# GEOLOGICRI - GEOCHEMICAL REPORT <br> on the <br> CAE l-5 MINERRIL CLAIMS <br> Bootjack Lake Area <br> 93 A 12/E <br> Cariboo Mining Division 

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## INTRODUCTION

The cab claims cover an area of low relief northwest of Mt. Polley. Based on an interpretation of the most recent glacial direction, mineralized float found as far as 4 km northwest of the claims may have a source on the property. The ofjective of the current programe was to search the property for exposed bedrock and to investigate the margins of a large central swampy area by means of soil sampling and geochemical analysis. Soils were collected by auger at 100 foot intervals on lines adjacent to the swamp. In total, 93 samples were obtainea and these were analysed with a Dithizone-Heavy Metals Field Kit.

## LOCATION AND ACCESS

The property lies 65 km northwest of Williams Lake in NTS 93A/l2f, covering a large flat swampy arca northwest of Mt. Polley. Vegetation is dense pine-fir forest with open swamplanc̄s. Elevation is about 1000 M .

The claims are accessible by road from tilliams lake via the Likely road to Moorehead Lake, and then the caribooBell road which runs southwest of the claims. A short walk of about l km is required from the Cariboo-Bell road to the property.

## MINERAL CLAIMS

The property consists of the Cal l-5 mineral claims described below and shown on the accompanying map.
$\frac{\text { Name }}{\text { CAB } 1-5} \quad \frac{\text { Record No. }}{848-852(10)} \quad \frac{\text { Record Date }}{\text { Sept. } 11,1978}$



## HISTORY

Flacer gold mining has been cerried on just east and north of the claim area for over one hundred years. In 1964, the Kar] Springer interests discoverec Cariboo-Bell alkalic porphyry deposit on Polley Mountain. Through 1970 , about $30,000 \mathrm{~m}$ of diamond and percussion drilling outlined a cluster of six breccia related zones in an Upper Triassic volcanic center environment. Rescrves are reported to be more than $25 \times 10^{6}$ tonnes erading $0.5 \% \mathrm{cu}, 0.02 \mathrm{oz} / \mathrm{T} \mathrm{Au}$. In 1976. Quintana prospected the area, discovered numerous copper mineralized float boulders and staked 172 units. Further work included a test I $P$ profile, and six percussion holes. Quintana allowed the property to lapse and in 1978 a part of the original area was re-staked by $W . h . f o w e l l$ as Cab l-5 claims. Of the original property, this area appeared to have the best potential for significant mineralization.

## GEOLOGY

Regional:
The Cab claims lie in the Quesnel Trough, a 35 km wide, rorthwesterly trending fault bounded belt of upper Triassic to Lower Jurassic volcanics and co-eval and comagmatic alkaljc intrusives, togcther with volcanic epliclastics and marine sediments. A feature of the Polley Mountain - Morehead Lake area is the presence of red volcanic clastics and slows, suggesting the presence of a volcanic island. Copper, either rative of as sulphide occurs locally as amygdale fillings, and disseminate, Hodgson et al.,(1976). H large area of glacialfluvial cover extends northwest from the foot of polley Mountain, covering an area 2400 m to 3000 m wide and $10,000 \mathrm{~m}$ long.

Local:
A thorough search of the non-swamp areas on the Cab claims yielded no outcrops. Previous traverses in the area by the author have indicated that the covered area is bounded on the southeast by outcrops of volcanic clastics. These rocks are variably mineralized by fracture controlled and iisseminated pyrite, and 200 to 400 ppm Cu as chalcopyrite. Available mapping makes clear that these mincralized outcrops could be either the eđ̉ge of an unknown porphyry sulphide zone or a part of the Cariboo-Bell systeri. Fublished I p data fHodgson et al, l976) indicates that a separate system may be present.

