SEMINOLE COUNTY
Ultimate Design Wind Speed Designations

Risk Category	Figure	Wind Speed
Risk Category I	Figure 1609C	129mph*
Risk Category II	Figure 1609A	139mph*
Risk Category III and IV	Figure 1609B	149mph*

* Linear interpolation of wind speeds between contours is permitted by a state of Florida registered engineer.

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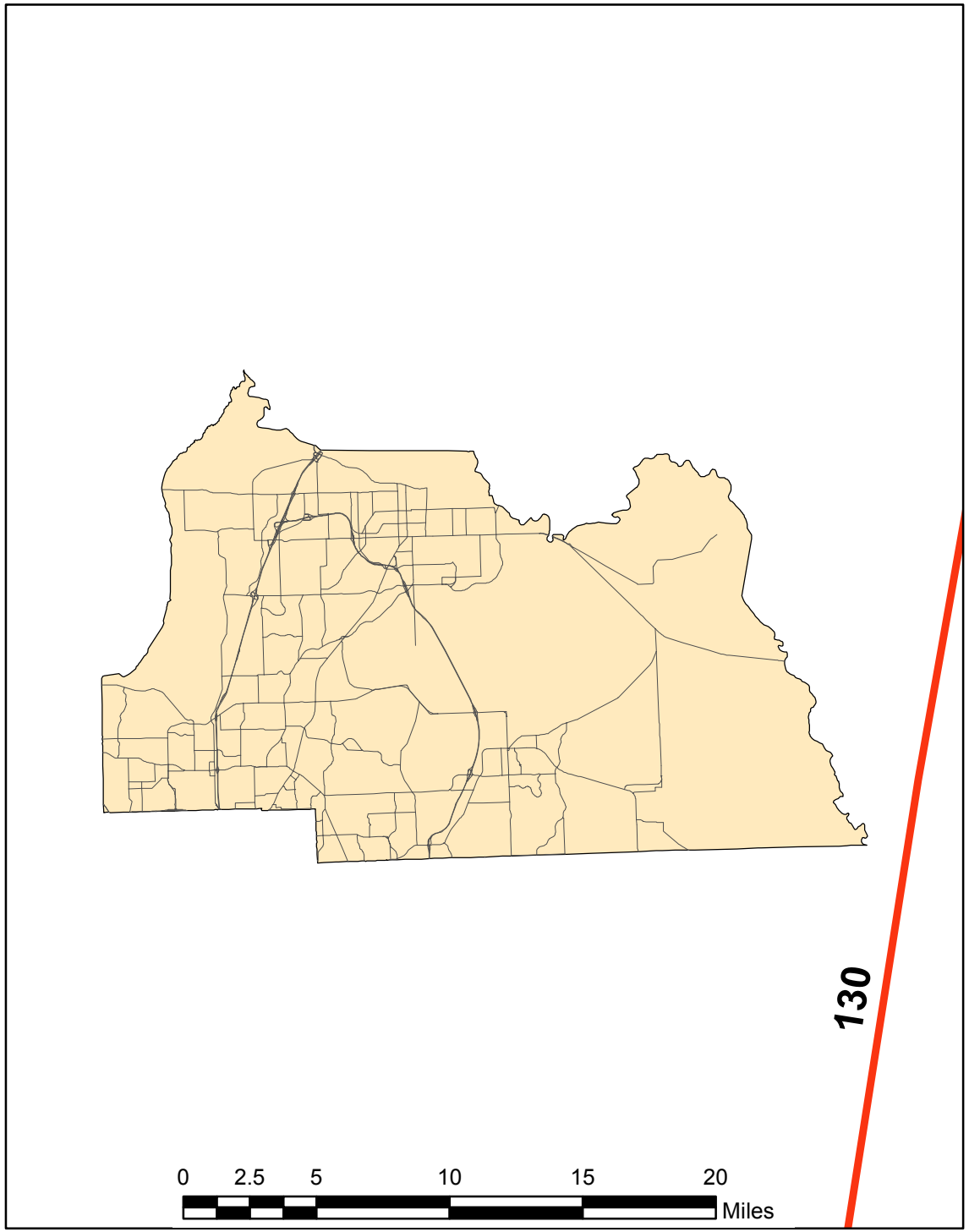
Figure 1609C
Ultimate Design Wind Speeds
Risk Category I Buildings

