

Latest Quaternary glacial and periglacial stratigraphy, Wind River Range, Wyoming

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ABSTRACT

We use relative dating criteria to document post-depositional alteration of till and periglacial deposits, and to map these deposits as facies of four allostratigraphic units (alloformations) in the Wind River Range. The alloformations are composed of till as well as rock-glacier, protalus-rampart, and rock fall deposits of latest Pleistocene and Holocene age. These deposits record paleoclimatic events over the past ca. 12.8 ka that influenced geomorphic processes in and near cirques and heads of glacial valleys of the Wind River Range. All of the type areas are on till. The oldest alloformation is the Temple Lake. Progressively younger units are the Alice Lake and Black Joe. The youngest unit is the Gannett Peak. Radiocarbon and cosmogenic radionuclide analyses provide numeric age control for these deposits. Combined numeric and relative age-data suggest the following broad age estimates for these alloformations: the Temple Lake is coeval with the Younger Dryas climate event (ca. 12,800–11,500 yr B.P.); Alice Lake is >4500 years old (ca. 6000 yr B.P.); Black Joe is ca. 1900 yr B.P. (minimum); and Gannett Peak is ca. 750–150 years old.

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INTRODUCTION

Despite many investigations since the late 1940s (Richmond, 1948), uncertainties persist concerning the latest Pleistocene and Holocene glacial and periglacial successions of the Wind River Range in west-central Wyoming. These uncertainties include the number of post-Pinedale glacial advances, the ages of these advances, and the valley-to-valley correspondence of their associated deposits. In order to help resolve these uncertainties, we mapped glacial and periglacial deposits in cirques and valleys in three extensive areas in the Wind River Range (Fig. 1). Our revised stratigraphy is based on mapping and data presented in this report. Until revisions by Dahms and Birkeland (2000) and Dahms (2002), the stratigraphic nomenclature used for post-Pinedale glacial and periglacial successions in a portion of the Wind River Range was borrowed from localities in Colorado, and did not reflect the findings of work done in the range. Since the range contains the type localities of the Pinedale and Bull Lake glaciations as well as those of two of the four post-Pinedale glacial events (Gannett Peak and Temple Lake) identified in the Wind River Range (Mears, 1974; Dahms, 2002, 2004a, 2004b, Dahms et al., 2003), we suggest that the type localities for deposits of the other two glacial events should also be described from deposits in the same range. We use various radiocarbon and cosmogenic dates to suggest ages for these deposits.

Three main areas of the Wind River Range were selected for study (Fig. 2). P.W. Birkeland and C. Dan Miller did the greater part of their fieldwork in the early 1970s. They concentrated on two areas in the southern and middle parts of the range, extending from Temple Peak on the south to just north of Baptiste and Grave Lakes on the north. These areas are at an altitude of ~3100–3600 m. They also worked in the northern part of the range at the termini of the Gannett and Dinwoody glaciers (~3200–3600 m). A minor amount of their work was published previously in Miller and Birkeland (1974). Dahms worked in the Stough Creek Basin and Deep Lake areas in the southern part of the range in the 1990s. Parts of this work were previously published in Dahms (2002). This report makes available previously unpublished data and provides a synthesis of our work in this key area of the Wind River Range.

In this report, all map units are informal allostratigraphic units (North American Commission on Stratigraphic Nomenclature, 1983) and correspond to the nomenclature of Dahms and Birkeland (2000) and Dahms (2002). For convenience, the tills of our four alloformations are referred to (from youngest to oldest) as Gannett Peak till, Black Joe till, Alice Lake till, and Temple Lake till. These tills at their type localities are referred to as type Gannett Peak till, type Black Joe till, type Alice Lake till, and type Temple Lake till. The moraine at the type locality of the Temple Lake till is referred to as the type Temple Lake moraine. Although Gannett Peak Till and Temple Lake Till are considered to be formal lithostratigraphic units, they were inadequately described (Richmond, 1957, 1965) and cannot be distinguished from other nearby till units on the basis of their

lithologic characteristics. In this report we re-describe these two units and treat them as informal allostratigraphic units. As used in this report, the terms *neoglaciation* and *neoglacial* are informal terms that refer to a period of glacier growth and expansion in cirques in the western United States that began after the Altithermal (ca. 7500–5500 yr B.P.) and ended ~150 years ago. Likewise, the term *early Neoglacial* is an informal term that has been used to refer to deposits that accumulated during the initial advance of neoglaciation.

The most important findings of our work are (i) clear evidence for four post-Pinedale glacial advances preserved in many of the alpine valleys of the Wind River Range and (ii) the presence of a Younger Dryas glacial record, which in turn suggests that the Younger Dryas was a global-scale event whose signal was recorded in a region far from the Atlantic Ocean.

BACKGROUND

Stratigraphy

Hack (1943) and Moss (1949, 1951b) originally identified deposits corresponding to *two* post-Pinedale glacial events. From the geomorphic relations of deposits near Temple Lake, their early work shows that (i) the deposits of their Temple Lake moraine predate the Altithermal (early Holocene, pre-neoglacial warm period) and (ii) their younger moraines correspond with their *Little Glaciation* (e.g., Little Ice Age). Richmond (1962, 1965) later used similar relative-age criteria as well as soils data to revise their interpretations. He identifies two separate Temple Lake moraines (“a” and “b”) and considers them to be the products of older and intermediate neoglacial (post-Altithermal) advances in the range. Richmond also changed the name of Holmes and Moss’ *Little Glaciation* to *Gannett Peak*. He designated till of the moraine at the foot of Gannett Glacier near Gannett Peak in the northern Wind River Range as the type locality for deposits of the Little Ice Age (Richmond, 1962, 1965; Benedict, 1968; Birkeland et al., 1971).

Currey (1974) reports a ^{14}C age of 6500 ± 230 yr for material from the bottom of a bog in the valley of Rapid Creek near Temple Lake. This was the first radiocarbon age reported from the alpine glacial sequence in the Wind River Range and, due to its position up-valley of the Temple Lake moraine, demonstrates that the deposits which comprise the moraine are pre-Altithermal. Concurrent with Currey’s 1974 work, Miller and Birkeland (1974) present two lines of evidence concerning the Wind River Range alpine glacial succession. First, they present multiple relative-age criteria to corroborate Currey’s evidence that deposits of the Temple Lake moraine at its type locality are pre-Altithermal. Second, they suggest that glacial deposits intermediate in age between the earliest neoglacial deposits (their “early Neoglacial”) and the latest (Gannett Peak = Little Ice Age) represent an intermediate neoglacial ice advance. Miller and Birkeland (1974) introduce the term *Audubon-equivalent* for the intermediate unit to reflect its similarity to the Audubon

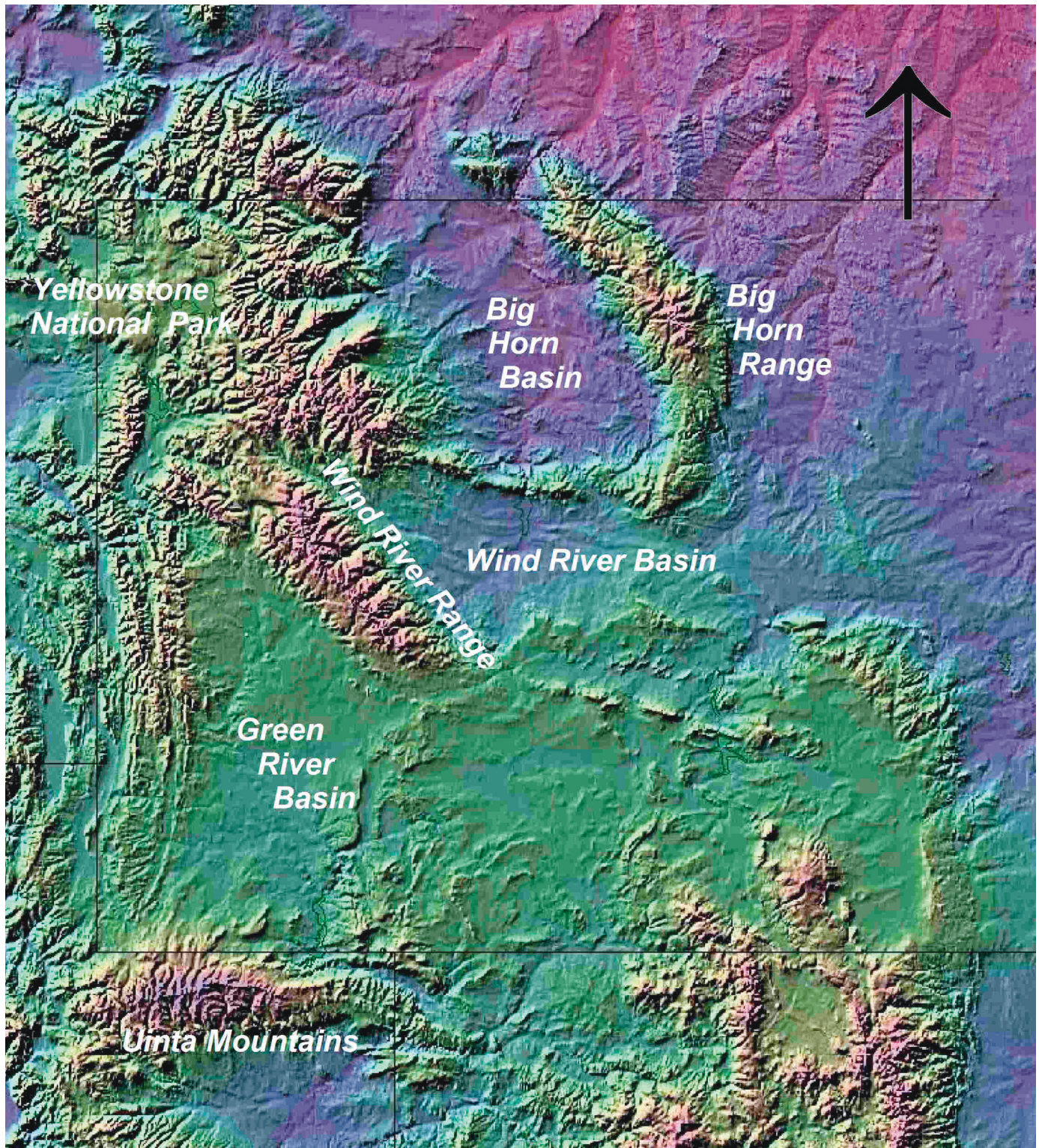


Figure 1. Digital image of the Middle Rocky Mountain region showing the location of the Wind River Range in relation to other important mountain ranges and features. Image from Chalk Butte, Inc., Boulder, Wyoming.

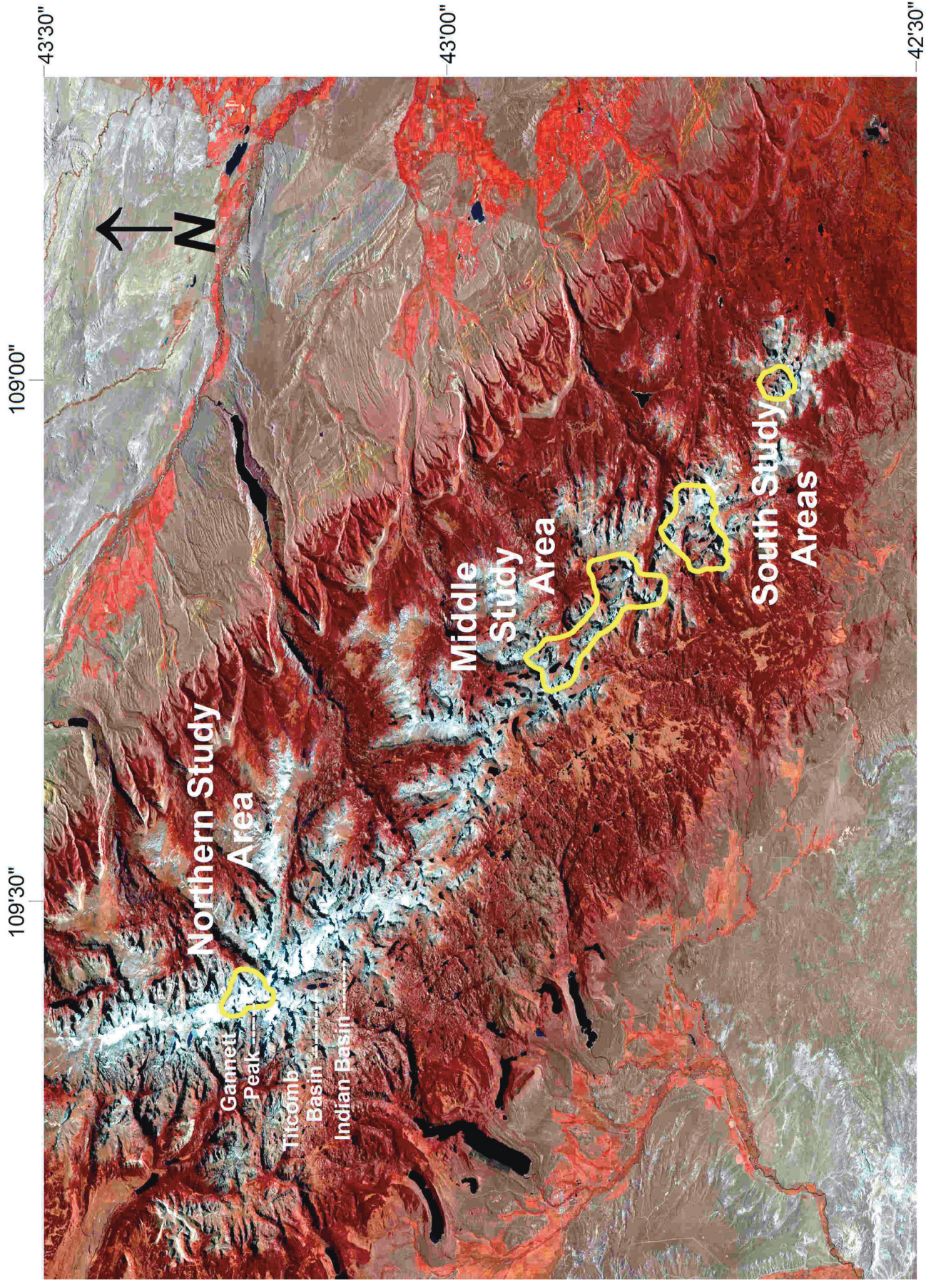


Figure 2. Landsat 7 image of the Wind River Range showing the Northern, Middle, and Southern areas investigated by this study. U.S. Geological Survey data archive, NED 1 Arc Second (<http://seamless.usgs.gov/website/seamless/view.er.php>).

unit identified in the Colorado Front Range by Mahaney (1972). Thus, Miller and Birkeland (1974) describe a sequence of deposits in the valley of Rapid Creek near Temple Lake that corresponds to four episodes of post-Pinedale glacial activity in the Wind River Range (Temple Lake plus early, intermediate, and latest neoglacial advances).

In the northern Wind River Range, Mahaney (1978, 1984a, 1984b, 1987) identifies glacial deposits in and near Titcomb Basin which he correlates with the threefold succession of neoglacial deposits described by Miller and Birkeland (1974). Correlations of Mahaney's stratigraphic units with those near Temple Lake and elsewhere in the Wind River Range remain uncertain. To make such a correlation between our work and that of Mahaney would have required extensive field visits that we did not make. Davis (1988) provides a concise discussion of the stratigraphic issue concerning glacial deposits of Holocene age in the Wind River Range and elsewhere in the western United States.

One uncertainty concerns the age of the deposits that comprise the Temple Lake moraine at Temple Lake. Despite the evidence presented by Currey and by Miller and Birkeland (see above), Mahaney (1978, 1988) considers the age of these deposits questionable and proposes to abandon the term Temple Lake. This proposal was rejected by his peers who, for many reasons, continue to use the term (Davis, 1988; Zielinski and Davis, 1987, 1988; Dahms, 2002). The uncertainty concerning the age of Temple Lake deposits apparently was resolved by Zielinski and Davis (1987). They present ^{14}C ages for lake sediments down valley of the Temple Lake moraine of Hack (1943) and Moss (1951a, 1951b) that place the deposition of the deposits that comprise the moraine within the younger Dryas chron (Zielinski and Davis, 1987; Alley et al., 1993). Thus, Temple Lake deposits in the Wind River Range are considered to be the products of the latest Pleistocene (post-Pinedale) glacial activity in the Middle Rocky Mountains. Gosse et al. (1995a; revised in Gosse et al., 2003) subsequently present a series of ^{10}Be and ^{26}Al exposure ages from boulders on moraines in Titcomb Basin that were mapped by Mahaney as late Pinedale. The boulders have revised mean ages (after correction for snow cover) of 12.9 ka (^{10}Be) and 13.1 ka (^{26}Al), which fall within the Younger Dryas chron (Alley et al., 1993).

Mahaney (1984b) suggests that a set of moraines below Harrower Peak in Indian Basin (adjacent to Titcomb Basin) represent an early post-Altithermal advance. He proposes that these deposits be considered the type locality for all tills previously correlated with the early Neoglacial advance in the Wind River Range and that the early Neoglacial deposits be termed *Indian Basin*. This proposal generally was ignored, since the term *early Neoglacial* had been in common use for several years and no change had been made in the unit's stratigraphic position (Davis, 1988). Furthermore, the cosmogenic ages reported by Gosse et al. (1995a, 1995b, 2003) show that in Titcomb Basin moraines mapped by Mahaney as purportedly early Neoglacial and Audubon-equivalent deposits are older than 10 ka. Thus, the deposits in Titcomb Basin that Mahaney would correlate with

Indian Basin clearly are not early Neoglacial in age; some of Mahaney's *Indian Basin* deposits are older than 10 ka. In support of the cosmogenic ages, P.T. Davis (1994, oral commun.) suggested the equilibrium line altitude (ELA) for Mahaney's (1984a, 1984b) Indian Basin moraine below Harrower Peak is too low for the moraine to be considered early Neoglacial in age and that it should be considered correlative to Temple Lake till at its type locality (Hack, 1943; Moss, 1951a, 1951b). Until this controversy is resolved, we prefer to use the name Alice Lake, a name introduced by Miller and Birkeland in the 1970s.

Later work by Dahms (2002 and new data in this report) in Stough Creek Basin and Deep Lakes cirque, south and east, respectively of Temple Lake, identifies deposits that correspond with the glacial succession identified by Miller and Birkeland (1974). Multiple relative-age criteria were used to identify glacial deposits in Stough Creek Basin that correlate with the Temple Lake, early Neoglacial, Audubon-equivalent, and Gannett Peak glacial events. Two preliminary cosmogenic nuclide ages from boulders on lateral moraines (Dahms, 2002) along with about 20 unpublished ages from samples of polished and striated bedrock (D. Fabel, 2009, written commun.) suggest that ice was absent from the floor of upper (southern) Stough Creek Basin by ca. 14 ka. These ages add credence to the interpretation that tills in moraines mapped as Temple Lake upvalley from the cosmogenic age sites are indeed post-Pinedale. Also, the multiple relative-age characteristics of the tills in Stough Creek Basin match those described on other deposits considered to be of Temple Lake age in the Wind River Range (Dahms, 2002; data in this report).

Paleoecology and Paleoclimate

The correspondence between glacial stratigraphy and limited paleoecological records for the Wind River Range is poorly constrained. Data on climate change recorded in lake sediments are only available from lakes in two alpine valleys in the range. Lake records from the valley of Rapid Creek near Temple Lake (Fall et al., 1995; Zielinski, 1989; Zielinski and Davis, 1987) and from Titcomb Basin (Gosse et al., 1999) suggest that as few as three or as many as seven millennial-scale climate variations may have occurred in the range since ca. 18,000 yr B.P. Accelerator mass spectrometry ^{14}C -dated sediments from these lakes link at least three neoglacial climate events to specific moraines and their associated deposits. Although the total number and ages of post-Pinedale glacial events recorded in the sediment, organic matter content, and pollen data from the Titcomb Basin lakes remain unknown, preliminary analyses suggest five or six major post-Pinedale climate-change events, with neoglaciation possibly beginning by 6000 cal yr B.P. (Gosse et al., 1999; J.C. Gosse, 2000, written commun.). Data from lake sediment cores for the valley of Rapid Creek near Temple Lake suggest that the onset of neoglaciation occurred more recently ca. 3300 ^{14}C yr B.P. (Zielinski and Davis, 1989; Fall et al., 1995). Despite the above studies, much uncertainty remains concerning the onset and timing of neoglacial climate events in the Wind River Range.

Lake sediment records from Yellowstone National Park provide the most complete record of late Pleistocene and Holocene climate change in the Middle Rocky Mountain region. Climate proxies in Yellowstone National Park correspond most directly to large-scale controls (e.g., seasonal cycles of insolation, atmospheric composition, and atmosphere-ocean interactions) varying over centennial-to-millennial periods (Meyer, et al., 1995; Millspaugh and Whitlock, 1995, 2003; Millspaugh et al., 2000; Mock and Brunelle-Daines, 1999; Whitlock and Bartlein, 1993, 2004). Evidence in these sediments for decadal-to-centennial climate change is not as clear.

SETTING AND ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS

The Wind River Range is located in the Middle Rocky Mountains of west-central Wyoming (Fig. 1). The range is ~225 km long and 48 km wide. The Continental Divide follows the crest of the range for a distance of ca. 200 km. The range contains 47 of the 50 peaks in Wyoming above 4,000 m and the 63 glaciers in the range represent the largest total area of glaciers of any state in the Rocky Mountains of the conterminous U.S. (Denton, 1975). Most glaciers occupy north- and east-facing cirques on the eastern side of the Continental Divide. The largest glaciers are east of the Continental Divide in the northern part of the range (e.g., Gannett, Dinwoody, Fremont, Knifepoint, and Bull Lake glaciers). Snow distribution in the range is most likely due to wind loading of snow (Meier, 1951), because most glaciers lie in either north- or east-facing cirques or are on broad uplands east of the divide (Meier, 1951; Naftz, 1993). Annual precipitation is locally as much as 700–1000 mm near the Continental Divide (Lowham, 1988; Marston et al., 1991; Naftz, 1993).

Structure and Bedrock

The Wind River Range is a large asymmetric anticline-like structure uplifted along the Laramide-age Wind River Thrust. The range has a core composed of Archean-age crystalline rock that underlies much of the study area (Hulsebosch, 1993). Rocks underlying the northern study area (Fig. 2) commonly consist of migmatitic gneiss associated with the 2.67-Ga Bridger batholith and 2.55 Ga quartz diorite plutons (Granger et al., 1971; Frost et al., 2000). The gneiss typically contains quartz, feldspar, and biotite, whereas the migmatite consists of the latter rock type as well as injected and melted and recrystallized granitic material. The quartz diorite consists of oligoclase or andesine, biotite, hornblende, quartz and minor amounts of microcline. Medium-grained diabase dikes that contain labradorite, augite, and pigeonite cut the migmatites.

Rocks of the middle study area consist most commonly of calc-alkaline charnockitic plutons of the Louis Lake batholith (2.63 Ga) that consist of minor diorite, quartz diorite, granodiorite, and granite (Frost et al., 2000). The migmatitic gneiss and Late Archean plutons described above for the north also are pres-

ent locally. The most common rock type in the southern study area is weakly metamorphosed porphyritic quartz monzonite of the 2.63-Ga Louis Lake batholith (Pearson et al., 1971; Frost and Frost, 1993; Frost et al., 2000). The quartz monzonite typically contains phenocrysts of microcline in a groundmass of oligoclase, quartz, biotite, and locally, hornblende. Frost et al. (2000) also describes the Louis Lake batholith as a charnockite.

