



Plan of Study for the Regional Aquifer Systems Analysis of the Michigan Basin: Usgs Open-File Report 86-494

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