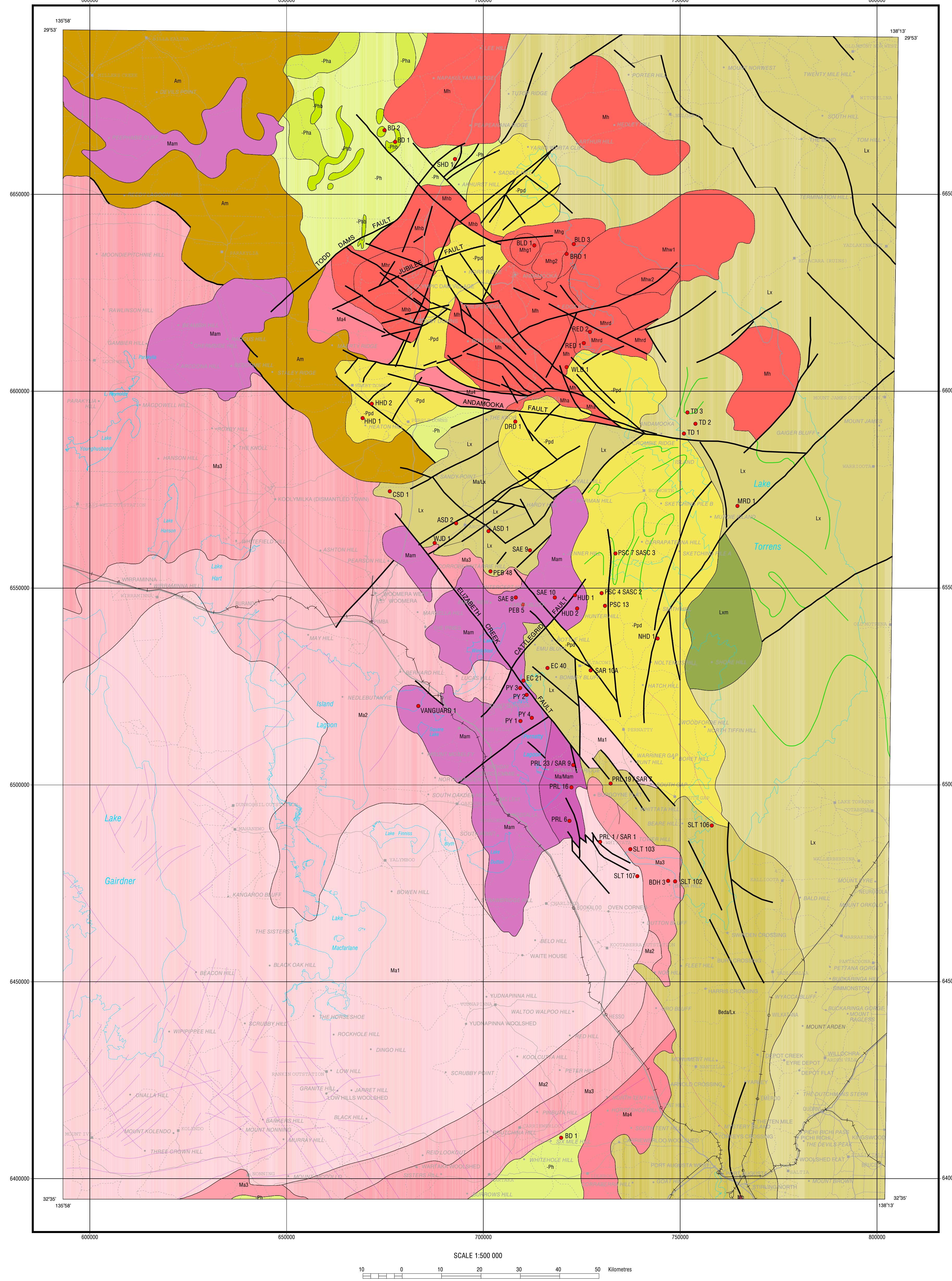


GEOPHYSICAL INTERPRETATION of the CENTRAL OLYMPIC Cu - Au PROVINCE



Legend of Basement* Geology Units

- Mh: Hite Suite, undifferentiated
- Mbh: Bungy Batholith
- Mrd: Red Dam Pluton
- Mtr: Rathy Down Granite
- Mbg: Billabook Gabbro / Aorthosite, undifferentiated
- Mhg: Billabook Gabbro (reversely magnetised)
- Mhg1: Billabook Gabbro (undifferentiated)
- Mhg2: Billabook Gabbro (strongly magnetised)
- Mha: Arcane Pluton (Gow, 1996)
- Mhw1: West Wall Batholith (low amplitude)
- Mhw2: West Wall Batholith (Gow 1996), high amplitude
- Mm1: Yante Dacite, equivalent
- Mm2: Eucaro Dacite, Yante Rhodocrite and equivalents
- Mm3: Norring Rhodocrite, Burburn Dacite and equivalents
- Mm4: Lower Gawler Range Volcanics, undifferentiated (Yante Rhodocrite equivalent)

* Basement geology units underlie the Pandura Formation, minimum age -1420 Ma, maximum age -1590 Ma.

The Central Olympic Cu-Au Province data is also available from Geoscience Australia as an Online GIS http://www.ga.gov.au/natural/projects/gaw_magis.html

EXPLANATORY COMMENTS

The Central Olympic Cu-Au province of the eastern Gawler Craton, lies beneath the Neoproterozoic and young sedimentary sequences of the Stuart Shelf. Hite Suite granites and the Gawler Range Volcanics were emplaced at about 1590 Ma. Older rocks are Late Archaean metamorphic complexes, and the Palaeoproterozoic Diamantina Suite. Much of the province is covered by Quaternary alluvium.

Except for parts of the Gawler Range Volcanics, none of the basement crops out and is covered by sequences extending, in places, 3 km thickness. Interpretation of units and structures was based on gravity and aeromagnetic data. Geological calibration was done by checking exploration drill logs and by examining VMS cores. No VMS cores was examined, petrography properties were measured and used to constrain the interpretation.

Interpretation and digitisation were completed at 1:250 000 scale for presentation at 1:500 000 scale. The geological descriptions are informal and are derived from GSA's Strategic National Database which are informal and are derived from Gow (1996). Geological evolution of the Stuart Shelf and Proterozoic iron-oxide associated mineralization: Insights from regional geophysical data, unpublished PhD thesis, Monash University.

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