#### EXPLORATION

WESTERN DISTRICT

NTS: 92G 9W/16W

## ASSESSMENT REPORT

### 1981 GEOLOGICAL AND GEOCHEMICAL REPORT

ON THE

SLO 1 and 2 MINERAL CLAIMS

IN THE SLOQUET CREEK AREA

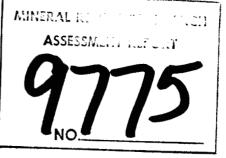
NEW WESTMINSTER MINING DIVISION

BRITISH COLUMBIA

LATITUDE: 49<sup>0</sup>45'N LONGITUDE: 122<sup>0</sup>21'W

OWNER AND OPERATOR: COMINCO LTD.

PERIOD OF WORK: SEPTEMBER 5-29, 1981



24 NOVEMBER 1981

R.J. SHARP

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#### SUMMARY

The SLO claims are located 95 km northeast of Vancouver and cover copperlead-zinc anomalies in rock, soil and silt samples.

Work in 1981 consisted of soil and rock geochemistry plus geological mapping. This work confirms the presence of weak lead-zinc mineralization in a Jurassic-Cretaceous volcano-sedimentary pile belonging to the Fire Lake Group.

#### INTRODUCTION

This report describes the geology, rock and soil geochemistry on Cominco's SLO mineral claims, 95 km northeast of Vancouver, B.C. (see figure 1 for location). This report is based upon field investigations by geologists R.J. Sharp and P.D. Leriche during the period September 5 to 29, 1981; field assistants J. Lavigne and M. Clayton also worked on the property during part of September. The work was supervised by R.Y. Watanabe.

The program this year consited of geological mapping, soil and rock geochemistry. Soil samples were collected along contour lines, rock samples were collected from rock outcrops on the claims. Data are presented at a scale of 1:10,000.

#### PROPERTY AND OWNERSHIP

The SLO claim group is made up of two claims comprising 40 units, all owned 100% by Cominco Ltd. (see figure 1). This report files credit for SLO 1 (record number 662) and SLO 2 (record number 663).

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#### LOCATION AND ACCESS

The property is situated in the New Westminster Mining Division at 49<sup>0</sup>45'N and 122<sup>0</sup>21'W, NTS: 92G 9W/16W. Access is by helicopter from Pemberton.

The terrain is situated in rugged terrain of the Coast mountains. Thick mature forests and heavily overgrown avalanche chutes cover the property.

#### SUMMARY OF WORK

A geological map of the SLO claims was prepared using an enlarged 1:50,000 scale topographic map to provide a base map of 1:10,000 scale. A total of 78 soil samples and 35 rock samples were collected from the property and analyzed for Cu, Pb and Zn.

#### DETAILED TECHNICAL DATA AND INTERPRETATION

#### Regional Geology:

The regional geology of the area surrounding the SLO claims has been described by Roddick (1966). The claims are underlain by volcanc-sedimentary rocks belonging to the Fire Lake Group. This group of rocks forms a roof pendent in the Coast Crystalline Complex and is believed to be of Jurassic to Cretaceous age. The metamorphic grade of rocks on the claims is lower to middle greenschist except near the contacts with intrusive rocks where migmatization occurs.

#### Detailed Geology:

A map of the detailed geology of the claim group is shown in figure 2. Three mappable volcanic lithologies, one sedimentary and one intrusive rock unit have been outlined. The following sections describe these units.

#### Unit 1: Rhyolite and Dacite

This unit outcrops mainly in the SLO 2 claim area. Here it consists of a series of felsic tuff, agglomerate, and breccias. A bed of rhyolitic tuff outcrops on SLO 1 and reaches a thickness of up to 75m.

A significant buildup of felsic volcanic rocks is evident in the SLO 2 claim area. These rocks comprise a dominantly pyroclastic sequence of volcanism and often contain disseminated or fracture controlled pyrite. The pyrite content varies between traces to over 3% and in some localities is accompanied by traces of sphalerite, galena and chalcopyrite.

#### Unit 2: Dacite Tuff

A thin dacite tuff sequence 25 to 40m thick outcrops along the ridgetop in the center of SLO 2. It is dark grey weathering grey to brown, contains crystal tuff sections and is quartz eye bearing. Up to 3% pyrite is present in some outcrops. This unit marks a transition from dominantly sedimentary rock deposition to more active volcanism. No economic sulfides were observed in these rocks.

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SLO 1 is mainly underlain by a porphyritic andesite. Feldspar phenocrysts 3-4 mm in diameter compose 30% of this rock. Fresh surfaces are green and weather green. The sequence appears monotonous and shows few flow contacts. A bed of rhyolite tuff is enclosed by this unit.

