

Base from U. S. Geological Survey, 1953
as part of the Department of the Interior program
for the development of the Missouri River Basin
Control by Dams and Levees
Topography from aerial photographs by multiple methods
Aerial photographs taken 1949. Field check 1953
Projection: 1927 North American datum
30,000 foot grid based on Wyoming coordinate system,
and central zone.
Tonal and line indicate approximate locations.

Geology mapped in 1974 and 1975,
checked by R. W. Jones

SCALE 1:24000
Kilometer Mile
CONTOUR INTERVAL, 20 FEET
SEMINOE DAM SE
84500 - 81045 - 75

CORRELATION OF MAP UNITS

Qal	Holocene	QUATERNARY
Qs	Holocene (?)	
Qc	Holocene and Pleistocene	
Qtd	Pleistocene (?)	TERTIARY AND CRETACEOUS
TKf	Paleocene and Upper Cretaceous	
Kmb		
Kfh		
Kld		
Kl		CRETACEOUS
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Kal		
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Khm		
Kha		
Khm		JURASSIC
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Khm		TRIASSIC
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Khm		PERMIAN
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Khm		PENNSYLVANIAN
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Khm		MISSISSIPPIAN
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Khm		PALEOZOIC
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DESCRIPTION OF MAP UNITS

Qal ALLUVIUM (HOLOCENE)—Unconsolidated clay, silt, sand, and gravel along stream channels and tributaries

Qs STABLE SAND DUNES (HOLOCENE)—Unconsolidated eolian sand stabilized in dunes by vegetation

Qc COLLUVIUM AND SLOPE MASS (HOLOCENE AND PLEISTOCENE)—Thin poorly sorted deposits of clay, silt, sand, and gravel; includes talus deposits on steep slopes in northeastern part of quadrangle

Qtd TERRACE DEPOSITS (PLEISTOCENE)—Poorly sorted unconsolidated deposits of clay, silt, sand, and cobble-size gravel. Cobbles are predominantly rounded and quartzitic; quartzite cobbles have a weathering rind as thick as 0.5 in.

TKf PEDIMENT DEPOSITS (PLEISTOCENE)—Poorly sorted unconsolidated deposits of clay, silt, sand, gravel, and boulders. Gravel and boulders consist of igneous and metamorphic rocks similar to rocks that crop out in the mountains to the north and northwest and are very angular

Kmb FERRIS FORMATION (PALEOCENE AND UPPER CRETACEOUS)—Upper part: mudstone, shale, siltstone, sandstone, conglomeratic sandstone, and coal. Sandstone is white to light tan to dark orange-brown, very fine to coarse grained and conglomeratic, arkosic, ferruginous, and concretionary. Numerous thick coal beds occur throughout the unit. About 3,600 ft thick. Not mapped separately from lower part. Lower part: conglomeratic sandstone, sandstone, shale, carbonaceous shale, mudstone, and minor coal. Conglomeratic sandstone is dark gray to dark brown, ferruginous; contains pebbles of black, red, and yellow chert, red and gray quartzite, and sparse rhyolite and quartz latite porphyry. Bone fragments are common and some have been identified as *Triceratops* (Spencer, 1918, p. 210-231). Plant microfossils collected by Gill, Merewether, and Cobban (1970) yielded a Late Cretaceous assemblage. Generally, the conglomeratic sandstone and sandstone are poorly exposed and form low rounded ridges. From 1,000 to 2,600 ft thick. Total thickness about 4,800 ft

Kfh MEDICINE BOW FORMATION (UPPER CRETACEOUS)—Shale, mudstone, sandstone, carbonaceous shale, and coal. Upper part: coarse-grained massive friable sandstone interbedded with dark-gray and maroon shale. Middle part: thick-bedded fine-grained sandstone interbedded with dark-colored shale. Lower part: massive to crossbedded sandstone forming conspicuous ledges interbedded with shale, carbonaceous shale, and coal; about 700 ft thick. Total thickness about 6,600 ft

Kl FOX HILLS FORMATION (UPPER CRETACEOUS)—Sandstone, light-gray, weathering to yellowish-gray and light-brown, thin-bedded to massive; olive-gray to dark-gray sandy shale, nonresistant and poorly exposed. Sandstone contains fossiliferous sandstone concretions, *Ophiomorpha*, carbonaceous oysters; shale contains oysters. Upper part contains carbonaceous shale near contact with Medicine Bow Formation and brackish-water fossils and thin beds of impure coal. About 450 ft thick

