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INTRODUCTION

Under Contract No. 14-08-0001-15793, awarded by the U.S. Geological Survey, Geck, Inc., of Rock Springs, Wyoming, drilled and geophysically logged 14 drill holes in the eastern Kolob area of Kane County, Utah. The purpose of the drilling was to obtain information on the depth, thickness, and quality of coal beds in parts of the Kolob coal field where no information was available.

Natural-gamma, density, spontaneous-potential, and single-point resistance logs were run in completed holes. A complete set of logs was not run for some of the first six holes because of technical problems with the logging equipment. Four holes were cored at selected intervals and samples have been submitted for analyses. (A fifteenth hole, test-hole KB-2-CB, was not completed to the depth of the major coal zone, because of drilling problems, and is not included in this report.)

Seven holes were drilled on lands administered by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM). One hole was drilled on State land and six holes were drilled on private surface rights where coal is reserved to the United States. Drilling sites were selected in cooperation with the Bureau of Land Management and reclaimed according to standards set by BLM.

Drill-hole locations are shown on the index map (fig. 1). Table 1 lists drill-hole locations, surface ownership rights, surface elevations, depths drilled and logged, cored intervals, coal intervals, and thicknesses of coal beds.

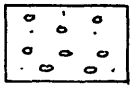
#### STRATIGRAPHIC UNITS

STRAIGHT CLIFFS FORMATION (UPPER CRETACEOUS)--Light-brown, tan, and gray, fine- to coarse-grained fluvial sandstone and gray to tan mudstone; light-gray, fine- to medium-grained marine sandstone and shale in lower part

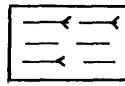
TROPIC FORMATION (UPPER CRETACEOUS)--Gray marine shale and mudstone with some fluvial tan to gray mudstone and sandy mudstone; contains tongues or lenses of littoral sandstone, including the Sugarledge sandstone west of Meadow Creek. Sugarledge sandstone is light-gray to white, porous, fine- to coarse-grained littoral sandstone

DAKOTA FORMATION (LOWER(?) CRETACEOUS)--Light-brown, tan, or gray fluvial sandstone and mudstone with some lagoonal-paludal sandstone, mudstone, carbonaceous mudstone, and coal. The two major coal zones in the region, the upper and lower coal zones, occur at the top and near the base of the formation

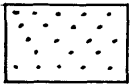
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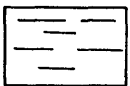
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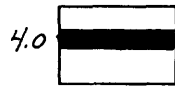
Sandstone



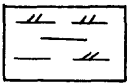
Carbonaceous mudstone or shale



Mudstone or shale



Coal bed, showing thickness in feet



Gypsiferous mudstone



Mollusk shells or shell fragments





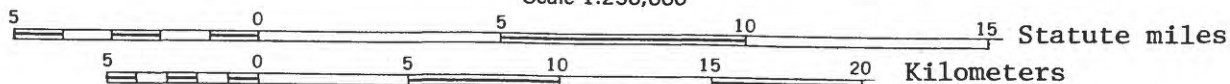
R 10 W

R 9 W

R 8 W

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CONTOUR INTERVAL 200 FEET  
WITH SUPPLEMENTARY CONTOURS AT 100 FOOT INTERVALS

Figure 1.--Drill-hole locations in the Kolob coal field, Kane County, Utah.  
(Base from Cedar City 2° sheet)

Table 1.--Summary of drill-hole information, Kolob coal field, Utah

[Measurements are in feet; to convert to meters, multiply by 0.3048]

Drill-hole No.	Location (Salt Lake Meridian)	T. S.	R. W.	Surface rights	Surface elevation	Total depth drilled	Total depth logged	Cored interval (driller)	Coal interval* (logged)	Estimated coal bed thickness (descending order)
KB-1-OR	33	40	8	Federal	6,520	665	575		U 377- 384	7.0
KB-2-OR	26	40	8	Federal	6,160	720	720		U 400- 407	7.0
KB-3-OR	16	40	8	Federal	6,870	1,280	1,283		U 880- 891	11.0
									L 1,200-1,221	2.0, 3.5, 2.0, 1.5
KB-4-OR	24	40	8	Private	5,900	720	720	360-390 680-720	U 377- 383.8 L 702- 712	6.6 2.0, 2.1, 1.5, 2.8, 2+
KB-5-OR	13	40	8	Federal	6,080	980	980		U 632- 643 L 950- 962	11.0 6.0, 3.0, 2.0, 2.0
KB-6-OR	31	40	7	State	5,800	480	460		U 85- 95 L 384- 398	2.0, 6.0 8.0, 2.0
KB-7-OR	25	40	8	Private	5,850	580	579		U 230- 237 L 532- 553	7.0 2.0, 3.0, 2.5, 1.5
KB-1-OC	28	40	8	Private	6,520	650	652	275-295 300-310 580-650	U 281- 289 L 628- 646	8.0 1.9, 1.7, 1.7, 1.0, 0.9
KB-2-OC	23	40	9	Private	7,500	800	800		U 795- 801	6.0
KB-3-OC	1	40	9	Federal	6,850	550	548		U 476- 484	8.0
KB-4-OC	6	40	8	Federal	6,820	1,120	1,111	680-700	U 670- 679 L 1,042-1,058	9.0 4.0, 1.5, 3.5
KB-5-OC	24	39	9	Federal	6,290	560	495	160-190 500-560	U 169- 176	7.0
KB-6-OC	21	40	8	Private	6,730	1,060	1,064		U 653- 665 L 1,000-1,020	7.0, 1.5 3.0, 1.5, 1.5, 2.0, 1.5
KB-7-OC	6	39	8	Private	6,900	1,160	1,160		U 1,130-1,138	8.0

\*U, Upper coal zone; L, Lower coal zone

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DRILL-HOLE LOGS, KOLOB COAL FIELD, UTAH

Hole no. KB-1-OR Date logged 8/10/77 Surface elevation (ft) 6,520'

Loc.: State UTAH Cnty. KANE T. 40 S. R. 8 W. Sec. 33, SESENE

Drilled depth (ft) 665' Logged depth (ft) 575' Water level (ft) 293'

Drilling fluid: ☒ Air ☒ Water ☐ Foam ☒ Mud ☒ Fiber

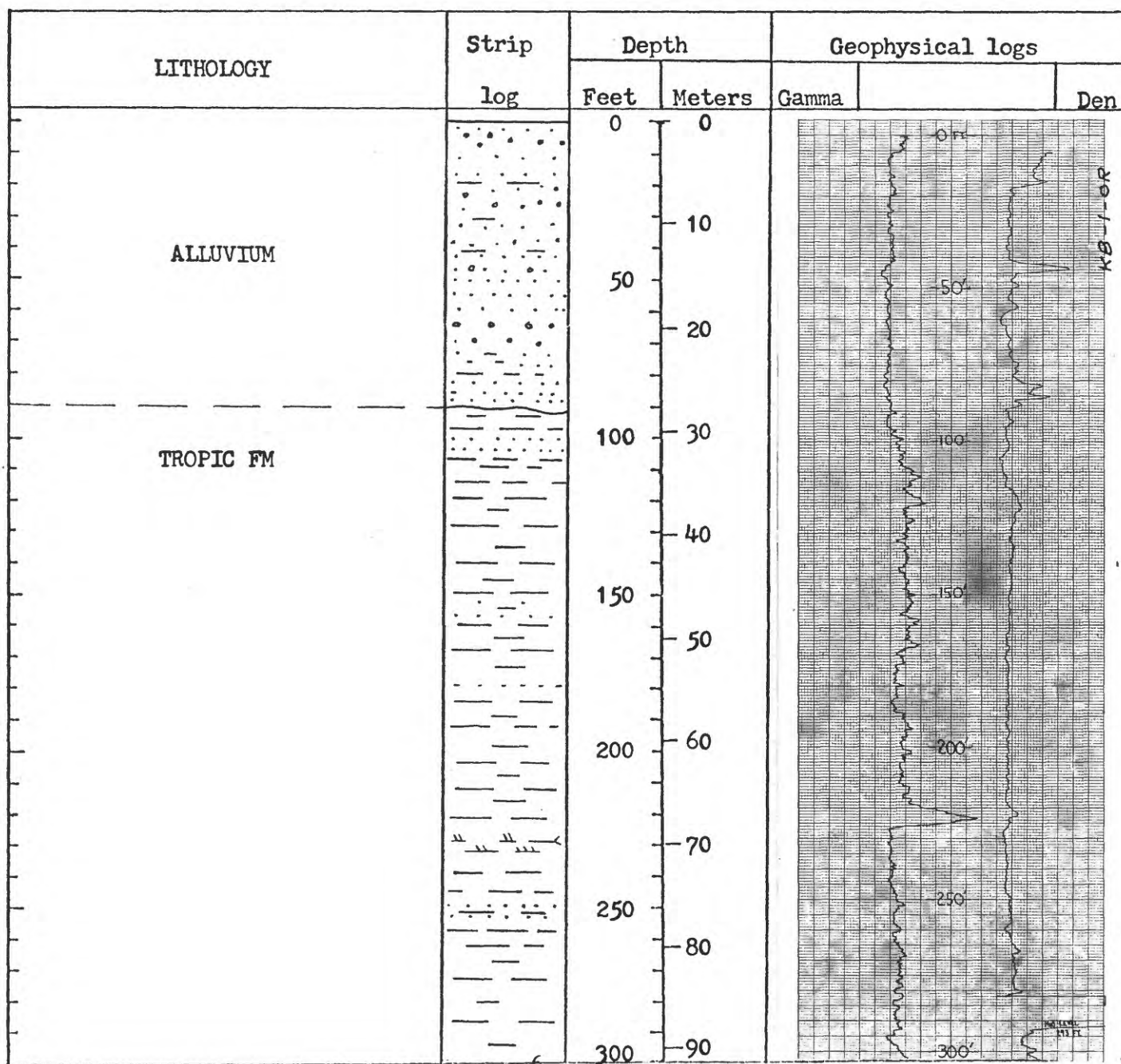
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Resistance: Scale \_\_\_\_\_ Logging speed \_\_\_\_\_ fpm

Gamma: T.C. 1 Sec. Scale 25 CPS/inch Logging speed 25 fpm

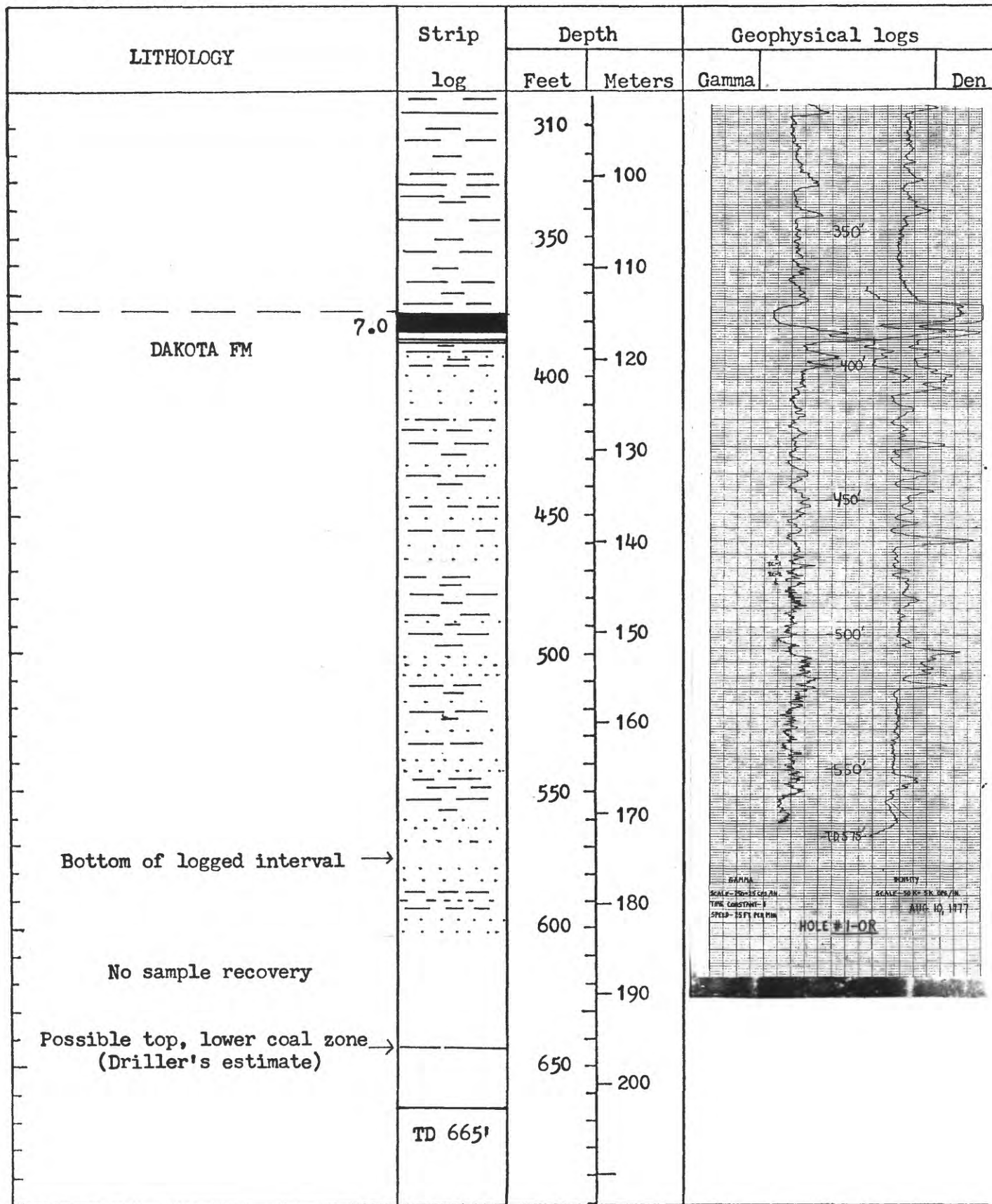
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## Drill-hole no. KB-1-OR (continued)

### Cored interval



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Hole no. KB-2-OR Date logged 8/21/77 Surface elevation (ft) 6,160'

Loc.: State UTAH Cnty. KANE T. 40 S, R. 8 W, Sec. 26, NWNESW

Drilled depth (ft) 720' Logged depth (ft) 720' Water level (ft) 86'

