



Occurrence Details

Occurrence Number: 105M 020

Occurrence Name: Paddy

Occurrence Type: Hard-rock

Status: Deposit

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General Information

Primary Commodities: lead, silver, zinc

Secondary Commodities: gold

Deposit Type(s): Vein Polymetallic Ag-Pb-Zn+/-Au

Location(s): 63°56'59" N - -135°23'13" W

NTS Mapsheet(s): 105M14

Location Comments: location coordinates provided by Alexco

Hand Samples Available: No

Last Reviewed:

Capsule

Work History

Staked as Iron cl (2354) in Jun/15 by R. Lhuillier. Restaked as Christal King cl (12207) in Jul/18 by A.E. Erickson and F. Swanson who drove two short adits. The upper of two adits was 10 m long.

The Cain, Pro, Abel, Rex and Horse-shoe cl (55586) were staked 1 km south by J. Boon in Mar/47. The claims were surveyed in 1961 and were recorded as a survey group in Feb/62. N. Swenson carried out hand and bulldozer trenching on these claims (leases) in 1961 and 1962.

The occurrence was restaked as Paddy cl 1 (59313) in Jun/49 by E. Bjonnes who carried out bulldozer trenching in 1950-51 and 1956. A. Smith staked Carol cl 1-4 (80239) 1 km to the west-southwest in Oct/57; purchased the Paddy cl 1 in Jun/60; staked Paddy cl 2-3 (83253) to the north in Oct/63; carried out bulldozer trenching in 1960-63; ground sluicing in 1964-65; drove a short adit in 1965; and drilled two overburden holes (337 m) in 1966.

The property was optioned in 1968 by Silver Spring Mines Ltd, which drilled 14 holes (1 166.8 m) and carried out 136 m of cross-cutting and drifting and 61 m raising in 1969 before entering a joint venture with Canadian Reserve Oil and Gas Ltd in 1970. The joint venture carried out an additional 105 m of drifting and drilled 5 underground holes in 1971; bulldozer trenched in 1975; and drilled 72 overburden percussion holes (2 258.9 m) in 1976.

During 1978, raising and mining were completed above the adit and 224 tonnes of ore were custom milled by United Keno Hill Mines Ltd. The joint venture performed minor trenching in 1981 before the property reverted to Silver Spring and was subsequently transferred to Canada Tungsten Mining Corporation Ltd in 1982, which trenched on the Paddy 2 claim.

The Swenson leases, as the Rex, Pro, etc cl became known as, were aquired by Canada Tungsten sometime prior to the 1980 field season. Canada Tungsten carried out geochemical soil sampling on the leases in 1980.

Springmount Operating Company Ltd, under a lease agreement, shipped 106 tonnes in 1983 and 20 tonnes of hand cobbled ore to a smelter from the Paddy claims in 1984. Springmount trenched in 1986; acquired ownership of the Swenson leases and the Paddy and Carol claims in 1987; and performed additional trenching in 1990 and 1993.

Total production from the mines was 52,129 grams of silver (!,767 oz), 4,706 kg of lead and 1,569 kg of zinc.

Capsule Geology

Silver-lead-zinc mineralization in the Elsa-Keno Hill mining camp occurs in north-northeast to east-northeast striking, steeply southeast dipping vein-faults located within a 23 km long by 6 km wide northeast trending belt of rocks on the south dipping limb of the McQuesten Antiform. The mineralized vein faults cut Devonian to Mississippian Earn Group phyllites, Mississippian Keno Hill quartzite and minor phyllite and Triassic meta-diorites. The vein-faults, are brittle displacement zones that show complex variations in style along their length. Narrow discrete planar fault segments pass into zones of tensional veining or shattered rock, brecciation and stockwork veining. The richest deposits occur in the vein-faults which cut the Keno Hill quartzites.

A branching, transverse type vein system comprised of two divergent vein faults has been intermittently explored on the Paddy claims for a length of 366 m. The vein system cuts Earn Group carbonaceous phyllite and Triassic greenstone underlying Keno Hill quartzite.

