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**GEOCHEMICAL REPORT** 

**ON THE** 

CAYUSE CLAIM

KAMLOOPS MINING DIVISION

N.T.S. 921/15 W

50° 67 N 120° 56 W 54.8' 55.9'

for

Owner Operator. PACKARD RESOURCES LTD. 620 1032-355 Burrard Street Vancouver, B.C. 066 752 OGICAL BRANCHA ASSESSMENT REPORT

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#### INTRODUCTION

The Cayuse claim is found within the southern part of the Ouesnel trough, a belt well known for its prolific copper, molybdenum, lead, zinc, silver and gold mineral occurrences and deposits. The claim covers ground that has attracted interest since the turn of the century because of the presence of mercury mineralization associated with carbonate veins. Since the late seventies, considerable interest has been focused on this area because of the possibility of the finding of epithermal precious metal mineralization. The anomalous soil mercury, arsenic and antimony goechemistry found on and around this claim presents interesting exploration targets that could lead to epithermal deposits such as have been extensively described and mined in Nevada.

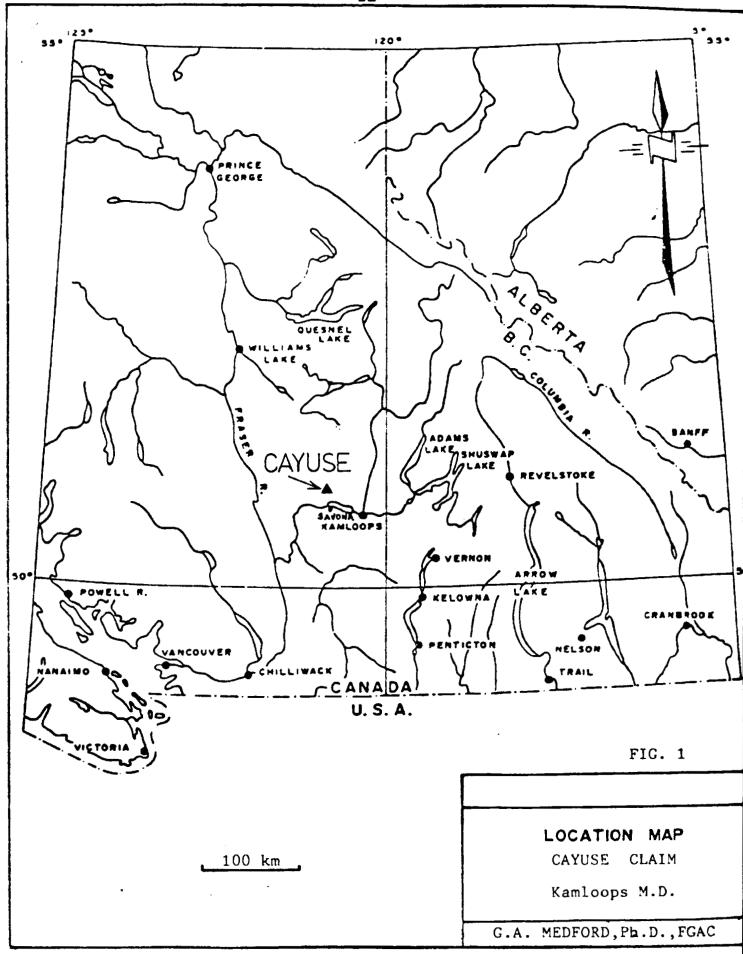
This work was carried out in an attempt to replicate very high soil silver values reported in an earlier survey (A.R. 4305) in which auger sampling was used. The portion sampled in detail covers an area of high silver values reported in A.R. 4305.

### LOCATION and ACCESS (Fig. 1)

The legal corner post of the Cayuse claim is located at 50° 55.1' N and 120° 55.3' W. It is found north of the Criss Creek road approximately nine kilometers east of the junction with the Deadman Creek road. Both of these roads are in good condition and the latter joins with the Trans Canada Highway six kilometers west of Savona, B.C., where food and lodging is available.

#### PHYSIOGRAPHY and TOPOGRAPHY

The highest elevation of the property is about 3200 feet (975 m) and the lowest is in the Criss Creek valley at about 2100 feet (640 m). The topography is gently sloping to steep in the creek valley and covered by sparse forest with little brush. The property is located in the dry belt of the province but water is available from Criss Creek year around.



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### WORK PROGRAM

Fieldwork was carried out by G.A. Medford from 15 August to 19 August 1986. A flagged grid was established using compass and hip-chain. One hundred eleven soil samples were collected at a depth in excess of 30 cm (C-horizon) using a soil auger and the samples were put in kraft paper bags. They were sent to Min-En Laboratories Ltd., North Vancouver, for analysis (Appendix 2). Prospecting was carried out over the soil lines.

