

# Impact of dangerous cryogenic processes on the transport infrastructure in the Arctic

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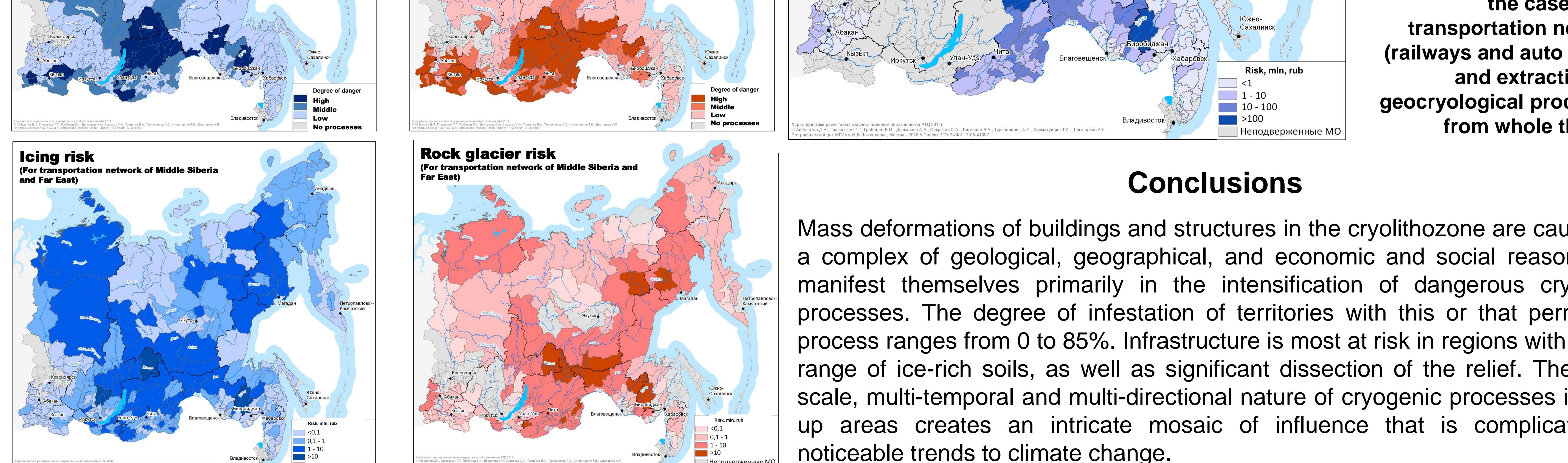
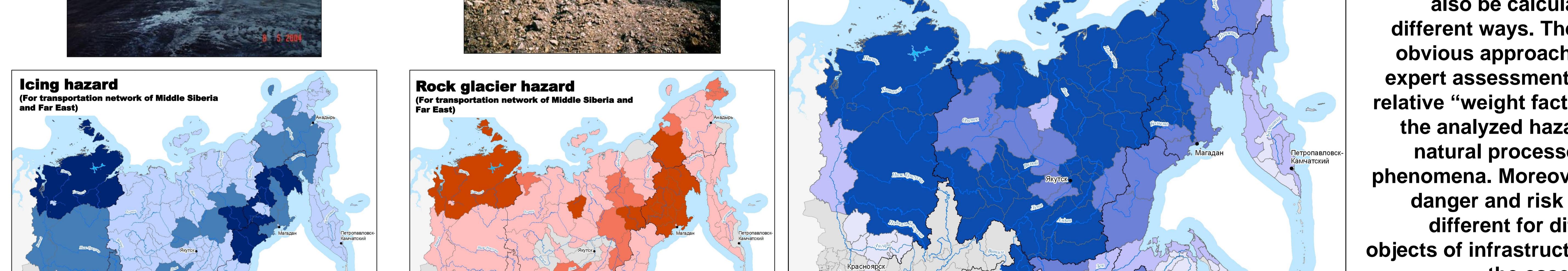
