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SURFICIAL GEOLOGY
MAINO LAKE
BAFFIN ISLAND
NUNAVUT

Scale 1:50 000/Échelle 1/50 000

Universal Transverse Mercator Projection
North American Datum 1983
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Système de référence géodésique nord-américain, 1983
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Digital base map from data compiled by Geomatics Canada, modified by ESS Info

Locational accuracy of the base appears to be ± 100 m based on
plotting of GPS measured field site locations

Proximity to the North Magnetic Pole causes the magnetic compass to be erratic in this area
Mean magnetic declination 2005, 45°25'W, decreasing 41.9' annually

Elevations in metres above mean sea level
Contour interval 20 m

Field altimetry and the placement and trend of raised shorelines
may conflict significantly with the contours

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- LEGEND**
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- SURFICIAL DEPOSITS**
- QUATERNARY**
- HOLOCENE**
- COLLUVIUM:** block and rubble accumulations, 1–50 m thick.
- Ca** Talus: active block and rubble accumulations as much as 50 m thick forming talus (scree) aprons and fans below cliffs resulting from rock falls and debris flows; commonly crossed by debris flow channels and levees.
- Cr** Rock glacier debris: talus, generally 10–50 m thick, deformed by active flow of interstitial or buried ice to form rock (debris) glaciers with transverse ridges and furrows, and pits, and with steep, unstable sides and fronts.
- FLUVIAL SEDIMENTS:** alluvium; gravel and sand, 2–20 m thick.
- Ap** Alluvial plains: active braided floodplains; includes active proglacial outwash.
- At** Alluvial terraces: gravel and sand, 2–20 m thick.
- Al** Alluvial fans: gravel and sand, 2–20 m thick.
- MARINE AND GLACIAL MARINE SEDIMENTS:** gravel, sand, silt, and clay, 1–20 m thick, deposited in deltaic and beach environments during regression of the postglacial sea.
- Mr** Beach sediments: gravel and sand, 1–5 m thick, forming ridges and swales.
- Mt** Deltaic sediments: clay, silt, sand, and gravel, 6–20 m thick, forming coarsening upward sequences under dissected terraces.
- Mv** Deepwater proglacial silt veneers: silt, clay silt, and fine sand with dropstones, 1–2 m thick.
- Mb** Deepwater proglacial silt blankets: silt, clay silt, and fine sand with dropstones and minor gravel, 2–10 m thick.
- GLACIAL LACUSTRINE SEDIMENTS:** clay, silt, sand, and gravel deposited in glacial dammed lakes in deepwater, beach, and deltaic environments.
- Lt** Deltaic sediments: clay, silt, sand, and gravel, 6–20 m thick, forming coarsening upward sequences under dissected terraces.
- Lv** Deepwater proglacial silt veneers: silt, clay silt, and fine sand with dropstones, 1–2 m thick.
- Lb** Deepwater proglacial silt blankets: silt, clay silt, and fine sand with dropstones, 2–5 m thick.
- GLACIOFLUVIAL SEDIMENTS:** gravel and sand, 1–10 m thick, deposited behind, at, and in front of the ice margin.
- Gp,t,f** Proglacial outwash: gravel and sand, 1–10 m thick, forming braided floodplains, Gp; terraces, Gt; and fans, Gf.
- Gr,h** Ice contact stratified drift: gravel and sand, 1–5 m thick, forming eskers, Gr; and kames, Gh.
- EARLY HOLOCENE AND WISCONSINIAN**
- Tm** Till: nonsorted stony muds, 0.5–60 m thick, deposited in subglacial and ice marginal environments; lithic composition generally reflects underlying bedrock.
- Tv** End moraines: 5–60 m high, composed of or mantled by till, extensively kettled in places; large features mainly coring by debris-rich relict glacier ice.
- Tw** Till veneer: 0.5–2 m thick and discontinuous.
- Tvw** Washed till veneer: 0.5–2 m thick, surface armored by stones due to washing by subglacial meltwater.
- Tb** Till blanket: 2–10 m thick forming an undulating blanket with drumlins and ribbed moraines in places.
- Tbr** Ribbed till blanket: 2–10 m thick forming ribbed (Rogen) moraines.
- BEDROCK**
- PRE-QUATERNARY**
- R** ROCK: rock of various compositions and ages (Jackson and Sangster, 1987) variously modified by glacial erosion during the Quaternary and with patchy till cover; hilly and hummocky surfaces, ice moulded in places, with lake basins in topographically accreted regions; smooth surfaces exhibiting little or no sign of glacial erosion in peninsular interiors (Dyke, 1993); cliffs resulting from glacial over-steepening; in places veneered by thin till, commonly bouldery.
- Geological boundary (defined, assumed)
- Areas covered by periglacial icefields during the Little Ice Age (indicated by a white pattern)
- Glacial lake spillway
- Glacial lake limit
- Marine limit
- Marine limit elevation in metres 60
- Weakly developed strandline
- Cliff in bedrock
- Lateral meltwater channel; barbs on upslope side
- Subglacial and proglacial meltwater channel (large, small)
- Esker
- Kame
- Ice contact face
- Ribbed moraine
- Lateral moraine
- End moraine
- Margin of glacial dispersal train; teeth toward axis, steep sides of teeth face down ice
- Lateral sliding boundary; teeth on sliding side, cold-based ice on other side, steep sides of teeth face down ice
- Iceberg scour
- Drumlinoid hill
- Crag-and-tail
- Ice moulded bedrock
- Striae (ice flow direction known, unknown)
- Crossed striae (numbers indicate relative age, 1 being the oldest)
- Field observation site: boundary distinct (bd), boundary gravel (bg), distinct (dl), gravel (gl), gravelly sand (gs), mud (m), muddy sand (ms), rock (r), sand (s), sandy gravel (sg), stony mud (sm), till (t)
- Field observation site: material as above near rock outcrop
- Radioactive date
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