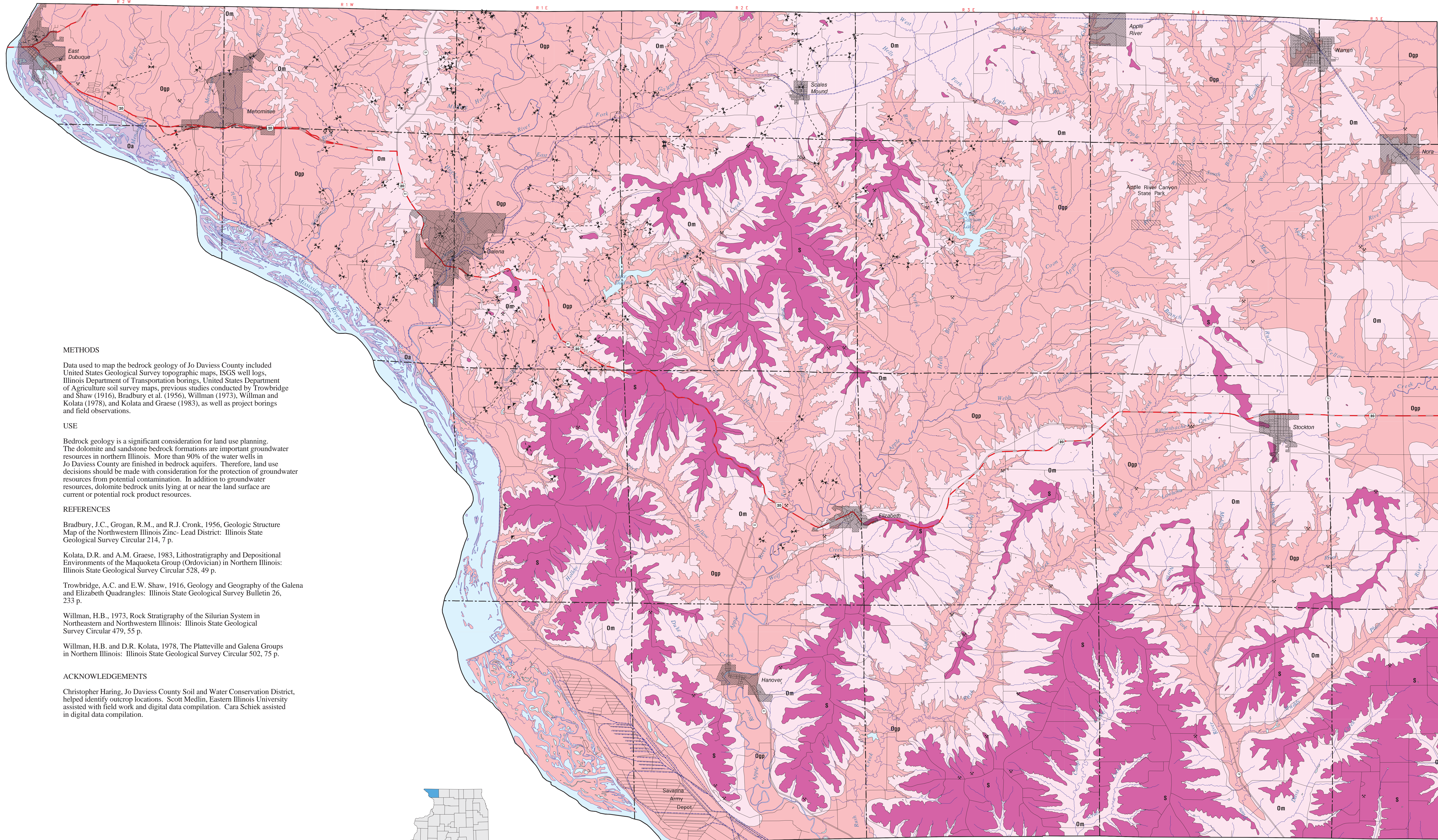


BEDROCK GEOLOGY MAP, JO DAVIESS COUNTY, ILLINOIS

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METHODS

Data used to map the bedrock geology of Jo Daviess County included United States Geological Survey topographic maps, ISGS well logs, Illinois Department of Transportation borings, United States Department of Agriculture soil survey maps, previous studies conducted by Trowbridge and Shaw (1916), Bradbury et al. (1956), Willman (1973), Willman and Kolata (1978), and Kolata and Graese (1983), as well as project borings and field observations.

