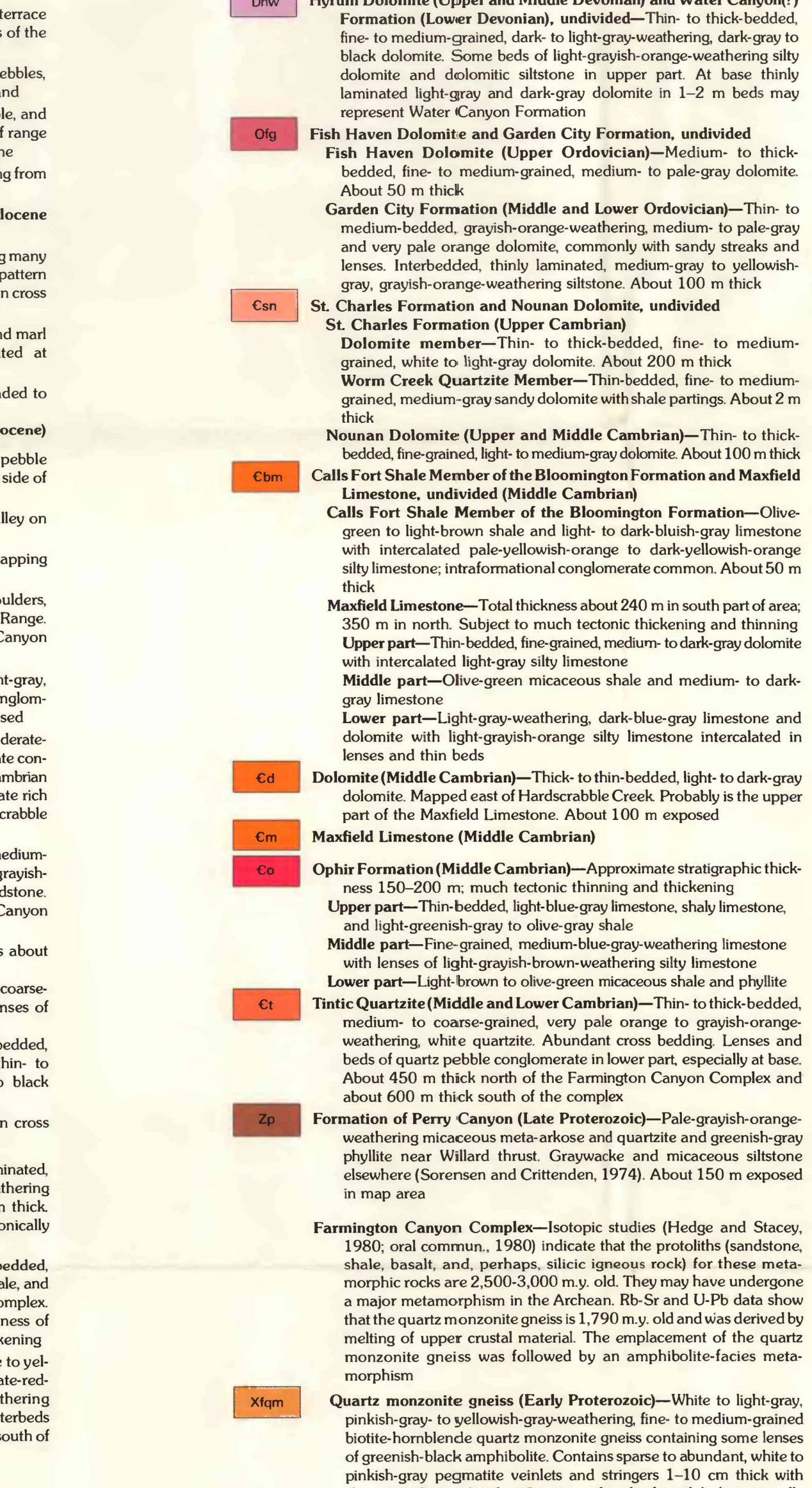


**DESCRIPTION OF MAP UNITS**

- Qal** Alluvium (Holocene)—Gravel, sand, and silt. Qal, Qal, Qal, are terrace deposits along Weber River where the river has incised rocks of the Lake Bonneville Group.
- Qc** Talus and colluvium (Holocene and Pleistocene)—Angular pebbles, cobbles, and boulders with or without a matrix of silt and sand.
