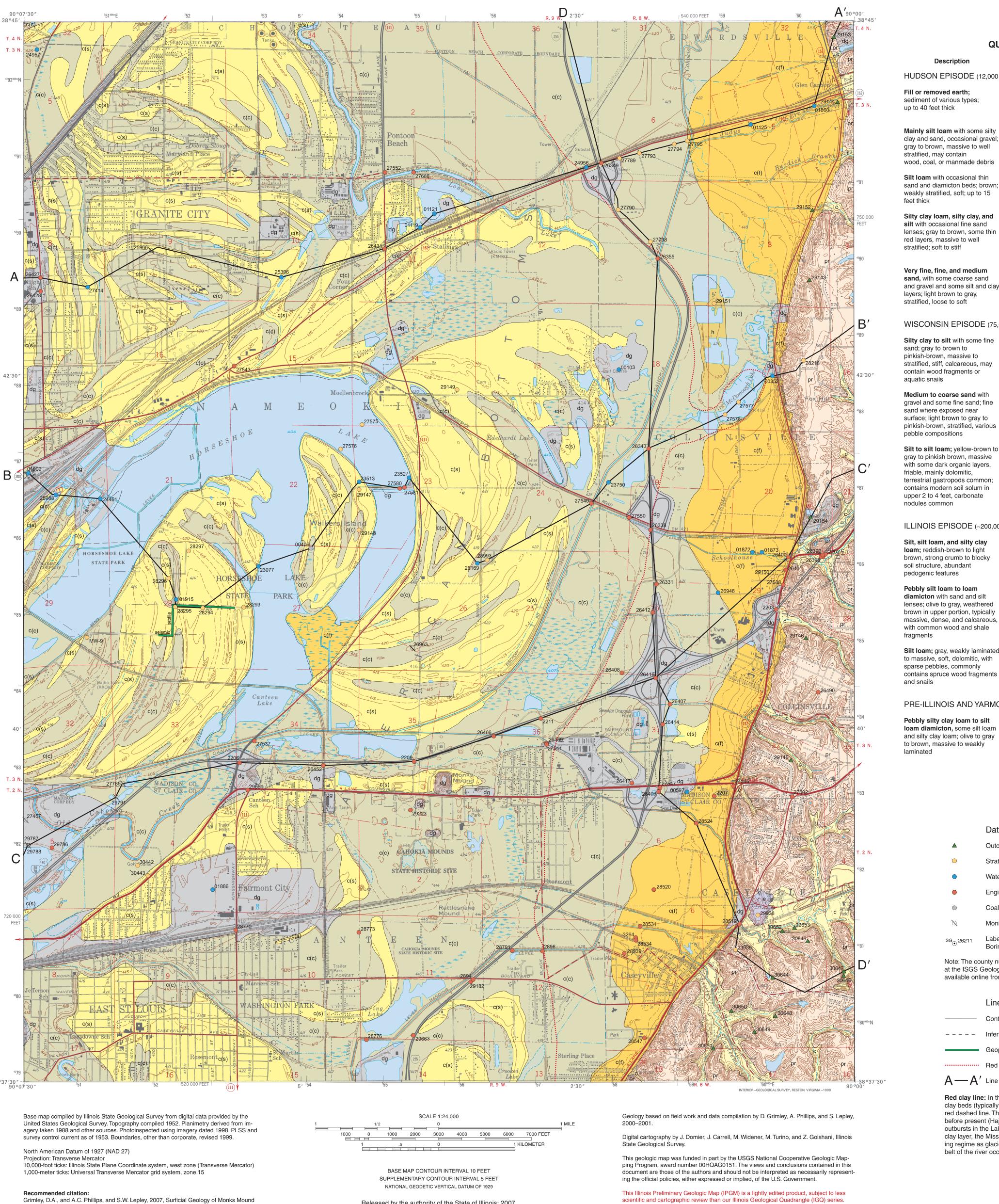
## SURFICIAL GEOLOGY OF MONKS MOUND QUADRANGLE MADISON AND ST. CLAIR COUNTIES, ILLINOIS

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Illinois Preliminary Geologic Map **IPGM Monks Mound-SG** 



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ROAD CLASSIFICATION Primary highway, Light-duty road, hard or improved surface hard surface Secondary highway, hard surface Unimproved road Interstate Route U.S. Route State Route

Description Interpretation HUDSON EPISODE (12,000 years before present (B.P.) to today)

**QUATERNARY DEPOSITS** 

Fill or removed earth; sediment of various types; up to 40 feet thick

Disturbed ground

Man-made materials in interstate interchanges, landfills, sand and gravel pits, borrow pits, and Native American earthen mounds

