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**The National Park Service cares for special places saved by the American people so that all may experience our heritage.**

A Few Brief Factoids regarding the NPS:

- *Yellowstone, established in 1872, is the first National Park in the world*
- *National Parks are called America's best idea*
- *The National Park Service was created in 1916*

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## The National Park Service Geologic Resources Evaluation: “Using GIS to get GIS”

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### ABSTRACT

*The National Park Service (NPS) is currently involved in an encompassing effort to evaluate the geologic resources in 270 NPS park units throughout the country. This involves conducting scoping meetings, assembling geologic bibliographies of all known applicable references, producing geologic maps (bedrock, surficial, abandoned mines, caves, coastal features, etc.), and then assembling all of this information into a usable database. Currently, much of the work revolves around discerning existing geologic map coverage (map type, scale, detail, vintage, usefulness, etc.). To develop this information, the NPS engages in extensive data-mining in cooperation with the USGS, AASG, and academics to evaluate existing index maps of known geologic coverage. The NPS uses "GIS" data to assemble these maps to pinpoint areas of known coverage, as well as to target areas of no known coverage.*

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## DISCLAIMER / CLARIFICATION

- my “title” may be somewhat misleading; should be on “**geology**” GIS; leave if you’d like if it’s not what you were after; I’m not offended
- **I. Background on NPS Geologic Resources Evaluation**  
(one of baseline “inventories by NPS Inventory & Monitoring program)
- **II. Specific GRE methods for determining which geologic maps to evaluate / use**
- **III. Geology.....it’s not just for scenery anymore**  
(using geologic GIS to identify, solve and create new problems)

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## Background on NPS Geologic Resources Evaluation program

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## NPS goals of the Geologic Resources Evaluation Program

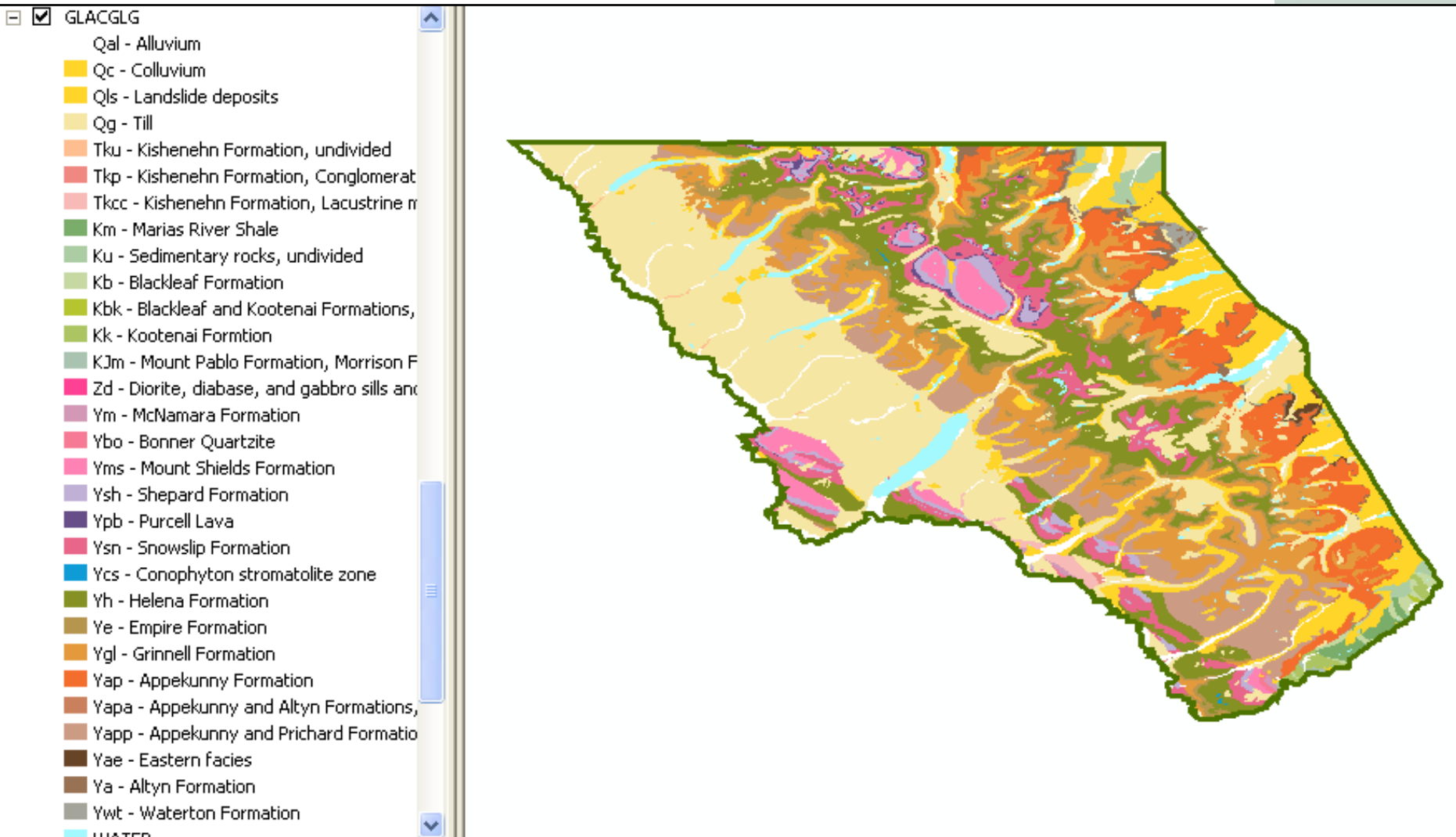
1. a **Scoping Meeting** to discuss geologic map coverage, features and processes, and resource management needs with experts on the park's geology, and to capture those discussions in a scoping summary to give to the park.
2. a **Bibliography** of updated references to the park's geology
3. a **Digital Geologic Map** at an agreed upon scale and compatible with the NPS Theme Manager and evolving USGS models
4. a **Report** to accompany the map that summarizes the park's geologic history, identifies resource management issues, and documents monitoring and research needs.

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## Digital **Bedrock** Geologic Map for Glacier NP

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## Digital **Surficial** Geologic Map for Glacier NP

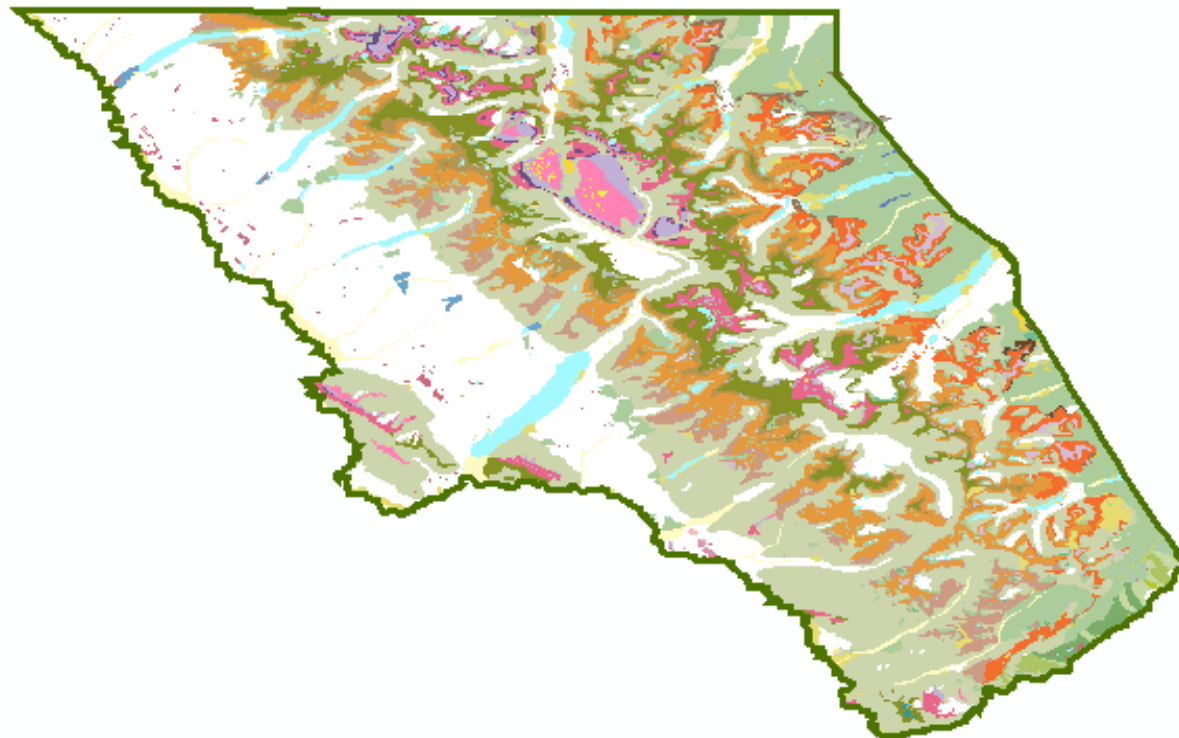
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- Qt1 - Till (late Holocene)
- Qal - Alluvium
- Qor - Organic deposit
- Qaf - Alluvial-fan deposit
- Qac - Alluvial and colluvial deposit
- Qrg - Rock-glacier deposit
- Qta - Talus deposit
- Qls - Landslide deposit
- Qco - Colluvial deposit
- Qso - Solifluction and related deposit
- Qtr - Frost rubble
- Qt2 - Till (late Pleistocene)
- Qtg - Terrace deposit
- Qes - Esker deposit
- Qt3 - Till (late Pleistocene)
- Qat - Ablation till
- QTdi - Diamicton
- BR - Bedrock
- WATER

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- Qal - Alluvium
- Qc - Colluvium
- Qls - Landslide deposits
- Qg - Till
- Tku - Kishenehn Formation, undivided
- Tkp - Kishenehn Formation, Conglomerate
- Tkcc - Kishenehn Formation, Lacustrine
- Km - Marias River Shale
- Ku - Sedimentary rocks, undivided
- Kb - Blackfoot Formation

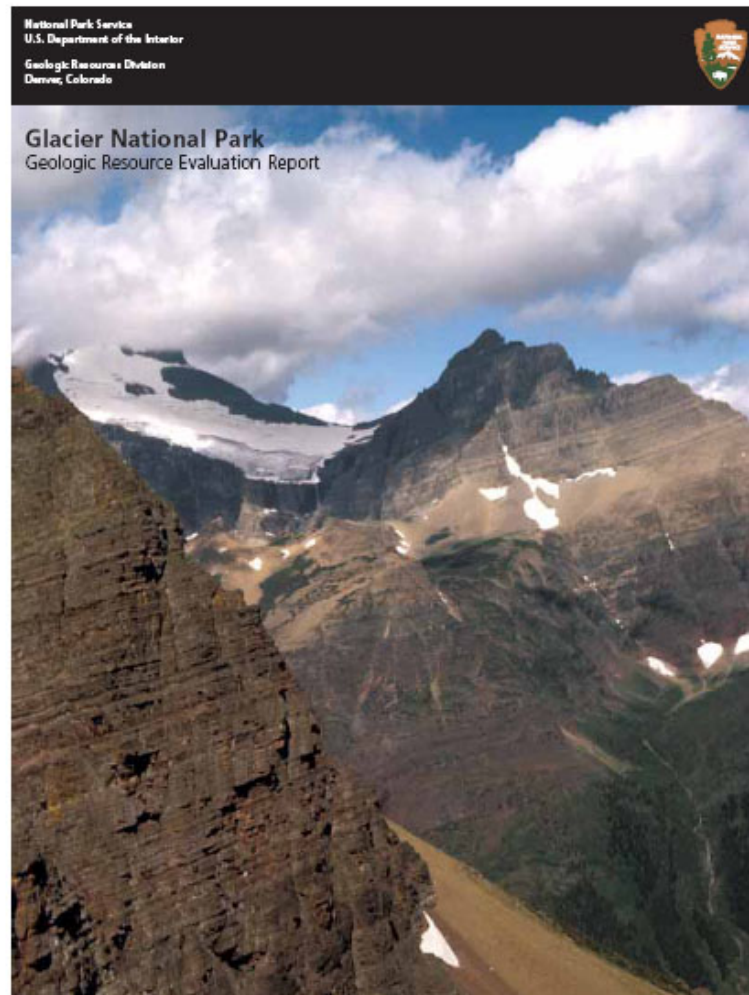


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## Geologic Report for Glacier NP

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## Map Unit Properties Table (“MUPT”)...making the crosswalk between the map and resource management

