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Spatial Geologic Data Model for the Gunnison, Grand Mesa, Uncompahare National Forests Mineral Resource Assessment Area, Southwestern Colorado and Digital Data for the Leadville, Montrose, Durango, and Colorado Parts of the Grand Junction, Moab, and Cortez 1° X 2° Geologic Maps

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INTRODUCTION

The digital geologic and geographic information system (GIS) data presented here were prepared to aid in Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre, Gunnison National Forest (GMUG) mineral resource assessment Project studies by the U.S. Geological Survey Mineral Resource Program. The goals of the GMUG Project is to provide mineral resource data and an assessment for undiscovered mineral resources in U.S. Forest Service (USFS) and Bureau of Land Management (BLM) lands in southwestern Colorado. The Project area covers a large region in southwestern Colorado that is bounded by latitudes 37° 45' to 39° 30' north and longitudes 106° to 109° west. The study area is covered by all or parts of six 1°x2° topographic and quadrangle geologic maps, which include geologic maps for the Leadville (Tweto and others, 1978), Montrose (Tweto and others, 1976), Durango (Steven and others, 1974), Grand Junction (Cashion, 1973), Moab (Williams, 1976), and Cortez (Haynes and others, 1972) quadrangles. These geologic maps were used inasmuch as a complete remapping and compilation effort for this study area was beyond the scope of the Project.

Two possible geologic map data sets are currently available that cover the study area—the digital version (Green, 1992) of the 1:500,000 scale Colorado State geologic map by Tweto (1979), and the aforementioned six 1:250,000 scale geologic maps, which were previously not in digital form. The USFS and BLM asked for the data and interpretive derivative maps from the GMUG Project to be at least at 1:250,000 scale. In compiling the Colorado State geologic map, Tweto used a 1:500,000-scale topographic map as his base map, which has map accuracy standards that differ from those of the 1:250,000 scale topographic maps. Tweto also generalized the geologic map units and structural data to provide detail at the broader scale, which reduced the amount of detail and accuracy portrayed on the original 1:250,000-scale maps. Simply reprojecting the State compilation to the larger scale (1:250,000) was found to be unsatisfactory for this Project. Not only did the "stretched" map not accurately overlie the 1:250,000 scale topographic base map, but the details felt to be

important to the Project objectives were eliminated by the generalization necessary for the State geologic map compilation.

Therefore, to obtain suitably accurate 1:250,000 scale geologic map coverage for the GMUG Project area, we used the Colorado parts of the above mentioned six 1°x2° geologic quadrangles. Each was digitized in its native projection to produce ARC/INFO format geologic coverages attributed with the original map unit labels, which were not always common throughout the GMUG study area. The six coverages were then merged into a single digital geologic coverage, for which additional attributes were assigned, including a common rock unit label applicable throughout the study area as well as lithologic, economic, and aggregate quality parameters. Because the six source maps were independently developed, discontinuities exist at the boundaries between adjacent quadrangles. No attempt was made to reconcile these differences.

The utility of the digital data presented here goes well beyond the needs of the GMUG Project. Several of the critical building blocks for developing the spatial databases are provided in this report. Digitization of the original six geologic quadrangles has not only contributed to the GMUG Project, but also has provided a set of data that are potentially useful for a variety of other purposes. Digital rock unit descriptions can be used to build digital databases able to be queried for purposes other than the mineral resource assessment.

Building a digital geologic data model (database structure) for the entire region allowed the GMUG Project to undertake a GIS-based mineral resource assessment and aided the environmental studies for the area. However, the utility and power of this database is not limited to the goals of the GMUG Project. For instance, the map unit descriptions can be searched to find user-defined key phrases and features can be selected using these as criteria. As an example, generalized geologic maps based on rock unit ages or rock types (regardless of the age) can be easily produced. Derivative maps depicting slope stability, roadbed stability, and possible landslide potential might also be developed from these data sets based on the known lithologic character (for example, shales fail easier than granites). These auxiliary uses of the basic geologic and GIS data allow users to more

fully utilize the scientific information contained in geologic maps even though the data were developed before GIS tools were available.

BACKGROUND

The geologic map (1:500,000 scale) for the State of Colorado was compiled by Tweto (1979) by using 1°x2° geologic quadrangle maps (1:250,000 scale) that were generated mainly during the 1970's. Green (1992) digitized Tweto's original linework and attributed the polygons with the rock unit labels, thus creating one of the first topologically structured state geologic maps. Green's digital version of Tweto's State map facilitated its use in geographic information systems applications. Langer and others (1997) added attributes that estimate the suitability of those rock units exposed along the Front Range urban corridor for natural aggregate used in Portland cement concrete. These attributes included evaluations of the physical and chemical qualities of each map unit and a generalized lithologic descriptor for each unit. With these attributes, that part of the digital data for the Geologic Map of Colorado that corresponds to the Front Range urban corridor can be searched for potential natural aggregate sources, as well as for units with broadly classified lithologic characteristics. Following the method of Langer and others (1997), Knepper and others (1999) further annotated the digital Geologic Map of Colorado of Green (1992) by adding attributes for the lithologic units, including information on the mode of formation, composition, texture, and variability of the mapped units. They also added a second set of attributes characterizing the physical and chemical properties of each rock unit for use as natural aggregate in Portland cement concrete and identifies other known uses of each unit for construction materials to evaluate natural aggregate potential on a statewide basis. For this report, we used a similar procedure to create a digital geologic map model for the GMUG study area.

To make the spatial database more powerful, map units were attributed using a hierarchical lithologic classification scheme being developed by Bruce R. Johnson (U.S. Geological Survey,

written communication, 1999) (see Appendix C). Using these added attributes, the user can search on either general rock categories (for example, metamorphic, sedimentary, or igneous) or specific rock types (for example, basalt, granite, or quartz latite).

METHOD

The digital geologic data model was constructed for the GMUG Project area using the six original Colorado parts of the 1°x2° geologic quadrangle maps (Leadville, Montrose, Durango, Grand Junction, Moab, and Cortez) using the attributes given in Appendix A. The six maps were then merged, clipped to the study area boundary (latitudes between 37° 45' and 39° 30' north and longitudes between 106° and 109° west), and projected into a Lambert conformal conic projection. The Lambert conformal conic parameters used standard parallels of 33° 0' 00" and 45° 0' 00", central meridian 108° 0' 00" west, latitude of origin 0°0' 00", false eastings and northings of 0 meters, units used were meters, and the Clark 1866 spheroid.

