




Figure 1: Gays River Location Map

### SINKHOLES IN RELATION TO SURFICIAL GEOLOGY

-  HUMMOCK TERRAIN
-  SURFACE SINKHOLE
-  BATHYMETRIC SINKHOLE

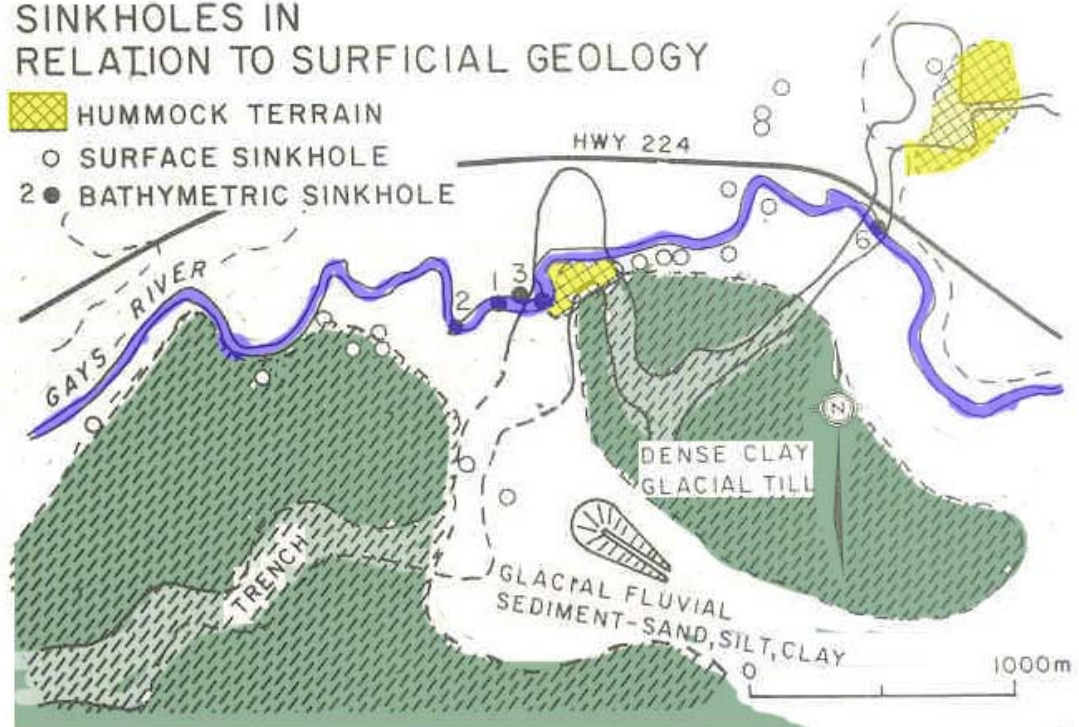
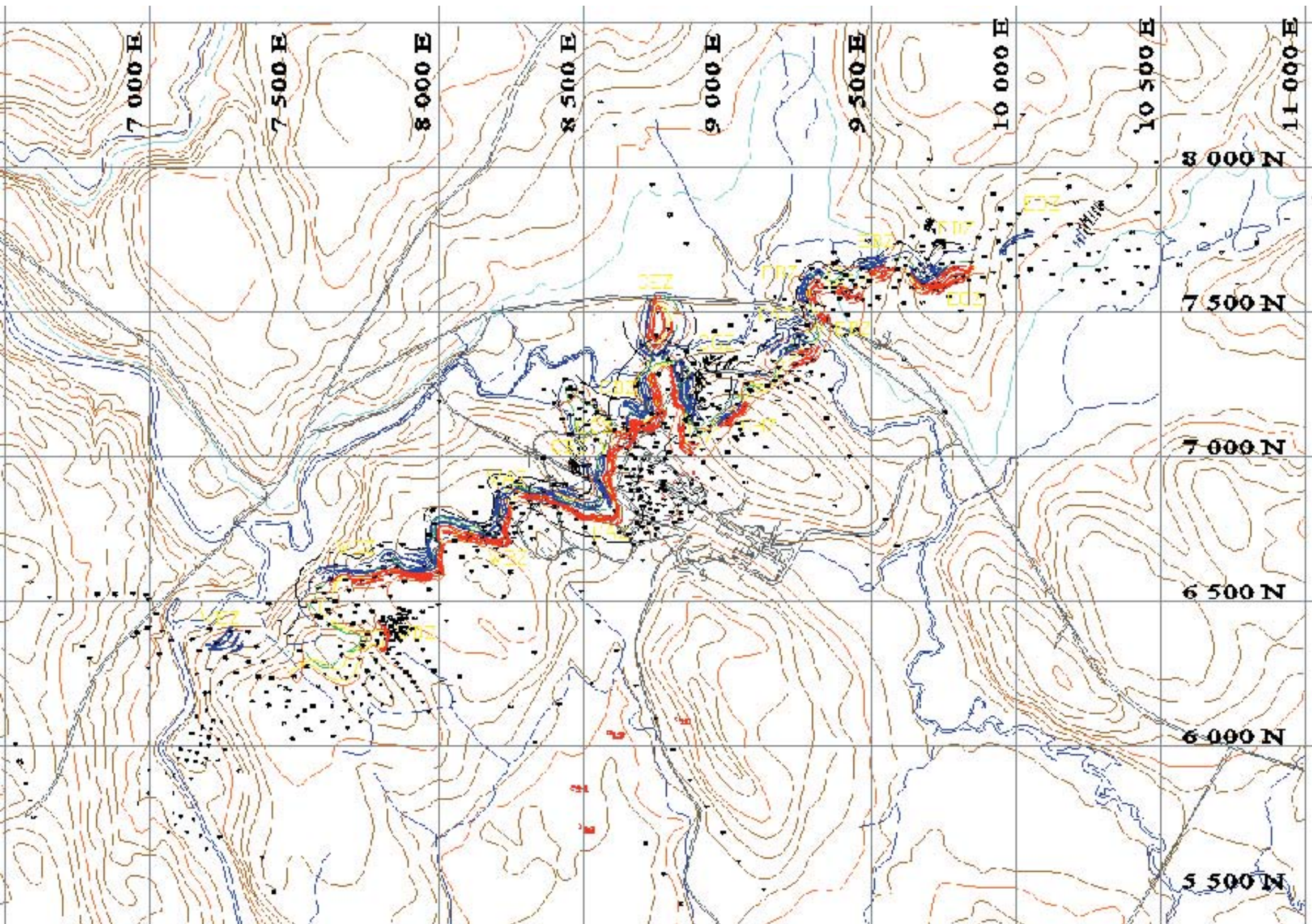
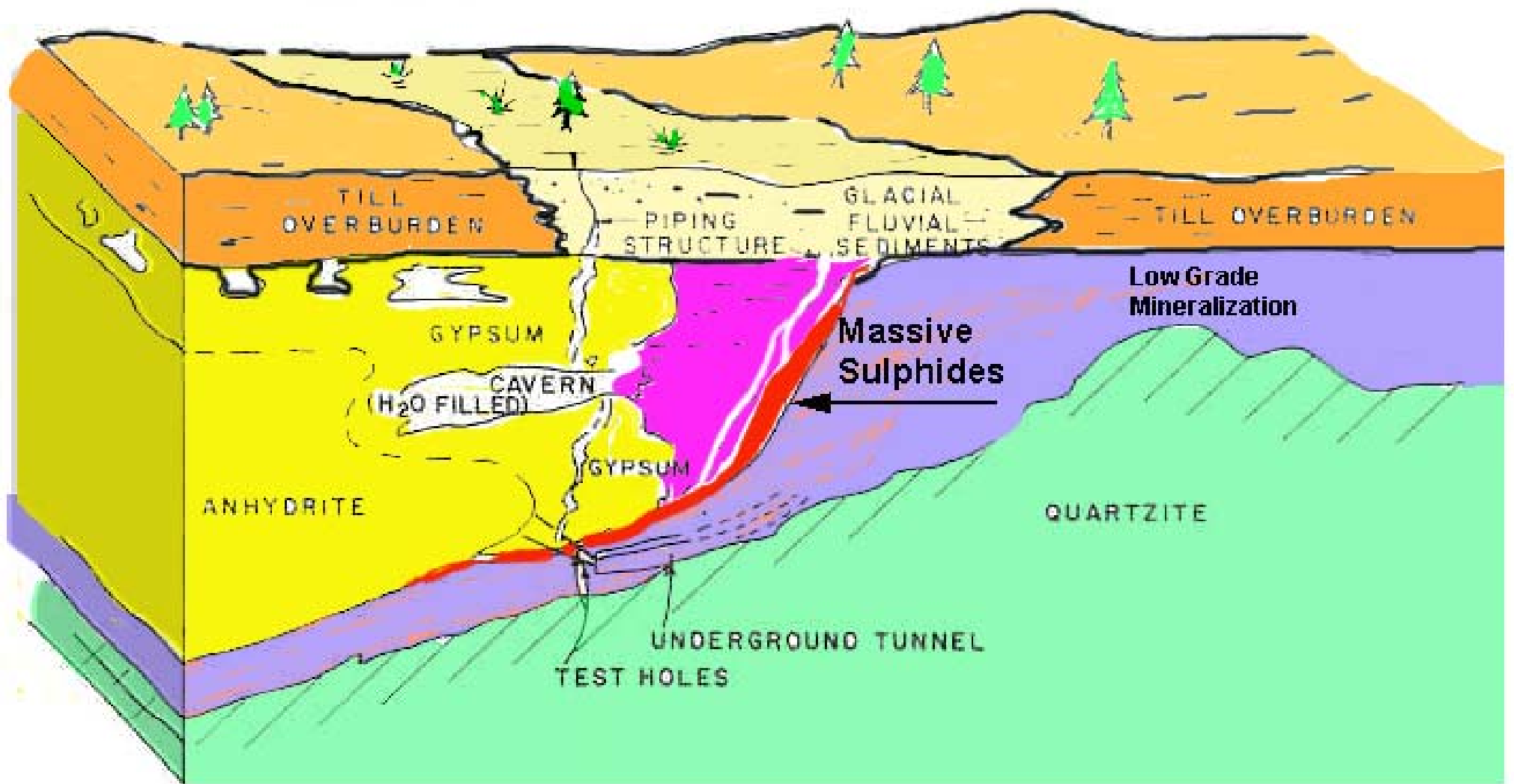