A bed of fine grained andesitic tuff outcrops on SLO 2. This layer is fine grained and occasionally contains sericitized rhyolite lapilli tuff fragments. Up to 8% pyrite is present in some outcrops but commonly only trace to  $\frac{1}{2}$ % pyrite is present. This andesite tuff bed is completely enclosed by rhyolitic tuff and may not be equivalent to the dominant porphyritic phase exposed on SLO 1.

#### Unit 4: Siliceous Siltstone

A bed of siliceous siltstone approximately 100m thick forms prominent cliffs along a ridge trending east-west on SLO 2. The rocks are: very siliceous; fine-grained; carry  $\frac{1}{2}-2\%$  pyrite; black and weather black to rusty brown. Fine sedimentary laminae are visible on some weathered surfaces and 1-2m thick rhyolite tuff beds are locally intercalated with the siltstone unit.

Unit 5: Granodiorite, Diorite

Intrusive rocks belonging to the Coast Crystalline Complex cut off the volcano-sedimentary rocks on the south margin of the SLO Claims. In this area the rocks vary from diorite to quartz monzonite but are commonly granodioritic. A significant diorite sill is exposed in the cliffs on the northwest side of SLO 2. Numerous smaller sills outcrop in the cliffs along the ridge that lies in the center of SLO 2, but are only 1-2m thick and are too narrow to map on a 1:10,000 scale.

#### Structural Geology

A lack of good marker beds make correlation between rocks exposed on SLO 1 and those on SLO 2 difficult. The strike of the rock layers appears to be almost north-south and the dip varies between 20 and 40 degrees east. A fault is postulated to exist along the Simpson Creek valley in order to explain the difference in lithology on either side of the creek valley.

#### MINERALIZATION

Three localities of low-grade base metal mineralization were found in 1981. In the southern portion of SLO 2 a 1m thick bed of cherty rhyolite tuff contains 17,880 ppm Zn, 3,540 ppm Pb and 4,120 ppm Cu (see figure 2). In the northern portion of SLO 2 traces of galena were observed in a rhyolite tuff. In west central SLO 1 traces of chalcopyrite, galena and sphalerite occur in a cherty rhyolitic tuff.

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### Field and Analytical Techniques

The geochemical survey consisted of silt, soil and rock sampling on the SLO 1 and 2 mineral claims. Several silt samples were taken on the north fork of Sloquet Creek. Soil samples taken were intended to followup and confirm anomalous soils gathered in 1980 and also to expand the soil sampling coverage in the southern portion of SLO 2. Due to the ruggedness of the terrain all samples were collected along contour lines on 200m intervals except near the small sphalerite showing in southern SLO 2 where the interval was 25m. Soil samples were taken from the B horizon 5-25cm below surface. Rock samples, consisting of 2 kg amounts, were collected from representative outcrops over a 1m interval; only fresh material was sampled.

All sample sites were marked with orange flagging. Soil and silt samples were stored in large kraft envelopes. Rock samples were stored in heavy plastic sample bags.

The soil and silt samples were dried, the rock samples were crushed; the sample material was then sieved to minus 80 mesh, and the fines retained for analysis. Copper, lead, zinc contents were determined by atomic absorption spectrophotometry of solutions obtained by 20% nitric acid digestion of sieved material.

#### Results

The concentration ranges, geometric means, and anomaly thresholds for copper, lead, and zinc are listed in Table I. Threshold values were estimated on the basis of probability plots and histograms of the combined 1980 and 1981 data. The anomaly threshold values for soils was also chosen for rocks because: there are relatively few analyses of rocks compared to those for soils; and the soil may be more properly defined as talus fines because of poorly developed residual soil profiles and continued downslope movement of material. In this way much of the soil is comparable to disintegrated rock and, with minor exceptions, the copperlead-zinc geochemistry will reflect this. Results are plotted in figures 3, 4 and 5.

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DATA	D	[STF	RIBU	TI	ON	PARAMETERS	
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Element	Range	Geometric Mean (ppm)	Estimated Anomaly Threshold (ppm)
Cu	1 - 4,120	39.0	201
Рb	<4 - 3,600	19.4	149
Zn	10 - 17,880	98.0	412

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## DISCUSSION OF RESULTS

Few copper anomalies are present on the claims. Values are erratic and most lie far below the anomaly threshold level. A clustering of anomalies in the southern portion of SLO 2, mainly in rocks, indicates a weak copper enrichment in this area. Traces of visible chalcopyrite are occasionally seen in hand specimens collected from outcrops within the anomalous zone.

