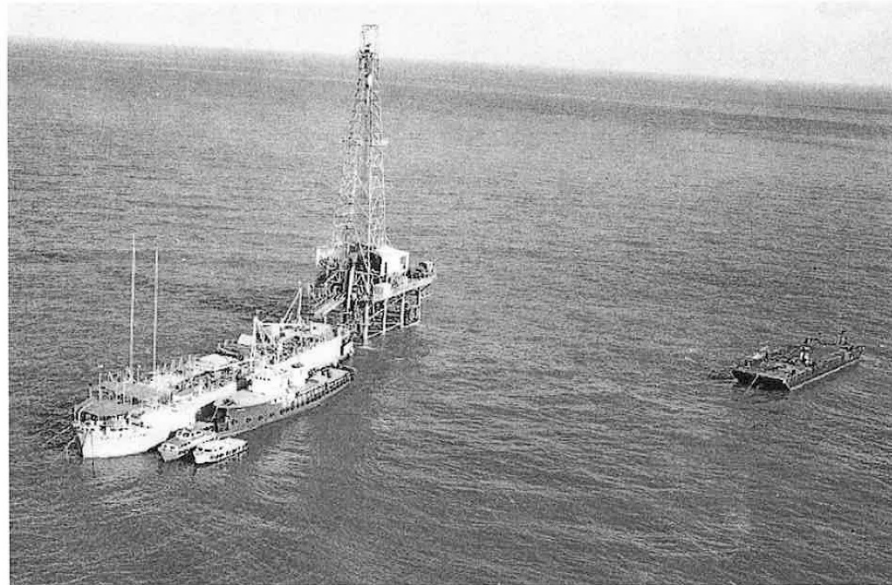


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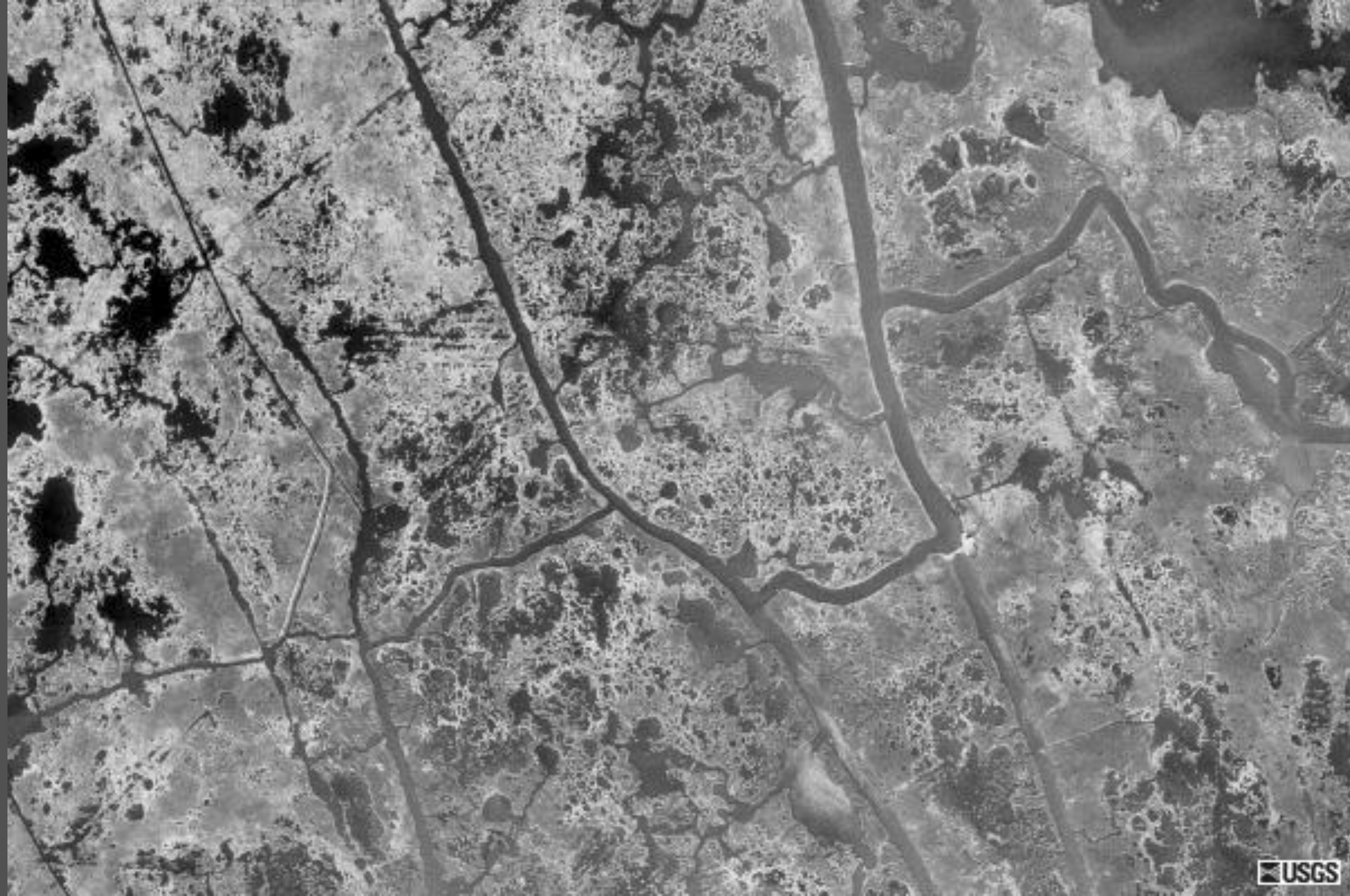


