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REPORT ON

1973 OPERATIONS

ON THE CLAIMS OF

STARBIRD MINES LTD. [N.P.L.]

STEWART, B.C.

Vancouver, B. C., November 15, 1973. W. G. Hainsworth, P.Eng., Consulting Geologist

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#### SUMMARY & CONCLUSIONS

Starbird Mines Ltd. [N.P.L.] have concluded a drill program on their Stewart, B. C. group of claims.

In the early portion of the 1973 field season a packsack drill program was undertaken and 401 feet of core in eight holes resulted. Following examination of the property including this drilling and the underground workings the writer, in a report dated August 14, 1973, recommended further drilling utilizing a larger drill machine. The report recommended 3,000 feet of BQ drilling with the program estimated to cost \$57,000. Starbird Mines put this program into effect. Snow conditions forced a halt to the drilling almost half-way through the recommended footage.

All the holes drilled, save one, intersected the mineralized zone. The results of the drilling proved up a drill-indicated tonnage of 12,300 tons averaging 0.065 oz/t gold; 6.09 oz/t silver; 1.58% lead and 1.87% zinc across an average width of 5.4 feet.

The 1973 drilling proved the extension of the main structure to the south. Grades are below that of the 1910 values but the continuity has been proven.

The shaft area from which interesting goldsilver values were obtained was not touched during this portion of the program.

The writer concludes that the Starbird property at Stewart, B. C. is still an interesting situation and worthy of completion of the original recommendations.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

The original recommendations of August 14, 1973 called for 3,000 feet of BQ drilling. Unfortunately, weather conditions did not allow completion of this pro-

gram. It is recommended that this work be completed thereby carrying the mineralized structure further to the south.

In addition, the recommendation concerning mapping, sampling and surveying of the underground was not carried out. This should also be undertaken in the next program.

The shaft area at the north end of the property was recommended for some drilling which never resulted, again because of weather conditions. As this area holds promise, the completion of the drilling should include several drill holes in this area.

Basically, the recommendations are similar to the August 14th, 1973 recommendations.

An estimate of cost based on knowledge of 1973 drill costs would be:

Diamond Drilling:  1,500 feet of "B" size, wire line including mobilization, demob- ilization, moving @ \$18.00/foot	<b>\$</b> 27,000
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Sample preparation and Assaying	1,000
Camp Maintenance	2,000
Travel [helicopter, etc.]	2,000
Engineering, Supervision	2,500
Contingency at 15%	5,300
Total	\$ 39,800

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### INTRODUCTION

This report is written at the request of directors of Starbird Mines Ltd. [N.P.L.]. It is an accounting and evaluation report covering the drill program as undertaken by the company on their silver-lead-zinc claims located on Glacier Creek in the Stewart area of northern British Columbia.

In a report dated August 14, 1973 the writer recommended a drilling program estimated to cost \$57,000 and encompassing some 3,000 feet of drilling.

Since the date of the above report the writer has visited the property just once - August 28th, when holes were laid out for the drill program.

During the drilling, a resident geologist, Wayne Waters, logged and, additionally, surveyed the hole locations.

