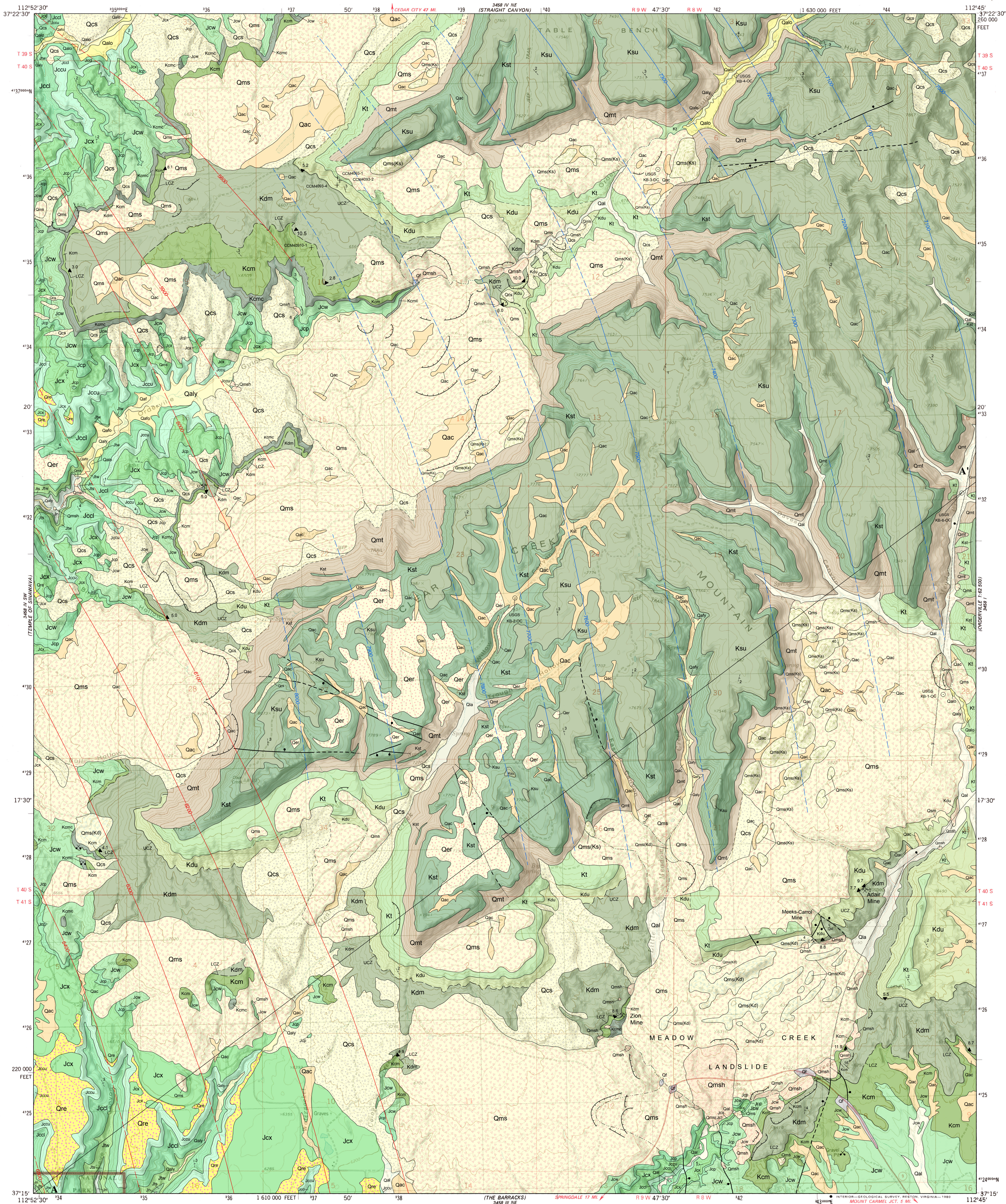




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Plate 1
Utah Geological Survey Map 245
Geologic Map of the Clear Creek Mountain Quadrangle



