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**Report on Geological Field Operation
July 14-23, 2000
Prairie Creek and Nahanni Butte
Northwest Territories**

Nahanni, Headless, and Funeral Ranges, Northwest Territories

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Field photographs are submitted on two compact discs.**

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Introduction

A Canadian Forest Oil Ltd. Geological field party was based at the Prairie Creek Mine site and at the hamlet of Nahanni Butte, Northwest Territories (NWT) from July 14th to 23rd, 2000. The field party members were Todd Buringers (Kee Scarp Ltd, Yellowknife, Party Chief), Tim Geeley (Canadian Forest Oil Ltd), and Angus Koniscens (Nahanni Butte). A 50% partner in the field party was Anschutz Exploration Corporation of Denver, Colorado.

The closest effected community was Nahanni Butte located at the confluence of the South Nahanni and Liard Rivers. The community was kept informed about the status of the project through the Chief and Band Manager. The local outfitter was contacted prior to initiating the program and was notified at the completion of the program. The Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board were informed about the project and correspondence was received from the Board waiving any additional permitting requirements.

The geology crew was lodged at the Prairie Creek mine site camp of Canadian Zinc Ltd. and at the Nahanni Butte Motel. Great Slave Helicopters, Fort Simpson base, supplied helicopter services. Air Tindi provided fixed wing services from Yellowknife to the Prairie Creek Mine site and from Nahanni Butte to Yellowknife.

Locality Map

Enclosure 1 shows the outcrop localities visited in 2000. These locations are grouped into five areas and a general reconnaissance category. Sample numbers are keyed to these location numbers. Area and sample locations are grouped as follows:

Area 1: Prairie Creek Mine site	61°32' N 124°45' W (Approximate)
Area 2: Whittaker	62°30' N 124°52' W (Approximate)
Area 3: Delorme	62°50' N 125°20' W (Approximate)
Area 4: Nahanni	61°50' N 123°20' W (Approximate)
Area 5: Settlement	62°07' N 123°50' W (Approximate)
Reconnaissance:	Root River Map GSC 1376A (95K) Carmell Bend Map GSC 1375A (95J); Virginia Falls Map GSC 1376A (95F); Sibbeston Lake Map GSC 1377A (95G).

Statistical Summary

Mobilization Date:

Thursday, July 13, 2000

Demobilization Date:

Sunday, July 23, 2000

Significant Dates:

Fixed wing into Nahanni Butte and Prairie Creek Mine site: July 14, 2000

Helicopter operations: July 14th to July 22nd (inclusive)

21.9 hours of helicopter time were billed

Poor weather day: July 13th, 2000

Closed operations: July 23rd, 2000

Shipped Samples: July 24th, 2000

Technical and non-technical personnel

2 Canadian citizens (one a First Nations member) and one American citizen

Productivity Data

Total samples taken:

61 samples

Lost time:

One day (July 13th, 2000)

Daily Production:

Sampled on an average of six locations per day

Weather conditions:

Sunny, Clear warm, light winds

Down Time factors:

Low ceiling on first day of program (July 13th, 2000)

Description of Field procedures

Two members of the field party departed Yellowknife via fixed wing (Twin Otter) on July 14th 2000 after a one-day delay due to weather. The aircraft made one stop in Nahanni Butte to pick up the third member of the field party before continuing on to the Prairie Creek Mine site.

Sample sites in Area 1: Prairie Creek Mine site, were accessed on foot or by four wheel drive vehicle. Sample site in Area 2: Whitaker Anticline, Area 3: Delorme Fault, Area 4: Nahanni Thrust, Area 5: Battlement Anticline, and Reconnaissance sites were accessed by helicopter. Great Slave Helicopters provided the helicopter support. A machine was kept with the field party through out the program. Fuel was cached at the Prairie Mine site airstrip and at the Nahanni Butte airport. No fuel was cached at any remote sites.

Rock samples and structural measurements were taken at each location. Sample site locations and rock descriptions and other data were recorded in field notebooks. Samples were collected in gunnysacks and shipped to Calgary via Yellowknife. The samples were inspected in the Canadian Forest Oil offices in Calgary and stored at a warehouse facility.

Shales and darker carbonate rocks were sampled for total organic carbon (TOC), maximum burial temperature (TMAX) analysis and graptolite reflectance (R_o).

Dolomites and some shales were sampled for age determination using faunal identification of conodonts. Where present, macrofossils were also sampled for examination. Samples were collected in lined bags and labeled for identification.

Summary operational objectives and ties to regional geology

The field objectives were to identify and sample potential source rocks, collect samples for age dating (conodont analysis) and collect macrofossils for examination. The 2000 field party was a continuation of the 1999 field party (Taylor, J. R., 2000, Report on Geological Field Operation August 3-13, 1999 Fort Simpson, Northwest Territories, Canyon, Nahanni and Tundra Ranges, unpublished report for Canadian Forest Oil Ltd., Calgary, Operation Identifier No. 9237-C131-001E) which examined mainly Silurian carbonate bank facies. The 2000 field party concentrated on more westerly Silurian basinal facies.

Locations for field examination were selected to coincide with previous work done by the Geological Survey of Canada (GSC) Calgary (Morrow, D.W. and Cook, D.G., 1987: GSC Memoir

Sample Site 6 (Morrow Transverse 24) 61° 38' 28.7", 124° 42' 57"

F00-S-1-7 Road River shale
F00-S-1-8 Road River shale
F00-F-1-8 Road River shale
F00-C-1-1 From F00-S-1-7 area
F00-C-1-2 From F00-S-1-7 area
F00-F-1-7 From F00-S-1-7 area

Sample Site 7, 61° 38' 58.3", 124° 43' 10.3"

F00-S-1-9 Road River shale
F00-F-1-9 Road River shale

Underground, Level 930

F00-S-1-10

Sample site 8 (Morrow Section 11)

F-00-S-1-11
F-00-F-1-10

CORE SAMPLES

Well 94-PC-56
Road River shale

F00-SC-1-1; Boxes 18, 19, 20, 21; 95.3-116.6m
F00-SC-1-2; Boxes 22, 23, 24, 25; 116.6-138.4m
F00-SC-1-3; Boxes 26, 27, 28, 29; 138.4-159.3m
F00-SC-1-4; Boxes 30, 31, 32, 33; 159.3-164.4m
F00-SC-1-5; Boxes 34, 35, 36; 164.4-199.3m

