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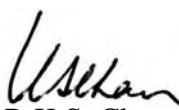
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PREFACE

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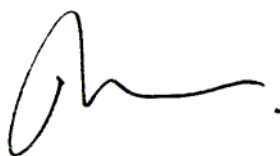


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FOREWORD

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ABSTRACT

This report presents a summary of the factual information on rainfall and landslides in Hong Kong throughout 2004. Rainfall information was obtained from the Geotechnical Engineering Office (GEO) and the Hong Kong Observatory (HKO). Details of most of the landslides were obtained from the records of incidents reported to the GEO. Supplementary information was collected from the Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department, Architectural Services Department, Drainage Services Department, Fire Services Department, Highways Department, Housing Department, Lands Department, Water Supplies Department and the GEO's landslide investigation consultants, namely Fugro Scott Wilson Joint Venture and Maunsell Geotechnical Services limited.

Rainfall at the HKO's Principal Raingauge at Tsim Sha Tsui in 2004 amounted to 1739 mm. This was about 21% lower than the mean rainfall of 2214 mm recorded between 1961 and 1990, and it was the seventeenth driest year in Hong Kong since records began in 1884. One Black Rainstorm Warning and two Red Rainstorm Warnings were issued on 8 May 2004, and 16 Amber Rainstorm Warnings were issued between 30 March 2004 and 21 September 2004.

Two Landslip Warnings were issued between 17 July 2004 and 29 August 2004. A total of 74 incidents that occurred in 2004 was reported to the Government. Of these, 69 were classified as genuine landslides. Of the 69 genuine landslides, one was a major failure with a failure volume of about 350 m³.

No injury or fatality was reported as a result of the landslide incidents that occurred in 2004. Notable consequences of the landslides included the temporary evacuation of three squatter dwellings. Four landslides resulted in the temporary closure of sections of roads and footpaths.

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1. INTRODUCTION

This report presents a summary of the factual information on rainfall and landslides that occurred in Hong Kong throughout 2004. Rainfall information was obtained from the Geotechnical Engineering Office (GEO) of the Civil Engineering & Development Department (CEDD) and from the Hong Kong Observatory (HKO). Details of most of the landslides were obtained from the records of incidents reported to the GEO. Supplementary information was collected from the Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department (AFCD), Architectural Services Department (Arch SD), Drainage Services Department (DSD), Fire Services Department (FSD), Highways Department (HyD), Housing Department (HD), Lands Department (Lands D), Water Supplies Department (WSD) and the GEO's landslide investigation consultants, namely Fugro Scott Wilson Joint Venture (FSW) and Maunsell Geotechnical Services limited (MGS).

In this report, a landslide is defined as the detachment or excessive displacement of soil or rock mass, and includes failure of fill slope, cut slope, retaining wall, natural hillside, disturbed terrain, together with rockfall and boulder fall. A 'major' landslide is defined as a failure in which the estimated/recorded volume of the detached or displaced mass is $\geq 50 \text{ m}^3$, or where a fatality has occurred. A 'very minor' landslide is defined as a failure that is small in scale (i.e. $\leq 5 \text{ m}^3$ for failure involving soil or $\leq 0.1 \text{ m}^3$ for rockfall/boulder fall) and does not give rise to notable consequences (e.g. casualty, 'near-miss', evacuation of buildings or squatter dwellings, road closure, nuisance to the public, etc.). Landslide that is not classified as 'major' landslide or 'very minor' landslide is taken as 'minor' landslide. This report presents rainfall and landslide information throughout the year rather than highlighting any specific rainstorms or landslides.

Diagnosis of the landslides occurred in 2004 and review of areas that warrant attention will be presented in a separate report.

2. RAINFALL

2.1 The Raingauge System

The GEO, in cooperation with the HKO, operates an automatic raingauge system that transmits real-time rainfall data through either telephone lines or General Packet Radio Service (GPRS), viz. a wireless transmission technology, to the GEO and HKO at five-minute intervals. During 2004 this system comprised 86 GEO raingauges and 24 HKO raingauges. The locations of the raingauges are shown in Figure 1. The raingauges are of the tipping-bucket type, tipping every 0.5 mm of rainfall.

2.2 Rainfall Records

The data from the raingauge system are checked, verified and stored by the GEO in an Oracle database, from which they can be extracted and analysed. This report presents a selection of rainfall parameters for the year, for individual month and individual rainstorm. Further analyses can be carried out for specific tasks if required.

The weather in 2004 was described by the HKO, in the Monthly Weather Summary for December 2004 (HKO, 2005), as follows:

“Globally, the year 2004 was the fourth warmest year since instrumental temperature record began in 1861. In Hong Kong, 2004 was the ninth warmest year on record. The annual mean temperature was 23.4 degrees, 0.4 degree above normal. In June 2004, the rain-bearing monsoon trough spent less time near the South China coast, resulting in more sunshine and hence higher temperatures in Hong Kong. This made June 2004 the eighth hottest June on record. The northeast monsoon was also weak during the last two months of the year, giving rise to above-normal temperatures in Hong Kong in these two months.”

“Three tropical cyclones affected Hong Kong this year, about half of the normal figure. Most of the tropical cyclones originating from the western North Pacific moved north or northeast on approaching Luzon and Taiwan and did not enter the South China Sea. They therefore failed to bring the usual rainfall to Hong Kong. The monsoon trough also brought less than normal rainfall to Hong Kong in May and June. Thus, 2004 turned out to be the seventeenth driest year in Hong Kong since records began in 1884. The annual rainfall of 1738.6 millimetres was 475.7 millimetres or about 21 percent below normal. Similar dry condition was also widespread in southern China.”

“January was cloudier and wetter than usual. The monthly rainfall was 51.0 millimetres, more than double the normal figure. February was warmer and slightly wetter than usual. The deluge from a rainstorm late in the month made March wetter than usual. The monthly rainfall was 104.3 millimetres, about 56 per cent more than the normal figure. In contrast to the first three months, April was slightly drier than usual.”

“Although May was drier than usual, the heavy downpour on 8 May led to the issuance of a Black Rainstorm Warning - the first such warning since September 2001. There were also reports of a tornado in the eastern part of Hong Kong during the rainstorm. The weather of June was warmer, sunnier and drier than usual. The mean temperature of 28.6 degrees was 0.8 degree above normal, the eighth highest for June. The Standby Signal No. 1 was issued for the first time in the year to warn the public of Typhoon Conson in the South China Sea.”

“July was wetter than normal. Tropical Storm Kompasu made a direct hit on Hong Kong, necessitating the issuance of the No. 8 Gale or Storm Warning Signal.”

“Wetter-than-normal conditions continued in August. The Standby Signal No. 1 was issued during the approach of Typhoon Aere.”

“As none of the four tropical cyclones originating from the western Pacific came close to Hong Kong during the month, September was drier than usual. The monthly rainfall of 167.3 millimetres was about 44 percent below the normal figure. October was sunnier and much drier than normal. The monthly rainfall of 2.3 mm amounted to only about 2 percent of the normal figure.”

“November and December were much warmer than usual, except for a cold snap in the last few days of the year. Both months were also very dry. November got 0.4 millimetre of rainfall, about 1 percent of normal, and December got just a trace of rainfall.”

The cumulative rainfall for 2004 of 1739 mm as recorded at the HKO was about 21% lower than the mean rainfall (2214 mm) recorded between 1961 and 1990. The cumulative rainfall for 2004 is compared with the highest, lowest and mean rainfall in Figure 2.

Figures 3a, 3b, 3c and 3d show the total monthly rainfall distribution in 2004.

Figure 4 shows the total annual rainfall distribution during 2004, together with the locations of reported landslides.

2.3 Rainstorms in 2004

The maximum 24-hour, five-hour and one-hour rolling rainfall (with five-minute basic units) for 11 rainstorms in 2004 during which time the daily rainfall exceeded 50 mm at the HKO are given in Table 1, together with the maximum amounts at any of the GEO raingauges. Landslide Potential Index (LPI) for those rainstorms that resulted in the issue of Landslip Warning is also presented. The LPI of a rainstorm indicates the relative severity of the rainstorm in comparison with the most severe rainstorm in the past 20 years in terms of the number of landslides that the rainstorm could lead to. Similar data from selected major rainstorms in recent years are included for comparison. Also included in Table 1 are the 4-day and 15-day antecedent rainfall at the HKO and the number of reported landslides.

Figures 5 to 15 show isohyets of the maximum rolling 24-hour rainfall during these 11 storms, together with the landslide locations and the locations and values of maximum rainfall for durations ranging from five minutes to 48 hours.

Two storms generated significant numbers of landslides. The storms of 8 and 9 May 2004, and 29 and 30 August 2004 generated 10 and 12 reported landslides respectively. No other storms produced more than four reported landslides.

There were 22 storms that generated more than 50 mm of rainfall in 24 hours if all the GEO raingauges are considered (including the 11 storms summarised in Table 1). The corresponding rainfall parameters for these 22 storms are shown in Appendix A, Table A1.

2.4 Warnings Issued by the Hong Kong Observatory

Table 2 summarises the details of the Thunderstorm, Flood, Landslip, Tropical Storm and Rainstorm Warnings issued by the HKO and the GEO as appropriate in 2004. One Black Rainstorm Warning and two Red Rainstorm Warnings were issued on 8 May 2004. Sixteen Amber Rainstorm Warnings were issued between 30 March 2004 and 21 September 2004. Two Landslip Warnings were issued between 17 July 2004 and 29 August 2004.

3. LANDSLIDES

3.1 Landslide Occurrence in 2004

The numbers of landslides reported to the GEO and other Government departments in 2004 are summarised in Table 3.

A total of 74 landslides was reported to the various Government departments. These included 60 landslides reported to the GEO and 14 landslides reported only to other Government departments (i.e. AFCD, Arch SD, DSD, FSD, HyD, HD, Lands D and WSD). Of these 74 landslides, 69 were classified as genuine landslides (see Appendix B). The other reported incidents either did not involve landslides (e.g. tree falls) or were of no geotechnical concern (e.g. small surface erosion or washout incidents) and hence were not considered in the analysis below.

Of the 69 genuine landslides, one (1.5%) was a 'major' landslide (see Table B1 in Appendix B), 62 were 'minor' landslides and six were 'very minor' landslides with negligible consequence.

For those landslide incidents inspected by the GEO, the information about the landslides was recorded in GEO Incident Reports (and also in Landslip Cards where major landslides are involved). For those landslide incidents attended to by other Government departments responsible for slope maintenance, landslide incident reports were prepared by the respective departments to document the relevant information. The above information, together with the scanned images of all incident reports and Landslip Cards prepared by the GEO and other Government departments, has been uploaded onto the Slope Information System (SIS), which is accessible by the general public through computer terminals in the GEO. Further details of these failures can be found in the incident files of the three District Divisions and the Landslip Preventive Measures Division 1 of the GEO.

Wherever possible, the dates and times of the landslides were assessed by geotechnical professionals of the GEO. Some of the incidents were not reported to the GEO or other Government departments until several days or weeks after they had occurred. For these cases, it is difficult to determine the exact time of occurrence. Of the 69 genuine landslides, the times of occurrences were established to within a day for 50 incidents.

It should be noted that there were almost certainly other landslides that were not reported to the Government, many of which probably occurred in remote areas with no immediate consequences.

3.2 Consequence of Landslides

3.2.1 General

The consequence of landslides in terms of number of landslide incidents affecting various types of facilities (e.g. buildings, roads, etc.) in different regions is shown in Table 4. It should be noted that a failure may affect more than one type of facility.

Significant consequences of landslides (e.g. casualties, evacuation of buildings or squatter dwellings, closure of roads, etc.), as classified with respect to the type of slope failure, are presented in Table 5.

The distribution of the different facility groups affected by major landslides is shown in Table 6. The only major landslide incident (in term of failure volume) in 2004 affected a consequence-to-life category 3 facility (WBTC 13/99), which was a Group 5 facility in accordance with the GEO's New Priority Classification Systems for slopes and retaining walls (Wong, 1998). There was no notable landslide incident in 2004 in term of landslide consequence.

3.2.2 Buildings

Four landslides affected buildings, none of which was major. No serious consequence was reported.

3.2.3 Roads and Transport Facilities

Six minor landslides affected sections of roads. Two of these landslides resulted in temporary road closures.

3.2.4 Squatter Dwellings

A squatter dwelling is defined as a place of residence that contains one or more "tolerated squatter structures", i.e. structures built for domestic purpose or non-domestic purpose and registered in the 1982 Housing Department's Squatter Structure Survey (GEO, 2004).

Six minor landslides affected squatter dwellings. Two of these resulted in the temporary evacuation of three squatter dwellings (comprising nine tolerated squatter structures).

3.2.5 Construction Sites

Two landslides affected active construction sites. None of these was major.

3.2.6 Catchwaters and Reservoirs

One minor landslide affected a catchwater. No serious consequence was reported.

3.2.7 Other Facilities

Other facilities affected by landslides included pedestrian pavements, a school, footpaths, access roads, carparks, back-lanes, open areas, a nullah, etc. Sixteen landslides (none of which was major) affected pedestrian pavements, footpaths and access roads. Of these 16 landslides, two resulted in the temporary closure of sections of footpaths. Thirty-four landslides affected a school, carparks, back-lanes, open areas, a nullah, etc. Of these landslide incidents, one was a major failure that affected an open area.

3.3 Types of Slope Failures

3.3.1 General

Genuine landslides reported to the GEO and other Government departments have been classified into five types of slope failures, i.e. fill slope, cut slope, retaining wall, natural hillside and registered Disturbed Terrain. The numbers of different types of slope failures are shown in Table 7.

3.3.2 Fill Slopes

There were three fill slope failures comprising about 4% of all landslides reported. None of these was a major failure.

3.3.3 Cut Slopes

There were 48 cut slope failures comprising about 70% of all landslides reported. None of these was a major failure.

There were 27 landslides on soil cut slopes, 16 on soil/rock cut slopes and five on rock cut slopes.

3.3.4 Retaining Walls

There were two landslides involving failure of retaining walls, which amounted to about 3% of all landslides reported. None of these was a major failure.

3.3.5 Natural Hillside

There were 15 natural hillside failures comprising about 22% of all landslides reported. One of these was a major failure.

3.3.6 Disturbed Terrain

There was one registered Disturbed Terrain failure comprising about 1.5% of all landslides reported.

3.4 Landslide Volume Distribution

Tables 8 and 9 show the distribution of landslide volumes for all the reported genuine landslides. A total of 52 landslides (about 75%) involved less than 5 m³ of material in each case. One of the reported landslide incidents (about 1.5%) involved a failure volume exceeding 50 m³. This major landslide incident affected a natural hillside and had a failure volume of about 350 m³.

4. CONCLUSIONS

Rainfall at the HKO's Principal Raingauge at Tsim Sha Tsui amounted to 1739 mm in 2004, which was about 21% lower than the mean rainfall recorded between 1961 and 1990. One Black Rainstorm Warning and two Red Rainstorm Warnings were issued on 8 May 2004. Two Landslip Warnings were issued between 17 July 2004 and 29 August 2004. Of the 74 incidents reported to the Government, 69 were genuine landslides. Of these, only one was a 'major' landslide incident with a failure volume of about 350 m³.

