

DESCRIPTION OF MAP UNITS*

QUATERNARY SEDIMENTARY DEPOSITS

- Holocene Nonglacial Deposits**
- af Artificial fill and modified land (Holocene)
 - Qa Alluvium (Holocene)
 - Qp Peat (Holocene)
 - Qls Landslide deposits (Holocene to latest Pleistocene)
 - Qaf Alluvial fan deposits (Holocene to latest Pleistocene)
- Pleistocene Glacial and Nonglacial Deposits**
- DEPOSITS OF THE FRASER GLACIATION**
- Vashon Stage Recessional Deposits**
- Qgss Outwash sand (Pleistocene)
 - Qgsl Recessional glaciolacustrine (lake) deposits (Pleistocene)
 - Qgsc Stratified ice-contact deposits, undivided (Pleistocene)
- Locally divided into:
- Qgl Ice-contact deposits, melt-out, ablation, or flow tills (Pleistocene)
 - Qge Ice-contact deposits, eskers (Pleistocene)
 - Qgk Ice-contact deposits, kames (Pleistocene)
- Vashon Stage Proglacial and Subglacial Deposits**
- Qgvl Vashon lodgment till (Pleistocene)
 - Qgva Advance outwash deposits (Pleistocene)
 - Qgvp Advance glaciolacustrine deposits (Pleistocene)

- DEPOSITS OF THE OLYMPIA NONGLACIAL INTERVAL**
- Qco Olympia beds (Pleistocene)
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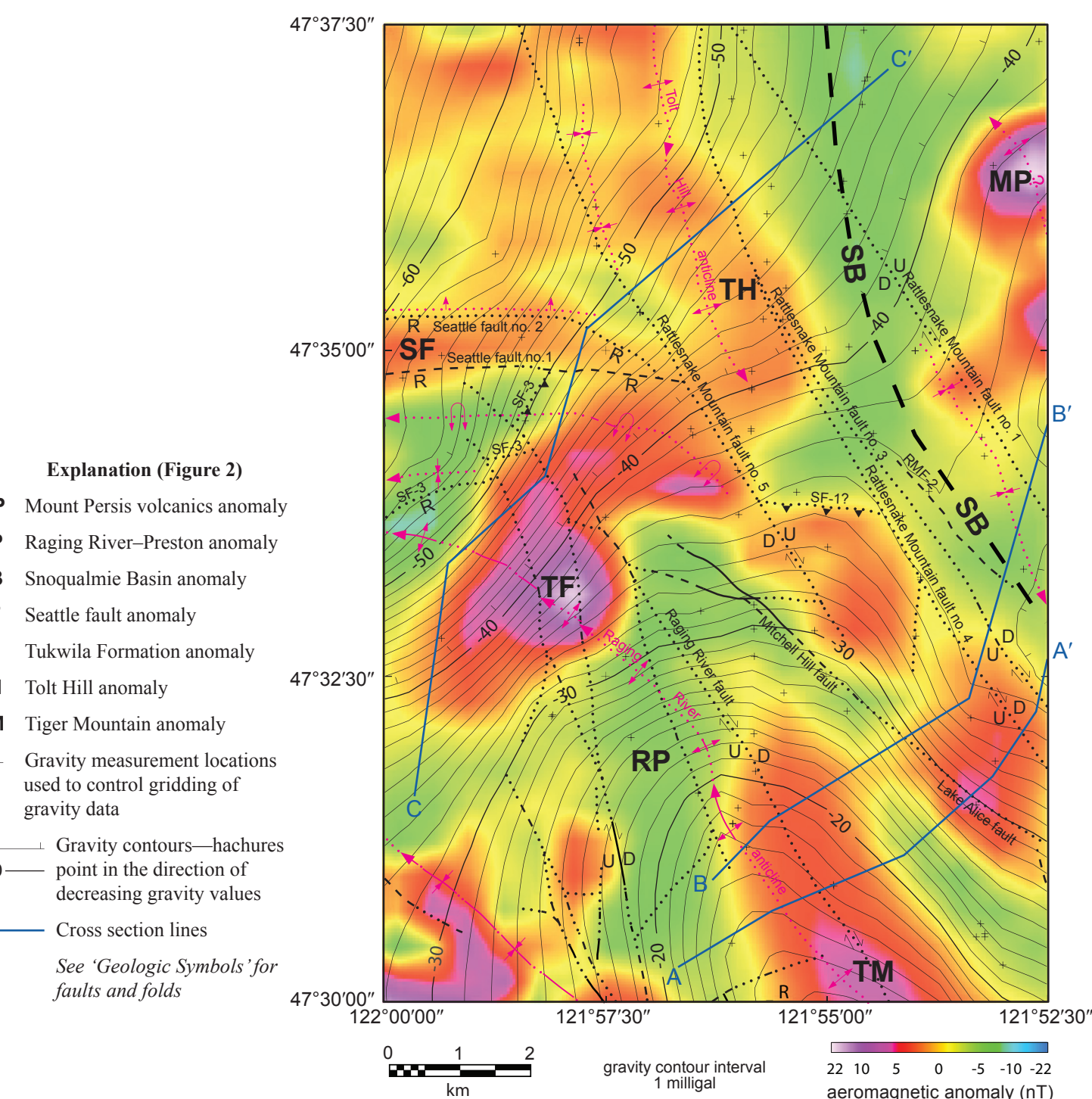


