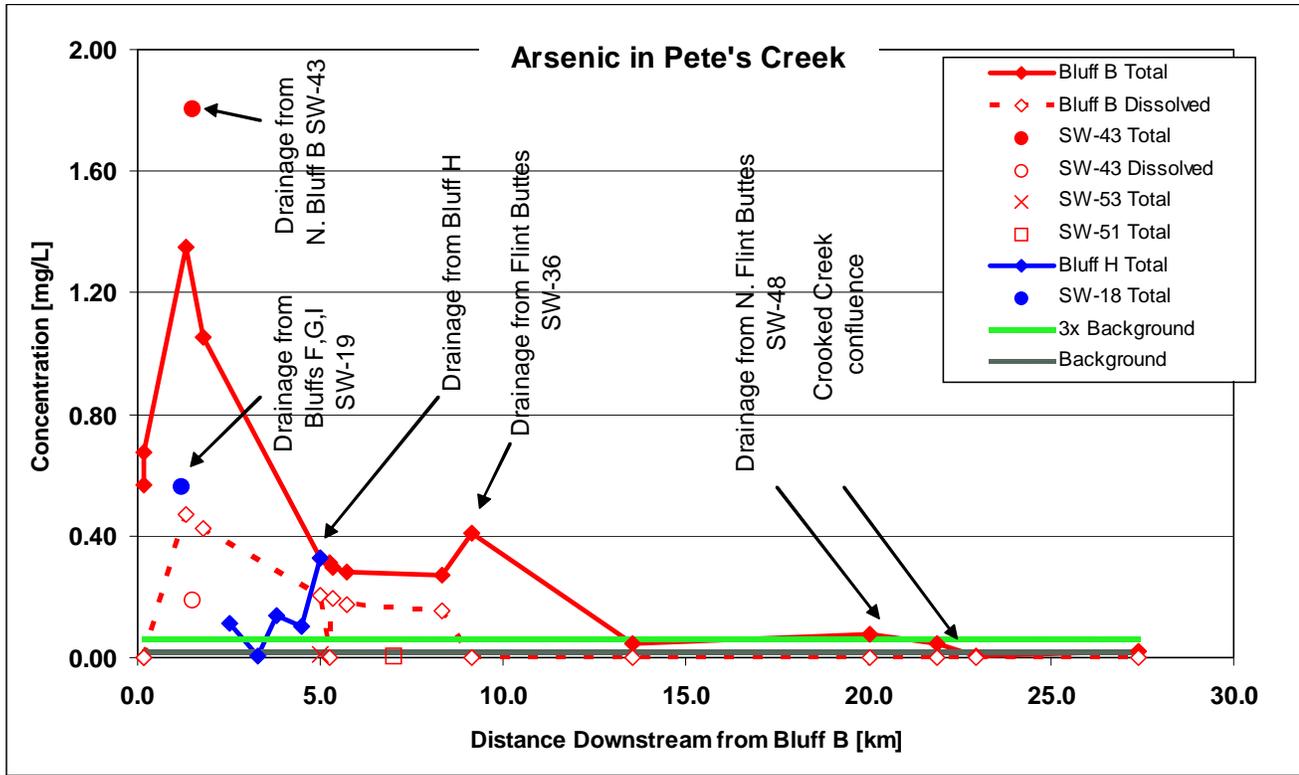


Figure 6.12: Arsenic concentrations as a function of stream distance from Bluff B.

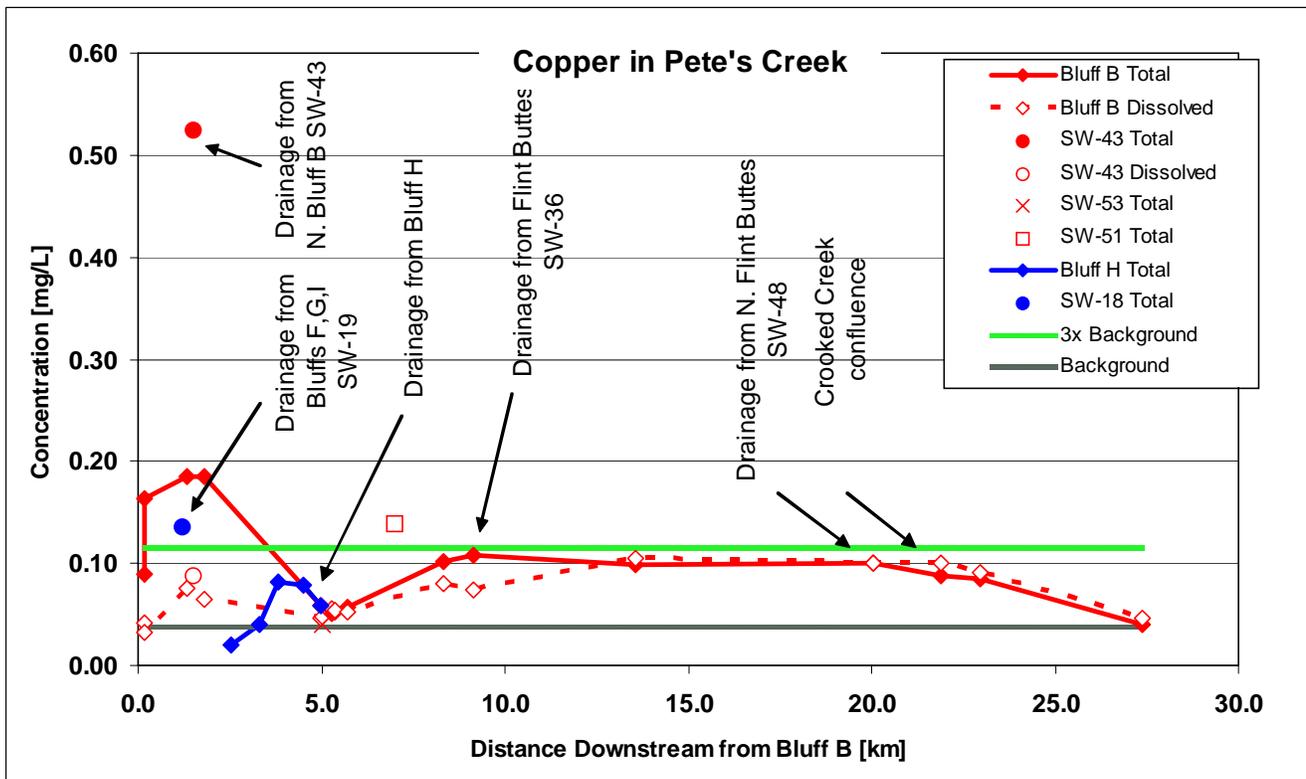


Figure 6.13: Copper concentrations as a function of stream distance from Bluff B.

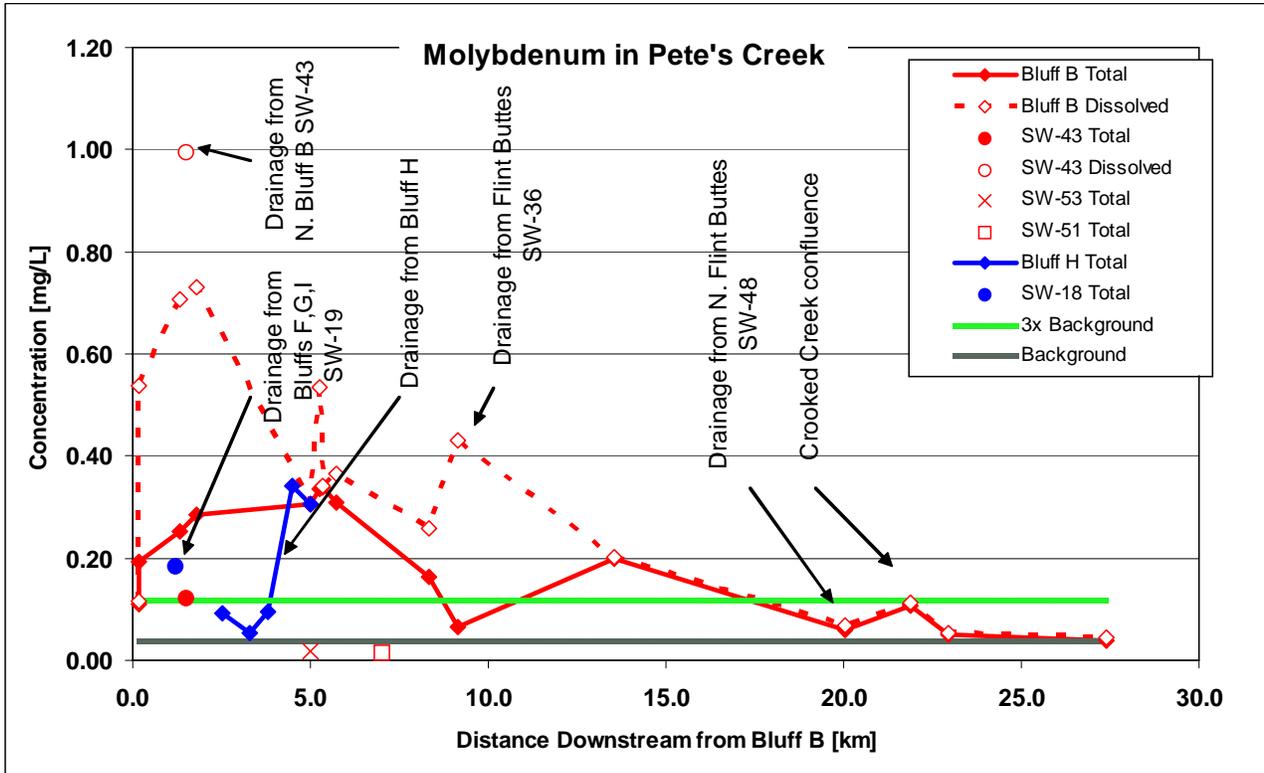


Figure 6.14: Molybdenum concentrations as a function of stream distance from Bluff B.

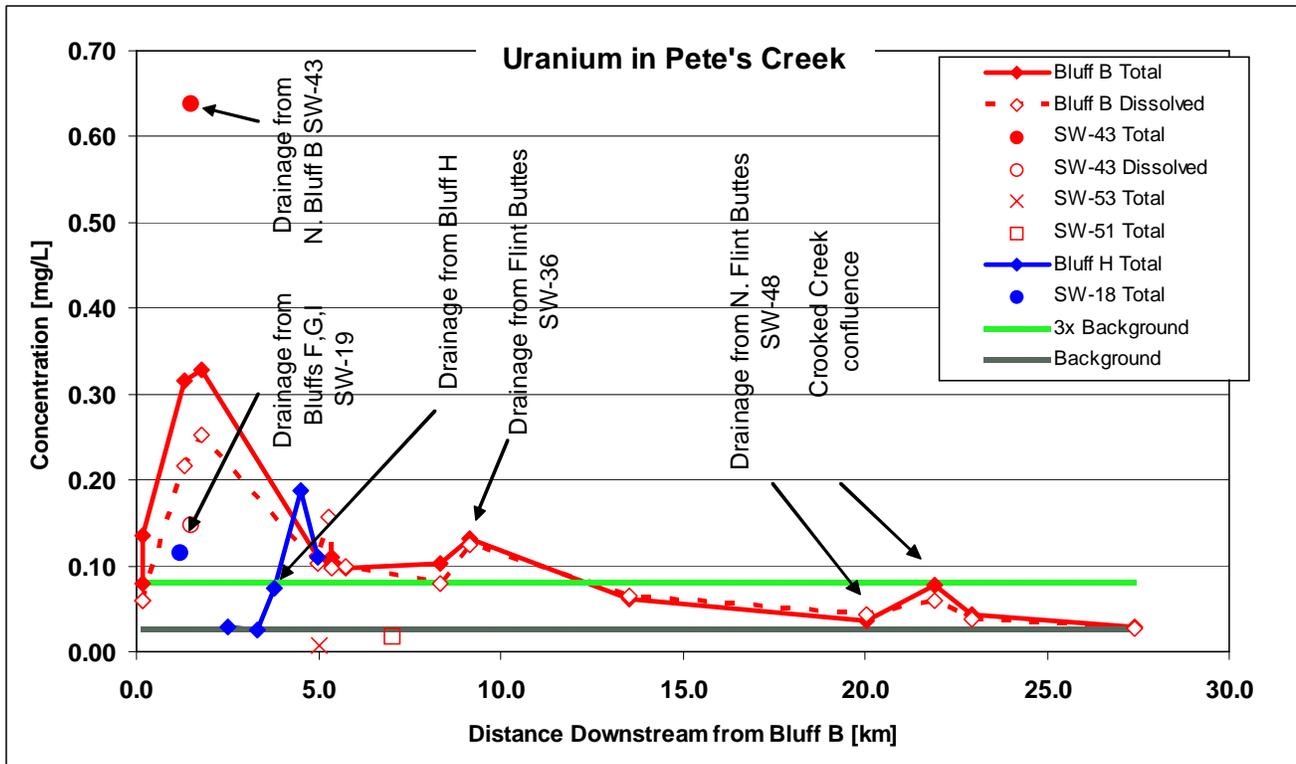


Figure 6.15: Uranium concentrations as a function of stream distance from Bluff B.

