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LATE CARBONIFEROUS

PICTOU GROUP

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CAPE DAUPHIN FORMATION (MCMcd): grey shale and siltstone with red shale and minor limestone; rare gypsum and anhydrite

MACKEIGAN LAKE FORMATION (MCMMI): grey shale and siltstone with red shale and minor limestone; rare gypsum and anhydrite

LOWER MABOU GROUP (UNDIVIDED) (MCMIu): grey and minor red shale and siltstone and minor limestone; rare gypsum and anhydrite

## EARLY CARBONIFEROUS

MIDDLE CARBONIFEROUS

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MABOU GROUP

WINDSOR GROUP

UNDIVIDED (ECwu): siltstone, carbonate rocks, evaporites, typically highly deformed (mainly middle and upper Windsor Group)

## UPPER WINDSOR GROUP

HOOD ISLAND FORMATION (ECwhi): red-brown siltstone, intercalated limestone, dolostone and gypsum

WOODBINE ROAD FORMATION (ECWwr): red siltstone, sandstone and conglomerate with interbedded limestone and dolostone; minor gypsum and anhydrite

UIST FORMATION (ECWust): red siltstone and minor conglomerate with intercalated limestone and dolostone; minor gypsum and anhydrite

## MIDDLE WINDSOR GROUP

UPPER MIDDLE WINDSOR GROUP (UNDIVIDED) (ECwum): limestone, variably dolomitic and fossiliferous with intercalated gypsum, fine-grained red sandstone and siltstone

LOCH LOMOND FORMATION (ECWII): gypsum and anhydrite with red siltstone, sandstone, conglomerate and thin carbonate beds

ENON FORMATION (ECwe): gypsum, anhydrite, limestone with minor dolostone intercalated with red siltstone, sandstone and conglomerate

MEADOWS ROAD FORMATION (ECwmr): red siltstone, sandstone and congomerate with intercalated gypsum, anhydrite and carbonate

LOWER MIDDLE WINDSOR GROUP (UNDIVIDED) (ECWIM): anhydrite and gypsum, minor laminated carbonate rocks

#### LOWER WINDSOR GROUP

SYDNEY RIVER FORMATION (ECWsr): anhydrite and gypsum, red congomerate and sandstone, grey silstone and shale with minor interbedded salt and limestone

ISLE MADAME FORMATION (ECwim): limestone

GAYS RIVER FORMATION (ECwgr): limestone, minor dolostone, mainly thin-bedded; local fossiliferous mounds

MACBETH BROOK FORMATION (ECWmb): limestone, in part dolomitic, laminated and/or banded, stromatolitic

CARROLLS CORNER FORMATION (ECWcc): gypsum and anhydrite, with minor interbedded carbonate rocks and rare grey siltstone (overlain by thick halite interval in subsurface)

MACUMBER FORMATION (ECwm): grey and grey-green, laminated pelloidal limestone

#### PLUTONIC ROCKS

ST. PETERS GABBRO (ECsp): black to grey fine- to coarse-grained gabbro; minor basalt

HORTON LAKE GABBRO (EChl): black to grey medium- to coarse-grained gabbro; locally fine grained

## HORTON GROUP

UNDIVIDED (ECHu): grey and red sandstone, shale, mudstone and conglomerate

#### UPPER HORTON GROUP

AINSLIE FORMATION (ECHa): grey-green and red-brown sandstone interbedded with red-brown and minor grey siltstone and shale

STEEP CREEK FORMATION (ECHsc): grey polymictic conglomerate, quartz-rich to subarkosic sandstone, grey, grey-green and red siltstone

CALEDONIA MILLS FORMATION (ECHCM): maroon to light grey, massive to well-laminated siltstone, shale and sandstone, with rare polymictic conglomerate

#### MIDDLE HORTON GROUP

STRATHLORNE FORMATION (ECHs): grey to dark grey siltstone, fine-grained sandstone and shale; minor limestone

JUDIQUE FACIES (ECHs-j): tan, brown and reddish-brown sandstone with minor grey shale

TRACADIE ROAD FORMATION (UNDIVIDED) (ECHtru): grey fine- to medium-grained sandstone and conglomerate, dark grey to black laminated siltstone and shale, light grey, fine-grained sandstone and quartz arenite

