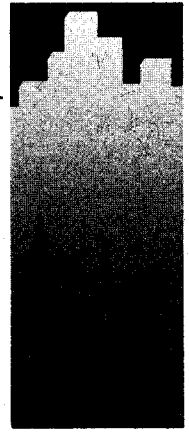


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In 1997 a phase III follow-up assessment was performed based on the recommendations of the phase II assessment. The follow-up work included waste rock sampling where additional data was required, and water quality monitoring of adit water, seeps, and receiving water bodies and to identify seasonal variations in contaminant loadings upstream and downstream of the main site and waste rock piles. Laboratory leachate extraction tests were completed to characterize the soluble constituents of the waste rock.

The conclusions of the Phase III program are as follows:

- Conclusion 1.** There is no decrease in water quality in Big Thing Creek downstream of the mine site.
- Conclusion 2.** Acid rock generation is occurring in the waste rock but is not impacting significant receptors.
- Conclusion 3.** Due to the age of the site, it is not expected that significant impacts are likely due to waste rock acid rock drainage.

The following recommendation regards the specific objectives outlined in this report and is to be used in conjunction with recommendations outlined in the March 1997, Phase II report where appropriate:

- Recommendation.** No further action regarding water quality is recommended at this time.

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1.0 INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

In 1993, initial assessments (Phase I) of 49 abandoned Yukon mine exploration and development sites were completed under the Arctic Environmental Strategy - Action on Waste program by DIAND Technical Services. These assessments provided a) a general overview of historical activities, b) described site infrastructure, workings and wastes, c) summarized existing environmental or safety concerns on each site, and d) provided general recommendations for remediation or mitigation work. No rock, soil or water samples were collected for these assessments.

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Conclusions of the Phase II assessment were that the waste rock and ore currently on site are generating acid. Analytical data received to date indicate that the rock piles are not impacting the local environment. However, future impacts cannot be anticipated without an understanding of the local hydrology. At this time, it is unknown whether the environmental quality of the site, as observed during the site visit in August 1996, would remain unchanged with time. The borrow source material and the gravel sampled are not potentially acid generating and would be suitable for use in remedial work.

The recommendations of the Phase II assessment were:

1. A more detailed site assessment is required to assess the potential impacts of the waste rock and to develop an effective remediation plan. There is currently insufficient information to determine whether leaving the piles as is will be environmentally acceptable. It is recommended that to determine metals in WR available for transport, a leachate extraction test should be performed.
2. A monitoring program be undertaken to obtain water quality data during spring freshet, middle summer and late fall conditions. Samples should be collected at BTWQ/STR-101, BTWQ/STR-102, BTWQ/STR-104 and BTWQ/A-103. Any additional seeps observed at the base of the waste rock and ore stockpiles should also be sampled and analyzed. The method detection limits should be CCME for freshwater aquatic life.
3. A preliminary hydrology assessment be completed to estimate the surface run off from the mine site. The results can then be used to determine appropriate remediation measures and future monitoring requirements.

4.2 Surface Hydrology

Both the site and regional drainage are to the east draining into Big Thing Creek, less than 300 m south of the lower adit, and subsequently into Windy Arm of Tagish Lake, approximately 6 km east of the site.

Hydrological and water quality data are not available for Big Thing Creek.

Low seepage volumes were evident from the lower adit and drain towards the stream. Seepage was also detected from below the ore stockpile at the shaft and the site topography lends itself to seepage through the waste rock piles as a result of site drainage and surface infiltration from precipitation

4.3 Climate

The closest climatological information is from the town of Carcross, 60° 11' N, 134° 41' W; 663 m above sea level (Environment Canada, 1980). Total annual precipitation is 211.4 mm. This consists of 118.7 mm of rainfall and 101.3 mm of snowfall. Highest levels of rainfall occur in August and highest levels of snowfall occur in January. Temperatures range from -19.4° C in January to 12.7° C in July. The mean annual temperature is -1.4° C. Due to its higher elevation, Big Thing mine site is assumed to experience colder temperatures.

4.4 Vegetation

Big Thing minesite occurs within the Stikine Highlands ecoregion. Alpine tundra dominates at higher elevations including the area of the mine site, with vegetation including scrub heather, dwarf birch, willow species, grass and lichen. At lower elevations, on the access road to the site, the subalpine ecosystem is dominated by white spruce, alpine fir and white birch. Much of the area surrounding the access road consists of second growth birch and alder that appears to have been cleared in the past.

4.5 Fish and Wildlife Resources

Typical carnivores in the area include grizzly and black bear and wolf. Arctic ground squirrel, pika and yellow-bellied marmots are common rodents in the area. A small colony of hoary marmots was noted at the site. Bird species representative of this alpine habitat include several ptarmigan species and rosy finch. A number of raptors hunt and nest in the area, and waterfowl such as mergansers and harlequin ducks are found in the rivers at lower elevations. It is not currently known whether Big Thing Creek supports a fish population.

4.6 Site Topography and Soils

The soils within the Yukon Stikine Highlands ecoregion are predominantly brunisolic and regosolic. Occasionally, cryosolic soils, dystic brunisols and eutric brunisols are also

found.

The site is located on the south east side of the lower-middle slope of an unnamed peak, approximately 2 km south west of Sugarloaf Mountain. The mine site is situated within a wide valley running approximately east-west with Montana Mountain forming the south side of the valley. Big Thing Creek runs along the valley floor. The north side of the valley is vegetated and gradually sloped with few rock outcroppings.

5.0 SITE ASSESSMENT RESULTS

5.1 Surface Water Quality

Results of analysis of water quality samples are summarized in Table 5.1. Complete analytical methods and results are provided in Appendix A.

Water was flowing from the lower adit only in August 1997 (BTWQ-A-103). A seep sample was collected from below the low grade ore stockpile approximately 50m southwest of the upper adit along the roadcut in August 1996 and 1997 (BTWQ-S-101 and 97-BTWQ-SE1-1). This seep was not flowing in October 1997. Three samples were collected on Big Thing Creek: 500m upstream (97-BTWQ-STR104) and 500m downstream (97-BTWQ-STR102) of the dam, and 100m below the dam (97-BTWQ-STR208). Spring sampling was not completed in this program.

The seep water quality was similar at both sampling events, with near neutral pH and low conductivity (40 $\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$ to 44 $\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$). Concentrations of aluminum, arsenic, cadmium, and iron were above the CCME guidelines during at least one sampling event. The seep disappears into the ground approximately 10 m from where it surfaces.