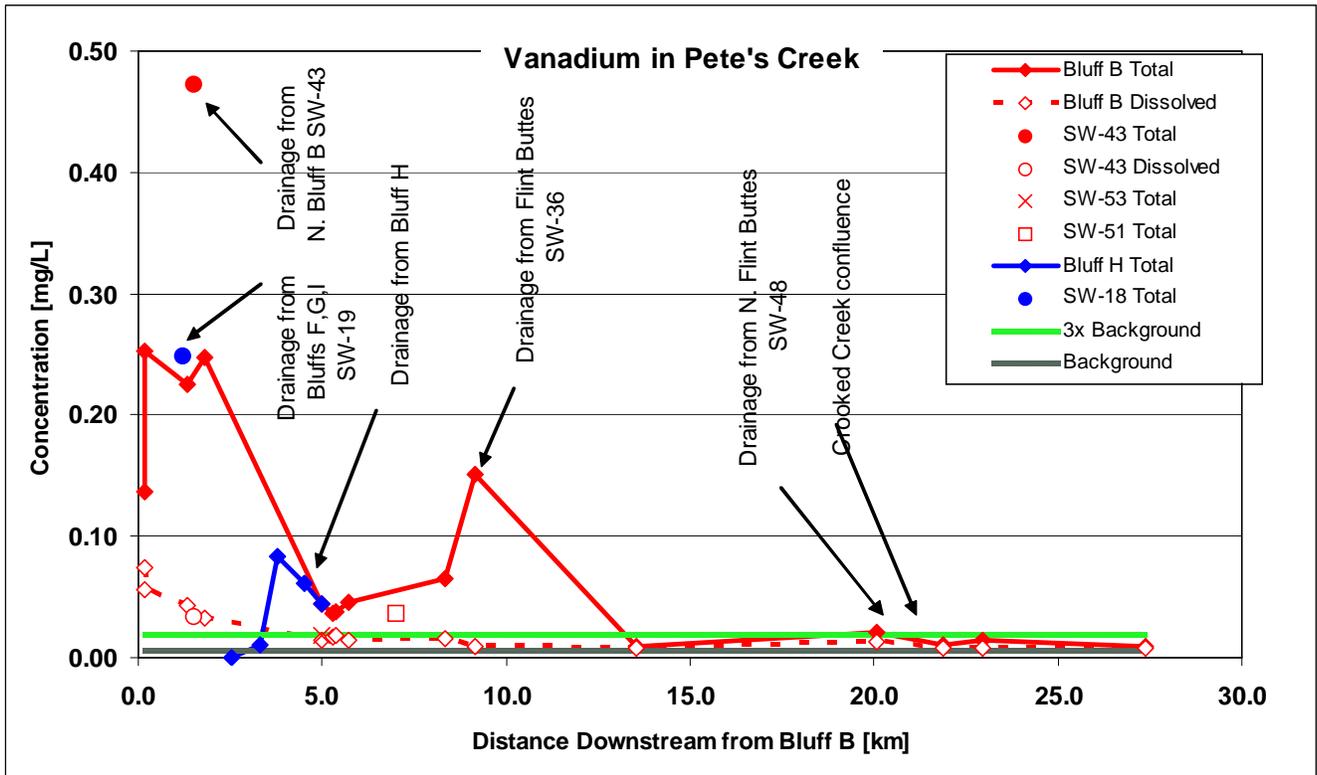


Figure 6.16: Vanadium concentrations as a function of stream distance from Bluff B.

***FINAL REPORT: North Cave Hills Abandoned Uranium Mines Impact Investigation  
South Dakota School of Mines and Technology***



Figure 6.17: Bluff H spoils located up-gradient of site NCH SW 16



Figure 6.18: NCH SW 29 sampling location immediately downstream of a lignite spring discharge.

*FINAL REPORT: North Cave Hills Abandoned Uranium Mines Impact Investigation  
South Dakota School of Mines and Technology*



Figure 6.19: Area of significant sedimentation within the lower reaches of an unnamed tributary of Pete's Creek near NCH SW 43 sampling location.



Figure 6.20: Close-up showing extent of sedimentation within the unnamed tributary of Pete's Creek near NCH SW 43.



Figure 6.21: Sampling site NCH SW 57 located below a lignite outcropping within upper Pete’s Creek.



Figure 6.22: Slaba “Flat Top” abandoned uranium minesite located northeast of Ludlow on private property.



Figure 6.23: NCH SW 35 sampling site within Crooked Creek, west of the South Dakota State Route 85 overpass.

*FINAL REPORT: North Cave Hills Abandoned Uranium Mines Impact Investigation  
South Dakota School of Mines and Technology*

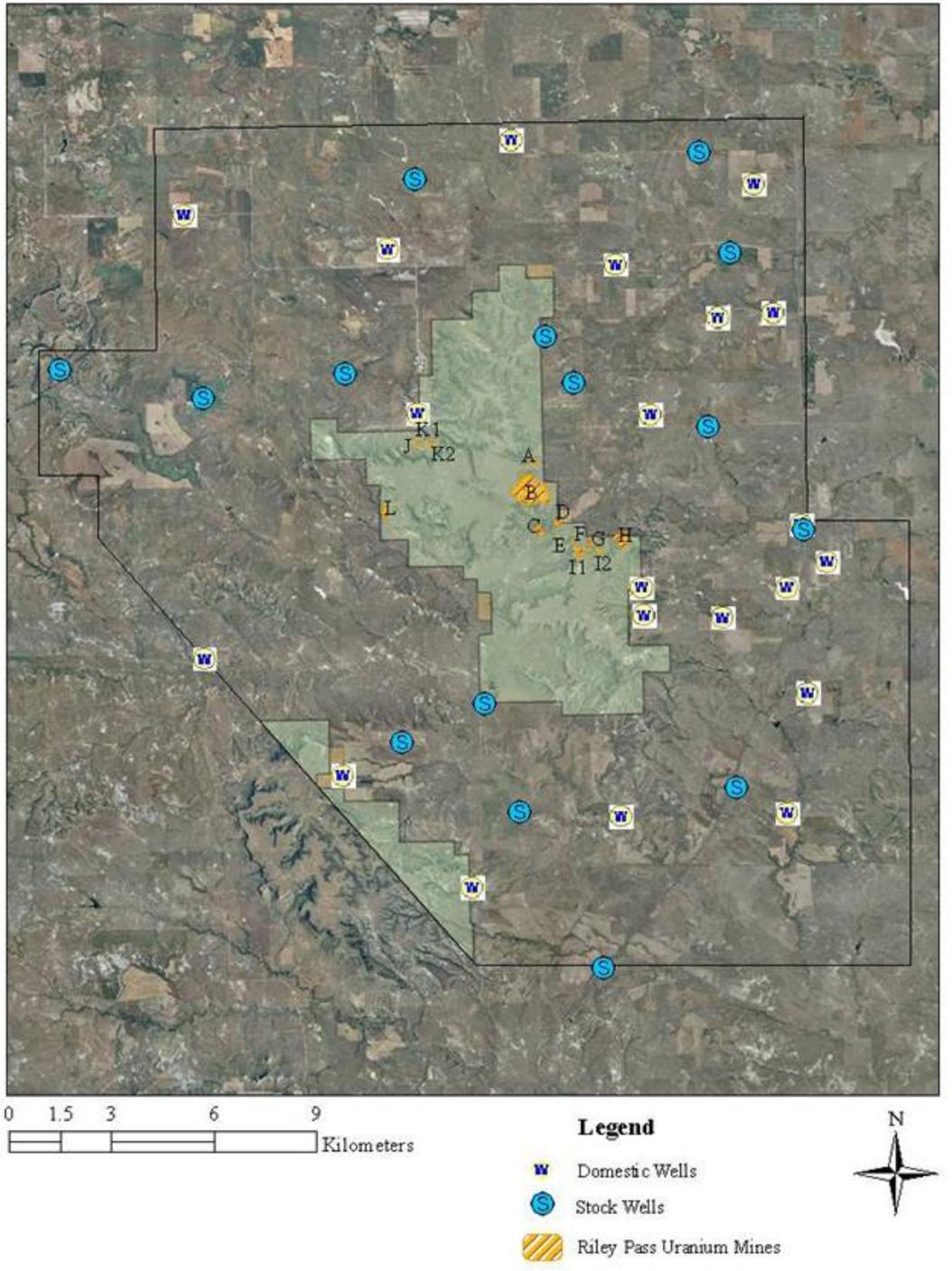


Figure 7.1: Final groundwater sampling locations. Domestic and stock wells are designated by symbol.

*FINAL REPORT: North Cave Hills Abandoned Uranium Mines Impact Investigation  
South Dakota School of Mines and Technology*

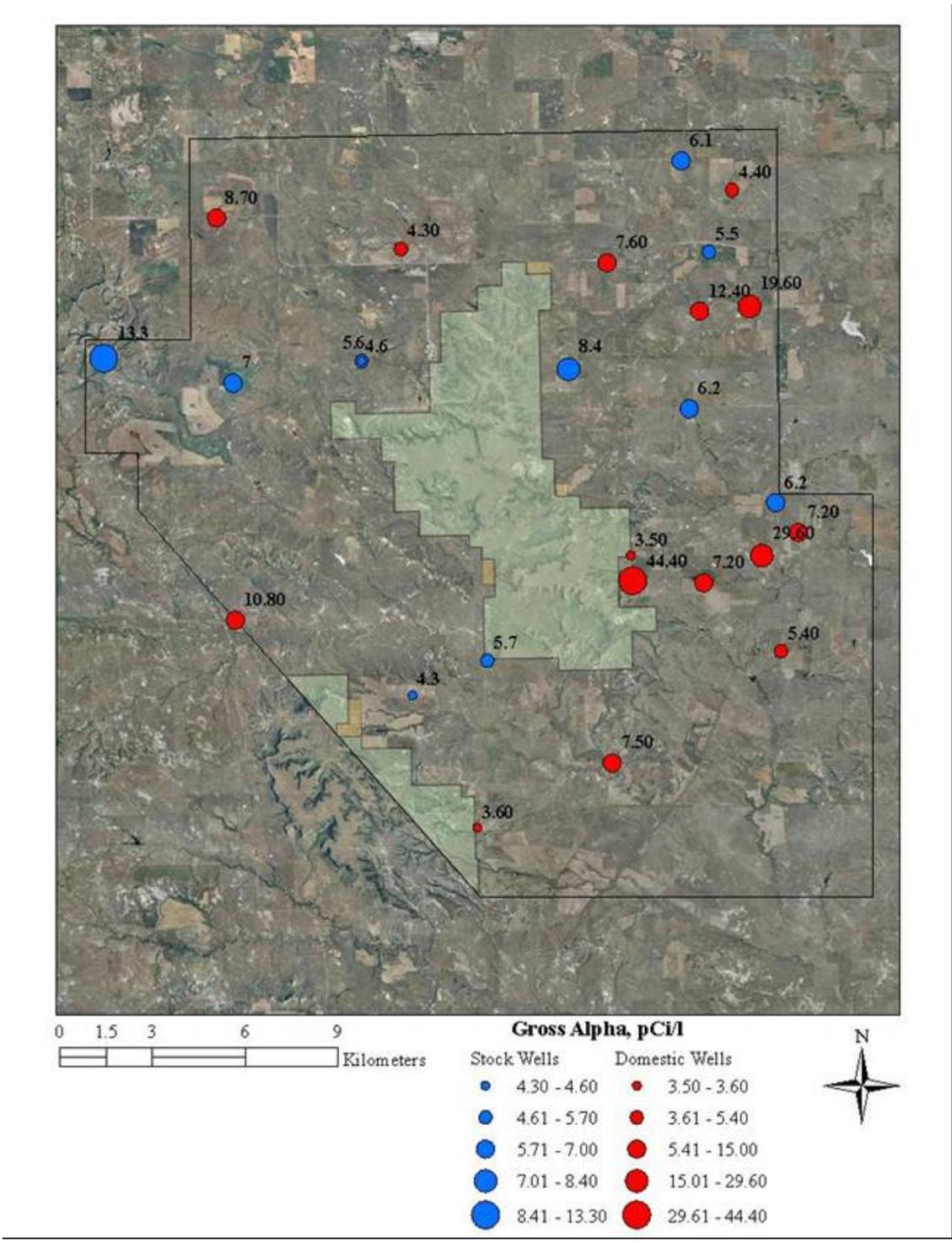


Figure 7.2: Distribution of gross alpha contamination and occurrence in the groundwater system. Three wells exceeded the MCL of 15 pCi/L.

