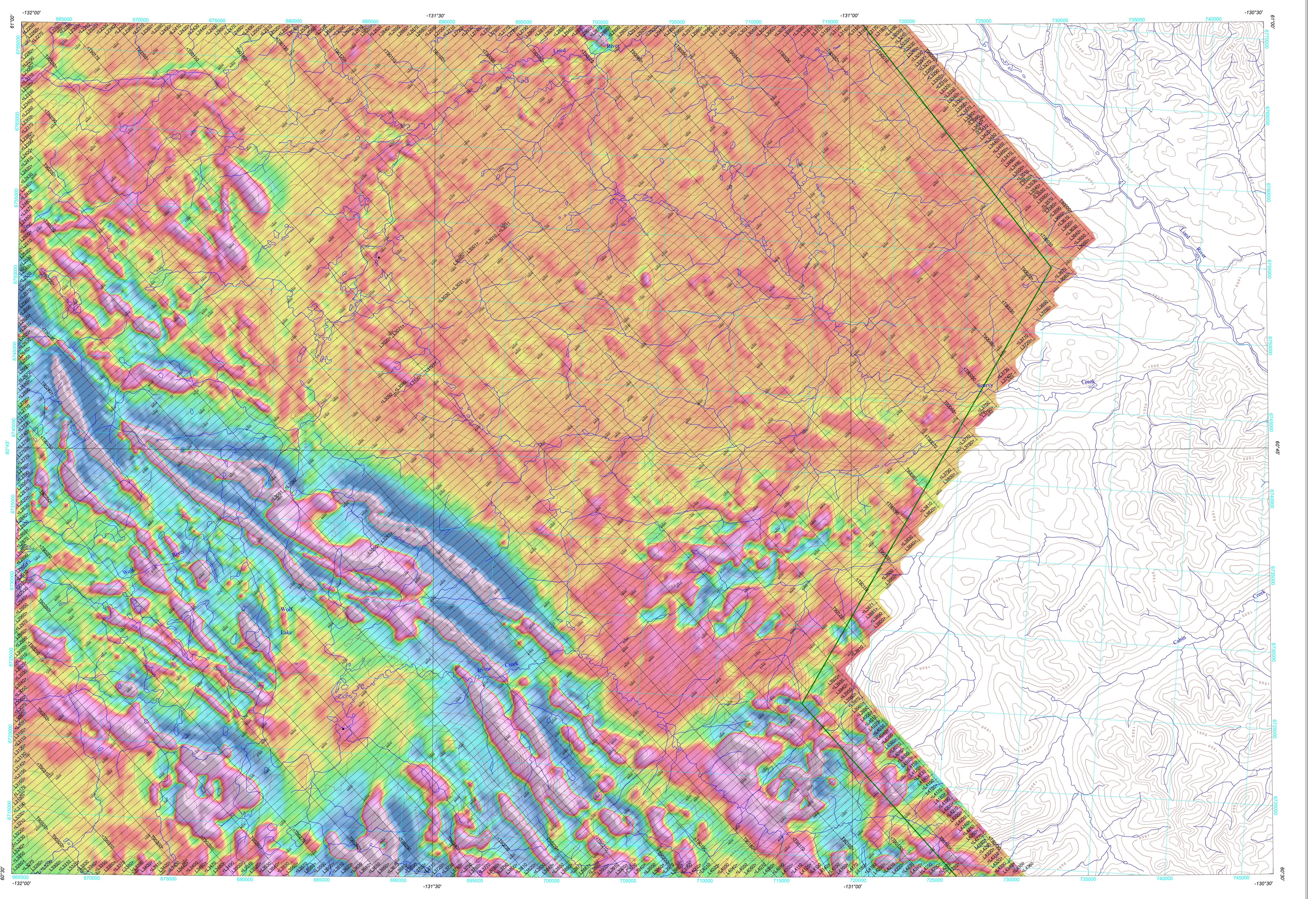


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First Vertical Derivative of the Magnetic Field

This map of the first vertical derivative of the magnetic field was derived from data acquired during an aeromagnetic survey carried out by Novesys Inc. from February 20, 2019, to April 2, 2019. The data were recorded using split-beam cesium vapour magnetometers (sensitivity = 0.005 nT) mounted in each of the tail booms of two Piper Navajo aircraft (C-FWNG and C-GJDD). The nominal traverse and control line spacings were, respectively, 400 m and 240 m, and the aircraft flew at a nominal vertical clearance of 150 m above the ground surface, generally N45°E with orthogonal control lines. The flight path was recovered following post-flight differential corrections to the raw data using a Global Positioning System (GPS) data and inspection of the line intersections made by a vertical control vector. The survey was flown on a pre-determined flight path to minimize differences in magnetic values at the intersections of control and traverse lines. These differences were computer-analyzed to obtain a mutually leveled set of flight-line magnetic data for inclusion in the interpretation. The International Geomagnetic Reference Field (IGRF) defined at the average GPS altitude of 1603 m for the year 2019.2 was then removed. Removal of the IGRF, representing the magnetic field of the Earth, produces a residual component related to the magnetic anomalies within the Earth's crust.

