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## ABSTRACT

### DEFORMATION, SANDSTONE DETRITAL ZIRCON AGES, AND PROVENANCE IN AND NEAR THE EOCENE LEAVENWORTH FAULT ZONE, WASHINGTON.

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The North Cascades is an excellent area to study basins and strike-slip faults that formed during regional transtension. This structural, petrographic, and U-Pb geochronological study focuses on the Eocene Leavenworth fault (LVF), which separates Eocene non-marine clastic rocks of the Chumstick Formation and older Swauk Formation. The LVF has been interpreted as a dextral strike-slip fault active during Chumstick deposition and as a reverse fault. Poles to beds ( $n=207$ ) in the Swauk Formation trend WNW, oblique to the  $\sim 320^\circ$ -striking LVF, and commonly dip SSW, defining a girdle and a fold axis plunging  $4^\circ$  toward  $297^\circ$ . Beds ( $n=50$ ) in the Chumstick Formation trend NW and generally dip NE, and poles to beds define a fold axis plunging  $13^\circ$  towards  $306^\circ$ . Overall, 70% of folds in the formations trend NW to WNW,  $<30^\circ$  counter-clockwise to the main strand of the LVF, compatible with dextral transpression. Most faults in the Swauk and Chumstick formations strike  $>45^\circ$  or  $<30^\circ$  to the main strand of the LVF. Their movement sense is unknown. Source terranes for the Swauk Formation likely include the Cascades crystalline core to the N and NE and a combination of other relatively local sources to the N, NE, and SW. Detrital zircon maximum depositional ages in the Swauk Formation range from  $67.2 \pm 1.9$  to  $50.46 \pm 0.17$  Ma, constraining the timing of deposition and early folding of the Swauk Formation. Distinctive  $\sim 91$  Ma tonalitic clasts in Chumstick conglomerate were likely transported  $\sim 20$  km from their source by dextral slip of the Leavenworth fault zone.

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## INTRODUCTION

The North Cascades of Washington is an excellent area to study basins and strike-slip faults that formed during regional transtension (Johnson, 1984; Evans, 1988). In this orogen, the Eocene collapse of the Cretaceous and Paleogene crystalline core of the North Cascades, a NW-striking plutonic and metamorphic complex that stretches from central Washington to southwestern British Columbia, overlapped rapid deposition in nonmarine, fault-bounded basins (Haugerud et al., 1991; Miller et al., 2016). Two of the major Eocene basins are the Swauk and the Chumstick basins. The thick clastic sediments of the Swauk basin were folded before these rocks were intruded by the Eocene (49.3 Ma) Teanaway dikes, which are associated with the basalt-dominated Teanaway Formation. The clastic sediments of the Chumstick Formation were deposited shortly following the intrusion of the Teanaway dikes (Tabor et al., 1982, 1984) (Fig. 1).

Major Paleogene high-angle faults that formed during transtension in the region are, from east to west, the Ross Lake fault, Entiat fault, Leavenworth fault, and Straight Creek fault (Fig. 1). They mostly trend NW, but the Straight Creek fault strikes north-south (Misch, 1966; Tabor et al., 1982, 1987). The Ross Lake fault zone is a complex structure with both Eocene normal slip and dextral strike-slip (Miller, 1994). For the most part, this fault separates high-grade gneisses and plutons from low-grade rocks (Misch, 1966). The Entiat fault strikes NW and in part separates the Chumstick basin from crystalline rocks. The Entiat fault also divides the two blocks that comprise the North Cascades core. Southwest of the fault is the Wenatchee block, which contains 96-88 Ma plutons and host rocks, and to the northeast are the 96-45 Ma plutons of the Chelan block, which intrude

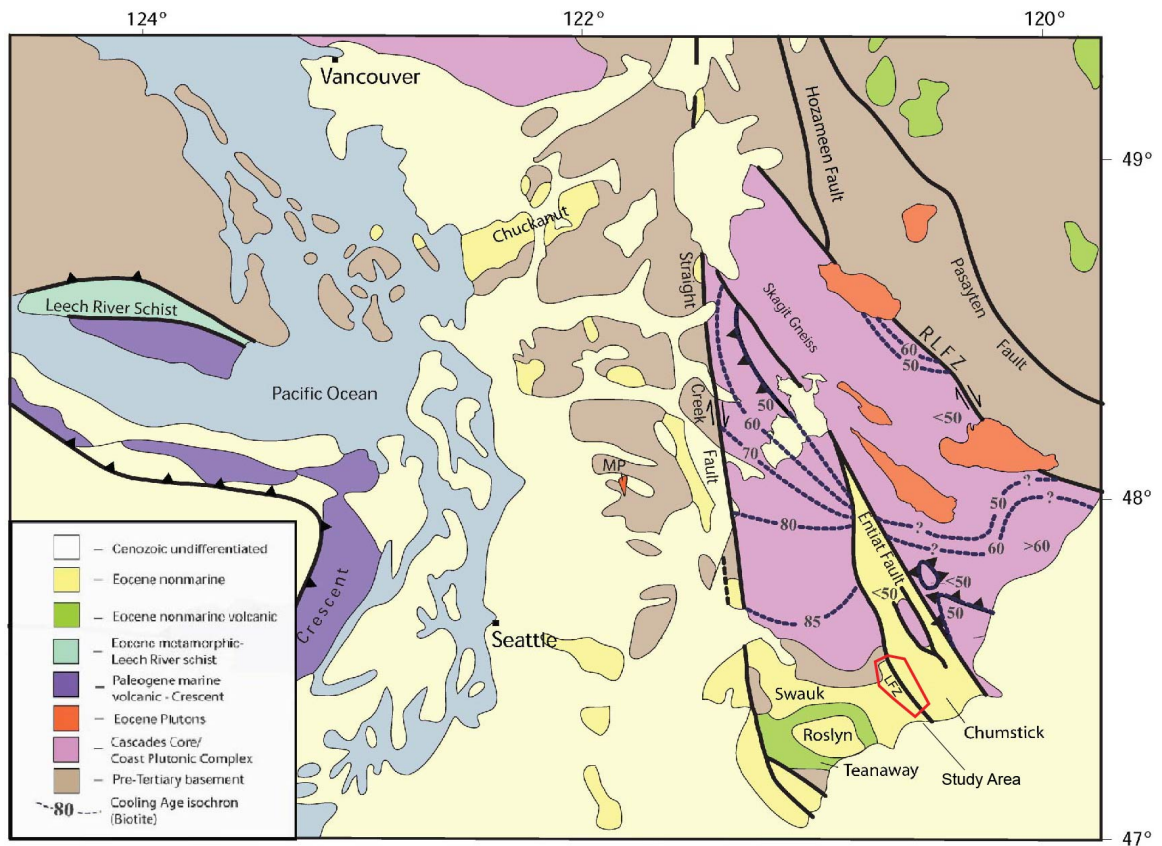


Figure 1. Simplified geologic map emphasizing major Eocene structures of the Cascades core and adjacent areas. Study area shown in red. MP= Mount Pilchuck, LFZ = Leavenworth fault zone, and RLFZ = Ross Lake fault zone. Cooling ages in the Cascades core also shown. Figure modified from Miller et al. (2016).

the Napeequa unit and Cascade River-Holden unit of the core (Tabor et al., 1987) (Fig. 2).

The Straight Creek fault is one of the most significant structures in the North Cascades (Fig. 1). It trends north-south and separates crystalline rocks to the east from low-grade, accreted oceanic and arc terranes to the west (Misch, 1966; Tabor et al., 1984). The Straight Creek fault dextrally offsets pre-Cenozoic rocks 80 to 190 km, as well as the Eocene Swauk Formation from the Chuckanut Formation (e.g., Tabor et al., 1989; Umhoefer and Miller, 1996). Offset began by 48 Ma in the south and ceased by 34 Ma (Tabor et al., 1984; Umhoefer and Miller, 1996).

East of the Straight Creek fault is the Leavenworth fault zone, a NW-striking fault with NW and N-S-striking segments (Fig. 1). The Leavenworth fault merges with the Entiat fault at the northern end of the Chumstick basin (Cater and Crowder, 1967). The Leavenworth fault zone is up to ~ 5 km wide, and separates clastic rocks of the Chumstick Formation from those of the Swauk Formation in the southeast, and Chumstick Formation rocks from plutonic and metamorphic rocks of the Wenatchee block in the northwest (Tabor et al., 1987). The movement history of the fault is complex and widely debated. It is the main focus of this study and is discussed in further detail below.

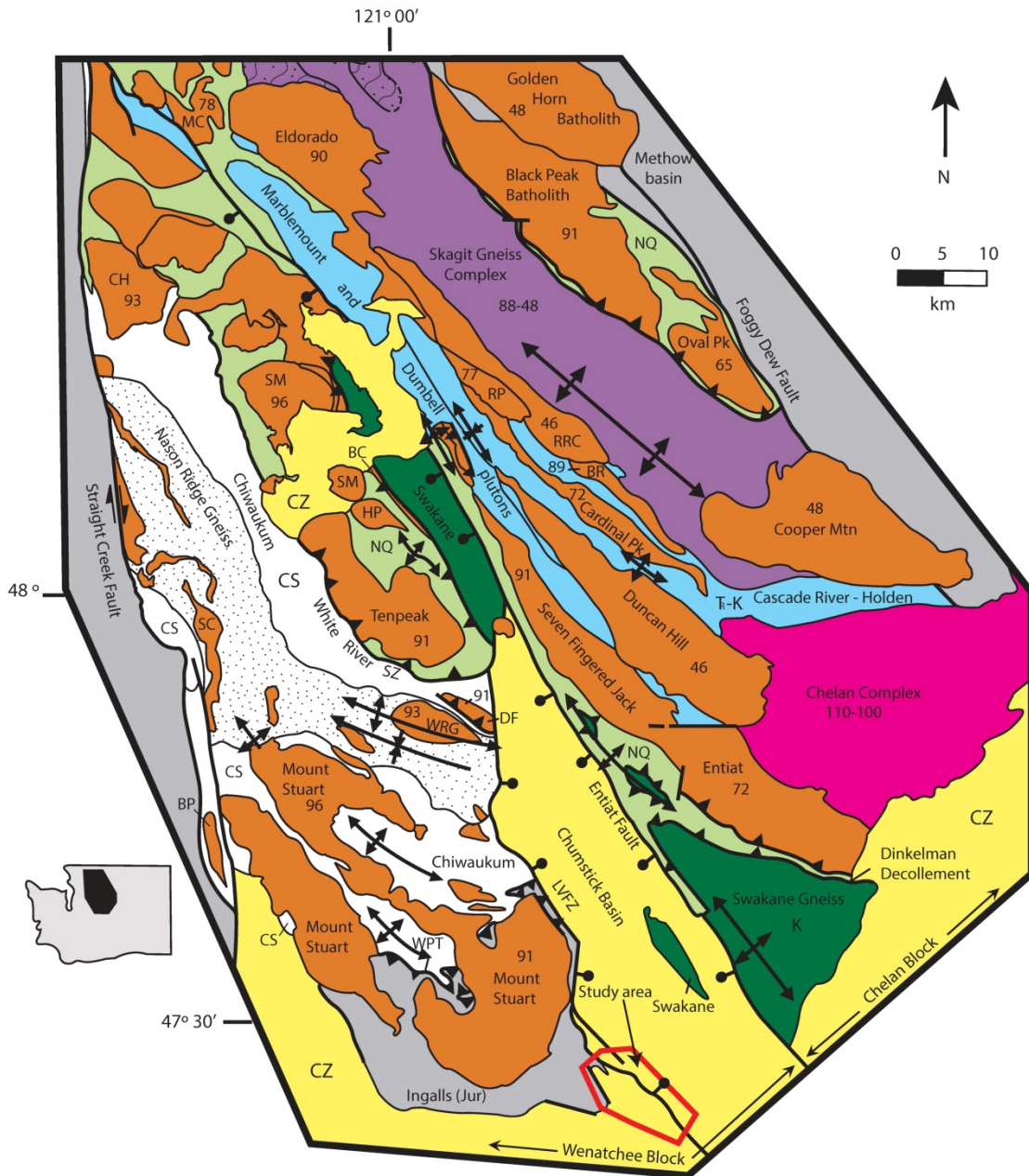


Figure 2. Map of North Cascades core with a polygon of the study area. LVFZ- Leavenworth fault zone. Note crystallization ages of the plutons. Unit abbreviations include: BC-Buck Creek Pass pluton; BP-Beckler Peak stock; BR-Bearcat Ridge Orthogneiss; CH-Chaval pluton; CP-Cardinal Peak pluton; CS-Chiwaukum Schist; CZ-Cenozoic undifferentiated (mid-Eocene to Quaternary); DF-Dirtyface pluton; HP-High Pass pluton; MC-Marble Creek pluton; NQ-Napeequa unit; RRC-Railroad Creek pluton; RP-Riddle Peaks pluton; SC-Sloan Creek plutons; SM-Sulphur Mountain pluton; SZ-shear zone; WPT-Windy Pass thrust; WRG-Wenatchee Ridge Gneiss. Figure modified from Miller et al. (2009a).

## **OVERVIEW OF THE MAIN ROCK UNITS IN THE LEAVENWORTH FAULT ZONE**

### **Ingalls Complex**

The mostly Late Jurassic Ingalls Complex is located west of the Leavenworth fault (Fig. 2). It was thrust onto the Chiwaukum Schist of the Cascade core in the Cretaceous, and wraps around the south end of the 96-91 Ma Mt. Stuart batholith (Southwick, 1974; Tabor et al., 1982; Miller, 1985). The ophiolite consists of tectonized ultramafic rocks in fault contact with a large spectrum of mafic rocks, and is overlain by pelagic sedimentary rocks (Tabor et al., 1982; Miller, 1985; Metzger et al., 2002; MacDonald et al., 2008). Metamorphic grade ranges from prehnite-pumpellyite facies in the south, to amphibolite facies in the north (Southwick, 1974; Tabor et al., 1982, 1987; Miller, 1985). Fine-grained meta-sedimentary rocks are also present in the northeast (Tabor et al., 1982; Harper et al., 2003). Contacts within the Ingalls ophiolite strike east-west (Tabor et al., 1982; Miller, 1985) and major internal structures are two east-west–striking zones of serpentinite mélange (Miller, 1985).

### **Swauk Formation**

The early Eocene Swauk Formation is located southwest of the Leavenworth fault and south of the Ingalls Complex and Mt. Stuart batholith (Fig. 2). To the west, it is bounded by the dextral Straight Creek fault (Tabor et al., 1982).

The Swauk Formation is estimated to be ~8,000 m in thickness (Tabor et al., 2000), and is separated from the Teanaway Formation by an angular unconformity. The stratigraphy in the western part has been poorly studied, but the upper ~2.5 km of the eastern part has been described in detail (Taylor, 1985). Deposits are of fluvial and

lacustrine origin, and the main criteria used to distinguish the members of the Swauk Formation are the interbeds of sandstone and shale, the amount of conglomerate in each unit, the thickness of the conglomerate beds, and the size of the clasts in the conglomerate (Tabor et al., 1982; Taylor et al., 1988). Other criteria used in the eastern part of the formation include the overall thickness of beds and relative stratigraphic positions (Cheney and Hayman, 2009). The facies of the Swauk Formation in the eastern part of the basin that are relevant to this study are summarized in Table 1 (Tabor et al., 1982; Fraser, 1985; Taylor et al., 1988).

Feldspathic to lithofeldspathic, fine- to medium-grained sandstone dominates the Formation (Tabor et al., 1982). In the eastern part of the Swauk Formation, directly west of Tronsen Ridge (Fig. 3), sandstones are thin- to thick-bedded, have cross-beds, and are interbedded with siltstones and shales (Tabor et al., 1982). Pebbly sandstone and conglomerate are also present (Taylor et al., 1988; Cheney and Hayman, 2009) (Fig. 4).

The  $\geq 1100$ -m-thick Tronsen Ridge Member is located in the eastern part of the upper Swauk Formation (Fig. 3), and is particularly relevant for this study. It is mainly composed of shale, lithofeldspathic sandstone, and pebble conglomerate. Cross-bedding suggests a fluvial depositional environment. The Tronsen Ridge Member is interbedded with thick- to very thick-bedded, white arkosic sandstone to the northeast, also known as the sandstone facies of Red Hill, which is thought to be the uppermost part of the Swauk Formation (Tabor et al., 1982; Taylor et al., 1988).

The clastic rocks of the Swauk Formation interfinger with the  $51.3 \pm 0.029$  Ma tuffs of the Silver Pass Member, a volcanic unit in the upper part of the Swauk Formation (Fig.



Table 1: Stratigraphy of the Eastern Part of the Swauk Formation.

Facies	Thickness	Lithology
Arkosic Sandstone (sandstone facies of Red Hill)	~390 m	Poorly sorted, alternating coarse and fine members, thick- to very thick-bedded, white sandstone interbedded with darker shale of the Tronsen Ridge facies.
Shale Facies of Tronsen Ridge	≥1100 m	Thinly bedded, cross-bedded, dark grey or tan micaceous lithofeldspathic sandstone, dark siltstone and shale. Light-colored fine-grained sandstone and siltstone. Rare thick bedded and cross-bedded sandstone and pebble conglomerate.
Conglomerate and Monolithic Fanglomerate Breccia	≥900 m	Lower and upper units separated by shale facies. Boulder to pebble conglomerate, crudely bedded, and trough cross-bedded. Clasts are predominately granitic and metamorphic rock. Pebble dominated debris-flow deposits.

Note: Lithology descriptions from Tabor et al. (1982), Fraser (1985), and Taylor et al. (1988).

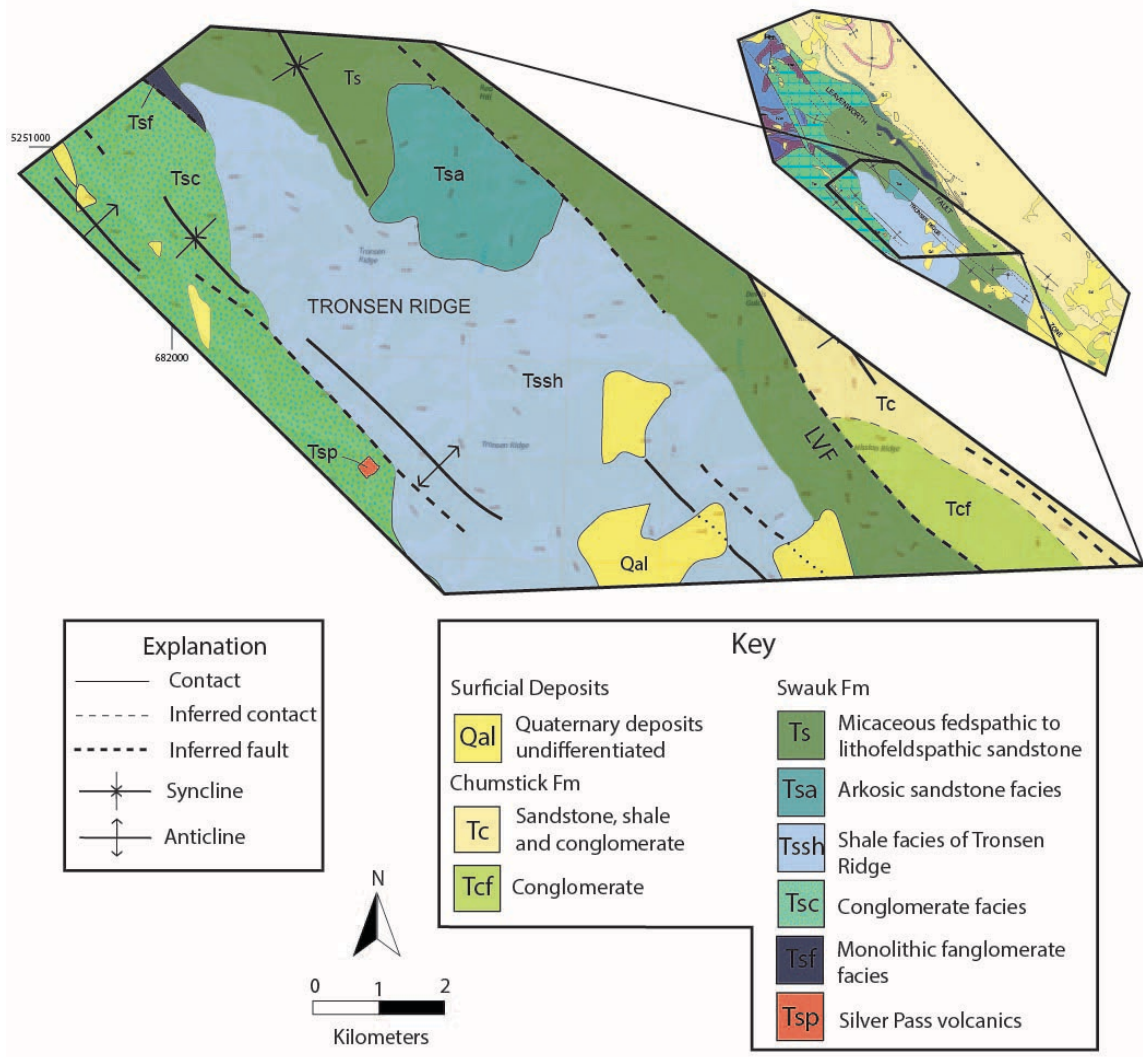


Figure 3. Geologic map of the Tronsen Ridge area and surrounding area. Units, contacts, and folds are taken from Tabor et al. (1982). LVF=Leavenworth fault.

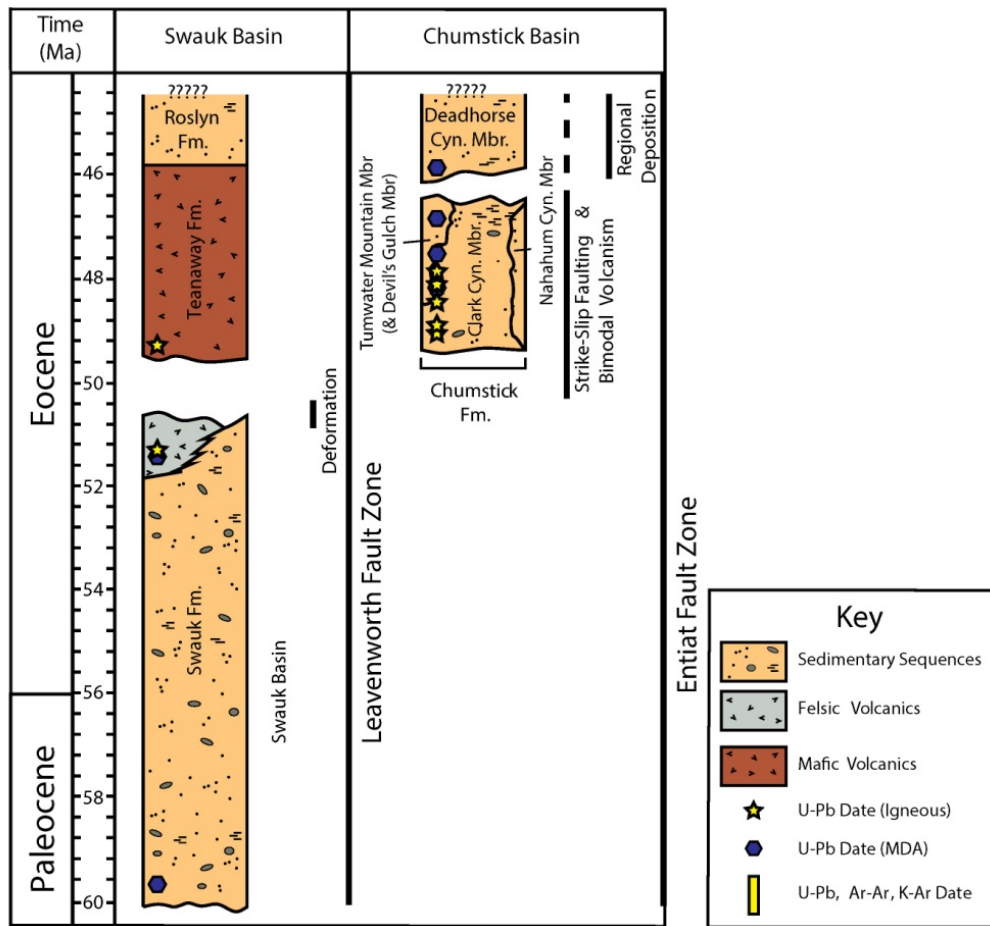


Figure 4. Schematic stratigraphic sections of the Swauk Formation and Chumstick Formation, and their respective members and ages. Modified from Eddy et al. (2016).

4) (Tabor et al., 1982, 2000; Eddy et al., 2016). This member consists of andesitic and rhyolitic tuffs interbedded with clastic rocks (Tabor et al., 1982).

The eastern part of the Swauk Formation is openly to tightly folded, with fold wavelengths of 100 m to 2 km and steep axial planes (Tabor et al., 1982; Doran, 2009). Folds typically have N- to NW-trending axes (Tabor et al., 1984, 1989), at less than 45° to the Entiat-Leavenworth fault system. Close to Tronsen Ridge, E-W-trending folds in the Swauk Formation have sinuous axial traces (Cheney and Hayman, 2009). Mafic Teanaway dikes (49.3 Ma.) intrude the folds and help bracket the timing of the folding (Tabor et al., 1984; Eddy et al., 2016; Miller et al., 2016).

### **Teanaway Formation and Dikes**

The Teanaway Formation is composed mostly of mafic lavas, but ranges to rhyolitic in composition (Clayton, 1973). These volcanic rocks accumulated after the Swauk Formation was deformed, uplifted and eroded, and their source may be a shield volcano in the southwestern part of the outcrop belt (Clayton, 1973; Tabor et al., 1982). A flow in the eastern part of the Teanaway outcrop belt is  $49.341 \pm 0.033$  Ma (Eddy et al., 2016).

The Teanaway dikes are a swarm of basaltic dikes that intrude the Swauk Formation and are presumably the same age as the Teanaway lavas (Foster, 1958; Tabor et al., 1982; Doran, 2009; Eddy et al., 2016) (Fig. 4). They extend over 75 km from east to west and 18 km from north to south (Foster, 1958). Their thickness averages between 12 and 20 m (Doran, 2009). In the eastern part of the Swauk Formation, more than 85% of the dikes strike NE, with a mean orientation of 040°, a dip of 78°, and an average thickness of 14 m (Mendoza, 2008; Miller et al., 2016). The dike orientations in the east

indicate sub-horizontal extension towards  $310^{\circ}/130^{\circ}$ , which is sub-parallel to slightly counter-clockwise of the regional strike. These orientations are broadly similar to those in the western and central parts of the Swauk basin, where dikes strike NNE (Doran et al., 2009).

### **Chumstick Formation**

The Chumstick Formation is bounded on the east by the high-angle Entiat fault and on the west by the Leavenworth fault (Tabor et al., 1982, 1987; Evans, 1994; Cheney and Hayman, 2009) (Fig. 4). High-precision U-Pb geochronology of the oldest tuff above the sediments constrains the depositional age of the western Chumstick Formation between  $\sim 49.147\text{--}47.847$  Ma (Eddy et. al., 2016). The Formation is made up of perhaps as much as 12 km of fluvial and lacustrine rocks, consisting of micaceous arkosic sandstone, shale, and conglomerate, as well as numerous tuffs that are interbedded with the clastic rocks. The Chumstick Formation is also intruded by felsic dikes, and is unconformably overlain by the gently folded, Oligocene Wenatchee Formation (Gresens et al., 1981; Tabor et al., 1982; Evans, 1994). Sandstone in the Chumstick Formation is distinguished from that of the Swauk Formation, in that the Chumstick has generally coarser grains, is dominantly arkosic in composition, has abundant lags of pebbles in the sandstone, the presence of coal, numerous tuff layers, and the Devil's Gulch Member (Evans, 1994; Cheney and Hayman, 2009).

The Chumstick Formation is split into five stratigraphic members based on lithofacies associations, compositions, and sedimentological features: the Clark Canyon Member; Tumwater Mountain Member; which includes the Devil's Gulch Member; Nahahum

Canyon Member; and Deadhorse Canyon Member (Evans, 1994). These are summarized in Table 2, and the Devil's Gulch Member, which is critical for interpretation of the Leavenworth fault, is described in more detail below.

The oldest part of the Chumstick Formation is the ~ 8-8.5-km-thick Clark Canyon Member, which extends to the eastern boundary of the Leavenworth fault zone (Evans, 1994; Donaghy, 2015). It is composed of fluvial conglomerate, sandstone and mudrock, and contains numerous interstratified tuffs, measuring from 30 cm-2 m in thickness, which are dated as 49.1 - 47.9 Ma (Eddy et al., 2016). The upper part of the Clark Canyon Member interfingers with the Tumwater Mountain Member (Evans, 1994).

The Tumwater Mountain Member is a narrow tabular body exposed directly east of the Leavenworth fault (Fig. 4). Its thickness measures up to 1 km, and it is thickest between two northwest-trending strands of the fault zone. The member is composed of conglomerate, sandstone, and mudrock, but lacks the tuffs of the Clark Canyon Member (Evans, 1994; Donaghy, 2015). Proximal facies are more evident than in the Clark Canyon Member, and there is more soft-sediment deformation (Evans, 1994).

The Nahahum Canyon Member is ~1.2-1.5-km-thick, is restricted to the eastern part of the Chumstick basin, and is not considered further (Gresens et al., 1981; Tabor et al., 1987) (Fig. 4). The ~2.2-km-thick, late Eocene Deadhorse Canyon Member is the youngest part of the Chumstick Formation. It is limited to the northernmost and southernmost parts of the basin (Fig. 4). It is finer-grained, lacks tuffs, and has a higher concentration of felsic volcanic clasts than the underlying members (Evans, 1994).

The Devil's Gulch Member is 185-m-thick and is exposed along the northern and

Table 2. Stratigraphy of the Chumstick Formation.

<b>Facies</b>	<b>Thickness</b>	<b>Lithology</b>
Deadhorse Canyon Member	~2.2 km	Fine-grained sandstone and mudstone, lacks tuff, and contains distinctive felsic volcanic clasts.
Nahahum Canyon Member	~1.2 – 1.5 km	Sandstone and mudstone.
Tumwater Mountain Member	<1 km	Conglomerate, sandstone, and mudrock; lacks tuffs, and is also characterized by a coarse-grained facies adjacent to the LVFZ.
Devil's Gulch Member	185 m	Unsorted and unstratified diamictite. Clasts are dominantly tonalite. Ultramafic and phyllite clasts are also found.
Clark Canyon Member	8-8.5 km	Conglomerate, sandstone, mudrocks, and 18 inter-stratified airfall and ash-flow tuffs. The lowest part is intruded by dikes, and the upper part interfingers with the Tumwater Mountain Member. It is restricted to the western subbasin of the Chumstick Formation.

