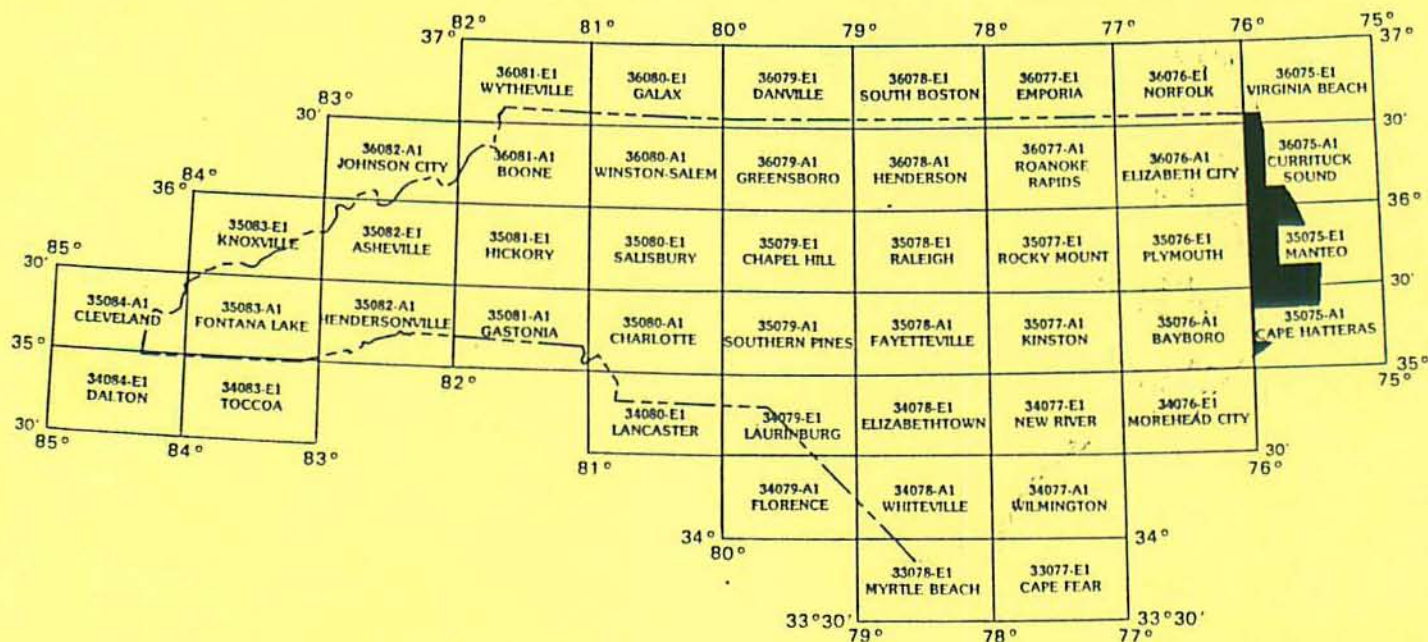


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**INTRODUCTION**

This report is a compilation of geochemical data for stream sediment and groundwater for the Virginia Beach, Currituck Sound, Manteo, and Cape Hatteras 30 x 60 - minute quadrangles (Figure 1). Maps and tables were prepared from statewide data obtained by the Savannah River Laboratory under sponsorship of the U.S. Dept. of Energy in its National Uranium Resources Evaluation (NURE) program (Sargent and others, 1982). Sampling and analysis were performed during the period 1976 - 1980.

Because of the large size of the database, the North Carolina Geological Survey is presenting the database in both statewide and 30 x 60 - minute quadrangle formats. Statewide formats currently available include atlases of stream sediment and hydrogeochemical data which contain maps showing quartile distribution of concentrations of variables (Reid, 1991; Reid, 1993). Reid and Carpenter (1993a, 1993b) present listings of concentrations of variables which equal or exceed the 90th percentile (and pH and conductivity below the 10th percentile) for stream sediment and groundwater-stream water.

