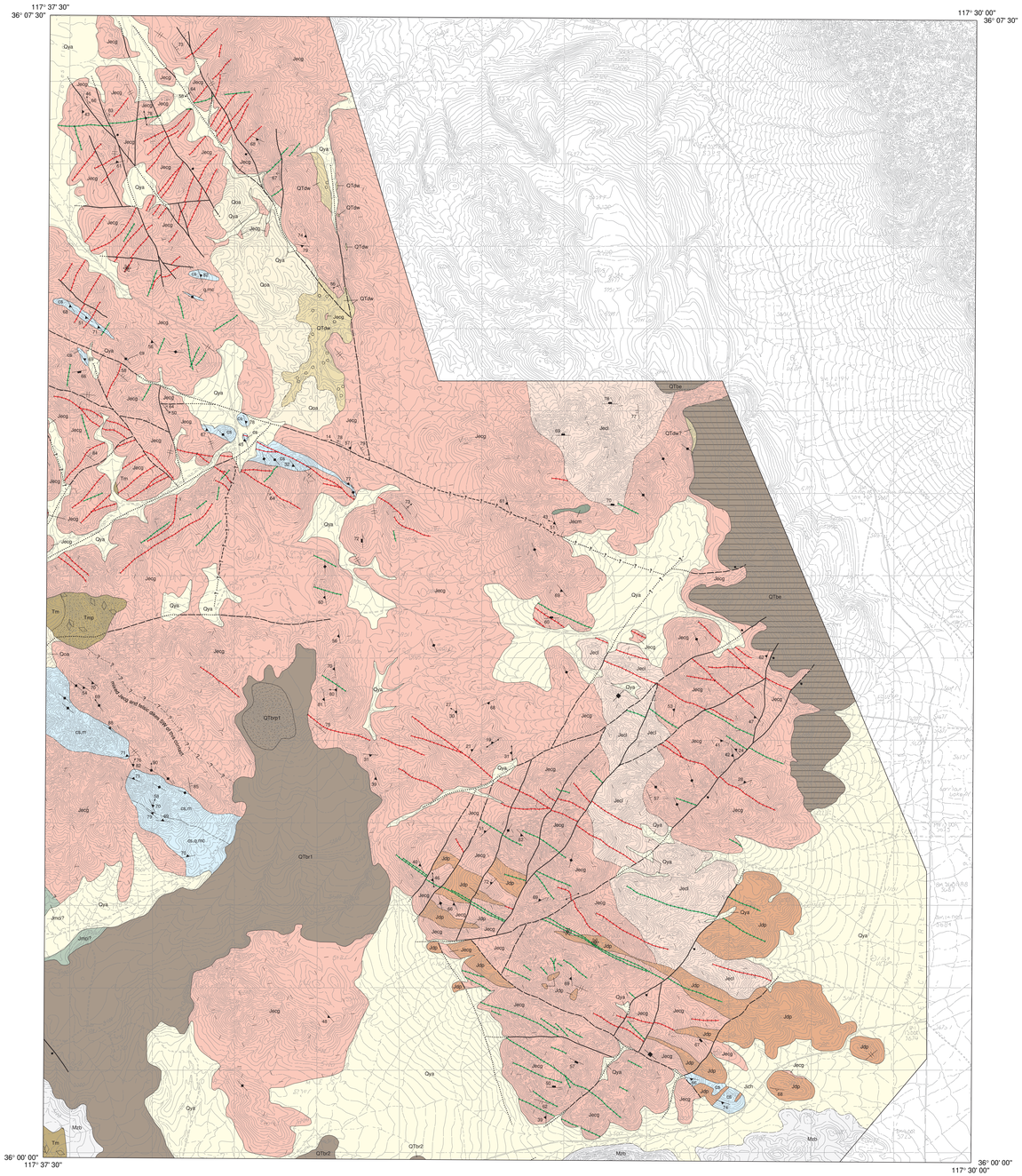
Louisiana Butte Quadrangle



GEOLOGIC MAP OF THE LOUISIANA BUTTE 7.5' QUADRANGLE; INYO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

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EXPLANATION†

COVER UNITS

Quaternary

- Qya — Younger Alluvium*
- Qoa — Older Alluvium*

Q–T

- QTbe — Basalt of Etcharren Valley
- QTdw — Darwin Wash Formation, polymict conglomerate

