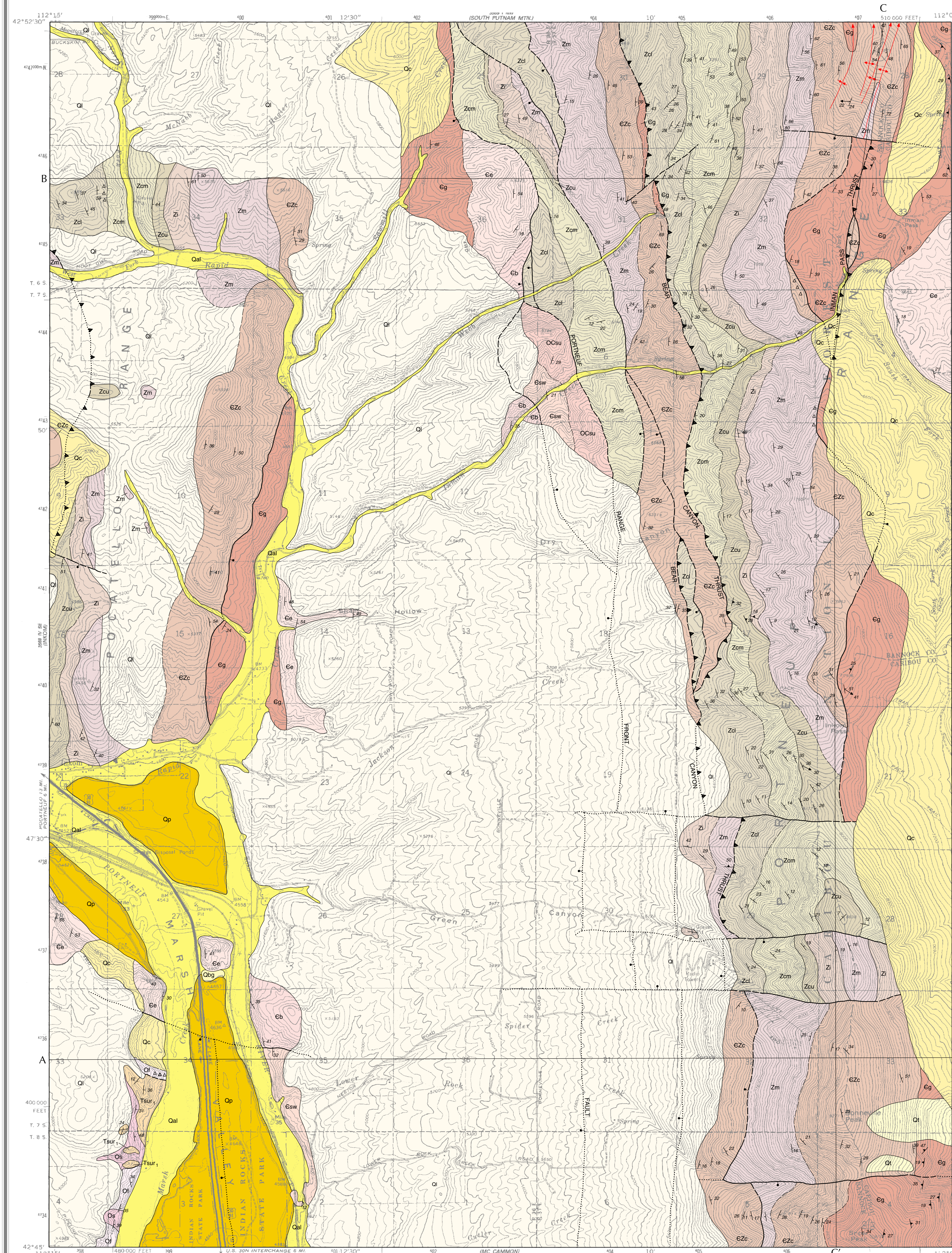