*FINAL REPORT: North Cave Hills Abandoned Uranium Mines Impact Investigation  
South Dakota School of Mines and Technology*

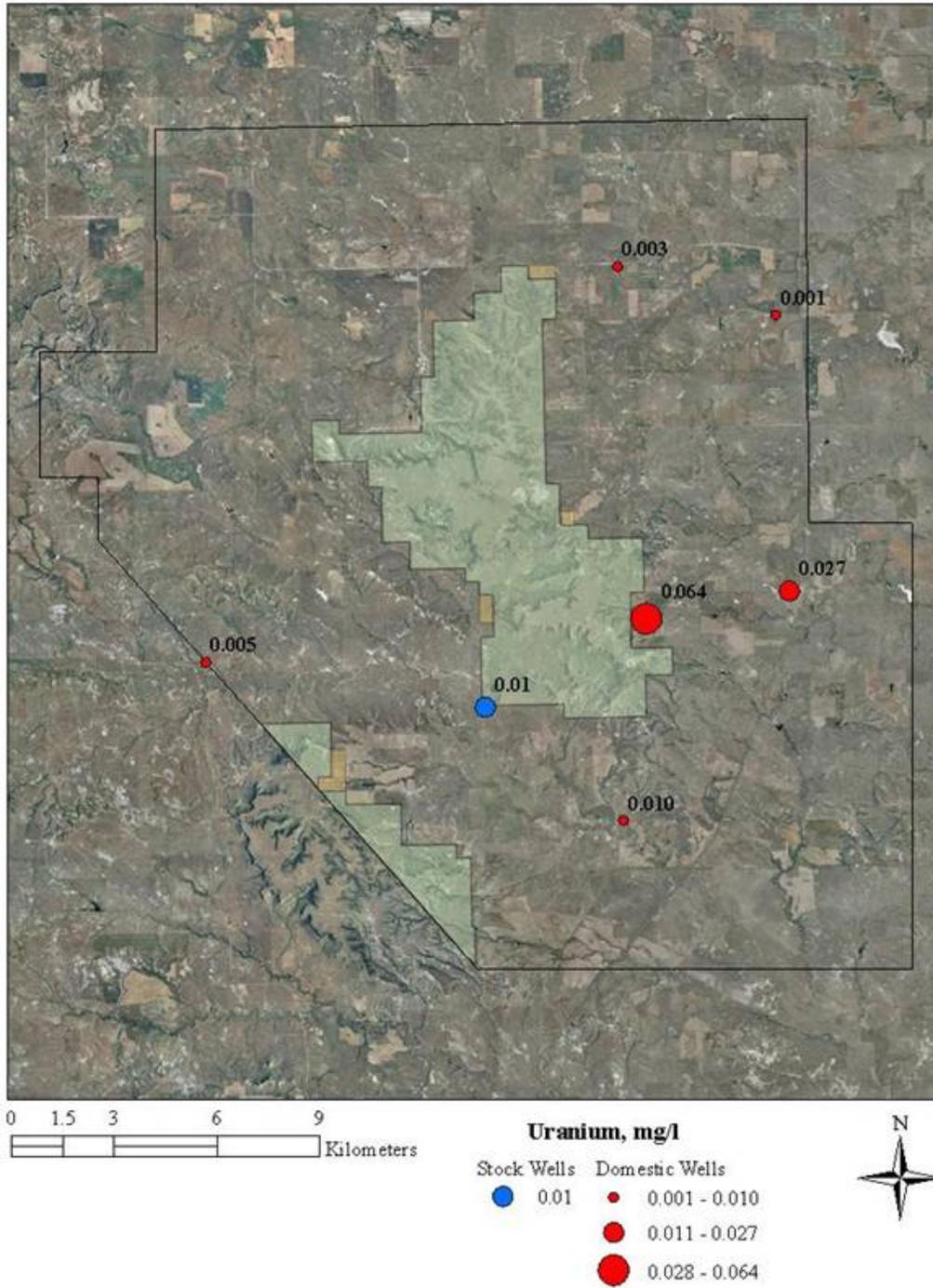


Figure 7.3: Uranium distribution and occurrence in the groundwater system. One well exceeded the MCL of 0.03 mg/L.

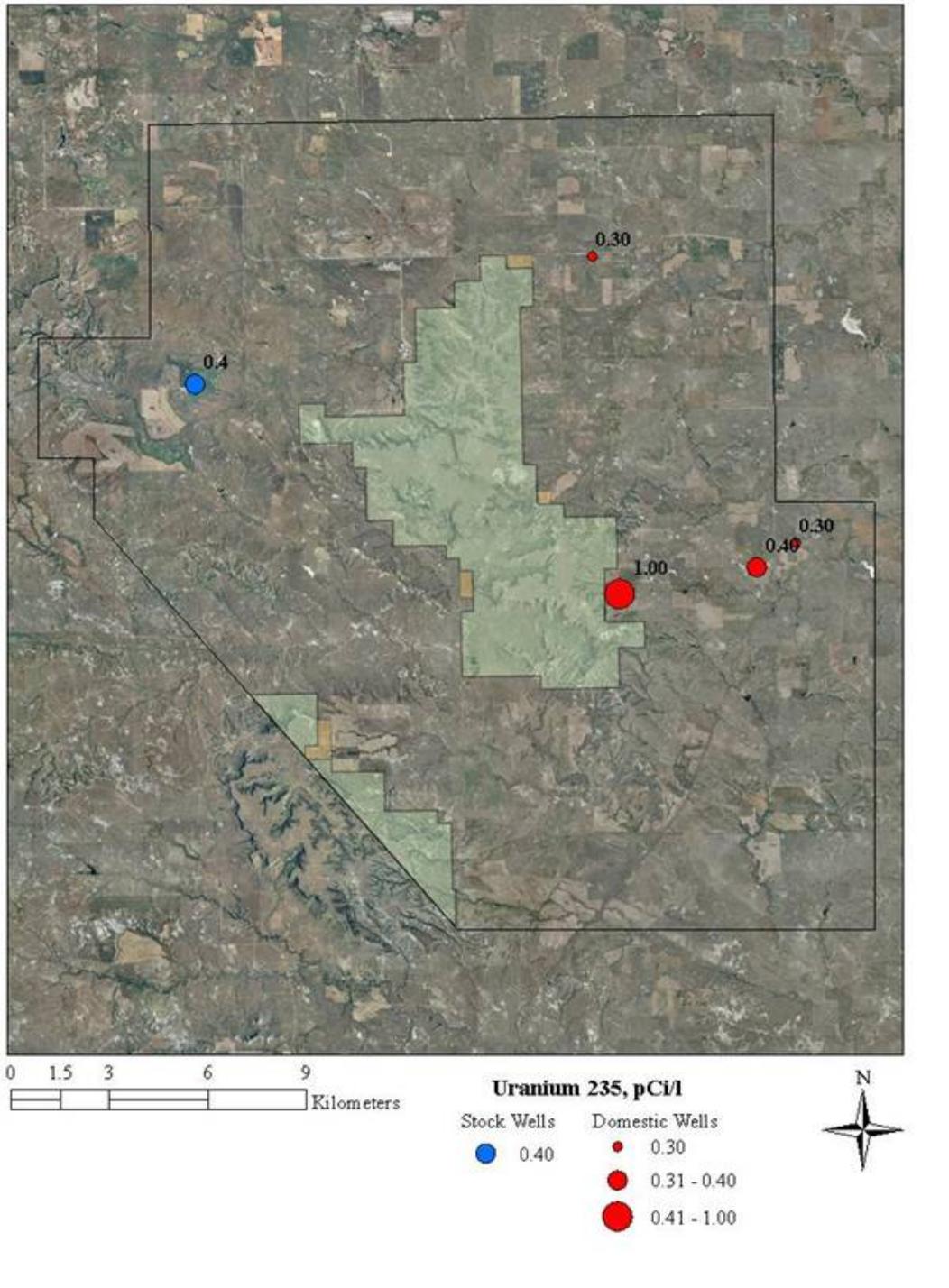


Figure 7.4: Uranium 235 distribution and occurrence in the groundwater system. There is not an established MCL for uranium 235.

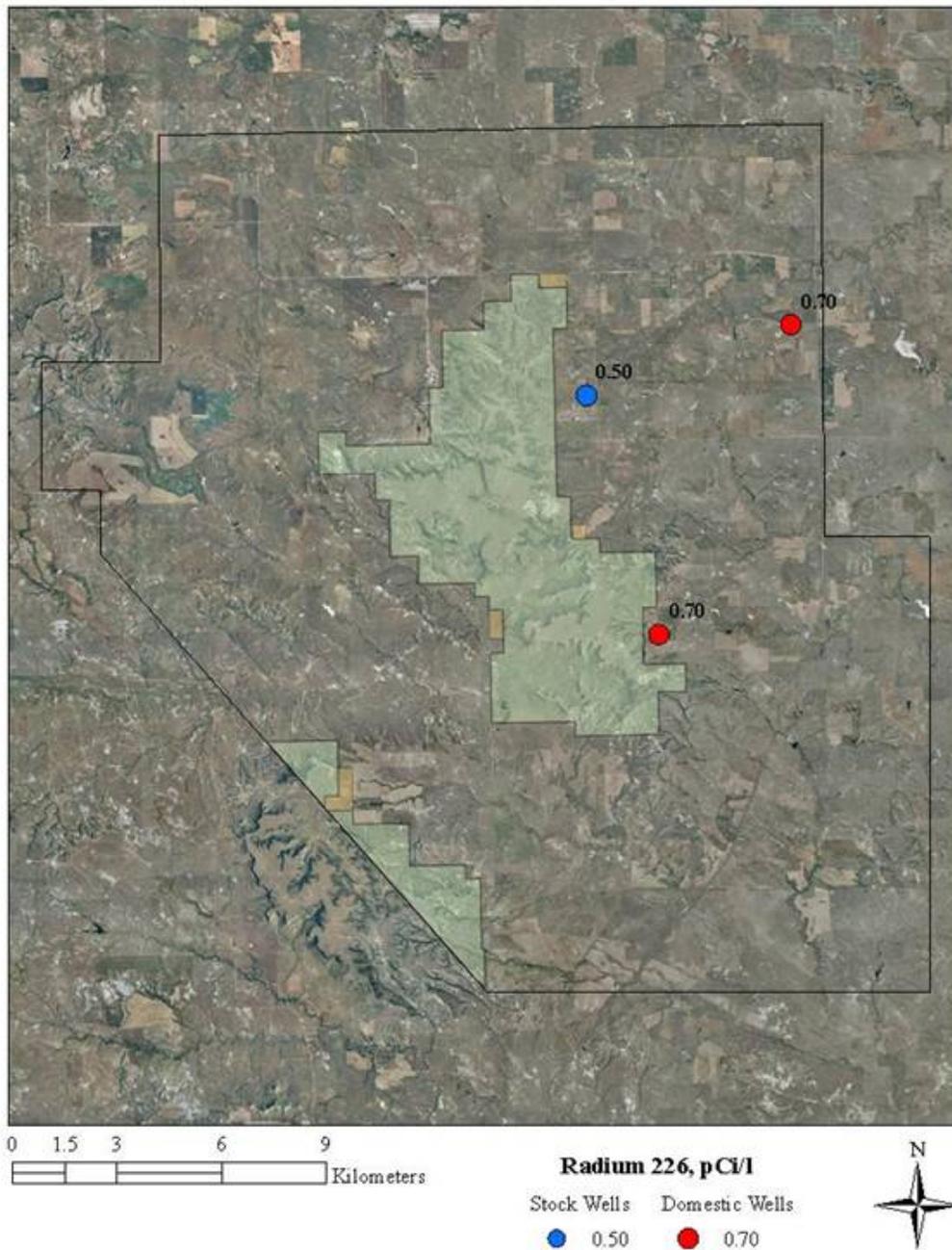


Figure 7.5: Radium 226 distribution and occurrence in the groundwater system. There is not an established MCL for radium 226.