The flow in Big Thing Creek in August 1997 was 0.137 m^3/s . All samples from the creek had near-neutral pH values and low conductivities. Metals concentrations were below the CCME guidelines for all metals except selenium and aluminum. The selenium concentration was above the guideline in all August 1997 samples (range = 0.004 mg/L to 0.007 mg/L). Selenium is commonly associated with granitoid intrusions, and the elevated concentrations are likely attributable to a high stream load resulting from recent high rainfall. The aluminum concentration in the upstream sample in August 1996 was 1.6 mg/L, significantly higher than other measurements of aluminum in the creek. This high value is probably a result of analytical error. No significant change in water quality was seen between the upstream and downstream samples.

Table 5.1 Significant Results - Big Thing Surface Water Samples

Sample ID	Sample Location	Sample Date	pH	Cond. ($\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$)	Parameters > CCME FAL Criteria
BTWQ-SE-1	seep 50m SW of adit	Aug 1997	7.02	40.2	Al, As, Cd, Fe
		Aug 1996	6.62	44.2	As
BTWQ-ST1-104	500m upstream	Aug 1997	7.0	18.7	Se
		Aug 1996	6.8	15.1	Al
BTWQ-A1-1	lower adit seepage	Aug 1996	5.13	56.1	Al, Cd, Fe, Zn
BTWQ-STR-208	100m upstream	Oct 1997	7.04	49.0	
		Aug 1997	6.98	29.3	Se
		Aug 1996	7.08	21.7	
BTWQ-STR-102	500m downstream	Oct 1997	7.11	35.0	
		Aug 1997	7.23	31.3	Se
		Aug 1996	6.68	22.6	

Notes: FAL = Freshwater Aquatic Life corrected for hardness.

5.2 Soluble Metals Concentrations

Samples BT-WR-P302 and BT-WR-P305-1 were analyzed using bottle roll tests. Sample P302 was collected from near the base of the rock pile below the upper inclined shaft. Sample P305-1 was located on the surface of the rock pile beneath the rail car tracks outside the lower adit.

Sample P302 had a laboratory paste pH value of 3 and a field paste conductivity of 750 $\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$. The NP/AP ratio was <0.1 indicating that the sample is potentially acid generating. Sample P305-1 had a laboratory paste pH of 8 and field paste conductivity of 140 $\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$. The NP/AP ratio was 1.

After nine days of testing, the slurry of sample P302 had a pH of 3.7 and a conductivity of 4300 $\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$. The sulphate concentration in the filtered leachate of this sample contained over 4000 mg/L sulphate and had no measurable alkalinity. The slurry of sample P305-1 was alkaline with a pH of 9.2. Over the course of testing, the conductivity of this sample increased from 750 $\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$ to 1580 $\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$. The sulphate concentration of the filtered leachate was 785 mg/L and the sample had 57 mg/L CaCO_3 eq. alkalinity. The high sulphate concentration in both samples indicates that they contain sulphides that are oxidizing and producing acid. The high pH of sample P305-1 indicates that this samples

contains some buffering capacity.

The filtered leachate from sample P302 contained high concentrations of aluminum (54 mg/L), arsenic (38 mg/L), cadmium (0.45 mg/L), iron (352 mg/L), and zinc (6.8 mg/L). Metals concentrations in the leachate from sample P305-1 were also elevated but were much lower. For example, arsenic and iron concentrations were 2.9 mg/L and <0.03 mg/L, respectively.

Table 5.2 Summarized Waste Rock ABA and Bottle Roll Test Sample Results

Sample ID	Summary of 1996 ABA Test Results	Summary of 1997 Bottle Roll Test Results
BT-WR-P302	Potentially Acid Generating (NP/AP=<0.1); paste pH = 2.63; SO ₄ = 31%; high As, Cd, Cr, Cu, Fe, Pb, Ag, Zn	Conductivity increased from 750 uS/cm to 4,300 uS/cm; low alkalinity, sulphate, and Al, As, Cd, Fe, Zn
BT-WR-P305-1	Potentially Acid Generating; paste pH = 6.35; (NP/AP=1); high As, Cd, Cr, Cu, Fe, Pb	Conductivity increased from 140 uS/cm to 1,580 uS/cm; high alkalinity, sulphate, and lower metals (though elevated)

6.0 CONCLUSIONS

Based on the results of phase III work conducted at the Big Thing abandoned mine site, the following conclusions associated with water quality have been drawn:

- Conclusion 1.** There is no decrease in water quality in Big Thing Creek downstream of the mine site.
- Conclusion 2.** Acid rock generation is occurring in the waste rock but is not impacting significant receptors.
- Conclusion 3.** Due to the age of the site, it is not expected that significant impacts are likely due to waste rock acid rock drainage.

7.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

Recommended remediation and management actions are compliant with applicable federal or territorial regulations and criteria, rely upon available technology, and intended to be appropriate for local conditions and sensitivities.

The following recommendation regards the specific objectives outlined in this report and

is to be used in conjunction with recommendations outlined in the March 1997, Phase II report where appropriate:

Recommendation. No further action regarding water quality is recommended at this time.

8.0 COST ESTIMATES TO IMPLEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS

There are no costs associated with implementing the above recommendation in accordance with the specific objectives outlined in this report.

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APPENDIX A

Detailed Geochemical Assessment of Waste Rock and Surface Water

Big Thing Mine Site



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**YUKON ABANDONED MINE SITES ASSESSMENT
REPORT ON 1997 FOLLOW-UP**

YUKON ABANDONED MINE SITES ASSESSMENT REPORT ON 1997 FOLLOW-UP

1.0 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background

In 1993, DIAND Technical Services completed Phase I environmental assessments of 49 abandoned exploration and mine sites in the Yukon Territory as part of the Arctic Environmental Strategy Action on Waste. These initial assessments included a literature review of the historical activities at each site, described the mine infrastructure, workings and waste, summarized environmental and/or safety concerns, and made general recommendations for remediation. No waste rock or water quality samples were collected. The results of this work indicated that an assessment of the environmental impacts of the sites was required before decisions could be made regarding remediation.

In 1996, environmental assessments were conducted by Environmental Services, Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC). These assessments included investigations of the current impacts of mining activities on receiving water, as well as the potential for future impacts on receiving water from waste rock and tailings disposed of on site. Current impacts were assessed by water quality sampling whereas future impacts were estimated by determining the acid generating potential and metal content of the waste. Waste at the site was mapped, described, and representative samples collected. Samples were then analyzed for acid generating potential using Acid Base Accounting (ABA), and for metals concentrations using Inductively Coupled Plasma (ICP). Professional geologists conducted the geochemical investigations. The assessment results were presented in SRK (1997), Norecol Dames and Moore (1997), and Geoviro (1997).

