

The area covered by the Kayville quadrangle is subject to a variety of geologic hazards. These result from a unique combination of geologic, topographic, and climatic conditions.

Geologic Setting

Sediments deposited by Pleistocene Lake Bonneville dominate the surficial geology of the Kayville quadrangle. Lake Bonneville was a large ice-age lake that covered much of northwestern Utah between about 32,500 and 11,600 years ago. Several regional shorelines of Lake Bonneville are found in the Kayville quadrangle (table 1). The earliest of these shorelines is the Stanbury shoreline, resulting from a climatically induced lake oscillation from about 24,400 to 23,200 years ago. A small part of the Stanbury shoreline is mapped on the east side of Kayville City, but this shoreline cannot be extensively traced because of subsequent erosion and deposition. The lake continued to rise until it reached its highest level about 18,000 years ago that was controlled by an external overflow threshold (the Zenda threshold) in southern Idaho, creating the Bonneville shoreline. The Bonneville shoreline forms a bench near the base of the Wasatch Range. About 16,800 years ago, catastrophic incision of the Zenda threshold lowered the threshold and lake level 340 feet (105 m) in less than one year (Jennett and Malde, 1987; O'Connor, 1993). Lake Bonneville stabilized at a lower level controlled by the Red Rock Pass threshold and formed the Provo shoreline, measured from an altitude of 1810 feet (552 m) (O'Connor, 1993), where it crosses Hillfield Road in the northern part of the quadrangle. The lake oscillated at or near the Provo level until about 13,500 years ago (Geddes and others, 2005), when climatic factors induced further lowering of the lake level, which eventually fell below the elevation of the Provo shoreline. Lake Bonneville subsequently rose and formed the Gilbert shoreline, mapped in the southwest part of the Kayville quadrangle, from about 12,800 to 11,600 years ago. Lake Bonneville finally regressed about 10,000 years ago, leaving Great Salt Lake as one of its remnants. The lake was about 3000 years ago regressed in the highest state lake level reached during the Holocene. Small parts of a shoreline formed at this level, commonly referred to as the Holocene highland, are found near the current shore of Great Salt Lake.

Geologic Hazards

The Weber segment of the Wasatch fault zone separates the Wasatch Range from the adjacent valley in the Kayville quadrangle. Although this segment has not generated any large (greater than magnitude 6.5) historical earthquakes, such events are expected from this segment and other nearby faults, which may result in heavy damage and loss of life (Black and others, 2003). In 1978, a research trench was excavated across the Weber segment in the Kayville quadrangle about 0.5 miles (1.0 km) south of the mouth of Fair Canyon (Swan and others, 1980, 1981). The trench was reexcavated in 1988 to reevaluate the timing of Holocene faulting (McCalpin and others, 1994). Data from these and other studies along the Weber segment outside of the quadrangle indicate that the most recent large earthquake generated by the Weber segment may have occurred about 500 years ago, with such events recurring on average about every 1,400 years (Lund, 2005). Recurrence intervals on the adjacent Brigham City and Salt Lake City segments of the Wasatch fault zone are similar to that of the Weber segment, but the timing of the last earthquake along the latter segment is not identical. Because the Kayville quadrangle will be subject to strong ground shaking from earthquakes on adjacent segments as well as the Weber segment (see, for example, Solomon and others, 2003), the earthquake risk in the quadrangle from large earthquakes along the Wasatch fault zone is greater than the risk posed by the Weber segment alone.

The prehistoric Farmington Sliding landslide complex (first mapped by Van Torn, 1975), in the southwestern part of the Kayville quadrangle and northern part of the adjacent Farmington quadrangle, is evidence of one of the hazards posed by large earthquakes. This landslide complex, covering an area of about 7.5 mi² (19.5 km²), comprises some of the largest landslides triggered by earthquakes in the United States. Mass movement within the landslide complex was probably a combination of landslides and debris flows. The landslide complex may have occurred four times between about 14,500 and 2370 years ago (Hyland and Lowe, 1998; Harty and Lowe, 2003).

