GEOLOGIC MAP OF THE TERRY 30' x 60' QUADRANGLE EASTERN MONTANA

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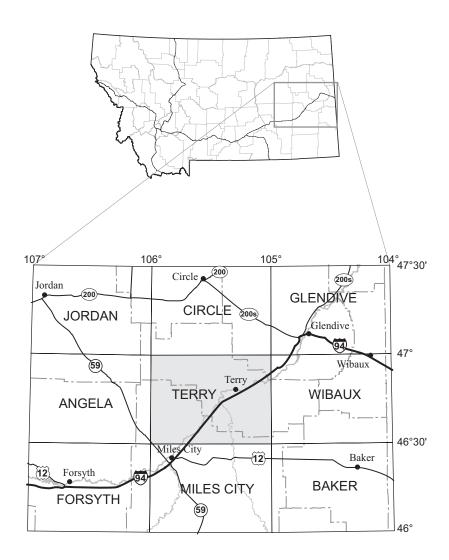
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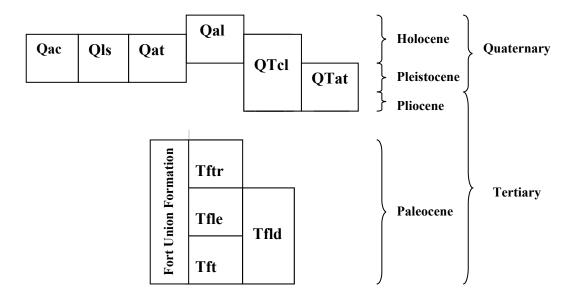
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Location of Terry 30'x60' quadrangle and adjacent geologic maps published by MBMG.

CORRELATION DIAGRAM TERRY 30' x 60' QUADRANGLE



DESCRIPTION OF MAP UNITS TERRY 30' x 60' QUADRANGLE

Note: Thicknesses are given in feet because original field maps were on 7.5' quadrangles with topographic contour intervals in feet. To convert feet to meters (the contour interval unit on this map), multiply feet x 0.3048.

- Qal ALLUVIUM (HOLOCENE)—Light-brown and gray, moderately to well-sorted and stratified clay, silt, sand and gravel. As much as 100 ft thick under floodplain of the Yellowstone River and as much as 25 ft thick under tributaries of the Yellowstone River.
- Qac ALLUVIUM AND COLLUVIUM (HOLOCENE AND PLEISTOCENE)— Brown to gray, poorly stratified clay, silt, and sand deposited by sheetwash on slopes. Color and texture of colluvium reflect parent sediment. Thickness as much as 35 ft but generally less than 15 ft.
- Qls LANDSLIDE DEPOSIT (HOLOCENE AND PLEISTOCENE)—Slump, rock fall, or earthflow deposit. Color and composition reflect that of parent material. Clast size ranges from clay and silt to blocks of sandstone several feet in diameter. Probably less than 50 ft thick.
- Qat ALLUVIAL TERRACE DEPOSIT (HOLOCENE AND PLEISTOCENE)— Light-gray to light-brown, stratified, moderately well-sorted sand and gravel at elevations above present floodplain. Thickness as much as 100 ft in alluvial fill terrace deposit south of the Yellowstone River in the Terry and Fallon area, but generally less than 30 ft.
- QTcl CLINKER (HOLOCENE, PLEISTOCENE, AND PLIOCENE?)—Red, pink, orange, black, and yellow, resistant metamorphosed sandstone, siltstone, and shale of the Fort Union Formation. Bedrock was baked by natural burning of underlying coal bed. Locally, baked rock was melted and fused to form buchite, a black, glassy, vesicular or scoriaceous rock. Thickness as much as 60 ft.

QTat ALLUVIAL TERRACE DEPOSIT (PLEISTOCENE AND PLIOCENE?)—

Light-gray, gray, and light-brown, stratified to poorly stratified, moderately to poorly sorted sand and gravel. Locally, basal part is well cemented with calcium carbonate. Thickness as much as 50 ft, but generally less than 30 ft.

