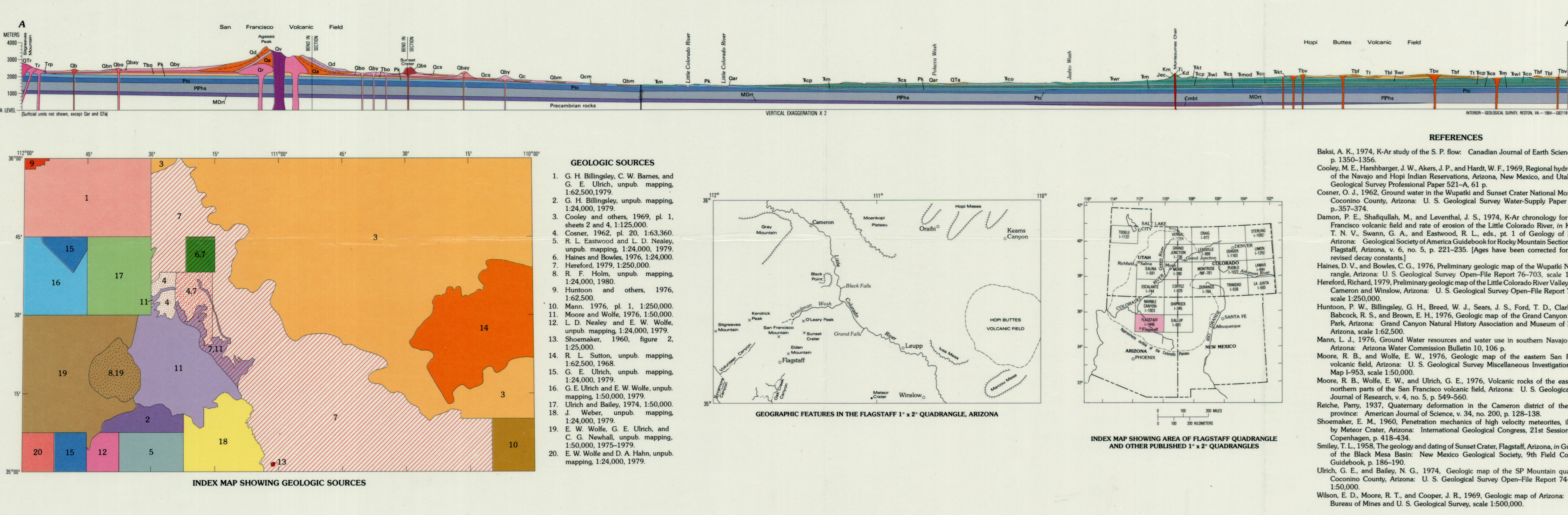


DESCRIPTION OF MAP UNITS

- SURFICIAL DEPOSITS**
 - Qa1 SILT, SAND, GRAVEL, AND BOULDERS (HOLOCENE AND PLEISTOCENE)—Includes alluvium, colluvium, and eolian, glacial, and glaciofluvial for San Francisco Mountain deposits. Podzols bounding faults.
 - Qa2 EOLIAN DEPOSITS (HOLOCENE TO PLEISTOCENE)—Sand, well-sorted. Forms extensive sand sheet between 0 and more than 40 ft (13 m) thick. Most are derived from the modern floodplain of the Little Colorado River; some are derived from older alluvial deposits.
 - Qa3 PLAYA DEPOSITS (HOLOCENE TO PLEISTOCENE)—Silt and clay, thinly stratified on flat floor of shallow undrained desert lake basin.
 - Qa4 LANDSLIDE DEPOSITS (HOLOCENE AND PLEISTOCENE)—Unsorted rock debris, ranging in diameter from less than 1 to 30 ft (0.3-10 m) commonly occurring in narrow channels through the Little Colorado River.
 - Qa5 ALLUVIUM (HOLOCENE)—Sand, silt, and clay with minor interbedded gravel. Recent floodplain deposits of the Little Colorado River and tributaries entering from the northeast.
 - Qa6 ALLUVIUM (PLEISTOCENE)—Gravel and sand, 10 to 20 ft (3-6 m) thick. Occurs 5 to 20 ft (2-6 m) above present channel of Little Colorado River.
 - Qa7 ALLUVIUM UNIT M (PLEISTOCENE)—Silt, clay, and sand deposited as valley fill upstream from Grand Falls. Valley fill resulted from damming of the Little Colorado River by basal flow (Qa8) from Merritt-Cater area.