The next step was to enhance the digital data by providing attributes for lithologic descriptions, lithologic character, economic geologic information contained in the original map unit text, and natural aggregate quality for Portland cement. To do this, a correlation matrix (similar to a correlation chart common on compiled geologic maps) was developed (Appendix B) that relates each of the original map units to a common map unit label (attribute Total; Appendix A, B). The source geologic map unit labels were retained to identify what the original authors labeled the units (attribute Type; Appendix A). The original map unit name and entire descriptions were recorded for each unit for each map (see spreadsheet mapunits.xls). From this, a new generalized map unit description (attributes Unit_1, Unit_2, Unit_3; Appendix A) was developed for the common unit name (attribute Total; Appendix A). Each of the new map units was then assigned attributes for age, lithologic descriptions for the primary and secondary rock types within each unit, general economic geology characteristics, and the physical and chemical characteristics of each unit for possible development as

a natural aggregate resource for Portland cement (see Appendixes A and C). The digital geologic map of the GMUG Project study area is included on this CD as an Arc Interchange file, gmug_geol.e00.

The Federal information spatial data transfer standard (SDTS) files given on the CD in directory entitled XYZ are stored in the geographic coordinate system (decimal degrees of latitude and longitude) instead of the Lambert Conformal Conic projection used for the Arc/Info export format for the geologic data. The reason for this is that the ESRI Arc/Info implementation of the SDTS format does not support Lambert Conformal Conic projection with units of meters.

DESCRIPTION OF DIGITAL FILES

This database was developed to enhance the usefulness of the Colorado parts of the six 1°x2° quadrangle digital geologic maps for the purposes of conducting a mineral resource assessment of the GMUG study area by combining the rock unit descriptions and correlating each geologic map unit into a generalized unit description and series of attributes. Several of the data sets were developed using Microsoft EXCEL (version 97) and are included. The ARC/INFO interchange files are given as *.e00 files in the arc_file directory and the individual quadrangle geologic map digital data are in the quads directory.

Definitions of the attributes in spreadsheet mapunits.xls applied to the ARC/INFO digital geologic map (gmug_geol.e00) are listed in Appendix A. The map unit attributes are presented in the spreadsheet mapunits.xls. The individual rock unit descriptions for the Colorado parts of the maps were each entered into individual worksheets within the spreadsheet. Each worksheet is titled for the 1°x2° geologic quadrangle map from which the data were transcribed within the main spreadsheet. A unique numeric value (attribute G1), an age (attribute Age), and generalized map unit description (attributes Unit_1, Unit_2, and Unit_3) were assigned to each unit. The Geologic Map Unit Classification being developed by Bruce R. Johnson (U.S. Geological Survey, written communication, 1999) and reproduced in Appendix C was employed to describe the lithologic

character for each unit (attributes Litho_1; Litho_2; Primary, and Secondary). Attribute Notes is a comment field reserved for each unit. Economic geologic characteristics, such as the presence of stratabound oil shale or coal, types of mineral deposits in individual units, are added using attributes Econ_1, Econ_2, and Econ_3. These economic geologic attributes are only those mentioned in the text of the source geologic map unit descriptions given in the original geologic quadrangle maps and do not necessarily represent the entire suite of mineral deposit types within each unit.

Many of the bedrock units within the study area are appropriate for utilization as natural aggregate in Portland cement concrete. Each of the general units (attribute Total) was characterized for physical quality (attribute Aggphys) and chemical quality (attribute Aggchem) suitability as aggregate. Estimates for natural aggregate potential are based on the general suitability of common rock types and sedimentary deposits for use as aggregate in Portland cement concrete as outlined in USGS Open-File Report 95-582 (Langer and Knepper, 1995). See Knepper and others (1999) for more details on applying the methodology to the geologic maps. Most of the geologic map units are compound units composed of several formations. Therefore, only parts of some rock units in the study area are actually of satisfactory physical and chemical quality, and the spatial distribution of these units provides a maximum estimate of where quality aggregate source rock may be present; detailed geologic maps must be consulted to determine the exact locations of quality natural aggregate sources.

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contents.txt OF99-427.DOC OF99-427.WP5 mapunits.xls Text file that contains this section, Contents of the CD-ROM text. This document, Open-File 99-427, in MS Word format.

This document, Open-File 99-427, in WordPerfect 5.1 format.

Excel (version 97) spreadsheet containing several worksheets of geologic map unit information. Worksheets titled Leadville, Montrose, Grand Junction, Moab, Cortez, Durango contain entire texts from rock unit descriptions for the Colorado part of each map. Worksheet Total contains a correlation matrix, for the map units, a generalized map unit name, generalized geologic map unit descriptions, economic geology and estimates

for suitability of the generalized unit for use as aggregate in Portland cement

production.

av_lengd.avl ArcView legend for shade set used for constructing an ArcView Project gmugmeta.txt Metadata file, which is a spatial data description file containing projection,

lineage, authorship, and other data for the digital geologic data files

/arc_gmug Directory containing the following ARC/INFO data files

gmug.meta GIS metadata information project.txt Map projection information

gmuggeol.e00 Geologic data model and spatial geologic map for the GMUG study area.

gmugfltl.e00 Faults for GMUG study area

gmugdisl.e00 Fault displacement decoration for faults in GMUG study area

stdybndl.e00 Polygon for study area boundary

frstbndl.e00 Approximate location of USFS boundaries within the study area

fnt003.e00 Font set used

mapbar.aml ARC/INFO aml file that builds the scale bar for the map gmugl.aml ARC/INFO aml file for building plot file of geologic map load.aml ARC/INFO aml file for loading the datasets into ARC/INFO gmugshd.e00 ARC/INFO shadeset used for plotting the geologic map

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geologic, fault, and fault displacement data

/cort bed.e00 File containing strike and dip point data

/cort dis.e00 File containing point data for down thrown side of faults

/cort_flt.e00 File containing arc data for traces of faults

/cort_geo.e00 File containing for arc data for contacts, polygons, and formation name attributes (type and code)

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Subdirectory containing Durango1°x2° geologic map geologic, fault, and

fault displacement data

/dura dis.e00 File containing point data for down thrown side of faults

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Subdirectory containing Colorado part of the Grand Junction 1°x2° geologic /grandj/ map geologic, fault, and fault displacement data

/gran_dis.e00 File containing point data for down thrown side of faults

/gran flt.e00 File containing arc data for traces of faults

/gran_geo.e00 File containing arc data for contacts, polygons, and formation name attributes (type and code)

/leadvlle/

Subdirectory containing the Leadville 1°x2° geologic map geologic, fault,

and fault displacement data

/lead_con.e00 File containing arc data for geologic contacts

/lead_dis.e00 File containing point data for down thrown side of faults

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/lead_geo.e00 File containing arc data for contacts, polygons, and formation name

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/moab_geo.e00 File containing arc data for contacts, polygons, and formation name

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/montrose/ Subdirectory containing Montrose1°x2° geologic map geologic, fault, and

fault displacement data

/mont_con.e00 File containing arc data for geologic contacts

/mont_dis.e00 File containing point data for down thrown side of faults

/mont_flt.e00 File containing arc data for traces of faults

/mont_geo.e00 File containing general geology for arc data for contacts, polygons,

and formation name attributes (type and code)

/sdtsgmug/ Directory containing Federal information spatial data transfer standard

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geologic data for the GMUG study area

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/gmug_geo/ Subdirectory containing polygon data and attributes for geologic data

/studybnd/ Subdirectory containing study area boundary

/sdtsquad/ Directory containing Federal information spatial data transfer standard

format geologic data for the 1°x2° geologic maps

/cortez/ Subdirectory for Cortez 1°x2° geologic map data

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APPENDIX A

Properties and data definitions for the add-on lithology and aggregate quality attributes file as applied to the digital data sets for the GMUG study area.