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Formation Properties Table

Age		Unit Name (Symbol)	Features and Description	Erosion Resistance	Suitability for Development	Hazards	Potential Paleontologic Resources	Potential Cultural Resources	Mineral Specimens	Karst Issues	Mineral Resources	Habitat	Recreation Potential	Global Significance	Limits on restoration
West	East														
QUATERNARY		Glacial and Alluvial Sediments (Qa, Qc, Qb, Qs, Qd, Qe, Qf, Qg, Qh, Qi, Qj, Qk, Ql, Qm, Qn, Qo, Qp, Qq, Qr, Qs, Qt, Qu, Qv, Qw, Qx, Qy, Qz)	Unconsolidated surface deposits 0- 50 m (0- 164 ft) thick; includes alluvium, alluvial fill, colluvium, landslide deposits, terrace gravel, glacial till and outwash deposits; till is banded assortment of water-sorted to subangular bouldery rubble contained within sand, silt and clay; landfills are large slumps, block slides and earth flows; colluvium is comprised of unsorted, angular gravel-size clasts in a sand- silt- clay rich matrix with small pockets of till, talus, rock- avalanche and debris flow deposits; alluvium consists of sand and gravel deposits as well as channel and overbank deposits of silt and sand	Very low	Unconsolidated material underlies most valleys of the park where buildings already exist and may have with frost or extreme moisture	Slump and slide potential high	None	Possible camp sites preserved and other Native American artifacts	None	None	Sand, gravel, clay	Valley fill	Good for trails and campgrounds	None documented	None
TERTIARY		Mahoneys Formation (Tm, Tn, To, Tp, Tr, Ts, Tt, Tu, Tv, Tw, Tx, Ty, Tz)	Unit is more than 60 m (200 ft) thick; contains layered gravel, sand, mud, volcanic ash, limestone, and coal; appears pale gray and tan in outcrop, with poor cementation; interlayered sandstone, mudstone and conglomerate; most pebbles are from Belt Supergroup rocks, some up to 2.5 m (8.2 ft) in diameter; oil shale, coal, marlstone, litharenite, lignite and tail beds are locally present	Low	Altered volcanic clays and poorly cemented rock layers render this unit rather unstable for development, especially for roads and structure foundations	Slump, slide and rockfall potential high if slope is present	Abundant petrified wood (Downy redwood), fossil gastropods, mollusks and palynomorphs, fish, insects and mollusks; leaves of Magnifera angustifolia	Possible camp sites preserved	Zircon in tuff beds	None	Several hundred feet of oil shale and some aspen, coal, sand and gravel	None documented	Good for trails and campgrounds	Thick, Tertiary- aged deposits; type section in North Fork of the Flathead River Valley	None
MP		McNamara Formation (Ym)	Exposed locally at GLAC, unit is 6 m (20 ft) thick near Mt. Shields; contains grayish- green siltstone and argillite with fine upward sequences common; some local beds of calcareous siltstone and arenite	Moderate	Locally exposed in park; suitable for all development unless highly fractured	Rockfall potential in steeper terrain	None	None	Mod- breccias	None	None documented	None documented	Good for all uses	Precambrian sedimentary rock	Only locally exposed
MP		Bonanza Quartzite (Yb)	Exposed locally at GLAC, unit is 244 m (800 ft) thick near Mt. Shields; consists of pinkish- gray to pale red, very fine- to medium- grained foliated arenite, some channel deposits and some siltstone and argillite in fine upward sequences; ripple marks are common	High	Locally exposed in park; suitable for all development unless highly fractured	Rockfall potential in steeper terrain	None	Possible tool material	None	None	Attractive flagstone potential	None documented	Good for rock climbing and other uses	Extensive Precambrian sedimentary rock	None
MP		Mt. Shields Formation (Ys)	Unit 777 m (2550 ft) thick in GLAC; maroon to pale purple argillite, siltstone and some greenish- gray siltstone and arenite, some unique cream colored limestone beds present locally (contain stromatolites), and black argillite at the top of the unit; fine upward sequences are common, as well as wavy and parallel bedding and salt casts	Moderate	Good for most uses unless thin bedding is present, providing planes of weakness in the rock columns. Mostly exposed at higher elevations	Rockfall potential in steeper terrain	Stromatolites in unique limestone layers	None	Salt casts	However dissolution is present, karst may be an issue	None documented	Vugs on cliffs may provide bird nest habitat	Good for all uses	Type section at Mt. Shields; Precambrian sedimentary rock with stromatolites in conspicuous limestone layer	None
MP		Shepard Formation (Ysh)	Ranges from 472- 168 m (1550- 550 ft) thick in GLAC; yellowish, greenish- gray dolomite and pyritic siltstone and argillite, with beds of coarse- grained calcarenite, sandstone, limestone and dolomite locally as well as stromatolites and “molar tooth” calcite	Moderate	Good for most uses unless pervasive dissolution is present	Usually exposed on cliffs; rockfall potential high	Stromatolites are common in this unit	None	“Molar tooth” calcite crystals, and pyrite	However dissolution is present, karst may be an issue	Pyrite present locally	Vugs on cliffs may provide bird nest habitat	Good for all uses	Type section near Shepard Glacier; Precambrian sedimentary rock with stromatolites	Usually exposed at high elevation
MP		Purcell Lava (Ypl)	Sequence of mafic lava flows forms a marker bed 77- 15 m (253- 50 ft) thick; fine- grained, vesicular bluish- gray to greenish- gray altered basalt; subaqueous pillow structures and vent facies alternate with surface (pahoehoe) flows	Moderate	Exposure limited; if altered volcanic clay is present, may be unstable for construction	Rough surface; locally could pose walking hazard	None	None	Chlorite vesicular filling	None	None documented	None documented	Rough surface for trails; good for all uses	Precambrian lava flows and sedimentary rock; type section locally at Mt. Snowlip	Only locally exposed
MP		Snowlip Formation (Ysl)	Ranges from 37.2 m to 416.5 m (122- 1366 ft) thick; contains terrigenous green and red argillite, dolomite argillite and muddy sandstone; some calcareous siltstone and arenite locally; mud breccia occurs in some lower beds; some beds contain calcite and dolomite cement; stromatolite beds common; beds are thin to thick, with prevalent fine upward sequences; contains the Purcell Lava	Moderate	Only in layers where calcite or dolomite cement is present; if dissolved out, rock is friable and weak	Potential rockfall hazards in cirques and cliffs	Stromatolites common in some beds	None	None	Not enough carbonate present					

West	East	Unit Name (Symbol)	Features and Description	Erosion Resistance	Suitability for Development	Hazards	Potential Paleontologic Resources	Potential Cultural Resources
QUATERNARY		Glacial and Alluvial Sediments (Qal, Qc, Qls, Qg, Qtr, Qor, Qac, Qrg, Qta, Qso, Qtr, Qtz, Qrg, Qes, Qrj, Qat, Qtdi)	Unconsolidated surface deposits 0 - 50 m (0- 164 ft) thick; includes alluvium, alluvial fill, colluvium, landslide deposits, terrace gravel, glacial till and outwash deposits; till is jumbled assortment of subrounded to subangular bouldery rubble combined with sand, silt and clay; landslides are large slumps, block slides and earth flows; colluvium is comprised of unsorted, angular gravel- size clasts in a sand- silt- clay rich matrix with small pockets of till, talus, rock- avalanche and debris flow deposits; alluvium consists of sand and gravel deposits as well as channel and overbank deposits of silt and sand	Very low	Unconsolidated material underlies most valleys of the park where buildings already exist and may heave with frost or extreme moisture	Slump and slide potential high	None	Possible camp sites preserved and other Native American artifacts
TERTIARY		Kishenehn Formation (Tku, Tkp, Tkcc)	Unit is more than 610 m (2000 ft) thick; contains layered gravel, sand, mud, volcanic ash, limestone, and coal; appears pale gray and tan in outcrop, with poor cementation; interlayered sandstone, mudstone and conglomerate; most pebbles are from Belt Supergroup rocks, some up to 2.5 m (8.2 ft) in diameter; oil shale, coal, marlstone, litharenite, lignite and tuff beds are locally present	Low	Altered volcanic clays and poorly cemented rock layers render this unit rather unstable for development, especially for roads and structure foundations	Slump, slide and rockfall potential high if slope is present	Abundant petrified wood (Dawn redwood), fossil gastropods, mammals and palynomorphs, fish, insects and mollusks; leaves of <i>Macginitiea augustiloba</i>	Possible camp sites preserved
MP	MID PROTEROZOIC (MP)	McNamara Formation (Ym)	Exposed locally at GLAC, unit is 61 m (200 ft) thick near Mt. Shields; contains grayish- green siltstone and argillite with fining upward sequences common; some local beds of calcareous siltstone and arenite	Moderate	Locally exposed in park; suitable for all development unless highly fractured	Rockfall potential in steeper terrain	None	None
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		Shenandoah	Ranges from 472- 168 m (1550- 550 ft) thick in GLAC; yellowish,		Good for most uses	Usually exposed on	Stromatolites are	

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MP	MID PROTEROZOIC (MP)	McNamara Formation (Ym)	Exposed locally at GLAC, unit is 61 m (200 ft) thick near Mt. Shields; contains grayish- green siltstone and argillite with fining upward sequences common; some local beds of calcareous siltstone and arenite	None documented	None documented	Good for all uses	Precambrian sedimentary rock	Only locally exposed
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		Shepard	Ranges from 472- 168 m (1550- 550 ft) thick in GLAC; yellowish,		Vugs on cliffs		Type section near Shepard Glacier	Usually



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## Status of National Park Service Digital Geologic Mapping

U.S. Department of the Interior



**Digital Geologic Map Status for National Park Service Units**

**Small Parks**

- Complete
- In-progress
- Waiting on Partner Support
- Not Started
- Not an Inventory Park

**Large Parks**

- Complete
- In-progress
- Waiting on Partner Support
- Not Started
- Not an Inventory Park

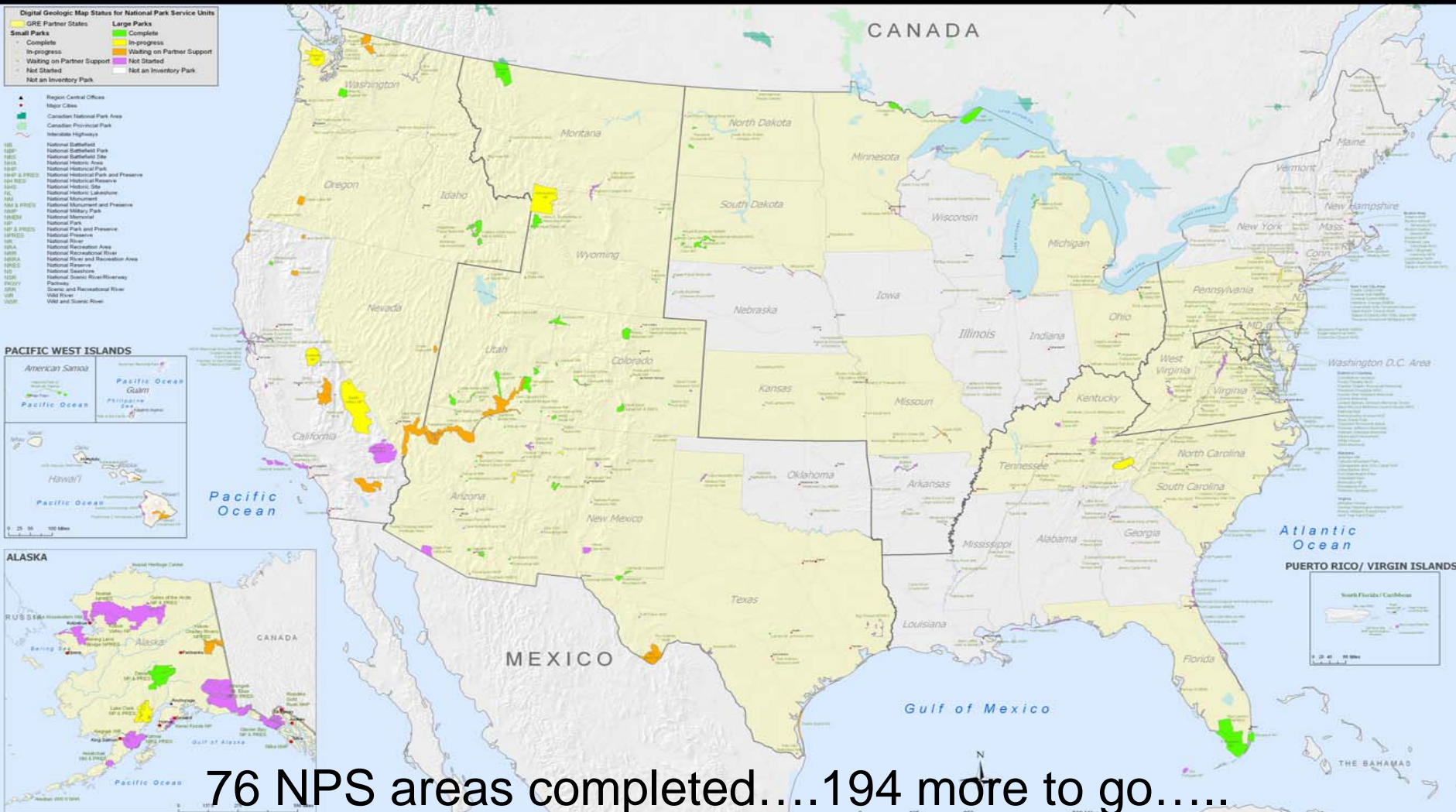
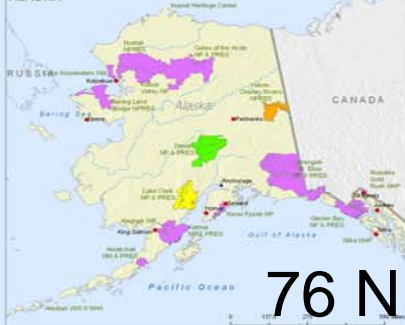
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- Region Central Office
- Major Cities
- Canadian National Park Area
- Canadian Provincial Park
- Interstate Highways
- National Battlefield
- National Battlefield Park
- National Battlefield Site
- National Historic Area
- National Historical Park
- National Historical Park and Preserve
- National Historical Reserve
- National Historic Site
- National Historic Landmark
- National Monument and Preserve
- National Military Park
- National Memorial
- National Park
- National Park and Preserve
- National Preserve
- National River
- National Recreation Area
- National River and Recreation Area
- National Reserve
- National Seashore
- National Scenic Riverway
- Phosphate
- Scenic and Recreational River
- Wild River
- Wild and Scenic River

