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## CONDUCTIVITY SURVEY

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## NITHI MOUNTAIN MOLYBDENUM PROPERTY

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## MOM GROUP

(MOLLY 1-14, 17, 18 Mineral Claims) OMINECA MINING DIVISION

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## INTRODUCTION (Location, Property Description)

The Nithi Mountain molybdenum property is located about 8 km ( 5 mi. ) south of the village of Fraser Lake, which is 158 km ( 98 mi .) west of the city of Prince George in central British Columbia (Figure 1). The property lies almost entirely within N.T.S. $93 \mathrm{~F} / 15$ with the northern margin extending into the southern part of N.T.S. $93 \mathrm{~K} / 2$. The top of Nithi Mountain is located at approximately $124^{\circ} 50^{\prime}$ West longitude and $53^{\circ} 58^{\prime}$ North latitude, near the central part of the property, at an elevation of 1,352 metres (4,435 feet) ASL, Figure la.

The Nithi Mountain property consists of 17 old-style two-post claims and about 110 claim units staked under the modified grid system, within the Omineca Mining Division. As is shown in Figure 2, these claims cover and surround Nithi Mountain and its flanks. This contiguous block of claims is held under option by Rockwell Mining Corporation from three different owners. The ! !olly 1-14, 17 and 18 are optioned from Andrew Robertson (Fraser Lake Mines); the MJM 1-5 claims from Nithex Explorations Ltd.; and the Strep and Strep 79 claims from P. Ogryzlo and Don Young. In addition, the DB 1-4 claims were staked in the summer of 1980 for Rockwell. Mining Corporation. The total area under option is 2,850 hectares ( 7,042 acres). These claims have been grouped for purposes of assessment into the MOM group (consisting of the MOLLY $1-14,17,18$, MJM 3-5 claims), and the SMID group (consisting of the DB $1-4$, MJM 1-2, STREP, STREP 79 claims). A summary of relevant claim data is presented in Table 1.1 and the claims are shown in Figure lb.

## Assessibility

The Nithi Mountain property is accessible from Fraser Lake by four-wheel-drive vehicles via the Chowsunkit logging road and secondary roads. The main electrical power line for the Endako Mine is only four miles north of the property. The village of Fraser Lake is located along the Yellowhead Highway (B.C. Highway 16) and the main Canadian National rail line through central British Columbia to Prince Rupert. A small airfield is located about 1 km south of Fraser Lake, which is capable of accommodating light aircraft. Thus, there exists an excellent transportation and mining infrastructure within a relatively short distance from the property which would allow rapid development of any mineral deposits found in the vicinity.

## TABLE 1.1

SUMMARY OF CLAIM DATA



FIGURE Ia
regional location map
NITHI MOUNTAIN MOLYBDENUM PROPERTY


PROPERTY LOCATION MAP

The original claims staked on Nithi Mountain were staked during the period 1952-1955 for uranium. Mineralization in the form of the secondary uranium minerals was found in a fractured rhyolite prophyry dyke within Topley granite. The showing was located at an elevation of $1,070 \mathrm{~m}$ ( 3,500 feet) on the northwestern slope of Nithi Mountain. The dyke had a length of 185 m ( 600 feet) and a width of about 30 m ( 100 feet), and trended northsouth.

Work on these original claims included trenching and drilling. Four drill holes were completed in 1956 by American Standard Mines who optioned the original claims. In all, a total of 100 m ( 333 feet) of drilling was completed. This uranium mineralization was found to have no depth extension and the claims were subsequently dropped.

With the discovery of the Endako Mine in 1962, there was renewed exploration in the area for molybdenite. This exploration resulted in the staking of Nithi Mountain by various junior mining companies including $R \& P$ Metals Ltd. (Fraser Lake Mines), Fort Reliance Minerals, Dundee Mines, Jodee Explorations, and New Indian Mines. Trenching, soil sampling, and diamond drilling were completed during this period. Although molybdenum mineralization was discovered, both in surface workings and in subsequent diamond drilling, little effort was directed towards a systematic evaluation of these properties. Interest gradually declined in the late $1960^{\circ}$ s and most claims were allowed to lapse.

In 1970, Nithex Exploration restaked the area and carried out an exploration program of trenching and diamond drilling. Nithex drilled a total of four diamond drill holes, one of which encountered significant molybdenite mineralization.

In 1975, Amex Potash Limited optioned the claims held by Nithex and Fraser Lake Mines on Nithi Mountain and subsequently acquired additional claims in the same area in order to complement their land position. Exploration carried out in 1975 by Amex included geologic mapping, soil sampling, magnetic surveying, and induced polarization surveying. In the summer of 1976, a percussion drilling program was completed by Amex on their Nithi Mountain properties. Twelve holes totalling 975m (3,200 feet) were drilled on the property. Subsequently, Amex dropped their option on the property.

In 1980, Rockwell Mining Corporation optioned the various mineral properties on Nithi Mountain and contracted Taiga Consultants Ltd. to carry out an exploration program on these properties. This exploration program consisted of soil and rock geochemical sampling, geological mapping, and prospecting, carried out during the sumer of 1980. Based on the encouraging results obtained from this program, a further program was initiated in the fall of 1980 consisting of road building, drill-site preparation, trenching, and rock geochemical sampling. In early 1981, additional road building was undertaken to open up a second access road and to complete a sump hole on the Chris Showing.

From April 24 to June 1, 1981, a diamond drilling program was completed on the property. Work carried out on the claims consisted of diamond drilling of $1,818 \mathrm{~m}\left(5,963^{\prime}\right)$ of NO core at ten locations on the property, as shown on Map 1 in the back pocket of this report. Four of these drill holes were on the Chris Showing and the remaining six drill holes were on the Terri Showing.

All drill core was geologically logged, split and assayed for molybdenum, with the results reported as $\mathrm{MoS}_{2}$. These results were presented in a series of drill logs that accompanied a drilling report by Taiga Consultants Ltd. in July 1981. A series of cross-sections accompany the drilling report and these illustrate the grade and structural attitude of the molybdenite mineralization that was encountered.

## PURPOSE OF THE STUDY AND SUMMARY OF WORK DONE

Exploration methods used in the search for a molybdenite orebody at Nithi Mountain, British Columbia were, to this date, conventional prospecting and mapping, geochemical soil surveys and an induced polarization survey. This study proposes that the conductivity of soils may reduce the target area and serve as an ore guide in a manner equivalent to or superior to the use of soil geochemistry as an exploration technique.