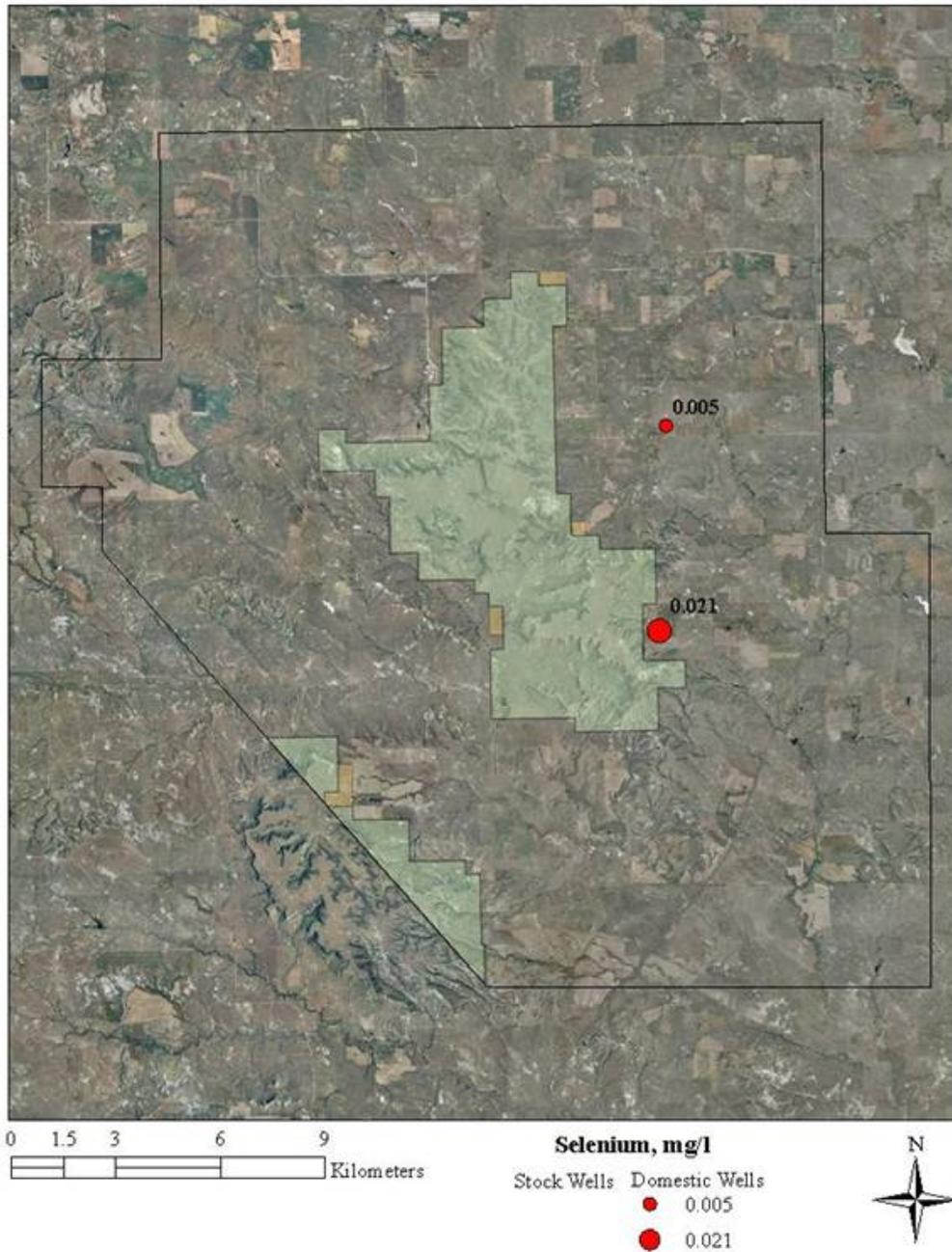


Figure 7.6: Selenium distribution and occurrence in the groundwater system. No well exceeded the MCL of 0.5 mg/L.

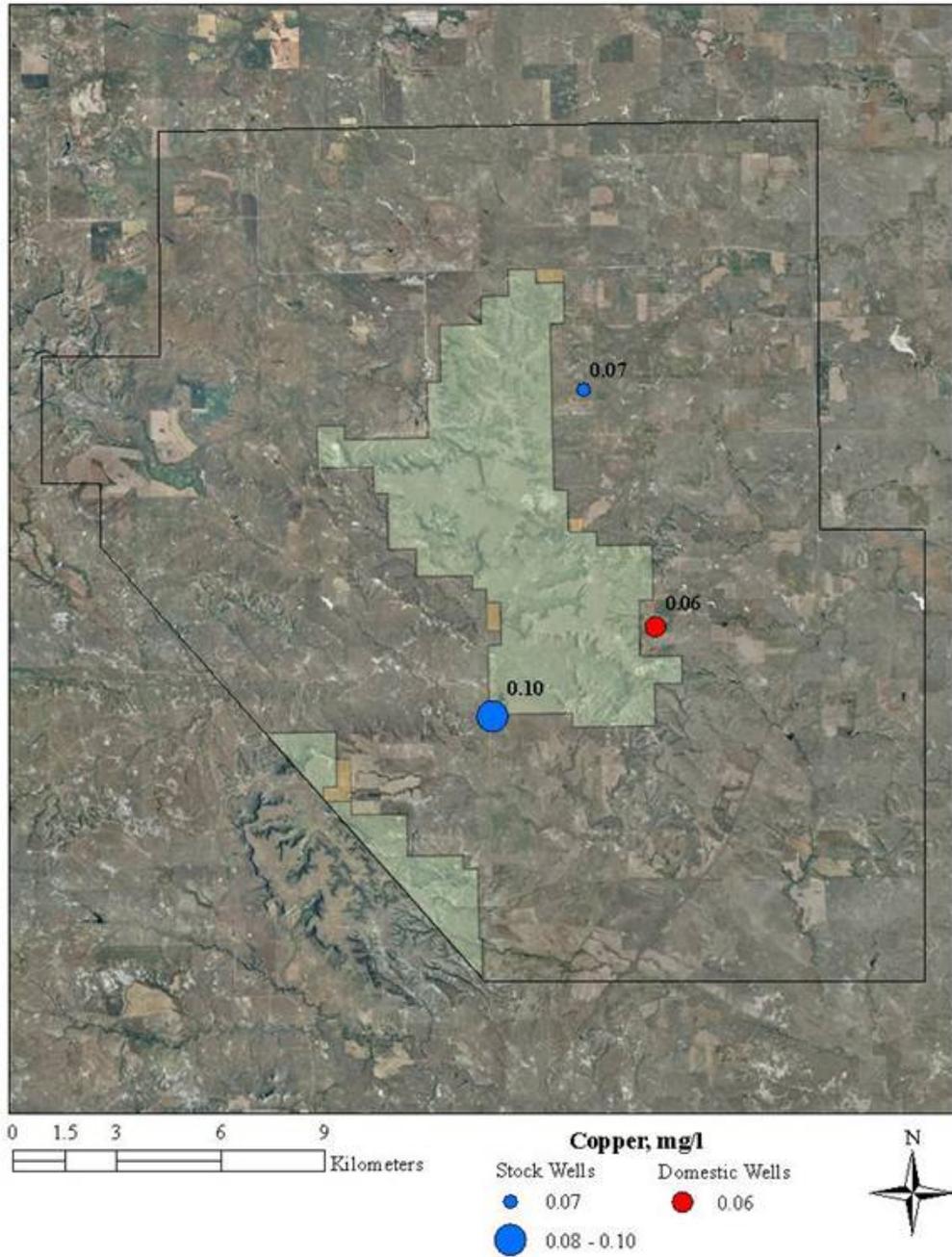


Figure 7.7: Copper distribution and occurrence in the groundwater system. No well exceeded the MCL of 1.3 mg/L. Copper was not detected in any domestic wells.

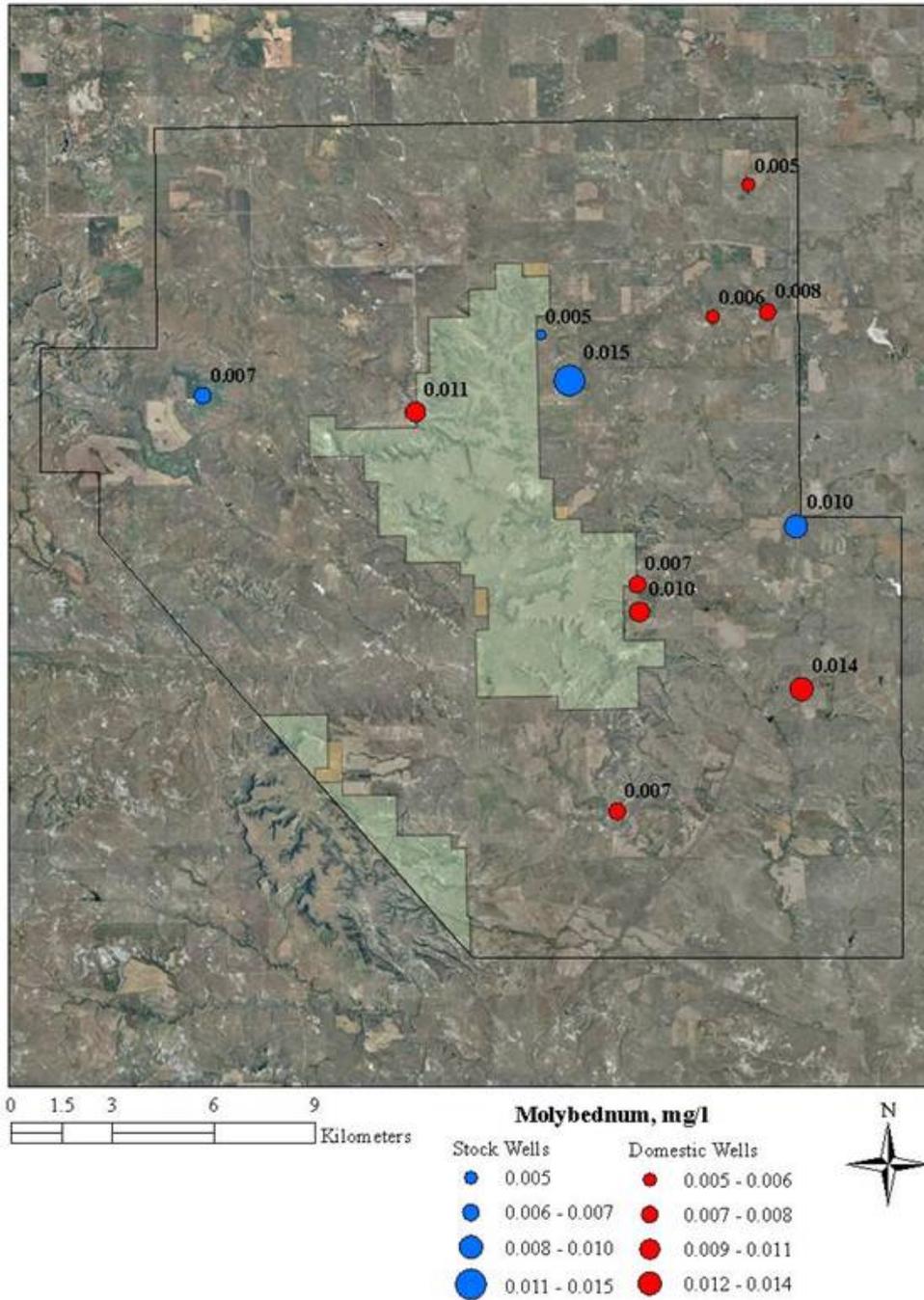


Figure 7.8: Molybdenum distribution and occurrence in the groundwater system. There is no MCL for molybdenum.