Based on the 1996 work, the PWGSC identified six abandoned mined sites for which additional geochemical or geotechnical information were required in order for decisions to be made regarding reclamation. In 1997, PWGSC retained Steffen, Robertson and Kirsten (Canada) Inc. (SRK) to conduct a follow-up geochemical assessment of the six sites. SRK had conducted evaluations of 15 abandoned sites during the 1996 program and, thus, were familiar with several of the mines requiring additional work (SRK, 1997).

The waste at all of the sites was deposited prior to 1985 and, therefore, has been exposed for more than 10 years. Much of the waste rock at the six sites was already generating acid or, if neutral, had been exposed for sufficient time that acidic conditions would be unlikely to develop in the future. The impact of the waste on receiving waters appeared to be small. However, sampling was conducted in August and September, generally a dry season in the Yukon Territory, when flow in local seeps and streams was low. It was, therefore, recommended that a year of water quality monitoring be conducted in order to measure seasonal variability in metal concentrations. In order to estimate the impact of the waste on receiving waters under high flow conditions, it was also recommended that the soluble metal concentrations associated with the waste rock be measured.

1.2 Objectives

The objectives of the 1997 field program were to conduct a follow-up assessment of the environmental impact, or potential environmental impact, of mining or exploration activities conducted at six abandoned sites in the Yukon Territory. The follow-up work included waste rock sampling where additional data was required, and water quality monitoring of adit water, seeps, and receiving water bodies. Laboratory leachate extraction tests were completed to characterize the soluble constituents of the waste rock.

2.0 FIELD/LABORATORY TECHNIQUES

2.1 Sample Collection

In the 1996 Assessment Reports, water quality monitoring was recommended for the six abandoned mine sites that were revisited. Samples were collected from adits, seeps, and receiving water upstream and downstream of the mine in August and in October of 1997. The sampling protocol used was provided in SRK (1997).

Waste samples were only collected during the August 1996 and 1997 visits. Waste rock sampling protocols were provided in the SRK (1997).

2.2 Flow Measurement

During the August 1997 field trip, flow in streams and seeps were measured using a Price Current meter. Stream depth and velocity measurements are taken at several locations across the stream, and averaged to obtain a value for the stream.

2.3 Analytical Techniques

Water samples were analyzed for immediate parameters (pH, electrical conductivity, hardness, alkalinity, ionic balance, and total dissolved solids), and sulphate, chloride, bicarbonate, nitrate, nitrite, and metals concentrations.

To estimate the soluble metal load in the waste rock, large-scale leach extraction tests were conducted on selected samples. These tests involved sieving a waste rock sample to obtain 1 kg of material passing through a 5-mm screen. This material was combined with 1 litre of distilled water and agitated on a rolling device. Every 24 hours the bottle was removed from the roller and allowed to settle. The solution was sampled, and the pH and conductivity measured. Once the pH and conductivity of the solution stabilized, the solution was filtered and analyzed for immediate parameters (e.g. pH, conductivity, acidity, alkalinity, etc.), sulphate, and total metals concentrations. The resulting concentrations represent a measure of the soluble contaminants stored in the waste. A detailed protocol is provided in Appendix A. Results of bottle roll tests are presented in Tables 1 and 2.

3.0 ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

The freshwater aquatic criteria of the Interim Canadian Environmental Quality Criteria for Contaminated Sites (CCME, 1995) were used to assess impacts to surficial receiving

waters. These criteria provide numerical limits that are designed to protect, maintain, or improve environmental quality and human health at contaminated sites.

8.0 BIG THING

8.1 Background

Much of the waste rock at the Big Thing site is acidic and is oxidizing. Monitoring is being conducted to determine the impact of the site on Big Thing Creek.

Gold and silver ores of the Big Thing deposit comprise a series of northeast striking quartz veins that cut a porphyritic granodiorite intrusion. Mineralization consists of pyrite (FeS_2), arsenopyrite (FeAsS), sphalerite ($(\text{Zn,Fe})\text{S}$), galena (PbS), and minor chalcopyrite (CuFeS_2).

8.2 Observations

Unlike in 1996, water was flowing from the lower adit during the 1997 site visits. The seep from the low grade ore stockpile was flowing in August 1997, but not in October of that year.

8.3 Water Quality

Water was flowing from the lower adit only in August 1997 (BTWQ-A-103). A seep sample was collected from below the low grade ore stockpile approximately 50m southwest of the upper adit along the roadcut in August 1996 and 1997 (BTWQ-S-101 and 97-BTWQ-SE1-1). This seep was not flowing in October 1997. Three samples were collected on Big Thing Creek: 500m upstream (97-BTWQ-STR104) and 500m downstream (97-BTWQ-STR102) of the dam, and 100m below the dam (97-BTWQ-STR208).

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8.5 Discussion

There appears to be no decrease in the quality of water in Big Thing Creek downstream of the mine site. Selenium concentrations are above the CCME guideline both upstream and downstream of the site.

8.6 Recommendations

The water quality of Big Thing Creek should sampled during the spring freshet. No other action is recommended.

