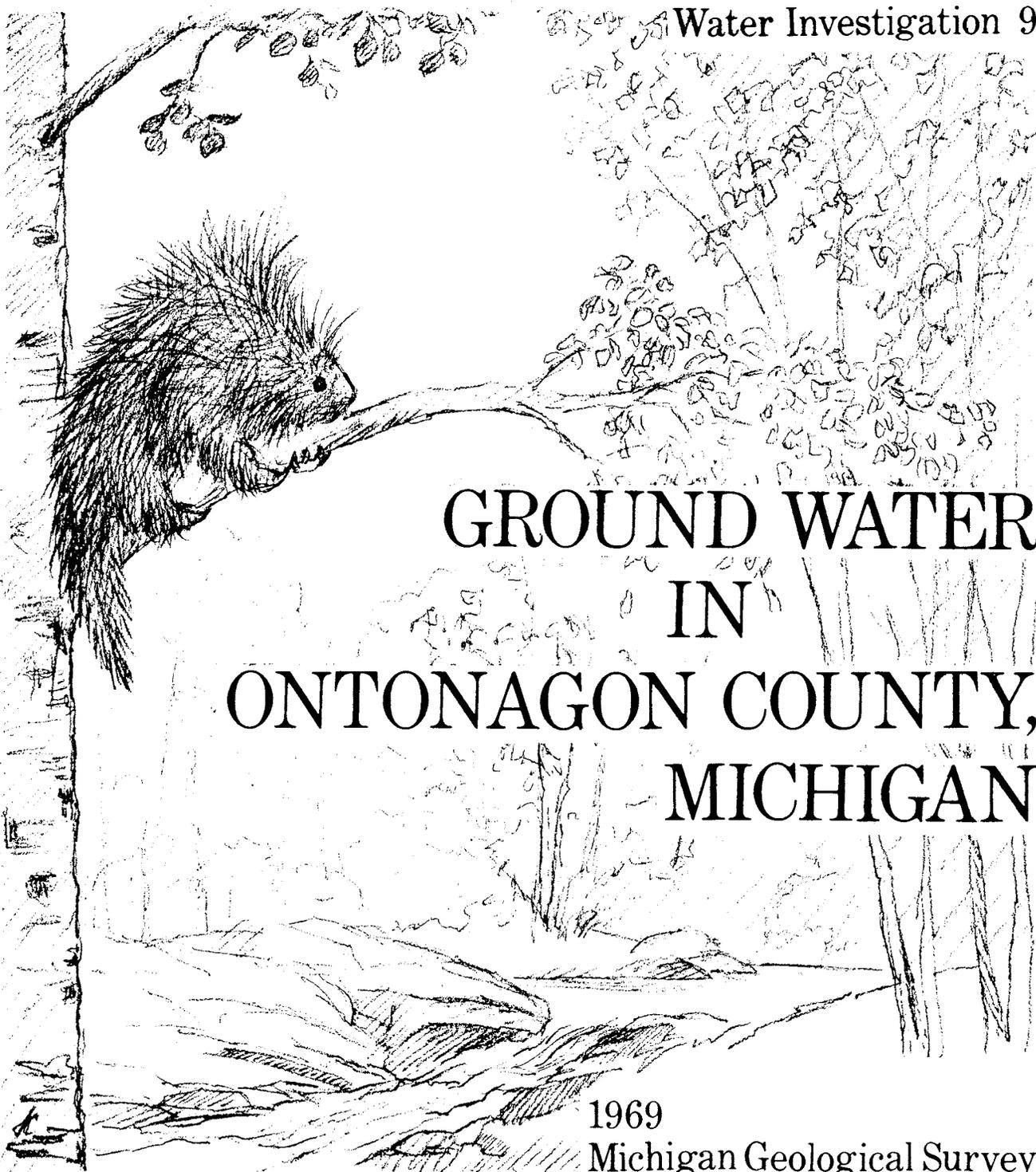


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## PREFACE

The purpose of this report is to provide information needed in the search for water supplies from wells or springs in the county.

For many years the state and federal geological surveys have cooperated in producing basic information on water resources in Michigan. This report is one product of that continuing program and was made possible by the assistance of county agencies, municipalities, industrial concerns, well drillers, and many other people in Iron County.

The basic statistics covering well records and chemical analyses are included in the Appendix at the rear of the report.

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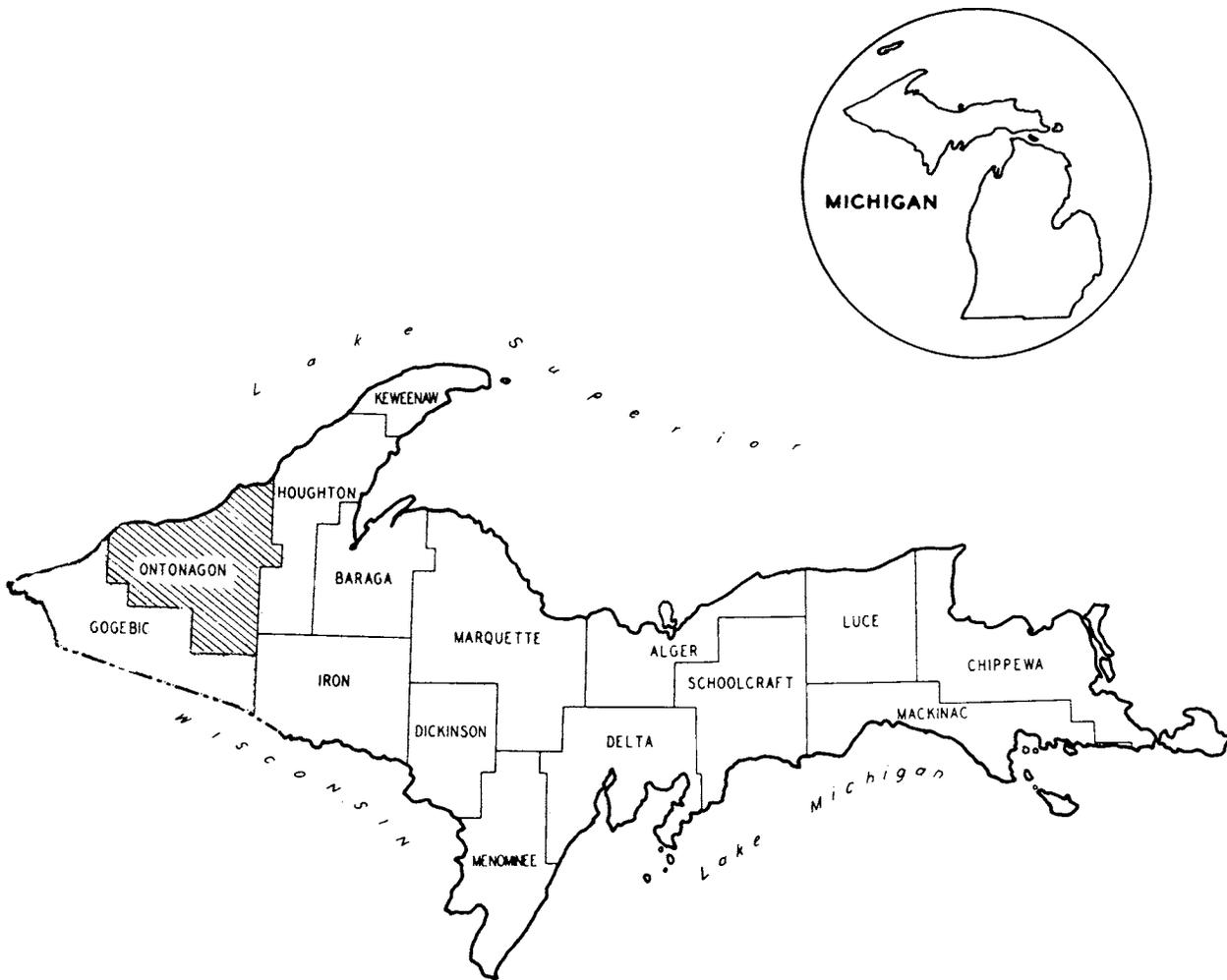


Figure 1 -- Ontonagon County, in west end of Michigan's Upper Peninsula

# GROUND WATER IN ONTONAGON COUNTY, MICHIGAN

## Abstract

*Most wells in Ontonagon County obtain water from glacial lake beds or from bedrock. Deposits of glacial till and outwash also yield water to domestic wells in a few parts of the county. The lake beds supply enough water for domestic use to many wells, but more than half of the wells in the county are drilled into bedrock to obtain a satisfactory supply. Wells yielding large supplies of several hundred gallons per minute are unknown in this county. Water from most wells is hard to very hard, and many wells yield water that contains objectionable amounts of iron. Water from the deeper wells in bedrock, especially near Lake Superior, is generally too salty for domestic use.*

## INTRODUCTION



THE ground-water resources of Ontonagon County are not abundant, but several townships and most rural residents obtain satisfactory water supplies from wells and springs. In some areas, several wells may be drilled before an adequate supply of good quality is obtained.

This report summarizes data on representative wells and springs and describes the geologic features controlling the quality and quantity of water from wells. Supplementing the text are maps featuring bedrock geology, and glacial geology, topography of ground water based upon geologic interpretations, and, in the rear pocket, hydrologic data for selected wells.

Descriptions of municipal water supplies are included as permanent records needed in evaluating effects of future developments. Data on other wells and springs are included in the Appendix.

### Well Numbering System

The well numbering system used in this report relates well location to the rectangular system of land subdivision with reference to the Michigan meridian and base line. The first two parts of a well number designate township and range; the last part designates both the section and well number within the section. Thus 49N 42W 20-2 is well number two in section 20, Township 49 North, Range 42 West.

## Geography

Ontonagon County is in the western end of the Upper Peninsula of Michigan. It is the third largest county in the state, having a land area of 1,321 square miles. The county is served by Federal Highway 45 and State Highways 26, 28, 35, 64, and 107. The 1960 census showed a population of 10,584 of which 45 percent reside in the White Pine-Ontonagon area. Most of the remainder live along highway M-28 and in the Mass-Greenland area.

Copper and forest products are the county's principal industries. Since 1845 about 100 mines have produced copper. At present only White Pine mine is operating, and is the largest employer in the county. Hoerner - Waldorf Corporation's paper mill at Ontonagon is the largest wood-user and second largest employer in the county.

About 160 operating farms occupy less than 10 percent of the county's total area. Livestock and dairy products account for most of the farm income.

Tourism and recreation increase in value each year. The chief tourist attraction is the 60,000-acre Porcupine Mountains State Park. In addition to the scenic mountains in the county, there are 21 lakes, 26 trout streams, 9 waterfalls, and 4 named rapids to attract tourists. The area has some of the finest ski hills in the midwest which, coupled with a mean annual snowfall of 105 inches, give this area the potential for an increasingly important winter sports business.

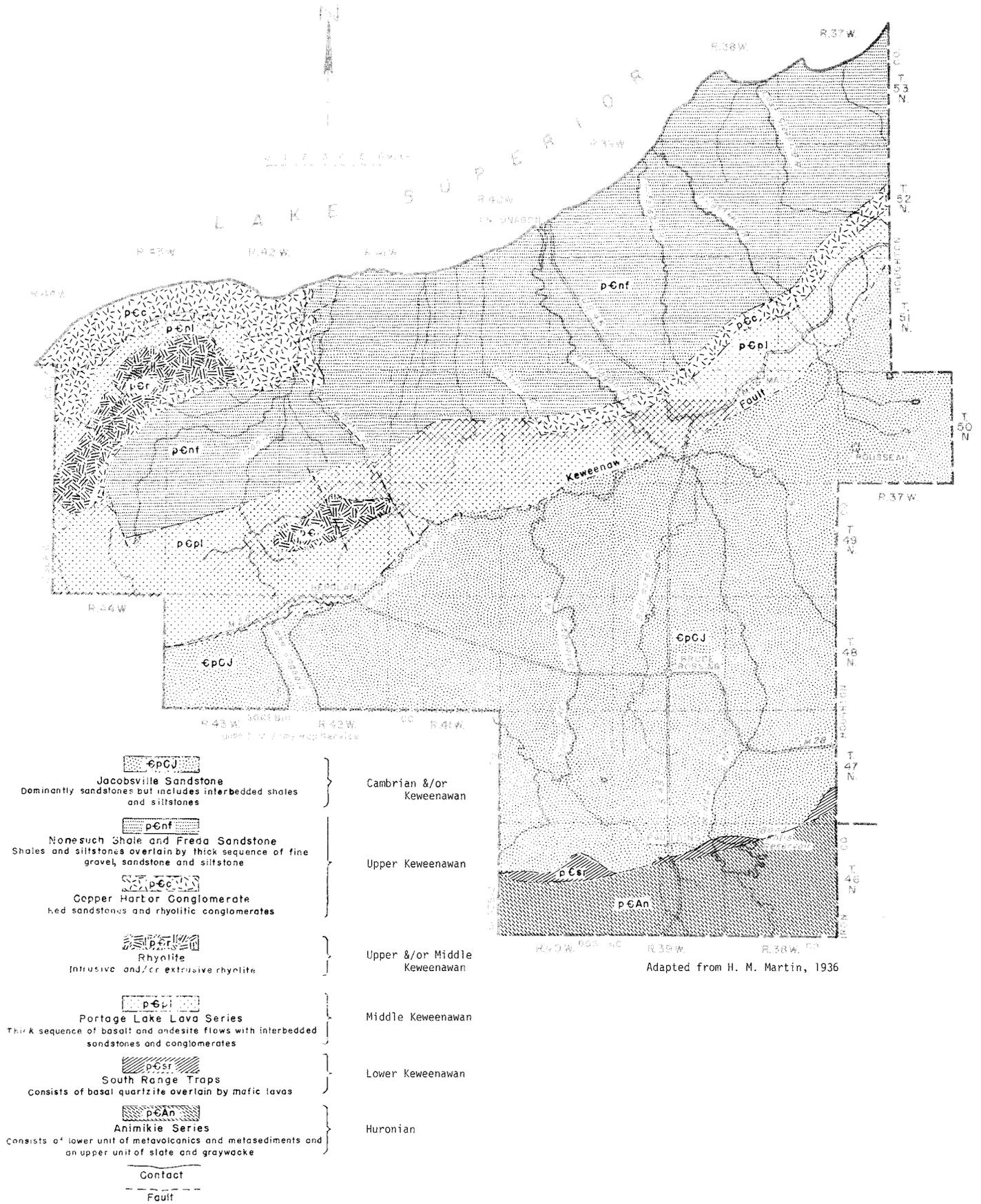


FIGURE 2. BEDROCK GEOLOGY OF ONTONAGON COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