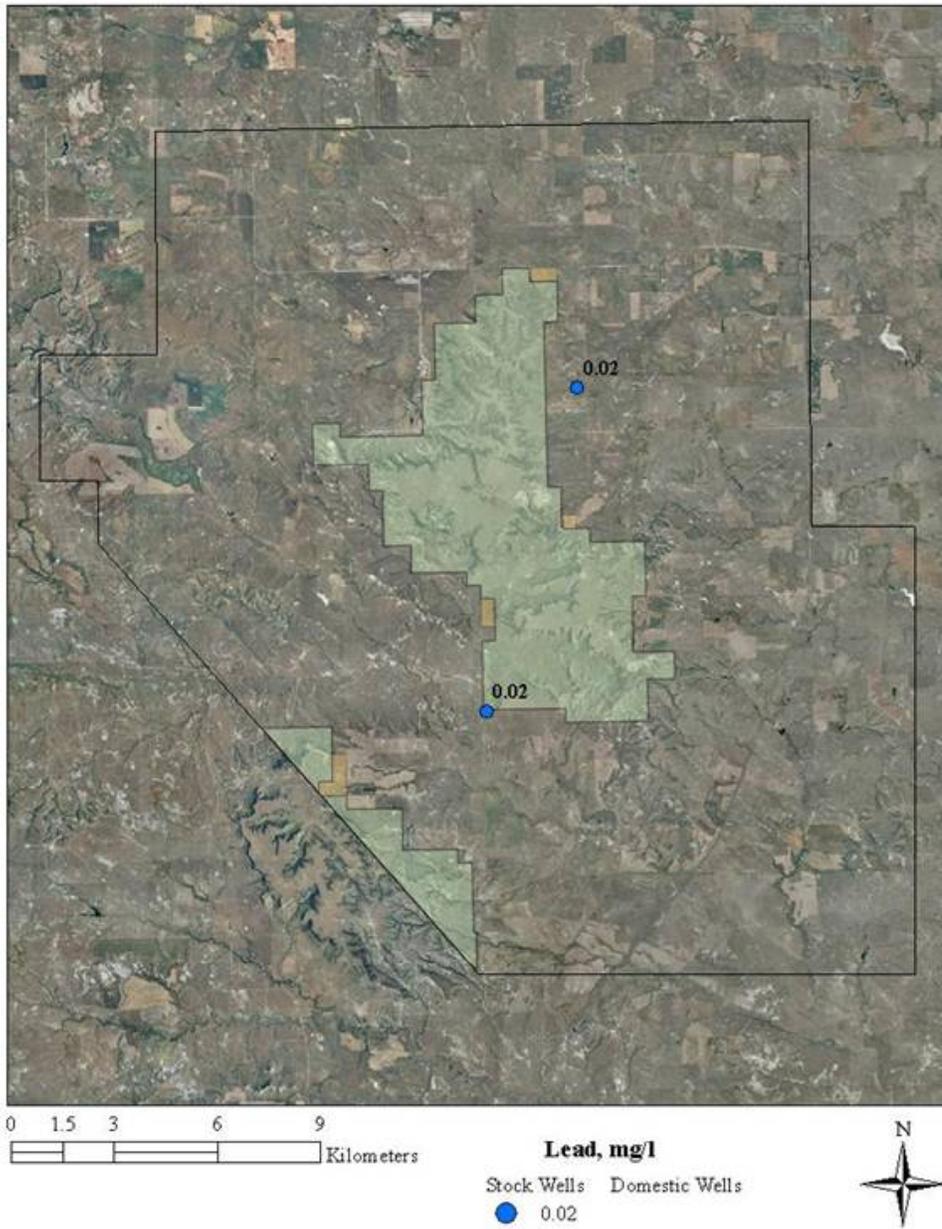


Figure 7.9: Lead distribution and occurrence in the groundwater system. There was no detection of lead in domestic wells. Both lead occurrences were above the MCL of 0.015 mg/L.

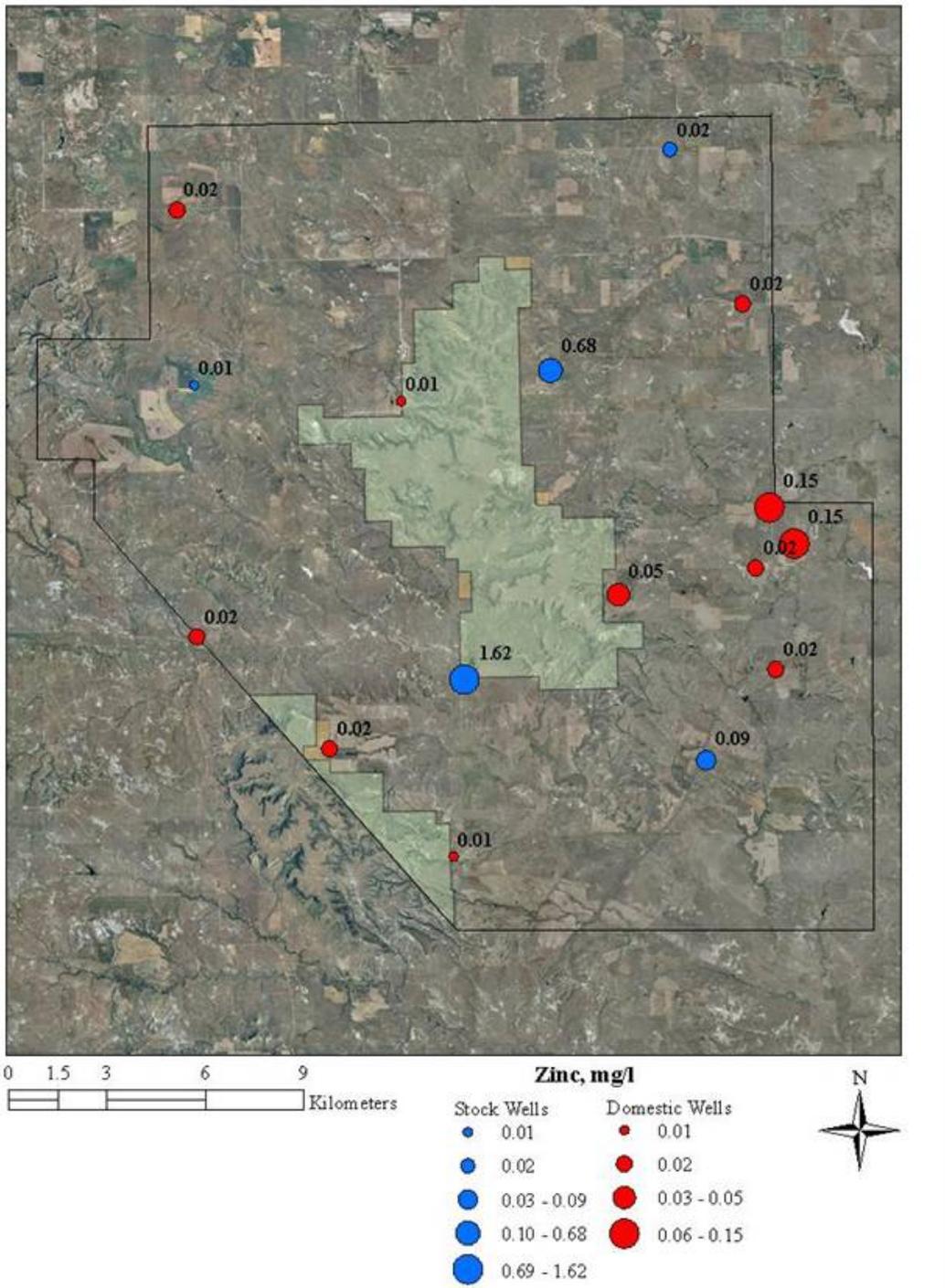


Figure 7.10: Zinc distribution and occurrence in the groundwater system. There is no MCL for zinc.

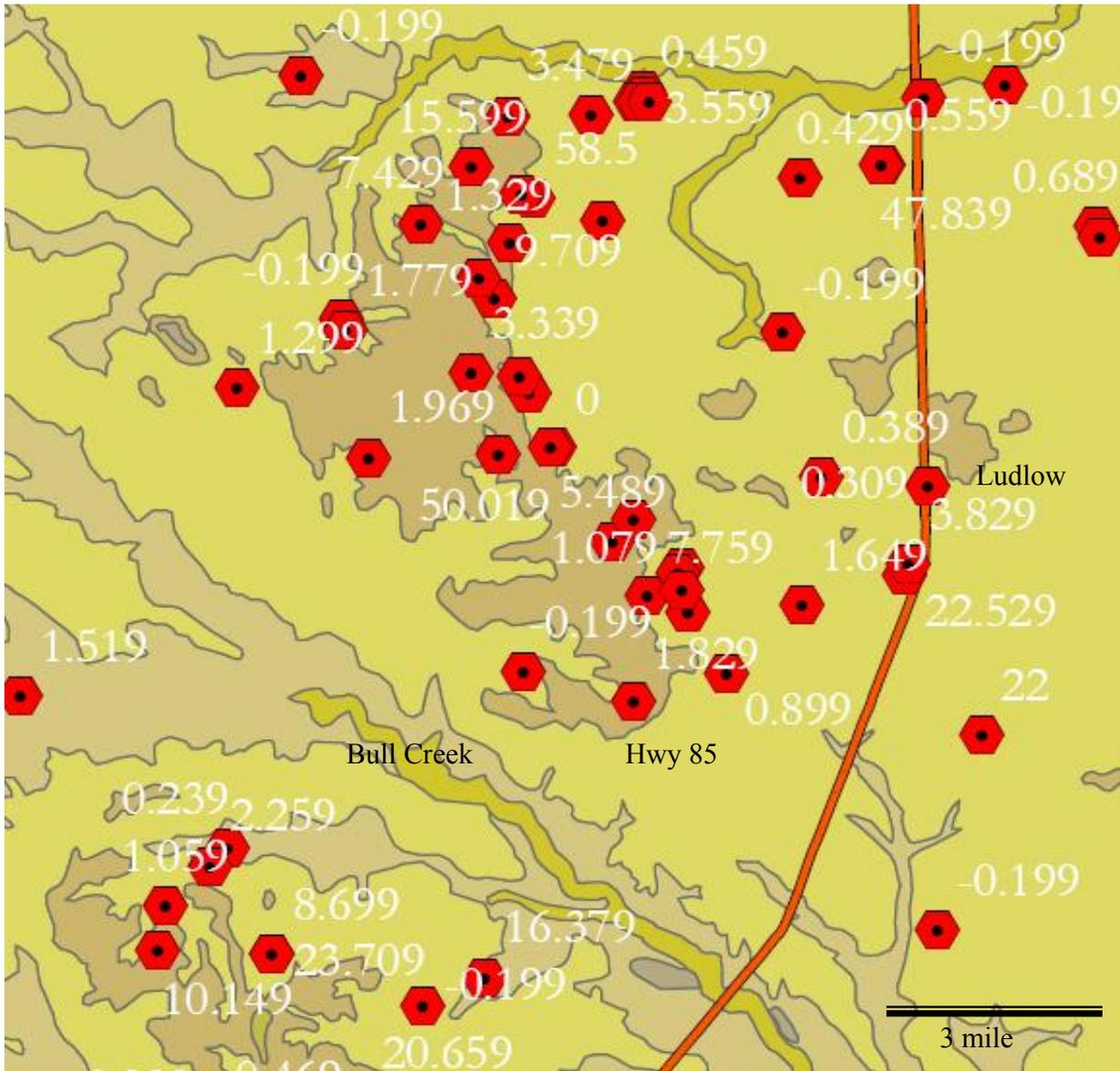


Figure 7.11: NURE study results of uranium in ppb. High values are shown in the same areas as the highest gross alpha and uranium values detected in this study and occur between Ludlow and the Forest Service boundary to the west and to the north of Ludlow.



*FINAL REPORT: North Cave Hills Abandoned Uranium Mines Impact Investigation  
South Dakota School of Mines and Technology*