Table 1
Results of Physical Parameters in Bottle Roll Test Leachates

SAMPLE	SOLID			SLURRY					FILTERED LEACHATE															
	pH	Conductivity ($\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$)	NP/AP	pH (Hours)					CONDUCTIVITY ($\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$) (Hours)	pH	COND. ($\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$)	REDOX POT. (mV)	pH 4. (mg/L CaCO_3)	ACIDITY pH 8.3 (mg/L CaCO_3)	ALKALINITY pH 4.5 (mg/L CaCO_3)	SULPHATE (mg/L)	BICARBONATE CaCO_3 (mg/L)	CARBONATE CaCO_3 (mg/L)	CHLORIDE mg/L					
				48	72	120	144	216																
STU-WR-P3-1	7.8	270	2.5	-	7.3	6.9	6.8	6.7	-	1410	2250	2700	2900	7.97	4450	280	0.0	10.5	289.0	3160	303	<1	6.6	
STU-WR-P4-1	6.6	840	<0.1	-	-	6.2	6.4	6.1	-	-	2680	4000	4200	-	7.10	5350	290	0.0	7.5	21.0	4070	1	<1	96.8
PAD-WR-1-1	7.7	81	5	-	-	8.0	7.7	7.5	7.3	-	780	1490	1880	2400	8.31	3260	285	0.0	0.0	304.5	1930	320	<1	4.5
PAD-WR-2-1	7.6	77	5.3	-	-	8.3	8.1	8.0	8.1	-	670	1290	1590	1900	8.26	2760	288	0.0	0.5	104.0	1470	110	<1	4.2
PO-WR-P302	7.8	180	0.49	-	-	7.8	8.0	8.1	-	-	2300	2500	3000	-	7.52	4180	282	0.0	5.0	32.0	2140	<1	<1	764
PO-WR-P307/	4.6	-	<0.1	-	-	4.0	4.3	4.3	-	-	4500	3900	3800	-	4.90	5280	365	0.0	1300.5	1.0	4570	<1	<1	5.9
GV208PAD1-3*	4	-	<0.1	4.5	4.7	-	-	-	-	375	420	-	-	-	5.02	623	387	0.0	31.0	10.0	208	51	<1	368
GV208PAD1-16	3	-	<0.1	2.9	2.9	-	-	-	-	1520	1560	-	-	-	3.10	2400	375	315.0	1500.0	0.0	1710	<1	<1	9.2
BT-WR-P302	3	780	<0.1	-	3.1	3.4	3.4	3.7	-	3900	4600	5000	4300	3.85	5750	352	55.0	1266.0	0.0	4070	123	<1	<1	3.1
BT-WR-P305-1	5	140	1	-	5.9	5.1	5.2	5.2	-	780	1095	1240	1590	9.03	2250	242	0.0	0.0	56.5	785	128	<1	<1	104
VE-WR-P305	6.7	>1990	0.25	-	6.6	6.7	7.0	-	-	5000	5400	5800	-	7.93	5820	252	0.0	13.0	133.5	3860	<1	<1	1.2	
VE-WR-P311	8	>1990	1	-	8.5	8.6	8.7	-	-	2500	3200	3500	-	8.40	3610	257	0.0	0.0	119.5	1840	<1	<1	4.8	

*900 g sample was used with 500 ml of distilled solution.
- = not analyzed for this element.

Table 2
Dissolved Metals Concentrations in Bottle Roll Test Leachates

Sample No.	Lab. Sample No.	STU-WR-P3-1	STU-WR-P4-1	PAQ-WR-1-1	PAQ-WR-2-1	FO-WR-P302	FOR-WR-P307/2	GV206PADI-3	V206PADI-1	BT-WR-P302	BT-WR-P306-1	VE-WR-P306	VE-WR-311
		4082	4083	4084	4085	4087	4088	4072	4073	4069	4068	4071	4070
Aluminum	mg/L	<0.2	<1	<0.2	<0.2	<0.2	5	1.8	67.2	53.9	0.2	<0.2	<0.2
Antimony	mg/L	0.2	<1	<0.2	<0.2	<0.2	<1	0.3	0.7	<0.2	0.3	<0.2	<0.2
Arsenic	mg/L	0.309	0.593	0.0335	0.0104	0.0133	0.0124	0.129	3.4	38.1	2.9	4.3	7.4
Barium	mg/L	0.04	<0.05	0.07	0.04	0.09	<0.05	0.09	0.03	0.08	0.07	0.04	0.03
Beryllium	mg/L	<0.005	<0.03	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.03	<0.005	0.015	0.007	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005
Bismuth	mg/L	0.2	0.7	0.1	<0.1	<0.1	0.6	<0.1	0.1	0.1	<0.1	0.3	<0.1
Boron	mg/L	0.1	<0.5	<0.1	0.1	1.0	0.8	0.4	2.0	0.2	0.1	0.1	<0.1
Cadmium	mg/L	<0.01	<0.05	<0.01	<0.01	0.02	11.2	<0.01	0.421	0.346	<0.005	0.04	<0.005
Calcium	mg/L	689	513	261	130	614	488	13	33.3	296	53.1	432	200
Chromium	mg/L	<0.01	<0.05	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	<0.05	<0.01	0.02	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01
Cobalt	mg/L	0.04	0.27	0.01	<0.01	<0.01	0.41	0.11	0.12	0.47	<0.01	0.04	<0.01
Copper	mg/L	0.04	0.07	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.12	0.23	2.57	0.4	0.023	0.02	<0.01
Iron	mg/L	<0.03	<0.2	<0.03	<0.03	<0.03	167	1.58	431	352	<0.03	<0.03	0.007
Lead	mg/L	0.09	3.9	0.1	0.013	0.22	3.7	0.10	0.30	0.77	<0.05	<0.02	<0.02
Lithium	mg/L	0.09	0.09	0.14	0.07	0.06	0.82	0.07	0.12	0.21	<0.01	0.19	0.08
Magnesium	mg/L	221	556	131	44.7	78.4	433	7.06	17.0	19	6.35	399	49.1
Manganese	mg/L	15.5	405	0.661	0.175	1.09	97.7	7.57	19.2	3.54	0.021	22.6	0.07
Mercury	mg/L	<0.00005	0.00009	<0.00005	<0.00005	0.00006	0.00032	0.0001	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005
Molybdenum	mg/L	<0.03	<0.2	<0.03	0.1	<0.03	<0.2	<0.03	<0.03	<0.03	0.87	<0.03	0.07
Nickel	mg/L	0.06	0.6	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	1.2	0.03	0.32	0.04	<0.02	0.07	<0.02
Phosphorus	mg/L	<0.3	<2	<0.3	<0.3	<0.3	<2	<0.3	<0.3	<0.3	<0.3	<0.3	<0.3
Potassium	mg/L	66	99	36	24	93	20	28	<2	173	52	111	74
Selenium	mg/L	0.0016	0.0028	0.0046	0.0041	<0.2	<1	<0.2	<0.2	0.0015	0.0065	<0.2	<0.2
Silicon	mg/L	10.2	7	7.99	8.04	3.19	30.3	52.1	66.2	104	19.3	26.9	23.4
Silver	mg/L	<0.01	<0.05	<0.01	<0.01	0.004	0.008	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	0.02	<0.01	<0.01
Sodium	mg/L	320	134	360	496	290	132	82	66	784	377	543	552
Strontium	mg/L	2.33	0.3	0.679	0.625	0.396	0.045	0.077	1.04	0.754	0.329	5.32	3.09
Thallium	mg/L	<0.1	<0.5	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	<0.5	<0.1	0.3	0.2	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Thi	mg/L	<0.03	<0.2	<0.03	<0.03	<0.03	<0.2	<0.03	<0.03	<0.03	<0.03	<0.03	<0.03
Thium	mg/L	<0.01	<0.05	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	<0.05	0.02	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01
Uranium	mg/L	0.0031	<0.001	0.0067	0.006	<0.0001	0.0007	0.0005	0.0062	0.0152	0.0042	0.0038	0.0065
Vanadium	mg/L	<0.03	<0.2	<0.03	<0.03	<0.03	<0.2	<0.03	<0.03	<0.03	<0.03	<0.03	<0.03
Zinc	mg/L	0.175	1.06	1.18	0.057	0.624	702	0.696	57.7	6.76	0.015	6.01	0.055