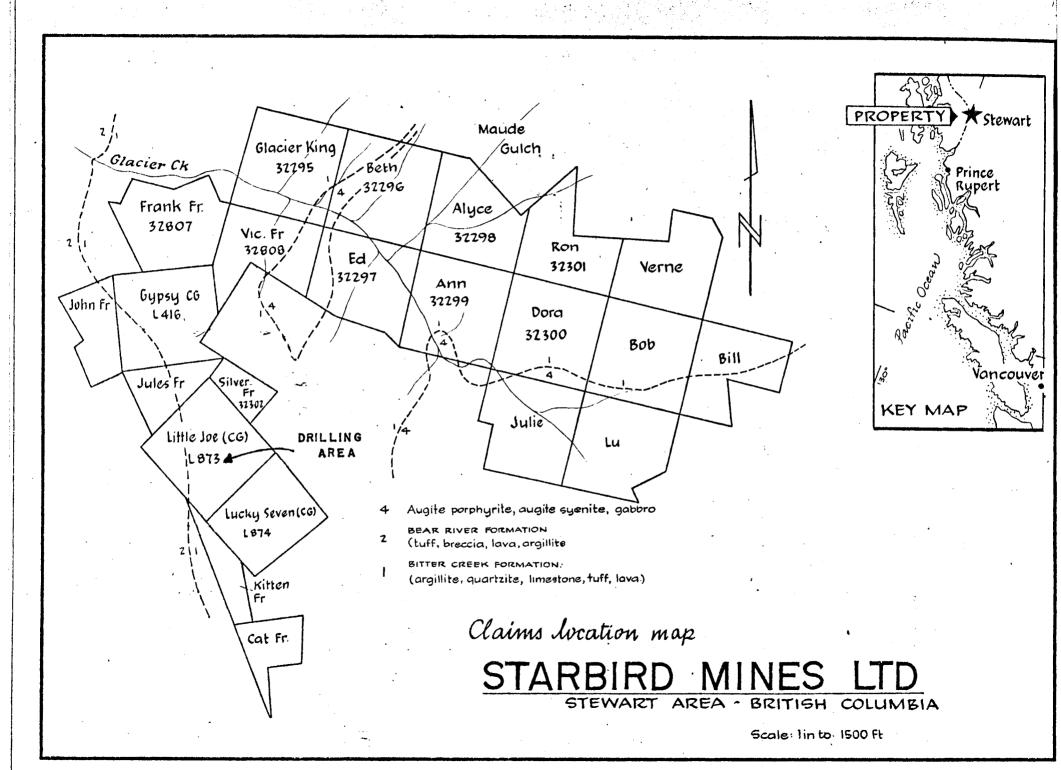
## LOCATION & ACCESS

The nineteen claims of Starbird Mines are located along, and to the southwest of, Glacier Creek, about one mile east of Bear River. The town of Stewart lies two and one-half miles to the southwest of the property.

The claims are primarily serviced by helicopter due to the difficult terrain. However, access can be made to the claims by a pack trail branching from the Bear River road.

Stewart is in daily communication with Prince Rupert through Pacific Western Airlines and may also be reached overland by the newly completed road from Terrace.

Co-ordinates of the claim group are latitude  $55^{\circ}$  58' North and longitude 129 54' East. The property lies within NTS 103-P-13.



## PROPERTY

Claim Name	Lot or Record No.	In Good Standing Till
Gypsy CG Little Joe Lucky Seven Glacier King Beth Ed Alyce Ann Dora Ron Vic Fr. Frank Fr. Kitten Fr. Cat Fr. Jules Fr. John Fr. Bob	Lot 416 Lot 873 Lot 874 32295 M 32296 M 32297 M 32298 M 32299 M 32300 M 32301 M 32808 G 32807 G 34476 K 34477 K 34478 K 34479 K	September 28, 1974 June 17, 1976 June 17, 1976 August 20, 1974
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The above information has been supplied by the company. The writer has not checked out the figures at the Vancouver claim registry office.

The claims form a block in the shape of an arrow-head pointing towards the northwest.

## TOPOGRAPHY

The area is extremely rugged being part of the Coastal Mountain system. The claims lie along the side of steep and very rugged mountains. The mountains are thickly forested with a heavy percentage of overburden cover.

Elevations extend through a range varying from 850' above mean sea-level at the western end of the group to the 3,500' level in the Cat Fraction at the southeastern end of the claims.

## HISTORY & PREVIOUS WORK

A full write-up is contained in the August 14th, 1973 report by the writer. The reader is referred to this report.

## AREAL GEOLOGY

A review was included in the August 14, 1973 report.

## GEOLOGY OF THE PROPERTY

A reprint from the earlier report is herewith given for continuity's sake:

"Two main formations, both part of the Bitter Creek sequence, have been identified and mapped on the Starbird claims. They are the predominating argillite formation and the lesser limestone bands.

The argillites are normally of the thin bedded variety although some massive sections do exist. They vary from the highly graphitic type to a limey version although the former is the more prevalent. An integral part of the argillites is the presence of pyrite, and in some locations, pyrrhotite.

Interbedded with the argillites are thin lenses of limestone. Normally these lenses are in the order of a few inches thick. However, several beds of considerable thickness have been identified lying several hundred feet to the east of the main workings.

The attitude of the formations is N  $20^{\circ}$  –  $25^{\circ}$  W with a westerly dip which varies from  $20^{\circ}$  to  $60^{\circ}$ . Local contortioning in the argillites is not unusual and several places, particularly in the vicinity of creeks, show open folding.

