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REPORT ON

GEOLOGY AND GEOCHEMISTRY

WABICO MINES LIMITED PROPERTY

ISLAND IN EMERALD LAKE,

AFTON TOWNSHIP

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LOCATION AND ACCESS

Property consists of two claims, S89451 and S89452 at Emerald Lake, southeastern part of Afton Township, District of Sudbury. Access is by car by way of the Afton-Scholes road to the lake shore and then by boat, a short distance, to the island. The property may be reached by air also. The island lies south of the peninsula on which the New Golden Rose Mine, now closed, is located.

PREVIOUS WORK

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The most recent, published work in this general area was done by E.S. Moore¹, who mapped the Afton-Scholes Townships in the summer of 1936. Geologists of the gold mine north of the island probably mapped the area surrounding the mine, including this island, but their maps are not available to the public. In his 1901 report, Miller² discussed occurrence of gold at Emerald Lake and some of the geology of the area.

1. Geology of the Afton-Scholes Area, by E.S. Moore, O.D.M. Annual Report Vol. XLV, Part VI, 1936.

 W.G. Miller, "Iron Ores of Nipissing District", Ont. Bur. Mines, Vol. X, 1901, P. 175.

TOPOGRAPHY

The terran is very rugged. An Iron formation band stands out high above the other rocks comprising an east-west ridge roughly parallel to the length of the island. North and south of this band the ground slopes to the lakeshore, in places very abruptly. Heavy glacial drift covers most of the terrain north and south of the iron formation. Once, the iron formation was probably covered with glacial material also, but its topographic prominence caused the speedy removal of the overburden.

PURPOSE OF THE MAPPING

An airborne magnetometer survey of this island showed a strong magnetic anomaly over the iron formation. Electrical selfpotential survey, subsequently done, disclosed anomalous values of ground currents generally in the area of the iron formation. The readings were so high that they were sugge tive of graphitic material rather than sulphides. Finally, the results of the geochemical survey over the area indicated anomalous content of heavy metals in soil in several places.

To guide further exploration in the area, it was decided that the island should be mapped to obtain information about rock types over which various anomalies occur and to test the possibility of the presence of surface sulphides showing. Geology was plotted on the map using a scale 1 inch = 200 feet; the same map scale was used for plotting geophysical and geochemical results.

GEOLOGY

The area consists of rocks of Archean age. It is a part of the basement complex in the Afton-Scholes Townships that has been exposed by erosion of overlying Proterozoic rocks--Cobalt sediments and Nipissing diabase sill which make up the surface rocks of the surrounding area

These Archean rocks comprise the Keewatin type volcanics (now greenstones) and Iron Formation, and Timiskaming type sediments quartzites, greywackes, impure quartzites and conglomerate. Division into Keewatin and Timiskaming types is after E.S. Moore.

KEEWATIN-TYPE ROCKS

The oldest rocks in the area are greenstones and iron formation.

A band of dark green, fine to medium grained chloritic rock, borders the iron formation to the north for about 760 feet. This has been called "greenstone". The rock is not uniform in character over the whole distance but varies from one outcrop to another. In one specimen (Line 2 \neq 00 E, 60' N) minerals recognized include chlorite, amphibole, feldspar (?) and calcite. However, other specimens are not calcareous but veinlets and beams of carbonates occur occasionally. Minute, perfectly developed magnetite octal drons were noted only in one specimen ($3\neq$ 00E, 100'N). In one specimen (Line $6\neq$ 00E, 50'E) patches of white sugery silica were observed. Amphibole was identified only in one place, as mentioned above, while the majority of specimens show only the presence of chlorits. Microscopic work should be done in order to justify the application of ore name to apparently different rock specimens.

The rock is generally low in sulphides. Fyrite is the most common of these and occurs in cubes scattered sparsely throughout. Pyrrhotite is less common and occurs in fine grained dissemination.

