

Deposit Number	Material Description	Reserves (1000 m ³ Gravel)	Reserves (1000 m ³ Sand)	Additional Comments	Texture (% Gravel)	Texture (% Sand)	Texture (% Fines)	(%) Wear	Overburden Thickness (m)	Deposit Thickness (m)	Deposit Area (ha)	Deposit Genesis	Additional Comments
1	Clean sandy gravel	41,333	27,693	In operation many years but remains one of the main sources of high quality aggregate.	57	38	5	30	4	5	1260	Glaciofluvial in Killis Creek valley. Preglacial on adjacent uplands.	Glaciofluvial gravel contains Precambrian clasts. Preglacial does not.
2	Dirty gravelly sand	4,774	10,110	Thickness and continuity of deposit uncertain to east & north; variable overburden thickness; same horizon stripped at Calgary Power's Wabamun Lake coal mine.	30	63	7		5	5	298	Preglacial	Does not contain Precambrian clasts; locally high % gravel.
3	Clean gravelly sand	960	1,320	High quality aggregate.	40	55	5		3	4	60	Preglacial	
4	Clean sandy gravel	1,274	1,126	Naturally crushed gravel; deposit deformation makes extraction and delineation difficult.	51	45	4	26	1	4	68	Glacially thrust glaciofluvial and glacial gravel.	
5	Clean gravelly sand	660	907	Delineation uncertain; reserve figures could be considerably smaller than indicated.	40	55	5		0	2.5	66	Outwash	
6	Clean sand	48	893	Contains clean, coarse to medium grained sand.	5	93	2		0	4	24	Esker	
7	Dirty gravelly sand	48	60	Deformation of deposit and variable overburden thickness makes development difficult.	40	50	10		3	<1	8	Glacially thrust.	
8	Dirty gravelly sand	56	70	Aggregate occurs as pockets and lenses.	40	50	10		2	<1	35	Ice-contact	
9	Clean sand	2,203	8,280	Water table and overburden problems make development unlikely.	20	75	5		12	23	48	Fluvial	
10	Dirty sand	4,104	20,520	Water table and overburden problems make development unlikely.	15	75	10		15	18	152	Fluvial	Onoway Preglacial channel deposit acts as aquifer; development would affect groundwater flow.

Deposit Number — Granular deposits shown on this map may have commercial possibilities. This assumption followed from two criteria used in the mapping process: study of the area considered only granular deposits greater than one metre thick, and covering an area more than one hectare; and it only considered deposits where the mineral aggregate thickness was greater than the overburden thickness. Although the scale of mapping did not permit investigation of all small deposits, many small deposits containing existing pits are indicated.

Material Description — Sand and gravel has a variety of applications, such as concrete for construction, asphalt concrete, subbase and base course aggregate for roads, gravel and sand for road surfaces, and pit run for fill. Gradation, rock hardness, and binding characteristics, are some of the specific qualities that are considered in aggregate towards determining its end use. This map indicates these, and other, geological qualities of the sand and gravel within each deposit, but does not indicate their potential uses. The terms used in the table are defined in the figure below.

Reserves — The method of calculating in cubic metres the aggregate reserves of deposits took four basic steps. First, the area, in hectares, of each deposit was determined using aerial photographs. Second, geological interpretation, sometimes supported by subsurface information, was assumed in determining the geometry of each deposit; to estimate an overall, average deposit thickness in metres. Third, geological study and limited sample analyses determined the texture (gradation) of sediments in the deposit, and an overall average percentage of gravel and sand. Finally, the volume was calculated as follows: reserve gravel (m³) = area (ha) × thickness (m) × 10,000 × % gravel; the same formula was used for sand.

