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OTIS PROPERTY

INTRODUCTION

The Otis Claims were staked to cover a uranium occurrence found by Wernecke Joint Venture (Standard Oil Company of B.C., Limited, Aquitaine Company of Canada, Ltd., and Messrs. L. and H. Clay) in June 1975. Minor quantities of radioactive float were located along a strong north trending fault. Further prospecting located more mineralization along an intersecting west trending fault and both structures were staked in June of 1975. Reconnaissance prospecting over the claim group plus a grid soil sampling and radiometric survey were carried out along most of the west trending structure.

In 1976, this property was optioned to Eldorado Nuclear Limited and further prospecting plus a radiometric grid over the north trending structure were carried out. A trench was dug at the point indicating the highest surface radioactivity. Personnel involved with this program were geologist James Griffin on June 24 to 27, 30, and July 1 and 2; field man Jack Dennet on 23 June, and A. Ogilvy on 30 June; July 1 and 2. This work was carried out under the direct supervision of senior geologist Colin J. Riley who was on the property June 23, 24, 27 and 30. The project was managed by Archer, Cathro and Associates, Ltd.

This work was carried out under Atomic Energy Control Board Exploration Permit #MX18/76 issued to Eldorado Nuclear Limited covering exploration work in the Yukon Territory.

PROPERTY LOCATION AND ACCESS

The property consists of 64 contiguous mineral claims recorded in the Mayo Mining Division as follows:

<u>CLAIM NAME</u>	<u>GRANT NUMBERS</u>	<u>EXPIRY DATE</u>
Otis 1-4	Y97426-Y97429	17 March, 1977
Otis 5-20	Y97430-Y97445	17 March, 1978
Otis 21-64	Y97446-Y97489	17 March, 1977

The property is located at latitude 65°02' N and longitude 134°24' W on NTS Claim Sheet 106E/1. Access is by helicopter from Kiwi Lake, 14 miles to the northwest, which can be reached by float equipped aircraft from a charter base at Mayo, 120 miles to the southwest.

GEOLOGY AND MINERALIZATION

The property is mostly underlain by a green silicic to argillitic meta volcanic containing thin banded cherty tuffs. This unit is in fault contact with a younger grey to black pyritic phyllite and argillite. This sequence has been intruded by an explosive gas venting event which forms a polymict breccia containing fragments of chert, volcanic, argillite and carbonate set in a carbonitized matrix. This event has also served to alter the more limy portions of the country rock to a differentially weathering grey-green to reddish calc silicate by the addition of calcium carbonate.

The main structural features are a north striking vertical fault which is offset or terminated to the south by a west trending steeply south dipping fault. Both faults weather recessively and form strong surface linears. The fault zones are composed of brecciated country rocks cemented by quartz and chert with minor hematite and chlorite. Uranium is found as occasional coarse disseminations of brannerite that are usually surrounded by a brick red one to four inch halo of hematite alteration. The north slope and north striking fault were prospected and the only mineralization located was contained in or close to the fault. A grid was established along the most interesting portion of the north striking fault. A baseline with stations at 25 metre intervals marked by 1 metre high wooden pickets, was laid out. Radiometric readings were

taken using a Scintrex BGS 1S total count scintillometer at 15 metre intervals along cross lines separated by 25 metres to cover the area of the fault. In places, topography did not allow the full extension of these lines. The results are plotted on Figure 0-3 showing the grid and survey plus a few high spots located during this survey. The general background for the area is around 35 cps. and the highest point located ran 800 cps. A trench, 6 feet by 2 feet by 1 to 2 feet deep, was dug to bedrock at this point and a grab sample assayed 62 ppm U.

A fracture in the hanging wall of the main north south shear contains brannerite on the shear zone with surrounding red hematite alteration. A selected assay from this area ran 0.16 U₃O₈.

Specimens of brannerite from the east striking and north striking faults were dated by Teledyne Isotopes, Westwood, N.J., using the U/PB method of determination. The age of the specimen from the east striking fault is 623 million years and from the north striking fault, 929 million years. This would place mineralization in the mid to lower Hadrynian. It is possible that both mineralization and the explosive gas event are related to the boundary of the Helikian and Hadrynian.

CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Prospecting of the area located only very minor mineralization in widely scattered localities. Mineralization in all cases was controlled in fractures associated with the faults and consists of small discrete pieces of brannerite on fracture planes. In all cases, the typical red hematite alteration halo was present. Prospecting to the west of the north striking fault located only calc silicate rocks with no mineralization. The radiometric survey, which extended for 1400 metres along the north striking fault, failed to locate any substantial areas of mineralization. A few areas of double background with the odd spot high, directly related to brannerite in fractures, were located. The highest reading was obtained at 825 metres north and was hand trenched.

Mineralization was determined to be spotty brannerite in fractures. All mineralization located to date has been located in small fractures associated with the fault. It is postulated that the explosive breccia formed a dilation zone to allow introduction of uranium mineralization which was then deposited in these fractures. It would thus appear that this property has no tonnage potential.

It is recommended that no further work be carried out.

APPENDIX "A"

Specimen Description

Specimen A - Brannerite in weakly fractured light coloured Unit 3 metavolcanics from the Main Showing at the north end of Quartet Mountain on the Wernecke claims. A K-Ar date of 1.03 billion years was obtained from a specimen of Unit 3 in the same area but slightly higher (100' ±) in the section.

Specimen B - Brannerite crystal in weakly quartz veined Unit 5 argillite from the locality now staked as the Gnuckles claims.

* Specimen C - Brannerite crystal from the east striking vein on the Otis claims.

* Specimen D - Brannerite crystal from the north striking vein on the Otis claims.

Specimen E - Small pocket of pitchblende from a barite vein cutting hematite on the Igor claims.

Specimen F - Pitchblende in carbonate-Unit 3 breccia from headwall of Pterd cirque. The original specimen assayed 7.67% U_3O_8 and is described on page 52 of the 1975 WJV report.

28 July 1976

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 Archer, Cathro and Assoc. Ltd.
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Dear Mr. Archer:

Re: W. O. 3-4589-142

We have analyzed the six uranium bearing minerals submitted to us for U/Pb age determinations with the following results:

Sample	% U	% Pb	Isotopic Abundance (Atom %)				Isotopic Ratios		
			Pb ²⁰⁴	Pb ²⁰⁶	Pb ²⁰⁷	Pb ²⁰⁸	$\frac{Pb^{206}}{U^{238}}$	$\frac{Pb^{207}}{U^{235}}$	$\frac{Pb^{207}}{Pb^{206}}$
A	34.69	1.286	.012	90.634	5.764	3.590	.03930	.3374	.0636
B	34.84	0.442	.020	88.495	5.619	5.866	.01317	.1112	.0635
C	22.24	0.438	.010	87.899	5.286	6.805	.02022	.1645	.0601
D	25.97	0.641	.052	88.388	6.132	5.428	.02593	.2275	.0694
E	4.986	0.886	.0090	91.937	7.469	.585	.1908	2.113	.0812
F	14.86	0.675	.035	92.590	5.840	1.535	.04965	.4068	.0631

The ages of the minerals were calculated as follows:

Sample	Pb^{208}/U^{238} (m.y.)	Pb^{207}/U^{235} (m.y.)	Pb^{207}/Pb^{206}
A	249	295	745
B	84	107	742
C	129	155	623
D	165	208	929
E	1126	1153	1249
F	312	346	728

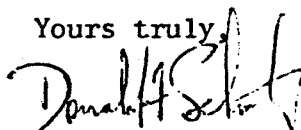
The pattern of these ages is in all cases typical of that which develops when lead is lost or uranium is gained in the system. Detailed interpretation of discordant ages is beyond the scope of our routine analytical services inasmuch as a knowledge

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of the geological relationships of the minerals is required. I have, however, enclosed a discussion of discordant ages from Lead Isotopes in Geology (Russell-Farquhar, 1960) to provide you with some basic information on interpretation of the data.

If I can be of help to you in pursuing further study of the data presented, please let me know.

