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GEOLOGIC MAP
of the
TUPELO QUADRANGLE

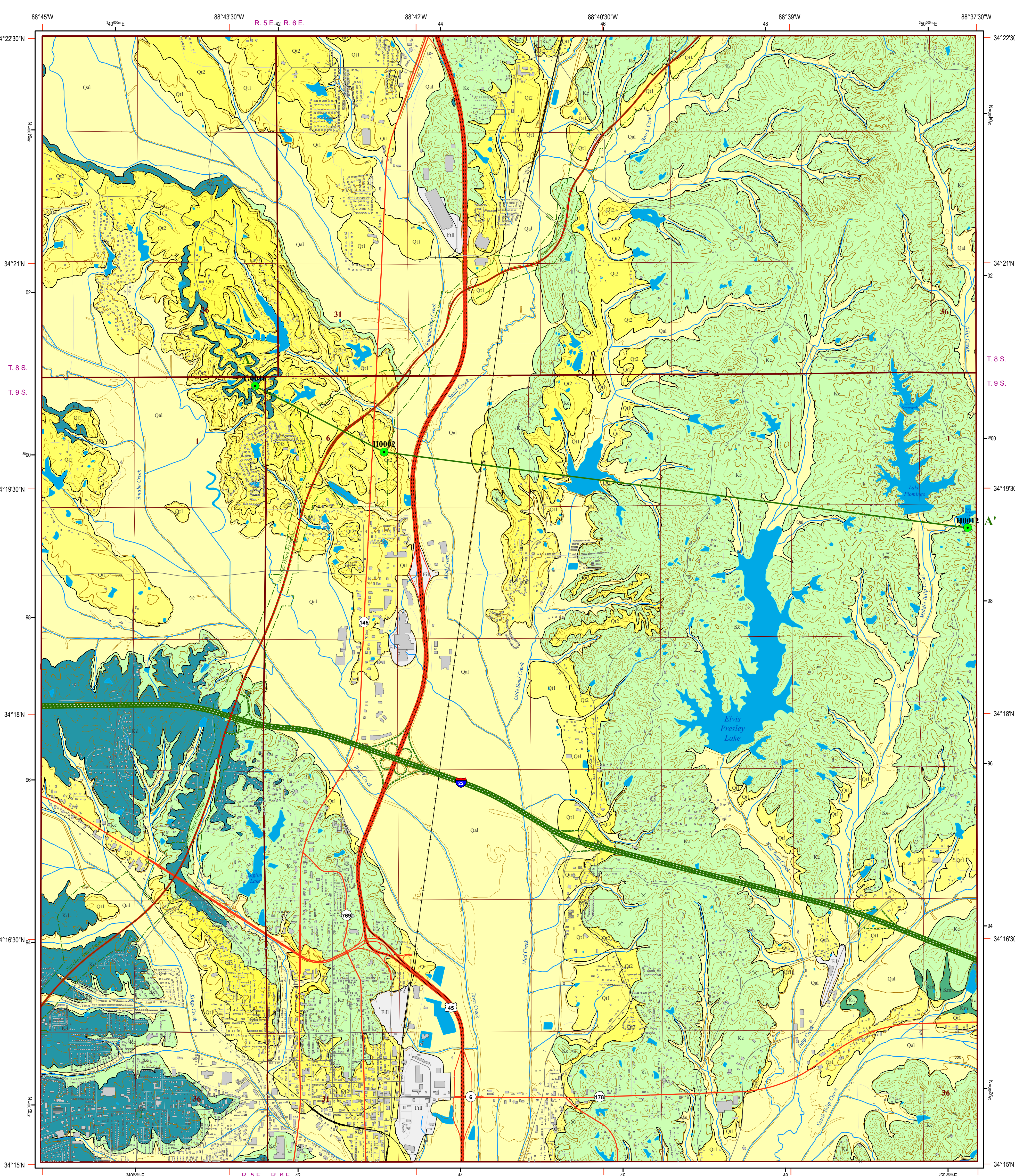
Lee County, Mississippi



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DESCRIPTION OF MAP UNITS

Geologic Group	Unit	Description
QUATERNARY	HOLOCENE	ARTIFICIAL FILL Fill Mainly silt and sand over original geologic unit. Generally red-brown and yellowish-orange.
		ALLUVIUM Qal Floodplain deposits of clay, silt, and sand. Generally gray, yellowish-orange, orange, and tan. Approximately 25 feet thick along larger streams, thinning up tributaries.
		TERRACE ALLUVIUM Qtl Abandoned floodplain deposits of clay, silt, and sand generally yellowish-orange, orange, and tan. Approximately 25 feet thick adjacent to larger stream Alluvium or younger terrace deposits, thinning or non-existent up tributaries. Qtl - youngest and lowest in elevation of Terrace alluvium deposits. Ql2 - second youngest in age and elevation of Terrace alluvium deposits. Ql3 - third youngest in age and elevation of Terrace alluvium deposits that is more eroded and discontinuous.
CRETACEOUS	SELMA GROUP	DEMOPOLIS CHALK Kd Massive-bedded chalk and marly chalk. Medium to light gray and bluish-gray, weathers to tan. Contains subordinate amounts of pyrite, glauconitic, and mica. Fossiliferous in many locations. Thickness ranges up to approximately 50 to 60 feet.