Several recent landslides have occurred in the Kayville quadrangle under static (non-earthquake) conditions, damaging a number of homes. Recent landslides include the 1978 debris landslide near the Cedar Bend, Kay Creek (SPEI/SF14/section 10, T. 35 N., R. 1 W.) (Giraud, 1999a), an unnamed landslide on the South Fork Kay Creek (SPEI/SF14/section 15, T. 35 N., R. 1 W.) (Giraud, 1999b), and the 2004 Hillfield Drive landslide on the South Fork Kay Creek (SPEI/SF14/section 15, T. 35 N., R. 1 W.) (Giraud, 2002). These landslides were the result of partial reactivation of prehistoric landslides, which are common in the northeastern part of the Kayville quadrangle and may be targets for future development. Reactivation is likely due to higher ground-water levels caused by increased precipitation and landslide migration (Ashland, 2003). Lowe (1989) compiled mapping of other historical landslide deposits.

Debris flows and debris floods have also occurred in the Kayville quadrangle during historical time, causing considerable damage to engineered structures and property. Many debris flows occurred in 1983 following a period of unusually heavy precipitation and rapid spring snowmelt (Kaiser and Slosson, 1988), and one in 1984 damaged a house in the northeast corner of the Kayville quadrangle (Harty and others, 1992). Another debris flow in 2004 damaged a house in the southeast corner of the quadrangle (Hyland and others, 2003). Debris flows, consisting of a muddy slurry, may originate on steep slopes and in stream channels in the Wasatch Range but can deposit debris over large areas on alluvial fans at and beyond canyon mouths. Debris flows, consisting of mixtures of soil, organic material, and rock debris transported by fast-moving flood waters, may travel farther than debris flows to more distal parts of alluvial fans.

Expansive soils may be found locally in the Kayville quadrangle. Such soils contain large amounts of clay that have a high potential for shrinking and swelling due to hydration and drying. Over time, these volumetric changes can cause significant damage to buildings and infrastructure. Erickson and Wilson (1968) mapped expansive soils in the central and west parts of the quadrangle, developed on fine-grained clay and clay deposited by Lake Bonneville. These soils also contribute to the landslide hazard because of their lack of cohesion when wet.

The potential for elevated levels of indoor radon in the Kayville quadrangle is generally highest in benches along the Wasatch Range front, and decreases to the west (Black and Solomon, 1996). The decreasing hazard potential is related to (1) lower permeability in fine-grained deposits which impedes the flow of radon gas, (2) shallower ground water which traps radon gas and prevents the dissolved gas from entering foundation openings, and (3) decreasing concentrations of uranium and thorium (the parent elements of radon) away from the range front. The hazard potential is commonly high in benches underlain by well-sorted and highly permeable, sandy deposits, and moderate to high in benches underlain by sand and gravel, moderate to high in areas underlain by similar detrital deposits in the north part of the quadrangle, moderate west of the benches in areas underlain by shoreline deposits and shallower ground water, and low in low-lying areas to the west underlain by impermeable fine-grained silt and clay saturated by shallow ground water (Black, 1993).

MAP UNIT DESCRIPTIONS

QUATERNARY

Alluvial deposits

Modern (level 1) stream deposits (upper Holocene) – Moderately to well-sorted sand, silt, clay, and pebbles to cobble gravel in narrow stream channels and flood plains; clast-supported coarse-grained deposits common near the range front; locally includes small alluvial-fan and colluvial deposits, and small terrace deposits up to 10 feet (3 m) above current stream level, equivalent to the younger part of Qal, but differentiated where deposits can be mapped separately, mapped principally along the lower reaches, commonly less than 20 feet (6 m) thick.

Level 2 stream deposits (middle Holocene to upper Pleistocene) – Moderately sorted, clast-supported pebbles and cobbles gravel, sand, and gravely sand in incised stream channels and flood plains, equivalent to the older part of Qal, but differentiated where deposits can be mapped separately; mapped in abandoned benches at least 30 feet (10 m) above active stream channels along modern drainages from Kay Creek northeast, in abandoned channels in the north part of the quadrangle, moderate west of the benches in areas underlain by shoreline deposits and shallower ground water, and low in low-lying areas to the west underlain by impermeable fine-grained silt and clay saturated by shallow ground water (Black, 1993).