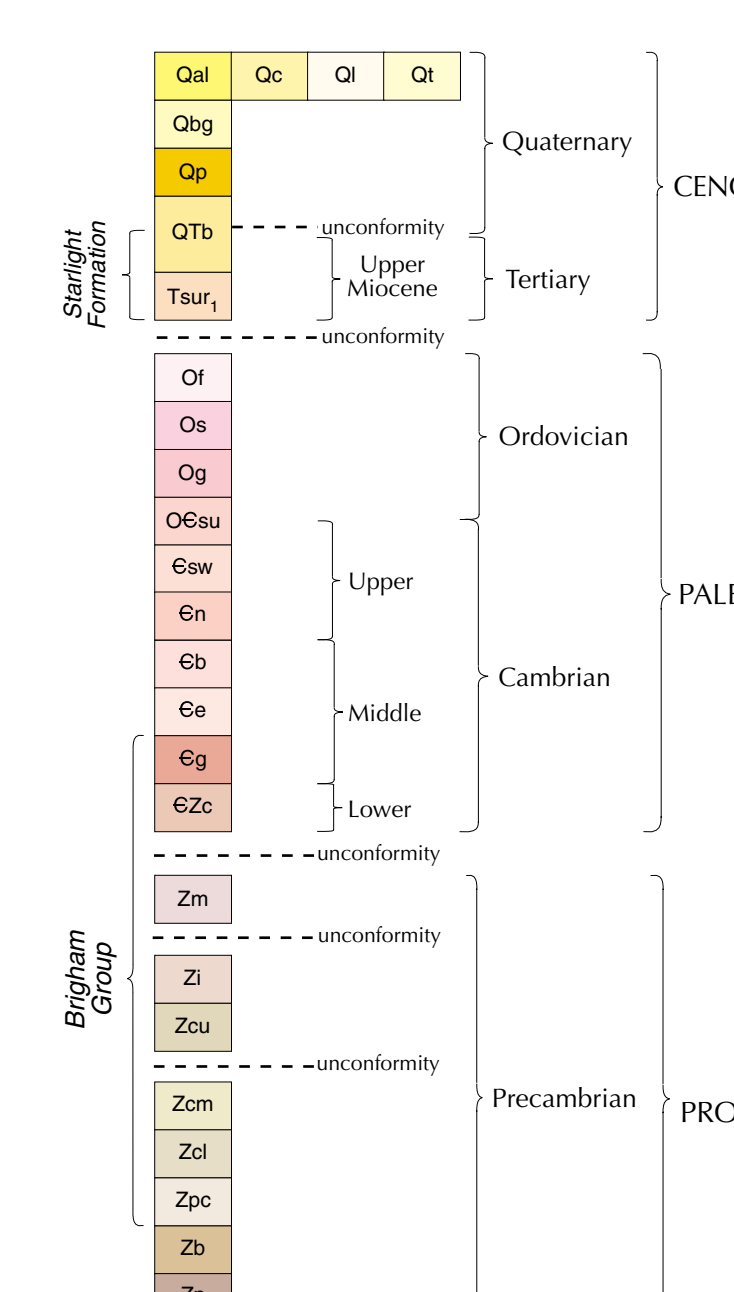