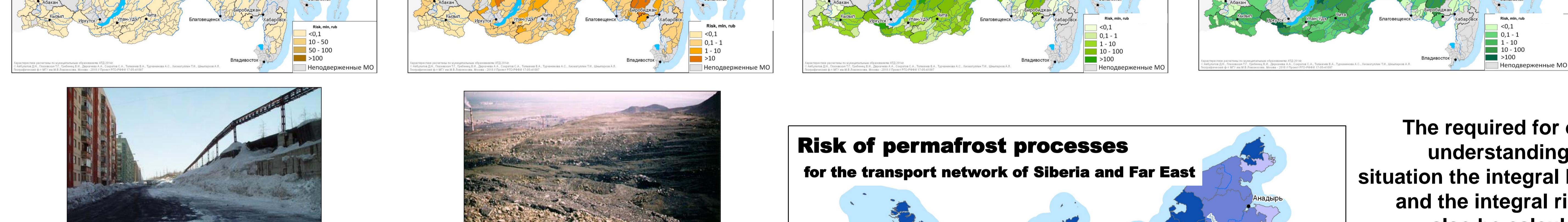
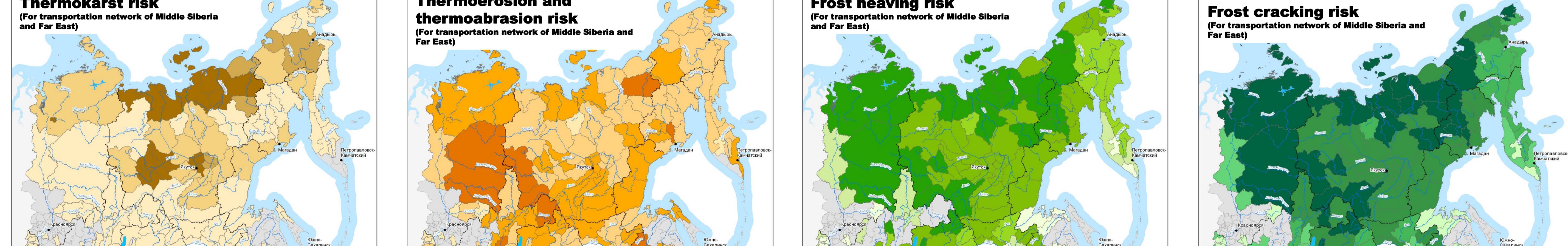
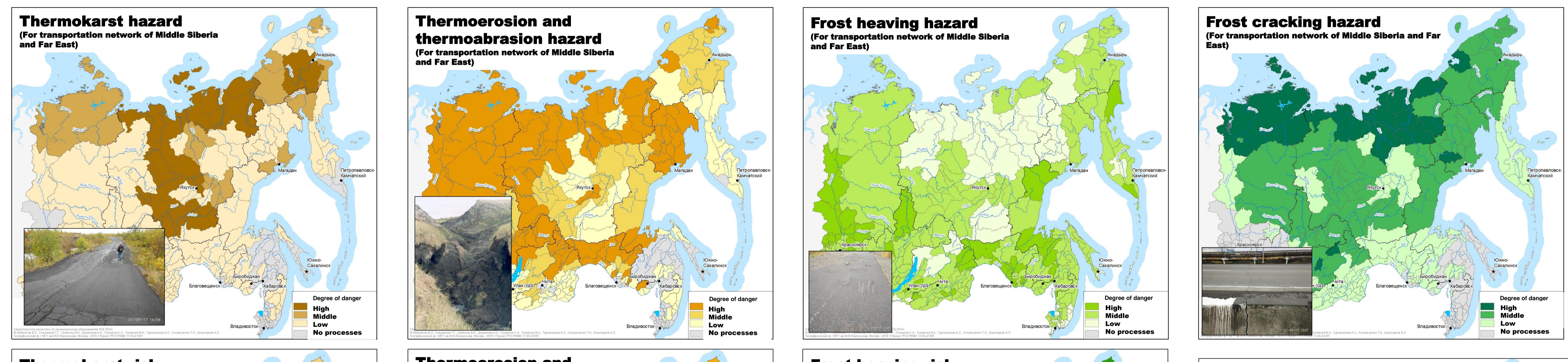
## Dangerous nival-glacial and cryogenic processes and their impact on infrastructure in the Arctic (Field investigations in the Arctic)

