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Summary

General stratigraphic profiles down to the top of the Wanapum Basalt have been estimated for each of the Hanford Site's eight strong motion accelerometer stations, seven regional three-component broadband seismometer stations, and five key Hanford Site facility locations. In addition, stratigraphic profiles (some down to the top of the crystalline basement) were developed for these and other Pacific Northwest Seismic Network stations. These profiles provide interpretations of the subsurface layers to support estimation of ground motions at the top of the Wanapum Basalt from recorded earthquakes and the prediction of ground motions from potential future earthquakes.

The general approach used for this study was to develop a composite one-dimensional stratigraphic profile for each site based on previous interpretations of the geologic units penetrated by boreholes nearest to the given site. In many cases, the nearest boreholes are relatively shallow and can be used only for the suprabasalt sediments and/or the top of the basalt. Deep boreholes, extending through the top of the Wanapum Basalt, are fairly sparse; the closest deep borehole is often located kilometers away from the site of interest.

A number of potential sources of uncertainty exist concerning the site locations, elevations, and extrapolation of interpreted stratigraphic contacts. Stratigraphic contacts used in this report are based on interpretation of borehole data from a number of different individuals for different environmental programs, often using different stratigraphic nomenclature. Sources of uncertainty include 1) the quality of subsurface data, which is influenced by the drilling technique, the logging of the borehole, and sample collection; 2) subtle differences between some stratigraphic units that makes identification of the stratigraphic contacts difficult; and 3) uncertainty in the geometric shape of the stratigraphic units. Where suitable, existing structure contour and isopach maps, as well as cross sections, and solid Earth model information, and on rare occasions some field checking were used to help verify or adjust station location information and the stratigraphic contacts to improve extrapolation of borehole data from distant boreholes.

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Acronyms and Abbreviations

CGS	Columbia Generating Station
DOE	U.S. Department of Energy
ft	foot(feet)
GPS	global positioning system
ID	identification
HPSHA	Hanford Probabilistic Seismic Hazard Analysis
HGIS	Hanford Geographic Information System
km	kilometer(s)
m	meter(s)
mi	mile(s)
PNNL	Pacific Northwest National Laboratory
PSHA	probabilistic seismic hazard analysis
SSHAC	Senior Seismic Hazard Analysis Committee
WADOE	Washington State Department of Ecology
WIDL	Well Information Data Lookup

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1.0 Introduction

The Pacific Northwest National Laboratory is preparing a site-wide Hanford probabilistic seismic hazard analysis (PSHA) for the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) and Energy Northwest. The PSHA is being conducted using the processes that are appropriate for a Study Level 3 of the procedures given in the guidance advanced by the Senior Seismic Hazard Analysis Committee (SSHAC) in NUREG/CR-6372 (Budnitz et al. 1997). The specific purpose of the SSHAC Level 3 PSHA is to provide input to site-specific ground motion assessments at particular facility sites within the Hanford Site. This includes the identification of seismic sources and characterization of those sources by their recurrence rates and maximum magnitudes and prediction of potential ground motions as a function of distance, magnitude, and other factors.

The objective of the Hanford PSHA is to develop a family of seismic hazard curves that express the annual frequency of exceeding different levels of ground motion at the top of a reference horizon or stratigraphic unit (i.e., the Wanapum Basalt). These predicted ground motions could then be used as input for future site response analyses to predict how the ground motions would be modified by site-specific properties of the soils directly beneath specific engineered structures to support design or safety review.

The stratigraphy beneath the Hanford Site and surrounding area generally consists of eight major geologic units; from youngest to oldest, these include the Hanford formation, the Cold Creek unit, the Ringold Formation, the Saddle Mountains Basalt (and interbedded Ellensburg Formation), the Wanapum Basalt, the Grande Ronde Basalt, Pre-Miocene sediments, and the crystalline basement. The objective of the study reported here was to develop a general interpretation of the stratigraphy (i.e., stratigraphic profile) down to the top of the Wanapum Basalt beneath each of the Hanford Site's eight strong motion accelerometer stations, seven regional three-component broadband seismometer stations, and five key Hanford Site facility locations. In addition, deep stratigraphic profiles (some down to the top of the crystalline basement) were developed for 11 of these locations.

These stratigraphic profiles are needed to 1) interpret the ground motions at the top of the Wanapum Basalt from past earthquakes recorded at the surface, 2) aid development of shear wave velocity profiles from Spectral Analysis of Shear Wave measurements, and 3) support ground motion hazard calculations. Table 1 lists key information for these sites. The site locations are shown in Figure 1, Figure 2, and Figure 3. Detailed stratigraphic profiles through the Saddle Mountains Basalt and suprabasalt sediments are provided in Appendix A in Plates 1–20; deep stratigraphic profiles to the top of the crystalline basement are provided in Plates 1a–11a.

Table 1. Hanford Site seismometer stations and other sites for stratigraphic profiling.

Station/ Site ID	Station/Site Name	Latitude	Longitude	Elev. (m)	Source
Free-Field Strong Motion Accelerometer Stations					
H1K^(a)	100 K Area	46.64183° 46.6446°	-119.59217° -119.5929°	152 152	Converted from Rohay et al. (2011) Bodin et al. (2012), location verified in Google Earth imagery

Table 1. (contd)

Station/ Site ID	Station/Site Name	Latitude	Longitude	Elev (m)	Source
Free-Field Strong Motion Accelerometer Stations					
H2E^(a)	200 East Area	46.55967° 46.5578°	-119.53333° -119.5345°	210 187	Converted from Rohay et al. (2011) Bodin et al. (2012), location verified by GPS on 4/13/2013, with elevation at 199 m, but topographic map suggests elevation closer to 210 m.
H2W2006 (a.k.a. H2W^(a))	200 West Area	46.55183° 46.5517°	-119.64400° -119.6453°	201 129	Converted from Rohay et al. (2011) Bodin et al. (2012), location verified by GPS on 4/13/2013, with elevation at 198 m.
H2W1998 (a)*	200 West Area	46.55383°	-119.62517°	206	Converted from Conrads (1997)
H3A^(a)	300 Area	46.36383° 46.3632°	-119.27583° -119.2775°	119 99	Converted from Rohay et al. (2011) Bodin et al. (2012), location verified by GPS on 4/10/2013, with elevation at 118 m.
H4A^(a)	400 Area	46.43550° 46.4377°	-119.35500° -119.3557°	171 171	Converted from Rohay et al. (2011) Bodin et al. (2012), location verified by GPS reading on 4/10/2013, with elevation at 160 m.
Advanced National Seismic System Backbone Station					
HAWA^(a)	Hanford, WA	46.39215°	-119.53244°	364	Estimated from HGIS (Qmap)
Three-Component Broadband Seismometer Stations^(d)					
CCRK	Cold Creek	46.93083° 46.559° 46.5585° 46.55852°	-120.42483° -119.855° -119.8548° -119.85484°	560 561 561 534	Converted from Rohay et al. (2011) Bodin et al. (2012) Rodriguez-Marek Pers. Comm. ^(f) Rohay Pers. Comm. 9/3/13^(h)
DDRF	Didier Farms	46.81867° 46.491° 46.4911°	-119.09933° -119.060° -119.0595°	270 233 233	Converted from Rohay et al. (2011) Bodin et al. (2012) Rodriguez-Marek Pers. Comm.^(f)
FHE	Frenchman Hills East	46.95183° 46.952° 46.95178°	-119.49700° -119.498° -119.49809	455 455 455	Converted from Rohay et al. (2011) Bodin et al. (2012) Rodriguez-Marek Pers. Comm.^(f)
PHIN	Phinney Hill	46.49200° 45.895° 45.8951°	-120.54633° -119.928° -119.9278	227 227 227	Converted from Rohay et al. (2011) Bodin et al. (2012) Rodriguez-Marek Pers. Comm.^(f)
GBB^(b)	Gable Butte	46.60817° 46.6081° 46.60869°	-119.62700° -119.6290° -119.62898°	177 185 185	Converted from Rohay et al. (2011) Bodin et al. 2012 Rodriguez-Marek Pers. Comm.^(f)
Additional Spectral Analysis of Shear Wave Measurement Locations					
WIA^(a,c)	Wooded Is. A	46.405735°	-119.272507°	92 118	Rohay Pers. Comm. ^(g) Estimate from HPSHA Spatial Data Viewer elev. profile tool
WIB^(a,c)	Wooded Is. B	46.404751°	-119.282478°	73 112	Rohay Pers. Comm. ^(g) Estimate from HPSHA Spatial Data Viewer elev. profile tool

Table 1. (cont'd)

Station/ Site ID	Station/Site Name	Latitude	Longitude	Elev (m)	Source
WIXX^(a)	Wooded Is. XX broadband	46.38692°	-119.274778°	125 110	Rohay Pers. Comm. ^g Estimate from HPSHA Spatial Data Viewer elev. profile tool
100 BC^(a); D^(d)	100 B/C Area; 105-B	46.630378°	-119.647486°	144	HPSHA 2012 (Workshop 1); Elevation from C7847 and C8239 (WIDL)
Other Reference Locations Slated for Hazard Calculation					
A A1	200 East Area; Waste Treatment Plant	46.554848° 46.55088°	-119.517907° -119.50456°	206	HPSHA 2012 (Workshop 1) Estimated from HGIS (Qmap)
B	200 West Area	46.552066°	-119.625063°	206	HPSHA 2012 (Workshop 1) Estimated from nearest wells
C	Columbia Generating Station (CGS)	46.471188°	-119.334170°	134°	HPSHA 2012 (Workshop 1)
E	300 Area	46.368604°	-119.277461°	122	HPSHA 2012 (Workshop 1) Based on 399-3-3
Selected Pacific Northwest Seismic Network Stations Important for Ground Motion Analysis					
TUCA	Wood Farm, Starbuck, WA	46.5139°	-118.1455°	304	Rodriguez-Marek Pers. Comm.^(f)
WOLL	Wollman Farm, Schrag, WA	47.0573°	-118.921°	384	Rodriguez-Marek Pers. Comm.^(f)
<p>(a) Slated for Spectral Analysis of Shear Wave (SASW) measurements</p> <p>(b) Lower priority – not slated for SASW measurements</p> <p>(c) SASW measurements are slated for a single location between these sites</p> <p>(d) Slated for hazard calculation</p> <p>(e) From Bechtel (2013)</p> <p>(f) Email from Adrian Rodriguez-Marek to Alan Rohay, Subject: Station File. Dated 2/8/2013.</p> <p>(g) Email from Alan Rohay to George Last. Subject: stations WIXxx. Dated 3/12/2013.</p> <p>(h) Email from Alan Rohay to Julian Bommer and others. Subject: CCRK Field Notes. Dated 9/3/2013.</p> <p>* Same as reference location B, was the original location of the H2W station from 1998 to 2006.</p> <p>Degrees, decimal minutes were converted to decimal degrees by dividing the decimal minutes by 60 and adding to the degrees.</p> <p>Note: Questionable locations are struck out and those used in this study are in bold. Personal communication between Paul Bodin (UW) and David Lanigan (PNNL) indicate that the reported seismometer station locations and elevations are being revised for the next Hanford Seismic Report.</p>					

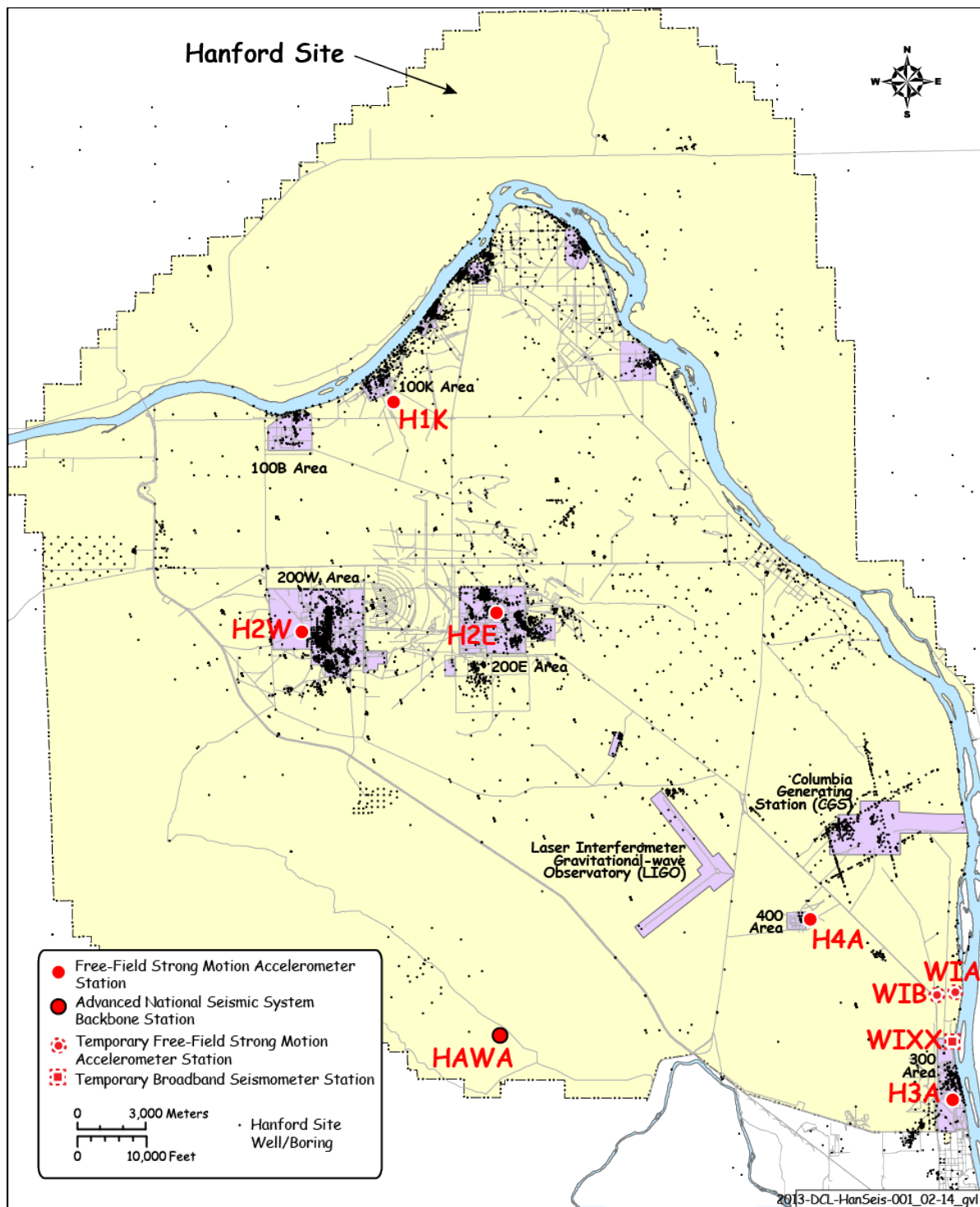


Figure 1. Hanford Site well location map showing the locations of strong motion accelerometers and the Advanced National Seismic System station.

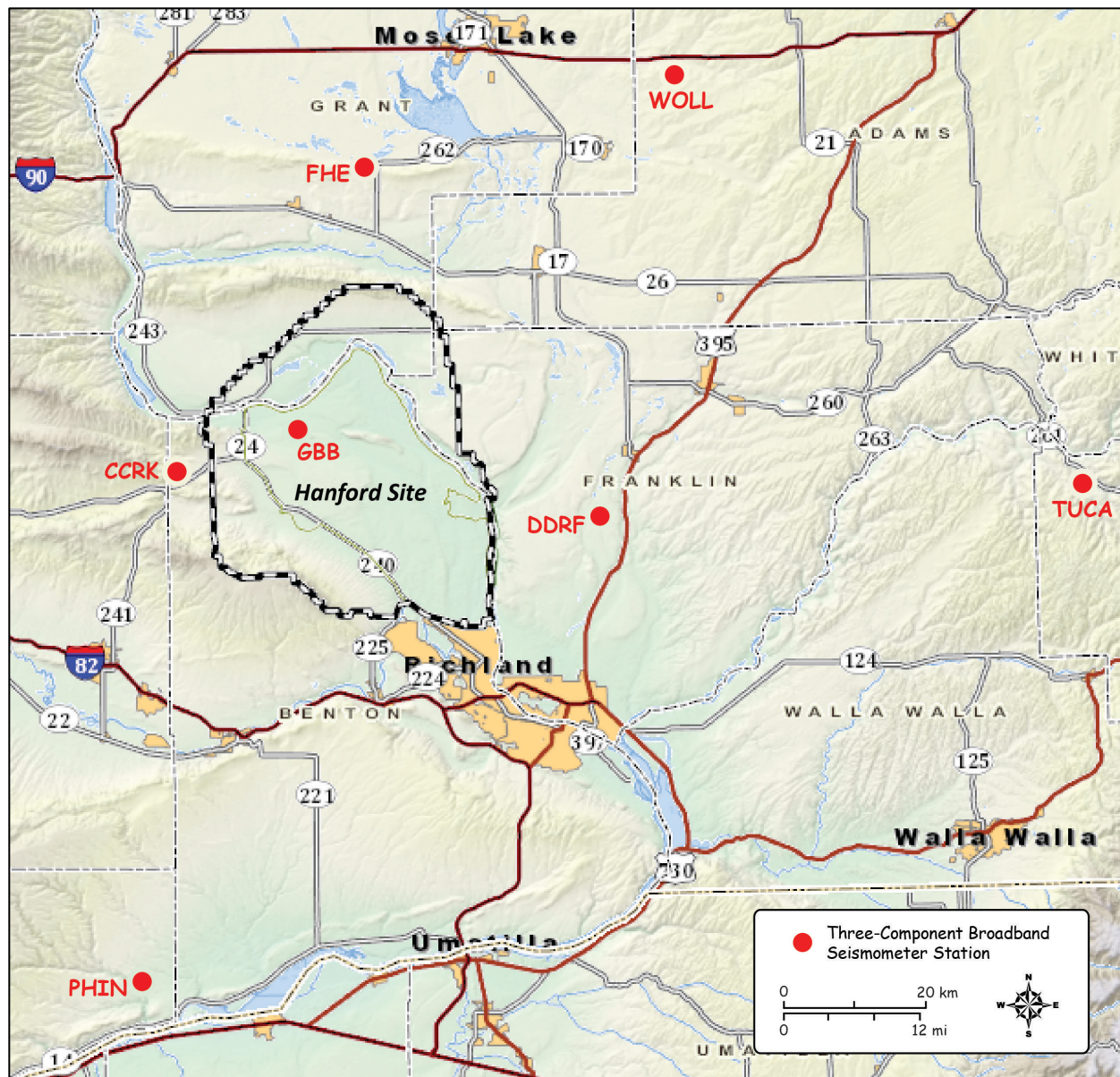


Figure 2. Locations of regional three-component broadband seismometer stations.

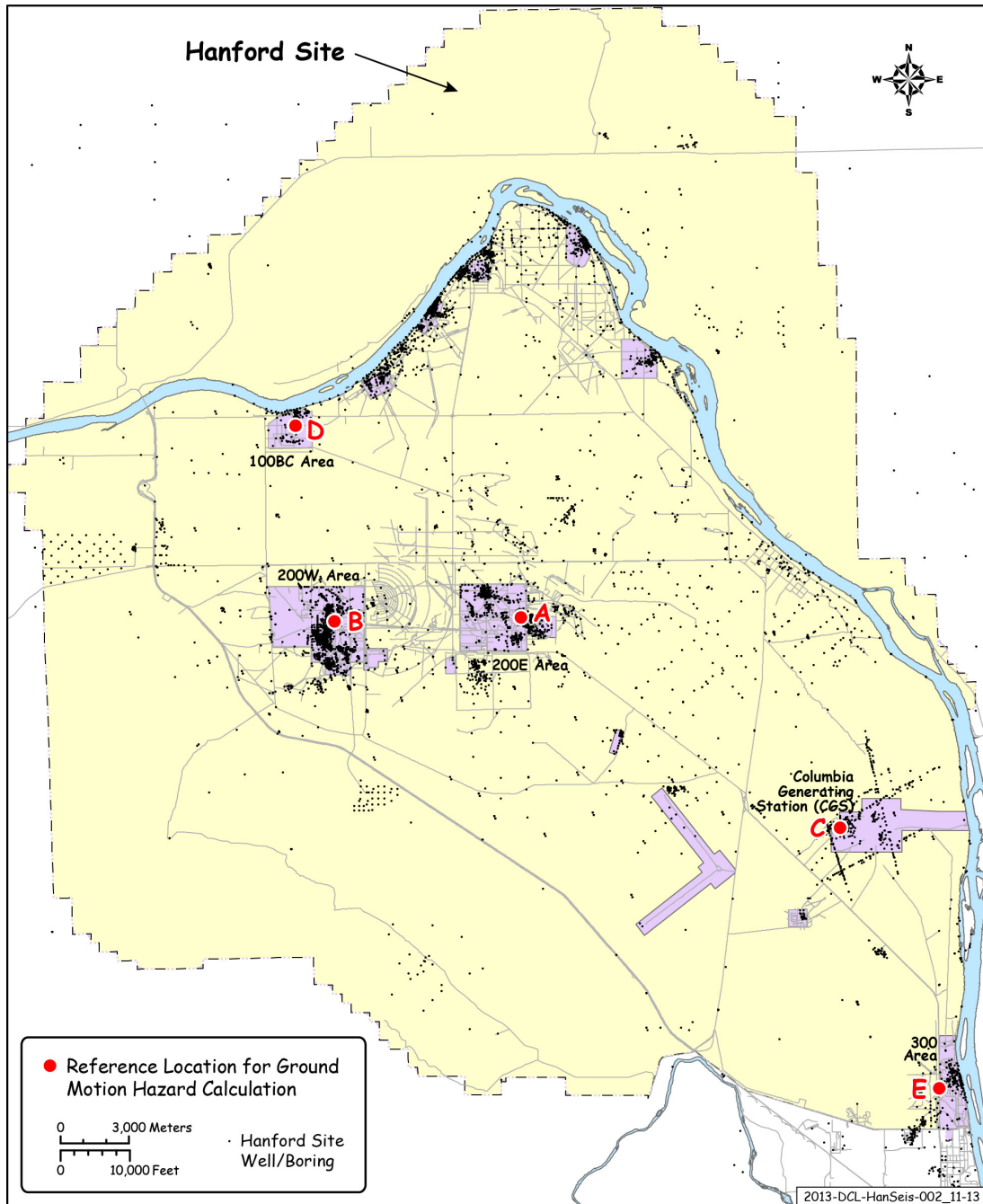


Figure 3. Reference locations for ground motion hazard calculation (after HPSHA 2013).

The sections that follow describe the study approach and methodology used, the stratigraphic profiles and technical basis (including the wells used and sources of interpreted geologic contacts) for each site, and briefly discuss the uncertainty associated with these profiles (e.g., ranges in thickness, etc.).

2.0 General Approach

The general approach was to develop a composite one-dimensional stratigraphic profile for each site based on previous interpretations of the geologic units penetrated by boreholes nearest to the given site. In many cases the nearest boreholes are relatively shallow and can be used only for stratigraphic contacts for the suprabasalt sediments and the top of the basalt. Structure contour maps of the basalt surface (e.g., from Thorne et al. 2006) were often used to interpolate the depth to the top of the basalt where nearby boreholes did not reach the basalt surface.

Deep boreholes, extending through the top of the Wanapum Basalt, are fairly sparse across the Hanford Site; the closest deep borehole to a given seismometer station or reference location is often located kilometers away. Where multiple deep boreholes are available and the structural setting is similar, the average thicknesses of the Saddle Mountains Basalt flows and Ellensburg Formation interbeds are used to estimate the depth of stratigraphic contacts. Where available, existing structure contour and isopach maps, as well as cross sections, are used to help verify or adjust the estimated stratigraphic contact depths.

Deep stratigraphic information (i.e., below the top of the Wanapum Basalt) was extracted from a solid Earth geologic model developed for Art Frankle by Paul Thorne, using EarthVisionTM software (Thorne et al. in press).

3.0 Methodology

The methodology and technical basis used to develop the stratigraphic profiles evolved during development of the profiles for the first few sites (e.g., H1K, HAWA, H2E, and H2W), and varied somewhat from site to site, depending on the available data. The general methodology used for locations within the Hanford Site consisted of the following steps:

1. The Hanford wells database was queried using the “WIDS and Wells MapOptix 6.3” interface (<http://gisweb.rl.gov/mox6/hei9.cfm>). These spatial queries varied from a 0.3- to 10-km (0.2- to 6.2-mi) radius surrounding a given site location. A map showing the station location and well query area was extracted and printed as a pdf file for incorporation into a base map using Adobe Illustrator^{TM1}.
2. The surface of the basalt structure contour map in Thorne et al. (2006, Figure 5.13) was examined to obtain the approximate elevation of basalt beneath each site and to estimate the approximate depth to basalt at each station. The list of wells/boreholes was filtered to remove wells/boreholes that most likely did not penetrate to the basalt surface.
3. Additional wells/boreholes were added to the list based on the “Inventory of boreholes that penetrate the uppermost basalt unit on the Hanford Site” (DOE 1988, Table 1.6-1) and the “Location map for boreholes used in Basalt Waste Isolation Project studies” (DOE 1988, Figure 1.6-2).