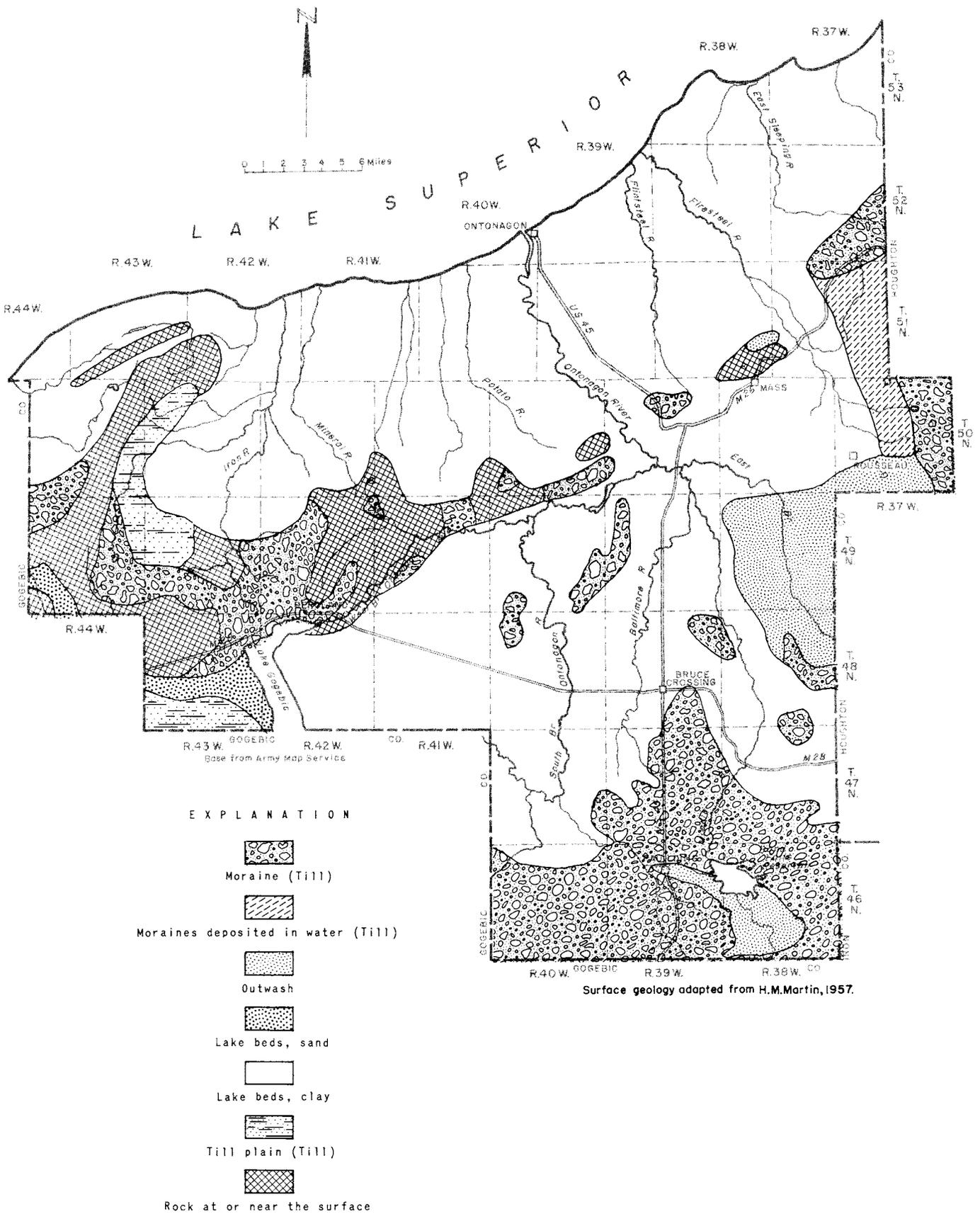


FIGURE 3. GLACIAL GEOLOGY OF ONTONAGON COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

## Geology and Topography

About two-thirds of Ontonagon County is underlain by rock formations of Precambrian age (fig. 2). The remaining area, occupying most of the southern part of the county, is underlain by the Jacobsville Sandstone. The age of the Jacobsville has not been clearly identified. It may be late Precambrian or early Paleozoic. The oldest rocks, occurring in the southernmost tier of townships, are largely granite gneiss, undifferentiated metamorphosed sediments, and volcanics. Somewhat younger Precambrian formations, comprising the bedrock of the northern half of the county, are either igneous rocks or unmetamorphosed sandstones and shales.

The bedrock strongly influences the topography of the overlying glacial materials. The prominent topographic features are the Porcupine Mountains in the northwest area and the Trap Range running northeast-southwest across the middle of the county (fig. 4). Both areas contain numerous outcrops. The rock formations of the Trap Range are largely basalt flows. They form a high ridge with steep-sided bluffs in some areas. Interbedded with these lava flows are sandstones, shales, or conglomerate formations, all dipping in a northerly direction. The Keweenaw fault, a major geologic feature, marks the southern boundary of this sequence of rocks. Movements of several thousand feet have occurred along the fault in the geologic past.

The Porcupine Mountains rise sharply from the shore to elevations of as much as 1300 feet above the level of Lake Superior. They are composed of ancient lava flows, sandstone, shale, and conglomerate.

Though generally poor aquifers, the rock formations of Ontonagon County have yielded large tonnages of native copper, particularly in the vicinity of Mass, Greenland, Rockland, and Victoria. Native copper is no longer mined here. Copper is now extracted from a sulfide ore in the Nonesuch Shale at White Pine. Modern production substantially exceeds earlier production.

Unconsolidated glacial materials overlying the bedrock surface vary in thickness up to more than 300 feet. Holes drilled in the vicinity of mines and observations along deeply entrenched streams, indicate that the buried bedrock surface is very irregular. These irregularities, however, are masked by the relatively even surface of the overburden.

The surficial features are mainly abandoned lake plains composed of sediments deposited in the higher ancestral stages of Lake Superior (fig. 3). These old lake sediments,

generally red or reddish brown, are mostly clay or sandy clay. Beneath them is glacial till interbedded with still earlier lake deposits. Heavy clayey boulder till occurs in a narrow morainic belt parallel to the Trap Range. A part of the Marenisco Moraine crosses the southernmost part of the county.

Outwash plains and valley trains of stratified sands and gravels constitute only a minor part of the surficial deposits. The largest area of outwash is located along the east boundary south of the Village of Mass and extends into western Houghton County. It is associated with the Keweenaw morainic system. Also, at the north end of Lake Gogebic, a channel, probably containing outwash deposits, extends west into Gogebic County. The outwash is covered by lake beds and swamp deposits. This channel served as a drainageway for Lake Ontonagon, one of the former glacial lakes.

## Drainage

Ontonagon County is drained by the Ontonagon River and its tributaries and by several smaller streams, all of which empty into Lake Superior. The Presque Isle River drains a small part of the western edge of the county.

The West Branch of the Ontonagon drains Lake Gogebic, the flow being controlled at the lake outlet. The flow of the South Branch of the Ontonagon is regulated to some extent at Cisco Lake. The Middle Branch is regulated by Bond Falls Reservoir.

The rivers of Ontonagon County are cut into lakebed sediments for the most part, although some of the headwater streams cut into bedrock. The silt from the lake beds causes the rivers to be more turbid than most northern Michigan rivers, even during low flow.

## AVAILABILITY OF GROUND WATER



GROUND water supplies are by no means abundant in Ontonagon County. Wells yielding large supplies (several hundred gallons per minute) are unknown, and in some areas it is almost impossible to obtain even the small supply needed for domestic use. Nevertheless, most of the rural residents obtain satisfactory domestic water supply from wells. The quantity, quality, and number of attempts before successfully completing a well, vary from one area to another. Plate I shows the location, depth, water-bearing formation, and yield of most of the wells inven-



toried for this study. Figure 5 (opposite) shows only the general availability of ground water over broad areas. Yields of wells and quality of water may vary widely over short distances. Tables 1 and 2 summarize information on representative wells and springs; table 3 lists drillers logs of wells; table 4 provides data on well yields, and table 5 lists field analyses of water from wells.

### Wells

Most ground-water supplies in Ontonagon County are obtained from drilled wells 4 to 6 inches in diameter and 50 to 300 feet deep (table 1). A few wells are more than 400 feet deep. About 60 percent of the wells visited were completed in bedrock. Small-diameter drive points supply a few homes and hunting camps with small amounts of water. In areas where the glacial drift consists of clay and silt with low permeability many households are supplied by large-diameter dug wells. Most dug wells are between 10 and 20 feet deep; some very shallow dug wells yield water of such poor quality that it is not used for drinking or cooking.

Wells obtaining water from bedrock usually are cased through the drift and a few feet into the underlying rock, with the remainder of the hole left open. Wells obtaining water from glacial drift usually are cased from the top down to the most productive beds--generally sand or gravel--and screened through the productive materials. Where earth materials are relatively impermeable silt, clay, or bedrock, dug wells are more successful than drilled wells. The large wall areas of dug wells provide greater area for percolation into the well, and the storage capacity of the dug well makes it possible to utilize a relatively small inflow. Driven wells are little used in Ontonagon County because the glacial drift in most places is not permeable enough to yield adequate water to a well point. Driven wells are impossible in bedrock.

### Springs

Most of the springs visited had been developed by enlarging the discharge area and installing a short length of culvert, or building a wood or stone cribbing to prevent collapse of the sides and to provide storage. These springs generally are only 3 or 4 feet deep and yield less than 2 gpm (gallons per minute). One large spring, discharging 10 gallons per minute through the overflow, has a concrete block cribbing protected by a fly and animal-proof concrete block building. A few large springs remain undeveloped. Although

many springs are in the county, most ground-water supplies are obtained from wells. Use of springs is restricted because many large tracts contain no springs, and where springs do occur they may not be located conveniently for the intended use.

### Aquifers

The aquifers (water-bearing formations) of Ontonagon County are in both glacial drift and bedrock.

