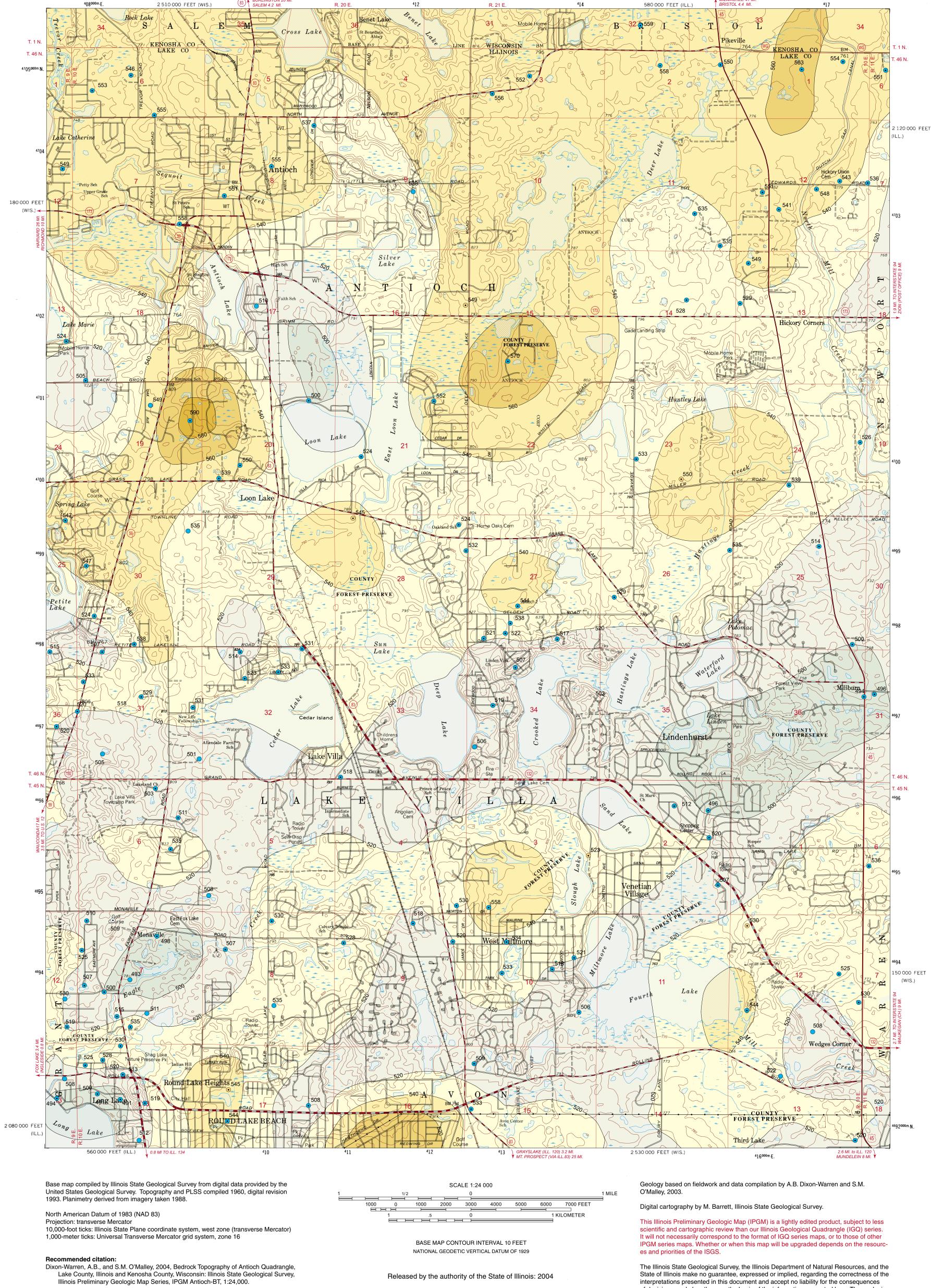
BEDROCK TOPOGRAPHY OF ANTIOCH QUADRANGLE

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Illinois Preliminary Geologic Map **IPGM Antioch-BT**

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This map shows the mean elevation above sea level of bedrock for the Antioch Quadrangle. The bedrock is undifferentiated Silurian-age dolomite (Larsen, 1973; Willman, 1973) and is entirely covered by glacial drift. Previous mapping of the bedrock topography is limited and has only been completed at the county scale (Leetaru, in

Bedrock Topography

Total relief of the bedrock surface on the Antioch Quadrangle area is about 100 feet with elevations ranging from about 490 to 590 feet above mean sea level. Bedrock elevations above 540 feet are more common in the northern part of the quadrangle than in the southern where a buried east-west trending bedrock valley is the most prevalent subsurface feature. The highest point (590 ft) mapped is in the west-central portion of the quadrangle, while the lowest point (491 ft) is found in the southwest corner of the study