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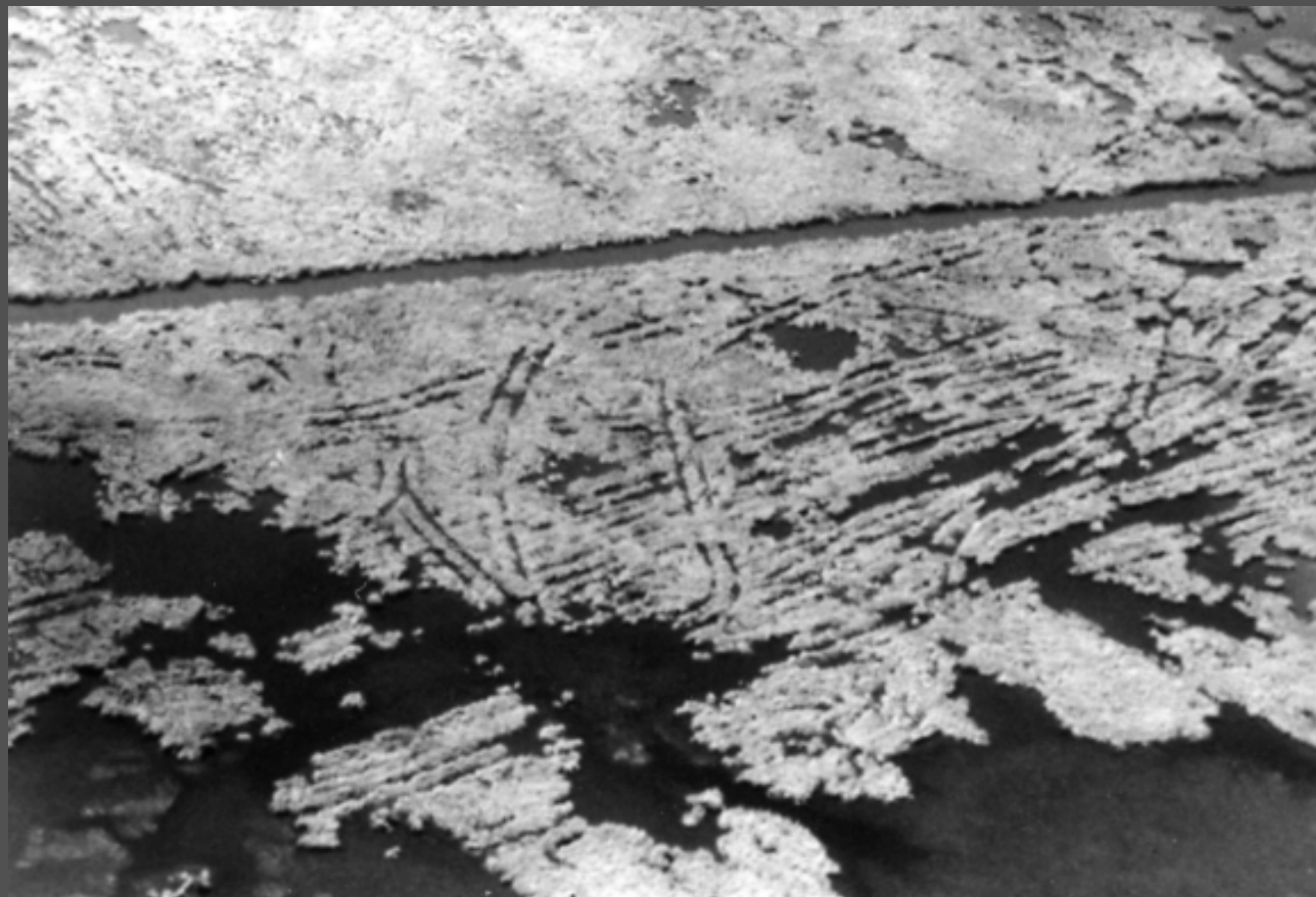






