

CROSS SECTION EXPLANATION (PLATE 2)

Hueco Bolson Hydrostratigraphic Units (HSUs)

RIO GRANDE VALLEY FILL

- RA** **Rio Grande Alluvium** -- River-channel and floodplain deposits of the Rio Grande; up to 100 ft (30 m) saturated thickness; mostly facies a1 and a2; Late Quaternary. *Upper shallow aquifer zone*
- VA** **Valley-Border Alluvium** -- Channel, fan and terrace deposits of tributary arroyo systems; Undifferentiated deposits of (VAY and VAO) of major ephemeral tributaries to the Rio Grande; facies b (like 5 and 6); Middle and Late Quaternary
- VAY** **Younger Valley-Border Alluvium** -- Valley fill deposits associated with entrenchment and backfilling of major arroyo tributaries to the Rio Grande; facies b (like 5 and 6); Late Quaternary
- TA** **Rio Grande Terrace Deposits, undivided** -- Channel and overbank sediments of the ancestral Rio Grande; as much as 150 ft above the present floodplain; mostly facies a1 entirely in the vadose zone; Middle and Late Quaternary
- TAO** **Older Rio Grande Terrace Deposits** -- High-level river deposits; as much as 200 ft above the present floodplain; mostly facies a2, entirely in the vadose zone; Middle Pleistocene

YOUNGER BASIN FILL

- PAU** **Piedmont-Slope Alluvium** -- Older and younger piedmont-slope deposits and correlative Upper Santa Fe piedmont facies (5 to 8), undivided; Middle Pleistocene
- PA** **Piedmont-Slope Deposits** -- Younger and older (PAO) piedmont-slope deposits, undivided, stippled where up to 10 ft (3 m) of Late Quaternary eolian cover is present; Middle and Late Quaternary mostly facies 5 and 6
- BF** **Basin-Floor Deposits, undivided** -- alluvial flat and small playa depression fills; mostly facies c and 3; entirely in vadose zone; Middle and Late Quaternary
- EBF** **Basin-Floor Deposits** -- with thin eolian cover, undivided
- BFp** **Basin-Floor Playa-lake Deposits** -- local depressions on basin-floor alluvial plains (unit BF); as much as 20 ft (6 m) thick and entirely in vadose zone; fine-grained with thin sandy layers; mostly facies c

SANTA FE GROUP BASIN FILL

- USF** **Upper Santa Fe HSUs, undivided** -- medial to distal piedmont facies 5 and 6 that grade to basin-floor facies 1 to 4; Early Pleistocene to Late Miocene
- USF1** **Upper Santa Fe HSUs** -- medial to distal piedmont facies, mostly facies 5 and 6; includes Camp Rice Formation; up to 10 ft (3 m) of upper Quaternary eolian cover is locally present; Early Pleistocene to Late Miocene
- USF2** **Upper Santa Fe HSUs** -- basin-floor facies 1 to 4, undivided; includes Camp Rice Formation subdivisions; up to 10 ft (3 m) of upper Quaternary eolian cover is locally present; Early to Late Miocene
- USFc** **Upper Santa Fe HSUs** -- mostly proximal piedmont facies 6 and 8; includes Camp Rice Formation subdivisions; Pliocene to Late Miocene
- MSF** **Middle Santa Fe HSUs, undivided** -- primarily conglomeratic piedmont facies 7 and 8 that grade to basin-floor facies 3 and 4; includes Fort Hancock and Rincon Valley Fm correlatives. Note that unit only occurs in the subsurface beneath the central basin areas and is saturated; Upper Cenozoic-Miocene
- MSF1** **Middle Santa Fe HSUs** -- primarily conglomeratic piedmont facies 7 and 8; includes Fort Hancock and Rincon Valley Fm correlatives;
- MSF2** **Middle Santa Fe HSUs** -- basin-floor facies undivided; primarily weakly to moderately indurated pebbly sandstones, sandstones and mudstones of facies 3, 4, and 9 (mostly in the zone of saturation); includes Rincon Valley Fm correlatives.
- MLS** **Middle and Lower Santa Fe HSUs -- undivided**
- LSF** **Lower Santa Fe HSUs** -- undivided piedmont and basin-floor facies 4, 7, 8, 9, and 10; fanglomerate, conglomerate, conglomeratic sandstone, siltstone, and mudstone with thin, limestone and gypsiferous (facies 10) layers. Note that unit only occurs in subsurface; Upper Cenozoic-Miocene
- LSF1** **Lower Santa Fe HSUs** -- piedmont facies 7 and 8
- LSF2** **Lower Santa Fe HSUs** -- basin floor facies 3, 4, 9, and 10

BEDROCK UNITS

- Tli** Intermediate Intrusive igneous rocks, undivided (Lower Cenozoic)
- Tls** Mostly lower Eocene-Paleocene (Lower Cenozoic) sedimentary rocks, sandstones, mudstones and conglomerates with minor or no volcanoclastic constituents
- K** Upper Cretaceous marine sedimentary rocks, undifferentiated -- Limestone, silty to shaly Limestone, and shale
- P** Permian Rocks, Undifferentiated - Primarily limestone, sandstone and red-bed mudstones
- IP** Pennsylvanian and Lower Permian Rocks, Undifferentiated-Primarily Limestone and redbeds, sandy mudstone, with shale, sandstone and gypsiferous
- Pz** Paleozoic Rocks, Undifferentiated
- Pzu** Upper Paleozoic Rocks, Undifferentiated -- Primarily limestone, with shale, sandstone, red-bed mudstones and gypsiferous
- Pzm** Middle Paleozoic Rocks, Devonian and Mississippian, primarily carbonate types, with shale
- Pzl** Lower Paleozoic Rocks, Cambrian to Silurian, primarily carbonate types
- XY** Precambrian Rocks, Undifferentiated

Textural-Class Symbols -- Dominant Clast-size Range

- c** Coarse-grained -- Gravel and gravelly sand
- m** Medium-grained -- Sand and pebbly sand
- f** Fine-grained -- Silty to fine sandy clay



Fault -- Dashed where approximate, question mark where inferred



- fine-grained
- medium- to fine-grained
- medium-grained
- medium- to coarse-grained

Well Control, including City of El Paso and CD. Juearaz water-supply wells -- solid within 5000 ft of section line; dashed when 5000-7000 ft from section line

- X-sec (1.6pt)
- Major tics (0.8pt)
- Surface (1pt)
- Certain contact (1pt)
- Uncertain contact (1pt, dashed: 8pt, 2.5pt)
- Fault (2.8pt)
- Well on section (1.4pt)
- Well off section (1.4, dashed: 5pt, 2pt)
- Leaders (.50pt)