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Description: Designation of limits to cited geologic maps. Maps appear as images on Plate 2.

Revision History: No changes.

Number of records: 5

Field Name	Data Type	Description of field
OBJECTID	Object ID	Unique identifier generated by the software. This identifier will act as a primary key.
SHAPE	Geometry	Polygon.
SHAPE_Length	Double	Length of feature in feet generated by software.
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Feature Class: geologic_units_rev11

Description: Geologic mapping in relation to BSC alignment, rev 11, by S&W at 1:24k scale.

Purpose: Geologic mapping in relation to BSC alignment, rev 11, by S&W at 1:24k scale.

Revision History: No changes.

Number of records: 914

Field Name	Data Type	Description of field
OBJECTID	Object ID	Unique identifier generated by the software. This identifier will act as a primary key.

Field Name	Data Type	Description of field
Shape	Geometry	Polygon
geounit	Text	Geologic Units
SHAPE_Length	Double	Length of feature in feet generated by software.
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Feature Class: GPS_waypoints_geotech

Description: This point feature class represents areas of interest collected by Shannon & Wilson, Inc. in the field while individual teams investigated the Caliente Corridor.

Purpose: To identify areas visited in various team field reconnaissance trips

Revision History: No changes.

Number of records: 525

Field Name	Data Type	Description of field
OBJECTID	Object ID	Unique identifier generated by the software. This identifier will act as a primary key.
SHAPE	Geometry	Point
NAME	Text	Waypoint ID
Trip	Text	Trip ID

Feature Class: NTS_building_rev8

Description: Nevada Test Site building mock-up

Purpose: To show an approximate schematic of the Nevada Test Site buildings

Revision History: No changes.

Number of records: 14

Field Name	Data Type	Description of field
OBJECTID	Object ID	Unique identifier generated by the software. This identifier will act as a primary key.
SHAPE	Geometry	Polygon.
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Feature Class: NTS_rail_rev8

Description: Nevada Test Site rail mock-up

Purpose: To show an approximate schematic of the Nevada Test Site rail

Revision History: No changes

Number of records: 28

Field Name	Data Type	Description of field
OBJECTID	Object ID	Unique identifier generated by the software. This identifier will act as a primary key.
SHAPE	Geometry	Polyline
Type	Text	Type
SHAPE_Length	Double	Length of feature in feet generated by software.

Feature Class: project_outline_250000

Description: Polygon area of project extent at 250K

Purpose: Show the extent of the Caliente project

Revision History: No Changes

Number of records: 1

Field Name	Data Type	Description of field
OBJECTID	Object ID	Unique identifier generated by the software. This identifier will act as a primary key.
SHAPE	Geometry	Polygon
SHAPE_Length	Double	Length of feature in feet generated by software.
SHAPE_Area	Double	Area of feature in feet generated by software.

Feature Class: pub_geologic_features_corridor_anno

Description: Geologic features annotation (related to "geolgic_uints_rev11").

Revision History: No Changes

Number of records: 259

Field Name	Data Type	Description of field
OBJECTID	Object ID	Unique identifier generated by the software. This identifier will act as a primary key.
SHAPE	Geometry	Point
Layer	Text	Feature type for annotation
Text_	Text	Text string

Feature Class: pub_geologic_features_corridor_line

Description: Geologic feature lines (related to "geolgic_uints_rev11").

Revision History: No Changes

Number of records: 1279

Field Name	Data Type	Description of field
OBJECTID	Object ID	Unique identifier generated by the software. This identifier will act as a primary key.
SHAPE	Geometry	Polygon
Feature	Text	Feature Type
SHAPE_Length	Double	Length of feature in feet generated by software.

Feature Class: pub_geologic_features_corridor_poly

Description: Geologic feature polygons (related to "geolgic_uints_rev11").

Revision History: No Changes

Number of records: 280

Field Name	Data Type	Description of field
OBJECTID	Object ID	Unique identifier generated by the software. This identifier will act as a primary key.
SHAPE	Geometry	Polygon
Feature	Text	Feature Type
SHAPE_Length	Double	Length of feature in feet generated by software.
SHAPE_Area	Double	Area of feature in feet generated by software.

Feature Class: sheet_index_24000

Description: Sheet index for 24K scale maps

Purpose: To produce mapsheets at 24K scale

Revision History: No Changes

Number of records: 71

Field Name	Data Type	Description of field
OBJECTID	Object ID	Unique identifier generated by the software. This identifier will act as a primary key.
SHAPE	Geometry	Polygon
Sheet_No	Text	Sheet Number
SHAPE_Length	Double	Length of feature in feet generated by software.
SHAPE_Area	Double	Area of feature in feet generated by software.

Feature Class: stationing_rev11_24000_anno

Description: Alignment stationing annotation at 24K scale for BSC alignment, rev 11.

Revision History: No Changes

Number of records: 249

Field Name	Data Type	Description of field
OBJECTID	Object ID	Unique identifier generated by the software. This identifier will act as a primary key.
SHAPE	Geometry	Annotation
TextString	Text	Annotation Text

Feature Class: stationing_rev11_24000_line

Description: Alignment stationing leader lines at 24K scale for BSC alignment, rev 11.

Revision History: No Changes

Number of records: 2509

Field Name	Data Type	Description of field

Field Name	Data Type	Description of field
OBJECTID	Object ID	Unique identifier generated by the software. This identifier will act as a primary key.
SHAPE	Geometry	Polyline
SHAPE_Length	Double	Length of feature in feet generated by software.

Feature Class: stationing_rev11_250000_anno

Description: Alignment stationing annotation at 250K scale for BSC alignment, rev 11.

Revision History: No Changes

Number of records: 55

Field Name	Data Type	Description of field
OBJECTID	Object ID	Unique identifier generated by the software. This identifier will act as a primary key.
SHAPE	Geometry	Annotation
TextString	Text	Annotation Text

Feature Class: stationing_rev11_250000_line

Description: Alignment stationing leader lines at 250K scale for BSC alignment, rev 11.

Revision History: No Changes

Number of records: 282

Field Name	Data Type	Description of field
OBJECTID	Object ID	Unique identifier generated by the software. This identifier will act as a primary key.
SHAPE	Geometry	Polyline
SHAPE_Length	Double	Length of feature in feet generated by software.

Feature Class: sw_seg_start_points_rev11

Description: This point feature class represents S&W interpretation of segments based on BSC alignment, rev 11.

Revision History: No changes.

Number of records: 65

Field Name	Data Type	Description of field
OBJECTID	Object ID	Unique identifier generated by the software. This identifier will act as a primary key.
SHAPE	Geometry	Point
Segment	Text	Segment Name

Feature Class: title_block_250000

Description: Polygon area for title block of 250K scale maps

Purpose: To create white space for text to be inserted in the page layout on the map documents

Revision History: No Changes

Number of records: 2

Field Name	Data Type	Description of field
OBJECTID	Object ID	Unique identifier generated by the software. This identifier will act as a primary key.
SHAPE	Geometry	Polygon
SHAPE_Length	Double	Length of feature in feet generated by software.
SHAPE_Area	Double	Area of feature in feet generated by software.

Feature Class: title_block_fig

Description: Polygon area for title block for figure sheets

Purpose: To create white space for text to be inserted in the page layout on the map documents

Revision History: No Changes

Number of records: 1

Field Name	Data Type	Description of field
OBJECTID	Object ID	Unique identifier generated by the software. This identifier will act as a primary key.
SHAPE	Geometry	Polygon
SHAPE_Length	Double	Length of feature in feet generated by software.
SHAPE_Area	Double	Area of feature in feet generated by software.

Feature Class: xs_loc_anno_plate2

Description: Cross section annotation for Plate 2.

Revision History: No changes.

Number of records: 18

Field Name	Data Type	Description of field
OBJECTID	Object ID	Unique identifier generated by the software. This identifier will act as a primary key.
SHAPE	Geometry	Point
label	Text	Label

Feature Class: xs_loc_line_plate2

Description: Cross section lines for Plate 2.

Revision History: No Changes

Number of records: 9

Field Name	Data Type	Description of field
OBJECTID	Object ID	Unique identifier generated by the software. This identifier will act as a primary key.
SHAPE	Geometry	Polygon
ID	Integer	Cross Section ID
SHAPE_Length	Double	Length of feature in feet generated by software.

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ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

A	insufficient evidence for certainty rating (as relates to mineral potential)
AASHTO	American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials
Ag	silver
ANSI	American National Standards Institute
AREMA	American Railway Engineering and Maintenance-of-Way Association
As	arsenic
ASTM	American Society for Testing and Materials
Au	gold
AWWA	American Water Works Association
B	low certainty rating (as relates to mineral potential)
Ba	barium
BBE	Busted Butte East
BCFG	billion cubic feet of gas
Be	beryllium
BGRR	Beatty Goldfield Railroad
Bi	bismuth
BLM	U.S. Bureau of Land Management
BMPs	Best Management Practices
BNSF	Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway Company
BSC	Bechtel SAIC Company, LLC
C	moderate certainty rating (as relates to mineral potential)
CAPP	Chemical Accident Prevention Program
Cd	cadmium
cm	centimeter
Co	cobalt
CPT	cone penetrometer test
Cr	chromium
CRC	Caliente Rail Corridor
CS	common segment
Cu	copper
D	high certainty rating (as relates to mineral potential)
DCM	Design Criteria Manual
DEIS	Draft Environmental Impact Statement
DOD	U.S. Department of Defense
DOE	U.S. Department of Energy
EIS	Environmental Impact Statement
EOL	end-of-line
EOR	engineer of record
EPA	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
EWDP	Early Warning Drilling Program

LIST OF ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS (cont.).

F	fluorine
FEIS	Final Environmental Impact Statement
FHWA	Federal Highway Administration
FOB	free on board
FRA	Federal Railroad Administration
FY	fiscal year
GCMC	Goldfield Consolidated Mines Company
G-DCM	Geotechnical Design Criteria Manual
GF3	Goldfield 3 Route
GIS	Geographic Information System
gpm	gallons per minute
GPS	global positioning system
g/t	grams per ton
H	high mineral potential
HASP	Health and Safety Plan
Hg	mercury
HSA	hollow-stem auger
H:V	horizontal to vertical
HSU	hydrostratigraphic units
IDW	investigation-derived waste
in/sec	inches per second
ISRM	International Society of Rock Mechanics
Jacobs	Jacobs Engineering, Inc.
K	potassium
KGRA	known geothermal resource area
km	kilometer
L	low mineral potential
LV&TRR	Las Vegas and Tonopah Railroad
M	moderate mineral potential
Ma	million years old or million years ago or million years before present
MGR	Managed Geologic Repository
MILS	mineral property location database compiled by the U.S. Bureau of Mines
mm	millimeter
mm/sec	millimeters per second
mm/yr	millimeters per year
MMBO	million barrels of oil
Mn	manganese
MnO	manganese oxide
Mo	molybdenum
M&O	Maintenance and Operation
mph	miles per hour

LIST OF ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS (cont.).

MPR	Mineral Potential Report
MRDI	Mineral Resource Development, Inc.
MRDS	mineral resource dataset compiled by U.S. Geological Survey
MS	mineral survey
MSE	mechanically stabilized earth
MSEW	mechanically stabilized earth wall
MVGI	Metallic Ventures Gold, Inc.
N&M	Ninyo & Moore, Inc.
Na	sodium
NAC	Nevada Administrative Code
NBMG	Nevada Bureau of Mines and Geology
NDEP	Nevada Division of Environmental Protection
NDOT	Nevada Department of Transportation
NEPA	National Environmental Policy Act
Ni	nickel
NPDES	National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System
NRCS	Natural Resources Conservation Service
NRL	Nevada Rail Line
NRP	Nevada Rail Partners
NTS	Nevada Test Site
NTTR	Nevada Test and Training Range (formerly Nellis Air Force Base and Testing Range)
NVT	Nevada Transportation
NWRPO	Nuclear Waste Repository Project Office
O	no mineral potential
OCRWM	Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management
O.D.	outside diameter
opt	ounces per ton
oz	ounce, specifically troy ounce in this report
oz/t	ounces per ton
P	phosphorous
Pb	lead
PGA	peak ground acceleration
PGR	Preliminary Geotechnical Report
PM	particulate matter
ppb	parts per billion
ppm	parts per million
PSHA	probabilistic seismic hazard analysis
psi	pounds per square inch
PV	prefabricated vertical
PVC	polyvinyl chloride

LIST OF ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS (cont.).

QA	quality assurance
QC	quality control
RFI	Request for Information
RFP	Request for Proposal
ROD	Record of Decision
ROE	right-of-entry
ROW	right-of-way
RQD	Rock Quality Designation
RSS	reinforced soil slopes
S&W	Shannon & Wilson, Inc.
Sb	antimony
Sc	scandium
SCS	Soil Conservation Service
Se	selenium
SFRS	steel fiber-reinforced shotcrete
SI	International System of Units
Sm	samarium
Sn	tin
SPT	Standard Penetration Test
Sr	strontium
SR	State Route
SSURGO	Soil Survey Geographic Database
T&TRR	Tolicha and Tonopah Railroad
TBM	Tunnel Boring Machine
T N	Township North
T S	Township South
Tl	thallium
tpd	tons per day
tpy	tons per year
tsf	tons per square foot
U	uranium
UPRR	Union Pacific Railroad Company
USACE	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
USAF	U.S. Air Force
USBM	U.S. Bureau of Mines
USBR	U.S. Bureau of Reclamation
USCS	Unified Soil Classification System
USDA	U.S. Department of Agriculture
USFS	U.S. Forest Service
USGS	U.S. Geological Survey
V	vanadium

LIST OF ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS (cont.).

W	tungsten
WPCP	Water Pollution Control Permit
wt%	weight percent
YMP	Yucca Mountain Project
Zn	zinc

PRELIMINARY GEOTECHNICAL REPORT

CALIENTE RAIL CORRIDOR
YUCCA MOUNTAIN PROJECT, NEVADA

1.0 INTRODUCTION

This report summarizes the results of preliminary geotechnical engineering evaluations to support route optimization and conceptual design of a proposed rail line for the Yucca Mountain Project (YMP). This report is a revision of the Preliminary Geotechnical Report (Shannon & Wilson, Inc., 2005), and it includes the Revision 11 alignments, as shown in the map provided by Bechtel SAIC Company, LLC (BSC), dated 18 August 2005.

1.1 Project Description

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) has selected the Caliente Rail Corridor within which to determine an alignment for the construction and operation of a railroad to transport spent nuclear fuel and high-level waste to a repository planned near Yucca Mountain, Nevada.

The proposed 319-mile corridor originates at the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) mainline track near Caliente, Nevada. It then extends northwest toward Tonopah. It wraps around the north and west sides of the Nevada Test and Training Range (NTTR) before entering the Nevada Test Site (NTS) near its southwest corner. It terminates at the southern entrance to the repository (Figure 1). The exact location of the connection between the proposed rail line and UPRR has not been identified and two alternatives are currently being evaluated. The rail line would consist of a single track, with passing sidings at appropriate intervals.

It is estimated that approximately 3.1 million tons of crushed rock ballast would be required for new track construction (Nevada Rail Partners, 2005a). In addition, approximately 2.5 million tons of subballast would be required for roadbed construction. Other construction materials that would be required for the Nevada Rail Line (NRL) include embankment fill, erosion control stone (riprap), and aggregate for concrete.

1.2 Purpose and Scope

The geotechnical engineering scope of work for the project is phased to correspond with evolving levels of project development as follows:

- Preliminary geotechnical engineering to support initial route selection and alignment optimization, the conceptual design of the railroad, and the EIS.
- Geotechnical engineering to support final route selection and alignment optimization, preliminary engineering, and final design.
- Geotechnical engineering analysis and testing support during construction.

This report includes descriptions of the data review and initial field reconnaissance. It provides a description of the regional geologic conditions and geologic hazards that occur within the corridor. Information is provided on the route alignment within the corridor with respect to the geologic hazards and difficult soil conditions based on the data review and field reconnaissance. Local geologic conditions are summarized for discrete segments of the corridor, and preliminary geotechnical engineering and construction considerations are provided for each segment.

In addition to presenting preliminary, yet detailed, geologic data and geotechnical considerations for the NRL, this report summarizes all of the preliminary geotechnical engineering activities by including deliverables prepared for other subcontract tasks. These deliverables include:

- Preliminary Geotechnical Design Criteria Manual (G-DCM)
- Ballast Sourcing Cost Analysis
- Preliminary Construction Aggregate Report
- Preliminary Mineral and Energy Resources Assessment Report

These documents are included in the appendices, under separate covers, and should be referenced for specific subject information. The remainder of this report specifically addresses geologic data and geotechnical considerations.

1.3 Acknowledgements

This report was prepared by Shannon & Wilson, Inc. (S&W). Paul Godlewski (Project Manager) provided oversight for the work. Will Hultman and Steve McMullen managed the field reconnaissance and report preparation. Art Geldon and Steve McMullen comprised the primary field reconnaissance team and participated in data review and report preparation. Neal McCulloch and Bruce Stover performed reconnaissance over a portion of the corridor. William

Perkins provided faulting and seismic information. Andy Caneday, William Lewis, and Leslie Regier prepared the maps presented in the figures and plates. Dex McCulloch, Principal-in-Charge, and many other S&W personnel provided valuable assistance in the execution of the work and development of this report.

1.4 Authorization

This work was performed by S&W for Bechtel SAIC Company, LLC (BSC) in general accordance with YMP Technical Services Subcontract No. NN-HC4-00197, Caliente Rail Corridor Geotechnical Analysis. Revision of this report for the Revision 11 alignments was authorized by Subcontract Change Notice 6, effective October 31, 2005. This document is Submittal No. 8.8 of this subcontract.

2.0 LITERATURE AND DATA REVIEW

2.1 Review of Existing Project Data

BSC provided maps and reports previously developed for portions of the NRL. Review of these materials provided an understanding of the rail corridor selection process and the current level of development of the NRL as the baseline route. The principal project documents reviewed included a conceptual design report for the Caliente route (DeLeuw-Cather & Co., 1992), and an engineered plan and profile drawing set (Nevada Rail Partners, 2005b). The DeLeuw-Cather report included regional geology, soils data, and conceptual-level geotechnical recommendations. The Nevada Rail Partners (NRP) study included rail alignment plan and profile sheets for the NRL, current as of July 22, 2005.

BSC also provided various maps and geographical information systems (GIS) files that included data on the alignment, geology, soils, environmental studies, land use, hydrology, transportation routes, and other data related to the project. Topographic surveying done by other subcontractors to BSC was unavailable during the time of our fieldwork and engineering analysis. Thus, U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) 7.5-minute (1:24,000 scale) and 30 x 60-minute (1:100,000 scale) topographic maps were used during our work.

2.2 Literature Search and Review

We performed an extensive literature search to identify published references that contain information relevant to the corridor. S&W technical library staff conducted the literature search using keywords determined by project technical staff. Searches were conducted on publication databases from the USGS, Nevada Bureau of Mines and Geology (NBMG), Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT), the DOE, the USGS Mercury Core Library, the State of Nevada Agency for Nuclear Projects, the Center for Nuclear Waste Regulatory Analyses, the Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management (OCRWM), the Desert Research Institute, and others.

S&W engineers and geologists reviewed the publication lists generated from the searches. References believed to contain relevant information were identified and obtained if available. The collected references are catalogued in the Project Bibliography, Table 1, and most are kept in our project library. Additional references are identified in the other reports referenced in the appendices.

Many references were collected that were too specific in topic for this study, but could be relevant for subsequent work. Some references were superseded by more recent publications, and some references describe conditions outside the corridor, but provide information that can be correlated to conditions within the corridor. As references were reviewed, they were rated A, B, or C in Table 1 to indicate their relevance to this current stage of the project as follows:

A Highly relevant to the NRL.
B Some relevance to the NRL.
C Little relevance to the NRL, but could be relevant for final design or construction.

The purpose of the literature review was to develop an understanding of the geologic conditions in the vicinity of the NRL. The intent was to begin building a project reference library that would be useful not only for current tasks, but for subsequent phases as well. We expect that additional references would be identified and obtained as the project develops. Therefore, it is desirable that the project bibliography be maintained and updated through all phases of the project.

Another purpose of the data review was to plan the geotechnical reconnaissance. Using the maps and profiles developed during the NRP study (Nevada Rail Partners, 2005b), and GIS overlays of soil and geologic data, we identified areas of differing geology and locations of features such as

deep cuts and bridge locations. Based on this information, we developed reconnaissance trip itineraries. The itineraries were refined as we obtained more recent or more detailed information.

3.0 GEOTECHNICAL RECONNAISSANCE

To facilitate planning of our field reconnaissance program, the corridor was divided into geomorphic segments. Segment boundaries were selected based on proposed start and end points for common and alternative alignments, and major changes in topography and geology observed on the USGS topographic and county geology maps. Geologic features that could require special engineering consideration (e.g., faults, playa deposits or mining districts), and locations of bridges, deep cuts, and high fills, were identified on the maps and designated for further investigation during the field reconnaissance.

During the reconnaissance, sites were accessed via established roads and existing two-wheel tracks, or by hiking short distances. Only four-wheel-drive pickup trucks and sport utility vehicles were used and no off-road driving was performed. Each geotechnical reconnaissance team consisted of a S&W engineer and a S&W geologist. The teams carried camping equipment but it was not used, since the teams were able to return to a town and stay in motels during the entire reconnaissance effort.

While in the field, the teams determined their positions relative to the alignment using mapping software and global positioning system (GPS) receivers. Using the computer program Terrain Navigator Pro by Maptech, USGS topographic maps at scales of 1:24,000 and 1:100,000 were displayed on a laptop computer inside the vehicle. Using a Garmin GPS receiver connected to the computer, a symbol was displayed on the map representing the current position of the vehicle. Real-time tracking was enabled so that the symbol on the map would move as the vehicle moved. For most of the reconnaissance, the tracks were recorded by plotting a colored line segment every 30 seconds showing the traveled route. The NRL alignment was also displayed on the computer screen. Latitude and longitude coordinates, or waypoints, for the alignment were downloaded into the GPS receiver before starting the reconnaissance. The waypoints were designated to define a route that plotted as a series of line segments connecting closely spaced points. When the GPS receiver was connected to the computer, the NRL

alignment appeared on the topographic maps. This system enabled the field personnel to know their location relative to the NRL at all times.

Geologic conditions observed during the field reconnaissance are presented in the Detail Maps, Figure 3. An Index and Legend to the Detail Maps are presented in Figure 2. Geomorphic segment start points are identified in Figure 3 using an alphanumeric designation beginning with letter "S" followed by a one- or two-digit number with the segment numbering beginning at Caliente, Nevada, and increasing toward the NTS.

Typical data collection procedures at each stop during the reconnaissance included taking digital photographs, recording a GPS waypoint, classifying the soil and rock materials, and recording information on data forms regarding geologic hazards, design and construction considerations, and future explorations. Select photographs that illustrate features observed during the reconnaissance are listed in Table 5. Reconnaissance photographs are presented in Appendix H.

The geotechnical reconnaissance was performed in eight trips as follows:

- Trip 1 – From June 18 to June 25, 2004, two teams performed reconnaissance on the western segment of the NRL between the NTS boundary and Mud Lake near Tonopah. All subsequent Task 1 geotechnical reconnaissance trips were performed by a single two-person team.
- Trip 2 - We performed the second reconnaissance trip between August 23 and August 31, 2004. The area covered during this trip extended from Mud Lake eastward to the Nye County-Lincoln County line in the White River Valley.
- Trip 3 – The third trip was performed between September 29 and October 7, 2004. On this trip, we covered the corridor from the White River Valley eastward to the UPRR interface at the end of the Caliente, Eccles, and Crestline options.
- Trip 4 – Access to the NTS had not been granted within the timeframe of the first three trips. Therefore, geotechnical reconnaissance for the portion of the NRL on the NTS was not performed until March 3 and 4, 2005.
- Trip 5 – Between April 8 and 12, our two-person team performed reconnaissance along new alternatives in northern Garden Valley, near Goldfield, in Oasis Valley, and from Tram Ridge (part of Yucca Mountain) to Beatty Wash.
- Trip 6 – Between May 2 and 10, 2005, we completed reconnaissance for new alternatives near Goldfield, from southern Garden Valley to southern Coal Valley, from Reveille Valley to Railroad Valley, and from Sarcobatus Flat to Lida Valley.

- Trip 7 – Between August 1 and 6, 2005, we completed reconnaissance along the GF3 alternative alignment.
- Trip 8 – In some areas, sections of the Revision 11 baseline and alternative alignments plotted outside of the areas covered by previous reconnaissance trips. Between December 3 and 5, 2005, we performed reconnaissance mostly in Garden Valley and the Goldfield Hills to collect geologic and geotechnical data along these sections of the Revision 11 alignments.

4.0 REGIONAL GEOLOGY AND TECTONIC SETTING

4.1 Geographical Description of the Caliente Rail Corridor

The eastern portion of the NRL crosses parts of the Colorado River Basin, while the majority of the NRL traverses the southern Great Basin section of the Basin and Range physiographic province. As shown in the Shaded Relief Map, Plate 1, the terrain consists of relatively narrow northern and northwestern trending mountain ranges surrounded by broad sediment-filled basins, each about 10 to 15 miles wide. Elevations along the corridor range from 6,291 feet at Warm Springs Summit in the Kawich Range to 3,215 feet at the base of Busted Butte, east of Yucca Mountain.

Beginning at Yucca Mountain, located within the NTS, the corridor generally trends north-northwesterly to Mud Lake through southern Nye County and the eastern portion of Esmeralda County. As shown in Plate 1, this segment generally parallels U.S. Highway 95 and is situated between the highway and the NTTR boundary. This western portion of the NRL traverses several basins, including Crater Flat, Oasis Valley, Sarcobatus Flat, Lida Valley, Montezuma Valley, and Mud Lake. The closest upland areas to the NRL in this western portion are Yucca Mountain (including Tram Ridge), Bare Mountain, the Bullfrog Hills (including Oasis Mountain), Pahute Mesa, Stonewall Mountain, the Goldfield Hills, Malpais Mesa, and the San Antonio Mountains. Drainage from upland areas in this portion of the NRL generally flows through ephemeral streams, such as Beatty Wash, Tolicha Wash, and numerous unnamed washes into playas, including Alkali Flat, Stonewall Flat, and Mud Lake. The only through-flowing streams in this part of the corridor are Fortymile Wash and the Amargosa River, which drain to Death Valley.

Beyond Mud Lake, the NRL continues generally eastward through southern Nye County to the western Lincoln County line, traversing land between the NTTR, U.S. Highway 6, and Nevada

State Route 375. The NRL crosses several basins, including Ralston Valley, Cactus Flat, Stone Cabin Valley, Reveille Valley, and Railroad Valley. Upland areas in this portion of the corridor include the Monitor Range (which terminates in the Monitor Hills), the Kawich Range, and the Reveille Range. All drainage runs off into playas.

From the Lincoln County line, the NRL continues along an eastern trend through Sand Spring Valley crossing lobes of the Quinn Canyon Range, as shown in Plate 1. It curves around the north end of the Worthington Mountains into Garden Valley, then crosses the Golden Gate Range, Coal Valley, and the Seaman Range before descending into the White River Valley. The NRL then crosses the North Pahroc Range and Dry Lake Valley before it ascends to Bennett Pass between the Chief and Highland Ranges. It descends from Bennett Pass to a point along U.S. Highway 93 in Meadow Valley, south of Panaca, where two alternative routes proposed as potential connections to the UPRR diverge. The Caliente Option follows U.S. Highway 93 and Meadow Valley Wash along an old railroad grade south to the town of Caliente. The Eccles Option trends southeast over Miller Bench to Dutch Flat along Clover Creek, where it meets the UPRR tracks at Eccles siding. Drainage from the mountains in this portion of the NRL generally flows to playas, but the White River, Meadow Valley Wash, and its tributary, Clover Creek, flow to the Colorado River.