Yours truly,



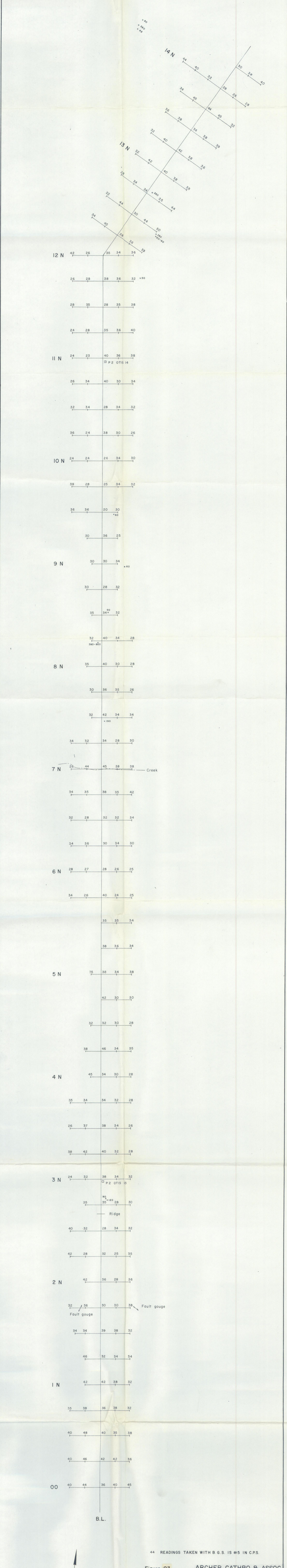
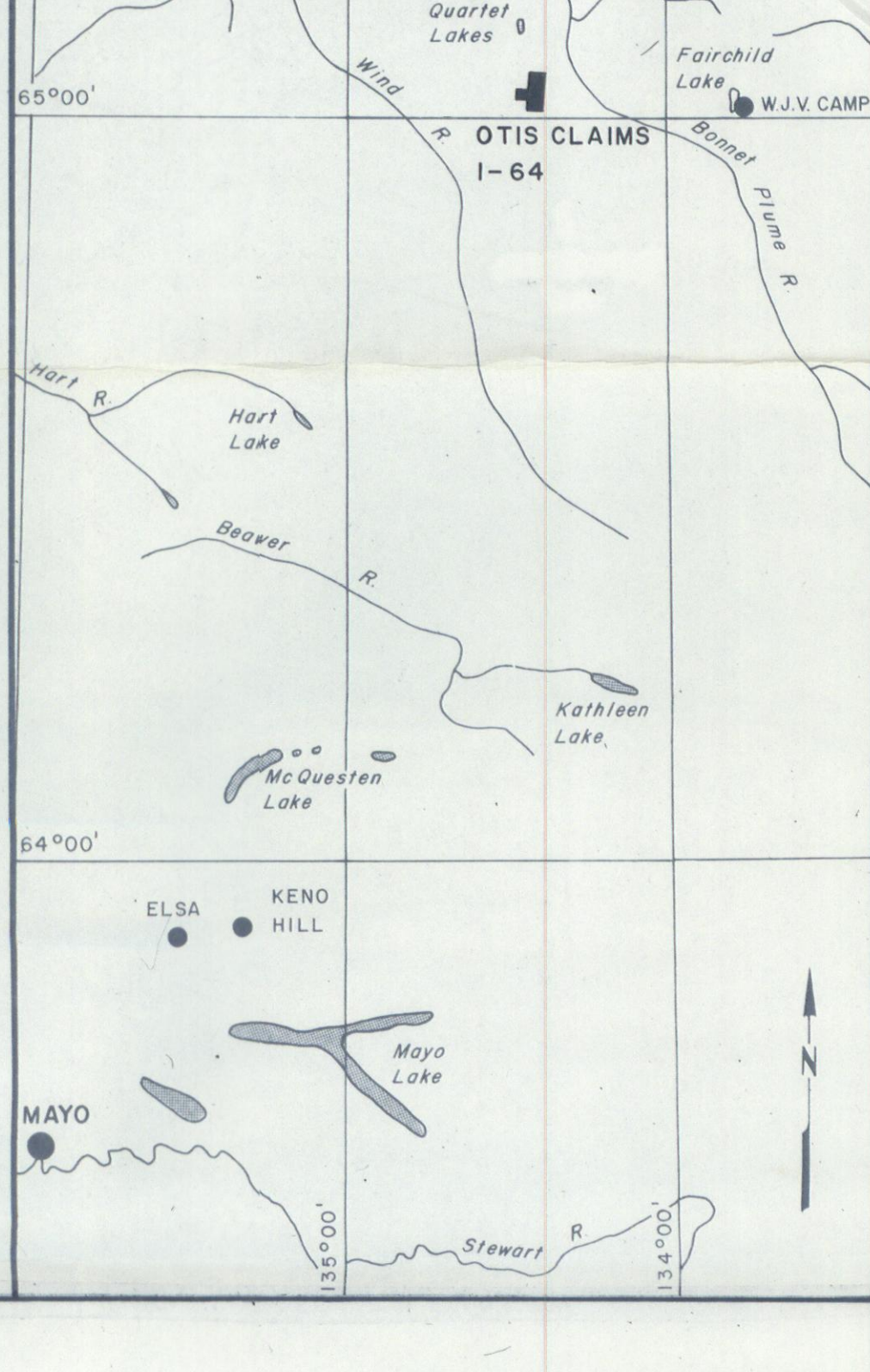
