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Plate 1

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Figure 1. Shaded-relief map of Winnebago County.

EXPLANATION

- Peat.** Unit **p**: peat on low-lying, flat to low-relief surfaces; typically between 1 and 3 m thick. Unit **pl**: peat over lake sediment. Unit **pg**: peat overlying sandy till of the Horicon Member of the Holy Hill Formation or clayey and silty till of the Kirby Lake Member of the Kewaunee Formation.
- Postglacial stream sediment.** Commonly consists of silty, clayey sediment and some channel sand and silt; typically between 1 and 15 m thick. Unit **s**: deposited in floodplains adjacent to postglacial streams. Unit **sp**: similar to unit **s**, but commonly overlain by peat less than 1 m thick.
- Hillslope sediment.** Primarily sand, silt, and clay eroded from adjacent up-land areas (those areas mapped as unit **gk**); usually between 1 to 2 m thick.
- Windblown sand.** Unit **w**: between 2 and 7 m thick, dunes generally no more than 5 m high; most sand deposited immediately following deglaciation. Unit **wg**: overlies red, clayey, silty till of the Kirby Lake Member of the Kewaunee Formation. Unit **wl**: overlies lake sediment.
- Lake sediment of the Kewaunee Formation, undifferentiated.** Sediment of glacial Lake Oshkosh. Unit **l**: largely sand near the shoreline, grading to silt and clay where deposited in deeper water; typically between 1 m and tens of meters thick. Unit **lw**: lake sediment covered with thin patches of wind-blown sand; generally less than 2 m thick.
- Meltwater-stream sediment.** Silty sand and gravel deposited directly by streams originating from the margin of the Green Bay Lobe; commonly between 1 m and several tens of meters thick. Unit **sa**: meltwater-stream sediment deposited in an alluvial fan or delta immediately adjacent to a moraine. Unit **su**: meltwater-stream sediment deposited in proglacial river channels or in tunnel channels beneath the margin of the Green Bay Lobe. Unit **se**: eroded meltwater-stream sediment; postglacial erosion resulted in gullied topography.
- Till of the Middle Inlet Member of the Kewaunee Formation.** Red, clayey silt with some gravel deposited by the Green Bay Lobe; generally at least 3 m thick.
- Till of the Kirby Lake Member of the Kewaunee Formation.** Red, clayey silt; contains some gravel deposited by the Green Bay Lobe; generally at least 3 m thick. Unit **gk**: low-relief, nondescript topography; generally draped over pre-existing topography; till in places less than 3 m thick. Unit **gkw**: similar to unit **gk**, but covered with thin (less than 2 m thick) patches of windblown sand. Unit **gkl**: similar to unit **gk**, but covered with thin (generally less than 2 m thick) patches of lake sediment.
- Till of the Horicon Member of the Holy Hill Formation.** Yellow-brown to reddish-brown, gravelly, clayey, silty sand deposited by the Green Bay Lobe; generally at least 3 m thick. Unit **gh**: areas of rolling topography and no drumlins. Unit **ghw**: similar to unit **gh**, but covered with thin (generally less than 2 m thick) patches of windblown sand. Unit **ghs**: areas of rolling topography with drumlins. Unit **ghd**: areas of low-relief, nondescript topography; till is generally draped over pre-existing topography.
- Bedrock.** Ordovician dolomite and sandstone and Cambrian sandstone. Many of these areas contain quarries that once were covered with less than 1 m of glacial sediment.