4.2 Geologic Setting

Mountain ranges and valleys in the NRL area reflect the underlying structure of the southern Great Basin, which mostly has resulted from large-scale crustal extension since the Oligocene epoch along north- to northeast-striking normal faults (see Section 4.3 for a discussion of regional tectonics). The NRL area is underlain by a wide variety of geologic units ranging in age from Precambrian to Quaternary. In general, this area can be divided into a western region where mostly Tertiary volcanic rocks crop out in upland areas and an eastern region where Paleozoic sedimentary rocks and Tertiary volcanic rocks form the upland terrain (Plate 2, Sheet 1). About 60 percent of the geology shown in the Regional Geology Compilation Map, Plate 2, Sheet 1, was compiled from a geologic map of the Death Valley groundwater model area by Workman et al. (2002a). In our opinion, the map by Workman et al. represents the most comprehensive, up-to-date, geologic map of the region in which the NRL is located. Geology for parts of the NRL area not covered by the Workman et al. map was compiled from geologic maps of Esmeralda County (Albers and Stewart, 1972), northern Nye County (Kleinhampl and Ziony, 1985), southern Nye County (Cornwall, 1972), and Lincoln County (Tschanz and

Pampeyan, 1970). Geologic units shown in the Regional Geology Compilation Map are described in legends reprinted from the above-referenced maps in Plate 2, Sheet 2.

Geologic cross-sections at various locations in the NRL area are presented in Plate 3, and the locations of these cross-sections are indicated on Plate 2. The purpose of these cross-sections is to show in a general way how the regional structure affects spatial relationships between stratigraphic units. These cross-sections were compiled from several references. Consequently, stratigraphic nomenclature among the cross-sections is not consistent. Table 2 compares some of the geologic names used in different parts of the NRL area, but it was beyond the scope of this report to correlate all stratigraphic names used in the various cross-sections and on the Regional Geology Compilation Map. To describe local geologic conditions within the NRL area, a consistent stratigraphic nomenclature was developed, as described in Section 5.0.

The oldest rocks in the NRL area consist of early Proterozoic metamorphic rocks that crop out in the Funeral Mountains northeast of Death Valley, in the Bullfrog Hills west of Beatty, and in the Trappman Hills northwest of Pahute Mesa (Workman et al., 2002a). These 1.7 to 1.4 billion-year-old rocks consist largely of biotite, hornblende, and muscovite schist, quartzofeldspathic gneiss, migmatized, sillimanite-grade metasedimentary rocks, granitic to monzonitic plutons, and pegmatite and aplite dikes (Slate et al., 1999).

The Pahrump Group was deposited on the eroded surface of the Early Proterozoic rocks within and adjacent to Death Valley during the Middle and Late Proterozoic periods. The Pahrump Group consists of conglomerate, quartzite, sandstone, shale, dolomite, limestone, chert, and diabase. Although the upper surface has been eroded, the Pahrump Group is more than 11,000 feet thick in places (Hunt and Mabey, 1966).

Deposition of the Noonday Dolomite during the Late Proterozoic period marked the beginning of alternately marine and terrestrial sedimentation that continued without lengthy interruption into the Permian period (Workman et al., 2002a). Late Proterozoic to early Middle Cambrian rock consists of quartzite, sandstone, siltstone, and shale with subordinate limestone and dolomite that represent brief transgressive sequences. Late Middle Cambrian to Middle Devonian rocks are mostly limestone and dolomite, but regressive clastic sequences, such as the Dunderberg Shale and the Eureka Quartzite, intertongue with the carbonate rocks. The Antler Orogeny at the end of the Devonian period uplifted parts of the area and caused a major change in sedimentation patterns (Cole and Cashman, 1999). During the Mississippian period, deposition of carbonate

rocks, as typified by the Joana Limestone, continued in stable shelf areas, whereas argillite, quartzite, sandstone, and conglomerate, as typified by the Eleana Formation and Chainman Shale, accumulated in foreland basins. During the Late Pennsylvanian and Early Permian periods, seas returned to most of the area, which resulted in deposition of the Ely Limestone, Bird Spring Formation, and equivalent stratigraphic units. Following terrestrial deposition in the Early Permian, Late Permian seas deposited the Toroweap and Kaibab Formations. From the Late Proterozoic period to the Late Permian period, more than 35,000 feet of sedimentary rocks accumulated in the NRL area (Laczniak et al., 1996).

Late Permian to Jurassic sedimentary rocks are present as erosional remnants in the Spring Mountains southeast of the NTS and in southeastern Lincoln County (Tschanz and Pampeyan, 1970; Grose and Smith, 1989). In these areas, alternately terrestrial sandstone, shale, and siltstone and marine limestone, dolomite, and gypsum of Permian and Early Triassic age grade upward into coastal plain and eolian sequences of Late Triassic and Jurassic age. In Esmeralda and northern Nye Counties, conglomerate, pebbly sandstone, sandstone, siltstone, argillite, limestone, chert, and greenstone of Permian to Jurassic age have scattered exposure (Albers and Stewart, 1972; Kleinhampl and Ziony, 1985).

During the Middle Jurassic to Late Cretaceous Sevier Orogeny, major thrust faults, such as the Keystone and Pahranagat Faults, wrench faults, and folds developed (Laczniak et al., 1996; Faunt, 1997). Intrusion of granitic magmas as scattered small stocks and, locally as larger plutons, accompanied this tectonic activity and continued into the Tertiary period (Grose and Smith, 1989).

Following erosion throughout most of the early Tertiary period (65 to about 38 million years ago [Ma]), the Death Valley region began to be pulled apart along low-angle normal faults, such as the Bare Mountain Fault, and strike-slip faults, such as the Furnace Creek Fault. The strike-slip faults are associated with the Walker Lane Belt (Laczniak et al., 1996; Faunt, 1997), a region of complex stratigraphic and structural elements that extends in the NRL area from Yucca Mountain to the vicinity of Goldfield. Regional extension was also accommodated in the NRL area by listric-normal faults stair-stepping down into calderas and topographic basins (Scott, 1990; Minor et al., 1993), by intra-block grabens (Fridrich et al, 1999a), and by wrench faulting between strike-slip faults (Blakely et al., 1999). The regional structural fabric is north-northwestern to north-northeastern, but major strike-slip faults strike northwesterly (Workman et al., 2002a).

Episodic eruptions of tuffaceous rocks and rhyolitic to basaltic lava flows began after deposition of the lacustrine Sheep Pass Formation of Paleocene and Eocene age (Kleinhampl and Ziony, 1985). In Oligocene and early Miocene time, several major ash-flow tuff sheets, such as the Needles Group, the Monotony and Shingle Pass Tuffs, and the Pahranagat Formation, were emplaced from northern and eastern source areas (Best et al., 1989 and 1993; Scott et al., 1995a; Rowley et al., 1995).

Volcanism in middle to late Miocene time (about 16 to 7 Ma) formed the southwestern Nevada volcanic field, which is more than 13,700 feet thick beneath eastern Pahute Mesa (Laczniak et al., 1996; Warren et al., 1998). Eruption of 17 extensive ash-flow tuff sheets and associated lava flows occurred from at least 7 large, overlapping caldera complexes. The greatest volcanic activity occurred between 14 and 11 Ma, during which time the Belted Range, Crater Flat, Paintbrush, and Timber Mountain Groups erupted from the Claim Canyon, Silent Canyon, Timber Mountain, and other caldera complexes. The youngest caldera-forming events associated with the southwestern Nevada volcanic field occurred between 9.4 and 7.4 Ma, during which time the Thirsty Canyon Group erupted from the Black Mountain Caldera, and the Volcanics of Stonewall Mountain erupted from the Stonewall Mountain Caldera (Minor et al., 1993).

Substantially reduced and much less frequent eruptive events and tectonic activity continued into Pliocene and Pleistocene time. The youngest dated volcanic rocks, basalt flows and cinder cones in the Oasis Valley, Crater Flat, and Amargosa Valley areas are 1.1 to 0.077 Ma (Warren et al., 1998; Slate et al., 1999).

From Oligocene to Quaternary time, coarse-grained detritus shed from uplifted areas, and fine-grained and calcareous lacustrine sediments alternately filled syntectonic basins, together with lesser amounts of eolian sand and silt, evaporite deposits, marsh and playa sediments, and spring-carbonate deposits (Rowley and Shroba, 1991; Swadley and Simonds, 1994a; Scott et al., 1995a; Fridrich et al., 1999a; Snow and Lux, 1999; Slate et al., 1999). The older, deeper basin-fill sediments typically are lithified, whereas the younger basin-fill sediments become progressively less indurated with decreasing depth and age. Quaternary sediments typically are unconsolidated. Relatively thin basalt flows and tuff layers commonly are intercalated with basin-fill sediments. The basin-fill sediments can be more than 4,000 feet thick (Laczniak et al., 1996). In areas, such as Crater Flat, Yucca Mountain, Oasis Valley, and Dry Lake Valley, faults

have remained active and have offset basin-fill sediments during Holocene time (Minor et al., 1993; Swadley and Simonds, 1994a; Simonds et al., 1995; Fridrich et al., 1999a).

4.3 Tectonics and Regional Seismicity

The NRL area is located in the southern part of the Great Basin section of the Basin and Range physiographic province. The Basin and Range is a region of Cenozoic extensional deformation that extends nearly 1,600 miles from Idaho and Montana on the north to central Mexico on the south (Dickinson, 2003). The Great Basin extends westerly about 500 miles from the Wasatch Range and Colorado Plateau, in Utah and Arizona, to the Sierra Nevada and Great Valley, in California, and southerly about the same distance from southern Oregon and Idaho to the vicinity of Death Valley and Lake Mead, in California and Nevada (Plume, 1996).

Tectonic evolution of the Great Basin has resulted from two distinctly different styles of deformation - thrust faulting and folding, which occurred during the Paleozoic and Mesozoic eras, and extensional normal and strike-slip faulting, which began early in the Cenozoic era and has continued into the present (TRW Environmental Safety Systems, Inc., 2000). Ongoing extension in the southern great Basin has doubled its width in the last 20 million years (Thatcher et al., 1999).

Major recognizable, post Proterozoic, compressional deformation began in the NRL area with episodic uplift and thrust faulting during the late Devonian to Mississippian Antler orogeny (Kleinhampl and Ziony, 1985). This folding and faulting created a mountainous region and a foreland marine basin to the east, into which detritus shed from the rising mountains was deposited (Stewart, 1980; Trexler et al., 1996).

Emplacement of north-northwest- to north-northeast-trending overthrust belts from Permian to Cretaceous time terminated marine deposition in the NRL area (TRW Environmental Safety Systems, Inc., 2000). From west to east, these deformational features include the Death Valley thrust belt (Snow, 1992), the Sevier orogenic belt (Snow, 1992; Taylor et al., 1993; Trexler et al., 1996), and the Central Nevada thrust belt (Taylor et al., 1993). In most of these belts, thrust faults were accompanied by overturned or dismembered folds, and most thrusts displaced rocks eastward (TRW Environmental Safety Systems, Inc., 2000). Cenozoic crustal extension and strike-slip movement laterally offset and rotated segments, but most major thrust faults can be traced along strike for more than 60 miles (Workman et al., 2002b). Prominent faults in and near

the NRL area that resulted from this tectonic episode include the Meikeljohn, Panama, Belted Range, CP, Specter Range, Spotted Range, Wheeler Pass, Keystone, Gass Peak, Lincoln, Mount Irish, and Golden Gate Thrusts (Workman et al., 2002b).

Starting in the Oligocene epoch, before development of Basin and Range topography, magmatism characterized by shallow intrusion and development of calderas and stratavolcanos occurred in belts that paralleled subduction along the western edge of the North America plate (Burchfiel et al., 1992; Christiansen and Yeats, 1992; Lipman, 1992). Faulting accompanied, but was secondary to magmatism during this period of extension (Rowley, 1998). Most of the faults that developed during this period either strike northeast with a left-lateral strike-slip component or strike northwest with a right-lateral strike-slip component (Ekren et al., 1968). The Mount Helen, Cactus Range, and Cathedral Ridge Calderas (Ekren et al., 1971), the Quinn Canyon Range Caldera (Sargent and Houser, 1970; Best et al, 1989), the Kawich Range Caldera (Stewart and Carlson, 1976; Best et al, 1989 and 1995), the Goldfield Caldera (Albers and Stewart, 1972; Cornwall, 1972), the Timpahute transverse zone (Ekren et al., 1976 and 1977; Rowley, 1998), and the Bellehellen lineament (Ekren et al., 1976; Gardner et al., 1980) formed during this period.

In the early Miocene epoch, prior to about 20 million years ago, movement on the San Andreas Fault system resulted in oblique extension over much of the Basin and Range province (Hamilton and Myers, 1966). Some of the motion between the North American and Pacific Plates transferred across the Sierra Nevada-Great Valley block into the Great Basin, resulting in a pattern of right-lateral and normal faulting in the western part of the Great Basin and predominantly normal faulting in the eastern part of this area (Bennett et al., 1999, and 2003; Thatcher et al., 1999; Oldow et al., 2001). Right-lateral shear generated the Walker-Lane belt.

The Walker-Lane belt is a 60-mile-wide structural domain that extends northwesterly subparallel to the Nevada-California state line from the vicinity of Las Vegas, Nevada to northern California (Stewart, 1988). The Walker-Lane belt separates the Basin and Range domain, on the north, from the Inyo-Mono domain and Sierra Nevada block, on the south, although structural elements of the Walker-Lane belt overlap adjacent domains. The Walker-Lane belt is characterized by an assemblage of crustal blocks separated by discontinuous, northwest-striking, right-lateral faults and northeast-striking, left-lateral faults (Stewart, 1988; Carr, 1990).

The Inyo-Mono domain includes all of the extended terrain west of the Furnace Creek-Death Valley fault zone, east of the Sierra Nevada front, and north of the Garlock Fault (Carr, 1984; Stewart, 1988). This domain is characterized by concentrated right-lateral shear and oblique extension, resulting in a series of rhombohedral pull-apart basins, including sub-basins within Death Valley (Blakely et al., 1999). Structural relief is very high, in part because detachment faulting has unroofed some mountain ranges, such as the Funeral Range and Black Mountains. Faults in this region are more continuous, better defined, and more active than those in the Walker-Lane belt (Workman et al., 2002b). As distinctive as the Inyo-Mono domain is, it could be partly represented within the Walker-Lane belt by less developed features, including the Pahrump-Stewart Valley-Amargosa Fault system (Blakely et al., 1999) and the Sarcobatus Flat-Goldfield Hills fault zone (Blakely and Ponce, 2001; Workman et al., 2002b).

The Basin and Range domain is characterized by generally northerly trending relatively narrow mountain ranges separated by broad structural and topographic basins filled with alluvium derived from erosion of the mountains. This topography resulted mostly from differential movement along north- to northeast-trending normal faults. Mountain ranges generally are composed of tilted fault blocks, with range-bounding faults defining one or both sides of mountain ranges and adjacent basins, such that these basins are either grabens or half-grabens (Stewart, 1980). Many of these faults have been inactive since at least middle to late Quaternary time and are buried beneath basin-fill sediments (Workman et al., 2002b), but some normal faults displace upper Pliocene to Quaternary surficial deposits (Simonds et al., 1995). Major faults in this structural domain include the Paintbrush Canyon and Solitario Canyon Faults at Yucca Mountain, the Bare Mountain Fault, the Hogback Fault in Oasis Valley, the Kawich Range and Hot Creek-Reveille Faults bordering the Kawich Range, the East Reveille Range and West Railroad Faults bordering the Reveille Range, the Quinn Canyon Fault on the west side of the Quinn Canyon Range, the Penoyer Fault on the west side of the Worthington Mountains, the Pahroc Fault on the east side of the Seaman Range, the White River Fault on the west side of the North Pahroc Range, and the Antelope Canyon and Chief Canyon Fault zones bordering the Chief Range (Taylor, 1990; Rowley et al, 1994; Workman et al., 2002b).

During Basin-and-Range extension, magmatism was secondary to faulting (Workman et al., 2002b). Nevertheless, prominent calderas developed in the Southwest Nevada Volcanic Field from 13.7 to 7.5 million years ago. These calderas included the Silent Canyon Caldera complex,

the Claim Canyon Caldera, the Timber Mountain Caldera complex, the Black Mountain Caldera, and the Stonewall Mountain Caldera (Workman et al., 2002b).

Consistent with east-west extension across the Great Basin and northwesterly right-lateral shear in its western part, Quaternary surface faults tend to strike north-northwesterly toward the western part of the region and northerly elsewhere, as shown in the Faults and Seismic Activity Map, Plate 4. Geodetic measurements indicate about 0.35 to 0.51 inches per year (9-13 mm/year) of deformation in the western fourth of the Great Basin (Bennett et al., 1999 and 2003; Thatcher et al., 1999). As shown on Plate 4, faults in the NRL area typically have relatively low slip rates of less than 0.008 inches per year (<0.2 mm/yr). Few of the numerous Quaternary faults in the NRL area have been shown to have Holocene surface rupture.

Historically, numerous small- to moderate- and occasionally large-magnitude earthquakes have occurred within the Great Basin as a result of ongoing extensional deformation across the region. Epicenter distribution patterns (shown on Plate 4) and geodetic strain data indicate that strain presently is concentrated primarily north of Yucca Mountain in a zone along latitude 37^0 N (the intermountain seismic belt), in the eastern California shear zone, and in the central Nevada seismic zone (Bennett et al., 1999). As indicated on Plate 4, a few magnitude 6 or larger earthquakes have occurred within the NRL area, but the largest recorded earthquakes in this area consistently have been in the magnitude 5.0 to 5.9 range.

4.4 Hydrogeology

The NRL region is located near the terminus of a large series of interconnected hydrographic basins that comprise the Great Basin regional aquifer system (Prudic et al., 1993; Plume, 1996). All basins have interior drainage, except those of Meadow Valley Wash and the White River, which are tributaries of the Colorado River. East of the Quinn Canyon Range, regional groundwater flow is toward Muddy River Springs (southeast of the Pahranagat Valley) and the Colorado River; to the west, regional groundwater flow is toward Oasis Valley, Ash Meadows (in the Amargosa Desert), and Death Valley.

In the vicinity of the NRL region, groundwater moves at local, intermediate, and regional scales through multiple aquifers. Hydraulic connection between basins most commonly is maintained through unconsolidated sediments that were deposited across low topographic divides. In many structural basins, such as the Amargosa Desert, Oasis Valley, Sarcobatus Flat, Lida Valley,

Stonewall Flat, Ralston Valley, Stone Cabin Valley, Dry Lake Valley, and Meadow Valley, groundwater occurs abundantly at shallow (≤100 feet) depths in basin-fill sediments (Dudley and Larson, 1976; Bunch and Harrill, 1984; Claasen, 1985; and Robledo et al., 1998). Tertiary lava flows, ash-flow tuff sheets, and bedded tuff deposits can be very transmissive (Laczniak et al., 1996; Luckey et al., 1996). However, transmissive intervals in the volcanic rocks are laterally discontinuous, and water moving vertically through fractures across stratigraphic and lithologic contacts maintains regional flow through these rocks (Geldon et al., 1998, and 2002; Geldon, 2004). Deep interbasin flow occurs primarily through Paleozoic carbonate rocks (Dettinger et al., 1995).

Faults and related fractures are the largest influence on groundwater flow through bedrock aquifers within the NRL region (Faunt, 1997). Faults disrupt stratigraphic continuity, which can divert water in regional circulation to local and subregional outlets. For example, juxtaposition of Paleozoic carbonate rocks against Quaternary and Tertiary lacustrine and playa sediments by the Ash Meadows Fault has created an oasis at Ash Meadows in the Amargosa Desert, where water originating in the Paleozoic rocks issues profusely as springs from Quaternary-Tertiary sediments (Winograd and Thordarson, 1975). At Yucca Mountain, faults enhance the permeability of adjacent Miocene tuffaceous rocks. The faults act as either barriers or conduits to groundwater flow and delimit hydrologic domains (Geldon, 1996, and 2004). In the Kawich, Quinn Canyon, North Pahroc, and Cedar Ranges, and in the Goldfield Hills, faults appear to control the location of springs issuing from Tertiary volcanic rocks.

Less important than structure, but also an influence on groundwater flow, is the lithology of rocks along flow paths. In basin-fill sediments, shifting depositional environments over short distances resulted in substantial facies changes that affect transmissivity and hydraulic conductivity, particularly where silt and clay became intermixed or interbedded with sand and gravel (Bunch and Harrill, 1984; Plume, 1996). In volcanic rocks, a characteristic change from lava flows to welded tuffs and, ultimately, nonwelded and bedded tuffs with increasing distance from eruptive centers can cause the same stratigraphic units to have substantially different hydraulic properties in different areas (Laczniak et al., 1996; Geldon, 2004). Depositional pinchouts of Miocene tuffs in Jackass Flats, east and south of Yucca Mountain, force water into alluvium that is unsaturated where it overlies these same tuffs about 7 miles to the north (Claasen, 1973; Thordarson, 1983; and Nye County Nuclear Waste Repository Project Office, 2005). Lateral facies changes within Paleozoic rocks (e.g., from cherty limestone to shaly

limestone or from limestone to dolomite) might affect permeability, but a westward facies change in Mississippian rocks from predominantly limestone and dolomite to predominantly argillite and quartzite produced a sinuous barrier to regional groundwater flow extending northerly from Ash Meadows (in the Amargosa Desert) to Elko, Nevada. (Mifflin and Hess, 1979). Outcrops of Cambrian and Proterozoic quartzite, gneiss, schist, marble, metadiorite, and granitic rocks force water into overlying aquifers and create flow-system boundaries throughout the region (Winograd and Thordarson, 1975).

Factors other than lithology and structure in the NRL region that have been discussed as possible influences on permeability and groundwater flow include increasing induration in basin-fill sediments and decreasing fracture openness in bedrock aquifers with depth (Winograd and Thordarson, 1975), alteration and welding in tuffs (Laczniak et al., 1996), and the coupled effects of hydrochemical changes in response to thermal gradients (Moore et al., 1984).

Geldon (2004) recognized 11 hydrostratigraphic units (HSUs) in the region traversed by the NRL. HSUs are composed of related geologic units that have similar lithologic and hydraulic properties over laterally extensive areas.

Most basin-fill sediments are included in the Quaternary-Tertiary fan, floodplain, and stream alluvium HSU. Component geologic units are Holocene to Pliocene in age. Included sediments consist of sand, gravelly sand, sandy gravel, and gravel, with cobbles, boulders, silty to clayey intervals, and thin interbeds of clay and silt, that were deposited mostly in alluvial fans, floodplains, and stream channels. Subordinate eolian silt and sand, landslide deposits, debris flows, talus, colluvium, basalt flows, and tuff layers are present locally. Generally unconsolidated at and near the water table, sediments become more indurated with increasing depth. This HSU tends to be an aquifer regionally, but finer-grained sediments, calcrete layers, and intercalated volcanics impede groundwater movement.

The Quaternary-Tertiary playa and spring deposits HSU consists of playa, lake, marsh, and spring-deposited clay, marl, limestone, silt, sand, gravel, evaporite deposits, and thin tuff layers. Component geologic units are Holocene to Pliocene in age. Regionally, this HSU tends to be a confining unit, but limestone and sand layers can be very productive aquifers.

The Quaternary-Tertiary basalt lava flows HSU consists of mafic lava flows intercalated with, and underlying basin-fill sediments and, also, cinder cones that are present locally in topographic

basins. Component geologic units, which are Holocene to Miocene in age, are not laterally extensive. Hydraulic properties of individual lava flows are extremely variable, and cinder cones typically are above the water table.

The Younger Tertiary tuff and lava flows HSU consists of nonwelded to densely welded ash-flow tuff, depositional and fault-related tuff breccia, ash-fall tuff, reworked tuff, volcaniclastic rocks, and rhyolite, comendite, and trachyte lava flows. Component geologic units are Pliocene to Miocene in age. The volcanic rocks that comprise this HSU tend to have both fracture and matrix permeability. Fracturing, which is most intense near faults, is believed to enhance permeability. Alteration of rock-forming minerals to zeolite, clay, carbonate, silica, and other minerals, which is most intense toward eruptive centers, is believed to reduce permeability. Hydraulic properties within this HSU are extremely variable laterally and vertically. Fortuitous combinations of lithology and structure can result in very transmissive intervals or major impediments to groundwater flow over large areas.

The Older Tertiary tuff and lava flows HSU consists mostly of ash-flow tuff, ash-fall tuff, reworked tuff, tuff breccia, volcaniclastic rocks, and rhyolite, comendite, rhyodacite, and dacite lava flows; however, shale, sandstone, and conglomerate are intercalated. Component geologic units are older Miocene to Oligocene in age. The volcanic rocks that comprise this HSU tend to have both fracture and matrix permeability. Ash-flow tuffs tend to be nonwelded, but they can be partly to densely welded. Alteration of ash-flow, ash-fall, and reworked tuffs to zeolite, clay, carbonate, silica, and other minerals is common. Regionally, this HSU tends to be a confining unit.

The Tertiary and Mesozoic granitic rocks HSU consists of granodiorite, quartz monzonite, granite, and tonalite stocks and larger plutons. Component geologic units are Oligocene to Jurassic in age. Although these intrusive rocks can produce small quantities of water from fractures and weathered zones, they impede groundwater flow wherever they are present.

The Mesozoic and Permian sedimentary rocks HSU consists of interbedded conglomerate, gravelly sandstone, sandstone, siltstone, shale, calcareous shale, limestone, and gypsum. Component geologic units are Jurassic to Permian in age. Hydraulic properties are extremely variable. The Shinarump Conglomerate Member of the Chinle Formation and the Kaibab Limestone are regional aquifers, and other sandstone and limestone intervals transmit water

locally. Conversely, intervals predominantly composed of shale, such as upper members of the Chinle Formation, are regional confining units.

The Paleozoic carbonate rocks HSU interfingers with the Paleozoic and Proterozoic clastic rocks HSU. The Paleozoic carbonate rocks HSU consists of cherty, siliceous, silty, shaly, and fine-grained limestone and cherty, silty, sandy, and fine-grained dolomite with subordinate chert, shale, siltstone, sandstone, and quartzite. Component geologic units are Permian to Cambrian in age. Although clastic intervals confine flow, Mississippian, Devonian, Silurian, Ordovician, and Cambrian limestone and dolomite are aquifers throughout the Great Basin and adjacent physiographic provinces.

The Paleozoic and Proterozoic clastic rocks HSU consists of argillite, shale, siltstone, quartzite, sandstone, and conglomerate with subordinate chert, limestone, dolomite, and diabase. Component geologic units are Permian to Middle Proterozoic in age. Although limestone, dolomite, and clastic rocks locally transmit water, this HSU regionally is considered a confining unit.

The Early Proterozoic igneous and metamorphic rocks HSU consists of schist, metaconglomerate, gneiss, marble, and metadiorite, which are intruded by monzonitic to granitic dikes. Although these rocks can produce small quantities of water from fractures and weathered zones, they constitute a confining unit that is the base of the groundwater flow system in the region.

