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HIGHLIGHTS

Staking Activity - (CONFIDENTIAL) Viceroy Resource Corp, headed by well-known BC minefinder Ron Netolitzky, has staked two gold properties in the South-Central Region (180 units) and two or three others in northern BC. The claims were staked by an agent and should be recorded shortly: a deal to option them to a Kelowna-based junior company is said to be in the works. One of the properties covers some very interesting, unexplained regional geochem anomalies which were highlighted in Cathro's "Exploration Highlights and Opportunities" talk at the KEG Conference. (More details to follow once the information is public.) We can expect perhaps \$50,000 to be spent on each of the local properties this coming field season. Viceroy is currently looking for other BC gold prospects to option or stake. They were interested in the Bonanza Basin-Eldorado Basin and one other nearby area until they found out that they were both in the South Chilcotin (Spruce Lake) OIC Protected Area. Unfortunately, this is a very good example of the "opportunity cost" of a park decision.

Financing - Several clients have mentioned that the financing climate has improved markedly in the last few weeks, mainly in response to the price of gold. Additional option deals and financings should be announced soon.

Fir (Commerce Resources Corp) - results released for two more holes drilled last fall, confirming thicknesses and grades of tantalum-niobium-phosphate mineralization, which remains open to the north, south and east. Three holes are still pending.

OTHER

Cathro vacation from May 3-8th.

Reviewed Regional Geologists Report to Technical Liason Committee

Not provided to MDO (TGS)

UPCOMING

May 15-16 - Presentation on mapping and report writing to Prospecting Field School (Oliver) and help lead field mapping exercise.

May 17th - Presentation to Oliver SS Grade 12 geology class on mineral deposits and careers in geology.

May 20 or 21 - In field with Cleve Lowry (Prospector) and Barry Richards (GSC-Calgary) examining carbonates at Adams Lake.

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J&L - visited this underground Zn-Cu-Au-Ag prospect briefly on 7/9 with Tom Schroeter. The gate is down and hasps have been broken off doors on both adits. **This is a significant safety hazard due to the ease of public access and the reported bad air in the workings.**

Silver Lake (Christopher James Gold Corp.) - drilling of 7 holes (approx. 1000 m) has been completed on the **Worldstock** copper prospect. Pervasive sericite-pyrite alteration and quartz-carbonate-sulphide vein stockworks were found in the holes and assays are awaited. Trenching is now underway to find the source of high-grade copper cobbles (to 11% Cu) at the New Discovery area some 5 km west. Drilling is expected within a few weeks. The latter was found in 2000 by Paul Watt during his PAP work. While walking in to his Spider claims, Watt found the two float showings only 200-300 m north of his claim boundary on ground controlled by Christopher James. (visited on 7/11 with Schroeter).

Crazy Fox (aka Demers Creek) - this intriguing massive sulphide Zn-Cu target near Little Fort has been optioned by Cassidy Gold Corp. The main target is only 1.75 km north of the Worldstock copper prospect described above. Cassidy conducted a quick Transient EM survey this week and plans to drill test several blind targets within a few weeks. The property was previously held by Inmet Corp. who conducted a small soil and magnetic survey in 2000 but recently dropped the option for financial reasons. Optionees Lloyd Addie and Bob Bourdon made a quick deal with Cassidy which will give them \$10,000 and 50,000 shares up front, along with future annual payments if the option continues. The target was originally generated by a BCGS till geochemical survey (Bobrowsky et al.) which showed a strong Cu-Zn anomaly near Demers Lake. The initial claims were staked by Addie/Bourdon directly following the till release at KEG in April 1998, and additional claims were added in 1999 and 2000. In part supported by a 1999 PAP grant to Bourdon, the partners have since traced the till anomaly north for over 10 kilometres. The property is underlain by Triassic-Jurassic Nicola(?) volcanics and black shale, and rhyolite of uncertain age. The target is a large, stratiform zinc-copper deposit. (visited on 7/11 with Schroeter)

Verity (Commerce Resources) - minor trenching and road rehab have been conducted on this carbonatite-hosted tantalum-niobium-phosphate deposit located north of Blue River. Soils and mag surveys are underway. Ta-Nb values are reported to occur mainly in the mineral pyrochlore, which can also include uranium and thorium (the rocks were only very weakly radioactive where I tested them with the scintillometer). Depending on the date of completion of Commerce's CDNX listing, drilling of up to 2300 metres will be done this summer on Verity and the similar Fir prospect located about 10-15 km south. Tantalum grades on Verity average about 225 ppm, in the same order of magnitude as existing producers in Australia (300-400 ppm) which supply about 25% of world production. (visited on 7/12 with Schroeter, Madu and Simandl).

Allendale (Santoy Resources) - rock and soil sampling are underway on this very unusual copper-paladium-platinum-gold prospect located at Allendale Lake east of Okanagan Falls. A rock sample taken in Jan 2001 by Adam Travis (while on 2000-2001 PAP grant) ran 926 ppb Pd, 195 ppb Pt, 696 ppb Au and 0.31% Cu from a copper-stained patch of medium grained, light coloured intrusive rock (aplite?) within megacrystic syenite of the Eocene Allendale Lake stock (**CONFIDENTIAL**). Mafic phases occur around the edges of the stock and have not been tested for PGE values yet. Florence Nidderly, Don Sanberg and Tom Carpenter also own claims within and adjacent to the Santoy ground. (visited on 7/5/2001 with Adam Travis, consultant to Santoy)

OTHER EXPLORATION NEWS:

Kap (Tom Carpenter, PAP) - high gold values were identified in stream sediments south of Allendale Lake by Tom Carpenter in his 2000-2001 PAP program. In this year's PAP program he is conducting soils, geophysical surveys and prospecting in an attempt to locate the source of the gold. The area is underlain by Okanagan gneiss, foliated granodiorite and pegmatite. (visited on 7/7) **CONFIDENTIAL**

LD (Lloyd Addie, PAP) - visited on 7/4/2001 with Bobrowsky, Paulen and Madu. Addie is prospecting and till sampling in