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Preliminary geologic map of the San Fernando 7.5' quadrangle
Southern California

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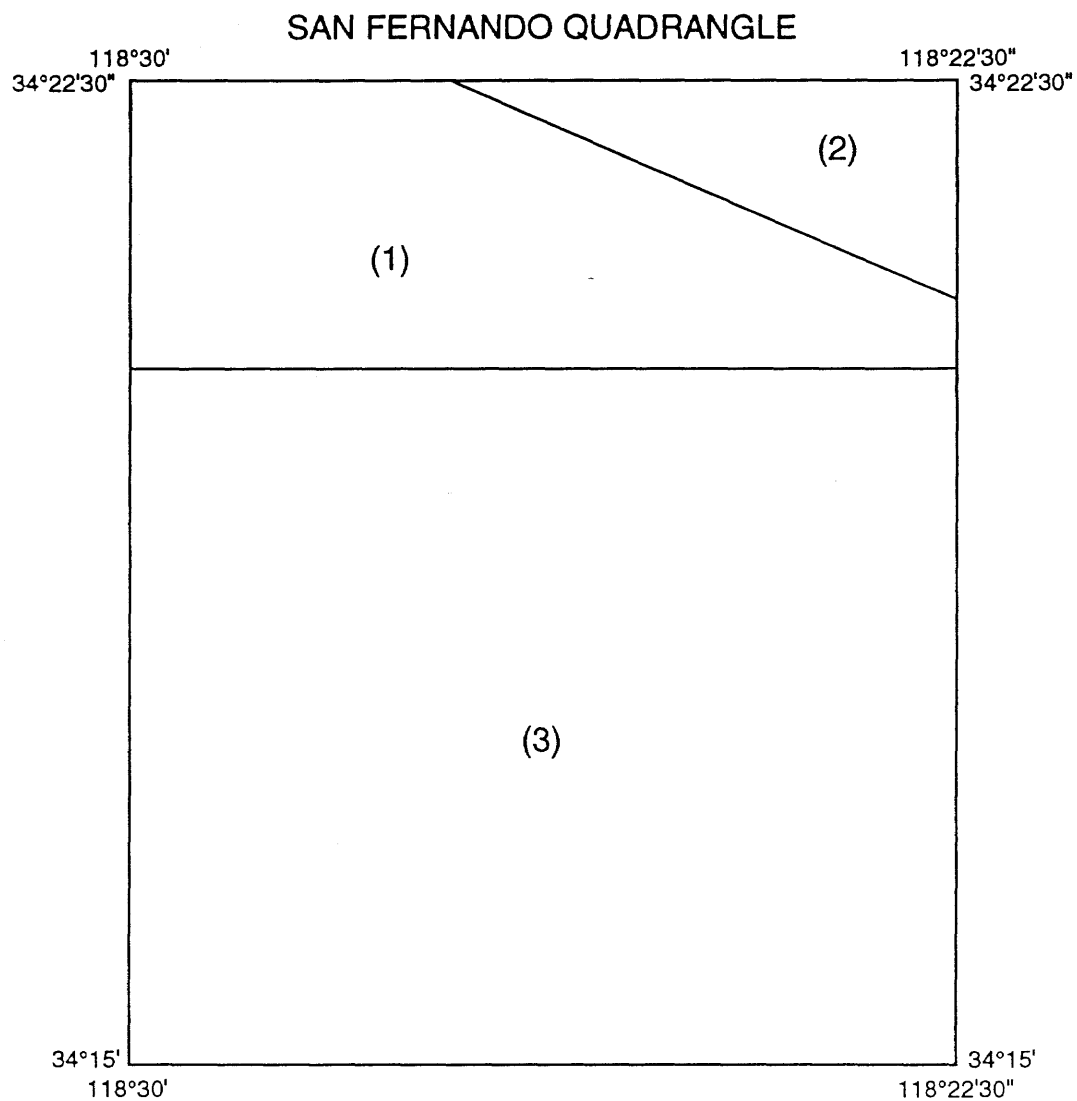
INTRODUCTION

This map is a preliminary product of the Southern California Digital 1:100, 000 Geologic Map Series (Southern California Areal Mapping Project-SCAMP; Morton and Kennedy, 1989). The 1:24,000 manuscript for this map was compiled from original sources, chiefly at 1:24,000, and scanned and processed digitally using the U. S. Geological Survey Alacarte menu-driven interface (Wentworth and Fitzgibbon, 1991) for ARC/INFO, a commercial geographic information system (GIS) available from Environmental Systems Research Institute, Redlands, California.