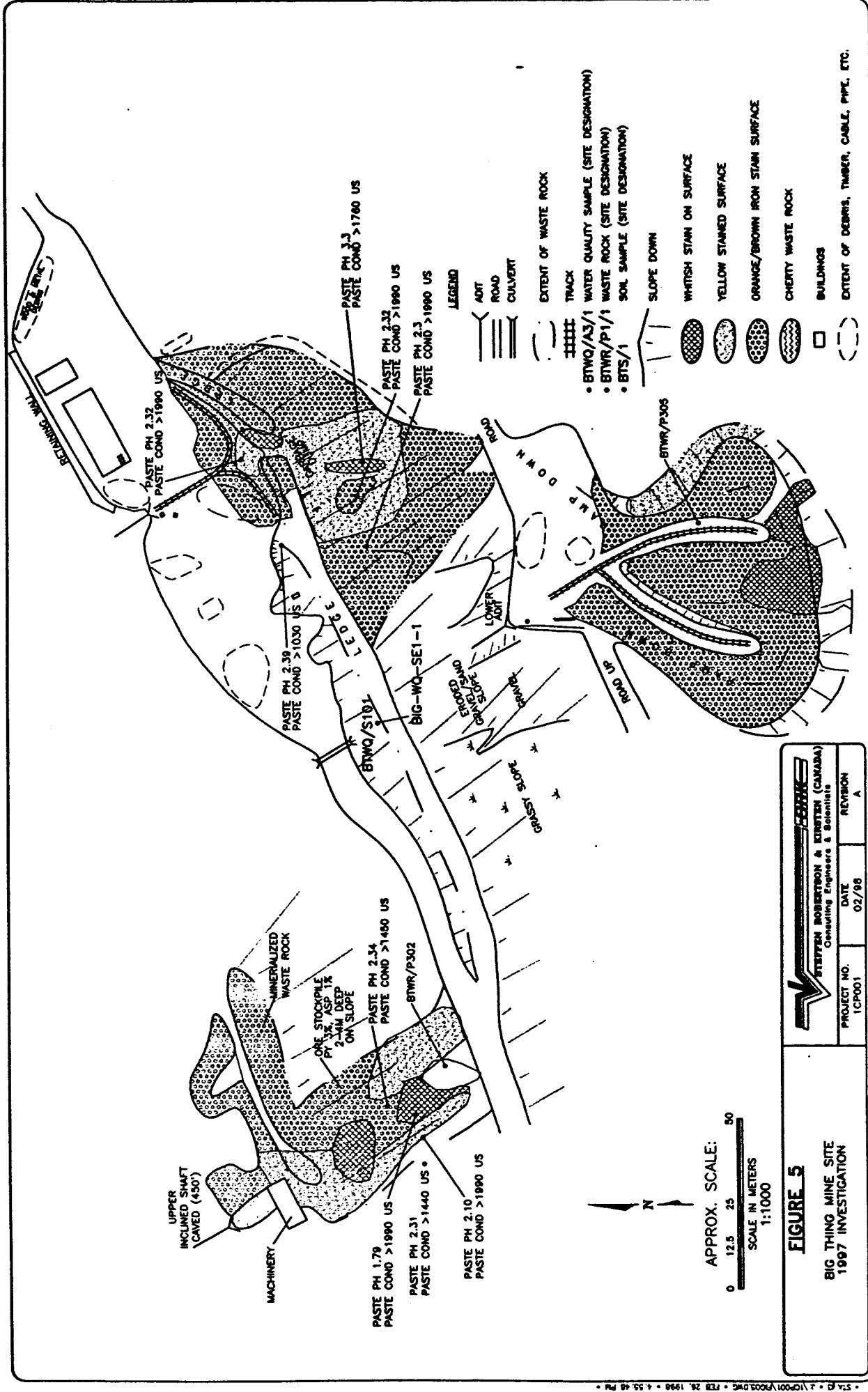
Table 8
Water Quality Data
Big Thing Mine

PARAMETER Sampling Event	UNITS	D.L.*	BTWQA-103 Aug-98	BTWQS-101 Aug-98	BIG-WQ-SE1-1 Aug-97	BTWQ-STR-104 Aug-98	BTWQ-STR-104 Aug-97	BTWQ-STR-208 Aug-98	97-BTWQ-STR 208 Aug-97	BT-WQ-STR208 Oct-97
Location			lower sdft	seep 50 m SW of sdft		500 m upstream		100 m downstream		
pH			5.13	6.82	7.05	6.8	7	7.05	6.96	7.04
Electrical conductivity	uS/cm	0.1	56.1	44.2	40.2	15.1	15.7	21.7	29.3	49.0
Hardness	mg/L	0.1	-	na	13.4	-	-	-	9.5	19.0
Alkalinity	mg/L	1	<1.0	9.3	21	4.8	21	4.5	21	21
Sulphate	mg/L	0.3	20.3	6.3	4.8	1.6	1.9	3.5	5.6	12.7
Aluminum	mg/L	0.00006		<0.2			0.033	<0.2	0.023	0.0131
Antimony	mg/L	0.005	<0.2	<0.2	<0.005	<0.2	<0.005	<0.2	<0.005	<0.005
Arsenic	mg/L	0.01				<0.2	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.03
Cadmium	mg/L	0.00006				<0.01	<0.00006	<0.01	<0.00006	<0.00006
Calcium	mg/L	0.002	8.41	5.15	4.7	5.12	2.01	2.34	3.23	5.72
Chromium	mg/L	0.00006	<0.01	<0.01	<0.00006	<0.01	<0.00006	<0.01	<0.00006	<0.00006
Cobalt	mg/L	0.00003	<0.01	<0.01	0.00012	<0.01	<0.00003	<0.01	<0.00003	<0.00003
Copper	mg/L	0.00003	0.02	<0.01	0.00127	<0.01	0.033	<0.03	0.017	0.0064
Iron	mg/L	0.003		0.06		0.06	<0.0003	<0.06	<0.0003	<0.0003
Lead	mg/L	0.0003	<0.05	0.06	0.0004	<0.06	<0.0003	<0.01	0.00017	0.00078
Lithium	mg/L	0.00006	<0.01	<0.01	0.00033	0.19	<0.00006	0.46	0.593	1.07
Magnesium	mg/L	0.005	1.85	0.71	0.636	0.34	0.323	<0.00002	<0.00002	0.00022
Manganese	mg/L	0.00002	0.506	0.005	0.00767	<0.005	0.00026	<0.005	<0.0001	<0.0001
Mercury	mg/L	0.0001	-	-	<0.0001	-	0.00091	<0.03	0.00211	0.00026
Molybdenum	mg/L	0.00007	<0.03	<0.03	0.00946	<0.03	<0.0001	<0.02	<0.0001	<0.0001
Nickel	mg/L	0.0001	<0.02	<0.02	0.0002	<0.02	<0.00005	<0.02	<0.00005	<0.00005
Selenium	mg/L	0.003	<0.2	<0.2	-	<0.2	<0.00005	<0.2	<0.00005	<0.00005
Silver	mg/L	0.00006	<0.01	<0.01	0.0001	<0.01	<0.0002	<0.01	<0.0002	0.0013
Zinc	mg/L	0.0002		0.009	<0.0002	0.012	<0.0002	<0.005	<0.0002	0.0013

