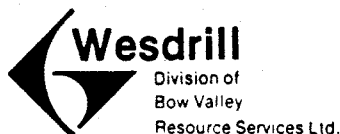


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Western Mines and Tournigan Mining Explorations plan to continue development drilling on their gold/silver properties in the Stewart area of northwestern B.C., following favourable assay results from the 1980 program.

Tournigan president J.N. Hembling says a half million dollar exploration program is planned for the upcoming season on the company's Silver Bar property, on which an option agreement was signed with Outland Resources Corp. early last year. Substantial sampling and geological surveying in 1980 outlined several silver zones with the potential for open pit mining.

Even more promising is the Big Missouri gold/silver property, adjacent to the Silver Bar leases about 12 miles north of Stewart. The property is being developed toward production by Western Mines Ltd., a subsidiary of Brascan, under an option agreement with Tournigan which gives Western a 70% interest in the development.

During the 1980 season Western

completed 44 diamond drill holes and several long trenches, and sampled a number of mineralized zones which are to be drilled this year. The most spectacular assay results were from several trenches put across a new zone in the northern part of the property, known as the Martha Ellen Zone, which averaged 0.25 oz./ton of gold, 1.94 oz./ton of silver, 4.25% lead and 2.14% zinc, with individual samples grading as high as 0.936 oz./ton gold, 4.32 oz./ton silver, 10.6% lead and 5.74% zinc.

The average of the 44 diamond drill holes was 0.101 oz./ton of gold and 1.73 oz./ton silver.

Hembling has estimated the dollar value of Big Missouri ore as exceeding \$100 per ton, and since the property is planned for development as an open pit mine, mining and milling costs in his estimation are unlikely to exceed \$20/ton.

More extensive diamond drilling and underground sampling on both properties will be conducted this summer. □

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