This 1:24,000 quadrangle is one of sixteen that form the east half of the Los Angeles 1:100,000 quadrangle; the 1:24,000 quadrangles form the basic data supporting the regional-scale quadrangle, and thus include available data on exploratory oil wells and fossil collections.

Stratigraphic nomenclature is largely that of the source materials; it is subject to further modification as compilation progresses. Minor adjustments have been made in geologic boundaries to conform to the metric base, which was enlarged from 1:100,000.

Base-map layers, drainage, roads, and topo contours, were prepared from publicly-available digital line graph (DLG) data for the 1:100,000 Los Angeles metric topographic map (1979 edition) by R. H. Campbell, U. S. Geological Survey, Reston, VA.

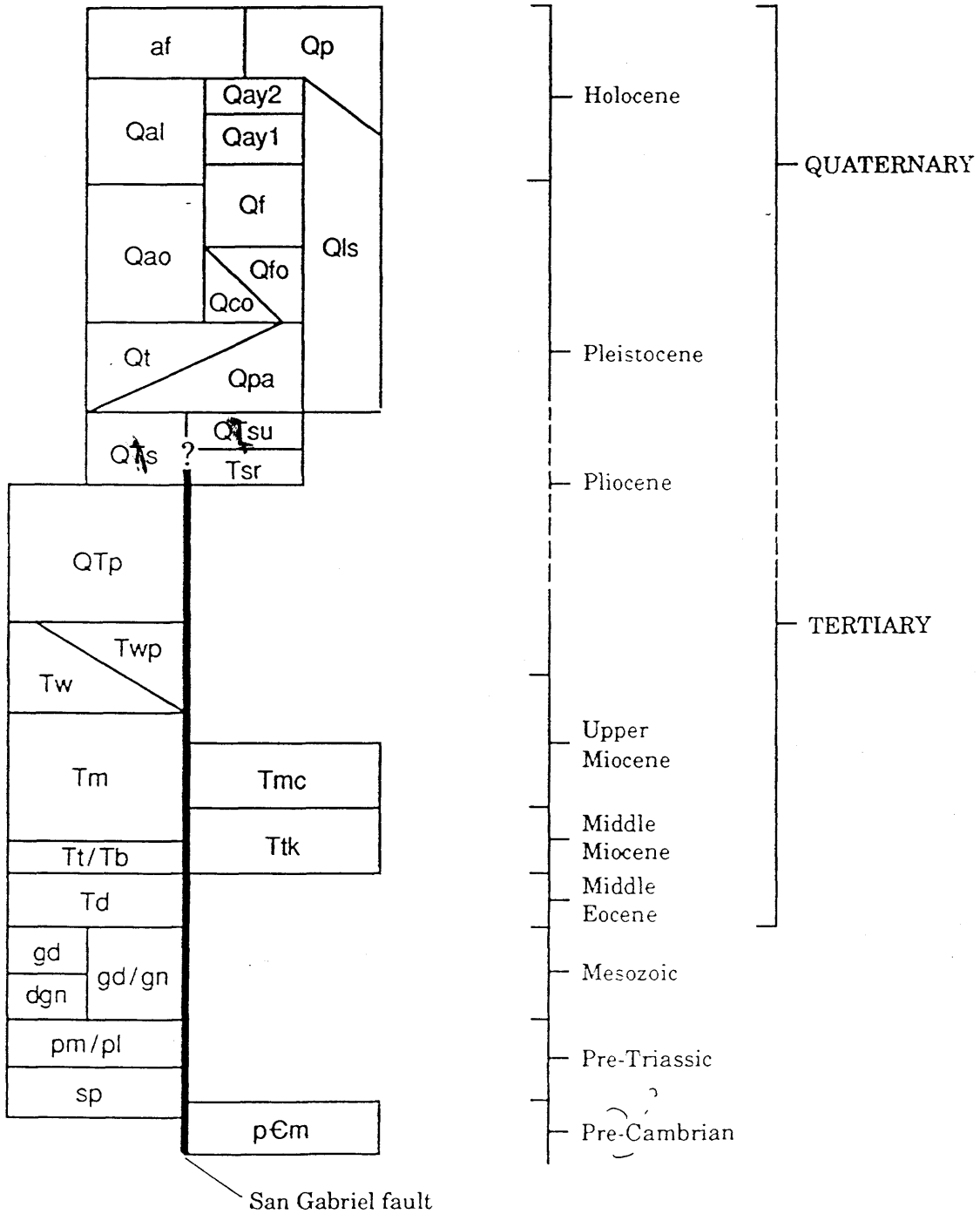


EXPLANATION

1. Oakeshott, 1958b
2. Weber, 1982
3. Barrows and others, 1974;
Tinsley and others, 1985

Figure 1 - INDEX MAP SHOWING SOURCES OF GEOLOGIC MAPPING

CORRELATION OF MAP UNITS, PRELIMINARY GEOLOGIC MAP OF SAN FERNANDO QUADRANGLE



EXPLANATION, PRELIMINARY GEOLOGIC MAP, SAN FERNANDO QUADRANGLE

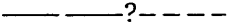
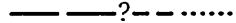




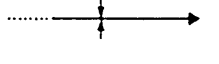




DESCRIPTION OF MAP UNITS

- af Artificial fill--Locally faulted or cracked during 1971 San Fernando earthquake; structures built wholly or partly on fill commonly damaged