None of the landslide incidents in 2004 resulted in injury or death. Notable consequences of landslides in 2004 included the temporary evacuation of three squatter dwellings (comprising nine tolerated squatter structures). Two landslides resulted in the temporary closure of sections of roads and another two resulted in the temporary closure of sections of footpaths.

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Table 1 - Rainfall and Landslides in 2004, Compared with Selected Previous Major Rainstorms

Date ⁽¹⁾ of Rainstorm Event	Maximum Rainfall (mm) ⁽²⁾								LPI ⁽⁴⁾	Number of Landslides ⁽⁵⁾ Reported to GEO
	Hong Kong Observatory (HKO)					GEO Raingauges ⁽³⁾				
	24-hr	5-hr	1-hr	Antecedent		24-hours	5-hours	1-hour		
				4 days	15 days					
8-9 May 2004	122.5	117.5	84	6.5	16	183 (N50)	145 (N25)	96 (N21)	-	10
29-30 Aug 2004 ⁽⁶⁾	119.5	80	28.5	32.5	179	246.5 (N17)	126.5 (N47)	67 (N17)	1	12
16-22 Jul 2004 ⁽⁶⁾	103	48	27	13	47	206.5 (N37)	138.5 (N37)	75.5 (N10)	1	1
29-30 Jul 2004	97	68	35	9	224.5	178 (N50)	143 (N08)	77 (N50)	-	4
30-31 Mar 2004	87	59	27.5	3.5	9	114.5 (H06)	101 (N47)	48 (N09)	-	0
6-7 Aug 2004	77.5	68.5	38.5	36.5	164.5	232.5 (N13)	216.5 (N13)	67.5 (N13)	-	2
21-22 Aug 2004	62.5	40	34.5	10.5	142	100 (N16)	59 (H09)	47 (N50)	-	2
21 Jun 2004	62	45.5	24.5	37.5	75	158 (N19)	139 (N19, N25)	89 (N22)	-	0
19-20 Sep 2004	58	49.5	38.5	6.5	67.5	83.5 (K05)	77 (H21)	64.5 (H21)	-	1
17-18 Apr 2004	55	50.5	40.5	54	58	72.5 (H02)	67.5 (N26)	54 (H02)	-	1
14-15 Apr 2004	51.5	51	26.5	0	112.5	136 (H20)	135 (H20)	87 (N27)	-	1
Selected Major Rainstorms in Previous Years (for comparison only)										
28-29 May 1982	394	153	44	1	11	430	237	111	-	238
17 Jun 1983 ⁽⁶⁾	347	274	69	2	77	460	303	101	N/A ⁽⁷⁾	155
20-21 May 1989 ⁽⁶⁾	388	149	37	28	42	566	224	51	6	378
7-9 May 1992 ⁽⁶⁾	324	196	110	65	71	385	244	110	3	314
15-16 Jun 1993 ⁽⁶⁾	155	129	54	18	275	285	195	111	1	123
4-5 Nov 1993 ⁽⁶⁾	107	31	9	8	8	742	350	94	3	394
1-4 Jul 1997 ⁽⁶⁾	110	49	18	183	380	799	296	125	6	150
8-9 Jun 1998 ⁽⁶⁾	429	164	48	58	181	562	223	98	9	96
22-26 Aug 1999 ⁽⁶⁾	313	143	51	11	175	565	249	121	8	269
Notes: (1) Rainstorms in which rolling 24-hour rainfall at the Hong Kong Observatory, Tsim Sha Tsui, exceeded 50 mm are arranged in order of the intensity of 24-hour rainfall. (2) The maxima are calculated using 5-minute rainfall as the basic unit, except those recorded at the HKO for the previous major rainstorms. They are the rolling rainfall amounts using one-clock hour rainfall as the basic unit. The 1-hour maximum rainfall at the HKO refers to clock hours. (3) The maxima are selected from the 86 GEO Raingauges for the rainstorms. The GEO Raingauge reference number is shown in brackets. (4) Landslide Potential Index (LPI) has been calculated for the rainstorm that resulted in the issue of Landslip Warning. (5) Reported totals are for landslides attributed to the events. (6) Landslip Warnings were issued for these events. (7) LPI is not calculated since comprehensive rainfall data before 1984 are not available.										

Table 2 - Warnings Issued by the Hong Kong Observatory in 2004^(1, 2)

Month	Monthly Total Rainfall (mm)	Dates on which Warnings were in Effect				
		Thunderstorm ⁽³⁾	Flooding	Landslip	Tropical Storm	Rainstorm
January	51.0	-	-	-	-	-
February	51.8	-	-	-	-	-
March	104.3	17, 30, 30-31	-	-	-	30-31 (Amber)
April	147.2	1, 13, 14, 17, 27	-	-	-	14 (Amber), 17 (Amber), 27 (Amber)
May	194.4	4, 8, 14, 27, 28-29, 29, 30	-	-	-	8(2 x Amber, 2 x Red, Black), 14 (Amber)
June	144.7	1, 2, 15, 16, 17, 20-21, 30	-	-	8-9 (1, Conson)	-
July	386.7	1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 10, 10-11, 11, 12, 13, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 26, 27, 28, 29	29	17(05:30) - 17(11:00)	14-16 (1-8, Kompas)	16 (Amber), 17 (Amber), 21 (Amber), 29 (Amber)
August	488.5	4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 11, 12, 14, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 29, 30, 31	11, 29	29(15:30) - 30(06:15)	26-27 (1, Aere)	6 (Amber), 14 (Amber), 29 (2 x Amber)
September	167.3	2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22	9	-	-	21 (Amber)
October	2.3	1	-	-	-	-
November	0.4	-	-	-	-	-
December	0.0	-	-	-	-	-
Total	1738.6	114 Warnings	4 Warnings	2 Warnings	3 Warnings	19 Warnings (16 x Amber, 2 x Red, Black)
Notes: (1) Landslip Warnings were issued after consultation between GEO and HKO. (2) Warnings and signals in this Table were based on HKO. (3) More than one Thunderstorm Warning may have been issued within a day but showed once in this Table for clarity.						

Table 3 - Number of Landslides in 2004 Reported to Government

Department	Total Number of Landslides	Genuine Landslides
Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department	3 (0)	3 (0)
Architectural Services Department	6 (5)	5 (4)
Drainage Services Department	0 (0)	0 (0)
Fire Services Department	0 (0)	0 (0)
Geotechnical Engineering Office, Civil Engineering and Development Department	60*	56
Highways Department	3 (3)	3 (3)
Housing Department	1 (1)	1 (1)
Lands Department	9 (1)	8 (1)
Water Supplies Department	3 (1)	3 (1)
Legend:		
6 (5) Six incidents of which five were reported to the GEO.		
Note: * denotes number of landslides reported to the GEO discounting false alarm, duplicate cases, etc.		

Table 4 - Number of Landslides Affecting Different Facilities

Affected Facility	Hong Kong Island	Kowloon	New Territories and Outlying Islands	All
Squatter Dwellings ⁽¹⁾	0 (0)	1 (0)	5 (0)	6 (0)
Buildings	0 (0)	1 (0)	3 (0)	4 (0)
Roads	3 (0)	1 (0)	2 (0)	6 (0)
Transportation Facilities (railways, tramways, etc.)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Pedestrian Pavements/Footways	2 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	2 (0)
Minor Footpaths/Access	4 (0)	0 (0)	10 (0)	14 (0)
Construction Sites	1 (0)	1 (0)	0 (0)	2 (0)
Open Areas	4 (0)	3 (0)	13 (1)	20 (1)
Catchwaters	0 (0)	0 (0)	1 (0)	1 (0)
Others (e.g. carpark, parks, playgrounds, gardens, backyards, etc.)	3 (0)	1 (0)	10 (0)	14 (0)
<p>Legend:</p> <p>5 (0) Five landslides of which none was a major failure</p>				
<p>Notes:</p> <p>(1) A squatter dwelling is defined as a place of residence that contains one or more “tolerated squatter structures”, i.e. structures built for domestic purpose or non-domestic purpose and registered in the 1982 Housing Department’s Squatter Structure Survey (GEO, 2004).</p> <p>(2) Incidents which are not genuine landslides have been excluded.</p> <p>(3) A given landslide may affect more than one type of facility.</p>				

Table 5 - Landslide Consequence Related to Type of Failure

Type of Failure		Number of Squatter Dwellings ⁽¹⁾ Evacuated		Number of Blocks, Houses or Flats Evacuated or Partially Closed	Number of Closure			Deaths	Injuries
		Permanent	Temporary		Roads	Pedestrian Pavements	Footpaths, Back-lanes, Private Access		
Fill Slope		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cut Slope	Soil	0	1 (7)	0	0	0	1	0	0
	Soil/Rock	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Rock	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Retaining Wall		0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Natural Hillside		0	2 (2)	0	0	0	1	0	0
Registered Disturbed Terrain		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Legned:									
1 (7) Number of squatter dwellings evacuated with the number of tolerated squatter structures evacuated shown in blanket									
Notes: (1) A squatter dwelling is defined as a place of residence that contains one or more “tolerated squatter structures”, i.e. structures built for domestic purpose or non-domestic purpose and registered in the 1982 Housing Department’s Squatter Structure Survey (GEO, 2004). (2) A failure may give rise to more than one type of consequence.									

Table 6 - Distribution of Facility Groups Affected by Major Landslides

	Facility Group Affected by Major Landslides (Group Nos.)						
	1a	1b	2a	2b	3	4	5
All Major Landslides	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Major Landslide on Man-made Slope	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Major Landslide on Natural Hillside	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Notes: (1) Facility groups are classified in accordance with that adopted for the New Priority Classification Systems developed by the GEO (Wong, 1998). (2) A given landslide may affect more than one type of facility.							

Table 7 - Numbers of Reported Landslides Classified by Type of Failure

Type of Failure		Number	Percentage (%)
Fill Slope		3 (0)	4.4
Cut Slope	Soil	27 (0)	39.1
	Soil/Rock	16 (0)	23.2
	Rock	5 (0)	7.2
Retaining Wall		2 (0)	2.9
Natural Hillside		15 (1)	21.7
Registered Disturbed Terrain		1 (0)	1.5
Total		69 (1)	100
Legend:			
15 (1) Fifteen landslides of which one was major failure			
Notes: (1) Where a landslide involved more than one type of failure, the predominant failure type has been adopted in the above classification. (2) Incidents which are not genuine landslides have been excluded.			

Table 8 - Landslide Volume Distribution with Respect to Geographical Locations

Failure Volume (m ³)	Hong Kong Island	Kowloon	New Territories and Outlying Islands	All
<5	16	4	32	52 (75.4%)
≥5 to <10	1	2	1	4 (5.8%)
≥10 to <20	0	1	4	5 (7.2%)
≥20 to <50	0	1	6	7 (10.1%)
≥50 to <200	0	0	0	0 (0%)
≥200 to <500	0	0	1	1 (1.5%)
≥500 to <1000	0	0	0	0 (0%)
≥1000	0	0	0	0 (0%)
Total	17	8	44	69 (100%)
<p>Legend:</p> <p>52 (75.4%) 52 landslides which amount to 75.4% of the 69 genuine landslides reported to Government in 2004</p>				

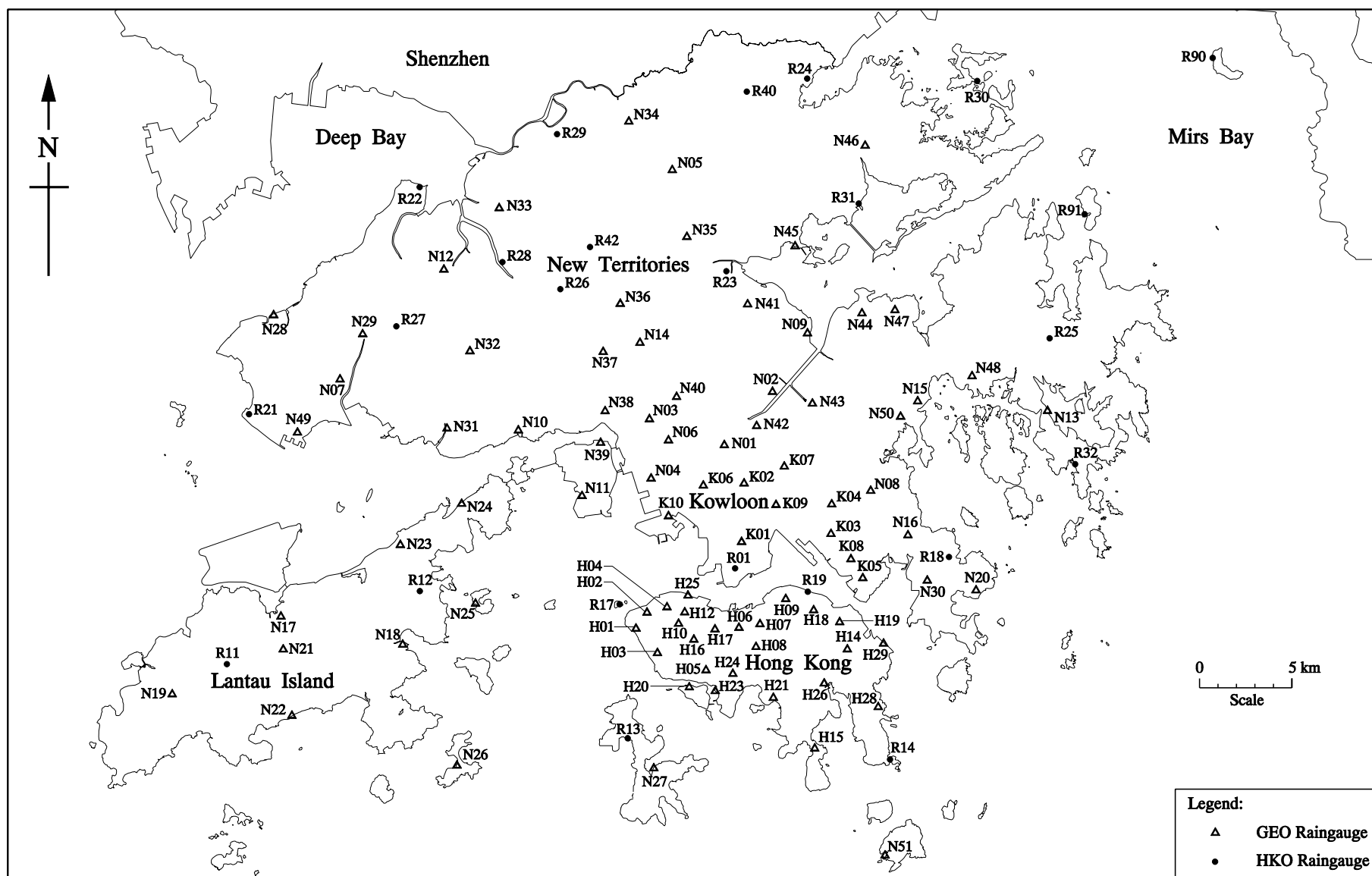
Table 9 - Landslide Volume Distribution with Respect to Type of Failure