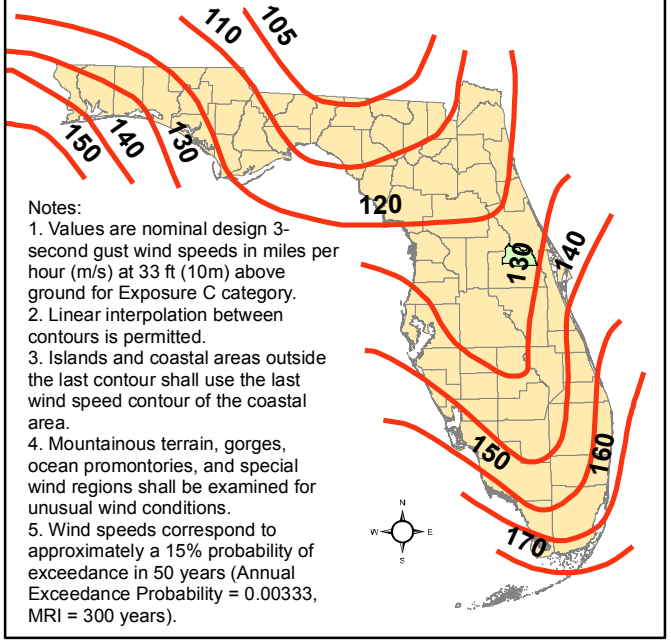


BASIC WIND SPEED. The basic wind speed in miles per hour, for the development of wind loads, shall be determined from Figure 1609. The exact location of wind speed lines shall be established by local ordinance using recognized physical landmarks such as major roads, canals, rivers and lake shores whenever possible.

WIND-BORNE DEBRIS REGION. Areas within hurricane- prone regions located:
1. Within 1 mile (1.61 km) of the coastal mean high water line where the ultimate design wind speed Vult is 130 mph (48 m/s) or greater; or
2. In areas where the ultimate design wind speed Vult is 140 mph (53 m/s) or greater

For Risk Category II buildings and structures and occupancy category III buildings and structures, except health care facilities, the windborne debris region shall be based on Figure 1609A. For occupancy category IV buildings and structures and occupancy category III health care facilities, the windborne debris region shall be based on Figure 1609B.

Figure 1609C Ultimate Design Wind Speeds, for Risk Category I Buildings and Other Structures



Notes:
1. Values are nominal design 3-second gust wind speeds in miles per hour (m/s) at 33 ft (10m) above ground for Exposure C category.
2. Linear interpolation between contours is permitted.
3. Islands and coastal areas outside the last contour shall use the last wind speed contour of the coastal area.
4. Mountainous terrain, gorges, ocean promontories, and special wind regions shall be examined for unusual wind conditions.
5. Wind speeds correspond to approximately a 15% probability of exceedance in 50 years (Annual Exceedance Probability = 0.00333, MRI = 300 years).

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Figure 1609A
Ultimate Design Wind Speeds
Risk Category II Buildings

