

- Quaternary**  
Colluvial, eolian, and anthropogenic deposits
- af Artificial fill (Historic)—Dumped fill and areas affected by human disturbances. Locally mapped where areally extensive or geologic contacts are obscured.
  - Qa Alluvium—Cobbles, sand, silt, and clay transported by seasonal flooding or in active channels. Coarser clasts are dominated by Tertiary porphyry and skarn.
  - Alluvium  
*Alluvium of Arroyo Chorro and tributaries*
  - Qoa Colluvium/alluvium—Sand, silt and clay in abandoned stream channels, flood plains, and lower valley slopes.
  - Qc Colluvium—Unconsolidated sand, silt and clay deposits along upper hill slopes or broad, flat hill crests. A few meters in maximum thickness on upland areas.
  - Ql Colluvium/alluvium—Sand, silt and clay in abandoned stream channels, flood plains, and lower valley slopes.
  - Qaf Alluvial fan—Boulders, gravel, sand, silt, and clay, deposited at the point of emergence of small, perennial streams from highland areas.
  - Qe Eolian deposits—Tan to light pink, wind blown silt and clay lying on gently inclined upland areas. Much of the area has a thin deposit of this material incorporated with the soil.
  - Qr Alluvial fan—Poorly sorted, silt to gravel with subangular clasts of Tertiary igneous and Cretaceous sedimentary material. Some of the latter rock types are metamorphosed to hornfels.
  - Qtr Terrace gravel—Rounded pebbles and cobbles of variable composition including Phanerozoic chert, sandstone, Tertiary igneous clasts and skarn, in a sand or silt matrix.
- Basin-fill Deposits**  
*Santa Fe Group (Upper Oligocene-lower Pleistocene)*
- QTI Tuerto Gravels of Stearns (1933) (lower Pleistocene to upper Pliocene)—Yellowish to reddish-brown and yellowish-red moderately consolidated and calcite cemented, moderately to well stratified pebble to cobble conglomerate and pebbly to cobbly conglomeratic sandstone with scattered boulders and muddy sandstone interbeds. Matrix is fine to very coarse-grained, very poorly sorted sandstone, and gravel clasts contain abundant subangular to subangular clasts derived from the Ortiz Mountains (andesite porphyry and augite monzonite; black, reddish-brown, and banded hornfels, and lesser quartzite, chert, and petrified wood. Bedding in the Tuerto Gravel is subhorizontal. Thickness is 18 m (60 ft).
  - QTA Santa Fe Group of the Hacienda Basin—Calcite-cemented gravels and sand composed of sedimentary, igneous, skarn and hornfels clasts derived from the Ortiz Mountains and granite, schist, quartz and feldspar clasts derived from the Sangre de Cristo Mountains (in the eastern outcrops). Sub-horizontal and massively bedded.
- Oligocene**  
**Igneous Rocks**
- Tap Andesite porphyry—Grayish green to gray on fresh surfaces, fine to medium grained, porphyritic. In the Ortiz Mountains phenocrysts of plagioclase, lesser hornblende, and rare quartz make up 40 to 60 percent of the rock. Groundmass is gray and aphanitic. Subhedral andesine plagioclase makes up about 75 percent of the phenocrysts and ranges 1 to 2 mm. Black euhedral hornblende phenocrysts (0.6-5 mm) constitute nearly all the rest of the phenocryst assemblage. Clear, highly resorbed quartz makes up perhaps 1% of the phenocrysts. Plagioclase, orthoclase, and quartz, and trace albite, zircon, and rutile form the groundmass. Hornblende-rich (augite-core?) xenoliths 2 to 10 cm in diameter are commonly found in the andesite porphyry (Coles, 1990). Andesite porphyry forms lacoliths, sills, dikes, and irregular masses. Thermal metamorphism of surrounding sedimentary rocks is limited to a narrow contact zone usually less than 10 cm wide.
  - Thm Augite-hornblende-biotite monzonite—Fine to medium grained. Holocrystalline. Magnetic studies indicate that small outcropping bodies on flanks of Lone Mountain may be apophyses of larger stock. Similar to large intrusive that holds up the central mass of the Ortiz Mountains (Maynard, 1995, 2000, in prep.).
  - Tl Feldspar-porphyr late and trachytic latite—Gray to tan, with tabular euhedral orthoclase phenocrysts up to 1.0 cm long in light gray groundmass. Commonly shows a trachytic texture. Forms dikes on the southeastern part of Captain Davis Mountain.
  - Tt Trachytic latite—See Tl description.
  - Tha Hornblende andesite—Light gray, aphanitic porphyritic dikes. Phenocrysts of feldspar and highly altered hornblende comprise a few percent of the rock. Dikes to 4 m (13 ft) width weather to low ridges, even in shale country rock.
  - Thns Hornblende monzonite—Dark purple-brown, aphanitic porphyritic dike. Phenocrysts of pyroxene and feldspar. Dikes to 7 m (23 ft) width stand as bold walls along much of their lengths.
  - Trms Quartz monzoniorite—Forms the eastern part of Captain Davis Mountain.

