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East Hoodoo Mountain - Iskut River Geology

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LEGEND

LAYERED ROCKS

PLEISTOCENE AND HOLOCENE
Hoodoo Mountain Volcanic Complex (subdivision and descriptions after Edwards et al., 2000)

- PHpp Unglaciated porphyritic phonolite lava flows containing alkali feldspar phenocrysts.
- PHppp Porphyritic phonolite lava flows partly modified by glaciation (near margins of modern alpine glaciers). Unpublished preliminary isotopic age determinations of 7 Ka and 28 Ka are reported by Edwards et al. (2000).
- Plap Pleistocene undivided aphanitic phonolite lava flows. Immediately southwest of the Twin Glacier terminus, three flow domes have been mapped by Edwards et al. (2000). These authors also report unpublished K-Ar age determinations ranging from 0.11 ± 0.03 Ma to 0.02 ± 0.01 Ma.
- Plaps Aphanitic phonolite lava flows and spines displaying evidence of shallow subglacial eruption. Strongly developed, closely-spaced jointing is common. Abundant irregular vesicles may contain anatole.
- Plamv Aphanitic phonolite lava flows within the medial parts of the volcanic section. Strongly jointed producing thin, commonly radiating columns (~0.5m thick).

EARLY JURASSIC
Hazelton Group

- eImx Coarse basalt breccia, fine-grained, locally scoriaceous, ± wacke interlayers. May grade into unit eJlg and ITr3sc.
- eJtg Well-bedded, bright green lapilli ash tuff and tuffite; extensively chlorite - epidote altered; beautiful relic layering locally overprinted by intense foliation and sericite-quartz alteration; mafic to intermediate compositions.
- eJtm Massive to bedded, maroon ash to lapilli tuff tuffite, commonly with a platy cleavage. Similar units occur in Late Triassic and Carboniferous sections.
- eJdaf Homblende ± biotite and feldspar crystal-rich dacite ash flow / air fall tuff; commonly light maroon-weathering; preliminary U-Pb zircon age of 187 Ma (N. Joyce, pers. comm.); correlative with Betty Creek Fm. to south.
- ITr3sc Dominantly quartz-bearing, turbiditic volcanic sandstone and argillite, lesser calcareous, rusty conglomerate dominated by sedimentary, volcanic and granitoid clasts.
- ITr3vc Volcanic conglomerate with carbonate matrix dominated by wacke and feldspar porphyry clasts; a subset of ITr3sc where mappable.

LATE TRIASSIC (PROBABLY TO EARLIEST JURASSIC)
Stuhini Group

- ITr3sw Orange and black turbiditic sandstone and conglomerate with coaly fragments common in 104B/14. Clasts are dominated by brown, altered, tabular feldspar porphyry.
- ITr3sc Conglomerate and tuffite; orange, coarse biotite crystal-rich matrix, clasts include tabular feldspar porphyry, syenite and coarse K-feldspar crystals. Cut by breccia dikes and diatremes with similar clasts.
- ITr3sd Maroon dacite tuff. Feldspar, quartz and minor biotite crystal tuff to lapilli crystal ash tuff. Welding is poorly developed; pumice blocks are compacted. Also white rhyolite as coarse breccia, tuff and flow within unit (ITr3sc; preliminary U-Pb zircon age of ~220 Ma (N. Joyce, pers. comm.)).
- ITr3sp Polymictic conglomerate. Carbonate, feldspar porphyry, pyroxene porphyry and granitoid clasts are common. Ash-rich matrix supported, typically maroon and massive to well-bedded.
- ITr3sv Well-bedded maroon and green ash and lesser lapilli tuff and tuffite, commonly feldspar crystal-rich.
- ITr3sl Feldspar porphyry tuff; mainly breccia, grades into maroon lapilli-ash tuff and may be interbedded with unit ITr3sp.
- ITr3scv Augite feldspar porphyry; orange-tan to green-weathering, coarse, commonly crowded phenocrysts; breccia, ash tuff and lesser pillowed flows.

MIDDLE TO LATE TRIASSIC

- mITra Dark brown to black, commonly rusty graphitic, calcareous, turbiditic argillite-wacke. Sparse decimeter thick, light grey interbeds of micritic Halobia or Diaporia packstone.

