Plate 2. Elevation of the top of the Middle Rio Rancho hydrostratigraphic unit.

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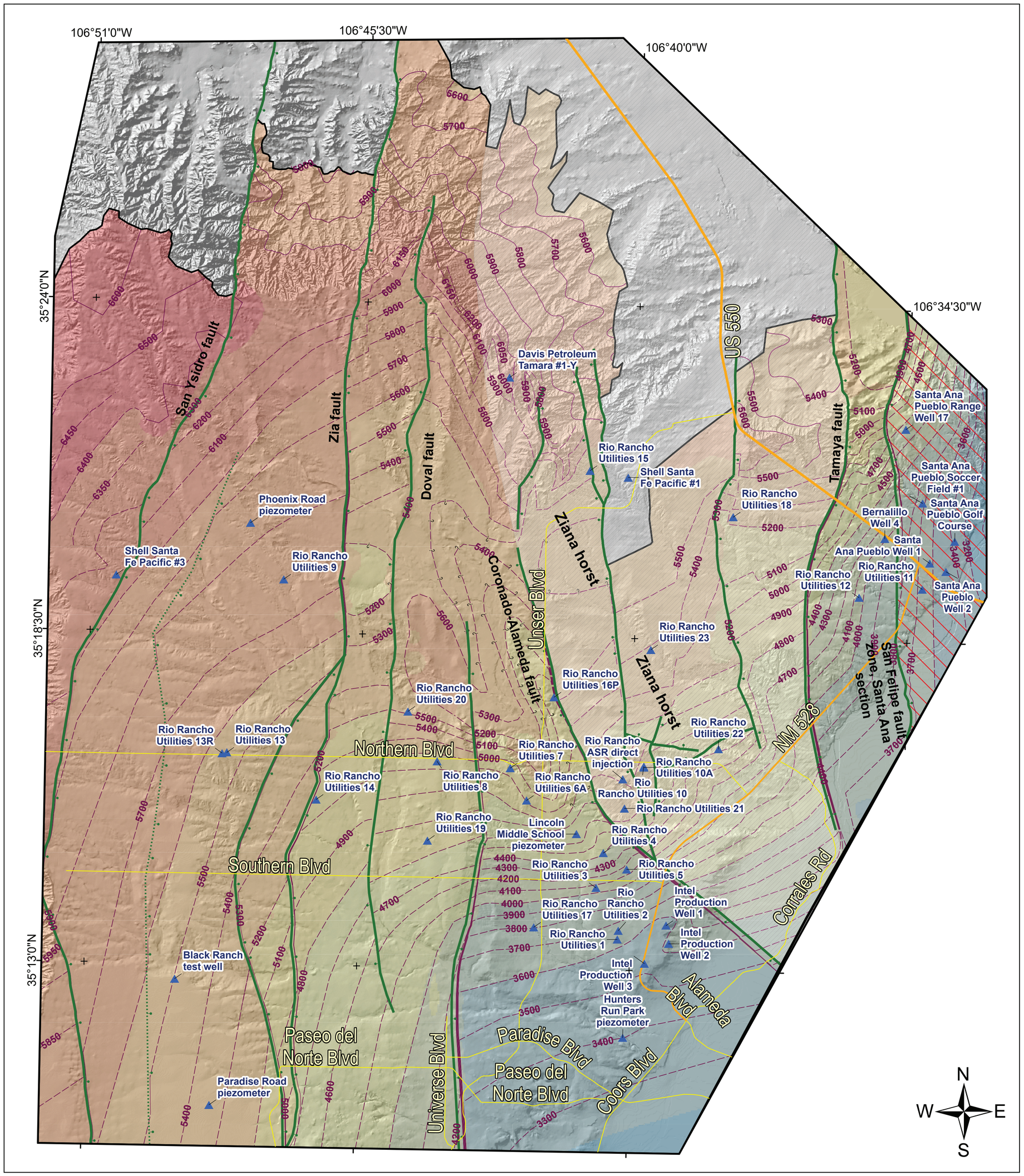

1:72,000

0 4 8 12 16 20 Kilometers

0 2 4 6 8 10 Miles

North American Datum of 1983 (NAD83, zone 13N)
Projection: Transverse Mercator

Legend

- Wells used in hydrostratigraphic model
- Study area boundary

Structural Domain
- Ziana horst

Highways and roads
- U.S. Hwy
- State Hwy
- Other roads

Major Faults
(ball and bar on downthrown side)
- Normal fault
- Buried fault

Top of Middle Rio Rancho hydrostratigraphic unit
Elevation (ft-asl)
- 6,400 - 6,610
- 6,000 - 6,400
- 5,600 - 6,000
- 5,200 - 5,600
- 4,800 - 5,200
- 4,400 - 4,800
- 4,000 - 4,400
- 3,600 - 4,000
- 3,200 - 3,600
- 2,766 - 3,200

Relative accuracy
- clear — Moderate to high
- Low

Structural contours (model input)
- Structural contour corresponds to land-surface contour
- Subsurface structural contour
- Subsurface structural contour, uncertain
- Structural contour along fault plane

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