PROVINCE OR	PROVINCE OU
TERRITORY	TERRITOIRE

ALEXANDER CREEK - LINE CREEK

TERRITOIRE British Columbia

N.T.S. AREA 82 G/15 RÉGION DU S.N.R.C. REF. RÉF. ^{Phs 1}

NAME OF PROPERTY NOM DE LA PROPRIÉTÉ

PHOSPHATE

OBJECT LOCATED OBJET LOCALISÉ

PRODUCT

PRODUIT

	ERTAINTY TEUR D'INCERTI	TUDE	Lat. <i>Lat.</i>	49°49'	Long. <i>Long.</i>	114°43'	
	Mining Division Division minière	Fort	Steele	District District	Kootenay		
	County Comté			ship or Parish on ou paroisse			
Lot Lot			Concession or Range Concession ou rang				
	Sec Sect.		р. Х.	R. <i>R.</i>			

OWNER OR OPERATOR/PROPRIÉTAIRE OU EXPLOITANT

DESCRIPTION OF DEPOSIT/DESCRIPTION DU GISEMENT

Phosphate at the base of the Jurassic Fernie Formation can be traced in this area for a strike length of 15 km. The strata dip 40° to 75° easterly. Phosphate content ranges from a low of 3.7 % $P_{0.5}$ in a drill hole to a high of 23.7 % $P_{20_{5}}$ across 1.6 m in a back-hoe trench.

The Exshaw Formation (Devonian-Mississippian) in this area contains pelletal and nodular phosphate in a basal sandstone horizon and 3 other horizons.

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

Alexander Creek flows southerly, parallel to and just west of the Alberta boundary in the vicinity of Crowsnest Pass The Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company of Canada Limited (Cominco Ltd) in 1930 prospected showings at about 7 000 feet elevation over a wide area at the head of Alexander Creek, east side of Erickson Ridge; and extending north to the Line Creek area; work was done in 5 adits and 13 shallow shaft This work indicated a grade similar to the Crowsnest deposit but with a somewhat higher silica content, offering some promise of raising the grade by concentration. Reserves in this vicinity were estimated at several million tons (Cominco Ltd Annual Report, 1930, p. 27).

Associated minerals or products *Minéraux ou produits associés*

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ISTORY OF PRODUCTION/HISTORIQUE DE LA PRODUCTION

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REMARKS/REMARQUES

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