GEOLOGICAL AND GEOPHYSICAL REPORT ON THE MAXWELL CREEK GROUP

LOCATED IN THE KAMLOOPS MINING DIVISION AT CO ORDINATES 51° 51' N;119° 41' E

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GEOLOGICAL BRANCH ASSESSMENT REPORT

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#### MAXWELL CREEK PROPERTY

#### INTRODUCTION

On November 23, 1981, Noranda Exploration Company, Limited, optioned from Andy Horne, a group of mineral claims which have become known as the Maxwell Creek Group. The property was staked by Mr. Horne, a prospector from Chase, B.C., to cover suspected copper mineralization in an old forest burn at the headwaters of Maxwell Creek.

Noranda's aim on the property was to trench a coincedent VLF-EM conductor, and a magnetometer anomaly. These anomalies also had a copper soil anomaly and copper bearing float downhill.

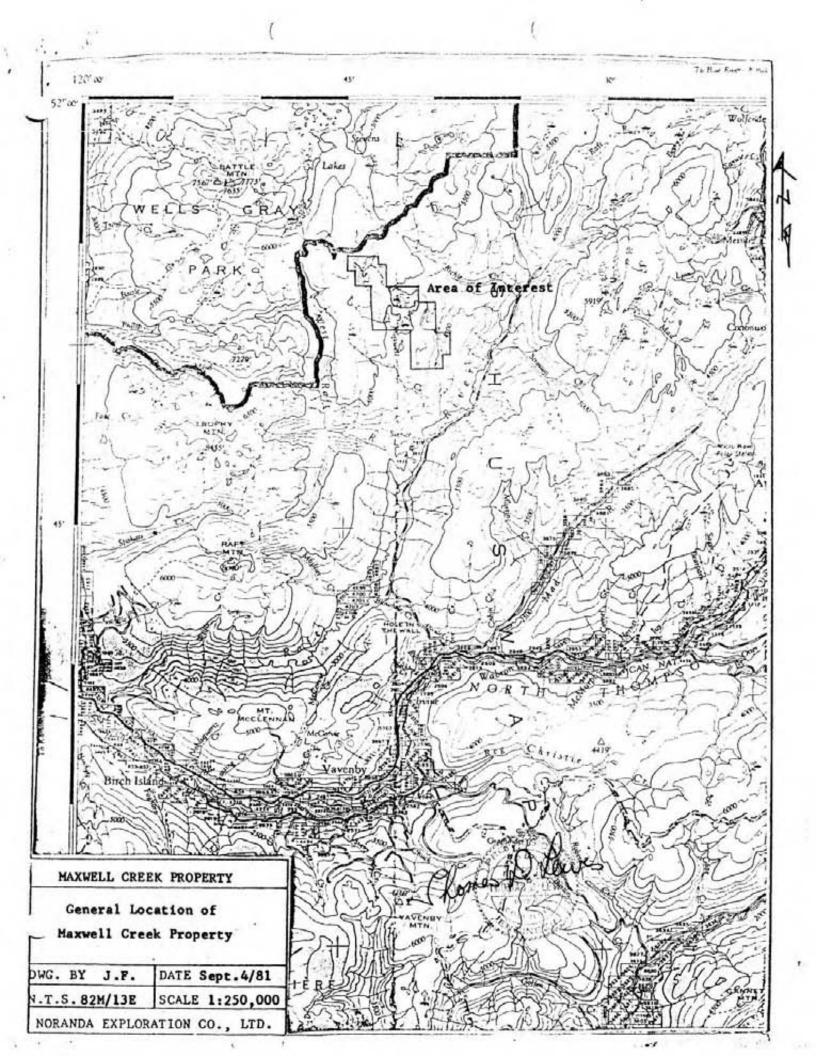
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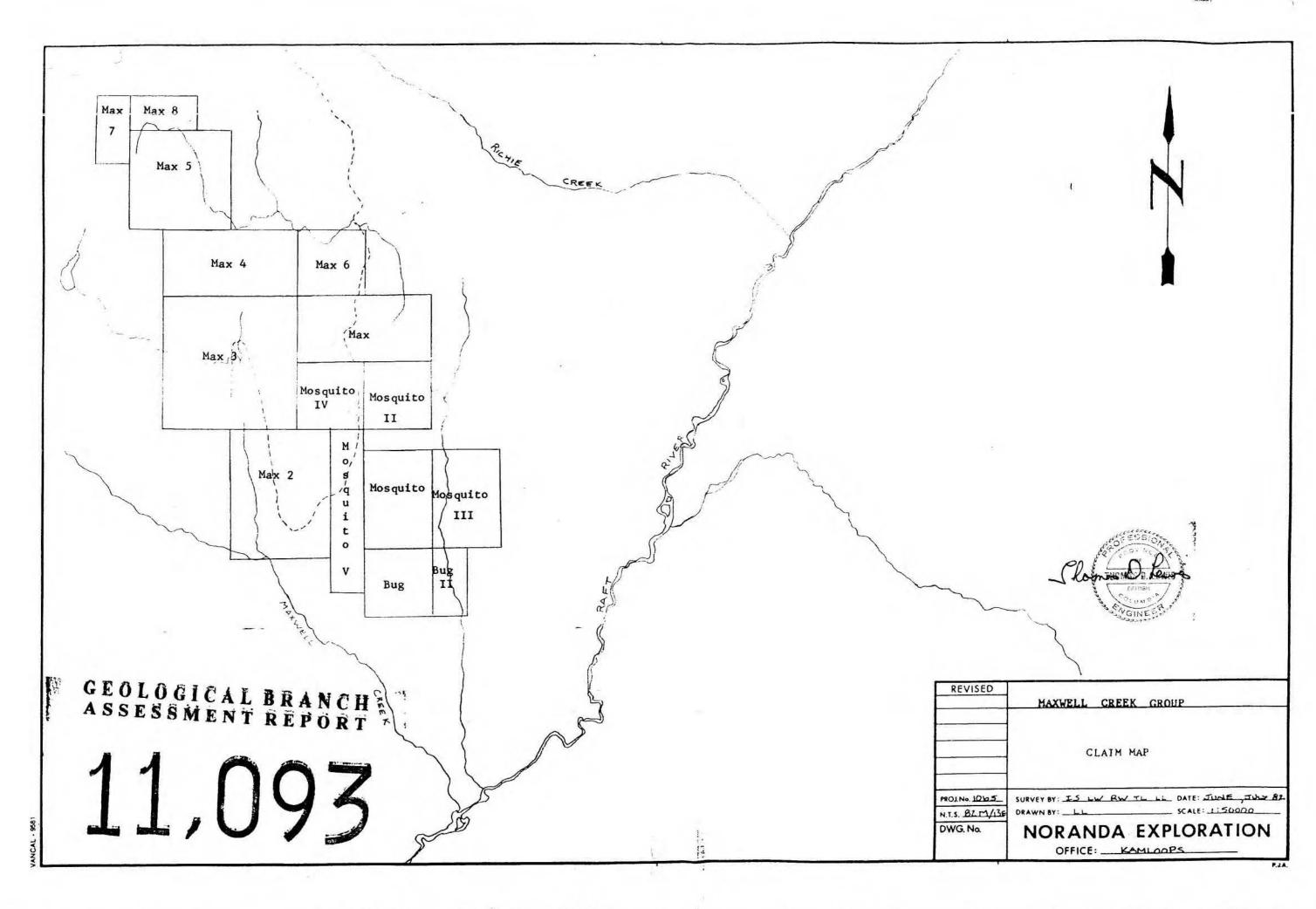
The property is located on the east side of Maxwell Creek, in an old forest fire burn. Maxwell Creek is a southeast flowing tributary of the Raft River. It empties into the Raft a few kilometres northeast of Silence Lake. The Raft River in turn drains southwesterly to join the Thompson River at the village of Clearwater, in southcentral British Columbia.

