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Springfield Coal Sulfur LASALLE County

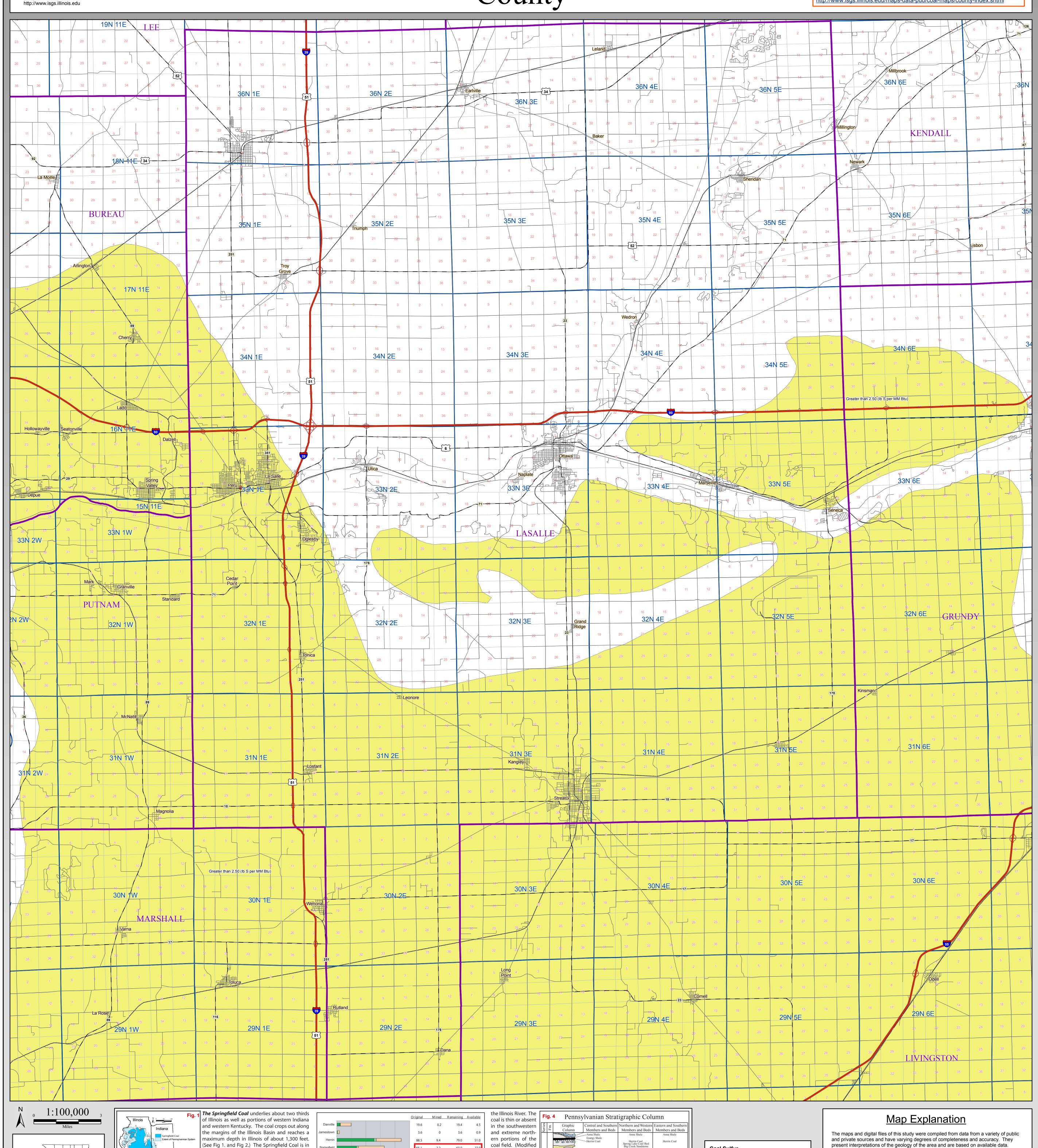
County Coal Map Series

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This product is under review and may not meet the standards of the Illinois State Geological Survey.

County coal maps and select quadrangle maps available as downloadable PDF files at: http://www.isgs.illinois.edu/maps-data-pub/coal-maps/county-index.shtml



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118, Treworgy, et al)

Briar Hill Coal

- 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

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

1968 - B95). (See Fig 4.)

The original resource of

Springfield Coal in the State

of Illinois totals 65.1 billion

tons, of which 2.2 billion have

41% of the original Springfield

Coal resources, 27 billion tons,

are considered available for

mining (See Fig 3.). Available

by the gray silty Dykersburg Shale. In that belt the coal is commonly split by shale part-

ings, and contains less pyrite than where it is overlain by the black fissile shale (Hopkins,

North-south cross section of the Pennsylvanian System in Illinois

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Avail. w/ potential restr.

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

means that the surface land-use and geologic conditions related to mining of the deposit (e.g. thickness, depth, in-place tonnage, stability of bedrock over-

burden) are comparable to other coals currently being mined in the state. Of

these resources, 23 billion tons occur in coal 42 to 66 inches thick and 4 billion

thickest resources of Springfield Coal in Illinois are found in the central part of

the state around the city of Springfield and in the southeastern part of the state

along the Galatia Channel. Recent and historical mining of the coal has been

221.1 12.5

208.6

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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Contoured features less than 7 million square feet (about 1/2 mile square) in area

may not be accurately portrayed or resolved. This data set provides a large-scale

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

Data included in this map are suitable for use at a scale of 1:100,000.

Coal Sulfur

Less than or equal to 0.40 (lb S per MM Btu)

0.41 to 0.60 (lb S per MM Btu)

0.61 to 0.83 (lb S per MM Btu)

0.84 to 1.24 (lb S per MM Btu)

1.25 to 1.67 (lb S per MM Btu)

1.68 to 2.50 (lb S per MM Btu)

Greater than 2.50 (lb S per MM Btu)

Briar Hill Coal Canton Shale St. David Limestone Turner Mine Shale

Colchester Coal

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