This open-file report is part of a series of reports that present sample-location maps and listings of analyses of all variables in all of the 30 x 60 - minute quadrangles that comprise the state of North Carolina. Subsequent reports will review the NURE data for individual 30 x 60 - minute quadrangles. These reviews will contain the following: 1) maps showing concentrations of all the variables in up to eight class intervals; 2) geologic review of the quadrangle and discussion of relationship of geochemical variables to rock units and structural features; 3) review of mineral resources and discussion of relationship of geochemical variables to mineral occurrences; and 4) discussion of outliers that may relate to anthropogenic contamination.

In this report, site-location maps use state boundaries, county boundaries and 7-1/2 - minute quadrangle boundaries as references to site-locations. The North Carolina Index to Topographic and Other Map Coverage, prepared by the U.S. Geological Survey, is a useful reference document. The List of Publications of the North Carolina Geological Survey indicates areas within the state for which some geologic and geophysical maps, and reports, are available.

Listings in this report are in the same basic format as those presented in microfiche by Sargent

and others (1982). Column 1 lists the laboratory numbers applied to each analyzed sample. Column 2 lists site identification codes. The first two characters are the codes for the county name. The next three digits are sample numbers. They are listed sequentially for each county in the order they were collected. The next two columns list the latitude and longitude of the sampling sites in decimal degree format. The remaining columns are data columns and analyses are given in parts per million (stream sediment) and parts per billion (groundwater). In these columns, a minus (-) sign indicates that a value is below the detection limit. If background is high, and an accurate estimate of minimum detection limit could not be made, a period (.) indicates that the element was not detected and that the detection limit is unusually high. Missing data are denoted by the letter "M". For gold, analyses are listed only for those samples in which gold was detected. For arsenic, a value of 0 is assigned for samples in which arsenic was analyzed, but not detected.

For stream sediment, two listings are presented. The first listing is for elements analyzed by neutron activation as well as field measurements for pH and conductivity of stream water. Variables included in this listing are pH, conductivity, uranium (U), thorium (Th), hafnium (Hf), cerium (Ce), iron (Fe), manganese (Mn), sodium (Na), scandium (Sc), titanium (Ti), vanadium (V), aluminum (Al), dysprosium (Dy), europium (Eu), lanthanum (La), samarium (Sm), ytterbium (Yb), and lutetium (Lu). The second listing is for supplemental elements analyzed by a variety of techniques. These include extractable uranium (U<sub>x</sub>), silver (Ag), arsenic (As), barium (Ba), beryllium (Be), calcium (Ca), cobalt (Co), chromium (Cr), copper (Cu), potassium (K), lithium (Li), magnesium (Mg), molybdenum (Mo), niobium (Nb), nickel (Ni), phosphorous (P), lead (Pb), selenium (Se), tin (Sn), strontium (Sr), tungsten (W), yttrium (Y), and zinc (Zn). Stream sediment analyses are for the minus 100 mesh fraction (< 149 microns) unless otherwise noted.

Groundwater, normally samples of water from wells, was also analyzed by neutron activation. Field measurements were made of pH and conductivity. Variables included in listings of groundwater analyses include pH, conductivity, uranium (U), bromine (Br), chlorine (Cl), fluorine (F), magnesium (Mg), manganese (Mn), sodium (Na), vanadium (V), uranium/conductivity, aluminum (Al), and dysprosium (Dy). Stream water was also analyzed for these variables at 295 sites in North Carolina. Listings for stream water are included for areas in which these sites are located.

Although the data was acquired with considerable attention to quality control, some errors exist. These include uncertainties of sample locations due to the use of county road maps as base maps for field use and digitizing sampling sites. Malfunction of field equipment used in measurement of pH and conductivity has also been recognized in some areas. Some of the analyses are also in error. Some of these errors are apparent when concentrations show systematic "breaks" at county boundaries. This suggests that conditions of analysis for different batches of samples were not uniform. In general, analyses of stream sediment by neutron activation are more reliable than analyses of sediment by other supplemental methods.