		COFFEE SAND Kc Predominantly massive sand that is locally cross-bedded, glauconitic, lignitic, and fossiliferous with various amounts of clay. Contains calcareous sandstone intervals. Light gray to gray, tan, yellow to yellow-green, olive-drab and red-brown. Includes the Tupelo Tongue, which is massive-bedded calcareous, silty sand. Thickness ranges up to approximately 180 to 200 feet. Conformable, transitional contact with overlying Demopolis Formation marked by a ledge forming fossiliferous sandstone approximately one foot thick.
		MOOREVILLE CHALK Km Massive-bedded marly chalk and calcareous clay. Medium to light gray, and bluish-gray, weathers to tan. Locally sandy and contains subordinate amounts of glauconitic. Fossiliferous in many locations. Thickness ranges from approximately 115 to 160 feet. Conformable contact with overlying Coffee Sand.
		H0002 ● Drill Hole Locality and Identifier
	⊗	Surface Mine



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Scale: 1:24,000
Contour Interval: 20 Feet

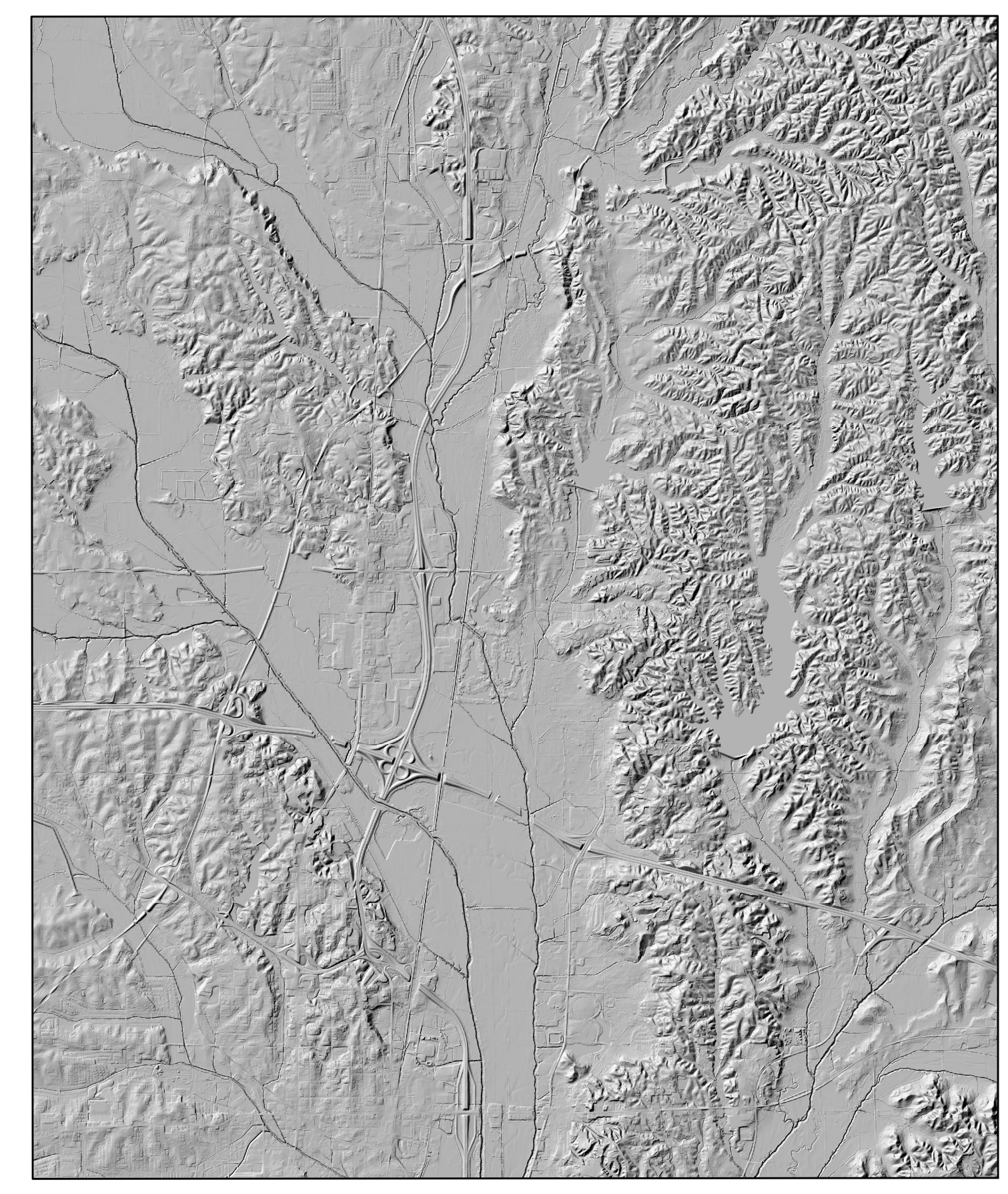
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Structural Cross-Section of the Tupelo 7.5-Minute Geologic Quadrangle

