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**Prospectors Assistance Program:**

- **Gary Thompson P.14 Sooke Area Soog/Brenda Cu-Ni-PGE Projects Update:** After working on Coal Bed Methane projects in the US for most of the year, Gary is planning to complete his PAP project fieldwork in the Sooke area next week; tentative plans made to meet Gary on Tuesday, Dec.11 for a property visit.

**Mineral Exploration Activity:**

- **Beaupre Explorations Sooke Area Valentine Mountain Au Quartz Vein Project Update:** Sampling of surface trench by A. Kikauka on 'D' Vein in Discovery West area of Valentine Mountain Project allegedly yielded 2.9 opt Au over ~0.5m.
- **C.R.C. Exploration Cowichan Lake Area Nitnat Polymetallic Vein / Skarn Au-Cu-Pb-Zn Project Update:** Preliminary visit completed Dec.6 with owner Craig Payne to Nitnat Project, which covers the Goldex showing MINFILE 092C150; a 7 dhd, 1000 m. diamond drilling program is scheduled to begin Dec.8 to test numerous geochemistry and/or geophysical anomalies; a second site visit is planned towards the end of the drilling program, probably in early January after the Christmas break; Craig will provide a summary report on the property over the next week or so.
- **SYMC Resources Port Alberni Area Macktush/Dauntless Porphyry/Skarn/Vein Cu-Mo-Au Project Update:** Exploration planning meeting held Dec.5 with president Herb McMaster at Nanaimo Mines Branch office; stripping, trenching, mapping, chip sampling and bulk sampling (up to 10,000 tonnes) from up to 6 parallel E-W trending Chalcopyrite-Quartz-Calcite Skarn Veins on the Dauntless prospect MINFILE 092F168 planned for early 2002, to be trucked (or barged) to Port Alberni and shipped directly to the Sumitomo smelter in Japan; shallow diamond drilling of the skarn veins consisting of up to 1000 m. in 20 holes also planned for the Dauntless; follow-up meeting scheduled for Dec.20-21 to plan bulk sampling and drilling for David and Fred veins and a possible pilot mill at the Macktush prospect MINFILE 092F012; notices of work will be submitted by Herb in January.
- **Leader Mining Harrison Lake Area Cogburn Magmatic Mg Project Update:** Diamond drilling of up to 3 near-surface, bulk-target areas of massive peridotite with 2 drills on the Cogburn property nearing completion, consisting of 24 holes of 50-150m. each (~2500m. total); apparently some holes cut almost pure dunite at depth, suggesting sub-horizontal magmatic segregation; recent press release (Dec.2) announced results from 80 surface samples of the ultramafic bodies which yielded an average of 26% Mg and low levels of deleterious elements such as Ca, Fe, S and B; subsequent press release (Dec.6) announced Leader's appointment of a senior advisory group for the project; this is arguably a new discovery if the project is deemed economic.
- **Priority Ventures Courtenay Area Dove Creek Coal Bed Methane Project Update:** Pending receipt of a permit from MEM's Oil and Gas Commission, Priority intends to begin drilling 4 test wells for CBM at Dove Creek; Note: this project will not be including in regional statistics since it is targeting energy and not minerals/coal.
- **Meager Creek Development Corp. Pemberton Area Geothermal Power Project Update:** Meager Creek will shortly commence drilling 3, 1200 m. holes to test for geothermal gradients at this former B.C. Hydro project site; \$120,000 has been spent in 2001 on magneto telluric surveys, and the current phase 1 of the project is expected to cost \$1.4 million; Note: this project also will not be included in regional statistics since it is targeting energy.
- **555 Corporate Ventures Northern Texada Island Area Project Update:** 555 Corporate has apparently returned to continue (questionable?) exploration activity in northern Texada Island, and has engaged consultant John Carniel of

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**Prospector Assistance Grant Activity:**

- **2001 Program Status:** Although lower volume of applications were received this year for the entire province. the number for the Southwest Region is slightly up to about 30 from 26 last year; 18 applications have been received in Nanaimo from Victoria so far, with evaluations to begin today; several applicants have visited and/or contacted the Regional Geologist for assistance in preparing their applications, planning their field programs, and/or requesting a reference: Dan Blower, Paul Demontigny, Dan Epp, Jim Hutter, Murray McClaren, Dave McLelland, Dave Pauliuk, Mikkel Schau, and Rick Strong.

