

PRELIMINARY BEDROCK GEOLOGIC MAP OF EAST-CENTRAL, MINNESOTA

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MAP UNITS

- PHANEROZOIC**
- K** CRETACEOUS UNDIVIDED - poorly sorted sandstone, siltstone, shale, and mudstone, typically gray to tan-gray.
 - C** SEDIMENTARY ROCKS (CAMBRIAN) - Mt. Simon Sandstone and possibly other units of Cambrian age.
- MIDDLE PROTEROZOIC**
- Pks** Diabase to gabbroic dikes - inferred from northeast trending negative aeromagnetic anomalies to be northeast-plunging diabase dikes associated with the Keweenaw-Midcontinent Rift System.

EARLY PROTEROZOIC

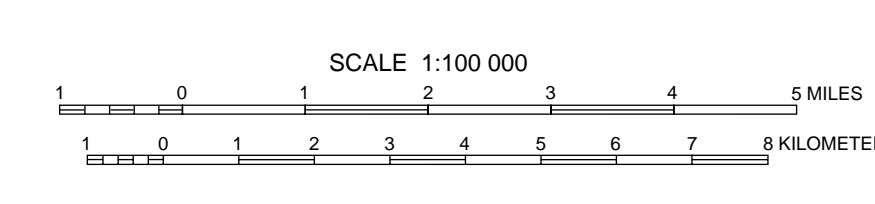
- Intrusive units that post-date the regional Proterozoic metamorphic event (most units locally contain evidence for weak metamorphism—presumably contact and/or ductile in origin)
- Ppgr** Diabase and gabbroic dikes - northwest and east-northeast trending, variably magnetic dikes - inferred partly from magnetic polarity, Pp - reversed polarity, Pp - normal polarity.
 - Pp** Mafic and ultramafic plug like plutons - composed of segmented pegdikes, pyroxenite, hornblende, hornblende and pyroxene bearing dikes and gabbro.
 - Pst** Quartz dike porphyry dikes - pink, fine to medium-grained basaltic monzonitic granitoid plutons containing coarse quartz and biotite phenocrysts.
 - Pb** Granite of the Foley batholith - pink to salmon-colored, includes small dikes of granite porphyry and gabbro.
 - Pfm** Variably magnetic zones of the Foley batholith, macroscopically similar to Pfb.
 - Pgr** St. Cloud Granite - pink, coarse-grained, hornblende biotite granite.
 - Prg** Granite - pink to red, hornblende and biotite bearing.
 - Pgu** Granitoid rocks, undifferentiated.
 - Pgl** Pease Granite - light gray, medium-grained, equigranular, and typically massive.
 - Pwl** Wapagan and Isle Granites - The Wapagan is light gray, medium to coarse-grained, massive biotite hornblende granite. The Isle is similar, though somewhat coarser grained and more irregular in grain size and composition.
 - Ppl** Granite of the Ann Lake pluton - light gray and black biotite granite containing small, relict, igneous xenoliths. Massive, medium to coarse-grained, biotite and hornblende bearing.
 - Ppm** Inferred mafic phase of Ann Lake pluton, not exposed.
 - Pmi** Magnetic intrusions - granodiorite to diorite, includes Freedholm, Grandonville, Little Rock pluton, Glendorado pluton, and other unnamed bodies.
 - Pmg** Reformatory Granodiorite - hornblende biotite granodiorite, light gray, medium to coarse-grained, and displaying a moderately well developed foliation. Locally cut by many granite dikes of old Prg.
 - Pwd** Wabau Diabase - dark gray to gray, fine to medium-grained hornblende biotite biotite granodiorite.
 - Pvg** Beakley Creek Granodiorite - red, light gray and dark gray, variably foliated granodiorite to diorite.
 - Pvn** Beakley Creek mafic phase - poorly exposed, outcrops are red to salmon-colored, medium to coarse-grained granodiorite; however, gravity expression indicates that more dioritic compositions are also present.

