Geologic map of the Valles caldera, Jemez Mountains, New Mexico

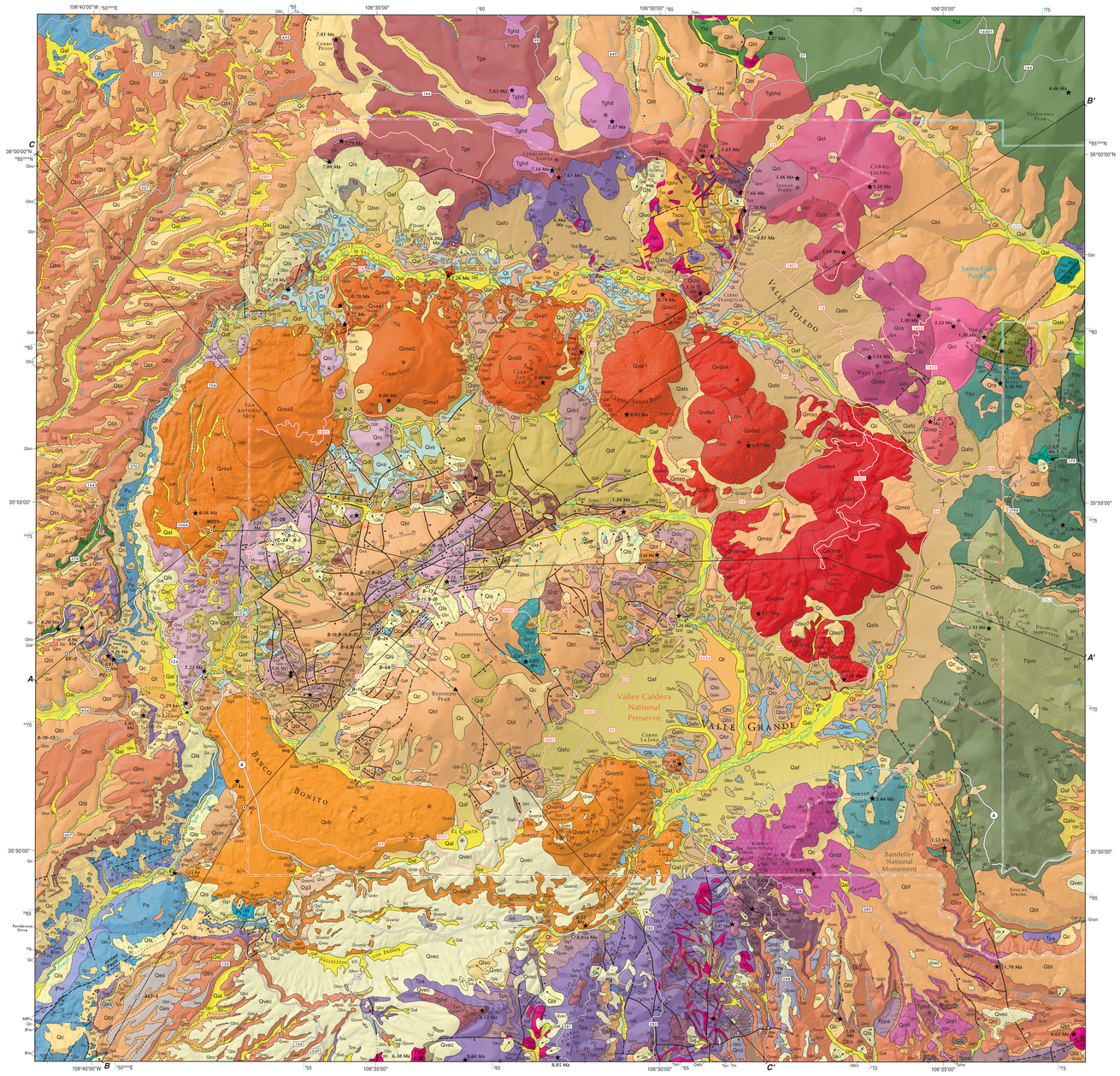
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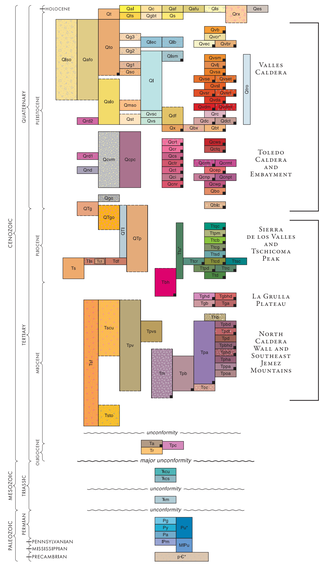
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Correlation of Geologic Map and Cross Section Units