Iron Formation is the best exposed rock on the island It extends from the west end of the island eastward to the Line OOE, where it disappears under the heavy drift cover. It strikes roughly eas-west along the Ease Line, and swings slightly to the north of east, approaching the eastern end. The width of the band varies -- at the western extreme it is about 200 feet wide, while around the line 11 / COE it is almost 500 feet wide. The rock is of a banded type and consists mostly of nearly black or sometimes red jaspilite. In places it is only laminated chert; in a few places, such as on the Line 16 / OOE, 100'N, it is grey-green siliceous rock, probably an argillaceous phase. This iron formation is generally highly magnetic, and in places, such as on Line $6 \neq 00E$. 150'S, it is almost a massive magnetite. To the south, at the western end of the band, the iron formation is bordered with conglomerate; the contact is almost vertical. Further east, from approximately Line 10 \neq OCE up to the Line 23 \neq 50E, there is a series of outcrops of a rock tentatively named by the writer, "iron formation." This rock is pale grey, yellowish-brown in colour, extremely fine grained and highly siliceous. Its structure is characteristic--it consists of very thin platy bands (in places the rock looks like a book) striking slightly north of east, as at Line 11 / OOE, 250'S, being either vertical or dipping at high angle to the south. These bands are not always thin; they may be thick, dark, almost black in colour; then the rock becomes massive (looses platy structure) and res embles iron formation. This is most likely the lean phase of iron formation--at least the writer was unable to identify it with any other rock.

Iron formation is low in sulphides. Scattered pyrite cubes occur occasionally, but only in minor quantities. At three places only is heavier subhidization noticed: 1) Line 13 \neq 00E, 200'N, very abundant medium to coarse grained aggregates of pyrite in cubes occur in cherty host rock; 2) Line 10 \neq 00E, 150'S just beside the outcrop of argillaceous phase of iron formation, occurs a high concentration of very fine grained cubic pyrite in chert as a host rock. Some pyrite was dissolved and molds of cubic shape were left; some of it was oxidized and rusty material is present in abundance; 3) Line 17 \neq 00E, 150'N aggregates of very fine grained crystalline sulphide, probably pyrite, occur in white sugary silica.

TIMISKAMING-TYPE SEDIMENTS

These sediments border the iron formation on the south and north side. No outcrops of such sediments were found north of the greenstone band, but it seems probable that they do extend in that direction and are only obscured by overburden. Outcrops of sediments are not as abundant as those of iron formation as they are less resistant to weather and are quickly eroded and covered with heavy overburden.

Conglemerate is restricted to the southern side of the iron formation band. Hear the contact with iron formation it contains abundant angular fragments of iron formation and it looks more like a breecia than a conglemerate. Further south, the content of granite pebbles increases at the expense of iron formation fragments; matrix is gritty or greywacke in nature and the rock is a typical conglomerate. Near Line $1 \neq 00E$, 600'S it changes gradationally into greywacke and impure quartzite. A small outcrop of clean, buff coloured quartzite occurs in the vicinity of this conglemerate. Chloritic, fine grained rocks, probably greywacke, occur to the east of conglomerate, on the southern side of the iron formation band. Near the east end of the band, Line 25 \neq OOE, Base line, there is an outcrop of chloritic grit; quartz pebbles stand up high above the softer chloritic matrix which weathers more easily. On the same line about 100 feet to the south, there is a large outcrop of highly calcareous and chloritic rock, possibly a greenstone (somewhat similar to specimen of greenstone on the Line 2 \neq 11E, 50'N). On the southern side of the same outcrop dull green fragments (?) stand out on the weathered surface; this does not occur on the northern side. Otherwise the rocks are similar.

On the northern side of the iron formation band a series of outcrops of grey-green fine grained, chloritic and rather siliceous rocks occur. These might be a very impure quartzite, but sedimentary quartz grains could not be identified due to the fineness of the grains. The rock is massive but the outcrops are not so well exposed as to reveal any structural features.

Scattered pyrite graine occur throughout all sediments in negligible amounts. In outcrop on the Line $13 \neq 00E$ 250'N occurs fine grained disseminated pyrrhotite.