Access to the property is by good logging road leading up the west side of the Raft River from highway 5, just a few kilometres north of Clearwater. At Silence Lake, the Raft River road branches towards the northeast, and another good road leads up the southwest side of Maxwell Creek. This road passes the Dimac Tungsten Mine, and crosses to the east side of Maxwell Creek about 10 kilometres from the minesite. The road then follows southerly along the east side of Maxwell Creek for a few kilometres, and then swings northeasterly to a large forest fire burn and the Maxwell Creek property.

#### CLAIMS AND OWNERSHIP

The property has been grouped to form the Maxwell Creek Group comprised of 92 units. The claims are all within the Kamloops Mining District. The following claims make up the Maxwell Creek Group:





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Claims and Ownership Cont!

CLAIM NAME	RECORD NUMBER	RECORD DATE	UNITS
Max 2	3629 (7)	July 3/81	12
Max 3	1777 (3)	March 30/79	16
Max 4	1778 (3)	March 30/79	. 8
Max 5	1779 (3)	March 30/79	9
Max 6	1780 (3)	March 30/79	4
Max	1593 (11)	Nov. 23/78	8
Mosquito II	139 (10)	Oct. 22/75	4
Mosquito III	1717 (2)	Feb. 16/79	6
Mosquito IV	1731 (3)	March 9/79	4
Mosquito V	1732 (3)	March 9/79	5
Mosquito	68 (7)	July 15/75	6
Bug	69 (7)	July 21/75	4
Bug II	1718 (2)	Feb. 16/79	2
Max 7	1955 (7)	July 24/79	2
Max 8	1956 (7)	July 24/79	2

#### CONTROL GRID

A 9.3 kilometre flagged grid was established on the Maxwell Creek Property using chain and compass methods. East-west lines were established at 50 metre intervals with control stations at 25 metre intervals.

#### REGIONAL GEOLOGY

The area is underlain by northly trending rocks of the Shuswap Metamorphic Complex of uncertain age. Rocks seen in the area consist of: quartz-biotite gneiss, quartz-mica schist, amphibolite, quartzite, marble, skarn, pegmatites, and granodiorite.

#### PROPERTY GEOLOGY

The Maxwell Creek property is underlain by five main rock types. They consist of: quartz-muscovite schist, quartz-biotite schist, biotite-epidotequartz schist, amphibolite, and a granodiorite with associated pegmatites and feldspar porphyry dykes.

#### Property Geology Cont'

The metasedimentary group of rocks generally strike northwesterly with near vertical dips. The presence of the granodiorite and suspected faults, has disturbed the metasediments near the intrusion thus producing local trends nearly perpendicular to the regional strike.

