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TRANSVERSE MERCATOR PROJECTION

1986 MAGNETIC DECLINATION FOR CENTER OF THIS SHEET IS 10°2' EAST. MEAN ANNUAL CHANGE IS 4'42" WESTWARD.

CONTOUR INTERVAL = 2 MILLIGALS

BOUGUER GRAVITY ATLAS OF TEXAS, DALHART SHEET

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TEXAS GRAVITY DATA BASE AND REDUCTION PARAMETERS

The data base of gravity readings that made the Texas gravity mapping project possible is the result of the efforts of many individuals and groups; ultimately it will contain more than 50,000 readings. Major sources of data for each sheet are indicated in the explanation. However, a particular note of thanks is due to Mr. and Mrs. Hart Brown because the regional data they so generously provided are the foundation of this project. Without these data, the mapping and compilation required would have been impossible. Data in the Texas gravity data base are carefully edited and maintained in a standard format and are tied to a common gravity datum (IGSN-71; Morelli, 1976). Sea level was used as an elevation datum, and a density of 2.67 g/cm3 was used in the Bouguer correction. For stations west of 103°W longitude, outer-zone terrain corrections were calculated for zones extending from 0.89 km to 167 km from each station (Hammer, 1939). These calculations employed a terrain correction program written by Plouff (1977) and a set of averaged elevations on a grid interval of 30 seconds of latitude and longitude. Thus, the data base is internally consistent, and the resulting maps all tie together at common boundaries. These maps were constructed by gridding the data using the minimum curvature technique (Briggs, 1974) and were contoured by using a modified version of the Surface II graphics system (Sampson, 1978).

All gravity data were reduced to Bouguer anomaly values using the following formulas:

 $BA = G_{OBS} - G_{TH} + C_{FA} + (C_{BOUG} + C_{TER} + C_{CURV})\rho'$

BA = Bouguer anomaly

 $\rho'=$ Ratio of reduction density to the standard value of 2.67 g/cm³

 $G_{\text{OBS}} = \text{Observed gravity, in milligals, relative to the IGSN-71 gravity datum (Morelli,$ $G_{TH}=$ Theoretical gravity on the surface (sea level) of the 1967 reference spheroid. = 978031.843 + σ (15727.66 + σ (-15762.337 + σ (6083.534 + σ (-1089.748 + σ

(69.43))))), σ = 0.0001 ϕ^2 , ϕ = latitude in degrees (International Association of Geodesy, 1967; see Morelli, 1976)

 $\begin{array}{l} {\rm C_{FA}} = \ {\rm Free\ air\ correction\ for\ the\ elevation\ of\ the\ station\ relative\ to\ sea\ level.} \\ = \ h\ (0.30877 + \sigma\ (-0.0013398 + \sigma\ (0.0013553 + \sigma\ (-0.0005329 + \sigma\ (0.0000911)))) \\ - \ h\ (0.072 \times 10^{-6})), \end{array}$ h = elevation of station in meters

 $C_{ extsf{BOUG}} = extsf{Bouguer}$ correction for rock mass positioned between the station and sea level. Correction is calculated from the formula for the attraction of an infinite horizontal slab of thickness h and density ho to obtain the equation $C_{ exttt{BOUG}} =$

 $C_{\text{CURV}} = Curvature$ correction, a modification of the Bouguer slab approximation that corrects for the curvature of the Earth's surface. = -h $(1.4639108 \times 10^{-3} + h (-3.532715 \times 10^{-7} + h (4.449648 \times 10^{14})))$

 $C_{\text{TER}} = Correction for local topography$