

Buckboard to iPad: A Tribute to South Mountain Mappers and Their Methods

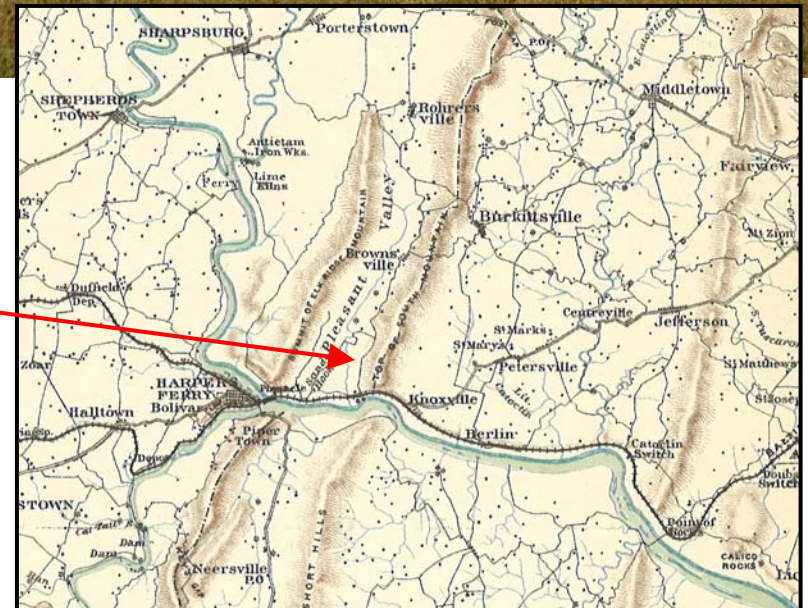
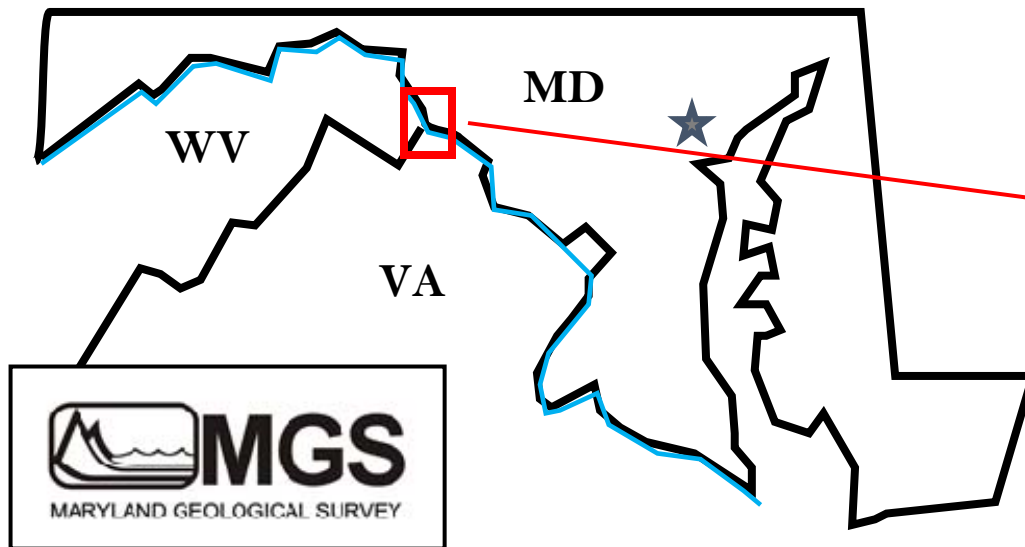
Potomac River



Crampton's Gap



Fox's Gap



South Mountain Mapping:

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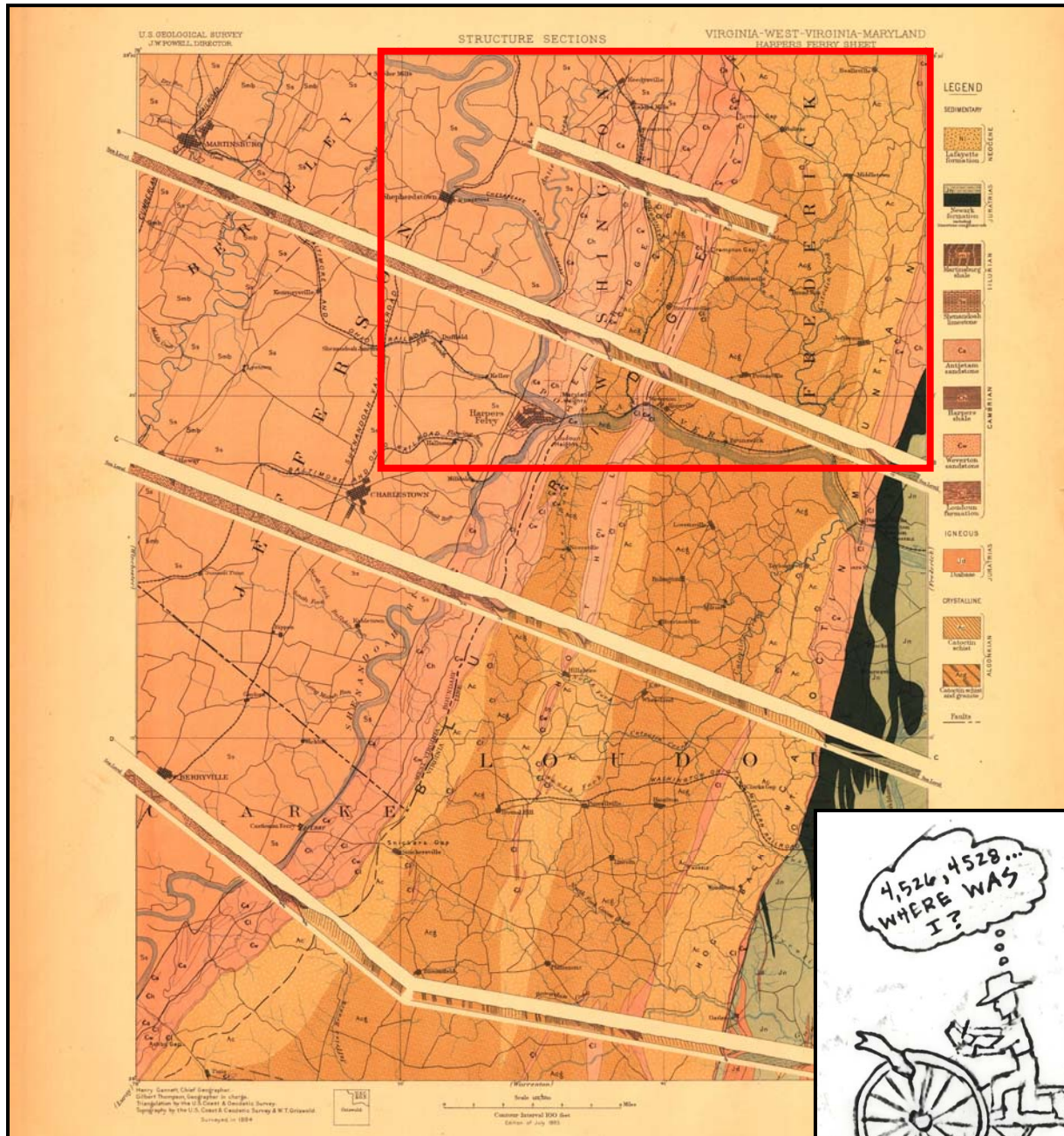
1938 - Frederick County Map, Jonas and Stose

1941 - Washington County Map, Cloos

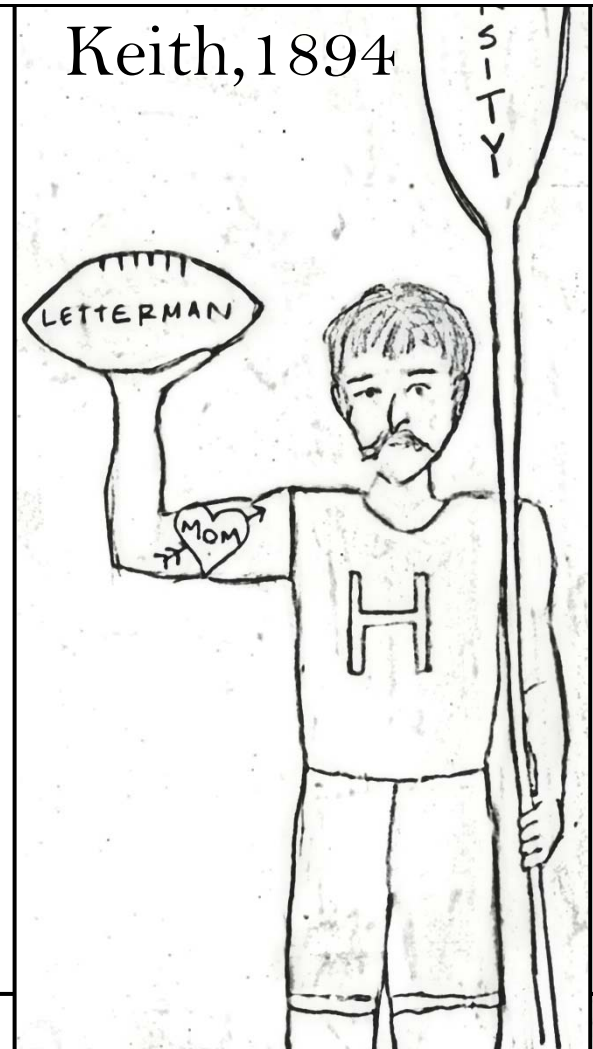
1996 - Harpers Ferry Quad, Southworth and Brezinski

