

Appendix 2B

Fault Stability Assessment



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Solutions with magnitude

River Parish Geomechanical Fault Seal Potential

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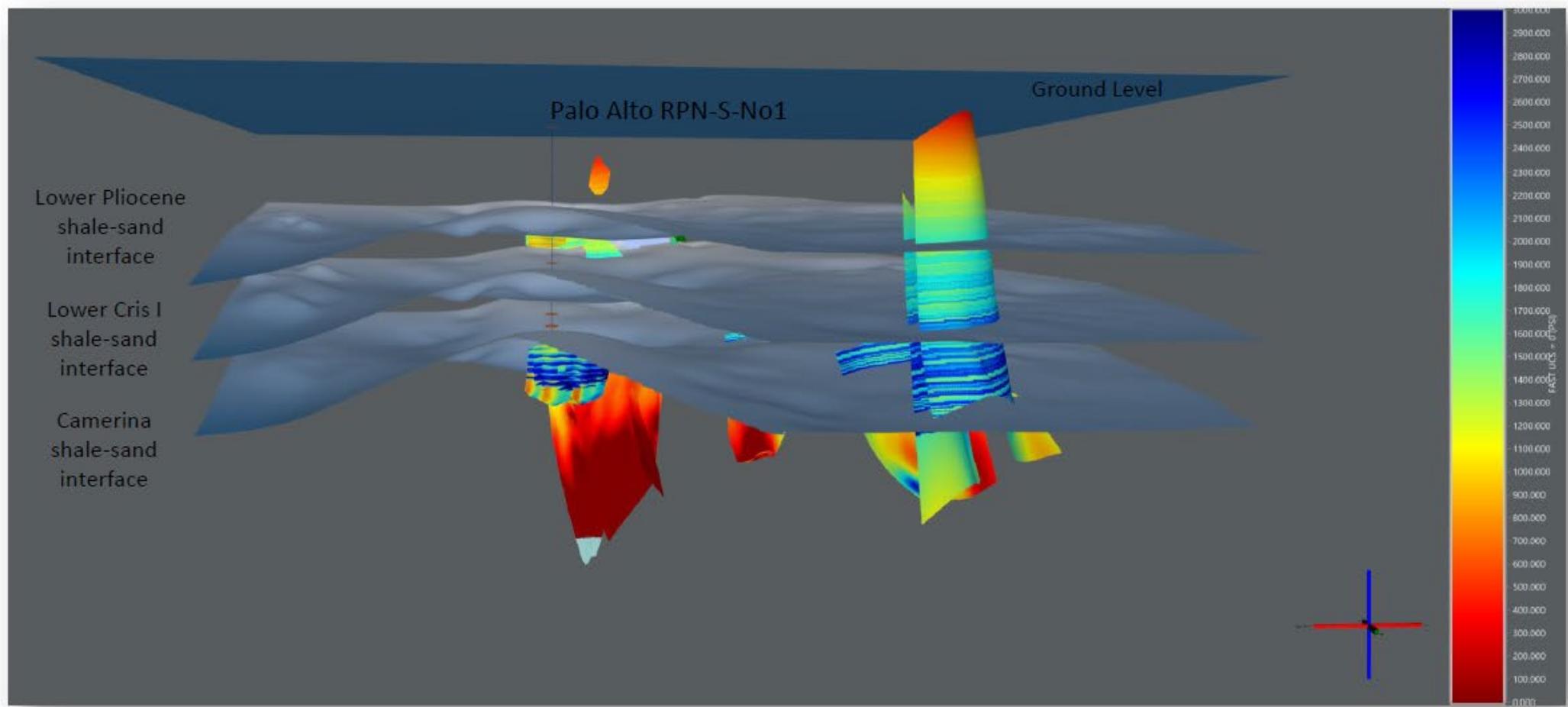
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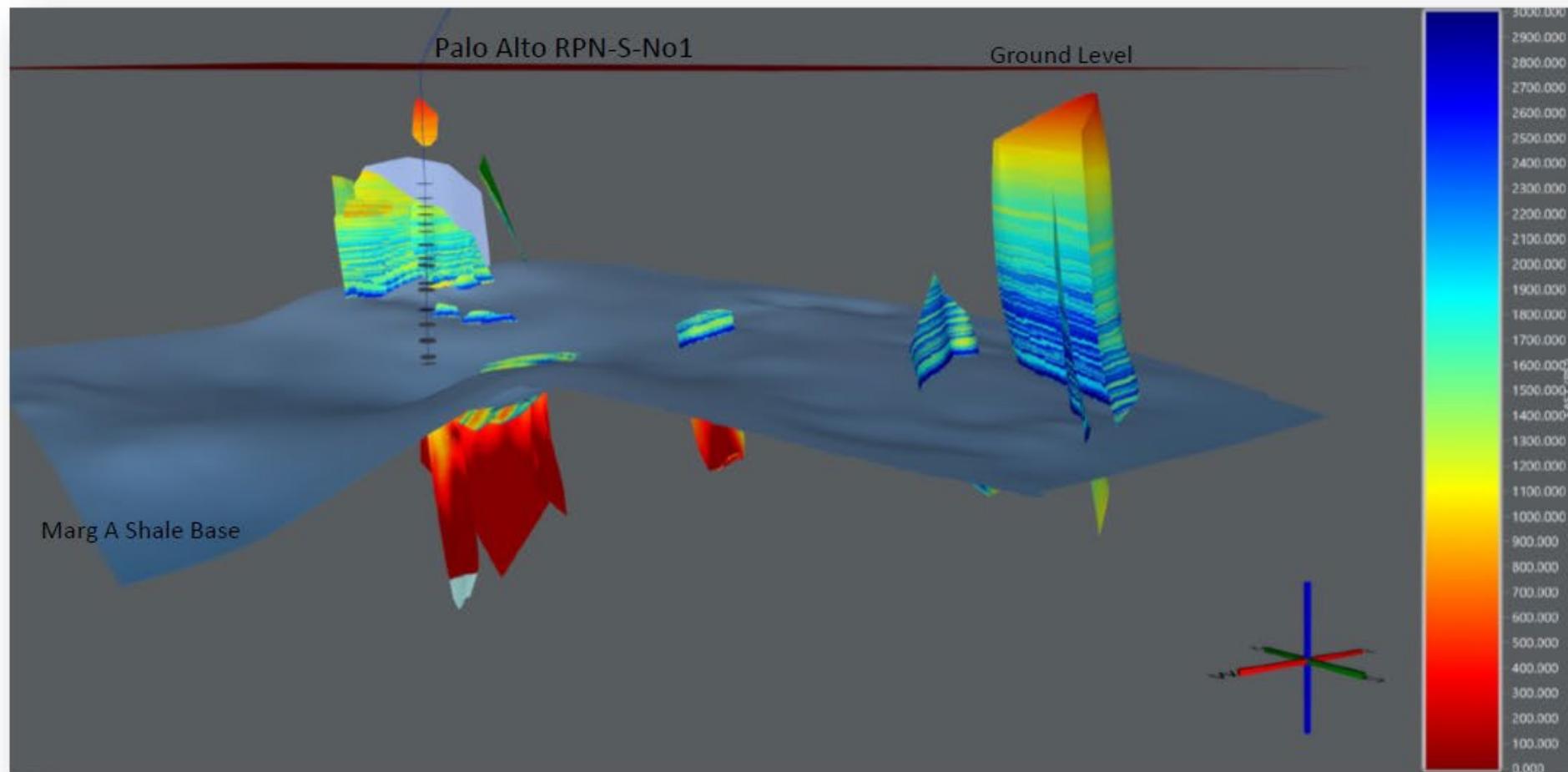
- Overview of fault reactivation risk.
- Fault risk is represented as pressure change to activate fault surface (DeltaP) in psi.
- Shale-sand interface for shallow, mid and deep models shown for reference.





Full Model Reactivation Risk

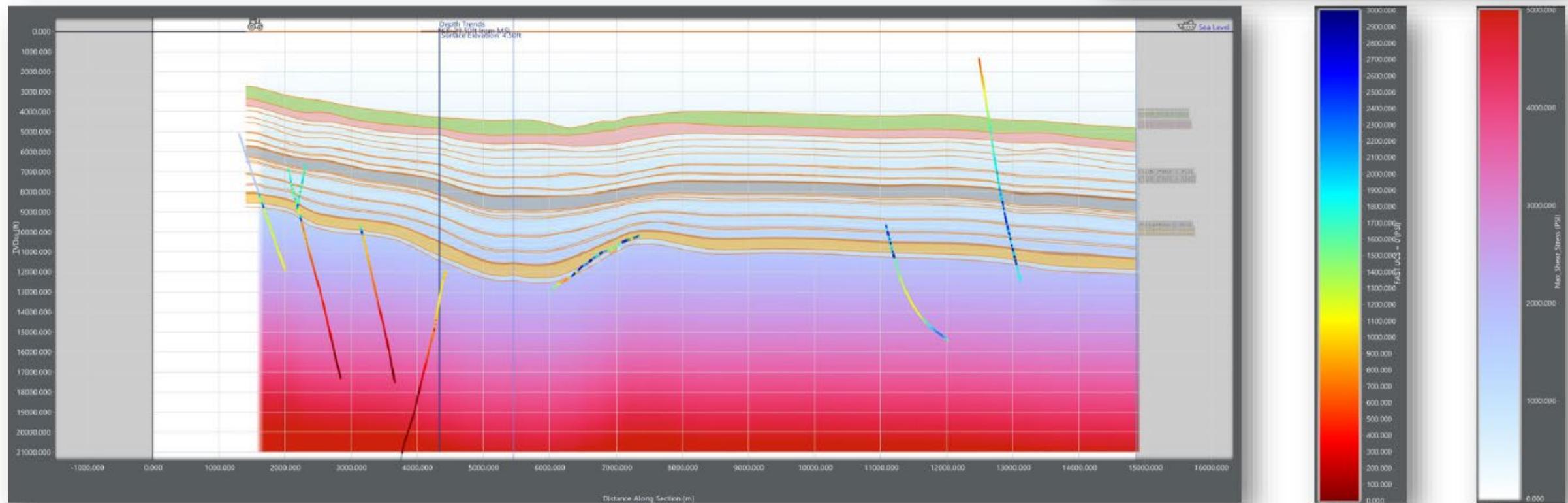
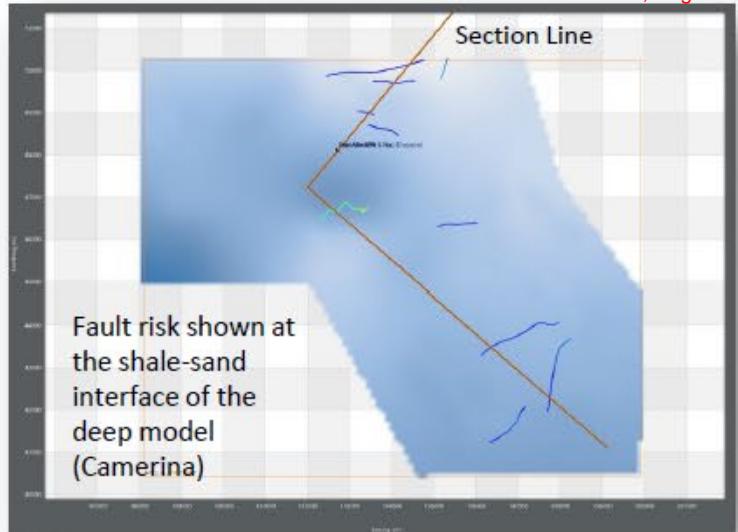
- Alternative 3D view of River Parish faults coloured with respect to pressure change required to reactivate fault segment.
- Surface horizon (red) and Marg A Shale Base (grey) surfaces included for reference.