Note: Lithology descriptions from Gresens et al. (1981), Tabor et al. (1982, 1987), Evans (1994), and Donaghy (2015).

southern parts of the Leavenworth fault (Tabor et al., 1982; Taylor, 1988). The origin of the Devil's Gulch Member is controversial. It is the most distinctive unit in the Leavenworth fault zone (Tabor et al., 1982) (Tcf on Fig. 3), consisting of conglomeratic sandstone and unsorted and unstratified diamictite, with rounded clasts up to 150 cm in diameter (Tabor et al., 1982; Taylor et al., 1988). Clasts are mostly porphyritic, tonalitic, and monolithic (Fig. 5), but in places, ultramafic clasts predominate, and phyllites are also found (Cashman and Whetten, 1974; Tabor et al., 1982; Cheney and Hayman, 2009). Zircons in clasts have been dated using laser ablation inductively coupled mass spectrometry, and are  $91.7 \pm 1.5$  Ma to  $90.6 \pm 1.5$  Ma (LaCasse, 2013). Potential sources for the coarse tonalitic clasts include the Mt. Stuart batholith, Tenpeak pluton, and Dirtyface pluton (Fig. 2). LaCasse (2013) concluded that, due to the closer proximity of the Mt. Stuart batholith, it is the most likely source.

Taylor et al. (1988) proposed that the member was originally deposited in the Swauk basin during uplift of the east side of the Leavenworth fault. Following a reverse in motion to west-side-up, Devil's Gulch blocks were downdropped into the Chumstick basin. In contrast, studies by Gresens (1981), Evans (1988), and Cheney and Hayman (2007) suggest that thick conglomerate sections of the Devil's Gulch Member represent some of the first sediments deposited in the Chumstick basin. Donaghy (2015) and Eddy et al. (2016) also consider it to be a marginal facies of the Chumstick Formation. I utilize the more recent interpretations, and consider the member part of the Chumstick Formation.



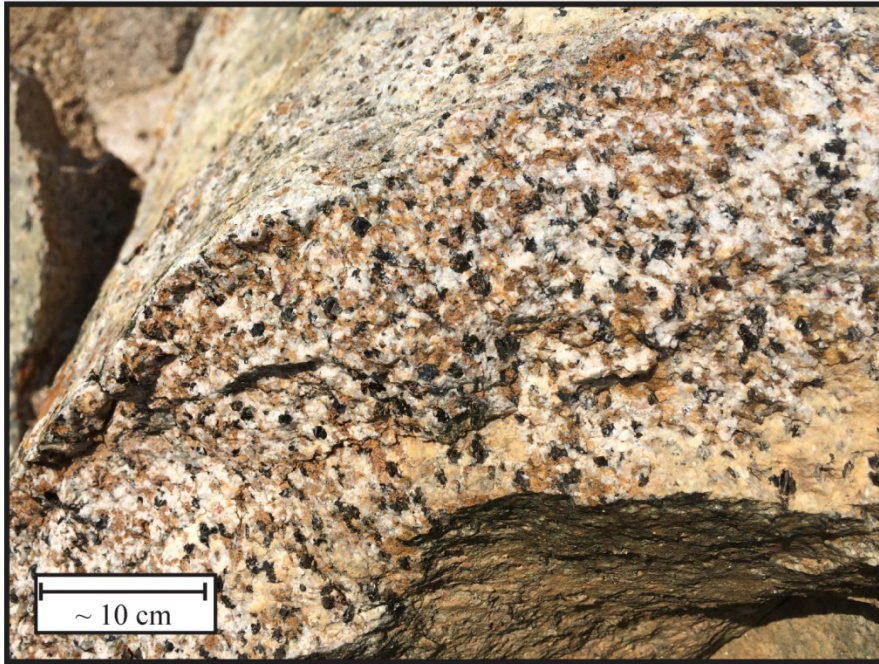


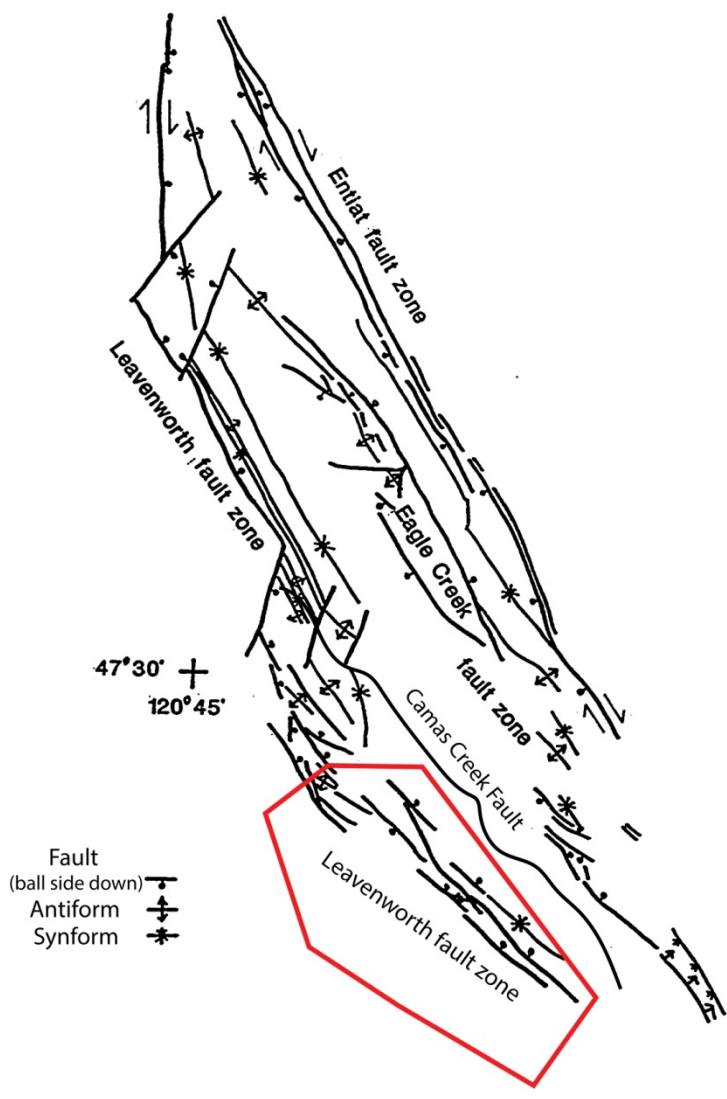
Figure 5. Tonalitic clasts in the Devil's Gulch Member, probably originating from the Mt. Stuart batholith.

## STRUCTURAL SETTING

### Overview

The structural and depositional history of the Swauk Formation has been interpreted in different ways. Taylor et al. (1988) proposed that the Swauk Formation was deposited within a regional network of right-lateral strike-slip faults, and that its sedimentation patterns were most likely governed by dextral offset on the Straight Creek and Leavenworth fault systems. Evans (1994) suggested that the Swauk Formation was deposited in an extensional half graben, which he called the Swauk basin. Eddy et al. (2016) proposed that Swauk deposition largely predated the Leavenworth fault. Restoration of 100-150 km of dextral motion on the Straight Creek-Fraser fault places the Chuckanut and Swauk formations adjacent to one another (Fig. 1), and Eddy et al. (2016) inferred that these formations accumulated within a single depositional system between  $\leq 59.9$  and  $> 49.9$  Ma.

The Chumstick Formation was deposited in the Chumstick basin (Fig. 2), also referred to as the Chiwaukum graben (Evans, 1994) or the Chiwaukum structural low (Cheney and Heyman, 2009), which initiated prior to 49 Ma (Eddy et al., 2016). The Eagle Creek fault divides the Chumstick basin (Fig. 6), forming a younger subbasin to the east, and the basement of the Chumstick Formation is the Cretaceous Swakane Biotite Gneiss, which crops out in the Eagle Creek anticline (Fig. 2) (Tabor et al., 1982; Evans, 1994). In the most recent model, the Chumstick basin formed as a strike-slip basin between the Leavenworth fault and the Entiat fault (Donaghy, 2015; Eddy et al., 2016). Evans (1994) proposed that the Chumstick basin was dominated by early extension and



Figures 6. Map of faults and folds between the Leavenworth fault zone and the Entiat fault zone. Study area is shown in red. Figure modified from Evans (1988).

later influenced by strike-slip motion. Folding during dextral transpression followed the deposition of the Chumstick Formation (Evans, 1994). In contrast, Cheney and Hayman (2009) contended that the structure of the Chumstick rocks is dominated by high-angle reverse faults and that deposition was not influenced by strike-slip faulting.

The lower part of the Chumstick Formation is exposed in a homocline that dips 40° west between the Leavenworth fault zone and the NW-striking Eagle Creek fault zone (Fig. 6). Northeast of the Eagle Creek fault zone is the doubly plunging Eagle Creek anticline (Tabor et al., 1982). The strata of the Clark Canyon Member, which lies between these fault zones, are also deformed into a series of small anticlines and synclines, which trend parallel to 40° counter-clockwise to the Leavenworth fault and the Eagle Creek fault (Fig. 6) (Donaghy, 2015). The Eagle Creek fault ends in a set of splays to the WNW, whereas to the southeast it is buried by the Miocene Columbia River Basalt (Evans, 1994). Its orientation parallel to the Entiat fault, NW-SE trends of fold axes, and data from sedimentary rocks between the Eagle Creek and Entiat faults, provide evidence that the Eagle Creek fault is a major dextral oblique-slip fault (Evans, 1994).

### **Leavenworth Fault Zone: Geometry and Models**

The movement history of the Leavenworth fault is controversial, as some have interpreted the fault to record strike-slip and others inferred that it is a reverse fault (e.g. Taylor et al., 1988; Evans et al., 1989; Evans, 1994; Cheney and Hayman, 2009). The timing of offset is also debated. Some workers concluded that subsidence of the Chumstick basin initiated at ~48 Ma (Tabor et al., 1984). In this model, subsidence began, and motion along the Leavenworth fault changed from east-side-up to west-side-

up, and the active trace of the Leavenworth fault shifted up to 1 km westward, according to Taylor et al. (1988) and Evans (1994). Taylor et al. (1988) noted that alternating pulses of extension and deformation are common in strike-slip basins, and they proposed that the Swauk Formation formed in such a basin. Following deposition and folding, the Swauk Formation was intruded by the Teanaway dike swarm (Tabor et al., 1984).

Evans (1994) and Tabor et al. (1982, 1984) concluded that initial movement was pre-44 Ma, and proposed a second episode of tectonic partitioning, deformation, and uplift of the Swauk basin, causing the reversal of movement sense (west-side-down to east-side-down) of the Leavenworth fault at 44-42 Ma. This episode is marked by dextral faulting and folding with fold orientations consistent with north-south dextral shear on the Straight Creek fault, and NW-trending fold axes in the Chumstick Formation (Taylor et al., 1988) (Fig. 6). This event was followed by another episode of tectonic quiescence from ~ 41-37 Ma, when deposition in the Chumstick Formation continued, and an episode of overtopping of the fault zone occurred. Between ~ 37-34 Ma, NW-striking en echelon faults formed, which suggest dextral transpression (Cashman and Whetten, 1974; Evans, 1988; Taylor et al., 1988).

Evans (1988, 1994) and other workers (Gresens, 1981; Taylor et al., 1988; La Casse, 2013) also proposed that offset of tonalitic fanglomerate deposits of the Devil's Gulch Member by approximately 30 km from a likely source resulted from dextral strike-slip on the Leavenworth fault.

In another model, the Leavenworth fault zone is a post-depositional, reverse fault (Cheney and Hayman, 2009). The evidence cited for this model is the northwest-trending

Miocene folds in the Columbia River Basalt that can be traced into older rocks. Cheney and Hayman (2009) contended that the outcrop pattern of the Chumstick Formation is controlled by a regional Miocene syncline, rather than restricted to an Eocene basin. Cheney and Hayman (2009) suggested that folds oriented parallel to the Leavenworth fault formed during reverse motion along the fault. They also reported that slickensides near the Camas Creek fault, a strand of the Leavenworth fault in their model, are consistent with reverse motion (Fig. 6) (Cheney and Hayman, 2009).

Most recently, Eddy et al. (2016) determined high-precision zircon ages that supported the interpretation that the Straight Creek fault postdates the Swauk Formation. Accumulation on the then adjacent Swauk and Chuckanut formations occurred along W- or SW-flowing streams between  $\leq 59.9$  and 51.3 Ma, which was followed by a reversal in paleoflow direction to the NE between 51.3 and  $>49.9$  Ma. Accumulation ended before 49.9 and was followed by NNE-SSW-directed shortening and basin inversion attributed to the accretion of Siletzia (Eddy et al., 2016; Miller et al., 2016). The oldest tuff age of 49.1 Ma in the Chumstick basin demonstrates that sediment accumulation there initiated close in time to the eruption of the lower Teanaway Formation (49.3 Ma.), and that the Chumstick rocks are younger than the Swauk Formation (Eddy et al., 2016).

High sediment accumulation rates of 2-7 m/k.y. for the Clark Canyon Member, and the rapid lateral movement of depocenters, suggest that the Chumstick Formation was deposited in a strike-slip basin (Eddy et al., 2016). The Nahahum Canyon Member of the Chumstick Formation provides further evidence for syndepositional faulting between  $\leq 46.9$  and  $>44.4$  Ma, such as a coarse-grained facies adjacent to the Eagle Creek and

Entiat faults, basin axial paleoflow, and soft sediment deformation (Evans, 1994).

## **METHODS**

Geologic mapping and collection of structural data were conducted for six weeks during the summer of 2014. This project utilized previous 1:100,000 mapping done by Tabor et al. (1982), as well as 7.5 minute topographic maps (1:24,000) to conduct structural mapping of ~ 50 km<sup>2</sup> of both sides of the Leavenworth fault zone in more detail than had been previously done. Structures both outside and within the fault zone were mapped. I looked for systematic changes in strikes and dips of beds, rotation of beds, and orientations of faults and folds in both the Swauk and Chumstick formations. I also measured smaller brittle structures, such as slickensides, slickenside striae, small faults, and Riedel shears. Structural measurements were plotted on stereographic projections using Stereonet 9 (Allmendinger, 2017).

The extent of the Leavenworth fault zone was determined by mapping bed strikes and fold hinge lines at various distances from the main fault and then comparing those to regional orientations to assess whether they have been rotated. On the west side of the fault, orientations and thicknesses were determined for the Teanaway basaltic dikes that intrude the Swauk Formation. These dikes help evaluate the regional strain field and the potential effects of the Leavenworth fault in modifying the strain field.

Fourteen samples were made into thin sections at San Jose State University to determine their petrography. Nine of these are sandstones and were analyzed on the basis of mineral mode, grain size, sorting, rounding, sphericity, and microstructures, to determine their constituents and provenance. One low-grade metamorphic sample from

the Ingalls ophiolite complex (FS13) was also analyzed for texture, and four Teanaway dikes were analyzed for modal mineralogy. Point counting analysis was conducted on the sandstones and the metamorphic sample. Three hundred points were counted for each thin section and spaced in an even grid of 4.0 mm using a Point-counting stage. The sandstone samples were then plotted on a QFL ternary diagram (Dickinson and Suczek 1979) comparing the relative amounts of quartz, feldspar, and lithic clasts for further classification and to determine provenance.

Five samples were prepared for U/Pb detrital zircon geochronology using standard separation techniques. The equipment used at San Jose State University were a crushing mill and a steel disk mill (to reduce grain size). A Wilfley table was then used to separate the zircons from other minerals, followed by a Frantz magnetic separator, and two heavy liquid separations using Bromoform and Methyl iodide. Finally, picking, mounting, and Back-Scattered Electron (BSE) imaging using Laser Ablation-Inductively Coupled Plasma Mass Spectrometry (LA-ICPMS) was performed at the LaserChron lab in Tucson, Arizona. Method YC2 $\sigma$  (3+) was used to determine maximum depositional ages (Dickinson and Gehrels, 2009). One sample (FS145) was re-evaluated by M.P. Eddy at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology by performing single zircon Chemical Abrasion-Isotope Dilution-Thermal Ionization Mass Spectrometry (CA-ID-TIMS) analysis in order to more precisely constrain the maximum depositional age of the Swauk deposition.



## STRUCTURAL DATA

### Swauk Formation

Structural mapping of the Swauk Formation was conducted in four main areas: Ruby Creek-Windmill Point, Tip-Top, Tronsen Ridge, and Mission Ridge. These areas extend discontinuously for ~25 km along the Leavenworth fault zone and as far as 5 km from the main trace of the fault, which has a general NW strike of ~320° in the study area (Fig. 1 and Plate 1).

The Ruby Creek-Windmill Point area (Fig. 7) is located east of the Ingalls Complex and is mostly bounded by two NW-striking strands of the Leavenworth fault, which are separated by ~ 2-4 km. In this area, the strike of the Leavenworth fault ranges from ~300-320°. Bedding (n=119) has a general NW strike and SW dip, with some beds dipping NE. There is no systematic change in strike in the Ruby Creek-Windmill Point area. Strikes average 168°, and dips range from ~5-87°, with a mean of ~52° SW. Poles to beds (n=119) form a girdle indicating a fold axis plunging 004° towards 299°. There is a significant scatter indicating non-cylindrical folding, and a clear maximum of 121°, 60° SW reflecting the dominant SW dips (Fig. 8). Folds (n=6) of ~0.5- 2.5 km wavelength have average trends of 292°, defined by bedding reversals. Fold interlimb angles in the Ruby Creek-Windmill Point area range from ~33-60°, and line-length balancing assuming flexural-slip folding yields a total of ~0.6-1.1 km of shortening (Fig. 7). Faults in the Ruby Creek-Windmill point area (Figs. 9 and 10) have relatively inconsistent strikes. Forty-nine faults were separated into NW-striking and NE-striking sets, and forty-three out of those forty-nine faults had slickensides and measurable rakes.

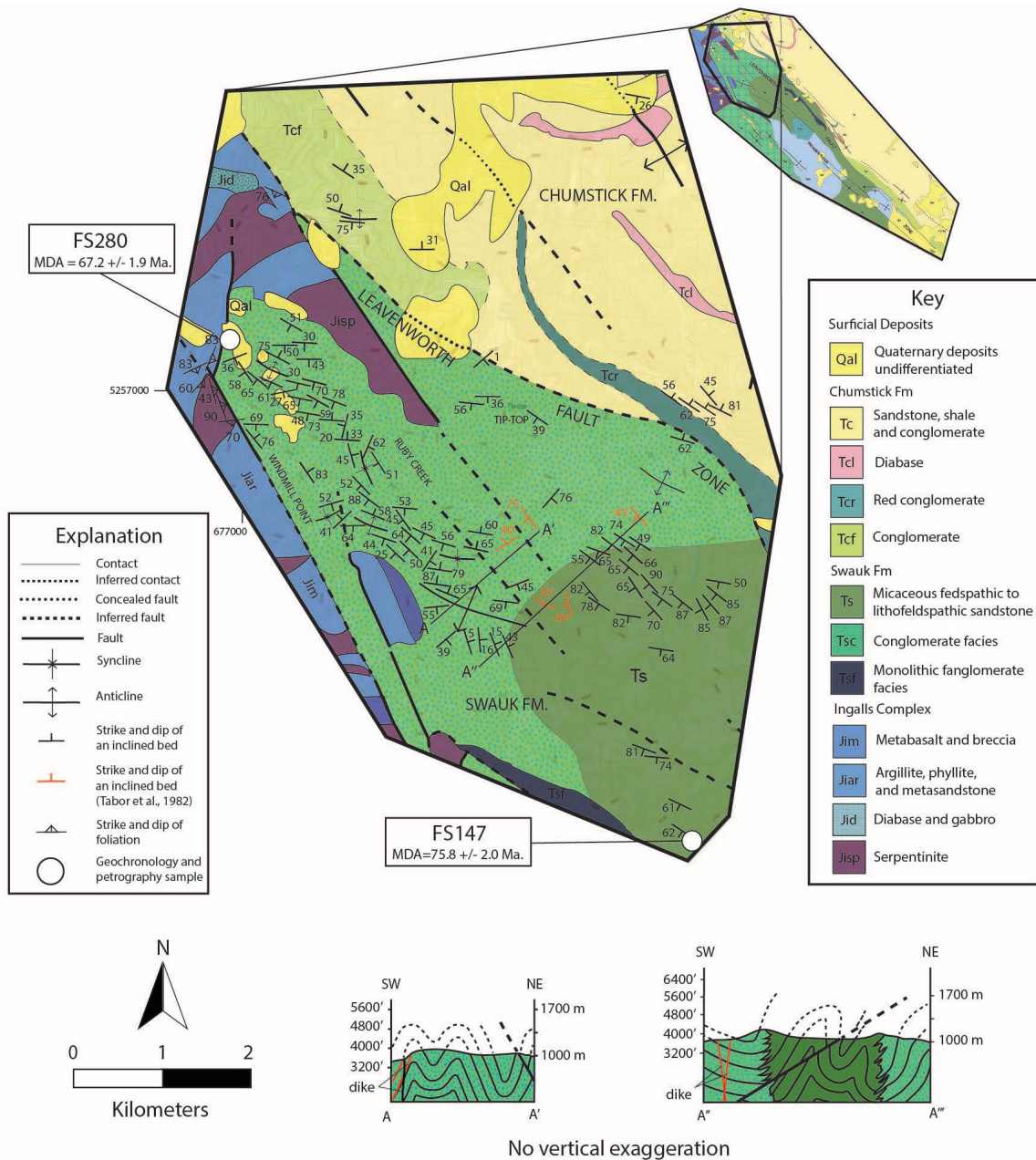
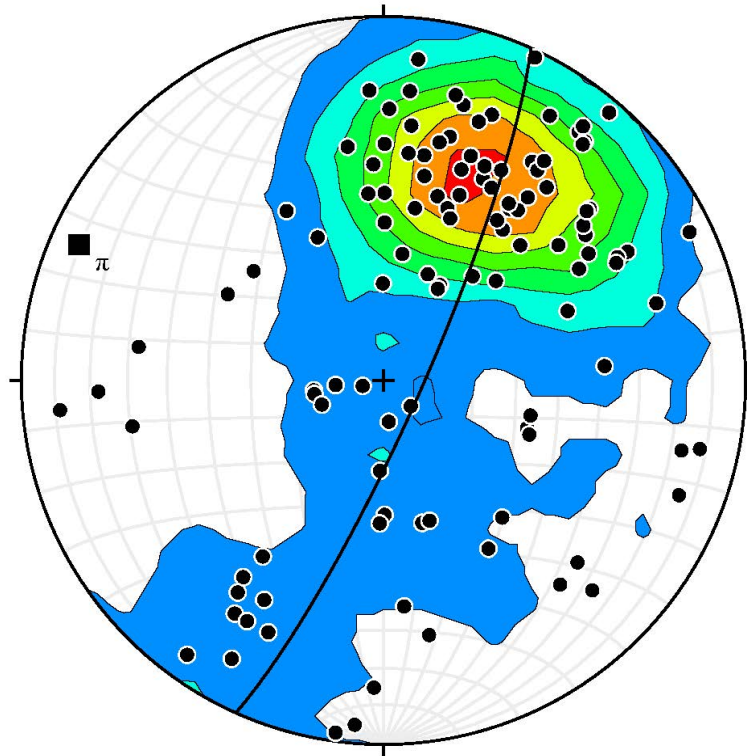


Figure 7. Geologic map emphasizing bedding and foliation attitudes, and locations of cross sections in the Ruby Creek-Windmill Point and Tip-Top areas. Not all structural data are shown. Thin lines in cross sections indicate traces of bedding, thick lines represent faults, and red lines represent dikes. Inset shows the location of the Ruby Creek-Windmill Point and Tip-Top transects within the study area.



n=119

Figure 8. Stereographic projection of poles to beds in the Ruby Creek-Windmill Point area. Contour interval of  $2\sigma$ , using Kamb (1959) method.  $\Pi$  axis =  $004^\circ, 299^\circ$ . Maximum of  $121^\circ, 60^\circ$  SW.



Figure 9. Outcrop showing a fault and fracturing in the Ruby Creek-Windmill Point area.



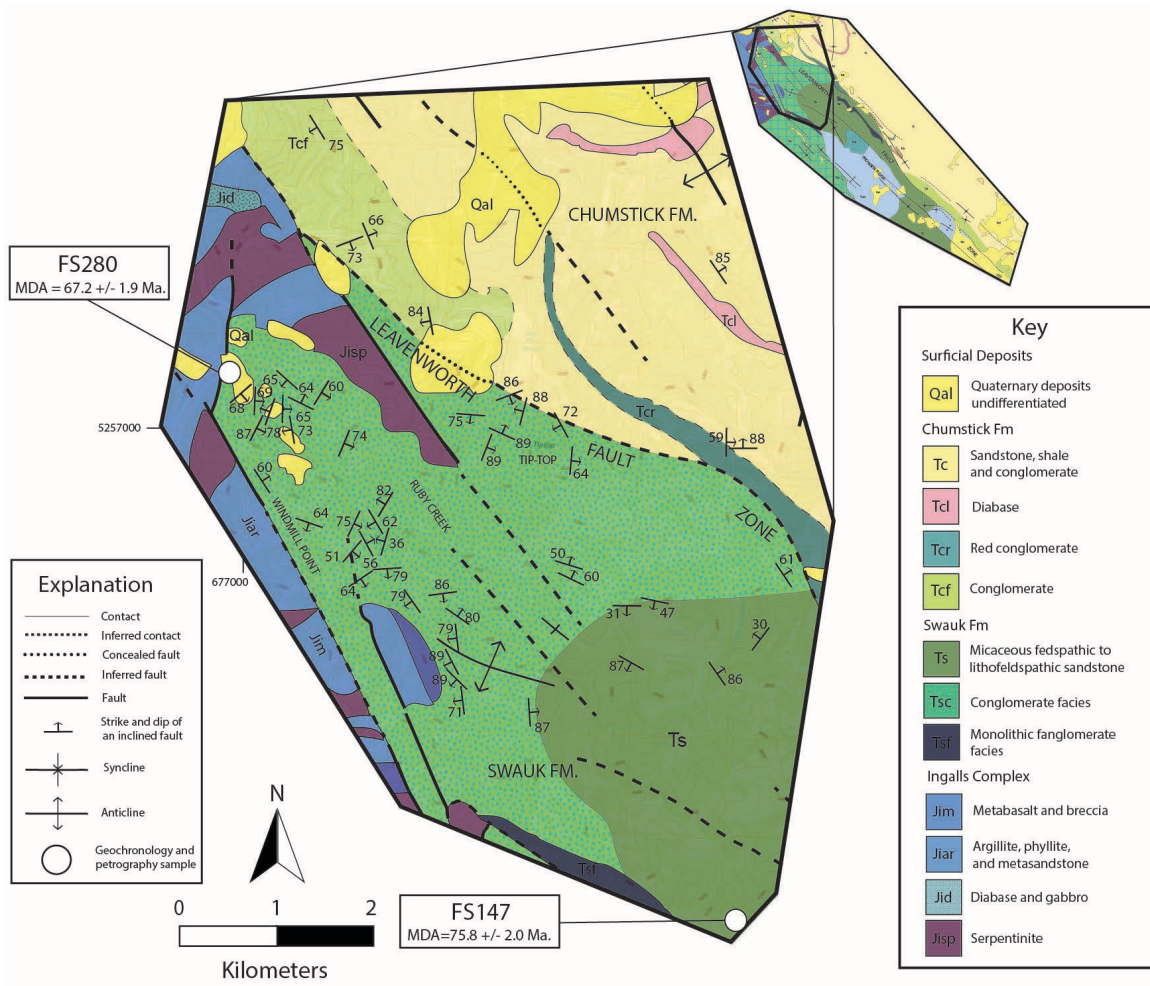
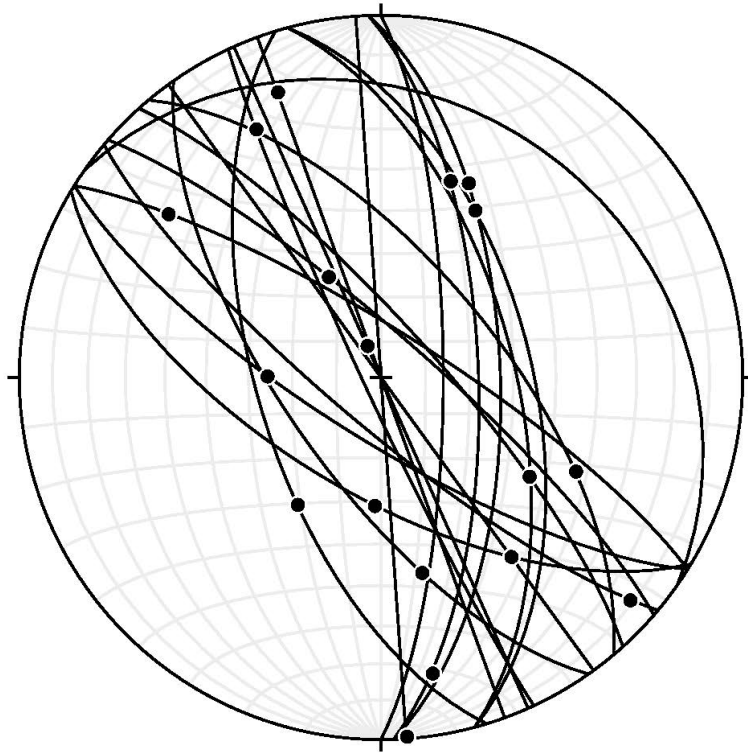


Figure 10. Geologic map emphasizing orientations of faults in the Ruby Creek-Windmill Point and Tip-Top areas. Not all faults are shown.

NW-striking faults (n=21) are moderately to generally steeply dipping (average of 72°), have an average strike of 332°, and a maximum of 331°, 85° NE. NE-striking faults (n=28) are steeply dipping (average of 73°), have an average strike of 033°, and a maximum of 033°, 79° SE. In addition, 19 out of the 49 NW- and NE-striking faults strike >45° clockwise (005-045°) from the main strand of the Leavenworth fault. Six of the 49 faults strike 31-40° clockwise from the main fault (356°-360°). Sixteen of the 49 faults strike <30° from the fault; half strike clockwise (324°-345°) and the other half strike parallel and counter-clockwise (301°- 320°) from the fault.

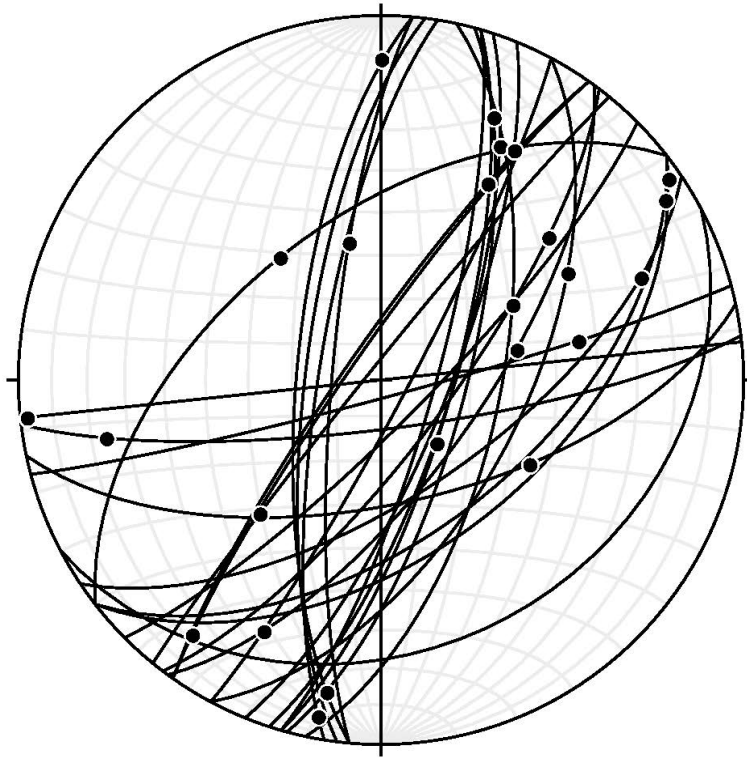
Rakes of slickensides on the fault planes are scattered, but are mostly moderate to high (Fig. 11). Rakes in the NW-striking fault planes (n=19) average 81° with a maximum of 83° to the NW. Rakes in the NW quadrant are low to high and rakes in the SE quadrant are low to moderate. Overall, rakes on NW-striking faults show significant scatter, and 74% are >45°. Rakes in the NE-striking fault planes (n=24) are mostly scattered and moderate (average of 40°) with a maximum of 43°, 063° (Fig. 12). Rakes in the NE quadrant are low to moderate and form minor clusters, and rakes in the SW quadrant are moderate to high, and show significant scatter and no clusters. Overall, fifty-four per cent of rakes on NE-striking faults are >45°.