- not analyzed for this parameter.
* Detection Limit for analyses of 1987 samples.
CCME = Canadian Council of Ministers of the Environment, Canadian Water Quality Guidelines
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Water Quality Data
Big Thing Mine

PARAMETER Sampling Event	UNITS	D.L.*	BTWQ-STR-102		BTWQ-STR-102		BTWQ-STR102 Oct-97	CCME* MMLE*	
			Aug-96	Aug-97	Aug-97	Oct-97			
Location			500 m downstream						
pH		0.1	6.68	7.23	7.11				<8.0
Electrical conductivity	uS/cm	0.1	22.6	31.3	35.0				
Hardness	mg/L	0.1	-	11.1	12.8				
Alkalinity	mg/L	1	6.3	21	21				
Sulphate	mg/L	0.3	3.5	4.6	6.6				
Aluminum	mg/L	0.00005	0.3	0.023	0.0264		0.1		
Antimony	mg/L	0.005	<0.2	<0.006	<0.005		0.06		0.5
Arsenic	mg/L	0.01	<0.2	0.01	0.02		0.0002		
Cadmium	mg/L	0.00006	<0.01	<0.0006	<0.00006		0.002		
Calcium	mg/L	0.002	2.49	3.42	3.82				
Chromium	mg/L	0.00006	<0.01	<0.0006	<0.00006				
Chromium	mg/L	0.00003	<0.01	<0.0003	<0.00003		0.002		0.3
Cobalt	mg/L	0.00003	<0.01	<0.0003	<0.00003		0.3		
Copper	mg/L	0.00003	<0.03	0.024	0.0150		0.001		0.2
Iron	mg/L	0.003	<0.05	<0.0003	<0.0003				
Lead	mg/L	0.0003	<0.01	<0.0006	0.00096				
Lithium	mg/L	0.00006	0.47	0.836	0.828				
Magnesium	mg/L	0.005	<0.005	0.00024	0.00034		0.0001		
Manganese	mg/L	0.00002	na	<0.0001	<0.0001				
Mercury	mg/L	0.0001	<0.03	0.00443	0.00030		0.0001		0.5
Molybdenum	mg/L	0.00007	<0.02	<0.0001	<0.0001		0.025		
Nickel	mg/L	0.0001	<0.2	<0.0006	<0.0001		0.001		
Selenium	mg/L	0.003	0.01	<0.00006	<0.00006		0.0001		
Silver	mg/L	0.00005	0.01	0.0228	0.0006		0.0001		0.5
Zinc	mg/L	0.0002	<0.006				0.03		



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FIGURE 5
BIG THING MINE SITE
1997 INVESTIGATION

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WATER ANALYSIS REPORT

SAMPLE	4	5	6
	VEWQ-S201	VE-WQ-S2-1	BTWQ-STR-102
		VENUS MINE AUDT	YUKON MINE PHIII
		2 WP PILE BELOW	500M DOWSTREAM

TRACE ICP, TOTAL

IRON	mg/L	0.044	0.029	0.024
LEAD	mg/L	<0.0003	0.0014	<0.0003
LITHIUM	mg/L	0.0149	0.0143	<0.00006
MANGANESE	mg/L	0.00048	0.00117	0.00024
MAGNESIUM	mg/L	23.6	23.1	0.836
MOLYBDENUM	mg/L	0.00888	0.0129	0.00443
NICKEL	mg/L	<0.0001	<0.0001	<0.0001
PHOSPHORUS	mg/L	<0.006	0.059	0.038
POTASSIUM	mg/L	2.04	<0.60	<0.60
SILVER	mg/L	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005
SELENIUM	mg/L	0.007	0.004	0.007
SILICON	mg/L	3.36	3.66	1.76
STRONTIUM	mg/L	0.995	0.988	0.0199
SODIUM	mg/L	5.25	5.31	0.796
THALLIUM	mg/L	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
SULPHUR	mg/L	22.7	22.4	1.67
TITANIUM	mg/L	<0.00002	<0.00002	0.00028
TIN	mg/L	<0.0002	<0.0002	<0.0002
VANADIUM	mg/L	<0.00003	<0.00003	0.00018
ZINC	mg/L	<0.0002	0.0355	0.0226

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SAMPLE	7	8	9
	97-BTWQ-STR104	97-BTWQ-STR 208	BIG-WQ-SEL-1
	YUKON MINE 500M	YUKON MINE 100M	SEPAGE 50M WEST
	UPSTREAM	BELOW DAM	OF UPPER AUDIT

ROUTINE WATER

PH		7.00	6.98	7.05
ELECTRICAL COND	uS/cm	18.7	29.3	40.2
CALCIUM	mg/L	1.6	2.9	4.3
MAGNESIUM	mg/L	0.3	0.6	0.7
SODIUM	mg/L	0.7	0.8	1.2
POTASSIUM	mg/L	<0.60	<0.60	<0.60
IRON	mg/L	<0.04	<0.04	0.12
MANGANESE	mg/L	<0.003	<0.003	<0.003
SULPHATE	mg/L	1.9	5.6	4.8
CHLORIDE	mg/L	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5
BICARBONATE	mg/L	25	25	26
T ALKALINITY	mg/L	21	21	21
HARDNESS	mg/L	5.3	9.5	13.4
T DIS SOLIDS	mg/L	18	23	25
IONIC BALANCE	%	-32.2	-44.1	-58.3

WATER NUTRIENTS

NO2&NO3-N	mg/L	<0.05	<0.05	0.60
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TOTAL, COLD VAPO

MERCURY	mg/L	<0.0001	<0.0001	<0.0001
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TRACE ICP, TOTAL

