

Observed controls on urban groundwater quality in a humid tropical environment



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- Shallow groundwater via wells and springs
- A bid to achieve (SDG 6.1)





faecal matter from pit
latrine to pit



Septic tank



Ecosan Toilet

- Sanitation facilities and management
- SDG 6.2?

Understanding controls on Groundwater quality



Electrical resistivity surveys



water sources and sanitation facilities mapping.

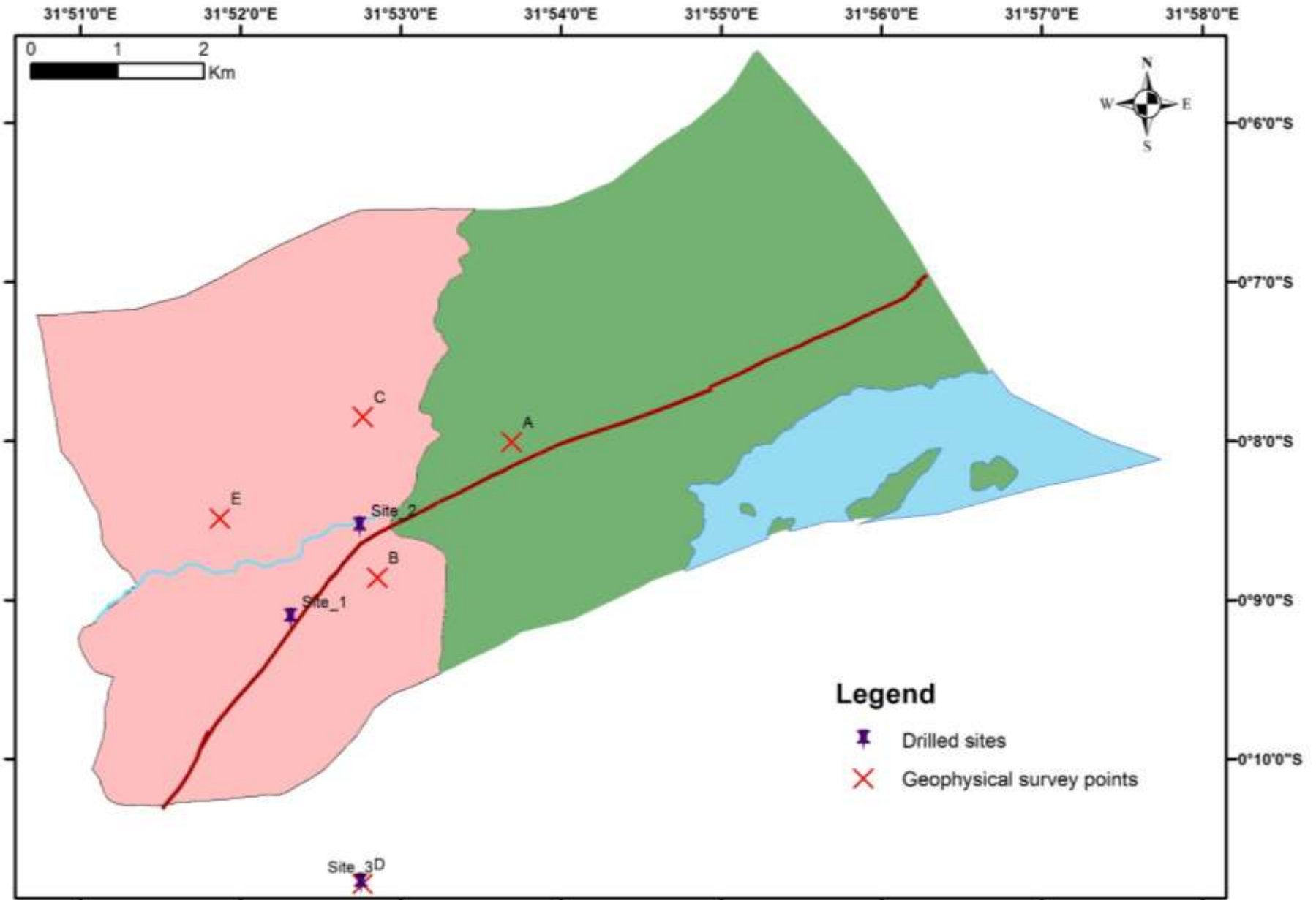


Drilling and logging



Water quality sampling

Lessons learnt



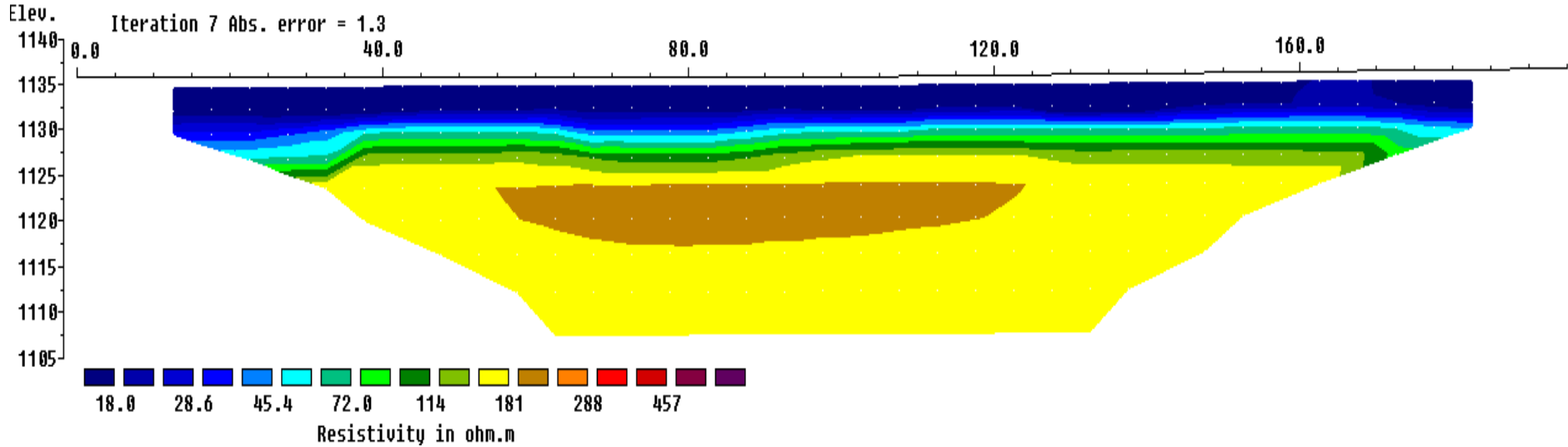


Electrical Resistivity Tomography (ERT) Vertical Electrical Sounding (VES)