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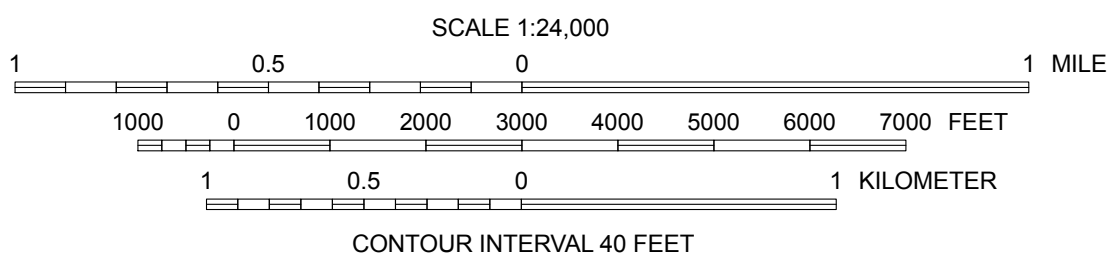
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QUADRANGLE LOCATION

GEOLOGIC MAP OF THE CLEAR CREEK MOUNTAIN QUADRANGLE, KANE COUNTY, UTAH

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TRUE NORTH
APPROXIMATE MEAN DECLINATION, 2010

Base from USGS Clear Creek Mountain 7.5' quadrangle (1980)
Projection: UTM Zone 12
Datum: NAD 1927
Spheroid: Clarke 1886

Field mapping by author, 1997-2000
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Cartography: Jay Hill



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ADJOINING 7.5' QUADRANGLE NAMES

DESCRIPTION OF MAP UNITS

QUATERNARY

Alluvial Deposits

Stream alluvium (Holocene to upper Pleistocene) – Generally stratified, moderately to well-sorted sand, silt, clay, and pebble to boulder-flow, and colluvial deposits too small to map separately. Younger stream alluvium (Qal) includes terraces as much as 10 feet (3 m) above modern stream level; older stream alluvium (Qolo) forms incised, level to gently sloping surfaces 10 to 30 feet (3–9 m) above modern channels and may include moist deposits of younger stream alluvium too small to map separately; undifferentiated alluvium (Qai) mapped where deposit age is uncertain. Thickness 0 to 30 feet (0–9 m).

Fan alluvium (Holocene to upper Pleistocene) – Poorly stratified, poorly to moderately well sorted, boulder- to clay-sized sediment deposited as relatively small alluvial fans along major drainages; deposited by intermittent streams, debris flows, and debris floods graded to or slightly above modern stream level; locally includes minor colluvium and talus slopes margin of the fans, and grades into stream alluvium at fan toes. Younger fan alluvium (Qaf) forms active depositional surfaces and grades into younger stream alluvium (Qai) at toe of the fans; older fan alluvium (Qalo) forms deeply incised, generally inactive surfaces as much as 30 feet (9 m) above modern stream channels. Thickness 0 to 40 feet (0–12 m).

Lacustrine and alluvial basin-fill deposits (Holocene to upper Pleistocene) – Stratified, thin-bedded, light-brown to gray silt and clay with interbeds and lenses of fine to coarse sand and fine gravel; locally abundant organic matter. Location of these deposits along Clear Creek (Willow Canyon) and Meadow Creek upstream of landslide deposits suggests accumulation in quiet water behind landslide dams; these “lakes” probably held water only during brief wet periods and were probably more like shallow ponds or swampy alluvial plains; deposits are similar to those of numerous Holocene and Pleistocene lakes in Zion National Park (see discussion in Bick and others, 2003). Thickness 0 to 50 feet (0–15 m).

Artificial-Fill Deposits

Artificial fill (historical) – Primarily road-embankment fill used in the construction of State Route 9; other deposits, too small to map separately, are scattered across the quadrangle and include stock-pod embankments and waste-rock piles at uranium and coal mines and prospects; 0 to 60 feet (0–18 m) thick.

Colluvial Deposits

Colluvium (Holocene to upper Pleistocene) – Unsorted, nonstratified, locally derived sand and silt with subangular to angular gravel, cobbles, and boulders; color and clast composition vary with parent material, deposited primarily by creep and slope wash, but some deposits, particularly on the upper part of the Straight Cliffs Formation, may also result in part from shallow landsliding; gradational with and locally includes talus and mixed alluvial and colluvial deposits; estimated to be less than 10 feet (3 m) thick.

