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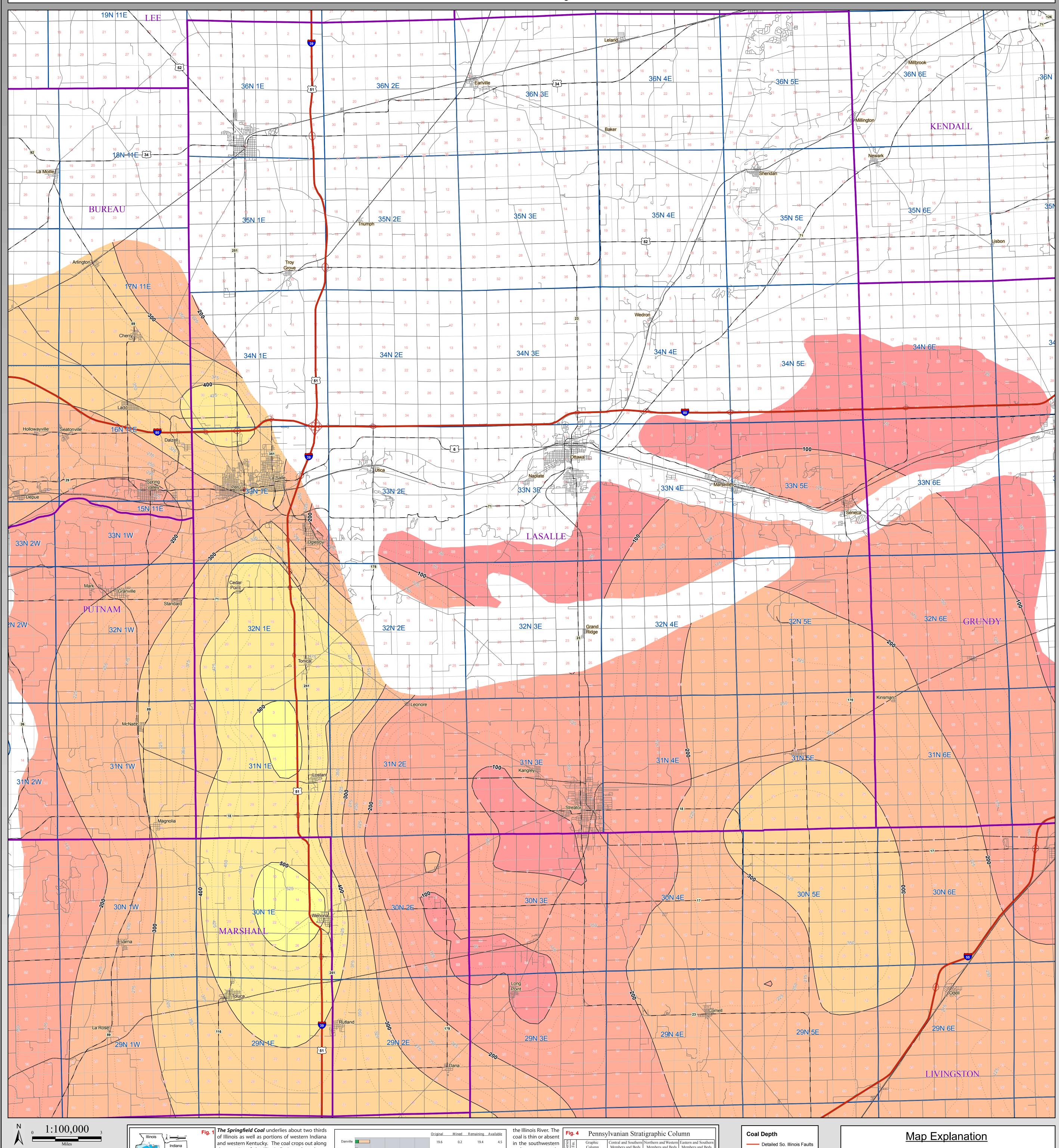
Springfield Coal Depth LASALLE County

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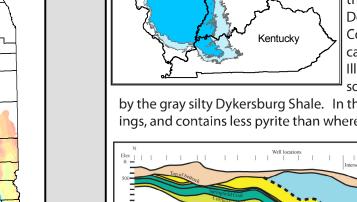
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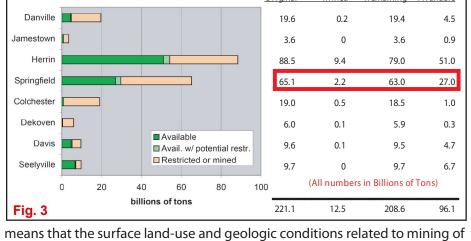


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the margins of the Illinois Basin and reaches a maximum depth in Illinois of about 1,300 feet. (See Fig 1. and Fig 2.) The Springfield Coal is in the Carbondale formation which is part of the Desmoninesian Series. (See Fig. 4) The Springfield Coal is normally overlain by a black fissile shale called the Turner Mine shale, but in southeastern Illinois, in a belt several miles wide that trends southwestward, the coal is thick and is overlain

by the gray silty Dykersburg Shale. In that belt the coal is commonly split by shale partings, and contains less pyrite than where it is overlain by the black fissile shale (Hopkins, 1968 - B95). (See Fig 4.) tons, of which 2.2 billion have



the deposit (e.g. thickness, depth, in-place tonnage, stability of bedrock over-The original resource of burden) are comparable to other coals currently being mined in the state. Of Springfield Coal in the State these resources, 23 billion tons occur in coal 42 to 66 inches thick and 4 billion of Illinois totals 65.1 billion tons occur in thicknesses greater than 66 inches thick. been mined. Approximately **T**he Springfield Coal has been mined in Illinois for well over 100 years. The

Coal resources, 27 billion tons, the state around the city of Springfield and in the southeastern part of the state

are considered available for along the Galatia Channel. Recent and historical mining of the coal has been

and extreme northern portions of the coal field. (Modified from ISGS Pub. IM 118, Treworgy, et al) Excello Shale

41% of the original Springfield thickest resources of Springfield Coal in Illinois are found in the central part of **References:** - Handbook of Illinois Stratigraphy, 1975, Illinois State Geological Survey Bulletin 95, 261p. - Treworgy, C.G., C.P. Korose, C.A. Chenoweth, and D.L. North, 1999a, Availability of the Springfield mining (See Fig 3.). Available concentrated in these areas and in shallow surface minable deposits west of Coal for mining in Illinois: Illinois State Geological Survey Illinois Minerals 118, 43 p.

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900 to 1000 ft

1000 to 1100 ft

1100 to 1200 ft

1200 to 1300 ft

1300 to 1400 ft

1400 to 1500 ft

1500 to 1600 ft

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