Well 94-PC-64

F00-SC-1-6; Boxes 1, 2, 3, 4; 2.4-24.6m
F00-SC-1-7; Boxes 5, 6, 7, 8; 24.6-43.7m
F00-SC-1-8; Boxes 9, 10, 11, 12; 43.7-71.3m
F00-SC-1-9; Boxes 13, 14, 15, 16; 71.4-94.1m
F00-SC-1-10; Boxes 17, 18, 19, 20; 94.1-117.4m
F00-SC-1-11; Boxes 21, 22, 23, 24; 117.4-138.7m
F00-SC-1-12; Boxes 25, 26, 27, 28; 138.7-163m
F00-SC-1-13; Boxes 29, 30, 31, 32; 163-186m
F00-SC-1-14; Boxes 33, 34; 186-197.7m

Area 2: Whistler**Sample Site 1 (Morrow Transverse 2A) $62^{\circ} 30' 15.7''$, $124^{\circ} 46' 08.5''$**

F00-C-2-1
F00-C-2-2
F00-C-2-3
F00-C-2-4
F00-C-2-6

Sample Site 2, $62^{\circ} 29' 59.2''$, $124^{\circ} 49' 37.5''$

F00-S-2-1
F00-S-2-2

Area 3: Detourne**Sample Site 1 (Morrow section 47), $62^{\circ} 48' 01.5''$, $125^{\circ} 14' 34.5''$**

F00-S-3-1
F00-R-3-1, Pastel Creek, Reed River, 100' from contact with Whistler.
F00-R-3-2, Pastel Creek, Reed River, 300' from contact with Whistler.
F00-R-3-3
F00-R-3-4
F00-R-3-5
F00-C-3-1
F00-C-3-2
F00-F-3-1

Area 4: Nahanni**Sample Site 1 $61^{\circ} 55' 12.7''$, $123^{\circ} 20' 55''$**

F00-R-4-1 Arnica
F00-R-4-2 Silurian Sandstone (?)
F00-R-4-3 Silurian Sandstone (?)
F00-R-4-4 Silurian Sandstone (?)

Area 5, Battlement $62^{\circ} 08' 33.8''$, $123^{\circ} 46' 45.9''$ **Aerial Reconnaissance, No Samples taken.****Reconnaissance** **$61^{\circ} 49' 47.4''$, $125^{\circ} 37' 35''$**

F00-S-R-1 Funeral Formation
F00-S-R-2 Funeral Formation

 $62^{\circ} 14' 53.4''$, $125^{\circ} 08' 33.3''$

F00-S-R-3 Horn River shales

Results of geochemical analysis and other analysis

See Appendix 1

Results of micro-paleontology as it relates to biostratigraphic correlations

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Photographs

See Appendix 3 for an index and photograph captions. The field photographs are on two compact discs in the pocket found at the back of this report.

Appendix 1.
Geochemistry Study

October 18, 2000
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Daniel M. Jarvis, Humble Geochemical Services
P.O. Box 789, Humble, Texas TX 77347, 218 Higgins Street, Humble, Texas
TX 77338, USA

Dear Daniel:

I have enclosed rock samples for source rock analyses. There are 30 surface and diamond drill core samples from a 10 day field party to Northern Canada concluded on July 26, 2000. These are contained in fabric sample bags and are serial numbered 1 through 30. I have retained duplicates of all samples. If some sample has inadvertently been supplied in too small a quantity or additional sample is required for a subsequent test, I can supply these via overnight delivery.

A completed copy of your Special Analysis Request Form is enclosed. The sample serial numbers, location numbers, and interval or sample numbers are tabulated on an attachment. The various sampling locations are in the McKenzie Mountains and supplemental geological notes are shown on the attachment. Regional geology leads me to anticipate that all the samples have passed through the maturity levels for gas by burial and/or overthrusting.

The Road River is Silurian in age. The formations sampled have not previously been tested for source rock potential in the outcrops visited. The exception is the Mine Airport Road River Shale sample, which was sampled in 1999 and gave a TOC % of 0.80. This was judged to be significant because of the high maturity of the sample as a result of burial and thrusting. The nearest reference to source rock studies done on the important Silurian-age Road River Shale interval is Christine Link's University of British Columbia thesis on the Peel Plateau north of the current area of interest. A copy of this report was sent to you in 1999. Note that in the Silurian-age troughs or basins filled with Road River shales show 5-9% TOC according to Link. In the present study similar black shale samples occur in the Silurian Root Basin. A thesis appendix correlates graptolite reflectance to a vitrinite reflectance scale. Graptolites were found in the current sampling. They are well described just west of the area by Etherington in 1966.

As previously discussed, there are some limitations on the amount of source rock data obtainable from over mature shales and from Pre-Devonian rocks. Certain follow up tests involving vitrinite reflectance, pyrolysis and thermal extraction may be discretionary depending on initial testing. Please advise me on this as testing proceeds. I would appreciate being informed of costs in SUS as the project progresses. Results are expected according to the timing shown in your listing of Standard Delivery Times. Surcharges for rush jobs are not anticipated at this time.

Also be aware that all test results will be forwarded to venture partners and to the National Energy Board (Canada) [NEB] and that the NEB places the information in the public domain in 5 years. The NEB reference is 8237-C131-001E. Please show this number on reports to simplify data distribution.

For the information of your accounting department, Canadian Forest Oil Ltd. is a wholly owned subsidiary of Forest Oil Corporation of Denver, Colorado (symbol FST on the New York stock exchange). Credit references can be supplied if requested. Invoices should refer to file 003012.

In 1999 I had some delays in releasing the rock shipment from US Customs at Houston. I will send the shipment by Federal Express and describe them as "Rocks for Analysis" and hope that the shipment is not seized.

Yours sincerely,

Canadian Forest Oil Ltd.