Volume of Failure (m ³)	Fill Slope	Cut Slope			Retaining Wall	Natural Hillside	Registered Disturbed Terrain	Total
		Soil Slope	Soil/Rock	Rock				
<5	3	21	12	5	1	10	0	52 (75.4%)
≥5 to <10	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	4 (5.8%)
≥10 to <20	0	0	1	0	0	3	1	5 (7.2%)
≥20 to <50	0	4	1	0	1	1	0	7 (10.1%)
≥50 to <200	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0 (0%)
≥200 to <500	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1 (1.5%)
≥500 to <1000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0 (0%)
≥1000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0 (0%)
Total	3 (4.4%)	27 (39.1%)	16 (23.2%)	5 (7.2%)	2 (2.9%)	15 (21.7%)	1 (1.5%)	69 (100%)
Legend: 52 (75.4%) 52 landslides which amount to about 75.4% of the 69 genuine landslides reported to Government in 2004								

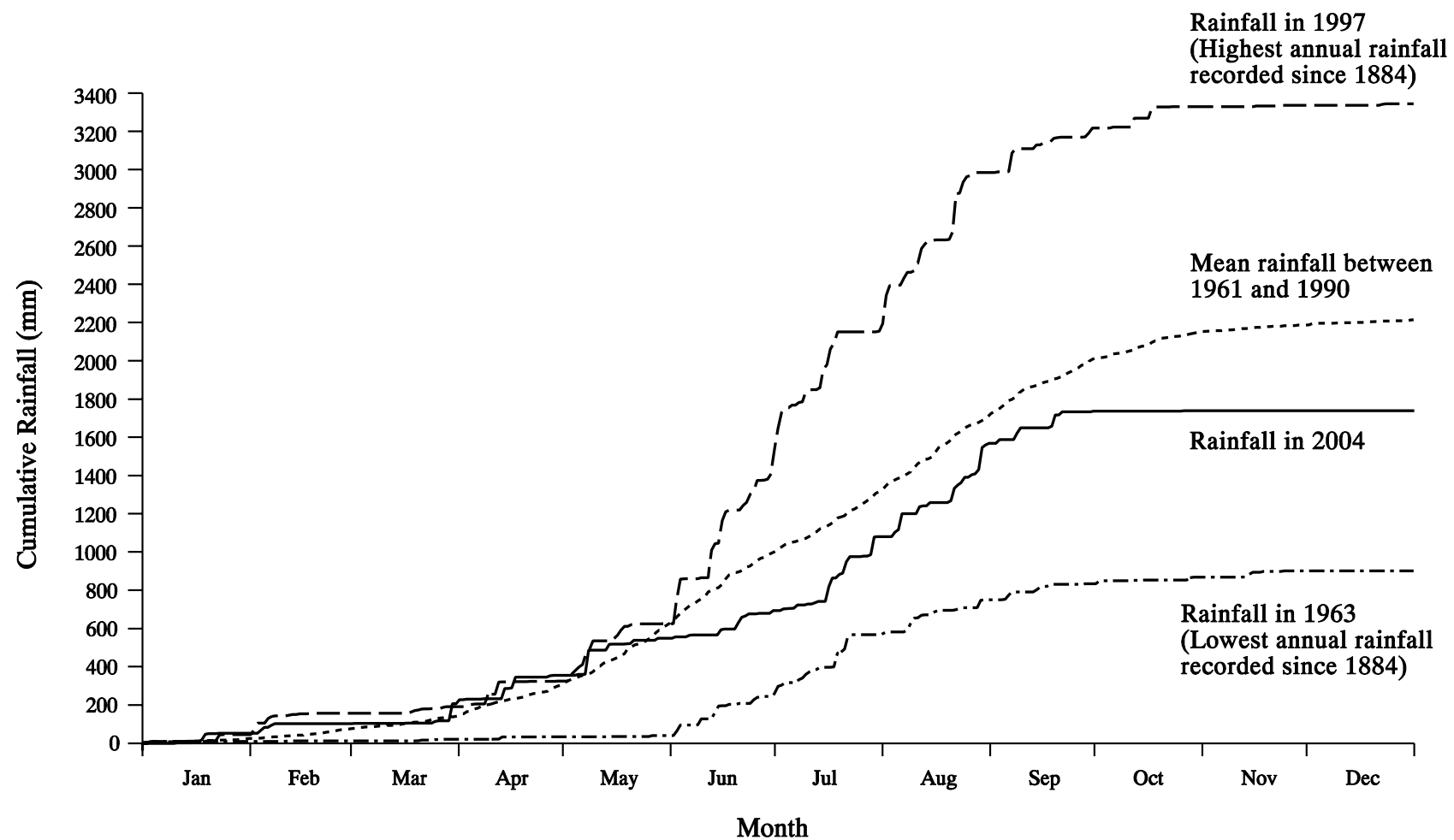
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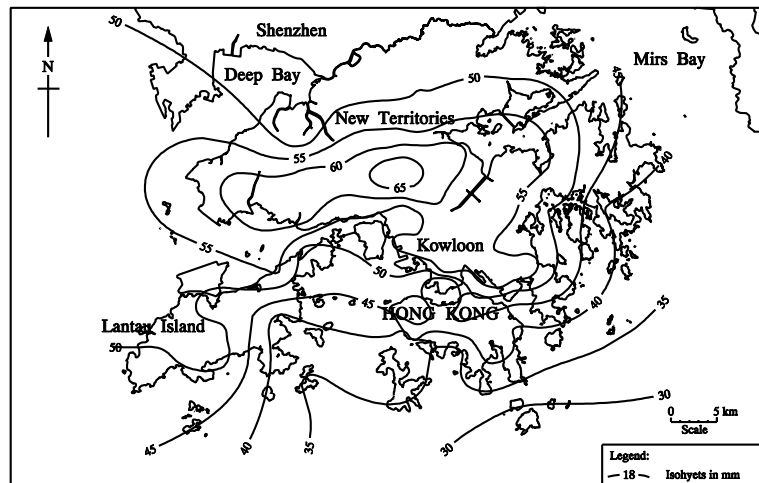


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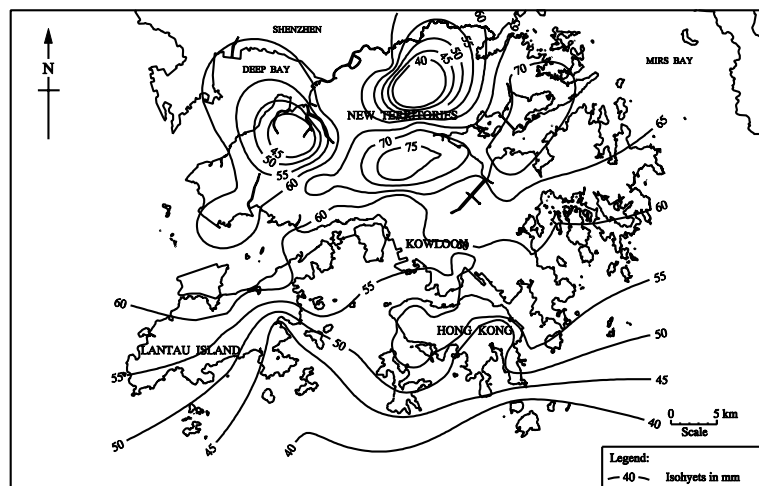