- Qf** Debris fan deposits (Holocene and Pleistocene)—Boulder, cobble, and pebble gravel, sand, and silt. Many deposits along east side of range probably formed by outwash from glaciers in Pleistocene time.
- Qg** Landslide deposits (Holocene and Pleistocene)—Massal ranging from boulders to silt in earthflows and debris slides.
- Qbe** Alluvium, debris fan deposits, and Lake Bonneville Group (Holocene and Pleistocene)—Marsal undivided in Weber Canyon.
- Qm** Till and outwash deposits (Pleistocene)—Silt and sand containing many angular to rounded pebbles, cobbles, and boulders. Stippled pattern indicates prominent moraine ridges. Includes some alluvium in cross section E-E'.
- Qb** Lake Bonneville Group (Pleistocene)—Gravel, sand, silt, clay, and marl deposited in Lake Bonneville. Coarse gravel concentrated at shoreline along west edge of Wasatch Mountains.
- Qsg** Gravel (Pleistocene)—Gravel, sand, and silt forming terrace graded to Provo level of Lake Bonneville in Morgan Valley.
- Qth** Fan deposits graded to high stand of Lake Bonneville (Pleistocene).
- Qof** Old debris fan deposit (Pleistocene)—Boulder, cobble, and pebble gravel, sand, silt, and clay in highly dissected deposit on north side of lower Mill Creek.
- Qtd** Quaternary and Tertiary deposits—Shown only in Salt Lake valley on cross sections.
- Qtp** Pediment gravel (Pleistocene or Pliocene)—Boulder gravel capping surface south of Weber River east of Wasatch Mountains.
- Qp** Gravel (Pliocene or Miocene)—Angular pebbles, cobbles, and boulders, sand, and silt. Rocks derived from nearby parts of Wasatch Range. About 400 m exposed in area southwest of the Farmington Canyon Complex.
- Tn** Norwood Tuff (lower Oligocene and upper Eocene)—White, light-gray, and pale-green tuff, altered tuff, tuffaceous sandstone, and conglomerate, and gray to reddish-brown clay. About 1,300 m exposed.
- Tw** Wasatch Formation (Eocene and Paleocene)—Grayish-red to moderate sandstone, siltstone, conglomerate, and clay. Conglomerate contains boulders as much as 1 m in diameter mostly composed of Cambrian Tritic Quartzite and Precambrian quartzite. Gray conglomerate rich in limestone fragments in upper Cataract Canyon west of Hardscrabble Creek. 400 to 1,200 m thick; thickness to south.
- Mh** Humburg Formation (Upper Mississippian)—Dark to light-gray, medium-bedded dolomite with beds of medium- to fine-grained, grayish-orange-weathering, light-gray sandstone and dolomite sandstone. About 240 m exposed in map area north of Farmington Canyon Complex.
- Mog** Desert and Gardison Limestones, undivided—Total thickness about 200 m.
- Desert Limestone (Upper and Lower Mississippian)**—Fine to coarse-grained, dark to light-gray dolomite and limestone with lenses of chert.
- Gardison Limestone (Lower Mississippian)**—Upper part thick-bedded, medium-gray dolomite with lenses of chert. Lower part thin- to medium-bedded, light bluish-gray-weathering, dark-gray to black fossiliferous limestone.
- MD** Mississippian and Devonian rocks, undivided—Shown only in cross section E-E'.
- Db** Beidribeau Sandstone (Upper Devonian)—Medium-bedded to laminated, fine to medium-grained, grayish-orange to brown-weathering sandstone, dolomite sandstone, and dolomite. About 75 m thick. Mapped north of the Farmington Canyon Complex. Tectonically thickened south of Sardine Canyon.
- Dp** Pinyon Peak Limestone (Upper Devonian)—Fine-grained, thin-bedded, yellowish-gray and pinkish-gray-weathering limestone, silt shale, and silt limestone. Mapped south of the Farmington Canyon Complex. About 105 m thick on Sarsone Mountains. Apparent thickness of 200 m on Hardscrabble Creek may be due to tectonic thickening.
- Ds** Stansbury Formation (Upper Devonian)—Thin-bedded, white to yellowish-gray sandstone with a few grayish-orange to moderate-red-weathering beds of silt sandstone, yellowish-gray-weathering siltstone and silt dolomite. At bottom, gray dolomite with interbeds of silt dolomite and sandstone. About 105 m thick. Mapped south of the Farmington Canyon Complex.