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Section Line Reactivation Risk

- Section and plan view illustrating reactivation risk Faults coloured by DeltaP (pressure change required to activate fault) superimposed on maximum shear stress.
- Above Marga Shale Base and below 1st Miocene Shale, faults indicate a pressure change in excess of 1500 psi for activation.
- Note: data trends used above 1st Miocene Shale and below Marga Shale Base.





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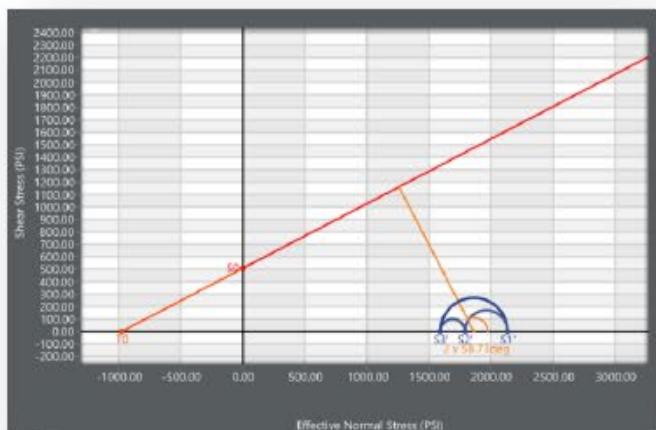
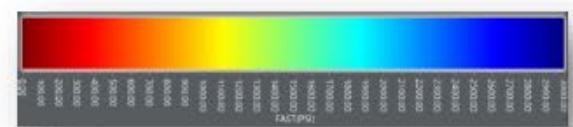
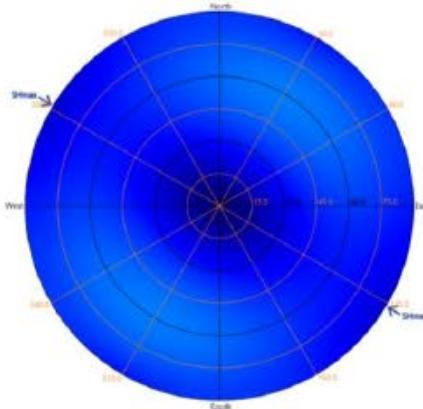
Shallow Case Lower Pliocene

**Shale: 4600 ft
Sand: 5025 ft**



Shallow Case Intact Rock

Lower Plio Shale (4600 ft)



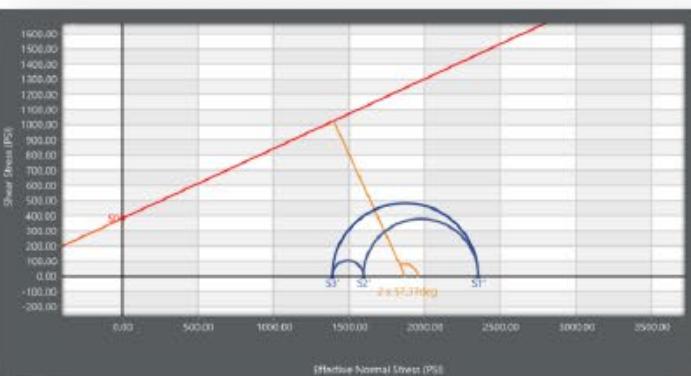
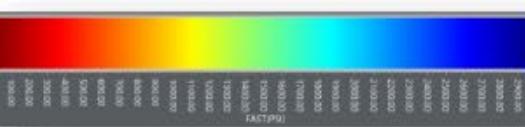
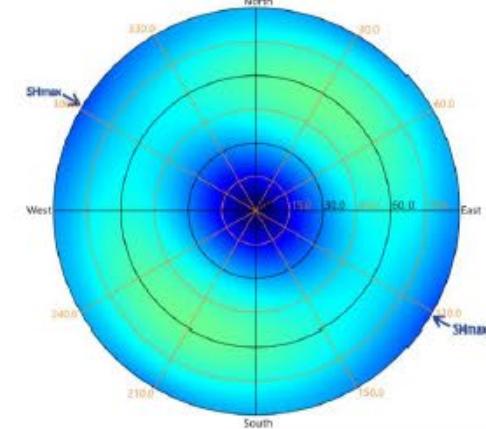
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Image log derived
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(full population) are
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Mohr diagrams plot
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pore pressure & stress
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Risk is presented as the pressure change required to induce failure.
Intact rock strength used to risk creation of new faults and fractures at
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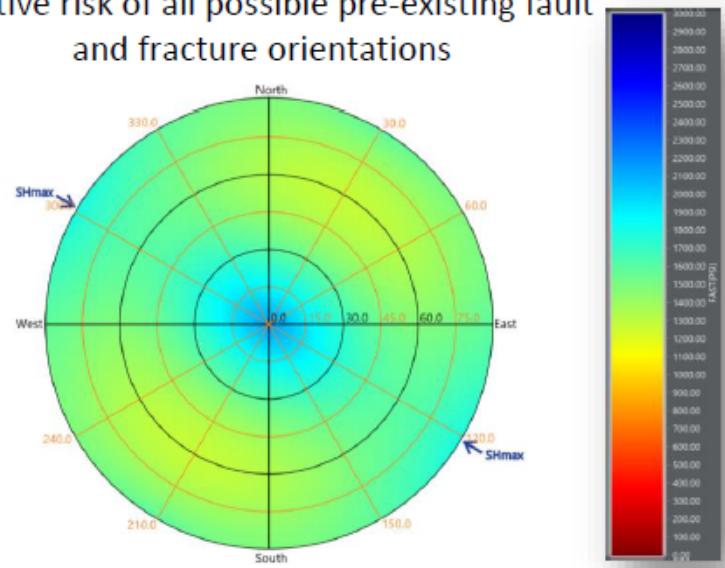
Lower Plio Sand (5025 ft)





Shallow Case React LWR Plio Shale

Relative risk of all possible pre-existing fault and fracture orientations



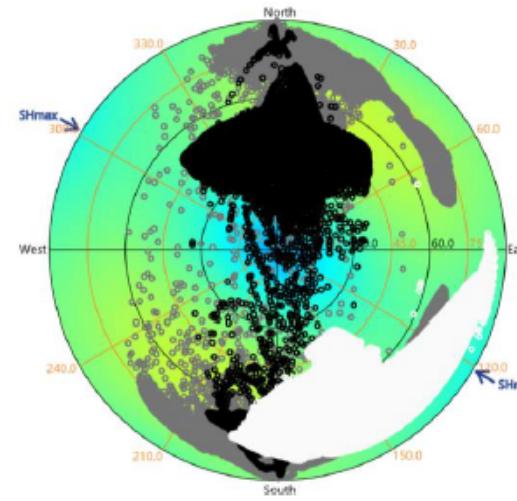
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Risk is presented as the pressure change required to induce failure.

