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StratigraphyE. Grid Zone

- As you can see from the map, I believe the stratigraphy @ the E. Grid zone is similar to that present @ the Ridge zone. - with a few twists. I like Mary's mapping here a lot. I just think that she could have joined her outcrops a little differently.

The basal outsa conglomerate^{breccia} rests unconformably on the Hazelton group andesites + augite porphyry. The conglomerate and an overlying rhyolite res have a shallowly dipping to sub-horizontal orientation.

The outcrop pattern suggests that these units are overlain by an F-Porphyry. The best explanation for its occurrence would be that it is a sill.

All of these units are then intruded by an anastomosing^{+ voluminous} series of near vertical B-Porphyry dykes.

Alteration

I believe that the extent of silicification at the E. Grid zone has been exaggerated in the past. Some quartz stringer zones and occasional stockworks^{minor} / breccias do occur but this alteration is certainly not widespread. Even the argillic alteration is very irregular and

Conclusions

The E. Grid zone should certainly be given a lower priority than the Ridge / Pond zones, but should not be written off due to ~~the~~^{its} ~~the~~^{textological} similarity to the Ridge zone. The minor quartz stringer zones may be leaching up from fluids trapped beneath the

F-Porphyry sill. It is possible that Rio's lack of ^{high rock} geochemistry ~~sample values could be~~ is the result of the fluid ^{having} dumped all of its metals below the trap.

RIDGE ZONE SOUTH (see Perimeter mapping sheet #1)

Logan + I did an excellent job of finding trees, swamps + bogs, but we didn't see wd for outcrop. This whole area is a write-off for geological mapping, but looks excellent for BIOGEOCHEM. I think that the old RIO grid would be sufficient for this.

Ridge Zone West (see airophoto overlay BC4281-176)

outsalt. gp. felsic intrusive rocks were located on a ^{small} dome-like airophoto feature next to a banana-shaped swamp. Two outcrops were encountered, one of which (38 WFT-028) closely resembles a typical B-Porphyry. The other ~~is~~ is similar but is composed of >90% phenocrysts and looks like granite. The outcrops are not ^{significantly} altered.

Ridge Zone North/Northwest

- QUARTZ VEIN
- B-PORPH
- F-PORPH
- RHY
- ASH TUFF
- HET. BX.
- ARGILLITE
- AND/DAVA. PORPH.

This area, like many others at Wolf suffers from a severe lack of outcrop, although we were able to greatly expand the areal extent of outsalt. gp. lithologies. most small topographic highs ^{to the north-west} are ^{rock} roche moutonnée (not drumlins) and commonly have small exposures on their up-ice side. Several of these are outsalt. gp. felsic volcanics, while others are Hazelton ^{OP} mafic volcanics.

The ^{poverty} ~~scarceness~~ of the outcrop and ~~lack~~ of topography makes it difficult to determine the relationships between the different units, but many of them ~~are~~ probably ^{have} fault contacts.

No significant mineralization or alteration was encountered.