2015 - Digital Mapping, Kavage Adams

HARPERS FERRY FOLIO - USGS

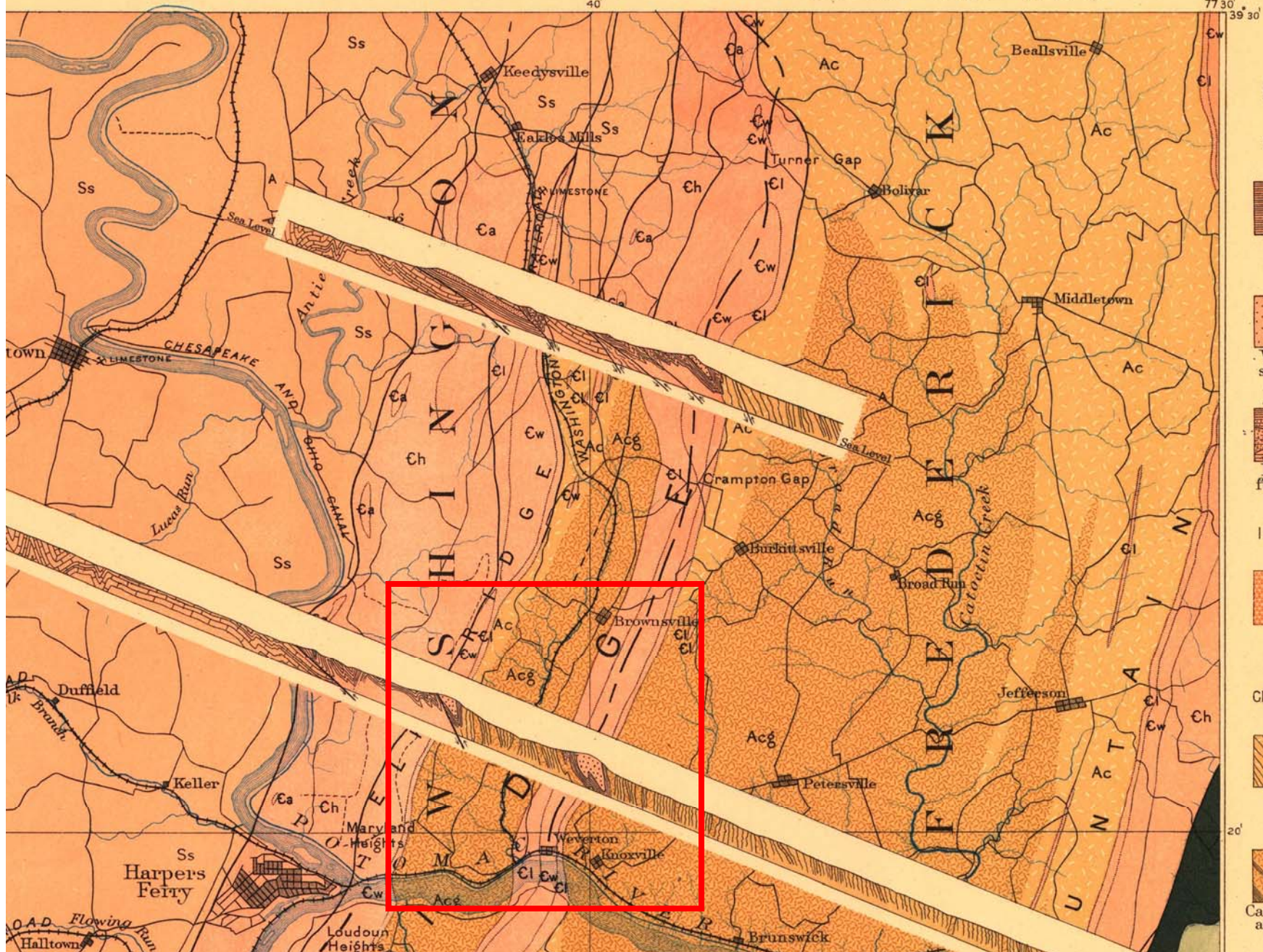

$$1:125,000 \approx 1000 \text{ mi}^2$$

Keith, 1894



STRUCTURE SECTIONS

VIRGINIA-WEST-VIRGINIA-MARYLAND HARPERS FERRY SHEET



LEGEND

SEDIMENTARY

- Ch
Harpers shale
- Ew
Weverton sandstone
- Cl
Loudoun formation

IGNEOUS

- Jd
Diabase

CRYSTALLINE

- Ac
Catocin schist
- Acg
Catocin schist and granite

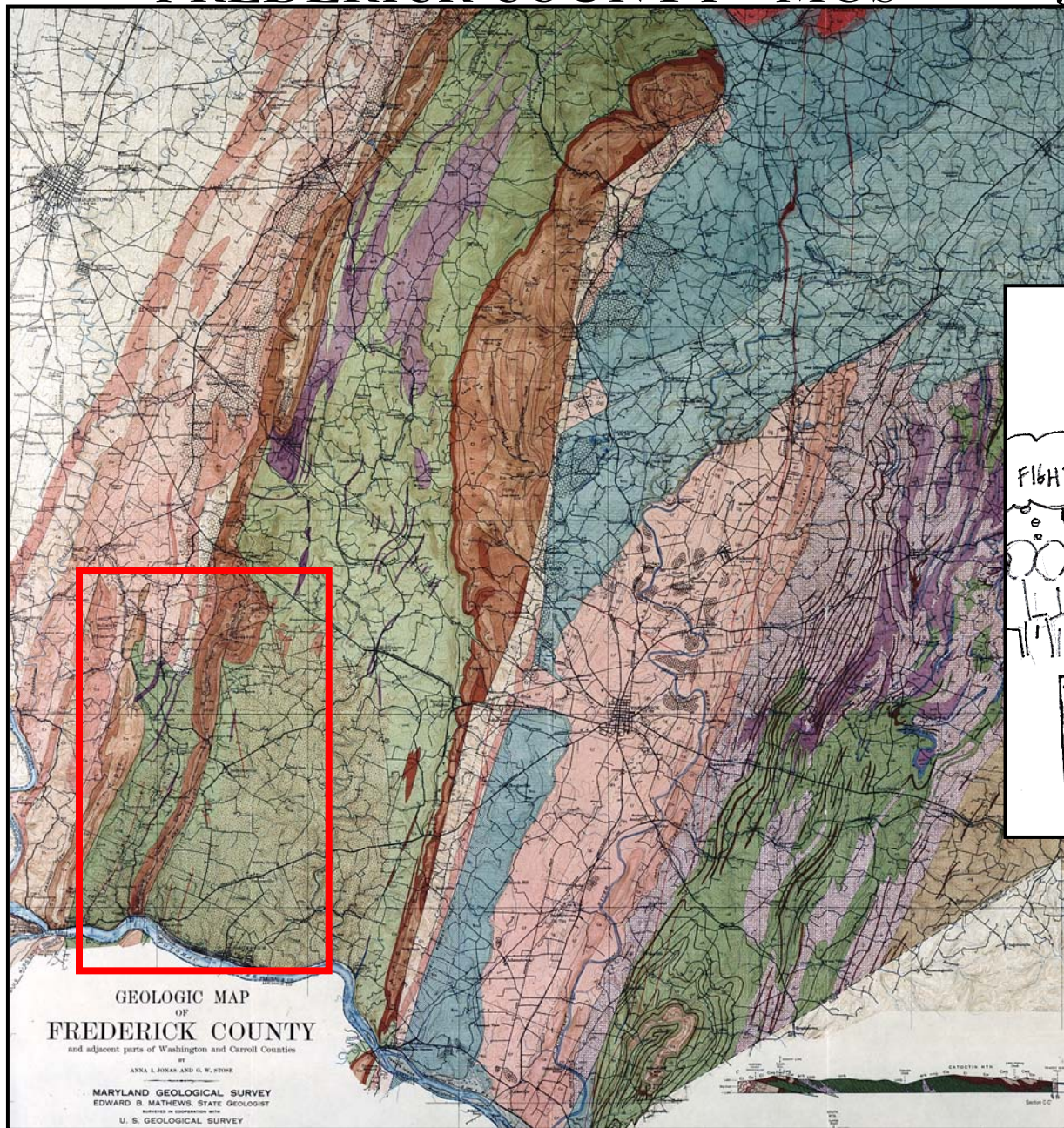
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FREDERICK COUNTY - MGS