Drilling fluid:    Air ☒ Water ☒ Foam    Mud    Fiber

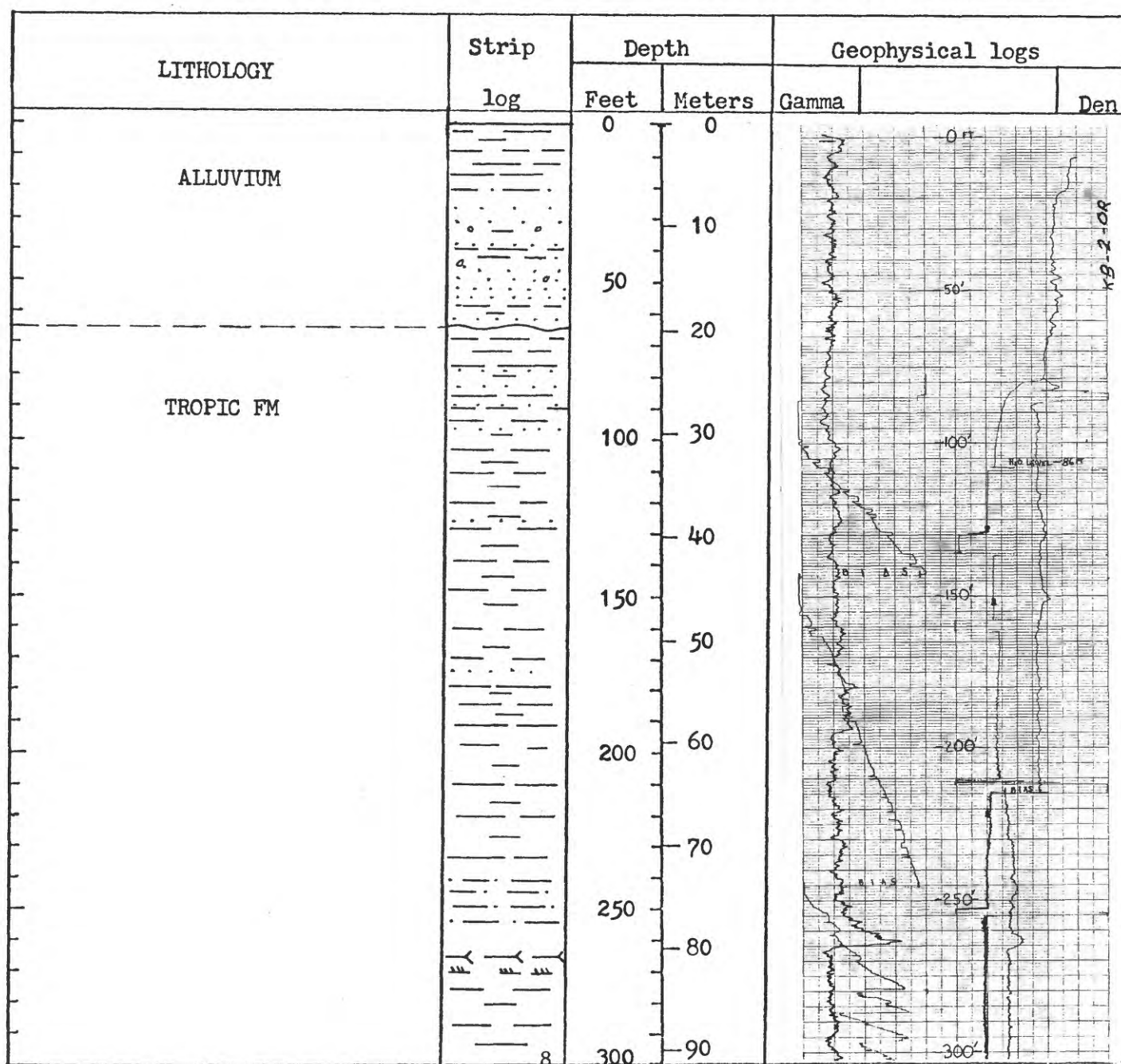
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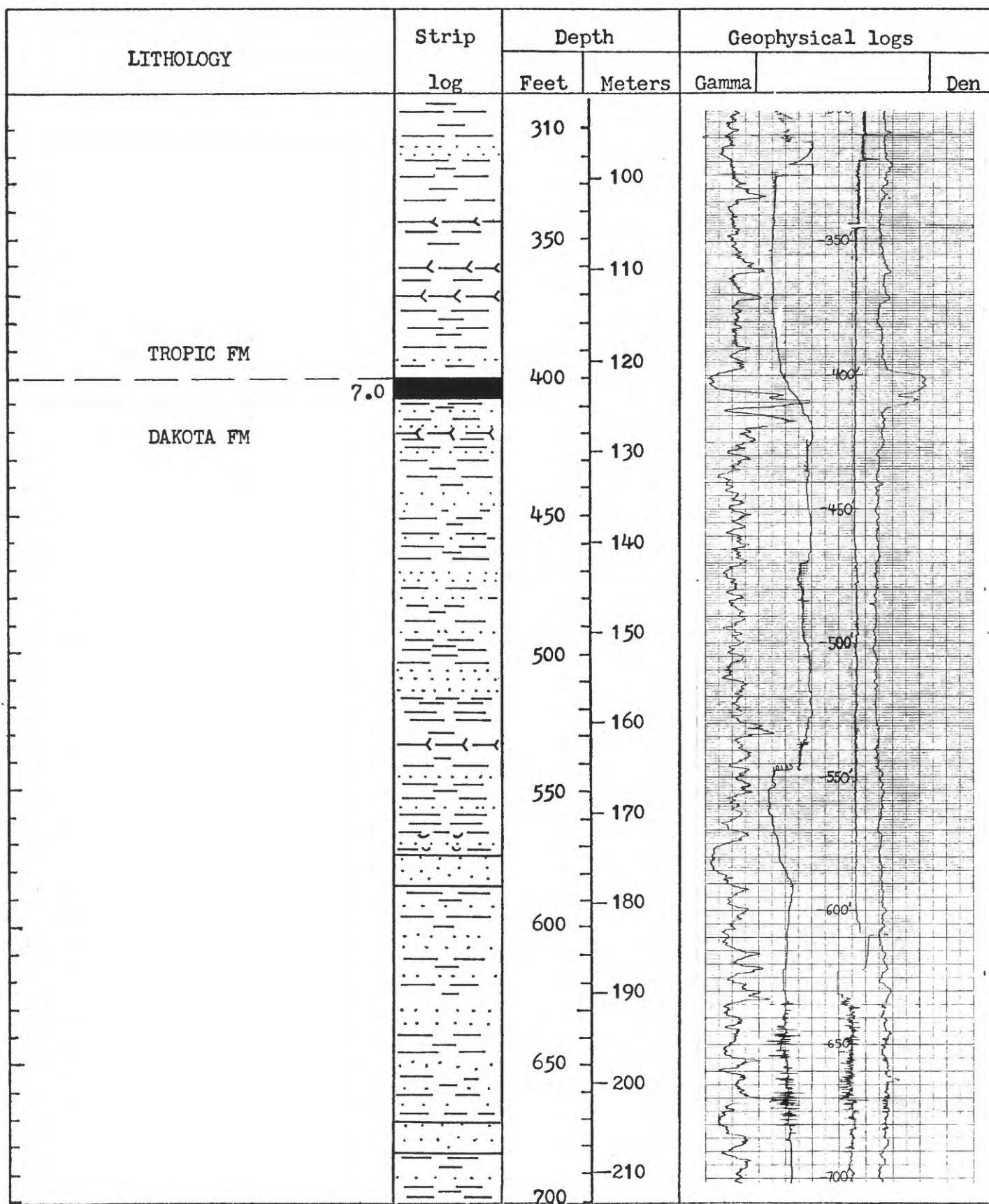
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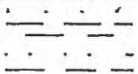

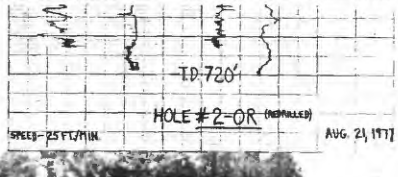


Cored interval



Drill-hole no. KB-2-OR (continued)

**Cored interval**

LITHOLOGY	Strip log	Depth		Geophysical logs		
		Feet	Meters	Gamma		Den
	 TD 720'	710 720				

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Hole no. KB-3-OR Date logged 8/26/77 Surface elevation (ft) 6,870'

Loc.: State UTAH Cnty. KANE T. 40 S., R. 8 W., Sec. 16, NESWNE

Drilled depth (ft) 1,280' Logged depth (ft) 1,283' Water level (ft) 32'

Drilling fluid:    Air    X Water    Foam    X Mud    Fiber

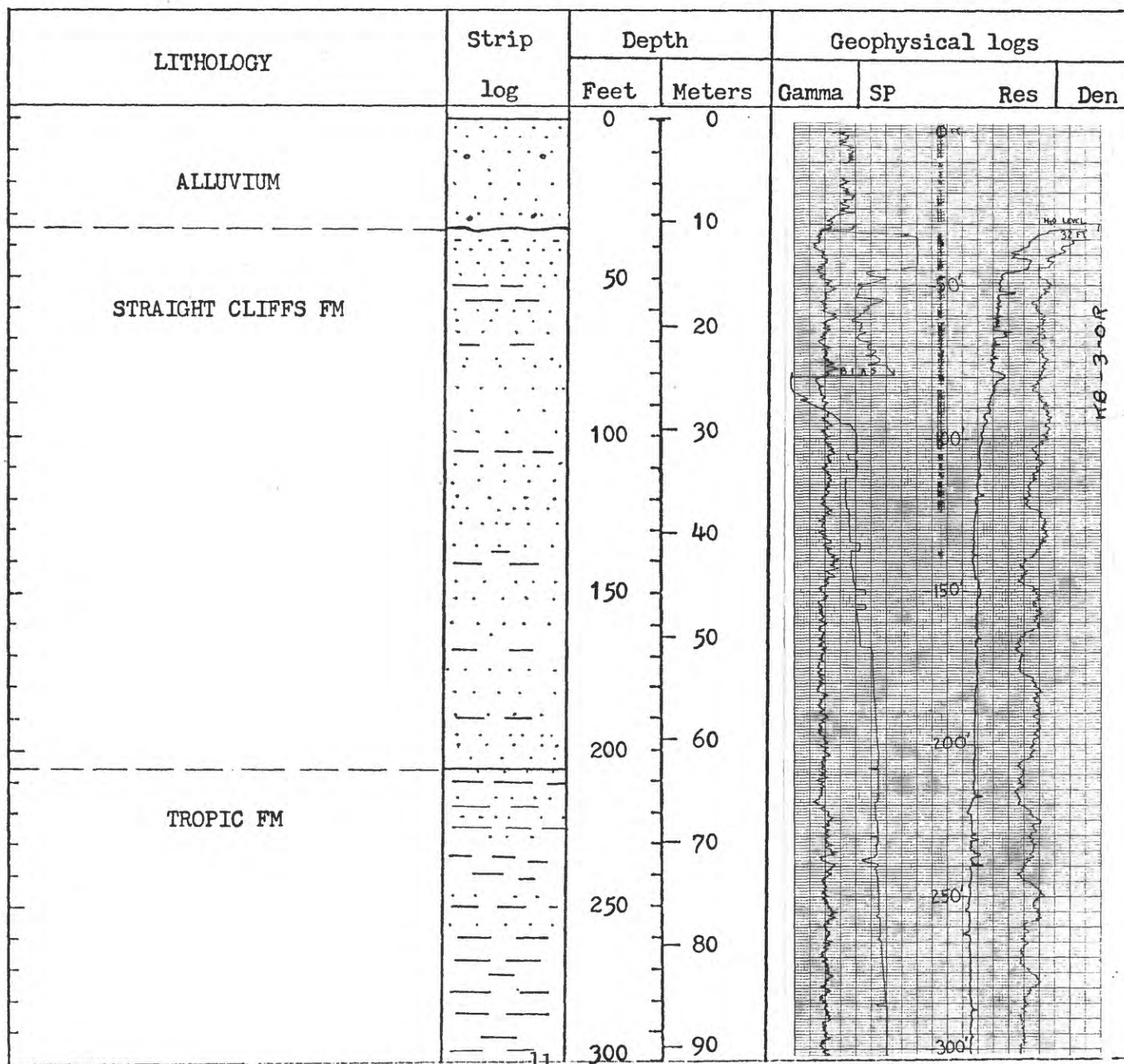
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Resistance: Scale 100 Ohms/inch Logging speed 20 fpm


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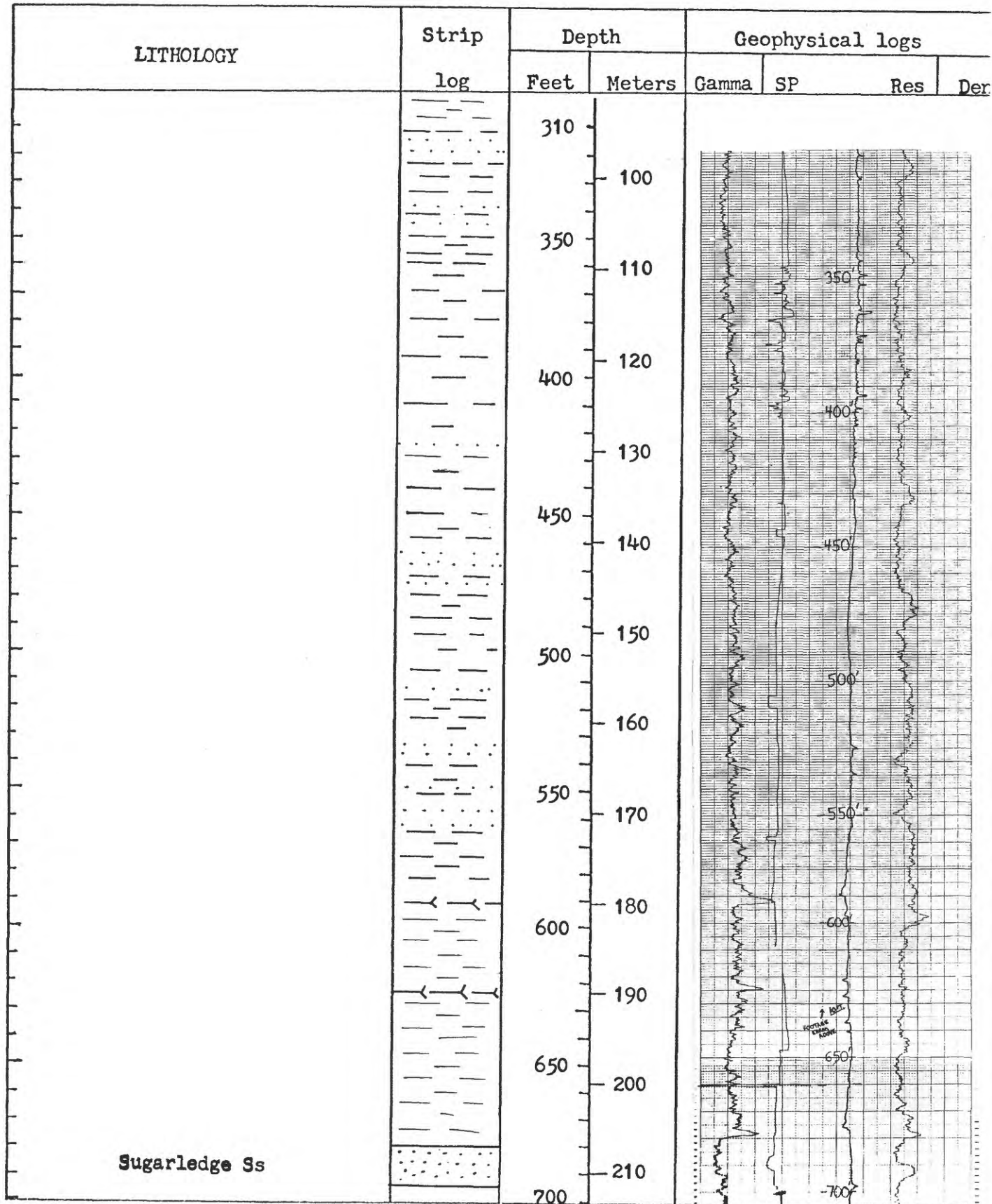
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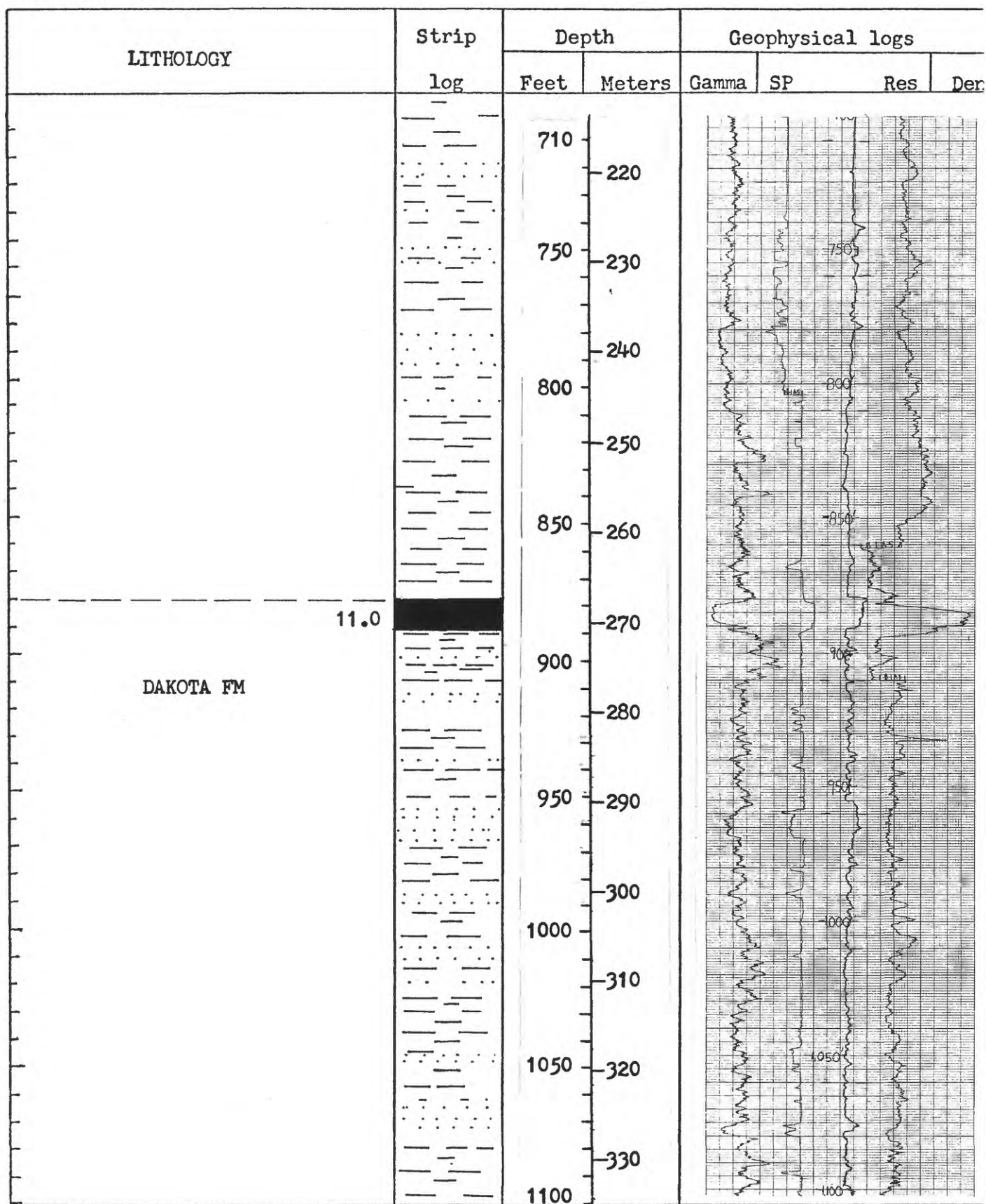




