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On July 3, 1996 I visited the Eholt copper-gold skarn prospect 12km northeast of Greenwood. Greg Thomson, Teck Corp, who is drilling the property under a 40/60 joint venture with Orvana Minerals Corp., very kindly displayed core at the Claude Bergeron drilling shop in Greenwood and toured me around on the Rambler and Dead Honda showings. John Kemp, local prospector and '96-'97 PAA grantee, was also present (vendor of the Bear claims which Teck has optioned under an earlier agreement and adjoin the Eholt claims on the north). Teck's '96 budget is \$100,000. At the time of my visit 5 drill holes had been completed near the boundary of the Bear claims and the Eholt 2 claim, a short distance NW of the Ramber showing (incl. a 30m shaft). A further 5 holes are planned to test a 1.5 km long by 200-300m wide northerly-trending anomaly which extends northwards from the Dead Honda showing, located on the Eholt 1 claim. The recent drilling intersected bedded skarn consisting of pyrite, pyrrhotite, chalcopyrite mineralization in garnet plus diopside and minor tremolite. Locally, intense brecciation was observed in the core. The skarn has been crosscut by post-mineral Coryell syenite dikes. Late-stage (light blue) chalcedony ± jasper veinlets (see photos)also crosscut skarn. They may be related to the younger Tertiary extensional (graben) event and/or intrusion of the Middle Eocene Coryell Intrusions? Between the Dead Honda showings (1994 and 1995 drilling by Orvana) and the Rambler showing and 1996 Teck drilling, a topographic "hill" (resistant skarn?) will also be drilled.