

LEGEND

Note: Map units listed below occur within one metre of the surface. Where organic or eolian sediments < 1 m thick overlie these, a pattern is overlaid upon the map unit. Along some valleys, colluvial or alluvial sediments > 1 m thick overlie older alluvial gravels that could contain placer gold. In order to accentuate these potentially exploitable deposits, a compound map unit is presented, e.g., Cx/AtT. This means that colluvial complex sediments overlie alluvial terrace sediments thought to be late Tertiary in age. This legend is part of a larger regional study hence coloured boxes indicate units that appear on this map. In addition, not all symbols in the legend are represented on this map.

CENOZOIC QUATERNARY *HOLOCENE*

Made Land: placer mines, roads, and airstrip

ORGANIC DEPOSITS: peat and organic silt formed predominantly by the accumulation of vegetative material in bogs, fens, and swamps situated on valley bottoms; permafrost is commonly encountered within 1 m of the surface. Thermokarst collapse is common.

O Organic Blanket: undivided; thickness > 1 m to 5 m

Organic Veneer: blanket bog generally < 1 m thick

ALLUVIAL DEPOSITS: gravel to silt size sediments, well stratified, deposited by

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Floodplain Sediments: gravel, cobble to pebble; massive to well stratified, capped by sand and silt; flat lying; includes lacustrine and organic deposits in abandoned channels and backswamp areas; subject to periodic inundation and reworking by floods; thickness 1 to 5 m

Af Afluvial Fan Sediments: gravel, sand, silt, and diamicton, massive to well stratified; sediments form fan-shaped landforms or complexes of coalesced fan-shape landform at the confluence of tributary streams; may be subject to flooding accompanied by sudden stream migration and inundation; thickness up to 10 m

Alluvial Sediments Complex: sediments forming floodplains, fans, and terraces as above that cannot be subdivided at this map scale

HOLOCENE AND PLEISTOCENE (UNDIVIDED)

breakdown of bedrock and subsequent reworking and transportation by creep, solifluction, and landsliding; colluvial deposits may contain reworked glaciofluvial and morainal sediments within the limits of pre-Reid ice-cover and reworked eolian sediments; colluvial deposits are products of formation and reworking over a significant part of the Pleistocene and Holocene epochs

Colluvial Blanket and Veneer Sediments: diamicton, stony with a sandy matrix;

massive to poorly stratified; colluviated blankets generally conform to underlying

COLLUVIAL DEPOSITS: stony diamicton resulting from the physical and chemical

bedrock and exceed 1 m in thickness; veneers are < 1 m in thickness and are commonly discontinuous over bedrock

Colluvial Apron Sediments: bouldery diamicton and bouldery sandy gravel, poorly sorted; massive; sediments form a wedge-like slope-toe complex of small steep debris

up to 5 m or more in the thickest part of the apron

Landslide Sediments: silt loam to boulders, poorly sorted to unsorted; massive; clasts are subangular to angular and are locally derived; thickness varies greatly

Colluvial Complex Sediments: areas of intergrading colluvial and alluvial sediments which are too complex to subdivide at the scale of mapping; unit may include colluvial and alluvial fan, colluvial blanket, landslide sediments and colluviated drift within the limits of glaciation; the unit commonly occurs along the lower slopes of valley margins

Colluvial/Eolian Apron (muck): primary deposits of eolian fine sand and silt resedimented and interstratified with organic silt, and detritus, alluvial fan gravel and sand and variable amounts of stony colluvial diamicton; forms aprons along valley bottoms through resedimentation of eolian sediments from valley sides to valley floor, commonly preserved on north-facing slopes; thickness 1 to 20 m; commonly contains segregated bodies of ice and buried ice wedges

MIDDLE TO LATE PLEISTOCENE (UNDIVIDED)

ALLUVIAL DEPOSITS: gravel and sand deposited by streams that were not fed by glacial meltwater; sediments may have experienced several cycles of alluviation and erosion, but are now inactive due to burial or fluvial incision; basal gravels within these sediments commonly contain placer gold

Alluvial Terrace Sediments: gravel, cobble to pebble with a sandy matrix; massive to well stratified; capped by sand and silt; sediments are of flood plain origin now isolated from flooding by stream incision; thickness 1 m to 10 m

Alluvial Fan Sediments: single fans or aprons of coalesced fans formed of gravel and sand, poorly to moderately sorted, now isolated from water and debris floods due to fluvial incision; sediments disturbed by cryoturbation; thickness up to 10 m

Alluvial Complex Sediments: silt, sand and gravel, poorly to moderately sorted; thin to thick bedded, interstratified with colluvial diamicton; sediments underlie the floors and margins of narrow upland valleys and grade laterally up slope into colluvial blankets; sediments may represent several depositional cycles; thickness may exceed 10 m in mid-valley locations

EOLIAN DEPOSITS: well sorted medium sand to silt initially transported and deposited by wind action during glaciations and commonly resedimented through fluvial and

colluvial processes; deposits of very fine sand and coarse silt < 1 m thick are

Eolian Blanket: fine sand and silt, well sorted; massive; may form crescent-shape and linear dunes and featureless or gently undulating inter-dune eolian plains; thickness 1

to 5 m

Eolian Veneer: thin deposits of very fine sand and coarse silt distributed discontinuously throughout low lying areas, thickness < 1 m

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LATE PLEISTOCENE - McCONNELL GLACIATION

GLACIOFLUVIAL DEPOSITS: gravel and sand deposited by streams flowing away from glacial ice; deposits display poor soil development with rare cryoturbation

