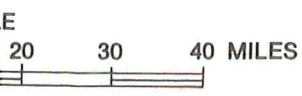


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ORMAL ANOMALIES WITH RESPECT TO  
NOZOIC ALLUVIAL DEPOSITS IN THE  
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## EXPLANATION

- Geothermal anomalies — gradients  $\geq 60^{\circ}$  C/km
- Multi-well control within a minimum radius of  $2\frac{1}{2}$  miles
- Single well control
- Key to thickness patterns (from Cooley, 1967)
- 700-ft
- ▨ 1200-ft
- ▩ 2000-ft

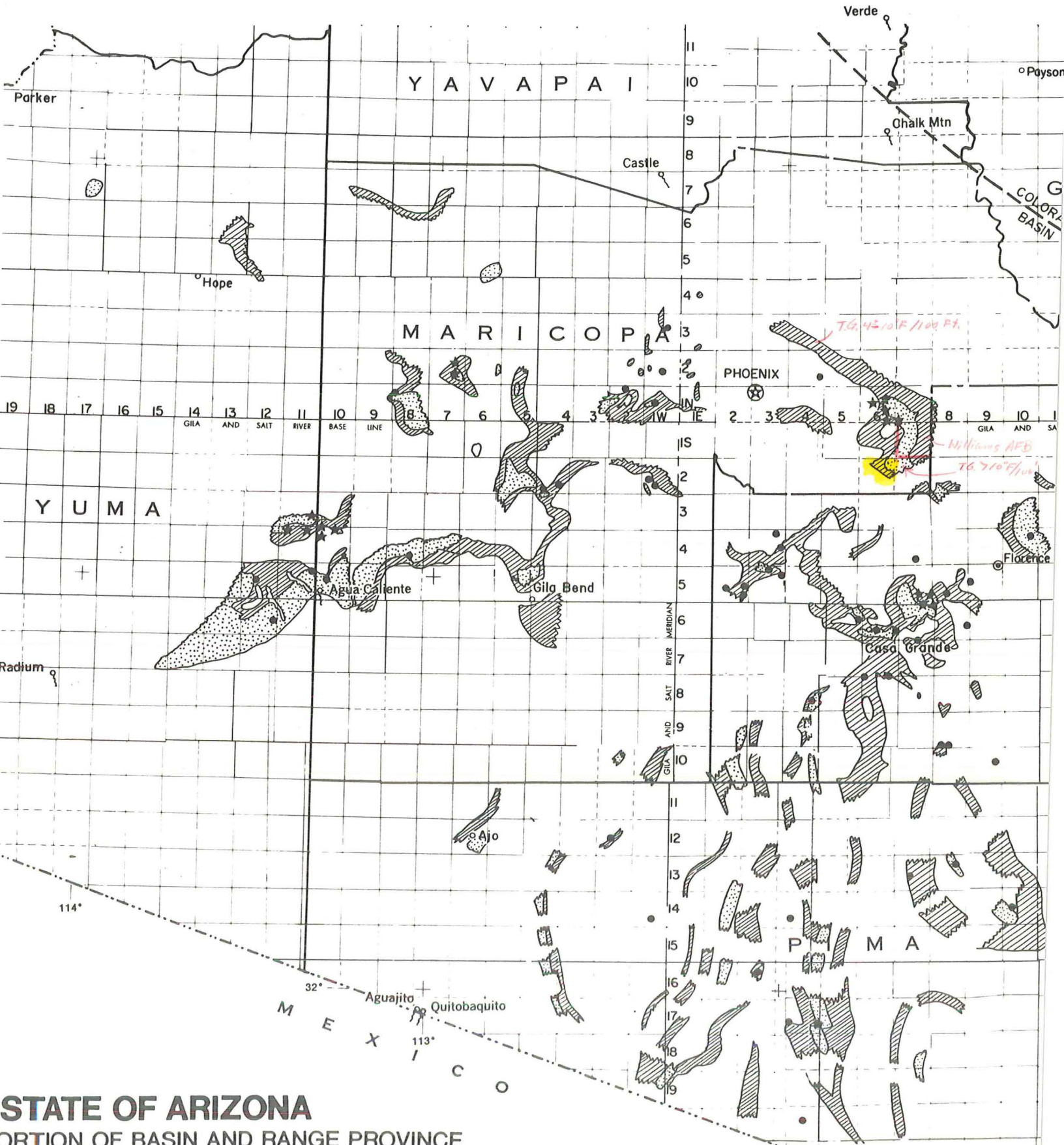
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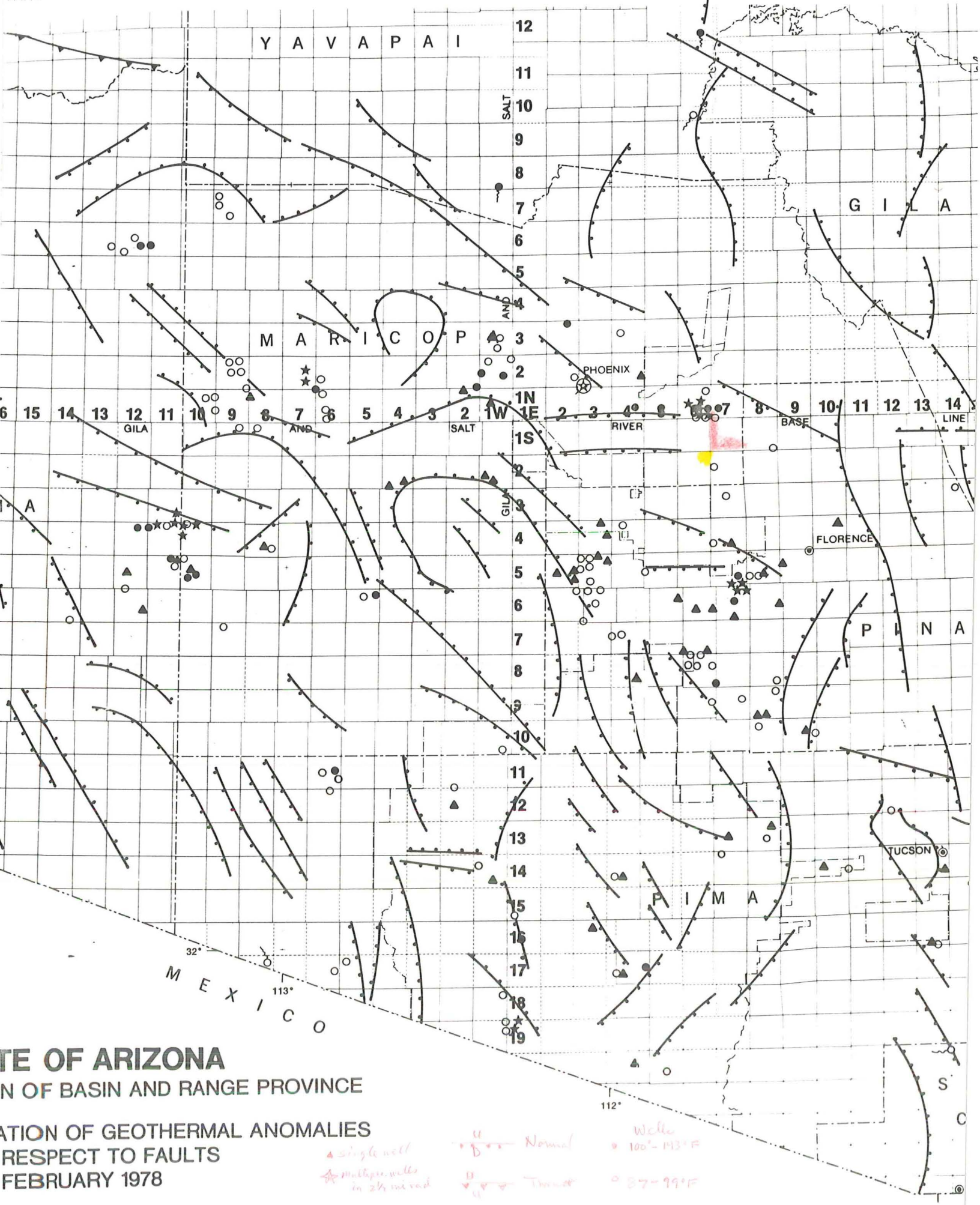
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PORTION OF BASIN AND RANGE PROVINCE