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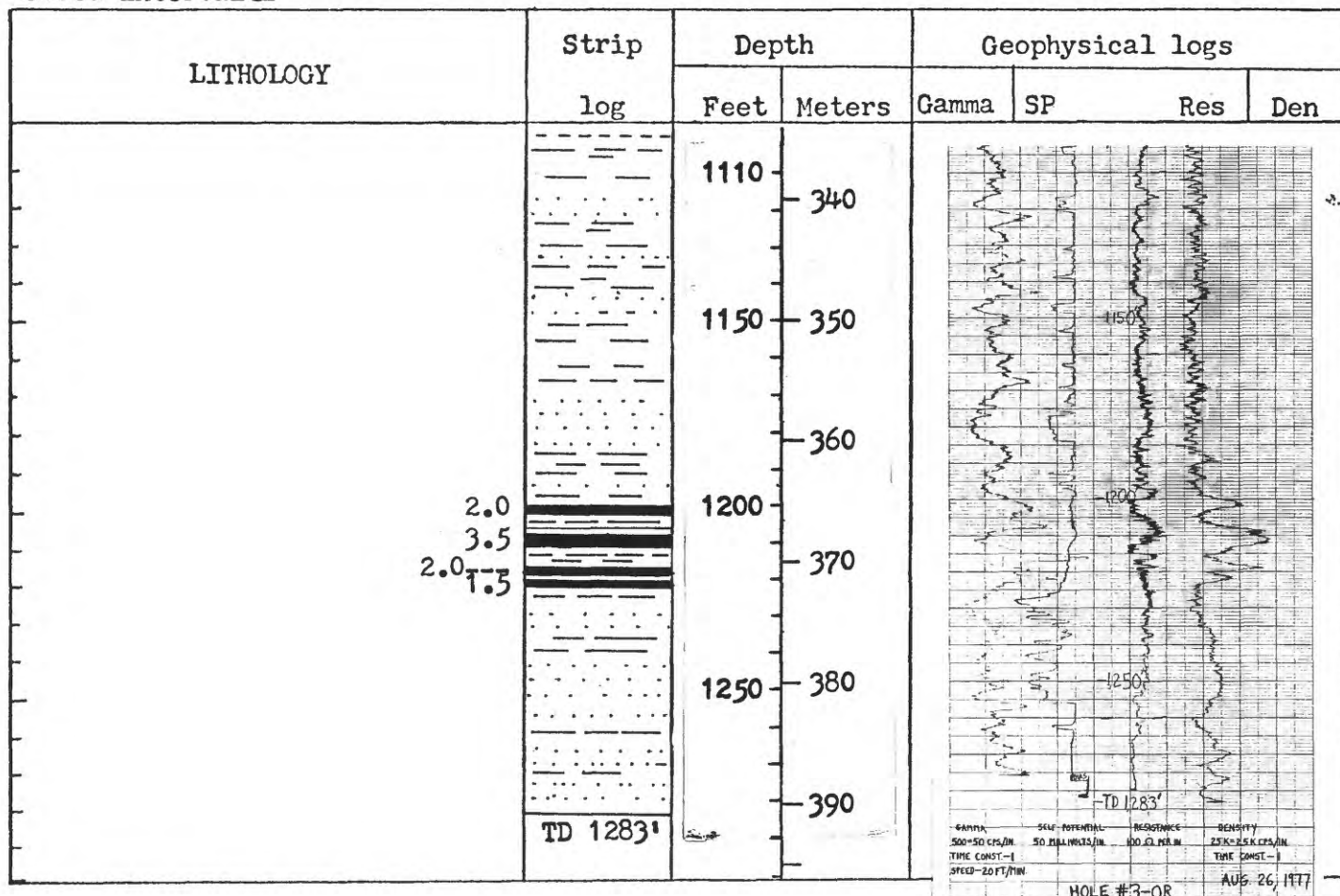
Cored interval 



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Drill-hole no. KB-3-OR (continued)

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Hole no. KB-4-OR Date logged 9/16/77 Surface elevation (ft) 5,900'

Loc.: State UTAH Cnty. KANE T. 40 S., R. 8 W., Sec. 24, SENE

Drilled depth (ft) 720' Logged depth (ft) 720' Water level (ft) 84.5'

Drilling fluid:    Air    X Water    Foam    X Mud    X Fiber

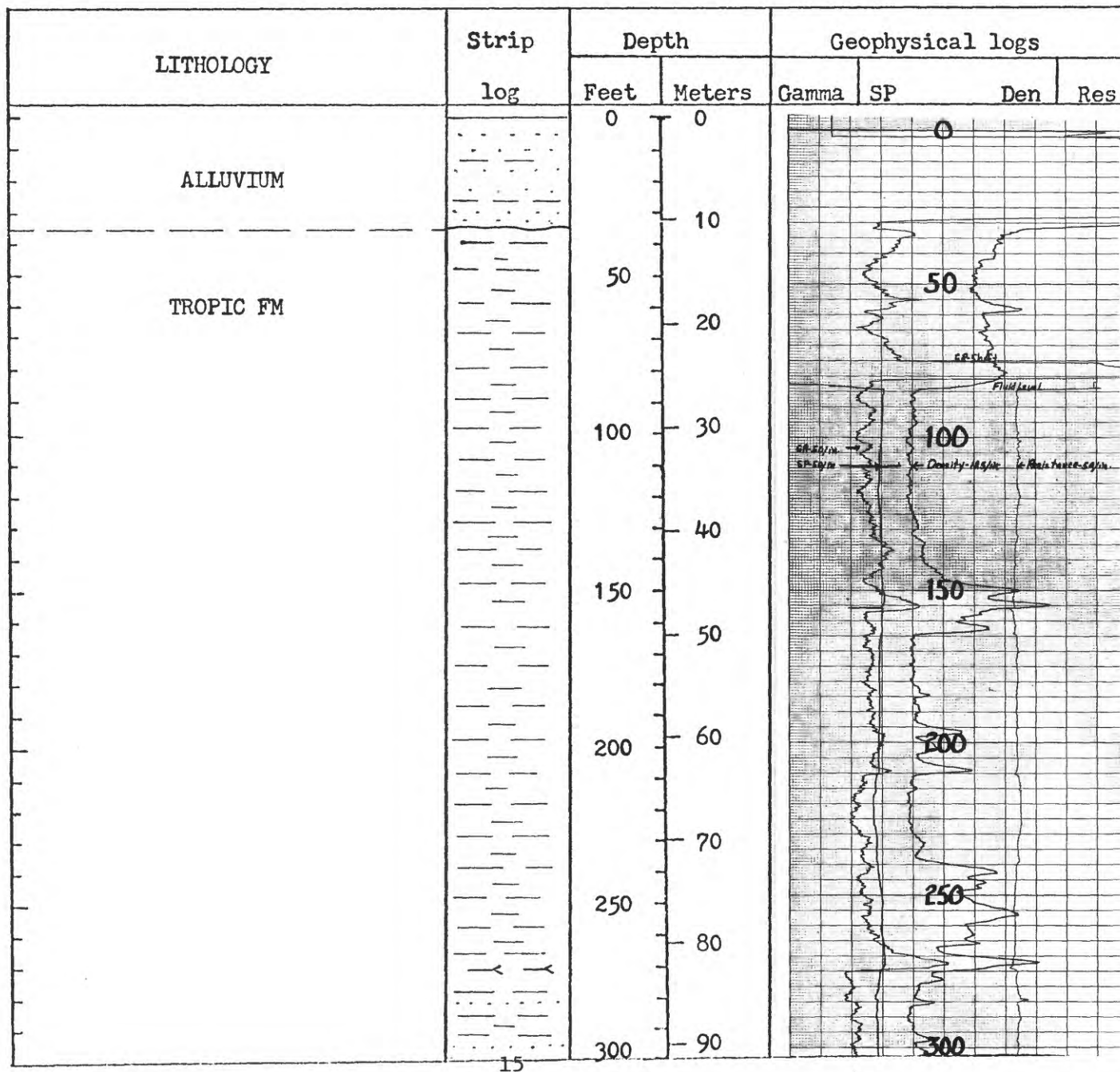
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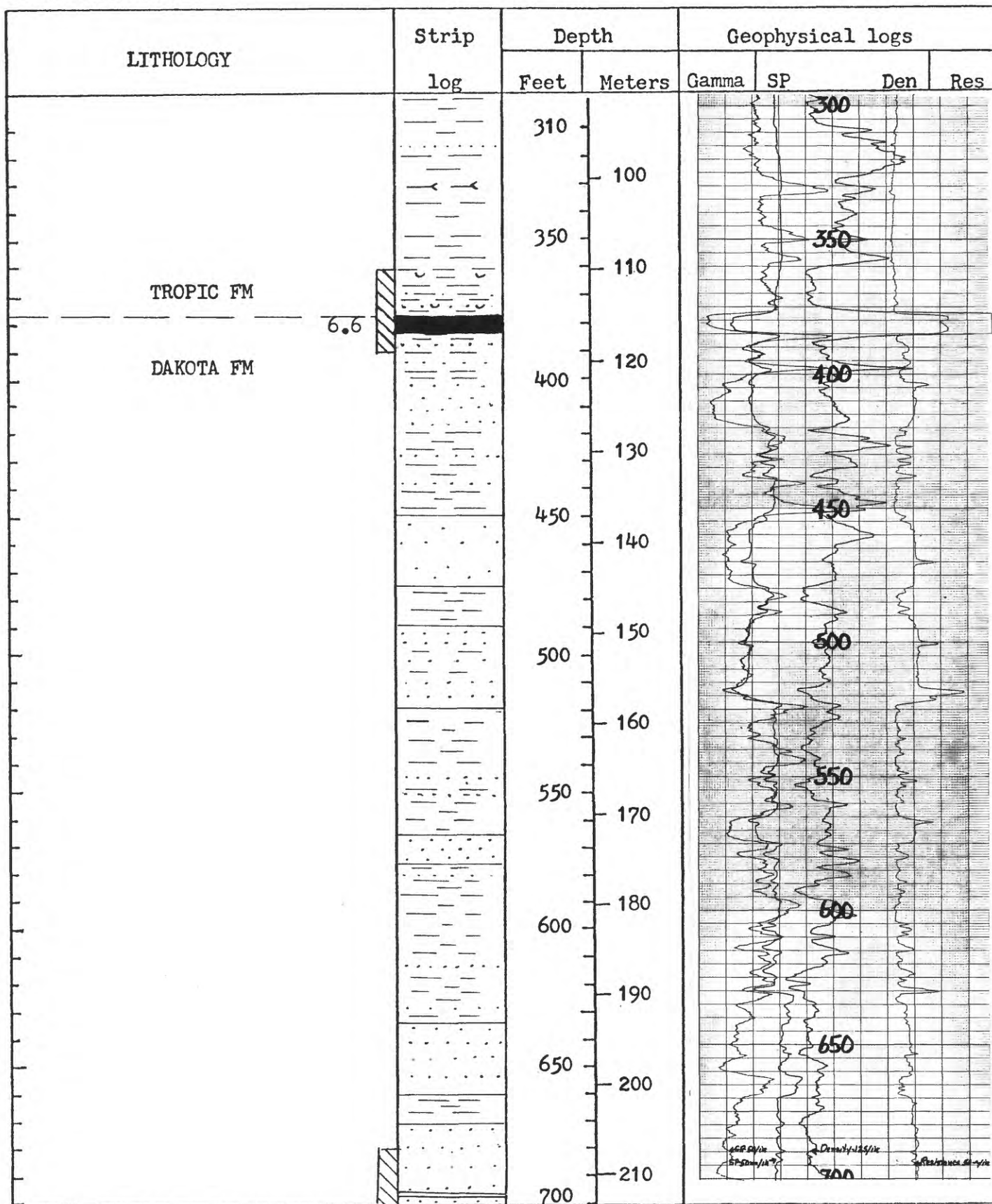
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Gamma dens: T.C. 3 Sec. Scale 125 CPS/inch Logging speed 20 fpm




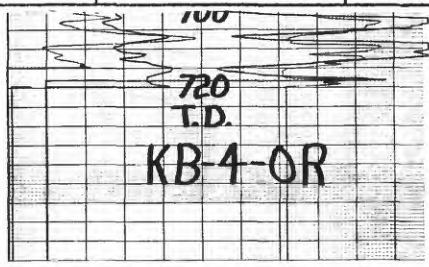
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Drill-hole no. KB-4-OR (continued)

Cored interval 

LITHOLOGY	Strip log	Depth		Geophysical logs			
		Feet	Meters	Gamma	SP	Den	Res
	2.0 2.1 1.5 2.8 2+	710 720					
	TD 720'						

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Hole no. KB-5-OR Date logged 9/16/77 Surface elevation (ft) 6,080'

Loc.: State UTAH Cnty. KANE T. 40 S, R. 8 W, Sec. 13, SENEW

Drilled depth (ft) 980' Logged depth (ft) 980' Water level (ft) 49'

Drilling fluid:    Air X Water    Foam X Mud X Fiber

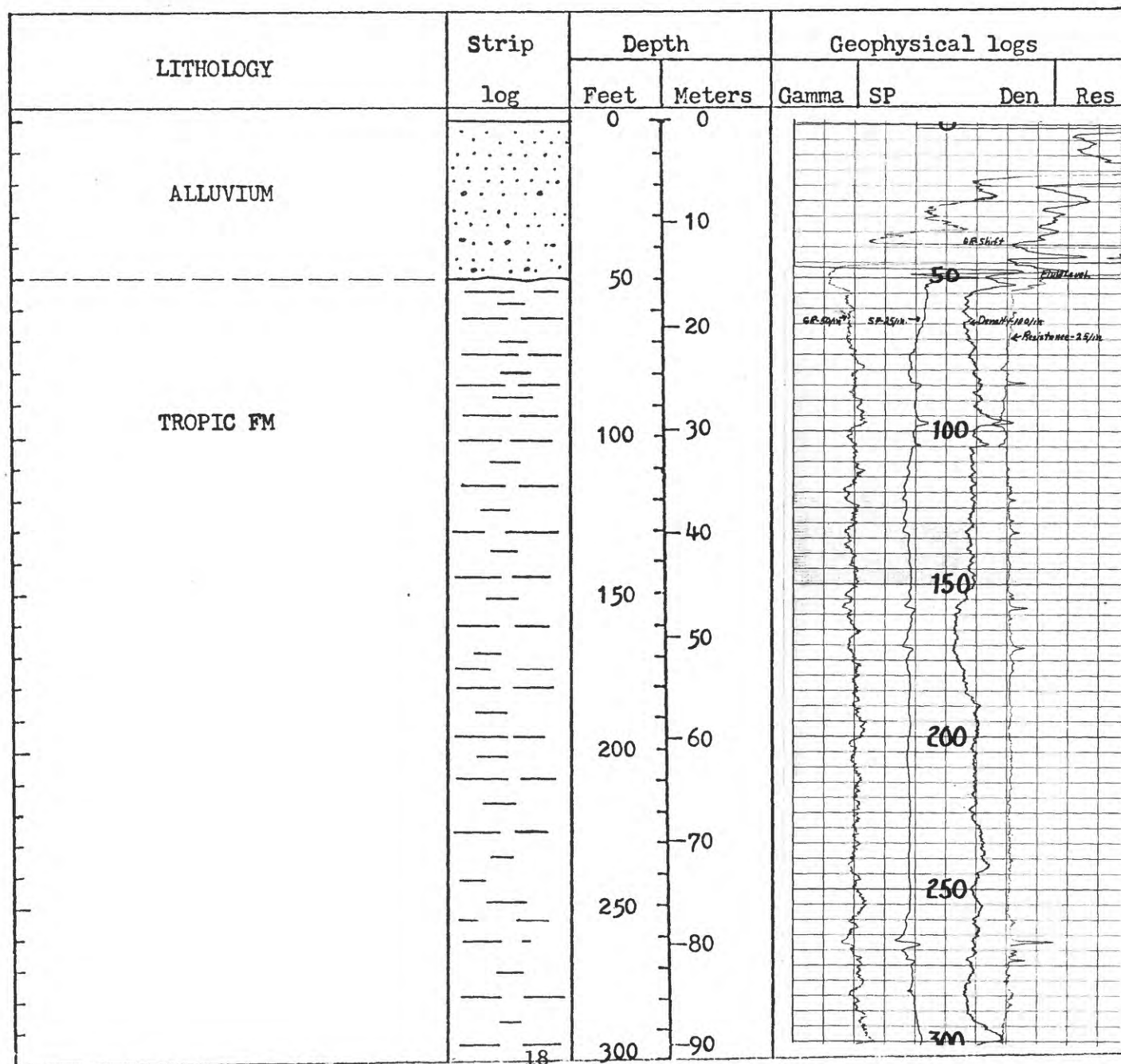
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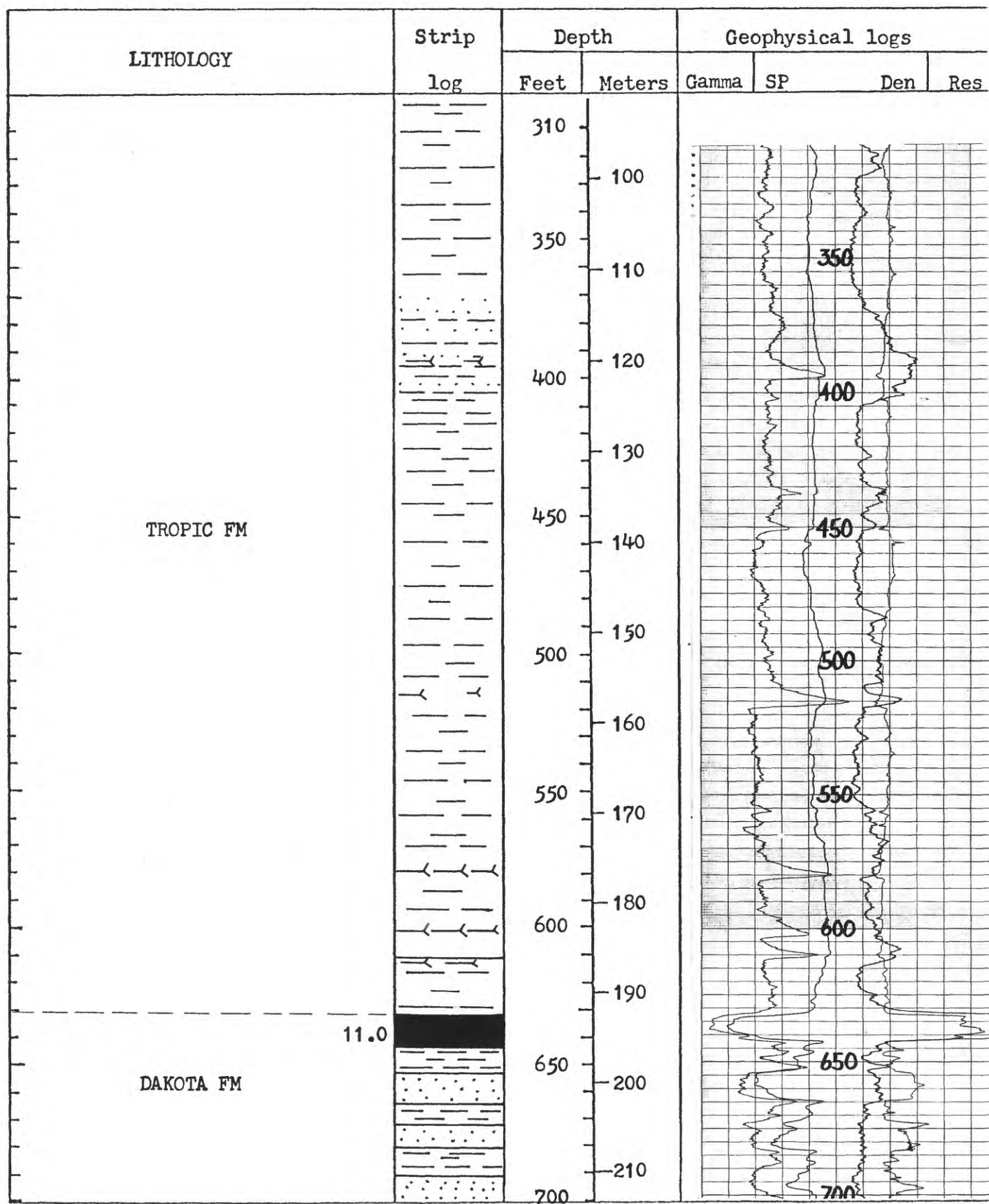
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Resistance: Scale 25 Ohms/inch Logging speed 20 fpm

