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CLAIMS CENTER AT 620000E, 5479000N UTM ZONE 11U  
WORK CENTER AT 617126E, 5483105N UTM ZONE 11U  
NTS 82G/6

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## INTRODUCTION:

The drilling program on the ASPEN PROJECT was in two parts. Initially two drill holes were started in May 1998 and work completed to June 1998 was applied in September 1998 to the AB Group #1. The Group comprised of five claims of 20 units each as shown in Table 1. From July to September 1998 the drilling continued and work in this phase is dealt with in this report, and applied to ABJ Group #1.

Two collar sites designated A9-1-98 and A9WW-98 are at approximately UTM co-ordinates of 617100E, 5483100N, on the south bank of the Bull River across from the Bul River Mine. The holes were located on the south side of the projection of the Boundary Fault that separates the Rocky Mountain Trench tectono-stratigraphic terrain from the Rocky Mountain terrain to the north. Rock outcrops in the southern block are mainly mapped as Devonian carbonates, while the block to the north is underlain by argillaceous sediment of the Proterozoic age Aldridge Formation.

A significant magnetic anomaly was identified in an area immediately north of the Bull River centred on the Bul River Mine area, and this anomaly extends south over the river in to the Devonian. Dykes and sills of dioritic composition in the Bul River area, tentatively identified as part of the Moyie Sills and Dykes sequence of Proterozoic age, are believed to be partly the cause of the magnetic anomaly. However, the size of the anomaly exceeds the known area extent of the Moyie intrusive in the area, and the general outline of the anomaly suggests a deeper and larger source, perhaps of batholithic proportions.

A9-1-98 was drilled to determine the depth to the Boundary Fault, and whether the footwall is the same Aldridge sequence found north of the river, and whether dioritic sills and dykes exist in significant amounts to explain the magnetic anomaly extension from north of the river. Hole A9WW-98 was drilled entirely using percussion drilling and cased to provide water for drilling the A9-1-98 diamond drill hole which is recommended to extend to greater depth. Core from the diamond drilling was examined and logged, and the core is stored at the Stanfield camp site just north of Galloway, British Columbia.

Costs for the percussion drill hole A9WW-98 are not applied to the work included in this report. They were used in the previous report dealing with the older claim group "AB Group #1".

**Table 1: AB Group #1:**

Claim Name	Tenure No.	No. Of Units	Current Expiry Date	\$ value to be applied	Years applied	New Expiry Date
Balsam #9	209751	20	99/07/05	28,000	7	06/07/05
Balsam #10	209752	20	99/07/05	28,000	7	06/07/05
Balsam #11	209755	20	99/07/28	32,000	8	07/07/28
Balsam #12	209756	20	99/07/28	32,000	8	07/07/28
Aspen #9	321708	20	03/10/20	0	0	03/10/20

The following Table 2 shows the regrouped claim block ABJ Group #1, and the distribution of assessment work applied from the drilling on claim Aspen 9 of this new group.

**Table 2: ABJ Group #1:**

Claim Name	Tenure No.	No. Of Units	Current Expiry Date	\$ value to be applied	Years applied	New Expiry Date
Joy #9	361195	20	Jan 15, 1999	26,000	8	Jan 15, 2007
Balsam # 5	209747	20	July 5, 1999	32,000	8	July 5, 2007
Balsam # 7	209749	20	July 5, 1999	32,000	8	July 5, 2007
Balsam # 8	209750	20	July 5, 1999	32,000	8	July 5, 2007
Aspen #9	321708	20	Oct 20, 2003	0	0	Oct 20, 2003

### LOCATION, ACCESSIBILITY & TOPOGRAPHY:

The Aspen claims are located in south-eastern British Columbia, approximately 30 kilometres by Highway 3 from Cranbrook, and then by Highway 93 just past the settlement of Bull River. Secondary gravel roads provide access to the Aspen Claim 9 of the ABJ Group #1. The remaining Joy and Balsam Claims in the Group are also accessible by the same road system that crosses the Bull River canyon on a log bridge just south of the B.C. Hydro Dam. This road system continues through claims Joy 9, Balsam 8 and 5 to the Galloway mill site, where it intersects Highway 3 again. The northern portion of the Group is on fairly open parkland. Thicker vegetation consists usually of brush, and is located in the Bull River valley and subsidiary drainage and dry creek beds, while the remainder is mixed vegetation of larger mature growth and secondary alders with open meadows.

Topographic relief ranges from 800 meters to 1500 meters, extending from the banks of the Bull River in the Rocky Mountain Trench to the ridge tops running NW from Tie Lake to Bull River, and the east wall of the Rocky Mountain Trench – including “Buffalo Head” on Balsam 7. The claims are in the Fort Steele Mining Division in N.T.S. 82G/6, centred approximately at 620000E, 5479000N (Datum NAD 83, Projection UTM Zone 11).

**Figure 1** is a Site Location with respect to south-eastern corner of British Columbia. **Figure 2** is a satellite imagery (using 321 plus 4 bands) on which are superimposed the outline of the claims of this Group. Also, labelled are the location of Cranbrook, the closest urban centre and some of the major physiographic and other cultural features.

**Figure 3** is a zoom-in to a larger scale showing the ABJ Group #1 claims on a background of drainage patterns, roads and major cultural features (all from digitised TRIM data). In addition the location of drill hole A9-1-98 program on Aspen # 9 is shown. ERMAPPER software was used to put together and print Figure 3. Costs of work on drill hole A9-1-98 from 803.03 meters to 1298.18 meters has been used for assessment work in this report.

## GEOLOGY

The deciphering and understanding of the structure and structural evolution of the Rocky Mountain Trench and the western edge of the Rocky Mountains of southeastern British Columbia are necessary to determine the economic potential of the ABJ Group #1 property. In addition, the mode of occurrence of the different types of mineral deposits in the area, including the ones on the property, provide clues to the location and identification of other exploration targets.

In **Figure 4**, the geology shown is an overlay of T. Hoy's compilation map accompanying Bulletin 84. The most important feature on the claim Group is the Boundary Fault that separates the Rocky Mountain Trench tectono-stratigraphic terrain from the Rocky Mountain terrain to the north, although this fault in this local area does not exactly coincide with the distinct Steeples Range escarpment. Rock outcrops in the southern block are mainly mapped as Devonian carbonates, while the block to the north is underlain by argillaceous sediment of the Proterozoic age Aldridge Formation.

In addition, the location of the drilling program is based on the discovery of a significant magnetic anomaly in an area immediately north of the Bull River centred on the Bul River Mine area (see **Figure 3**). This discovery was part of a DIGHEM helicopter borne survey completed in previous years and this anomaly extends south over the river in to the Devonian.

Dykes and sills of dioritic composition in the Bul River area, tentatively identified as part of the Moyie Sill and Dyke sequence of Proterozoic age, are believed to be partly the cause of the magnetic anomaly. However, the size of the anomaly exceeds the known area extent of the Moyie intrusive in the area, and the general outline of the anomaly suggests a deeper and larger source, perhaps of batholithic proportions.