Access to the property was gained from Savona where lodging was obtained.

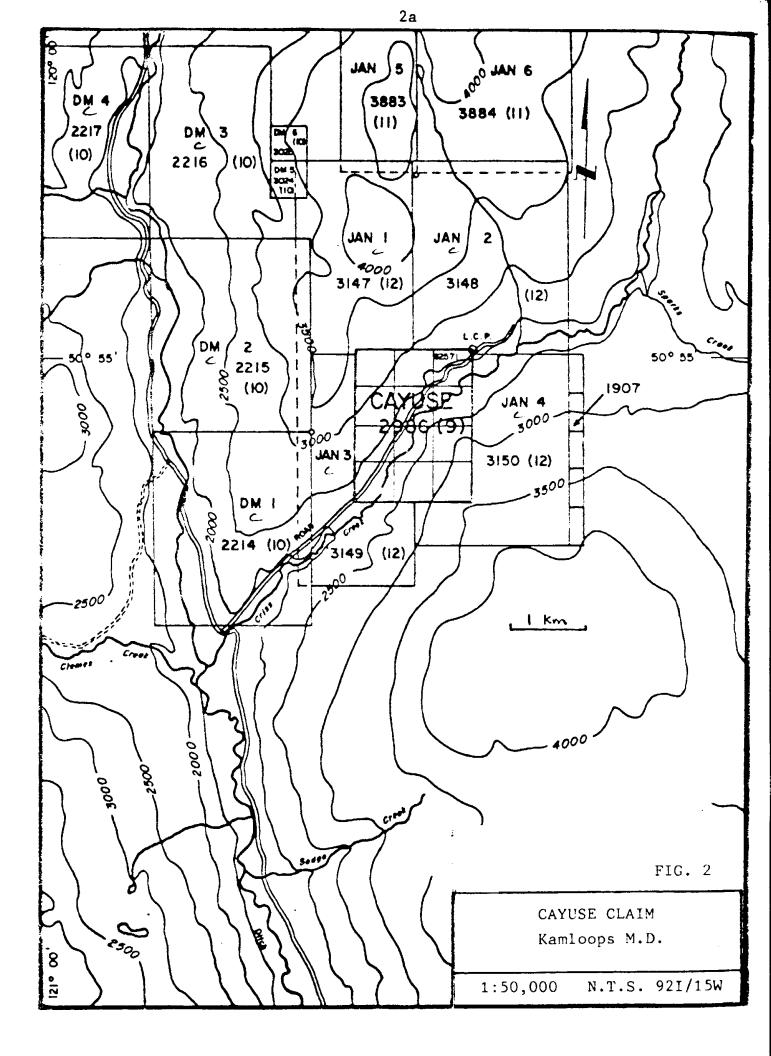
#### **CLAIM RECORDS**

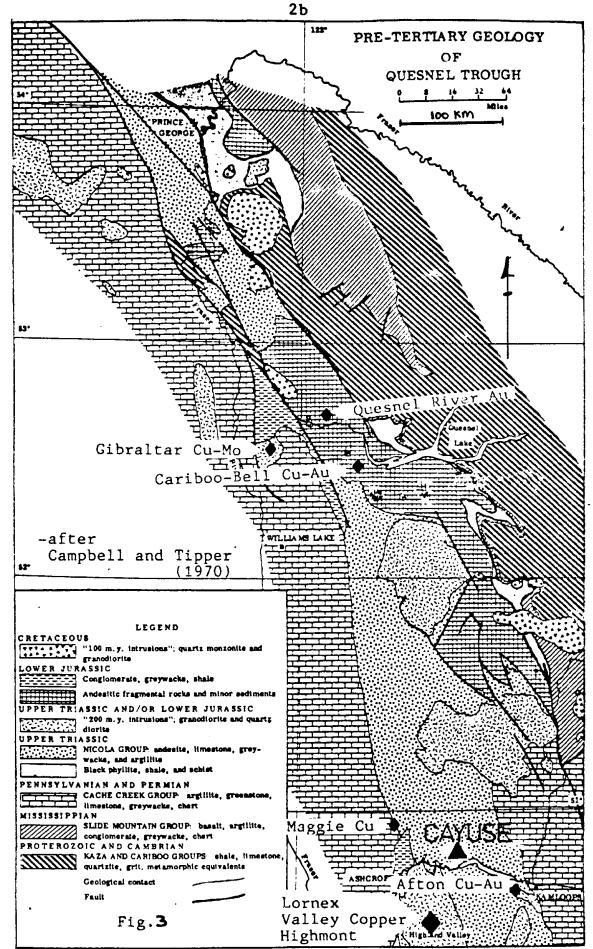
The Cayuse claim, consisting of 12 units (Figure 2) and located within the Kamloops Mining Division, is found on Department of Mines claim map 921 15N. The claim is wholly owned by Packard Resources Ltd. Government records show the following:

Claim	Record No.	Units	Record Date	Expiry Date
Cayuse	2986	12	Sept. 24/80	Sept. 24/86

#### **REGIONAL GEOLOGY**

The property lies within the area referred to as the Quesnel Trough (Campbell and Tipper, 1970), a narrow northwest trending belt consisting of Upper Triassic and Lower Jurassic volcaniclastic and sedimentary rocks. Broad areas are covered by Eocene volcanics and sediments and by Miocene-Pliocene plateau lavas. The trough hosts many copper-molybdenum deposits mainly associated with granitic intrusions as well as numerous significant copper, gold and copper-gold deposits. The latter are associated with alkalic intrusive or volcanic activity. Locations of several of these deposits are indicated in Figure 3.





- Schematic map of the pre-Tertiary geology of the Quesnel Trough and surroundings. The Trough is defined by the occurrence of Upper Triassic and Lower Jurassic volcanic and sedimentary rocks and is bounded by l'aleozoic or older rocks on either side.

#### LOCAL and CLAIM GEOLOGY

The claim is underlain by upper Triassic Nicola group volcanics, grey-green to purple in colour, and often stained rusty brown. To the northwest Kamloops group volcanic and sediments overlie the Nicola but these do not encroach upon the boundary of the Cayuse claim. Regional mapping (GSC O.F. 980) projects a fault northwestsoutheast through the property with sediments of the Ashcroft formation (argillite, siltstone, sandstone, conglomerate) in fault contact to the east.

#### LOCAL EXPLORATION

Historical interest in mercury and related mineralization is referenced in Dickinson (1973) to which the reader is directed. Work on the adjacent D.M. claims by Guichon Explorco Ltd. (Gamble, 1981) has included detailed grid work immediately to the northwest of the Cayuse claim. The baselines for two grids established on the D.M. claims strike directly towards the Cayuse claim from the northwest and presumably cover a structural feature that may continue through the Cayuse claim. Anomalous Au zones and coincident Hg and As anomalies are found proximal to Tertiary intrusions but silver is consistently at or below detection limits (0.1 ppm). Some anomalous Mo values were also detected.

Work on the surrounding Jan claims by Placer Development Ltd. has also resulted in some anomalous Au, Sb, As, Cu and Zn zones, but Mo has been found to be present in only low concentrations and silver not detectable. An Hg-As anomaly directly north of the Cayuse claim may be the extension of a similar anomaly found on the Cayuse claim. Dickinson (1973) postulated this elongate Hg-As anomaly to define a fault zone running north-south through the Cayuse claim.

In 1972, Andex Mines carried out mapping and widespaced geochemical work on the Split 1-40 claims which are now contained, in part, by the Cayuse claim (Amendologine, 1972). Substantial Ag anomalies (many greater than 5 ppm) were outlined based on auger sampling to a depth of 18 inches (45 cm), as well as a few weak Cu and Zn anomalies. Subsequent B horizon sampling reported by Dickinson (1983) did not reproduce the earlier results but frequently indicated the presence of Ag above the detection limit (i.e., 0.2 to 0.6 ppm). In addition, Hg and As proved highly anomalous but Au was below 10 ppb in all soils.

#### **GEOCHEMCIAL SURVEY**

#### Methodology

Soil samples were collected from the C horizon at a depth of about 30 - 45 cm. They were sent to Min-En Laboratories, North Vancouver, for analysis by atomic absorption of Ag (nitric, perchloric digestion). The results are reproduced in Appendix 1. It was found impossible to auger much deeper than 12 inches (30 cm) in most cases because of the presence of angular rock fragments. Sampling to this depth was very tedious and sampling to 18" (45 cm) was possible in only a couple of instances.

#### Results (Map 1)

Most values fall below 1 ppm whereas a good representation of values above 4 ppm Ag should have been encountered in this area according to A.R. 4305. Although it is stated that the early sampling was done at a depth of 18 inches (45 cm) it is felt that this is unlikely due to the difficulty in augering.

#### GEOLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS

#### Methodology

A large number of old pits, adits, etc., were observed during work on the property. This information is plotted on Map 2. Mineralization in the pits generally included silica - carbonate - stibnite - cinnabar - hematite infillings of steep fractures generally trending about  $300^{\circ}$  to  $320^{\circ}$ .