Figure 2: Sinkholes in Relation to Surficial Geology









Stream level drops with time

Ca rich water

evaporites

De-dolomitisation  
by Ca rich water

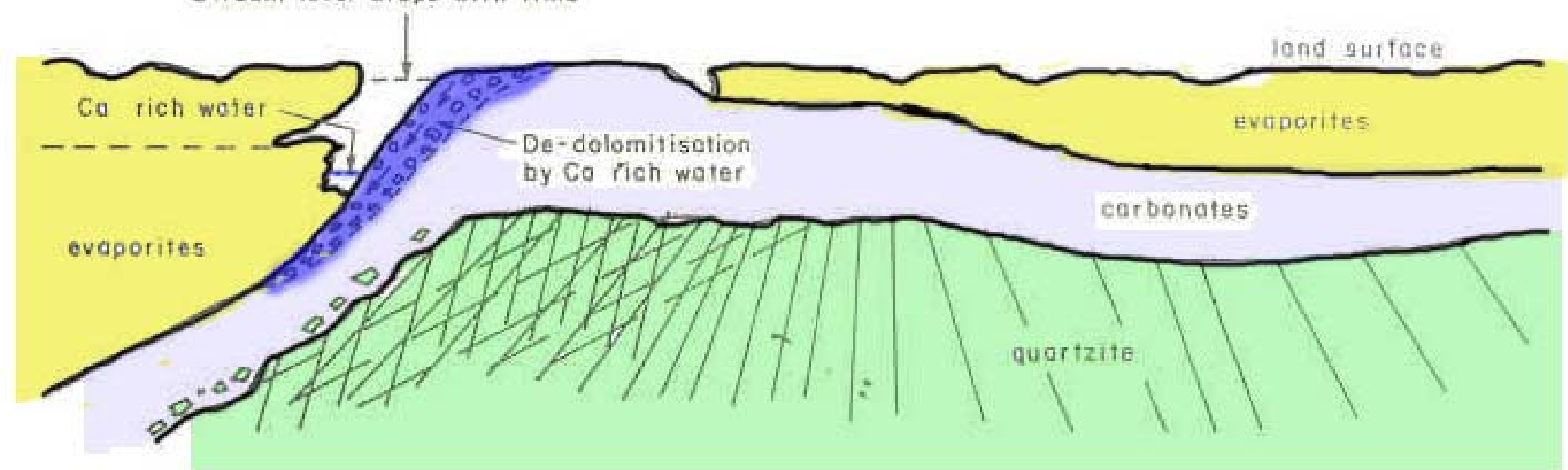