Asterisk (*) denotes units shown on cross sections only
Black square denotes dated unit



Map Symbols

- Contact–Dashed where approximately located
- Normal fault–Showing dip; bar and ball on downthrown side; dashed where approximately located; dotted where concealed; queried where inferred
- Reactivated fault–Faults that have changed direction of motion or that have moved at different times during rifting, collapse and resurgence. (Cross sections only)
- Paleo beach ridge
- Landslide direction
- Isotherm (Cross sections only)
- Horizontal bedding
- Strike and dip of inclined bedding
- Strike and dip of inclined foliation
- Strike and dip of inclined joint
- Vent–From either surface evidence or inferred from topography
- Spring
- Fumarole
- Bog
- B-22 Well
- 1.24 Ma Location and age of fresh sample
- 6.96± Ma Location and age of altered sample
- Mine
- A A′ Geologic cross section
- Major drainage
- Valles Caldera National Preserve boundary
- Bandelier National Monument boundary
- Santa Clara Pueblo boundary
- (4) State highway
- (0264) Valles Caldera National Preserve road (unpaved)
- (504) National Forest Service road (unpaved)
- (502) Bureau of Indian Affairs road (unpaved)
- (CR-) County road (unpaved)

Map Units

Partial description of units; complete descriptions can be found in the Map Booklet.

CENOZOIC

- Qdt Disturbed areas
- Qal Alluvium (mostly Holocene)
- Qc Colluvium (mostly Holocene)
- Qasf, Qafu Alluvial fans (late Holocene to late Pleistocene)
- Qeos Wind-blown deposits (Holocene)
- Qls Landslides (late Holocene to late Pleistocene)
- Qrx Boulder fields (Holocene to Pleistocene)
- Qt Younger stream terraces (inferred Holocene or late Pleistocene)
- Qtg Sulphur Creek terraces (Holocene to late Pleistocene)
- Qs Terrace sandstone (Pleistocene)
- Qto Older stream terraces (late Pleistocene)
- Qlso Older landslides (late Pleistocene)
- Qtro Old travertine deposits (Pleistocene)
- Qpbt Gravel deposit (Pleistocene)
- Qafo Older alluvial fans (mainly Pleistocene)
- Qg3, Qg2, Qg1 Sedimentary deposits of southern caldera (Pleistocene)
- Qlec, Qlb El Cajete lake deposits (Pleistocene)
- Qlsm South Mountain lake deposits (Pleistocene)
- Ql Lacustrine deposits in northern caldera (Pleistocene)
- Qso Older intracaldera sandstone (Pleistocene)
- Qmso Older sedimentary deposits of northern caldera (Pleistocene)
- Early caldera-fill lacustrine and fluvial deposits (Pleistocene)
- Qdf Early caldera-fill debris-flow, landslide, alluvium, and colluvium deposits (Pleistocene)
- Qst Sinter deposits (Pleistocene)

Holocene to Pleistocene fluvial, mass wasting, eolian, and spring deposits

Pleistocene intracaldera sedimentary and hydrothermal deposits

TEWA GROUP (Pleistocene)

Valles Rhyolite

- Qvb Banco Bonito flow
- Qvcr VC-1 rhyolite–(Shown in cross section B-B′ only)
- Qvbr Battleship Rock Ignimbrite
- Qvec El Cajete Pyroclastic Beds

East Fork Member:
- Qvsm4, Qvsm3, Qvsm2, Qvsm1, Qvlj South Mountain Member
- Qvas3, Qvas2, Qvas1 San Antonio Mountain Member
- Qvsc2, Qvsc1, Qvsc Cerro Seco Member
- Qvsl2, Qvsl1, Qvsl Cerro San Luis Member
- Qvsr2, Qvsr1, Qvsr Cerro Santa Rosa Member
- Qvsa4, Qvsa3, Qvsa2, Qvsa1, Qvsa Cerros del Abrigo Member
- Qvsm4, Qvsm3, Qvsm2, Qvsm1, Qvsm, Qvdmc, Qvdmr, Qvdmg Cerro del Medio Member
- Qvrc Redondo Creek Member
- Qvdm Deer Canyon Member
- Qalo Older alluvium (Pleistocene)
- Qvdl Young Rabbit Mountain debris-flow deposits (Pleistocene)

Pleistocene postcaldera rocks of Redondo Creek graben and Valle Toledo embayment

- Qbx Vent and/or hydrothermal breccia
- Qbt Bandelier Tuff, Tshirege Member
- Qxg, Qxbo, Qxf, Qxgt, Qxgb, Qxsf, Qxsbr, Qxr, Qxa, Qxm, Qxp-c Caldera-collapse breccia