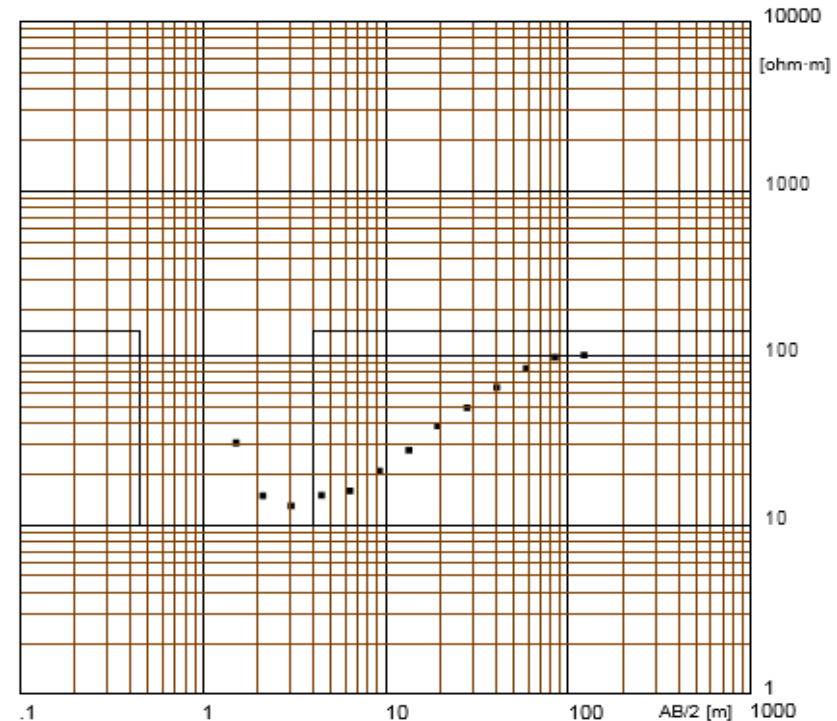
Site A

Model resistivity with topography

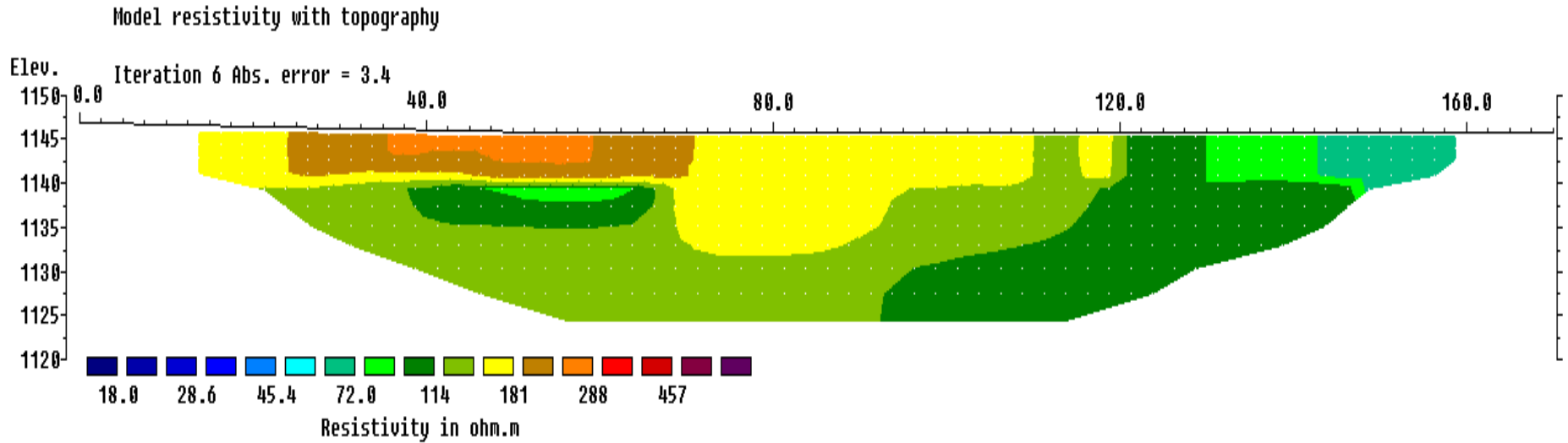
Iteration 7 Abs. error = 1.3



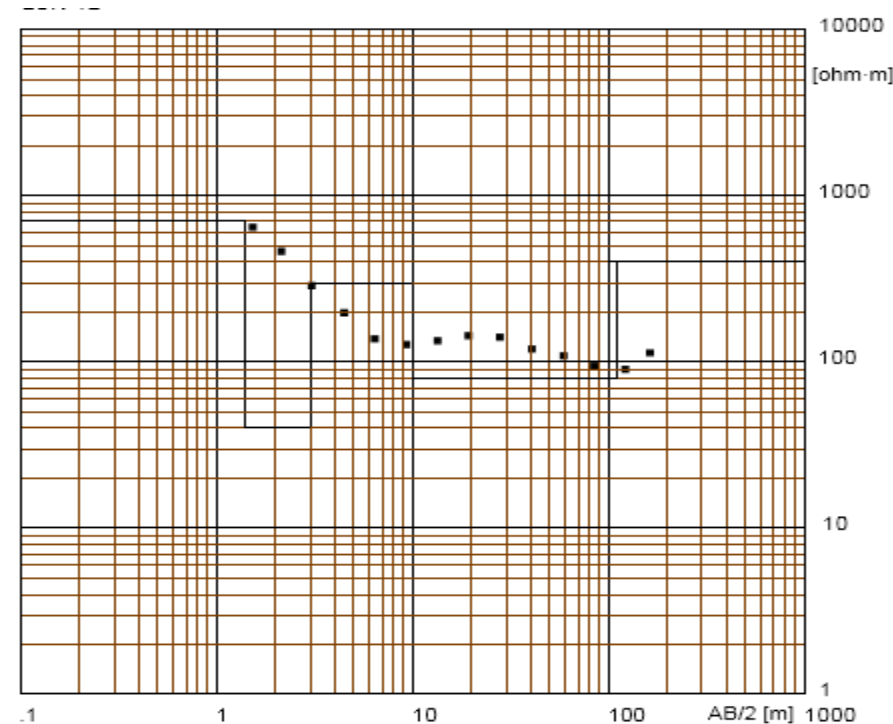
- Horizontal stratification
- Low surficial resistivity 0 to 1.5m probably clays
- 1.5 to 28m, probably saturated sediments
- drop in resistivity at deeper than 30m suggest change in Lithology