land surface

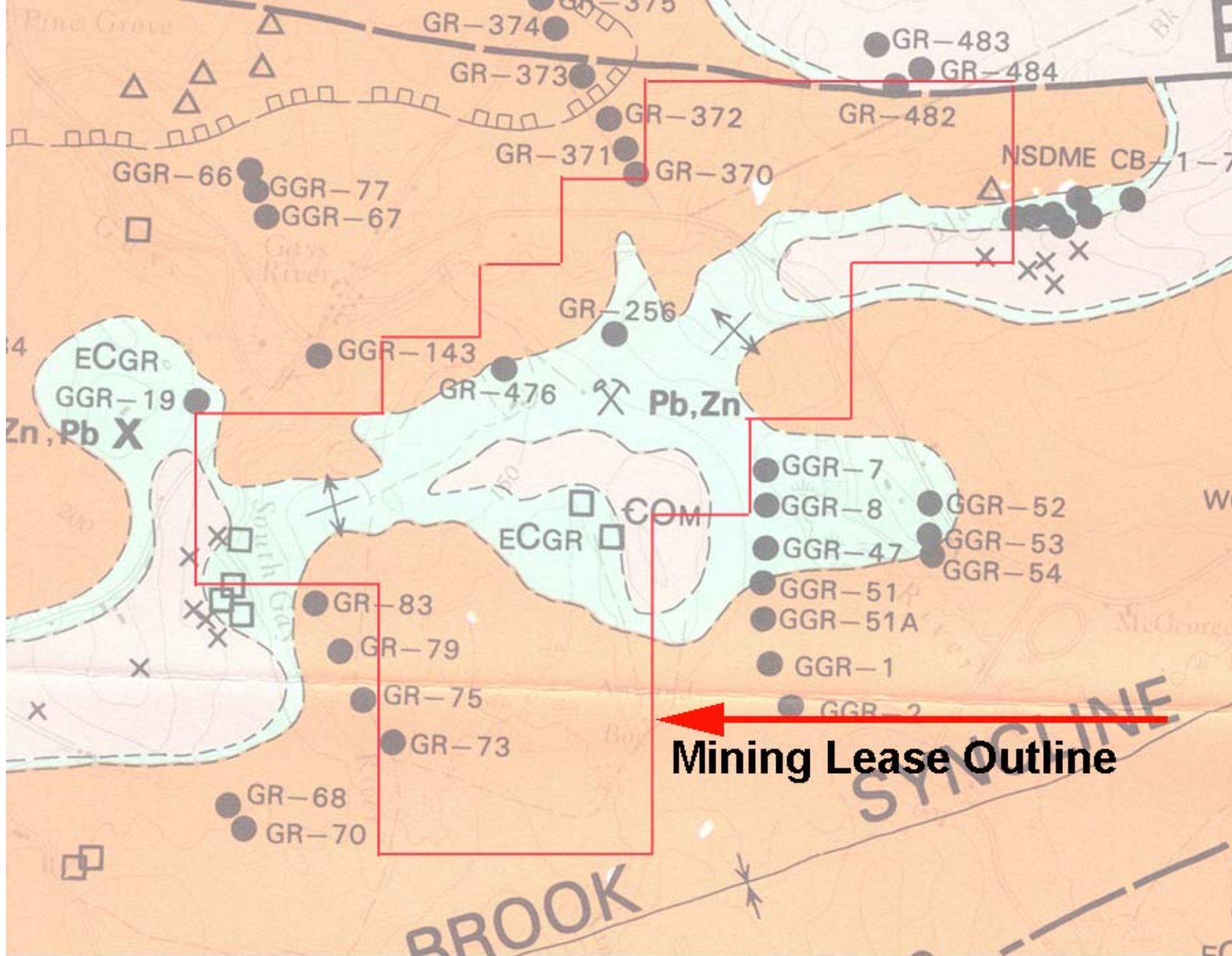
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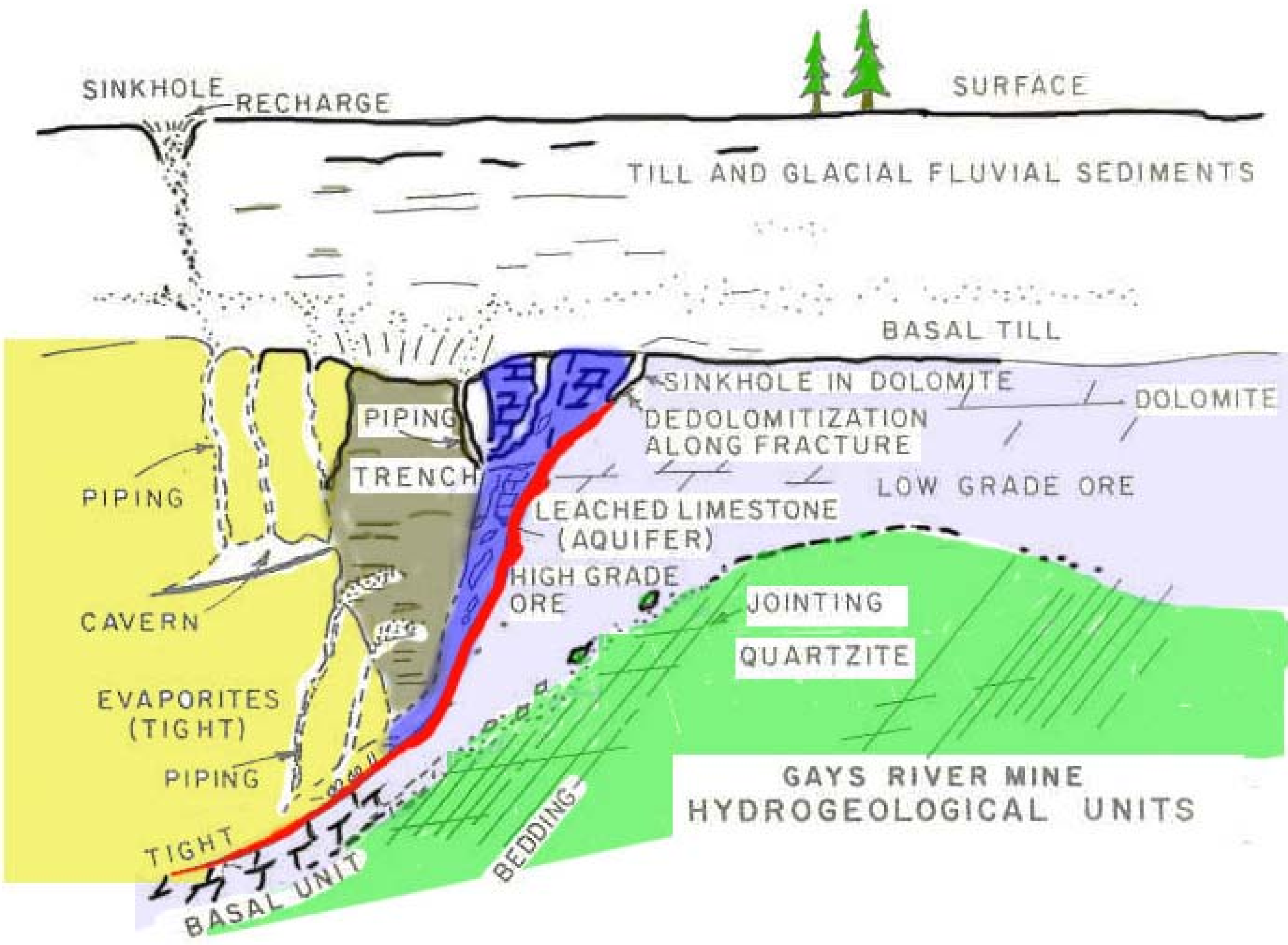
quartzite

