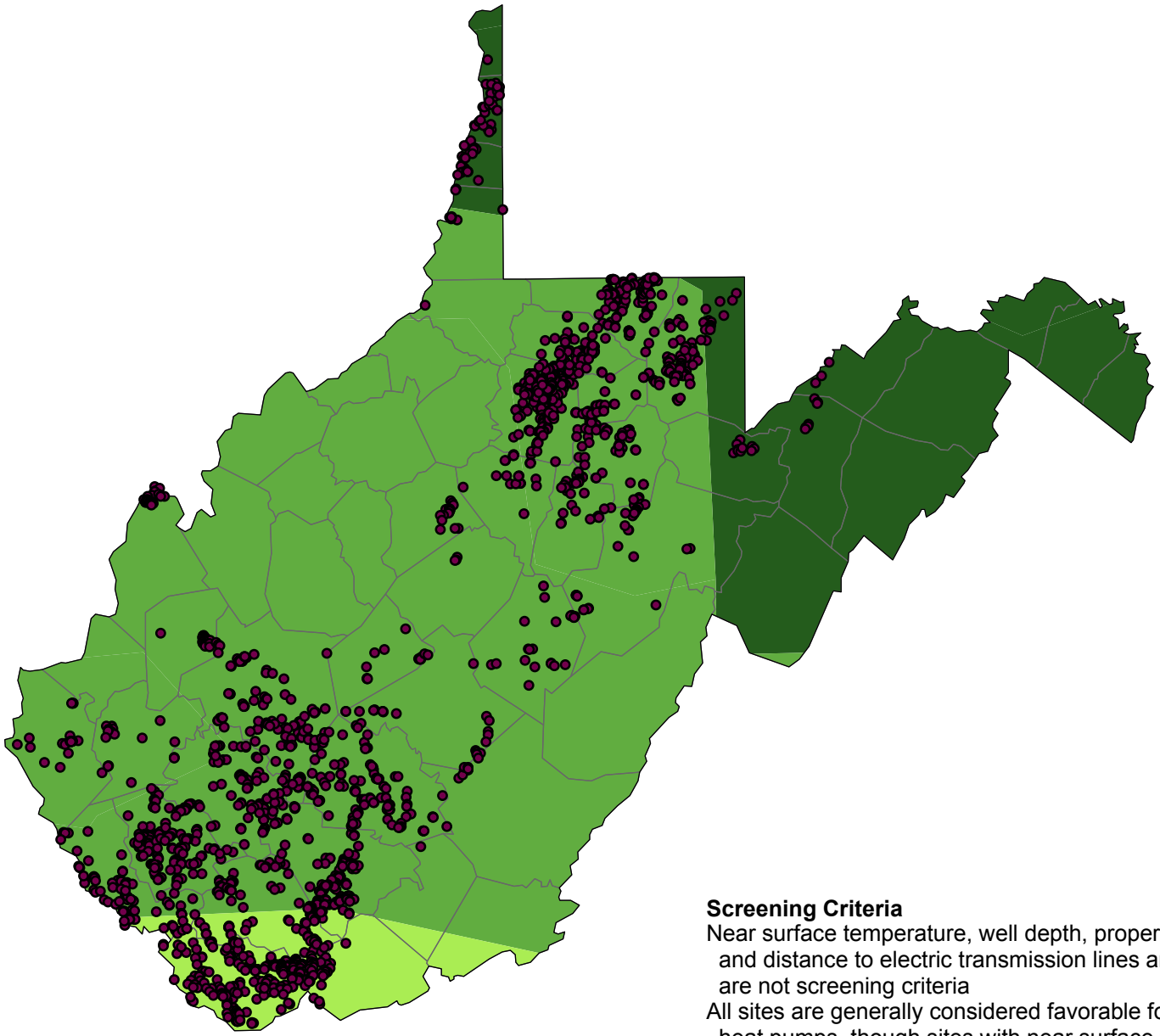
Abandoned Coal Mine Areas in West Virginia with Geothermal Heat Pump Siting Potential



Near Surface Temperature (depth range of 15 to 45 meters)

- 6°C
- 8°C
- 10°C
- 12°C
- 14°C
- 16°C
- 18°C
- 20°C
- 22°C
- 24°C
- 26°C

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Screening Criteria

Near surface temperature, well depth, property size, and distance to electric transmission lines and roads are not screening criteria

All sites are generally considered favorable for geothermal heat pumps, though sites with near surface temperatures of 10°C to 24°C are preferred

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