



# SURFICIAL GEOLOGIC MAP OF THE WESTERN CRATER RANGE, GOLDWATER AIR FORCE RANGE, SOUTHERN ARIZONA

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## MAP EXPLANATION

### GEOLOGIC CONTACTS

- Accurately located contact ( $\pm 30$  m)
- Map neat line

### GEOLOGIC MAP UNITS

#### Piedmont Alluvial Deposits

- Qy2** Late Holocene alluvium (< 2 ka)  
Channels, undissected floodplains, low terraces, and active or recently active alluvial fans
- Qy1** Middle to early Holocene alluvium (2 to 10 ka)  
Undissected terraces and alluvial fans somewhat isolated from active fluvial systems
- Qly** Late Pleistocene to early Holocene alluvium (7 to 15 ka)  
Slightly, light-colored dissected terraces and alluvial fans
- Ql** Late Pleistocene alluvium (10 to 150 ka)  
Weakly to moderately dissected, gray-colored alluvial fans and terraces
- Qlf** Fine-grained late Pleistocene alluvium (10 to 150 ka)  
Fine-grained, weakly to moderately dissected alluvial fans and terraces
- Qlc** Coarse-grained late Pleistocene alluvium (10 to 150 ka)  
Coarse-grained, weakly to moderately dissected alluvial fans and terraces
- Qm** Middle Pleistocene alluvium (150 to 750 ka)  
Older relict fans with moderate to strong soil development and well-developed, entrenched tributary drainage networks
- QTs** Late Tertiary alluvium (1.6 to 5.5 Ma)  
Highly dissected, poorly preserved fan remnants composed of subrounded stones and subangular to angular cobbles

#### Eolian and Eolian / Alluvial Piedmont Deposits

- Qe** Late Holocene eolian deposits (0 to 4 ka)  
Eolian accumulations of sand and silt located adjacent to bedrock outcrops
- Qle** Late Pleistocene alluvium and Holocene eolian deposits (< 150 ka)  
Mixed young eolian deposits and intermediate alluvium

#### Deposits of Tenmile Wash

- Qy2r** Late Holocene stream deposits (< 1 ka)  
Very young deposits in stream channels and on primary floodplains of the major washes
- Qy1r** Holocene stream terrace deposits (< 10 ka)  
Deposits associated with relict channels and upper or secondary floodplains of major washes
- Qyre** Holocene stream terrace and eolian deposits (< 10 ka)  
Mixed young river terrace deposits and eolian deposits
- Qlr** Late Pleistocene stream terrace deposits (10 to 150 ka)  
Mixed intermediate pebbles, gravel and finer textured river terraces and young eolian sand and silt deposits
- Qlre** Late Pleistocene stream terrace deposits and Holocene eolian deposits (< 150 ka)  
Mixed intermediate pebbles, gravel and finer textured river terraces and young eolian sand and silt deposits

#### Colluvial Deposits

- Qc2** Holocene colluvium (< 10 ka)  
Poorly sorted deposits that extend as elongate lobes from the mountain front
- Qc1** Pleistocene colluvium (10 ka to 1 Ma)  
Relict, darkly varnished colluvial slopes located adjacent to modern hillslopes

#### Bedrock Units

- Tba** Basaltic andesite flows (middle to late Miocene)  
Thin, mesa-capping flows 2 to 6 meters thick dated at  $14.4 \pm 0.7$  Ma (Gray and Miller, 1984),  $15.0 \pm 2.0$  Ma (Eberly and Stanley, 1978) and  $15.52 \pm 0.54$  Ma (Shafiqullah and others, 1984)
- Tc** Childs latite flows (middle Miocene)  
More felsic volcanic flows that have been dated at  $18.4 \pm 0.9$  Ma (Gray and Miller, 1984)
- Thc** Holocrystalline Childs latite flows and intrusives (middle Miocene)  
Light gray locally columnar jointed flows and subvolcanic intrusive bodies
- Tsa** Sneed andesite, and associated andesitic flow tuffs and intrusive rocks (early Miocene)  
Light-pinkish-tan to gray medium-grained flows, associated tuffs, and intrusive rocks dated at  $22.0 \pm 0.7$  Ma (Gray and Miller, 1984)
- Tsc** Arkosic sandstone and boulder conglomerate (Miocene)

## INDEX MAP OF SOUTHWESTERN ARIZONA Showing the location of the Northern Growler Valley study area (OFR 01-02) and the Western Crater Range study area (OFR 01-03)