Cerro Toledo Formation

- Qcpc Pueblo Canyon Member (Pleistocene)
- Qcvm Virgin Mesa Member (Pleistocene)

Valle Toledo Member

Toledo caldera rhyolite domes:
- Qcrt Rhyolite tuff
- Qcr Aphyric rhyolite
- Qcs Sierra de Toledo rhyolite
- Qctr Turkey Ridge rhyolite
- Qct Cerro Toledo rhyolite
- Qci Indian Point rhyolite
- Qcnr North caldera rim intrusion
- Qcsa Warm Springs rhyolite

Toledo caldera rim-fracture domes:
- Qctq Cerro Trasquilar rhyolite
- Qrd1 Old Rabbit Mountain debris-flow deposits
- Qrm Rabbit Mountain rhyolite
- Qcep East Los Posos rhyolite
- Qrnd Paso del Norte debris avalanche deposit
- Qcnp Paso del Norte rhyolite
- Qcwp West Los Posos rhyolite

Bandelier Tuff (Lower)

- Qbo Bandelier Tuff, Otowi Member
- Qgo Older gravels (Pleistocene)
- Qblc Bandelier Tuff, La Cueva Member

QUATERNARY–TERTIARY

- QTg Old fluvial gravel (early Quaternary to late Pliocene?)
- QTgo Older fluvial gravels
- QTp Puye Formation
- QTl Lake deposits

TERTIARY (Pliocene–Oligocene)

- Tb, Tbl Debris avalanche and debris-flow deposits
- Tct Block of tuff
- Ts Tertiary sediments, undivided (Pliocene to Miocene?)

KERES GROUP (Pliocene–Miocene)

Tschicoma Formation (Pliocene)

- Tbqc Upper Quemazon Canyon dacite
- Tbpm Pajarito Mountain dacite
- Tbcb Caballo Mountain dacite
- Tbcg Cerro Grande dacite
- Tbsd Sawyer Dome dacite
- Tbcr Cerro Rubio dacite
- Tbcd Dacite intrusion north of Cerro Rubio
- Tbsc Santa Clara Canyon dacite
- Tbsf Tschicoma Peak area dacite and rhyodacite, undivided
- Tbrc Rendija Canyon rhyodacite
- Tbt Porphyritic dacite, undivided
- Tbd Dacite and andesite, undivided–(Shown in cross section A–A′ only)

Bearhead Rhyolite (Pliocene–Miocene)

- Tbh Bearhead Rhyolite

La Grulla Formation (Miocene)

- Tgbh2 Porphyritic biotite, hornblende rhyodacite
- Tgh2 Hornblende dacite and rhyodacite
- Tgpk Porphyritic andesite and dacite, undivided
- Tgb Olivine basalt

Paliza Canyon Formation (Miocene)

- Volcaniclastic member (Pliocene? to Miocene)
- Tbh Hydrothermal breccia
- Tpll Aphyric dacite
- Tpbd Porphyritic biotite dacite
- Tpbt Porphyritic dacite tuff
- Tphd Porphyritic hornblende dacite
- Tpbhd Porphyritic biotite, hornblende dacite
- Tpha Hornblende andesite
- Tpoa Olivine andesite
- Tpa Two-pyroxene andesite, undivided
- Tpb Olivine basalt and basaltic andesite, undivided

Bland intrusive rocks

- Tmb Bland monzonite (Miocene)

Canovas Canyon Rhyolite

- Tcc Canovas Canyon Rhyolite (Miocene)

Santa Fe Group

- Tsf Santa Fe Group, undivided (Miocene)

Chamita Formation of the Santa Fe Group

- Tscu Hernandez Member (f)–(Miocene)

Tesuque Formation of the Santa Fe Group

- Tsto Ojo Caliente Sandstone Member (Miocene)

Early Rio Grande rift sedimentary deposits

- Tpc Pedernal chert (Miocene to Oligocene)
- Ta Abiquiu Formation (Miocene to Oligocene)
- Tr Rio Grande Conglomerate (Miocene to Oligocene)

MESOZOIC

TRIASSIC

- Tcu Upper Chinle Group, undivided
- Tcs Shinarump Formation, Chinle Group
- Tkm Moenkopi Formation

