Upper Cretaceous Lower Cretaceous

Middle

Devonian

Middle & Upper Ordovician

Lower Ordovician Upper Cambrian

Precambrian

Explanation of Map

approximate.

----- 31.08 Map

Location is concealed.

01.01.01 Contact—Identity and existence are certain. Location is

01.01.03 Contact—Identity and existence are certain. Location is

01.01.15 Internal contact—Identity and existence are certain.

02.01.01 Fault (generic; vertical, subvertical, or high-angle; or

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unknown or unspecified orientation or sense of slip)—Identity

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> 02.02.01 Normal fault—Identity and existence are certain. Location is accurate. Ball and bar on downthrown block.

Location is approximate. Ball and bar on downthrown block.

02.08.01 Thrust fault (1st option)—Identity and existence are

08.01.03 Vertical generic (origin not known or not specified)

08.02.03 Inclined flow banding, lamination, layering, or foliation

08.02.04 Vertical flow banding, lamination, layering, or foliation

08.03.02 Inclined metamorphic or tectonic foliation—Showing

02.02.07 Normal fault—Identity and existence are certain. Location is concealed. Ball and bar on downthrown block.

certain. Location is accurate. Sawteeth on upper (tectonically

+ 06.03 Vertical bedding—Showing strike.

in igneous rock—Showing strike.

in igneous rock—Showing strike and dip.

— 06.02 Inclined bedding—Showing strike and dip.

• 31.21 Sample locality—Showing sample number.

31.10 Cross section line and label

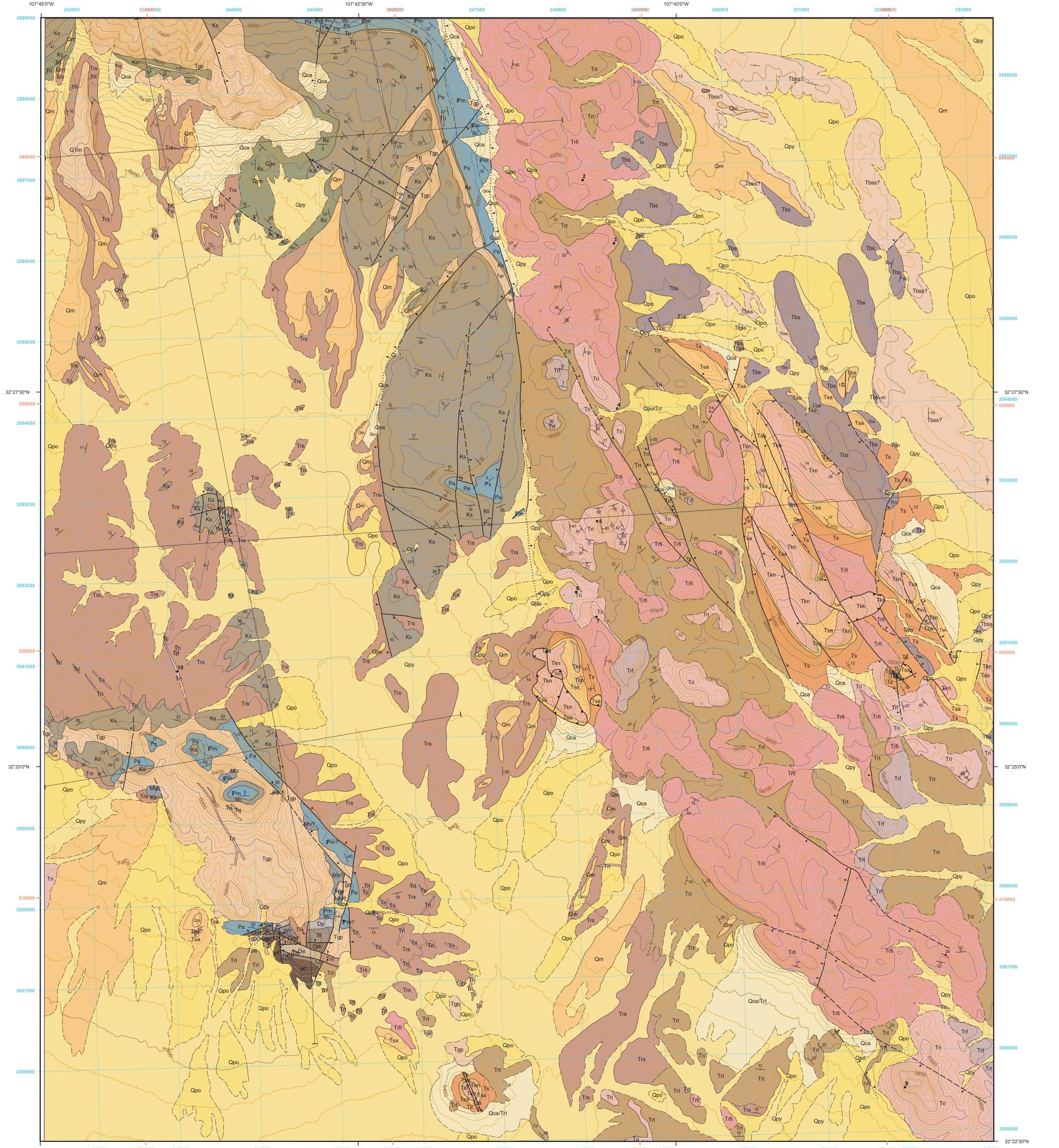
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MIv