## CONCLUSIONS

It is concluded that the very high silver results reported in A.R. 4305 are erroneous and that no significant silver anomaly is present on the property. Nevertheless, background silver values are somewhat elevated and in conjunction with other geochemical signatures of the property, are of some interest vis a vis epithermal precious metal deposits.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

Further investigation of the silica - carbonate - stibnite, etc., - filled fractures is warranted in connection with the possible position of such an assemblage relative to an epithermal gold-silver deposit that might be present laterally or at depth.

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## CERTIFICATE

I, Gary A. Medford, with business address at 3582 West 14th Avenue, Vancouver, British Columbia, do hereby certify that:

- I am a consulting geologist and have been engaged in my profession for over 15 years.
- 2) I am a graduate of McGill University with B.Sc. Honours (1968) and M.Sc. (1970) degrees in geology, and have graduated from The University of British Columbia with a Ph.D. (1976) in geology.
- 3) I am a Fellow of the Geological Association of Canada.
- I certify the work indicated in this report to have been carried out August 15 to 19, 1986.

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# APPENDIX 1

# COST STATEMENT

Geologist, G.A. Medford, Ph	n.D. 5 days	\$ 2,000.00
Mobilization/demob.	Van. to Savona, B.C.	860.00
Truck	5 days at \$60	300.00
Lodging/meals	5 days at \$60	300.00
Field expendable materials		50.00
Geochemistry	111 soils at \$2.85	316.35
Report		 1,000.00

TOTAL

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\$ 4,826.35

## APPENDIX 2 MIN-EN LABORATORIES LTD.

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Company: GARY MEDFORD Project: Attention: GARY MEDFORD

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File:6-982/P1 Date: OCT. 15.1986 Type:SOIL

We hereby certify the following results for samples submitted.

Sample	AG	
Number	PPM	
BL 25N	Q.4	
BL 50N	0.4	
BL. 75N	0.6	
BL 100N	0.5	
BL 125N	0.6	
BI. 150N	0.5	
BL 175N	0.7	
BL 200N	Q.4	
BL 225N	0.5	
BL 250N	0.7	
BL 275N	0 <b>.</b> 6	
BL 300N	0.8	
BL 325N	0.8	
BL 350N	0.7	
BL 375N	0.8	
BL 400N	0.8	
L000 50E	0.3	
L000 75E	0.7	
L000 100E	0.5	
L000 150E	0.9	
L000 175E	0.6	
L000 200E	0.7	
L000 225E	0. <b>7</b>	
L000 250E	0.7	
L000 275E	0.6	
LOOO BL	0.8	
L000 25W	0.6	
L000 50W	0.5	
L000 75W	0.7	
L000 100W	0.4	

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Sample		AG	
Number	•	F'PM	
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£000 1		0.5	
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1000 2		0.5	
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1,000 2		0.8	
L200N		0.7	
L200N	50E	0.5	
L200N		0.4	
L200N		0,4	
L200N			
L200N		0.8	
L200N	175E	0.6	
L200N	200E	0. <i>E</i>	
L200N	225E	0.8	
L200N		0.9	
L200N	275E	0.7	
L200N	300E	0.5	
L200N		0.8	
L200N		0.8	
L200N	375E	0.7	
L200N	400E	0.7	
L200N	425E	0.6	
L200N	450E	0.8	
L200N	25W	0.6	
L200N	50W	0.8	
L200N	75W	1.0	
L200N	100₩	0.7	
L200N	125W	0.6	

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Sample Number		AG PPM	
L200N	150W	0.6	
1.200N	175W	0.7	
1.200N	200M	1.0	
L200N	225W	0.7	
L200N	250W	O. 8	
L200N	275W	0.8	
L200N	300₩	0.6	
L200N	325W	1. n 1.	
L200N	350W	ំ. ខ	
L200N	375W	Q.7	
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L400N	25E	0.6	
L400N	50E	0.6	
L400N	75E	0.7	
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L400N	175E	O., 5	
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L400N	275E	0.6	
L400N	SOOE	0.7	
L400N	325E	0.4	
L400N	350E	0.9	
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	400E	0.7	
L400N	400E 425E	0.7	
L400N	425E 25W	0.5	
L400N			
	50W	0.9	
L.400N	75W	0.7	
L400N	250E	1.1	

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L400N	125W 150W	0.5 0.5	
L400N L400N	175W	0.9	
L400N	2000	0.7	
L400N	225W	0.5	
L400N	250W	0.6	
L400N	275W	1.5	
L400N	325W	0.7	
L400N	350W	0.7	
L400N	375W	0.7	
LOOON	300W	1.2	
LOOON	325W	0.6	
LOOON	350W	0.8	
LOOON	375W	0.7	
LOOON	400W	0.5	
LOOON	425W	0.8	
LOOON	450W	0.6	
LOOON	475W	0.7	· · · · ·
LOOON	500W	0.7	

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