### GEOLOGIC MAP OF THE MENDHAM QUADRANGLE, MORRIS COUNTY, NEW JERSEY GEOLOGIC MAP SERIES 88-3

### DESCRIPTION OF MAP UNITS

Qd

Quaternary deposits - Pleistocene glacial and interglacial deposits including clay, silt, sand, gravel, till, and colluvium and alluvium of Holocene age. Not shown where bedrock is Jt or Jc. Qd (PAL) denotes Quaternary deposits overlying undifferentiated Paleozoic rocks of the Green Pond Outlier.

Dikes - Thin, dark-gray, fine-grained to aphanitic basaltic (db) and lamprophyric (dl) dikes which intrude Middle Proterozoic rocks. Age is uncertain.

### Rocks of the Newark Basin

Newark Supergroup (undifferentiated) Sandstone, siltstone, and mudstone of the
Towaco Formation (Jt) and conglomerate
and conglomeratic sandstone with clasts of
reddish-brown and green shale and lesser
quartz pebbles in a matrix of shale chips and
clay (Jc).

#### Rocks of the Peapack Klippe

Jutland Klippe upper unit B (Perissoratis and others, 1979; Lyttle and Epstein, 1987; Avery A. Drake, personal communication) - Heterogeneous sequence of interbedded red and green shale, interlaminated limestone and shale, interbedded fine-grained sandstone, siltstone, and yellow, red, green, tan, and gray shale.

#### **Rocks of the Green Pond Outlier**

Paleozoic (undifferentiated) - Most probably quartzite and dolomitic sandstone of the Hardyston Quartzite and dolomite and dolomitic shale to dolomitic sandstone of the Leithsville Formation (Bayley and others, 1914).

#### Rocks of the Lehigh Valley Sequence

Leithsville Formation - Light- to dark-gray weathering, fine- to medium-crystalline, thin-to medium-bedded dolomite, interbedded with thin dolomitic shale and dolomitic sandstone.

Hardyston Quartzite - Medium- to light-gray, fine-grained quartzite, arkosic sandstone, and dolomitic sandstone.

### Rocks of the Reading Prong

#### Byram Intrusive Suite

Hornblende granite - Medium- to coarsegrained, pink to buff, gneissoid to indistinctly foliated granite and sparse granite gneiss composed principally of microcline microperthite, quartz, oligoclase, and hornblende. Contains small booles of pegmatite and amphibolite not shown on map.

Microperthite alaskite - Medium- to coarsegrained, pink to buff, gneissoid to indistinctly foliated granite composed principally of microcline microperthite, quartz, and oligoclase. Contains small bodies of amphibolite not shown on map.

## Intrusive Rocks

Pyroxene granite - Medium-to medium-coarsegrained, buff to greenish-gray, gneissoid to indistinctly foliated granite composed of mesoperthite to microantiperthite, quartz, oligoclase, clinopyroxene, and in some rocks, hornblende. Contains small bodies of alaskite and amphibolite not shown on map. Relative age and relationship to rocks of the

# Metasedimentary Rocks

quartz.

Ymr

Byram Intrusive Suite unknown.

Marble - Coarse-crystalline, white to grayish-white, calcitic to dolomitic marble with accessory graphite, phlogopite, serpentine, and garnet.

Pyroxene gneiss - Medium-fine- to mediumgrained, greenish-gray, white weathering, well-layered gneiss composed of oligoclase, clinopyroxene and variable amounts of

Biotite-quartz-feldspar gneiss - Mediumgrained, gray to tan, locally rusty weathering, well-layered and foliated gneiss which is variable in texture and composition. Composed of oligoclase, microcline microperthite, quartz, and biotite. Locally contains garnet, graphite, and sillimanite. Unit is interlayered with metaquartzite south of the Flemington

Potassic feldspar gneiss - Medium-fine- to medium-grained, tan to pinkish-white, moderately foliated rock composed principally of quartz, microcline, and lesser oligoclase.

## Losee Metamorphic Suite

Quartz-oligoclase gneiss - Medium- to coarsegrained, white to light-greenish-gray, welllayered gneiss composed of quartz, oligoclase, and sparse hornblende, chlorite, and altered clinopyroxene. Locally contains amphibolite layers.

Biotite-quartz-oligoclase gneiss - Mediumfine-to medium- grained, greenish-gray, massive, moderately layered, well foliated gneiss containing oligoclase, quartz, biotite and locally garnet. Commonly interlayered with amphibolite.

### Rocks of Uncertain Origin

Amphibolite - Medium-grained, gray to grayishblack rock composed of hornblende and andesine. Locally contains biotite. Associated with all Middle Proterozoic rocks in the map

Hornblende-pyroxene-granite gneiss Medium- to medium-coarse-grained,
greenish-buff to grayish-tan, massive,
moderately foliated rock composed of
clinopyroxene, hornblende, quartz, and
microperthite. Intercalated with amphibolite
and less commonly with hornblende-quartzfeldspar gneiss. Appears spatially associated
with diorite. May be a contaminated phase of
hornblende granite. Relative age unknown.

Diorite - Medium- to coarse-grained, greenishgray to brownish- gray, greasy-lustered, massive to moderately foliated diorite to quartz diorite composed of andesine or oligoclase, clinopyroxene, hornblende, hypersthene, sparse biotite and variable amounts of quartz. Amphibolite and mafic-rich quartzplagioclase gneiss layers are common.

#### MAP SYMBOLS

Contact - Dashed where approximate; dotted where concealed

Fault - Dashed where approximate; dotted

Tear fault - Arrows indicate relative horizontal

where concealed

High angle fault - U: upthrown side; D:

Inclined thrust fault - Sawteeth on upper plate

Synform - Showing troughline and direction of

Antiform - Showing crestline and direction of

Overturned antiform - Showing trace of axial

surface, direction of dip and limbs, and direction of plunge.

Overturned synform - Showing trace of axial

surface, direction of dip and limbs, and direction of plunge.

Minor folds - Showing plunge of axis

Strike and dip of crystallization foliation

Vertical

Inclined

Vertical

Strike and dip of mylonitic foliation

Bearing and plunge of mineral lineation in

Strike and dip of bedding

Proterozoic rocks

Abandoned stone quarry

Abandoned mine - M: magnetite; Mi: mica prospect

Dike

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