Lead anomalies in rocks and soils occur in the southern and northwestern portions of SLO 2. Weak galena mineralization in variable amounts (trace to 0.3%) in bedrock accounts for the rock and soil anomalies. One weakly anomalous rock sample from western SLO 1 was obtained but no lead soil anomaly was coincident with it.

Zinc anomalies occur in the same areas as the lead anomalies on both SLO 1 and 2. Similarly the zinc anomalies are related to weak sphalerite mineralization in bedrock (trace to 1.7%).

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## APPENDIX "A"

## EXHIBIT "A"

## STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES

## ON THE SLO 1 and 2 MINERAL

## CLAIMS FOR 1981

## GEOLOGY

Salaries:	R.J. Sharp field:	Sept. 5-7, 12-29(21	days @	\$192.87/day)=	\$ 4,050.27
		Report writing (4	days 0	\$141.53/day)=	566.12
	P.D. Leriche:	Sept. 5-29 (25	days @	\$105.60/day)=	2,640.00
	J. Lavigne:	Sept. 5-11 (7	days @	\$ 87.12/day)=	609.84
	M. Clayton field:	Sept. 12-29 (18	days @	\$ 87.12/day)=	1,568.16
			days @	\$ 66.00/day)=	264.00

## CAMP SUPPORT

Lumber, camp fuel, supplies	=	843.10
Food (\$20/man day x 71 man days)	=	1,420.00
Communications (Radio Rental, B.C. Tel. radio-phone charges)	=	311.06
Drafting Supplies	=	70.84

## TRANSPORTATION

Helicopter (plus fuel)	13.27 hrs. @ \$439.00/hr.	=	5,825.53
Fixed Wing		=	1,050.40
Truck Rental 5 ton for ca	mp mobilization	=	207.97
Truck Fuel		=	110.00

## GEOCHEMISTRY

78 Soil Samples @ \$3.55/sample		=	276.90
35 Rock Samples @ \$5.55/sample		=	194.25
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	=	\$20,008,44

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#### APPENDIX "B"

#### STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS

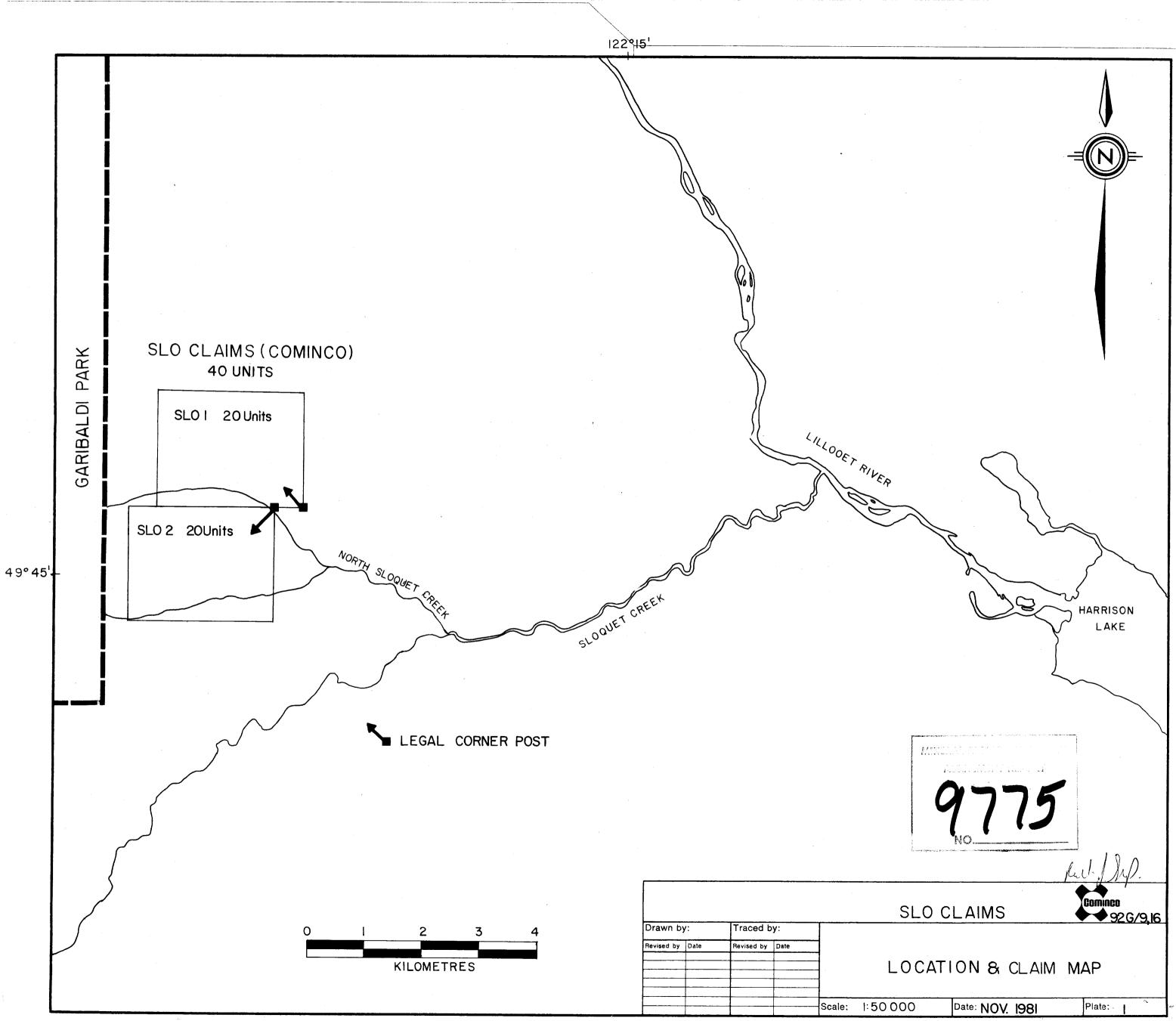
I ROBERT J. SHARP, OF THE CITY OF VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA, HEREBY **CERTIFY:** 

