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INTRODUCTION

At the request of Mr. Walter J. Kapp, President of Conoco Silver Mines Ltd. (N.P.L.), the writer has undertaken a study of the Company's copper property located in the Sayward area of Vancouver Island, British Columbia. The body of this report consists of a compilation of the results accruing from the work of previous examining Engineers, the results of the writer's observations made August 1, 1970, conclusions, and detailed recommendations for further work. The reports made available to the writer are:

- Geological Report on the Boyes Group,
 by E. P. Shepperd, P. Eng., October 15, 1958.
- Ceological Report on the Boyes Copper
 Prospect, for Bethlehem Copper Corp. Ltd.
 (N. P. L.), by W. M. Sharp, P. Eng., July 1969.

Mr. Sharp's report is based on a six day field examination, and includes detailed information regarding mineral occurrences which the writer did not have the opportunity to examine. With the kind permission of Mr. R. E. Anderson, Bethlehem Copper Corp. Ltd., Mr. Sharp provided the writer with copies of his maps which he prepared to illustrate geological and geochemical features on the property and in adjoining areas, and a detailed geological and assay plan of the Boyes Creek showings. This information will greatly facilitate future work.

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SUMMARY and RECOMMENDATIONS

The widespread occurrence of copper mineralization in massive stringers of bornite, and disseminations of chalcopyrite and bornite in amygdaloidal lavas, constitutes an interesting prospect which warrants a detailed and thorough evaluation. Although this work has been outlined by previous examining Engineers, a comprehensive program has not been followed through, and only limited work has been carried on in the immediate area of the initial discovery.

It is recommended that a two stage exploration program be under-

1. Determine the extent and significance of known mineralization.

2. Evaluate the areas underlain by geochemical soil anomalies.

Evaluate major portion of the property which has not been closely examined.
 Evaluate the target areas by diamond drilling.

The first stage of the program will consist of therough geological, geochemical, and geophysical work to define target areas which will be evaluated by diamond drilling during the second stage.

The cost estimate is based on a six month program, and is presented as follows:

Stage 1.

a. Personnel

b. Camp costs

c. Line cutting

\$18,590.00 9,300.00

7,100.00

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Sampling and Assay d. \$ 3,000.00 Magnetometer Rental е. 310.00 f. Bulldozer 8,000.00 Gasoline Plugger 500.00 g. Transportation h. 2,250.00 Engineering and Supervision i. 5,000.00 \$54,050.00

Stage 2.

8.	Diamond Drilling 5000 ft. BQWL @ \$12.00 per ft.	\$60,000.00
b.	Camp costs	2,800.00
с.	Engineering and Supervision	5,000.00
		\$67,800.00

COST SUMMARY

Stage	1		\$	54,050.00
Stage	2			67,800.00
Adminis	stration an	d Contingencies		
at ap	proximatel	y 15%	-	18,000.00
	Total	Estimate	\$1	39,850.00

PROPERTY and HISTORY

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The Boyes Claim Group consists of 103 mineral claims located approximately 10 miles southwest of Sayward, British Columbia, in the Nanaimo Mining Division (Figure 1). The claims, their record numbers, and expiry dates, were checked by the writer January 25, 1971, in the Mining Recorder's office, Vancouver, and these particulars are listed as follows:

CLAIM NAME	RECORD NUMBER	EXPIRY DATE
Bruce 1 to 22 incl. Bruce 23, 24	27052 - 2703 27186 - 27187	September 17, 1971. October 8, 1971.
Dennis 1 to 39 incl.	27074 - 27112	September 17, 1971.
Boyes 1, 2, 4	18636,-37,-39	May 27, 1973.
Boyes 3	18638	May 27, 1974.
George 1	19256	March 28, 1973.
George 2, 3, 5	19257,-58,-60	March 28, 1972.
George 4	19259	March 28, 1971.
Kevin 1 to 15 incl.	32936 - 32950	September 4, 1971.
Kevin 16, 17	26249, -50	August 8, 1971.
Kevin 18 to 30 incl.	27113 to 27125	September 17, 1971.

The distribution of the claims is shown in Figure 2.

These claims are held by Western Standard Silver Mines Ltd. (N.P.L.) by right of purchase from the owner, and have been transferred to Conoco Silver Mines (N. P.L.) under an Option Agreement dated January 15, 1971.

Although the property has been located since 1968, very little evaluation work has been carried out to date. The discovery showings on a vein system have received most of the attention, and bedrock trenching and sampling has been concentrated along a strike length of approximately 1000 feet. Reconnaissance soil sampling in the area has indicated several potential areas of interest, but no apparent follow-up has been carried out.