Map Units

- Eocene**
- Tp Galisteo Formation, Lower unit—Alternating pink to red colored beds of arkosic sandstone, siltstone, and mudstone with conglomerate lenses comprised of rounded pebbles of Precambrian granite and schist and Paleozoic sedimentary. Thickness approximately 1,060 m (3,500 ft).
- Paleocene**
- Ta Diamond Tail Formation—Variegated sandstone, conglomerate, mudstone and local limestone beds. Sandstone beds are massive, friable, usually cross bedded and composed of medium to coarse-grained, subrounded, poorly sorted quartz and lesser chert. Kaolin, limonite, or calcite commonly constitute the matrix. Colors are tan, brown, orange, pink, red and white. Mudstones are gray to red in color and poorly exposed. A thin, basal conglomeratic zone containing rounded, highly polished chert pebbles is commonly present. Maximum thickness approximately 90 m (300 ft). Overlies the Mesavere Group with angular unconformity and is overlain discontinuously by the Galisteo Formation. The Diamond Tail Formation of Lucas and others (1997) is the basal portion of the Galisteo Formation of Stearns (1943) and Lucas (1982). The Diamond Tail Formation was deposited in alluvial channels and broad floodplains in a northeast-trending Laramide basin.
- Upper Cretaceous**  
*Mesa Verde Group. Divided into 2 formations. The thickness decreases northward due to a regional erosional surface.*
- Kmf Menefee Formation—Sandstone, carbonaceous shale, claystone (mined), and coal. Thickness 0-85 m (0-280 ft). Pebble-sized siltstone concretions in basal portion of section.
  - Kpl Point Lookout Sandstone—Dark brown to olive, fine to medium-grained, massive bedded sandstone and fossiliferous brown mudstone containing calcite-cemented concretions. Interbedded thin gray shale. Thickness ranges from 0-121 m (0-400 ft) beneath angular unconformity. The lower contact with the upper Mancos beds is gradational.
- Mancos Group—(Thicknesses from the Ojo Helodonia Quadrangle)**
- Km Niobrara Formation—Comprised of two shale and one sandstone and sandy-shale sections. Thickness of the entire section cannot be determined directly, but probably exceeds 430 m (1,500 ft).
  - Krl Shale—Medium-gray calcareous and weathers olive-brown. Poorly exposed, mostly in arroyos. The uppermost shale section (K2) contains abundant concretions and ammonites and is gradational to the Point Lookout Sandstone (Kp).
  - Krd Shale—See Krl description.
  - Ksd Sandstone Member—Light yellowish gray, even bedded, fine-grained sandstone and interbedded shale. The base lies approximately 90 m (300 ft) above lower contact of formation. Thickness approximately 100 m (330 ft).
  - Kc Carlisle Shale—Dark gray to black, laminated shale. Weathers to yellow-brown color. Poorly exposed. Thickness approximately 91 m (300 ft).
  - Kod Coddell Sandstone Member—An 8.5 m (280) thick exposure along Gaviso Arroyo consists of: 1) A basal, 4.5 m (15 ft) thick section of fine- to very-fine grained, grayish-yellow to brownish-yellow, finely upping, bioturbated, cross-bedded sandstone; 2) 0.9 m (3 ft) of brownish-gray, non-calcareous, argillaceous sandstone with gypsum crystals and yellowish iron encrustations; and, 3) an upper, 2 m (7 ft) thick, finely upping section of very fine grained sandstone and siltstone interbeds.
  - Kj Juana Lopez Member—Brown-gray platy, fossiliferous, arenaceous, crystalline limestone and calcareous gray shale and gray shale. Limestone is commonly composed of needle-like fragments of Inoceramus shells. Ratio of carbonate to sand varies greatly along strike. Thickness 6 m (20 ft).
  - Kg Greenhorn Limestone—Alternating beds of dark gray argillaceous micrite and medium- to dark-gray calcareous shale. Beds are usually less than 0.5 m (1.5 ft) thick. Weathers light gray and forms a low ridge. Imprints of Inoceramus labiatus are common as are foraminifera. Thickness 15 m (50 ft).
  - Kd Dakota Formation—Undivided on the Captain Davis Mountain quadrangle. Tan to orange-brown, fine- to medium-grained quartz arenite and carbonaceous shale. Sandstone is commonly bioturbated. Gray shale and highly carbonaceous black shale are interbedded with thin lenses of tan sandstone, commonly containing fragments of coal. Thickness is 29 m (96 ft) in Hub Mesa in the adjacent (east) Ojo Helodonia Quadrangle.