For a number of counties, supplemental analyses were not made. Thus elements of interest for mineral exploration and environmental geochemistry are lacking for large areas.

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## COUNTY CODES

<u>Code</u>	<u>County</u>
CI	Currituck
DA	Dare

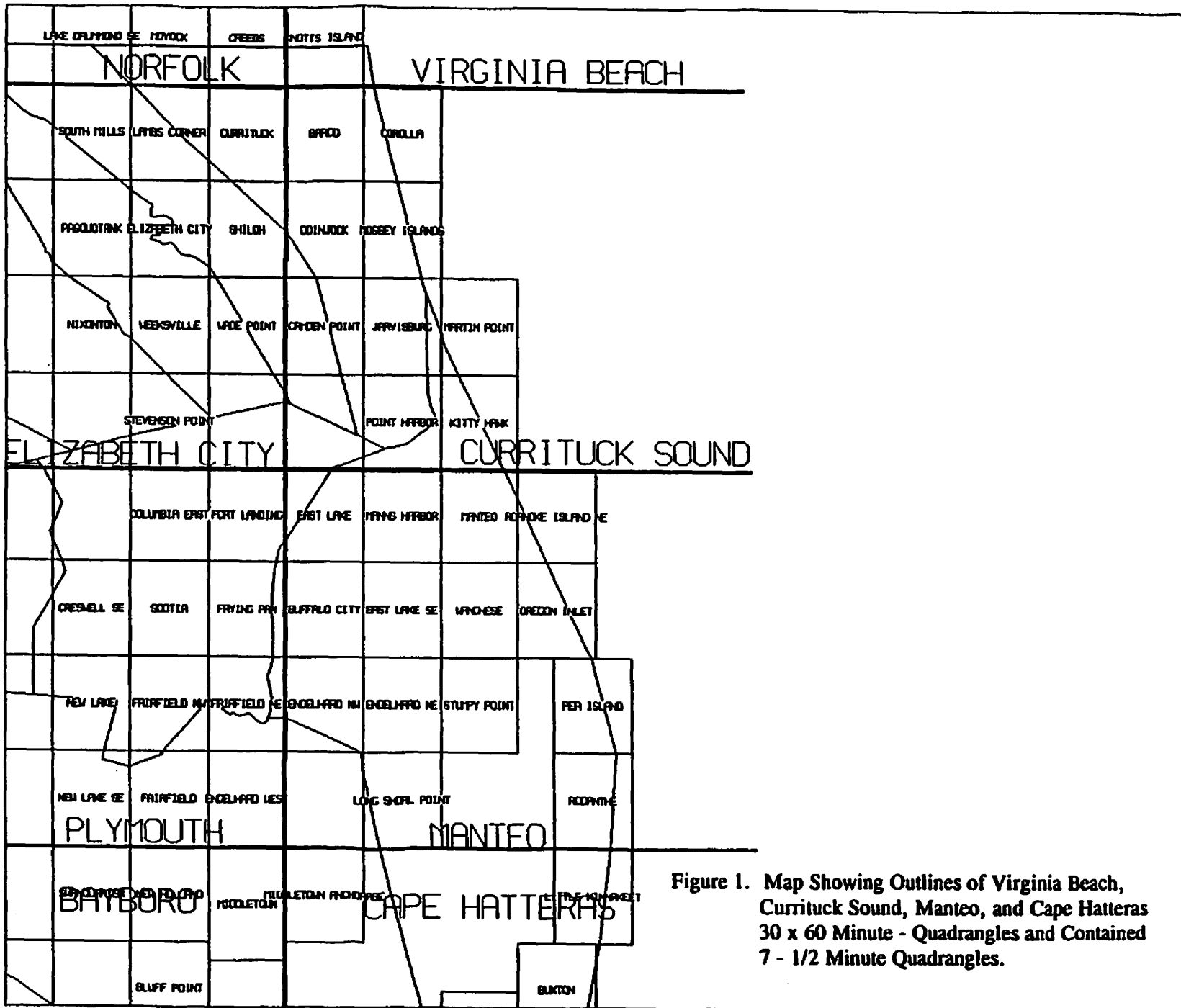


Figure 1. Map Showing Outlines of Virginia Beach, Currituck Sound, Manteo, and Cape Hatteras 30 x 60 Minute - Quadrangles and Contained 7 - 1/2 Minute Quadrangles.