Pennsylvanian



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01-01-00-00-Unit—Qca—Undifferentiated colluviumalluvium (Quaternary)—Thin talus-slope veneers and colluvial and alluvial fills on arroyo valley sideslopes, in mountain

canyons and on piedmont slopes

01-02-00-00-Unit—Qpy—Younger piedmont-slope arroyo alluvium (Quaternary)—Fills (silty to gravelly) of shallow drainages cut below older fan and erosion surfaces graded to closed basins

01-03-00-00-Unit—Qpo—Older piedmont-slope alluvium (Quaternary)—Unconsolidated fan deposits, piedmont-valley fills, and erosion surface veneers; associated with surfaces

graded to closed basins; uppermost beds often cemented with pedogenic carbonate 01-04-00-00-Unit — Qm — Mimbre formation (pleistocene) (Quaternary)—Piedmont-slope facies; fan gravel and fanglomerate with interbedded sandy zones; includes thin

erosion-surface veneers near mountain fronts; upper layers contain thick carbonate accumulations (caliche); thickness to 40ft 01-05-00-00-Unit-QTm-Mimbres formation (Pliocene-

Pleistocene) (Tertiary)—Similar to Qm except contains more intensely weathered boulders and thicker carbonate zones and is often preserved in higher level terrace remnants than those composed of Qm 01-06-00-00-Unit—Tbss—Sedimentary Member of Bear

Springs Basalt (Tertiary)—Interbedded tuffaceous sandstone

01-07-00-00-Unit—Tbs—Undifferentiated flows and

and sandy conglomerates; thickness generally less than 100ft

intrusives of Bear Springs Basalt (Tertiary)—Dark-gray to black basaltic andesite (Hawaiite) and basalt; includes some agglutinnated scoriaceous material 01-08-00-00-Unit—Tkn —Kneeling Nun Tuff (Oligocene) (Tertiary)—Pale-red crystal-vitric ash-flow tuff, weathers orange brown; contains 18 to 36 percent phenocrysts of sanidine,

quartz, oligoclase, and biotite; abundant flattened pumice

01-08-00-00-Unit—Tsa—Ash-flow tuff unit of Sugarlump Formation (Tertiary)—Grayish-pink crystal-vitric ash-flow tuff, weathers pale red; contains 18 to 33 percent phenocrysts of oligoclase, sanidine, quartz, and biotite; abundant flattened pumice fragments; thickness 70ft

fragments; thickness 80ft

01-10-00-00-Unit—Ts—Sedimentary unit of Sugarlump Formation (Tertiary)—Interbedded light-colored, tuffaceous volcaniclastic mudstones, sandstones, and conglomerates; includes a lower 12-ft-tick vitric ash-flow tuff and middle 32-ftthick vitric ash-flow tuff; total thickness to 400 ft

Description of Map Units

02-00-00-00—Heading—Rubio Peak Formation—Rubio Peak Formation (Tertiary)—Rubio Peak Formation 02-01-00-00-Unit-Tgp-Granodiorite porphyry (Oligocene) (Tertiary)—Light to medium-gray with abundant white feldspar and few hornblende phenocrysts in matrix of orthoclase, plagioclase, quartz, and minor clinopyroxene; stocks