5.0 STRATIGRAPHIC NOMENCLATURE AND DESCRIPTION OF GEOLOGIC UNITS

Geologic units present along and adjacent to the NRL range in age from Holocene to Late Proterozoic. Table 2 presents generalized stratigraphic columns for four principal areas along the corridor. Table 3 lists most major stratigraphic units included in the combined regional geologic units. Properties of the geologic units shown on the Detail Maps in Figure 3 that were mapped during the field reconnaissance are presented in Table 5. A field reference sheet for rock classification is included in Appendix I. It defines the terminology used in our rock descriptions.

Geologic unit designations in Tables 3 and 5 differ slightly because the stratigraphic nomenclature used for the Detail Maps was compiled from local, subregional, and regional-scale geologic maps as the reconnaissance mapping progressed, and it was beyond the scope of this report to resolve differences in stratigraphic nomenclature used from area to area and in different references for the same area..

Stratigraphic nomenclature used on the Detail Maps in Figure 3, in Tables 2, 3, and 5, and in the body of the report (with the exception of geologic cross-sections shown on Plate 3) was chosen in accordance with two main objectives:

- An abundance of stratigraphic names in use in the NRL area needed to be condensed on the basis of lithologic and engineering properties into a much smaller number of regionally significant names. The geologic map by Workman et al. (2002a) and the county geologic maps guided this initial step in the selection of stratigraphic names.
- Stratigraphic nomenclature used in this report needed to incorporate the most current and widely accepted geologic names assigned in the study area. Numerous geologic reports and maps (referenced in Table 1), which were prepared at local, subregional, and regional scales over the last 40 years, were studied to sort through stratigraphic nomenclature that has evolved repeatedly in response to ever-increasing levels of knowledge and changes in conceptual geologic models.

Observations made during the field reconnaissance and the literature review led to some revisions in nomenclature. It is expected that additional literature searches and field work during subsequent phases of the project might result in additional revisions in nomenclature.

5.1 Quaternary Eolian Dune, Sheet, and Ramp Deposits (Qe)

Holocene to early Pleistocene eolian deposits cover large areas, but they generally were too thin to show on field reconnaissance maps. They consist mostly of loose, light brown, brown, pale yellowish-brown, and light gray, fine- to medium-grained sand, silty sand, and sandy silt. Locally, gravel and cobbles are intermixed with the sand and silt or occur as lag deposits. The eolian deposits form low mounds with gravel pavement, sand sheets, dune fields, and ramp deposits.

5.2 Playa and Lake Sediments (Qp)

All valleys along the Caliente rail corridor, except Oasis Valley, White River Valley, and Meadow Valley Wash, lack external drainage. Holocene and latest Pleistocene playas exist at

the lowest points of Sarcobatus Flat, Lida Valley, Stonewall Flat, Ralston Valley, Cactus Flat, Railroad Valley, Sand Spring Valley, Coal Valley, and Dry Lake Valley. Sediments that fill these playas and surrounding areas that were lakes when the climate was wetter consist of tan, light brown, brown, and light-gray to white mixtures of stiff to hard silt, clay, and dense, fine-grained sand. The playa sediments are desiccated at land surface and covered with patches of loose, fine gravel or wind-blown, medium to coarse-grained sand.

5.3 Quaternary Stream Channel and Floodplain Alluvium (Qc)

Holocene and latest Pleistocene (?) alluvium occurs in channels and on adjacent floodplains of the Amargosa River, White River, Cottonwood Creek, Cherry Creek, Clover Creek, Beatty Wash, Tolicha Wash, Big Wash, Meadow Valley Wash, Cow Canyon, and numerous other drainages. No systematic attempt was made on the Detail Maps to distinguish these deposits from young Quaternary (Holocene and late Pleistocene) alluvium in tributary washes (discussed below).

Stream channels typically contain loose to medium-dense, unconsolidated, variably silty, sandy gravel, and variably silty, gravelly sand. Cobbles and boulders commonly are intermixed with the sand and gravel. Boulders as much as 4 to 7 feet in diameter were observed in washes on the west sides of the Quinn Canyon, North Pahroc, and Highland-Chief Ranges. High-energy runoff events of unknown frequency are indicated by the presence of boulders exceeding 3 feet in diameter. Deposits of desiccated silt and sandy silt, and silty sand, commonly present between channels, indicate that overbank flow occurs during large runoff events.

Floodplain deposits vary in character according to geologic and geomorphic settings. Floodplains in mountainous terrain (e.g., those of the Amargosa River, Clover, Cherry, and Cottonwood Creeks, Big Wash, and Cow Canyon) contain interbedded, loose to dense, reddish-brown, brown, and light brown, variably gravelly, variably silty, fine- to coarse-grained sand, and variably silty, sandy, fine to coarse gravel. Floodplains in basins containing lakebeds (e.g., those of White River and Meadow Valley Wash) contain reddish-brown, brown, light brown, tan, and light-gray, stiff to hard clay and clayey silt, and loose to dense, clayey sand, silty sand, and fine-grained sand.

5.4 Young Quaternary Fine-grained Alluvium (Qayf)

Holocene and latest Pleistocene (?) fine-grained sediments, some of which were deposited in Quaternary lakes, form aprons around several playas, including Mud Lake at the southern end of Ralston Valley. This apron extends east to surround a playa in Stone Cabin Valley. Aprons of fine-grained sediments also surround playas in Sarcobatus Flat, Lida Valley, Stonewall Flat, Cactus Flat, Railroad Valley, Sand Spring Valley, Coal Valley, and Dry Lake Valley. The fine-grained sediments consist of tan, beige, light brown, yellowish-brown, reddish-brown, and grayish-white, stiff to hard silt, clayey silt, sandy silt, and silty clay and dense, silty sand. The fine-grained sediments locally are cemented with calcium carbonate. At the ground surface, these sediments are typically tan and desiccated. They become very soft to soft during periods of seasonally high precipitation and runoff. These deposits occur in small to large unvegetated areas sparsely covered with patches of loose, fine gravel or beneath small mounds of eolian, fine to medium-grained sand stabilized by shrubs or grass.

5.5 Young Quaternary Fan, Valley Floor, and Tributary Alluvium (Qay)

Quaternary geologists working in the Death Valley region distinguish young, intermediate, and old Quaternary alluvium on the basis of many criteria that, for the most part, were not readily discernible during field reconnaissance. The presence or absence of calcrete layers within the alluvium seemed to be the only consistent basis for distinguishing young Quaternary (Holocene and late Pleistocene) from middle Quaternary (late and middle Pleistocene) and old Quaternary (early and middle Pleistocene) alluvium in the absence of published maps addressing this distinction. Consequently, identifications of young, middle, and old Quaternary alluvium east of Garden Valley are considered tentative.

The young Quaternary alluvium becomes finer grained from the upper parts of alluvial fans to the lower parts of these fans and to the adjacent valley floors. The loose to very dense upper and middle fan alluvium consists mostly of well-bedded, gently sloping, reddish-brown, brown, and light brown, sandy gravel and silty, sandy gravel, with cobbles and boulders up to 3 feet in diameter. Subordinate gravelly sand; gravelly, silty sand; and fine-grained sand layers are present. Scour and fill and cross-bedding were observed locally.

Lower and distal young Quaternary fan alluvium consists of medium dense to very dense, light brown, brown, and reddish-brown, sandy, silty gravel and gravelly, silty, fine-grained sand, with scattered cobbles and rare boulders.

Young Quaternary valley floor alluvium consists of locally damp to wet, medium dense to very dense, reddish-brown, slightly gravelly, silty to slightly silty, fine- to medium-grained sand with minor very stiff, red-brown to tan, sandy silt.

Young Quaternary tributary alluvium consists of loose to medium dense, brown, sandy gravel, gravelly sand, gravelly, silty sand, and silty, fine-grained sand.

5.6 Intermediate-age Quaternary Fan Alluvium (Qam)

The intermediate-age (Middle) Quaternary fan alluvium consists mostly of medium dense, light grayish-brown, reddish-brown, brown, and light brown, slightly silty, sandy gravel with cobbles and boulders and gravelly, silty sand with scattered cobbles. Thin horizons of very dense, white calcrete occur within the alluvium. These calcrete layers consist of cobble- to boulder-sized clasts up to 2 feet in diameter in gravelly, calcium carbonate-cemented, silty sand.

5.7 Old Quaternary Fan, Valley Floor, and Tributary Alluvium (Qao)

The old Quaternary alluvium becomes finer grained from the upper parts of alluvial fans to the lower parts of these fans and to the adjacent valley floors. The typically medium dense to very dense upper and middle fan alluvium predominantly consists of unconsolidated to well-cemented, reddish-brown, brown, and light brown, sandy gravel, and slightly silty to silty, locally clayey, sandy gravel. The gravel layers contain abundant carbonate-coated cobbles and scattered boulders of sedimentary and volcanic rocks, which are up to 4 feet in diameter. Interbedded subordinately with the gravel layers are gravelly, fine- to coarse-grained sand, gravelly, silty to clayey sand, and silty sand. Thin layers of low to moderate-strength (or very dense), white calcrete (carbonate-cemented gravel, cobbles, and some boulders) pervade the alluvium.

Lower and distal old Quaternary fan alluvium consists mostly of dense to very dense, reddish-brown, brown, light brown, light grayish-brown, gray, and tan, slightly silty to silty, sandy gravel with carbonate-coated cobbles and scattered small boulders, and loose to dense, slightly gravelly to gravelly, silty sand with scattered cobbles. Locally, stiff, sandy silt, stiff, gravelly, sandy clay layers, or moderate-strength (very dense) calcrete layers could be present.

Old Quaternary valley floor alluvium consists of dense to very dense, reddish-brown and light brown, silty, fine-grained sand, and slightly gravelly to gravelly, silty sand.

Old Quaternary tributary alluvium consists of dense to very dense, reddish-brown, clayey, sandy, fine to coarse gravel, slightly silty, gravelly, fine- to coarse-grained sand, and slightly gravelly, silty sand.

5.8 Quaternary-Tertiary Alluvium (QTa)

Pediment gravel, remnants of alluvial fans on basin margins, and paleocolluvium, i.e., basin-fill deposits with strongly developed or eroded relict soils are mapped as middle Pleistocene to Pliocene. Pediment gravel in Montezuma Valley consists of medium-dense to dense, brown to brownish-yellow, slightly gravelly, medium- to coarse-grained sand, gravelly sand, and sandy gravel, unconsolidated to poorly cemented with limonite. Remnant alluvial fans at the southern end of Reveille Valley and in an intermontane basin between the Timpahute and Golden Gate Ranges consist of very dense, reddish- to yellowish-brown, non- to well-indurated, slightly gravelly to gravelly, silty sand and sandy gravel. Exposures of paleocolluvium present in Sheep Spring Draw, in the Cedar Range, consist of very stiff to hard, brick-red and reddish-brown clay with seams of slightly gravelly to gravelly clay, very dense coarse-grained sand and fine gravel, and very dense, slightly gravelly, silty sand.

5.9 Quaternary-Tertiary Alluvium, Undivided (QTau)

Where several units of Quaternary and Tertiary alluvium interfinger and the geology could not be mapped in detail, the alluvium was not differentiated on the Detail Maps. Undivided Quaternary-Tertiary alluvium was mapped in areas from Yucca Mountain northwest to Sarcobatus Flat. The undivided Quaternary-Tertiary alluvium variably combines properties of component geologic units that are described previously.

5.10 Quaternary-Tertiary Landslide Deposits (QTls)

Landslide deposits consist of angular, gravel to boulder-sized fragments and blocks of bedrock in a poorly sorted matrix of unconsolidated to well-indurated clay, silt, and sand. The lithology of these deposits reflects the underlying bedrock. Landslides generally form on rock with low bearing strength, such as hydrothermally altered volcanic rocks and shale.

5.11 Quaternary-Tertiary Colluvium (QTc)

Colluvium consists of gravel to boulder-sized clasts of underlying bedrock in a matrix containing variable amounts of clay, silt, and sand, some of which might be cemented partly by calcite

seeping down through the erosional debris. Colluvium includes talus deposits. Although colluvium accumulates at the base of most outcrops, deposits generally are thin and limited in area. Consequently, few areas of colluvium were distinguished on field reconnaissance maps.

5.12 Quaternary-Tertiary Basalt (QTb)

Holocene to Pleistocene (approximately 0.07 to 1.1 Ma) cinder cones and related lava flows and feeder dikes occur in three volcanic centers: near Amargosa Valley (formerly Lathrop Wells), in central and western Crater Flat, and in northern Oasis Valley. Cinder cones include the Lathrop Wells Cone near Amargosa Valley; Little, Black, Red, and Makani Cones in Crater Flat; and Little Black Peak and Hidden Cones in Oasis Valley. The black and reddish-brown scoria cinder cones and basalt lava flows generally are resistant.

Basaltic trachyandesite, of Pliocene age (2.9 to 4.6 Ma), forms Buckboard Mesa, the Thirsty Mountain shield volcano, and a fissure-vent complex of moderately dissected scoria mounds, lava flows, and feeder dikes in southeastern Crater Flat. The rock forming these features is dark gray to dark reddish-brown and resistant.

Miocene and locally Oligocene basalt and basaltic andesite lava flows have widespread distribution in and adjacent to the rail corridor. Most of these lava flows erupted between 6 and 11.5 Ma. They include lava flows in southwestern Crater Flat, lava flows and cinder cones centered on the Black Mountain caldera, lava flows covering Blackcap Mountain and other high areas in the Goldfield Hills, and lava flows extending west from the Reveille Range into Reveille Valley (see Table 3 for a more complete list of component geologic units). These lava flows generally are dark gray to black, finely crystalline to porphyritic, locally auto-brecciated, and variably vesicular. Many vesicular basalt flows contain secondary minerals (amygdules) partially or nearly completely filling voids. Basalt megabreccia, consisting of rounded to sub-rounded, small to very large boulders of basalt in a matrix of welded, lithic-rich, basaltic andesite? tuff, forms most of the cliffs flanking the southwest side of Echo Canyon in the Reveille Range. Basalt breccia cemented with calcium carbonate was observed beneath a lava flow in Sarcobatus Flat. This geologic unit generally has very high strength and has closely to widely spaced fractures. Basalt flows, in general, are resistant and form or cap many upland areas, including Skull Mountain, Coba Mountain, Blackcap Mountain, the northern Goldfield Hills, and Malpais Mesa.

5.13 Tertiary Fan Alluvium (Tf)

This Pliocene unit includes the Fan Alluvium of Antelope Canyon. The unit consists of light gray and locally light pink, gravelly sandstone and conglomerate, with layers of silt, ash-flow tuff, and possible mudflow breccias. Bedding ranges from indistinct (massive) to slabby. Typically, moderately to well-cemented by microcrystalline calcium carbonate. Clasts are chiefly comprised of subangular quartzite and subordinate subrounded granodiorite from rock units exposed in the Chief Range. The unit locally contains boulders up to 5 feet in diameter. Where observed in Cobalt Canyon north of Indian Cove, the unit exhibited moderate to high strength. This unit is present generally on the east side of the Chief Mountains and in small, isolated outcrops on the floor of Meadow Valley. The Caliente alternative crosses a small outcrop of this unit just south of Indian Cove.

5.14 Tertiary Lake Beds (Tl)

Included in this Pliocene and Miocene geologic unit are the informally named White River Narrows unit in the White River Valley, the Panaca Formation in Meadow Valley, and lakebeds cropping out in and adjacent to Sheep Spring Draw, in the Cedar Range. The lacustrine sediments are tan, beige, brown, reddish-brown, salmon-pink, light gray, and white, and poorly to moderately consolidated. In Meadow Valley, the lakebeds thicken and become finer grained toward the center of the basin. In most places, the lakebeds consist of stiff to hard clay and silt, with subordinate, loose to medium dense, locally cross-bedded, fine- to medium-grained sand, and minor thin beds of medium dense, fine gravel, limestone, and diatomite. In and near Sheep Spring Draw, fine- to coarse-grained sand, gravelly sand, and gravelly, clayey sand, with thin beds of gravelly sandstone and conglomerate, predominate over sandy clay and silt. Where the sediments are moderately to strongly indurated, they have moderate to medium to high strength. In outcrops of the Panaca Formation, fractures in sandstone and claystone are closely to medium-spaced. The lakebeds, which are thin- to thick-bedded, locally erode into spires and columns and generally form hills and swales (badlands).

5.15 Younger Tertiary Sedimentary Rocks (Tsy)

This Pliocene and middle Miocene geologic unit is composed of predominantly clastic sedimentary rocks that accumulated in topographic basins between 2.9 and 16 Ma. Component geologic units include the rocks of Pavits Spring, conglomerate and sandstone in the Goldfield

Hills, Oasis and Meadow Valleys, and valleys of the White River and Clover Creek, caldera-moat filling sediments in the Pahute Mesa area, and other geologic units listed in Table 3.

These sedimentary rocks consist of tan, light-gray, light-orange, green, brownish- to greenish-yellow, yellowish- to reddish-brown, red, and pink, poorly to moderately consolidated, thinly to very thickly bedded, fluvial conglomerate, gravelly sandstone, sandstone, siltstone, and shale; locally intercalated with bedded tuff, playa sediments, and lakebeds. Typically, sandstone, gravelly sandstone, and conglomerate grade into each other and erode easily into gravelly sand and sandy gravel colluvium. Sedimentary rocks comprise most of the misnamed Siebert Tuff, but in the Goldfield Hills, sandstone and conglomerate in the Siebert are intercalated with a prominent light-gray to white, nonwelded, biotite-rich, lithic-rich ash-fall tuff. In the White River Valley, mostly unconsolidated cobble-gravel intervals interfinger with, and grade into lacustrine silt, clay, and fine-grained sand.

Basin-fill sediments in Oasis Valley, the Bullfrog Hills, and Clover Creek Valley generally have moderate to medium-high strength and have very closely to medium-spaced fractures. Colluvium, which is dense to very dense sand and gravel, generally covers most of the surface area where these basin-fill sediments are present. Sedimentary rocks in the Siebert Tuff have moderate to high strength, have closely to widely spaced fractures, and are prone to slumping; the ash-fall tuff in this geologic unit has low to moderate strength and has closely to very widely spaced fractures. Basin-fill sediments in the White River Valley typically consist of loose to very dense gravel interbedded in variable proportions with stiff to very stiff silt and clay. The younger Tertiary sedimentary rocks, in general, are moderately resistant and characteristically form benches.

5.16 Older Tertiary Sedimentary Rocks (Tso)

This middle Miocene and Oligocene geologic unit is composed of predominantly clastic sedimentary rocks that accumulated in topographic basins between 16 and 36 Ma. Component geologic units include the Titus Canyon Formation; the Panuga Formation; sedimentary and volcaniclastic rocks in the Seaman, North Pahroc, and Chief Ranges; and other geologic units listed in Table 3. These sedimentary rocks consist of brown, red, gray, green, and orange boulder to pebble conglomerate, sandstone, siltstone, mudstone, marl, and limestone, with landslide-deposited megabreccia, mudflow breccia, reworked and ash-fall tuff, and locally

intercalated lava flows. Although present near the rail corridor, this geologic unit does not crop out within it and was not visited during field reconnaissance.

5.17 Volcanics of Stonewall Mountain (Tsv)

The Miocene (7.5 to 7.8 Ma) Volcanics of Stonewall Mountain include the Spearhead and Civet Cat Canyon Members of the Tuff of Stonewall Flat and the central dome-forming Rhyolite of Stonewall Mountain. The latter unit was included in Table 3 with other rhyolite lava flows and related intrusives and is not discussed here.

The Tuff of Stonewall Flat consists of light gray, gray, pink, purple, light-orange-brown, and brick-red, nonwelded to moderately welded, crystal-poor, lithic-rich, trachyte to comendite ash-flow tuff. Most outcrops observed on the south flank of the Goldfield Hills and at Malpais Mesa had high to very high strength, but weathering was found to decrease rock strength significantly. At a site in the Goldfield Hills where the rock was weathered cavernously, relative strength was low. In general, this geologic unit has closely to widely spaced fractures. Bedding ranges from slabby to indistinct (massive). The geologic unit tends to form caprock on mesas underlain by less resistant formations.

5.18 Late to Middle Miocene Lava Flows and Intrusives of Intermediate Composition (Ta4)

This 7.5 to 16 Ma geologic unit includes the Andesite of Sarcobatus Flat, andesite south of Black Spring, andesite in the Clifford Mine area, and volcanic rocks of Klondike Spring. The geologic unit consists of black, gray, purple, and reddish-brown, commonly glassy, commonly foliated, locally hydrothermally altered, dacite, andesite, and basaltic andesite lava flows and flow breccia, with mudflow breccia and subordinate tuffaceous and sedimentary rocks. On the west side of the Kawich Range, a moderately to highly weathered, porphyritic dacite lava flow has medium-high to high strength and has very closely to closely spaced fractures with oxidized surfaces.

5.19 Tertiary Rhyolite Lava Flows and Related Intrusives (Tvr)

Small to moderate exposures of Miocene (7.5 to 23 Ma) rhyolite lava flows and related intrusives are common in the northwest part of the study area. They include the Rhyolite of Colson Pond (Oasis Valley), Rhyolite of Sarcobatus Flat, Rhyolite of Wildhorse Spring (Goldfield Hills), Rhyolite of O'Brien's Knob (Kawich Range) and other geologic units listed in Table 3. They

consist of red, purple, gray, black, white, and yellowish-brown, porphyritic to crystal-poor, commonly foliated, rhyolite to rhyodacite lava flows and domes with subordinate perlite, dikes and pyroclastic rocks. On the west side of the Kawich Range and in Oasis Valley, outcrops of rhyolite lava flows and perlite were found to have high to very high strength and very closely to widely spaced fractures. In both places, they formed small hills.

5.20 Tuff of Gold Flat (Tg)

The Miocene (9.15 Ma) Tuff of Gold Flat consists of bluish-green, yellow, and reddish-brown, partially to densely welded, crystal-poor, lithic-poor to lithic-rich, pantellerite ash-flow tuff. Although present near the rail corridor, this geologic unit does not crop out within it and was not visited.

5.21 Thirsty Canyon Group (Tt)

Composed of the Miocene (9.3 to 9.45 Ma) Trail Ridge, Pahute Mesa, and Rocket Wash Tuffs, this geologic unit consists of tan, pink, rusty-red, gray, and greenish-brown, nonwelded to densely welded, crystal-poor, comendite ash-flow tuff. Although present near the rail corridor, this geologic unit does not crop out within it and was not visited.

5.22 Volcanics of Fortymile Canyon (Tfv)

The Miocene (10.3 to 11.45 Ma) Volcanics of Fortymile Canyon includes the Beatty Wash Formation, Rhyolite of Fortymile Canyon, Rhyodacite of Fleur-de-lis Ranch, and several other formations listed in Table 3. This geologic unit consists of black, gray, brown, orange, red, purple, and white, crystal-rich to crystal-poor, rhyolite, rhyodacite, trachyte, andesite, basaltic andesite, and basalt lava flows, flow breccia, mudflow breccia, nonwelded to densely welded ash-flow tuff, and bedded ash-fall, ash-flow, and reworked tuff. Although crossed by the rail corridor in Oasis Valley, this geologic unit was not visited because of restricted access.

5.23 Timber Mountain Group (Tm)

The Miocene Timber Mountain Group is divisible into upper and lower parts on the basis of variations in the degree of welding. The upper (11.45 to 11.6 Ma) Timber Mountain Group (Tmar) includes the Ammonia Tanks and Rainier Mesa Tuffs. It consists of purple, purplish-gray, gray, pink, light-brownish-red, and reddish- to light-brown, nonwelded to densely welded, crystal-rich, variably lithic, variably lithophysal, locally flow-banded, trachyte to rhyolite ash-

flow tuff with minor bedded tuff. Outcrops of the Ammonia Tanks and Rainier Mesa Tuffs have moderate to very high strength and very closely to widely spaced fractures. Because of variable lithology, the Ammonia Tanks and Rainier Mesa Tuffs crop out as cliffs, ledges, and slopes.

The lower (11.6 to 11.7 Ma) Timber Mountain Group (Tmrf) includes the Rhyolite of Fluorspar Canyon and the Tuff of Holmes Road. It consists of white, grayish-white, salmon-pink, pink, and beige, slightly to highly weathered, thickly bedded, rhyolitic, nonwelded ash-flow tuff, ash-fall tuff, and reworked ash-fall tuff with subordinate lava flows. Outcrops of the Rhyolite of Fluorspar Canyon have low to medium-high strength and closely to widely spaced fractures. The Rhyolite of Fluorspar Canyon erodes easily and typically forms slopes below the Rainier Mesa Tuff from Crater Flat northwest to Sarcobatus Flat.

5.24 Steamboat Mountain Formation (Tsb)

The Miocene (approximately 11.7 Ma) Steamboat Mountain Formation consists of pinkish-, lavender-, greenish-, and yellowish-gray, tan, and white rhyolite lava flows, domes, and lithic-rich ash-flow tuff with subordinate sandstone beds. Although present near the rail corridor, this geologic unit does not crop out within it and was not visited.

5.25 Ox Valley Tuff (Tox)

The Miocene (12.3 to 12.6 Ma) Ox Valley Tuff consists of light-gray, partially to densely welded, crystal-rich, rhyolite ash-flow tuff. Although present near the rail corridor, this geologic unit does not crop out within it and was not visited.

5.26 Paintbrush Group (Tp)

The Miocene (12.5 to 12.8 Ma) Paintbrush Group, which includes the Tiva Canyon Tuff, Topopah Spring Tuff, and other formations listed in Table 3, forms most of the outcrop at Yucca Mountain. The Paintbrush Group consists of light-tan, brown, purplish-brown, purple, purplish-gray, gray, grayish-white, red, pink, and light orange, moderately to densely welded, crystal-poor, variably lithophysal, rhyolite to trachyte ash-flow tuff with subordinate nonwelded to partially welded ash-flow tuff, vitrophyre, tuff breccia, bedded tuff, and lava flows. Red to reddish-orange, variably indurated, variably altered breccia is common in fault zones. Moderately to densely welded tuff, vitrophyre, tuff breccia, and lava flows generally have high to very high strength, but nonwelded to partially welded ash-flow tuff and bedded tuff can have low to moderate strength. Typically shattered, weathered, and oxidized fault breccia has low to

high strength. Fractures generally are closely to widely spaced, but spacing can be wide to very wide in bedded tuff intervals and extremely close to very close adjacent to faults. Because of variable lithology, this geologic unit crops out as cliffs, ledges, and slopes.

5.27 Calico Hills Formation (Tac)

The Miocene (12.9 Ma) Calico Hills Formation consists of salmon-pink, light purple, light yellow, brown, gray, and grayish-green, rhyolite lava flows and bedded, commonly zeolitized, lithic-rich, ash-flow tuff, ash-fall tuff, tuff breccia, and tuffaceous sandstone. Although present near the rail corridor, this geologic unit does not crop out within it and was not visited.

5.28 Wahmonie Formation (Twa)

The Miocene (13.0 Ma) Wahmonie Formation consists of purple, red, brown, olive-gray, gray, and black, porphyritic andesite, dacite, and rhyodacite lava flows, flow breccia, and mudflow breccia, and white, gray, pink, green, and brown, bedded tuff, tuff breccia, sandstone, and conglomerate. Although present near the rail corridor, this geologic unit does not crop out within it and was not visited.

