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## INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

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TO: (see below)

Subject: Activity Report Jan08-12

Explore B.C.

Two more Final Reports came in and were reviewed:

A32 Bralorne/Bralorne-Pioneer Gold Mines. qualifies for full grant of \$48,300

M114 Taseko/Westpine Metals Ltd Qualifies for a grant of \$16,702, a saving of \$18,736 from the approved grant of \$35,438.

So far 11 Final reports have been received from a total of 65 remaining active grants. (10 grants have been declined.) Total offered was 75. Deadline for final Reports is Feb29.

Prospectors Assistance

8 PA Final Reports were received and approved bringing the total received so far to 25 from a total of 63 active grants. Deadline for Final Reports is Jan 31.....final rush is on the way!!

The initiative to support prospectors attending Roundup is in the hands of BC&YCM .Our contribution, notices etc all went out before Christmas

A PA poster for Roundup is being prepared by D Jakobsen ..many thanks Dorthe!

Prospectors Training

An outline has been received from EKCM( R.Walker) for the IM course. I passed it to Danni Hora for review and comments. Will respond to R.W asap.

Other Activities

Attended my first Professional Practice Committee meeting for APEGBC in Vancouver Jan 03.

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Subject: Weekly Report

### Issues:

\*Final prep of 1995 review article should go to B Grant today.

\*Prosperity project rumoured to have gotten a big NO on their fish habitat compensation plan from DFO (from Art O'Bryan)

\*Discovery of a new copper zone at Afton - between Pothook and the Coq. Highway (from Fred Daley). Only 5 holes into it now.

\*Fossil sites in K-LRMP being reviewed by BC Paleontological Alliance for Sept. decision. Unlikely that they will want many protected.

\*Bentonite - Dan Hora and I visited Chuck Marlow's new bentonite occurrence near Afton. It looks interesting and is the only Na bentonite showing in the province - the rest are mainly Ca. Good location for engineering uses at city dump, pulp mill and Afton.

\*Now received for drilling 15 holes at Westpine's Taseko property.

\*Fieldwork paper - met with Robin W. to get this going - he is writing up local geology, geochron, geochem etc.

\*Vacation - I'm off June 17-21.

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# INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

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Subject: Monthly Report to Sept 6/96

#### HIGHLIGHTS:

Interest is high for the upcoming Eagle Bay field trip being led by Vic Preto, Peter Bobrowsky, Steve Sibbick, Trygve Hoy and myself. So far 55 people have signed up for 40 spots. We will try to accommodate everyone by splitting into two groups.

Lac La Hache porphyry Cu-Au project. The recent takeover of Regional Resources by Imperial Metals should benefit this project due to Imperial's experience with Mt. Polley.

DOT claims, Highland Valley. Prospector Larry Ovington tells me that optionee Alhambra Resources has intersected some interesting (new?) bornite-rich hypogene porphyry mineralization in a recently completed drill program. Larry spotted several successful holes for them by witching! The property was previously known to host a small resource of oxide mineralization.

Pellaire (Int. Jaguar Equities). E. Mehr visited the property and reports that mining is underway and that the bridge work on the access road is nearing completion. The contractor is VERY frustrated with the hassles provided by Forests with regard to the road. It is planned that 1000 to 1200 tonnes of high grade gold ore will be trucked out before the snow starts to pile up.

Ajax mine to close in June '97 with layoffs beginning in December. Mine geologist Scott Smith told me that, so far, they have backfilled the Ajax East pit with 7 million tonnes of waste from the West pit. This could be a good reclamation story to promote.

Similco mine to shut in December due to low copper prices. A 40K ft drill program is underway on the Alabama zone to locate new millfeed that can be produced at \$0.80 per pound copper.

Elk (Siwash North Mine). Aurizon Mines comleted their due diligence on this gold project and announced they will NOT proceed with furthur work. Andy Smith, VP of Exploration advised us that Fairfield's ore reserve estimate was fine; the problem was the ground conditions. Fairfield announced the discovery of a new vein similar to the North vein.

Sapphires at Taseko Lake? Westpine Metals consultant Ellen Lambert says GSB geologists George Simandl and Kirk Hancock were beside themselves over the bluish black corundum on Westpine's Taseko property during a recent visit. I'm looking forward to hearing more from George and Kirk.

### FIELDWORK:

Visited Mariko and Golden Eagle properties north of Shuswap Lake with L. and M. Lutjen, PAP grantees. Soil sampling and prospecting are underway.