Dikes intruding the Swauk Formation are concentrated in the Ruby Creek–Windmill Point area (Fig. 13). From southwest to northeast, and approaching the Leavenworth fault zone, most dikes (n=19) appear to rotate by ~80° from NW-striking to NE-striking. Dikes have a mean strike of ~209°, and dips range from ~18-89°, with a mean dip of 75° NW. Dikes have a maximum of 179°, 87° W (Fig. 14). Dike thickness ranges from ~2-34 m,



n= 21

Figure 11. Stereographic projection of NW-striking faults and rakes (dots) in the Ruby Creek-Windmill Point area. Two faults without rakes are also included. Maximum of faults is  $331^{\circ}$ ,  $85^{\circ}$  NE.



n= 28

Figure 12. Stereographic projection of NE-striking faults and rakes (dots) in the Ruby Creek-Windmill Point area. Faults without rakes (n=4) are also included. Maximum of faults is 033°, 79° SE.



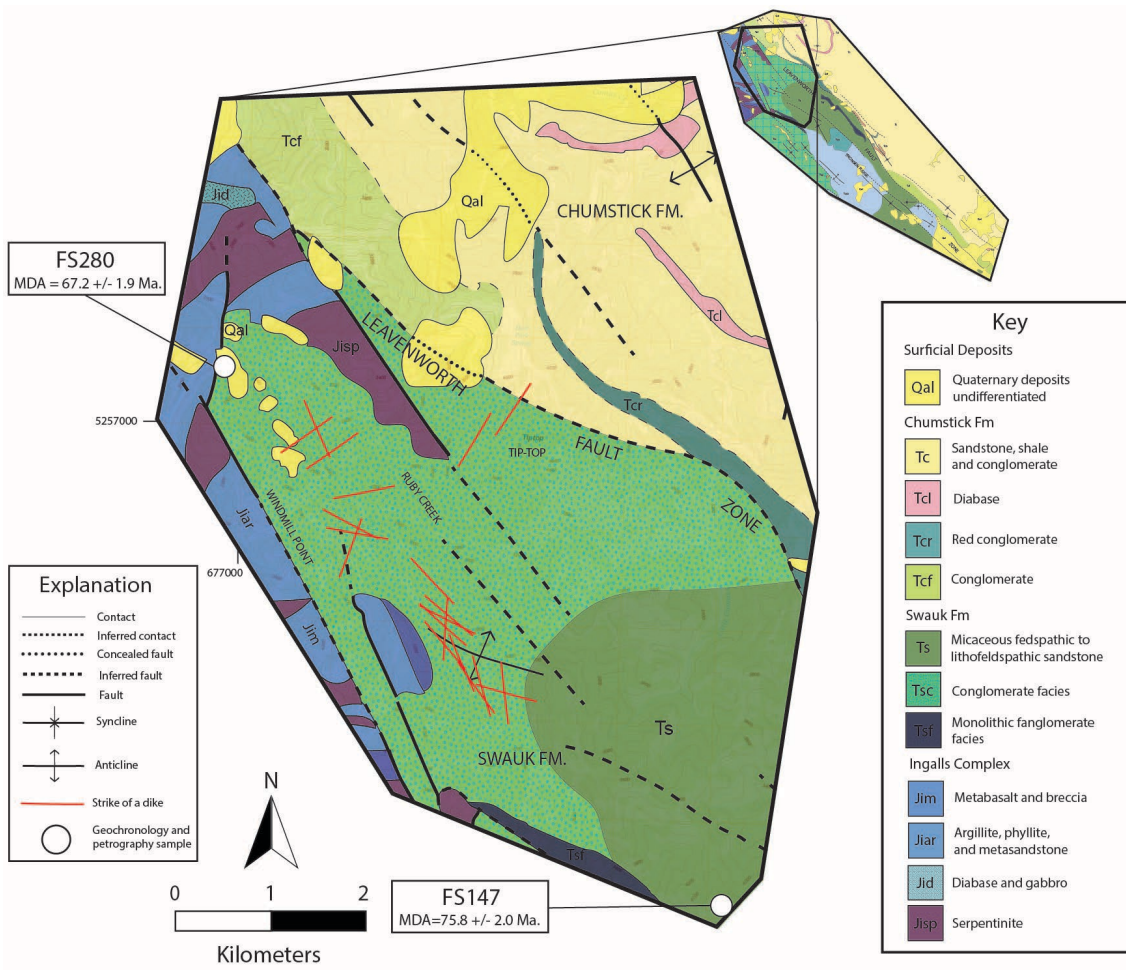
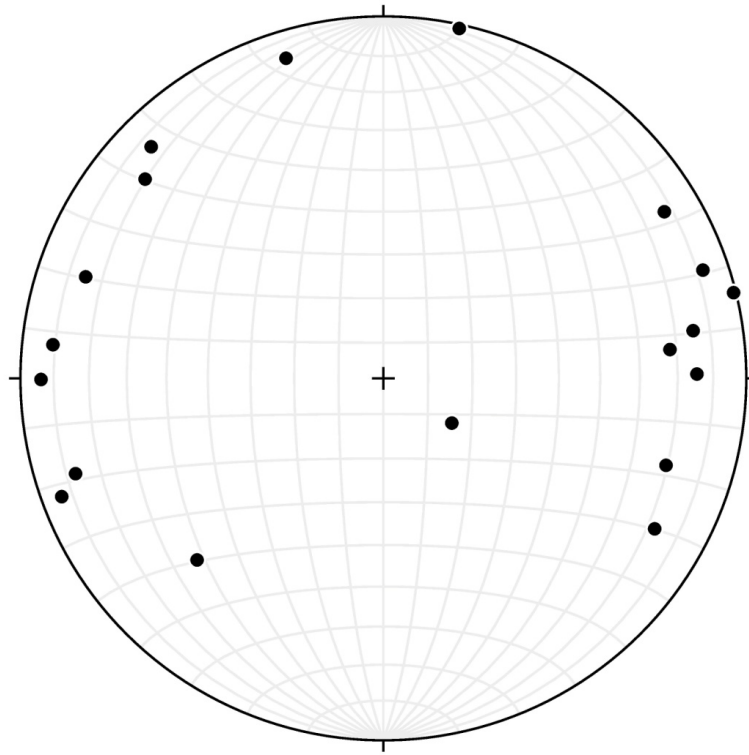


Figure 13. Geologic map emphasizing dikes in the Ruby Creek-Windmill Point and Tip-Top areas. Not all dikes are shown.



n= 19

Figure 14. Stereographic projection of poles to dikes intruding the Swauk Formation. Maximum of  $179^{\circ}$ ,  $87^{\circ}$  SW.

and averages ~15 m (Fig. 15).

Tip-Top (Fig. 7) is located east and southeast of the Ruby Creek-Windmill Point area and lies within the ~3-km-wide Leavenworth fault zone. Measurements were taken on both sides of the Leavenworth fault, as far as 0.5 km from the main fault strand. Poles to beds (n=28) in the Swauk Formation (Fig. 16) show that most beds strike SE with a mean of ~122°, and dips are to the SW, ranging from ~0-90°, and have a mean of ~66°. There is a reversal in dip orientation from SW to NE, as the main strand of the Leavenworth fault is approached. Bed orientations in the Chumstick Formation are discussed below.

Fault planes in the Tip-Top area (n=22) strike mostly NW and NE, and average 342° and 061°, respectively, and dip to the NE and SE with a range of ~5-90° and an average of 62° and 71°, respectively (Fig. 17). Fault planes have a maximum of 150°, 86° SW. In addition, two out of 26 measured faults strike >45° clockwise (019° and 020°) from the main strand of the Leavenworth fault, eight faults strike 44-31° from the main fault, five of which strike clockwise (333°-003°) and 3 of which strike counter-clockwise (281°-287°) to the main fault. Sixteen faults strike <30° to the main fault, 8 of which strike counter-clockwise (295°-317°) and 3 of which strike clockwise (330°-348°) to the main fault.

Overall, rakes show significant scatter. Fault planes that strike NE have shallow to steep rakes, whereas fault planes that strike NW have mostly steep rakes. Shallow rakes show some clusters. All rakes average 51°, and 59% are >45°.

Tronsen Ridge is located west of the main segment of the Leavenworth fault (Fig. 18). Two transects southwestward across this ridge from U.S. Highway 97 (Fig. 19),

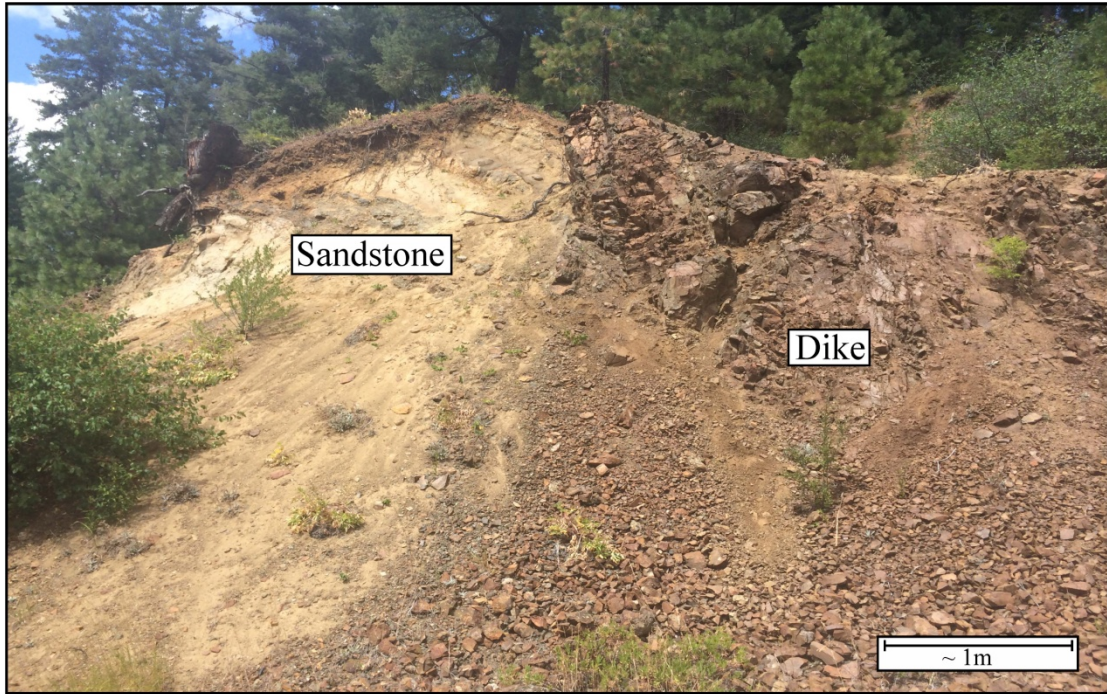
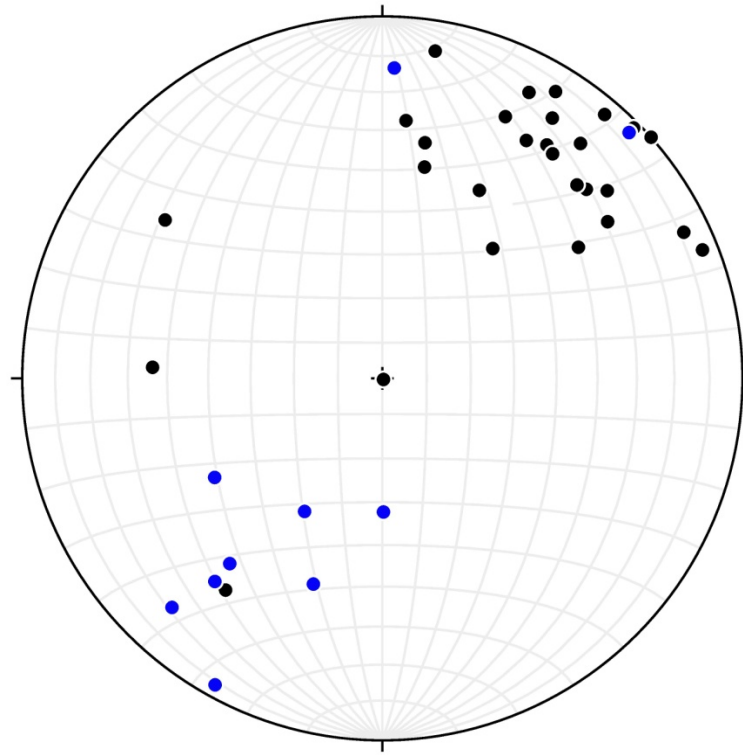
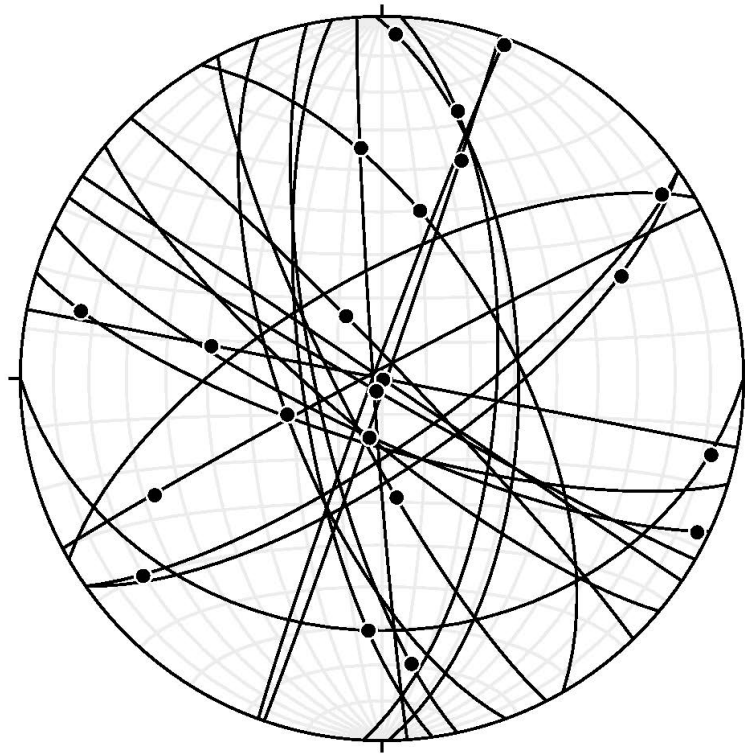


Figure 15. Outcrop exposing a contact of a Teanaway dike and Swauk sandstone in the Ruby Creek-Windmill Point area.



Swauk n= 28  
 Chumstick n= 10

Figure 16. Stereographic projection of poles to beds of the Swauk Formation (black) and Chumstick Formation (blue) in the Tip-Top area. The maximum for the Swauk beds is 127°, 70° SW, and the maximum for the Chumstick beds is 304°, 61° NE.



n= 22

Figure 17: Stereographic projection of faults and rakes (dots) in the Tip-Top area. Maximum of faults is  $150^{\circ}$ ,  $86^{\circ}$  SW.



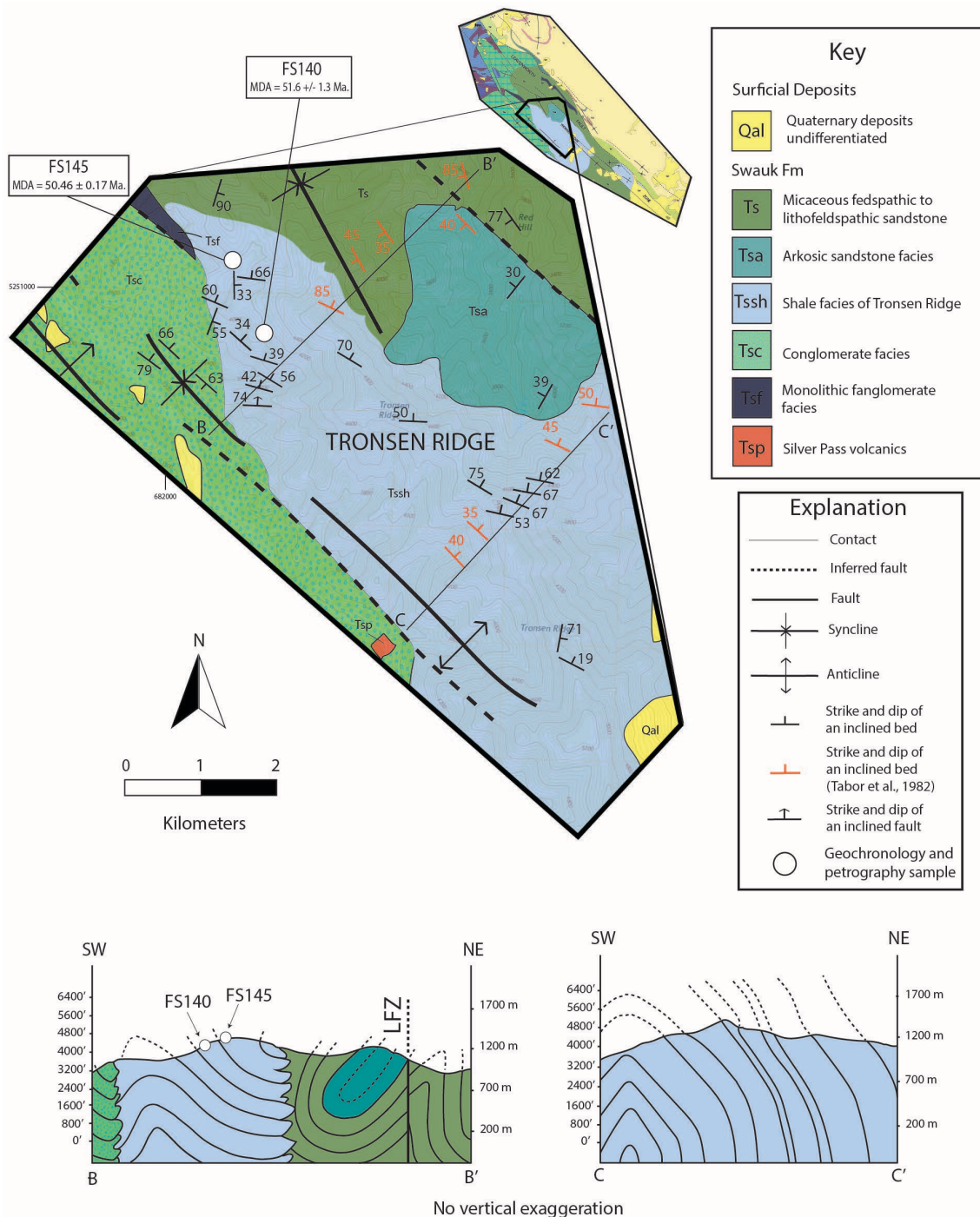


Figure 18. Geologic map showing orientations of beds (n=24), and cross sections B-B' and C-C' in the Tronsen Ridge area. Not all data are shown. Thin lines in cross sections indicate traces of bedding.



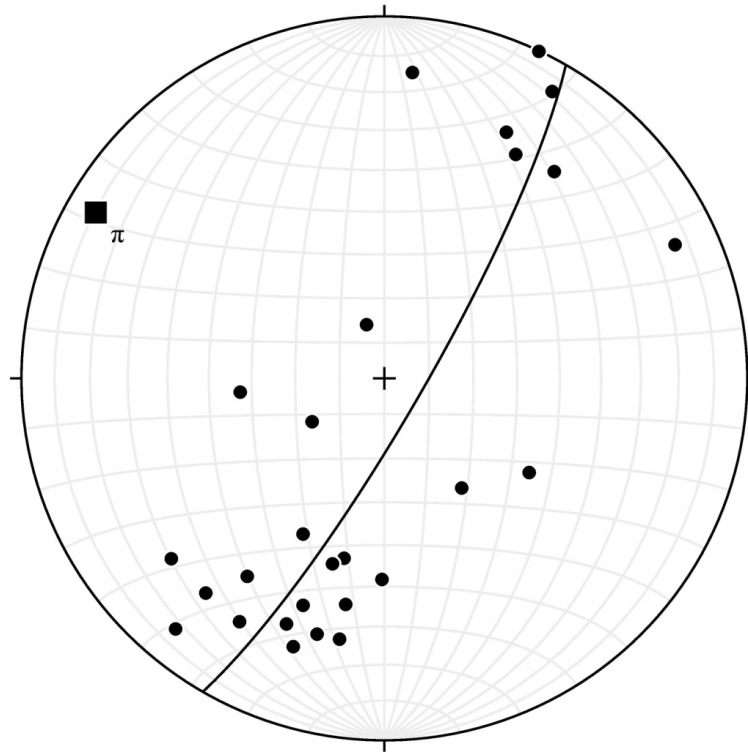
Figure 19. Panoramic view looking east from U.S. Highway 97 of the lower and upper Tronsen Ridge members of the Swauk Formation. Modified from Eddy et al. (2017).



cross the ~5 km width of the fault zone. Here, the Leavenworth fault strikes ~330°. Beds (n=27) in the northern transect of the Tronsen Ridge transect strike NW with a mean of ~300°, and dips range from ~33-79° to the NE, and have a mean of ~53° (Fig. 18). As a NW-trending syncline and a small NW-striking strand of the Leavenworth fault are approached, bed dips rotate from NE-dipping to SW-dipping. In the southern transect, beds strike WNW with a mean of ~300°, and dips range from ~67- 39° to the NE, with a mean of ~56°. Bed strikes overall on Tronsen Ridge have a maximum of 295°, 62° NE. The poles to beds define a girdle, and a fold axis plunging 008° towards 300° (Fig. 20). The significant scatter of poles indicates non-cylindrical folding (Fig. 20). Four fold axial traces mapped on Tronsen Ridge average 321°. Most fold interlimb angles are ~85°, and line-length balancing yields ~1.7-2.2 km of cumulative shortening (Fig. 18).

The southernmost study area in the Swauk Formation was along Mission Ridge (Fig. 21). Here, the fault zone is ~2 km wide, and the Leavenworth fault strikes ~ 310°. In the Swauk Formation, measurements were taken <1.5 km west of the Leavenworth fault. Bed strikes (n=33) are oblique to the strike of the Leavenworth fault zone, averaging ~291°, and have a predominant SW-SSW dip ranging from ~20-84°, and a mean of ~54°. Beds have a maximum of 289°, 59° SW. Three folds of ~200 m-1.3 km wavelength defined by bedding reversals have trends averaging 286°. Poles to beds in the Mission Ridge area in the Swauk Formation plot as a poorly defined girdle indicating a fold axis plunging 003° towards 287° (Fig. 22). The significant scatter indicates non-cylindrical folding. Bed orientations in the Chumstick Formation are discussed below.

For the entire study area, poles to beds (n=207) in the Swauk Formation indicate a



n= 27

Figure 20. Stereographic projection of poles to beds on Tronsen Ridge.  $\Pi = 08^\circ, 300^\circ$ .  
Maximum of  $295^\circ, 62^\circ$  NE.

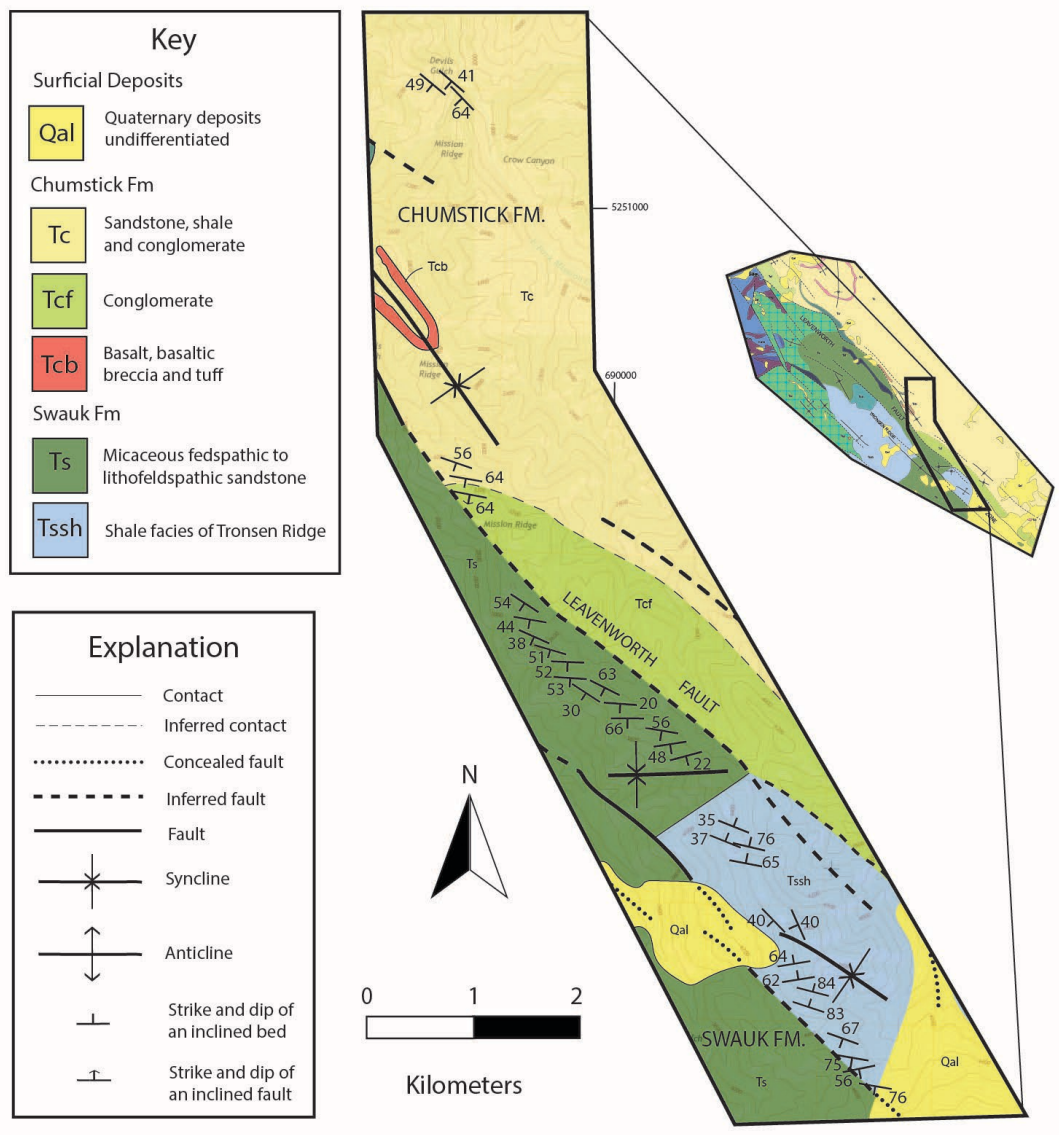
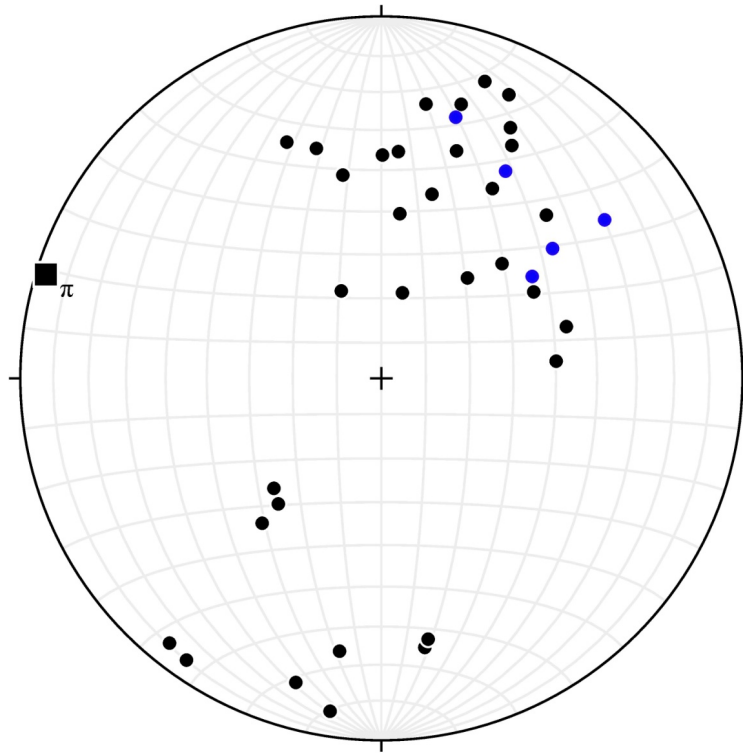


Figure 21. Geologic map emphasizing orientations of beds (n=27) on Mission Ridge. Not all data are shown.



Swauk n=33  
 Chumstick n=5

Figure 22. Stereographic projection of poles to beds in the Swauk Formation (black) and Chumstick Formation (blue) on Mission Ridge. Fold axis ( $\pi$ ) and bed maximum for the Swauk Formation are  $03^\circ$ ,  $287^\circ$  and  $289^\circ$ ,  $59^\circ$  SW, respectively, and the maximum for the Chumstick Formation is  $131^\circ$ ,  $54$  SW $^\circ$ .

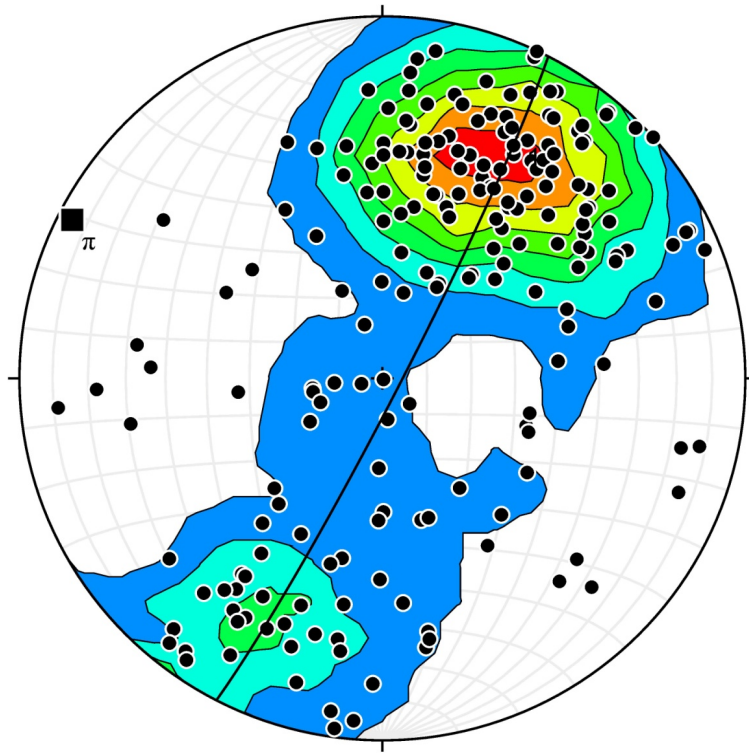
maximum of  $119^\circ$ ,  $61^\circ$  SSW. Dips of Swauk beds average  $55^\circ$ . They define a girdle and a fold axis plunging  $4^\circ$  toward  $297^\circ$  (Fig. 23). There is a significant scatter of attitudes indicating non-cylindrical folding. Folds mapped in the Swauk Formation ( $n=15$ ) of  $\sim 0.5$ - $2.5$  km wavelength trend NW to WNW, and range from  $\sim 270$ - $340^\circ$ . Most folds trend  $\sim 290$ - $330^\circ$ , and the average is  $\sim 298^\circ$ , counter-clockwise from the main strand of the Leavenworth fault.