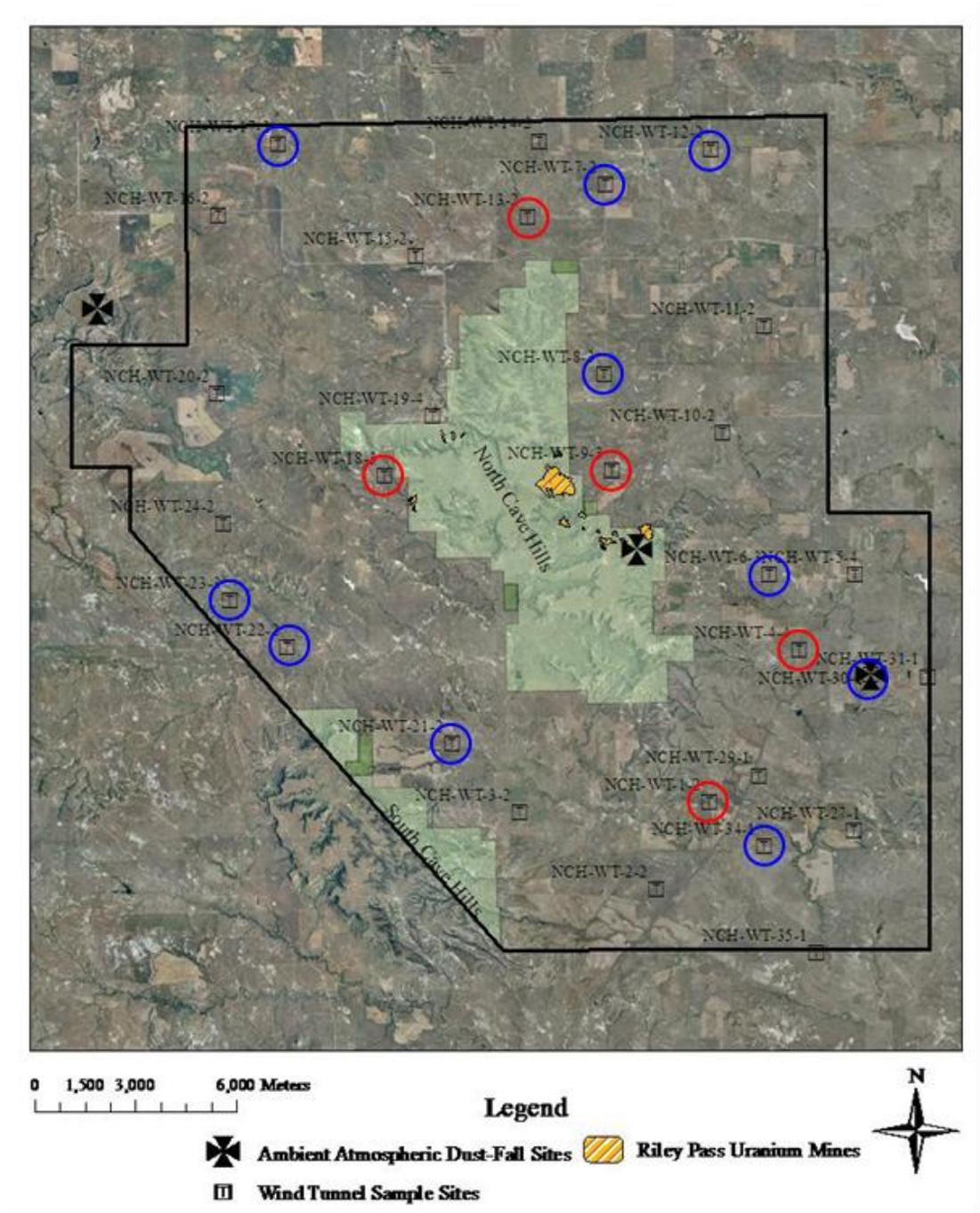


Figure 8.1: Sampling sites for phase I and II of the surface dusts and ambient atmospheric dust-fall sites. Ambient sites are numbered 1 to 3 from an upwind to downwind direction. Red circles are the coarsest soils and blue circles are the finest soils as defined in the text.

*FINAL REPORT: North Cave Hills Abandoned Uranium Mines Impact Investigation  
South Dakota School of Mines and Technology*

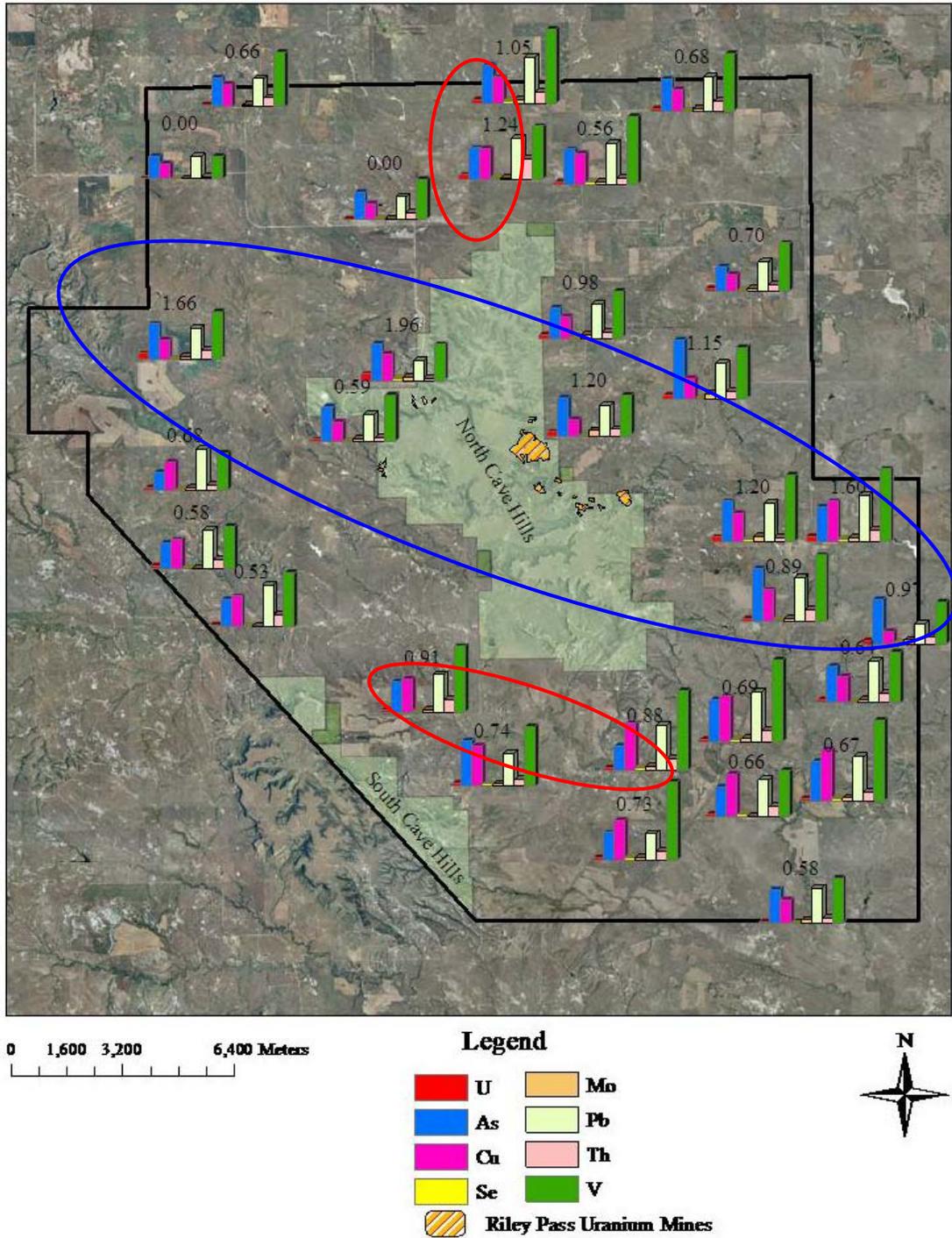


Figure 8.2: Site-composite analytical results for surface dust samples. Color bars represent metal species, height represents concentration. Value above chart specifies uranium concentration in mg/kg. Blue circle encloses the major uranium concentration plume and the red circles define the other areas of above-background uranium concentrations.

*FINAL REPORT: North Cave Hills Abandoned Uranium Mines Impact Investigation  
South Dakota School of Mines and Technology*

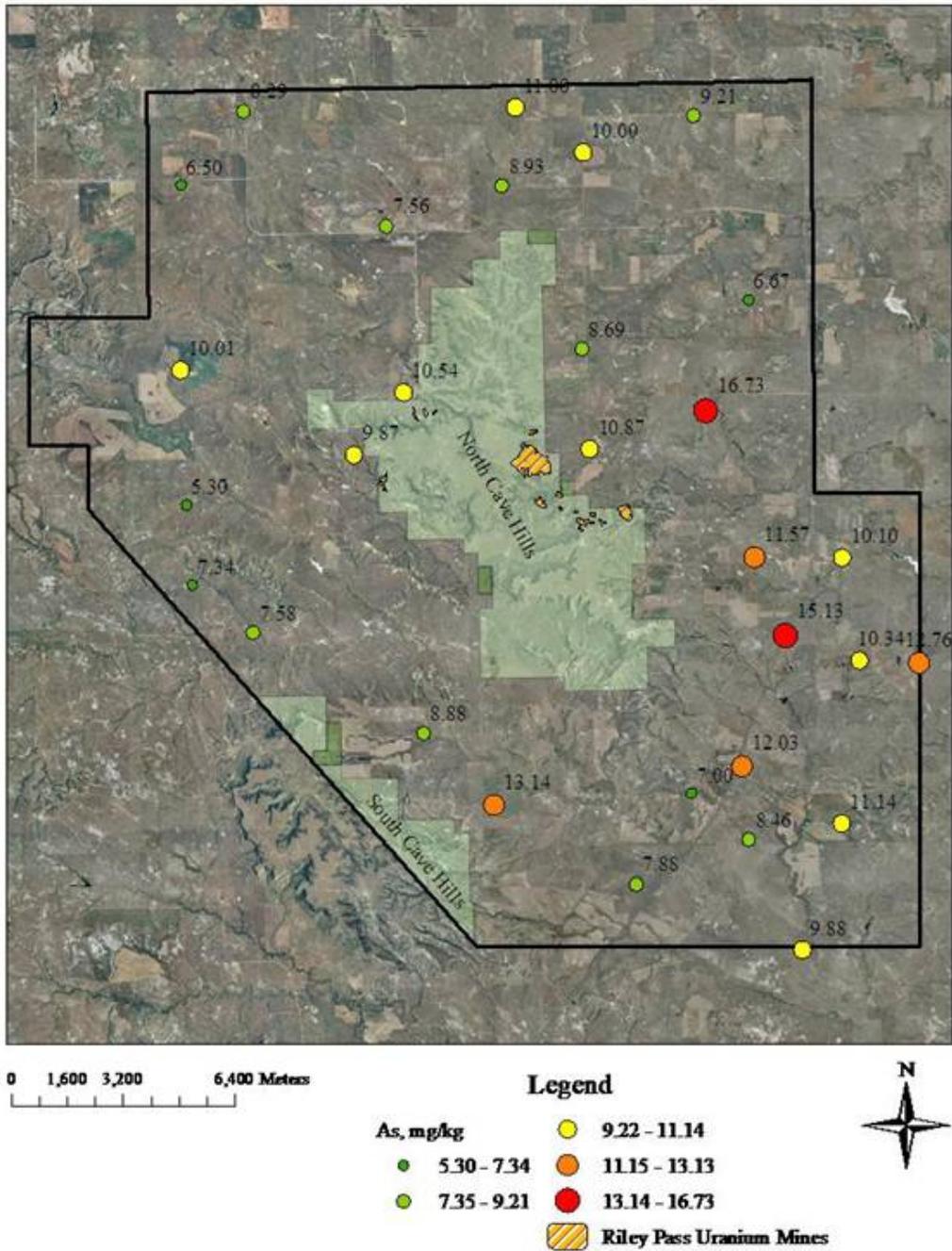


Figure 8.3: Arsenic distribution from soil dust analysis.

*FINAL REPORT: North Cave Hills Abandoned Uranium Mines Impact Investigation  
South Dakota School of Mines and Technology*

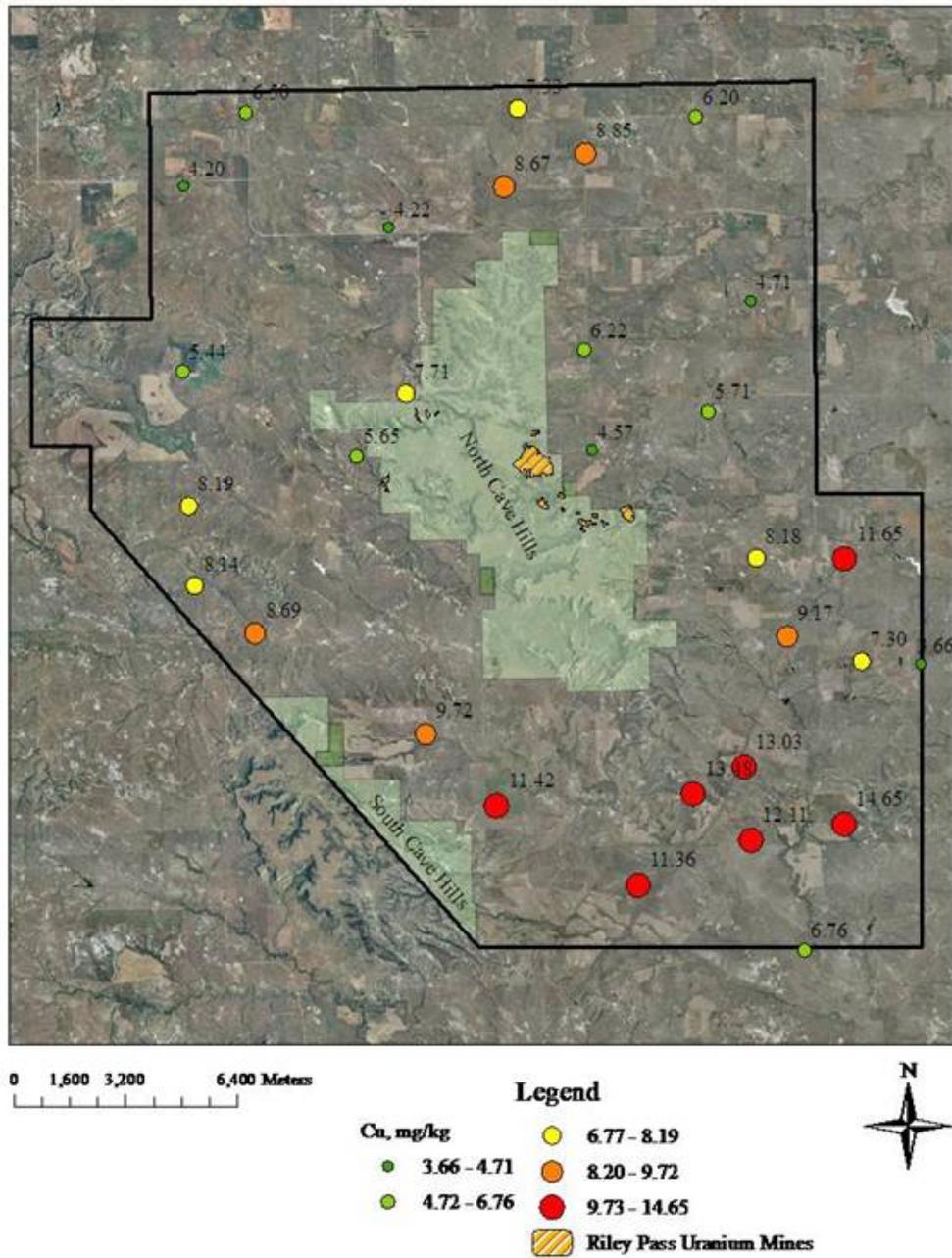


Figure 8.4: Copper distribution from soil dust analysis.