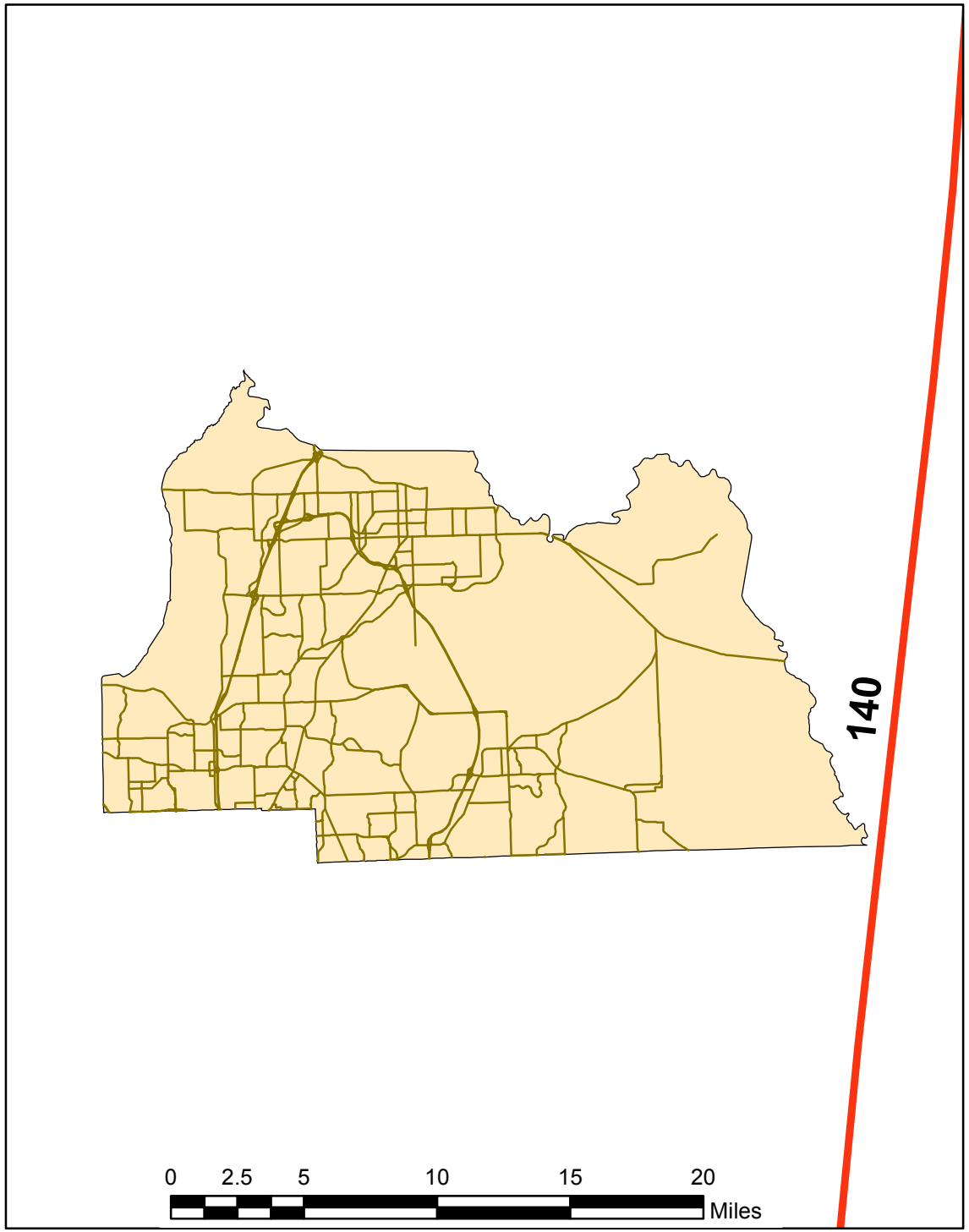

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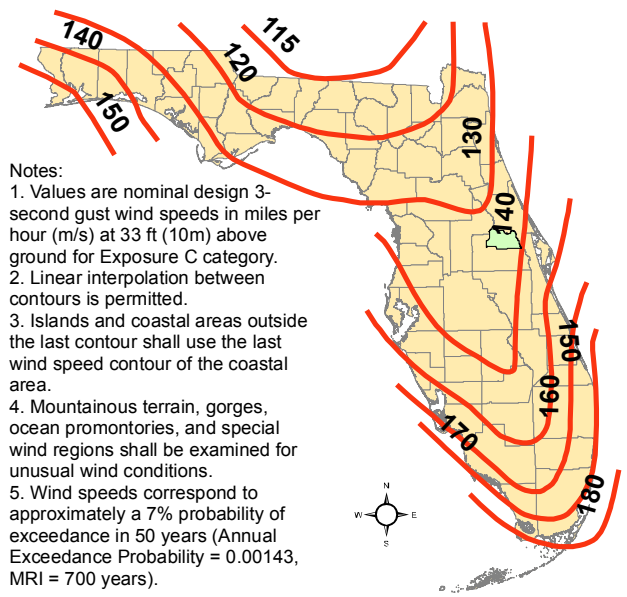
Figure 1609A Ultimate Design Wind Speeds, for Risk Category II Buildings and Other Structures



Notes:
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2. Linear interpolation between contours is permitted.
3. Islands and coastal areas outside the last contour shall use the last wind speed contour of the coastal area.
4. Mountainous terrain, gorges, ocean promontories, and special wind regions shall be examined for unusual wind conditions.
5. Wind speeds correspond to approximately a 7% probability of exceedance in 50 years (Annual Exceedance Probability = 0.00143, MRI = 700 years).

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Figure 1609B
Ultimate Design Wind Speeds
Risk Category III and IV Buildings

