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APPROXIMATE BOUNDARY OF THE
SWEETWATER CANYON WILDERNESS
STUDY AREA (WY-030-101)
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EXPLANATION OF MINERAL RESOURCE POTENTIAL

- H/C** Identified lode-gold resource
- H/B** Geologic terrane having high mineral resource potential for lode gold of Precambrian age, with certainty level C
- H/C/L/B** Geologic terrane having high mineral resource potential for placer gold of Quaternary age, with certainty level B, and low mineral resource potential for placer tin and tungsten of Quaternary age, with certainty level C, and low mineral resource potential for placer tin and tungsten of Quaternary age, with certainty level B
- L/B/C** Geologic terrane having low mineral resource potential for lode tin and tungsten (in Precambrian rocks), with certainty level B, and uranium, with certainty level C—Applies to entire study area
- N/D** Geologic terrane having no resource potential for oil, gas, or geothermal energy, with certainty level D—Applies to entire study area

LEVEL OF RESOURCE POTENTIAL	U/A	H/B	H/C	H/D
		HIGH POTENTIAL	HIGH POTENTIAL	HIGH POTENTIAL
		M/B	M/C	M/D
		MODERATE POTENTIAL	MODERATE POTENTIAL	MODERATE POTENTIAL
	L/B	L/C	L/D	
	LOW POTENTIAL	LOW POTENTIAL	LOW POTENTIAL	
			N/D	
			NO POTENTIAL	
	A	B	C	D
	LEVEL OF CERTAINTY →			

Diagram showing relationships between levels of mineral resource potential and levels of certainty. Shading shows levels that apply to this study area

H High mineral resource potential	A Available data not adequate
M Moderate mineral resource potential	B Data indicate geologic environment and suggest level of resource potential
L Low mineral resource potential	C Data indicate geologic environment, give good indication of level of resource potential, but do not establish activity of resource-forming processes
U Unknown mineral resource potential	D Data clearly define geologic environment and level of resource potential and indicate activity of resource-forming processes in all or part of the area
N No known mineral resource potential	

CORRELATION OF MAP UNITS

Qal	QUATERNARY
Tsp	
Disconformity	
Pt	PENNSYLVANIAN
IPMa	
Mm	MISSISSIPPIAN
Disconformity	
Ob	ORDOVICIAN
Cg	
Cgv	CAMBRIAN
Cf	
Unconformity	
Ed	EARLY PROTEROZOIC
Eqd	
Intrusive contact	
Wp	LATE ARCHEAN
Wg	
Wg	
Intrusive contact	
Amdg	LATE ARCHEAN METAMORPHIC ROCKS
Amdq	
Abs	
Agma	
Agmq	
Aams	