LINCOLNVILLE MEMBER (ECHtr-I): grey and dark grey siltstone, in part highly calcareous, with interbedded quartz-rich sandstone HALFMOON LAKE MEMBER (ECHtr-h): grey sandstone, quartz-rich and in part arkosic with polymictic channel lags and interbeds of

dark grey siltstone GRAND GREVE MEMBER (ECHtr-g): grey to black siltstone with grey sandstone and minor polymictic conglomerate; red siltstone intercalated in the upper parts





MACLEAN BROOK GRANODIORITE (Smbgd): red, medium- to coarse-grained, subporphyritic granodiorite

MIDDLE ASPY RIVER ORTHOGNEISS (Sma): fine- to medium-grained biotite granodioritic orthogneisss

TAYLORS BARREN PLUTON (Stb): pink to red, medium- to coarse-grained variably foliated augen monzogranite to syenogranite

## CHÉTICAMP LAKE GNEISS

SCLpg: semipelitic paragneiss, quartzofeldspathic orthogneiss; SCLgn: pelitic gneiss

MCDONALD GLEN BROOK FORMATION (Smg): quartz-feldspar crystal tuff, lithic tuff, andesite, basalt, red siltstone and arenite, rhyolite and felsic

MACKINNONS BROOK TRAIL FORMATION (Smb): black and red shale, siltstone, quartz arenite and dolomitic limestone

SARACH BROOK METAMORPHIC SUITE (Ssbms): felsic-intermediate flows and pyroclastic rocks, minor slate, conglomerate

## ORDOVICIAN-SILURIAN

CLYBURN BROOK FORMATION (OScb): metamorphosed felsic and mafic volcanic and volcaniclastic rocks, slate, phyllite, psammite

# MONEY POINT GROUP

UNDIVIDED (OSMPu): pelitic, semipelitic and psammitic schist, metaconglomerate, mafic to felsic volcanic and pyroclastic schist, metarhyolite

- GULCH BROOK FORMATION (OSMPgb): pelitic, semipelitic and psammitic schist, metaconglomerate
- SHAG ROOST FORMATION OSMPSrv: mafic to felsic volcanic and pyroclastic schist; OSMPSrr: metarhyolite

MIDDLE RIVER METAMORPHIC SUITE (OSmr): medium- to high-grade metasedimentary rocks including psammite, biotite-garnet-kyanite schist, amphibolite, marble; abundant pegmatite

MACRAE BROOK FORMATION (OSmb): interbedded volcanic and sedimentary rocks

PLUTONIC ROCKS

### PLEASANT BAY COMPLEX

BELLE CÔTE ROAD ORTHOGNEISS (OSPBbc): light grey homogeneous quartz-feldspar-biotite +/- garnet orthogneiss; minor amphibolite and minor paragneiss

MACKENZIES MOUNTAIN ORTHOGNEISS (OSPBmm): megacrystic orthogneiss

FIRST FORK BROOK GNEISS (OSPBff): banded mafic quartz-feldspar-biotite-hornblende+/- garnet gneiss, amphibolite, minor pelitic gneiss and granitic orthogneiss

CAMBRIAN

UPPER FISSET BROOK QUARTZ DIORITE (Cuf): grey to red-grey, medium- to coarse-grained, equigranular to porphyritic liorite to quartz diorite and tonalite

CHÉTICAMP RIVER TONALITE (Ccr): grey to red-grey, fine- to medium-grained, equigranular tonalite to granodiorite

GRASS COVE PLUTON (Egcgd): medium- to coarse-grained hornblende-biotite granodiorite to tonalite with aplite dykes

HIGHLANDS GRANITOID ROCKS (Eh): varied granitoid rocks of uncertain age

INDIAN BROOK GRANODIORITE (Eib): pink to red medium-grained biotite-hornblende granodiorite

INGONISH RIVER TONALITE (Eir): dark grey to light grey, medium- to coarse-grained tonalite with magmatic epidote; variably

ATHY ROAD DIORITIC SUITE (Ekr): fine- to coarse-grained black and white dioritic rocks; vary from equigranular to strongly ed/foliated to gneissic; include diorite, quartz diorite, tonalite and hornblendite

ELLYS MOUNTAIN DIORITE (Ekm): fine- to coarse-grained locally poprhyritic dioritic rocks; mainly quartz diorite; varies to gabbro, tonalite, quartz monzodiorite, granodiorite, quartz monzonite and hornblendite

KERRS BROOK GRANITE/GRANODIORITE (Ekb): pink to red medium-grained biotite-hornblende granodiorite gradational to iranite

