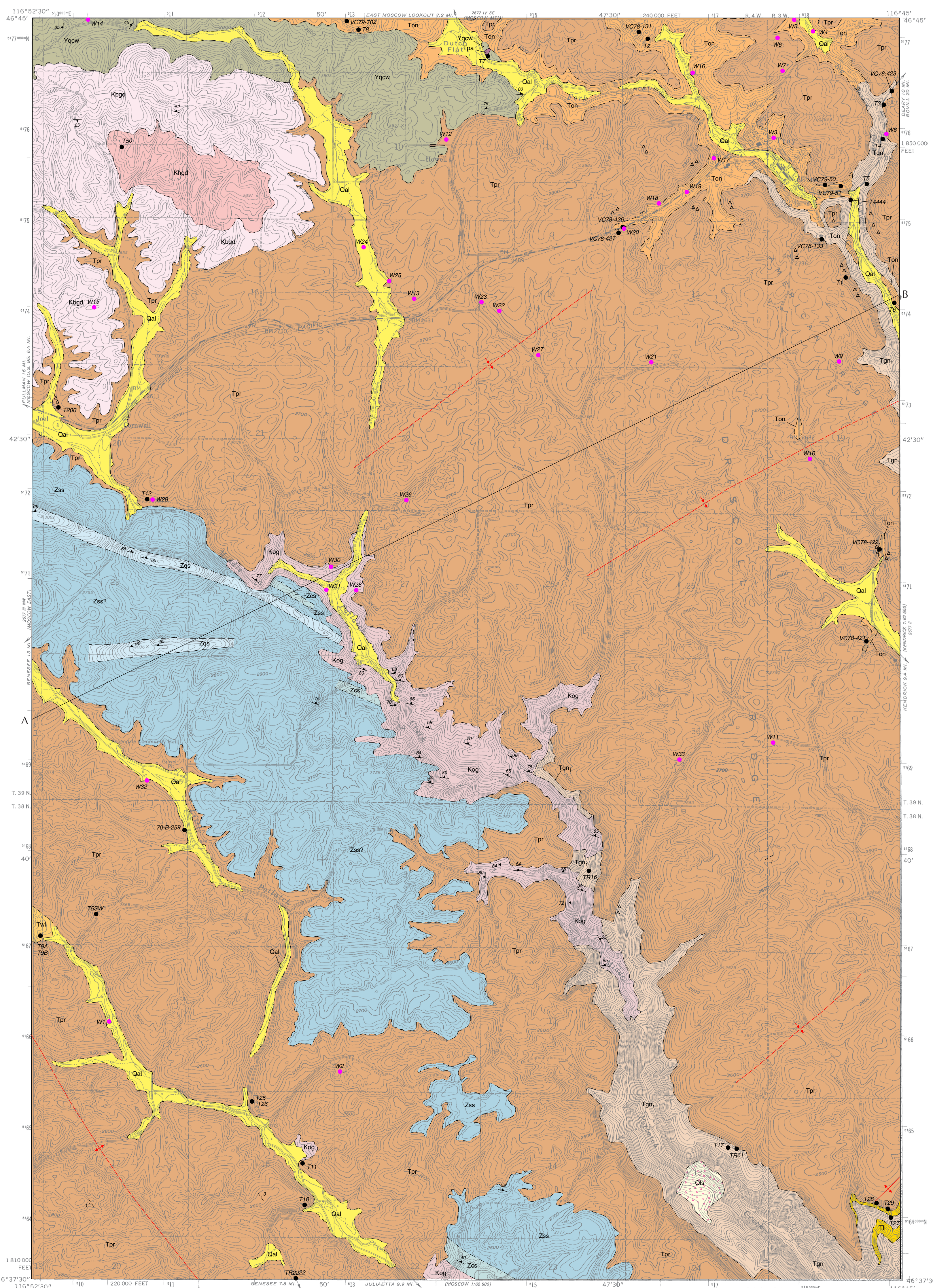