GEOLOGIC MAP OF THE BONNEVILLE PEAK QUADRANGLE, BANNOCK AND CARIBOU COUNTIES, IDAHO

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CORRELATION OF MAP UNITS



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- Qbz (Holocene and Pleistocene)**—Unconsolidated well-sorted, cobble and boulders deposited during the Bonneville Flood. Occurs locally downstream from basalt flows. Thickness is less than 10 m (30 feet).
- Qb (Holocene and Pleistocene)**—Dark gray, massive, commonly vesicular tuffaceous basalt. Occurs as a long, narrow deposit with a flat flow-top and steep, cliff-like eroded sides, deposited in the paleo-Portneuf River course. Scar material, preserved locally on the surface, were formed during the Bonneville Flood. The Portneuf basalt yielded a whole-rock K-Ar date of 0.583 ± 0.104 Ma (Scott and others, 1982). Rodgers and others, 1992; Rodgers and Morgan, 1992; McQuarrie and Rodgers, 1998).
- Qm (Holocene and Pleistocene)**—Conglomeratic and tuffaceous materials. Includes member of Salt Lake Thrust Formation (Link and Sanford, 1999; Rodgers and Othberg, 1999). Cross section only.
- Qst (Holocene and Pleistocene)**—Crystalline tuff with interbedded sandstone. Tuff is light to light gray, generally thick bedded and thinly laminated, and locally massive. Crystals include very fine-grained plagioclase and hornblende. Local tuffaceous sand intervals are fine-grained and contain unbedded hornblende crystals as long as 2 mm. The tuff lies conformably over the Swan Peak Quartzite and Fish Haven Dolomite in sec. 14, T. 7 S., R. 36 E., and sec. 1, T. 8 S., R. 36 E. The upper contact is not exposed in the map area.
- Qf (Holocene and Pleistocene)**—Medium gray to light gray, medium to thick bedded, laminated dolomite with quartz calcite and dolomite-filled molds of boulders and fenestae. The unit is only exposed in the southwest part of the map area. The upper contact is not exposed. The lower contact is placed at the first appearance of dolomite above the Swan Peak Quartzite. Thickness of the unit to the west of the Bonneville Peak quadrangle is approximately 500 m (1,640 feet; Trimble and Carr, 1976).
- Qs (Holocene and Pleistocene)**—White quartzite and minor yellow-orange conglomerate. Quartzite is white, orange-weathering, thickly bedded, planar-stratified, rough cross-stratified, well-sorted, fine to coarse-grained quartz. Graded beds on a scale of <1 cm are common, and burrows are present locally. Conglomerate is an irregularly bedded, clay-supported, containing cobble-size angular clasts of gray limestone and white quartzite as long as 0.3 m, as well as smaller, subrounded quartz and quartzite clasts. In the map area, the unit is only exposed in sec. 14, T. 7 S., R. 36 E., and sec. 1, T. 8 S., R. 36 E. The upper contact is placed below the first appearance of the Fish Haven Dolomite. The lower contact is not exposed in the map area. In the Pocatello and Michael quadrangles to the west, the Swan Peak Quartzite is approximately 1,200 feet thick (Trimble and Carr, 1976).
- Qg (Holocene and Pleistocene)**—Thin bedded, light gray, fossiliferous limestone. The Garden City Formation is not exposed in the map area, but is inferred to be present below a lens cap in the southwestern part of the map. The formation is described in nearby areas by Trimble and Carr (1976) where it is approximately 365 m (1,170 feet). Cross section only.
- St. Charles Formation**
 - Qsbu (Holocene and Pleistocene)**—Medium gray, planar cross-bedded, fossiliferous (trilobites, brachiopods, ostracods), burrowed (Planolites), gossiteous and packstone with abundant tan dolomite silt to fine-sand intervals containing limestone interbeds. Ostracodes and disarticulated ripples are locally present. Limestone is purplish red in places, thinly laminated (commonly wavy laminar), very fine-grained, and silty. The upper contact is not exposed in the map area. The lower contact is placed at the first appearance of limestone above the underlying arenite. Trimble and Carr (1976) determined an approximate thickness of 60 m (190 feet) in nearby areas to the west, but the unit is at least 200 m (640 feet) thick in the Bonneville Peak quadrangle.