Kls LEWIS SHALE (UPPER CRETACEOUS)—Total thickness about 2,300 ft. Upper part: predominantly silty shale with shaly siltstone and very fine grained silty platy fossiliferous sandstone. Middle and basal parts: silty shale and sandy siltstone. About 450 ft thick

Kal SANDSTONE MEMBER—Very fine to fine-grained silty sandstone, laminated to thin-bedded, partly irregular-bedded, mostly poorly cemented; sandy and shaly siltstone, laminated to thin-bedded; and silty shale

Kpr LOWER UNNAMED SANDSTONE MEMBER—Very fine to fine-grained silty sandstone

Kar ALMOND FORMATION (UPPER CRETACEOUS)—Yellowish-gray to yellow, weathering to brown, fine-grained thin-bedded sandstone; locally contains *Ophiomorpha*, carbonaceous oysters, carbonaceous shale, and coal. Dark-gray shale locally contains fossiliferous limestone concretions. About 460 ft thick

Khm ALLEN RIDGE FORMATION (UPPER CRETACEOUS)—Brown very fine to fine-grained sandstone, siltstone, shale, carbonaceous shale, and thin coal. About 700 ft thick

Khm HAYSTACK MOUNTAINS FORMATION (UPPER CRETACEOUS)—Total thickness in this quadrangle from 2,300 to 2,400 ft

Khm UPPER UNNAMED MEMBER—Dark-gray silty shale, siltstone, and very fine to fine-grained sandstone. From 300 to 350 ft thick

Khm HARRIS SANDSTONE MEMBER—Pale-yellowish-gray very fine to fine-grained cliff-forming sandstone; thin-bedded and crossbedded. From 180 to 225 ft thick

Khm MIDDLE UNNAMED MEMBER—Dark-gray silty shale, very fine to fine-grained sandstone (s, top of sandstone), and sandy siltstone.

Khm O'Brien Spring Sandstone Member—Pale-yellowish-gray very fine to fine-grained thin-bedded cliff-forming sandstone. Contains abundant *Ophiomorpha*. From 160 to 220 ft thick

Khm LOWER UNNAMED MEMBER—Dark-gray silty shale, sandy siltstone, and very fine grained silty sandstone. From 500 to 900 ft thick

Khm Tapers Ranch Sandstone Member—Grayish-green fine- to coarse-grained thin-bedded glauconitic sandstone, with laminae of dark-gray sandy shale. From 200 to 250 ft thick. (Description of unit from Gill and others, 1970)

Ka STEELE SHALE (UPPER CRETACEOUS)—Dark-gray shale with thin layers of limestone concretions, very fine grained sandstone, and siltstone. Nonresistant and very poorly exposed. About 2,800 ft thick

Kn NIOWARA FORMATION (UPPER CRETACEOUS)—Medium- to dark-gray calcareous and concretionary shale. Nonresistant and poorly exposed. About 1,200 ft thick

Ku UNNAMED SHALE UNIT (UPPER CRETACEOUS)—Dark-gray concretionary shale. Nonresistant and poorly exposed. Described by Merewether (1972). About 140 ft thick

Kfu FRONTIER FORMATION (UPPER CRETACEOUS)—Total thickness about 950 ft

Kfu Upper part (includes Wall Creek Member)—Fine- to medium-grained sandstone interbedded with dark-gray shale. Sandstone is conglomeratic near top, thin-bedded, irregular-bedded and crossbedded, and concretionary and burrowed. About 250 ft thick

Kfu Lower part—Very dark gray shale, siltstone, and very fine to fine-grained sandstone. About 700 ft thick

Km MORY SHALE (LOWER CRETACEOUS)—Gray, weathering to white, siliceous shale. About 200 ft thick

Kt THERMOPOLIS SHALE (LOWER CRETACEOUS)—Dark-gray shale, siltstone, and tan to light-gray fine-grained irregular-bedded sandstone (Ogby Sandstone Member, about 10 ft thick). About 200 ft thick