Mass-Movement Deposits

Landslide deposits (Holocene to middle(?) Pleistocene) – Poorly sorted masses of rock and unconsolidated material that have undergone translational and/or rotational downslope movement; deposits display hummocky topography, internal scarps, back-tilted geomorphic surfaces, and chaotic bedding attitudes; typically associated with long-strength-slip in the Cedar Mountain, Dakota, and Tropic Formations. Some of the deposits form large complexes of contiguous but separate landslides having different histories and directions; where discernible, individual landslides are delineated on the basis of drainages and other geomorphic features that indicate landslide flanks and toes. Geomorphically youthful scarps and hummocky topography indicate new or reactivated movement; whereas geomorphically subtle landslide features and/or surfaces that are deeply incised by stream channels may indicate relatively old initiation of movement; however, very slow movement may be occurring in some landslide areas that lack obvious geomorphic evidence of recent movement. Formation symbols in this map denote large blocks of bedrock that has been displaced by landsliding, but internal stratigraphy has remained relatively intact (Toreva block). Historical landslides (Qmsh) have landslide features such as scarps and slide culverts that are morphologically distinct, as well as clear evidence of historical movement (i.e., disturbed vegetation, damaged cultural features such as roads and culverts); the Meadow Creek landslide, crossed by Utah Highway 9, presents ongoing road maintenance issues (see Strickland, 1964; Ashland and Davis, 1989; Ashland and McDonald, in press). Thickness of landslide deposits is highly variable; the larger slides are possibly hundreds of feet (100 m ±) thick.

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Talus (Holocene to upper(?) Pleistocene) – Very poorly sorted, angular, gravel- to boulder-sized sandstone blocks and fine-grained interbedded sandstone and shale slopes below ledges and cliffs of the Straight Cliffs Formation; deposited primarily by rock fall, but creep and slope wash also involved; locally includes undifferentiated colluvium; generally 0 to 20 feet (0–6 m) thick.

Spring Deposits

Spring mud (Holocene) – Brown and greenish-gray clay and organic mud with white evaporitic surface encrustation (efflorescence); deposited immediately downslope of small, active springs in the southeastern part of the quadrangle (NW1/4 section 33, T. 40 S., R. 8 W., SLBLM); highly susceptible to piping and erosion; estimated to be less than 15 feet (5 m) thick.

Spring tufa (Holocene) – Gray, white, and tan, blocky, porous, calcareous sinter that forms small, earthy mounds; contains abundant root casts; associated with presently inactive springs; two small deposits are mapped in the southeastern part of the quadrangle (NE1/4 section 36, T. 40 S., R. 9 W., and NW1/4 section 5, T. 41 S., R. 8 W., SLBLM); thickness uncertain, but probably less than 10 feet (3 m).

Mixed-Environment Deposits

Alluvial and colluvial deposits (Holocene to upper Pleistocene) – Poorly to moderately sorted, generally poorly stratified sand, silt, and clay with scattered, subangular to angular gravel and cobbles; deposited in minor drainages and topographic depressions primarily by fluvial, debris-flow, slope-wash, and creep processes; commonly scattered across landslide deposits where displaced bedrock blocks, back-tilted surfaces, and closed depressions form sediment traps; thickness less than 6 feet (6 m).

Eolian and residual deposits (Holocene to upper(?) Pleistocene) – Well-sorted fine sand with scattered, subangular gravel and cobbles of sandstone derived from the Straight Cliffs Formation; deposited by wind and in-place weathering of bedrock; forms discontinuous fill in shallow topographic depressions on mesa tops; 0 to 5 feet (0–1.5 m) thick.

Residual and colluvial deposits (Holocene to upper(?) Pleistocene) – Reddish-brown silt and fine sand with scattered subangular gravel derived from the Crystal Creek Member of the Carmel Formation; deposited by in-place weathering of bedrock and partly reworked by the wind; forms a thin (0 to 2 feet [0–0.6 m]), discontinuous mantle on top of the Co-op Creek Limestone.

unconformity

CRETACEOUS

Straight Cliffs Formation – Shown undivided where one or more members form bedrock blocks displaced by landsliding, but internal stratigraphy has remained relatively intact (see “Landslide deposits”).