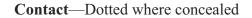
FORT UNION FORMATION (PALEOCENE)

Tftr Tongue River Member—Yellow, orange, or tan, fine-grained sandstone with thinner interbeds of yellowish-brown, orange, or tan siltstone, and light-yellow or light-tan mudstone and clay. Clay dominantly nonswelling. In

part of the map area (shown with hachure pattern) the lower part of the member contains a paleosol unit characterized by thin, orange, silty limestone beds that form caprocks, and light-colored siltstone and mudstone beds that locally contain white- or light-gray-weathered silcrete and other paleosols. The silcrete and other paleosols may contain molds of plant stems and roots, and range from 1 to 6 inches thick. The upper part of the member was removed by erosion in the map area. Thickness of as much as 400 ft exposed in map area.

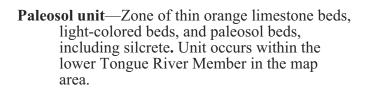
- **Tfld Ludlow Member**—Gray and grayish-brown fine-grained sandstone, siltstone, smectitic mudstone, and carbonaceous shale interbedded with thinner yellow or orange, fine-grained sandstone beds. Facies change from Lebo and Tullock Members of the Fort Union Formation to the Ludlow Member is indicated in the eastern part of the map area. Thickness of member about 460 ft.
- Tfle Lebo Member—Dark- to light-gray, smectitic shale and mudstone interbedded with less dominant lenticular to tabular beds of yellow, brown, and gray sandstone, gray siltstone, and carbonaceous shale. Sandstone channels are present locally. The U coal bed (Rogers, 1911; Heffern, 1981;Gassaway and others, 1987) is typically present in the basal part of the Lebo Member as a single bed or an interval of splits from that bed. The Lebo-Tullock contact is associated with the U coal bed or beds. Thickness of member 200–340 ft.
- Tft Tullock Member—Light-yellow, gray, and light-brown, planar-bedded, very fine- to medium-grained sandstone interbedded with less dominant gray, dark-gray, and greenish-gray shale and mudstone, and locally, with brownish-gray, well-indurated argillaceous limestone beds that may contain plant fragment molds. A ledge-forming sandstone occurs at the top of the member in much of its exposure. Base of member not exposed. Maximum exposed thickness 50 ft.

MAP SYMBOLS TERRY 30' x 60' QUADRANGLE





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Silcrete bed—Light-gray siliceous paleosol bed with casts of roots and stems.



Facies change—From Ludlow east of symbol to Lebo and Tullock west of symbol.

GEOLOGIC MAP SOURCES AND INDEX OF 7.5' QUADRANGLES TERRY 30'x 60' QUADRANGLE

47°	Combs Ranch	Little Sheep Mountain	South Fork Reservoir	McCloud	Papps Reservoir	Diamond G Creek	Hendrick- son Coulee	Fallon NE
			6	6	6	6	6	
	Twin Buttes School	More- house Creek	Physic Creek	McClure Reservoir	Calypso	Terry	Fallon SW	Fallon
	5, 6	4, 6	1,6	1, 3, 6	1, 2, 3, 6	2, 3	2	2
	Horse Creek Hill	Coal Bank Spring	Kinsey NW	Kinsey NE	Zero	Zero NE	Flat Top Butte	Flat Top Butte NE
				1, 3	1, 2, 3	2	2	2
	Deadman Creek	Noble Reservoir	Kinsey	Shirley	Corral Butte	Spring Draw	Flat Top Butte SW	Little Whitney Creek
						2	2	2

Numbers above correspond with reference list below.

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Entire quadrangle

Stoner, J.D., and Lewis, B.D., 1980, scale 1:500,000. Vuke, S.M., and Colton, R.B., 1989, scale 1:100,000. 105°

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