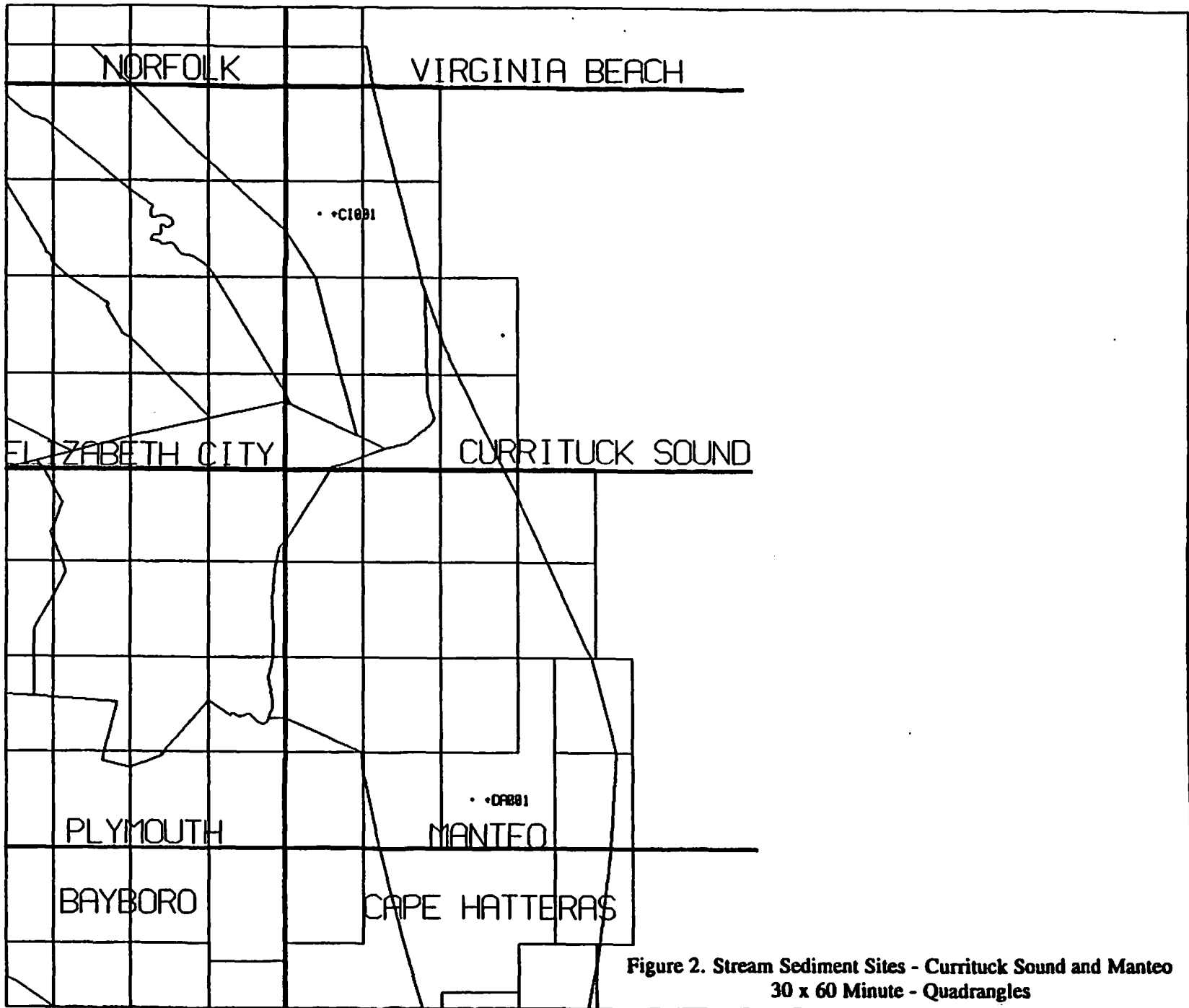


Figure 2. Stream Sediment Sites - Currituck Sound and Manteo  
30 x 60 Minute - Quadrangles