5.29 Crater Flat Group (Tc)

The Miocene (13.1 to 13.5 Ma) Crater Flat Group, which includes the Prow Pass, Bullfrog, and Tram Tuffs and the Rhyolite of Prospector Pass, has good exposure in fault blocks making up a western extension of Yucca Mountain known as Tram Ridge. The Crater Flat Group consists of olive, gray, lavender, red, brown, and orange, nonwelded to densely welded, crystal-poor, rhyolite ash-flow tuff with subordinate lava flows and bedded tuff. An outcrop of brecciated, silicified, densely welded ash-flow tuff near a fault cutting Tram Ridge exhibited very high strength, even though it was very closely fractured. In three boreholes drilled at the north end of Bow Ridge, fractures pervade tuff of the Crater Flat Group, but they are distributed unevenly, and intervals range from unfractured to very fractured. On the average, moderately to densely welded ash-flow tuff and fault-brecciated tuff intervals are the most fractured. Because of variable lithology, this geologic unit forms cliffs, ledges, and slopes.

5.30 Belted Range Group (Tb)

The Miocene (13.5 to 13.85 Ma) Belted Range Group, which includes the Dead Horse Flat Formation and the Grouse Canyon Tuff, consists of gray, greenish-gray, bluish-gray, and red,

comendite to trachyte lava flows, flow breccia, ash-flow tuff, vitrophyre, and bedded tuff. Although present near the rail corridor, this geologic unit does not crop out within it and was not visited.

5.31 Tuff of Etna (Te)

The Miocene (~13.8 to 14.1 Ma) Tuff of Etna consists of gray, partially to densely welded, crystal-poor to crystal-rich, rhyolite ash-flow tuff. Although present near the rail corridor, this geologic unit does not crop out within it and was not visited.

5.32 Tram Ridge Group (Tr)

The Miocene (14.0 to 14.1 Ma) Tram Ridge Group, which includes the Lithic Ridge Tuff and the Rhyolite of Picture Rock, has good exposure in fault blocks making up Tram Ridge. It consists of light to grayish-green, light olive-gray, ochre, brown, and maroon, partially welded, crystal-poor, lithic-rich, rhyodacite ash-flow tuff, bedded ash-fall tuff, and porphyritic dacite to rhyolite lava flows. Although present near the rail corridor, this geologic unit does not crop out within it and was not visited.

5.33 Volcanics of Quartz Mountain (Tqv)

The Miocene (14.3 to 14.8 Ma) Volcanics of Quartz Mountain include the Rhyolite of Quartz Mountain, the Tuff of Tolicha Peak, the Dacite of Mount Helen, and other formations listed in Table 3. The geologic unit consists of gray, grayish-brown, pinkish-brown, orange, and white, rhyolite to dacite lava flows, flow breccia, domes, partially to densely welded ash-flow tuff, tuff breccia, ash-fall tuff, reworked tuff, and sedimentary rocks. Although present near the rail corridor, this geologic unit does not crop out within it and was not visited.

5.34 Tuff of Yucca Flat (Toy)

The Miocene (15.1 Ma) Tuff of Yucca Flat consists of white, light-red, and light olive-gray, nonwelded to partially welded, crystal-poor, rhyolite ash-flow tuff. Although present near the rail corridor, this geologic unit does not crop out within it and was not visited.

5.35 Redrock Valley Tuff (Tor)

The Miocene (15.4 Ma) Redrock Valley Tuff consists of orange to reddish-brown, densely welded, crystal-poor, rhyolite ash-flow tuff. Although present near the rail corridor, this geologic unit does not crop out within it and was not visited.

5.36 Miocene-Oligocene Mostly Silicic Ash-flow Tuff with Interbedded Ash-fall Tuff (Tt_3)

Early Miocene to late Oligocene (approximately 16 to 27 Ma), mostly silicic ash-flow tuff and subordinate ash-fall tuff, have widespread exposure from the Goldfield Hills east to the Chief Range and Clover Mountains. Included within this geologic unit are the Fraction, Hiko, Harmony Hills, and Shingle Pass Tuffs, the Pahranagat, Condor Canyon, Leach Canyon, and Isom Formations, and many other formations listed in Table 3. This geologic unit consists of black, light- to dark-gray, greenish-gray, lavender-to reddish-gray, purple, red, brownish-red, pink, orange, purplish-brown, brown, tan, pinkish-beige, and white, nonwelded to densely welded, locally vitrophyric, variable porphyritic, variably lithic, locally foliated, variable lithophysal, rhyolite to rhyodacite ash-flow tuff with subordinate dacite, andesite, and trachyte ash-flow tuff, vitrophyre, and intercalated andesite to basalt laval flows. Tuff intervals locally are hydrothermally altered.

Most outcrops have high to very high strength, but nonwelded to partially welded tuff and hydrothermally altered rock can have moderate to medium-high strength. At a site in the northern Goldfield Hills, moderately welded tuff breaks readily perpendicular to foliation planes. Conversely, nonwelded to partially welded tuff in the Cedar Range tends to form massively rounded cliffs. Fractures typically are very closely to widely-spaced, but they can be widely to very widely spaced where the rock is especially resistant. In the Golden Gate and Chief Ranges, some tuffs tend to weather along rectangular fractures into rounded, bouldery looking columns. Because of variable lithology, this geologic unit forms cliffs, ledges, and slopes.

5.37 Miocene-Oligocene Lava Flows and Intrusives of Intermediate Composition (Ta_3)

Early Miocene to late Oligocene (approximately 16 to 27 Ma) lava flows and intrusives of intermediate composition with subordinate pyroclastic rocks have good exposure from the Goldfield Hills east to the Cedar Range and Clover Mountains. Included within this geologic unit are the Dacite at Goldfield, Milltown Andesite, lava flows of Indian Cove and other

formations listed in Table 3. Unit Ta3 consists mostly of black, gray, olive, greenish-gray, purplish-gray, pale grayish-purple, red, pink, reddish-brown, brown, tan, orange, and white, porphyritic, andesite to rhyodacite lava flows, flow breccia, mudflow breccia, domes, plugs, and dikes. The lava flows of intermediate composition locally are intercalated with tuff, clastic rocks, or basalt lava flows or underlain by grayish-green to black perlite layers. Lava flows and intercalated tuff in the Goldfield Hills have been altered extensively to clay and clayey megabreccia by hydrothermal solutions. Lava flows, perlite, intrusive bodies, and volcanic mudflow breccia typically have high to very high strength, but strength decreases to very low to low where the rocks have been hydrothermally altered to clay or clayey megabreccia. Very closely to widely spaced fractures were observed in outcrops of unaltered andesite and dacite lava flows, perlite, and moderately weathered diorite. Unaltered rocks are resistant and tend to form hills and cliffs.

5.38 Shingle Pass Tuff, Monotony Tuff, and Related Tuffs (Tsm)

This Oligocene (approximately 24 to 27 Ma) geologic unit, which consists of the Pahroc sequence, Shingle Pass Tuff, Monotony Tuff, and other formations listed in Table 3, was mapped for expediency only in the North Pahroc Range. Elsewhere, component geologic units were assigned to either unit Tt_3 or unit Tt_2. Unit Tsm consists of pale red, gray, brownish- to yellowish-gray, grayish-orange-pink, and reddish-brown, nonwelded to densely welded, partly vitrophyric, generally crystal-poor, rhyolite, trachyte, and dacite ash-flow tuff. Where observed, densely welded tuff and lava flows exhibited high to very high strength and had closely to medium-spaced fractures. Because of variable lithology, unit Tsm forms cliffs, ledges, and slopes.

5.39 Shingle Pass Tuff, Needles Range Group, and Related Tuffs (Tsn)

This Oligocene (approximately 24 to 27.9 Ma) geologic unit, which consists of the Isom Formation, Shingle Pass Tuff, Lund Formation, and other formations listed in Table 3, was mapped for expediency only in the Golden Gate and Seaman Ranges. Elsewhere, component geologic units were assigned to either unit Tt_3 or unit Tt_2. Unit Tsn consists of light to dark gray, pinkish-gray, orange-pink, pink, and lavender, moderately to densely welded, partly vitrophyric, generally crystal-poor, mostly rhyolite to trachyte ash-flow tuff. Where observed, moderately to densely welded tuff exhibited high to very high strength and had very closely to widely spaced fractures. Because of variable lithology, unit Tsn forms cliffs, ledges, and slopes.

5.40 Oligocene Silicic to Intermediate Tuff and Volcaniclastic Rocks (Tt_2)

Oligocene (approximately 27 to 33 Ma), silicic to intermediate ash-flow tuff, ash-fall tuff, and volcaniclastic rocks have good exposure in the Goldfield Hills, Kawich Range, and Quinn Canyon Range. Included within this geologic unit are the Monotony, Petroglyph Cliff, and Cottonwood Wash Tuffs, the Lund, Wah Wah Springs, and Windous Butte Formations, and other formations listed in Table 3. This geologic unit consists of gray, light-gray, greenish-gray, green, brown, grayish-brown, yellow, buff, pale-purple, red, brownish-red, pink, pinkish-tan, orange, and white, nonwelded to densely welded, variably porphyritic, variably lithic, variably lithophysal, dacite, trachyte, and rhyolite ash-flow tuff, with bedded lithic-rich tuff and volcaniclastic rocks, tuff breccia, mudflow breccia, andesite lava flows, and diorite plugs. Locally, as in the Goldfield Hills and at Warm Springs Summit, unit Tt_2 is altered hydrothermally to predominantly clay minerals or mixtures of chlorite, sericite, amorphous silica, and carbonate minerals.

Unaltered ash-flow tuff has very high strength where densely welded and medium to high strength where partially welded. Where chloritized or argillized, the strength of ash-flow tuff can be expected to decrease to moderate to low. Observed fracture spacing was very close to wide in unaltered and altered ash-flow tuff.

Bedded, reworked tuff and volcaniclastic rocks are friable in outcrop and exhibit moderate to medium-high strength. Outcrops of reworked tuff and volcaniclastic rocks have thickly to very thickly spaced bedding, as do outcrops of volcanic mudflow breccia. Observed fracture spacing was very close to wide in reworked tuff and volcaniclastic rocks.

Because of variable lithology, unit Tt_2 tends to form cliffs, ledges and slopes. Locally, as on the west side of the Quinn Canyon Range, bedded tuff weathers to knobs and buttes.

5.41 Oligocene Lava Flows and Intrusives of Intermediate Composition (Ta_2)

Oligocene (approximately 27 to 33 Ma) lava flows and intrusives of intermediate composition with subordinate pyroclastic rocks have limited exposure from Reveille Valley east to the North Pahroc Range. Included within this geologic unit are dacite at the southern end of Reveille Valley, andesite lava flows at the southern end of Reveille Valley, and andesite lava flows in the North Pahroc Range (Table 3). Unit Ta_2 consists mostly of black, dark gray, greenish-gray, brownish-gray, light brown, purple, and red, porphyritic, flow-banded, partly vesicular, andesite

to dacite lava flows and domes. Dacite lava flows in Reveille Valley exhibit very high strength, have very closely to widely spaced fractures, and form steep cliffs where a slot canyon is incised into a plateau underlain by the lava flows.

5.42 Sheep Pass Formation (Tsp)

The Eocene and Paleocene Sheep Pass Formation accumulated in lakes and streams before emplacement of the tuff sheets and lava flows that dominated Tertiary history in the study area. The formation has limited exposure in the White River Valley, at the northern end of the Seaman Range, and in the Quinn Canyon-Grant Ranges. The formation consists of calcite-cemented conglomerate and breccia overlain by limestone and thin-bedded shale, marl, and fine-grained sandstone. Strength is estimated to range from moderate in thin shale layers to very high in thick-bedded limestone and conglomerate intervals. The formation is thin- to thick-bedded and forms ledgy slopes.

5.43 Tertiary to Jurassic Granitic Rocks (TJg)

Tertiary to Jurassic granitic rocks, which include granite in Fluorspar Canyon, quartz monzonite in the Goldfield Hills, and the Porphyry of Meadow Valley Wash (Table 3), have limited exposure in the NRL area. The geologic unit consists of gray, pink, and orange quartz monzonite, granodiorite, and granite (dacite to rhyolite where fine-grained) stocks, plugs, and dikes. Strength is estimated to be high to very high. Fractures are estimated to be very closely to widely spaced. The rocks are mostly resistant, but they crop out locally as crumbly grus.

5.44 Permian and Pennsylvanian Carbonate Rocks (PPl)

Permian and Pennsylvanian carbonate rocks include the Ely Limestone (PPe) and Bird Spring Formation in the Golden Gate, Seaman, and North Pahroc Ranges and the Tippipah Limestone at Syncline Ridge northeast of the rail corridor. These formations consist of light gray, dark gray, and olive-gray, fine-grained to coarsely crystalline, fossiliferous, cherty, siliceous, and silty limestone and dolomite with subordinate sandy limestone and dolomite, algal limestone, and grayish-orange-pink to pale yellowish-brown, cross-bedded, fine- to coarse-grained sandstone. Strength is generally very high, but more thinly bedded intervals tend to have moderate to high strength. Bedding ranges from laminated to thickly spaced, with thinner bedding in silty intervals and thicker bedding in siliceous and cherty intervals. Fractures are very closely to widely spaced, with more fracturing in cherty intervals. The rock locally is brecciated, but

fractures in the breccia are healed with calcite. Variations in texture and lithology give the geologic unit a characteristic slope and ledge appearance.

5.45 Upper Mississippian Clastic Rocks (Muc)

Upper Mississippian clastic rocks, which include the Scotty Wash Quartzite and Diamond Peak Formation, are exposed in the Golden Gate, Seaman, and North Pahroc Ranges, on the northeast side of the study area and in the Calico Hills on the southeast side of the study area. This geologic unit consists of dark gray, grayish-orange, yellowish-brown, and brown, cross-bedded, fine- to medium-grained, calcite- and silica-cemented, quartz sandstone and quartzite with interbedded siltstone, mudstone, and pebble conglomerate, which are overlain in northwestern Lincoln County by olive, gray, and red, bioclastic limestone and subordinate shale. Estimated strength ranges from moderate to very high, with lowest strength in shale intervals and highest strength in quartzite intervals. Bedding ranges from laminated to very thickly spaced. Depending on the type and degree of cement, sandstone ranges from slightly friable to resistant. Variations in texture and lithology give the geologic unit a characteristic slope, ledge, and cliff appearance.

5.46 Joana Limestone (Mj)

The Mississippian Joana Limestone, which crops out in the Golden Gate, Seaman, and North Pahroc Ranges, consists mostly of medium gray, dark gray, and bluish-gray, commonly fossiliferous, partly cherty, fine-grained and finely to coarsely crystalline limestone. Locally, shale laminae are present. Strength is estimated to be generally high to very high. Bedding ranges from laminated to very thickly spaced. Because of variations in texture and lithology, this geologic unit forms ledgy slopes and cliffs.

5.47 Mississippian and Devonian Shale and Limestone (MDs)

This geologic unit consists of the Chainman Shale, Pilot Shale, and West Range Limestone in the Golden Gate, Seaman, and North Pahroc Ranges, the Chainman Shale and Eleana Formation in the Calico Hills, and the Eleana Formation at Bare Mountain. The geologic unit consists of black, dark to medium gray, greenish- to olive-gray, brown, reddish-brown, yellowish-brown, and yellowish-orange, siltstone, mudstone, calcareous shale, argillite, and commonly cherty, commonly bioclastic to fossiliferous, generally fine-grained to finely crystalline limestone and silty limestone, with subordinate to minor, fine- to coarse-grained sandstone, chert-lithic

sandstone, quartzite, conglomerate, and bedded chert. Observed strength of interbedded shale and limestone in the Golden Gate Range was moderate to high, but the strength of conglomerate, sandstone, quartzite and thickly bedded limestone intervals generally should be high to very high. Bedding generally is laminated to thin and commonly fissile, but it can be thick to very thick in more resistant intervals. The geologic unit characteristically crops out as ledgy slopes or as low, rounded hills and swales.

5.48 Guilmette Formation (Dg)

The Devonian Guilmette Formation crops out at Shoshone Mountain and Bare Mountain on the southwest side of the NRL area and from Garden Valley to Dry Lake Valley on the northeast side. The formation consists of light to dark gray, olive- to brownish-gray, and yellowish-brown, fossiliferous, finely to coarsely crystalline dolomite, limestone, and silty limestone interbedded in the upper part of the formation with gray, tan, and white, fine- to coarse-grained quartzite and sandstone. The formation generally has medium-high to very high strength, although platy splitting limestone and dolomite have moderate strength. Bedding is thinly to thickly spaced in the upper part of the formation and mostly thinly spaced in the lower part of the formation. Fractures generally are closely to widely spaced, but they can be very closely spaced in thinly bedded carbonate intervals. The formation weathers to cliffs and ledgy slopes.

5.49 Devonian and Silurian Carbonate Rocks (DSl)

This geologic unit includes the Simonson, Sevy, and Laketown Dolomites in the Spotted Range, southeast of Yucca Mountain, and from the Reveille Range east to Dry Lake Valley. Equivalent rocks at Bare Mountain are called the Lone Mountain Dolomite and Roberts Mountain Formation. The geologic unit consists of light to dark gray, light olive-gray, tan, and dark brown, commonly fossiliferous, partly cherty, commonly brecciated, locally silty to sandy, fine-grained and finely to coarsely crystalline dolomite, with minor interbedded, fine-grained sandstone. Estimated strength is high to very high. Bedding typically is thinly to thickly spaced, but it can be indistinct where the rock has been brecciated or recrystallized. The geologic unit forms ledgy cliffs and slopes.

5.50 Ordovician Sedimentary Rocks (Os)

The Ely Springs Dolomite, Eureka Quartzite, and Pogonip Group crop out in the Spotted Range and Bare Mountain areas, and from the Kawich Range east to the Black Canyon and Burnt

Springs Ranges. Equivalent rocks in the vicinity of the Goldfield Hills are assigned to the Palmetto Formation. The geologic unit consists of light to dark gray, bluish-gray, olive-gray, black, and brown, fossiliferous, partly cherty, partly nodular, commonly silty, locally shaly to sandy, fine-grained and finely to coarsely crystalline dolomite and limestone; white, light brown, and varicolored, commonly cross-bedded, fine to medium-grained quartzite and quartz sandstone; and generally subordinate, varicolored, fissile siltstone, calcareous siltstone, claystone, and chert. Strength is estimated to be moderate to very high, decreasing in shaly intervals and increasing in quartzite and cherty carbonate intervals. Bedding is laminated to very thickly spaced. Laminated to very thinly bedded rocks tend to split into flaggy pieces. The Ely Springs Dolomite and Eureka Quartzite mostly form cliffs and ledges, whereas the Pogonip Group forms cliffs, ledges, slopes, and swales. The Palmetto Formation is estimated to weather mostly to ledgy slopes and swales.

5.51 Upper Cambrian Sedimentary Rocks (Cus)

This geologic unit, which includes the Bonanza King, Nopah, and Highland Peak Formations; the Lyndon Limestone, the Dunderberg and Pioche Shales; and several other formations listed in Table 3, has widespread exposure throughout the NRL area. The geologic unit consists of light to dark gray, orange, and tan, partly cherty, oolitic, or silty, locally stromatolitic or sandy, fine-grained and finely to coarsely crystalline dolomite and limestone, and green, gray, pale red, pale purple, brown, and light yellow-brown, locally micaceous, siltstone, shale, and argillite, with scattered thin beds of sandstone and quartzite. Strength is estimated to be moderate to very high, with lowest strength in shale and siltstone intervals and highest strength in thickly bedded carbonate rocks and quartzite. Shale and siltstone typically are laminated to thinly bedded and fissile. Carbonate rocks are laminated to very thickly or indistinctly bedded. Laminated to very thinly spaced carbonate rocks tend to split into flaggy pieces. Although massive appearing, thickly bedded carbonate rocks can have closely to medium spaced fractures and be locally brecciated. Shale and siltstone form slopes and valleys, whereas carbonate rocks form cliffs, ledges, and ledgy slopes.

5.52 Lower Cambrian and Late Proterozoic Sedimentary Rocks (CZs)

This geologic unit has good exposure from the Spotted Range and Bare Mountain to the Goldfield Hills, on the west side of the NRL area, and in the Black Canyon and Chief Ranges in the northeast part. Included within the geologic unit are the Prospect Mountain, Zabriskie, and

Stirling Quartzites; the Wood Canyon and Johnnie Formations; and other formations listed in Table 3. The geologic unit consists of white, pink, red, purple, green, gray, yellowish-gray, brown, light yellowish-brown, and orange, commonly cross-bedded, arkosic to quartzose, partly micaceous, silty, or gravelly, locally calcareous, fine- to coarse-grained quartzite and sandstone, with minor conglomerate; partly micaceous, locally sandy or calcareous siltstone and shale; and subordinate, locally sandy, oolitic, or algal, fine-grained to coarsely crystalline dolomite and limestone. Toward Death Valley and in contact with intrusive rocks, the rocks could be metamorphosed to phyllite, schist, hornfels, and marble. Estimated strength is moderate to very high, with lowest strength in siltstone and shale intervals and highest strength in quartzite, marble, and thicker-bedded limestone and dolomite intervals. Bedding is laminated to thickly (or indistinctly) spaced. Quartzite and sandstone tend to form cliffs, ridges, and ledges; carbonate rocks are moderately resistant; and siltstone and shale tend to be fissile and form slopes and valleys.

6.0 CHARACTERIZATION OF SOILS WITHIN THE CORRIDOR

Soil comprises the surficial material over approximately two-thirds to three-quarters of the NRL. Soils consist of unconsolidated alluvium, colluvium, and highly weathered bedrock. Some poorly indurated bedrock units such as the Tertiary Lake bed deposits (Tl) exhibit characteristics more like soil than rock in some locales.

Descriptions and area limits of soil deposits were initially determined based on the locations of unconsolidated Quaternary and Tertiary sediments shown on geologic maps obtained during the literature search. During the field reconnaissance, soils within each geologic unit were visually classified in accordance with the Unified Soil Classification System (USCS), as described in American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) D 2487, Standard Procedure for Classification of Soils for Engineering Purposes (USCS). A field reference sheet for soil classification is included in Appendix I. Soil classifications are shown in Table 3 for the geologic units consisting primarily of soil deposits.

Soil properties within the same geologic unit would vary depending on the location within the geologic unit and other factors. Therefore, classifications at a few easily accessible locations would not necessarily be representative of soil conditions throughout the corridor as it traverses the unit. To map soil deposits in greater detail, GIS soil survey map units were overlain onto the

NRL alignment maps. The alignment stations at contacts between different soil map units were determined and listed in a table. After tabulating station intervals and the corresponding soil map units, soil properties associated with each unit were downloaded from the Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) Soil Survey Geographic Database (SSURGO) and added to the table. The resulting summary of soil survey data along the NRL is presented in Table 4.

7.0 GEOLOGIC HAZARDS

Several types of geologic hazards occur throughout the corridor that could impact route selection, design, construction, and operation. These hazards are discussed in general terms in the following sections. Typical mitigation methods are also discussed. Specific hazards that were identified within each geomorphic segment during the geologic reconnaissance effort are listed in Table 6.

7.1 Rock Slope Hazards

Rock slope hazards could occur throughout the NRL depending on the geologic conditions within each segment, orientation of the rail alignment and cut slopes relative to geologic structure, and the distance from the alignment to existing rock or constructed slopes. Because of the steep and rugged terrain through which the corridor extends, rock slope hazards would likely be a significant geologic hazard affecting the alignment through the corridor. Like landslides, rock slope failures occur when the driving forces (gravity) exceed the resisting forces (friction and cohesion).

Rock slope failures can result from a wide range of mechanisms, such as circular failures, structurally controlled failures (i.e., plane shear, wedge, and toppling), buckling, key block, and differential erosion, among others. Rock slope failures typically occur where rock discontinuities, including joints, bedding and foliation, are adversely oriented with respect to the natural or constructed slope face. Slope stability could be further reduced by natural processes of weathering (freezing and thawing, precipitation, vegetation, and erosion by humans and animals), which contributes to the mechanical breakdown of the rock mass within the rock matrix and along the discontinuities. Groundwater seepage, earthquake-induced ground shaking, and construction vibrations further reduce rock slope stability.

Mitigation of rock fall hazards could be accomplished using one or, more likely, a combination of mitigation measures, loosely defined as stabilization, protection, and instrumentation. Generally, stabilization measures reduce the driving forces or increase the resisting forces. Typically this includes either removing the potential rockfall hazard by hand, mechanical or blast scaling, or controlled blasting, or by providing external support to the rock slope using rock bolts/dowels, shotcrete, retaining walls and buttresses, cable lashing, or other methods.

In some situations, implementation of stabilization methods is not appropriate because of cost, accessibility, environmental constraints, or other factors. Consequently, protection measures can be considered that do not improve the stability of the rock slope, but provide measures that reduce the hazard to railroads. Protection measures include relocation of the railroad away from the hazard (increased ditch widths/depths), draped mesh barriers, diversion berms, mid-slope benches, catchment fences, rock sheds, and tunnels.

Railroads have for a number of years employed instrumentation to alert approaching trains to rockfall events. Typically, the instrumentation system consists of a multi-wire slide fence of varying heights and configurations. When a falling rock breaks a wire in the slide fence, it results in a signal indication that alerts approaching trains. Often slide fences are used where neither stabilization nor protection methods are provided. However, there are numerous situations where slide fences augment the stabilization and protection measures described above.

7.2 Earthquake Hazards

Earthquake hazards in the project area include ground shaking, fault rupture and displacement, and liquefaction and lateral spreading. Seismic activity could also initiate rockfalls and landslides as described above. Ground shaking of sufficient intensity could conceivably cause a train derailment. Ground fault rupture could have a significant impact to the railway alignment, and displacement of tens of feet is possible along numerous faults. Seismic activity could also induce liquefaction and lateral spreading of the subsurface soils, which could potentially impact the alignment.

Mitigation of earthquake-related hazards would likely consist of avoidance, warning, and adequate infrastructure design and construction. Avoidance of active faults would reduce the hazard of fault rupture impacts to the tracks; however, because of the potential number of faults and their uncertain return periods, complete avoidance is probably not feasible. Earthquake

warning could include the installation of seismometers to supplement seismographs already installed in the vicinity of the NRL. The operating plan for the railroad should include procedures to inspect the railroad prior to continuing train operation following significant earthquakes to locate and correct any problems with the track structure. Structures (such as bridges and retaining walls) should be designed to American Railway Engineering and Maintenance-of-Way Association (AREMA) seismic standards, as discussed in the G-DCM.

7.3 Surface Fissures

Surface fissures are naturally occurring cracks in the ground that range in size from about 90 feet to several miles long and up to 15 feet wide (Swadley, 1995). Fissures are widest near the ground surface and narrow quickly at a depth of 9 to 15 feet, making measurement of total depth difficult. The large amount of sediment that is accommodated in the subsurface part of the fracture suggests that the total depth could be considerable (Swadley, 1995). Fissures develop from erosion of material by water into existing cracks in the ground. Subsurface piping of material into a crack eventually leads to collapse of the roof. The fissures enlarge as water runoff erodes material into the crack from the edges of the fissure. Fissures eventually become inactive when the cracks fill up with material. Surface fissures have been observed in the Quaternary deposits in Dry Lake Valley.

Mitigation of surface fissures would consist of avoidance or design of remedial measures to repair existing fissures that would impact the alignment. Fissures that are identified prior to construction could be filled with appropriate backfill material. Existing fissures could be instrumented to provide warning if they become active in such a way that might impact the tracks. Subsurface explorations in areas that have a history of surface fissures could help identify fissures that have not opened to the ground surface or that could become active in the future.