Stream-terrace deposits (middle Holocene to upper Pleistocene) – Moderately sorted, clast-supported pebbles and cobbles gravel and gravely sand that form level to gently sloping terraces deposited by the Weber River in stream channels and flood plains southwest of the mouth of Weber Canyon; subunit denotes height above the modern flood plain; level 1 deposits are 50 to 65 feet (15–20 m) above the modern flood plain; level 2 deposits are 65 to 75 feet (20–23 m) above the modern flood plain, and level 3 deposits are 75 to 80 feet (23–24 m) above the modern flood plain, commonly less than 20 feet (6 m) thick.

Stream deposits, undivided (Holocene to upper Pleistocene) – Moderately sorted sand, silt, clay, and pebbles to cobble gravel deposited in stream channels and flood plains after regression of Lake Bonneville from the Provo level; includes older stream deposits (Qal₁) created by active stream channels and modern stream deposits (Qal₂) that are too small to map separately from older stream deposits, locally includes small alluvial-fan and colluvial deposits, mapped along streams near the range front, commonly less than 20 feet (6 m) thick.

Modern (level 1) alluvial-fan deposits (upper Holocene) – Poorly to moderately sorted, weakly to non-stratified, silt- to boulder-size sediment deposited principally by debris flows and debris floods at the mouths of mountain-front canyons; upper parts characterized by abundant boulders and debris-low levees that radiate away from the fan apex; small, fin-grained alluvial-fan deposits are found on gentle slopes in the northern part of the quadrangle, deposited by shallow, dispersive flows, equivalent to the younger part of Qal₁ but differentiated where deposits can be mapped separately; commonly overlies lacustrine and older alluvial-fan deposits; debris-flow and debris-flow hazards are highest on modern alluvial fans, but undrained equivalents within younger alluvial fans (Qal₂), and debris-flow deposits (Qal₃), less than 30 feet (9 m) thick.

Level 2 alluvial-fan deposits (middle Holocene to upper Pleistocene) – Commonly poorly sorted sand, silt, clay, and minor pebbles deposited in the southwest part of the quadrangle, where stream flow from major drainages lost confinement and occurred on a gently sloping plain near the Great Salt Lake shore; also found as poorly to moderately sorted, silt- to boulder-size sediment at the mouths of minor drainages along the mountain front, mostly south of Fair Canyon, deposited by debris flows and debris floods graded to or slightly above modern stream level; equivalent to the older part of Qal₁, but differentiated where deposits can be mapped separately; commonly overlies or incised into lacustrine deposits, probably less than 30 feet (9 m) thick.

Nelson and Persson (1993) mapped level 2 alluvial-fan deposits at the surface of the graben at the site of the 1978 research trench excavated across the Weber segment of the Wasatch fault zone. When the trench was reexcavated in 1988, McCalpin and others (1994) interpreted surficial sediment filling the graben above sediment equivalent to level 2 alluvial-fan deposits in the trench as a continuation of hillside colluvium, stream alluvium, and pond deposits. The surficial graben sediment is here mapped as mixed alluvial and colluvial deposits (Qac). McCalpin and others (1994) reported a calendar-calibrated radiocarbon age of 2,297–326±348 cal yr B.P. on a buried paleosol developed on hilllope colluvium above sediment equivalent to level 2 alluvial-fan deposits, and calendar-calibrated radiocarbon ages of 737±243±187 and 600±180±272 cal yr B.P. on an overlying paleosol beneath younger colluvial and pond deposits.

Younger alluvial-fan deposits, undivided (Holocene to upper Pleistocene) – Poorly to moderately sorted, weakly to non-stratified, silt- to boulder-size sediment deposited principally by debris flows, debris floods, and streams, equivalent to modern and level 2 alluvial-fan deposits (Qal₁ and Qal₂) that are undifferentiated because units are complexly overlapping or too small to show separately; also mapped where the age of Holocene alluvial-fan deposits is uncertain; upper parts of fans are locally deeply incised, occurs near canyon mouths along the mountain front, probably less than 40 feet (12 m) thick.