The aim is the comparative assessment of the territories of municipalities of Siberia and the Far East in relation to their current and potential exposure to such dangerous natural processes. The latter include thermokarst, thermal erosion and thermal abrasion, frost heaving, frost cracking, icing, kurums and rock glaciers. The expected result is a contribution to the development strategy of the automobile and railways of the regions, with the dynamics of the listed dangerous natural processes accounted for.

**Spread, Duration and Repeatability of cryogenic processes in the Russian Arctic (Decree of the President of the Russian Federation "On Land Territories of the Arctic Zone of the Russian Federation", May 2, 2014) (\*) – municipalities partly located southern of the polar circle**

| Federal district                 | Subject of the federation   | Municipality, 2014           | Frost Cracking |          |               | Kurums |          |               | Frost Heaving |          |               | Icing  |          |               | Thermokarst |          |               | Thermoerosion&Thermoabrasion |          |               |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|----------------|----------|---------------|--------|----------|---------------|---------------|----------|---------------|--------|----------|---------------|-------------|----------|---------------|------------------------------|----------|---------------|
|                                  |                             |                              | Spread         | Duration | Repeatability | Spread | Duration | Repeatability | Spread        | Duration | Repeatability | Spread | Duration | Repeatability | Spread      | Duration | Repeatability | Spread                       | Duration | Repeatability |
| Sibirs'kiy federalnyy okrug      | Krasnoyarsk Krai            | Aimyr Dolgan-Nenets district | 0.15           | 0.3      | 1             | 0.125  | 0.85     | 1             | 0.75          | 0.25     | 1             | 0.12   | 0.7      | 1             | 0.15        | 0.3      | 1             | 0.0007                       | 0.3      | 1             |
| Sibirs'kiy federalnyy okrug      | Krasnoyarsk Krai            | Turukhansky District         | 0.002          | 0.2      | 1             | 0.002  | 0.85     | 1             | 0.8           | 0.38     | 1             | 0.035  | 0.6      | 1             | 0.01        | 0.42     | 1             | 0.0005                       | 0.42     | 1             |
| Dalnevostochnyy federalnyy okrug | Sakha Republic (Yakutiya)   | Abyssky ulus *               | 0.175          | 0.3      | 1             | 0.03   | 0.7      | 1             | 0.7           | 0.2      | 1             | 0.005  | 0.7      | 1             | 0.35        | 0.33     | 1             | 0.00025                      | 0.33     | 1             |
| Dalnevostochnyy federalnyy okrug | Sakha Republic (Yakutiya)   | Allaikhovsky ulus            | 0.2            | 0.3      | 1             | 0.002  | 0.9      | 1             | 0.9           | 0.25     | 1             | 0.0003 | 0.8      | 1             | 0.45        | 0.33     | 1             | 0.0005                       | 0.33     | 1             |
| Dalnevostochnyy federalnyy okrug | Sakha Republic (Yakutiya)   | Anabar ulus                  | 0.2            | 0.33     | 1             | 0.03   | 0.8      | 1             | 0.45          | 0.2      | 1             | 0.0001 | 0.8      | 1             | 0.3         | 0.33     | 1             | 0.0002                       | 0.33     | 1             |
| Dalnevostochnyy federalnyy okrug | Sakha Republic (Yakutiya)   | Bulunsky Ulus                | 0.2            | 0.33     | 1             | 0.002  | 0.8      | 1             | 0.9           | 0.15     | 1             | 0.0005 | 0.8      | 1             | 0.28        | 0.33     | 1             | 0.0005                       | 0.33     | 1             |