Environmental Conditions

Little instrumental data are available concerning the modern climate of the Wind River Range. Alpine sites provide most of the modern data. The period of maximum total precipitation is late spring through early summer; summer thundershowers are common. Long-term mean annual precipitation data are not available, but it is thought to be similar to that of the Front Range of Colorado, which receives nearly 100 cm of precipitation annually (Barry, 1973) in the alpine above 3450 m. During a 122-day sampling period in the summer of 1992 (June–October) two microclimate stations located at an altitude of 3383 m on Roaring Fork Mountain (to the east of Stough Creek Basin near the southern margin of the range) recorded summer air temperatures of 5–9 °C within 10 cm of the ground surface (R.W. Scott, 1999, written commun.). Daily maxima ranged from 10 °C to 16 °C and daily minimums ranged from 0 °C to 3 °C.

Ice cores taken from Fremont glacier in the northern Wind River Range were examined by the U.S. Geological Survey for evidence of late-Holocene climatic and hydrologic changes (Naftz, 1993; Naftz and Miller, 1992; Naftz and Smith, 1993; Naftz et al., 1993, 2002). The records are relatively short, covering the last 300–350 yr, but they provide valuable information about annual hydrologic change. Ice-core data from July 11, 1990 to July 10, 1991 on Upper Fremont Glacier near the northern study area indicate the mean annual air temperature was –6.9 °C, with a minimum air temperature of –35.9 °C and a maximum temperature of 13.3 °C. (Naftz and Miller, 1992). The mean daily temperature often exceeded 0 °C from about Julian day 160 through Julian day 260 (Naftz and Smith, 1993). These measurements indicate generally colder conditions exist between 3500 and 4000 m in the Wind River Range than the –3.5 °C mean annual temperature extrapolated from Mahaney's (1978) lapse rate calculations for Titcomb Basin. Average air temperatures during storms, reconstructed from ice-core data from Upper Fremont Glacier, are estimated to have increased ~3.5 °C from the mid-1960s to the early 1990s and nearly 5 °C over the last ~150 years, between the end of the Little Ice Age (Gannett Peak glaciation) and the early 1990s (Naftz et al., 2002).

In 1951, the firn limit on glaciers in the range was ~3660 m (Meier, 1951). The ELA is now generally higher in the Wind River Range. In 1991, the observed firn limit on Upper Fremont Glacier was 3990 m (Naftz et al., 1993). This limit is near the estimate of 3952 m, derived by using an accumulation area ratio of 0.6 combined with the margins of the largest modern glaciers in the range (Naftz, 1993; 2005, written commun.).

FACIES OF ALPINE DEPOSITS IN THE WIND RIVER RANGE

In most study areas our alloformations consists of several map units (facies), including till, protalus-rampart, rock-glacier, and rockfall deposits (Fig. 7; Table 1). Only for the Gannett Peak and Dinwoody glaciers (Fig. 3) did we map Gannett Peak deposits as an undivided unit, as we were unable to distinguish genetic units. Dahms mapped only till facies for post-Pinedale deposits in Stough Creek Basin and Deep Lakes Valley (Fig. 6).

Tills and rock-glacier deposits are the most common deposits mapped in this study (Figs. 3–6). In all the areas we mapped, most former and present glaciers and rock glaciers moved or are moving into the quadrant between north and east, off of steep cirque floors or valley walls. In the middle study area, all till units are present in cirques, some in front of modern glaciers (Fig. 4). Gannett Peak, Black Joe, and Alice Lake rock-glacier deposits are locally present. Protalus-rampart deposits are less abundant; those of Gannett Peak, Black Joe, and Alice Lake ages are recognized and are most common in the Cirque of the Towers. In the cirques of Stough Creek Basin, protalus-rampart deposits locally are common, but were not mapped (Fig. 6).

Till is the most common deposit in the central part of the southern study area, where till of four ages are locally present. Rock-glacier deposits are locally present; protalus-rampart deposits of equivalent ages are less abundant. Near the western and eastern limits of the southern study area, in (presumably) slightly drier microclimates, rock-glacier deposits are more common. Age ranges for rock glaciers are greatest in the eastern portion of the area.

Till is commonly recognized by its landform morphology, characterized by the presence of one or more arcuate ridges, convex in the direction of the ice flow. Large clasts in Gannett Peak and Black Joe tills are at least slightly rounded due to abrasion during glacial transport (e.g., Reheis, 1975), while similar-sized clasts in the Alice Lake, Temple Lake, and Pinedale tills are progressively more rounded, reflecting increasing transport distance(s) and age. Sand and finer materials generally fill the interstices between clasts in and on the older tills so that these deposits commonly have a nearly continuous cover of tundra vegetation (chiefly alpine grasses and herbs). The Gannett Peak and Black Joe deposits generally have smaller amounts of interstitial material to support alpine vegetation and provide parent material for soils.

Rock-glacier deposits are tongue- or lobe-shaped bodies of angular rock rubble, with little or no matrix, that commonly merge upslope with talus (Wahrhaftig and Cox, 1959; Washburn, 1979; Giardino et al., 1987). Rock glaciers show morphological evidence of downslope movement. Ridges and furrows are common on rock glacier deposits. Usually, they are curved and are oriented concave toward the cirque headwall (source) as a result of differential flowage. Steep fronts or sides of rock glaciers are commonly at or near the angle of repose. The junction angle between the front and top of active rock glaciers is

sharp, whereas that of inactive rock glaciers is rounded. Ages are assigned to rock-glacier deposits on the basis of relative-age criteria observed on the clasts, irrespective of whether the rock glacier is active or inactive.

The surface morphology of protalus-rampart deposits is similar to that of moraines, but stones on the latter are angular, inter-clast fines are absent, and the deposits are located close to talus along cirque headwalls (e.g., Washburn, 1979). Locally, protalus-rampart deposits were difficult to distinguish from till deposited by small glaciers. We mapped protalus-rampart deposits in catchment areas too small to have contained a glacier.

Rockfall deposits are composed chiefly of angular blocks that lack interstitial matrix. They commonly form sheet-like deposits. Most deposits lie at distances from the bases of cirque headwalls that suggests they moved as high velocity rockfalls.

RELATIVE-AGE METHODS

It is often difficult to obtain numerical ages for glacial and periglacial deposits in the Rocky Mountains because of the scarcity of organic matter associated with deposits. Thus, workers differentiate and correlate deposits based chiefly on post-depositional characteristics (soils, rock-weathering, and biological properties) that can be measured in the field (see Beschel, 1957; Benedict, 1967, 1968; Birkeland, 1973; Birkeland et al., 1979, 1987; Colman et al., 1987; Dahms 2002). Because post-depositional properties change progressively over time, suitable methods at selected sites can be utilized to recognize and distinguish map units. Wherever possible, we assign ages to our stratigraphic (map) units based on the most recent published and unpublished numeric ages.

Semiquantitative relative-age (RA) methods are used to differentiate among, and provide approximate ages for, deposits in this study (e.g., Birkeland et al., 1979). Lichenometry, rock weathering, thickness of loess mantle, and soil-profile development are used in combination to characterize deposits because each method provides only a minimum age estimate and each method has a limited time span over which it is useful for estimating ages (Birkeland, 1973, figure 11 therein). At some sites, different RA methods suggest different ages for the same deposit—a very real problem when using RA methods in stratigraphic studies. One must make a judgment as to which method(s) gives the most reliable indication of age. In most instances, we have taken the oldest indicated age as being closest to the true age because geomorphic processes such as spalling occasionally may make a deposit appear younger than its true age. The ranges in relative-age data for recognizing and distinguishing map units are described in Table 1.

Moss (1951a, 1951b) first demonstrated the usefulness of RA methods for differentiating late Pleistocene and Holocene tills in the Wind River Range. Additional RA data, numeric ages, and correlation of deposits in the Wind River Range are provided by Richmond (1965, 1986), Currey (1974), Dahms (2002, 2004b), Dahms et al. (2003), Davis et al. (1998), Fall et

TABLE 1. DESCRIPTION OF MAP UNITS AND DESCRIPTION OF RELATIVE-AGE CRITERIA FOR THEIR RECOGNITION (NORTHERN, MIDDLE, AND SOUTHERN AREAS)

Qg	Gannett Peak alloformation (latest Holocene). Deposits of this alloformation are closest to the cirque headwalls and valley sidewalls. Till, rock-glacier, protalus-rampart, and rockfall deposits are included in this unit. Little post-depositional alteration has occurred (Tables 2–6). Vegetation is generally absent. Lichen cover is <10% for any boulder and <1%, on average, for the deposit. The range in lichen diameters is as follows: <i>Rhizocarpon geographicum</i> , s.l., absent to 35 mm; <i>Lecanora thomsonii</i> , absent to 95 mm; <i>Lecidea aspicilia</i> , absent to 84 mm; <i>Lecidea atrobrunnea</i> , absent to 72 mm; and <i>C. elegans</i> , absent to 70 mm. The deposits show no rock weathering, and loess is absent. Soil development is limited to 6 cm or less of very weak oxidation, and/or 2 cm of A-horizon development (Tables 2, 3). Only at Dinwoody Glacier (Fig. 3) were we able to differentiate younger (Gpty) and older (Gpto) Gannett Peak tills, and the separation there was based only on lichen data (Tables 4–6).
Qbj	Black Joe alloformation (late Holocene). Deposits of this alloformation usually are immediately downvalley or downslope of those of the Gannett Peak alloformation. Till, rock-glacier, and protalus-rampart deposits are included in this unit and exhibit sufficient post-depositional alteration to be readily differentiated from both younger and older deposits (Tables 2–6). Vegetation is generally absent, or covers <5–10% of the surface. Lichen cover per boulder ranges from 10% to 85%, and cover for a site varies from 10% to about 65%, but most deposits have an average lichen cover of <40%. Lichen diameters vary in size as follows: <i>R. geographicum</i> , s.l., 10–70 mm; <i>L. thomsonii</i> , 60–171 mm; <i>L. aspicilia</i> , 40–190 mm; <i>L. atrobrunnea</i> , 30–176 mm; and <i>C. elegans</i> , 35–67 mm. Surface boulders are slightly weathered and characteristics vary as follows: feldspar phenocryst relief, 0–7 mm; oxidation, none to oxidized, but most are slightly oxidized; weathering, none to 88%, but most sites have values of less than ~10%; pitting, none to 35%, and commonly the pits are quite subtle; and depth of pits, 0–40 mm. A subtle, thin surface spalling was also recognized on some clasts. Loess is absent. Soils include A/Cox profiles, or just Cox horizons; the Cox horizons are subtle, and thicknesses range from 5 to 15 cm.
Qal	Alice Lake alloformation (middle Holocene). Deposits of this alloformation usually lie between those of the Black Joe alloformation (upvalley or upslope) and the Temple Lake alloformation (downvalley or downslope). Till, rock-glacier, protalus-rampart, and rockfall deposits are included in this unit. Sufficiently distinctive post-depositional alteration features are present to allow these deposits to be readily differentiated from those of the Black Joe alloformation, but there are some problems in differentiating the Alice Lake alloformation from the Temple Lake alloformation. Till of this alloformation may have a full alpine tundra vegetation cover. Lichen cover varies from 75% to 90% per boulder, and most boulders have a lichen cover of about 85%. We have fewer data than for other alloformations on average lichen cover per deposit, but the range is 35% to 85%. The range of thallus diameters is 5 to 138 mm for <i>R. geographicum</i> , s.l., with few thalli found at the lower end of the size range. The ranges of sizes for the other lichens are: <i>L. thomsonii</i> , 80–115 mm; <i>L. aspicilia</i> , 131–181 mm; and <i>L. atrobrunnea</i> , 79–215 mm. It should be noted, however, that the latter three lichen species probably reach senescence in a couple of thousand years and therefore are providing only information on the minimum age of deposits of this alloformation. Weathering is fairly well developed. The range in weathering parameters is as follows: feldspar phenocrysts, 10–20 mm relief; surfaces are slightly oxidized to oxidized, with the latter class dominant; weathered clasts range from 2% to 64%, with most sites grouped toward the middle of the range; pitting, 15% to 66%, and depth of pits, 35–120 mm, with most boulders pitted to depths <100 mm. This is the youngest deposit for which a surface layer of loess or mixed loess is present, and its thickness ranges from 0 to 33 cm. The analyzed soils are mostly A/Bw or Bt/Cox profiles, with a B-horizon thickness range of 6–14 cm. Where the Cu horizon is encountered, it is at a depth greater than 12 cm; for many soils, however, Cu material was not encountered in soil pits that ranged from 27 to 72 cm deep. For soils described in the field but not analyzed (Table 3), B-horizon thicknesses vary from 4 to 41 cm, but most are <30 cm thick. If the Cu horizon is present in shallow soils, it is at 15 cm or more depth.
Qtl	Temple Lake alloformation (latest Pleistocene). Deposits of this alloformation usually lie downvalley or downslope of those of the Alice Lake alloformation. Till, rock-glacier, protalus-rampart, and rockfall deposits are included in this unit. Only a few post-depositional alteration features distinguish this alloformation from the Alice Lake alloformation (Tables 2–6). Vegetation (full cover) and lichen data (<i>R. geographicum</i> diameter 60–141 mm) cannot be used to distinguish this unit from the Alice Lake alloformation because vegetation is often the same and lichens have reached nearly maximum diameters and percent cover on the Alice Lake deposits, or even on still younger deposits for some lichen species. Data on weathering features are as follows: surface clasts are oxidized; 17% to 84% of clasts are weathered and >50% of the clasts are weathered on most deposits; 31% to 79% of the clasts are pitted; pit depths vary from 75 to 250 mm, with most values >100 mm. Loess or loess mixed with local parent material varies in thickness from 0 to 46 cm; loess is absent at only one site. The analyzed soils are A/Bt or Bw/Cox profiles (Table 2), with a B-horizon thickness that ranges from 11 to 36 cm. Cu material was never encountered even though the soil pits ranged from 43 to 146 cm in depth. For soils described in the field (Table 3), the B-horizons vary in thickness from 6 to 50 cm, and where Cu material was encountered, it is at a depth of 32 cm or more. Although there is considerable overlap in data between the Temple Lake and Alice Lake alloformations (Table 3), the two can best be distinguished on depth of pitting and B-horizon properties (especially thickness and color).
Qp	Till of Pinedale glaciation (late Pleistocene). Pinedale glacial deposits mapped here have muted moraine morphology and lie immediately downvalley of deposits of the Temple Lake alloformation. Data for these deposits consist chiefly of soil profile development in Stough Creek Basin (data in Dahms, 2002) and isolated profiles elsewhere. Soils are A/Bt(Bw)/Cox under tundra or A/E/Bs/Cox profiles under forest with B-horizon thicknesses that range from 10 to 46 cm. Munsell colors often are 7.5YR hues under forest and less often under tundra. Cu material was encountered from 62 to 80 cm. There is considerable overlap in data among the soil profiles developed under tundra on the Temple Lake alloformation and the Pinedale alloformation.

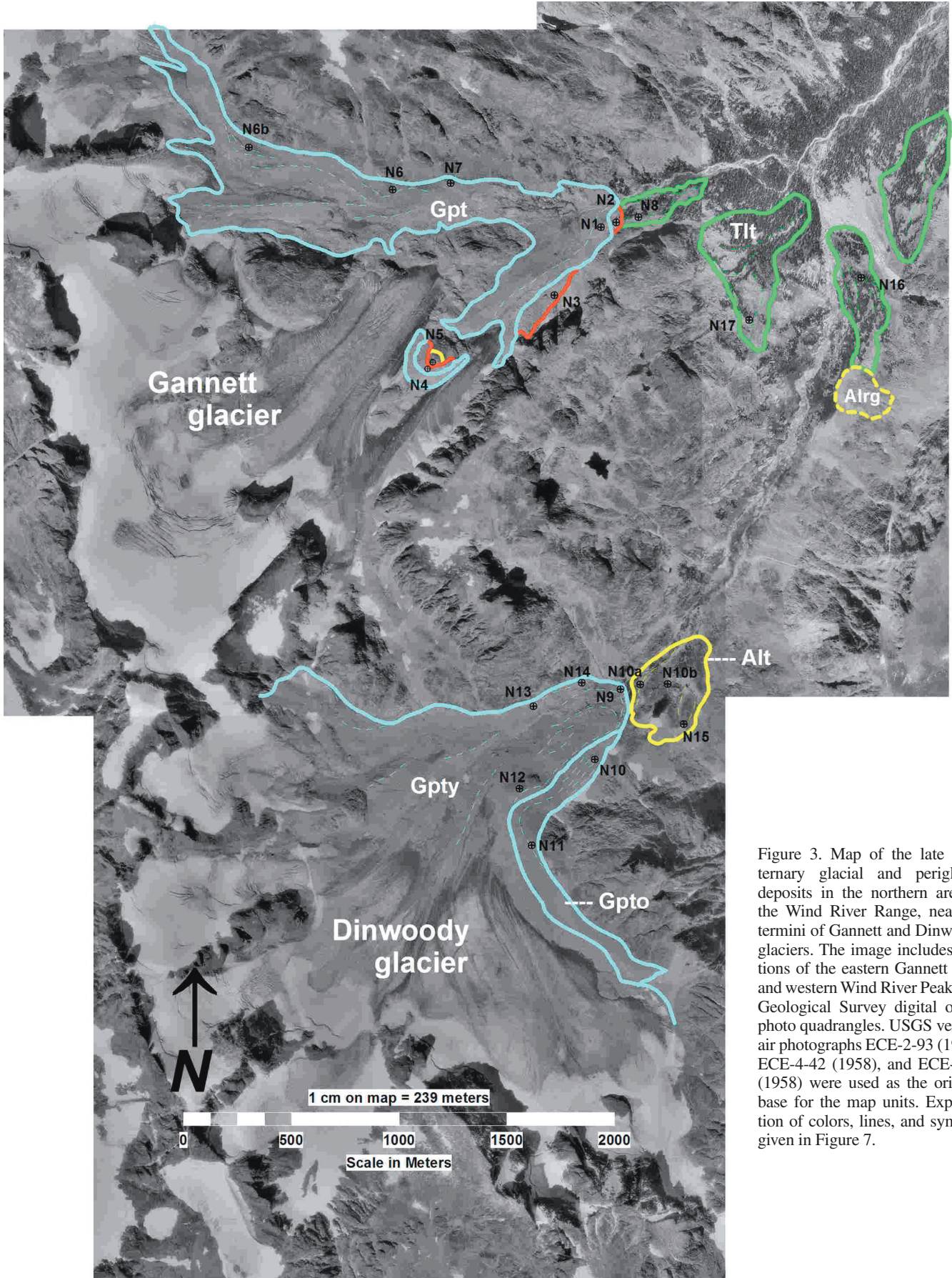


Figure 3. Map of the late Quaternary glacial and periglacial deposits in the northern area of the Wind River Range, near the termini of Gannett and Dinwoody glaciers. The image includes portions of the eastern Gannett Peak and western Wind River Peak U.S. Geological Survey digital orthophoto quadrangles. USGS vertical air photographs ECE-2-93 (1957), ECE-4-42 (1958), and ECE-4-44 (1958) were used as the original base for the map units. Explanation of colors, lines, and symbols given in Figure 7.

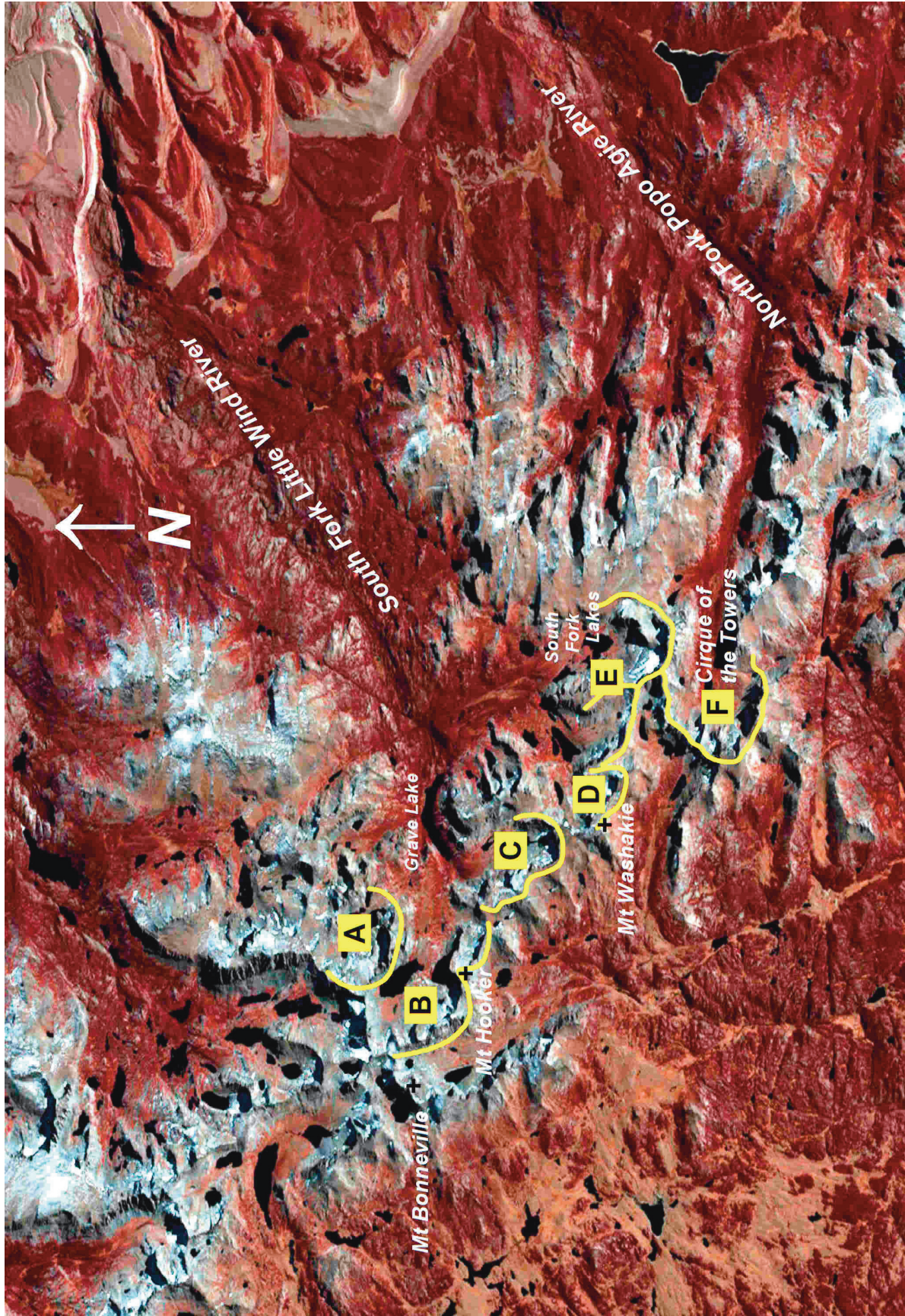
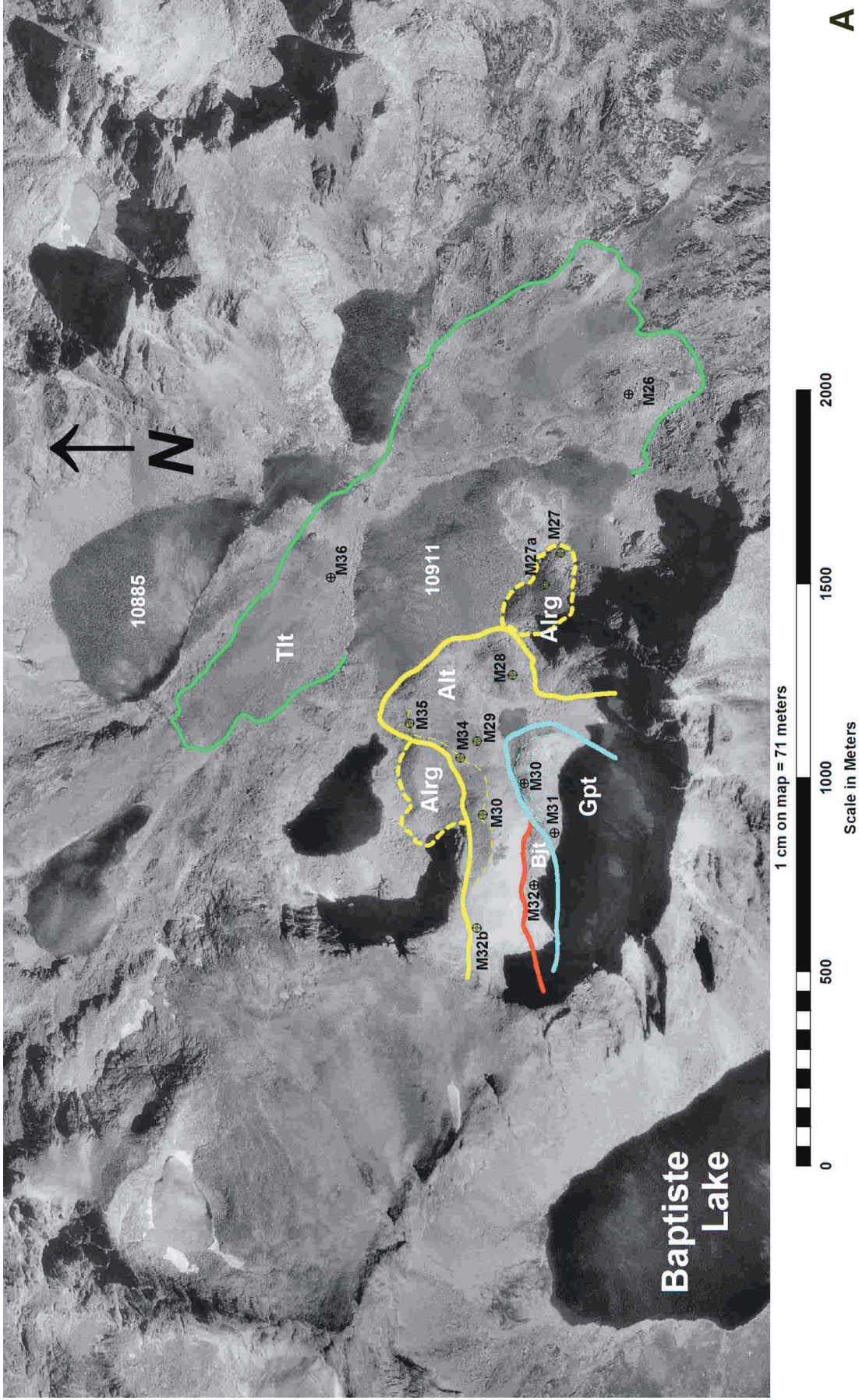


Figure 4 (continued on following pages). Index map for Late Quaternary glacial and periglacial deposits in the Middle Area between Mount Bonneville and Cirque of the Towers, Wind River Range, Wyoming. Letters identify areas corresponding to detailed maps shown as Figures 4A–4F. Associated field and laboratory data are included in Tables 2 through 6. The Middle Area is located on the Roberts Mountain, Mount Bonneville, and Lizard Head Peak U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) digital orthophoto quadrangles. Explanation of colors, lines, and symbols for all detailed maps given in Figure 7.