Alluvial-fan deposits related to the Provo (regressive) phase of the Bonneville lake cycle (upper Pleistocene) – Poorly to moderately sorted, silt- to cobble-size sediment, with local boulders, deposited principally by debris flows whose surfaces are graded to the Provo shoreline at the mouth of Fair Canyon, incised by active streams; probably less than about 40 feet (12 m) thick.

Alluvial-fan deposits related to the Bonneville (transgressive) phase of the Bonneville lake cycle (upper Pleistocene) – Poorly to moderately sorted, silt- to cobble-size sediment, with local boulders, deposited principally by debris flow whose surfaces are graded to the Bonneville shoreline; locally wealdly composed by calcareous carbonate, surfaces are incised by active streams; mapped at the mouths of several drainages from South Fork Kay Creek northwest, probably less than about 40 feet (12 m) thick.

Older alluvial-fan deposits (upper to middle Pleistocene) – Poorly to moderately sorted, weakly to non-stratified, silt- to boulder-size sediment deposited principally by debris flows, mapped near canyon mouths of Middle Fork Kay Creek and a small drainage south of Hobbs Canyon, truncated by, and thus prostates, the Bonneville shoreline; exposed thickness as much as 150 feet (45 m).

Artificial deposits

Artificial fill (historical) – Engineered fill used as debris-basin dams across several large streams draining the Wasatch Range, and a small area of fill on a slope underlying an irrigation pond near South Weber (the site of the Cedar Bend landslide; Solomon, 1999); unmapped fill may be present in any developed area.

Colluvial deposits

Colluvial deposits (Holocene to upper Pleistocene) – Poorly to moderately sorted, angular, clay- to boulder-size, locally derived sediment deposited by rock fall, slopewash, and soil creep on moderate to steep mountain-front spurs above the Bonneville shoreline; most bedrock is covered by at least a thin veneer of colluvium, and only the larger, thicker deposits are mapped, maximum thickness about 20 feet (6 m).

Eolian deposits

Eolian dunes (Holocene to upper Pleistocene) – Very fine sand and siltly sand, moderately to well-sorted, with low profile; dunes in the north-west part of the quadrangle, derived from reworked Lake Bonneville detrital deposits, the dunes are visible on 1958 aerial photographs, but most have since been removed by grading during development, minimum thickness 3 feet (1 m).

Lacustrine deposits

Lacustrine mud (Holocene) – Poorly sorted clay, silt, and minor sand deposited in mud flats or playas exposed by fluctuations of Great Salt Lake; local accumulations of gypsum halite, and other salts form a thin crust on the ground surface; generally less than 10 feet (3 m) thick.

Lacustrine silt and clay deposits (Holocene to upper Pleistocene) – Poorly sorted silt, clay, and minor sand deposited in deep and (or) quiet water of Lake Bonneville and below the Gilbert shoreline, of Great Salt Lake; commonly calcareous; typically laminated or thin bedded; ostracodes locally common; grades upward into lacustrine sand, silt, and detrital deposits; mapped on gentle slopes below the Provo shoreline where deposits cannot be correlated with a specific phase of the Bonneville lake cycle; etched by the Gilbert shoreline, minor shorelines above the Gilbert shoreline from the regressive phase of Lake Bonneville, and clay-shadings below the Gilbert shoreline from the transgressive phase of the Bonneville lake cycle; a small part of the earlier Stanbury shoreline from the transgressive phase of Lake Bonneville is mapped in Qlf on the east edge of Kayville, extending to the southeast into lacustrine sand and silt (Qslp); generally less than 15 feet (5 m) thick.