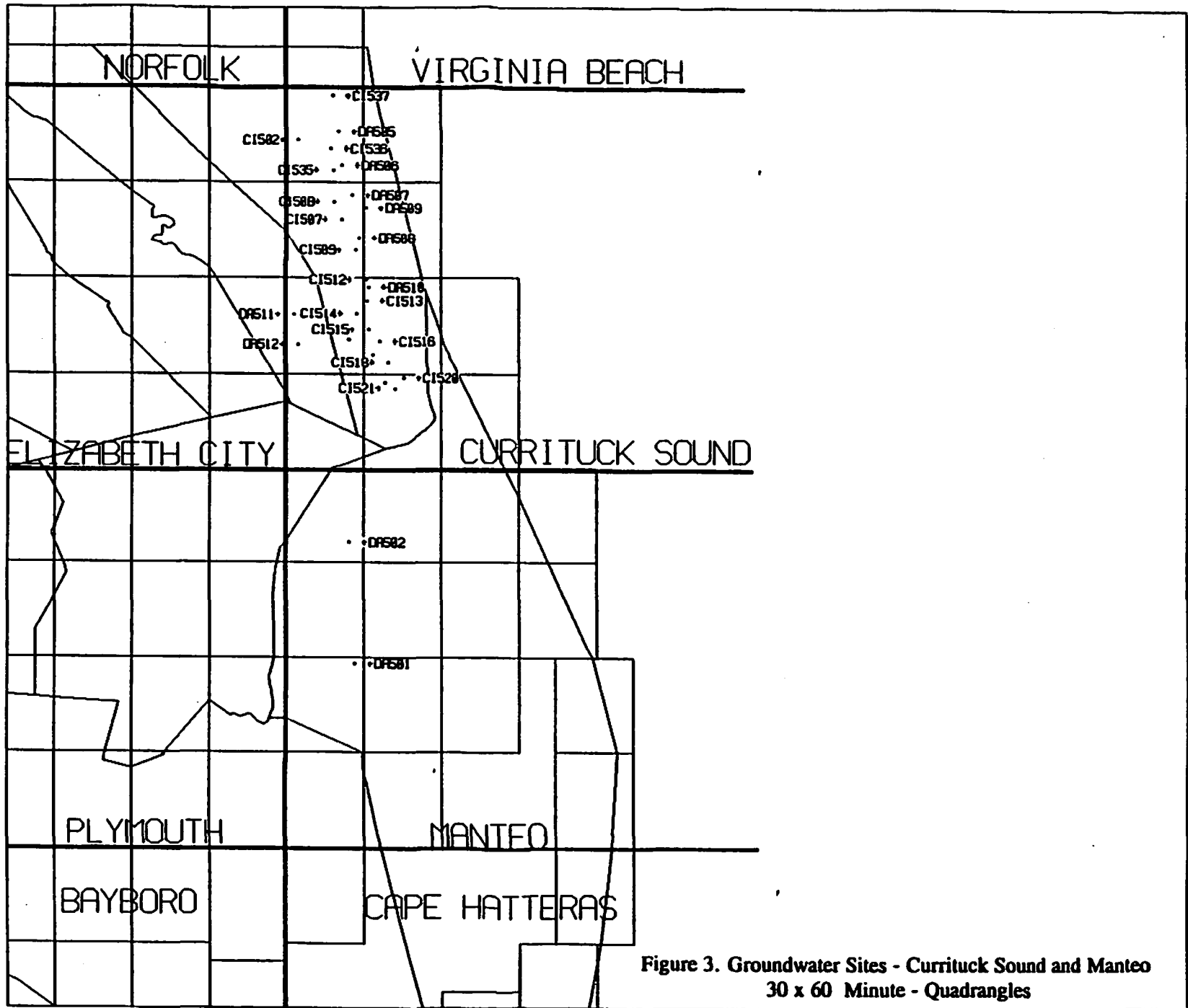


Figure 3. Groundwater Sites - Currituck Sound and Manteo  
30 x 60 Minute - Quadrangles