Cohesive strength is reduced to 0 to risk activation of existing faults and fractures

Stereonets plot poles to planes (northern hemisphere projection)
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Fault populations superimposed as poles to planes over reactivation risk

- Northern
- Central
- Southern

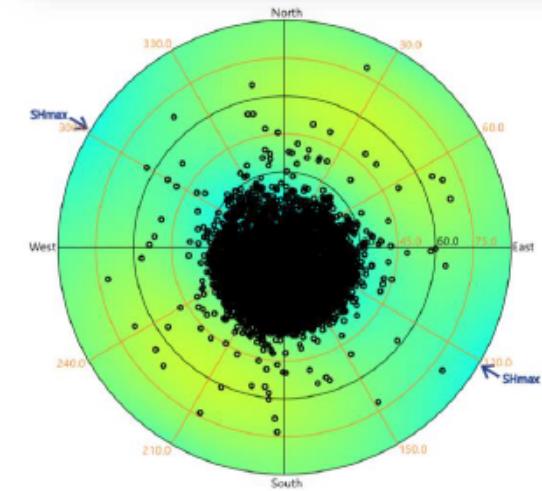
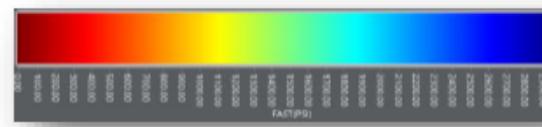


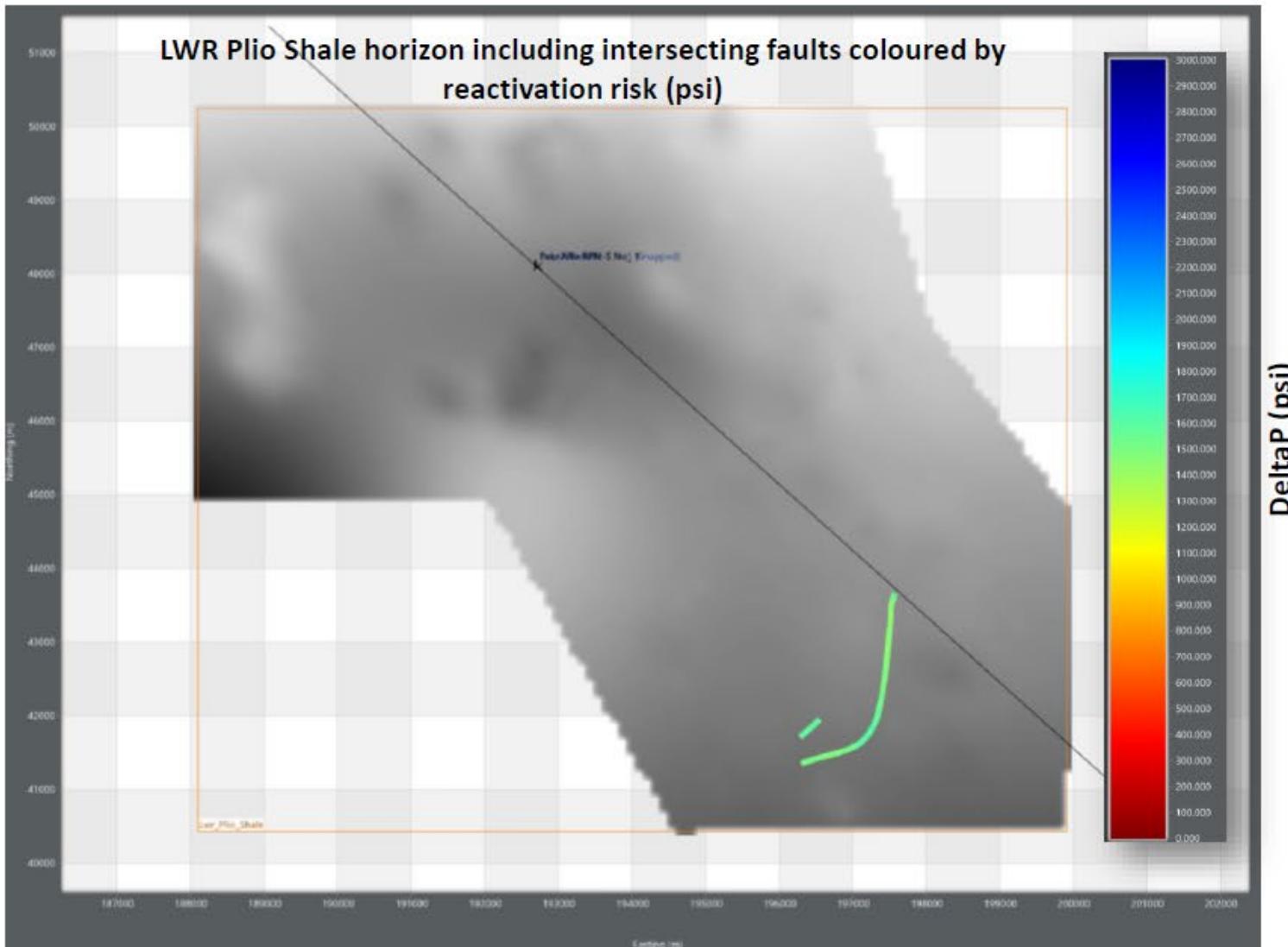
Image log derived surfaces (full population) are superimposed as poles to planes



Shallow Case: LWR Plio Shale

- Map illustrating faults intersecting the LWR Plio **Shale** horizon coloured by reactivation risk (pressure change required to initiate failure) at this intersection.
- Effective stresses are mapped to all faults and the pressure change required to activate the specific orientation of the fault across each triangulated surface is calculated.
- Fault cohesion conservatively assumed to be 0 psi and utilising friction angle equivalent to intact rock at this depth.
- Prediction suggests faults will reactivate with a pressure change exceeding approx. 1300 psi.

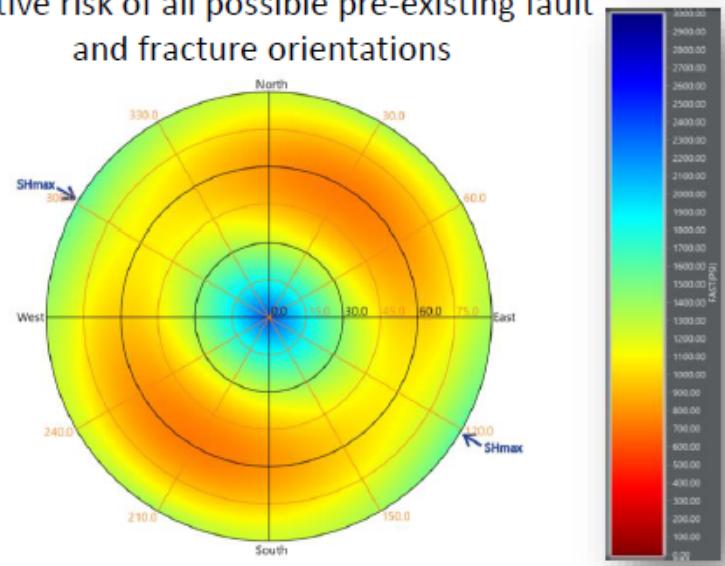
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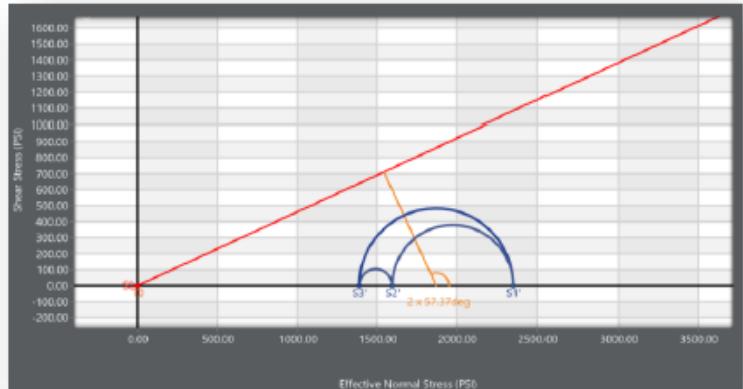


Shallow Case React LWR Plio Sand

Relative risk of all possible pre-existing fault and fracture orientations



Mohr diagram illustrates the corresponding pore pressure, stress and strength conditions

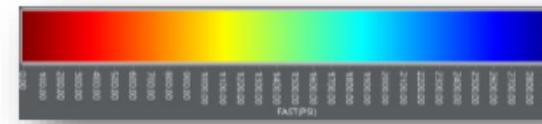
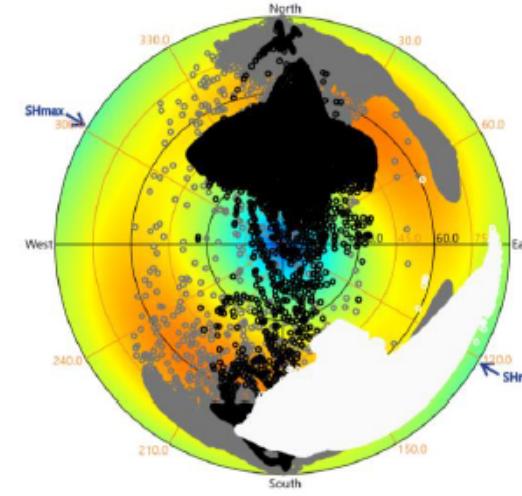


All figures are specific for stress and strength conditions at 5025 ft at Palo Alto RPN-S-No1