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Figure 4 (continued). (A) Map of the late Quaternary glacial and periglacial deposits in area 4A of the Middle Area. USGS vertical air photographs ECD-12-88 and 89 (8-13-1957) were used as a base for the map.

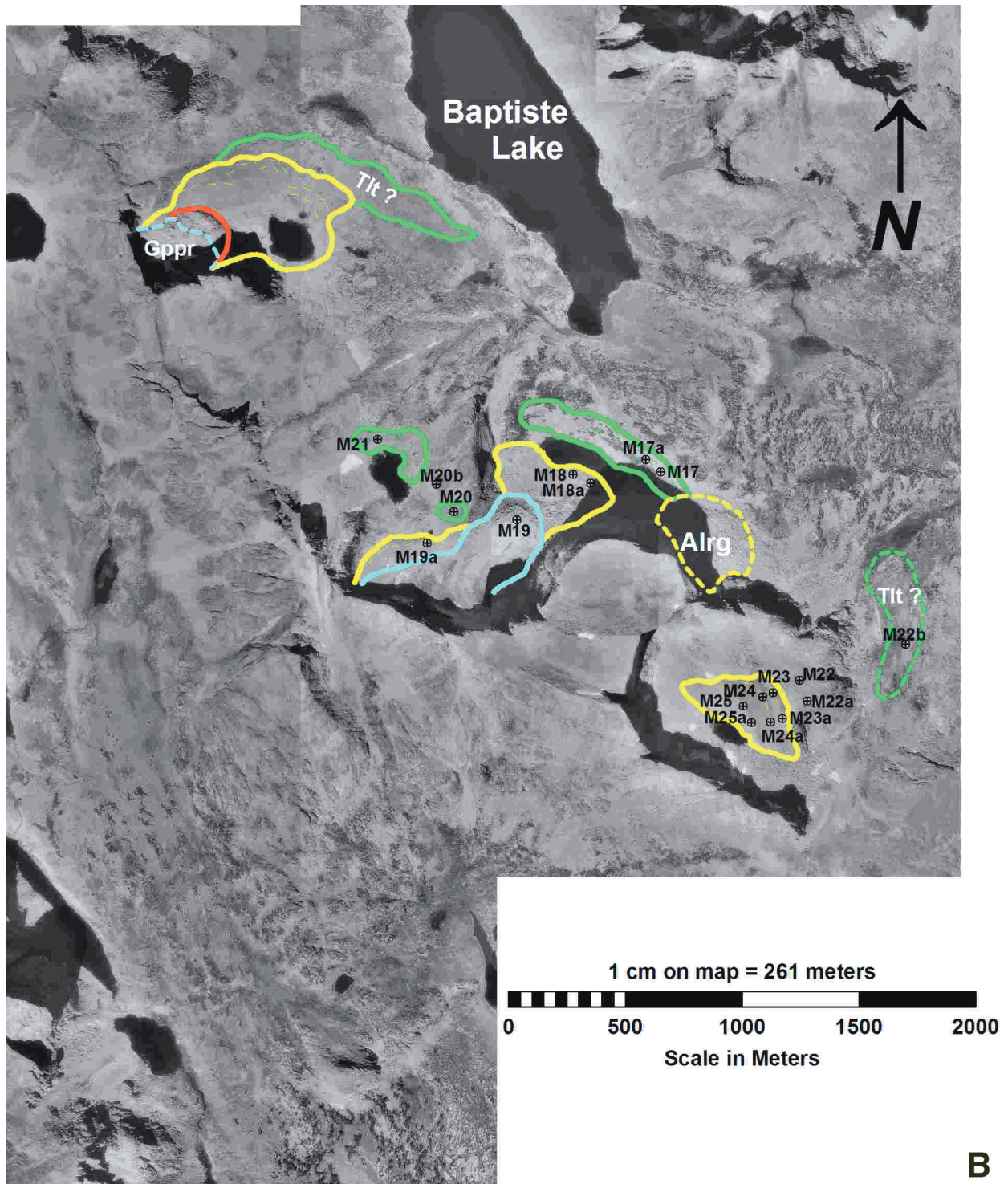


Figure 4 (*continued*). (B) Map of the late Quaternary glacial and periglacial deposits in area 4B of the Middle Area. USGS vertical air photographs ECD-11-88 and 89 (8-3-1957) were used as a base for the map.

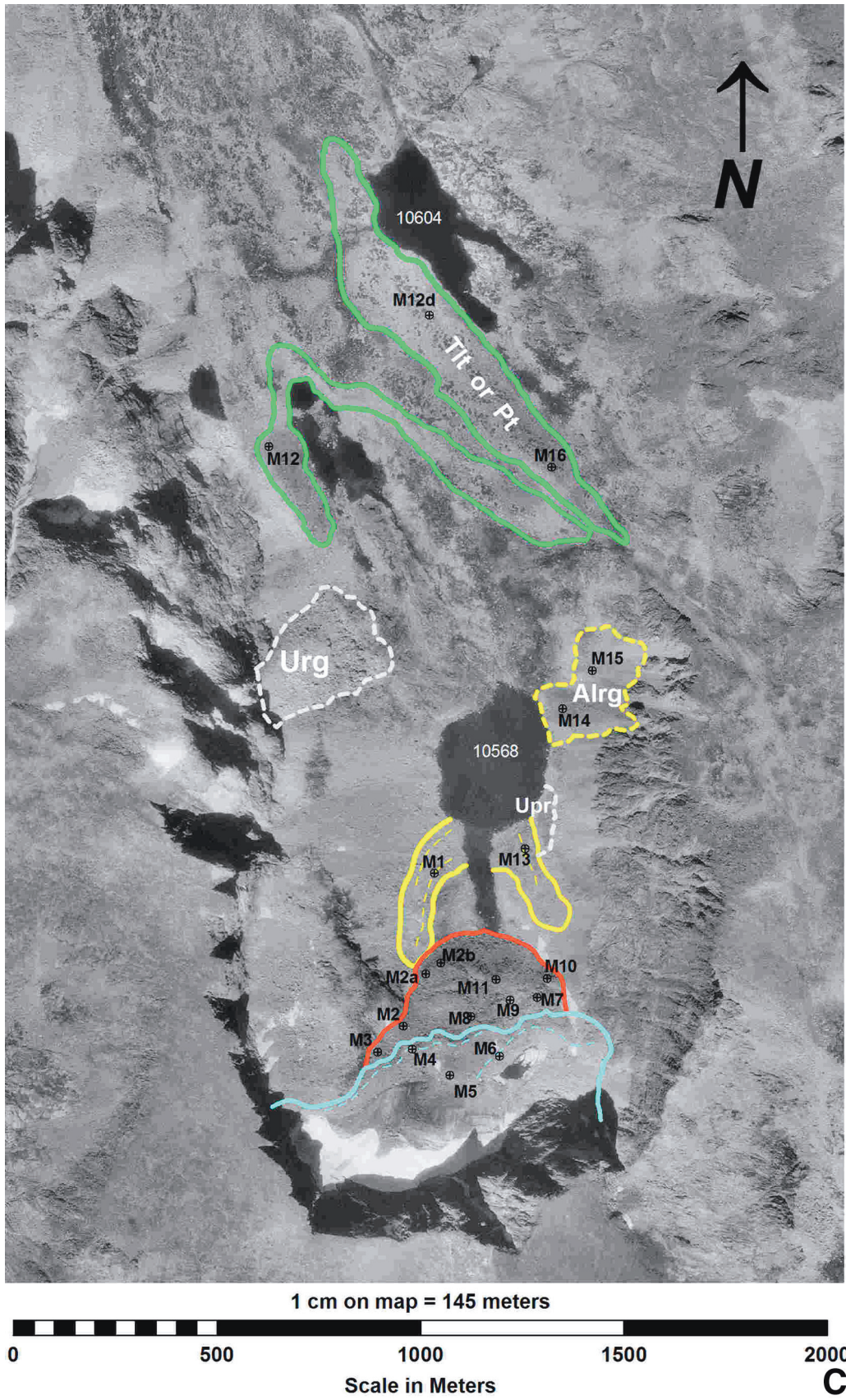


Figure 4 (continued). (C) Map of the late Quaternary glacial and periglacial deposits in area 4C of the Middle Area. USGS vertical air photographs ECD-12-86 and 87 (8-13-1957) were used as a base for the map.

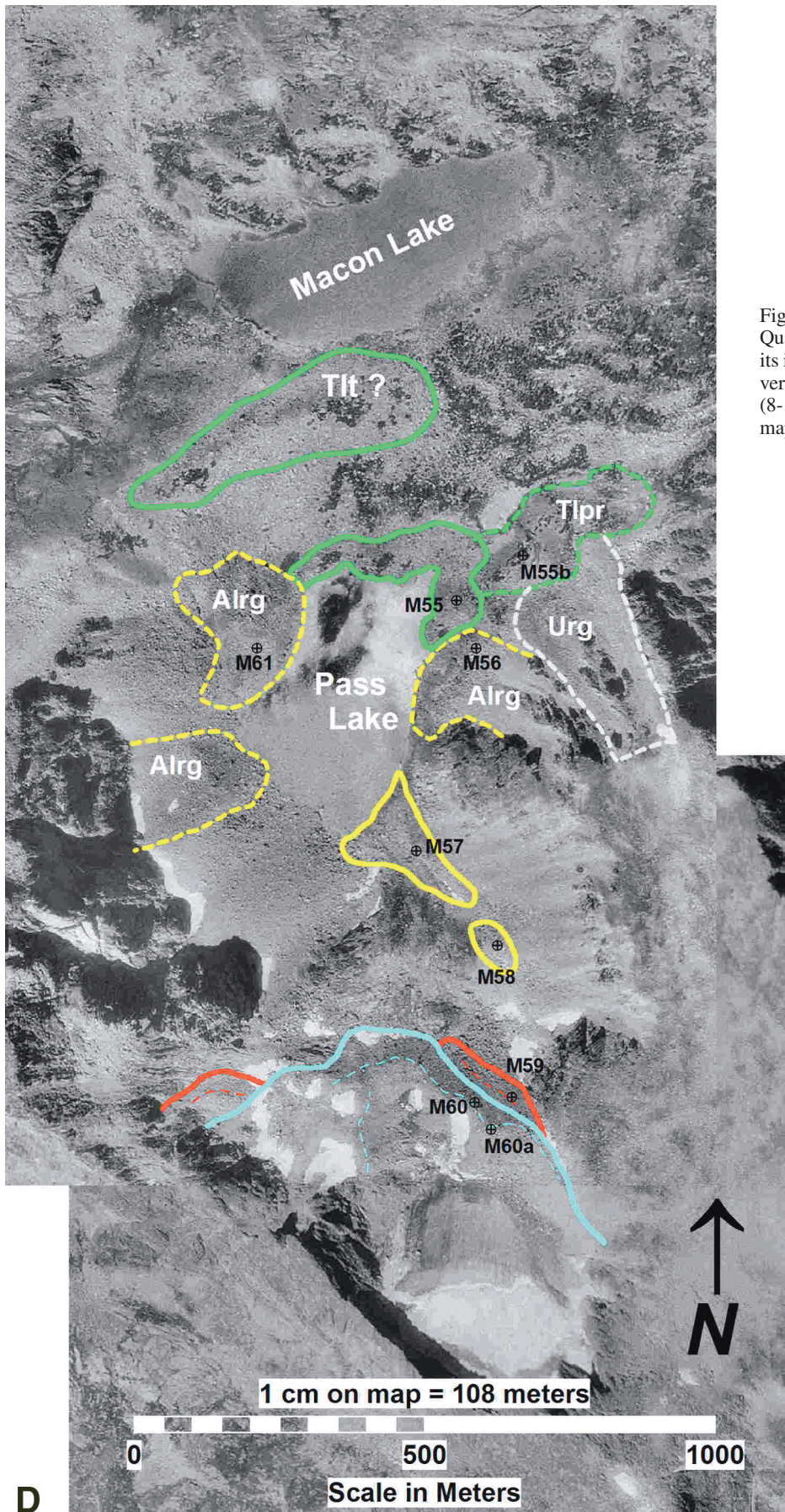


Figure 4 (*continued*). (D) Map of the late Quaternary glacial and periglacial deposits in area 4D of the Middle Area. USGS vertical air photograph ECD-12-85 (8-13-1957) was used as a base for the map.

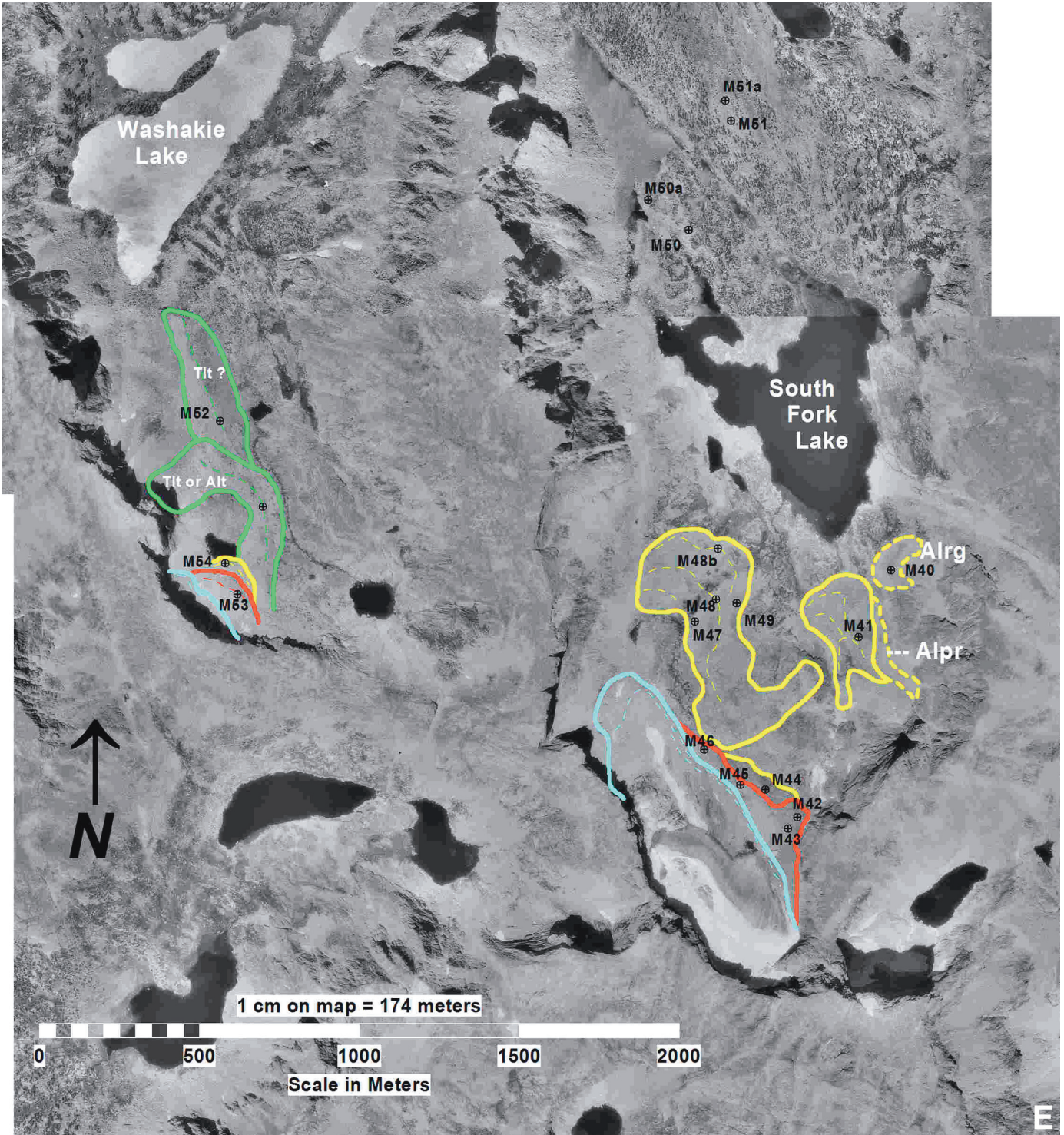


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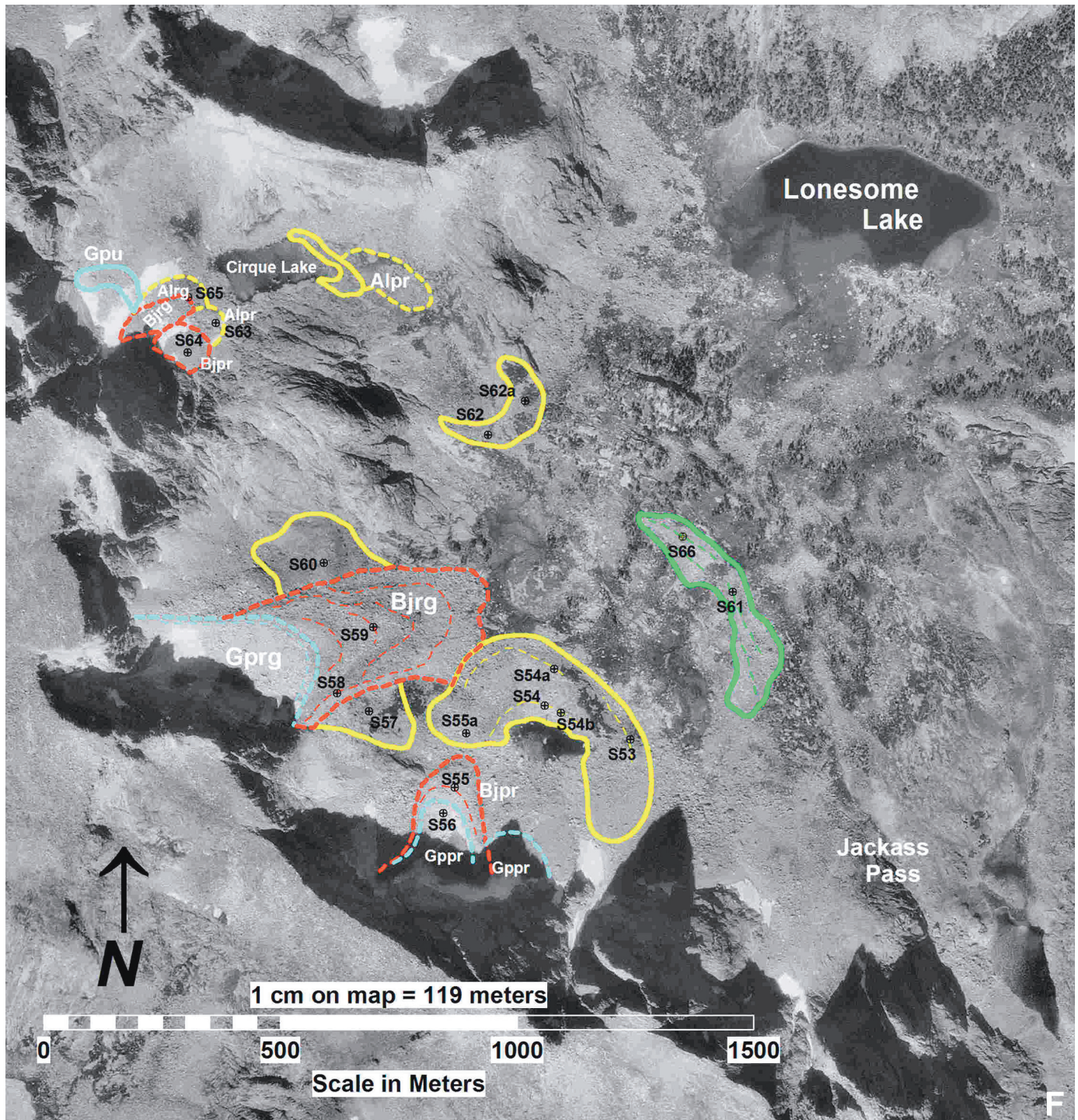