**STATE OF ARIZONA**  
**MAP OF BASIN AND RANGE PROVINCE**  
**DISTRIBUTION OF GEOTHERMAL ANOMALIES**  
**RESPECT TO FAULTS**  
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▲ single well  
 ★ multiple wells in 2 1/2 mi. rad.  
 ○ 100°-143°F  
 ○ 87°-99°F



b. Summary

The location of Ellsworth AFB, and its relation to hot springs in the area, lead to the conclusion that there is definite potential for geothermal resource utilization at the base. This conclusion is further augmented by the fact that in Midland, South Dakota, some 100 miles to the east, a small school is currently being heated by geothermal water.

c. Recommendations

A thorough study should be performed of wells in the area to get temperatures, water chemistry, heat flow, thermal gradients, and total depths. It is felt that this data, in combination with published geophysical and geological data would provide adequate information for selection of a drilling target. A relatively deep test hole should be drilled to approximately 1850m (6000 feet) to study gradients at this depth as well as analyze aquifers and provide material for geochemical water analysis.

3. WILLIAMS AIR FORCE BASE

Williams AFB Chandler, Arizona, has definite potential for geothermal heating. The potential for water-dominated systems suitable for power generation is unknown, but looks interesting.

a. Source of Heat

The geologic source of the geothermal gradient anomalies is not known at this time. However, an area known as the NOMAD geothermal field is located adjacent to and probably under Williams AFB.

Geothermal Kinetics, Incorporated (GKI), a private corporation, has leased and drilled 2 wells in Section 1 of Township 2 South, Range 6 East. Well number 1 has a total depth of 9,207 with the depth to water of 421 feet. The temperature of the water is 301<sup>o</sup>F. Well number 2 has a total depth of 10,450 feet with similar findings. Well number 1 has a flow rate of 6000 gallons per minute and is considered "producing." Figure 5 illustrates the portion of the NOMAD geothermal field originally leased by GKI in relation to base property. It is on the GKI lease that two test wells have been drilled by industry.

b. Summary

The area of Williams AFB adjacent to the NOMAD geothermal field has a definite potential for supplying geothermal water for the base needs.

c. Recommendations

Wells in existence should be logged to obtain temperatures, water chemistry, heat flow, thermal gradients, and total depths. This data, in conjunction with published geophysical and geologic data will provide the necessary information to select an optimum drilling site for base utilization of the underlying geothermal water.



1S-6E | 1S-7E

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2S-6E | 1S-6E

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