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4. Well information (e.g., location, elevation, drill depth) for the selected wells/boreholes was extracted from the Well Information and Data Lookup application (<http://prc.rl.gov/widl/>) and incorporated into an Excel[®] spreadsheet for each station.
5. Geologic contact data (contact elevation, contact depth, and/or thickness) from a variety of sources (e.g., Landon 1985; Thorne et al. 2006) were incorporated into the spreadsheet.
6. The elevation to the top of the basalt was estimated from available structure contour maps (e.g., Thorne et al. 2006; Last et al. 2009a, 2009b), and a depth to basalt calculated from the station elevation. The estimated depth to basalt was compared to contact information derived from nearby wells and a basalt contact depth was selected.
7. Contact depths for the suprabasalt sediments were estimated in a similar fashion where suitable structure contour maps were available (e.g., H2E and H2W). At other locations, the contact depths for suprabasalt sediment were derived from nearby boreholes.
8. Contact depths for the Saddle Mountains Basalt and interbeds were generally calculated using the average thickness of the individual flow and interbeds from the closest most representative deep boreholes.
9. Stratigraphic profiles were graphically constructed based on guidance provided by Lanigan et al. (2010).

For seismograph stations located off the Hanford Site (i.e., CCRK, DDRF, FHE, PHIN, TUCA, and WOLL) the general methodology was similar, but relied on the Washington State Well Log Viewer (<http://apps.ecy.wa.gov/welllog/index.asp>) for well location information and well logs, the Washington Interactive Geologic Map (<https://fortress.wa.gov/dnr/geology/?Theme=wigm>) for surface geologic coverage, and the Geologic Framework Mapper (<http://or.water.usgs.gov/proj/cpras/index.html>) for the major basalt formation contact elevations after Burns et al. (2011). Structure contour and isopach maps from Lindsey et al. (2009) were also consulted for sites in Franklin or Grant counties (i.e., DDRF, FHE, and WOLL).

The deep stratigraphic profiles (e.g., those extending to the crystalline basement) were created by scaling the shallower (post-Wanapum Basalt) stratigraphy and then extending the profile using stratigraphic top-contact data extracted from the solid Earth geologic model developed by Thorne et al. (in press). Thorne et al. examined two different conceptual models for the thickness of the Pre-Miocene sediments and top of the crystalline basement, but ultimately gave preference to the deep basement conceptual model (based in part on Glover's 1985 interpretation).

4.0 Stratigraphic Profiles

The stratigraphic profiles for each site are shown in Plates 1 through 20 in Appendix A. General descriptions of the stratigraphic units used in this study are listed in Table 2. The depth and thickness of the major stratigraphic units at each Hanford Site seismometer station and reference location are summarized in Table 3 and Table 4, respectively. The depth and thickness of stratigraphic units beneath the regional three-component broadband seismometer stations are summarized in Table 5.

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Table 2. General description of stratigraphic units used in this report.

Stratigraphic Unit	Symbol Used in Tables and Plates	General Description
Backfill	Bf	Poorly sorted, massive, gravel, sand, and silt removed from and subsequently returned to excavations.
Holocene deposits, sand	HDs	Medium- to fine-grained massive to weakly laminated eolian sand to silty sand, equivalent to the fine-grained, massive, well-sorted and medium-grained cross-bedded, well-sorted Holocene deposits described by DOE-RL (2002).
Hanford formation, unit 1	H1	Upper gravel-dominated sequence, consisting of high-energy Ice Age flood deposits, which in places grades upward into a mix of sandy and gravelly sediments. Generally contains a high percentage of subangular basaltic clasts. Equivalent to Lindsey et al. (2000) Unit H1a and Unit H1.
Hanford formation, Unit 2	H2	Middle sand-dominated sequence, consisting of moderate- to high-energy Ice Age flood deposits consisting of graded sandy and silty sediments often characterized as basaltic, salt-and-pepper sand. Equivalent to Lindsey et al. (2000) Unit H2.
Hanford formation, Unit 3	H3	Lower gravel-dominated sequence, consisting of high-energy Ice Age flood deposits containing a high percentage of subangular basaltic clasts, equivalent to Unit 3 of Lindsey et al. (1994) and Unit H3 of Lindsey et al. (2000). The base of this unit includes some fine-grained materials equivalent to Lindsey et al. (2000) Unit H4.
Cold Creek Unit – silt dominated	CCUz	Fine sand, silt, and/or clay, laminated to massive, often characterized as very micaceous, oxidized, and containing pedogenic calcium carbonate, with high natural gamma activity. It is equivalent to the early “Palouse Soil” of Brown (1959, 1960), a portion of the “locally derived subunit” of the Plio-Pleistocene Unit of Lindsey et al. (1994), and the fine-grained, laminated to massive facies association of the Cold Creek Unit of DOE-RL (2002).
Cold Creek Unit – calcic	CCUc	Pedogenic calcium carbonate-cemented clay, silt, sand, and/or gravel, equivalent to the Caliche of Brown (1959, 1960), a portion of the “locally derived subunit” of the Plio-Pleistocene Unit of Lindsey et al. (1994) and the coarse- to fine-grained, carbonate-cemented facies association of the Cold Creek Unit of DOE-RL (2002).
Cold Creek Unit – gravel dominated	CCUg	Equivalent to the coarse-grained, multilithic facies of the Cold Creek Unit of DOE-RL (2002) consisting of rounded, quartzose to gneissic, clast-supported pebble- to cobble- size gravel with quartzo-feldspathic sand matrix.
Cold Creek Unit – colluvium	CCUa	Equivalent to the coarse-grained, angular, basaltic lithofacies of the Cold Creek Unit of DOE-RL (2002) consisting mostly of angular, clast-to-matrix-supported, basaltic gravel in poorly sorted mixture of sand and silt, with calcic paleosols locally present.
Ringold Formation member of Taylor Flat [<i>Upper Ringold</i>]	Rtf	Interstratified deposits of fine-grained fluvial sand and silty overbank-paleosol deposits (Lindsey 1995).
Ringold Formation member of Wooded Island – Unit E	Rwie	Fluvial clast- and matrix-supported well-rounded pebble to cobble gravel of mixed lithologies, in a fine to coarse sand matrix (Lindsey 1995). Cementation varies from poor to well indurated, generally increasing with depth.

Table 2. (contd)

Stratigraphic Unit	Symbol Used in Tables and Plates	General Description
Ringold Formation member of Wooded Island – <i>Fine unit between E and C [Ringold Upper Mud, RUM]</i>	Rwifec	Fine-grained overbank and paleosol deposits that vertically separate Lindsey's (1995) Unit C from overlying Unit E in the eastern part of the Hanford Site.
Ringold Formation member of Wooded Island – Unit C	Rwic	Similar to Unit E (Rwie). Fluvial clast- and matrix-supported well-rounded pebble to cobble gravel of mixed lithologies, in a fine to coarse sand matrix (Lindsey 1995). Cementation generally increases with depth.
Ringold Formation member of Wooded Island – <i>Fine unit between C and B</i>	Rwifcb	Fine-grained overbank and paleosol deposits that vertically separate Lindsey's (1995) Unit B from overlying Unit C in the eastern part of the Hanford Site.
Ringold Formation member of Wooded Island – Unit B	Rwib	Similar to Unit E (Rwie). Fluvial clast- and matrix-supported well-rounded pebble to cobble gravel of mixed lithologies, in a fine to coarse sand matrix (Lindsey 1995). Cementation generally increases with depth.
Ringold Formation – lower mud	Rlm	Fine-grained deposits consisting of stratified clay, silt, and sand (Lindsey 1995). Primarily consists of lacustrine silt and clay, overlying a well-developed paleosol noted beneath 200-West Area (Bjornstad 1984).
Ringold Formation member of Wooded Island – Unit A	Rwia	Similar to Unit E (Rwie) (Lindsey 1995). Generally described as a conglomerate with clasts of mixed lithologies and minor basalt in a silty sand matrix intercalated with beds of sand and silt. The sediments are strongly cemented with silica or iron oxide in places.
Saddle Mountains Basalt, Ice Harbor Member	Ti	Tholeiitic flood-basalt. Consists of two thick flows, separated by a deposit of tephra associated with several thin, discontinuous flows (Swanson et al. 1979). The lower flow is termed the Martindale flow, while the upper flow is termed the Goose Island flow.
Ellensburg Formation, Levy interbed	Tell	Tuffaceous sandstone to siltstone (Myers and Price, eds. 1981, pp. 3–37).
Saddle Mountains Basalt, Elephant Mountain Member	Tem	Tholeiitic flood-basalt. Consists of at least two flows (Ward Gap and Elephant Mountain), described as medium- to fine-grained with abundant microphenocrysts of plagioclase, with transitional to normal magnetic polarity (DOE 1988, pp. 1.2–39).

Table 2. (contd)

Stratigraphic Unit	Symbol Used in Tables and Plates	General Description
Ellensburg Formation, Rattlesnake Ridge interbed	Telr	Various lithologies and textures ranging from clay or tuffaceous siltstone to micaceous-arkosic sandstone and/or conglomerate, with plutonic and metamorphic clasts (Myers and Price, eds. 1981, pp. 3–37)
Saddle Mountains Basalt, Pomona Member	Tp	Tholeiitic flood-basalt. Consists of a single flow with a relatively uniform fine-grained to glassy texture with wedge-shaped plagioclase phenocrysts and rare olivine, and has reversed magnetic polarity (DOE 1988, pp. 1.2–38).
Ellensburg Formation, Selah interbed	Tels	Variable mixture of silty or sandy, vitric tuff, arkosic sands, tuffaceous clays, and locally thin stringer of predominantly basaltic gravel (Myers and Price, eds. 1981, pp. 3–37)
Saddle Mountains Basalt, Esquatzel Member (Te)	Te	Tholeiitic flood-basalt. Consists of one flow (occasionally two flow lobes) with normal magnetic polarity and plagioclase phyric to glomerophyric texture, containing microphenocrysts of clinopyroxene (DOE 1988, pp. 1.2–38).
Ellensburg Formation, Cold Creek interbed	Telc	Consists of tuffaceous siltstone to claystone, fine-grained tuffaceous sandstone, coarser sandstone and conglomerate depending on the relationship to bounding basalt flows (Myers and Price, eds. 1981, pp. 3–32). Myers and Price, eds. (1981, pp. 3–32) recognized three separate intervals: the Asotin-Esquatzel interval, the Umatilla-Esquatzel interval, and the Umatilla-Asotin interval (sometimes referred to as an unnamed interbed).
Saddle Mountains Basalt, Asotin Member	Ta	Tholeiitic flood-basalt. Consists of one flow with fine-grained and glassy to ophitic texture and abundant olivine but sparse plagioclase, and normal magnetic polarity (DOE 1988, pp. 1.2–37).
Saddle Mountains Basalt, Umatilla Member	Tu	Tholeiitic flood-basalt. Consists of up to several flows, informally divided into two units, with fine-grained to glassy texture with rare phenocrysts of plagioclase to olivine and has normal magnetic polarity (DOE 1988, pp. 1.2–34).
Ellensburg Formation, Mabton interbed	Telm	Consists of 1) well-indurated, lapilli tuffstone, 2) fine-grained, tuffaceous, clayey quartzitic sandstone, 3) quartzitic to arkosic sandstone, with interlayered tuffaceous sandstones and siltstones, and 4) a thin basal silty clay (Myers and Price, eds. 1981, pp. 3–32).
Wanapum Basalt, Priest Rapids Member	Tpr	Tholeiitic flood-basalt. Informally subdivided into two units that both have reversed magnetic polarity. The youngest unit, the Lolo flow, contains small olivine phenocrysts and rare glomerocrysts or phenocrysts of plagioclase (DOE 1988, pp. 1.2–33).
Grande Ronde Basalt, Undifferentiated	Tgr	Fine-grained, aphyric, tholeiitic flood-basalt (Reidel et al. 1989a).
Pre-Miocene Sediments		Tertiary continental sedimentary rock (Campbell 1989; Reidel et al. 1989b), perhaps consisting of thick sequences of arkose, volcanoclastic rocks, and coal. ^(a)
Crystalline Basement		Perhaps consisting of Precambrian Belt Supergroup sedimentary rocks and metamorphosed Cretaceous granites. ^(a)
(a) Geology of Washington – Columbia Basin. An online report available at http://www.dnr.wa.gov/researchscience/topics/geologyofwashington/pages/columbia.aspx		

Table 3. Estimated depth (ft) to top contact and thickness (ft) of stratigraphic units beneath selected Hanford Site seismometer stations.

Strat. Unit	H1K (Plate 1) (Plate 1a)	H2E (Plate 2) (Plate 2a)	H2W (Plate 3) (Plate 3a)	H3A (Plate 4) (Plate 4a)	H4A (Plate 5) (Plate 5a)	HAWA (Plate 6) (Plate 6a)	WIA/ WIB (Plate 17)	WIXX (Plate 18)
Holocene Undiff.	NP		NP	NP		0 / 12		0 / 12
Hanford Undiff.	0 / 69				0 / 195	NP	0 / 77	12 / 33
H1		0 / 10	0 / 43	0 / 62		NP		
H2		10 / 249	43 / 49	NP		NP		
H3		259 / 7	NP	NP		NP		
CCUz	NP	NP	92 / 16	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP
CCUc	NP	NP	108 / 36	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP
CCUg	NP	266 / 59	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP
CCUa	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	12 / 16 ^a	NP	NP
Rtf	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP
Rwie	69 / 129	NP	144 / 289	62 / 11	195 / 150	NP	77 / 58	45 / 47
Rwifec	198 / 168	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	135 / 32	NP
Rwic	?	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP
Rwifcb	?	NP	NP	73 / 48	NP	NP	NP	NP
Rwib	366 / 81	NP	NP	121 / 23	NP	NP	167 / 31	NP
Rlm	447 / 159	NP	433 / 53	144 / 43	345 / 132	NP	198 / 19	92 / 6
Rwia	606 / 90	325 / 29	486 / 52	NP	477 / 125	NP	NP	98 / 33
Ti – Goose Island Flow	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	217 / 34	131 / 34
Ti – Matindale Flow	NP	NP	NP	187 / 66	NP	NP	251 / 52	165 / 52
Tell	NP	NP	NP	253 / 17	NP	NP	303 / 26	217 / 26
Tem – Ward Gap flow	NP	NP	NP	270 / 46	602 / 32	NP	329 / 13	243 / 13
Tem – Elephant Mtn. flow	696 / 110	354 / 111	538 / 94	316 / 105	634 / 78	28 / 102	342 / 114	256 / 114
Telr	806 / 47	465 / 45	632 / 95	421 / 28	712 / 96	130 / 43	456 / 22	370 / 22
Tp	853 / 175	510 / 198	727 / 152	449 / 174	808 / 112	173 / 155	478 / 141	392 / 141
Tels	1028 / 51	708 / 22	879 / 59	623 / 2	920 / 28	328 / 5	619 / 2	533 / 2
Te	1079 / 52	730 / 95	938 / 103	625 / 100	948 / 112	333 / 86	621 / 118	535 / 118
Telc	1131 / 3	825 / 98	1041 / 73	725 / 70	1060 / 90	419 / 3	739 / 48	653 / 48
Ta	1134 / 97?	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP
Tu	1231? / 198?	923 / 157	1114 / 217	795 / 267	1150 / 195	422 / 268	787 / 247	701 / 247
Telm	1429 / 59	1080 / 98	1331 / 126	1062 / 38	1345 / 111	690 / 57	1034 / 32	948 / 32
Wanapum Basalt	1488 / 1093	1178 / 1029	1457 / 1193	1100 / 1001	1456 / 1034	747 / 1090	1066 / ?	980 / ?
Grande Ronde Basalt	2581 / 8555	2207 / 7628	2650 / 8262	2101 / 5427	2490 / 4932	1837 / 7222		

Table 3. (contd)

Strat. Unit	H1K (Plate 1) (Plate 1a)	H2E (Plate 2) (Plate 2a)	H2W (Plate 3) (Plate 3a)	H3A (Plate 4) (Plate 4a)	H4A (Plate 5) (Plate 5a)	HAWA (Plate 6) (Plate 6a)	WIA/ WIB (Plate 17)	WIXX (Plate 18)
Pre-Miocene Sediments	11136 / 17863	9835 / 20644	10912 / 20803	7528 / 16705	7422 / 19416	9059 / 21134		
Crystalline Basement*	28999 / ?	30479 / ?	31715 / ?	24233 / ?	26838 / ?	30293 / ?		
<p>(a) Described as cemented gravel, and interpreted to be cemented talus/slope wash equivalent to the Cold Creek Unit.</p> <p>D / T = depth in feet below ground surface/thickness in feet (to convert to meters, multiply by 0.3048)</p> <p>Undiff. = undifferentiated</p> <p>NP = Inferred to be not present</p> <p>? = Unknown or not determined for this study</p> <p>* Based on contacts from Paul Thorne email dated 8-20-2013.</p>								

Table 4. Estimated depth (ft) to top contact and thickness (ft) of stratigraphic units beneath selected reference locations.

Stratigraphic Unit	A1 (WTP) (Plate 7) (Plate 7a)	B (200 W & H2WO) (Plate 8) (Plate 8a)	C (CGS) (Plate 9) (Plate 9a)	D (105-B) (Plate 10) (Plate 10a)	E (300) (Plate 11) (Plate 11a)
Holocene Undiff.	0 / 9	NP	NP	NP	NP
Hanford Undiff.			0 / 43	0 / 89	
H1	NP	0 / 36	NP		0 / 60
H2	9 / 151	36 / 76	NP		NP
H3	160 / 90	NP			NP
CCUz	NP	112 / 6	NP	NP	NP
CCUc	NP	118 / 13	NP	NP	NP
CCUg	250 / 72	NP	NP	NP	NP
CCUa	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP
Rtf	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP
Rwie	NP	131 / 282	43 / 207	89 / 96	60 / 33
Rwifec	NP	NP	NP	185 / 108	NP
Rwic	NP	NP	NP	?	NP
Rwifcb	NP	NP	250 / 55	?	93 / 31
Rwib	NP	NP	305 / 111	293 / 115	124 / 26
Rlm	NP	413 / 37	416 / 51	408 / 205	150 / 42
Rwia	322 / 60	450 / 62	467 / 58	613 / 40	NP
Ti	NP	NP	NP	NP	192 / 72
Tell	NP	NP	NP	NP	264 / 19
Tem – Ward Gap flow	NP	NP	525 / 32	NP	283 / 41
Tem – Elephant Mtn. flow	382 / 111	512 / 97	557 / 98	653 / 117	324 / 106
Telr	493 / 45	609 / 90	655 / 25	770 / 47	430 / 28
Tp	538 / 198	699 / 148	680 / 160	817 / 176	458 / 169
Tels	736 / 22	847 / 68	840 / 15	993 / 50	627 / 2
Te	758 / 95	915 / 91	855 / 110	1043 / 64	629 / 103
Tele	853 / 98	1006 / 85	965 / 44	1107 / 4	732 / 67

Table 4. (contd)

Stratigraphic Unit	A1 (WTP) (Plate 7) (Plate 7a)	B (200 W & H2WO) (Plate 8) (Plate 8a)	C (CGS) (Plate 9) (Plate 9a)	D (105-B) (Plate 10) (Plate 10a)	E (300) (Plate 11) (Plate 11a)
Ta	NP	NP	NP	1111 / 81	NP
Unnamed interbed	NP	NP	NP	1192 / 8	NP
Tu(s) – Sillusi flow	951 / 49	1091 / 52			
Tu(u) – Umatilla flow	1000 / 108	1143 / 138	1009 / 214	1200 / 175	799 / 264
Telm	1108 / 98	1281 / 141	1223 / 67	1375 / 113	1063 / 37
Wanapum Basalt	1206 / 1029	1422 / 1163	1290 / 1073	1474 / 1265	1100 / 996
Grande Ronde Basalt	2235 / 7326	2585 / 8217	2363 / 4631	2739 / 8830	2096 / 5418
Pre-Miocene Sediments	9561 / 20749	10802 / 20768	6994 / 19509	11569 / 17833	7514 / 16786
Crystalline Basement*	30310 / ?	31570 / ?	26503 / ?	29402 / ?	24300 / ?
D / T = depth in feet below ground surface/thickness in feet (to convert to meters, multiply by 0.3048) Undiff. = undifferentiated NP = Inferred to be not present ? = Unknown or not determined for this study * Based on contacts from Paul Thorne email dated 8-20-2013.					

Table 5. Estimated depth (ft) to top contact and thickness (ft) of stratigraphic units beneath selected regional three-component broadband seismometer stations.

Stratigraphic Unit	CCRK (Plate 12)	DDRF (Plate 13)	FHE (Plate 14)	PHIN (Plate 15)	GBB (Plate 16)	WOLL (Plate 19)	TUCA (Plate 20)
Undiff. Unconsolidated Sediment (e.g. Loess)	0 / 15	0 / 2	0 / 2	0 / 3	NP	0 / 12	0 / 11
Undiff. Clay	NP	NP	NP	3 / 22	NP	NP	NP
Ti	NP	2 / 72	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP
Tell	NP	74 / 10	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP
Tem	15 / 56	84 / 76	2 / 124	25 / 95	0 / 50	NP	NP
Telr	71 / 83	160 / 20	NP	120 / 69	50 / 11	NP	NP
Tp	154 / 116	180 / 139	NP	189 / 159	61 / 108	NP	NP
Tels	NP	319 / 37	NP	348 / 30	169 / 22	NP	NP
Te	270 / 102	356 / 84	NP	NP	191 / 50	NP	NP
Telc	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP
Ta	NP	NP	NP	NP	241 / 39	NP	NP
Unnamed interbed	NP	NP	NP	NP	280 / 4	NP	NP
Tu	372 / 276	NP	NP	378 / 232	284 / 164	NP	NP
Telm	648 / 88	440 / 25	126 / 26	NP?	448 / 138	NP	NP
Wanapum Basalt	736 / ?	465 / ?	152 / ?	610 / ?	586 / ?	12 / 447	NP
Grande Ronde Basalt						447 / ?	11 / ?
D / T = depth in feet below ground surface/thickness in feet (to convert to meters, multiply by 0.3048) Undiff. = undifferentiated NP = Inferred to be not present ? = Unknown or not determined for this study							

5.0 Uncertainties

A number of potential sources of error involve the site location, elevation, and interpreted stratigraphic contacts.

5.1 Station/Site Location and Elevation

There is some uncertainty about the published coordinates and elevation of some of the seismometer stations. The horizontal locations from different published sources (see Table 1) vary from just over 100 m (328 ft) to over 330 m (1,080 ft), and elevations vary by up to 70 m (230 ft). The accuracy of the site locations used in this report is estimated to be within 100 m (328 ft) horizontally and within 10 m (33 ft) vertically. Uncertainty about the horizontal locations is not expected to have significant impacts on the stratigraphic profiles. However, uncertainty in the elevation of the stations could affect the interpreted depth (and thickness) of stratigraphic units (particularly the top of the basalt and suprabasalt sediments), leading to differences on the order of 10 m (33 ft).

5.2 Interpreted Stratigraphic Contacts

Stratigraphic contacts used in this report are based on interpretation of borehole data and samples made by a number of different individuals for different environmental programs, often using different stratigraphic nomenclature. Reidel and Chamness (2007) summarized some of the sources of uncertainty regarding the interpretation of stratigraphic contacts. Although their summary was aimed primarily at the suprabasalt sediments, similar sources of uncertainty also apply to contacts within and below the Saddle Mountains Basalt. These sources of uncertainty include 1) the quality of subsurface data, which is influenced by the drilling technique, the logging of the borehole, and sample collection; 2) subtle differences between some stratigraphic units that make identification of the stratigraphic contacts difficult; and 3) uncertainty in the spatial distribution and thickness of the stratigraphic units.

5.3 Borehole Coverage

The number and location of and distance to boreholes with reasonable stratigraphic interpretations also have a major effect on the uncertainty of the stratigraphic profiles—the farther away and the fewer the number of useful boreholes, the less confident the extrapolations are.

5.4 Qualitative Estimates of Uncertainty for Each Site

A qualitative assessment of the level of uncertainty (i.e., variation in depth and thickness) for each site is described below. Plates 1 through 20 (noted parenthetically in the following sections) are presented in Appendix A.