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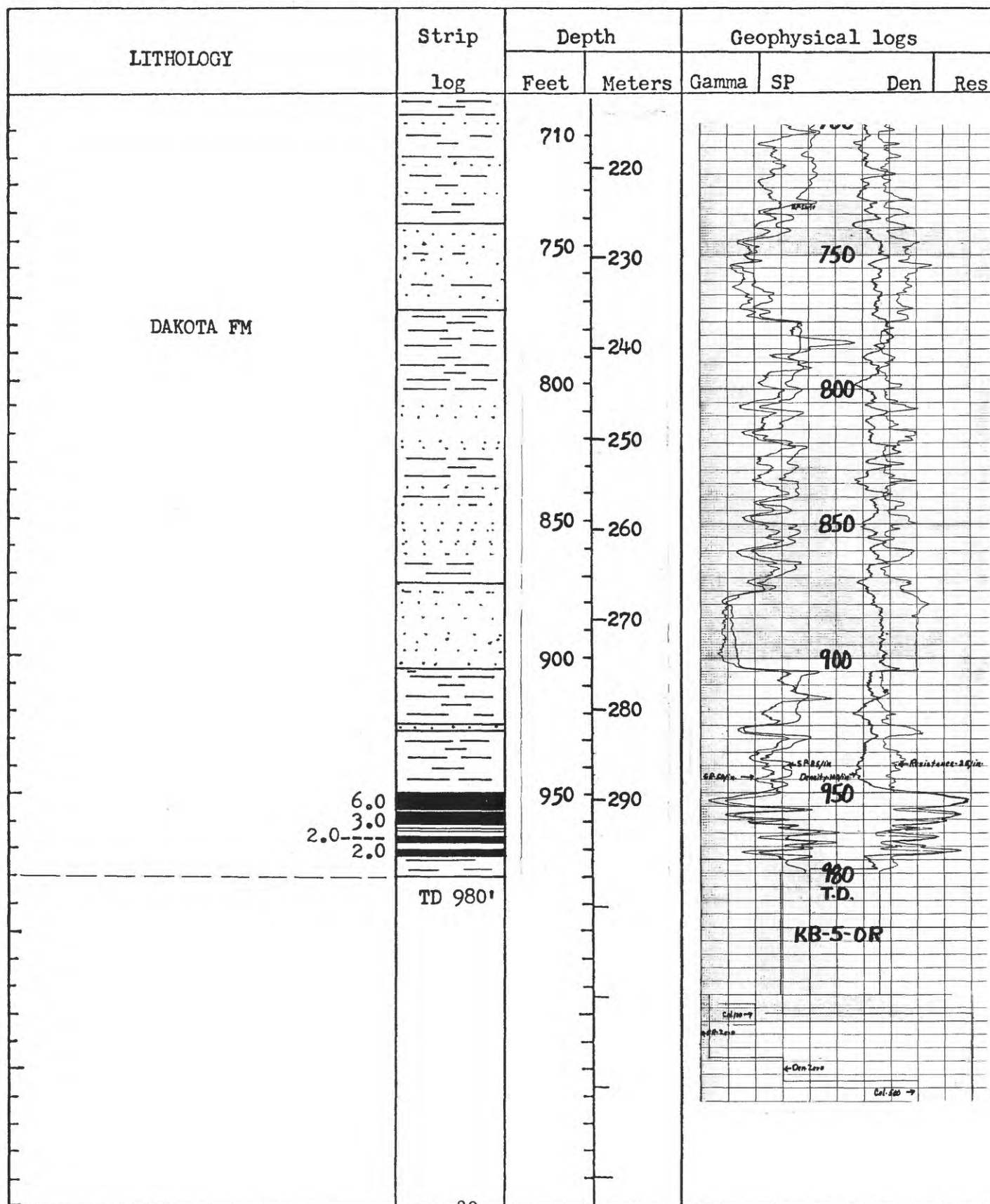


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Drill-hole no. KB-5-OR (continued)

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Hole no. KB-6-OR Date logged 9/11/77 Surface elevation (ft) 5,800'

Loc.: State UTAH Cnty. KANE T. 40 S., R. 7 W., Sec. 31, NWSW

Drilled depth (ft) 480' Logged depth (ft) 460' Water level (ft) 166.2'

Drilling fluid: ☒ Air ☒ Water ☐ Foam ☐ Mud ☐ Fiber


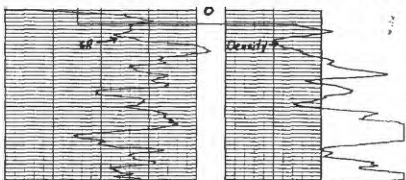


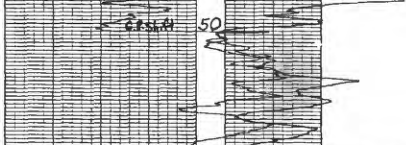
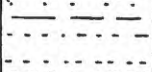
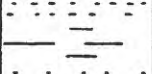
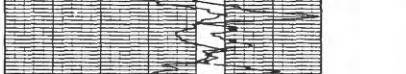
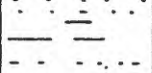
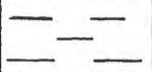



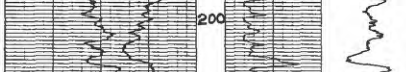
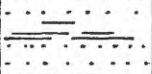
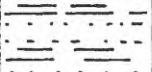
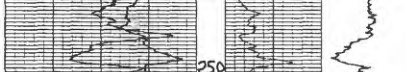
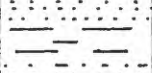
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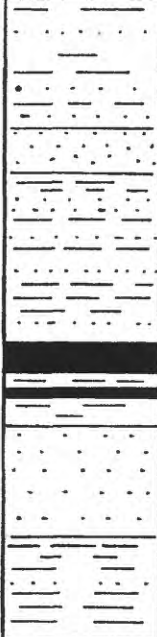
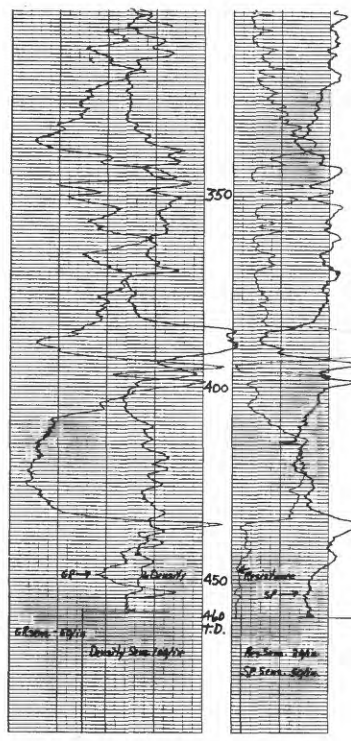
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Gamma dens: T.C. 2 Sec. Scale 100 CPS/inch Logging speed 20 fpm

LITHOLOGY	Strip log	Depth		Geophysical logs			
		Feet	Meters	Gamma	Den	Res	SP
ALLUVIUM		0	0				
TROPIC FM		50	10				
DAKOTA FM		6.0	20				
		100	30				
		150	40				
		200	50				
		250	60				
		300	70				
		350	80				
		400	90				
		450					
		460					

Drill-hole no. KB-6-OR (continued)

Cored interval 

LITHOLOGY	Strip log	Depth		Geophysical logs			
		Feet	Meters	Gamma	Den	Res	SP
		310					
			100				
		350					
			110				
			120				
			130				
		450					
	TD 460'						

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Hole no. KB-7-OR Date logged 8/5/77 Surface elevation (ft) 5,850'

Loc.: State UTAH Cnty. KANE T. 40 S, R. 8 W, Sec. 25, NE

Drilled depth (ft) 580' Logged depth (ft) 579' Water level (ft) 76'

Drilling fluid: ☒ Air ☒ Water ☐ Foam ☒ Mud ☐ Fiber

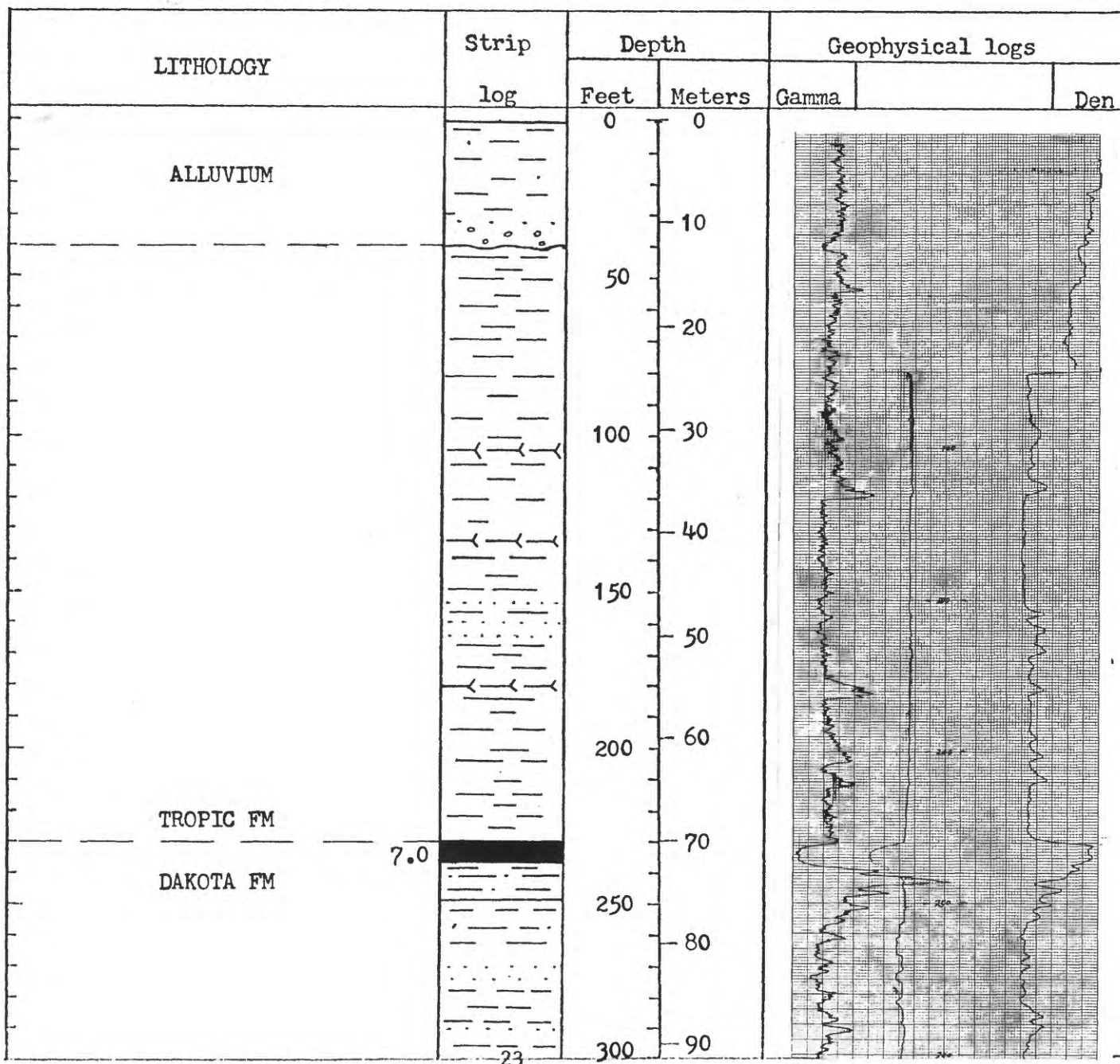
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Spontaneous potential: Scale \_\_\_\_\_ Logging speed \_\_\_\_\_ fpm

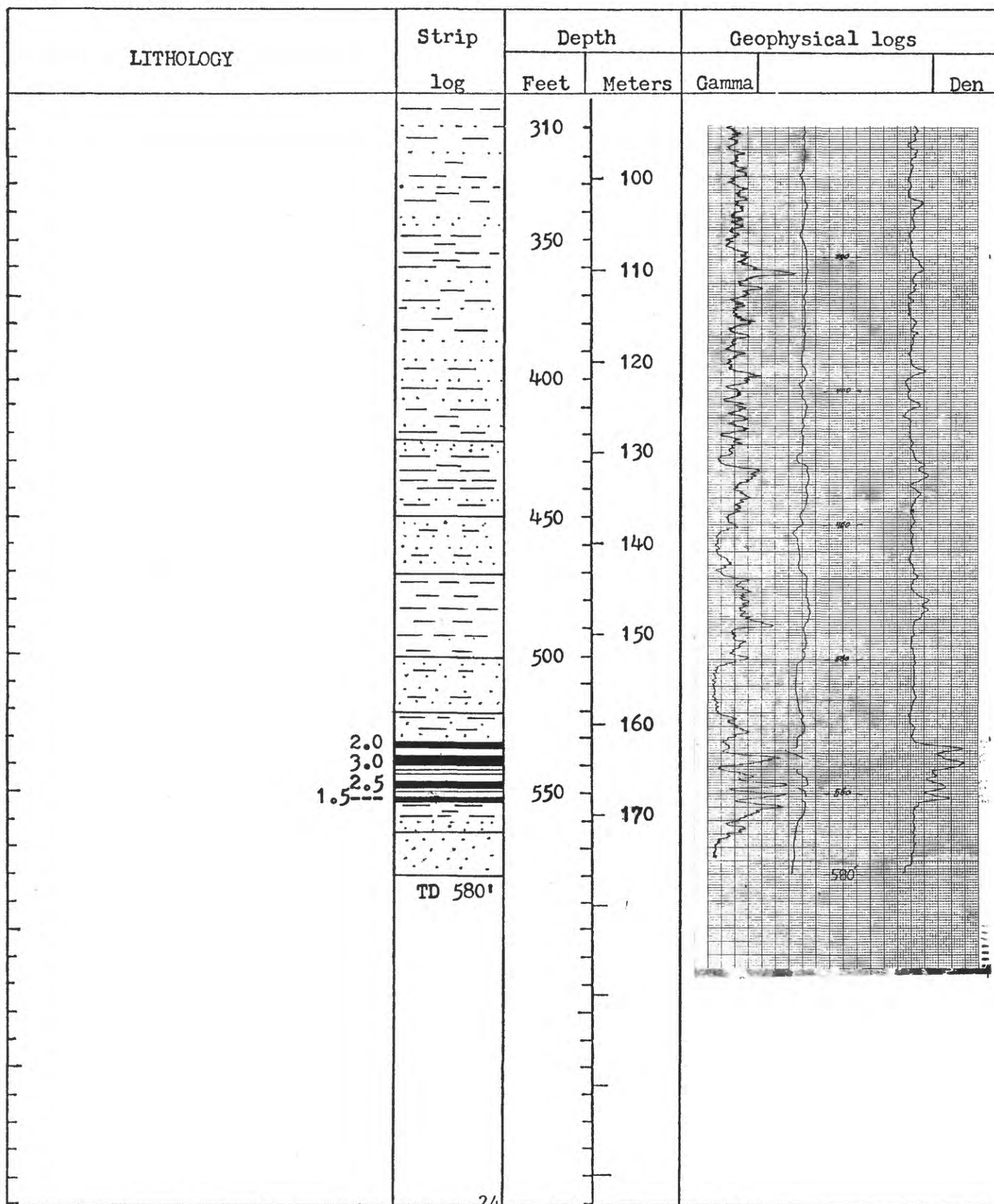
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Gamma: T.C. 1 Sec. Scale 25 CPS/inch Logging speed \_\_\_\_\_ fpm