Along the southwest side of the covered area, apparently unmineralized volcanic breccia is exposed (Bailey, 1976). These outcrops were not examined. Outcrops on the west end of Morehead-hydraulic road are fresh except for some carbonate veinlets. However, volcanics? penetrated in Quintana's percussion hole $: 6$ contain more than 18 pyrite and anomalous gold values.

Northwest of the Cat claims on the Fon property, a small alkalic body anc the nearby volcanics are mineralized with copper (Bailey, 1976). Northeast of the covered area, Bailey (1976) maps volcanics, anc reports only a little copper on sister Mountain. Bailey (1976\} indicates that monolithologic syenite ana trachyte pyroclastics are present north and soluth of the covered area, suggesting the presence of an intrusive under cover.

Evicence of possible mincralization urder cover on the Cab claims includes the presence of mineralization poripheral to the covered area, the presence of placer gold workings in Morehoad Creek, anc the widespread occurrence of mineralized float boulders. These koulciers include both volcaric? breccia, propylitically
and phyllically altered, and mineralized with pyrite, chalcopyrite, malachite; and fragments of syenodiorite similarly alterec and mjneralized. Many rocks exhitit a strong brick red alteration which may be alkite. Source interpretations based on the distribution of mineralized float is temuous at best, as sampling sites in till and glaciofluvial units are restricted to the few stream and road oxposures. A mantle of low brush and moss over almost the entire covered area makes recognition of mineralized float essentially impossible. In addition, glacial and glaciofluvial history is unknown, except for the direction of last ice movement which can be inierred from drumlinoid features and from obvious known ice smearing of the copper soil anomaly at CaribooBell. To attempt to define the source of the float exactly is all but impossible, and in the enc a decision must be made as to whether all the mineralized float probably comes from Cariboo-Bell, or whether there is a reasonable chance that some comes from an unknown source under cover northwest of CaribooBell. 'lthe fact that float found near the Morehead-Hyaraulic road contains good grade (up to l. loz Cu) without potassic altcration, and without magnetite, suggests that there may well be anothex source ior this material. (cf. Hodgson et al., description of Cariboo-Bell mineralization and alteration).

## GEOCHEMISTRY

Soil samples were collected by auger at depth up to 1 metre beneath the surface along 4 lines adjacent to the swamp. Sample sites and results are plotted on Mapl (pocket). In general materials sampled were wet sandy alluvial deposits with local high organics, and gravel to boulder zones. Some clay till? or ground morraine deposits are present. the B-horizon normally
sampled in such a programme is not developed on the property, but since the samples were wet (below local water-table) some geochemical mobility may have occured, and anomalies obtained may related to bedrock mineralization in the local area.

Analyses were done by the Dithizone - Heavy Metals Test (see Appendix). The test does not distinguish between cu-pb-Zn but on the basis of personal experience with Dithizone testing in prophyry copper environments, values of 16 or greater are anomalous with a value of 16 probably corresponding to about 50 - 100 ppm Cu . Values of $24-28$ likely correspond to about 200-300 ppm Cu and are strongly anomalous.

No consistently strong pattern was developed as a result of the programme but spotty anomalies occur on all lines. The strongest and most continuously anomalous values lie along the west line and the west ends of the north and south lines suggesting vaguely that copper mireralization may be present on cab 1,3 , 5. While not conclusive the results are considered to be encouraging in view of the nature of the matcrials sampled and the heavy overturden fresent. A specific drill target has not heen sefined but there is a good possibility that copper mineralization may be present on the claims.

## CONCLUSIONS

The cab claims are adjacent to a known alkalic porphyry copper deposit and are themselves devoid of outcrop although the nearest outcrops to the west and southwest are altered and mineralized with copper. Published geology suggests that the Cariboo-Bell volcanic center continues or is repeated under cover on the Cab claims. Mineralized float containing up to 1.1\% copper and placer gold in Morehead creek both suggest that there maybe a mineralized zone or zones in addition to those cxposed on Folley Mountain. Geochem anonalies olsained in this survey while spotty suggcst that the mineralization may be present on Cab $1,3,5$. Geochem response is encouraging in view of the difficult sampling and overburden conditions.

