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MARGINAL NOTES

MINERAL PRODUCTION AND RESOURCES

The name and ownership of many mineral occurrences shown on this map are given on Map 2310, Ontario Mineral Map, 1974.

The map area contains occurrences and deposits of asbestos, beryl, cesium, copper, gold, iron, lead, lithium, molybdenum, nickel, silver, tantalum, tin, tungsten, and zinc.

During 1981, gold was mined by Northern Concentrators Limited at the Crooked Green Creek property in Pellet Township. In 1982, Consolidated Louanna Gold Mines Limited commenced production of gold concentrate at O'Sullivan Lake. The Pan Empire Joint Venture reacquired the former Northern Empire Mine and commenced gold production in 1982. Initial mill feed was derived from the waste dump.

The first discovery of gold within the map area was the Dodds Occurrence on the Kawashoga River at Howard Falls in 1915. Gold was discovered in the Beardmore area at the Northern Empire Mine in 1925. In the Geraldton area, gold in glacial float was first reported during World War I on Kenogamiis Lake, but the discovery of gold occurrences at Kenogamiis Lake and Magnet Lake was made later in 1931 and 1932, respectively. During 1934, gold was discovered in the Jellicoe area on the Sturgeon River.

Twenty-one mines (defined as having extracted 100 ounces of gold or more) produced precious metals at various times and intervals from 1924 to 1988. Totals of approximately 4 115 000 ounces of gold and 318 500 ounces of silver were produced during the above period.

The last 2 mines to cease production were the Mactod Cookshut Mine and the Letch Mine. Production for each ended in 1968 and was 1 476 728 and 847 890 ounces of gold and 101 389 and 31 802 ounces of silver, respectively. Approximately 20 000 tons of waste dump material from the Letch Mine were processed in 1980.

Copper, as well as gold and silver, was produced at the property of Tashota Nipigon Mines Limited near Onanem Lake with a yield of 360 539 pounds of copper.

During 1942 and 1943, 9800 pounds of high and low grade concentrates of WO₃ were processed by Little Long Lac Gold Mines Limited and 9600 pounds by Letch Gold Mines Limited.

Base metal deposits containing zinc and lead with precious metals, and copper with precious metals, occur west and northwest of Onanem Lake. Copper-lead zinc deposits with gold and silver in the Marshall Lake Group Lake area have received continuous attention from explorationists. Two copper-lead deposits occur in the map area, at Jureau Lake and in Elmhart Township.

Regmatite deposits containing 1 or more of beryl, cesium, lithium, molybdenum, and tantalum occur mainly in the northwestern portion of the map area. Cassiterite is found in granitic dikes at Linklater Lake north-west of Windigo Bay, Lake Nipigon.

Iron deposits exist throughout the area at Briarcliffe Lake and Two Mile Lake north of Nakina, in Suni Township south of Kawashoga; at Barton Bay, Kenogamiis Lake at Geraldton; at North Lamour Lake northwest of Aulac; northeast of Sumner Lake; north of Stewart Lake; and in Iron Township near Beardmore.

Gold exploration has retained the highest priority within the Wabigoon metamorphic-metasedimentary belt, particularly between Lake Nipigon and Longlac.

ROCK SUCCESSION AND STRATIGRAPHY

The legend for the Early Precambrian is based on lithology. Metavolcanic and metasedimentary rocks are subdivided into 4 major map units (1 to 4) which have been observed to succeed each other in various order within any subarea. Hence no stratigraphic succession is intended by their numerical sequence in the legend. Similarly, intrusive ultramafic to felsic rocks are subdivided into 6 major map units (5 to 10) without regard to succession. The felsic intrusive rocks, however, can be subdivided generally into pre- to syn-tectonic bodies and essentially unroofed monzonitic late to post-tectonic intrusions. The former tend to be tonalite to granodiorite in composition (e.g. most of the Onanem-Twin Lakes Batholithic Complex); the latter tend to be granodiorite to monzogranite in composition (e.g. the crescent-shaped Onanem Lake Pluton).

The northern 1/2 of the map area comprises the English River Subprovince, typified by epizoneic sediments that progressively grade northward to metamorphically migmatite and more prominent granitoid rocks.