GENERAL ATTRIBUTES

- **TYPE** The label used on the original individual geologic quadrangle maps as supplied by the digitizing contractor. Contains some errors when check to original map. Retained for thoroughness.
- **CODE** Corrected map unit label of the original geologic quadrangle map.
- **QUAD** Name of the original Leadville (l), Montrose (mr), Durango (d), Grand Junction (gj), Moab (m), and Cortez (c) geologic quadrangle maps incorporated in the final coverage for the feature.
- **G1** Unique numeric value for each combination of map unit labels from each quadrangle map.
- **TOTAL** Generalized unifying geologic map symbol for each of the geologic units.
- **AGE-** That part of the SYMBOL (above) that indicates geologic age. Symbol can be a combination of youngest (first character) and oldest (second character) for units that span more than one age period.
- UNIT_1 The formations, or the broad description of lithologies that are not formally named, included in the mapping unit.
- **UNIT_2** The continuation of UNIT_1, where necessary.
- **UNIT** 3 The continuation of UNIT 2, where necessary.
- **LITHO_1** General rock category for predominant rock type in map unit.
- **LITHO_2** Specific rock category for predominant rock type in map unit.
- **PRIMARY** Dominant rock type(s) or texture(s).
- **SECONDARY**–Subordinant rock type present in unit.
- **NOTES** Comment field.
- **ECON 1** Economic commodity contained locally within map unit.
- **ECON_2** The continuation of ECON_1, where necessary.
- **ECON_3** The continuation of ECON_1, where necessary.
- **Aggphys -** An estimate of the physical quality of a map unit as a potential source of aggregate for use in Portland cement concrete based on the lithologic descriptions for the unit (see Langer and Knepper, 1995):
 - **satisfactory** Particles are hard to firm, relatively free from fractures, and not chiplike; capillary absorption is very small or absent; and the surface texture is relatively rough.

- fair Particles exhibit one or two of the following qualities: firm to friable; moderately fractured; capillary absorption small to moderate; flat or chiplike; surface relatively smooth and impermeable; very low compressibility; coefficient of thermal expansion approaching zero or being negative in one or more directions.
- poor Particles exhibit one or more of the following qualities: friable to pulverant; slake when wetted and dried; highly fractured; capillary absorption moderate to high; marked volume change with wetting and drying; combine three or more qualities under "fair".
- **Aggchem -** An estimate of whether a map unit contains constituents that react adversely with Portland cement concrete (Chemical Quality) based on the lithologic descriptions for unit (see Langer and Knepper, 1995):
 - Innocuous—Particles contain no constituents which dissolve or react chemically to a significant extent with constituents of the atmosphere, water, or hydrating Portland cement concrete while enclosed in concrete or mortar under ordinary conditions.
 - Deleterious—Particles contain one or more constituents in significant proportion which are known to react chemically under conditions ordinarily prevailing in Portland cement concrete or mortar in such a manner as to produce significant volume change, interfere with the normal course of hydration or Portland cement, or supply substances which might produce harmful effects upon concrete or mortar.

APPENDIX B

Correlation matrix for the geologic map unit labels used in the Colorado parts of the Leadville (Tweto and others, 1978), Montrose (Tweto and others, 1976), Durango (Steven and others, 1974), Grand Junction (Cashion, 1973), Moab (Williams, 1976), and Cortez (Haynes and others, 1972) 1°x2° geologic quadrangle maps. Map unit names for each quadrangle correspond to a unique numeric value (G1). Inasmuch as the map units varied greatly for each individual map, the generalized map unit label (Total) can be a non-unique combination of map unit labels from the individual quadrangles. Data given in spreadsheet entitled mapunits.xls. Age qualifiers for Triassic use "@", Pennsylvanian use "&", and Cambrian use "_".

Leadville	Montrose	Durango	Grand Junct	Moab	Cortez	G1	Total
Qa	Qa	Qa	Qa	Qa	Qa	1	Qa
Qa	Qa	Qa	Qt	Qa	Qa	2	Qa
Qa	Qa	Qa	Qa	Qa	Qag	3	Qa
Qa	Qa	Qa	Qt	Qa	Qag	4	Qa
Qa	Qa	Qa	Qa	Qa	Qap	5	Qa
Qa	Qa	Qa	Qt	Qa	Qap	6	Qa
Qa	Qa	Qa	Qa	Qa	Qae	7	Qa
Qa	Qa	Qa	Qt	Qa	Qae	8	Qa
Qe			Qae	Qae	Qe	9	Qe
Ql	QI	Ql	Qc	Qcl	Qc	10	QI
Qt	QI	Ql	Qc	Qcl	Qc	11	QI
Ql	Q	Q	Qc	Qcl	Qcl	12	QI
Qt	QI	Q	Qc	Qcl	Qcl	13	QI
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APPENDIX C

Geologic Map Unit Classification

The geologic map unit classification scheme employed here follows that developed by Bruce R. Johnson (U.S. Geological Survey, written communication, 1999) for digital geologic map databases. The scheme is given here to help the reader understand the map unit attributes for the joined ARC/INFO coverage gmug_geol.e00. This classification scheme is currently in draft form and should be considered as an evolving framework.

1.1.5. Alluvial terrace

1. Unconsolidated deposit	A sediment that is loosely arranged or unstratified, or whose particles are not cemented together, found either at the surface or at depth.
1.1. Alluvium	A general term for clay, silt, sand, gravel or similar unconsolidated detrital material, deposited during comparatively recent geologic time by a stream or other body of running water, as a sorted or semi-sorted sediment.
1.1.1. Flood plain	Unconsolidated sediment deposited adjacent to a river channel, constructed by the present river in its existing regimen and covered with water when the river overflows its banks.
1.1.2. Levee	A long broad low ridge or embankment of sand and coarse silt, built by a stream on its flood plain and along both banks of its channel, esp. in time of flood when water overflowing the normal banks is forced to deposit the coarsest part of its load.
1.1.3. Delta	The low, nearly flat, alluvial tract of land at or near the mouth of a river, commonly forming a triangular or fanshaped plain of considerable area.
1.1.4. Alluvial fan	A low, outspread, relatively flat to gently sloping mass of loose rock material, shaped like an open fan or a segment of a cone, deposited by a stream (esp. in a semiarid region) at the place where it issues from a narrow mountain valley upon a plain or broad valley.