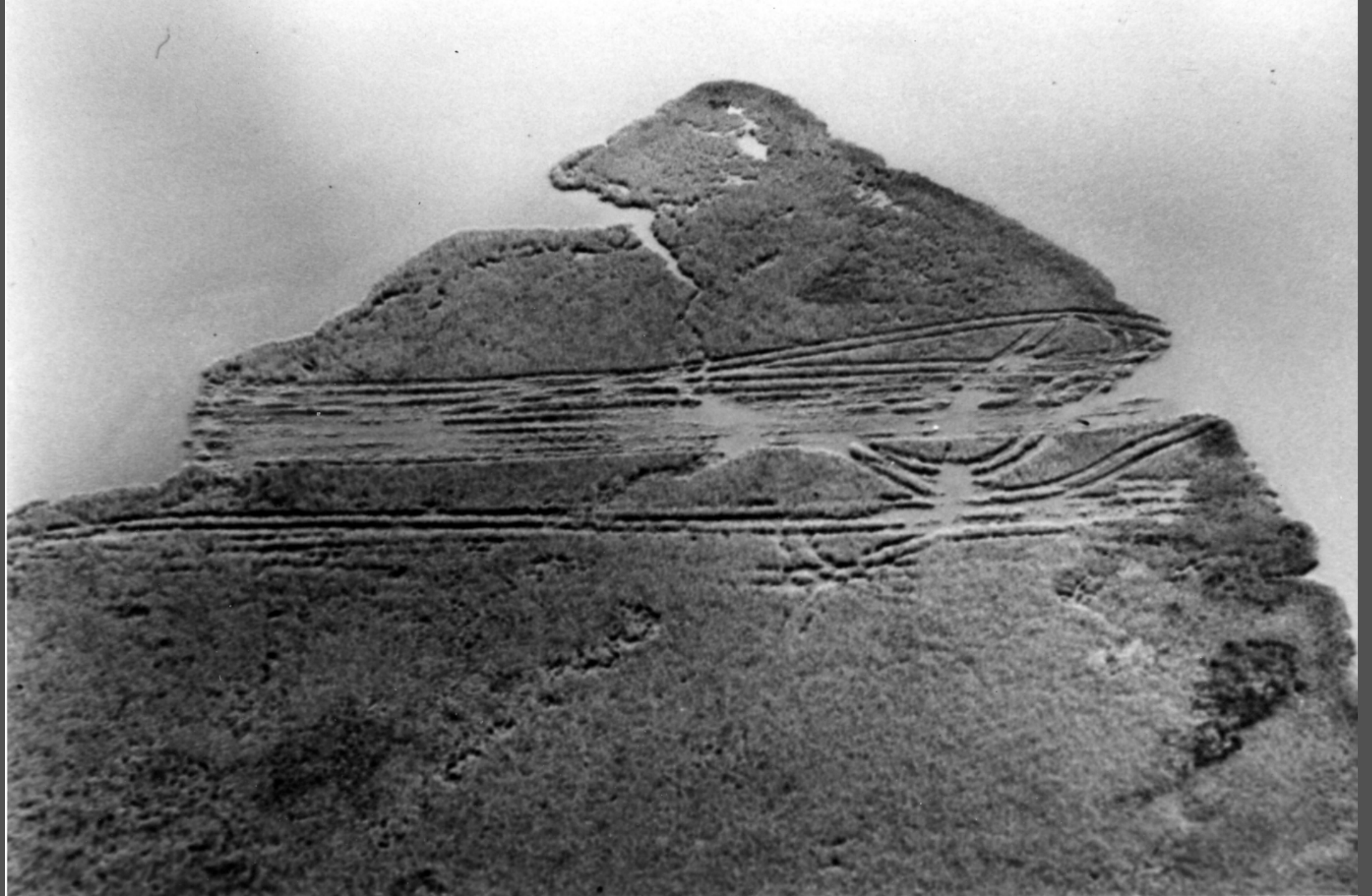






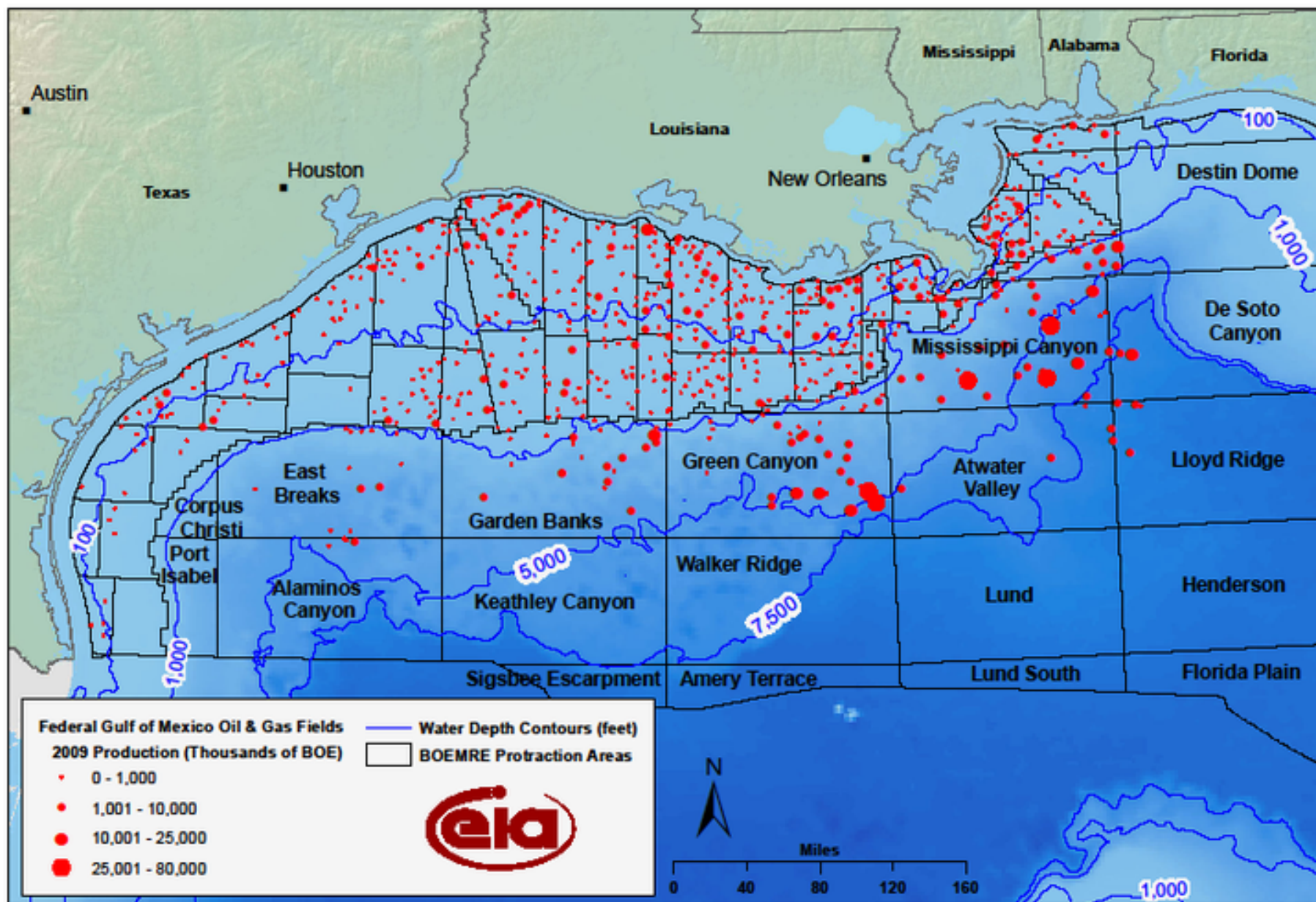




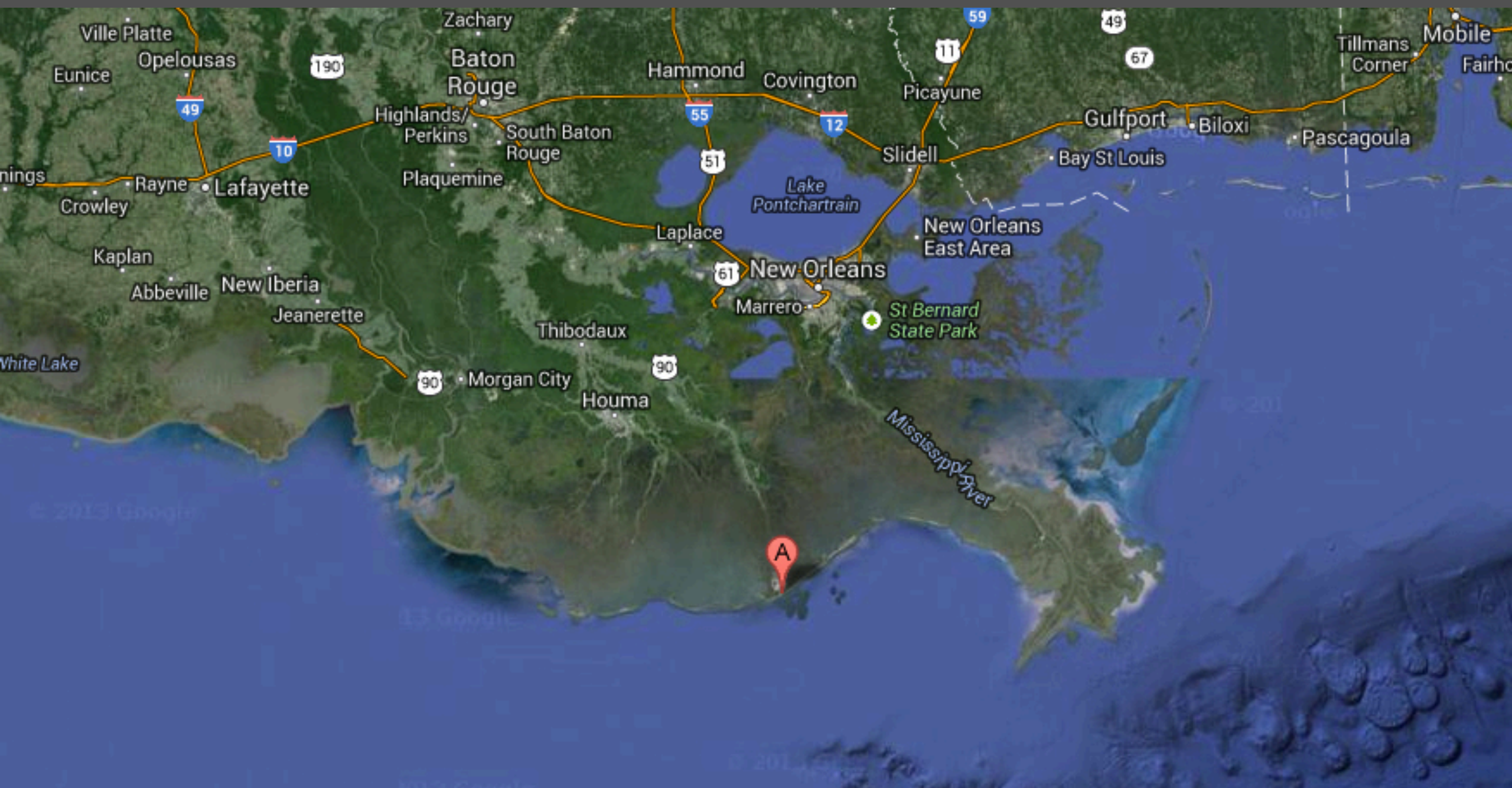




Gulf of Mexico: Producing Oil & Gas Fields



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Updated: November 4, 2010



































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A few hundred commercial fishermen threaten the survival of Texas redfish and speckled trout.

If you hurry you can still catch a few large, copper-colored redfish and sleek, silvery speckled trout in the green, temperate waters of Texas coastal bays.