Figure 2. Isostatic gravity anomaly contours (Anderson and others, 2006) superimposed on the aeromagnetic map of the Fall City quadrangle. The data come from an aeromagnetic survey contracted by the U.S. Geological Survey in 1997. Flight lines are oriented north-south with 250-m spacing (Bakely and others, 1999). Magnetic anomalies for the map area are subtle, therefore we present a reduced-to-pole aeromagnetic anomaly grid that is upward continued 50 m and differenced with the original grid according to standard procedures (Bakely, 1999). This combination of filters moves magnetic anomalies directly over the magnetic source units and enhances near-surface anomalies that are more appropriate for interpretation of shallow structures. New data constrain the gravity anomalies for this region (Anderson and others, 2006), and we used standard formulas and reduction procedures (Bakely, 1996), as well as a reduction density of 2670 kg/m³ to produce the isostatic gravity anomaly contours. Rock magnetic properties cited below are supported by hand samples and outcrop susceptibility measurements (Anderson and others, 2006; Megan Anderson, unpub. data, 2008). The center of anomaly TM is a strong, broad signal, both in the filtered and unfiltered data, indicating a deep source. We suggest that this anomaly over an intrusive body (perhaps unit E) because of the shape of the anomaly and its coincidence with a broad high in the gravity data. This body may be a subvolcanic intrusive equivalent to the Tukwila Formation (Cross Sections A, B). We also suspect that gabbros of the Snoqualmie batholith contribute to this magnetic high. Nonmagnetic rocks of the Raging River and Tiger Mountain Formations (anomaly RP) are consistent with an aeromagnetic low that wraps around anomaly TM. A zone of strong magnetic highs and lows (anomaly TF) in turn, wraps around anomaly RP and corresponds to the magnetically heterogeneous Tukwila Formation. This folded magnetic pattern is consistent with our mapping of the Raging River anticline. The strong magnetic high along the northeastern edge of the quadrangle (anomaly MP) is part of a broad magnetic high that extends to the north and is likely associated with the volcanic rocks of Mount Pers (unit E) shown on Cross Section C. Seattle fault no. 1 follows the sole east-west-striking linear magnetic anomaly (SF) in the map area. Anomaly TH is a relative magnetic high associated with Tot Hill, and SB marks the position of the Snoqualmie valley basin, which is associated with the Snoqualmie valley. (See "Quaternary Faulting in the Study Area.")