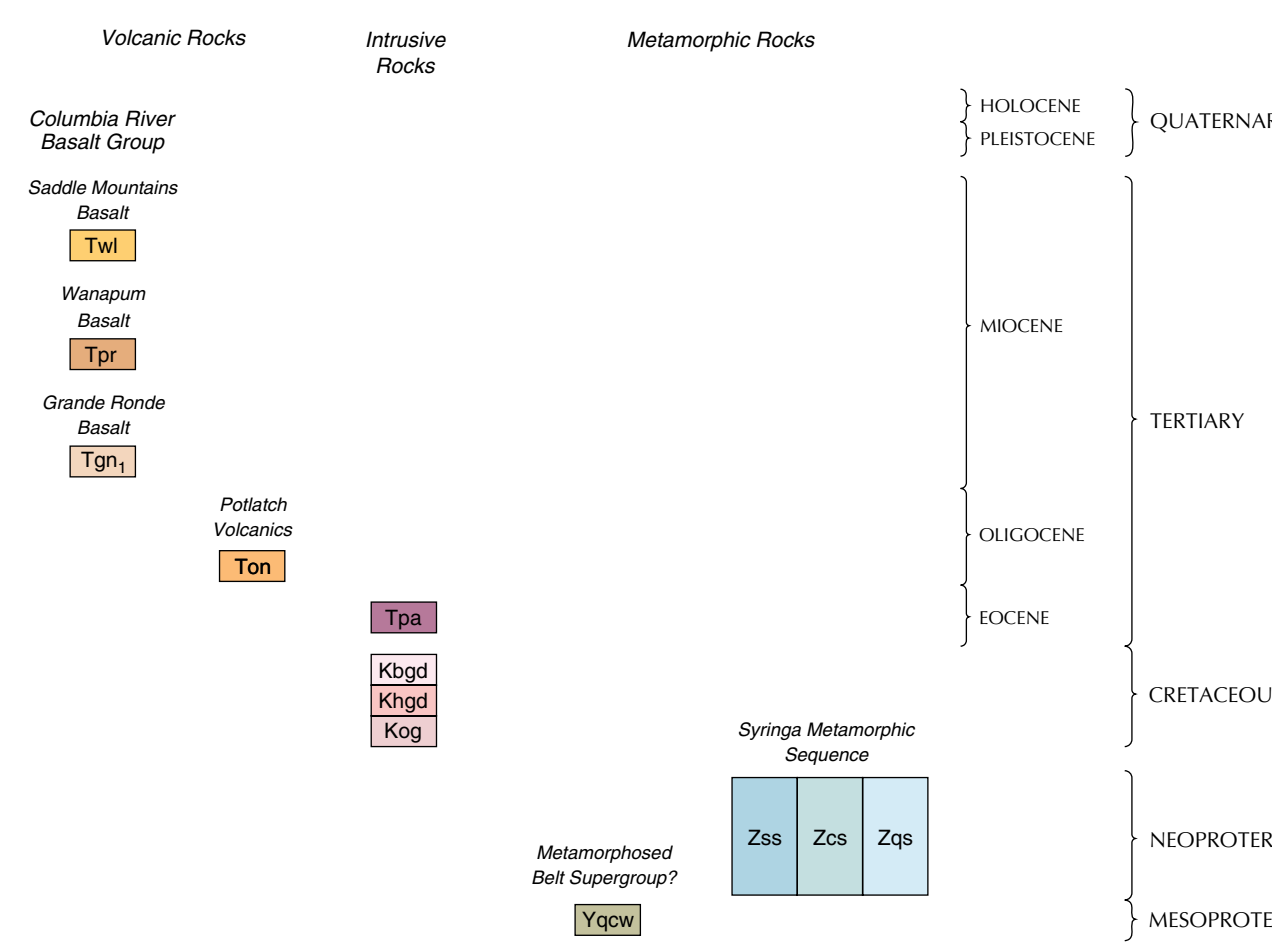


