PROVINCE OR PROVINCE OU TERRITORY TERRITOIRE British Columbia RÉGION DU S.N.R.C.

#### NAME OF PROPERTY NOM DE LA PROPRIÉTÉ MARTEN Geographic OBJECT LOCATED **OBJET LOCALISÉ** Lat. 49°34'30" 114°47'10" UNCERTAINTY 1000 m Long. FACTEUR D'INCERTITUDE Lat. Long. Mining Division District Fort Steele Kootenay Division minière District County Township or Parish Comté Canton ou paroisse Lot Concession or Range Lot Concession ou rang

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OWNER OR OPERATOR/PROPRIÉTAIRE OU EXPLOITANT

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## DESCRIPTION OF DEPOSIT/DESCRIPTION DU GISEMENT

Map 35-1961 indicates rocks in this vicinity include the Pennsylvanian-Permian Rocky Mountain Formation on the east side of Michel Creek, and further to the east a thin section of Triassic Spray River and the Jurassic Fernie Group. The underground workings exposed a phosphate horizon with a width of 2.25' and average grade of 55 % tri-calcium phosphate ( $Ca_3P_2O_8$ ). Some 500 000 tons are indicated by present workings (Cominco 1930 Annual Report, p. 28.)

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

The workings are located between elevations of 4 350' and 4 600' on the east side of Michel Creek, close to the Corbin mine railway, about 5 miles south of McGillivray station and some 6 miles southwest of Crowsnest Pass.

The Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company of Canada Limited (Cominco Ltd) carried out exploration on an extensive area of phosphate-bearing rocks in the Michel Creek area in 1926. Crown-granted rights (Lots 13875 and 13876) were acquire through the Phosphate Act which was then in force but later repealed; the company, however, continued to hold these rights. An exploratory underground mine (Marten) was developed on outcrops at "Cold Springs" in the fall and winter of 1930 and first three months of 1931. Development work included two inclined shafts and a 200+ foot drift adit.

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#### REFERENCES/BIBLIOGRAPHIE

Reports of Minister of Mines, British Columbia: 1926, p. 246; 1930, p. 378; 1931, p. 211; 1967, p. 311.

Mineral Policy Sector; Corporation Files: "Cominco Ltd.".

# MAP REFERENCES/RÉFÉRENCES CARTOGRAPHIQUES

4ap 35-1961, Fernie  $(E_2^1)$ , (Geol.),Sc. 1" = 2 miles - accomp. Paper 61-24, Geol. Surv. of Canada.

Map 82 G/10, Crowsnest, (Topo.), Sc. 1: 50 000.

REMARKS/REMARQUES

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