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Stereonets plot poles to planes (northern hemisphere projection)
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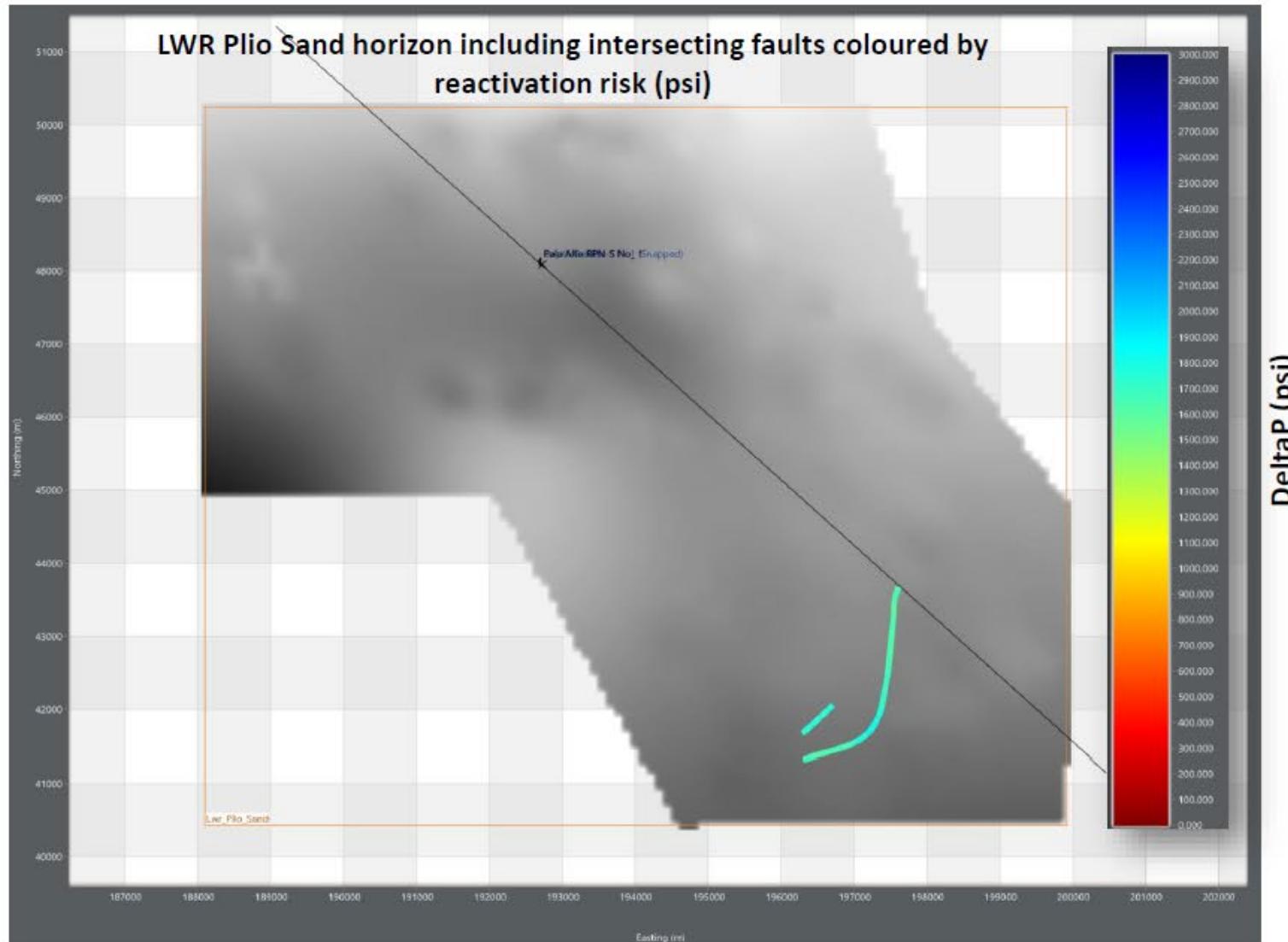




Shallow Case : LWR Plio Sand

- Map illustrating faults intersecting the LWR Plio **Sand** horizon coloured by reactivation risk (pressure change required to initiate failure) at this intersection.
- Effective stresses are mapped to all faults and the pressure change required to activate the specific orientation of the fault across each triangulated surface is calculated.
- Fault cohesion conservatively assumed to be 0 psi and utilising friction angle equivalent to intact rock at this depth.
- Prediction suggests steep faults in the southeast will reactivate with a pressure change exceeding approx. 1400 psi.
- Faults are not critically oriented at this horizon under these conditions.

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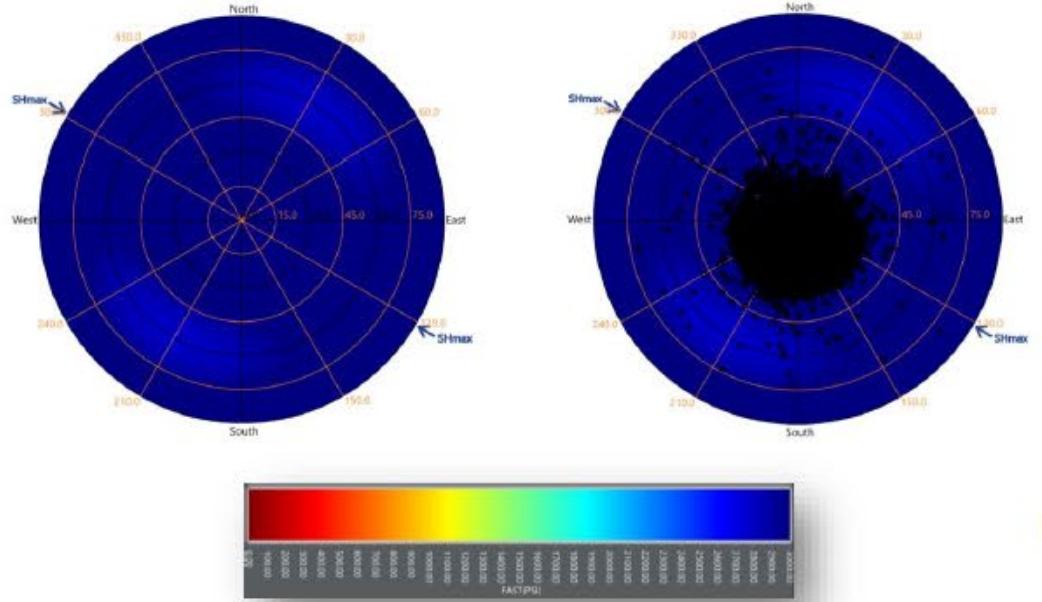
**Mid Case
Lower Cris I**

**Shale: 7475 ft
Sand: 7600 ft**



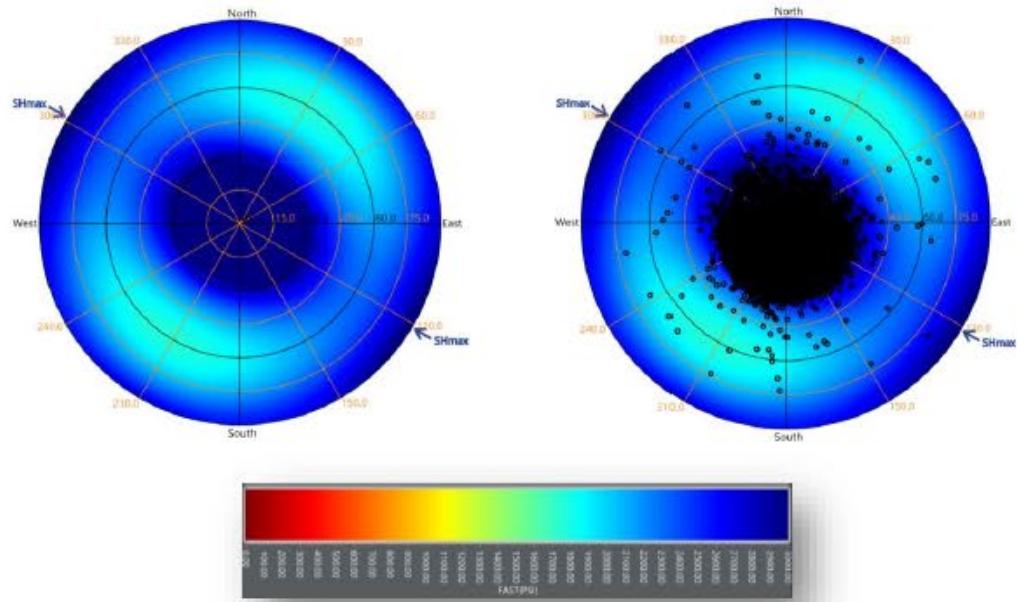
Mid Case Intact Rock

Lower Cris I Shale (7475 ft)



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Intact rock strength used to risk creation of new faults and fractures at critical orientations

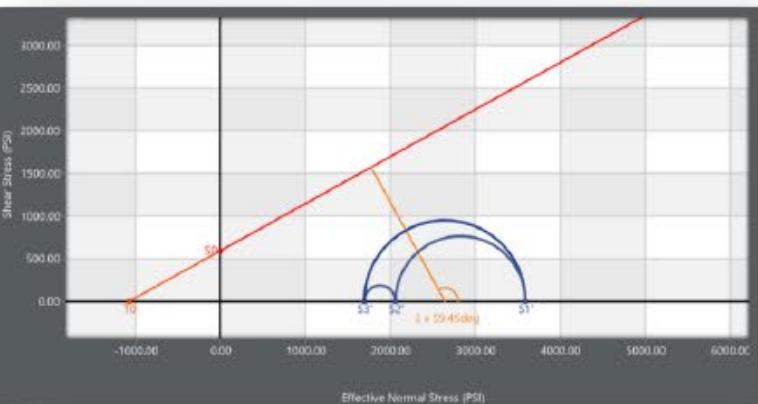
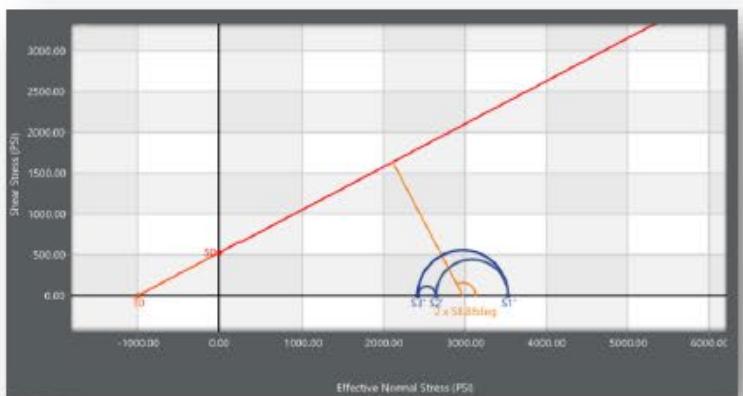
Lower Cris I Sand (7600 ft)