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Attachment: Sample Analysis Request Form

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SOURCE ROCK GEOCHEMISTRY SAMPLES

Area 1, Prairie Creek Mine site
Site 1 (Landing strip) $61^{\circ} 33' 38.6''$, $124^{\circ} 48' 46.2''$

#H1 F00-S-1-1 Road River shale
#H2 F00-S-1-2 Road River shale
#H3 F00-S-1-3 Road River shale
Site 2 (outcrop adjacent to the level 1 adit) $61^{\circ} 33' 19.6''$, $124^{\circ} 47' 50.2''$
#H4 F00-S-1-4 Road River shale
Site 4 (Next to river north of mine) $61^{\circ} 38' 10.9''$, $124^{\circ} 52' 08.6''$
#H5 F00-S-1-5 Road River Shale
Site 6 (Morrow Transverse 24) $61^{\circ} 38' 28.7''$, $124^{\circ} 42' 57''$
#H6 F00-S-1-6 Road River shale
#H7 F00-S-1-7 Road River shale
#H8 F00-S-1-8 Road River shale
Site 7, $61^{\circ} 38' 58.3''$, $124^{\circ} 43' 10.3''$
#H9 F00-S-1-9 Road River shale
Underground, Level 930
#H10 F00-S-1-10
Site 8 (Morrow Section 11)
#H11 F-00-S-1-11
CORE SAMPLES
Hole 94-PC-56
Road River shale
#H12 F00-SC-1-1; Boxes 18, 19, 20, 21; 95.3-116.6m
#H13 F00-SC-1-2; Boxes 22, 23, 24, 25; 116.6-138.4m
#H14 F00-SC-1-3; Boxes 26, 27, 28, 29; 138.4-159.3m
#H15 F00-SC-1-4; Boxes 30, 31, 32, 33; 159.3-164.4m
#H16 F00-SC-1-5; Boxes 34, 35, 36; 164.4-199.3m
Hole 94-PC-64
#H17 F00-SC-1-6; Boxes 1, 2, 3, 4; 2.4-24.6m
#H18 F00-SC-1-7; Boxes 5, 6, 7, 8; 24.6-43.7m
#H19 F00-SC-1-8; Boxes 9, 10, 11, 12; 43.7-71.3m
#H20 F00-SC-1-9; Boxes 13, 14, 15, 16; 71-94.1m
#H21 F00-SC-1-10; Boxes 17, 18, 19, 20; 94.1-117.4m
#H22 F00-SC-1-11; Boxes 21, 22, 23, 24; 117.4-138.7m
#H23 F00-SC-1-12; Boxes 25, 26, 27, 28; 138.7-163m
#H24 F00-SC-1-13; Boxes 29, 30, 31, 32; 163-186m
#H25 F00-SC-1-14; Boxes 33, 34; 186-197.7m
Area 2, Whittaker
Site 2, $62^{\circ} 29' 59.2''$, $124^{\circ} 49' 37.8''$
#H26 F00-S-2-1
#H27 F00-S-2-2
#H28 F00-S-2-3
Area 3: Delorme
Site 1 (Morrow section 47), $62^{\circ} 48' 01.6''$, $125^{\circ} 14' 34.8''$
#H29 F00-S-3-1

CANADIAN FOREST OIL LTD.

Batch: Western Canada
ATTN: James Taylor

HGS NO.	SAMPLE ID (1)	SAMPLE ID (2)	TOC AND ROCK-EVAL DATA						INTERPRETIVE RATIOS					NOTES	
			TOC	S1	S2	S3	TMAX	HI	OI	S2/S3	PI	S1/TOC	Check	Pyrogram	
28814 H1	F00-S-1-1		0.70	0.01	0.02	0.07	—	—	3	82	0.04	0.31	1	c	1
28815 H2	F00-S-1-2		0.67	0.05	0.01	0.12	—	—	2	18	0.05	0.79	4		1
28816 H3	F00-S-1-3		0.36	0.00	0.00	0.33	—	—	0	57	0.00	—	0		1
28817 H4	F00-S-1-4		0.21	0.00	0.00	0.14	—	—	0	64	0.00	—	0		1
28818 H5	F00-S-1-5		0.31	0.00	0.00	0.07	—	—	0	22	0.00	—	0		1
28819 H6	F00-S-1-6		1.48	0.00	0.02	0.75	—	—	56	66	1.00	0.11	8		1
28820 H7	F00-S-1-7		0.25	0.02	0.17	0.17	—	—	36	44	0.05	0.40	25		1
28821 H8	F00-S-1-8		0.16	0.04	0.00	0.07	—	—	6	44	0.14	0.07	2		1
28822 H9	F00-S-1-9		0.16	0.02	0.01	0.07	—	—	0	115	0.00	1.00	0		1
28823 H10	F00-S-1-10		1.98	0.03	0.00	1.70	—	—	15	40	0.30	0.00	0		1
28824 H11	F00-S-1-11		0.22	0.00	0.00	0.11	—	—	0	0	—	—	0		1
28825 H12	F00-SC-1-1		0.27	0.00	0.00	0.00	—	—	3	14	0.20	0.06	6		1
28826 H13	F00-SC-1-2		0.39	0.02	0.01	0.06	—	—	10	0	—	0.38	8		1
28827 H14	F00-SC-1-3		0.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	—	—	3	7	0.40	0.06	5		1
28828 H15	F00-SC-1-4		0.40	0.02	0.01	0.00	—	—	5	4	1.00	0.33	6		1
28829 H16	F00-SC-1-5		0.03	0.06	0.04	0.04	—	—	16	36	0.48	0.23	6	c	1
28830 H17	F00-SC-1-6		0.18	0.01	0.00	0.07	—	—	0	1270	0.00	1.00	10		1
28831 H18	F00-SC-1-7		0.10	0.01	0.00	1.27	—	—	0	22	0.38	0.25	3	c	1
28832 H19	F00-SC-1-8		0.72	0.02	0.00	0.16	366	—	8	14	0.00	—	0		1
28833 H20	F00-SC-1-9		0.37	0.00	0.00	0.05	—	—	0	0	—	1.00	2		1
28834 H21	F00-SC-1-10		0.88	0.01	0.00	0.00	—	—	0	0	—	1.00	0		1
28835 H22	F00-SC-1-11		0.12	0.01	0.00	0.00	—	—	0	0	—	—	0		1
28836 H23	F00-SC-1-12		0.22	0.00	0.00	0.00	—	—	0	0	—	—	0		1
28837 H24	F00-SC-1-13		0.17	0.00	0.00	0.00	—	—	0	0	—	—	0		1
28838 H25	F00-SC-1-14		0.26	0.00	0.00	0.00	—	—	179	564	0.32	0.14	29	c	HS2p
28839 H26	F00-S-2-1		0.14	0.04	0.25	0.79	365	—	11	152	0.07	0.17	2		1
28840 H27	F00-S-2-2		0.46	0.01	0.06	0.70	424	—	0	50	0.00	1.00	13		1
28841 H28	F00-S-2-3		0.16	0.02	0.00	0.08	—	—	0	66	0.00	1.00	8		1
28842 H29	F00-S-3-1		0.13	0.01	0.00	0.09	—	—	0	0	—	—			