- Qal Alluvium (Holocene)--Deposits in present drainages, alluvial fans, and flood plains: sand and gravel, fine- to coarse-grained, unconsolidated and uncemented, locally includes young colluvium; locally faulted, uplifted, and tilted during 1971 San Fernando earthquake; Qay₂, areas that have flooded historically, thickness 0-3 m, age less than 1,000 yrs; Qay₁, undifferentiated Holocene alluvium, age 1,000-10,000 yrs.
- Qp Pond deposits (Holocene)--Sand, silt, clay, and organic material; unconsolidated
- Qf Alluvial Fan deposits (Holocene and Pleistocene)--Sand and gravel, generally coarse-grained, unconsolidated; at mouths of steep drainages, coalesced to form aprons below steep slopes
- Qls Landslide deposits (Holocene and Pleistocene)--Fractured and sheared bedrock and surficial materials, commonly slumps; Qls*, reactivated during 1971 San Fernando earthquake
- Qao Older alluvium (Pleistocene)--Fine- to coarse-grained sand and gravel; unconsolidated to moderately consolidated; commonly with reddish clay-bearing soil; prior to 1971 San Fernando earthquake had been faulted, uplifted/tilted and dissected
- Qfo Older alluvial fan deposits (Pleistocene)--Sand and gravel, slightly consolidated, dissected
- Qco Older colluvial and debris flow deposits (Pleistocene)--Silt, clay, sand, and rock fragments, typically reddish, sbeneath Tujunga segment of 1971 fault rupture (east center of map)
- Qt Terrace deposits (Pleistocene)--Gravel with cobbles and boulders, interbedded coarse-grained sand and fine-pebble gravel, thickness up to 200 ft
- Qpa Pacoima Formation (Pleistocene)--Pebbly-bouldery fanglomerate of locally-derived basement rocks in a matrix of dark brown-reddish mudstone-soil, poorly sorted, moderately to well-consolidated to poorly cemented, locally strongly folded and faulted