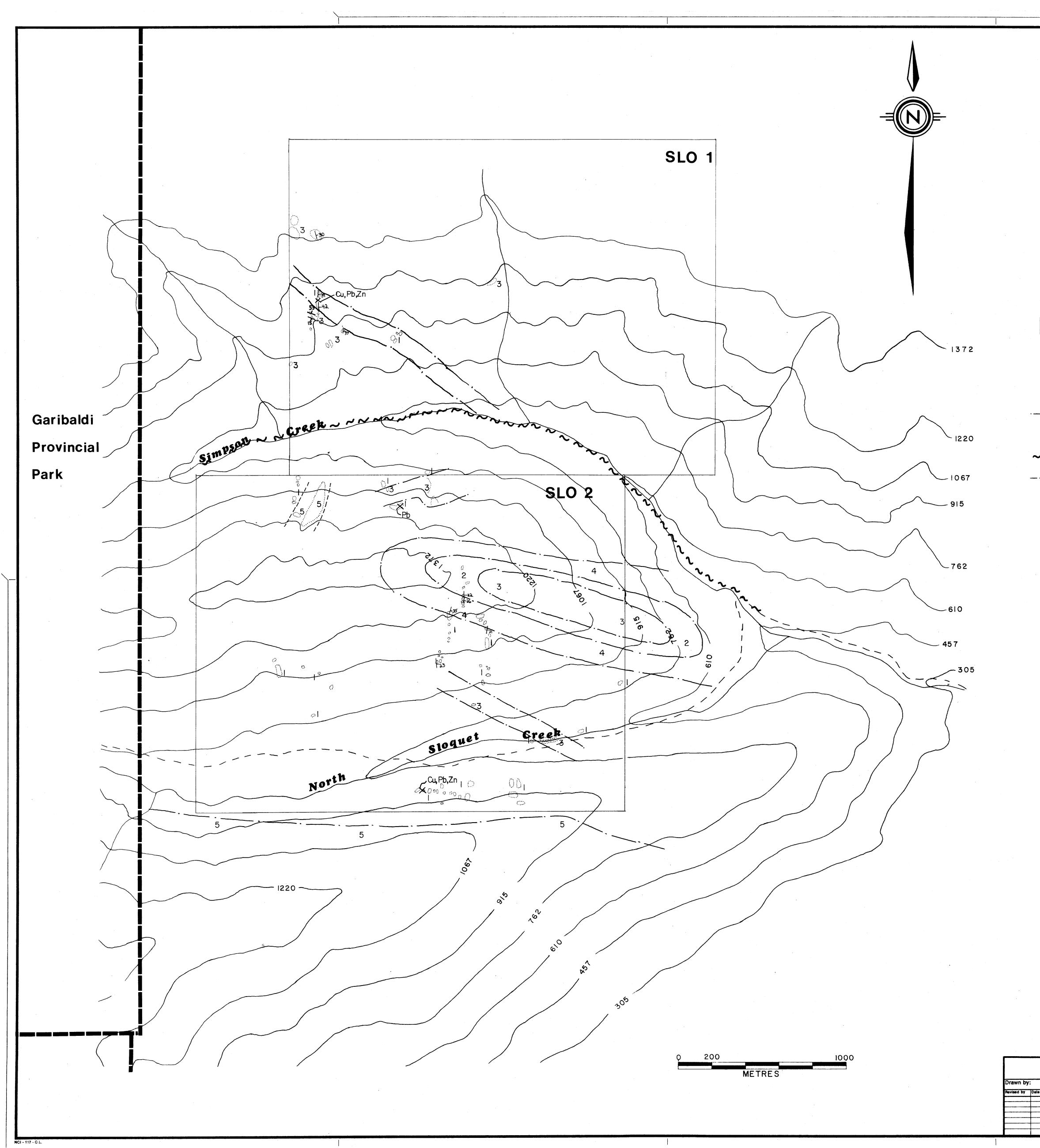
- 1. THAT I AM A GEOLOGIST RESIDING AT 2764 WEST SECOND AVENUE, VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA WITH A BUSINESS ADDRESS AT 700-409 GRANVILLE STREET, VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA.
- 2. THAT I GRADUATED WITH A B.SC. DEGREE IN MINERAL ENGINEERING FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA IN 1975.
- THAT I GRADUATED WITH AN M.SC. DEGREE IN GEOLOGY FROM THE UNIVERISTY 3. OF ALBERTA IN 1980.
- THAT I HAVE PRACTISED GEOLOGY WITH THE UNION OIL COMPANY OF CANADA 4. LTD., MINERALS DIVISION, IN CALGARY ALBERTA FROM 1978 UNTIL 1980.
- 5. THAT I HAVE PRACTISED GEOLOGY WITH COMINCO LTD. FROM 1980 to 1981.
- 6. THAT I AM REGISTERED AS AN ENGINEER-IN-TRAINING WITH THE ASSOCIATION OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS, GEOLOGISTS AND GEOPHYSICISTS OF THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA: MEMBER NUMBER 18311.