- Upper Jurassic**
- Jm Morrison Formation—Variegated shale, tan and light red-brown sandstone and lenses of tan and white pebble conglomerate. Sandstone is fine-grained, subangular to subrounded quartz and minor chert and feldspar. Bedding in plane to massive and cross beds are common. Green, gray and maroon mudstone and interbedded tan sandstone are common in the upper portion of the section although a persistent, white kaolin-bearing sandstone underlies the upper contact. Thickness approximately 130 m (500 feet). Includes the Middle Jurassic Summerville Formation.
- Middle Jurassic**  
*San Raphael Group*
- Jt Todillo Formation—Light grayish-brown limestone: laminated and crumulated with fetid odor on fresh surface. Overlain by thin bedded, dark-gray limestone containing red Jasper nodules. Thickness is 8 m (26 ft) along south side of Hub Mesa. West of the Captain Davis Mountain Quadrangle the formation contains a gypsum member. An unknown thickness of the gypsum member may be present in the subsurface of the Captain Davis Mountain Quadrangle.
  - Ja Entrada Formation—Consists of upper white and lower brownish-pink units of cross-bedded, quartz arenite. Extremely friable, but weathers to bold cliff. Thickness 32 m (107 ft) along south side of Hub Mesa.
- Triassic**  
*Chinle Group*
- Jc Chinle Group undifferentiated—Red-orange, dark brown, purplish-gray and green, thick-bedded mudstone, buff to dark red-brown, cross-bedded sandstone and limestone pebble conglomerate. Thickness is probably on the order of 150 m (500 ft).
- Permian**
- Pb Bernal Formation—Yellowish-gray to reddish-purple sandstone and siltstone and brown limestone pebble conglomerate. 15-25 m (50 to 130 ft) thick.
  - Pa San Andres Limestone—Medium to light gray, fine-grained, fetid limestone and interbedded calcareous sandstone. 4.5 to 12 m (16 to 40 ft).
  - Pg Clorieta Sandstone—Medium to light gray, medium to fine-grained, well sorted sandstone. 20 to 33 m (65 to 110 ft).
  - Py Yeso Formation—Medium reddish-brown to red mudstone, siltstone, fine grained sandstone and pale greenish purple limestone. 21 m to 42 m (70 to 140 ft).
  - Pzc Sangre de Cristo Formation—Medium brown to dark reddish-brown mudstone and buff to dark brown, conglomeratic arkose. 91 to 910 m (300 to 3,000 ft) thick in the Canoncito area north of Lamy along Tijeras-Canoncito accommodation zone.
- Pennsylvanian**
- Pm Madera Formation—Gray to light brown, thick-bedded limestone, gray to brown calcareous sandstone and buff and dark brown fossiliferous arkose. 246 m (820 ft).
- Mississippian**
- Mg Sandia Formation—Buff to brown sandstone, interbedded gray shale and argillaceous limestone. 48 m (160 ft).
  - Ms Terro Formation—Buff to dark brown, thick-bedded, coarse-grained limestone breccia in calcareous arkose matrix. 9 m (30 ft).
- Proterozoic**  
**Precambrian Basement—Proterozoic granite and mica schist.**

