Subject: Report status update: Editorial review of Scientific Investigations Map, “Geologic Map of the Southern Stillwater Range, Nevada” (den22-0038, IP-123012)
Hi Joe,

At long last, I have completed the initial edit and map layout of your map and report “Geologic Map of the Southern Stillwater Range, Nevada.” This edit has also been reviewed by two senior Geologic Map Editors at Moffett Field.
The following files have been uploaded to IPDS in the folder “initial edit”:

- An edited word document of the report pamphlet
- An edited word document of the Description of Map Units
- A geospatial PDF of sheet 1, the geologic map. Note that this PDF had layers, so you can turn off my comments (or other features) as you find necessary. If you cannot see the layers, or my comments, please let me know!
- A PDF of sheet 2, which contains the edited Correlation of Map Units, List of Map Units, Explanation of Map Symbols, and figure 3. This PDF is only the single layer.
- A PDF of the figures for this report. Note that there are comments for our VIS in this file, as well as comments for you.
- While likely not necessary, I’ve also included a copy of the Adobe Illustrator files for both map sheets, in case you would like to reference them.

I will also send you a link to the files in our Sharepoint folder in a separate email. You may upload your reconciled files same folder.

Note that it works best to download the word documents from Sharepoint and edit it on your computer, rather than to edit them within Sharepoint.

I edited and left comments on the pamphlet and the DMU documents. Most of the changes made to the report have been tracked; however, some changes required by USGS style, such as formatting of references, have not been tracked. Please use the edited version of the documents for your reconciliation so that the untracked changes will not be lost. Also note that while this report had a geologic names review completed prior to this edit, my mentors and myself identified some issues that we have commented on this text.
Please review the changes and accept those you agree with. If you do not agree, please leave the edit as is but add a comment as to why you disagree. Also, please respond to the comments and make any necessary changes. Please track any changes you make in the report.

I have also placed comments in the PDF files for the geologic map (both sheets 1 and 2) and the figures. For the map sheets, I made these comments in Illustrator, rather than commenting in the PDF itself. For any edits you would like made to these documents, please use Adobe’s commenting tools. If there are more complicated edits, such as color changes, please let me know and we can set up a meeting to go over these. For all PDF files, please review the comments and let me know if you agree with the changes, and if you would like any additional changes made. Please don’t make any changes to the figures; the Denver DPN will maintain version control of the figures, and our VIS will make any requested changes.

Once you have reconciled the edits and addressed all comments, please send us the final manuscript for review before you send it on for approvals. Please **do not** advance IPDS from the "Prepare for Approvals" step until we complete the final reconciliation edits, as doing so may result in delays later on in the process.

Please note that in IPDS, on the record tab the "Was data collection USGS funded?" box says "yes." If USGS funded the data collection, then the URL to the supporting data must be provided on the bibliodata tab.

Please note that we are moving to an XML workflow and are using a plug-in to Microsoft Word during the editorial review. Using this software automates some of the lower level editing functions such as verifying URLs and verifying reference citations. Once we are fully using the XML workflow, USGS reports will be compliant with the open data policy and be better accessible by more device platforms. Through this process, table structure is crucial. We can no longer have any blank table cells, rows, or columns (hidden or visible) due to improper cell merging or differing heading rows within the same table. These blank cells and differing heading rows cause errors and prevent XML from being produced. The SPN is working on guidance for author table preparation.

Please me know if you have any questions, comments, or concerns. I am available on Teams chat or by email at ksauer@usgs.gov.