Bethlehem Copper Corporation Ltd. (N. P. L.) had the property under option during the 1969 season. At their request, Consulting Geologist, W. M. Sharp, P. Eng., carried out a detailed examination of the property and outlined a sound and comprehensive exploration program. The details of the actual work accomplished by Bethlehem are not known to the writer at this time, however, it does not appear that the recommended program was followed, and it is not clear why the Option Agreement was terminated. A limited amount of diamond drilling was completed some distance to the south and east of the exposed mineralization, and it appears that the target may have been a contact zone which lies along the Adam River. The drill core is stored in Sayward and will be logged by the writer.

LOCATION and ACCESS

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The property is located approximately 10 miles southwest of the town of Sayward and centered at longitude 126° 04' W. and latitude 50° 17' N. (Figure 1). The claim block is rectangular in outline, and the Adam River flows northerly through the eastern side of the property (Figure 2).

The area is easily accessible by 10 miles of well maintained logging road which trends westerly from Highway 19 at the White River bridge south of Sayward. From the Adam River bridge a branch road parallels the river to the south and cuts through the property. At the time of the writer's visit these roads were quite navigable by car.

Much of the area lies within the MacMillan - Bloedel Kelsey Bay Forest Management area and as a result has been logged. The eastern side of the property along a strip approximately 3 claims wide has been logged, while the remainder is timber-covered. Within the claim group the topography is not extreme, and the maximum relief is approximately 2500 feet. Local precipitous feature can be expected in the valleys of the tributory streams which drain easterly across the property (Figure 2).

GEOLOGY

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<u>Ceneral:</u>

To date, this portion of Vancouver Island has received only a preliminary study by Provincial and Federal geologists and, as a result relatively little published geological detail is available.

In general, the northern portion of the Island is underlain by a sequence of volcanic and sodimentary rocks regarded as Triassic to Jurassic in age. In order of decreasing age, the sequence may be broken down into the Karmutsen Group, the Quatsino Formation, and the Bonanza Group. The Karmutsen is comprised of basaltic to andesitic lavas with several amygdaloidal phases. The Quatsino Formation consists mainly of limestone, and the Bonanza Group is recorded as a series of intermediate volcanic and sedimentary rocks. In the immediate area of the property present information indicates a general easterly strike, and a dip of 20° to 30° to the north. As Mr. Sharp has pointed out, several principal mines and prospects across the northern end of the Island occur within this same sequence of volcanic rocks.

These volcanic and sedimentary rocks are cut by the Island Intrusives; a series of medium to coarse grained granodiorites probably Mesozoic in age.

A preliminary regional G. S. C. map by Dr. J. E. Muller, 1967, shows prominent faulting in northwesterly and northeasterly directions. Photogeological work by Mr. Sharp has delineated several significant sets of fractures in the immediate area of the claim group.

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Local:

The mineralization in Boyes Creek constitutes the discovery, and has been the object of exploration efforts to date. As a result, the volcanics exposed along this section provide the basis for a description of some of the important aspects of these rocks.

Limestones are exposed along the Adam River and on top of a ridge towards the north end of the property. Otherwise, the Karmutsen volcanic rocks underly most of the claim block. They consist of basaltic to endesitic flows composed of varying amounts of amygdaloidal, tuffaceous and brecciated material. The rocks vary from medium to dark green in colour, and range considerably in texture from the aphanitic to amygdaloidal phases. One of the more interesting phases has amygdules of epidote, quartz, calcite, chalcopyrite and bornite.

Fracturing is instrumental in localizing massive stringers of bornite, and careful attention must be directed towards the fracture patterns as geologic mapping is carried out. A set trending west-northwest localizes the vein system exposed in Boyes Creek, while a northeasterly set intersects and displaces them in a left-hand sense. Particular attention must be given areas with a high density of intersecting fractures.

Mineralization:

Mineralization consists of chalcopyrite, chalcocite, and bornite

with minor values in gold and silver. It is apparent that two basic types are present:

- Veins and disseminations associated with a strong and well developed set of fractures.
- Dissemination of bornite and chalcopyrite in the amygdaloidal volcanic rocks.