DATED THIS DAY OF

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Signed: Kut fue Pohant 1 Sharp, M.Sc.



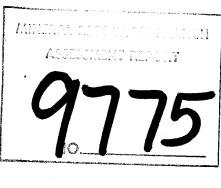


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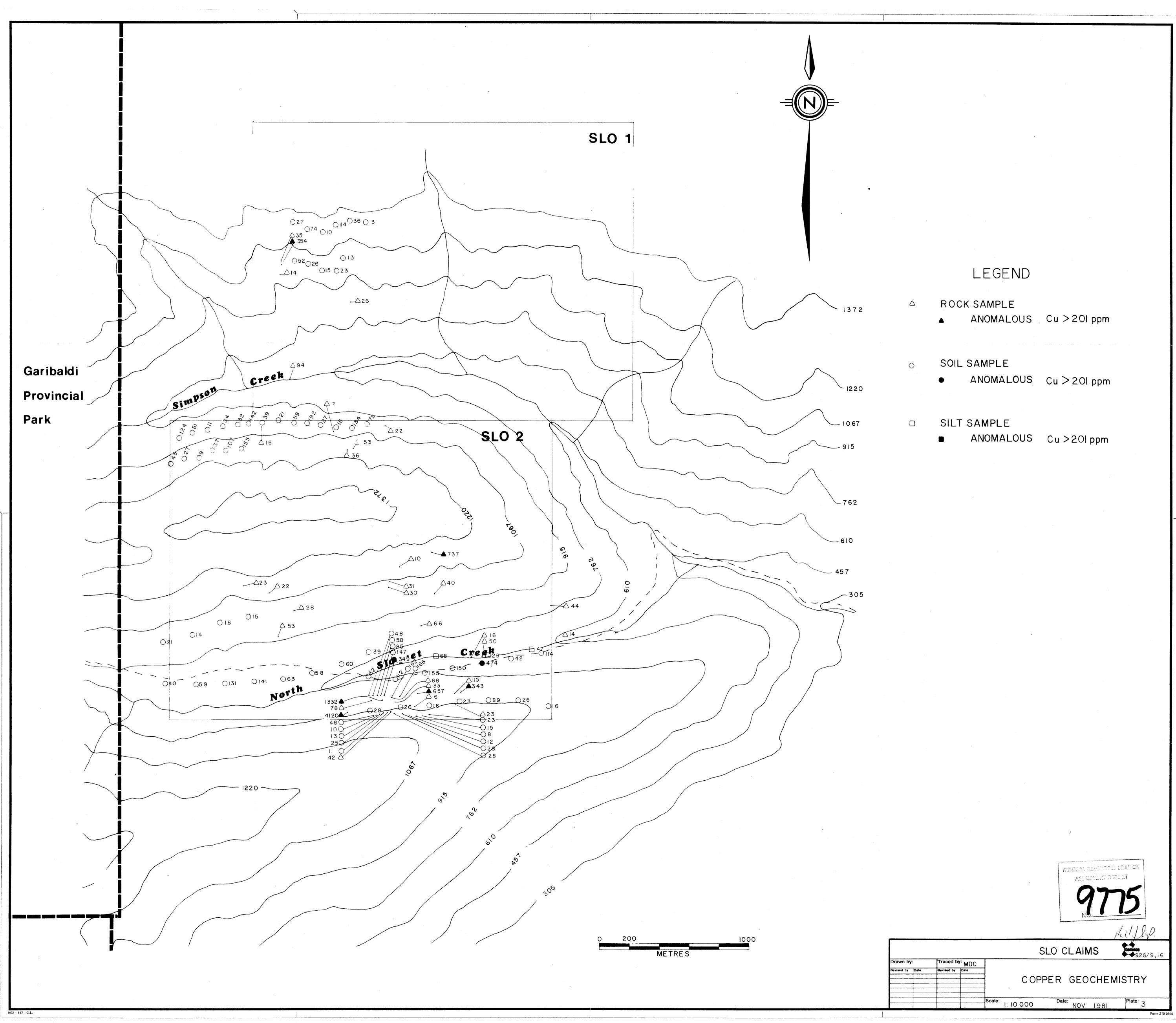
