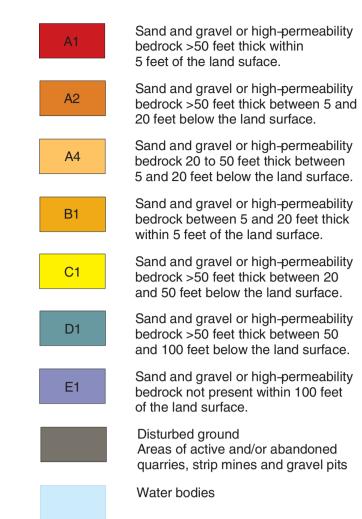


General Aquifer Sensitivity Map Ottawa Quadrangle, LaSalle County, Illinois

Aquifer Sensitivity Classification



Several data sources were used in the construction of this aquifer sensitivity map.

*Well log data from the Illinois State Geolgical Survey

*Soil Survey of LaSalle County, Illinois

*Surfical Geologic Map of the Ottawa 7.5' Quadrangle LaSalle County Illinois

*Field notes by Cady

*Field notes by Williman

Along the flood plain of the Illinois River the aquifer sensitivity is controlled by the St. Peter Sandstone. The LaSalle Anticline is just west of the Ottawa Quadrangle. From west to east the St. Peter Sandstone is dipping into the subsurface creating a step down pattern in the aquifer sensitivity classifications. In the center part of the quadrangle a glacial delta has deposited sands and gravels near the surface. In the southwestern part of the quadrangle an esker is also near the surface. Along Covel Creek the Galena-Platteville is exposed at the surface, and the alluvium is thick enough to be consider an aquifer. Finally, in the southeastern corner of the quadrangle the aquifer sensitivity is defined by the buried Ticona Bedrock Valley Aquifer.

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