7.4 Surface Erosion

Surface erosion hazards along the alignment are primarily those associated with water flowing overland and within existing channels. Flash floods can cause substantial erosion and scour of the loose sediments commonly found in the stream and river channels and in their banks within the project area. Deep channel scour can expose bridge piers and reduce their resistance to loads. Floods across alluvial fans can cause channel avulsions, resulting in floodwaters and debris diverted away from bridges or culverts, and instead, passing over and depositing debris on the

railway. Floods, as well as lesser channel flow events, can also cause bank erosion that allows the channel to migrate toward the railway over a period of time such that eventually, the railway can be undermined.

Avoidance again would be the primary method to reduce risk associated with this hazard; however, this would not always be feasible. Bridges and culverts should be designed and constructed for specific design events, including potential scour. River banks could be armored with rock to resist erosion. Structures, such as barbs or groins, could also be built to redirect river or stream flow away from the track structure. Channels on alluvial fans could be monitored to assess their trends and potential future behavior so that preventive measures could be planned and implemented. Dikes could be constructed and/or new channels excavated in an attempt to channelize and contain streamflow on these fans. Detection systems for high water, track displacement, movement of the embankment, or loss of embankment materials could be used in conjunction with or in place of these mitigation methods. Erosion control measures are discussed further in Section 8.5.

7.5 Mined Land Subsidence

Collapse of ground overlying mine works is a potential hazard at localized areas along the NRL. Depending on the size and depth of the mine and the engineering geology of the overlying rock, ground collapse could be significant. With time, support structures in abandoned mines deteriorate, and rock masses weather and continue to open along discontinuities so that eventually, mine roofs and walls collapse. If the mines are relatively deep, the overlying rock could bridge the collapse. However, if the mine is relatively shallow or the overlying rock is weak, the collapse could progress to the ground surface. Ground collapse beneath the track structure could cause significant damage to track infrastructure and adversely impact train operations.

Avoidance of active and abandoned mining areas is the primary measure to mitigate the risk of mine collapse. The alignment should be assessed for known underground mine sites. Where these sites cannot be avoided, the mined ground should be evaluated for evidence of past instability and potential for future collapse. This would include an evaluation of the geology and topography. Geophysical methods could be used to evaluate the size and depth of the mine features and, in conjunction with borings, the condition of the overlying rock. Measures to reduce the potential for mine collapse could include stabilization of the mine with additional

support or backfilling all or portions of the mine with an appropriate backfill material. Generally, mine subsidence below railroad embankments and fills could be accommodated by placement of additional fill, allowing restoration of track geometry with relatively low impacts to train operations. However, mine subsidence that could impact structures should be carefully assessed and structures should be appropriately designed and positioned to reduce the associated risks. In some cases, this might require that the railroad alignment be relocated to an alternative alignment.

7.6 Debris Flows

Debris flows, which for the purposes of this report include debris torrents, mud flows, and debris avalanches, are rapidly moving mixtures of water, soil, rock, and sometimes organic material. A debris flow is typically initiated during an intense precipitation event and develops when a shallow landslide deposits into and temporarily dams a stream channel. After the dam fails, the saturated debris can travel downslope for several miles within a steep, confined channel. Debris flows lose energy and begin to deposit material when the stream gradient flattens or when the channel widens.

Many areas of debris flow and alluvial fan deposition were observed within the NRL, and debris flows could be a significant hazard during operation of the railroad. Avoidance of debris flow hazards is not feasible; therefore, measures to reduce the impacts from debris flows should be developed. Channels in which debris flows could occur and impact the railway should be identified. Approximate sizes of debris flows could be estimated given the size of the drainage basin, channel characteristics, types of material involved, and evidence of past debris flow events. Structural measures, such as appropriately sized bridges, culverts, and overgrade debris flow chutes, could be constructed so that a given design debris flow could pass the tracks with no significant impacts. Alternatively, measures could be constructed to trap and retain the debris prior to its reaching the tracks. These measures could include debris dams, debris basins, debris racks, and flexible barriers. Measures to both trap debris and to allow debris to pass the railway could be constructed where the estimated debris flow volumes are too large for a single type of measure. Instrumentation and warning systems could be installed to alert approaching trains of debris flows that have impacted the railway.

7.7 Soil Collapse

Soil collapse, also known as hydrocollapse or hydroconsolidation, can occur in certain arid soils upon wetting. The phenomenon is discussed in more detail in the G-DCM. Soils in arid regions are often rapidly deposited during debris flows on alluvial fans. These soils have a weakly cemented soil structure that breaks down upon an increase in moisture content. The effects of soil collapse are a decrease in volume and loss of shear strength. Soils deposited by wind also tend to have a high potential for collapse. Some engineered fills can also collapse if compacted to a low density and dry of optimum moisture content. Increasing moisture content can occur as a result of rising groundwater table or cut–and-fill construction.

The data in Table 4 provides an indication of soils that can exhibit volume changes upon fluctuations in moisture content. Correlation to index properties would need to be conducted to determine the potential for a soil unit to collapse, to exhibit high swell pressures due to an increase in volume upon wetting, and other moisture sensitivities.

Potential methods of soil improvement to mitigate soil collapse are presented in the G-DCM.

7.8 Soft Soil (Low Bearing Capacity)

In some areas, new embankment construction could cross soft, wet, or otherwise unsuitable soils. Poor subgrade conditions would most likely be encountered in Quaternary and Tertiary lakebed deposits (Tl), localized channel alluvium (Qc), young alluvium (Qay and Qayf), and Playa Deposits (Qp).

Where fill is to be placed in these areas for embankment construction, subgrade treatment or stabilization could be required. The appropriate method could include over-excavation of the soft soils and replacement with compacted fill, treatment with a chemical additive, or bridging with a rock fill and/or geosynthetic, such as geogrid or geocell. Preloading of the subgrade can also be used to increase soil strength and decrease settlement of soft soils.

8.0 PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION CONSIDERATIONS

The following text presents preliminary engineering and construction considerations for earthwork, drainage, erosion protection, and geotechnical design for structures. This discussion is intended to supplement the information provided in the G-DCM. Preliminary

recommendations specific to each alignment segment are presented in Table 6. In addition, general recommendations for preliminary cut slopes and embankment fill slopes introduced in Table 6 were used to develop the preliminary slope recommendations and excavation methods by station interval presented in Table 7.

At this time, the locations and characteristics of cuts, fills, and structures are not known with certainty. General references to cut-and-fill heights, bridge lengths, and other engineering features are based on plan and profile drawings prepared by NRP. Differences between engineering features shown on these drawings (Nevada Rail Partners, 2005b) and actual conditions could exist. The engineering considerations presented in Tables 6 and 7 are based on generalized or average conditions within a geomorphic segment. Therefore, recommended cut–and-fill slope angles presented in Tables 6 and 7 are preliminary; cut and fill slopes could be steeper or flatter than indicated as design of the NRL progresses.

8.1 Ballast and Subballast

Preliminary recommendations for ballast and subballast are discussed in detail in the Preliminary Construction Aggregate Report included in Appendix C.

8.2 Excavations

Excavations would be required to construct drainage ditches, to remove unsuitable soils in fill placement areas, and to construct cuts. Most soils encountered along the alignment could likely be excavated using conventional earthmoving equipment such as dozers, scrapers, graders, rubber-tired backhoes, and track-mounted excavators. Excavation of caliche, older cemented alluvium, and highly weathered rock could require the use of rippers attached to conventional equipment. Unweathered rock encountered along much of the alignment would likely require drilling and blasting. Excavation methods required for the geologic units encountered along the NRL are identified in Tables 6 and 7.

8.3 Cut Slopes

Preliminary cut-slope recommendations are presented in Tables 6 and 7. The recommendations were developed from a combination of field observations of the stability of existing cut slopes and our experience with similar materials. Actual cut-slope angles excavated during construction could vary significantly depending on the engineering properties of the soil and rock contained within the cut. Appropriate cut-slope angles in rock would depend on the

orientation of the discontinuities with respect to the track alignment, and the engineering characteristics of the discontinuities such as length, spacing, roughness, infilling/coating, and groundwater conditions. In general, the use of mid-slope benches is not recommended. They tend to accumulate water and are a common cause of shallow slope failure in soil slopes. They can sometimes serve as launching features, adding to the run-out of falling rocks in rock slopes. However, mid-slope benches, slope flattening, or stabilization/protection methods discussed in Section 7.0 could be necessary to improve the stability and reduce the rockfall hazard of cut slopes in some areas.

8.4 Embankments

Embankment fills along the corridor would be constructed of both soil and rock, depending on the proximity of suitable material source. Embankment slope angles and fill base widths would depend on the material used to construct the fills and the properties of the subgrade materials. Foundation preparation and compaction of the fill material would be critical to control the internal settlement of the embankment. In soft subgrade areas, ground improvement, geotextiles, prefabricated vertical (PV) drains, preloading, staged construction, or other mitigation methods could be required depending on height of fill, anticipated settlement, and other factors to obtain the desired factor of safety or to limit post-construction settlement.

Three embankment slope inclinations are proposed in this level of design. For embankments constructed on coarse-grained alluvial deposits or fresh to moderately altered/weathered rock, 2H:1V cut slopes are proposed. Flatter embankment slopes (3H:1V and 4H:1V) are proposed for fine-grained soil deposits and highly to completely altered volcanic rocks composed of silt and clay material. Within the NRL, thick sequences of silt and clay deposits are found in Playa deposits (Qp), younger fine-grained alluvium (Qayf), Tertiary Lake Bed (Tl) deposits, and Miocene lava flows (Ta_3). Generally, 2H:1V embankment slopes are recommended for Quaternary Channel (Qc) deposits; however, flatter 3H:1V slopes are recommended in areas where this deposit is finer grained. Although nearly any of the soil deposits could be a suitable sources of material for embankment fill, the fine-grained deposits (Qayf, Qc, Qp, and Tl) could require moisture conditioning prior to placement in the fills. Highly to completely altered Ta_3 deposits in the Goldfield area are likely not suitable as embankment fill. Embankment fills constructed of shot rock over coarse-grained soil or rock subgrade could likely be constructed at 1.5H:1V. However, there is insufficient information to precisely locate possible shot-rock embankments, so embankment slopes steeper than 2H:1V are not shown in Tables 6 or 7.

8.4.1 Subgrade Preparation

We recommend the following procedure for subgrade preparation in fill areas:

- Establish erosion-control barriers as necessary.
- Strip vegetation, organics, and topsoil to expose the subsoil.
- Stockpile topsoil for later placement over areas to be seeded.
- A geotechnical professional should evaluate the subsoil to determine suitability, need for stabilization, and/or over-excavation depth and limits.
- Construct site drainage-control features such as ditches or drains in wet areas.
- Slope or crown the subgrade surface to shed water.
- Proof-compact the subgrade surface to at least 95 percent of the maximum dry density.

8.4.2 Subgrade Stabilization

Soft, weak, and moisture-sensitive soils are present along portions of the alignment and most likely would be encountered in Qayf, Qp, Qc, and Tl deposits. Where fill is to be placed in these areas for embankment construction, subgrade treatment or stabilization could be required. The appropriate method could include over-excavation of the soft soils and replacement with appropriate compacted fill, treatment with a chemical additive, or bridging with a rock fill and/or geosynthetic, such as a geogrid or geocell.

Fills constructed on soft subgrade or where soft soils are present at a depth less than or equivalent to the height of the proposed fill would likely require slopes of 3H:1V or flatter. Flatter slopes would distribute the stresses in the underlying soft soils, reducing settlement and providing an improved factor of safety for global stability compared with embankments with steeper slopes. The minimum factor of safety for global stability of fills on soft subgrades should be 1.5.

8.4.3 Sources of Fill Material

Much of the soil along the alignment could be used as fill for embankment construction. Fine-grained soil, typically associated with Qayf, Qc, Qp, and Tl deposits, might be suitable as fill with appropriate handling and moisture conditioning. Topsoil and organic soils and highly to completely altered bedrock (Ta_3 near Goldfield) should not be used as fill. These materials should be stockpiled and then spread over finish-grade areas. No snow or ice should be

incorporated into fill soils. Field test sections should be constructed using various fill materials to determine appropriate lift thickness and compactive effort to obtain the required compaction. Upon completion of subgrade preparation, fill should be placed and compacted up to the appropriate track roadbed elevation. All fill should be placed in layers and compacted to a dense and unyielding condition. In general, the thickness of fill layers before compaction should not exceed 12 inches for heavy compaction equipment. Where hand-operated compaction equipment would be used, such as backfill adjacent to culverts, the layer thickness should not exceed 6 inches. We recommend that each layer of fill be compacted to a dry density that is at least 95 percent of the maximum dry density, as determined by ASTM D 1557. All fill placement and compaction should be monitored and tested by an experienced geotechnical professional.

Fill soils encountered along the alignment could require wetting or aerating to adjust moisture contents to levels suitable for compaction.

8.5 Drainage and Erosion Protection

The alignment crosses numerous alluvial fans with complex drainage patterns. Careful design of site drainage and erosion protection would help prevent washouts and damage to the track structure during rainfall events. Groundwater could impact design and construction of cuts, fills, and other structures. Subsurface drainage improvements and dewatering could be required. In addition to erosion caused by water, the loose, fine-grained soils present across most of the alignment are subject to erosion by wind. Measures would be necessary to maintain drainage and protect the soils from water and wind erosion both during and after construction.

Typically, sandy soils on steep slopes subject to high-velocity water flow or non-vegetated areas are susceptible to erosion. The arid climate of the NRL area does not normally experience prolonged rainfall events. When rainfall does occur, it is typically brief, but can be very intense. During periods of heavy rainfall, the erodible soils are deposited into the normally dry washes. Water could also carry a significant amount of sediment and debris in the wash channels, resulting in scour along the banks and at bridge crossings.

8.5.1 Surface Drainage

Surface ditches, berms, culverts, and grading in conjunction with preparing the base of cuts and the final layer of fill should have a minimum 2 percent slope to promote drainage away

from the track. The maximum grade of ditches would be determined by the erosion susceptibility of the material that lines the ditch. Periodic inspection and maintenance of ditches and culverts would likely be required following significant rainfall events.

8.5.2 Subsurface Drainage

Trench drains, interceptor drains, horizontal drains, and drainage galleries could be suitable means for providing subsurface drainage depending on the depth to the water. For relatively shallow groundwater control, trench drains are commonly used to promote drainage away from the roadbed and to improve the stability of landslides driven by groundwater. Interceptor drains are used to reduce the flow of groundwater toward the roadbed below the surface, and are also best suited for shallow groundwater control. Horizontal drains can be used where relatively steep slopes are adjacent to the roadbed, the depth to groundwater is relatively deep (on the order of 25 feet deep or deeper) but still needs to be controlled, and the use of trench drains is not practical. Drainage galleries could be appropriate for providing groundwater control for long cuts. Although no areas were specifically identified during our fieldwork that would require subsurface drainage, further evaluations could be necessary during subsequent design phases.

8.5.3 River and Streambank Erosion

Riverbanks and drainages adjacent to the railroad could be armored with rock to resist erosion. Structures, such as barbs or groins, could also be built to redirect flow away from the track structure. Channels on alluvial fans could be monitored to assess their trends and potential future behavior so that preventive measures could be planned and implemented. Dikes could be constructed and/or new channels excavated in an attempt to channelize and contain streamflow on these fans. Established washes parallel the NRL in several areas. These areas are identified on Table 6. Riprap protection or similar mitigation measures would likely be required to protect the embankment toe within these areas. During final design, erosion protection of embankment slopes needs to be evaluated for specific sites.

8.5.4 Erosion at Culverts

The inlets and outlets of culverts should be armored to protect the embankment from scour. Culvert outlets should be adequately armored or tight-lined to an appropriate discharge area from the embankment toe.

8.5.5 Erosion of Cut–and-Fill Slopes

Erosion control measures such as interceptor ditches, erosion control blankets, terracing, selective plantings, or desert armor could be required for some slopes depending on slope height, material type, and other factors. Slopes in erosion-susceptible areas can be armored with angular rock fragments, such as 6- to 12-inch quarry spalls.

8.5.6 Erosion by Wind

Loose, fine-grained soils present across much of the NRL are subject to erosion by wind. Typically, a wind speed greater than 12 miles per hour is sufficient to lift and carry sand (U.S. Department of Agriculture [USDA], 1978). The impacts from blowing sand consist of sand dune migration and fugitive dust. Sand dunes are natural features and consist of migrating mounds of blowing sand. There is also the potential that dunes that are stable at present could be reactivated by natural causes or construction-induced changes. Migrating sand dunes could bury the track. Other problems associated with blowing sand and dust include rail-seat abrasion, loosening of track fasteners, excessive rail wear, and fouled ballast. Typical measures used to stabilize dunes and control fugitive dust include the following:

- Change of alignment to avoid dune areas
- Barriers (fences, concrete barriers, etc.)
- Desert pavement (gravel placed over the erodible surface soil)
- Application of adhesives and soil stabilizers
- Vegetation

In addition, water could be used to temporarily control dust during construction activities. Published U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) guidelines (EPA, 1999) provide a summary of temporary and permanent measures for controlling dust.

8.6 Structures

Preliminary recommendations pertaining to proposed structures are included in Table 6.

8.6.1 Bridges

Where competent bedrock is present at a shallow depth and when the foundations are outside the channel floodplain, bridges could be supported on shallow foundations. However, given the aggressive scour conditions of some of the washes, it is likely that most of the bridge structures would be supported on a deep foundation system, such as driven piles or drilled shafts.

However, because many of the bridges would cross existing stream channels and washes where the subsurface soil would contain cobbles and boulders, drilled shaft foundations would likely be the preferred alternative. Although sufficient axial and lateral capacities could be achieved using driven piles in some instances, the potential for encountering cobbles and boulders would significantly complicate the installation of driven foundation elements.

Although many factors influence drilled shaft foundation design that are not known at this time (i.e., height of bridge, dead and live load factors, seismic loads, scour depth, and engineering properties of the subsurface material), drilled shaft diameters would likely range from 3 to 5 feet.

8.6.2 Buildings

Building type, size, and locations are presently unknown. We assume that most of the buildings would be single or two-story structures, and that such buildings could be founded on shallow foundations or thickened (at edges) slab foundations.

Recommendations for allowable bearing pressures would be based on soil type and density. Minimum depth of footing is determined by maximum depth of frost penetration. Estimates of differential settlements would be based on footing subgrade conditions.

Floors would typically be constructed as slab-on-grade. Placement of compacted structural fill could be required to establish a prepared surface for the slab. Under-slab and perimeter drainage recommendations would be based on specific-site conditions.

8.6.3 Retaining Walls

A number of options are available for constructing retaining walls along the project alignment. Factors affecting the selection of the most appropriate wall type would include the available right-of-way, excavation slopes, performance considerations, cost, and aesthetics. An example of wall performance would be its flexibility or ability to accommodate differential settlements. In addition, selection of an appropriate wall type could be affected by the geometry of the retained slope and the underlying soil conditions.

The following section provides a brief discussion of various standard wall types, which could be considered for use along the project alignment for retaining cut–and-fill slopes. As mentioned previously, subsurface conditions, aesthetics, right-of-way (ROW) considerations and restrictions, and cost would be the primary factors dictating the wall type(s) that would

ultimately be selected. Retaining wall systems could be divided into several categories, which are listed below:

- Rigid Gravity and Semi-gravity Walls
  - Cast-in-place and Precast Concrete Gravity Wall
  - Cast-in-place Concrete Cantilevered Wall
- Prefabricated Modular Gravity Walls
  - Crib Wall
  - Bin Wall
  - Gabion Wall
  - Lock-block/Ecology Block Wall
- Mechanically Stabilized Earth Walls (MSEW)
  - Segmental Precast Facing
  - Modular Block Facing
  - Geotextile/Geogrid/Welded Wire Facing
- Reinforced Soil Slopes (RSS)
- Non-gravity Cantilevered and Anchored Walls
  - Sheetpile Wall
  - Soldier Pile and Lagging Wall
  - Slurry Wall
  - Tangent Pile and Secant Pile Wall
- In Situ Reinforced Wall
  - Soil-nailed Wall

8.6.3.1 Rigid Gravity and Semi-gravity Walls

Concrete gravity and cantilever retaining walls are commonly used for walls with heights up to 30 feet. These types of wall generally provide a high level of performance with minimal lateral wall movement. The concrete retaining walls are not very flexible and cannot tolerate significant differential settlements without damage, compared with MSEW systems. Consequently, this type of wall needs to be constructed on stable foundation soils. Concrete gravity walls are commonly used for retained fills, bridge abutments, and slope stabilization.

8.6.3.2 Prefabricated Modular Gravity Walls

Prefabricated modular gravity walls are externally stabilized fill walls that are constructed with interlocking reinforced or unreinforced concrete elements, timber, steel bins, or wire baskets that are fabricated on site and filled with select backfill material.

Concrete crib walls are manufactured by Criblock and timber crib walls by Permacrib. These crib walls are constructed using timber or concrete elements that are stacked parallel and perpendicular to the length of the wall to form an open bin. Assembly is analogous to constructing a log cabin in that the concrete and timber elements are stacked and interlocked to form rectangular or square bins. Wall construction is completed by filling the space within the crib framework with rock or compacted structural fill. Depending on the height of the wall, lateral pressure, bearing capacity, and other factors, multiple bins can be assembled in various configurations to increase the footprint of the wall.

A bin wall is similar to a crib wall except that the bins are typically fully enclosed and the backfill material is not exposed. Depending on the height of the wall, lateral pressure, bearing capacity, and other factors, multiple bins can be constructed to increase the footprint of the wall.

Gabion walls are compartmentalized rectangular containers (baskets) made of galvanized steel wire mesh, which are filled with stone. Similar to other prefabricated modular gravity wall systems, gabion baskets could be arranged and wired together to achieve a stable configuration of a desired wall height.

Lock-block and ecology block walls are stacked concrete units that create a gravity wall structure. Typically, the blocks are cast using return concrete at a ready-mix facility. Blocks are typically 2.0 to 2.5 feet high and wide and 4 to 6 feet long. Like other prefabricated modular gravity wall systems the concrete blocks can be arranged in various configurations to accommodate wall heights up to about 30 feet. However, wall heights above 12 to 15 feet are generally not practical.

8.6.3.3 Mechanically Stabilized Earth Walls (MSEW)

Mechanically Stabilized Earth Wall (MSEW) systems are typically flexible, and can tolerate reasonable settlements if properly installed. Examples of these structures are outlined in the following paragraphs.

There are a variety of segmental, precast facing, MSEW systems. Typically, these systems use metal strips, bars, geosynthetic grids, or textile reinforcement that are connected to precast concrete or prefabricated metal facing systems to form a reinforced soil mass. The reinforcement is installed in layers within the soil mass. The length of the reinforcing elements

is typically about 70 percent of the wall height. Segmental precast facing systems are offered by Reinforced Earth, VSL Retained Earth, and Georgia Stabilized Embankment, among others.

Modular block walls consist of geogrid- or geosynthetic-reinforced fill with modular-block facing units. The geosynthetics are connected to the modular blocks with structural pins, which also serve as a shear connection between the blocks. The vertical spacing of the geosynthetic reinforcing typically varies from 1.0 to 2.5 feet. The modular units typically consist of masonry blocks that are 18 inches wide and 8 inches high. The faces of these walls are usually vertical or are constructed with a 1H:8V batter. Modular-block walls could be designed and used in applications with wall heights up to about 30 feet. Proprietary modular-block systems include Genesis, Allen, and Mesa.

Construction of MSEW systems using geotextile, geogrid, or wire facing is similar to other MSEW wall systems except that the wall facing is constructed by wrapping each layer of reinforcement around the overlying layer of backfill and then re-embedding the free end into the backfill. Permanent facings could consist of shotcrete, or could simply be left as rock or gravel-filled galvanized wire baskets. Tilt-up panels, or cast-in-place concrete facings could also be used with fasteners that are incorporated into the reinforced soil mass.

8.6.3.4 Reinforced Soil Slopes (RSS)

A RSS consists of embedding geosynthetics in spaced layers at predetermined lengths as the embankment is constructed. The geosynthetics generally extend horizontally behind the face of the slope equal to 70 percent of the embankment height. When construction slopes are steeper than about 45 degrees, the geosynthetics are wrapped around the face of the slope. Erosion protection is placed over the finished slope face and anchored into place.

8.6.3.5 Non-gravity Cantilevered and Anchored Walls

Non-gravity cantilevered and anchored walls are particularly well suited for retaining cuts, supporting bridge abutments, stabilizing landslides, and providing excavation support. Certain wall types within this category (i.e., soldier pile and sheetpile walls) could also be used in retained fill applications such as sidehill railroad embankments. Common types of non-gravity cantilevered and anchored walls are discussed below.

Sheetpile walls are particularly suited for retained-cut applications and consist of interlocking steel sections that are driven, vibrated, or pushed into the soil to create the wall. Sheetpile walls can either be constructed as cantilevered walls or supported with permanent tiebacks. It is usually not practical to drive sheetpiles into soil containing cobbles, boulders, very dense to hard soils, or weathered rock.

Cantilever and tied-back soldier pile wall systems are also suited to retain cuts. However, cantilever soldier pile walls could also be used to retain fill soils where the fill heights do not exceed 10 to 15 feet. This type of system would typically consist of placing a steel, wide-flanged beam into a predrilled, 24- to 30-inch-diameter hole and then backfilling the hole with structural concrete up to the base of the wall, and then using lean concrete to backfill the remainder of the hole. Soldier pile spacing typically varies between 5 and 12 feet. Pressure-treated wood lagging is typically used to provide temporary support of the retained soil of the excavation. A permanent cast-in-place or precast concrete fascia panel could then be placed over the face of the wall to provide the required architectural finish. Walls with heights of 15 feet or greater could require permanent tiebacks for additional structural support.

A slurry wall is a continuous concrete wall consisting of either steel-reinforced, cast-in-place concrete or precast panels that are constructed within an excavated trench. The trench is constructed from the ground surface and is supported for its full depth by a mineral or polymer slurry as the excavation is advanced. For cast-in-place applications, reinforcing elements consisting of reinforcing bar cages or structural steel members are positioned in the hole. Once the reinforcement is in place, the final concrete is tremmied into the hole, which displaces the slurry. A slurry wall can be either cantilevered or tied-back, depending on the height of the wall, the soil conditions, and other loading conditions.

Tangent pile walls consist of a single row of tangentially touching, reinforced concrete piles. The reinforcement can consist of reinforcing steel cages or structural steel sections centered in the drilled holes. Depending on soil and water conditions, the drilled holes can be open, slurry supported, or cased, or a combination of methods. A secant pile wall consists of alternatively drilled and overlapping reinforced and unreinforced piles. Secant pile installation commences by installing alternating unreinforced piles. After a short period of time to allow the concrete to set, a reinforced concrete pile is installed between and overlapping the previously installed piles. Tangent and secant pile walls can be either cantilevered or tied back, depending on the height of the wall, the soil conditions, and other loading conditions.

8.6.3.6 In Situ Reinforced Walls

Unlike the previous walls discussed above, which provide external support to a slope or fill, a soil-nailed wall is an in situ reinforcement system for the soil mass. Prior to making a cut excavation, the soil mass is internally reinforced by installing closely spaced, typically cement-grouted steel dowels into the soil mass. Soil between the rock dowels (nails) is supported with an initial steel-reinforced shotcrete. Commonly, a permanent facing of precast concrete panels or cast-in-place panels, or an architecturally finished final shotcrete facing, is installed over the initial facing. Soil nail walls are used for excavation support, slope stabilization, and widening under existing bridges.