GEOCHEMISTRY

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Soil samples were collected along the geophysical picket lines at stations 50 feet apart. The total heavy metals in parts per million were plotted on the 1 inch to 200 feet scale map and the values contoured. The background has a value of about 100 ppm. Chloritic, fine grained rocks, probably greywacke, occur to the east of conglomerate, on the southern side of the iron formation band. Near the east end of the band, Line 25 \neq 00E, Base line, there is an outcrop of chloritic grit; quartz pebbles stand, up high above the softer chloritic matrix which weathers more easily. On the same line about 100 feet to the south, there is a large outcrop of highly calcareous and chloritic rock, possibly a greenstone (somewhat similar to specimen of greenstone on the Line 2 \neq 11E; 50'N). On the southern side of the same outcrop dull green fragments (?) stand out on the weathered surface; this does not occur on the northern side. Otherwise the rocks are similar.

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During the mapping, attention was paid to the relief of the ground in respect to geochemical anomalies, because it influences locations of the latter. There is no fast rule controlling these positions, but more often than not anomalies appear at the stations situated in small depressions or valley-like ground. Thus the source of heavy metals may be on any side around the anomaly, or below, deeper in the ground.

A somewhat large group of high values occurs over the eastern end of the iron formation. This is (in pant) an area of well exposed iron formation but no sulphides were noticed in specimens from outcrops.

CONCLUSIONS

Mapping of the area did not reveal any impressive mineralization in the bedrock.

Geochemical anomalies have erratic distribution and show little continuity. If it is taken into account the fact that most soil samples contained large percentage of humus, and thus part of the heavy metal content might be due to the presence of plants (Which may serve as metal collectors), the face value of these anomalies should be interpreted with great caution.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. Frantz GEOPHYSICAL ENGINEERING & SURVEYS LIMITED

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PROPERTY - S89451 & S89452 - Afton

TYPE OF SURVEY -- Geological

MILES OF PICKET LINE - 7.75

TIME DISTRIBUTION

Line cutting

14 days done in connection with geophysical survey, but not credited.

Geological mapping

Geo-chemical Sampling

Plotting, drafting, report re:geology

25 days X 4 = 100

To be applied 40 days per claim

PERSONNEL

Drafting etc. - Y. Martin - North Bay - October 1956 L. Vosu - North Bay - ""

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PART OF EMERALD LAKE PROPERTY

AFTON THP., ONTARIO.

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WANTCO MINE: LIMITED

MAPS No 1031 AND 1032

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PART, OF EMERALD LAKE PROPERTY

AFTON THP., ONTARIO

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INTRODUCTION

The Emerald Lake property of Wabico Mines Limited includes eleven unpatented mining claims located at Emerald Lake in Afton township, District of Sudbury, Province of Ontario.

Electrical geophysical surveys were carried out on claims 8-91055, S-91058 and the land portions of S-91056 and S-91059.

The claims may be reached by motor road from Glen Afton, a distance of approximately twenty miles.

GENERAL GEOLOGY

The Mipissing diabase sheet and Cobalt sediments which cover the older rooks over most of the area have been removed by crosion at Emerald lake where steeply-dipping sedimentary and volcanic rocks are exposed.

Argillite, quartaite, breccia and limestone outcrop on the claims covered by the present survey.

A limited amount of trenching and diamond drilling was carried out by previous owners on a pyrrhotite-chalcopyrite sone and a pyrrhotite-smaltitechalcopyrite zone.

GEOPHYSICAL SURVEYS

Bleotrical resistivity and self-potential surveys were carried out on claims S-91055, S-91058 and the land portions of S-91056 and S-91089.

RESISTING SURVEY.

Sixty oycle alternating current was introduced into the earth through electrodes spaced 12 miles apart. Voltage drops, between stations 100 fest apart, were measured along picket lines spaced 300 feet apart using a vacuum-tube voltmater. Apparent average earth resistivities were calculated and plotted logarithmically.

SELF-POTENTIAL SURVEY

Readings of electrical self-potential were taken along picket lines spaced 300 feet apart using a D. C. potentiometer. The readings were plotted as negative self-potentials in millivolts relative to an arbitrary base level.