Jonas and Stose, 1938



1:62,500 \approx 700 mi²



FREDERICK COUNTY REPORT

Stose and Stose, 1946

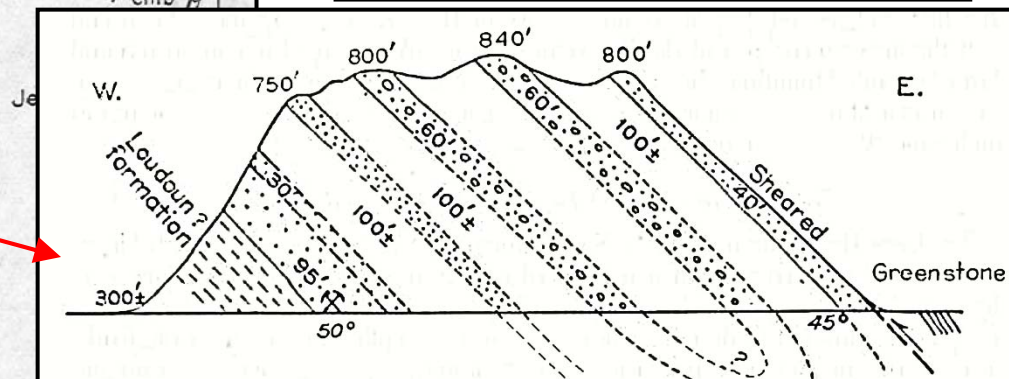
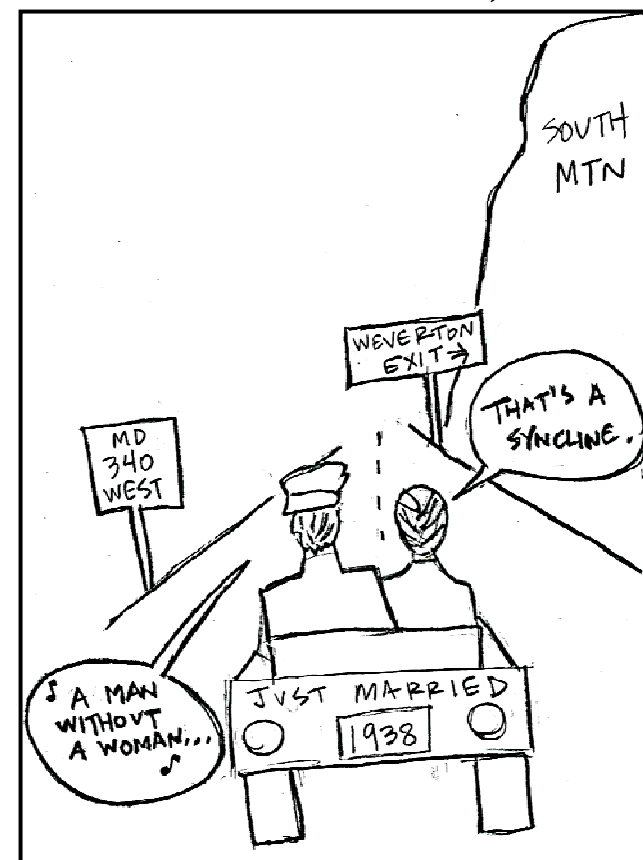
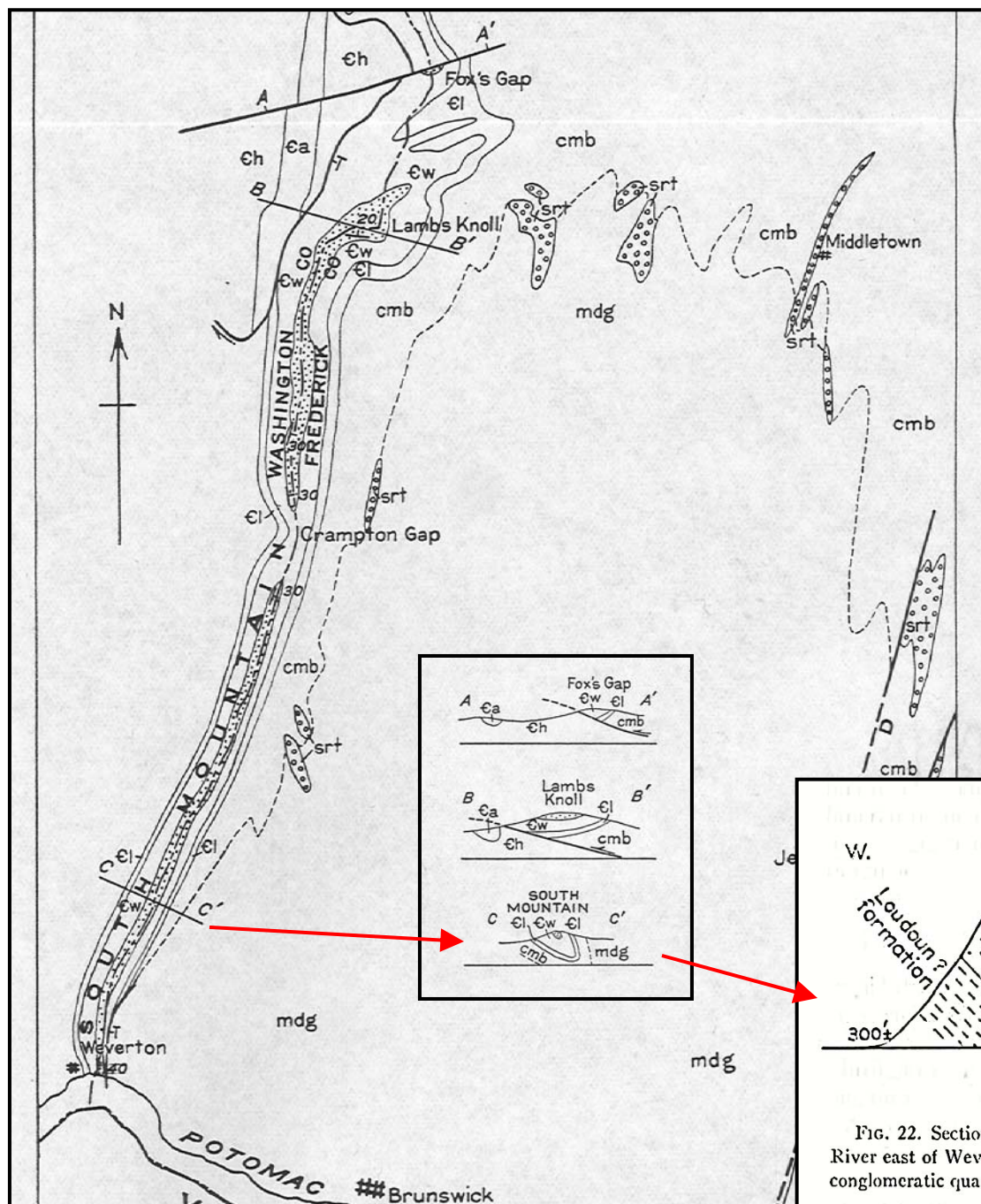
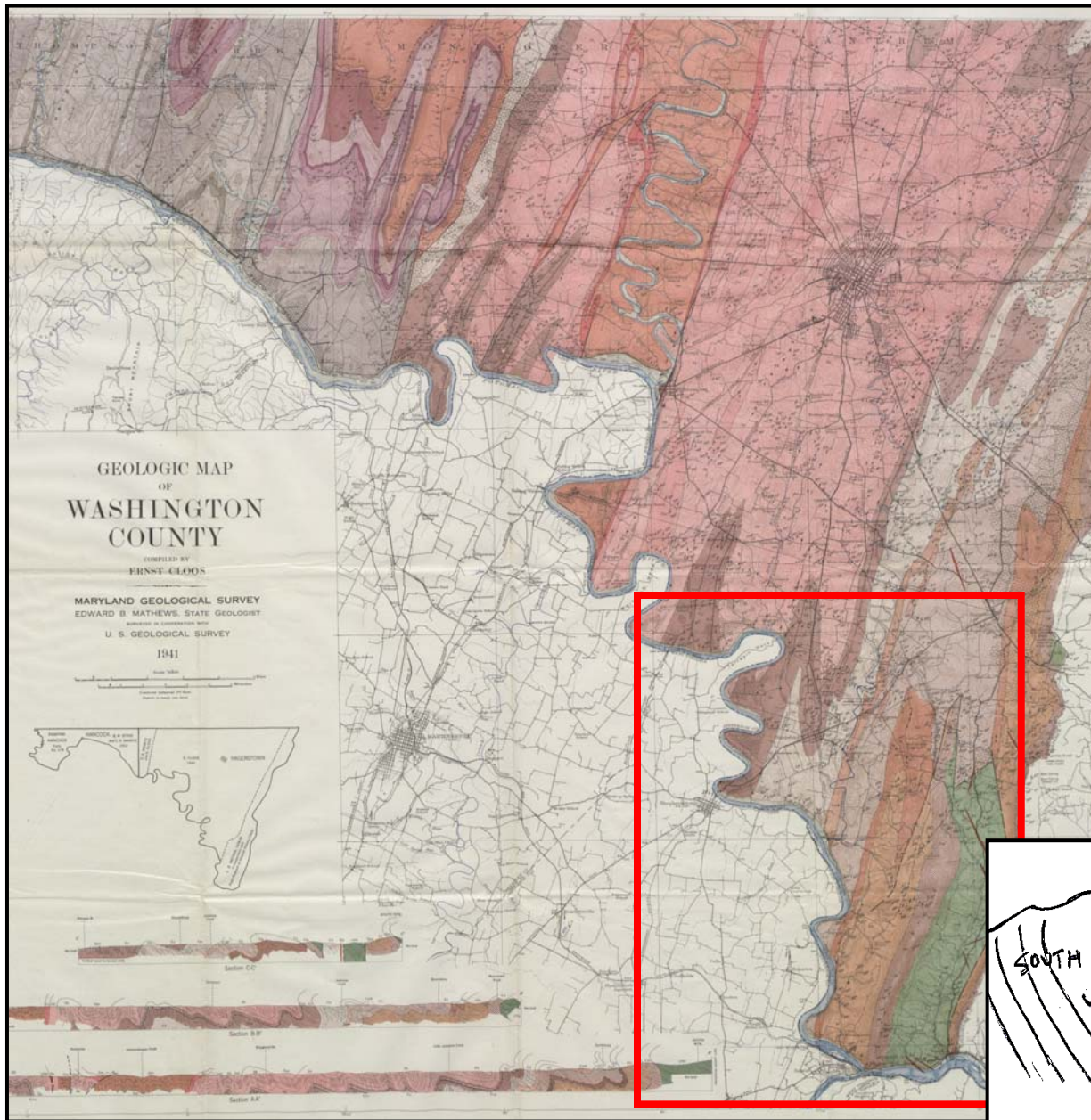


FIG. 22. Section of Weverton quartzite in South Mountain in bluff on north side of Potomac River east of Weverton. The structure is interpreted as an overturned isoclinal syncline enclosing conglomeratic quartzite of the upper part of the Weverton in the center of the fold.

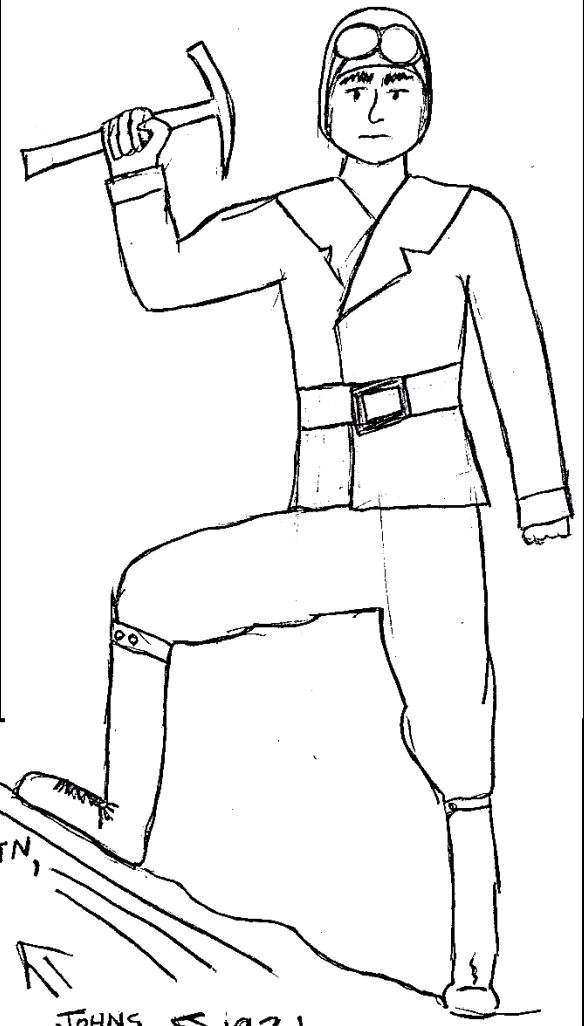
WASHINGTON COUNTY - MGS

Cloos, 1941



1:62,500 \approx 500 mi²

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ANY LONGER. I WANT AN
EXISTANCE WHERE I CAN
MOVE AROUND FREELY...
I WANT TO BE A GEOLOGIST!