5.4.1 Station H1K (Plates 1 and 1a)

The nearest borehole (199-K-187) is located approximately 215 m (705 ft) away from this station, and provides good stratigraphic control down to the top of the Ringold Formation upper mud (Rwifec)

(Hartman 2011). The stratigraphy for the lower portion of the Ringold Formation is extrapolated from the average thickness of stratigraphic units penetrated by two boreholes located 2.6 to 3.6 km (1.6 to 2.2 mi) away. The difference in interpreted thickness for these units ranged from 8.5 m (28 ft) to 43 m (141 ft).

The elevation of the top of the basalt was based on the structure contour map of the basalt surface provided by Thorne et al. (2006). The scale of this map and the 20-m (65.5-ft) elevation contour interval relative to the estimated location and elevation of the seismometer station suggests that the contact elevation for the top of the basalt may be good to within about 10 m (33 ft). The stratigraphy of the Saddle Mountains Basalt and associated interbeds was extrapolated from the average thickness of stratigraphic units penetrated by three boreholes located 2.6 to 4 km (1.6 to 2.5 mi) away—all northeast of the station. Where multiple interpretations are available, the range in interpreted thicknesses for each of these units varied from 0.6 to 4.6 m (2 to 15 ft). Contact elevations for the top of the Saddle Mountains Basalt and the top of the Wanapum Basalt were also extracted from a large-scale solid Earth model developed by Thorne et al. (in press). The grid size for this model was pretty large (80 km × 120 km) and the input data were relatively sparse, so these contact elevations were used primarily for comparison purposes, yielding differences of 6 m (20 ft) to 13 m (44 ft).

The deep stratigraphy, below the top of the Wanapum Basalt, is based on contact elevations extracted from Thorne et al.'s (in press) large-scale solid Earth model. One of the greatest sources of uncertainty is the thickness of the pre-Miocene sediments and elevation of the top of the crystalline basement. Thorne examined two different conceptual models with the top of the crystalline basement varying by 4,038 m (13,250 ft).

5.4.2 Station H2E (Plates 2 and 2a)

The stratigraphy of the suprabasalt sediments and the contact for the top of the basalt were extrapolated from structure contour maps provided by Last et al. (2009b). The scale of these maps and the 3-m (10-ft) elevation contour interval relative to the estimated location of the station suggests that the contact elevation for the top of the basalt and suprabasalt sediments may be good to within about 3 m (10 ft). Taking into account the uncertainty about the elevation of the station (perhaps as much as 23 m lower), this may increase the potential uncertainty for the stratigraphic contacts to about 25 m (82 ft).

The stratigraphy of the Saddle Mountains Basalt and associated interbeds was extrapolated from the average thicknesses of stratigraphic units interpreted from four boreholes (C4993, C4996, C4997, and C4998 in Barnett et al. 2007) located 2.3 to 2.5 km (1.4 to 1.5 mi) away—all east of the station. The difference in the interpreted thicknesses for each of these units ranged from 0.3 to 7 m (1 to 23 ft). Model contact elevations extracted from Thorne et al.'s (in press) solid Earth model differed by 10 m (34 ft) to 12 m (40 ft).

Two different conceptual models examined by Thorne et al. (in press) yielded a difference in the solid Earth model output of 5,205 m (17,078 ft) for the top-contact elevation of the crystalline basement.

5.4.3 Station H2W2006 (a.k.a. H2W; Plates 3 and 3a)

The stratigraphy of the suprabasalt sediments and the contact for the top of the basalt was extrapolated from structure contour maps provided by Last et al. (2009a). The scale of these maps and

the 3-m (10-ft) elevation contour interval relative to the estimated location of the station suggest that the estimated contact elevation for the top of the basalt and suprabasalt sediments may be good to within about 3 m (10 ft). Taking into account the uncertainty about the elevation of the station (perhaps as much as 72 m lower), this may increase the potential uncertainty to about 25 m (82 ft).

The stratigraphy of the Saddle Mountains Basalt and associated interbeds was extrapolated from the average thicknesses of stratigraphic units interpreted from three boreholes located 1 to 2 km (0.6 to 1.2 mi) away—west, northwest, and north of the station. The difference in the interpreted thicknesses for each of these units ranged from 0.3 to 9 m (1 to 30 ft). Model contact elevations extracted from Thorne et al.'s (in press) solid Earth model differed by 8 m (27 ft) to 14 m (44 ft).

Two different conceptual models examined by Thorne et al. (in press) yielded a difference in the solid Earth model output of 4,552 m (14,934 ft) for the top-contact elevation of the crystalline basement.

5.4.4 Station H3A (Plates 4 and 4a)

The stratigraphy of the suprabasalt sediments was based on a borehole located about 100 m (328 ft) southwest of the station, as well as the structure contour map for the top of the Ringold Formation provided by the DOE Richland Operations Office (DOE-RL 2011, Figure 3-24). The scale of the Ringold Formation structure contour map and the 1.5-m (5-ft) contour interval relative to the estimated location of the station suggests that the estimated contact elevation for the top of the Ringold Formation may be good to within about 1.5 m (5 ft). The top of basalt was extrapolated from the average contact elevations interpreted from three boreholes located 0.4 to 1.4 km (0.2 to 0.9 mi) away. All interpreted elevations were within 6 m (20 ft), suggesting that the estimated contact elevation for the top of basalt may be good to within about 3 m (10 ft). Taking into account uncertainty regarding the elevation of the station (as much as 20 m lower), this may increase the potential uncertainty in the contact depths for the top of basalt and the suprabasalt sediments to about 20 m (65 ft).

The stratigraphy for the Saddle Mountains Basalt and associated interbeds was based on the distance-weighted average thickness from two boreholes located 1 to 3.5 km (0.6 to 2 mi) away. The difference in the interpreted thicknesses for each of these stratigraphic units varied up to 13 m (43 ft). The model contact elevation for the top of the Saddle Mountains Basalt extracted from Thorne et al.'s (in press) solid Earth model differed by less than 1 m (2 ft); the contact elevation difference for the top of the Wanapum Basalt differed by 23 m (77 ft).

Two different conceptual models examined by Thorne et al. (in press) yielded a difference in the solid Earth model output of 4,115 m (13,502 ft) for the top-contact elevation of the crystalline basement.

5.4.5 Station H4A (Plates 5 and 5a)

The nearest borehole with documented stratigraphic interpretations is located approximately 340 m (1,100 ft) northwest of the station, and it provides good stratigraphic control for the top of basalt and suprabasalt sediments. Another borehole located 480 m (1,500 ft) to the northwest has interpreted top of basalt elevations of up to 24 m (79 ft) lower.

The stratigraphy for the Saddle Mountains Basalt and associated interbeds was based on the interpreted contacts from the borehole located 480 m (1,500 ft) away. Other deep boreholes that penetrate

the Saddle Mountains Basalt are located more than 5 km (3 mi) away and have interpreted thicknesses for the different strata that vary by as much as 82 m (269 ft). The model contact elevation for the top of the Saddle Mountains Basalt extracted from Thorne et al.'s (in press) solid Earth model differed by about 5 m (15 ft); the contact elevation difference for the top of the Wanapum Basalt differed by 7 m (22 ft).

Two different conceptual models examined by Thorne et al. (in press) yielded a difference in the solid Earth model output of 4,335 m (14,224 ft) for the top-contact elevation of the crystalline basement.

5.4.6 Station HAWA (Plates 6 and 6a)

The stratigraphy of the suprabasalt sediments and top of the Saddle Mountains Basalt (i.e., Elephant Mountain Member) and Rattlesnake Ridge interbed, as well as the bottom of the Saddle Mountains Basalt and Mabton interbed, are based on the nearest borehole, 699-S18-51, located 200 m (656 ft) to the west-southwest. Published interpretations are not available for this borehole, but the available borehole data provide reasonable control for the major stratigraphic interpretations.

The stratigraphy for the interior portion of the Saddle Mountains Basalt and associated interbeds is based on the interpreted thickness of stratigraphic units from five boreholes located 2.8 to 8.5 km (1.7 to 5.3 mi) away. Differences in the interpreted thicknesses of any of the stratigraphic units range up to 45 m (147 ft). The model contact elevation for the top of the Saddle Mountains Basalt extracted from Thorne et al.'s (in press) solid Earth model differed by about 4 m (12 ft); the contact elevation difference for the top of the Wanapum Basalt differed by 17 m (56 ft).

Two different conceptual models examined by Thorne et al. (in press) yielded a difference in the solid Earth model output of 4,335 m (14,224 ft) for the top-contact elevation of the crystalline basement.

5.4.7 Station WIA/WIB (Plate 17)

Temporary stations WIA and WIB were located approximately 775 m (2,540 ft) apart, with the nearest boreholes (699-S11-E12 A and B) located about 365 m (1,200 ft) north of WIA and 835 m (2,740 ft) west-northwest of WIB. The next closest borehole (699-S16-E-14 [DC-15]) is located about 1,200 m (3,900 ft) to the south or southeast. A single stratigraphic profile was developed for these stations based on a location midway between them or about 390 m (1,270 ft) from each of the estimated station locations.

The stratigraphy of the suprabasalt sediments was based on the average stratigraphic contact elevations for boreholes 699-S11-E12 A and B, taken from Thorne et al. (2006). These contact elevations varied by a maximum of 0.5 m (1.6 ft). The top of the basalt was extrapolated from the average contact elevations for boreholes 699-S11-E12 A and B taken from Thorne et al. (2006), and the contact depth for the top of the Ice Harbor Member for borehole 699-S16-E-14 (DC-15) taken from Landon (1985). The interpreted elevations between these two borehole locations varied by about 15.6 m (51 ft) and about 5–10 m (16–33 ft) from the extrapolated estimate for the WIA/WIB location. This suggests that the estimated contact elevation for the top of the basalt may be good to within about 10 m (33 ft).

The stratigraphy for the Saddle Mountains Basalt and associated interbeds was based on the interpreted stratigraphic thicknesses from a single borehole 699-S16-E-14 (DC-15), located about 1,130 m (3,715 ft) to the south-southeast, as taken from Landon (1985).

5.4.8 Station WIXX (Plate 18)

The stratigraphy of the suprabasalt sediments was based on a variety of interpreted stratigraphic contacts for boreholes between 120 and 650 m (390 and 2,130 ft) away, including 699-S19-E14 from Swanson (1992). Where multiple contact interpretations are available for wells in close proximity to each other (e.g., Thorne et al. 2006 – for 399-1-18A, B and C), the contacts varied by up to 4.8 m (16 ft). How representative these contact depths are directly beneath the WIXX station is unknown.

The top of the basalt was extrapolated from the contact elevation for borehole 399-1-18C, taken from Thorne et al. (2006), and the contact depth for the top of the Ice Harbor Member from borehole 699-S16-E-14 (DC-15) taken from Landon (1985). The interpreted elevations between these two borehole locations varied by about 12.3 m (40 ft) and about 4–8 m (13–26 ft) from the extrapolated estimate for the WIXX location. This suggests that the contact elevation for the top of the basalt may be good to within 8 m (26 ft).

The stratigraphy for the Saddle Mountains Basalt and associated interbeds was based on the interpreted stratigraphic thicknesses from a single borehole 699-S16-E-14 (DC-15), located about 960 m (3,150 ft) to the north, as taken from Landon (1985).

5.4.9 Reference Location A1 (Waste Treatment Plant, Plates 7 and 7a)

The nearest borehole with documented stratigraphic interpretations, C4998, is located approximately 45 m (148 ft) southwest of the reference location and provides good stratigraphic control for the top of the basalt and suprabasalt sediments (Barnett et al. 2007). A companion borehole with stratigraphic interpretations, C4997, is located 25 m to the south and 62 m from the reference location (Barnett et al. 2007). Differences in interpreted stratigraphic contacts suggests that the estimated contact depths and thicknesses for the suprabasalt sediments may be good to within about 3 m (10 ft).

Two other boreholes (C4993 and C4996) are located within about 307 m (1,007 ft) to the north and west and have interpreted top-of-basalt elevations that vary up to 25 m (83 ft) (Barnett et al. 2007). Differences in the interpreted stratigraphic thicknesses for the Saddle Mountains Basalt and associated interbeds varied from 2.4 to 7 m (8 to 23 ft) in the top of the section (down to the Selah interbed), and from 0.3 to 3.7 m (1 to 12 ft) from there down (Barnett et al. 2007). The model contact elevation for the top of the Saddle Mountains Basalt extracted from Thorne et al.'s (in press) solid Earth model differed by about 14 m (46 ft); the contact elevation difference for the top of the Wanapum Basalt differed by 13 m (43 ft).

Two different conceptual models examined by Thorne et al. (in press) yielded a difference in the solid Earth model output of 5,324 m (17,468 ft) for the top-contact elevation of the crystalline basement.

5.4.10 Reference Location B and Seismometer Station H2W1998 (Plates 8 and 8a)

The stratigraphy of the suprabasalt sediments and the contact for the top of the basalt were extrapolated from structure contour maps provided by Last et al. (2009a). The scale of these maps and the 3-m (10-ft) elevation contour interval relative to the estimated location of the reference location suggests that the contact elevation for the top of the basalt and suprabasalt sediments may be good to

within about 3 m (10 ft). Comparison with borehole logs from the nearest borehole, 299-W17-2, located 143 m (469 ft) to the west, suggests that the estimated locations of the contacts are accurate to within about 1.2–2.1 m (4–7 ft).

The stratigraphy of the Saddle Mountains Basalt and associated interbeds was extrapolated from the average thicknesses interpreted from three boreholes located 1.7 to 2.5 km (1.1 to 1.6 mi) away—to the northwest and northeast of the reference location. The difference in the interpreted thicknesses for each of these units ranged from 3 to 6.7 m (10 to 22 ft) down through the Esquatzel Member, and from 8.8 to 21 m (29 to 70 ft) for the lowermost portion of the Saddle Mountains Basalt. The model contact elevation for the top of the Saddle Mountains Basalt extracted from Thorne et al.'s (in press) solid Earth model differed by about 5 m (15 ft); the contact elevation difference for the top of the Wanapum Basalt differed by 10 m (32 ft).

Two different conceptual models examined by Thorne et al. (in press) yielded a difference in the solid Earth model output of 5,324 m (17,468 ft) for the top-contact elevation of the crystalline basement.

The original location of the H2W seismometer station (designated H2W1998) is a bit uncertain. Conrads (1997) indicated that it was at a location that is approximately 195 m (640 ft) north of reference location B. The stratigraphic thicknesses for the Saddle Mountains Basalt are expected to be similar for seismometer station H2W1998. However, the elevation of the top of the basalt surface is estimated to be about 4 m (13 ft) higher. The elevation of suprabasalt stratigraphic contacts may also vary up to about 5 m (16 ft) from that estimated for reference location B.

5.4.11 Reference Location C (Columbia Generating Station, Plates 9 and 9a)

The stratigraphy of the suprabasalt sediments and uppermost Saddle Mountains Basalt is based on work by Bechtel (2013) and is presumably defined by three boreholes located 42 to 873 m (138 to 2,865 ft) away. Comparison of this stratigraphy with interpreted contact information provided by Thorne et al. (2006) for borehole 699-12-1A (B-12) located 42 m (138 ft) from the reference location, found that the difference in interpreted contact depths for the major suprabasalt strata and the top of the basalt vary by 1.2 to 5.8 m (4 to 19 ft). The model contact elevation for the top of the Saddle Mountains Basalt extracted from Thorne et al.'s (in press) solid Earth model differed by about 7 m (22 ft).

The stratigraphy for the lower portion of the Saddle Mountains Basalt and associated interbeds was based on interpreted stratigraphic contacts and thicknesses from four boreholes located 4.2 to 5.5 km (2.6 to 3.5 mi) away. The interpreted stratigraphic thicknesses between these boreholes vary by as much as 15.2 to 26.5 m (50 to 87 ft). Some of this variation in thickness is due to the presence of additional basalt flows (the Esquatzel 2 flow and the Asotin flow) and unnamed interbeds identified in two of the four boreholes. Thus, there is not only uncertainty about the thickness of the stratigraphic units but also about the number of stratigraphic units. The model contact elevation for the top of the Wanapum Basalt differed by over 5 m (18 ft).

Two different conceptual models examined by Thorne et al. (in press) yielded a difference in the solid Earth model output of 4,904 m (16,090 ft) for the top-contact elevation of the crystalline basement.

5.4.12 Reference Location D (105-B, Plates 10 and 10a)

The nearest borehole, 199-B4-9, is located approximately 126 m (413 ft) away from this reference location, and it provides good stratigraphic control only down to the top of the Ringold Formation member of Wooded Island, Unit E (Rwie). The stratigraphy for the upper portion of the Ringold Formation is extrapolated from the average thickness from this and four other boreholes located within about 0.5 km (0.3 mi) away (Hartman 2011). The range in the interpreted elevation for these units varies by about 3 m (10 ft). The stratigraphy for the lower portion of the Ringold Formation is based on the interpreted contacts provided by Thorne et al. (2006) for one borehole located nearly 1 km (0.62 mi) away.

The elevation of the top of the basalt was based on the structure contour map of the basalt surface derived from Thorne et al. (2006). The scale of this map and the 20-m (65.5-ft) elevation contour interval relative to the estimated location and elevation of the station suggests that the estimated contact elevation for the top of the basalt may be accurate to within about 10 m (33 ft). The stratigraphy of the upper portion of the Saddle Mountains Basalt and associated interbeds was extrapolated from the average thickness from three boreholes located 7 to 8 km (4 to 5 mi) away—all northeast of the reference location. Where multiple interpretations are available, the range in interpreted thicknesses for each of these units varied from 0.6 to 4.6 m (2 to 15 ft). The model contact elevation for the top of the Saddle Mountains Basalt extracted from Thorne's solid Earth model differed by about 3 m (10 ft).

The stratigraphy for the lower portion of the Saddle Mountains Basalt is based on interpreted thicknesses for individual boreholes located up to 8 km (5 mi) away and isopach maps provided by Myers and Price (1981). Where multiple interpretations are available, the difference in interpreted thicknesses for these units varied by 7 m (23 ft). The model contact elevation for top of the Wanapum Basalt differed by about 23 m (75 ft).

Two different conceptual models examined by Thorne (in press) yielded a difference in the solid Earth model output of 3,696 m (12,125 ft) for the top-contact elevation of the crystalline basement.

5.4.13 Reference Location E (300 Area, Plates 11 and 11a)

The stratigraphy of the upper suprabasalt sediments was based on a borehole located about 12 m (39 ft) northwest of this reference location. Existing stratigraphic contact information for borehole 399-3-3 indicates that the top of the Ringold Formation member of Wooded Island, Unit E (Rwie), is located at an elevation of between 103.5 m and 105.7 m (340 ft and 347 ft). However, the structure contour map for the top of the Ringold Formation provided by DOE-RL (2011, Figure 3-24) suggests that the top of the Ringold Formation lies at an elevation between 94.5 m and 96 m (310 ft and 315 ft). These discrepancies suggest that the estimated contact elevation for the top of the Ringold Formation may be good to within about 10 m (33 ft). The rest of the suprabasalt stratigraphy is based on the average contact elevations from the two nearest boreholes, 399-3-3 and 399-4-5, where interpreted contacts provided by Thorne et al. (2006) vary by as much as 12 m (40 ft).

The elevation of the top of the basalt was based on contact elevations interpreted from borehole 399-4-5 located 176 m (577 ft) to the south-southeast. The stratigraphy for the Saddle Mountains Basalt and associated interbeds was based on the distance-weighted average thickness of each stratigraphic unit as provided by Landon (1985) for two boreholes (699-S30-E14 [DDH-3] and 699-S16-E14 [DC-15])

located 1.5 to 3 km (1 to 1.9 mi) away, respectively. The difference in the interpreted thicknesses for each of these stratigraphic units varied by up to 13 m (43 ft). The model contact elevation for the top of the Saddle Mountains Basalt extracted from Thorne et al.'s (in press) solid Earth model differed by about 2 m (6 ft); the contact elevation for the top of the Wanapum Basalt differed by about 19 m (61 ft).

Two different conceptual models examined by Thorne et al. (in press) yielded a difference in the solid Earth model output of 4,136 m (13,569 ft) for the top-contact elevation of the crystalline basement.

5.4.14 Seismometer Station CCRK (Plate 12)

The elevation of this station is a bit uncertain. Based on field reconnaissance, the elevation of this station was found to be about 27 m (90 ft) lower than previously reported.¹ The stratigraphy for this station is also highly uncertain. It is based on interpretation of the Washington State Department of Ecology (WADOE) Well Log ID 138747² normalized to the top of the Saddle Mountains Basalt and Wanapum Basalt formations extracted from the Geologic Framework Mapper (Burns et al. 2011). Well 138747 is located about 0.5 km east and downslope from CCRK. Stratigraphic interpretations are based on the correlation of driller's descriptions from this and other nearby wells with documented interpretations from 699-49-100A (DB-11) from Myers and Price (1981).

5.4.15 Seismometer Station DDRF (Plate 13)

The top of the basalt is fairly well constrained by the topography, and the ground-surface elevation is within 0.5 m (1.5 ft) of the interpreted top of Saddle Mountains Basalt extracted from the Geologic Framework Mapper (Burns et al. 2011). The stratigraphy of the upper Saddle Mountains Basalt is based on interpretation of the WADOE Well Log ID 167864 (located within about 0.5 km [1,600 ft]) and its correlation with published stratigraphic contacts for boreholes 699-2-E14 [DB-1], 699-15-E3 [DB-2] in Myers and Price (1981), and 699-S16-E14 [DC-15] in Landon (1985), all located about 20 km to the west and southwest.

There is a good deal of uncertainty about the thickness of Saddle Mountains Basalt. For example, the correlation described above, suggests that the Ice Harbor Member could be about 22 m (72 ft) thick, but Lindsey et al. (2009, Plate 16) suggest that the Ice Harbor Member and Levy interbed may be missing or very thin. There are a number of other discrepancies between long-distance correlations done for this study, interpretations in the Geologic Framework Mapper (Burns et al. 2011), and those of Lindsey et al. (2009), suggesting that there may be as much as 60 m (200 ft) of uncertainty in the total thickness of the Saddle Mountains Basalt.

5.4.16 Seismometer Station FHE (Plate 14)

There is a lot of uncertainty regarding the stratigraphy for this station. While the top of the basalt is fairly well constrained by the topography, the stratigraphy and thickness of the Saddle Mountains Basalt are highly uncertain. The stratigraphy developed for this study is based on interpretation of WADOE Well Log ID 454842 correlated with the extent of basalt flows portrayed by DOE (1988, Figures 1.2-2p

¹ Email from Alan Rohay to distribution, dated September 3, 2013.

² Washington State Well Log Viewer (<http://apps.ecy.wa.gov/welllog/index.asp>).

through 1.2-2cc), and Lindsey (2009, Plates 22 and 24), normalized to the modeled thickness for the Saddle Mountains Basalt and Wanapum Basalt (Burns et al. 2011). Comparison of the top-contact elevation for the Wanapum Basalt of Lindsey et al. (2009) with that modeled by Burns et al. (2011) suggests a difference of about 30 m (90 ft).

5.4.17 Seismometer Station PHIN (Plate 15)

Interpretation of the stratigraphy beneath this station is also highly uncertain. The tops of the Saddle Mountains Basalt and Wanapum Basalt are based on data extracted from the Geologic Framework Mapper (Burns et al. 2011), and were used to constrain the rest of the stratigraphy. The stratigraphy of the suprabasalt sediments and internal to the Saddle Mountains Basalt was based on interpretation of WADOE Well Logs ID 302785 and ID 139808. The presence and thickness of individual members of the Saddle Mountains Basalt Formation are highly uncertain.

5.4.18 Seismometer Station GBB (Plate 16)

Station GBB is located on basalt. The top of the basalt (i.e., the Saddle Mountains Basalt) is constrained by the topography and by the top of basalt interpreted by Fecht (1978) and Myers and Price (1981, Sheet 4), showing the Elephant Mountain Member at the ground surface. Interpretation of the stratigraphy internal to the upper portions of the Saddle Mountains Basalt is based upon stratigraphic thicknesses in deep boreholes 699-61-57 [DB-9] and 699-63-95 [DB-12]), located 6 km away, and 699-84-59 (BH-16) located 8.9 km away, taken from Myers and Price (1984, Table A.2). This information was supplemented by interpretation of borehole log summaries for 699-81-62 (BH-17) and 699-86-64 (BH-18) based on Fecht et al. (1984). The stratigraphy of the lower portion of the Saddle Mountains Basalt is based on the interpreted stratigraphic thicknesses for 699-61-57 (DB-9) and/or 699-63-95 (DB-12) taken from Myers and Price (1981, Table A-2).