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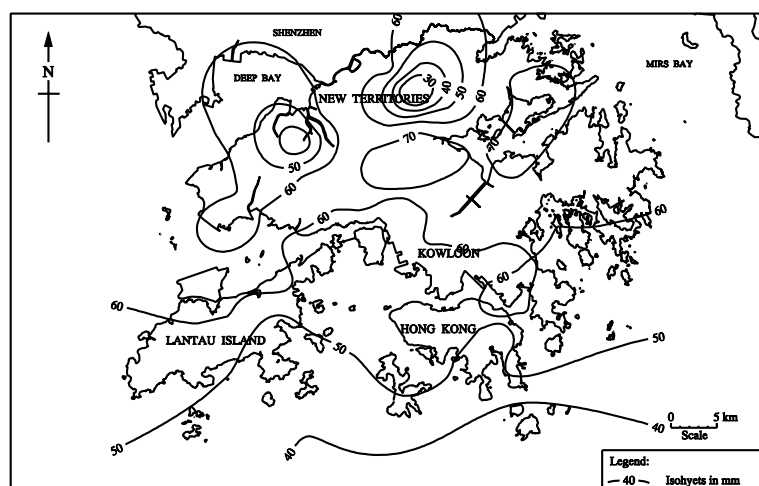
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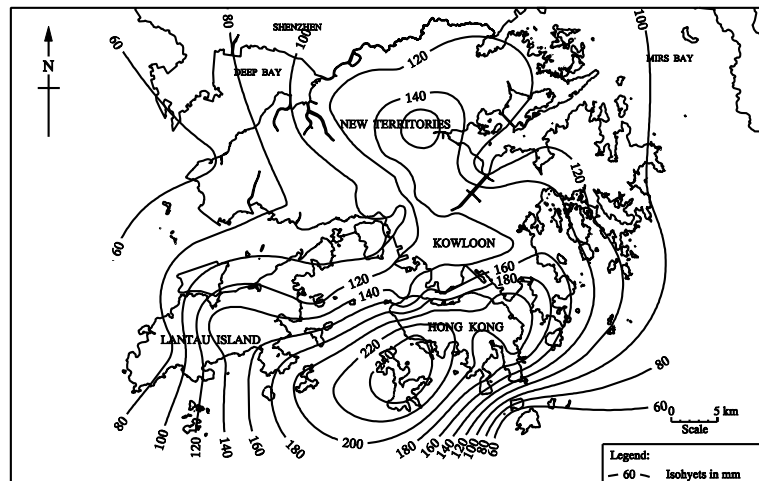
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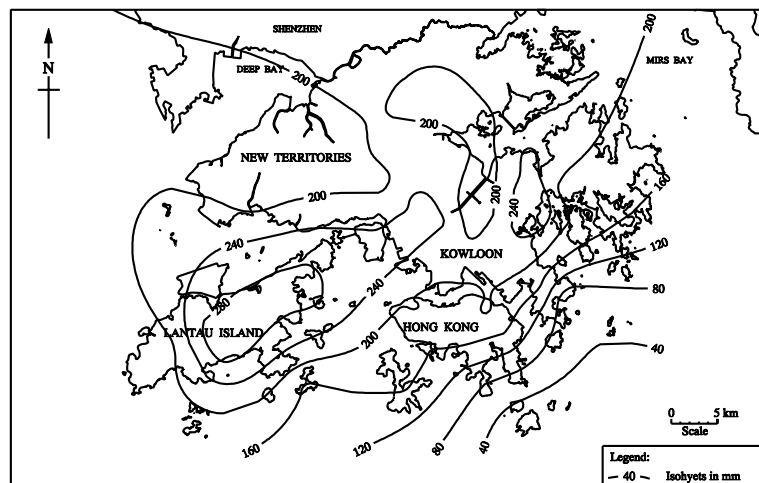
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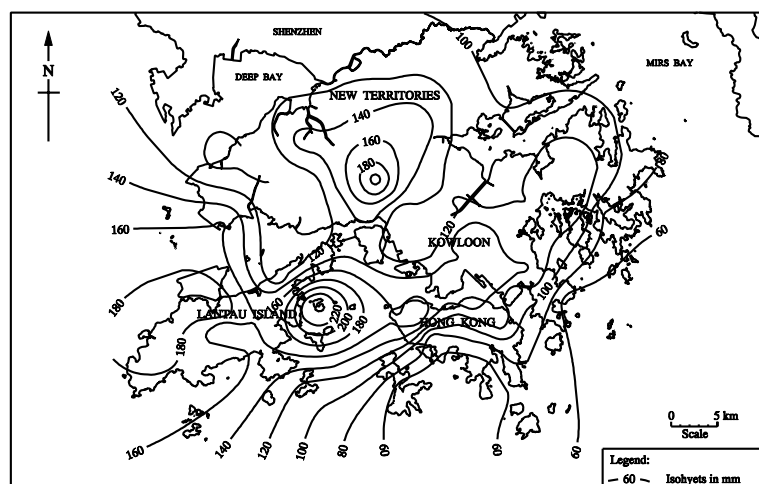
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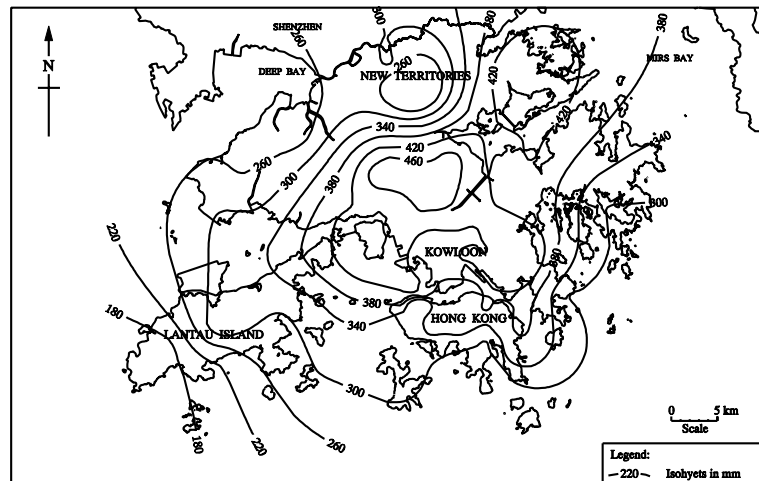
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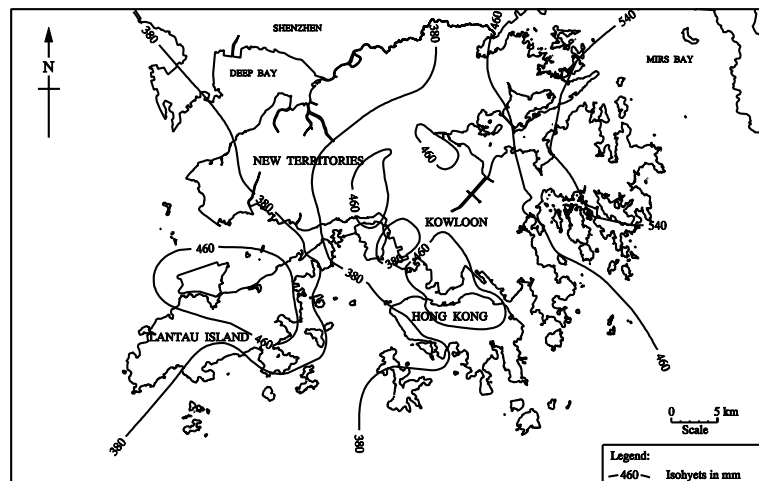
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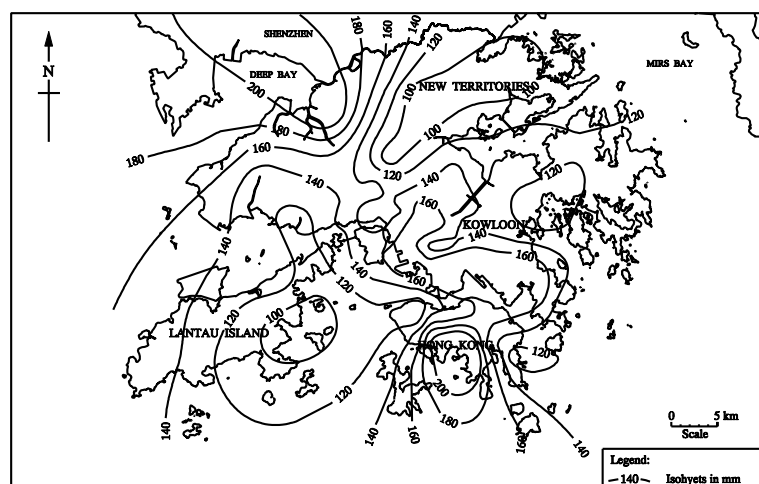
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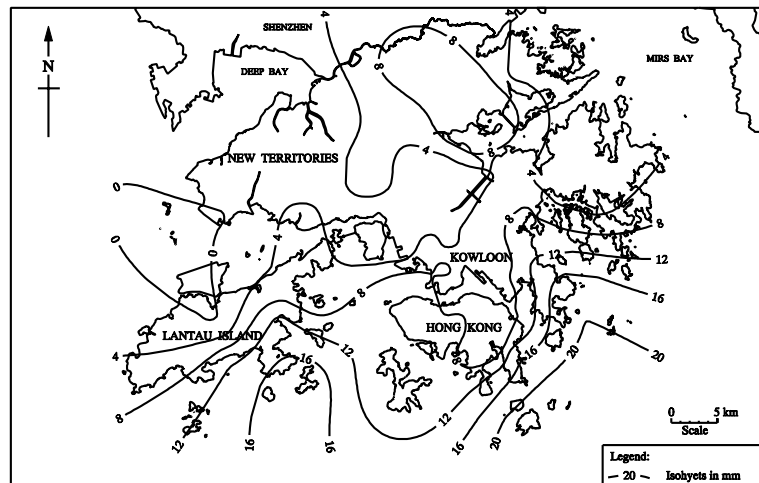
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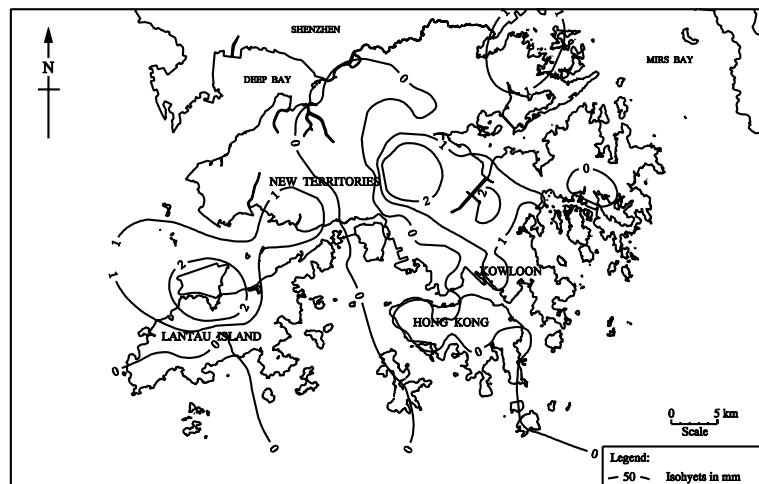
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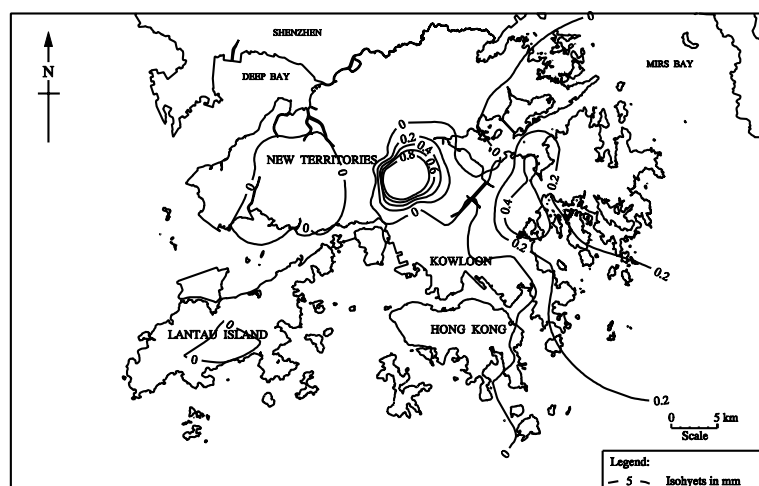
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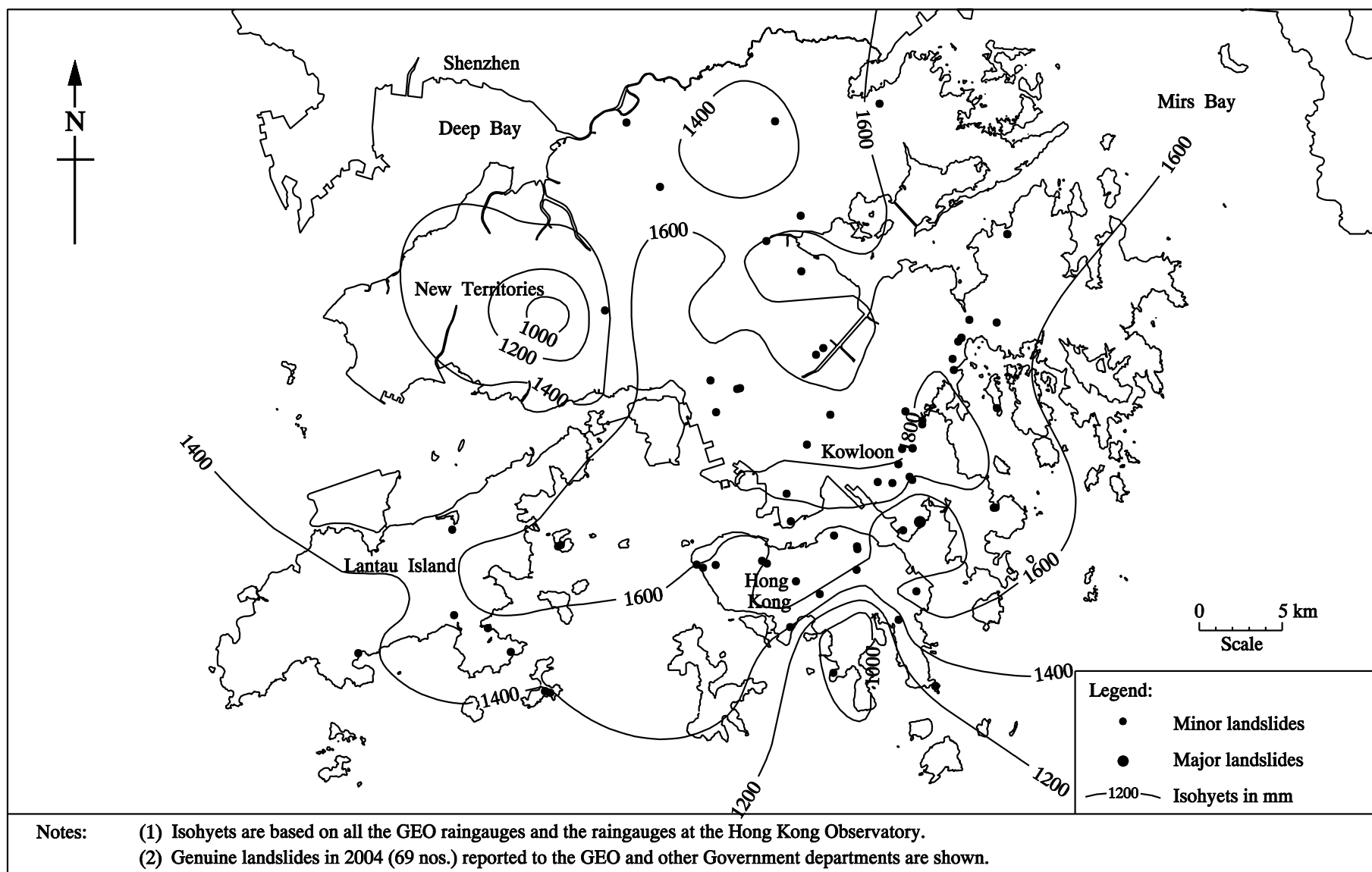


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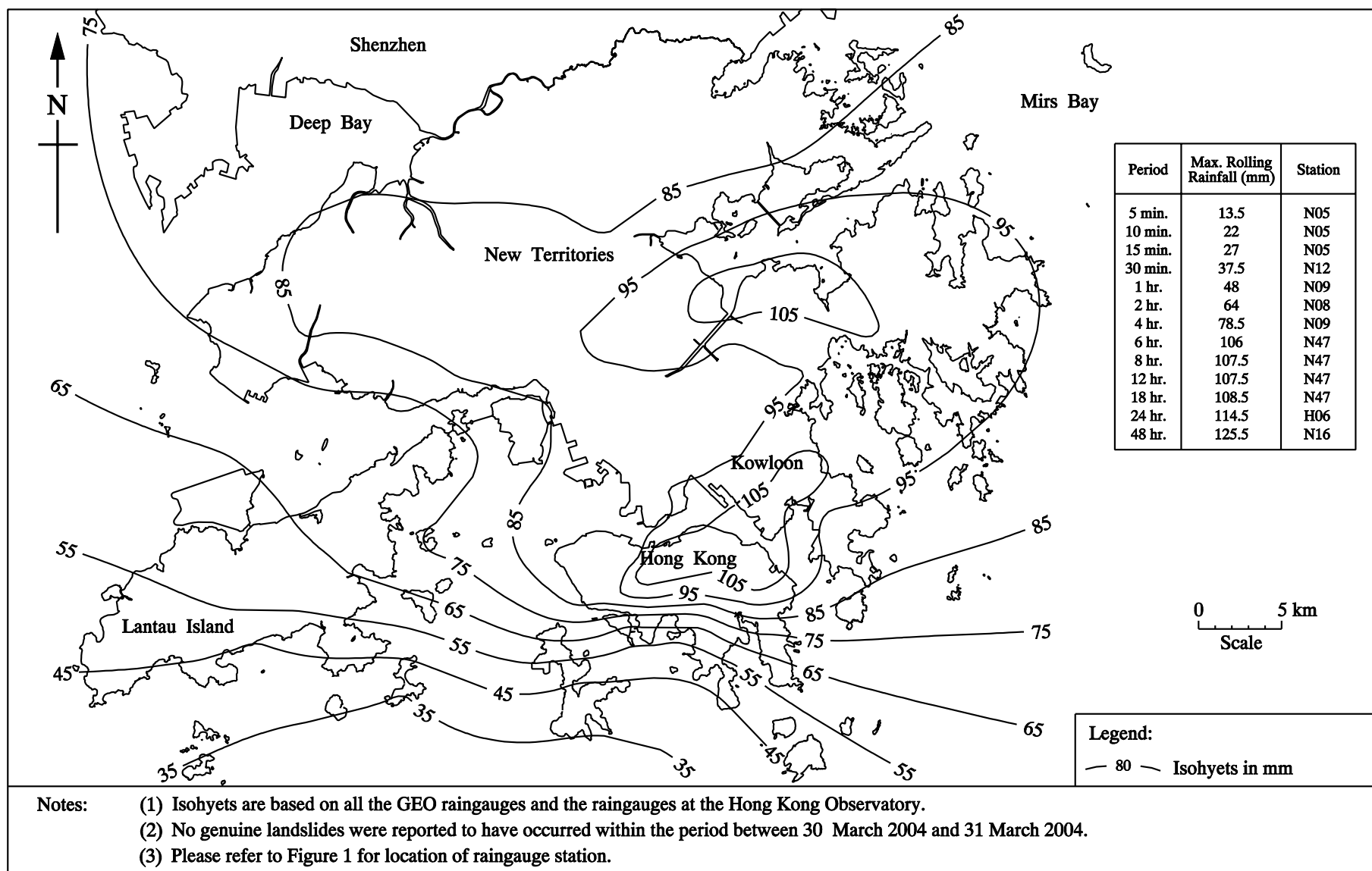


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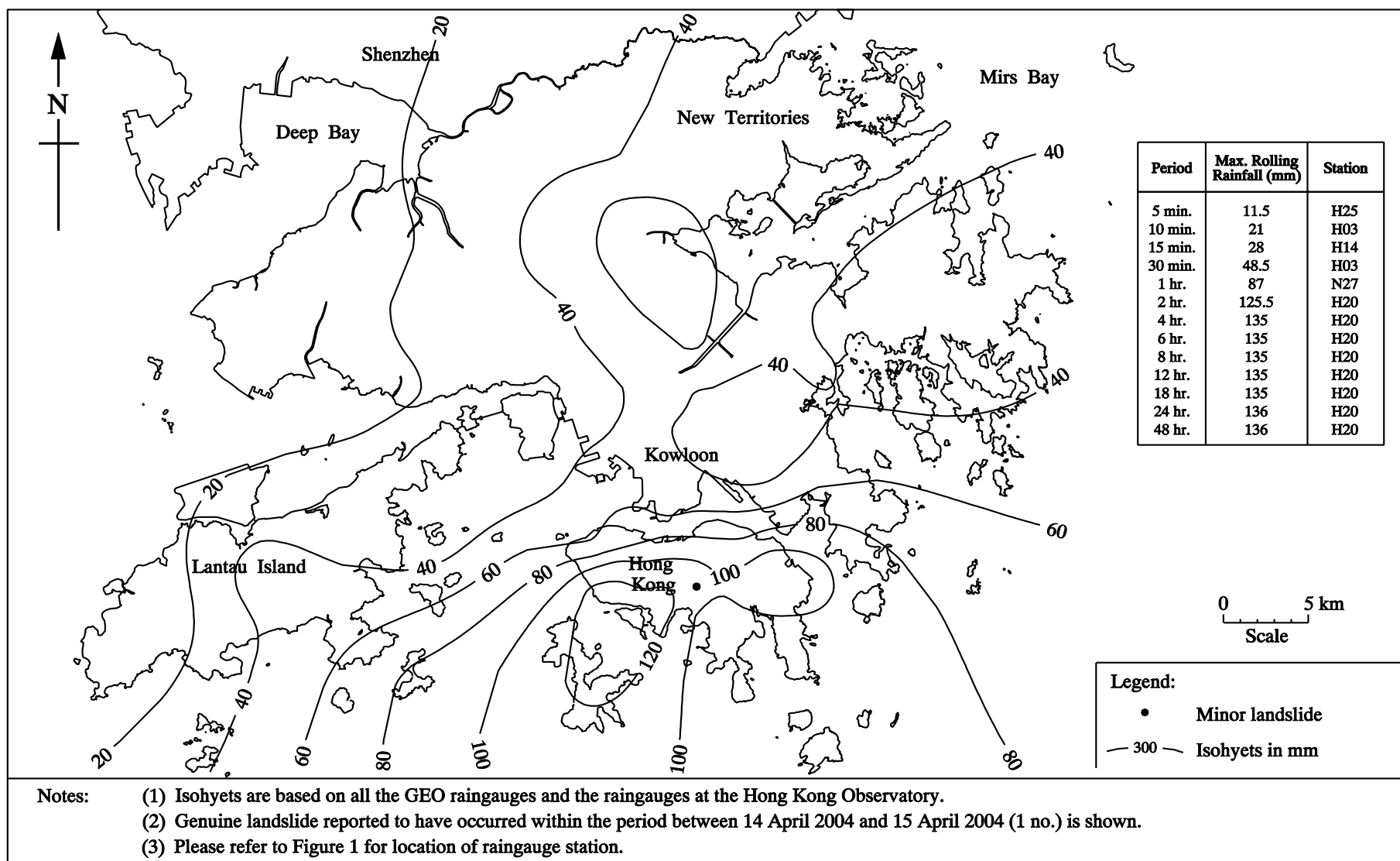