Sulphide mineralization consisting of mainly pyrrhotite, with pyrite and chalcopyrite was found in several locations. The sulphides are confined to a quartz-biotite schist, and occurs as blebs parallel to the foliation, and disseminated along fracture surfaces.

Trenching and prospecting yielded copper grades of 0.1% to 0.4% Cu across 5 metres. Present information suggests the sulphides are a result of contact metasomatism, and are low grade. However, deep overburden hindered trenching leaving many conductors untested, and true widths of mineralized rock undetermined.

#### GEOPHYSICAL SURVEYS

#### INTRODUCTION:

Two geophysical surveys were performed, namely: magnetometer, and VLF-EM.

#### MAGNETOMETER SURVEY:

The magnetometer survey was carried out by L. Warner and T. Lewis, during early July, 1982. The magnetometer used was a Scintrex Model MF-2, which was manufactured by Scintrex of Concord, Ontario. This instrument records the relative vertical component of the magnetic field in gammas.

#### FIELD PROCEDURE:

Readings were initially recorded along the baseline at 50 meter intervals in order to establish a series of base stations. Then recordings were made at 25 meter intervals along the crosslines for a total of 13.1 line kilometers. Differences in readings recorded at the base stations from the original were plotted against time in order to remove any diural variation.

#### PRESENTATION OF RESULTS:

The relative field strength readings recorded during the magnetometer survey were reduced and plotted on a grid map at a scale of 1:2500. Values were adjusted to make them greater than zero, and contoured at 300 gamma intervals.

#### DISCUSSION OF RESULTS:

The magnetometer survey revealed several anomalies. Host of the anomalies trend north to northwest, and coorelate well to the geology.

On Line 293N, trenching indicated the magnetometer highs were caused by disseminated pyrrhotite parallel to the foliation in a quartz-biotite schist. Chalcopyrite up to 0.4% Cu was found associated with the pyrrhotite.

Another anomaly exists west of the baseline, stretching from Lines 496N to 498 + 50N. This anomaly was trenched and is partly exposed, and was found to contain mineralization similar to that found on Line 293N.

Finally, one other anomaly between Lines 497N and 498N was found. This anomaly remains untested.

#### VLF-EM SURVEY

#### INTRODUCTION:

The receiver used for the survey was manufactured by Sabre Electronic Instruments Limited, of Burnaby, B.C. The transmitter is located in Seattle, Washington, and transmits at a frequency of 18.6 kHz. The VLF is a Model 27.

During the course of the survey, the tilt angle null (in degrees) and field strength were recorded at 25 meter intervals. A total of 15.4 line kilometers were surveyed.

#### FIELD PROCEDURES:

With the V.L.F. receiver held horizontally, the instrument is rotated in the plane until a null is observed. In this position, the coil axis points in the direction of the transmitter. This defines a vertical plane, perpendicular to the transmitter.

The receiver is then held in this vertical plane (operator facing the transmitter) and rotated until a minimum signal is observed. The dip angle of the null is read on the receiver inclinometer and recorded. The following sign convention is used:

1) Top of the coil axis to the right of operator - sign positive

2) Top of the coil axis to the left of operator - sign negative

#### PRESENTATION OF RESULTS:

The VLF-EM dip angle results are plotted on a grid plan map at a scale of 1:2500. The resultant dip angles are shown as continuous profiles with a vertical scale of  $lcm = 20^{\circ}$ . In addition the data have been filtered using the Fraser Method, and the filtered data plotted.

#### DISCUSSION OF RESULTS:

The filtered data, in turn has been contoured at 5 degree intervals. The anomalies generally trend north to northwest, and appear geologically controlled.

However, the VLF-EM trends have not been explained. Known low grade chalcopyrite and pyrrhotite did not respond. The anomalies that exist do not coincede with the magnetometer highs.

Therefore a series of north to northwest trending conductors remain to be tested. These exist between lines 498N to beyond line 504N.

These anomalies appear to border on the east side of the diorite pluton. They occur as discontinuous pods, rather than a continuous band as one would expect in a stratigraphic conductor like graphitic schist; for example.

#### SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION:

- Trenching in the area established the existence of low grade chalcopyritepyrrhotite mineralization hosted within a quartz-biotite schist. It is probable this is remobilized or contact metasomatic mineralization as a result of the emplacement of the diorite intrusion.
- Further trenching in the area can be ruled out due to the depth of overburden (+7.0 meters).
- Although the low grade chalcopyrite-pyrrhotite fully explains the magnetometer anomalies, the VLF-EM conductor remains unexplained. On further observation, is the VLF-EM conductor appears to coincede with magnetic lows.

# APPENDIX I

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STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS

#### STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS

I, Thomas D. Lewis of the City of Kamloops, Province of British Columbia, do certify that:

- I have been employed as a geologist by Noranda Exploration Company, Limited since April, 1979.
- I am a graduate of Queen's University with a Bachelor of Applied Science in Geology (1975).
- I am a member of the Association of Professional Engineers of the Province of British Columbia.
- I am a member of the Canadian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy.

