PROVINCE OR TERRITORY

PROVINCE OU TERRITOIRE British Columbia

N.T.S. AREA 82 F/14 RÉGION DU S.N.R.C.

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NAME OF PROPERTY NOONDAY, CURLEY NOM DE LA PROPRIÉTÉ **OBJECT LOCATED** OBJET LOCALISÉ Long. 117⁰21 49055145" UNCERTAINTY FACTEUR D'INCERTITUDE Lat. Long. Mining Division Slocan Kootenay District Division minière District County Township or Parish Canton ou paroisse Comté Lot Concession or Range Lot Concession ou rana Sec Tp. R. Sect. Ct.

OWNER OR OPERATOR/PROPRIÉTAIRE OU EXPLOITANT

DESCRIPTION OF DEPOSIT/DESCRIPTION DU GISEMENT

The underlying rocks, consists of patches or narrow belts of argillaceous Slocan sediments included in coarse grained granitic rocks of the Nelson batholith. The workings are mainly in the sedimentary rocks. The lode strikes S68°E into the hill and dips at a low angle northeasterly. To the west the lode has been correlated with the so-called "Noonday Lode" of the Galena Farm property, about 1,500 feet west from the Noonday workings, though there is considerable doubt as to the correctness of this interpretation. In the opposite direction, towards the face of the upper two Noonday adits, the lode is faulted and has not been investigated beyond. Above the upper adit a considerable shoot of ore was stoped to the surface in 1899. Aside from this ore shoot comparatively little mineralization has been discovered.

HISTORY OF EXPLORATION AND DEVELOPMENT HISTORIQUE DE L'EXPLORATION ET DE LA MISE EN VALEUR

The Noonday and Curley claims are located between elevations of 2,700 and 3,000 feet on Hasty (Gold) Creek, on the east side of Slocan Lake, about $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles south-southeast of Silverton. The claims are adjoined on the west by the Galena Farm property, and on the east by the Hazard claim which, along with the New Park, Pembroke, and other claims extend single file eastward for about 1 mile to join the west end of the Hewitt property.

The Noonday (Lot 1334) and Curley (Lot 1335) claims were located in about 1896 and were Crown-granted to E. McNicholl & Associates in 1897. The owners worked the property until about 1901, after which lessees operated for a short period. Work on the property ceased in about 1902. Four adits were driven; the upper two, each between 300 and 400 feet long, were driven on the lode. By 1904 ownership of the claims had passed to R. Wilson-Smith and the Bank of Montreal.

Some 35 claims in the Galena Farm, Noonday, Hazard, and Hewitt groups were optioned in 1928 by interests who, in April 1929, formed Galena Farm Consolidated Mines, Limited. Exploration and development work by the company was suspended in 1930 due to low metal prices, and the option on the Noonday group was subsequently dropped. No exploration or development work was reported by the company on the Noonday group.

No further activity was reported on the Noonday and Curley claims until 1950. At this time the claims, still owned by R. Wilson-Smith and the Bank of Montreal, were leased to A. Erickson who subleased the property to G.W. Lyon, A. Lyon, and H. Cleaver, of Silverton. During the year about 50 tons of backfill was drawn from an old stope near the portal of the upper adit. The property was idle again until 1954 when lessees did some underhand mining about 200 feet from the portal of the main adit. Further work was done by lessees in 1956 and a small amount of high grade ore was shipped. In 1958 an outcrop of ore was exposed by hydraulicking in the bed of Hasty Creek immediately below the lowest portal of the Noonday workings; lessees shipped 88 tons of ore during the year.

HISTORY OF PRODUCTION/HISTORIQUE DE LA PRODUCTION

From 1899 to 1958, 611 tons of ore were shipped from this property. From this ore 3 ounces of gold, 48,185 ounces of silver, 227,196 pounds of lead, 27,652 pounds of zinc, and 529 pounds of cadmium were recovered.

MAP REFERENCES/RÉFÉRENCES CARTOGRAPHIQUES

Map 273 A, Sandon, B.C., (Geol.), Sc. 1":4,000 feet - accomp. Memoir 173.

Map 1090 A, Nelson, B.C., (Geol.), Sc. 1":4 miles - accomp. Memoir 308.

Map 82 F/14 W, Slocan, B.C., (Topo.), Sc. 1:50,000.

REMARKS/REMARQUES

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