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Sultan Minerals has withdrawn early from its initial drilling program at the **True Blue** property at Kaslo. This impressive, high grade, Cu/Zn/Pb/Au/Ag/Co v.m.s. showing in the Millford Group had been drilled previously (one hole) without extending the zone. Re-examination of the structural setting by Tryg Hoy and others had suggested that the previous hole had been mis-directed and had ignored a strong lineation developed in the host stratigraphy. Sultan's limited initial program was designed to test the down-lineation direction from the showing with a fan of three holes from one set-up. The first hole (I visited while it was in progress on July 9th) intersected nothing of interest. Subsequent downhole geophysics failed to signal any nearby conductors. The company aborted the program at that point.

The Sultan Minerals crew (Linda Dandy et al) has moved to Salmo for a small trenching and drilling program at the **Jersey** property. Still unknown at this time is how much work, if any, will be done by sister company, Cream Minerals, at **Kaslo Silver** or **Crystal Lake** (optioned Surebet claims on Crawford Peninsula). A \$2 million program was planned for Kaslo Silver but the necessary funding is slow coming.

Enough snow has melted now that serious work is ~~fining up~~ in the Purcells (Sullivan target). Ascot Resources is nearing completion of its one hole planned at the **Smoker** prospect at the head of Semlin Creek. When I visited on Wednesday, the hole was at about 820 metres and is targetting the Sullivan horizon at about 1000 metres. Drilling is occurring adjacent to an extensive surface occurrence of sericitized fragmentals at Sundown time, known as the "Smoker vent". Meanwhile Ascot is doing mapping and geochem. at the **Cruz** property south of Moyie Lake in preparation for drilling (optioned from Chapleau Resources).

Rio Algom has, for some time, been mapping and carrying out other target definition work at its Kitchener, Yahk, and Pyramid Peak properties, all optioned from Ablibi Mining, and at South Findlay optioned from Eagle Plains. It has submitted NoW's for drilling at **Yahk** and **Pyramid Peak** to start in September.

Kennecott has had a small crew working out of a fly camp at **Greenland Creek**, mapping and doing geochem.

Yesterday I visited the **Jubilee Mountain** barite project of WWC Consulting Ltd. west of Spillimacheen (optioned from Art Louie), and was surprised at the level of activity and the advancement made in the last year. One exploration adit has advanced to about 260' from the portal and a second is at about 40'. The former is projected to break out to surface on the other side of the ridge for a total length of about 700'. Both adits are following steep barite veins and are intended mainly to collect bulk samples. Meanwhile, further exploration drilling along the ridge is underway and is planned to total 3000' by year end. Total expenditure for the year is projected at \$400,000. The bulk sample (projected to total up to 5000 tons) is being trucked to the company-owned processing plant at its Elkhorn Barite property SE of Windermere.

The barite occurs in a series of near-vertical, NE-trending, veins cutting dolomite, which appear to be spaced equally about 150' apart along the length of the ridge, occupying shear zones with definite sinistral offset. The total size of the resource is still unknown as new veins are still being discovered by prospecting and drilling. The veins pinch and swell up to 10' wide, averaging about 4' to 5'. The barite is generally coarse grained and sulphide-free. The only significant impurity is up to 2 or 3% of powdery red hematite which occurs in a network of hairline fractures throughout the barite.

This prospect, I think, has good potential to replace the soon-to-close Parson mine, although it's probably fanciful to expect at this time that it will have a similar total resource. It does have the added feature that, if successful in

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PAKK

- Supergroup Holdings (Dave Pighin et al) has staked the entire Pc Hellroaring Creek Stock south of St. Mary Lake (NTS 082F/9E) after all pre-existing tenure had lapsed. The stock is well known for its exotic pegmatites and has previously been explored for its beryl, feldspar, mica, and lithium potential. With the Aldridge/Sullivan play starting to slip under the waves, Dave and his partners have researched and become enthused about the present and future markets for beryllium, rubidium, REE's, and other industrial commodities present in the pegmatites. Since staking, Craig Kennedy and his sons have located some previously unreported additional exposures of very coarse beryl crystals (I was shown an euhedral crystal at their core shack which is 16" long and about 5" in diameter). The new claims adjoin the east side of their PAKK property, which is currently under option to Chapleau Resources with Sullivan-style sedex as the target, and are subject to a perimeter clause in the Chapleau agreement. Therefore, Chapleau automatically becomes the operator and has now submitted an NoW to our office for a diamond drilling program consisting of a total 6800m in 68 holes, 4 at each of 17 sites. Work is planned to begin in early September.

- Meanwhile, in the Sinclair Creek and Upper Jack areas of the PAKK property, Chapleau is currently drilling two holes to test the Sullivan horizon downdip from surface indications of stratiform zinc mineralization and heavy vent alteration discovered in 1999. The first hole is actually a deepening of an old Cominco hole which is now believed to have stopped short of Sullivan time.

SULLIVAN

- Cominco's recent release of second-quarter results mentioned, without comment, that the Sullivan mine is now projected to close in December 2001. Dennis Merber confirmed that the company has changed its projection from the June 2002 date given in the last annual report back to the end-of-2001 date, and "it could very likely change again".

PYRAMID PK.

- In the Matthew Creek area west of Sullivan, Rio Algom is part way through its second deep hole testing the LMC (Sullivan horizon) on the Pyramid Creek property optioned from Abitibi Mines Ltd. From there it will move to the adjoining Bootleg property optioned from Eagle Plains Resources Ltd. These are basically stratigraphic holes and details of the results will have to await press releases from the property owners.

FINDLAY SOUTH

- Likewise, at the South Findlay property, Rio Algom had previously completed a three-hole test of the LMC without reports of any major discoveries. The company is however still "encouraged and reviewing the data". (CONFIDENTIAL). This is another Eagle Plains option.

GREENLAND CK.

In the bad news category, is the fact that Kennecott aborted its first drill hole well short of target depth on the Greenland Creek property in the Findlay block, withdrew immediately from the property, and now makes no secret locally of the fact that it will not be doing any more work there. Its resident geologist in Invermere, Steve Coombes, is now working in the Yukon. The property owner, Eagle Plains, has not made any official statement about the program or the status of its option agreement, and until it does, this should be considered somewhat CONFIDENTIAL, but the outlook for the Findlay block, last year's "hot spot", looks bleak unless Rio Algom remains positive.