9.0 CONCLUSIONS

Conceptual geotechnical conclusions and recommendations are presented in Tables 5, 6, and 7 for the common and alternative alignments of the NRL. Information presented in these tables is based on available technical literature and reports, field reconnaissance along the corridor, conceptual engineering studies, and our experience working on similar projects. Table 5 is a compilation of geologic conditions and anticipated construction activities for each alignment and geomorphic segment along the corridor. Geomorphic segments were established by grouping lengths of the corridor having similar geologic characteristics and topographic conditions. Conceptual geotechnical recommendations (i.e., cut-and-fill slope inclinations, excavatability, anticipated geologic hazards, foundation recommendations, etc.) for each segment are presented in Tables 6 and 7.

With regards to significant observations, conclusions, and recommendations for the NRL, we believe that debris flows, ephemeral channel erosion, and soft subgrade soils would pose the most concern. However, we do not believe that these geologic hazards or soft subgrade soil conditions are so adverse or widespread that a specific segment or reach within a segment should be removed from further consideration.

The majority of the soil and rock that would be encountered in excavations along the corridor would be suitable as embankment fill. However, fine-grained alluvium, landslide debris, and lakebed deposits would likely require moisture conditioning prior to use. We do not anticipate significant excavation volumes in soft subgrade soil because these materials typically occur in low-lying, potential embankment fill areas. Bedrock encountered in excavations would also

generally be suitable as fill and riprap, although the highly altered volcanic deposits in the vicinity of Goldfield would likely be unsuitable, due to their high clay content.

All excavations in rock would likely require drilling and blasting. The length of alignment requiring drilling and blasting covers about 15 percent of the corridor (common and alternative alignments). Older cemented alluvium and lakebed deposits that could require ripping cover approximately 40 percent of the corridor. The remaining 45 percent of the corridor consists of soil (i.e., alluvial, eolian, colluvial, and landslide deposits) that can be classified as common excavation and could be excavated using conventional excavation techniques and equipment.

Based on our engineering studies and field reconnaissance, we have identified no fatal flaws along any of the common or alternative alignments. During subsequent design studies, the actual siting of the track within a selected alignment would likely be based on operational considerations (i.e., grade and curvature), as well as geologic and drainage conditions. Slight alignment modifications are recommended in Table 6 for some segments. These observations are presented in the "Additional Recommendations" columns under both the Earthwork Recommendations and Structures sections. The suggested alignment modifications focus on moving the railroad away from rock outcrops to reduce the volume of rock excavation and rockfall hazard.

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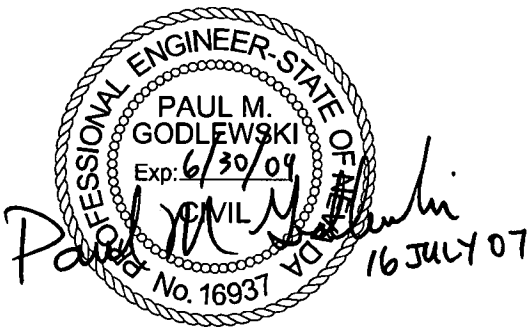

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FIELD REFERENCES—SOIL AND ROCK CLASSIFICATION

FIELD REFERENCE SOIL CLASSIFICATION

ORDER OF CLASSIFICATION TERMS

Relative density or consistency,

color,

slightly (5 to 12%),

minor constituents (12 to 50%)

MAJOR constituent (>50%),

trace constituents (0 to 5%);

moisture content;

structure, plasticity, gradation, grain shape, min., cementation, organics, odor, other;

(Geologic Name: Fill, Till, Alluvium, etc.)

USCS group symbol.

EXAMPLES

Very dense, light brown, slightly silty, sandy fine GRAVEL, trace of cobbles; moist; scattered roots; (Weathered Till) GP-GM.

Medium stiff, dark gray, silty CLAY, trace of fine sand; moist; laminated (< 2mm) with light gray silt, occasional slickensides; (Glaciolacustrine) CL.

Medium dense, dark brown, sandy SILT, trace of clay; wet; numerous organics and strong organic odor; (Marsh Deposits) ML.

Loose and soft, mottled black and green, silty SAND and clayey SILT; moist; hydrocarbon sheen and faint hydrocarbon odor; (Fill) SM/ML.

STRUCTURE

TERM	THICKNESS
Parting	0 to 1/16"
Seam	1/16 to 1/2"
Layer	> 1/2"
Lamination	< 6 mm, < 1/4"
Pocket	Irregular, < 1 foot
Varved	Alternating seams or lam.
Occasional	< 1 per foot
Frequent	≥ 1 per foot

DESCRIPTION	CRITERIA, LIST THICKNESS
Stratified	Alternating layers
Interbedded	Alternating layers > 1/2"
Laminated	Alt. layers < 6 mm thick
Fractured	Breaks easily along definite fractured planes
Slickensided	Polished, glossy, striated fractured planes
Blocky, Diced	Easily breaks into small angular lumps
Lensed	Small pockets of diff. soils
Homogenous	Same color and appearance throughout
Sheared	Disturbed texture, mix of strengths

ORGANIC CONTENT

ADJECTIVE	PERCENT BY VOLUME
Occasional	0 to 1
Scattered	1 to 10
Numerous	10 to 30
Organic	30 to 50, minor constituent
PEAT	50 to 100, MAJOR const.

Describe type and size of organic debris.

TERM	GRAIN SIZE	EXAMPLES
Boulders	> 12"	> Basketball
Cobbles	3" to 12"	Fist to basketball
Gravel-coarse	3/4" to 3"	Thumb to fist
Gravel-fine	#4 to 3/4"	Pea to thumb
Sand-coarse	#10 to #4 (5 mm)	Rock salt to peat
Sand-medium	#40 to #10 (2 mm)	Sugar to rock salt
Sand-fine	#200 to #40 (0.4 mm)	Flour to sugar
Fines	< #200 (0.08 mm)	Grains not visible

MOISTURE CONTENT

Dry	Dusty, dry to the touch
Moist	Damp but no visible water near optimum
Wet	Visible free water, saturated, over optimum

RELATIVE DENSITY OF COARSE-GRAINED (COHESIONLESS) SOILS
(Cohesionless Silt, Sand, and Gravel)

N. SPT, BLOWS/FT	RELATIVE DENSITY	FIELD TEST FOR RELATIVE DENSITY OF SAND
0 to 4	Very loose	Easily penetrated with 1/2" reinforcing rod pushed by hand
4 to 10	Loose	Easily penetrated with 1/2" reinforcing rod pushed by hand
10 to 30	Medium dense	Penetrated one foot with 1/2" reinforcing rod driven with 5-lb hammer
30 to 50	Dense	Penetrated one foot with 1/2" reinforcing rod driven with 5-lb hammer
Over 50	Very dense	Penetrated only a few inches with 1/2" reinf. rod driven with 5-lb hammer

RELATIVE CONSISTENCY OF FINE-GRAINED (COHESIVE) SOILS
(Cohesive Silt, Clayey Silt, and Clay)

N. SPT, BLOWS/FT	RELATIVE CONSISTENCY	TORVANE, tsf SHEAR STR.	POC. PEN., tsf UNCONF. STR.	MANUAL PENETRATION TEST
< 2	Very soft	< 0.13	< 0.25	Easy several inches by fist
2 to 4	Soft	0.13 to 0.25	0.25 to 0.5	Easy several inches by thumb
4 to 8	Medium stiff	0.25 to 0.5	0.5 to 1	Moderate several inches by thumb
8 to15	Stiff	0.5 to 1	1 to 2	Readily indented by thumb
15 to 30	Very stiff	1 to 2	2 to 4	Readily indented by thumbnail
Over 30	Hard	> 2	> 4	Difficulty by thumbnail

UNIFIED SOIL CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM
(From USACE Tech Memo 3-357)

MAJOR DIVISIONS			GROUP SYMBOL	TYPICAL DESCRIPTION
Coarse-Grained Soils (more than 50% retained on No. 200 sieve) [Use Dual Symbols for 5 to 12% Fines (i.e. GP-GM)]	Gravels (more than 50% of coarse fraction retained on No.4 sieve)	Clean Gravels (less than 5% fines)	GW	Well-Graded Gravels, Gravel-Sand Mixtures, Little or No Fines
			GP	Poorly-Graded Gravels, Gravel-Sand Mixtures
		Gravels with Fines (more than 12% fines)	GM	Silty Gravels, Gravel-Sand-Silt Mixtures
			GC	Clayey Gravels, Gravel-Sand-Clay Mixtures
	Sands (50% or more of coarse fraction passes the No. 4 sieve)	Clean Sands (less than 5% fines)	SW	Well-Graded Sands, Gravelly Sands, Little or No Fines
			SP	Poorly-Graded Sands, Gravelly Sands, Little or No Fines
		Sands with Fines (more than 12% fines)	SM	Silty Sands, Sand-Silt Mixtures
			SC	Clayey Sands, Sand-Clay Mixtures
Fine-Grained Soils (50% or more passes the No. 200 sieve)	Silts and Clays (liquid limit less than 50)	Inorganic	ML	Inorganic Silts and Very Fine Sands, Rock Flour, Silty or Clayey Fine Sands or Clayey Silts with Slight Plasticity
			CL	Inorganic Clays of Low to Medium Plasticity, Gravelly Clays, Sandy Clays, Silty Clays, Lean Clays
		Organic	OL	Organic Silts and Organic Silty Clays of Low Plasticity
	Silts and Clays (liquid limit 50 or more)	Inorganic	CH	Inorganic Clays of Medium to High Plasticity, Sandy Fat Clay, Gravelly Fat Clay
			MH	Inorganic Silts, Micaceous or Diatomaceous Fine Sands or Silty Soils, Elastic Silt
		Organic	OH	Organic Clays of Medium to High Plasticity, Organic Silts
Highly Organic Soils	Primarily organic matter, dark in color, and organic odor		PT	Peat, Humus, Swamp Soils with High Organic Content (See D 4427-92)

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GRADATION	DESCRIPTION	EXAMPLES
Well-graded	Full range and even distribution of grain sizes present	Silty, sandy GRAVEL
Poorly-graded	Narrow range of grain sizes present	Fine to medium SAND, trace of silt
Uniformly -graded	Consists predominantly of one grain size	Fine SAND
Gap-graded	Within the range of grain sizes present, one or more sizes are missing	Silty, medium to coarse SAND

FIELD REFERENCE SOIL CLASSIFICATION

Dual Symbols

(symbols separated by a hyphen, i.e., SP-SM, slightly silty fine SAND) are used for soils with between 5% and 12% fines or when the liquid limit and plasticity index values plot in the CL-ML area of the plasticity chart.

Borderline Symbols

(symbols separated by a slash, i.e., CL/ML, silty CLAY/clayey SILT; GW/SW, sandy GRAVEL/gravelly SAND) indicate that the soil may fall into one of two possible basic groups.

ASTM D 2488 Tables

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TABLE 8 Criteria for Describing Dry Strength

DESCRIPTION	CRITERIA
None	The dry specimen crumbles into powder with mere pressure of handling.
Low	The dry specimen crumbles into powder with some finger pressure.
Medium	The dry specimen breaks into pieces or crumbles with considerable finger pressure.
High	The dry specimen cannot be broken with finger pressure. Specimen will break into pieces between thumb and a hard surface.
Very High	The dry specimen cannot be broken between the thumb and a hard surface.

TABLE 9 Criteria for Describing Dilatancy

DESCRIPTION	CRITERIA
None	No visible change in the specimen.
Slow	Water appears slowly on the surface of the specimen during shaking and does not disappear or disappears slowly upon squeezing.
Rapid	Water appears quickly on the surface of the specimen during shaking and disappears quickly upon squeezing.

TABLE 10 Criteria for Describing Toughness

DESCRIPTION	CRITERIA
Low	Only slight pressure is required to roll the thread near the plastic limit. The thread and the lump are weak and soft.
Medium	Medium pressure is required to roll the thread to near the plastic limit. The thread and the lump have medium stiffness.
High	Considerable pressure is required to roll the thread to near the plastic limit. The thread and the lump have very high stiffness.

TABLE 11 Criteria for Describing Plasticity

DESCRIPTION	CRITERIA
Nonplastic	A 1/8-in. (3mm) thread cannot be rolled at any water content.
Low	The thread can barely be rolled and the lump cannot be formed when drier than the plastic limit.
Medium	The thread is easy to roll and not much time is required to reach the plastic limit. The thread cannot be rerolled after reaching the plastic limit. The lump crumbles when drier than the plastic limit.
High	It takes considerable time rolling and kneading to reach the plastic limit. The thread can be rerolled several times after reaching the plastic limit. The lump can be formed without crumbling when drier than the plastic limit.

TABLE 1 Criteria for Describing Angularity of Coarse-Grained Particles

DESCRIPTION	CRITERIA
Angular	Particles have sharp edges and relatively plane sides with unpolished surfaces.
Subangular	Particles are similar to angular description but have rounded edges.
Subrounded	Particles have nearly plane sides but have well-rounded corners and edges.
Rounded	Particles have smoothly curved sides and no edges.

TABLE 2 Criteria for Describing Particle Shape

DESCRIPTION	CRITERIA
The particle shape shall be described as follows where length, width, and thickness refer to the greatest, intermediate, and least dimensions of a particle, respectively.	
Flat	Particles with width/thickness > 3
Elongated	Particles with length/width > 3
Flat and Elongated	Particles meet criteria for both flat and elongated

TABLE 4 Criteria for Describing the Reaction with HCl

DESCRIPTION	CRITERIA
None	No visible reaction
Weak	Some reaction, with bubbles forming slowly
Strong	Violent reaction, with bubbles forming immediately

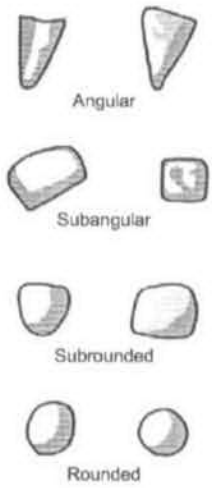
TABLE 6 Criteria for Describing Cementation

DESCRIPTION	CRITERIA
Weak	Crumbles or breaks with handling or little finger pressure
Moderate	Crumbles or breaks with considerable finger pressure
Strong	Will not crumble or break with finger pressure

TABLE 12 Identification of Inorganic Fine-Grained Soils from Manual Tests

SOIL SYMBOL	DRY STRENGTH	DILATANCY	TOUGHNESS
ML	None to Low	Slow to Rapid	Low or Thread Cannot be Formed
CL	Medium to High	None to Slow	Medium
MH	Low to Medium	None to Slow	Low to Medium
CH	High to Very High	None	High

GRAIN SHAPE



SPT SPECS (From Dept. of Interior Earth Manual)

140-lb hammer, 30-inch freefall

Cathead: 6 to 10-inch diameter, 2-1/4 rope turns, ≥ 100 rpm, mechanical OK

Sampler: 18 to 30-inch long, shoe ID = 1.375 inches, barrel ID = 1.5 inches, OD = 2.0 inches

Count blows for each of three 6-inch increments
Refusal: 50 blows for 6 inches or less, 10 blows for 0 inches

Standard Penetration Resistance = "N-Value" = blows for last 12 inches

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FIELD REFERENCE ROCK CLASSIFICATION

ORDER OF CLASSIFICATION TERMS

1. ROCK NAME: (see back of sheet)
2. strength,
3. basic rock description;
4. structure;
5. weathering;
6. other or unique features
7. (Formation or Member name)

EXAMPLE

BASALT: moderate strength, gray, fine grained; moderately vesicular, smooth, closely-spaced, high angle joints with iron-oxide staining; slightly weathered (Wanapum Basalt).

3. BASIC ROCK DESCRIPTION

COLOR

TEXTURE (see back side of sheet)

CEMENTATION: Weakly / Strongly

INDURATION: Slightly / Highly

4. STRUCTURE

a) FABRIC: Bedding, foliation, etc.; Describe type, spacing, orientation

b) VESICULARITY: Describe percent by volume and size of holes (range and typical)

c) DISCONTINUITIES: Describe type, number of sets, spacing or intercept (range and typical), roughness, healing, aperture (width), filling type and consistency (use soil terms), and orientation or dip (low / high or angle)

4a. FABRIC TERMS

Sedimentary Rocks:

MASSIVE - Rock without significant structure

BEDDED - Regular layering from sedimentation

FISSILE - Tendency to break along laminations

Metamorphic Rocks:

FOLIATED - Parallel arrangement or distribution of minerals

SCHISTOSE - Parallel arrangement of tabular minerals giving a planar fissility

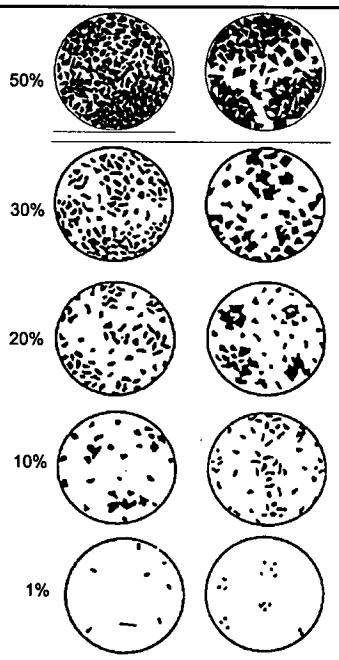
GNEISSOSE - Segregation of minerals into bands

CLEAVAGE - Tendancy to split along secondary, planar textures or structures

4b. VESICULARITY

Slightly Vesicular	1 to 10%
Moderately Vesicular	10 to 30%
Highly Vesicular	30 to 50%
Scoriaceous	>50%

COMPARISON CHART (percent by volume)



4c. DISCONTINUITY TERMS

FRACTURE - Collective term for any natural break excluding shears, shear zones, and faults

JOINT (JT) - Planar break with little or no displacement

FOLIATION JOINT (FJ) or BEDDING JOINT (BJ) - Joint along foliation or bedding

INCIPIENT JOINT (IJ) or INCIPIENT FRACTURE (IF) - Joint or fracture not evident until wetted and dried; breaks along existing surface

RANDOM FRACTURE (RF) - Natural, very irregular fracture that does not belong to a set

BEDDING PLANE SEPARATION or PARTING - A separation along bedding after extraction from stress relief or slaking

FRACTURE ZONE (FZ) - Planar zone of broken rock without gouge

MECHANICAL BREAK (MB) - Breaks due to drilling or handling; drilling break (DB), hammer break (HB).

SHEAR (SH) - Surface of differential movement evident by presence of slickensides, striations, or polishing

SHEAR ZONE (SZ) - Zone of gouge and rock fragments bounded by planar shear surfaces

FAULT (FT) - Shear zone of significant extent; differentiation from shear may be site-specific

4c. OUTCROP DATA

When collecting outcrop data, fracture orientation, aperture, roughness, and filling type / consistency, should be described in greater detail than is possible with core. Depending on the nature or investigation, additional data should also be recorded:

Fracture WALL STRENGTH

Fracture CONTINUITY OR LENGTH

Fracture ENDS OBSERVED (0, 1, 2)

Fracture MOISTURE CONDITIONS (dry, dry but stained, damp, wet, dripping, flowing)

BLOCK SIZE

When this level of detail is required, a special data collection form should be used.

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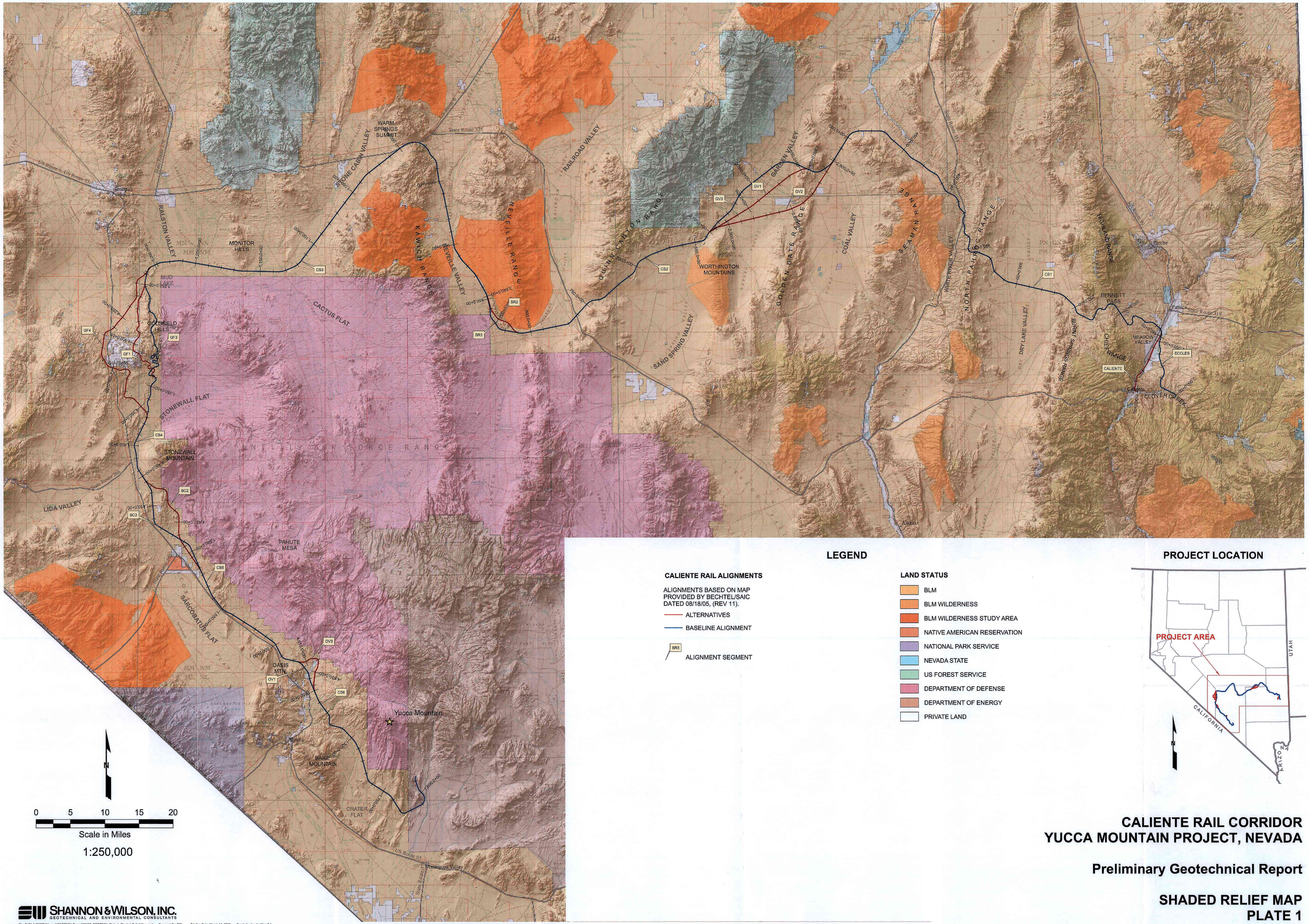

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CALIENTE RAIL ALIGNMENTS

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- ALTERNATIVES
- BASELINE ALIGNMENT
- SR3 — ALIGNMENT SEGMENT

LAND STATUS

- BLM
- BLM WILDERNESS
- BLM WILDERNESS STUDY AREA
- NATIVE AMERICAN RESERVATION
- NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
- NEVADA STATE
- US FOREST SERVICE
- DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
- DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
- PRIVATE LAND

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SHADED RELIEF MAP
PLATE 1

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- ALTERNATIVES
- BASELINE ALIGNMENT

GEOLOGIC CROSS-SECTIONS

A ——— A' GEOLOGIC CROSS-SECTION DESIGNATION AND APPROXIMATE LOCATION

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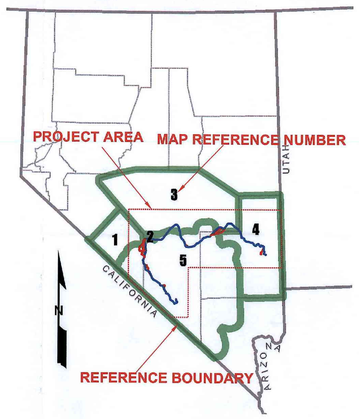
NOTE

Map shows approximate location of geologic cross-sections only. Geologic units shown on map do not directly correspond with those shown on the geologic cross-sections. See Plate 3 for geologic cross-sections.

PROJECT LOCATION



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NOTES

1. See Plate 2, Sheet 2 for description and correlation of geologic map units.
2. See associated map reference for description of map symbols.

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REGIONAL GEOLOGY COMPILATION MAP
PLATE 2 (Sheet 1 of 2)

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Southern Nye County (2)

Qal — Alluvium
Fan and stream gravels flanking mountains and hills and grading outward into sands and silts in valley bottoms

Qb — Basalt
Flows, plugs, and cinder cones

Tb — Basalt
Flows and plugs

Tr — Welded tuff
Ash flow, mostly rhyolitic; locally includes older ash flows

Tr — Quartz latite
Flows and intrusive masses

Tls — Tuff and tuffaceous sedimentary rocks

Tr — Rhyolite
Flows and intrusive masses

Tt — Ash-fall tuff and reworked ash-flow tuff

Ce — Emigrant Formation
Claystone and limestone

Workman (5)

Qc — Channel alluvium (Holocene)

Qay — Young alluvium (Holocene to latest Pleistocene?)

Qayo — Intermediate-age alluvium (middle Holocene to latest Pleistocene?)

Qao — Old alluvium (late to middle Pleistocene)

QTau — Undifferentiated older alluvium (Holocene to latest Tertiary)

QTo — Basaltic lava flows, undivided (Pleistocene to Miocene)

Tp4 — Intermediate-composition lava flows, unit 4 (Pliocene and Miocene)

Ts4 — Sedimentary rocks, unit 4 (Pliocene and Miocene)

Tbt — Tuffs of the Belted Range Group

Tst — Stonewall Flat Tuff and tuffs of the Thirsty Canyon Group, undivided

Tpt — Tuffs of the Paintbrush Group

Tct — Tuffs of the Crater Flat Group

Tqv — Volcanic rocks of Quartz Mountain

Tv — Volcanic rocks, undivided (Pliocene to Oligocene)

Tls — Landslide and mega-breccia deposits (Miocene to Oligocene)

Tp3 — Intermediate-composition lava flows, unit 3 (Miocene and Oligocene)

Tqc — Older granitic intrusive rocks (Miocene? to Oligocene)

Tso — Sedimentary rocks older than the rocks of the Nevada Test Site and vicinity (Miocene to Eocene?)

Ts1 — Sedimentary rocks, unit 1 (Eocene and Paleocene)

Qp — Playa and (or) salt pan deposits (Holocene)

Qayf — Young fine-grained alluvium (Holocene to latest Pleistocene?)