Results based on 1,867 soil samples from the entire study area proved that the correlation between manganese, iron, zinc, and conductivity with molybdenum was very weak due to the large sample size and the mixture of the barren earth material population with the mineralized population. Correlation coefficients increased significantly when two profiles of smaller areas were examined. One profile crossed known molybdenum mineralization at the surface and the other crossed an area with no mineralization at surface but the soils contained anomalous concentrations of molybdenum. In the first case, conductivity proved to have the strongest correlation with molybdenum mineralization. In
the second profile, neither manganese, iron, zinc, or conductivity were found to correlate with molybdenum. Also, conductivity values across the unmineralized profile were lower than the mineralized profile. It is believed that conductivity is detecting alteration that is characteristic of quartz-molybdenite veins in the study area. Conductivity appears to be a useful technique to reduce the target area and compared to other elements in the geochemical survey, has the best correlation with molybdenum concentrations in the soil, over known mineral occurrences.

A $1: 5,000$ scale conductivity contour map is supplied in the back pocket of this report. Values above 12,63 mmos ${ }^{-1}$ are considered anomalous (Map 2).

## TOPOGRAPHY AND GIACIATION


#### Abstract

The Endako-Fraser Lake area lies within a glacially dissected part of the Nechako Plateau. Major east trending valleys separate broken upland ridges (Carr, 1965). According to Tipper (1971), piedmont glaciers from the Coast Mountains of British Columbia advanced across the Nechako Plateau in a northeast direction during Pleistocene time. Ice also moved into the area from the Omineca and Skeena Mountains from the northwest. The ice masses coalesced over the Nechako Plateau then moved east and northeast until meeting the Rocky Mountain barrier. Glacial striations that trend east have been observed at the summit of Nithi Mountain (Davis, 1980). The retreat of the ice, in this area was along the Fraser river (Tipper, 1971). According to Carr (1965), Francois Lake was dammed by stagnant ice at the southern foot of Nithi Mountain, in late glacial time. Francois Lake emptied into Fraser Lake through a rock-cut canyon, in its present spillway, the Stellako River. Carr (1965) sites as evidence for this, the existence of, residual patches of glacial lake silts and gravels that rest on bedrock at low elevations along


the shore of Francois Lake. Moreover, Carr (1965) also states that, although the topography has been strongly influenced by the east trending Pleistocene ice movement, the bedrock structure, joint and fault systems have a more pronounced effect on the topography.

The following description for the regional geology of the Endako-Fraser Lake area, which includes Nithi Mountain, is based on Davis (1980), Carr (1965), and Bright (1967). The stratigraphy was originally described by Tipper (1959), then modified by Davis (1980).

The geology of the area is dominated by a batholith composed of numerous individual plutons belonging to the Topley Intrusives, (Bright, 1967).

The Topley Intrusives are Mesozoic in age and range in composition from diorite to alaskite, but $75 \%$ of the batholith is quartz monzonite and granodiorite. The Topley Intrusives cover an area, approximately $259 \mathrm{~km}^{2}$, centred around Endako, as shown in Fig. 1d. They form part of a composite body that lies in a northwest trending belt of granitic plutons, extending from Babine Lake to Quesnel, a distance of 290 km (Bright, 1967). The Topley Intrusives range in age from Middle Jurassic to Lower Cretaceous (Tipper, 1963). Symons (1973) has obtained an age of $139 \pm 4 \mathrm{~m} \cdot \mathrm{y}$. for the Topley Intrusives, based on a paleomagnetic study of 114 samples.


Figure le
REGIONAL GEOLOGY NITHI MOUNTAIN

## BRITISH COLUMBIA

| Q | Quaternary |
| :---: | :---: |
| MEnd | Endako Group |
| uKOa | Ootsa Lake Group |


| mJTi | Topley Intrusions |
| :--- | :--- |
| TrJnTa | Takla Group |
| Rns Fault |  |



Figure 1d. The Topley Batholith, Nechako Plateau, $\begin{aligned} & \text { central British Columbia. After Symons (1972). }\end{aligned}$

Tipper (195.9) has subdivided the Topley Intrusives into 9 lithological units, as shown in Table l. According to Carr (1965), there are more than 12 individual plutons . of Topley Intrusives in the area. Five of these plutons occur within the study area as shown in Figure 2. The most significant of these plutons are the Simon Bay diorite Complex, the Nithi quartz monzonite, and Casey alaskite as these contain Molybdenum mineralization. The mineralization is localized in fractures and veins, containing molybdenum and quartz and as disseminations.

According to Davis (1980), the Nithi quartz morzonite is equivalent in age and composition to the Endako quartz monzonite, which is the host rock for the Endako Molybdenum deposit. However, there is some conflict as to the age relation of the Endako and Nithi plutons. Carr (1965) states that the Nithi quartz monzonite superficially resembles the Endako quartz monzonite in composition and grain size but unlike the Endako quartz monzonite, these rocks contain oscillatory zoned plagioclase. Bright (1967) states that the Nithi quartz monzonite is younger than the Endako quartz monzonite since he believes that the Nithi