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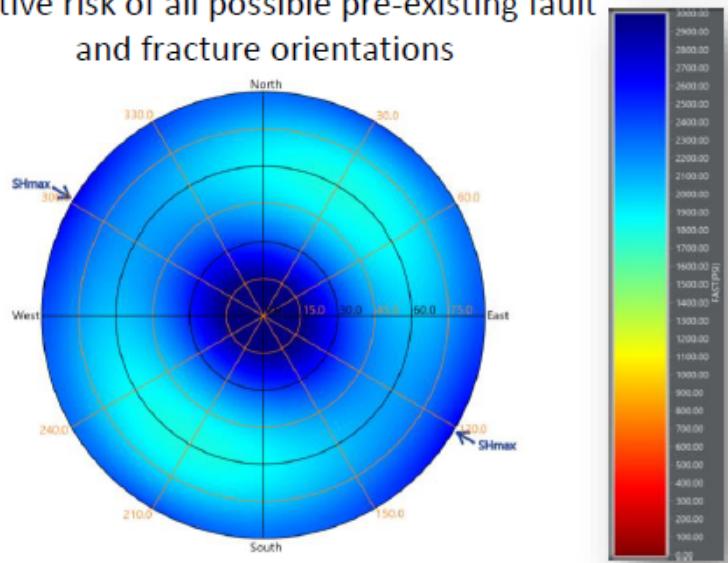
Mohr diagrams plot the corresponding pore pressure & stress conditions



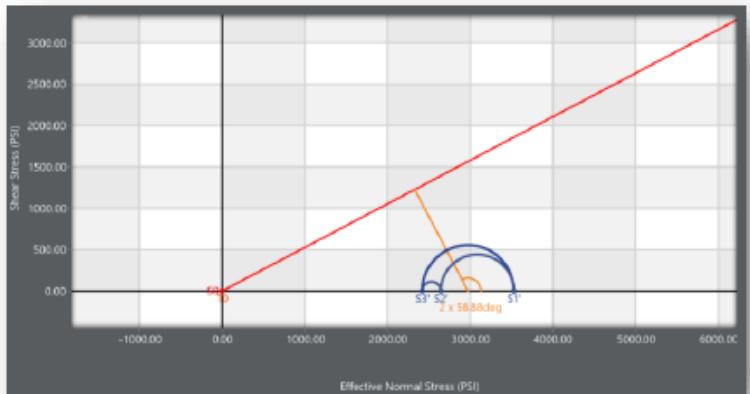


Mid Case React Lower Cris I Shale

Relative risk of all possible pre-existing fault and fracture orientations



Mohr diagram illustrates the corresponding pore pressure, stress and strength conditions

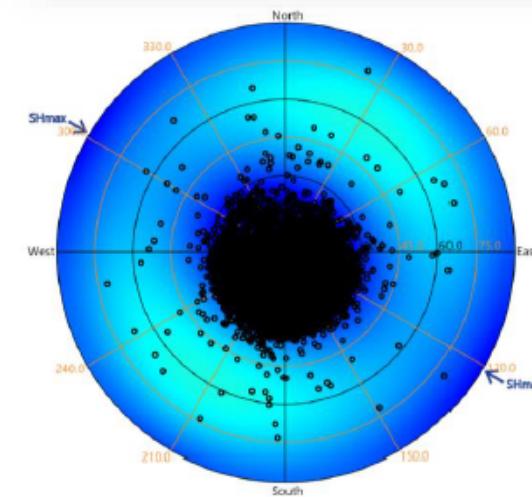
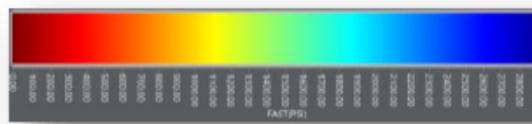
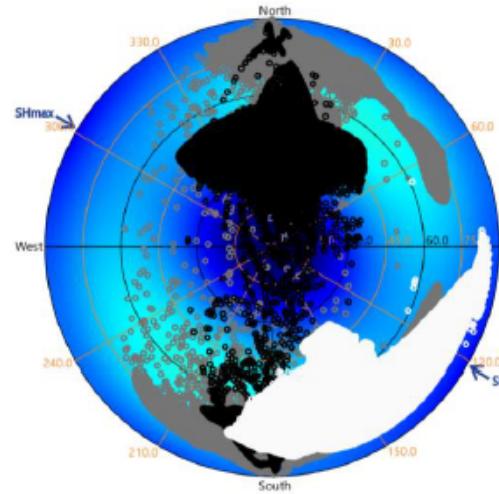


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Fault populations superimposed as poles to planes over reactivation risk

- Northern
- Central
- Southern

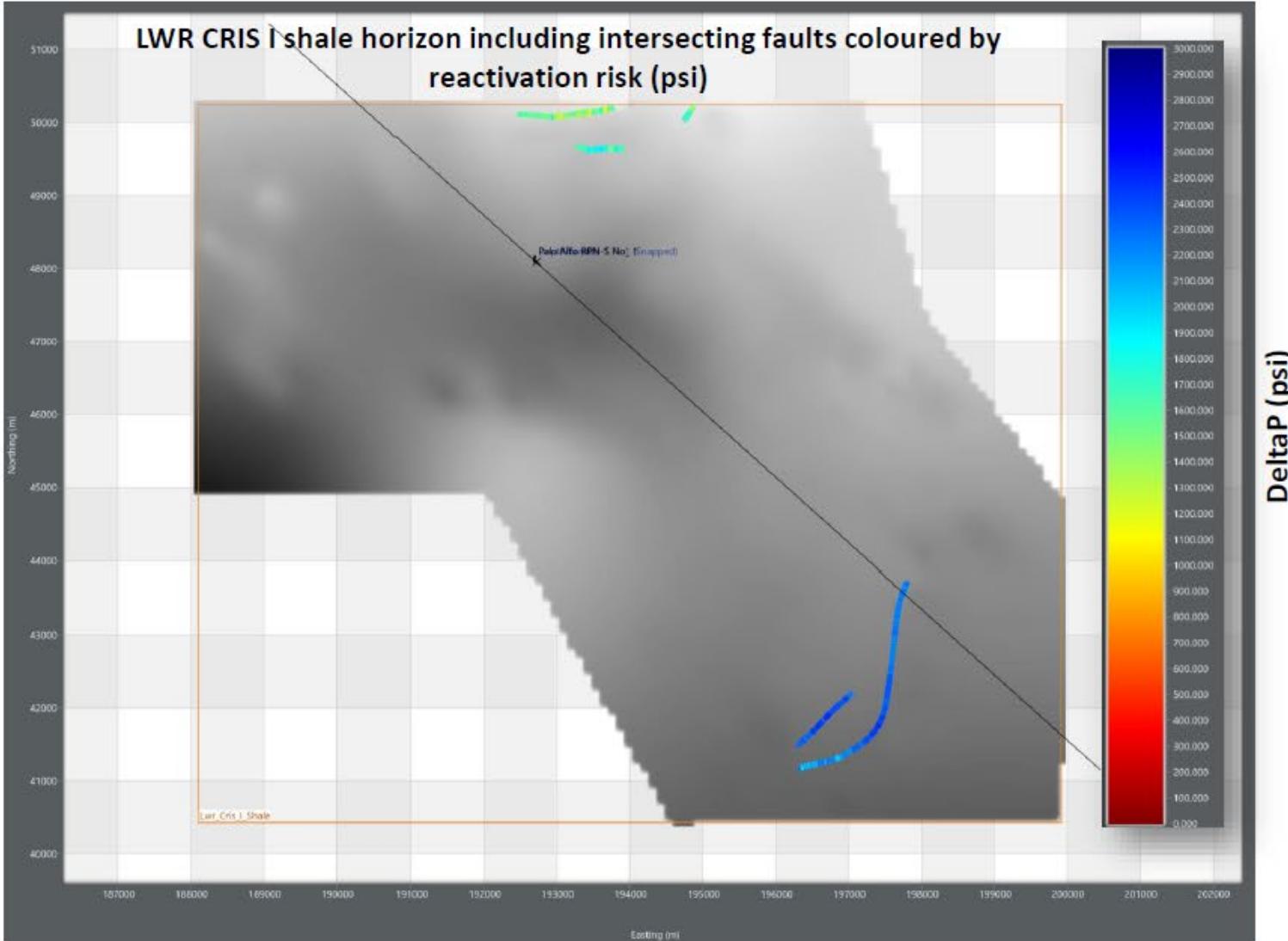
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Mid Case: LWR CRIS I Shale

- Map illustrating faults intersecting the LWR CRIS I **Shale** horizon coloured by reactivation risk (pressure change required to initiate failure) at this intersection.
- Effective stresses are mapped to all faults and the pressure change required to activate the specific orientation of the fault across each triangulated surface is calculated.
- Fault cohesion conservatively assumed to be 0 psi and utilising friction angle equivalent to intact rock at this depth.
- Prediction suggests faults will reactivate with a pressure change exceeding approx. 1900 psi in the southeast and in excess of 1100 psi in the north.

