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GEOLOGY AND NOBLE METAL GEOCHEMISTRY OF THE TURNAGAIN ULTRAMAFIC COMPLEX

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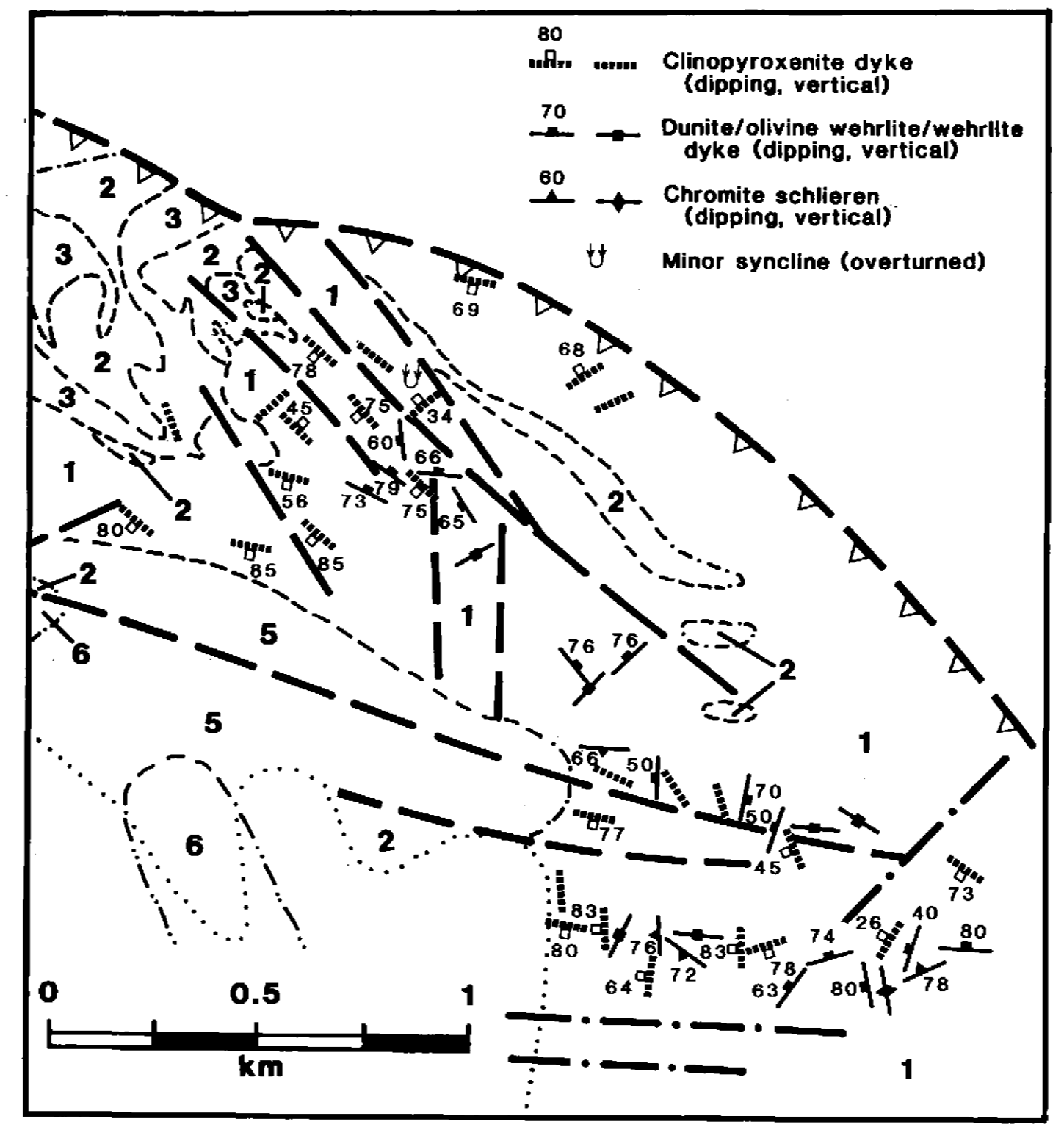
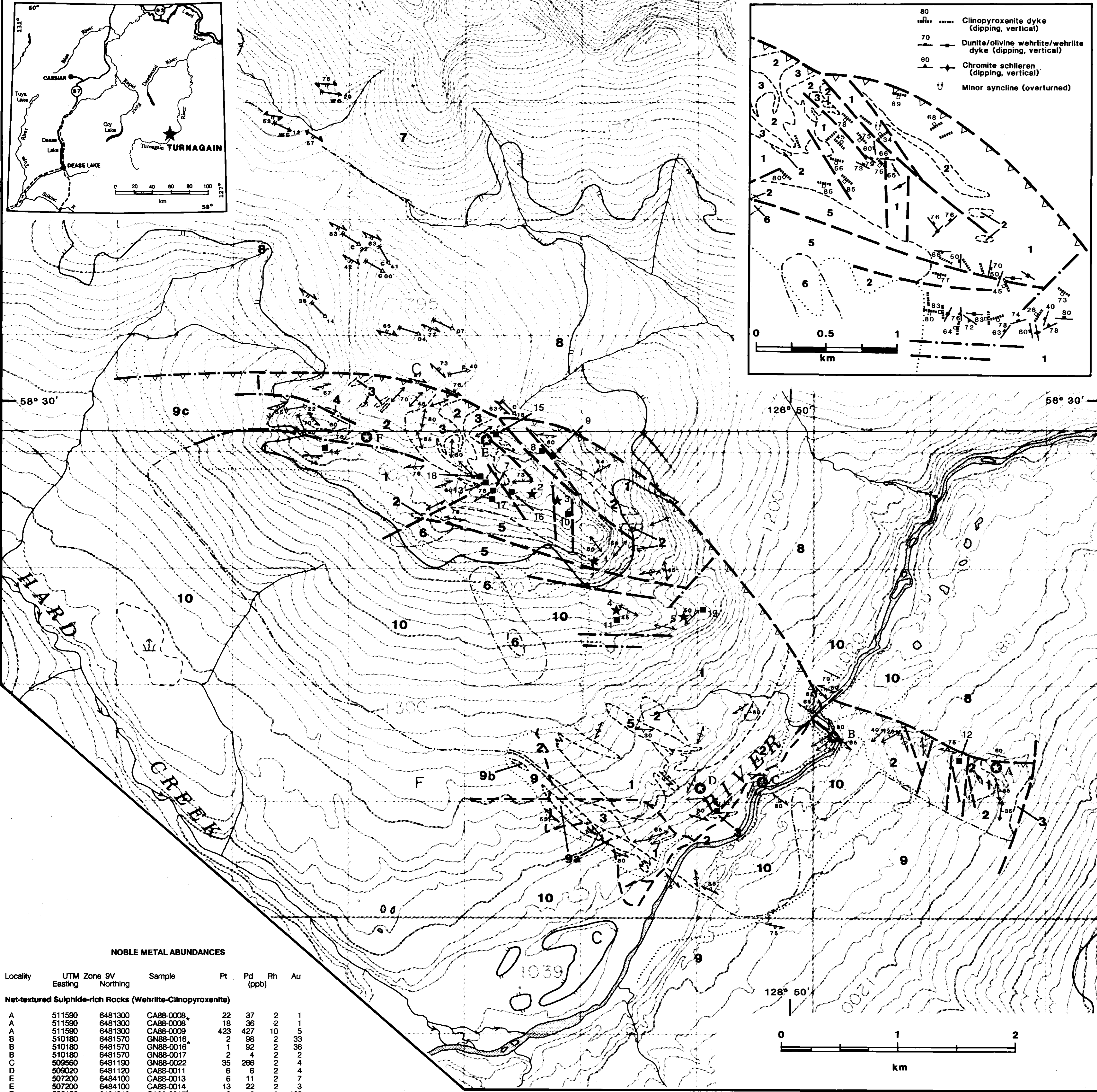
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 LEGEND