1.2. Lake or marine deposit (non-glacial) A sedimentary deposit laid down conformably on the floor of, or along the shore of, a lake, sea, or ocean, usually consisting of coarse material near the shore and sometimes passing into clay and limestone in deeper water.

flood plain or valley floor.

A stream terrace composed of unconsolidated alluvium (including gravel), produced by renewed downcutting of the

1.2.1. Playa A dry, vegetation-free, flat area at the lowest part of an undrained desert basin, underlain by stratified clay, silt, or sand, and commonly by soluble salts.

1.2.2. **Mud flat**

A relatively level area of fine silt along a shore (as in a sheltered estuary) or around an island, alternately covered and uncovered by the tide, or covered by shallow water.

1.2.3. Beach sand

A loose aggregate of unlithified mineral or rock particles of sand size forming a beach (the relatively thick and temporary accumulation of loose water-borne material that is in active transit along, or deposited on, the shore zone between the limits of low water and high water).

1.2.4. Terrace

A narrow shelf, partly cut and partly built, produced along a lake shore and later exposed when the water level falls, or a wave-cut platform that has been exposed by uplift along a seacoast or by the lowering of sea level, and from 3 m to more than 40 m above mean sea level; an elevated marine-cut bench.

1.3. **Eolian**

Sediments such as loess or sand deposited by the action of the wind.

1.3.1. Dune sand

A type of blown sand that has been piled up by the wind into a sand dune, usually consisting of rounded mineral grains, commonly quartz, having diameters ranging from 0.1 to 1 mm.

1.3.2. Sand sheet

A large irregularly shaped plain of eolian sand, lacking the discernible slip faces that are common on dunes.

1.3.3. Loess

A widespread, homogeneous, commonly nonstratified, porous, friable, slightly coherent, usually highly calcareous, fine-grained blanket deposit, consisting predominantly of silt with subordinate grain sizes ranging from clay to fine sand.

1.4. Volcanic Ash

A fine pyroclastic material (under 2.0 mm in diameter). The term usually refers to the unconsolidated material.

1.5. Mass wasting

Deposits formed by the dislodgement and downslope transport of soil and rock material under the direct application of gravitational body stresses.

1.5.1. Colluvium

A general term applied to any loose, heterogeneous, and incoherent mass of soil material and/or rock fragments deposited by rainwash, sheetwash, or slow, continuous downslope creep, usually collecting at the base of gentle slopes or hillsides.

1.5.2. Mudflow

Deposits formed by a process characterized by a flowing mass of predominantly fine-grained earth material possessing a high degree of fluidity during movement.

1.5.2.1. Lahar

A mudflow composed chiefly of volcaniclastic materials on the flank of a volcano.

1.5.3. **Debris flow**

A moving mass of rock fragments, soil, and mud, more than half of the particles being larger than sand size.

1.5.4. Landslide

A general term covering a wide variety of mass-movement landforms and processes involving the downslope transport,

under gravitational influence, of soil and rock material, en mass.

1.5.5. **Talus** An outward sloping and accumulated heap or mass of rock

fragments of any size or shape (usually coarse and angular) derived from and lying at the base of a cliff or very steep, rocky slope, and formed chiefly by gravitational falling,

rolling, or sliding.

1.6. **Glacial drift** A general term applied to all rock material (clay, silt, sand,

gravel, boulders) transported by a glacier and deposited directly by or from the ice, or by running water emanating

from a glacier.

1.6.1. **Till** Dominantly unsorted and unstratified drift, generally

unconsolidated, deposited directly by and underneath a glacier without subsequent reworking by meltwater.

1.6.1.1. **Moraine** A mound, ridge, or other distinct accumulation of unsorted,

unstratified glacial drift, predominantly till, deposited chiefly

by direct action of glacial ice.

1.6.2. **Strat. glacial sediment** Stratified glacial drift deposited by, or reworked by running

water, or deposited in standing water.

1.6.2.1. **Outwash** Stratified detritus (chiefly sand and gravel) removed or

"washed out" from a glacier by meltwater streams and deposited in front of or behind the end moraine or the margin

of an active glacier.

1.6.2.2. **Sub- and supra-glacial sediment** A variety of irregularly stratified sand and

gravel deposits, such as eskers, kames, etc., that were deposited by a subglacial or supra-glacial stream or pond and

were left behind when the ice melted.

1.6.2.3. **Glaciolacustrine** Deposits and landforms composed of suspended material

brought by meltwater streams flowing into lakes bordering the glacier, such as deltas, kame deltas, and varved

sediments.

1.6.2.4. Glacial-marine Deposits of glacially eroded, terrestrially derived sediment in

the marine environment.

1.7. **Biogenic sediment** An organic sediment produced directly by the physiologic

activities of organisms, either plant or animal.

1.7.1. **Peat** An unconsolidated deposit of semicarbonized plant remains

in a water saturated environment, such as a bog or fen, and

of persistently high moisture content (at least 75%).

1.7.2. **Coral** A hard calcareous substance consisting of the continuous

skeleton secreted by coral polyps for their support and habitation and found in single specimens growing plant-like on the sea bottom or in extensive, solidified accumulations

(coral reefs).

1.8. **Residuum** An accumulation or rock debris formed by weathering and

remaining essentially in place after all but the least soluble

constituents have been removed.

1.9. Clay, mud A loose, earthy, extremely fine-grained, natural sediment

composed primarily of clay-size or colloidal particles and characterized by high plasticity and by a considerable

content of clay minerals.

1.10. **Silt** A loose aggregate of unlithified mineral or rock particles of

silt size (1/256 to 1/16 mm); an unconsolidated deposit consisting essentially of fine-grained clastic particles.

1.11. **Sand** A loose aggregate of unlithified mineral or rock particles of

sand size (1/16 to 2 mm); an unconsolidated deposit consisting essentially of medium-grained clastic particles.

1.12. **Gravel** A loose accumulation of rock fragments composed

predominantly of more or less rounded pebbles and small

stones.

2. **Sedimentary rock** A rock resulting from the consolidation of loose sediment

that has accumulated in layers.

2.1. **Clastic** A composed principally of broken fragments that are derived

from preexisting rocks or minerals and that have been transported some distance from their place of origin.

2.1.1. **Mudstone** A general term that includes claystone, siltstone, shale, and

argillite, and that should be used only when the amounts of clay-sized and silt-sized particles are not known or specified,

or cannot be precisely identified.