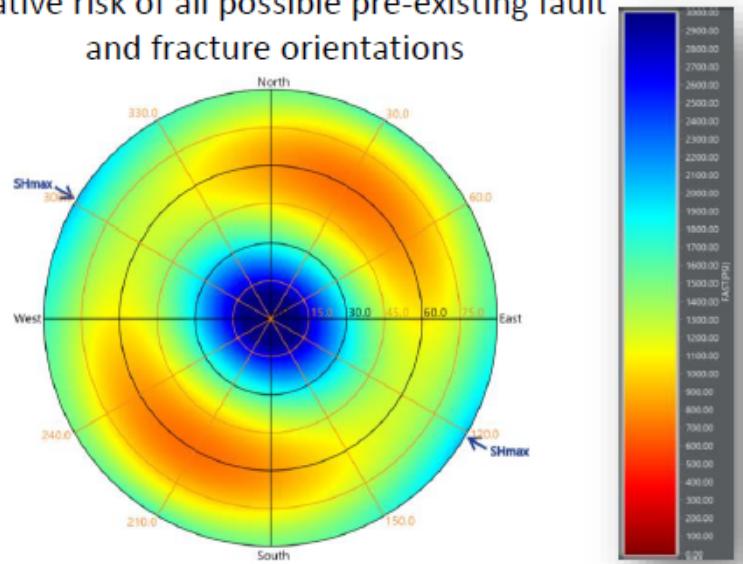
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Mid Case React Lower Cris I Sand

Relative risk of all possible pre-existing fault and fracture orientations



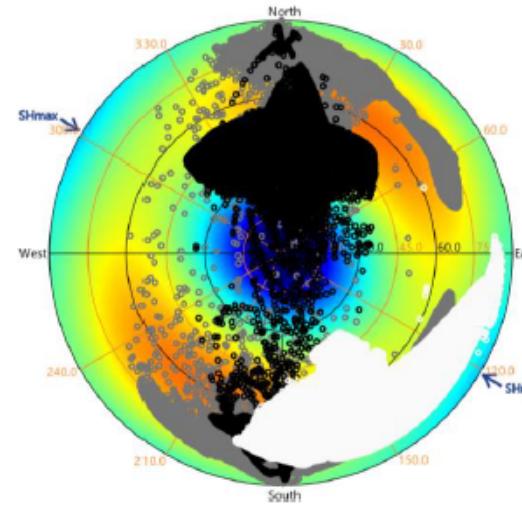
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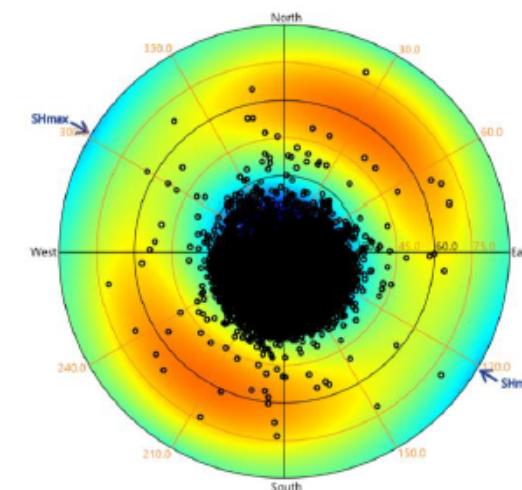
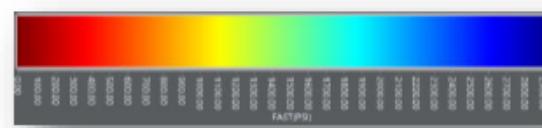


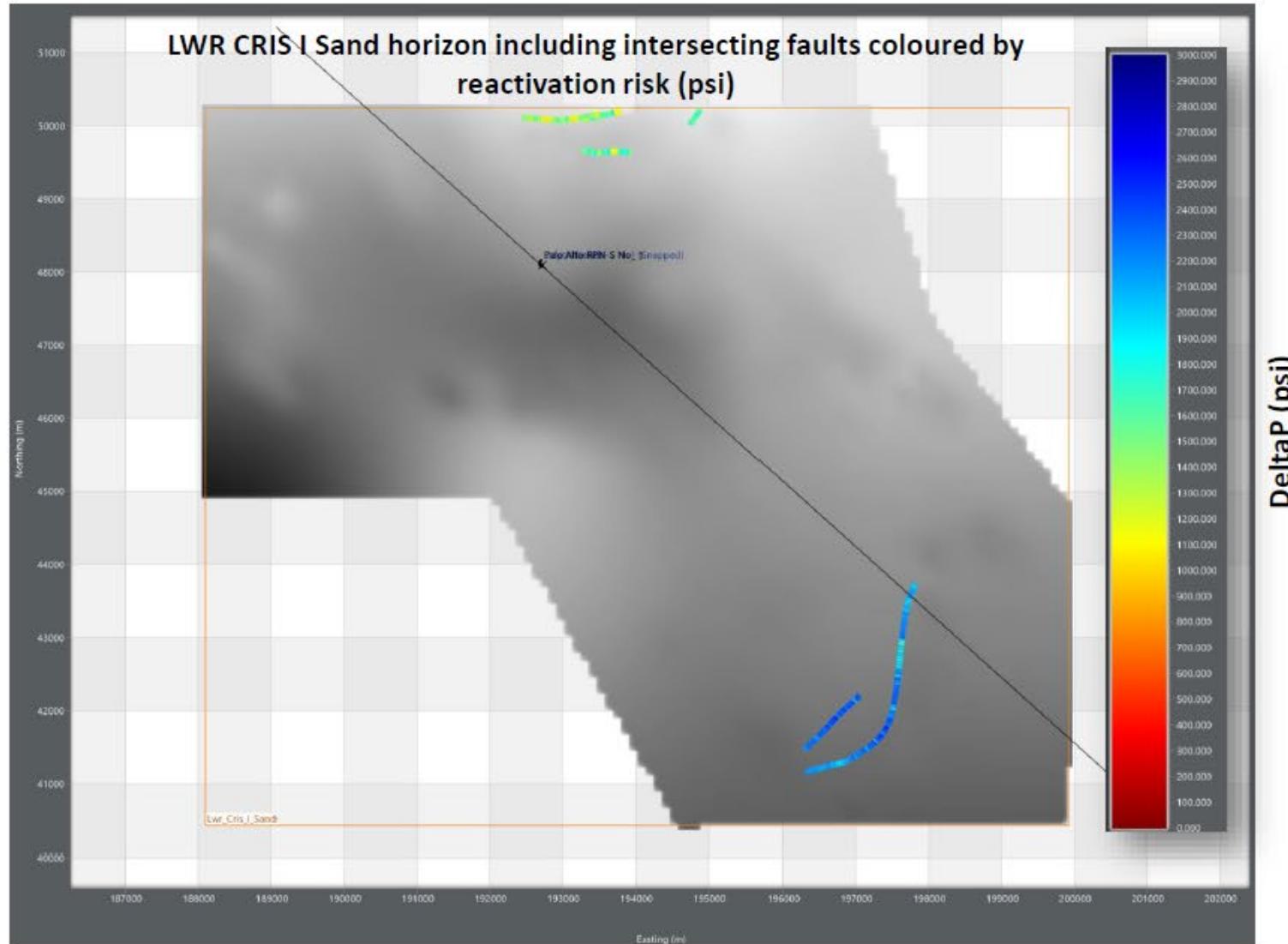
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Mid Case : LWR CRIS I Sand

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- Effective stresses are mapped to all faults and the pressure change required to activate the specific orientation of the fault across each triangulated surface is calculated.
- Fault cohesion conservatively assumed to be 0 psi and utilising friction angle equivalent to intact rock at this depth.
- Prediction suggests steep faults in the southeast will reactivate with a pressure change exceeding approx. 1600 psi.
- Faults are not critically oriented at this horizon under these conditions.

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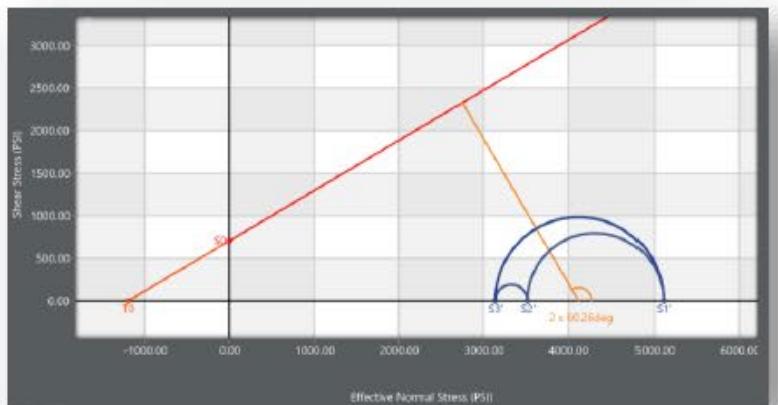
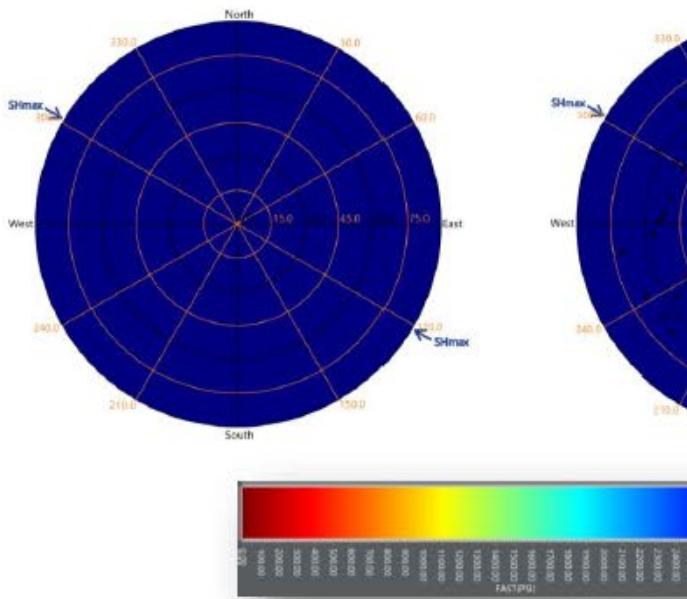
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Deep Case Camerina

**Shale: 10525 ft
Sand: 10800 ft**

Deep Case Intact Rock

Camerina Shale (10525 ft)