Kc CLOVELY FORMATION (LOWER CRETACEOUS)—White to gray fine-grained coarse-grained conglomeratic massive to crossbedded sandstone. About 140 ft thick

Jm MORRISON (UPPER JURASSIC) AND SUNDANCE (UPPER AND MIDDLE JURASSIC) FORMATIONS UNDIVIDED—Morrison Formation: siltstone and fine-grained sandstone; very poorly exposed; about 100 ft thick. Sundance Formation: tan very fine to fine-grained thin-bedded laminated to crossbedded and massive sandstone; shale, siltstone, and thin limestone; very poorly exposed; about 310 ft thick. Total thickness about 450 ft

Trp POPO AGIE AND JELM FORMATIONS UNDIVIDED (UPPER TRIASSIC)—Red shale and sandstone, and tan to red siltstone; very poorly exposed. May include Little Springs Member of Nugent Sandstone (Lower Jurassic) at top of unit. About 380 ft thick

Ta ALCOVA LIMESTONE (TRIASSIC)—Gray thin-bedded limestone; crinoidal and resistant. About 10 ft thick

Trp RED PEAK FORMATION (LOWER TRIASSIC)—Red calcareous siltstone, red shale, and white to tan fine-grained sandstone; poorly exposed. About 580 ft thick

Trp GOOSE EGG FORMATION (LOWER TRIASSIC AND PERMIAN)—Unexposed. Diverse lithology includes purple, pink, and gray dolomitic limestone, red siltstone, and clay sandstone (Barthman, 1972, p. 13). About 580 ft thick. Shown in cross section only

Pt TENISLEEP SANDSTONE (PENNSYLVANIAN)—Upper part: fine- to medium-grained massive crossbedded sandstone and quartzite; very well indurated and resistant; forms flatirons in northeastern corner of quadrangle. Lower part not exposed. Total thickness about 600 ft

Pma AMSDEN FORMATION (PENNSYLVANIAN AND MISSISSIPPIAN)—Shown in cross section only

M Madison Limestone (MISSISSIPPIAN)—Shown in cross section only

Pz PALEOZOIC ROCKS UNDIVIDED—Shown in cross section only

COAL BED—Approximately located; short dashed where inferred; dotted where concealed. Thickness of coal, measured at triangle, in feet; K, peak; SC, bossy coal; R, bone. Number in circle refers to location of measured coal section. Letter and number symbol indicates identification of coal bed. Trace and thickness of coal beds in Almond Formation (Kal) are from Dobbin, Bowen, and Hoops (1929); no coal bed thicknesses are shown for Medicine Bow Formation (Kmb)

BKX and BKSD ROCK—Trace of buried coal bed approximately located; short dashed where inferred. Inverted v's represent approximate areal extent of burned coal

CONTACT—Approximately located; short dashed where inferred; dotted where concealed

FAULT—Approximately located; short dashed where inferred; dotted where concealed. Bar and ball on downthrown side; R, reverse throw

ANTICLINE—Approximately located; short dashed where inferred; dotted where concealed. Arrow along axis shows direction of plunge

SYNCLINE—Approximately located; short dashed where inferred; dotted where concealed. Arrow along axis shows direction of plunge