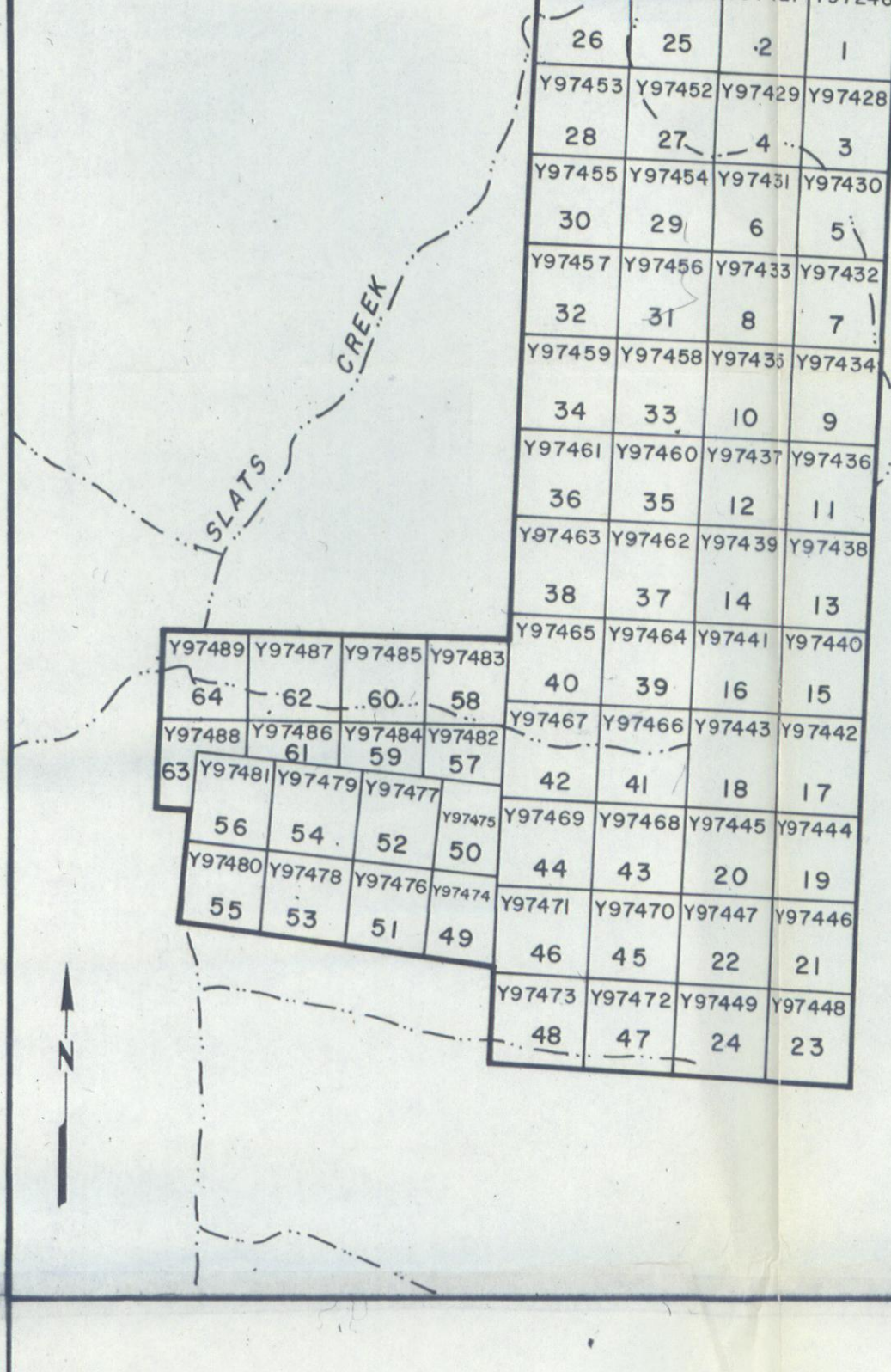
Donald F. Schutz
President

