



XX. GEOLOGY OF THE RELAY MOUNTAIN AREA NTS E92O/3 AND W92O/2

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LEGEND

STRATIFIED ROCKS

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	PLEISTOCENE AND HOLOCENE		Geologic contact contact (defined, approximed, approxim
Qal	Alluvium; undifferentiated		
	MIOCENE AND/OR PLIOCENE		Unconformity mity (defined, approximed, approximed)
8	Basaltic lava, flows, columnar jointing		Faulted unconformity anconformity and (defined, approximed, approximed)
	UPPER CRETACEOUS (Cenomanian and (?) younger)		Bedding trace trace t
<u></u>	BATTLEMENT RIDGE GROUP Powell Creek formation		Bedding attitude, topsattitude, tops
7b	Volcanic breccia and lapilli tuff with interbedded tuff, flows, and epiclastic sediments; intermediate to basaltic (1550m thick)(gradational (?) with Silverquick formation)		(horizontal, inclin zontal, incline Bedding attitude, topsattitude, tops
7a	Silverquick formation (Albian/Cenomanian?) Pebble to cobble conglomerate with minor sandstone and red/maroon siltstone, generally poorly stratified, commonly cross bedded, (nonmarine); East of Relay Mountain		(horizontal, inclinizontal, inclina
	conglomerate, poorly sorted, graded, matrix- and clast-supported, interbedded with arkose and mudstone (probably marine); clasts in all areas dominated by chert, volcanics, sedimentary rocks, and minor plutonics and metamorphic rocks; volcanic clasts dominate near the top of the section (1500m thick)(sharp basal contact)		Foliation attitude attitude (inclined, vertical) ned, vertical)
	LOWER CRETACEOUS (Albian)		Dike attitude, <10m vude, <10m v (inclined, vertical)ned, vertical)
	TAYLOR CREEK GROUP		Anticline, Syncline; up Syncline; up (defined, approximed, approxim
6 d	Elbow Pass formation (Unzoned; Albian?) Green-grey sandstone and volcanic-clast conglomerate, typically graded, local channels, interbedded with shale; exclusively volcanic-derived sediments; stratigraphic position unknown - may interfinger with the Lizard formation (900+m)		Anticline, Syncline; ov Syncline; ov (defined, approximed, approxim
6c	thick)(fault-bounded) Lizard formation (M. to U.(?) Albian)		Antiformal syncline; Sıl syncline; Sı
	Shale and minor sandstone, well-bedded, thin bedded, graded, brown weathering, quartzofeldspathic, rich in muscovite; rare volcanic conglomerate (500m thick)(sharp conformable contact with Dash conglomerate)		Small anticline; small icline; small: (axial plunge - und plunge - und
6b	Dash conglomerate (L. to M. Albian) Chert-pebble conglomerate (cg), distinctive orange-weathering ribs, well sorted, commonly cross bedded, clasts dominantly chert and felsic volcanics; interbedded with chert-rich sandstone and siltstone, bioturbated and fossiliferous; minor tuff (900+m thick) (gradational lower contact with Paradise Creek formation)		Vergence of series of nof series of no (arrow indicates ap
6a	Paradise Creek formation (L. Albian) Dominantly shale and green-grey sandstone turbidites, thin bedded; local conglomerate (cg), thick bedded, graded and inverse graded, mainly clast-supported, clasts dominantly		High-angle fault e fault (defined, approximed, approxim
	volcanic with minor plutonic and sedimentary (950+m thick)(basal concretionary shales may be conformable with Relay Mountain Group unit 5)		Thrust fault ult (defined, approximed, approxim
	MIDDLE JURASSIC TO LOWER CRETACEOUS (Callovian to Barremian) RELAY MOUNTAIN GROUP		(teeth in direction 1 in direction 1
5	(Hauterivian to Barremian) Dark grey shale to siltstone, less common sandstone and tuffaceous sandstone, medium to		Normal fault ult (defined, approximed, approximes) (solid circle on dov circle on dov
	thick bedded, (more sandstone to SW), locally calcareous concretions in shale, belemnites and Inoceramus pelecypods (1000 to 1500m thick)(gradational with unit 4e) (M. to U. Valanginian)		Strike-slip fault fault (defined, approximed, approximed)
4 e	Brown to grey sandstone and siltstone, medium bedded but poorly defined, belemnites and large forms of <u>Buchia</u> pelecypods common (100 to 200m thick)(gradational with unit 4d)		(arrows indicate revs indicate rev
4 d	(U. Berriasian to M. Valanginian) <u>Buchia</u> 'coquina', (siltstone to sandstone replete with <u>Buchia</u> pelecypods), in west coquina interbedded with grey to brown sandstone, in east all coquina, (30 to 50m thick) (gradational with unit 4c)		Fault intruded by a dilded by a dil Fossil locality lity (Taylor Creek Gror Creek Gro
4c	(M. Tithonian to U. Berriasian) (East) grey siltstone to shaly siltstone and minor sandstone, bedding poorly defined, Buchia locally common in concretionary beds; (West) brown sandstone and minor siltstone, medium to thick bedded, uncommon conglomerate to 1m, clasts mainly volcanics and plutonics, locally common belemnites and Buchia pelecypods (200 to 300m thick) (gradational with unit 4b)		(Relay Mountain G Mountain G (Lower to Middle J:r to Middle J: (Tyaughton Group ghton Group §
4b	(Kimmeridgian (?) to M. Tithonian) Brown sandstone, medium to thick bedded, bedding poorly defined, uncommon cross bedding, minor conglomeratic sandstone, clasts volcanic and plutonic, locally common belemnites and Buchia pelecypods (400 to 500m thick)(gradational with unit 4a)	1	
4a	(U. Oxfordian to Kimmeridgian) Brown to grey sandstone, siltstone, thin to medium bedded, uncommon concretionary	1000	0 0
	bedding, uncommon cross bedding, rare conglomerate with volcanic and plutonic clast, locally scattered belemnites and <u>Buchia</u> pelecypods (200 to 300m thick)(gradational with unit 3a)		
	Undivided U. Oxfordian to Berriasian clastic rocks (units 4a, 4b, 4c)(Buchia in these three units are not easy to identify, but are distinct as a group from younger forms)		SCALE SCALE
3a	(Callovian to L. Oxfordian) Dark brown to black shale and siltstone, locally abundant 1-3cm, Fe-rich, siliceous concretions		
3	Dark grey shale, siliceous, interbedded with brown to green sandstone to siltstone, v. thin bedded, graded, ripple lamination; also interbedded with tan calcareous sandstone to siltstone, thin to medium bedded, cross and parallel laminated, some beds graded; minor conglomerate, medium to thick bedded, graded, channels, clasts mainly intermediate to felsic volcanics; uncommon pelecypods, belemnites, and ammonites in an uncommon, mudchip bearing sandstone facies (at least 200m thick)(unit unconformable-angular(?)-above unit 2b)		0° 12' 0° 12' or 4 Mils 4 Mils
	LOWER TO MIDDLE JURASSIC (Hettangian to L. Bajocian)		Use diagram cm/y Use diagram cm/y APPROXIMATE M APPROXIMATE M
2b	(Pliensbachian to L. Bajocian) Dark grey to black shale, calcareous, tan calcareous concretions to 2m, minor brown to grey sandstone, locally common white to yellow ash(?) beds, ammonites (less than 200m thick)(gradational with unit 2a)	123°3(51°15'	
2a	(U. Hettangian to Sinemurian) Brown sandstone, siltstone, and conglomerate, calcareous, uncommon cross bedding, common ammonites and pelecypods (200 to 300m thick)(disconformably above unit 1d)	Į	Szero 87
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Green sandstone, thin to medium bedded, low-angle cross bedding, fine-pebble conglomerate stringers or thin beds, clasts all intermediate to felsic volcanics, small pelecypods, Choristoceras ammonite (0 to 75m thick)(gradational with unit 1c)