Upper unit

(Upper Cretaceous, Santonian to Turonian) – Slope- and ledge-forming sandstone, siltstone, shale, and minor conglomerate; sandstone is subarkosic, light gray, brown, and pale orange; typically trough cross-bedded; variegated shale near top of unit is maroon and greenish gray. Limonite-stained pebbly conglomerate and griststone with clasts of quartzite and chert is poorly exposed within the lower 200 feet (60 m) of the unit; the conglomerate likely comprises multiple beds, one or more of which may be correlative with the Catfoss (1969a). Deposited in fluvial, floodplain, and lagoonal environments of a coastal plain (Eaton and others, 2001); interpreted to be correlative with Smoky Hollow Member and possibly John Henry Member of the Straight Cliffs Formation of the Kaiparowits Plateau (see, for example, Eaton and others, 2001). At least 700 feet (210 m) thick in the quadrangle, but upper contact not preserved.

Tibbet Canyon Member

(Upper Cretaceous, Turonian) – Predominantly cliff-forming sandstone, quartzose, light gray to grayish orange, medium to thick bedded with local low-angle cross-bed; interbedded with minor shale, mudstone, and siltstone; locally contains pelecypods, ammonoids, and bivalvifera features. Upper contact corresponds to a break in slope and is placed at top of coquina oyster bed that caps the member. Deposited in shelfface, lagoonal, estuarine, and floodplain environments of a coastal plain (Laurin and Sageman, 2001, 2007; Tibbet and others, 2003). About 240 to 440 feet (75–135 m) thick.

Tropic Shale (Upper Cretaceous, Turonian to Cenomanian) – Slope-forming, thin-bedded, sandy shale and mudstone with minor fine-grained sandstone and limestone; brown to gray, weathers to yellowish gray; septarian nodules (concretions containing angular, mineral-filled cavities or cracks) weather out of thin limestone bed near base; locally includes sandstone of overlying Straight Cliffs Formation that grades into and interfingers with upper part of Tropic Shale (e.g., in the main scarp of the Meadow Creek landslide). Upper contact gradational, placed at base of lowermost, laterally continuous, cliff-forming Tibbet Canyon sandstone. Deposited in shallow-marine environment dominated by fine-grained clastic sediment (Eaton and others, 1994; Tibbet and others, 2003; Laurin and Sageman, 2007). About 240 to 500 feet (75–150 m) thick; thickness decreases northward and westward, thinning dramatically to perhaps just a few feet thick in the western part of the adjacent Cogswell Point quadrangle (Bick and Hyland, 2007).

In 1990, a partial skeleton of a large, long-necked plesiosaur (marine reptile) was discovered about 3 miles (5 km) east of the Clear Creek Mountain quadrangle during excavations at a septarian nodule mine in the Muddy Creek drainage. The fossil bones, primarily consisting of vertebrae, were in the *Sciponoceras gracile* Ammonoite Biozone at the base of the Tropic Shale and were the first documented occurrence of plesiosaur remains from the Tropic Shale in Utah (Gillette and others, 1999).

Dakota Formation – Shown undivided where one or more members form bedrock blocks displaced by landsliding, but internal stratigraphy has remained relatively intact (see “Landslide deposits”). In southwestern Utah, the Dakota Formation has traditionally been subdivided into three informal members (see, for example, Doelling and Davis, 1989; Gustason, 1989, following the convention established for the Dakota on the Kaiparowits Plateau (Peterson, 1969b)). On the Kolob Terrace, the lower member has recently been reassigned to the Cedar Mountain Formation (Bick and others, 2003; Bick, 2007a, 2007b; Bick and Hyland, 2007; but see Tibbet and others, 2003) on the basis of lithologic and age similarities with the Mussentuchit Member (see Kirkland and others, 1997; Kirkland and Madsen, 2007), and that convention is followed on this map.