* Tmax data not reliable due to low kerogen S2 value

TOC = weight percent organic carbon HI = $S2 \times 100/TOC$
 S1, S2 = mg hydrocarbons/g rock OI = $S3 \times 100/TOC$
 S3 = mg carbon dioxide/g rock PI = $S1/(S1+S2)$
 Tmax = °C S1/TOC = $S1 \times 100/TOC$

NOTES:

Check
c = sample analysis confirmed

Pyrogram

n = normal

HS2p = low temperature S2 shoulder

f = flat



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FROM: Jack D. Burgess

Total number of pages (including this sheet): 7

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Message

The following pages detail the graptolite reflectance for 4 samples.

Please let me know if you have any questions. Originals will be mailed to you.

Sincerely,

Jack D. Burgess

JDB/cb

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March 8, 2001

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Calgary, Alberta CANADA**

Attn: **James R. Taylor**

Enclosed are four graptolite reflectance histograms from outcrop samples H-1 F00-S-1-1 Road River shale, and H-6 F00-S-1-6, Site 6; H-10 F00-S-1-10 underground level 930; and H-16 F00-SC-1-5 Hole 94-PC-56. The reflectance values were obtained on particles freed from the rock matrix by acidization, and mounted, ground and polished following ASTM standards for coal. All R_o values are from randomly oriented particles. Interpretation of hydrocarbon generation and preservation zones are found using Figure 10 from Gentzis, de Freitas, Goodarzi, Melchin, and Lenz, 1996, copy attached.

Conclusions

1 Mean random reflectance values for: H1 = 1.37 Ro Oil window
 H6 = 2.03 Ro Wet gas condensate
 Note histogram scale change H10 = 2.45 Ro Dry gas
 H16 = 2.30 Ro Wet gas condensate

2. The variation in reflectance values is a result of the random orientation not accounting for anisotropy, small particle sizes of the graptolites, and the granular, non-granular texture of the graptolites.

The plugs, kerogen slides and unused rocks will be returned to you under separate cover.

J. B. Burgess

Jack Burgess

Reference:

Gentzis, Thomas, T. deFreitas, F. Goodarzi, M. Melchin, and A. Lenz, 1996, Thermal Maturity of Lower Paleozoic Sedimentary Successions in Arctic Canada: AAPG Bulletin, v. 80, no. 7, p. 1063-1083.

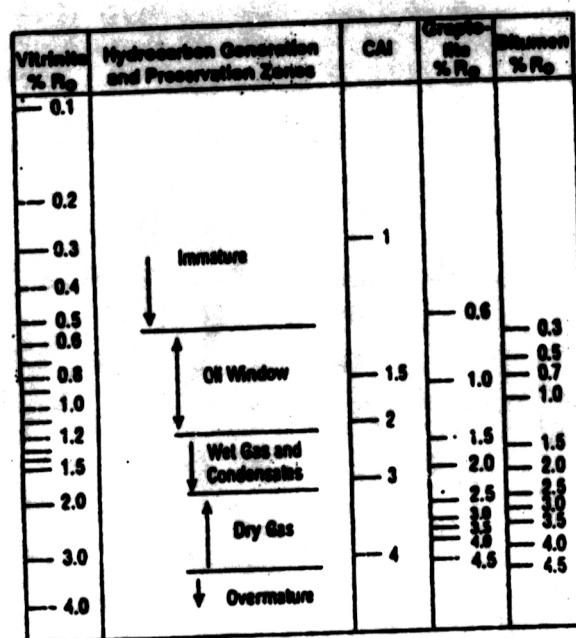


Figure 10—Chart showing the correlation between VR_{v} , CAI, GR, BR, and hydrocarbon generation and preservation zones (modified from Cole, 1994).

References:

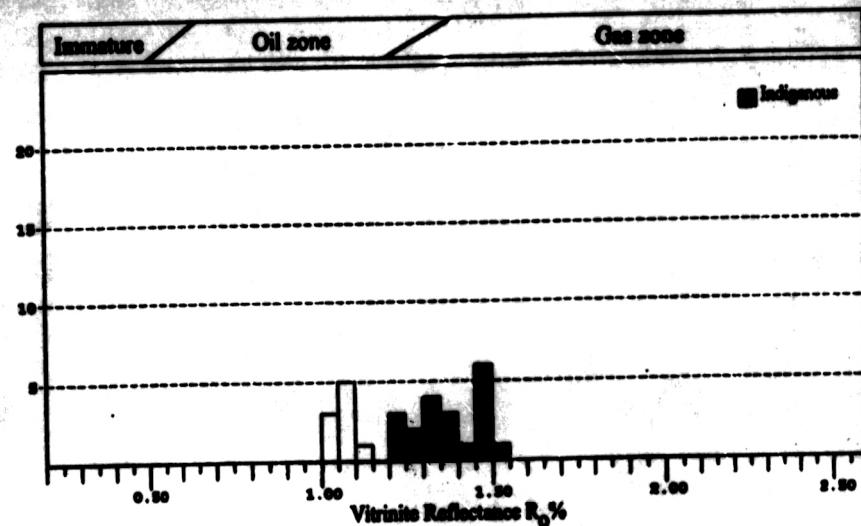
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Customer: CANADIAN FOREST OIL LTD.