 - Qa8 ALLUVIUM UNIT A (PLEISTOCENE)—Gravelly sand and interbedded sand and silt, locally with large blocks of limestone derived from the Permian Kaibab Formation. Unit 120 ft (40 m) thick near Black Falls.
 - Qa9 ALLUVIUM UNIT C (PLEISTOCENE)—Silt, clay, and sand with several thin interbedded pebbly gravels, 100-120 ft (33-40 m) thick near Cameron. Deposition of this unit was caused by damming of the Little Colorado River at Cameron by basal flow (Qa10), of Tappan age (0.53 ± 0.08 m.y., Damon and others, 1974).
 - Qa10 ALLUVIUM UNIT B (PLEISTOCENE)—Gravelly sand with interbedded sand and silt, 100-120 ft (33-40 m) thick near Black Falls.
 - Qa11 ALLUVIUM UNIT A (PLEISTOCENE)—Gravelly sand with interbedded sand and silt, 115 to 138 m thick near Black Falls.
 - Qa12 YOUNGER ALLUVIUM (PLEISTOCENE)—Includes alluvial units E, D, and the upper part of B, undifferentiated.
 - Qa13 OLDER ALLUVIUM (PLEISTOCENE)—Includes the lower part of alluvial unit B, all of unit A, and the Quaternary part of unit Qa1. Undifferentiated.
 - Qa14 GRAVEL AT DEADMAN WASH (PLEISTOCENE)—Gravel, pebbles to boulders, interbedded and surrounded, with interbedded sand, clasts of silt, sandstone, and mafic rocks derived from San Francisco Mountain, 20 to 80 ft (6-26 m) thick. Occurs as 3 separate deposits along Deadman Wash, one of which overlies by a basal flow dated at 0.50 ± 0.11 m.y. (P. E. Damon, written commun., 1979).
 - Qa15 ALLUVIUM (PLEISTOCENE TO PLEIOCENE)—Interbedded sand, silt, and clay with some interbedded gravel, 130 to 160 ft (43-53 m) thick near Rincon Basin.
 - Qa16 ALLUVIUM (PLEIOCENE)—Sand, silt, and clay deposits with some interbedded gravel, 130 ft (43 m) thick near Rincon Basin. Possibly equivalent to the alluvium beneath the basal flow on Black Point (Haines and Bowles, 1976) which has been dated at 2.43 ± 0.32 m.y. by Damon and others (1974).
 - Qa17 OLDER TERTIARY ALLUVIUM (PLEIOCENE)—Sand, gravel, and silt on Montezuma Plateau. Contains pebbles, cobbles, and small boulders derived from the Cretaceous rocks on Black Mesa.
 - Qa18 SANDSTONE AND GRAVEL (MIOCENE)—Weakly consolidated interbedded sand and gravel, contains clasts of Paleozoic and Precambrian rocks as much as 2 ft (0.6 m) in diameter. Underlies Miocene basins in Spangone and Oak Creek Canyons.
- ROCKS OF SAN FRANCISCO VOLCANIC FIELD**
 - Qb1 BASALT OF SUNSET CRATER (PITVIC SEQUENCE) (HOLOCENE)—Time of eruption determined from radiocarbon, dendrochronologic, and paleomagnetic data (Simley, 1958; Shoemaker, written commun., 1977) was approximately A.D. 1065 to 1120.
 - Qb2 BASALTIC ANDERITE AND BLENKETT FROM ERUPTION OF SUNSET CRATER (HOLOCENE)—Shown only where underlying unit cannot be seen or interpreted from topography.
 - Qb3 BASALT OF MERRIAM AGE (PLEISTOCENE)—Dated at 150,000 years old or less, by P. E. Damon, unpub. data, 1979. Flow surface is rough and unweathered; vent is sharp rimmed.
 - Qb4 BASALTIC ANDERITE AND ASH BLANKET FROM VENT OF MERRIAM AGE (PLEISTOCENE)—Shown only where underlying unit cannot be seen or interpreted from topography. Locally includes alluvium.
 - Qb5 BASALTIC ANDERITE OF MERRIAM AGE (PLEISTOCENE)—Flow surface is very fresh and generally blocky. Cone is sharp rimmed with spatter. Composition similar to pre-Merriam basaltic andesite (see Qb1); locally includes alluvium.
