



### DALY LAKE LEGEND

**PRECAMBRIAN\*\***

**REGIONAL SHEAR ZONES**

Zones of regional shearing and recrystallization have principally affected granite gneisses and metametamorphic rocks to produce: ultramylonite, mylonite, cataclastic blastomylonite, and faser gneiss; megacrystic to typically streaky; may contain rounded or angular rock clasts or feldspar porphyroclasts (1).

**RECRYSTALLIZED MYLONITIC ROCK:** light grayish-green overall, with dark specks of hornblende porphyroclasts up to 3 mm long, and locally feldspar porphyroclasts from 10 to 15 mm long. In a sheared, fine-grained matrix, some indistinct banding. Locally mixed with and gradational to parent material Grey Hornblende Granite.

**RECRYSTALLIZED MYLONITIC ROCK:** dark colored, with white to gray anhedral feldspar porphyroclasts and subhedral feldspar porphyroclasts 10 to 50 mm long; foliated, locally gneissic; aphanitic matrix, locally medium-grained; minor apatite and pagmatite. Parent material largely Slave Granitoids and Arch Lake Granitoids.

**RECRYSTALLIZED MYLONITIC ROCK:** green to black; granoblastic leucocratic to schistose, with biotite, chlorite, sericite, feldspar and minor quartz porphyroclasts in a massive to foliated, finely banded, aphanitic matrix. Parent material largely metametamorphic rock.

**RECRYSTALLIZED MYLONITIC ROCK:** mostly light colored, with white to pink feldspar porphyroclasts 5 to 20 mm long making up 2 to 5 percent of the rock, in a foliated, finely banded, aphanitic matrix. Parent material largely granite gneiss.

**GRANITOID ROCKS**

**ARCH LAKE GRANITOID**

**ARCH LAKE GRANITE PHASE:** typically reddish overall; 20 to 40 percent red, subhedral, elongate to tabular feldspar megacrysts, from 15 to 30 mm long, aligned subparallel in a medium-grained locally coarse-grained usually well-foliated matrix of feldspar, blue quartz and biotite. Locally reduced amounts of feldspar megacrysts. Mafic mineral content 8 to 14 percent. Commonly mildly mylonitic, with crushed matrix and angular megacrysts.

**ARCH LAKE TRANSITIONAL GRANITE PHASE:** transitional to Slave Granitoids; typically reddish overall; up to 10 percent white to pink subhedral, elongate to tabular feldspar megacrysts, from 10 to 15 mm long, aligned subparallel in a medium-grained locally coarse-grained usually well-foliated matrix of feldspar, blue quartz, and biotite. Quartz content locally reduced from 20 to 10 percent. Commonly mildly mylonitic.

**LA BUTTE GRANDIODIORITE**

Generally light gray to brownish gray to massive bluish quartz combined with pink-gray feldspar; of uniform color and texture; in hand specimen specks and aggregates of dark mafic mineral in a lighter gray background. Medium grained but ranging to fine- and coarse-grained, with 8 to 20 mm long feldspar megacrysts from 5 to 5 percent abundance in a quartz, feldspar, biotite matrix. Typically massive to uncommonly poorly foliated or locally gneissic. Rock types range from granite to granodiorite, quartz diorite, and quartz monodiorite, with a mean composition of granodiorite.

**SLAVE GRANITOID**

**SLAVE GRANITE PHASE:** typically whitish gray locally white to greenish gray to pink feldspar mottled on a darker background; medium- to coarse-grained (locally fine-grained); up to 5 percent white feldspar megacrysts, 7 to 15 mm long, in a matrix of white feldspars, quartz and biotite (<1 to 5 percent); masses to more commonly foliated (increase in biotite content tends to better define foliation); typically gneissic, in knots 5 x 5 mm across with a biotite envelope; may be locally gneissic; includes minor small-scale mafic lenses of metametamorphic appearance; minor gray white, fine- to medium-grained felsic dykes and quartz veins.

**MAFIC SLAVE GRANITE PHASE:** similar to Slave Granite but with a notably higher biotite content (up to 10 percent); distinctly foliated.

**MEGACRYSTIC COMPONENT:** up to 15 percent white feldspar megacrysts 15 to 50 mm long, either randomly oriented or aligned with the foliation of map units 101 and 102 (#).

**RED SLAVE GRANITE PHASE:** similar to Slave Granite but with a distinct pinkish red color.

**SLAVE PG GRANITE PHASE:** typically reddish pink to pink; commonly medium-grained; abundant white to pink to red feldspar megacrysts 6 to 12 mm across in a medium-grained matrix of feldspar, quartz, biotite (4 to 8 percent) and minor sericite, garnet and minor pagmatitic phase ranging from individual white feldspar porphyroclasts 5 to 15 mm long, to nebulous or distinct aggregations and masses, commonly foliated to locally gneissic (1-2); fine-grained; retrograde phyllite and schist (biotite, chlorite, sericite, and uncommonly hornblende), and phylonites.

**CHARLES LAKE GRANITOID**

**LEUCOCRATIC GRANITE:** light gray to pink to red on both fresh and weathered surfaces. The medium- to coarse-grained equigranular texture is composed of pink to red anhedral feldspars, quartz and up to about 3 percent mafic minerals. Massive texture is locally foliated. Minor microcline and pagmatite accompany the dominant granite composition.