**CURRITUCK SOUND 100K QUADRANGLE - STREAM SEDIMENT**

Lab #	County	Lat	Long	ph	Cond	U	Th	Hf	Al	Ce	Fe	Mn	Na	Sc	Ti	V	Dy	Eu	La	Sm	Yb	Lu	Au
	ID				um/cm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm
1161	CI001	36.3323	75.9443	6.3	105	3.5	10	17	43900	63	13100	220	4900	6.3	7100	60	6.2	-1	M	7	M		0.4

**MANTEO 100K QUADRANGLE - STREAM SEDIMENT**

Lab #	County	Lat	Long	ph	Cond	U	Th	Hf	Al	Ce	Fe	Mn	Na	Sc	Ti	V	Dy	Eu	La	Sm	Yb	Lu	Au
	ID				um/cm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm
1672	DA001	35.5633	75.6988	3.9	65	1.3	5	8	39500	-20	17200	150	12000	2.6	3300	30	M	-1	14	3	M		0.3

CURRITUCK SOUND 100K QUADRANGLE - GROUNDWATER

Lab #	County	Lat	Long	pH	Cond	U	Br	Cl	F	Mg	Mn	Na	V	U/cond	Al	Dy
ID					um/cm	ppb	ppb	ppb	ppb	ppb	ppb	ppb	ppb	x 1000	ppb	ppb
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1055	CI504	36.3857	75.9785	7.7	230	-0.002	68	18300	63	3420	114	15540	0.6	0	116	-0.001
1056	CI505	36.3517	75.9614	7.7	900	0.016	136	139700	.	11120	.	102960	-0.1	0	259	-0.001
1057	CI506	36.3219	75.9387	7.6	930	-0.002	522	145300	.	25160	.	98720	-0.1	0	214	-0.001
1058	CI507	36.3264	75.9090	7.2	150	-0.002	47	13400	18	2480	52	17780	-0.1	0	196	-0.001
1059	CI508	36.3496	75.9210	6.9	111	0.004	38	9500	.	2150	41	12290	-0.1	0	154	-0.001
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1061	CI510	36.2838	75.9155	6.6	80	-0.002	32	13600	.	.	70	10680	0.5	0	173	-0.001
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1064	CI513	36.2210	75.8688	6.2	82	-0.002	47	8600	.	1250	44	12560	-0.1	0	131	-0.001
1065	CI514	36.2040	75.8849	6.2	152	-0.002	45	16700	.	1640	67	10500	-0.1	0	145	-0.001
1066	CI515	36.1831	75.8665	5.6	130	-0.002	69	17000	.	1740	37	14400	-0.1	0	185	-0.001
1067	CI516	36.1677	75.8486	5.0	380	0.017	1966	60200	.	8480	201	35090	-0.1	0	536	-0.001
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1620	DA512	36.1637	75.9796	7.5	1090	0.032	.	49600	363	28020	283	183450	-0.1	0	804	-0.001

**MANTEO 100K QUADRANGLE - GROUNDWATER**

Lab #	County	Lat	Long	pH	Cond	U	Br	Cl	F	Mg	Mn	Na	V	U/cond	Al	Dy
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1609	DA501	35.7418	75.8893	7.6	385	0.021	.	24700	70	.	300	33800	-0.1	0	174	-0.001
1610	DA502	35.9021	75.8976	7.5	630	-0.002	106	23700	130	18090	282	54900	-0.1	0	374	-0.001