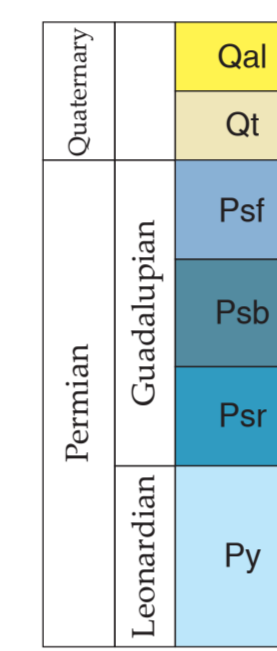


Map Unit Descriptions

- Quaternary**
- Qal** Young alluvium—Cobbles and pebbles of limestone in modern fluvial channels, incised into surrounding strata.
 - Qt** Terrace deposits—Flat topped, thick deposits of pebbles and cobbles. Up to 4-5 m thick.
- Permian**
- Psf** Fourmile Draw Member, San Andres Formation—Dolomitized, thin-bedded sandy limestone. No fossils evident in the few, poor exposures. Contains no chert. Upper Fourmile Draw Member is gypsiferous. 0 to 50 feet as preserved.
 - Psb** Bonney Canyon Member, San Andres Formation—Thin to medium bedded tan dolomite. Common chert that is white, yellow, red, orange and purple in color.
 - Prf** Rio Bonito Member, San Andres Formation—Medium to occasionally thick bedded dark gray micrite to wackestone, with packstone occurring in upper third. 0.5 m thick tongue of Hondo Sandstone occurs rarely: gold, medium grained, well sorted, well rounded quartz arenite.
 - Py** Yeso Formation (Cross Section Only)—Bright yellow and red mudstone interbedded with thin pale brown dolomite beds and medium beds of sandstone (massive to thin bedded).

Map Symbols

Correlation Diagram



- Contact
- Fault Trace. Bar-ball on down-thrown side
- Extrapolation of contact, fold, or fault trace
- Fold, monocline
- Fold, syncline
- Fold, anticline
- Horizontal bedding
- Strike and dip of inclined bedding
- Geologic cross section



View up-dip (to the west) on Thimble Canyon monocline.



Cliffs formed by thick beds in medial Rio Bonito Member, San Andres Formation.



Laminated chert in top surface of Bonney Canyon Member, San Andres Formation.

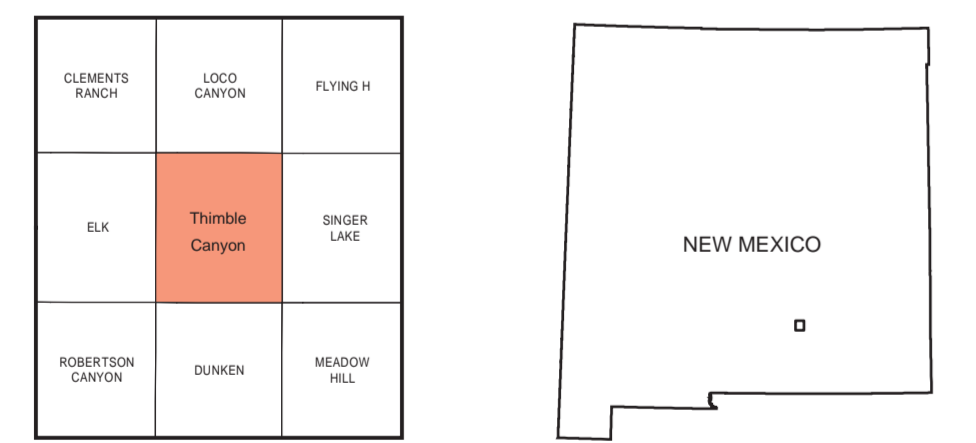


Interbedded dolomite and muddy sandstone in Yeso Formation.