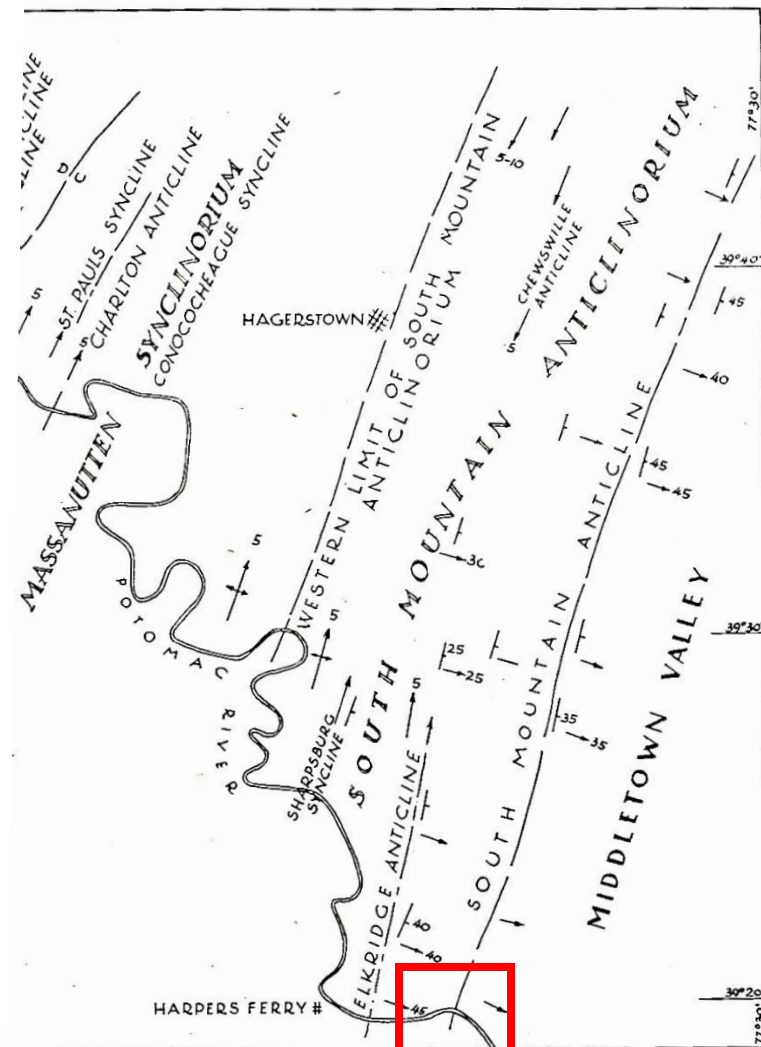


SOUTH MTN,
USA

JOHNS HOPKINS \leftarrow 1931 \leftarrow GERMANY

WASHINGTON COUNTY REPORT

Cloos, 1951



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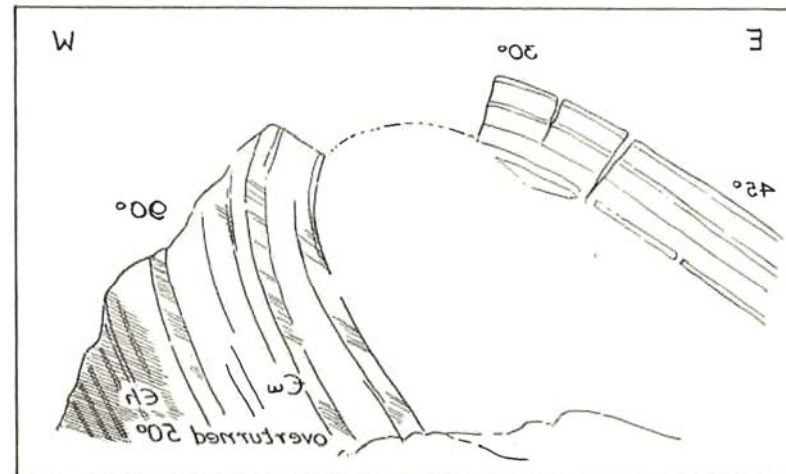


FIGURE 10. South Mountain Anticline Viewed from U. S. 340 across Potomac River. Distance from limb to limb at base approximately 2,000 feet. Top limb almost a dip slope, west limb overturned, cleavage gentler than bedding, both dip east (see also Figure 23).

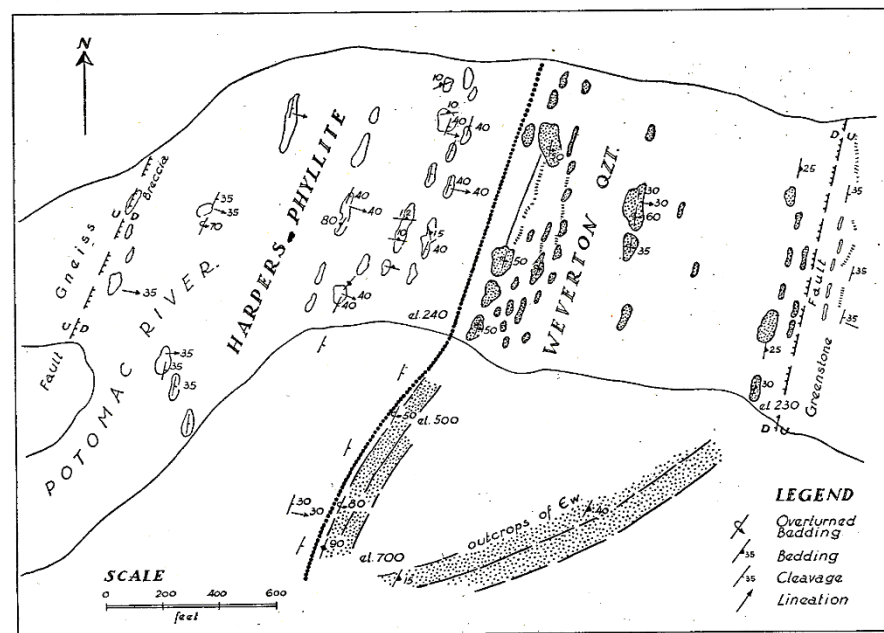
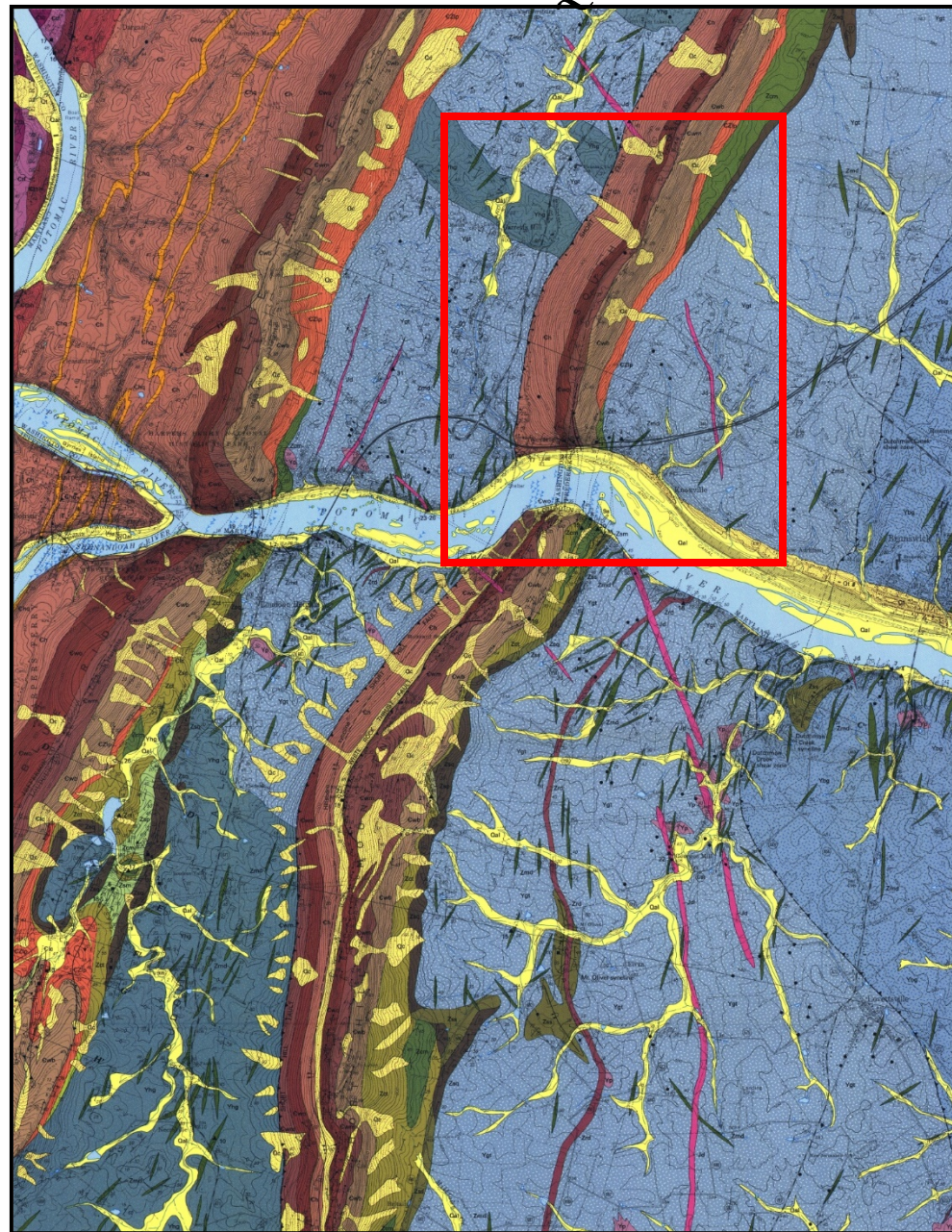


