

INTRODUCTION

New geochemical data from re-analysis of archived stream sediment samples have been assessed using weighted sums modeling and catchment basin analysis as described in the methodology report that accompanies this map (Mackie et al., 2015). Both commodity and pathfinder element abundances are evaluated to highlight areas that show geochemical responses consistent with a variety of base and precious-metal mineral deposit types. The results of modeling, completed using two approaches, are presented as a series of catchment maps and associated data files. This release is part of a regional assessment of stream sediment geochemistry that covers a large part of Yukon.

SAMPLING AND ANALYSIS PROGRAMS

Stream sediment and water samples from the Klunene Lake area (NTS 115F and part of 115G) were collected at a reconnaissance scale in 1986 as part of the Canada-Yukon Mineral Resource Development Cooperation Agreement (Geological Survey of Canada, 1987). Field descriptions and initial geochemical data for 1005 sites were released in Geological Survey of Canada (GSC) Open File 1362. New geochemical data from the re-analysis of archive sample material from 699 sites were released in Yukon Geological Survey (YGS) Open File 2012-15 (Jackman, 2015). The discrepancy in number of sites between the two releases is because samples that occur within present limits of protected areas were not re-analysed. The reader is referred to these reports for detailed descriptions of sampling techniques, analytical procedures and quality control measures.

MINERAL OCCURRENCES

A variety of types of base- and precious-metal mineralization are known to occur in the Klunene Lake area as shown in Table 1 (Yukon MINFILE, 2015). The most significant deposits are classed as Cu-Ni-PGE (Wellgreen and Canlask deposits), Cu-Mo porphyry (Rockslide and Ruff prospects), Cu skarn (Arn and Az prospects), and quartz vein Au (Berdahl prospect). The adjacent map area to the east (Ashihik Lake) contains several quartz vein-related Au occurrences (Mom, Shut and Lid prospects) that form a trend that projects towards the southeast corner of the Klunene map area supporting the prospectivity of the region for this type of mineralization.

WEIGHTED SUMS MODELING

As described in the methodology report (Mackie et al., 2015), two approaches have been used to subdue the influence of background lithological variation and secondary absorption on the composition of stream sediments. One uses data levelled by the dominant

geology mapped within each catchment, while the other uses residuals calculated from regression against selected principal components. Weighted sums models (WSM) have been generated using the processed data. The importance rankings used in WSMs are summarized in Table 2. Each model is optimized for a target deposit type however other deposit types may be represented in a given model due to similarities in elemental abundances and associations.

Exploratory data analysis using both raw element data and principal components indicate that the distribution of many commodity and pathfinder elements is strongly influenced by lithological variation. Additionally, there is evidence of scavenging of metals ions by secondary Fe- and Mn-oxides/hydroxides, clays, and/or organic material. The first principal component accounts for ~32% of the total geochemical variation and shows high positive loadings for Co, Mg, Ni and Cr, and high negative loadings for Bi, Pb, U, La, Cd, Y, Th, Ag and Zn. Respectively, these groupings form spatial patterns that match the distribution of mafic-ultramafic intrusions and felsic intrusions. The second principal component shows negative loadings for Hg, Mo, LOI, Cd, Sb and Cu, and using LOI as a proxy for carbon, is suggestive of scavenging by organic material. This interpretation is supported by the fact that the map pattern of inverse PC2 coincides with lowlying regions where accumulation of organic material and/or clay is likely. Regression analysis of selected metals against the relevant principal component(s) effectively filters these effects while preserving responses related to known occurrences. Leveling by mapped geology has a more subdued effect on filtering the interpreted lithological control on the distribution of certain pathfinder elements. In order to reduce the impact this has on the WSM using this approach, certain elements were given low importance rankings or, in some cases, were omitted for certain deposit types.

The effectiveness of historical sampling coverage has been assessed empirically using graphs of WSMs plotted against catchment surface area to determine the ideal maximum catchment size (15 km²). Catchments that cover larger areas (shown on the map with bold outlines) are interpreted to have been under-sampled and thus require further sampling to properly evaluate the area for geochemical anomalies. Given the likelihood that a mineralization 'signal' would be progressively diluted with increasing catchment size, marginally high WSM scores in large catchments may also be of interest.

Table 2: Importance rankings for weighted sums models using residuals on principal components.