REGIOHAL STRATIGRAPHIC SUCCESSIOH

| Era | Period or Epoch | Formation | Lithology |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cenozote | Recent |  | Stream and lake deposits, talus, soil |
|  | Pleistocene |  | Glacial and glacio-fluvial deposits |
|  | Erosion interval |  |  |
|  | Oligocene and Miocene | Endako Group | Basalt, andesite; related tuff and breccia; minor shale and greywacke |
| Angular unconforaity |  |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mesozoie } \\ & \text { and } \\ & \text { Cenozoic } \end{aligned}$ | Upper Cretaceous and Paleocane | Dotsa Lake Group | Rhyolitic and dacitic tuff and breccia; shale, sandstone, conglomerate |
|  |  |  | Rhyolite, dacite, trachyte, andesite: minor basalt; related tuff and brecefa |
|  |  |  | Basalt, andesite; minor rhyolite, sandstone, and conglomerate |
| Erosion fnterval |  |  |  |
| Mesozoic | Lower and Middle Jurassic | Hazelton Group | Greywacke, argillite, conglonerate tuff, breccia, andesite. and arkose; minor rhyolfte |
|  |  |  | Andesite, related tuffs and breccias, chert-pebble conglonerate, shale, and sandstone |
|  | Unconformity; erosional interval |  |  |
|  | MtddTe <br> Jurassic <br> to Lower <br> Cretaceous | Topley Intrusions: <br> Fraser quartz gonzonite <br> Stellako intrusions <br> Francois granite <br> Casey alaskite <br> G7enanaan complex <br> Mithi quartz monzonite <br> Quartz feidspar porphysy, porphyritic granite. aplite <br> Endako quartz monzonite <br> Simon Bay diorite complex | Granfte. granodiorite, diorite, and ouartz diorite Pink biorite-homblende quartz monzonite. Small circular stock. <br> Pink biotite quartz monzonite, pink-grey homblende-biotite granodiorite. Discordant, north-northeast trend <br> Red porphyritic biotite aranite. Niarolytic, chifled margins. Ho molybdenum deposits. <br> Leucogranite and quartz monzonite. Dfscordant stocks and satellitic dykes. Molybdenum deposits at Oxl Lake. Tatin Lake. Hithi Mountain, and Endako. <br> Zoned pluton north of Endako. Pink porphyritic granite. oustz monzontte, granodiorite. Ho molybdenul deposits. <br> Pink-grey subporphyritic biotite-hornblende auartz monzonite. Resembies Endako quartz monzonite and may be equivalent. Molybdenum deposit at Mithi Mountain <br> Irown-pink porphyry dykes up to 45 metres vide, abundant at mine. Porphyritic pink posash feldspar granite dykes up to 15 metres wide. Pink sugary aplite up to 1.2 metres wide <br> Pink subporphyritic biofite-hornbiende quariz monzonite. Host rock at Endako mine <br> Coarse-grained, foliated hornblende diorite, quarez diorite. granodiorfte, gabbro. Hesozonal, concordant pluton. Oldest Topley unit. No molybdenum deposits |
|  | Intrusive contact with lower part of Takla group |  |  |
|  | Upper <br> Triassic and Lower Jurassịc | Takla Group | Red and brown shale, congionerate, and greywacke |
|  |  |  | Andesitic and basaitic fiows, tuffs, and breccias; interbedded argillite and minor Ilmestone |
| Intrusive contact between Topley Intrusions and Cache Creek Group |  |  |  |
| Paleozoic | Pennsylvanian and Permian | Cache Creek Group | Limestone, chert, argillite |

(After Tipper, 1959. Modified by Davis, 1980).
quartz monzonite is part of the Glennanan Complex which intrudes the Simon Bay Complex and the Endako quartz monzonite. .

According to Tipper (1959), the oldest rocks in the area consist of Permian and Pennsylvanian limestone, chert, and argillite of the Cache Creek Group. These are intruded by the Topley Intrusives. Next in the stratigraphic succession are Upper Triassic and Lower Jurassic volcanics, shale, conglomerate, and greywacke of the Takla Group which are also intruded by the Topley Intrusives.

The Topley batholith is unconformably overlain by Lower to Middle Jurassic volcanics, chert-pebble conglomerate, shale, sandstone, greywacke, argillite, and arkose of the Hazelton Group. The Hazelton Group is unconformably overlain by Upper Cretaceous and Paleocene volcanics, shale, and sandstone of the Ootsa Lake Group. The Ootsa Lake Group is unconformably overlain by Oligocene and Miocene volcanics, shale, and greywacke of the Endako Group. The Pleistocene glacial deposits are glacio-fluviai deposits. Recent deposits are fluvial and lacustine sediments (Tipper, 1959).

Locally, in the Endako area, the Topley Intrusives are unconformably overiain by flat-lying Tertiary volcanic flows of the Endako Group (Carr, 1965).

According to Carr (1965), there is a major northeast trending fault system south of Francois Lake that separates the Takla and Hazelton Groups from younger Ootsa Lake Group rocks to the east. All three groups contain small intrusions consisting of dacite to granite which are Cenozoic in age and are in the form of dykes, sill-like bodies, and agglomeratic necks (Carr, 1965). Carr (1965) also states that these intrusions are highly fractured and faulted and are often mineralized with specular hematite and pyrite as sparse disseminations or in fractures.

## GEOLOGY OF NITHI MOUNTAIN

Five members of the Topley Intrusives are present within the study area at Nithi Mountain, Fig. 2. Three contain molybdenite: the Simon Bay Complex, Nithi quartz monzonite, and Casey alaskite. There are also many granitic dykes that are phases of the Topley Intrusives and there are also mafic dykes of the younger Endako Group.

The following description of the geology of the study area is based on Davis (1980), Carr (1966) and Bright (1967). A brief description of the rock units is given by Tipper (1559), Table 1.

Bright (1967) has chronologically divided the intrusive* bodies for the Topley batholith into 5 units, as follows:

| oldest (1) |  | Simon Bay (diorite) Complex |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $(2)$ | (i) | Endako Quartz Monzonite |
| (3) | Francois Granite |  |
| (3) | Glennanan Complex |  |
| youngest (5) | Casey Quartz Monzonite |  |
| Stellako Quartz Monzonite |  |  |

Bright (1967) describes the Nithi quartz monzonite as part of the Glennanan Complex and suggests that it was emplaced while in a highly fluid state into the epizonal environment. Bright (1967) also suggests that the intrusion of the Glennanan Complex, (which includes the Nithi quartz

monzonite) subjected the earlier intrusives, especially the Endako quartz monzonite, to intense fracturing and local block faulting.

Moreover, Bright (1967) states that Topley stages 2 to 5 represent a continuous period of epizonal intrusion following the emplacement of the more deep seated Simon Bay Complex. Apparently, northwest and northeast trending fracture zones controlled the structurai evolution of the Topley complex in the study area (Bright, 1967).

## Simon Bay (diorite) Complex

According to Bright (1967), the Simon Bay Complex is the southeast extension of a discontinuous belt of foliated diorite and amphibolite, trending northwest along the periphery of the Topley intrusions. Bright (1967) states that the foliation of the Simon Bay Complex conforms to the regional northwest trend of the Topley batholith.

Carr (1965) describes these rocks as greenish, fine to medium grained, equigranular quartz diorites, consisting of moderate amounts of quartz and orthoclase or microcline and abundant plagioclase, biotite, and hornblende. According to Bright (1967), the diorite is sheared and altered and
contains minor lenses of amphibolite, gneiss, and gabbro which accentuate the foliation of the Simon Bay Complex. Where the diorite is unsheared, the character of the foliation suggests a primary origin produced during the emplacement of the magma (Bright, 1967).

