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GEOLOGICAL, GEOCHEMICAL

AND

GEOPHYSICAL SURVEYS

ON THE

HURD LAKE PROPERTY

O'SULLIVAN LAKE AREA, N.W. ONTARIO

MAUN LAKE (G-362) STAKING SHEET

THUNDER BAY MINING DIVISION

ONTARIO PROSPECTORS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FILE NUMBER OP91-043

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1.0 SUMMARY

The Hurd Lake Property, consisting as six unpatented mining claims and surrounding crown land, were the focus of a detailled geological mapping, geophysical surveying, and selective geochemical follow-up. Objectives of this work were to investigate further the environment of the New Athona copper silver - gold occurrence and the Megan gold occurrence, which occur in a sheared and altered structural framework. These mineral occurrences are situated in or close to a northeast trending fault system associated with a 300 gamma magnetic anomaly.

The present program outlined a mineralized shear zone in rhyolitic to intermediate metavolcanic, located at B/L, 3+00E, about 200 m strike length. The shear zone was rock chip sampled at four different locations returning the following - 3340, 499, 356, ad 838 ppb gold. No zone width has been established in this area.

Another area of very anomalous gold in outcrop is located in porphyritic rhyolite near the north and of the gird on L2E, where two separate rock chips returned 932 ad 505 ppb gold respectively. As expected, the New Athona copper - silver - gold occurrence returned very anomalous gold values in a fractured and mineralized rhyolite. The best value returned was 0.06 oz/ton (214.8 ppb) gold over 2 meters.

The shear zone gold occurrences on the grid baseline, situated along a large regional shear which also hosts the Megan gold occurrence 1.0 km to the northwest, warrants a program of follow up horizontal loop EM, detailed mapping and sampling to determine the nature of the shearing, presence of quartz veins and sulfide mineralization, and presence of economic grade.



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2.0 INTRODUCTION

This summary report was prepared to fulfil 1991 Ontario Prospectors Assistance Program requirements. The area of study, referred to as the Hurd Lake Property, is situated on the northeast arm of O'Sullivan Lake, about 37 km north northwest of Nakina, Ontario.

The present program consisted of cutting a grid, geological and geophysical surveys, followed by geochemical rock and soil sampling.

3.0 LOCATION AND ACCESS (see fig. 1)

The Hurd Lake Property is located immediately north of the north shore of the North East Arm of O'Sullivan Lake, 37 km NNW of Nakina, Ontario.

Access to the property is by plane or boat, but most practically by boat across O'Sullivan Lake, which is accessed via Hwy. 643 from Nakina, about 50 km away.

4.0 PROPERTY (see fig. 2)

The Hurd Lake property consists of 6 contiguous unpatented mining claims and their immediate environs, located on the Maun Lake (G-362) Staking Sheet, Thunder Bay Mining Division.

5.0 EXPLORATION HISTORY

The area has been mapped by the Geological Survey of Canada (Wilson and Collins, 1904) and the Ontario Geological Survey (Stott, 1984) as well as early mapping by the Ontario Department of Mines (Hopkins, 1916; Kindle, 1929; Moorehouse, 1955).

Gold and copper were first discovered in the O'Sullivan Lake area in the 1920's, centered on showings on the Osulak Peninsula and northeast of the lake, resulting in a rush after World War II, when Osulake Mines started to sink shaft and carry out underground development. Since that time, several operators have attempted to resurrect the property, and the most recent, by Mining Corp. of Canada, removed 90,500 tons of 0.33 oz/ton gold. Since 1950, both gold and base metals exploration has been undertaken along the belt around O'Sullivan Lake, but with only limited success to date.

In the immediate area of the Hurd Lake property, the New Athona Mines copper - silver - gold occurrence, located 200 m south west of Hurd Lake, was investigated by means of nine drill holes in 1955.