- Qs Saugus Formation (Pleistocene)**--Pebble conglomerate and coarse-grained sandstone, poorly sorted, cross bedded, loosely consolidated to poorly cemented, nonmarine; thickness about 490 m; **Qsu--Upper member (western area)**: pebble conglomerate and coarse-grained sandstone, similar to undivided sequence to east, but grades downward into:
- Tsr Sunshine Ranch member:** (Pliocene and Pleistocene?)--Non-marine fluviatile, brackish-water, and lacustrine gravel, sandstone, sandy mudstone, reddish and greenish mudstone, sandstone, and conglomerate, some thin white freshwater limestone; thickness about 705 m
- Tp Pico Formation (Pliocene)**--Marine, chiefly pale gray resistant coarse-grained sandstone and pebble conglomerate, massive, friable, fossiliferous (table 2), grades downward into:
- Twp Towsley and/or Pico Formations undifferentiated (upper Miocene and lower Pliocene)**--Sandstone and pebble conglomerate, thickness about 910 m
- Tw Towsley Formation (upper Miocene and lower Pliocene)**--Sandstone and conglomerate, commonly massive, local beds of breccia, locally petroliferous, some siltstone and shale, conglomerate commonly contain clasts of anorthosite; thickness about 750 m, abundant molluscan fauna (table 2)
- Tm Modelo Formation (upper Miocene)**--Shale, diatomaceous to cherty, siltstone, sandstone and conglomerate in upper part, landslides common, foraminifera referred to the Mohnian Stage (upper Miocene; table 2), thickness about 910 m
- Tmc Mint Canyon Formation (middle to upper Miocene. North of San Gabriel fault)**--Nonmarine siltstone, sandstone, conglomerate; moderately well consolidated, fluviatile and lacustrine in origin; thickness about 580 m
- Ttk Tick Canyon Formation (middle Miocene; north of San Gabriel fault)**--Chiefly breccia of gabbro-norite, gneiss, and anorthosite clasts, fluviatile/lacustrine sandstone, siltstone, and conglomerate, well stratified and well cemented; sparse vertebrate fauna referred to late-lower or earliest-middle Miocene (Oakeshott, 1958, p. 53)
- Tt? Topanga Formation? (middle Miocene; southeast corner of map)**--Chiefly nonmarine arkose, mudstone, and conglomerate, top of sequence contains coarse-grained sandstone with few poorly-preserved pelecypod casts (Oakeshott, 1958, p. 64); **Tb**, dense vesicular basaltic flows and minor reddish-purple breccia

Td	Domengine Formation (middle Eocene, Domengine Stage)--Calcareous sandstone, massive, medium grained, compact, well indurated, greenish gray, with well-rounded pebbles and cobbles; definite "Domengine" (middle Eocene) microfauna encountered at 1404 ft in nearby well no. 229B (table 1)
gd	Granodiorite (Cretaceous?)-Gray, medium- to coarse-grained granitic rocks, varying from quartz diorite to granite, locally gneissic facies near contacts with older rocks
dgn	Diorite gneiss (Mesozoic)--Generally dark gneisses, but include metadiorites, hornblende diorite, local amphibole schists
pm	Placerita Formation (pre-Cretaceous)--Schist and feldspathic gneiss as roof pendants; pl, marble, crystalline limestone, or dolomite
sp	Serpentinite (pre-Triassic?)-Serpentinized peridotite, light- to dark-green, highly sheared and slickensided, rounded fragments and boulders; tabular body interlayered with foliated metasedimentary rocks
gb	gabbroic rocks (preCambrian)--altered rocks bordering a large anorthosite-norite complex
pCm	Mendenhall gneiss (preCambrian;--North of San Gabriel fault)-blue quartz-plagioclase gneisses, dominantly quartzo-feldspathic granulite; to northeast intruded by pre-Cambrian anorthosite complex (1190 MA; Barth and others, 1995).