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4. I ara a Fellow of the Geological Association of Canada.
5. I am a Somber of the Geological Society of America.
6. This report is based on my personal knowledge of the district, and mapping of the geology at, the property.


September, 1979

## DETAILED COST STATEMENM

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Truck rental and fuel ..... 225.00
Accomodation ..... 58.00
Meals - fiela ..... 80.00
Chemicals and field supplies ..... 95.00
Report ..... 300.00

## APPENDIX

## BjoOOM TEST

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## Cold Ammonium Citrate Test

## Preparation of Field Solutions:

Stock Dithizone Solution (0.01\%) ; with pipette, measure 100 ml of toluene into $8-0 z$ polyethylene screwtopped bottle, and mark bottle at this level with china marking pencil for future reference; shake in contents of one vial of dithizone; shake, wrap bottle in aluminum foil to keep out light, and allow to stand for at least 1 hour before using.

Field Dithizone Solution ( $0.001 \%$ ) : add one part of stock Dithizone solution and nine parts of toluene to polyethylene wash bottle, shake to mix, and wrap with aluminum foil to keep out light. These liquids may be measured in the field with one of the marked culture tubes; a supply of toluene may be carried in the field in a 32-oz polyethylene screw-topped bottle.

Field Solution: with graduated cylinder, measure one part of 5 X Buffer and four parts of metal-free water into $32-o z$ polyethylene screw topped bottle; shake to mix as needed; transfer portions of this reserve supply to polyethylene was bottle for field use.

## procedure:

1. Measure out one scoopful of sample, (approx 0.25 g ) leveled with spatual or pen-knife, and tap into marked culture tube.
2. Add Field Solution to 3 ml mark.
3. Add 1 ml of Field Dithizone Solution, bringing level to 4 ml mark.
4. Insert a polyethylene stopper from one of the vials into the end of the culture tube, and shake briskly fifty times (15 seconds).
5. Allow Dithizone Solution to collect at surface of liquid and observe color. If green, record 0 ; if blue green, record $1 / 2 ; i \neq b l u e, ~ r e c o r d i ; i f ~ p u r p l e ~$ or red, proceed with Step 6.
6. Add $\quad$ ml more of Field Dithizone Solution, bringing level to 5 ml mark, and shake briskly 20 times (Five seconds). If color is blue, record 2; if purple or red, repeat the shake-out adding Dithizone Solution in increments of $2,4,4$, and 4 until blue end-point is reached; record total volume of Dithizone Solution needed to reach blue end-point; if the blue end-point is over-shot, the recorded value may be interpolated.

## NOTES:

1. Although this procedure does not differentiate between zinc, lead, or copper, it is considerably more sensitive to zinc than to the other metals. Thus in general a high heavy-metal value indicates a high zinc content.
2. For a 0.25 g sample in this test, onemi of dithjzone at the blue end-point is roughly equivalent to 1 part per midion of exchangeable heavy metals expressed as zinc, this factor will vary with the texture of the sample and the timing of the shake-out.
3. It is important to standardize the timing of the shake-out in the procedure, as increasing the time of the sequence will give higher values.
4. Serious contaminatin in the course of the procedure is possible by inadvertent contact with the fingers or contaminated objects; all high values should be checked by repeating the entire procedure.
5. Dithizone solution decomposes in light to a yellow solution; this effect may be minimized by keeping all dithizone solutions in the dark, either under cover or in bottles wrapped in aluminumifoil.

## APPARATUS:

1 graduated cylinder
1 Deeminac
1 wash botele
10-18x150 culture tubes and stoppers
2 aluminum scoops
1 test tube brush
aluminum foil

REAGENTS:
$2 \times 500$ ml Toluene 1x200 m 1 5X Buffer
$3 \times 10 \mathrm{mg}$ Dithizone