GtM Glaciofluvial Terrace Sediments: gravel and sand, unweathered, forming one or more terraces

MIDDLE PLEISTOCENE - REID GLACIATION

GLACIOFLUVIAL DEPOSITS: gravel and sand deposited by streams flowing away from glacial ice; deposits display moderate soil development with signs of cryoturbation; soil thickness < 0.5 m

GtR Glaciofluvial Terrace Sediments: gravel and sand, moderately weathered, forming one or more terraces

LATE PLIOCENE TO MIDDLE PLEISTOCENE - pre-Reid GLACIATIONS (UNDIVIDED)

GLACIOLACUSTRINE DEPOSITS: well stratified sand, silt, clay, deposited in lakes ponded by glacial ice

LuPR Glaciolacustrine Undivided: sand, silt, and clay; undifferentiated at this scale of mapping

strong chemical weathering

GLACIOFLUVIAL DEPOSITS: gravel and sand deposited by streams flowing away from glacial ice in meltwater channels and outwash plains; massive to well stratified. Surface soils may extend to 2 m depth with well developed clay skins on clasts, frequent signs of cryoturbation (ice wedge pseudomorph and sand wedges), and

GtPR

Glaciofluvial Terrace Sediments: gravel and sand, deeply weathered; incised into flights of terraces; thickness 1 to > 5 m

MORAINAL DEPOSITS (TILL): glacial diamicton, mainly till, generally consisting of a matrix ranging from sand to clay that supports clasts ranging from boulders to pebbles in size; deposited either directly from glacial ice or by gravity flow from glacial ice; surface soils may extend to 2 m depth with well developed clay skins on clasts, frequent signs of cryoturbation (ice wedge pseudomorph and sand wedges), and strong chemical weathering

Till Blanket: diamicton, stony, silty-sand matrix; massive; conforms to underlying topography, thickness > 1 m; extensively colluviated on slopes

TVPR Till Veneer: diamicton, stony, silty-sand matrix; massive; discontinuous and may contain extensive areas of thin (< 1 m) colluvium

ALLUVIAL DEPOSITS: Gravel and sand deposited by streams that were not fed by glacial meltwater; sediments may have experienced several cycles of alluviation and erosion, but are now inactive due to burial or fluvial incision; basal gravels within these sediments commonly contain placer gold

AtPR

Alluvial Terrace Sediments: sandy pebble and cobble gravel deposited by streams having a fluvial source but graded to the margins of pre-Reid glaciers or glacial drainage; thickness 1 to 5 m

UNDIFFERENTIATED DRIFT: diamicton, gravel, sand, silt and clay deposited from glacial ice, glacial streams, and glacially damned lakes; extensive weathering, poor exposure and permafrost make differentiation into component glacial sediments difficult; thicknesses commonly exceed 10 m and mask underlying bedrock topography; commonly colluviated and intergraded with colluvium; surface soils may extend to 2 m depth with well developed clay skins on clasts, frequent signs of cryoturbation (ice wedge pseudomorph and sand wedges), and strong chemical

DPR **Drift:** flat to gently sloping

LATE PLIOCENE

PLIOCENE AND LATE MIOCENE

weathering

DIPR Drift Modified by Landsliding: drift translated along failure plains into irregular steps and sub parallel scarps

DePR Fluvially Incised Drift: formerly extensive areas of drift incised by closely spaced stream valleys

WT Basalt: columnar alkaline olivine basalt and flow breccia; erosional remnants of formerly valley filling flows underlying terraces along lower Rosebud Creek; thickness 10 m

ALLUVIAL DEPOSITS: preglacial gravel and sand; highly dissected and deeply weathered

Pediment and Bajada Sediments: inclined fluvial surfaces which are found at a midslope position in unglaciated drainage systems; usually thinner than 5 m; formed

as a result of limited agradation of stream gravel and significant colluviation; composed of thin, poorly sorted gravel that contains both locally derived subangular stream gravel deposits and angular bedrock fragments

High Level Terrace Sediments (includes White Channel Gravel and equivalent sediments): weathered pebble to cobble gravel > 1 m thick; surface soils may extend

to 2 m depth with well developed clay skins on clasts, frequent signs of cryoturbation (ice wedge pseudomorph and sand wedges), and strong chemical weathering; terraces above the 500 m contour may be remnant features from the southward-flowing paleo-Yukon drainage system

PRE-LATE TERTIARY

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Bedrock: schist, gneiss, ultramafics, granodiorite, monzonite, marble, and basalt; includes areas of thin colluvial cover, blockfields, and sorted stone polygons in alpine areas

SYMBOLS

Geologic contact; defined, approximate, inferred Open system pingo, collapsed open system pingo Thermokarst collapse activity . Landslide movement direction in bedrock and colluvium Scarps created by widespread landslide movement in drift Terrace scarp (ticks on sloped side) Degraded Cirque: active during pre-Reid Glaciations Degraded Arete: active during pre-Reid Glaciations Meltwater channel: flow direction, unknown flow direction Meltwater channel: large All time (pre-Reid) glacial limit; defined, inferred Cryoplanation terrace . Landform Streamlined by glacial ice Vertebrate fossil locality Stratigraphic section Radiocarbon date in years (lab no.) Ar-Ar radiometric age on basalt . Lineaments (fault, fracture, joint system) defined by linear drainage courses, aligned gaps in ridges, or aligned breaks in bedrock slopes Abandoned valley: paleoflow defined

Abandoned valley: paleoflow undefined

Paleoflow, suspected buried valley . . .

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