The presence and thickness of individual members of the Saddle Mountains Basalt and the top of the Wanapum Basalt are highly uncertain. Where multiple interpretations are available, the range in interpreted thickness for some of these units (e.g., Pomona or Umatilla) varied by up to 29 ft (8.8 m). In the case of the Esquatzel Member and Asotin Member, interpretations from well 699-61-57 (DB-9) indicate that both of these members are present, occupying a combined thickness of 180 ft (55 m), while interpretations for well 699-63-95 (DB-12) indicate that they are not present. Thus, the estimated top of the Wanapum Basalt could be off by more than 180 ft (55 m).

5.4.19 Seismometer Station WOLL (Plate 19)

Interpretation of the stratigraphy beneath this station is fairly uncertain. The tops of the Wanapum Basalt and Grande Ronde Basalt are based on data extracted from Thorne et al.'s (in press) solid Earth model of data from (Burns et al. 2011). These contacts were then used to constrain the rest of the stratigraphy. The stratigraphy internal to the Wanapum Basalt was based on interpretation of WADOE Well Logs ID 174109/659838 and 174078, correlated with the extent of basalt flows portrayed by DOE (1988) and their elevation and thickness reported by Lindsey et al. (2009). The presence and thickness of individual members of the Saddle Mountains Basalt are fairly uncertain.

5.4.20 Seismometer Station TUCA (Plate 20)

Interpretation of the stratigraphy beneath this station is fairly uncertain. The top of the Grande Ronde Basalt is based on data extracted from Thorne et al.'s (in press) solid Earth model of data from (Burns et al. 2011). Information about the depth to the basalt and thickness of the suprabasalt sediments is based on interpretation of WADOE Well Logs ID 164097 and 654073.

6.0 Conclusions

Stratigraphic profiles were constructed for eight selected Hanford Site seismometer stations, five Hanford Site facility reference locations, and seven regional three-component broadband seismometer stations. These profiles provide interpretations of the subsurface layers to support estimation of ground motions from past earthquakes, and the prediction of ground motions from future earthquakes. In most cases these profiles terminated at the top of the Wanapum Basalt, but at selected sites the stratigraphic profiles were extended down to the top of the crystalline basement. The composite one-dimensional stratigraphic profiles were based primarily on previous interpretations from nearby boreholes, and in many cases the nearest deep borehole is located kilometers away.

A number of potential sources of uncertainty exist concerning the site locations, elevations, and extrapolation of interpreted stratigraphic contacts. Stratigraphic contacts used in this report are based on interpretation of borehole data from a number of different individuals for different environmental programs, often using different stratigraphic nomenclature. Sources of uncertainty include 1) the quality of subsurface data, which is influenced by the drilling technique, the logging of the borehole, and sample collection; 2) subtle differences between some stratigraphic units that makes identification of the stratigraphic contacts difficult; and 3) uncertainty in the geometric shape of the stratigraphic units. Where suitable, existing structure contour and isopach maps, as well as cross sections, and solid Earth model information, and on rare occasions some field checking were used to help verify or adjust station location information and the stratigraphic contacts to improve extrapolation of borehole data from distant boreholes.

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Appendix A

Stratigraphic Profiles

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Detailed stratigraphic profiles through the Saddle Mountains Basalt and suprabasalt sediments are provided in in Plates 1 through 20. Deep stratigraphic profiles to the top of the crystalline basement are provided in Plates 1a through 11a.

Plate 1 - General Stratigraphy Beneath Seismometer Station H1K
 (Based on wells 199-B3-2, 199-K-187, 199-K-195, 699-84-59 [BH-16], 699-81-62 [BH-17], 699-86-64 [BH18], 699-57-83B [DC-23], 699-61-57 [DB-9], and 699-63-95 [DB-12])

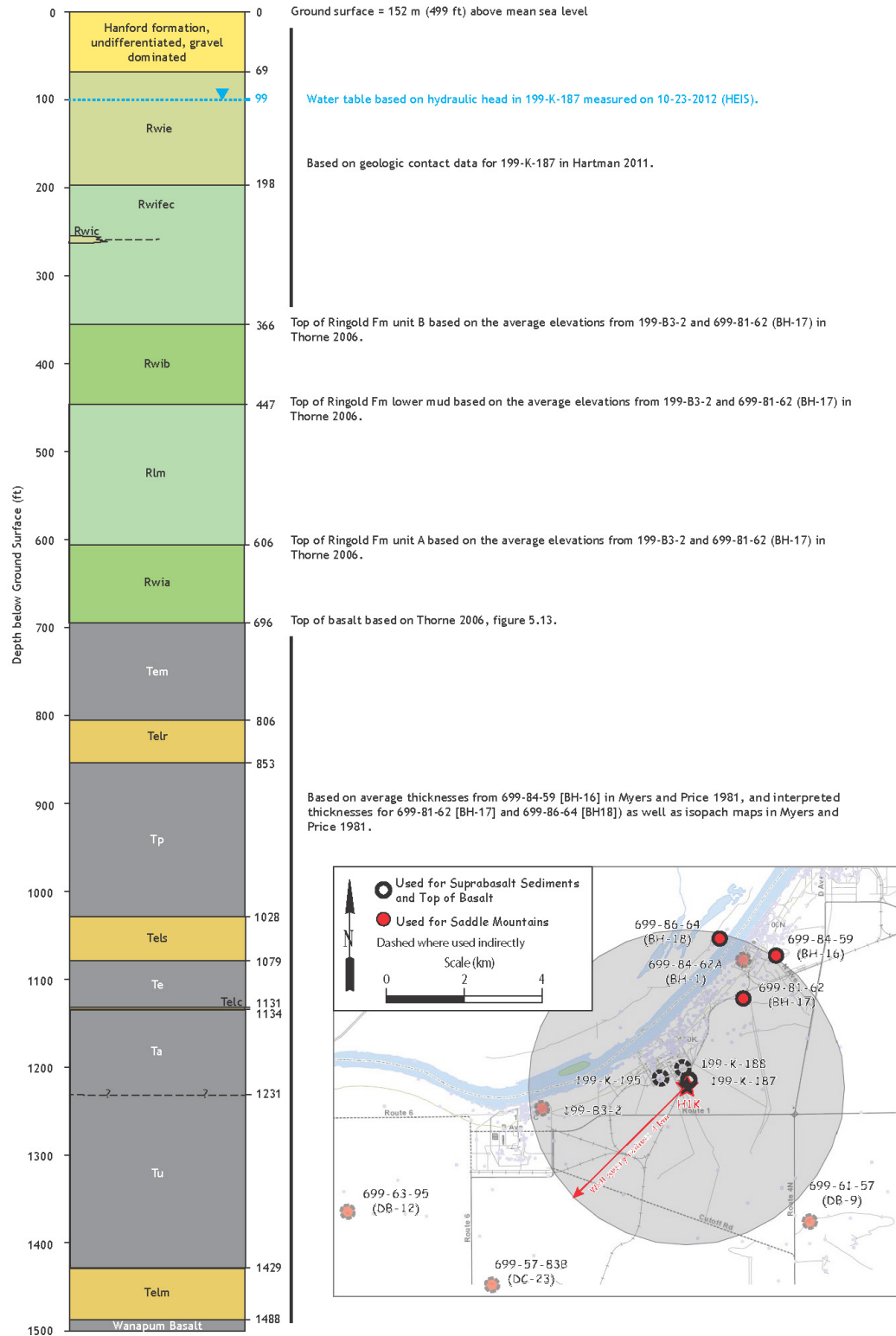


Plate 1a - General Deep Stratigraphy Beneath Seismometer Station H1K

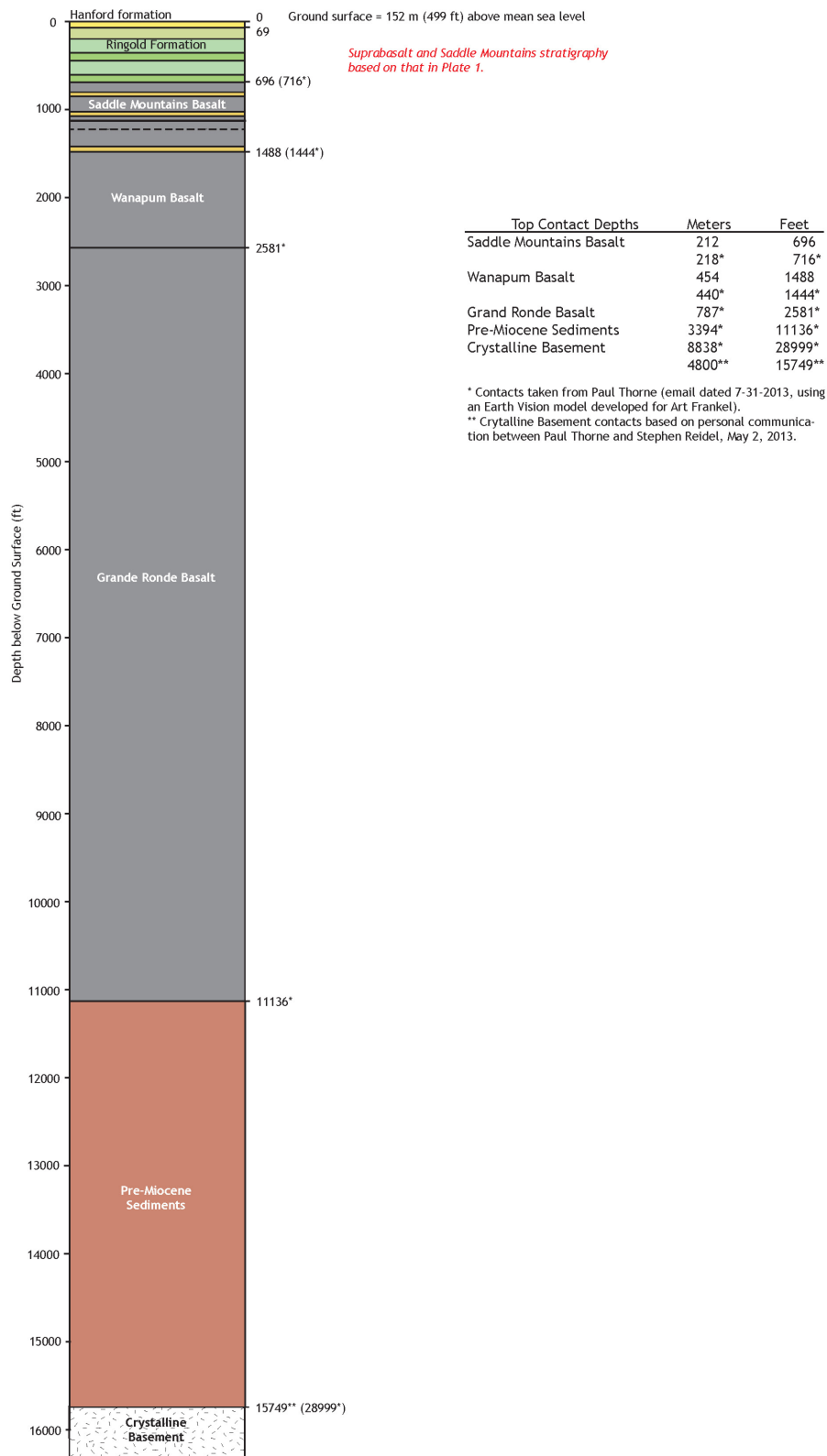
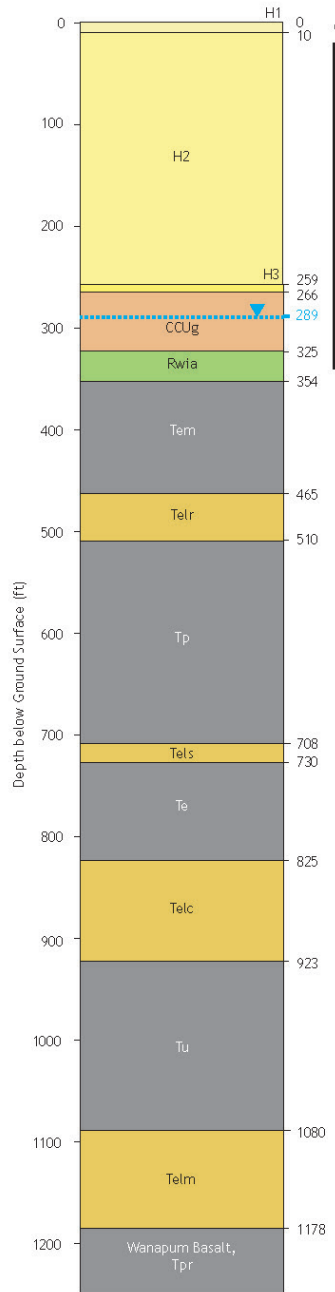


Plate 2 - General Stratigraphy Beneath Seismometer Station H2E
 (Based on wells 299-E28-1, 299-E28-3, 299-E28-22, 699-48-48 [DC-2], 699-52-52 [DB-5],
 C4993, C4996, C4997, and C4998)



Ground surface = 210 m [689 ft] above mean sea level

Based on structure contour maps from Last et al. 2009 (PNNL-18835). Geologic contact elevations were subtracted from the ground surface elevation for H2E to estimate the contact depths, converted to feet.

Water table based on hydraulic head in 299-E28-1 measured on 1/22/2013 (HE15).

Top of basalt based on the structure contour map in Last et al. 2009 (PNNL-18835 [Figure 7.1]) and the depth to basalt in 299-E28-22 as recorded in the Hanford geologic contacts database (dated 12/31/2010).

Based on average thicknesses from C4993, C4996, C4997, and C4998 (in Barnett et al. 2007).

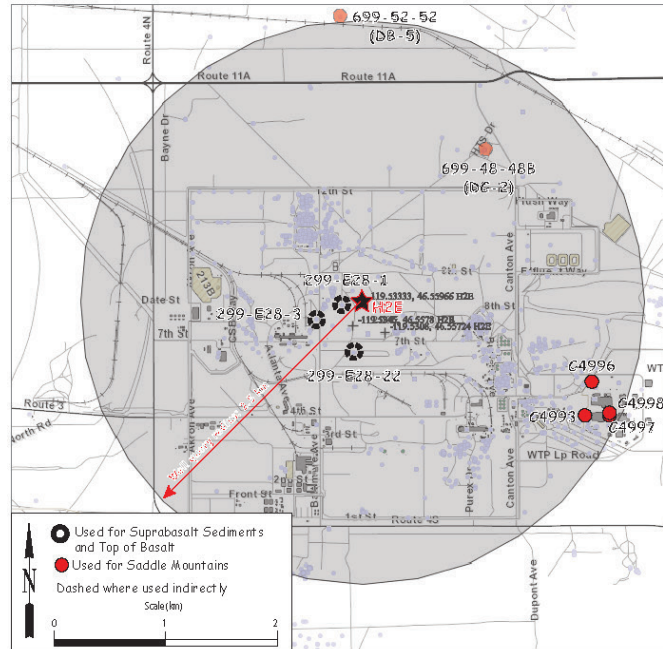


Plate 2a - General Deep Stratigraphy Beneath Seismometer Station H2E

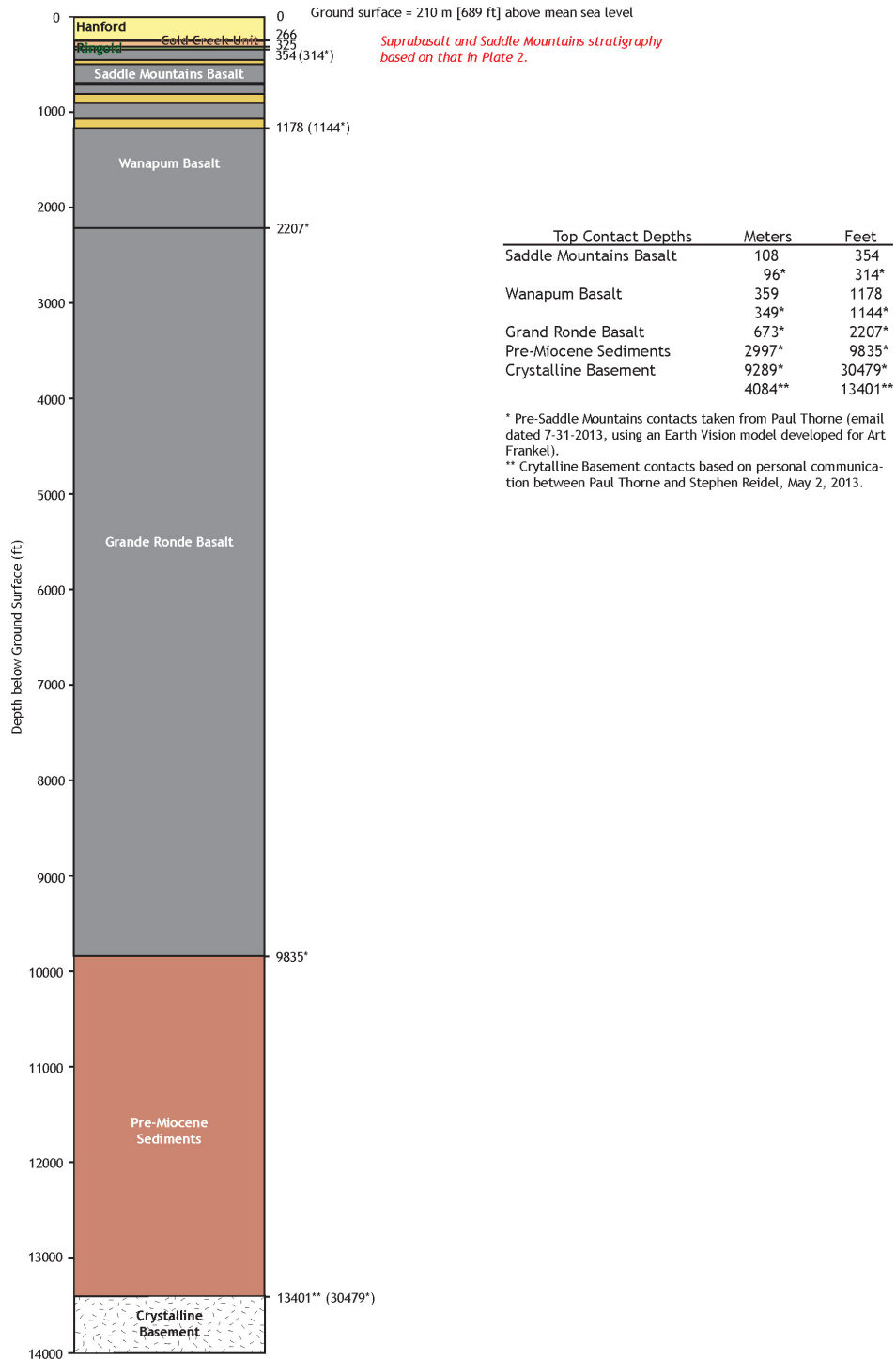


Plate 3 - General Stratigraphy Beneath Seismometer Station H2W
 (Based on wells 299-W15-14, 299-W15-20, 299-W15-23,
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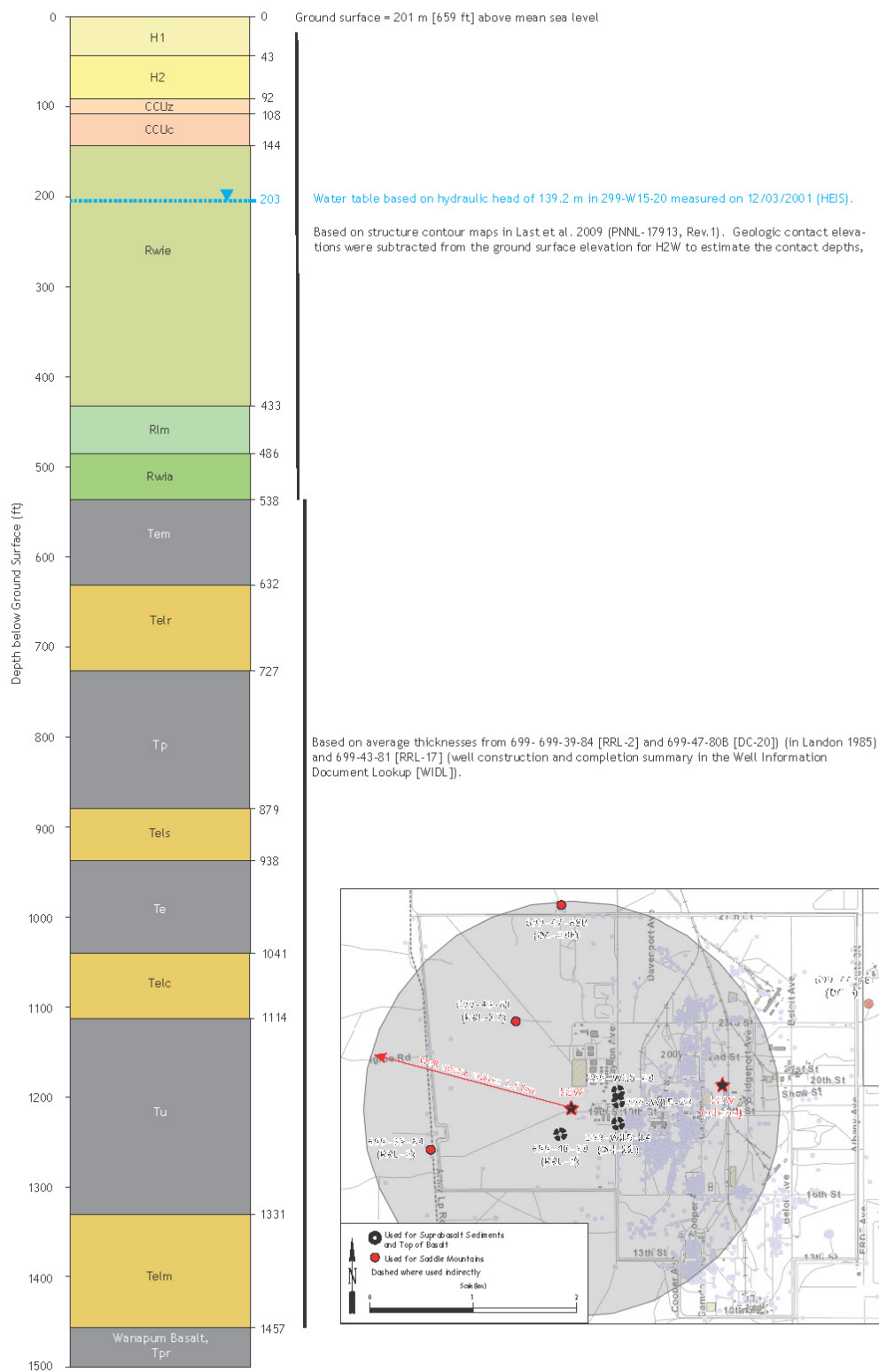