The lower of the original adits was barren but the upper adit cut 5 narrow veinlets up to 12.7 cm thick containing arsenopyrite with lesser pyrite, galena and sphalerite in a quartz gangue. Selected specimens assayed up to 10.3 g/t Au and 349.7 g/t Ag.

Later work discovered siderite veins containing narrow, discontinuous lenses of galena, tetrahedrite, sphalerite and gold. Selected specimens have assayed as high as 11 149.4 g/t Ag, 47.7% Pb and 7268.4 g/t Ag, 53.6% Pb, 16.6% Zn, but most assays appear to be in the 343 to 1029 g/t Ag range across widths of 0.3 to 0.9 m.

The 1975 trenching reportedly located two new veins 61 m and 122 m west of the main vein. The closest vein returned an assay of 3359.9 g/t Ag, 2.1 g/t Au, 65% Pb, 5% Zn and 0.06% Cd across 1.8 m while a 1.8 m sample across the second vein assayed 2139.4 g/t Ag, 3.1 g/t Au, 15.9% Pb and 0.7% Zn. One of the 1976 percussion holes was reported to have averaged 1522.2 g/t Ag, 6.2% Pb and 8.7% Zn across 1.5 m from a depth of 26.2 m.

The 1978 shipment to United Keno graded 234.5 g/t Ag, 2.1% Pb and 0.8% Zn. The 1984 shipment graded about 8571.2 g/t Ag.

The 1980 soil sampling of the Swenson leases identified five areas of coincident lead, zinc and silver response. Peak values of 55 ppm Pb, 232 ppm Zn and 9.2 ppm Ag were returned. The largest of the anomalies, measuring 400 by 100 m and possibly trending northeast was delineated on the Pro claim.

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SILVER SPRING MINES LTD, Nov/71. Assessment Report #060943 by A.W. Goring.

Work History

Date	Work Type	Comment
12/31/1993	Trenching	
12/31/1990	Trenching	
12/31/1986	Trenching	
12/31/1984	Other	
12/31/1982	Trenching	
12/31/1981	Trenching	
12/31/1980	Other	
12/31/1978	Other	
12/31/1978	Other	
12/31/1976	Drilling	Number of holes drilled: 25 Amount of work done: 1008.9 METRES
12/31/1975	Trenching	
12/31/1971	Drilling	Number of holes drilled: 5
12/31/1971	Geology	Drifted 105 m.
12/31/1969	Drilling	Number of holes drilled: 14 Amount of work done: 1166.8 METRES
12/31/1969	Development, Underground	Drove raises and crosscuts.
12/31/1962	Trenching	Carried out by hand and machine on adjoining Swenson group.
12/31/1961	Trenching	Carried out by hand and machine on adjoining Swenson group.
12/31/1918	Other	Two short adits were driven.
12/13/2007	Geochemistry	
12/13/2007	Drilling	
12/13/2007	Geology	
12/13/2007	Geochemistry	
12/13/2007	Geochemistry	
12/13/2006	Airphotography	
12/13/2006	Airphotography	
12/13/2006	Airborne Geophysics	
12/13/2006	Airborne Geophysics	
12/13/2006	Pre-existing Data	
12/13/2006	Remote Sensing	

12/13/1976	Drilling	
12/13/1972	Geochemistry	
12/13/1971	Geochemistry	
12/13/1971	Development, Underground	
12/13/1971	Development, Surface	
12/13/1969	Geochemistry	
12/13/1969	Pre-existing Data	
12/13/1969	Development, Surface	
12/13/1968	Geochemistry	
12/13/1968	Pre-existing Data	
12/13/1968	Trenching	
12/13/1925	Geology	