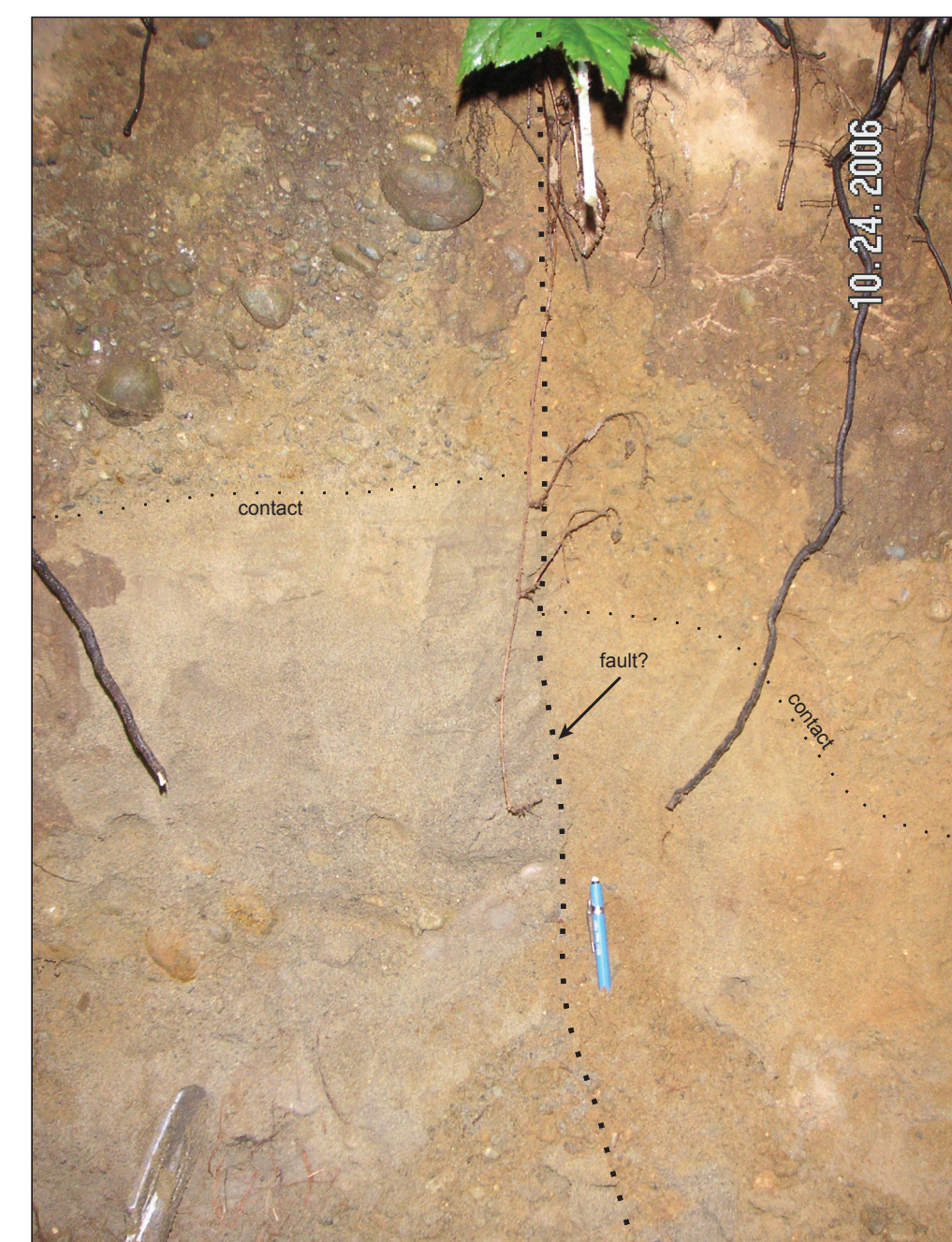


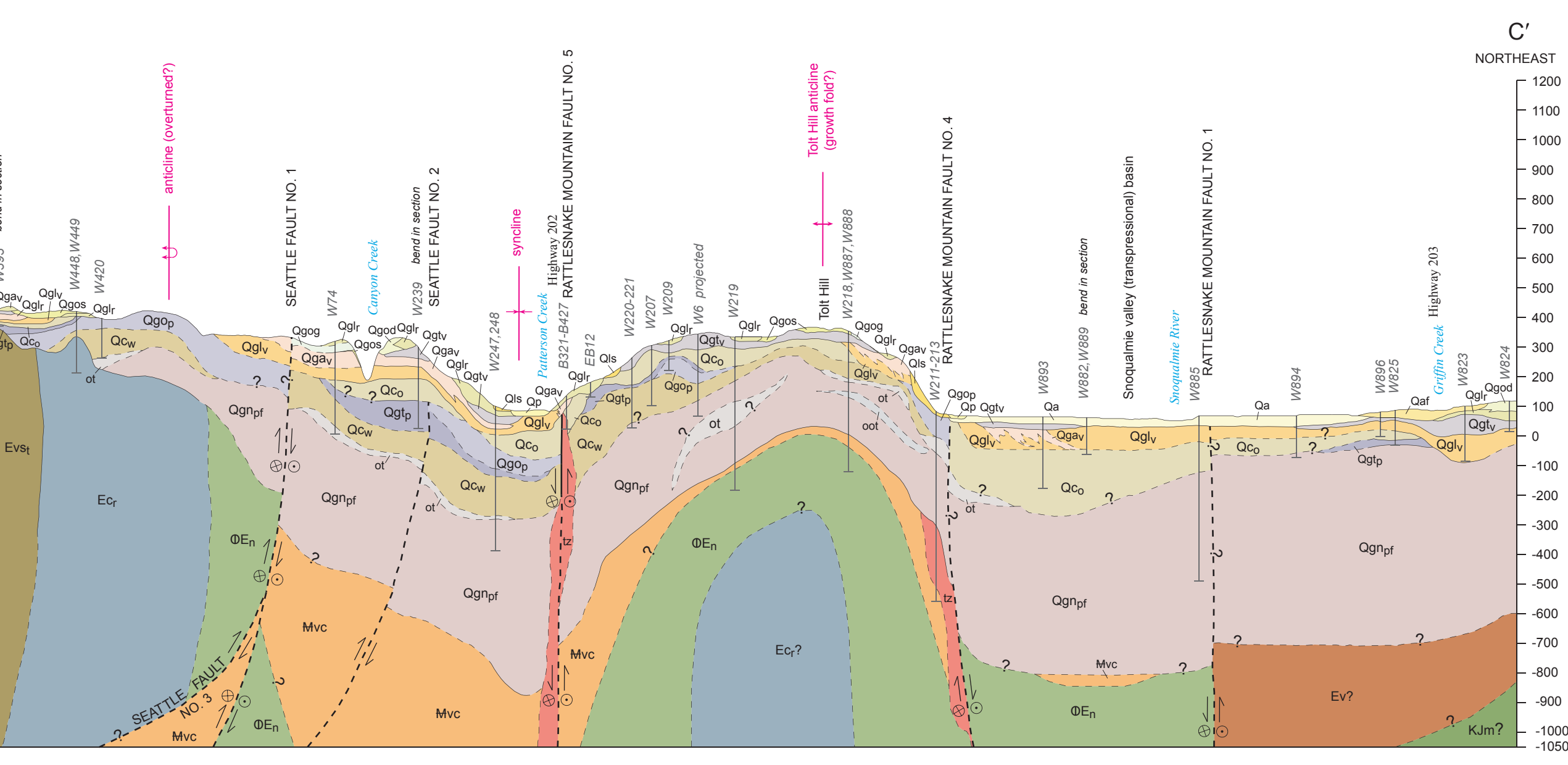
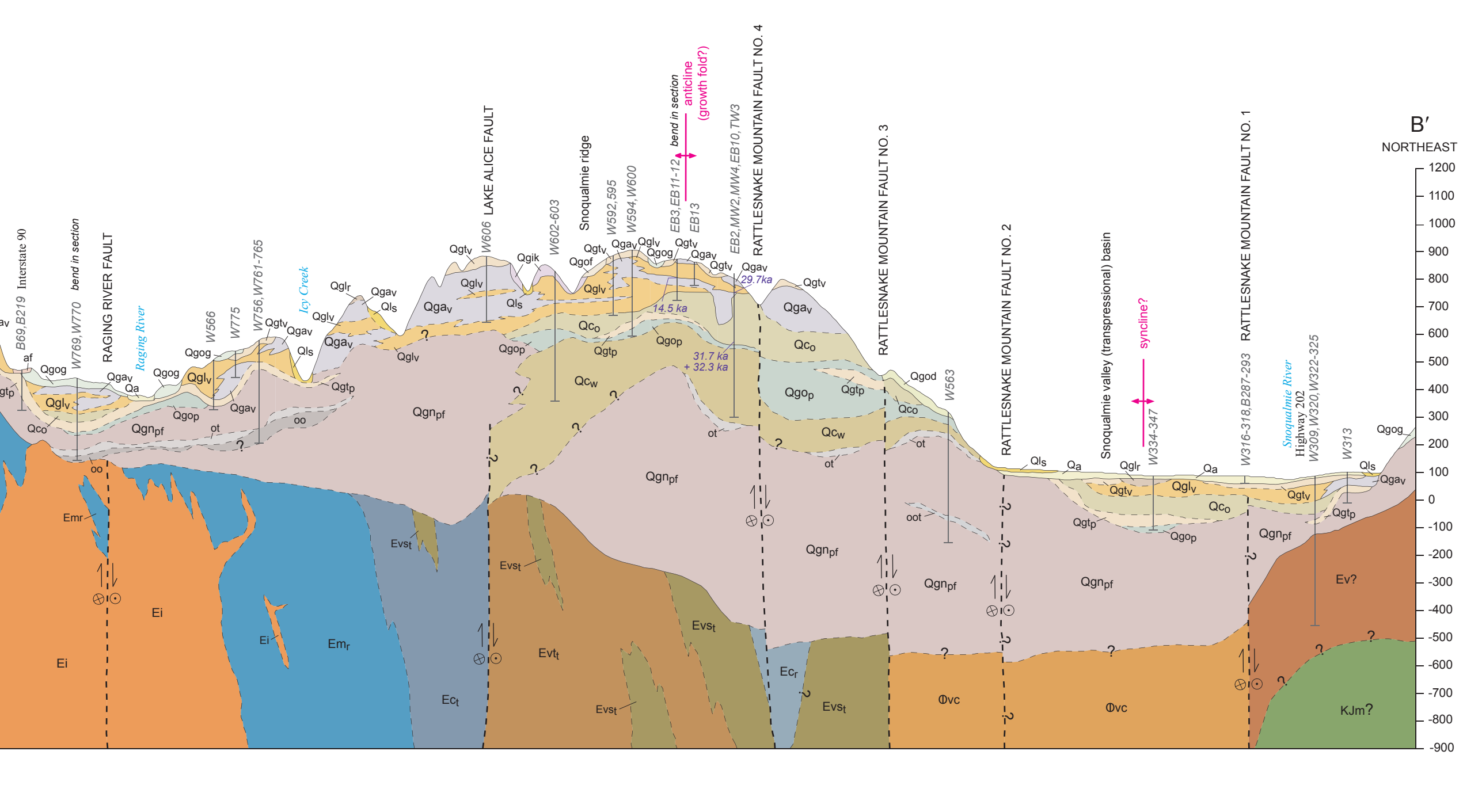
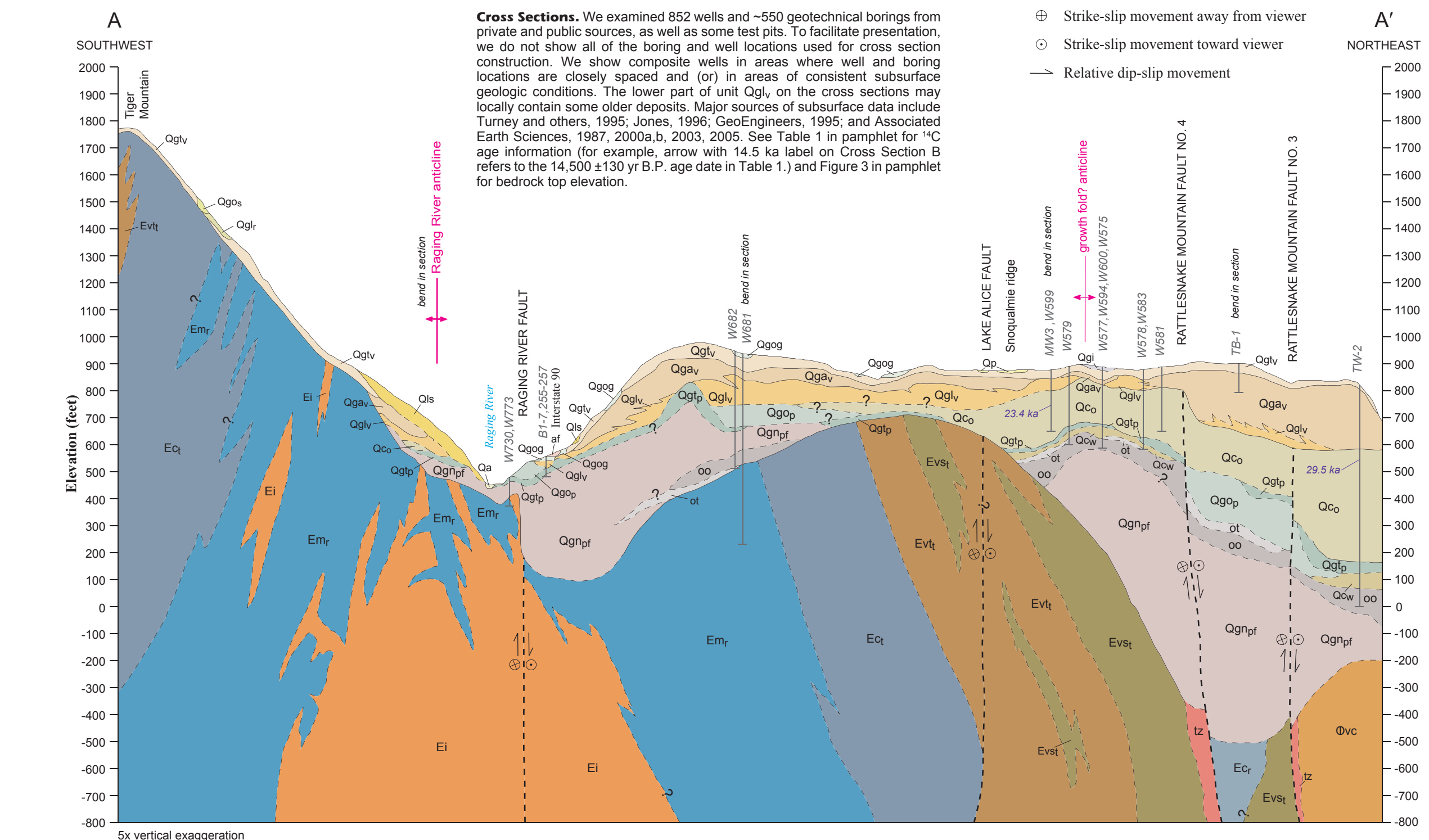
Figure 4. Deformed recessional outwash in the Caman quadrangle (Fig. 1, northwest of site 2 and Ames Lake) near Rattlesnake Mountain fault no. 1. Note blue pencil for scale. View is to the north-northwest, showing truncated subhorizontal bedding between gravel and sand outwash. The contact is offset by a high-angle fault discontinuity (arrow). We cannot discount landsliding or glacial shear as deformation mechanisms. A discontinuity east of the illustration has an opposite sense of