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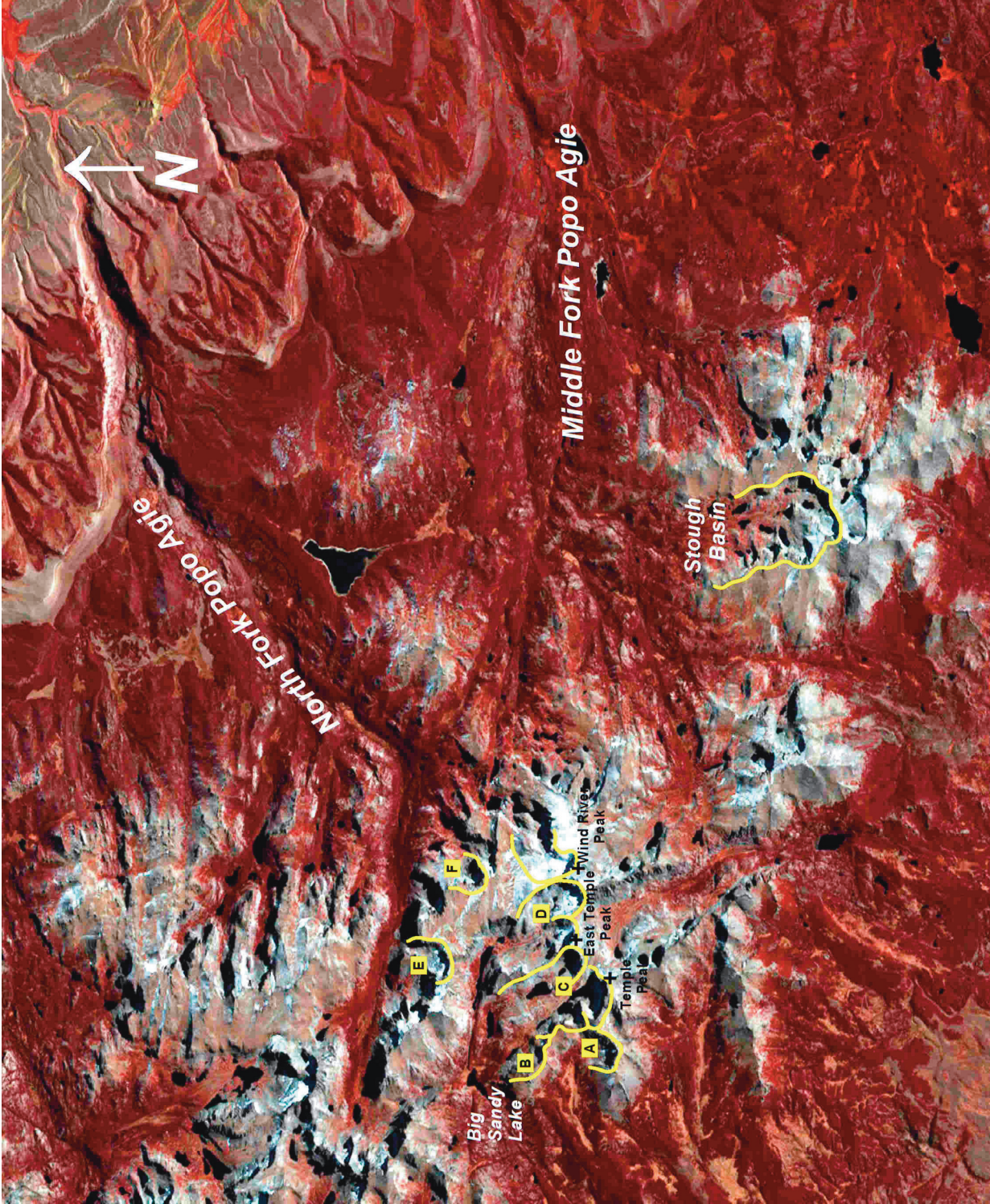


Figure 5 (continued on following pages). Index map for late Quaternary glacial and periglacial deposits in the Southern Area, near Temple Lake, Wind River Range, Wyoming. Letters identify areas corresponding to detailed maps shown as Figures 5A–5F. Associated field and laboratory data are included in Tables 2 through 6. The Southern Area study region is located entirely on the Temple Lake U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) 7.5 digital orthophoto quadrangle. Explanation of colors, lines, and symbols for all detailed maps given in Figure 7.

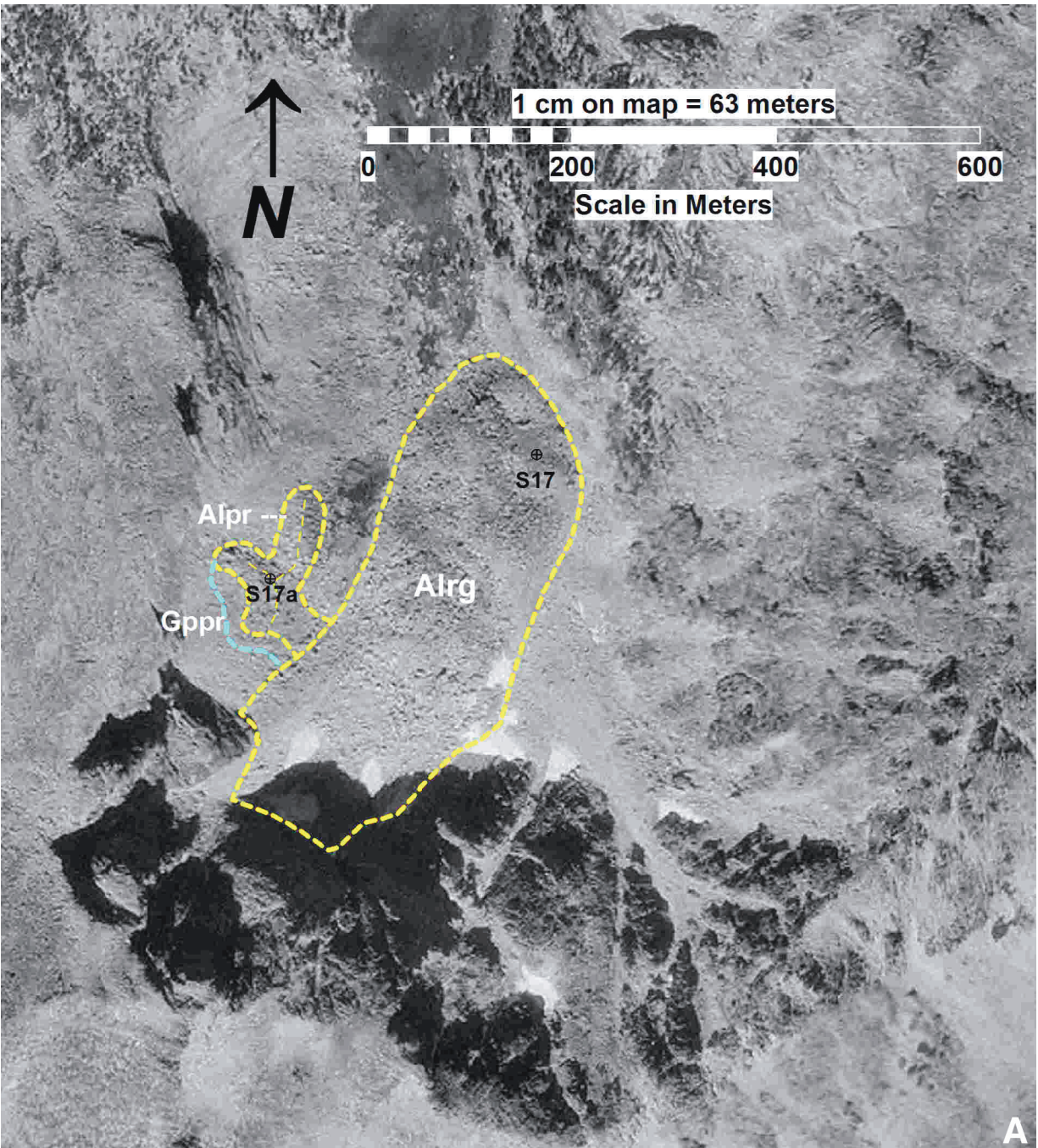


Figure 5 (*continued*). (A) Map of the late Quaternary glacial and periglacial deposits in area 5A of the Southern Area. USGS vertical air photograph DZT-18-182 (9-22-1955) was used as a base for the map.

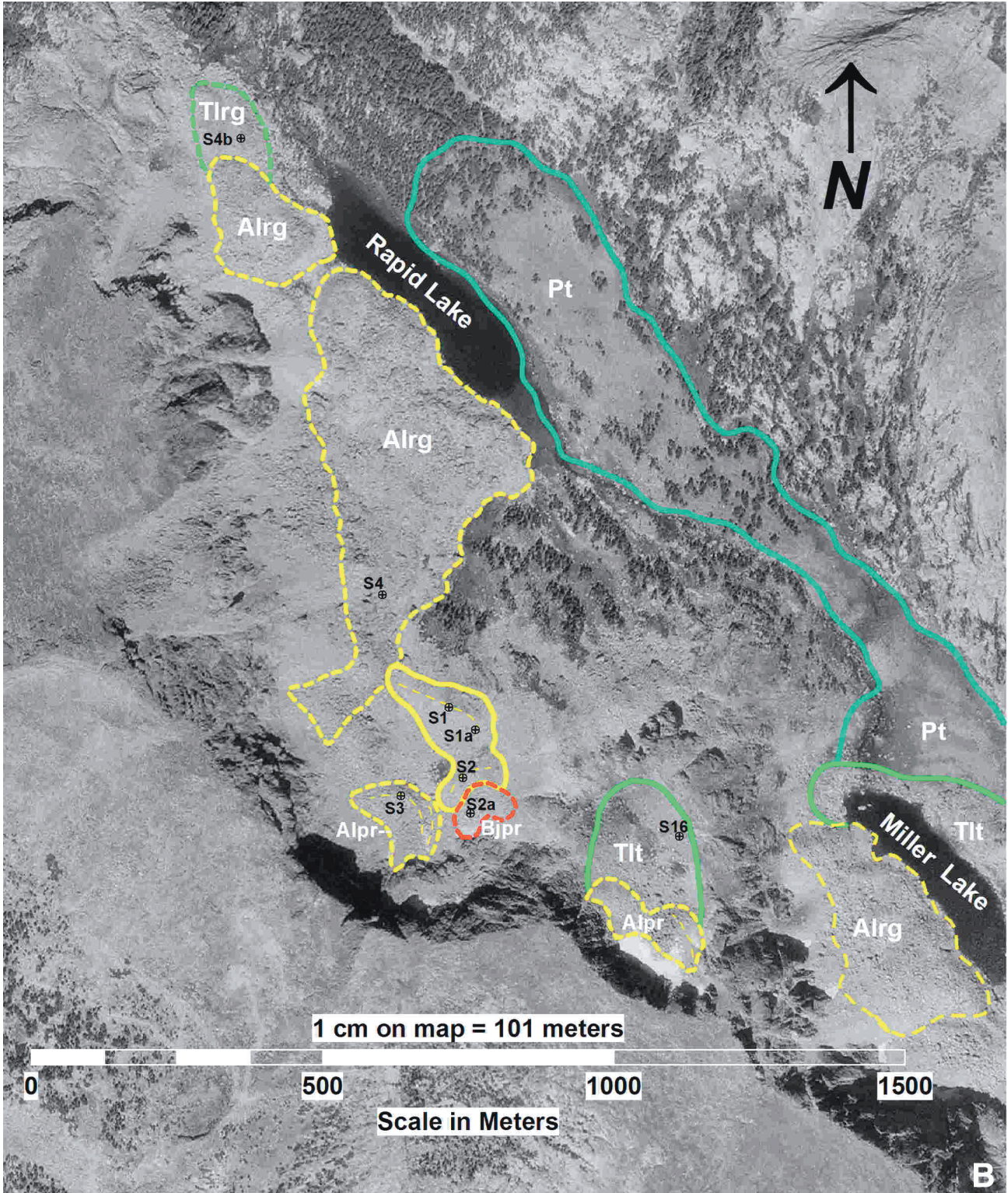


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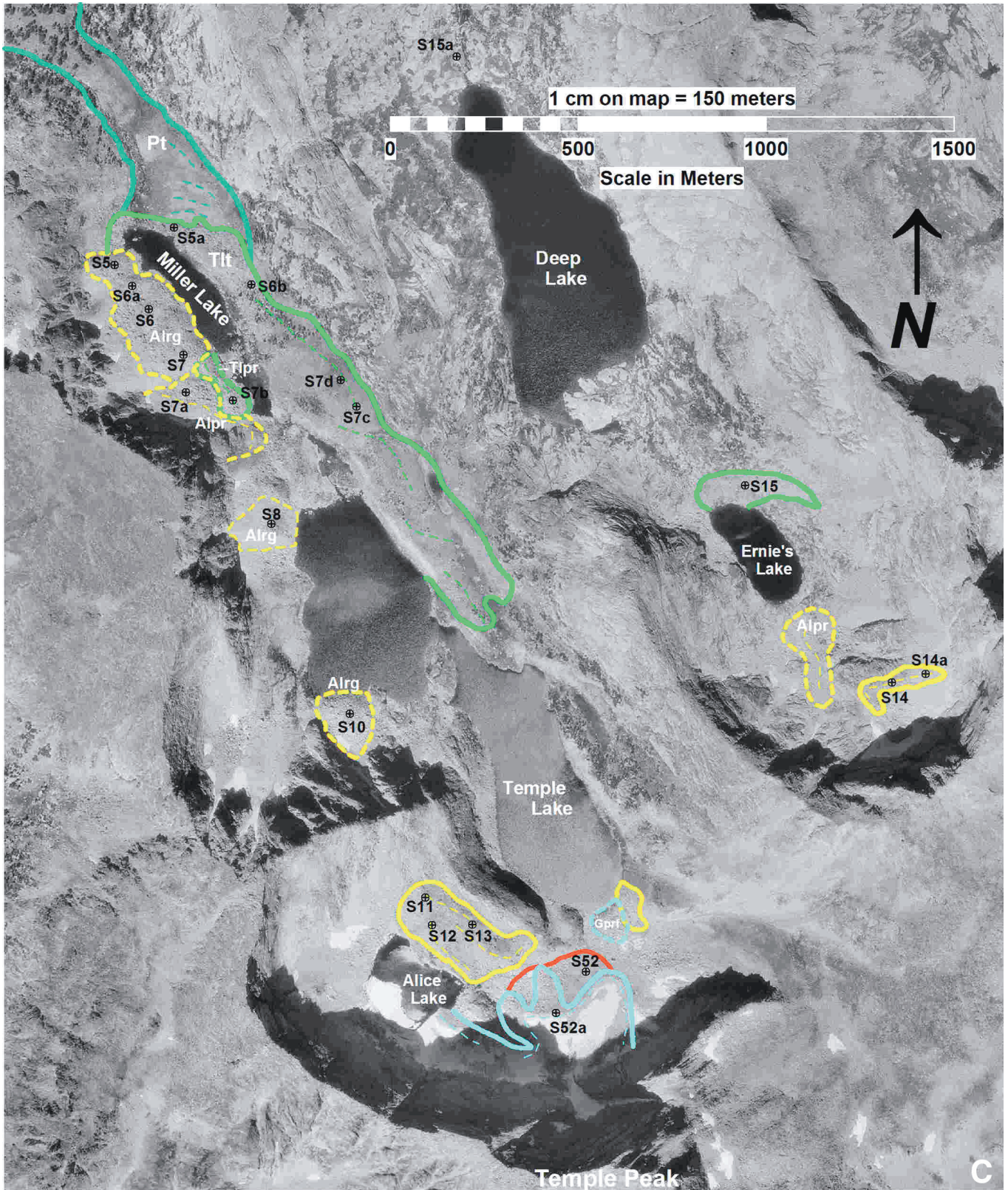


Figure 5 (continued). (C) Map of the late Quaternary glacial and periglacial deposits in area 5C of the Southern Area. USGS vertical air photographs DZT-23-21 and 22 (10-14-1955) were used as a base for the map.

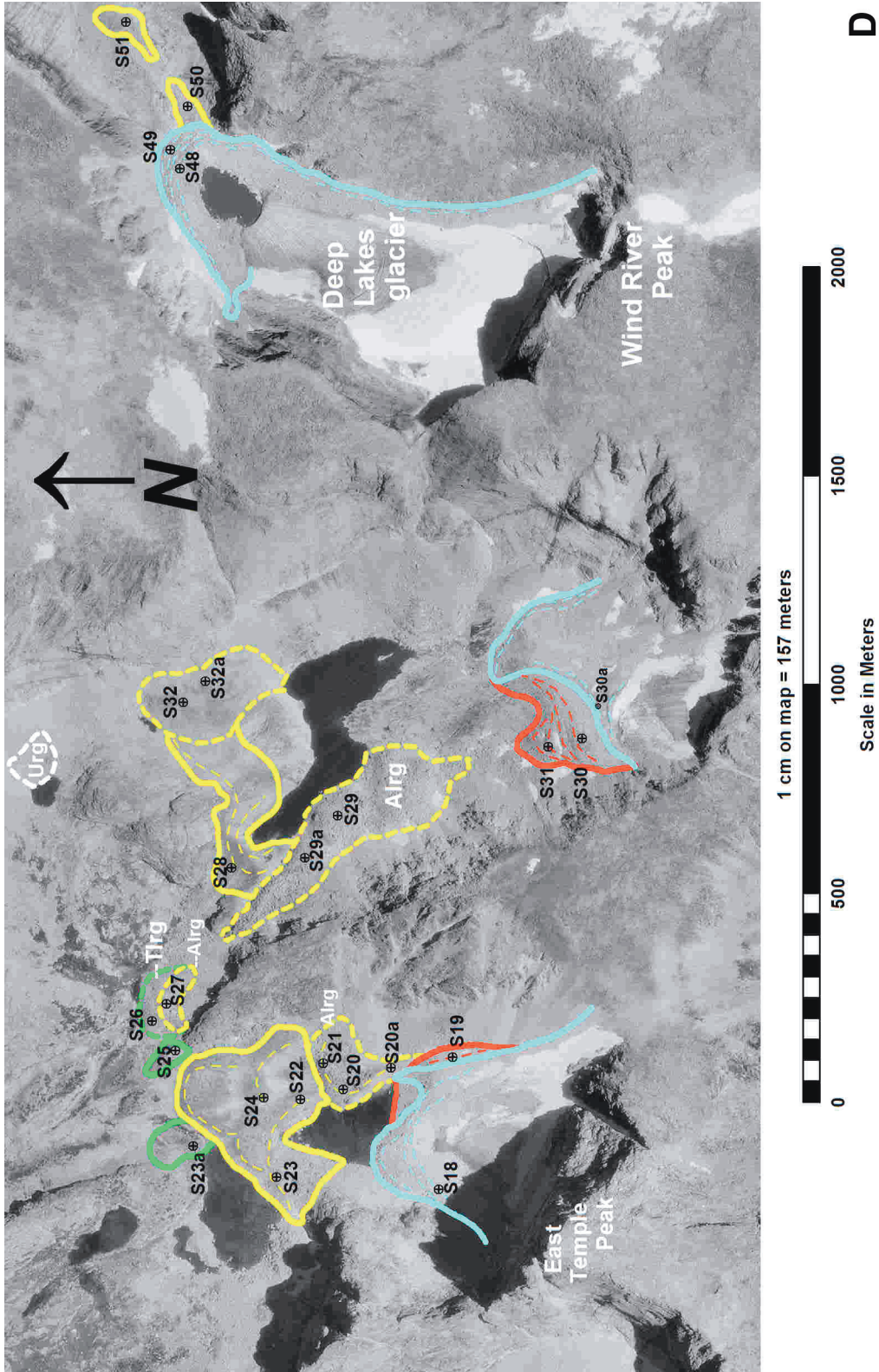


Figure 5 (continued). (D) Map of the late Quaternary glacial and periglacial deposits in area 5D of the Southern Area. USGS vertical air photograph DZT-23-54 (10-14-1955) was used as a base for the map.

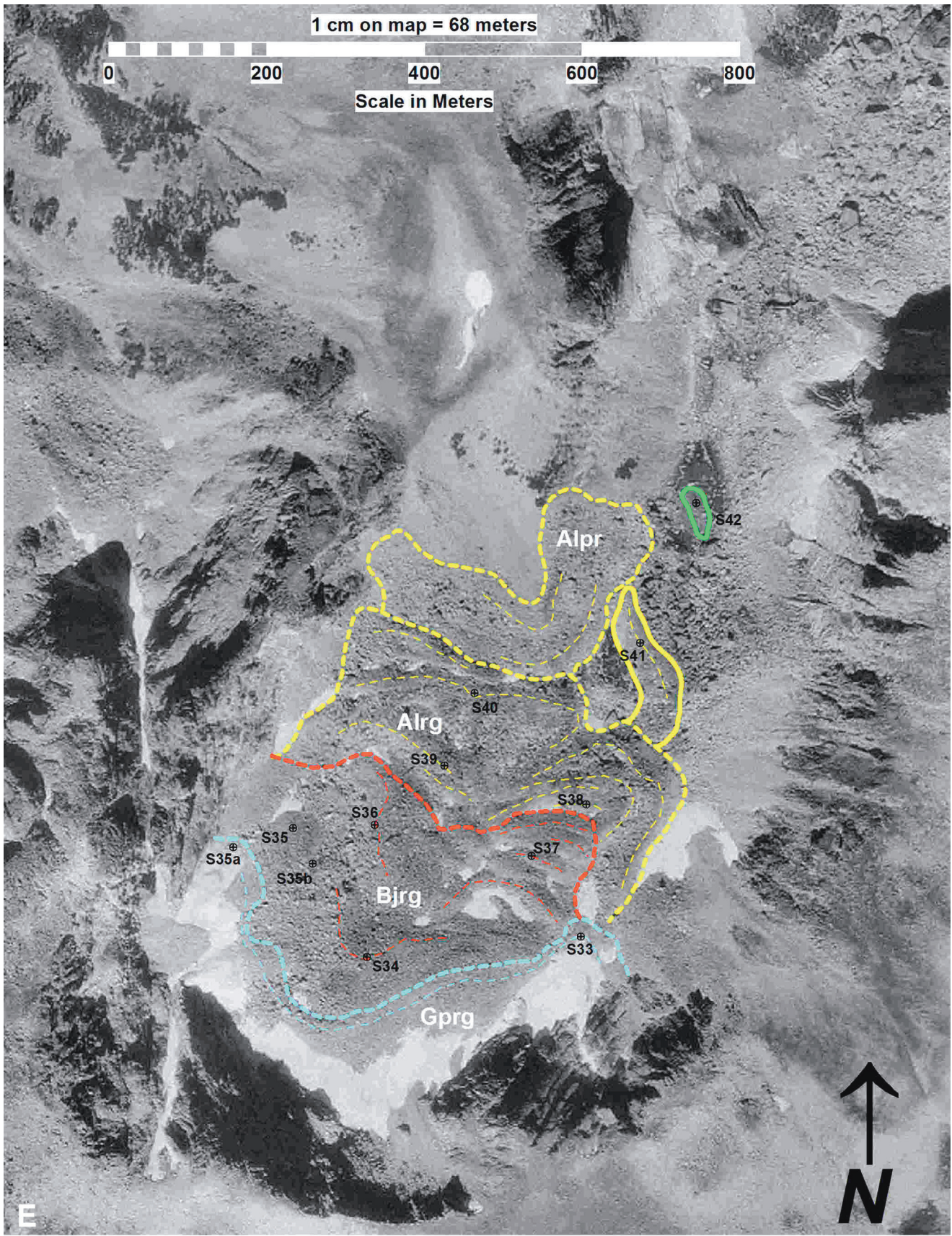


Figure 5 (continued). (E) Map of the late Quaternary glacial and periglacial deposits in area 5E of the Southern Area. USGS vertical air photograph DZT-23-25 (10-14-1955) was used as a base for the map.