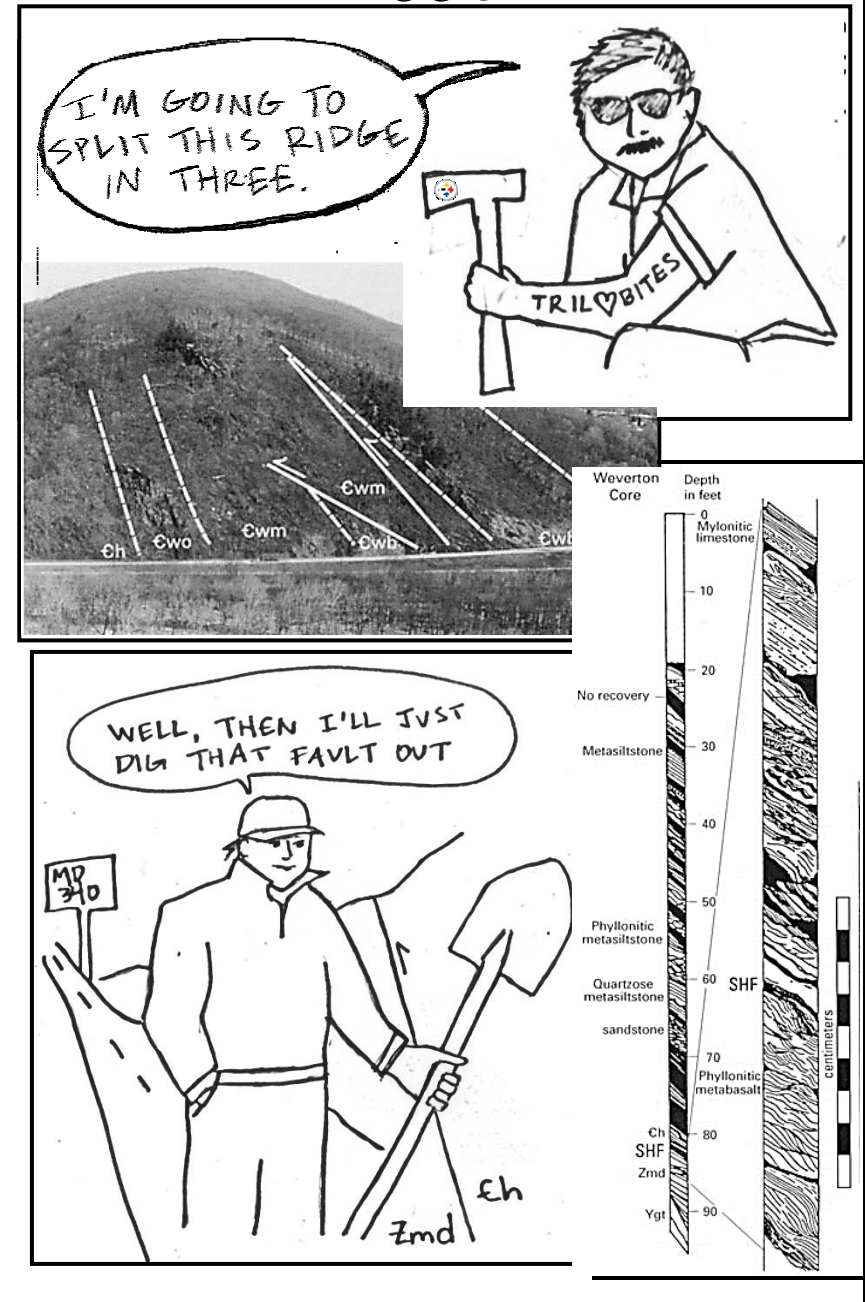
FIGURE 21. Plane Table Map of Potomac River Gorge at Weverton. Difference in elevation on south side is 470 feet (compare Fig. 10).