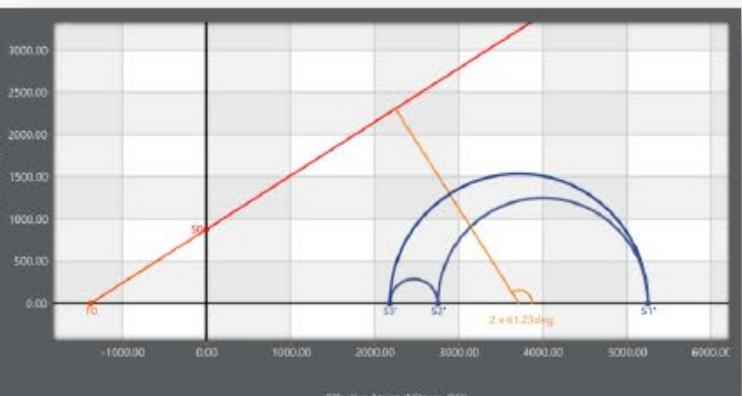
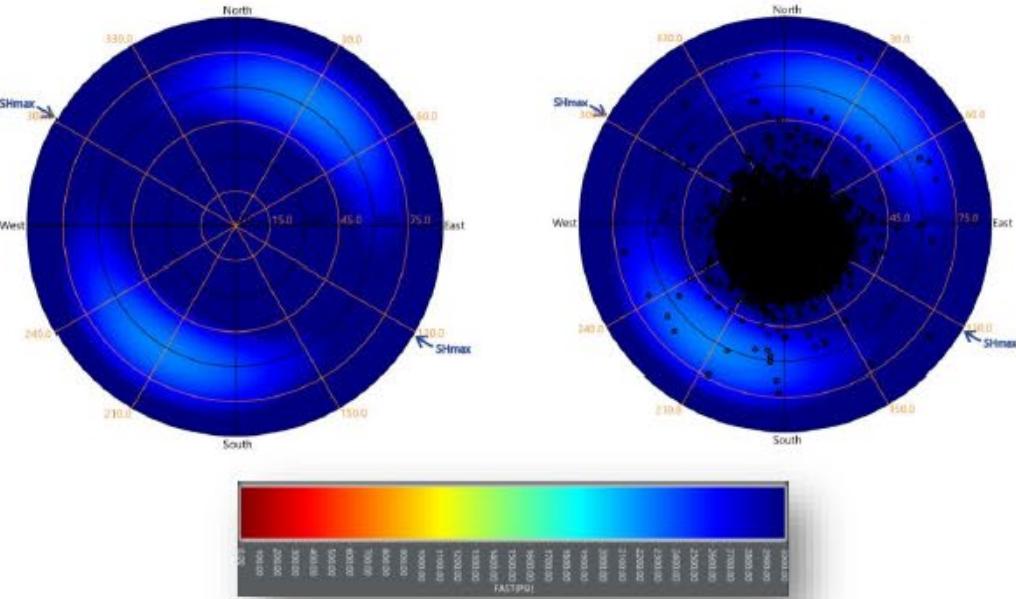


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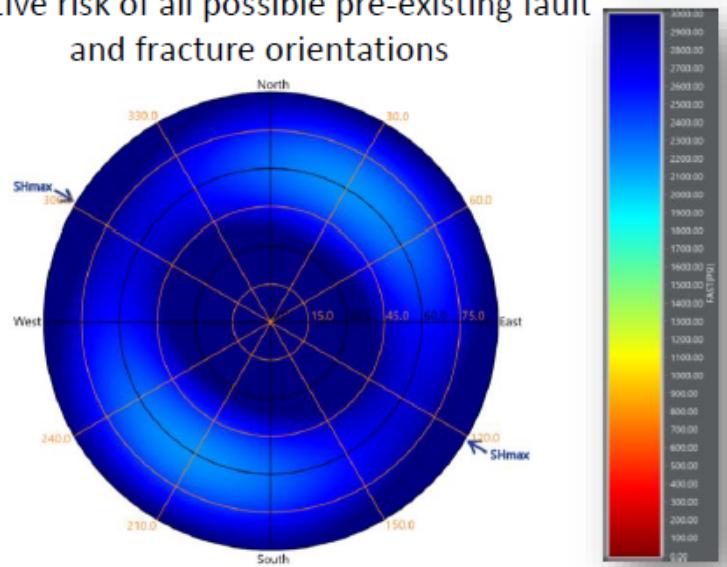
Camerina Sand (10800 ft)



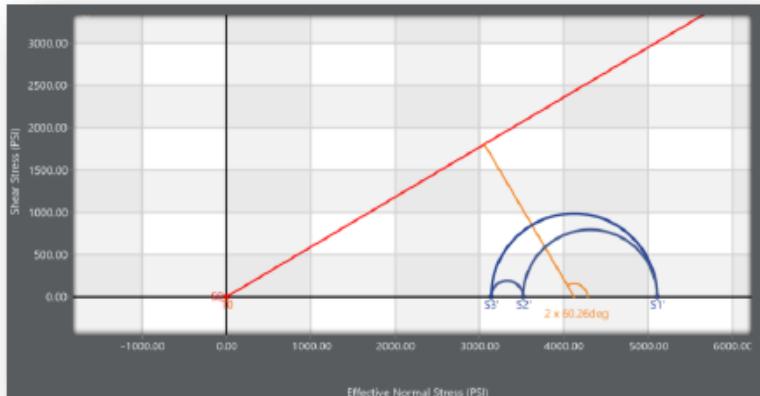


Deep Case React Camerina Shale

Relative risk of all possible pre-existing fault and fracture orientations



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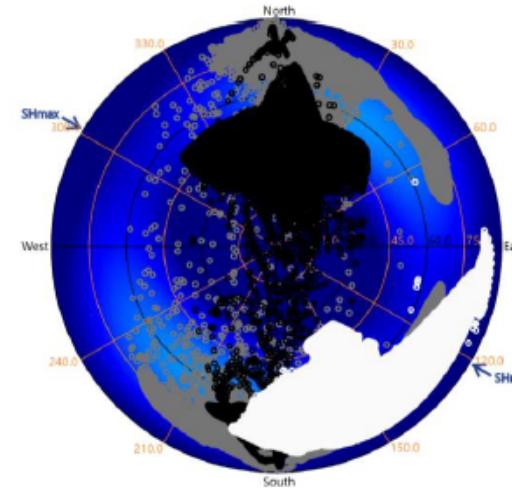


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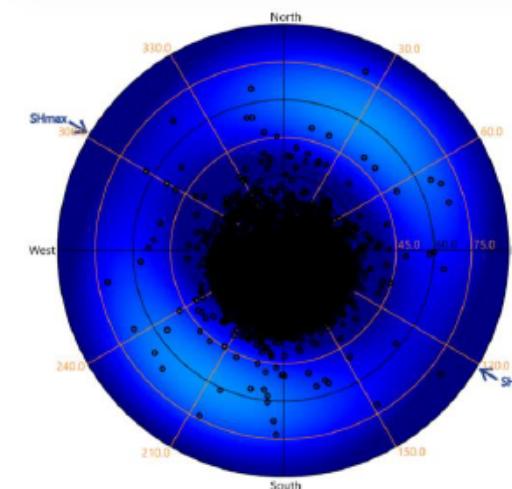


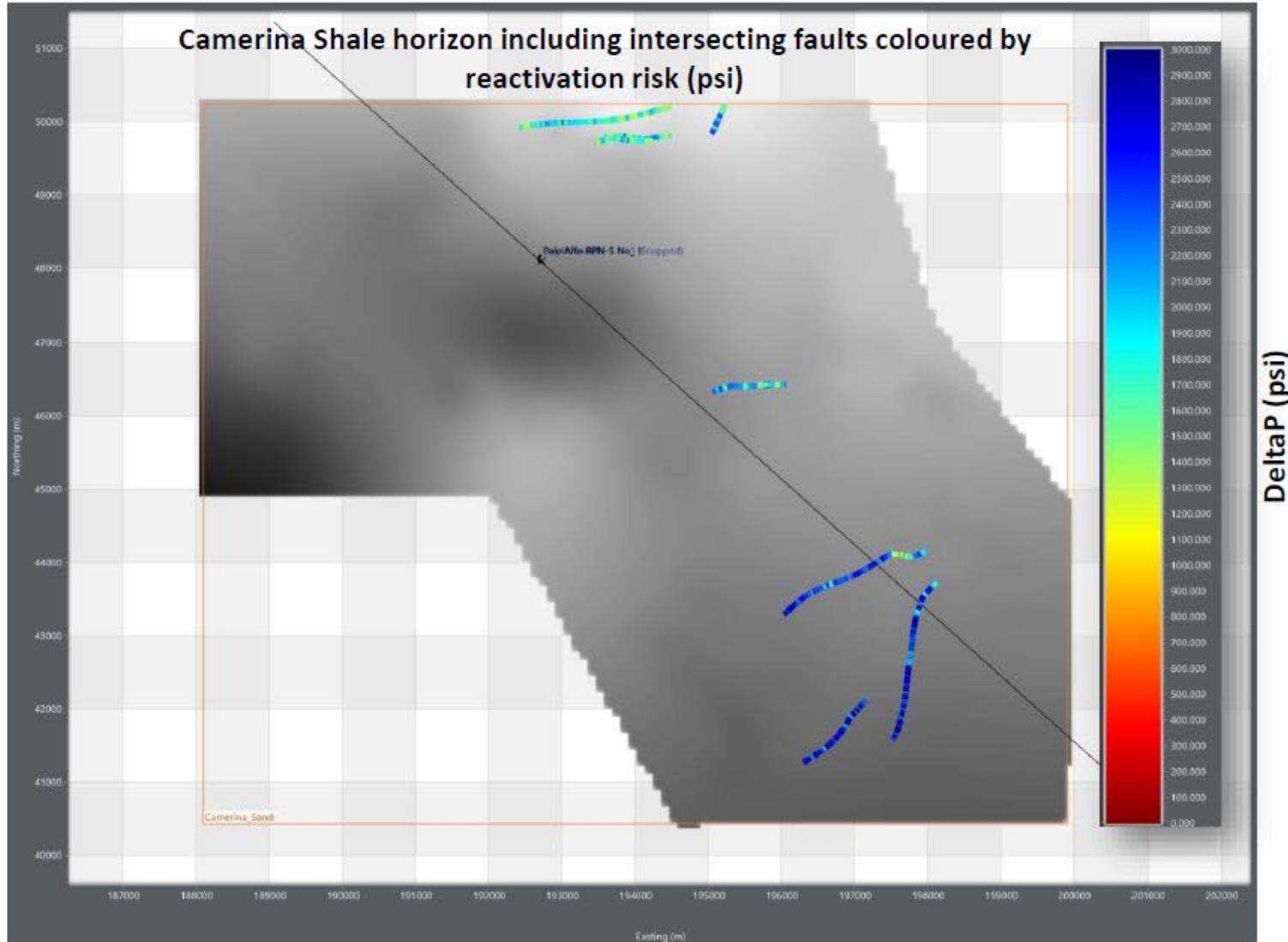
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Deep Case: Camerina Shale

- Map illustrating faults intersecting the Camerina **Shale** horizon coloured by reactivation risk (pressure change required to initiate failure) at this intersection.
- Effective stresses are mapped to all faults and the pressure change required to activate the specific orientation of the fault across each triangulated surface is calculated.
- Fault cohesion conservatively assumed to be 0 psi and utilising friction angle equivalent to intact rock at this depth.
- Prediction suggests NW-SE oriented faults reactivate with a pressure change exceeding approx. 1900 psi.
- East-west oriented faults require in excess of 1100 psi to activate.