## Cretaceous Weathering









**GAYS RIVER MINE  
HYDROGEOLOGICAL UNITS**

# STRATIGRAPHIC UNITS, GAYS RIVER MINE

ERA	PERIOD	DIAGRAMATIC COLUMNAR SECTION	LITHOLOGY	HYDROLOGICAL CHARACT
CENOZOIC	QUATERNARY (Pleistocene)	<p>FLOOD PLAIN RIVER FLUVIAL TILL GLACIAL SEDS BEDROCK</p>	Recent stream sediment. Glacial till cut by outwash channel Till, Bedrock	Glacial fluvial sediments-silt, sand and gravel cutting clay rich glacial till Glacial till-soil piping
<b>There is no record of Tertiary Sediments</b>				
MESOZOIC	CRETACEOUS (Lower)	<p>TRENCH SINK-HOLES EVAPORITES</p>	Trench eroded between carbonate and evaporites.	Trench-hard, dense clay, clayey silt, and gravel and gypsum Trench-soil piping (large capillaries) Cavernous zones
<b>There is no record of Pennsylvanian, Permian, Triassic, or Jurassic Sedimentation</b>				
<b>Uplift and Erosion, (Post Lower Mississippian, Pre Middle Cretaceous)</b>				
PALEOZOIC	CAMBR-ORDOV. Gays River Formation	<p>ANHYDRITE CALCARIOUS SILT GYP</p>	Anhydrite with Gypsum & argillaceous limestone/dolomite horizons	Calcium Sulphate Salts Impervious (but soluble)
	MISSISSIPPIAN Windsor Group	<p>SEA LEVEL ALGAL FACIES FORE REEF</p>	Reef complex micritic, algal, clastic, and coral facies	Dolomitic limestone dedolomitized vuggy carbonate at the trench contact Fracture porosity
	<b>Erosion?</b>			
<b>Folding, Faulting, Uplift and Erosion</b>				
CAMBR-ORDOV. Meguma Gr. Gold Vt. Frm.		<p>SLATE QUARTZITE</p>	Blocky, massive quartzite to greywacke beds with slate horizons	Quartz sand, minor chloride Essentially impervious Fracture porosity only