ALUMINUM	mg/L	0.033	0.023	0.119
ANTIMONY	mg/L	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005
ARSENIC	mg/L	0.01	0.02	0.43
BARIUM	mg/L	0.00087	0.00089	0.00038
BERYLLIUM	mg/L	<0.00001	<0.00001	<0.00001
BISMUTH	mg/L	<0.0004	<0.0004	<0.0004
BORON	mg/L	<0.002	<0.002	<0.002
CADMIUM	mg/L	<0.00006	<0.00006	0.00040
CALCIUM	mg/L	2.01	3.23	4.70
CHROMIUM	mg/L	<0.00006	<0.00006	<0.00006
COBALT	mg/L	<0.00003	<0.00003	0.00012
COPPER	mg/L	<0.00003	<0.00003	0.00127

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SAMPLE	7		8		9	
	97-BTWQ-STR104 YUKON MINE 500M UPSTREAM		97-BTWQ-STR 208 YUKON MINE 100M BELOW DAM		BIG-WQ-SEL-1 SEPAGE 50M WEST OF UPPER AUDIT	
TRACE ICP, TOTAL						
IRON	mg/L	0.033		0.017		0.306
LEAD	mg/L	<0.0003		<0.0003		0.0004
LITHIUM	mg/L	<0.00006		0.00017		0.00033
MANGANESE	mg/L	0.00026		<0.00002		0.00767
MAGNESIUM	mg/L	0.323		0.583		0.638
MOLYBDENUM	mg/L	0.00091		0.00211		0.00648
NICKEL	mg/L	<0.0001		<0.0001		0.0002
PHOSPHORUS	mg/L	<0.006		<0.006		0.047
POTASSIUM	mg/L	<0.60		<0.60		2.89
SILVER	mg/L	<0.00005		<0.00005		0.00010
SELENIUM	mg/L	0.005		0.004		0.005
SILICON	mg/L	1.27		1.40		2.94
STRONTIUM	mg/L	0.0114		0.0168		0.0109
SODIUM	mg/L	0.573		0.655		1.03
THALLIUM	mg/L	<0.001		<0.001		<0.001
SULPHUR	mg/L	0.705		1.98		1.68
TITANIUM	mg/L	0.00030		0.00022		0.00072
TIN	mg/L	<0.0002		<0.0002		<0.0002
VANADIUM	mg/L	0.00017		0.00013		0.00022
ZINC	mg/L	<0.0002		<0.0002		<0.0002

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note pH pH REPORTED AT ROOM TEMP
note ELECTRICAL COND 'ELECTRICAL COND' (EC) is in microsiemens/cm and is a measure of solids in solution
E.C. CORRECTED TO 25C
note T ALKALINITY 'ALKALINITY' is CARBONATE/BICARBONATE expressed as CALCIUM CARBONATE
note HARDNESS 'HARDNESS' is calcium and magnesium expressed as CALCIUM CARBONATE
note NO2&NO3-N is expressed as nitrogen

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pH	27Aug97	DARREN CRICHTON	ELECTRICAL COND	27Aug97	DARREN CRICHTON
CALCIUM	27Aug97	LANG QUE TRAN	MAGNESIUM	27Aug97	LANG QUE TRAN
SODIUM	27Aug97	LANG QUE TRAN	POTASSIUM	27Aug97	LANG QUE TRAN
IRON	27Aug97	LANG QUE TRAN	MANGANESE	27Aug97	LANG QUE TRAN
SULPHATE	27Aug97	LANG QUE TRAN	CHLORIDE	27Aug97	THERESA LIEU
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10301L	pH		Reported as CaCO ₃
	Electrometric (pH meter)		Ref. APHA 2340 B
	Ref. APHA 4500-H+	00203	T DIS SOLIDS
02041L	ELECTRICAL COND		SUM OF IONS CALCULATION
	Conductance meter		Ca + Mg + K + Na + SO ₄ + Cl + 0.6*T Alk
	Ref. APHA 2510 B		Ref. APHA 1030 F
20103	CALCIUM	NWL4994	IONIC BALANCE
	ICP spectroscopy @ 317.9 nm	00100	IONIC BALANCE 2
	Ref. APHA 3120 B		%Diff=(Sum Cations-Sum Anions)/
12102L	MAGNESIUM		(Sum Cations+Sum Anions)*100
	ICP spectroscopy @ 285.2 nm		Ref. APHA 1030 F
	Ref. APHA 3120 B	07105L	NO ₂ &NO ₃ -N
11102L	SODIUM		Automated colorimetry Cadmium reduction
19111	POTASSIUM		Ref. APHA 4500-NO ₃ -,F
	Diss., ICP Spectroscopy, Ref. APHA 3120 B		
26304L	IRON		
16306L	SULPHATE		
	ICP spectroscopy @ 180.7 nm		
	Ref. APHA 3120 B		
17203L	CHLORIDE		
	Automated colorimetry, Thiocyanate		
	Ref. APHA 4500 Cl-,E		
06201L	BICARBONATE		
	Potentiometric titration with standard		
	acid to pH 8.3 and pH 4.5		
	Ref. APHA 2320 B		
10101	T ALKALINITY		
	Potentiometric titration with standard		
	acid to pH 4.5 & pH 8.3. Report as CaCO ₃		
	Ref. APHA 2320 B		
10602	HARDNESS		
	Calculation from 2.5*Ca + 4.1*Mg		

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SAMPLE	1		2		3	
	BT-WQ-STR102 97/10		BT-WQ-STR208 97/10		FO-WQ-ST1-1	
ROUTINE WATER						
PH		7.11	7.04	8.01		
ELECTRICAL COND uS/cm		35.0	49.0	566		
CALCIUM mg/L		3.6	5.7	113		
MAGNESIUM mg/L		0.9	1.2	23.1		
SODIUM mg/L		1.6	1.7	2.5		
POTASSIUM mg/L		1.22	1.11	<0.60		
SULPHATE mg/L		6.6	12.7	216		
CHLORIDE mg/L		<0.5	<0.5	<0.5		
BICARBONATE mg/L		26	25	174		
T ALKALINITY mg/L		21	21	142		
HARDNESS mg/L		12.8	19.0	377		
T DIS SOLIDS mg/L		27	35	441		
IONIC BALANCE %		-59.0	-67.9	-104		
WATER NUTRIENTS						
NO2&NO3-N mg/L		0.30	0.33	0.10		
ICP METALS, EXTR						
IRON mg/L		0.02	<0.02	0.05		
MANGANESE mg/L		<0.003	<0.003	0.140		
DISS, COLD VAPOR						
MERCURY mg/L		<0.0001	<0.0001	<0.0001		
METALS, DISS, AAS						
SELENIUM mg/L		<0.0001	<0.0001	<0.0001		
TRACE ICP, DISS						
IRON mg/L		0.0150	0.0064	0.0395		
ALUMINUM mg/L		0.0284	0.0131	0.00172		
ANTIMONY mg/L		<0.005	<0.005	<0.005		
ARSENIC mg/L		0.02	0.03	<0.01		
BARIUM mg/L		0.00099	0.00148	0.0524		
BERYLLIUM mg/L		<0.00001	<0.00001	<0.00001		
BISMUTH mg/L		<0.0004	<0.0004	<0.0004		
BORON mg/L		<0.002	<0.002	<0.002		