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# APPENDIX II

STATEMENT OF COST

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a)	Wages: No. of Days	23	
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	Total Cost	23 × \$ 29.68	682.64
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f) Analysis
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- g) Cost of preparation of Report Author 234.14 Drafting 234.14 Typing 117.07
- h) Other:

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Total Cost

e) Unit costs for Geology No of days 23 No of units Unit costs 34.44 / Day Total Cost 23 × 34.44 792.09

Unit Costs for Geophysics No. of Units 9.3 Km Unit Cost 458.89 Total Cost 9.3 X 458.89 <u>4,267.69</u>

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APPENDIX III HORIZONTAL LOOP EM SURVEY

#### FOLLOW-UP ELECTROMAGNETIC SURVEY

#### INTRODUCTION:

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In December, 1982, Noranda performed a Horizontal Loop EM survey to test a VLF-EM conductor detected earlier in the year. The operators were: Lyndon Bradish, Kevin Lillie and Ivor Saunders, all employees of Noranda Exploration Company, Limited.

#### EQUIPMENT AND METHODS:

The instrument used was a Max-Min EM manufactured by Apex Parametrics Limited.

The instrument consists of a transmitting coil and a receiving coil connected by a reference cable either 25, 50, 100, 150, 200 or 250 meters in length.

The transmitting coil produces a primary electromagnetic field (e.m.f.) at either 222, 444, 888, 1777 or 3555 Hz which is capable of inducing a current within a conductive body. This current in turn produces its own e.m.f. which is termed the "secondary". The receiving coil measures the total intensity of the primary e.m.f. plus any resultant secondary e.m.f. It also breaks the component by means of the reference cable.

Two coils are used as an in-line system traversing across the presumed geological strike. If the two coils straddle a conductor, the primary and resultant secondary field oppose each other causing a decrease in total field strength or a negative reading. In shallow overburden, a positive shoulder will occur when both coils are just off to one side of the conductor.

An indication of the conductivity of the body can be obtained by measuring the ratio of the in-phase to the out-of-phase. As the conductivity of the body decreases the stronger the out-of-phase component will be.

The range of penetration of the primary field is normally considered to be approximately one-half the coil separation; however, other factors such as conductive overburden and topography must also be taken into consideration.

#### PRESENTATION OF RESULTS:

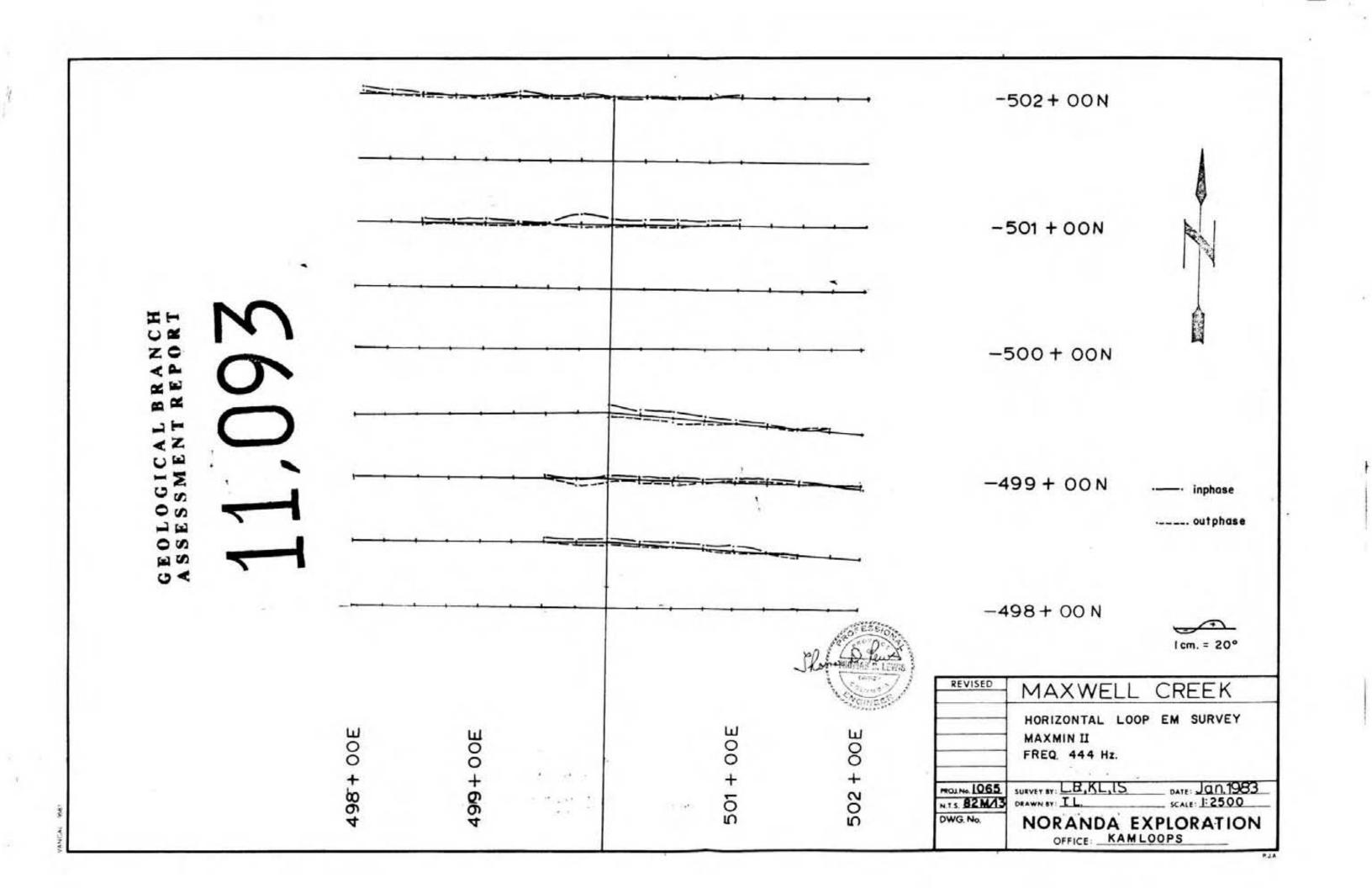
The profiles of the Horizontal Loop EM survey were plotted on two '1:5,000 scale drawings (see dwgs. 1&2, in appendix III). These results suggest the absence of a massive sulphide type conductor in the area tested.