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(Middle Upper Norian) Limestone conglomerate, limestone clasts tied to unit 1b below, grades from clast-supported to matrix-supported (matrix angular coarse to grit quartz sandstone, locally red to yellow, cross bedded) (0 to 25m thick)(disconformably above unit 1b); green cross-bedded sandstone, thin to medium bedded, interbedded with brown conglomerate, clasts mainly volcanics and limestone, marine fossils only at transition to above unit (70 to 100m thick)(gradational between ls. Cong. and Cassianella beds, unless Ls. cong. missing, then disconformably above unit 1b); Cassianella beds, brown sandstone to siltstone, interbedded with ribs (10's cm) of fossiliferous calcareous sandstone, laminated, Cassianella, Myophoria, and other pelecypods, Rhabdoceras ammonite (90 to 120m thick)(gradational with green cross-bedded sandstone)

Grey limestone, thick to medium bedded (planar to wavy), Neomegalodont pelecypods, corals, bryozoa, locally common black chert concretions (25 to 50m thick) (disconformably overlies unit 1a); Monotis limestone, tan to grey, thin bedded, Monotis pelecypods (0 to 15m thick)(gradational with grey limestone)

Red beds, conglomerate and conglomeratic sandstone, massive to thick bedded, clasts mainly intermediate to felsic volcanics and limestones, +/- plutonics, interbedded with

INTRUSIVE ROCKS

yield Early Norian conodonts (>200m thick) (base of unit not exposed)

red to brown sandstone, thin to medium bedded, cross bedded, graded, limestone clasts

UPPER CRETACEOUS TO EOCENE

Hornblende plagioclase porphyries; hornblende plagioclase biotite porphyries with accessory quartz (stocks and dikes)