Site B

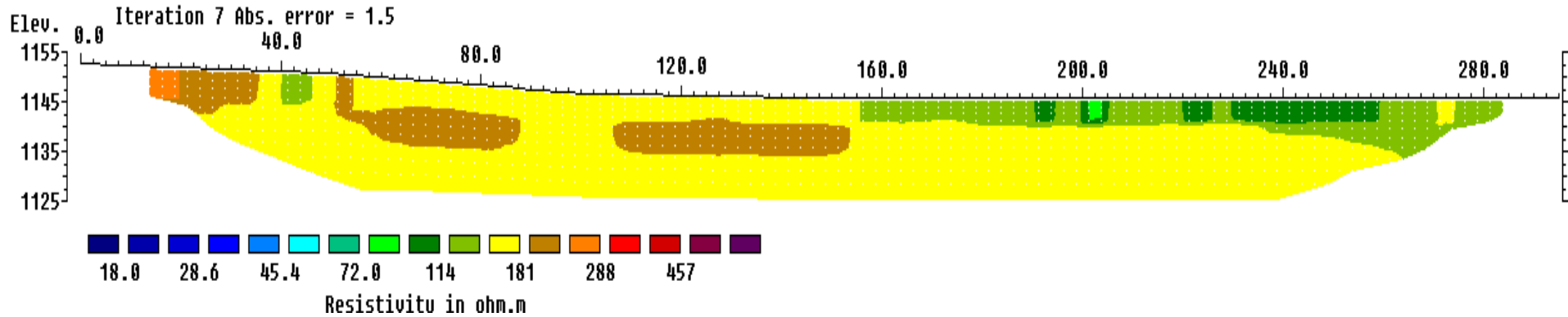


- Highly resistive surface up to 3.2m probably alluvium sediments
- 3.2m to 12m likely saturated coarse sediments
- >12m varying resistivity likely saturated sediments to basement complex?

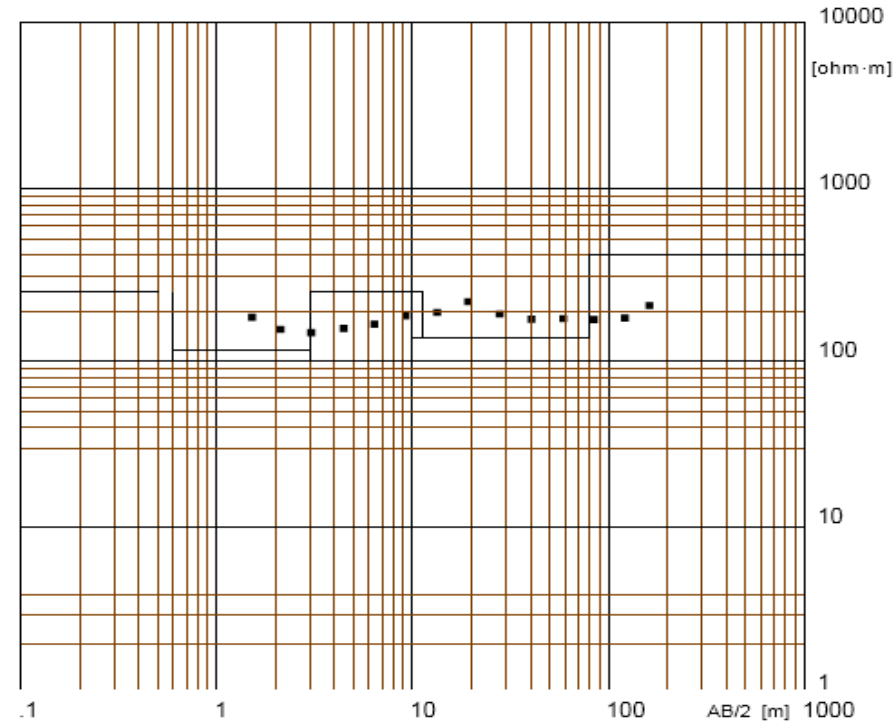


Site C

Model resistivity with topography



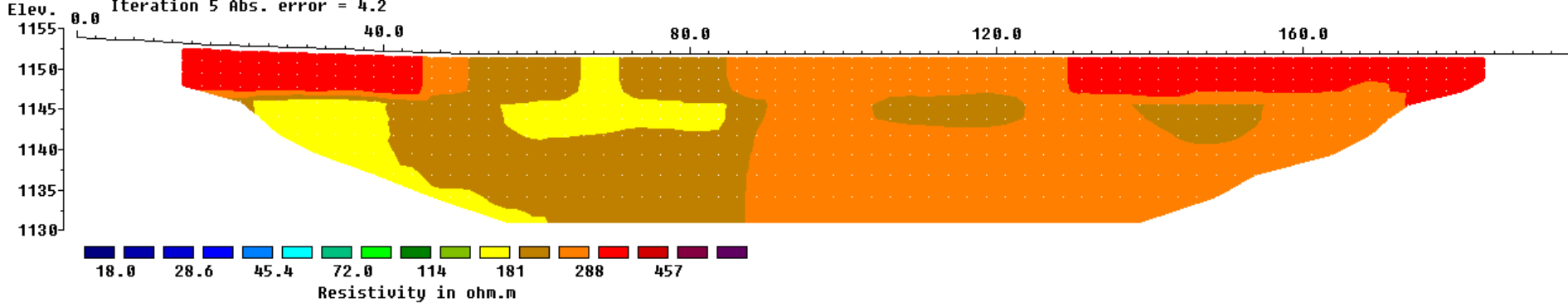
- high resistive formations (likely saturated clayey) on the left and low on the right
- VES shows alternating layers likely sediments



