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TABLE III Nomenclature and Correlation Chart

Colorado	Colorado		Colorado	Ne Wyoming South Dakota	Central Wyoming Sw Powder River Basin Casper Arch
S. CENTRAL COLORADO Waage (1953)	NORTHERN FRONT RANGE FOOTHILLS		DENVER BASIN E. FLANK Dinosaur Ridge	BLACK HILLS (Waage, 1959) (Baker, 1962)	Wind River Basin BIGHORN BASIN (Eicher, 1960)
	Waage (1955, 1961)	THIS REPORT Horsetooth Reservoir			
Graneros Deadman Canyon CO 115, So of Colorado Springs	Benton	Graneros	Graneros	Mowry	97.52±0.09 Ma
		"Mowry"	"D"		98.17±0.11 Ma
			Huntsman	Nesay	99.12±0.14 Ma
99.4±0.3 Ma*	"First Sandstone"	Muddy			99.62±0.07 Ma
Dakota	van Bibber	Horsetooth Mbr	103.92±0.06 Ma	99.49±0.07 Ma	99.67±0.13 Ma
	Kassler	Ft Collins Mbr	104.02±0.06 Ma	99.58±0.12 Ma	100.07±0.07 Ma
	"Third ss"			99.8±0.4 Ma	
	Plainview Mbr	100.6±0.4 Ma			101.23±0.09 Ma
		Skull Creek	Skull Creek	Skull Creek	101.36±0.11 Ma
			104.69±0.07 Ma	104.87±0.10 Ma	Thermopolis
		Plainview Fm	"Inyan Kara"	"Inyan Kara"	106.37±0.11 Ma
		Lytle		Fall River	Rusty Beds
				Lakota	Cloverly
Morrison	Morrison	Morrison	Morrison	Morrison	Morrison

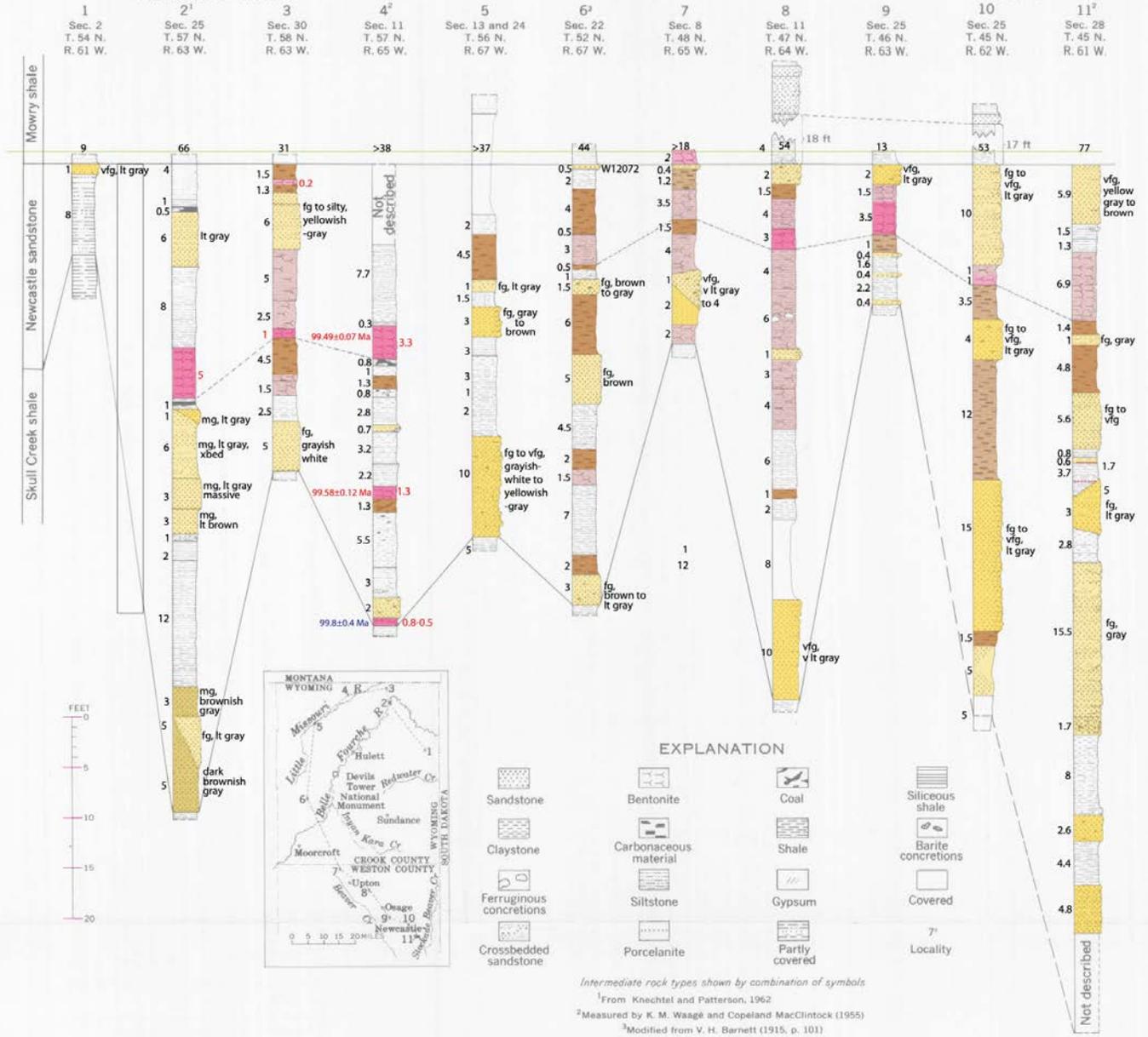
Annotated with new unpublished (Dec 2018) ⁴⁰Ar/³⁹Ar and ²³⁸U/²⁰⁶Pb isotopic ages

- 99.49±0.07 Ma New Noblesse multicollector ⁴⁰Ar/³⁹Ar sanidine ages, University of Wisconsin WiscAr Lab (2015)
- 99.12±0.14 Ma New MAP ⁴⁰Ar/³⁹Ar sanidine ages, University of Wisconsin WiscAr Lab (2012)
- 103.92±0.06 Ma New MAP ²³⁸U/²⁰⁶Pb zircon ages, Sam Bowring Lab, MIT (2009)
- 99.8±0.4 Ma Unpublished MAP ⁴⁰Ar/³⁹Ar sanidine ages, John D Obradovich (1996-2002)
- 99.4±0.3 Ma* Published MAP ⁴⁰Ar/³⁹Ar sanidine ages by John D Obradovich (1996-2002), reported in Oboh-Ikuenobe, FE, Holbrook, JM, Scott, RW, and others, 2008, Anatomy of Epicontinental Flooding: Late Albian-Early Cenomanian of the Southern U.S. Western Interior Basin: Geological Association of Canada Special Paper 48, p. 201-227, especially Table 5, p. 220