Lacustrine sand and silt related to the Provo (regressive) phase of the Bonneville lake cycle (upper Pleistocene) – Fine to coarse-grained lacustrine sand and silt with minor gravel deposited at and below the Provo shoreline; locally overlain by a thin veneer of eolian sand; grades downslope into fine-grained Lake Bonneville deposits and laterally northwest to sandy detrital deposits (Qslp); typically, thick bedded and well-sorted; gastropods locally common; deposited in relatively shallow water in beaches and at the mouths of larger canyons, in deltas that no longer retain distinctive morphology, as much as 50 feet (15 m) thick.

Deltaic deposits related to the Provo (regressive) phase of the Bonneville lake cycle (upper Pleistocene) – Thin to thick beds of moderately to well-sorted, moderately to well-sorted sand, siltly sand and gravely sand, locally overlain by a thin veneer of eolian sand and partly cemented with calcareous carbonate; mapped along the relatively steep delta front at the distal part of the Weber River delta; maximum thickness may be as much as 100 feet (30 m).

The Weber River delta includes deltaic deposits related to both the transgressive (Qlb) and regressive phases of the Bonneville lake cycle. However, Bonneville deposits may have buried deltaic deposits from previous lake cycles. The Little Valley lake cycle, for example, preceded the Bonneville lake cycle and reached an elevation of about 4890 feet (1490 m) between about 90,000 and 150,000 years ago (Scott and others, 1983). I found no evidence of Weber River deltaic deposits from previous lake cycles in the Kayville quadrangle, and Lemons and others (1996) found no evidence of previous lake cycles in 27 outcrops excavated throughout the Weber River delta. Lemons and others (1983) also found that the sediment volume of the delta is consistent with the area of the drainage basin from which the sediment was derived; gravelly sand contains fragments of Lake Bonneville deposition. This implies that the Weber River delta is the result of deposition only during the Bonneville lake cycle and not during previous cycles.

Lacustrine sand and silt of the Bonneville lake cycle, undivided (upper Pleistocene) – Fine to coarse-grained lacustrine sand and silt with minor gravel; mapped along the Weber River delta; grades downslope into fine-grained Lake Bonneville deposits and laterally northwest to sandy detrital Lake Bonneville deposits (Qlb); typically, thick bedded and well-sorted; gastropods locally common; deposited in relatively shallow water in beaches and at the mouths of larger canyons, deltas that no longer retain distinctive morphology; mapped near the base of the Wasatch Range north of Fair Canyon, as much as 50 feet (15 m) thick.

Lacustrine gravel and sand related to the Bonneville (transgressive) phase of the Bonneville lake cycle (upper Pleistocene) – Moderately to well-sorted, moderately to well-sorted, clast-supported, pebbles to cobble gravel interbedded with lesser amounts of pebbly sand and clean sand, deposited between the Bonneville and Provo shorelines; thin to thick bedded; gastropods locally common in sandy lenses; locally partly cemented with calcareous carbonate; typically forms a bench along the Bonneville shoreline near the base of the Wasatch Range; locally as much as 200 feet (60 m) thick.

Deltaic deposits related to the Bonneville (transgressive) phase of the Bonneville lake cycle (upper Pleistocene) – Moderately to well-sorted, moderately to well-sorted sand, siltly sand and gravely sand, siltly sand and gravely sand, clay content increases downward and westward; thin to thick bedded, partly cemented with calcareous carbonate and locally overlain by a thin veneer of eolian sand. Mapped at two locations on the Weber River delta: (1) between the Provo and Bonneville shorelines in the north-central part of the quadrangle, east of Hill Air Force Base, incised by linear channels, the channels (Qcd/Qld) probably record scarp into the delta during the rapid drawdown of the lake as it fell from the Bonneville shoreline to the Provo shoreline when the lake's threshold in Idaho failed (O'Connor, 1993); and (2) below the Provo shoreline in the northwest part of the quadrangle, between Layton and Clearfield; the eastward extension of deltaic deposits on the south flank of a ridge on the border between the adjacent Clearfield and Roy quadrangles interpreted by Sack (2005a, 2005b) as a landscape component created during the transgressive phase of Lake Bonneville. Maximum thickness about 70 feet (20 m).