Target Deposit Type*	Other Deposit Types*	Mn	Fe	Co	Ni	Cu	Mo	Zn	Pb	Ag	Au	As	Ba	Cd	Sb	Se	Hg	Tl	Bi	W
Porphyry Cu-Mo	Cu skarn; Porphyry Mo				5	3				1	1									
Polymetallic Ag-Pb-Zn	SEDEX, VMS, Pb-Zn skarn; Epithermal Au-Ag						4	3	2		1		1		1					
Magmatic Ni-Cu-PGE			2	4	3	-2	-2													-1
Epithermal Au-Ag	Orogenic Au; Intrusion-related Au							4	4	2						2		2		
Orogenic Au	Intrusion-related Au; Epithermal Au-Ag								3	2							1			1
Hydrothermal Anomaly		x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x

*Polymetallic Ag-Pb-Zn type includes vein and manto styles; SEDEX = sedimentary exhalative Pb-Zn (Ag); VMS = volcanic-hosted/associated massive sulphide deposits; Hydrothermal anomaly = principal component 5

*Raw data following a log₁₀ transformation

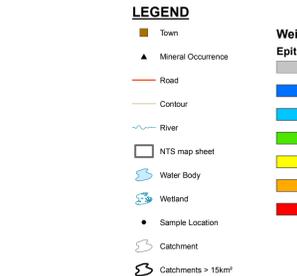


Table 1: List of Mineral Occurrences for NTS map sheet 115F and 115G (Yukon MINFILE, 2015)

