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GEOLOGIC MAP of the MARIETTA QUADRANGLE Prentiss County, Mississippi



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DESCRIPTION OF MAP UNITS

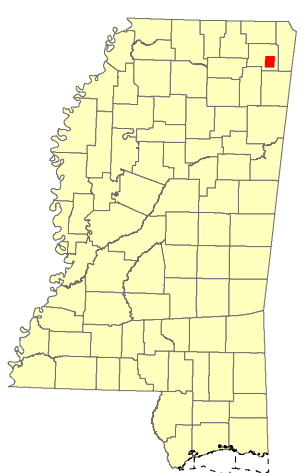
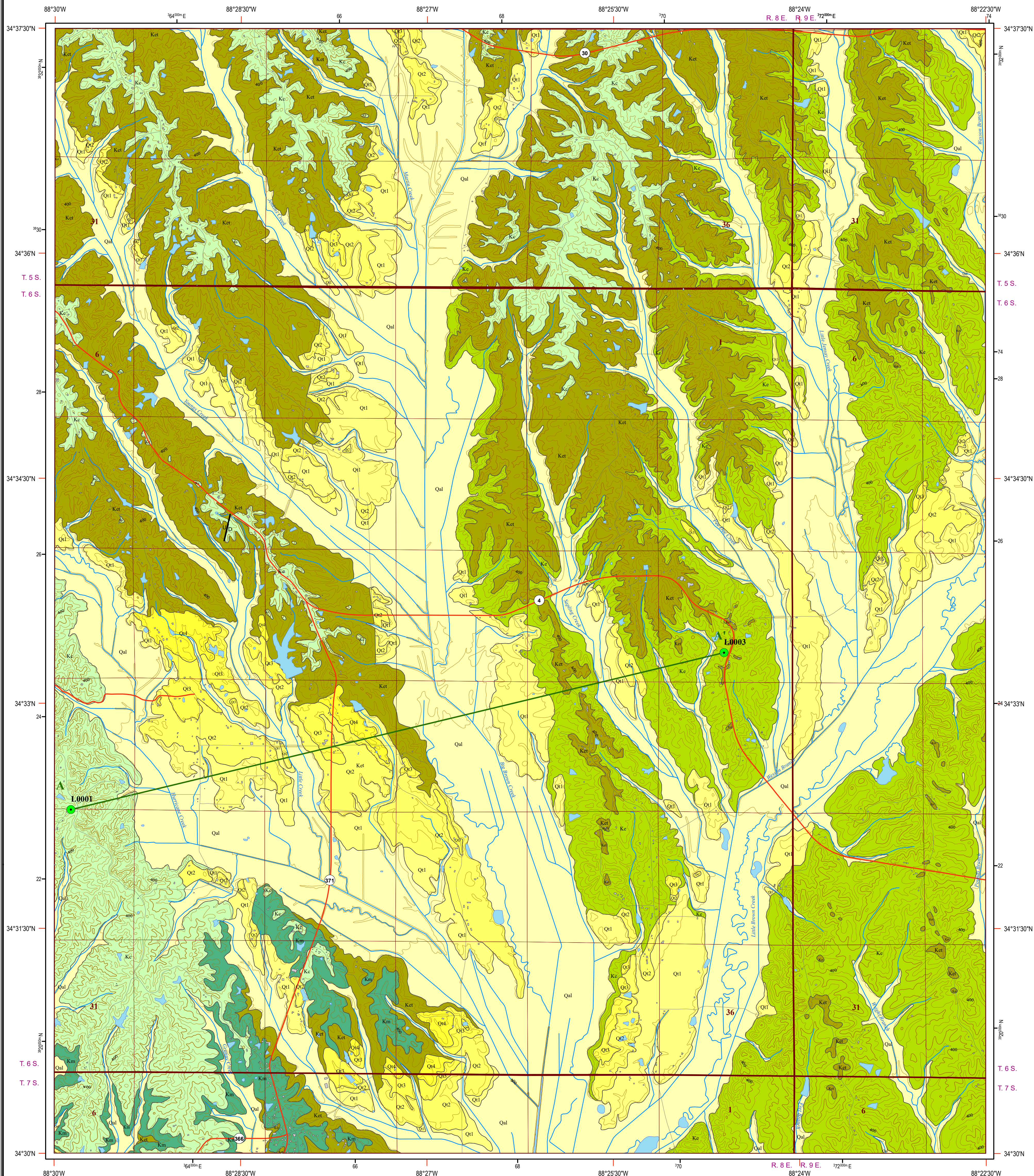
QUATERNARY	HOLOCENE	Qal	ALLUVIUM Floodplain deposits of clay, silt, and sand. Generally gray, yellowish-orange, orange, and tan. Approximately 25 feet thick along larger streams, thinning up tributaries.	
	PLEISTOCENE	Qt1 Qt2 Qt3 Qt4	TERRACE ALLUVIUM Abandoned floodplain deposits of clay, silt, and sand 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. Qt1 - youngest and lowest in elevation of Terrace alluvium deposits. Qt2 - second youngest in age and elevation of Terrace alluvium deposits. Qt3 - third youngest in age and elevation of Terrace alluvium deposits. Qt4 - fourth youngest in age and elevation of Terrace alluvium deposits that is more eroded and discontinuous.	
CRETACEOUS	UPPER CRETACEOUS	SELMA GROUP	Kc	COFFEE SAND Sand, buff, yellow, red-brown, light to dark gray, fine to medium-grained, glauconitic, with zones of silty sand and clay and occasional thin beds of concretionary sandstone layers. Fossiliferous in certain parts. The base of the Coffee Formation is questionably disconformable, almost impossible to differentiate on the basis of lithology from the underlying Tombigbee Member sands. The only evidence are phosphatic molds and general fossils in the basal Coffee not common to the Tombigbee. Thickness ranges up to about 140 feet.
			Km	MOOREVILLE CHALK Massive-bedded marly chalk and calcareous clay. Medium to light gray, and bluish-gray, weathers to tan. Locally sandy and contains subordinate amounts of glauconite. Fossiliferous in many locations. Conformable contact with underlying Coffee Sand. Thickness ranges from approximately 115 to 160 feet.
	EUTAW GROUP		Ket Ke	EUTAW FORMATION Ket Tombigbee Member, Sand, Olive drab to light- to reddish-brown, light to dark gray, greenish-gray, fine-grained, massive, glauconitic, in part argillaceous, micaceous, somewhat calcareous, and fossiliferous. The base is conformable with the underlying portion of the Eutaw Formation. Sand, tan, yellow, brown, reddish-brown light to dark gray, greenish gray, glauconitic, fine to coarse grained, cross-bedded, with laminae of dark gray flaky clay, and stringers of small chert gravel, locally carbonaceous and locally fossiliferous up to approximately 55 feet.
				Ke The Eutaw Formation disconformably overlies the McShan Formation. Thickness ranges up to approximately 200 feet.

