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GEOLOGIC MAP
of the
EDINBURG QUADRANGLE
Neshoba and Leake Counties,
Mississippi



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2011

DESCRIPTION OF MAP UNITS

QUATERNARY
HOLOCENE

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ALLUVIUM
Sand, flood plain sands and silts.

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KOSCIUSKO FORMATION
Sand, gray to light olive gray, weathers reddish orange to pale yellowish brown, massive to cross-bedded, very fine- to very coarse-grained, quartzose, micaceous, locally exhibits scattered weak ledges of limonitic sandstone; interbedded to interlamated with silt and clay, light olive gray to brownish gray, locally carbonaceous. Locally unconformable at base. The thickness is estimated to be 300 feet; however, only the lower 100 feet or so are exposed in the northwestern and southwestern portions of the quadrangle. Constitutes the Sparta Aquifer.

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ZILPHA and WINONA FORMATIONS
Zilpha - Clay, gray to brownish black, carbonaceous to lignitic, weathers light gray to reddish pink to white, massive and homogeneous or interbedded to interlamated with silt and sand, gray to light olive gray, quartzose, micaceous, carbonaceous, locally glauconitic; concretionary siderite and limonite; near surface exposures may exhibit jointing with selenite or limonite infilling. The thickness is variable from a few feet to 60 feet.

Winona - Sand, gray to green, weathers very light gray to reddish orange or dark red, fine- to coarse-grained, quartzose, micaceous, typically glauconitic to very glauconitic, carbonaceous, silty, locally fossiliferous with thin marine shell beds and prisms. Surface exposures commonly weather to distinctive contorted, concretionary, limonitic sandstone and sandy ironstone, concretionary siderite, especially near top. Approximately 60 feet thick.

The total thickness of the Zilpha/Winona interval is approximately 120 feet.

CLAIBORNE GROUP

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TALLAHATTA FORMATION
Basic City Member
Clay, silt, claystone, and quartzitic siltstone and sandstone, olive gray to brownish gray, weathers yellowish gray to very light gray or white, carbonaceous with leaf and plant impressions, fossiliferous structures are common, near surface exposures may exhibit jointing with limonite infilling; claystones typically weather to light weight and brittle rock with a subconchoidal fracture; interbedded to interlamated with sand, gray to very light gray, weathers pale yellowish orange to reddish orange, very fine- to medium-grained, unconsolidated, massive to cross-bedded, quartzose, micaceous, carbonaceous, pyritic, also greenish yellow to buff, fine-grained, semi-consolidated, siliceous, glauconitic, and silty. The base is marked by a sandy interval, approximately 20 feet thick, which in outcrop exposures may exhibit quartzitic sandstone characteristics. Unconsolidated sands in the upper 30 to 60 feet are termed the Neshoba Sand Member. The total thickness is approximately 220 feet. Additionally, the unit thins to approximately 200 feet in the eastern area of the quadrangle due to apparent overlap of marine Winona lithologies.

TERTIARY
Eocene

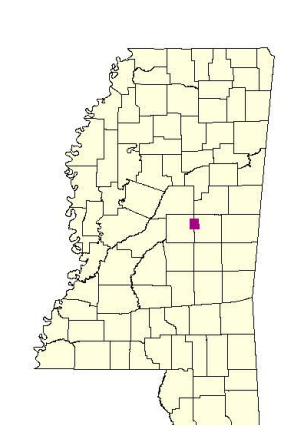
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MERIDIAN SAND
Sand, gray to very light gray, weathers yellowish gray to reddish orange, very fine- to very coarse-grained, typically fining upward, quartzose, micaceous, locally carbonaceous or slightly glauconitic, pyritic, interbedded to interlamated with silt, siltstone, and clay, dark gray to white, carbonaceous; the upper beds are typically silty or argillaceous. The maximum thickness is approximately 100 feet. Locally, and especially in down-dip exposures, the Meridian Sand is very thin and limited to a foot or so in thickness. Unconformity at base. The Meridian Sand constitutes the upper portion of the Meridian/Upper Wilcox Aquifer.

