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| From: | Schroeter, Tom EM:EX |
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| Sent: | Friday, October 31, 2003 8:30 AM |
| То: | 'Mike Rasmussen' |
| Subject: | RE: Emanuel Creek Tour |

Yes, I (personally) don't see any problem which would categorily not allow mining at Dusty Mac/Vault. I don't see anything different than you folks operating in the Curlew/Republic district or the Cannon mine at Wennatche. At the Dusty Mac, as you are aware, 19,000oz Au and 325,000oz Ag were recovered from 93,650 tonnes of ore mined by open pit methods during 1975-76. Subsequent exploration focused on the area immediately surrounding and below the open pit; significantly several other very promising targets/zones on the property were either not drilled at all or only very sparsely. And most significantly, I don't believe the local/regional geological and structural setting was well understood, nor the style of epithermal targets. Having said all this, Chris Graf (Ecstall) is having a surface rights (access) problem with a local rancher; however, I'm confident this will be resolved. At the Vault, Inco did a fairly comprehensive expl'n (\$4M, 41,704m in 176 holes)between 1987-1990. Unfortunately, onc again, I don't believe the local/regional geological and structural controld were well understood at that time, nor the types of epithermal targets. During our visit there last week, Ecstall had pulled out several sections of core illustrating many key features of the mineralization and alteration. I spent a fair time on the site when Inco was drilling, and I really appreciated the opportunity to refresh my memory on this property. Looks like Ecstall has also found new (good-lookin') mineralization to the south of previously known/tested mineralization. I still believe there's lots of potential left here, also. In summary, Mike, I believe (if there's a will-there's a way) that this Dusty Mac/Vault project 'play' is real and has significant potential. Good luck ay Emanuel Creek; hope to see you at NWMA in early December.

Tom

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----Original Message----From: Mike Rasmussen [mailto:Mike.Rasmussen@kinross.com] Sent: Friday, October 31, 2003 8:05 AM To: Schroeter, Tom EM:EX Subject: Re: Emanuel Creek Tour

Hello Tom: I want to thank you for being persistent enough to get that tour organized and accomplished. Took some doing. We all enjoyed it on this end, too. It was a very welcome break from the everyday grind, and we all were refreshed to interact with new characters.

I would like to see Ecstall's properties someday, and I have a question about them for you. In your opinion, are mining operations at the Dusty Mac and Vault permittable? I have heard reports negative to that point and wonder about your thoughts on the question. Any comments?

Thanks, Mike Mike Rasmussen, Ph.D. Senior Exploration Geologist Kinross Gold Corporation Kettle River Operations Curlew, WA 509-779-4345 x.113 mike.rasmussen@kinross.com >>> "Schroeter, Tom EM:EX" <Tom.Schroeter@gems6.gov.bc.ca> 10/27/03 16:58 PM >>> Mike - once again - great discussions and u/g tour = BIG "thanks" from all of us. Dan - sorry we missed you. will look forward to seeing you when we return next year for a tour of Emanuel North? By the way, we had a great tour of the Dusty Mac and Vault properties the following day - some striking similarities to your setting. Guess we'll see you, Dan (+/- Mike) at the MEG here in Vancouver on Feb. 11th (if not at Roundup). Good luck with Emanuel Creek. Cheers, Tom Tom Schroeter, P.Eng./P.Geo. Senior Regional Geologist Resource Development Division Ministry of Energy and Mines Direct Telephone 604 660-2812 Messages & Enquiries 604 660-2708 Facsimile 604 775-0313 email tom.schroeter@gems6.gov.bc.ca Autotel 604 662-9091

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From:Schroeter, Tom EM:EXSent:Tuesday, May 20, 2003 11:18 AMTo:Grant, Brian EM:EXCc:McArthur, Gib EM:EXSubject:RE: Acees to Staff Field Notes?

Too bad. Would appreciate someone checking. Thanks.

Tom

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-----Original Message-----From: Grant, Brian EM:EX Sent: Tuesday, May 20, 2003 11:17 AM To: Schroeter, Tom EM:EX Cc: McArthur, Gib EM:EX Subject: Re: Acees to Staff Field Notes?

Tom

As far as I know Neil probably took all his notes with him. I can check when I get back to Victoria but we don't have any archive policy for these notes

Brian

----Original Message----From: Schroeter, Tom EM:EX <Tom.Schroeter@gems6.gov.bc.ca> To: Grant, Brian EM:EX <Brian.Grant@gems8.gov.bc.ca> CC: McArthur, Gib EM:EX <Gib.McArthur@gems1.gov.bc.ca> Sent: Tue May 20 11:08:04 2003 Subject: Acees to Staff Field Notes?

