

GEOLOGICAL MAP AND CROSS SECTION
DOWNIE CREEK MAP AREA (82 M/8)
BRITISH COLUMBIA

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STRATIGRAPHIC COLUMN	
QUATERNARY	
PLEISTOCENE AND RECENT (units mapped prior to flooding of Columbia River valley)	
Qs (qm)	Unconsolidated sediments, glacial deposits, colluvium and alluvium; few if any outcrops, probable subcrop unit within parentheses
Qst	River terraces in unconsolidated sediments: glacial deposits, colluvium and alluvium
Qgt	River terraces in unconsolidated coarse glaciofluvial gravel and sand
Qgl	Alluvial fan: coarse gravel and sand
JURASSIC	
MIDDLE JURASSIC	
Jqm	K-feldspar megacryst-bearing quartz monzonite
CAMBRIAN TO JURASSIC	
MIDDLE CAMBRIAN TO MIDDLE JURASSIC	
qm	Quartz monzonite
b	Metagabbro
ub	Ultrabasic intrusion
CAMBRIAN AND ORDOVICIAN	
LOWER CAMBRIAN TO LOWER ORDOVICIAN	
LARDEAU GROUP	
BROADVIEW FORMATION:	
IPbs	Grey and green phyllitic gneiss and phyllite
JOWETT FORMATION:	
IPsv	Green phyllite, limy green phyllite and greenstone
IPdc	White and grey limestone or dolomite
INDEX FORMATION:	
IPdp	Light green siliceous phyllite; minor phyllitic limestone and quartz grit
IPgr	Quartz grit; minor gneiss phyllite
IPiv	Green basic metavolcanic flows, minor green phyllite
IPic	Grey limestone, phyllitic limestone
IPis	Light grey siliceous phyllite
IPsl	Dark grey graphitic phyllite, minor limy phyllite
IPcg	Quartz pebble conglomerate, quartzite and limestone breccia
CAMBRIAN	
LOWER CAMBRIAN	
BADSHOT FORMATION:	
ICsc	Grey and white limestone
PROTEROZOIC AND/OR CAMBRIAN	
UPPER PROTEROZOIC (WINDERMERE) AND/OR LOWER CAMBRIAN	
HAMILL GROUP (ICmp to ICa)	
MOHICAN FORMATION (ICmp, ICmc)	
ICmp	Green and brown calcareous phyllite, minor siliceous phyllite
ICmc	White to light grey limestone
ICq	White, brown and pale green quartzite, commonly crossbedded
ICs	Grey and brown phyllitic quartzite, siliceous phyllite
PROTEROZOIC	
UPPER PROTEROZOIC (WINDERMERE)	
HORSETHIEF CREEK GROUP - UPPER PELITE MEMBER	
IPd	Dark grey pelitic, calcareous pelitic schist
PROTEROZOIC AND/OR CAMBRIAN	
LOWER PROTEROZOIC TO LOWER CAMBRIAN	
MONASHEE COMPLEX - COVER GNEISS	
IPmn	Amphibolite-bearing pegmatitic gneiss and micaceous schist
IPpk	Aluminosilicate-bearing pelitic schist, minor calc-silicate gneiss; rare marble and quartz-feldspar grit
Pq	Quartzite
Pdc	White and grey marble
Pnc	Calc-silicate gneiss; minor pelitic schist, quartzite and marble
Pqcg	Quartzite; minor quartz pebble conglomerate, micaceous quartzite and basal muscovite-quartz schist
PROTEROZOIC	
LOWER PROTEROZOIC	
MONASHEE COMPLEX - BASEMENT GNEISS	
Aqm	Argon-bearing quartz monzonite
An	Biotite-hornblende-quartz-feldspar paragneiss, minor amphibolite

GEOLOGICAL SYMBOLS	
	stratigraphic and intrusive contacts (exposed, inferred, uncertain)
	fossil locality (archaeocyathids in Badshot Formation)
	mineral property
MAJOR STRUCTURES	
	normal fault and/or shear zone (exposed, inferred); peg on hanging wall
	thrust fault and/or shear zone (exposed, inferred); teeth on hanging wall
	fault and/or shear zone (exposed, inferred); sense of displacement unknown
	axial surface trace of second phase antiform
	axial surface trace of third phase synform (terrace northeast of Columbia River fault)
	axial surface trace of third phase antiform (terrace southwest of Columbia River fault, Monashee complex)
MINOR STRUCTURES	
	strike and dip of bedding
	strike and dip of bedding where sedimentary structures indicate beds are right way up
	strike and dip of bedding where sedimentary structures indicate beds are upside down
	strike and dip of first phase axial plane cleavage or foliation; trend and plunge of fold axis, vergence unknown; bars on tail or on accompanying axial plane symbol indicate phase
	strike and dip of second phase axial plane cleavage or foliation; trend and plunge of fold axis, vergence of minor fold to the north (upper member of shear couple displaced northward)
	strike and dip of third phase axial plane cleavage or foliation; trend and plunge of fold axis, vergence of minor fold to the south
	trend and plunge of fold axis, minor fold is symmetrical; bars on tail or on accompanying axial plane symbol indicate phase
	trend and plunge of second phase elongation lineation; bars on tail or on accompanying planar symbol indicate phase

MINERAL PROPERTIES

1	Keystone	Lead-zinc
2	Standard	Copper
3	Roseberry	Gold
4	J and L	Lead-zinc

ABBREVIATIONS AND EXPLANATORY NOTES

CRF	Columbia River fault: normal fault and shear zone active in the Eocene; Pleistocene and Recent deposits unconformably overlie the shear zone; shear zone fabrics dip moderately (between 27° and 30°) to the northeast
SPF	Standard Peak fault: interpreted as a thrust fault that has displaced older units of the Lardeau Group southward onto younger units of the Lardeau Group; age of thrusting is inferred to be Middle Jurassic
DCF	Downie Creek fault: interpreted as a thrust fault that has displaced older units of the Hamill Group southward onto younger units of the Lardeau Group; fault dies out southward as inverted rocks of the Hamill Group lie stratigraphically above inverted Badshot Formation; age of thrusting is inferred to be Middle Jurassic
MCF	Mount Crab fault: interpreted as a thrust fault that has displaced the Proterozoic Horseshoe Creek Group southward onto the Hamill Group; this folded thrust is inferred to be Middle Jurassic
CN	Carnes nappe: the overturned and completely refolded limb of the anticlinal nappe extends southward in the hanging wall of the Standard Peak fault; see Brown and Lane (1988) for further explanation

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