Upper member

(Upper Cretaceous, Cenomanian) – The Dakota is ledge-forming, interbedded sandstone, siltstone, mudstone, shale, and minor coal; sandstone is light brown, gray, and white; arkosic to quartzose, thin to thick bedded; planar; siltstone, mudstone, and shale are dark gray, typically with disseminated organic debris; coal occurs as scattered seams 1 to 2 feet (0.3–0.6 m) thick; abundant gastropod (*Cygnina*) and pelecypod (*Cuscutaria* and *Inoceramus pictus*) fossils in upper part of unit; bivalvifera features (*Ophiomorpha*) in lower part. White, ledge-forming sandstone 25 to 30 feet (8–15 m) thick at top of unit correlates to the “sugargrade sandstone” of Cashion (1961). Upper contact placed at top of thin (4 feet [1.2 m]) coal-sandstone couplet; locally, the Dakota is poorly exposed and the coal contains a palynomorph assemblage indicating an age at least as old as Turonian (sample CM4093-1). Below the sugargrade sandstone, organic mudstone and carbonaceous shale yielded pollen indicating an age of early to late Campanian (samples CM4093-4 and CM4093-2, respectively). Deposited in shoreface, lagoonal, and estuarine environments of a coastal plain (Sageman, 1989; an Ende, 1991; Elder and others, 1994; Laurin and Sageman, 2001, 2007; Tibbet and others, 2003). About 200 to 290 feet (60–90 m) thick.

Middle member (Upper Cretaceous, Cenomanian) – Slope-forming, interbedded sandstone, siltstone, mudstone, shale, coal, and lignite, and ledge-forming sandstone; mudstone and claystone are gray to brown, commonly silted; siltstone is dark brown to black, typically with abundant organic debris; shale is gray to dark gray, locally smectitic or carbonaceous; sandstone is light brown to gray, locally subtle landslide features and/or surfaces that are deeply incised by stream channels may indicate relatively old initiation of movement; however, very slow movement may be occurring in some landslide areas that lack obvious geomorphic evidence of recent movement. Formation symbol in this map denotes large blocks of bedrock that has been displaced by landsliding, but internal stratigraphy has remained relatively intact (Toreva block). Historical landslides (Qmsh) have landslide features such as scarps and slide culverts that are morphologically distinct, as well as clear evidence of historical movement (i.e., disturbed vegetation, damaged cultural features such as roads and culverts); the Meadow Creek landslide, crossed by Utah Highway 9, presents ongoing road maintenance issues (see Strickland, 1964; Ashland and Davis, 1989; Ashland and McDonald, in press). Thickness of landslide deposits is highly variable; the larger slides are possibly hundreds of feet (100 m ±) thick.

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Cedar Mountain Formation, undivided

(Cretaceous, Cenomanian to Albian) – Gray to variegated mudstone and minor lignite overlying interbedded pebbly conglomerate and conglomeratic sandstone; minor lignite overlying interbedded pebbly conglomerate and conglomeratic sandstone is mapped separately (Kcm). In some areas, slope-forming mudstone is smectitic and locally contains white carbonate nodules and interbedded altered volcanic ash; upper contact placed at base of Dakota lower coal zone. Conglomerate is typically cliff-forming and contains well-sorted, rounded, and infrequent, as well as clay lenses, carbonate nodules, and sized wood fragments, and petrified wood that includes silicified logs, local uranium mineralization; basal contact with the Winsor Member of the Carmel Formation is sharp and uneven. Organic mudstone yielded pollen indicating an age of late Albian (sample CM4091-1), and pollen analyses by Doelling and Davis (1989) indicate an Albian age of the underlying conglomerate. Single-crystal ⁴⁰Ar/³⁹Ar age of 97.9 ± 0.5 Ma obtained from ash layer in correlation near the North Fork Virgin River in the Straight Canyon quadrangle, about 1 mile (1.5 km) north of the Clear Creek Mountain quadrangle, suggests correlation with ash in Mussentuchit Member of the Cedar Mountain Formation in east-central Utah (see Cifelli and others, 1997; Garrison and others, 2007); geochronologic analysis of detrital zircon from the basal Cretaceous conglomerate near Kolob Reservoir, 10 miles (6 km) northwest of the Clear Creek Mountain quadrangle, indicates a correlation with the informally named Short Canyon conglomerate (G.J. Hunt, New Mexico State University, verbal communication, 2008) within the Cedar Mountain section on the west side of the San Rafael Swell (Doelling and Kuehne, in preparation). Deposited in floodplain, lacustrine, and fluvial-channel environments of a coastal plain (Tschudy and others, 1984; Kirkland and others, 1997; Garrison and others, 2007; Kirkland and Madsen, 2007). About 80 to 220 feet (25–65 m) thick.

