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Surface Geology

Denbigh Quadrangle, North Dakota

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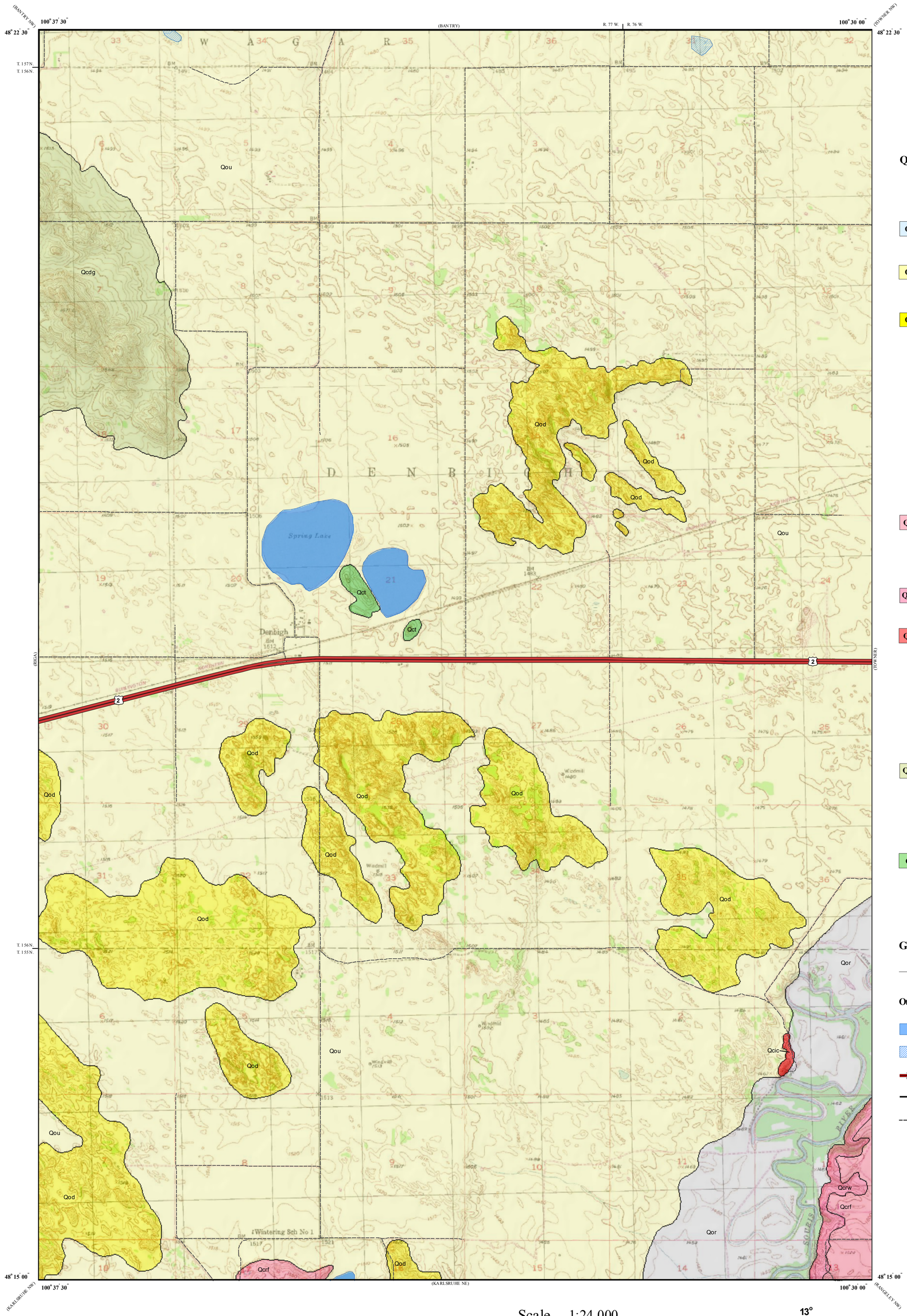

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QUATERNARY SYSTEM

RECENT

OAHE FORMATION

Qos **Pond and Slough Sediment**

Dark, obscurely bedded clay and silt; in modern ephemeral ponds.

Qou **Windblown Sediment**

Well-sorted, fine sand and black silt with obscure bedding and weak paleosols; undulating to slightly rolling.

Qod **Windblown Sediment**

Well-sorted, fine sand and black silt with obscure bedding and weak paleosols; strongly rolling dunes with up to 65 feet of local relief.

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Silt Facies

Lake sediment. Laminated silty clay, clayey silt, and fine sand of glacier-dammed lakes; yellowish-brown to dark gray in exposures depending on weathering intensity.

Sand and Gravel Facies

River sediment. Moderately well-sorted, cross bedded sand and plane-bedded gravel, including sediment of meltwater rivers.

Qcrf **Uncollapsed Flat Fluvial Plains**

Flat-bedded sediment of nearly level plains and river terraces, commonly with braided channel scars, oxbows, and other relict markings; relief of 1 to 10 feet. Mainly along the Souris River with minor occurrences in tributary valleys.

Qcrw **Sand or Gravel Patches**

Gravel or sand overlying glacial sediment; water-worn till surface.

Qcic **Ice-Contact Deposits**

Mainly gravel and sand with cobbles and boulders common; inclusions of glacial sediment common; local relief up to 50 feet; eskers and kames.

Till Facies

Glacial sediment. Unsorted, unbedded mixture of angular, subangular, and rounded blocks of rock, gravel, and sand, generally in a stiff matrix of silt and clay; yellowish-brown to olive-gray in exposures depending on weathering intensity; contains discontinuous lenses of gravel and sand.

Qcdg **Thin Layer of Till**

Veneer of till draped over and only slightly modifying the pre-existing topography (pre-glacial bedrock, older till, or gravel surface); relief up to 75 feet locally; some ice-thrust hills (Qct) that have been subsequently overridden by ice have a thin layer of till on top and are identified as Qcdg (hard to distinguish from Qct).

Qct **Ice-Thrust Masses**

Glacial sediment that has been draped over glacial or preglacial sediment or rock that has been sheared up into thrust slabs or folds; hilly areas with intense internal linearity; local concentrations of gravel and boulders; local relief may exceed 150 feet.

Geologic Symbols

Known contact between two geologic units

Other Features

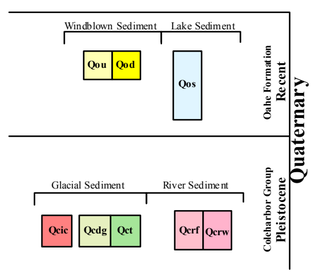
Water

Water - Intermittent

U.S. Highway

Paved Road

Unpaved Road



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Scale 1:24,000

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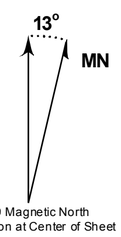
Miles

Lambert Conformal Conic Projection Standard Parallels 48° 15' 00" and 48° 22' 30"
1927 North American Datum NGVD 1929
USGS 7.5 Minute Topographic Map Contour Interval 5 Feet
Roads and Hydrologic Layers Rectified to 2003 NAIP Digital Orthophoto



1949 Magnetic North
Declination at Center of Sheet

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