# GEOLOGIC MAP OF THE TROY QUADRANGLE, LATAH COUNTY, IDAHO

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## CORRELATION OF MAP UNITS



## INTRODUCTION

The bedrock map of the Troy quadrangle is based largely on field observations, mapping, and water well data. Regional maps by Bond (1962), Rember and Bennett (1979), Swanson and others (1979a), and Swanson and others (1980) as well as larger scale maps by Tullis (1944) and Anderson (1991) have also been consulted. The collision on steep canyon walls and the loss of the Palouse Formation are not illustrated in keeping with the emphasis on bedrock mapping. Locally, well-exposed outcrops occur in canyon areas though contacts are rarely exposed; most of these contact lines are interpreted from the Idaho Department of Water Resources in Coeur d'Alene, and well locations were field checked. The map represents a major revision of the earlier work by Bush and Priebe (1995).

The quadrangle is located in the northwestern part of the Clearwater embayment of Bond (1962) where flows of the Columbia River Basalt Group were emplaced from the south onto a steep topography developed on various basement rocks, which are now exposed on surrounding hills and in isolated canyons of the dissected basalt plateau. The flows dip gently to the south on the eastern side of the quadrangle where they are crossed by at least four minor northeast-trending faults. The dip was determined from a structural contour map on the uppermost Grande Ronde Basalt (Bush and Priebe, 1999). That basalt surface drops 600 feet in elevation from Troy to Julietta, 12 miles to the south. The elevation changes are abrupt, occurring over short distances across the monoclines.

The most significant structural feature in the basalt sequence occurs in the southwest part of the quadrangle where a narrow northwest-trending topographic ridge can be traced into the adjoining Moscow East quadrangle to the west and the Green Knob quadrangle to the south. This ridge is part of a linear structure, named the Cottonwood fault by Bond (1962), that extends for over 30 miles. To the south on the Green Knob quadrangle, it is shown as a steep westward-dipping fault (Bush and others, 2001). At several places along its length, the structure is field dominated, particularly on the northwest segment. Although a thick lens cover hinders detailed mapping, the structure is interpreted to be primarily a low-amplitude anticline or monocline in the Troy quadrangle.

## DESCRIPTION OF MAP UNITS

### SEDIMENTARY AND MASS-WASTING DEPOSITS

#### Alluvial and Landslide Deposits

**Alluvium (Holocene)**—Stream, slope-wash, and debris-flow deposits. Predominantly silt interbedded with silty sand, granules, and pebbles. Silt is mostly reworked loess; gravel fragments are basalt and granitoid mineral grains. Stream channel and overbank deposits typically are thin and interfinger with laterally thickening deposits of slope wash and debris flows derived from the erosion and mass wasting of loess of the Palouse Formation. Middle Potlatch Creek contains poorly sorted coarse deposits of subangular to rounded basalt and granitoid granules, cobbles, and boulders.

**Landslide and slump deposits (Pleistocene and Holocene)**—Poorly sorted and poorly stratified angular basalt fragments mixed with silt and clay. Includes blocks of basalt and sedimentary interbeds that have been rotated backward and moved downslope.

#### Latah Formation Sediments

**Latah Formation interbeds (Miocene)**—Sand, silt, and clay deposits of the Latah Formation interbedded with basalt flows. Commonly, these sediments are not thick or well enough exposed to show at the map scale. In the northeast part of the quadrangle, sediments interbedded with basalt flows range from white siltstone-rich clay to micaceous, poorly sorted quartz sand. The number and thickness of these interbeds decrease to the south and southwest. Most sediments represent reworked weathered crystalline rocks deposited in alluvial environments of ponded streams created by advancing lava. Many sediments contain wood fragments, scattered leaf fossils, and in rare instances petrified logs. The contact between the Grande Ronde Basalt and the overlying Priest Rapids Member is generally separated by sediment or a saprolite developed on top of the uppermost Grande Ronde flow. Sediments also occur between some Grande Ronde flows, although they are generally thin and discontinuous.