 - Qb6 BASALT OF PRE-MERRIAM AGE (PLEISTOCENE)—Flow is undisturbed and lies close to level of present drainage.
 - Qb7 BASALTIC ANDERITE OF PRE-MERRIAM AGE (PLEISTOCENE)—Andesite of basaltic texture commonly contains several pebbles, augite, and olivine in partly glassy groundmass. Quartz, amphibole, or hypersthene may be present.
 - Qb8 BASALT OF PRE-MERRIAM AGE AND WITHIN THE BRUNNES EPOCH (PLEISTOCENE)—Normal polarity and less than approximately 0.7 m.y. old by Meyer-Carter, Arizona, International Geological Congress, 21st Session, pt. 18, Copenhagen, p. 419-434.
 - Qb9 BASALT OF PRE-BRUNNES EPOCH (PLEISTOCENE)—Normal or reversed polarity and between approximately 0.7 and 1.8 m.y. old (Blailes most flows of Woodhouse age (0.8-3.0 m.y.)) (Moore and others, 1976).
 - Qb10 BASALTIC ANDERITE AND ASH BLANKET FROM VENTS OF BRUNNES EPOCH (PLEISTOCENE)—Shown only where underlying unit cannot be seen or interpreted from topography. Locally includes alluvium.
 - Qb11 BASALTIC ANDERITE OF PRE-MERRIAM AGE AND WITHIN THE BRUNNES EPOCH (PLEISTOCENE)—Composition similar to other pre-Merriam basaltic andesite (see Qb1).
- ENTRADA SANDSTONE AND CARBON FORMATION (MIDDLE JURASSIC)**
 - Jec Reddish-brown siltstone and sandstone, and white cross-stratified sandstone. Thickness 0-395 ft (0-120 m).
 - Jbn NAVAJO SANDSTONE (JURASSIC AND TRIASSIC?)—Grayish-orange-pink, even-grained, thickly cross-stratified sandstone. Thickness 0-645 ft (0-197 m). Pinches out to east.
 - Jkt KAVANTA FORMATION (UPPER TRIASSIC?)—Silty facies, grayish-red mudstone, siltstone, and sandstone. Thickness 0-60 ft (0-18.3 m). Pinches out to southeast.
 - Jtm DISCARL CANYON SANDSTONE MEMBER OF MOENKOPI FORMATION (UPPER TRIASSIC?)—Orange-red, cross-stratified and flat-bedded sandstone and sandy siltstone. Thickness 100-400 ft (30-122 m). Pinches out eastward beneath Hays River volcanic field.
 - Jtw WINGATE SANDSTONE (UPPER TRIASSIC?)—Lithologic member—Reddish-brown fine-grained, cross-stratified sandstone. Rock Form Member—Reddish-brown siltstone and mudstone. Thickness 800 ft (0-245 m). Pinches out to northwest.
 - Jtc CHINLE FORMATION (UPPER TRIASSIC?)—Oolitic member—Mottled light-gray and grayish-pink interbedded limestone and calcareous siltstone. Thickness from 330 ft (100 m) near Little Colorado River to 620 ft (190 m) beneath Black Mesa.
 - Jtd PERIFIED FOREST MEMBER—Claystone, siltstone, and minor sandstone, variegated. Thickness 0-920 ft (0-280 m).
 - Jte STANWYMER MEMBER—Light-gray to yellowish-gray sandstone and conglomerate. Thickness 0-70 ft (0-21 m).
 - Jtf MOENKOPI FORMATION (MIDDLE AND LOWER TRIASSIC)—Reddish-brown mudstone, siltstone, silty sandstone, and sandstone. Thickness 0-370 ft (0-113 m).
 - Jtg MIDDLE AND LOWER TRIASSIC AND PALEOZOIC SEDIMENTARY ROCKS, UNDIFFERENTIATED—Sandstone, shale, siltstone, limestone, dolomite, limestone, and dolomite, upturned on east side of State Mountain. Rhylite dome (Dr) (P. E. Damon, unpub. data, 1979).
 - Jth PALEOZOIC SEDIMENTARY ROCKS, UNDIFFERENTIATED—Sandstone, shale, siltstone, limestone, dolomite, limestone, and dolomite; upturned around northern part of Eldon Mountain. Rhylite dome (Dr) (P. E. Damon, unpub. data, 1979).