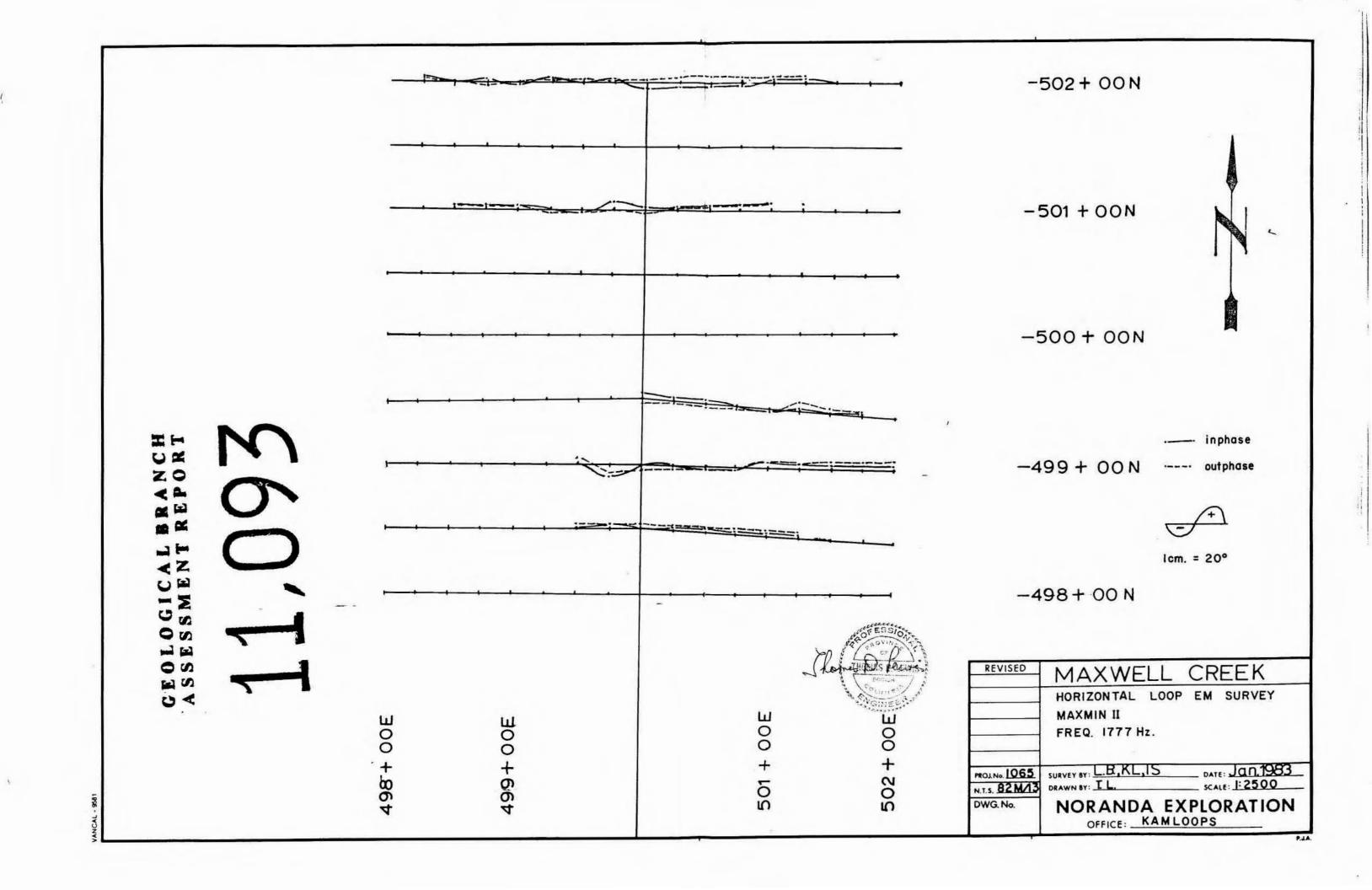
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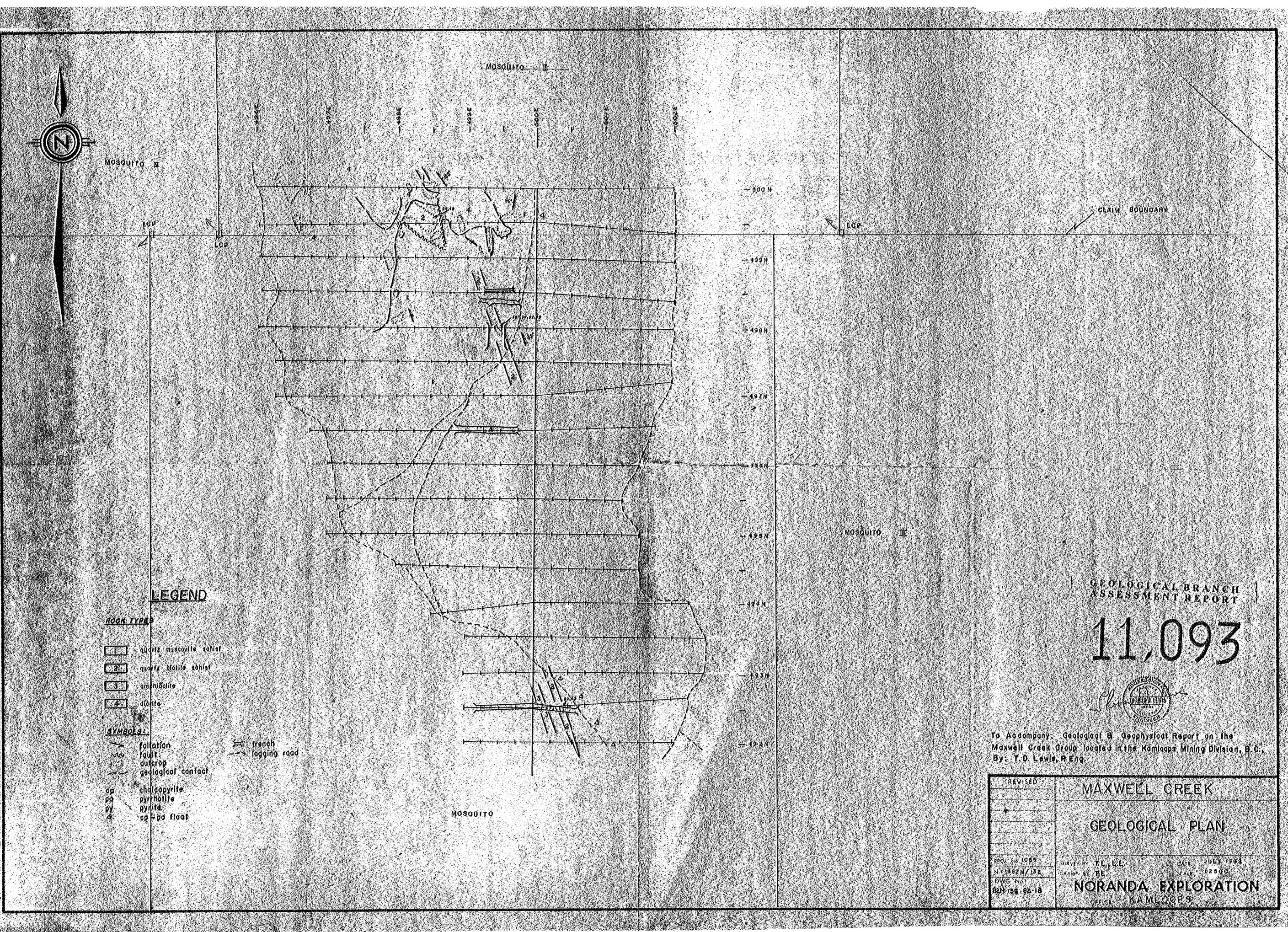
- The possibility of massive sulphide mineralization in the area tested appears minimal.
- The option should be dropped, and the property returned to Mr. Andy Horne.

