



**Figure 21.** Map showing the location of bentonite occurrences in the Bearpaw Shale in the North-Central Montana Sagebrush Focal Area. *A*, Patented and placer claims located for bentonite resources in the Malta and Glasgow areas, Montana. Most of the bentonite exploration and development activity in the North-Central Montana Sagebrush Focal Area has been concentrated in these two regions. Claim data compiled from records provided by Nathaniel Arave, Bureau of Land Management, Billings, Montana. *B*, Outcrop distribution of the Siparyann bentonite bed in the western part of the Charles M. Russell National Wildlife Refuge. Modified from Miller and others (1979). USGS, U.S. Geological Survey.