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unconformity (K)

JURASSIC

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Winsor Member (Middle Jurassic, Callovian to Bathonian) – Slope-forming, mostly reddish-brown, fine-grained sandstone, siltstone, and minor shale; upper part of member is pale-yellow, friable, fine-grained silty sandstone. Upper contact is the basal Cretaceous (K) unconformity. Deposited on a broad, sandy mud flat (Imlay, 1980; Blakey and others, 1983). Thickness 180 to 280 feet (55–85 m).

Paria River Member (Middle Jurassic, Bathonian) – Slope-forming, light-gray to yellowish-gray, thin-bedded, platy limestone underlain by shaly limestone and sandstone, in turn underlain by ledge-forming, white gypsum bed. Upper contact is sharp and planar. Deposited in shallow-marine and coastal-sabkha environments (Imlay, 1980; Blakey and others, 1983). Thickness 60 to 100 feet (20–30 m).

Crystal Creek Member (Middle Jurassic, Bathonian) – Slope-forming, thin- to medium-bedded, “banded” reddish-brown and light-gray, fine-grained sandstone and siltstone; local gypsum ventiles and thin beds, and minor volcanic ash; upper contact is sharp and broadly undulating and corresponds to the base of the Paria River gypsum bed; about 166–167 Ma based on radiometric dating of ash interbeds in southwestern Utah (Kowallis and others, 2001). Deposited in coastal-sabkha and tidal-flat environments (Imlay, 1980; Blakey and others, 1983). Thickness 160 to 220 feet (50–65 m).

Co-op Creek Limestone Member (Middle Jurassic, Bathonian to Bajocian) – Interbedded, micritic to oolitic, thin- to medium-bedded, limestone, calcareous and argillaceous shale, platy limestone, and minor dolomite, sandstone, and volcanic ash; locally fossiliferous, including pelecypods, gastropods, and crinoid columns (*Isocrinus nicoleti*); about 167–168 Ma based on radiometric dating of ash interbeds in southwestern Utah (Kowallis and others, 2001). Deposited in a shallow-marine environment (Imlay, 1980; Blakey and others, 1983).

Upper unit – Ledge-forming, thin- to medium-bedded, white-weathering, micritic limestone and minor shale; upper contact is sharp and planar; 80 to 110 feet (25–35 m) thick.

Lower unit – Slope-forming, light-gray, calcareous and argillaceous shale and platy limestone with sandstone and thick-bedded limestone; about 8 feet (2.4 m) of reddish to purplish shale and thin-bedded sandstone at base; upper contact is gradational and corresponds to a break in slope; 160 to 220 feet (50–65 m) thick.

unconformity (J-2) (?)

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Temple Cap Formation (Middle Jurassic, Bajocian) – Shown undivided on cross section only; about 169–174 Ma based on radiometric dating of volcanic ash interbeds in southwestern Utah (Kowallis and others, 2001; Dickinson and others, 2009; D. Sprinkel, UGS, written communication, 2009); exposures of the Carmel–Temple Cap contact in the Clear Creek Mountain quadrangle show no unambiguous evidence of a major unconformity.

White Throne Member – Cliff-forming, light-gray to pale-orange sandstone with high-angle, thick cross-bed sets; sandstone is quartzose, well sorted, fine grained; 167–168 Ma based on radiometric dating of ash interbeds in southwestern Utah (Kowallis and others, 2001; Dickinson and others, 2009; D. Sprinkel, UGS, written communication, 2009); exposures of the Carmel–Temple Cap contact in the Clear Creek Mountain quadrangle show no unambiguous evidence of a major unconformity.

