

OCURRENCES OF ORE MINERALS

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| 1 | Sec. 2, T. 14 N., R. 6 E. | Copper-stained quartz veins with minor chalcophyite and pyrite in large altered area |
| 2 | Sec. 27, T. 15 N., R. 6 E. | Narrow copper flat |
| 3 | Sec. 28, T. 15 N., R. 6 E. | Flint from chalcophyite |
| 4 | Sec. 13, T. 15 N., R. 5 E. | Lens of massive pyrrhotite with minor chalcophyite, approximately 30 m long and 5 m thick, in Nikolai Greenstone |
| 5 | Sec. 10, T. 14 N., R. 5 E. | Placer gold deposit, very minor production |

Fossil Collections

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| 15 | 72-ARB-9 | Sec. 27, T. 15 N., R. 5 E. | Cephalopods <i>Reticularia?</i> <i>Artinskia?</i> | MacKenzie Gordon, Jr. |
| 16 | 72-ARB-10 | Sec. 27, T. 15 N., R. 5 E. | Cephalopods <i>Artinskia?</i> <i>Nidolites</i> <i>Ramosis bryozoans</i> | MacKenzie Gordon, Jr. and J. T. Dutton, Jr. |
| 17 | 72-ARB-11 | Sec. 24, T. 15 N., R. 4 E. | Brachiopods <i>Reticularia?</i> <i>Neospirifer</i> <i>Productoid</i> , indet. | J. T. Dutton, Jr. |
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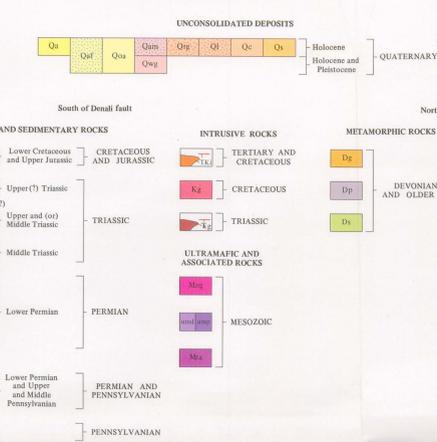
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GEOLOGIC MAP OF PARTS OF THE MOUNT HAYES A-1 AND A-2 QUADRANGLES, ALASKA