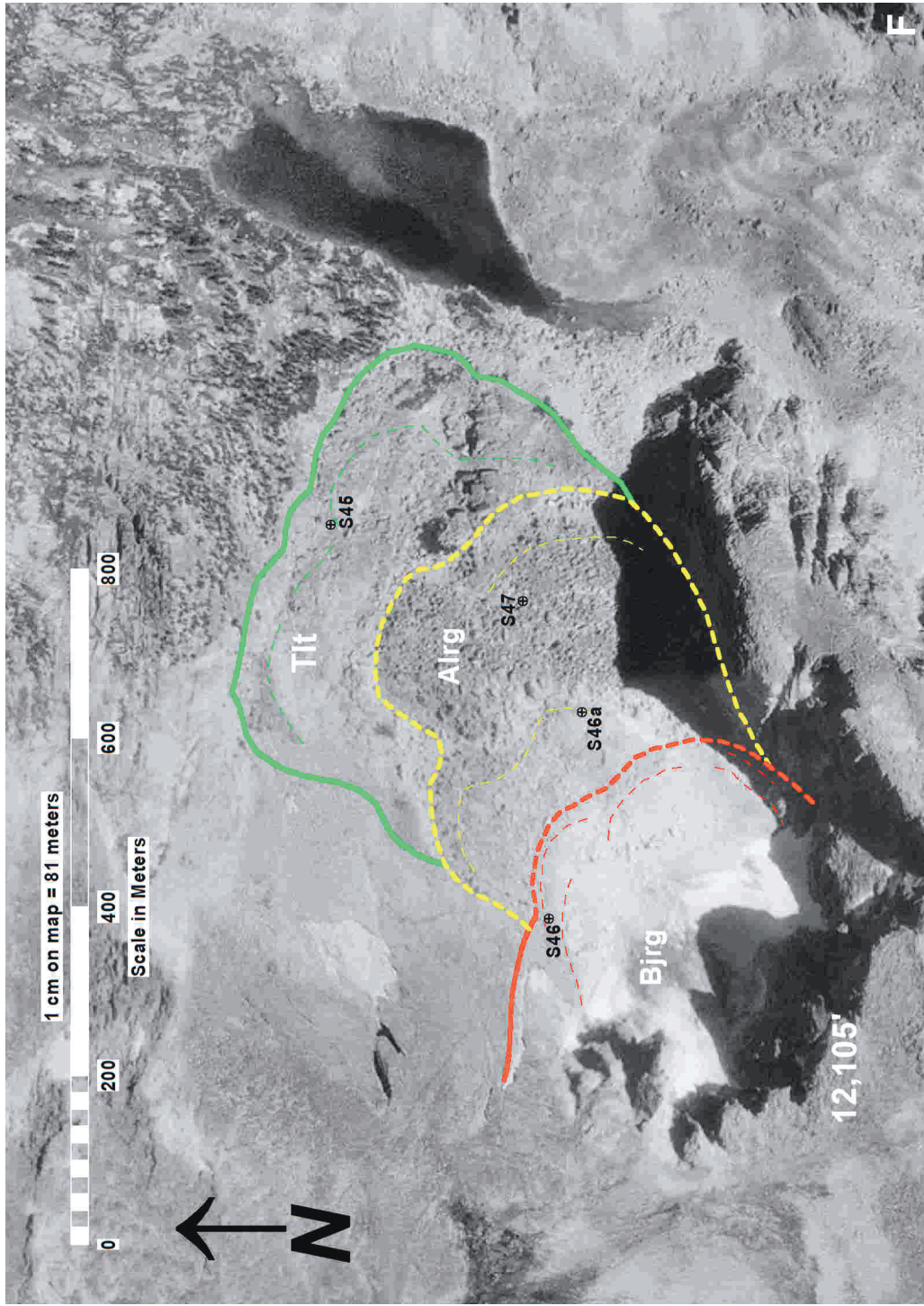


Figure 5 (continued). (F) Map of the late Quaternary glacial and periglacial deposits in area 5F of the Southern Area. USGS vertical air photograph DZT-23-56 (10-14-1955) was used as a base for the map.

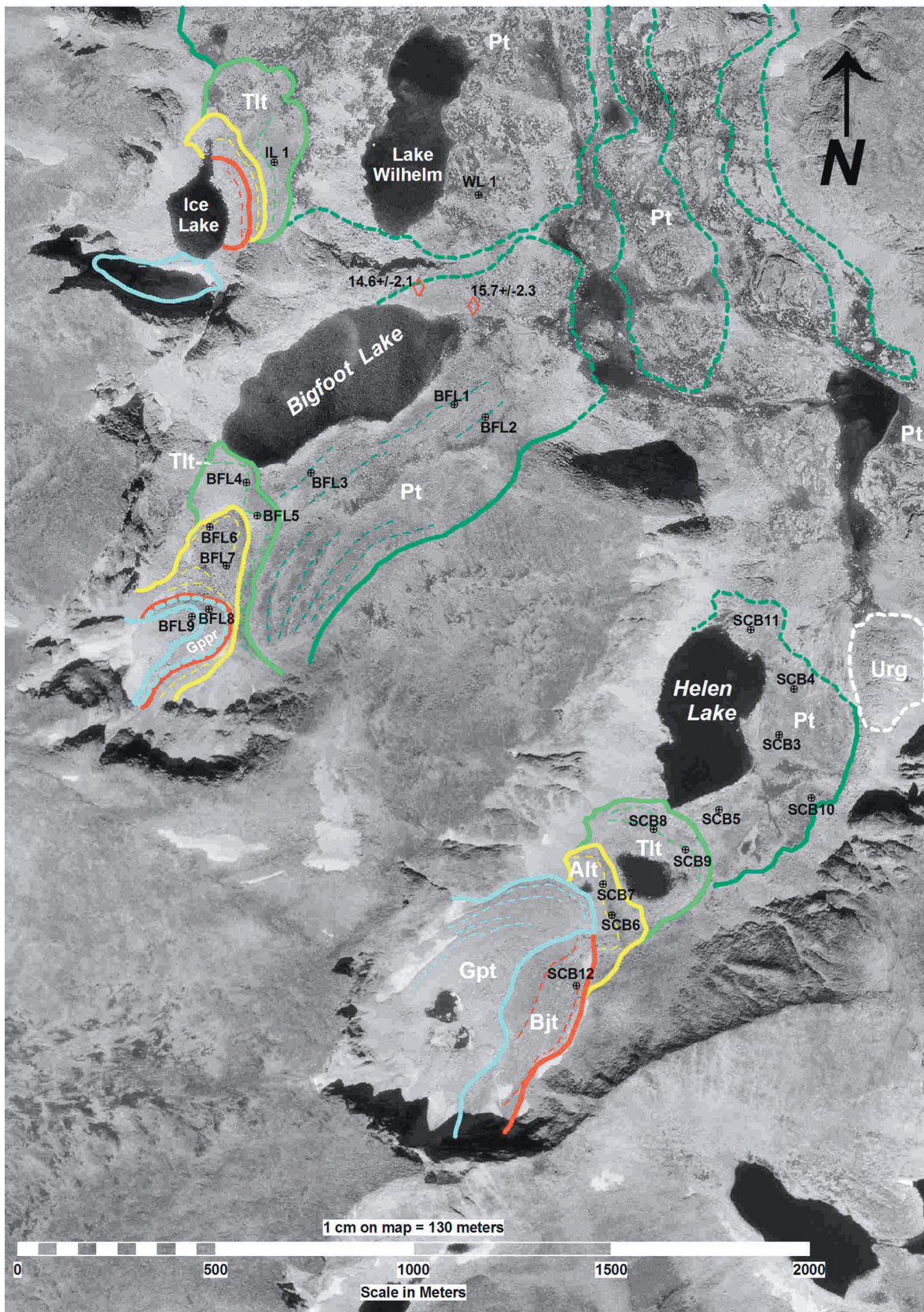


Figure 6. Map of the late Quaternary glacial and periglacial deposits in the southern region of Stough Creek Basin, in the southern Wind River Range, Wyoming. The image is a portion of the SE quadrant of the Sweetwater Gap U.S. Geological Survey orthophoto quadrangle. Explanation of colors, lines, and symbols for all detailed maps given in Figure 7. The ^{10}Be ages shown NE of Bigfoot Lake are given as k.y.

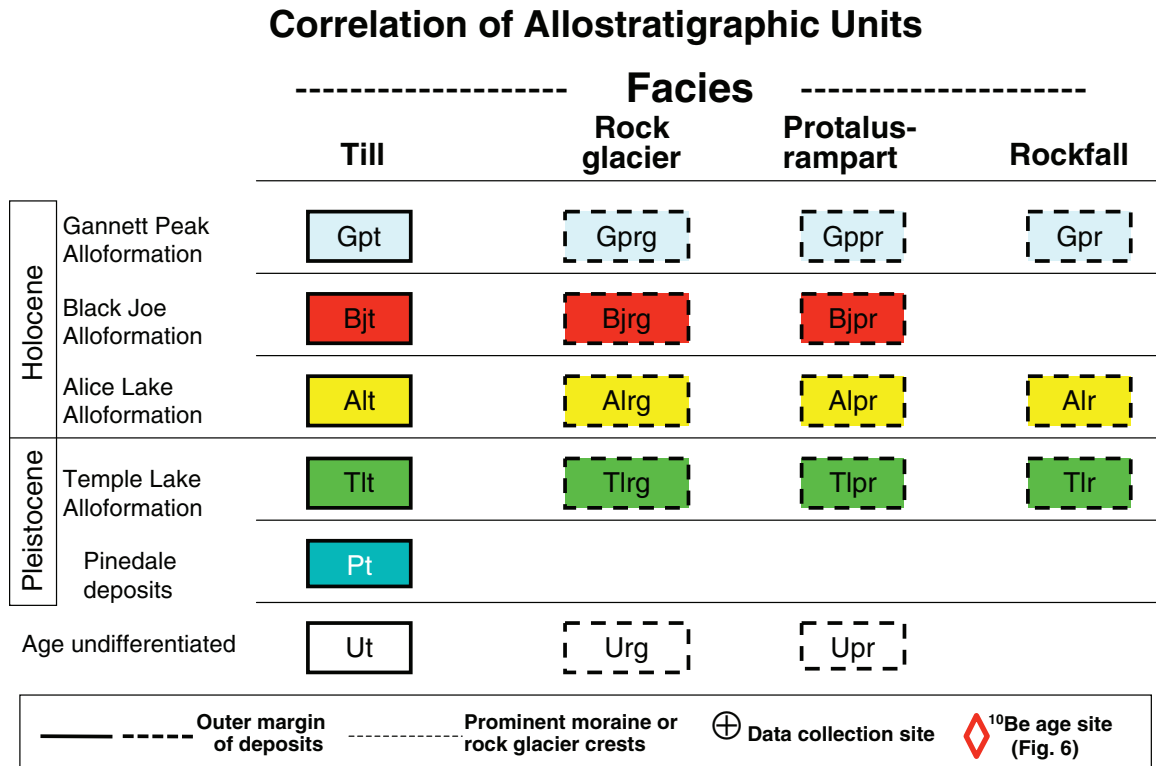


Figure 7. Key to mapped allostratigraphic units (Figs. 3, 4A–4F, 5A–5F, 6) in the three study areas of the Wind River Range. For visual clarity, only the till units are mapped with solid lines.

al. (1995), Gosse et al. (1995a, 1995b, 1999), Miller and Birkeland (1974), Mahaney (1978, 1984a, 1984b, 1987, 1988), Burke and Birkeland (1983), Mahaney et al., (1984a, 1984b), Mahaney and Halvorson (1986), Zielinski (1989), and Zielinski and Davis (1987, 1988). Most of the above studies took place before the development of cosmogenic dating techniques. The advantage of the RA methods is that they can be used in the field while mapping. RA methods can also be used to identify suitable sites for subsequent cosmogenic dating.

Lichen Parameters

Too few numerical ages are yet available from the Wind River Range from which to construct a detailed growth-rate curve for the range similar to that constructed by Benedict for the Front Range of Colorado (1967, 1968, 1973, 1981, 1985). The first lichen data for the Wind River Range was published by Miller and Birkeland (1974) for the Temple Lake valley in the southern part of the range. Mahaney (1987) constructed the first lichen growth curve for the Wind River Range from Stroud Basin (~3 km east of Titcomb Basin) in the northern range based on a single ¹⁴C age. Mahaney’s reported growth rate (3.0 mm/100 yr) for the linear portion of the lichen growth curve (above the great growth period of the initial 100 yr) for *Rhizocarpon geographicum*, sensu lato is lower than Benedict’s (1985) growth rate (3.3 mm/100 yr) for the Colorado Front Range.

Benedict’s curves for the Colorado Front Range (1967, 1968, 1985) and Mahaney’s curve for Stroud Basin were both constructed using the largest maximum thalli diameter. Mahaney’s curve was based on a single radiocarbon age of 2760 ± 110 yr B.P. (Gak-9597) from “a pocket of detrital plant material” found in/on “an outwash deposit (STR21)”...“between an outer and inner end moraine of Indian Basin age” (Mahaney, 1987). Thus, the relation between the deposition of the outwash and that of either moraine is uncertain.

Dahms (2002) developed a growth curve for *R. geographicum*, s.l. on moraine boulders in Stough Creek Basin of ~2.2 mm/100 yr using different parameters (average of the five largest *minimum* thalli diameters) based only on the inferred ages of the deposits in the basin (Fig. 6 of this report). Using the lichen diameters of *R. geographicum*, s.l. that we present in Tables 4, 5, and 6 of this report (e.g., all studied valleys), Dahms (2002, figure 6 therein) also calculated a growth-rate curve for the greater Wind River Range. The growth rate represented by this “all Wind River Range” curve is 2.4 mm/100 yr, close to the growth rate calculated for Stough Creek Basin. Dahms’ two growth rates (2002) are based on our minimum limiting ¹⁴C age of 3895 ± 190 ¹⁴C yr B.P. (GX 3242) on organics in a bog on Alice Lake till below the Dinwoody Glacier (site N10b, Fig. 3).

We originally assumed that growth rates might differ from north-to-south in the Wind River Range because climatic conditions in the north appear to relate more to those of the Yellowstone region than to those in the south (located between the

semi-desert Green River and Wind River basins). Until additional numeric ages can be obtained from our map units, however, we must emphasize that our growth rates are based only on the *presently inferred* ages of the deposits mapped in this report. The volume of lichen size-data presented in this report, however, when combined with future numeric ages on these deposits, eventually should allow a more well-constrained growth curve to be developed for the Wind River Range.

The lichen species used in this study and the methods of data collection are similar to those of other workers (Benedict, 1967; Locke et al., 1980). We measured the diameters of the largest nearly-circular *R. geographicum*, s.l., *Lecanora thomsonii*, *Lecidea atrobrunnea*, and *Lecanora aspicilia* thalli; for each non-circular thallus, the smaller thallus diameter was measured to avoid the possibility of measuring two intergrown thalli. In contrast, other workers (e.g., Benedict and Mahaney) measured the maximum thallus diameter. (One should keep this in mind when comparing data of various workers.) Most of the lichens were readily identified, but we are not certain that all lichens reported as *R. geographicum* are indeed that species (see Benedict, 1967). Field identification is difficult and laboratory study is usually necessary for correct identification (Benedict, 1967, 1988). For this reason, Rodbell (1992) suggested the term *Rhizocarpon subspecies Geographicum*. We use the term *R. geographicum* in the broad sense, for the yellow-green *Rhizocarpon* species (here termed *R. geographicum*, s.l.).

Each site for which lichen measurements are reported represents the results of a search for large thalli that commonly lasted ~30 min or more. In addition to size, the maximum percent lichen cover on boulders and the average percent lichen cover on boulders were visually estimated at most sites (Tables 4–6).

Boulder-Weathering Features

We measured a variety of time-dependent rock-weathering parameters at each site (Tables 4–6). Included in our present data are those previously published by Miller and Birkeland (1974). Mahaney (1978, 1984a, 1984b) and Mahaney et al. (1984b) has published boulder-weathering data for the northern part of the Wind River Range. Currey (1974) published similar data from the Temple Lake valley. Descriptions follow for the various weathering features that we collected.

A. Oxidation of exposed boulder surfaces. As weathering proceeds, the surfaces of clasts become oxidized. Three classes are recognized in this study; unoxidized, slightly oxidized, and oxidized. The latter two classes are distinguished on the basis of intensity and uniformity of oxidation; if oxidation is quite patchy, the boulder is classified as slightly oxidized.

B. Phenocryst relief. K-feldspar phenocrysts locally project above the surface of boulders owing to differential weathering and sloughing off of adjacent minerals. The height of the phenocrysts above the adjacent rock surface was measured.

C. Boulder weathering. Weathered boulders are here defined as those on which at least 25 percent of the exposed surface has

minerals that stand in relief. The amount of relief is approximately one-half the diameter of the average mineral. Thus, surfaces of boulders are relatively rough to the touch, whereas fresh ones are relatively smooth. Boulders were classified as either weathered or fresh. According to this definition, boulder surfaces may have lost material by weathering (e.g., spalling) and still be identified as fresh. Degree of weathering was determined on ~50–100 boulders at each site.

D. Boulder pitting. Pitted boulders are here defined as boulders on which weathering, presumably by grain-by-grain disintegration, has created a closed depression or circular “pit” on boulder surfaces. Pits with planar sides that seem to result from spalling were not measured. Measurements of weathered boulders are separate from measurements of pitted ones, because all combinations of weathering and pitting are possible; just because a boulder is classed as weathered does not mean that it also is pitted, and vice versa. Pit depths can give an indication of the minimum amount of material removed from boulder surfaces. Pit depth was measured from the average boulder surface to the base of the pit. For most deposits, the range of maximum pit depths on many boulders was recorded. About 50–100 boulders were examined at each site.

E. Weathering rinds. As rocks weather, the outermost part becomes discolored to produce an oxidized weathering rind. Such rinds were measured on various rock types from the rock surface to the innermost part of the rind. Rinds were not always present on boulders in our study areas. We believe that this is due to several factors: (1) the relative youthfulness of many of the deposits, (2) the coarse grain size of the granitic rock, and (3) diabase, the best rock for rind studies, was not present at many of the sites. Hence, sampling was not systematic enough for rind data to be of much use for age assignment.

Loess Mantle

Loess in Rocky Mountain alpine areas is recognized by its grain size, which consists of high proportions of silt and clay and species of heavy minerals different than those in the underlying deposit (Boulding and Boulding, 1981; Dahms, 1991, 1993). Loess is recognized in the field as a non-gritty loam or silt loam which contrasts markedly with the underlying gritty sandy loam or loamy sand matrix of underlying coarser-grained deposits. Typically, loess has been mixed somewhat with the underlying deposit. In this study, loess generally makes up parent material of the upper parts of the soils on older deposits and its maximum thickness is measured, usually at soil sites (Tables 3–5). Loess thickness is measured because it is locally helpful for discriminating between middle Holocene and latest Pleistocene deposits (Birkeland, 1973).

Degree of Soil Development

A number of soil profiles were examined in hand-dug pits within each mapped area (Tables 2, 3). Various soil parameters

TABLE 2. LABORATORY DATA FOR SELECTED SOILS, WIND RIVER RANGE, WYOMING

Locality	Age and facies	Horizon	Depth (cm)	Color (d)	Particle-size distribution* (<2 mm)			pH**
					Sand (2–0.05)	Silt (0.05–0.002)	Clay (<0.002)	
<u>Dinwoody Glacier (Fig. 3)</u>								
N9	Gpt	Cu	0–17+	10Y 6.5/1	69.4	22.8	7.8	7.7
N10a	Alt	A	0–7	10YR 2/2	40.3	38.6	21.1	5
		2Bw	7–17	10YR 3/3	72.7	20.4	6.9	5.3
		2Cox1	17–43	10YR 6/3.5	70.2	25.4	4.4	5.3
		2Cox2	43–72+	10YR 6/3.5	82.5	13.7	3.8	5
		A	0–2	10YR 4/2	64.6	22.9	12.5	5.7
N16	Tlt	Bt	2–18	7.5YR 5/4	31.5	42.7	25.8	5.9
		2Cox1	18–26	10YR 6/4	79	13.8	7.2	5
		2Cox2	26–146	5Y 7/2	76.4	19.3	4.3	5.1
		2Cu	146+	5Y 7/2	71.8	22.9	5.3	5.3
		A	0–3	10YR 3.5/2	22.3	52.2	25.5	4
N17	Tlt	Bw	3–17	7.5YR 5/4	25.1	48.9	26	4.3
		2Bt	17–32	10YR 6/4	61.8	27.1	11.1	4.3
		2Cox1	32–72	10YR 6/3.5	72.3	19.8	7.9	4.3
		2Cox2	72–79+	2.5Y 6/3	79.2	15.5	5.3	4.4
<u>Gannett Glacier (Fig. 3)</u>								
N1	Gpt	Cox	0–6	5Y 7/2	83.2	13.2	3.6	5.6
		Cu	6–25+	5Y 7/1	81.4	13.8	4.8	5.8
N4	Bjt	Cox	0–14	5Y 7/2	73.6	20.4	6	5.5
		Cu	14–39+	5Y 7/1	77.2	17.1	5.7	6
N5	Alt	A	0–11	10YR 3/2	41.7	36.6	21.7	4.8
		2Cox1	11–19	10YR 5/3	62.9	30.1	7	4.9
		2Cox2	19–49	10YR 6/3	66.3	27.7	6	4.8
		2Cox3	49–55+	2.5Y 7/3	75.9	17.8	6.3	4.6
N8	Tlt	A	0–4	10YR 4/2	48.5	34	17.5	5
		Cox	4–25	10YR 5/3	41.3	37.2	21.5	4.5
		Ab	25–27	10YR 4/2	44.2	33.9	21.9	4.5
		2Btb	27–38	10YR 5/4	67.2	21	11.8	4.4
		2Cox1b	38–52	10YR 6/4	76.5	18.2	5.3	4.6
		2Cox2b	52–76+	2.5Y 7/3	77.9	18.2	3.9	4.7
<u>SE of Mount Hooker (Fig. 4B)</u>								
M25a	Alt	Bt?	0–14	10YR 4/3	58.2	32.6	9.2	5.3
		2Cu	14–20+	2.5Y 6/1	79.4	16.8	3.8	5.9
M23a	Alt	A	0–3	10YR 5/2	68.9	21.6	9.5	5.5
		2Bt	3–14	10YR 5/3	52.5	35.1	12.4	5.8
		2Cox1	14–25	10YR 7/3	88.8	6.7	4.5	6.4
		2Cox2	25–28+	10YR 6/3	82.7	12.2	5.1	6.3
M22a	Tlt	A	0–7	10YR 5/3	55.7	31.7	12.6	5.2
		Bt	7–24	10YR 5/4	43.7	40	16.3	5.5
		2Bw	24–43	10YR 5/3	72.2	18.9	8.9	5.4
		2Cox	43–52+	10YR 5/3	80.6	13.3	6.1	5.5
<u>S of Grave Lake (Fig. 4C)</u>								
M2a	Bjt	Cox	0–7	5Y 5/2	82.2	13.3	4.5	5.6
		Cu	7–22+	5Y 7/2	76.3	18.9	4.8	6.1
M1	Alt	A	0–3	10YR 3.5/2	35.3	44.6	20.1	5.1
		2Cox1	3–40	10YR 5/3	77.5	16.7	5.8	5.1
		2Cox2	40–50+	2.5Y 7/2	82.6	13.6	3.8	5.4
M12	Tlt	Bw	5–10	10YR 4/4	74.5	19.5	6	5.3
M16	Tlt or Pt	A	0–4	10YR 2/3	43.5	36.2	20.3	5.2
		Bw	4–12	7.5YR 4.5/4	54.4	28.9	16.7	4.8
		2Bt	12–32	7.5YR 6/6	74.1	14.9	11	4.8
		2Cox1	32–46	2.5Y 5.5/4	73.6	20.6	5.8	4.8
		2Cox2	46–70+	2.5Y 6/4	69.2	24.7	6.1	4.8
<u>East of Mount Washakie (Fig. 4F)</u>								
M59	Bjt	Cox	0–5	2.5Y 6/2.5	77.7	16.8	5.5	5.5
		Cu	5–22+	2.5Y 6/1	80.3	13.8	5.9	5.8