PALEOZOIC TO TRIASSIC UNDIVIDED
Metamorphosed Silikene Assemblage and Stuhini Group, deformed and cut by Late Triassic - Early Jurassic intrusions

- PzTrsv Undivided sedimentary and volcanic rocks.
- PzTrtl Brown-weathering, slabby recrystallized coralline limestone located south of Mt. Verrett.
- PzTrvm Mafic volcanic; tuff and minor flows; may display relict pyroxene phenocrysts. Locally magnetite poikiloblastic. Also as dikes.
- PzTrvi Breccia and ash of intermediate composition; includes amygdaloidal flows near Twin Glaciers.
- PzTrvr Rhyolite and dacite tuff and rare flows (interpreted from drill core near Rock and Roll). Interlayered rhyolite and basalt flows at Twin Glaciers. "Stratified porphyry" flows south of Mount Verrett. Interbedded with quartzite above lower Craig River.
- PzTrvw Argillite-siltstone; recessive, grey, brown and rust-weathering argillite and laminated siltstone couplets interpreted as A-E turbidites; rare quartzite tuff layers near Rock and Roll; may correlate with CVt.
- PzTrvt Tuffaceous phyllite and volcanic siltstone-wacke; light to dark green and platy-weathering.
- PzTrts Siltstone-sandstone; locally well laminated with volcanic association and/or volcanic lithic grains; may contain lenses of conglomerate.
- PzTrtsr Sericite schist (Macrae and Hall, 1983).
- PzTrtp Porcellanite (Macrae and Hall, 1983).
- PzTrtq Quartzitic sandstone southwest of Mount Verrett.
- PzTrtg Graphitic siltstone and argillite; black and rusty, commonly pyritic and recessive. Mainly siltstone southwest of Mount Verrett. At "Subside Ridge" it is mainly sooty argillite, and hosts mineralization at the Black Dog zone.
- PzTrth Chert; may include silicified siltstone and volcanic dust tuff.

DEVONIAN TO PERMIAN
Silikene Assemblage - undivided late Paleozoic (Devonian to Permian)

- psi Undivided limestone; typically massive, crinoid granitons. Probably mainly Early Permian.
- psim White to tan or grey marble. Variable protholiths as young as Permian.
- psv Metamorphosed intermediate to mafic volcanic tuff.
- pas Calcareous turbiditic wacke; argillite and siltstone couplets.

mainly Early Permian

- ePsi Cream to dark grey limestones, locally with giant fusulinids, silicified bryozoa, bivalves and crinoids common. Possibly ranges in age to Middle Permian.
- ePsih Dark grey, thickly bedded (dm to m) limestone with irregular black chert interbeds.
- PSIgc Well-bedded grey/black and cream/tan-coloured limestone.
- ePsi Well-bedded, radiolarian chert; black, grey, rust-weathering. Near the Dirk prospect are cm to dm interbeds with thinner, light grey to yellow-weathering, poorly indurated claystone. Probably ranging in age to Late Carboniferous.

mainly Middle Carboniferous

- CVt Volcanic wacke, argillite; thin lenses or beds of volcanic conglomerate; white rhyolite and dark green mafic clasts are common; bioturbated locally; rare cm-thick lenses of pyrite and pyrite clasts.
- CVcv Well-bedded green to maroon ash to lapilli tuffite and tuff, with sparse, irregularly bedded chert (enhalite?) which may include stratiform pyrite and chalcopyrite lenses.
- CVc Volcanic conglomerate dominated by wacke and feldspar porphyry clasts. A subset of CVt where mappable.
- CI Crinoid limestone; typically light grey with large crinoids, well-bedded to massive. Basal parts may be interlayered with basalt.
- CVf Felicit volcanic rocks, mainly light yellow to green-weathering rhyolite and dacite; locally displays welding; preliminary U-Pb zircon age of 340 Ma (N. Joyce, pers. comm.).
- Clt Mainly green tuff and pillows with jasper at margins, grades into unit CI; lesser fine-grained rusty wacke and argillite may grade into CVt. Includes one outcrop area (of probable Early Permian age) in NW corner of map area.

INTRUSIVE ROCKS

Early Eocene

- EEgd Homblende-biotite granodiorite. White to grey-weathering, locally with xenolith-rich zones and amphibolitic schlieren.
- EEgd Dark grey, blocky, variculated biotite homblende quartz diorite and granodiorite.