- LAYERED ROCKS**
- PLEISTOCENE TO RECENT**
- 10 FLUVIAL AND GLACIAL DEPOSITS (SAND, SILT, GRAVEL, AND TILL)
- UPPER PALEOZOIC**
- 9 HARPER RANCH GROUP: UNDIFFERENTIATED METASEDIMENTARY AND METAVOLCANIC ROCKS
 - 9a mafic sill
 - 9b gneiss
 - 9c siltstone, greywacke and tuffaceous sandstone metamorphosed to upper greenschist facies
- PALEOZOIC (UNDIVIDED)**
- 8 GRAPHIC SLATE AND PHYLITE, MINOR SLISTONE
- UPPER PROTEROZOIC TO LOWER CAMBRIAN**
- 7 ATAN FORMATION: ARGILLITE, SLISTONE, MINOR QUARTZITE AND LIMESTONE

- INTRUSIVE ROCKS**
- EARLY JURASSIC (?)**
- 6 GRANODIORITE

- TURNAGAIN ULTRAMAFIC COMPLEX**
- LATE TRIASSIC (?)**
- 5 SERPENTINITE
- 4 HORNBLENDE AND FELDSPATHIC HORNBLENDE
- 3 OLIVINE CLINOPYROXENITE (40-10% OLIVINE, 50-90% CLINOPYROXENE) AND CLINOPYROXENITE (10-20% OLIVINE, 100-90% CLINOPYROXENE)
- 2 WEHLITE (90-100% OLIVINE, 60-10% CLINOPYROXENE) WITH MINOR DUNITE, OLIVINE CLINOPYROXENITE, CLINOPYROXENITE AND HORNBLENDE
- 1 DUNITE (100-90% OLIVINE, 10-0% CLINOPYROXENE)