LEWIS MOUNTAIN PLUTON - Elmd: medium-grained hornblende-biotite diorite; Elmt: medium-grained nblende-biotite diorite, tonalite and quartz diorite; **Elmmg**: medium-grained hornblende-biotite monzogranite

MARBLE MOUNTAIN PLUTON - Emmgd: medium- to coarse-grained, locally porphyritic hornblende-biotite granodiorite to tonalite; **Emmbgd**: medium- to coarse-grained, locally porphyritic biotite granodiorite to tonalite

MIDDLE HEAD LEUCODIORITE (Emh): grey medium- to coarse-grained leucodiorite

MILL BROOK QUARTZ DIORITE (Emb): medium- to coarse-grained, inequigranular quartz diorite to tonalite

MURRAY BROOK GRANODIORITE (Embgd): pink to red medium-grained biotite-hornblende granodiorite

MURRAY MOUNTAIN QUARTZ MONZODIORITE (Emm): dark grey to pinkish-grey, fine- to medium-grained porphyritic to nequigranular biotite-hornblende guartz monzodiorite

NEW GLEN GRANITE (Eng): grey to white medium-grained biotite granodiorite with pink microcline phenocrysts; weakly

NORTH BRANCH BADDECK RIVER LEUCOTONALITE (Enb): white to grey, medium- to coarse-grained leucotonalite to onalite; mainly cataclastic to mylonitic; abundant mafic dykes

RIVER DENYS TONALITE (Erd): fine- to medium-grained, locally porphyritic tonalite gradational to quartz diorite and diorite

SHUNACADIE PLUTON - Eslg: pink coarse-grained leucogranite; Esmg: pink medium-grained biotite monzogranite; **Esgd**: pink medium-grained biotite granodiorite; **Esd**: grey fine- to medium-grained diorite to quartz diorite and quartz monzodiorite

KI HILL GRANODIORITE (**Esh**): light grey to pinkish-grey, medium- to coarse-grained biotite-hornblende granodiorite

SKYE MOUNTAIN QUARTZ DIORITE (Esmgd): medium- to coarse-grained, inequigranular diorite to quartz diorite

NAKE CAT LAKE GRANODIORITE (Esc): grey to white medium-grained biotite granodiorite with glomeroporphyritic quartz;

BLACKROCK POINT GABBRO (MEbr): dark grey gabbro with plagioclase phenocrysts

MACLEANS POINT PLUTON (MEmp): grey to grey-green fine- to medium-grained tonalite

FRAMBOISE FORMATION (MEFf): grey-green, crystal-rich dacitic tuff and lithic lapilli tuff; minor rhyolitic lapilli tuff and siliceous laminated tuff

CRICKET LAKE FORMATION (MEFcl): dacitic to rhyolitic crystal-rich lithic lapilli tuff; fine- grained rhyolitic tuff and chert; minor rhyolitic flows

GULL LAKE FORMATION (MEFgI): dark grey to black, fine-grained massive andesitic tuffs and flows; basaltic tuffs and flows; dark grey to black

GRAND RIVER PLUTON (MEgr): pink to grey medium-grained leucogranite

BOTTLE HEAD FORMATION (MEFbh): basaltic lapilli tuff and breccia; basaltic flows (locally amygdaloidal); minor litharenite

GABARUS FORMATION (MEFg): grey-green dacitic to andesitic crystal-rich lithic lapilli tuff; abundant basaltic lenses (flows)

JOHNSON LAKE FORMATION (MEFjl): dacitic to rhyolitic lapilli ruff and tuffaceous conglomerate; mainly red to maroon

FOURCHU HEAD FORMATION (MEFfh): dacitic to rhyolitic lapilli tuff; minor basaltic to andesitic flows and fine-grained tuffs

monzodiorite with needle-like hornblende phenocrysts

hearing and cataclasis

MATHESONS LAKE FORMATION (MEFml): black to grey, fine-grained andesitic lapilli tuffs and flows

KENNINGTON COVE FORMATION (MEFkc): dacitic quartz-feldspar lapilli tuff and tuff

PLUTONIC ROCKS (in alphabetical order)

CAPE GABARUS FORMATION (MEFcg): basaltic and andesitic lapilli tuffs and flows

grained quartz monzodiorite

FOURCHU GROUP

EARLY EDIACARAN

dacitic crystal-rich tuff; minor litharenite and siltstone

CAPELIN COVE PLUTON (MEcc): pink to light grey coarse-grained leucomonzogranite and minor granodiorite; widespread