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SAMPLE			
	1 BT-WQ-STR102 97/10	2 BT-WQ-STR208 97/10	3 FO-WQ-ST1-1
TRACE ICP, DISS			
CADMIUM	mg/L <0.00006	<0.00006	0.00047
CALCIUM	mg/L 3.62	5.72	106
CHROMIUM	mg/L <0.00006	<0.00006	<0.00006
COBALT	mg/L <0.00003	<0.00003	<0.00003
COPPER	mg/L <0.00003	<0.00003	<0.00003
LEAD	mg/L <0.0003	<0.0003	<0.0003
LITHIUM	mg/L 0.00095	0.00078	0.00833
MANGANESE	mg/L 0.00034	0.00022	0.137
MAGNESIUM	mg/L 0.828	1.07	20.0
MOLYBDENUM	mg/L 0.00030	0.00025	0.00029
NICKEL	mg/L <0.0001	<0.0001	0.0009
PHOSPHORUS	mg/L <0.006	<0.006	<0.006
POTASSIUM	mg/L 1.22	1.11	<0.60
SILVER	mg/L <0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005
SELENIUM	mg/L <0.003	<0.003	<0.003
SILICON	mg/L 2.03	2.20	3.33
STRONTIUM	mg/L 0.0170	0.0247	0.226
SODIUM	mg/L 0.765	0.885	1.41
THALLIUM	mg/L <0.001	<0.001	<0.001
SULPHUR	mg/L 2.16	4.16	66.5
TITANIUM	mg/L 0.00037	0.00015	<0.00002
TIN	mg/L 0.0003	0.0002	0.0009
URANIUM	mg/L 0.0034	0.0018	0.0057
VANADIUM	mg/L <0.00003	<0.00003	<0.00003
ZINC	mg/L 0.0008	0.0013	0.0507
ZIRCONIUM	mg/L <0.00004	<0.00004	<0.00004

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note pH pH REPORTED AT ROOM TEMP
note ELECTRICAL COND 'ELECTRICAL COND' (EC) is in microsiemens/cm and is a measure of solids in solution
E.C. CORRECTED TO 25C
note T ALKALINITY 'ALKALINITY' is CARBONATE/BICARBONATE expressed as CALCIUM CARBONATE
note HARDNESS 'HARDNESS' is calcium and magnesium expressed as CALCIUM CARBONATE
note NO2&NO3-N is expressed as nitrogen

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PH	21oct97	DARREN CRICHTON	ELECTRICAL COND	21oct97	DARREN CRICHTON
CALCIUM	22oct97	LANG QUE TRAN	MAGNESIUM	22oct97	LANG QUE TRAN
SODIUM	22oct97	LANG QUE TRAN	POTASSIUM	22oct97	LANG QUE TRAN
SULPHATE	22oct97	LANG QUE TRAN	CHLORIDE	21oct97	THERESA LIEU
CARBONATE	21oct97	DARREN CRICHTON	BICARBONATE	21oct97	DARREN CRICHTON
P ALKALINITY	21oct97	DARREN CRICHTON	T ALKALINITY	21oct97	DARREN CRICHTON
HARDNESS	0	LANG QUE TRAN	T DIS SOLIDS	0	LANG QUE TRAN
IONIC BALANCE	0	LANG QUE TRAN	NO2&NO3-N	21oct97	THERESA LIEU
IRON	21oct97	LANG QUE TRAN	MANGANESE	21oct97	LANG QUE TRAN
MERCURY	23oct97	LANG QUE TRAN	SELENIUM	22oct97	LANG QUE TRAN
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STRONTIUM	22oct97	LANG QUE TRAN	SODIUM	22oct97	LANG QUE TRAN
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10301L	pH Electrometric (pH meter) Ref. APHA 4500-H+	10101	Ref. APHA 2320 B T ALKALINITY Potentiometric titration with standard acid to pH 4.5 & pH 8.3. Report as CaCO ₃
02041L	ELECTRICAL COND Conductance meter Ref. APHA 2510 B	10602	Ref. APHA 2320 B HARDNESS Calculation from 2.5*Ca + 4.1*Mg Reported as CaCO ₃
20103	CALCIUM ICP spectroscopy @ 317.9 nm Ref. APHA 3120 B	00203	Ref. APHA 2340 B T DIS SOLIDS SUM OF IONS CALCULATION Ca + Mg + K + Na + SO ₄ + Cl + 0.6*T Alk Ref. APHA 1030 F
12102L	MAGNESIUM ICP spectroscopy @ 285.2 nm Ref. APHA 3120 B	NWL4994	IONIC BALANCE
11102L	SODIUM	00100	IONIC BALANCE 2 %Diff=(Sum Cations-Sum Anions)/ (Sum Cations+Sum Anions)*100 Ref. APHA 1030 F
19111	POTASSIUM Diss., ICP Spectroscopy, Ref. APHA 3120 B	07105L	NO ₂ &NO ₃ -N Automated colorimetry Cadmium reduction Ref. APHA 4500-NO ₃ -,F
16306L	SULPHATE ICP spectroscopy @ 180.7 nm Ref. APHA 3120 B	26321	IRON Acid extr., ICP Spectro. Ref. APHA 3120 B
17203L	CHLORIDE Automated colorimetry, Thiocyanate Ref. APHA 4500 Cl ⁻ -,E	25321	MANGANESE Acid extr., ICP Spectro. Ref. APHA 3120 B
06301L	CARBONATE Potentiometric titration with standard acid to pH 8.3 and pH 4.5 Ref. APHA 2320 B	80016	MERCURY Dissolved, cold vapor atomic absorption spectroscopy, with H ₂ SO ₄ /K ₂ S ₂ O ₈ digest Ref. EPA 245.2
06201L	BICARBONATE Potentiometric titration with standard acid to pH 8.3 and pH 4.5 Ref. APHA 2320 B	34102	SELENIUM Dissolved, perchloric acid digest, auto. hydride atomic absorption spectroscopy
10151	P ALKALINITY Potentiometric titration with standard acid to pH 8.3. Report as CaCO ₃		

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