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STRATIGRAPHIC SECTIONS OF THE NEWCASTLE SANDSTONE,
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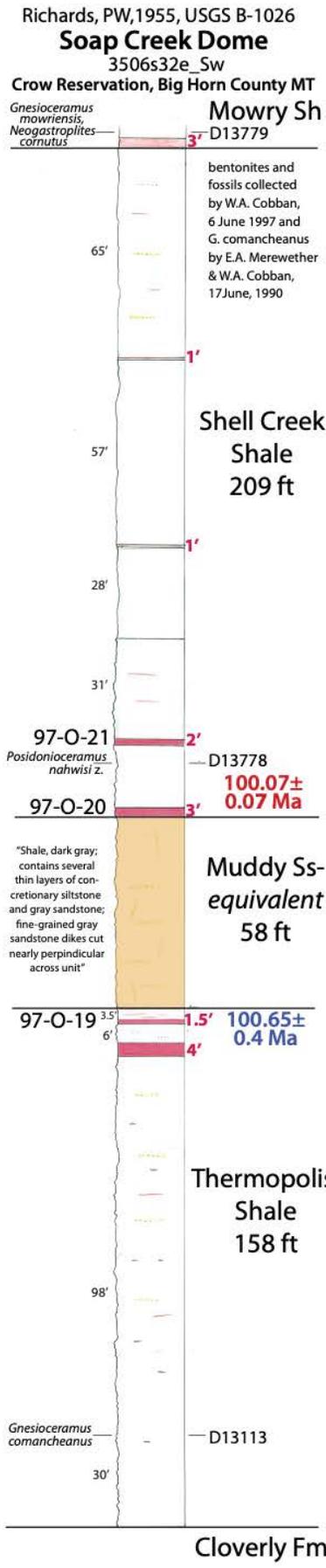


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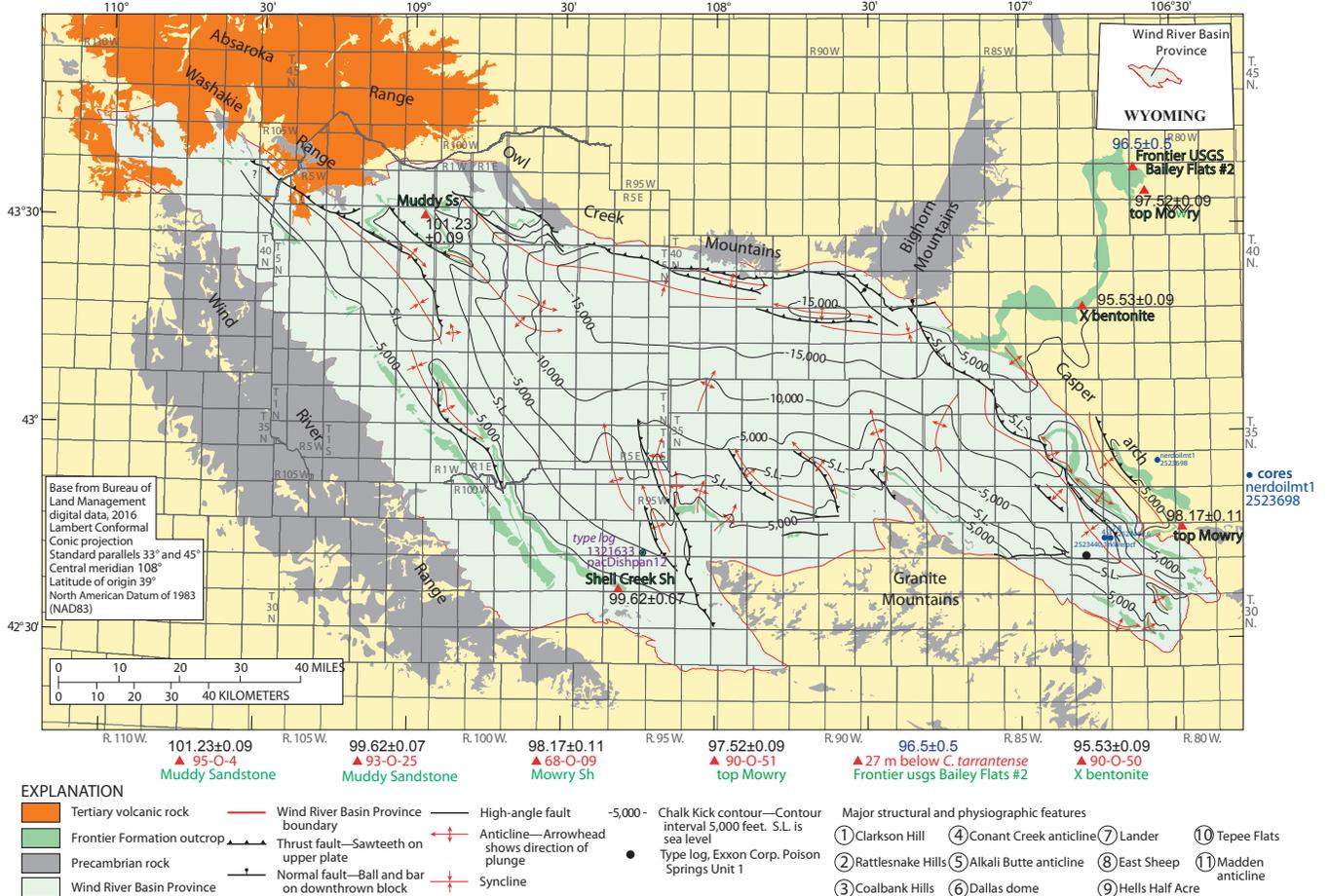


Figure 2. Index map of the Wind River Basin Province in central Wyoming showing major structural and physiographic features discussed in the text: (1) Clarkson Hill, (2) Rattlesnake Hills, (3) Coalbank Hills, (4) Conant Creek anticline, (5) Alkali Butte anticline, (6) Dallas dome, (7) Lander, (8) East Sheep Creek/Shotgun Butte, (9) Hells Half Acre, (10) Teepee Flats gas field, and (11) Madden anticline. Structure contours are drawn at base of the “chalk kick” marker bed. Contour interval is 5,000 feet. S.L., sea level.