- Dhw** Hyrum Dolomite (Upper and Middle Devonian) and Water Canyon? Formation (Lower Devonian), undivided—Thin- to thick-bedded, fine- to medium-grained, dark to light-gray-weathering, dark-gray to black dolomite. Some beds of light-grayish-orange-weathering silt dolomite and dolomite siltstone in upper part. At base thinly laminated light-gray and dark-gray dolomite in 1-2 m beds may represent Water Canyon Formation.
- Olg** Fish Haven Dolomite and Garden City Formation, undivided.
- Fish Haven Dolomite (Upper Ordovician)**—Medium- to thick-bedded, fine- to medium-grained, medium- to pale-gray dolomite. About 50 m thick.
- Garden City Formation (Middle and Lower Ordovician)**—Thin- to medium-bedded, grayish-orange-weathering, medium- to pale-gray and very pale orange dolomite, commonly with sandy streaks and lenses. Interbedded, thinly laminated, medium-gray to yellowish-gray, grayish-orange-weathering siltstone. About 100 m thick.
- Scn** St. Charles Formation and Nonan Dolomite, undivided.
- St. Charles Formation (Upper Cambrian)**—Dolomite member—Thin- to thick-bedded, fine- to medium-grained, white to light-gray dolomite. About 200 m thick.
- Worm Creek Quartzite Member (Upper Cambrian)**—Thin- to medium-grained, medium-gray sandy dolomite with shale partings. About 2 m thick.
- Nolan Dolomite (Upper and Middle Cambrian)**—Thin- to thick-bedded, fine-grained, light- to medium-gray dolomite. About 100 m thick.
- Calla Fort Shale Member of the Bloomington Formation and Maxfield Limestone, undivided (Middle Cambrian)**—Olive-green to light-brown shale and light- to dark-bluish-gray limestone with intercalated pale-yellowish-orange to dark-yellowish-orange silt limestone, interstratified conglomerate common. About 50 m thick.
- Maxfield Limestone**—Total thickness about 240 m in south part of area; 350 m in north. Subject to much tectonic thickening and thinning.
- Upper part**—Thin-bedded, fine-grained, medium- to dark-gray dolomite with intercalated light-gray silt limestone.
- Middle part**—Olive-green micaceous shale and medium- to dark-gray limestone.
- Lower part**—Light-gray-weathering, dark-blue-gray limestone and dolomite with light-gray-orange silt limestone intercalated in lenses and thin beds.
- Dolomite (Middle Cambrian)**—Thick- to thin-bedded, light- to dark-gray dolomite. Mapped east of Hardscrabble Creek. Probably is the upper part of the Maxfield Limestone. About 100 m exposed.
- Maxfield Limestone (Middle Cambrian)**—Approximate stratigraphic thickness 150-200 m; much tectonic thinning and thickening.
- Upper part**—Thin-bedded, light-blue-gray limestone, shaly limestone, and light-greenish-gray to olive-gray shale.
- Middle part**—Fine-grained, medium-blue-gray-weathering limestone with lenses of light-grayish-brown-weathering silt limestone.
- Lower part**—Light-brown to olive-green micaceous shale and phyllite.
- Tritic Quartzite (Middle and Lower Cambrian)**—Thin- to thick-bedded, medium- to coarse-grained, very pale orange to grayish-orange-weathering, white quartzite. Abundant cross bedding. Lenses and beds of quartz pebble conglomerate in lower part, especially at base. About 450 m thick north of the Farmington Canyon Complex and about 600 m thick south of the complex.
- Formation of Perry Canyon (Late Proterozoic)**—Pale-grayish-orange-weathering micaceous meta-arkose and quartzite and greenish-gray phyllite near Willard thrust. Arkose and micaceous siltstone elsewhere (Sorenson and Crittenden, 1974). About 150 m exposed in map area.
- Farmington Canyon Complex**—Isotopic studies (Hedge and Stacy, 1980; oral communication, 1980) indicate that the protolith (sandstone, shale, basalt, and pothole siltic igneous rock) for these metamorphic rocks are 2,500-3,000 m.y. old. They may have undergone a major metamorphism in the Archean. Rb-Sr and U-Pb data show that the quartz monzonite gneiss is 1,790 m.y. old and was derived by melting of upper crustal material. The emplacement of the quartz monzonite gneiss was followed by an amphibolite-facies metamorphism.