### PACIFIC WEST ISLANDS



### ALASKA



76 NPS areas completed....194 more to go.....

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## How to get completed NPS digital geologic maps

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NR/GIS Metadata: Search Results - Mozilla Firefox

http://science.nature.nps.gov/nrdata/quickoutput2.cfm?UnitSearch=&Action=Search&nps\_quicksearch=%2B

### NR-GIS Metadata and Data Store

NPS Natural Resource and GIS Programs

Application Home >> Login

Search

Select Search Type:

- Online Data
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METADATA PURPOSE: ONLINE DATA

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CATEGORY: GEOLOGY

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Natural Resource Inventory & Monitoring Program: Official Inventory(I) or Monitoring(M) Records

DATASET CITATION TITLE	TIME PERIOD	DATA (network)
Digital Geologic Map of Denali National Park and Preserve, Alaska and its vicinity (NPS, GRD, GRE, DENA)	20051001	DNLIGRE.ZIP DNLIGRS.ZIP
Digital Geologic Map of the Fairbanks 1 degree by 3 degree Quadrangle, Alaska (NPS, GRD, GRE, DENA)	20051001	FBNGRE.ZIP FBNGRS.ZIP
Digital Geologic Map of the Healy B-4 Quadrangle, Alaska (NPS, GRD, GRE, DENA)	20051001	HDB4GRE.ZIP HDB4GRS.ZIP
Digital Geologic Map of the Healy C-4 Quadrangle, Alaska (NPS, GRD, GRE, DENA)	20051001	HDC4GRE.ZIP HDC4GRS.ZIP
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Digital Geologic Map of the Healy D-5 Quadrangle, Alaska (NPS, GRD, GRE, DENA)	20051001	HDD5GRE.ZIP HDD5GRS.ZIP
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Glaciers in Denali National Park and Preserve at 1:63,360	01/01/1940	12/31/1999 GLAC_DE.ZIP
Glaciers, 1 to 1,000,000	/1991	GLCR1MIL.ZIP
Glaciers, 1 to 2,000,000	/1982	GLCR2MIL.ZIP
Late Wisconsin Glaciers, Alaska PaleoGlacier Atlas	08/08/2002	AK_PALEOGLACIER_ATLAS
Linear Moraine Features from the Surficial Geology Map of Alaska	02/14/1999	MORAINES.ZIP
Maximum Pleistocene Glacier Extents, Alaska PaleoGlacier Atlas	08/08/2002	AK_PALEOGLACIER_ATLAS

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**Specific GRE methods for determining  
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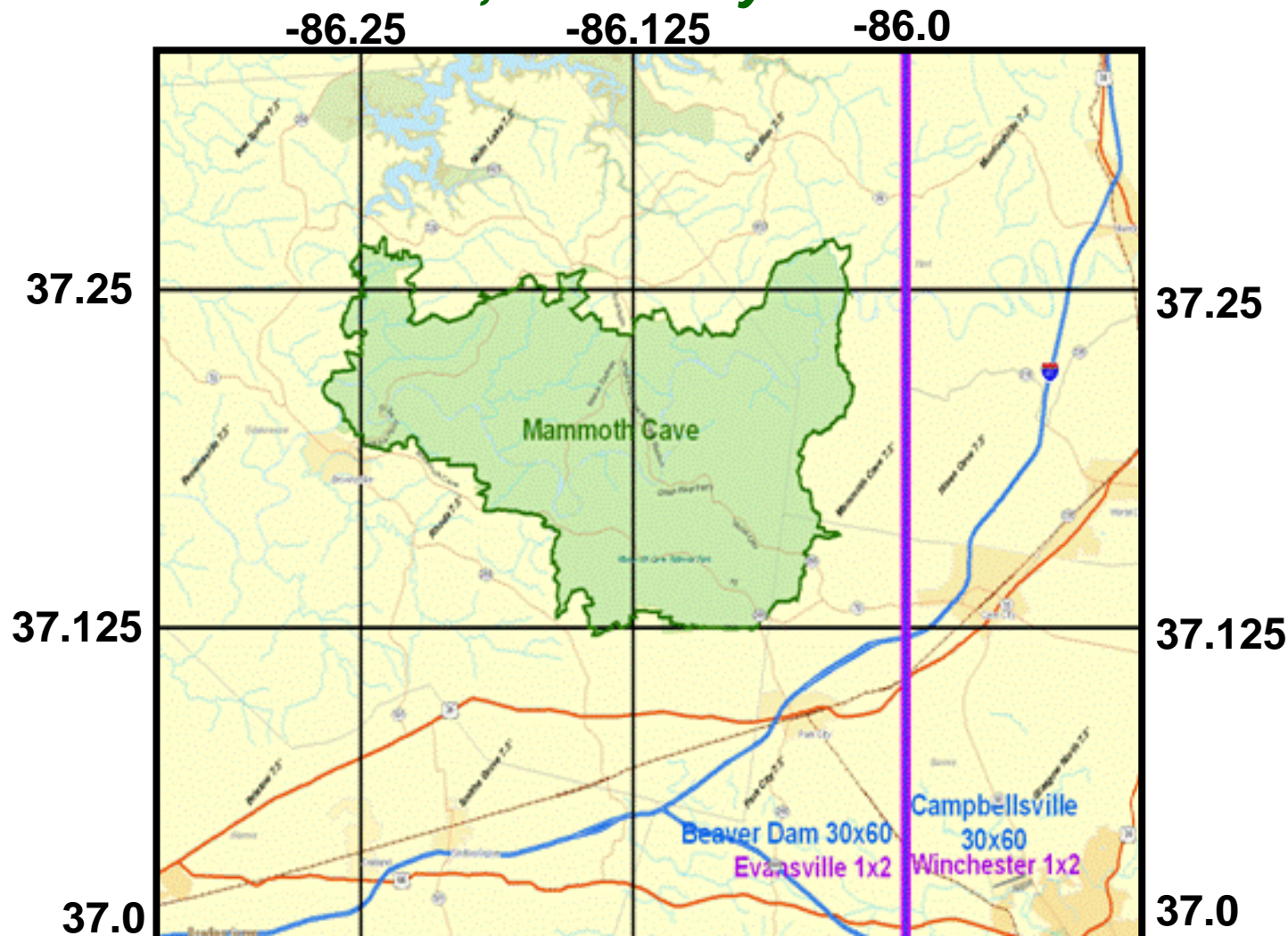
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Getting Digital Geologic Maps for NPS areas:

## *Mammoth Cave NP, Kentucky*

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Search NPS “Quadrangles of Interest” database to determine maximum extent of interest

Maximum bounding  
coordinates for USGS  
database

NETWORK: Cumberland / Piedmont NPS4: MACA CLUSTE: Appalachian Folde: yes Upper Left: 37.5,-86.625  
 REGION: Southeast Region PARK: Mammoth Cave NP Multiple Park: no Inventor: Yes Lower Right: 36.75,-85.625  
 STATE: KY RANP: 17 Whick Park: Mornitorin: yes  
 GRE scooped? proposed 2006 Date: 2006-06xx Digital Geologic Map Status: Not Started FY 2006  
 GRE report status assigned to #Name? awaiting data from: GRI

QUICK STATUS | Scooping | Meeting Attendees | Quads Of Interest | All maps | GRE Digitized Maps | Reports | Text of Scooping Summary | Funded | the "Plan"

Direct Matches of 24,000 scale geologic map with Quadrangles of Interest

USGS Name	USE ?	NPS4	gmap_id	code	gri_YN	paper	digital	gmap_ref
Cub Run	yes	MACA	74435	curu			yes	Toth, K.S., 2002, Spatial database of the Cub Run quadrangle, Kentucky, 137, Digitally Vectorized Geological Quadrangle DVGQ-386, 1:24000 scale
Cub Run	yes	MACA	1158	curu	maybe	yes	yes	Sandberg, C.A. and Bowles, C.G., 1965, Geology of the Cub Run quadrangle, Kentucky, , Geologic Quadrangle Map GQ-386, 1:24000 scale
Nolin Lake	yes	MACA	1162	nola	maybe	yes	yes	Gildersleeve, Benjamin, 1971, Geologic map of the Nolin Reservoir quadrangle, western Kentucky, U.S. Geological Survey, GQ-895, 1:24000 scale
Nolin Lake	yes	MACA	74436	nola			yes	Toth, K.S., 2002, Spatial database of the Nolin Reservoir quadrangle, western Kentucky, 137, Digitally Vectorized Geological Quadrangle DVGQ-386, 1:24000 scale
Bee Spring	yes	MACA	1156	besp	maybe	yes	yes	Gildersleeve, Benjamin, 1968, Geologic map of the Bee Spring quadrangle, Edmonson and Grayson Counties, Kentucky, U.S. Geological Survey, GQ-757, 1:24000 scale
Bee Spring	yes	MACA	74437	besp				Mullins, J.E., 2002, Spatial database of the Bee Spring quadrangle, Edmonson and Grayson

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7.5' USGS Topographic Quadrangles of Interest

NPS4	USGS_NAME	state	ymin	xmin	ymax	xmax	USGS_QD_ID
MACA	Mammoth Cave	KY	37.25	-85.875	37.375	-86	
MACA	Cub Run	KY	37.25	-86	37.375	-86.125	
MACA	Nolin Lake	KY	37.25	-86.125	37.375	-86.25	
MACA	Bee Spring	KY	37.25	-86.25	37.375	-86.375	
MACA	Ready	KY	37.25	-86.375	37.375	-86.5	
MACA	Welchs Creek	KY	37.25	-86.5	37.375	-86.625	
MACA	Center	KY	37.125	-85.625	37.25	-85.75	
MACA	Park	KY					
MACA	Horse Cave	KY					
MACA	Mammoth Cave	KY					
MACA	Rhoda	KY					
MACA	Brownsville	KY					
MACA	Reedysville	KY					
MACA	Riverside	KY	37.125	-86.5	37.25	-86.625	
MACA	Sulphur Well	KY	37	-85.625	37.125	-85.75	
MACA	Hiseville	KY	37	-85.75	37.125	-85.875	
MACA	Glasgow North	KY	37	-85.875	37.125	-86	
MACA	Red City	KY	37	-86	37.125	-86.125	

Reveals "QOI's"

Status of digital geologic map: E

File Location (web or local): #Name?

Upper Left: 37.5,-86.625

Lower Right



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Search USGS on-line geologic maps database for known maps for Mammoth Cave NP, Kentucky

Browse to USGS site

**National Geologic Map Database**  
COMPREHENSIVE SEARCH  
for geologic and other geoscience maps

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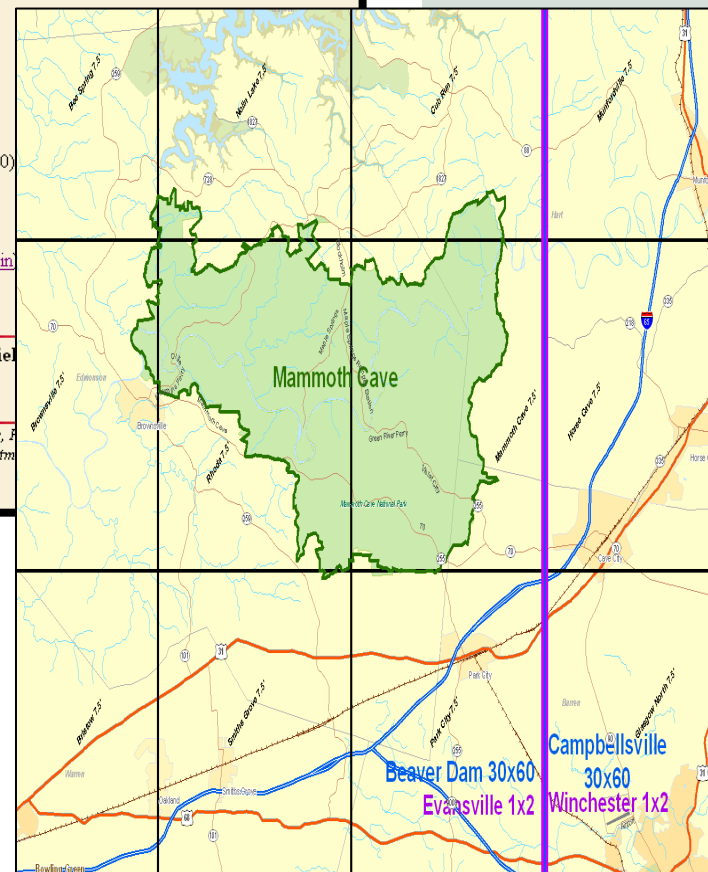
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## Derive geologic index maps for the entire US from NPS geologic maps database

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2. *Review of all 1:24,000 scale (7.5' quad-based)*
3. *Review of all 1:100,000 scale (30' x 60' quad-based)*
4. *Review of all maps with “national” in title as specific park-dedicated maps*
5. *Review of remaining “holes” in coverage of NPS areas*

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From here they can be split into various views by:

- **scale** (24-, 100-, 250-k etc.)
- **“base”**: quadrangle or non-quadrangle based; county; state-wide, wilderness, etc.
- **map “type”** (geologic, surficial, mineral, hazard, aeromagnetic, reconnaissance, etc.)
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1941	yes	24000	quadrangle (7.5'); 24k lower 48	hazard: earthquake	Revised official map of Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Hazard Zones, NE 1/4 Big Pine Quadrangle	California Division c	Spec
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986	yes	36360	basin	geologic	Geology, physical properties, and surfacae effects at Discuss Thrower site, Yucca Flat, Nevada Test Site	Carr, W.J.; Miller, C.	OF-7
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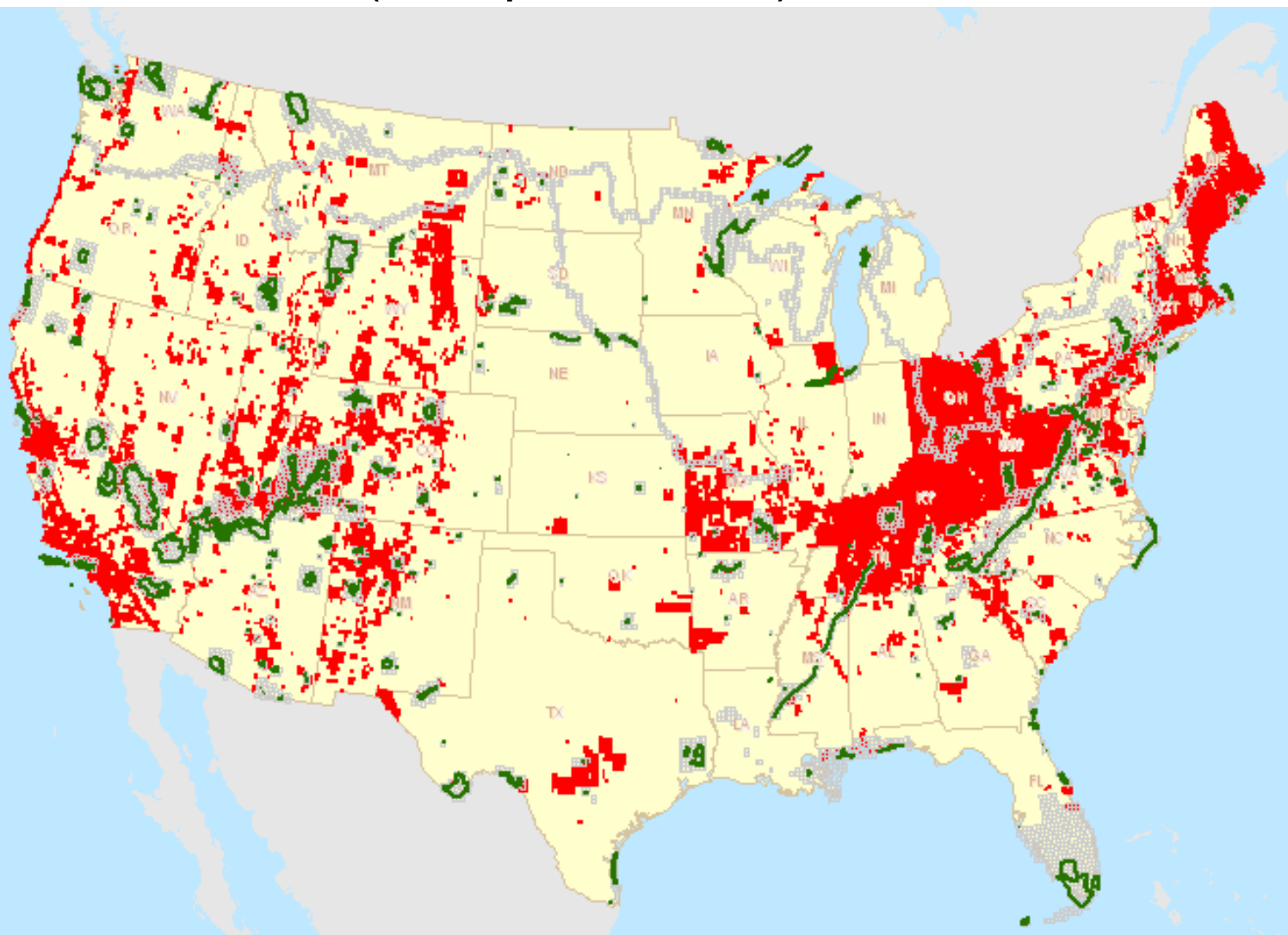


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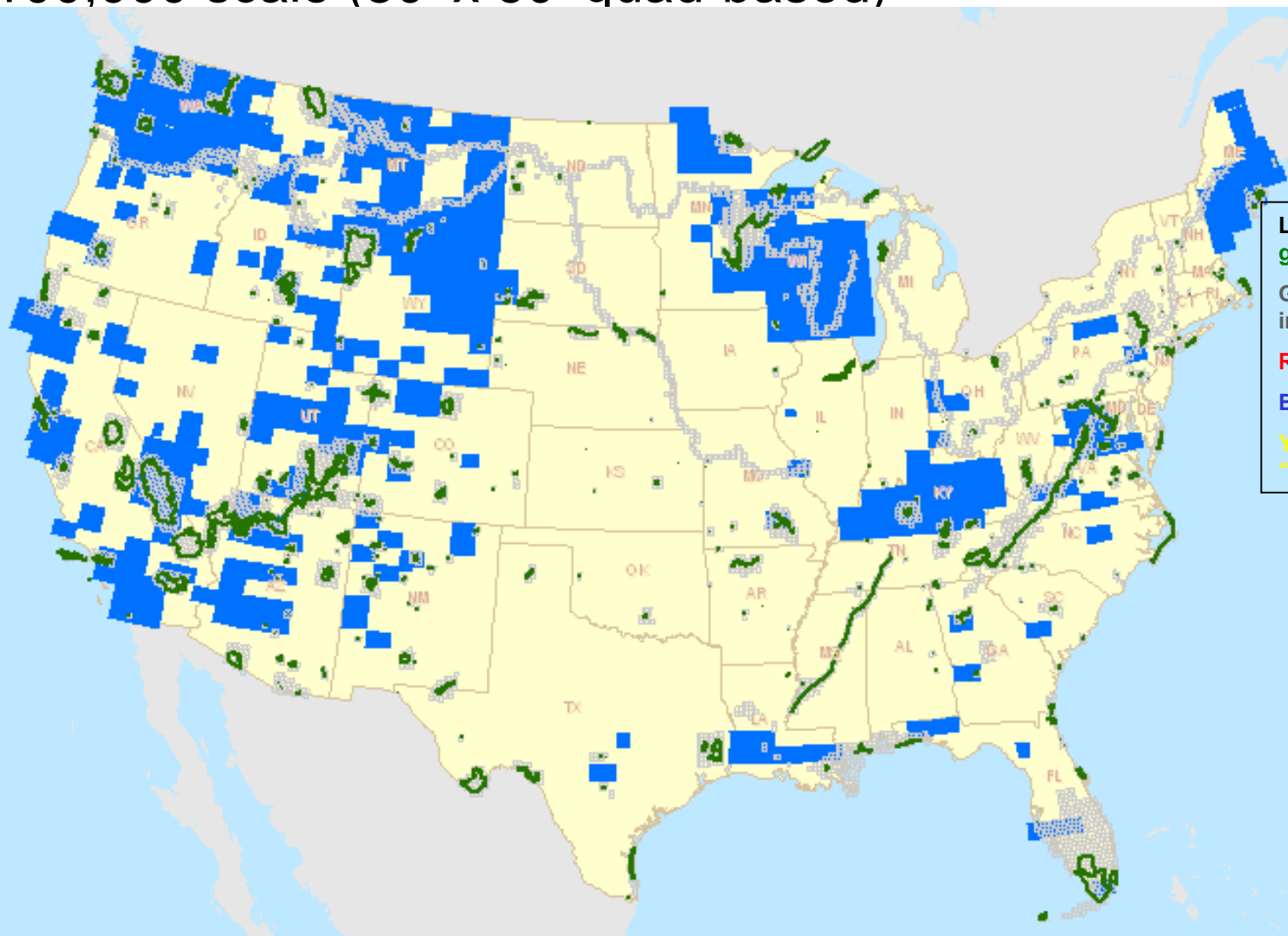
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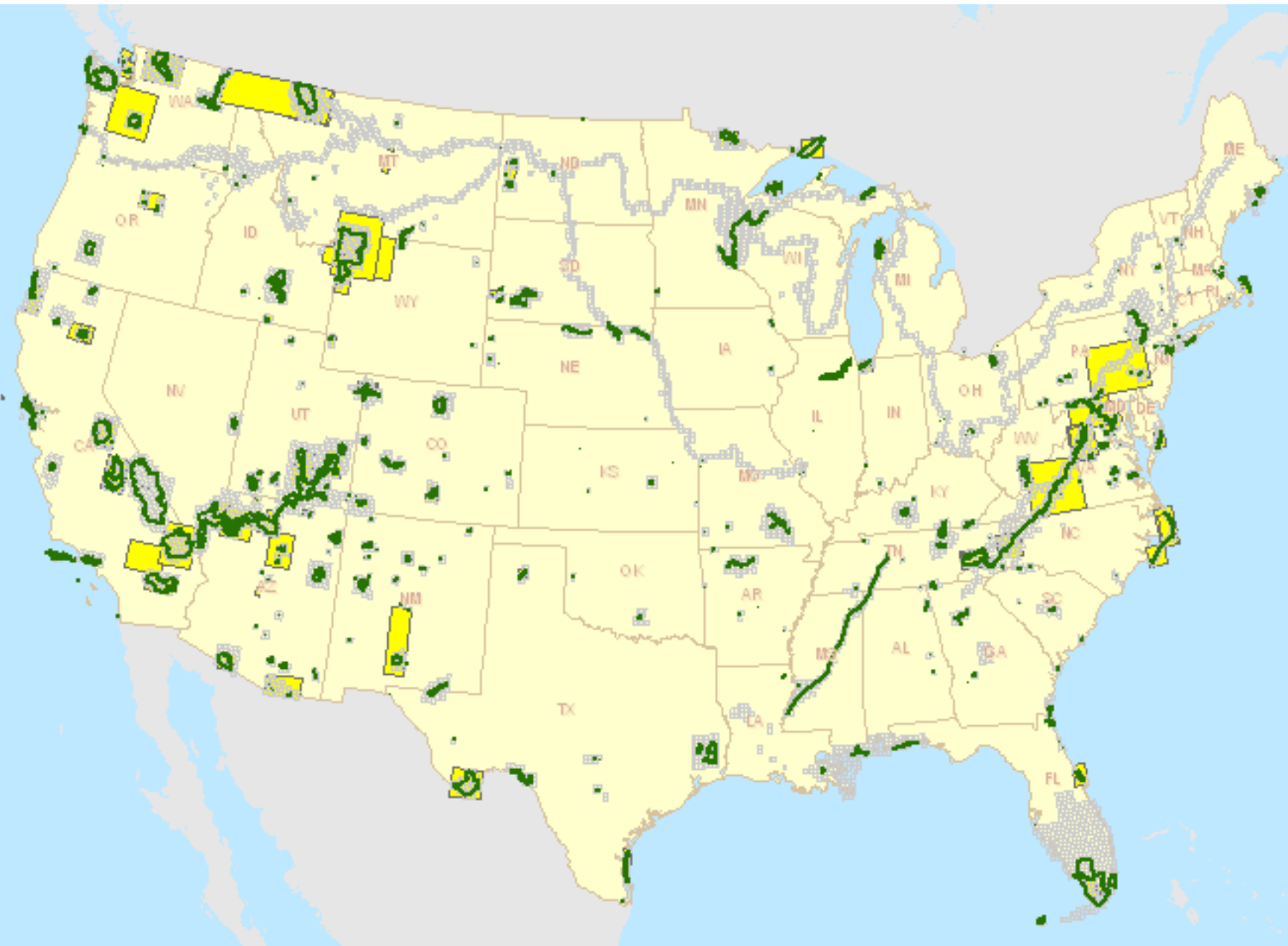