2.1.1.1. **Claystone** An indurated rock having more than 67% clay-sized

minerals.

2.1.1.1.1. **Bentonite** A soft, plastic, porous, light-colored rock composed

essentially of clay minerals of the montmorillonite (smectite) group plus colloidal silica, and produced by devitrification and accompanying chemical alteration of a glassy igneous

material, usually a tuff or volcanic ash.

2.1.1.2. **Shale** A laminated, indurated rock having more than 67% clay-

sized minerals.

2.1.1.2.1. **Black Shale** A dark, thinly laminated carbonaceous shale, exceptionally

rich in organic matter (5% or more carbon content) and sulfide (esp. iron sulfide, usually pyrite), and often containing unusual concentrations of certain trace elements

(U, V, Cu, Ni).

2.1.1.2.2. **Oil Shale** A kerogen-bearing, finely laminated brown or black

sedimentary rock that will yield liquid or gaseous

hydrocarbon on distillation.

2.1.1.3. **Argillite** A compact rock derived either from mudstone or shale, that

has undergone a somewhat higher degree of induration than mudstone or shale but is less clearly laminated than shale and without its fissility, and that lacks the cleavage distinctive of slate.

2.1.1.4. **Siltstone**

An indurated silt having the texture and composition of shale but lacking its fine lamination or fissility; a massive mudstone in which silt-sized particles predominate over clay-sized particles.

- 2.1.2. **Fine-grained mixed clastic** A mixture of clastic sedimentary rocks varying from mudstone to sandstone, dominated by rocks containing clay-sized or silt-sized particles.
- 2.1.3. **Sandstone**A medium-grained clastic sedimentary rock composed of abundant sand-sized fragments, which may have a finergrained matrix (silt or clay), and which is more or less indurated by a cementing material.
 - 2.1.3.1. **Arenite**A "clean" sandstone that is well-sorted, contains little or no matrix material, and has a relatively simple mineralogic composition; specif. a pure or nearly pure, chemically cemented sandstone containing less than 10% argillaceous matrix.
 - 2.1.3.1.1. **Orthoquartzite** A clastic sedimentary rock that is made up almost exclusively of quartz sand (with or without chert), that is relatively free of or lacks a fine-grained matrix; a quartzite of sedimentary origin, or a "pure quartz sandstone".
 - 2.1.3.1.2. **Calcarenite** A clastic sedimentary rock that is made up predominantly of recycled carbonate particles of sand size; a consolidated calcareous sand.
 - 2.1.3.2. **Arkose** A feldspar-rich sandstone, commonly coarse-grained and pink or reddish, that is typically composed of angular to subangular grains that may be either poorly or moderately well sorted. Quartz is usually the dominant mineral, with feldspars constituting at least 25%.
 - 2.1.3.3. **Wacke** A "dirty" sandstone that consists of a mixed variety of unsorted or poorly sorted mineral and rock fragments and of an abundant matrix of clay and fine silt; specif. an impure sandstone containing more than 10% argillaceous matrix.
 - 2.1.3.3.1. **Graywacke** A dark gray, firmly indurated, coarse-grained sandstone that consists of poorly sorted angular to subangular grains of quartz and feldspar, with a variety of dark rock and mineral fragments embedded in a compact clayey matrix having the general composition of slate and containing an abundance of very fine-grained illite, sericite, and chloritic minerals.
- 2.1.4. **Medium-grained mixed clastic** A mixture of clastic sedimentary rocks varying from siltstone to conglomerate, dominated by rocks containing sand-sized particles.
- 2.1.5. **Conglomerate** A coarse-grained clastic sedimentary rock, composed of rounded to subangular fragments larger than 2 mm in diameter typically containing fine-grained particles in the

interstices, and commonly cemented by calcium carbonate, iron oxide, silica, or hardened clay.

2.1.6. **Sedimentary breccia** A breccia (coarse-grained clastic rock composed of angular

broken rock fragments held together by a mineral cement or a fine-grained matrix) formed by sedimentary processes.

2.1.7. Coarse-grained mixed clastic A mixture of clastic sedimentary rocks varying from

siltstone to conglomerate, dominated by rocks containing

coarse sand-sized or gravel-sized particles.

2.1.8. **Olistostrome** A sedimentary deposit consisting of a chaotic mass of

intimately mixed heterogeneous materials (such as blocks and muds) that accumulated as a semi-fluid body by submarine gravity sliding or slumping of unconsolidated

sediments.

2.2. **Carbonate** A sedimentary rock composed of more than 50% by weight

carbonate minerals.

2.2.1. **Limestone** A sedimentary rock consisting chiefly (more than 50% by

weight or by areal percentages under the microscope) of calcium carbonate, primarily in the form of the mineral

calcite.

2.2.2. **Dolostone (dolomite)** A carbonate sedimentary rock of which more than 50% by

weight or by areal percentages under the microscope consists

of the mineral dolomite.

2.3. **Mixed clastic/carbonate** An undivided mixture of clastic and carbonate sedimentary

rocks

2.4. **Mixed clastic/volcanic** An undivided mixture of clastic sedimentary rock and

volcanic rock.

2.5. **Phosphorite** A sedimentary rock with a high enough content of phosphate

minerals to be of economic interest.

2.6. **Chemical** A sedimentary rock composed primarily of material formed

directly by precipitation from solution or colloidal suspension or by the deposition of insoluble precipitates.

2.6.1. **Evaporite** A nonclastic sedimentary rock composed primarily of

minerals produced from a saline solution as a result of

extensive or total evaporation of the solvent.

2.6.2. **Chert** A hard, extremely dense or compact, dull to semivitreous,

microcrystalline or cryptocrystalline sedimentary rock, consisting dominantly of interlocking crystals of quartz less

than 30 µm in diameter.

2.6.3. **Iron formation** A chemical sedimentary rock, typically thin-bedded and/or

finely laminated, containing at least 15% iron of sedimentary origin, and commonly but not necessarily containing layers

of chert

2.6.4. **Exhalite** A chemical sedimentary rock, usually containing oxide,

carbonate, or sulfide as anions, and iron, magnesium, base

metals, and gold as cations, formed by the issuance of volcanically derived fluids onto the sea floor or into the sea.

2.7. **Coal**

A readily combustible rock containing more than 50% by weight and more than 70% by volume carbonaceous material, formed by compaction and induration of variously altered plant remains.

2.8. Mixed clastic/coal

An undivided mixture of clastic sedimentary rock and coal.

3. Volcanic rock (aphanitic)

A generally finely crystalline or glassy igneous rock resulting from volcanic action at or near the Earth's surface, either ejected explosively or extruded as a lava. The term includes near-surface intrusions that form a part of the volcanic structure.