Mass-movement deposits

Debris-flow deposits (upper Holocene) – Very poorly sorted, subangular, cobble- to boulder-size gravel in a matrix of silt, sand, and minor clay; unsorted and unstratified; deposits characterized by rubbly surface, debris-flow textures, and alluvial channels mapped near the mouth of Corbett Canyon in the northeast part of the quadrangle. Many debris flows occurred in 1983 following a period of unusually heavy precipitation and rapid spring snowmelt, but their deposits cannot be differentiated at map scale from landslide deposits at canyon mouths and most are mapped here as younger landslide deposits (Qny); other debris flows are too small to map and are included in units Qal₁, Qal₂, Qal₃, and Qal. Maximum thickness about 20 feet (6 m).

Lateral-spread deposits (Holocene to upper Pleistocene) – Clayey to sandy silt, well-sorted fine sand, siltly sand, and minor clay and gravel of the Bonneville lake cycle, redistributed by lateral spreading and flow as is the result of liquefaction; occurs longitudinal ridges and undulating deposits within the landslide complex, named the Farmington Sliding landslide by Van Torn (1975) for a location on the landslide where it extends southward into the adjacent Farmington quadrangle; a main scarp on the northern and northeastern margin of the landslide lies locally in the Kayville quadrangle. Miller (1980) identified what he believed to be another lateral-spread deposit west of Kayville; Harty and Lowe (2003) named it the West Kayville landslide and occurred with Miller's (1980) interpretation. The geomorphic features and deposits of the area are reinterpreted here to be the result of erosion of fine-grained detrital deposits (Qlb) by middle Holocene to Upper Pleistocene alluvial fans (Qal₂) and spring sapping (Qsm) of lake deposits along older lacustrine shorelines, leaving low knolls and mounds superficially resembling landslide hummocks and closed depressions. Thickness of the deposits is highly variable.

Landslide deposits, unit 1 (historical to middle Holocene) – Very poorly sorted clay, silt, sand, and minor gravel; grain size and texture varies with the nature of the source area; unit 1 landslides occur in bluffs bordering the Weber River flood plain and north of Kayville along steep bluffs incised by drainages following regression of Lake Bonneville, characterized by moderately to coarsely sorted and hummocky topography, with lobes; scarp in case of historical movement. Most unit 1 landslides along the Weber River originate in sandy Lake Bonneville detrital deposits, form gently sloping alluvial-fan shaped deposits overlying unit 2 landslide deposits on river terraces that fringe the bluffs, and apparently result from flow failure, perhaps liquefaction induced, of the bluff face, one landslide along the Weber River, the Cedar Bend landslide, is an earth slide resulting from fill failure on the slope bordering an irrigation pond (Solomon, 1999). Landslides along other drainages are found at and slightly below the gradational contact between overlying Lake Bonneville sand and silt and underlying silt and clay and are the result of a combination of rotational and translational earth slides; parts of several of these landslides have been historically reactivated, resulting in damage to roads and houses. Thickness of the deposits is highly variable.

Landslide deposits, unit 2 (middle Holocene to upper Pleistocene) – Very poorly sorted clay, silt, and minor gravel; grain size and texture varies with the nature of the Lake Bonneville detrital deposits in the source area; unit 2 landslides are found in steep bluffs bordering the Weber River flood plain and extend on to the adjacent stream terraces; the landslide deposits are rounded, heavily vegetated, and incised by alcoves formed from unit 1 landslides, suggesting that unit 2 deposits predate unit 1 deposits; unit 1 and unit 2 landslide deposits along the bluffs in the Kayville quadrangle are the southeastern extension of the South Weber landslide complex mapped by Pasley and Wigwag (1972); thickness of the deposits is highly variable.