Gentlemen, Chris Graf (Ecstall Mining, who have just finished drilling at Dusty Mac) asked me about gaining access to Neil Church's field notes dealing his White Lake Basin project (s), in the Okanagan Falls area. Are these 'available' back in our Library and, if so, what is the correct procedure for accessing them? Perhaps it's simply a matter of the 'proponent' making arrangements with the Library?

Tom

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| From: | Cathro, Mike EM:EX |
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| Sent: | Friday, July 26, 2002 2:32 PM |
| То: | Adams, Rick EM:EX |
| Cc: | Britton, Jim; Brown, Derek; Grant, Brian EM:EX; Lefebure, Dave; Logan, Jim EM:EX; |
| | Ludwig, Allan; Madu, Bruce; McArthur, Gib; Schroeter, Tom; Simandl, George EM:EX; |
| | Smith, Don; David Terry; Houle, Jacques; Lane, Bob; Wojdak, Paul |
| Subject: | Cathro weekly to 7/25/02 |

HIGHLIGHTS

Fir (Commerce Resources Corp) - Two holes out six have been drilled on this carbonatite-hosted tantalum-niobium deposit located north of Blue River. The drill program is designed to double the current resource of 5.2 million tonnes grading 194 g/t Ta2O5, 897 g/t Nb2O5, and 3.5% P2O5. Approx. 1000 m drilling is planned, budgeted at \$150K. Visual results appear consistent with previous work. On-site geologists note some localized radioactivity in the core, and uranium and thorium are being routinely analysed for. (visited 7/24)

Exploration Activity - A good, upbeat article on mineral exploration activity in the South-Central region appeared in the Kamloops Daily News on July 15th. It was based on an early July interview with Cathro (not quoted directly, as requested by Communications Branch) and mentions many of our local projects and clients such as DRC, Abacus, J-Pacific, Cassidy, Navasota, Lateegra, Walloper, Almaden and Teck Cominco. A copy of the article is attached here. We now estimate there will be about \$6 million in spending and 40,000 m of drilling this year.

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OTHER FIELD VISITS

SI (Leo Lindinger) - On 7/23 I attempted to find this poorly described, carbonate-hosted (skam, vein or manto-style?) zinc-lead-silver prospect (MF 82M 230) which sits on a <u>very steep hillside</u> overlooking the Raft River near Clearwater. Although the correct host rocks were found, no mineralization could be located. A "football-sized" float sample collected by Lindinger during his 2001-2002 PAP program assayed 33% Zn, 16.45% Pb and 490 g/t Ag - nice grades if tonnage can be developed! No drilling or trenching has ever been done here although some decent soil anomalies were defined by Cominco in 1981.

TM

North Thompson Flagstone (Brent McEwen) - hand mining of a flagstone bulk sample has begun on several sites along the North Thompson Forest Service Road located north of Blue River. McEwen is mining micaceous quartzite in attractive shades of grey, brown, green and pinkinsh white. The rocks are part of the Lower Kaza Group, a subdivision of the Windermere Supergroup. Slabs up to 1 m by 1 m by 2 cm thick can be easily removed at the MS 1 claim. Although McEwen plans to widen the road in several spots and create larger working areas by bulldozer. (visited 7/24)

EXPLORATION AND MINING NEWS

Afton (DRC Resources Corp.) - DRC has raised \$2.1 million giving it cash on hand of about \$5 million.

Highland Valley Copper - Teck Cominco reported a \$9 million second quarter profit on revenues of \$65 million for its 63.9% interest in the mine. Production was up by 9% due to higher throughput.

Zeo (Zeo-Tech Enviro Corp.) - Gordon Webster named mine manager of this Princeton-area zeolite project. He says that a pad has been flattened and a crushing plan has been ordered.

Blackdome (J-Pacific Gold) - staked 350 units south of the mine.

Dusty Mac (Ecstall Mining Corp.) - 10 holes totalling 2000 m are planned for this past producing epthermal gold prospect near Okanagan Falls. The company recently raised \$150,000 through a financing with Viceroy Resources.

Tulameen (Brightstar/Network Gaming) - BJP claims (34 units) bought by the JV.

Tophat - Jo Shearer has staked this intriguing gold prospect located at Blustery Mountain, west of Ashcroft. Ground and airborne surveys were run in 1984-87 and outlined an Au in soil anomaly (to 470 ppb, along with coincident Ag-As-Cu-