### VOLCANIC ROCKS

#### Columbia River Basalt Group

The stratigraphic nomenclature for the Columbia River Basalt Group follows that of Swanson and others (1979b). In Idaho, the group is divided into four formations, from base upward, these are the Inman Basalt, Grande Ronde Basalt, Wanapan Basalt, and Saddle Mountains Basalt. The Inman Basalt is not exposed in the Troy quadrangle. The Grande Ronde Basalt, a series of flows erupted between 16.1 Ma and 15.0 Ma (Hooper and others, 2002), is subdivided into the informal N<sub>1</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>, R<sub>1</sub>, and N<sub>2</sub> magnetostratigraphic units. Of these units, only those of the N<sub>1</sub> are exposed in the quadrangle in the canyon of Big Meadow, Little Bear, and Potlatch creeks. The Wanapan Basalt is a series of flows that erupted between 13.6 Ma and 14.5 Ma (Swanson and others, 1979a; Tolan and others, 1989). The only Wanapan Basalt flow in the quadrangle is the Priest Rapids Member, which forms most of the upland surface. Saddle Mountains Basalt, consisting of flows that erupted between 14.5 Ma and 6.0 Ma (Swanson and others, 1979a; Tolan and others, 1989), is limited to one unit, the basalt of Lewiston Orchards (Weissenfels Ridge Member). This unit is exposed only in one area at the southwestern edge of the quadrangle.

#### Saddle Mountains Basalt

**Basalt of Lewiston Orchards, Weissenfels Ridge Member (Miocene)**—Medium- to coarse-grained basalt with phenocrysts of plagioclase and olivine in an intergranular groundmass with minor glass (Hooper and others, 1985). Remnant magnetic polarity is normal (Camp, 1979; Swanson and others, 1979b). Poorly exposed in the southwest edge of the quadrangle. Two samples from one outcrop have chemistry (Table 1) similar to the basalt of Lewiston Orchards reported by Swanson and others (1979b).

#### Wanapan Basalt

**Priest Rapids Member (Miocene)**—Medium- to coarse-grained basalt with phenocrysts of plagioclase and olivine in a groundmass of pyroxene, ilmenite blades, and minor clinopyroxene. In places, phenocrysts of plagioclase as large as 4 mm are common. The flows have reverse magnetic polarity (Wright and others, 1973; Swanson and others, 1979b). Five sites corred for paleomagnetic analysis have reverse magnetic polarity. The member consists of two to four flows or flow units with a total thickness of about 250 feet and is well exposed in numerous quarries throughout the quadrangle. However, contacts between individual flow units and flows are rarely exposed. Samples from eleven localities analyzed for whole rock chemistry (Table 1) are the Tolo chemical type of Wright and others (1973).

#### Hyaloclastics

Hyaloclastics are locally interbedded with the Priest Rapids Basalt. They consist of massive to crudely layered, poorly sorted, granule to pebble breccia containing basalt, obsidian, and scoria clasts in an altered palagonitic glass matrix. Most units are crudely bedded, 0.5-1.5 feet thick, and are in places graded. Bush and others (1995b) interpreted these deposits to be near vent breccias primarily because of the near proximity of several similar dikes. Later work determined the dikes extend across the hyaloclastics from overlying and underlying Priest Rapids flows. These deposits are now interpreted to have formed by local explosive events as dammed streams relieving water across the lava flows or as flows entered recently formed lakes. This mechanism for the formation of similar hyaloclastics has been described for the Priest Rapids Member in the lower Columbia River Group (Tolan and Beeson, 1984). The hyaloclastics are most common along Little Bear Creek southeast of Troy (see symbols on map) where exposures 10-20 feet thick occur between two Priest Rapids flows or flow units; the deposits can be traced for over 5 miles. Smaller deposits are common along the Priest Rapids-basement rock contact at several localities in the quadrangle.