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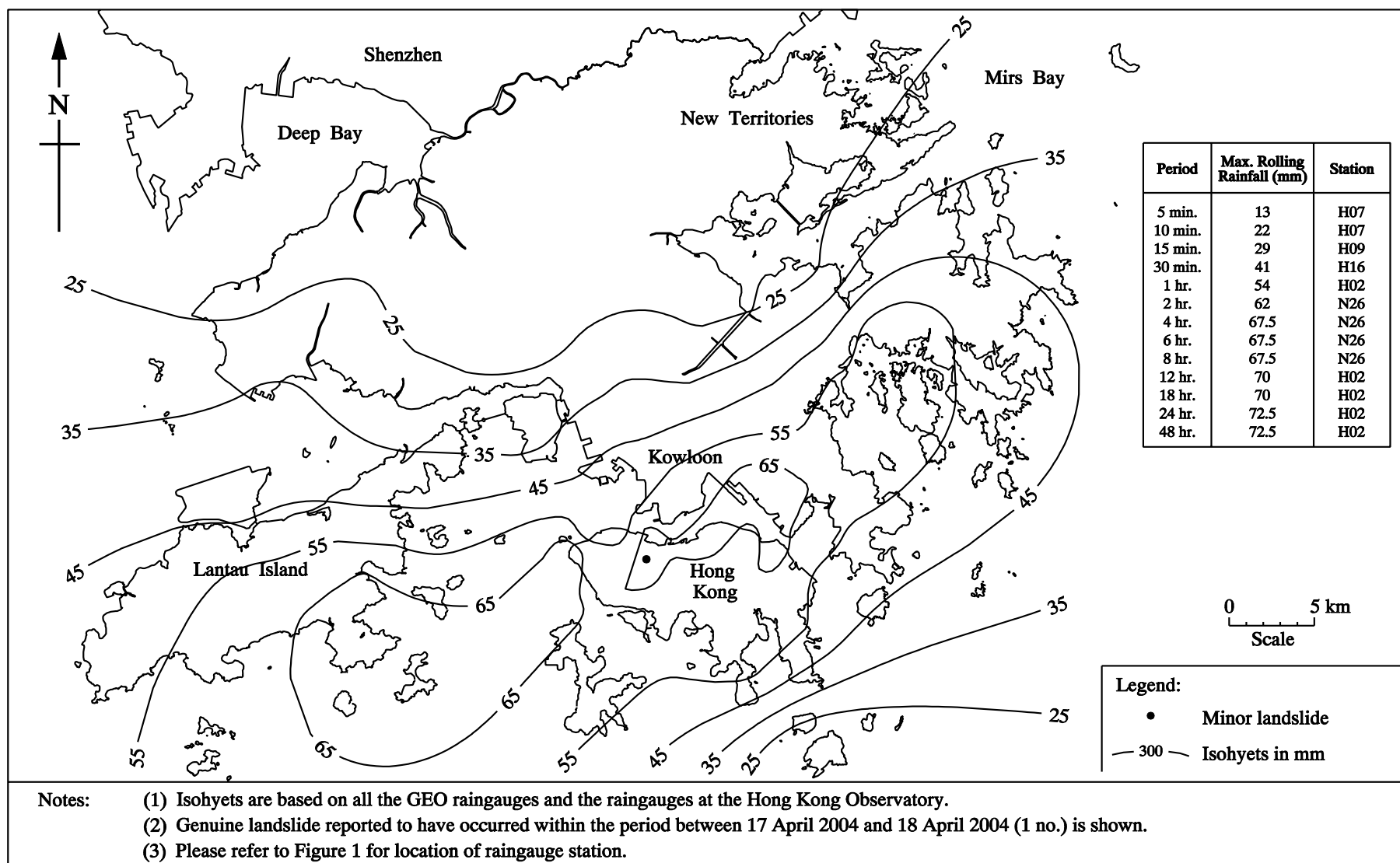


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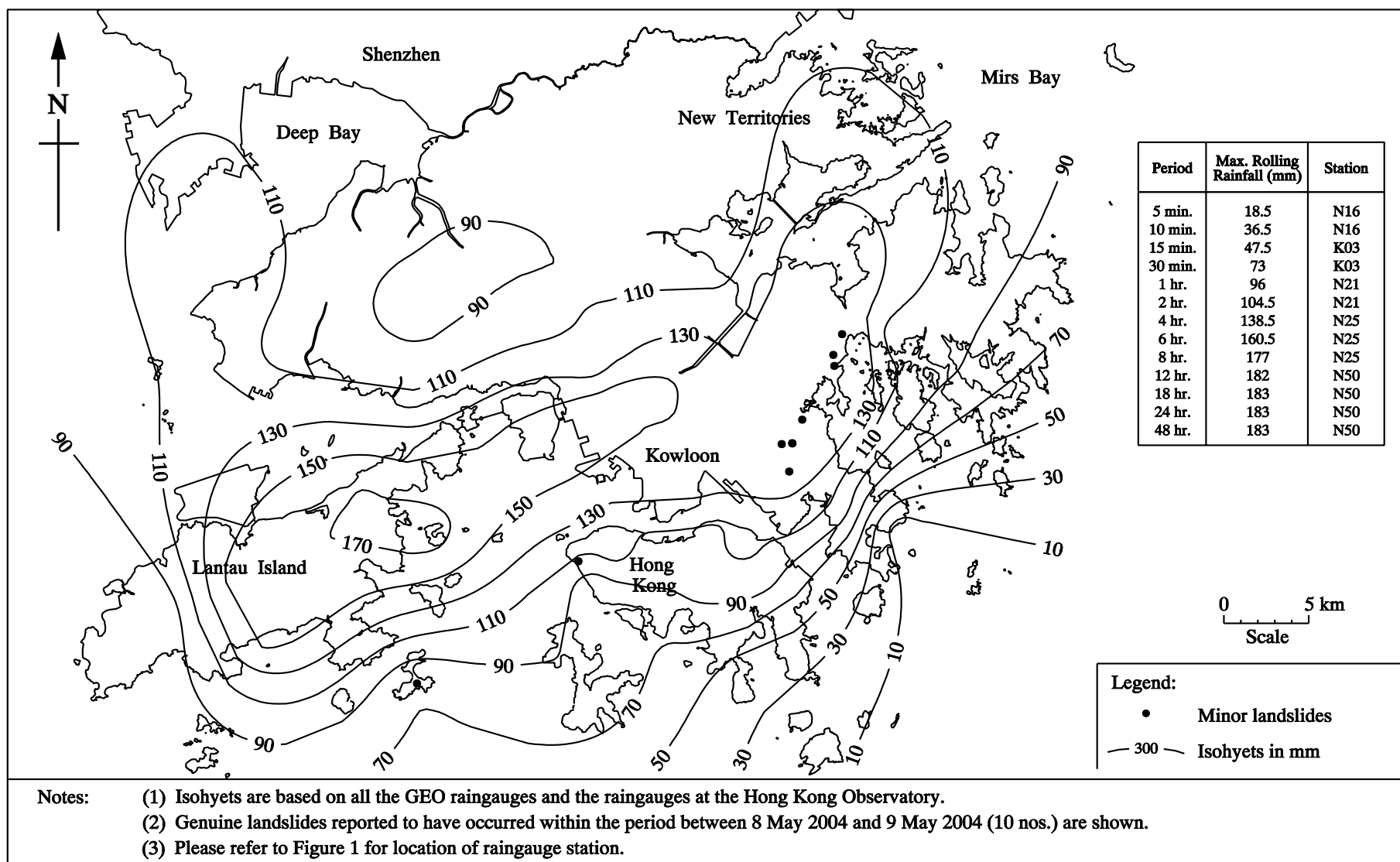


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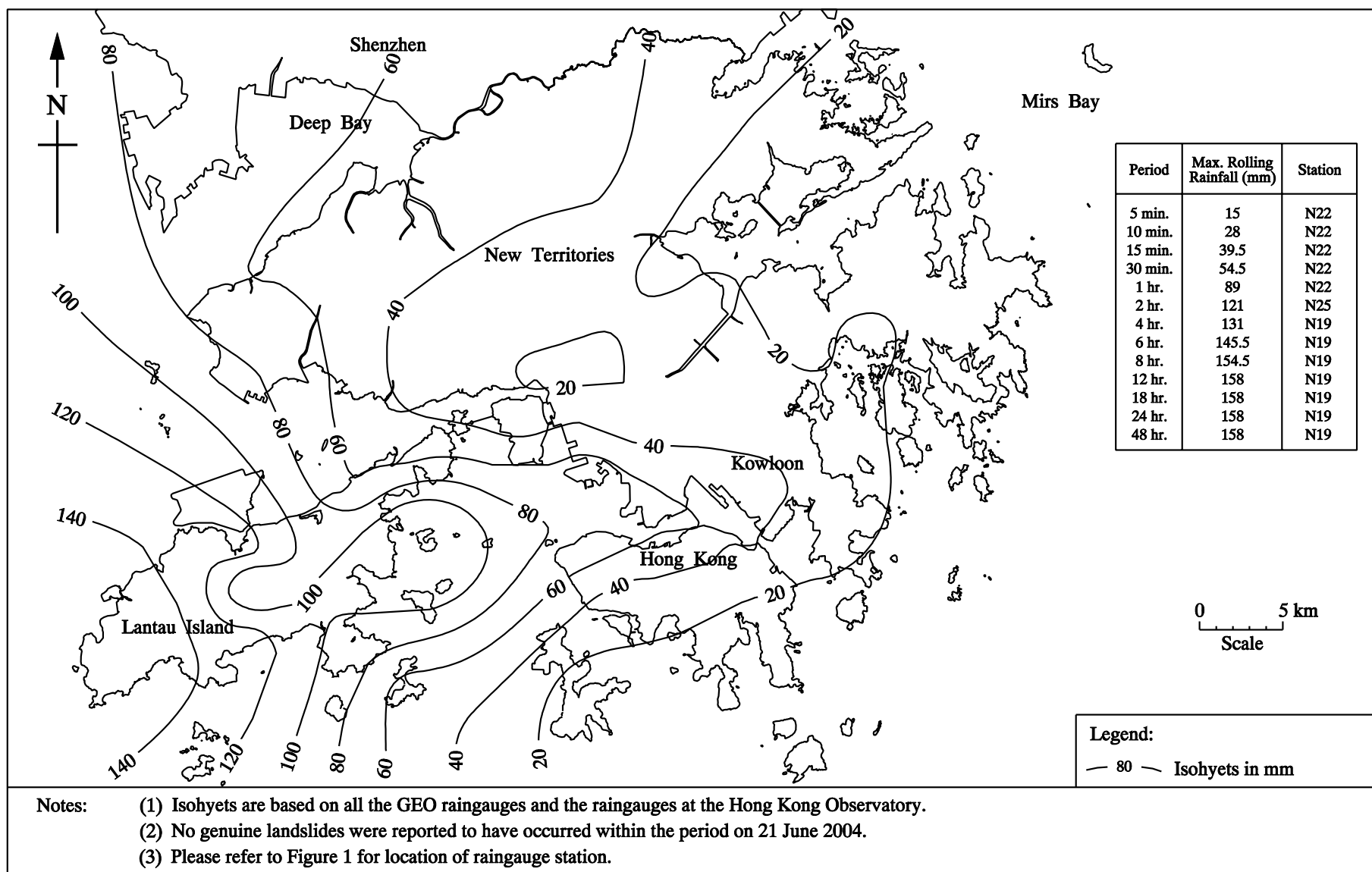


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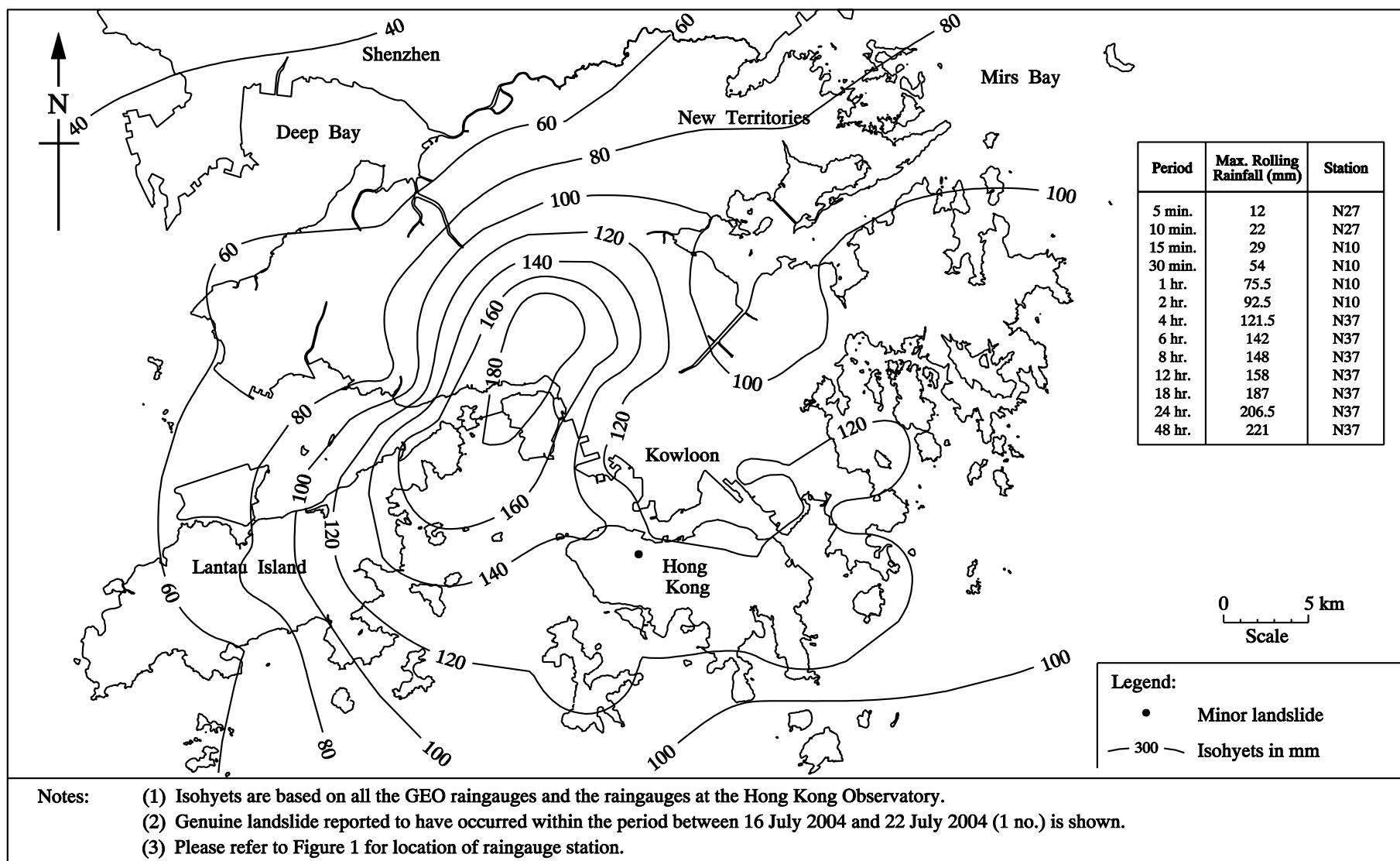