Figure 3 also shows a portion of a magnetic anomaly just west of this claim group that is correlated to a Diorite to Monzonite composition stock or batholith, probably of Cretaceous age. It is therefore possible, that a portion of the large magnetic anomaly tested by this drilling can be a result of a similar intrusive at depth.

Part of the claim group is underlain by the Proterozoic age Aldridge and Creston Formations which are hosts to several vein type mineral deposits of Cu, Pb and Zn associated with shear zones. Although the drill hole A9-1-98 was collared in the Palaeozoic sequence on the hanging-wall side of the Boundary Fault, it intersected this Proterozoic sequence on the foot wall of the Boundary Fault.

## LITHOLOGY AND STRATIGRAPHY

The following Table (from McMechan, 1978) summarizes the lithology and stratigraphy of the area, including this property. In addition, Cretaceous-Tertiary intrusives near the margins of the Trench are worth noting. The Trench itself is filled with Pleistocene and Recent sediments of gravel, sand, silt, till, colluvium and alluvium.



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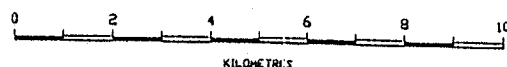
# GEOLOGY OF THE FERNIE W1/2 MAP SHEET (AND PART OF NELSON E1/2)

NTS 82G/W1/2; 82F/E1/2

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(SEE BELOW FOR ADDITIONAL SOURCES OF DATA)

SCALE 1:100 000



## LEGEND

### QUATERNARY

#### PLEISTOCENE AND RECENT

[Qat] Alluvium, colluvium, soil

### MESOZOIC

#### UPPER CRETACEOUS

[Km] Pink, porphyritic monzonite, quartz monzonite and granodiorite

#### JURASSIC AND CRETACEOUS

[Jkk] KOOTENAY FORMATION  
Dark carbonaceous sandstone, siltstone and mudstone; coal; pebble and cobble conglomerate

#### [Jf] FERNIE GROUP

Dark shale, siltstone and sandstone; limestone, glauconitic sandstone and shale

#### TRIASSIC

#### [Tr] SPRAY RIVER GROUP

Brown-weathering dolomite and calcareous siltstone, massive orthoquartzite in upper part; grey, buff shale interbeds; finely laminated buff dolomitic siltstone in lower part

### PALEOZOIC

#### PENNSYLVANIAN AND PERMIAN

[PPrm] ROCKY MOUNTAIN SUPERGROUP  
Succession from top of chert breccia; dolomitic siltstone; sandy dolomite; orthoquartzite and limestone

#### MISSISSIPPIAN

[Mr] RUNDLE GROUP (ETHERINGTON, MOUNT HEAD AND LIVINGSTONE FORMATIONS)  
Mostly dolomite and limestone, cherty toward the top

#### [Meb] BANFF AND EXSHAW FORMATIONS

[Mb] BANFF FORMATION  
Thin-bedded, platy, laminated dolomite and limestone; cherty layers

[Ma] EXSHAW FORMATION  
Carbonaceous platy shale, pyritic

[DMcab] -Includes Castigan member and Exshaw and Banff formations

#### UPPER DEVONIAN

[Dp] PALLISER FORMATION (COSTIGAN AND MORRO MEMBERS)  
Buff, yellow and grey, banded and nodular argillaceous limestone and dolomite with siltstone interbeds

[Df] SASSENACH FORMATION; FAIRHOLME GROUP (MOUNT HAWK, BORSATO, HOLLEBEKE FORMATIONS)  
Limestone, dolomite, platy and argillaceous; siltstone, orthoquartzite and laminated limestone; buff, grey limestone and minor siltstone with possible stromatopora (Df may contain Dp undivided)

#### UPPER (?) MIDDLE AND EARLIER (?) DEVONIAN

[Dmu] FAIRHOLME GROUP EQUIVALENT  
Brown silty shale; grey, black shaly limestone and shale with pyritized fossils

#### [Dob] "BASAL DEVONIAN UNIT"

Dark shaly limestone, nodular, brecciated; laminated gypsum; sandstone, breccia, conglomerate; pebbly grits and orthoquartzite in lower part

#### MIDDLE SILURIAN TO MIDDLE DEVONIAN

[SDs] Shale; limestone; conglomerate; volcanic breccia, lava

#### UPPER ORDOVICIAN TO MIDDLE SILURIAN

[OSb] BEAVERFOOT FORMATION  
Dolomite with nodular chert, black graphic shale, sandstone and conglomerate in lower part

#### ORDOVICIAN

[Ogw] MOUNT WILSON FORMATION  
Quartzite and sandstone

#### GLENOGLE FORMATION

Black graphitic shale, siltstone, limestone

#### UPPER CAMBRIAN AND LOWER ORDOVICIAN

[Om] MCKAY GROUP  
[Om] UPPER MCKAY  
Limestone and shale with intraformational conglomerate

[Eum] LOWER MCKAY  
Shale, shaly limestone, intraformational conglomerate

#### MIDDLE AND/OR UPPER CAMBRIAN

[Emu] JUBILEE FORMATION  
Dense, cherty limestone, laminated dolomite, intraformational breccia, sandstone and conglomerate

#### MIDDLE CAMBRIAN

[Emt] "TANGLEFOOT UNIT"  
Shaly limestone, intraformational breccia, sandy shale, conglomerate

#### MIDDLE AND (?) UPPER CAMBRIAN

[Emf] ELKO, GORDON AND FLATHEAD FORMATIONS  
[Emf] ELKO FORMATION  
Grey dolomite, massive; grey calcareous mudstone, probably correlative with Jubilee Formation (Leach, 1958)

[Emf] FLATHEAD AND GORDON FORMATIONS  
Grey calcareous fissile shale; glauconitic limestone; glauconitic sandstone

#### LOWER AND (?) MIDDLE CAMBRIAN

#### [Eca] EAGER AND CRANBROOK FORMATIONS

[Ea] EAGER FORMATION  
Shale, siltstone, limestone, quartzite; minor argillite

[Ec] CRANBROOK FORMATION  
Quartzite, limestone, magnesite; minor grit and quartz pebble conglomerate

[Ecl] Magnesite

### LATE PROTEROZOIC

WINDERMERE SUPERGROUP  
[Pt] TOBY FORMATION  
Conglomerate, siltstone, argillite

### MIDDLE PROTEROZOIC

PURCELL SUPERGROUP  
[Ps] Sills; gabbro, diorite

[Pmn] MOUNT NELSON FORMATION  
Quartzite, dolomitic and gritty sandstone, dolomite, sandy and argillaceous dolomite, siltstone

[Pdc] DUTCH CREEK FORMATION  
Green siltstone, argillite; stromatolitic dolomite, quartz wacke

[Pdc] UPPER DUTCH CREEK FORMATION  
Green siltstone, argillite; oolitic dolomite, cryptalgal dolomite, dolomitic siltstone; "carbonate marker" shown as dashed lines on Skookumchuck Creek

[Pdc] LOWER DUTCH CREEK  
Coarse quartz wacke; stromatolitic, oolitic dolomite; green siltstone-argillite couplets