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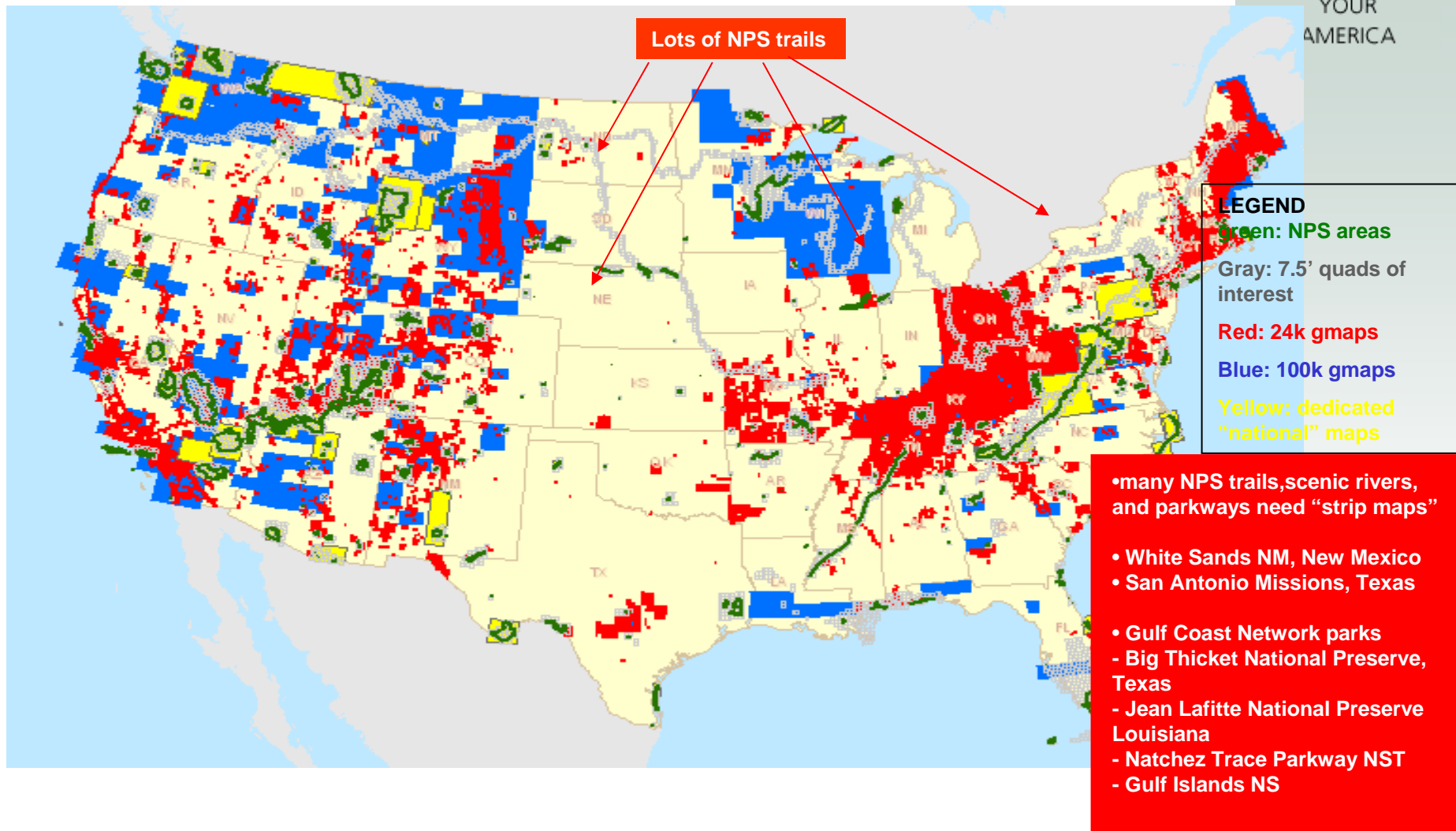
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## Finding and filling in the holes in the lower 48

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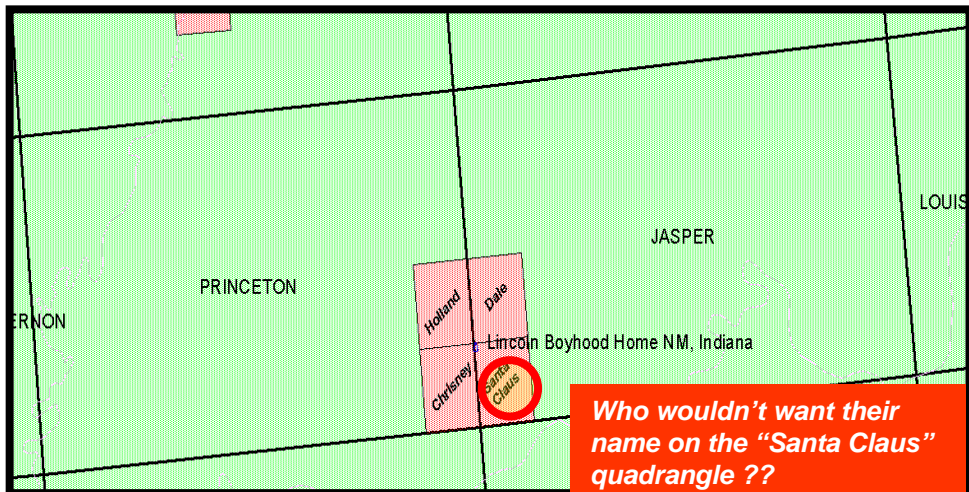
- Reconcile opinions as to the “best” map to use when faced with multiple published maps. (remember the number one rule of geologists: “5 geologists in a room will give 6 differing opinions” !)
- End practice of redundant mapping of same area; instead focus efforts on unmapped and/or inadequately mapped areas [e.g., need scales suitable (>100,000 at least) for managing resources].
- Create an incentive for mappers to work in /ess glamorous NPS areas...
- .....**Of course, they are ALL glamorous !**

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## Lincoln Boyhood Home NM, Indiana has 4 unmapped QOI's



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**Not a quad map and not really "geologic" either; it's "water"**

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Indiana

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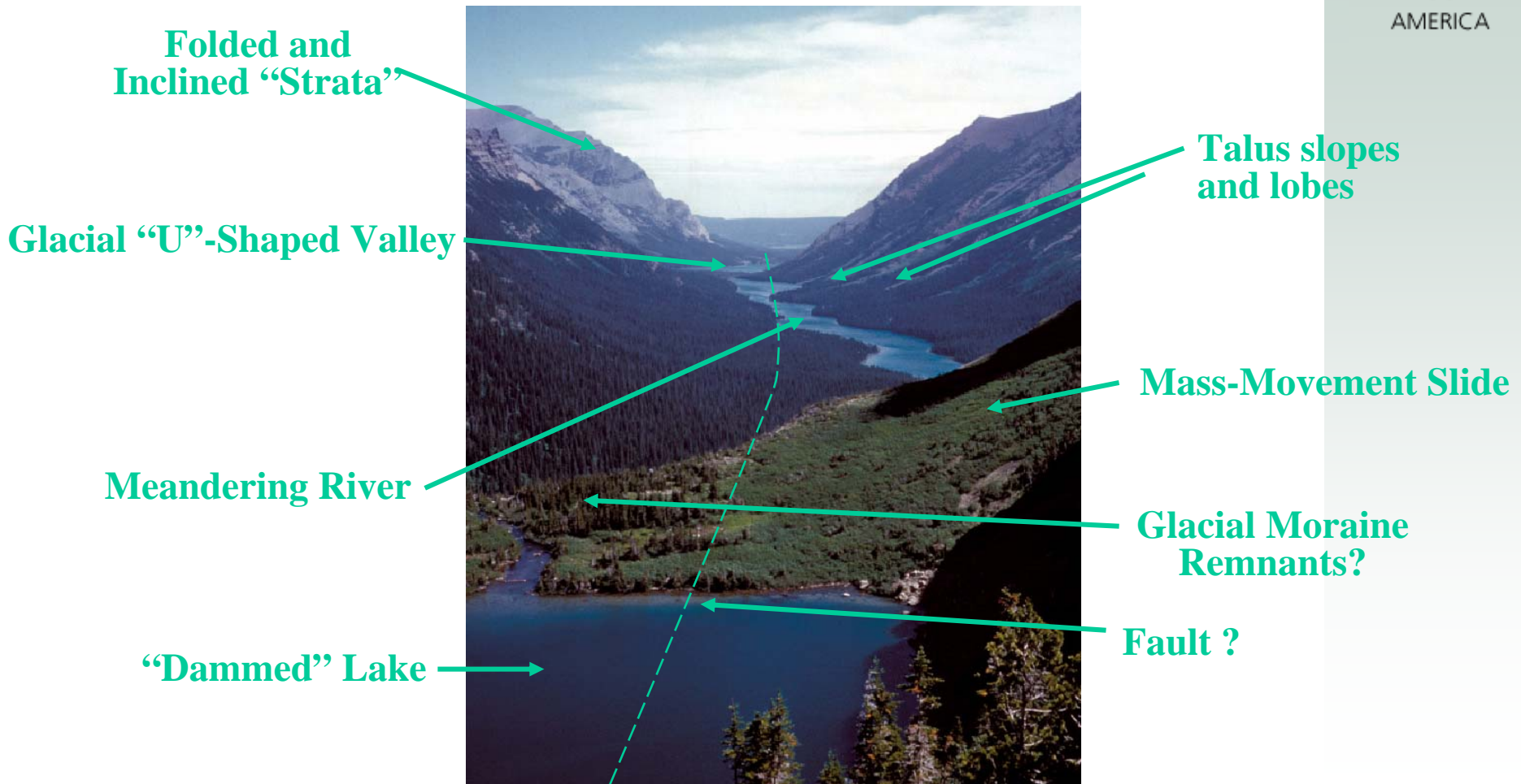
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What the “geologist” person sees at Glacier NP, Montana



Why be average ?



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## Connecting geology with your audience and other disciplines

We are always looking for more geologic maps and cooperative projects with the USGS, state geologic surveys, academic institutions (CESU's) etc. as well as real world uses of these geologic maps. If you have suggestions, please see me sometime during the meeting.

In the NPS, most resource managers tend not to have geologic backgrounds and it is incumbent on the GRE team to demonstrate the utility of our discipline.

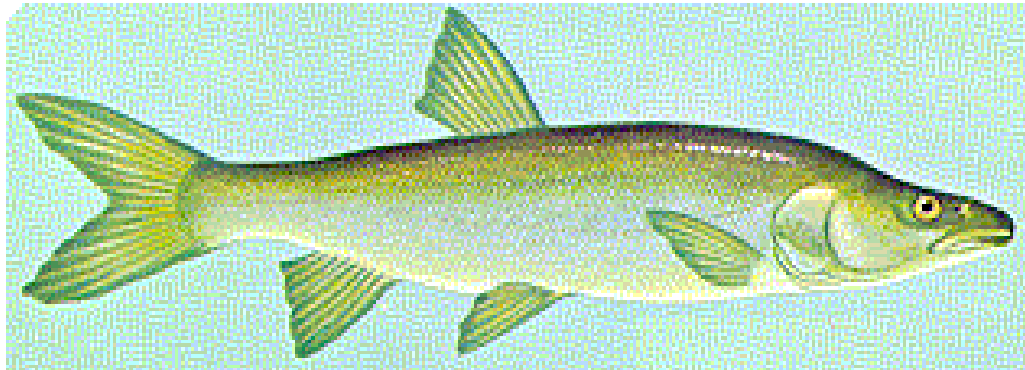
We have come up with a few examples....

## Dinosaur NM example

Critical spawning habitat may be controlled by the underlying geologic “structure”

**Endangered Colorado Pike Minnow; aka.**

***Colorado Squawfish (Ptychocheilus lucius).***



**See <http://www.cpluhna.nau.edu/Biota/fishes.htm>  
for more specifics**



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## Dinosaur NM example

Where rivers (Green and Yampa) cross upturned geologic strata (*via folding and faulting*), riffles are formed providing pike minnow spawning grounds....enter the digital geologic map...

