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discontinuous, generally narrow (<1 m to 2.4 m) zones of mineralization with low to moderate gold grades (1 - 19 g/t Au).

Chaco Bear. Imperial Metals is very bullish on their Cu-Ag-Au porphyry-related prospect, also located west of Bear Lake.

Cutoff (Trout), Holy Cross and Laidman. Phelps Dodge has submitted NoW for programs on three gold properties in the Nechako Plateau. A 7-hole diamond drill program will test the vein system on the Laidman epithermal vein property. A 4-hole diamond drill program will investigate the difficult epithermal vein system on the Cutoff property.

DL and Jaw. Cyprus Canada will be conducting grassroots exploration programs on two properties that it staked to cover elevated gold concentrations in lake sediments. The anomalies arose from a regional lake sediment survey of the NE quadrant of the Fort Fraser map area (NTS 93K) conducted by Steve Cook (GSB) in 1995.

Domin. Estimated expenditures are expected to be in the \$300,000 - \$400,000 range. Gold City Mining has submitted a NoW that includes up to 20 ddh, trenching, mapping and sampling.

Elf and Fluke. Teck Exploration, on behalf of property owner, Cirque Operating Company, will proceed with soil sampling and mapping on the Elf and Fluke properties in the Gataga district.

Jean. A 30-hole, \$500,000 program is planned for Continental Copper's Jean Cu-Au porphyry prospect, located approx. 10 km south of Tchentlo Lake. Ragnar Bruaset is the project geologist.

Tass. Lucero Resources plans a prospecting, mapping and soil geochemical sampling program on the Tass 1-9 claims, west of Bear Lake.

Welbar. Gold City Mining Corporation has divided their Welbar property into 7 project areas. From NW to SE they are the Coulter, Downey, Richfield, Williams, Angus, Mariner, and Cathedral projects. The collective exploration budget for these projects is about \$1 million.

OTHER

The RGS release will take place on July 10th from Energy and Minerals Division offices in Prince George and Vancouver. Provided Wayne Jackaman with a list of companies that plan to be active this year in the Toodoggone River and/or McConnell Creek mapsheets in order to help promote the release

April staking in the region included: 98 two-post claims in the 93H/04E by International Wayside Gold Mines; 48 two-post claims by Murray Morrison that cover the Noble chalcocite-quartz vein showing south of Fort St. James; additional staking in the Nina Lake area by Gary Lee and partner Dave Hayward, and; 18 two-post claims in the Mt. Olson area (93N/12W, 13W).

Applied Mine Technologies, partner Gold City Mining and International Wayside Gold Mines have entered into a Geoscience Partnership Agreement with the Geological Survey Branch to support a project in the Wells-Barkerville gold camp in 1997-1998. Chris Ash (GSB) is the project leader.

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