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COAL LICENCES 490-495
LODGEPOLE CREEK AREA K.D.

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Dear Sir:

RE: Coal Licences 490 - 495
Lodgepole Creek Area K.D.

We are pleased to submit the enclosed report entitled "Second Report Coal Licences 490 to 495 K.D." dated May 16, 1977 in support of our Application to Extend Term of Licence pursuant to Sections 19 and 21 of the Coal Act 1974.

It is our intention to undertake further field work of a similar nature this season which could provide us with a better basis for assessing the area's coal potential.

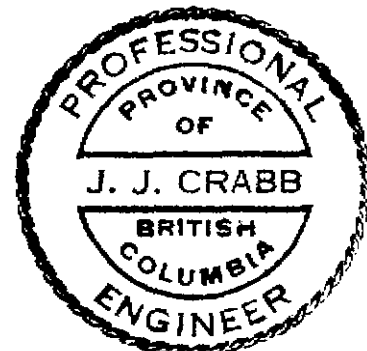
Yours very truly


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NOS. 490 TO 495 INCLUSIVE
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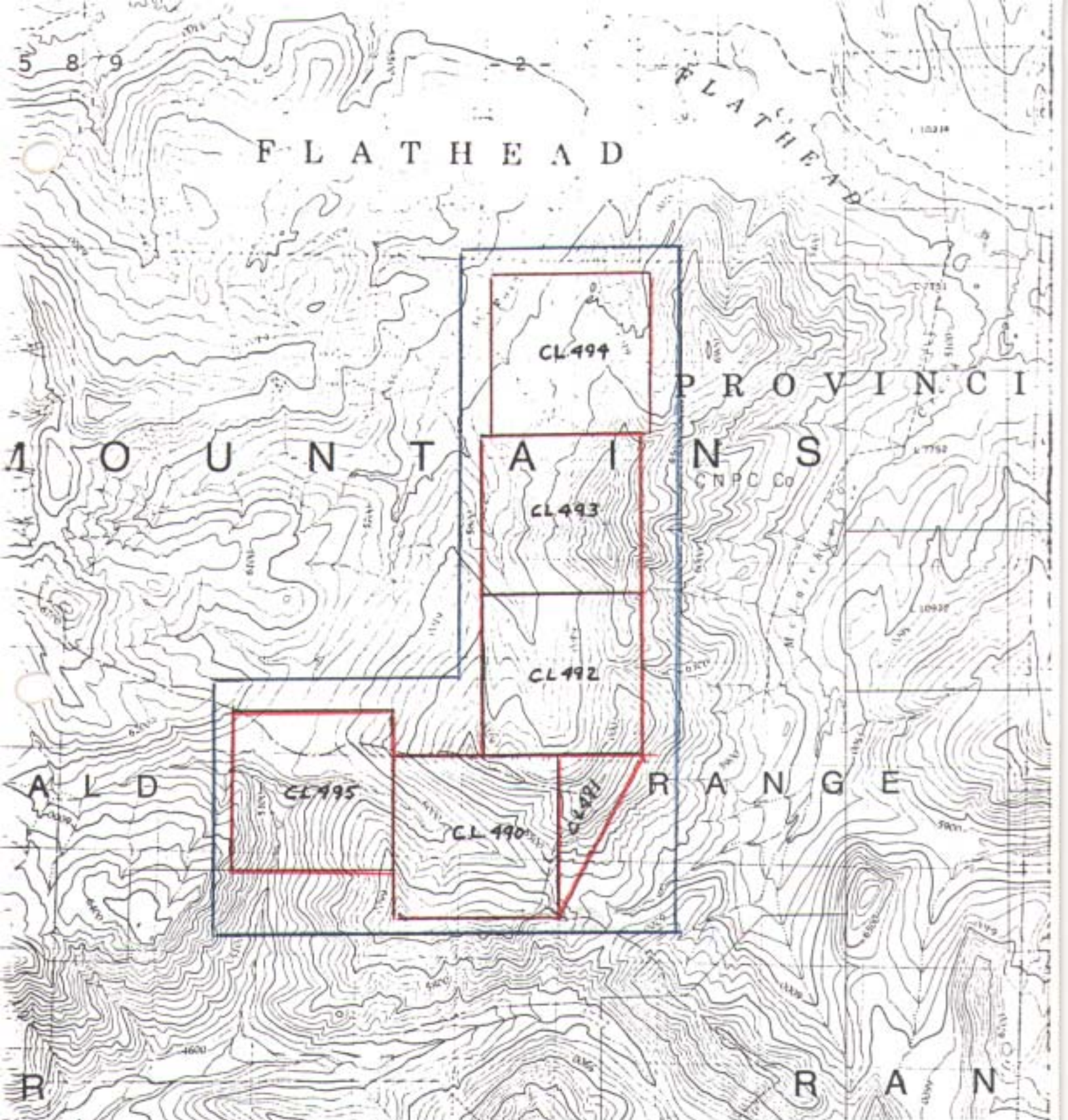
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INTRODUCTION

