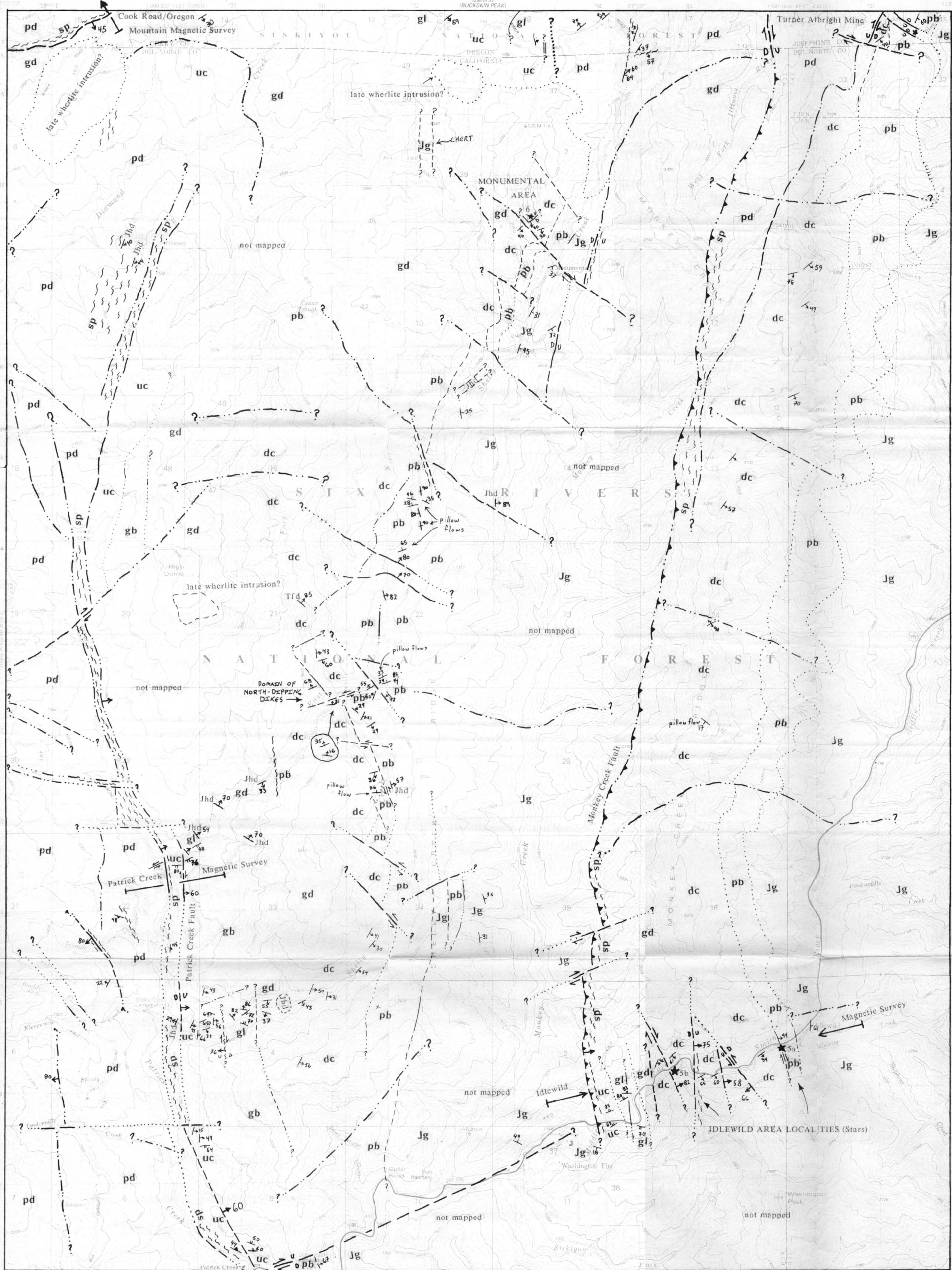


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SHELLY CREEK RIDGE QUADRANGLE  
CALIFORNIA-OREGON  
7.5 MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC)

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KEY FOR BEDROCK GEOLOGIC MAP