## Endako Quartz Monzonite

This intrusive does not occur on Nithi Mountain but it may be equivalent to the Nithi quartz monzonite (Davis, 1980). It outcrops in a belt containing the Endako Molybdenum deposit and extends from the Stellako River west northwest for approximately 14.5 km . It is bounded by a younger intrusive to the south, the Casey quartz monzonite, which occurs at Nithi Mountain.

This rock type consists of pink-grey, medium-grained, porphyritic quartz monzonite. Red phenocrysts of perthitic orthoclase account for $1 / 3$ of the composition, and these phenocrysts range from .5 cm to 1 cm in length (Carr, 1965). There are also paler coloured phenocrysts of plagioclase and quartz. The remainder of the rock consists of 1 to 2 mm crystals of the same composition with biotite and some hornblende accounting for $5 \%$ of the rock (Carr, 1965).

## Nithi Quartz Monzonite

The Nithi quartz monzonite forms the summit and the north and south flanks of Nithi Mountain. It is bounded on the east flank of the mountain by the younger Casey alaskite and it intrudes the older Simon Bay diorite on the western flank of the mountain. To the northwest, it is intruded by the younger Stellako quartz monzonite and to the southwest, it is intruded by another younger intrusion, the Caledonia quartz monzonite.

The Nithi quartz monzonite consists of 2 phases:
(I) a medium-grained, pink-grey rock with abundant biotite and a granular texture which is subporphyritic, and (2) a lighter coloured pink rock, strongly porphyritic, coarsegrained with phenocrysts of perthitic orthoclase and aggregated quartz, but also of plagioclase that together account for $1 / 3$ of the rock.

According to Carr (1965), the subporphyritic variety consists of $35 \%$ quartz, $21 \%$ orthoclase, $35 \%$ plagioclase, $7 \%$ biotite, and $1 \%$ hornblende.

The porphyritic variety consists of $40 \%$ quartz, $30 \%$ orthoclase, $23 \%$ plagioclase, $7 \%$ biotite, hornblende and accessory minerals.

Carr (1965), unlike Bright (1967), does not classify the Nithi quartz monzonite as part of the Glennanan quartz monzonite, but specifies that the only difference between these two intrusives is that the Nithi quartz monzonite contains phenocrysts and medium sized crystals of orthoclase and plagioclase that reach lengths of 2 cm and 5 cm respectively. The quartz phenocrysts contain feldspar inclusions.

## Caledonia Quartz Monzonite

The Caledonia quartz monzonite occurs on the southwest flank of Nithi Mountain and it also intrudes the Endako quartz monzonite. This is a pink-grey porphyritic, mediumgrained rock containing equivalent amounts of quartz, plagioclase and potassium feldspar, and 5 to $10 \%$ biotite. Phenocrysts of subhedral potassium feldspar up to 16 mm long account for $10 \%$ of the rock (Carr, 1966).

## Casey Alaskite - Quartz Monzonite

The Alaskite variety of this intrusive is found at the margins of the body as dykes and veins. It consists of $33 \%$ quartz, $40 \%$ orthoclase, $25 \%$ plagioclase, and $2 \%$ biotite (Carr, 1965). Pink or white coarser-grained quartz monzonites are also classified with this intrusive.

Weathering is either white or brown. These rocks are found in the stock or the north arm of the stock on Nithi Mountain. Coarser-grained quartz monzonites may contain large phenocrysts of orthoclase and quartz up to 1 cm in length, and they may account for $30 \%$ of the rock. These varieties consist of quartz $36 \%$, orthoclase $30 \%$, plagioclase $30 \%$, biotite $3 \%$, and accessories 1\% (Carr, 1965).

## Stellako Quartz Monzonite

This intrusive body is found at the northwest corner of the study area. It is one of the youngest of the Topley intrusives and consists of grey, finely crystalline, massive quartz monzonite with approximately $5 \%$ biotite and $2 \%$ hornblende (Davis, 1980).

## Minor Intrusions

According to Davis (1980), aplite dykes occur with granitic pegmatite in the study area, as shown in Figure 2. The aplite is pink, fine-grained, and consists of quartz, orthoclase, plagioclase, and biotite. Rhyolitic porphyry dykes, quartz latite, dacite, and andesite dykes also occur. Dyke rocks are generally pre-mineral in age (Davis, 1980).

Dykes with quartz, orthoclase, and plagioclase phenocrysts are found on the west side of Nithi Mountain within the Nithi quartz monzonite. Mineralization in this type is unique to Nithi Mountain and the Endako ore deposit in the Endako quartz monzonite (Davis, 1980).

Small lamprophyre dykes, associated with shear zones and joints, also occur on Nithi Mountain and at the Endako ore body, and they are post-ore in age (Davis, 1980).

## REGIONAL STRUCTURA工 GEOLOGY

According to Carr (1965), the majority of the Topley Intrusives are tabular in shape and steeply inclined, but there is not enough evidence to describe the structure of the batholith in detail. Faulting appears to have been the dominant component of structural control for all the intrusive episodes. Repeated conditions of tension would be necessary to allow successive emplacement of the intrusions (Carr, 1965).

The Topley Intrusives intrude the southwest flank of the Pinchi geanticline which is an elongate, northwest trending, fault bounded belt of Cache Creek Group rocks (Davis, 1980). According to Davis (1980), the Pinchi geanticline was uplifted, folded, and faulted in Late Triassic time and the peripheral faults along the flanks of the geanticline may have controlled emplacement of the Topley batholith. Davis (1980) cites that the Topley Intrusives are intrusive into the Takla and Hazelton Groups to the southwest of Nithi Mountain.

Carr (1965) suggests that the uneven granular texture of the Casey quartz monzonite may be due to crushing and
milling prior to the final stages of crystallization. Carr (1965) also suggests that the primary foliation in many of the intrusive bodies, such as the Simon Bay Complex, are due to external stress.

Topographic lineaments, other than the east trending lineaments associated with glaciation, may coincide with faults (Carr, 1965). These lineaments trend west northwest, northeast, and north.

STRUCTURAL GEOLOGY OF THE ENDAKO MOLYBDENUN DEPOSIT AND OF THE NITHI MOUNTAIN AREA

According to Davis (1980), the Endako Molybdenum deposit is a mineralized elongate stockwork. The structural geology of this deposit, described by Drummond and Kimura (1976), is as follows:

Four major fault trends occur in the mine area; these are local representatives of regionally developed fault systems. The local fault trends are represented by the easterly trending South Boundary fault, northwesterly trending Casey fault, northerly trending Tailings Creek fault, and north-easterly trending West Basalt Fault, Fig. 2b. The former three faults form conspicuous topographic lineaments.