Gamma dens: T.C. 1 Sec. Scale 5000 CPS/inch Logging speed \_\_\_\_\_ fpm



**Cored interval**






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Hole no. KB-1-0C Date logged 8/30/77 Surface elevation (ft) 6.520'

Loc.: State UTAH Cnty. KANE T. 40 S, R. 8 W, Sec. 28, SWSENW

Drilled depth (ft) 650'      Logged depth (ft) 652'      Water level (ft) 41'

Drilling fluid: ☐ Air ☒ Water ☐ Foam ☐ Mud ☒ Fiber  Cored interval

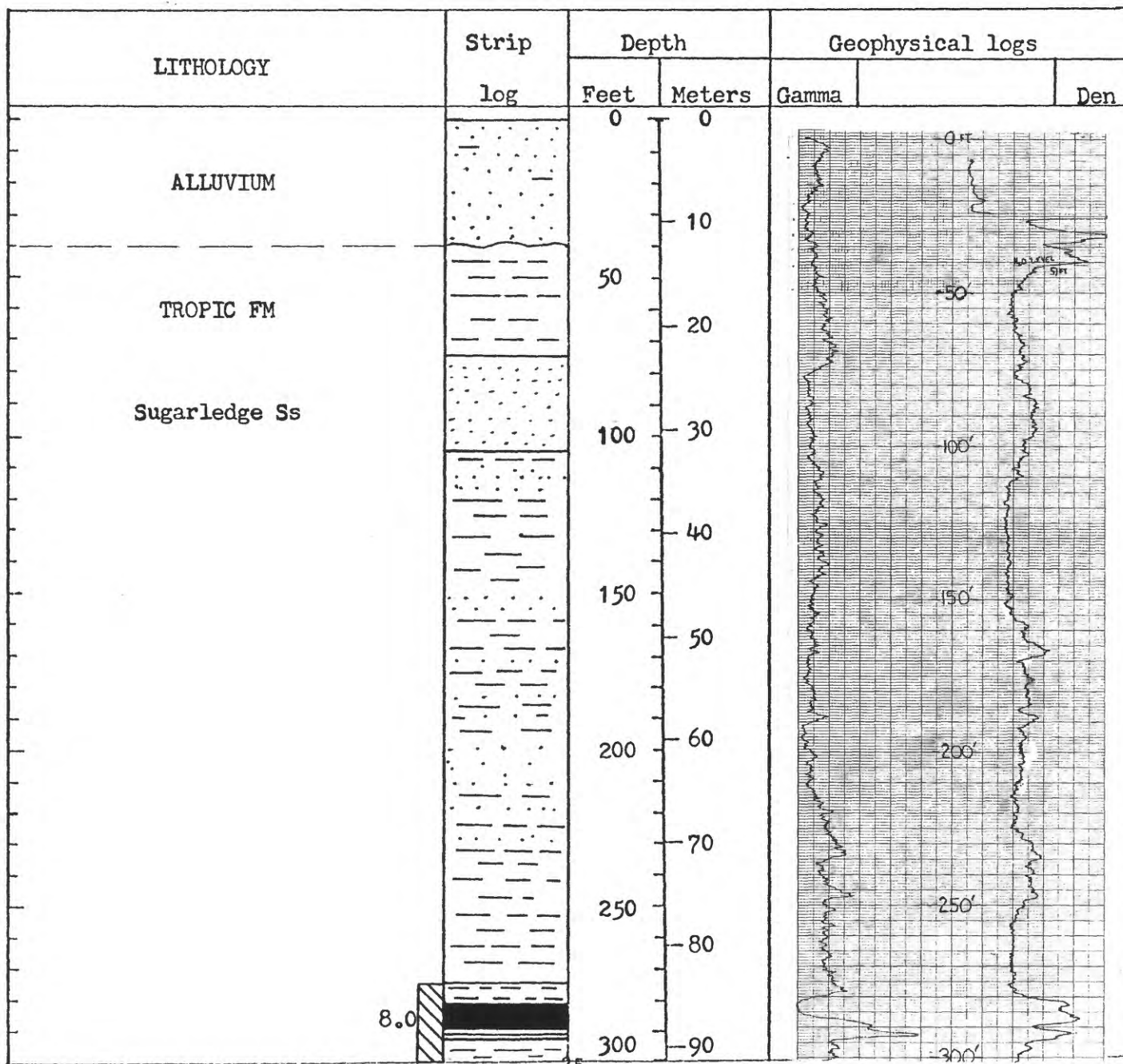
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Resistance:                      Scale \_\_\_\_\_ Logging speed \_\_\_\_\_ fpm

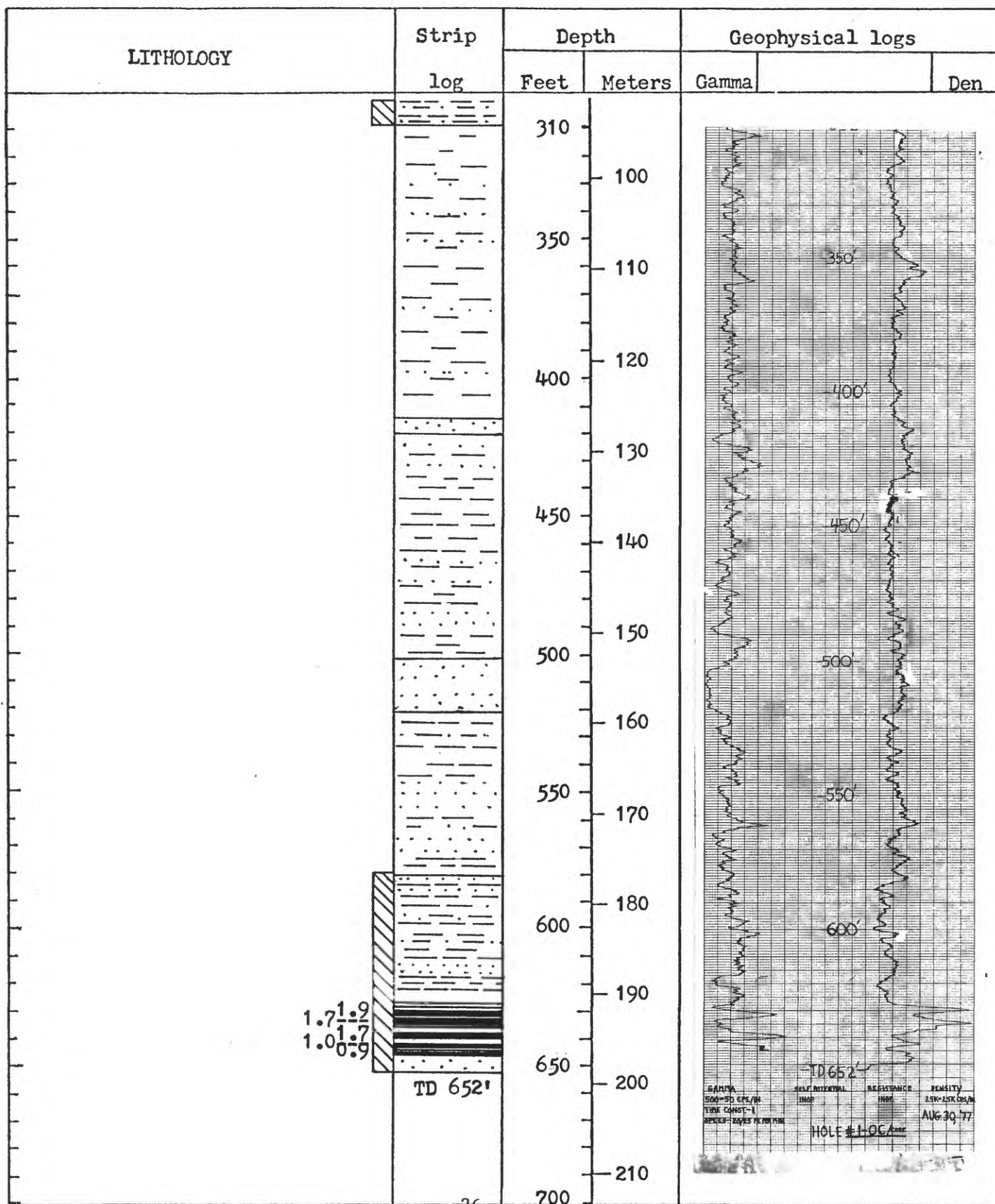
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Gamma dens: T.C. 1 Sec. Scale 2500 CPS/inch      Logging speed 20/25 fpm



Drill-hole no. KB-1-OC (continued)

Cored interval 



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Hole no. KB-2-OC Date logged 9/11/77 Surface elevation (ft) 7,500'

Loc.: State UTAH Cnty. KANE T. 40 S. R. 9 W. Sec. 23 , NESESE

Drilled depth (ft) 800' Logged depth (ft) 800' Water level (ft) 359'

Drilling fluid:    Air X Water    Foam X Mud X Fiber

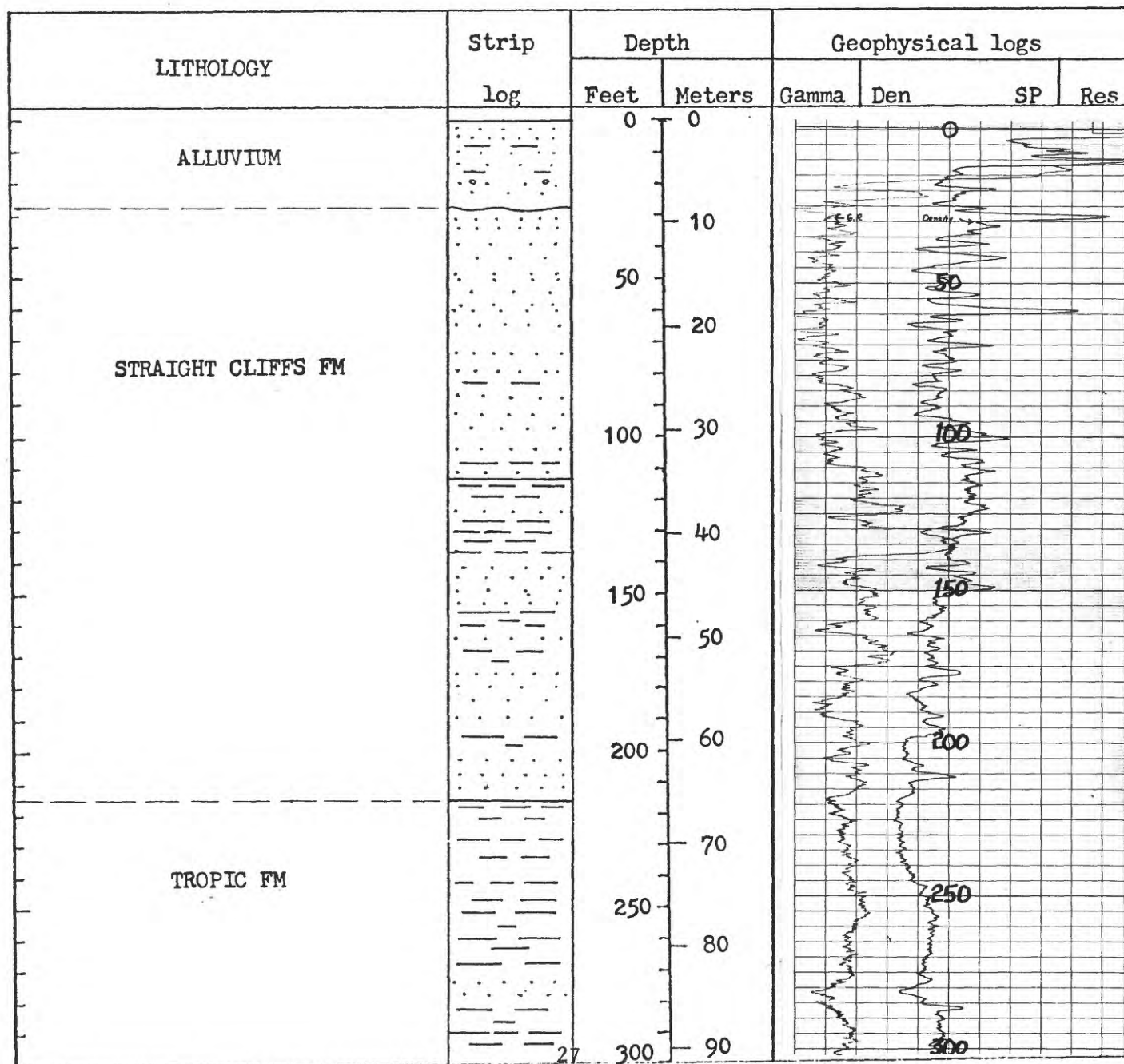
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Resistance: Scale 20 Ohms/inch Logging speed 20 fpm

Gamma: T.C. 2 Sec. Scale 50 CPS/inch Logging speed 20 fpm

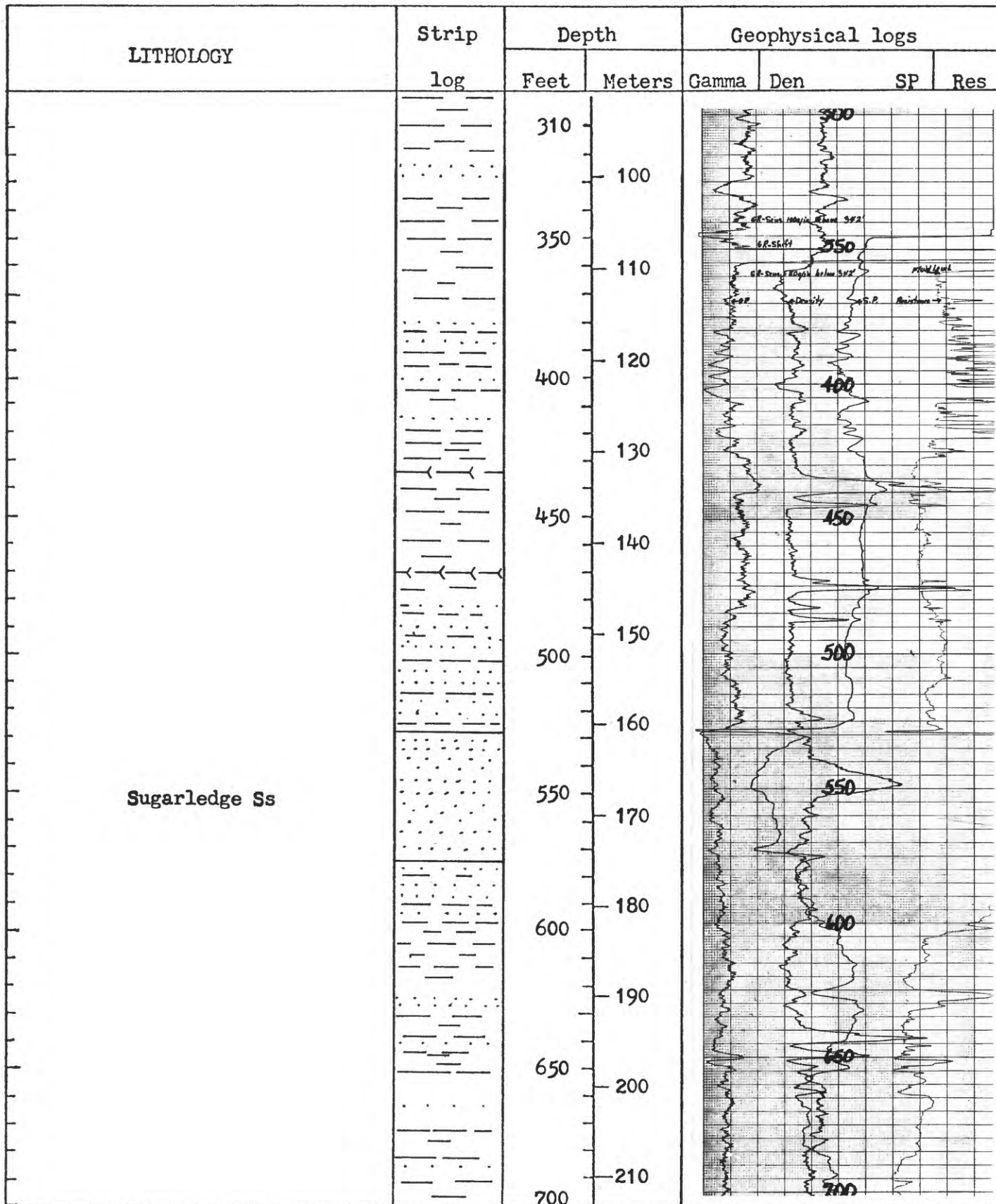
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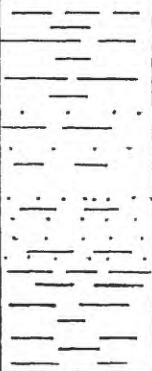
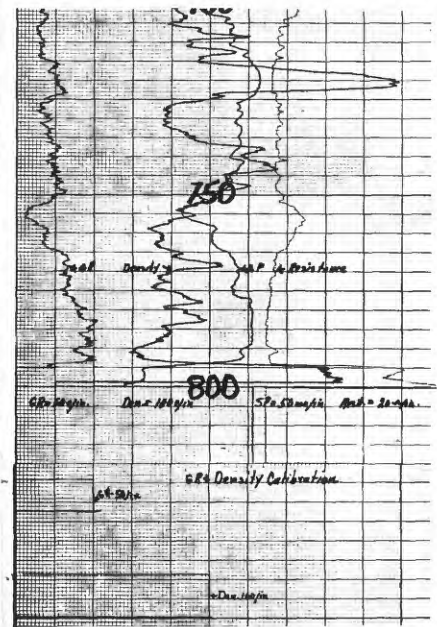
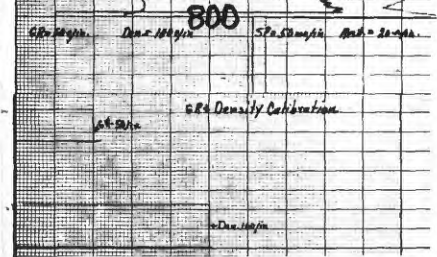


