Geothermal Atlas of Alberta

USER GUIDE







Getting Started

The Geothermal Atlas of Alberta is a public, web-based geographic information system (GIS) application that provides geoscience data and information relevant to the assessment of Alberta's geothermal energy potential, supporting the government and industries in developing geothermal energy in Alberta.

This user guide document describes the widgets in the interactive mapping application and provides step-bystep instructions to help users maximize the platform's functionalities.

This section introduces users to key system requirements for accessing the Geothermal Atlas of Alberta v1.

System Requirements

Recommended monitor size

This current version of the Geothermal Atlas is optimized for desktop computers and laptops. These devices should have a minimum monitor resolution of 1024 x 768 to effectively view the web application. We recommend a 1920 x 1020 monitor to ensure the best experience. Make sure your browser window zoom is set between 67-100% size to have a good layout of the interactive application. This is dependent on the hardware configuration of the desktop or computer laptop.

Internet or mobile connection speed

For optimal performance, a broadband internet connection with at least 4 Mbps connection speed or a 4G mobile data connection is recommended to run the Geothermal Atlas of Alberta platform.

Supported browsers

The Geothermal Atlas of Alberta is supported on the following browsers:



Google Chrome 107x



Mozilla Firefox 109x



Microsoft Edge 107x



Platform Overview

The Geothermal Atlas of Alberta is created and shared using Esri's ArcGIS Online cloud-based software. Using smart and data-driven mapping approaches, the platform interacts with the rich repository of geological data generated and hosted by the <u>Alberta Geological Survey (AGS)</u>.

The atlas platform provides innovative access to geothermal energy data and scientific information intended to facilitate decision-making and planning for geothermal energy exploration and development in Alberta.

Within the Atlas Viewer, users can access a wide range of information and perform queries such as searching for depth, thickness, and temperature at precise locations, gathering statistics for areas of interest, and unlocking valuable insights for geothermal energy exploration and development.







Geothermal Atlas Design

Design and web app creation

Version 1 of the Geothermal Atlas of Alberta was developed using a suite of Esri configurable applications, such as ArcGIS Hub, Experience Builder, and Map Viewer.

For this project, the interactive applications were created for the following geological units: the Leduc Formation, the combined Swan Hills and Slave Point formations, and the Granite Wash.

Geothermal Atlas user interface design

As part of the design phase of the geothermal atlas, several functionalities in the form of widgets were considered in the platform design.

The Geothermal Atlas interface includes a main landing page with provincial-focused geological/geothermal data layers/related information and formation-specific pages.

For this phase of the project, the stratigraphic units considered were:

- o Leduc Formation
- Swan Hills / Slave Point Formations
- o Granite Wash

Resource

Mossop, G.D. and Shetsen, I., comp. (1994): Geological atlas of the Western Canada Sedimentary Basin; Canadian Society of Petroleum Geologists and Alberta Research Council, URL <<u>https://ags.aer.ca/reports/atlas-western-canada-sedimentary-basin</u>>, Accessed June 20, 2023

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Geothermal Atlas of Alberta

Home • Leduc Formation • Swan Hills / Slave Point Formations • Granite Wash • Help • Technical Information

The Navigation links provide users with interactive links to different components or interfaces of the Geothermal Atlas of Alberta. Examples include links to the Home Hub page, Geological Units, Technical Information, and Help documentation.



The Zoom widget allows users to interactively zoom in and out of features in the map display.



The Default Map View widget displays the map's current extent within the context of a larger area.



The About widget provides an overview and description of the Geothermal Atlas interactive application.



The Add Data widget allows users to add data and maps to the geothermal atlas by accessing data from several locations (such as the ArcGIS content, URLs, or local file upload – like shapefiles)

Click to access tips and tricks on using the Add Data widget



The Filter widget hosts customized filters built to work on specific data layers present in the provincial user interface of the Geothermal Atlas of Alberta interactive mapping application.

<u>Click to access tips and tricks on using the Subsurface</u> <u>Temperature Filter widget</u>



The Bookmark widget allows users to bookmark specific views of locations of interest on a map for quick and easy navigation.

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The Map Layers widget displays the list of map layers and their respective symbols in the Geothermal Atlas of Alberta interactive application.





The Table widget displays interactive attribute tables of feature layers or associated outputs of gueries.

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Click to access additional description of the Table widget



The Query widget allows you to retrieve information from a data source by running an attribute or spatial filter query.

Click to access the description of the Query widget



The Print widget lets users print web maps and includes options for previewing extents, selecting layouts, and more.

Click to access tips and tricks on using the Print widget

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The Share widget allows users to share the interactive mapping application by posting it to several social media platforms.