Plate 3a- General Deep Stratigraphy Beneath Seismometer Station H2W

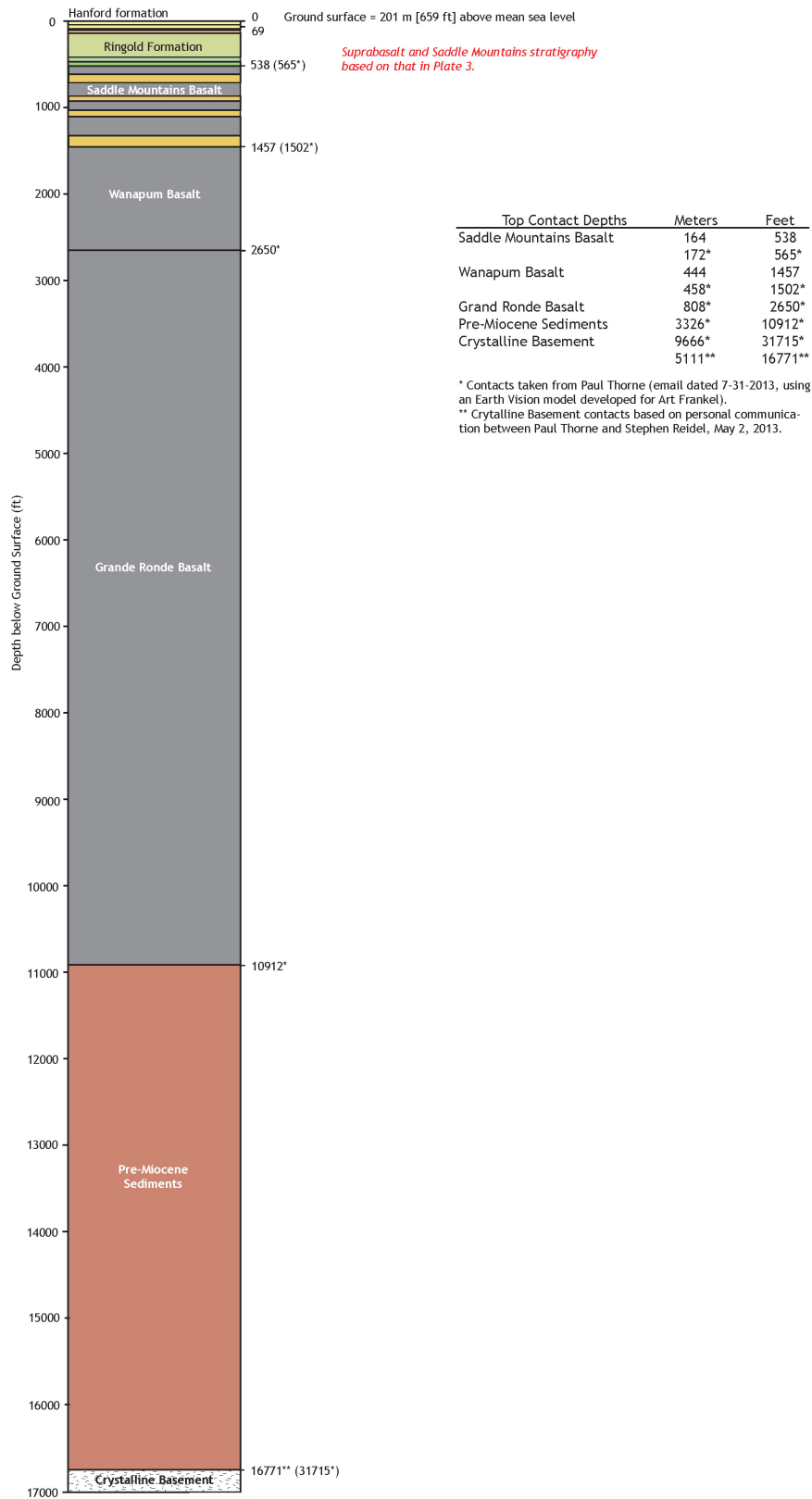


Plate 4 - General Stratigraphy Beneath Seismometer Station H3A
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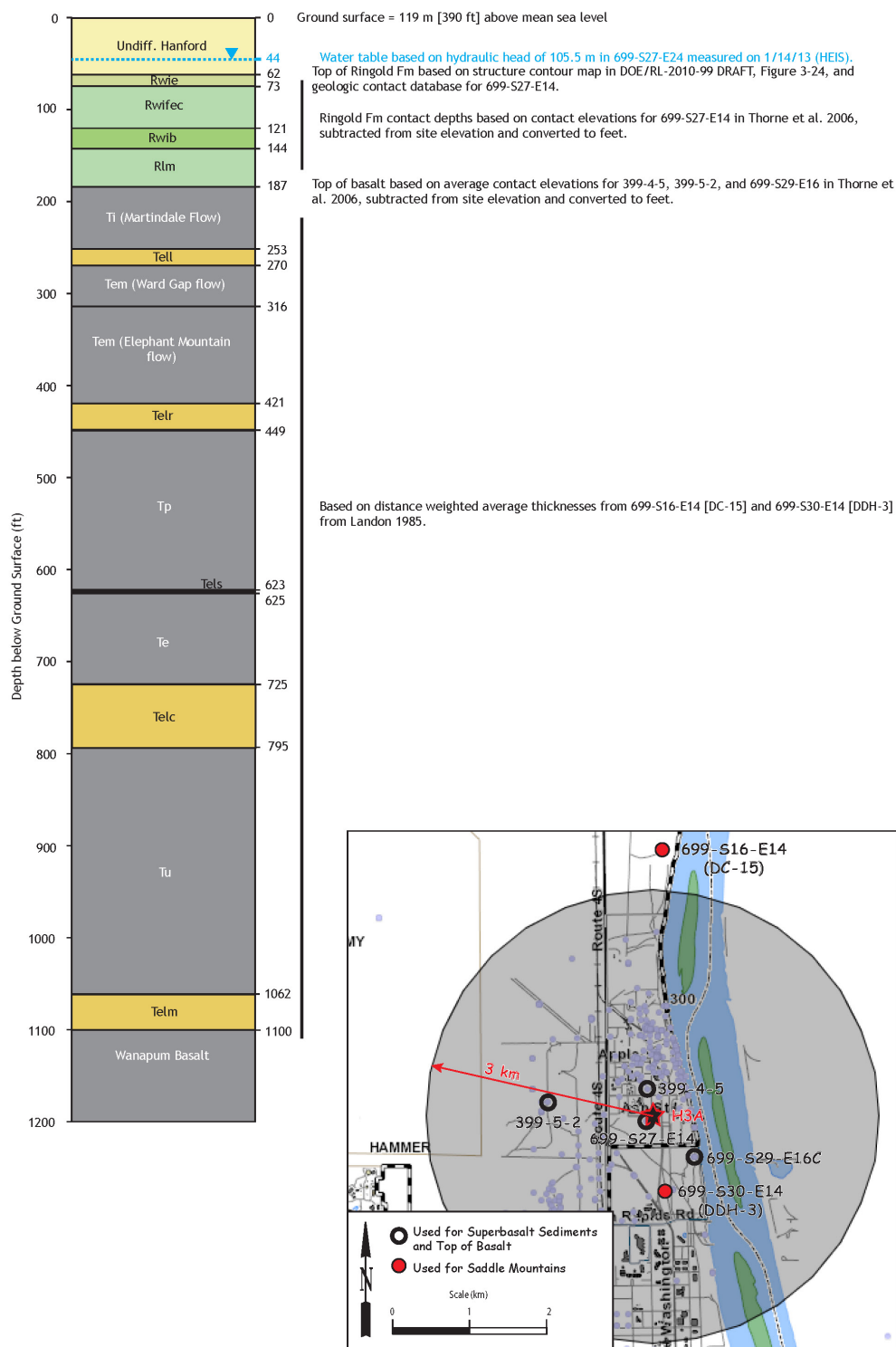
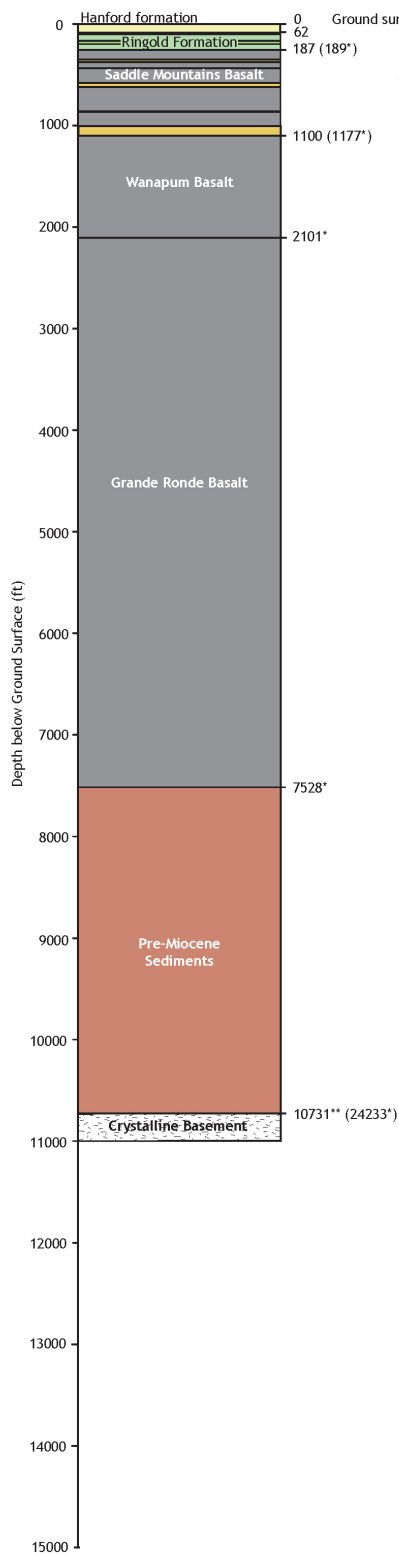


Plate 4a - General Deep Stratigraphy Beneath Seismometer Station H3A



Ground surface = 119 m [390 ft] above mean sea level

Suprabasalt and Saddle Mountains stratigraphy based on that in Plate 4.

Top Contact Depths	Meters	Feet
Saddle Mountains Basalt	57	187
	58*	189*
Wanapum Basalt	335	1100
	359*	1177*
Grand Ronde Basalt	640*	2101*
Pre-Miocene Sediments	2295*	7528*
Crystalline Basement	7386*	24233*
	3271**	10731**

* Contacts taken from Paul Thorne (email dated 7-31-2013, using an Earth Vision model developed for Art Frankel).

** Crystalline Basement contacts based on personal communication between Paul Thorne and Stephen Reidel, May 2, 2013.

Plate 5 - General Stratigraphy Beneath Seismometer Station H4A
(Based on wells 499-S1-7B and 499-S1-8H [FFTF #3])

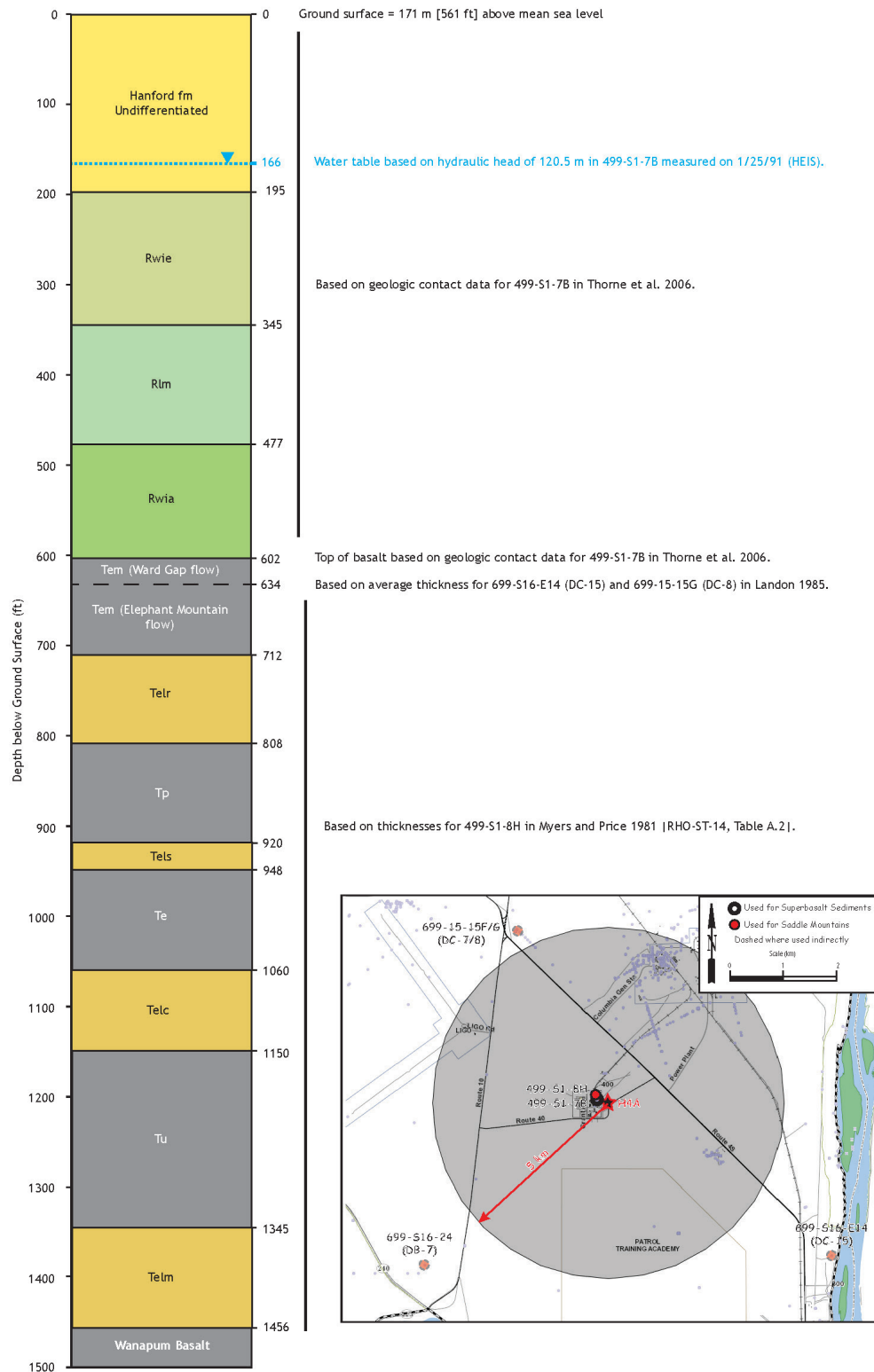


Plate 5a - General Deep Stratigraphy Beneath Seismometer Station H4A

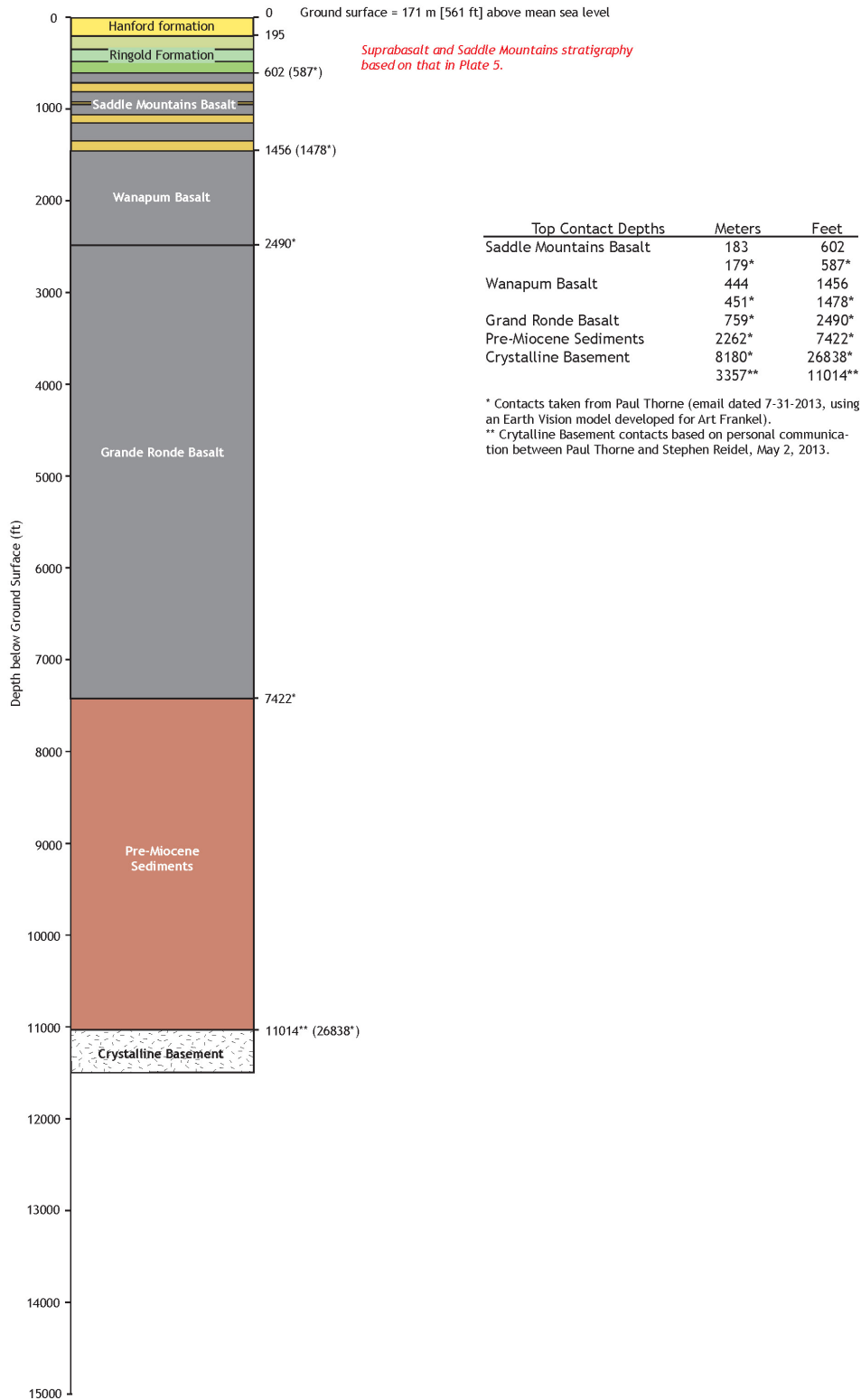


Plate 6 - General Stratigraphy Beneath Seismometer Station HAWA
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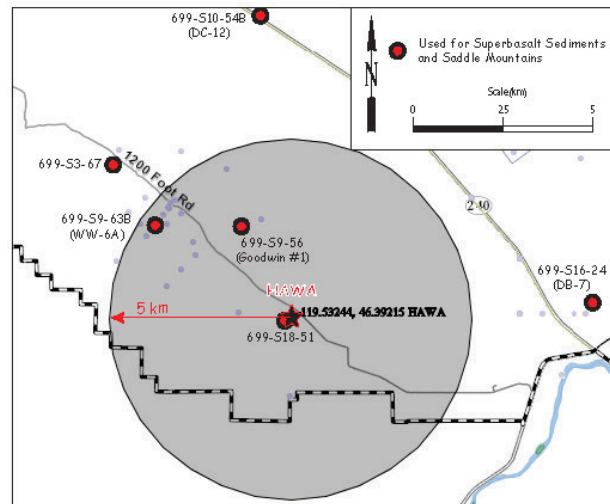
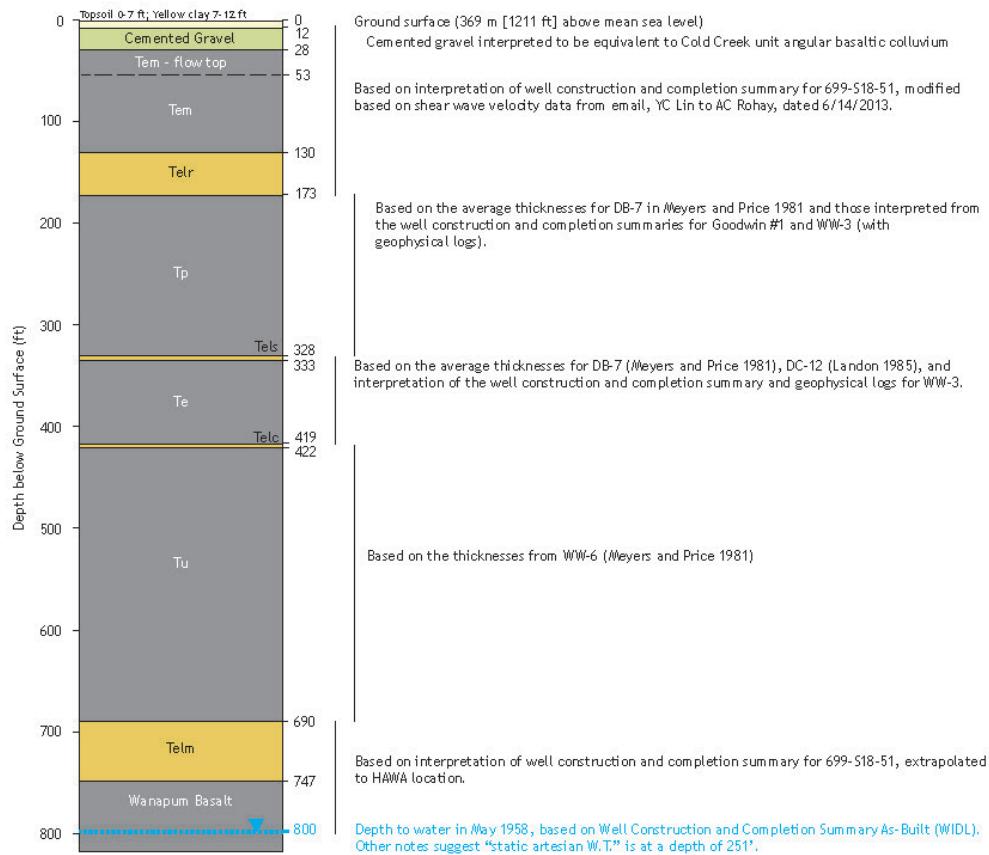


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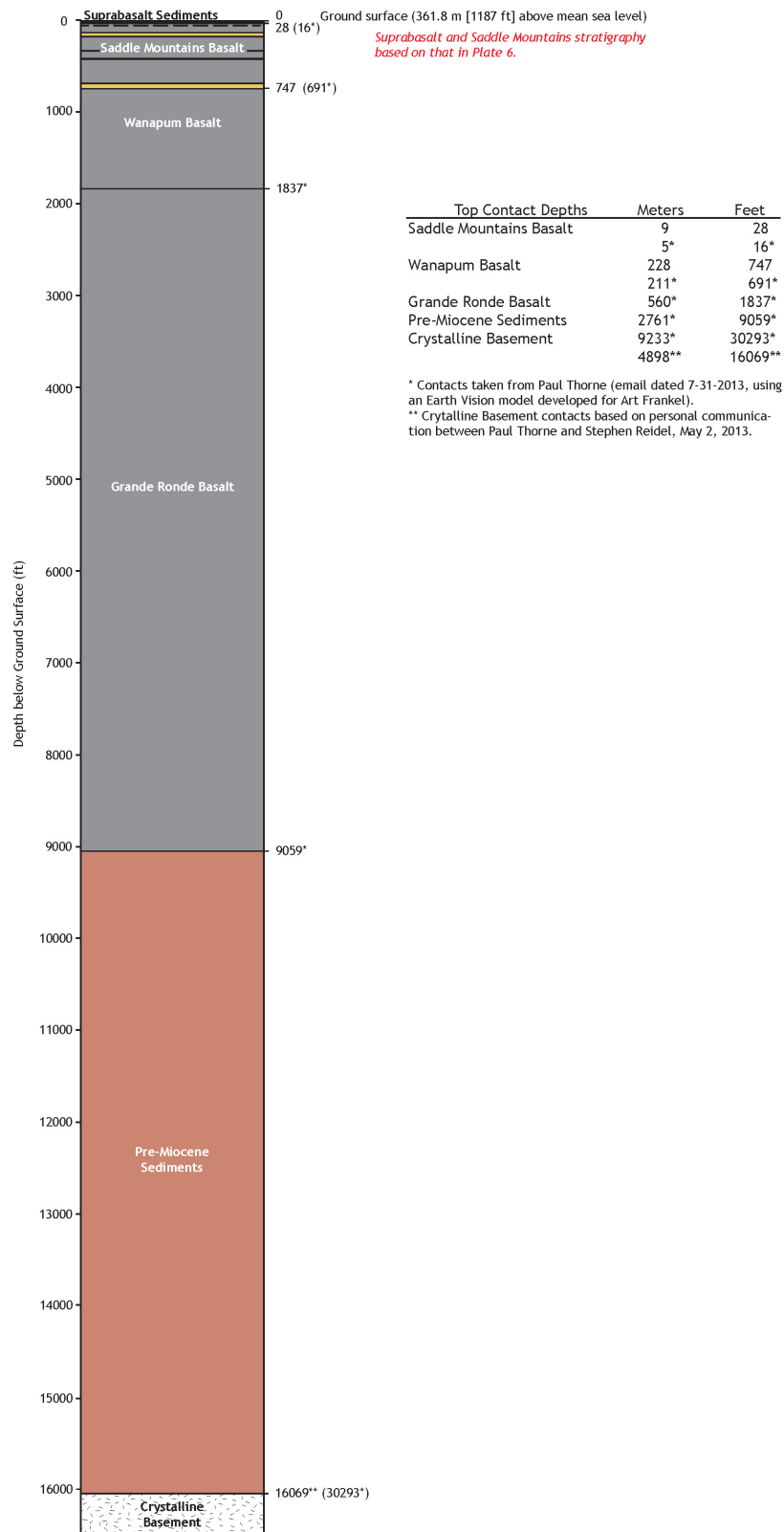
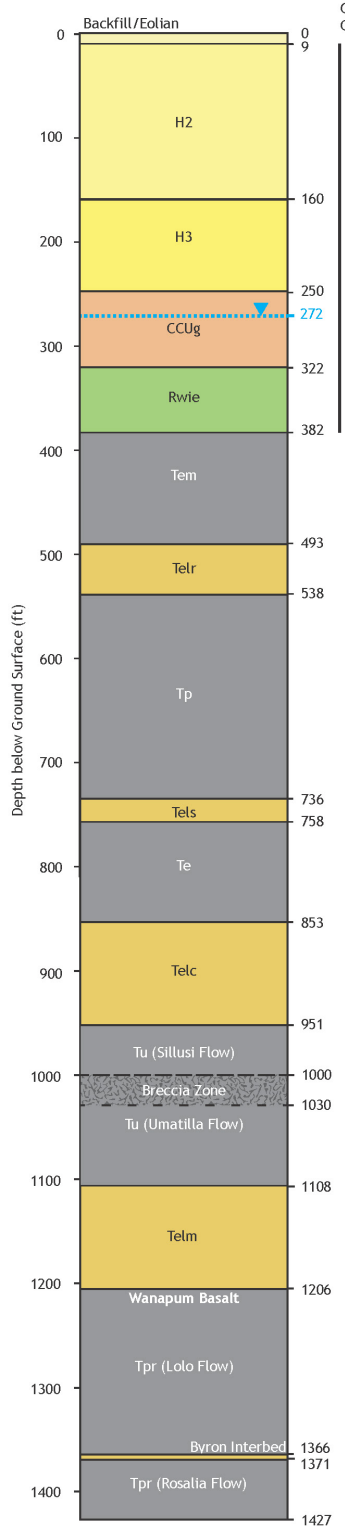


Plate 7 - General Stratigraphy Beneath Reference Location A1 (Waste Treatment Plant)
(Based on wells C4993, C4996, C4997, and C4998)



Ground surface = 206 m [677 ft] above mean sea level (based on surface elevations for boreholes C4997 and C4998 from Barnett et al. 2007 [PNNL-16407, Table 3.2])

Based on stratigraphic contacts for C4998 in Barnett et al. 2007 [Table 3.2].