[Pks] KITCHENER, NICOL CREEK AND VAN CREEK FORMATIONS

[Pnc] NICOL CREEK FORMATION  
Massive to amygdaloidal basaltic to andesitic lava flows, volcanic and feldspathic sandstone, siltite

[Pnc] Green, locally purple volcanoclastic siltite, fine wacke and luffaceous siltstone

[Pvc] VAN CREEK FORMATION  
Green, mauve-laminated siltstone and quartz wacke; minor luffaceous siltstone at top

[Pk] KITCHENER FORMATION  
Grey, black dolomite, limestone; green argillite, dolomitic siltstone

[Pk] UPPER KITCHENER  
Grey, black dolomite, limestone, molar-tooth texture; siltstone, thin quartz arenite beds

[Pk] LOWER KITCHENER  
Green, beige siltstone, argillite; dolomitic siltstone

[Pc] CRESTON FORMATION  
Green, grey and mauve siltstone, argillite; white, green quartz arenite

[Pc] UPPER CRESTON  
Siltstone, quartz arenite, argillite

[Pc] MIDDLE CRESTON  
White, green and mauve quartz arenite and siltstone

[Pc] LOWER CRESTON  
Grey, black argillite-siltstone couplets, siltstone and siliceous argillite, green siltstone

[Pm] Moyle sills; gabbro, diorite

[Pa] ALDRIDGE FORMATION  
Quartzite, quartz wacke, siltstone, argillite, silty dolomite

[Pa] UPPER ALDRIDGE  
Rusty weathering argillite and siltstone, thinly laminated Pa3l-transilite

[Pa] MIDDLE ALDRIDGE  
Grey quartzite, quartz wacke, siltstone; argillite; rusty weathering; Pa2s-siltstone, argillite; Pa2q-quartzite

[Pa] LOWER ALDRIDGE  
Rusty weathering siltstone and quartzite with interbeds of silty argillite; quartz wacke

[Pt] FORT STEELE FORMATION  
White quartzite, grey argillaceous quartzite, argillite, grey, black dolomitic and calcareous argillite

[Pr] ROOSVILLE FORMATION  
Green siltstone and argillite, black laminated argillite; stromatolitic dolomite and dark brown oolitic dolomite, quartz arenite toward the top

[Pp] PHILLIPS FORMATION  
Maroon micaceous siltstone, quartz wacke and argillite

[Pg] GATEWAY FORMATION (locally includes Sheppard Fm.)  
Dolomite, quartz wacke, siltstone, argillite

[Pg] UPPER GATEWAY  
Green siltstone, argillite, dolomite

[Pg] LOWER GATEWAY  
Quartz wacke, dolomitic sandstone, stromatolitic dolomite, oolitic dolomite, green siltstone

[Psh] SHEPPARD FORMATION  
Dolomitic quartzite, sandstone, oolitic dolomite, stromatolitic dolomite at top; (Sandstone and conglomerate locally at base)

### NORTHERN HUGHES RANGE

[Pa] Middle (and possibly) Lower Aldridge lime equivalent

[Pa] Argillite

[Pa] Quartzite

[Pa] Siltstone, argillite

[Pa] Siltstone, argillite (dolomitic, in part)

[Pa] Silty dolomite

[Pa] Argillite, siltstone

## SYMBOLS

- LIMIT OF MAPPING OR EXPOSURE \_\_\_\_\_
- GEOLOGICAL BOUNDARY (DEFINED, APPROXIMATE, ASSUMED) \_\_\_\_\_
- UNCONFORMITY \_\_\_\_\_
- BEDDING (TOPS KNOWN, TOPS UNKNOWN, VERTICAL, OVERTURNED) \_\_\_\_\_
- CLEAVAGE, SCHISTOSITY \_\_\_\_\_
- MINERAL LINATION \_\_\_\_\_
- FAULT (DEFINED, APPROXIMATE, ASSUMED) \_\_\_\_\_
- THRUST (TEETH IN DIRECTION OF UPPER PLATE) \_\_\_\_\_
- NORMAL (CIRCLE INDICATES DOWNTROW SIDE) \_\_\_\_\_
- FOLD:
  - MINOR FOLD \_\_\_\_\_
  - ANTICLINE (DEFINED, APPROXIMATE, ASSUMED) \_\_\_\_\_
  - SYNCLINE (DEFINED, APPROXIMATE, ASSUMED) \_\_\_\_\_
  - OVERTURNED ANTICLINE \_\_\_\_\_
  - OVERTURNED SYNCLINE \_\_\_\_\_
- SMALL OUTCROP \_\_\_\_\_
- MINERAL OCCURRENCE, (STRATIFORM Zn-Pb) \_\_\_\_\_

## UPPER DEVONIAN TO PERMIAN

Undifferentiated Fairholme Group, Palliser Formation, Exshaw Formation, Banff Formation, Rundle Group, Rocky Mountain Group: Limestone, Shale Limestone, Shale, Quartzite, and Dolomitic Quartzite.

## MIDDLE DEVONIAN AND (?) EARLIER

Upper unit (Burnais and Harrogate Formations): Shaly Limestone, Shaly Dolomite, Limestone Breccia, and Gypsum; Basal Unit: Dolomitic Sandstone, Sandy Dolomite, Breccia, Conglomerate, and Shale

## CAMBRIAN

"Tanglefoot Unit": Shaly Limestone, Limestone, Sandy Shale, and Dolomite  
Eager Formation: Shale, Limestone, Siltstone, and Quartzite; Cranbrook Formation: Quartzite and Granule Conglomerate

## MIDDLE PROTEROZOIC

Moyie Sill: Hornblende Metadiorite to Metagabbro

## PURCELL SUPERGROUP

Phillips Formation: Red Micaceous Quartzite and Siltite  
Gateway Formation: Green, Purple Siltite, Minor Quartzite, and Dolomitic Siltite near top.  
Sheppard Formation: Stromatolitic Dolomite, Green, Purple Siltite, Quartzite, and Silty Dolomite  
"Lava and Sediment" Unit: Massive to Amygdaloidal "Andesitic" Lava, Volcanic and Feldspathic Sandstone, Siltite, and Minor Dolomitic Siltite  
"Non-Dolomitic Siltite" Unit: Green, Locally purple Siltite

## KITCHENER FORMATION

Upper Unit (North of Dibble Creek Fault): Silty Dolomite, Grey Dolomitic Siltite, Grey Siltite, Sandy Dolomite, and Stromatolitic Dolomite  
Lower Unit (North of Dibble Creek Fault): Green or Grey Dolomitic Siltite, Green Siltite, and minor Dolomitic Quartzite

## CRESTON FORMATION

Upper Subunit: Green, Lesser purple Siltite, Dolomitic Siltite near top, white quartzite

Lower Subunit: Purple, Grey or green, very coarse-grained Siltite to fine-grained quartzite, white quartzite, and green, purple Siltite

Upper Subunit: Purple Siltite with white quartzite

Middle Subunit: Green Siltite

Lower Subunit: Grey Siltite (north of Bull Canyon Fault), green, fine-grained quartzite, with Grey Siltite (south of Bull Canyon Fault-Unit)

## ALDRIDGE FORMATION

Grey Siltite and Argillite, with two Dolomitic Siltite Horizons near top, South of Bull Canyon Fault

Quartzite, Grey Siltite and Argillite: Quartzite predominant, Siltite and Argillite predominant

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## **TYPES OF MINERALISATION:**

The following is a brief description of the types of mineralisation known on the property and in the surrounding area with similar to identical geology.