The Search widget allows users to search for geographical locations (such as cities or towns) in Alberta.



The Draw widget allows users to make sketches in the map layout of the atlas.



The Swipe widget allows users to compare different layers in the map easily. Users can slide the swipe tool or move the mouse around to reveal the contents of another layer.



The Measure widget allows users to

measure polygon area and line

length.

The Basemap widget hosts a gallery of basemaps and allows users to select one of choice from the available list.



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Please run the "Geological Attributes (User Selection Tool)" query to display the statistics summary of the selected area of interest.

NOTE: The summary report encompasses results for all LSDs intersecting the user-selected area, which may vary from the total area of these LSDs.

Summary Statistics: Geological Attributes (User Selection Tool): This widget allows users to display geological attribute summaries for user-defined areas within specific geological units.



Summary Statistics - Heat-in-Place / Power Estimates

Heat-In-Place per Unit Area (PJ/km2) Minimum: 0 PJ/km2 Maximum: 0 PJ/km2 Mean: 0 PJ/km2

Gross Thermal Power per Unit Area (MWth/km2) Minimum: 0 MWth/km2 Maximum: 0 MWth/km2 Mean: 0 MWth/km2

Gross Electrical Power per Unit Area (MWe/km2) Minimum: 0 MWe/km2

Maximum: 0 MWe/km2 Mean: 0 MWe/km2

Required Brine Flow Rate per MWe (m3/hr/MWe)

Minimum: 0 m3/hr/MWe Maximum: 0 m3/hr/MWe Mean: 0 m3/hr/MWe

Please run the "Heat-In-Place / Gross Power Summaries (User Selection Tool)" query to display the statistics summary of the selected area of interest.

NOTE: The summary report encompasses results for all LSDs intersected by the user-selected area which may be the same or smaller than the total area of these LSDs.

Summary Statistics: Heat-In-Place & Power Estimates (User Selection Tool): This widget allows users to extract heat-in-place and power calculation summaries of userdefined areas for specific geological units.



Collapse Button – This enables users to collapse and expand attribute table (bottom screen) or widgets panels to the web map screen's top left, top right, and left.

The Table widget allows users to access attributes of the selected feature layers in the Geothermal Atlas. The attribute table is hidden by default, and you can expand or collapse it by clicking on the collapse button with an arrow at the bottom of the page in the centre. Icons on the right will allow you to clear selection, refresh the table, show/hide columns, and export all or selected records to CSV, JSON, or GeoJSON format. When you click on a record in the table, the associated location on the map will be highlighted and panned to the current scale.



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Description of the Query Widgets

Alberta Township and NTS Grid query: These query tools allow users to identify specific locations of interest using the Alberta Township System (ATS) criteria, such as townships, ranges, regions, map area numbers, meridians, or the National Topographic Survey (NTS) map sheet numbers.

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Geological Attributes (LSD Address / User Selection tool): This query tool provides specific geological attributes related to specific stratigraphic units (such as depth to the formation, formation tops and base, vertical thickness, base temperature, and thermal gradient).

Description of the Query Widgets (contd.)

Heat-in-Place / Power Calculation (LSD Address / User Selection tool): Both query tools provide heat-in-place and power statistics of user-defined areas. Users can access such information by legal subdivision (LSD) address or selected areas of interest.

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Tips and Tricks



Using the Subsurface Temperature Filter Widget

Note: This widget is only available for the Geothermal Atlas provincial interface.





The Subsurface Temperature Filter was built to work with the "Subsurface Temperature Point Data." This tool is only applicable to the Geothermal Atlas provincial interface.

The Subsurface Temperature Filter allows users to limit the visibility of well data used in generating the AGS-published 3D subsurface temperature model of Alberta's subsurface (depths >1000 m). Details of the publication can be accessed using this LINK.

Using pre-defined attribute criteria, such as measurement type, depth of temperature measurement, elevation of temperature measurements, and recorded temperature, users can filter well records meeting specified parameters.

Using the Subsurface Temperature Filter Widget



data record from drillstem tests used to model the 3D subsurface temperature model with specific parameters– Measurement Type: Drillstem test, Depth to temperature measurement range: 3500–6000 metres, and Recorded temperature range: 100–160 degrees Celsius.

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Using the Swipe Tool

The Swipe widget allows users to compare different layers in the map quickly. Users can slide the swipe tool or move the mouse around to reveal the contents of another layer.

In this tutorial, we would like to compare two grid layers, the Temperature at the Base of formation and a favourability map scenario (e.g., Scenario 50-30-20). Below are steps on how to use the swipe tool.

Steps

1. Select the Temperature at the Base of the formation and Favourability map scenario – Scenario 50-30-20 layer.



2. Click the Swipe tool. This displays the leading and trailing layers. Ensure the Swipe widget is turned on.

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Using the Swipe Tool (contd.)