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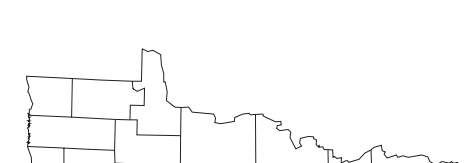
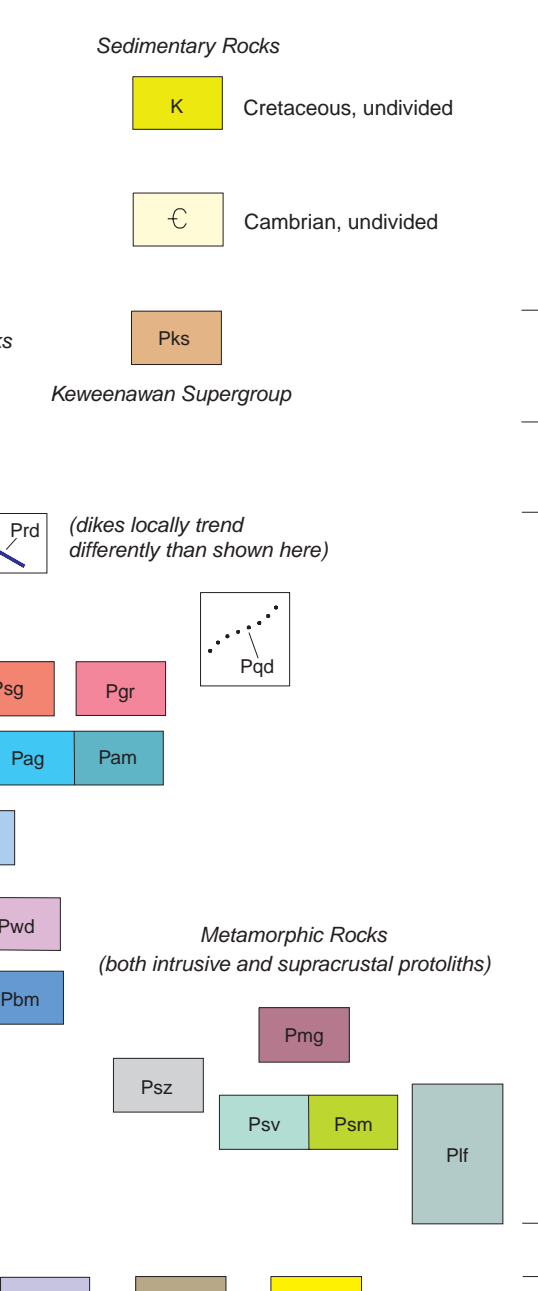
- Intrusive and supracrustal units which are synchronous with or pre-date Proterozoic metamorphism
- Pf** Little Falls Formation - gray, quartzitic biotite schist of gabbro protolith, inferred from outcrops and drill holes in adjacent areas.
 - Pdz** Shear zone - most is equivalent to calcic/dioctite gabbro protolith, cut by a swarm of northeast trending, magnetic, diabase dikes (old Pkd).
 - Pma** Magnetite and amphibole.
 - Psv** Schist of volcanic, volcanoclastic, and granitoid intrusive protolith.
 - Pmt** Schist of mafic volcanic and hypabyssal intrusive protolith.

EARLY PROTEROZOIC AND ARCHEAN

- Ages poorly known
- Aph** Wabau Metagabbro - contains garnet, cordierite, biotite, actinolite and amphibole, schist paragneiss, migmatized to hornfels; to granodioritic rocks; metamorphosed to metabasite to gabbroic gneiss. These are cut by orange, west-northeast trending monzogabbro dikes.
 - Agp** Small Chert - gray to red, medium-grained gneiss that varies from gabbro to mafic composition.
 - Agv** Undifferentiated quartzitic gneiss, schist, and granite.



CORRELATION OF MAP UNITS



MAP LOCATION

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