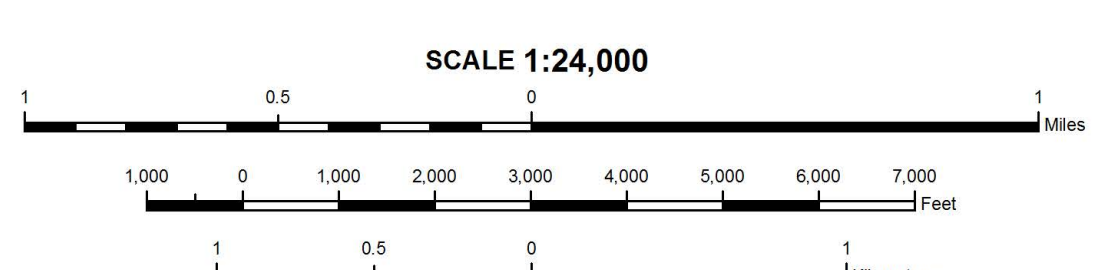
WILCOX GROUP

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HATCHETIGBEE FORMATION
Sand, gray to light gray, weathers reddish orange to pale yellowish orange, very fine- to very coarse-grained, quartzose, micaceous, carbonaceous, clay clast conglomerate, especially sandy and coarse-grained at base; interbedded to interlamated with clay, gray to brownish gray, weathers very light gray to white, silty, carbonaceous to lignitic, especially argillaceous in the upper beds of the formation; lignite. The basal 50 feet or so represent a non-marine equivalent to the fossiliferous, marine, Bashf Formation of east-central Mississippi, mark the Paleocene-Eocene unconformity, and consist of sand, gray to light gray, weathers reddish orange to pale yellowish orange, very fine- to very coarse-grained, quartzose, micaceous, carbonaceous, slightly pyritic, clay clast conglomerate. The thickness is approximately 220 to 310 feet, being thickest in down-dip areas where the Meridian Sand is thin; however, only the upper 40 feet or so are exposed in the northeastern portion of the quadrangle. The Hatchetigbee Formation constitutes the basal portion of the Meridian/Upper Wilcox Aquifer.



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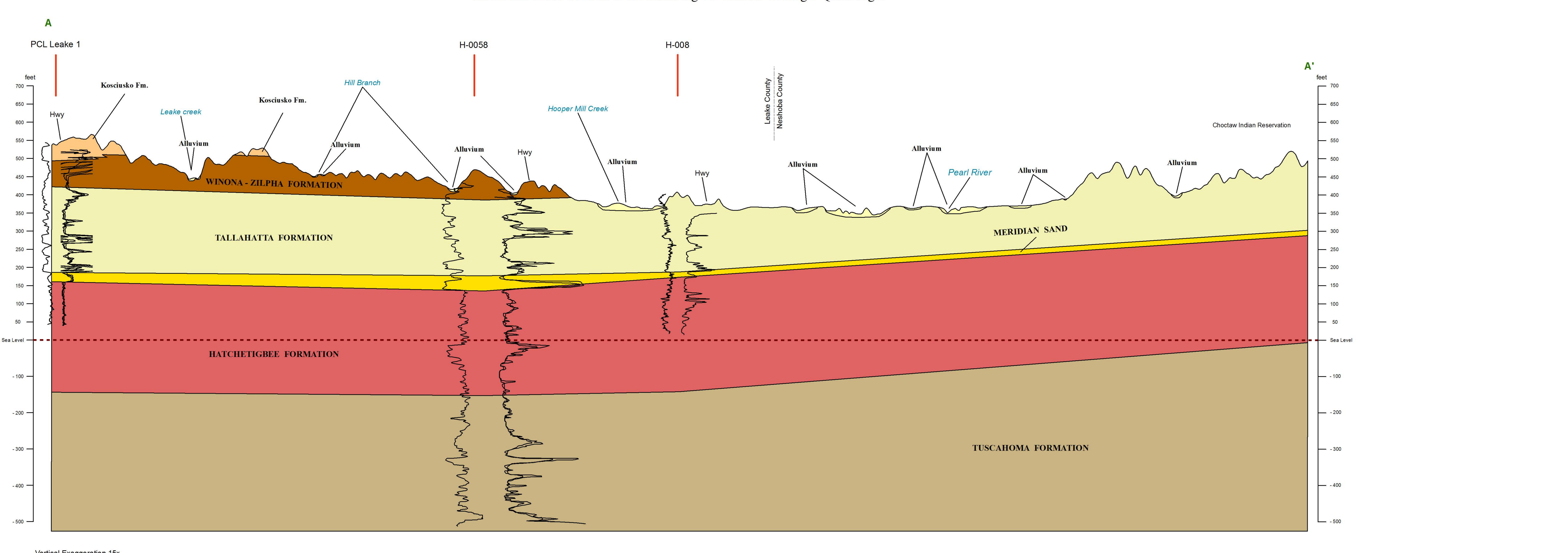
Geology field checked in 2011 using the 1989, U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute topographic quadrangle, 1983 North American datum, contour interval 10 feet, 1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks, zone 16; 1983 datum shown in red; January 2011, magnetic north declination in quadrangle center is 0°54' west of true north.

Source: The base map is derived from a Digital Raster Graphic of the USGS topographic quadrangle map. Declination, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

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Structural Cross-Section of the Edinburg 7.5-Minute Geologic Quadrangle



H-0058 Drill-hole locality and identification number

Vertical Exaggeration 15x