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TABLE 2. LABORATORY DATA FOR SELECTED SOILS, WIND RIVER RANGE, WYOMING (Continued)

Locality	Age and facies	Horizon	Depth (cm)	Color (d)	Particle-size distribution* (<2 mm)			pH**
					Sand (2–0.05)	Silt (0.05–0.002)	Clay (<0.002)	
<u>South Fork Lakes (Fig. 4E)</u>								
M42	Bjt	Cox	0–6	2.5Y 4.5/2	66.5	25.5	8	5.5
		2Cox	6–15	2.5Y 5/2	86.9	8	5.1	5.7
		2Cu	15–25+	2.5Y 5/1	91.4	5.2	3.4	5.8
M44	Alt	Bw	0–10	10YR 4.5/3	76.3	18	5.7	5.8
		Cox1	10–30	10YR 6/3	84.2	11.4	4.4	6
		Cox2	30–38+	10YR 7/2	86.7	9.7	3.6	6.2
M47	Alt	A	0–2	10YR 2/3	39.7	41.7	18.6	5.8
		Bw	2–9	10YR 3/3	55.7	30.1	14.2	5.4
		2Cox1	9–27	10YR 6/4	86.1	10	3.9	5.4
		2Cox2	27–50+	10YR 7/3	90.3	6.9	2.8	5.5
M48b	Alt	A	0–4	10YR 3/3	45.7	36.5	17.8	6.2
		2Bt	4–15	10YR 4/4	66.8	23.9	9.8	6
		2Cox1	15–45	10YR 6/4	84.9	10.6	4.5	5.8
		2Cox2	45–55+	5Y 7/3	75.4	19.6	5	5.7
M41	Alt	A	0–16	10YR 3/3	39.7	39.3	21	5
		Bw	16–29	7.5YR 5/4	46.5	34.3	19.2	5.1
		2Cox1	29–54	10YR 6/3	69.3	24.4	6.3	5.1
		2Cox2	54–60+	2.5Y 7/3	56.1	38.8	5.1	5
M51a	Tlt	A	0–5	10YR 4/3	48.5	35.4	16.1	5.6
		Ej	5–9	10YR 5/4	41.3	40.3	18.4	5.1
		2Bw1	9–19	10YR 6/7	60.5	30.1	9.4	5.2
		2Bw2	19–35	10YR 6/6	61.2	31.6	7.2	5.2
		2Cox	35–46+	2.5Y 7/2.5	61.8	29.4	8.8	5.1
<u>Cirque of the Towers (Fig. 4F)</u>								
S54a	Alt	A	0–3	10YR 5/4	54	33.3	12.7	5.1
		Bt	3–16	10YR 4/5	46.4	36.2	17.4	5.2
		2Cox	16–27+	5Y 5.5/4	76.7	17.5	5.8	5.5
S66	Tlt	A	0–3	10YR 3/2	25	50.2	24.8	4.6
		Bw	3–25	10YR 4/3	26.1	47.6	26.3	4.7
		2Cox1	25–32	10YR 5.5/4	66.2	23.2	10.6	5.1
		2Cox2	32–43+	2.5Y 5/4	56.7	34.8	8.5	5.3
<u>Temple Lake (Fig. 5C)</u>								
S11	Alt	A	0–3	10YR 4/2	78.1	13.9	8	5.5
		Bt	3–12	10YR 6/3	71.4	19.4	9.2	5.9
		Cox1	12–27	10YR 5/3	82.8	12.1	5.1	5.7
		Cox2	27–52	2.5Y 5/3	81.4	13.8	4.8	5.9
		Cox3	52–66+	2.5Y 5/3	85.2	10.5	4.3	5.1
SE of S6a	Alrg	A	0–2	10YR 3/2	56.8	28.2	15	6.2
		Bt	2–8	10YR 3/3.5	62.1	24.3	13.6	5.9
		Cox	8–34	2.5Y 4/2	80.7	15.7	3.6	5.9
		Cu	34+	5Y 5/2.5	84.2	12.5	3.3	6
S7d	Tlt	A	0–8	10YR 5/3	52.5	28.9	18.6	5.9
		Bt	8–25	10YR 5/3	54.4	30.6	15	5.5
		2Cox	25–45	2.5Y 6/3	58.4	29.6	12	4.9
		2Cu	45–60+	5Y 6/2	61.3	27.9	10.8	5.1
S5a	Tlt	A	0–4	10YR 3/2.5	54	31	15	5.9
		2Bt	4–17	10YR 4/5	68.3	21.7	10.3	6
		2Cox	17–54+	10YR 5/4	78	15.3	6.7	5.9
<u>Deep Lake (Fig. 5C)</u>								
S14a	Alt	A	0–4	10YR 4/2.5	84.2	9.4	6.4	5.6
		Bw	4–12	10YR 4/3	81	12.6	6.4	5.4
		Cox	12–50+	10YR 6/3	80.2	14.3	5.5	5.3
S15	Tlt	A	0–5	10YR 3/3	29	48.5	22.5	4.9
		A or B	5–17	10YR 4/3	38.9	40.1	21	4.8
		2Bt	17–32	7.5YR 5/5	56.2	27.5	16.3	4.9
		2Cox	32–52+	10YR 7/4	53.2	39.7	6.5	5.1

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TABLE 2. LABORATORY DATA FOR SELECTED SOILS, WIND RIVER RANGE, WYOMING (Continued)

Locality	Age and facies	Horizon	Depth (cm)	Color (d)	Particle-size distribution* (<2 mm)			pH**	
					Sand (2–0.05)	Silt (0.05–0.002)	Clay (<0.002)		
<u>NE of East Temple Peak (Fig. 5D)</u>									
S19	Bjt	A	0–1	10YR 4/2	73.6	17.6	8.8	5.2	
		Cox	1–6	5Y 6/2	77.7	17.5	4.5	6	
		Cu	6+	5Y 7/2	85.9	10.6	3.5	6.2	
S20a	Alrg	A	0–4	10YR 3/3.5	66	21.9	12.1	5.9	
		Bw	4–11	10YR 3.5/3	69.5	20.3	10.2	5.7	
		2Cox	11–19	2.5Y 6/3	79.4	15.4	5.2	5.7	
		2Cu	19–35+	5Y 6/2	80.9	13.7	5.4	5.3	
<u>NE of East Temple Peak (Fig. 5D)</u>									
S24	Alt	Bt	2–8	10YR 4/3	57	29.4	13.6	5.3	
		Cu	12–20+	5Y 7/2	63.1	30	6.9	5.5	
S23a	Tlt	A	0–16	10YR 3/2	47.1	34	18.9	5	
		Bt	16–46	7.5YR 5/3	33.2	43.5	23.3	4.7	
		2Cox	46–52+	10YR 6/2	68	21.5	10.5	4.7	
<u>West of Wind River Peak (Fig. 5D)</u>									
S28	Alt	A1	0–7	10YR 3/3	23.8	48.7	27.5	5.6	
		A3	7–15	10YR 3/2	51	31.7	17.3	5.9	
		2Bw	15–27	10YR 4/3	73.9	17.9	8.2	5.7	
		2Cox	27–43+	2.5Y 3.5/5	53.9	33.7	12.4	5.8	
<u>North of Wind River Peak (Fig. 5D)</u>									
S48–3rd ridge		Gpt	A	0–2	2.5Y 5/2	82.5	12.3	5.2	5.9
			Cu	2+	5Y 7/1	61.9	26.5	11.6	6.8
S51	Alt	A	0–5	10YR 3/2	65.5	21.8	12.7	6.4	
		2Bw	5–18	10YR 4/3	76.8	15.7	7.5	6.1	
		2Cox	18–35+	2.5Y 6/3	80.3	13.9	5.8	6.1	
<u>Stough Creek Basin (Fig. 6)</u>									
BFL9	Gpt	Cox	0–5	2.5Y 3/2 (m)	83.7	11.5	4.8	—	
		2Cu	5–25	5Y 5/2	90.4	5.9	3.7	—	
BFL8	Bjt	Cox	0–5	2.5Y 5/3	85.0	9.1	5.9	—	
		Cu	5–25	5Y 5/3	86.6	9.0	4.3	—	
SCB12	Bjt	A	0–2	10YR 5/2	79.9	14.6	5.5	—	
		Cox	2–10	5Y 4/3	82.5	12.4	5.1	—	
		2Cu	10–30+	5Y 5/2	91.8	3.6	4.6	—	
BFL6	Alt	A	0–10	10YR 5/2	57.0	23.9	19.1	—	
		2Bt	10–20	10YR 5/3	66.7	21.2	12.1	—	
		2Cox1	20–28	2.5Y 5/3	68.3	21.9	9.8	—	
		2Cox2	28–45+	2.5Y 6/2	74.5	16.9	8.6	—	
BFL7	Alt	A	0–7	10YR 5/2	63.5	24.3	12.2	—	
		2Bw	7–15	10YR 5/3	72.5	17.8	9.7	—	
		2Cox1	15–30	2.5Y 5/3	73.3	17.1	9.6	—	
		2Cox2	30–45+	2.5Y 6/2	70.5	19.6	9.9	—	
SCB6	Alt	A	0–5	10YR 3/1	39.8	41.4	18.8	—	
		Bt	5–17	10YR 3/2	46.2	39.3	14.4	—	
		2Cox1	17–30	10YR 6/2	64.1	27.9	8.1	—	
		2Cox2	30–50+	2.5Y 6/2	65.6	27.4	7.0	—	
SCB7	Alt	A	0–5	10YR 4/2	65.6	24.2	10.3	—	
		Bw	5–15	10YR 5/2	69.0	23.9	7.0	—	
		2Cox1	15–25	2.5Y 6/3	72.7	21.5	5.8	—	
		2Cox2	25–50+	2.5Y 6/2	80.1	15.3	4.6	—	
BFL4	Tlt	OA	0–5	10YR 5/2	71.7	17.1	11.1	—	
		Bt	5–13	10YR 5/3	64.4	25.0	10.6	—	
		2Cox1	13–37	2.5Y 6/4	74.6	18.6	6.9	—	
		2Cox2	37–63+	2.5Y 6/2	73.6	19.2	7.2	—	
BFL5	Tlt	A	0–9	10YR 4/2	63.1	23.0	13.9	—	
		2Bt	9–22	10YR 5/4	63.7	24.0	12.3	—	
		2Cox1	22–55	2.5Y 6/4	70.2	20.0	9.8	—	
		2Cox2	55–75+	2.5Y 7/2	82.9	12.0	5.1	—	

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TABLE 2. LABORATORY DATA FOR SELECTED SOILS, WIND RIVER RANGE, WYOMING (Continued)

Locality	Age and facies	Horizon	Depth (cm)	Color (d)	Particle-size distribution* (<2 mm)			pH**
					Sand (2–0.05)	Silt (0.05–0.002)	Clay (<0.002)	
Stough Creek Basin (Fig. 6)								
SCB8	Tlt	A	0–7	10YR 4/2	49.2	35.4	15.4	—
		Bt	7–15	10YR 4/3	55.1	32.3	12.5	—
		2Cox1	15–39	10YR 4/4 (m)	84.1	14.3	1.5	—
		2Cox	39–50+	2.5Y 6/3	83.4	16.4	0.2	—
SCB9	Tlt	A	0–5	10YR 4/2	61.8	26.4	11.8	—
		2Bt	5–11	10YR 4/3	62.2	29.0	8.8	—
		2Cox1	11–35	10YR 4/4 (m)	69.3	30.3	0.4	—
		2Cox2	35–50+	2.5Y 6/2	80.4	19.5	0.1	—
IL1	Tlt	A	0–15	10YR 4/2	48.1	33.0	18.9	—
		Bt	15–35	10YR 5/4	52.5	30.4	17.1	—
		2BC	35–55	10YR 6/4	70.3	23.2	6.5	—
BFL1	Pt	2Cox	55+	2.5Y 7/3	72.3	19.7	8.0	—
		A	0–8	10YR 3/2	57.4	28.2	14.4	—
		Bt	8–18	7.5YR 4/3	62.8	20.0	17.1	—
		2BC	18–27	10YR 7/4	80.1	16.1	3.8	—
BFL2	Pt	2Cox1	27–65	2.5Y 7/4	60.5	30.0	9.5	—
		2Cox2	65–90+	2.5Y 6/4	78.1	15.8	6.1	—
		A	0–5	10YR 3/2	56.5	25.4	18.0	—
		AB	5–18	7.5YR 4/3	66.2	20.3	13.5	—
BFL3	Pt	2Bt	18–60	10YR 6/4	63.7	23.0	13.3	—
		2Cox1	60–80	2.5Y 6/4	75.1	17.5	7.4	—
		3Cox2	80+	2.5Y 6/4	78.1	15.8	6.1	—
		A	0–12	10YR 4/2	65.2	19.7	15.1	—
SCB2	Pt	AB	12–23	7.5YR 4/3	63.5	21.5	15.0	—
		Bt	23–60	10YR 6/4	57.7	30.9	11.4	—
		2Cox1	60–72	2.5Y 6/4	64.7	24.1	11.2	—
		2Cox2	72+	2.5Y 6/4	78.0	16.0	6.0	—
SCB3	Pt	A	0–9	10YR 3/2	59.1	22.4	18.4	—
		Bt	9–22	10YR 4/4	59.0	26.0	15.0	—
		BC	22–33	10YR 5/4	66.4	23.4	10.2	—
		2Cox	33–60+	2.5Y 6/4	83.6	11.1	5.3	—
SCB4	Pt	A	0–10	10YR 3/2	53.8	26.0	20.2	—
		AB	10–26	10YR 4/3	69.1	16.6	14.3	—
		2Bw	26–48	10YR 5/3	76.1	19.3	4.6	—
		2Cox	48–65	2.5Y 6/3	69.6	24.6	5.8	—
SCB5	Pt	2Cu	65–80+	5Y 4/2 (m)	83.0	13.8	3.2	—
		A	0–7	10YR 3/1	52.0	27.9	20.1	—
		Bt	7–20	10YR 4/3	62.9	24.8	12.3	—
		2BC	20–43	10YR 5/4	62.7	29.0	8.3	—
SCB11	Pt	2Cox	43–55	2.5Y 6/4	50.9	38.2	10.9	—
		2Cu	55–65+	5Y 4/2 (m)	79.0	17.1	3.9	—
		A	0–10	10YR 3/2	66.7	18.4	14.9	—
		Bt	10–25	10YR 4/2	62.5	20.5	17.0	—
SCB11	Pt	2BC	25–52	10YR 5/4	76.7	17.6	5.7	—
		2Cox	52–62	2.5Y 6/3	67.3	25.5	7.2	—
		2Cu	62+	5Y 6/2	79.0	17.1	3.9	—
		A	0–9	10YR 3/2	51.9	30.9	17.2	—
SCB11	Pt	Bt	9–20	10YR 4/3	43.1	36.5	20.4	—
		2BC	20–30	10YR 5/4	77.9	15.8	6.3	—
		2Cox1	30–45	2.5Y 5/4	77.9	18.9	3.1	—
		2Cox2	45–55+	2.5Y 6/3	85.1	13.1	1.7	—

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TABLE 2. LABORATORY DATA FOR SELECTED SOILS, WIND RIVER RANGE, WYOMING (Continued)

Locality	Age and facies	Horizon	Depth (cm)	Color (d)	Particle-size distribution* (<2 mm)			pH**
					Sand (2-0.05)	Silt (0.05-0.002)	Clay (<0.002)	
Stough Creek Basin (Fig. 6)								
SCB1	Pt	A	0-6	10YR 4/2	56	27	17	—
		E	6-10	10YR 5/3	51	37	13	—
		2Bs1	10-22	10YR 5/6	68	23	9	—
		2Bs2	22-40	10YR 6/6	67	28	5	—
		2Cox1	40-60	2.5Y 7.4	66	32	2	—
SCB10	Pt	2Cox2	60-80+	2.5Y 7/2	65	34	1	—
		A	0-6	10YR 3/2	17	50	33	—
		Ej	6-7	10YR 4/3	24	50	27	—
		Bw	7-11	10YR 3/3	41	32	27	—
		2ABb	11-23	10YR 4/2	58	23	20	—
		2Bwb	23-29	10YR 5/4	75	16	9	—
		2Cox1b	29-75	2.5Y 6/4	87	8	5	—
		2Cox2b	75-85+	2.5Y 6/4	80	14	6	—
LC1	Pt	O	0-3	—	—	—	—	—
		E	3-6	10YR 5/3	66	23	12	—
		Bs1	6-18	7.5YR 6/6	60	33	7	—
		Bs2	18-45	7.5YR 6/6	65	28	7	—
		2Coxx	45-80	10YR 6/4	74	18	9	—
		2Cu	80+	5Y 7/4	65	34	1	—
WL1	Pt	AO	0-5	10YR 5/3	79	14	7	—
		Ej	5-9	10YR 6/4	51	37	12	—
		Bw	9-30	10YR 6/6	63	23	14	—
		2BCx	30-52	10YR 6/4	65	23	12	—
		2Coxx	52-68	2.5Y 6/4	68	22	10	—
		2Cu	68+	5Y 7/2	68	23	9	—
RFP1	Pt	A1	0-5	10YR 3/3	35	33	32	—
		A2	5-13	10YR 4/3	39	35	26	—
		Bw1	13-24	7.5YR 5/4	62	23	15	—
		Bw2	24-32	7.5YR 5/4	69	19	12	—
		Bw3	32-59	10YR 5/6	77	14	9	—
		2BC1	59-92	10YR 5/6	86	8	7	—
		3BC2	92-120	10YR 5/4	68	19	13	—
		4Cox	120+	2.5Y 5/4	73	20	8	—
RFP2	Pt	A	0-13	10YR 4/2	40	36	24	—
		Bt1	13-23	10YR 5/4	62	22	15	—
		2Bt2	23-50	10YR 6/4	68	20	12	—
		2BC	50-60	10YR 6/4	71	20	9	—
		2Cox	60-75+	2.5Y 6/4	73	20	8	—

*Pipette method (Day, 1965).

**Soil:water ratio of 1:2.5.

TABLE 3. SELECTED DATA FOR UNANALYZED SOILS,
WIND RIVER RANGE, WYOMING

Site no.	Age and facies	Horizon	Depth (cm)	Color*	Texture**
<u>N of Petroleum Peak (Fig. 4A)</u>					
M32b	Alt	A	0-5	10YR 3/3	SL
		Bt	5-18	10YR 4/3	SL
		Cox	18-42+	2.5Y 4/3 (d)	LS
M28	Alt	A	0-9	10YR 2/2	L
		Bw	9-27	10YR 3/4	L
		2Bw	27-50+	10YR 4/4	SL
M36	Tlt	A	0-2	10YR 2/2 (d)	L
		Bw1	2-11	10YR 3/4	L
		Bw2	11-24	10YR 4/4	L
		2Cox	24-37+	2.5YR 4/4	LS
M26	Tlt	A	0-8	10YR 2/2	L
		B	8-27	7.5YR 4/4	L
		2Cox	27-37	10YR 5/6	SL
		2Cu	37-40+	2.5Y 5/2	LS
<u>N of Mount Hooker (Fig. 4B)</u>					
M18a	Alt	A	0-6	10YR 3/2	L
		2Cox	6-30	10YR 4/3	SL
		2Cu	30-41+	2.5Y 4/2, 6/2 (d)	SL
M17a	Tlt	A	0-3	10YR 2/2	L
		Bw	3-16	7.5YR 4/4	SL
		2Bt	16-32	10YR 4/4	SL
		2Cu	32-46+	2.5Y 4/3	LS
M21	Tlt	A	0-10	10YR 2/3	SL
		Bw	10-16	10YR 3/4	SL
		2Bw	16-26	10YR 4/4	SL
		2Cox	26-48+	2.5Y 4/4	LS
<u>SE of Mount Hooker (Fig. 4B)</u>					
M24a	Alt	A	0-1	10YR 3/2	L
		Bw	1-7	10YR 4/3	L
		2Bw	7-13	10YR 3/3	SL
		2Cox	13-29+	2.5Y 4/3	SL
M22b	Tlt?	A1	0-11	7.5YR 3/2	L
		A2	11-14	7.5YR 3.5/2	LL
		2Bt	14-41	7.5YR 4/4	SL
		2Cox	41-46+	2.5Y 5/4	SL
<u>S of Grave Lake (Fig. 4C)</u>					
M13	Alt	A	0-14	10YR 2/2	L
		2Bw	14-26	10YR 4/3	SL
		2Cox	26-45	2.5Y 4/3	LS
		2Cu	45-55+	2.5Y 4/2, 6/2 (d)	LS
M14	Alrg	A	0-21	10YR 2/2	L
		Bw	21-46	10YR 4/3	SL
		2Cox	46-51+	2.5Y 4/3	LS
M15	Alrg	A	0-7	10YR 2/2	SL
		Bw	7-27+	10YR 3/3	SL
<u>E of Mount Washakie (Fig. 4D)</u>					
M59	Bjt	Cox	0-5	2.5Y 6/2 (d)	SL
		Cu	5-22+	2.5Y 7/2 (d)	SL

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TABLE 3. (Continued)

Site no.	Age and facies	Horizon	Depth (cm)	Color*	Texture**
<u>E of Mount Washakie (Fig. 4D)</u>					
M58	Alt	A	0-11	10YR 2/2	L
		Bw	11-32	10YR 3/4	L
		2Bw	32-51+	10YR 4/4	SL
M55	Tlt	A	0-5	10YR 4/3 (d)	LS
		Bw	5-13	10YR 4/4 (d)	L
		2Cox1	13-30	10YR 5/4	LS
		2Cox2	30-42+	2.5Y 5/3	LS
M55b	Tlpr	A	0-3	10YR 4/3 (d)	SL
		Bt	3-16	7.5YR 5/6	SL
		2Bt	16-53	7.5YR 5/6	SL
		2Cox	53-62+	2.5Y 5/4	SL
<u>S of Washakie Lake (Fig. 4E)</u>					
M54	Alt	A	0-1	10YR 5/3 (d)	SL
		Bw	1-10	10YR 4/4	L
		2Cox	10-15	10YR 5/4	SL
		2Cu	15-24+	5Y 5/3	SL
M52	Tlt?	A	0-22	10YR 2/2	L
		2Bw	22-30+	7.5YR 4/6	SL
<u>Cirque of the Towers (Fig. 4F)</u>					
S57	Alt	A	0-8	10YR 3/2	SL
		B	8-20	10YR 3/4	SL
		2Cu	20-27+	2.5Y 5/2 (d)	SL
S60	Alt	A	0-2	10YR 3/2	SL
		Bw	2-10	10YR 3/4	SL
		Cu?	10-25+	2.5Y 5/2 (d)	LS
S61	Tlt	A	0-7	10YR 2/2	SL
		Cox	7-27+	10YR 5/4	LS
S62a	Alt	A	0-2	10YR 3/3	SL
		B	2-8	10YR 3/4	SL
		2Cox1	8-23	10YR 4/4	SL
		2Cox2	23-37	2.5Y 4/3	LS
S63	Alpr	A	0-3	10YR 3/2	SL
		B	3-13	10YR 3/4	L
		2Cox	13-26	10YR 4/3	SL
		2Cu	26-31+	5Y 4/2	SL
<u>Rapid Lake Area (Fig. 5B)</u>					
S1a	Alt	A	0-2	10YR 4/2 (d)	L
		Bw1	2-23	10YR 3/3	L
		Bw2	23-30	10YR 5/5	L
		2Bw	30-42+	10YR 5/6	SL
S2	Alt	A	0-2	10YR 3/2	SL
		Bt	2-6	10YR 4/3	SL
		Cox1	6-30	10YR 5/4	LS
		Cox2	30-38+	10YR 6/3	LS
S16	Alt	A	0-2	10YR 3/2	L
		2Bt	2-9	7.5YR 4/4	SL
		2Bw	9-23	7.5YR 5/7	SL
		2Cox	23-42+	2.5YR 5/4	SL