Poles ( $n=65$ ) to all fault planes in Swauk rocks have scattered strikes, with concentrations striking NE and NW, and dipping to the SE and NE. The maximum is  $359^\circ$ ,  $84^\circ$  E (Fig. 24).

### **Chumstick Formation**

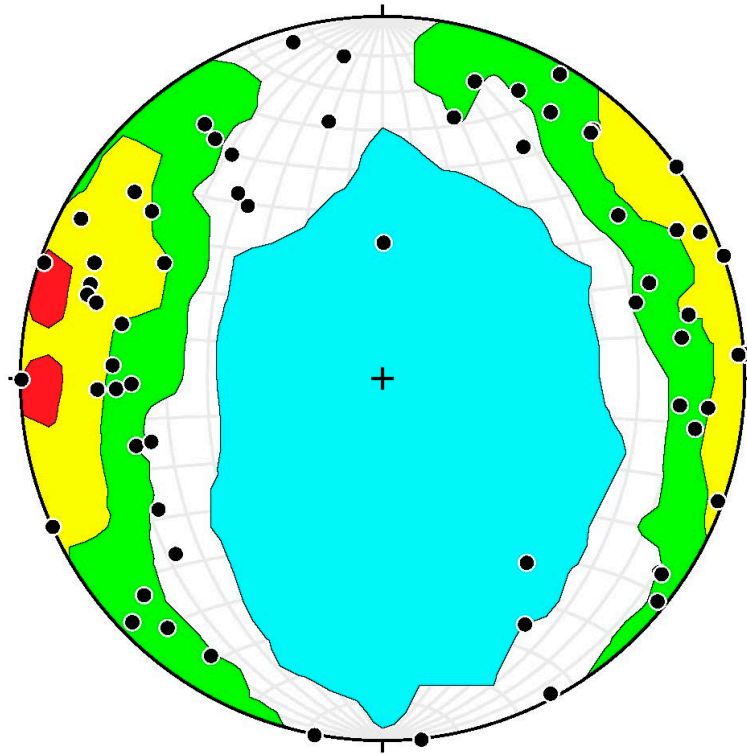
From north to south, mapping in the Chumstick Formation was conducted primarily in the Tip-Top area (Fig. 7), along Mission Ridge (Fig. 21), and in the Beehive Reservoir area (Fig. 25). These areas extend as far as  $\sim 3$  km from the main trace of the Leavenworth fault.

In the Tip-Top area of the Chumstick Formation (Fig. 7), beds ( $n=10$ ) strike NW with a mean of  $\sim 298^\circ$ , have a predominant NE dip ranging from  $30$ - $86^\circ$ , and have a mean dip of  $\sim 60^\circ$  NE. Poles to beds indicate a maximum of  $304^\circ$ ,  $61^\circ$  NE (Fig. 16). Fault strikes in the Tip-Top area are relatively consistent (Figs. 7 and 10); strikes are SSW with a mean of  $\sim 184^\circ$ , and dips are steep to the SE and NW, with a mean of  $\sim 76^\circ$  (Fig. 26). In addition, two out of the nine measured faults strike  $>45^\circ$  counter-clockwise ( $052^\circ$  and  $065^\circ$ ) from the main strand of the Leavenworth fault; one fault strikes  $40^\circ$  ( $280^\circ$ ) to the fault, and six strike  $<30^\circ$  to the fault, five of which strike clockwise ( $322$ - $350^\circ$ ), and one



n= 207

Figure 23. Stereographic projection of all poles to beds in the Swauk Formation. Kamb (1959) method, contour interval of  $2\sigma$ .  $\Pi = 4^\circ, 297^\circ$ . Maximum of  $119^\circ, 61^\circ$  SSW.



n=65

Figure 24. Stereographic projection of all poles to fault planes in the Swauk Formation. Kamb (1959) method, contour interval of  $2\sigma$ . Maximum of  $359^\circ$ ,  $84^\circ$  E.

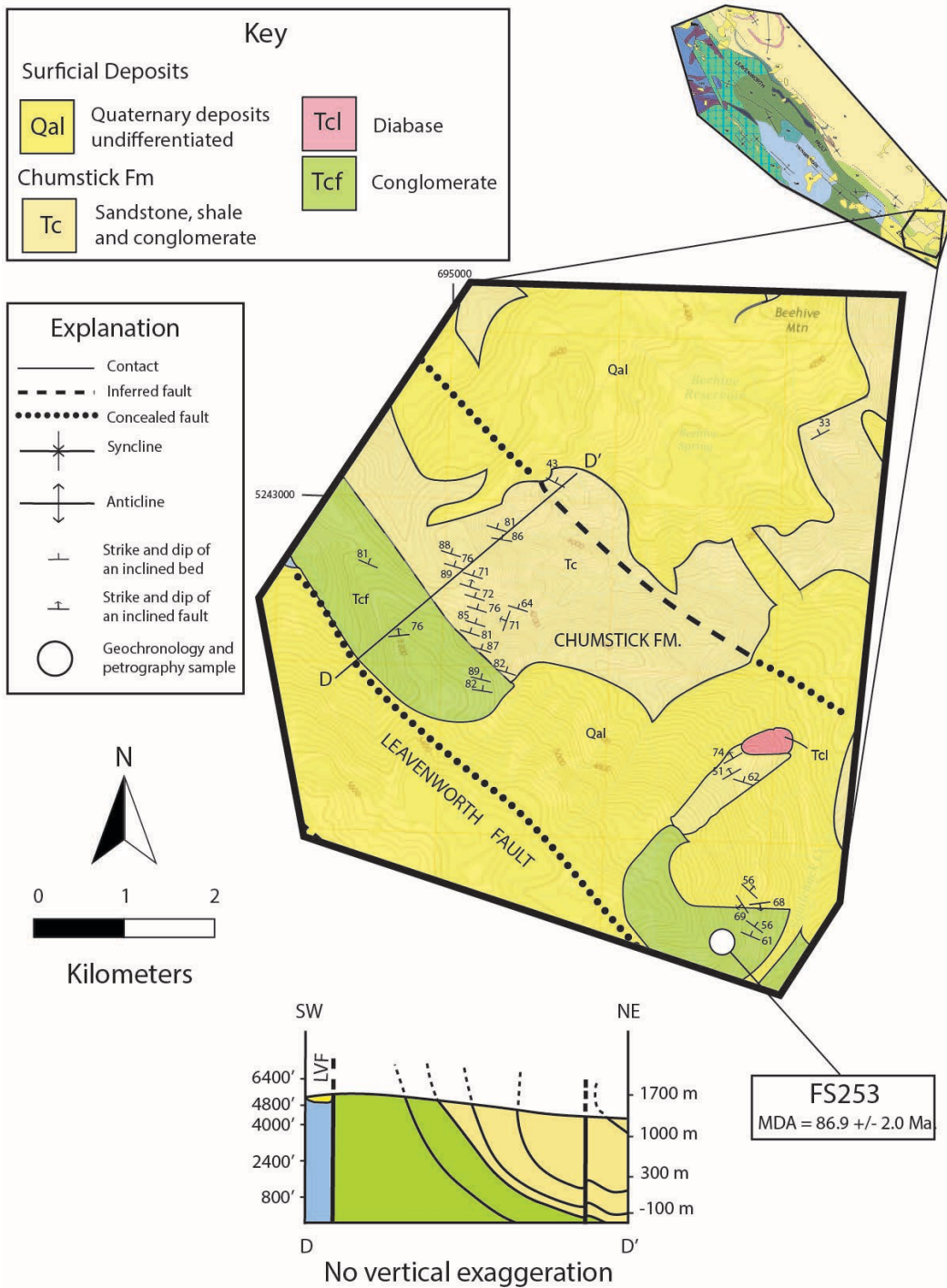
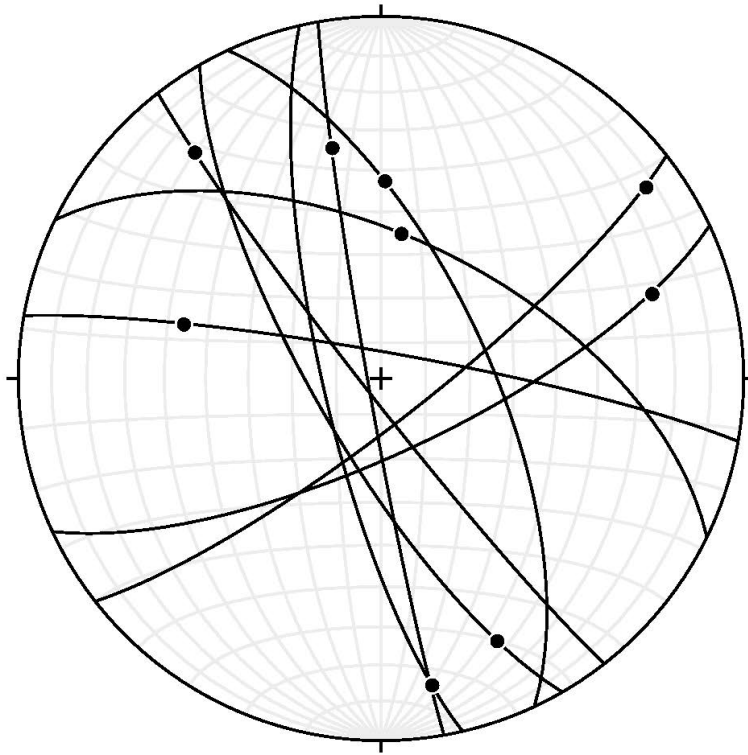


Figure 25. Geologic map of orientations of beds (n=19) and faults (n=8), and cross section D-D' in the Beehive Reservoir area. Not all data are shown. Thin lines in cross sections indicate traces of bedding.





n=9

Figure 26. Stereographic projection of faults and rakes (dots) in the Tip-Top area of the Chumstick Formation.

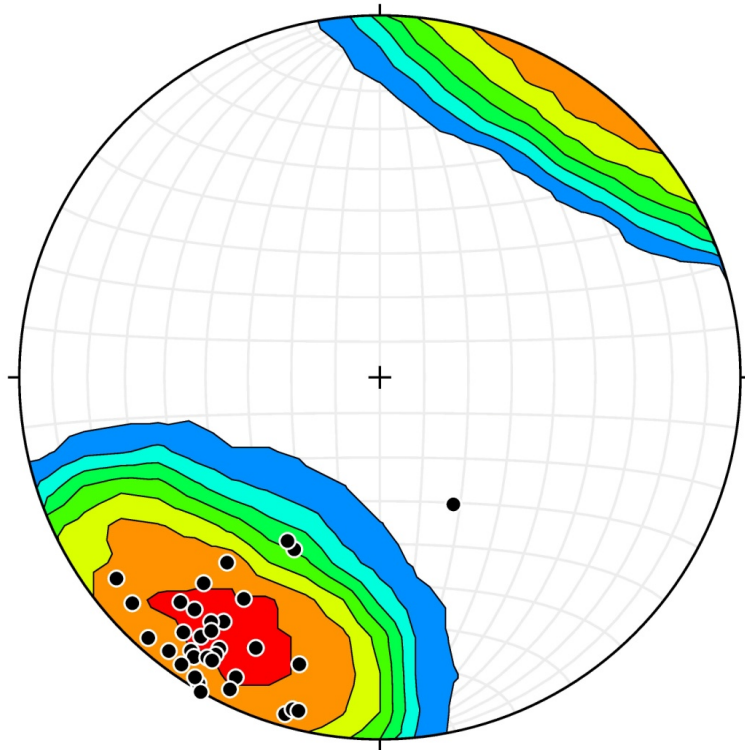
of which strikes counter-clockwise ( $296^\circ$ ) to the Leavenworth fault. Fault strikes average  $264^\circ$ . Rakes are scattered, vary from  $\sim 11$ - $80^\circ$ , and average  $50^\circ$ . Fifty-five per cent of rakes are  $>45^\circ$  (Fig. 26).

Mission Ridge extends as far as  $\sim 3$  km east of the main segment of the Leavenworth fault (Fig. 21). The few beds ( $n=5$ ) cluster and have a mean strike of  $\sim 131^\circ$ , a SW dip that ranges from  $\sim 41$ - $64^\circ$ , and a mean of  $\sim 55^\circ$  (Fig. 22). Broad folding is indicated by bedding rotation from NW strikes  $\sim 2$  km from the fault to WNW strikes near the fault (Fig. 21). In addition, Tabor et al. (1982) mapped an anticline and two synclines in the Chumstick Formation on Mission Ridge (Fig. 21).

The Beehive Reservoir study area (Fig. 25) extends as far as  $\sim 2$  km east of the main fault. Here, the Leavenworth fault zone is  $\sim 1.5$  km wide, and strikes  $\sim 315^\circ$ . Beds ( $n=35$ ) strike NW with a mean of  $\sim 301^\circ$ ; dips are to the NE, range from  $33$ - $90^\circ$ , and have a mean of  $\sim 75^\circ$ . Poles to beds ( $n=35$ ) indicate a maximum of  $302^\circ$ ,  $76^\circ$  NE (Fig. 27).

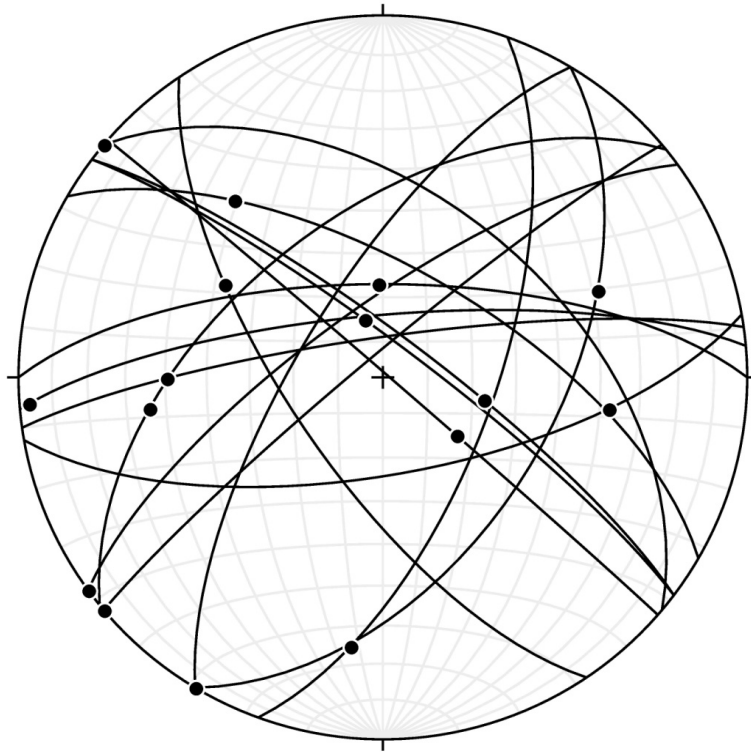
In the Beehive Reservoir area, the 16 measured faults have  $>3$  m displacement. Ten of these faults strike  $>45^\circ$  from the main strand of the Leavenworth fault, eight of which strike clockwise ( $020$ - $031^\circ$ ), and two of which strike counter-clockwise ( $085^\circ$  and  $270^\circ$ ). Six out of the 16 measured faults strike  $<30^\circ$  from the Leavenworth fault, five of which strike counter-clockwise ( $300$ - $311^\circ$ ) to the fault, and one of which strikes clockwise ( $326^\circ$ ) to the fault. Fault planes with rakes strike NW and NE with a mean of  $\sim 001^\circ$ , dip NE and NW with a mean of  $71^\circ$ , and have a maximum of  $271^\circ$ ,  $77^\circ$  N. Rakes are primarily moderate to steep and range from  $3$ - $89^\circ$ , with an average of  $56^\circ$  (Fig. 28).

Overall, beds ( $n=50$ ) in the study areas in the Chumstick Formation strike NW



n= 35

Figure 27. Stereographic projection of poles to beds in the Beehive Reservoir area. Kamb (1959) method, contour interval of  $2\sigma$ .



n= 16

Figure 28. Stereographic projection of faults and rakes (dots) in the Beehive Reservoir area. Maximum =  $271^{\circ}$ ,  $77^{\circ}$  NNE.

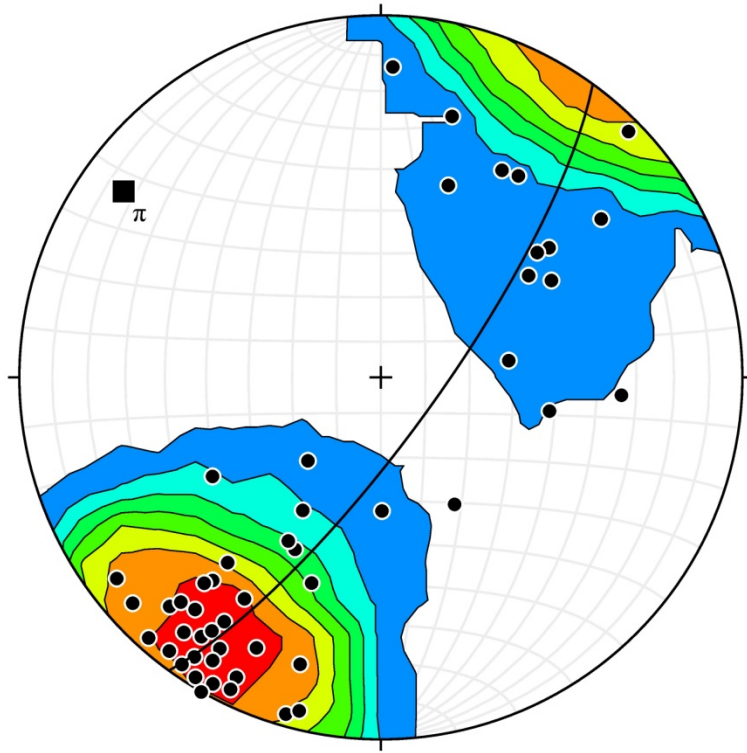
(averaging  $\sim 306^\circ$ ) and dip mostly to the NE (mean of  $66^\circ$ ). On a stereographic projection, poles to beds (Fig. 29) define a girdle with a maximum ( $304^\circ$ ,  $80^\circ$  NE), and indicate a fold axis plunging  $13^\circ$  towards  $306^\circ$ . Six folds of  $\sim 200$  m-1.3 km wavelength trend NW ( $\sim 270^\circ$ - $360^\circ$ ), and average  $\sim 312^\circ$ .

## **PETROGRAPHY**

### **Swauk Formation**

The goal of the petrographic study is to analyze the constituents of each clastic sample and to gain a better understanding of the provenance of the grains and rock fragments. A total of 8 sandstones from the Swauk Formation were analyzed for petrographic and point counting analysis, and results were plotted on a QFL ternary diagram (Dickinson and Suczek, 1979, Dickinson et al., 1983). The samples are described in stratigraphic order, and they are from Ruby Creek-Windmill Point (FS280, FS151, FS149) and Tronsen Ridge and vicinity (FS140, FS145, FS147, FS224, FS224A) (Fig. 30).

All Swauk sandstones consist dominantly of quartz, plagioclase (commonly fractured), lithics and micas. They are lithic arkose, subarkose, and feldspathic litharenite, plotting mostly in the transitional continental field, the recycled orogenic field, the dissected arc provenance field, and the mixed field on a QFL ternary diagram (Fig. 31). Secondary calcite and chlorite are abundant in some samples. Mineral modes for the set of samples before normalizing the data plotted in the QFL ternary diagrams (Appendix B) are as follows: quartz ranges from  $\sim 36$ - $68\%$  and averages  $\sim 49\%$ ; feldspars range from  $\sim 14$ - $32\%$  and average  $\sim 23\%$ ; and biotite ranges from  $\sim 3$ - $8\%$  and averages  $\sim 5\%$ .



n=50

Figure 29. Stereographic projection of all poles to beds in the Chumstick Formation. Kamb (1959) method, contour interval of  $2\sigma$ .  $\Pi = 306^\circ, 13^\circ$ . Maximum of  $304^\circ, 80^\circ$  NE.

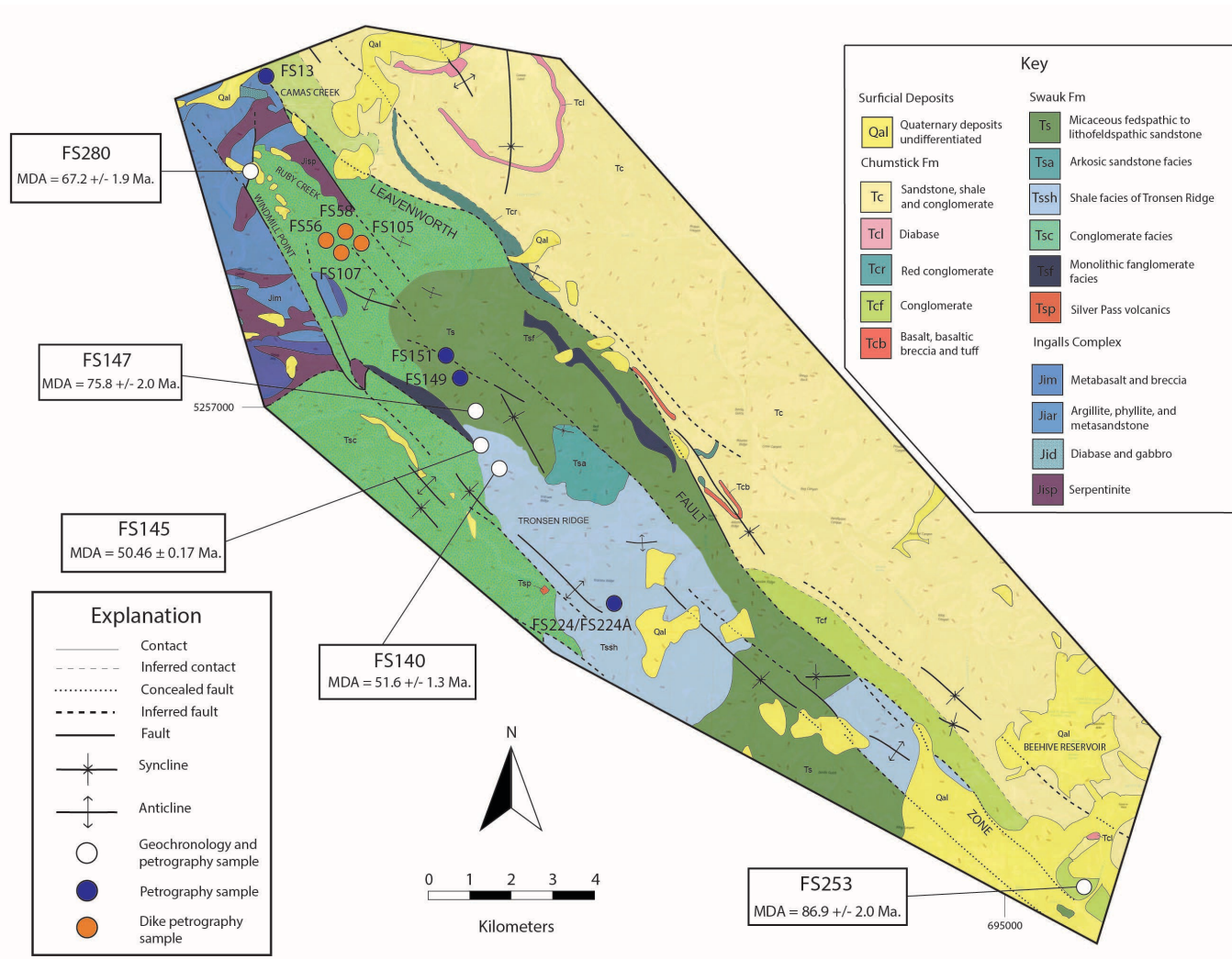


Figure 30. Map of the field area showing the location of dated samples and samples petrographically analyzed. Maximum depositional ages (MDA) are also listed. See Appendix A for list of UTM locations of dated samples.

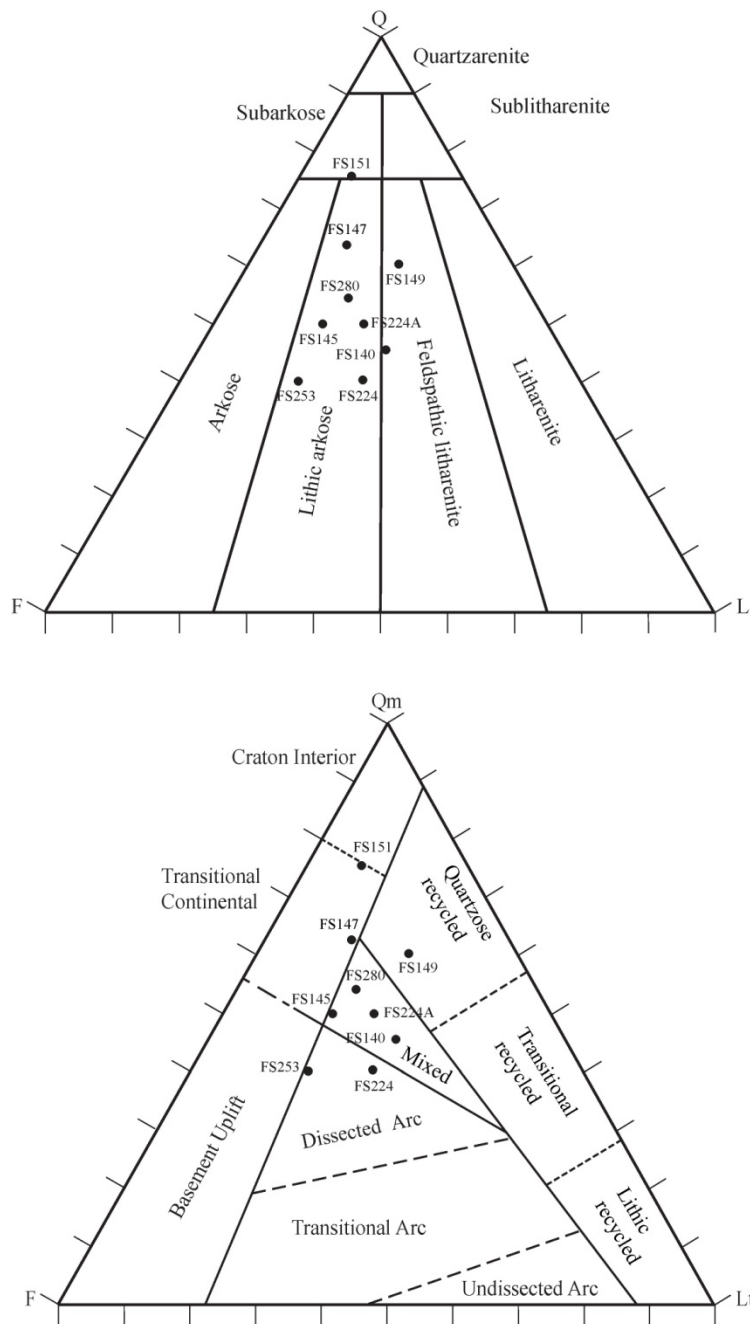


Figure 31. Ternary plots for Swauk Formation sandstones and FS253 of the Chumstick Formation. Samples plot primarily as lithic arkoses and feldspathic litharenites and in the transitional continental, dissected arc, mixed, and quartzose recycled provenance fields (Dickinson et al., 1983). Q-F-Lt values were normalized to equal 100%. See Appendix B for detailed point counting data.



Miscellaneous and unidentified components include muscovite, oxides, and cement. Chert, unidentified metamorphic clasts, and/or volcanic rock fragments are common in most samples (Appendix B) and are described in more detail below.

Sample FS280 (MDA =  $67.2 \pm 1.9$  Ma.) was collected at the northwestern end of the Ruby Creek-Windmill Point transect (Fig. 30). The sandstone is clast supported and mostly coarse grained. On a QFL ternary diagram, this sample is a lithic arkose (Fig. 31). In addition to the typical minerals, minor minerals include hornblende, oxides, microcline, clinozoisite, and epidote. Overall, this sample contains ~6% metamorphic fragments, including phyllite, serpentinite, well-foliated, fine-grained chlorite-muscovite-schist, biotite schist, ~4% mafic volcanic fragments, ~3% felsic volcanic fragments, and ~4% chert fragments. Volcanic fragments are too small to further classify using a petrographic microscope. There are clasts with myrmekitic texture, and quartz grains have minor Boehm lamellae. Grains are poorly sorted, sub-angular to angular, and have a low sphericity (Fig. 32).