PALEOZOIC

PERMIAN

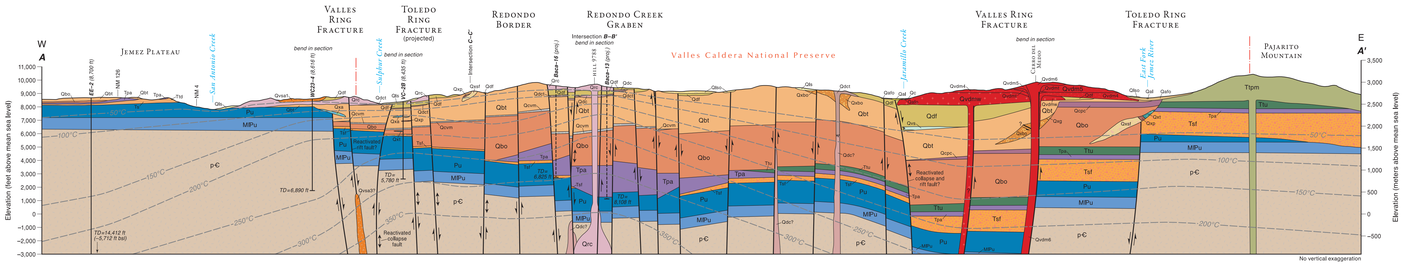
- Pg Glorieta Sandstone
- Py Yeso Group
- Pa Abo Formation
- Pu Permian rocks, undivided–(Shown in cross sections only)

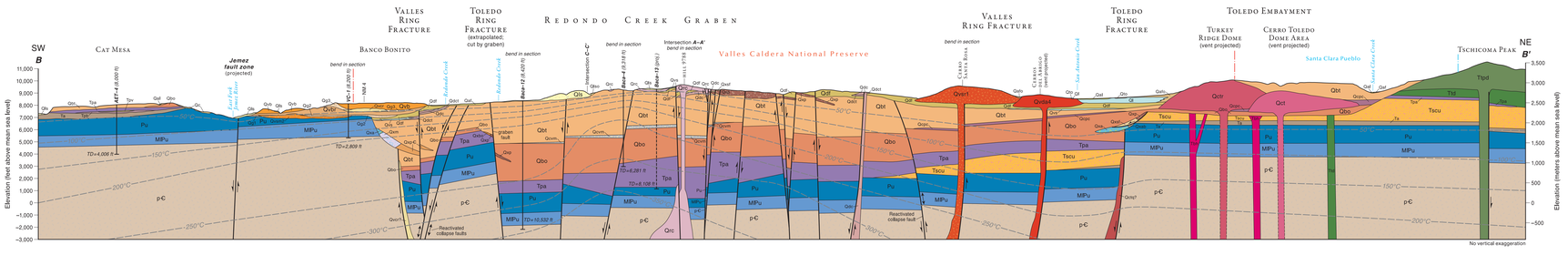
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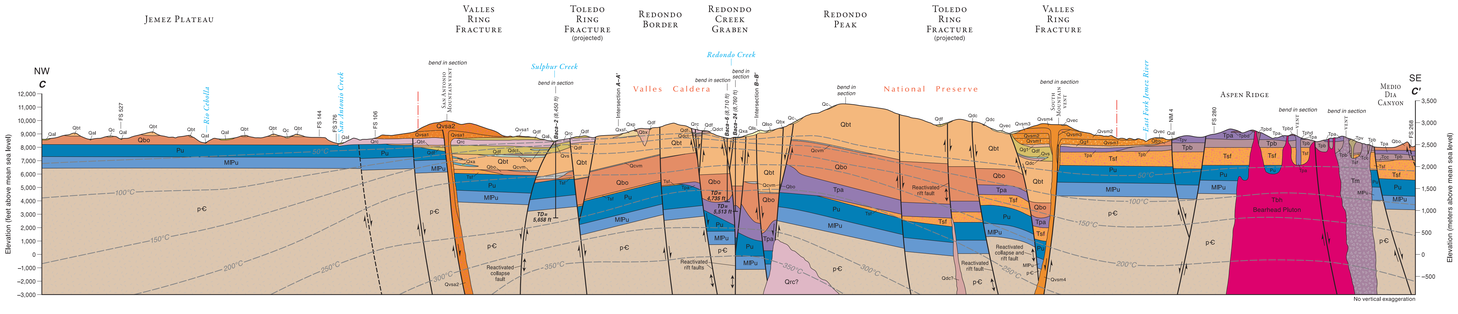
- IPm Madera Group (Pennsylvanian)
- MPu Pennsylvanian–Mississippian rocks, undivided–(Shown in cross sections only)

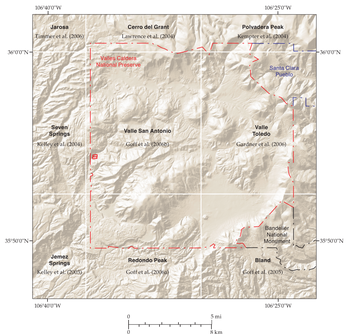
PROTEROZOIC

- p-C Proterozoic rocks, undivided–(Shown in cross sections only)









Key to the new geologic quadrangles used to construct this map.