### **Quartz-Carbonate-Sulphide VEIN SYSTEMS in SHEAR ZONE envelopes:**

Vein systems can be massive, tens of feet wide to a few inches width in stockworks and horsetails. Sulphides are chalcopyrite, pyrite, pyrrhotite mainly, with minor galena and arsenopyrite. Quartz is the major gangue mineral followed by carbonates (dolomite and siderite). Gold is associated with the sulphides and/or occurs as free gold in the quartz gangue and within silicified zones in the shear envelopes.

Host rocks are partly silicified and chloritised argillites, argillaceous quartzites, and quartzites mainly of the Aldridge formation. Other host rocks include the argillites of the Creston and Gateway formations. The meta diorite dykes and sills of the Moyie Sill group have some degree of spatial relationship to the vein systems, but their role in the mode of origin of mineralisation is not clear.

The Bull River Mine just north of the property is an excellent example of this type of mineralisation. Other related examples of this type include the Strathcona-Empire, the Rex-Zone, the Dean Zone, the Treasure Zone, the Don and Rimrock Zones.

### **Conformable (Syngenetic?) Massive Sulphide Deposit**

These are characterised by mainly conformable (to bedding) massive sulphides within the Aldridge formation. Sulphides are galena, sphalerite, pyrrhotite, with zones of massive pyrite. Zoning of sulphides is common, so is alteration, such as chloritisation and tourmaline. The host rock lithology is very similar to the Bull River Mine. The Sullivan Mine is a prime example of this type, and is located west-northwest of the property, on the other side of the Trench. Location of a Sullivan Type of ore body east of the Trench, has been a long-term exploration goal in this part of British Columbia.

### **Quartz Lode Type with Sulphides and/or Free Gold:**

The Cretaceous-Tertiary quartz-monzonite, monzonite, granodiorite and diorite intrusive in the area have potential for this type of mineralisation, and may be source areas for some of the placer gold deposits.

### **Vein Type Galena-Sphalerite Mineralisation associated with Major Structures:**

This type of mineralisation has been found to date in the Aldridge, Creston, and the Lower Cambrian formations. Mineralisation occurs as fillings and replacement with faults and associated fissure systems. Examples of this type in the area are the Burt, OK Zones, and



possibly the Great Western Zone. The Estella Mine and the Kootenay King Mine further north of the property are also of this type, and so is the St. Eugene Mine across the Trench to the west.

## **STRUCTURE AND STRUCTURAL EVOLUTION**

The property and the immediate area is divided into a number of tectono-stratigraphic domains. The primary divisions include the ROCKY MOUNTAIN TRENCH on the west of the property and the WESTERN ROCKY MOUNTAINS on the east half of the property.

### **The Western Rocky Mountains:**

The Western Rocky Mountains form the eastern edge of the Purcell anticlinorium, against the Rocky Mountain thrust belt. The geology is fairly complex, with structural evolution mainly tied to the Hosmer Thrust.

The Western Rocky Mountains in this area are further subdivided into three major tectono-stratigraphic terrains by EAST trending REVERSE FAULT SYSTEM (see Figure 5). The northern segment is the STEEPLES RANGE DOMAIN, whose northern boundary is marked by the DIBBLE FAULT SYSTEM and the southern boundary by the BULL CANYON FAULT SYSTEM. The middle segment is the relatively complex SAND CREEK – LIZARD RANGE DOMAIN, that includes the Lizard Range. It is bounded in the north partly by the BULL CANYON FAULT and to the south by the SAND CREEK FAULT. Most of the AB Group #1 is within this segment. Both of the Steeples and the Sand Creek – Lizard Range Domains are part of the LIZARD SEGMENT of the HOSMER THRUST, and is part of the structurally highest portion of the southern Rocky Mountains.

The southern most domain is the BROADWOOD ANTICLINE bounded in the north by the Sand Creek Fault (different than the Upper Sand Creek Fault), and has a southern boundary near Mt. Broadwood.

### **The Sand Creek – Lizard Range Domain:**

This domain is divided into two longitudinal sections by the NW trending UPPER SAND CREEK thrust fault. The western segment is designated by us as the SAND CREEK SECTION, and the eastern segment is the LIZARD RANGE SECTION.

The BULL CANYON FAULT marks the northern boundary of the Sand Creek Section. It is a left-lateral reverse fault with about 2-3 km of stratigraphic separation, and dips southward. The locus of the fault suggests that its origin is tied into the stress associated with the Dibble monocline. Also, the contrasts in the Purcell succession across the fault suggest that it may follow the locus of an older structure that controlled Purcell deposition. Although the Lower Purcell group of rocks are found on both sides of the fault, the NE trending structures in the Steeples Domain, north of the fault do not extend on the hangingwall side of this fault. In

addition, the large anticline north of the fault (in the Steeples Domain) is not one of the NE trending structures caused by compression during movement on the Dibble fault, but is formed during the Bull Canyon Fault displacement, and does not have a counterpart on the hangingwall (south) side of the fault.

In the Sand Creek-Lizard Range domain, the mechanics and structural history of the UPPER SAND CREEK FAULT are critical in understanding the stratigraphy of this domain. This fault is considered to be a splay from the Hosmer Thrust. The Domain is part of the HOSMER NAPPE which has a shallow NW plunge. Strata in the overturned forelimb are west dipping while strata in the backlimb a generally northeast dipping.

The Upper Sand Creek Fault cuts through this nappe, causing the backlimb and bow of the nappe to be thrust over the overturned forelimb. This has thrust the Precambrian Purcell Series of rocks from the backlimb of the nappe against the overturned Devonian and Mississippian strata of the forelimb. The Purcell Series forms a range with generally rounded slopes, and structurally also is part of the crest and east limb of an anticline (superimposed on the backlimb of the nappe) that plunges gently northwest. This range is the SAND CREEK SEGMENT of the domain.

East of the Upper Sand Creek Fault the second division of the domain forms the LIZARD RANGE. It essentially consists of the overturned forelimb of the Hosmer Nappe forming a prism of sediments. The backbone of the range is made up by resistant portions of Devonian and Mississippian formations, while its eastern slopes are underlain by softer Mesozoic strata.

While the north boundary of the Sand Creek segment is mainly marked by the Bull Canyon Fault, the Lizard Range segment's north end is crumpled by complex faults and nappe-like folds that are overturned to the southeast and south, causing the strata to bend sharply from a NW trend to NE near the drainage area of Iron Creek. This trend continues NE off the property to Sulphur Creek where the NW trend and folds overturned east-northeast resumes to form the mountains north of Fernie and between the upper Elk and upper Bul Rivers.