Drill-hole no. KB-2-OC (continued)

Cored interval 



Cored interval 

LITHOLOGY	Strip log	Depth		Geophysical logs			
		Feet	Meters	Gamma	Den	SP	Res
TROPIC FM		710	220				
		750	230				
		240					
		800					
DAKOTA FM	TD 800'						

U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY  
DRILL-HOLE LOGS, KOLOB COAL FIELD, UTAH

Hole no. KB-3-OC Date logged 9/24/77 Surface elevation (ft) 6,850'

Loc.: State UTAH Cnty. KANE T. 40 S, R. 9 W, Sec. 1, NESESE

Drilled depth (ft) 550' Logged depth (ft) 548' Water level (ft) 104'

Drilling fluid:    Air X Water X Foam X Mud X Fiber

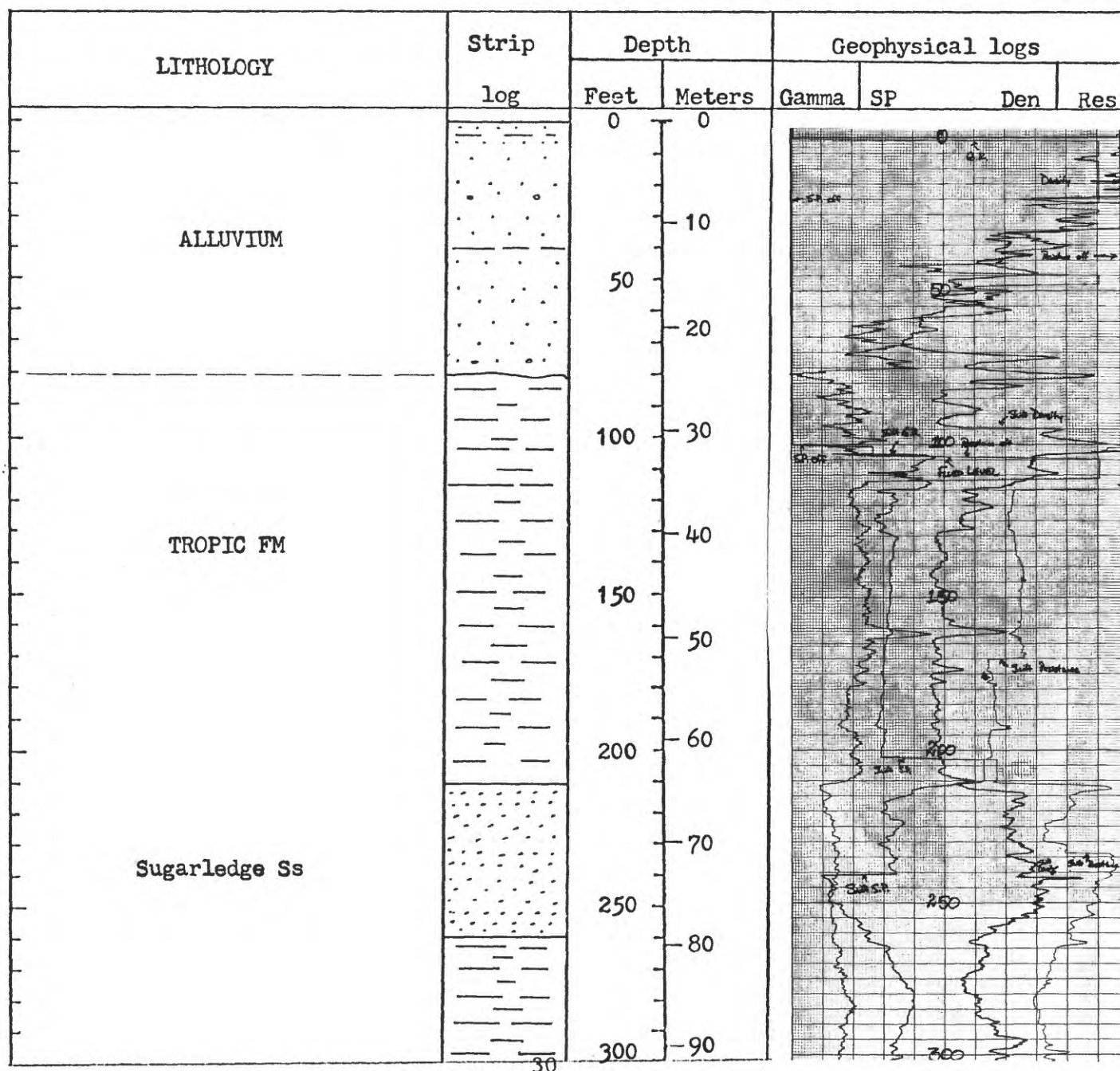
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Spontaneous potential: Scale 25 MV/inch Logging speed 20 fpm

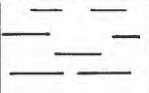
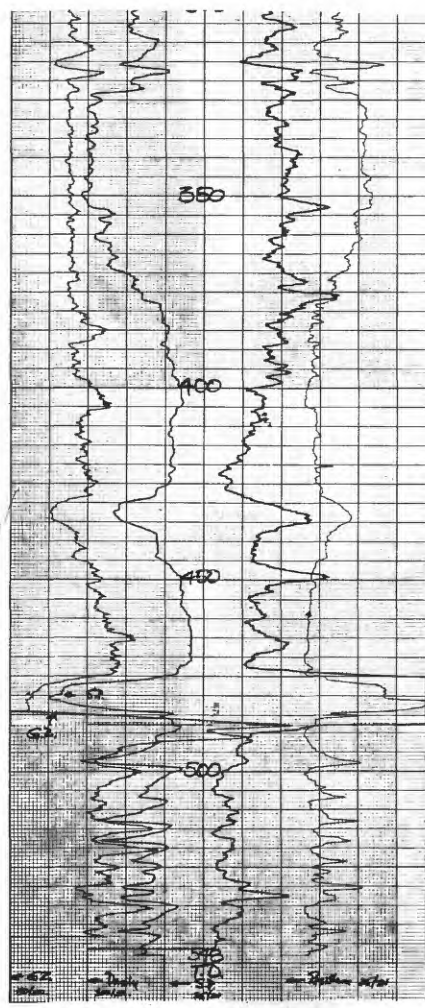
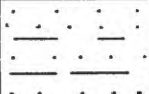

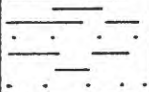

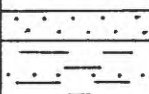
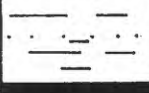
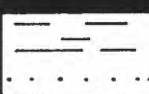
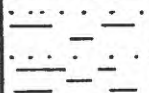
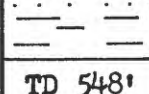

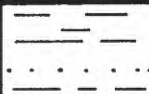
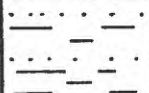
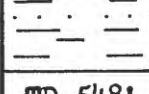
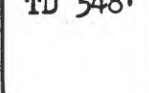






Resistance: Scale 25 Ohms/inch Logging speed 20 fpm

Gamma: T.C. 3 Sec. Scale 50 CPS/inch Logging speed 20 fpm

Gamma dens: T.C. 3 Sec. Scale 100 CPS/inch Logging speed 20 fpm



Cored interval 

LITHOLOGY	Strip log	Depth		Geophysical logs			
		Feet	Meters	Gamma	SP	Den	Res
		310					
			100				
		350	110				
			120				
		400	130				
			140				
		450	150				
			160				
		500					
							
							
							
							
							
							
							
							
							
							
							
							

U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY  
DRILL-HOLE LOGS, KOLOB COAL FIELD, UTAH

Hole no. KB-4-OC Date logged 9/22/77 Surface elevation (ft) 6,820'

Loc.: State UTAH Cnty. KANE T. 40 S. R. 8 W. Sec. 6, NENWNE

Drilled depth (ft) 1,120' Logged depth (ft) 1,111' Water level (ft) 124'

Drilling fluid:    Air X Water X Foam X Mud X Fiber

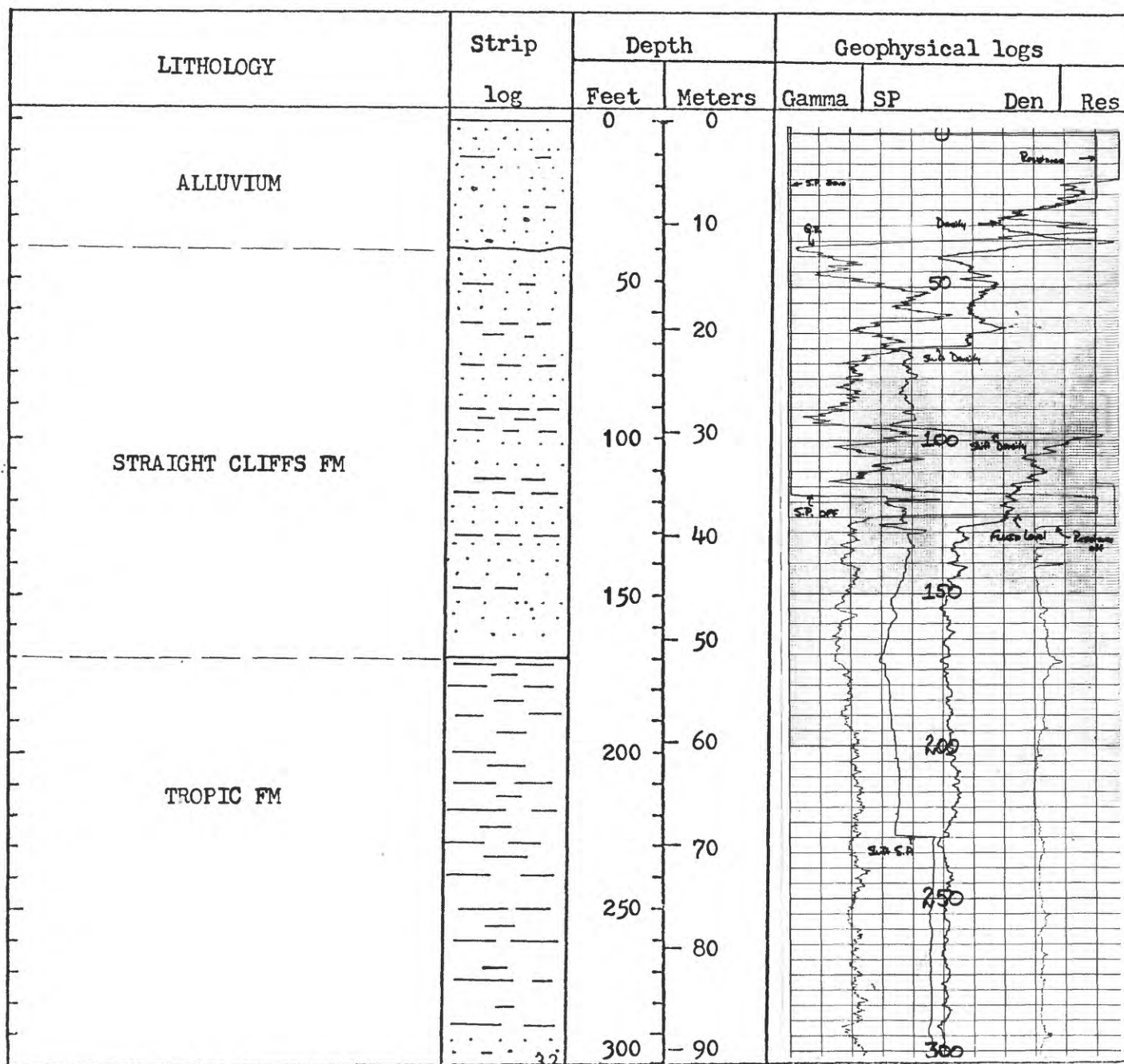
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Resistance: Scale 25 Ohms/inch Logging speed 20 fpm

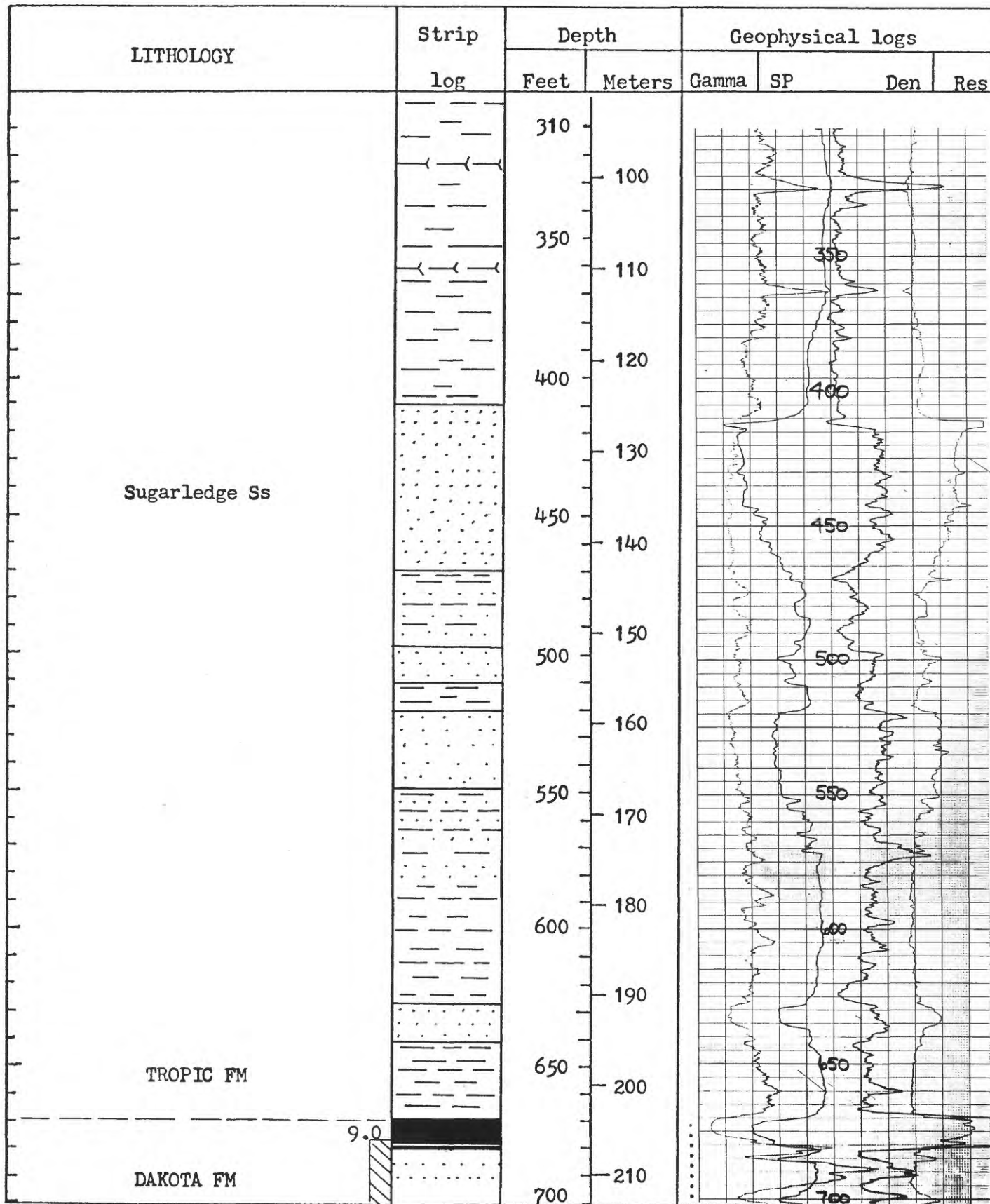
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Gamma dens: T.C. 3 Sec. Scale 100 CPS/inch Logging speed 20 fpm