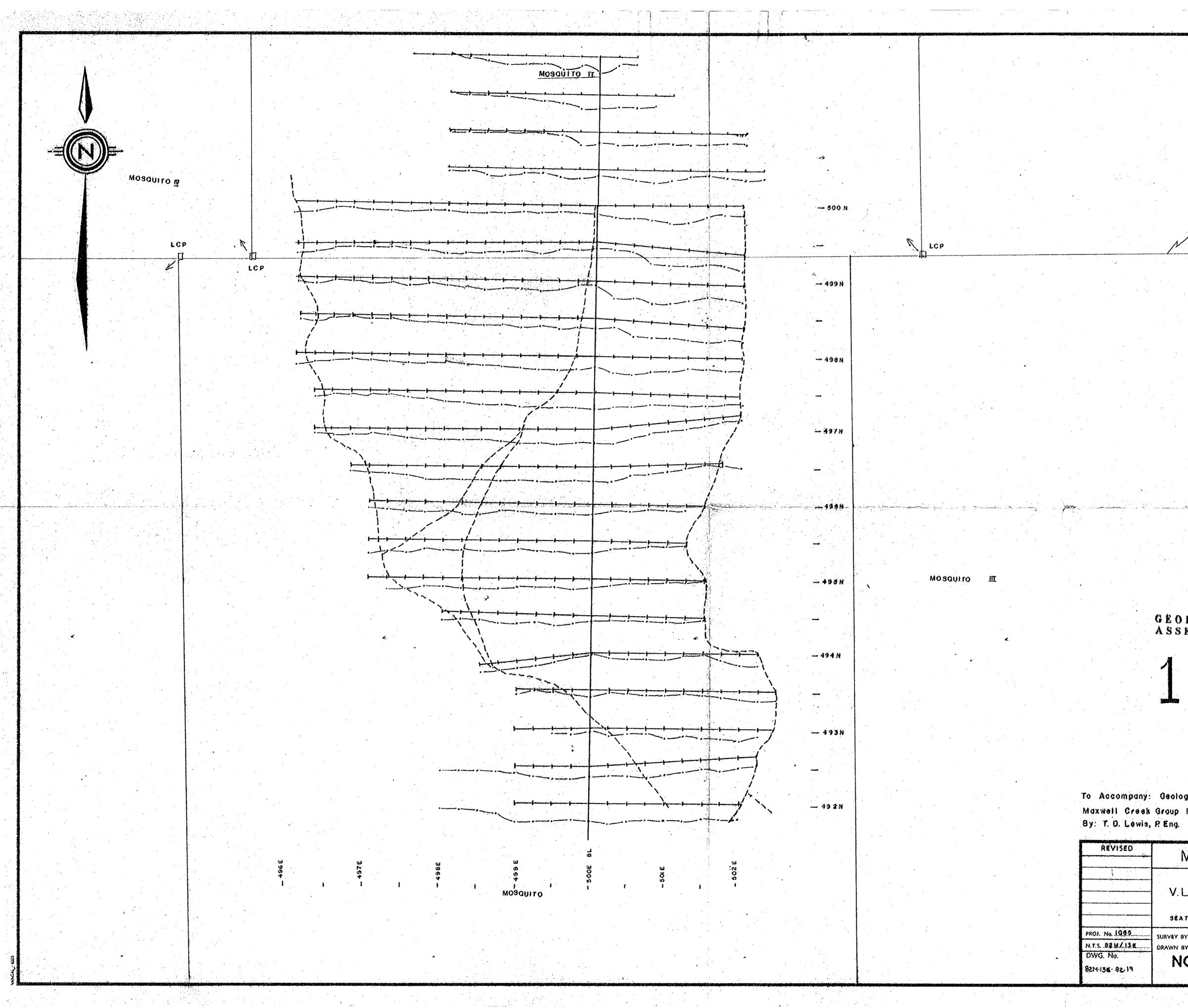
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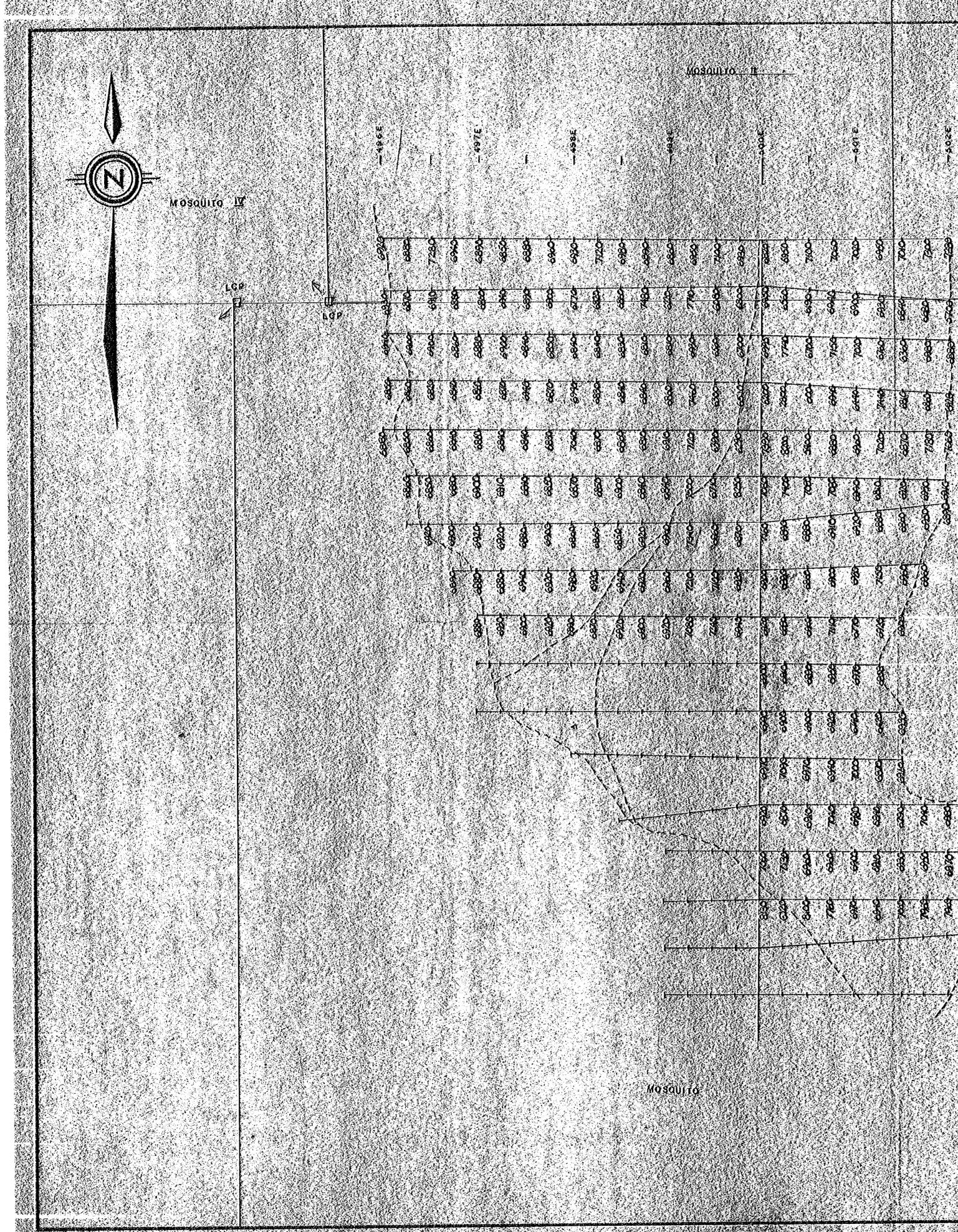