CHISHOLM BROOK PLUTONIC SUITE - EEcbd: grey to black medium- to coarse-grained diorite to

quartz diorite; EEcbgd: red to pink to grey-green medium- to coarse-grained biotite-hornblende

HUNTINGTON MOUNTAIN PLUTON - EEhmd: grey fine- to coarse-grained dioritic

COXHEATH HILLS PLUTON - EEchd: dark grey fine- to coarse- but mainly medium-grained

rocks; EEhmgd: grey medium-grained biotite granodiorite; EEhmlg: pink medium- to

diorite to quartz diorite; **EEchgd**: pale grey medium-grained biotite-hornblende granodiorite

granodiorite, locally porphyritic with plagioclase phenocrysts; **EEcbmd**: grey to pink fine- to medium-grained quartz

grading to monzogranite; EEchgb: dark grey medium- to coarse-grained gabbronorite; EEchgmd: grey fine- to medium-

coarse-grained leucogranite; EEhmmg: pinkish-grey medium-grained monzogranite; EEhmsg: pink fine- to medium-grained

#### LOWER HORTON GROUP

CREIGNISH FORMATION (ECHc): grey and greenish-grey sandstone ranging to conglomerate; reddish-brown conglomerate, pebble sandstone and coarse sandstone; abundant gabbroic dykes and sills

QUARTZ-RICH FACIES (ECHc-q): pale greyish-red to almost white sandstone, pebbly sandstone and minor conglomerate

#### CLAM HARBOUR RIVER FORMATION

GOOSE HARBOUR LAKE MEMBER (ECHch-g): grey-green and pale reddish-grey siltstone with interbeds of fine-grained red and grey sandstone

ENGLANDS LAKE MEMBER (ECHCh-e): grey to pale reddish-grey sandstone with polymictic conglomerate in beds to 10 m in thickness; interbeds of maroon and grey-green siltstone

L'ARDOISE MEMBER (ECHch-I): light grey to white thickly bedded quartz arenite, minor black laminated siltstone and shale, minor polymictic conglomerate

GRANTMIRE FORMATION (ECHg): red conglomerate, sandstone and shale with minor pedogenic limestone; in places may include basal Windsor Group, or may be equiavlent to conglomerate in other formations

#### LATE DEVONIAN

SILURIAN

LOWLAND COVE FORMATION (LDIc): porphyritic rhyolite, sandstone, tuff, conglomerate, amygdaloidal basalt

FISSET BROOK FORMATION - LDfbu: undivided amygdaloidal to vesicular basalt interbedded with grey conglomerate and sandstone; less abundant rhyolite and basaltic lithic tuff; LDfbr: mainly pink to brown flow-banded rhyolite; LDfbb: mainly vesicular and amygdaloidal basalt; LDfbss: sandstone, siltstone, shale, conglomerate

# **BLAIR RIVER INLIER**

SAMMYS BARREN GRANITE (Ssb): pink, medium-grained quartz-microcline granite

RED RAVINE SYENITE (Srr): medium-grained microcline syenite

FOX BACK RIDGE DIORITE (Sfb): hornblende-porprhyritic diorite and granodiorite

#### MESOPROTEROZOIC-PALEOZOIC

MEAT COVE MARBLE (mPPmc): marble, calc-silicate rocks

PLUTONIC ROCKS

BLAIR RIVER INLIER MYLONITE (mPPPbr): varied mylonitic rocks

#### MESOPROTEROZOIC

PLUTONIC ROCKS

OTTER BROOK GNEISS (mPob): medium- to coarse-grained biotite-garnet granitoid gneiss

UPPER GRAYS HOLLOW BROOK CHARNOCKITE (mPug): massive and layered granitoid rocks with orthopyroxene and clinopyroxene

LOWLAND BROOK SYENITE (mPlb): red, coarse-grained syenite; varies from massive pyroxene-bearing syenite to gneissic nornblende-bearing syenite

HIGH CAPES ANORTHOSITE (mPhc): anorthosite

RED RIVER ANORTHOSITE SUITE (mPrr): white, buff or pink anorthosite; coarse-grained leucogabbro; interlayered gabbro, eucogabbro and anorthosite with pyroxene-apatite-ilmenite dykes and layers