Methodology

During data compilation and analysis, we examined the records of 497 boreholes that were located either on the quadrangle or within a 1-mile buffer (fig. 1). Of these, 474 penetrated bedrock and 23 ended in glacial drift. Key words used by drillers in their drill logs to indicate bedrock include limestone, dolomite, rock, and bedrock. To generate this map, only 191 of the 474 bedrock borings were used, with 120 of these being located within the quadrangle boundaries. The additional 71 bedrock borings within the 1-mile buffer were used to better characterize polygon edges along the quadrangle boundaries. Where data points were densely clustered (e.g., the southwestern portion of the study area), representative borings were selected to establish a more even data distribution. Boreholes ending in glacial drift (16 borings inside the quadrangle boundaries and 7 holes within the 1-mile buffer) were also used to control the minimum depth to the bedrock surface, i.e., where the top of bedrock was known to occur at a depth greater than the model calculations suggested. Because no boreholes with data on bedrock elevation occur at these locations, these shallower wells provided a minimum depth, above which bedrock can not occur.

The location of each well was verified using tax records, plat books, and Internet-based locating software. When required, wells were repositioned. The level of confidence in the final verified location was ranked from 1 (high accuracy) to 5 (low accuracy). The highest quality boreholes, with respect to both geologic information and location, are the ISGS GPS-surveyed stratigraphic borings, whereas the lowest quality data points are generally residential water wells. For this map, we initially used only the boreholes that combined high quality location data (ranks 1 and 2) with high quality geologic data, however, we later added some data points of lower quality to maintain uniform data distribution. Of the 214 borings used to create this map, 202 are water wells, 8 are stratigraphic borings, and 4 are 'other' holes, which means either the type of well is unknown or its status is

The data were compiled within ArcGIS. The top of bedrock elevation was calculated by subtracting the depth to bedrock from the surface elevation, which was derived from a digital elevation model (DEM). To generate the bedrock surface, data points were interpolated using the spline with tension method and the resulting grid then was contoured at 20-ft intervals. Based on subsequent analysis, the contours in a few areas were modified to more realistically portray the bedrock topography. All data are on file at the Geological Records Unit of the Illinois State Geological Survey.

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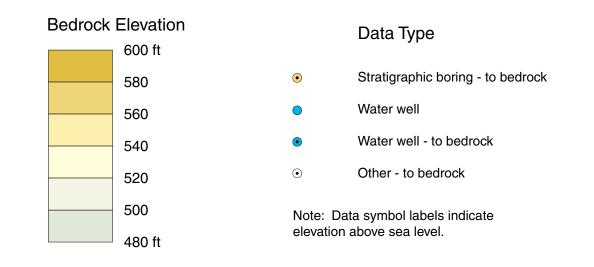
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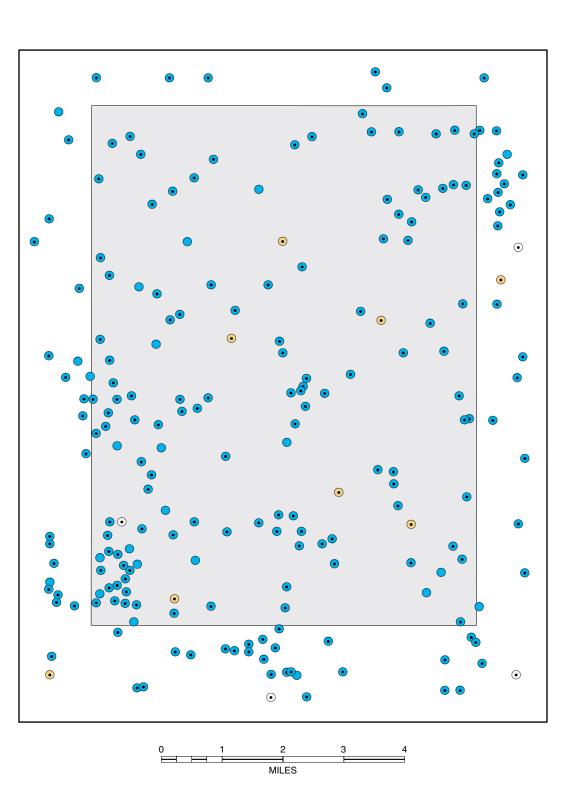


Figure 1 Map showing the location of borings used to model the bedrock topography. Borings are symbolized in blue for water wells, orange for stratigraphic borings and white for 'other' borings.

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