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UTM GRID AND 1972 MAGNETIC NORTH

Topography from aerial photographs by photogrammetric methods

10,000-foot grid based on Idaho coordinate system, west zone

Aerial photographs taken 1955. Field check 1958

Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum

1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks,

To place on the predicted North American Datum 1983

There may be private inholdings within the boundaries of

the National or State reservations shown on this map

move the projection lines 16 meters north and

78 meters east as shown by dashed corner ticks

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zone 11. shown in blue

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INTRODUCTION The bedrock geologic map of the Lewiston Orchards North quadrangle represents a compilation of previous research and additional field work. Distribution of the loess of the Palouse Formation and some post basalt gravel units are not illustrated in keeping with the emphasis on bedrock geology. However, alluvium and colluvium, landslides, and Pliocene? Clearwater gravels are illustrated because their map patterns often help interpret bedrock structures. Continuous outcrops are not common and the contact lines are interpretive. Regional maps by Bond (1963), Newcomb (1970), Kehew (1976), Rember and Bennett (1979), Swanson and others (1979a, 1980), Hooper and others (1985), and Schuster (1993, 1997) were used in the compilation. In addition, maps of the

> The Lewiston Hill is a prominent topographic feature on this quadrangle. Several previous workers depicted a major east-west fault a few hundred feet below the crest of the hill (Hollenbaugh, 1959; Bond, 1963; Camp, 1976; Swanson and others, 1980; Hooper and others, 1985; and Schuster, 1993). We interpret the hill to owe its origin primarily to anticlinal folding and to be the major feature in an east-west-trending fold belt that extends from the Clarkston quadrangle on the west, eastward to at least the western edge of the Lenore quadrangle. Most researchers agree on the presence of a major anticlinal feature but disagree on the importance of associated

> Lewiston structure by Hollenbaugh (1959) and Camp (1976) were

used for some details. The basalt chemistry was analyzed by the

GeoAnalytical Laboratory at Washington State University (Table 1).

Magnetic polarities were determined using a field fluxgate

magnetometer and in places field readings were verified in the

paleomagnetic laboratory of the Idaho Geological Survey.

faulting. The fracturing and faulting exposed in the numerous roadcuts along the Lewiston Hill are considered to be mostly accommodating features related to anticlinal deformation and not features related to a nearby fault or a regional fault pattern. One of these roadcuts (11T 503336mE, 5144889 mN) was examined in detail using geochemical, paleomagnetic and stratigraphic methods. At that exposure a weathered Lewiston Orchards dike in the center of the anticline makes interpretation difficult. However, it can be demonstrated that stratigraphic offset is minor (<25 feet). Changes in dip across the Grande Ronde-Wanapum contact suggests the presence of a fault. However, these dip changes along the south side of the Lewiston Hill structure are due in part to the presence of a northwest trending cross-fold and to the fact that the contact is an

The Lewiston Hill itself is part of a doubly plunging east-westtrending anticline with the highest elevations representing the undulating crests of the fold and the lows generally representing shallow northwest-plunging cross-folds. Fold geometry is complicated by folding during extrusion and by the presence of later northwest-southeast-trending low-amplitude, long-wavelength cross folds. These folds are difficult to map because the low-angle dips and the strike directions are difficult to determine. The northwestsoutheast folds illustrated are rarely visible in the field and were delineated by detailed correlation of individual units over long distances and by interpretation of map patterns.

The thrust fault on the north side of the Clearwater River is exposed in a small bulldozer cut in the middle of section twenty-six. At that locality basalt from the R₂ magnetostratigraphic unit of the Grande Ronde overlies Clearwater gravels which are late Pliocene in age (Hooper and others, 1985; Othberg and others, in preparation). Kehew (1976) described a similar exposure approximately one mile to the west. The fault dips to the north between twenty-five and thirty degrees (see cross-section). We extended the fault westward where we interpret it to cut the Lower Monumental flow.

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DESCRIPTION OF MAP UNITS

The stratigraphic nomenclature for the Columbia River Basalt Group is based on that presented by Swanson and others (1979b). The group is divided into four formations: from base upward, these are the Imnaha, Grande Ronde, Wanapum, and Saddle Mountains. The Grande Ronde can be subdivided into four magnetostratigraphic units (Swanson and others, 1979b). Only the N₁ and R₂ members are present in the Lewiston Orchards North quadrangle. Chemistry, stratigraphic position, lateral tracing, and magnetic polarity were used to map the two units in the field.

Several basalt flows are separated in places by sediments that belong to the Latah Formation. Locally, these sediments may be laterally continuous but overall they are too thin to map across the entire quadrangle. The sediments change thickness and composition over short distances. Rare exposures occur primarily in recent roadcuts and quarries. Exposures of Latah sediments are noted on the map, but they are not depicted as separate, continuous units.