USE

Bedrock geology is a significant consideration for land use planning. The dolomite and sandstone bedrock formations are important groundwater resources in northern Illinois. More than 90% of the water wells in Jo Daviess County are finished in bedrock aquifers. Therefore, land use decisions should be made with consideration for the protection of groundwater resources from potential contamination. In addition to groundwater resources, dolomite bedrock units lying at or near the land surface are current or potential rock product resources.

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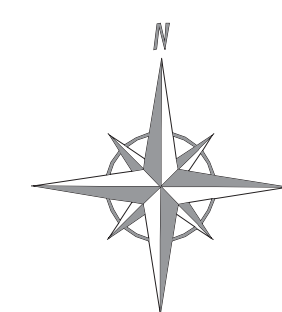
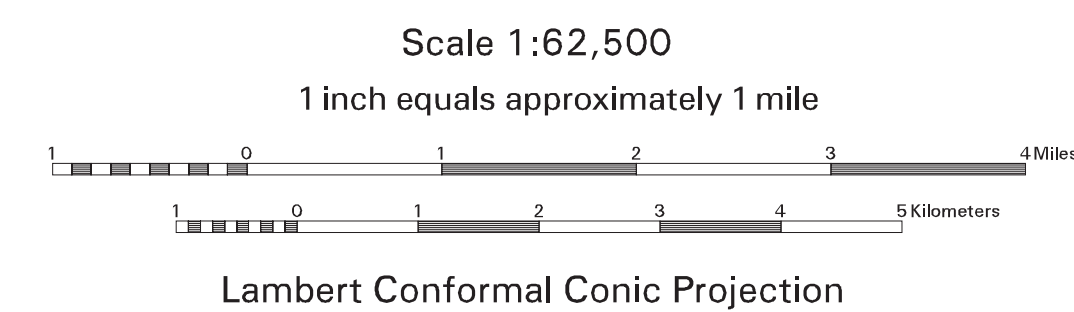
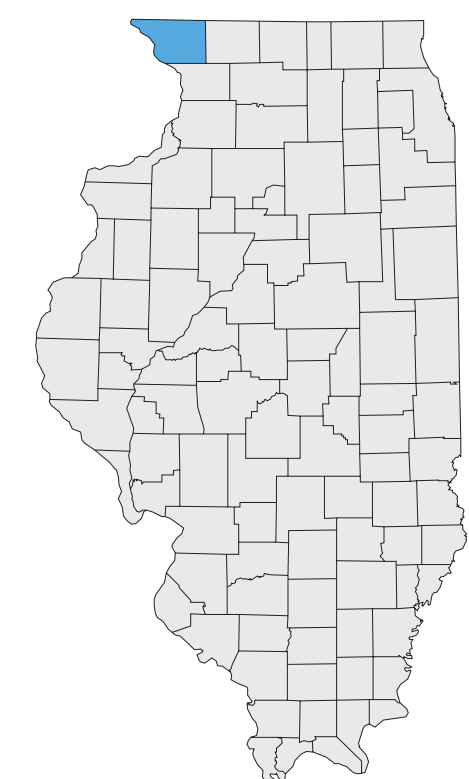
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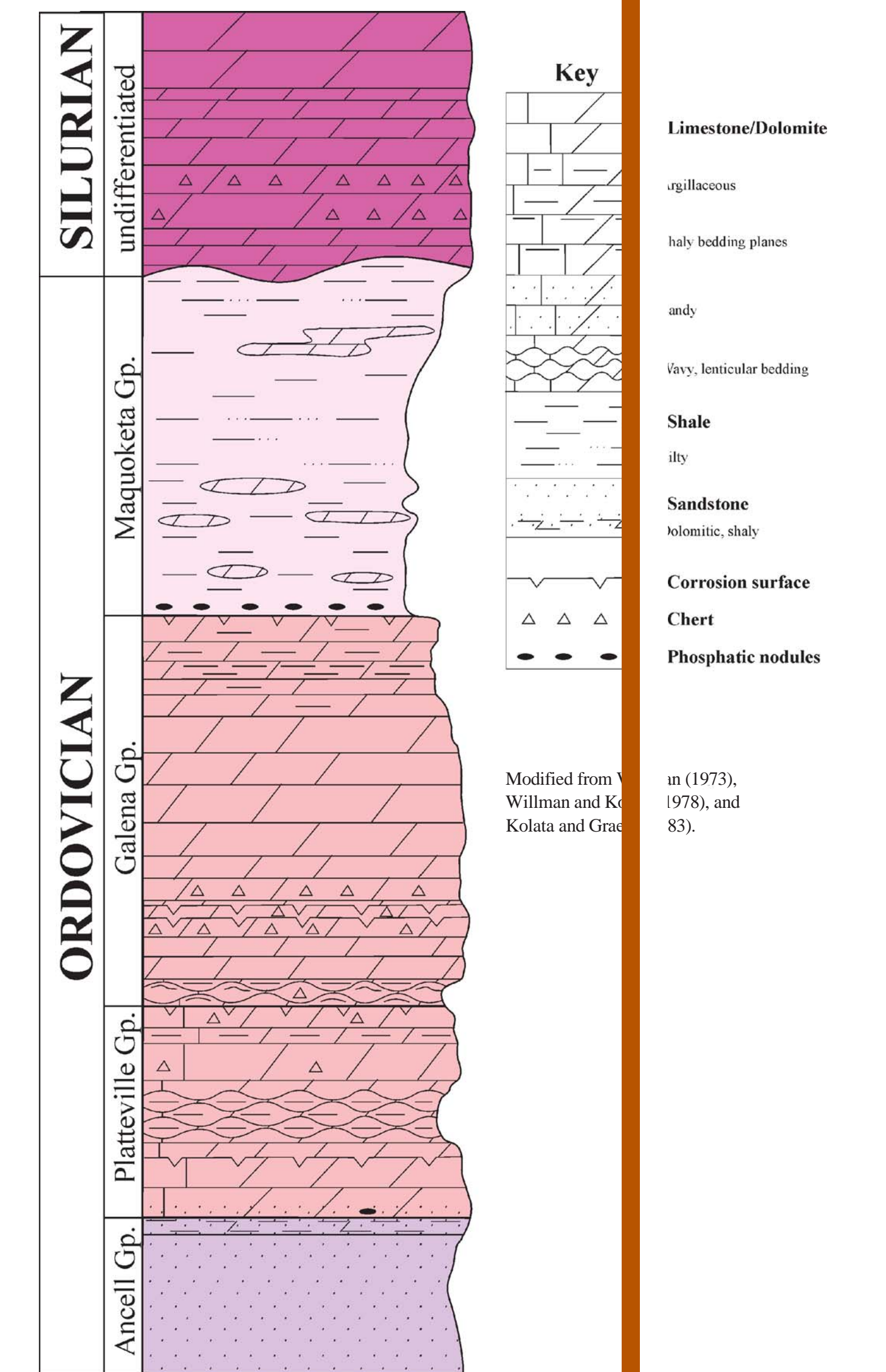
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- SILURIAN SYSTEM**
 undifferentiated (0 - 150 feet thick)
 Dolomite; brownish-gray; some beds contain white argillaceous at base. This cliff-forming rock crops out of much of Jo Daviess County (e.g. Horseshoe Mound and Ward's Grove, southeast of Stockton). These rock Mississippi River valley, west of Hanover, and in numerous ridge tops along US Highway 20.
- ORDOVICIAN SYSTEM**
 Maquoketa Group (0 - 180 feet thick)
 Shale; dolomitic; silty; greenish-gray; argillaceous in the lower half. Although the unit crops out on gentle slopes throughout the county, exposures of this slope-forming rock are scarce. These rocks are well exposed in a railroad cut west of Stockton along US Highway 20 east of Elizabeth.