DESCRIPTION OF MAP UNITS

- Qal Alluvium (Quaternary)—Unconsolidated alluvial conglomerate, gravel, silt, and clay
 - Tsp South Pass Formation (middle Pliocene to upper Miocene)—Varied sequence of unconsolidated conglomerate and interbedded siltstone. Consists locally of pebble- to cobble-sized clasts derived from Precambrian metagraywacke, granite, diabase, amphibolite, and pegmatite. Matrix is buff to tan silt and clay (Denson and Pippingos, 1974)
 - Tu Unconsolidated sediments (Tertiary)—Undivided
 - Pt Tensleep Sandstone (Upper and Middle Pennsylvanian)—Gray to brown, thick-bedded sandstone (crossbedded), quartzite, and chert. Forms vertical cliffs
 - IPMa Amsden Formation (Middle and Lower Pennsylvanian and Upper Mississippian)—Limestone, shale, and quartzite. Forms slopes
 - Mm Madison Limestone (Upper and Lower Mississippian)—Light-colored limestone, commonly dense, thick bedded and even bedded. Forms vertical cliffs
 - Ob Bighorn Dolomite (Upper and Middle Ordovician)—White, massive, cliff-forming dolomite
 - Cg Gallatin Formation (Upper Cambrian)—Limestone, shale, and edgewise conglomerate. Forms cliffs
 - Cgv Gros Ventre Formation (Upper and Middle Cambrian)—Shale, sandstone, and minor limestone. Forms brown grass-covered slopes. Poorly exposed
 - Cf Flathead Sandstone (Middle Cambrian)—Pink to white sandstone, arkose, and minor conglomerate. Components derived from underlying Precambrian rocks
 - Ed Diabase dike (Proterozoic)—Dark green to black, medium-grained, nonfoliated diabase. Emplacement age unknown but may correlate with Proterozoic dikes in the Wind River Range dated at 2.060 Ma by the K-Ar method by Condie and others (1969)
 - Eqd Quartz diorite dike (Proterozoic)—Dark brown, coarse-grained quartz diorite
- LATE ARCHEAN GRANITOID ROCKS
- Wp Pegmatite—White to gray leucocratic pegmatite
 - Wg Leucogranite and tonalite—White medium-grained granite to tonalite. Forms irregular zones within the main granodiorite body (unit Wg). Contains late-stage minerals (alunite, epidote, and white mica)
 - Wg Granodiorite—Pinkish-white to salmon biotite granodiorite with a hypidiomorphic, medium- to coarse-grained, foliated texture. Foliation defined by elongation of phyllosilicate minerals, feldspar, and recrystallized quartz. As much as 30 percent of unit is made up of inclusions of medium- to dark-gray foliated biotite granodiorite to tonalite. Texture of the unit along the western margin becomes coarse grained and porphyritic to pegmatitic, and granodiorite contains numerous amphibolite blocks that are as much as 500 square feet in area and make up as much as 30 percent of the outcrop. The westernmost margin of the unit north of the Sweetwater River has been mylonitized. Emplacement age unknown but may correlate with the Louis Lake batholith dated at 2.630±20 Ma by Stuckless and others (1985)
- ARCHEAN METAMORPHIC ROCKS
- Amdg Miners Delight Formation (Archean) Graywacke unit—Light brown, predominantly feldspathic and micaceous immature metagraywacke and mica schist. Rock is bedded and poorly to moderately sorted, graded beds locally preserved. Interbedded andalusite-mica schist present. Grading within basal part of unit suggests that it stratigraphically overlies quartzite unit (unit Amdq)
 - Amdq Quartzite unit—Light brown, fine- to medium-grained quartzite
 - Abs Biotite schist—Predominantly dark brown, fine-grained biotite schist with minor interlayers of amphibolite (metabasalt and (or) metabasalt), andalusite schist, and chlorite schist. May correlate with the Roundtop Mountain Greenstone
 - Agma Goldman Meadows Formation Amphibolite unit—Dark green to black feldspar-biotite-plagioclase-amphibole schist, medium-grained, well-foliated and lineated, with minor interlayers of biotite and andalusite-mica schist. Protolith was probably gabbro or basalt
 - Agmq Quartzite unit—Light green to buff-gray fuchsite-bearing quartzite interlayered with minor amounts of amphibolite schist and andalusite-bearing metapelite
 - Aams Mixed mafic schist—Predominantly dark green to black mafic to ultramafic plagioclase-actinolite amphibolite schist interlayered with subordinate amounts of light-green talc-chlorite and actinolite-talc schist, andalusite-bearing mica schist, and metabasalt. Protolith may have been mafic to ultramafic rocks interlayered with argillite sediment

- Contact
- - - Fault and fault zone—Dashed where approximately located, dotted where concealed; arrows show relative horizontal movement
- ↕ Antiform—Showing direction of fold axis
- ↙ Synform—Showing direction of fold axis
- ↘ Minor folds—Showing plunge of axis
- 70 Strike and dip of beds
- ↗ Inclined—Right side up
- ↖ Inclined—Top direction unknown
- 35 Strike and dip of schistosity
- ↗ Inclined
- ↖ Vertical
- ↖ Strike and dip of cleavage
- ↖ Inclined
- ↖ Vertical
- ↗ Bearing and plunge of mineral lineation—May be combined with strike and dip of beds, schistosity, or cleavage
- ✕ Abandoned mine
- x Abandoned prospect
- SW007 Geochemical sample locality and number

MINERAL RESOURCE POTENTIAL, GEOLOGIC, AND SAMPLE LOCALITY MAP OF THE SWEETWATER CANYON WILDERNESS STUDY AREA, FREMONT COUNTY, WYOMING