DELANEYS BROOK ANORTHOSITE (mPdb): mainly massive white anorthosite

SALMON RIVER ANORTHOSITE (mPsr): deformed and altered anorthosite

SAILOR BROOK GNEISS (mPsb): tonalitic to dioritic gneiss, granitic gneiss; locally layered mafic gneiss and granulite

#### JUMPING BROOK METAMORPHIC SUITE

UNDIVIDED (CJBu): low- to medium-grade pelitic to psammitic schist, metavolcanic rocks, amphibolite

ROCKY BROOK FORMATION (CJBrb): grey to silver, coarse-grained phyllitic arkosic sandstone and cobble to boulder conglomerate

CORNEY BROOK FORMATION (CJBcb): silver to light grey, staurolite-garnet-kyanite-bearing schist; gradational to Dauphinee Brook Formation

DAUPHINEE BROOK FORMATION (CJBdb): dark grey slate and thinly to thickly bedded phyllitic arkosic sandstone, conglomerate, thinly bedded white quartzite; minor phyllitic felsic crystal to crystal lithic tuff

BARREN BROOK FORMATION (CJBbb): pale grey schistose arkosic sandstone and conglomerate; minor felsic crystal tuff

FARIBAULT BROOK FORMATION (CJBfb): dark green, fine-grained phyllitic mafic tuff and basalt flows and synchronous mafic sills/dykes, minor quartz-muscovite schist

FISHING COVE RIVER FORMATION (CJBfc): silver to light grey, garnet-kyanite-bearing schist and gneiss

## NEOPROTEROZOIC-SILURIAN

CAPE NORTH GROUP

UNDIVIDED (nPSCNu): semipelitic, pelitic and calcsilicate gneiss, minor marble and amphibolite

SPARLINGS FORMATION (**nPScNsf**): pelitic gneiss

MACGREGOR BROOK FORMATION - **nPScNmbm**: marble and calc-silicate gneiss; **nPScNmbq**: quartz-feldspar-biotite-hornblende

GILLANDERS MOUNTAIN METAMORPHIC SUITE

UNDIVIDED (nPSGMu): semi-pelitic schist, quartzofeldspathic gneiss

EGYPT MOUNTAIN ROAD FORMATION (nPSGMem): psammitic to pelitic schist, metabasite, minor quartzofeldspathic augen gneiss SALT BROOK FORMATION: (nPSGMsb): massive to foliated amphibolite, garnetiferous semipelitic schist, minor graphic schist

STEWART BROOK FORMATION (nPsb): pale grey to grey to pale green, spotted metasiltstone to phyllitic quartzo-feldspathic sandstone; white quartzite; quartzo-feldspathic schist and gneiss

PEMBROKE LAKE MONZOGRANITE (nPpl): medium- to coarse-grained, equigranular to locally megacrystic, muscovitetite-bearing monzogranite

FARM BROOK GRANODIORITE (nPfb): pink, medium- to coarse-grained, inequigranular to locally megacrystic, granodiorite o monzogranite

RIGWASH BROOK GRANODIORITE (nPrb): pink, medium- to coarse-grained, inequigranular to locally megacrystic, granodiorite to monzogranite

MCAULAY BROOK GROUP

NEOPROTEROZOIC

MACLELLAN BROOK GNEISSIC COMPLEX (nPMBmb): quartzofeldspathic and amphibolitic gneiss and minor marble intruded by sheets and dykes of diorite, granodiorite, granite, aplite and pegmatitie

UPPER MCAULAY BROOK FORMATION (nPMBum): dark green to grey-green mafic schist and phyllite, pink and brown quartzofeldspathic schist (metarhyolite?)

SOUTH CAPE HIGHLANDS FORMATION (nPMBsc): mafic phyllite and schist

MABOU HIGHLANDS LEUCOTONALITE (nPmh): grey to grey-green, coarse-grained leucotonalite; typically sheared

SIGHT POINT GROUP

SIGHT POINT FORMATION (**nPSPsp**): grey-green schist with volcanic clasts interlayered with grey fine-grained schist

STEWARTS BROOK FORMATION (nPsPsb): dark grey-green fine-grained mafic schist and dark green medium-grained amphibolite

GLENORA BROOK FORMATION (nPsPgb): grey-green chloritic phyllite and mica schist



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#### NEOPROTEROZOIC

PRICE POINT FORMATION (nPpp): dacitic-andesitic crystal and lithic-crystal tuffs and less abundant flows

