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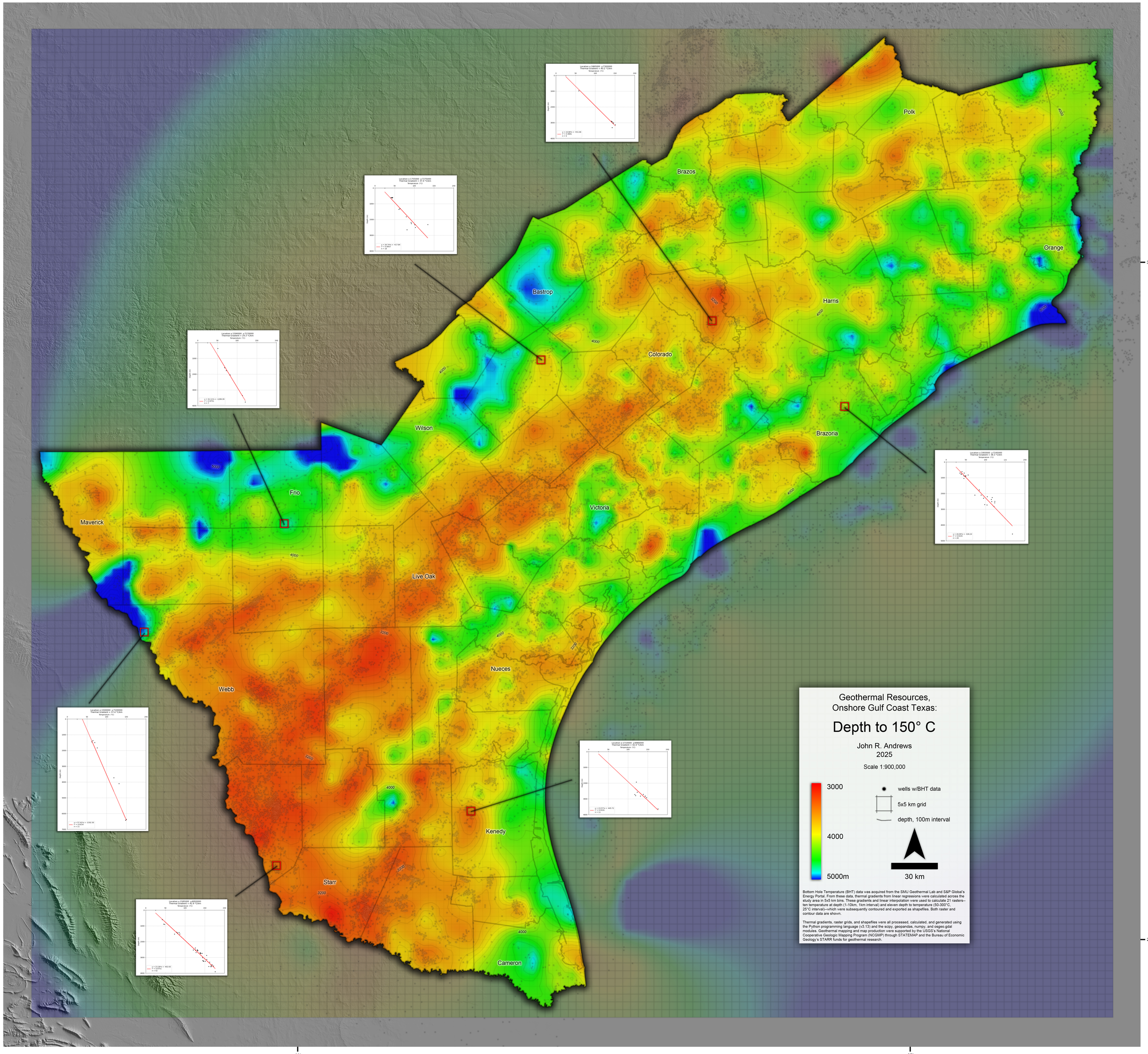

Geothermal Resources, Onshore Gulf Coast Texas:

Depth to 150° C

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Scale 1:900,000

3000
4000
5000m

wells w/BHT data
5x5 km grid
depth, 100m interval

30 km

Bottom Hole Temperature (BHT) data was acquired from the SMU Geothermal Lab and S&P Global's Energy Portal. From these data, thermal gradients from linear regressions were calculated across the study area in 5x5 km bins. These gradients and linear interpolation were used to calculate 21 rasters--ten temperature at depth (1-10km, 1km interval) and eleven depth to temperature (50-300°C, 25°C interval)--which were subsequently contoured and exported as shapefiles. Both raster and contour data are shown.

Thermal gradients, raster grids, and shapefiles were all processed, calculated, and generated using the Python programming language (v3.13) and the scipy, geopandas, numpy, and osgeo.gdal modules. Geothermal mapping and map production were supported by the USGS's National Cooperative Geologic Mapping Program (NCGMP) through STATEMAP and the Bureau of Economic Geology's STARR funds for geothermal research.

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