3.1. Glassy

Extrusive rock having a texture which is similar to that of glass or quartz and developed as a result of rapid cooling of the lava without distinct crystallization.

3.1.1. **Obsidian**

A black or dark-colored volcanic glass, usually of rhyolite composition, characterized by conchoidal fracture.

3.1.2. **Vitrophyre**

Any porphyritic igneous rock having a glassy groundmass.

3.1.3. **Pumice**

A light-colored vesicular glassy rock commonly having the

composition of rhyolite.

3.2. Pyroclastic

Clastic rock material formed by volcanic explosion or aerial

expulsion from a volcanic vent.

3.2.1. **Tuff**

Consolidated or cemented volcanic ash.

3.2.1.1. **Welded Tuff**

A glass-rich pyroclastic rock that has been indurated by the welding together of its glass shards under the combined action of the heat retained by particles, the weight of the overlying material, and hot gasses.

3.2.1.2. **Ash-flow Tuff**

A tuff deposited by an ash flow or gaseous cloud; a type of ignimbrite. It is a consolidated, but not necessarily welded deposit.

3.2.2. **Ignimbrite**

The deposit of a pyroclastic flow.

3.2.3. Volcanic breccia (agglomerate) A pyroclastic rock that consists of angular volcanic

fragments that are larger than 64 mm in diameter and that

may or may not have a matrix.

3.3. Lava flow A solidified body of rock that is formed by the lateral,

surficial outpouring of molten lava from a vent or a fissure.

3.3.1. Bimodal suite A mixed sequence of sub-equal amounts of felsic and mafic

volcanic rocks, commonly rhyolite and basalt with little or

no intermediate composition rock.

3.4. Felsite A light-colored, fine-grained or aphanitic extrusive or

hypabyssal rock, with or without phenocrysts and composed

chiefly of quartz and feldspar.

3.4.1. Alkali rhyolite	A volcanic rock defined in the QAPF diagram as having $Q/(Q+A+P)$ between 20 and 60% and $P/(P+A) < 10\%$.
3.4.2. Rhyolite	A volcanic rock defined in the QAPF diagram as having $Q/(Q+A+P)$ between 20 and 60% and $P/(P+A)$ between 10 and 35%.
3.4.3. Rhyodacite	A volcanic rock defined in the QAPF diagram as having $Q/(Q+A+P)$ between 20 and 60% and $P/(P+A)$ between 35 and 65%.
3.4.4. Dacite	A volcanic rock defined in the QAPF diagram as having $Q/(Q+A+P)$ between 20 and 60% and $P/(P+A) > 65\%$.
3.4.5. Alkali trachyte	A volcanic rock defined in the QAPF diagram as having $Q/(Q+A+P) < 20\%$ or $F/(F+A+P) < 10\%$, and $P/(P+A) < 10\%$.
3.4.6. Trachyte	A volcanic rock defined in the QAPF diagram as having $Q/(Q+A+P) < 20\%$ or $F/(F+A+P) < 10\%$, and $P/(P+A)$ between 10 and 35%.
3.4.7. Quartz Latite	A volcanic rock defined in the QAPF diagram as having $Q/(Q+A+P)$ between 5 and 20% and $P/(P+A)$ between 35 and 65%.
3.4.8. Latite	A volcanic rock defined in the QAPF diagram as having $Q/(Q+A+P) < 5\%$ or $F/(F+A+P) < 10\%$, and $P/(P+A)$ between 35 and 65%.
3.5. Intermediate	A solidified body of volcanic rock having approximately equal light- and dark-colored minerals in its mode.
3.5.1. Trachyandesite	A volcanic rock defined modally by Q/(Q+A+P) $<\!20\%$ or F/(F+A+P) $<\!10\%$, P/(A+P) between 65 and 90% , and M $<\!35$.
3.5.2. Andesite	A volcanic rock defined modally by Q/(Q+A+P) $<$ 20% or F/(F+A+P) $<$ 10%, P/(A+P) $>$ 90%, and M $<$ 35.
3.6. Mafic	A solidified body of volcanic rock having abundant dark-colored minerals in its mode.
3.6.1. Trachybasalt	A volcanic rock defined modally by Q/(Q+A+P) $<$ 20% or F/(F+A+P) $<$ 10%, P/(A+P) between 65 and 90%, and M $>$ 35.
3.6.2. Basalt	A volcanic rock defined modally by Q/(Q+A+P) $<$ 20% or F/(F+A+P) $<$ 10%, P/(A+P) $>$ 90%, and M $>$ 35.
3.6.2.1. Tholeiite	A silica-oversaturated basalt, characterized by the presence of low-calcium pyroxenes in addition to clinopyroxene and calcic plagioclase. Olivine may be present in the mode, but neither olivine nor nepheline appear in the norm.
3.6.2.2. Hawaiite	A basalt in which the normative and modal feldspar is andesine, and with soda:potash ratio greater than 2:1. It generally, but not always, lacks normative quartz, and

3.6.2.3. **Alkaline basalt** A basalt with nepheline and/or acmite in the CIPW norm. 3.7. Alkalic A volcanic rock that contains more sodium and/or potassium than is required to form feldspar with the available silica. **3.7.1. Phonolite** A volcanic rock defined in the QAPF diagram as having F/(F+A+P) between 10 an 60%, and P/(P+A) < 10%. **Tephrite** (basanite) A volcanic rock defined in the QAPF diagram as having 3.7.2. F/(F+A+P) between 10 an 60%, and P/(P+A) > 90%. 3.8. Ultramafitite (komatiite) A volcanic rock with color index (M) greater than or equal to 3.9. Volcanic carbonatite A rock of apparent volcanic origin composed of at least 50% carbonate minerals. 4. Plutonic rock (phaneritic) A rock formed at considerable depth by crystallization of magma and/or by chemical alteration. It is characteristically medium- to coarse-grained, of granitoid texture. A light-colored igneous rock characterized by a fine-grained 4.1. **Aplite** allotriomorphic-granular (i.e. aplitic) texture. 4.2. Porphyry An igneous rock of any composition that contains conspicuous phenocrysts in a fine-grained groundmass. 4.2.1. Lamprophyre A group of porphyritic igneous rocks in which mafic minerals form the phenocrysts; feldspars, if present, are restricted to the groundmass. 4.3. **Pegmatite** An exceptionally coarse-grained igneous rock, with interlocking crystals, usually found as irregular dikes, lenses, or veins, esp. at the margins of batholiths. 4.4. Granitoid A general term for all phaneritic igneous rocks dominated by quartz and feldspars. 4.4.1. Alkali-granite (alaskite) A plutonic rock defined in the QAPF diagram as having Q between 20 and 60% and P/(A+P) < 10%. 4.4.2. **Granite** A plutonic rock defined in the QAPF diagram as having Q between 20 and 60% and P/(A+P) between 10 and 65%. 4.4.2.1. **Peraluminous** A granite with aluminum oxide > sodium oxide + potassium oxide + calcium oxide; typical accessories include: muscovite, biotite, corundum, topaz, garnet. 4.4.2.2. Metaluminous A granite with aluminum oxide > sodium oxide + potassium oxide, but with aluminum oxide < sodium oxide + potassium oxide + calcium oxide; typical accessories include: hornblende, epidote, melilite, or biotite + pyroxene. 4.4.2.3. **Subaluminous** A granite with aluminum oxide approximately equal to sodium oxide + potassium oxide; typical accessories include: olivine, orthopyroxene, clinopyroxene. 4.4.2.4. **Peralkaline** A granite with aluminum oxide < sodium oxide + potassium oxide; typical accessories include: soda pyroxene and soda

amphibole.