MAP SYMBOLS

	Contact or mapped horizon —Long-dashed where approximately located, short-dashed where inferred
	Fault —Long-dashed where approximately located, short-dashed where inferred, dotted where concealed, queried where doubtful
	Surface ruptures of 2/9/71 —Shown in red
	Thrust fault —Dashed where approximately located, dotted where concealed; sawteeth on upper plate
	Photolineament —Approximately located
	Anticline —Approximately located, dotted where concealed; showing crestline
	Syncline —Approximately located, dotted where concealed; showing troughline
	Strike and dip of inclined beds —Approximately located
	Strike and dip of foliation —Approximately located
 211	Exploratory well —Number refers to table 1, below
 FM1	Fossil locality —Number refers to table 2, below

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Table 1 - DATA ON EXPLORATORY WELLS, SAN FERNANDO QUADRANGLE¹

MAP NO.	T	RW	Sec.	OPERATOR	NAME/NUMBER	ELEV- ATION (ft)	TOTAL DEPTH (ft)	BOT- TOM ²
213	3N	14	30	Nadot Oil Co.	Nadot 1	2287	3575	Pl
218	3N	15	2	Sandee Oil Co.	Brooks 1	2190	4350	Mm
221	3N	15	3	C.C. Townsend	Townsend-Allen 1	1926	1601	Q
222	3N	15	3	Puccio-Doshay	Puccio-Doshay 1	2000	1200	Gr
223	3N	15	3	Pioneer	White Oil Co. 1	2100	1270	BC
226	3N	15	4	H. E. & J. D. Wilhoit	Wilhoit 1	2200	1778	Mm
229	3N	15	5	W. Y. Lee	Gov't. 1	1504	2602	BC
229A	3N	15	6	Occidental Petroleum Corp.	501	1600	994	?
229B	3N	15	6	Conoco, Inc.	Phillips 1	1646	8253	Gn
230	3N	15	6	H.H. Herrman	Albert-Trinity 1	1650	1040	?
231	3N	15	6	Atlantic Oil Co.	Albert 1	1600	1012	C
232	3N	15	7	Chevron USA, Inc.	Elsmere 23	1450	2821	C
233	3N	15	7	Chevron USA, Inc.	Elsmere 1	1800	1376	E?
235	3N	15	8	H. C. Hicks	Lillie 1	1850	1000	Pl
236	3N	15	17	Graves Oil Co.	1	2200	1500	BC
237	3N	15	18	Chevron USA, Inc.	Elsmere 24	2050	1624	Mm
238	3N	15	18	Buick Oil Co.	2	2140	1485	Pl
239	3N	15	18	M.R. Peck & Sons	Brown 1	2100	796	Gr
240	3N	15	19	Chevron USA, Inc.	Newhall 1	2000	700	Pl
241	3N	15	19	ARCO	T I & T 1	1321	8207	QT
242	3N	15	19	Tesoro Pet. Corp.	T I & T 1	1343	3180	Pl
243	3N	15	20	Ajax O & D Co.	McCloskey-Hansen USL 1	1625	2600	Gr
244	3N	15	21	Sun Oil Co.	Stetson-Sombrero 1	1435	12027	QT
245	3N	15	30	Sun Oil Co.-DX Div.	T I & T 1	1527	8035	Pl
246	3N	15	30	Active Oil Co.	1	1300	2102	Q
247	3N	15	32	San Fernando O & G Co.	1	1150	1953	Mu
248	3N	15	35	H. C. Long	Verda 1-35	1297	6210	Pl
249	3N	15	36	D.W. Griffith Oil Co.	1	1450	1647	Pl
250	3N	15	36	Terminal Drlg. Co.	Lloyd 1	1301	3470	Mu
379	2N	14	6	Bell Pet. Co.	Bartholomaus Canyon- Bush Bar 1	1660	2988	Mu
380	2N	14	6	Bell Pet. Co.	Bartholomaus 74-6	1290	5347	Gr
381	2N	14	6	Oceanic Oil Co.	Oceanic-Dubois 1	1268	3582	Gr
382	2N	14	6	G.C. Parry	Moynier-Parry 1	1220	4216	Mu
383	2N	14	7	W.L. Alexander	1	1125	1239	Mu
387	2N	15	1	Casa Grande Oil Co.	Lopez-Lundy 1	1255	3782	M
388	2N	15	1	E.L. Doheny	E.L.D.-Reeves 1	1650	4568	Mu
389	2N	15	1	Tesoro, Inc.	Toon 1	1250	4553	Mm
390	2N	15	1	K.V. & P.J. Lopez	1	1300	2880	Mu
391	2N	15	2	Pacoima Petroleum & Helium Gas Corp.	1	1000	2700	Mu
392	2N	15	4	Gulf Oil Corp.	Carey 1	1240	10136	Mu
393	2N	15	4	Shell CPI	Mission 1	1173	4953	Mu

