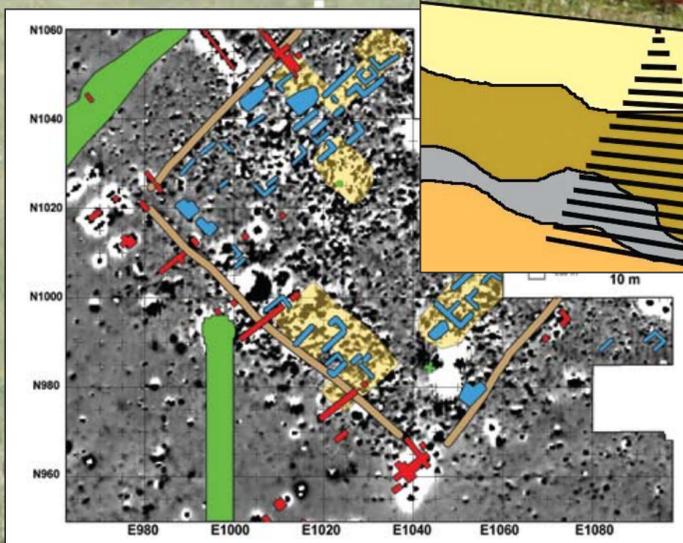
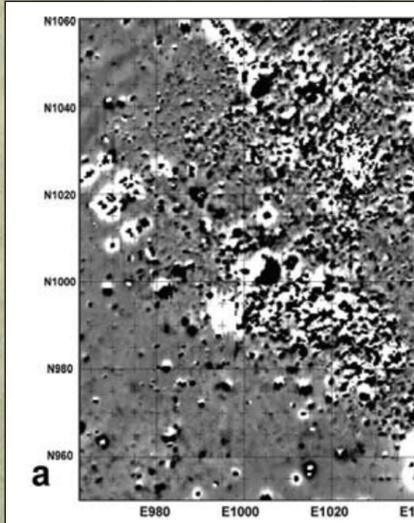
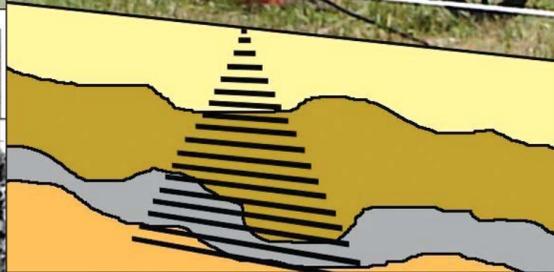


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Fort Pierre Chouteau was built as a fur trading post for the American Fur Company in 1832. Bought by the U.S. Army in 1855 for use as a military fort, the post was abandoned two years later. While the fort no longer stands, the site is a National Historic Landmark.

Background photo: white, National Historic Landmark boundary; red, military fort; blue, original fur trading post. Photos from left to right: 2007 magnetic gradiometry survey results in the vicinity of the trading post, with interpretations (bottom) and raw (top); 2007 ground penetrating radar sends radar waves into the earth, which reflect off buried objects and materials; Volunteers assist with excavation at Fort Pierre Chouteau in 2001; Artifacts found during excavation. Images are courtesy of the South Dakota State Historical Society.

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