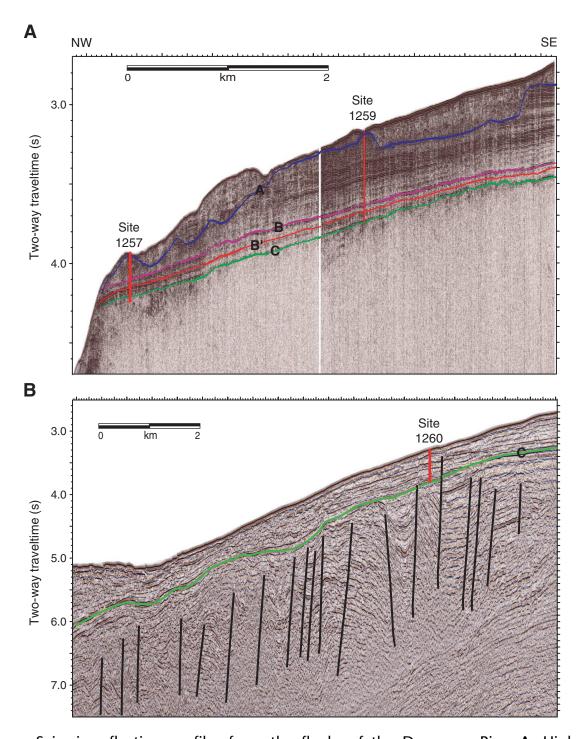


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A site map showing the drilling locations for this leg and maps showing the drilling locations of all Ocean Drilling Program (ODP) and Deep Sea Drilling Project (DSDP) drilling sites are available in PDF format.

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RELATED LEG DATA

DOWNHOLE LOGGING AND CORE DATA

A CD-ROM containing processed logging data and a subset of core data is included with the printed version of this volume. However, a more complete set of the logging data collected by ODP Logging Services is available online at www.ldeo.columbia.edu/BRG/ODP/DATABASE/DATA/search.html. If you have problems downloading the data, wish to receive additional logging data, or have questions regarding the data, please contact: Data Services Manager, ODP Logging Services, Borehole Research Group, Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory of Columbia University, PO Box 1000, 61 Route 9W, Palisades NY 10964, USA; Tel: (845) 365-8343; Fax: (845) 365-3182; E-mail: logdb@ldeo.columbia.edu.

The majority of the core data on the CD are available on the Web at www-odp.tamu.edu/database. If you cannot access the ODP database or need additional data, please contact: ODP Data Librarian, Ocean Drilling Program, Texas A&M University, 1000 Discovery Drive, College Station TX 77845-9547, USA; Tel: (979) 845-8495; Fax: (979) 458-1617; E-mail: database@odpemail.tamu.edu.

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