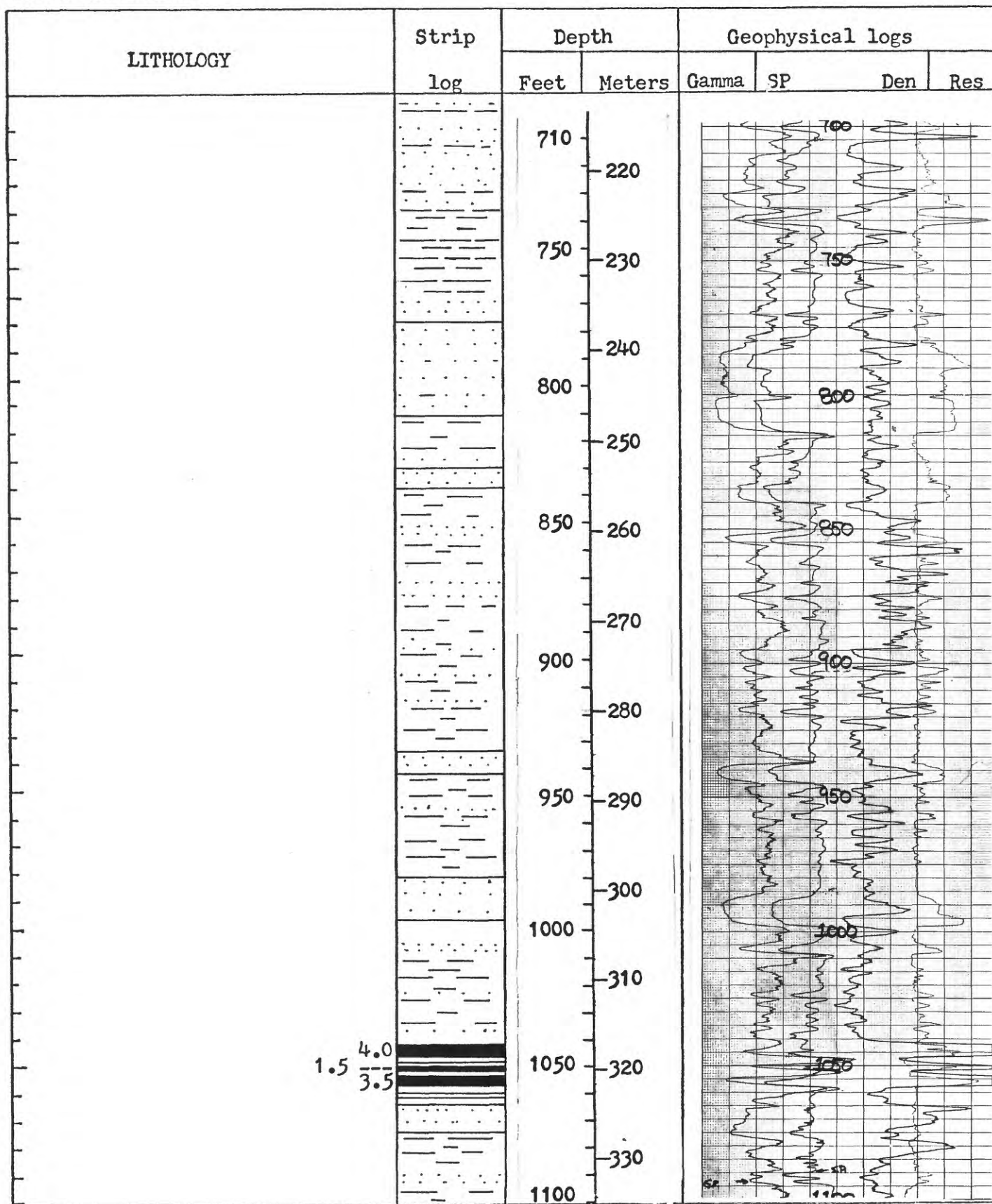


Cored interval 




Drill-hole no. KB-4-OC (continued)

Cored interval 



## Drill-hole no. KB-4-OC (continued)

Cored interval 

LITHOLOGY	Strip log	Depth		Geophysical logs			
		Feet	Meters	Gamma	SP	Den	Res
	TD 1111'	1110					




U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY  
DRILL-HOLE LOGS, KOLOB COAL FIELD, UTAH

Hole no. KB-5-OC Date logged 9/30/77 Surface elevation (ft) 6,290'

Loc.: State UTAH Cnty. KANE T. 39 S. R. 9 W. Sec. 24 , NWSE

Drilled depth (ft) 560' Logged depth (ft) 495' Water level (ft) 17'

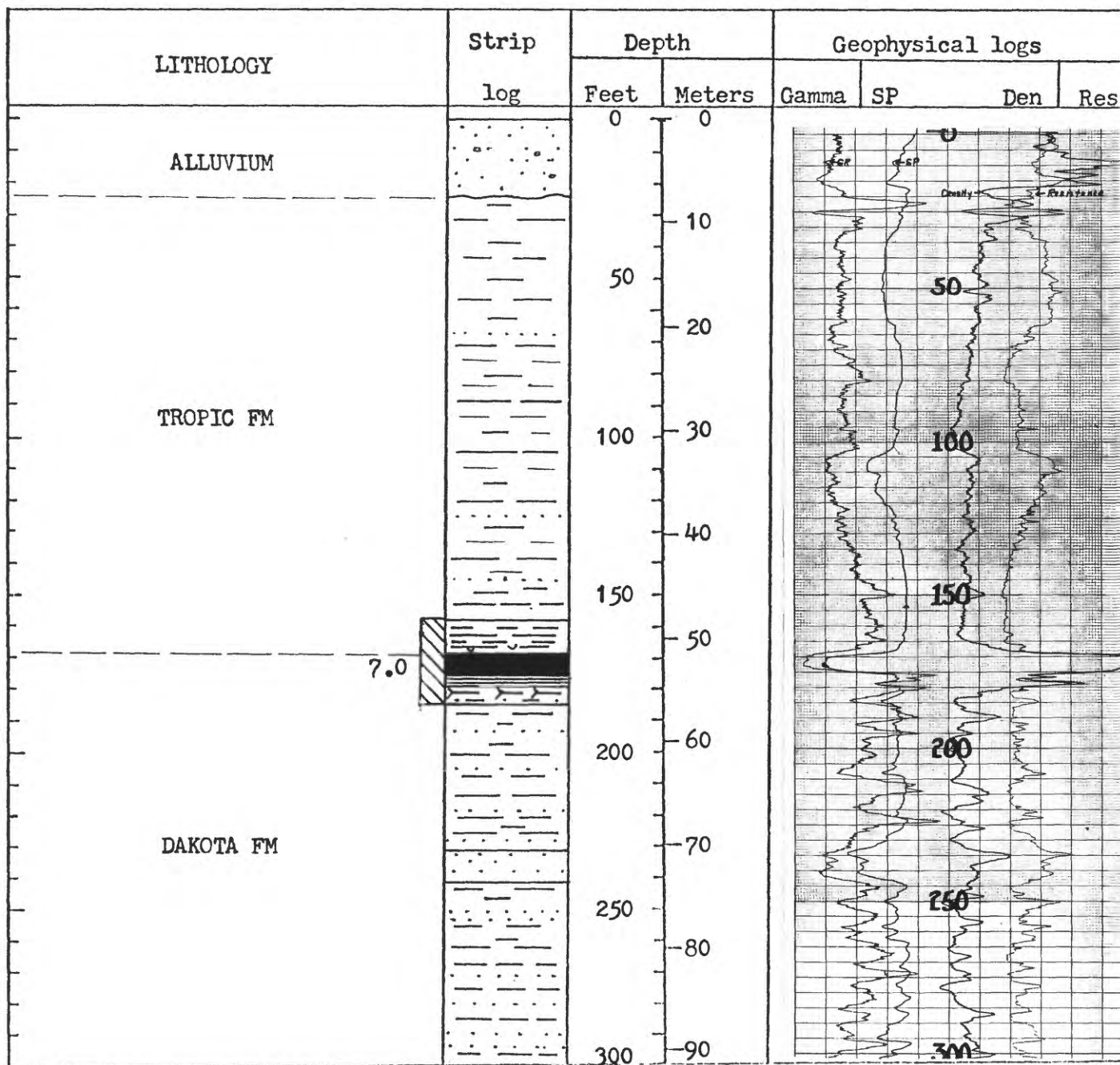
Drilling fluid:    Air X Water    Foam X Mud    Fiber     Cored interval  
Geophysical Logs:

Spontaneous potential: Scale 25 MV/inch Logging speed 20 fpm

Resistance: Scale 25 Ohms/inch Logging speed 20 fpm

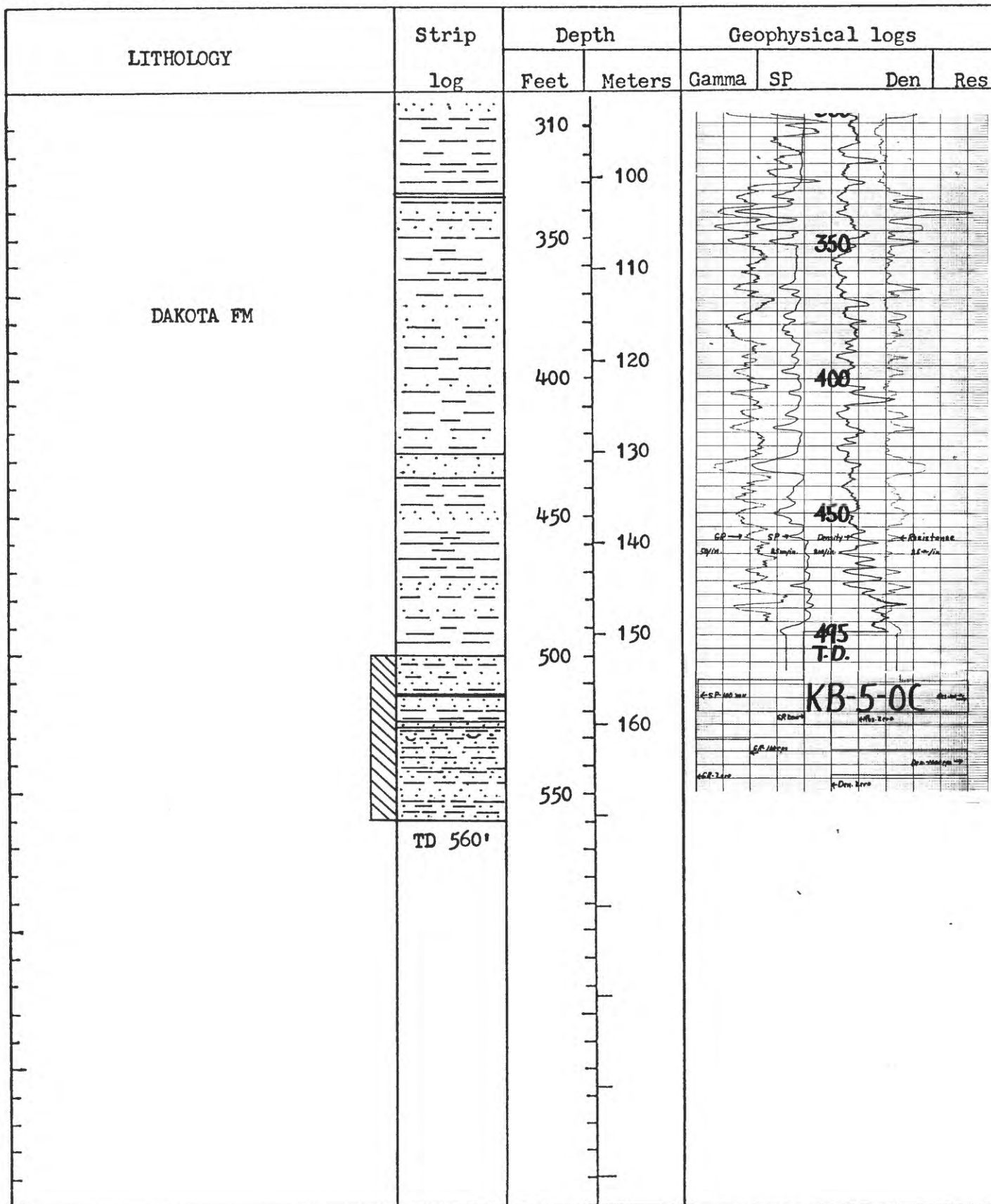
Gamma: T.C. 2 Sec. Scale 50 CPS/inch Logging speed 20 fpm

Gamma dens: T.C. 2 Sec. Scale 200 CPS/inch Logging speed 20 fpm



Drill-hole no. KB-5-0C (continued)

Cored interval 



U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY  
DRILL-HOLE LOGS, KOLOB COAL FIELD, UTAH

Hole no. KB-6-OC Date logged 8/28/77 Surface elevation (ft) 6,730'

Loc.: State UTAH Cnty. KANE T. 40 S, R. 8 W, Sec. 21, NENENW

Drilled depth (ft) 1,060' Logged depth (ft) 1,064' Water level (ft) 130'

Drilling fluid:    Air   X   Water    Foam   X   Mud   X   Fiber

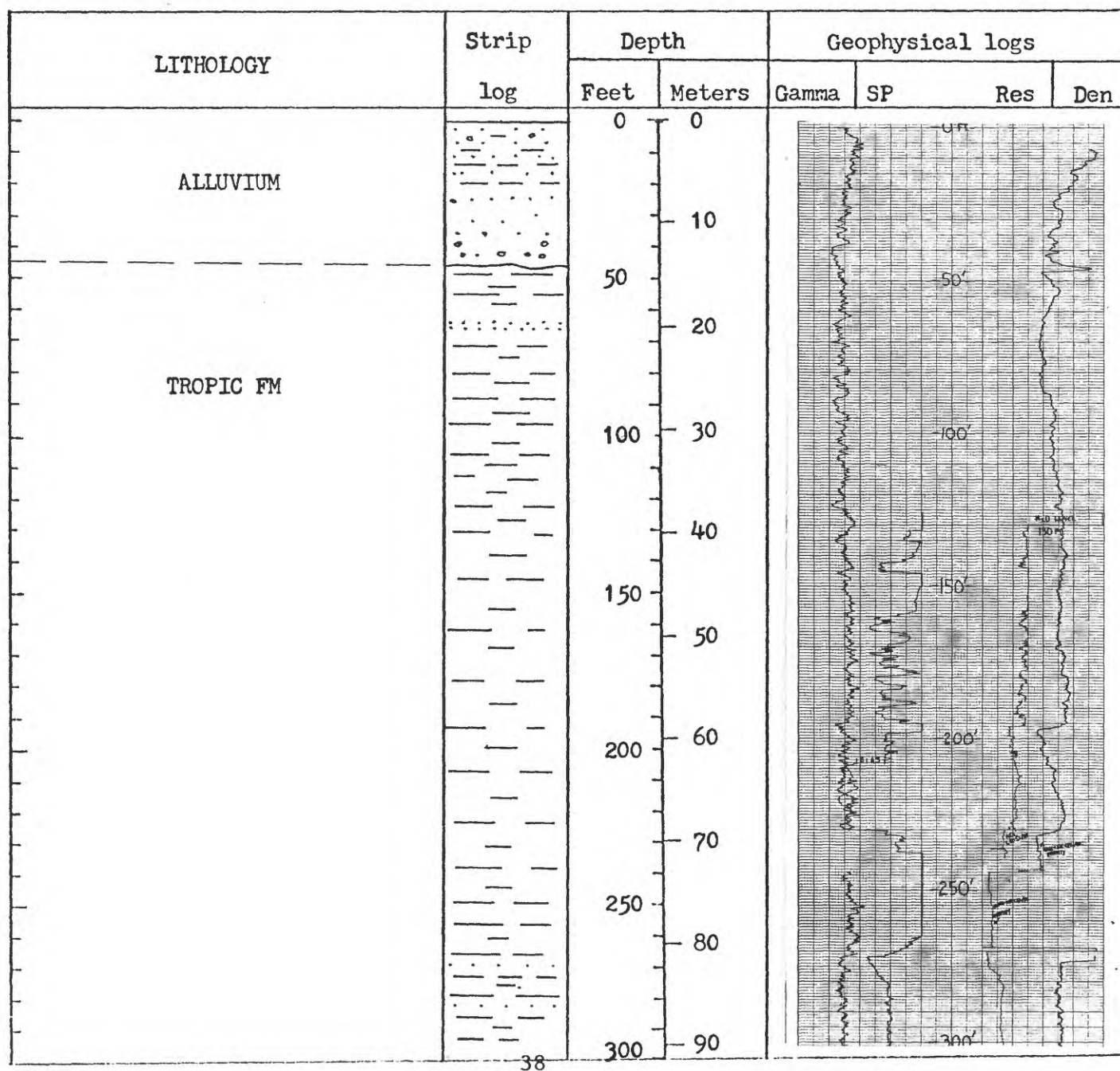
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Spontaneous potential: Scale 250 MV/inch Logging speed 20/25 fpm