The showing consists of two mineralized fracture zones containing minor amounts of arsenspyrite, chalcopyrite, pyrite, marcasite and quartz veining, accompanied by carbonate alteration. No strike length was determined but most holes showed low copper values at depth.



About 400 m east of the claims an unknown operator drilled about four short holes into what is referred to as the Megan -Hurd gold occurrence. The drill target was a narrow sulfide rich shear zone or zones in felsic metavolcanies. Several trenches exposed similar mineralization on L22E, 1+00S. The Warren copper - nickel occurrences, located directly south of the property has been the focus of intermittent exploration activity since the 1950's.

All of the previous exploration activity has been sporadic in nature, but has resulted in significant polymetallic occurrences, confirming the mineral potential.

6.0 REGIONAL GEOLOGY

The Hurd Lake property is situated within the Kowkash Greenstone Belt, a fairly typical northeast trending greenstone sequence consisting of a mafic to felsic transition, younging to the north, intercalated with intermediate to felsic metasediments. The interflow sediments are mainly tuffs and siliceous meta sediments, which locally carry disscininated to massive iron and copper sulfides, with lesser sphalerite and magnetite.



The greenstones are locally intruded by syn to post tectonic sills and dykes, mostly gabbro and diabase. Late stage granite to granodiorite hinterland is located to the north and south of the greenstone belt.

Metamorphic grades varies from lower greenschist facies in the centre of the belt to upper amphibolitic facies adjacent to the granitic hinterland.

Structurally, the Kowkash Belt has been mainly faulted, in a northeast trending strike slip fashion, resulting locally in strongly sheared, highly schistose volcanic units. Recent government airborne geophysics suggest fault offsets of greater than 600 metres.

7.0 PRESENT WORK PROGRAM

The 1991 field program was completed during the period July, 1991 and consisted of the following personnel:

Micheal Smith	Geologist/Geophysical operator
Robert Fogal	Geologist/line cutter
Graham Stone	Geophysical operator/line cutter

A total of 2.3 km of baseline cut, blazed, flagged and chained with stations every 50 m. A total of 15 km of lines were flagged and chained, with stations every 25 m. Following grid

preparation, routine ground magnetic and VLF-EM coverage was initiated. The VLF coverage was completed without incident, but instrument problems with the proton magnetometer prevented the collection of repeatable, ie. reliable magnetic data, and after three half days of effort, the magnetic survey was cancelled.

Using geophysical and airphoto interpretation as guides, the grid was mapped, in most areas both on and between grid lines. A suite of hand specimen and assay samples were collected, as well as fences of soil samples across selected VLF-EM targets. A total of 44 rock and 26 soils were collected and analyzed for gold.

The work program described in this report has been altered from the original project proposal by the deletion of the Melly Lake Grid, which constituted a proposed 10 km of grid. The deletion of the Melly Lake grid was caused by a reduction of project funding from \$20,000 to \$10,000.

8.0 PROPERTY GEOLOGY

Introduction

The Hurd Lake Property was acquired for its gold potential, based on evaluation of recent government helicopter geophysical results for the area, strong photolinear suggestion of a regional strike slip fault, and the presence of two gold showings in the project area. The geological and geochemical surveys were conducted following delineation of target areas based on prospecting and geophysical data. The property has about 20% outcrop.

<u>Geology</u>

The Hurd Lake property is underlain by a north easterly trending sequence of mafic and intermediate volcanics, intercalated with small amounts of felsic pyroclastics, which appear mainly as thin discontinuous units under the western third of the claim block. Occasional narrow lensoidal to sill like gabbroic intrusions locally interfinger with the volcanics.

The mafic to intermediate rocks occur as unsubdivided andesitic to basaltic flows with no disernible top directions. Alteration minerals observed on the claims include perversive chlorite found along shear and cleavage planes. Magnetite is found as fine disseminations and ankerite along fractures, especially within the felsic pyroclastics.