| Dalnevostochnyy federalnyy okrug | Sakha Republic (Yakutiya)   | Verkhnebol'skiy ulus         | 0.15           | 0.33     | 1             | 0.008  | 0.7      | 1             | 0.65          | 0.17     | 1             | 0.0015 | 0.7      | 1             | 0.3         | 0.42     | 1             | 0.0005                       | 0.42     | 1             |
| Dalnevostochnyy federalnyy okrug | Sakha Republic (Yakutiya)   | Verkhoyanskiy ulus*          | 0.15           | 0.33     | 1             | 0.015  | 0.8      | 1             | 0.5           | 0.15     | 1             | 0.03   | 0.6      | 1             | 0.075       | 0.42     | 1             | 0.0003                       | 0.42     | 1             |
| Dalnevostochnyy federalnyy okrug | Sakha Republic (Yakutiya)   | Zhiganskiy Ulus              | 0.1            | 0.33     | 1             | 0.001  | 0.8      | 1             | 0.8           | 0.25     | 1             | 0.002  | 0.6      | 1             | 0.18        | 0.5      | 1             | 0.0003                       | 0.5      | 1             |
| Dalnevostochnyy federalnyy okrug | Sakha Republic (Yakutiya)   | Momsky Ulus *                | 0.15           | 0.38     | 1             | 0.1    | 0.9      | 1             | 0.45          | 0.15     | 1             | 0.2    | 0.7      | 1             | 0.015       | 0.5      | 1             | 0.00075                      | 0.5      | 1             |
| Dalnevostochnyy federalnyy okrug | Sakha Republic (Yakutiya)   | Nizhnekolymskiy ulus         | 0.2            | 0.33     | 1             | 0      | 0        | 0             | 0.85          | 0.2      | 1             | 0.0007 | 0.6      | 0.3           | 0.5         | 0.33     | 1             | 0.0005                       | 0.33     | 1             |
| Dalnevostochnyy federalnyy okrug | Sakha Republic (Yakutiya)   | Olenyok ulus                 | 0.075          | 0.3      | 1             | 0.015  | 0.9      | 1             | 0.65          | 0.22     | 1             | 0.003  | 0.7      | 1             | 0.03        | 0.5      | 1             | 0.00025                      | 0.5      | 1             |
| Dalnevostochnyy federalnyy okrug | Sakha Republic (Yakutiya)   | Srednekolymskiy ulus*        | 0.1            | 0.33     | 1             | 0.001  | 0.9      | 1             | 0.65          | 0.2      | 1             | 0.05   | 0.7      | 1             | 0.45        | 0.5      | 1             | 0.02                         | 0.5      | 1             |
| Dalnevostochnyy federalnyy okrug | Sakha Republic (Yakutiya)   | Ust-Yanskiy Ulus             | 0.15           | 0.38     | 1             | 0.01   | 0.9      | 1             | 0.85          | 0.17     | 1             | 0.0075 | 0.7      | 0.5           | 0.35        | 0.33     | 1             | 0.00075                      | 0.33     | 1             |
| Dalnevostochnyy federalnyy okrug | Sakha Republic (Yakutiya)   | eno-Bytantayskiy national u  | 0.015          | 0.3      | 1             | 0.125  | 0.9      | 1             | 0.45          | 0.2      | 1             | 0.04   | 0.66     | 1             | 0.002       | 0.33     | 1             | 0.0002                       | 0.33     | 1             |
| Dalnevostochnyy federalnyy okrug | Chukotskiy autonomous okrug | Anadyr district*             | 0.0075         | 0.25     | 1             | 0.01   | 1        | 1             | 0.65          | 0.3      | 1             | 0.025  | 0.66     | 1             | 0.2         | 0.42     | 1             | 0.0002                       | 0.5      | 1             |
| Dalnevostochnyy federalnyy okrug | Chukotskiy autonomous okrug | Beringovsky district*        | 0.01           | 0.25     | 1             | 0      | 0        | 0             | 0.7           | 0.25     | 1             | 0.02   | 0.6      | 1             | 0.12        | 0.42     | 1             | 0.00025                      | 0.5      | 1             |
