

Figure Des-21. Model of the heterogeneities and spatial relations of the sandstone reservoirs in the Benson E-4 interval at different scales (between fields, between wells, and within wells). Subfacies dimensions are indicated in Table Des-3. See legend (below) for explanation.

SCALE

HETEROGENEITY IN INTERGRANULAR POROSITY

Mega — Between Fields

Facies:

- 1. Distal facies sandstones and siltstones less than shales unless abundantly bioturbated.
- Proximal facies sandstones and siltstones dominant over shale interbeds, with recognizable Bouma structures and common bioturbation.

Macro — Between wells within field

Subfacies:

- 1. Subfacies of distal facies
 - a. dominant shales basinward.
 - b. abundantly bioturbated siltstones and sandstones of graded beds.
- 2. Subfacies of proximal facies recognizable Bouma structures.
 - inner lobe sandstone and siltstone dominant in multiple graded beds; thickest sandstone units; channel-like.
 - b. outer lobe siltstones of multiple thin graded beds about equal to shale beds; levee-like.
 - outer lobe (flanking outer lobe) shales equal or greater than thin siltstones of multiple graded beds; bioturbation masks Bouma couplets.

Meso — Between wells within field and within well

- A. Sandstone/siltstone units mainly of inner lobe subfacies of proximal facies or abundantly bioturbated siltstone subfacies of distal facies:
 - sandstone units (siltstones included in unit) consist of multiple graded beds where sandstone or siltstone are dominant.
 - a. upper Benson sandstone units 1 (oldest) to 4 (youngest); usually one or two units per facies per well of proximal facies.
 - middle Benson sandstone unit d, found in eastern 30-field consolidated area, of distal
 - c. lower Benson sandstone units a (oldest) to c (youngest) of distal facies.
- B. Shale partings between graded beds laminae sets.

Micro - Within well - laminae scale

Fabric of illite-rich, argillaceous and micaceous sandstones and siltstones (>18% matrix); average percent framework grains is 74%, with 5 to 15% porosity in pay-zone inner lobe subfacies.