**GREY HORNBLende GRANITE:** buff to gray, with dark specks of hornblende and locally feldspar porphyroclasts from 5 to 12 mm in size within a quartz-feldspar matrix; texture is fine- to medium-grained, massive to slightly foliated. Locally mylonitic.

**GRANITE F:** mottled, with large white to pink and gray feldspar megacrysts in a gray matrix; subhedral feldspar megacrysts from 25 to 100 mm long are enclosed in a coarse-grained matrix of poorly foliated matrix of feldspar, and biotite. Minor local bodies of apatite and pagmatite are included. The predominant rock type is granodiorite.

**METASEDIMENTARY ROCKS**

**METASEDIMENTARY ROCKS:** the high-grade metametamorphic rock types included in this map unit are lithologically and texturally gradational, and in part interbedded on outcrop scale. Typically impure quartzite; dark greenish (bluish) gray (fresh) to black; fine-grained, layered, with ferruginous and garnetiferous zones, locally scattered pyrite, goethite, and milky to bluish gray quartz pods and veins. Minor amphibole may be present. Common local lithologic gradational variations to: (1) fine- to medium-grained, metamorphic quartz-feldspathic, granitic and minor pagmatitic phase ranging from individual white feldspar porphyroclasts 5 to 15 mm long, to nebulous or distinct aggregations and masses, commonly foliated to locally gneissic (1-2); (2) fine-grained, retrograde phyllite and schist (biotite, chlorite, sericite, and uncommonly hornblende), and phylonites.

**AMPHIBOLITE**

**Dark brownish green (fresh surface) to grayish green;** typically medium grained; biotite may be common; composition ranges from essentially amphibole pure or amphibole rich to a feldspathic biotite amphibolite, commonly foliated but may be banded where foliation rich; minor pyrite common.

**GRANITE GNEISS**

**HORNBLende GRANITE GNEISS:** typically pink to reddish with dark green bands; quartz-feldspar bands interbedded with mafic-rich bands (hornblende, with biotite generally chloritic) on hand specimen scale; fine- to medium-grained, generally equigranular; rarely megacrystic; commonly well banded but may be locally poorly banded to foliated, and rarely massive. Composition is predominantly granite, with minor granodiorite, and quartz diorite. Large areas are migmatitic, particularly where intimately associated with minor lenses, pods, or bands of metametamorphic rocks, pagmatite, or amphibolite.

**BIOTITE GRANITE GNEISS:** typically pink to reddish; quartz-feldspar bands interbedded with mafic-rich bands (biotite, possibly with subordinate hornblende; generally chloritic) on hand specimen scale; fine- to medium-grained, generally equigranular; rarely megacrystic; commonly well banded but may be locally poorly banded to foliated, and leucocratic phases may be nearly massive. Composition is predominantly granite, with minor granodiorite, quartz diorite, and quartz monodiorite. Large areas are migmatitic, particularly where intimately associated with minor lenses, pods, and bands of metametamorphic rocks, pagmatite, or amphibolite. Minor hornblende granite gneiss.

**\*\*NOTE:** Rock groups are arranged in approximate chronological sequence. Nomenclature follows Strickland (1967): Classification and nomenclature of igneous rocks; Neues Jahrbuch für Mineralogie, Abhandlungen, 107, No. 2, p. 144-240.

**Geological boundary (defined, approximate) . . . . .**

**Foliation (defined: dip known, dip vertical; foliation assumed) . . . . .**

**Foliation trend\* . . . . .**

**Lineation (combined with foliation) . . . . .**

**Extreme contortion (structural trend shown) . . . . .**

**Tight folds (structural trend shown) . . . . .**

**Local gneissosity in generally massive to foliated rock . . . . .**

**Joint (dip known, vertical, unknown) . . . . .**

**Fault (defined: dip known, fault assumed) . . . . .**

**Shear (dip known) . . . . .**

**Breccia . . . . .**

**Mylonite (local) . . . . .**

**Quartz vein . . . . .**

**Crystalline standard sample . . . . .**

**Mineral Occurrence . . . . .**

**Rock alteration . . . . .**

**Allanite . . . . .**

**Chlorite . . . . .**

**Epidote . . . . .**

**Garnet . . . . .**

**Hornblende . . . . .**

**Isotopic age (million years): biotite (b); K-Ar (k); University of Alberta . . . . .**

**Glacial stria (direction of ice movement shown) . . . . .**

**Dune\* . . . . .**

**Kettle . . . . .**

**Raised beach\* (downslope indicated) . . . . .**

**Wind-cut groove (wind direction shown) . . . . .**

**Sand-covered area\* . . . . .**

**Small outcrop (map unit shown) . . . . .**

**Muskeg . . . . .**

**Drainage (permanent, intermittent) . . . . .**

**Township boundary . . . . .**

**\*Aerial photographic interpretation**

Approximate magnetic declination 25°39' East in 1984 decreasing approximately 4.4' annually for the Daly Lake map area.

**SCALE 1:31,680**

Miles 1 0 1 Miles  
Kilometres 1 0 1 Kilometres

**LOCATION MAP**

**KEY MAP**

## Geology of the Daly Lake District, Alberta

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