- Quartz monzonite gneiss (Early Proterozoic)**—White to light-gray, pinkish-gray to yellowish-gray-weathering, fine- to medium-grained biotite-hornblende quartz monzonite gneiss containing some lenses of greenish-black amphibolite. Contains sparse to abundant, white to pinkish-gray pegmatite veins and stringers 1-10 cm thick with sharp to indistinct borders. Lenses and pods of amphibolite generally are 0.5 m to a few meters thick and a few to tens of meters long.
- Pegmatite (Early Proterozoic and Archean)**—White, very light gray to very pale orange plagioclase-quartz-microcline and quartz-microcline pegmatite locally containing muscovite or biotite inclusions as much as several centimeters in diameter. Only a few of the largest bodies mapped.
- Migmatite (Archean)**—Interlayered and intergradational, white to light-gray biotite-hornblende quartz monzonite gneiss, gray biotite-garnet-hellipar-quartz schist and gneiss, white garnet-quartz-feldspar gneiss, greenish-black amphibolite, medium-gray garnet-biotite schist, and sillimanite-garnet-biotite schist. Lenses and layers of white to pinkish-gray pegmatite 1-10 cm thick, some with indistinct and some with sharp borders, abundant, and commonly discordant, larger, more sharply bounded, pegmatites 1-10 m thick. Contacts with Xlgn and Als gradational.
- Mica schist (Archean)**—Medium-gray muscovite-biotite-plagioclase-quartz schist with mica as much as 5 m in diameter. Contains some amphibolite. Mapped in lower Waterfall Canyon and Strong Canyon in northwest part of map area.
- Schist and gneiss (Archean)**—Light- to medium-gray biotite-feldspar-quartz gneiss, garnet-biotite-hellipar-quartz gneiss, sillimanite-biotite schist, sillimanite-garnet-biotite schist and gneiss, hornblende-biotite schist, and less abundant layers of feldspathic quartzite and white, coarse-grained quartzite. Lenses and layers of amphibolite. Pegmatite dikes and sills, some with indistinct and others with sharp borders, pegmatites with sharp contacts cut those with indistinct contacts and tend to be discordant. Sharply bounded discordant pegmatites more abundant in this unit than in Afm to north and are generally 10-30 m long, but a few are as much as several hundred meters long.
- Quartzite, gneiss, and schist (Archean)**—Light- to medium-gray biotite-feldspar-quartz schist, sillimanite-biotite schist, sillimanite-garnet-biotite schist and gneiss, and layers of coarse-grained quartzite as much as 10 m thick. Quartzite dominates much of the unit and is white to pale yellowish-green, and has a grain size of 4-5 mm, contains some light-green muscovite and has a few heavy-mineral partings. Amphibolite in lenses and layers. Contact with Als gradational.
- Amphibolite (Archean)**—Greenish-black, generally nonlayered hornblende-plagioclase amphibolite, only a few of the largest bodies mapped. Occurs as lenses 5-10 m thick throughout Farmington Canyon Complex. Some rocks contain monoclinc pyroxene, especially in northern part of area, and some contain quartz. Some rocks have aggregates of plagioclase suggesting relict porphyritic textures.
- Quartzite (Archean)**—Light-greenish-gray to light-gray, grayish-red and dark gray quartzite, hornblende quartzite, sericite quartzite, and chlorite-epidote sericite quartzite. Occurs as inclusions in quartz monzonite gneiss.