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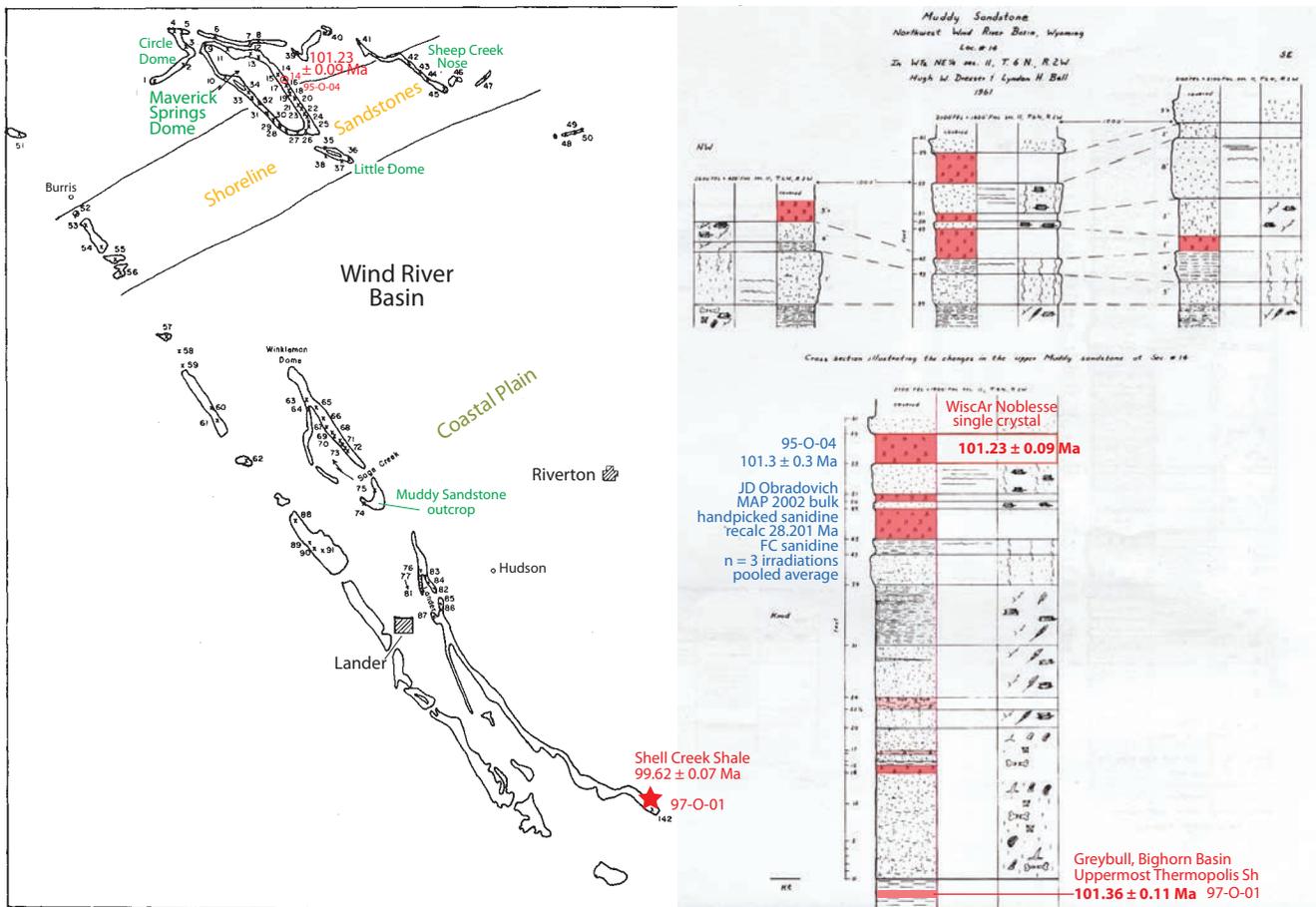


Figure S6. (B). Stratigraphic sections and paleogeographic map from Dresser (1974) report on the Muddy Sandstone around the Wind River Basin. The figure shows the location of the dated bentonite, on the northeast flank of the Maverick Springs Dome, in a shallow marine setting, just offshore from the shoreface sandstones. The stratigraphic column at locality 14 shows the dated bentonite, the uppermost of 2 upper bentonites; the cross-section above illustrates the discontinuity of bentonite horizons--1000 ft to either side, showing pinchout of the bentonites. Maverick Springs Dome is located within the Wind River Indian Reservation.