SURFICIAL DEPOSITS

Alluvium and colluvium (Holocene) -- Stream, slope-wash, and debris-flow deposits. In the plateau areas, composition commonly consists of reworked loess or mixtures of loess and basalt. Downstream from the plateau edges, basalt comprises most of the deposits until the drainages reach lower elevations where the deposits include incorporated parts of post-basalt sediments. Compositions are highly variable at the lower elevations because of the influence of several different types of river, slope-wash, and catastrophic flood sediments common to the Lewiston basin area. Composition of the surficial sediments is locally influenced by erosion of nearby Latah sediments and post-basalt Tertiary sediments. Though dominated by basalt, the Clearwater River contains sediments with a high percentage of prebasalt lithologies, reflecting headwater erosion through and beyond the eastern edge of the Clearwater embayment.

Landslide deposits (Holocene-Pleistocene) -- Highly variable rock and soil masses ranging from slumped coherent blocks to earth flows. The map pattern of this unit was modified from Othberg and others (in preparation). Slump blocks consist primarily of intact and broken sections of basalt and interbed sediments. Earth flows mainly consist of unstratified, unsorted gravel rubble in a clayey matrix derived from liquified Sweetwater Creek sediments (Othberg and others, in preparation). Location of landslides is controlled by stratigraphic position of sedimentary interbeds and the hydrogeologic regime. The largest landslides occur where valley incision has cut through the Saddle Mountains Basalt sequence exposing sedimentary interbeds to steep topography. The landslides are not considered to be relic features that are stable today (Othberg and others, in preparation). The landslide debris can be highly unstable when modified, either because of natural changes in precipitation or artificial modifications such as cuts, fills, and changes in surface drainage and ground-water infiltration.

Clearwater Gravels (Pliocene?) -- Primarily mainstream channel gravel and sand deposits that form a highly dissected terrace. This unit was modified from Othberg and others (in preparation). Terrace surface remnants, from east to west, range from 1,080 feet to 1,050 feet in elevation; an alluvial fan facies forms remnant slopes graded to the terrace. Gravel clast lithologies, foreset cross-bedding, and cobble imbrication indicates a source and westward current direction similar to the present Clearwater River (Webster and others, 1982; Hooper and others, 1985; Othberg and others, in preparation). The gravels and sands are more weathered than typical Quaternary deposits, showing yellow to brown iron oxides in the matrix, local cementation, and softening of some gravel clasts. Recent field observations by Othberg and others (in preparation) suggest a complex facies in this unit, reflecting interaction of mainstream and sidestream sources. These deposits and their stratigraphic relationships are exposured uphill from the site described by Kuhns (1980), in the POE Asphalt gravel pit in north Lewiston, and three miles to the east in a gravel pit adjacent to Groundcovers Inc. (Othberg and others, in preparation). As described by Kehew (1977), Webster and others (1982), Hooper and others (1985), and Othberg and others (in preparation) the Clearwater Gravel, and its downstream correlative Clarkston Heights Gravel, represent a major aggradational event in which an ancestral valley was filled to an

elevation of about 1,150 feet.

ROAD CLASSIFICATION

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LATAH FORMATION

Latah Formation sedimentary interbeds (Miocene) -- Clay, silt, sand, and gravel deposits that in places separate basalt flows. The most notable Latah unit is the Sweetwater Creek interbed of Bond (1963). The Sweetwater overlies the uppermost Priest Rapids flow throughout the quadrangle. It is as much as 241 feet in thickness (unpublished well data) and consists of intercalated sand, silt, clay, and ash-rich strata with local gravel stringers. Gaylord and others (1989) describe the Sweetwater Creek interbed for the Lewiston basin and conclude that deposition resulted primarily from fluvial and mixed fluvial-lacustrine sedimentation. These sediments, along with the Wilbur Creek and Asotin flows of the Saddle Mountains Formation, thicken westward toward the center of the Lewiston syncline and thin northward toward the Genesee quadrangle. Natural exposures of Latah beds are rare.

COLUMBIA RIVER BASALT GROUP: SADDLE

- MOUNTAINS FORMATION Lower Monumental Member (Miocene) -- Dense, fine-grained basalt with microphenocrysts of olivine that are readily visible with a hand lens. The basalt has a normal magnetic polarity (Choiniere and Swanson, 1979) and has been isotopically dated at 6 Ma (Mckee and others, 1977). Occurs as erosional remnants along the Snake and Clearwater rivers. Characterized by its generally consistent hackly entablature jointing.
- Weissenfels Ridge Member (Miocene) -- Medium- to coarse-grained basalt with microphenocrysts of plagioclase and olivine in an intergranular groundmass with minor glass (Hooper and others, 1985). In the Lewiston basin, there are four flows of this member with normal polarity that can be distinguished from each other in the field on the basis of size, character, and relative abundance of plagioclase and/or olivine phenocrysts (Swanson and others, 1980). On the Lewiston Orchards North quadrangle, the chemistry at three locations (C25, C48, C51) is similar to the basalt of Lewiston Orchards as reported by Hooper and others (1985). Although dikes of this flow are common in the Lewiston basin (Hooper and others, 1985; Schuster, 1993) only one was identified on the Lewiston Orchards North quadrangle where it occurs in the center of the Lewiston Hill anticline (C51). Swanson and others (1979a) show the basalt of Lewiston Orchards to be laterally continuous over much more of the quadrangle. Some of the covered, higher elevation areas are possibly underlain by this basalt. Our map patterns for this unit are interpretive, derived from both our research and the map of Swanson and others (1979a).
- Asotin and Wilbur Creek Members (Miocene) -- Consists of fine- to coarse-grained basalt that is sparsely plagioclase phyric and has normal magnetic polarity. Although not consistent, the basalt of the Asotin Member tends to be denser than that of the Wilbur Creek. The lowermost basalt, generally the Wilbur Creek, overlies the Sweetwater interbed of Bond (1963). Outcrops of these two members dominate the exposures south of the Clearwater River. No feeder dikes have been identified (Schuster and others, 1997).