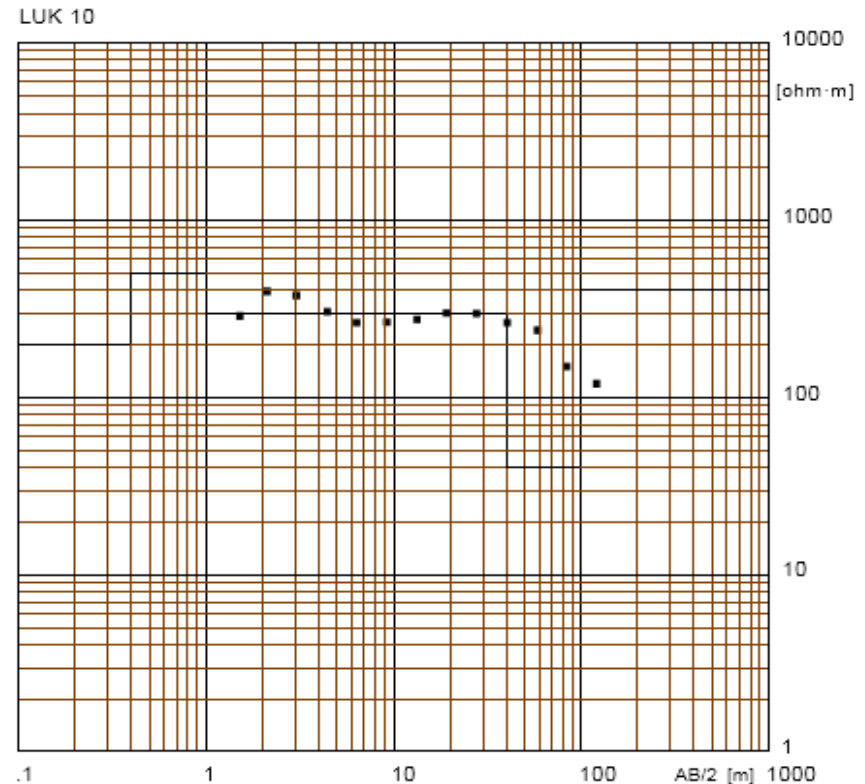
Site D

Model resistivity with topography

Iteration 5 Abs. error = 4.2



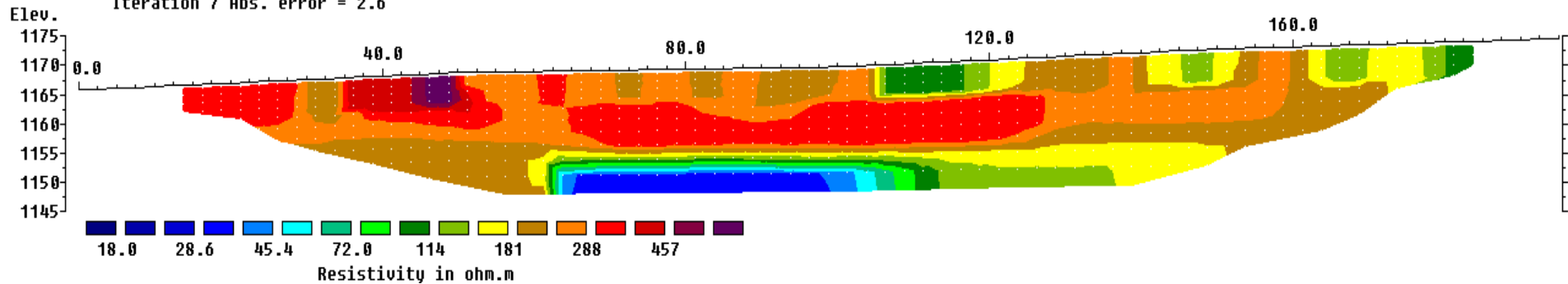
- Heterogeneous formations;
- Highly resistive near surface 0 to 1m;
- Variable medium relativity down the profile