4.4.3.	Granodiorite	A plutonic rock defined in the QAPF diagram as having Q between 20 and 60% and $P/(A+P)$ between 65 and 90%.
4.4.4.	Tonalite	A plutonic rock defined in the QAPF diagram as having Q between 20 and 60% and $P/(A+P) > 90\%$.
4.4	.4.1. Trondhjemite	A tonalite with color index (M) less than 15; composed essentially of sodic plagioclase, quartz, sparse biotite, and little or no alkali feldspar.
4.4.5.	Alkali syenite	A plutonic rock defined in the QAPF diagram as having Q/(Q+A+P) $<$ 20% or F/(F+A+P) $<$ 10%, and P/(P+A) $<$ 10%.
4.4.6.	Quartz syenite	A plutonic rock defined in the QAPF diagram as having Q between 5 and 20% and $P/(A+P)$ between 10 and 35%.
4.4.7.	Syenite	A plutonic rock defined in the QAPF diagram as having Q < 5% or $F/(F+A+P) < 10\%$, and $P/(A+P)$ between 10 and 35%.
4.4.8.	Quartz monzonite	A plutonic rock defined in the QAPF diagram as having Q between 5 and 20% and $P/(A+P)$ between 35 and 65%.
4.4.9.	Monzonite	A plutonic rock defined in the QAPF diagram as having Q $<$ 5% or F/(F+A+P) $<$ 10%, and P/(A+P) between 35 and 65%.
4.4.10.	Quartz monzodiorite	A plutonic rock defined in the QAPF diagram as having Q between 5 and 20% and P/(A+P) between 65 and 90%, and plagioclase more sodic than An_{50} .
4.4.11.	Quartz monzogabbro	A plutonic rock defined in the QAPF diagram as having Q between 5 and 20% and $P/(A+P)$ between 65 and 90%, and plagioclase more calcic than An_{50} .
4.4.12.	Monzodiorite	A plutonic rock defined in the QAPF diagram as having Q < 5% or $F/(F+A+P) < 10\%$, and $P/(A+P)$ between 65 and 90%, and plagioclase more sodic than An_{50} .
4.4.13.	Monzogabbro	A plutonic rock defined in the QAPF diagram as having Q < 5% or $F/(F+A+P) < 10\%$, and $P/(A+P)$ between 65 and 90%, and plagioclase more calcic than An_{50} .
4.4.14.	Quartz diorite	A plutonic rock defined in the QAPF diagram as having Q between 5 and 20%, $P/(A+P) > 90\%$, and plagioclase more sodic than An_{50} .
4.4.15.	Quartz gabbro	A plutonic rock defined in the QAPF diagram as having Q between 5 and 20%, $P/(A+P) > 90\%$, and plagioclase more calcic than An_{50} .
4.4.16.	Diorite	A plutonic rock defined in the QAPF diagram as having Q between 0 and 5% or $F/(F+A+P) < 10\%$, $P/(A+P)$ greater than 90% and plagioclase more sodic than An_{50} .
4.4	.16.1. Diabase	A plutonic rock whose main components are labradorite and pyroxene and which is characterized by ophitic texture.

4.4.17. **Gabbro**

A plutonic rock defined in the QAPF diagram as having Q between 0 and 5% or F/(F+A+P) < 10%, P/(A+P) greater than 90% and plagioclase more calcic than An_{50} .

4.4.17.1. Norite

A plutonic rock satisfying the definition of gabbro, in which pl/(pl+px+ol) is between 10 and 90% and opx/(opx+cpx) is greater than 95%.

4.4.17.2. **Troctolite**

A plutonic rock satisfying the definition of gabbro, in which pl/(pl+px+ol) is between 10 and 90% and px/(pl+px+ol) is less than 5%.

4.4.18. Anorthosite

A plutonic rock defined in the QAPF diagram as having Q between 0 and 5, P/(A+P) greater than 90, and M less than 10. A group of monomineralogic plutonic igneous rocks composed almost entirely of plagioclase feldspar.

4.5. Alkalic intrusive rock

A plutonic rock that contains more sodium and/or potassium than is required to form feldspar with the available silica.

4.5.1. Nepheline syenite

A plutonic rock defined in the QAPF diagram as having F/(F+A+P) between 10 an 60%, and P/(P+A) < 50%; composed essentially of alkali feldspar and nepheline.

4.6. Ultramafic intrusive rock

A general name for plutonic rock with color index (M) greater than or equal to 90...

4.6.1. **Peridotite**

A plutonic rock with M equal to or greater than 90 and ol/(ol+opx+cpx) greater than 40%.

4.6.1.1. **Dunite**

A plutonic rock with M equal to or greater than 90 and ol/(ol+opx+cpx) greater than 90%.

4.6.1.2. **Kimberlite**

A porphyritic alkalic peridotite containing abundant phenocrysts of olivine and phlogopite, and possibly geikielite and chromian pyrope, in a fine-grained groundmass of calcite and second-generation olivine and phlogopite.

4.6.2. Pyroxenite

A plutonic rock with M equal to or greater than 90 and ol/(ol+opx+cpx) less than 40%.

4.6.3. **Hornblendite**

A plutonic rock with M equal to or greater than 90 and hbl/(hbl+px+ol) greater than 90%.

4.7. Intrusive Carbonatite

A plutonic rock composed of at least 50% carbonate minerals.

5. Metamorphic rock

A rock derived from pre-existing rocks by mineralogical, chemical, and/or structural changes, essentially in the solid state, in response to marked changes in temperature, pressure, shearing stress, and chemical environment, generally at depth in the earth's crust.

5.1. Hornfels

A fine-grained rock composed of a mosaic of equidimensional grains without preferred orientation and typically formed by contact metamorphism.

