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Project Jemez
Hole 847-1
Location SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ 32 21N SE
Elevation 9600'
Method Foam
Dates 8-24 \rightarrow 8-26-79

$r \sim 120$

depth (ft)

0-40. Mixed volcanic lithologies, dark grey-brownish porphyritic latite (Rhyolite?) with Qtz, sanidine, plag, some augite, also some pyrite xtalization. Also appearance of whitish tuff with $\approx 30\%$ Qtz crystals

40-110 Same as above, also the introduction of a lighter grey lith with a few phenos of Augite, and feldspars

110-130 same basic lith however whitish tuff seems to be more predominately pumice

130-150 predominately tuff \sim pumice, whitish float

150-230 back to three distinct lithologies (same as above)

230-260 same 3 lith but also some obsidian fragments ($\sim 2-3\%$)

260-280 obsidian disappeared same liths as above

280-310 primarily light grey porphyritic latite (Rhyolite?) phenos of sanidine, Qtz, plag., and hornblende

310-330 primarily pumice (with some other liths from above) also some obsidian ($\sim 1-2\%$)

340-370 back into mixed liths

370-380 fine grain pumice frags

380-400 mixed liths as above; with obsidian (2-5%)

400-420 slight color change brownish-red also lith frags

Appear to be more rounded. Seems to indicate a paleo surface and possibly an alluvial environment. Composition is basically the same latite, rhyolitic, the tuff \sim pumice is almost absent, some obsidian well rounded

420-450 back to 2 liths as above (no pumice)

450-500 all 3 liths once again present

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Project Jemez
Hole 847-2
Location SE 1/4 NE 1/4 NE 1/4 31 21 N 5 E
Elevation 9740'
Method Foam. Hammer 120-161m
Dates 8-26 → 8-28-79
γ ~ 120 cps

Depth	Description
0-20m	Mixed volcanic material & gray latite lava, white pumice lapilli, and rhyolitic (?) f.g. lava. Interpreted as colluvial material shed into valley bottom from adjacent Cerro Toledo Rhyolite and Tschicoma formations
20-120m	Mixed rhyolitic (?) material including fine grain to aphanitic light gray lava fragments and pumice lapilli. Variations in lava to pumice ratios. Many lost circulation zones. Interpreted as bedded lapilli tuffs with high content of volcanic xenoliths.
120-152m TD	Fine grain rhyolitic lava flow. Continued lost circulation zones, interpreted as fractured or jointed (cooling) lava.

Comments: No significant water encountered in hole. Formations probably dry to subsaturated. Graded bedding of lapilli tuffs produces porosity-permeability contrasts between layers of air fall deposits. Layers several centimeters to a meter thick gather and possibly conduct horizontally ^{the} groundwater that is percolating downward.

Project Jemez
Hole 847-3
Location NW¹/₄ NE¹/₄ NW¹/₄ 31 21N 5E
Elevation 9880'
Method Foam
Dates 8-31 → 8-31-79
γ ~ 120 cps

Depth	Description
0-25 m	Very loose, porous lapilli tuff; 80% white pumice fragments some with biotite and hornblende phenocrysts; 15% clear anhedral to subhedral quartz and sanidine; 5% xenoliths? of gray latite. Minor black obsidian.
25-30 m	Mixed latitic and rhyolitic lava fragments, < 5% pumice ~ 5% quartz and sanidine as above.
30-92 m TD	Varying amounts of white pumice, latitic and rhyolitic lava fragments and 1-5% quartz plus sanidine. Pumice approximately 10-15% by volume.

Comments : No significant water encountered. Assumed subsaturated. Formations are probably Bandelier tuff or equivalent. The zone from 25-30 m is interpreted to be a colluvial zone between pyroclastic events. Lowest formation is probably poorly welded crystal-lithic tuff.

Project Jemez
Hole 847-4
Location NE¹/₄ SE¹/₄ NE¹/₄ 36 21 N 4 E
Elevation 9600
Method Foam. Hammer: 122 m → 161 m TD
Dates 8-29 → 8-31-79
γ ~ 120 cps

Depth

Description

0-100 m

80-90% rhyolite. Material is both as aphanitic lava fragments and pumice. 10-20% gray to brick red quartz latite. Accessory quartz and sanidine.

100-152 m

Gray to brick red quartz latite. Contains white feldspar phenocrysts and fine grain to aphanitic ground mass. Accessory hornblende and biotite.

Comments :

No significant water encountered. Assumed subsaturated. Top unit is probably a lapilli tuff of the Bandelier formation. Lower unit is interpreted to be a lava flow of the Tschicoma formation. Occasional pumice fragments in samples below 105 m are interpreted to be washout material from upper unit.

Project Jemez JT Gross
Hole 847-5
Location SW¹/₄ NE¹/₄ SE¹/₄ 28 21N 5E
Elevation 10,930
Method hammer/foam
Dates 8-19 → 8-20-79
γ ~ 150 cps

Depth	Description
0-70m	Hornblende, plagioclase quartz latite porphyry. Matrix predominantly gray and fresh in appearance but some cuttings oxidized to brick red color. Groundmass fine grain to cryptocrystalline. Plagioclase phenocrysts somewhat smaller and sparser than most of Tschicoma formation. Hornblendes 1-3 mm.
~70m	Fine grain basaltic chips encountered in one 10' sample pile. Possible basalt dike.
70-100m	Same material as 0-75 m
100-134 m TD	Quartz latite porphyry similar to 75-105 m, but cuttings coming back larger and groundmass grayish-purple. Plagioclase phenocrysts more abundant, larger (3-4 mm) and more albitic. More abundant quartz phenocrysts. Probable flow contact at 105 m. Possible alluvial debris at 110 m and 116 m noted. Small traces of fine-grain turquoise color mineral noted at 112-120 m

Comments: Penetration rates: 60'/hr. to 380' (122m)
20'/hr. to 440' TD.

Driller reports saturated rocks below 65 m.
Tschicoma Formation

Project Jemez
Hole 847-7
Location NW¹/₄ NE¹/₄ NW¹/₄ 30 21N 5E
Elevation 9,980'
Method hammer/foam
Dates 8-10 → 8-10-79
γ ~ 150 cps

JT Gross

Depth	Description
0-27m	Sandy, brown clay and lithic fragments of varying size of pyroxene andesite and quartz latite. Apparently slide material and colluvial infill to South Fork Palovina Creek.
27-92m TD	Brick red and dark gray hornblende, plagioclase quartz latite porphyry. Groundmass fine grain to glassy. 87-97m more highly oxidized to brick red color.

Comments: Driller reports rock hard enough to hammer, but fast penetration ~ 80'/hr. Also much water made during drilling. Rocks are presumed to be saturated, lateral groundwater motion expected in steep upper drainage basin.

0-97m TD, Tschicoma formation

Project Jemez
Hole 847-8 NW¹/₄ NE¹/₄ NW¹/₄ 25 21N 4E
Elevation 9970'
Method hammer/foam
Dates 8-6 → 8-8-79
γ ~ 150 cps

JT Gross

Depth	Description
0-3 m	Red clay and silt, 90%. Lithic fragments of porphyritic quartz latite
3-38 m	Brick red and dark gray hornblende, plagioclase quartz latite porphyry. Hypocrystalline to Holocrystalline, groundmass generally cryptocrystalline. Some hornblendes show red oxidation (resorption) rims. Plagioclase phenocrysts 1-2 mm. 6-9 m, slightly more weathered and containing more clay. 23-26 m, containing more megascopic quartz.
38-52 m	Medium gray pyroxene, hornblende andesite porphyry. Some cuttings show a trachytic texture. Groundmass appears glassy.
52-92 m TD	Porphyritic quartz latite as above but with increased quartz phenocrysts. 77-97 m possibly more alkali-rich lava. Phenocrysts of plagioclase are larger (to 5 mm) and more albitic in appearance.

Comments: Driller reports penetration rates 80'/hr. to 40 m
20'/hr. to 97 m TD
Water not encountered in any significant quantities.

Apparently Tschicoma formation as mapped by Smith, Bailey, and Ross, 1970 and as described by Griggs, Roy L. 1954 Geology and Ground-Water Resources of the Los Alamos Area, New Mexico

Project Jemez
Hole 847-9
Location SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ 23 21N 4E
Elevation 9790'
Method Hammer / foam
Dates 8-22 → 8-22-79
 γ ~120 cps

Depth Description

0-70 m Orange-tan to brick red biotite quartz latite porphyry. Some cuttings are fresher in appearance and gray in color. Feldspar phenocrysts vary in size and abundance. Some cuttings devoid of any phenocrysts. Feldspar, quartz, and biotite in 90% of samples. Aphanitic groundmass ~ 80% by volume. Quartz phenocrysts are often quite clear and perfectly euhedral bipyramids. Tehicoma Formation

70-122 m TD Mixed rhyolitic material. Some cuttings showing flowbanded texture and were apparently lava. Some material more white and pumiceous and resembling many of the local lapilli tuffs i.e. El Cajete Member of the Valles Rhyolite, SBR, 1970. All cuttings contain biotite phenocrysts, and are fine grain to aphanitic. Coarser specimens show considerable quartz content, > 50%. Yellow-orange stain coats many of the cuttings. Possibly Bandelier Tuff, pumice bed of Tshirege Member.

Comments : 0-75 m , very hard hammer drilling.
75-129 m , soft, fast-drilling,
no water made or lost in hole.

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lith log 847-10

- 0-50' Regolith composed of clays, altered biotite some
hornblende and Qtz. Probable source rock Qtz latite
50'-70' ^{Porphyritic} Biotite bearing, Hornblende Qtz latite. Still
has clay component. $\approx 10-15\%$
70-300' ^{Por.} Biotite bearing Hornblende Qtz latite.

γ 150 cps

Lithologic log 847-11

- 0'-50' porphyritic Biotite Hornblende bearing Qtz/Latite
60'-100' porphyritic Hornblende Biotite Qtz, Latite
100'-160' porphyritic Hornblende bearing Biotite bearing Qtz. Trachyte
160'-180' porphyritic Hornblende Biotite bearing Qtz. Trachyte with
some signs of alteration (iron stain and some psilomelane)
180'-200' porphyritic Qtz. trachyte some signs of alteration
200'-220' porphyritic Qtz trachyte
220'-300' por. Biotite-bearing Qtz trachyte

→ Fe₃O₄ in significant quantities to 3-5%
x 150 cps

Hbl = Hornblende

Lith log 847-12

- 10'-20' Biotite, Hornblende bearing Qtz. Trachyte, High clay content
20'-50' SAME AS ABOVE. Clay content down to % 2
50'-60' More aphanitic with loss of Biotite & Hbl., phenocrysts
ARE less abundant
60'-90' ^{porphyritic} Biotite, Hbl. bearing Qtz. Trachyte
90'-100' Slightly more aphanitic lesser amount of Hbl & Bt.
100'-160' Por. Biotite Qtz trachyte.
160'-300' Por. Hbl. & Biotite bearing Qtz. trachyte

Fe₃O₄ present in all above

x 150 cps

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Lith log 847-14

0-130' Porphyritic Biotite bearing Qtz Latite. Some pyroxenes. (Angre)

120'-150' Por. Qtz Latite some biotite & pyrox.

150'-190' Por. Bio. bearing Qtz Latite with pyrox.

190'-230' Por. Pyrox-Bio. bearing Qtz Latite

220'-280' Darker ground mass Por. Qtz. Trachyte slightly vesicular

Slight increasing amount of vesicular gas pockets

with increase in depth to 280'

8 150 cps

Project Jemez
Hole 847-15
Location SE¹/₄ NW¹/₄ SE¹/₄ 27 21N 3E
Elevation 9180'
Method Foam
Dates 9-25-79
X

Depth

Description

0-48 m

Pale orange to brown tuff with abundant euhedral to anhedral quartz. Some bipyramidal quartz. Quartz up to 25% by volume

48-92 m TD

Pale orange claystone, siltstone and fine grain sandstone. Sandstone shows predominantly quartz grains in orange (clay) matrix.

Comments :

Upper unit is interpreted to be Tshirege member of Bandelier Tuff. Lower unit is interpreted to be Abiquiu "Tuff".

No significant groundwater encountered. Assumed saturated.

Project Jemez
Hole 847-16
Location SW¹/₄ NE¹/₄ NE¹/₄ 33 21N 3E
Elevation 9050'
Method Foam
Dates 9-25-79
γ

Depth

Description

0-92m TD Gray-brown tuff with abundant (~25%) euhedral to anhedral quartz, some of which is bipyramidal.

Comments : Drilled blind 25-97m TD. Lithology assumed to be constant to bottomhole based on penetration rate. No significant water encountered; assumed subsaturated. Interpreted to be Tshirege member of Bandelier Tuff.

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Location NE¹/₄ SE¹/₄ SE¹/₄ 2 18N 4E
Hole 847-17
Elev 9050'
Dates 8-8-8-10-79 (mechanical problems, rig down ~1 full day)
γ ~ 120

depth (m)

- 0-9 Regolith composed primarily of tuffaceous material whiteish in color, mixed with soil & clays. tuff has some phenos of Qtz and plaq.
- 9-36 Whiteish tuff as above without well defined soils and clays. (Color also grey, grey-blue, yellowish)
- 36-42 Tuff with significant quantities of FeS₂
- 42-48 DARK grey fine grain (Aphanitic) with some feldspar phenos (small) Latitic - Andesitic
- 48-90 lighter grey with some phenos of plaq. and pyroxene (augite - hypersthene) ~ Andesitic lots of FeS₂ pyrite

Comments: drilled easily rotary-air noticeable water at ~ 40' for the duration of the hole

Project Jemez
Hole 847-18
Location SE¹/₄ NE¹/₄ NE¹/₄ 2 18N 4E
Elevation 9180'
Method Foam
Dates 9-7 → 9-7-79
δ ~ 120 cps

Depth	Description
0-14m	50% clear, subhedral to anhedral quartz; 50% fine grain andesitic(?) lava fragments and pumice.
14-27m	75% quartz as above; 25% pumice and felsite
27-92m TD	10% quartz as above; 90% felsite and pumice. Pyrite from 45-97m disseminated and as veins.

Comments : No significant water encountered. Assumed subsaturated. Interpreted to be very silicic, poorly welded lithic-crystal tuff. Possibly Bandelier tuff.

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Hole 847-20

Location NE¹/₄ SE¹/₄ NW¹/₄ 11 18N 4E

Elev 8680'

Method air, rotary

Dates 8-10-8-10 easy drilling!

$\gamma \sim 120$

depth (m)

0 - 9.1 Regolith composed of volcanic debris, Andesite and some Latitic porphyritic with sandine, Qtz, plaq., No mafics visible ground mass dark grey to greenish

9.1 - 24 Same lith as above but decrease in alteration and soil present in samples. Also present is an almost aphanitic dark grey lith. (Latitic)

24 - 72 Appearance of Rhyolitic tuff debris with Andesitic and Latitic fragments mixed in. A lot of Qtz^{phenos} in tuff $\geq 50\%$ decreasing abundance of Andesitic and Latitic Xenos. As you progress down hole

72 - 87 Darker grey porphyritic - aphanitic Andesite - Latite Qtz, sandine, plaq, hornblende much more competent rock than in previous interval.

87 - 90 to White-yellowish well lithified, very fine grain, felsite (Rhyolitic) well lithified tuff

Comments: drilled in ~ 5 hrs, no excess water observed

Project Jemez
Hole 847-21
Location NE¹/₄ NW¹/₄ SE¹/₄ 10 18N 4E
Elevation 8680'
Method Foam, Hammer 22-97 m
Dates 9-11 → 9-11-79
γ ~ 120 cps

Depth

Description

0-21 m

Mixed silicic volcanic material. Very low color index & white to light gray. Fine grain to ophanitic. Material is low density lava and pumice. Most cuttings are mineralized with very fine grain, euhedral pyrite. Feldspar alteration imparts blue-green color to some cuttings.

21-92 m TD

Gray-green to gray-purple andesite with pyrite cubes as in above unit. Fine grain groundmass, 10% plagioclase phenocrysts. Accessory green clinopyroxene laths, to 1 mm length. Occasional cuttings in which phenocrystalline feldspar is 50% whole rock volume.

Comments :

Upper unit interpreted to be lower (Ostawi) member of Bandelier tuff. Lower unit interpreted to be lower member andesite of Paliza Canyon formation as indicated for the surface geology by Smith, Bailey, + Ross.

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Hole 847-22

Dates 9-14 → 9-15-79 Location SW¹/₄ NW¹/₄ NE¹/₄ 10 18N 4E

Method Air, rotary hammer

Elevation 8900'

$\gamma \approx 120$

Depth (m)

0-3_m Soil & Regolith composed of high organics
and highly altered volcanics

3_m-33_m Medium gray slightly porphyritic to med
fine grained latitic to andesitic. Plag
alkali felds pax, some small indistinct
matrix, Qtz with pyrite inclusions seen.

33_m-76_m Darker greenish fine grain slightly
porphyritic andesite some felds pax
and pyroxenes visible, pyrite visible

76-92_m back to the grey variation

Comments:

Project Jemez
Hole 847-23
Location SW¹/₄ SW¹/₄ SW¹/₄ 10 18N 4E
Elevation 9360'
Method Foam
Dates 9-17 → 9-17-79
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Depth

Description

0-68 m TD

Very loose, white lapilli tuff. Low density 10-20% of lapilli light enough to float in water. Abundant subhedral quartz. Fine grain purple-gray lava at 64-68 m is interpreted to be xenolith material.

Comments :

No significant water encountered. Assumed subsaturated

Project Jemez
Hole 847-25
Location NW¹/₄ SW¹/₄ 18 18N 4E
Elevation 9080'
Method Foam / hammer
Dates 9-18 → 9-18 -79
γ ~120 cps

Depth

Description

0-7 m

Subequal amounts of lava fragments, quartz, and clay. Lava fragments are light to dark gray and red where oxidized and aphanitic to fine grain.

7-92 m

Volcanic lava flow as above. Occasional feldspar and pyroxene phenocrysts visible $< .5$ mm, but otherwise fine grain to aphanitic. Some green amygdaloidal minerals at 80 m.

Comments :

No significant water encountered. Assumed subsaturated. Upper unit colluvium. Lower unit interpreted to be andesite of Paliza Canyon Formation.

Project Jemez
Hole 84728
Location SW¹/₄ SW¹/₄ SW¹/₄ 6 18 N 4E
Method air, (rotary to 80'), (hammer - 300')
Dates 8/21 - 8/21/79
Elev 8380'

Depth (m)

0 - 6 Forest Duff, Regolith composed primarily of lapilli tuff

6 - 27 Whiteish tan lapilli tuff with $\approx 10\%$ Qtz, Also some minute hornblende crystals visible. Some felds pacs also distinguishable

27 - 91 medium grey crystal tuff with abundant Qtz crystals ($\geq 50\%$). mafics less visible. Some felds pacs present

Comments:

Project Jemez
Hole 847-29
Location SE¹/₄ SE¹/₄ NE¹/₄ 16 18N 4E
Elevation 9320'
Method Foam 0-50m rock bit 50-97m TD Hammer
Dates 9-11 → 9-12-79
X ~ 120 cps

Depth	Description
0-12m	Loose, very porous white lapilli tuff. Pumice lapilli are aphanitic except for a few percent very fine grain matrices and small clusters of white fine grain feldspar.
12-45m	Mixed silicic volcanic material & silicic (rhyolitic?) fine grain lava and pumice, sanidine, and quartz in approximately subequal volumes. Some quartz characterized by euhedral bipyramids, but in general quartz is difficult to separate from sanidine. Some of the pumice fragments contain small crystals of biotite and hornblende only visible with the hand lens. Some of the euhedral quartz crystals contain very small pumice fragments and may indicate crystal growth after deposition and while cooling in the still hot volcanic ash.
45-92m TD	Purple, fine grain-aphanitic andesite with accessory green clinopyroxene and plagioclase.

Comments : Upper unit interpreted to be Tshizege member of Bandelier Tuff. Middle unit is interpreted Otowi member of Bandelier Tuff. Lower unit is interpreted to be lower member andesite of Paliza Canyon Formation. Pumice, quartz, and sanidine that occasionally constitute significant part of cuttings in the bottom unit are interpreted as accidental washout material from the fragile top unit. They are not phenocrysts in the andesite.