STRIKE AND DIP OF BEDS

Inclined

Overturned

ABANDONED OIL AND GAS TEST HOLE—Showing operator, lease name, and total depth

COAL DRILL HOLE—Number in circle refers to location of correlated drill hole

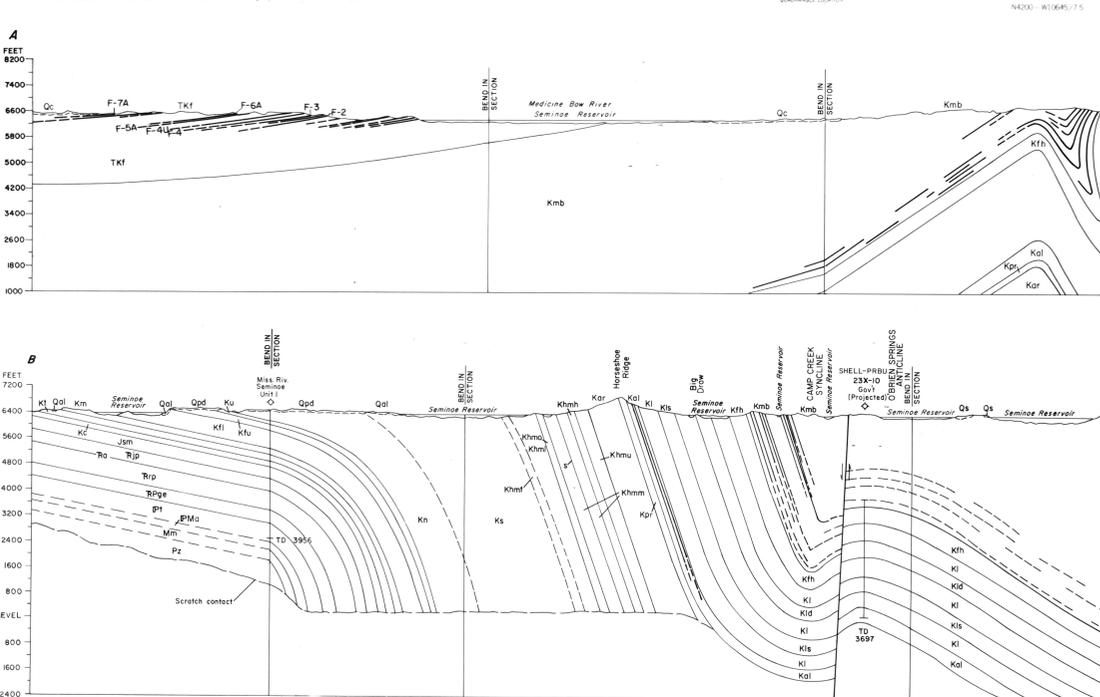
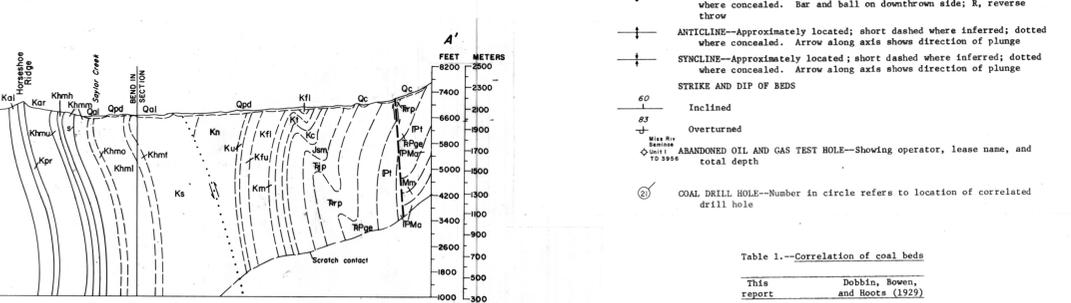


Table 1.—Correlation of coal beds

This report	Dobbin, Bowen, and Hoops (1929)
F-2	121 (27)
F-3	122 (28)
F-4	123 (31)
F-4U	124 (33)
F-5A	125
F-6A	127
F-7A	129

Table 2.—Coal analysis for two drill-cutting samples from holes drilled in the Seminoe Dam SE quadrangle, Carbon County, Wyoming

[Type of analysis: A, as received; B, moisture free; and C, moisture and ash free. —, not applicable]

Sample	Coal bed (feet)	Type of analysis	Proximate analysis (in percent)				Heating value (Btu/lb)
			Moisture	Volatile matter	Fixed carbon	Ash	
253-298	F-3, and F-4U	A	29.9	25.1	34.8	10.2	7,844
		B	—	35.8	49.6	14.6	11,195
		C	—	41.9	58.1	—	13,106

Drill-hole SD-1-36, NMSM, sec. 36, T. 24 N., R. 84 W. (No. 15 on map)

Sample	Coal bed (feet)	Type of analysis	Moisture	Volatile matter	Fixed carbon	Ash	Heating value (Btu/lb)
97-108	F-7A	A	7.1	28.8	35.1	29.0	8,311
		B	—	31.0	37.8	31.2	8,943
		C	—	45.0	55.0	—	12,991

GEOLOGIC MAP AND COAL DEPOSITS OF THE SEMINOE DAM SE QUADRANGLE, CARBON COUNTY, WYOMING

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