DISCUSSION OF RESULTS OF GEOPHYSICAL SURVEYS

Resistivity Survey

A large resistivity anomaly was outlined on claim S-91055. The anomaly is located on a gossan covered ridge where disseminated pyrrhotite and chalcopyrite can be seen in some old trenches. Smaltite, chalcopyrite, pyrrhotite mineralization can be seen at the east end of the anomaly area. Lowest resistivities are indicated on line 3+00E, an overburden-covered section of the ridge. The anomaly some continues to the west across claim S-91058 where two separate somes were outlined.

A second anomaly zone has been outlined near the north boundary of claim S-91055. in an overburden covered section of the property.

Self Potential Survey

A broad self potential anomaly, with local high readings superimposed, follows in a general way the outline of the large area of low resistivity outlined on Claims S-91055 and S-91056. It is believed that the broad anomaly is the expression of disseminated sulphides, and the local highs are caused by graphite and/ or massive sulphides.

A second anomaly zone near the north end of claim S-91055 corresponds roughly to the second resistivity anomaly.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that geological mapping be done on the claims to

correlate the geology and known showings with the geophysical results.

It is further recommended that the anomalies discussed above be tested

by diamond drilling.

Respectfully submitted,

North Bay, Ontario. June 20, 1956

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J. May - Toronto	**	
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REPORT ON

ELECTRICAL SELF POTENTIAL SURVEY

CLAIMS 889451 & 889452

EMERALD LAKE, AFTON TOWNSHIP, ONTARIO

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GEOPHYSICAL ENGINEERING & SURVEYS LTD.

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INTRODUCTION

Claims S89451 and S89452 are situated on a large island in Emerald Lake, Afton township, district of Sudbury, province of Ontario. Emerald Lake may be reached by motor road from the village of River Valley. The large island is located about 200 feet from the east shore of Emerald Lake.

GENERAL GEOLOGY

The island is underlain by magnetite-jassilite iron formation and steeply-dipping sedimentary rocks. The sediments are largely impure quartzites.

GEOPHYSICAL SURVEY

An electrical self-potential survey was made along north-south picket lines spaced 100 feet apart. Readings were taken at 50 foot intervals, reduced to an arbitrary base level and plotted on the map as negative self potentials in millivolts.

RESULTS OF GEOPHYSICAL SURVEY

A large complex anomaly zone traverses the centre of the island from east to west. This anomaly zone is undoubtedly caused, in part at least, by bands of graphite. There is, however, a definite possibility that sulphide mineralization is associated with the graphitic zones.

RECONTRNDATIONS

Geological mapping combined with geochemical prospecting is recommended

to evaluate the large shomaly zone.

Respectfully submitted,

October 2, 1958 North Bay, Ontario

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PROPERTY - SE9451 & SE9452, Afton Township TYPE OF SURVEY - Electrical Self potential INSTRUMENT - D. C. Potenticaster MILES OF PICKET LIKE - 7.75 NO. OF STATIONS - 829