Mainly silt loam with some silty clay and sand, occasional gravel; gray to brown, massive to well stratified, may contain wood, coal, or manmade debris

Cahokia Formation (fan facies)

Cahokia Formation

(tributary facies)

Alluvium (river deposits) in upland tributaries; contains significant redeposited loess and historically eroded material

**Alluvium** deposited by distributary channels in fans;

weakly stratified, soft; up to 15 Silty clay loam, silty clay, and silt with occasional fine sand lenses; gray to brown, some thin red layers, massive to well

Cahokia Formation (clayey Mississippi Valley facies)

some mud flows Abandoned channel fill, swale fill, and backswamp alluvium; deposited in floodplain of Mississippi River; interfingers with fan and sandy facies of

includes much redeposited loess,

Very fine, fine, and medium sand, with some coarse sand and gravel and some silt and clay layers; light brown to gray, stratified, loose to soft

Cahokia Formation (sandy Mississippi Valley facies)

Cahokia Formation Point bar and channel alluvium of the Mississippi River floodplain; interfingers with clayey facies of Cahokia Formation

WISCONSIN EPISODE (75,000-12,000 years B.P.)

Silty clay to silt with some fine sand; gray to brown to pinkish-brown, massive to stratified, stiff, calcareous, may contain wood fragments or

Henry Formation

**Equality Formation** 

Lake deposits; below Cahokia Formation in Canteen and Little Canteen Creek Valleys; deposited by backflooding of Mississippi River during glacial

Outwash; deposited by the

**Medium to coarse sand** with gravel and some fine sand; fine surface; light brown to gray to pinkish-brown, stratified, various pebble compositions Silt to silt loam; yellow-brown to Peoria and Roxana Silts

Mississippi River; buried by postglacial Cahokia Formation over much of the quadrangle in the Mississippi Valley

gray to pinkish brown, massive with some dark organic layers, friable, mainly dolomitic, terrestrial gastropods common; contains modern soil solum in upper 2 to 4 feet, carbonate nodules common

Loess; including some slope deposits and redeposited loess; upper portion is Peoria Silt (tan to gray); lower portion is Roxana Silt (pink to tan-gray with higher clay content); thickest at crest of bluffs along the Mississippi Valley

ILLINOIS EPISODE (~200,000–130,000 years B.P.)

Silt, silt loam, and silty clay loam; reddish-brown to light brown, strong crumb to blocky soil structure, abundant pedogenic features

Glasford Formation diamicton with sand and silt (cross sections only) lenses; olive to gray, weathered brown in upper portion, typically massive, dense, and calcareous,

Teneriffe Silt Weathered loess and slope (cross sections only) sediments; mostly within solum of Sangamon Geosol (last interglacial soil)

quadrangle

preglacial valleys

with common wood and shale Silt loam; gray, weakly laminated to massive, soft, dolomitic, with sparse pebbles, commonly contains spruce wood fragments

Petersburg Silt (cross sections only) Lake sediment with ice-rafted pebbles; proglacial or slackwater lake origin; occurs below Glasford Formation in buried

Till and ice marginal sediment;

upper portions may be weathered

by Sangamon Geosol; occurs below loess in eastern edge of

PRE-ILLINOIS AND YARMOUTH EPISODE (~500,000–200,000 years B.P.)

Pebbly silty clay loam to silt loam diamicton, some silt loam and silty clay loam; olive to gray to brown, massive to weakly

Banner Formation (cross sections only) Till, lake deposits, and accretionary deposits; may contain Yarmouth Geosol (interglacial soil) weathering profile in upper 10 feet

Data Type

Outcrop Stratigraphic boring

Water well boring

Engineering boring

Coal boring

Monitoring well Labels indicate samples (s) or geophysical log (g).

Boring and outcrop labels indicate the county number. Note: The county number is a portion of the 12-digit API number on file at the ISGS Geological Records Unit. Most well and boring records are available online from the ISGS Web site.

Line Symbols

Contact

- - - - Inferred contact Geophysical profile transect

Red clay line

A - A' Line of cross section

Red clay line: In the American Bottoms, reddish silty clay loam to silty clay beds (typically 0.3-1.0 feet thick) are found at depth east of this red dashed line. The age of this clay is estimated to be ~9700 C<sup>14</sup> years before present (Hajic 1993) and is likely derived from glacial lake outbursts in the Lake Superior region. Following deposition of the red clay layer, the Mississippi River evolved from a braided to a meandering regime as glacier influences subsided. The post glacial meander belt of the river occurs west of this line.

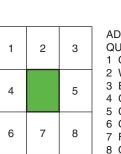




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