Sinawava Member – Slope-forming, interbedded sandstone, siltstone, and mudstone; forms relatively thin but prominent reddish-orange to reddish-brown slope at top of the Carmel Formation; sandstone, siltstone, shale, and lignite, and ledge-forming sandstone; mudstone and claystone are gray to brown, commonly silted; siltstone is dark brown to black, typically with abundant organic debris; shale is gray to dark gray, locally smectitic or carbonaceous; sandstone is light brown to gray, locally subtle landslide features and/or surfaces that are deeply incised by stream channels may indicate relatively old initiation of movement; however, very slow movement may be occurring in some landslide areas that lack obvious geomorphic evidence of recent movement. Formation symbol in this map denotes large blocks of bedrock that has been displaced by landsliding, but internal stratigraphy has remained relatively intact (Toreva block). Historical landslides (Qmsh) have landslide features such as scarps and slide culverts that are morphologically distinct, as well as clear evidence of historical movement (i.e., disturbed vegetation, damaged cultural features such as roads and culverts); the Meadow Creek landslide, crossed by Utah Highway 9, presents ongoing road maintenance issues (see Strickland, 1964; Ashland and Davis, 1989; Ashland and McDonald, in press). Thickness of landslide deposits is highly variable; the larger slides are possibly hundreds of feet (100 m ±) thick.

Navajo Sandstone (Lower Jurassic, Toarcian to Pliensbachian) – Cliff-forming, light gray to tan, medium- to coarse-grained, trough cross-bedded, sandstone; upper contact is sharp and planar; corresponds to prominent break in slope at top of Navajo cliff. Deposited in a vast desert dune and dune field (Blakey, 1994; Peterson, 1994). Only upper 200 feet (60 m) exposed in quadrangle, but formation is 1800 to 2200 feet (550–670 m) thick in the Zion National Park area (Gregory, 1950; Bick and others, 2003).

