

LEGEND

MESOZOIC

LATE TRIASSIC

FUNDY GROUP

NORTH ANCIPTAN FORMATION (adapted from Korte and Webster, 2010a, b)

- TFnb** BRIER ISLAND MEMBER (Upper Flow Unit) (TFnb): dark grey to grey-green, medium-grained, ophiolite basalt with plagioclase and pyroxene microcrysts
- TFnm** MARGARETSVILLE MEMBER (Middle Flow Unit) (TFnm): dark grey to grey-green and red-brown, massive to vesiculated, fine-grained basalt; abundant zircon and zirconium
- TFne** EAST FERRY MEMBER (Lower Flow Unit) (TFne): grey-green, fine- to medium-grained, massive basalt with microcrysts of plagioclase and pyroxene; gabbroic pegmatite common

MIDDLE TO LATE TRIASSIC

- TFw** BLOOMSDON FORMATION (TFw): red-brown to locally grey-green siltstone and minor sandstone and shale; calcite nodules common; rare evaporite beds
- TFw** WOLFVILLE FORMATION (TFw): pink to red, coarse-grained sandstone and conglomerate with minor red to red-brown siltstone and shale

PALEOZOIC

LATE DEVONIAN

- DSgd** ELLISON LAKE PLUTON (D em): grey, medium- to coarse-grained muscovite-biotite monzonite and granodiorite with locally well-developed K-feldspar megacrysts
- DSgd** SOUTH MOUNTAIN BATHOLITH (listed in order of increasing mafic mineral content; modified after MacDonald, 1994)
 - DSgd1** UNNAMED PLUTONIC BODIES LEUCOMONZONORANITE (D Sgd1m): buff, orange, white, pink, red; predominantly fine- to medium-grained; minor coarse-grained; variably porphyritic and equigranular; minor pegmatitic leucocranite; metasedimentary xenoliths rare
 - DSgd2** SCRAP LAKE BIOTITE MONZONORANITE (D Sgd2m): light to medium grey; predominantly medium- to coarse-grained; megacrystic or seriate; metasedimentary xenoliths common to abundant
 - DSgd3** LEQUILLE (D Sgd3); SCRAP LAKE (D Sgd3g) BIOTITE GRANODIORITE: light to medium grey; predominantly medium- to coarse-grained; minor fine-grained; megacrystic or seriate; metasedimentary xenoliths abundant

LATE ORDOVICIAN TO EARLY DEVONIAN

ROCKVILLE NOTCH GROUP

- LOSRw** TORBROOK FORMATION (LSEDr): dark grey to black metasilstone and calcareous metasilstone with minor slate, metasediment, quartzite and rare tonalite; abundant shelly fossils
- LOSRw** WHITE ROCK FORMATION (LSEDr): grey to dark grey slate and metasilstone and minor light grey to white, thickly bedded quartzite; abundant shelly fossils; calcareous lenses; rare mafite

EARLY CAMBRIAN TO EARLY ORDOVICIAN

HALIFAX GROUP

- EOHb** BEAR RIVER FORMATION (EOHb): light to dark grey, well-laminated, cleaved metasilstone with thin beds of slate; minor medium-bedded, fine-grained metasediment; trace fossils and bioturbated beds common; minor mafic silt
- EOHb** ACADIA BROOK FORMATION (LCHa): grey to dark grey, laminated slate with minor thin beds and lenses of light grey metasilstone; medium-bedded, cross-laminated, fine- to medium-grained metasediment; sulphide minerals common; minor mafic silt

GOLDENVILLE GROUP

- EOGc** BLOOMFIELD FORMATION (EOGc): maroon and green, thin- to medium-bedded metasilstone to slate; rare thin-bedded, fine-grained metasediment; minor mafic silt
- EOGc** CHURCH POINT FORMATION (EOGc): grey, medium- to thick-bedded, very fine- to medium-grained metasediment locally intertongued with green, cleaved metasilstone, and rare black slate; calc-silicate nodules common; minor mafic silt

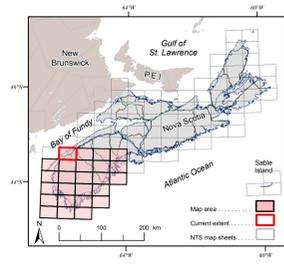
Symbols*

Outcrop, float, Felsenmeer	Anticline (assumed, approximate, defined)
Quarry (opening, abandoned)	Overturned anticline (assumed, defined)
Mine (assumed)	Syncline (assumed, approximate, defined)
Overturned syncline (assumed)	Overturned syncline (assumed)
Shaft	Shear zone
Fossil	Historical gold district (after Fisher, unpublished)
Drillhole (see Fisher, 2006)	Area of concentrated drilling
Mineral occurrence (unpublished after O'Reilly et al., 2009)	
U-Pb zircon, monazite, zircon monazite, zircon monazite	Rock in water
U-Pb zircon, monazite, zircon monazite, zircon monazite	Arterial highway
U-Pb zircon, monazite, zircon monazite, zircon monazite	Trunk highway
U-Pb zircon, monazite, zircon monazite, zircon monazite	Collector highway
U-Pb zircon, monazite, zircon monazite, zircon monazite	Hard surface road
U-Pb zircon, monazite, zircon monazite, zircon monazite	Loose surface resource access road
U-Pb zircon, monazite, zircon monazite, zircon monazite	Trail, footpath, cart track
U-Pb zircon, monazite, zircon monazite, zircon monazite	Railway (active, inactive)
U-Pb zircon, monazite, zircon monazite, zircon monazite	Coastline
U-Pb zircon, monazite, zircon monazite, zircon monazite	River, stream
U-Pb zircon, monazite, zircon monazite, zircon monazite	County boundary
U-Pb zircon, monazite, zircon monazite, zircon monazite	Transmission line (multi, single line)
U-Pb zircon, monazite, zircon monazite, zircon monazite	National Park
U-Pb zircon, monazite, zircon monazite, zircon monazite	Wetlands
U-Pb zircon, monazite, zircon monazite, zircon monazite	Lake/ocean

* Note: Compiled symbols list for Open File Maps ME 2012-077 to 2012-101. All symbols may not appear on each map.

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Descriptive Text

In 1998 the Nova Scotia Department of Natural Resources initiated a program of geological mapping of the Meguma Terrane of southwestern Nova Scotia. The principal goal of this project was to produce a series of 1:50 000 scale geological bedrock maps of the area, to describe and interpret the sedimentary, igneous, metamorphic and deformational history of the Cambrian to Early Devonian metamorphic rocks, and to evaluate the area's economic potential. This map represents the first in a series of 25 maps highlighting the bedrock geology of southwestern Nova Scotia.

These new maps, combined with stratigraphic, geochemical, geochronological, paleontological and isotopic data (White, 2010; White and Barr, 2010), have highlighted the need to produce a new stratigraphic paradigm together with the 1:50 000 scale geological maps for the Meguma Terrane.

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Bedrock Geology Map of the Digby Area, NTS Sheet 21A/12, Annapolis and Digby Counties, Nova Scotia

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Scale 1:50 000

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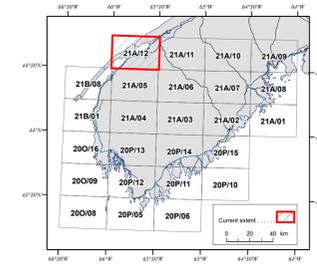
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