Tertiary

- QTbrp — Basalt of Renegade Canyon, pyroclastic*
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- Tmp — Mafic Rocks, pyroclastic*
- Tm — Mafic Rocks*

BASEMENT UNITS

Jurassic

- JKdi—Independence Dike Swarm (red: felsic, green: mafic–intermediate) [166±1 to ~119 Ma]
- Jdp — Divide Peak Hypabyssal Complex, felsic [150±1 Ma]
- Jmci — Mixed Complex, intermediate component (Quartz Monzodiorite) to (Diorite) [151±1 Ma]
- Jecm — Intrusive Complex of Eastern Coso Range, mafic component
- Jecl — Intrusive Complex of Eastern Coso Range, leucocratic component
- Jecg — Intrusive Complex of Eastern Coso Range, granitic rocks [>166±1 Ma]

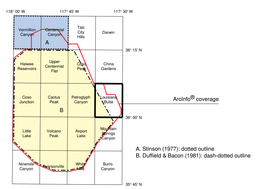
Pz–Mz

- Mzb — Basement Rocks*
- cs, etc. — Metamorphic Rocks of Uncertain Age (see Chapter One for details)

MAP SYMBOLS

- Boundary of Quaternary rhyolite within coeval pyroclastic deposits; tick marks face toward eruptive center
- Boundary of probable landslide; tick marks localized along base of slide block and face toward structural top
- Approximate structural limit of tectonic breccia; tick marks localized along brecciated side of contact
- Fault contact; solid (known), dashed (approximate), dotted (inferred), queried where conjectural. Ball and bar on down-dropped side of normal fault. Teeth on upper plate of thrust fault.
- Ductile shear (mylonite) zone
- Intrusive or depositional contact; solid (known), dashed (approximate), short dash with query (inferred)
- Fold axis; syncline, anticline, doubly-plunging syncline
- 63 — Strike and dip of bedding plane; inclined
- 49 — Strike and dip of flow foliation; inclined, vertical
- 58 44 74 13 32 — Strike and dip of fault plane; inclined, w/ down-dip lineation, w/ horizontal lineation, w/ oblique lineation, subhorizontal lineation
- 80 — Strike and dip of fracture cleavage; inclined, vertical
- 58 — Strike and dip of joint plane; inclined, vertical
- 81 42 21 35 17 — Strike and dip of foliation/compositional layering; inclined, vertical, w/ down-dip lineation, w/ horizontal lineation, w/ oblique lineation
- Locality of sample used for radiometric age determination.

† Units listed represent only the geologic column for this quadrangle. The geologic column for the entire Coso Range, including description of the radiometric ages cited here, is listed within the text file on this CD. Units highlighted with an asterisk (•) were defined and described by Duffield & Bacon (1981). Map symbols shown represent the complete set of symbols used in this study. Some of those illustrated may not be relevant to the geology of this particular quadrangle.



Reference map with 7.5 minute quadrangle boundaries. Red line delineates boundary of ArcInfo® coverage compiled by Whitmarsh during 1994-1997 at the University of Kansas: Department of Geology: Structural geology and GIS laboratory. Shaded areas (A and B) encompass portions of earlier geological maps containing contacts that have been included in this compilation. Bold black line highlights the locality and boundary of this quadrangle.

SCALE 1:24,000
CONTOUR INTERVAL 20 FEET

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Kilometers

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Miles

Total map area of Whitmarsh (see reference map) includes some contacts and unit labels established by Stinson (1977) and Duffield & Bacon (1981). Contacts within the Cenozoic cover sequence either copied or adapted from Duffield & Bacon (1981). Structural data and contacts within the pre-Cenozoic basement complex, except within unit Mzb, established by Whitmarsh 1994-1996.

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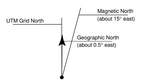

Topographic base: LOUISIANA BUTTE 7.5' QUADRANGLE (USGS, PROVISIONAL EDITION 1982)