#### Glacial Aquifers

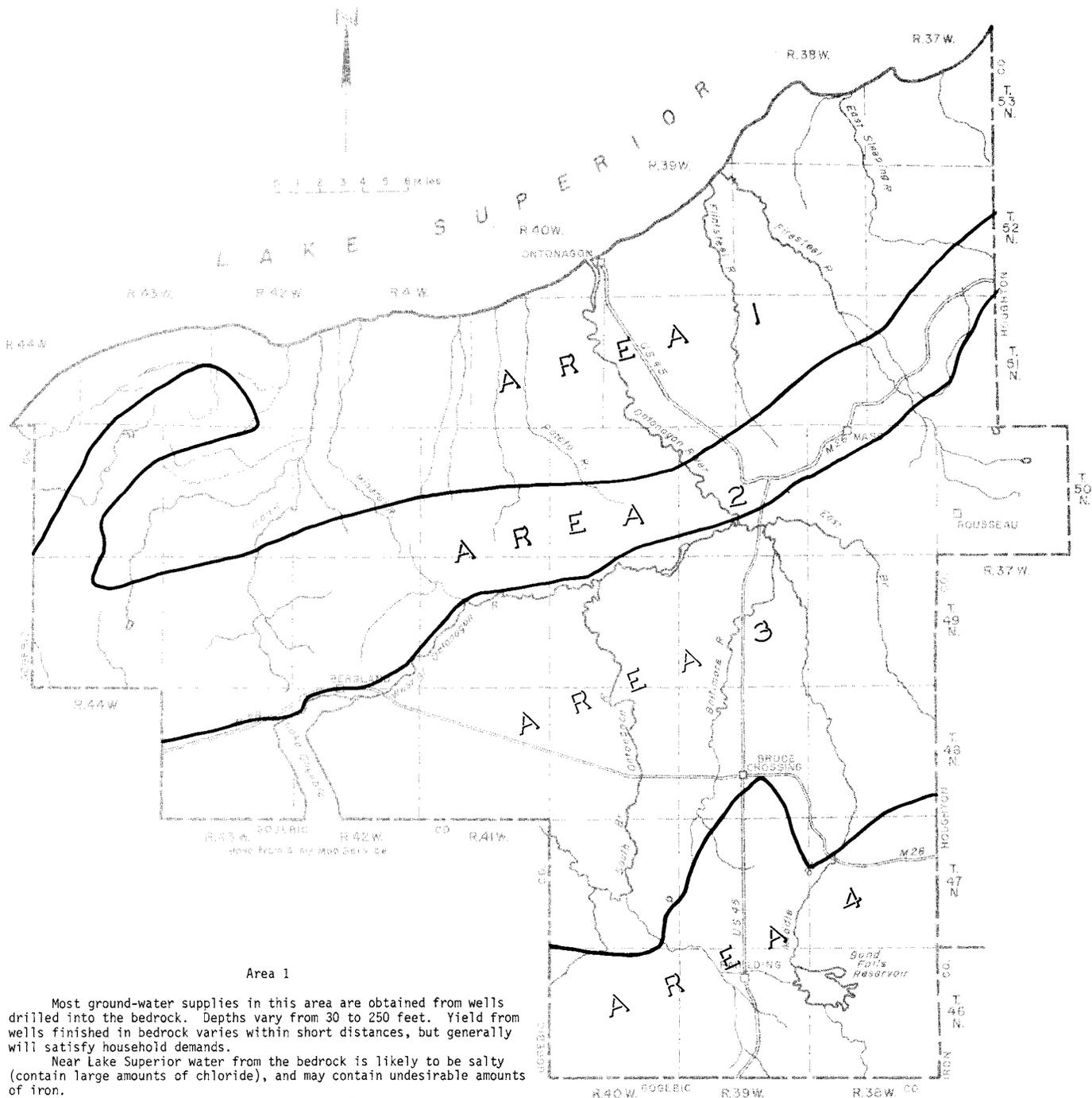
Glacial aquifers supply water to about 40 percent of the wells. Most of the wells in the glacial drift obtain water from beds of sand and gravel, but dug wells may obtain small amounts of water from silt or silty clay. Thickness of the glacial drift ranges from a few feet to more than 300 feet.

*Lakebeds* comprise about two-thirds of the surface of the county (fig. 3). These deposits consist of alternating layers of clay, sandy clay, silt, and some sand. The layers of sand generally are thin and may pinch out in short distances. Most drilled wells in lakebeds obtain water from sand layers, but dug wells may obtain small amounts of water from layers of clay and silt.

Beach sand along the shore of Lake Superior formerly provided the public water supply for the village of Ontonagon, and such deposits may yield moderate supplies in other shore line areas. A deeper deposit of beach sand, buried by younger deposits, is a potential aquifer at Ontonagon and possibly in other areas.

Low permeability of the lakebeds retards movement of ground water so that salty water is not rapidly diluted or flushed out. As a result, some of the deeper wells in lakebeds yield water moderately high in chlorides, but still satisfactory for domestic use. Troublesome amounts of iron are also present in many of the wells.

Drilling a well in lakebeds to obtain a domestic water supply is a gamble at best. To predict the thickness and extent of sand beds is impossible. If beds of sand are penetrated below the water table, the well usually will supply enough water for household use. However, if only silt and clay are penetrated the well probably will yield very little water. If the first hole drilled is a failure, another well at some distance from the first may succeed. In some instances, where the sediments are silt and clay, a dug well has a greater wall area for inflow. Where several attempts to obtain



**Area 1**

Most ground-water supplies in this area are obtained from wells drilled into the bedrock. Depths vary from 30 to 250 feet. Yield from wells finished in bedrock varies within short distances, but generally will satisfy household demands.

Near Lake Superior water from the bedrock is likely to be salty (contain large amounts of chloride), and may contain undesirable amounts of iron.

Drilled wells finished in the glacial drift generally yield small amounts of water. Dug wells will generally yield enough water for domestic use. Most water from the glacial drift contains iron in amounts large enough to cause staining of laundry and plumbing fixtures.

**Area 2**

About half of the wells in this area are finished in bedrock, most of these are more than 200 feet deep. Yields are satisfactory for household use. Water from some of the wells in the bedrock may be too salty for domestic use. Iron may be present in troublesome amounts in water from either the glacial drift or bedrock. In areas where the glacial drift is thin, a dug well may yield enough water for household use. Wells more than 50 feet deep in drift generally will supply a modern domestic water system.

**Area 3**

The Jacobsville Sandstone is the principal bedrock aquifer in this area. Water is low in chloride but varies from hard to very hard.

Objectionable amounts of iron are present in water from a few widely separated wells. Well yields generally are adequate for domestic supplies.

The glacial drift is mostly clay lake beds with an area of outwash along the east county line. Wells finished in the lake beds generally yield only small supplies of hard to very hard water. Near Bruce Crossing yields as much as 10 gpm have been reported. Very little well data is available in the outwash area, but moderate supplies of good quality water have been obtained at depths near 30 feet.

**Area 4**

Nearly all wells are finished in glacial drift. Well depths vary from less than 20 to over 300 feet. In the valleys, yields as much as 30 gpm have been reported from drilled wells. In other locations a large diameter dug well needed to obtain enough water for domestic use. Objectionable amounts of iron are present in some wells in all parts of the area.

**FIGURE 5. AVAILABILITY OF GROUND WATER IN ONTONAGON COUNTY, MICHIGAN.**

water from lake beds are unsuccessful, wells are generally drilled into the underlying bedrock.

*Till* areas mapped as moraines and till plains are underlain chiefly by deposits of till. Till varies greatly in composition from place to place. Very sandy till may provide large amounts of water to wells, but silty or clayey till may yield little or no water. The till deposits in the southeast part of the county yield moderate supplies of water to most wells at depths less than 100 feet. The thin mantle of till over bedrock in the highlands areas north and northwest of Bergland probably would yield very little water to drilled wells, although dug wells in stream valleys may obtain enough for domestic supply.

*Outwash* sand and gravel of adequate thickness is one of the most productive of all aquifers, but outwash areas are few and small in Ontonagon County. The deposits extending southeastward from Paulding yield moderate supplies of water to a few wells, and probably could yield large supplies (more than 600 gmp) to large-diameter wells. Another larger area of outwash south and southeast of Rousseau also yields moderate supplies to a few wells and may be a favorable prospect for future large supplies of ground water.

#### Bedrock Aquifers

Because the glacial drift is unsatisfactory as a source of water over much of the county, about 60 percent of the wells are drilled into bedrock. Drilling into bedrock, however, does not insure a satisfactory supply. Inadequate supplies or salty water may be obtained in many places. The surface of the bedrock beneath the drift is very irregular. One well may penetrate more than 100 feet of glacial drift before reaching bedrock, whereas another nearby may penetrate bedrock at a depth of only a few feet. Water in bedrock generally occurs in fractures; yields depend on the number and size of fractures penetrated. The first 50 feet of bedrock under the drift are most likely to yield a moderate supply. At greater depths open fractures are rare, yields are smaller, and salty water is more likely to be encountered. Areas of bedrock outcrop usually are not favorable for obtaining water, but shallow wells dug into bedrock in valleys may yield small supplies.

*Jacobsville Sandstone* underlies the glacial drift in most of the south half of the county (fig. 2), and yields small to moderate supplies of fresh water. Most rock wells in this area are more than 100 feet deep and several are more than 300 feet. The water is generally of satisfactory quality, but many yield water with objectionable quantities of iron.

*Freda Sandstone and Nonsuch Shale* underlie the glacial drift in most of the northern third of the county. The sandstone beds yield fresh water to many shallow wells, but the deeper wells generally yield water too high in chlorides for domestic use. Near Lake Superior, most wells more than 75 feet deep yield salty water; farther south, most wells less than 150 feet deep yield fresh water. Many of the wells yield water containing objectionable quantities of iron. Most wells yield enough water for a domestic supply, but in some instances drilling more than one hole was necessary for obtaining a satisfactory supply.

*Lava flows:* The bedrock exposed in the Porcupine Mountains and the Trap Range consists largely of ancient lava flows with interbedded sandstone, shale, and conglomerate. These highland areas generally are unfavorable for obtaining water from wells. However, some deep drilled wells near Mass and a few shallow wells near Bergland yield moderate supplies. The water from some of the deeper wells is salty and very hard, and some is high in iron content.

*Other Precambrian Rocks:* The oldest rocks in the county, which underlie the southernmost tier of townships, are not generally tapped for water because the overlying glacial drift is generally satisfactory.

#### QUALITY OF WATER



WATER obtained from most wells in Ontonagon County is suitable for household use and most other uses (table 5). However, the water is generally hard to very hard, ranging from 65 to 650 mg/l (milligrams per liter) and many wells yield water too hard for successful treatment by conventional domestic water-softening methods. Salt water (high in chlorides) is a problem in many of the deeper wells in bedrock, especially near Lake Superior.

The quality of water in streams at times of low flow reflects the general quality of ground water in shallow aquifers, because almost all the water in the streams at these times is derived from ground water. Water from streams in Ontonagon County generally is relatively soft (15 to 85 mg/l) and low in dissolved solids, as indicated by specific conductance (table 6). The water in shallow aquifers is much softer and lower in dissolved solids than water in the deeper aquifers--especially the bedrock aquifers. Iron is not normally a problem in surface waters, but samples from two of the rivers indicated objectionable amounts of iron. The dissolved oxygen content of water from most streams ranged from 8.6 to 11.0 mg/l, which is in the normal range

for this area. A sample from Merriweather Creek contained only 614 mg/l.

Water from lakes having surface outlets is similar to streams, although somewhat softer and lower in dissolved solids (table 7). Water from lakes without outlets is extremely soft and low in dissolved solids, suggesting that these lakes have a significant amount of outflow leakage.

#### WATER DEVELOPMENT

#### Municipal Supplies



GROUND water is not used in any large municipal water supply in Ontonagon County. Several townships supply water from wells to consumers in unincorporated towns and a few privately owned wells supply several household and commercial establishments. Some townships are contemplating additions to their water systems. These public and quasi-public supplies are described below.

#### Rockland Township

Rockland Township furnishes water to about 100 customers in the town of Rockland. A dug well 14 feet in diameter and 20 feet deep supplies about 37,000 gallons per day. The system includes an electric pump set at 17.5 feet below the pumphouse floor and a stand-by gasoline-powered pump set at 19 feet. Water is pumped to a 147,000 gallon underground storage reservoir on a hill east of town. Altitude of the reservoir is about 180 feet above Rockland's main street. Pressure in the gravity-feed system is 85 to 90 pounds per square inch. Each customer's water consumption is metered. Chlorine is added to the water at the pumping station.

Present production well 50N 39W 9-2, constructed about 1900, recovers from 4 feet of drawdown in 2 hours. In July 1963 test well 50N 39W 9-1 was drilled a short distance north of the existing well, but did not produce enough water to justify further development. Results of chemical analysis of untreated water from well 50N 39W 9-2, and the log of well 50N 39W 9-1 follow:

#### Driller's Log

50N 39W 9-1, test hole, abandoned  
SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$   
Altitude: 1180  
Drilled 1963

	Thickness of Unit	Bottom of Unit
Sand, red-brown, very fine-grained, silty with sand, fine to medium	9	9
Sand, very fine to medium, silty, very slight trace of gravel, medium	6	15
Gravel, medium, trace of coarse, silty	3	18
Gravel, pea sized to medium, trace of coarse, silty	3	21
Gravel, medium, silty	10	31
Ledge at 31 ft.		

#### Chemical Analysis\*

(milligrams per liter)	
Iron (Fe)	0
Chloride (Cl)	6.0
Hardness (CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	230
Fluoride (F)	0
pH	7.4

\*Michigan Dept. Public Health, 1963

#### Interior Township

Interior Township supplies water to about 60 customers in the town of Trout Creek. The water system consists of three wells, widely spaced within the town, with pneumatic pressure tanks and about three-fourths of a mile of pipeline. No water treatment is provided. Neither pumpage nor water consumption are metered; consumers pay a flat monthly rate.