02-02-00-00-Unit—Trfi—Undifferentiated flows and intrusives (Eocene) of Rubio Peak Formation (Tertiary)—Darkgray, greenish-gray, and reddish-brown basalts, basaltic andesites, and latites; thinly laminated to dense massive, intrusive-extrusive complexes; minerology similar to Tri

02-03-00-00-Unit—Trf—Flows of Rubio Peak Formation (Tertiary) — Dark-gray to black, basalts, basaltic andesites, andesites, and latites; dense to vesicular; slightly porphyritic to nonporphyritic

02-04-00-00-Unit—Tri—Intrusives of Rubio Peak Formation (Tertiary)—Light-to-dark-gray and brownish basalts, basaltic andesites, and dacites; dikes, plugs, and small stocks; contain up to 50 percent phenocrysts of plagioclase, hornblende, augite, hypersthene, and biotite

Rubio Peak Formation (Tertiary)—Grayis-orange, light- to darkgray, talus, lahars, and volcaniclastic deposits; boulders to 5 ft surrounded by tuffaceous material; bedding generally indistinct except in sandy and conglomeratic lenses; maximum thickness 02-06-00-00-Unit—Trs—Starvation Draw member of Rubio

02-05-00-00-Unit—Trt—Tuff breccias and conglomerates of

Peak Formation (Tertiary)—Interbedded pebble to boulder conglomerates, red sandstones, mudstones, and shales; clasts in lower conglomerates mostly from Precambrian, Paleozoic, and Cretaceous rocks; mostly volcanic rock in upper beds; thickness to about 500ft

03-01-00-00-Unit-Kc-Colorado Formation (Cretaceous)—Interbedded, gray, Fossiliferous shales, thinbedded limestones, calcarenites, and flint clays; thickness to

03-02-00-00-Unit—Ks—Sarten Sandstone (Cretaceous)—LIght-gray to yellowish-gray, medium- to massive-bedded, fine- to medium-grained sandstone; few pebble conglomeratic beds; crossbedding and ripple marks fairly common; fossiliferous, gray, shaly marls at base and calcerous sandstone at top; thickness to 300 ft

03-03-00-00-Unit—Pa—Abo Formation (Permian)—Interbedded, reddish, chert-pebble breccias, chert-

limestone-pebble conglomerates, red shale, shaly limestone, and fine sandstone; thickness to 300ft 03-04-00-00-00—Unit—*m—Magdalena Group (Pennsylvanian) — Basal white chert conglomerate overlain by

interbedded limestone, shale, and calcerous siltstones; thickness 03-05-00-00-Unit—Mlv—Lake Vally Formation (Mississippian)—Light-gray to black, thin- to medium-bedded, fossiliferous limestones and marls; abundant chert lenses and knotty nodules; some shale in lower memebers; intensely altered

of Lucky mine; thickness to 400 ft 03-06-00-00-Unit - Dp - Percha Shale (Devonian) - Darkgray shale with limestone nodules in upper part; only exposure is at east end of Fluorite ridge; partly silicified; completely

