Subject: Re: AVHRR Image Mapping Problem Posted by David Fanning on Fri, 15 Dec 2006 21:42:45 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

kuyper@wizard.net writes:

- > I would guess that the vector data is stored as latitude and longitude,
- > and converted automatically to the current projection. The vector data
- > could be inaccurate, but the more plausible assumption is that the real
- > parameters of the Albers projection used to create the raster data are
- > different from the documented values of those parameters; that's the
- > possibility I was trying to explore.

This is pretty much my take on the problem, too. I can believe the vector data supplied with IDL could be inaccurate (I used the low-resolution data and not the high), but the fact that the GSHHS high resolution vector data shows the same problem leads me to think it is a map projection problem of some sort.

I guess one other possibility is that the parallels are correct, but the corners of the image are not. (I did verify that the numbers I use are the same as those listed in the documentation.) But changing numbers in a random way reminds me too much of object graphics programming to get too excited about THAT possibility. :-(

Cheers,

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Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")