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## SYMBOLS

- Contact, approximately located.
- - - Fold axis, approximately located.
- - - Monocline, anticline flexure; shorter arrow on steeper limb.
- - - Anticline.
- - - Strike and dip of foliation.
- - - Estimated strike and dip of basalt flows determined from regional trends.
- Sample location and number.
- Water well location and number.
- △ Outcrop of hyaloclastite.

## POTLATCH VOLCANICS

The Onaway Member was originally named for exposures near Onaway and Potlatch in northern Latah County and was considered part of the Columbia River Basalt Group (Camp, 1981). Bush and others (1995a) agreed with Camp, "K<sub>1</sub>" and "K<sub>2</sub>" dates, however, show a late Oligocene age for these rocks (Kaufman and others, 2003). Compared chemically to most Columbia River basalt flows, the Onaway Member is generally lower in SiO<sub>2</sub> and higher in Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, TiO<sub>2</sub>, Na<sub>2</sub>O, and P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>; trace elements also show distinctive differences from most Columbia River basalts, having generally low Cr and high Ba, Sr, Zr, Nb, and Ce (Table 1). On a total alkali-silica diagram, these rocks plot in the trachybasalt and trachandite fields compared to the basalt, basaltic andesite, and andesite fields of Columbia River basalts (Kaufman and others, 2003; Kaufman and others, 2006). During our mapping, we found the Onaway (Sample T444) to be certain the Grande Ronde Basalt along Little Bear Creek just east of Troy. Near Potlatch, the Onaway Member is associated with trachytic rocks of similar age, and the name Potlatch Volcanics has been suggested for this Oligocene sequence (Kaufman and others, 2006).

**Onaway Member (Oligocene)**—Dark gray to black, fine-grained, sparsely to commonly plagioclase-phylic basalt. Phenocryst content ranges from 0 to 20 percent plagioclase laths that are typically 1 cm or less in length, but uncommonly reach 3 cm. Other minerals include opaque oxides, olivine, and clinopyroxene. Unit typically has brown weathering rinds and locally weathers to gray or purplish gray clay, commonly with shades of yellow to white. Outcrop has normal polarity, as measured in the field. In Troy, the unit is extensively weathered and has been mined commercially for clay. Water well data for the community of Troy indicate the Onaway Member is at least 500 feet thick.

## INTRUSIVE ROCKS

**Porphyritic andesite dike (Eocene)**—Gray andesite with phenocrysts of biotite, amphibole, and plagioclase. Although chemically an andesite, the rock plots near the dacite field on a total alkali versus silica diagram (sample T77, Lewis and Frost, 2005). One small outcrop was seen in the Ditch Flat area near the northern border of the quadrangle. Its age and relationship to other rock units are unclear, but it is probably a dike. Similar andesites crop out in the bottom of Dry Creek, 4 miles east of Troy, as dikes crosscutting granodiorite.

**Biotite granodiorite (Cretaceous)**—Medium- to fine-grained, massive to moderately foliated, equigranular to porphyritic, biotite granodiorite and granite.

**Hornblende granodiorite (Cretaceous)**—Medium-grained, massive to weakly foliated and weakly lineated, equigranular hornblende granodiorite and minor pyroxene-quartz-plagioclase rock (granodiorite). The granodiorite is unusual in that it lacks biotite. The granodiorite has an equant texture with numerous 120-degree grain interferences (i.e., crystalline texture) that has the composition of pyroxene tonalite. Unit may represent granodiorite that has intruded and partially assimilated calc-silicate country rocks. Alternatively, the granodiorite magma may have brought granitoid-facies basement rocks (granoids) to higher crustal levels. Chemical data for sample T50 (SE<sub>1</sub>, sec. 8, T. 39 N., R. 4 W.) are given in Lewis and Frost (2005).