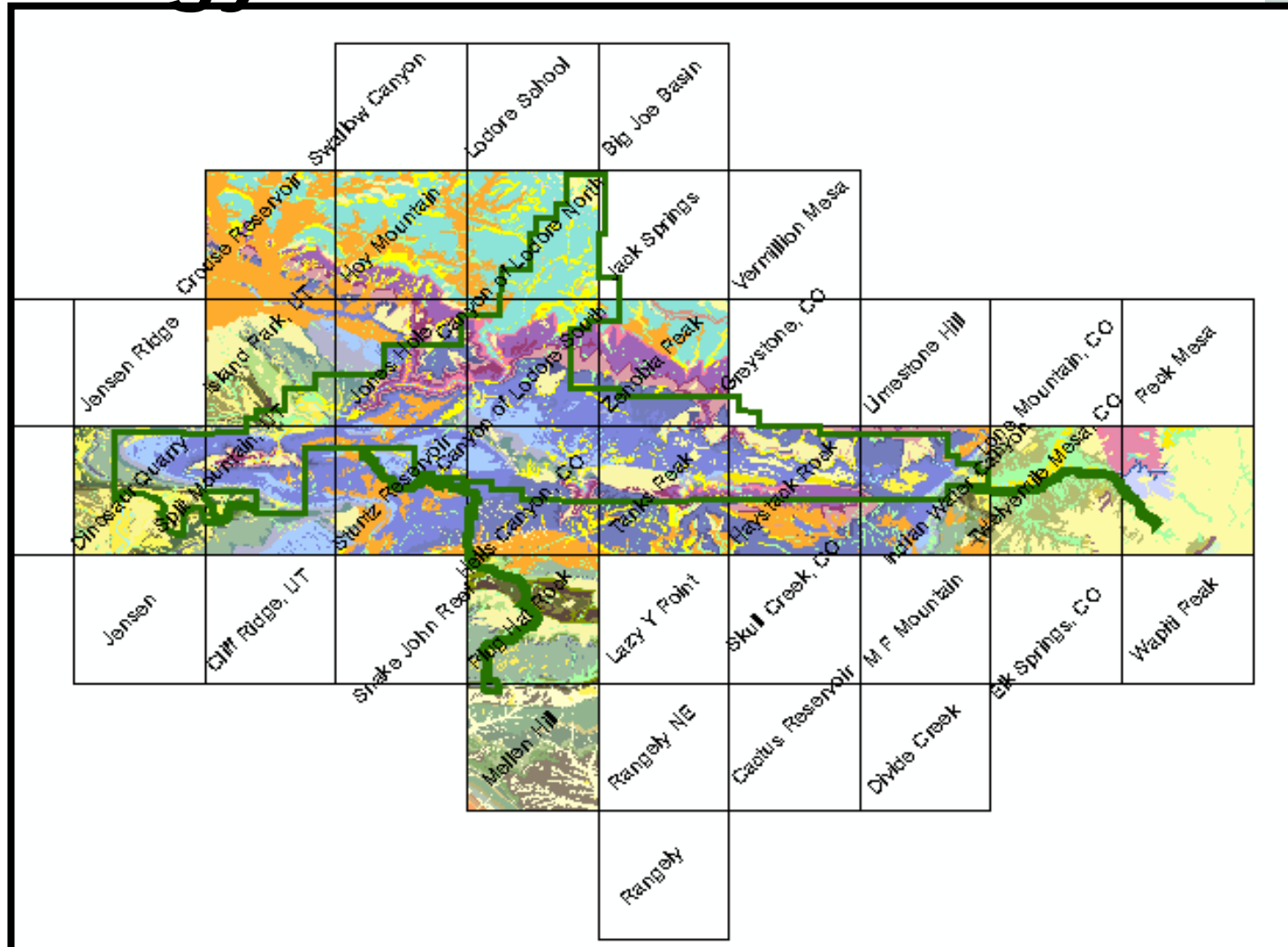


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## Geology of Dinosaur NM

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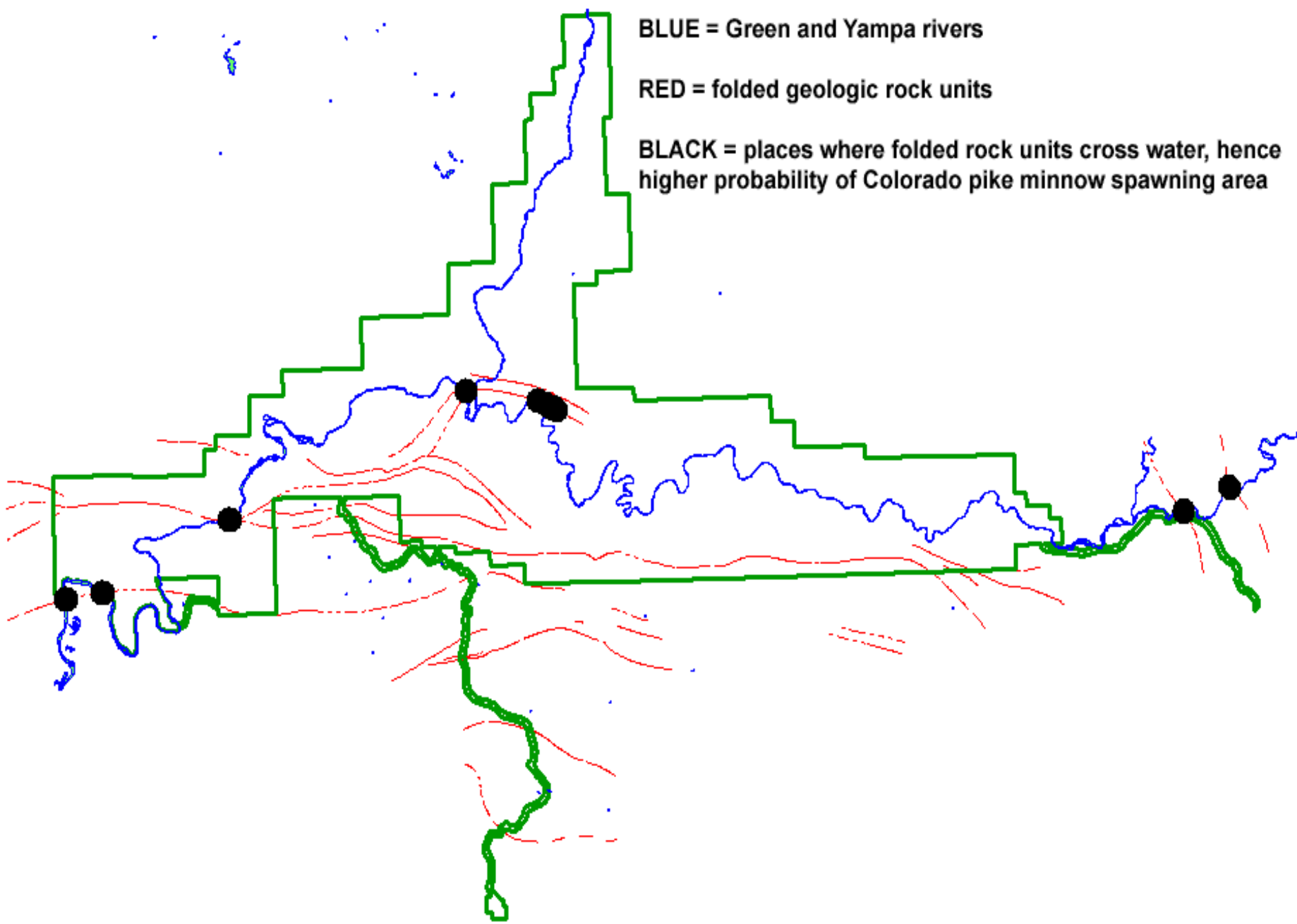


**GREEN = Dinosaur NM boundary**

**BLUE = Green and Yampa rivers**

**RED = folded geologic rock units**

**BLACK = places where folded rock units cross water, hence higher probability of Colorado pike minnow spawning area**





## Capitol Reef NP example



### **Distribution of endangered Winkler's Cactus**

**In Capitol Reef, it grows  
only on the Morrison  
Formation and its detritus**

**north, on the Curtis; and  
south, on the Dakota**

***source: Tom Clark, Chief of Natural  
Resources, Capitol Reef NP***



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## Capitol Reef NP example

Cactus distribution constrained to Morrison Formation  
Geologic materials (bedrock, surficial, soil derived from)



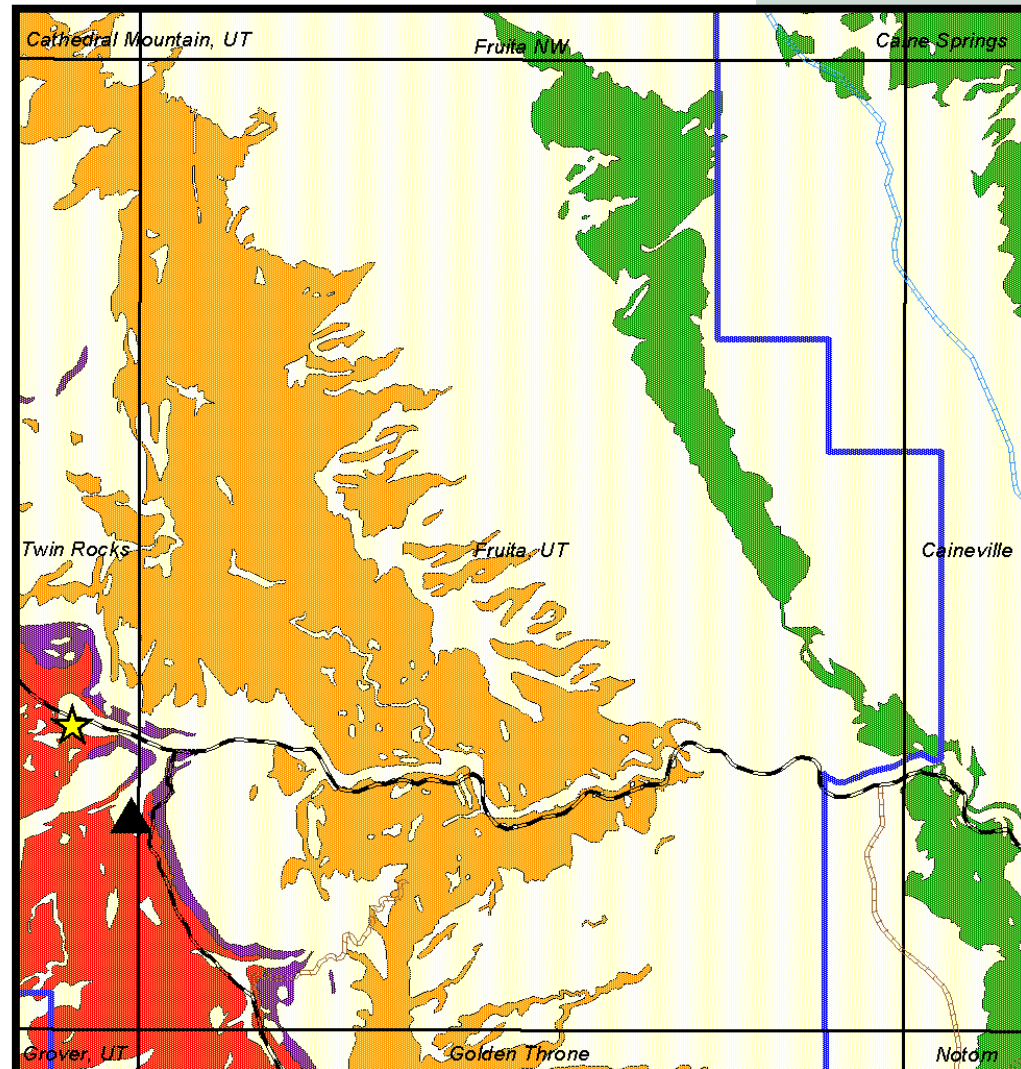
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## Other Capitol Reef NP examples: Fruita area

- **Moenkopi:** Barneby reed mustard
- **Chinle:** Jones cyclidia
- **Navajo:** Becks spring parsley, Maguires daisy, rabbit valley gilia, Harrison's milkvetch
- **Morrison:** Winkler's cactus





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## Colorado NM example

Valley-fill deposits (“Qvf”) can be used to determine a region’s fire history

**Colorado National Monument Geologic Database**

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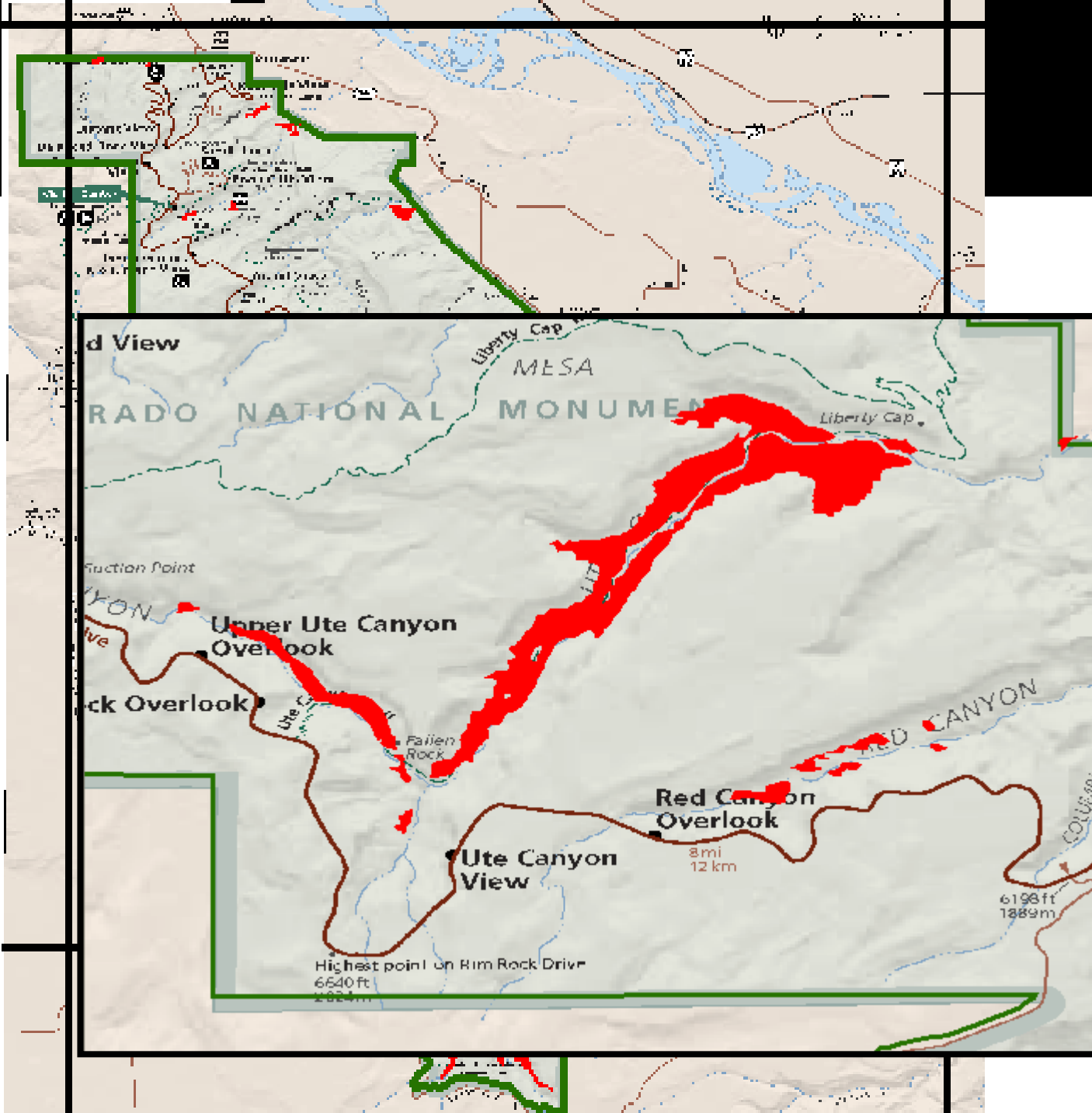
### Qvf - Valley-fill deposits (Holocene and late Pleistocene)