**CORRELATION OF MAP UNITS**

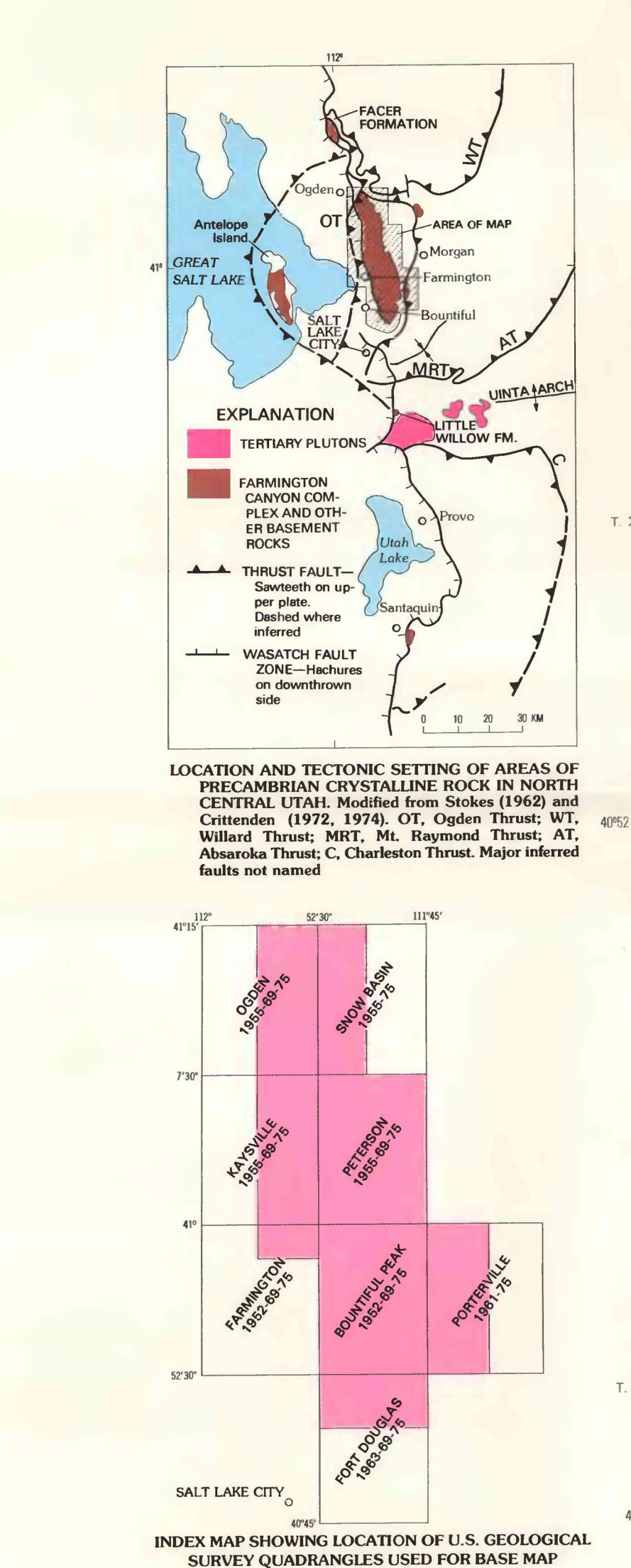


- Thrust fault**—Dashed where concealed. Bar and ball on downthrown side.
- Strike and dip of beds**—Vertical, Inclined, Horizontal.
- Strike and dip of foliation**—Vertical, Inclined, Horizontal.
- Strike and dip of foliation and compositional layering**—Vertical, Inclined, Horizontal.
- Strike and dip of cataclastic foliation and foliation in retrogressively metamorphosed rock**—Vertical, Inclined, Horizontal.
- Bearing and plunge of mineral lineation**—May be combined with foliation symbols.
- Horizontal**—Horizontal.
- Occurrence of metamorphic index minerals and mineral assemblages**—Fragmentary evidence indicates lowest grade in southern part of area.
- Megascopically determined**—Sillimanite, Sillimanite and muscovite, Sillimanite and microcline, Sillimanite, microcline, and muscovite, Relict hypsopyrene.
- Microscopically determined**—Sillimanite, Sillimanite and muscovite, Sillimanite and microcline, Sillimanite, microcline, and muscovite, Relict hypsopyrene.
- Area of sheared and retrogressively metamorphosed rock**—Much of the rock is sheared to phyllonitic, mylonitic gneiss, mylonite, and schistified blastomylonite and is retrogressively metamorphosed. Chlorite, epidote, and albite are characteristic relict minerals. Boundaries of areas of sheared rock are indistinct and indicated by dotted lines; small areas and thin elongate zones of sheared and retrogressively metamorphosed rocks occur outside mapped areas, some lenses of rock inside these areas have escaped shearing and retrogressive metamorphism.

Geology mapped, 1977-78, by Peter R. Moore, 2007. Geology in part of the Ogden River Canyon from Sorenson and Crittenden (1972), position of fracture faults along the Wasatch mountains from Cliff and others (1970), vertical profile in Salt Lake Valley modified from Miller (1981), area centers north of base 1000' from Van Hook (1965) and from Van Hook (1965) in lower Taylor Canyon from Burt and Beck (1965).



**RECONNAISSANCE GEOLOGIC MAP OF THE PRECAMBRIAN FARMINGTON CANYON COMPLEX AND SURROUNDING ROCKS IN THE WASATCH MOUNTAINS BETWEEN OGDEN AND BOUNTIFUL, UTAH**



**INDEX MAP SHOWING LOCATION OF U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY QUADRANGLES USED FOR BASE MAP**