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enclosure: Pages 104-107, Lead Isotopes in Geology,
Russell-Farquhar, 1960

OTIS CLAIMS I-64
MAYO MINING DIVISION
1" = 1/2 MILE
0 1/4 1/2 1 mi

LOCATION MAP
OTIS CLAIMS I-64
MAYO MINING DIVISION
CLAIM SHEET 106E-1
1" = 15 MILES
0 5 10 20 30 mi



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Figure 03 ARCHER CATHRO & ASSOC.

WERNECKE JOINT VENTURE

RADIOMETRIC SURVEY

of

Otis Property

1 cm = 10 metres

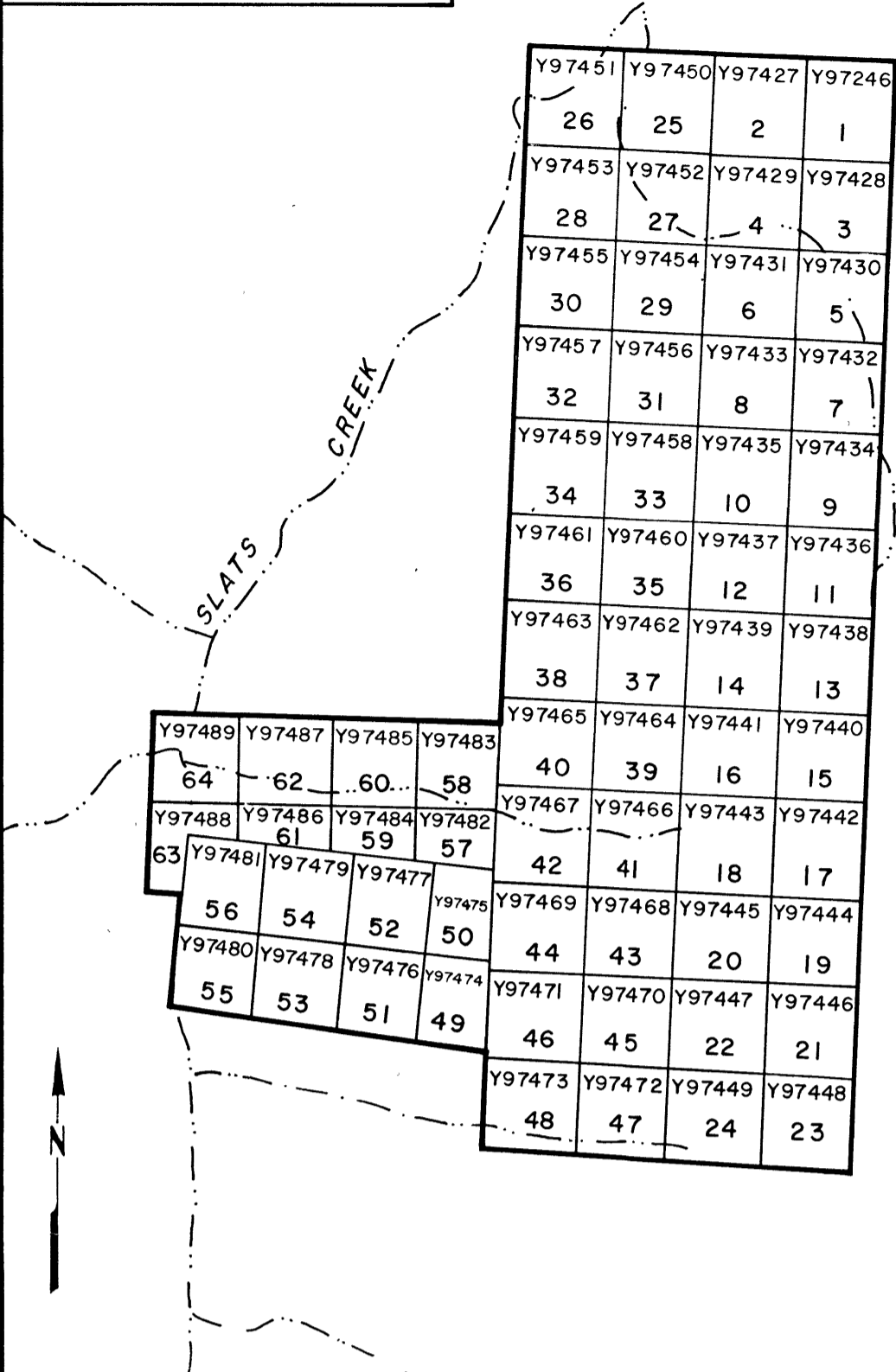
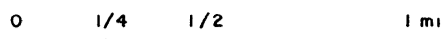
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1" = 1/2 MILE