Water table based on hydraulic head of 123.1 m in 299-E25-45 measured on 4/29/98 (HEIS).

Based on average thicknesses from C4993, C4996, C4997, and C4998 in Barnett et al. 2007 [Table 4.1]. Breakout of the Sillusi and Umatilla flows based on average thickness interpreted Barnett et al. 2007 [Table 4.2 and 4.3] and Rohay and Brouns 2007 [Figures 3.2-3.4].

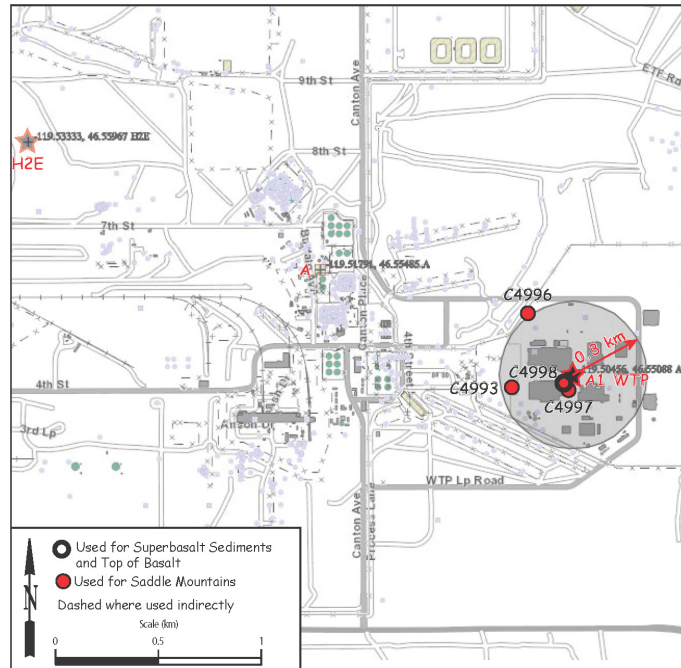
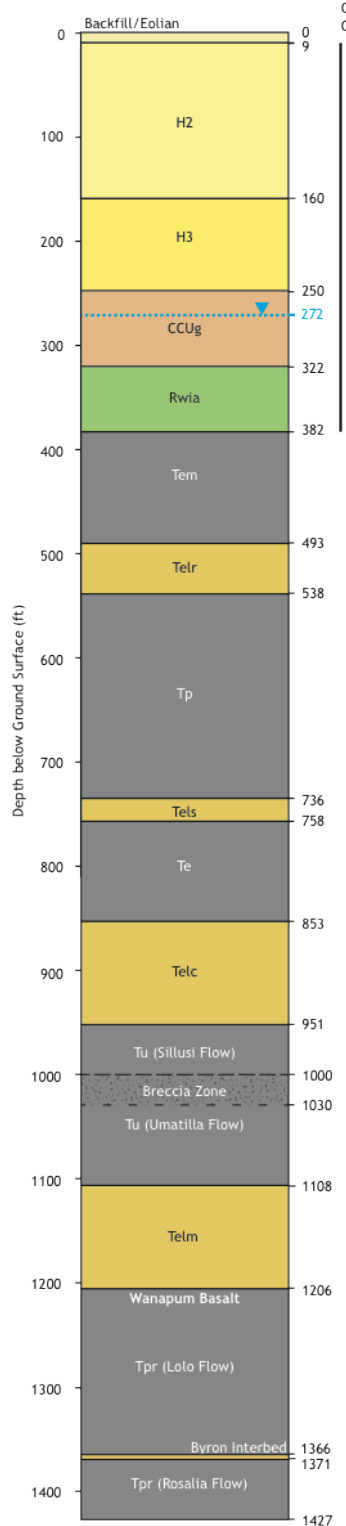


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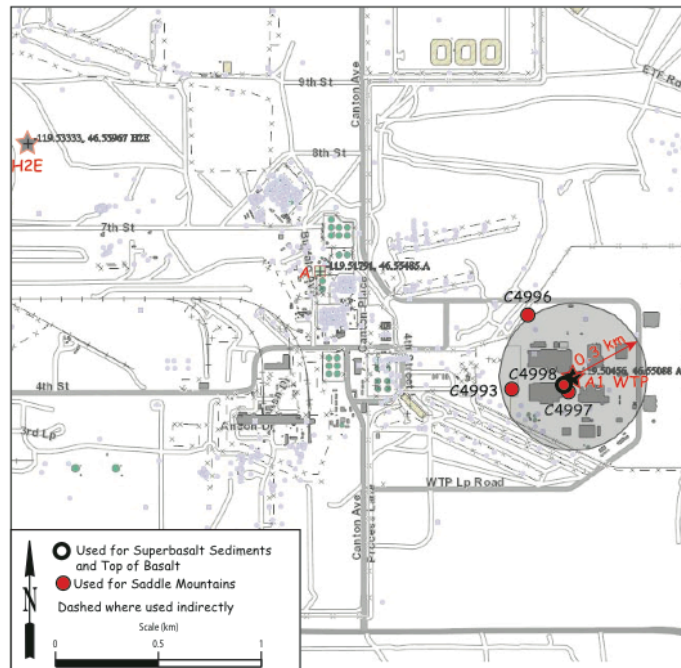
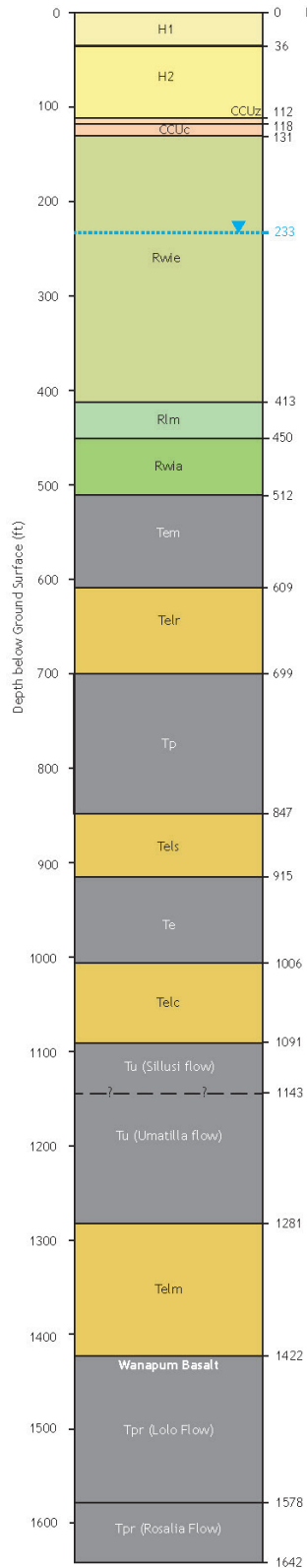


Plate 8 - General Stratigraphy Beneath Reference Location B (200 W) and Seismometer Station H2W1998

(Based on wells 299-W14-9, 299-W14-14, 299-W14-75, 299-W17-2; 699-43-81 [RRL-17], 699-44-70 [DC-3], and 699-47-80B [DC-20])



Estimated ground surface = 206 m [675 ft] above mean sea level

Based on structure contour maps in Last et al. 2009 (PNNL-17913, Rev.1). Geologic contact elevations were subtracted from the estimated ground surface elevation for Reference location B, to estimate the contact depths, converted to feet.

Water table based on hydraulic head of 135 m in 299-W14-9 measured on 8/20/02 (HEIS).

Based on average thicknesses from 699-44-70 [DC-3] and 699-47-80B [DC-20] in Landon (1985) and the contacts for 699-43-81 [RRL-17] from the Well Construction and Completion Summary in the Well Information Document Lookup [WIDL]). Note that the Sillusi and Umatilla flows were only broken out in 699-44-70 [DC-3] in Landon (1985), 699-47-80B [DC-20] and 699-43-81 [RRL-17] treat this as "one massive cooling unit" as characterized by Reidel (1998).

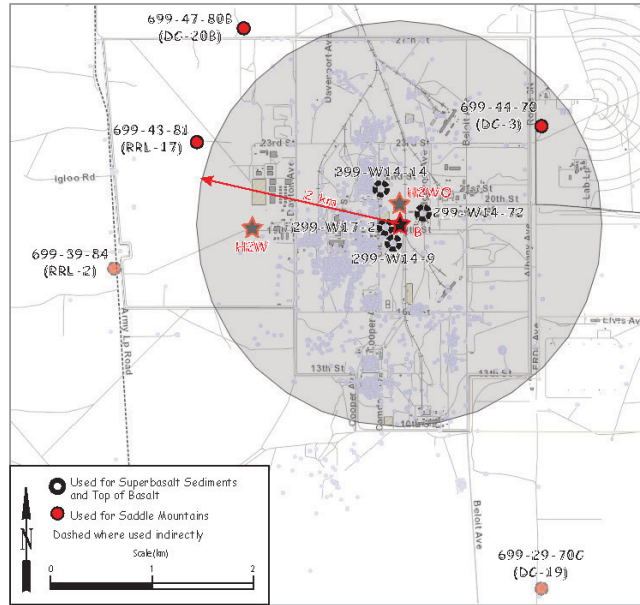


Plate 8a - General Deep Stratigraphy Beneath Seismometer Location B (200 W)

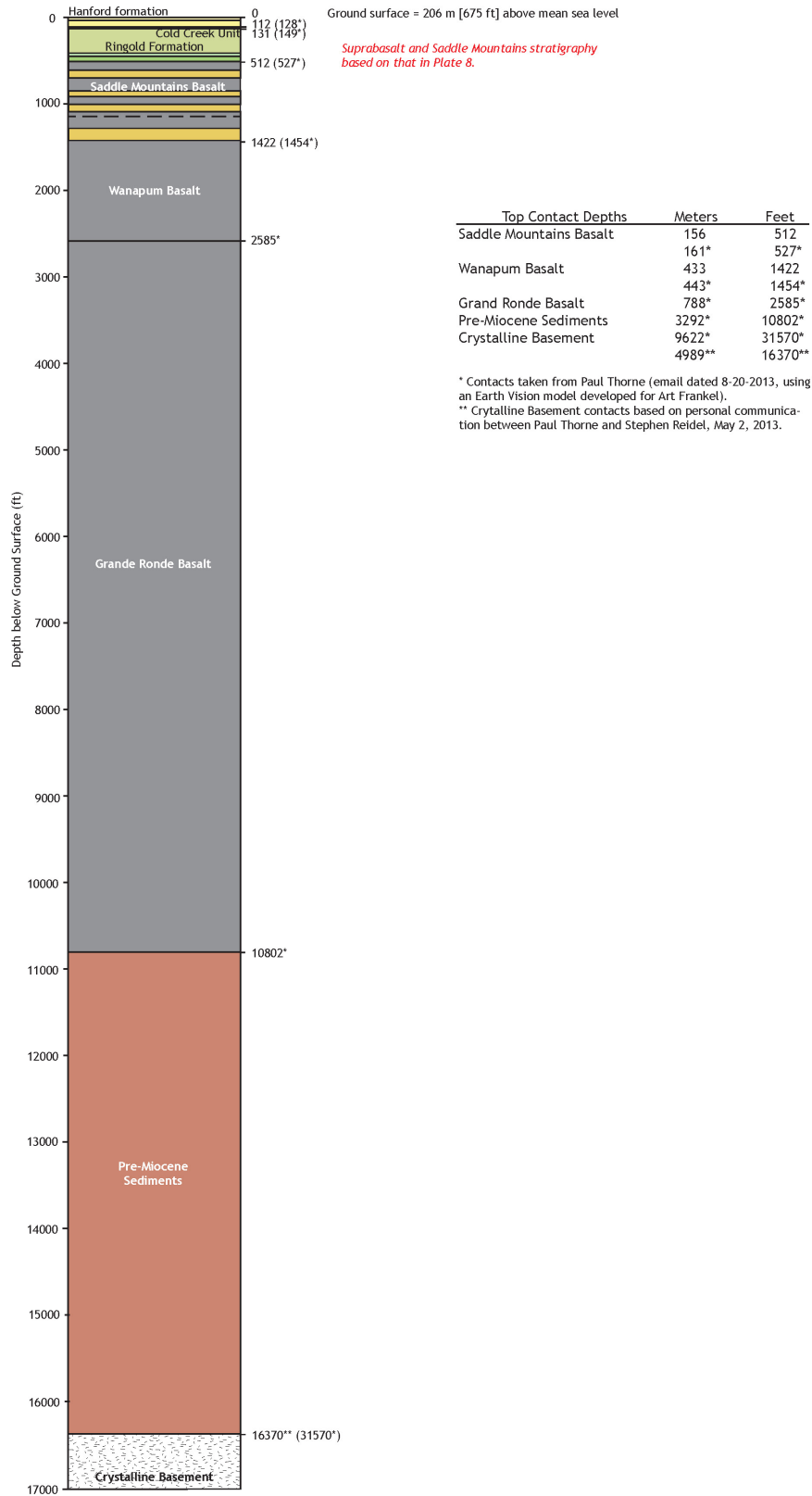
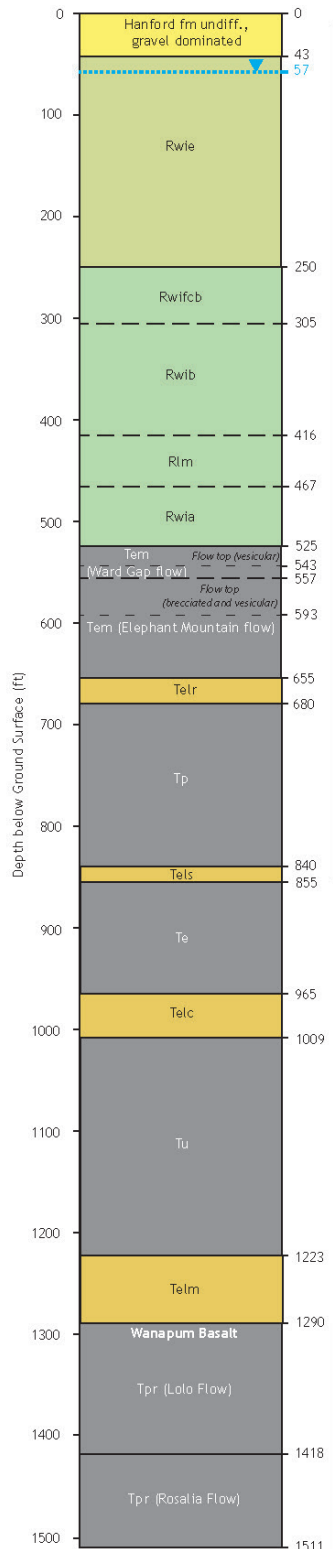


Plate 9 - General Stratigraphy Beneath Reference Location C (Columbia Generating Station)

(Based on Bechtel 2013 and wells 499-S1-8H [FFTF #3], 699-2-E14 [DB-1], 699-15-E13 [DB-2] and 699-15-15G [DC-8])



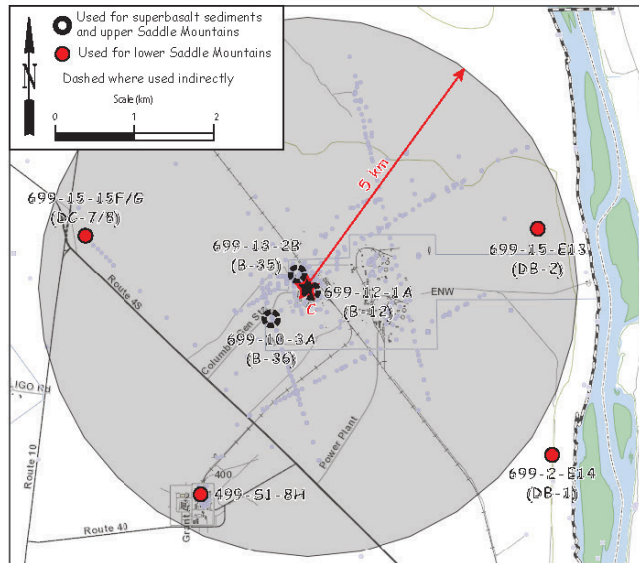
Plant grade = 441 ft above mean sea level (Bechtel, 2013)

Water table based on hydraulic head of 117 m in 699-13-2D measured on 1/18/13 (HEIS).

Based on the stratigraphy in Bechtel 2013 [Assessment of Dynamic Geotechnical Data for the Columbia Generating Station Site]. Additional detail for the lower portion of Ringold Formation is based on stratigraphic contacts for 699-12-1A (B-12) in Thorne et al. (2006).

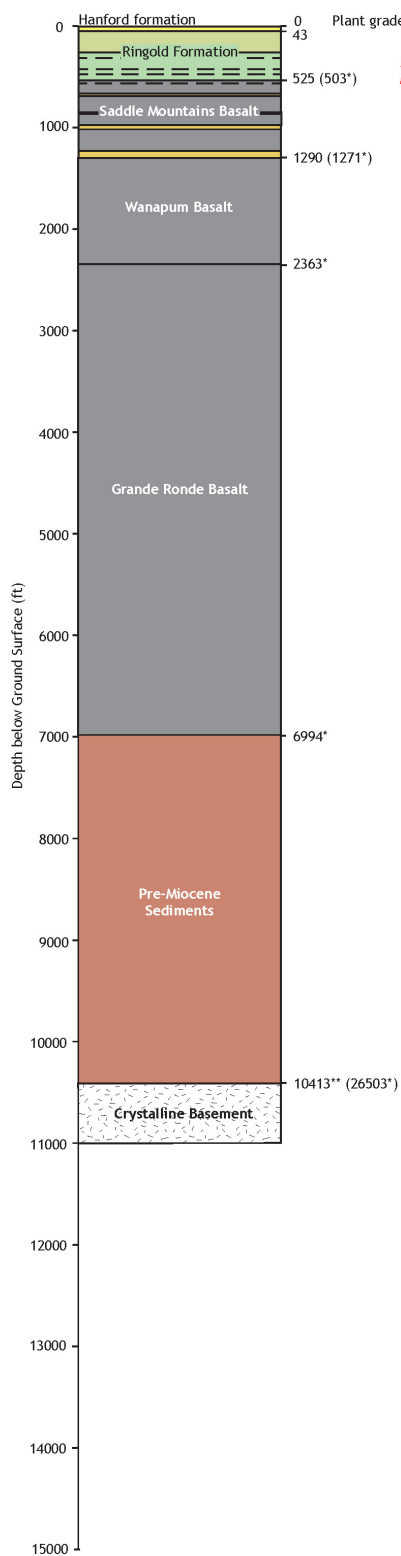
Additional detail for the Elephant Mountain member is based on average thicknesses in boreholes 699-S16-E14 (DC-15) and 699-15-15G (DC-8) in Landon 1985.

Based on the average thicknesses for 499-S1-8H (FFTF), 699-2-E14 (DB-1), and 699-15-E13 (DB-2) in Myers and Price 1981 [RHO-ST-14, Table A-2], and 699-15-15G (DC-8) in Landon et al. 1985. Note that separate flows of the Umatilla member are not called out - instead, it is treated this as "one massive cooling unit" as characterized by Riedel (1998).



Based on flow thicknesses from 699-15-15G (DC-8) taken from Landon et al. 1985.

Plate 9a - General Deep Stratigraphy Beneath eference Location C (Columbia Generating Station)



Plant grade = 441 ft above mean sea level (Bechtel, 2013)

Suprabasalt and Saddle Mountains stratigraphy based on that in Plate 9.

Top Contact Depths	Meters	Feet
Saddle Mountains Basalt	160	525
	153*	503*
Wanapum Basalt	393	1290
	387*	1271*
Grand Ronde Basalt	720*	2363*
Pre-Miocene Sediments	2132*	6994*
Crystalline Basement	8078*	26503*
	3174**	11413**

* Contacts taken from Paul Thorne (email dated 8-13-2013, using an Earth Vision model developed for Art Frankel).