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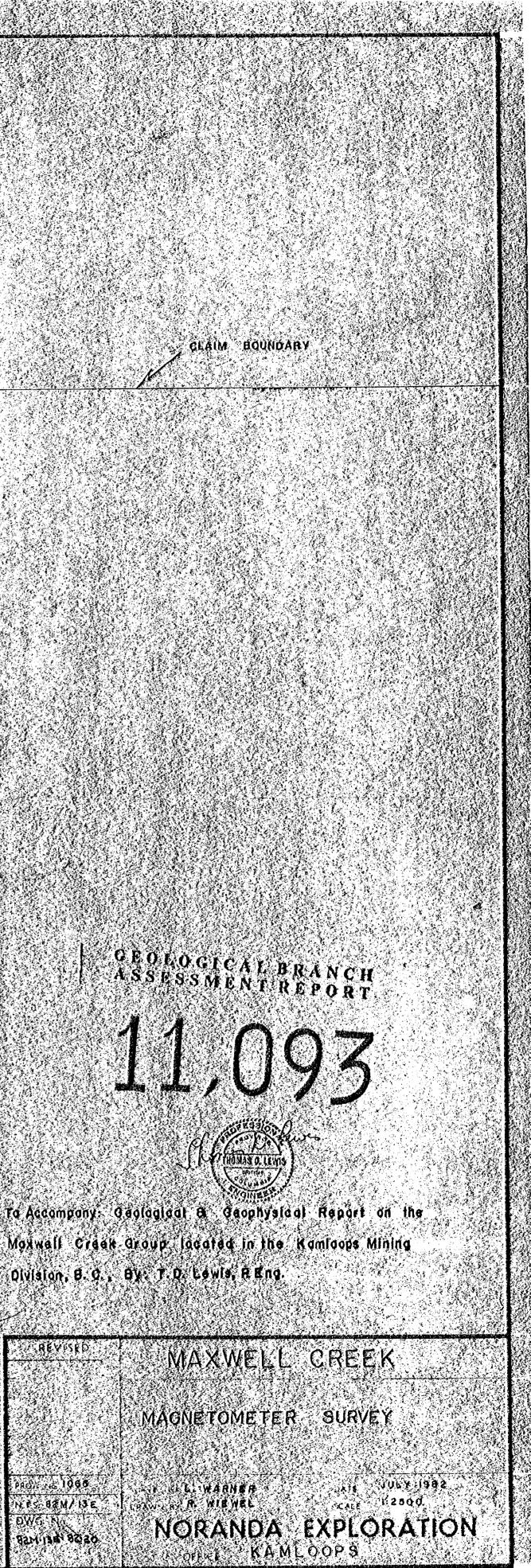
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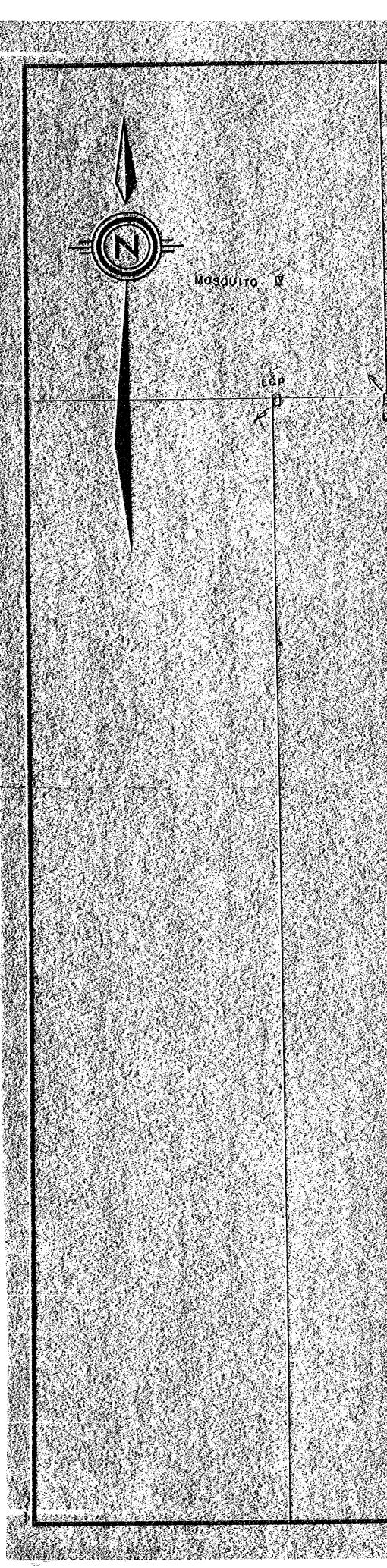
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