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Mineral Exploration Activity:

SYMC Port Alberni Area Macktush/Dauntless Cu-Au-Ag Projects Update: Assistance provided to Herb McMaster of SYMC with deficiencies in Notice of Work applications for multiple exploration and bulk sampling projects; Nanoose-based mineral exploration consultant David Pawliuk (ex-BHP with Vancouver Island porphyry experience) introduced to Herb and the projects to possibly help with exploration work.

Beau Pre Sooke Area Valentine Mountain Au Project Update: Bob Beaupre is raising more exploration funding through private placements using flowthrough shares.

- Boliden-Westmin Campbell River Area Myra Falls Cu-Zn-Au-Ag Operation Update: [vor McWilliams, Chief Geologist, indicated that although year-end reserves are not yet publicly available they are complete and awaiting corporate blessings, and show that the mine successfully replaced its mined reserves and mineral resources through definition/exploration drilling, and data re-interpretation; the mine is still scheduled to re-open on March 4, pending receipt of a go-ahead from the president of the company, who visited the operation in early February.
- Better Resources Courtenay Area Mt. Washington Project Update: Cliff Rennie of Better submitted what appears to be a sample of porphyritic mafic intrustive from a recent forestry roadcut through the Oyster Breccia.
- Leader Mining Hope Area Cogburn Mg Project Update: Press release issued February 13 with list of selected project contractors and consultants (16 in all) whose interim mandate will be to complete a feasibility study by mid-December, 2002.

Government/Ministry Activity:

- Exploration and Mining in B.C. 2001: Most final papers posted on ministry Orchid I:drive, including 4 of 5 Part A papers from Regional Geologists; and all 4 industry plus 1 of 3 government papers for Part B; first draft of Foreward complete, edited and awaiting feedback; everything looking good for desktopping deadline of February 22.
- Springwood Middle School (Parksville) Geology Presentation: Presentation in preparation for a 1 hour outline of local geology to a grade 6 french immersion class, scheduled for February 20.
- Vancouver Island Introductory Prospecting Courses: Tentative plans in progress to hold a few introductory prospectors courses throughout Vancouver Island in the spring/summer.

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<u>Prospectors Assistance Grants:</u>

Murray McClaren (P.11): Planned visit on October 5 to this alleged new gabbroid Cu-Ni+/-PGE discovery near Harrison Lake; Murray's analyses pending at this time, but should be available for review by the data of

Mikkel Schau (P.95): Planned visit by Mikkel to Nanaimo office on Sept. 18, with subsequent joint visits to

Ed McCrossan (P.35): Planned visit by Ed to Nanaimo office on Sept.18, with subsequent joint visits to be planned to former Island Copper Mine site and Tahish Inlet work area.

David Haughton (P.7): Joint visit to Giant Mascot with David, Robert Pinsent and Tom Schroeter scheduled Other Clients:

Robert Duker & Daryl Clark: Visit scheduled on October 3-4 to this alleged new porphyry Cu-Au-Mo

Rick Strong & Jim Dyck: Notified of alleged new gabbroic Cu-Ni+/-PGE discovery in outcrop beyond original DS claims - tentative visit planned to coincide with approved trenching program at forestry quarry on DS claims, alleged site of spectacular chalcopyrite mineralization strewn along local forestry roads.

Better Resources: Completed visit September 14 with Greg Carriere and Cliff Rennie, President of Better, to the Mount Washington Property, including tours of the Portal, South Pit, North Pit and Domineer areas; very impressive, both flat-lying (detachment fault-hosted?) and steeply-dipping (feeder veins?) high sulphidation type epithermal mineralization was seen and selectively sampled; the porphyry type mineralization was observed as well; no work is planned by Better Resources other than resolving

Geoscape Nanaimo: In progress of inviting all local geologists and prospectors to initial planning meeting for Geoscape Nanaimo project, headed by Maggie McColl of Malaspina University College in Nanaimo. Ministry Items:

- Nu-Chal-Nuth Aboriginal Claims Project: Completed mineral potential and related access review of areas along the west coast of Vancouver Island selected by Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs to be offered as settlement lands to Nu-Chal-Nuth First Nations, along with David Eriksen (MEM) and Dorthe Jakobsen.
- Strathcona Park Compensation Project: Completed visit to selected properties located within Strathcona Park, along with Ron Quilter (BC Parks), Kristy Emery (MEM) and Bruce Reid; selected samples obtained for rock library from Sherwood, Della and Big I properties, consisting of quartz vein and skarn mineralization.
- Prospectors Tent / Prospectors Showcase Roundup 2001: Missed conference call due to Strathcona Park trip, but received/reviewed agenda and action items as a member of planning committee; have begun
- Sea to Sky GeoHazards Review: No progress on this lingering request from Dorthe, due to other projects. Jacques Houle, P.Eng.

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