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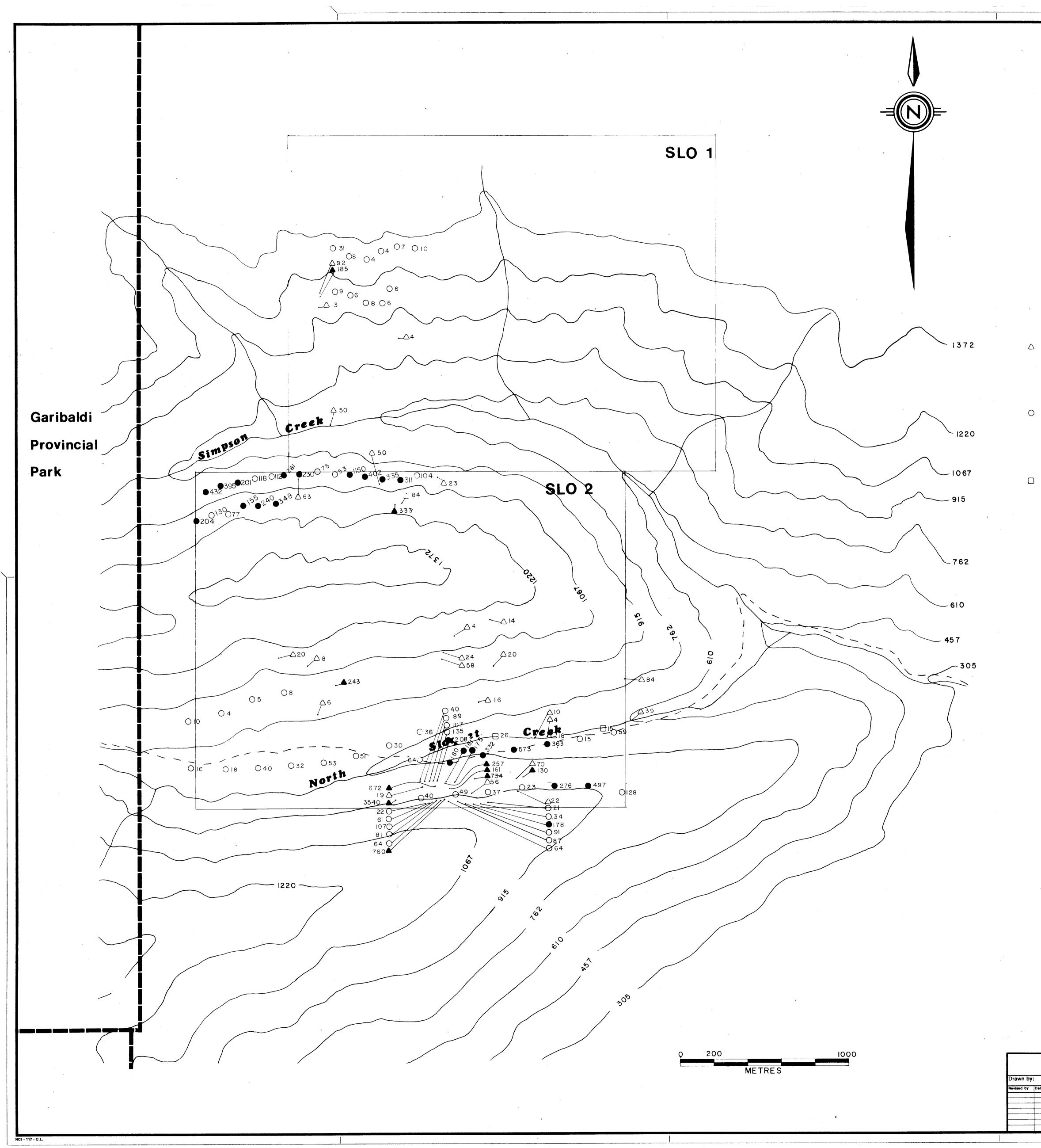
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	Geological Contact
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Cu,Pb,Zn	Sulfide Mineralization



