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Mean magnetic declination 1994, 41°32' E, increasing 38.1' annually. Readings vary from 40°37' E in the SE corner to 42°21' E in the NW corner of the map The proximity of the North Magnetic Pole causes the magnetic compass to be erratic in this area

Elevations in feet above mean sea level

OPEN FILE 2920 BEDROCK AND SURFICIAL GEOLOGY

WASHINGTON ISLANDS

DISTRICT OF FRANKLIN

Scale 1:50 000 - Échelle 1/50 000

NORTHWEST TERRITORIES

Transverse Mercator Projection

CM 111°30', Scale Factor 1

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LEGEND

CENOZOIC HOLOCENE

FLUVIAL DEPOSITS: gravel and silty sand; channel, floodplain, delta and

terrace deposits; 1 to 10m thick

RAISED BEACH DEPOSITS: bouldery to silty sand over till, rubbly to silty gravel over rock; single ridges shown by symbol; a few cm to several m thick

GLACIOMARINE DEPOSIITS: silt or fine sand; massive to finely laminated deposits with scattered diropstones; commonly guilled; deposited adjacent to major glacial meltwater outlets; 1 to 20 m thick

GLACIOFLUVIAL DEPOSITS: bouldery to gravelly sand; knolls of hummocky complexes deposited in subglacial or englacial environment; proglacial floodplains, deltas and fans; marine deltas may include massive to

stratified sand or silt beds up to 20 m thick; 1 to 20 m thick Victoria Island till: stony loam; commonly shows lineations on air photos, some fields of spindle drumlins; deposited by continental glacier, possibly

late Wisconsinan maximum; includes till veneer too thin to mask underlying bedrock relief; <1 to 10 m thick

Prince Albert Peninsula till: stony loam, numerous gravel kame deposits; prominent frost-fissure troughs; time of deposition unknown; 1 to 10 m thick

_____ unconformity _____ **PALEOZOIC**

CAMBRIAN-ORDOVICIAN Undifferentiated Cambrian and Ordovician sedimentary rocks including Saline River

Formation: variegated red and green ripple cross-laminated siltstone and very fine sandstone containing numerous burrows (eg. Planolites) desiccation cracks and halite casts (formerly map unit 10a of Thorsteinsson and Tozer, 1962). Gradational upward into wavy-laminated dolosilitie with green siltstone interlayers. Sharp erosional unconformity with Nelson Head Formation (Shaler Supergroup) exposed in creek guilles on northwest side of Glenelg Bay. Gradationally overlain by Cass Fiord and/or Cape Clay Formations: strongly dolomitized and variably silicified massive to faintly stratified vuggy tan dolostone (formerly map unit 10b of Thorsteinsson and Tozer, 1962; cf. Okulitch, 1992)

NEOPROTEROZOIC

723+4/-2 Ma (U-Pb baddeleyite; Heaman et al., 1992)

----- unconformity -----

----- intrusive contact

Franklin Igneous Event-diabase/gabbro sills and dykes: differentiation sequence in sills: olivine-chromite cumulates, plagioclase-olivine cumulates, plagioclase-olivine-clinopyroxene cumulates, plagioclase-clinopyroxene-cumulates, plagioclaseclinopyroxene-pigeonite cumulates, granophyre. Intrusive breccia with locally derived sedimentary rock xenoliths in gabbroic matrix. NFg(u) denotes sills of predominantly ultramatic composition

SHALER SUPERGROUP (Rainbird et al., 1994)

Wynniatt Formation: divisible into three intergradational members, in ascending

stratigraphic order. Nw1: interlaminated dolosiltite and dololutite with desiccation features. An overlying unit contains metre-scale cycles consisting of rhythmicallylaminated dolosiltite overlain by oolitic dolarenite, intraformational breccia and stromatolitic dolostone. Nw2: thin- to thick-laminated black, rusty-weathering mudstone/ siltstone with minor quartzarenite and dolosiltite interbeds at top. Desiccation cracks near top and base. Nw3: coarsening upward sequence of dolomitic siltstone and sandstone. overlain by a stromatolitic biostrome. Fine-grained microbial laminites and carbonaceous limestones occur at the top of the member.

Minto Inlet Formation: five cyclically alternating informal members: lower evaporite (Nmi1), lower carbonate (Nmi2), middle evaporite (Nmi3), upper carbonate (Nmi4) and upper evaporite (Nmi5). Evaporite members: laminated to thin bedded and cross-laminated

white gypsite and grey anhydrite, red gypsiferous siltstone and buff to grey calcisiltite. Chickenwire, nodular anhydrite and crosscutting satinspar veinlets common in gypsiferous siltstone units. Rip-ups and intraclast beds are common. Rare halite molds and desiccation cracks in calcisitite. Carbonate members: grey to buff-grey laminated to thin bedded to massive dolosiltite and fine dolarenite. Hummocky cross-bedding

Jago Bay Formation: interbedded yellow-weathering, cross-bedded quartzarenite, parallellaminated and mudcracked dolosiltite/magnesisiltite and dololutite. Distinctive, yellowweathering stromatolite composed of both laterally-linked and digitate forms with

Fort Collinson Formation: medium-bedded, fine- to medium grained quartzarenite and dolomitic quartzarenite with common herringbone cross-bedding and subordinate sub horizontal planar stratification to low angle cross-bedding. Locally glauconitic

Boot Inlet Formation: cyclically alternating ooid grainstone, stromatolitic dolostone and dolositite rhythmite magnafacies (Morin and Rainbird, 1993). Quartzarenite absent from base of formation (by defiinition) but becomes gradually more abundant toward top. In places includes Ngb at base

Grassy Bay Formation: basal mudstone unit of variable thickness (increasing westward), which coarsens abruptly upward to fine- to medium-grained, planar-tabular cross-bedded quartzarenite. Top defined by sporadic erosional unconformity overlain by fining upward succession of hummocky cross-bedded quartzarenite, parallel-bedded dolosiltite and parallel-laminated dololutite

Rae Group

Aok Formation: cream-coloured and orange-brown-weathering sideritic to ankeritic dolostone composed of upright to fanning digitate columnar (elongate in plan) stromatolites. In some areas comprises two biostromes of similar thickness that are separated by wavy laminated dolosiltite and dololutite. Quartz sand

Nelson Head Formation: base is thinly laminated black carbonaceous and pyritic mudstone (locally developed in paleotopographic lows) grading upward into thick-laminated red siltstone and fine ripple crosslaminated quartzarenite. Middle 2/3 (approx.) is fine- to medium-grained, small- to moderate-scale planar-tabular cross-bedded, white to light pink quartzarenite interbedded with thin (<1m) intercalations of red ripple crosslaminated to parallel-bedded siltstone and very fine quartzarenite. Top is wavy- to lenticular-bedded very fine sandstone and parallel laminated green siltstone and fine quartzarenite overlain by grey ripple cross-laminated calcisitite with black mudstone and intraformational breccia interlayers. Maximum age from detrital zircon: 1077±Ma (U-Pb, unpublished data of R.H. Rainbird and V.J. McNicoll)

SYMBOLS

S91-4 (Rainbird et al. 1994)

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