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PROPERTY NAME: Rock Candy Mine

NTS: 82E/1W  
82E/8W

OWNER: Cominco

LAT: 49° 15'  
LONG: 118° 30'

CLAIMS: L1646, L1647, L1648, L1649, L1650, L1651, L2396, L2397, L2616 (9 crown granted mineral claims).

LOCATION AND ACCESS: The Rock Candy Mine is located about 25 kilometres north of Grand Forks on Kennedy Creek. Access to the property is by the Rock Candy Creek Forest Service Road, a branch of the Pass Creek Road, to about the 9 kilometre mark. At this point, the road crosses Kennedy Creek. The mine workings are reached by following the old road/trail on the south side of the creek for about 1.5 kilometres to the east, crossing to the north side of the creek over a narrow bridge. The northern showings can be reached by turning northward on a rough road which follows an old river valley for a short distance and then climbs uphill to Fluorine Lake, a distance of about 2.5 kilometres.

SUMMARY OF FIELD VISIT: The Rock Candy Mine is a well known fluorite mine from which Cominco mined in the order of 30,000 tons of fluorite from 1918 - 1925 with minor additional production in 1929 and 1942. Because the property occurs on crown grants, there is little public information about the property. Two reports (Wilson, 1929 and BCDM Ann. Rept, 1967) describing the property are attached.

Fluorite veins occur within a large epithermal system hosted in a large body of Coryell syenite. The system exceeds one kilometre in strike length, exposed in several small pits at the north end, intersected in drill holes, a small adit and exposed in outcrop in the central portion, and followed by the mine workings at the

south. Fluorite occurs mainly at the south end of the system, with quartz, chalcedony and minor barite in open space, multi episodic veins up to 3 metres in width. The system strikes north-south, dips steeply to the west and is reported to average about 15 metres in width. At the north end, silicification and chalcedonic veining is prevalent. Strong sericite, kaolinite and silica alteration of the syenite host occurs adjacent to the system.

There is no record or evidence of recent exploration for precious metals in this system. Ten samples of surface showings were collected for analysis, as detailed below.

SAMPLE RESULTS AND DESCRIPTIONS:

|           |   | Au<br>ppb | Ag<br>ppm | Hg<br>ppb | Sb<br>ppm |
|-----------|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| BCS 18384 | Chalc veining and strong silic'n of tuff? in pits near lake   | 16        | 1.3       | 5         | -         |
| BCS 18385 | Same as 18384   | 17        | 1.3       | 5         | -         |
| BCS 18386 | O/C near lake, rusty silic'd, with late fluorite qtz veinlets | 3         | 0.6       | 5         | -         |
| BCS 18424 | Drill core, bleached Coryell                                  | 4         | 0.7       | 25        | 1         |
| BCS 18425 | O/C near lake, crystalline quartz vein                        | 6         | 0.5       | 5         | 1         |
| BCS 18426 | O/C near lake, hem, qtz bx 20% fluorite                       | 1         | 1.1       | 5         | 6         |
| BCS 18427 | Mine dump, fluorite and chalc veining                         | 2         | 1.6       | 45        | 4         |
| BCS 18428 | Mine dump. Strongly alt'd host rock                           | 2         | 1.4       | 75        | 6         |
| BCS 18429 | Mine dump. Same as 18429                                      | 2         | 0.9       | 5         | 1         |
| BCS 18430 | Mine dump. Massive fluorite                                   | 1         | 1.3       | 5         | 2         |

RECOMMENDATIONS: Although precious metal values from surface exposures on the property are low, the system is very large and has received little recent exploration. I could find no record of any exploration for gold on the property. The Rock Candy property would be an excellent epithermal target which could be tested for precious metals relatively easily. If a deal could be reached with Cominco this would be a good epithermal target for Minnova.

REFERENCES:

BCDM Annual Report, 1967, p. 305 - 308.

Wilson, M.E., 1929. Fluorospars Deposits of Canada, GSC Economic Geology Series No. 6.