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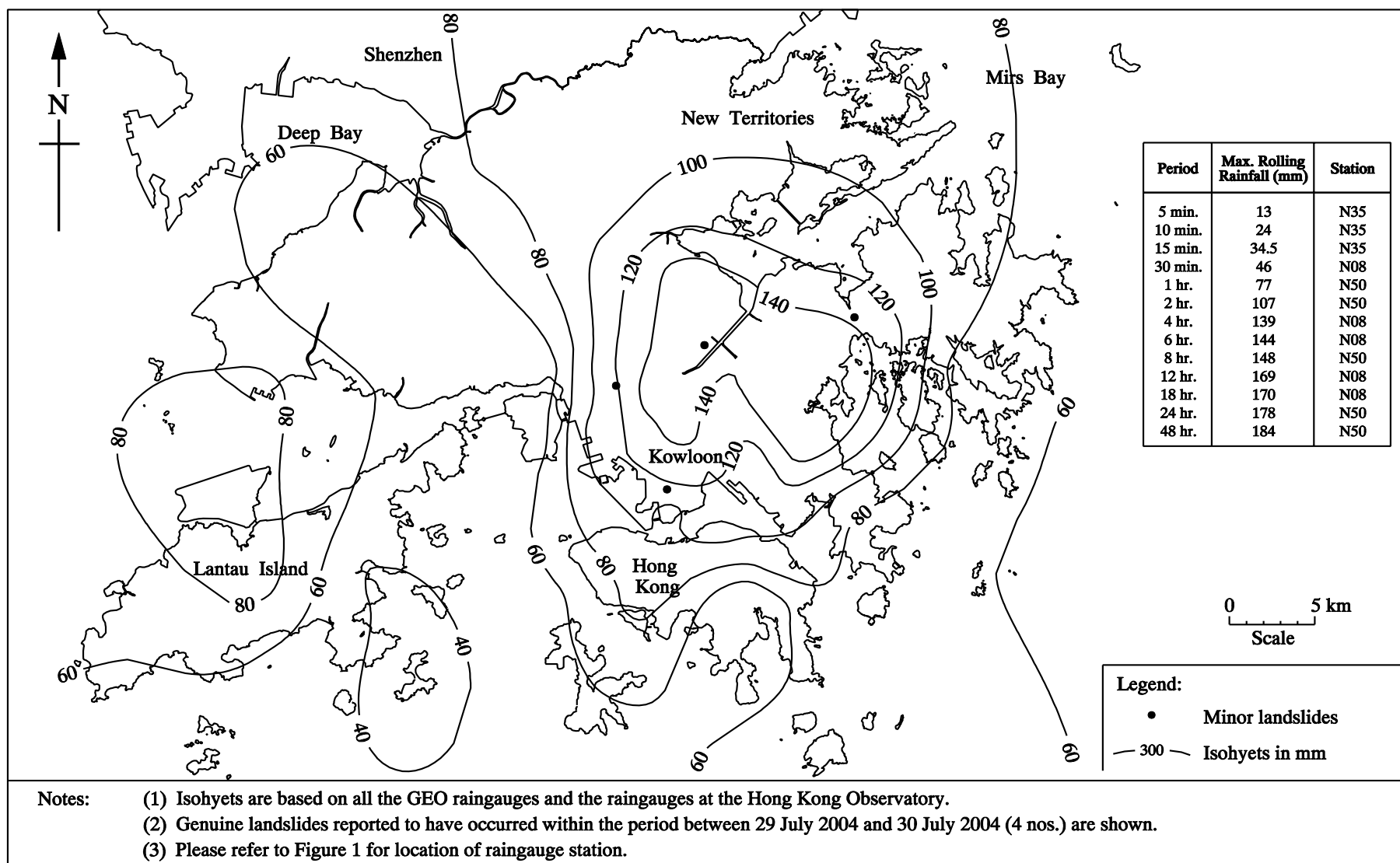


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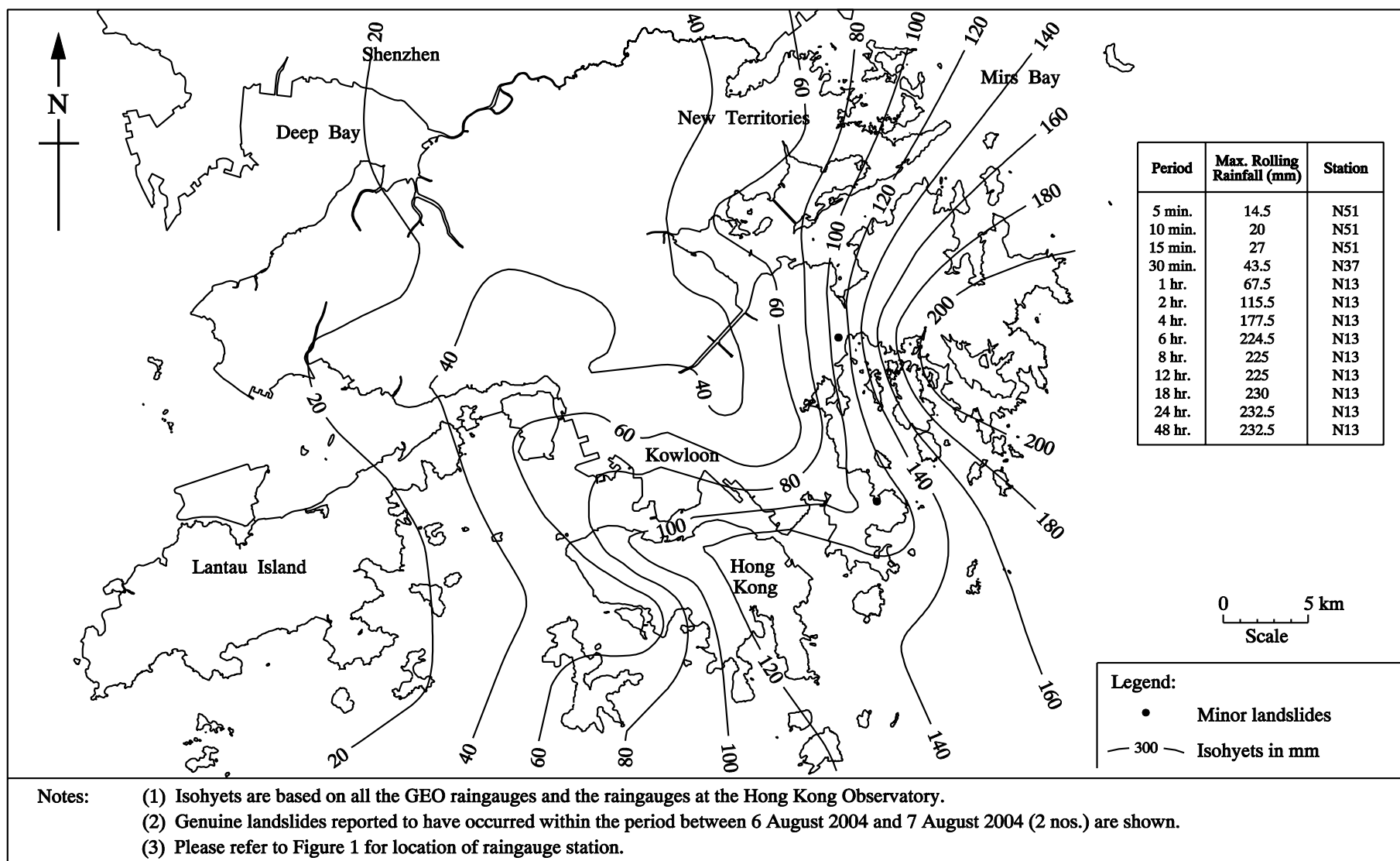


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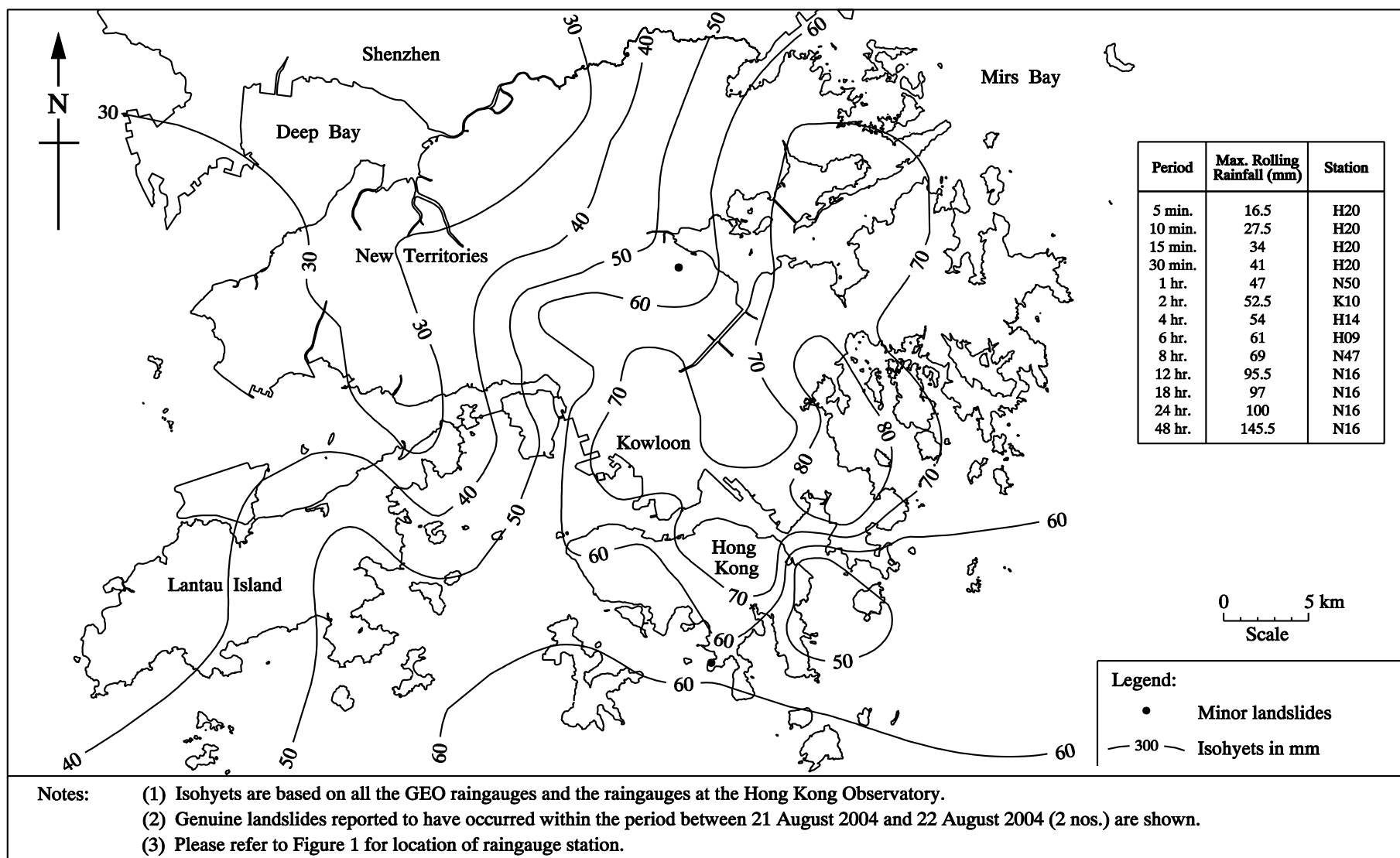