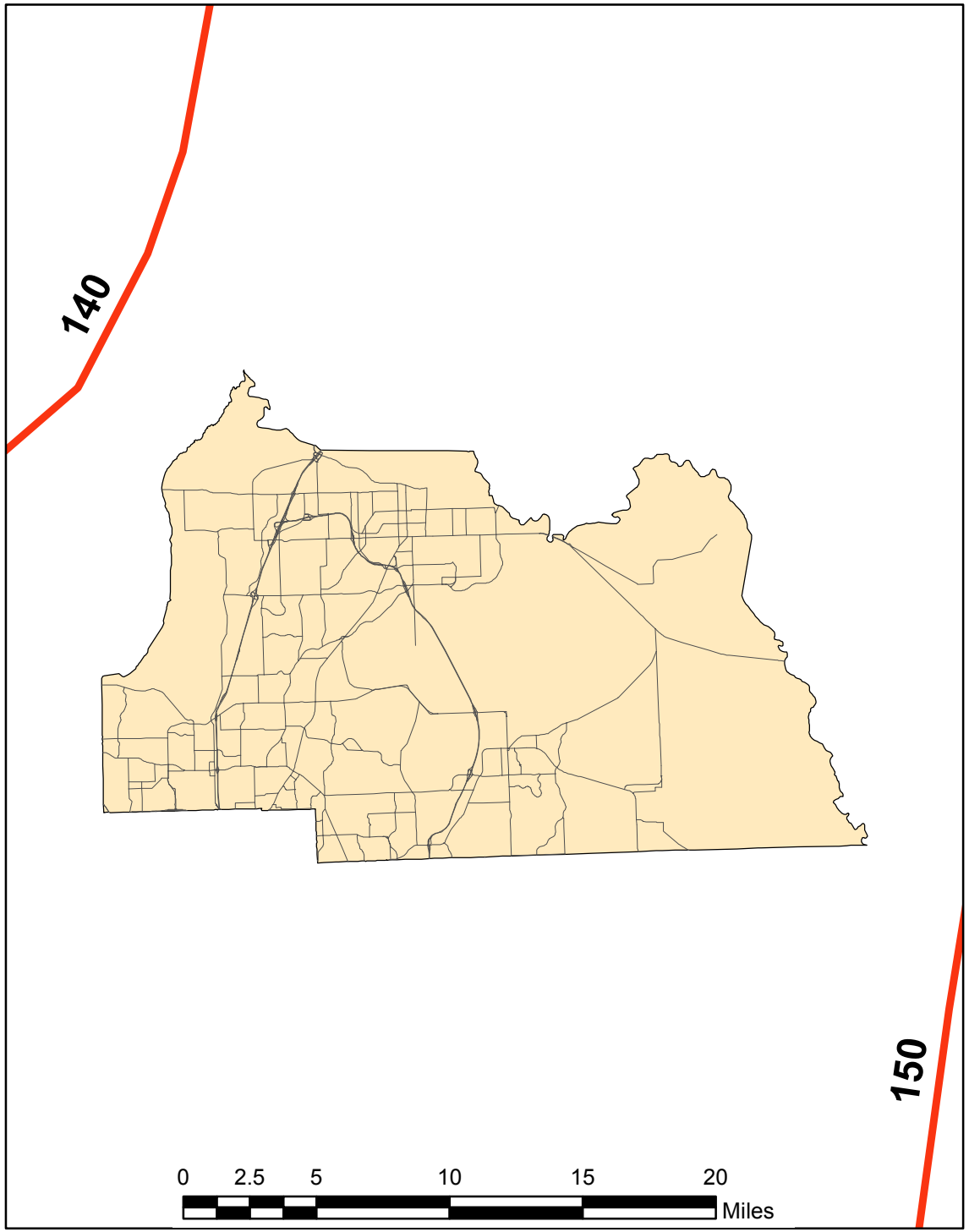

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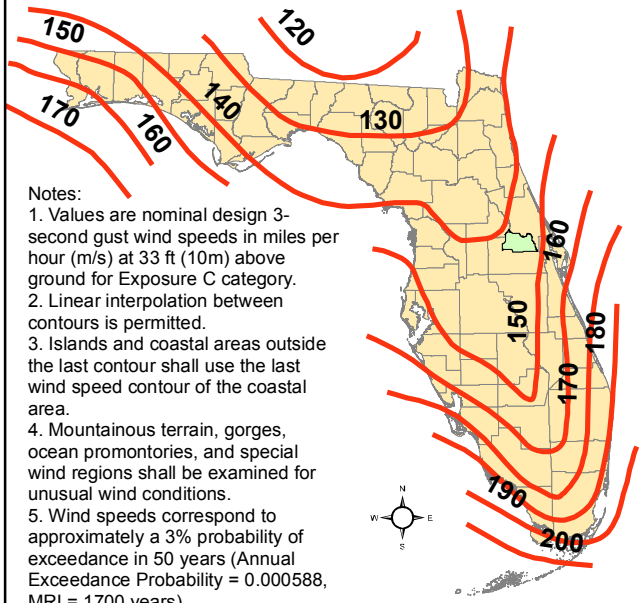
Figure 1609B Ultimate Design Wind Speeds, for Risk Category III and IV Buildings and Other Structures



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2. Linear interpolation between contours is permitted.
3. Islands and coastal areas outside the last contour shall use the last wind speed contour of the coastal area.
4. Mountainous terrain, gorges, ocean promontories, and special wind regions shall be examined for unusual wind conditions.
5. Wind speeds correspond to approximately a 3% probability of exceedance in 50 years (Annual Exceedance Probability = 0.000588, MRI = 1700 years).

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