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CORRELATION OF MAP UNITS



DESCRIPTION OF MAP UNITS

- UNCONSOLIDATED DEPOSITS**
 - Qa** ALLUVIUM - On active flood plains and lowest terraces of major streams, and large alluvial fans. Chiefly boulders, gravel, and sand.
 - Qaf** ALLUVIAL FANS AND CONES - Chiefly gravel and sand. Only large well-defined cones are differentiated from colluvium (Qc).
 - Qoa** ALLUVIUM IN HIGH TERRACES - Along major streams. Oldest deposits may represent outwash from a late advance of the Wisconsin Glaciation. Chiefly boulders, gravel, and sand.
 - Qum** DRIFT OF THE ALASKAN GLACIATION - End and lateral moraines left after recession of existing glaciers. Chiefly rubble and diamicton.
 - Qrg** ROCK GLACIER DEPOSITS - Includes active and recently active rock glaciers, tongue shaped in form. Chiefly rubble and diamicton.
 - Ql** LANDSLIDE DEPOSITS - Principally young landslides as evidenced by freshness of form. Chiefly debris avalanches.
 - Qc** UNDIVIDED COLLUVIUM AND OTHER DEPOSITS - On valley walls and hill slopes. Principally talus and other slope debris but includes alluvium of numerous minor streams and locally glacial, rock glacier, and mass-wasting deposits. Unit includes some softening and creep material on high-level, low-gradient slopes that is composed chiefly of bedrock rubble but may include drift from pre-Wisconsinan glaciations. Chiefly rubble, gravel, sand, silt, and diamicton; generally poorly sorted.
 - Qs** SPRING DEPOSITS - Small mounds of calcareous tufa cemented talus along trace of Denali fault that mark sites of former carbonate-rich springs.
 - Qwg** DRIFT OF WISCONSIN GLACIATION - Includes end, lateral, and ground moraine and locally tillological deposits of both main and late stages of Wisconsin Glaciation. Locally includes near post-glacial pond and stream deposits in the extensive ground moraine near Mankomen Lake. At higher elevations, deposits merge with and are covered by colluvium (Qc). Chiefly diamicton with minor sand and gravel.
- VOLCANIC AND SEDIMENTARY ROCKS**
 - Kfs** MARINE SEDIMENTARY ROCKS - Principally deep marine turbidite deposits consisting of graded beds of dark-gray to gray argillite, siltstone, and graywacke that locally alternate with beds of massive graywacke, pebbly graywacke, pebbly to cobble conglomerate, and argillite. Graded beds are well developed locally and consist of rhythmically alternating units that range from 1 cm to more than 30 cm in thickness. Massive graywacke and conglomerate beds are as much as 20 m thick; clasts are rounded and derived from the terranes both north and south of the Denali fault. Locally the rocks are isoclinally folded and exhibit a strong slaty cleavage. Nonfossiliferous, but similar, strata in the Nabesna quadrangle contain locally abundant *Buchia* assemblages ranging in age from Late Jurassic to Early Cretaceous (Richter and Jones, 1973). Thickness probably greater than 1,000 m; top not exposed.
 - TL** LIMESTONE - Gray to dark-gray, fine-grained, medium- to massive-bedded 10 cm-2 m limestone with lenses and nodules of gray and black chert and irregular patchworks of disseminated fine-grained quartz. Weathers light gray. Chiefly micrite, dismicrite, or micropelite, locally recrystallized and commonly brecciated and veined by coarsely crystalline calcite. Base of unit generally contains clasts of Nikolai Greenstone (Ta); in sec. 11, T. 15 N., R. 5 E., unit includes a megabreccia of carbonate-cemented blocks of Nikolai Greenstone (Ta) and limestone. Limestone shown on geologic map entirely enclosed in Nikolai Greenstone has probably been tectonically emplaced, but field data are insufficient to determine nature of emplacement. Typically unfossiliferous but contains sparse brachiopods, pelecypods, gastropods, corals, and spongiomorphs of Late(?) Triassic age. Thickness 20 to 150 m.
 - TK** NIKOLAI GREENSTONE (Rohr, 1900) (Middle and (or) Upper Triassic) - Dark-gray-green, dark-gray-brown, reddish-brown, and maroon-gray subvolcanic amygdaloidal basalt flows separated locally by thin beds of reddish-brown nonigneous volcaniclastic rocks. Base generally marked by discontinuous conglomerate-breccia containing fragments of basalt and underlying sedimentary rocks. Predominantly internixed and as pahoehoe flows with individual flow units ranging from a few centimeters to more than 15 m thick. Rocks generally porphyritic containing phenocrysts of saussuritized plagioclase, subvolcanic clinopyroxene, and relict olivine in an intergranular assemblage of feldspar and pyroxene that has been largely altered to chlorite, epidote, and serpentine. Angiophytes consist of quartz, potassium feldspar, calcite, chlorite, epidote, pumpellyite, prehnite, and zirconite minerals. A highly sheared and locally foliated amphibolite bordering the south side of a granodiorite pluton in sec. 25, T. 16 N., R. 4 E., and sec. 31, T. 15 N., R. 5 E., is questionably assigned to the Nikolai Greenstone (Ta?) Thickness of Nikolai is about 1,500 m.

SHALE, LIMESTONE, AND CHERT

Interbedded black carbonaceous shale, gray thin-bedded argillite, light-colored chert, and light-gray limestones with minor gray siltstone and conglomerate. Irregular bodies and sills of gabbro (Tg), only a few shown, are locally abundant. Rocks generally nonfossiliferous; limestones contain a few crinoid fragments, and shale and argillite locally contain abundant *Duonella* of Middle Triassic age. Unit extremely discontinuous; and ranges in thickness from 0 to more than 40 m; locally appears gradational with marine sedimentary rocks of underlying upper argillite member of Eagle Creek Formation (Peaa).

INTRUSIVE ROCKS

UNDIFFERENTIATED INTRUSIVE ROCKS - Chiefly a variety of dikes and small irregular masses of gray-green porphyritic rocks and dark-brown fine-grained mafic rocks. Porphyritic rocks contain phenocrysts of augite or hornblende generally with plagioclase in a fine-grained intergranular to trachytic groundmass. Only larger bodies shown on geologic map. Intrusives may be hypabyssal equivalents of Cretaceous granodiorite (Kp).

GRANODIORITE - Small plutons consisting chiefly of granodiorite; include quartz monzonite, syenite, and quartz diorite. Rocks are fresh, medium-grained, subhedral granular, and nonfoliated. Chiefly hornblende bearing but locally contain biotite. Plutons have thermally metamorphosed peripheral country rock to banded hornfels (clastic sedimentary rocks), amphibolite (Nikolai Greenstone), and marble (limestone). Cretaceous age based on K-Ar age dates from similar plutonic rocks in Nabesna quadrangle (Richter and others, 1975).