Reidel and Fecht (1987) have shown that flows from these two members locally mixed at the surface to form the Huntzinger flow in the Pasco basin, indicating nearly simultaneous eruption. Chemical analyses from this study supports this idea. Wilbur Creek flows generally have higher TiO₂ and lower MgO than Asotin flows. In the Lewiston basin, the Asotin overlies the Wilbur Creek which contains an upper subunit called the basalt of Lapwai (Reidel and Fecht "mixed" chemistry being the basalt of Lapwai. Most workers attempted to delineate between the Asotin and Wilbur Creek Members and correlate between outcrops (Swanson and others, 1979a; Swanson and others, 1980; and Hooper and others, 1985). Chemically, the two members can be distinguished (Camp, 1984). Where there are good outcrops the flows can be distinguished using stratigraphic and chemical data. However, the basalts in these members were emplaced as valley-filling flows over irregular surfaces and our research showed that they cannot be correlated from locality to locality as laterally continuous units over long distances.

COLUMBIA RIVER BASALT GROUP: WANAPUM

Priest Rapids Member (Miocene) - Medium- to coarse-grained basalt with microphenocrysts of plagioclase and olivine in a groundmass of intergranular pyroxene, ilmenite blades, and minor devitrified glass. Distinguished from overlying Saddle Mountains basalt flows by its reverse polarity and distinctive chemistry (Table 1). This unit was previously identified and described by Wright and others (1973) and Swanson and others (1979a and 1980). Mapping of this unit east and northeast of the Lewiston Hill shows that it thickens and thins in relation to the folding in that area. Northeast of the hill and north of the steepest plunge of the fold, the Priest Rapids is more than two hundred feet thick, consists of two flows, and rests on a poorly developed saprolite atop thick R₂ flows of the Grande Ronde that have very large well developed columns in thick flow units. In the Lewiston Hill area near the highest crest of the anticline, the Priest Rapids thins to less than 150 feet, consists of one flow, and it rests over a well developed saprolite atop R₂ flows that locally consist of thin flow units with small poorly developed columns. These changes in flow unit thickness and column configuration are interpreted to have been caused by thinning over the developing anticline in the Lewiston Hill area. The same flows were ponded and developed into thicker flow units in the area east of the crest, probably due to intersection of the east-west-trending anticline with a northwest-southeast-trending syncline.

COLUMBIA RIVER BASALT GROUP: GRANDE RONDE FORMATION

R₂ magnetostratigraphic unit (Miocene) -- Two to three fine-grained to very fine-grained reverse magnetic-polarity flows of Grande Ronde chemical type (Wright and others, 1973; Swanson and others, 1979a; Reidel and others, 1989). Locally, the uppermost basalt unit is abundantly plagioclase-microphyric. Our comparisons suggest that the uppermost unit correlates to the Meyer Ridge unit and the lower flows to the Wapshilla Ridge unit of Reidel and others (1989). The entire sequence is at least 600 feet in thickness. Based on nineteen samples (Table 1), the basalt has intermediate to very low MgO (5.36-3.31wt%) and high to very high TiO_2 (1.72-2.54wt%)compared to other Grande Ronde units. The R₂ flows in the map area form the uppermost surface of the Grande Ronde Basalt, which is deeply weathered to saprolite at most locations.

N₁ magnetostratigraphic unit (Miocene) -- Several fine-grained aphyric, normal magnetic-polarity flows of Grande Ronde chemical type (Wright and others, 1973; Swanson and others, 1979a; Reidel and others, 1989). The unit is dominated by the intermediate to high MgO and relatively low TiO₂ flows described by Reidel and others (1989) and may correlate to their China Creek unit. Only the uppermost flows of this unit are exposed on the Lewiston Orchards North quadrangle.

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SYMBOLS

£}-	Anticline axial trace
	Syncline axial trace
T	Monocline axial trace
بهريهم	Thrust fault

Inferred strike and dip ___ C25 Chemistry sample

TIs Latah sediment exposure

QUADRANGLE LOCATION

taken 1972. This information not field checked

Purple tint indicates extension of urban areas

Revisions shown in purple compiled from aerial photographs DMA 2676 IV NW—SERIES V893

SCALE 1:24 000

CONTOUR INTERVAL 40 FEET

CONTOUR INTERVAL ON RIVER SURFACE 5 FEET

NATIONAL GEODETIC VERTICAL DATUM OF 1929

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