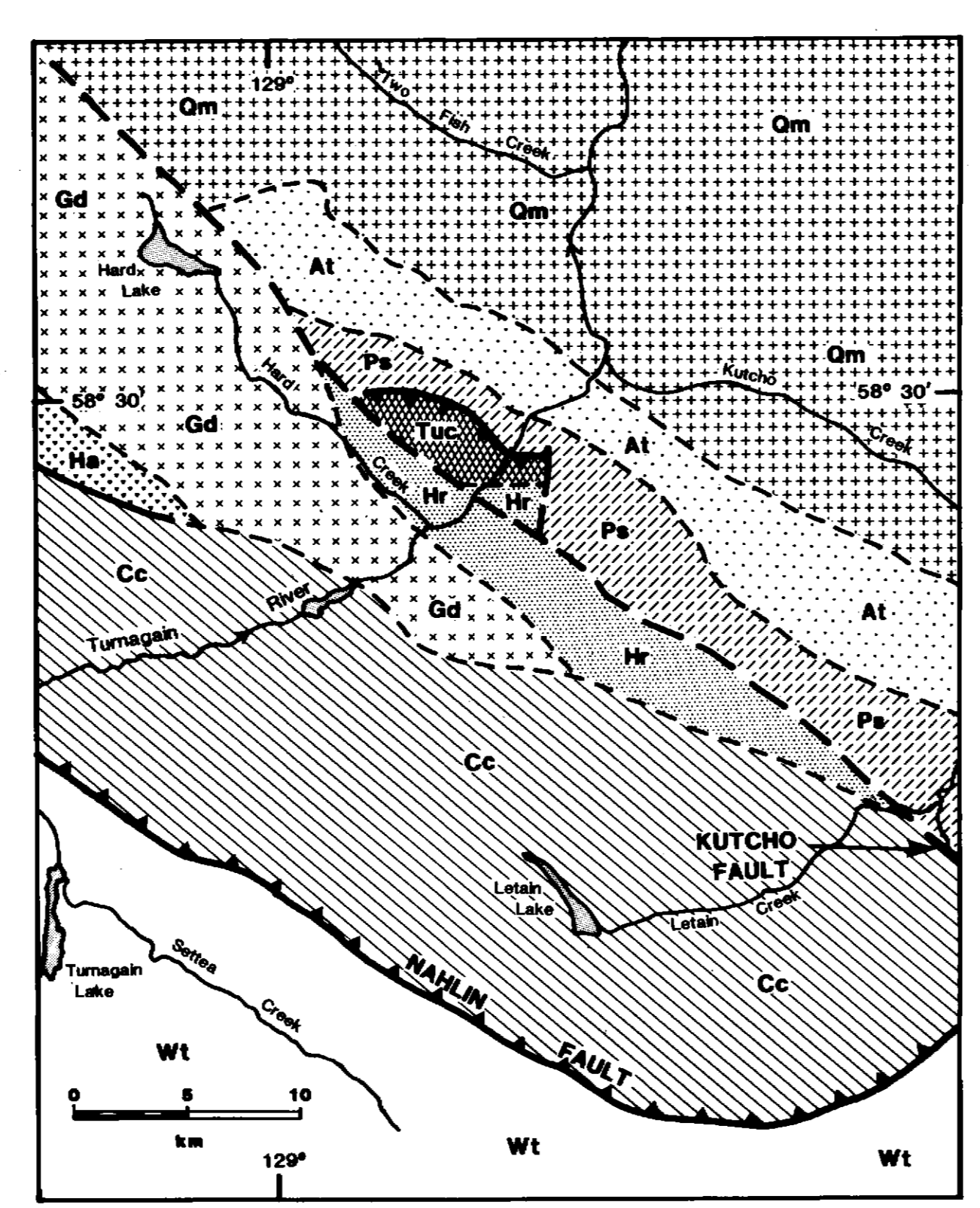
- SYMBOLS**
- Geological boundaries (defined or approximate, assumed) - - - - -
- Geological boundary inferred from aeromagnetic data - - - - -
- Bedding (S₀) attitude (inclined, vertical) 60°
- Igneous layering (strike, inclined, vertical) ↔ ↔ ↔ ↔
- Schistosity or foliation attitude:
- S₂ (transposed S₁) 60°
- F₂ axial plane ↘ ↙
- F₂ axial plane + S₂ foliation ↘ ↙
- relative age unknown (inclined, vertical) ↘ ↙
- Lineation ↖ ↗
- F₂ minor fold axis (with crenulation) ↖ ↗
- Crenulation of S₀/S₁ ↖ ↗
- High-angle fault or shear zone (defined or approximate, inferred) - - - - -
- Reverse or thrust fault (inferred, assumed) - - - - -
- Limit of outcrop - - - - -
- Geochemical sample site ■
- Chromite locality ☆
- Sulphide showing ⊙