Younger landslide deposits, undivided (historical to upper Pleistocene) – Very poorly sorted, clay- to boulder-size gravel in a matrix of silt, sand, clay, and pebbles; grain size and texture varies with the nature of the detrital deposits in the source area. Younger landslide deposits are found near Adams, Hobbs, and Holmes Reservoirs and along the Wasatch Range front; deposits along steep bluffs near the reservoirs are derived from Lake Bonneville deposits incised by drainages following regression of Lake Bonneville and resemble unit 1 landslide deposits, but lack relatively fresh scarps; younger landslide deposits along the range front are derived from the Farmington Canyon Complex (Xfs) and either result from incision of drainages after Lake Bonneville regression, obscure the Bonneville shoreline, or create Lake Bonneville shorelines; younger landslide deposits may include unit 1 and unit 2 landslide deposits that are undifferentiated because units complexly overlap; thickness of the deposits is highly variable.

Older landslide deposits (upper to middle Pleistocene) – Very poorly sorted, clay- to boulder-size gravel in a matrix of silt, sand, clay, and pebbles; older landslides are mapped along the Wasatch Range front, one south of Hobbs Canyon, another north of Adams Canyon, and two small deposits south of Fair Canyon; older landslide deposits are derived from the Farmington Canyon Complex and are cut by the Bonneville shoreline and thus predate Lake Bonneville regression; thickness of the deposits is highly variable.

Spring deposits

Marsh deposits (Holocene) – Wet, fine-grained, organic-rich sediment associated with springs, ponds, seeps, and wetlands along the shore of Great Salt Lake; thickness commonly less than 5 feet (1.5 m).

Mixed-environment deposits

Alluvial and colluvial deposits, undifferentiated (Holocene to upper Pleistocene) – Poorly to moderately sorted, generally poorly stratified, clay- to boulder-size, locally derived sediment deposited in drainages along the Wasatch Range front by fluvial, rock-fall, slopewash, and creep processes; generally less than 30 feet (9 m) thick.

Lacustrine and alluvial deposits, undifferentiated (Holocene to upper Pleistocene) – Silt, clay, and minor sand in fluvially reworked lake deposits and lake and alluvial-fan deposits undifferentiated because units complexly overlap, less than 10 feet (3 m) thick.

Stacked-unit deposits

Modern alluvial-fan deposits over lacustrine mud (Holocene) – Lacustrine mud along the shore of Great Salt Lake emplaced by a thin veneer of level 1 alluvial-fan deposits at the mouths of small streams; surficial deposits are generally less than 5 feet (2 m) thick.

Alluvial-fan deposits related to the Provo (regressive) phase of the Bonneville lake cycle over detrital deposits related to the Bonneville (transgressive) phase of the Bonneville lake cycle (upper Pleistocene) – A thin layer of reworked detrital silt and sand deposited in linear alluvial-fan channels and the adjacent distal fan from the Weber River delta by scouring during the rapid drawdown of the lake as it fell from the Bonneville shoreline to the Provo shoreline when the lake's threshold in Idaho failed (O'Connor, 1993); surface of the alluvial-fan deposits are graded to the Provo-level delta; thickness of surficial deposits is unknown but probably less than 3 feet (1 m) thick.

Lacustrine sand and silt related to the Provo (regressive) phase of the Bonneville lake cycle over detrital deposits related to the Bonneville (transgressive) phase of the Bonneville lake cycle (upper Pleistocene) – A thin veneer of regressive lacustrine silt and sand reworked from underlying transgressive detrital sediment on a large slope extending westward into the adjacent Clearfield quadrangle; Sack (2005b) referred to this slope as the Clearfield slope, which lies between surficial transgressive detrital sediment and the Gilbert shoreline and is etched by regressive shorelines; surficial deposits are generally less than 10 feet (3 m) thick.

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PRECAMBRIAN

Farmington Canyon Complex (Early Proterozoic) – Metamorphic and igneous rocks, not mapped in detail for this study; Bryant (1984) concluded that these rocks in the Kayville quadrangle record a late Archean metamorphic event, but Barnett and others (1993) and Nelson and others (2002) found evidence that metamorphism was Early Proterozoic, affecting rocks either initially deposited as Archean sediment or Early Proterozoic sediment incorporating material eroded from nearby Archean crust; Yenkee and Lowe (2007) supported this interpretation and provided further interpretations based on detailed mapping of the Farmington Canyon Complex in the adjacent Ogden 7.5-minute quadrangle.

