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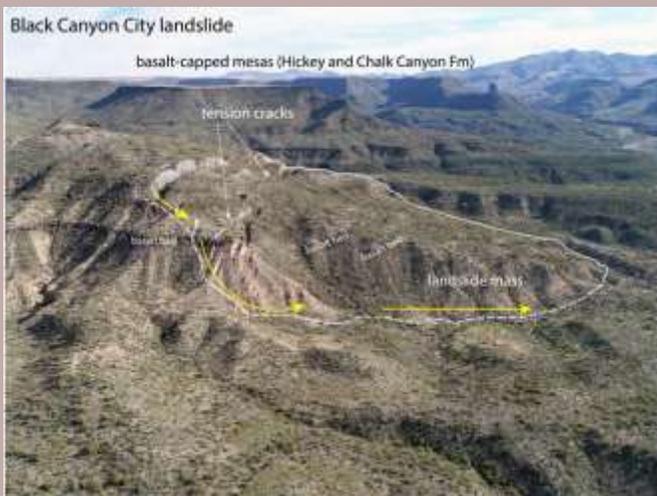
Society Announcements

AGS members,

The Tempe branch of the Association of Environmental & Engineering Geologists is sponsoring a Zoom presentation on a recent study of landslides and landslide hazards along I-17 between Black Canyon City and Flagstaff, Arizona. AGS members have been invite to Zoom in on this Arizona-centric talk. We look forward to seeing everyone there!

Respectfully,

AGS Executive Committee



Presenters: AZGS' Joe Cook and Brian Gootee

Day|Time: **21 Oct. | 4-6 pm (MST)**

Zoom Details: **TBA via Email** (as the date nears)

If you are interested in sponsoring future AGS virtual meetings, please contact:

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Arizona Geology Blog:

AZGS releases digital drill core data from the Courtland-Gleeson area, Turquoise mining district, southeastern Arizona

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The Courtland-Gleeson area (Turquoise mining district) has been explored and worked since 1877, with major exploration projects and drilling periodically occurring from the 1950's onwards. Much of the data from these projects were ultimately donated to the Arizona Geological Survey. Data from the Courtland-Gleeson area was particularly complete, with not only drill logs, but also assays, photos of core, associated reports, maps, and cross sections. From September 2019 to July 2020, AZGS's Mineral Resources program, supported by five student workers, diligently scanned all the associated data and tabulated 25,935 m (85,087 feet or 16.1 miles) of drill data for lithology, mineralization, alteration, structure, and assays across 113 drill holes.

The data is released in several formats. The first is an interactive [webmap](#), where all of the data is displayed for the user to easily peruse the contents. Each tab along the lower portion of the screen represents one of the tabulated spreadsheets, where the user can preview the data. The tabulated data is available for download as eight spreadsheets that include: data sources, lithology, alteration, mineralization, assays, structure point data, structure interval data, and drill hole location data. The spreadsheets are intended to be easily convertible into formats for import into modeling software for viewing drill data. Lastly, two of the geological maps that accompanied some of the data were digitized and available as map plates to provide additional geologic context for the drill holes.

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The Arizona Geological Survey (AZGS) has long served as the archival repository for geological data in Arizona that may not have an appropriate home elsewhere. This digitization effort is thanks to funding from the U.S. Geological Survey's Earth Mapping Resources Initiative (Earth MRI) and National Geological and Geophysical Data Preservation Program matched 1:1 with state funding from AZGS's line-item appropriation.

[Webmap Link](#)

[OFR-20-02 Link](#)

Acknowledgements

This project would not have been possible without the many exploration geologists who conducted the original work that developed this rich data set. Erin Phelps, Matthew Ricker, Arielle O'Connor, Evgenia Diakonenko, and Elise Gregory served as dedicated student workers, and whose significant efforts made this project successful.

Blog post by C.A. Richardson (10/08/2020)

Blog Post:

<https://blog.azgs.arizona.edu/blog/2020-10/azgs-releases-digital-drill-core-data-courtland-gleeson-area-turquoise-mining-district>



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GSA 2020 Connects Online is a 100% online experience on 26–30 October that replaces the in-person annual meeting scheduled for 25–28 October in Montréal.

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