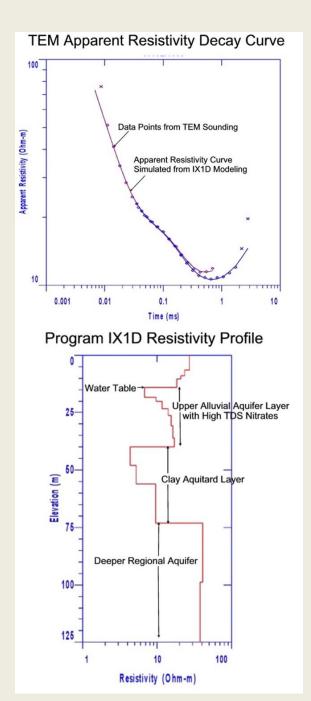
# Transient Electromagnetic (TEM) Electrical Resistivity Soundings

TEM soundings use a large square wire loop set up on the ground surface to transmit on-off-on pulses of electrical current for short durations at fixed frequencies to induce "eddy currents" at various depth levels in the earth. A smaller receiver coil is used to measure the decaying electromagnetic field from these eddy currents over very short time intervals during the off time of the transmitter.

The TEM measurements are used to generate an apparent resistivity versus time "decay curve" (as shown on the left). This decay curve is used in a modeling program such as IX1D (Interpex, Ltd.) or SPIA-TEM (Hydrogeophysics Group at University of Aarhus) to generate 1D resistivity vs. depth profiles. These resistivity versus depth profiles can be integrated with borehole and well data to prepare "hydrogeologic profiles".

Several TEM sounding points along a single survey line can be used to prepare a 2D resistivity profile of the earth's resistivity structure. TEM sounding points along a series of grid lines can also be used to prepare cross-section and map-view images of 3D earth resistivity variations.

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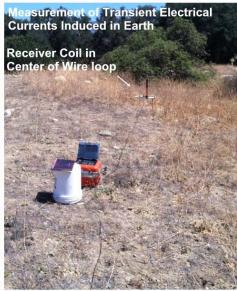
## TEM Surveys for Shallow Subsurface Investigations- Upper 300 Feet

Geonics TEM 47
Transient Electromagnetic Resistivity Surveys

Central Loop Soundings with 120 x 120 ft Transmitter Loops

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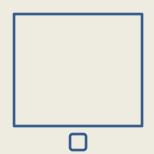








Offset Loop Soundings with 70 x 70 ft Transmitter Loops





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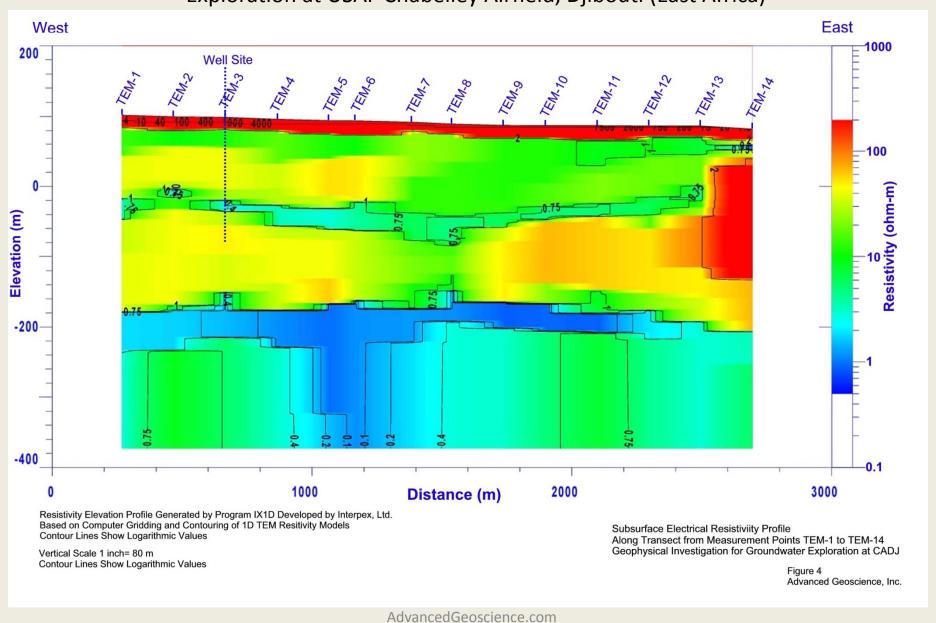
### TEM Surveys for Deeper Subsurface Investigations- 200 to 2,000+ Feet

Geonics TEM 57
Transient Electromagnetic Resistivity Surveys

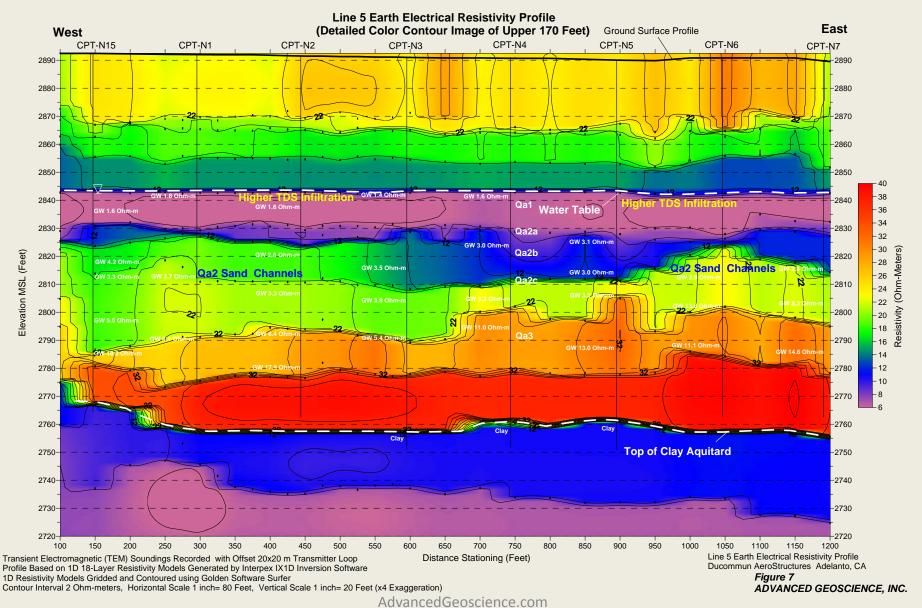


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### 2D Electrical Resistivity Profile from TEM Soundings for Groundwater Exploration at USAF Chabelley Airfield, Djibouti (East Africa)



# 2D Electrical Resistivity Profile from TEM Soundings for Off-Site Groundwater Contamination Investigation at Aerospace Facility, Near Victorville, CA



### Applications of TEM Electrical Resistivity Surveys

### Groundwater Investigations:

Prepare 2D Hydrogeologic Profiles Showing Groundwater-Bearing Zones and Structural and Stratigraphic Conditions- Integrate with CPT, Borehole, and Well Data

**Evaluate Groundwater Quality- Estimate TDS and Salinity** 

Find Best Location and Depth for New Groundwater Production Wells- Develop "Analog Resistivity Profile" from TEM Soundings at Successful Producing Wells for TEM Exploration of New Areas

Delineation of Sea Water Intrusion and Contaminant Plumes

#### Mining and Geothermal Exploration:

Prepare 2D Profiles Showing Lower Resistivity (Conductive Mineral) Zones Associated with Disseminated Mineral Deposits and Ore Bodies- Delineate Structure with 3C TEM

Prepare Deeper 2D Profiles Showing Lower Resistivity Zones in Groundwater Basins Associated with Upwelling Geothermal Brines