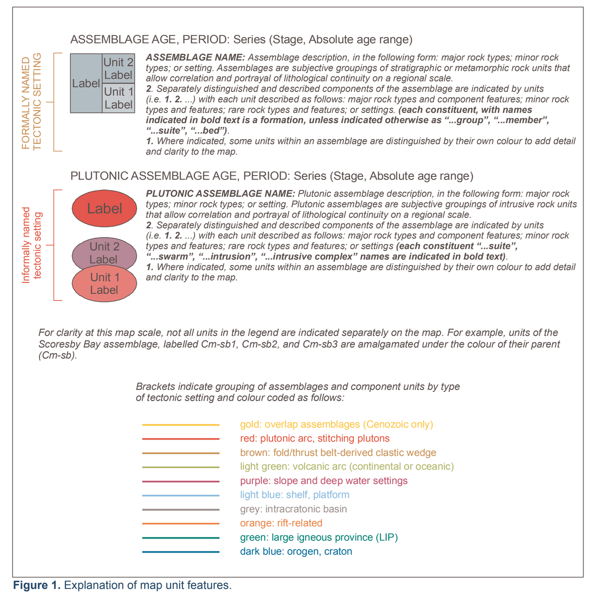

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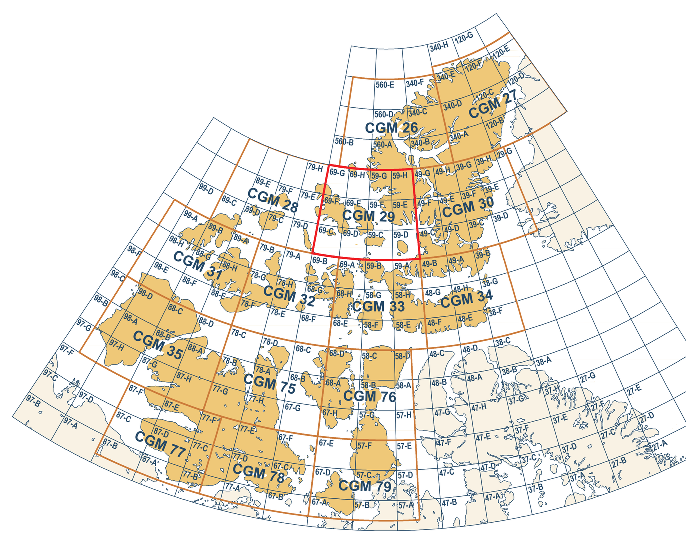

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Abstract

This map and the related geodatabase illustrate the bedrock geology of southwestern Axel Heiberg Island, the greater part of Ellef Ringnes Island, all of King Christian, Amund Ringnes, Cornwall, and Griffith islands, in addition to various other small islands. Major features of the area include mostly Mesozoic strata of the Sverdrup basin penetrated by salt diapirs on Axel Heiberg Island and the Ringnes islands. Compressive deformation is pronounced on Axel Heiberg island; less so to the west. Cretaceous basalts and intrusive rocks (mostly gabbro) are associated with the High Arctic Large Igneous province.

Résumé

Cette carte et la géodatabase qui s'y rapporte documentent la géologie du substratum rocheux dans le sud-ouest de l'île Axel Heiberg, la majeure partie de l'île Ellef Ringnes, et les îles King Christian, Amund Ringnes, Cornwall et Griffith en entier, de même que diverses autres petites îles. Les principales entités géologiques de la région sont des strates surtout mésozoïques du bassin de Sverdrup, qui sont percées de diapirs de sel sur l'île Axel Heiberg et les îles Ringnes. La déformation en compression est prononcée sur l'île Axel Heiberg, alors qu'elle l'est moins dans l'ouest. Le basalte et les roches intrusives (principalement du gabbro) crétacés sont associés à la grande province magmatique du Haut-Arctique.

