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Subject: Week in Review - May24th

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Gertrude
Novelty

Permitting:

- Very quiet wee. We only received 2 MX NoW's. Referred out 1 MX application. Issued 3 CX permit amendments (Line Creek).
- Traveled to Victoria for an on-line permitting meeting.
 - Invigilated an underground shiftboss exam (Mike Bapty)

Geology:

Viewed core from the lowest part of the Sullivan Deeps SD2 drill hole. The nature of the Sullivan horizon intercept (0.8m of sulphides, mainly pyrrhotite) is very disappointing given the build-up and the apparently strong indicators of major sulphide mineralization at the target depth. It's not necessarily the end of the program, but we can't expect any further activity until fall. Stikine personnel will be focusing on the Max Mo and Foremore projects (Roca Mines). The wedge drilling from SD1 will probably not be resumed.

Reviewed a package of proposed wildlife habitat areas for Coeur d'Alene salamander in the West Kootenays.

A proposed WHA in the Brewery Creek (Wildhorse tributary) for flammulated owl will be withdrawn, based on objections from mineral tenure holder Andrew Molnar. I attempted to find a compromise, but none was possible, so WLAP staff agreed to drop the proposal.

Public/client assists: approximately 15, 5 office, 10 phone

Attended second meeting in the Kootenays put on by Norm Ringstad, BCYCM contractor, with respect to the draft Best Management Practices for MX. Tone of the meeting in Cranbrook was more positive than the one in Nelson last week. Definite consistencies between the two meetings on the need for an abbreviated, pocket version of the BMPs, as well as the need to find a new name for the BMPs.

Geoff's comments re Cline Mining were in the Cranbrook paper Thursday (CP story).

Hillsborough appear to be in holding pattern, but will perhaps withdraw their small mine application for Bingay in favour of a EA-scale proposal (pers. comm., Dave Bazowski). One factor is the attractiveness of some of the company's newly acquired Northeast BC properties - Bingay could conceivably be shelved in favour of more attractive site(s).

* Drilling on Red Mtn. in Rossland (Golden Chalice Resources) has apparently returned some attractive Mo-bearing rock (Gertrude-Novelty property).

The hot ticket item this year is definitely molybdenum - e.g. Max, Sphinx (Eagle Plains), Red Mtn., Jersey-Emerald (Sultan) and others.

Health and Safety

Three DO's this week (one geotechnical - partially buried shovel at Greenhills. Runaway truck at FRO; Water truck stood up on rear end when hydraulic valve malfunctioned.) No injuries.