**Biotite-bearing orthogneiss (Cretaceous)**—Strongly foliated, medium-grained, biotite-bearing orthogneiss. Proximately tonalite in composition but may include granodiorite in the southernmost exposures along Middle Potlatch Creek. Mode of sample from the NW<sub>1/4</sub>, sec. 34, T. 39 N., R. 4 W., is 20 percent quartz, 65 percent plagioclase, and 15 percent biotite. Anderson (1991) reports a metamorphic crystalline schist with approximately 45 percent andesine (An<sub>25</sub>), 25 percent biotite, 25 percent quartz, and 5 percent almandine garnet.

## METAMORPHIC ROCKS

**Syringa Metamorphic Sequence**  
Amphibolite-facies muscovite-biotite schist, feldspar-poor quartzite, and calc-silicate rocks underlie the western and southern parts of the quadrangle. The Syringa metamorphic sequence is characterized by feldspar-poor quartzite (typically 3 percent or less feldspar) and contrasts with Belt Supergroup quartzite that typically contains 15-25 percent feldspar. Preliminary U-Pb dating of detrital zircons from Syringa quartzite at Mason Butte, 18 miles east of the quadrangle, suggests this quartzite may be as young as 680 Ma and thus postdate the Belt Supergroup (Peter Oswald and Jeff Verwoert, written commun., 2005).

**Schist and gneiss of the Syringa metamorphic sequence (Neoproterozoic)**  
Poorly exposed, medium- to coarse-grained plagioclase-biotite-quartz schist, biotite gneiss, micaceous quartzite, and calc-silicate rocks. Common throughout are thin intervals of quartzite similar to Zep and calc-silicate rocks similar to Zcs.

Table 2. Located wells for the Troy quadrangle.

Well number	Owner's name	Elevation (feet)	Total depth (feet)	Static water level (feet)	Depth to waterbearing interval (feet)	Pumping rate (gallons per minute)
W1	Dirk Stauber	2,475	80	37	71	45
W2	Gary Esser	2,530	53	19	47	25
W3	City of Troy	2,510	515	60	58; 118; 493	170
W4	Wayne Gash	2,620	201	60	180	11
W5	City of Troy	2,665	250	48	63; 207	150
W6	City of Troy	2,730	400	62	150; 265	25
W7	Ludwig Wintling	2,715	107	35	87	18
W8	Shirley Johnson	2,630	260	160	—	40
W9	Jerry Johnson	2,710	46	5	35	30
W10	Phil Willard	2,630	204	95	184	12
W11	Alford Boggs	2,640	237	207	—	20
W12	Charles Whiteley	2,730	230	68	211	17
W13	Ulri Stauber	2,700	303	250	—	10
W14	Bren Bradberry	2,960	404	140	93	1
W15	Kula Olson	2,785	303	104	145	1
W16	Karl Stovick	2,580	79	10	39	10
W17	City of Troy	2,545	553	170	362	6
W18	Ted Bogdine	2,615	109	60	98	40
W19	C.E. Bud Johnson	2,550	60	—	36	7
W20	Larby Carlson	2,705	115	42	96	8
W21	Andy Schumaker	2,680	217	37	205	25
W22	Tari Kirk	2,700	140	37	110; 130	60
W23	Bart Schumaker	2,660	162	95	160	20
W24	Doug Hays	2,630	143	19	39; 106; 124	75
W25	Burt Nelson	2,675	180	—	158	30
W26	Lyle Jensen	2,610	63	6	45	12
W27	Owille Fredrickson	2,650	225	123	150	20
W28	Ray Jensen	2,520	90	—	74	7
W29	North Idaho Crashing	2,585	145	11	42; 70; 112	30
W30	Mark Jensen	2,525	225	70	205	35
W31	Ray Jensen	2,520	175	8	152	12
W32	Tami Huff	2,590	245	110	210	7
W33	Jack Driscoll	2,620	259	125	110; 256	15

Table 1. Major oxide and trace element chemistry of basalt samples collected in the Troy quadrangle.