 - Qsw (Holocene and Pleistocene)**—Medium brown to dark brown and orange to gray, rough cross-bedded, medium to thick bedded, fine to medium-grained, carbonate cemented dolomite, arenite. The unit is poorly exposed near of Inman Creek in the E1/2 sec. 1, T. 7 S., R. 36 E., and is inferred to be present below a lens cap in the southwestern part of the map area. The lower contact is not exposed in the map area. The thickness in nearby areas is between approximately 150 m and 400 m (480 feet and 1,280 feet; Trimble and Carr, 1976; Kellogg, 1990).
 - Qn (Holocene and Pleistocene)**—Light colored, poorly bedded recrystallized dolomite. Not exposed in the map area but is inferred to be present below a lens cap in the southwestern part of the map. The formation is described in nearby areas by Trimble (1976) where it is between 170 m and 230 m (540 feet and 740 feet) thick. Cross section only.
 - Qb (Holocene and Pleistocene)**—Limestone, thickly bedded green shale, and carbonate mudstone. Exposed limestone include (1) dark gray, light gray weathering, coarse-grained packstone with abundant argillite rip-ups, possible burrows, and interbeds of light gray, tan to brown weathering siltstone; (2) medium gray, tan weathering, moderately to thickly bedded, commonly thinly laminated fine mudstone with abundant silt weathering and wavy laminar. The lower part of the section is characterized by green, thinly laminated shale with abundant calcite, greenish gray limestone nodules. Neither the upper nor the lower contact is exposed in the map area. In nearby areas formation is approximately 550 m thick (1,640 feet; Trimble, 1976).
 - Qe (Holocene and Pleistocene)**—Dark to medium gray, light gray weathering, silt, medium bedded to massive limestone with common wavy laminar, silt partings, and ooids. Locally contains encrusted and shell fragments (brachiopods). Ooids range in diameter from about 2 mm to 1 cm and are commonly concentrated in distinct layers. Brachiopod ooids may be found. Micritic matrix is locally recrystallized to form a dark gray sparite. Contacts are not exposed in the map area. Trimble (1976) determined a thickness of approximately 650 m (2,100 feet) in nearby areas to the west.
 - Qg (Holocene and Pleistocene)**—Thinly laminated, green-brown shale and argillite, medium bedded to massive, green strongly cleaved, and rare light gray limestone. Shale is thinly laminated, green to brown, rough-weathering, and micaceous. Commonly greenish sandstone, forms small outcrops and talus. Sandstone is light gray, fine-grained, and locally bedded to massive, moderately friable, micaceous, bedded arenite, interbedded with green gray shale. Rare limestone. Blue gray weathering, medium to dark gray, fresh, thickly bedded to massive, light fossiliferous, silt, oolitic, wackestone and packstone with abundant silt partings. Forms abundant talus. Previous workers (e.g., Oriel and Armstrong, 1971; Trimble, 1976; Helgeson, 1986) have divided the formation into three informal members. The lower member is a siltstone, the middle member is a sandstone corresponding to informal member A or C. Thick intervals of sandstone corresponding to informal member B were not observed and, as a result of this and generally poor exposure, the argillite rip-ups are not made. The upper contact is not exposed. The lower contact is placed at the base of the first green shale interval above the Camelback Mountain Quartzite. The Gibson Jack Formation is thickened by thrust faulting in the northern part of the map area. The formation is at least 175 m thick, and in surrounding areas, as much as 750 m thick (1,200 feet and 2,400 feet; Kellogg, 1990).