LOCATION MAP
OTIS CLAIMS I-64
MAYO MINING DIVISION
CLAIM SHEET 106E-1

1" = 15 MILES

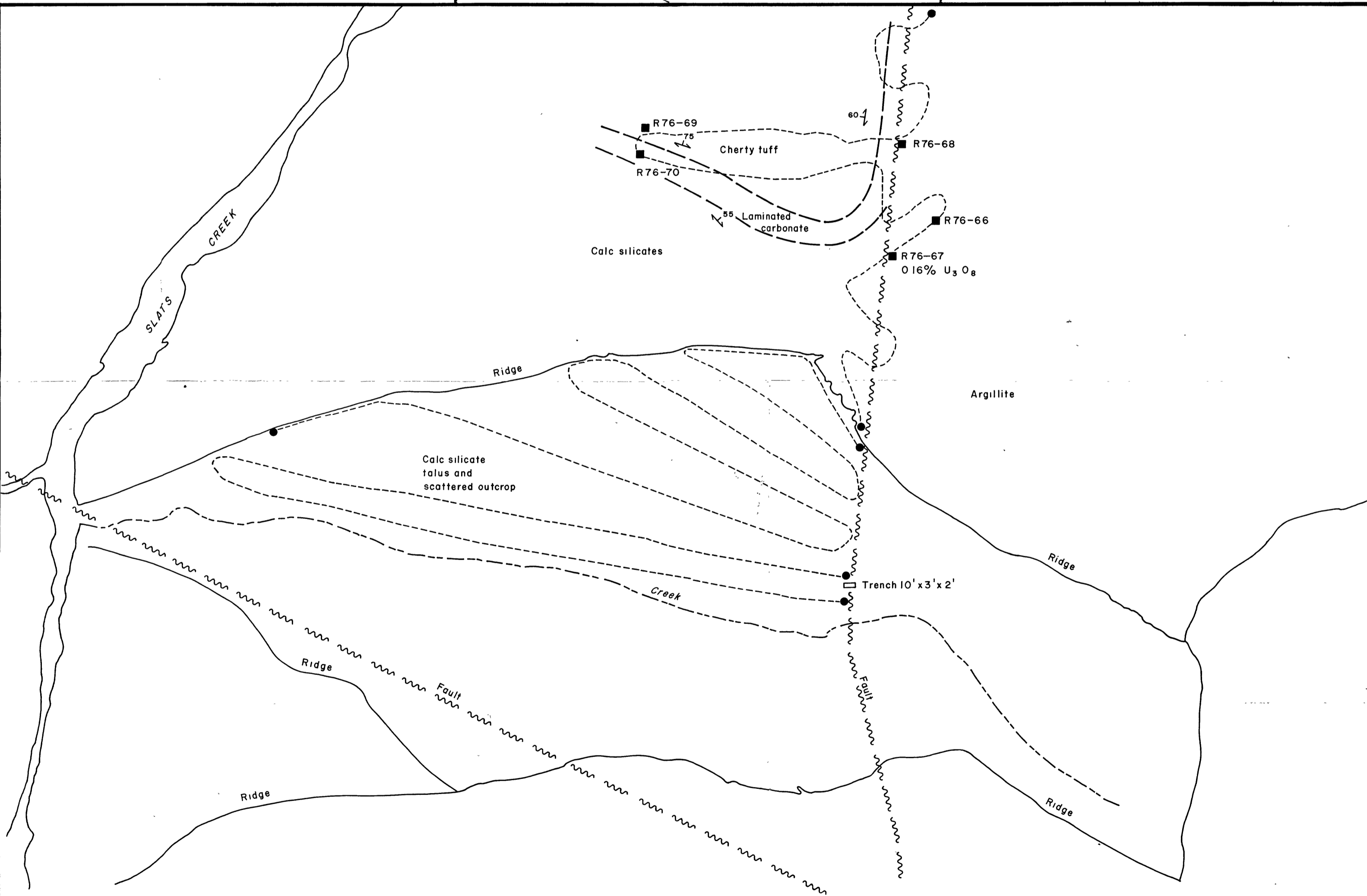
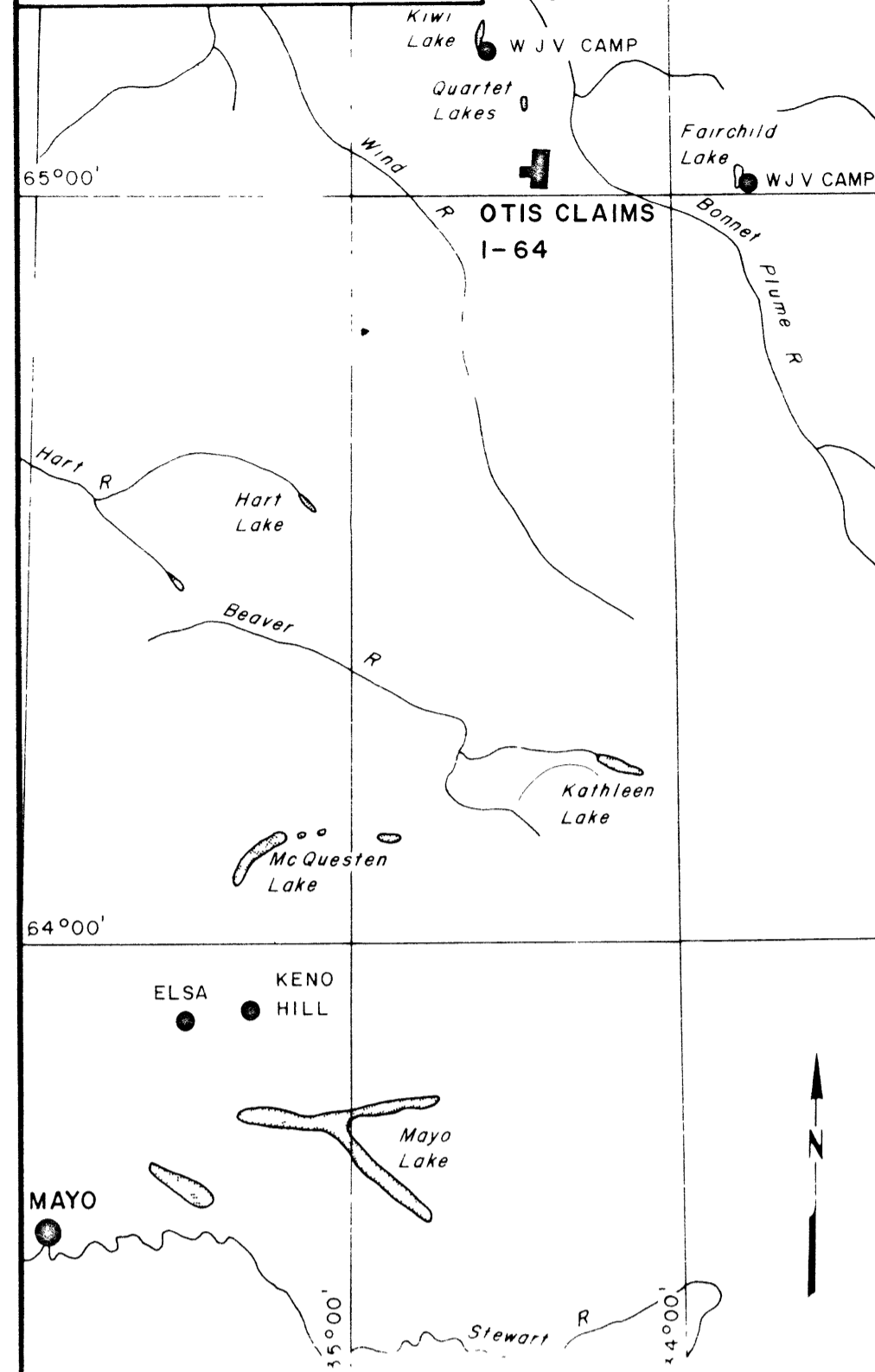


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WERNECKE JOINT VENTURE

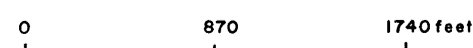
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PROSPECTING MAP
of
Otis Claims

1" = 870'

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- R76-66 SAMPLE NUMBERS
- TRAVERSE LINES