

Surface Geology

Boyle Quadrangle, North Dakota

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EXPLANATION

QUATERNARY SYSTEM

RECENT

Manmade Features or Deposits

Qef Engineered Fill

QAHE FORMATION

Qal Alluvium

Brownish gray to black sand, silt, clay, and lenses of gravel; flood-plain deposits along recent drainages. Includes lower terrace deposits. Typically less than 50 feet thick.

Qat Terrace Deposits

Five- to 10-foot-thick layers of sand and gravel (consisting primarily of siltstone, chert, flint, agate, petrified wood, and siltstone) found beneath flat to gently undulating slopes adjacent to creeks in the area.

RECENT/PLEISTOCENE

Qls Landslide Deposits

Variable mixture of strata and deposits that have slid to the base of steep slopes. Typically rotational slump blocks.

PLEISTOCENE

COLEHARBOR GROUP

Qac Proglacial Channels

These channels contain 50 to 200 feet of sand and gravel, silt, clay, and till (meltwater-channel fill). Overlain by Recent alluvium (Qal) of variable thickness. This map was created to distinguish between these very thick channel deposits and the moderate to thin deposits mapped as Qal.

TERTIARY SYSTEM

EOCENE

GOLDEN VALLEY FORMATION

Tcbm Camels Butte Member

Alternating beds of brown to grayish brown sandstone, siltstone, mudstone, claystone, and lignite. The coals are generally thinner than the underlying Sentinel Butte Formation and the siltstones and sandstones are micaceous.

PALEOCENE

Tbdm Bear Den Member

Brightly colored (white, orangish yellow to purple) kaolinic claystone, mudstone, and sandstone typically overlain by a thin siliceous bed (Taylor Bed) or lignite (Alamo Bluff). Forms vertical to near vertical slopes. This member is 20 to 25 feet thick in the area.

Tsb SENTINEL BUTTE FORMATION

Alternating beds of grayish brown to gray sandstone, siltstone, mudstone, claystone, and lignite. The sandstones are fine to very fine grained, moderately to poorly cemented, and contain cross-stratification.

Geologic Symbols

— Known contact between two geologic units

- - - Approximate contact between two geologic units

* Control point; typically an outcrop, drill hole, or excavation

⊗ Gravel Pit

3°/ Strike and Dip

The strike is the compass bearing of the line formed by the intersection of an inclined layer of rock and a horizontal plane and the dip is the angle of inclination of a rock layer. The dip is always perpendicular to strike.

Other Features

Interstate Highway

Paved Road

Unpaved Road

Correlation of Map Units

Recent	Qal	Qat	Qls
Pleistocene	Qac		
Eocene	Tgv	Tcbm	Tbdm
Paleocene	Tsb		

Scale 1:24,000

0 0.5 1

Miles

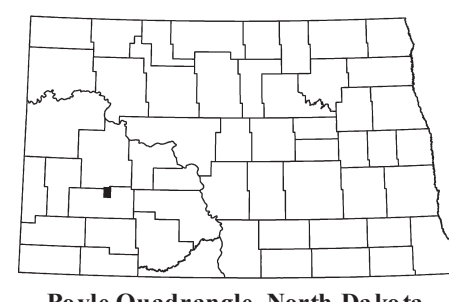
Lambert Conformal Conic Projection Standard Parallels 46° 52' 30" and 47° 00' 00"
1927 North American Datum NGVD 1929
USGS 7.5 Minute Topographic Map Contour Interval 20 Feet
Road and Hydrologic Layers Rectified to 2003 NAIP Digital Orthophoto

12° 30'

MN
1973 Magnetic North
Declination at Center of Sheet

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