The first vertical derivative of the magnetic field is the rate of change of the magnetic field in the vertical direction. Computation of the first vertical derivative removes long-wavelength features of the magnetic field and significantly improves the resolution of closely spaced and superposed anomalies. A property of first vertical derivative maps is the coincidence of the zero-value contour with vertical contacts at high magnetic latitudes (Hood).

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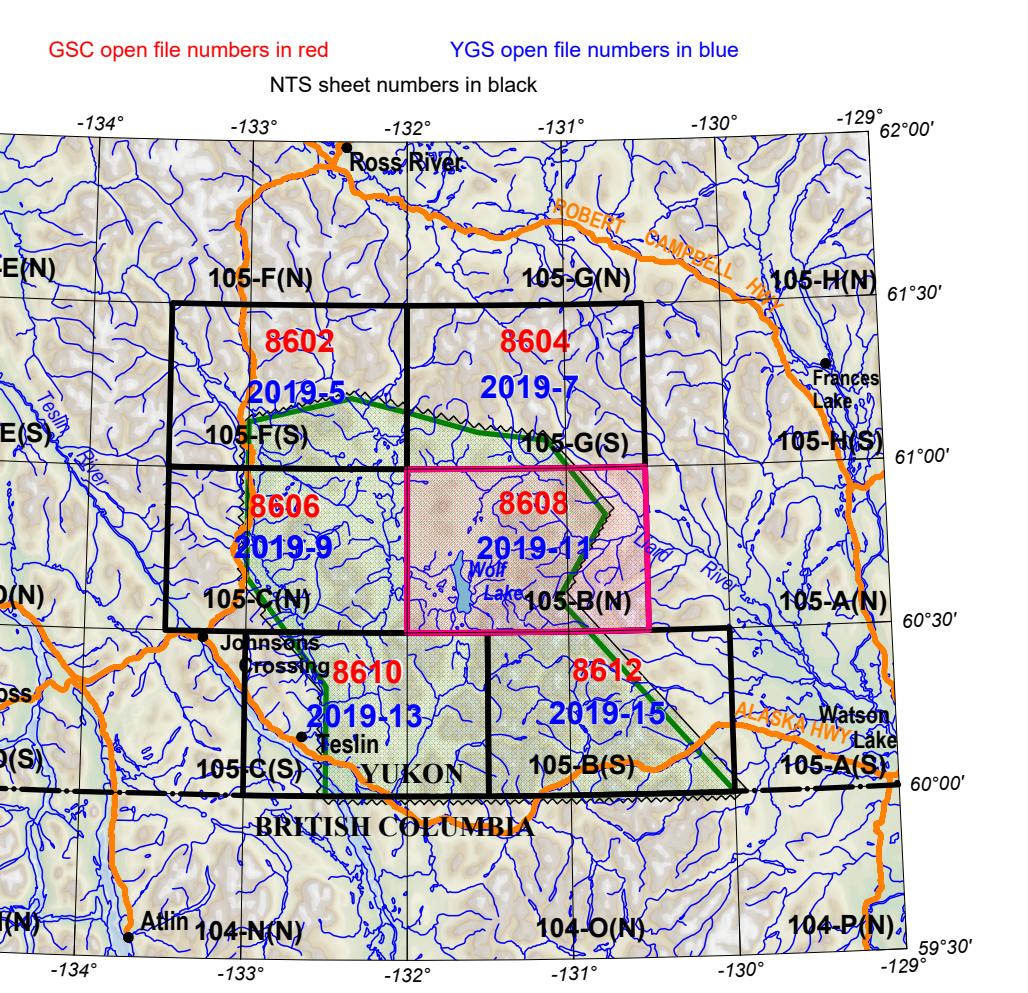
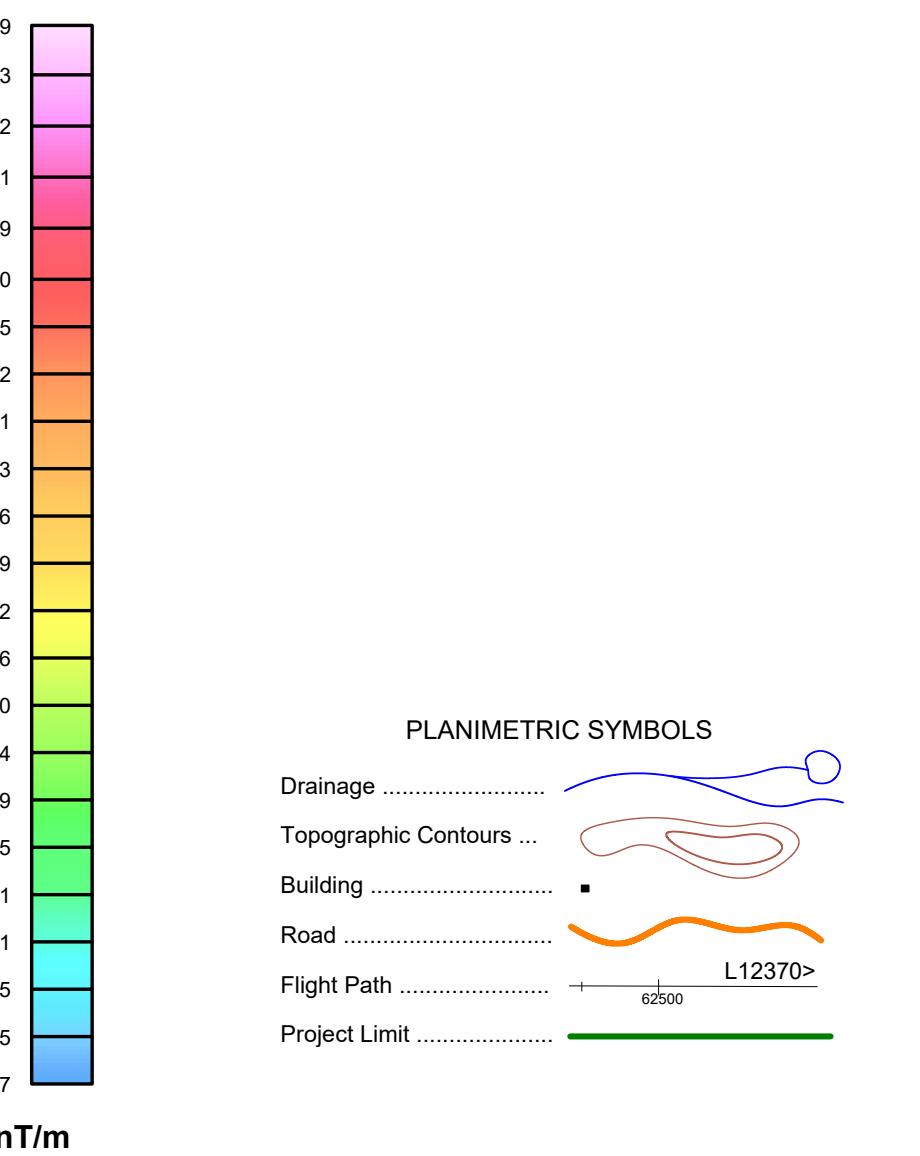
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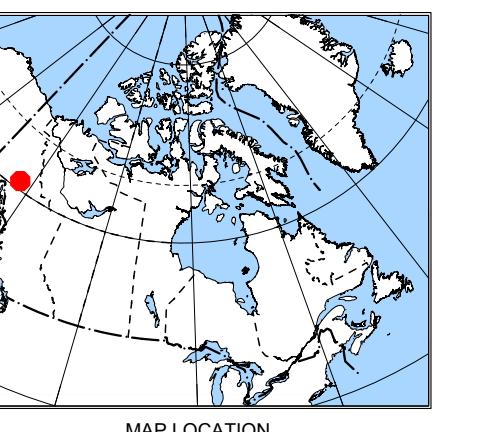
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