faulted; thickness about 500 ft

except in Rattlesnake Ridge and small outcrop 0.3 mi northwest

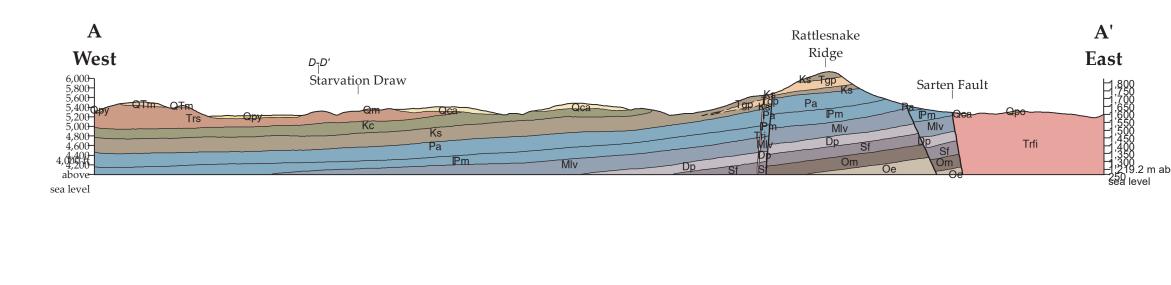
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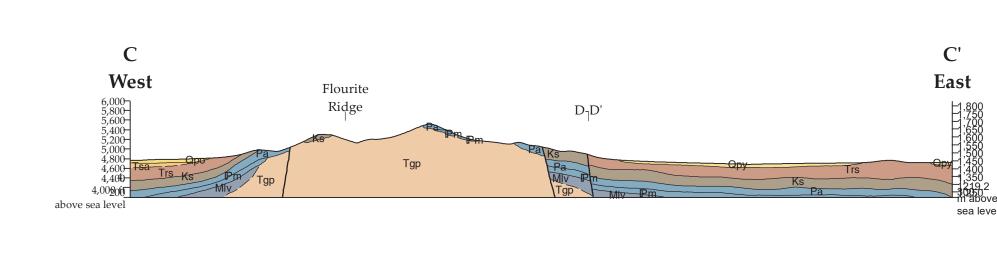
03-08-00-00-Unit — Om — Montoya Dolomite (Ordovician)—Dark-gray, medium- to thick-bedded, dolomite and dolomitic limestone; abundant chert; only exposures are at southeast end of Fluorite Ridge; altered and faulted; thickness about 300 ft

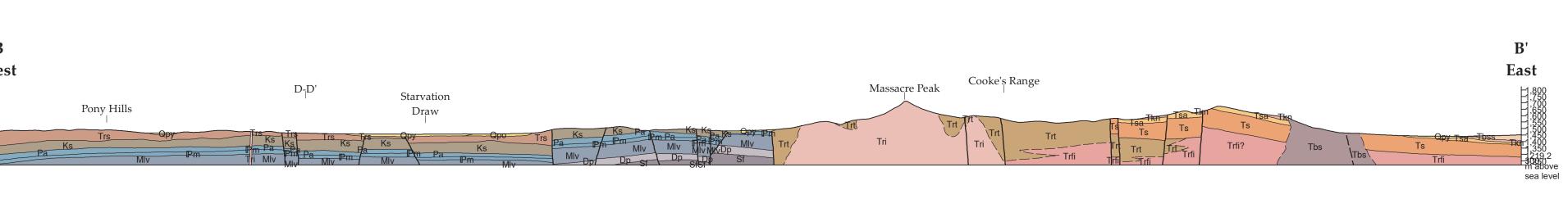
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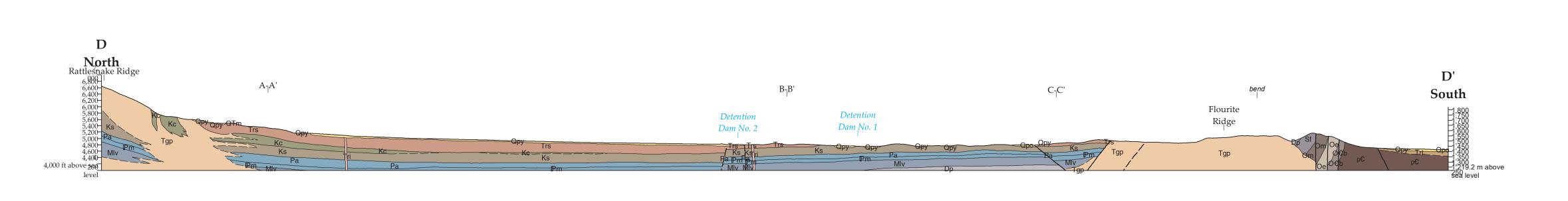
03-10-00-00-Unit-O b-Bliss Sandstone (Cambrian) — Dark-reddish-brown and greenish-gray, thin- to thick-bedded sandstone; only exposures are at southeast end of Fluorite Ridge; thickness about 100ft