Sample FS151 was collected ~ 6 km south of FS280, between the Ruby Creek-Windmill Point area and Tronsen Ridge (Fig. 30), and the outcrop is composed of 50% fine-grained sandstone and 50% shale interbeds (Fig. 33A). This sample was mapped as micaceous feldspathic to lithofeldspathic sandstone by Tabor et al. (1982); however, on a QFL diagram, the sample is a fine-grained subarkose (Fig. 31). In addition to the typical minerals, this sample has sericitized plagioclase, and folded biotite is common between quartz grains. Clinozoisite occurs in minor amounts. Overall, this sample contains ~7% mafic volcanic rock fragments, ~1% metamorphic fragments, including fine-grained

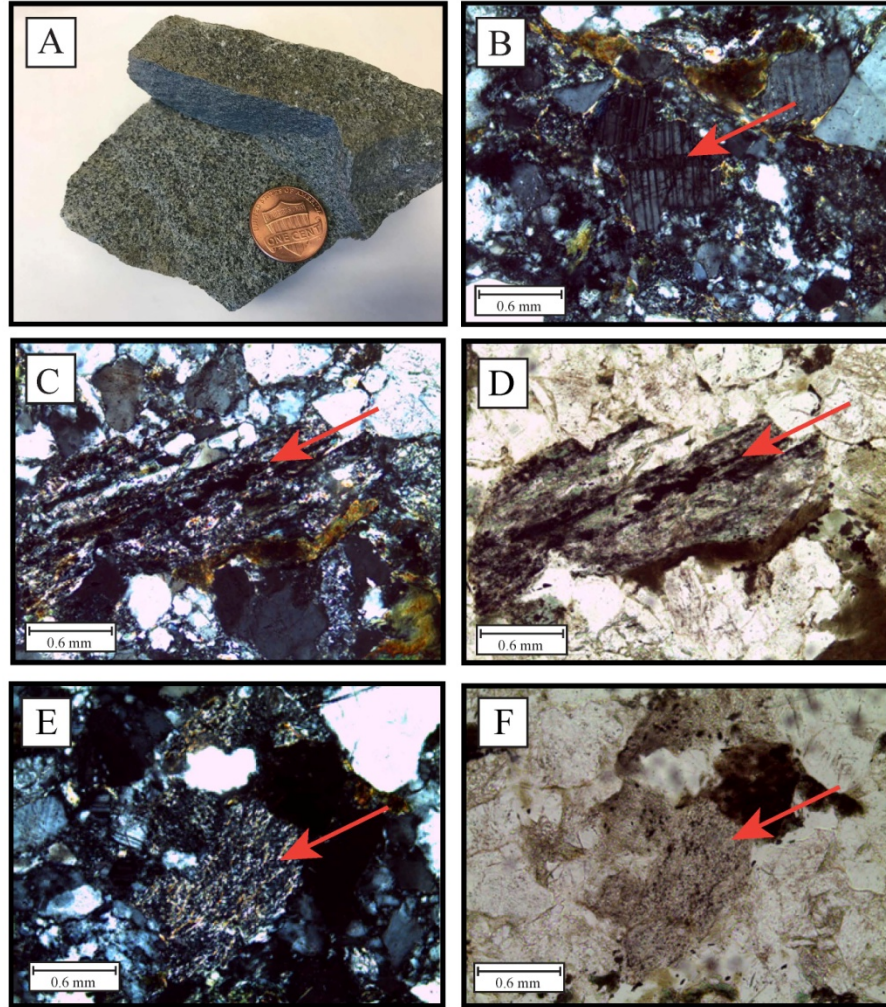


Figure 32. Sample FS280 of the Swauk Formation in the Ruby Creek-Windmill Point area. A) Hand sample. B) Fractured plagioclase in crossed polars. C) and D) Well-foliated phyllite in crossed polars and plane light, respectively. E) and F) Fine-grained, well-foliated chloritic schist in crossed polars and plane light, respectively.

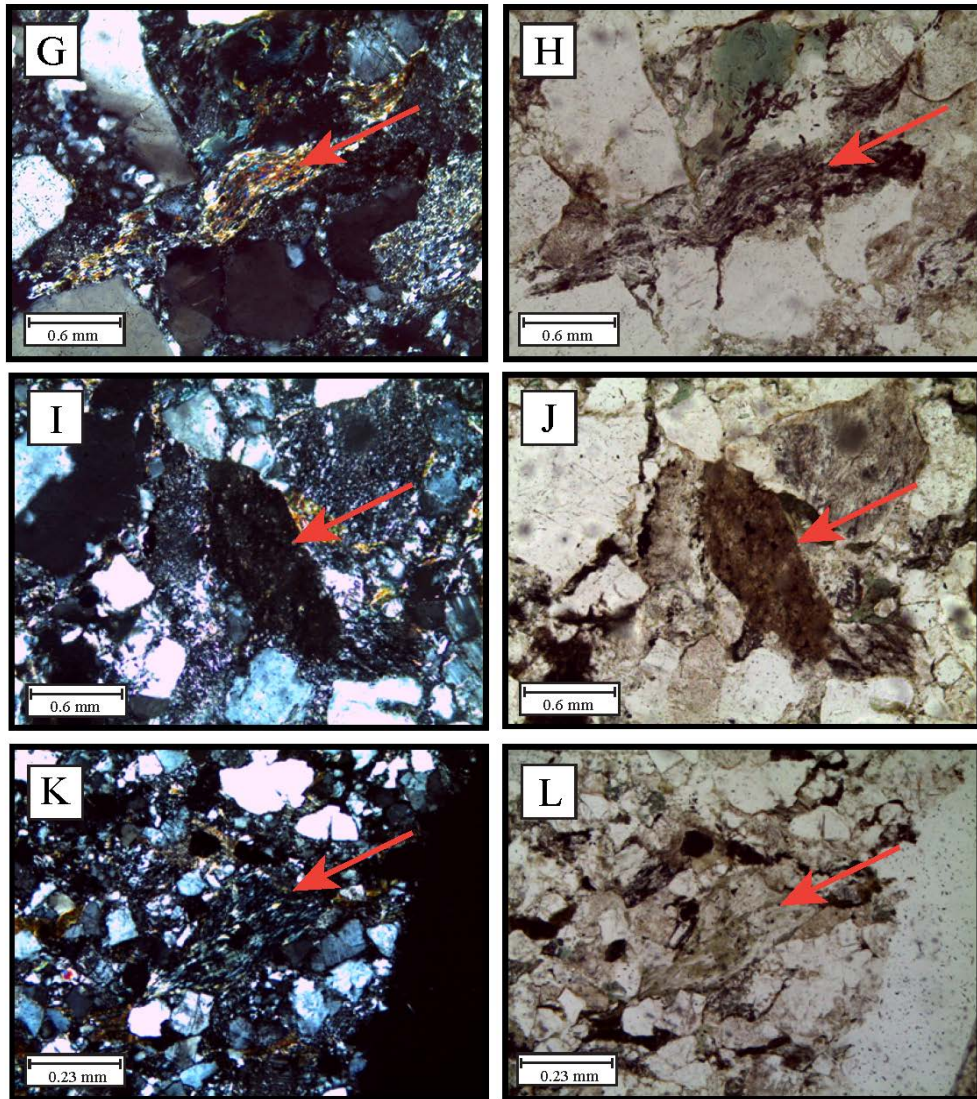


Figure 32 (continued). G) and H) Fine-grained, well-foliated biotite schist in crossed polars and plane light, respectively. I) and J) Fine-grained, mafic volcanic rock in crossed polars and plane light, respectively. K) and L) Serpentinite in crossed polars and plane light, respectively.



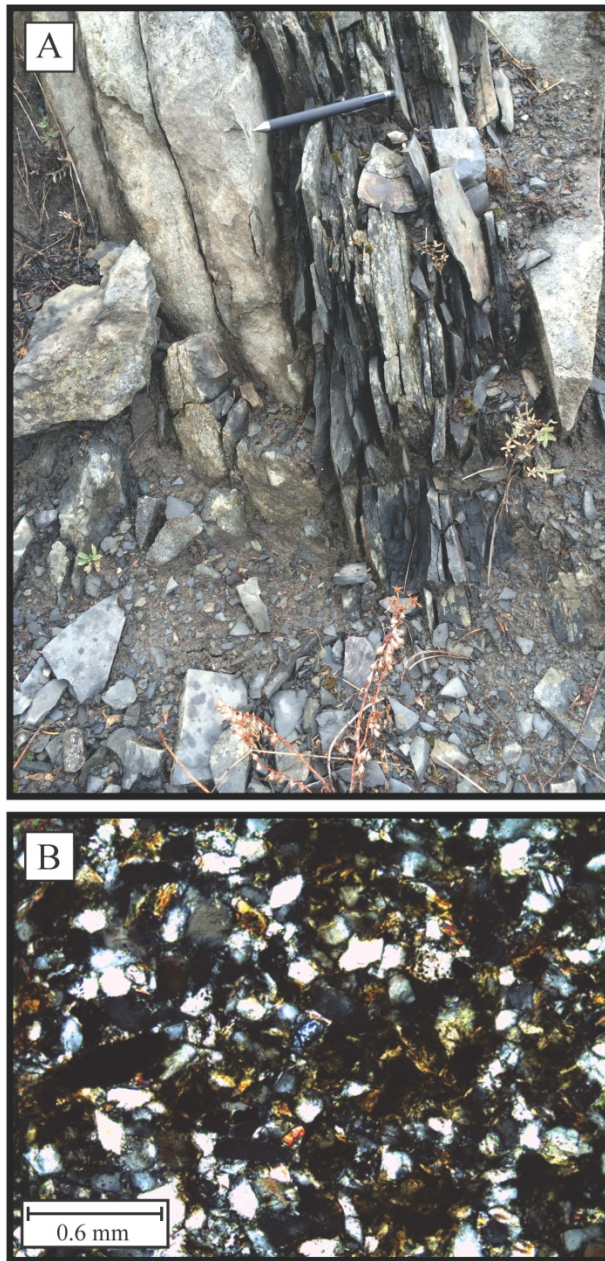


Figure 33: Sample FS151 of the Swauk Formation between the Ruby Creek-Windmill Point area and Tronsen Ridge. A) Outcrop of sandstone and shale interbeds. B) Sample FS151 under crossed polars showing well-sorted grains.

micaceous quartzite with elongate quartz and fine-grained, well-foliated phyllite, and 0% felsic volcanic fragments. This fine-grained (~ 1/4–1/8 mm) sandstone is very well sorted and clast supported, and grains are angular with a high sphericity (Fig. 33B).

Sample FS149 was collected ~1 km south of FS151, between Ruby Creek and Tronsen Ridge (Fig. 30) from an outcrop of fine-grained, thinly bedded, grey sandstone. Common minerals are present as well as minor clinozoisite. Overall, rock fragments average ~22% of this sample, and include chert and two types of metamorphic rock fragments: fine-grained micaceous quartzite with elongate quartz and fine-grained, well-foliated phyllite. This sandstone is clast supported and very poorly sorted to poorly sorted; grains have low sphericity, and the sandstone is mostly fine to medium grained with some coarse grains (Fig. 34).

Sample FS147 was collected ~ 1 km south of FS149 (Fig. 30) from an outcrop of thinly bedded, fine-grained sandstone. On a QFL diagram, this sample is a lithic arkose (Fig. 31). In addition to the typical minerals, muscovite, folded chlorite, epidote, and minor clinozoisite are also present. Quartz and biotite grains are moderately aligned (Fig. 35). Overall, this sample contains ~8% metamorphic rock fragments, including phyllite, ~2 % mafic volcanic clasts, ~2% felsic volcanic clasts, some of which are altered by chlorite, and even smaller amounts of chert (~1%). This sandstone is matrix supported or supported by rock fragments compacted between the grains. Grains are very well sorted, equigranular, subrounded, and have a moderate to high sphericity (Fig. 35).

Sample FS140 (MDA =  $51.6 \pm 1.3$  Ma.) of the upper Tronsen Ridge Member (Fig. 30) was collected ~3 km south of FS149, from an outcrop of 50% medium-grained

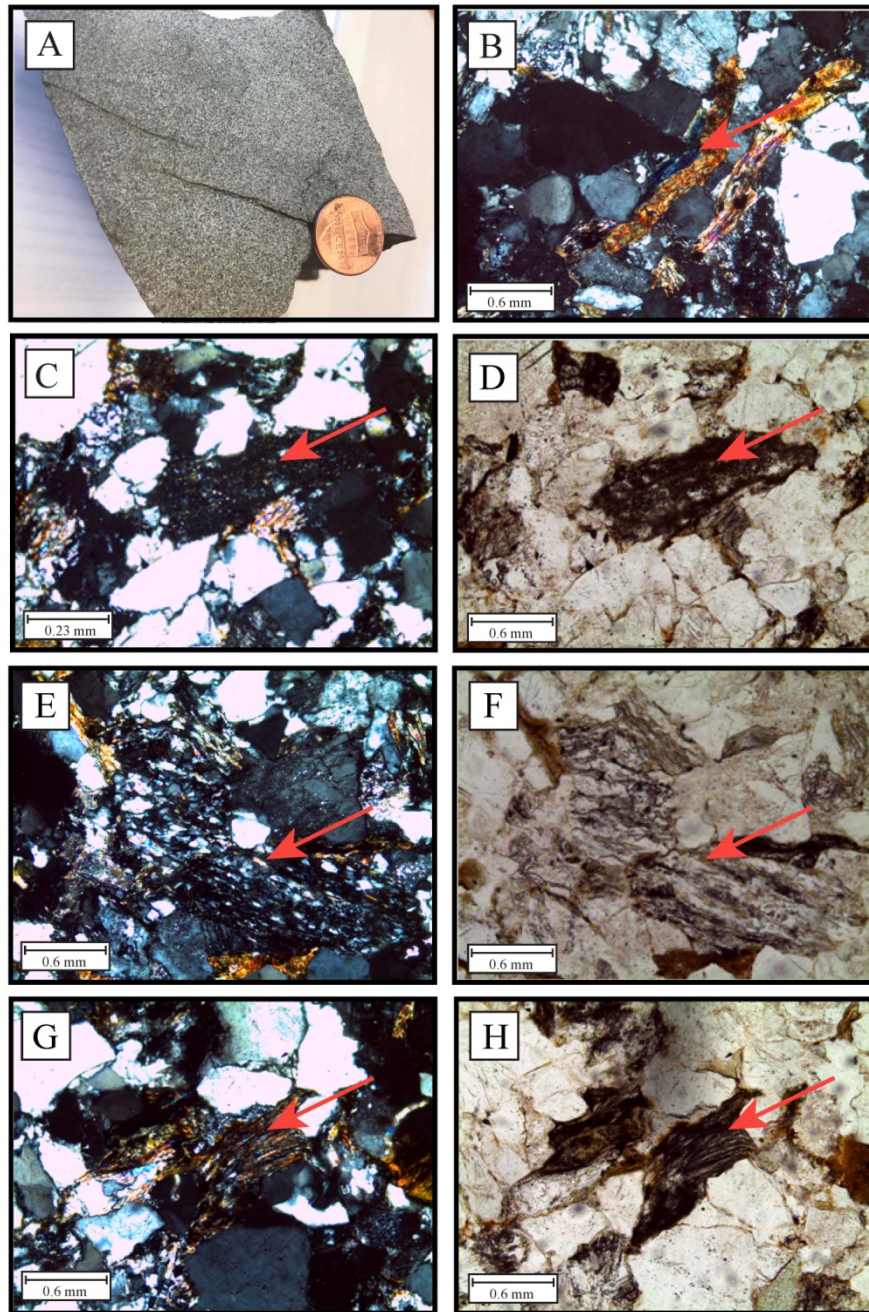


Figure 34. Sample FS149 of the Swauk Formation between the Ruby Creek-Windmill Point area and Tronsen Ridge. A) Hand sample. B) Folded biotite and chloritized biotite in crossed polars. C) and D) Mafic volcanic fragment in crossed polars and plane light, respectively. E) and F) Fine-grained micaceous quartzite with elongate quartz in crossed polars and plane light, respectively. G) and H) Muscovite-bearing phyllite in crossed polars and plane light, respectively.



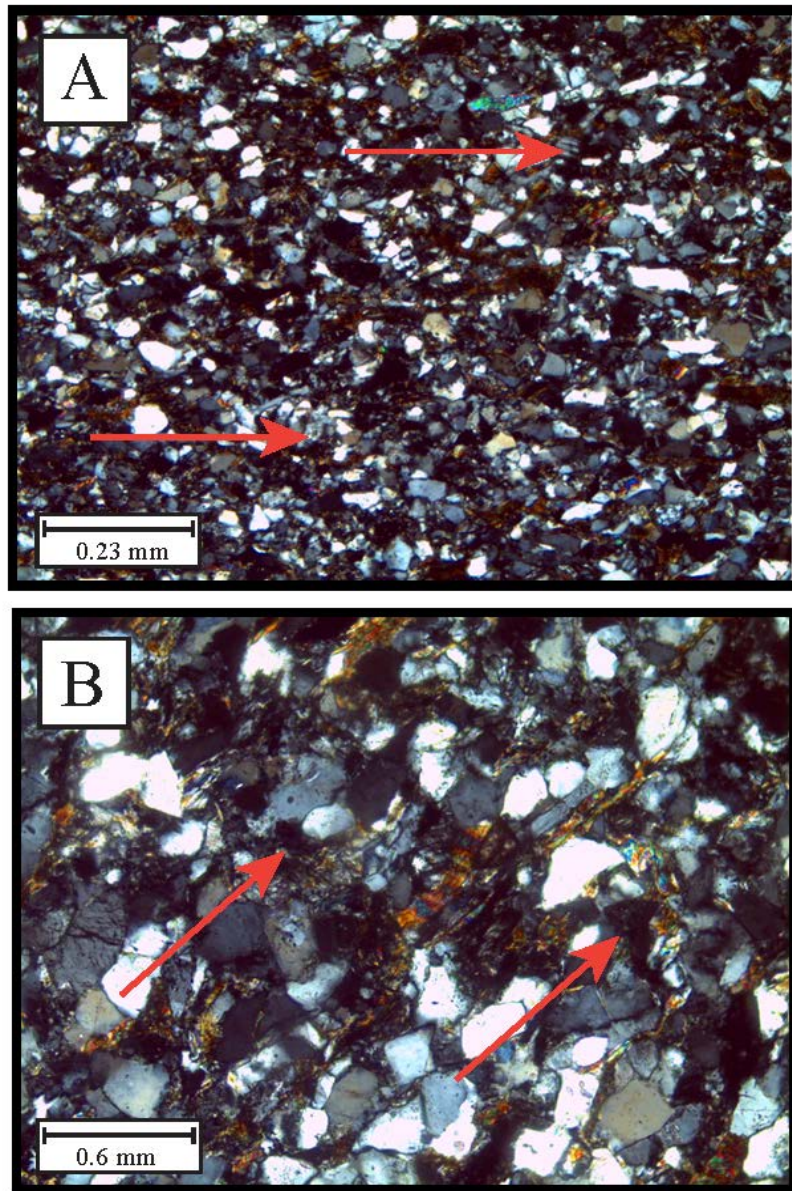


Figure 35. Sample FS147 of the Swauk Formation between the Ruby Creek-Windmill Point area and Tronsen Ridge. A) and B) Alignment of grains in crossed-polars, indicated by the red arrows.

sandstone and 50% shale interbeds. On a QFL diagram, this sample is a feldspathic litharenite (Fig. 31). In addition to the typical minerals, microcline, hornblende, and minor clinozoisite are present. Plagioclase is sericitized and fractured, and myrmekitic texture is common. A cataclastic band cuts through the sample. Overall, this sample contains ~7% felsic rock fragments, ~5% mafic rock fragments, ~5% metamorphic rock fragments, ~5% chert, and ~5% unidentified lithics. Volcanic fragments are extensively altered by chlorite. This sandstone is clast supported and has a clay matrix; grains are poorly sorted and angular with moderate sphericity (Fig. 36).

Sample FS145 (MDA =  $50.46 \pm 0.17$  Ma) of the upper Tronsen Ridge Member was collected ~ 1 km south of FS147 (Fig. 30) from an outcrop of medium-grained sandstone. On a QFL diagram, this sample is a lithic arkose (Fig. 31). In addition to the typical minerals, apatite and tourmaline are present in minor amounts. Plagioclase albite law twinning, minor strain lamellae in feldspars, and sericitized plagioclase are present. Overall, this sample contains ~5% metamorphic fragments, including graphitic biotite phyllite, and quartz-muscovite-biotite-phyllite, ~4% felsic volcanic fragments, ~3% sedimentary fragments, and ~2% mafic volcanic fragments. Many volcanic fragments have porphyritic texture. This sandstone is clay supported and moderately sorted, and grains are sub-angular to sub-rounded with low sphericity (Fig. 37).

Sample FS224 of the lower Tronsen Ridge Member was collected ~4 km SE of FS140 (Fig. 30) from an outcrop of coarse-grained, cross-bedded sandstone. On a QFL diagram, this sample is a lithic arkose (Fig. 31). In addition to the typical minerals, clinozoisite and epidote occur and myrmekitic texture is present. Secondary calcite



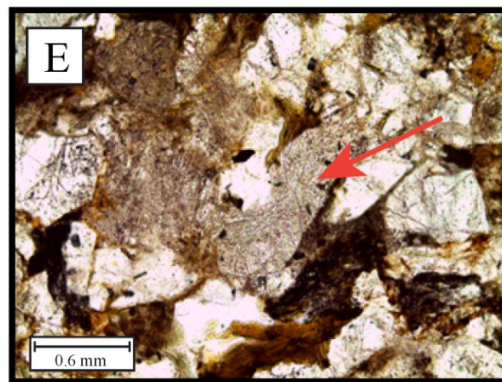
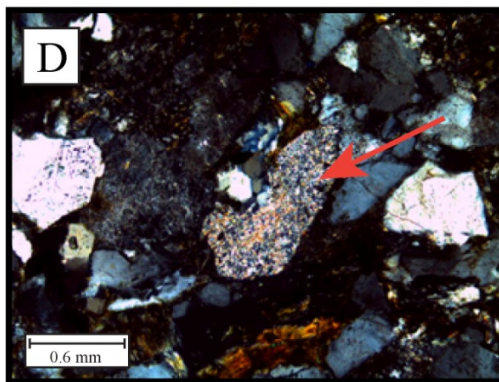
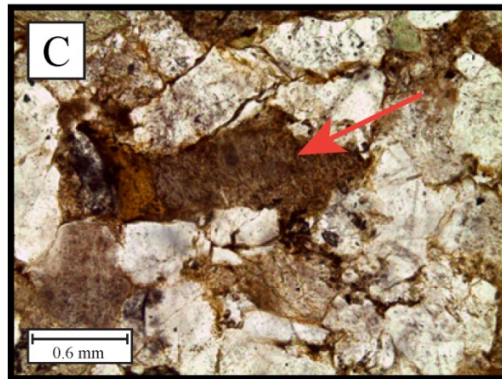
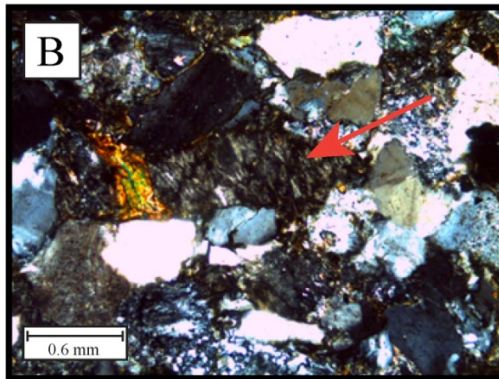
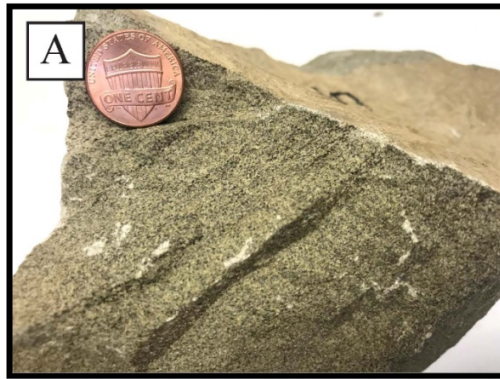


Figure 36. Sample FS140 of the upper Tronsen Ridge Member of the Swauk Formation. A) Hand sample. B) and C) Mafic volcanic rock fragments altered by chlorite in crossed polars and plane light, respectively. D) and E) Felsic volcanic rock fragment altered by chlorite in crossed polars and plane light, respectively.

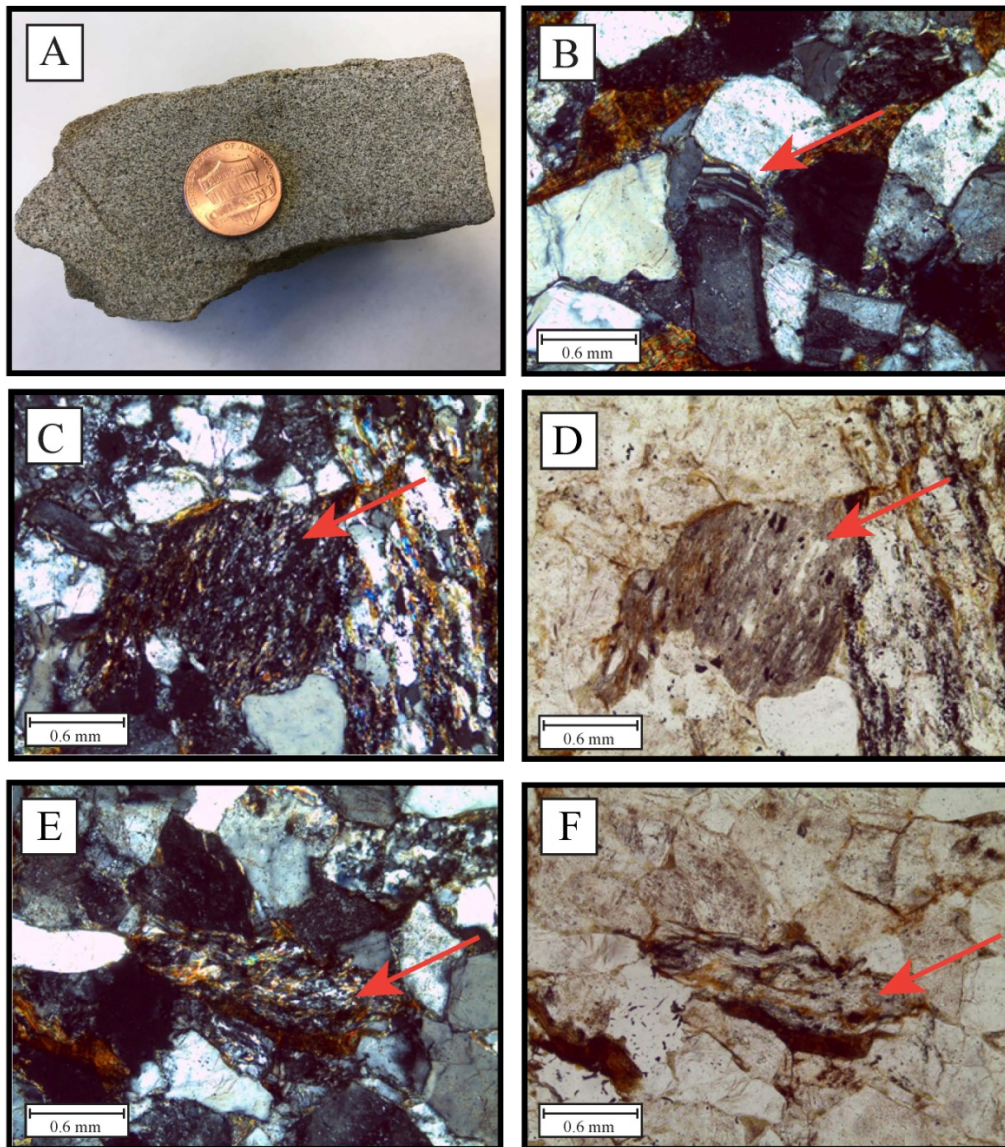


Figure 37. Sample FS145 of the upper Tronsen Ridge Member of the Swauk Formation. A) Hand sample. B) A kink fold of a plagioclase crystal. C) and D) Graphitic biotite phyllite in cross polars and plane light, respectively. E) and F) A low grade, foliated, metamorphic rock (unable to differentiate further) fragment with biotite in crossed polars and plane light, respectively.

occurs in some rock fragments and some plagioclase grains are fractured. This sample contains ~10% felsic volcanic rock fragments, ~6% mafic volcanic rock fragments, ~6% chert, and ~3% metamorphic rock fragments. Diabase is also present in minor amounts and volcanic fragments are commonly altered by chlorite. This sandstone is clast supported and mostly coarse grained. Grains are well to moderately sorted, and angular with moderate sphericity (Fig. 38).

Sample FS224A of the lower Tronsen Ridge Member is a coarse-grained sandstone concretion collected in the same outcrop as sample FS224 (Fig. 30). On a QFL diagram, this sample is a lithic arkose (Fig. 31). In addition to the typical minerals, minor muscovite, and rare clinozoisite are also present. Fractured grains are common. Overall, this sample contains ~5% chert, ~6% mafic volcanic fragments, ~5% felsic volcanic fragments rich in biotite and quartz, and ~2% metamorphic rock fragments, including graphitic schist and biotite-bearing phyllite. Diabase is also present in minor amounts. This sample contains 7% less rock fragments than sample FS224. This difference can be attributed to the removal of these fragments due to replacement by carbonates, or the compaction of rock fragments between grains in sample 224A. Sample 224A has calcite cement and is matrix supported. Grains are poorly sorted, and angular with low sphericity (Fig. 39).

### **Chumstick Formation**

Two samples were point counted from the Devil's Gulch Member of the Chumstick Formation, including a sample from the northern segment of the member near Camas Creek (FS13) and another southwest of Beehive Reservoir (FS253) (Fig. 30). These



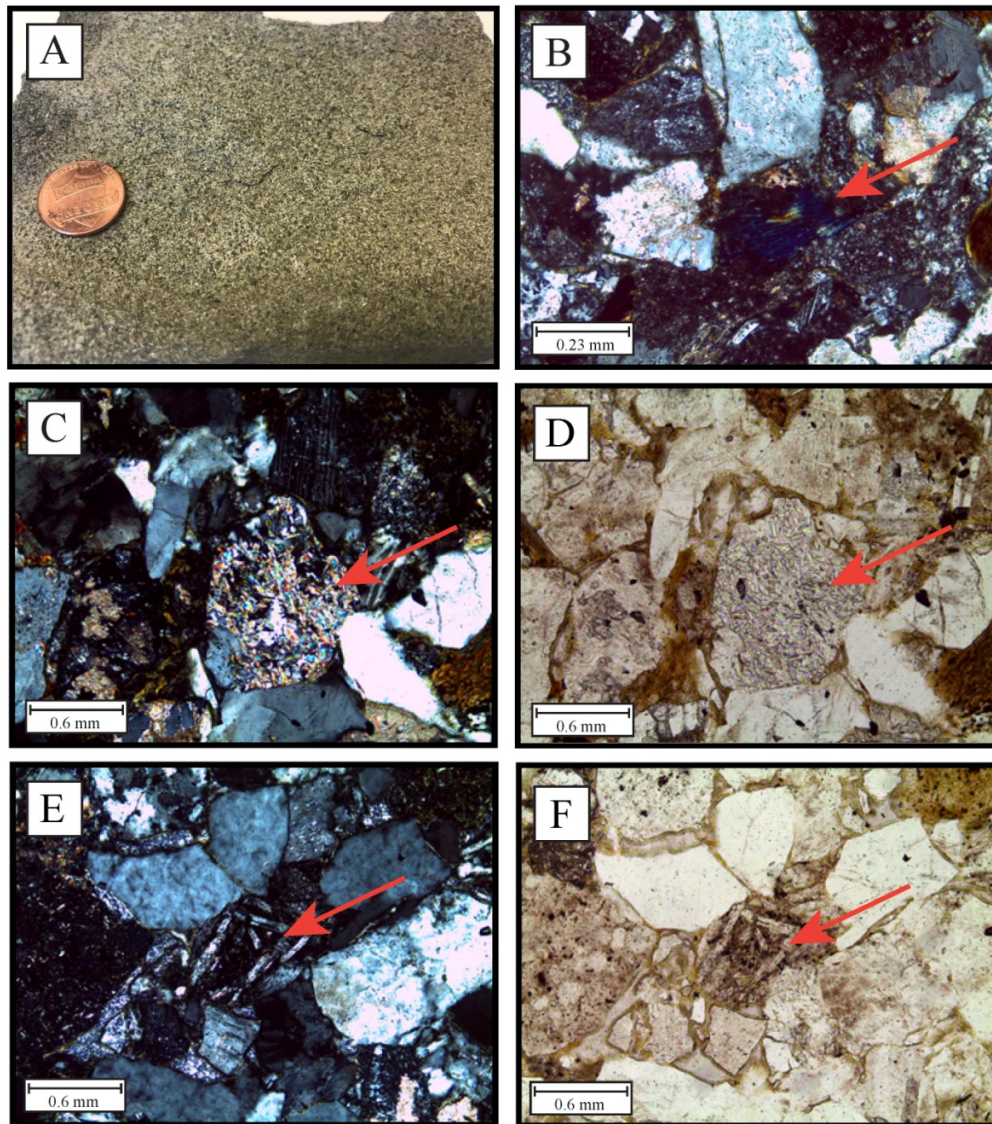


Figure 38. Sample FS224 of the lower Tronsen Ridge Member of the Swauk Formation. A) Hand sample. B) Chloritized biotite. C) and D) Felsic volcanic rock fragment altered by chlorite in crossed polars and plane light, respectively. E) and F) A diabase fragment in crossed polars and plane light, respectively.