fault offset and distinctly tilted bedding and may indicate that the recessional terrace has undergone extension during glacial spreading perhaps as a result of liquefaction. Site occurs ~100 ft west of the creek that defines the Rattlesnake Mountain no. 1. Invariant north of Ames Lake (Fig. 1). This contact exposure is in the SW1/4SW1/4 sec. 10, T20N R7E (47°39' 17"N, 121°57' 02" W (NAD 27)). Quaternary deformation at this site and in the North Bend quadrangle, as well as other geophysical, geomorphic, and lithologic anomalies suggest that Rattlesnake Mountain fault no. 1 is active.

Cross Section Legend

- Well or composite well showing depth

Fault movement indicators:

- Strike-slip movement away from viewer
- Strike-slip movement toward viewer
- Relative dip-slip movement



- MAJOR FINDINGS**
- The area contains impressive Vashon recessional deposits, including small kame and glaciolacustrine deposits perched along mountain ridges and deposited early in the ice recessional history.
 - The compositional similarity of Snoqualmie River sediments with the ancient fluvial sediments of the Olympia beds suggests uplift of the ancient river sediments between strands of the Rattlesnake Mountain fault zone.
 - The Tot Hill growth fold is suggested by the top-of-bedrock contour map, stratigraphy, and the bedding orientations of the Olympia beds. We suspect that this anticline is one of several growth folds within the Rattlesnake Mountain fault zone, which we project across the study area and correlate with the Southern Whidbey Island fault zone.
 - The Seattle fault zone may be active in the map area and is truncated by the Rattlesnake Mountain fault zone.
 - The proximity of the Renton Formation to the Seattle fault zone, combined with ancillary structural information, suggests that the Puget Group is thrust over younger Oligocene to Miocene rocks along Seattle fault no. 3.
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