** Crystalline Basement contacts based on personal communication between Paul Thorne and Stephen Reidel, May 2, 2013.

Plate 10 - General Stratigraphy Beneath Reference Location D (105-B)
 (Based on wells 199-B3-2, 199-B3-50, 199-B4-3, 199-B4-8, 199-B4-9, 199-B5-6, 199-B8-9, 699-86-64 [BH18], 699-57-83B [DC-23], 699-61-57 [DB-9], 699-63-95 [DB-12], 699-84-59 [BH-16], 699-81-62 [BH-17], and 699-45-85B [DC-4])

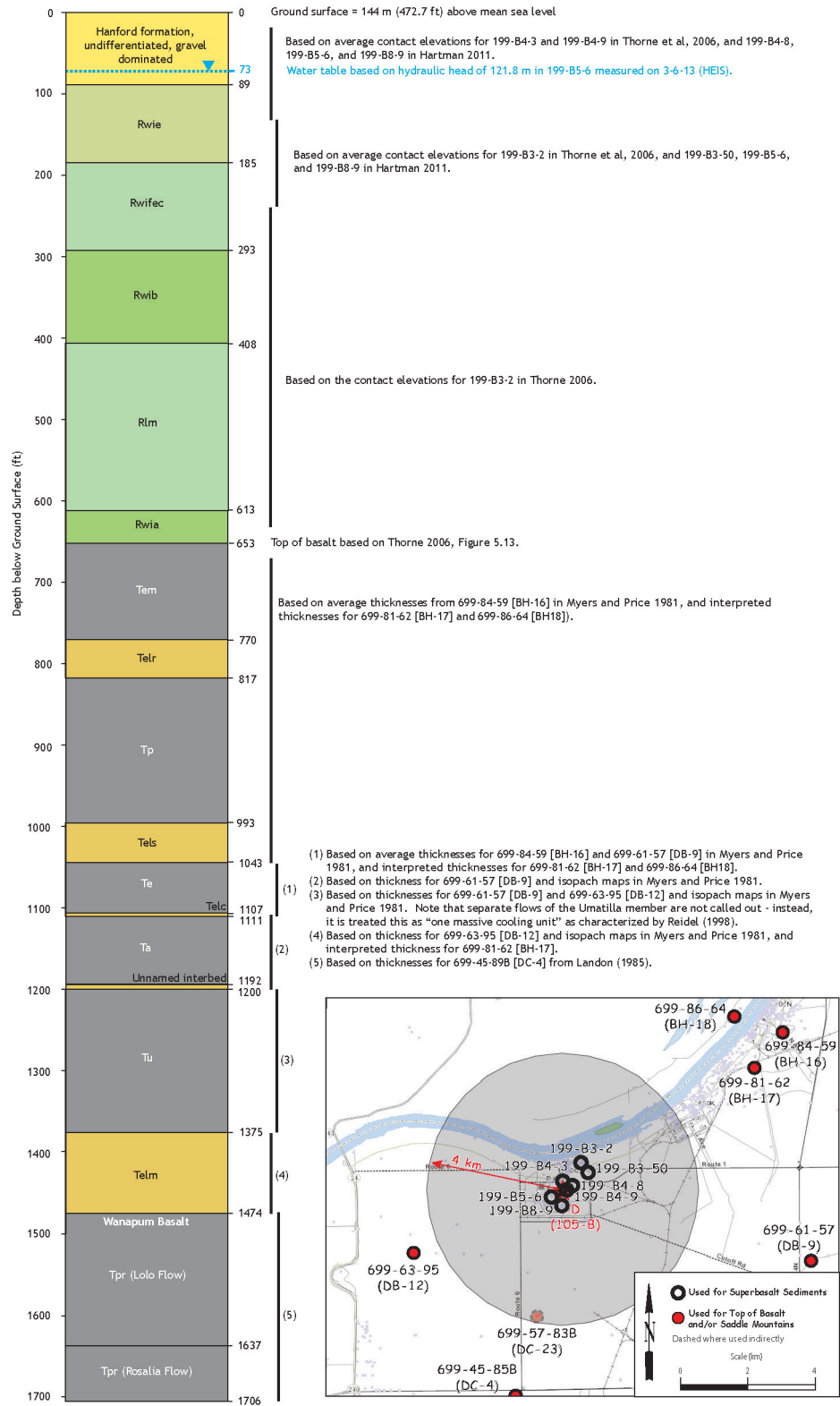


Plate 10a - General Deep Stratigraphy Beneath Reference Location D (105-B)

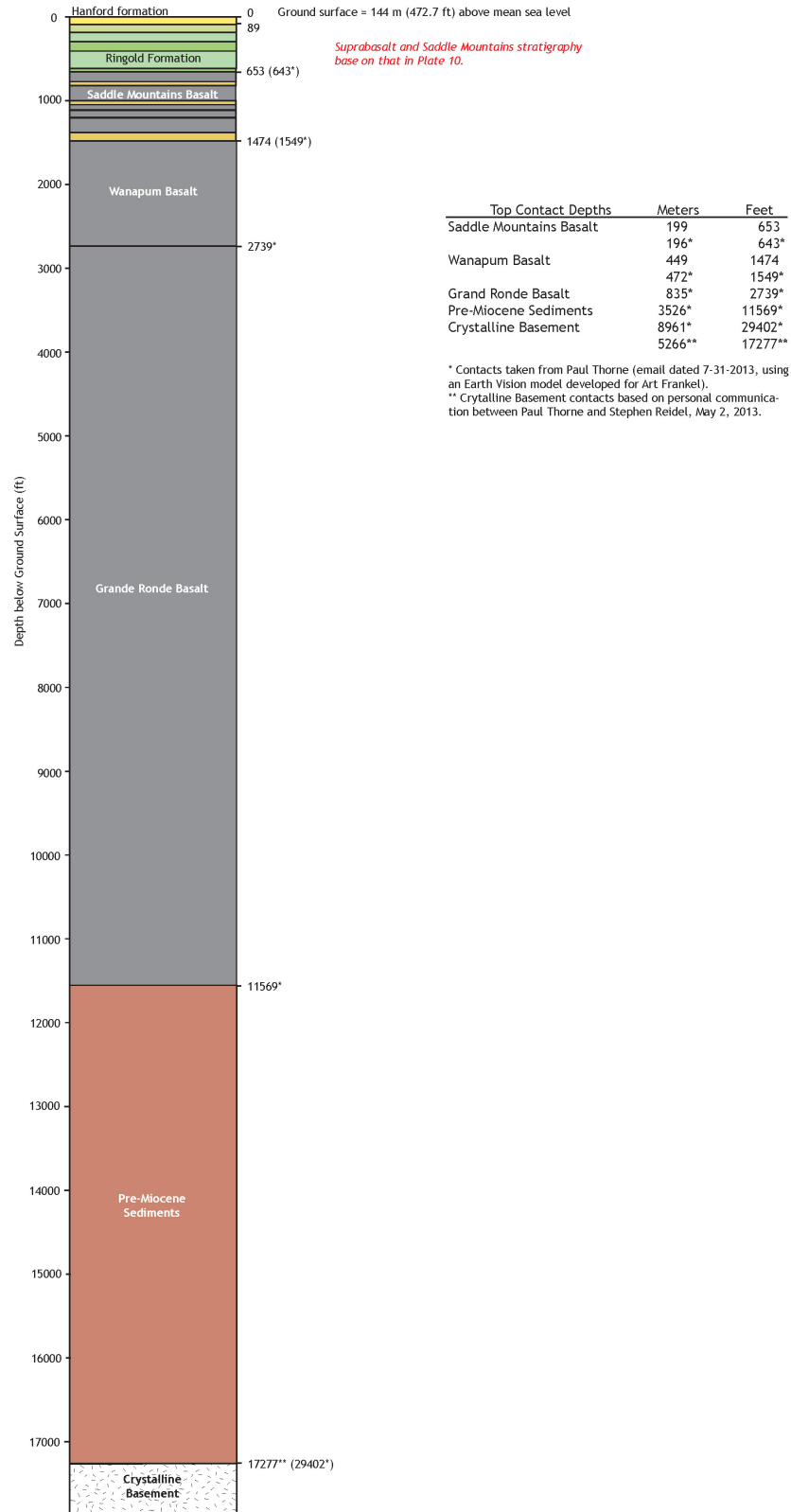
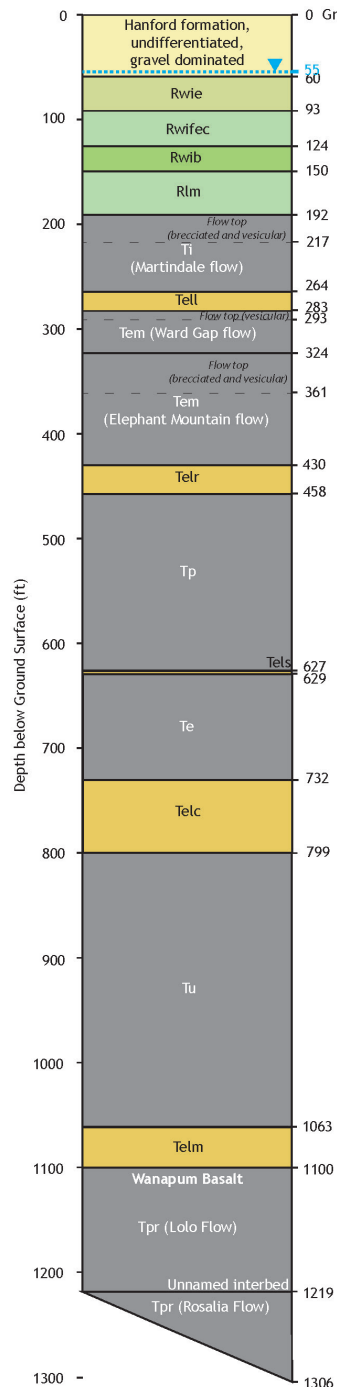


Plate 11 - General Stratigraphy Beneath Reference Location E (300 Area)

(Based on wells 399-2-25, 399-3-3, 399-4-5, 399-5-2, 399-8-5C, 699-S16-E14 [DC-15], 699-S29-E16, and 699-S30-E14 [DDH-3])



0 Ground surface = 121.6 m [399 ft] above mean sea level, based on elevation of 399-3-3 in WIDL

Water table based on hydraulic head of 105 m in 399-4-11 measured on 2-25-13. (HEIS).

Ringold Fm contact depths based on average contact elevations for 399-3-3 and 399-4-5 in Thorne et al. 2006, subtracted from site elevation and converted to feet.

Top of basalt based on contact elevation for 399-4-5 in Thorne et al. 2006, subtracted from site elevation and converted to feet.

Based on distance weighted average thicknesses from 699-S16-E14 [DC-15] and 699-S30-E14 [DDH-3] from Landon 1985. Note that separate flows of the Umatilla member are not called out - instead, it is treated this as "one massive cooling unit" as characterized by Reidel (1998). Note also, that Landon (1985) indicates that the Rosalia flow of the Priest Rapids member is not present beneath 699-S30-E14 [DDH-3].

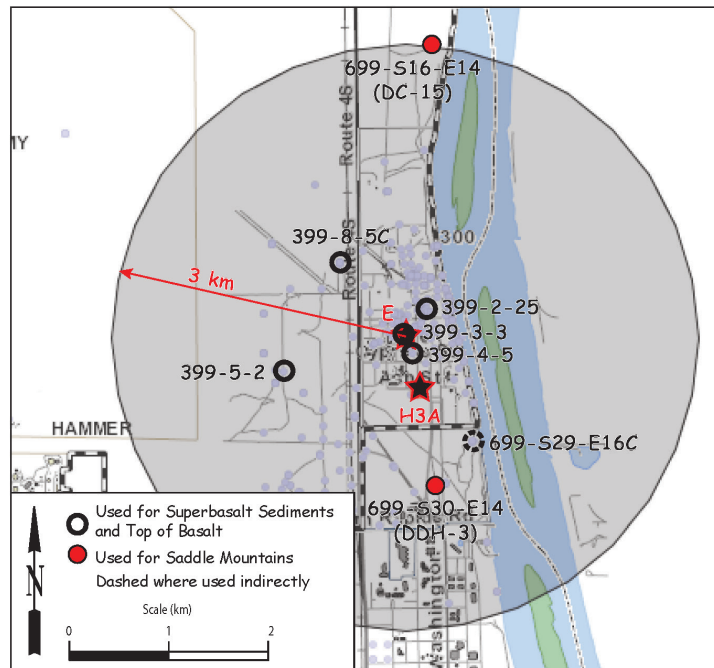


Plate 11a - General Deep Stratigraphy Beneath Seismometer Reference Location E (300 Area)

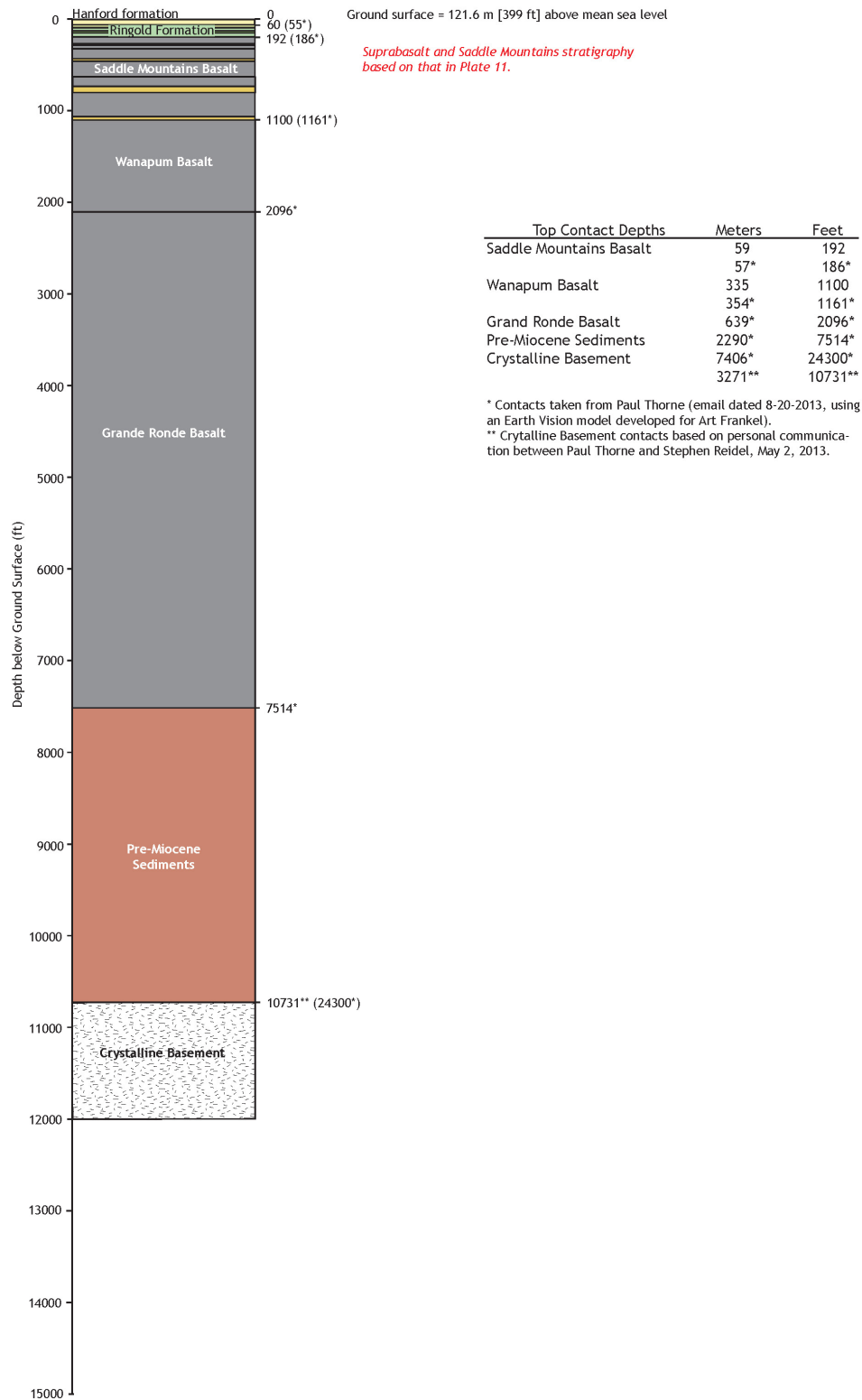


Plate 12 - General Stratigraphy Beneath Seismometer Station CCRK
 (Based on the Three-Dimensional Hydrogeologic Framework Model of Columbia Plateau Regional Aquifer System
 Geologic Framework Mapper web interface (Burns et al. 2010), Well logs for WADOE Well ID 138747, and 699-49-100A [DB-11])

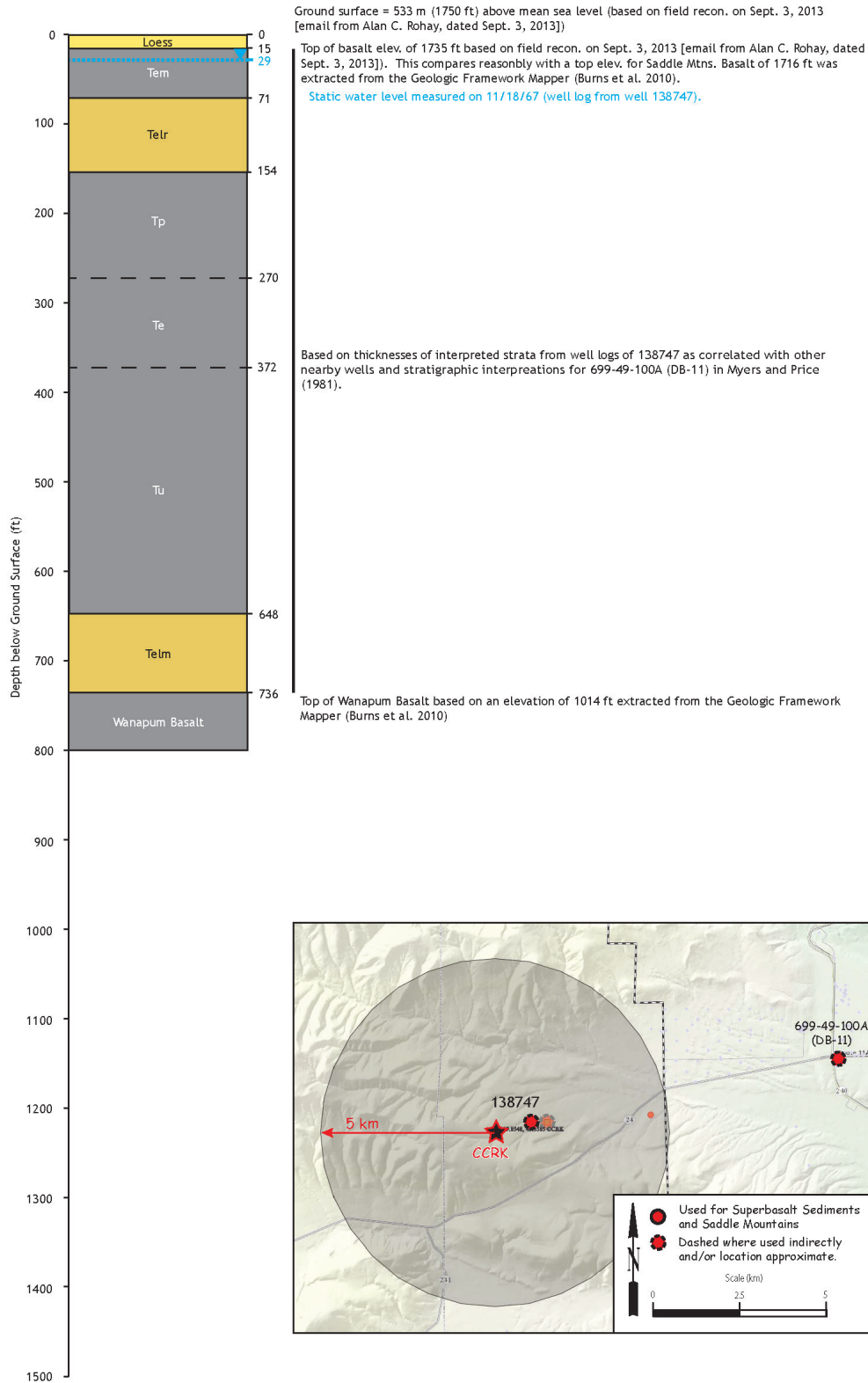


Plate 13 - General Stratigraphy Beneath Seismometer Station DDRF (Didier Farm)
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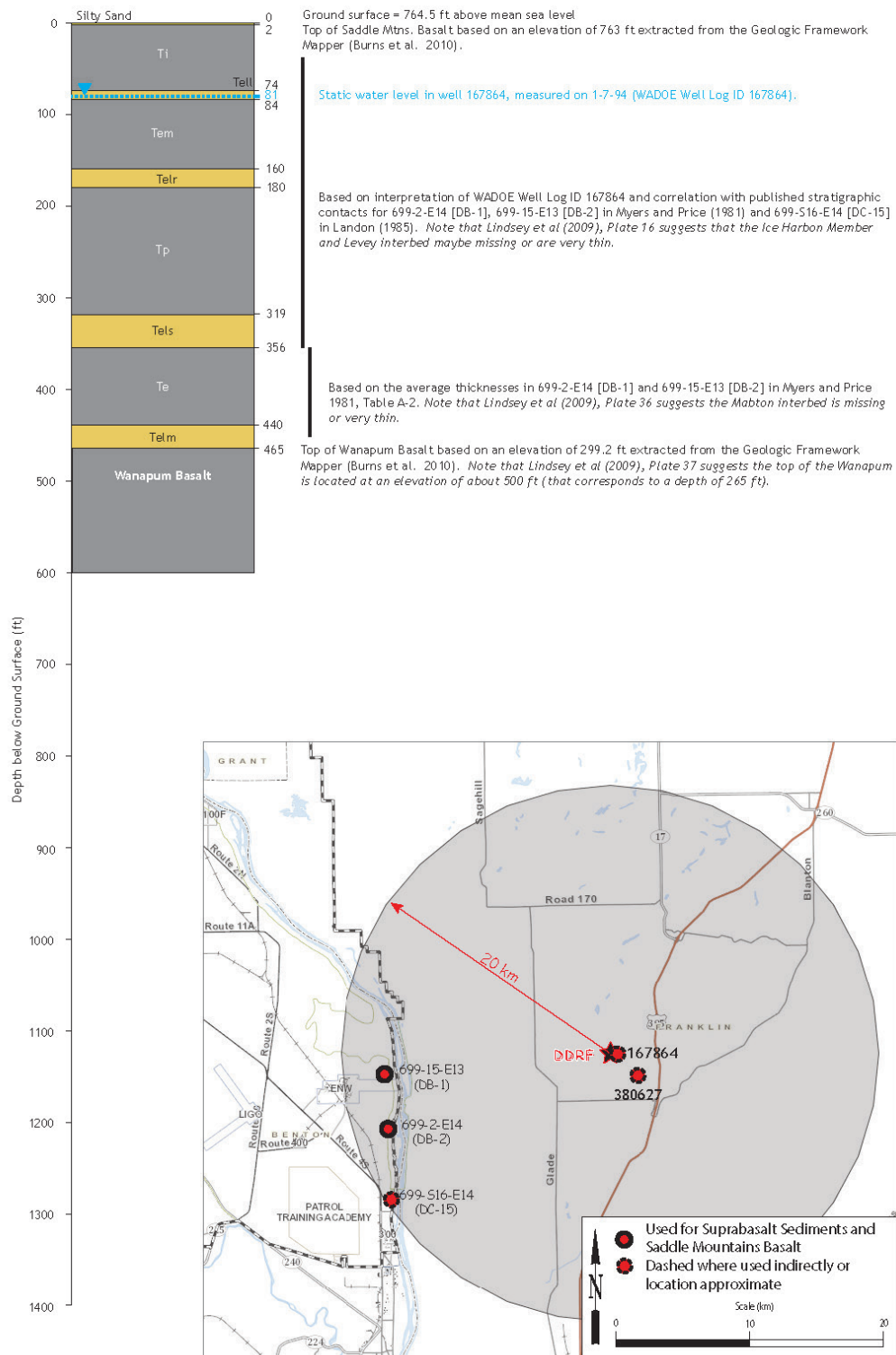


Plate 14 - General Stratigraphy Beneath Seismometer Station FHE (Frenchman Hills East)
 (Based on WADOE Well Log ID 454842 and the Three-Dimensional Hydrogeologic Framework Model of Columbia Plateau Regional Aquifer System, Geologic Framework Mapper [Burns et al. 2012])