Sample ID: H 1

Mean depth: 100

Sample type: OUTCROP



Indigenous population statistics

Min: 1.20 Max: 1.50 Std. Dev.: 0.10 Count: 20

Total population statistics

Mean: 1.27 Min: 1.03 Max: 1.50 Std. Dev.: 0.16 Count: 29

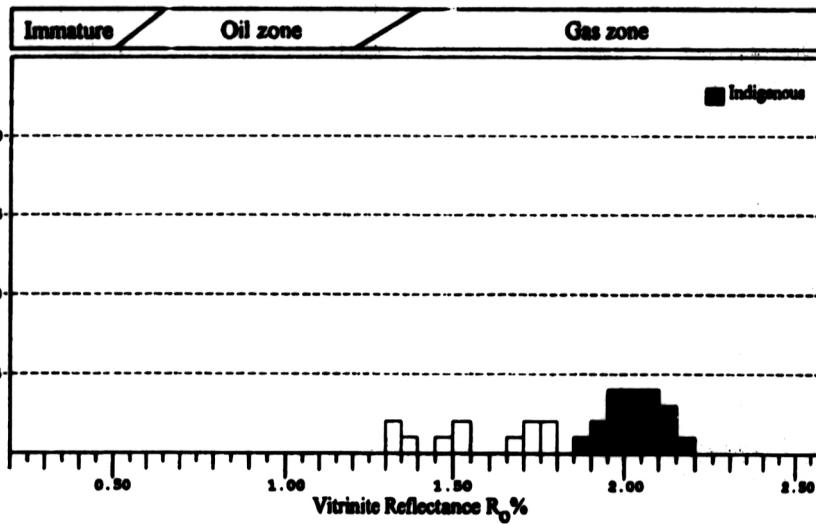
01 - 1.03	21 - 1.38 <
02 - 1.04	22 - 1.43 <
03 - 1.04	23 - 1.45 <
04 - 1.06	24 - 1.45 <
05 - 1.06	25 - 1.48 <
06 - 1.08	26 - 1.48 <
07 - 1.08	27 - 1.48 <
08 - 1.09	28 - 1.49 <
09 - 1.12	29 - 1.50 <
10 - 1.20 <	
11 - 1.21 <	
12 - 1.22 <	
13 - 1.28 <	
14 - 1.28 <	
15 - 1.30 <	
16 - 1.30 <	
17 - 1.31 <	
18 - 1.34 <	
19 - 1.38 <	
20 - 1.38 <	

Note: Reflectance values rounded to nearest hundredth. [<] indicates indigenous reflectance value

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Customer: **CANADIAN FOREST OIL LTD.**Sample ID: **H 6**Mean depth: **100**Sample type: **CORE****Indigenous population statistics**

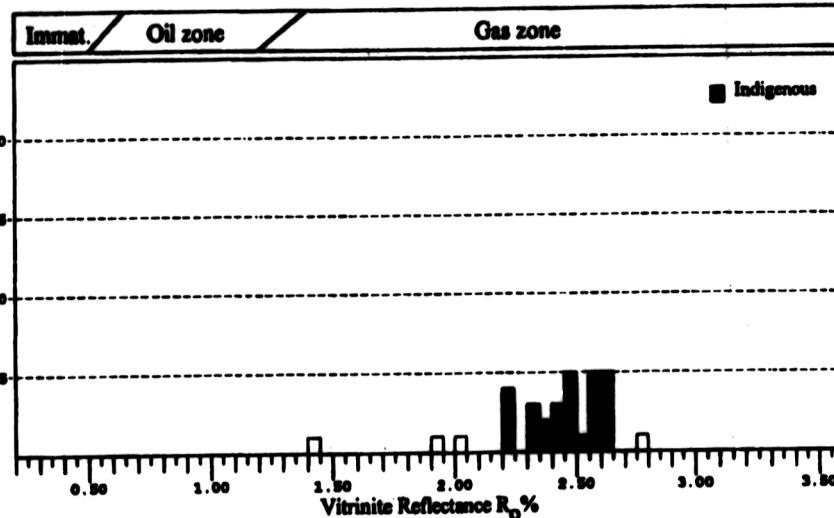
Min: 1.87 Max: 2.19 Std. Dev.: 0.08 Count: 19

Total population statistics

Mean: 1.86 Min: 1.31 Max: 2.19 Std. Dev.: 0.26 Count: 30

01 - 1.31	21 - 2.02 <
02 - 1.32	22 - 2.03 <
03 - 1.36	23 - 2.08 <
04 - 1.48	24 - 2.08 <
05 - 1.52	25 - 2.08 <
06 - 1.53	26 - 2.09 <
07 - 1.68	27 - 2.10 <
08 - 1.70	28 - 2.10 <
09 - 1.71	29 - 2.13 <
10 - 1.76	30 - 2.19 <
11 - 1.77	
12 - 1.87 <	
13 - 1.90 <	
14 - 1.93 <	
15 - 1.96 <	
16 - 1.98 <	
17 - 1.98 <	
18 - 1.98 <	
19 - 2.01 <	
20 - 2.01 <	

Note: Reflectance values rounded to nearest hundredth. [<] indicates Indigenous reflectance value

Customer: **CANADIAN FOREST OIL LTD.**Sample ID: **H 10**Mean depth: **100**Sample type: **CORE****Indigenous population statistics**