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TABLE 3. (Continued)

Site no.	Age and facies	Horizon	Depth (cm)	Color*	Texture**
<u>Temple Lake Area (Fig. 5C)</u>					
S52a	Gpt	Cox	0-4	5Y 4/2	SL
		Cu	4+	5Y 4/1	SL
S6a	Alrg	A	0-2	10YR 3/2	SL
		Bt	2-10	10YR 5/5d	SL
		2Cox	10-20+	5Y 5/3	SL
SE of S6a	Alrg	A	0-2	10YR 3/2	SL
		Bt	2-8	10YR 5/5d	SL
		Bw	8-34	10YR 4/4	LS
		Cu	34+	7.5Y 5/2d	LS
S7d	Tlt	A	0-8	10YR 3/4d	L
		B	8-25	10YR 3/3, 5/3d	SL OR L
		2Cox1	25-45	10YR 5/4	SL
		2Cox2	45-60+	10YR 5/2	SL
<u>NE of East Temple Peak (Fig. 5D)</u>					
S22	Alt	A	0-2	10YR 2/1	SL (fine)
		Bw	2-13	10YR 3/2	L
		2Cox	13-27+	10YR 6/2	SL (fine)
S25	Tlt	A	0-2	10YR 3/3d	L
		Bt1?	2-6	10YR 4/3d	L
		Bt2?	6-17	10YR 4/5d	L
		2Cox	17-36	2.5Y 5/4	SL
		2Cu	36-64+	5Y 5/3	SL
<u>W of Wind River Peak (Fig. 5D)</u>					
S32a	Alrg	A	0-4	10YR 2/2	SL
		Bt?	4-19	10YR 3/4	SL
		Cox	19-34+	10YR 4/4	SL
<u>N of Wind River Peak (Fig. 5D)</u>					
D1	Bjt	Cox1	0-10	2.5Y 5/2	LS
		Cn	10-45+	2.5Y 4/2	S
S50	Alt	A	0-14	10YR 3/4 (d)	L
		2B	14-24	10YR 4/4	SL
		2Cox	24-55+	10YR 5/6	SL
D3	Alt	OA	0-5	—	SL
		A	5-18	10YR 3/2	SL
		2Bw	18-28	10YR 3/3	LS
		2Cox	28-64	10YR 4/3	LS
		2Cn	64-70+	2.5Y 6/3d	LS
D4	Alt	OA	0-5	—	—
		A	5-9	10YR 4/2	SL
		Bw	9-30	10YR 3/3	SL
		2Cox1	30-50	2.5Y 4/3	LS/S
		2Cox2	50-70+	2.5Y 4/4	LS/S
D5	Alt	OA	0-3	10YR 2/2	SL
		A	3-9	10YR 3/3	LS
		2Bw	9-17	2.5Y 4/3	LS/S
		2Cox1	17-30	2.5Y 4/4	LS/S
		2Cox2	30-75	2.5Y 3/3	LS/S

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TABLE 3. (Continued)

Site no.	Age and facies	Horizon	Depth (cm)	Color*	Texture**
<u>N of Wind River Peak (Fig. 5D)</u>					
D8	Alt	OA	0-4	—	—
		AB	4-12	10YR 2/2	SL
		Bw	12-20	10YR 3/2	SL
D6	Tlt	2Cox	20-40	2.5Y 4/3	LS/S
		OA	0-4	10YR 2/2	L
		Bw1	4-10	10YR 3/2	SL
D7	Tlt	2Bw2	10-13	10YR 4/3	LS
		2Cox	13-25+	2.5Y 4/3	LS
		OA	0-8	10YR 2/1	SL
		Bw	8-17	10YR 2/2	SL
		2Cox1	17-30	10YR 4/2	LS
		2Cox2	30-40+	10YR 4/2	LS
<u>N of Black Joe Lake (Fig. 5E)</u>					
S38	Alrg	A	0-9	10YR 3/2	SL
		Bt	9-17	10YR 4/3	SL
		2Cu	17-27+	2.5Y 5/2	LS
S41	Alt	A	0-5	10YR 3/4 (d)	SL
		Bw	5-13	10YR 3/4	SL-L
		2Cox	13-28	10YR 5/4	SL
		2Cu	28+	2.5Y 5/4	SL
<u>E of Black Joe Lake (Fig. 5F)</u>					
S45	Tlt	A	0-3	10YR 3/4	SL
		Bw	3-9	10YR 3/4	SL
		Cox	9-29+	10YR 5/4	SL
S53	Alt	A	0-14	10YR 2/2	L
		Cox	14-33+	10YR 3/4	SL
S54b	Alt	A	0-2	10YR 3/2	SL
		Bw	2-17	10YR 3/4	SL
		Cox	17-27+	2.5Y 4/2	SL

*Moist field colors unless noted otherwise.

**L—loam; SL—sandy loam; LS—loamy sand (all field estimates).

have been used previously to help date young tills and rock-glacier deposits in the Wind River Range (Currey, 1974; Miller and Birkeland, 1974; Mahaney, 1978, 1984a, 1984b; Mahaney et al., 1984a, 1984b; Mahaney and Halvorson, 1986; Birkeland et al., 1989; Dahms, 2002, 2004a). Till is an ideal material for soil-development studies in granitic terrain because it commonly is gray when deposited—a color markedly different from colors imparted by pedogenic processes. To avoid the effects of erosion and deposition after till deposition, all soils were described and sampled at sites located on the flattest and hence most stable surfaces available.

Soil-horizon designations follow Birkeland (1999). E_j horizons are slightly lighter in color than either the overlying A or underlying B horizons, probably due to the downward movement of iron under forest conditions; they do not qualify as albic horizons. Two types of B horizons were recognized; those based mainly on color are B_w horizons, whereas those based on both color and an increase in clay content are B_t horizons. Oxidized horizons that do not qualify as B_w horizons are designated as Cox horizons, and unoxidized horizons (parent material) as C_u horizons.

Typically, the dry color of the sieved <2 mm fraction is best for distinguishing among C_u, Cox, and B_w horizons. Unweathered till or rock-glacier parent materials (C_u horizons) usually have 2.5Y and 10Y hues, values between 4 and 7, and chromas between 1 and 2.5. Cox horizons are more oxidized than C_u horizons, and although this distinction is very subtle for some of the youngest soils, most Cox horizons have 2.5Y or 10YR hues. In contrast, B_w horizons have a 10YR hue, and some have a 7.5YR hue. Distinguishing between B_w and Cox horizons is difficult. Most of these horizons in this study have 10YR hue; horizons with values of 5 or more are designated Cox, and those with values of 4 or less are designated B_w. We have no way of determining the original color of loess because, at the sites studied, loess deposits are thin enough to have been altered by pedogenic processes. All subsurface horizons formed in loess are B_w or B_t horizons.

B_t horizons are weakly developed in our study area, and not all workers may accept our criteria for designating argillic (B_t) horizons. Modified criteria for identifying B_t horizons (Soil Survey Staff, 1999) were used. B_t horizons formed in loess have at least 1.2 times more clay than the overlying A horizons. If, however, the parent material of the B_t horizon is till or rock-glacier material, the B_t horizon has to have at least 3 percent more clay than the underlying Cox horizon. In both above cases, we judge that most of the fines have been translocated from the horizon(s) overlying the B_t.

Arabic numerals in front of the master horizon designation indicate parent material layering. When no such numbers are used; the soil is formed in the same glacial or periglacial deposit. In older soils, however, it is common to have non-gritty material (loess or loess mixed with coarser materials) overlying gritty parent materials. In these soils the lower deposit is identified by a “2” in front of the soil horizon designation.

USE OF RELATIVE-AGE DATA

Each RA method used in this study has limitations in its usefulness to differentiate and correlate map units (Birkeland, 1973, figure 11 therein). Because of these limitations, we do not feel confident in using any single method to the exclusion of others. Hence, after all the data were collected (Tables 2–6), we tried to determine which data may be most meaningful and which may be the least useful at each site and come to a consensus as to the age assignment for the deposit. Using this approach we feel confident in consistently assigning deposits to one of the four alloformations in most cirques (Figs. 3–6). At a few sites where the data were conflicting, we have indicated this on the maps and assigned two possible ages to the map unit. Stough Creek Basin stratigraphy map units (Fig. 6) are based mainly on soils and lichen data (Dahms and Birkeland, 2000; Dahms, 2002).

DESCRIPTIONS OF TYPE LOCALITIES OF ALLOFORMATIONS

The type localities of the four alloformations are on till. RA data are included in Tables 2–6; data presented below are for those sites, and the range of each data set is given in Figure 7 and Table 1.

Gannett Peak Alloformation

The type locality for the Gannett Peak alloformation is on three right-lateral moraines at the foot of the Gannett Glacier near Gannett Peak in the northern part of the Wind River Range (site N1, Fig. 3). These moraines were originally described by Richmond (1957, 1965). Vegetation cover is sparse, consisting of widely scattered grasses and vascular plants at the few locations where enough sand and finer materials exist to support plants and promote soil formation. Surface boulders are unweathered and show no signs of oxidation. Lichen cover on boulders reaches a maximum of ~5 percent, and is found on only a few boulders. Few *R. geographicum*, s.l. thalli were observed. The soil consists of subtle oxidation in a 6-cm-thick incipient Cox horizon of 5Y 5/2 dry color overlying a C_u horizon of 5Y 7/1 dry color.

Gannett Peak till, as described here, includes the youngest deposits of the cirque moraines of Moss (1951b), the Gannett Peak moraines of Richmond (1965), the later neoglacial moraine of Currey (1974), and the Gannett Peak till of Miller and Birkeland (1974) and Dahms (2002). There is some debate whether till of the Gannett Peak moraine of Mahaney et al. (1984a, 1984b) and Mahaney (1988) is Gannett Peak till or Black Joe till (Dahms, 2002).

Black Joe Alloformation

The type locality for the Black Joe alloformation is on two left-lateral moraines in an unnamed cirque located 3 km south of Black Joe Lake in the southern Wind River Range (site S30,

TABLE 4. LICHENOMETRIC, ROCK-WEATHERING, AND LOESS-THICKNESS DATA FOR FIGURE 3, WIND RIVER RANGE, WYOMING

Site no.	Age and facies [†]	Maximum diameter of lichen thalli (mm)					Maximum lichen cover (%)	Average lichen cover (%)	Surface oxidation of boulders	Rock weathering characteristics			Loess thickness (cm)
		R.g.	L.t.	L.atro.	L.asp.	C.e.				% weathered	% pitted	Maximum depth of pitting (mm)	
N6	Gpt	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
N6b	Gpt	0	5	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
N1	Gpt	0	20	9	42	45	5	0	0	0	0	0	0
N7	Gpt	4	61	29	55	37	5	0	0	0	0	0	0
N2	Bjt	42	108	82	116	35	50	5–15	sl. ox.	–	–	incipient	0
N3	Bjt	48	78	91	93	–	40	5–10	sl. ox.	0	0	0	0
N4	Bjt	42	72	90	65	–	25	10–25	ox.	28	9	25	0
N5	Alt	82	–	–	–	–	85–90	–	ox.	21	19	75–90	11
N8	Tlt	60–70	–	–	–	–	85–90	–	ox.	–	–	75	27
N9													
N13													
N14	Gpty	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
N12	Gpty	0	3	0	0	13	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
N11	Gpto	0	21	–	–	27	5	2–3	0	0	0	0	0
N10	Gpto	12	43	25	23	45	5	<1	0	0	0	0	0
N10a	Alt	90	–	–	–	–	90	–	sl. ox.	21	32	85	7
N15	Alt	84	–	–	–	–	85–90	–	ox.	14	25	70	10
N16	Tlt	>90	–	–	–	–	85–90	–	ox.	–	–	120	18
N17	Tlt	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	ox.	17	18	120	17

Note: R.g.—*Rhizocarpon geographicum*, s.l.; L.t.—*Lecanora thomsonii*; L.atro.—*Lecidea atrobrunnea*; L.asp.—*Leconora aspicilia*; C.e.—*Caloplaca elegans*.

[†]See Figure 7 and Table 1 for age and facies designations.

and the next moraine to the north, Figs. 5, 5D). Here, Black Joe till lies immediately down valley of Gannett Peak till. Black Joe moraines generally have less than 5–10 percent cover of vascular plants. The till is bouldery and contains a few slightly oxidized boulders. Some boulders are pitted to depths of 20–30 mm and only 2 percent are weathered. Lichen cover on individual boulders reaches 30 percent, whereas lichen cover for the site is 15–20 percent, with *L. thompsonii* (largest diameter, 115 mm) and *L. atrobrunnea* (largest diameter, 124 mm) being the dominant lichen species. Thalli of *R. geographicum*, s.l. reach 48 mm. The characteristic soil developed in Black Joe till is not well expressed at the type locality; a more characteristic soil with an A/Cox/Cu profile is at S19, north of East Temple Peak (Fig. 5D).

Black Joe till includes deposits in the Wind River Range referred to earlier as possible Audubon equivalent till (Miller and Birkeland, 1974; Dahms, 2002), Audubon advance (Mahaney et al., 1984a, 1984b; Mahaney, 1988), and Audubon moraine (Mahaney et al., 1984a, 1984b; Mahaney, 1988; Richmond, 1986).

Alice Lake Alloformation

The type locality of the Alice Lake alloformation is located ~200 m northeast of Alice Lake, near the headwall of the cirque above Temple Peak (sites S11, S12, S13; Fig. 5C). The three prominent moraines at the type locality are located ~2–2.5 km upvalley from the type locality for the Temple Lake till and several hundred meters downvalley from the Gannett Peak and Black Joe moraines (just below the lower limit of the unnamed glacier on the north side of Temple Peak). The surface of the Alice Lake

till at its type locality is stable and moraine crests support 20–30 percent alpine turf cover between boulders. A fairly advanced degree of weathering and lichen colonization characterizes this till relative to younger tills. Surface boulders generally are weathered and pitted, (30 and 44 percent, respectively), maximum pit depths reach 80 mm, and K-feldspar phenocrysts commonly protrude 20 mm above clast surfaces. Lichen cover reaches 80–85 percent on most boulders, and the largest *R. geographicum*, s.l. is 107 mm. The soil has an A/Bt/Cox profile at least 66 cm thick, with a maximum hue of 10YR. The Bt horizon is subtle and only 9 cm thick. Loess is less than 13 cm thick.

Alice Lake till includes part of the multiple cirque moraines of Moss (1951a, 1951b), the earlier neoglacial moraines of Currey (1974), the early Neoglacial till of Miller and Birkeland (1974), and probably the Indian Basin ground moraine of Mahaney (1988).

Temple Lake Alloformation

The type locality of the Temple Lake alloformation is on till that forms a broad, low, turf-covered end/lateral moraine on the northeast margins of Miller and Temple lakes north of Temple Peak (sites S5a, S6b, S7c; Fig. 5C). The moraine lies within 2.5 km of the headwall of the cirque above the south shore of the lake, and was produced by a glacier advancing northeastward from a series of steep cirque headwalls on the west side of the valley.

An extensive turf cover, partial cover of krumholz vegetation, and advanced weathering characterize Temple Lake till.

TABLE 5. LICHENOMETRIC, ROCK-WEATHERING, AND LOESS-THICKNESS DATA FOR FIGURE 4A TO 4F, WIND RIVER RANGE, WYOMING

Location	Site no.	Age and facies' (Fig 4A)	Maximum diameter of lichen thalli (mm)				C.e.	Maximum lichen cover (%)	Average lichen cover (%)	Surface oxidation of boulders	Rock weathering characteristics		Maximum weathering rind thickness (mm)*	Loess thickness (cm)
			R.g.	L.t.	L. atro.	L. asp.					% weathered	% pitted		
North of Petroleum Peak (Fig 4A)														
	M30	Gpt	8	93	24	—	67	<10	0	—	—	0	—	0
	M31	Bjt	23	120	60	67	—	35	—	sl. Ox.	—	—	—	0
	M32	Bjt	52	128	70	125	—	50	—	sl.ox.	—	—	—	0
	M28	Alt	101	—	—	—	—	85	40–50	—	—	—	—	27
	M29	Alt	89	—	—	—	—	85	—	—	—	fd-2, di-3	—	—
	M33	Alt	102	—	—	—	—	85	—	ox.	—	—	—	—
	M32b	Alt	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	ox.	—	—	—	—
	M34	Alt	121	—	—	—	—	85	—	ox.	—	—	—	—
	M35	Alt	95	—	—	—	—	85	—	ox.	—	—	—	—
	M27	Alrg	64	—	—	—	—	85	40–50	—	—	—	—	—
	M27a	Alrg	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	fd-4	—	—
	M36	Tlt	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	24
	M26	Tlt	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	mg-5, fd-2, di-1	—	27
West of Baptiste Lake (Fig 4B)														
	M39	Bjrg	48	132	88	—	—	70–75	50–65	sl.ox.	—	—	—	—
	M38	Alrg	79	—	—	—	—	80–90	<85	ox.	—	—	—	—
	M37	Alt	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
North of Mount Hooker (Fig 4B)														
	M19	Gpt	0	95	55	67	38	15–20	0	0	0	—	—	0
	M19a	Alt	—	—	—	—	—	85–90	—	—	—	—	fd-4, di-4	—
	M18	Alt	110	—	—	—	—	85–90	—	ox.	—	—	fd-2, cdi-3	—
	M18a	Alt	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	64	100	—	6
	M20	Tlt	—	—	—	—	—	85–95	—	—	—	—	fd-3, di-3	—
	M17a	Tlt	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	ox.	67	75	fd-3, di-3	16
	M17	Tlt	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	ox.	—	—	fd-3, cdi-3	—
	M21	Tlt	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	cdi-2, fd-4, mdi-3	—
	M20b	Tlt erratics	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	fd-4, di-5	—
Southeast of Mount Hooker (Fig 4B)														
	M25	Alt	105	—	—	—	—	85–90	<80	sl. ox.	13	47	mg-5	—
	M24	Alt	100	—	215	—	—	85–90	<85	sl. ox.	—	—	fd-2, mg-5	7
	M23	Alt	135	—	—	—	—	85–90	—	sl. ox.	15	26	mg-5	3
	M22b	Tlt?	87	—	—	—	—	85	<85	—	—	—	fd-2, mg-5	14, 24
South of Grave Lake (Fig 4C)														
	M5	Gpt	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	—	0
	M6	Gpt	0	9	—	—	30	0	0	0	0	—	—	0
	M4	Gpt	18	29	—	18	37	<5	0	0	0	—	—	0
	M7	Bjt	17	75	46	70	62	40	20	—	—	—	—	—
	M8	Bjt	10	60	30	40	67	50	10–15	sl. ox.	—	—	—	—
	M3	Bjt	24	69	39	67	37	50	<5	0	—	—	—	—
	M2	Bjt	40	78	45	57	35	50	low	sl. ox.	—	—	—	0
	M2a	Bjt	48	120	90	80	50	50	20–40	—	5	5	—	0
	M2b	Bjt	44	156	116	92	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	M9	Bjt	57	111	95	80	—	50	40	ox.	—	—	—	—

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TABLE 5. LICHENOMETRIC, ROCK-WEATHERING, AND LOESS-THICKNESS DATA FOR FIGURE 4A TO 4F, WIND RIVER RANGE, WYOMING (Continued)

Location	Site no.	Age and facies ¹	Maximum diameter of lichen thalli (mm)				C.e.	Maximum lichen cover (%)	Average lichen cover (%)	Surface oxidation of boulders	Rock weathering characteristics			Maximum weathering rind thickness (mm)*	Loess thickness (cm)
			R.g.	L.t.	L. atro.	L. asp.					% weathered	% pitted	Maximum depth of pitting (mm)*		
South of Grave Lake (Fig 4C)															
	M10	Bjt	51	125	125	120	—	65	40	ox.	—	—	20-35	—	—
	M11	Bjt	55	111	135	111	—	65	40	ox.	—	—	20-30	—	—
	M1	Alt	75	—	—	—	80-90	—	—	ox.	30	52	70-75	mg-25	15
	M13	Alt	103	—	—	—	80-90	—	—	—	54	64	75-80	fd-4, cdi-10, cg-10	14
	M14	Alrg	91	—	—	—	80-90	—	—	—	—	—	65	fd-3, cg-5	21
	M15	Algr	95	—	—	—	80-90	—	—	ox.	—	—	75-80	—	0
	M12	Tit	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	120-140	fd-5	10
	M16	Tlt or Pt	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	77	69	130-160	fd-5, mdi-5, cdi-4	12
	M12d	Tlt or Pt	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	30-tundra 41-trees
East of Mount Washakie (Fig 4D)															
	M60	Gpt	0	22	—	—	35	5	0	0	0	0	0	—	—
	M59	Bjt	26	106	—	—	—	50	15-20	sl.ox.	6	6	20	—	—
	M58	Alt	76	—	73	—	85-90	—	<85	ox.	30	48	75-80	—	32
	M57	Alt	94	—	—	—	—	—	—	ox.	—	—	80-90	—	—
	M56	Alrg	115	—	—	—	—	—	—	ox.	22	49	75-80	di-4	—
	M61	Alrg	107	—	—	—	—	—	—	ox.	14	28	60-65	—	—
	M55	Tit	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	ox.	71	66	140-150	di-2	13
South Fork Lake (Fig 4E)															
	M43	Bjt	24	111	57	63	56	—	10-15	—	88	12	slight	—	—
	M45	Bjt	50	125	91	—	50	50	—	—	—	—	35	—	—
	M46	Bjt	—	60	30	50	62	—	10-15	—	—	—	0	—	—
	M42	Bjt	52	130	79	135	—	50	20-35	—	36	35	25-35	—	0
	M47	Alt	75	—	—	—	—	85-90	—	—	24	34	75-80	—	9
	M48	Alt	129	—	—	—	—	85-90	—	—	19	30	80-90	di-3	4
	M48b	Alt	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	di-2	4
	M49	Alt	118	—	—	—	—	85-90	—	—	—	—	80-90	—	—
	M40	Alrg	80	—	—	—	—	85-90	—	—	58	35	50	—	14
	M50	Tit	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	150	—	—
	M50a	Tit	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	58	57	—	di-8	—
	M51	Tit	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	80-100	—	—
South of Washakie Lake (Fig 4E)															
	M53	Bjt	45	121	94	—	—	50	<50	—	6	14	10-20	—	—
	M54	Alt	101	—	—	—	—	85-90	<85	—	54	62	75-80	—	10
	M52	Tit	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	46	56	160	—	22
	M52a	Alt or Tit	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	76	79	—	—	—
Cirque of the Towers (Fig 4F)															
	S56 inner	Gprr	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	—	—
	S56 outer	Gprr	20	54	41	84	33	5	0	—	0	0	0	—	—
	S55	Bjpr	45	92	61	78	67	50-60	10-40	—	—	—	15-25	—	—
	S54	Alt	105	—	—	—	—	80	<80	—	—	—	40-70	—	—
	S55a	Alt	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	41	44	—	—	—

(Continued)

