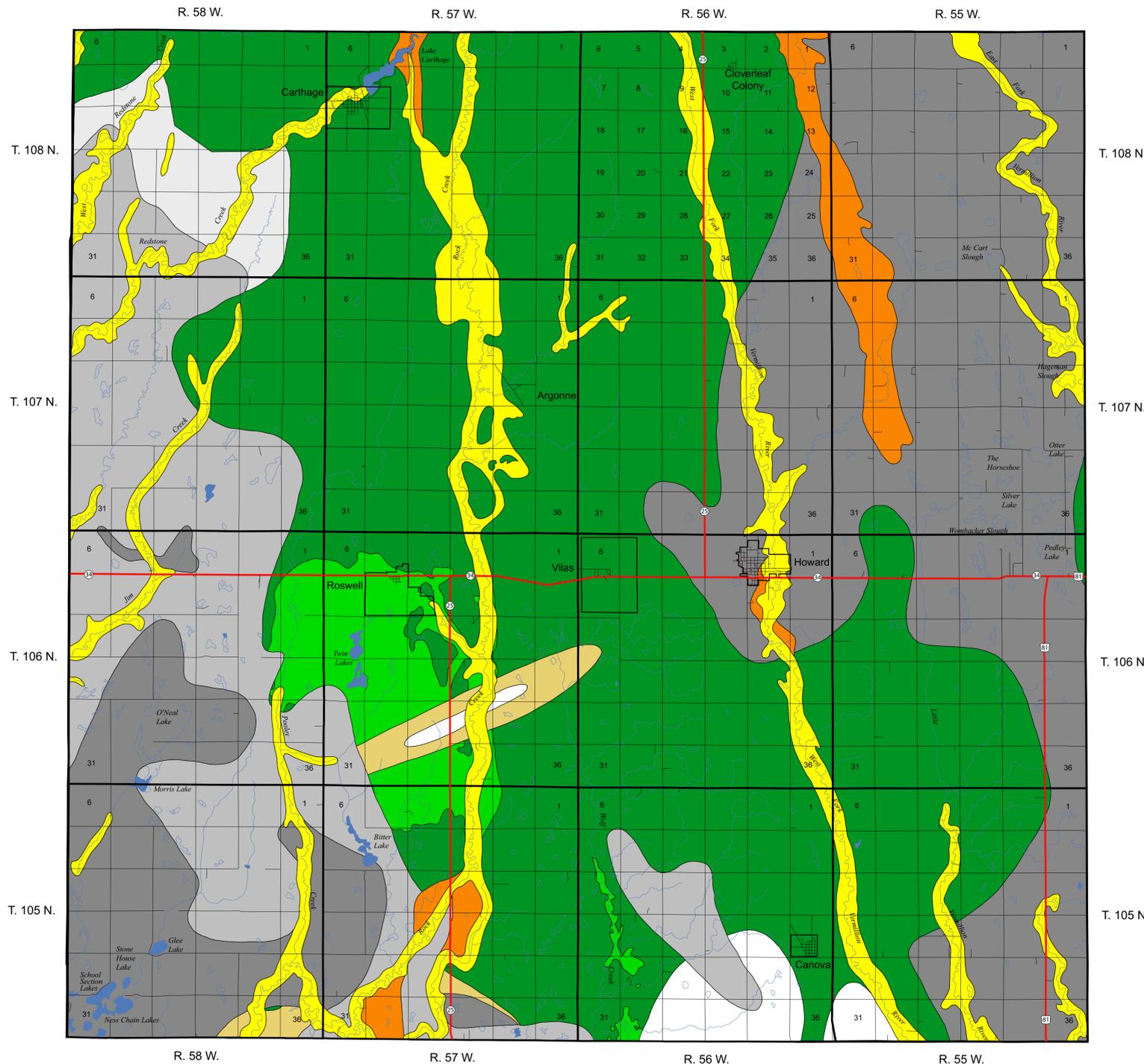


First Occurrence of Aquifer Materials in Miner County, South Dakota

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Explanation

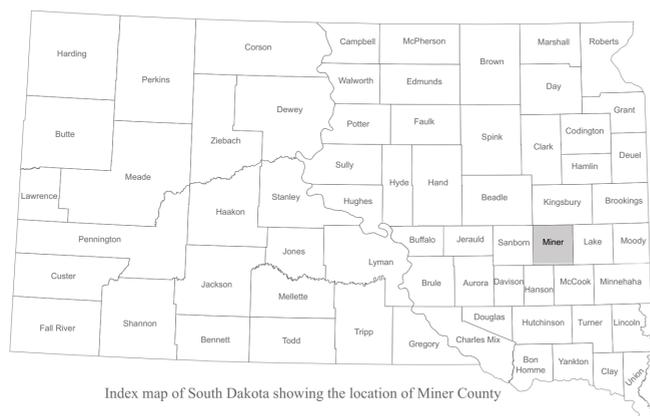
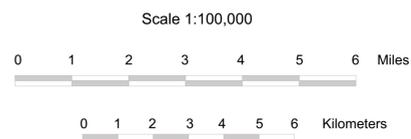
This map is intended for use as a tool to aid in identifying areas underlain by aquifer material. The aquifer materials shown on this map are categorized below. This map does not show individual aquifers. There may be more than one type of aquifer material present in an area. However, only the aquifer material that would be first encountered is shown. Within the boundaries of any given map unit, there may be localized areas where aquifer material is absent. The thickness and permeability of aquifer material may vary significantly. Also, no attempt was made to distinguish between saturated and unsaturated material. Therefore, not all of the areas defined on this map may be an aquifer. Site-specific information should always be examined when making land management or water development decisions.

- Alluvium:** Consists of clay and silt with minor amounts of sand and gravel; occurs at land surface
 - Sand and Gravel:** First occurrence is generally at land surface
 - Sand and Gravel:** First occurrence is generally below land surface. May not be uniform in depth and thickness and may be discontinuous in lateral extent.
- First occurrence is generally less than or equal to 50 feet below land surface
- Sand and Gravel:** May not be uniform in depth and thickness and may be discontinuous in lateral extent
 - Niobrara Formation:** Consists of a calcareous chalk
- First occurrence is generally greater than 50 feet and less than or equal to 100 feet below land surface
- Sand and Gravel:** May not be uniform in depth and thickness and may be discontinuous in lateral extent. Minor occurrences of aquifer material may be encountered less than 100 feet below land surface.
 - Niobrara Formation:** Consists of a calcareous chalk
 - Codell Sandstone Member of the Carlile Shale:** Consists of a fine- to medium-grained sandstone interbedded with Carlile Shale
- First occurrence is generally greater than 100 feet below land surface
- Area where mappable aquifer material has not been identified between the land surface and the Sioux Quartzite
- Major highway
 - Road
 - Township boundary
 - River or stream
 - Lake
 - Slough or intermittent lake

This map was developed from lithologic logs and published reports. The major sources of information were:

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- South Dakota Geological Survey, Lithologic logs database

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