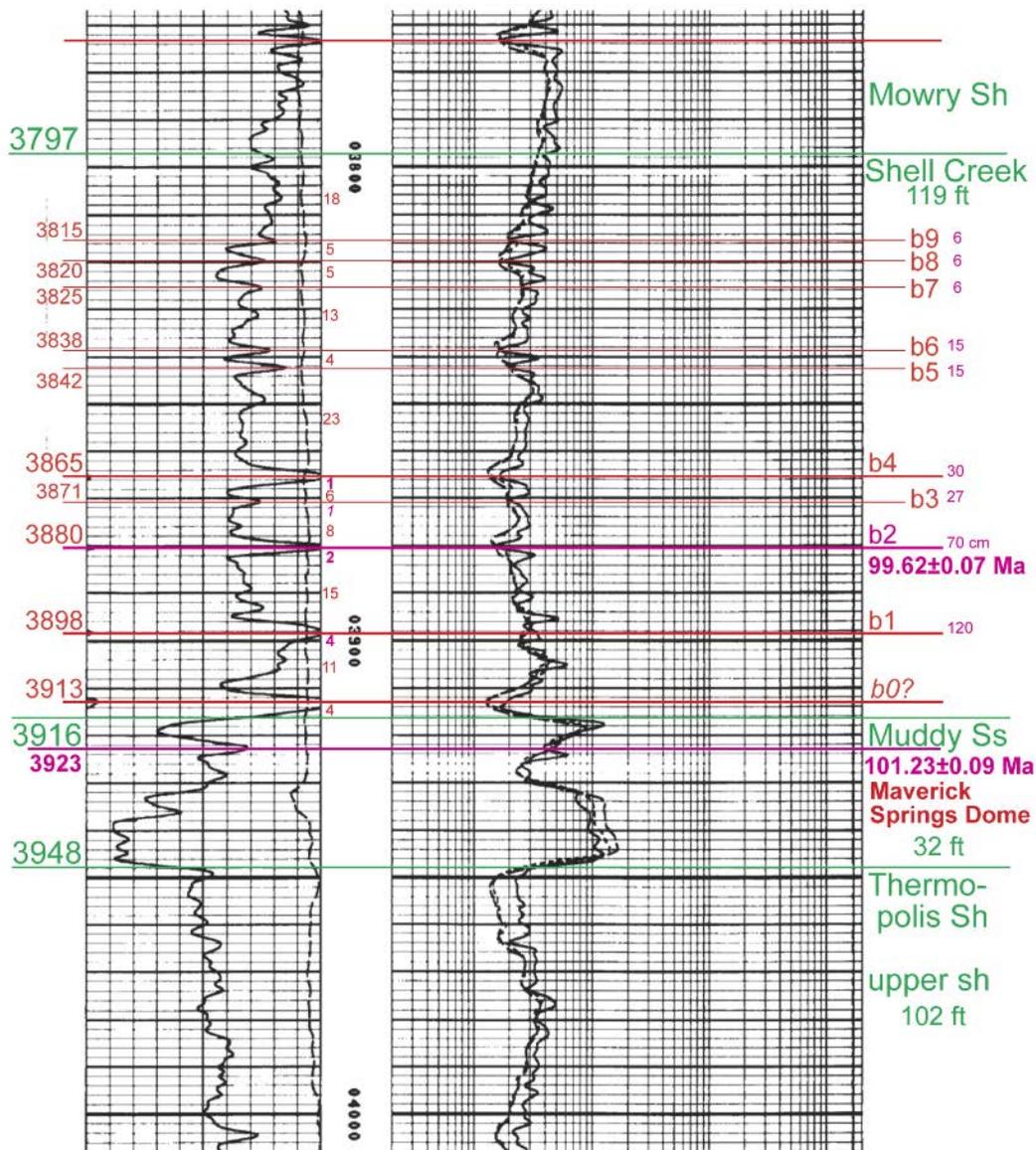


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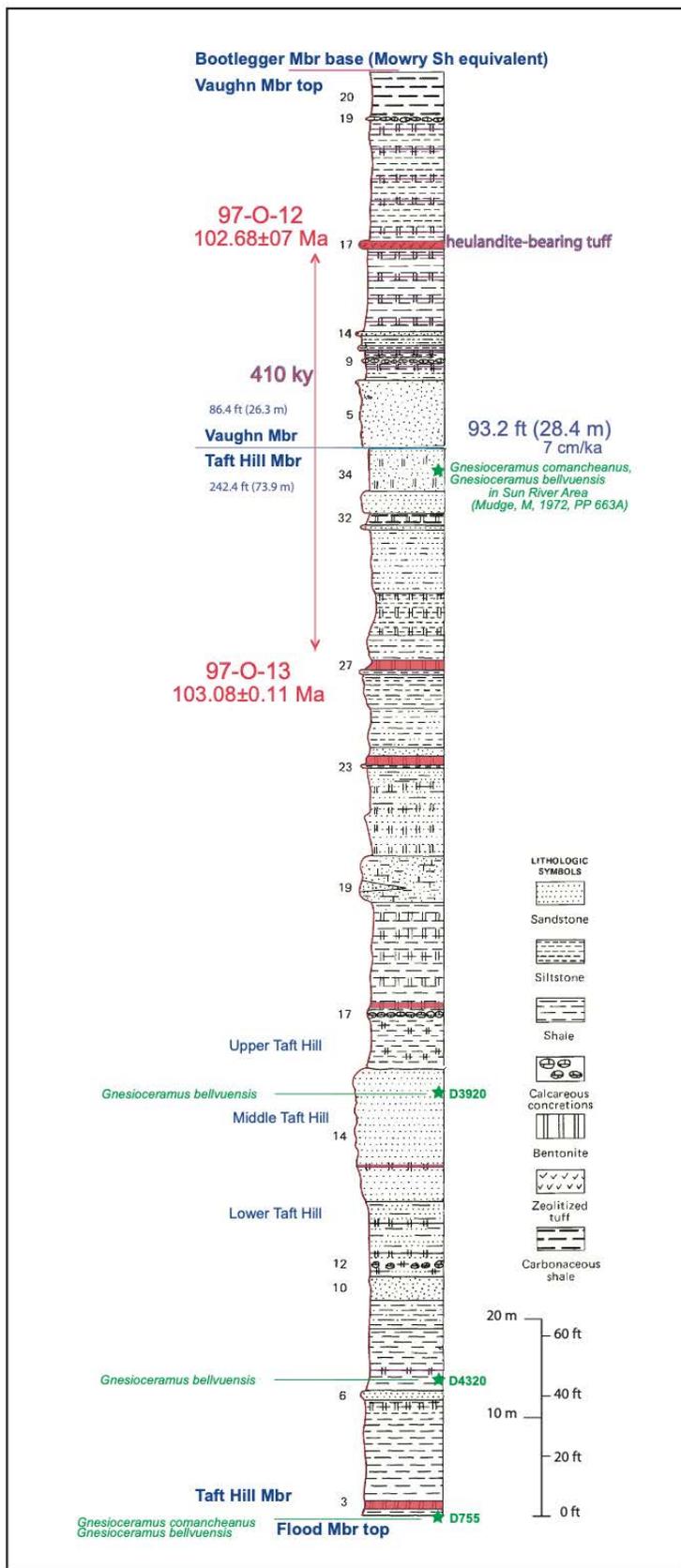


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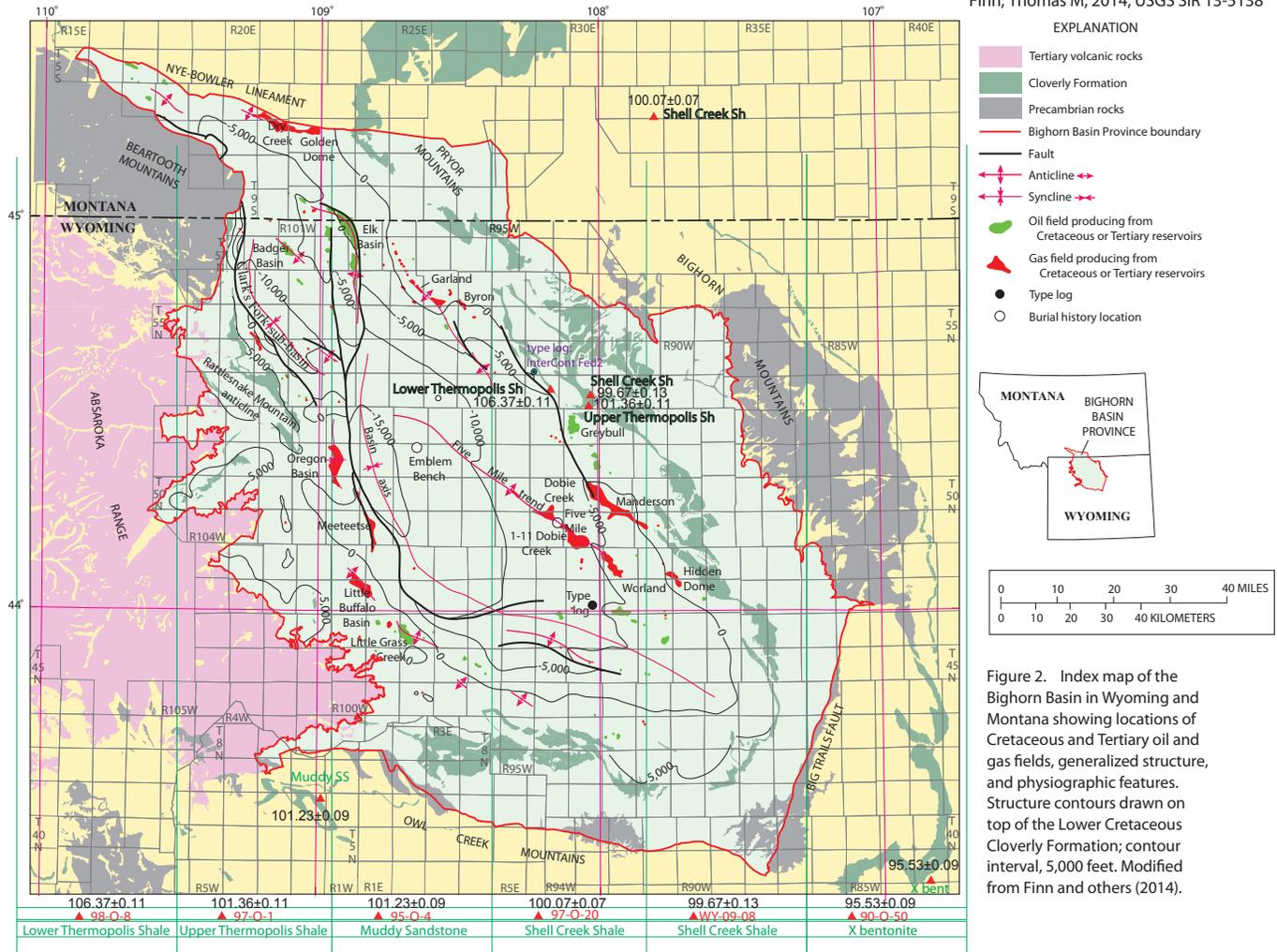