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Steps

- Expand the Leading and Trailing layers. 3.
- Ensure the Temperature at the Base of the Leduc Formation 4. layer is turned on for the Leading layers.
- Turn on the Scenario 50-30-20 favourability layer under the 5. Trailing layers. This would be the layer shown at the bottom.





Using the Swipe Tool (contd.)

Steps

6. The map window is updated with a slider. With this slider, drag to compare both grid layers by moving from left to right.



Note: This widget is only available on formation-specific pages.

This widget allows users to extract heat-in-place and power calculation summaries of user-defined areas for specific geological units.

This section of the guide will demonstrate the effective use of this tool using a step-by-step guide.

<u>Steps</u>

- 1. In the Map Layers widget, turn on the Gross Electrical Power Potential layer in the Resource Quantification section.
- 2. Turn on the "LSD-Based Probabilistic Approach" layer and click the Query widget to display the "Heat-In-Place/Power Calculation (User Selection Tool)."
- 3. Click the query tool to activate the tool Heat-In-Place/Power Calculation (User Selection Tool).





<u>Steps</u>

- 4. Select any draw graphic option of choice. In this example, use the "Draw a Polygon" graphic option.
- 5. Zoom into an area of interest in the map view to draw an area of interest.
- 6. Draw a polygon in any area of interest to obtain the Heat-In-Place and Gross Electrical Power summary statistics.
- 7. Click the Apply button.



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<u>Steps</u>

- 8. The Query dialogue box is populated with the summary statistics of the HIP and Power per Legal Subdivision (LSD) grids contained within the user-defined area of interest presented in step 6.
- 9. To display the HIP and Power Summary stats for the selected area, click the "Heat-In-Place & Power Calculation (User Selection Tool) Widget."

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NOTE: The summary report encompasses results for all LSDs intersected by the user-selected area which may be the same or smaller than the total area of these LSDs.

<u>Steps</u>

10. Click the collapse button at the bottom of the map window to expand the attribute table, which hosts the "Heat-In-Place / Power (User Selection Tool) results" attribute table.



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Adding Data to the Atlas

The Add Data widget allows users to load and view their data as overlays on the data layers in the Geothermal Atlas.

Users can map .csv, .geojson or shapefiles on the web map.

In this user guide, instructions on how to overlay personal shapefiles to the web interface of the Geothermal Atlas are outlined in the steps below:

Steps to add shapefile

- Click the "Add Data" widget to access this tool.
- In the Add Data pop-up window, click the "Click to add 2. data" button.
- To add a shapefile, select the "File" tab. 3.
- Ensure the shapefile to be added is zipped. Drag and 4. drop or browse to the location of the zipped shapefile folder on your computer and add this to the atlas.
- Click the Done button to add your shapefile to the Add 5. Data window.



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Adding Data to the Atlas (contd.)

Steps to add shapefile

- 6. The "Add Data" widget allows users to implement several operations to a data layer added to the atlas. For example, the user can Rename, Remove, or perform different operations such as Set filter, Zoom to, View in table, Pan to, Add to map, and *Export* the added layer.
- 7. To overlay the imported shapefile to the map interface of the atlas, select "Add to map" Action.
- 8. Step 7 allows the user to overlay the imported shapefile on the existing layers in the map interface of the atlas. This adds the shapefile to the Map Layers widget.





Using the Print Widget

The Print widget allows the current map view to be saved to a PDF file for printing.

Using the Print widget:

- 1. Enter a title for the map in the **Title** text box or use the default name Geothermal Atlas of Alberta.
- 2. Select the desired printed map size in the **Template** section.
- 3. Click Advanced to expand and access advanced print options.

The **Map printing extents** section defines the method the application should use to calculate the printed extent of the map. Choosing the **Current map scale** option causes the printed map to maintain its scale and may change the map extent around the centre point to fit the printed page. Choosing the **Current map extent** option may cause the scale to change to fit the current map extent into the printed page. You may also force a specific scale by selecting the **Set map scale** option and entering a scale; click the round arrow icon on the right to populate the box with the present scale of the map.



Using the Print widget

The **Layout** options section allows you to include a legend and north arrow in the printed map.

The **Print quality** section allows you to set the resolution of the printed map by providing a DPI (dots per inch) value in the text box.

- 4. After all options have been set, click the **Print button** to submit the information to the print service. A spinning wheel in the Print result section will indicate task progress.
- 5. Upon completion, a print link is displayed in the **Print** result section. Click the link to open the print file in a new browser window.
- 6. Click the x icon on the right corner of the link to delete it.

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