Relative movement and displacement along the South Boundary fault is unknown. It is considered that this fault acted as a major control for development of the Endako stockwork. Relative horizontal movement along the Casey and Tailings Creek faults is indicated by the apparent offsets of the Endako quartz monzonite and Casey alaskite. The West Basalt fault offsets the ore deposit

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Figure 2c. Schematic diagram depicting the formation of the Endako Molybdenum deposit in central British Columbia. After Dawson and Kimura (1972).

150 m relative right-hand movement.
According to Dawson and Kimura (1972), the formation of the Endako Molybdenum deposit was influenced by three related events: the emplacement and crystallization of the Endako quartz monzonite; intrusion of residual granitic magma as pre-ore dykes; and the ascent of hydrothermal fluids through the localized zone of intense fracturing related to wrench faulting and doming. Dawson and Kimura (1972) suggest that early compressional stress during the emplacement and cooling of the Endako quartz monzonite, generated localized doming and fracturing in the vicinity of the mine at the regional intersection of eastwest, northwest, and northeast fracture systems, as shown in Fig. 2c. Pre-ore dykes followed the emplacement of the pluton. The major structural adjustments of the pluton consisted of wrench faulting along principal orebody faults and secondary shears, doming of the orebody area, and antithetic faulting along conjugate south and northwest dipping fractures (Dawson and Kimura, 1972).

Many large veins and smaller stockwork veinlets follow the predominant eastwest and northeast fracture directions
(Dawson and Kimura, 1972).
According to Davis (1980), the structure of Nithi Mountain is similar to the Endako mine in that the major fault zones south and southwest of Nithi Mountain are similar to the regional fault set which controlled the initial development of the Endako stockwork. Davis (1980) states that the general eastwest trend of quartz molybdenite veins on Nithi Mountain is similar to the trend of mineralized veins at the Endako deposit. Furthermore, Davis (1980) suggests that the northwest fracture pattern on Nithi Mountain is a first order shear direction related to left-lateral movement along the major eastwest trending fault zone, located south of Nitni Mountain. The northeast trending set of fractures would then represent a conjugate shear direction of the northwest set. It is concluded by Davis (1980) that the conditions necessary to develop a stockwork, similar to the Endako stockwork, appear to be present in the Nithi Mountain area.

## REGIONAL MOLYBDENUM MINERALIZATION

Molybdenum mineralization is found at the Endako Molybdenum deposit in Endako quartz monzonite. Several surface occurrences are also found on Nithi Mountain and south of Owl Lake. At the latter two sites, molybdenite occurs in narrow quartz veins, in fractures, and as disseminations in stockwork. On Nithi Mountain there are short lenses of mineralized banded quartz up to 0.6 m thick and approximately 6 m in length that strike northeast and dip both south and north (Carr, 1965).

At Nithi Mountain and at Owl Lake there is widespread rock alteration that is partly strongly sericitic and partly weakly chloritic, and also a type of alteration. found at the Indako deposit, that results in green coloured plagioclase and the introduction of biotite and orthoclase (Carr, 1965). Nolybdenum has also been found in drill holes and trenches.

According to Carr (1965), the mineralization at Nithi Mountain is similar to that found at Endako for the following reasons: (I) It is in an older, medium-grained quartz monzonite adjacent to the younger Casey intrusion,
(2) porphyry dykes found near mineralization are the same as some of those at the Endako Mine, and (3) strong chloritic faults occur near some showings.

## MIMERALIZATION AT THE ENDAKO MOLYBDENUM DEPOSIT

The following description of the mineralization at Endako, from Drummond and Kimura (1976), is as follows:

The primary ore minerals in the orebody are molybdenite, pyrite, and magnetite with minor amounts of chalcopyrite, traces of bornite, bismuthinite, scheelite and specularite, and all of these minerals are associated with quartz veins. Ore minerals occur in large quartz molybdenite veins and in fine fracture fillings and veinlets in the form of a stockwork.

Major ore bearing veins are 15 cm to 1 m wide, and occur in subparallel and complementary sets. Veins within the economic stockwork are spaced from 1 cm apart to several meters apart.

A pyrite zone bounds the orebody to the south. This zone consists of fine quartz and pyrite, minor magnetite, and rare molybdenite mineralization as fracture fillings in a poorly developed stockwork. The zonal boundary between molybdenite and pyrite mineralization is the hanging wall of the South Basalt fault, as shown in Figure 2b.

Three phases of hydrothermal alteration have been noted at the Endako deposit within the ore zone:
(1) K-feldspar envelopes on veins and fractures.
(2) Quartz-sericite-pyrite envelopes on veins.
(3) Pervasive kaolinization of the Endako quartz monzonite.

Within the orebody, K-feldspar-bearing envelopes are more commonly developed on quartz-molybdenite veins, and the frequency of this occurrence increases towards the footwall of the orebody.

There is no correlation between intensity of pervasive kaolinization and vein mineralogy. However, within the stockwork, the most common alteration type would lie between weak and moderate kaolinization. Intense kaolinization occurs as bounding zones around major vein systems and fault zones.

MOLYBDENUM MINERALIZATION ON NITHI MOUNTAIN

According to Davis (1980), there are 10 major molybdenite showings found in outcrops or in trenches on Nithi Mountain. Minor occurrences exposed on the surface are scattered throughout the study area. The location of each showing is given by the claim map, Fig. 2d. Description of inolybdenite Occurrences

## North Showing

The North Showing is located within the MJM claim. Molybdenite is found in quartz-molybdenite veins and fracture fillings within Nithi quartz monzonite. The veins strike $N 65^{\circ} \mathrm{E}$ and $\mathrm{N} 70^{\circ} \mathrm{E}$. Secondary ferromolybdenite is also present. This area is surrounded by Casey granite on three sides. To the west and south, the Nithi quartz monzonite is found in intrusive contact with the Casey granite and to the north, a fault separates the two rock units. Argillic alteration is moderate to intense. There is minor potassic alteration adjacent to some fractures.


## property location map

Figure 2d. Property location map of Nithi Mountain, British Columbia, Molybdenite occurrences are given by claim locations, as described in the text.

## Tan Showing

The Tan Showing is found within the MJM2 claim. Coarsely disseminated molybdenite and quartz-molybdenite veins are found within an area of orthoclase-rich Casey granite. There is weak argililic alteration and minor potassic alteration. Central Showing

The Central Showing is located at the boundary of the MJMI and MJM2 claims. Quartz-molybdenite veins and fracture fillings are hosted by Casey granite which is surrounded by Nithi quartz monzonite. Argiliic alteration is weak to strong and very strong along faults. Drilling into a vein at this showing was stopped at 27 m depth because a fault zone was encountered. The drilling intersected a quartz-molybdenite vein striking $\mathrm{N} 65^{\circ} \mathrm{E}$.