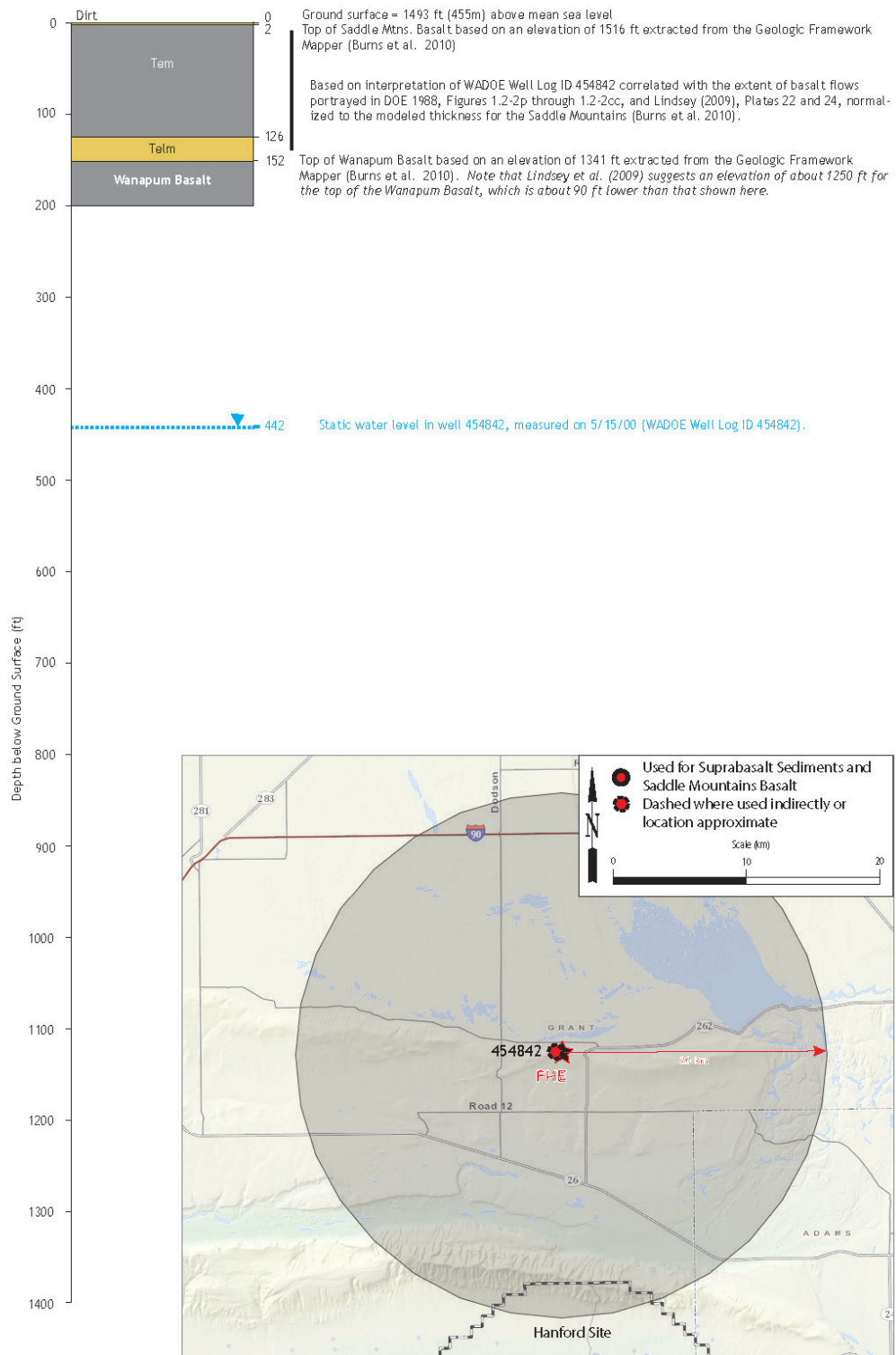


Plate 15 - General Stratigraphy Beneath Seismometer Station PHIN (Phinney Hill)
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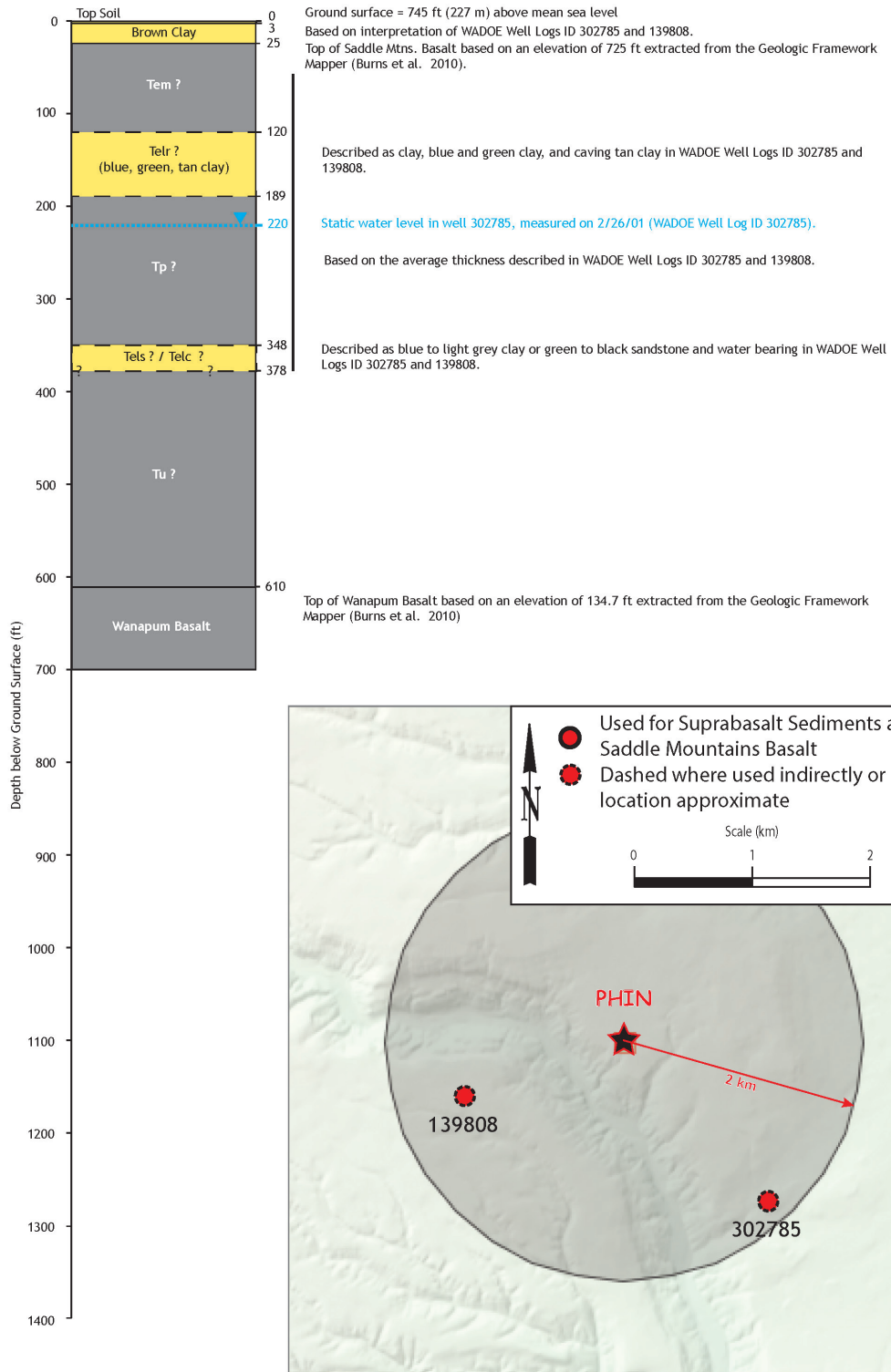
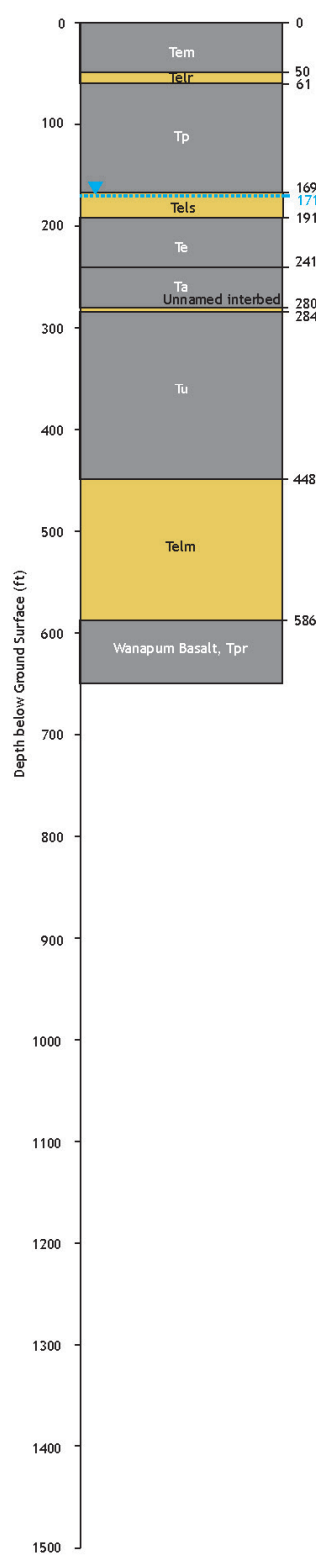


Plate 16 - General Stratigraphy Beneath Seismometer GBB (Gable Butte)
(Based on wells 699-61-57 [DB-9] and 699-63-95 [DB-12])



Ground surface = 185 m (607 ft) above mean sea level
Top of basalt based on Myers and Price, 1981, Sheet 4, showing the Elephant Mountain Member (Tem) at the ground surface. Fecht (1978 [RHO-BWI-LD-5]) suggests that the Elephant Mountain member is 25 m (82 ft) thick, while the Rattlesnake Ridge interbed varies from 1.5 to 5.4 meters (4.9 to 17.7 ft). Rohay and Reidel (2005) indicate that the lava flows typically thin onto anticlinal ridges such as Gable Butte. Their isopack maps suggest that the Elephant Mountain member near the GBB station may be about 50 ft thick and that the Rattlesnake Ridge interbed may be missing altogether. Neither DB-9 nor DB-12 encountered the Elephant Mountain member or Rattlesnake Ridge interbed.

Based on average thickness in 699-61-57 [DB-9] and 699-63-95 [DB-12] taken from Myers and Price 1981, Table A-2.

Water level based on hydraulic head of 132.8 m (435.7 ft) measured in well 699-59-80B on 3/05/2013 (HEIS).

Based on thickness in 699-61-57 [DB-9] taken from Myers and Price 1981, Table A-2. Note that the Esquatzel member, Cold Creek interbed, Asotin member and unnamed interbed were not encountered in 699-63-95 [DB-12].

Based on the thickness in 699-63-95 [DB-12] taken from Myers and Price 1981, Table A-2.

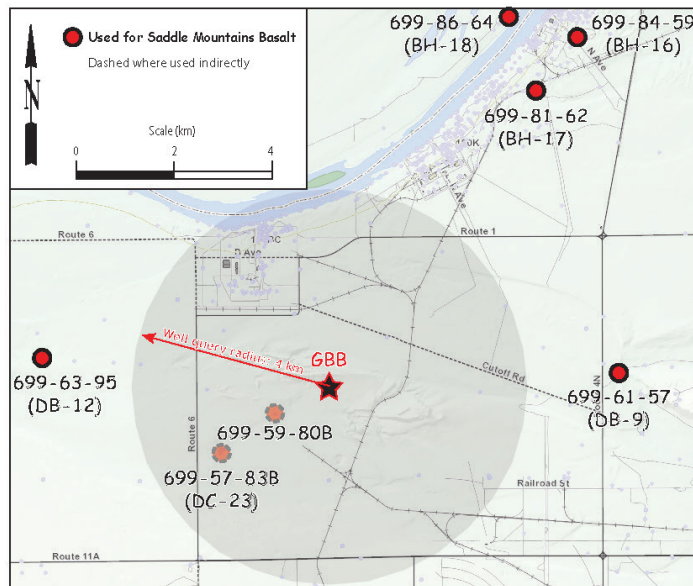


Plate 17 - General Stratigraphy Beneath Seismometer Stations WIA/WIB

(Based wells 699-S16-E14 [DC-15], 699-S11-E12A & B, and 699-S6-E14A)

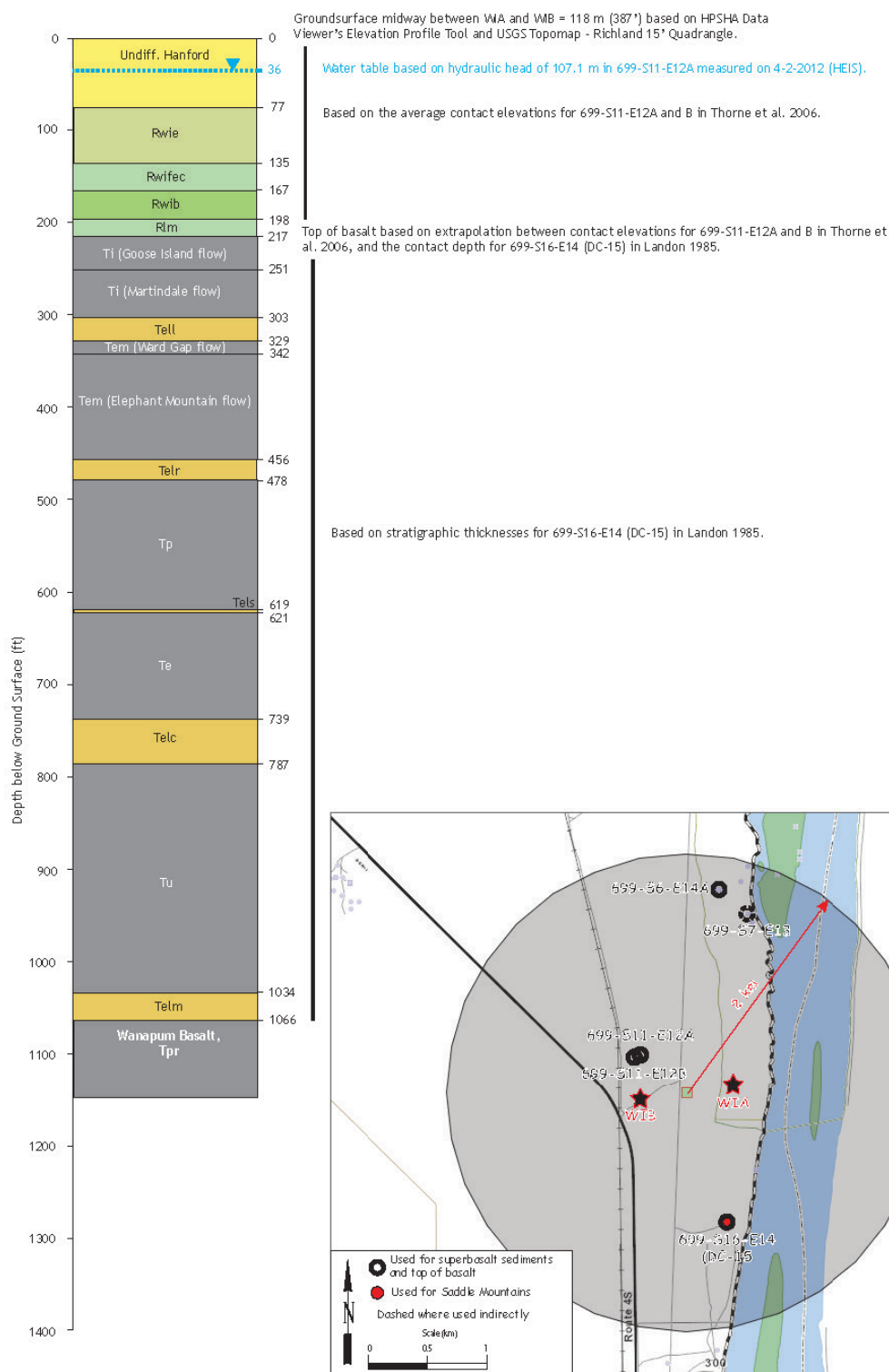


Plate 18 - General Stratigraphy Beneath Seismometer Station WIXX
(Based on wells 399-1-18B&C, 699-S19-E13, 699-S19-E14, and 699-S16-E14 [DC-15])

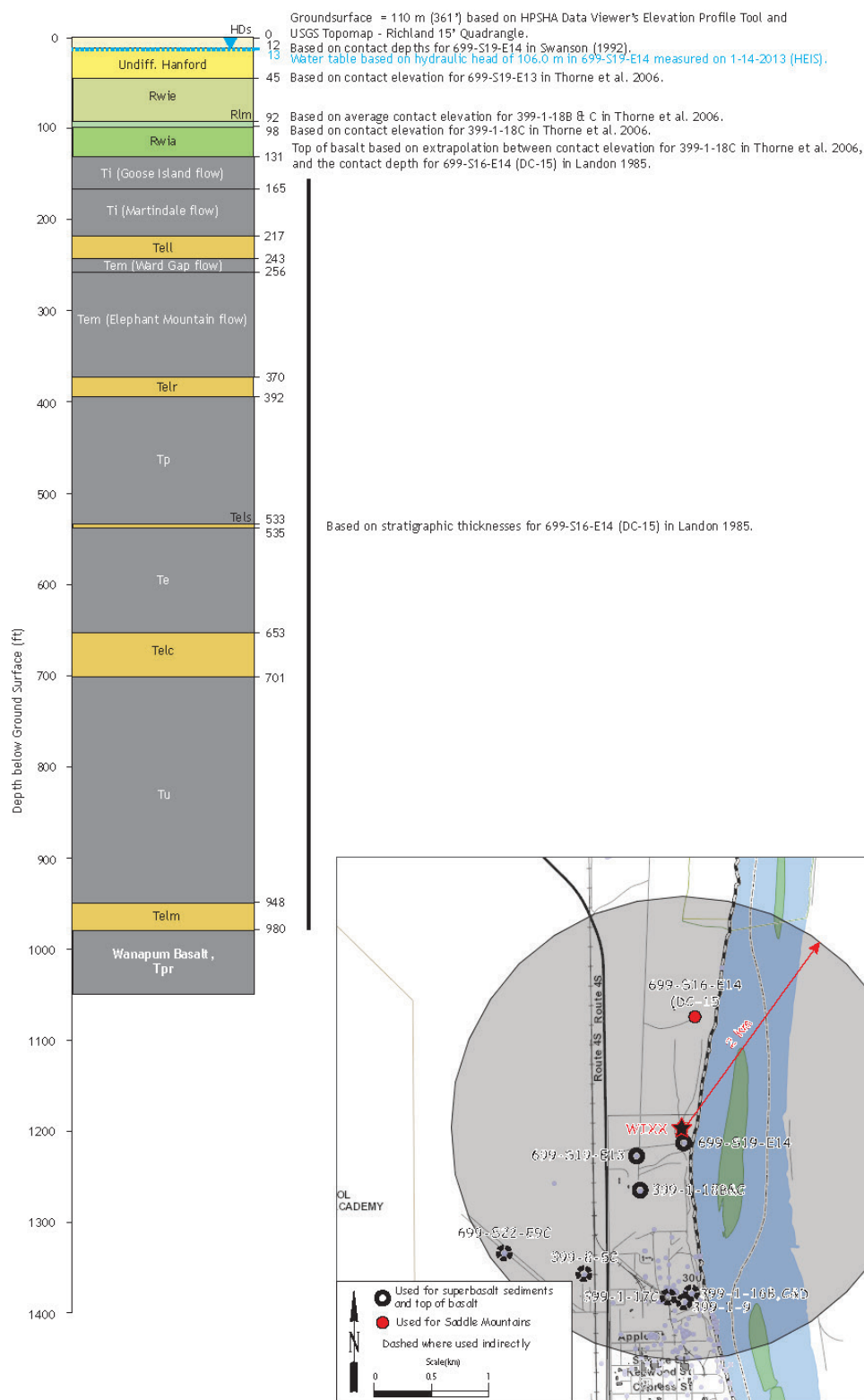


Plate 19 - General Stratigraphy Beneath Seismometer Station WOLL (Wollman Farm)
 (Based on WADOE Well Log IDs 174109/659838 and 174078, Lindsey, et al. [2009], and Burns et al. [2012])

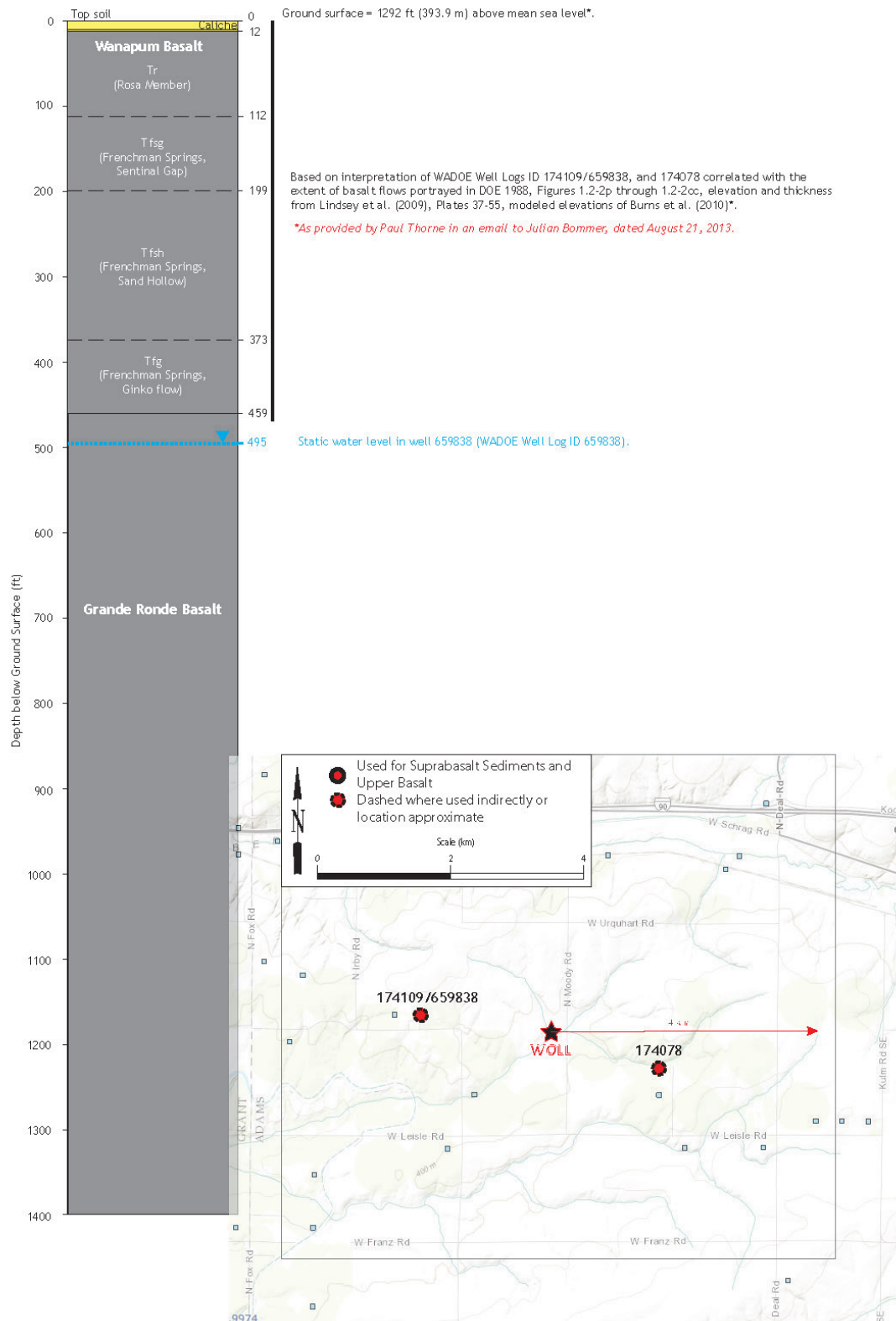
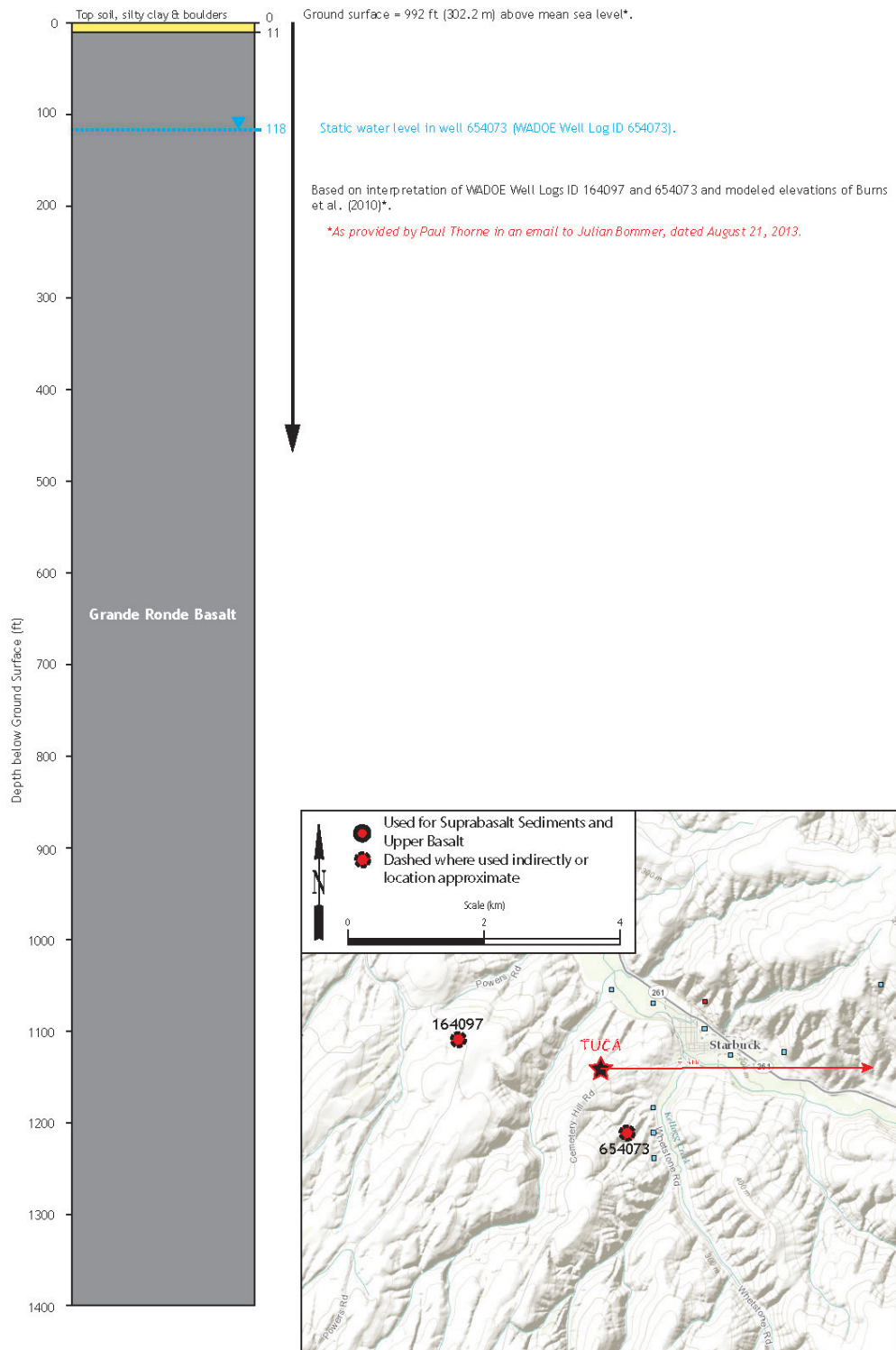


Plate 20 - General Stratigraphy Beneath Seismometer Station TUCA (Wood Farm)
 (Based on WADOE Well Log IDs 164097 and 654073, Lindsey, et al. [2009], and Burns et al. [2012])





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