- Lithologic Descriptions**
- FELDSPAR-BEARING DIKES.** Light to dark gray to light pink, felsic (dacite) to intermediate (andesite), porphyritic dikes. Phenocrysts include alkali feldspar + hornblende ± biotite ± quartz. Dikes cross-cut all other features and are undeformed with only incipient low temperature alteration. Probable Tertiary age based on similarity to igneous rocks mapped and dated by Dick (1976, 1977), Ramp (1977) and Reich (1990) in southwest Oregon. These dikes occur most commonly in northern half of the map area.
  - HORNBLLENDE-BEARING DIKES.** Dark green to dark gray, intermediate, porphyritic dikes with abundant groundmass hornblende, plagioclase, and sulfides, and sparse to abundant hornblende phenocrysts. Acicular hornblende phenocrysts commonly show pronounced alignment within dikes. Metamorphosed to low grade and locally deformed. Commonly occur in highly sheared serpentinite shear zones. Hornblende <sup>40</sup>Ar/<sup>39</sup>Ar ages range from 155 to 150 Ma (Harper et al., in press).
  - GALICE FORMATION.** Basal hemipelagic argillites, green to black cherts, calcareous nodules, Fe-Mn-rich argillites, and black slates grade upward into interbedded graywacke and shale (flysch) turbidites with rare pebble conglomerate (Harper, 1980, 1984; Harper and Pinto-Auso, 1984). Basal fine-grained rocks conformably overlie pillow lavas of the Josephine ophiolite and have yielded radiolarian fauna of early to middle Oxfordian age (Harper et al., in press). Occurrence of *Buchia concentrica* in the flysch indicates a Late Oxfordian to Kimmeridgian age (Harper, 1980). These rocks have been metamorphosed to very low/low grade during the Nevadan Orogeny. Bedding is typically preserved and serves as a paleo-horizontal reference for the structural analyses.
  - EXTRUSIVE SEQUENCE.** Dark green to reddish (hematitic) pillow lava, and subordinate pillow breccia and massive flows, conformably overlain by heterolithic talus(?) deposits which consist of angular to sub-rounded clasts of basalt and diabase clasts and are interpreted as talus deposits formed at the base of fault scarps. Also locally interstratified with extrusive rocks are hemipelagic rocks, tufts (Harper, pers. comm.), and massive sulfide mounds (Kuhns and Burtis, 1987; Zierenberg et al., 1988). Subseafloor hydrothermal alteration is pervasive and locally overprinted by Nevadan regional metamorphism and deformation (Harper et al., 1988).
  - SHEETED DIKE COMPLEX.** Dark green to light green aphanitic to medium-grained, diabasic, mafic dikes. Chilled dike margins are commonly well-preserved. Dikes are predominantly sub-parallel but are locally cross-cut by younger dikes at a steeper dip. When dikes are restored to oceanic positions by rotating Galice sediments to horizontal, the orientation of dikes display a regionally consistent southward dip direction of 30-50°. Subseafloor hydrothermal alteration is pervasive and locally overprinted by Nevadan regional metamorphism and deformation (Harper et al., 1988, this study). Dike margins are commonly faulted and healed by epidote, prehnite, pumpellyite and/or quartz which indicate an oceanic origin.
  - GABBRO AND RELATED ROCKS.** Gb, undifferentiated medium-grained, hypidiomorphic granular gabbro, locally interlayered with ultramafic rocks, and commonly intruded by diabase dikes. Gd, high-level gabbro which is typically isotropic and cross-cut by numerous diabase dikes. Gl, layered gabbro distinguished by variations in modal mafic minerals and plagioclase, and display either a high-temperature deformation fabric or a cumulate texture. Ga, interlayered gabbroic and ultramafic rocks. Subseafloor hydrothermal alteration is highly variable, from incipient alteration to pervasive amphibolite facies overprints (Harper et al., 1988; Kimball, 1988; this study).
  - LAYERED ULTRAMAFIC ROCKS.** Medium- to coarse-grained, poikilolithic wherlites, clinopyroxenite, and dunite. Interstitial plagioclase is common. Serpentinization is common and occurs in a variety of textures, from static pseudomorphic replacements of olivine and orthopyroxene (i.e. meshwork fabrics) to extremely well-foliated mylonites. Kimball (1988) describes retrograde alteration ranging from granulite facies to greenschist facies conditions.
  - PERIDOTITE TECTONITE.** Predominantly medium- to coarse-grained harzburgite tectonite with subordinate dunite, lehrzoltite, and orthopyroxenite. Locally contains podiform chromite deposits associated with dunite, usually within the upper ~1 km of the upper mantle sequence (Norrell, 1990). Serpentinization is common, especially in and adjacent to fault zones. Dark green to black on fresh surface and yellow-brown or red-brown on weathered surface. Serpentinized peridotite weathers green, pale-green or white. Unusual serpentine mylonites of uncertain age commonly occur in the upper part of the peridotite (Norrell et al., 1989; Norrell and Harper, 1988; Norrell, 1990). Age of serpentinization ranges from oceanic (162 Ma) to contemporary (Kimball, 1988; Coulton, in prep.).
  - SHEARED SERPENTINITE.** Extremely well-foliated serpentinite which commonly contains porphyroblasts of ultramafic rocks, gabbro, diabase, rodingite dikes, and hornblende dikes ranging in size from centimeters to ten's of meters. Foliations are typically sub-parallel to shear zone boundaries. These shear zones probably range in age from oceanic(?) (Norrell et al., 1989; Norrell, 1990; Coulton, in prep.) to Nevadan(?) (Harper, 1980; 1984; 1989), and perhaps younger. Serpentine fabrics are locally cross-cut by undeformed rodingite dikes (162 Ma), hornblende dikes (155-150 Ma), and feldspar dikes (Cretaceous/Tertiary?), suggesting a protracted history of serpentinization and deformation.

