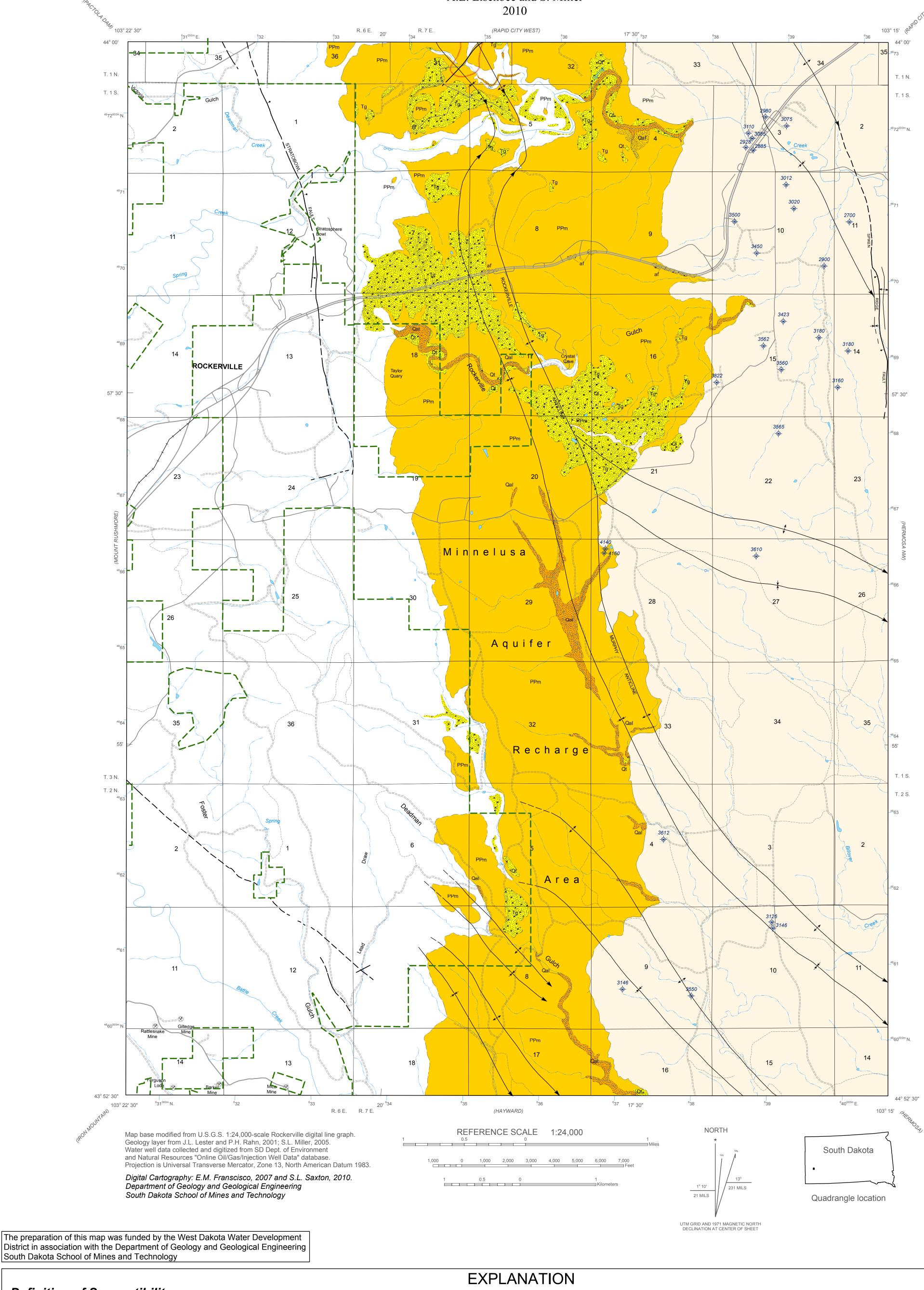
WEST DAKOTA Aquifer Susceptibility Map of the Minnelusa Formation, Rockerville Quadrangle Development District A.L. Lisenbee and S. Miller 2010





Definition of Susceptibility Aquifer susceptibility is the inherent ability of a formation to accept and transmit liquids (potentially including contaminants). Susceptibility Ranges for Hydrogeologic Units Hydrogeologic Units Minnelusa Recharge Area Terrace (Gravel/Sand/Clay) Deposits over Minnelusa aquifer Alluvium over Minnelusa aquifer

Summary of ratings associated with the Minnelusa aquifer. Number falling within the range area indicates the qualitative rating for aquifer susceptibility (adapted from Hargrave, 2005).

Susceptibility Ratings Explanation: The susceptibility range is the sum of ratings for susceptibility parameters of the aquifer. The parameters used for the Minnelusa aquifer are rock type, overlying material, joints, minor karst, breccia and minor faults affecting the hydrogeologic units of the Minnelusa Fm.

The ratings for these parameters are: Rock Type; 5-8 for sandstone; Overlying Material; 5-10 for alluvium and negative 5-10 for gravel, sand and clay mixture; Joints; 5-7; Minor Karst; 5-8; Breccia; 5-7 and; Minor Faults; 4-6.

The ratings suggested for the parameters are from Aller et al. (1987) and Davis et al., (1994.)

	Contact Solid where location certain; dashed where approximately located.
<u> </u>	Fault Solid where location certain; dashed where approximately located; queried where uncertain. Bar and ball on downthrown side.
~	Anticline Showing crestline and direction of plunge. Solid where location certain; dashed where approximately located.
←	Syncline Showing troughline and direction of plunge. Solid where location certain; dashed where

approximately located.

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Axis located on steepest part of structure. Solid where location certain; dashed where

Monocline - Synclinal bend Axis located on steepest part of structure.

Solid where location certain; dashed where

Monocline - Anticlinal bend

Pennsylvanian

Quaternary

Quaternary

Geologic Units - Color indicates degree of susceptibility; see chart to left. Floodplain Surficial Deposits
Susceptibility rating ranges between 30 to 46 where alluvium (Qal) overlies the Minnelusa Formation; also includes artificial fill (af).

Other Surficial Deposits

Susceptibility rating ranges between 15 to 32 where alluvial fan (Qaf), terrace deposits (Qt, Tg), and landslide blocks (Ql) overly the Minnelusa Formation. Minnelusa Formation

Susceptibility rating ranges between 25 to 37. No distinction was made between the upper sandstone and the lower sandstone beds of the formation. **Minnelusa Formation Absent**

Minnelusa Formation Present in Subsurface