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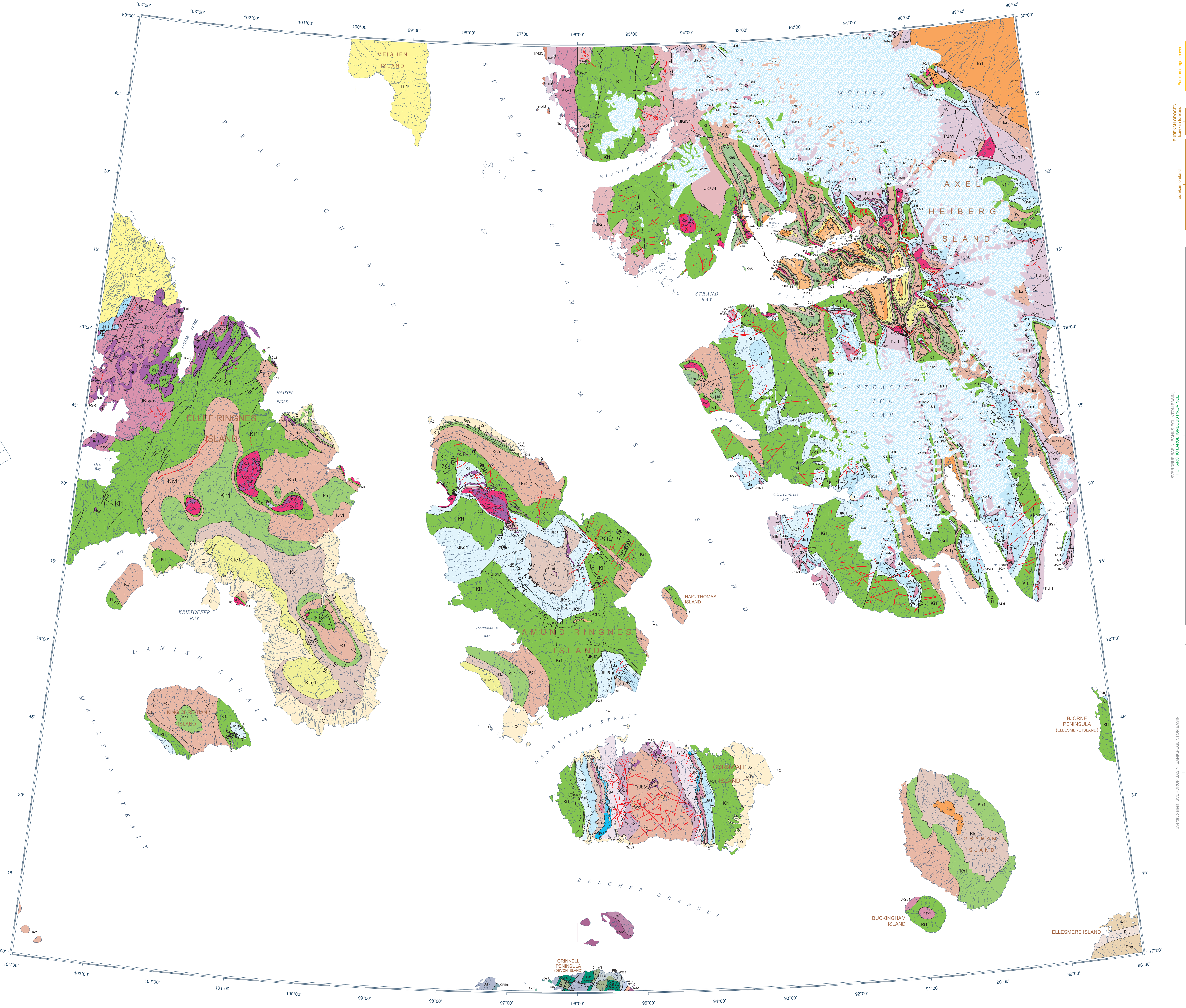

