

- ### DESCRIPTION OF UNITS
- Qal** ALLUVIUM—Unconsolidated sand, silt, clay, and gravel in stream and river channels on modern flood plains
 - Qsp** SALT PLAINS DEPOSITS—Extensive salt deposition on the Cimarron River flood plain. Includes the Big Salt Plain (T.29N., R.19W.) and Little Salt Plain (T.29N., R.21W.)
 - Qpy** PLAYA DEPOSIT—Unconsolidated clay and silt in shallow depressions that contain water for variable periods of time. Includes Randall clay loam soil of Nance and others (1960)
 - Qao** OLDER ALLUVIUM—Unconsolidated sand, silt, clay, and gravel in stream and river channels mostly between 0 and 12 m above modern flood plains
 - Qao2** OLDER ALLUVIUM—Unconsolidated sand, silt, clay, and gravel in stream and river channels mostly between 12 and 24 m above modern flood plains
 - Qpd** PEDIMENT DEPOSIT—Unconsolidated sand, silt, clay, and gravel forming an immature alluvial fan or debris field that gently slopes away from bedrock escarpments
 - Qds** DUNE SAND—Unconsolidated windblown sand formed into definite vegetated dune structures and ridges
 - Qcs** COVER SAND—Featureless sheet of windblown sand and minor silt distinguishable from Qds only on the basis of soil association. Mapped as Mansker-Gahart and Pratt soil associations by Nance and others (1960). May correlate to the Blackwater Draw Formation of Reeves (1976)
 - Qcl** COVER LOESS—Featureless sheet of windblown silt and minor sand distinguishable from Qcs only on the basis of soil association. Mapped as Mansker-Potter soil association by Nance and others (1960). May correlate to the Blackwater Draw Formation of Reeves (1976)
 - Qtg** TERRACE GRAVEL—Unconsolidated gravel, sand, silt, and clay laid down at several levels along former courses of present-day streams and rivers

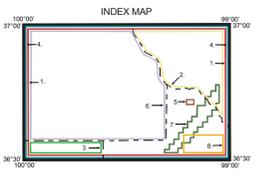
- ### UNCONFORMITY
- Nog** OGALLALA FORMATION—Mostly unconsolidated to moderately cemented, light gray to light brown stream-laid deposits of sand, silt, clay, and gravel capped by light-colored caliche. Uncommon fossiliferous freshwater limestone and rare volcanic ash
- ### UNCONFORMITY
- Kki** KIOWA SHALE—Dark gray, fossiliferous shale in lower part, grading upward into yellowish-brown fossiliferous shale. A buff to light gray, ledge-forming sandstone bed occurs toward middle, and a light brown, ledge-forming limestone bed occurs near top of exposures
- ### UNCONFORMITY
- Pcc** CLOUD CHIEF FORMATION—Reddish-brown to orange brown, locally greenish-gray shale; interbedded with thin, reddish-brown fine-grained sandstone and siltstone. Bedding locally chaotic due to slumping; caliche vining common. Base mapped at base of the Moccasin Creek Gypsum Bed
 - Prs** RUSH SPRINGS FORMATION—Reddish-brown, fine-grained sandstone, commonly cross-bedded, with local interbeds of reddish-brown shale. Upper third is massive sandstone
 - Pmw** MARLOW FORMATION—Usually a soft-weathering, orange-brown, fine-grained sandstone with local interbeds of very sandy shale and siltstone. Relay Creek Dolomite occurs 15 - 20 ft below top; top of formation locally mapped at base of Emanuel Bed
 - Pdc** DOG CREEK SHALE—Poorly exposed sequence of alternating reddish-brown shale, silt shale, and siltstone, with thin gypsum beds and stringers occurring throughout. Base mapped at the top of highest massive Blaine gypsum bed
 - Pbl** BLAINE FORMATION—Alternating sequence of three massive gypsum beds, each separated by intervals of reddish-brown shale. Each gypsum with a thin dolomite bed at base. Units form prominent escarpment above the Cimarron River
 - Pfp** FLOWERPOET SHALE—Reddish-brown silty shale; upper part with alternating thin gypsum beds that give unit a characteristic striped pattern at distance

- ### SYMBOLS
- Unit contact; approximately located

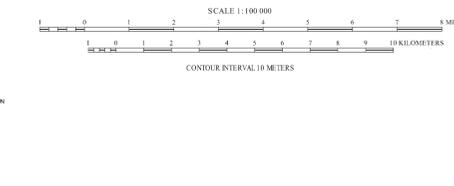
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