MISCELLANEOUS INVESTIGATIONS SERIES

GABBRO - Small irregular bodies, dikes, and sills of dark-gray medium- to coarse-grained gabbro. Restricted to Nikolai Greenstone and older rocks; sills numerous in the lower limestone member of the Eagle Creek Formation (Peal) and irregular bodies numerous in the lower argillite member of the Eagle Creek Formation (Peaa) and the Middle Triassic shale, limestone, and chert unit (Ks). Only larger bodies shown on geologic map.

ULTRAMAFIC AND ASSOCIATED ROCKS

This group of rocks is restricted to a terrane representing a crustal-suture belt trending north-south across east-central Alaska. In the map area, the suture belt is as much as 1 km wide and is bounded on the northeast by the Denali fault and on the southwest by a pre-Denali fault system. Chiefly amphibole-rich metamorphic rocks with lenses of diamicton and pyroclastic-peloidite. Sodic plagioclase occurring as large phenocrysts or porphyroblasts, and commonly altered to white mica and clinzoisite, is the dominant constituent. Interstitial minerals are quartz, occurring as fine-grained clots, and minor pyroxene and amphibole, generally altered to chlorite. The rocks form small elongate plutons intruding the amphibole-rich metamorphic rocks of the terrane.

TONALITE AND QUARTZ MONZONITE - Mottled light-gray to light-greenish-gray tonalite and quartz monzonite including high-soda and high-alumina variants of these types. Rocks are fine to medium grained with a porphyritic to porphyroblastic texture. The mineral assemblage is partly metamorphic. Sodic plagioclase occurring as large phenocrysts or porphyroblasts, and commonly altered to white mica and clinzoisite, is the dominant constituent. Interstitial minerals are quartz, occurring as fine-grained clots, and minor pyroxene and amphibole, generally altered to chlorite. The rocks form small elongate plutons intruding the amphibole-rich metamorphic rocks of the terrane.

PYROXENITE AND PERIDOTITE - Forms a crudely layered, elongate body with two distinct phases within the amphibole-rich metamorphic rocks (Ma). Pyroxenite appears to be the dominant, but late phase, occurring both as discrete masses and as thin layers in peridotite and also as veinlike features crosscutting peridotite. The peridotite, with minor dunite, has been largely altered to serpentine. A light-gray-green to dark-greenish-gray gabbroic phase composed of sodic plagioclase and a calcic cummingtonite-like amphibole containing clinopyroxene phenocrysts to 4 cm in diameter forms a discontinuous outer zone to the body. The pyroxenite of both the pyroxenite and peridotite phases appear to be entirely monzonitic with compositions within the diopside-hedenbergite field. The larger pyroxene grains show strong lamellar structure; schlier inclusions are common locally. Remnant olivine in the peridotite ranges between Fo 80 and 85, using Jackson's method (1960). All phases contain larger scattered angular grains of magnetite, mostly along grain boundaries, and disseminated dusty magnetite.

DUNITE - Forms two elongate masses separated from the pyroxenite-peridotite body by amphibole-rich metamorphic rocks (Ma). The dunite is light-gray to greenish-gray, massive, generally fine grained (1-2 mm) and where unaltered, virtually unaltered. Locally the rocks appear to have a cataclastic fabric in which rare olivine grains (O) may be surrounded by finer grained olivine. Many of the olivine grains show planar shattering. Olivine composition ranges from Fo 81 to 87 (Jackson, 1960). The rock is commonly spotted unevenly with grains and crude crystals of chromite that locally are arranged in short layers. Magnetite occurs as scattered angular grains and a fine dust. Cracks throughout the body generally filled with serpentine, talc, and iddingsite.

AMPHIBOLITE AND HORNBLENDE-PLAGIOCLASE GNEISS - Chiefly fine- to medium-grained metamorphic rocks with granoblastic textures ranging from massive dark-green amphibolites to finely banded gneisses consisting chiefly of dark-green amphibole, white calcic plagioclase, and locally quartz. Banded gneisses and amphibolite-foliated rocks extremely variable. Interlayered with the gneisses are rare thin lenses of light-gray and gray epidote-bearing marble and zones of dark-gray graphitic schist. Pegmatoid variants of the amphibolite, some quartz rich, locally abundant. The metamorphic mineral assemblage is: green hornblende, calcic plagioclase, quartz, minor clinopyroxene, sulfides, and black oxides. Foliation generally altered to epidote-chlorite, carbonate cement throughout the rock in granular masses and veins. Rocks form host of ultramafic rocks (unp and unp) and are intruded by tonalite and quartz monzonite bodies (Mq).

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1. Collections 10-24, 32-35, and 47-48 are from measured sections in the Eagle Creek and Slana Spur Formations (Richter and Dutton, 1975).

2. Descriptions of collection 1-6 and 8 and 9 are preliminary but indicate a Late Triassic age. Collection 7 is of Middle Triassic age.