NOBLE METAL ABUNDANCES

Locality	UTM Zone Easting	UTM Zone Northing	Sample	Pt	Pd	Rh	Au
Net-textured Sulphide-rich Rocks (Wehrlite-Clinopyroxenite)							
A	511590	6481300	CAB8-0008	22	37	2	1
A	511590	6481300	CAB8-0008	18	36	2	1
A	511590	6481300	CAB8-0009	423	427	10	5
B	510180	6481570	GN88-0016	2	98	2	33
B	510180	6481570	GN88-0016	1	92	2	36
B	510180	6481570	GN88-0017	2	4	2	2
C	509560	6481190	GN88-0022	35	266	2	4
D	509020	6481120	CAB8-0011	6	6	6	4
E	507200	6484100	CAB8-0013	6	11	11	7
E	507200	6484100	CAB8-0014	13	22	2	3
F	506150	6484040	CAB8-0017	3	6	2	120
Dunite with Chromite Schlieren							
1	508100	6483070	GN88-0027	5	5	4	4
2	507590	6483690	GN88-0037	1	2	2	1
3	507800	6483600	GN88-0041	1	2	2	1
4	508300	6482660	GN88-0047	2	2	2	1
5	508890	6482600	GN88-0049	1	2	2	4
Dunite							
4	508300	6482660	GN88-0048	1	2	2	3
4	508300	6482660	GN88-0048	1	2	2	1
9	507780	6483970	GN88-0033	2	7	2	2
15	507230	6484170	CAB8-0024	45	52	2	2
16	507405	6483990	CAB8-0025	14	25	2	2
17	507230	6483610	CAB8-0026	1	4	2	4
Olivine Clinopyroxenite and Clinopyroxenite							
B	510180	6481570	GN88-0019	9	6	2	3
F	506150	6484150	CAB8-0018	1	4	2	24
F	507250	6483990	GN88-0029	1	5	2	4
18	507130	6483900	CAB8-0027	1	5	2	1
6	509180	6480320	GN88-0014	1	22	2	9
8	507680	6484000	GN88-0031	2	20	2	8
11	508310	6482590	GN88-0046	1	4	2	1
12	511260	6481370	CAB8-0007	3	6	2	1
13	507190	6483750	CAB8-0019	1	4	2	1
14	505800	6484040	CAB8-0020	1	2	2	1
9	507780	6483970	GN88-0034	2	21	2	1
Wehrlite							
19	509060	6482680	GC88-0005	1	2	2	1
10	507890	6483500	GN88-0042	2	2	2	2

* Duplicate sample analyzed.
 † Talcose.
 Sulphide showings: A, Cliff Zone; B, Discovery; C, Fishing Rocks; D, Horseshell; E, Davis #1; F, Davis #2.
 Noble metals were preconcentrated by fire assay using 30g splits of 200g of rock powder (<200 mesh) and analyzed by inductively-coupled plasma mass spectroscopy by Acme Analytical Laboratories, Vancouver.
 Detection limits: Pt and Au 1 ppb; Pd and Rh 2 ppb.
 Accuracy was checked by in-house standard FA-5X (Acme) which contains 100, 100, 20 and 100 ppb Pt, Pd, Rh and Au respectively, and gave on analysis an arithmetic mean (n=7) of 100 ppb Pt (range = 96-104); 99 ppb Pd (96-102); 21 ppb Rh (19-24); and 100 ppb Au (96-104).



- INTRUSIVE ROCKS**
- MID-CRETACEOUS
- CLIFF ZONE MONZONITE AND GRANODIORITE
 - CLIFF ZONE QUARTZ MONZONITE AND GRANODIORITE (CASSIAR TERRANE)
- EARLY JURASSIC
- GRANODIORITE, QUARTZ DIORITE AND DIORITE
- LATE TRIASSIC (?)
- TURNAGAIN ULTRAMAFIC COMPLEX
- LAYERED ROCKS**
- LOWER TO MIDDLE JURASSIC
- ATAN FORMATION: SHALE, SLISTONE, GREYWACKE AND CONGLOMERATE (DERIVED FROM QUERBELLA)
- UPPER TRIASSIC TO LOWER JURASSIC
- INTERMEDIATE TO FELSIC VOLCANIC, PYROCLASTIC AND EFFLUVIAC ROCKS (INTERPOSED THROUGH OVERLAP ASSEMBLAGE)
- UPPER PALEOZOIC
- CACHE CREEK GROUP: VOLCANIC AND VOLCANICLASTIC ROCKS, CHERT (LIMESTONE, AND OPHIOLITE ASSEMBLAGES (CACHE CREEK TERRANE))
 - HARPER RANCH GROUP: METAVOLCANIC AND METASEDIMENTARY ROCKS (QUERBELLA)
- PALEOZOIC (UNDIVIDED)
- SLISTONE, MICACIOUS PHYLITES AND ARGILLITES (CASSIAR TERRANE)
- UPPER PROTEROZOIC TO LOWER CAMBRIAN
- ATAN FORMATION: ARGILLITE, SLISTONE, QUARTZITE AND LIMESTONE (CASSIAR TERRANE)