Figure 2. Index map of the Bighorn Basin in Wyoming and Montana showing locations of Cretaceous and Tertiary oil and gas fields, generalized structure, and physiographic features. Structure contours drawn on top of the Lower Cretaceous Cloverly Formation; contour interval, 5,000 feet. Modified from Finn and others (2014).

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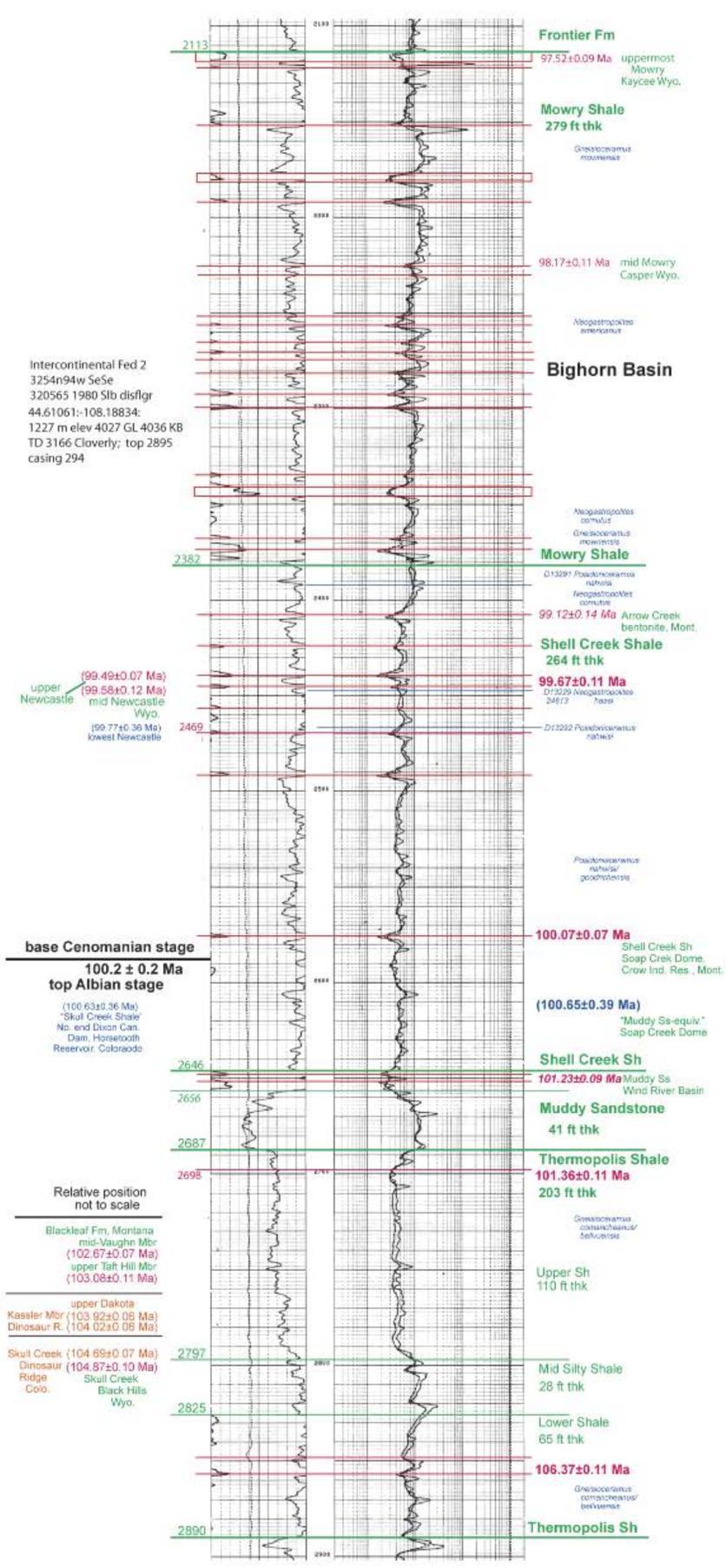