Structure-wise, no major zones of faulting are evident on the Starbird claims. Shear structures, normally confined to the argillites, are fairly common although of minor dimensions. In the case of the vein structures, the shear fissures have been filled with

" quartz accompanied by sulphides of lead, zinc and iron and occasionally calcite. "

## 1973 DIAMOND DRILLING

It was recommended that tier drilling along the southern extension of the vein be given priority in the late 1973 drilling. To this end five sections, spaced at 50 foot intervals, were laid out by the writer on August 28th. Each section consisted of a front tier of holes, a vertical and a -45° inclined hole. The second tier was spaced 60 feet behind the front holes and consisted of a vertical and -70° inclined hole.

This pattern of drilling was followed, although some slight deviations did result.

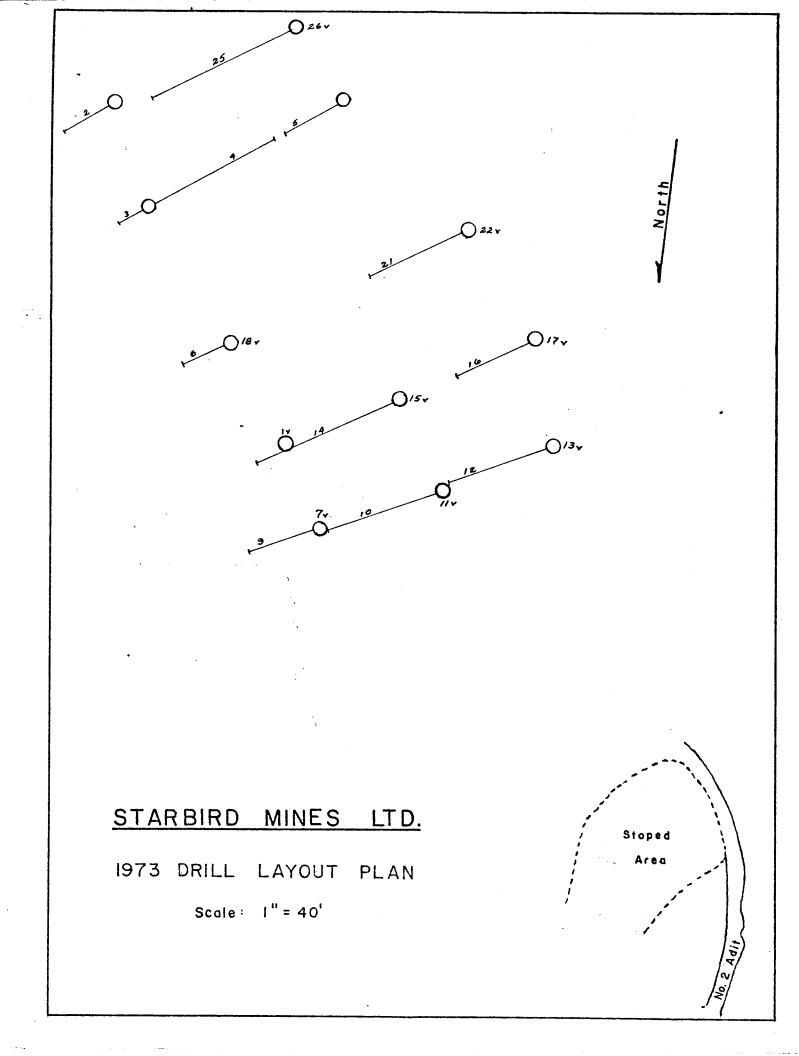
Drilling commenced on September 4th and, due to weather conditions, was stopped on October 8th. A total of 1,616 feet was completed in fifteen holes. All holes were on the southern extension of the vein structure.

During the early packsack drilling of 1973 a total of eight drill holes incorporating 401 feet was completed. The location of these holes was haphazard and not on an assigned layout.

As mentioned in the August 14th report, four of these eight packsack hills intersected mineralization.