Site E

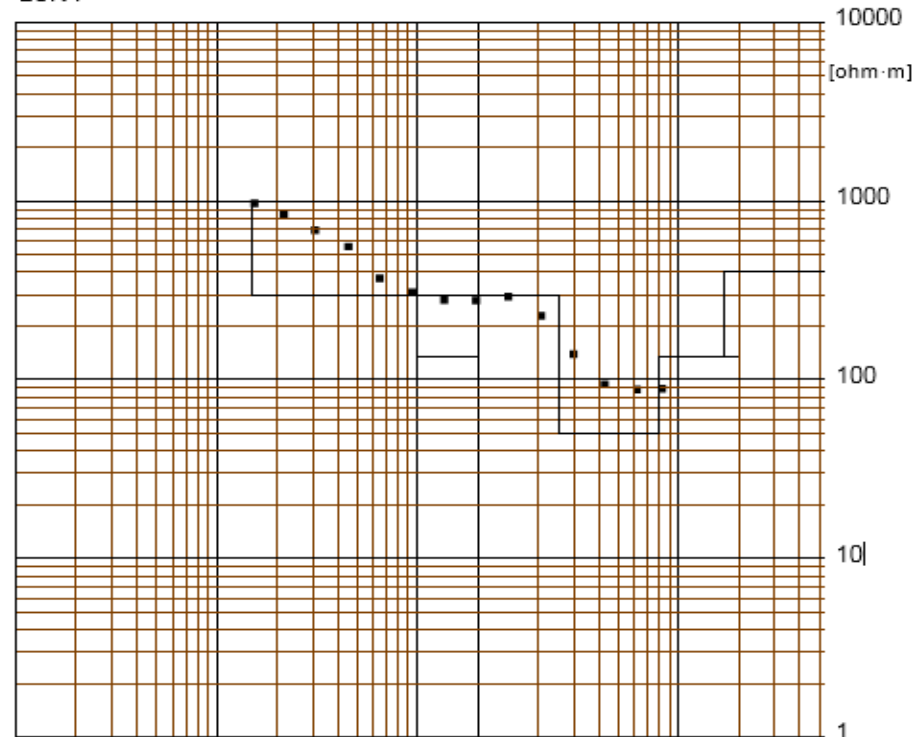
Model resistivity with topography

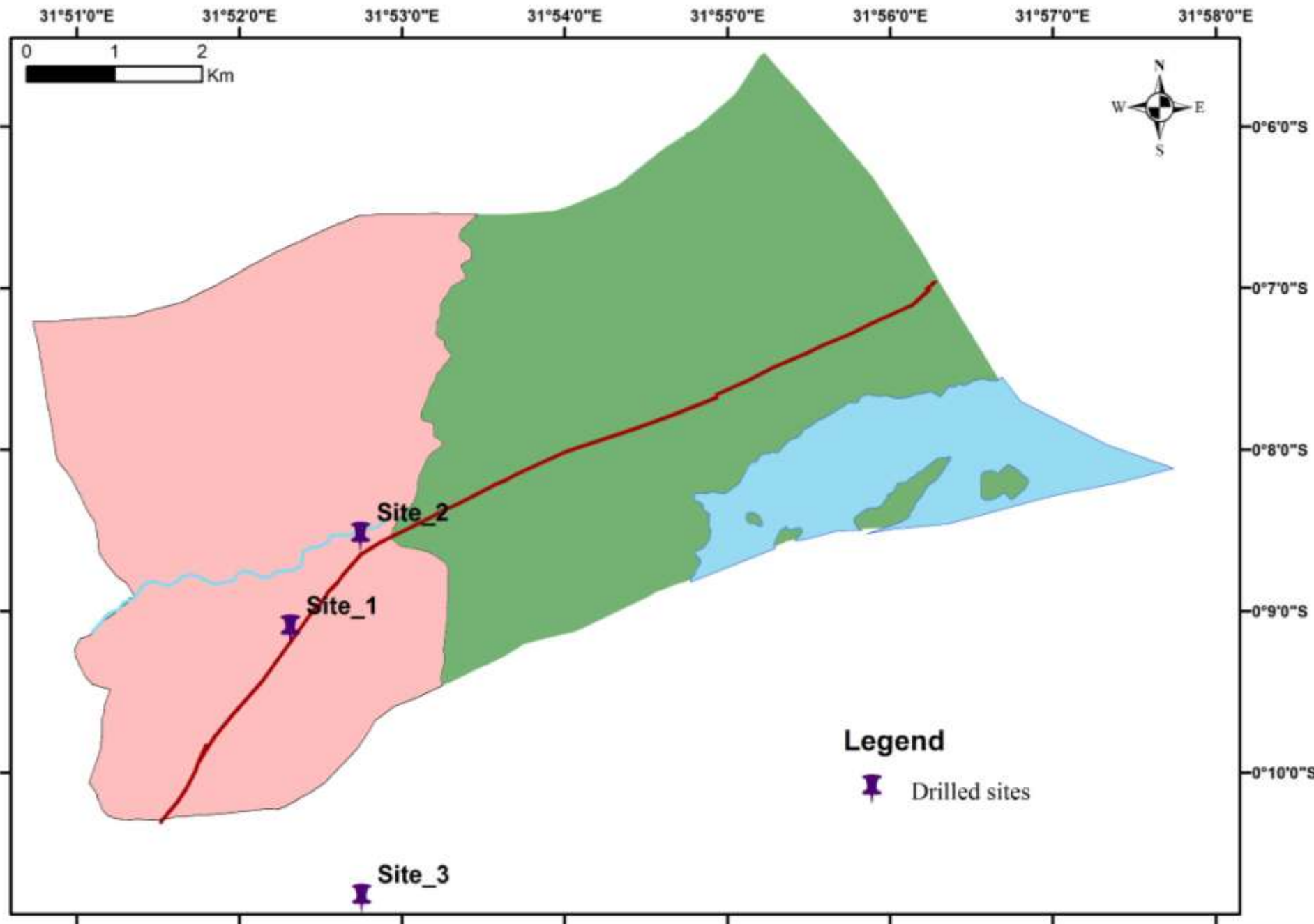
Iteration 7 Abs. error = 2.6

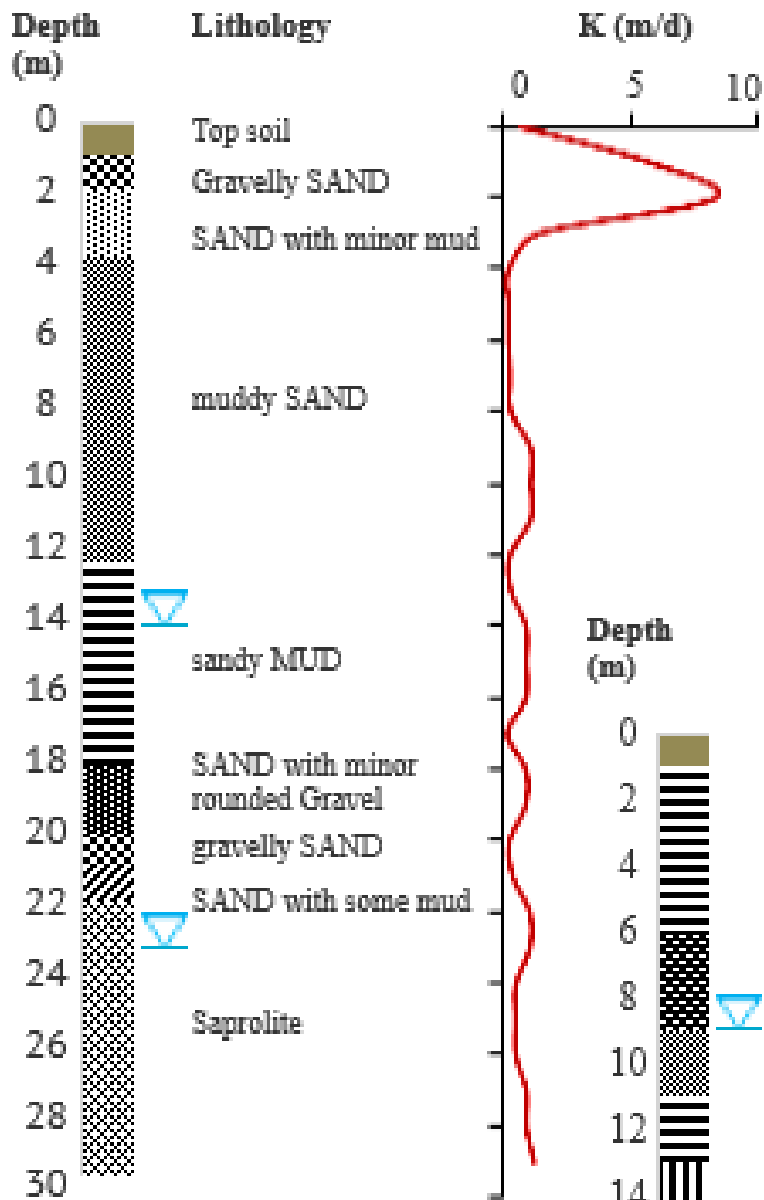


- Heterogeneous formations;
- Very highly resistive near surface 0- 4m.
- Relatively medium resistivity (4 - 8m
- Low resistivity at lower depth (saturated zone)