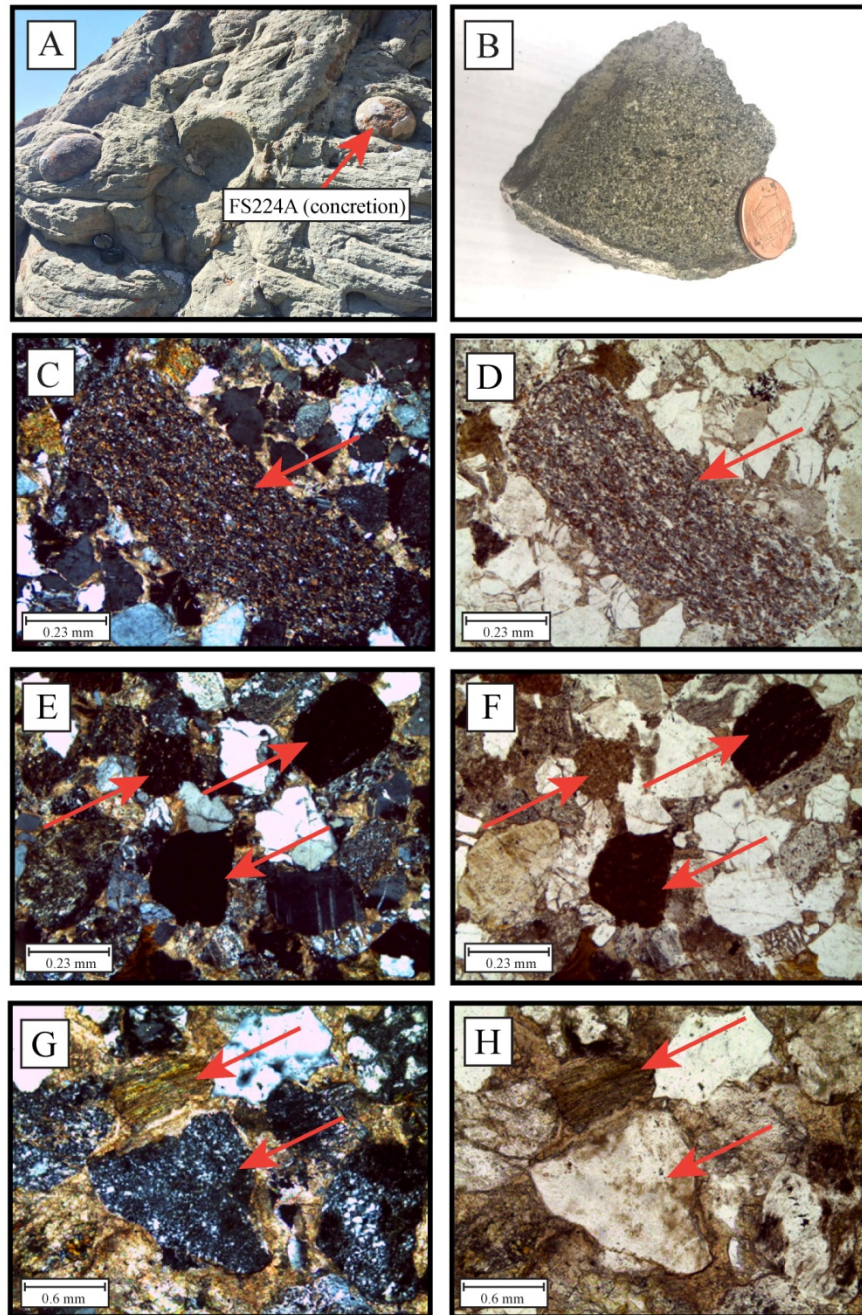


Figure 39. Sample FS224A of the lower Tronsen Ridge Member of the Swauk Formation. A) Outcrop FS224 and concretions FS224A. B) Hand sample of sandstone concretion. C) and D) Fine-grained graphitic schist in crossed polars and plane light, respectively. E) and F) Mafic volcanic rock fragments in crossed polars and plane light, respectively. G) and H) Fine-grained, metamorphic rock fragment rich in biotite (upper) and a chert fragment (lower) in crossed polars and plane light, respectively.

samples consist dominantly of quartz, plagioclase, and micas. Mineral modes for quartz range from ~34-80% and average ~57%, plagioclase ranges from ~8-35% with an average of ~22%, and biotite ranges from ~6-10% with an average of ~8%. Biotite is commonly folded. These two samples are described individually in detail below.

Sample FS13 was collected ~0.5 km east of the Ingalls Complex (Fig. 30) and is a siltstone interbed within the conglomerate of the Devil's Gulch Member. The outcrop is fine-grained and dips west. This sample contains recrystallized and moderately elongate quartz with sutured boundaries, and smaller amounts (6%) of detrital muscovite between the quartz grains. Granoblastic texture is present in some quartz grains and bedding is evident by a change from fine to medium grain size (Fig. 40). There are no visible rock fragments.

Sample FS253 (MDA =  $86.9 \pm 2.0$  Ma.) was collected ~ 3 km SW of Beehive Reservoir within the Leavenworth fault zone (Fig. 30) and is conglomerate of the Devil's Gulch Member (Tabor et al., 1982). This sample contains biotite crystals ranging in length from ~ 1-5 mm, and quartz crystals ranging in length from ~ 1 mm - 1 cm. In addition to the typical minerals, minor tremolite, muscovite, and clinozoisite are present. The rock contains abundant folded biotite, minor clasts with myrmekite texture, sericitized plagioclase, and calcite replacement of feldspar. Overall, this sample contains ~ 5% chert, ~3% felsic volcanic fragments, ~1% mafic volcanic fragments, and ~4% metamorphic rock fragments. Volcanic fragments are commonly altered by chlorite. This sample is framework supported and lacks porosity; grains are very poorly sorted to

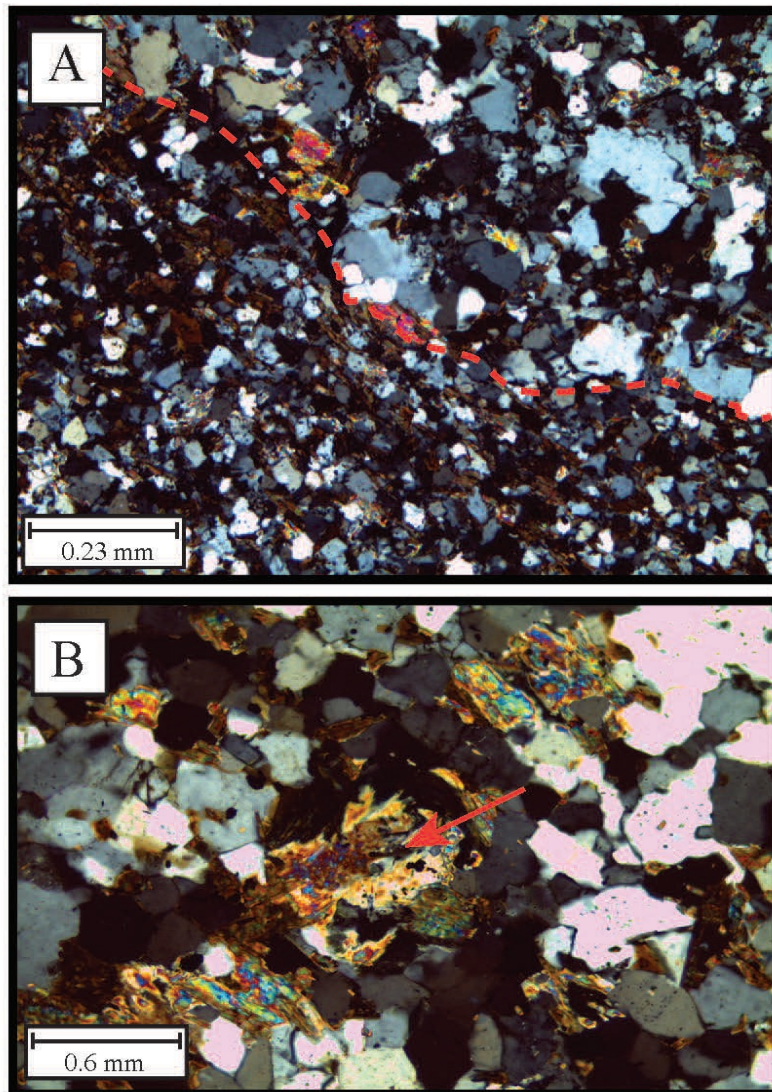


Figure 40. Sample FS13 of Devil's Gulch Member of the Chumstick Formation near Camas Creek. A) Bedding defined by difference in grain size is roughly marked by the dashed red line; in crossed polars. B) Detrital muscovite between sutured, recrystallized quartz marked by the red arrow; in crossed polars.

poorly sorted, very fine to very coarse grained, and are very angular with low sphericity (Fig. 41).

### **Teanaway Dikes**

The early Eocene (~ 49.3 Ma; Eddy et al., 2016) Teanaway Formation consists of basaltic flows, breccias and tuffs, and minor rhyolites and fluvial sedimentary rocks (Tabor et al., 1984, 2000). Abundant dikes intruding the Swauk Formation are referred to as Teanaway dikes (Foster, 1958; Tabor et al., 1982, 1984) and are interpreted to be synchronous with the volcanic rocks of the Teanaway Formation. In the study area, Teanaway dikes are common in the northern transects, such as in the Ruby Creek-Windmill Point area, and are rare in the Tronsen Ridge area.

Four dike samples were collected in the Ruby Creek-Windmill Point area at stations FS56, FS58, FS105, and FS107 (Fig. 30). In hand sample, the dikes are aphanitic and equigranular, with the exception of FS107, which is mildly porphyritic, displaying ~0.5 mm long plagioclase crystals. Colors range from tan, to purplish-gray, to dark gray.

In thin-section (Fig. 42), dikes consist dominantly of plagioclase laths, and secondary biotite and chlorite; minor quartz occurs in some dikes. Clinopyroxene and hornblende are the dominant primary mafic minerals. In addition, FS56 contains oxides, FS105 has apatite needles (Fig. 42D), suggesting quenching, and FS107 has sizable (~0.7 mm) and abundant (~15%) quartz, and hornblende replaced by biotite. Extensive low-temperature alteration prevents further analysis (Fig. 42). These observations are in accordance with those of Doran (2009) and Foster (1958).



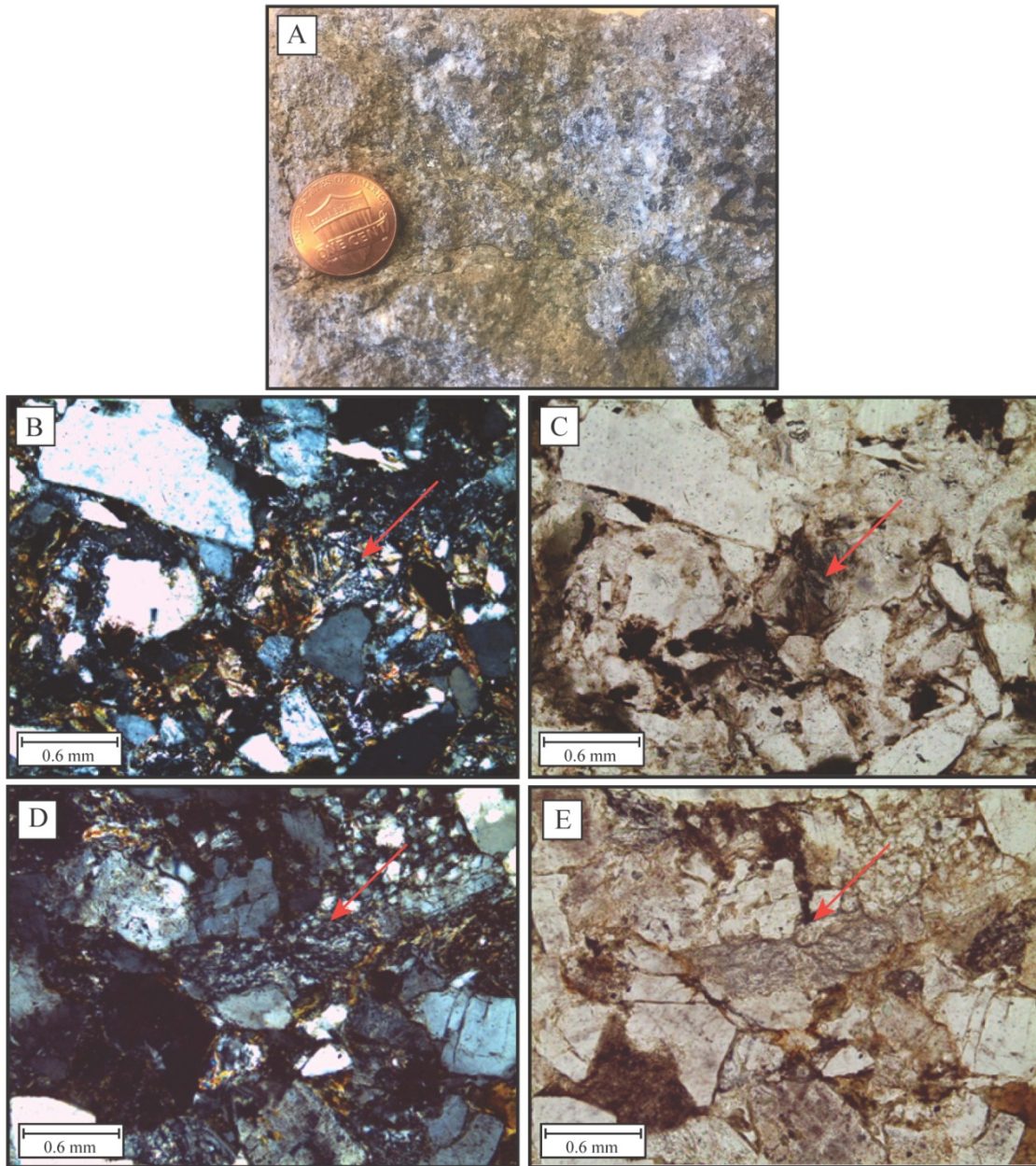


Figure 41. Sample FS253 of the Chumstick Formation southwest of Beehive Reservoir. A) Hand sample. B) and C) Felsic volcanic rock fragment altered by chlorite in crossed polars and plane light, respectively. D) and E) Chert in crossed polars and plane light, respectively.

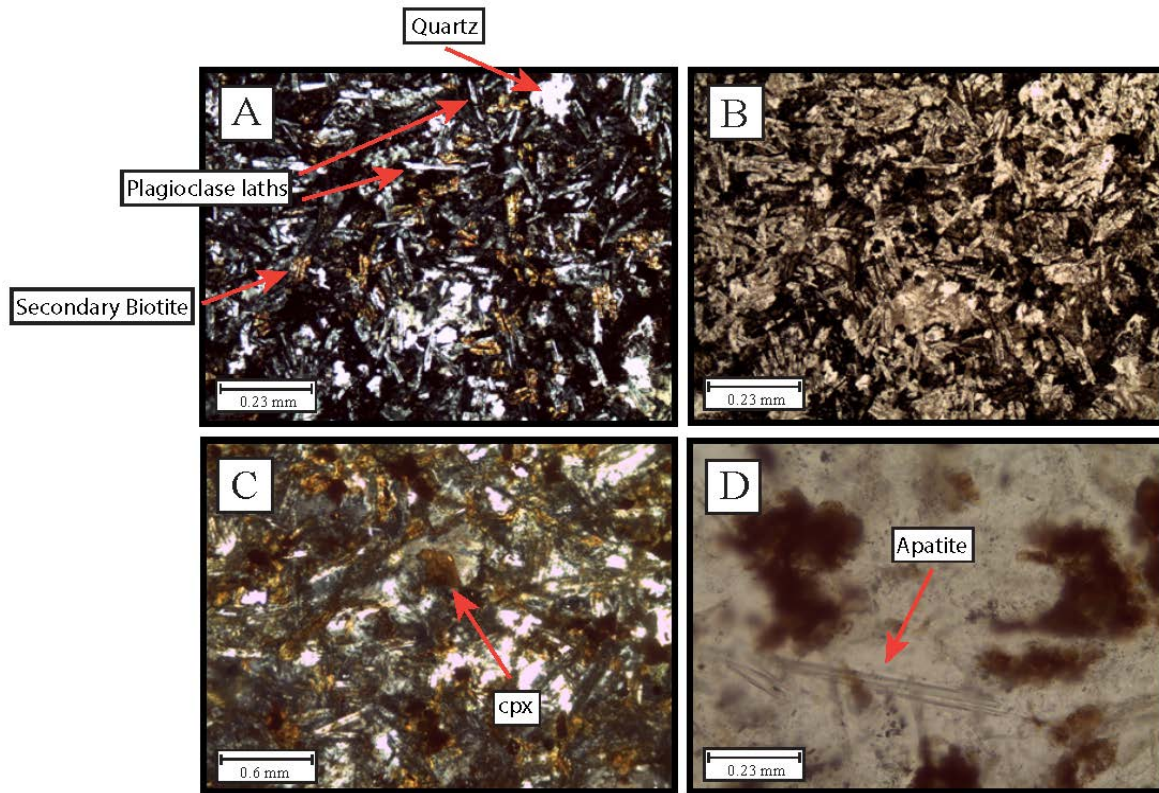


Figure 42. Photomicrographs of Teanaway dikes. A) and B) Dike showing common minerals under cross polars and plane light, respectively. C) Clinopyroxene in sample FS56. D) Apatite needles in sample FS105.

## **GEOCHRONOLOGY AND PROVENANCE OF UNITS**

The goal of the detrital zircon geochronology carried out for this study is to determine maximum depositional age and rock provenance of sandstones in and near the Leavenworth fault zone. Dating sandstone samples from different stratigraphic locations was conducted using Back-Scattered Electron (BSE) imaging and LA-ICPMS at the LaserChron lab in Tucson, Arizona. Four Swauk samples (FS280, FS140, FS145, FS147) and one Chumstick sample (FS253) were processed. One zircon from sample FS145 was re-evaluated using high precision CA-ID-TIMS (see methods) by M. Eddy (Fig. 30). See Appendix A for a list of UTM locations of dated samples.

The geochronological data from this study, along with paleocurrent data (Fraser, 1985; Taylor et al., 1988), imply that the dated detritus reflects a local provenance. Paleocurrent data and ages from tuffs suggest that Swauk sediment was predominantly derived from the north and northeast between  $\leq 59.9$  and  $\sim 51.3$  Ma, and was followed by a reversal in paleoflow direction from the southwest between  $\sim 51.3$  and 49.9 Ma (Frizzell, 1979; Tabor et al., 1984; Eddy et al., 2016).

The potential sources for the Swauk Formation to the north and northeast are largely rocks of the Cascades crystalline core and the Okanogan Range batholith (Figs. 2 and 43). The adjacent Wenatchee block of the core is characterized by 96-86 Ma plutons that intrude the Early Cretaceous Chiwaukum Schist of the Nason terrane and Jurassic Ingalls Ophiolite (Figs. 2 and 43; Table 3) (Tabor et al., 1982, 1989; Miller, 1985; Miller et al., 2009a, 2016). The Chelan block of the Cascades crystalline core (Figs. 2 and 43; Table 3) consists mainly of 96-45 Ma plutons and meta-supracrustal rocks, including the Late



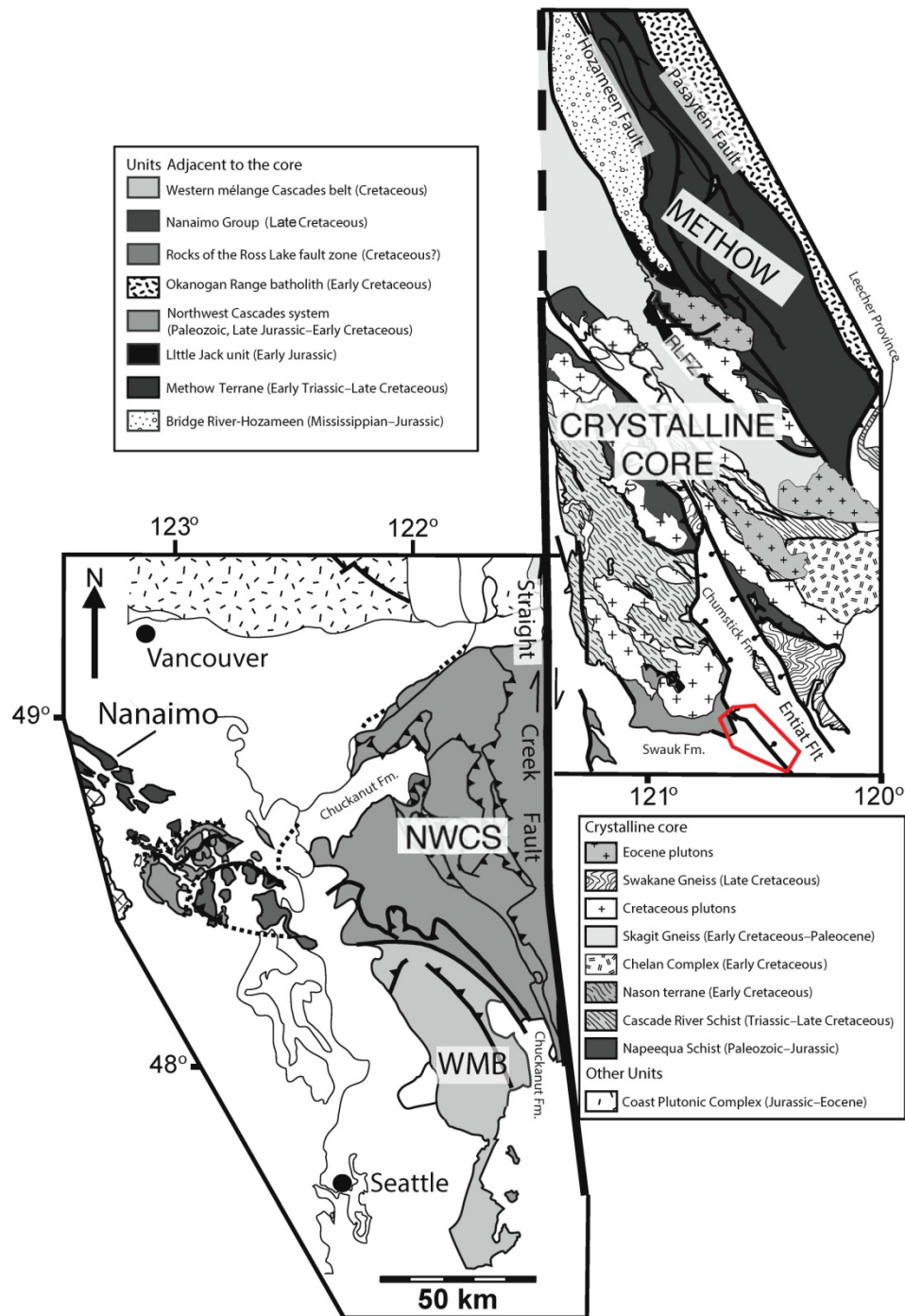


Figure 43. Geologic map emphasizing potential sources for Eocene clastic rocks and rocks in the Cascades core and adjacent units. Note location of study area (in red). Dextral strike-slip motion on the Straight Creek fault is restored to the maximum offset estimate (~170 km). NWCS=Northwest Cascades System, RLFZ=Ross Lake fault zone, WMB=western mélangé belt. Figure modified from Gordon et al. (2017).

Table 3. Overview of the crystallization ages of plutons in the Cascades core.

<b>Chelan Block Plutons</b>	<b>Age (Ma)</b>
Oval Peak	65
Entiat	73-71
Jordan Lakes	74
Hidden Lake	75
Cardinal Peak	78-72
High Pass	88
Bearcat Ridge	89
Eldorado	90
Black Peak	92-87
Seven-Fingered-Jack	92
Sulphur Mountain	96
Chelan Complex	Early Cretaceous
<b>Wenatchee Block Plutons</b>	<b>Age (Ma)</b>
Sloan Creek	90
Mount Stuart	96-91
Beckler Peak	91
Dirtyface	91
Tenpeak	92-89
Wenatchee Ridge	93
<b>Unfocused Magmas</b>	<b>Age (Ma)</b>
Napeequa Sheets	88-71
Cascade River Sheets	90-72
Nason Terrane Sheets	90
Skagit Orthogneiss	76-48

Note: Ages from Misch (1966), Miller and Bowring (1990), Walker and Brown (1991) Hurlow (1992), Matzel (2004), Matzel et al. (2006), Miller et al. (2009a, 2016), and Shea et al. (2017).

Cretaceous Swakane Biotite Gneiss, the Paleozoic-Jurassic Napeequa unit, the Triassic-Late Cretaceous Cascade River Schist-Holden unit, and orthogneisses of various ages (Table 4). Some of these units also occur in the northern part of the Wenatchee block (Tabor et al., 1989, 2003; Brown et al., 1994; Miller et al., 1994). Other sources to the east of the Cascades core include the Jurassic-Late Cretaceous clastic rocks of the Methow terrane (e.g., Barksdale, 1975; DeGraaff-Surpless et al., 2003; Surpless et al., 2014). Potential sources to the west of the Cascades core for the southwest-derived detritus are the Late Cretaceous sedimentary rocks of the Nanaimo Group, sandstones and plutonic rocks of the Cretaceous western mélangé belt, and the Late Paleozoic-Early Cretaceous Northwest Cascades system (Misch, 1966; Brandon, 1988; Brown et al., 1994; Mustard, 1994; Brown and Gehrels, 2007) (Fig. 43). Age clusters and sources for each sample are discussed below.

### **Swauk Formation**

Detrital zircons (n=108) were dated from sample FS280 from the Ruby Creek-Windmill Point area located in the northeastern part of the Swauk Formation (Fig. 30). This sample has a MDA of  $67.2 \pm 1.9$  Ma. The youngest and most prominent peak is ~73 Ma, followed by peaks of ~88 Ma and ~110 Ma, and a few ~168 Ma and ~208 Ma grains (Fig. 44).

The youngest, ~73 Ma peak probably has a local source in the Chelan block. Potential sources of this age in the block include the Entiat pluton, Cardinal Peak pluton, and orthogneiss in the Skagit Gneiss Complex (Haugerud et al., 1991; Miller et al., 2016) (Tables 3 and 4). The Cretaceous peaks (~88 Ma, ~110 Ma) could be derived from a

Table 4. Overview of detrital zircon ages of metamorphic units in the Cascades core.

<b>Host Rock</b>	<b>Depositional Age (Ma)</b>	<b>Detrital Zircon Age Peaks (Ma)</b>
Swakane Biotite Gneiss	Late Cretaceous, MDAs: ~91-87 Ma, ~82-78 Ma.	1.8-1.6 Ga, 1.4-1.3 Ga, 100-90, 160-150 Ma, 120 Ma.
Skagit Gneiss Complex	Early Cretaceous- Paleocene, MDAs: ~134, ~124, ~121, ~115, ~112, ~108, ~96 Ma.	Proterozoic-Late Cretaceous
Chiwaukum Schist	Early Cretaceous, MDA: 125 Ma.	152, 125
Cascade River Schist and Holden unit	Triassic-Late Cretaceous, MDAs: ~107, ~97, ~91 Ma.	230, 205, 190, 165, 150, 120, 115, 107, 96, 93
Ingalls Complex sediments	Late Jurassic	155-164, 150
Napeequa Schist	Paleozoic-Jurassic	245-225

Note: Ages from Haugerud et al. (1991), Walker and Brown (1991), Hurlow (1992), Matzel (2004), Brown and Gehrels (2007), Miller et al. (2009a, 2016), and Gordon et al. (2017).

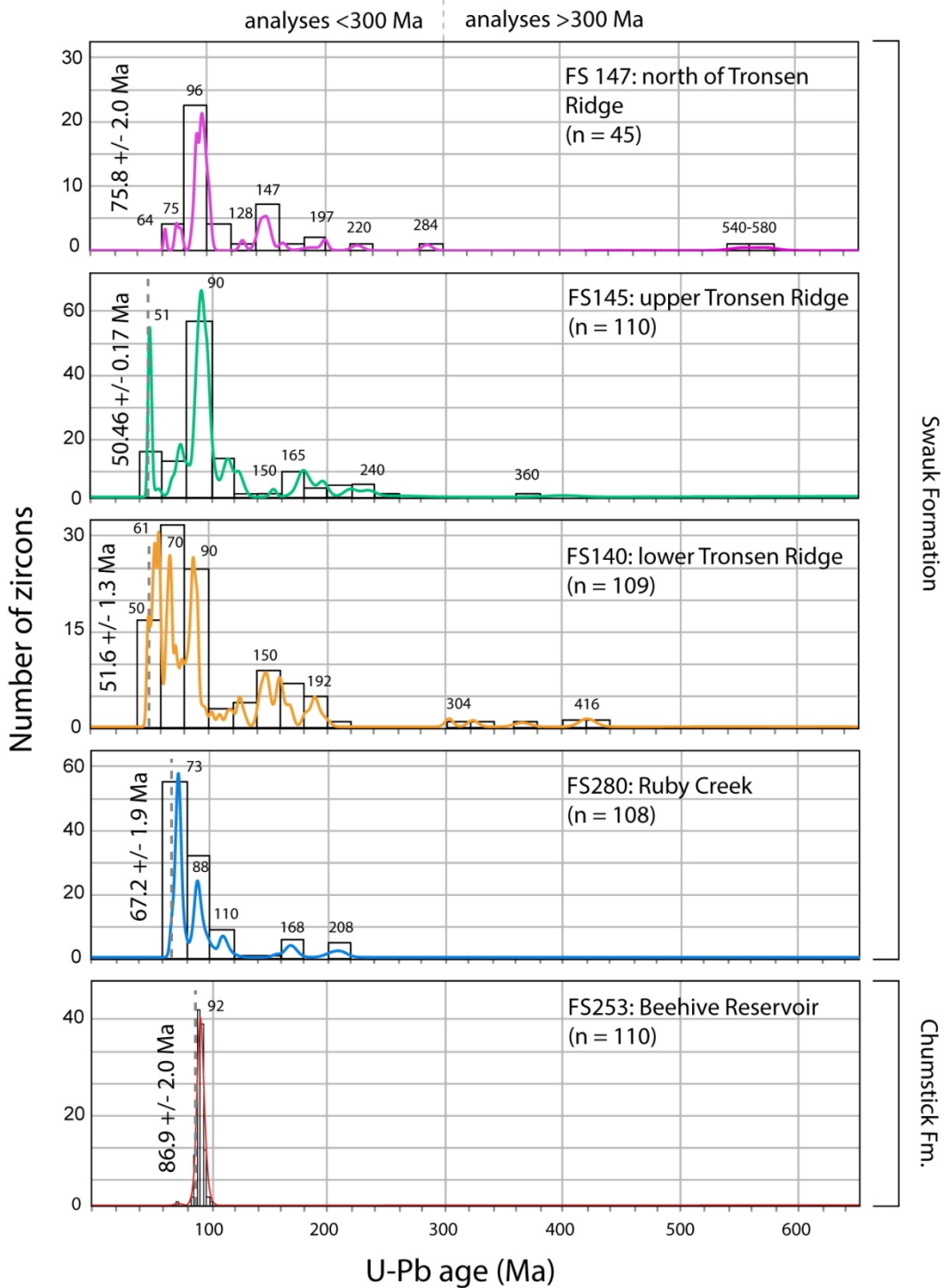


Figure 44. Relative probability plot of detrital zircon ages with MDA for all dated samples. Swauk samples are arranged in stratigraphic order.



combination of sources in the Wenatchee block and Chelan block to the northeast (Miller et al., 2009a) (Table 3). The ~110 Ma peak also has a potential source in the ~120-110 Ma Okanogan Range batholith (Hurlow, 1993), or represent reworked zircons from the Winthrop Formation and Jackass Mountain Group in the Methow basin (Surpless et al., 2014) (Fig. 43). The Middle Jurassic, ~168 Ma grains have a potential Cascade River Schist source, with a detrital zircon age peak at 165 Ma (Gordon et al., 2017) (Table 4). The ~208 Ma grains reflect numerous potential sources, including the Cascade River Schist and Holden unit, Little Jack unit, Dumbell Mountain plutons, and the Late Triassic Leecher metamorphics (Barksdale, 1975; Cater, 1982; Tabor et al., 1989, 2003; Miller et al., 1994; Gordon et al., 2017; Sauer et al., 2017) (Figs. 2 and 43; Table 4).