- Galena and Platteville Groups (0 - 300 feet thick)
 Dolomite and limestone; yellowish-brown and gray argillaceous beds; clay (K-bentonite) beds. The Platteville is finer grained and thinner bedded than the Galena Group. The Galena Group consists of limestone in the western half of the county, and in many roadcuts throughout the county (e.g. Apple River Canyon State Park and the Apple River at Appleton). These rocks contain lead and zinc ore (galena) that has been extensively mined in the region in the past. Mine shafts are shown on this map; many smaller mine shafts are not shown.
- Anceill Group (100 - 200 feet thick)
 Sandstone; frosted, fine- to medium-sized quartz grains. The upper 25 feet is composed of interbedded dolomitic sandstone and shale. These rocks are not exposed in the county, but underlie the sediments in the Mississippi River valley.
- Surface Water
 Syncline
 Mine Shaft (all are abandoned)
 Quarry
 Municipality
 State Park
 US Highway
 State Highway
 Other Roads
 Railroad
 Streams



This map was prepared by the Illinois State Geological Survey, in cooperation with the Illinois Department of Commerce and Community Affairs and the Jo Daviess County Board. It is part of a series of maps created to assist local government in addressing geologic questions concerning suitable sites for landfill development. Maps produced for this study are intended for regional land use planning purposes. More detailed mapping is needed for site-specific considerations. This map has been reviewed for scientific accuracy and edited to meet the quality standards of maps in the ISGS Map Series.