#### **DRILLING PROGRAM:**

The first phase of the drilling program consisted of two drill holes located within a few meters of each other. Two collar sites designated A9-1-98 and A9WW-98 are at approximately UTM co-ordinates of 617100E, 5483100N, on the south bank of the Bull River across from the Bul River Mine. The holes were located on the south side of the projection of the Boundary Fault that separates the Rocky Mountain Trench tectono-stratigraphic terrain from the Rocky Mountain terrain to the north. The costs of the first phase were applied for assessment of the AB Group #1 in 1998.

Hole A9WW-98 was drilled entirely using percussion drilling and cased to provide water for drilling the A9-1-98 diamond drill hole. In the second phase of the drilling program, the diamond drill hole (A9-1-98) was extended to 1298 meters, and this report covers this second

phase. Core from the diamond drilling was examined and logged, and the core is stored at the Stanfield camp- site just north of Galloway, British Columbia.

In Figures 2 and 3 the location of the drilling program is marked and labelled as A9-1-98. The claim boundaries and these identification are on both these figures also.

### Objectives and Summary Results

Over the past twenty years the R. H. Stanfield Group of companies has initiated a series of programs of airborne geophysics, satellite imagery, and ground examination to fulfil the following objectives. The programs are ongoing, and this report covers a portion of the effort covering this claim group:

- a. Determine the strike and dip extensions of the individual deposits.
- b. Increase the tonnage potential of the deposits by either connecting these adjacent deposits along strike (or connections at depth), or discovering other deposits in the strike directions or down-dip or enechelon to the known showings.
- c. A9-1-98 was drilled to determine the depth to the Boundary Fault, and whether the footwall is the same Aldridge sequence found north of the river, and whether dioritic sills and dykes exist in significant amounts to explain the magnetic anomaly extension from north of the river.

The ABJ Group #1 claim group includes the BUL RIVER MINE (see Figure 3). It straddles the Sand Creek- Lizard Range Domain of the Rocky Mountain tectono-stratigraphic province, and the Rocky Mountain Trench province. In the former province within the claim group the bedrock is mostly of argillaceous sediments of Proterozoic age Aldridge-Creston Formations, and Moyie diorite dykes and sills. The Proterozoic sequence is the host-rock on most of the known mineral deposits on the property and adjacent to it. On the claim group, the area immediately on the hanging wall of the Boundary Fault, that separates the two provinces across from the Bul River Mine area, is of interest because of the large magnetic anomaly associated with the area.

The drill sites were located in the closest flat area that was accessible using existing infrastructure. The core from the diamond drilling program are stored at the R. H. Stanfield campsite near Galloway.

**Appendix 1** contains the geologic logs of the A9-1-98 diamond drill hole. Of particular interest was the confirmation of the Boundary Fault, the presence of dyke (dioritic?) immediately in the footwall of the fault, and the intersection of Proterozoic argillaceous sediments on the foot wall side of the Boundary Fault.

The aeromagnetic anomaly over the Bul River Mine area is possibly related to the en-echelon system of diorite dykes and sills that have been mapped to date as part of the Proterozoic Moyie system. To the immediate west of the claim group another distinct aeromagnetic anomaly has

been correlated to a large intrusive of diorite-monzonite composition. This has been mapped in Bulletin 84 as a Cretaceous age intrusive.

It is, therefore, possible that the dyke intersected in the A9-1-98 drill hole may be either related to the Moyie dykes and sills, or to the Cretaceous intrusive in the area, or is part of a different intrusive sequence. Samples of the Moyie type intrusive from the Bul River Mine area, and samples from the Cretaceous intrusive were analysed for major elements together with a sample of the dyke from A9-1-98. This was covered in the previous report on AB Group #1, where the conclusions were that the intrusive in A9-1-98 is probably different than the other two intrusive types in the Bul River mine area, or is a different phase of probably the Moyie. The iron content in the A9-1-98 sample is probably high enough to explain the magnetic anomaly, but the drilling to date has not intersected enough intrusive material to support the size of the anomaly south of the Bull River.

In this phase the extension of the drill hole allowed intersection of the footwall side of the Boundary Fault where argillaceous sediments similar to the Aldridge sequence at Bul River Mine were intersected.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

No further drilling is recommended at this time.

**STATEMENT OF COSTS:**  
**(Based on information by the R. H. Stanfield Group to MMRS)**

Diamond Drill Hole A9-1-98

**Section A: (Background)**

Drilling Days	50
Period Days July 23-Sept 22/98	62
Number of Driller R&B Days	109
Total Diamond Drilling - 4284'-2650' (used previously)	1634

**Section B: Direct Costs**

**I.) Contractor Rates, Drill Rig Charges**

	Hours	Rate/Hr	Total
Schmidt Drilling	667.5	\$185.00	\$123,487.50
Rate			
Schmidt Travel	67	\$72.00	\$4,824.00
Time			

**II.) Drill Bits**

	Qty	Cost/per	Total
Series 9F NQ Longyear	3	\$805.00	\$2,415.00
Series 6 BQ Longyear	1	\$430.00	\$430.00
Series 9F BQ Longyear	2	\$590.00	\$1,180.00
BQ Reaming Shell	1	\$410.00	\$410.00
NQ Reaming Shell	1	\$540.00	\$540.00
BQ Right Hand Tap	1	\$131.96	\$131.96
NQ Right Hand Tap	1	\$148.44	\$148.44

**III.) Drill Muds**

	Qty	Cost/per	Total
20L UltraVis Mud	48	\$100.00	\$4,800.00
20L Torqueless	40	\$80.00	\$3,200.00

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20L Drill Rod	8	\$110.00	\$880.00
Grease			
20L Linseed Soap	1	\$45.00	\$45.00
WD-40	2	\$10.00	\$20.00

#### IV.) Drill Pipe

	Footage	Cost/per	Total
BQ Drill Pipe	1634	\$2.56	\$4,183.04
NQ Pipe lost in Hole	960	\$10.20	\$9,792.00

#### V.) Miscellaneous

	Qty	Cost/per	Total
BQ Corelifters	4	\$10.25	\$41.00
BQ Corelifter Cases	4	\$19.00	\$76.00
Splices for Wireline	50	\$1.16	\$58.00

#### Total Direct Costs

**\$156,661.94**

#### Section C: Indirect Costs

	# of days	\$/day	Total
R&B Contractor	109	\$65.00	\$7,085.00
Wage Foreman	51	\$200.00	\$10,200.00
Wage Co-ordinator	40	\$140.00	\$5,600.00
R&B Foreman	51	\$65.00	\$3,315.00
R&B Co-ordinator	40	\$65.00	\$2,600.00
4x4 Foreman	51	\$50.00	\$2,550.00
4x4 Co-ordinator	40	\$50.00	\$2,000.00

#### Total Indirect Costs

\$33,350.00

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**Section D:**  
**Ancillaries**

	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Rate/Hr</b>	<b>Total</b>
Case 580D Backhoe	8	\$42.00	\$336.00

**Section E: Professional Fees**

Geological Consultant @ \$400.00/day x 2 days			\$800.00
Geologists R&B @\$65.00/day			\$130.00
Geologist 4x4 \$50/day x 2 days			\$100.00