TABLE 6. LICHENOMETRIC, ROCK-WEATHERING, AND LOESS-THICKNESS DATA FOR FIGURES 5A-5F AND 6, WIND RIVER RANGE, WYOMING

Site number	Age and facies†	Maximum diameter of lichen thalli (mm)				C.e.	Rock weathering characteristics			Maximum weathering rind thickness** (mm)	Loess thickness (cm)
		R.g.	L.t.	L. atro.	L.asp.		% weathered	% pitted	Maximum depth of pitting (mm)		
<u>West of Temple Peak (Fig 5A)</u>											
S17a	Alpr	128	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
S17	Alrg	78	—	—	—	—	—	11	22	76	3
<u>Rapid Lake Area (Fig 5B)</u>											
S2a	Bjpr	50	50	90	90	—	—	—	—	—	—
S2	Alt	90	115	115	131	—	—	7	17	70-75	—
S1	Alt	138	—	79	181	—	—	4	17	60-70	30
S3	Alpr	50	80	80	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
S16	Alt	101	—	—	—	—	35-50	30	16	70-75	—
S4	Alrg	93	—	—	—	—	—	2	30	70-80	33
S4b	Tlrg	67	—	—	—	—	—	25	—	—	—
<u>Temple Lake Area (Fig 5C)</u>											
S52a	Gpt	7	—	—	—	—	<5	—	—	0	0
S52	Bjt	46	82	98	118	—	25-30	—	slight	25-30	—
S12	Alt	107	—	—	—	—	80-85	—	—	70-80	<13
S11	Alt	99	—	—	—	—	85	—	—	50-70	—
S13	Alt	99	—	—	—	—	85	30	44	80	—
S7c	Tlt	—	—	—	—	—	—	49	49	—	—
S6b	Tlrf	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
S5a	Tlt	—	—	—	—	—	—	61	76	150	4
S10	Alrg	67	—	—	—	—	80	—	—	70-80	—
S8	Alrg	79	—	—	—	—	80-85	—	—	70-80	—
S7a	Alpr	—	—	—	—	—	—	35	59	—	—
S7b	Tlpr	—	—	—	—	—	—	84	62	150	—
S7	Alrg	101	—	—	—	—	85	—	—	80-90	—
S6b	Alrg	91	—	—	—	—	85	—	—	75-80	—
S6a	Alrg	95	—	—	—	—	85	35-59	65	—	—
S5	Alrf	95	—	—	—	—	85	—	—	75-80	—
<u>Deep Lake Area (Fig 5C)</u>											
S14	Alt	103	—	—	—	—	85	10	33	50-8-	0
S15	Tlt	141	—	—	—	—	85	36	66	90-120	17
<u>NE of East Temple Peak (Fig 5D)</u>											
S15a	P erratics	—	—	—	—	—	—	45	—	—	28
S18	Gpt-inner	0	59	25	43	54	5	0	0	0	0
S18	Gpt-middle	0	69	39	6	—	5	0	0	0	0
S18	Gpt-outer	30	88	72	50	41	40-50	—	—	—	—
S19	Bjt	37	79	89	113	—	40	2	0	0	0
<u>S20, S20a</u>											
S21	Alrg	118	—	—	—	—	85	9	46	70-75	11
S22	Alrg	68	—	—	—	—	85	—	—	75-85	—
S22	Alt	91	—	—	—	—	80-85	2	15	65-75	13
S23	Alt	89	—	—	—	—	75	—	—	70-80	—
S24	Alt	—	—	—	—	—	75-80	—	—	70-80	8
S25	Tlt	—	—	—	—	—	—	54	31	100-150	17
S23a	Tlt	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	46

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TABLE 6. LICHENOMETRIC, ROCK-WEATHERING, AND LOESS-THICKNESS DATA FOR FIGURES 5A-5F AND 6, WIND RIVER RANGE, WYOMING (Continued)

Site number	Age and facies ¹	Maximum diameter of lichen thalli (mm)				Rock weathering characteristics				Loess thickness (cm)			
		R.g.	L.t.	L. atro.	L.asp.	C.e.	Maximum lichen cover (%)	Average lichen cover (%)	Height of K-feldspar phenocrysts (mm)		% weathered	% pitted	Maximum depth of pitting (mm)
NE of East Temple Peak (Fig 5D)													
S27	Alrg	57	—	—	—	—	80	—	20	16	21	70-75	—
S26	Tlrg	80	—	—	—	—	85	—	>30	62	41	>150	—
West of Wind River Peak (Fig 5D)													
S30a	Gpt	0	33	26	—	8	<5	0	—	0	0	—	—
S30	Bjt	48	115	124	116	—	30	15-20	—	2	—	20-30	—
S31	Bjt or older	66	—	—	—	—	75	30-50	5-7	—	30	—	—
S29	Alrg	91	—	—	—	—	85	—	15-20	—	—	75-80	—
S29a	Alrg	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	25	30	—	—
S32	Alrg	93	—	—	—	—	85	—	—	—	—	75-80	—
S32a	Alrg	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	22	49	—	<4
North of Wind River Peak (Fig 5D)													
S48 inner ridge	Gpt	0	54	36	38	70	5	<1	—	0	0	0	0
S48 2nd ridge	Gpt	0	70	40	40	45	5	<1	—	0	0	0	0
S48 3rd ridge	Gpt	14	72	55	70	57	5	<1	—	0	0	0	—
S49 4-5th ridge	Gpt	8	89	60	75	61	10	—	—	0	0	0	0
S50	Alt	69	—	—	—	—	—	60-75	15	9	43	50-80	14
S51	Alt	92	—	—	—	—	—	85	15-20	19	47	85	5
D3	Alt	40	—	—	—	—	50	25-50	—	—	—	—	18
D4	Alt	68	—	—	—	—	75	50	—	—	—	—	9
D5	Alt	68	—	—	—	—	75	50	—	—	—	—	9
D8	Alt	50	—	—	—	—	75	50	—	—	—	—	12
D6	Tlt	54	—	—	—	—	85	75	—	—	—	—	4
D7	Tlt	51	—	—	—	—	85	75	—	—	—	—	0
North of Black Joe Lake (Fig 5E)													
S33	Gprg	35	73	46	—	38	1	<1	—	0	0	0	—
S35a	Gprg	—	60	38	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
S34	Bjrg	48	136	135	156	—	60	30-40	—	—	—	30	—
S35	Bjrg	54	—	104	126	—	65-70	40-50	—	—	—	15-20	—
S35b	Bjrg	—	—	—	—	—	50-75	—	—	8	32	v. subtle	—
S36	Bjrg	48	138	176	—	—	65-70	40-50	—	—	—	30-40	—
S37	Bjrg	56	171	115	—	—	50-70	20-30	—	—	—	20	—
S38	Alrg	113	—	—	—	—	75-85	—	15	33	25	70-75	—
S39	Alrg	92	—	—	—	—	80-85	—	10-15	17	28	60-70	—
S40	Alrg	105	—	—	—	—	85	—	15-20	32	26	60-70	—
S41	Alt	93	—	—	—	—	80-85	—	—	—	—	70-80	13
S42	Tlt or Tt	—	—	—	—	—	85-90	—	—	—	—	120-140	—
East of Black Joe Lake (Fig 5F)													
S46	Bjrg	50	—	—	—	—	30-60	—	—	5	10	30	—
S46A	Alrg	75	—	—	—	—	85	—	—	—	—	—	—
S47	Alrg	91	—	—	—	—	85	—	20	20	58	75-85	—
S45	Tlt	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	30	61	64	150-250	—

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TABLE 6. LICHENOMETRIC, ROCK-WEATHERING, AND LOESS-THICKNESS DATA FOR FIGURES 5A-5F AND 6, WIND RIVER RANGE, WYOMING (Continued)

Site number	Age and facies ¹	Maximum diameter of lichen thalli (mm)				Rock weathering characteristics				Maximum weathering rind thickness**	Loess thickness (cm)			
		R.g.	L.t.	L. atro.	L.asp.	C.e.	Maximum lichen cover (%)	Average lichen cover (%)	Height of K-feldspar phenocrysts (mm)			% weathered	% pitted	Maximum depth of pitting (mm)
<u>Helen Lake cirque (Fig 6)</u>														
HL1	Gpt	0	—	—	—	—	5	—	—	0*	0*	—	—	0-5
HL2	Bjt	20	—	—	—	—	40	—	—	10*	Few	—	—	2
HL3a	Alt	65	—	—	—	—	85	—	—	<50*	<50*	—	—	25
HL3b	Alt	85	—	—	—	—	85	—	—	<50*	<50*	—	—	30
HL3c	Alt	55	—	—	—	—	85	—	—	<50*	<50*	—	—	—
HL4a	Tlt	50	—	—	—	—	85	—	—	>80%*	>75*	—	—	11-15
HL4b	Tlt	67	—	—	—	—	85	—	—	>80%*	>75*	—	—	—
HL5a	Pt	67	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	100*	>85*	—	—	26-52
HL5b	Pt	67	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	100*	>85*	—	—	—
HL5c	Pt	50	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	100*	>85*	—	—	—
HL5d	Pt	68	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	100*	>85*	—	—	—
<u>Bigfoot Lake cirque (Fig 6)</u>														
BFL1	Gpt	0	—	—	—	—	5	—	—	0*	0*	—	—	5
BFL2	Bjt	—	—	—	—	—	40	—	—	10*	Few	—	—	5
BFL3	Alt	67	—	—	—	—	85	—	—	<50*	<50*	—	—	10-15
BFL4	Tlt	88	—	—	—	—	85	—	—	>80%*	>75*	—	—	13-22
BFL5a	Tlt	68	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	100*	>85*	—	—	18-60
BFL5b	Tlt	62	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	100*	>85*	—	—	—
<u>Ice Lake cirque (Fig 6)</u>														
IL1	Gpt	0	—	—	—	—	5	—	—	0*	0*	—	—	—
IL3	Bjt	70	—	—	—	—	30	—	—	10*	Few	—	—	—
IL4	Alt	80	—	—	—	—	50	—	—	<50*	<50*	—	—	—
IL4a	Tlt	60	—	—	—	—	70	—	—	>80%*	>75*	—	—	35
IL4b	Tlt	50	—	—	—	—	70	—	—	>80%*	>75*	—	—	—
IL5	Pt	40	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	>85*	—	—	—

Note: R.g.—*Rhizocarpon geographicum*, s.l.; L.t.—*Lecanora thomsonii*; L. atro.—*Lecidea atrobrunnea*; L.asp.—*Lecidea aspicilla*; C.e.—*Caloplaca elegans*.

¹See Figure 7 and Table 1 for age and facies designations.

*Estimate in Stough Creek Basin.

**Grain size: f—fine; m—medium; c—coarse. Rock type: d—diabase; di—diorite; g—granite.

Degree of boulder weathering, depth of boulder pitting, and loess thickness are ~50–100 percent greater than those values measured on Alice Lake till (Tables 4–6). Soils are characterized by A/Bt/Cox profiles. These soils have more clay and stronger 10YR and 7.5YR colors relative to the soils developed in Alice Lake till (Tables 2, 3).

Temple Lake till includes the deposit referred to as the Temple Lake Moraine by Hack (1943) and Moss (1951a, 1951b), most of the deposits mapped as Temple Lake Moraine by Currey (1974), and Temple Lake till of Miller and Birkeland (1974). Till in a similar down-valley position in Titcomb Basin in the northern part of the range is mapped as Pinedale by Mahaney et al. (1984a), but ^{14}C and $^{10}\text{Be}/^{26}\text{Al}$ analyses demonstrate that it is coeval with Temple Lake till at its type locality (Zielinski and Davis, 1987; Gosse et al., 1995a, 1999, 2003).

APPROXIMATE AGES OF ALLOFORMATIONS

Recent work has generated a body of numeric-age data for deposits coeval with deposits of the Temple Lake alloformation, but there is little numeric age control for our other alloformations in this study. Radiocarbon ages and ^{10}Be and ^{26}Al exposure ages from boulders help limit the age of Temple Lake till, whereas ^{14}C and lichen growth rate age estimates provide limits for Alice Lake till. The ages of the other alloformations are estimated only by maximum sizes and growth rates of *R. geographicum*, s.l.

Deposits of Pinedale Glaciation

The only deposits of the Pinedale glaciation in the alpine valleys of this study are considered to be recessional moraines and (or) stagnant-ice deposits. As such, these Pinedale deposits are younger than the Pinedale terminal moraines mapped along the mountain front ca. 20–30 km downvalley from deposits discussed here (Gosse et al., 1995b, 2003; Chadwick et al., 1997). The only numeric ages available for deposits of the Pinedale glaciation mapped in this study are those related to Dahms' work in Stough Creek Basin (2002; unpublished data). Preliminary exposure ages of $14,400 \pm 1.4$ and $14,500 \pm 1.4$ ^{10}Be yr were obtained from two boulders on lateral (recessional?) moraines mapped on the eastern valley wall (Fig. 6; D. Fabel, 2009, written commun.).

Temple Lake Alloformation

One radiocarbon sample collected by Miller and Birkeland (1974) provides a minimum age for Temple Lake till. The date is on charcoal from a buried A horizon at 25–27 cm depth at site N8, Gannett Glacier area (Fig. 3). The buried A horizon is part of a soil formed in Temple Lake till, and the overlying sediment is interpreted as loess. The date, 4500 ± 650 ^{14}C yr B.P. (GX 4241), is a minimum age for the underlying till, and a maximum for the overlying loess. The overlying loess probably predates the Black Joe till, because the latter generally lacks a surface loess deposit.

Radiocarbon ages obtained by other workers at its type locality (Fig. 5C) indicate a much older minimum age for Temple Lake till. Currey (1974) reports an age of 6500 ± 230 ^{14}C yr B.P. on organic matter in sediment that overlies the till, and Zielinski and Davis (1987) obtained an even older age of $11,400 \pm 630$ ^{14}C yr B.P. for basal gyttja in a core from a lake that lies on the till. The latter date indicates that the till is latest Pleistocene in age.

Corroboration for a latest Pleistocene age for Temple Lake till comes from Gosse et al. (1995a, 2003) in Titcomb Basin, immediately south of the Gannett Glacier locality, and from Dahms (2002) in Stough Creek Basin. Gosse et al. (2003) report mean exposure ages of 12.9 ^{10}Be yr B.P. and 13.1 ^{26}Al yr B.P. from erratics on Mahaney's (1978) late Pinedale moraine situated between upper and lower Titcomb Lakes. Thus, the tills of Mahaney's (1978) late Pinedale moraines (1978) seem to correlate with Temple Lake till at its type locality. Additionally, Gosse et al. (1999) obtained lake-bottom ^{14}C ages of ca. 10,000 ^{14}C yr B.P. (ca. 11,400 cal yr B.P.) from sediments in upper Titcomb Lake. All of these data support Zielinski and Davis' (1987) correlation of Temple Lake till at its type locality with the Younger Dryas climatic event. Furthermore, Dahms (2002) reported preliminary ^{10}Be exposure ages (production rate based on Lal's 1991 scaling) of 14.6 ± 2.1 and 15.7 ± 2.3 k.y. B.P. from striated bedrock on the cirque lip (riegel) 0.6 km downvalley from the Temple Lake moraine in Bigfoot Lake cirque (Fig. 6). These ages suggest ice was absent from this location prior to the purported advance of Temple Lake ice during the Younger Dryas.

Alice Lake Alloformation

We estimate the age of the Alice Lake alloformation to be ca. 3800–6000 yr B.P. Two radiocarbon ages obtained for this study provide minimum limiting dates for deposition of the alloformation. One age is on charcoal at 37–38 cm depth in stream alluvium located just upstream from site M48, south of South Fork Lakes (Fig. 4E). Field relations indicate that the alluvium postdates the till, therefore the age of 2415 ± 174 ^{14}C yr B.P. (GX 3240) is a minimum age for Alice Lake till. The second age is on finely divided humic materials from a depth of 59–64 cm in a bog that overlies Alice Lake till at site N10b at the Dinwoody Glacier area (Fig. 3). The total depth of the bog deposit is unknown, but it is >69 cm deep, and consists mainly of an organic-rich loam (10YR 2/1 moist color). We consider the age of the organic material, 3895 ± 190 ^{14}C yr B.P. (GX 3242), to be the most reliable of the above two minimum limiting ages for the Alice Lake till. Since the charcoal at South Fork Lakes could have been washed to its collected position at any time after deposition of the moraine, it is likely the older (bog) date is closer to the true age of the till, although still a minimum age.

Age estimates from lichen diameters vary from ca. 4000 to ca. 6000 yr B.P., depending on the growth rates used for the calculations. We consider that the use of the largest measured lichen diameter to calculate growth rate results in a minimum limiting age for a deposit because (1) an unknown period of time elapses

before lichens colonize a site, (2) when the largest lichen isn't equidimensional, we prefer to measure the smaller lichen diameter (rather than the largest) to avoid measuring two intergrown thalli, and (3) the lichens may have experienced snow kill.

The largest *R. geographicum*, s.l. thallus we measured on a deposit of the Alice Lake alloformation is 138 mm in diameter. Growth rates of 3.0–3.3 mm/100 yr (see “Lichen Parameters” above) suggested by Benedict (1967, 1985) and Mahaney (1987) result in minimum age calculations of ca. 4180–4600 yr B.P. If, however, we use Dahms' (2002) growth rate of 2.4 mm/100 yr (calculated from the average of the five largest *minimum* thalli diameters (Tables 4–6), a 138 mm-diameter lichen might be as old as ca. 5750 yr. Recall, however, that the lichen growth-rate curve is estimated to be reliable only to ca. 3000 yr B.P., because senescence apparently begins after this (see Benedict 1967). Ages older than ca. 3000 yr B.P. estimated from lichen diameters can only be minimum limiting ages.

Our estimate of the age of the Alice Lake deposits includes more than estimates from minimum limiting ^{14}C ages and lichen growth rates. Using lichen growth data alone, the Alice Lake deposits appear only slightly older than the Black Joe deposits (ca. 2000 versus ca. 3800 yr B.P.). Soil and boulder weathering data, however, suggest a larger age difference. Soil horizons are distinctly more developed on Alice Lake moraines than on Black Joe moraines. When we account for differences in soil development between Black Joe and Alice Lake deposits, age-related parameters such as clay percent in B horizons, B horizon thickness, and profile thickness (A-B-Cox horizons) are significantly more developed in Alice Lake deposits than in Black Joe deposits (Tables 2–3). No Black Joe soils exhibit B horizons while Bt horizons are common in Alice Lake soils (Tables 2–3). It is reasonable to conclude that the Alice Lake deposits are considerably older than the minimum-limiting bog and lichen age estimates.

The work of Zielinski (1989) has important implications concerning our age assignments based on RA data. Zielinski cored lake sediments in Miller and Rapid Lakes (Figs. 5, 5B) and performed detailed analyses of particle size, organic carbon, extractable Fe, and clay mineralogy. The oldest radiocarbon age from the Miller Lake sediment core is 8300 ± 475 ^{14}C yr, and that from the Rapid Lake core is $11,770 \pm 710$ ^{14}C yr.

Our mapping indicates that Alice Lake rock glacier deposits border the west shores of both lakes. Zielinski (1989) argues that these rock glacier deposits are too young to be assigned to the Alice Lake alloformation. He suggests that as they advanced into the lakes, Alice Lake age rock glaciers (extending to the lakes' edge) should have produced a diagnostic clastic layer on the lake floors above these two dated layers. Neither core, however, records a major period of clastic sedimentation younger than (above) the two dated intervals (ca. 8300 and ca. 11,700 yr B.P.) that can be attributed to the presence of rock glaciers. He identifies a minor clastic layer in one core that could possibly have been produced by a rock glacier advance ~7500 years ago, but he prefers an older age for this layer. Three interpretations are possible of Zielinski's data are possible: (i) our RA-based age

estimates for these rock-glacier deposits are too young; (ii) these rock-glacier deposits postdate the lake sediments in Zielinski's cores; or (iii) the rock-glacier may have produced clastic sediment that did not extend far enough in the lake to appear in Zielinski's cores.

Fall et al. (1995) produce pollen data and additional ^{14}C analyses of Zielinski's cores and place the beginning of neoglaciation in Temple Lake valley at ca. 3300 ^{14}C yr B.P. Preliminary analyses of cores elsewhere in the Wind River Range, however (from upper and lower Titcomb Lakes in the northern part of the range), suggest neoglaciation began as early as 9500–8000 cal yr B.P. or as late as 6000–5300 cal yr B.P. (Gosse et al., 1999; J.C. Gosse, 2000, written commun.). We presently assign a minimum age of ca. 4000 yr B.P. for deposition of the Alice Lake alloformation based on our lichen data and the ostensible lag time between deposition of till and the formation of >5 cm of organics in the bog below Dinwoody Glacier. Our soil development and boulder weathering characteristics, however, as well as the Titcomb Lakes' core data (above) suggest this alloformation could be as old as or older than 6000 yr B.P.

Black Joe Alloformation

No radiocarbon ages are presently available for deposits of the Black Joe alloformation. The largest *R. geographicum*, s.l. thallus on a boulder assigned to the Black Joe alloformation has a diameter of 70 mm (Table 5, Ice Lake, Fig. 6). This diameter suggests a minimum age of between 1842 and 1944 yr B.P., using Benedict's (1985) and Mahaney's (1987) growth-rate curves. Use of the 3.0–3.3 mm/yr growth rates appear more appropriate on Black Joe deposits than for the older deposits (above) because senescence would not appear to be a problem on the younger deposits (Benedict 1967, 1985). That is, growth rate estimates from maximum diameters seem more appropriate here than averages of minimum diameter thalli measurements. When we compare our lichen, boulder weathering, and soil data from the Black Joe units to adjacent Gannett Peak and Alice Lake units (Tables 4–6), the use of Dahms' (2002) 2.4 mm/100 yr growth rate results in anomalous lichen age-estimates (ca. 2900 yr B.P.). Thus, we consider the Black Joe alloformation to be no older than ca. 2000 yr B.P.

Gannett Peak Alloformation

The largest, *R. geographicum*, s.l. thallus on a deposit assigned to the Gannett Peak alloformation has a diameter of 35 mm (Table 5, north of Black Joe Lake, Fig. 5E), which suggests an age of ca. 700 yr B.P., using Mahaney's (1987) growth-rate (3.0 mm/100 yr) and including the “great growth period” described by Benedict (1967). In some cirques, Gannett Peak deposits could be considerably younger based on lichen and other parameters (Tables 4–6). For example, at site N9 (Fig. 3) sand- and pebble-sized material still rests on the tops of large glacial erratics, suggesting deposition within the twentieth century.

SUMMARY

Relative-age (RA) criteria are used to quantify post-depositional alteration of glacial and periglacial deposits in the Wind River Range, west-central Wyoming. We distinguished and mapped deposits of latest Pleistocene and Holocene age on the basis of these RA criteria. Map units are till, rock-glacier, protalus-rampart, and rockfall deposits (facies) of four alloformations. All type localities are on till.

The oldest unit is the Temple Lake alloformation of latest Pleistocene age. Its type locality was described by Hack (1943) and Moss (1951a, 1951b) in the southern part of the Wind River Range. The progressively younger Alice Lake and Black Joe alloformations are of Holocene age; their type localities are near that of the Temple Lake. The youngest unit is the Gannett Peak alloformation. Its type locality is near Gannett Peak in the northern area of the Wind River Range (Richmond, 1957, 1965). Radiocarbon ages from this and other studies, along with relative-age data that include soil development characteristics, lichen size-age estimates, and boulder weathering parameters, provide chronologic control for the map units and suggest the following broad age estimates: Temple Lake is coeval to the Younger Dryas (Alley et al., 1993) at ca. 12,000 yr B.P.; Alice Lake is greater than 4000 yr B.P. and possibly as old or older than ca. 6000 yr B.P.; Black Joe is ca. 1700–2000 yr B.P.; and Gannett Peak ranges from 750 to 150 yr B.P. We anticipate future cosmogenic radionuclide (^{10}Be , ^{26}Al , etc) age estimates will help constrain the ages of these deposits, using our maps as a guide to sample sites.

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