Number	Name	Type	Status	Commodities
115F 030	SHARPE	Porphyry Cu-Mo-Au	Showing	Copper, Gold, Molybdenum, Silver
115F 031	CALLOPINS	Porphyry Cu-Mo-Au	Showing	Molybdenum
115F 032	ICE FIELD	Porphyry Mo (Low F-Type)	Anomaly	Copper, Molybdenum
115F 034	GARLIK	Porphyry Cu-Mo-Au	Prospect	Copper, Molybdenum, Platinum, Palladium, Gold
115F 036	HAWKINS	Unknown	Unknown	
115F 037	KOBERN	Unknown	Unknown	
115F 038	LIBERTY	Vein Cu-Ag Quartz	Showing	Copper, Gold, Lead
115F 039	GLIBSCO	Unknown	Anomaly	
115F 041	CATS AND DOGS	Ultramafic Mafic Gabbro Cu-Ni-PGE	Showing	Copper, Gold, Nickel, Palladium, Platinum
115F 042	MEMCO	Skarn Cu	Showing	Copper
115F 043	PROVANDALE	Ultramafic Mafic Gabbro Cu-Ni-PGE	Drilled Prospect	Copper, Nickel
115F 044	SEVENSMA	Ultramafic Mafic Gabbro Cu-Ni-PGE	Anomaly	
115F 045	CANALASK	Ultramafic Mafic Gabbro Cu-Ni-PGE	Prospect	Cobalt, Platinum, Palladium, Nickel, Molybdenum, Copper
115F 047	EPIC	Ultramafic Mafic Gabbro Cu-Ni-PGE	Prospect	Cobalt, Nickel, Platinum, Palladium, Copper
115F 048	ARN	Skarn Cu	Drilled Prospect	Copper, Gold
115F 049	SAMPETE	Skarn Cu	Prospect	Copper
115F 050	MEMDAY	Skarn Cu	Prospect	Wollastonite
115F 051	RAI	Skarn Cu	Drilled Prospect	Copper, Gold, Silver
115F 052	MEMOR	Unknown	Showing	Coal
115F 054	MEMOR	Coal	Showing	Coal
115F 055	MELELLAN	Coal	Showing	Coal
115F 056	RABBIT	Vein Cu-Ag Quartz	Drilled Prospect	Copper, Silver
115F 057	LEP	Skarn Cu	Drilled Prospect	Copper, Silver, Zinc
115F 058	WHITE RIVER	Ultramafic Mafic Gabbro Cu-Ni-PGE	Drilled Prospect	Copper, Silver
115F 060	SHARE	Volcanogenic Sulfide - type not determined	Drilled Prospect	Copper
115F 061	KLETSAN	Vein Cu-Ag Quartz	Showing	Copper
115F 067	CANYON MOUNTAIN	Porphyry Cu-Mo-Au	Showing	Copper, Gold
115F 068	WYESTER	Vein Polymetallic Ag-Pb-Zn-Au	Anomaly	Arsenic, Gold, Silver, Zinc, Lead, Copper
115F 069	HAWKAY	Unknown	Anomaly	Gold
115G 001	ME TALLINE	Sediment hosted Bedded Gypsum	Anomaly	Copper, Gypsum
115G 002	STONE	Coal	Prospect	Coal
115G 003	CONDON	Ultramafic Mafic Gabbro Cu-Ni-PGE	Prospect	Cobalt, Nickel, Platinum, Zinc, Copper, Gold
115G 004	MALLER	Porphyry Cu-Mo-Au	Unknown	Molybdenum
115G 005	DICKSON	Ultramafic Mafic Gabbro Cu-Ni-PGE	Prospect	Cobalt, Copper, Nickel, Platinum
115G 006	DESTRUCTION	Ultramafic Mafic Gabbro Cu-Ni-PGE	Prospect	Cobalt, Nickel, Platinum, Copper
115G 007	COOPER JOE	Ultramafic Mafic Gabbro Cu-Ni-PGE	Unknown	
115G 008	SQUARRE	Ultramafic Mafic Gabbro Cu-Ni-PGE	Unknown	
115G 009	WINDGAP	Coal	Prospect	Coal
115G 010	DUKE	Ultramafic-hosted asbestos	Showing	Asbestos, Silver, Gold
115G 011	HOSE	Coal	Prospect	Fluor Carbon
115G 012	AMPHITHEATRE	Coal	Showing	Coal
115G 013	WYSE	Ultramafic Mafic Gabbro Cu-Ni-PGE	Prospect	Copper, Gold, Silver
115G 014	AMP	Porphyry Cu-Mo-Au	Anomaly	Copper
115G 015	COOK	Porphyry Cu-Mo-Au	Drilled Prospect	Copper
115G 016	GLEN	Ultramafic Mafic Gabbro Cu-Ni-PGE	Drilled Prospect	Copper, Nickel, Gold
115G 017	BURWASH	Volcanogenic Massive Sulfide (VMS) Beach Cu-Zn	Drilled Prospect	Gold, Zinc, Silver
115G 018	LICKLETT	Ultramafic Mafic Gabbro Cu-Ni-PGE	Drilled Prospect	Copper, Gold, Silver
115G 020	VAG	Unknown	Unknown	
115G 021	DULE	Ultramafic Mafic Gabbro Cu-Ni-PGE	Drilled Prospect	Copper
115G 022	VERSLICE	Unknown	Drilled Prospect	Copper
115G 023	CALLAN	Unknown	Unknown	
115G 024	WELLGREEN	Ultramafic Mafic Gabbro Cu-Ni-PGE	Deposit	Copper, Osmium, Cobalt, Ruthenium, Rhodium, Platinum, Palladium, Nickel, Indium, Gold
115G 025	ARWAYS	Ultramafic Mafic Gabbro Cu-Ni-PGE	Drilled Prospect	Copper, Nickel, Platinum, Palladium, Gold
115G 026	MEKETEER	Ultramafic Mafic Gabbro Cu-Ni-PGE	Showing	Copper, Nickel, Platinum, Palladium, Gold
115G 027	SWEDÉ JOHNSON	Ultramafic Mafic Gabbro Cu-Ni-PGE	Showing	Copper, Nickel, Platinum, Palladium, Gold
115G 028	CEMENT	Coal	Showing	Coal
115G 029	ST. ELIAS	Vein Mo	Showing	Molybdenum
115G 030	SEXSMITH	Ultramafic Mafic Gabbro Cu-Ni-PGE	Drilled Prospect	Copper, Platinum, Gold
115G 035	NOX	Unknown	Anomaly	
115G 052	BOITARD	Unknown	Anomaly	
115G 062	DONKEL	Unknown	Anomaly	
115G 063	ELEVEN THIRTY	Skarn W	Showing	Tungsten
115G 064	KENNEDY	Skarn W	Showing	Tungsten
115G 065	TINUP	Ultramafic-hosted asbestos	Drilled Prospect	Asbestos
115G 066	NUNTAEA	Ultramafic-hosted asbestos	Anomaly	Asbestos
115G 067	DOOPACK	Unknown	Anomaly	
115G 068	BRICKS	Skarn Mo	Showing	Molybdenum
115G 069	TALBOT	Porphyry Cu-Mo-Au	Showing	Copper
115G 070	RAFF	Porphyry Cu-Mo-Au	Drilled Prospect	Copper, Molybdenum, Tungsten
115G 071	ROCKSLIDE	Porphyry Cu-Mo-Au	Drilled Prospect	Copper, Molybdenum, Tungsten
115G 072	NORTH STAR	Porphyry Mo (Low F-Type)	Anomaly	
115G 073	BED	Porphyry Mo (Low F-Type)	Anomaly	
115G 074	ALASKITE	Porphyry Mo (Low F-Type)	Anomaly	Copper, Molybdenum
115G 075	TRINELLE	Porphyry Cu-Mo-Au	Anomaly	
115G 076	DWARF	Porphyry Mo (Low F-Type)	Showing	Copper, Molybdenum
115G 077	BIRCH	Skarn Cu	Showing	Copper, Molybdenum
115G 078	BRUMMER	Unknown	Showing	Copper, Zinc
115G 079	RHYOLITE	Porphyry Cu-Mo-Au	Drilled Prospect	Copper, Molybdenum
115G 080	NICK	Ultramafic Mafic Gabbro Cu-Ni-PGE	Showing	Nickel
115G 081	EASTER	Unknown	Unknown	
115G 082	ALTE	Unknown	Unknown	
115G 083	CULA	Unknown	Unknown	
115G 084	BOCK	Ultramafic Mafic Gabbro Cu-Ni-PGE	Showing	Cobalt, Gypsum, Copper, Nickel, Platinum, Palladium
115G 085	MAPLE	Sediment hosted Bedded Gypsum	Showing	Gypsum
115G 086	COYSLAR	Sediment hosted Bedded Gypsum	Showing	Gypsum
115G 088	LYNX CREEK	Unknown	Anomaly	
115G 089	FREIBERG	Volcanogenic Massive Sulfide (VMS) Kuratou Cu-Pb-Zn	Showing	Copper
115G 090	ROBERTSON	Unknown	Anomaly	
115G 091	ELIAS	Unknown	Anomaly	
115G 092	BIGZOK	Paleosol	Anomaly	
115G 094	LINDA	Ultramafic Mafic Alaskan-type P1+O5+R1+I	Drilled Prospect	Cobalt, Gold, Copper, Indium, Ruthenium, Rhodium, Platinum, Palladium, Osmium, Nickel
115G 095	ARBY	Unknown	Unknown	
115G 096	HUXYUK	Unknown	Unknown	
115G 097	LONTH	Unknown	Anomaly	
115G 098	TONGY	Ultramafic Mafic Alaskan-type P1+O5+R1+I	Showing	Copper, Nickel, Platinum
115G 099	KILLANE	Unknown	Showing	Copper, Platinum, Nickel, Palladium
115G 100	WASH	Ultramafic Mafic Alaskan-type P1+O5+R1+I	Drilled Prospect	Copper, Platinum, Palladium, Nickel
115G 101	TAL	Unknown	Unknown	
115G 102	TRIMBLAY	Vein Cu-Ag Quartz	Unknown	Copper, Silver, Gold
115G 104	JURJ	Unknown	Anomaly	
115G 105	COFER	Unknown	Unknown	
115G 106	BERDHAL	Vein Au-Quartz	Prospect	Gold
115G 107	LAKE	Unknown	Unknown	