Early Jurassic and Late Triassic

- eJp Red bluff stock: K-feldspar porphyry; reported U-Pb zircon age is 195 ± 1 Ma (Macdonald et al., 1992).
- qz-mf Quartz-magnetite alteration zone south of Red Bluff stock (Lefebvre and Gunning, 1989).
- ITr3gd K-feldspar magmatic granodiorite; coarse holocrystalline to porphyritic; secondary fine biotite is pervasive where potassic-altered. Includes Bronson stock with reported U-Pb zircon ages of 193.9 ± 0.6 Ma (Lewis et al., 2001) and 211 ± 14 Ma (Macdonald et al., 1992). Includes non-porphyratic dikes and granodiorite along the Craig River.
- ITr3cy Late Triassic Copper Mountain Suite
- ITr3cy K-spar porphyritic syenite, generally with abundant primary biotite ± homblende. Breccia, tuff and subvolcanic intrusions. Includes carbonate-biotite-K-feldspar diatremes with multiple generations of biotite and/or thorne dissepimental xenocrysts.

Paleozoic to Jurassic

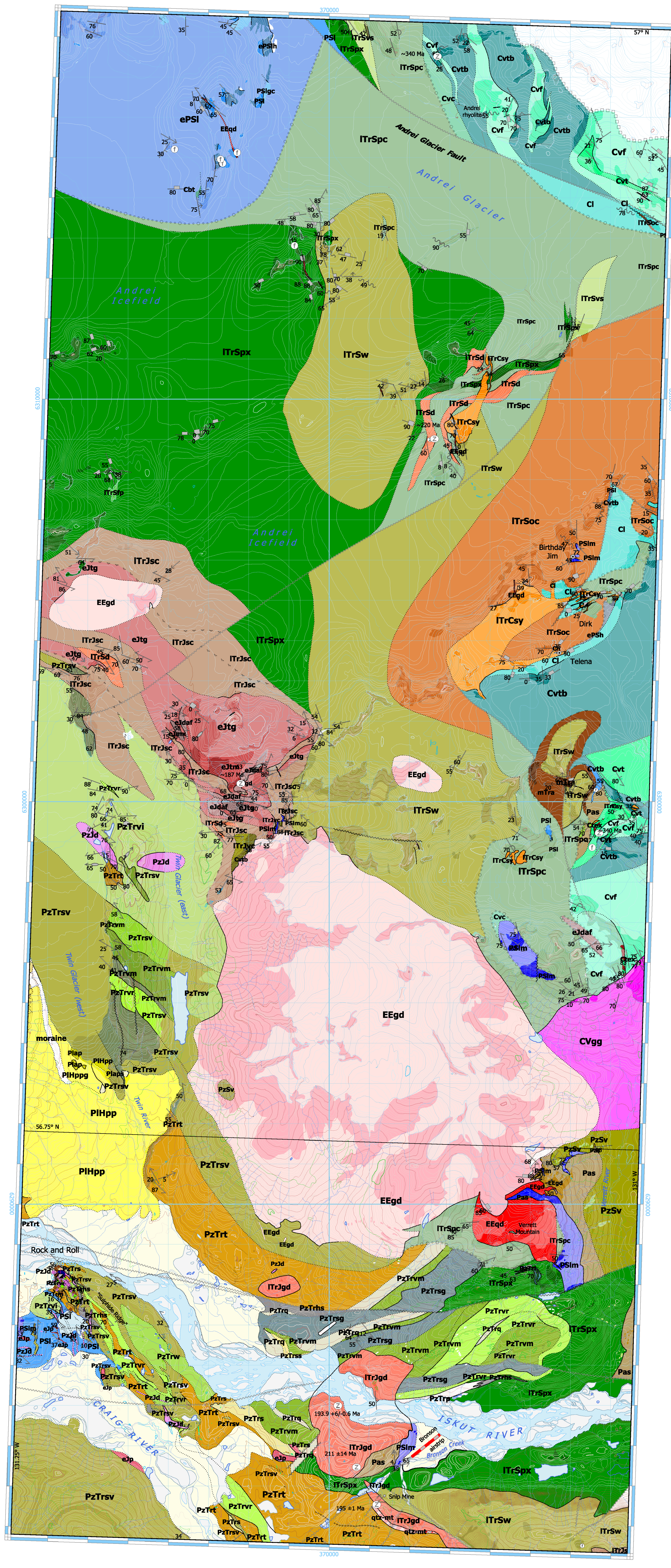
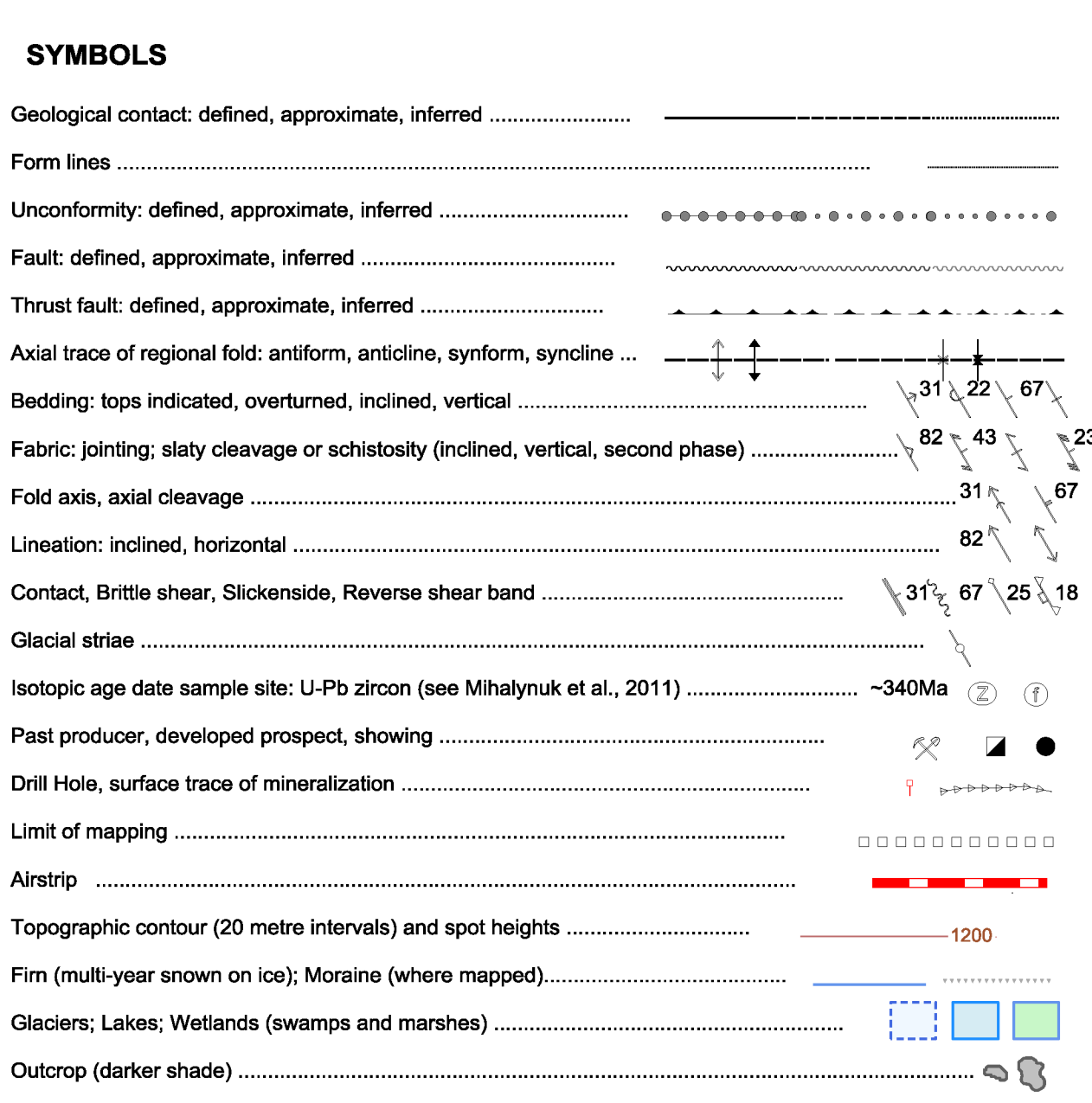
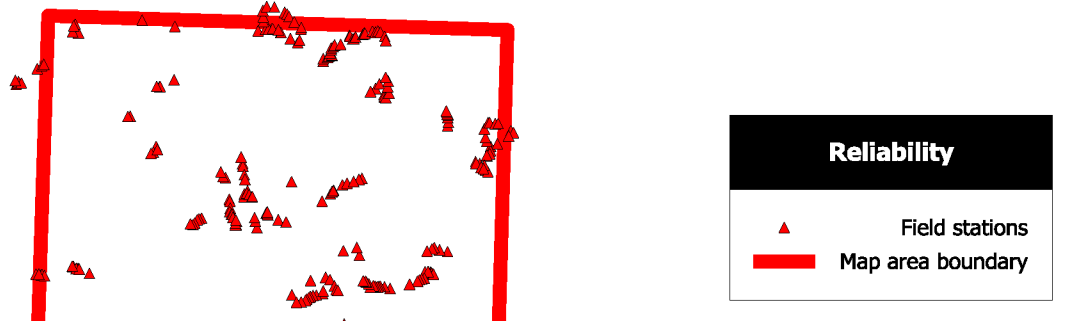
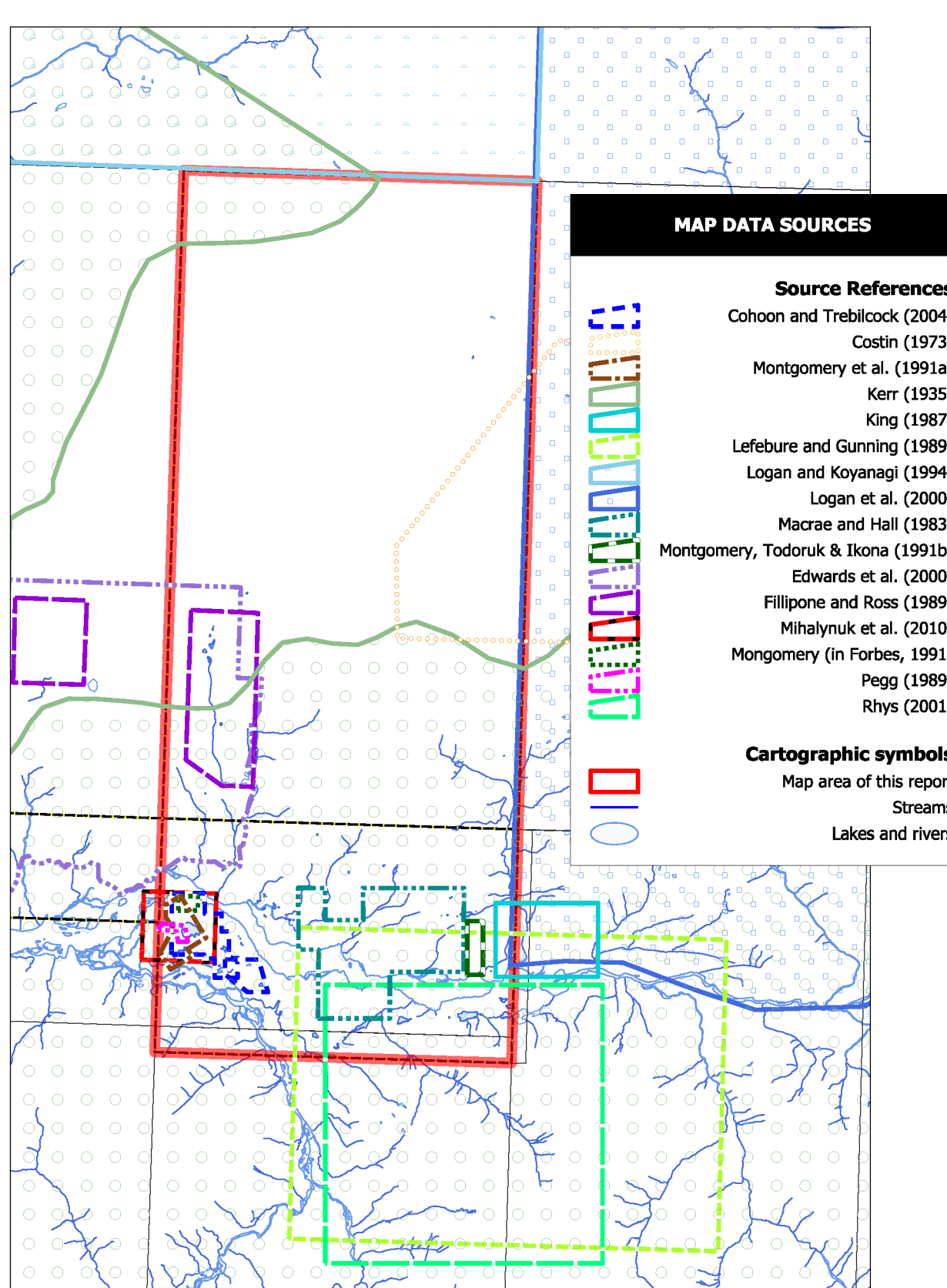
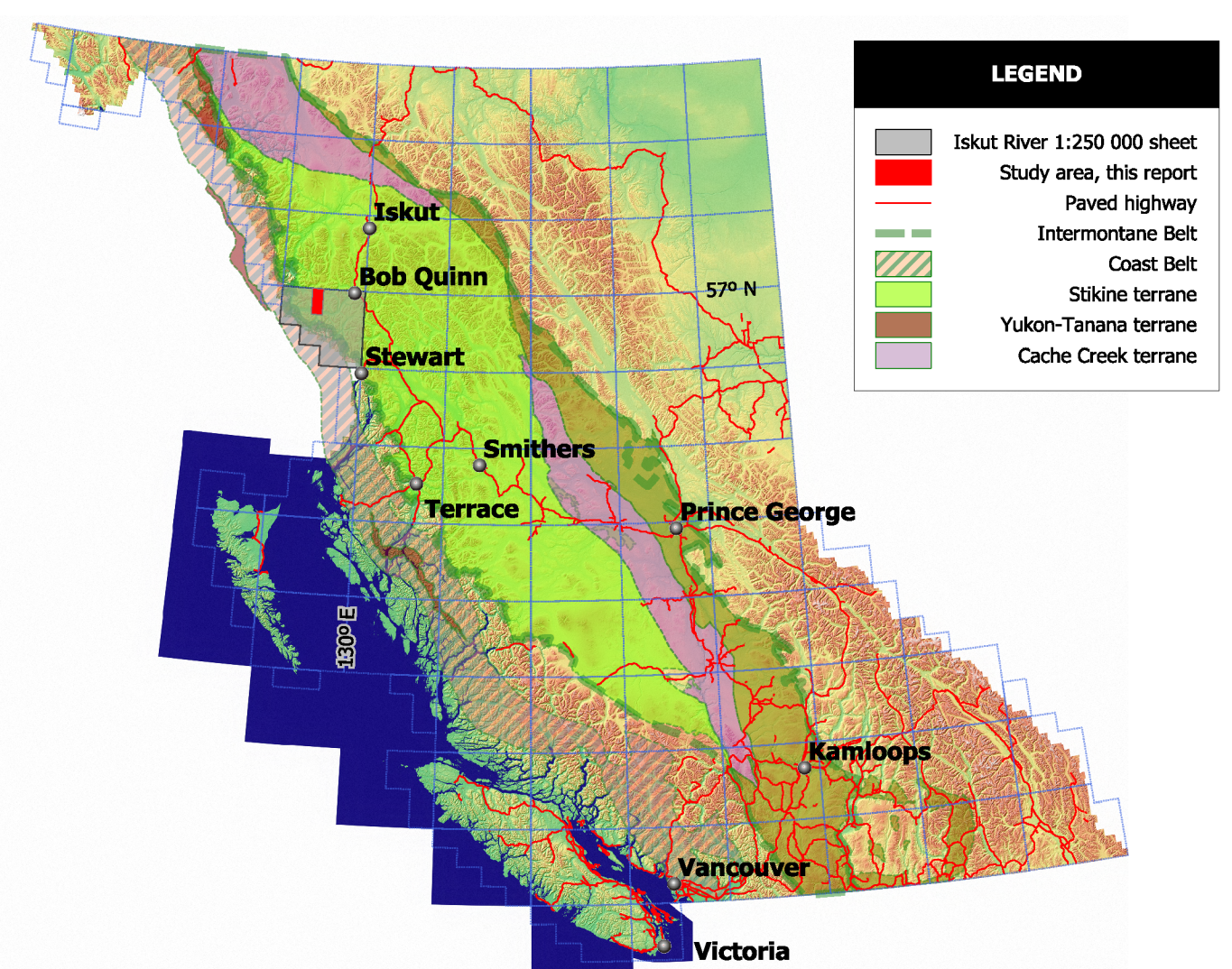
- PzJd Diorite stocks and dikes; variably foliated and/or cataclastically deformed; medium-grained, dark green, includes minor quartz diorite.

Carboniferous

- CV99 Vernet pluton: graphic granite, tan to orange, rubby to blocky weathering, pyritic, cataclastically deformed northern contact.

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