

Scale 1:24,000 0.5 1 kilometer 1000 2000 3000 4000 5000 feet **CONTOUR INTERVAL 40 FEET**

Projection: Universal Transverse Mercator, Zone 11, North American Datum 1927 (m) Base map: U.S. Geological Survey Spirit Mtn. SE

Geologic mapping in UTM is no longer coincident with this base.

7.5' quadrangle (1958), Polyconic projection

PRELIMINARY GEOLOGIC MAP OF LATE CENOZOIC DEPOSITS IN THE SPIRIT MTN. SE QUADRANGLE, CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA AND MOHAVE COUNTY, ARIZONA P. Kyle House, Amy L. Brock, and Philip A. Pearthree 2008



PIEDMONT ALLUVIAL DEPOSITS AND BASIN FILL DEPOSITS

Qay Holocene alluvium

Deposits of silt, sand, and gravel on active alluvial fans, and in washes. Includes some abandoned fluvial terraces flanking active channels and coarse bouldery debris flow deposits along the East face of the Newberry Mountains.

Qai Qai₁ Qai₂ Qai₃ Late Pleistocene alluvium

Deposits of sand, and gravel on inactive alluvial fans. Moderate soil development evident as stage II-IV calcic (Bk) horizon. Locally divided into subunits $\mathbf{Qai_1}$, $\mathbf{Qai_2}$, and $\mathbf{Qai_3}$ (in decreasing age) from basis of relative topographic relations. Planar surface morphology typical of related alluvial fan landforms.

Qao Middle to early Pleistocene

Alluvial fan deposits of sand and gravel. Strongly erosional topographic form.

QTa Early Pleistocene to Pliocene

Alluvial fan deposits of sand and gravel. Forms alluvial fan surfaces cut into the Pliocene Colorado River fill (Tcb). Surfaces commonly capped with **QTbk**.

QTbk Early Pleistocene to Pliocene

Strongly developed, mesa-forming soil carbonate deposits.

Tfn Pliocene to Miocene

Indurated deposits of coarse grained alluvium ('fanglomerate') from the Newberry Mountains.

Tfb Pliocene to Miocene

Indurated deposits of coarse grained alluvium ('fanglomerate') from the Black Mountains.

Tb Late Miocene(?) to early Pliocene

Bouse Formation of Metzger (1968). Flat-lying marl and poorly consolidated mudstone, sandstone, and minor

Late Miocene

Lost Cabin beds of House et al. (2005, 2008). Pre-river integration valley fill sequence of conglomerate, sandstone, and mudstone. Two facies (fine and coarse) support a depositional model of a fine-grained basin fill unit interfingered on its base and sides with a coarser-grained valley margin unit. Clast compositions of beds in the marginal unit vary from strongly Black Mountain source to strongly Newberry Mountain source to

Taf Late to middle(?) Miocene Older valley fill deposits of flat-bedded sand and gravel. Locally to extensively tilted. Overall similar

COLORADO RIVER ALLUVIAL DEPOSITS

composition and character as the Lost Cabin beds.

Qcts Late Pleistocene

Colorado River terrace gravels

Qch Late to middle(?) Pleistocene

The Chemehuevi beds as defined by House et al. (2005). Typically composed of a lower sequence of flatbedded mud and sand overlain by an upper sequence of loose fluvial sand and gravel. Lower sequence is most common variant in this map.

Tcb Pliocene. Alluvium of Bullhead City

Thick, complex deposit of cross-stratified fluvial sand and gravel. Contains sequences of thick beds of trough cross-stratified fluvial gravel and a varying array of beds of cross-stratified clean fluvial sand. Gravels typically polylithic and well rounded. Some exposures characterized by distinct abundance of locally derived gravels. Petrified wood present but rare; subfossil wood fragments very rare, but present locally. Mapped as Tcb/Tfb where interfingered with Tfb.

BEDROCK UNITS (undivided)

Bdrk | Middle Miocene to Proterozoic

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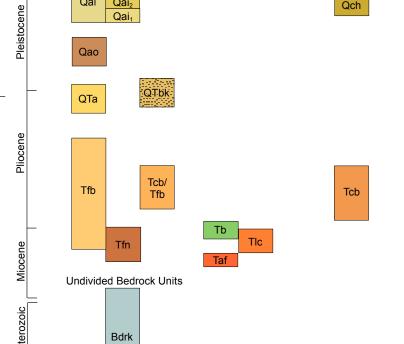
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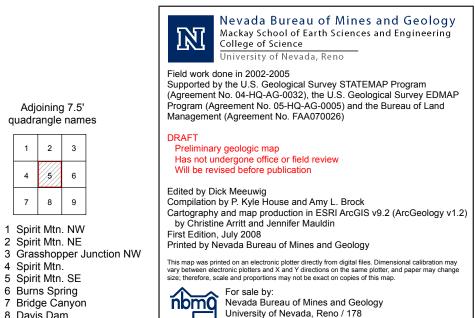
Piedmont Alluvium Basin-fill Sequence Colorado River Deposits





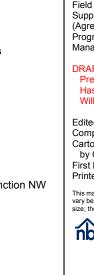
Symbology (per FGDC-STD-013-2006)

Contact Solid where certain and location accurate, long-Tephra Sample Locality dashed where approximate, short-dashed where inferred.



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Adjoining 7.5'

1 Spirit Mtn. NW

2 Spirit Mtn. NE

5 Spirit Mtn. SE

6 Burns Spring 7 Bridge Canyon

8 Davis Dam

4 Spirit Mtn.