5.2. Metasedimentary A sedimentary rock that shows evidence of having been subjected to metamorphism. Meta-argillite 5.2.1. An argillite that has been metamorphosed. 5.2.2. A compact, fine-grained metamorphic rock that possesses Slate slaty cleavage and hence can be split into slabs and thin plates. 5.2.3. Quartzite A granoblastic metamorphic rock consisting mainly of quartz and formed by recrystallization of sandstone or chert by either regional or thermal metamorphism. 5.2.4. **Marble** A metamorphic rock consisting predominantly of fine- to coarse-grained recrystallized calcite and/or dolomite, usually with a granoblastic, saccharoidal texture. 5.3. **Metavolcanic** A volcanic rock that shows evidence of having been subjected to metamorphism. 5.3.1. **Felsic** A metavolcanic rock having abundant light-colored minerals, typically quartz and feldspar. Meta-rhyolite A low-grade, felsic metavolcanic rock with preserved 5.3.1.1. evidence of its original rhyolitic character. 5.3.1.2. **Keratophyre** Extrusive and hypabyssal rocks characterized by the presence of albite or albite-oligoclase and chlorite, epidote, and calcite, generally of secondary order. 5.3.2. **Mafic** A metavolcanic rock having abundant dark-colored minerals, typically feldspar, amphibole, and/or pyroxene. Meta-basalt 5.3.2.1. A low-grade, mafic metavolcanic rock with preserved evidence of its original basaltic character. 5.3.2.2. **Spilite** An altered basalt, characteristically amygdaloidal or vesicular, in which the feldspar has been albitized and is typically accompanied by chlorite, calcite, epidote, chalcedony, prehnite, or other low-temperature hydrous crystallization products characteristic of a greenstone. **5.3.2.3. Greenstone** A field term applied to any compact, dark-green, altered or metamorphosed basic igneous rock (e.g. spilite, basalt, gabbro, diabase) that owes its color to the presence of chlorite, actinolite, or epidote. 5.4. **Phyllite** A metamorphosed rock, intermediate in grade between slate and mica schist. Minute crystals of graphite, sericite, or chlorite impart a silky sheen to the surfaces of cleavage (or

A strongly foliated crystalline rock, formed by dynamic metamorphism, that can be readily split into thin flakes or slabs due to the well developed parallelism of more than 50% of the minerals present, particularly those of the lamellar or elongate prismatic habit, e.g. mica and

hornblende.

schistosity).

5.5. Schist

5.5.1.	Greenschist	A schistose metamorphic rock whose green color is due to the presence of chlorite, epidote, or actinolite; a common product of low-grade regional metamorphism of pelitic or basic igneous rocks.
5.5.2.	Blueschist	A schistose metamorphic rock with a blue color owing to the presence of sodic amphibole, glaucophane, or crossite, and commonly mottled bluish-gray lawsonite; characteristic of metamorphism in areas of unusually low thermal gradient, such as subduction zones.
5.5.3.	Mica schist	A schist whose essential constituents are mica and quartz, and whose schistosity is mainly due to the parallel arrangement of mica flakes.
5.5.4.	Pelitic schist	A schistose metamorphic rock derived by metamorphism of an argillaceous or a fine-grained alluminous sediment.
5.5.5.	Quartz-feldspar schis	t A schist whose essential constituents are quartz and feldspar and having lesser amounts of mica and/or hornblende.
5.5.6.	Calc-silicate schist	A metamorphosed calcareous rock, commonly derived from argillaceous limestone or calcareous mudstone, containing calcium-bearing silicates such as diopside and wollastonite, with a schistose structure produced by parallelism of platy minerals.
5.5.7.	Amphibole schist	A schist whose essential constituent is amphibole with lesser amounts of feldspar, quartz, and/or mica.
5.6. Gran	ofels	A medium- to coarse-grained granoblastic metamorphic rock with little or no foliation or lineation.
5.7. Gneis	S	A foliated rock formed by regional metamorphism, in which bands or lenticles of granular minerals alternate with bands or lenticles in which minerals having flaky or elongate prismatic habits predominate. Generally less than 50% of the minerals show preferred orientation.
5.7.1.	Felsic gneiss	A gneissic rock dominated by light-colored minerals, commonly quartz and feldspar.
5.7.1	1.1. Granitic gneiss	A gneissic rock with a general granitoid composition.
;	5.7.1.1.1. Biotite gne	eiss A granitic gneiss in which the dominant mafic mineral is biotite.
5.7.2.	Mafic gneiss	A gneissic rock dominated by dark-colored minerals, commonly biotite and hornblende.
5.7.3.	Orthogneiss	A gneissic rock formed from an igneous parent.
5.7.4.	Paragneiss	A gneissic rock formed from a sedimentary parent.
5.7.5.	Migmatite	A composite "mixed rock" composed of igneous or igneous-appearing and metamorphic portions.
5.8. Amph	nibolite	A crystalloblastic rock consisting mainly of amphibole and plagioclase with little or no quartz.

5.9. **Granulite** A metamorphic rock consisting of even-sized, interlocking

mineral grains less than 10% of which have any obvious

preferred orientation.

5.10. **Eclogite** A granular rock composed essentially of garnet (almandine-

pyrope) and sodic pyroxene (omphacite).

5.11. **Greisen** A pneumatolytically altered granitic rock composed largely

of quartz, mica, and topaz.

5.12. **Skarn** (tactite) A rock of complex mineralogic composition formed by

contact metamorphism and metasomatism of carbonate rocks. It is typically coarse-grained and rich in garnet, iron-

rich pyroxene, epidote, wollastonite, and scapolite.

5.13. **Serpentinite** A rock consisting almost wholly of serpentine-group

minerals derived from the hydration of ferromagnesian

silicate minerals such as olivine and pyroxene.

6. **Tectonite** A rock whose fabric reflects the history of its deformation.

6.1.1. **Tectonic mélange** A mélange produced by tectonic processes.

6.1.2. **Cataclasite** A fine-grained, cohesive cataclastic rock, normally lacking a

penetrative foliation or microfabric, formed during fault

movement.

6.1.3. **Phyllonite** A rock that macroscopically resembles phyllite but that is

formed by mechanical degradation (mylonitization) of

initially coarser rocks.

6.1.4. **Mylonite** A compact, chert-like rock without cleavage, but with a

streaky or banded structure, produced by the extreme granulation and shearing of rocks that have been pulverized

and rolled during overthrusting or intense dynamic

metamorphism.

6.1.5. **Flaser gneiss** A dynamically metamorphosed rock in which lenses or

layers of original or relatively unaltered granular materials are surrounded by a matrix of highly sheared and

crushed material, giving the appearance of a crude flow

structure.

6.1.6. **Augen gneiss** Gneissic rock containing augen (large lenticular mineral

grains or mineral aggregates having the shape of an eye

in cross section).