Min: 2.21 Max: 2.63 Std. Dev.: 0.13 Count: 28

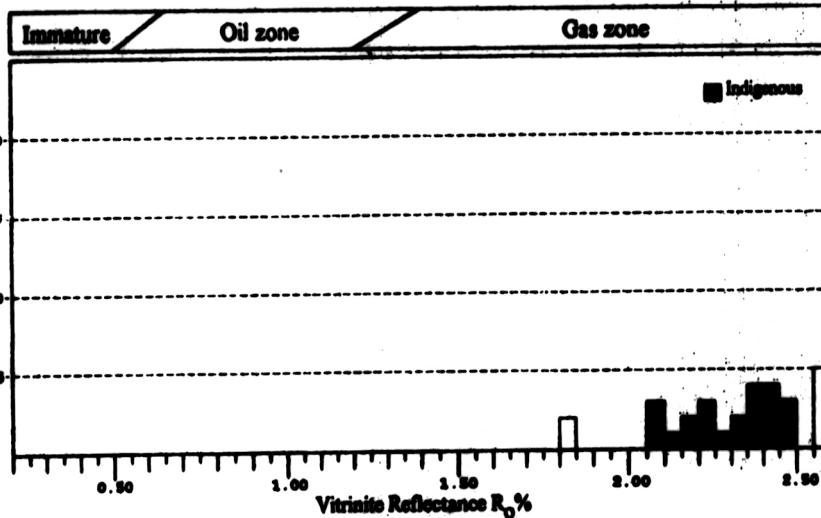
Total population statistics

Mean: 2.40 Min: 1.41 Max: 2.76 Std. Dev.: 0.26 Count: 32

01 - 1.41	21 - 2.54 <
02 - 1.94	22 - 2.55 <
03 - 2.03	23 - 2.56 <
04 - 2.21 <	24 - 2.58 <
05 - 2.22 <	25 - 2.58 <
06 - 2.23 <	26 - 2.59 <
07 - 2.24 <	27 - 2.60 <
08 - 2.33 <	28 - 2.60 <
09 - 2.33 <	29 - 2.61 <
10 - 2.34 <	30 - 2.61 <
11 - 2.36 <	31 - 2.63 <
12 - 2.36 <	32 - 2.76
13 - 2.41 <	
14 - 2.42 <	
15 - 2.43 <	
16 - 2.45 <	
17 - 2.46 <	
18 - 2.47 <	
19 - 2.48 <	
20 - 2.49 <	

Note: Reflectance values rounded to nearest hundredth. [<] indicates indigenous reflectance value

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Customer: **CANADIAN FOREST OIL LTD.**Sample ID: **H 16**Mean depth: **100**Sample type: **CORE****Indigenous population statistics**

Min: 2.05 Max: 2.48 Std. Dev.: 0.14 Count: 23

Total population statistics

Mean: 2.31 Min: 1.83 Max: 2.58 Std. Dev.: 0.20 Count: 30

01 - 1.83	21 - 2.43 <
02 - 1.84	22 - 2.43 <
03 - 2.05 <	23 - 2.45 <
04 - 2.08 <	24 - 2.45 <
05 - 2.08 <	25 - 2.48 <
06 - 2.10 <	26 - 2.55
07 - 2.16 <	27 - 2.55
08 - 2.19 <	28 - 2.55
09 - 2.21 <	29 - 2.58
10 - 2.22 <	30 - 2.58
11 - 2.24 <	
12 - 2.27 <	
13 - 2.31 <	
14 - 2.32 <	
15 - 2.37 <	
16 - 2.39 <	
17 - 2.39 <	
18 - 2.39 <	
19 - 2.41 <	
20 - 2.42 <	

Note: Reflectance values rounded to nearest hundredth. < indicates Indigenous reflectance value

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Appendix 2.
Conodont Study

October 6, 2000

2000 Conodont Study: University of Victoria -Canadian Forest Oil

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Attention: Dr. Chris Barnes

Dear Chris:

Subject: 2000 Information package

The paperwork for the 'Conodont Study: University of Victoria -Canadian Forest Oil' from last year is probably applicable to the 2000 study. The only change is to extend the confidentiality period on the 2000 study to July 30, 2006 to coincide with the expiry of confidentiality for the National Energy Board Report on the 2000 Field Party. Enclosed, for your information, and guidance in completing the report, is a sample list with notes on locations. All ages and correlations shown are tentative pending results of the conodont analysis.

As you know I was prevented, by medical reasons, from being in the field in the 2000 season. Todd Burlingame of Yellowknife, Tim Seeley a Canadian Forest newly hired geologist, and a First Nations representative from Nahanni Butte were in the field. Outcrop sampling in 2000 was done on the basis of and correlated to already described Geologic Survey of Canada sections (recorded in Morrow and Cook Memoir 412) rather than the new fresh section measurements of last year. Also a number of diamond drill core samples from the Prairie Creek lead-zinc mine were collected courtesy of the Canadian Zinc Corporation. The compacted black shales of the Road River from the cores are not calcareous. I have includes two representative samples of these (sample serial numbers C11 and C12) to see if extraction is practical. Some of the outcrop shales may also pose problems.

Please call or e-mail if further information is needed.

Regards,

Canadian Forest Oil Ltd.

James R. (Jim) Taylor, P. Geol.

Attachment

Continental
Conodont Study

Area 1, Prairie Creek Mine site
Road River Shale

#C1 F00-S-1-1
#C2 F00-S-1-2
#C3 F00-S-1-4
#C4 F00-S-1-5
#C5 F00-S-1-6
#C6 F00-S-1-7
#C7 F00-S-1-8
#C8 F00-S-1-9
#C9 F00-S-1-10
#C10 F00-S-1-11

CORE SAMPLES
Road River shale

Hole 94-PC-56

#C11 F00-SC-1-3; Boxes 26, 27, 28, 29; 138.4-159.3m

Hole 94-PC-64

#C12 F00-SC-1-9; Boxes 13, 14, 15, 16; 71-94.1m

Area 2, Whittaker

Sample Site 1 (Morrow Transverse 2A) $62^{\circ} 30' 15.7''$, $124^{\circ} 46' 08.6''$
Lower Devonian Delorme

#C13 F00-C-2-1
#C14 F00-C-2-2
#C15 F00-C-2-3
#C16 F00-C-2-4
#C17 F00-C-2-5

Area 3: Delorme

Sample Site 1 (Morrow section 47), $62^{\circ} 48' 01.8''$, $125^{\circ} 14' 34.8''$

#C18 F00-C-3-1
#C19 F00-C-3-2

REPORT ON CONODONTS RECOVERED FROM 19 SAMPLES COLLECTED BY THE 2000 NWT FIELD PARTY FROM NAHANNI AREA, NWT

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Introduction.