*FINAL REPORT: North Cave Hills Abandoned Uranium Mines Impact Investigation  
South Dakota School of Mines and Technology*

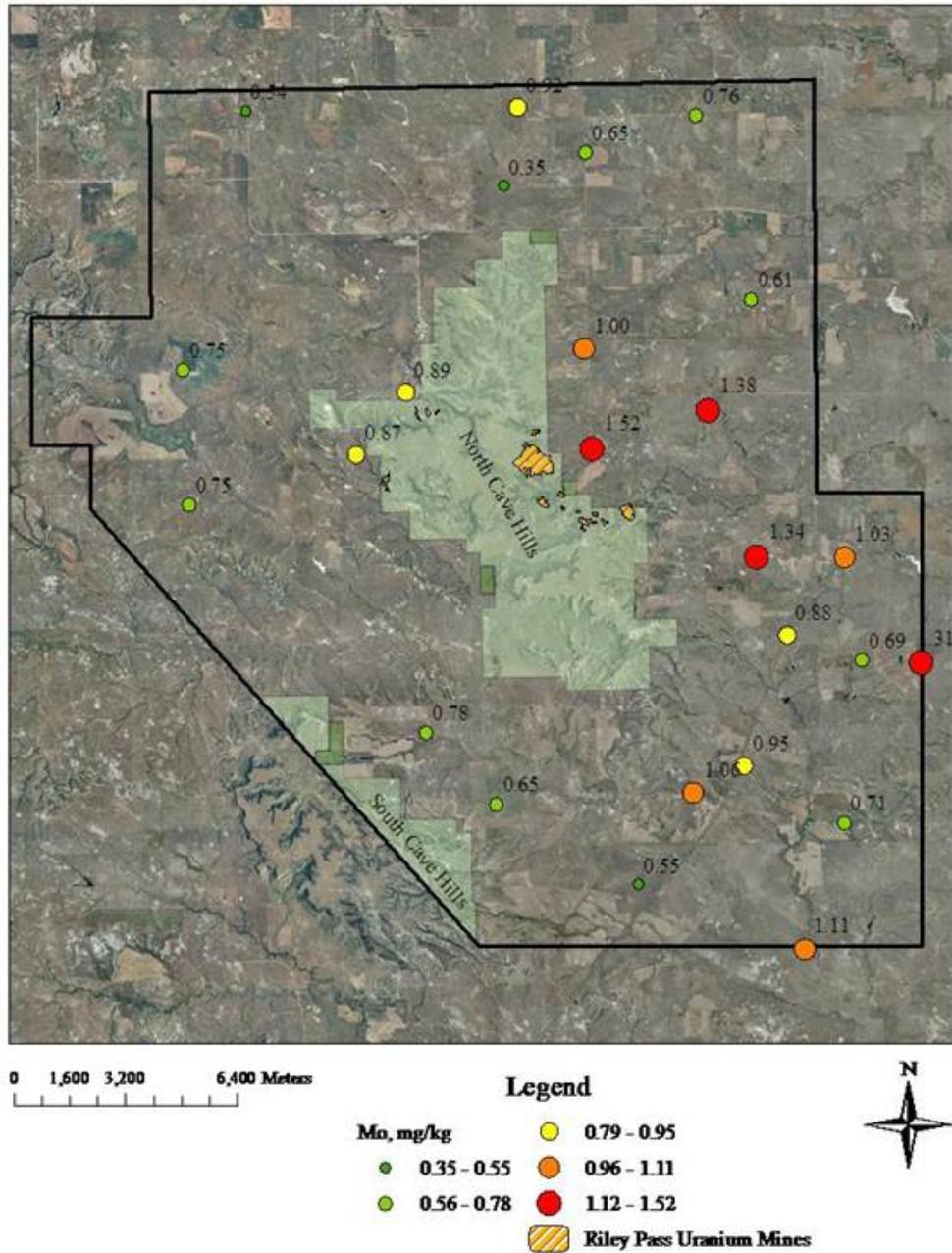


Figure 8.5: Molybdenum distribution from soil dust analysis.

*FINAL REPORT: North Cave Hills Abandoned Uranium Mines Impact Investigation  
South Dakota School of Mines and Technology*

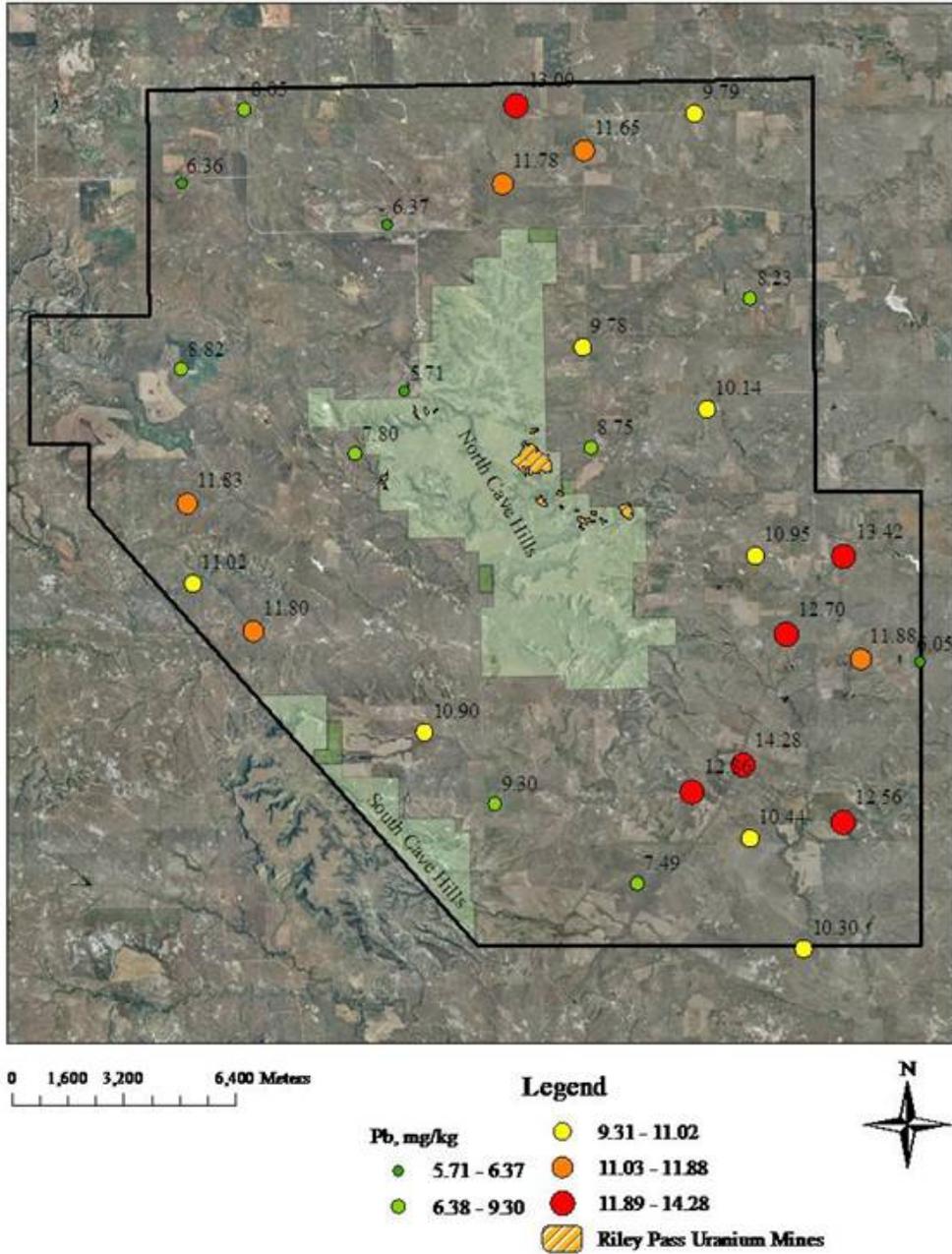


Figure 8.6: Lead distribution from soil dust analysis.