- Camelback Mountain Quartzite (Cambrian and Upper Proterozoic)**—Thickly bedded to massive, rough- and planar-crossbedded, white to pink, locally orange-tinged, moderately well-sorted to poorly sorted, medium-grained to very coarse-grained quartz arenite crystalline and fossiliferous. The Camelback Mountain Quartzite tends to become finer grained and better sorted upward. Coarse-grained quartz arenite in the middle to lower part of the unit contain abundant trough crossbeds, pebble lags, and graded beds. The basal part is characterized by moderately sorted, clast- and matrix-supported, quartz pebble conglomerate with interbeds of purple arkosic arenite similar to the underlying Mutual Formation. Pebbles are rounded, mostly 1.2 cm long but as long as 4 cm, white quartz, white quartzite, and chert. Purple quartzite interbedded with white conglomerate near the base of the unit makes lower contact difficult to identify in the field. South of the map area in Upper Rock Creek (McCammon 124,000 quadrangle), the conglomerate from the base of the Camelback Mountain Quartzite is incised into the underlying Mutual Formation (Link and others, 1987). Based on this, the lower contact of the E1/2 sec of the map area is placed at the base of the lower occurrence of white cobble conglomerate above Zn. In the southern part of the map area the unit is 425 m (1,360 feet) thick, thinning to 250 m (790 feet) in the north.
- Mutual Formation (Upper Proterozoic)**—Purple quartzite and conglomerate, maroon argillite, and rare white to pink quartzite. Dark to light purple, moderately well-sorted, moderately to thickly bedded, abundantly trough cross-stratified, coarse-grained to granule, arkosic, lithic, arenite. Feldspars as long as 0.75 cm are locally abundant in the southwestern part of the map area, but may be absent, and appear to become more prevalent upward. Thinly laminated, maroon, micaceous argillite forms a pervasive interval as thick as about 40 m (130 feet) near the base of the formation. Channels of pebble conglomerate, containing clasts of quartzite and argillite in a purple, lithologic, arenite matrix, occur locally. Rare white to pink, fine-grained to medium-grained quartz arenite crop out in association with the maroon argillite. The secured basal contact of the Mutual Formation is defined at the top of the uppermost green argillite of the Inkom Formation. Thickness of the Mutual Formation varies. In the northern and southern parts of the map area, the formation is 650 m (2,120 feet) thick but to approximately 250 m (790 feet) in the central part.
- Inkom Formation (Upper Proterozoic)**—Green siltstone interbedded with fine- to medium-grained, green-gray, fine sandstone and local channelized conglomerate. Thinly laminated, micaceous, green argillite, silt, and phyllite, forming abundant talus, are diagnostic of the formation. Sandstone is well-sorted, angular, green-gray, micaceous, fine- to medium-grained, arkosic, arenite. The base of the formation is defined by the disappearance of the uppermost channels of green, poorly sorted, quartz and feldspar bearing, granule to pebble conglomerate of the upper member of the Caddy Canyon Quartzite. Thickness of the Inkom Formation is highly varied, and the formation is locally absent. In the northern part of the map area, the formation is as thick as 325 m (1,040 feet). The formation thins to the south and is absent in the central part of the map area. In the southern part of the map, the unit appears and is as thick as 225 m (765 feet).
- Caddy Canyon Quartzite**
 - Upper member (Upper Proterozoic)**—Green siltstone incised by channels of green granule to pebble conglomerate. The formation is moderately well-sorted, matrix supported, granule to pebble size. Clasts are subangular quartz and weathered feldspars as long as 1 cm; average is about 0.75 cm long. Matrix is predominantly green, moderately to poorly sorted, medium- to coarse-grained, arkosic, arenite locally it is green chloritic phyllite. The unconformable base of the member is placed between the base of the lower limestone and at the top of the uppermost purple quartzite with abundant gray argillite rip-ups above a scoured contact. Thickness of the unit ranges from 75 m to 175 m (240 feet to 560 feet).
 - Middle member (Upper Proterozoic)**—Purple quartzite, gray argillite, and conglomerate. Quartzite is light purple, poorly sorted, thickly bedded to massive, coarse-grained, lithologic and lithic arenite. Trough crossbeds, pebble lags, and isolated pebbles are common. Argillite intervals are moderately bedded, generally less than 1 m thick, thinly laminated, gray to purple, and micaceous. Conglomerate is poorly sorted and clast matrix supported. Clasts consist of quartz, quartzite, argillite, and chert.