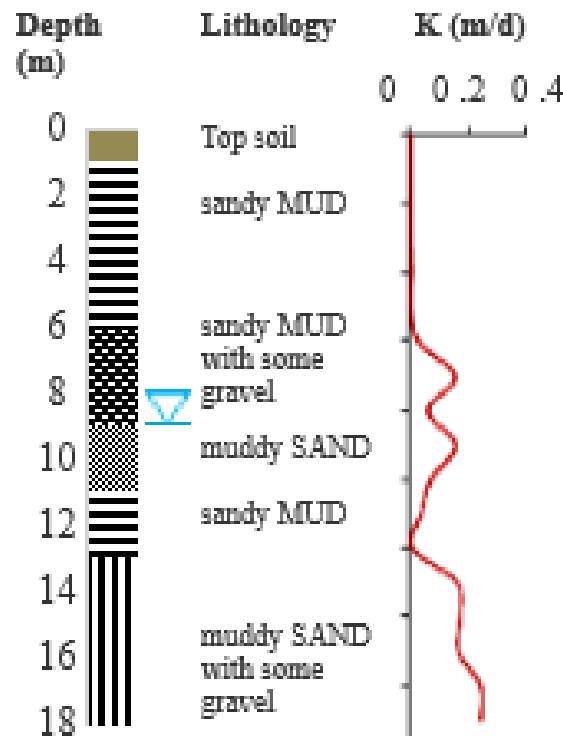
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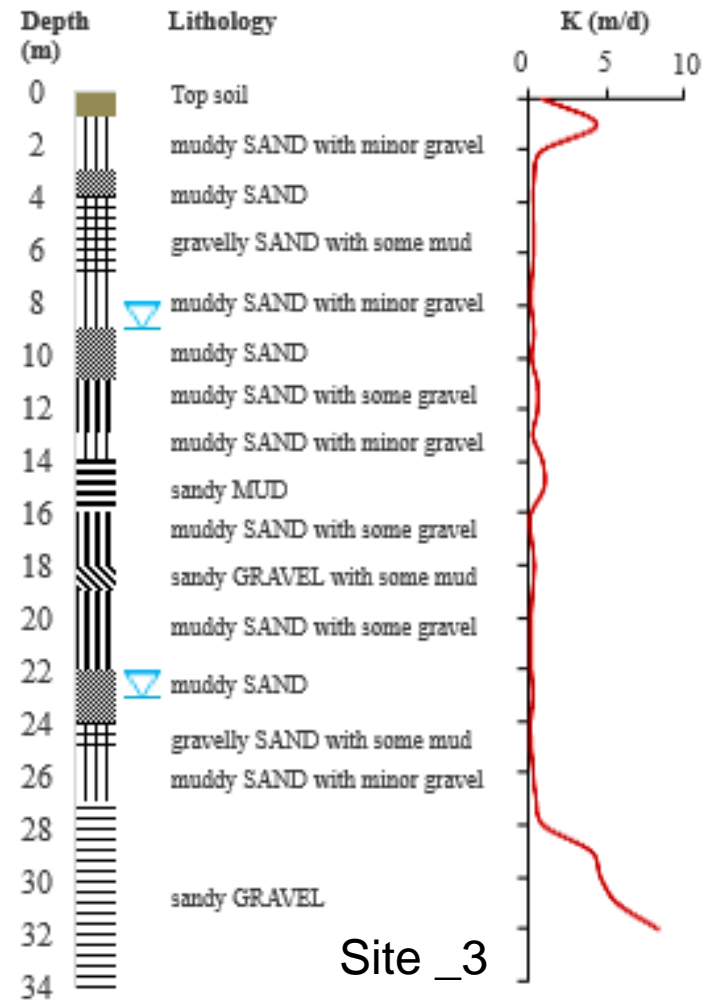




