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## PREFACE

**Yukon Exploration and Geology** (YEG) is the main publication of the Yukon Geology Program (Indian and Northern Affairs Canada and Yukon Government). This is the 25th volume of the YEG series, and marks a special year, since this is the tenth anniversary of the Yukon Geology Program. The volume contains up-to-date information on mining and mineral exploration activity, studies by industry, and results of recent geological field studies. Information in this volume comes from prospectors, exploration and government geologists, mining companies and students who are willing to collectively benefit the Yukon's mineral industry. Their assistance and patience is sincerely appreciated.

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The 2002 volume has four parts. The first – **Mineral Industry** – includes overviews of mining and exploration in the Territory, as well as prospecting activity documented as part of the Yukon Mining Incentives Program. The second part – **Government** – outlines the activities and organization of the Yukon Geology Program, and includes announcements of the fourth Mining Land Use Reclamation Awards, the Robert E. Leckie Awards. The third part – **Geological Fieldwork** – contains reports describing regional mapping, and more detailed geoscience studies. The last part – **Property Descriptions** – is a collection of geological reports of mineral occurrences with recent exploration advances or detailed studies, and is authored by industry and government geologists, as well as university students.

We welcome any input or suggestions that you may have to improve future YEG publications. Please contact me at (867) 667-3203 or by email at emondd@inac.gc.ca.

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## PRÉFACE

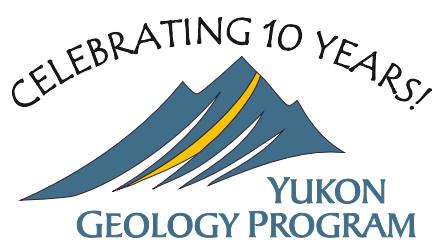
Yukon Exploration and Geology (YEG) est la publication principale du Service de géologie du Yukon (ministère des Affaires indiennes et du Nord canadien et gouvernement du Yukon). Il s'agit du 25e volume de la série YEG; il marque une année spéciale, puisque le Service de géologie du Yukon fête cette année son dixième anniversaire. Ce volume contient une mise-à-jour des activités d'exploitation minière et d'exploration minérale ainsi que des études fournies par le secteur privé, et les résultats d'études géologiques de terrain récentes. Les informations qu'il renferme ont été recueillies par des prospecteurs, des géologues du secteur privé et des services gouvernementaux, des sociétés minières et des étudiants disposés à faire profiter de ces connaissances l'ensemble de l'industrie minière du Yukon. Nous leur sommes sincèrement reconnaissants de leur aide et de leur patience.

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Le volume de 2002 renferme quatre parties. La première – **Mineral Industry** – présente des aperçus de l'exploitation et de l'exploration minérales au Yukon ainsi que des travaux de prospection tels que documentés dans le cadre du Yukon Mining Incentives Program d'encouragement des activités minières au Yukon. La deuxième partie – **Government** – esquisse les activités et l'organisation du Service de géologie du Yukon; on y trouvera également l'annonce des quatrièmes prix pour la restauration des sites miniers – les Prix Robert E. Leckie. La troisième partie – **Geological Fieldwork** – comprend des rapports décrivant les résultats de cartographie régionale et des études géoscientifiques détaillées. La dernière partie – **Property Descriptions** – est un recueil de rapports géologiques portant sur des indices minéraux ainsi que des textes sur les progrès récents en matière d'exploration et des études détaillées; elle a été rédigée par des géologues du secteur privé et des services gouvernementaux ainsi que par des étudiants universitaires.

Nous accueillons avec plaisir les commentaires et suggestions visant à améliorer les volumes futures du YEG. Prière de me contacter au (867) 667-3203 ou, par courriel, à emondd@inac.gc.ca.

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