The following table lists the various developments of each hole:

Hole No.	Depth	Dip	Bearing	<u>Width</u>	Au (oz)	Ag (oz)	Pb (%)	<u>Zn (%)</u>
1	46.0	<b>-</b> 90	-	17.0	0.06	6.63	3.71	4.51
2	56.0	<del>-</del> 65	N 60 E	-				
3	29.0	<b>-</b> 65	N 60 E	6.0	0.08	1.85	1.53	7.07
4	60.5	-60	S 60 W	-				
5	65.0	<b>-</b> 65	N 70 E	-				
6	52,5	<b>-</b> 65	N 80 E	6.5	0.066	2.18	2.15	2.70
7	30.0	<b>-</b> 90	· <u></u>	8.5	0.103	10.49	1,80	2.26
8	62.0	<b>-</b> 90	· <b>-</b>	-				
9	44.0	<b>~</b> 45	N 60 E	8.0	0.07	5.40	2.71	4.21
10	77.0	<b>-</b> 45	N 60 E	2.0	0.16	18.70	0.31	0.70
11	57.0	-90	-	12.4	0.04	2.61	1.41 '	1.74
12	79.0	<b>-</b> 70	N 60 E	3.0	0.09	7.50	2.75	2.15
13	134.0	<b>-</b> 90	-	4.0	0.02	3,20	0.20	0.10
14	90.0	<b>-4</b> 5	N 60 E	3.5	0.14	9.70	0.30	0.70
15	85,0	<del>-</del> 90	-	3.5	0.04	3.10	0.10	0.15
16	98.0	<b>-</b> 70	N 60 E	2.5	0.15	3,10	3.90	0.30
17	152.0	<b>-</b> 90	-	2,5	0.05	4.70	1.95	1.40
18	110.0	<b>-</b> 90	-	0.6	0.039	8,99	0.12	0.59
19 & 20	Not dril	Lled						
21	125.0	70	N 60 E	2.0	0,051	3.76	0.01	0.03
22	135.0	<b>-</b> 90		-	(broke	into drif	t)	
23	40.0	(Hole	not compl	Leted due	to winte	r conditi	ons)	
24	Not dril	Lled						
25	186.0	<b>-</b> 70	N 60 E	6.0	0,069	9.01	0.07	0.06
26	204.0	<b>-</b> 90	-	2.0	0.012	3,21	0.05	0.04



## COMMENTS

The early 1973 packsack drilling had no planned layout to the program. Its intention was primarily to check as to whether the vein existed at various points. As stated, the later drilling was laid out on a grid type approach designated to extend the vein structure to depth and on strike to the south.

Five sections of drilling were laid out at the property. Only four of these sections were utilized. The recommendations called for eight sections of drilling. Time, abetted by weather, did not allow further drilling.

The following column shows the number of holes in each section, the average width and average grade. The final row of figures is the average results of the grid drilling:

Section	No. of Holes	<u>Holes</u>	<u>Width</u>	Au (oz)	Ag (oz)	Pb (%)	Zn (%)
1	6	7, 9, 10, 11,12,13	6.31	0.069	6.27	1.69	2.18
2 .	5	1, 14, 15, 16, 17	3.0° 5'8	0.074	6.10	2,73	2.90
3	3	6, 18, 21, 22	3.81	0.056	4.23	1.25	1.69
4	No dr	illing					
5	2	25, 26	4.0'	0.055	7,56	0.07	0.06
Strike Length = 190'	16		5.4'	0,65	6.09	1.58	1.87

Although the following figure can be misleading, the above average represents a gross value per ton of \$39.55, taking gold at \$100; silver at \$2.80; lead at  $17\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ and zinc at 28¢

The vein structure was followed to an average down dip projection of 120 feet. This results in a ton-

nage indicated by diamond drilling of 12,300 tons.

The results of the drilling are encouraging from the standpoint of structural continuity. The values encountered, however, are somewhat weak. The total drilling was just slightly more than half the recommended footage.

The possibility exists that the drilling was in a weaker extension of the vein. The fact that hole #22 broke into some sort of underground working indicates that this area was probed by previous operators underground and left as an uneconomic section.

In addition, no drilling was carried out on the shaft area at the northern end of the property, despite recommendation to this effect. Sampling by the resident geologist, W. Winters, from various pits close to the shaft, gave the following results:

Sample	e No.	Au [oz]	Ag [oz]	Pb [%]	<u>Zn [%]</u>
25026	Bed	0.003	0.05	0.84	7.85
25027	3 slub	0.144	0.56	1.11	0.27
25028	3 stuhe	0.090	0.68	0.76	0.46-going east-
25029	sind !	0.170	4.28	5.35	3.34 opport. 15 hat

Sampling widths are unknown.

Surveying of the underground and additional underground sampling, both recommended in the author's earlier report, were not carried out due to the time element.