***Grand Total of A9-1-98***

***\$191,377.94***

**General Information on A9-1-98****A:) Diamond Drilling**

<u>Dates Drilled</u>	A9-1-98 (Continuance) July 23, 1998 to September 22/98	
<u>Contractor</u>	Schmidt Drilling Ltd. PO Box 98 Tees, Alberta T0C 2N0	
<u>Crew</u>	Drillers- Darcy Schmidt, Kevin Schmidt Helpers- Rod Kellner, Michael Schmidt, Geoff Kellner, Evertte Waddy, Ken Miller	
<u>Site Crew</u>	Manager- Ross Stanfield	Box 94, Galloway BC
	Co-ordinator- Tim Hewison	Box 94, Galloway BC
<u>Equipment</u>	Ingersol Rand TH-60 Truck Mounted Rotary Percussion Drill Rig, 600 CFM Air Compressor, Western Star Flatbed, 1000 Ga. Tanker and Pipe Truck, Tool Shed Trailer (8 x 15) and ¾ ton 4x4 Diesel Crew Cab and Slip Tank. Schramm Coring head with side inlet swivel Model T660, Model 2500 Foot Clamp to hold drill rods, Wheatley Triplex Hi-Pressure pump, 16' Gooseneck Stock Trailer	

**B:) Claim Information**

<b>Claim Group</b>	ABJ Group #1
<b>Claims</b>	Aspen #9, Joy #9, Balsam #5, Balsam #7, Balsam #8



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**CERTIFICATE**

I, Pilsum Master of 32 Midpark Gardens S.E. Calgary, Alberta certify that:

I am a graduate of the University of Bombay, India and a graduate of the University of New Mexico, U.S.A., and hold the following degrees:

B.Sc., 1963, Geology/Chemistry  
 M.Sc., 1965, Geology  
 M.Sc., 1968, Geology/Mineralogy

I am a Registered Professional Geologist (Association of Professional Engineers, Geologists and Geophysicists of Alberta) and a member of the American Institute of Mining, Metallurgical and Processing Engineers.

I am the President of Master Mineral Resource Services Ltd. of Calgary, Alberta with Permit to Practice Number P5336 from the Association of Professional Engineers, Geologists and Geophysicists of Alberta.

I have practised my profession since 1967.

This Report on the ABJ Group #1 is based upon my involvement in the compilation of geological literature, examination of drill sites, logging of drill core, and the evaluation and compilation of data.

My company and I do not hold any interest in the properties or securities of R. H. Stanfield, or affiliates thereof, nor do my company and I expect to receive any directly or indirectly.

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Pilsum Master, M.Sc., M.Sc., P.Geol.  
 President  
 Master Mineral Resource Services Ltd.

<b>PERMIT TO PRACTICE</b>	
MASTER MINERAL RESOURCE SERVICES LTD.	
Signature	<u><i>Pilsum Master</i></u>
Date	<u>March 29, 1999</u>
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The Association of Professional Engineers, Geologists and Geophysicists of Alberta	