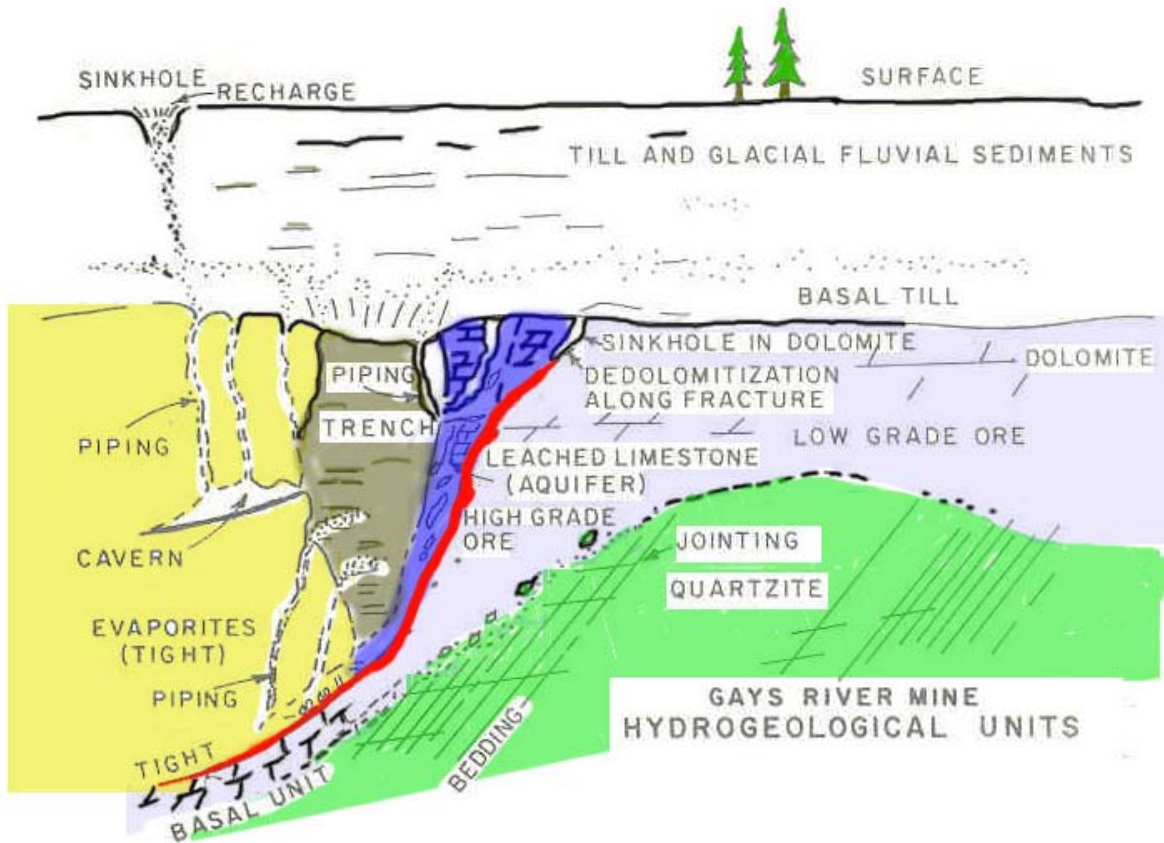


Figure 3: Gays River Hydrogeological Units

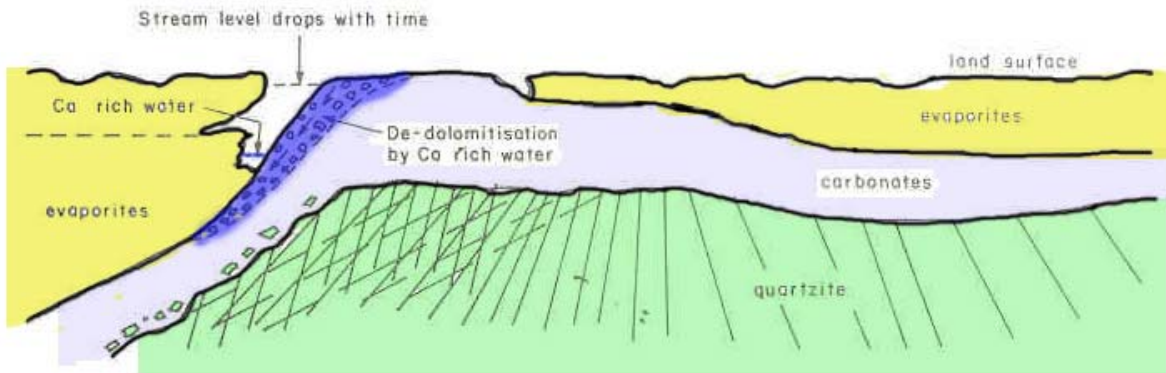


Figure 4: Reconstructed (Lower Cretaceous) Cross-Section

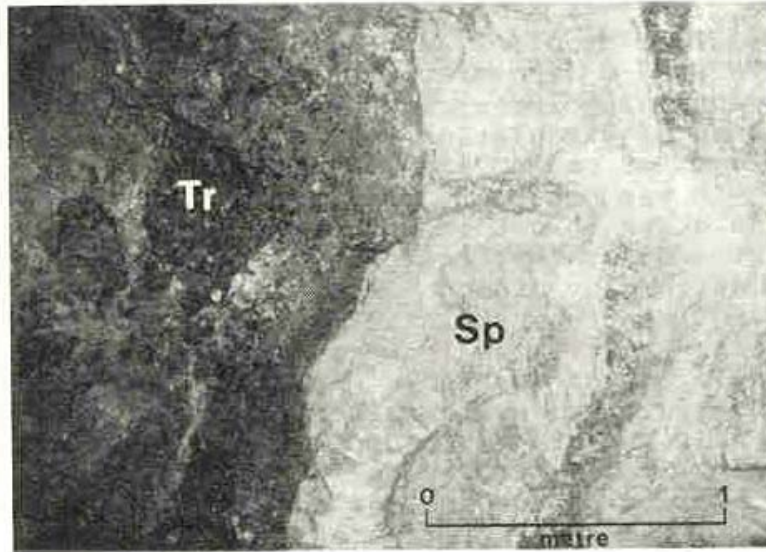


Figure 5: Photo of Massive Sphalerite - Trench Contact  
Sp-Sphalerite, Tr-Collapse Breccia in Trench

