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Marmot. San Telmo Resources (Chris Dyakowski) has proposed a 10-hole diamond drill program on the Thor-Marmot group of claims, located at the headwaters of Menard Creek in the McConnell Range. Marmot has been described as Cu-Au porphyry/porphyry-related and shear-hosted occurrence.

Morehead Creek. Big Valley Resources has begun diamond drilling a gold anomaly on its Morehead Creek project, 3 km south of the QR gold mine and also has completed soil sampling surveys on the **Jacobie West** and **Morehead South** projects, properties that host copper-gold porphyry systems.

Mosquito Creek. International Wayside has outlined a 10 to 20-hole (4500 m) surface diamond drilling program that will test ground below the past producing gold mine.

Mt. Milligan. Placer Dome plans a 3-hole diamond drill program near the deposit for geotechnical purposes.

Spruce, Pil and Atty. Electrum Resources (John Barakso) has submitted NoW for 3 projects in the Toadogone region.

PROSPECTORS ASSISTANCE

Spent one and one-half days (July 7-8) with **Dave** and **Catherine Ridley**, PA grantees, examining showings on their claims and looking at samples that have been collected from their regional prospecting program. They are focusing on Au vein and Au-Cu porphyry related targets.

Spent the better part of a day with **Gary Lee**, PA grant recipient, and his partner **Dave Hayward**, reviewing work conducted on their **Nina** and **Jackaroo** properties located north-northwest of **Germansen Landing**. Both claims are potential hosts to VMS style mineralization

Serpentinite-listwanite exposures in recent roadcuts south of the Blackwater River were examined with **Bert Struik** (GSC) and **Dan Hora** (GSB-Victoria). **Bill Poole**, a consultant for **Finlay Forest Products** who is harvesting in the area, reported the new exposures 6 weeks ago and was our guide into the area. The margins of the serpentinite bodies have potential for jade, talc and listwanite-associated gold. Watch for soft shoulders!

OTHER

Attended joint GSC/GSB NATMAP field meeting, led by **Bert Struik**, and examined bedrock exposures in the **Tezzeron Lake** to **Sinkut Mountain** area, mainly **Cache Creek Group** rocks in the **Fort St. James** area and **Vanderhoof Gniess** complex south of **Vanderhoof**.

Examined several new exposures of altered **Takla Group** volcanic rocks within the **Kemess powerline corridor** south of the mine development. Grab samples of pyritic and weakly propylitized andesitic volcanics from the **14J** access road (at about km-377 on the **ORAR**) have been submitted for analysis.

John Newell has been secured as external editor for the **EXPLORATION IN BC** volume that will be printed for distribution at the 1998 **Cordilleran Roundup**.

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