Qe — Eolian deposits (Holocene to middle Pleistocene)

Qau — Undifferentiated alluvium (Holocene to Pleistocene)

QTa — Oldest alluvium (middle Pleistocene to late Tertiary)

QTd — Deposits associated with modern or past ground-water discharge (Holocene to late Tertiary)

Tb — Old basaltic lava flows (Pliocene to Miocene)

Tgy — Young granitic intrusive rocks (Miocene)

Tr — Felsic-composition lava flows, undivided (Pliocene to Oligocene)

Tbi — Younger intermediate-composition intrusive rocks (Miocene to Oligocene)

Tp2 — Ash-flow tuffs and interbedded air-fall tuffs, unit 2 (Oligocene)

Ttr — Lithic Ridge Tuff, rhyolite of Picture Rock, Tunnel Formation, and comendite of Quartet Dome, undivided

TKd — Mafic intrusive rocks (Oligocene to Cretaceous)

TKi — Older intermediate-composition intrusive rocks (Oligocene to Cretaceous)

TRg — Oldest granitic intrusive rocks (Tertiary? to Triassic)

Pzu — Sedimentary rocks, undivided (Paleozoic)

PPMb — Bird Spring (Lower Permian and Pennsylvanian) and Indian Springs Formations (Upper Mississippian)

PPt — Tippipah Limestone (Lower Permian and Pennsylvanian)

Mu — Sedimentary rocks, undivided (Upper and Lower Mississippian)

Mj — Joana Limestone (Lower Mississippian)

Msc — Scotty Wash Quartzite (Upper Mississippian) and Chainman Shale (Upper and Lower Mississippian), undivided

MDe — Eleana Formation (Mississippian and Upper Devonian)

MDu — Sedimentary rocks, undivided (Lower Mississippian and Upper and Middle Devonian)

DSd — Dolomite and limestone, undifferentiated (Devonian to Upper Cambrian)

Ds — Simonson Dolomite (Middle Devonian)

DSsl — Sevy (Middle and Lower Devonian) and Laketown (Upper and Middle Silurian) Dolomites, undivided

Sr — Roberts Mountains Formation (Silurian)

OPp — Palmetto Formation (Upper, Middle, and Lower Ordovician)

Oas — Ely Springs Dolomite (Upper and Middle Ordovician) and Eureka Quartzite (Upper and Middle Ordovician), undivided

Oas — Ely Springs Dolomite (Upper Ordovician)

Oe — Eureka Quartzite (Upper and Middle Ordovician)

OCpn — Pogonip Group (Middle and Lower Ordovician and Upper Cambrian) and Nopah Formation (Upper Cambrian), undivided

OCp — Pogonip Group (Middle and Lower Ordovician and Upper Cambrian)

Ce — Emigrant Formation (Upper and Middle Cambrian)

Cnbc — Nopah (Upper Cambrian), Bonanza King (Upper and Middle Cambrian), and Carrara Formations (Middle and Lower Cambrian), undivided

Cn — Nopah Formation (Upper Cambrian)

Cms — Mule Spring Limestone (Lower Cambrian)

Ch — Harkless Formation (Lower Cambrian)

Cb — Bonanza King Formation (Upper and Middle Cambrian)

CZp — Poleta Formation (Lower Cambrian)

CZw — Wood Canyon Formation (Lower Cambrian and Late Proterozoic)

Ccam — Montenegro Member (Lower Cambrian)

CZcaa — Andrews Mountain Member (Lower Cambrian and Late Proterozoic)

Zd — Deep Spring Formation (Late Proterozoic)

Zs — Stirling Quartzite and Reed Dolomite, undivided (Late Proterozoic)

Zj — Johnnie and Wyman Formations, undivided (Late Proterozoic)

Xmi — Metamorphic and igneous rocks, undifferentiated (Early Proterozoic)

Northern Nye County (3)

Qb, Qbo, Qbe — BASALTIC ROCKS—**Qb**, basalt in flows, **Qbc**, basaltic scoria in cones and in mounds, **Qba**, basaltic ash and scoria, undifferentiated

QTb — BASALT, ANDESITE, AND LATITE—May prove to be part of much older rocks of intermediate composition, unit Td

Tb — BASALTIC ROCKS

Ti, Td — DACITIC AND QUARTZ LATITIC ROCKS—**Ti**, quartz latite flows, plugs, and proximaire domes; in San Antonio Mountains includes Brougher Dacite (16.2 m.y. old). **Td**, biotite-hornblende dacite porphyry in thick extensive flow, about 17 m.y. old, in San Antonio Mountains

Tsw — TUFF OF SAULSBURY WASH—Rhyolitic welded ash-flow tuff. Radiometric age 21.6 ± 0.6 m.y. Lies with slight angular discordance on a surface of low to moderate relief cut into underlying volcanic rocks. May include tuff of Clipper Gap of Gromme, McKee, and Blake (1972) in northernmost exposures near Antelope Spring

Tb — ANDESITIC TO BASALTIC ROCKS, INCLUDING MIZPAH FORMATION—**Tb**, Includes the Mountain Basin of Broderick (1969) and basaltic andesite to trachybasalt in San Antonio Mountains (Benham, 1970), Villalino, 1962), and Monitor Mountains (Benham, 1970, Vitaliano, 1962) and Silver Peak (Vitaliano, 1972). Upper age limit of sequence unknown but probably Pliocene. Two flows, 15.8 ± 2.0 m.y. and 17.0 ± 3.0 m.y.-old, in the San Antonio Mountains are part of a sequence possibly correlative with basaltic and andesitic rocks of the Hannapah mining district, Monitor Range, where age of uppermost flow in a thick sequence at Thumper Mountain is 18.8 ± 1.5 m.y. according to Armstrong and others (1972) but which is probably not more than about 15 m.y. old according to Benham (oral commun., May, 1974). In north end of San Antonio Mountains and in vicinity of Lodi Hills, the lava intercongue with and cap sedimentary strata (unit **Tss**). **Tsa**, Mizpah Trachyte, commonly altered and locally rich in alunite, 20.4 ± 0.4 m.y. old, mapped only in vicinity of Tonopah, where the unit is basic rock for the silver deposits. **Tt**, trachydacite dikes

Tsnu, Tj — SHINGLE PASS(?) AND SOME OTHER TUFFS—**Tsnu**, Shingle Pass(?) Tuff and some other tuffs around Mount Jefferson, undifferentiated. Crystal-poor to moderately crystal-rich welded ash-flow tuffs of rhyolitic to quartz latitic composition. Includes some air-fall tuff and lacustrine and fluviatile tuffaceous sedimentary rocks, and locally may include some rhyolite lava flow and other young tuffs (Tbm). Radiometric age measured on Shingle Pass Tuff in region east of the Toquima Range is 25.1 ± 1.0 m.y. old. Quartet where uncertain. **Tj**, tuffs of Mount Jefferson. Moderately crystal-rich rhyolitic to quartz latitic ash-flow tuffs; includes several thousand feet of rocks and more than one cooling unit. Radiometric age 24.7 to 26.1 m.y. for one of units; total age span unknown. Quartet where identification uncertain

Tkc — TUFF OF KILN CANYON—Chiefly rhyolitic to quartz latitic ash-flow tuff. Age 25.1 ± 1.0 m.y. (biotite); 24.1 ± 0.9 m.y. (sanidine)

Td — ROCKS OF INTERMEDIATE COMPOSITION—Chiefly latitic lavas and some welded vitric tuffs; especially extensive and thick in Pritchards Station quadrangle, Hot Creek Range, and very thin in adjacent Moores Station quadrangle. Correlative with unit Td of Pancake Range

Tpo — OLD TUFFS OF THE PANCAKE CALDERA COMPLEX—Silicic ash-flow tuffs; chiefly in southern Pancake Range. Includes, from youngest to oldest, informally named tuff of Palisade Mesa (29.9 m.y) and tuff of Halligan Mesa (30.3 m.y.). May locally include tuff of Black Rock Summit

Tex — EXOTIC SLIDE BLOCKS

Tsy, Tsd — DACITIC TO BASALTIC ROCKS—**Tsy**, younger(?) mafic rocks, believed to be in the age range of about 5 or 7 to 15 m.y. **Tsd**, intermediate lavas and intrusive bodies of probable widespread age span that may include Pliocene material. Some units pervasively altered (propylitized and argillized) and locally mineralized. In the Lodi Hills and vicinity, the lavas may be apparently mainly coeval with the Mizpah Trachyte and a remainder in the southern Monitors Mountains given an unpublished name by Benham (1970) as 18.6 m.y. and 21.4 ± 4.0 m.y. respectively or as old as the 27 m.y. old andesites mapped by Wilden and Speed (1974) nearby in southeastern Churchill County.

Tvu — VOLCANIC ROCKS, UNDIFFERENTIATED—**Tvu**, chiefly rhyolitic to quartz latitic(?) ash-flow tuffs, and sedimentary strata. Stratigraphic position uncertain but probably Miocene and Oligocene; may correlate in part with similar rocks in Tolyabe Range (unit **Tvr**). Mainly includes rocks previously correlated by Ferguson (1924) and Ferguson and Cathcart (1954) with the Esmeralda Formation and divided by Ferguson at Manhattan into five members: the basal Hadley Breccia Member and successively overlying Round Rock Member (welded tuff), Diamond Ring Member (bedded tuffs and ash-flow tuffs), Bald Mountain Lake Beds Member, and quartz latite member (welded ash-flow tuff). Except for the Hadley Breccia, lower units may possibly correlate with ash-flow tuffs (units **Ts**, **Typ**) mapped farther north in the Widow Peak quadrangle. The Hadley Breccia (**Tbls**), which is herein removed from the Esmeralda, is shown repeatedly on the map. **Ts**, sedimentary strata: mapped locally. **Tbls**, Hadley Breccia. Volcanic breccia; many clasts known are composed of pre-Tertiary rocks

Tpy — YOUNG TUFFS OF THE PANCAKE CALDERA COMPLEX—Silicic to intermediate ash-flow tuffs recognized chiefly in the Hot Creek Range. Includes, from youngest to oldest, informally named granite-weathering tuff, clinkstone-weathering tuff, tuff of Black Beauty Mesa, tuff of Buckwheat Rim, tuff of Barkskin Point, and tuff of Lunar Cuesta. Last-named unit has mean age of 24.6 ± 0.75 m.y.

Tyr — ROCKS OF THE REVEILLE RANGE—Silicic tuffs and intrusive bodies and sedimentary strata, all about 24 to 25 m.y. old, such as informally named rhyolite and tuff of Streuben Knob and tuff of northern Reveille Range

Ti, Tris — INTRUSIVE ROCKS, UNDIFFERENTIATED, AND RHYOLITE OF BIG SAND SPRINGS VALLEY—**Ti**, primarily rhyolite but also rhyodacitic and andesitic dikes and irregular small bodies. **Tris**, rhyolite of Big Sand Springs Valley, 25.8 ± 1.3 m.y. old, and other rhyolites; mapped only in southeast part of Moores Station quadrangle and in Hot Creek Range west of Tybo. Includes bodies that intrude rocks as young as tuff of Kiln Canyon, Hot Creek Range, Tybo quadrangle

Tnc — TUFF OF HOT CREEK CANYON—Rhyolitic to quartz latitic welded tuff. 30.0 ± 0.9 m.y. old

Qa — ALLUVIUM, COLLUVIUM, TALUS—Chiefly flaviatile gravels flanking mountains and grading into fluviatile and lacustrine sand and silt in valleys. Includes eolian and playa deposits. Locally includes similar deposits of Tertiary age

Qg — FANGLOMERATE—The fanglomerate locally contains conspicuous small boulders and slabs of Mesozoic granite and Lower Cambrian white and quartzite. Unit locally lies on Miocene and Pliocene sedimentary strata formerly assigned to the Siebert Formation. Mapped only along extreme southwest part of Toquima Range; other Quaternary fanglomerates included with Quaternary alluvium (Qa)

Qls — YOUNGER LANDSLIDE DEPOSITS

QTl — LANDSLIDE DEPOSITS—May or may not have originated like *exotic slide blocks*, unit Tex, below

Tdx — DEBRIS—A melange possibly formed between 18.5 and 26 m.y. ago, and containing volcanic rocks older than unit Tvr. Mapped in southernmost Pancake Range and Reveille Range

Tf — FRACTION TUFF—Lithic-rich rhyolitic to quartz latitic ash-flow tuffs. At Heller Butte (Tonopah) average age is 17.0 ± 0.3 m.y., and is the oldest post-ore unit. Mineralization age at Tonopah is 19.1 ± 0.4 m.y., based on adularia in a vein. Quartet where uncertain

Tvt, Tvt — TOIYABE QUARTZ LATITE—Tvt, chiefly rhyolite in rhyodacitic welded ash-flow tuffs a few thousand feet thick and in several cooling units in Tolyabe Range and Shoshone Mountains. Typically contains abundant smoky quartz and feldspar, but some units contain conspicuous biotite and little quartz. Units exhibits strongly inclined normal magnetic polarity. Locally in Shoshone Mountains includes at top of section intermediate lavas as much as 165 meters thick (Vitaliano and Vitaliano, 1972). Age in part is 21.5 m.y. old for welded ash-flow tuff bearing smoky quartz. Age range about 21-24 m.y. A coarse-grained "facies" of Vitaliano and Vitaliano (1972) that intrudes lower part of Toiyabe Quartz Latite

Tlw, Tvm, Tlv, Ts — VOLCANIC ROCKS OF HANNAPAH AND ELLENDALE MINING DISTRICTS—**Tlw**, rhyolite to quartz latitic welded ash-flow tuffs, vary tuffs, air-fall tuffs, pumice flows, and intercalated sedimentary rocks, undifferentiated. Some rocks shown as unit. The may be correlative with thick tuaiffe-rolianed ash-flow tuffs (Tvu) of the Hunts and McCann Canyons area, northern Monitor Range, **Tlm**, tuffs of McKinney Tanks; air-fall tuffs and incipiently welded tuffs and sedimentary rocks; tuffaceous and lacustrine beds interbedded with fluviatic strata. Not mapped separately everywhere from unit Tlw. Tuffaceous rocks common, but limestone not seen and may be absent. **Tv**, tuffs of Hannapah and probable tuff rocks; chiefly welded, rhyolitic to quartz latitic; some agglutinate. Relatively discrete compared to the other volcanic rocks of Hannapah and Ellendale mining districts but may not be mapped separately everywhere. **Ts**, intrusive or dacitic rocks in Hannapah and small irregular bodies. Commonly propylitized and locally altered to clay. Age known to be the basaltic and andesitic rocks that form the capping unit in the area (see unit QTb, above), but generally believed to be older. Includes small bodies of dacite and (or) latite near Thunder Mountain

Tsh, Tshu, Tss — SHINGLE PASS TUFF AND STRATIGRAPHICALLY ADJACENT ROCKS—**Tsh**, Shingle Pass Tuff; crystal-poor rhyolite ash-flow tuffs about 25.1 ± 1.0 m.y. old, **Tshu**, ash-flow tuffs, undifferentiated. Age range about 23 to 29 m.y. in Morey Peak quadrangle, Hot Creek Range, includes from top to bottom, the tuff of Lunar Cuesta, Shingle Pass Tuff, and the young tuffs of Moores Station area, Needles Range(?) Formation (of minor extent), unnamed ash-flow tuffs, and local bedded tuff and sedimentary strata. In the central part of the Monitor Range locally includes the Barn Mountain Tuff and the tuff of Clipper Gap of Gromme, McKee, and Blake (1972). **Tss**, tuffaceous sedimentary rocks; mapped only in Tybo quadrangle, Hot Creek Range

Tgg, Tbsv — GILMORE GULCH FORMATION AND RELATED ROCKS—**Tgg**, Gilmore Gulch Formation. Chiefly clastic sedimentary strata, with some limestone and locally underlying megabreccia and a little welded tuff. Overlies tuff of Williams Ridge and Morey Peak in the Tybo quadrangle, Hot Creek Range. **Tbx**, megabreccia and welded tuff as much as 1000 ft thick (separated locally from unit Tgg)

Tr — RHYOLITE—In domes, plugs, and flows. Associated locally with pumiceous material; mostly phenocryst-poor and lithic-rich. Mapped only near Dixies Punch Bowl Spring, Monitor Valley, and near Hunts Canyon, Monitor Range. Probably correlative with many of the nearby rhyolites in the southern Monitor Range that are mapped with the rhyolites, undifferentiated (Tru)

Tru — RHYOLITES, UNDIFFERENTIATED—Dome and plugs of rhyolite of uncertain age relations with rocks in vicinity of Ellendale and Hannapah mining districts. May be of more than one age, with possible range of about 16 to 26 m.y.

Ta, Tvm, Tla — MIDDLE VOLCANIC SEQUENCE—**Ta**, andesitic rocks; includes Gilbert Andesite as used by Ferguson and Cathcart (1954) in the southern Tolyabe Range but is probably much older than and exhibits strongly inclined normal magnetic polarity. Locally in Shoshone Mountains includes at top of section intermediate lavas as much as 165 meters thick (Vitaliano and Vitaliano, 1972). Age in part is 21.5 m.y. old for welded ash-flow tuff bearing smoky quartz. Age range about 21-24 m.y. A coarse-grained "facies" of Vitaliano and Vitaliano (1972) that intrudes lower part of Toiyabe Quartz Latite

Tvt, Tvo — TOPOPAH FORMATION—Silicic ash-flow tuffs and lavas; commonly zeolited (argillized and silicified) and locally mineralized. Includes some tuffaceous sedimentary rocks and conglomerate. Mapped only in San Antonio Mountains. Age relations uncertain with respect to Tertiary units elsewhere, but believed to be Oligocene or Oligocene(?). May be more nearly the time equivalent of the middle volcanic sequence of Shoshone Mountains and Tolyabe Range than shown

Tmy, Tam — MONOTONY TUFF AND LAVA—**Tm**, Monotony Tuff; rhyolitic and quartz latitic ash-flow tuff (26.5-27.0 ± 0.8 m.y.). **Tam**, andesite lavas and breccias underlying and locally overlying Monotony Tuff. Includes tuff and sedimentary strata

Twa, Tnr, Twb, Tet, Tow, Ts, Tn — VOLCANIC ROCKS—**Twa**, chiefly crystal-rich welded ash-flow tuffs of rhyolitic to quartz latitic composition. **Tnr**, Needles Range(?) Formation. Radiometric age 27.2 to 29.7 m.y. **Twb**, Windous Butte Formation. Radiometric age 30.7 m.y. **Tet**, Stone Cabin Formation; age 34.1 m.y. **Tow**, Calloway Well Formation of Scott (1965a); age is 33.2 ± 0.7 m.y. **Ts**, sedimentary rocks, in part volcanogenic in origin. Includes Currant Tuff near Currant and air-fall and ash-flow tuffs older than about 22 m.y. west of Quinn Canyon. **Tn**, andesite in flows

Lincoln County (4)

Qa — Recent playa deposits

Qal — Younger alluvium

Ql — Younger lake beds

QTl — Intermediate lake beds

QTg — Older gravels

Tl — Older lake beds
Muddy Creek Formation, Panaca Formation, and lake beds in White River Volcanics

Tvy, p, Tvs, Tvo, Tvc, Tvd, Tvr, Tvt — Younger volcanic rocks
Tvy, *younger volcanic rocks, undivided, including intramontane sedimentary rocks (Ts) and perlite (p)*
Tva, *andesite*
Tvb, *sphaeroidal-weathering ignimbrite*
Tvt, *rhyolite unit*
Tvd, *biotite dacite*
Tvr, *rhyolite complex*
Tvc, *tuffs and tuffaceous sediments*

Tlt, Tr, Tsb, Tgd, Tcm, Td, Tdi, Twt — Intrusive rocks
Tg, *granite stocks and dikes*
Tr, *rhyolite and microgranite dikes*
Tsb, *granite porphyry*
Tgd, *granodiorite*
Tcm, *quartz monzonite or quartz diorite*
Td, *diorite*
Tdi, *diabase*
Twt, *andesitic volcanic neck*

Tls — Tuff and tuffaceous sedimentary rocks

Tr — Rhyolite
Flows and intrusive masses

Tt — Ash-fall tuff and reworked ash-flow tuff

Ce — Emigrant Formation
Claystone and limestone

Tb — Basalt
Includes some older basalt flows and basalt dikes of several ages

Td — Dacite

Tql — Quartz latite and felsite
Includes Brougher Dacite. Age 16.2 m.y. by K-Ar method (tuffite 3 this report)

Ta — Andesite
Includes Dacite Andesite

Tf — Fraction Breccia
Ash flows of dominantly rhyolitic composition. Correlated with rocks in Nye County which are dated at 17.8 m.y. by K-Ar method

Tsw — Lower welded ash flow
Age 21.6 m.y. by K-Ar method (Robinson and others, 1968, table 1, no. 7)

Tt — Ash-fall tuff and reworked ash-flow tuff

Ce — Emigrant Formation
Mostly claystone in lower part, overlain by thick-bedded limestone with cherty layers

Cms — Mule Spring Limestone

Ch — Harkless Formation
Dominantly green siltstone; locally includes strata lithologically similar to and correlative with Goiter Valley Formation as defined by Nolan (1962)

Cp — Poleta Formation
Mostly thick-bedded carbonate in lower part, overlain by green siltstone with limestone and quartzite interbeds

Ccm, Cck — Campito Formation
Ccm, Montenegro Member; dominantly green siltstone
Cck, Andrews Mountain Member; dominantly dark-gray fine-grained quartzite

Yr — Lacustrine limestone

Tls — Older clastic rocks

Tkv — Older volcanic rocks

Tkvu — Volcanic rocks, undifferentiated

Esmeralda County (1)

Qal — Desert wash, colluvium, alluvium, and playa deposits

Qoa — Older alluvium
Chiefly gravel

Qtb — Basalt
Age 4.5 m.y. (biotite gneiss) by K-Ar methods (Robinson and others, 1968, table 1, no. 7)

Td — Dacite

Tql — Quartz latite and felsite
Includes Brougher Dacite. Age 16.2 m.y. by K-Ar method (tuffite 3 this report)

Ta — Andesite
Includes Dacite Andesite

Tf — Fraction Breccia
Ash flows of dominantly rhyolitic composition. Correlated with rocks in Nye County which are dated at 17.8 m.y. by K-Ar method

Tsw — Lower welded ash flow
Age 21.6 m.y. by K-Ar method (Robinson and others, 1968, table 1, no. 7)

Dark aphanitic to medium-grained rocks of dioritic to andesitic composition

Pelsic aphanitic rhyolite and quartz porphyry dike rocks

PPl, P, Pl, Pl — Limestone and sandstone
PPl, Permian and Pennsylvanian limestone and sandstone, undivided
Pl, Permian limestone; contains some fusulinacean Pennsylvanian beds in western Monitor Range
P, Upper Pennsylvanian sandstone; contains some Permian beds east of the Limestone Hills
Pl, Pennsylvanian limestone; lower most beds locally contain a very Late Mississippian fauna

Mlt — Limestone
Includes Joana, Mercury, and Bristol Peak Limestone

Msc, Mlow, Mc — Clastic rocks
Msc, Upper Mississippian clastic rocks, undivided
Mlow, Scotty Wash Quartzite
Mc, Chainman Shale

MDp — Pilot Shale

Dg — Guilmette Formation

Dsl — Simonson Dolomite

Sl — Laketown Dolomite

Oes — Ely Springs Dolomite

Oe — Eureka Quartzite

Op — Pogonip Group

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Op — Palmetto Formation
Dominantly black shale; locally contains abundant chert, limestone, and quartzite

Ce — Emigrant Formation
Mostly claystone in lower part, overlain by thick-bedded limestone with cherty layers

Cms — Mule Spring Limestone

Ch — Harkless Formation
Dominantly green siltstone; locally includes strata lithologically similar to and correlative with Goiter Valley Formation as defined by Nolan (1962)

Cp — Poleta Formation
Mostly thick-bedded carbonate in lower part, overlain by green siltstone with limestone and quartzite interbeds

Ccm, Cck — Campito Formation
Ccm, Montenegro Member; dominantly green siltstone
Cck, Andrews Mountain Member; dominantly dark-gray fine-grained quartzite

Cbc — Bonanza King Formation and Carrara Formation, undivided

Cc — Limestone and dolomite, and Dunderberg Shale, undifferentiated

Cu — Cambrian limestone and dolomite, undifferentiated

Chp — Highland Peak Formation

Cc, Cch, Cbc — Chisholm Shale, Lyndon Limestone, and Piche Shale, undivided
Piche Shale, where mapped separately, shown as member bcd

Ccm — Prospect Mountain Quartzite
Includes Wood Canyon Formation and Stirling Quartzite in the Desert Range

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REGIONAL GEOLOGY COMPILATION MAP
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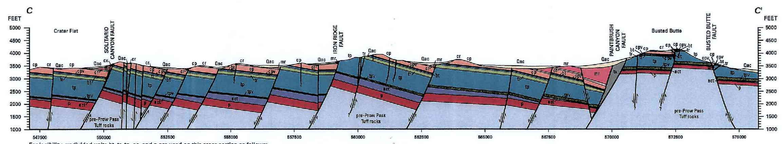
1 SECTION C - C' FROM BEDROCK GEOLOGIC MAP OF THE YUCCA MOUNTAIN AREA, NYE COUNTY, NEVADA BY DAY, ET AL., 1998

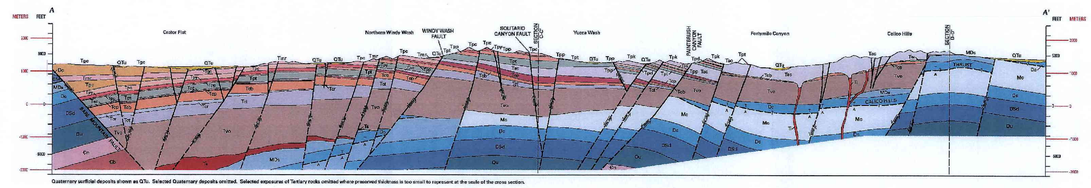


For legibility, undivided units bt, tr, tp, ao, and p are used on this cross section as follows:
bt includes bt3 and bt2; tr includes trv and trn; tp includes tpul, tpmn, tpll, tpln, and tpv;
ao includes ao and aot; and p includes p and pbt.

List of Units

- Qao — Alluvial and colluvial deposits
- Tmr — Rainier Mesa Tuff, nonwelded
- cr — Crystal-rich member
- cp — Crystal-poor member
- vzcp — Vitric zone of crystal-poor member
- Tbu — Nonwelded bedded tuffs, undivided
- tr — Crystal-rich member, undivided
- tcp — Crystal-poor member, undivided
- cpvz — Crystal-poor vitric zone
- Tb — Undivided tectonic breccia
- Tbt — Ash-flow tuff
- Tpp — Prow Pass Tuff

2 SECTION A - A' FROM GEOLOGIC MAP OF THE YUCCA MOUNTAIN REGION, NYE COUNTY, NEVADA BY POTTER, ET AL., 2002



Quaternary surficial deposits shown as QTu. Selected Quaternary deposits omitted. Selected exposures of Tertiary rocks omitted where preserved thickness is too small to represent at the scale of the cross sections.