Valley-fill deposit (Holocene and late Pleistocene)—Chiefly stream-terrace alluvium and probably sandy debris-flow deposits, but also locally includes stony colluvium on valley sides as well as minor deposits of eolian sand and sheetwash. The only exposure of the map unit exists in the southwestern part of the map area within the Colorado National Monument. In the adjacent Colorado National Monument 7.5' quadrangle, valley-fill deposits can be subdivided into a thicker bedded (>30 cm), slightly calcareous upper part and a thinner bedded (<30 cm), calcareous lower part (Scott and others, 2001). Both parts are largely composed of sand and silt that contain small, discontinuous lenses of gravel. Both parts locally contain several buried, weakly developed paleosols and common small (<2 mm) charcoal fragments. Some of these paleosols are darker than the rest of the map unit Qvf from the accumulation of organic matter, and contain abundant charcoal, presumably from burnt woody vegetation. Charcoal not associated with paleosols is concentrated at bedding breaks in the sediments, but charcoal also occurs within beds. Charcoal 14C laboratory values range from 1,280±50 to 9,190±50 years BP (before present, referenced at 1950) (Scott and others, 1999), and calibrated ages (Stuiver and others, 1998) range from 1,180 to 10,360 years BP. The discovery in No Thoroughfare Canyon of a mastodon tooth, which was probably eroded from the undated lowest part of the map unit, is consistent with a late Pleistocene age for the oldest part of the unit. The upper part of unit Qvf has beds that are typically 0.1–2 m thick, is generally reddish brown (5YR 5/4) to yellowish red (5YR 5/8), and contains minor charcoal fragments. The lower part typically has beds 5–50 cm thick, is yellow (2.5Y 7/6) to reddish yellow (7.5YR 6/6), and locally light olive brown (2.5Y 5/4), has iron oxide staining, and contains more charcoal fragments and fewer gravel lenses than the upper part. The lower part is weakly indurated, due in part to secondary calcium carbonate in a stage II Bk horizon. The gravel lenses in the lower part can be traced only a few meters at most, are about 2–5 cm thick, and consist chiefly of small granules and pebbles. Unit Qvf may be as much as 18 m thick in the map area. [MF-2363](#)





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## Opportunities for Integrating Geology with Land Management using GIS

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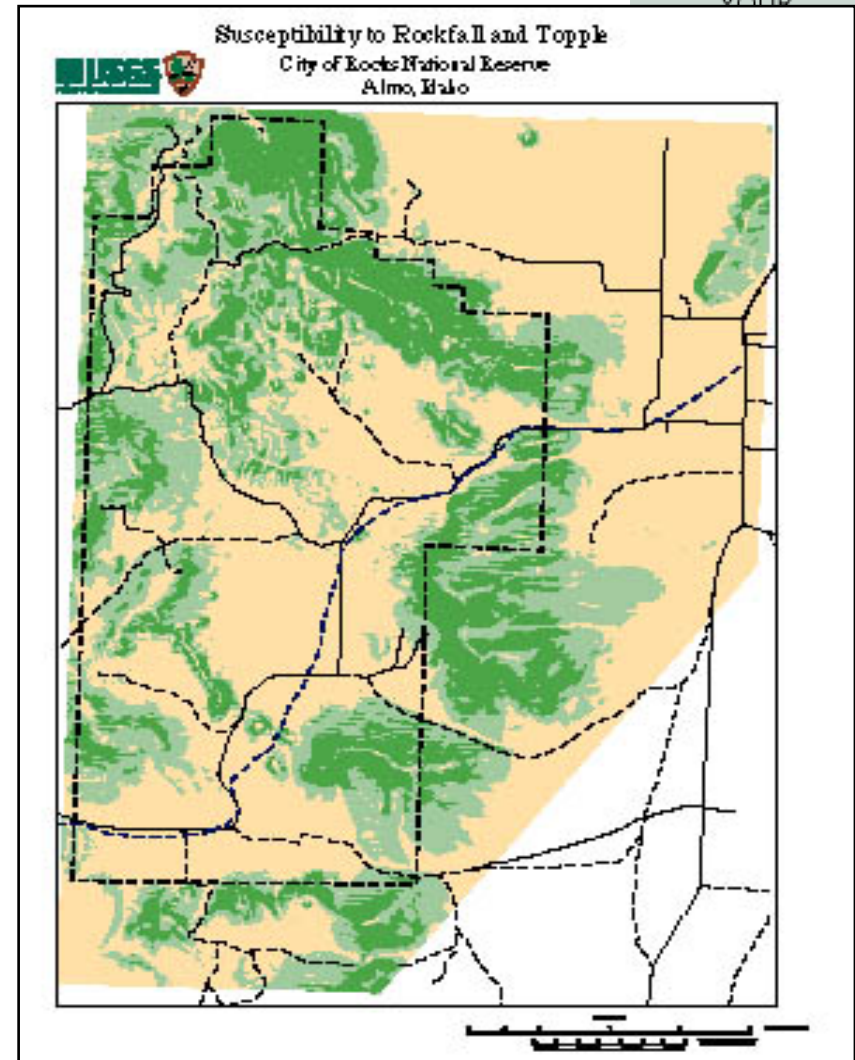
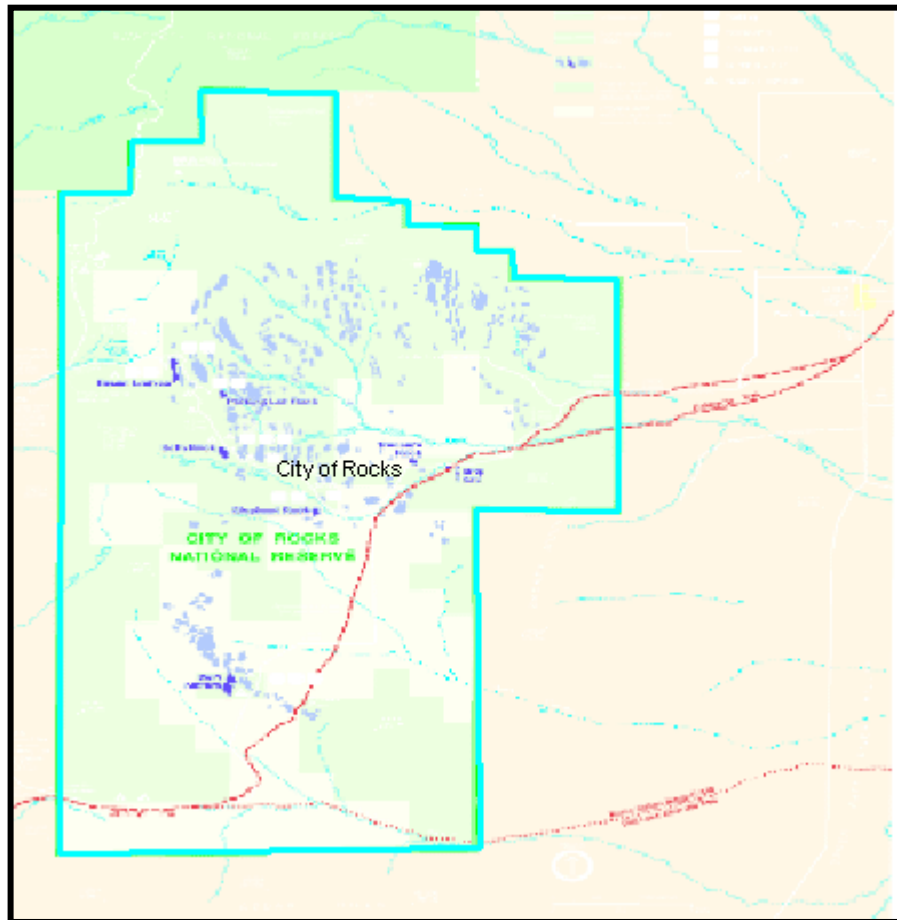
Combining the park's geology with other parameters can provide management with useful information for decision making

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## City of Rocks NR example



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## Zion NP Bad Example: “Rock”ville, Utah ~2001





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## Full extent of "Qmsy" in and around Zion NP

**Zion National Park Geologic Map Units**

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**Qmsy Younger undifferentiated mass-movement slide and slump deposits**

**Qmsy Younger undifferentiated mass-movement slide and slump deposits (Holocene to upper Pleistocene) --** Masses of rock and unconsolidated material that have undergone translational and/or rotational downslope movement; bedrock strata within the blocks are commonly tilted and shattered; individual blocks may be as much as several hundred feet long; slip surfaces commonly develop in the clays of the Petrified Forest Member of the Chinle Formation and in silt and clay units in the Kayenta Formation; similar in character and occurrence to Qmsh, but landslide features such as scarps and slide blocks are morphologically less distinct as the result of weathering and erosion; locally includes deposits with historical movement; probably formed mostly during wet climatic regimes in the Pleistocene, but continue to move near springs and other wet areas, and where undercut or oversteepened by stream erosion or human activity; vary greatly in thickness, but most are probably less than 50 feet (15 m) thick.

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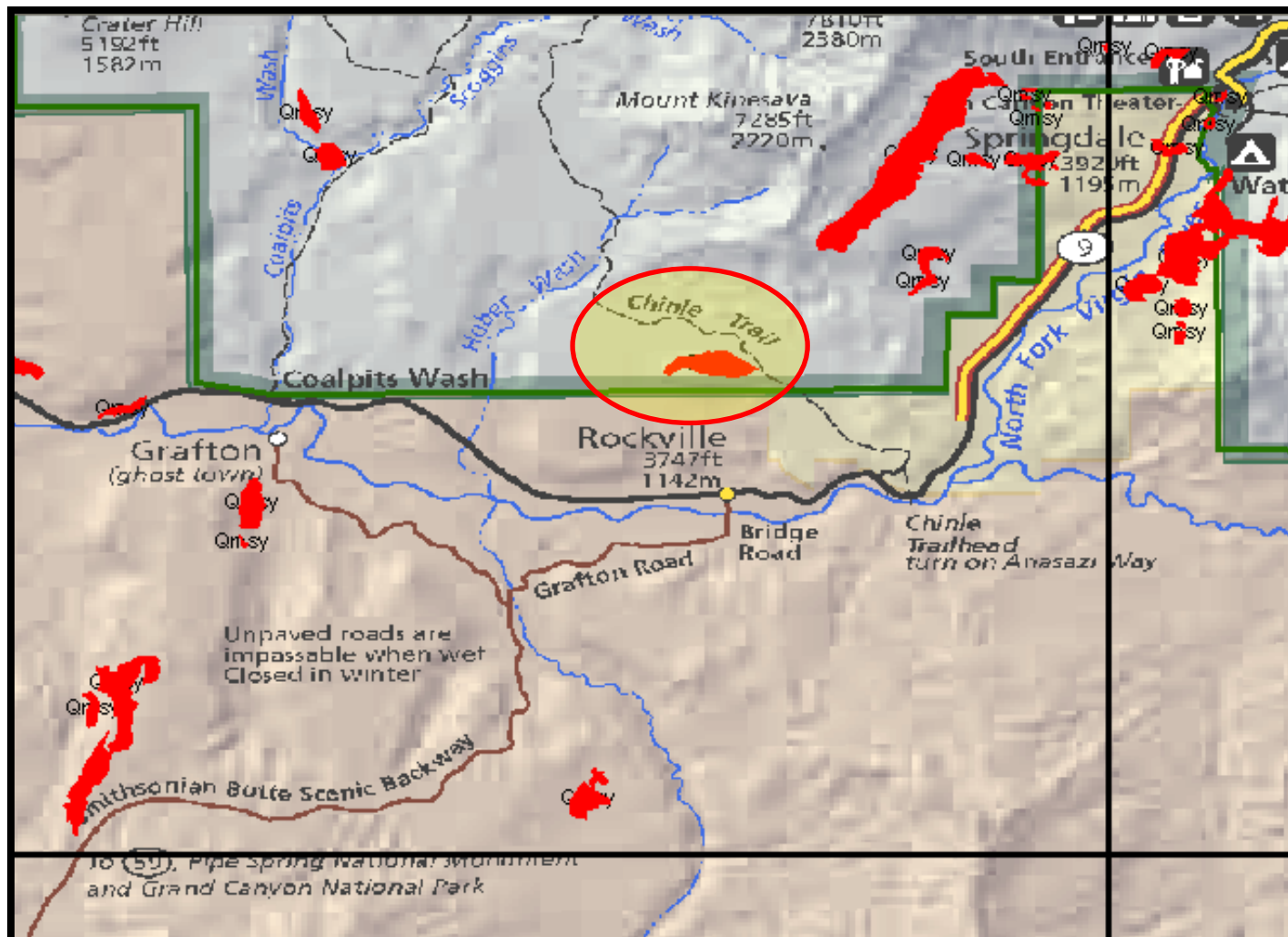


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Uh oh..."source" in Zion NP near "Chinle trail"