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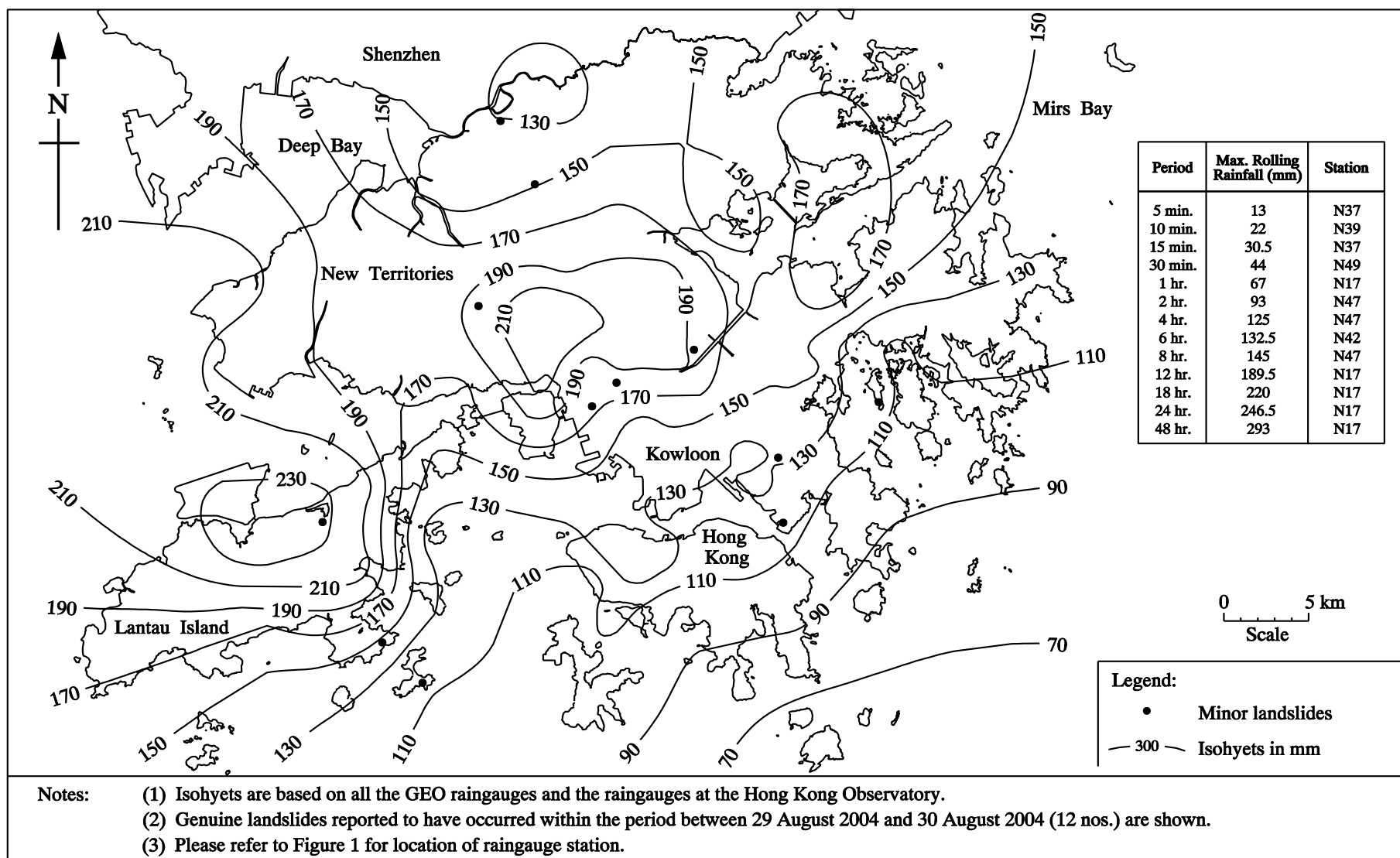


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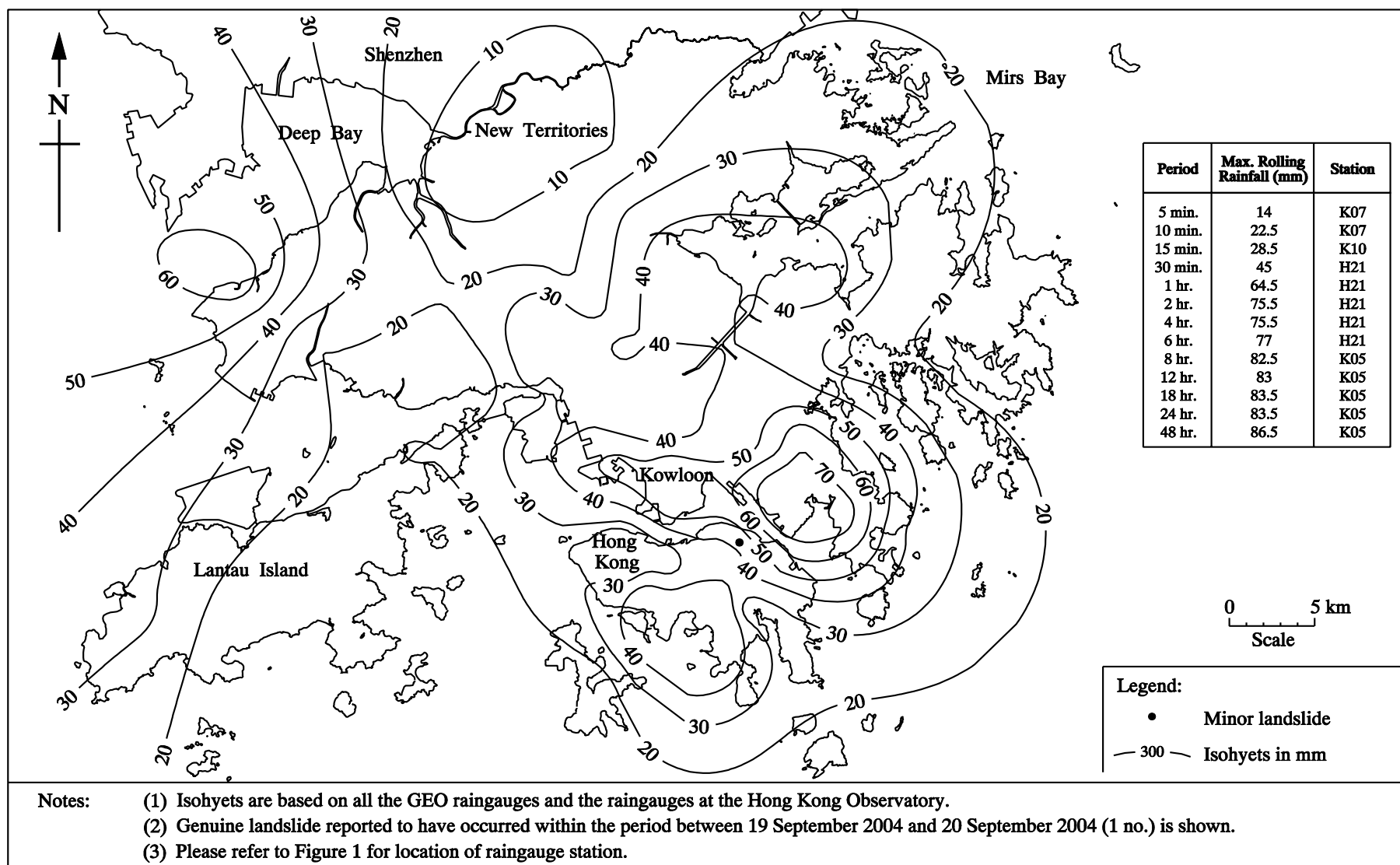


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Rainstorm (2004)		5 min		10 min		15 min		30 min	
		Max. rainfall (mm)	Station	Max. rainfall (mm)	Station	Max. rainfall (mm)	Station	Max. rainfall (mm)	Station
1	19 Jan 2004	5	N23	9.5	N23	11.5	N23	13.5	K03, N23
2	30-31 Mar 2004	13.5	N05	22	N05	27	N05	37.5	N12
3	14-15 Apr 2004	11.5	H25	21	H03	28	H14	48.5	H03, N27
4	17-18 Apr 2004	13	H07, H17, H21	22	H07	29	H09, H17	41	H16
5	27-28 Apr 2004	10.5	N43	20.5	N43	26.5	N43	38.5	N43
6	8-9 May 2004	18.5	N16, N30	36.5	N16	47.5	K03	73	K03
7	14-15 May 2004	12	N25	22	N23	32	N23	44	N23
8	28-29 May 2004	10.5	N34	20	N34	28.5	N34	42.5	N34
9	2-3 Jun 2004	8	H10, K07, K09	15.5	K07	23	K07	32	K07
10	15-16 Jun 2004	13	N48	22	N48	29	N48	48.5	N48
11	20-22 Jun 2004	15	N22	28	N22	39.5	N22	54.5	N22
12	30 Jun 2004 - 1 Jul 2004	10	N37	18.5	N37	25.5	N37	34	N37
13	3-4 Jul 2004	10	K08	16.5	N13	20	N13	30.5	N20
14	16-22 Jul 2004	12	N27	22	N27	29	N10	54	N10
15	29-30 Jul 2004	13	N35	24	N35	34.5	N35	46	N08
16	5-7 Aug 2004	14.5	N51	20	H07, N51	27	N51	43.5	N37
17	11-12 Aug 2004	14	N34	23	N34	33	N34	51	N34
18	14-15 Aug 2004	14	N17	27	N17	34	N17	54	N17
19	20-25 Aug 2004	16.5	H20, N27	27.5	H20	34	H20	41	H20
20	27-31 Aug 2004	13	N37	22	N39	30.5	N37	44	N49
21	6-10 Sep 2004	13	H08	20	K03	26	N28, N34	39.5	N10
22	17-22 Sep 2004	14	K07	22.5	K07	28.5	K10	45	H21

Table A1 - Rainstorms in which Rolling 24-hour Rainfall Exceeded 50 mm at any GEO Raingauge (Sheet 2 of 3)

Rainstorm (2004)		1 hr		2 hr		4 hr		6 hr	
		Max. rainfall (mm)	Station	Max. rainfall (mm)	Station	Max. rainfall (mm)	Station	Max. rainfall (mm)	Station
1	19 Jan 2004	17	K03	20.5	K03	21.5	K01, K03	26	N07
2	30-31 Mar 2004	48	N09	64	N08	78.5	N09	106	N47
3	14-15 Apr 2004	87	N27	125.5	H20	135	H20	135	H20
4	17-18 Apr 2004	54	H02	62	N26	67.5	N26	67.5	N26
5	27-28 Apr 2004	48	N35	63.5	N35	63.5	N35	63.5	N35
6	8-9 May 2004	96	N21	104.5	N21	138.5	N25	160.5	N25
7	14-15 May 2004	57	N23	67	N22	67.5	N22, N31	72.5	N22
8	28-29 May 2004	53	N40	56.5	N35	61.5	N40	62.5	N40
9	2-3 Jun 2004	41.5	K07	51.5	K07	61.5	K07	61.5	K07
10	15-16 Jun 2004	84.5	N48	102.5	N48	103.5	N48	103.5	N48
11	20-22 Jun 2004	89	N22	121	N25	131	N19	145.5	N19
12	30 Jun 2004 - 1 Jul 2004	57.5	N37	63.5	N37	63.5	N37	63.5	N37
13	3-4 Jul 2004	50	K03	54.5	K03, K08	64.5	K03	64.5	K03
14	16-22 Jul 2004	75.5	N10	92.5	N10	121.5	N37	142	N37
15	29-30 Jul 2004	77	N50	107	N50	139	N08	144	N08
16	5-7 Aug 2004	67.5	N13	115.5	N13	177.5	N13	224.5	N13
17	11-12 Aug 2004	61.5	N34	75	N36	75.5	N36	77	N36
18	14-15 Aug 2004	74	N21	85	N23	87	N23	87	N23
19	20-25 Aug 2004	47	N50	52.5	K10	54	H14	61	H09, N01
20	27-31 Aug 2004	67	N17	93	N47	125	N47	132.5	N42
21	6-10 Sep 2004	63	N34	68.5	N33	77.5	N33	84	N33
22	17-22 Sep 2004	64.5	H21	75.5	H21	75.5	H21	77	H21

Table A1 - Rainstorms in which Rolling 24-hour Rainfall Exceeded 50 mm at any GEO Raingauge (Sheet 3 of 3)

Rainstorm (2004)		8 hr		12 hr		18 hr		24 hr		48 hr	
		Max. rainfall (mm)	Station	Max. rainfall (mm)	Station	Max. rainfall (mm)	Station	Max. rainfall (mm)	Station	Max. rainfall (mm)	Station
1	19 Jan 2004	32	K03	37	N41	52	K03	59	N07	59.5	N07
2	30-31 Mar 2004	107.5	N47	107.5	N47	108.5	N47	114.5	H06	125.5	N16
3	14-15 Apr 2004	135	H20	135	H20	135	H20	136	H20	136	H20
4	17-18 Apr 2004	67.5	N26	70	H02	70	H02, H19	72.5	H02	72.5	H02
5	27-28 Apr 2004	63.5	N35	63.5	N35	63.5	N35	63.5	N35	63.5	N35
6	8-9 May 2004	177	N25	182	N50	183	N50	183	N50	183	N50
7	14-15 May 2004	73	N22	73	N22	73	N22	73	N22	73	N22
8	28-29 May 2004	73	N40	85.5	N40	86.5	N40	89	N40	89	N40
9	2-3 Jun 2004	74	K07	74	K07	74	K07	74	K07	74.5	K07
10	15-16 Jun 2004	103.5	N48	103.5	N48	103.5	N48	103.5	N48	106	N48
11	20-22 Jun 2004	154.5	N19	158	N19	158	N19	158	N19	158	N19
12	30 Jun 2004 - 1 Jul 2004	63.5	N37	63.5	N37	63.5	N37	63.5	N37	63.5	N37
13	3-4 Jul 2004	64.5	K03	65.5	K03	66	K03	66.5	K03	80	K08
14	16-22 Jul 2004	148	N37	158	N37	187	N37	206.5	N37	221	N37
15	29-30 Jul 2004	148	N50	169	N08	170	N08	178	N50	184	N50
16	5-7 Aug 2004	225	N13	225	N13	230	N13	232.5	N13	232.5	N13
17	11-12 Aug 2004	78.5	N36	78.5	N36	78.5	N36	97	N36	97	N36
18	14-15 Aug 2004	87	N23	87	N23	90.5	N23	92	N23	92	N23
19	20-25 Aug 2004	69	N47	95.5	N16	97	N16	100	N16	145.5	N16
20	27-31 Aug 2004	145	N47	189.5	N17	220	N17	246.5	N17	293	N17
21	6-10 Sep 2004	85.5	N33	92	N06	93	K03	123.5	N51	134.5	K03
22	17-22 Sep 2004	82.5	K05	83	K05	83.5	K05	83.5	K05	86.5	K05

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LIST OF LANDSLIDE INCIDENTS REPORTED TO THE GOVERNMENT

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Table B1 - List of Major Landslide Incidents

Incident No.	Location	Slope No.	Failure			Facility Affected	Consequence
			Date (Time)	Feature Type	Scale (m ³)		
2004/08/0041	Tseung Kwan O Chinese Permanent Cemetery, Yau Tong	Drainage line between Slopes Nos. 11SE-B/FR151 & 11SE-B/FR152	Unknown	Natural hillside	350*	Open area	-
<p>Legend:</p> <p>* Information obtained by GEO's landslide investigation consultants and agreed with GEO's District Divisions</p> <p># Very minor landslide with negligible consequence (see Section 1 of the report for definition)</p> <p>(1) The slope feature does not comply with the slope registration criteria given in GEO Circular No. 15</p>							

Table B2 - List of Landslide Incidents in Hong Kong Island (Sheet 1 of 2)