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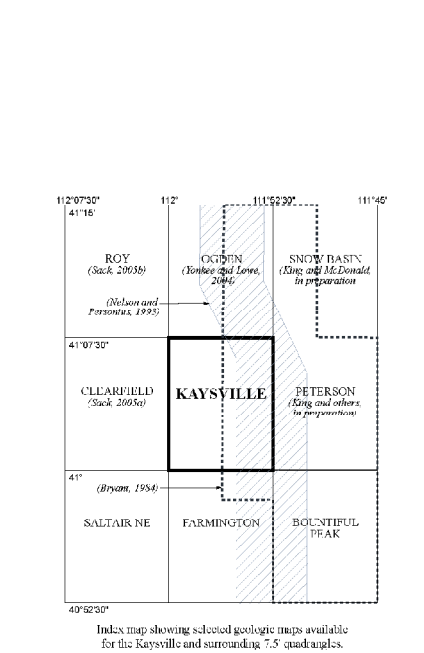
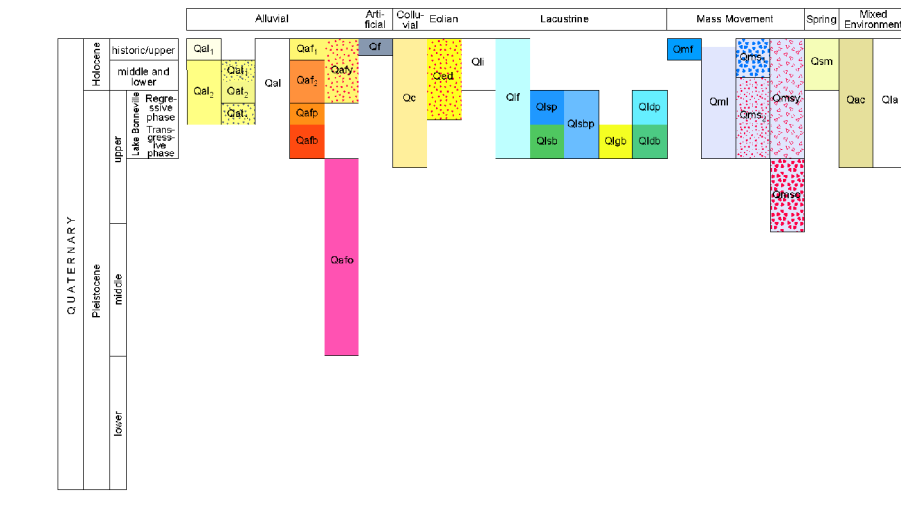


Table 1. Ages and elevations of major shorelines of Lake Bonneville and Great Salt Lake in the Kayville quadrangle.

Lake Cycle and Phase	Shoreline (map symbol)	Age ^a calendar years B.P.	Elevation (feet/meters)
Lake Bonneville	Transgressive Phase		
	Stanbury (S)	24,400–23,200	4,510–4,520 (1,375–1,378)
	Bonneville (B)	18,000–16,800	5,200–5,230 (1,585–1,595)
Regressive Phase	Provo (P)	16,800–13,500	4,700–4,820 (1,400–1,470)
	Gilbert (G)	12,800–11,600	4,240–4,245 (1,292–1,294)
Great Salt Lake	Holocene highland (H)	3,400	4,217–4,221 (1,285–1,287)

^aAll calendar-calibrated ages are from D.R. Curry, University of Utah (written communication to Utah Geological Survey, 1990) except for the age of end of the Provo shoreline. Geddes and others (2005) revised the timing of the occupation of the Provo shoreline and subsequent regression. Calendar-calibrated ages are derived from radiocarbon ages. Oviatt and Thompson (2002) summarized many recent changes in the interpretation of the Lake Bonneville radiocarbon chronology. The most recent radiocarbon chronology is the summary in from Oviatt (2007), which modified data published by Oviatt and others (1990).

CORRELATION OF QUATERNARY UNITS



All Locations are Approximate.
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