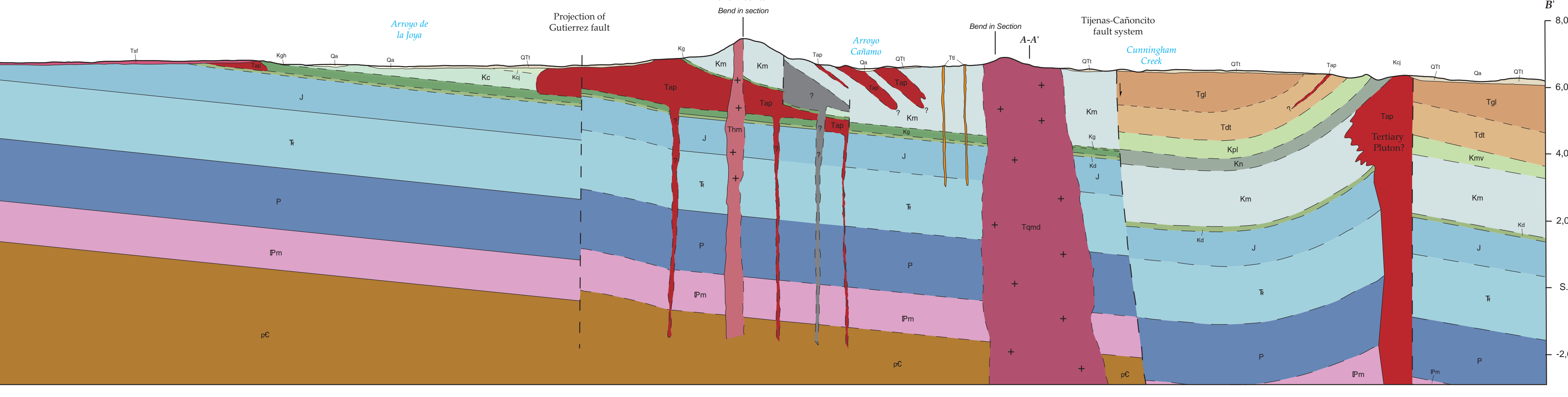
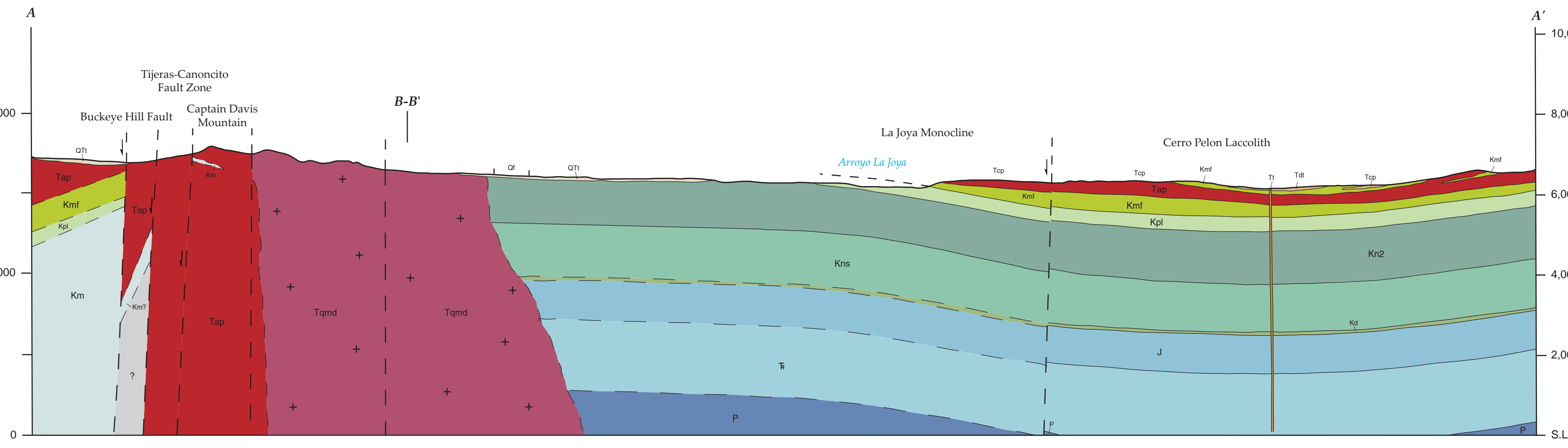