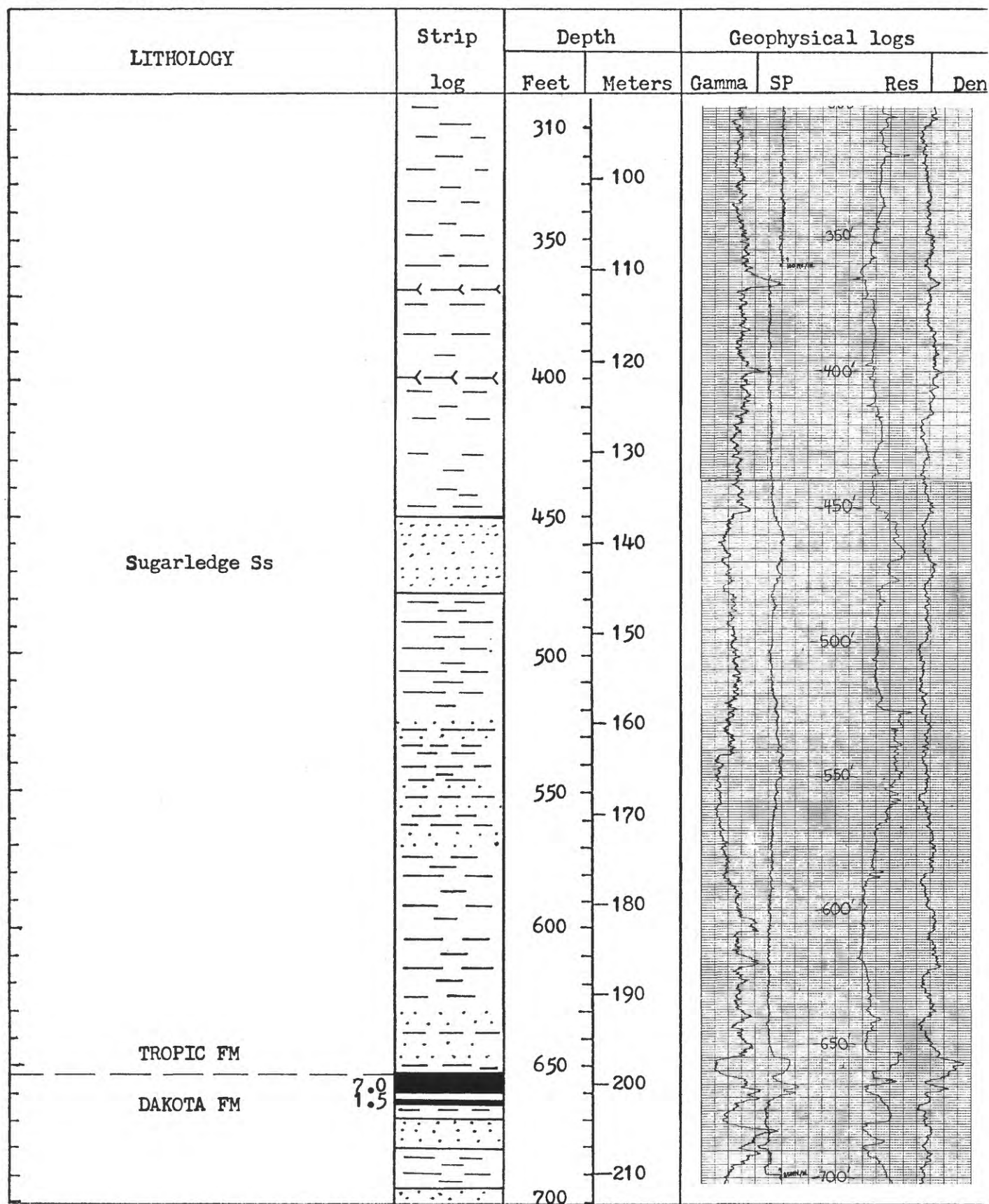
Resistance: Scale 50 Ohms/inch Logging speed 20/25 fpm

Gamma: T.C. 1 Sec. Scale 50 CPS/inch Logging speed 20/25 fpm

Gamma dens: T.C. 1 Sec. Scale 2500 CPS/inch Logging speed 20/25 fpm



Cored interval





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U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY  
DRILL-HOLE LOGS, KOLOB COAL FIELD, UTAH

Hole no. KB-7-OC Date logged 10/4/77 Surface elevation (ft) 6,900'

Loc.: State UTAH Cnty. KANE T. 39 S., R. 8 W., Sec. 6, SWSESW

Drilled depth (ft) 1,160' Logged depth (ft) 1,160' Water level (ft) 387'

Drilling fluid:    Air X Water    Foam X Mud X Fiber

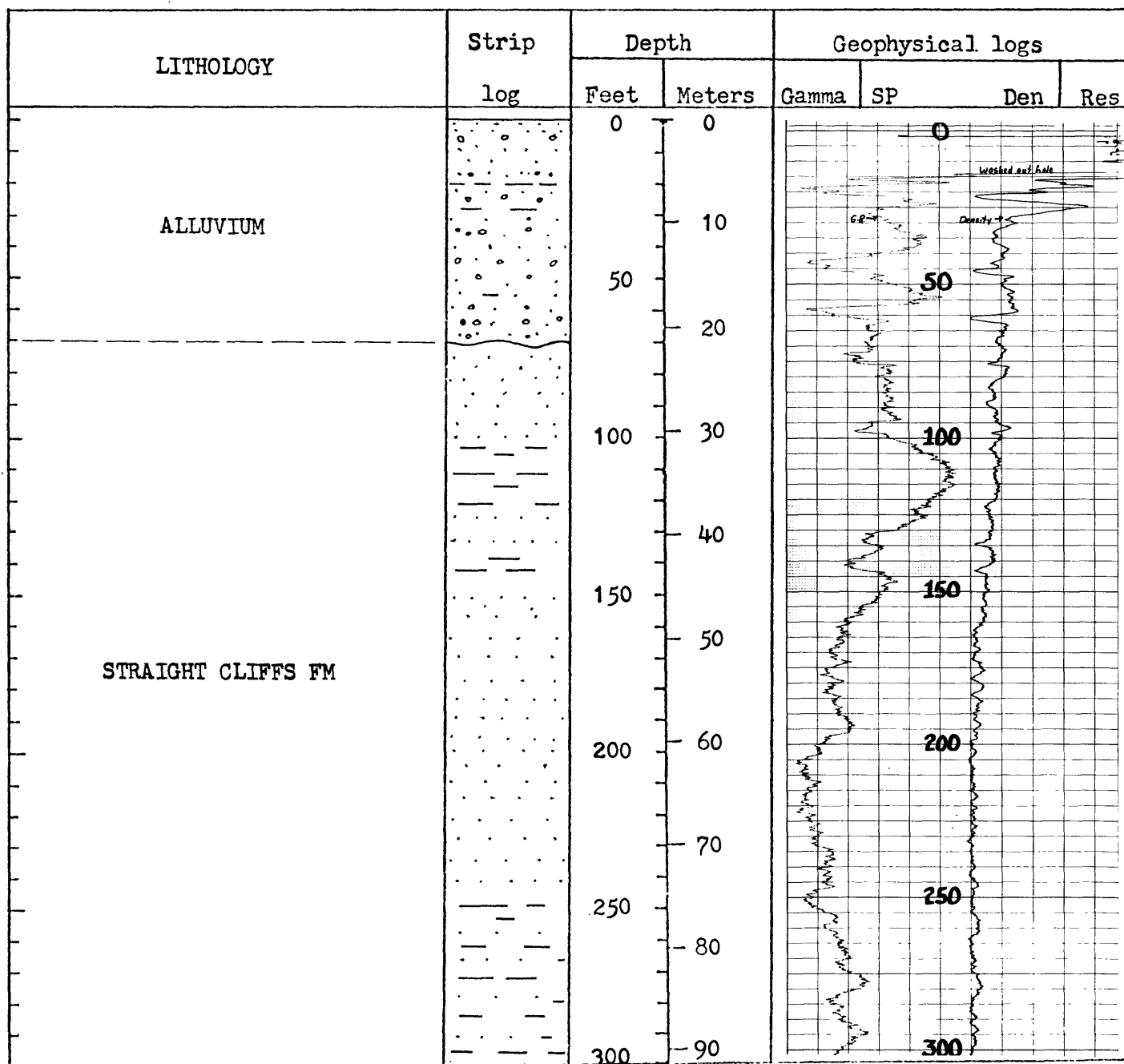
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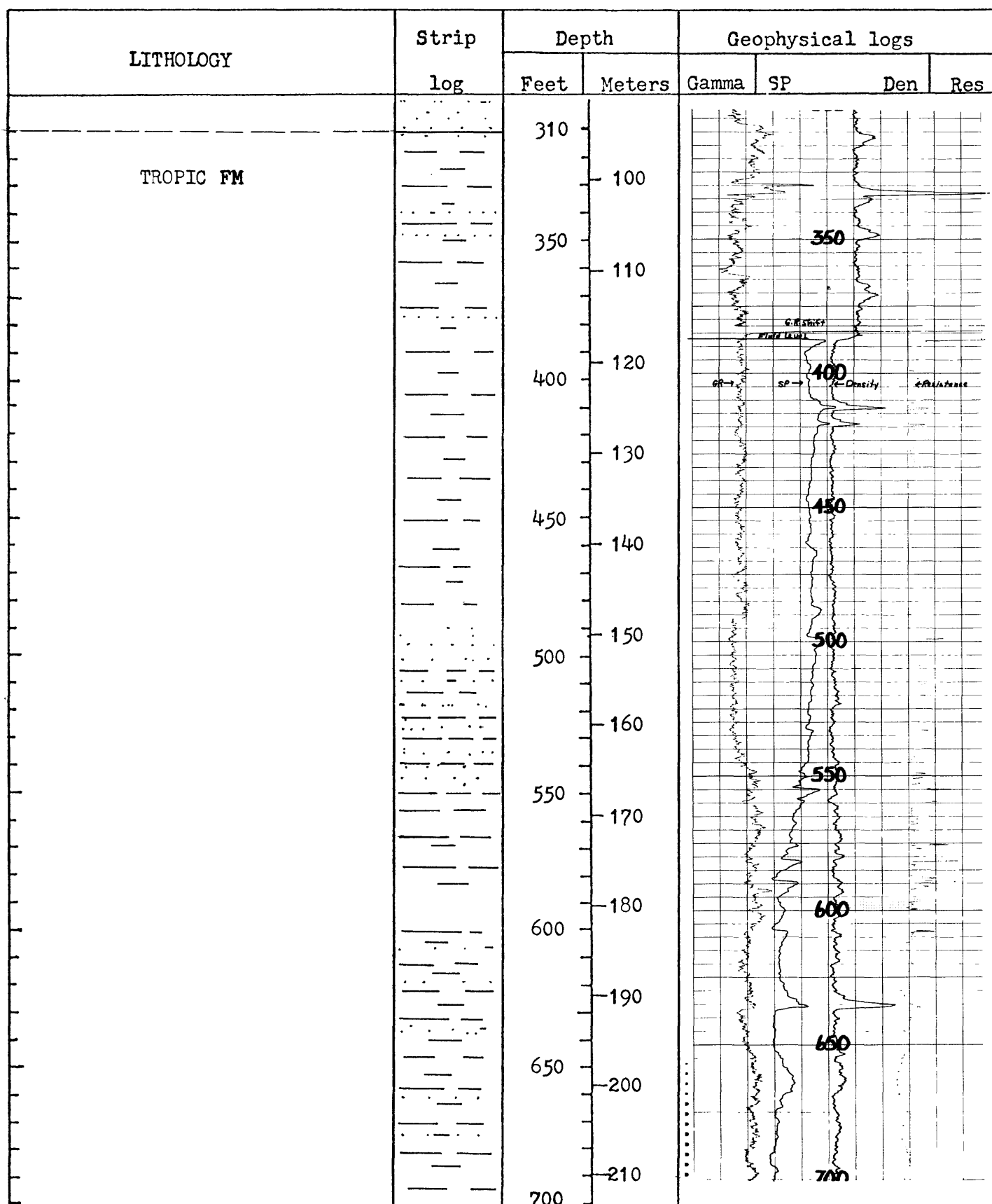
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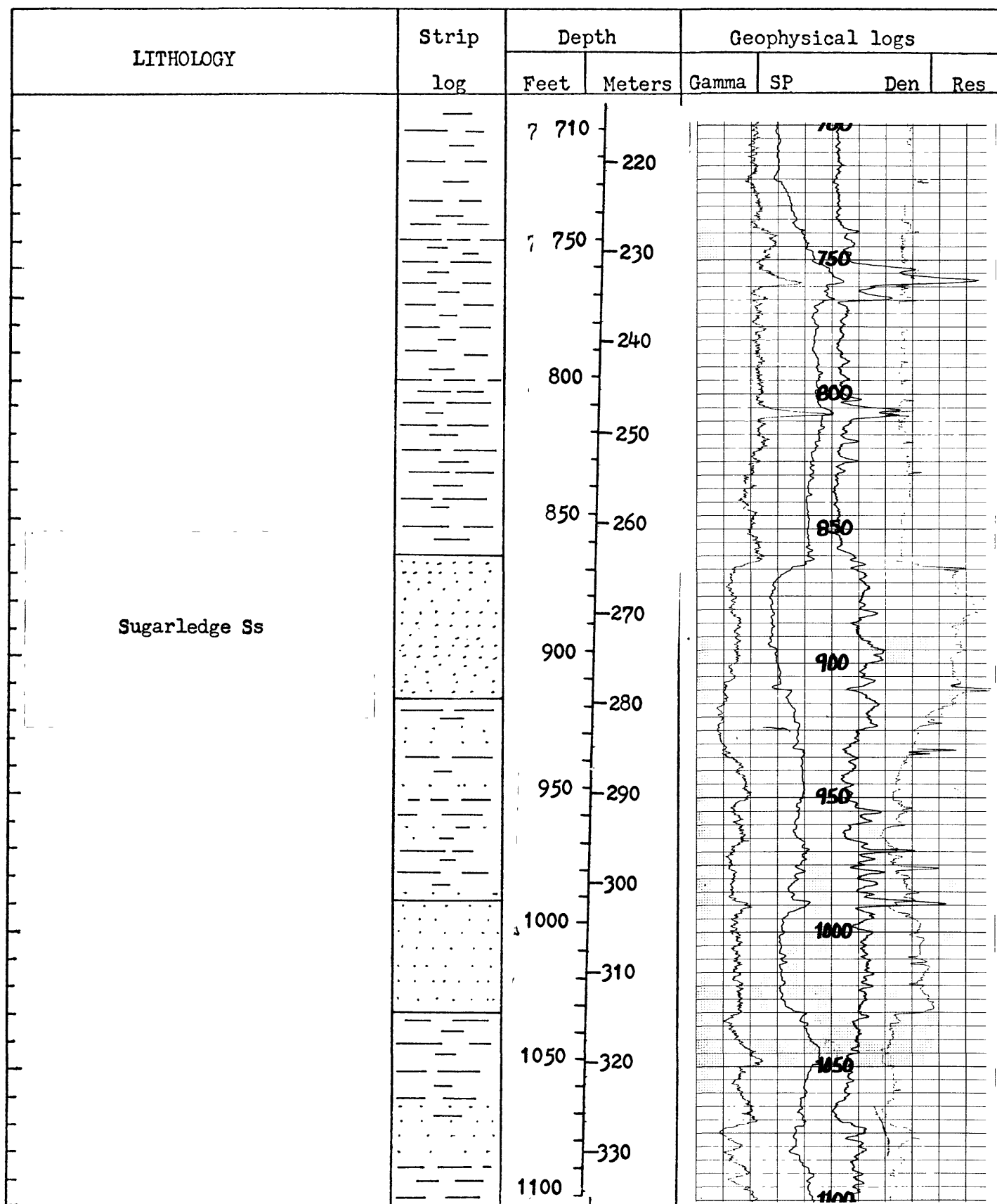

Resistance: Scale 25 Ohms/inch Logging speed 20 fpm

Gamma: T.C. 2 Sec. Scale 50 CPS/inch Logging speed 20 fpm


Gamma dens: T.C. 2 Sec. Scale 200 CPS/inch Logging speed 20 fpm

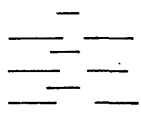
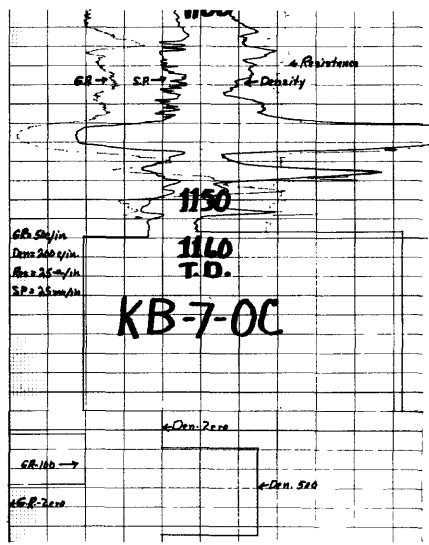
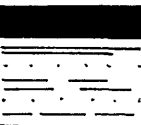
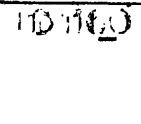


Cored interval 


Cored interval 

Drill-hole no. KB-7-OC (continued)

Cored interval 

LITHOLOGY	Strip log	Depth		Geophysical logs			
		Feet	Meters	Gamma	SP	Den	Res
TROPIC FM		1110					
8.0		1130					
DAKOTA FM		1150					
	