The Middle Precambrian suite overlies the Early Precambrian rocks with angular unconformity. This suite is dominantly represented by sheets of gabbro locally intruded into epizoneic sandstones and calcareous mudstones.

The main trends of diabase dikes in the map area are northwesterly in the northern 1/2 of the map area and northerly further south.

TERMINOLOGY FOR INTRUSIVE BODIES

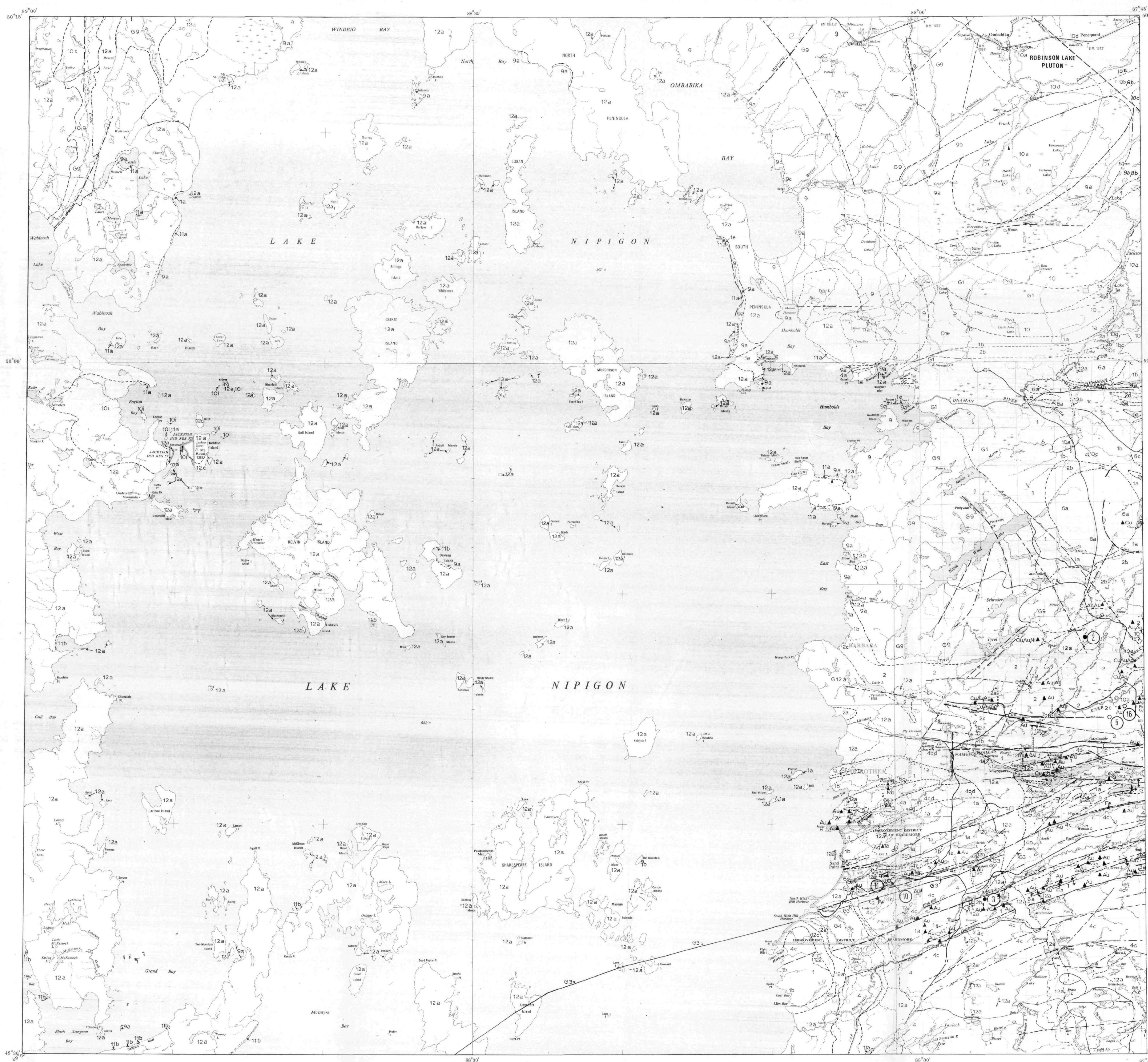
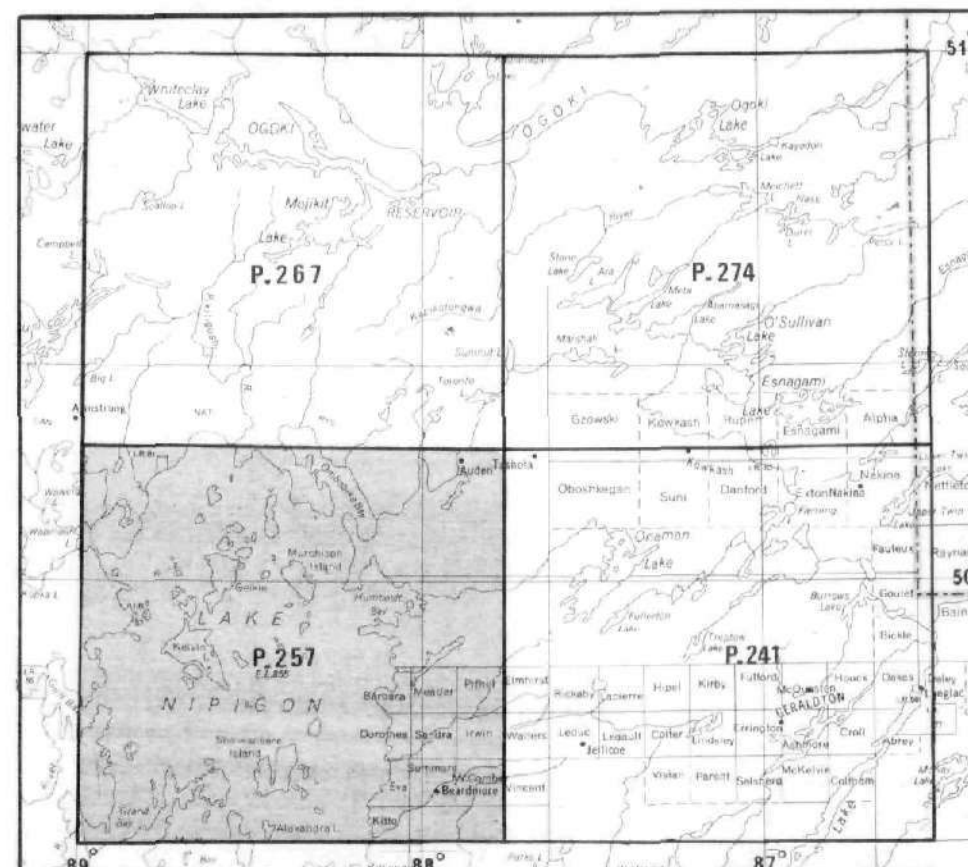
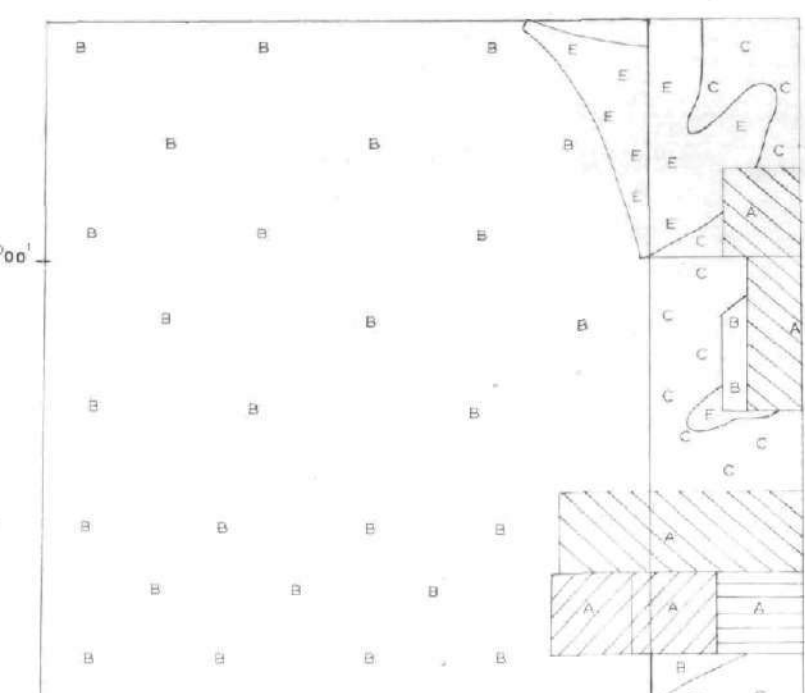
For the sake of uniformity of terminology the felsic to intermediate intrusions and groups of intrusive bodies are referred to in the following ways: "stock" is a body of plutonic rock that covers less than 100 km² (e.g. Deeds Lake Stock); "batholith" is a body of plutonic rock larger than a stock, which may or may not have been emplaced during a single intrusive episode; "pluton" refers to plutonic bodies of batholithic proportion that are known to have been emplaced during a single intrusive episode (e.g. Onanem Lake Pluton); "batholithic complex" is an agglomeration of batholiths, stocks, plutons, and related supracrustal rocks that together constitute a whole (e.g. the Onanem-Twin Lakes Batholithic Complex).