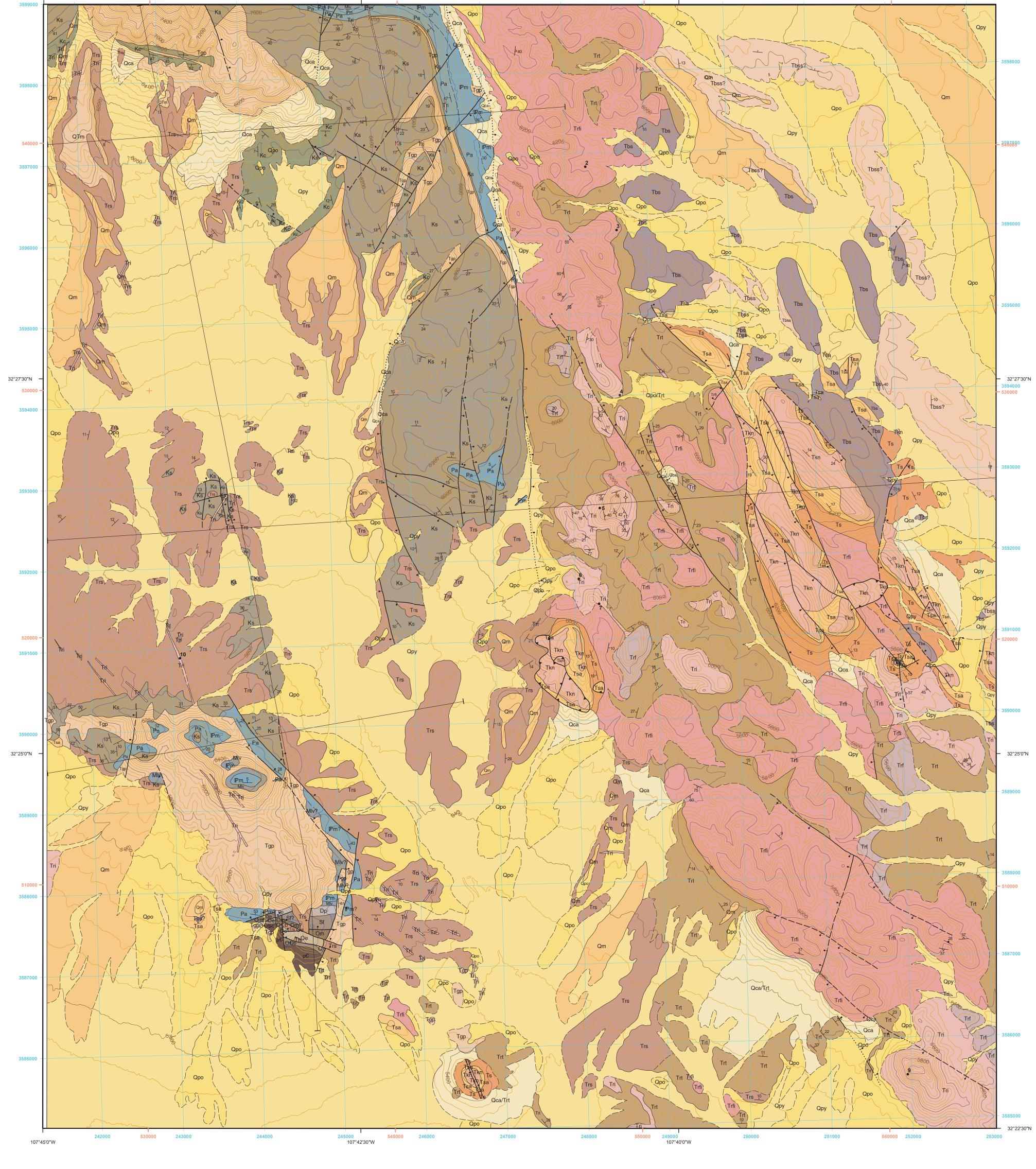
03-11-00-00-Unit —=—Precambrian (Precambrian)—Gray and red granite, diorite(?), amphibolite, and feldspar-quartzmica gneiss and schist; only exposed at southeast end of Fluorite



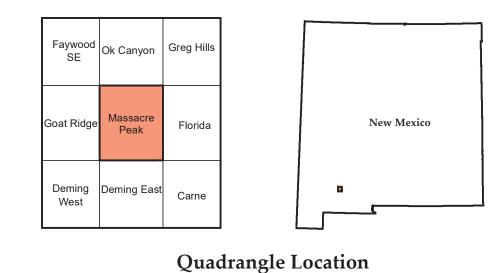








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