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 - Qb (Holocene and Pleistocene)**—Limestone, thickly bedded green shale, and carbonate mudstone. Exposed limestone include (1) dark gray, light gray weathering, coarse-grained packstone with abundant argillite rip-ups, possible burrows, and interbeds of light gray, tan to brown weathering siltstone; (2) medium gray, tan weathering, moderately to thickly bedded, commonly thinly laminated fine mudstone with abundant silt weathering and wavy laminar. The lower part of the section is characterized by green, thinly laminated shale with abundant calcite, greenish gray limestone nodules. Neither the upper nor the lower contact is exposed in the map area. In nearby areas formation is approximately 550 m thick (1,640 feet; Trimble, 1976).
 - Qe (Holocene and Pleistocene)**—Dark to medium gray, light gray weathering, silt, medium bedded to massive limestone with common wavy laminar, silt partings, and ooids. Locally contains encrusted and shell fragments (brachiopods). Ooids range in diameter from about 2 mm to 1 cm and are commonly concentrated in distinct layers. Brachiopod ooids may be found. Micritic matrix is locally recrystallized to form a dark gray sparite. Contacts are not exposed in the map area. Trimble (1976) determined a thickness of approximately 650 m (2,100 feet) in nearby areas to the west.
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- Ordovician**
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 - Qb (Holocene and Pleistocene)**—Limestone, thickly bedded green shale, and carbonate mudstone. Exposed limestone include (1) dark gray, light gray weathering, coarse-grained packstone with abundant argillite rip-ups, possible burrows, and interbeds of light gray, tan to brown weathering siltstone; (2) medium gray, tan weathering, moderately to thickly bedded, commonly thinly laminated fine mudstone with abundant silt weathering and wavy laminar. The lower part of the section is characterized by green, thinly laminated shale with abundant calcite, greenish gray limestone nodules. Neither the upper nor the lower contact is exposed in the map area. In nearby areas formation is approximately 550 m thick (1,640 feet; Trimble, 1976).
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- Precambrian**
 - Qsbu (Holocene and Pleistocene)**—Medium gray, planar cross-bedded, fossiliferous (trilobites, brachiopods, ostracods), burrowed (Planolites), gossiteous and packstone with abundant tan dolomite silt to fine-sand intervals containing limestone interbeds. Ostracodes and disarticulated ripples are locally present. Limestone is purplish red in places, thinly laminated (commonly wavy laminar), very fine-grained, and silty. The upper contact is not exposed in the map area. The lower contact is placed at the first appearance of limestone above the underlying arenite. Trimble and Carr (1976) determined an approximate thickness of 60 m (190 feet) in nearby areas to the west, but the unit is at least 200 m (640 feet) thick in the Bonneville Peak quadrangle.
 - Qsw (Holocene and Pleistocene)**—Medium brown to dark brown and orange to gray, rough cross-bedded, medium to thick bedded, fine to medium-grained, carbonate cemented dolomite, arenite. The unit is poorly exposed near of Inman Creek in the E1/2 sec. 1, T. 7 S., R. 36 E., and is inferred to be present below a lens cap in the southwestern part of the map area. The lower contact is not exposed in the map area. The thickness in nearby areas is between approximately 150 m and 400 m (480 feet and 1,280 feet; Trimble and Carr, 1976; Kellogg, 1990).
 - Qn (Holocene and Pleistocene)**—Light colored, poorly bedded recrystallized dolomite. Not exposed in the map area but is inferred to be present below a lens cap in the southwestern part of the map. The formation is described in nearby areas by Trimble (1976) where it is between 170 m and 230 m (540 feet and 740 feet) thick. Cross section only.
 - Qb (Holocene and Pleistocene)**—Limestone, thickly bedded green shale, and carbonate mudstone. Exposed limestone include (1) dark gray, light gray weathering, coarse-grained packstone with abundant argillite rip-ups, possible burrows, and interbeds of light gray, tan to brown weathering siltstone; (2) medium gray, tan weathering, moderately to thickly bedded, commonly thinly laminated fine mudstone with abundant silt weathering and wavy laminar. The lower part of the section is characterized by green, thinly laminated shale with abundant calcite, greenish gray limestone nodules. Neither the upper nor the lower contact is exposed in the map area. In nearby areas formation is approximately 550 m thick (1,640 feet; Trimble, 1976).
 - Qe (Holocene and Pleistocene)**—Dark to medium gray, light gray weathering, silt, medium bedded to massive limestone with common wavy laminar, silt partings, and ooids. Locally contains encrusted and shell fragments (brachiopods). Ooids range in diameter from about 2 mm to 1 cm and are commonly concentrated in distinct layers. Brachiopod ooids may be found. Micritic matrix is locally recrystallized to form a dark gray sparite. Contacts are not exposed in the map area. Trimble (1976) determined a thickness of approximately 650 m (2,100 feet) in nearby areas to the west.
 - Qg (Holocene and Pleistocene)**—Thinly laminated, green-brown shale and argillite, medium bedded to massive, green strongly cleaved, and rare light gray limestone. Shale is thinly laminated, green to brown, rough-weathering, and micaceous. Commonly greenish sandstone, forms small outcrops and talus. Sandstone is light gray, fine-grained, and locally bedded to massive, moderately friable, micaceous, bedded arenite, interbedded with green gray shale. Rare limestone. Blue gray weathering, medium to dark gray, fresh, thickly bedded to massive, light fossiliferous, silt, oolitic, wackestone and packstone with abundant silt partings. Forms abundant talus. Previous workers (e.g., Oriel and Armstrong, 1971; Trimble, 1976; Helgeson, 1986) have divided the formation into three informal members. The lower member is a siltstone, the middle member is a sandstone corresponding to informal member A or C. Thick intervals of sandstone corresponding to informal member B were not observed and, as a result of this and generally poor exposure, the argillite rip-ups are not made. The upper contact is not exposed. The lower contact is placed at the base of the first green shale interval above the Camelback Mountain Quartzite. The Gibson Jack Formation is thickened by thrust faulting in the northern part of the map area. The formation is at least 175 m thick, and in surrounding areas, as much as 750 m thick (1,200 feet and 2,400 feet; Kellogg, 1990).

