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Danville Coal Elevation LASALLE County

County Coal Map Series

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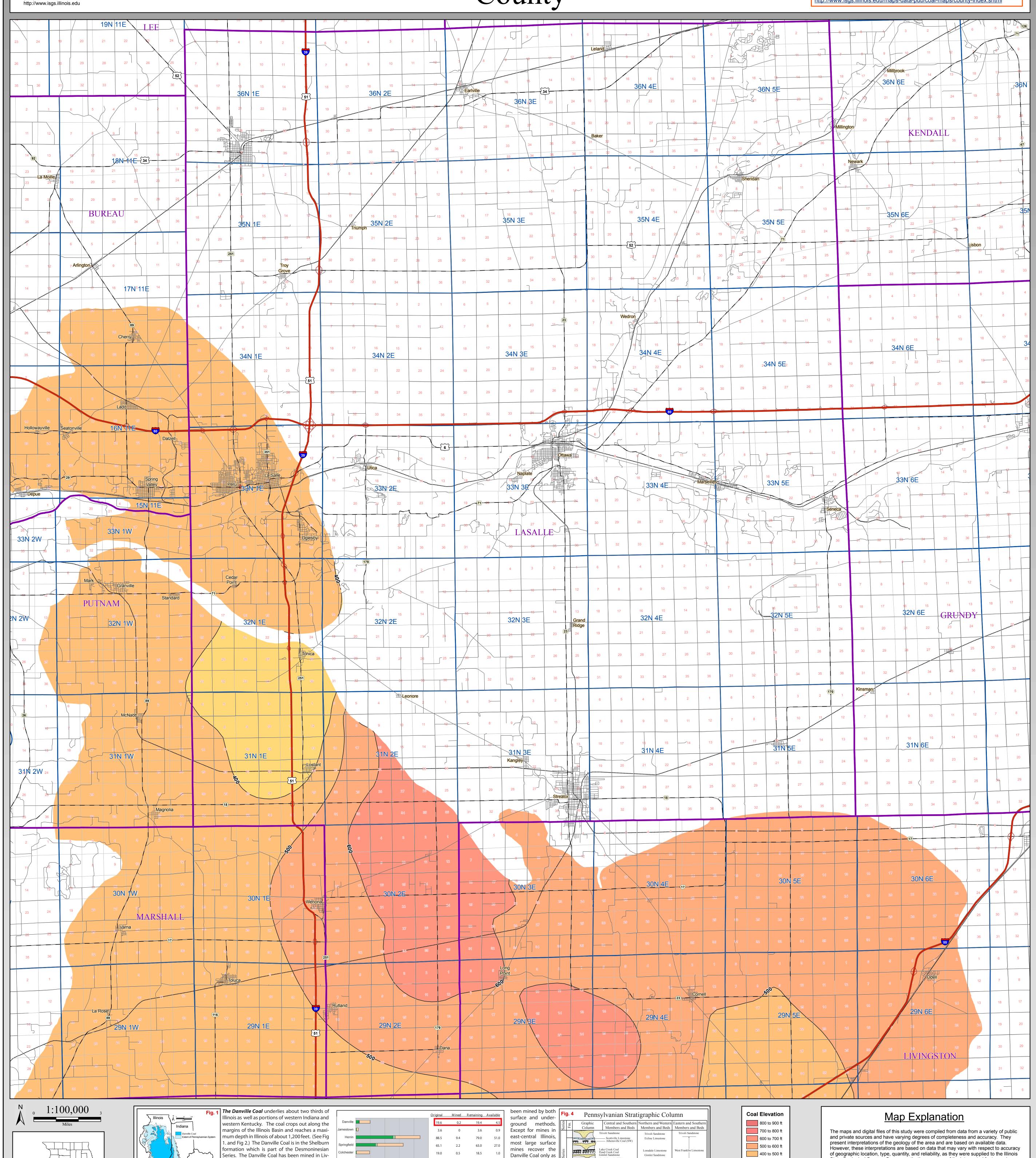
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conceptual model of the geology of the area on which to base further work.

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basis of the information presented here.



Rock Branch (SW)/ DeGraff (S) Coal

Bankston Fork Limeston

Anvil Rock Sandstone

the spoil pile with other rock overburden. (Modified from ISGS Pub. IM 124, Korose, et al)

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- Christopher P. Korose, Colin G. Treworgy, Russell J. Jacobson, and Scott D. Elrick, 2002, Availabil-

ity of the Danville, Jamestown, Dekoven, Davis, and Seelyville Coals for mining in Selected Areas

Farmington Shale Danville Coal

Herrin Coal Spring Lake Coal Bed Big Creek Sandstone

part of their opera-

tion to remove over-

burden to mine the

underlying Herrin

Coal. In many cases,

the Danville seam

has been considered

to be too thin or too

tify recovery and was

simply discarded in

ingston, McLean, La Salle, and Marshall Counties

in addition to Vermilion County. In most of the

remainder of the state it is a thin coal, generally a

few inches to less than 3 feet thick. The Danville

relatively thick underclay. At

feet thick and occurs 20 feet

kins, 1968 - B95). (See Fig 4.)

The original resource of Dan-

Coal is generally overlain by the Farmington Shale Member of the Shelburn Formation,

but in places the immediate roof is 1-2 feet of black fissile shale. It is underlain by a

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■ Avail. w/ potential rest

county, the Danville Coal is 6 the surface land-use and geologic conditions related to mining of the deposit poor in quality to jus-

the type locality in Vermillion tons, are considered available for mining. (See Fig 3.) Available means that

above the Herrin Coal. (Hop-comparable to other coals currently being mined in the state. Of these re-

occur in thicknesses greater than 66 inches.

ville Coal in the State of Illi- The Danville Coal has been mined in Illinois for over 100 years, but only about

nois totals 19.6 billion tons, 1% of the original resource has been depleted. The most extensive area of

of which 0.2 billion have been mining was in east-central Illinois near the city of Danville where the coal has

mined. Approximately 23% of the original Danville Coal resources, 4.5 billion

(e.g. thickness, depth, in-place tonnage, stability of bedrock overburden) are

sources, 4 billion tons occur in coal 42 to 66 inches thick and 0.4 billion tons

221.1 12.5

208.6

300 to 400 ft

200 to 300 ft

100 to 200 ft

0 to 100 ft

-100 to 0 ft

-200 to -100 ft

-300 to -200 ft

-400 to -300 ft

-500 to -400 ft

-600 to -500 ft

-700 to -600 ft

-800 to -700 ft

-900 to -800 ft

<-900 ft