HARPERS FERRY QUAD - USGS



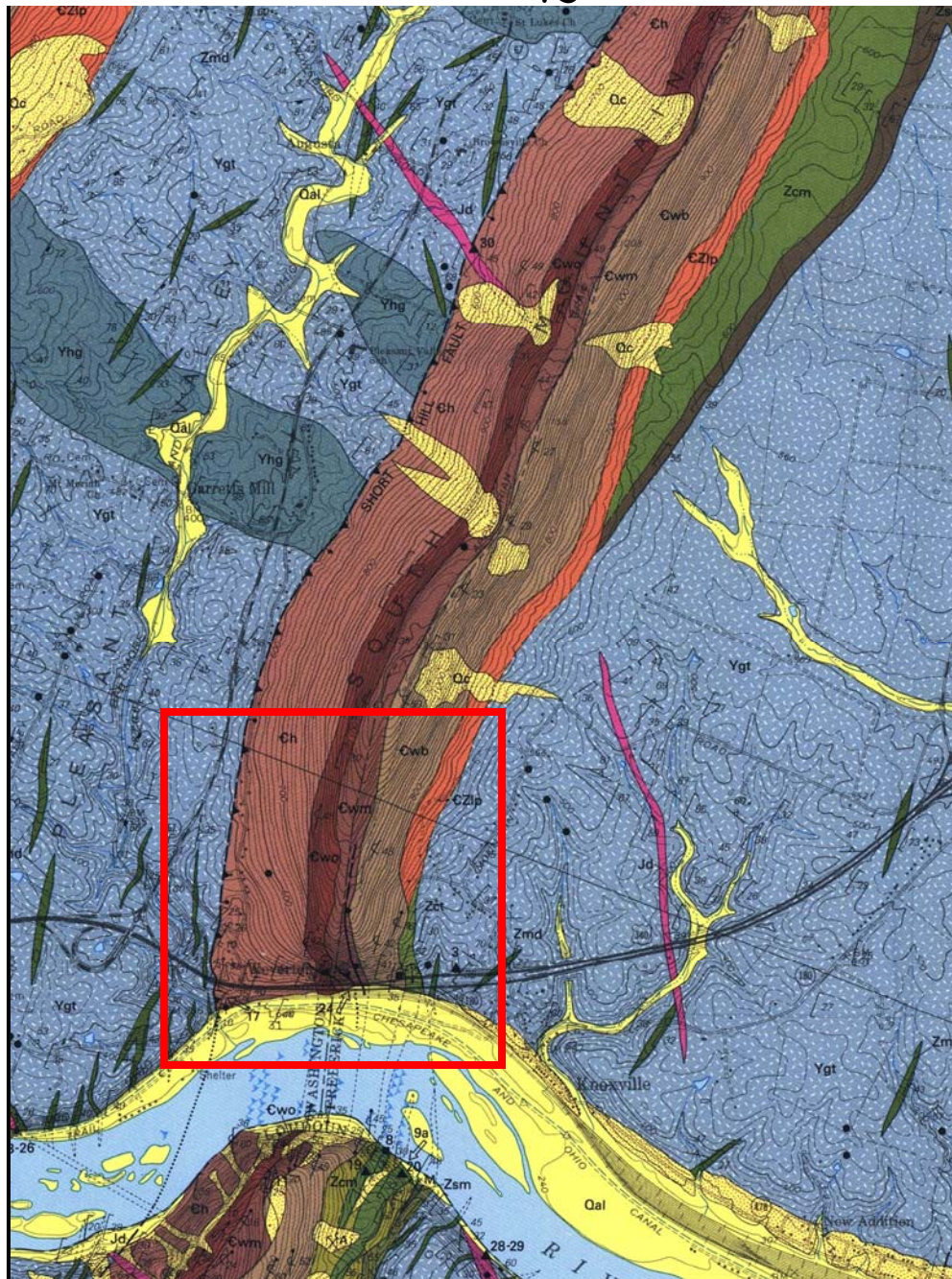
1:24,000 \approx 50 mi²

Southworth and Brezinski, 1996



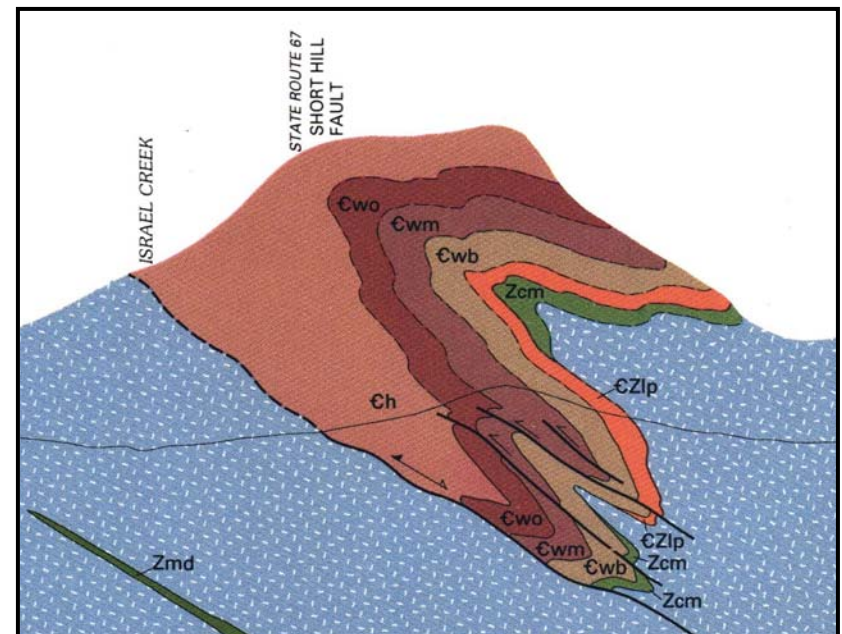
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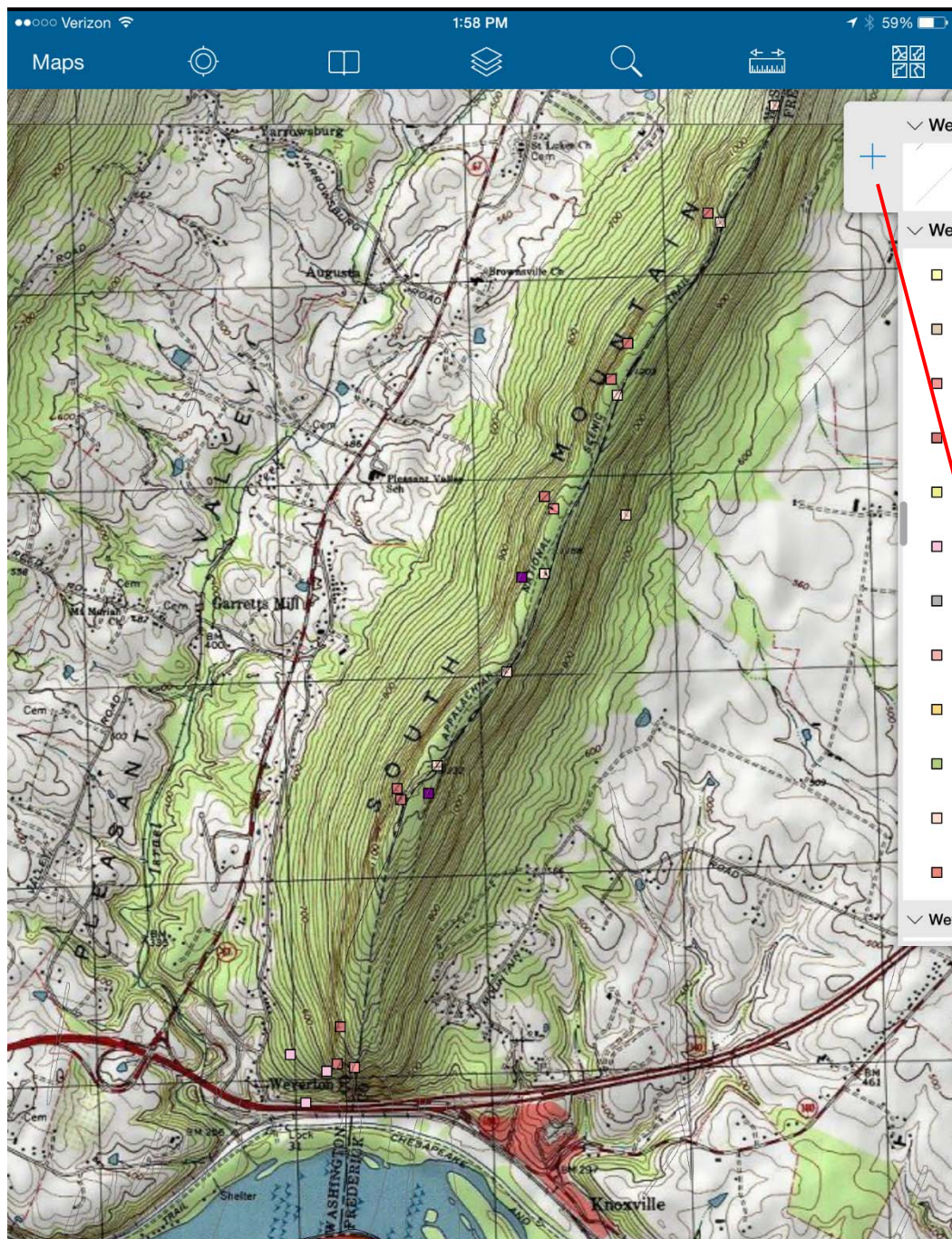


Weverton Formation (Lower Cambrian) (Keith, 1894; King, 1950)

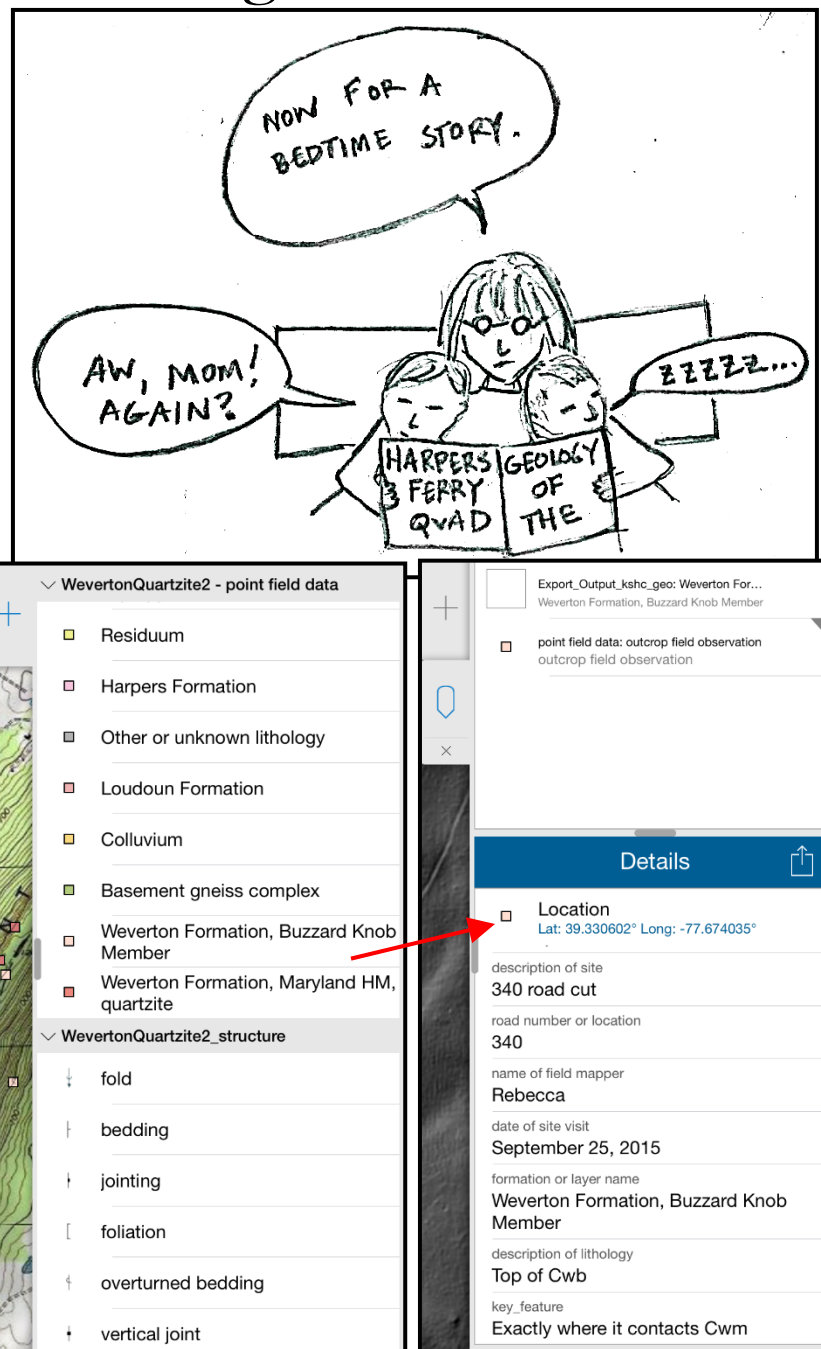
- Cwo** Owens Creek Member (Brezinski, 1992)—Dusky-blue (5PB 3/2) to dark-gray (N3) quartz-pebble conglomerate and greenish-gray (5G 6/1) quartz-pebble conglomeratic quartzite, metasiltstone, and interbedded quartzite. Poorly sorted, medium to thick bedded, graded, and cross-bedded. Contains local accumulations of magnetite, heavy minerals, red jasper, red quartz, and phyllite clasts. Pebbles commonly are 0.4 in. in diameter. Top of unit is a sharp contact occurring at top of quartz-pebble conglomeratic quartzite; bottom of unit is gradational with the metasiltstone of the Maryland Heights Member. Thickness is 105 ft on Short Hill-South Mountain and 90 to 150 ft on Blue Ridge-Elk Ridge
- Cwm** Maryland Heights Member (Brezinski, 1992)—Interbedded, dark-greenish-gray (5GY 4/1) metasiltstone and dusky-blue (5PB 3/2) to greenish-gray (5G 6/1), very coarse grained to granular quartzite. Quartzite beds vary from 16 to 32 ft in thickness. Total thickness ranges from 160 to 480 ft
- Cwb** Buzzard Knob Member (Brezinski, 1992)—Light-gray (N7) to medium-light-gray (N6), medium- to fine-grained, well-sorted, graded, and crossbedded quartzite. Massive to thick bedded at base and top. Middle part is thin bedded and contains light-gray (N7) phyllitic metagraywacke and metasiltstone. Lower part is locally arkosic and overlies conglomerate and phyllite of the Loudoun Formation, metabasalt of the Catoclin Formation, or locally, hornblende gneiss. Total thickness ranges from 130 to 160 ft



MGS DIGITAL MAPPING



Kavage Adams, 2015



- ✓ WevertonQuartzite2 - point field data
 - Residuum
 - Harpers Formation
 - Other or unknown lithology
 - Loudoun Formation
 - Colluvium
 - Basement gneiss complex
 - Weverton Formation, Buzzard Knob Member
 - Weverton Formation, Maryland HM, quartzite
- ✓ WevertonQuartzite2_structure
 - ↑ fold
 - ↑ bedding
 - ↑ jointing
 - [foliation
 - ↑ overturned bedding
 - ↑ vertical joint