Respectfully submitted,

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## CERTIFICATE

I, WILLIAM G. HAINSWORTH, HEREBY CERTIFY:

- 1] That I am a geologist residing at 3473 Capilano Road, North Vancouver, British Columbia.
- That I am a graduate of the University of Western Ontario, London, Ontario, with a B.Sc. degree and am a registered member of the Association of Professional Engineers of the Province of British Columbia.
- 3] That I have practiced my profession for twentythree years.
- 4] That I have no financial interest, either direct or indirect, in the subject properties, in the securities of Starbird Mines Ltd. [N.P.L.], nor in that of any of its affiliates and that I do not expect to obtain any such interest.
- 5] That the information contained in this report is based on evaluation of all data from various sources pertaining to the property, examination of drill logs, and several trips to the property during the 1973 field season.

Vancouver, British Columbia November 15, 1973 Wm. G. Hainsworth, P. Eng. Consulting Geologist

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DRILL SECTION # I

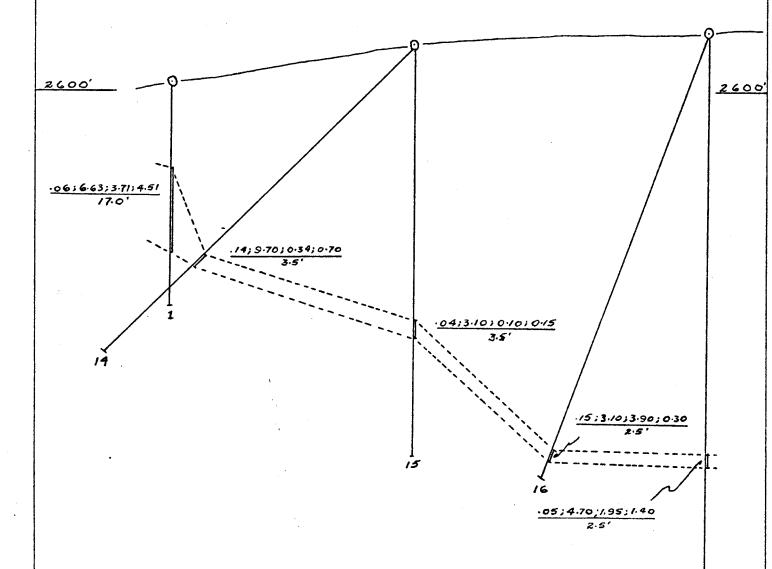
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Scale: 1" = 20'

Assays:
Au(az); Ag (az); Ph 9a; In 9a
FEET





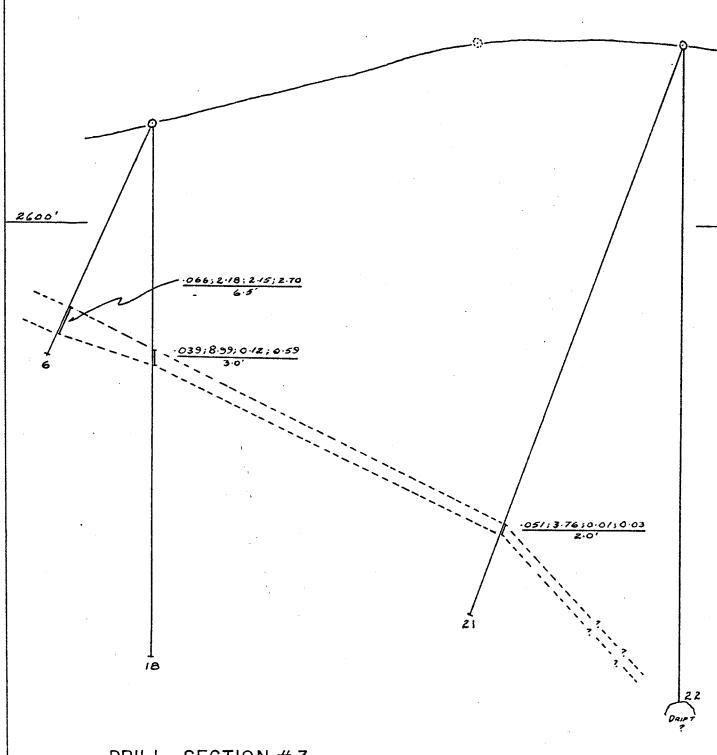
DRILL SECTION # 2

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Scale: 1" = 20'

Assays: Au (oz); Ag (oz); Ph96; In 96 FEET



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Scale: |" = 20'

Ass 140:

An (02); Ag (02); Ph %; In %