SYMBOLS

- Contact Dashed where approximately located; dotted where concealed
- Fault Dashed where approximately located; dotted where concealed; ball and bar on downthrown side
- Thrust fault Dashed where approximately located; dotted where concealed; teeth on upper plate
- Anticline Trace of axial plane showing direction of plunge axis
- Syncline Trace of axial plane showing direction of plunge axis
- Strike and dip of bedding
- Strike and dip of foliation
- Strike and dip of bedding with trend and plunge of fault lineations
- Breccia

GEOLOGIC HISTORY

The Bonneville Peak quadrangle contains neo-Proterozoic (1,000–543 Ma) to Middle Cambrian siliciclastic and minor carbonate rocks of the Brigham Group, overlain by Cambrian and Ordovician carbonate and quartzite strata (Oriel, 1968; Oriel and Armstrong, 1971; Trimble, 1976; Trimble and Carr, 1976; Helgeson, 1986). The Bonneville Peak area has undergone three phases of deformation: Cretaceous shortening of the Idaho-Wyoming thrust belt, Middle Miocene to Pliocene east-west extension, and overlapping north-south extension related to the formation of the Basin and Range and Snake River Plain provinces (Corbett, 1978; Oriel and Platt, 1980; Burgel and others, 1987; Kellogg, 1990, 1992; Rodgers and others, 1992; Pierce and Morgan, 1992; McQuarrie and Rodgers, 1998).

Brigham Group

The late neo-Proterozoic to Middle Cambrian Brigham Group contains dominantly quartzitic strata above the Blackfoot Canyon Limestone and below mapable Cambrian carbonates defined by Link and others, 1985, p. 101, following Crittenden and others, 1971. The strata were deposited in shallow marine and fluvial environments that belong to four stratigraphic sequences bounded by regional unconformities (Trimble, 1976; Christelick and others, 1988; Link and others, 1987; Levy and others, 1994). These are likely 2nd-order sequences representing tens of millions of years of deposition.