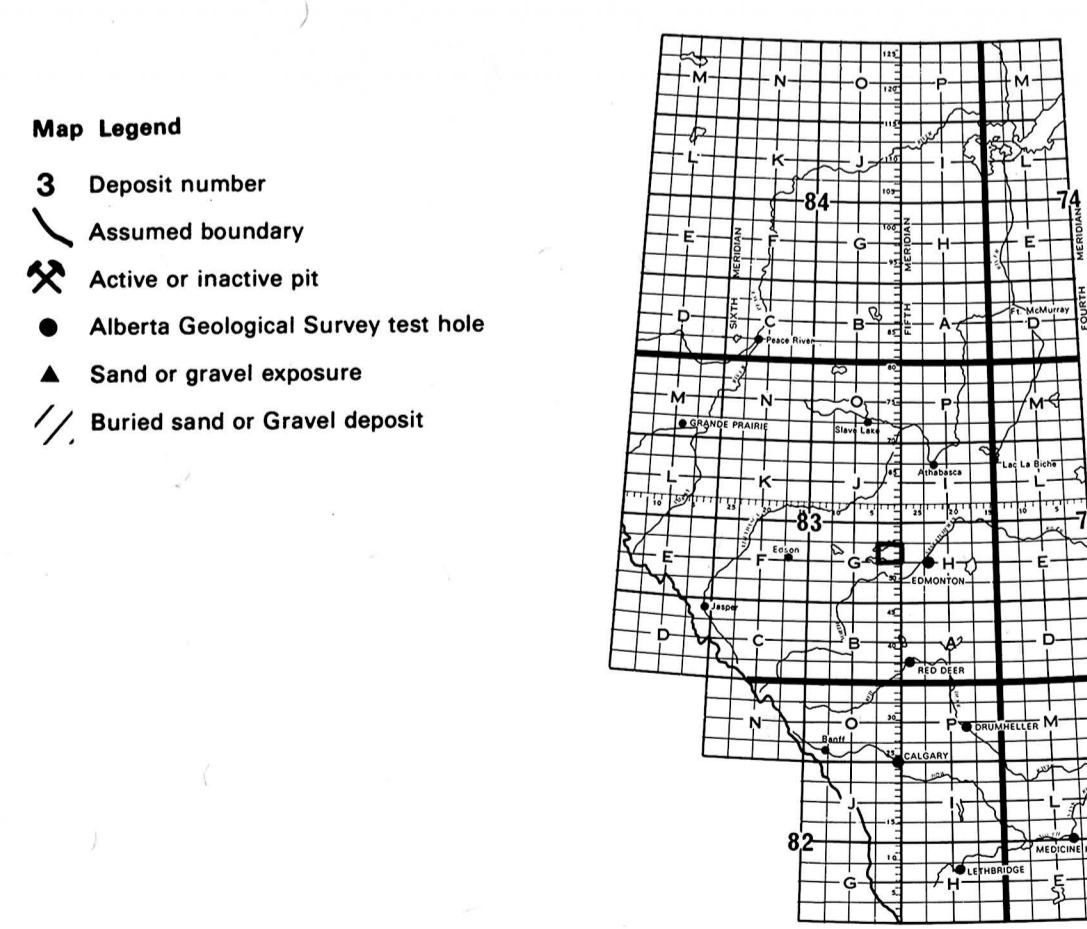
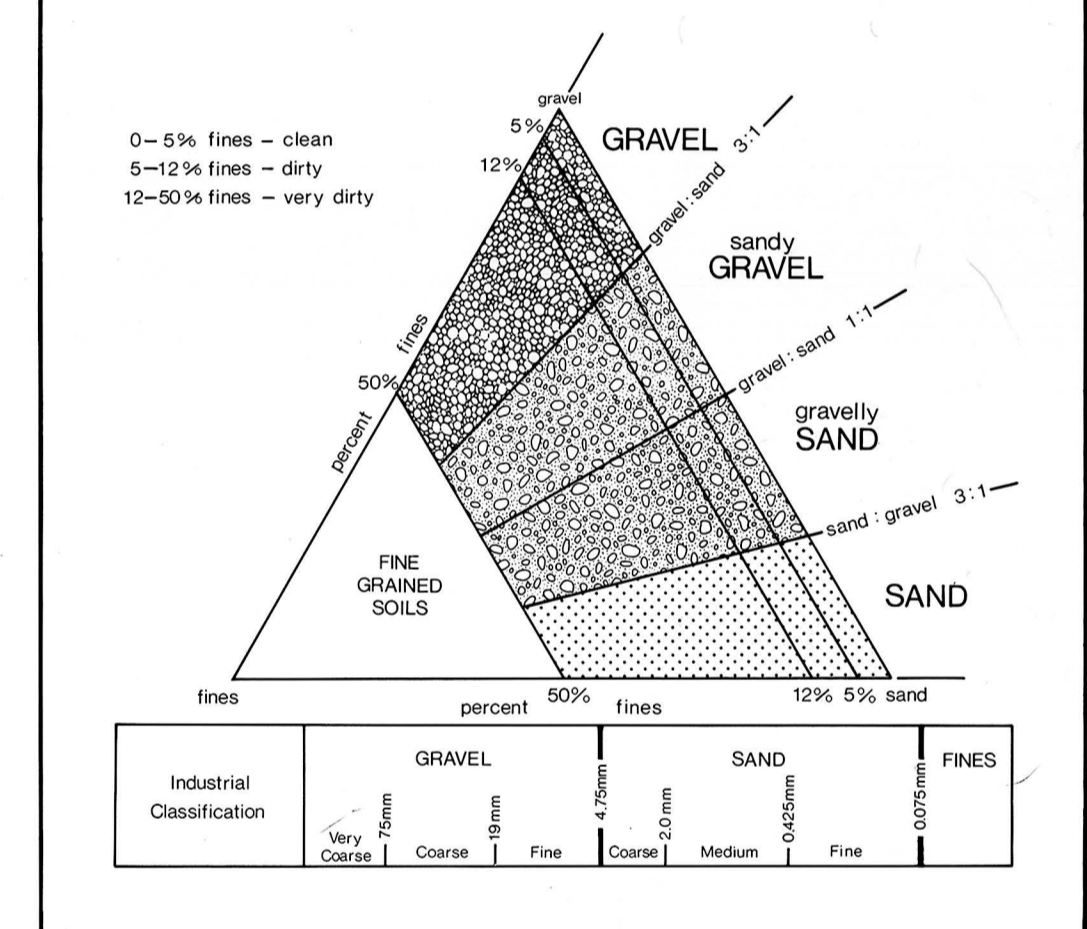
Texture — The texture of the sediment refers to the percentage of particles of various sizes. For mineral aggregate, the most important fractions are the gravel and sand. The actual dimensions of the clasts and particles in these fractions are given in the figure. The values given for a particular deposit were determined from a field estimate, or from laboratory analysis, of one or more samples from that deposit. Where more than one sample is taken the tabulated number is the mean value.