Assessment Reports that overlap occurrence

Report Number	Year	Title	Worktypes	Holes Drilled	Meters Drilled
096732	2014	Assessment Report Describing Metallurgical Test Pits, Metallurgical Auger Drilling, Geotechnical Auger Drilling, Geotechnical Study, Environmental Baseline Studies, Heritage Evaluation, and Water Quality and Climate Monitoring Surveys	Auger - Drilling, Water - Geochemistry, Metallurgical Tests - Lab Work/Physical Studies, Environmental Assessment/Impact - Studies, Geotechnical - Studies, Heritage/Archeological - Studies	9	96.77
095661	2008	2008 Geological, Geochemical and XRF Assessment Report on the Keno Hill Property	Biogeochemistry - Geochemistry, Rock - Geochemistry, Soil - Geochemistry		
094962	2007	2007 Geological, Geochemical and Diamond Drilling Assessment Report on the Keno Hill Property	Diamond - Drilling, Drill Core - Geochemistry, Rock - Geochemistry, Soil - Geochemistry, Bedrock Mapping - Geology	1	450.20
094943	2006	2006 Geological, Aerial Photography and Orthophoto Assessment Report on the Keno Hill Property	Electromagnetic - Airborne Geophysics, Magnetic - Airborne Geophysics, Interpretation - Airphotography, Orthophoto - Airphotography, Digitizing Data - Pre-existing Data, Photogrammetry - Remote Sensing		
090564	1979	Geological, Geochemical, and Geophysical Report	Rock - Geochemistry, Silt - Geochemistry, Soil - Geochemistry, Bedrock Mapping - Geology, EM - Ground Geophysics, Seismic - Ground Geophysics, Research/Summarize - Pre-existing Data		
091282	1976	[1976 Overburden Drill Hole Logs on the Paul, Den, O, Carol, Paddy Claims]	Reverse Circulation - Drilling, Drill Cuttings - Geochemistry	72	2823.36
061165	1972	Summary of Exploration Program-Paddy-Carol Claim Group-North and Star Claim Group	All Weather Road - Development, Surface, Environmental Clean-up - Development, Surface, Drifting/Raising - Development, Underground, Diamond - Drilling, Drill Core - Geochemistry, Detailed Bedrock Mapping - Geology, Research/Summarize - Pre-existing Data	7	518.46
060943	1971	Paddy-Carol Claim Group-Summary of Underground Development Program	All Weather Road - Development, Surface, Drifting/Raising - Development, Underground, Rock - Geochemistry, Detailed Bedrock Mapping - Geology		
060942	1970	Report on Aeromagnetic Survey-Keno Area, Yukon Territory	Magnetic - Airborne Geophysics		
060031	1969	Paddy-Carol Claim Group-Summary of Underground Development Program	All Weather Road - Development, Surface, Drifting/Raising - Development, Underground, Rock - Geochemistry, Detailed Bedrock Mapping - Geology, Research/Summarize - Pre-existing Data		
060078	1969	Paddy-Carol Claim Group-Summary of Underground Development Program	All Weather Road - Development, Surface, Drifting/Raising - Development, Underground, Rock - Geochemistry, Detailed Bedrock Mapping - Geology, Research/Summarize - Pre-existing Data		
019027	1968	Paddy Group Mineral Claims-Interim Progress Report-1968	Rock - Geochemistry, Research/Summarize - Pre-existing Data, Mechanical - Trenching		
019021	1968	[Summary of Previous Work Conducted on the Silver Spring Property]	Research/Summarize - Pre-existing Data		
019927	1925	[Galena Hill-Geological Map-Hector Mine Sections and Block Diagrams]	Bedrock Mapping - Geology, Geotechnical - Studies		

Related References

Number	Title	Page(s)	Reference Type	Document Type
ARMC007579	Development assays - Paddy-Carol		Property File Collection	Assays
ARMC007581	Commonwealth Construction - Yukon properties		Property File Collection	Report

Resource/Reserve

Year	Zone	Type	Commodity	Grade	Tonnage	A mount	Reported Amount	43-101 Compliant	Cut-off
1986	PADDY (UNDERGROUND)	Historical Estimate	lead	8.4 %	3,630		No	No	Unknown
Listed as an estimated reserve. Reported in Yukon Gold-Silver File by J.A. Morin, November 1989, p. 100. Figure likely came from internal government data.									
1986	PADDY (UNDERGROUND)	Historical Estimate	silver	1115 g/t	3,630		No	No	Unknown
Listed as an estimated reserve. Reported in Yukon Gold-Silver File by J.A. Morin, November 1989, p. 100. Figure likely came from internal government data.									