REFERENCE

Strecklen, A. 1976. To Each Plutonic Rock its Proper Name. Earth-Science Review, Volume 12, p. 1-33.

GEOLOGICAL RELIABILITY DIAGRAM

- A Detailed mapping by the Ontario Geological Survey only scale 1:31 680 or 1 inch to 1/2 mile; some at 1:15 840 or 1 inch to 1/4 mile, and 1:12 000 or 1 inch to 1000 feet
B Semi-detailed mapping, scale 1:63 360 or 1 inch to 1 mile
C Reconnaissance mapping, scale 1:126 720 or 1 inch to 2 miles
D Reconnaissance mapping, scale 1:253 440 or 1 inch to 4 miles
E No systematic mapping by government agencies



ONTARIO GEOLOGICAL SURVEY MAP P.257 (Revised) COMPILATION SERIES-PRELIMINARY MAP LAKE NIPIGON SHEET THUNDER BAY DISTRICT

Scale 1:126 720

NTS References: 42E, 42H, 52I ODM-GSC Aeromagnetic Maps: 2120G, 2122G, 2129G, 2130G, 2135G, 2137G ODM Geological Compilation Map: 2102

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LEGEND section containing: PHANEROZOIC GEOLOGY, QUATERNARY, PRECAMBRIAN, MAFIC INTRUSIVE ROCKS, SIBLEY GROUP, EARLY PRECAMBRIAN (ARCHAIC), METAMORPHOSED FELSIC TO INTERMEDIATE INTRUSIVE ROCKS, METAMORPHOSED FELSIC TO INTERMEDIATE SUBVOLCANIC INTRUSIVE ROCKS, METAMORPHOSED MAFIC TO INTERMEDIATE INTRUSIVE ROCKS, METAMORPHOSED ULTRAMAFIC INTRUSIVE ROCKS, METAVOLCANICS AND METASEDIMENTS, METASEDIMENTS, METAVOLCANICS, Mafic and Intermediate Metavolcanics, and a NOTES section.

SYMBOLS section listing symbols for Geological Boundary, Fault, Limestone, and Geographically inferred site.

ABBREVIATIONS table listing chemical symbols for Silver, Gold, Beryl, Cesium, Copper, Iron, Lithium, Molybdenum, Nickel, Tin, Tungsten, and Zinc.

PROPERTIES and PRODUCING MINES sections listing various mineral properties and the names of mines such as Consolidated Louanna Gold Mines Ltd and Northern Concentrators Ltd.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION section listing references to geological maps and reports, including the Ontario Geological Survey and various geological compilations.

CREDITS section acknowledging the compilation by G.M. Stott, 1984, and the original compilation by E.G. Pye and F.R. Harris, 1964. It also includes a disclaimer about the accuracy of the information and the date of issue (1984).