The lowest strata exposed in the Bonneville Peak quadrangle are shallow-marine and braided-stream quartzite and siltite beds of the main body (lower and middle members) of the Caddy Canyon Quartzite. Sequence boundary 1, below the upper member of the Caddy Canyon Quartzite and overlying Inkom Formation, is marked by several incised valleys filled with conglomerate and micaceous breccia. These likely formed during infrequent marine sea-level fluctuations during the ~600 Ma Varanger (Vendian) glaciofluvial event and others, 1994. Sequence boundary 1 can be seen north of Green Canyon in sec. 29, T. 7 S., R. 37 E. There, coarse-grained braided stream deposits of the middle member Caddy Canyon Quartzite are abruptly overlain by offshore mudstone and submarine conglomerate-filled channels of the upper member.

Above sequence boundary 2, the braided fluvial Mutual Formation represents a regional period of lowered sea level. Sequence boundary 2 is best exposed just north of the town of Inman in the NE1/4 sec. 16, T. 7 S., R. 36 E. Although less accessible and less well-exposed, the dramatic change of this erosional type 1 sequence boundary can best be seen in the Sawmill Creek drainage in the SE1/4 sec. 15, T. 7 S., R. 36 E. In this locality, conglomerate-filled channels of the Mutual Formation are scoured into the underlying Inkom Formation.

Above sequence boundary 3, the shallow marine Skullobo- and Cretaceous-bearing Camelback Mountain Quartzite (basal unit of the lower, 100-m, s. dration). Such sequence records increased rates of continental margin subsidence that produced the Middle and Late Cambrian passive margin (Cretaceous magneolite). Sequence boundary 3 is not seen as an erosional contact in the Bonneville Peak quadrangle, but just to the south, in Upper Rock Creek (McCammon quadrangle), is underlies erosional channels of Camelback Mountain Quartzite scoured into the underlying Mutual Formation. The northward change from a disconformable contact to an apparently conformable contact may be a result of more rapid subsidence to the north.

Cambrian and Ordovician Strata

Overlying the Brigham Group in the Bonneville Peak quadrangle and regionally in southeastern Idaho is a sequence of Cambrian to Ordovician shallow marine carbonate and subordinate quartzite strata. The oldest of these units, the Elkhart Limestone, represents the beginning of a transition from primarily siliciclastic to primarily carbonate deposition along the Cordilleran margin (Oriel, 1968; Link and others, 1987).

Sauke River Plain Volcanism

Beginning at approximately 10 Ma, extensive rhyolite volcanism occurred in the eastern Snake River Plain (Pierce and Morgan, 1992). The informal Inkom tuff member of the upper member, Tetrah, Saragosa Formation, an interpreted late Miocene-age (6.8 ± 0.5 Ma) based on thermochronologic correlation (Rodgers and Othberg, 1999), lies disconformably on the Ordovician Fish Haven Limestone and Swan Peak Quartzite in the southwest corner of the quadrangle.

Pleistocene Deposits

The basalt of Portneuf Valley, dated at 0.583 ± 0.104 Ma (Scott and others, 1982), was erupted from a vent in Glen Valley, east of the Portneuf River. It flowed over 40 km down the path of the Portneuf River and is preserved along the Portneuf River and Marsh Creek in the western part of the Bonneville Peak quadrangle.

Deposits of loess containing well-developed soils, which overlie the basalt of Portneuf Valley in nearby areas, suggest an extended period of eolian fluvial deposition following the end of volcanism (Scott and others, 1982). The Bonneville Flood, an outburst flood from the Bonneville Basin to the south at approximately 14–15 ka (Coffman, 1981), removed Pleistocene sediments from the valley bottom, scoured and polished the basalt, and deposited large boulders.

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