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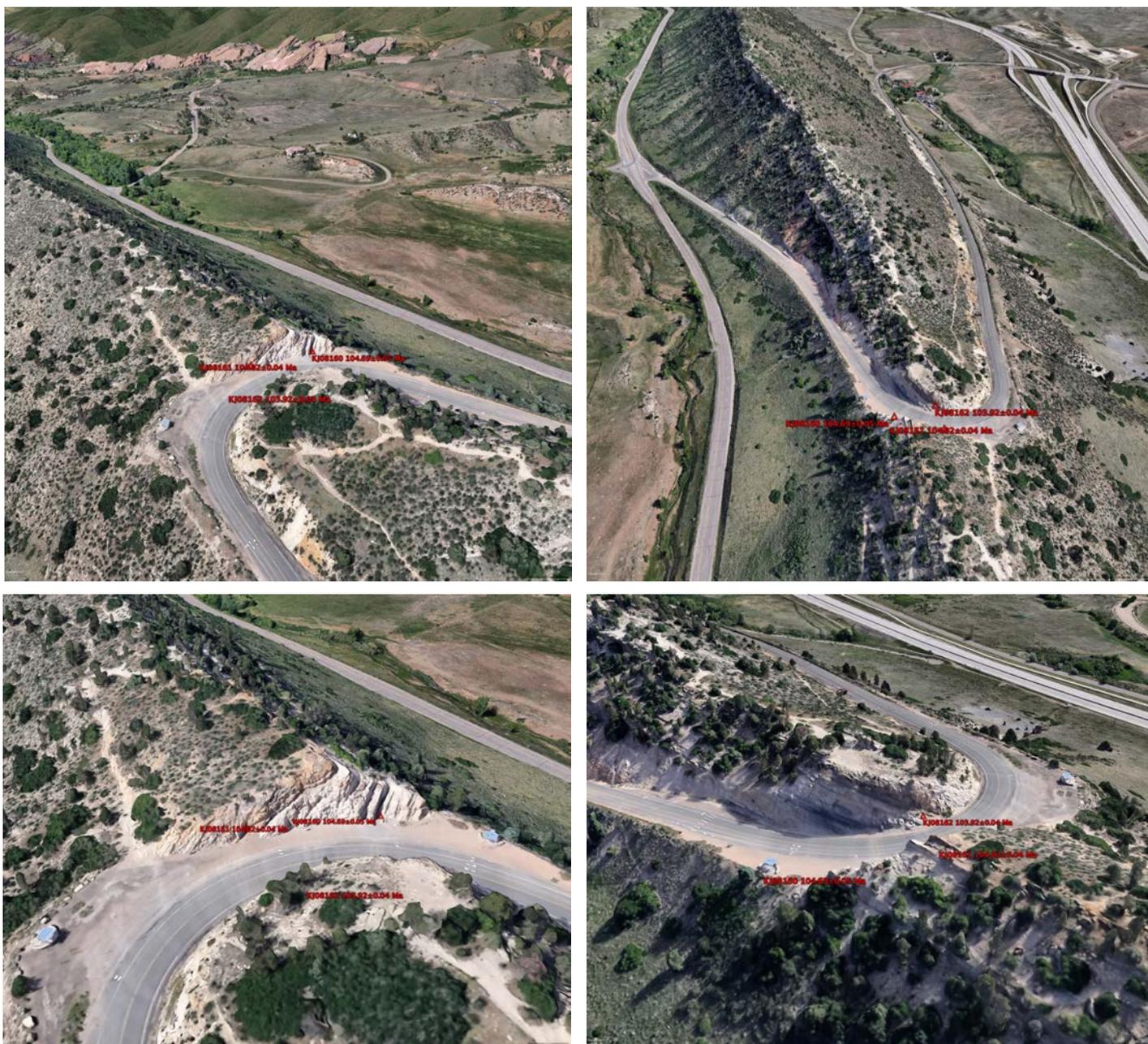


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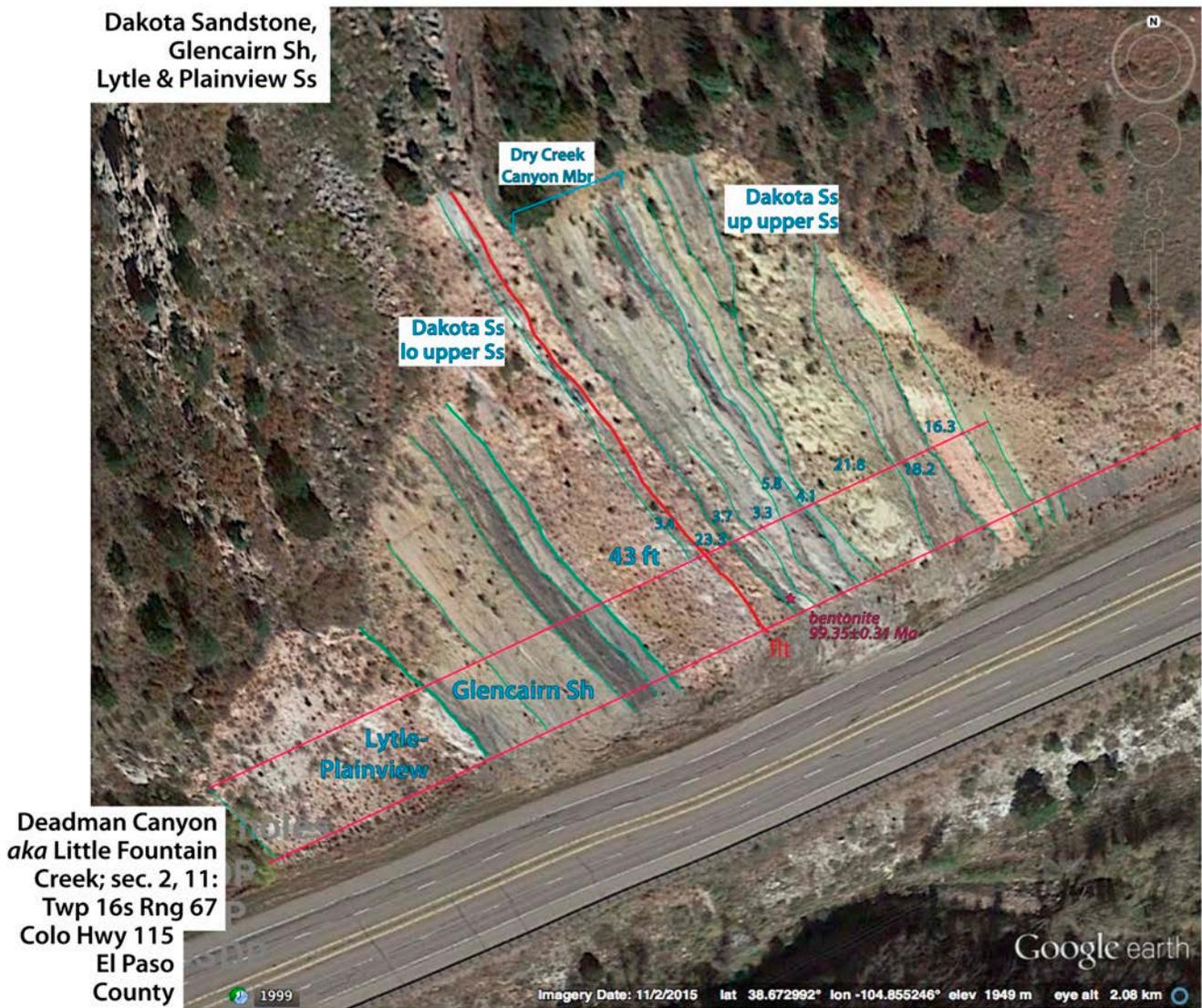