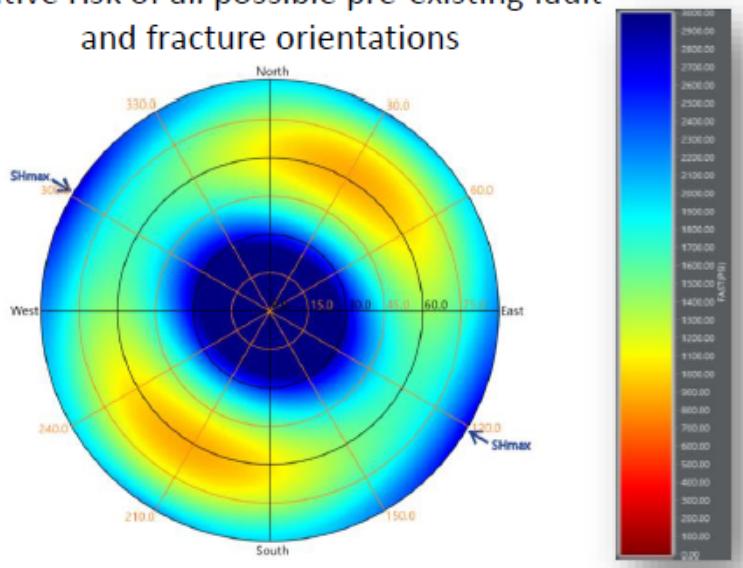
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Deep Case React Camerina Sand

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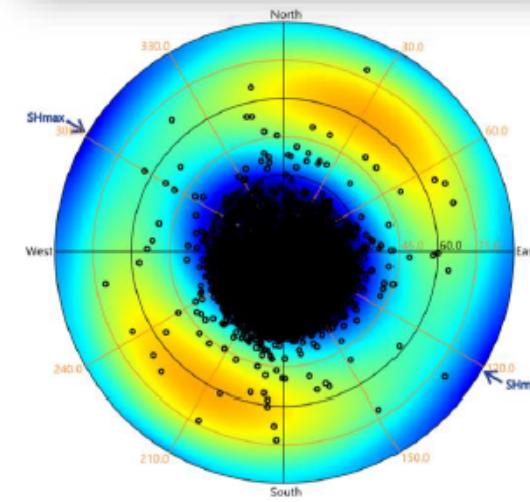
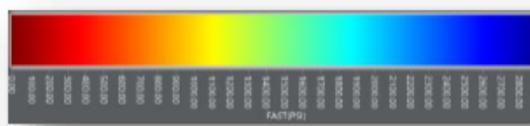
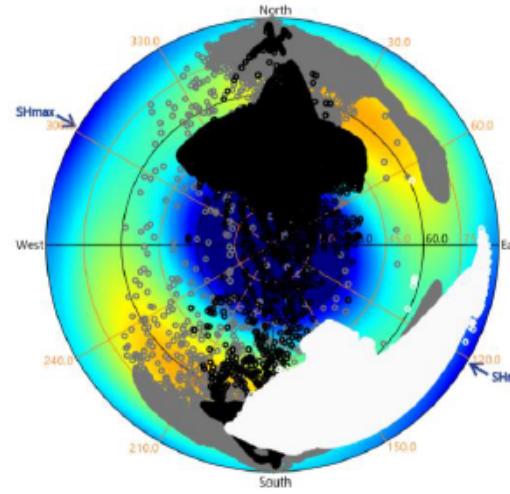
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Fault populations superimposed as poles to planes over reactivation risk

- Northern
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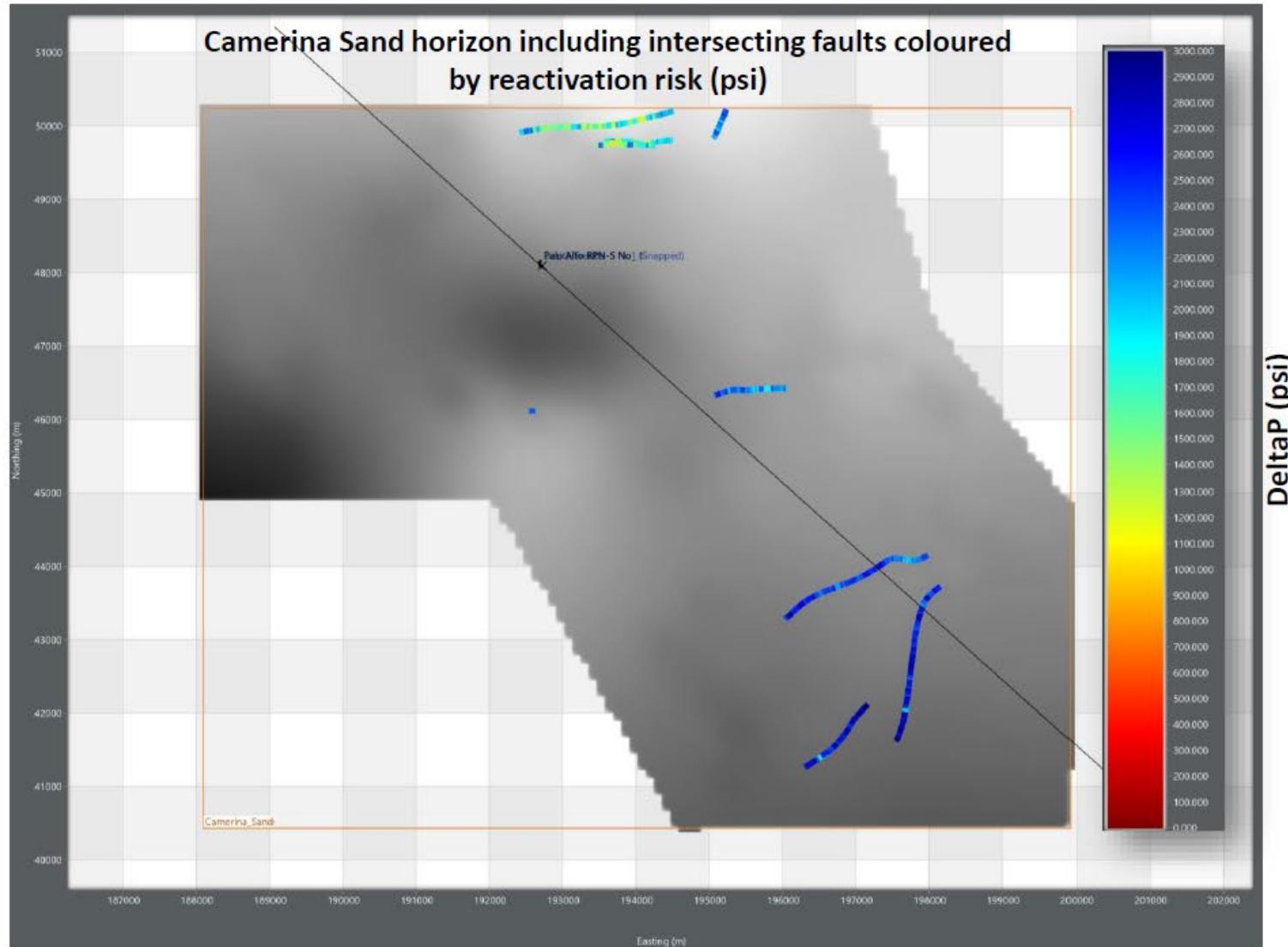
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Deep Case: Camerina Sand

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- Effective stresses are mapped to all faults and the pressure change required to activate the specific orientation of the fault across each triangulated surface is calculated.
- Fault cohesion conservatively assumed to be 0 psi and utilising friction angle equivalent to intact rock at this depth.
- Prediction suggests steep faults in the southeast will reactivate with a pressure change exceeding approx. 2400 psi.
- Segments of the east-west faults in the north are critically stressed with a pressure change exceeding 1100 psi.

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Base Injection: Marg A Shale

- Map illustrating faults intersecting the Marg A **Shale** horizon coloured by reactivation risk (pressure change required to initiate failure) at this intersection.
- Effective stresses are mapped to all faults and the pressure change required to activate the specific orientation of the fault across each triangulated surface is calculated.
- Fault cohesion conservatively assumed to be 0 psi and utilising friction angle equivalent to intact rock at this depth.
- Prediction suggests NW-SE oriented faults reactivate with a pressure change exceeding approx. 1900 psi.
- East-west oriented faults require in excess of 1100 psi to activate.

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