## South Showing

The South Showing is found within the east-central section of the MJM1 claim. Molybdenite is found as disseminations within highly altered Nithi quartz monzonite. There is strong argillic alteration and narrow
seams of potassic aiteration adjacent to joint surfaces. Intrusive contacts with Casey granite occur on three sides. Terri Showing

The Terri Showing, which was discovered by the writer, is located within the east-central section of the Strep claim. Quartz-molybdenite veins trending $N 65^{\circ} \mathrm{E}$ and fracture fillings and disseminations are found in frostheaved boulders and outcrop of Casey granite. Intrusive contacts with Nithi quartz monzonite are found nearby to the north, northeast, and south. Mild argillic alteration is present.

## Chris Showing

The Chris Showing is located within the south-central part of the MJM3 claim. Quartz-molybdenite veins and fracture fillings strike $N 60^{\circ} E$ and $N 70^{\circ} E$ within Nithi quartz monzonite. One vein is 20 cm wide. Argillic alteration is moderate to intense. There is minor phyllic and potassic alteration adjacent to fracture surfaces. Two drill holes were completed in this area. One intersected only low grade quantities of molybdenite. The other intersected a combined thickness of 170 m of

## molybdenite mineralization. Southwest Showing

The Southwest Showing is found within the south central section of the MOLLY 9 claim. Nithi quartz monzonite hosts many narrow quartz-molybdenite veins that strike $\mathrm{N} 65^{\circ} \mathrm{E}$, scattered over a 400 m X 600 m area. Argillic alteration is moderate to strong. There is also minor potassic alteration.

## West Showing

The West Showing is located on the main access road within the MOILY 8 claim. A 15 cm wide, quartzmolybdenite vein, striking N670E is found within Nithi quartz monzonite. Secondary ferromolybdenite is present. A-Line Showing

The A-Line Showing is located in the south part of the MJM4 claim. A l m wide quartz-molybdenite vein striking $\mathrm{N} 45^{\circ} \mathrm{E}$ and dipping $27 \mathrm{O}^{\mathrm{N}}$ is exposed for 9 m along the strike. It is hosted by Nithi quartz monzonite and the vein appears to diverge into smaller veins towards the east. The Nithi quartz monzonite has been subject to intense argillic alteration, Drilling completed in
this area intersected low grade quartz-molybdenite veins.

Molly Showing
The Molly Showing is found within the MOLLY 1 and MOLLY 2 claims. Nithi quartz monzonite hosts a quartzmolybdenite vein that is 30 cm thick and 80 m long, exposed in 3 trenches. Ferromolybdenite and secondary uranium minerals are present. Rhyolite porphyry dikes nearby also host secondary uranium minerals. Intense argillic alteration is present and minor K-feldspar alteration is also present. Northwest Showing

The Northwest Showing is found within the Molly 17 claim. Molybdenite and pyrite occur as fine disseminations in quartz filled fractures and gossaned shears within the Simon Bay diorite. The intrusive contact with Nithi quartz monzonite is to the west.

## THEORY OF ELECTROCHEMICAI DISPERSION

The use of conductivity as an exploration method is based on a model of electrochemical dispersion by Govett (1973) and Bolviken and Logn (1975). This model is based upon the existence of self-potential anomalies associated with ore deposits (Bolviken and Gleeson, 1977). Vertical redox potential gradients in the upper lithosphere cause orebodies to conduct electrons and the area around the orebody acts as a galvanic cell (Fig. 2e). The current flow is carried by electrons in the orebody and ions in the groundwater (Bolviken and Gleeson, 1977). Overburden tends to have better electrical conductivity than bedrock. Therefore, the current flows more vertically in bedrock and more horizontally in the overburden. For the overburden, the current density tends to be highest above the subcrop of the hanging wall of the orebody. Bolviken and Gleeson (1977) state that ions will move along the current paths and, if during their migration they meet retaining agents such as fine-grained overburden, Fe-Min hydroxides, or humus, they may be absorbed or complexed and interchanged for more mobile
ions which in turn are released to the electrolyte.


Fig. 2e. Schematic model of an ore body as electrode in a primary redox potential field. Eh1, Eh2, and Eh3: selected equipotential surfaces. Heavy lines indicate path of primary and secondary currents, arrows indicate direction of positive electricity (cations) in the electrolyte. Arrow inside ore body: direction oí electron flow in the ore. $A=$ anode; $B=$ electrical symmetry point at country rock/ore interface; $C=$ cathode; $D=$ limit of zone where secondary currents counteract primary currents; $F=$ extension of the ore. (Bolviken and Logn, 1975).

Govett (1972) states that the presence of pyrite
is important in increasing the dissolution of sulphides more electronegative in character than itself. Molybdenite is more electronegative than pyrite. The resultant conductivity dispersion pattern is govemed by the rate of dissolution at the orebody-host rock interface, the solubility of the dissolved species, and the mechanism
of movement. Govett (1973) suggests that the ongoing electrochemical processes that occur around ore deposits may control the amount and kinds of ions released from a sulphide and play a major role in the dispersion of elements into the surrounding rocks and soils. Sulphides that are less massive in character and deeply buried deposits produce profile patterns that are small in amplitude and of long wavelength. Major lithological changes may produce the same effect, but generally on a smaller scale (Fig. 2f).