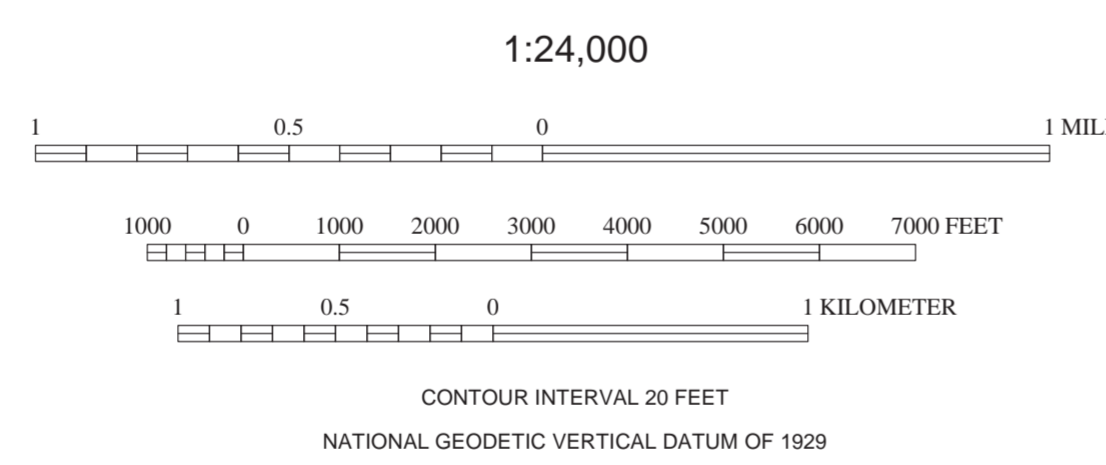


View to north of northeast-southwest trending fault in the western half of Thimble Canyon quadrangle.

Base map from U.S. Geological Survey 1970, from photographs taken 1965, field checked in 1970, edited in 1993.
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1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid, zone 13, shown in blue



QUADRANGLE LOCATION



Geologic map of the Thimble Canyon quadrangle,
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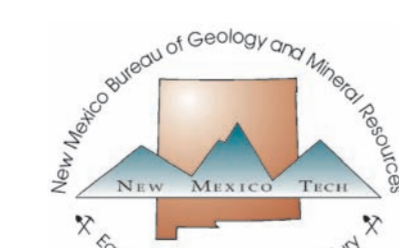
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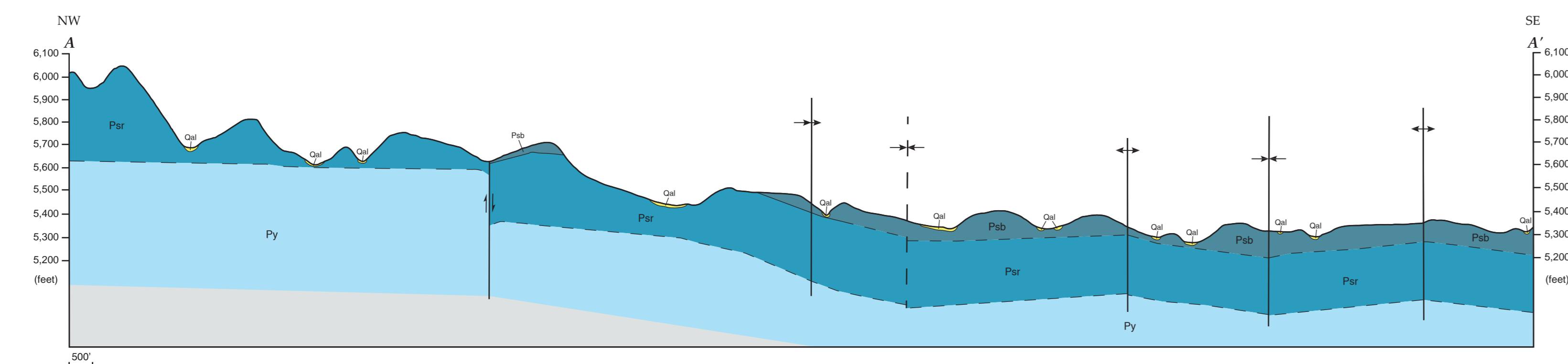


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