Wear — The resistance of gravel-size clasts to wear or abrasion can be measured in a laboratory test (ASTM-C131, Los Angeles Abrasion Testing). The amount of material that breaks down into smaller sizes is measured and related to the original sample weight in terms of percent wear. The higher the percentage wear the more susceptible the gravel is to breakdown under stress. Gravel with a percentage wear of less than 40 is considered very resistant.

Overburden Thickness — The thickness of non-economic material, or overburden, covering a deposit, sometimes is a limiting factor in the exploitation of an aggregate deposit. The tabulated values given are approximate overburden thicknesses as determined from geological investigations and subsurface testing.

Deposit Area — Deposits in this study were delineated by interpretation of aerial photographs and the contacts should be considered approximate. Information is precise only where test holes, or geological sections, are indicated.

Deposit Genesis — The genesis, or formation, of deposits is vital to the understanding of the gradational nature, extent and geometry of the deposit. This understanding forms the basis for extrapolation from a limited number of known points (test holes, pits, sections) and permits an overall assessment of the deposit.



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WEST OF FIFTH MERIDIAN - OUEST DU CINQUIÈME MÉRIDIEN

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Meters 1000 0 1000 2000 3000 4000 Metres
Yards 1000 0 1000 2000 3000 4000 Yards

CONTOUR INTERVAL 50 FEET
Elevations in Feet above Mean Sea Level
North American Datum 1927
Transverse Mercator Projection

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Échelle des courbes de niveau 50 PIEDS
Élévation en pieds au-dessus de niveau moyen de la mer
Système de coordonnées géographiques nord-américain, 1927
Projection transverse de Mercator