 - Jti KAIBAB FORMATION (LOWER PERMIAN)—Yellowish-gray to light-gray silt, dolomite, limestone, minor sandstone and dolomite limestone. Locally map unit includes lower part of Moenkopi Formation. Thickness 0-510 ft (0-155 m). Thickest in southwest corner of area; pinches out eastward.
 - Jtj TORREY FORMATION AND COCONINO SANDSTONE (LOWER PERMIAN)—Light-colored, cross-stratified sandstone, facies of siltstone, sandstone, and dolomite occur in the Torreypop on western edge of map. Coconino laterally equivalent to the Chino sandstone to north and east. Thickness 0-60 ft (0-18.3 m).
 - Jtk HERMIT SHALE (LOWER PERMIAN) AND SUPAI FORMATION (LOWER PERMIAN TO LOWER PENNSYLVANIAN)—Combined thickness 1200-2385 ft (375-727 m). Hermit Shale—Reddish shale and interbedded sandstone and shale. Present in northwest corner only.
 - Jtl SUPAI FORMATION—Reddish siltstone, cross-stratified sandstone, some limestone in the lower part.
 - Jtm BUTTE LIMESTONE (UPPER AND MIDDLE DEVONIAN)—Combined thickness 0-665 ft (0-202 m). Units pinch out to southeast.
 - Jtn REDWALL LIMESTONE (UPPER AND LOWER MISSISSIPPIAN) AND TEMPLE BUTTE LIMESTONE (UPPER AND MIDDLE DEVONIAN)—Combined thickness 0-665 ft (0-202 m). Units pinch out to southeast.
 - Jto Temple Butte Limestone—Dolomite, red limestone, sandy limestone, and gray sandstone.
 - Jtp MUAU LIMESTONE AND BRIGHT ANGEL SHALE (MIDDLE CAMBRIAN) AND TAFELATS SANDSTONE (MIDDLE AND LOWER CAMBRIAN) OF TOROYO GROUP—Toroyto Group absent or subsurface in mosters half of area. Combined thickness 0-340 ft (0-104 m).
 - Jtq Muau Limestone—Mottled gray and purple dolomite limestone. Lower part of Muau interbedded with upper part of Bright Angel.
 - Jtr Bright Angel Shale—Mainly green, purple, and reddish-brown siltstone interbedded with light-brown sandstone in the lower part.
 - Jts Tapatsi Sandstone—Medium- to coarse-grained sandstone and pebble conglomerate, commonly cross-bedded.
- CONTACTS**
 - Da—Dashed to show subdivisions of lava flows in the San Francisco volcanic field.
 - Fi—Dotted where inferred; dotted where concealed; bar and ball on downward side. Prelate alluvium where shown bounding it.
 - Fs—Strike and Dip of BEDS—Dips in fractions of degrees in Little Colorado River valley determined by plane table on resistant layers.
 - M—MONOCLINE, SHOWING TRACE OF AXIS—Located approximately midway between top and bottom hinges of fold. Length of arrow indicates distance between hinges. Trace of axes.
 - Ant—ANTICLINE, SHOWING TRACE OF AXIS—Dotted where concealed.
 - S—SYCLINE, SHOWING TRACE OF AXIS—Dotted where concealed.
 - C—CRITER AND/OR SPATTER CONE OF BASALTIC COMPOSITION—Explains in origin; locally contains abundant scoria. Blastomorphs formed oxidized and indurated part of older cones. Occurs in various amount within basaltic vents of various ages.
 - Co—COLLAPSE STRUCTURE—Breccia pit(?) or dip.
 - P—FISURE-CONTROLLED LAVA RIDGE.
 - H—HYDRATED TUFF AND TUFF BRECCIA OF BASALTIC COMPOSITION IN SAN FRANCISCO VOLCANIC FIELD—Forms tuff ring or near where explosive in origin; locally contains abundant scoria. Blastomorphs formed oxidized and indurated part of older cones. Occurs in various amount within basaltic vents of various ages.
 - Ca—COLLAPSE STRUCTURE—Breccia pit(?) or dip.
 - P—FISURE-CONTROLLED LAVA RIDGE.



Geologic Map
MAP SHOWING GEOLOGY, STRUCTURE, AND URANIUM DEPOSITS OF THE FLAGSTAFF 1° x 2° QUADRANGLE, ARIZONA
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