Export_Output_kshc_geo: Weverton For...
Weverton Formation, Buzzard Knob Member

point field data: outcrop field observation
outcrop field observation

Details

Location
Lat: 39.330602° Long: -77.674035°

description of site
340 road cut

road number or location
340

name of field mapper
Rebecca

date of site visit
September 25, 2015

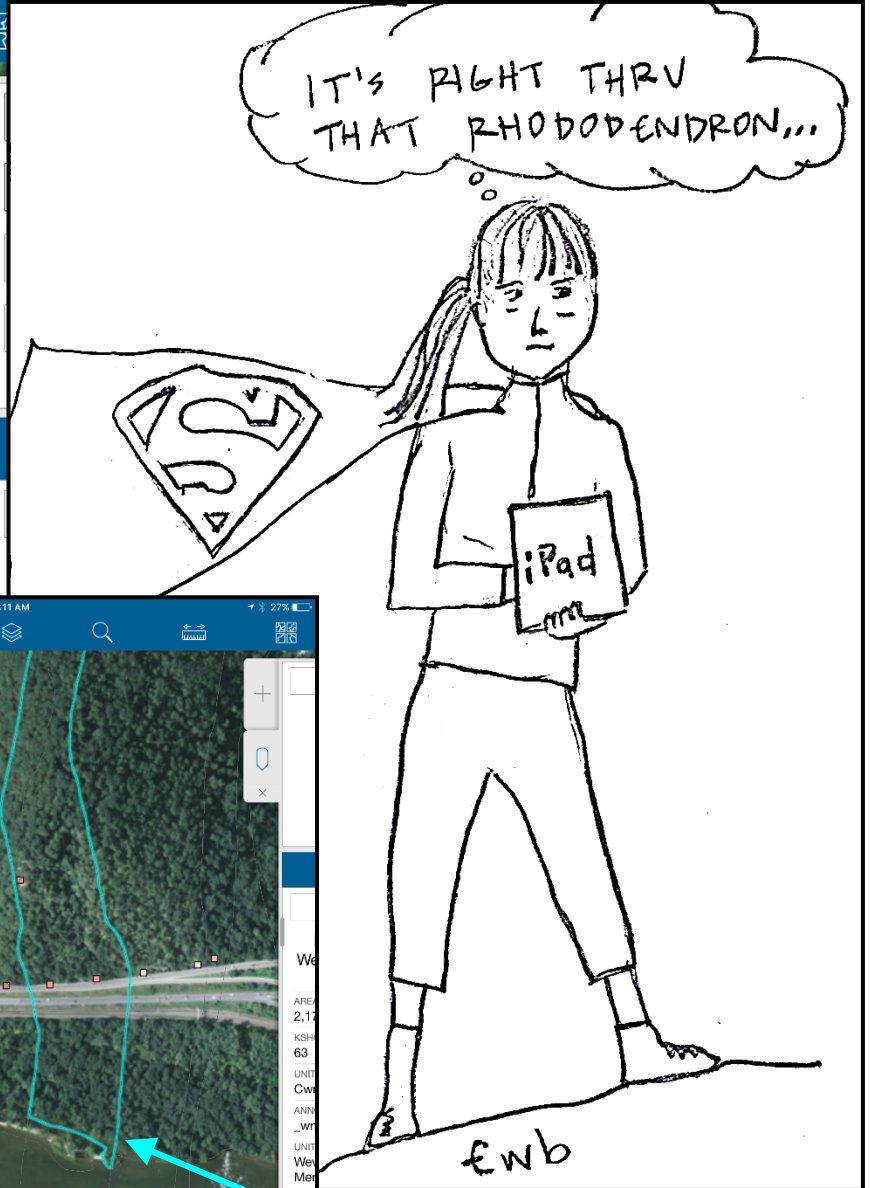
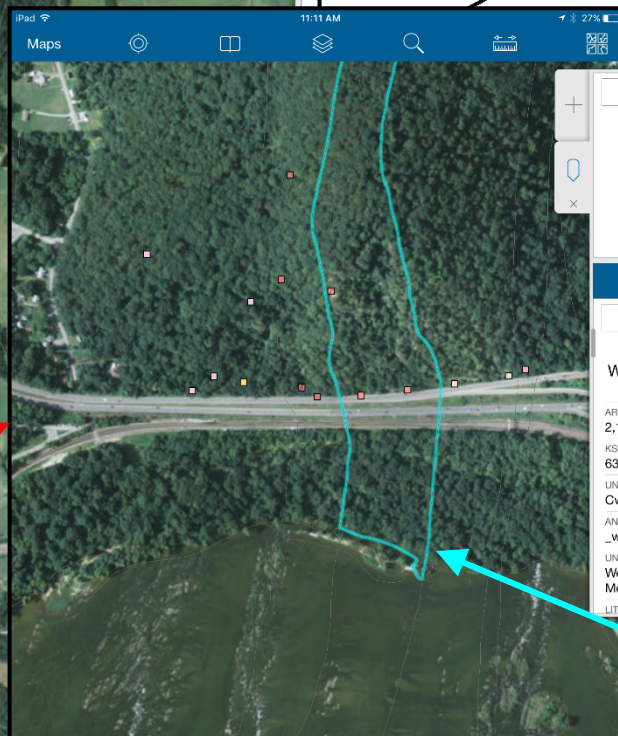
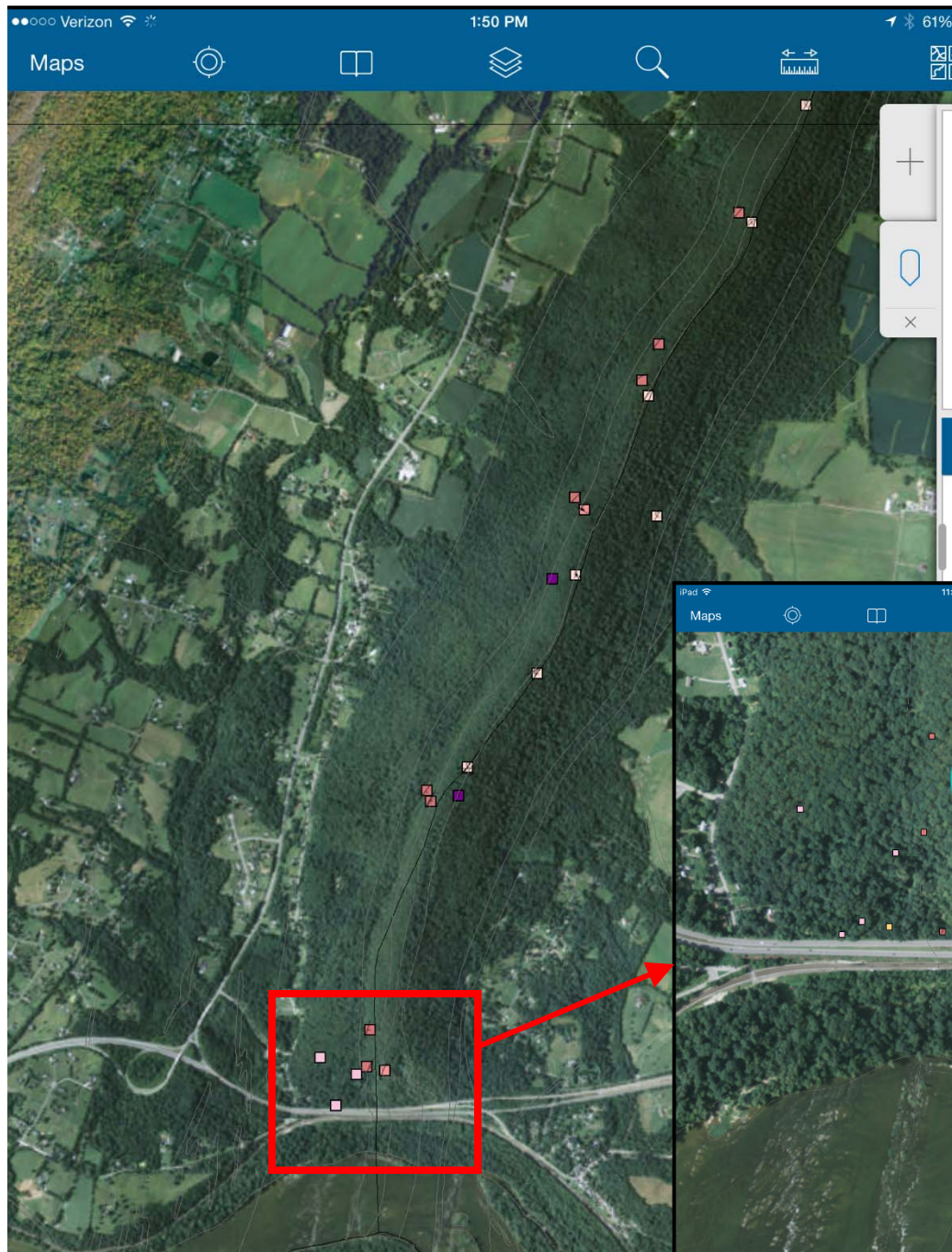
formation or layer name
Weverton Formation, Buzzard Knob Member