Incident No.	Location	Slope No.	Call		Failure			Facility Affected	Consequence
			Date	From	Date (Time)	Feature Type	Scale (m³)		
2004/03/0003	Below the platform at the south-eastern corner of Block 5, Nam Fung Sun Chuen	Natural hillside	18/3	Public	Mid-February	Natural hillside	1	Open area	-
2004/03/0004	No. 1 to 7 Peacock Road, Ming Yuen Mansions, North Point	11SE-A/CR169	25/3	Lands D	25/3 (10:30)	Rock cut	0.6 (Rock fall)	Carpark	A car damaged
2004/03/0005	Along footpath to the jetty at Hok Tsui Wan at Cape D'Aguilar, Shek O	Unregistered at time of failure	31/3	Public	Unknown	Rock cut	3 (Rock fall)	Footpath	-
2004/04/0001	Along access road to the Swire Marine Research Centre at Cape D'Aguilar Road, Shek O	1.8 m high soil/rock cut slope ⁽¹⁾	1/4	Public	Unknown	Soil/rock cut	2	Access road	-
2004/04/0005	Feature No. 11SW-C/C450 (near 61 Mount Davis Road)	11SW-C/C450	13/4	BD	13/4	Soil/rock cut	0.1	Pedestrian pavement	-
2004/04/0006	Feature No. 115NE-B/FR34 downslope side of Shek O Road opposite to catchpit nos. SD36 and SD37	15NE-B/FR34	14/4	CEDD	Unknown	Fill	Significant sign of distress	Open area	-
ArchSD/WCS/2004/04/0001	Deep Water Bay Road	11SE-C/C730	19/4	Arch SD	15/4	Soil cut	0.5	Access road	-
2004/04/0008	Natural hillside behind Fairlane Tower, Bowen Road	Natural hillside	21/4	Public	17/4 (at night)	Natural hillside	0.025* (Boulder fall)	Open area	Garden furniture damaged
2004/05/0012	The Duchess of Kent Children Hospital (Natural hillside above 11SW-C/C470)	Natural hillside	10/5	Public	8/5	Natural hillside	1*	Open area	-
2004/06/0026	Slope No. 11SW-C/C79, Pok Fu Lam Road near Queen Mary Hospital	11SW-C/C79	17/6	HyD	16/6 (20:15)	Soil/rock cut	1 (Rock fall)	Pedestrian pavement	-
2004/07/0032	38A - 38D, MacDonnell Road	11SW-B/C85	21/7	WSD	21/7 (10:00)	Soil/rock cut	6	Road	-
AFCD/HK/2004/08/0001 [#]	Hong Pak Country Trail, Quarry Bay, Tai Tam Country Park	2.8 m high soil cut slope ⁽¹⁾	19/8	AFCD	16/8	Soil cut	1	Footpath	-

Table B2 - List of Landslide Incidents in Hong Kong Island (Sheet 2 of 2)

Incident No.	Location	Slope No.	Call		Failure			Facility Affected	Consequence
			Date	From	Date (Time)	Feature Type	Scale (m³)		
2004/08/0045	15NE-C/C93 at Chung Hom Kok Road, Stanley (Lamp post 48980)	15NE-C/C93	22/8	Police	22/8 (10:00)	Rock cut	1 (Rockfall)	Road	1 lane of road closed
2004/09/0058	Black's Link (Feature No. 11SW-D/C1094)	11SW-D/C1094	9/9	HyD	9/9 (approx. 06:00)	Soil/rock cut	1.5	Road	-
2004/09/0060	Brick Hill, Ocean Park	Natural hillside	23/8	Ocean Park	Early August	Natural hillside	1 (Rockfall)	Cable car ropeway right-of-way	Electric cables damaged
2004/09/0062	121 Quarry Bay Street, behind Tai Chow House on the rock slope portion of 11SE-A/C179	11SE-A/C179	19/9	Police	19/9 (01:30)	Soil/rock cut	0.76 (Rockfall)	Back-lane	-
2004/12/0070	Cape Collinson Road at the Chinese Permanent Cemetery (between slopes nos. 11SE-D/C539 & 11SE-D/C214)	Temporary stockpile in construction site	17/12	FSD	17/12 (13:30)	Fill	1.3 (Rockfall)	Construction site	-
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Table B3 - List of Landslide Incidents in Kowloon

Incident No.	Location	Slope No.	Call		Failure			Facility Affected	Consequence
			Date	From	Date (Time)	Feature Type	Scale (m³)		
2004/04/0002	Signal Hill Garden behind Minden Avenue	11SW-B/C51	2/4	ICC	2/4 (17:00)	Soil/rock cut	0.2 (Rock fall)	Open area	-
2004/05/0009	Adjacent to Slope No. 11NW-B/C443, south of Basketball Court, Junction Road Park	Natural hillside	5/5	CEDD	Unknown	Natural hillside	10	Open area	-
2004/05/0017	Feature No. 11NE-A/C503, Shatin Pass Road	11NE-A/C503	13/5	Public	Unknown	Soil/rock cut	0.05 (Rock fall)	Road	-
2004/05/0024	Service lane behind No. 37 Wan Hon Street	11NE-C/C41	31/5	ICC	Unknown	Soil/rock cut	0.15 (Rock fall)	Back-lane	-
2004/07/0034	Behind Caritas Bianchi Lodge, Cliff Road	11NW-D/CR10	29/7	Public	29/7 (07:00)	Soil cut	2	Open area	-
2004/09/0053	Slope behind squatter structure RKT/12/C/195, On Lei Sai Chuen, Lei Yue Mun	Natural hillside	6/9	Lands D	29/8	Natural hillside	25	Squatter dwelling	-
2004/10/0066	Anderson Road Quarry Site	Slope under construction	4/10	CEDD	31/8	Soil/rock cut	6	Construction site	-
2004/11/0068	Feature No. 11NE-D/CR15 at Sau Mau Ping Estate Phase 9	11NE-D/CR15	23/11	WSD	23/11	Soil cut	5	School	-
<p>Legend:</p> <p>* Information obtained by GEO's landslide investigation consultants and agreed with GEO's District Divisions</p> <p># Very minor landslide with negligible consequence (see Section 1 of the report for definition)</p> <p>(1) The slope feature does not comply with the slope registration criteria given in GEO Circular No. 15</p>									

Table B4 - List of Landslide Incidents in New Territories and Outlying Islands (Sheet 1 of 4)

Incident No.	Location	Slope No.	Call		Failure			Facility Affected	Consequence
			Date	From	Date (Time)	Feature Type	Scale (m³)		
2004/02/0002	Slope No.3NE-D/C98, Bride's Pool Road	3NE-D/C98	19/2	HyD	Unknown	Soil/rock cut	0.5 (Rock fall)	Open area	-
2004/04/0003	No. 67 Hoi Pa San Tsuen, Kwok Shui Road	7SW-C/C265	3/4	Public	2/4	Soil/rock cut	0.005 (Rock fall)	Back-lane	-
LandsD/SK/2004/02/0001	House No. 5A, Shan Liu	8SW-A/C257	19/4	Lands D	23/2	Soil cut	25	Footpath	Footpath temporarily closed
2004/05/0010	Slope No. 8SW-C/C57, Chui Tong Road, Tui Min Hoi	8SW-C/C57	8/5	FEHD	8/5 (09:00)	Soil cut	30	Public toilet	Public toilet temporarily closed
2004/05/0011	Tan Cheung Road	8SW-A/C163	8/5	ICC	8/5	Soil/rock cut	10	Carpark	-
2004/05/0013	Slope No. 11NE-B/C542, Mok Tse Che Road	11NE-B/C542	10/5	ICC	Unknown	Soil/rock cut	1	Access road	-
2004/05/0014	Nos. 60D & 60E, Tseng Lan Shue Village	1.4 m high retaining wall ⁽¹⁾	10/5	DLO	8/5	Retaining wall	4	Carpark	A car damaged
2004/05/0015	Behind house No. 5A, Shan Liu	8SW-A/C257	11/5	ICC	8/5 (08:00)	Soil cut	1.5	Footpath	-
2004/05/0016	Near No. 14, Ma Yau Tong Village, Ma Yau Tong	Natural hillside	12/5	DO	8/5 (08:00)	Natural hillside	4.5	Footpath	Footpath temporarily closed
2004/05/0018	Behind house Nos. 4 & 5, Lai Chi Chong	Natural hillside	12/5	DO	3/3 (09:00)	Natural hillside	15	Open area	-
2004/05/0019	Feature No. 8NW-B/DT13, Lai Chi Chong	8NW-B/DT13	12/5	CEDD	Unknown	Disturbed terrain	10	Open area	-
2004/05/0021	Behind 14C Hill Side Road, Cheung Chau	1.3 m high soil cut slope	14/5	DO/Is	8/5 (15:00)	Soil cut	0.1	Back-lane	-
2004/05/0022	DD223 Lot No 267 & 268, Mok Tse Che Sai Kung Feature No. 11NE-B/C778	11NE-B/C778	20/5	Public	8/5	Soil cut	2	Open area	-
2004/05/0023 [#]	Ma Yau Tong Road near slope No. 11NE-D/C466	1.5 m high soil cut slope	21/5	CEDD	Unknown	Soil cut	0.5	Access road	-

Table B4 - List of Landslide Incidents in New Territories and Outlying Islands (Sheet 2 of 4)

Incident No.	Location	Slope No.	Call		Failure			Facility Affected	Consequence
			Date	From	Date (Time)	Feature Type	Scale (m³)		
WSD/2004/5/1/NTE [#]	Ho Chung Road to Intake 1A	7SE-D/C212	25/5	WSD	20/5 (16:45)	Soil cut	1	Access road	-
LandsD/SK/2004/05/0002	Pak Shek Terrace	11NE-B/C390	08/5	Lands D	8/5	Soil cut	0.2	Open area	-
LandsD/SK/2004/05/0003 [#]	Unregistered slope (east of 11NE-B/C390), Pak Shek Terrace	Natural hillside	08/5	Lands D	8/5	Natural hillside	0.1	Open area	-
2004/06/0025	Behind No. 129 Lo Wai Village, Pui O, Lantau Island	2.2 m high soil cut slope	07/6	Public	6/6	Soil cut	0.2	Back-lane	-
2004/06/0028	Behind 1B Wai Tsai San Tsuen, Peng Chau	Natural hillside	28/6	Police	27/6	Natural hillside	0.15 (Boulder fall)	Others	-
2004/07/0033	Fung Yuen Road	7NW-B/R35	22/7	ICC	Unknown	Retaining wall	0	Road	1 lane of road closed
2004/07/0035	Shek Lei Hang Tsuen	Natural hillside & 7SW-C/C999	29/7	DO	29/7 (10:30)	Natural hillside	10	Squatter dwelling	2 squatters temporarily evacuated
2004/08/0040	No. 2A, Tai Hang Hau Village, Clear Water Bay	Natural hillside	07/8	Public	6/8 (17:00)	Natural hillside	0.5	Open area	-
2004/08/0041	Tseung Kwan O Chinese Permanent Cemetery, Yau Tong	Drainage line between Slopes Nos. 11SE-B/FR151 & 11SE-B/FR152	10/8	CEDD	Unknown	Natural hillside	350	Open area	-
2004/08/0042	To the east of the NE corner of feature No. 8SW-A/C72, west of Wong Mo Ying Village	2.9 m high soil cut slope	12/8	-	Unknown	Soil cut	2	Footpath	-
2004/08/0048	Above slope No. 7SE-A/CR290, behind house No. 172 Sheung Wo Che Village	2.7 m high soil cut slope	29/8	Police	29/8 (07:45)	Soil cut	2	Squatter dwelling	1 squatter temporarily evacuated

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Incident No.	Location	Slope No.	Call		Failure			Facility Affected	Consequence
			Date	From	Date (Time)	Feature Type	Scale (m³)		
2004/08/0049 [#]	Slope below footpath fronting light pole No. VA4336, between Pak Mong and Ngau Kwu Long, Lantau	3 to 4 m high fill slope	30/8	DO/Is	29/8 (15:00)	Fill	2	Footpath	-
2004/08/0050	Behind hut No. A-21, Tsiu King Village, Sheung Shui	2SE-D/C46	06/9	CEDD	29/8 (14:30)	Soil cut	4	Squatter dwelling	-
2004/08/0051	No. 201 Lok Ma Chau Road	2SE-A/C92	30/8	Police	30/8 (21:30)	Soil/Rock cut	22	Open area	-
2004/09/0052	Slope No. 11NW-A/C152, Ha Kwai Chung Village, Kwai Chung	11NW-A/C152	01/9	DSD	30/8	Rock cut	3 (Rockfall)	Nullah	-
WSD/2004/8/1/N TE	South Conduit Ch 350, Shek Lek Hang Chuen	7SW-C/C980	31/8	WSD	30/8 (10:00)	Soil cut	25	Catchwater	-
2004/09/0054	Behind house No. 61 Greenfield Villa, Ngau Liu	Natural hillside	07/9	BD	7/8	Natural hillside	0.01 (Boulder fall)	Garden	-
2004/09/0055	Access road near Ho Pui Village	6NE-C/C247	06/9	WSD	29/8	Soil cut	2	Road	-
2004/09/0057	Above access footpath to Hap Mun Bay near the Ferry Pier, Kiu Tsui Chau	Unregistered	06/9	LCSD	29/8	Rock cut	0.005 (Rockfall)	Footpath	-
2004/09/0059	House 69A1, Kam Shan Village	7NW-B/C593	13/9	DO	8/9 (03:00)	Soil cut	0.02	Squatter dwelling	-
LandsD/ST/2004/07/0001	Adjacent to house No. 285A, Ha Wo Che Village	7SE-A/C396	30/7	Lands D	29/7	Soil cut	0.3	Open area	-
AFCD/NT/2004/07/0001	SLW Trench in Ma On Shan Country Park	8SW-A/C204	29/7	AFCD	29/7	Soil/Rock cut	2	Verge	-
AFCD/NT/2004/08/0002	Tai Po Kau Track, Tai Po Kau Nature Reserve (SA)	Natural hillside	23/8	AFCD	22/8	Natural hillside	<1 (Boulder fall)	Access road	-
LandsD/N/2004/11/0001	Ko Po Village, Sha Tau Kok Road	3SW-B/C375	29/10	Lands D	Unknown	Soil cut	47	Squatter dwelling	-
LandsD/SK/2004/10/0001	Tai Hang Hau, Clearwater Bay	12NW-C/C472	04/10	Lands D	Unknown	Soil cut	<5	Temple	-
2004/09/0061 [#]	Abandoned road near Tong Fuk, Lantau Island, at 13NE-A/C80	13NE-A/C80	15/9	CEDD	Unknown	Soil cut	2	Abandoned access road	-

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Incident No.	Location	Slope No.	Call		Failure			Facility Affected	Consequence
			Date	From	Date (Time)	Feature Type	Scale (m³)		
2004/09/0063	Behind Girls Dormitory at Christian Zhang Sheng College, Chi Ma Wan, Lantau Island	14NW-B/C12	21/9	Public	29/8 (13:00)	Soil cut	1 (Boulder fall)	Open area	-
2004/09/0064	Near Lamp Post no. H9404 at Don Bosco Road, Cheung Chau	1.5 m high soil cut slope	22/9	DLO/IS	29/8	Soil cut	0.05 (Rock fall)	Footpath	-
2004/09/0065	No. 53A Nam Wan, Peng Chau	10SW-B/C87	25/9	Lands D	18/9	Soil/Rock cut	4	Cottage	-
LandsD/Is/2004/11/0001	Chi Ma Wan Road, Lantau	14NW-A/C58	23/11	Lands D	Unknown	Soil cut	3	Unmanned sub-station	-
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