Road Subsidence Geotechnical Investigation in Historic Iron Ore Mining Area



Resistivity and Induced Polarization Imaging was performed to help characterize a roadway area that was subject to collapse and settling problems resulting from historic iron ore mine workings. The goal was to map the extent of the detected collapse zone for roadway remediation purposes. Both Resistivity and IP data highlight the mine shaft zone that is responsible for the surface roadway problems. Additionally, IP data defines the top of the iron ore bedrock extremely well (as confirmed by later drilling).

Objective:	Roadway geotechnical survey for collapse features due to old mines
Survey date:	May, 2007
Survey site:	Hibbing, Minnesota, USA
Instrument:	SuperSting R8/IP with 56 electrodes at 3m spacing
Electrode array:	Dipole-dipole
Processing:	Inversion of data using EarthImager 2D inversion software
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SuperSting 8-channel Resistivity Instrument by



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