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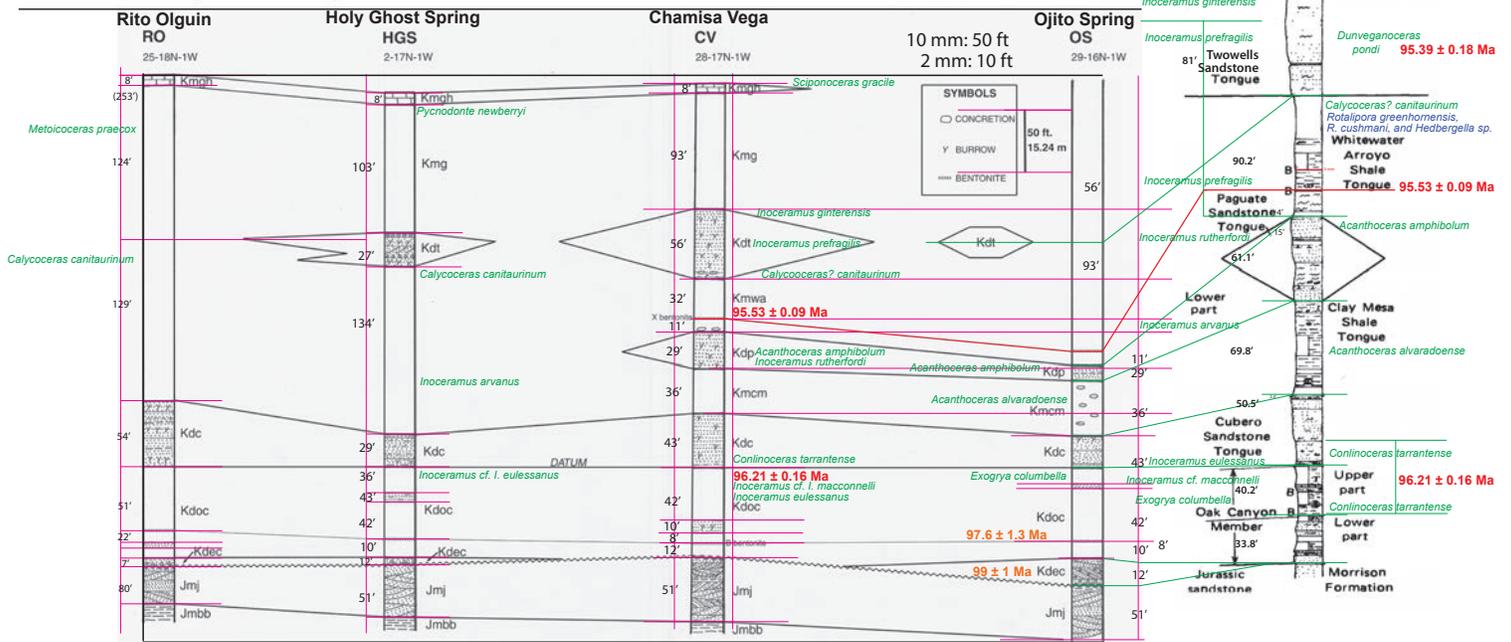


FIGURE 3. Stratigraphic cross-section from RO in La Ventana Quadrangle across Holy Ghost Spring Quadrangle, to OS in Ojito Spring Quadrangle. Abbreviations of measured sections and stratigraphic units same as on Figure 1 and 2 plus Kmg = Graneros Shale, Kmwa = Whitewater Arroyo Shale, Kmcm = Clay Mesa Shale, and Jmbb = Brushy Basin Member of Morrison Formation. 99 ± 1 and 97.6 ± 1.3 Ma Laserchron Ages from Lawton, T.F., et al., 2020

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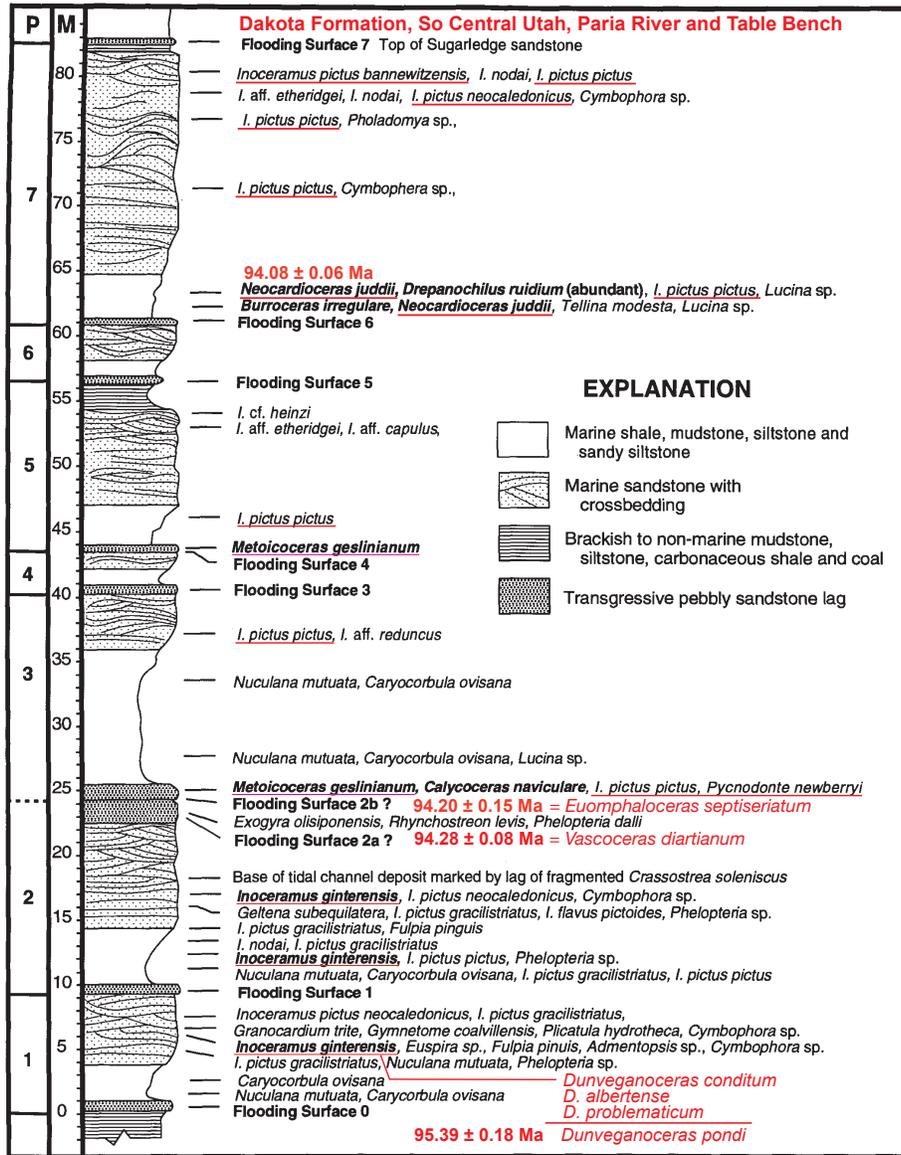


Figure 6. Composite section of study interval in the upper unit of the Dakota Formation showing lithofacies and faunal control at the Paria River (parasequences 1 and 2) and Table Bench (parasequences 3–7) sections (sections 9 and 3, respectively, Figs. 1 and 3), Utah. Biostratigraphically important taxa and flooding surfaces are labeled in bold typeface. Similar levels of biostratigraphic control are present at other Dakota sections. P = parasequence, M = meters.