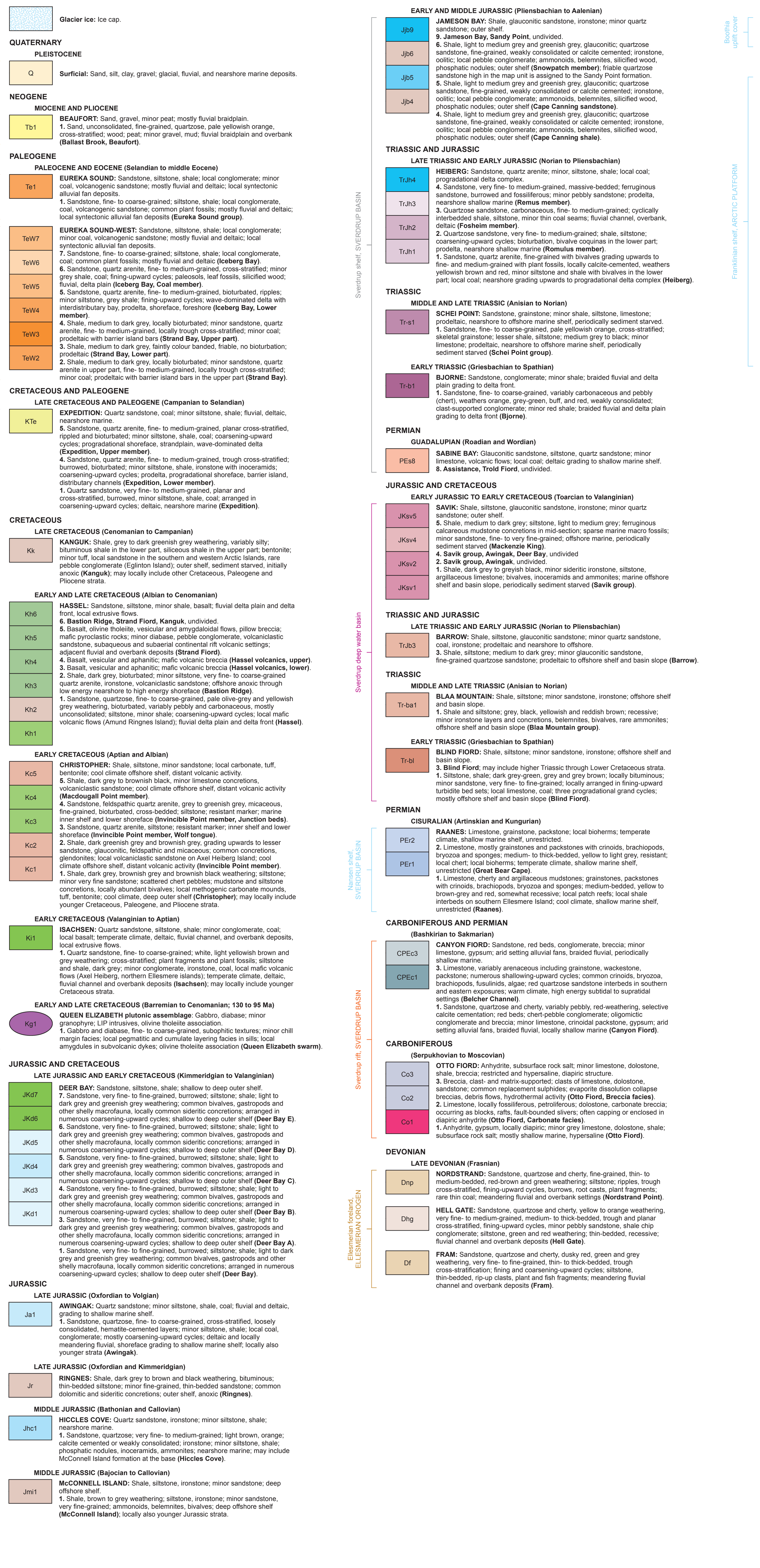

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Map projection Lambert Conformal Conic, standard parallels 77°30'N and 79°30'N. North American Datum 1983

Base map at the scale of 1:250 000 from Natural Resources Canada, with modifications.

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Readings vary from 12°42'W in the SW corner to 55°35'W in the NE corner of the map.

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