Detrital zircons (n=109) from sample FS140 of the Swauk sandstone from the lower part of the Tronsen Ridge Member (Fig. 30) have peaks at ~50 Ma, ~60-70 Ma and ~90 Ma, a broad spread with small peaks at ~127 Ma, ~150 Ma, and ~192 Ma, scattered ~304-420 Ma grains, and a MDA of  $51.6 \pm 1.3$  Ma (Fig. 44).

The youngest ~51 Ma peak can be attributed to 51-43 Ma Challis magmatism in northeastern Washington to Idaho (Dumitru et al., 2013), but is more likely sourced from the local ~51.3 Ma Silver Pass tuff to the west (Eddy et al., 2016). The ~61-70 Ma cluster has a potential Chelan block source, such as the 76-59 Ma orthogneisses in the Skagit Gneiss Complex and the 65 Ma Oval Peak pluton (Miller et al., 2009a, 2016) (Tables 3 and 4). A number of plutons in the Wenatchee and Chelan blocks are possible sources for the ~90 Ma detrital zircons (See Fig. 2 and Table 3). The Cretaceous and Jurassic, ~100-200 Ma grains may be derived from a combination of sources listed in Table 4, including:

Mesozoic detrital zircons of the western mélange belt (Sauer et al., 2017), Late Jurassic Ingalls Ophiolite Complex of the Northwest Cascades system (NWCS) (Miller, 1985), the Late Cretaceous Nanaimo Group (Mustard, 1994; Matthews et al., 2017), the Okanogan Range batholith (Hurlow, 1993), and the Jurassic-Cretaceous strata of the Methow terrane (Surpless et al., 2014; Gordon et al., 2017) (Figs. 2, 43, and 44). The source for the Paleozoic, ~300-360 Ma and ~400-420 Ma grains is poorly constrained; these grains may have been derived from nappes of the NWCS (Brandon et al., 1988; Brown and Gehrels, 2007) (Fig. 43).

Detrital zircons (n=110) for sample FS145, from the upper part of the Tronsen Ridge Member (Fig. 30), have peaks at ~51 Ma, ~90 Ma, a broad spread between ~150-240 Ma with peaks at ~164.8 Ma and ~240 Ma, and a single grain at ~360 Ma. This sample had a MDA of  $49.7 \pm 1.2$  Ma from the LA-ICPMS dates. The youngest dated zircon was later picked and re-evaluated by CA-ID-TIMS, providing a more precise MDA of  $50.46 \pm 0.17$  Ma (M. Eddy, written communication).

The magmatic rocks from the  $51.36 \pm 0.03$  Ma Silver Pass Member are likely responsible for the ~50 Ma grains, whereas plutonic rocks in the Wenatchee and Chelan blocks, and the sheets in the Nason terrane and in the Holden unit, may be the source of the ~90 Ma grains (Table 3). The Middle Triassic to Late Jurassic grains of ~150-240 Ma can be attributed to contributions from a number of sources included in Table 4 and other ones to the west and east of the Straight Creek fault, such as the Early Jurassic Little Jack unit (Sauer et al., 2017), Late Jurassic detrital zircons of the Nanaimo Group (Mustard, 1994), Jurassic detrital zircons of the western mélange belt and the Northwest Cascades

system to the southwest, and Late Jurassic rocks of the Methow basin to the northeast (Surpless et al., 2014; Sauer, 2017) (Figs. 2 and 43).

Detrital zircons (n=45) were dated from sample FS147, from the upper Swauk sandstone, north of the Tronsen Ridge Member (Fig. 30). This sample has age peaks at ~64 Ma, ~75 Ma, and ~96 Ma, clusters at ~128-147 Ma and ~197 Ma, one grain at ~220 Ma, one at ~284 Ma, and two earliest Cambrian to Proterozoic grains at 540-580 Ma. The MDA is  $75.8 \pm 2.0$  Ma (Fig. 44). Given the evidence for local derivation the MDA is probably significantly older than the actual depositional age.

The ~64-75 Ma zircons have a probable Chelan block signature (Tables 3 and 4). The ~95 Ma grains are most likely derived from plutons in the Wenatchee block and from some plutons in the Chelan block (Table 3), whereas the smaller Early Cretaceous ~128-147 Ma cluster could have various potential sources (Table 4), including the Okanogan Range batholith (Hurlow, 1993), Northwest Cascades System (Brandon et al., 1988), and Methow terrane (Surpless et al., 2014, 2017; Sauer, 2017). The ~147-197 Ma cluster may have multiple sources listed in Table 4, including the Ingalls Ophiolite Complex (Miller, 1985), Nanaimo Group (Mustard, 1994; Matthews et al., 2017), western mélangé belt (Tabor et al., 2002), and the Methow terrane (Surpless et al., 2014; Sauer, 2017). The ~220 Ma grain, has potential sources in the Cascade River Schist-Holden unit, Little Jack unit, and reworked zircons from sedimentary rocks in the Ingalls Complex (Figs. 2, 43 and 44; Table 4). The latter is compatible with field and petrographic evidence for an Ingalls source (Johnson and Miller, 1987; Harper et al., 2003) The few Paleozoic and Proterozoic (~284-580 Ma) grains (n=3) are also compatible with the detrital zircons in

the Lookout Mountain Formation south of the Swauk Formation (Brown and Gehrels, 2007; LaMaskin, 2012; MacDonald et al., 2017) (Fig. 43).

### **Chumstick Formation**

Detrital zircons (n=110) from sample FS253 from a sandstone interbed of the Devil's Gulch Member of the Chumstick Formation in the Beehive Reservoir area (Fig. 30) plot in a single cluster. They peak at ~91.8 Ma, and have a MDA of  $86.9 \pm 2.0$  Ma (Fig. 44).

Late Cretaceous ages are widespread in the Cascades core in the Wenatchee and Chelan blocks, and a ~91 Ma pluton is a presumed source (Table 3). LA-ICP-MS U-Pb dating of zircons from Devil's Gulch conglomerate clasts by LaCasse et al. (2013) indicated ages of  $91.0 \pm 2.3$  Ma,  $90.6 \pm 1.5$  Ma, and  $91.7 \pm 1.8$  Ma, which are consistent with crystallization ages of the Tenpeak pluton and Mount Stuart batholith in the Wenatchee block (Fig. 2). Considering the proximity of the Mount Stuart batholith to the Swauk Formation and that it is cut by the Leavenworth fault, it seems likely that the clasts were derived from this intrusion (Taylor et al., 1988; LaCasse et al., 2003).

## **DISCUSSION**

The main focus of this research is to further understand the widely debated movement history of the Leavenworth fault. Different workers have interpreted the structure as either a dextral strike-slip fault or a reverse-slip fault. In addition, they have proposed contrasting ages of movement on the fault zone, and different hypotheses for the formation and depositional history of the Swauk basin (Taylor et al., 1988; Evans et al., 1989; Evans, 1994; Cheney and Hayman, 2009; Eddy et al., 2016). These interpretations are briefly reviewed before I discuss the implications of my data.

Taylor et al. (1988) argued that alternating pulses of extensional and compressional deformation were the main controls of sedimentation of the Swauk Formation, a common occurrence in strike-slip basins. Evans (1994) suggested uplift along the fault zone due to transpression. Fold orientations, en echelon faults, offset of conglomerate beds, and NE-trending dikes intruding the Swauk Formation are consistent with dextral shear (Evans, 1994). In contrast, Cheney and Hayman (2009) suggested that the Leavenworth fault zone is a post-depositional reverse fault. Most recently, geochronological data of Eddy et al. (2016) combined with paleocurrent data of Taylor et al. (1988) indicate that the Swauk basin accumulated along W- or SW-flowing streams between  $\leq 59.9$  and 51.3 Ma, and along NE-flowing streams between 51.3 and  $>49.9$  Ma. Tuff ages of 49.1 Ma in the lower part of the Chumstick Formation demonstrate that sediment accumulation initiated close in time to the eruption of the lower part of the Teanaway Formation (49.3 Ma) (Eddy et al., 2016), and support previous interpretations that the Chumstick Formation is younger than the Swauk Formation (e.g., Tabor et al., 1984). Eddy et al. (2016) argued that the rapid sediment accumulation rates in the Chumstick Formation are consistent with strike-slip basins, as are distinctive plutonic clasts separated dextrally from their likely sources.

### **Summary and Analysis of Structural Data from the Swauk Formation**

The main strand of the Leavenworth fault in the study area has a NW strike of  $\sim 320^\circ$  (Figs. 2 and 43). The fault zone is approximately 5 km wide in its southernmost segment, where this study was conducted. Overall, poles to beds ( $n=207$ ) in the Swauk Formation indicate a WNW-striking and SSW-dipping maximum of  $119^\circ$ ,  $61^\circ$  SSW  $^\circ$ . Dips of Swauk beds range from  $0^\circ$ - $90^\circ$  to the NNE and SSW, and average  $55^\circ$  SSW. Beds define

a girdle and a fold axis plunging  $4^\circ$  toward  $297^\circ$  (Fig. 23). There is significant scatter in the girdle indicating non-cylindrical folding.

Most of the mapped folds ( $n=15$ ) in the Swauk Formation trend NW to WNW, averaging  $\sim 298^\circ$ , and nearly 70% are counter-clockwise from the main strand of the Leavenworth fault. Of 15 measured folds, six trend between  $0^\circ$ - $10^\circ$  from the fault, two of which trend clockwise ( $330^\circ$  and  $340^\circ$ ) to the fault, and four of which trend counter-clockwise ( $315^\circ$ - $320^\circ$ ) to the main fault. One fold trends between  $11^\circ$ - $20^\circ$  ( $300^\circ$ ), two folds trend between  $21^\circ$ - $30^\circ$  ( $292^\circ$  and  $296^\circ$ ), and six folds trend  $>30^\circ$  ( $249^\circ$ - $290^\circ$ ), 3 of which trend  $31^\circ$ - $44^\circ$  ( $276^\circ$ - $284^\circ$ ) from the fault. In a dextral transpression wrench model, compressional features are oriented  $<30^\circ$  counter-clockwise from the main fault, whereas in a dextral simple shear strike-slip model, they are oriented at  $\sim 45^\circ$ , and in a dextral transtension wrench model, they are oriented at  $>45^\circ$  (Sanderson and Marchini, 1984). The seven folds that trend  $<30^\circ$  counter-clockwise and the three folds that trend  $31^\circ$ - $45^\circ$  counter-clockwise from the main fault segment are compatible with a dextral transpression wrench model (Fig. 45). The folds that trend  $>10^\circ$  from the main fault, are not compatible with a reverse fault, and only 6 folds oriented  $0^\circ$ - $10^\circ$  from the main fault are compatible with a reverse fault. Folds of the Swauk Formation in the study area mapped by Tabor et al. (1982) have a general NW trend, parallel to the main Leavenworth fault.

In the Ruby Creek-Windmill Point and Tip-Top areas of the Swauk Formation, where the most faults were measured, fault strikes were separated into those  $>45^\circ$ ,  $31^\circ$ - $44^\circ$ , and

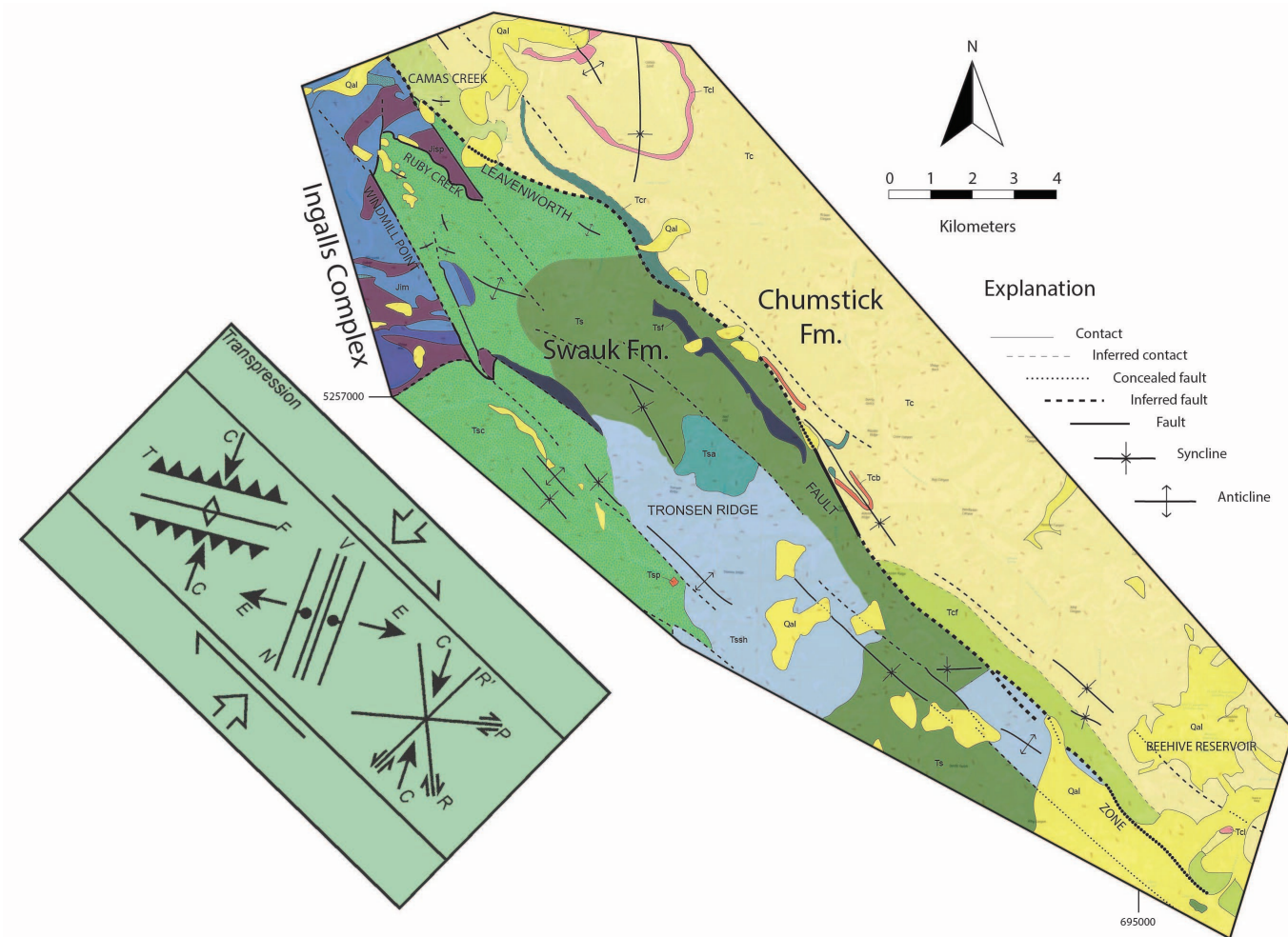


Figure 45. Geologic map of the study area highlighting folds. Diagram depicts secondary structures predicted for transpressional wrench fault systems. Diagram is oriented so that major fault is parallel to the Leavenworth fault zone. C = compression; E = extension; F = folds; N = normal faults; P = P-shears; R = Riedel shears; R' = Riedel prime shears; T = thrust faults; V = veins and dikes. Diagram modified from Sanderson and Marchini (1984).

<30°, clockwise and counter-clockwise to the main strand of the Leavenworth fault. Of 25 NW-striking faults, 19 faults strike <30° to the main Leavenworth fault, 11 of which strike parallel and counter-clockwise to the fault (290°-320°), and 8 of which strike clockwise to the Leavenworth fault (321°-351°). Six of the faults strike 31-44° to the Leavenworth fault, 4 of which are clockwise (333°-003°), and 2 of which are counter-clockwise (281°-305°). Nineteen out of 28 NE-striking faults strike >45° clockwise (005°-039°) to the main Leavenworth fault, and nine faults strike >45° counter-clockwise (054°-082°) to the fault. In a dextral transpression wrench model, normal faults are oriented >60°, and thrust faults are oriented <30° from the main fault. In a dextral simple shear strike-slip model, both normal and thrust faults are oriented at ~45°, and in a dextral transtension wrench model, normal faults are oriented <30°, and thrust faults are oriented >60° from the main fault (Sanderson and Marchini, 1984). Due to a lack of exposure and kinematic indicators, the movement sense of these faults is unknown. If the faults that strike <30° counter-clockwise to the main fault are reverse, then these data could fit dextral transpression. In contrast, if the faults that strike <30° clockwise to the main fault are normal, then these data could fit dextral transtension (Fig. 46).

Of 22 NW-striking faults with measurable rakes in the Ruby Creek-Windmill Point and Tip-Top areas, 17 faults have rakes of >45° suggesting dip slip, and only 5 faults, which are not considered further, have rakes of <30° suggesting strike-slip movement. Nine of the 17 rakes that are >45° are on fault planes that strike clockwise to the Leavenworth fault and could be normal faults in dextral shear, and 8 are on fault planes that strike counter-clockwise to the Leavenworth fault and could be reverse faults in



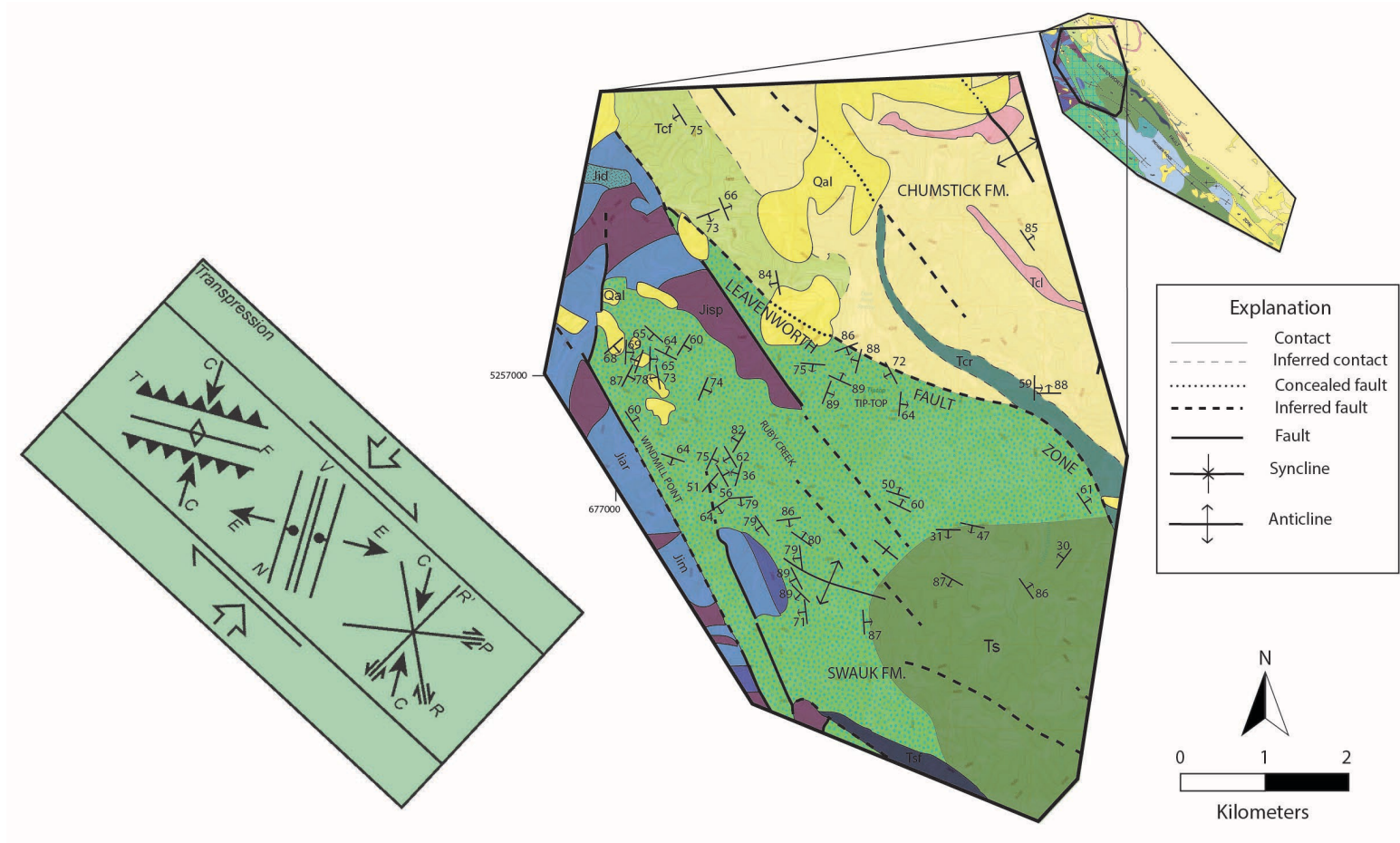


Figure 46. Geologic map of the Ruby Creek-Windmill Point and Tip-Top areas highlighting faults. Diagram depicts secondary structures predicted for transpressional wrench fault systems. Diagram is oriented so that the major fault is parallel to the Leavenworth fault zone. C = compression; E = extension; F = folds; N = normal faults; P = P-shears; R = Riedel shears; R' = Riedel prime shears; T = thrust faults; V = veins and dikes. Modified from Sanderson and Marchini (1984).

dextral shear. Of 24 NE-striking faults with measurable rakes, 9 faults have rakes of  $<30^\circ$ , suggesting strike-slip movement, and are on fault planes that strike clockwise to the Leavenworth fault and could be R'-shears. Thirteen of the 24 faults have rakes of  $>45^\circ$  suggesting dip slip, all of which are on fault planes that strike clockwise to the Leavenworth fault and could be normal faults in dextral shear. The remaining 2 faults have rakes between  $31-44^\circ$ , and are on fault planes that strike clockwise to the Leavenworth fault. These faults presumably have significant components of both strike-slip and dip-slip.

Gundersen's (2017) structural analysis of the eastern Swauk Formation, which she called domain 7, extends from  $\sim 6$  to  $\sim 20$  km southwest of my study area and does not include the Leavenworth fault zone. Her data were in large part based on the map of Tabor et al. (1982), and she noted that from south to north, folds mapped by Tabor et al. (1982) trend east-west and rotate to northwest-southeast approximately 12 km southwest of the Leavenworth fault, and continue this trend, as the fault zone is approached. Gundersen (2017) inferred that these folds, which as far as  $\sim 18$  km SW from the Leavenworth fault, were rotated clockwise by dextral movement on the fault. Gundersen's (2017) interpretation of dextral shear generally agrees with my interpretation of dextral transpression.

Faults mapped by Tabor et al. (1982) strike  $010^\circ-015^\circ$  and also fit a pure dextral strike-slip model if they are normal faults. Normal faults striking  $50-55^\circ$  clockwise from the Leavenworth fault are compatible with dextral transpression. In contrast, if the system is transtensional, these faults may correspond to left-lateral R' shears (Fig. 46). It is

plausible that these faults predate movement on the Leavenworth fault zone and are outside of the wrenching zone (Gundersen, 2017). This is in partial agreement with my data, in which faults strike mostly  $>45^\circ$  and  $<30^\circ$  from the Leavenworth fault, fitting a dextral transpression model or a dextral transtension model, depending on whether the movement along the faults is normal or reverse (Fig. 47).

### **Summary and Analysis of Structural Data of the Teanaway Dikes**

Teanaway dikes rotate from NW-striking in the Ruby Creek-Windmill Point area, to NE-striking in the Tip-Top area, as the main strand of the Leavenworth fault is approached. This change implies that there is a rotation in the strain field related to the fault, or clockwise vertical axis rotation due to the fault.

Dikes in the SW part of the Ruby Creek-Windmill Point area strike perpendicular to the general strike of beds and trend of folds, whereas in the NE part of the Ruby Creek-Windmill Point area, dikes strike within  $\sim 20^\circ$  of beds (Fig. 13). As the fault is approached, beds and dikes strike perpendicular to each other, suggesting a rotation in dike orientation, rather than in bedding.

Of the 19 measured dikes, seven dikes strike  $>45^\circ$  clockwise ( $006^\circ$ - $045^\circ$ ) to the main strand of the Leavenworth fault, and one dike strikes  $>45^\circ$  counter-clockwise ( $073^\circ$ ) from the Leavenworth fault. Five dikes strike  $22$ - $40^\circ$  to the fault, four of which strike clockwise ( $342^\circ$ - $000^\circ$ ) to the fault and one of which strikes counter-clockwise ( $282^\circ$ ) to the fault. Six dikes strike  $<30^\circ$  to the fault, five of which strike clockwise ( $329^\circ$ - $346^\circ$ ) and one of which strikes counter-clockwise ( $316^\circ$ ). In summary, most dikes strike  $>45^\circ$  clockwise or  $<30^\circ$  clockwise to the fault. This direction of extension could fit with the

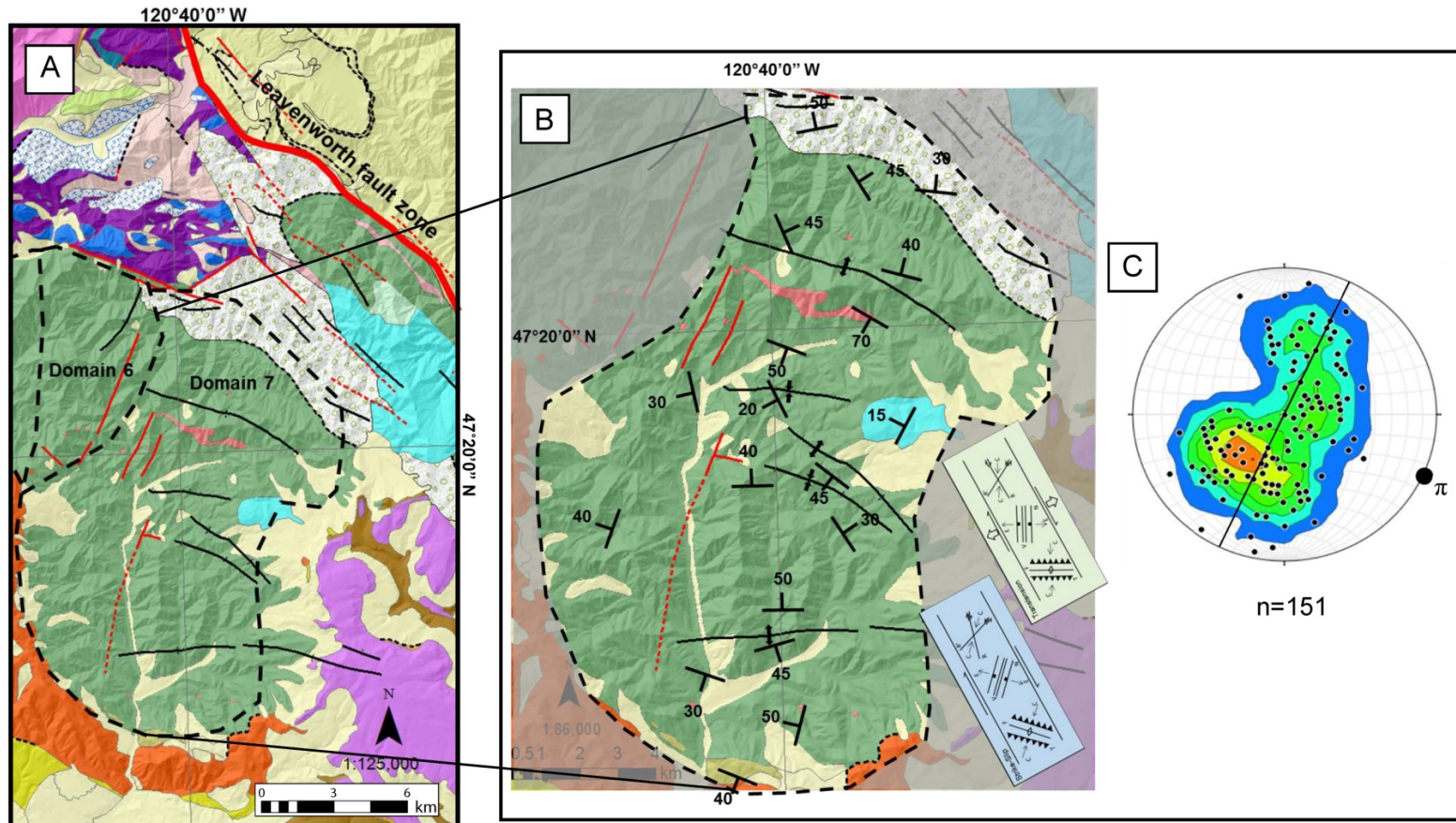


Figure 47. A) Geologic map of Gundersen's (2017) Domain 7 with respect to the study area and the Leavenworth fault zone. B) Geologic map highlighting the structures and bedding attitudes of Domain 7. Black lines are folds and red lines are faults. Synoptic diagrams modified from Sanderson and Marchini (1984) show secondary structures predicted for right-lateral strike-slip faults, which are oriented parallel to the Leavenworth fault zone (see caption for Fig. 46 for details). C) Stereographic projection showing poles to bedding with Kamb contouring (contour interval= 2 sigma) and best fit great circle. Pi-axis=115°, 00°. Figure modified from Gundersen (2017).

transpression model for the dikes that strike  $>45^\circ$ , or the transtension model for the eight clockwise dikes that strike  $<30^\circ$  to the Leavenworth fault. A transtension model is more compatible with diking, but the potential rotation of dikes in the fault zone hampers interpretation.