Massive stringers of bornite and chalcocite occur in a sheeted or braided vein system in a shear zone which strikes N. 70° W. and dips steeply south. Boyes Creek occupies this structural feature. Fourteen hand trenches have been blasted and cleaned out across the vein system along a strike length of 1000 feet. Mineralization across widths ranging from 1 to 15 feet have been sampled by W. M. Sharp, P. Eng., and E. P. Shepperd, P. Eng., and the tabulated results of their work is presented as follows:

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Trench	Ft.	Oz/T	Dz/T	%		Trenc	h	Ft.	Oz/T	Oz/T	%
No.	Width	Au	Ag	Cu		No.	-	Width	Au	Aq	<u>Cu</u>
1	4.5	0.02	Tr.	2.83		1		9.5	0.02	0.30	4.32
1	13.5	0.01	0.10	0.51		1		12.5	0.015	0.05	0.80
2	2.8	0.01	0.20	5.86		2		6.0	Ĩr.	0.20	1.03
3	5.5	Jr.	0.10	1.56		2	?	13.5	Tr.	Tr.	1.35
3	4.5	Tr.	0.10	0.95		3		12.5	Tr.	0.33	4.76
4-5	3.5	Tr.	Tr.	0.08		4		7.5	Tr.	0.10	0.63
4-5	3.5	Tr.	0.20	0.25		4		36.0	0.005	0.05	0.22
. 4-5	5.4.	Tr.	Tr.	0.17							
4-5	5.2	Tr.	0.10	0.12							
4-N	4.0	Tr.	0.20	1.24							
9	3.5	Tr.	0.10	1.08		9		2.0	0.78	5.90	4.11
9-1	2.8	Tr.	0.10	0.49		T91		20.0	Tr.	Tr.	1.0
9-2	5.0	Tr.	0.30	6.04		T92		6.0	Tr.	Tr.	1.85
11	4.2	0.01	Tr.	1.95		11		1.0	0.02	0.60	18.93
12	5.3	Tr.	0.30	4.20		12	•	1.0	0.02	2.60	26.26
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Although the vein system can be traced over a significant strike length, the irregular nature of the structure requires that more closely spaced sampling, preferably supported by diamond drilling, is required before grade, width, and tonnage calculations can be considered. However, based on the presently exposed material, further work is justified to evaluate the potential of the vein system.

Two similarly mineralized shear zones have been encountered on the property. The North Creek zone lies approximately 1600 feet to the north, and the South Creek zone 1000 feet to the south.

The second type of minerlization is difficult to see on the weathered outcrop surface, and was discovered as a result of drilling and blasting. The disseminated chalcopyrite and bornite is associated with varying amounts of epidote alteration, and is concentrated in the amygdaloidal phases of the basalt flows. The reconnaissance soil sampling efforts have located several other occurrences of this material, but nothing has been done to determine their size or significance. After more detailed geochemical work has been carried out, stripping, drilling, and blasing will be required to evaluate the occurrences.

CONCLUSIONS and RECOMMENDATIONS

The copper mineralization discovered on the Boyes Claim Group constitutes a prospect which warrants a thorough evaluation. The veintype of mineralization constitutes a high grade target, while the disseminated material encountered in the amygdaloidal lavas suggests a potential for the occurrence of a large tonnage of low grade copper mineralization. The irregular and erratic nature of the mineralization will necessitate careful geological work and sampling, before any meaningful calculations regarding grade, widths, and tonnage can be made.

Considering the length of time that the property has been held, surprisingly little basic evaluation work has been accomplished. On two previous occasions the necessary work has been outlined and recommended by competent Consulting Geologists, but the programs were not carried out. This work must be done before a proper assessment of the property can be made, and the following exploration program is recommended to provide the necessary information.

Although the mineralization vein system in Boyes Creek can be considered a drill target, the writer recommends that this work be deferred until such time as additional targets are located and verified by geological and geochemical work. The total exploration program and cost estimate will be presented in two stages. Stage 1 will consist of a primary exploration phase of geological, geochemical, and geophysical work as required. Anomalous areas will be stripped, trenched and sampled to evaluate their significance.

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The second stage will consist of diamond drilling to assess the targets established by Stage 1.

Stage 1:

- (a) A grid system of control lines is required and can be continued from that already existing. An estimated 71 line miles of picket line, base line, and tie line is required as shown in Figure 3.
- (b) Soil samples will be collected along the picket lines at 200 foot intervals and analysed for total copper. This will require approximately 1800 samples.
- (c) Geological mapping must be completed on the property, and a scale of 200 feet to the inch is recommended.
- (d) A magnetometer survey is recommended, with readings to be taken at
 100 foot intervals along the picket lines.
- (e) Bulldozer stripping and trenching will be carried out to evaluate the anomalous areas indicated by the preceeding work, and drilling and blasting will be necessary to examine and sample mineralized zones. A gasoline plugger and powder should be available on the property.
- (f) During the time a bulldozer is on the property an access road should be constructed from the logging road across claims George 6, Boyes 4, and Boyes 2. The road should be located on the south side of Boyes Creek to facilitate the location of diamond drill sites. Further road locations will be determined by the stripping and trenching requirements.