But not for long. Now if a few hundred greedy commercial fishermen are allowed to continue netting, legally or otherwise, these once prolific Texas sportfish.

It's happening right here, right now.

There was a time when Alaska's streams were so thick with salmon you could almost walk across their backs from one side to the other. Today, the salmon run has declined from a ton now to a tin can.

Florida realized too late the devastating effect of callous commercial harvesting; today the once formidable snook is virtually extinct in Florida's once teeming coastal waters.

Sadly, according to statistics recently released by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, Texas redfish and speckled trout seem doomed to a similar fate. The decline was predicted in 1975. Since then, net redfish and speckled trout have declined by 60 percent.

Save the fish!

There are bills before the Texas Legislature right now that would reclassify redfish and speckled trout as "gamefish," thereby prohibiting the sale of the fish on the commercial food-fish market. Under Senate Bill 139 and House Bill 1000, both could still be fished for recreational purposes.

Pros, or cons?

There are less than 400 full-time professional fishermen in the state. They argue that they contribute \$3 million a year to the Texas economy.

There are more than one million sportfishermen in Texas, whose economic contribution amounts to well over \$100 million.

The commercial fishermen say they are "the farmers of the sea," farmers? Farmers replenish the soil. Commercial fishermen are thieves, stripping without replenishing this precious natural resource from Texas waters.

The real question, then, is who are these few hundred commercial fishermen up in arms about Senate Bill 139 and House Bill 1000, bills that will protect the two species that are the backbone of the recreational fishing industry along the Texas coast? Redfish and speckled trout represent only a small fraction, less than 2 percent, of the commercial fishing industry. The truth is, if redfish and trout were removed from the commercial fishing market, the commercial industry would hardly notice the difference.

"DADDY, WHAT'S A REDFISH?"



Food for thought.

A small number of Texas fine restaurants serve the overabundant majority of all Texas redfish and speckled trout. Many of their customers confuse redfish with red snapper, an equally delicious and far more abundant species.

Many of us, too, identify the speckled trout with the cold water trout of mountain streams. Yet the speck isn't a trout at all. It's a spotted weakfish. And indeed, since Texas has no truth-in-menu law, some restaurants advertise fresh sea trout when in fact they serve once-frozen haddock or cod from New England.

True, Senate Bill 139 and House Bill 1000 would prohibit restaurants from serving redfish or speckled trout, and hence protect the wholesale slaughter of the species. But you can still enjoy gumbo, fried salted shrimp, oysters Rockefeller, red snapper abundance, seared garfish, crab, fillet of flounder, and many other seafood delicacies at your favorite restaurant.

You can help.

This ad was paid for by the Gulf Coast Conservation Association, a growing group of concerned Texans whose goal is to conserve and replenish our endangered sport and gamefish, much the same as Ducks Unlimited is successfully conserving and replenishing North America's once endangered waterfowl.

But little is running out—far Senate Bill 139, House Bill 1000, and for this year Texas resumes. If you agree that Texas redfish and speckled trout are worth saving,

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1. Write your senator or representative. All senators have the same office box, P.O. Box 12008, Austin, Texas 78711. In a letter to your state representative, address your letter to him or P.O. Box 2910, Austin, Texas 78711.
2. Sign and return your personal endorsement of Senate Bill 139 and House Bill 1000 before we will make your endorsement reaches your state legislators.

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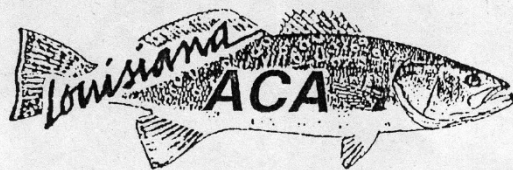




Slaughter in the Water

The Unseen Death in Inshore Netting

PLASTIC WALLS OF DEATH VERSUS REDFISH AND SPECKLED TROUT!



You Can Help Win This Fight!

Consider This:

In November 1994 the State of Florida is likely in a state-wide vote to ban gill nets from all coastal waters. Why? The damage done by commercial netters has almost eliminated certain fish species on the Florida coastline. It is not hard to realize the damage those gill netters will do in Louisiana. Yes, they'll be heading this way... unless we find a way to stop this intrusion.

Voodoo Economics?