Sample number	Unit name	Map unit	Major elements in weight percent										Trace elements in parts per million																
			SiO <sub>2</sub>	Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	TiO <sub>2</sub>	FeO*	MnO	CaO	MgO	K <sub>2</sub> O	Na <sub>2</sub> O	P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	Ni	Cr	Sr	Va	Rb	Sr	Zr	Nb	Ga	Cu	Zn	Pb	Cd	Th	Ce		
T2	Onaway	Ton	48.38	16.78	3.689	11.71	0.166	8.10	4.96	1.76	3.65	0.795	18	20	17	189	354	26	660	303	60	60.9	24	15	122	3	40	71	5
T6	Onaway	Ton	50.57	16.47	2.887	11.83	0.193	6.50	4.11	2.38	3.98	1.089	10	0	16	156	519	37	498	374	41	68.2	25	0	157	3	45	103	5
T8	Onaway	Ton	48.54	16.57	3.579	11.28	0.167	8.63	5.51	1.64	3.44	0.643	16	33	21	238	340	23	750	273	29	47.6	23	8	116	3	34	81	4
T444	Onaway	Ton	49.83	17.13	3.144	11.52	0.162	6.89	3.51	2.34	4.41	1.050	10	0	9	147	512	35	542	388	43	62.9	27	17	149	1	44	110	3
VC78-131	Onaway	Ton	48.41	16.14	3.830	11.11	0.170	7.48	4.63	1.83	3.59	0.610	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
VC78-422	Onaway	Ton	52.50	17.44	4.100	12.41	0.100	7.96	1.13	3.37	2.70	1.090	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
VC79-702	Onaway	Ton	48.64	16.82	3.480	12.15	0.170	8.12	5.09	1.58	3.20	0.550	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
T4	Grande Ronde	Tgr1	55.20	14.18	1.875	11.11	0.197	8.07	4.33	1.61	3.09	0.327	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
T5	Grande Ronde	Tgr1	54.99	14.52	1.932	10.75	0.222	8.26	4.40	1.31	3.29	0.332	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
T16	Grande Ronde	Tgr1	54.68	14.00	1.878	11.95	0.199	7.96	4.34	1.30	3.36	0.331	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
T27	Grande Ronde	Tgr1	56.66	13.94	2.426	10.23	0.191	7.21	3.28	2.19	3.31	0.470	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
T61	Grande Ronde	Tgr1	56.23	13.69	2.393	11.48	0.195	7.06	3.29	1.93	3.19	0.450	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
T28	Priest Rapids	Tgr1	50.43	13.40	3.353	13.53	0.232	9.18	5.00	1.23	2.83	0.815	31	89	39	372	506	29	288	187	41.6	20	13	32	154	7	22	54	4
T26	Priest Rapids	Tgr1	50.13	13.81	3.109	13.26	0.214	9.20	5.68	1.12	2.76	0.717	41	98	42	353	462	24	289	173	48.10	19	32	139	2	26	42	2	2
T29	Priest Rapids	Tgr1	50.51	13.42	3.316	13.62	0.216	9.15	4.88	1.16	2.96	0.811	32	94	41	366	494	27	288	186	46.3	23	35	143	5	32	6	3	3
T200	Priest Rapids	Tgr1	51.22	13.76	3.188	12.74	0.226	9.01	5.20	1.24	2.62	0.783	32	91	47	367	494	29	279	180	46.8	16.7	32	131	4	31	6	3	3
TR222	Priest Rapids	Tgr1	50.02	13.13	3.474	14.23	0.243	9.12	4.91	1.34	2.69	0.843	22	98	33	396	500	28	278	189	49.5	18.5	32	145	3	34	6	3	3
TS5W	Priest Rapids	Tgr1	52.08	16.15	3.830	8.51	0.156	10.50	3.61	1.15	3.11	0.905	33	130	44	418	589	32	341	201	50.0	18.8	25	31	179	1	33	6	6
VC78-133	Priest Rapids	Tgr1	49.83	14.20	3.060	14.06	0.210	9.12																					