| Dalnevostochnyy federalnyy okrug | Chukotskiy autonomous okrug | Bilibinsky district          | 0.08           | 0.45     | 1             | 0.08   | 0.7      | 1             | 0.55          | 0.2      | 1             | 0.1    | 0.7      | 1             | 0.15        | 0.33     | 1             | 0.002                        | 0.4      | 1             |
| Dalnevostochnyy federalnyy okrug | Chukotskiy autonomous okrug | city district Anadyr*        | 0.00025        | 0.15     | 0.75          | 0      | 0        | 0             | 0.6           | 0.33     | 1             | 0.001  | 0.4      | 0.7           | 0.05        | 0.42     | 1             | 0                            | 0        | 0             |
| Dalnevostochnyy federalnyy okrug | Chukotskiy autonomous okrug | Iultinsky district           | 0.06           | 0.25     | 1             | 0.015  | 1        | 1             | 0.65          | 0.3      | 1             | 0.02   | 0.66     | 1             | 0.025       | 0.33     | 1             | 0.00015                      | 0.4      | 1             |
| Dalnevostochnyy federalnyy okrug | Chukotskiy autonomous okrug | Providenskiy district        | 0.0075         | 0.3      | 1             | 0.02   | 0.7      | 1             | 0.75          | 0.25     | 1             | 0.01   | 0.75     | 1             | 0.03        | 0.42     | 1             | 0.0003                       | 0.5      | 1             |
| Dalnevostochnyy federalnyy okrug | Chukotskiy autonomous okrug | Chaunsky district            | 0.05           | 0.42     | 1             | 0.08   | 0.7      | 1             | 0.8           | 0.25     | 1             | 0.008  | 0.6      | 1             | 0.15        | 0.33     | 1             | 0.00015                      | 0.33     | 1             |
| Dalnevostochnyy federalnyy okrug | Chukotskiy autonomous okrug | Chukot district              | 0.05           | 0.33     | 1             | 0.03   | 0.7      | 1             | 0.85          | 0.33     | 1             | 0.01   | 0.75     | 1             | 0.15        | 0.33     | 1             | 0.0005                       | 0.4      | 1             |
| Dalnevostochnyy federalnyy okrug | Chukotskiy autonomous okrug | Shmidtovsky district         | 0              | 0.38     | 1             | 0.02   | 0.7      | 1             | 0.7           | 0.2      | 1             | 0.03   | 0.8      | 1             | 0.05        | 0.33     | 1             | 0.0002                       | 0.33     | 1             |

## Cartographic display of hazard and risk assessment results for the eastern part of the permafrost zone of Russia



## Conclusions

Mass deformations of buildings and structures in the cryolithozone are caused by a complex of geological, geographical, and economic and social reasons that manifest themselves primarily in the intensification of dangerous cryogenic processes. The degree of infestation of territories with this or that permafrost process ranges from 0 to 85%. Infrastructure is most at risk in regions with a wide range of ice-rich soils, as well as significant dissection of the relief. The multi-scale, multi-temporal and multi-directional nature of cryogenic processes in built-up areas creates an intricate mosaic of influence that is complicated by noticeable trends to climate change.

The required for overall understanding of the situation the integral hazard and the integral risk can also be calculated in different ways. The most obvious approach is the expert assessment of the relative "weight factor" for the analyzed hazardous natural processes and phenomena. Moreover, the danger and risk will be different for different objects of infrastructure. In the case of the transportation network (railways and auto roads) and extracting the geocryological processes from whole the list: