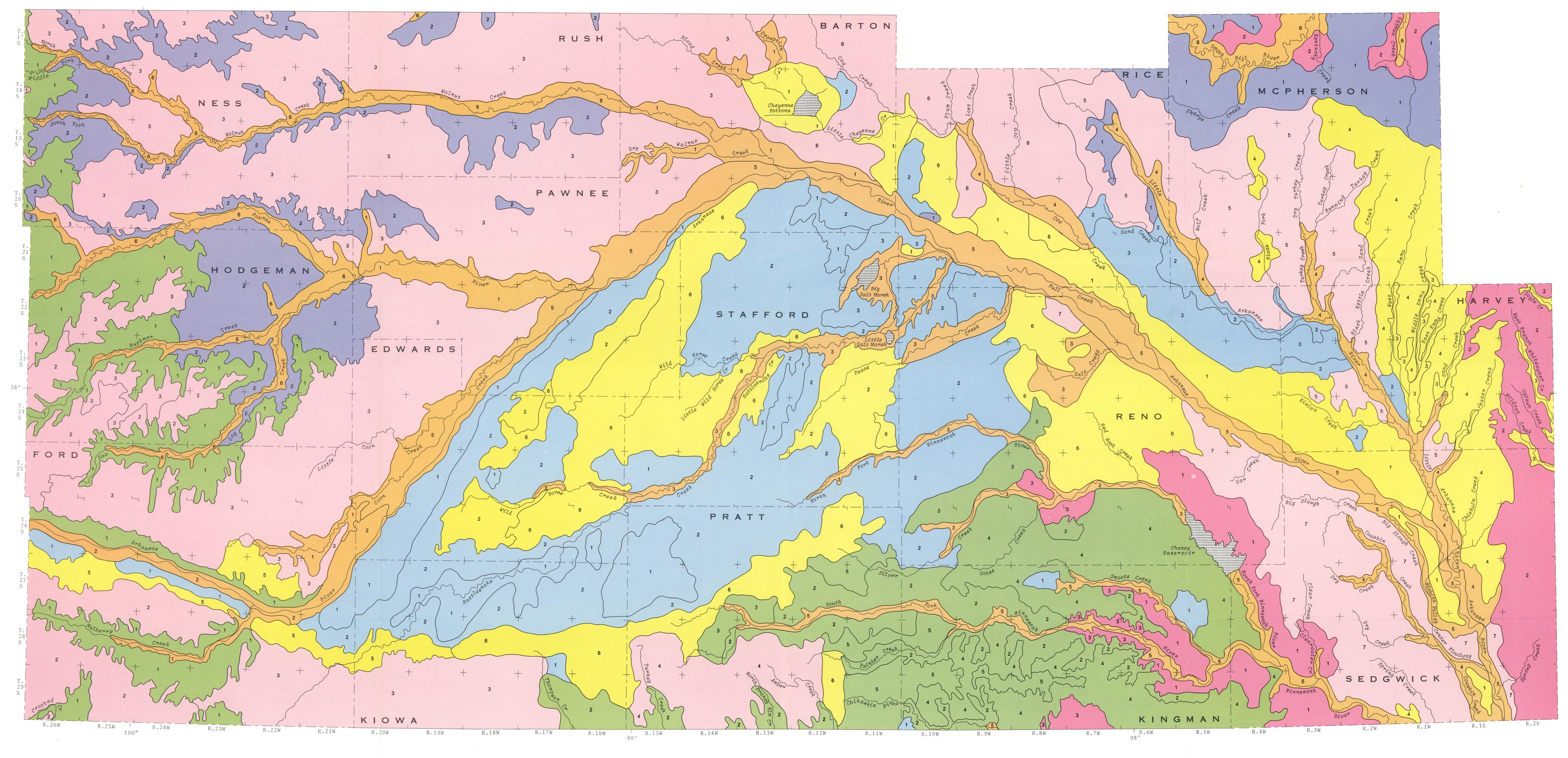
SOIL ASSOCIATIONS OF SOUTH-CENTRAL KANSAS

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EXPLANATION

SOILS FORMED IN LOESS AND OLD ALLUVIUM (PLEISTOCENE AND PLIOCENE AGE SEDIMENTS) unconsolidated sediments in areas overlain by these soils is highly variable. The greatest groundwater yields are associated with the Ogallala Formation in the western part of the mapped area and the Pliocene-Pleistocene sediments of the Equus Beds in the eastern part of the mapped area. The quality of the groundwater from the Ogallala Formation or Equus Beds in areas associated with these soils is generally good except where contaminated by local brine sources. RICHFIELD-ULYSSES Occur on nearly level landscapes in extreme northwest and west-central part of area. Silty surface layer and a clayey or silty subsoil. Little or no runoff to stream systems. The small areas of these soils tie into larger regions of Richfield-Ulysses-Spearville-Keith associa-

tion found on Map M-8A.

HARNEY-SPEARVILLE-ULYSSES Occur on broad, nearly level landscapes in southwest and west-central part of area. Silty surface layer and a clayey or silty subsoil. Little or no runoff to stream systems. Spearville-Harney association, found in eastern part of Map M-8A, merges into these soils.

HARNEY-ULY Occur on broad, nearly level to sloping landscapes in west half of area. Silty surface layer and a clayey or silty subsoil. Only small amount of runoff to stream systems.

BETHANY-CLARK-OST Occur on nearly level and gently sloping landscapes in south half of Pratt County. Silty or loamy surface layer and a clayey or loamy subsoil. Only small amount of runoff to stream systems.

CRETE-SMOLAN Occur on nearly level to sloping landscapes in northeast part of area. Silty surface layer and clayey subsoil. A few occurrences of saline and sodic soils.

CRETE-GEARY Occur on nearly level and gently sloping landscapes in north-central part of area. Silty surface layer and a clayey or silty subsoil. Only small amount of runoff to stream systems.

> **BLANKET-FARNUM-VANOSS** Occur on nearly level and gently sloping landscapes in southeast part of this area. Silty or loamy surface layer and a clayey, loamy, or silty subsoil. Only small amount of runoff to stream systems. A few occurrences of saline and sodic soils.

SOILS FORMED IN OLD ALLUVIUM, DUNE SAND, AND LOESS (PLIOCENE AND PLEISTOCENE AGE SEDIMENTS quality for regions overlain by soils formed from dune

FARNUM-HOBBS-GEARY

LADYSMITH-GOESSEL

and clayey subsoil.

HOLDREDGE-ORTELLO

sas River Valley on Map M-8A.

NARON-FARNUM-CARWILE

stream systems.

Occur on nearly level and gently sloping landscapes in

east-central part of area. Silty or clayey surface layer

Occur on nearly level and undulating landscapes in

southwest part of area. Silty or loamy surface layer

and subsoil. Only small amount of runoff to stream

systems. These soils closely related to Manter-

Ulysses-Satana soil association shown south of Arkan-

Occur on nearly level and gently sloping landscapes in

central part of area. Loamy surface layer and a loamy

or clayey subsoil. Only small amount of runoff to

soils is generally less than 25 feet. The alluvial matesand also generally apply to the areas covered by soils rials of the major drainageways represent the principal of this group. source of groundwater in the northwestern portion of the mapped area. Elevated dissolved-solids levels may be encountered in groundwaters from unconsolidated deposits underlying these soils, especially in the Arkansas River Valley and drainages of the eastern Great Bend Prairie.

NEW CAMBRIA-HORD-BRIDGEPORT-DALE CARWILE-FARNUM-DRUMMOND Occur on nearly level landscapes along Arkansas River Occupy the nearly level Arkansas River tributary Valley in east half of area. Loamy surface layer and a valleys in west-central part of area. Silty surface clayey or loamy subsoil. Many occurrences of saline layer and a clayey or silty subsoil. Saline soils locally. and sodic soils. Only small amount of runoff to stream

FARNUM-BLANKET-LUBBOCK CANADIAN-LAS ANIMAS-LESHARA Occupy the nearly level and gently undulating Arkan-Occur on nearly level landscapes in central part of sas River Valley in western third of area. Loamy or area. Loamy or silty surface layer and a loamy or sandy surface layer and loamy or sandy underlying clayey subsoil. Only small amount of runoff to stream material. Saline and sodic soils locally. Merge with Las Animas-Lesho-Bridgeport association found in eastern Arkansas River Valley region of Map M-8A.

PLEVNA-DRUMMOND-FARNUM-WALDECK Occur on nearly level to sloping landscapes along Occupy the nearly level small valleys in central part of drainageways in east-central part of area. Loamy or area. Loamy surface layer and sandy, clayey, or loamy silty surface layer and subsoil. In a few places soils underlying material. Saline and sodic soils frequent. are moderately deep over shale.

> HOBBS-ELANCO-DETROIT Occupy the nearly level small valleys in east-central part of area. Silty surface layer and silty or clayey underlying material.

> > CANADIAN-WALDECK-PLATTE-LESHO

SOILS FORMED IN RECENT ALLUVIUM

Occupy the nearly level and gently undulating Arkansas River Valley in eastern two-thirds of area. Loamy surface layer and loamy or sandy underlying material. Saline and sodic soils locally.

ROXBURY-BRIDGEPORT Occupy the nearly level valleys in northwest and northeast part of area. Silty surface layer and subsoil.

SOILS FORMED IN OLD ALLUVIUM, LOESS, AND DUNE SAND (PLIOCENE AND PLEISTOCENE AGE SEDIMENTS)

sediments underlying these soils is variable, but generally limited in extent.

PENDEN-MANSIC-CAMPUS Occur on gently sloping to steep landscapes along drainageways in west-central part of area. Loamy surface layer and subsoil. Several outcrops of Ogallala Formation. Some soils are moderately deep. These soils similar to soils of Mansic-Penden-Richfield-

Ulysses association mapped in eastern part of Map M-ALBION-SHELLABARGER-FARNUM Occur on gently sloping to strongly sloping landscapes along drainageways in south-central part of area. Loamy surface layer and loamy or sandy underlying

FARNUM-OST-CLARK Occur on nearly level to strongly sloping landscapes in south-central part of area. Loamy surface layer and subsoil. Loamy underlying material of Ost and Clark soils contains many soft and hard masses of calcium carbonate.

FARNUM-SHELLABARGER Occur on nearly level to sloping landscapes in southcentral part of area. Loamy surface layer and subsoil. Only small amount of runoff to stream systems.

> CLARK-BLANKET-PRATT Occur on nearly level to strongly sloping landscapes in south-central part of area. Some landscapes undulating. Loamy, silty, or sandy surface layer and a loamy, clayey, or sandy subsoil. Loamy underlying material of Clark soils contains many soft and hard masses of calcium carbonate.

SOILS FORMED IN PERMIAN MATERIALS SOILS FORMED IN DUNE SAND

general deterioration of groundwater quality with depth into the unconsolidated aquifer is noted in the eastern Great Bend Prairie where the overlying soils are derived mainly from dune sand or a combination of old alluvium, loess, and dune sand.

PRATT-TIVOLI Sandy soils on undulating and hilly landscapes mostly in southwest and central parts of area. Little or no runoff to stream systems. Represent an eastward extension of Tivoli-Vona-Pratt association found south

PRATT-CARWILE-ATTICA-NARON Occur on nearly level and undulating landscapes in central part of area. Sandy or loamy surface layer and a sandy, clayey, or loamy subsoil. Only small amount of runoff to stream systems.

of Arkansas River Valley on Map M-8A.

DILLWYN-TIVOLI-PLEVNA Occur on nearly level to hilly landscapes in northcentral part of area. Sandy or loamy surface layer and sandy or loamy underlying material. Most soils are wet; numerous occurrences of saline and sodic soils. Only small amount of runoff to stream systems.

OPEN WATER

soils is limited.

RENFROW-OWENS-VERNON Occur on gently sloping to strongly sloping landscapes in south-central part of area. Silty or loamy surface layer and clayey subsoil. Some soils are shallow and moderately deep over red shale.

IRWIN-ROSEHILL-CLIME Occur on gently sloping to strongly sloping landscapes in eastern part of area. Silty or clayey surface layer and clayey subsoil. Some soils are moderately deep over shale.

> QUINLAN-NASHVILLE-NASH Occur on gently sloping to strongly sloping landscapes in south-central part of area. Loamy or silty surface layer and subsoil. Soils are shallow and moderately deep over red siltstone and fine-grained sandstone.

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SOILS FORMED IN CRETACEOUS MATERIALS, PLEISTOCENE LOESS, AND OLD ALLUVIUM

Occur on sloping to moderately steep landscapes in

northeast part of area. Loamy surface layer and

subsoil. Soils are moderately deep and shallow over

Occur on nearly level to steep landscapes in northwest

and north-central parts of area. Silty or loamy surface

layer and a clayey, silty, or loamy subsoil. Some soils

are moderately deep and shallow over limestone or

soils is limited.

LANCASTER-HEDVILLE

sandstone and shale.

HARNEY-WAKEEN-HEIZER-PENDEN

Scale 1:250,000

Colored areas represent soil associations named for major soils. There are other soils of lesser extent within these associations.