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Figure S15. Upper Cenomanian ammonite/inoceramid faunas are present in south central Utah, as documented by Elder, Gustason, and Sageman (1994). Inoceramid faunas range from *Inoceramus ginterensis* up through *Inoceramus pictus*. Ammonites parallel the inoceramid biostratigraphy, including *Metoicoceras geslianum*, equivalent to *Vascoceras diartianum* (94.28 ± 0.08 Ma) and *Euomphaloceras septiseriatum* (94.20 ± 0.15 Ma; both ages from Meyers et al., 2012); and up to the "B" bentonite, *Neocardioceras juddii* zone, recently dated in southern Utah at 94.08 ± 0.06 Ma (Jones et al., 2020). The Dakota Sandstone was deposited in southern Utah across the entire upper Cenomanian, nearly to the Cenomanian-Turonian boundary. $^{40}\text{Ar}/^{39}\text{Ar}$ ages reported with $\pm 2\sigma$ analytical plus J value uncertainties.

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	Th/U ^(a)	Pbc ^(b)	Pb*/Pbc ^(c)	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²⁰⁴ Pb ^(d)	²⁰⁸ Pb/ ²⁰⁶ Pb ^(e)	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²³⁸ U ^(e,f)	±2σ	²⁰⁷ Pb/ ²³⁵ U ^(e)	±2σ	²⁰⁷ Pb/ ²⁰⁶ Pb ^(e,f)	±2σ	²⁰⁶ Pb/ ²³⁸ U ^(f,g)	±2σ	²⁰⁷ Pb/ ²³⁵ U ^(g)	±2σ	²⁰⁷ Pb/ ²⁰⁶ Pb ^(f,g)	±2σ	Corr. coef.
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KJ08-160: Zircon																		
z3	0.47	0.43	21	1275	0.149	0.016374	0.094	0.10967	1	0.048602	0.986	104.70	0.10	105.7	1	128	23	0.35
z4	0.53	0.59	9	576	0.169	0.01637	0.18	0.10889	2.2	0.048268	2.19	104.67	0.19	105	2.2	111	52	0.34
z5	0.51	0.52	18	1111	0.163	0.01637	0.11	0.10898	1.1	0.048307	1.11	104.67	0.11	105	1.1	113	26	0.39
z6	0.64	1.1	9	521	0.203	0.016373	0.21	0.10934	2.5	0.048457	2.45	104.69	0.22	105.4	2.5	121	58	0.37
z7	0.49	1.67	10	617	0.156	0.016372	0.17	0.10938	2.1	0.048477	2.04	104.69	0.18	105.4	2.1	122	48	0.32
z9	0.54	0.49	35	2067	0.173	0.016372	0.1	0.10873	0.66	0.048186	0.627	104.69	0.11	104.8	0.66	107	15	0.43
KJ08-161: Zircon																		
z4	0.45	0.54	9	577	0.143	0.016258	0.19	0.10827	2.3	0.048322	2.25	103.96	0.20	104.4	2.3	114	53	0.27
z6	0.39	0.93	17	1069	0.125	0.016261	0.12	0.10861	1.2	0.048462	1.18	103.98	0.13	104.7	1.2	121	28	0.24
z8	0.34	1.6	5	307	0.109	0.016272	0.37	0.10992	4.3	0.049016	4.21	104.05	0.39	105.9	4.3	148	99	0.35
z9	0.58	0.8	30	1767	0.184	0.016266	0.088	0.10819	0.76	0.048264	0.727	104.01	0.09	104.31	0.75	111	17	0.39
z10	0.34	1.3	18	1108	0.109	0.016265	0.11	0.10856	1.2	0.048429	1.12	104.00	0.11	104.6	1.1	119	26	0.33
z11	0.37	0.63	26	1614	0.117	0.016265	0.12	0.10787	0.88	0.048124	0.851	104.01	0.12	104.02	0.87	104	20	0.29
z12	0.44	0.67	22	1336	0.142	0.016254	0.11	0.10794	1	0.048183	1.02	103.94	0.11	104.1	1	107	24	0.33
z17	0.43	0.67	24	1481	0.138	0.016272	0.11	0.10866	0.91	0.048454	0.864	104.05	0.11	104.74	0.9	120	20	0.45
z20	0.38	2.69	6	357	0.122	0.016267	0.32	0.10995	3.7	0.049043	3.56	104.02	0.33	105.9	3.7	149	83	0.35
KJ08-162: Zircon																		
z1	0.37	0.57	49	3014	0.117	0.016252	0.074	0.10813	0.49	0.048275	0.46	103.92	0.08	104.25	0.49	112	11	0.45
z3	0.44	0.44	25	1535	0.139	0.016253	0.097	0.10861	0.91	0.048488	0.89	103.93	0.10	104.7	0.91	122	21	0.27
z6	0.35	0.46	30	1879	0.111	0.016249	0.084	0.10805	0.68	0.048247	0.67	103.91	0.09	104.18	0.67	110	16	0.19
z8	0.37	0.72	20	1226	0.119	0.016248	0.13	0.10793	1.1	0.048197	1	103.90	0.14	104.1	1.04	108	24	0.42
z9	0.42	0.94	18	1127	0.134	0.016252	0.12	0.10816	1.2	0.048287	1.1	103.93	0.12	104.3	1.16	112	27	0.28

Blank composition: ²⁰⁶Pb/²⁰⁴Pb = 18.15 ± 0.48; ²⁰⁷Pb/²⁰⁴Pb = 15.30 ± 0.29; ²⁰⁸Pb/²⁰⁴Pb = 37.11 ± 0.88; Mass fractionation correction of 0.25%/amu±0.02%/amu (atomic mass unit) was applied to all single-collector Daly analyses.

(a) Th contents calculated from radiogenic ²⁰⁶Pb and the ²⁰⁷Pb/²⁰⁶Pb date of the sample, assuming concordance between U-Th and Pb systems.

(b) Total mass of common Pb.

(c) Ratio of radiogenic Pb (including ²⁰⁶Pb) to common Pb.

(d) Measured ratio corrected for fractionation and spike contribution only. All common Pb was assumed to be procedural blank. Total procedural blank for U was less than 0.1 pg.

(e) Corrected for Initial Th/U disequilibrium using radiogenic ²⁰⁶Pb and Th/U [magma] = 2.8

(f) Isotopic dates calculated using the decay constants $\lambda_{238} = 1.55125E-10 \text{ yr}^{-1}$, $\lambda_{235} = 9.8485E-10 \text{ yr}^{-1}$ (Jaffey et al. 1971), and for the ²³⁸U/²³⁵U = 137.818 ± 0.045 (Hiess, J. et al. 2012)