SYMBOLS

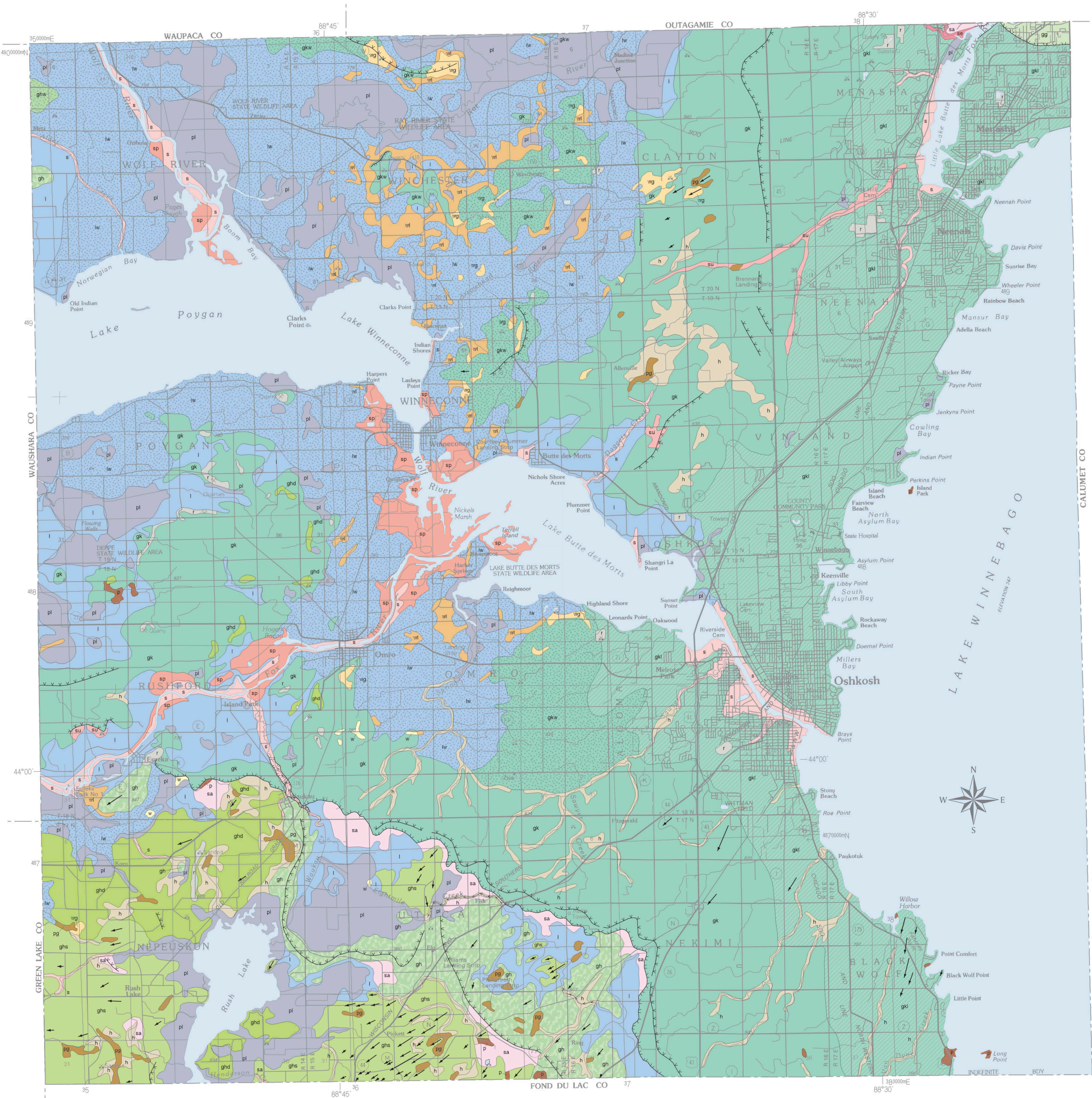
- Contact
- Meltwater channel
- Moraine crest
- Drumlin crest
- Ice-margin limit
- Steep slope

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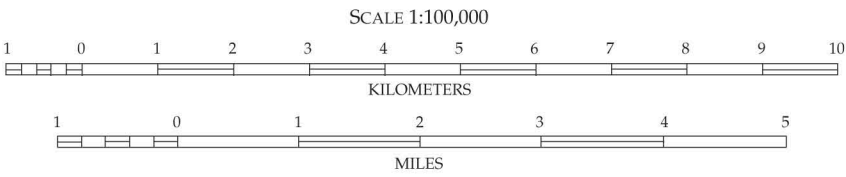
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Wisconsin Transverse Mercator Projection
1991 adjustment to the North American Datum of 1983 (NAD 83/91)

The base map was constructed from U.S. Geological Survey digital line graph files (1990, scale 1:100,000) and modified by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (1992) and the Wisconsin Geological and Natural History Survey (2004).



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PLATE 1. QUATERNARY GEOLOGIC MAP OF WINNEBAGO COUNTY, WISCONSIN.