The dacitic to rhyolitic units occur as narrow (1.5m) "pinch and swell" units, trending foliation parallel, forming thin interflow tuff horizons containing pyrite. There is a preferred orientation parallel to the northeast trending regional strike slip faults.

Structure

Deformation and metamorphism in the area has developed a strong northeast trending S1 foliation evidenced by well developed schistosity. Regional studies by the OGS point to a northerly younging direction but there is no evidence of tops on the property. All structural features are vertical and subvertical, including the quartz veins.

9.0 GEOPHYSICAL SURVEY

As stated in section 7.0 of this report, the proposed magnetic survey of the grid was cancelled due to instrument problems.

Routine VLF-EM coverage was completed over the grid at 2.5 and 12.5 m intervals. Station NLK in Seattle was used, and all readings were taken facing grid north normal to station direction.

DISCUSSION OF VLF-EM RESULTS

The data is extremely noisy, with high amplitude in phase swings. All of the conductors located are subparallel to the baseline, and few of the cross overs have a negative to positive quadrant component. Only one conductor, Conductor A has more than 2 lines continuity, starting at L10E, 2+60S extending to L16E, 3+50S. This area was mapped and sampled in detail, despite the very thick bush, but no sulfides, shearing, or alteration noted in outcrop. The New Athona copper occurrences was not a VLF Conductor on Seattle or Annapolis.

There is a one line conductor at L4E, 0+50N, which is along strike to the gold anomaly found on L3+60E and 4+40E. Further detail follow up should be done to determine if the mineralized showing is conductive.

10.0 MINERALIZATION

Several noteworthy gold enriched mineral showings were noted during the present program.

The Hurd Lake copper - silver - gold occurrence was 1. relocated on L6E, 6+00N. The showing is situated at the edge of the Hurd Lake pluton, a quartz - feldspar porphyry which has intruded a rhyolitic unit. The rhyolite has been shattered by a northeast trending fault which has resulted in a brittle kink fold of the The mineralized rhyolite is exposed in a rhyolite. series of four northwest trending trenches located between 5+75E and 7+05E, for a total strike length of Width of the fractured mineralized zone 130 m. averages 6 m, but pinches towards grid west and is covered by overburden to the grid east. Sulfide content varies from 2 - 25% and is composed mainly of Carbonate chalcopyrite, pyrite and pyrrhotite. alteration is common, as is quartz feldspar veining

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parallel to the mineralized zone. Since the copper and silver values have been measured by numerous previous samplers, it was decided to assay the trench samples only for gold. Of the 11 rock samples taken, the highest value returned was sample number 910007, which returned 2148 ppb gold. Although this showing is probably uneconomic in itself, several random grab chip of unaltered intermediate to felsic samples metavolcanics along strike on L2E returned 932 and 505 ppb gold respectively. This indicates a potentially prospective gold enriched horizon which needs to be further explored.

2. At L3+50E, B/L, a new gold showing was located in rhyolite to intermediate volcanics containing 5 - 10% disseminated pyrite on fracture surfaces. The volcanic is in contact with a sheared system of quartz veins and a fine grained, equigranular intermediate intrusive over 100 m exposed strike length, and the width of the exposed shearing appears to be 20 metres. Values of 3340 and 497 ppb gold were returned. Seventy metres to the grid north of the above sample sites, a small outcrop silicified dacite containing 2% arsenopyrite returned 838 ppb gold. Carbonate alteration is evident in the shearing. Due to the nature of the survey, no further work was done to expose further outcrop, but the area is clearly gold enriched and further work is needed to locate the source and extent of the mineralization.

11.0 CONCLUSIONS

- The model proposed for gold exploration on the property appears to be valid, all gold values on the claims are associated with northeast trending shear zones.
- 2. Two very anomalous areas have been defined; the trend from L2E, 5+00N, towards the New Athona mineralization, and the trend along the baseline from L3+30E. Both areas have grouped multi sample rock chips anomalies many orders of magnitude above background.
- The VLF-EM survey may be responsive to the shearing at L3+30E/BL.

