

Geology of Queensland

A new Geological Map of Queensland – 1953



Professor Dorothy Hill at the time of her retirement in 1972

After World War 2, GSQ and The University of Queensland (UQ) cooperated to produce a new Geological Map of Queensland at a scale of 1 inch to 40 miles, which was published in 1953. The map was produced by geologist from both GSQ and UQ, coordinated by renowned palaeontologist and stratigrapher, Dorothy Hill from UQ. This stands as a landmark publication, depicting the state of knowledge prior to the commencement of the systematic mapping that was to follow.

The UQ and GSQ collaborated again in 1960 when Dorothy Hill and Chief Government Geologist, Alan Denmead, jointly edited the first comprehensive volume on the Geology of Queensland since that of Jack and Etheridge. The volume, published by the Geological Society of Australia, included contributions from 62 authors from GSQ, Bureau of Mineral Resources, UQ and industry. The 'green bible' became an important reference source on Queensland geology, in spite of being quickly out-dated by the results from the systematic mapping program and the intensive exploration that was taking place.



Alan Knox Denmead,
Chief Government Geologist
1956–68