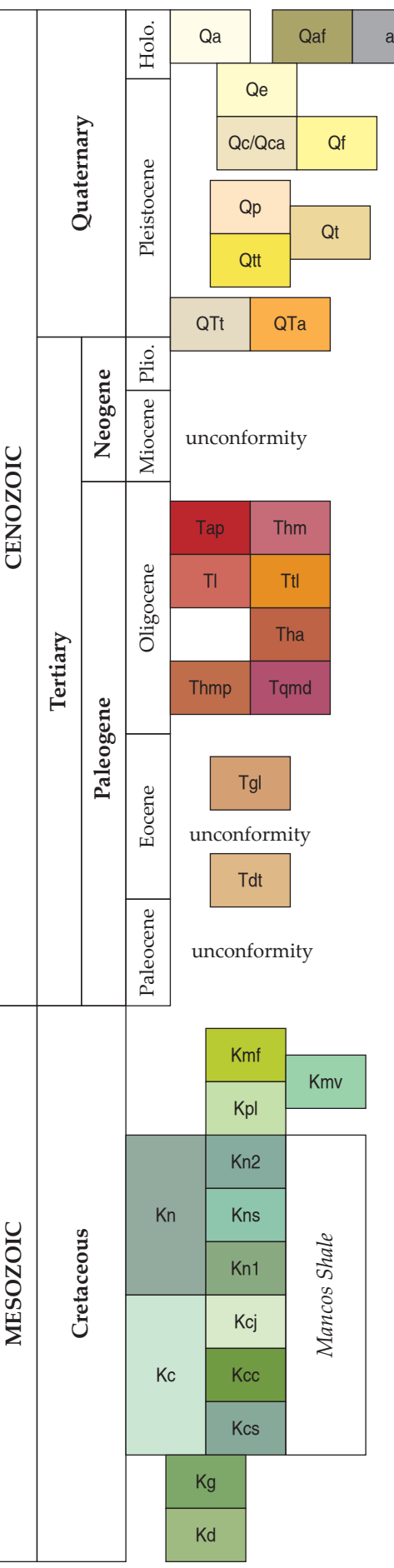