12.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- The mineralized trend SW from the New Athona showing should be investigated by means of detailled mapping on a 50 m grid, intensive prospecting, detailled magnetic and HLEM coverage, and 12.5 m geochemical coverage.
- 2. The rock chip anomaly trending from L3+30E, B/L to L5E, 0+50N should be investigated in a detailled manner as above.
- 3. The rock sequence from the baseline to the west boundary of the claim block is not well understood due to lack of outcrop. Much outcrop could be examined by minor grubhoe work and all of the grid from LOE to L7E should be gridded at 50 m intervals and mapped in detail.

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APPENDICES

APPENDIX A

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CERTIFICATE OF QUALIFICATIONS

AUTHORS CERTIFICATE

I, Michael D. Smith, of 70 - 23rd Street, Etobicoke, Ontario do hereby state -

- That I have been a consulting geologist practising my profession from the above address since 1986, and have been engaged actively in mineral exploration since 1961.
- That I hold a professional degree B. Sc (Hons.) in Geology.
- 3. That I am the author of the appended report of the Hurd Lake Property, and that I personally supervised and carried out the field program.
- 4. That the data contained in the report is true to the best of my knowledge.

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APPENDIX B

ANALYTICAL CERTIFICATES

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CERTIFICATE OF ANALYSIS

CERTIFICATE NO.	MI-3220-01	DATE: NOVEMBER 6, 1	991
SUBMITTED BY:	Mich ael D. Smith		
PROJECT:	HURD LAKE		
DATE RECEIVED:	OCTOBER 30, 1991	SAMPLES OF: RO	СК
	PROJECT:	HURD LAKE	
	ROCK SAMPLE NO.:	Au ppb	
	910001	932	
	910002	505	
	910003	3340	
	910004	499	
	910005	356	
	910006	838	
	910007	2148	
	910008	983	
	910009	455	
	910010	278	
	910011	23	
	910012	71	
	910013	98	
	910014	1852	
	910015	265	
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SUBMITTED BY:	Michael D. Smith				
PROJECT	HURD LAKE				
DATE RECEIVED:	OCTOBER 30, 1991	SAMPLES	OF:	5	OILS

PROJECT: HURD LAKE

SOIL SAMPLE NO.:	Au ppb
910020	11
710021	9
910022	18
910023	15
910024	19
911023	5
911024	5
911025	31
911026	5
911027	5
911028	5
911029	16
911030	10
911031	5

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SUBMITTED BY:	Michael D. Smith	
PROJECT:	HURD LAKE	
DATE RECEIVED:	OCTOBER 30, 1991	SAMPLES OF: ROCK
	PROJECT	HURD LAKE
	ROCK SAMPLE NO.:	Au ppb
	910016	541
	910017	303
	910019	61
	910025	58
	910026	53
	910027	23
	910028	15
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	911001	11
	911002	9
	911003	15
	911004	10
	911005	15
	911006	58
	911007	42
	911008	25
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SUBMITTED BY:	Michael D. Smith	
PROJECT:	HURD LAKE	
DATE RECEIVED:	OCTOBER 30, 1991 SAMPL	ES OF: ROCK
	PROJECT: HURD LA	KE
R	OCK SAMPLE ND.1	Au ppb
	911010	15
	911011	25
	911012	23
	911013	23
	911014	15
	911015	11
	911016	12
	911017	15
	911018	9
	911019	20
	911020	10
	911021	• 11
	911022	25
	911032 UNOT HURD LAKE	.14 oz/ton
	911033 KESULTS	.23 oz/ton
	911034	761 ppb
	911035	43 ppb
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DATE RECEIVED:	OCTOBER 30, 1991	SAMPLES	OF:	SOILS

PROJECT: HURD LAKE

SOIL SAMPLE NO.:	Au ppb
912001	12
912002	5
912003	9
912004	15
912005	16
912006	19
912007	15
912008	23

*ROCK 912009

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