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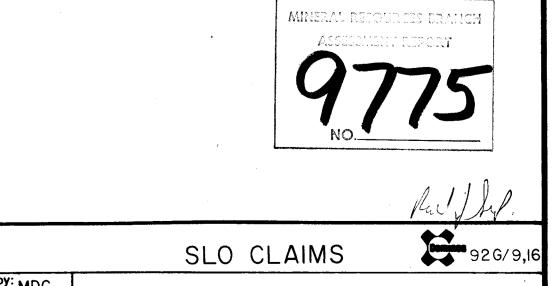




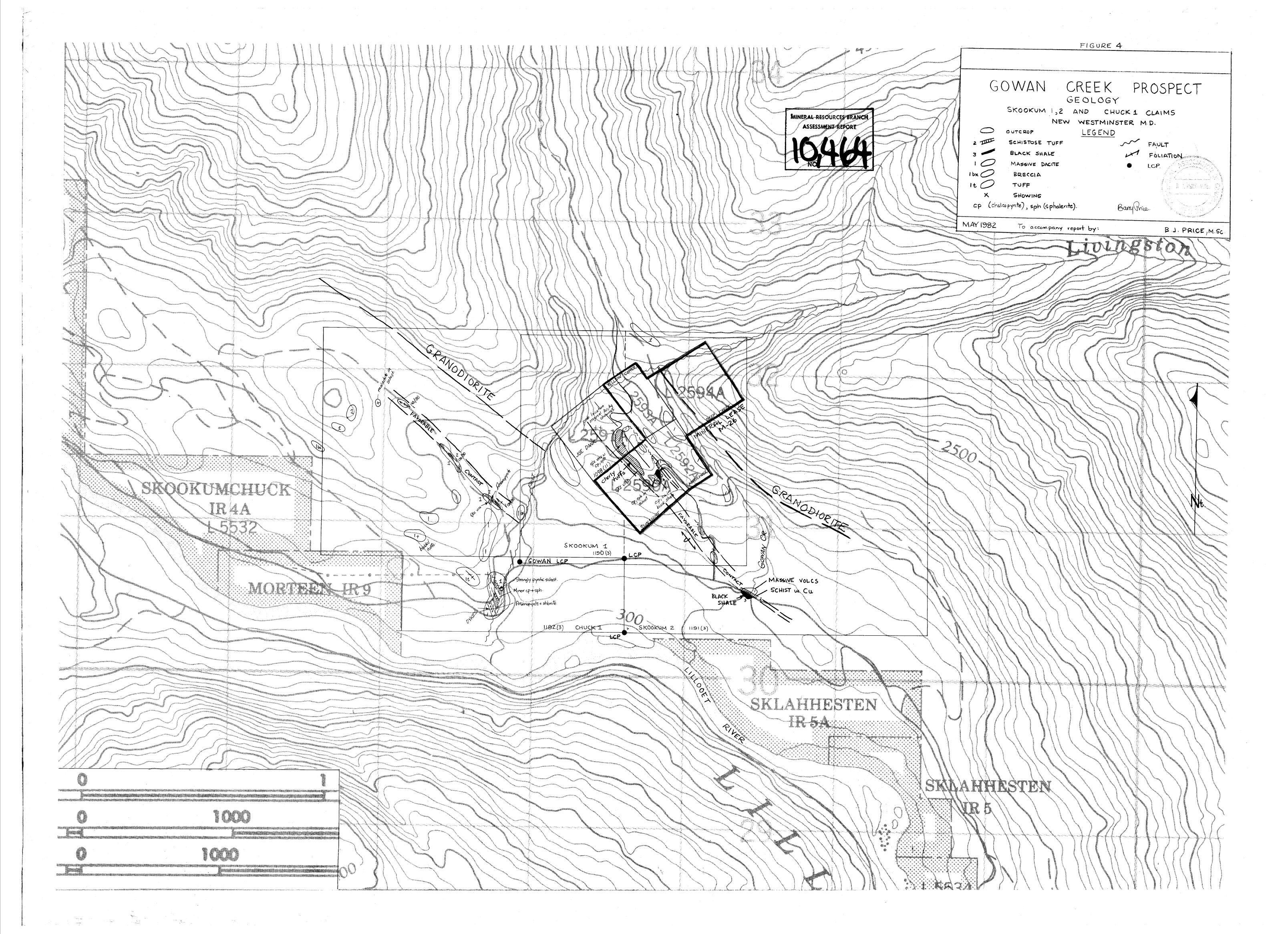