UNDERGROUND DEWATERING WELL

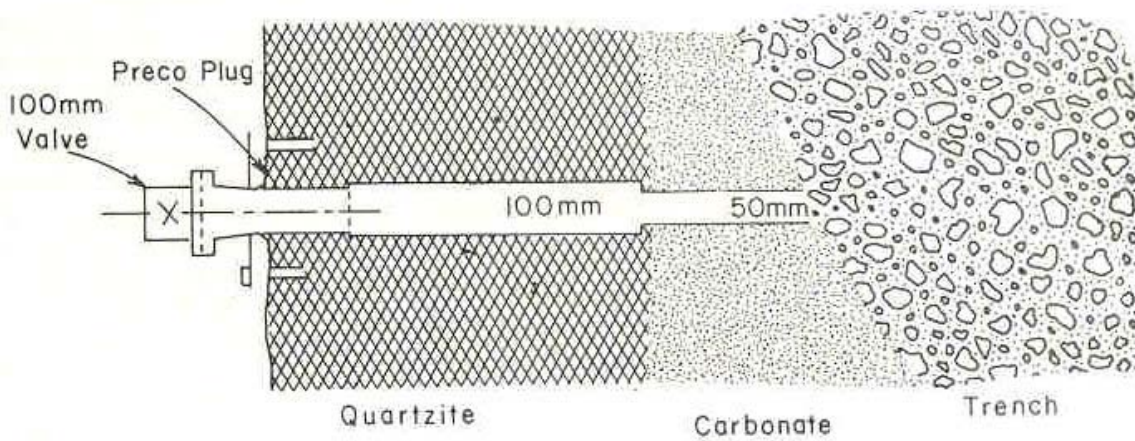


Figure 6: Underground Dewatering Well Set-up





Figure 7: Photo of Sinkhole in Glacial Fluvial Sands Over the 119 Area

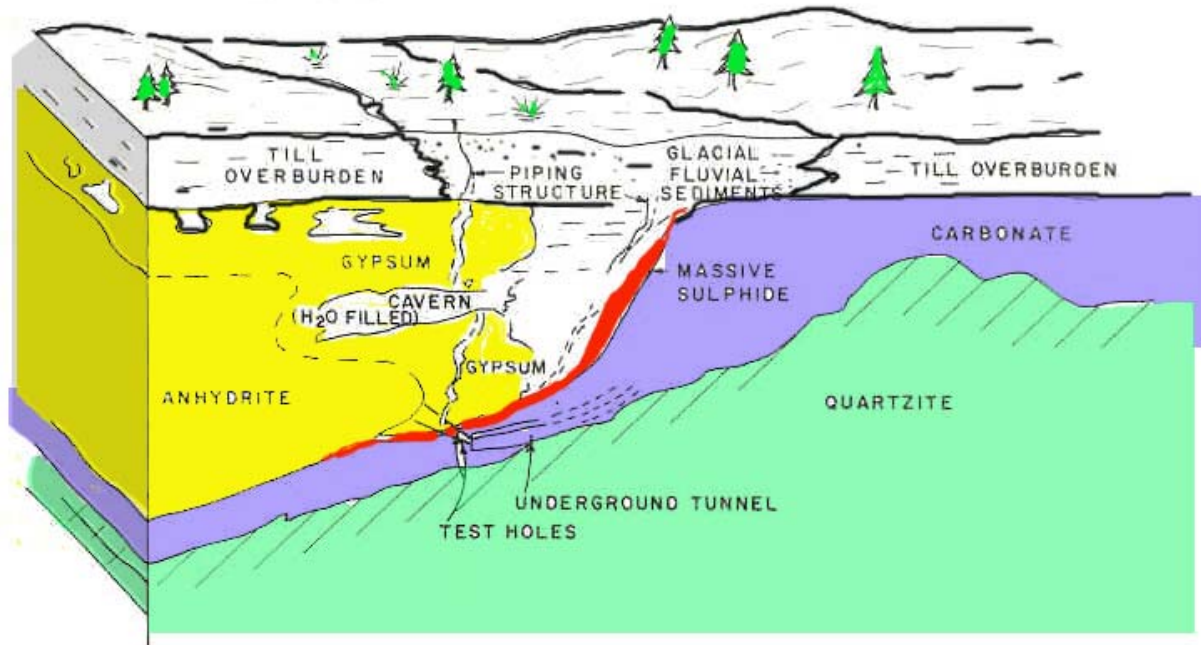


Figure 8 (a): The underground heading is advancing in ore, testholing along the way. The testholes miss the piping structure.

