## SALMON RIVER - M468

REPORT COVERING FOLLOW-UP OF 1977 STREAM DETRITUS SAMPLING IN THE SALMON RIVER AREA

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In October 1977, 20 bulk samples of stream detritus were collected, each separated into 19 fractions, and analyzed for $\mathrm{Cu}, \mathrm{Pb}, \mathrm{Zn}$ and Mo. A microscopic examination of one or more fractions from each sample was carried out.

A preliminary evaluation of the results obtained, indicated sample sites V7 and V8 were highly anomalous in $\mathrm{Cu}, \mathrm{Pb}$ and Zn ; V16 anomalous in Cu ; Vl in Cu and Pb . Scheelite was noted in sample VI as well.

This survey was an initial attempt to determine the reason for the anomalies produced by the above sampling program.

April 14-18 with Jim Chapman
Samples Collected

## Bulk Panned Rock



## RECOMMENDATIONS

Further prospecting should be carried out on:
(1) V8 Creek
(2) The North Memekay River
(3) V1 Creek Fig. 3
(4) Greenstone Creek Upstream from Crown Grants L1215, L1216

## FIELD METHODS

(Fig. 2) Site V7 Creek was sampled and prospected over a length of some 2 miles ( 3.2 km ). The creek cuts through the Parsons Bay Formation (limy argillite member) for the lower $\frac{1}{4}$ mile ( 0.4 km ) of its length. Fractures in the argillite are calcite filled with minor sphalerite, galena, and chalcopyrite in isolated instances.
(Fig. 2) Site $V 8$ Creek was sampled and prospected for the lower mile ( 1.6 km ) which flows along the Parsons Bay Formation. A fossiliferous bed in the argillite is exposed just above the logging road bridge. A specimen was obtained, monotis subcircularis?, and sent to the Geological Survey of Canada for positive identification.

Visible sphalerite was found in a calcite filled fracture in porphyritic andesite float (GL-78-R8). Minor calcite filled fractures in argillite were noted with traces of galena and sphalerite. Coarse breccia float was observed approximately 1 mile ( 1.6 km ) upstream from V8 creek's confluence with the White River.

Site V12 North Memekay River was prospected and sampled for 1.25 miles $(2.0 \mathrm{~km})$. Two very fine gold nuggets were found in a panned sample. Sphalerite, 0.25 inches ( 6 mm ) thick, was found in a rusty coloured fracture in a grey weathered, brecciated cobble some 5 inches ( 125 mm ) in diameter, composed of very fine grained andesitic fragments $\leq 1$ inch $(25 \mathrm{~mm})$ with a coarser grained dioritic matrix.

A pyritized ammonite fossil, found on a logging road 70 feet
(21 meters) above the stream surface, was sent to the Geological Survey of Canada for identification.
(Fig. 1) Site V16 Greenstone Creek was sampled near the upstream boundary of Crown Grant \#1215.




| MAJOR ELEMENTS (\%) | <. 003 | .003-.01 | .01-.03 | .03-0.1 | 0.1-0.3 | 0.3-1.0 | 1.0-3.0 | 3.0-10.0 | > 10.0 | REMARKS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{SiO}_{2}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | X |  |
| $\mathrm{Al}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{3}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | X |  |  |
| Total $\mathrm{Fe}\left(\mathrm{Fe}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{3}\right)$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | X |  |
| MgO |  |  |  |  |  |  | x |  |  |  |
| CaO |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | X |  |
| $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ |  | - |  |  | X |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\mathrm{K}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ |  |  |  | X |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\mathrm{TiO}_{2}$ |  |  |  |  |  | X |  |  |  |  |
| TRACE ELEMENTS (\%) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $v$ |  | X |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cr |  | X |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mn |  |  |  |  | x |  |  |  |  |  |
| Co | $x$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ni | x |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cu |  | x |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Zn |  | X |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| As | x |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sr |  |  | X |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Y | x |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Zr | x |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Nb | X |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mo | X |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ag | x |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sn | 8 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sb | X |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ba |  | X |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| La | X |  |  |  |  | . |  |  |  |  |
| Ce | X |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Pb |  | X |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| $u$ | X |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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Extraction Hot AguaRegia

Method Atomic Absorption

Fraction Used

| SAMPLE NO. | CPA | $Z N$ <br> $P P M$ | $\frac{Z N}{C D}$ |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| GL $-78-\mathrm{R} 5$ | 2.2 | 166 | 75 |
| P15 | 0.2 | 89 | 445 |
| P18 | 1.0 | 245 | 245 |

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## Geochemical Lab Report

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