Site_1

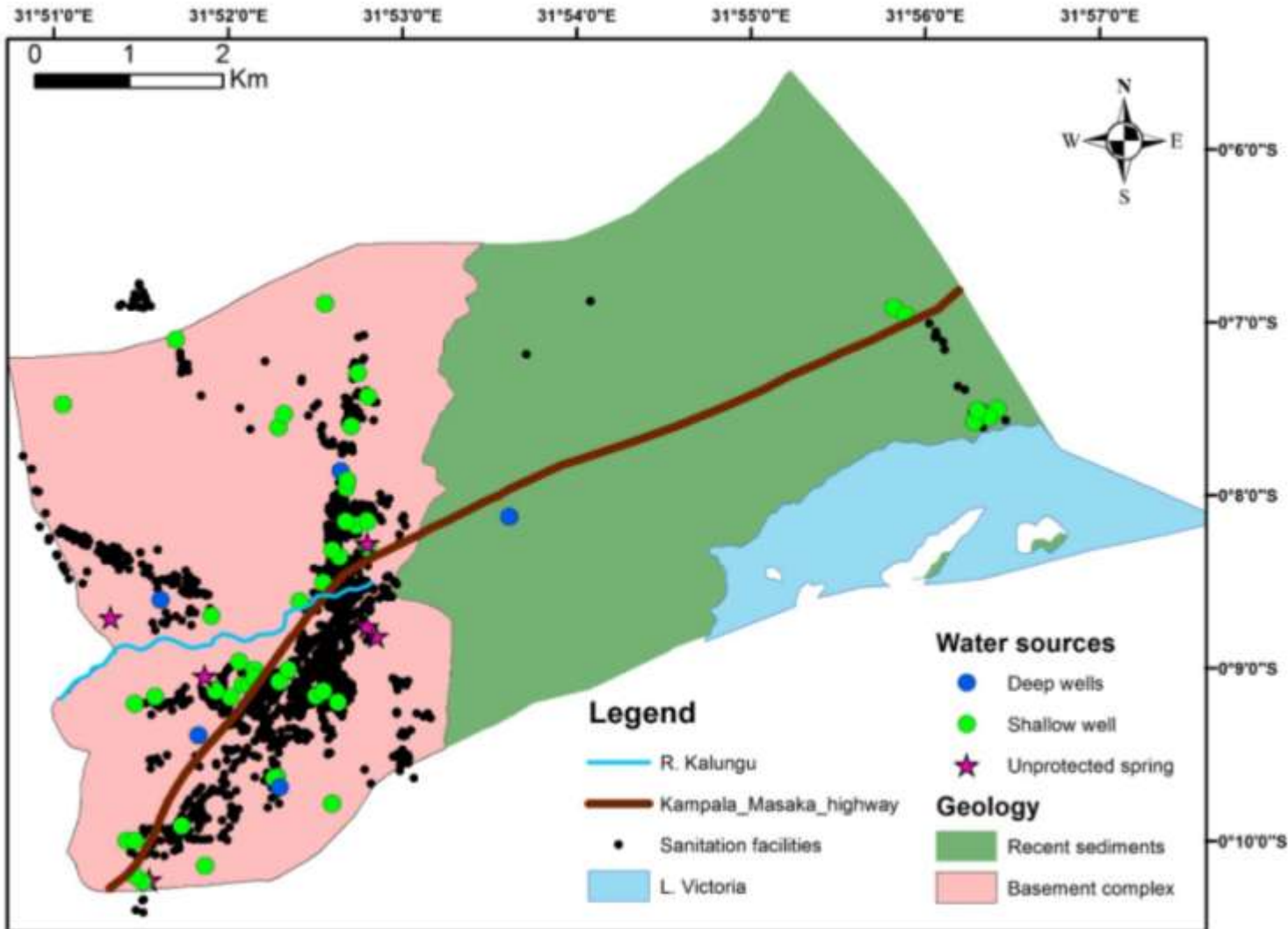


Site_2

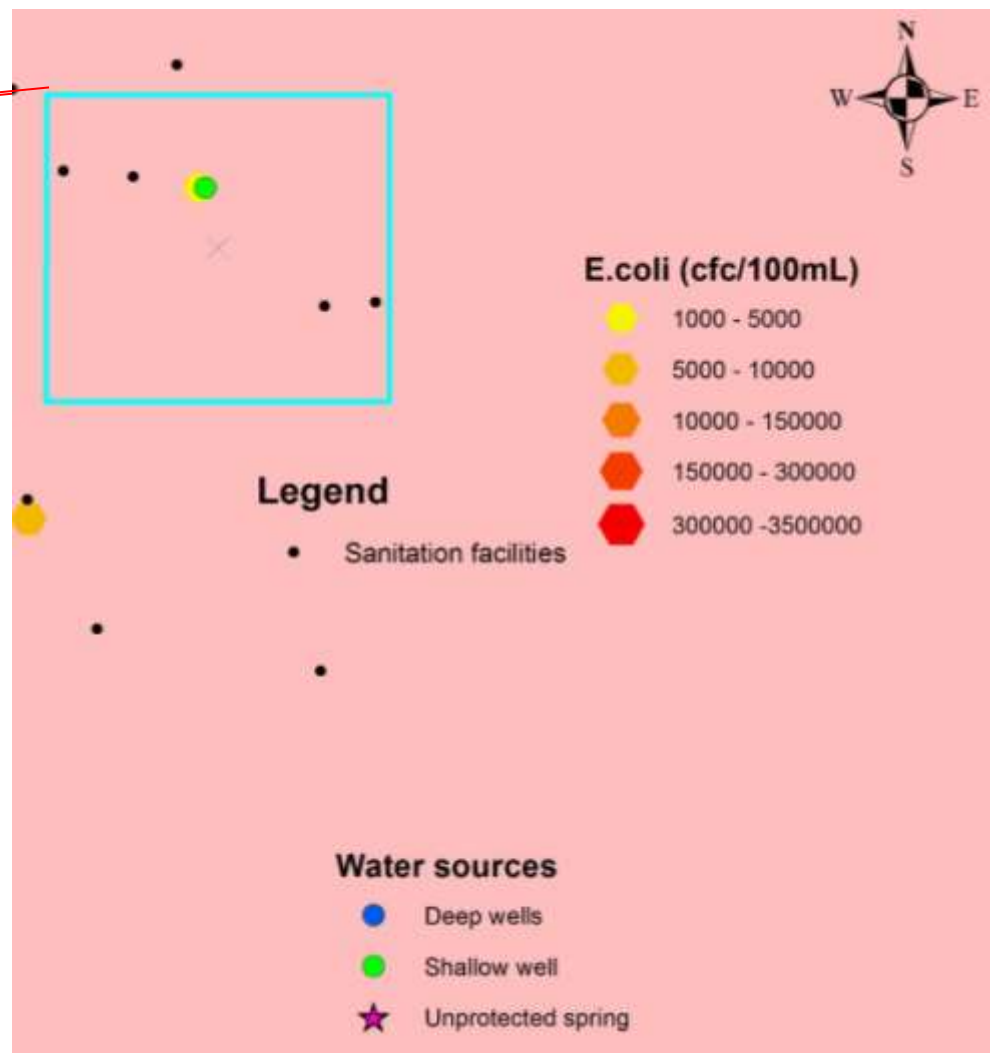
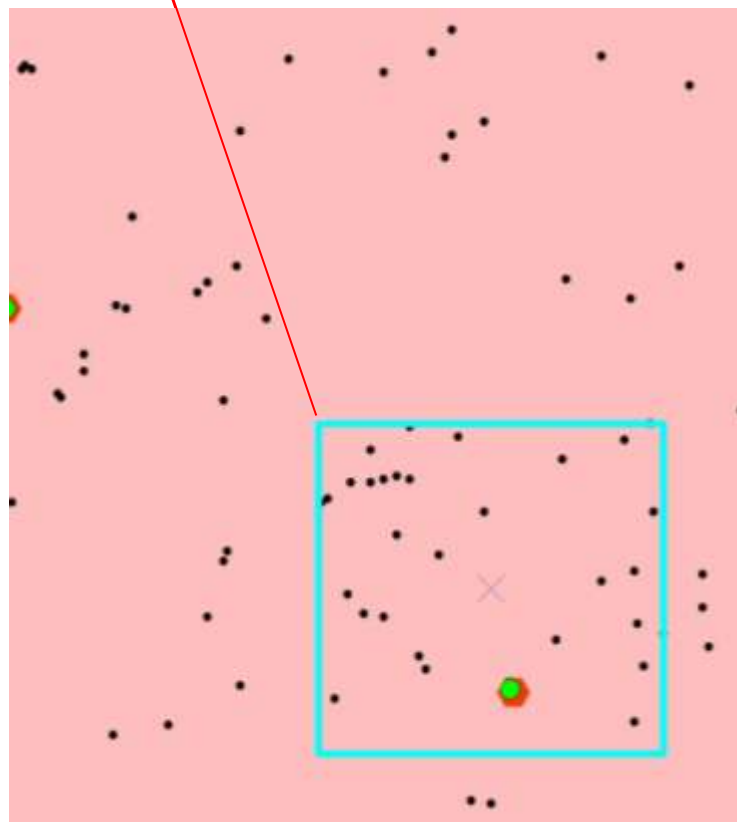
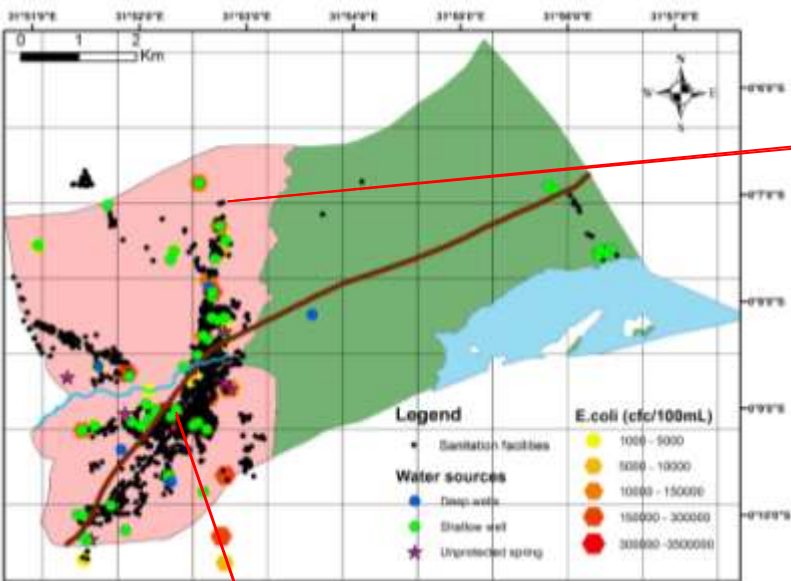