description of lithology
Top of Cwb

key_feature
Exactly where it contacts Cwm

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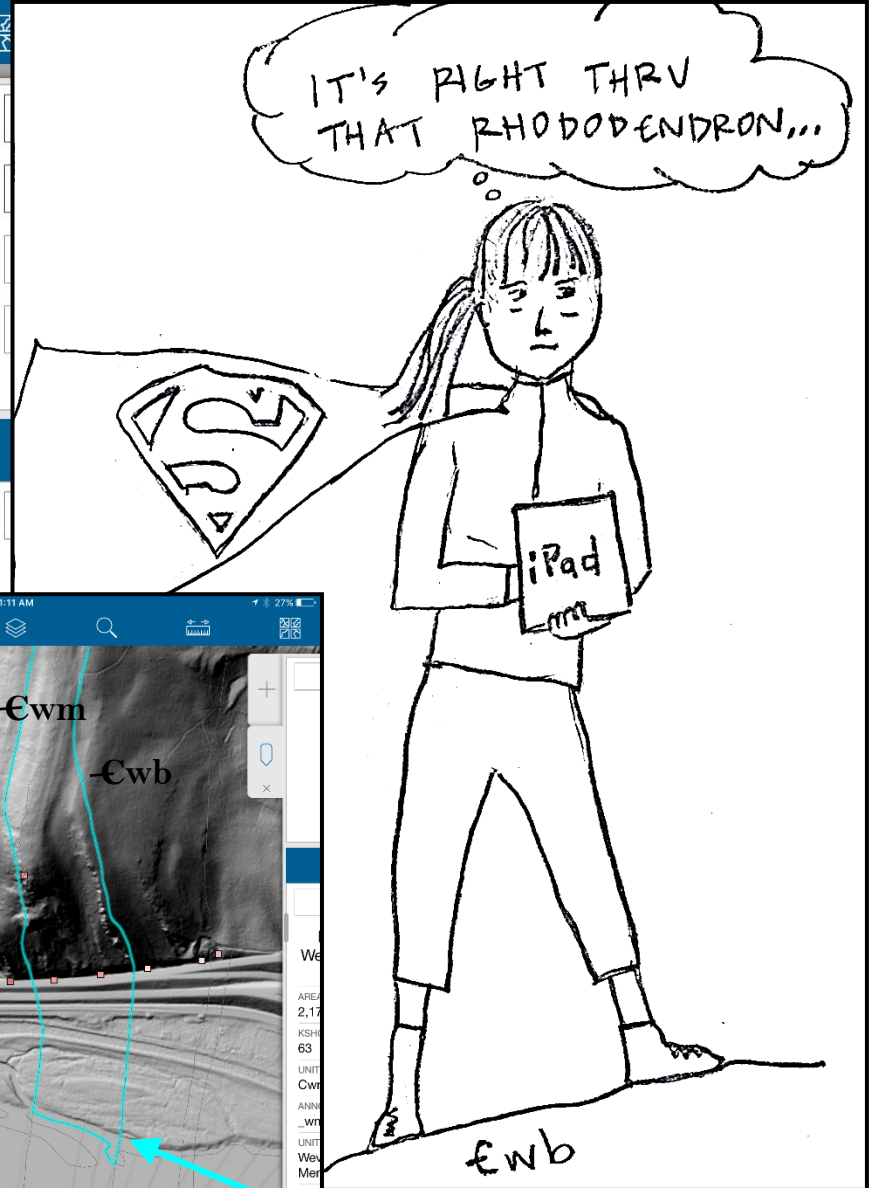
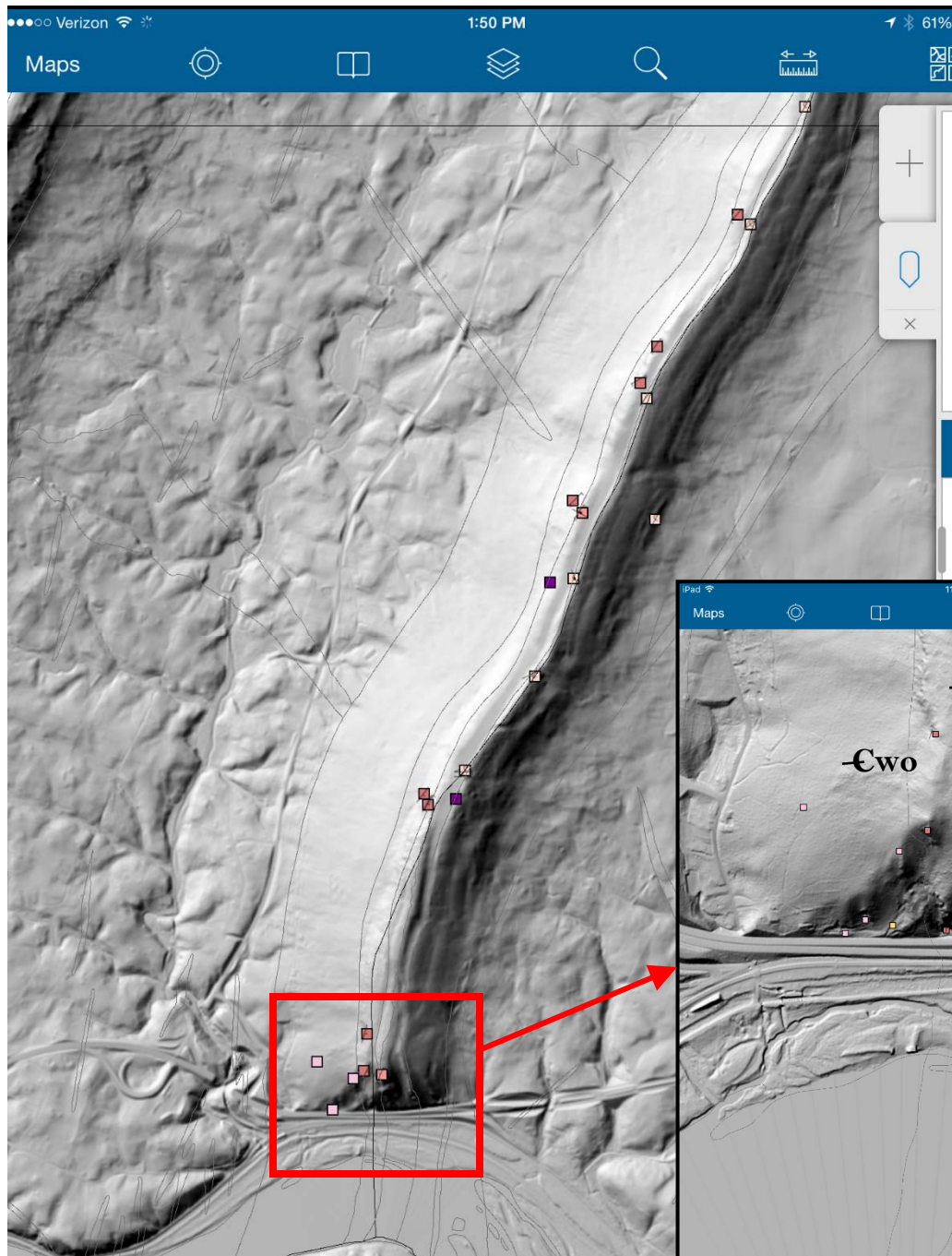
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blue = current 1:24,000 GIS
Maryland Height member (Cwm)

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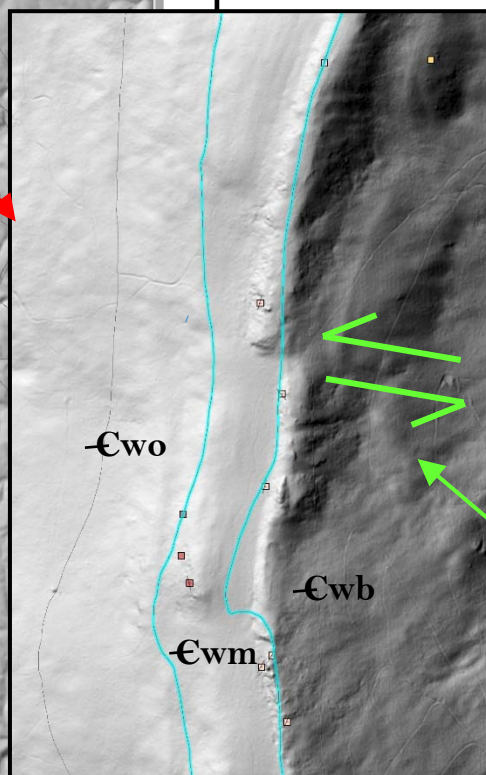
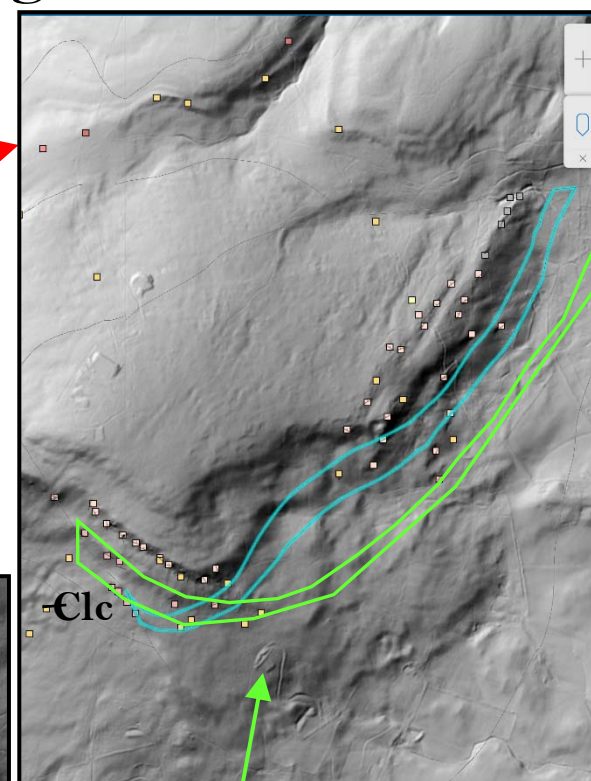
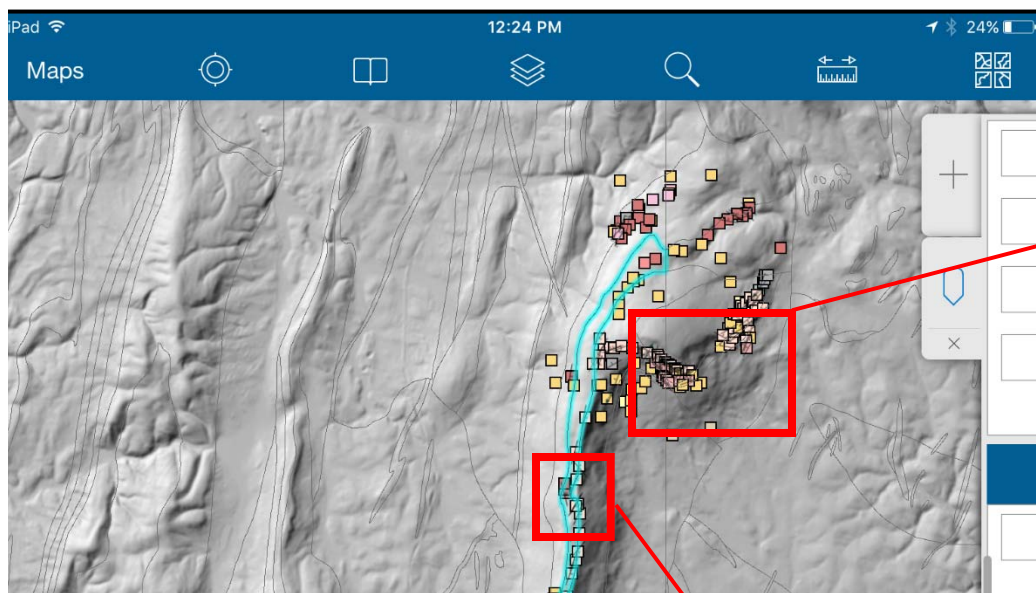
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Change location of
Loudoun Fm. (Cwc) $\approx 150\text{m}$
blue = current 1:24,000 GIS
green = 2015 digital mapping

Previously unmapped
transverse fault
 $\approx 100\text{m}$ offset

Thanks:
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Nathan Hale's Hazardous Tales