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- JURASSIC**
- Carmel Formation** – Shown undivided where one or more members form a bedrock block displaced by landsliding (NE/SW section 7, T. 41 S., R. 8 W., SLBLM), but internal stratigraphy has remained relatively intact (see “Landslide deposits”).
- Winsor Member** (Middle Jurassic, Callovian to Bathonian) – Slope-forming, mostly reddish-brown, fine-grained sandstone, siltstone, and minor shale; upper part of member is pale-yellow, friable, fine-grained silty sandstone. Upper contact is the basal Cretaceous (K) unconformity. Deposited on a broad, sandy mud flat (Imlay, 1980; Blakey and others, 1983). Thickness 180 to 280 feet (55–85 m).
- Paria River Member** (Middle Jurassic, Bathonian) – Slope-forming, light-gray to yellowish-gray, thin-bedded, platy limestone underlain by shaly limestone and sandstone, in turn underlain by ledge-forming, white gypsum bed. Upper contact is sharp and planar. Deposited in shallow-marine and coastal-sabkha environments (Imlay, 1980; Blakey and others, 1983). Thickness 60 to 100 feet (20–30 m).
- Crystal Creek Member** (Middle Jurassic, Bathonian) – Slope-forming, thin- to medium-bedded, “banded” reddish-brown and light-gray, fine-grained sandstone and siltstone; local gypsum ventiles and thin beds, and minor volcanic ash; upper contact is sharp and broadly undulating and corresponds to the base of the Paria River gypsum bed; about 166–167 Ma based on radiometric dating of ash interbeds in southwestern Utah (Kowallis and others, 2001). Deposited in coastal-sabkha and tidal-flat environments (Imlay, 1980; Blakey and others, 1983). Thickness 160 to 220 feet (50–65 m).
- Co-op Creek Limestone Member** (Middle Jurassic, Bathonian to Bajocian) – Interbedded, micritic to oolitic, thin- to medium-bedded, limestone, calcareous and argillaceous shale, platy limestone, and minor dolomite, sandstone, and volcanic ash; locally fossiliferous, including pelecypods, gastropods, and crinoid columns (*Isocrinus nicoleti*); about 167–168 Ma based on radiometric dating of ash interbeds in southwestern Utah (Kowallis and others, 2001). Deposited in a shallow-marine environment (Imlay, 1980; Blakey and others, 1983).
- Upper unit** – Ledge-forming, thin- to medium-bedded, white-weathering, micritic limestone and minor shale; upper contact is sharp and planar; 80 to 110 feet (25–35 m) thick.
- Lower unit** – Slope-forming, light-gray, calcareous and argillaceous shale and platy limestone with sandstone and thick-bedded limestone; about 8 feet (2.4 m) of reddish to purplish shale and thin-bedded sandstone at base; upper contact is gradational and corresponds to a break in slope; 160 to 220 feet (50–65 m) thick.
- unconformity (J-2) (?)**
- The boundary between the Carmel Formation and Temple Cap Formation has traditionally been interpreted as part of a regionally extensive erosional unconformity (Pipprings and O’Sullivan, 1978; Peterson and Pipprings, 1979); however, the Carmel–Temple Cap contact in the Clear Creek Mountain quadrangle, which is gradational, and the Temple Cap–Dakota contact, which is sharp and planar, indicate that the boundary is not a regional unconformity, but a gradational contact. The boundary between the Carmel Formation and Temple Cap Formation has traditionally been interpreted as part of a regionally extensive erosional unconformity (Pipprings and O’Sullivan, 1978; Peterson and Pipprings, 1979); however, the Carmel–Temple Cap contact in the Clear Creek Mountain quadrangle, which is gradational, and the Temple Cap–Dakota contact, which is sharp and planar, indicate that the boundary is not a regional unconformity, but a gradational contact.
- Temple Cap Formation** (Middle Jurassic, Bajocian) – Shown undivided on cross section only; about 169–174 Ma based on radiometric dating of volcanic ash interbeds in southwestern Utah (Kowallis and others, 2001; Dickinson and others, 2009; D. Sprinkel, UGS, written communication, 2009); exposures of the Carmel–Temple Cap contact in the Clear Creek Mountain quadrangle show no unambiguous evidence of a major unconformity.
- White Throne Member** – Cliff-forming, light-gray to pale-orange sandstone with high-angle, thick cross-bed sets; sandstone is quartzose, well sorted, fine grained; 167–168 Ma based on radiometric dating of ash interbeds in southwestern Utah (Kowallis and others, 2001; Dickinson and others, 2009; D. Sprinkel, UGS, written communication, 2009); exposures of the Carmel–Temple Cap contact in the Clear Creek Mountain quadrangle show no unambiguous evidence of a major unconformity.
- Sinawava Member** – Slope-forming, interbedded sandstone, siltstone, and mudstone; forms relatively thin but prominent reddish-orange to reddish-brown slope at top of the Carmel Formation; sandstone, siltstone, shale, and lignite, and ledge-forming sandstone; mudstone and claystone are gray to brown, commonly silted; siltstone is dark brown to black, typically with abundant organic debris; shale is gray to dark gray, locally smectitic or carbonaceous; sandstone is light brown to gray, locally subtle landslide features and/or surfaces that are deeply incised by stream channels may indicate relatively old initiation of movement; however, very slow movement may be occurring in some landslide areas that lack obvious geomorphic evidence of recent movement. Formation symbol in this map denotes large blocks of bedrock that has been displaced by landsliding, but internal stratigraphy has remained relatively intact (Toreva block). Historical landslides (Qmsh) have landslide features such as scarps and slide culverts that are morphologically distinct, as well as clear evidence of historical movement (i.e., disturbed vegetation, damaged cultural features such as roads and culverts); the Meadow Creek landslide, crossed by Utah Highway 9, presents ongoing road maintenance issues (see Strickland, 1964; Ashland and Davis, 1989; Ashland and McDonald, in press). Thickness of landslide deposits is highly variable; the larger slides are possibly hundreds of feet (100 m ±) thick.
- Navajo Sandstone** (Lower Jurassic, Toarcian to Pliensbachian) – Cliff-forming, light gray to tan, medium- to coarse-grained, trough cross-bedded, sandstone; upper contact is sharp and planar; corresponds to prominent break in slope at top of Navajo cliff. Deposited in a vast desert dune and dune field (Blakey, 1994; Peterson, 1994). Only upper 200 feet (60 m) exposed in quadrangle, but formation is 1800 to 2200 feet (550–670 m) thick in the Zion National Park area (Gregory, 1950; Bick and others, 2003).

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