In correspondence, Jim Taylor wrote (email, 4 October, 2000) that "I have 23 samples (at least) from the 2000 NWT field party that could use conodont work. A number of these are from Road River (Silurian?) core taken from diamond drill core at the Prairie Creek Mine (located just north of the Nahanni National Park). This is compacted very black shale in most cases. " The batch of samples were shipped from Calgary and arrived on 27 October, 2000.

Laboratory preparation.

The 19 samples received were each weighed, and the weight of the later undissolved fraction also recorded. They were dissolved slowly in weak (10%) acetic acid with several acid changes over the period of several weeks. The undissolved fraction was wet sieved, material coarser than an 16 mesh sieve was retained; the material for further study was retained on a 200 mesh sieve; finer material was washed away. The residue on the 200-mesh sieve was dried and carefully separated with heavy liquid (sodium polytungstate). Light and heavy fractions were dried and packaged separately. The heavy fraction would include any conodonts present and this was picked for conodonts under a binocular microscope using special trays and brushes. Any conodonts were retained in micropaleontology microslides, sorted taxonomically and glued, and then identified using the current research literature and using the results, reference collections, and expertise from recent and ongoing studies of Lower Paleozoic conodonts from the Canadian Cordillera, Arctic, and eastern Canada. Following the identifications, an age assignment was established using the known stratigraphic ranges of the species present. This report summarizes all the available conodont data and the age interpretation for conodont faunas in each sample.

Conodont faunas recovered and interpreted age assignment for samples.

C1 FOO-S-1-1 (2000gm; 796 undissolved)
No conodonts.

C2 FOO-S-1-2 (800 gm; 446 undissolved)
No conodonts.

C3 FOO-S-1-4 (2000gm; 0 undissolved)
Pterospathodus amorphognathoides (4)
Aspidognathus tuberculatus (1)
Carniodus carnulus (12)
Aspelundia fluegeli (65)
Panderodus unicostatus (278)
Walliserodus bicostatus (46)
Decoriconus fragilis (3)
Ozarkodina sp. (7)
Coniform (n. gen.?) (36)

Total number of conodonts: 452.

Age assignment: *Pterospathodus amorphognathoides* Zone, upper Telychian-lower Sheinwoodian stages (=uppermost Llandovery-lowest Wenlock; =mid Lower Silurian).

C4 FOO-S-1-5 (500gm; 5 undissolved)
Aspelundia fluegeli (1)
Panderodus unicostatus (11)
Walliserodus bicostatus (2)
Coniform (n. gen.?) (2)

Total number of conodonts: 16

Age assignment: Llandovery, possibly ranging into lower Wenlock (Lower Silurian).

C5 FOO-S-1-6 (1500gm; 357 undissolved)
Pterospathodus celloni (3)
Panderodus unicostatus (18)
Walliserodus costatus (8)

Total number of conodonts: 29

Age assignment: *Pterospathodus celloni* Zone, middle Telychian (=upper Llandovery).

C6 FOO-S-1-7 (1100gm; 169 undissolved)
Dapsilodus obliquicostatus (1)
Fragment indeterminate (1)

Number of conodonts: 2

Age assignment: Silurian

C7 FOO-S-1-8 (1100gm; 7 undissolved)
Oulodus sp. (4)
Ozarkodina sp. (1)

Panderodus unicostatus (20)
Walliserodus curvatus (1)

Total number of conodonts: 26

Age assignment: Silurian

C8 FOO-S-1-9 (1400gm; 20 undissolved)
Pterospathodus amorphognathoides (3)
Pterospathodus celloni (2)
Carniodus carnulus (17)
Aspelundia fluegeli (42)
Panderodus unicostatus (71)
Panderodus recurvatus (15)
Walliserodus bicostatus (66)
Ozarkodina sp. (2)
Coniform (n. gen.) (12)

Total number of conodonts: 230

Age assignment: Pterospathodus amorphognathoides Zone, late Telychian-early Sheinwoodian (latest Liandovery-earliest Wenlock) (=mid Lower Silurian).

C9 FOO-S-1-10 (1300gm; 402 undissolved)
Panderodus unicostatus (1)
Aspelundia sp. (3)

Total number of conodonts: 4

Age assignment: Lower Silurian.

C10 FOO-S-1-11 (1100gm; 2 undissolved)
Pterospathodus amorphognathoides (13)
Carniodus carnulus (3)
Aspelundia fluegeli (73)
Panderodus unicostatus (138)
Walliserodus bicostatus (30)
Drepanodontiform element (1)
Coniform (n. gen.) (29)

Total number of conodonts: 287

Age assignment: Pterospathodus amorphognathoides Zone, late Telychian-early Sheinwoodian (latest Liandovery-earliest Wenlock) (=mid Lower Silurian).

C11 FOO-SC-1-3 (1800gm; 851 undissolved)

Panderodus unicostatus (1)

Total number of conodonts: 1

Age assignment: Silurian-Lower Devonian.

C12 FOO-SC-1-9 (1800gm; 526 undissolved)

Pterospathodus pennatus (1)

Pterospathodus sp. (3)

Aulocognathus bullatus (1)

Aspelundia fluegeli (24)

Carniodus carnulus (3)

Panderodus unicostatus (37)

Walliserodus bicostatus (15)

Total number of conodonts: 84

Age assignment: Pterospathodus celloni Zone, middle Telychian (=upper Llandovery).

C13 FOO-C-2-1 (2000gm; 100 undissolved)

No conodonts

C14 FOO-C-2-2 (1500gm; 2gm undissolved)

No conodonts

C15 FOO-C-2-3 (2000gm; 105 undissolved)

Aspelundia cf. A. fluegeli (1)

Ramiform fragment (1)

Total number of conodonts: 2

Age assigned: Lower Silurian

C16 FOO-C-2-4 (2500gm; 355 undissolved)

Ozarkodina cf. O. remscheidensis (2)

Coniform indeterminate (2)

Total number of conodonts: 2

Age assigned: Upper Silurian (Pridolian)-Lower Devonian (mid-Lochovian)

C17 FOO-C-2-5 (2500gm; 462 undissolved)

No conodonts

C18 FOO-C-3-1 (2000gm ; 391 undissolved)

No conodonts

C19 FOO-C-3-2 (2079gm; 579 undissolved)

Ozarkodina? sp. (1)

Panderodus unicostatus (2)

Total number of conodonts: 3

Age assignment: Silurian-Lower Devonian.