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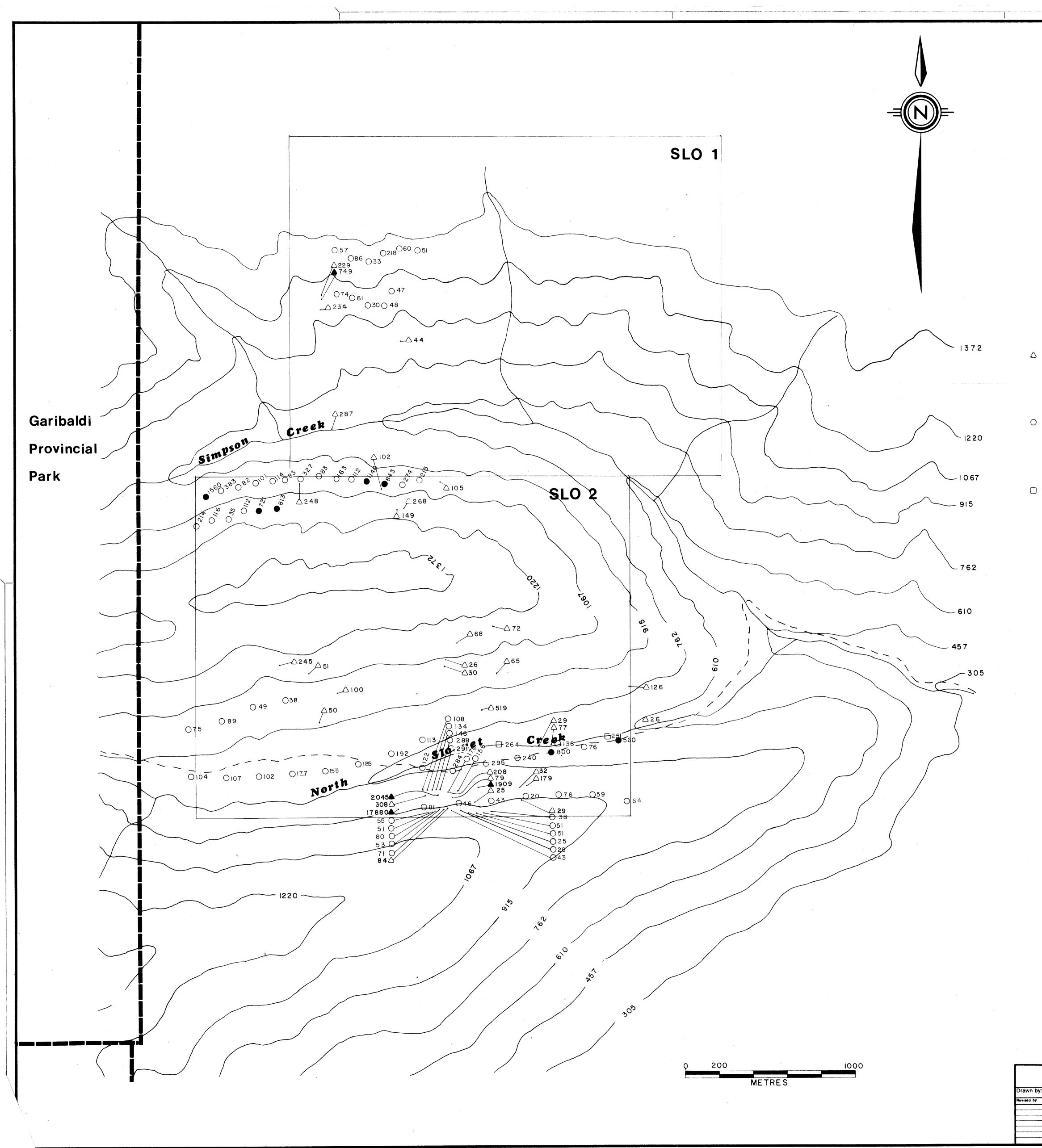
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