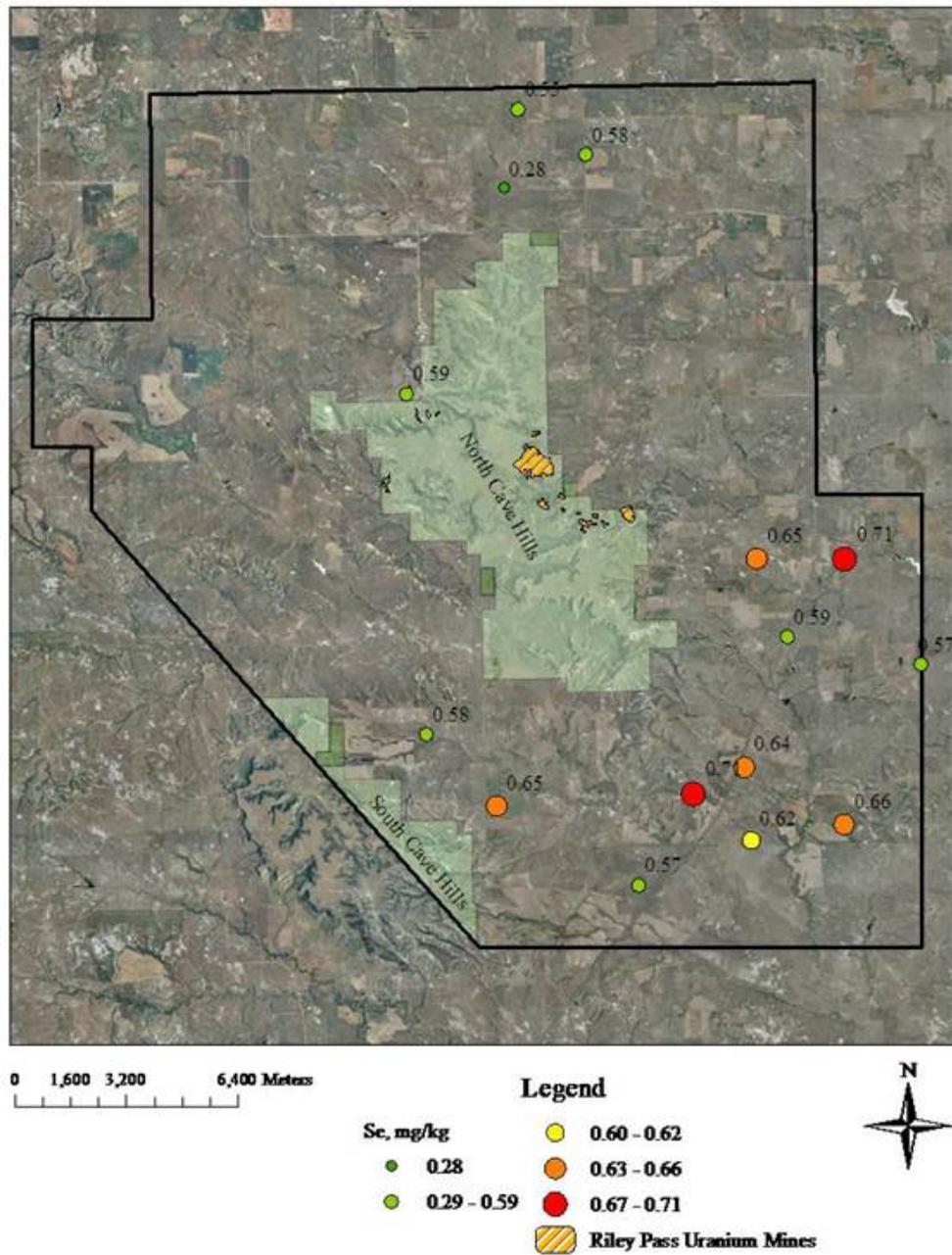
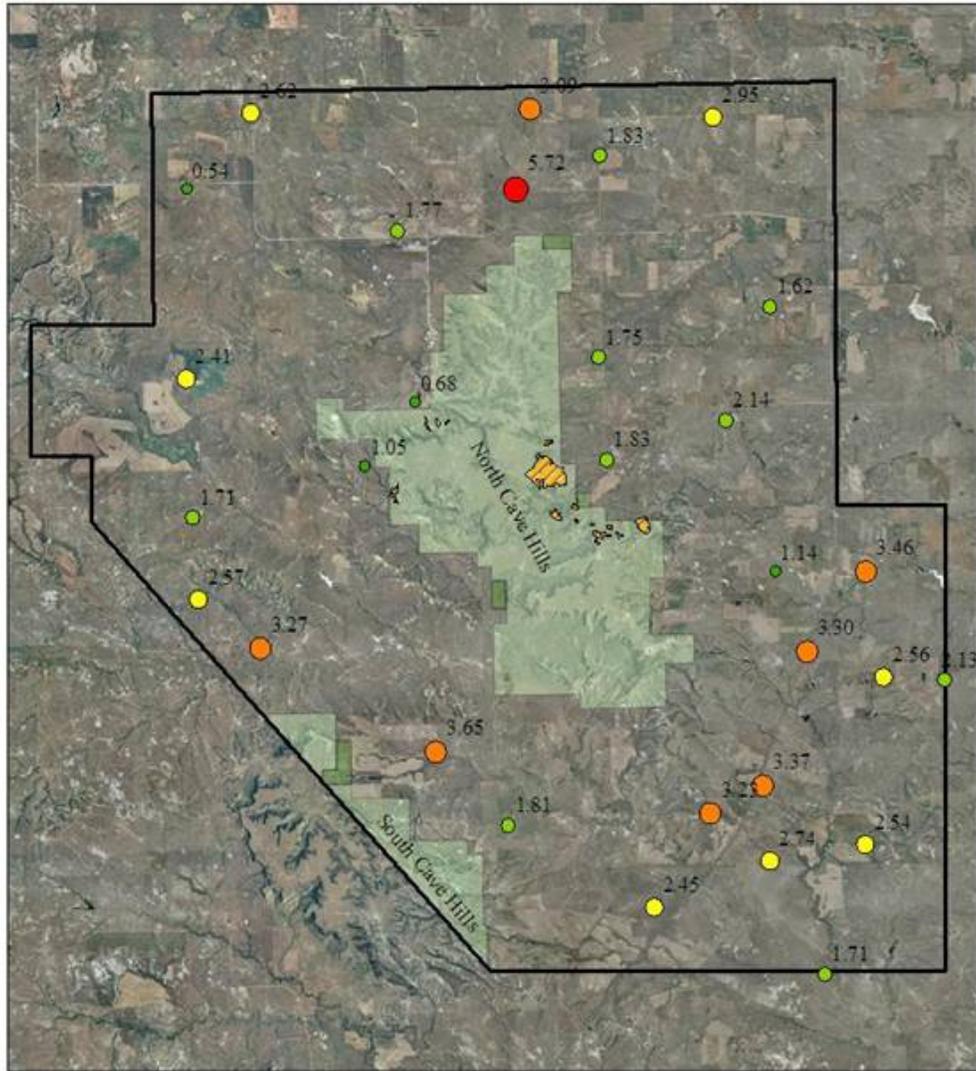


Figure 8.7: Selenium distribution from soil dust analysis.

*FINAL REPORT: North Cave Hills Abandoned Uranium Mines Impact Investigation  
South Dakota School of Mines and Technology*



0 1,600 3,200 6,400 Meters

| Legend      |                          |
|-------------|--------------------------|
| Th, mg/kg   | 2.15 - 2.95              |
| 0.54 - 1.14 | 2.96 - 3.65              |
| 1.15 - 2.14 | 3.66 - 5.72              |
|             | Riley Pass Uranium Mines |



Figure 8.8: Thorium distribution from soil dust analysis.

*FINAL REPORT: North Cave Hills Abandoned Uranium Mines Impact Investigation  
South Dakota School of Mines and Technology*

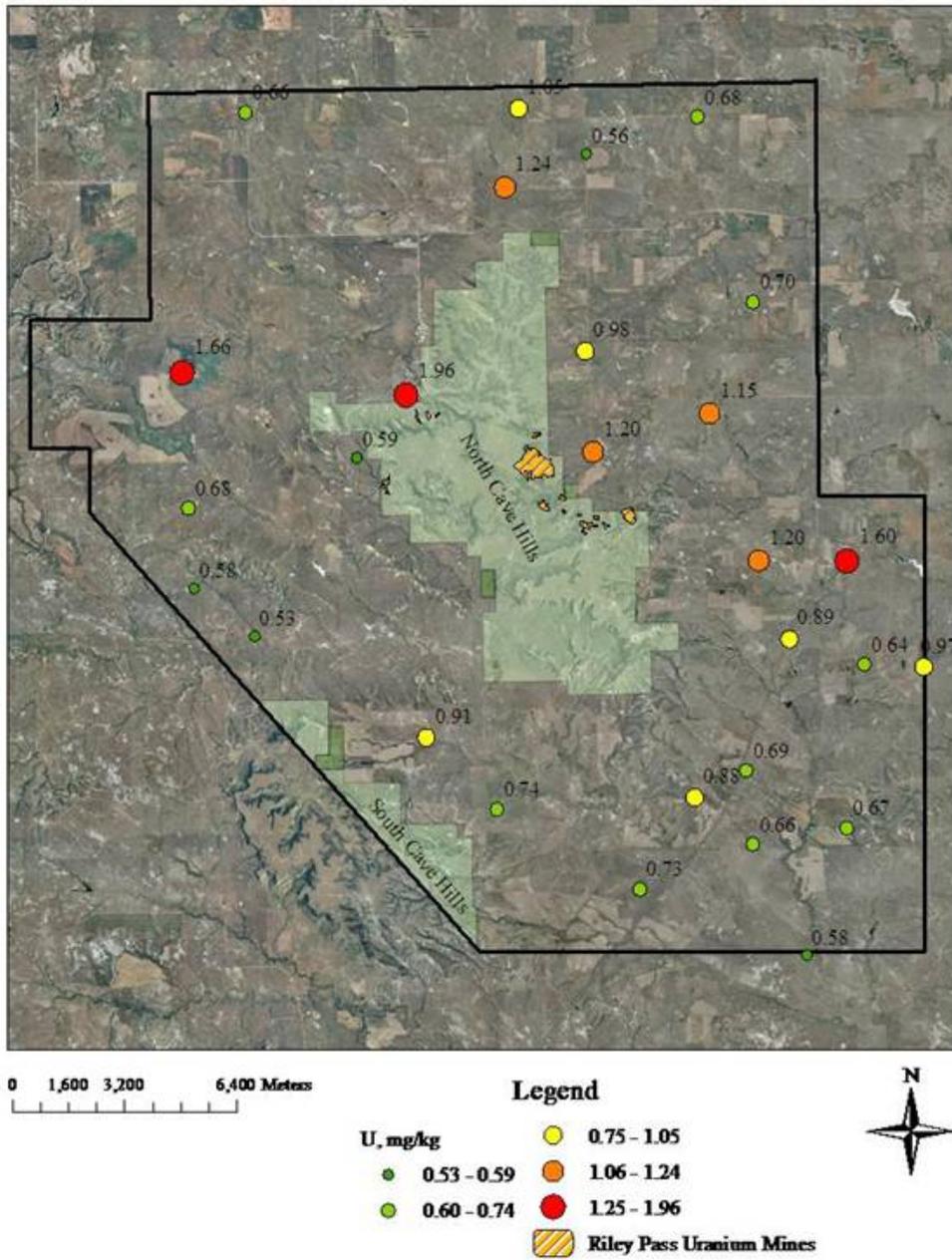


Figure 8.9: Uranium distribution from soil dust analysis.

*FINAL REPORT: North Cave Hills Abandoned Uranium Mines Impact Investigation  
South Dakota School of Mines and Technology*

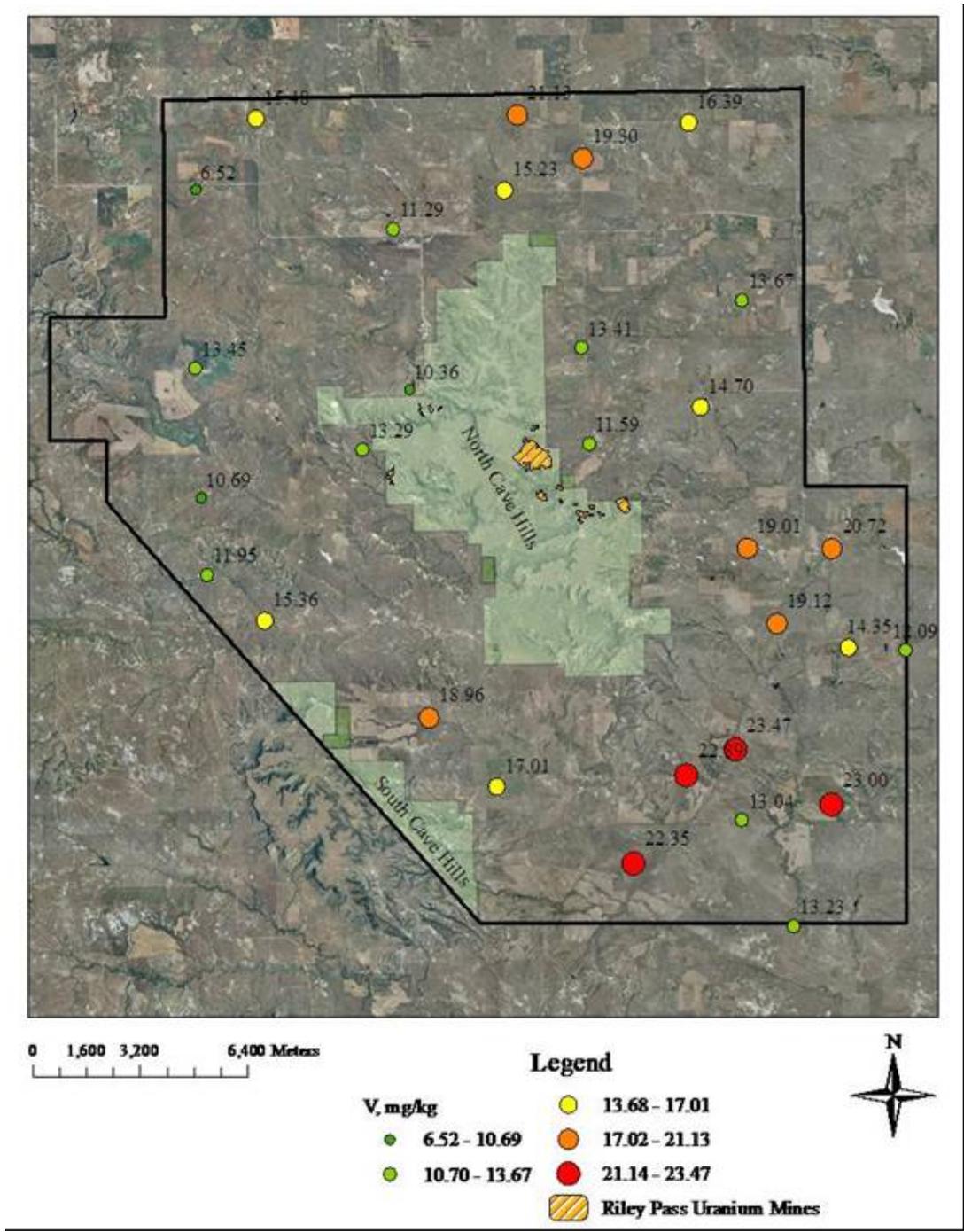


Figure 8.10: Vanadium distribution from soil dust analysis.