TIME DISTRIBUTION

Line outting, picketing, chaining

Geophysical readings

Calculating, plotting, drafting, report

To be applied 40 days per claim

PERSONNEL

Field

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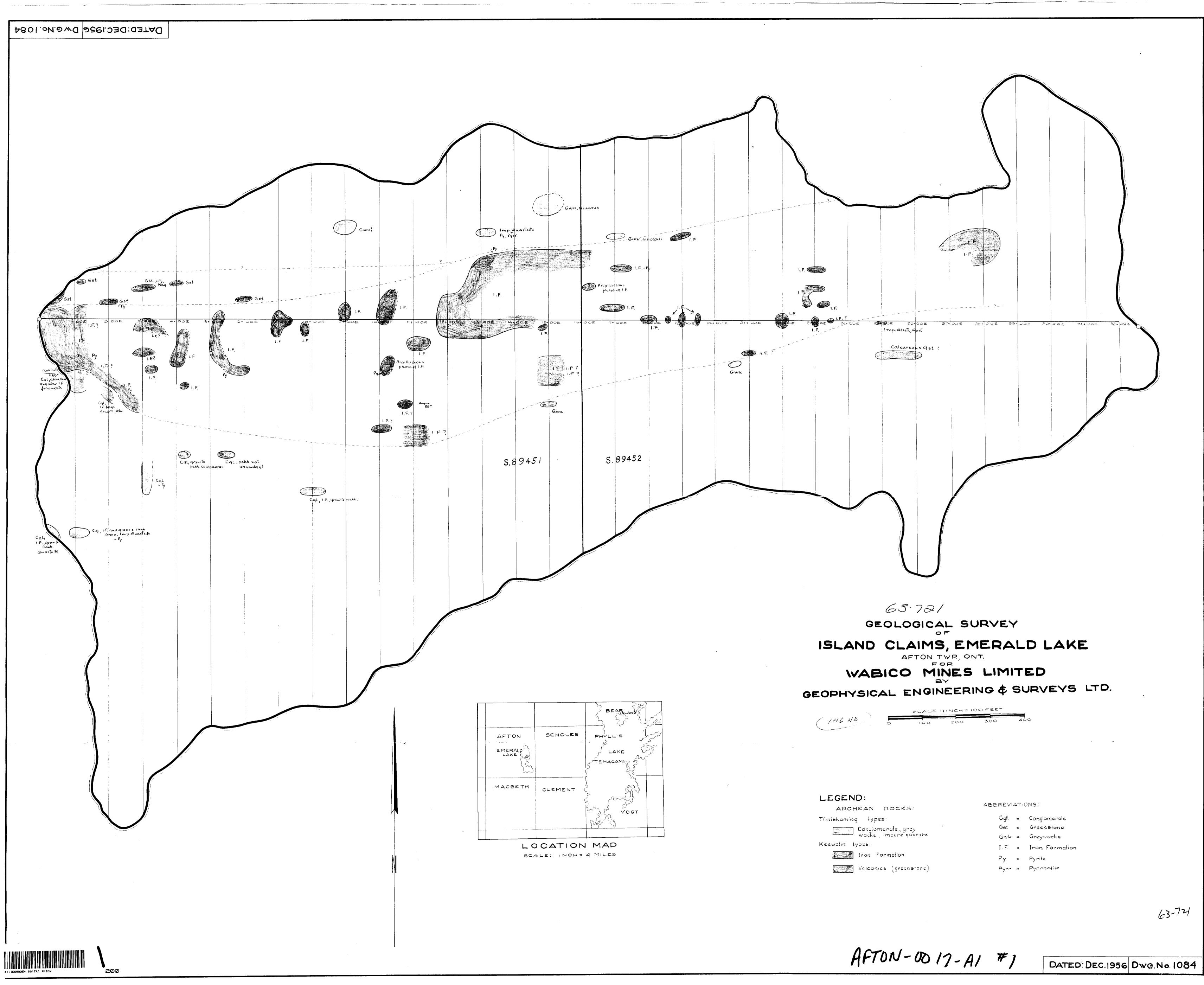
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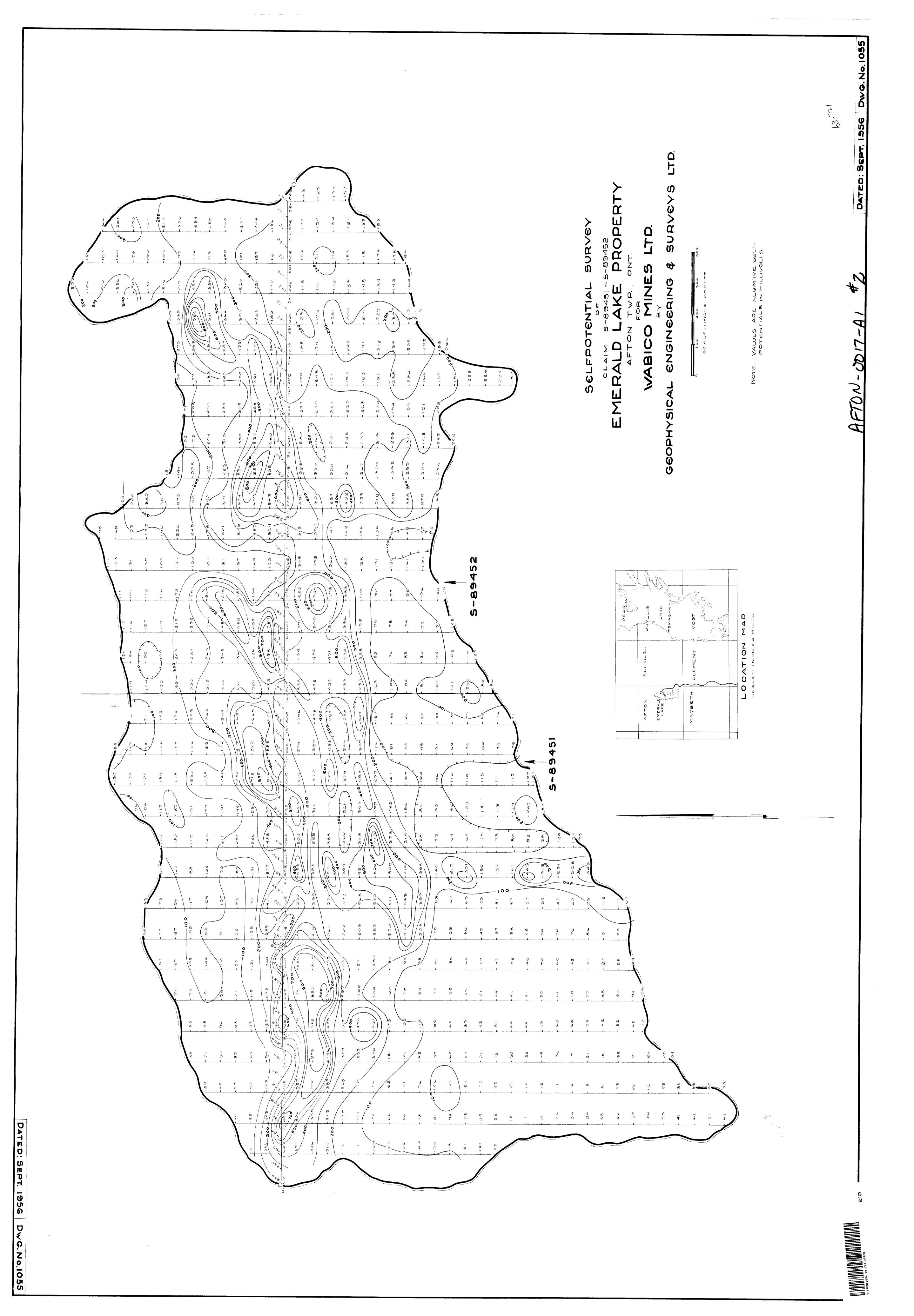