ROPER BROOK AMPHIBOLITE (Erb): amphibolite

INGONISH BEACH GNEISS (nPib): tonalitic and granitic gneiss; minor semipelitic gneiss

**GEORGE RIVER METAMORPHIC SUITE** (in alphabetical order)

ABERDEEN RIDGE FORMATION (nPGRar): quartzite and minor amphibolite

BARACHOIS RIVER FORMATION (nPGRbr): potassium feldspar augen gneiss, psammite, amphibolite, schist, phyllite, biotite metasiltstone

BENACADIE BROOK FORMATION (nPGRbb): low-medium metamorphic grade pelitic, semipelitic and psammitic schist

granodiorite; equigranular to porphyritic to pegmatitic; foliated in places

BLUES BROOK FORMATION - nPGRbbu: undivided carbonate rocks, tasandstone, metasilstone, slate; **nPGRbbsl**: mainly slate interbedded with minor metasandstone, metasiltstone and carbonate rocks; nPGRbbm: mainly carbonate rocks interbedded with minor metasandstone, metasiltstone, slate and quartzite; nPGRbbg: mainly quartzite interbedded with minor carbonate rocks; nPGRbbv: mainly andesitic to basaltic lithic and lithic crystal tuff, minor basalt flows; nPGRbbst: mainly metasandstone and metasiltstone interbedded with minor slate, carbonate rocks, quartzite and rare basaltic lithic tuff; nPGRbbp: pelitic schist interbedded with subordinate marble, amphibolite and guartzite; nPGRbbpf: guartzo-feldspathic schist with quartzite, metaconglomerate and minor amphibolite

GLEN TOSH FORMATION (nPGRgt): pelitic and semi-pelitic metasedimentary rocks

MALAGAWATCH FORMATION (nPGRm): metasiltstone, slate, calcitic and dolomitic carbonate-bearing rocks, minor quartzite and basaltic metavolcanic rocks

MASKELLS HARBOUR FORMATION (nPGRmh): quartzofeldspathic metasandstone, metasilstone, quartzite, marble

MCMILLAN FLOWAGE FORMATION - nPGRmfuc: upper clastic member: semipelitic schist, psammite, amphibolite; **nPGRmfm**: marble member: marble and quartzite; **nPGRmfmc**: middle clastic member: semipelitic, pelitic and mafic schist, amphibolite, quartzite; nPGRmfq: quartzite member: massive quartzite, minor phyllite and schist; nPGRmflc: lower clastic member: semipelitic and pelitic schist and phyllite, amphibolite, mafic phyllite

BRAS D'OR GNEISS (in alphabetical order)

FRENCHVALE ROAD METAMORPHIC SUITE (nPBDfv): low pressure, amphibolite facies gneiss, marble, quartzite, amphibolite

KELLYS MOUNTAIN GNEISS (nPBDkm): grey medium- to coarse-grained cordierite-bearing migmatitic paragneiss; amphibolite sheets

LIME HILL GNEISSIC COMPLEX (nPBDIh): biotite, biotite-cordierite, and sillimanite-bearing paragneiss, migmatitic paragneiss, marble, quartzite, amphibolite and minor tonalitic orthogneiss

MELFORD FORMATION (nPBDm): biotite, biotite-cordierite, sillimanite and garnet-bearing schist, marble, quartzite and granitic orthogneiss

SKYE MOUNTAIN METAMORPHIC SUITE (nPBDsm): biotite-, biotite-cordierite, and sillimanite-bearing paragneiss, migmatitic paragneiss, marble, quartzite, amphibolite and minor tonalitic orthogneiss

# Notes

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syenogranite with interstitial granophyre and plagioclase microphenocysts

IRISH COVE PLUTON (EEic): grey medium-grained monzogranite



#### EAST BAY HILLS GROUP

JOHNSTOWN FORMATION (EEEBJ): pink, brown and maroon rhyolitic lapilli tuff, tuff and flows

MORLEY ROAD FORMATION (EEEBmr): pink, brown and maroon rhyolitic lapilli tuff, tuff and flows

BEN EOIN FORMATION (EEBbe): basaltic flows, commonly amygdaloidal, locally plagioclase-phyric; basaltic lapilli tuff; minor slaty tuff and tuffaceous conglomerate