Stage 2:

A minimum of 500D feet of diamond drilling should be allowed for in estimating budget requirements for the initial phase of drilling. The erratic nature of the mineralization may necessitate a closely spaced pattern of holes.

• The cost estimate is based on a six month program.

COST	EST	I	MA	łT	£

Stage 1.

a. Personnel

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	1 Geologist -		
	\$1,000.00 per month x 5	\$ 5,000.00	•
	1 Assistant -		
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	Plus benefits @ 10%	1,690.00	
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	Estimate 900 man days at	·	
	\$7.00 per man per day		6,300.00
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d.	Line Cutting		
	71 line miles @ \$100.00		7,100.00
8.	Sampling and Assay		
	(1) Soil: $1800 \times 1.00	\$ 1,800.00	
	(2) ROCKI Estimate	1,200.00	
		\$ 3,000,00	3,000,00
		,	0,000,00

Magnetometer Rental f. 1 month @ \$310.00 \$ 310.00 Bulldozer g. Road building, stripping & trenching Estimate 400 hours with a D 6 @ 8,000.00 \$20.00 per hour <u>Gasoline Plugger</u> h. 2 months' rental @ \$185.00 \$ 370.00 2 - 2 ft. steel @ \$ 17.40 34.80 2 - 4 ft. steel @ \$ 18.40 36.80 441.60 ä Allow 500.00 i. Transportation 6 months rental on a Toyota Land Cruiser @ \$375.00 2,250.00 Engineering and Supervision j. 5,000.00 \$54,050.00 TOTAL, Stage 1 Stage 2. Diamond Drilling 8. 5000 ft. of BQWL core drilling @ \$12.00 per ft. (inclusive of mobilization, demobilization, moves between holds, core boxes, sampling and assaying) \$60,000.00 b. Camp Costs Estimate 400 man days 🕲 \$7.00 per man per day 2,800.00 Engineering and Supervision с. 5,000.00 TOTAL, Stage 2 \$67,800.00

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Stage 1 estimate	\$ 54,050.00
Stage 2 estimate	67,800.00
Adminstration and Contingences	
at approximately 15%	18,000.00
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TOTAL .

Respectfully submitted,

\$139,850.00

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CERTIFICATE

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January 30, 1971.

I, JOHN S. VINCENT, with business and residential address in Vancouver, British Columbia, do hereby certify that:

1. I am a Consulting Mining Geologist.

- I am a graduate of Queen's University, 8. Sc., 1959, Geological
 Sciences, and of McGill University, M. Sc., 1962, Economic Geology.
- 3. I am a Fellow of the Geological Association of Canada, and a member of the Association of Professional Engineers in the Province of British Columbia.
- 4. From 1962 until 1969, I was engaged as Mines Exploration Ceologist with the International Nickel Co. of Can. Ltd. in Thompson, Manitoba.
- 5. The information presented in this report was obtained from reports made available to me from company files, maps obtained from Mr. W. M. Sharp, P. Eng., and from my own observations on the property.
- 6. I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the properties or securities of Conoco Silver Mines Ltd. (N. P. L.), nor do I expect to acquire any such interest.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN S. VINCENT, P.Eng.



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BRUCE	BRUCE	BRUCE	BRUCE	BRUCE	BRUCE	BRUCE	BRUCE	BRUCE		
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27064	27062	27060	27058	27056	2705#	27052	27069	27068		
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27/07	27105	27103	27101	27099	17097	27095	27071	27070		
33	3/	29	27	25	23	21	22	21		
27106	27104	27102	27100	27098	27096	27094	27073	27072		
DENNIS	KEVIN	KEVIN	KEVIN	REVIN	GEORGE	GEORGE	KEVIN	KEVIN		
20	27117	21	20	77/14	4	19458	24	23		
DENNIS	KEVIN	KEVIN	KEVIN	KEVIN	GEORGE	GBORGE	KEVIN	KEVIN		
39	6	5	2	1	2	1	29	30		
27/12	32941	32940	32937	32936	19257	19256	27124	27/25		
DENNIS	KEVIN	KEVIN	KEVIN	Boyes	Boyes	GEORGE	KEUIN	KEVIN		
38	7 31941	4	3 2938	1	3	6	27	28		
27/11	32742	52739	32138	18636	18638	6	27/22	27123		
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27/10	32950	32947	32946	18637	18639	19260	26249	26250		
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36	14	73	10	9	8	18	25	26		
27109	32949	32948	32945	32944	32743	27/13	27/20	27/2/		
DENNIS	DENNIS 13	DENNIS	DENNIS 8	DENNIS	DENNIS	DENNIS				
27/08	27085	27082	2758/	27078	27077	27074				
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