**Mineral Exploration Activity:**

- Nit Nat* • **C.R.C. Explorations Ltd. Lake Cowichan Area Nit Nat Property:** Craig Payne of Crest Geological has submitted a notice of work on behalf of C.R.C. Explorations to complete gridding, soil sampling and about 1000 m. of drilling in 7 diamond drill holes to test co-incident Cu,Pb,Zn,Au geochemical and magnetic/chargeability geophysical anomalies for possible skarn mineralization in Vancouver Group rocks; timing of the project is likely late summer or early fall, pending other commitments.
- Dragon* • **Specogna Gold River Area Dragonfly Property:** Nanaimo prospector Efreem Specogna has submitted a notice of work to complete several short diamond drill holes in late May to test for either Cu-Zn-Au-Ag VMS or Tholeiitic intrusion-hosted Cu-Ni-PGE mineralization or on his Dragonfly property, located west of Gold River on Vancouver Island.
- DS* • **Strong/Dyke Jordan River Area DS Property:** Visit completed on April 25 by Regional Geologist along with Garry Payie of the Victoria Office to re-excavated site of old forestry pit, which had previously exposed spectacular quartz-chalcopyrite mineralization; pit partially dewatered exposing 2 styles of mineralization hosted in Metchosin mafic volcanics, consisting of:
  - Quartz-Chalcopyrite-Chalcocite-Bornite stockwork veining averaging about 3% Cu over at least 2 m. width, containing
  - Massive Pyrrhotite-Chalcopyrite (about 50/50 = about 15% Cu) mineralization in a small (0.1m) pod within the stockworkSeveral samples were taken from the site, including a 2 m. chip sample of the stockwork, and selected high grade samples of each of the two styles of mineralization; the clients were advised to expand the pit beneath the adjacent road to further expose the subcropping mineralization in order to establish its orientation and dimensions; a new Minfile occurrence will be documented at this site, pending receipt of analyses and completion of additional staking planned by the stakeholders, Rick Strong and Jim Dyke; The stakeholders are looking for geological consulting expertise at this time.
- **Hamilton Jordan River Area Rocky 10 Property:** Visit completed on April 25 by J.Houle and G.Payie to a massive quartz-muscovite-limonite vein hosted in Cretaceous Leech River Schists; the vein is exposed on a hillside over a 10 by 30 m. area, sometimes with attractive red and/or yellow colouring through the quartz; the stakeholder Derrick Hamilton intends to submit a notice of work application to extract a bulk sample of the quartz vein for test marketing through a acquaintance in Victoria; samples were taken for trace element and whole rock analyses.
- **Rooke/Oshust Port Renfrew Area Rayman et.al. Property:** Visit completed on April 26 by J.Houle to forestry quarries on the clients' mineral claims, where narrow quartz-pyrite-chalcopyrite veins cut Leech River Schists and Tertiary diorite sills (or possible altered metagreywackes); a sample of a mineralized quartz vein, and one from the sill (gwke?) units were taken for trace element analyses; the stakeholders, Norm Rooke of Duncan and Ray Cshust of Port Renfrew are looking for geological consulting expertise at this time.
- **Dimension Stone / Industrial Mineral Projects:**
  - IMS* • **Stellar Stone Kelly Island Property:** 15,000 tpy granite quarry permit application submitted by Jim Cairns.
  - **Tilbury Cement Texada Island Davies Bay Property:** 10,000 tonne limestone bulk sample notice of work