Crows Nest Industries Limited (C.N.I.) of Fernie, British Columbia holds coal licences 490 to 495 inclusive near the headwaters of Lodgepole and McLatchie Creeks, some 18 miles southeast of Fernie, B. C. (Lat. $49^{\circ} 20'$, Long. $114^{\circ} 42'$, Map ref. 82G/SE). Total area of the 6 licences is 3345 acres.

During the 1976 summer season, exploration consisting of hand trenching only was undertaken on and adjacent to coal licences nos. 490, 492 and 493.



INDEX MAP
(Part of 82G/SE)
Scale 1:50000

- Outline of Coal Licences
- Outline of Mapped Area

ACCESS

Access to the prospect area is via Lodgepole Forest Development Road (to mile 18 as measured from Morrissey station near Southern Trans Provincial Highway No. 3) and then via C.N.I.'s McLatchie Creek Logging road (3½ miles) where a Kaiser exploration road turns off to the west and proceeds to the summit at an elevation of about 6800'.

FIELD WORK

Aside from cleaning out Kaiser Resources access road to the ridge summit, no mechanical equipment was employed. All trenching and tracing of seams was accomplished by hand methods. Geologic mapping was confined to observing a few points along seam outcrops as shown on the accompanying map. Twenty-three hand trenches aggregating 754 feet in length and varying in depth from 3 feet to 7 feet exposed up to five separate coal seams. These were emplaced along five ridges where stratigraphic sections totalling over 2,000 feet were measured and described.

Detailed descriptions are provided in the appendix. These are keyed to an accompanying map (Scale 1":1000') and to the correlation table on page six.

DISCUSSION

The area is now considered more geologically complex than previously thought. Positive correlation of the lower seam(s) is not yet possible. Faulting has undoubtedly resulted in duplication, cutting off and, thickening or thinning of seams. Stratigraphic sections which follow illustrate the difficulty in correlating the seams from ridge to ridge.

More intensive geologic mapping is required before a meaningful program of additional hand trenching can be determined for the area already investigated. No work has yet been done on coal licences 490, 491 and 495 on the south and easterly extension of coal measures.

Initially it would appear that underground mineability would be ruled out on the basis of adverse geologic structure, at least near the outcrop belt. However, an attractive alternative could be an open-pit potential of the low cover thick-seam area down dip (west) of Ridges six and seven. Should field mapping confirm reserves of coal over a reasonable area, then trench samples of coal could be taken for proximate analysis.

Results to date are considered sufficiently encouraging to justify a larger exploration program for 1977.

STRATIGRAPHIC SECTIONS MEASURED ALONG
WEST SIDE MELTCHIE CREEK VALLEY
1976

VERTICAL SCALE 1" = 100'

(T15) TRENCH NO.

RIDGE 1
(1976)

125' SS.

1.0' COAL
23' SH.

40' SS.

15' BLK. SH.

55' SANDSTONE

17' CARB. SH.

20' SS

15' CARB. SH.

44' SILTSTONE

45' SS

1.0' COAL

20' SHALE-CARB

17.4' SEAM (T7)

13' SANDSTONE

15' SH.

18' SH (60%)
COAL (40%) (T2)

87' SH & SS

RIDGE 3
(1976)

15.4' SS

2' GRN SH

8.7' SEAM (T13)

16' SILT SH

11.5' CARB SH

2.7' SEAM (T14)

10' SH & SILT

41' SILTSTONE

8.7' CARB SH

30.1' SEAM (T15)

19' CARB SH.

40' SHALE

12' CARB SH.

31.2' SEAM (T16)

65' SHALE

85' SHALE

1.4' SH-BLK

6.4' SEAM T3A

5.2' SHALE

19.4' SEAM T3B

3' SH GREY

8' SILTSTONE

9.7' SH

17.5' SILT

7.3' SEAM (T5)

173' SHALE &
SILTSTONE

30' SEAM (T6)

36' SH.