FIGURE 1—View to west of a hornblende monzonite porphyry dike intruded into the Niobrara Shale. From this outcrop at Comanche Gap in the Ojo Helodonia quadrangle, the dike, one of a swarm of radial dikes, extends for seven miles west to the eastern flank of Captain Davis Mountain.

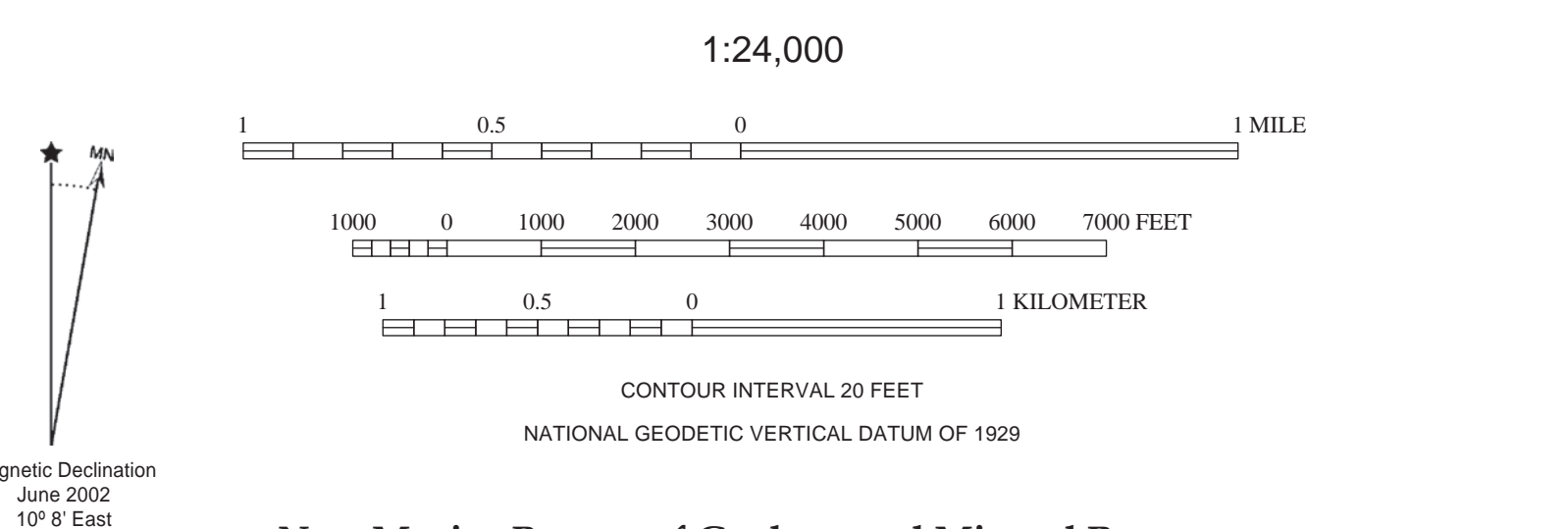


FIGURE 2—View to northeast of mesoscopic-scale, fault-propagation anticline in limestone and calcareous shale beds of the Greenhorn Limestone. The fold is located southeast of Captain Davis Mountain. The north-southwest trend of the fold trace is compatible with Laramide trends, but may be related to the nearby Paleogene intrusive bodies.

Correlation of Units



Base map from U.S. Geological Survey 1870 from photographs taken 1965, field checked in 1970, edited in 1993. 1:250,000 North American datum, UTM projection - zone 12N. 1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid, zone 12N shown in blue.



- Map Symbols**
- Contact: dashed where inferred, dotted where covered.
  - Fault: dashed where inferred, dotted where covered.
  - Beating and plunge direction of hornblende lineation.
  - Strike and dip of bedding. In areas of Qa or Qoa, symbols indicate isolated outcrop in arroyos.
  - Strike and dip of flow foliation in igneous rocks.
  - Adit
  - Dip of fault or dike.
  - Plunging anticline
  - Plunging syncline
  - Anticlinal flexure
  - Synclinal flexure
  - Water well
  - Geologic cross section

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