MCINTYRES BROOK FORMATION (EEEBmb): and esitic to dacitic crystal-rich tuff and lapilli tuff; minor rhyolitic tuffs

MOUNTAIN LAKE FORMATION (EEEBmo): andesitic, dacitic and rhyolitic lapilli tuff and crystal-rich tuff

REAR BIG POND FORMATION (EEEBrb): and esitic crystal-rich tuff and lapilli tuff; minor rhyolite and siltstone

MACMILLANS LAKE FORMATION (EEBMI): basaltic to andesitic lapilli tuff and flows; minor tuffaceous conglomerate and litharenite

SGURRA BHREAC FORMATION (EEEBsb): dark grey to black dacitic lapilli tuff; minor basaltic to andesitic tuff

MIDDLE CAPE LAKES FORMATION (EEEBmc): amygdaloidal basalt; porphyritic basalt; basaltic to andesitic tuff and lapilli tuff

REAR IRISH COVE FORMATION (EEEBri): grey-green andesitic to dacitic lapilli tuff, mainly strongly cleaved; minor rhyolitic tuff

COXHEATH HILLS GROUP

PRINGLE MOUNTAIN GROUP

abundant mafic and felsic dykes

LATE CRYOGENIAN

STIRLING GROUP

PLUTONIC ROCKS

MACKEIGAN BROOK FORMATION (EECHmb): rhyolitic tuff, lapilli tuff and flows; minor basaltic to dacitic layers/lenses and tuffaceous sedimentary

UNDIVIDED (EEPMu): varied basaltic to rhyolitic flows, crystal-lithic tuff and crystal tuff; minor grey-green, tuffaceous metasedimentary rocks;

STIRLING BELT MAFIC POPRHYRY (EEsbmp): grey mafic porphyry with altered plagioclase phenocrysts

STIRLING BELT GABBRO (EEsbg): grey to black medium- to coarse-grained gabbro

MACBETH BROOK FORMATION (EECHma); and esitic tuff, lapilli tuff and flows; minor rhyolitic and basaltic lenses

BEECHMONT FORMATION (EECHb): basaltic flows, tuff and lapilli tuff; minor rhyolitic, dacitic and andesitic lenses

BARREN HILL LAKE FORMATION (LCsbh): rhyolitic flows and lapilli tuff, minor andesite, lapilli tuff

MACDONALD LAKE FORMATION (LCSmlb): basalt-andesite flows, flow breccia, minor lapilli tuff

MACCORMICKS BROOK FORMATION (LCSmb): grey, green or buff quartz-feldspar rhyolite porphyry

WEST BRANCH MARIE JOSEPH BROOK FORMATION (LCswb): and esitic lapilli tuff and ash tuff, minor dacite, lapilli tuff

GRACIEVILLE FORMATION (LCsg): litharenite, conglomerate, siltstone, chert, dolostone

RORY NEILS LAKE FORMATION (LCSrn): basalt-andesite-dacite flow breccia

MACKILLOPS LAKE FORMATION (LCSml): lapilli tuff and ash tuff, rhyolite flows



ALKALI-FELDSPAR GRANITE/SYENOGRANITE (Ocpafg): foliated to mylonitic alkali-feldspar granite to syenogranite

QUARTZ ALKALI-FELDSPAR LEUCOSYENITE (Ocpaf): red, fine- to medium-grained quartz alkali-feldspar leucosyenite; typically highly magnetic

ALKALI-FELDSPAR SYENITE TO QUARTZ ALKALI-FELDSPAR SYENITE (OCPafs): red, medium- to coarse-grained alkali-feldspar syenite to quartz alkali-feldspar syenite; highly magnetic

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METARHYOLITE (EOCPmr): grey to dark grey, rhyolitic crystal to crystal lithic lapilli tuff; mainly mylonitic

METASILTSTONE (EOCPms): grey to black, fine-grained and strongly foliated and lineated metasiltstone, locally with thin, light grey, fine-grained metasandstone lenses; rare grey, fine-grained quartzite

LEUCODIORITE (EOCPId): white to light grey, medium- to coarse-grained inequigranular leucodiorite

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SYENOGRANITE TO MONZOGRANITE (ECPmg): pink to red coarse-grained equigranular to medium-grained porphyritic monzogranite gradational to syenogranite with abundant enclaves of mafic plutonic rocks and andesitic to rhyolitic metavolcanic rocks; cut by abundant mafic dykes

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