LIST OF MAP UNITS

- Qal — Alluvium (Holocene)
- Qmp — Younger alluvium (Holocene and late Pleistocene)
- Qam — Alluvium (late and middle Pleistocene)
- Qao — Older alluvium (middle and early Pleistocene)
- Qay — Eolian sand and fragmentic (Holocene and late Pleistocene)
- Qam — Eolian-colluvial ramp deposits (Holocene to middle Pleistocene)
- Qo — Older eolian sand (middle to early Pleistocene)
- Qo — Eolian deposits (Holocene to middle Pleistocene)
- Qrd — Spring deposits (Holocene to middle Pleistocene)
- QTu — Surficial deposits, undivided (Quaternary and Pliocene)—Shown on cross sections only
- Qay — Younger Quaternary basalt (late Pleistocene)
- Qbc — Older Quaternary basalt (early Pleistocene)
- Tmr — Younger Tertiary basalt of Crater Flat (Pliocene)
- Tmy — Younger volcanic rocks (Pliocene to Miocene)
- Tcs — Rockyculanche breccia of southern Crater Flat (Miocene)
- Tgc — Conglomerates, conglomerates, and rock-avalanche breccia (Miocene)
- Tmb — Older Tertiary basalts (Miocene) Includes older Tertiary basalts of Crater Flat, basalt of Skull Mountain, and basalt of Kiwi Mesa
- Tcr — Rocket Wash Tuff of Thirsty Canyon Group (Miocene)
- Fortymile Canyon assemblage (Miocene)
- Tfs — Rhyolite of Shoshone Mountain
- Tfd — Lavas of Dome Mountain
- Tfb — Beatty Wash Formation—Includes rhyolite of Mac Mountain and rhyolite of Chukar Canyon
- Timbe Mountain Group (Miocene)
- Tma — Ammonia Tanks Tuff
- Tmr — Rainier Mesa Tuff—Includes rhyolite of Fleshpot Canyon
- Tmp — Rhyolite of Pinnacles Ridge
- Tmp — Rhyolite of Wasserspipe Butte
- Tmw — Rhyolite of Windy Wash
- Paintbrush Group (Miocene)
- Tmi — Intracaldera and caldera margin megabreccia and megabreccia
- Tpk — Rhyolite of Comb Peak
- Tpv — Rhyolite of Vent Prow
- Tpp — Tuff of Pinyon Pass
- Tpc — Tiva Canyon Tuff
- Tpc — Rhyolite lavas, undivided—Includes rhyolite of Black Glass Canyon, rhyolite of Echo Peak, rhyolite of Topopa Hill, rhyolite lava above Yucca Mountain Tuff, rhyolite lava above Pah Canyon Tuff, and rhyolite lava beneath Pah Canyon Tuff
- Tyc — Yucca Mountain Tuff
- Tpd — Rhyolite of Delirium Canyon
- Tpc — Pah Canyon Tuff
- Tpbt — Bedded tuff
- Tpt — Topopah Spring Tuff
- Tpu — Paintbrush Group tuffs, undivided (Miocene)
- Tac — Calico Hills Formation (Miocene)
- Tw — Wahmonie Formation (Miocene)
- Crater Flat Group (Miocene)
- Tbp — Prow Pass Tuff
- Tbb — Bullfrog Tuff
- Tpb — Pre-Bullfrog Tuff bedded tuff
- Tpr — Rhyolite of Prospector Pass
- Tbt — Tram Tuff
- Tcv — Older volcanic rocks, undivided (Miocene)—Includes rhyolite lavas, Lithic Ridge Tuff, pre-Lithic Ridge tuffs and lavas, older tuffs of USW-G1, and tuff of Yucca Flat
- Tr — Intrusives (Miocene)
- Ts — Older sedimentary rocks, undivided (Miocene and Oligocene) Includes rocks of Paiute Spring and rocks of lower Rock Valley.
- Mc — Chainman Shale (Mississippian)
- MDc — Clastic sedimentary rocks (Mississippian and Upper Devonian)
- Dc — Dolomite, limestone, and sandy dolomite (Middle and Lower Devonian)
- DSc — Dolomite (Middle and Lower Devonian and Silurian)
- Sc — Sedimentary rocks, undivided (Ordovician)—In cross sections, unit includes Upper Ordovician Ely Springs Dolomite, Upper and Middle Ordovician Fornida Quartzite, and Middle and Lower Ordovician Pogonip Group (Antelope Valley Formation, Nevada Formation, and Goodwin Limestone). On geologic map, unit consists entirely of Pogonip Group
- Op — Nopah Formation (Upper Cambrian)
- Cb — Bonanza King Formation (Upper and Middle Cambrian)
- Cz — Carrara Formation (Middle and Lower Cambrian)
- Cz — Zabriskie Quartzite (Lower Cambrian)
- Cwz — Wood Canyon Formation (Lower Cambrian and Late Proterozoic)
- Zs — Stirling Quartzite (Late Proterozoic)
- Zj — Johnnie Formation (Late Proterozoic) Shown on cross section B–B' only
- Zmz — Metasedimentary rocks, undivided (Late and Middle Proterozoic) Shown on cross section B–B' only

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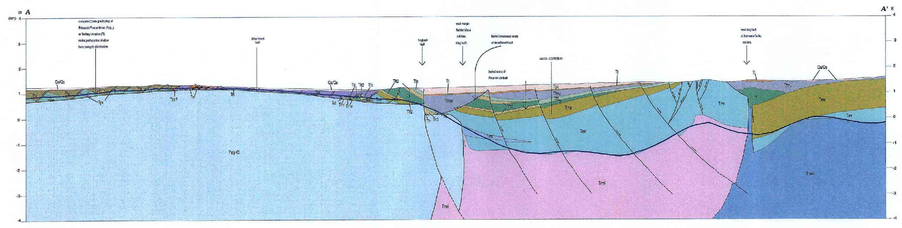

List of Map Units

- Qa — Young alluvial deposits (Holocene)
- Qe — Eolian sand deposits (Quaternary)
- Qp — Playa deposits (Holocene)
- QTc — Colluvium (Holocene, Pleistocene, and Pliocene)
- Qb — Lacustrine beach (Holocene and late Pleistocene)
- Qc — Middle alluvial deposits (Pleistocene)
- QTc — Old alluvial deposits (early Pleistocene and Pliocene)
- Tmbt — Basalt beach (Quaternary)
- Tmb — Older Gravels (early Pliocene and Miocene)
- Tmt — Basalt of Thirsty Mountain (Pliocene)
- Tmr — Spearhead Member of Stonewall Mountain Tuff (Miocene)
- Tmr — Younger bedded tuffs (Miocene)
- Tmbt — Basalts of Thirsty Canyon (Miocene)
- Tr — Rhyolite of Obsidian Butte (Miocene)
- Tt — Thirsty Canyon (Miocene)
- Tct — Tuff of Gold Flat (Miocene)
- Tac — Andesite of Sarcobatus Flat (Miocene)
- Tx — Trachyte lavas of Pillar Spring (Miocene)
- Tr — Tuff Ridge Tuff (Miocene)
- Tpl — Private Mesa Tuff (Miocene)
- Tcr — Conorados of Ribbon Cliff (Miocene)
- Tcv — Rhyolite of Oasis Valley (Miocene)
- Tmbs — Volcanic units between Ammonia Tanks and Private Mesa Tuffs (Miocene)
- Tmz — Upper Lava of Springdale Mtn (Miocene)
- Tmz — Lower Lava of Springdale Mtn (Miocene)
- Tmz — Tuffaceous sedimentary breccia (Miocene)
- Tmt — Trachyte of Donovans Mountain (Miocene)
- Tr — Rhyolite of Rainbow Mountain - Lava (Miocene)
- Tr — Rhyolite of Rainbow Mountain - Tuff (Miocene)
- Tr — Intrusions of Rainbow Mountain rhyolite (Miocene)
- Tmbt — Younger landslide breccias (Miocene)
- Tmd — Lavas of Dome Mountain (Miocene)
- Tmw — Beatty Wash Formation (Miocene)
- Tb — Basalts of ~11.4 to ~10.5 Ma (Miocene)
- Tc — Tuff of Cutoff Road (Miocene)
- Tfc — Upper tuff of Flear-de-Lis Ranch (Miocene)
- Tfc — Lavas of Flear-de-Lis Ranch and of West Cat Canyon (Miocene)
- Tfc — Lower tuff of Flear-de-Lis Ranch (Miocene)
- Tmd — Lava sediments of Oasis Mountain (Miocene)
- Tmd — Subsidiary intrusives of Ammonia Tanks caldera (Miocene)
- Tmb — Rhyolite of Beatty Wash (Miocene)
- Tma — Ammonia Tanks Tuff (Miocene)
- Tmb — Basalts of Timber Mountain age (Miocene)
- Tmd — Subsidiary intrusion of Rainier Mesa Caldera (Miocene)
- Tmbt — Rhyolite of Tannenbaum Hill (Miocene)
- Tmbr — Breccias associated with Timber Mountain Tuffs (Miocene)
- Tmt — Tuffs and lavas of the Twisted Canyon caldera (Miocene)
- Tmr — Rainier Mesa Tuff (Miocene)
- Tmf — Rhyolite of Fleshpot Canyon (Miocene)
- Tmbl — Older landslide breccias (Miocene)
- Tm — Sedimentary caldera fill (Miocene)
- Tmw — Rhyolite of Windy Wash (Miocene)
- Tp — Intrusion of rhyolite of Windy Wash (Miocene)
- Tp — Paintbrush Group (Miocene)
- Tpc — Tiva Canyon Tuff (Miocene)
- Tpp — Tuff of Pinyon Pass (Miocene)
- Tpy — Yucca Mountain Tuff (Miocene)
- Tpe — Rhyolite of Echo Peak (Miocene)
- Tpc — Pah Canyon Tuff (Miocene)
- Tpt — Topopah Spring Tuff (Miocene)
- Tac — Calico Hills Formation (Miocene)
- Tc — Crater Flat Group (Miocene)
- Tbg — Bullfrog Tuff (Miocene)
- Tpc — Rhyolite of Prospector's Pass (Miocene)
- Tct — Tram Tuff (Miocene)
- Tcg — Grouse Canyon Tuff (Miocene)
- Tb — Older basalts (Miocene)
- Tl — Lithic Ridge Tuff (Miocene)
- Ti — Intrusive facies, Picture Rock (Miocene)
- Tpr — Rhyolite of Picture Rock (Miocene)
- Tmr — Late rhyolite of Quartz Mountain (Miocene)
- Tsp — Tuff of Sleeping Butte (Miocene)
- Tmq — Middle rhyolite of Quartz Mountain (Miocene)
- Tmt — Tuff of Tolicha Peak (Miocene)
- Tmq — Quartz Mountain Tuffs, older tuffs, and sediments (Miocene)
- Tg — Rocks of Paiute Spring (Miocene)
- Tog — Older Fluvial conglomerates (Miocene and Oligocene)
- Dc — Gabbro dikes (Oligocene or late Cretaceous?)
- Kg — Granite (Cretaceous)
- PzpC — Pre-Cambrian sedimentary rocks, undivided (Paleozoic and late Proterozoic)
- MDc — Eleana Formation (Mississippian and late Devonian?)
- D — Flourmper Canyon Formation (Devonian)
- S — Lone Mountain Dolomite (Silurian)
- O — Roberts Mountains Formation (Silurian)
- Obe — Ely Springs Dolomite (Ordovician)
- Oe — Eureka Quartzite (Ordovician)
- Oa — Antelope Valley Formation (Ordovician)
- On — Nevada Formation (Ordovician)
- Op — Goodwin Limestone (Ordovician)
- €on — Nopah Formation, undivided (Cambrian)
- €n — Halfpint Member (Cambrian)
- €dl — Dunderberg Shale Member (Cambrian)
- €bk — Bonanza King Formation, undivided (Cambrian)
- €bu — Banded Mountain Member, Upper part (Cambrian)
- €bl — Banded Mountain Member, Lower part (Cambrian)
- €pl — Papoose Lake Member (Cambrian)
- €c — Carrara Formation, undivided (Cambrian)
- €cu — Carrara Formation, Upper part (Cambrian)
- €cm — Carrara Formation, Middle part (Cambrian)
- €cl — Carrara Formation, Lower part (Cambrian)
- €z — Zabriskie Quartzite (Cambrian)
- €wc — Wood Canyon Formation, undivided (Cambrian and late Proterozoic)
- Zwu — Wood Canyon Formation, Upper Member (Cambrian)
- Zwl — Wood Canyon Formation, Lower member (late Proterozoic)
- Zwd — Unit D of lower member of Wood Canyon Formation (late Proterozoic)
- Zwc — Unit C of lower member of Wood Canyon Formation (late Proterozoic)
- Zwb — Unit B of lower member of Wood Canyon Formation (late Proterozoic)
- Zwa — Unit A of lower member of Wood Canyon Formation (late Proterozoic)
- Zst — Stirling Quartzite, E member (late Proterozoic)

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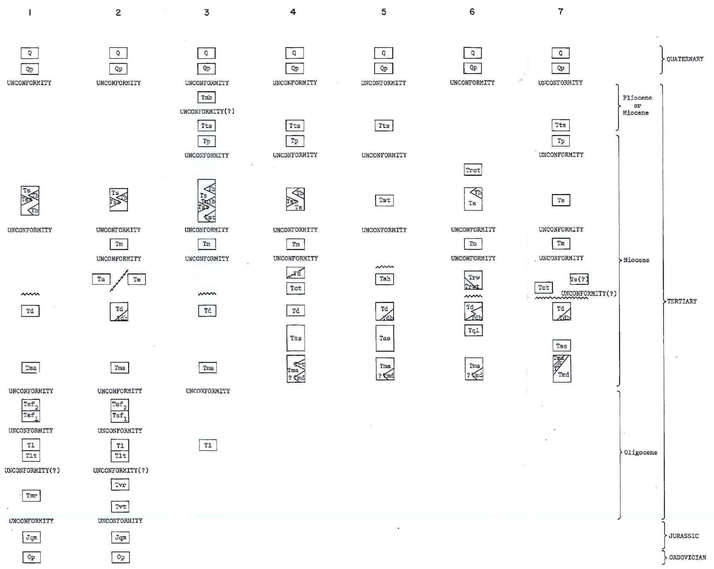

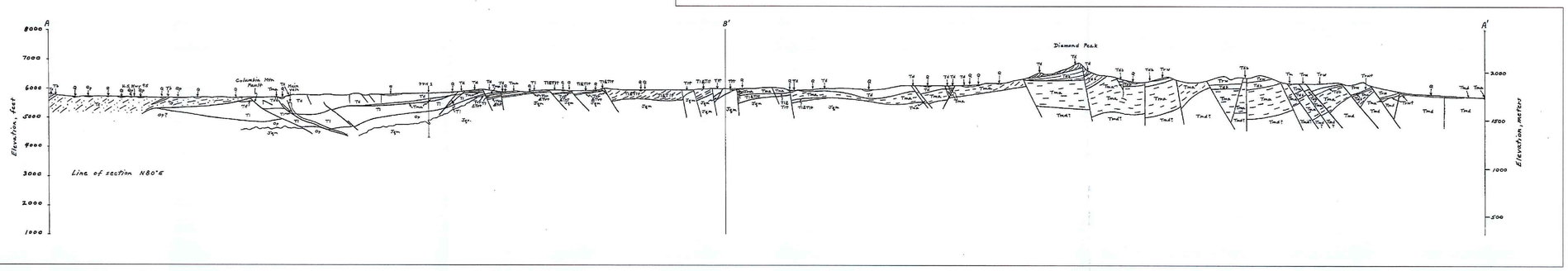

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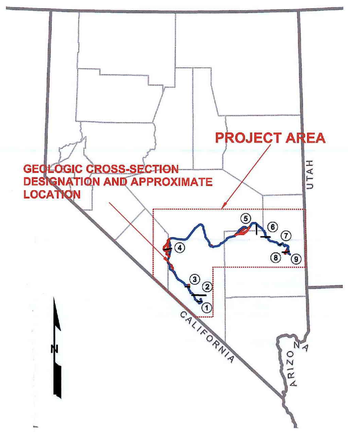

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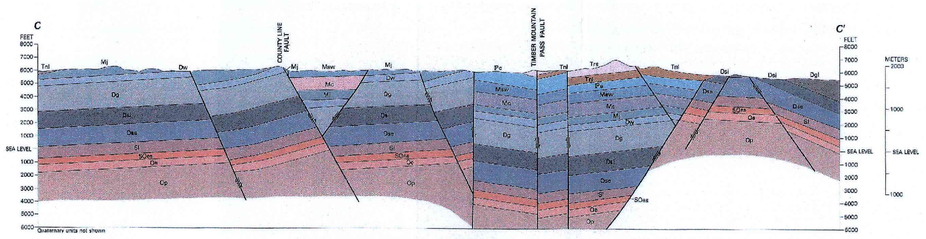
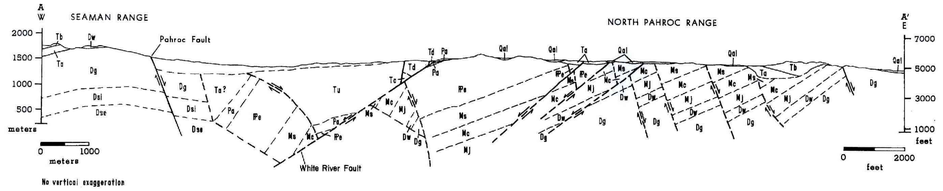


Tm Rhyolite tuff of the Seaman Range (Oligocene)
Tn Needles Range Group-Lund Formation (Oligocene)
Pe Ely Limestone (Lower Pennsylvanian)
Mscr Scotty Wash Sandstone (Upper Mississippian)
Mc Chainman Shale (Upper Mississippian)
Mj Joana Limestone (Lower Mississippian)
Dw West Range Limestone (Upper Devonian)
Dg Guilmette Limestone (Upper and Middle Devonian)
Dgl Guilmette Limestone-Lower Member (Upper and Middle Devonian)
Ds Simonson Dolomite (Middle Devonian)
Dsy Sevy Dolomite (Lower Devonian)
Sl Laketown Dolomite (Silurian)
SOes Ely Springs Dolomite (Lower Silurian and Upper Ordovician)
Oe Eureka Quartzite (Middle Ordovician)
Op Pogonip Group (Middle and Lower Ordovician)

6 SECTION A - A' FROM SPATIAL AND TEMPORAL RELATIONS OF CENOZOIC VOLCANISM AND EXTENSION IN THE NORTH PAHROC AND SEAMAN RANGES, EASTERN NEVADA, BY TAYLOR, 1990.



EXPLANATION

Qal Quaternary
Tu 24 -18 Ma units
Tc 27 - 24 Ma units
Tb 30 - 27 Ma units
Te >30 Ma Tertiary units
Pa Permian Arcturus Fm.
IPe Pennsylvanian Ely Limestone
Ms Mississippian Scotty Wash Quartzite
Mc Mississippian Chainman Shale
Mj Mississippian Joana Limestone
Dw Devonian West Range Limestone
Dg Devonian Guilmette Limestone
Dsl Devonian Simonson Dolomite
Dsm Devonian Sevy Dolomite

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7 SECTION F - F' FROM STRUCTURAL GEOLOGY OF THE BLACK CANYON RANGE, THE BLUFFS, AND SOUTHWESTERN HIGHLAND RANGE, LINCOLN COUNTY, NEVADA, BY SLEEPER, 1989

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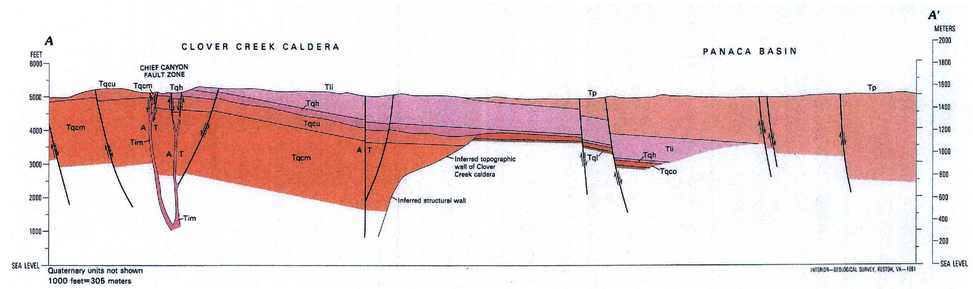
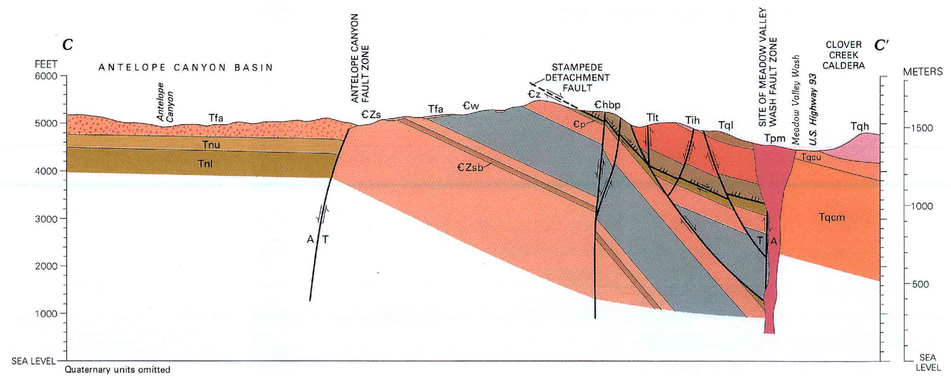


Tp Panaca Formation (Pliocene and upper Miocene)
Tim Porphyry of Meadow Valley Wash (Miocene)
Tli Lava flows of Indian Cove (Miocene)
Tqh Harmony Hills Tuff (Miocene)
Tqcu Upper part of intracaldera facies
Tqcm Main body of intracaldera facies
Tqco Outflow facies
Tol Leach Canyon Formation (Oligocene)

8 SECTION C - C' FROM GEOLOGIC MAP OF THE CHIEF MOUNTAIN QUADRANGLE, LINCOLN COUNTY, NEVADA, BY ROWLEY, ET AL., 1994



Qal Alluvium and colluvium (Holocene and late Pleistocene)
Qamv Main-stream flood-plain alluvium (Holocene and latest Pleistocene?)
Qae Terrace alluvium (middle? and late Pleistocene)
Qt Talus and minor hillslope colluvium (Holocene and late Pleistocene)
Qls Landslide deposits (early Holocene or late Pleistocene)
Qfm Fan alluvium of Meadow Valley (Holocene and latest Pleistocene?)
Qfr Fan alluvium of 11001 Ranch (late Pleistocene)
Qfmv Fan alluvium of Miller Spring Wash (middle Pleistocene)
Qfo Fan alluvium of Osborrow Ranch (middle? and early Pleistocene)
Qfc Fan alluvium of Chief Mountain (early Pleistocene or late Pliocene)
Tfa Fan alluvium of Antelope Canyon (Pliocene)
Tb Basalt (Pliocene)
Tp Panaca Formation (Pliocene and upper Miocene)
Tnu Upper part
Tnl Lower part
Tte Tuff of Etna (Miocene)
Tmh Rhyolite dikes (Miocene or Oligocene)
Tm McCullough Formation (Miocene)
Tvk Volcanic rocks of Klondike Spring (Miocene)
Th Hiko Tuff (Miocene)
Tpm Porphyry of Meadow Valley Wash (Miocene)
Tr Lava flows (Miocene)
Tli Lava flows of Indian Cove (Miocene)
Tqh Harmony Hills Tuff (Miocene)
Tqcu Upper part of intracaldera facies
Tqcm Main body of intracaldera facies
Tqci Intracaldera intrusion
Tqco Outflow facies
Tqss Sweet Tuff Member
Tol Leach Canyon Formation (Oligocene)
Tpa Pahranagat Formation (Miocene)
Tvs Volcanic and sedimentary rocks (Miocene or Oligocene)
Tcc Cobalt Canyon stock (Oligocene)
Tdike Dike
Tlt Lava flow and tuff (Oligocene)
Tth Hole-in-the-Wall Tuff Member
Tsb Saddleback Tuff Member
Tsp Shingle Pass Tuff (Oligocene)
Tmo Monotony Tuff (Oligocene)
Tc Conglomerate (Oligocene, Eocene, or Paleocene)
CHp Highland Peak Formation, undivided (Upper and Middle Cambrian)
Cbe Stop Ridge Member (Middle Cambrian)
Cbw Burnt Canyon Member (Middle Cambrian)
Cbo Barrows Member (Middle Cambrian)
Cw Wood Canyon Formation (Lower Cambrian)
CZs Stirling Quartzite
CZb Basalt lava flow-
CZp Pioche Shale(Middle and Lower Cambrian)
Cz Zabriskie Quartzite (Lower Cambrian)

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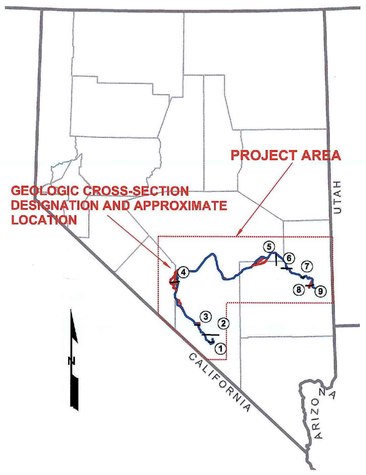

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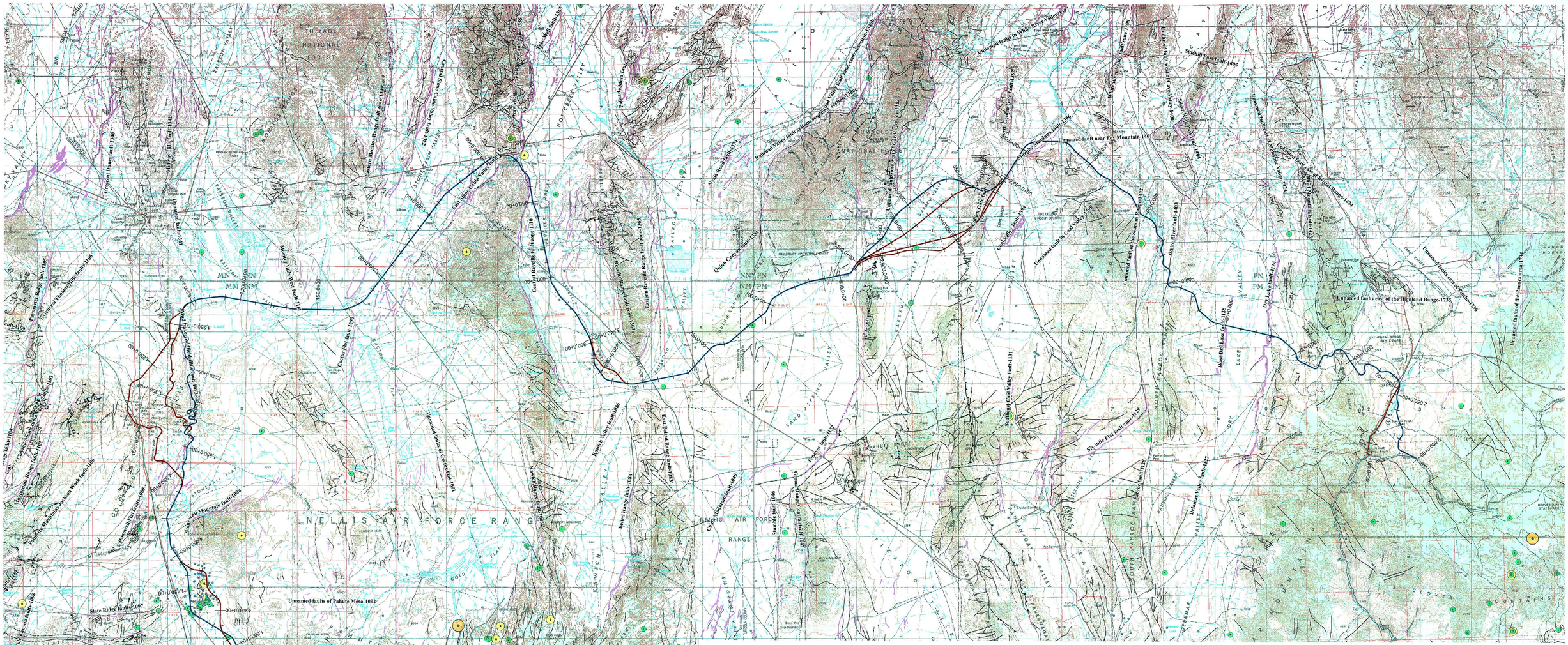
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