

*Prime Resources will spend \$6 million on exploration, some outside B.C., but mostly in the Iskut region. The Chopin property has been acquired, east of Snip mine.

1) *Rock and Roll drill results rumoured to be sufficiently encouraging to resume drilling in mid-summer.

*Isk Wollastonite drilling mid-July to mid-August.

*Bronson Slope drilling is underway. The company plans to complete its Project Report for the EA process by late summer.

Watson Liard

*WL (Watson Liard) drilling is underway by KRL Resources Corp. The target is a magnetic conductor with coincident gold soil anomaly on the Tintina fault near Watson Lake. Only the southern tip of the conductor extends into B.C. Possible deposit targets are epithermal gold (Grew Creek), VMS (Wolverine) or sedex.

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(SPOCORA)*

*Harmony mineable resources estimated at 31 million tonnes grading 2.05 g/t Au at a 1.2 g/t cutoff (2,062,000 oz of gold) plus a lower grade resource of 17 million tonnes grading 0.99 g/t Au (541,000 oz). One development scenario is 7500 tpd. In-fill drilling, geotechnical, environmental, metallurgical and process engineering studies are being planned.

*Westmin Resources expects to complete an agreement with a junior company on the Bennett gold project near Atlin.

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*Underground drilling at New Polaris (32 holes, about 5200 m in 1997) continues to add gold ounces to the resource inventory. Completion of mine de-watering is expected in June and shaft access is to be achieved below the Polaris level. Data review and site visits are being conducted by six senior and intermediate gold mining companies with a view to bringing in a senior partner to develop New Polaris to production.

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*New Zymoetz copper-gold porphyry, owned by prospectors Robin Day and Larry Hewitt will be examined by Placer Dome, Noranda, Kennecott, Eldorado Gold and Hudson Bay.

OFFICE ACTIVITIES

*Complete certificates for Gitnayow prospecting course.

*Adjust scores to two Prospector Assistance applications. Complete other P.A. paperwork.

*Preparation for Minerals North (organize session chairs), prepare/give opening remarks for Hans Smit.

*Prepare EA review comments on Telkwa Coal project.

*Comments on "below threshold NoW's" submitted to regional manager.

*Review activities of Regional Geology in Northwest region with Charles Kang.

*Review/edit Northwest mineral land use strategy paper and write section on current exploration.

grade gold intersections have been discovered. The Serpentine zone, a Y-vein system, has been traced 200 m horizontally, 75 m vertically and remains open. D zone is a new "junction arc" which links north-trending Y veins with the southeast trending AB vein system. Drilling is now underway on the Polaris level which has been rehabilitated. Down holes targeting the 150 level are said to be encountering excellent results. De-watering of lower levels is in progress. Successful resolution of a two year old claim dispute on the north boundary clears the way to continue exploration of the North zone.

***Harmony Gold** presentation by Tara Case (Misty Mountain Gold) at Rock Talk did not contain any sections showing correlation of dilational veins. This may imply that vein correlation and/or gold grade continuity is poor and that the resource is still best considered as an open pit (rather than underground) deposit. The deposit has a high resistivity, low magnetic signature. The deepest hole drilled on the property remained in gold mineralization to the end (474 metres at -45°). Separate discussion with other explorationists suggest that mercury is not analyzed in Misty Mountain's program, and that metallurgical difficulties (silica encapsulation of gold and high carbon content) are most prevalent within the top 60 metres of the Specogna deposit.

***Bronson Slope** presentation by David Yeagher (International Skyline) at Rock Talk included pit parameters of 50° pit slope and strip ratio of 0.5 - 1.0 (originally the company projected that all material would be processed in the mill as ore).

***Rock and Roll** drilling began in late March by Redstar Resource Corp. to extend ~~exhalative~~ mineralization in the Black Dog zone, estimated to contain 580,000 tonnes grading 0.6% Cu, 0.8% Pb, 3.1% Zn, 336 g/t Ag, 2.4 g/t Au. Pamicon Developments Ltd. is managing a 6,000 ft program testing strike extension primarily to the south. Northerly projection extends onto other claims.

*Cominco has staked about 100 (?) claim units in response to GSB releases in the north Gataga sedex zinc-lead district, confirming confidential information received at Roundup. Additional claims have been staked by a prospector/promoter in the Horseranch emerald play.

OFFICE ACTIVITIES

*Attend excellent SExG presentation by Tony L'Orsa on Dome Mountain gold deposit on March 19 (30 present). Current property status: negotiations are near-final (?) for DMR Resources Limited, a Calgary company to settle the \$900,000 debt incurred by Timmins Nickel that is owed to local contractors (rumoured to be at \$.35 on the dollar). DMR Resources is the evolved name of Teeshin → Habsburg → Dome Mountain Resources → DMR Resources Limited. This could allow renewed work on the property in 1997.

***Minerals North** conference organization meeting in Houston on March 13. Bill Myckatyn (President and CEO, Princeton Mining) and Charles Kang (Deputy Minister, MEI) confirmed banquet speakers. All but one technical and non-technical session speakers confirmed. Houston high school involvement being developed.

***Telkwa Coal** Open House (March 25, 26) an exceptionally well planned and comprehensive display. An outstanding profile for Manalta Coal. About 100-120 people attended a Q and A session chaired by Norm Ringstad (EA office). A strident minority(?) of participants raised local citizenry participation on the EA-Telkwa

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