Well 47N 38W 12-1 (Twp. well No. 1) located at the Trout Lake School, was drilled in 1915. This is a 6-inch flowing well, 300 feet deep equipped with a 3-horsepower jet pump. Well 47N 38W 14-1 (Twp. well No. 2) supplies the Milltown section of Trout Creek. This is a 6-inch well 215 feet deep drilled in 1953, equipped with a 2-horsepower jet pump. Well 27N 38W 12-2 (Twp. well No. 3) supplies the Redtown area. This is a 6-inch screened well 185 feet deep equipped with a jet pump. Test pumping for 1 hour at 30 gpm (gallons per minute) resulted in 10 feet of drawdown. Wells number one and three have stand-by pumps for emergency use.

#### Driller's Logs

47N 38W 14-1 (twp. well No.2)  
NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$   
Altitude: 1180  
Drilled 1953

	Thickness of Unit	Bottom of Unit
Sand and clay	170	170
Coarse sand	45	215

47N 38W 12-2 (twp. well No.3)

SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$

Altitude: 1170

Drilled 1955

	Thickness of Unit	Bottom of Unit
Sand and clay	160	160
Fine sand	25	185

Chemical Analysis\*

	Twp. No. 1	Twp. No. 2	Twp. No. 3
(milligrams per liter)			
Total solids	114	112	102
Silica (SiO <sub>2</sub> )	14	13	14
Iron (Fe)	0	0	0
Manganese (Mn)	0	0	0
Calcium (Ca)	26	27	23
Magnesium (Mg)	8	7	7
Sodium (Na)	2.1	2.1	2.1
Potassium (K)	0.6	0.6	0.6
Nitrate (NO <sub>3</sub> )	2	1.7	4
Chloride (Cl)	3	3	3
Sulfate (SO <sub>4</sub> )	0	0	3
Bicarbonate (HCO <sub>3</sub> )	122	124	104
Carbonate (CO <sub>3</sub> )	0	0	0
Hardness (CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	96	98	86
Fluoride (F)	0	0	0
pH	8.1	8.0	8.2

(micromhos per centimeter at 25° C.)

Specific Conductance	180	180	160
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\*MDPH. Sample collected 11-16-65

Ontonagon

Although the village of Ontonagon now uses water from Lake Superior a brief history of its past problems with ground-water supplies is given here.

In 1895 the village constructed its first municipal water system. A log cistern 30 feet in diameter was built under the Lake Superior beach to collect water seeping through the sand. This intake worked only until the swelling logs sealed off the flow.

In the same year a 12-inch pipe was extended 200 feet into Lake Superior with the intake in about six feet of water. Prevailing west winds moved silt-laden water from the mouth of the Ontonagon River to the intake.

By 1905 the village, concerned about the red silty water, began a search for a more

suitable supply. Springs were located within the village and a brick cistern 30 feet in diameter was constructed over them. Chlorine was added to the water from 1922 to 1927 probably as a result of an outbreak of typhoid fever in 1922.

By 1927 water demand exceeded production from the springs and a test drilling program was initiated resulting in two gravel-pack wells 90 feet deep. As years passed water from these wells increased in hardness and a strong odor of hydrogen sulfide developed.

During 1949 an infiltration gallery with 236 feet of 18-inch perforated tile was built under the Lake Superior beach. When the lake was frozen to the bottom far enough off shore to lower the rate of infiltration into the gallery, ground water having a high iron content migrated upward into the gallery. During prolonged periods of extreme freezing, water from the gallery contained as much as 8.0 mg/l of iron.

In mid 1965 a new pumping station and 30-inch pipeline extending 3,000 feet into Lake Superior was put into operation. About 800 customers are served by the system. The filtration plant has a capacity of 750,000 gpd (gallons per day) but daily pumpage averages only 300,000 gallons. Water used by consumers is metered and water bills sent out quarterly.

Hoerner-Waldorf Corporation's paper mill uses 19 to 20 thousand gallons of treated water and 4 to 5 million gallons per day of raw water making them the city's largest water user.

McMillan Township

McMillan Township maintains a water system in the town of Ewen that supplies about 80 customers. The system consists of well 48N 40W 26-1, a 20,000-gallon underground storage reservoir and a 2,000-gallon underground pressure tank.

The well is 473 feet deep with 5-inch casing to 206 feet. When completed in 1960, this well flowed at a pressure of 12 pounds per square inch, it is now equipped with a 3-horsepower submersible pump which discharges into the storage reservoir. Water is repumped into the pressure tank for distribution to water mains. No treatment is provided. Pumpage is not metered; consumers pay a flat monthly rate.

Chemical Analysis\*

(milligrams per liter)	
Iron (Fe)	0.1
Chloride (Cl)	1.0
Hardness (CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	100.0
Fluoride (F)	0.4

\*Mich. Dept. Public Health, 1961

Driller's Log

48N 40W 26-1

NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$

Altitude: 1140

Drilled 1960

	Thickness of Unit	Bottom of Unit
Clay	186	186
Shale	20	206
Sandstone	267	473

Bergland Township

Bergland Township operates a water system in the town of Bergland. Two wells 49N 42W 33-1 and -2, about 30 feet apart, supply water for the 126 customers. Both wells are 8-inch casings 26 feet deep with 10-foot screens set in glacial drift. Centrifugal pumps on both wells discharge into a 5,500-gallon pressure tank. No treatment is provided. Pumpage is not metered; customers pay a flat monthly rate.

Field Chemical Analysis\*

(milligrams per liter)	
Sulfate (SO <sub>4</sub> )	10
Alkalinity (as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	32
Bicarbonate (HCO <sub>3</sub> )	39
Hardness (as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	55
Iron (Fe)	0.1
Chloride (Cl)	40
pH	7.4
(micromhos per centimeter at 25° C.)	
Specific Conductance	235

\*U. S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, 1967

Driller's Log

49N 42W 33-3

SW $\frac{1}{4}$  SW $\frac{1}{4}$

Altitude: 1360

Drilled 1957

	Thickness of Unit	Bottom of Unit
Sand	5	5
Clay and sand	17	22
Clay	4	26
Clay and sand	6	32
Clay, gravel and sand	20	52
Gravel and sand	3	55

White Pine

White Pine Copper Company maintains a 36-inch pipe line 5 $\frac{1}{2}$  miles long to supply water from Lake Superior to the town of White Pine and the copper mining and processing com-

plex at White Pine mine. Water for use in the town and for domestic use at the mine receives standard filtration treatment plus the addition of fluoride.

Bruce Crossing

Bruce Crossing does not have a municipal water system, although several private wells in town serve more than one household or business. None of the owners measure pumping rates or amount of water pumped. A few of these wells are described here. Chemical quality of water is shown in table 5.

Well 48N 39W 21-1, owned by Vern Hemming, is a flowing well 310 feet deep finished in sandstone. A shallow well jet pump and pressure tank supply water to 12 houses. Maintenance expense is shared by the water users.

Ontonagon Valley Creamery Association owns well 48N 39W 21-2 which supplies water used in the creamery plant and office. A pipeline enables five nearby business places to draw water from the creamery for emergency use. This is an 8-inch well 482 feet deep finished in sandstone. A 3-inch turbine pump is set 165 feet below the plant floor; during non-working hours the well flows 18 gpm into a storage tank.

Well 48N 39W 28-1 is owned by T. A. Nordine and supplies his grocery store and about 25 houses. This is a 4-inch well 325 feet deep finished in sandstone. When completed in 1947 it flowed 15 gpm; in 1967 the rate of flow could not be determined. A one-third horsepower jet pump and pressure tank supply the distribution system.

Upper Peninsula Power Co. at Victoria

The Upper Peninsula Power Company owns the townsite of Victoria near its Victoria Reservoir and generating plant. Three power company employees and their families occupy company-owned houses which receive water from the company's distribution system. This system, as well as the town, was much larger when copper mines in the area were producing.

About 1907 the mining company that owned the mines and townsite developed three closely spaced springs by enlarging and deepening their discharge areas and installing short lengths of 36-inch tile with concrete covers. Water from the springs is piped to a concrete collector 12 feet square by 10 feet deep, then pumped through a mile of 2-inch pipe to an elevated storage tank at the townsite. No treatment is provided.

The three springs were considered as one source and numbered 50N 39W 29-1. Chemical

quality of water from this system is shown in the following table.

Field Chemical Analysis\*

(milligrams per liter)	
Hardness (CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	136
Iron (Fe)	0.2
Chloride (Cl)	5
pH	7.9

(micromhos per centimeter at 25° C.)  
Specific Conductance 340

\*U. S. Geological Survey, August, 1967

Parks

Several campgrounds and roadside parks have wells, but some have no water supply because they are located in areas where ground water is difficult to obtain or is of poor quality. Two campgrounds maintained by the U. S. Forest Service have good ground-water supplies.

Paulding Pond Campground and Picnic Area has two wells, 46N 39W 15-1 and 15-2 finished in sand. Both are equipped with handpumps and yield adequate amounts of good quality water (tables 4 and 5).

Well 50N 37W 4-1 supplies good quality water to the Courtney Lake Campground. This well is 316 feet deep finished in sand. A submersible pump and a pressure tank supply water to hydrants in the campground and picnic areas.

Ontonagon County Park, on the west side of Lake Gogebic, receives its water from well 48N 43W 13-1 which is 61 feet deep finished in sandstone. Water from this well is very hard (306 mg/l) but otherwise of good quality.

Well 51N 37W 31-1, which furnished water at a roadside picnic table alongside M-35 near Lake mine, is a diamond drill hole drilled during copper exploration about 1927. It is reported to be about 1500 feet deep. About three-quarters of a gallon of water per minute flows from a pipe extending two feet above land surface. This water is rather poor quality having 279 mg/l of hardness and 500 mg/l of chloride.

Well 53N 37W 13-1, owned by Bohemia Township, is a flowing well at the Misery Bay School site. Water is piped to an outlet at the edge of the road right-of-way. Yield is about 2 gpm from a pipe extending two feet above land surface. Water is of good quality,

and many residents of the area use it for drinking and cooking because safe potable water is difficult to obtain in this area.

Porcupine Mountains State Park

Springs supply the water used in that part of the park situated in Ontonagon County. At the main campground a large spring has been developed. A 5-horsepower pump is used to distribute water through 2-inch mains to the various outlets.

Another spring supplies water for the buildings at the ski area.

At the picnic grounds near the abandoned because of the poor quality water.

Driller's Log

51N 42W 15-1

NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>

Altitude: 615 feet

Drilled 1947

	Thickness of Unit	Bottom of Unit
Clay	18	18
Sandstone	4	22
Clay seam, very little water	0' 10"	22' 10"
Sandstone	103	125' 10"
Seam in sandstone (Highly mineralized water at 125 feet)	4' 2"	130

Household Supplies

In the northern part of the county 4- to 6-inch drilled wells tap Precambrian sandstone for most household water supplies. In some cases two or three attempts were made before water of suitable quality was obtained. Most wells are equipped with electric pumps. Many families have large-diameter dug wells that supply adequate amounts of water from the glacial drift. Some supply enough water to operate a modern home water system. However, water from some dug wells is not suitable for drinking or cooking, and water for these must be obtained from another source. Some small springs have been developed and water piped to the buildings.

Most domestic wells in the central area are drilled in sandstone, but glacial drift is also an important aquifer. In the Trout Creek area deep wells in sand and gravel flow above land surface.

The glacial drift in the southern part of the county contains more sand and gravel than in the north. In the south domestic wells are

usually 4- to 6-inch drilled wells finished in sand and gravel, but some householders have driven their own wells using 1 1/4- to 2-inch casing and drive points. Nearly all have electric pumps and pressure systems.

#### Camps and Cabins

Many hunting and fishing camps are located where electricity is not available. Hand pumps are generally used on drilled or dug wells. Some cabins, especially in the north, do not have wells because the expense of drilling is not justified. A few cabin owners have developed springs on their property.

#### Motels and Resorts

Throughout most of the county motels and resorts obtain water from drilled wells. However, businesses located along the Lake Superior shore, west of Ontonagon have a variety of water sources, including intakes in Lake Superior, dug wells, drilled wells and drivepoints. Supplies of good quality water large enough to operate a motel or resort are difficult to obtain in this area.

#### Irrigation

Irrigating with ground water is not known in Ontonagon County. Some strawberry and apple growers use ponds fed by surface runoff during periods of deficient rainfall, and to combat late spring frost.

#### Water Power

Upper Peninsula Power Company operates a generating plant on the West Branch of the Ontonagon River near Victoria. A dam on the West Branch, where it leaves Lake Gogebic, controls the lake level and regulates the amount of water flowing into the reservoir at Victoria. Part of the water which is stored in the Bond Falls Basin is diverted through a flume into tributaries of the South Branch of the Ontonagon River which enters the West Branch above Victoria Reservoir.

## SUMMARY



THE aquifers of Ontonagon County generally produce only small amounts of water. Glacial aquifers are chiefly beds of sand in glacial lake beds, although sand and gravel in outwash and moraine yield water to wells in a few small areas.

Of the bedrock aquifers, the Jacobsville Sandstone in the southern part of the county generally is a reliable producer of small amounts of fresh water. The Freda Sandstone and Nonesuch Shale yield small amounts of fresh water to many shallow wells in the northern part of the county, but deeper wells usually yield salt water. The lava flows and associated rocks of the highlands yield water to a few wells, but water from deeper wells is apt to be salty and very hard.

Ground water is not used for public supplies in any large municipal water supply, but several townships supply water from wells to unincorporated communities.

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APPENDIX

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Ontonagon Co. Report

Table 1.--Records of Wells

Aquifer: Br - Bedrock; Gd - Glacial drift

Use: D - Domestic; S - Stock; P - Public Supply; I - Industrial;  
O - Observation; T - Test Hole

U.S.F.S. - United States Forest Service

Water level in feet below land surface  
Altitudes are estimated from topographic maps

Well Number	Location in Section	Owner	Driller	Date Drilled	Diameter in inches	Depth in feet	Aquifer	Use	Water Level	Date	Altitude	Depth to bedrock	Remarks
46N 38W	5-1 NW-SE	D. W. Weston	Johnson	1962	5	94	Gd	P	63	1962	1500	----	Equipped with iron removal unit
	30-1 SE-NE	U.S.F.S.	U.S.G.S.	1966	1½	66	Gd	O	16.63	6-19-67	1530	----	Test hole to 77 feet
46N 39W	8-1 SW-NW	U.S.F.S.	----	1937	--	312	Gd	P	302	1967	1605	----	Abandoned, low yield
	9-1 SE-NE	Al. Hopp	Owner	----	2	96	Gd	P	10	1967	1350	----	Supplies 4 cabins
	15-1 SW-NW	U.S.F.S.	Johnson	1964	5	60	Gd	P	22	1964	1390	----	Paulding Pond Picnic Area
	15-2 SW-NW	U.S.F.S.	Johnson	1962	5	68	Gd	P	30	1962	1340	----	Paulding Pond Camp Ground
47N 38W	1-1 SW-NW	H. Kangras	Owner	1946	1½	17	Gd	D	15	1967	1170	----	High iron content
	1-2 NW-SW	G. Pelkola	Lampi	1945	5	326	Gd	D	18	1967	1170	----	Supplies 2 dwellings
	12-1 SW-SW	Interior Twp.	Elliot	1915	6	300	Gd	P	Flows	1967	1170	----	Production well no. 1
	12-2 SW-SW	Interior Twp.	Johnson	1955	6	185	Gd	P	----	----	1170	----	Production well no. 3
	14-1 NE-NE	Interior Twp.	Johnson	1953	6	215	Gd	P	----	----	1180	----	Production well no. 2
	15-1 NW-NE	R. E. Lakanen	Johnson	1944	5	67	Gd	D	20	1967	1220	----	
	16-1 SW-NW	A. J. Lockwood	----	----	48	15	Gd	D	----	----	1210	----	
47N 39W	7-1 SW-SW	J. Stopar	----	----	4	--	--	D	----	----	1260	----	Hunting camp
	12-1 NE-NE	E. H. Maki	Elliot	1926	5	240	Br	D	----	----	1280	----	
	16-1 NE-NW	H. Codd	Johnson	1947	4	65	Gd	D	5	1947	1260	----	
	23-1 SE-SW	M. Wolfe	----	----	48	13	Gd	D	3.24	6-14-67	1380	----	Hunting camp
47N 40W	3-1 SW-NW	H. Anderson	Johnson	1957	5	92	Br?	D	----	----	1180	----	Very hard water
	4-1 SW-NW	F. Jaakkola	Johnson	1936	4	165	Br	D	35	----	1245	100±	Very hard water
	5-1 NE-NW	L. Ojaniemi Sr.	Johnson	----	4	200±	Br?	D	----	----	1220	----	Very hard water
	13-1 SW-NW	O. Lorendo Sr.	Johnson	1934	5	167	Gd	D	127	1934	1300	----	
48N 38W	13-1 SW-SW	E. Coburn	Elliot	1924	5	145	Br	D	----	----	1250	20	Water slightly cloudy
	25-1 NW-SW	W. Besio	Johnson	1950	5	125	Br	D	90	1950	1240	20	
	30-1 NW-NW	C. Barthelmew	Johnson	----	6	235	Br	P	17	----	1180	----	Supplies dwelling & church
48N 39W	9-1 NE-SE	B. Johnson	----	1936	6	86	Gd	D	----	----	1140	----	Very hard water
	12-1 SW-SE	A. Remta	Lampi	1940	4	174	Br	D	70	1967	1160	80	Very hard water
	13-1 SW-NW	Wm. Burks	----	1930	5	175	Br	D	70	1967	1150	----	Very hard water
	20-1 SW-SW	Wm. Andrus	Johnson	1956	5	100	Br?	P	----	----	1160	----	Supplies dwelling & restaurant
	21-1 NE-SE	Vern Hamming	Johnson	1946	5	310	Br	P	Flows	6-21-67	1140	----	Supplies 12 dwellings
	21-2 SE-SE	Ontonagon Valley Creamery Ass'n.	----	1947	8	482	Br	P	Flows	8-11-67	1140	370	Supplies creamery. Flows 18 gpm. Stand-by hook-up to 5 business places.
	22-1 NW-NW	G. Kotila	Johnson	1967	5	190	Br	P	16	1967	1120	120	
	24-1 SW-SW	E. Pokela	Johnson	1966	5	151	Br	D	76	1966	1260	96	
	26-1 NE-NE	Haapala Bros.	Johnson	1966	5	95	Gd	D	65	1966	1290	----	
	27-1 SE-NE	R. Suhonen	Lampi	1950	6	350	Br	D	Flows	6-21-47	1180	300	Supplies 4 dwellings
	28-1 NE-NE	T. A. Nordine	Johnson	1947	4	325	Br	P	Flows	8-11-67	1130	250	Supplies store & 25 dwellings
	29-1 NE-SE	R. Jacobson	Lampi	1950	4	250	Br	D	Flows	6-19-67	1140	245	No pump; artesian pressure supplies 2 dwellings
	31-1 NE-NW	G. Neimi	Johnson	1967	5	230	Br	D	90	1967	1280	191	
	34-1 NW-SW	H. Juopperi	Owner	1923	48	23	Gd	D	----	----	1180	----	Supplies 2 dwellings
48N 40W	2-1 NW-NE	I. Peters	Johnson	1945	6	206	Br	D	120	1962	1230	100	Very hard water
	5-1 SW-NE	J. Novak	----	----	4	120	Gd	D	----	----	1280	----	
	7-1 SE-NW	A. Novak	Johnson	1929	4	312	Br	D	113	1966	1300	----	
	10-1 SW-SE	M. Mattson	Johnson	1947	5	219	Br	D	----	----	1160	200	
	14-1 SE-NE	T. Nykanen	Johnson	----	5	70	Gd?	D	----	----	1200	----	
	17-1 NE-NE	J. Strnad	Elliot	1910	5	--	Br	D	70	1967	1280	140	Supplies 150 head of stock
	18-1 SW-SW	R. Lahde	----	----	4	265	Br	D	65	1966	1240	----	Drilled before 1900
	20-1 SE-SW	J. Wolfe	Wolfe	----	5	150	Br	D	----	----	1240	80	Very hard, equipped with softner
	21-1 SW-SW	E. Werahech	Johnson	----	5	114	Br	D	60	1965	1240	----	Very hard water
	24-1 SE-SE	A. Peltto	Johnson	1967	5	92	Gd	D	62	1967	1230	----	Very hard water
	26-1 NW-SW	McMillan Twp.	Johnson	1960	5	473	Br	P	Flows	1967	1140	206	Flows with 12 lb. pressure
48N 41W	1-1 NW-SW	F. Micheletti	Johnson	1950	5	120	Br	D	----	----	1220	----	
	6-1 NE-SW	N. Bada	----	1929	4	146	Br	D	17	1961	1280	40±	Jet set at 40 feet. Has pumped 48 hrs
	8-1 NW-NW	Wm. Wilbur	----	----	4	90	Br	D	----	----	1260	----	Has supplied large dairy herd
	18-1 NE-NE	G. Korich	Johnson	1952	5	115	Br	D	55	1952	1280	50	
	19-1 SW-NW	H. Monfills	----	1918	5	180	Br?	D	----	----	1300	----	Shallow well jet pump
	25-1 NW-NW	L. Jarchow	----	----	6	300±	Br	D	----	----	1220	----	At times supply not equal to demands of large dairy herd
48N 42W	5-1 NW-NE	W. J. McAllister	Johnson	----	5	50	Br	P	15	1967	1330	----	Supplies 10 cottages
	5-2 NW-NE	U.S.F.S.	----	----	5	156	Br	P	41	1957	1320	----	Low yield reported
	6-1 SE-NE	R. Johnson	Johnson	1967	5	52	Gd	D	35	1967	1440	----	Test pumped at 3½ gpm
48N 43W	11-1 SE-NE	W. Johnson	Johnson	1966	5	181	Br	D	33	1966	1330	160	
	13-1 SE-SW	Ontonagon Co.	Nordine	1956	5	60	Br	P	4	1956	1300	12	Water is very hard
	29-1 SE-SE	J. Berga	----	----	5	--	Gd?	D	----	----	1360	----	Supplies hunting camp
	29-2 SE-SE	Gustafson	----	----	--	--	Gd?	D	----	----	1360	----	Probably a dug well
49N 39W	21-1 NE-SE	M. Reatikka	Johnson	1942	6	111	Gd	D	40	1942	1020	----	
	27-1 SE-SE	H. Johnson	Johnson	1948	6	287	Br	D	100	1967	1080	----	

Table 1.—Records of Wells.—Continued

Well Number	Location in Section	Owner	Driller	Date Drilled	Diameter in inches	Depth in feet	Aquifer	Use	Water level	Date	Altitude	Depth to bedrock	Remarks
49N 40W 31-1	SW-NW	H. Goldberg	Johnson	1947	—	180	Br?	D	----	----	1240	----	
49N 42W 20-1	SE-SE	H. Sirela	Owner	----	3	30	Gd	D	----	----	1330	----	
	20-2	SW-SW	E. Johnson	1940	6	147	Gd	D	----	----	1360	----	Some water at 80 ft.
	33-1	SW-SW	Bergland Twp.	1962	8	26	Gd	P	15	1967	1360	----	Production well no. 1
	33-2	SW-SW	Bergland Twp.	1962	8	26	Gd	P	15	1967	1360	----	Production well no. 2
49N 44W 23-1	NE-SW	R. E. Moore	Rice	1938	5	92	Br	D	0	1938	1380	5	Abandoned logging camp
50N 37W 4-1	SE-SW	U.S.F.S.	----	1960	5	316	Gd	P	109	1960	1160	----	Courtney Lake campground
	29-1	NW-NW	G. Hukkanen	1965	1½	34	Gd	D	22	1967	1105	----	Screen plugs
	29-2	SE-NW	I. J. Brown	1957	1½	30	Gd	D	15	1967	1140	----	Dug well cribbed with tile point driven in bottom
50N 38W 2-1	NE-SW	Wm. Kieranen	Owner	----	48	30	Br	D	----	----	1180	20	
	5-1	SE-NE	Mich. Dept Cons.	1940	5	246	Br	P	----	----	1060	----	Mass Field Office
	5-2	SW-NE	M. & D. Plutchak	1959	5	220	Br	P	----	----	1060	----	Supplies 5 users
	5-3	NE-NW	W. Lamas	1967	5	77	Gd	D	10	1967	1070	----	
	8-1	NE-NE	S. Bjorkman	1947	6	515	Br	D	----	----	1060	----	550 ppm chloride
	9-1	NE-NW	E. Heikka	1948	24	14	Gd	D	----	----	1020	----	Over pumping will cause failure but well recovers in 4-8 hrs
	14-1	SW-SW	Wm. Ahola	----	—	—	Gd	D	----	----	1100	----	Dug well, very hard water
	17-1	SE-SW	F. Juno	1925	5	138	Br	D	----	----	1050	----	Very hard water
	23-1	SE-SE	L. Aho	1960	5	150	Br	D	68.53	7-25-67	1160	16	
	24-1	NE-NW	J. Robb	1957	5	800	Br	D	----	----	1165	----	
	24-2	SE-NE	A. Kaurala	----	5	90	Gd?	D	----	----	1120	----	Very hard water
	28-1	NW-NW	C. Weisinger	----	5	190	Br	D	----	----	1080	----	
	34-1	NE-NW	T. Keto	1957	—	150	Br?	D	----	----	1010	----	Equipped with shallow well jet pump
50N 39W 9-1	SE-SE	Rockland Twp.	----	1963	—	31	Gd	T	9	1963	1180	31	Test hole, abandoned
	9-2	SE-SE	Rockland Twp.	1900±	168	20	Gd	P	----	----	1180	----	Supplies town of Rockland
	23-1	NW-NW	G. Fenebor	1939	5	115	Gd	D	50	1967	1010	----	
	27-1	NE-SE	Mich. Highway Dept.	----	6	90	Gd?	P	5	1967	680	----	Military Bridge roadside park
	29-1	SW	U. P. Power Co.	1907	36	—	Gd	P	Flows	1967	1040	----	Supplies 3 dwellings
50N 41W 8-1	SE-NE	W. Hoover	Owner	1943	48	16	Gd	D	6	1943	900	----	Reduced yield in very dry years
51N 37W 26-1	SE-SW	G. Allapert	Johnson Bros.	1958	5	440	Br	D	Flows	8-2-67	1050	364	Flows with enough pressure to supply modern domestic system
	30-1	SE-SW	J. O'Meara	----	5	305	Br	P	60	1967	1030	225	Supplies store and dwelling
	31-1	NE-SE	Mich. Highway Dept.	1927±	—	1500?	Br	P	Flows	7-26-67	990	----	Copper exploration hole, has flowed since 1927
51N 38W 3-1	NE-NE	E. Ahola	Hady	1949	5	70	Br	D	15	----	830	63	Water silty after prolonged pumping
	26-1	SW-SW	C. Guilbault	1964	5	80	Gd	D	10	----	1160	----	Several nearby wells at some depth
	35-1	NW-NW	G. Thomas	----	36	20	Gd	P	----	----	1140	----	Supplies service station
51N 39W 2-1	SE-NE	P. Kettunen	Former owner	----	36	14	Br	D	----	----	780	----	Shallow Will fail in dry years
	7-1	NW-NE	M. Schuster	1920	36	14	Gd	D	----	----	760	----	
	7-2	NW-NE	M. Schuster	1945	5	269	Br	D	165	1945	760	165	Very hard, high chloride
	11-1	NW-SE	G. Doughty	----	6	90	Br?	P	Flows	8-3-67	785	----	Flows less than 1 gpm 2 feet above land surface
	11-2	SE-NW	G. Doughty	----	4	50	Gd	S	11	1967	800	----	Supplies beef herd
	11-3	SE-NW	G. Doughty	1934	3	50	Gd	D	11	----	800	----	Will go dry in dry years
	12-1	NW-SW	M. Willmes	1950	5	83	Br	D	0	1967	790	70	Used to flow above land surface
	16-1	NW-SW	J. Isbyak	1940	6	158	Br	D	6	1967	840	7	
	21-1	SW-NE	H. Juntunen	1918	48	30	Gd	D	----	----	880	----	Will go dry in dry years
	35-1	NE-NW	J. Dahl	1947	5	285	Br	D	10	1967	950	20	
	36-1	NE-SE	E. Paulson	1942	4	203	Br	D	Flows	8-9-67	860	30	Flowing less than 1 gpm to waste 3 ft above land surface
51N 40W 6-1	SW-SE	R. Kosey	Owner	1958	24	10	Gd	D	6	1967	620	----	Fails after pumping 8 gpm for 1 hour
	6-2	SW-SE	L. Weisinger	1962	24	9	Gd	D	7	1967	620	----	0.2 ppm of iron
	6-3	SW-SE	L. Weisinger	1962	1½	7	Gd	D	5	1962	620	----	Over 4.0 ppm of iron
	7-1	NE-NE	N. Store	1959	5	75	Br	D	----	----	640	----	Supplies 2 dwellings. Wells 94' and 130' deep drilled on some premises were abandoned because of high chloride
	7-2	SE-SE	A. Daniels	----	24	12	Gd	D	4.98	7-14-67	680	----	
	9-1	NW-NW	L. H. Witt	----	5	168	Br	D	20	1966	660	107	400 ppm of chloride
	10-1	NE-NE	G. Domitrovich	1962	5	80	Br	D	50	1962	680	----	Supplies 4 dwellings and large dairy herd
	17-1	SW-SW	F. Bercoemer	1912	4½	84	Br	D	----	----	705	----	Will pump dry, but recovers quickly
	23-1	SW-SW	F. Domitrovich Jr.	1937	—	165	Br	D	----	----	780	----	Equipped with shallow well jet pump
	27-1	SE-SW	W. Dokmanovich	1932	—	220	Br	D	7	1967	840	25	Will supply large dairy herd
	34-1	NW-SW	T. Chamberlain	1954	5	245	Br	D	28	1967	840	49	Supplies dwelling and large beef herd
	34-2	NW-SW	T. Chamberlain	1930	48	49	Gd	D	15	1967	840	----	Now used as stand-by unit

Table 1.--Records of Wells.--Continued

Well Number	Location in Section	Owner	Driller	Date drilled	Diameter in inches	Depth in feet	Aquifer	Use	Water level	Date	Altitude	Depth to bedrock	Remarks
51N 41W	8-1 SE-NW	Mich. Dept. of Cons.	Stephenson	1958	6	100	Br	O	11.73	10-15-58	620	21	Water supply for former Conservation-Corrections Camp Jet set at 101 ft. 400 ppm Chloride Poor yield in dry years Unfit for drinking, 1600 ppm chloride Test pumped 48 hours
	8-2 SE-NW	Mich. Dept. of Cons.	Stephenson	1958	6	65	Br	P	5.98	8-1-58	610	7	
	11-1 NE-NW	G. Makela	Johnson	1959	5	120	Br	D	----	----	620	27	
	12-1 NE-SE	O. Lavine	Owner	1947	1½	60	Gd	D	30	1967	640	----	
	12-2 SE-SE	E. Walimaki	Johnson	1964	5	86	Br	D	----	----	660	----	
51N 42W	24-1 SE-NE	A. Poulos	----	1964	5	46	Br	D	4	1964	730	20	Test pumped 48 hours
	25-1 SE-NE	Wm. Myhren	----	1925	5	60	Br	D	8½	1925	775	----	
51N 42W	12-1 NE-SW	V. Anderson	----	----	48	9	Gd	P	3.53	7-14-67	630	----	Supplies dwelling and motel Supplies dwelling, bar and restaurant. Sometimes fails during February and March Abandoned, poor water quality
	12-2 NW-SE	J. Spolarich	----	1965	8	59	Br	P	5	1965	620	9	
	15-1 NE	Mich. Dept. of Cons.	----	1947	2	130	Br	T	125	1947	615	18	
52N 38W	28-1 SW-SW	R. Koshi	Gleason	1940	5	40	Br	D	----	----	860	8	Equipped with deep well jet pump. Can be pumped dry, but recovers fast Yield too small to supply automatic clothes washer
	31-1 NE-NE	Wm. Rankola	Thompson	1961	6	90	Br	D	----	----	820	12	
52N 39W	34-1 NE-NE	E. Koshi	Heiti	1946	6	120	Br	D	----	----	800	110	Well has been in service many years. Present owner sounded well when installing electric pump Unfit for drinking or cooking very hard and high in chloride
	13-1 SW-NE	R. Watt	----	----	--	26	Gd	D	4	1967	640	----	
	14-1 SE-SW	P. Bittner	Owner	1921	5	32	Br	D	4	1967	620	4	
	21-1 SW-SE	S. Mazurek	Gleason	1920	6	50	Br	D	----	----	720	4	
	26-1 SE-SW	E. Markie	----	----	6	100	Br	D	9	----	730	----	
52N 39W	29-1 SE-SE	G. Broemer	Johnson	1947	6	107	Br	D	12	1947	720	18	Over 4.0 ppm of iron. Other wells in immediate area reported high in iron Two 1½ casings with drive points connected to a shallow well jet pump supply large motel and resort. Points corrode and must be replaced at two year intervals. Abandoned not enough water for motel 3.5 ppm of Iron
	30-1 SW-NE	Wm. Stenson Jr.	----	1947	6	58	Br	D	----	----	640	----	
	32-1 SE-SE	H. J. DeHut Sr.	Gleason	1937	4	160	Br	D	16	1967	720	----	
	33-1 SW-NW	M. Daniels	----	----	5	180	Br	D	----	----	720	----	
	35-1 NE-SW	S. Domitrovich	Owner	1959	1½	23	Gd	D	19	1959	640	----	
52N 40W	34-1 NW-SW	F. Zimmer	Bishop	1953	5	52	Br	D	12	1967	610	12	Over 4.0 ppm of iron. Other wells in immediate area reported high in iron Two 1½ casings with drive points connected to a shallow well jet pump supply large motel and resort. Points corrode and must be replaced at two year intervals. Abandoned not enough water for motel 3.5 ppm of Iron
	35-1 NE-NW	Edw. Hokans	Owner	1950	1½	19	Gd	P	13	1967	620	----	
	35-2 NE-NW	Edw. Hokans	Johnson	1958	6	98	Gd	P	----	----	620	98	
52N 37W	11-1 SW-NE	K. Wiideman	----	----	48x60	10	Gd	D	----	----	620	----	Dug well, concrete cribbing
52N 37W	13-1 NE-NW	Bohemia Twp.	----	1956	5	108	Gd	P	Flows	7-27-67	740	----	Flows 2 gpm 2 ft. above land surface More than 4.0 ppm of iron. Owner hauls drinking water from well 13-1
	24-1 NE-SW	S. Olson	Former owner	1925	48	--	Gd	D	----	----	850	----	

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Table 2.--Records of Springs

Altitude estimated from U.S.G.S. topographic maps.  
Chemical analysis made in the field by U.S.G.S. personnel.

Use: D - Domestic; P - Public supply; S - Stock;  
P - Pond; N - None

< - Less than > - More than

Well Number	Location in Section ↓ ↓	Owner	Altitude (ft above msl.)	Use	Estimated yield in gpm	Date Sampled	Water temp. °C	Specific conductance (micromhos at 25°)	Hardness mg/l	Iron mg/l	Chloride mg/l	pH	Remarks
46N 39W	9-2 NE-SE	R. Gay	1330	P	2	6-14-67	65	140	65	<0.1	--	7.3	Spring in bottom of 75 x 100 ft trout pond 11 feet deep. Water temperature taken in pond at a depth of 5 feet.
49N 41W	11-1 SE-NE	Copper Range Co.	1125	D	<1	7-7-67	42	75	30	<0.1	<5	6.0	Water supply for hunting camp. 4 ft x 4 ft stone cribbing 2 ft deep. Water seeps upward thru white sand.
49N 42W	21-1 SW-SW	S. Bozich	1300	D	10	7-11-67	42	270	65	<0.1	20	7.2	3 ft steel culvert buried in discharge point, pump suction line to house.
	21-2 SW-SW	S. Bozich	1300	N	5	7-11-67	--	400	153	0.6	70	6.5	Abandoned rock cribbing. Spring 21-1 only. 50 feet west, note difference in chemical quality.
50N 38W	10-1 SW-NW	F. M. Savela	1080	S	--	7-25-67	--	470	221	<0.1	5	7.8	3 x 8 ft metal culvert buried at discharge point, pump suction line to barn, has supplied 50 head of stock.
	10-2 NW-SW	Chicago, Milwaukee and St Paul R.R.	1055	P	<1	7-25-67	47	395	195	<0.1	<5	8.0	3 ft clay tile 4 ft deep. Wooden shed over spring. Considerable use as a source of drinking water by local people.
	35-1 SW-NW	C. Andrews	955	D	1	7-27-67	49	650	290	<0.1	<5	7.0	Covered 18 inch culvert buried in spring, water moves by gravity through plastic pipe to discharge point near house, about 6 ft lower than spring.
	36-1 SW-NW	J. Wagner	985	D	2	6-25-67	44.5	170	50	<0.1	<5	8.0	4 x 4 ft wood cribbing, 4 ft deep, gravity flow through plastic pipe to pump. Water cloudy.
50N 41W	16-1 NW-NW	J. Pelletier	1000	D	10	7-11-67	42	225	110	0.1	<5	8.0	Water bubbles up through white sand. Cement block house over 6 x 7 ft concrete collector. Water is pumped to house and barn.
	16-2 SW-NW	J. Pelletier	1000	N	3	7-11-67	--	225	100	0.4	<5	7.5	Water bubbles up through white sand. Concrete collector 3 ft in diameter. Water has slight hydrogen-sulfide odor.
50N 43W	2-1 SW-SE	J. Sanderson	1010	P	<1	7-12-67	58	270	120	0.1	<5	7.8	Two steel drums sunk in spring. Supplies hunting camp.
51N 40W	20-1 SW-NW	R. Funke	700	D	1	7-14-67	--	55	15	0.4	<5	6.0	24 inch tile buried in spring. Suction line from bottom of tile to pump at house. Can be pumped dry during dry periods.
51N 42W	12-3 NW-SE	J. Spolarich	930	N	1	7-14-67	48	65	15	<0.1	<5	5.9	Water bubbles up through gravel into 6 x 14 ft concrete tank 4 ft deep. Used as stand by domestic supply.
	20-1 NW-SW	Mich. Dept. of Cons.	1065	N	>100	7-12-67	45	175	65	<0.1	<5	7.1	Water bubbles up through white sand, large intermittent boils emerge at different places at times. The pool is about 100 ft in diameter and 3 to 5 feet deep.
51N 43W	14-1 NE-SW	Mich. Dept. of Cons.	1160	P	--	7-14-67	43	300	100	<0.1	<5	7.5	Water comes from horizontal shaft (adit) of old Carp Lake Mine. Water is stored behind a concrete bulkhead about 50 feet in from opening at roadside. Water moves by gravity to drinking fountain in roadside park.

Table 3.--Logs of wells in Ontonagon Co.

Thickness in feet. Depth in feet below land surface.  
Altitude in feet above mean sea level, estimated from U.S.G.S. topographic maps

Thick- ness		Depth	Thick- ness		Depth	Thick- ness		Depth
TOWNSHIP 46 NORTH; RANGE 38 WEST			48N 39W 27-1 R. Suhonen SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 27			TOWNSHIP 50 NORTH; RANGE 37 WEST		
46N 38W 30-1 (test hole, observation well)			Clay and sand			50N 37W 4-1		
U.S. Forest Service			300			U.S. Forest Service		
SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 30			50			SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 4		
Altitude: 1530			350			Altitude: 1160		
Medium yellow sand, silt			48N 39W 28-1			Sand		
3			T. A. Nordine			147		
3			NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 28			Clay, red		
6			Altitude: 1130			93		
6			Clay			22		
11			250			262		
20			75			316		
63			48N 39W 29-1			TOWNSHIP 50 NORTH; RANGE 38 WEST		
77			R. Jacobson			50 N 38W 5-3		
Very coarse gravel, boulder or ledge at 77 feet			NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 29			W. Lamsa		
			Altitude: 1140			NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 5		
			Clay			Altitude: 1070		
			245			Clay		
			5			Sand and gravel		
			250			50		
			48N 39W 31-1			27		
			C. Neimi			77		
			NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 31			TOWNSHIP 50 NORTH; RANGE 41 WEST		
			Altitude: 1280			50N 41W 8-1		
			Sandy clay, rocks			W. Hoover		
			20			SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 8		
			40			Altitude: 900		
			60			Clay		
			120			Silt and sand		
			180			15		
			11			1		
			39			16		
			230			TOWNSHIP 51 NORTH; RANGE 37 WEST		
			TOWNSHIP 48 NORTH; RANGE 40 WEST			51N 37W 26-1		
			48N 40W 24-1			C. Allapert		
			A. Felto			SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 26		
			SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 24			Altitude: 1050		
			Altitude: 1230			Sandy loam		
			Clay			5		
			15			359		
			15			76		
			20			440		
			35			51N 37W 30-1		
			45			J. O'Meara		
			89			SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 30		
			92			Clay		
			7			Sandstone		
			52			255		
			15			50		
			45			TOWNSHIP 51 NORTH; RANGE 39 WEST		
			7			51N 39W 11-3		
			52			G. Doughty		
			TOWNSHIP 48 NORTH; RANGE 43 WEST			SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 11		
			48N 43W 11-1			Altitude: 800		
			Walter Johnson			Clay		
			SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 11			50		
			Altitude: 1330			50		
			Surface sand			51N 39W 12-1		
			50			M. Willmes		
			50			NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 12		
			80			Altitude: 790		
			140			Clay		
			160			20		
			181			40		
			48N 43W 13-1			60		
			Ontonagon Co. Park			70		
			SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 13			83		
			Altitude: 1300			10		
			Clay			70		
			10			20		
			12			60		
			60			70		
			60			83		
			48N 39W 24-1			51N 39W 35-1		
			E. Fokela			J. Dahl		
			SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 24			NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 35		
			Altitude: 1260			Altitude: 950		
			Clay, sandy, pebbles			Clay		
			60			20		
			80			40		
			90			60		
			96			70		
			151			83		
			48N 39W 26-1			51N 39W 35-1		
			Haapala Brothers			J. Dahl		
			NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 26			NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 35		
			Altitude: 1290			Altitude: 950		
			Sandy topsoil			Clay		
			15			20		
			85			20		
			95			285		
			TOWNSHIP 49 NORTH; RANGE 44 WEST			TOWNSHIP 51 NORTH; RANGE 41 WEST		
			49N 44W 23-1			51N 41W 8-1		
			K. E. Moore			Michigan Dept. of Conservation		
			NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 23			SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 8		
			Altitude: 1380			Altitude: 620		
			Topsoil			Clay, silty and sandy, brown		
			5			15		
			92			6		
			Sandstone, red			21		
						4		
						25		

Table 3.--Logs of wells in Ontonagon Co.--Continued

	Thick- ness	Depth	Thick- ness	Dep Depth	Thick- ness	Depth
51N 41W 8-1 (Continued)						
Sandstone, brown, medium to very fine grained	5	30				
Sandstone, brown, very fine to coarse grained	5	35				
Sandstone, brown, medium grained, dirty, calcareous cementing material, at least in part.		30				65
Some water at about 40 feet and some water at about 65 feet						
Sandstone, brown, very fine to coarse grained	10	75				
Sandstone, brown, fine to medium grained	20	95				
Sandstone, brown, very fine to medium grained, some brown shale	5	100				
51N 41W 8-2						
Mich. Dept. of Conservation						
SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 8						
Altitude: 610						
Silt, very sandy, brown	8	8				
Sandstone, brown, fine grained, micaceous	7	15				
Sandstone, dark brown, very fine to fine grained, micaceous	15	30				
Sandstone, brown, very fine to coarse grained, micaceous	10	40				
Sandstone, brown, very fine to medium grained, micaceous	15	55				
Sandstone, dark brown, fine grained micaceous	10	65				
TOWNSHIP 52 NORTH;						
RANGE 40 WEST						
52N 40W 35-2 (abandoned, insufficient water)						
Edw. Hokans						
NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 35						
Altitude: 620						
Sand	15	15				
Hardpan	2	17				
Gravel	2	19				
Hardpan, very hard	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	20 $\frac{1}{2}$				
Sand, fine	20	40 $\frac{1}{2}$				
Clay	57 $\frac{1}{2}$	98				
Sandstone at 98 feet						

Table 4.--Well Yields - Ontonagon Co.

Well Number	Aquifer Per - Precambrian rocks Gd - Glacial drift	Yield (gpm)	Drawdown (feet)	Duration of test (hours)	Specific capacity (gal/min/ft drawdown)
46N 39W 15-1	Gd	20	2.5	-	8.0
47N 38W 12-2	Gd	30	10	1	3.0
48N 39W 22-1	Per	10	84	1	0.11
24-1	Per	5	24	1	2.0
26-1	Gd	10	2	5	5.0
31-1	Per	5	10	1	0.5
48N 40W 24-1	Gd	5	8	1	0.6
48N 43W 11-1	Per	5	77	2	0.6
13-1	Per	16	14	3	1.1
50N 38W 5-3	Gd	10	10	1	1.0
51N 41W 8-1	Per	3	65	2	0.5
8-2	Per	20	11.7	9	1.7

TABLE 5.--Chemical analysis of water from wells

Aquifer: Per - Precambrian rocks; Gd - Glacial drift.

Well Number	Aquifer	Date	Iron (Fe) in mg/l	Bicarbonate (HCO <sub>3</sub> ) in mg/l	Sulfate (SO <sub>4</sub> ) in mg/l	Chloride (Cl) in mg/l	Alkalinity in mg/l	Hardness (CaCO <sub>3</sub> ) in mg/l	Specific Conductance (Micromohs at 25°C)	pH	Temperature (°C)
46N 38W 5-1	Gd	6-14-67	>4.0	--	--	5	--	85	190	7.0	7.2
46N 39W 9-1	Gd	6-14-67	0.6	--	--	105	--	115	490	6.0	7.2
15-1	Gd	6-14-67	0.2	--	--	<5	--	115	205	7.8	5.6
15-2	Gd	6-14-67	0.2	--	--	--	--	110	205	7.8	5.6
47N 38W 1-1	Gd	7-31-67	>4.0	--	--	<5	--	50	135	6.5	--
1-2	Gd	7-31-67	<0.1	--	--	<5	--	65	190	7.9	--
15-1	Gd	6-20-67	<0.1	--	--	<5	--	200	360	8.0	6.7
16-1	Gd	6-15-67	0.3	--	--	--	--	30	65	6.0	--
47N 39W 7-1	--	6-14-67	0.3	--	--	--	--	115	235	7.9	5.6
12-1	Per	6-14-67	<0.1	--	--	--	--	85	180	7.9	--
16-1	Gd	6-14-67	<0.1	--	--	--	--	110	215	7.9	8.9
23-1	Gd	6-14-67	1.5	--	--	--	--	30	65	6.1	5.6
47N 40W 3-1	Per?	7-5-67	2.5	--	--	10	--	612	1100	7.0	7.2
4-1	Per	7-6-67	<0.1	--	--	<5	--	510	1075	7.2	--
5-1	Per?	7-6-67	0.7	--	--	<5	--	459	925	7.8	7.8
13-1	Gd	6-21-67	<0.1	--	--	<5	--	102	230	7.9	6.7
48N 38W 13-1	Per	7-31-67	<0.1	--	--	<5	--	34	80	5.5	--
25-1	Per	6-15-67	<0.1	--	--	<5	--	65	135	6.2	--
30-1	Per	6-20-67	<0.1	--	--	<5	--	150	280	7.5	--
48N 39W 9-1	Gd	6-20-67	<0.1	--	--	5	--	320	660	7.3	--
12-1	Per	6-20-67	<0.1	--	--	<5	--	320	640	7.1	--
13-1	Per	6-20-67	<0.1	--	--	10	--	185	345	7.8	6.7
20-1	--	6-21-67	0.8	--	--	<5	--	390	725	7.3	--
21-1	Per	6-21-67	<0.1	--	--	<5	--	100	180	7.9	--
21-2	Per	8-11-67	<0.1	--	--	<5	--	65	210	8.0	8.3
22-1	Per	8-17-67	<0.1	--	--	<5	--	50	200	7.9	--
27-1	Per	6-21-67	<0.1	--	--	<5	--	65	175	7.9	--
28-1	Per	8-11-67	<0.1	129	3	<5	106	90	230	8.0	7.8
29-1	Per	6-19-67	<0.1	--	--	<5	--	119	280	7.9	7.8
34-1	Gd	6-19-67	<0.1	--	--	10	--	100	280	6.0	--
48N 40W 2-1	Per	6-21-67	<0.1	--	--	5	--	300	620	7.9	--
5-1	Gd	7-6-67	<0.1	--	--	<5	--	200	400	7.8	--
7-1	Per	7-6-67	<0.1	--	--	<5	--	100	240	7.9	7.2
10-1	Per	7-5-67	1.5	--	--	<5	--	235	550	7.5	--
14-1	Gd?	6-21-67	<0.1	--	--	<5	--	270	590	7.8	--
17-1	Per	7-5-67	<0.1	--	--	<5	--	170	500	8.0	8.9
18-1	Per	7-6-67	<0.1	--	--	5	--	150	380	8.0	7.2
21-1	Per	7-6-67	0.7	--	--	<5	--	425	925	7.5	--
24-1	Gd	6-21-67	<0.1	--	--	10	--	440	875	7.5	--
48N 41W 1-1	Per	7-7-67	0.2	--	--	<5	--	150	480	7.8	--
6-1	Per	7-15-67	<0.1	--	--	<5	--	150	390	7.9	--
8-1	Per	7-15-67	0.4	--	--	<5	--	270	600	7.6	--
18-1	Per	7-6-67	<0.1	--	--	<5	--	135	270	7.5	6.7
19-1	Per?	7-15-67	<0.1	--	--	<5	--	115	285	7.9	--
25-1	Per	7-7-67	<0.1	--	--	15	--	150	400	7.5	--
48N 42W 5-1	Per	7-15-67	<0.1	--	--	175	--	270	850	7.9	--
5-2	Per	9-21-67	<0.1	142	5	<5	116	85	230	8.0	--