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394	2N	15	4	Shell CPI	Mission 2	1130	5687	Mu
395	2N	15	4	Chevron USA, Inc.	Rinaldi C.H. 1	1031	4725	Mu
396	2N	15	5	Mission Hills Oil Co.	1	1100	1421	Mu
397	2N	15	6	Gulf Oil Corp.	Panorama 1	1180	9614	M
398	2N	15	6	Exeter Oil Co.	Exeter-Elerath 1	1042	5347	Pl
399	2N	15	6	J.P. Getty	Foothill Orchards 1	1050	3559	Pl
400	2N	15	9	UNOCAL	San Fernando 1-9	1020	8925	C
401	2N	15	10	Occidental Pet. Corp.				
					Pacoima E.H. 1	999	9291	Mm
402	2N	15	11	Chevron USA, Inc.				
				Century Props.	1	1050	8055	M
403	2N	15	11	Chevron USA, Inc.	Pacoima 1	1010	9995	Ku
404	2N	15	15	Chevron USA, Inc.	Pacoima 8	955	11294	M?
405	2N	15	15	Chevron USA, Inc.	University 1	945	5938	M
406	2N	15	16	Chevron USA, Inc.	Burnet C.H. 1	927	10227	Ku
407	2N	15	18	Chevron USA, Inc.	Coffman 1	932	6608	Mu

¹ Data from Yerkes and Showalter, 1990.

² BC, basement complex; C, confidential; E, Eocene; Gr, granite; Gn, gneiss; K, Cretaceous; M, Miocene; Pl, Pliocene; Q, Quaternary; QT, Pliocene or Pleistocene; m, middle;; u, upper.

Table 2 - DATA ON FOSSIL LOCALITIES, SAN FERNANDO QUADRANGLE

<u>MAP NO</u> ¹	<u>TN</u>	<u>RW</u>	<u>Sec</u>	<u>COLL- ECTOR</u>	<u>AGE</u>	<u>MAP UNIT</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>
FR3	3	14	31	BFH	P	Tp	Oak.
FR4	3	15	21	CDMG	P	Tw	do.
FR5	3	15	21	do.	P	Tw	do.
FR6	3	15	20	do.	P	Tw	do.
FR7	3	15	19	do.	P/Mu	Tw	do.
FR8	3	15	17	USGS	P	Tw	Eng.
FR9	3	15	17	G & G	P	Tw	Oak.
FR10	3	15	8	do.	P	Tw	do.
FM11	3	15	2	UCLA	Mu	Tm	do.
FR11A	3	15	8	G & G	P	Tw	do.
FR12	3	15	8	do.	P	Tw	do.
FR13	3	15	8	do.	P	Tw	do.
FR14	3	15	8	do.	P	Tw	do.
FR15	3	15	18	UCLA	P	Tw	do.
FR16	3	15	18	do.	P	Tw	do.
FR17	3	15	7	do.	P	Tw	do.
FP1	3	15	7	G & G	P	Tp	do.
FP2	2	15	5	CDMG	P	Tp	do.
fm4	2	15	12	CDMG	Mu?	Tm	do.
fm5	2	15	5	CDMG	Mu	Tm	do.
fm7	3	15	2	UCLA	Mu	Tm	do.

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- ¹ F, macrofossil collection; f, microfossil collection; number same as collector's number.
- ² BFH, B. F. Howell, 1949; CDMG, Calif. Div. Mines and Geology; G & G, Grant and Gale, 1931; UCLA, Univ. Calif. Los Angeles; USGS, U. S. Geol. Survey.
- ³ M, Miocene; P, Pliocene; u, upper.
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