Mendoza (2008) concluded that more than 85% of Teanaway dikes intruding the eastern part of Swauk Formation strike NE, with a mean strike of  $040^\circ$ NE and a dip of  $78^\circ$ SE. Dike strikes and steep dips indicate sub-horizontal extension towards  $N50^\circ$ W- $S50^\circ$ E, which is sub-parallel to slightly counter-clockwise of the regional strike. These data are broadly similar to those of Doran (2008) from the western and central parts of the Swauk basin, where the mean dike strike is  $203^\circ$  and dip is  $67^\circ$  NW. Dikes show a systematic rotation of  $13^\circ$  from west to east. Mendoza's (2008) and Doran's (2008) data are in agreement with the NE-striking dikes in my study, fitting a transtension model.

### **Summary and Analysis of Structural Data from the Chumstick Formation**

The Chumstick Formation was studied in the Tip-Top, Mission Ridge, and Beehive Reservoir areas (Plate 1). In the Tip-Top and Beehive Reservoir areas, beds strike NW and dip predominantly NE (Figs. 7 and 25). On Mission Ridge, beds to the north strike NW and show a predominant SW dip, and over a distance of  $\sim 5.6$  km as the fault is approached, folds are indicated by the rotation of beds to WNW-striking (Fig. 21). These beds are oriented oblique to the main strand of the Leavenworth fault.

Overall, beds in the Chumstick Formation strike NW and dip mostly to the NE. There is significantly less folding and rotation of strikes in the Chumstick Formation compared to the Swauk Formation. Most folds are within 1 km of the main strand of the

Leavenworth fault. Poles to beds in the Chumstick Formation form a bimodal distribution and define a weak girdle and a fold axis plunging  $13^\circ$  towards  $306^\circ$  (Fig. 29). Folds ( $n=6$ ) of  $\sim 200$  m wavelength trend  $\sim 270^\circ$ - $360^\circ$ ; almost all ( $n=5$ ) of these folds trend  $\sim 270^\circ$ - $330^\circ$ , and the average is  $\sim 312^\circ$ . There are equal numbers of folds trending counter-clockwise ( $270^\circ$ - $312^\circ$ ) and clockwise ( $325^\circ$ - $360^\circ$ ) to the main segment of the Leavenworth fault. These observations are in agreement with Tabor et al. (1982), who mapped NW-trending folds that trend clockwise and counter-clockwise to the main strand of the Leavenworth fault. The few fault planes ( $n=9$ ) measured in the Tip-Top area of the Chumstick Formation strike mainly NW and dip steeply to the NE and SW. Two faults strike NE, at  $>45^\circ$  clockwise ( $52^\circ$  and  $65^\circ$ ) from the main strand of the Leavenworth fault. Five of the NW-striking faults are clockwise ( $322^\circ$ - $350^\circ$ ) from the main fault, and 2 faults strike WNW ( $280^\circ$ - $296^\circ$ ), counter-clockwise from the main fault. NW-and NE-striking faults average  $326^\circ$  and  $076^\circ$ , and dips average  $59^\circ$  NE and  $77^\circ$  SE, respectively. In addition, rakes are mostly concentrated in the NW quadrant, are moderate to high, and average  $61^\circ$ . Five faults strike  $<30^\circ$  clockwise from the main Leavenworth fault, compatible with a transpressional model if they were reverse faults, or a transtensional model if they were normal faults, whereas rakes suggest oblique slip with a component of dip slip (Fig. 26).

In the Tip-Top area, of 7 NW-striking fault planes, 5 have rakes of  $>45^\circ$ ; only 2 have rakes of  $<45^\circ$ , and will not be considered further. Four of the 5 rakes that are  $>45^\circ$ , are on fault planes that strike clockwise to the Leavenworth fault and could be normal faults, and 1 rake is on a fault plane that strikes counter-clockwise to the Leavenworth fault and

could be a reverse fault. Two NE-striking fault planes have rakes of  $<30^\circ$ , and both are on fault planes that strike  $>45^\circ$  clockwise to the Leavenworth fault and are most likely R' shears if related to the LF.

In the Beehive Reservoir area, fault strikes average  $071^\circ$  and fault displacements measure  $<3$  m. Fault planes without rakes strike NE and dip mostly to the NW, whereas fault planes with rakes show varying NW and SE dips. Of 5 NW-striking faults with measurable rakes, 4 have rakes of  $>45^\circ$ , 3 of which are on fault planes that strike counter-clockwise to the Leavenworth fault and could be reverse faults, and 1 of which is on a fault plane that strikes clockwise to the Leavenworth fault and could be a normal fault. The 7 NE-striking fault planes with measurable rakes, strike  $>60^\circ$  to the Leavenworth fault and are not compatible with a transpression or a transtension model. Overall, the rakes average  $56^\circ$  (Fig. 28).

### **Summary and Analysis of Structural Data from the Swauk and Chumstick Formations**

In summary, fold trends in the Swauk and Chumstick formations are relatively consistent, trending mostly WNW to NW, and commonly  $<30^\circ$  counter-clockwise to the main strand of the Leavenworth fault. Thus, these orientations are most compatible with a dextral transpressional wrench model. Folds are tighter in the Swauk Formation and bed strikes have a greater range than those in the Chumstick Formation, suggesting that there is more folding of the Swauk rocks, and that some folding near the Leavenworth fault predates folding of the Chumstick Formation.

Faults in the two formations have a similar strike and are oriented  $>45^\circ$  or  $<30^\circ$



clockwise and counter-clockwise to the main strand of the Leavenworth fault. In a transpression model, normal faults are oriented  $>45^\circ$  clockwise to the main fault, and reverse faults are oriented  $<30^\circ$  counter-clockwise to the main fault, whereas in a transtensional model, normal faults are oriented  $<30^\circ$  clockwise to the main fault, and reverse faults are oriented  $>45^\circ$  counter-clockwise to the main fault. Measured rakes for the small-scale faults suggest oblique slip with a higher component of dip-slip. However, because the sense of slip on the small faults is unknown, it is difficult to evaluate which model they fit best.

### **Summary and Analysis of Petrography of the Swauk and Chumstick Formations**

The clastic samples collected in the Swauk and Chumstick formations are mostly fine-to coarse-grained sandstones. Most of them classify as lithic arkoses and feldspathic litharenites, and the modal data analyzed in this study plot mostly within the transitional continental, dissected arc, mixed, and quartzose recycled fields on a QFL diagram.

All Swauk samples consist dominantly of quartz, plagioclase, and micas. Approximate mineral mode averages are as follows: 49% quartz, 24% feldspars, and 5% biotite. Rock fragments vary by sample and range as follows: 1-10% metamorphic, 0-7% mafic volcanic, 0-10% felsic volcanic, and 0-9% sedimentary (mostly chert) rock.

Metamorphic clasts in the Swauk sandstones include micaceous quartzite, chlorite-muscovite schist, graphitic biotite phyllite, graphitic schist, biotite schist, serpentinite, and quartz-muscovite-biotite schist. Mafic and felsic volcanic fragments, which are too fine-grained to further classify using a petrographic microscope, chert, and small quantities of diabase are also present.

The two samples from the Chumstick Formation were collected from near the northern and southern ends of the Devil's Gulch Member. Approximate average mineral modes are: 57% quartz, 22% plagioclase, and 8% biotite. Sample FS13 from the northern Devil's Gulch Member is a siltstone, whereas sample FS253 (MDA =  $86.9 \pm 2.0$  Ma) from the southern Devil's Gulch Member in the Beehive Reservoir area is a conglomerate. The conglomerate contains dominantly tonalite clasts and small amounts of chert, felsic and mafic volcanic fragments, and phyllite.

Swauk sandstone samples in this study plot in the transitional continental, dissected arc, mixed, and quartzose recycled orogenic fields. According to Dickinson and Suzcek (1979), sandstones in the transitional continental block provenance are derived from fault-bounded basement blocks and are quartz rich due to multiple episodes of recycling and extensive transport. According to Maynard et al. (1982), sandstones derived from dissected arc provenances contain mixed plutonic and volcanic fragments, lesser amounts of metamorphic and sedimentary rock fragments, and abundant feldspars.

Taylor et al.'s (1988) sandstones of the conglomerate facies of Tronsen Creek, equivalent to my conglomerate facies (Plate 1), are medium-grained and arkosic, consisting predominantly of monocrystalline quartz, plagioclase, and lithic fragments. Tabor et al. (1987) reported QFL percentages of 38%, 43%, and 19%, respectively, whereas my QFL percentages range between 40-76%, 16-34%, and 8-28%, indicating more quartz and less feldspar in the samples I analyzed from the conglomerate facies (Table 5). Tabor et al. (1987) also analyzed sandstones from the shale facies of Tronsen Ridge, which are fine-grained and arkosic, predominately consisting of monocrystalline

Table 5. QFL percentages based on point counts for sandstone samples in the Swauk and Chumstick formations.

	<b>Unit</b>	<b>Samples from this study</b>	<b>Q</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>L</b>
<b>Swauk</b>	Conglomerate facies	FS280	54	27	19
	Micaceous feldspathic/ lithofeldspathic sandstone	FS151	76	16	8
	Micaceous feldspathic/ lithofeldspathic sandstone	FS149	60	18	22
	Micaceous feldspathic/ lithofeldspathic sandstone	FS147	66	24	12
	Shale facies of Tronsen Ridge	FS140	46	29	25
	Shale facies of Tronsen Ridge	FS145	51	34	15
	Shale facies of Tronsen Ridge	FS224	40	31	28
	Shale facies of Tronsen Ridge	FS224A	50	29	21
<b>Chumstick</b>	Conglomerate of Devil's Gulch	FS13	91	9	0
	Conglomerate of Devil's Gulch	FS253	41	43	16
<b>Samples Tabor et al. (1987)</b>					
<b>Swauk</b>	Conglomerate of Tronsen Creek	N/A	38	43	19
	Shale facies of Tronsen Ridge	N/A	34	51	15
	Breccia faces of Devil's Gulch	N/A	30	69	1
<b>Samples of Gundersen (2017)</b>					
<b>Swauk</b>	Conglomerate facies	MG-047	25	48	27

Note: Q-F-Lt percentages were normalized to equal 100%. Method of Folk (1974) was used in this study and the Gazzi-Dickinson method (Ingersoll et al., 1984) was used in Taylor et al.'s (1988) and Gundersen's (2017) study.

quartz and plagioclase. Their QFL percentages for these sandstones are 34%, 51%, and 15%, respectively, whereas my QFL percentages for the same sandstones range between 40-51%, 29-34%, and 15-28%, resulting in a greater amount of quartz and less feldspar than determined by Tabor et al. (1987) (Table 5).

Sandstone samples analyzed by Gundersen (2017) from across the Swauk basin (Fig. 48) consist of quartz, potassium feldspar, plagioclase, mica, and rock fragments. The most abundant lithic clasts are metamorphic, and include quartz- and mica-rich phyllite, schist, and gneiss. Other lithic fragments include siltstone, sandstone, chert, and volcanic rock. The sandstones plot predominately as arkoses and lithic arkoses. The QFL percentages for Gundersen's (2017) sample MG-047 (Fig. 47; Table 5), from the conglomerate facies of the Swauk Formation ~5 km west of the study area, are 25%, 48%, and 27%, respectively (Table 5). Gundersen (2017) documents an increase in modal percentages of biotite and plagioclase from west to east across the basin, in which biotite has percentages of up to 15%. Gundersen's (2017) data are consistent with studies by Frizzell (1979) and Taylor et al. (1988), where sandstones plot within the dissected arc and continental-block provenance fields. In contrast, my sandstones mostly plot in the transitional continental, dissected arc, mixed, and quartzose recycled orogenic fields, and the biotite modal percentages only reach 8%, plagioclase percentages reach 32%, and quartz percentages reach 68% (Appendix B). Some of the sandstones analyzed in this study were collected from strata that may be stratigraphically higher than sandstones analyzed by Tabor et al. (1987) and Gundersen (2017). This change in mineral modes, from less quartz-rich sandstones in the lower Swauk Formation to more quartz-rich

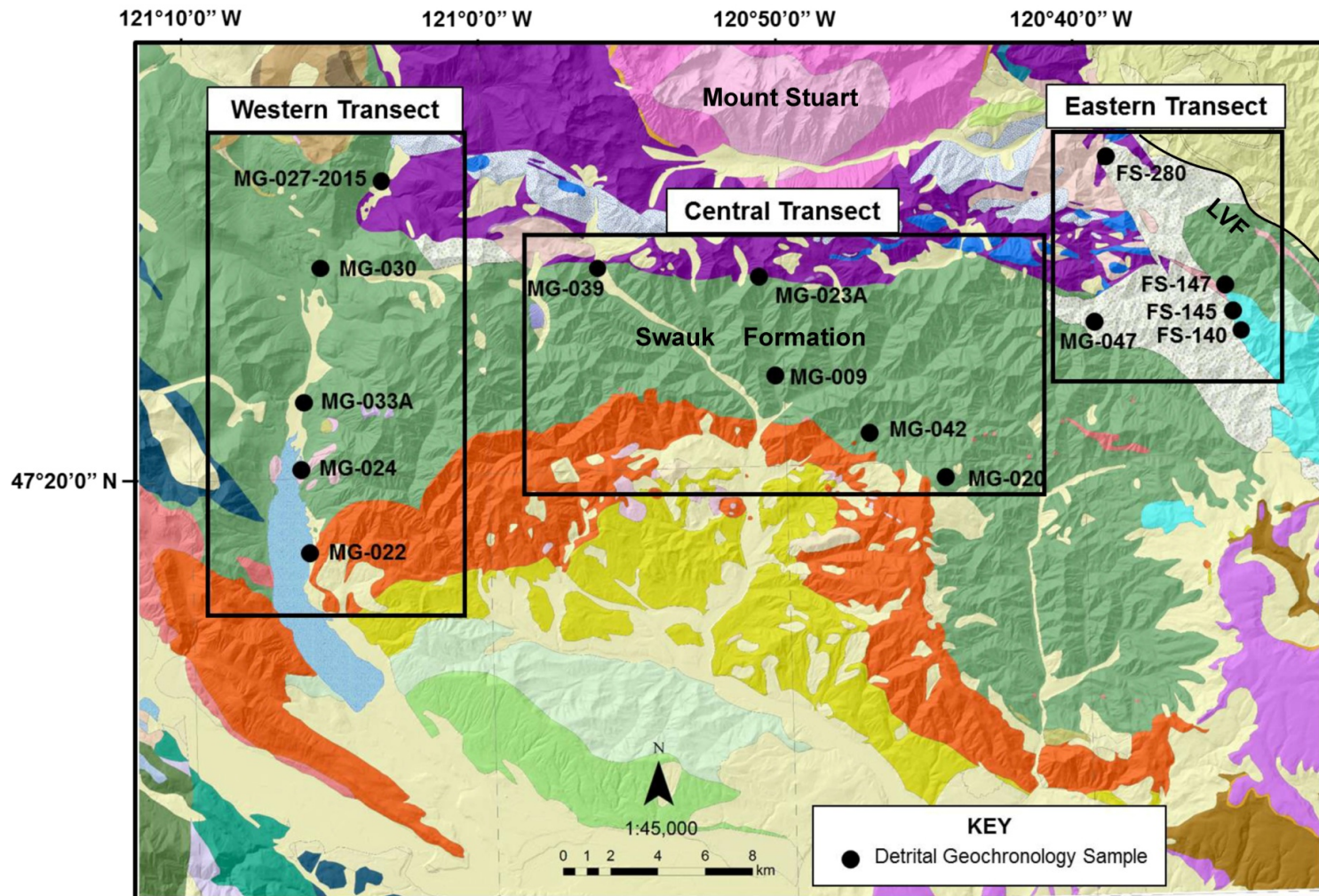


Figure 48. Geologic map showing detrital zircon sample locations in western, central, and eastern transects of Gundersen (2017) and this study. Gundersen's (2017) samples are labeled MG and this study's samples are labeled FS. LVF – Leavenworth fault zone. Figure modified from Gundersen (2017).

sandstones in the upper Swauk Formation, may suggest a change of source.

Tabor et al.'s (1987) sample from the breccia facies of Devil's Gulch (Tsd), equivalent to my conglomerate (Tcf) of the Chumstick Formation (Plate 1), has QFL modal percentages of 30%, 69%, and 1%, respectively, whereas my modal percentages are 41%, 43%, and 16% (Table 5). Tabor et al.'s (1987) and my data are different, however, the modes for feldspars are both the highest, followed by quartz, and lithics. These differences may reflect variations in grain size in the local source for these sediments, which were likely only transported a short distance (Cashman and Whetten, 1974).

### **Geochronology and Provenance of Units**

The detrital mineralogy analysis of the Swauk and Chumstick Formation samples suggests that sediment was derived from plutonic and metamorphic sources (Fraser, 1985; Taylor et al., 1988). In addition, the geochronological data from this study coupled with Eddy et al.'s (2016) data, strongly imply that the Swauk Formation detritus in this study has a local provenance, and that sediment was transported by paleocurrents draining into the basins from the north and northeast between  $\leq 59.9$  and  $\sim 51.3$  Ma, and from the southwest between  $\sim 51.3$  and 49.9 Ma (Frizzell, 1979; Tabor et al., 1984; Fraser, 1985; Taylor et al., 1988; Evans, 1994; Eddy et al., 2016).

Potential sources north and northeast of the Swauk Formation are 96-86 Ma and 96-65 Ma plutons of the Wenatchee and Chelan blocks of the Cascades crystalline core, respectively (Fig. 2; Table 3) (Tabor et al., 1989; Miller et al., 2009a). These plutons intrude host rocks of the Early Cretaceous Chiwaukum Schist of the Nason terrane,

Jurassic Ingalls Ophiolite, Cretaceous Swakane Biotite Gneiss, Paleozoic to Jurassic Napeequa unit, and the Triassic and Late Cretaceous Cascade River Schist-Holden unit (Miller, 1985; Tabor et al., 1989, 2003; Miller et al., 1994, 2009a; Gordon et al., 2017), which are also potential sources for detritus (Figs. 2 and 43; Table 4). Other potential sources farther to the north include the 120-110 Ma Okanogan Range batholith (Hurlow, 1993), and the Methow terrane (DeGraaff-Surpless et al., 2003; Surpless et al., 2014; Gordon et al., 2017; Sauer et al., 2017). Likely sources of west-and southwest-derived detritus include the Nanaimo Group (Mustard, 1994), western mélangé belt, and NW Cascades system (Fig. 43).

Sample FS280 (MDA of  $67.2 \pm 1.9$  Ma) from the Ruby Creek-Windmill Point area (Figs. 30 and 44) consists primarily of detrital zircons that may be derived from a combination of the Wenatchee and Chelan blocks, in particular alluvial fan deposits from the Ingalls ophiolite complex. These deposits likely reflect early motion on the Leavenworth fault (Johnson and Miller, 1987) and indicate a local southwest source.

Sample FS147 (MDA of  $75.8 \pm 2.0$  Ma) from north of the Tronsen Ridge Member (Figs. 30 and 44) consists of detrital zircons from a combination of sources, such as the Wenatchee and Chelan blocks, sources to the north including the Methow terrane and Okanogan Range batholith, to the west including the Nanaimo Group, and to the southwest including the Lookout Mountain Formation.

Sample FS140 (MDA of  $51.6 \pm 1.3$  Ma) from the lower Tronsen Ridge Member (Figs. 30 and 44) consists primarily of  $\sim 70$ - $90$  Ma detrital zircons that may have been derived from the Chelan and Wenatchee blocks. This sample has a  $\sim 50$  Ma peak, which



probably reflects a Silver Pass tuff source. These sources and the MDA are in accordance with east and southwest-directed paleocurrents.

Sample FS145 (MDA of  $50.46 \pm 0.17$  Ma) (M. Eddy, written communication) from the upper Tronsen Ridge Member (Figs. 30 and 44) consists of detrital zircons that were perhaps derived from a combination of sources, including: the  $\sim 51.3$  Ma Silver Pass tuff; the Chelan and Wenatchee blocks to the north and northeast, the Nanaimo Group to the west, and the western *mélange* belt to the southwest. The changes inferred in paleoflow from the SW at  $\sim 51.3$ - 49.9 Ma, and the MDA of  $50.46 \pm 0.17$  Ma, indicate that the most probable source is the Nanaimo Group or the western *mélange* belt.

Detrital zircon geochronology by Gundersen (2017) in the Swauk Formation and the geochronology conducted in this study show a similar age trend (Fig. 49). Relative probability plots of detrital zircon ages in the Swauk Formation display an increase in older grains moving up section. The dominant age peaks in the lower Swauk Formation cluster around  $\sim 80$ -65 Ma, whereas farther up section, the  $\sim 70$ -60 Ma peaks decrease and the dominant peaks are  $\sim 100$ -90 Ma. This pattern could be due to the gradual exhumation of the nearby Mount Stuart batholith and host rocks of the Wenatchee block at ca. 55 Ma, thus adding to the Swauk detritus from the Chelan block.

Detrital zircons for sample FS253 (MDA of  $86.9 \pm 2.0$  Ma), from the sandstone of the Devil's Gulch Member of the Chumstick Formation in the Beehive Reservoir area, have a similar age to that of Mount Stuart batholith. The large tonalitic clasts in the conglomerate, which coupled with the MDA, suggest that the main source of the clasts in the Devil's Gulch Member is the Mount Stuart batholith. The size of these clasts implies

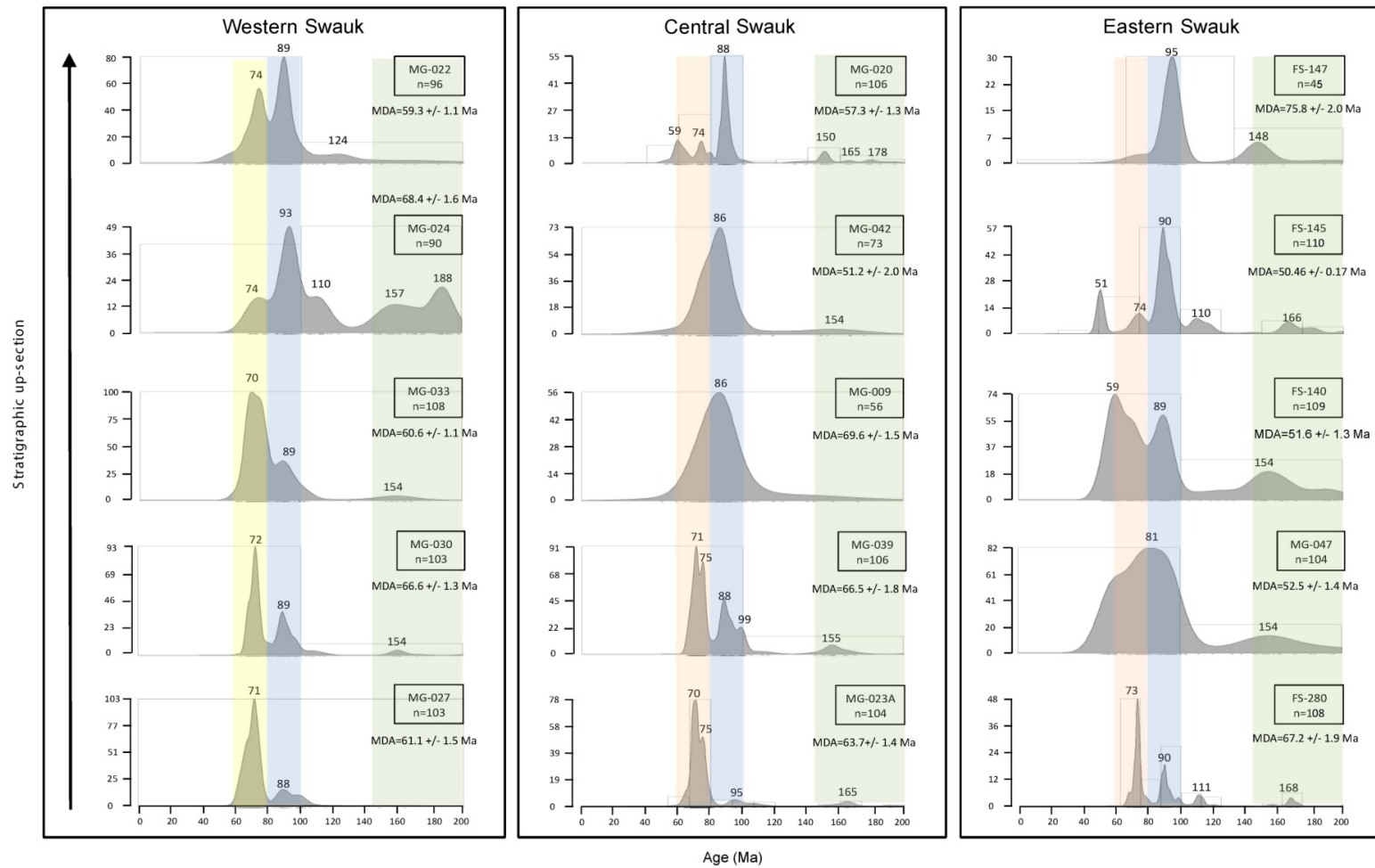


Figure 49. Kernel density plots of detrital zircon ages from 0-200 Ma in the western, central, and eastern transects through the Swauk Formation. Combined data from Gundersen (2017) and this study. Figure modified from Gundersen (2017).

that they did not travel far, and their location 20-30 km to the SE of the Mount Stuart batholith (Fig. 2), suggests dextral offset of this magnitude along the Leavenworth fault.

## CONCLUSIONS

The fold ( $\pi$ ) axes defined by all beds in the Swauk Formation and Chumstick Formation are  $297^\circ$ ,  $4^\circ$  and  $306^\circ$ ,  $13^\circ$ , respectively, which are orientations expected for dextral transpression related to the LFZ. Smaller folds are somewhat variable in orientation, which for the Swauk Formation probably reflects the earlier folding inferred to result from the collision of Siletzia.

Approximately 40% of the folds in the Swauk and Chumstick formations trend  $<30^\circ$  counter-clockwise from the main strand of the Leavenworth fault, and another 22% trend  $31-44^\circ$  counter-clockwise from the fault, compatible with dextral transpression. Nineteen percent of the folds trend  $<30^\circ$  clockwise from the main strand of the Leavenworth fault, and another 19% of the folds trend  $>45^\circ$  clockwise from the fault. These orientations are not compatible with a dextral wrench model.

Line-length balancing of folded beds, assuming flexural slip, yields  $\sim 0.6-1.1$  km of shortening in the Ruby Creek-Windmill Point area and  $\sim 1.7-2.2$  km of shortening in the Tronsen Ridge area. Folds in the Swauk Formation are tighter and more common than in the Chumstick Formation and in the Teanaway Formation, which unconformably overlies the Swauk Formation. Thus, early folding of the Swauk Formation occurred between the youngest MDA of a Swauk sandstone at  $50.46 \pm 1.7$  and the oldest tuff date in the lower part of the Chumstick Formation at  $49.147 \pm 0.041$  Ma. Movement on an early strand of the Leavenworth fault may have been responsible for the alluvial fan deposits containing

abundant clasts from the Ingalls Ophiolite in the Swauk Formation in the northern Ruby Creek area.

The time constraints of folding in the Swauk Formation also give insight into the timing of the collision of the Siletzia oceanic plateau with the Pacific Northwest margin. The accretion of Siletzia generated a shift in tectonics to transtension and right-lateral, strike-slip on the Leavenworth and the Straight Creek faults. The switch to transtension facilitated the intrusion of the Teanaway dikes at 49.3 Ma, and the rapid rates of subsidence and deposition of the Chumstick Formation in what has been interpreted as a strike-slip basin. Subsequent transpression on the Leavenworth fault led to further folding of the Swauk Formation and Chumstick Formation.

Faults in the Swauk and Chumstick formations strike  $>45^\circ$  clockwise, or  $<30^\circ$  counter-clockwise, from the main strand of the Leavenworth fault. The slip along these faults is unknown and thus, it is difficult to evaluate them in a kinematic model. However, slickenside striations on fault planes range from shallow to steep, and most slickensides in the study area rake  $>45^\circ$ . Assuming normal slip on the faults that are  $>45^\circ$  clockwise to the Leavenworth fault, and have rakes of  $>45^\circ$ , then this orientation fits dextral transpression. Teanaway dikes rotate from NW- to NE-striking as the main Leavenworth fault is approached, implying that there is a rotation in the strain field, most likely related to the fault.

Petrographic studies and detrital zircon geochronology suggest that sediment in the Swauk Formation is locally derived from sources to the north, northwest, northeast, and southwest, such as the 96-86 Ma and 96-45 Ma plutons of the Wenatchee and Chelan

blocks, respectively, the western mélangé belt, the Northwest Cascades system, and the Nanaimo Group. Detrital zircon MDAs in the Swauk Formation range from  $67.2 \pm 1.9$  to  $50.46 \pm 0.17$  Ma, and support interpretations that Swauk deposition ended before deposition of the Chumstick Formation at  $\sim 49.147 \pm 0.041$  Ma.

The tonalitic composition of the large clasts in the breccia facies of the Devil's Gulch of the Chumstick Formation, coupled with the MDA of  $\sim 86.9 \pm 2.0$  Ma and an age peak of 91.8 Ma, suggest that these clasts were likely derived from the Mount Stuart batholith, and support evidence for 20-30 km of dextral displacement along the Leavenworth fault. Collectively, the data presented in this study indicate that folding near the Leavenworth fault zone better fits a dextral transpressional wrench model than a reverse fault model.

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## APPENDICES

### Appendix A: Geochronology Sample UTM Locations

Table A. 1: UTM locations of dated samples taken from the Swauk and Chumstick formations. UTM's are in zone 10, NAD83.

<b>Sample</b>	<b>Area</b>	<b>UTM</b>	<b>Elevation (ft)</b>
FS147	upper Tronsen Ridge	0682311, 5252088	4486
FS145	upper Tronsen Ridge	0682523, 5251113	3985
FS140	lower Tronsen Ridge	0682827, 5250378	3789
FS280	Ruby Creek-Windmill Point	0676993, 5257382	2420
FS253	Beehive Reservoir	0696865, 5241401	4510

## Appendix B: Sample point counting data

Table B. 1: Detailed mineral percentage modes based on point counts for all samples in the Swauk and Chumstick formations. Three hundred grains were counted and normalized to 100%.

	Sample FS	Quartz (%)	Feldspar (%)	Biotite (%)	Muscovite (%)	Sedimentary-Chert (%)	Metamorphic (%)	Mafic Volcanic (%)	Felsic Volcanic (%)	Miscellaneous/Unidentified/Cement (%)	Total (%)
<b>Swauk</b>	280	49	25	4	0	4	6	4	3	5	100
	151	68	14	7	0	0	1	7	0	3	100
	149	52	16	7	0	9	10	0	0	6	100
	147	57	22	4	1	1	8	2	2	3	100
	140	40	25	8	0	5	5	5	7	5	100
	145	47	32	3	0	3	5	2	4	4	100
	224	36	28	5	0	6	3	6	10	6	100
	224A	42	24	4	0	5	2	6	5	12	100
<b>Chumstick</b>	13	80	8	6	6	0	0	0	0	0	100
	253	34	35	10	1	5	4	1	3	7	100