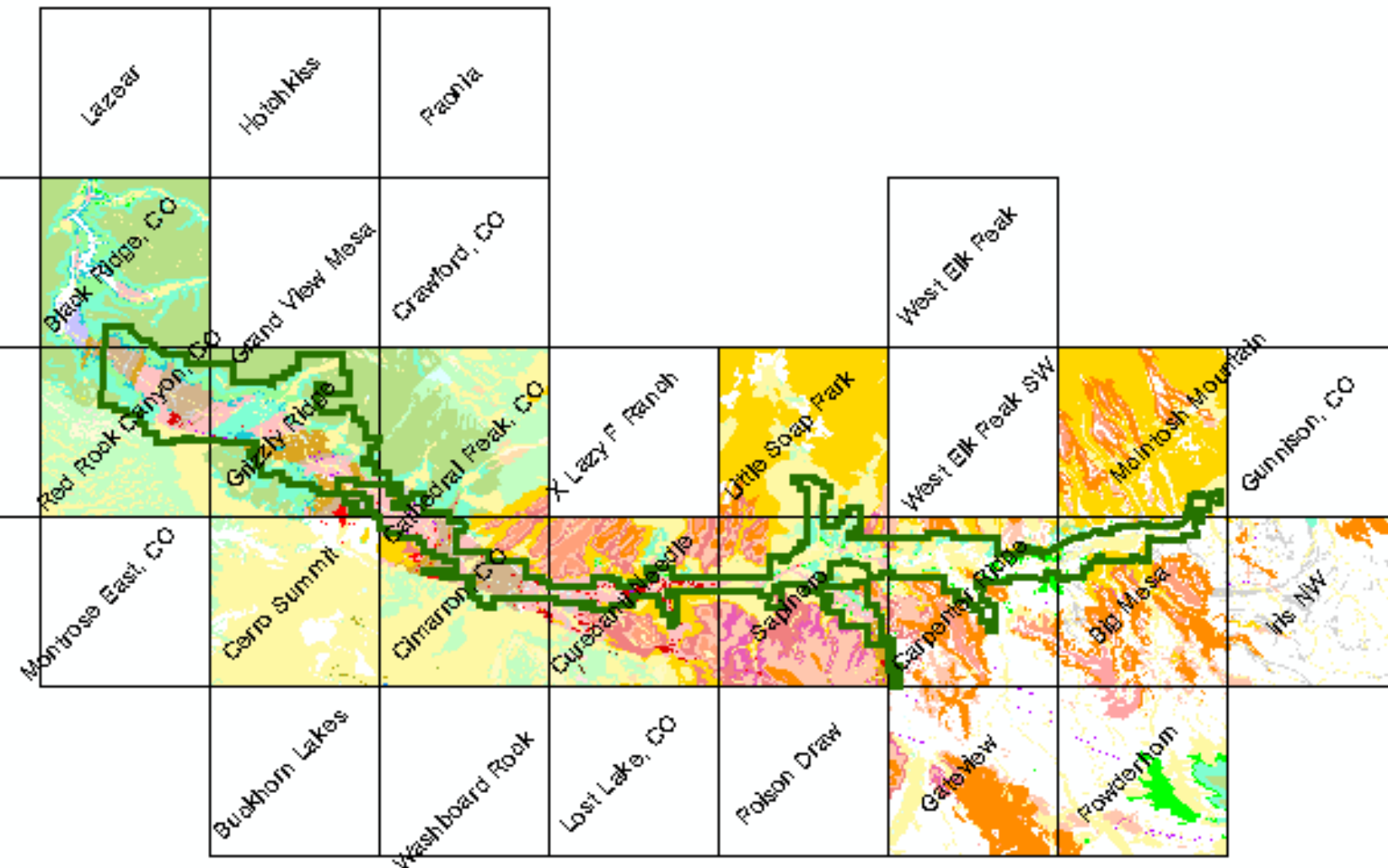


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## Paleontologic Resources: Curecanti NRA Expansion (??)

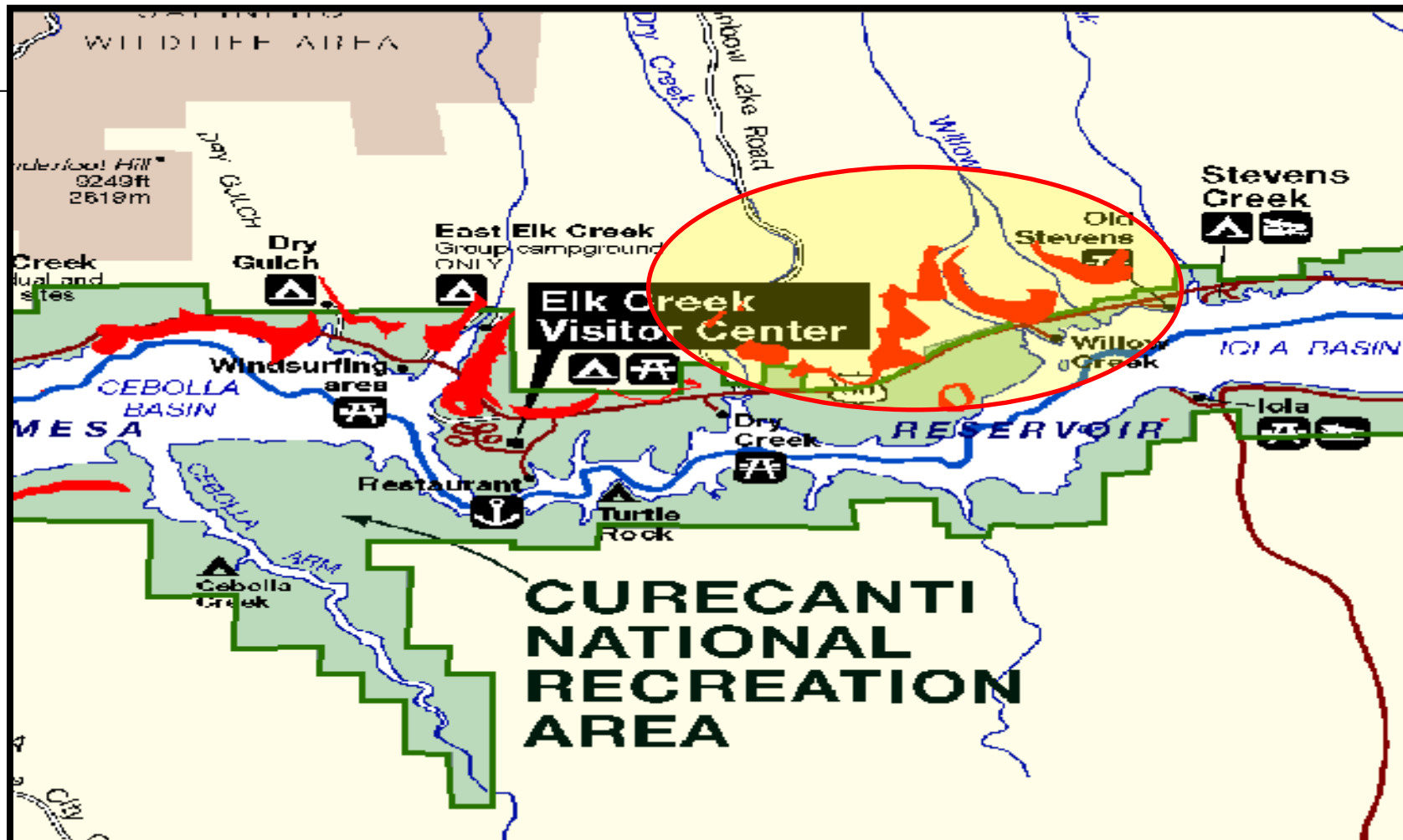


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## Jurassic Morrison formation occurrence

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## Status of National Park Service Digital Geologic Mapping

U.S. Department of the Interior



**Digital Geologic Map Status for National Park Service Units**

**GRE Partner States**

**Small Parks**

- Complete
- In-progress
- Waiting on Partner Support
- Not Started
- Not an Inventory Park

**Large Parks**

- Complete
- In-progress
- Waiting on Partner Support
- Not Started
- Not an Inventory Park

**Region Central Offices**

**Major Cities**

**Canadian National Park Area**

**Canadian Provincial Park**

**Interstate Highways**

**National Battlefield**

**National Battlefield Park**

**National Battlefield Site**

**National Historic Area**

**National Historical Park**

**National Historical Park and Preserve**

**National Historical Site**

**National Historic Landmark**

**National Monument**

**National Monument and Preserve**

**National Military Park**

**National Memorial**

**National Park**

**National Park and Preserve**

**National Preserve**

**National River**

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**National River and Recreation Area**

**National Reserve**

**National Seashore**

**National Scenic Riverway**

**Phosphate**

**Scenic and Recreational River**

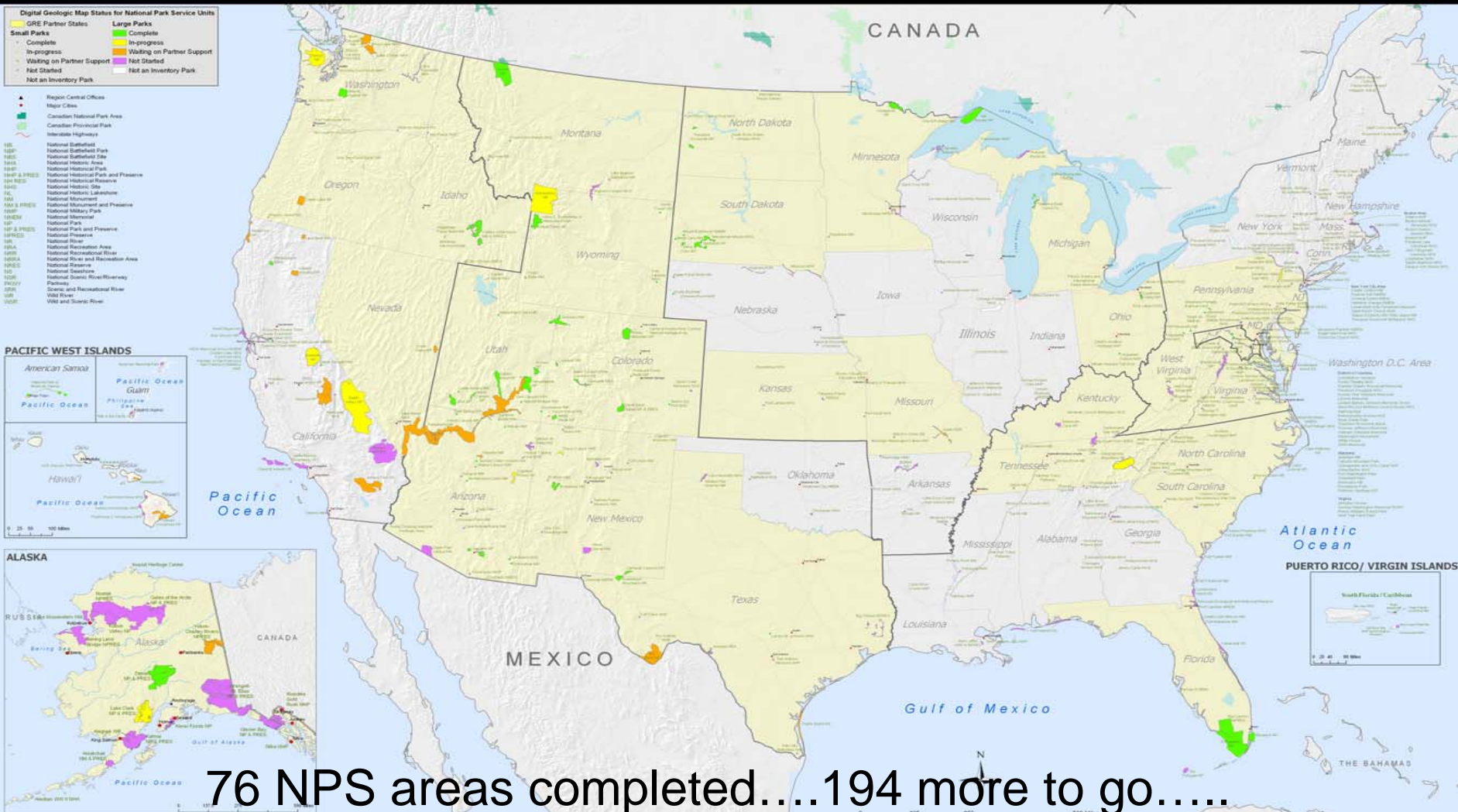
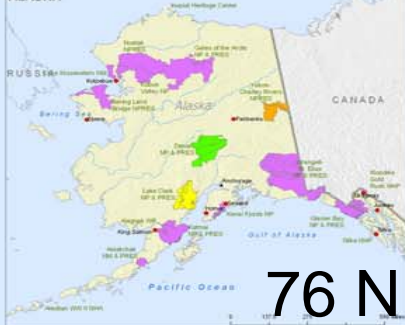
**Wild River**

**Wild and Scenic River**

### PACIFIC WEST ISLANDS



### ALASKA



76 NPS areas completed....194 more to go.....

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## How to get completed NPS digital geologic maps

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NR/GIS Metadata: Search Results - Mozilla Firefox

http://science.nature.nps.gov/nrdata/quickoutput2.cfm?UnitSearch=&Action=Search&nps\_quicksearch=%2B

### NR-GIS Metadata and Data Store

NPS Natural Resource and GIS Programs

Application Home » Login

**Search**

Select Search Type:

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- NPSFocus
- NPS I&M Program
- NPS Research Permits
- NPS Park Planning

**SEARCH CRITERIA: 29 RECORDS RETURNED**

**METADATA PURPOSE: ONLINE DATA** **NPS UNIT: DENALI NATIONAL PARK AND PRESERVE (DENA)** **CATEGORY: GEOLOGY**

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DATASET CITATION TITLE	TIME PERIOD	DATA (network)
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Draft Ecoregions (NRCS)	01/01/1980	12/31/1989 GENSOILS.ZIP
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Late Wisconsin Glaciers, Alaska PaleoGlacier Atlas	08/08/2002	AK_PALEOGLACIER_ATLAS
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Maximum Pleistocene Glacier Extents, Alaska PaleoGlacier Atlas	08/08/2002	AK_PALEOGLACIER_ATLAS

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## Other ESRI UC 2006 NPS geology related “stuff”

### TALKS:

Wednesday: 130-245; ***“The National Park Service Geology-GIS Geodatabase Data Model”***: Heather Stanton, Colorado State University-NPS

### POSTERS:

- ***“The Geologic Resources Evaluation: Getting Started, Digital Map Creation, Types of Maps, Conclusions”***: Melanie Ransmeier and Georgia Hybels
- ***“The National Park Service – Creating Digital Geologic-GIS Data”***: Stephanie O’Meara, Heather I. Stanton, James R. Chappell, Ronald D. Karpilo, Gregory S. Mack, Georgia A. Hybels, Trista L. Thornberry-Ehrlich