Fig. 2f. Case studies done by Govett (1975) of massive sulphide deposits and the relation oI conductivity in soils over these deposits to the mineralized areas. -

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Molybdenum, manganese, iron, and zinc determinations were carried out by a custom lab for Taiga Consultants Ltd., on minus 100 -mesh B horizon soils. The same samples were subsequently used for measurements of conductivity. The method is that of Govett (1974). The procedure used is as follows: 1 gram of sample was weighed out into a 150 mI beaker, to this was added 100 ml of triple distilled water and then the contents of the beaker was stirred for 1 minute, using a magnetic bar stirrer. Conductivity was measured immediately using a Barnstead Model PM-70 CB conductivity bridge and a dip-type conductivity cell having a cell constant of l.O. The conductivity of the water was measured for each group of samples and substracted from the resultant readings. The results of the molybdenum, manganese, iron, and zinc determinations and conductivity measurements are compiled in Appendix A. The thresholds and statistical parameters for the entire population is given in Table 2.1. Comparing the anomalous values of elements in soils

Table 2.1

Statistical parameters of the entire population, Nithi Mountain Area.

| Variable | Number of <br> Samples | Mean | Standard <br> Deviation | Minimum <br> Value | Maximum <br> Value | Threshold* |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mo(ppm) | 1869 | 13.81 | 23.62 | 1.0 | 400.0 | 61.05 |  |
| $\operatorname{mn}(\mathrm{ppm})$ | 1869 | 400.83 | 371.77 | 28.0 | 3860.0 | 1144.37 |  |
| $\operatorname{Fe}(\%)$ | 1869 | 2.4 | 0.74 | 0.2 | 6.0 | 3.88 |  |
| Zn(ppm) | 1869 | 1488 | 6.07 | 89.53 | 2.0 | 1260.0 | 280.32 |

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*Threshold = Mean 4 2 (Standard Deviation)
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within the study area to the abundances, as shown in Table 2.2, it is obvious that molybdenum, manganese, and zinc have a higher concentration than the average abundances. However, iron and manganese are within the normal range of abundance for soils. Exceptionally high values, show in Figures 5, 6, and 7 for manganese, iron, and zinc, occur in low, swampy, organic rich terrain, particularly at the southwest corner of the study area.

Figure 3 shows the distribution of anomalous conductivity in soils, for the study area. The threshold is 12.63 umhos $^{-1}$. Conductivity anomalies coincide with molybdenum anomalies (Fig. 4) in the southeast portion of the study area. The conductivity anomalies are much smaller than the molybdenum anomalies. High conductivity in soils appears to coincide with anomalous regions of manganese, iron, and zinc in the southeast portion of the study area, as showm in Figures 3, 5, 6, and 7. However, this is not found to be true on a smaller scale over known mineral occurrences.

The correlation between the 5 variables is given

Table 2.2

Geochemical abundances and characteristics of Mo, Mn, Fe and Zn . From Hawkes and Webb (1962).

| ELEMENT | IGNEOUS ROCKS |  |  | SOILS |  | MOBILITY |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Av. | Av. Umaf. | Av. Fel. | Av. | Range |  |
| Mo (ppm) | 1.7 | 0.4 | 1.9 | 2 | 0.2-5.0 | moderate to extremely high limited by: 1) rate of soIution of primary $\mathrm{MoS}_{2}, 2$ ) sorbtion on limonite to form ferrimolybdenite at $\mathrm{pH} 2.5-7.0 .3 \mathrm{ppt}$. in $\mathrm{CO}_{3}$ rich environments. |
| Mn (ppm) | 1000 | $\begin{gathered} 1300 \\ \text { Mafic: } 2200 \end{gathered}$ | 600 | 850 | 200-3000 | low, unless in an acid environment, then mobile as $\mathrm{Mn}^{2+}$. |
| Fe (\%) | 4.65 | $\begin{gathered} 9.85 \\ \text { Mafic: } 8.56 \end{gathered}$ | 2.7 |  | 1.4-4 | $\left.\begin{array}{l} \mathrm{Fe}^{2+} \text { moderate } \\ \mathrm{Fe}^{3+} \text { low } \end{array}\right\} \begin{aligned} & \text { limited by } \\ & \text { ppt. of } \\ & \text { limonite } \end{aligned}$ |
| Zn (ppm) | 80 | $\begin{gathered} 50 \\ \text { Mafic: } 130 \end{gathered}$ | 60 | 50 | 10-300 | moderately high, limited by organic activity and coprecipitation with limonite. |

in Table 3 as a correlation matrix. At the $99.9 \%$ level of confidence, all the correlation coefficients are significant even though they appear as small numbers. This is because the sample size is large ( $n=1,867$ ). The highest correlation ( $r=.473$ ) between manganese and zinc is followed by conductivity and manganese ( $r=.325$ ), then molybdenum and manganese ( $r=.284$ ). Thus, when considering the value of one element versus another as an exploration tool for the entire study area, no single element takes precedence over any others. Furthermore, the weak correlation between conductivity and molybdenum is also due to the large sample size which produces a dilution effect. This is the result of mixing of two populations, one representing the barren earth material population and the other being caused by mineralization. Diagrams and statistics showing the relationships between the elements and conductivity for the entire study area are in Appendix B. The correlation coefficients for the same $X-Y$ plots using log transformations are generally higher than for untransformed data. For example, molybdenum versus



FIGURE 3
CONDUCTIVITY MAP
NITH! MOUNTAIN, BRITISH COLUMBIA


Note: Conductivity anomalies in the east-central area, coincide with known molybdenite occurrences at the surface. Anomalies in the northwest area coincide with known pyrite occurrences at tne surface.


DISTRIBUTION OF MOLYBDENUM IN SOILS
NITH: MOUNTAIN, BRITISH COIUMBIA


Note: Anomalies cross the Chris, Southwest, Terri, Central and Tan showings. Profiles $A-A \cdot$ and $B-B$. are plotted in Figure 8 with conductivity.

figure 5
DISTRIBUTION OF MANGANESE IN SOILS
nithi mountain, british columbia



Note: Anomalous iron values are concentrated south and downslope from the Simon Bay diorite and known pyrite occurrences.



400-300
$>500$
Note: Highest zinc correlations are found in low-lying areas.
conductivity, $r=.138 ;$ while for $\log$ molybdenum and log conductivity, $r=.146$. This is because the concentrations of elements is log normally distributed, as typical of trace element data in geochemistry, while conductivity is normally distributed. However, the differences are minor.

In order to study the behaviour of the elements as a function of conductivity, two profiles of small areas were examined. The location of two profiles is shown in Figure 4. Profile A-A' crosses the Terri showing and is 50 to 70 m downslope from the central showing. Profile $B-B^{\prime}$ crosses an area barren of mineralization at the surface. However, the soils contain 50 to 100 ppm molybdenum, which compared to average abundances (Table 2.2) are still anomalous.