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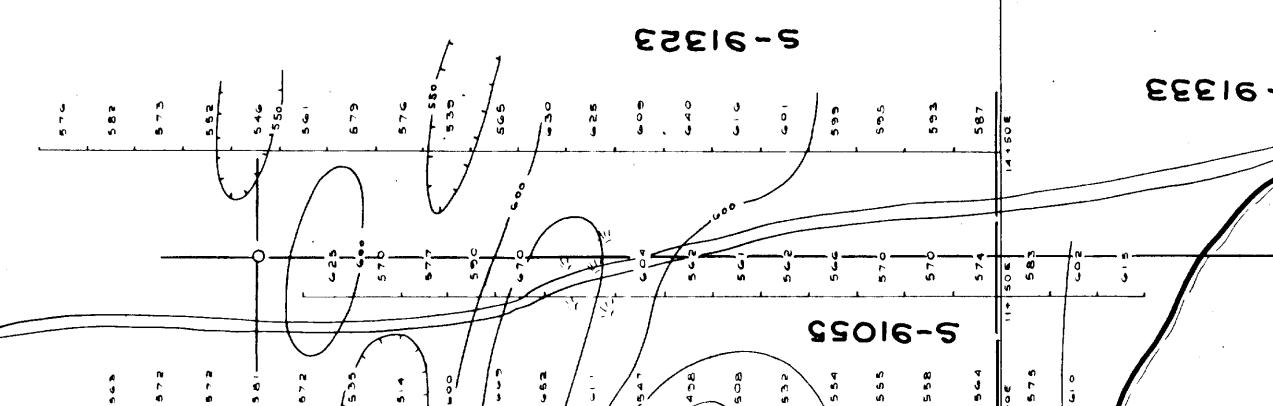
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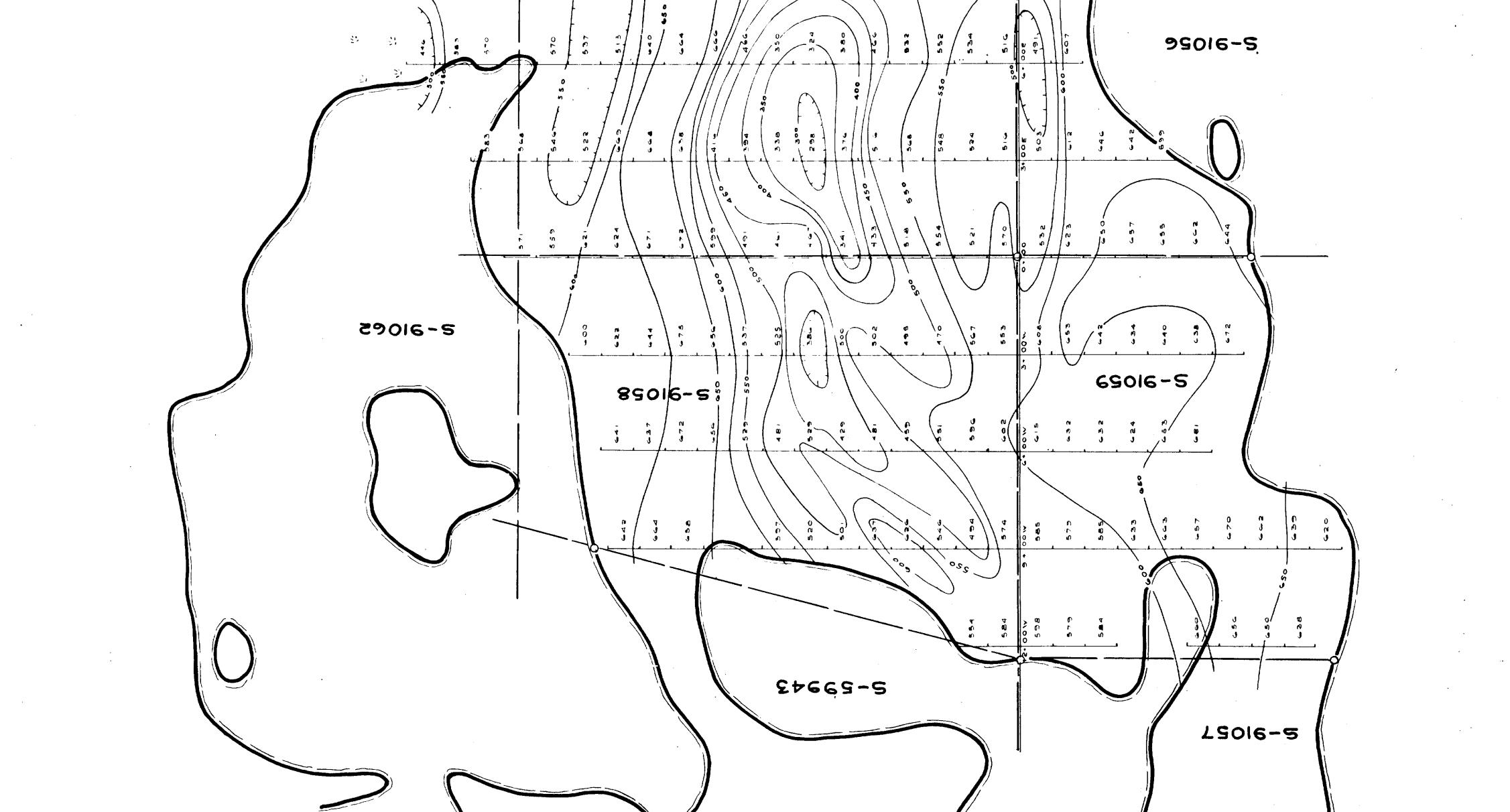