TABLE 5.-- Chemical analysis of water from wells--continued

Well Number	Aquifer	Date	Iron (Fe) in mg/l	Bicarbonate (HCO <sub>3</sub> ) in mg/l	Sulfate (SO <sub>4</sub> ) in mg/l	Chloride (Cl) in mg/l	Alkalinity in mg/l	Hardness (CaCO <sub>3</sub> ) in mg/l	Specific Conductance (Micromohs at 25°C)	pH	Temperature (°C)
48N 43W 11-1	Per	7-15-67	<0.1	--	--	25	--	30	225	8.0	--
13-1	Per	6-15-67	<0.1	--	--	60	--	300	630	7.0	5.6
29-1	Gd?	7-12-67	0.7	--	--	<5	--	65	170	7.8	5.6
29-2	Gd?	7-12-67	0.5	--	--	<5	--	15	85	5.2	8.9
49N 39W 21-1	Gd	6-20-67	<0.1	--	--	5	--	100	300	8.0	--
27-1	Per	6-20-67	<0.1	--	--	5	--	220	495	7.9	--
49N 40W 31-1	Per?	7-7-67	<0.1	--	--	5	--	150	315	7.9	--
49N 42W 20-1	Gd	7-11-67	<0.1	--	--	<5	--	85	190	7.9	--
20-2	Gd	7-11-67	<0.1	--	--	<5	--	115	235	7.9	5.6
49N 44W 23-1	Per	7-14-67	0.1	--	--	<5	--	30	135	9.0	5.6
50N 37W 4-1	Gd	8-2-67	<0.1	144	2	<5	118	85	220	7.9	--
29-1	Gd	7-26-67	<0.1	79	5	<5	65	65	155	8.4	--
29-2	Gd	7-26-67	0.7	--	--	20	--	15	120	5.7	7.8
50N 38W 2-1	Per	8-2-67	<0.1	--	--	15	--	235	570	7.1	--
5-1	Per	8-2-67	<0.1	--	--	20	--	85	240	7.9	--
5-2	Per	8-2-67	<0.1	--	--	10	--	30	190	7.9	--
5-3	Gd	9-21-67	<0.1	161	8	<5	132	100	250	7.9	--
8-1	Per	7-25-67	0.4	--	--	550	--	255	1950	7.8	--
9-1	Gd	7-25-67	<0.1	--	--	5	--	100	330	7.1	--
14-1	Gd	7-25-67	<0.1	--	--	5	--	440	900	7.1	--
17-1	Per	7-26-67	0.2	--	--	10	--	510	1000	7.5	7.8
23-1	Per	7-25-67	<0.1	--	--	--	--	150	300	6.5	--
24-1	Per	7-26-67	<0.1	176	3	7	144	140	300	8.0	--
24-2	Gd?	7-26-67	<0.1	--	--	<5	--	340	700	7.2	--
28-1	Per	7-26-67	<0.1	--	--	<5	--	270	560	7.0	7.8
34-1	Per?	7-25-67	<0.1	--	--	<5	--	100	290	7.5	--
50N 39W 23-1	Gd	7-25-67	0.2	--	--	5	--	30	190	8.0	--
27-1	Gd?	8-9-67	0.7	--	--	30	--	85	330	7.8	7.8
29-1	Gd	8-9-67	0.2	--	--	<5	--	135	340	7.9	--
50N 41W 8-1	Gd	7-11-67	<0.1	--	--	85	--	235	800	7.1	7.2
51N 37W 26-1	Per	8-2-67	0.2	168	2	<5	138	120	270	8.1	6.7
30-1	Per	8-2-67	0.3	--	--	15	--	15	225	9.0	--
31-1	Per	7-26-67	<0.1	--	--	500	--	275	1700	8.0	7.2
51N 38W 3-1	Per	8-16-67	0.5	--	--	10	--	85	600	7.5	--
26-1	Gd	8-2-67	0.7	--	--	10	--	200	440	7.8	--
35-1	Gd	8-2-67	0.2	--	--	20	--	150	330	7.5	--
51N 39W 2-1	Per	8-3-67	<0.1	--	--	5	--	270	640	7.0	--
7-1	Gd	8-3-67	0.1	--	--	70	--	200	630	6.9	--
7-2	Per	8-3-67	<0.1	--	--	1150	--	400	4500	7.7	--
11-1	Per?	8-3-67	0.1	--	--	<5	--	110	250	7.9	7.4
11-2	Gd	8-3-67	<0.1	--	--	<5	--	50	190	7.8	--
11-3	Gd	8-3-67	<0.1	--	--	15	--	320	690	7.0	--
12-1	Per	8-1-67	<0.1	173	3	<5	142	60	290	8.0	--
16-1	Per	8-3-67	<0.1	--	--	30	--	15	625	8.0	--
21-1	Gd	8-9-67	0.1	388	4	<5	318	145	560	7.9	--
35-1	Per	8-9-67	0.3	--	--	10	--	185	520	7.1	--
36-1	Per	8-9-67	<0.1	--	--	100	--	150	700	7.3	7.8

TABLE 5.--Chemical analysis of water from wells--continued

Well Number	Aquifer	Date	Iron (Fe) in mg/l	Bicarbonate (HCO <sub>3</sub> ) in mg/l	Sulfate (SO <sub>4</sub> ) in mg/l	Chloride (Cl) in mg/l	Alkalinity in mg/l	Hardness (CaCO <sub>3</sub> ) in mg/l	Specific Conductance (Micromohs at 25°C)	pH	Temperature (°C)
51N 40W 6-1	Gd	9-19-67	<0.1	--	--	<5	--	65	160	6.0	--
6-2	Gd	9-19-67	0.2	--	--	<5	--	50	60	5.5	--
6-3	Gd	9-19-67	>4.0	--	--	30	--	15	220	6.0	--
7-1	Pcr	7-14-67	<0.1	--	--	300	--	50	1100	7.0	--
7-2	Gd	7-14-67	0.2	--	--	5	--	150	400	6.9	7.2
9-1	Pcr	8-16-67	<0.1	88	71	375	72	70	1550	8.5	--
10-1	Pcr	8-10-67	<0.1	177	13	<5	145	8	300	8.9	--
7-1	Pcr	7-14-67	<0.1	--	--	25	--	50	360	8.0	--
23-1	Pcr	8-10-67	<0.1	--	--	10	--	30	600	8.0	--
27-1	Pcr	8-10-67	<0.1	--	--	10	--	<15	675	8.0	--
34-1	Pcr	8-10-67	<0.1	--	--	65	--	<15	750	8.5	--
51N 41W 8-2	Pcr	8-1-58	0.5	--	--	140	--	120	--	6.5	--
11-1	Pcr	7-14-67	<0.1	--	--	400	--	65	1550	8.0	--
12-1	Gd	7-11-67	<0.1	--	--	115	--	235	750	7.9	--
12-2	Pcr	7-11-67	0.1	--	--	1600	--	300	5500	7.9	--
24-1	Pcr	7-11-67	<0.1	--	--	15	--	<15	540	7.9	--
25-1	Pcr	7-11-67	<0.1	--	--	15	--	255	600	7.9	--
51N 42W 12-1	Gd	7-14-67	<0.1	--	--	<5	--	15	90	6.0	--
12-2	Pcr	7-14-67	0.7	--	--	<5	--	50	140	6.5	--
52N 38W 28-1	Pcr	8-16-67	<0.1	--	--	10	--	135	690	7.5	--
31-1	Pcr	8-16-67	<0.1	--	--	10	--	220	680	7.1	--
34-1	Pcr	8-16-67	0.4	--	--	70	--	100	670	7.5	--
52N 39W 13-1	Gd	8-1-67	0.2	--	--	<5	--	220	460	7.8	7.2
14-1	Pcr	8-1-67	<0.1	--	--	15	--	15	390	7.1	6.7
21-1	Pcr	8-10-67	0.2	--	--	<5	--	<15	110	6.5	--
26-1	Pcr	8-3-67	0.4	--	--	100	--	<15	680	9.0	7.8
29-1	Pcr	8-3-67	<0.1	--	--	15	--	250	800	7.0	--
30-1	Pcr	8-15-67	<0.1	--	--	<5	--	185	430	7.8	--
32-1	Pcr	8-3-67	<0.1	--	--	200	--	<15	950	9.0	--
33-1	Pcr	8-3-67	0.4	51	7	2900	42	1580	10000	8.0	--
52N 40W 34-1	Pcr	8-16-67	>4.0	--	--	150	--	100	750	6.3	--
35-1	Gd	9-19-67	<0.1	61	7	65	50	50	290	6.0	--
35-3	Gd	8-10-67	3.5	--	--	10	--	30	200	6.5	--
53N 37W 11-1	Gd	7-27-67	0.1	--	--	<5	--	15	105	6.5	--
13-1	Gd	7-27-67	<0.1	--	--	100	--	<15	470	8.0	7.8
24-1	Gd	7-27-67	>4.0	--	--	10	--	170	400	6.9	--

Table 6.--Chemical analyses of water from streams

Weather: BrS - Bright Sun  
 C - Cloudy  
 PC - Partly Cloudy  
 R - Rain  
 <- Less than >- More than

Streams	Location	Date sampled (1967)	Hour	Weather	Air Temp °C	Water Temp °C	Specific conductivity (µmhos at 25°)	pH	Hardness in mg/l	Iron in mg/l	Dissolved oxygen in mg/l	Remarks
Bluff Creek	NW NW sec 6, T46N R39W	7-16	11:45	BrS	23.9	12.8	190	7.9	85	<0.1	11	This stream carries the diversion from Bond Falls reservoir to the S. Br. Ontonagon R. and Victoria Power Dam
Cascade Creek	NW¼ sec 22, T49N R42W	7-11	--	--	--	15.6	160	7.2	65	<0.1	--	Discharge about 2 cfs
Firesteel River	NE NW sec 7, T52N R38W	8-1	1:45	R	21.1	22.2	160	8.0	65	0.3	--	Light rain; rapid drop in air temp. when rain started
Flintsteel River	NW SE sec 14, T52N R39W	8-1	1:00	R	23.3	22.8	170	7.2	50	0.4	9.6	Light rain; rapid drop in air temp. when rain started
Merriveather Creek	NW SW sec 11, T48N R43W	7-16	9:45	C	21.7	14.4	85	6.2	30	0.2	6.4	Water has definite yellow color. Partly cloudy until 9:30
Mineral River	NE NW sec 16, T50N R42W	7-16	3:15	BrS	25.0	16.7	150	7.0	65	<0.1	8.8	Boulders in streambed coated with fine dark silt
Middle Branch Ontonagon River	NE SE sec 27, T50N R39W	8-9	--	C	16.7	15.6	160	7.5	65	0.2	--	Water highly colored by red clay and silt
East Branch Ontonagon River	SW NW sec 33, T50N R38W	8-15	2:30	BrS	24.4	20.0	120	7.5	50	0.4	9.8	Water very red. Gage height=3.65 ft, discharge 142 cfs
South Branch Ontonagon River	NW¼ sec 26, T48N R40W	7-15	3:00	BrS	25.6	16.7	140	7.1	50	--	9.0	Gage height, 1.58 ft
West Branch Ontonagon River	NW NW sec 2, T48N R42W	7-15	2:30	BrS	26.1	22.2	65	7.0	15	--	8.6	Low water, boulders exposed all across stream bed
Sleepy Creek	SE SE sec 7, T49N R42W	7-16	2:45	PC	24.4	20.0	140	7.5	50	<0.1	9.2	Boulders and rock outcrop in stream bed all coated with fine silt. Water clear

Table 7.--Chemical analyses of water from lakes

## Lakes with outlets

Lake	Location	Date sampled (1967)	Hour	Weather	Air Temp °C	Water Temp °C	Specific conductivity (µmhos at 25°)	pH	Hardness in mg/l	Iron in mg/l	Dissolved oxygen in mg/l	Remarks
Lake Gogebic	SW NW sec 4 T48N R42W	7-15	1:45	BrS	26.1	20.0	70	7.5	15	<0.1	10.0	Controlled outlet
Michigan Dam	NW SW sec 15, T50N R39W	8-17	9:00	C	21.7	22.8	175	9.0	50	<0.1	10.8	Clear water. Discharge about 0.1 cfs from impoundment

## Lakes without outlets

Courtney Lake	SE SW sec 4, T50N R37W	8-2	9:45	BrS	16.7	23.9	<50	7.0	<15	<0.1	10.2	Sparse emergent vegetation near shore
Six Mile Lake	NW NE sec 4, T50N R37W	8-2	10:30	BrS	18.3	23.9	<50	6.5	<15	<0.1	7.0	Water has slight yellow tint. Dense weed growth along shore
Steusser Lake	SW SE sec 24, T47N R40W	7-16	11:00	C	21.1	19.4	<50	6.5	<15	<0.1	9.6	Clear water, muck bottom, much bottom vegetation
Tanlund Lake	SW SW sec 28, T47N R39W	7-31	5:30	BrS	22.8	24.4	<50	6.1	<15	<0.1	9.2	Muck bottom, sparse vegetation. Reported 80-90 feet deep. Water level fairly stable

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