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● Drill Hole Locality and Identifier

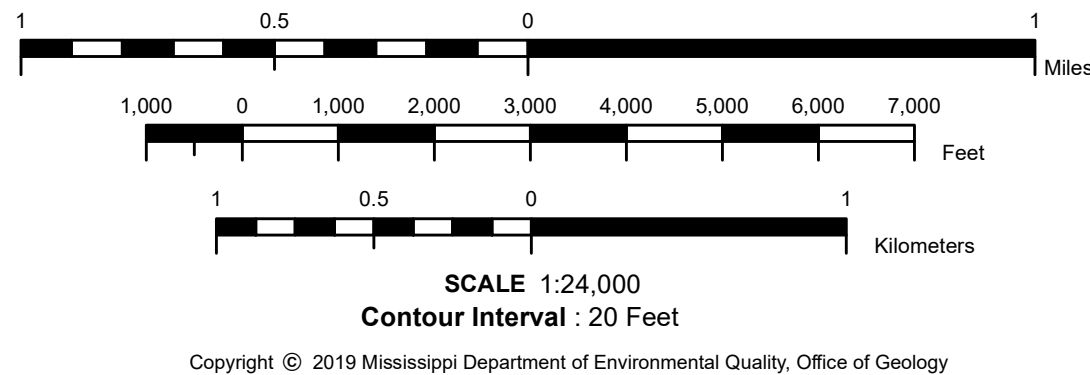
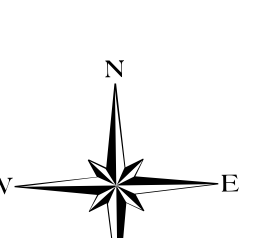
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2009-2018 Mississippi Statewide LIDAR-Generated DEM and Hill Shade



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Prentiss County, Mississippi



Geology field checked in 1992, 2014, 2015, and 2017 using the 1971, U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute topographic quadrangle, Universal Transverse Mercator projection, 1927 North American datum, contour interval 20 feet. Universal Transverse Mercator projection, 1983 North American datum, GRS80 spheroid, 1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator 1983 datum grid ticks, zone 16, shown in red. September 2019 magnetic declination 2.48° W ± 0.34° changing by 0.07° W per year.

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

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Mississippi Geological Survey
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L-0003
Mississippi Bureau of Geology
New Site Water Association
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