Summary comments:

Nineteen (19) conodont samples were processed and most contained conodonts. A total of 1138 conodonts was recovered and identified. This was a considerable improvement from the first batch of samples in 1999. In your letter of 6 October, 2000, you indicated that the samples came from three different areas; I will comment on each.

Area 1, Prairie Creek Mine site, Road River Shale (C1 to C10):

Several of these samples contain excellent conodont zonal species and seem to be of a similar age: *Pterospathodus amorphognathoides* Zone, late Telychian-early Sheinwoodian (latest Llandovery-earliest Wenlock) (=mid Lower Silurian). Some of the samples contain less diagnostic fauna but are not inconsistent with this age.

Area 1, Prairie Creek Mine site, Core samples, Road River Shale (C11 and C12):

You indicated that these two samples were from compacted black shale, non-calcareous, which were included to see if conodont extraction was practical. In fact, they must have been partially calcareous, since at least half the sample was dissolved. Both contained conodonts, with one (C12) providing a precise conodont zonal age: *Pterospathodus celloni* Zone, middle Telychian (=upper Llandovery).

Area 2, Whittaker Anticline (C13-C17):

These samples were either barren or yielded small faunas that indicated Lower and Upper Silurian-Lower Devonian ages, likely being Pridoli (C15) and younger than the samples from Area 1.

Area 3, Delorme Fault (C18-C19): One sample was barren and one had a small relatively undiagnostic fauna, likely of Upper Silurian-Lower Devonian age.

CR James

9 March 2001

Figure 5. Conodont and graptolite zonation for the Cape Phillips Formation and relevant areas world-wide. M. Melchin, A. Lenz (pers. comm. 2000); McCracken and Barnes (1981); Uyeno and Barnes (1983).

Appendix 3.

Field Photograph Index and Captions

Field Photographs

(see the compact disc in the pocket in the back of this report)

PHOTO INDEX WITH CAPTIONS
Canadian Forest Oil Ltd. NAHANNI BUTTE FIELD PROGRAM
2000

Roll 1:

[CD-A Img00001.jpg – Img00025.jpg]

Index card number: 0-4- Arrival to Prairie Creek Mine Site

- 5- Cadillac formation (Mine site)
- 6-8- Twisted Mountain
- 9- Prairie Creek Airport
- 10-11- Root River shales (Mine site)
- 12- Mine site (looking north)
- 13- Personnel (Angus Konisents)
- 14-15- Twisted Mountain
- 16-17- Root River shales (Morrow Section 25)
- 18- Personnel (Tim Seeley)
- 19- Morrow Section 23 (looking north from Morrow Sec. 24)
- 20-21- Tundra Thrust
- 22-24- Cadillac Formation (buff weathering)
- 25- Sunblood formation (Whittaker Anticline)

Roll 2:

[CD-A Img00027.jpg - Img00050.jpg]

Index card Number: 00- Personnel (Alan Taylor (Canadian Zinc))

- 0- Personnel (Todd Burlingame)
- 1- Sunblood formation (Whittaker Anticline)
- 2- View to Northeast
- 3- View to Southwest
- 4- Pastel Creek section (view to south)
- 5- Pastel Creek section (view to east)
- 6- Whittaker/Road River contact (view to southwest)
- 7- Whittaker/Road River contact (view to north)
- 8- Area 3 (view north)
- 9- Area 3 (view northeast)
- 10- Area 3 (view to south)
- 11- Area 3 (view to east)
- 12- Area 3 (view to west)
- 13- Area 3- (view to south)
- 14- Area 3- (view to north)
- 15- Area 3 (view to west)
- 16- Area 2 ($62^{\circ} 29' 124^{\circ} 55'$, looking west)
- 17- Area 2 ($62^{\circ} 29' 124^{\circ} 55'$, looking north)
- 18- Area 2 ($62^{\circ} 29' 124^{\circ} 55'$, looking south)
- 19-23- Sheep shots

Roll 3:

[CD-B Img00052.jpg – Img00073.jpg]

Index card number: 0-11- Sheep shots

- 12-13- Ram Plateau
- 14-15- Battlement Thrust
- 16-17- Ram Plateau
- 18-19- Scenery shots
- 20- Mine adit

Roll 4:

[CD-A Img00051.jpg – Img00075.jpg]

Index card number: 0-1- Mine site (view to south)

- 2-3- Personnel (Todd Burlingame)
- 4-5- Road River shales (Morrow section 11)
- 6-8- Mine site
- 9-11- Personnel (Tim Seeley, Angus Konisenta)
- 12-14- Battlement Thrust (view to north)
- 15-19- Battlement Thrust (view to west)
- 20- Ram Plateau
- 21-23- Funeral Shales ($61^{\circ} 49' 125^{\circ} 37'$)
- 24 Personnel (Tim Seeley, Angus Konisenta)

Roll 8:

[CD-B Img00026.jpg – Img00051.jpg]

Index card number: 0- Funeral Formation

1-2- North of Grainger River along Nahanni Thrust)

3-4- Little Doctor Lake

5- Contact between Mt. Kindle/Silurian Sandstone (view north, $61^{\circ} 55' 123^{\circ} 20'$)

6-7- Mt. Kindle Formation

8- Personnel (Tim Seeley, Angus Konisenta)

9-10- Contact between Arrica and Silurian sandstone ($61^{\circ} 55' 123^{\circ} 20'$)

11-12- Contact between Silurian sandstone and Mt. Kindle formation ($61^{\circ} 55' 123^{\circ} 20'$)

13-25- Prairie Creek Mine winter road (see map)

Roll 9:

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Index card number- 0-13- Prairie Creek Mine winter road (see map)

14-18- Scenery shots

19- Nahanni Thrust

20-21- Little Doctor Lake

22-23- Lone Mountain

24- Nahanni Thrust