Site_3

- Upper layers highly conductive



- ~80% shallow wells and unprotected springs,
- water table ~ 0.5-5mbgl
- ~64% unimproved pit latrine.



- >25 latrines/hectare, (TC) counts > 10⁵ cfu/100mL (10³ cfu/100mL)
- <5 per hectare, (TCs <10³ cfu/100 mL)

Source ID	Type	T (°C)	pH	EC (µS/cm)	Turbidity (NTU)	NO3 (mg/L)	<i>E. coli</i> (cfu/100mL)	TTC Risk (WHO, 1997)	JMP (2019) type	FacilityJMP (2019) service level
ALW-1	SW	24.6	4.63	166	24	21.4	33 x 10 ³	Intermediate	Improved	Basic
ALW-4	SW	24.6	4.88	163	3	19.7	92 x 10 ³	Intermediate	Improved	Basic
ALW-7	SW	24.3	5.24	92	1	10.5	11.5 x 10 ³	Very High	Improved	Basic
ALW-8	SW	24.7	6.5	1402	29	270	3.3 x 10 ³	High	Improved	Limited
ALW-9	SW	25.4	5.9	771	28	350	2.8 x 10 ³	Very High	Improved	Basic
ALW-10	SW	25.2	4.79	77	2	6.9	0	High	Improved	Basic
ALW-11	SW	24.4	5.03	170	2	24	0	High	Improved	Basic
ALW-12	SW	24.3	5.07	91	0	ND	9.5 x 10 ³	High	Improved	Basic
ALW-14	SW	24.4	5.2	78	18	4	9.5 x 10 ³	Very High	Improved	Limited
ALW-15	SW	23.9	5.88	76	25	29	1 x 10 ³	Very High	Improved	Basic
ALW-16	SW	25.1	4.74	150	0	29	0	Intermediate	Improved	Limited
ALW-13	SW	25.7	4.71	263	0	2	4.5 x 10 ³	Intermediate	Improved	Basic
ALW-17	DW	23.2	4.99	58	28	1.4	0	Low	Improved	Limited
ALW-18	SW	24.9	5.17	143	0	6.8	23.5 x 10 ³	Low	Improved	Basic
ALW-19	SW	25.1	5.39	238	0	0.3	0	High	Improved	Basic
ALW-20	SW	24.2	5.02	291	0	24.4	0	Very High	Improved	Basic
ALW-21	US	24.5	5.4	269	29	20	1.8 x 10 ³	Very High	Unimproved	Unimproved
ALW-22	US	24.4	5.4	306	28	18	0.3 x 10 ³	Very High	Unimproved	Unimproved
ALW-23	SW	24.6	5.39	274	7	ND	0	Extreme	Improved	Basic
ALW-24	SW	24	5.27	361	8	5.2	37 x 10 ³	Extreme	Improved	Limited
ALW-25	US	24.5	4.88	282	9	26.2	14.5 x 10 ³	Extreme	Unimproved	Unimproved
ALW-26	SW	25	4.94	67	0	6.4	0	Intermediate	Improved	Basic
ALW-27	SW	25	4.92	69	6	ND	5.5 x 10 ³	Intermediate	Improved	Basic
ALW-28	SW	24.4	5.13	46	17	ND	4.5 x 10 ³	Extreme	Improved	Basic
ALW-29	US	24.8	5.08	55	12	7.4	0	Very High	Unimproved	Unimproved
ALW-30	SW	25.57	4.81	56	18	ND	11.5 x 10 ³	Extreme	Improved	Limited
ALW-31	SW	24.7	5.6	404	23	5.7	0	Very High	Improved	Basic
ALW-32	SW	25.5	5.46	126	9	ND	0	Extreme	Improved	Basic
ALW-33	SW	23.72	5.42	208	0	15	0	Low	Improved	Limited
ALW-34	SW	24.3	5.13	79	3	6.3	0	Intermediate	Improved	Limited
ALW-35	SW	23.8	6.13	209	15	6	2 x 10 ³	Very Low	Improved	Limited
ALW-36	SW	24.4	4.97	79	0	5.7	0	Intermediate	Improved	Basic
ALW-37	SW	24.4	6.28	480	0	ND	25.5 x 10 ³	Extreme	Improved	Basic
ALW-38	DW	24.5	5.35	154	12	6.6	1.2 x 10 ³	High	Improved	Basic
ALW-39	SW	23.9	5.19	131	3	5.4	16.5 x 10 ³	High	Improved	Limited
ALW-40	SW	24.7	5.12	177	1	3.3	0	Intermediate	Improved	Limited
ALW-41	SW	24.9	4.88	129	9	4.5	14 x 10 ³	Very Low	Improved	Limited
WHO		NS	NS	500	5	Low	50	Improved	Safely managed	

Conclusions

- Lukaya town depends primarily on the sub surface for on-site water supply and disposal of faecal matter
- Majority access shallow groundwater by means of hand-dug shallow wells
- Main form of sanitation facilities are on-site elevated pit latrine;
- Where sanitation facilities are > 25/hectare, shallow groundwater is grossly contaminated;
- 90% are improved water sources
- 67% provide basic service due to microbial contamination
- 57% had E.coli count of $>10^3$ cfc/100 mL)

Thank you for your attention!