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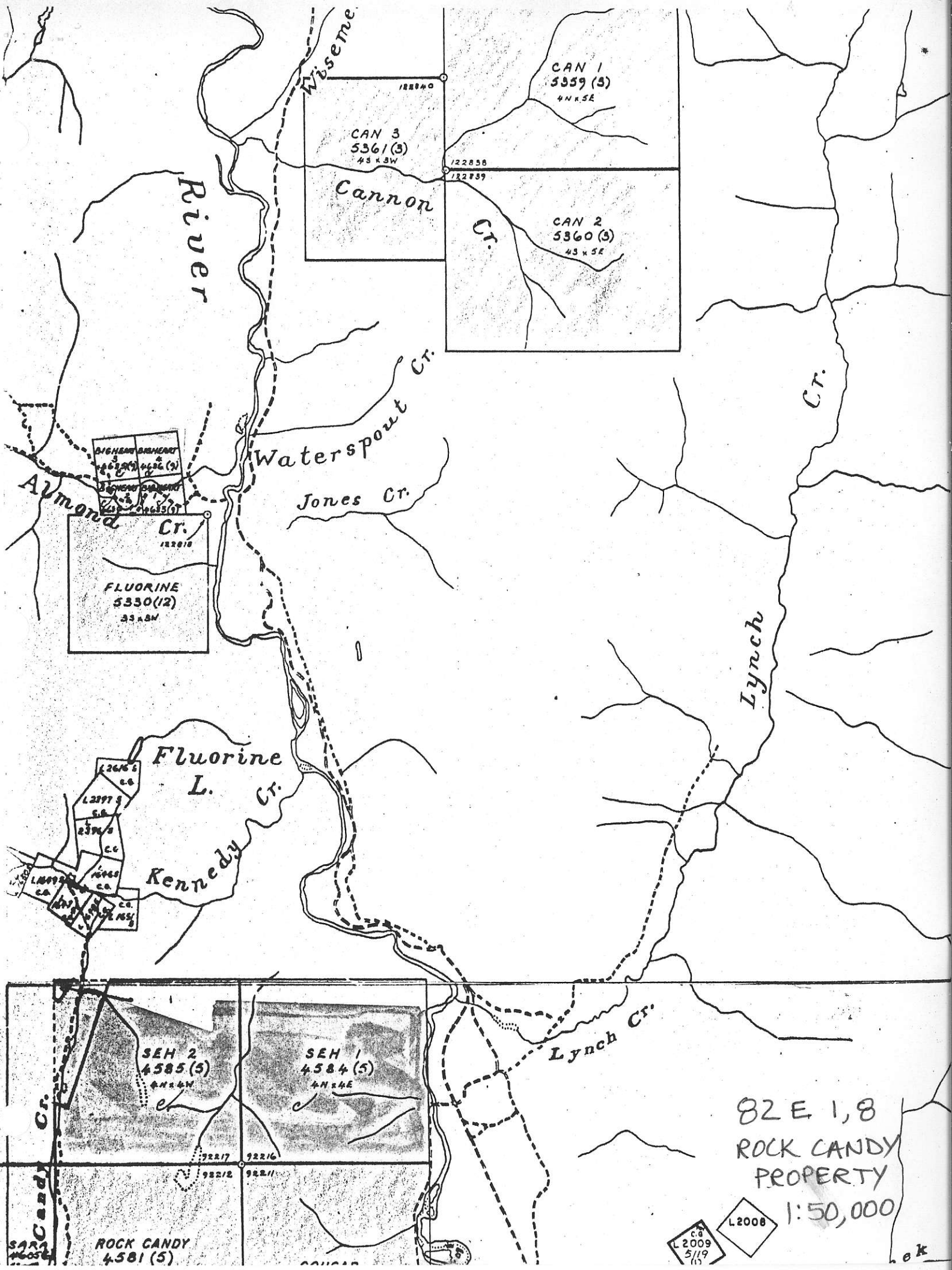
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ROCK CANDY PROPERTY

Rock Candy Location Map  
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