**APPENDIX 1**

**DRILL LOGS**





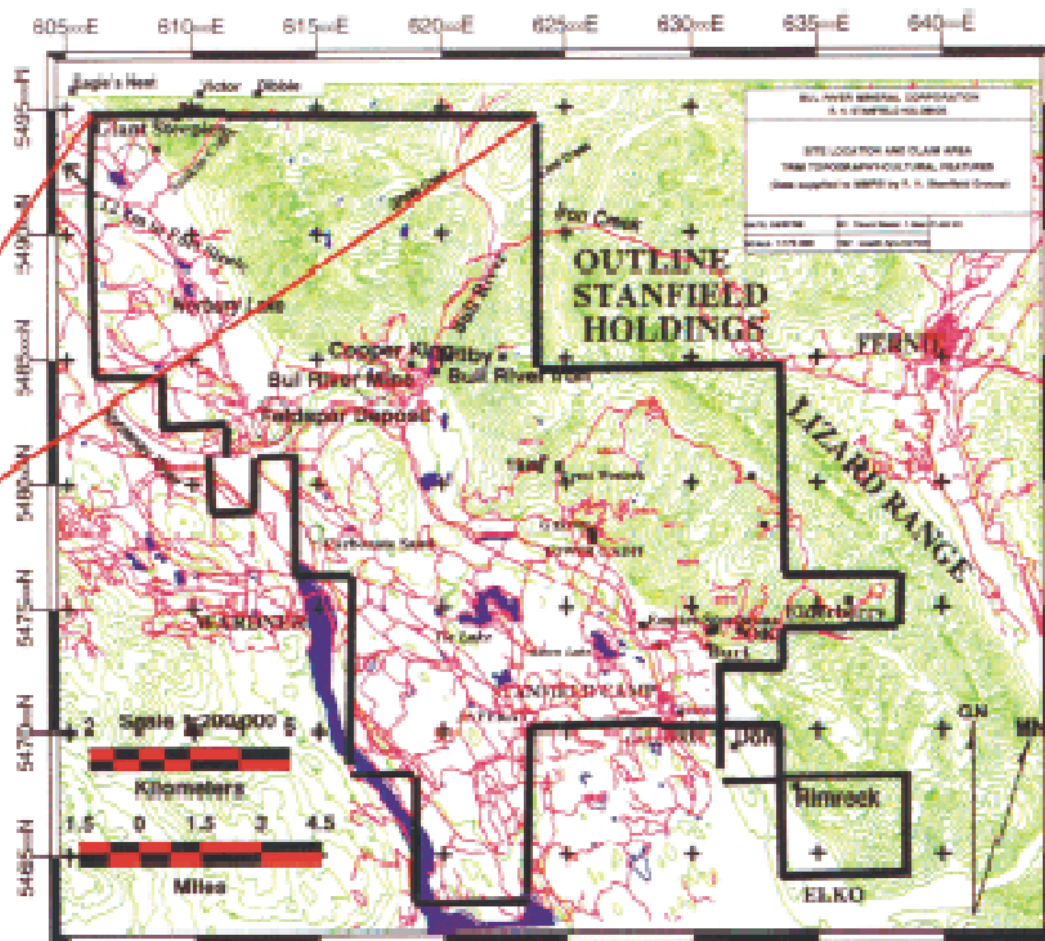
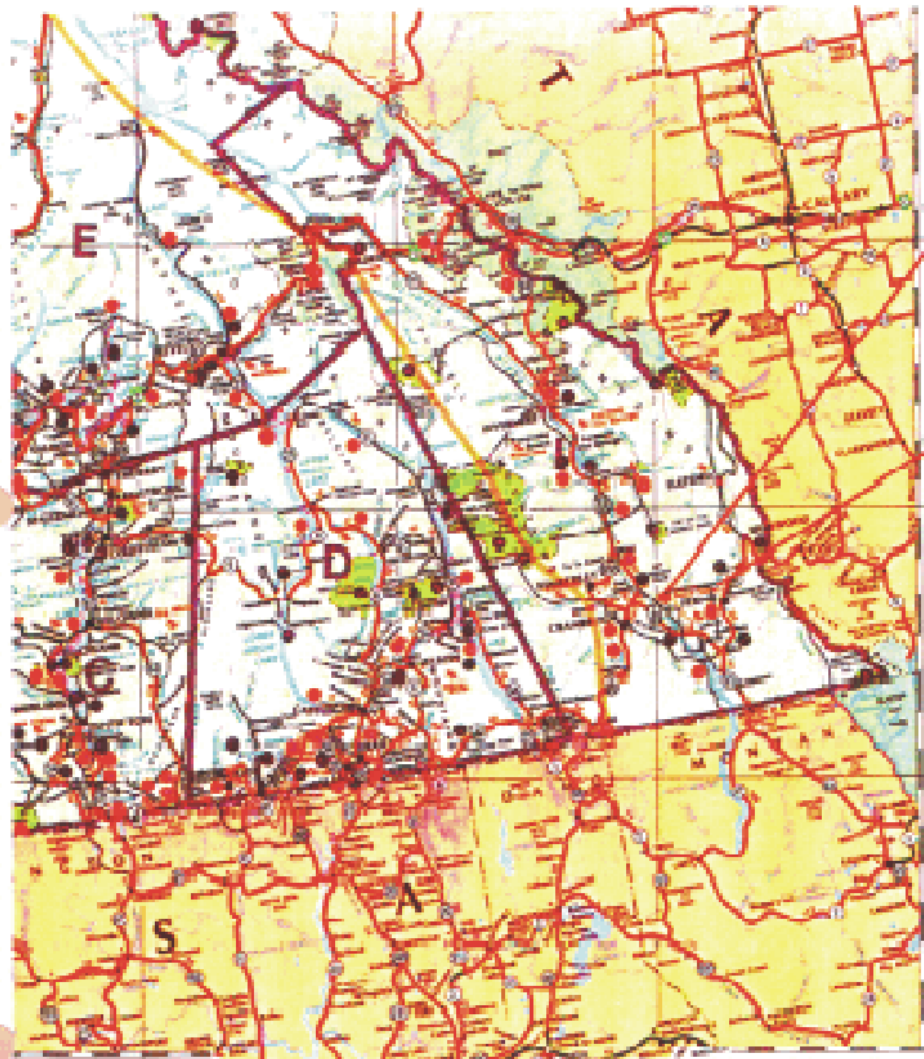
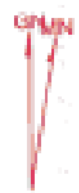
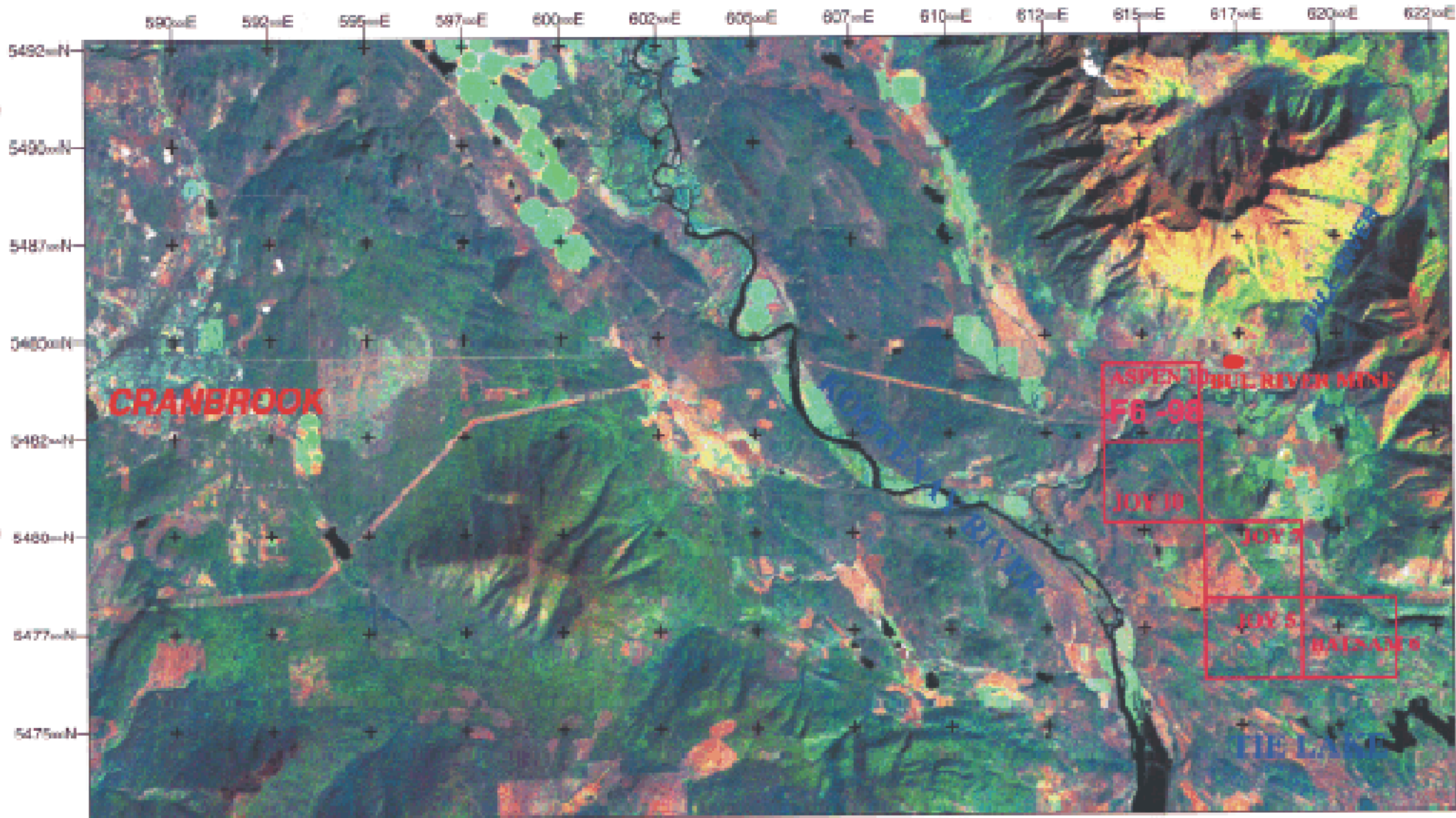