At present there are 900 or so Louisiana gill netters, along with some 900 more from out of state. If just 1,000 of the total gill nets are in the water and catch 100 pounds of speckled trout per day, it would take just 10 days to reach the limit set by the State of Louisiana. So who's counting? No one, really. That's why the season is open for seven or eight months. So how many pounds are being caught 8 million, 10 million, 15 million? No one knows. It's time to stop the slaughter!

Miles of Nets Seized

On Sunday, July 17, *The New Orleans Times-Picayune* reported that Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries agents seized 13,500 feet (over 2 miles) of illegal gill nets in June. Lord help us when the season officially opens in September.

Now You Can Help Win This Fight!

Just \$20.00 annual membership in the Louisiana Association of Coastal Anglers will help in the fight to Ban Gill Nets. That \$20.00 will also include a 1 year subscription to this fine magazine: *The Louisiana Sportsman*. It's up to you -- join today!

Meetings In Your Area:

In the greater NEW ORLEANS area, meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at *Legends* on North Hullen in Metairie. In BATON ROUGE, a meeting will be held at *The Chinese Inn* on Airline Highway on August 30th. For information on these and other meetings in your area, call (504) 924-4766.



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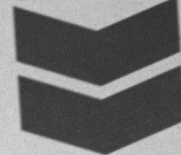
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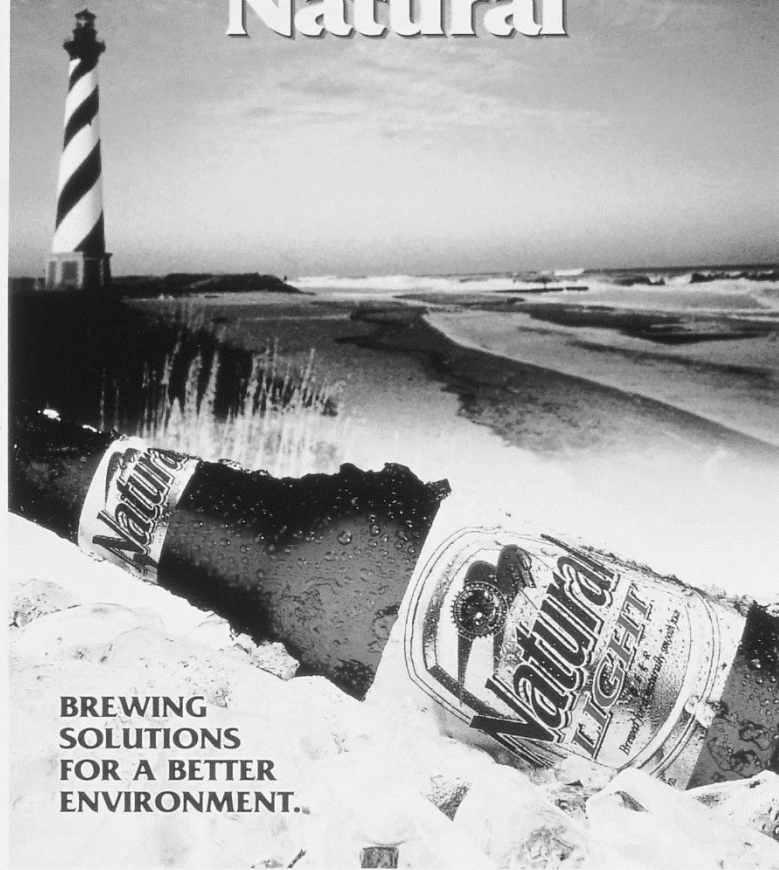
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 (Since Commercial Fishermen were Excluded from the Fishery)
 1989–2004*

YEAR	POUNDS	NUMBER OF FISH
1989	4,379,774	1,052,081
1990	3,014,515	616,604
1991	3,999,416	872,713
1992	5,833,875	1,767,938
1993	7,424,691	1,913,832
1994	5,913,250	1,382,072
1995	10,046,848	2,449,022
1996	9,358,599	2,082,396
1997	9,481,006	1,830,537
1998	6,333,248	1,427,151
1999	7,266,304	1,763,495
2000	11,693,763	2,774,046
2001	10,526,594	2,652,282
2002	9,128,555	2,041,827
2003	10,245,642	2,143,424
2004	11,513,227	2,418,339
TOTAL:	126,159,277 POUNDS	29,187,759 FISH

**Commercial fishing in the state ended on January 15, 1989.*