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# **Bedrock Topography of Boone and Winnebago Counties, Illinois**



Greater than 95
900 - 950
850 - 900
800 - 850
750 - 800
700 - 750
650 - 700
600 - 650
550 - 600
500 - 550
450 - 500
Less than 450





US Highway State Highway

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The map of bedrock topography shows the elevation of the top surface of the consolidated rocks that lie at or beneath the land surface. Bedrock topography illustrates pre-glacial topographic features of the two- county study area. In northwest Winnebago County, there is little difference between the land surface and bedrock surface in the uplands; a 0 to 5 m (16 ft.) thick veneer of glacial till and/or loess overlying near- surface bedrock generally characterizes these areas. In contrast, the bedrock surface is more than 100 m (328 ft.) below the land surface in deep bedrock valleys. The Rock, Troy, and Pecatonica bedrock valleys are clearly discernable on the bedrock topography map. These valleys were incised prior to glaciation in the region and are now filled with glaciofluvial sediments, primarily sand and gravel. Although the Rock and Pecatonica bedrock valleys presently contain rivers bearing the same names, the Troy bedrock valley has no expression at the land surface today. Unconsolidated Quaternary deposits are generally thicker toward the east, resulting in very few bedrock exposures in Boone County.

This map was created to assist in determining the subcropping pattern of bedrock units (McGarry, 2000). Stecyk's (1983) map of the bedrock topography was edited to more accurately reflect the variations in topography in the northwest portion of Winnebago County, based on field mapping, and to account for well data that were not available in 1983. Bedrock is very near the land surface in the northwest portion of the study area, but Stecyk's (1983) map showed areas where the bedrock surface was more than 15 m (50 ft.) below the land surface. Land surface elevations from USGS topographic quadrangles were used to modify the bedrock topography map to reflect shallow bedrock. In areas where new well data indicated a difference in bedrock elevation from that mapped by Stecyk, the map was altered to reflect the new data. Overall, about 60% of the original map was altered.

Data used to create this map were compiled from ISGS well logs, Illinois Department of Transportation borings, United States Department of Agriculture soil survey maps, United States Geological Survey 7.5- minute topographic quadrangle maps, and field observations.

### **T44N References:**

McGarry, C.S. (2000) Bedrock Geology of Boone and Winnebago Counties, Illinois: Illinois State Geological Survey, Open File Series 2000- 3, scale 1:100,000.

Stecyk, A.N. (1983) Topography of the Bedrock Surface of Boone and Winnebago Counties: Illinois State Geological Survey, 1:62,500.

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