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## K/Ar AGE DETERMINATIONS WREDE CREEK ZONED ULTRAMAFIC COMPLEX (94D/9E)

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The Wrede Creek ultramafic complex is one of several zoned or Alaskan-type ultramafic bodies in the McConnell Creek and Aiken Lake map-areas of north-central British Columbia. The ultramafic body, composed of a dunite core with a pyroxenitic margin, occurs within volcanic rocks of the Upper Triassic Takla Group. K/Ar dating of hornblende from pegmatitic segregations within the dunite gave ages of  $219 \pm 10$  Ma and  $225 \pm 8$  Ma, suggesting a possible genetic relationship between the ultramafic and volcanic rocks. Secondary biotite developed in similar hornblende pegmatite yielded a K/Ar date of  $175 \pm 5$  Ma, while hornblende from a diorite dyke cutting the ultramafic complex gave an age of  $172 \pm 6$  Ma. The latter two ages are correlative with Middle Jurassic plutonism represented in the area by the Hogem batholith. Analytical data are listed in the accompanying table, page 156.

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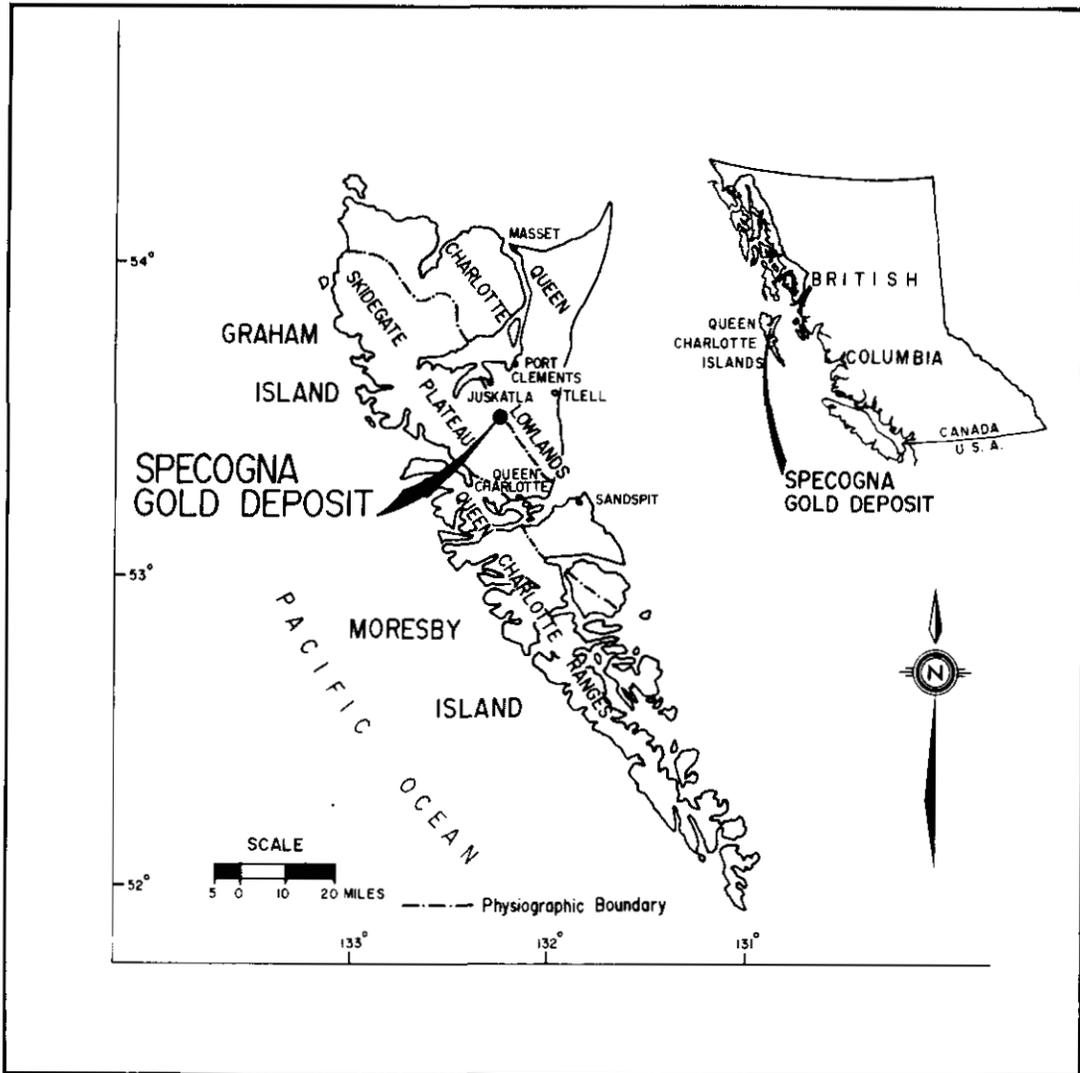


Figure 48. Location of Specogna gold deposit.