Overview

Exploration highlights

- Drilling: 102,920 m
- Exploration expenditures: $55.4 million
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smelter (Teck Resources Limited) is still in operation.

Several industrial mineral mines produce quartz, magnesite, and gypsum, and new gypsum mine is currently under construction (Kootenay East Ventures, Inc.). Other industrial products, such as sand/rip-rap, flagstone, railroad ballast, and other industrial products, are produced from a variety of deposits.

Exploration is also ongoing for other minerals, including graphite and other strategic metals.

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Exploration continued for precious and base metals, mostly in veins and stockworks, SEDEX, VMS, stratabound, and carbonate replacement.

Coal mining highlights

- Total annual coal production for the region in 2020: 20.9 Mt
- Four major coal projects in the Southeast region: Fording River, Greenhills, Line Creek, Elkview
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Further information