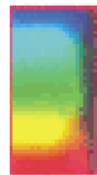
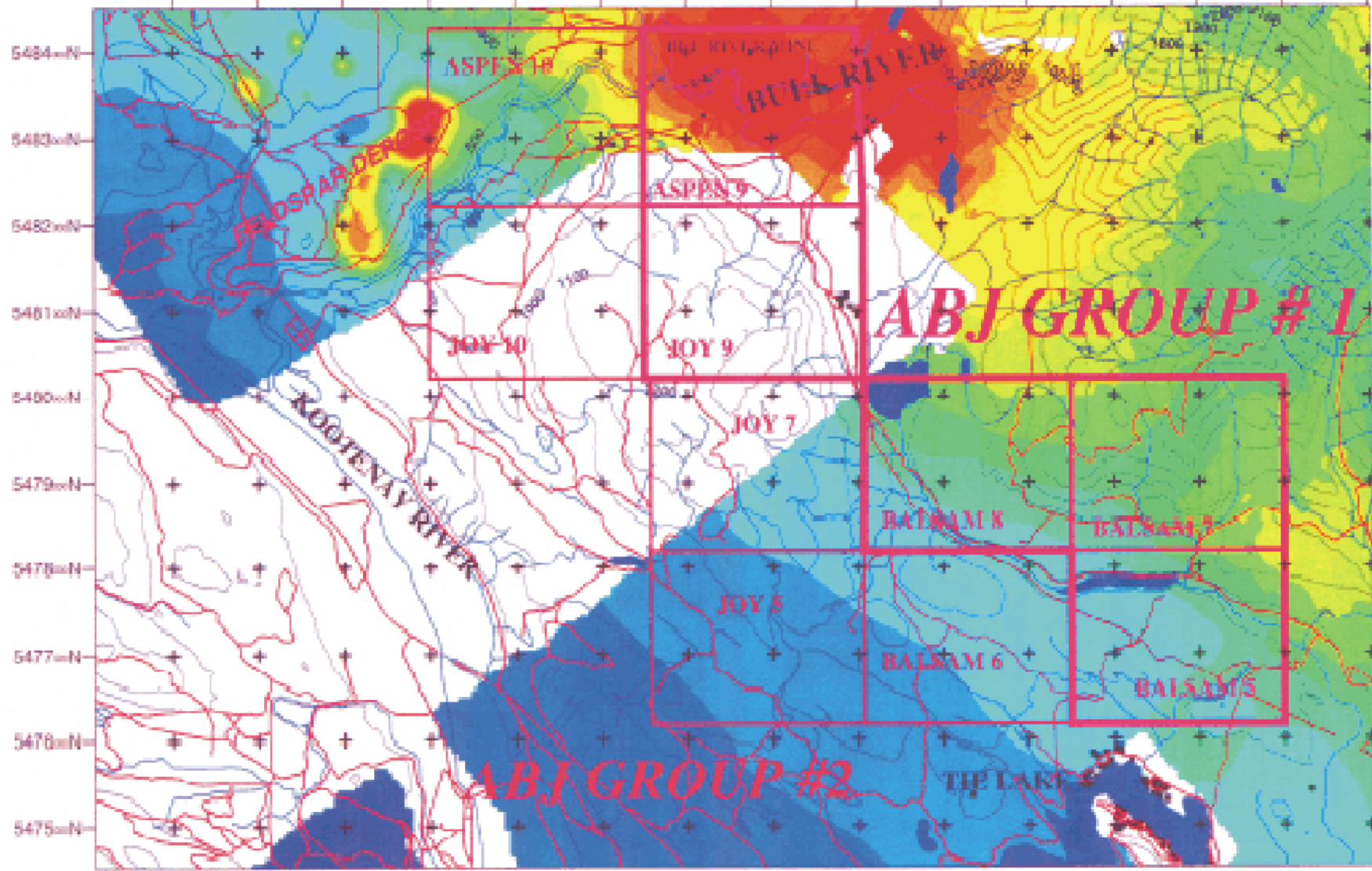
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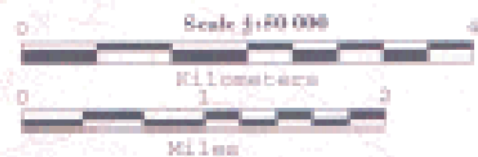
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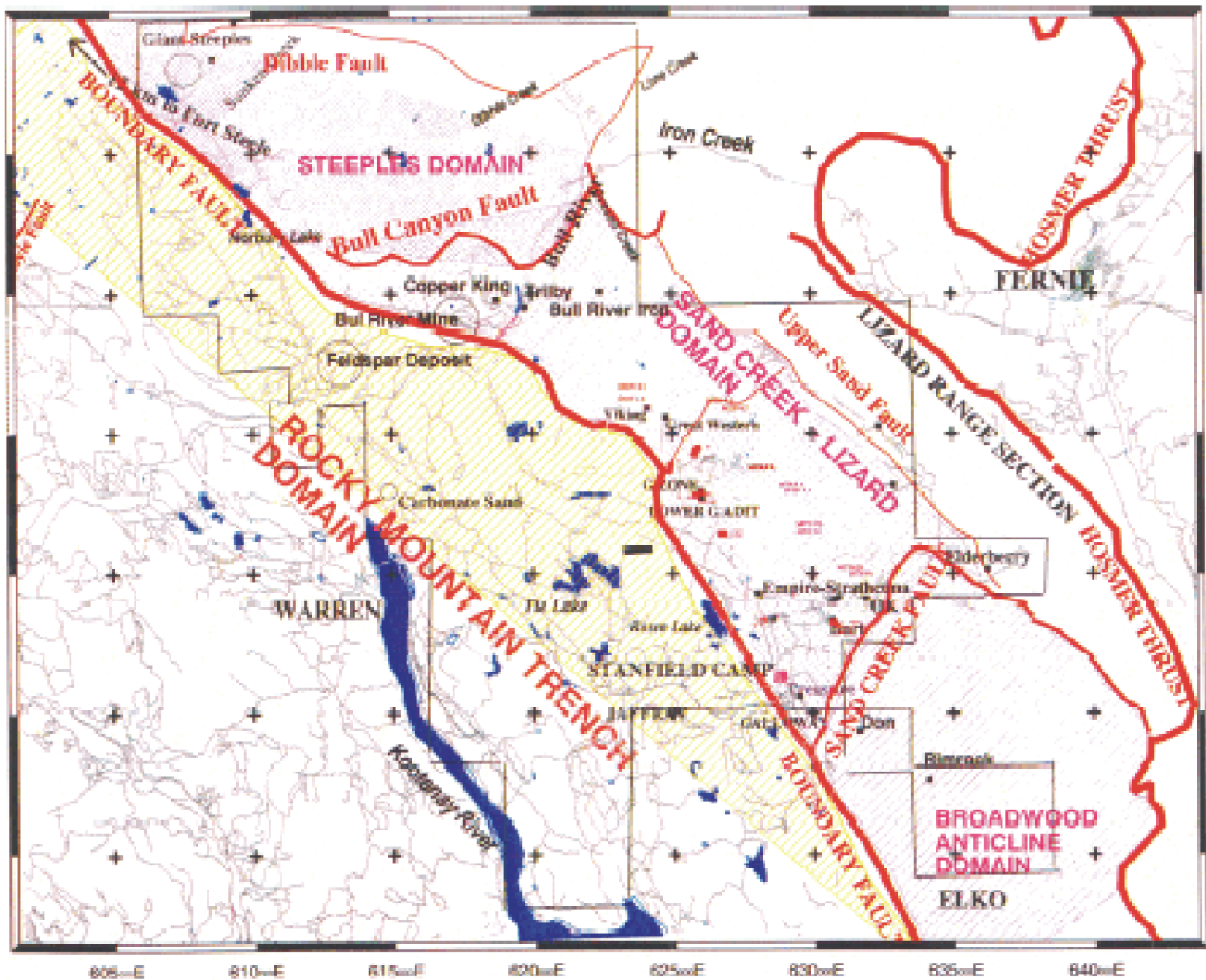
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Mineral Deposits



Outline  
Stanfield Holdings

**Figure 5**

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