Table 4 shows the correlation relations between the elements and conductivity for the profile A-A' which is $1,100 \mathrm{~m}$ in length. The correlation between manganese, iron, and zinc with molybdenum are not statistically significant. The correlation of molybdenum and conductivity is very significant. Iron and

Table 4

Correlation matrix for the profile A-A'. This profile crosses outcrops of molybdenite and areas of 75 ppm Mo in soils.

| Variable | MO (ppm) | $\operatorname{Mn}(\mathrm{ppm})$ | $\mathrm{Fe}(\%)$ | $\mathrm{Zn}(\mathrm{ppm})$ | Conductivity (umhos -1$)$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\operatorname{Mo}(\mathrm{ppm})$ | 1 |  |  |  |  |
| $\operatorname{Mn}(\mathrm{ppm})$ | .072 | 1 |  |  |  |
| $\mathrm{Fe}(\%)$ | -.274 | .784 | 1 | 1 | 1 |

manganese, zinc and manganese, and iron and zinc correlate well. Conductivity does not correlate to iron, manganese, or zinc. By taking the logs of the elements and plotting them against one another, there is an increase between the correlation of manganese, iron, and zinc with molybdenum but this correlation is negative, thus when molybdenum increases, the others decrease.

The correlation between conductivity and molybdenum as log values decreases slightly, but it is still statistically significant. Data for this profile is compiled in Appendix $C$. The pattern of conductivity over this profile is shown in Figure 8. The conductivity peaks over the mineralized areas and increases towards the east northeast along the profile. The molybdenum content in the soil peaks just to the left of the mineralized area, to the west southwest, which is generally downslope. Mineralization occurs in mild argillically altered Casey granite. Argillic alteration tends to be moderate to intense around quartzmolybdenite veins that outcrop at other showings on



Figure 8. Profiles across mineralized and unmineralized zones on Nithi Mountain, British Columbia. The locations of these profiles are given in Figure 4.

Nithi Mountain. The conductivity peak that increases upslope from the mineralization at surface may be detecting stronger alteration around mineralized veins within the granite. Further to the east northeast, both conductivity and molybdenum peak simultaneously along the profile. This strong correlation suggests that mineralization subcrops in this area.

Table 5 is the correlation matrix for molybdenum manganese, iron, zinc, and conductivity for the profile B-E' which crosses an unmineralized area, $1,750 \mathrm{~m}$ in length. This area is located on the south-central slope of Nithi Mountain and it contains soils that have $50-100 \mathrm{ppm}$ Wa. As can be seen from the matrix, none of the elements correlate with molybdenum; they are negative and statistically insignificant. Furthermore, conductivity does not correlate with molybdenum in this profile. Iron has a statistically significant correlation with manganese and zinc. hanganese correlates strongly with zinc. Data for Profile B-E' is compiled in Appendix D.

Profile $B-B^{\prime}$ is shown in Figure 8 and Figure 4.

Table 5
Correlation matrix for the profile B-B', which does not cross over any known mineral occurrences.

| Variable | Mo(ppm) | Mn (ppm) | $\mathrm{Fe}(\%)$ | $\mathrm{Zn}(\mathrm{ppm})$ | Conductivity (umhos-1) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mo(ppm) | 1 |  |  |  |  |
| $\mathrm{Mn}(\mathrm{ppm})$ | -. 150 | 1 |  |  |  |
| $\mathrm{Fe}(\%)$ | -. 122 | . 430 | 1 |  |  |
| 2 n (ppm) | -. 028 | .671 | .475 | 1 |  |
| Conductivity (unhos ${ }^{-1}$ ) | . 131 | .. 166 | -. 255 | -. 207 | 1 |

While there is no direct correlation of conductivity with molybdenum, peaks of conductivity occur to the south of anomalous molybdenum concentrations. This is likely due to downslope dispersion.

## SUNMARY AND CONCLUSION

denum and conductivity. This is because the sample size is too large and too heterogeneous, and is a mixture of a large background population and a small population related to molybdenum mineralization. To overcome this effect of dilution, two random sections were drawn.

Section A-A' was picked to evaluate molybdenum and conductivity relations over 3 known occurrences of molybdenum mineralization. This is show in Fig. 8. It is apparent from this that there is a direct, positive correlation between molybdenum and conductivity. The $r$ value for this correlation is .687 . Also, molybdenum versus manganese, iron, and zinc gives $r$ values of .072, -.274, -. 302, respectively (Table 4).

The section $B-B$ ' was drawn over the Nithi quartz monzonite in an area which does not contain any known molybdenite mineralization (Figure 8). It should be noted, however, that the soil here runs 50 to 100 ppm molybdenum and is anomalous. The correlation between molybdenum and conductivity is 0.131 and between molybdenum and manganese, iron and zinc is $-.150,-.122$, and -. 028 respectively (Table 5).

It is therefore clear that molybdenite mineralization in this area produces significant conductivity anomalies. The high conductivity values are a measure of the alteration associated with the quartz-molybdenite veins. Moreover, there appears to be little merit in measuring iron, manganese, and zinc for the purposes of locating molybdenite mineralization in this setting.

Also, conductivity is more selective in identifying anomalous areas. For example, manganese (Fig. 5), iron (Fig. 6), and zinc (Fig. 7) show large anomalous areas. On the other hand, the conductivity (Fig. 3) shows, perhaps, $5 \%$ of the area as anomalous.

It is therefore concluded that conductivity is a better indicator for molybdenite mineralization than iron, manganese, and zinc and is better for pinpointing smaller target areas for further prospecting and exploration in this area.

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Sample number, Mo(ppm), $\mathrm{Mn}(\mathrm{ppm}), \mathrm{Fe}(\%), \mathrm{Zn}(\mathrm{ppm})$ and conductivity (umhos ${ }^{-1}$ ) for the entire study area.

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## APPENDIX B

X-Y diagrams and correlation coefficients for the entire study area.





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## APPENDIX C

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\section*{APPENDIX E}

Histograms for all 5 variables based on data for the entire study area.





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APPENDIX F
STATEMENT OF EXPLORATION EXPENDITIRES

## Statement of Exploration Expenditures

Geologist (T. Millinoff)2 days @ \$275/diem \$ 550.00Secretarial ..... 56.00
Drafting Services ..... 78.30
Reproduction ..... 28.60
Air Frefight (for sample shipment) ..... 68.70
Telephone ..... 28.40

## STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS

I, the undersigned, of the City of Calgary in the Province of Alberta, do hereby certify that:

1. I am a consulting geologist with an office at $\# 100,1300-8 t h$ St. S.W., Calgary, Alberta;
2. I graduated from the University of Windsor with alB. Sc, In (Geology in 1981, and that I have been practising my profession continuously since graduation;
3. I have personally collected and processed the sail samples., anita conducted a conductivity survey. This was done under the direction of Dr. A. Trek at the University of Windsor, on Behalf of Rockwell Mining Corporation.




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