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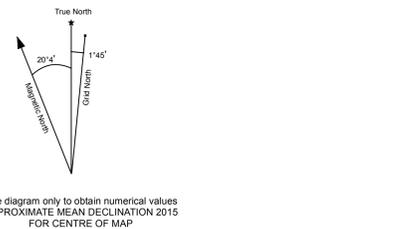
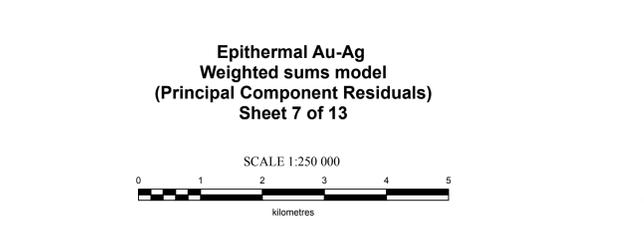
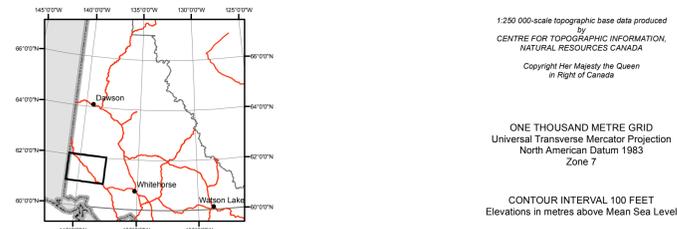
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Weighted sums model for Epithermal Au-Ag deposits using principal component residuals (NTS 115F and 115G)
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115F	THIS MAP	115H
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