MAP SYMBOLS

- Lithologic Contact:** solid where exposed, dashed where approximate, and dotted where inferred.
- Fault:** solid where exposed, dashed where approximate, and dotted where inferred. Tick mark and number indicates dip direction and magnitude. Arrow indicates slip line azimuth and number indicates plunge. Sense of shear indicated by U (up) and D (down) or arrows.
- Thrust Fault:** solid where exposed, dashed where approximate, and dotted where inferred. Barbs are on upthrown block.
- Bedding:** strike and dip of bedding
- Cleavage:** strike and dip of cleavage
- Shear Foliation:** strike and dip of foliation in shear zones
- Dikes:** strike and dip of ophiolite dike margins. Jhd = Jurassic hornblende-bearing dikes. KTFd = Cretaceous/Tertiary(?) feldspar-bearing dikes
- Igneous Layering:** strike and dip of igneous layering related to accumulation and/or high temperature plastic deformation.
- Air Photo Linement:** sharp lineaments interpreted as faults.

OTHER SOURCES FOR BEDROCK GEOLOGY ON MAP

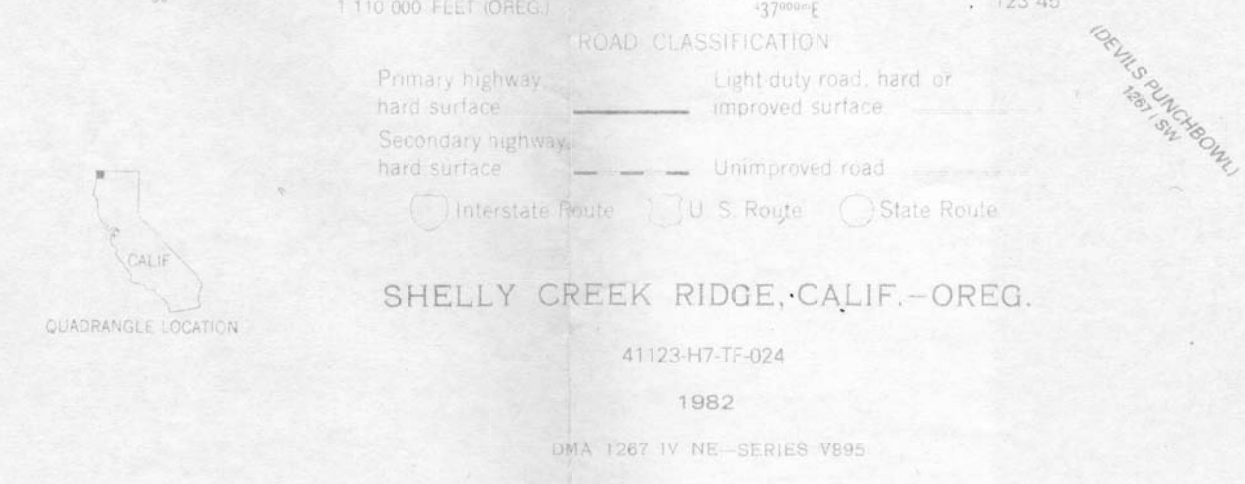
- 1) Harper (1982, 1984)
- 2) Harper (unpublished mapping 1978 - 1990)
- 3) Vail (1977) [northern 1/3 of map]

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SCALE 1:24 000  
CONTOUR INTERVAL 50 FEET  
NATIONAL GEODETIC VERTICAL DATUM OF 1929

ROAD CLASSIFICATION  
Primary highway, hard surface  
Secondary highway, hard surface  
Unimproved road  
Interstate Route  
U. S. Route  
State Route

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135-150 Ma  
Early Late Jurassic  
Upper Jurassic Josephine Ophiolite 162-150 Ma