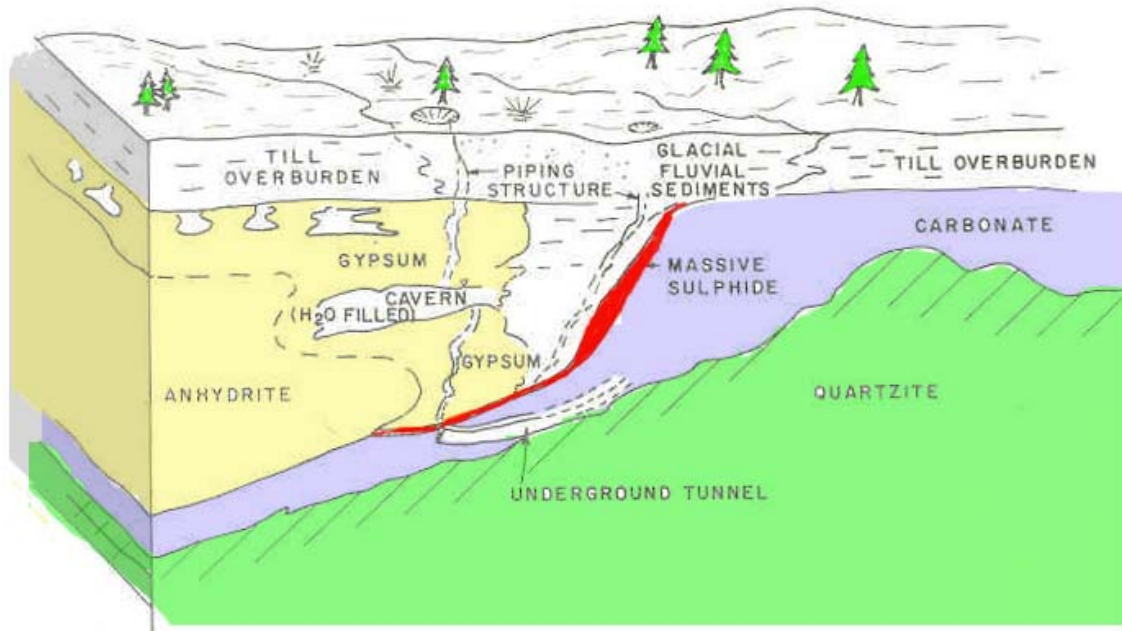


Figure 8 (b): The water-bearing "pipe" is exposed when the round is blasted. The heading floods with water, sand and mud. Sinkholes form on the surface.

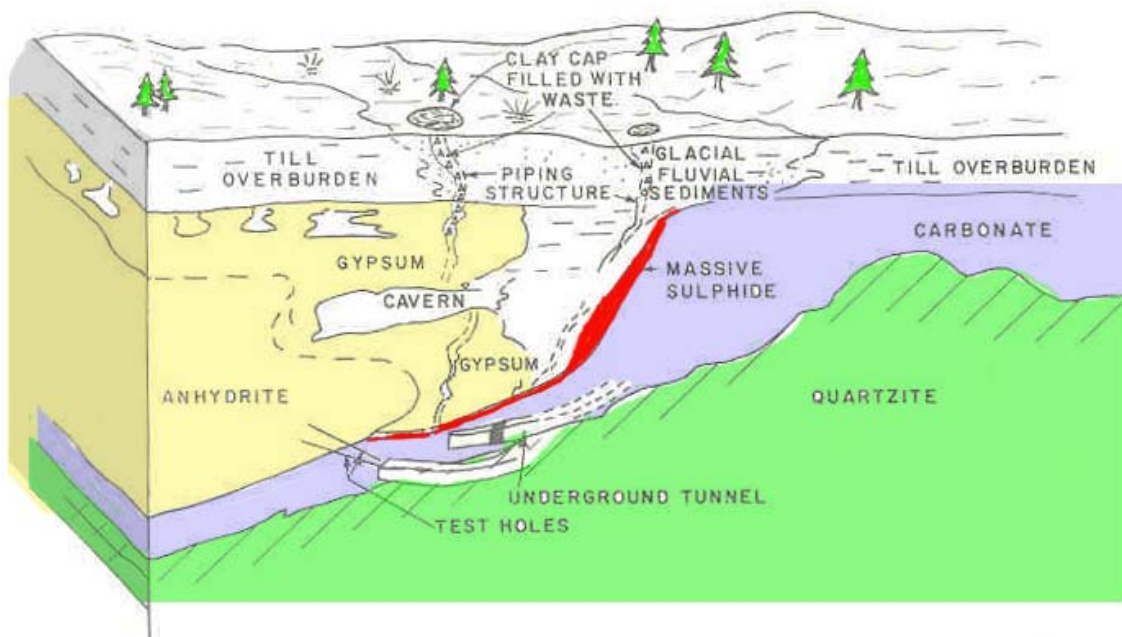


Figure 8 (c): The drift is pumped out and a reinforced concrete bulkhead is built. The heading must go through waste to bypass the water.





# SCOTIA MINE LEAD/ZINC MILL

CRUSHING & GRINDING