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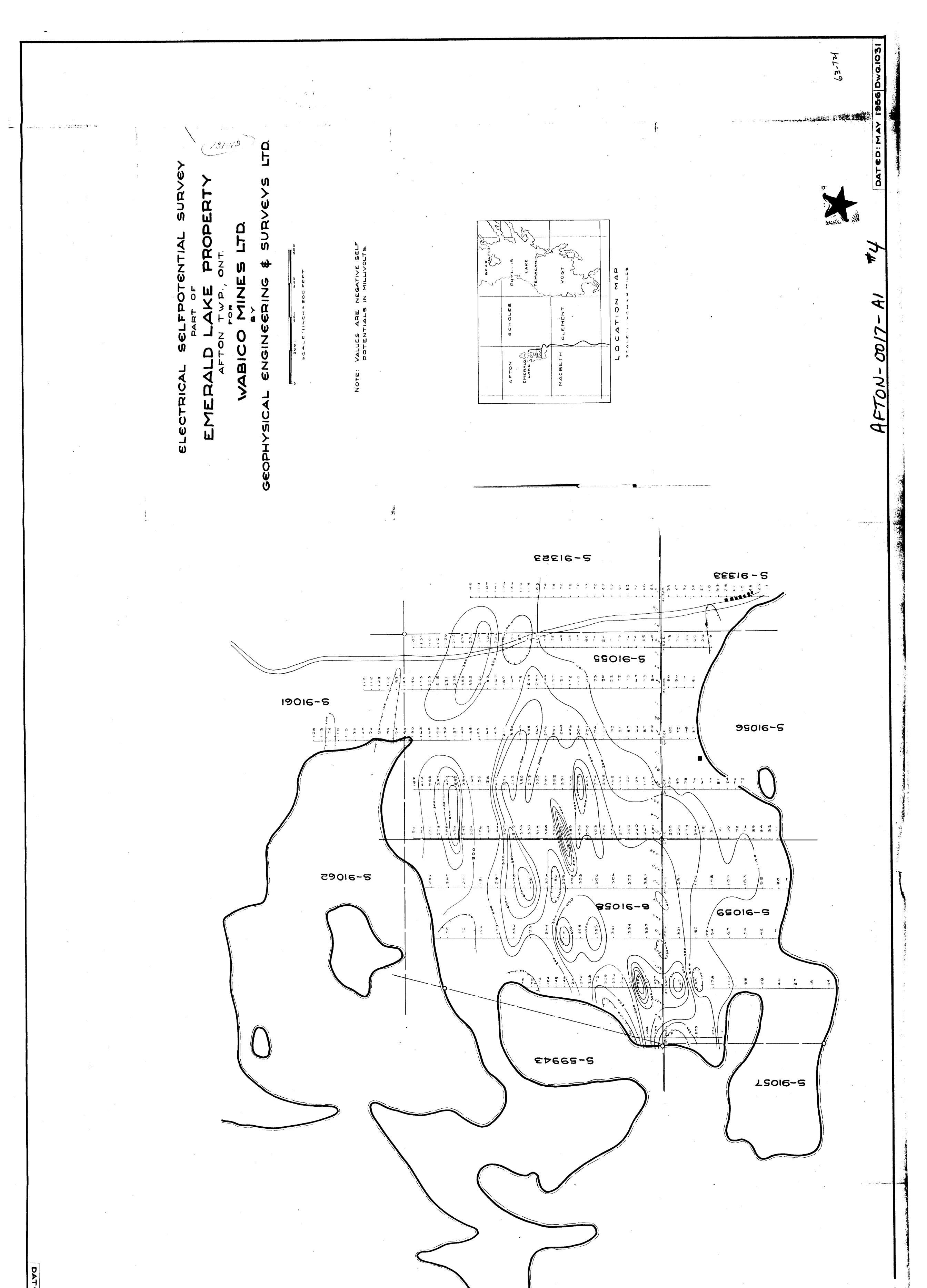
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