RIDGE 0
(1975)

185' SS & SH

10.4' SEAM T1

30' SS, SH

5.0' SHY COAL

2.8' SEAM T2

75' SS & SH

21.8' SEAM T3

45' SHALE

15' DR SOLT4

25' SS & SH T5

14.7' SEAM T6

25' SH GREY

85' SS

1' SEAM T7

10' SH. GREY

RIDGE 4
(1976)

10' SILTSTONE

3.2' CARB SH

6.8' SEAM (T18)

2' CARB SH

95' SILTSTONE

10' CARB SH

19.9' SEAM (T19)

116' SH & SS

SOME CGI.

10.5' SEAM (T20)

30' SHALE

RIDGE 7

(T26)

55' SH

61' SEAM WITH PARTINGS

4.8' SH

3.5' COAL

2' SH.

9' COAL DIRTY

20' SHALE

15' COAL DIRTY

90' CARB SH.

65' SH

N32W/27W

RIDGE 7

(1976)

(T25)

30' SS & SH.

50.6' SEAM T25

130' SHALE

N8W/16W

BASAL KOOTENAY SANDSTONE
(MOOSE MTN. MEMBER)

STRATIGRAPHIC SECTION MEASURED FROM TOP OF RIDGE DOWN TO BASAL SANDSTONE (MOOSE MOUNTAIN MEMBER) RIDGE 0

Thickness
or Interval

Lithology

185'	Interbedded Shales and Sandstones
	<u>Seam #7 (Trench #1, length 14 ft.)</u>
	Roof - blocky brown shale
0'-11"	Blocky black shale
0'-4"	Friable, carbonaceous shale
0'-5"	Coal - soft and dirty
0'-4"	Friable, carbonaceous shale
9'-4"	Coal - clean and medium hard
	Floor - blocky gray shale
30'-0"	Sandstone underlain by blocky shale and siltstone.
	<u>Seam #6 (Trench #2, length 12 ft.)</u>
	Roof - Siltstone
5'-0"	Shale and coal stringers 75% and 25% respectively.
2'-8"	Coal - containing three - 2" shale stringers.
	Floor - dark shale
75'-0"	Sandstone underlain by shale.
	<u>Seam #5 (Trench #3, length 40 ft.)</u>
	Roof - blocky brown shale
1'-0"	Coal (75%) with shale stringers (25%)
0'-8"	Blocky black shale
1'-11"	Coal - medium hard
0'-4"	Shale lenses - friable gray
13'-8"	Coal - very clean, medium hard
0'-11"	Friable brown shale
1'-0"	Coal
0'-6"	Friable brown shale
1'-3"	Coal - soft, clean
0'-6"	Friable carbonaceous shale
	Floor - Siltstone
45'-0"	Shale

..... Cont.

Thickness
Interval

Lithology

Trench #4, length 20 ft., depth 7 ft.

Abandoned - appear to lie in fault zone

15'-0" Soil - like material

Trench #5, length 10 ft.

Abandoned - also in faulted area - only small amounts of coal found.

25'-0" Sandstone - forms a prominent mound above Trench #2 underlain by carbonaceous shale.

Seam #4 (Trench #6, length 27 ft.)

0'-10" Roof - blocky gray shale
0'-7" Mixture of finely banded shale and coal
0'-9" Coal - soft
2'-6" Friable gray shale
2'-0" Shale with coal stringers (50% each)
0'-2" Coal - clean, medium hardness
2'-8" Rusty Siltstone
0'-1" Coal - clean, hard
2'-10" Rusty siltstone
0'-1" Coal - clean, hard
0'-6" Shale
0'-6" Coal - clean, hard
0'-6" Oolitic hematite
0'-8" Coal and shale (50% each)
Floor - shale

25'-0" Blocky gray shale
85'-0" Sandstone

Seam #5 (Trench #7, length 3 ft.)

1'-0" Coal
10'-0" Shale - blocky gray
Basal Kootenay (Moose Mountain) Sandstone

350.9' Total section measured
40.8' Total coal in section
126.0' Total length of Trenches

STRATIGRAPHIC SECTION
(MEASURED DOWN)

RIDGE 1

Thickness Interval (ft.)	Lithology
125	Sandstone
1.0	<u>Coal</u>
23	<u>Shale</u> - blocky
40	Sandstone
15	Shale - blocky, black, carbonaceous
55	Sandstone - massive
17	Shale - blocky, black, carbonaceous
20	Sandstone
15	Shale - carbonaceous
44	Siltstone & shale
45	Sandstone - blocky, grey
1.0	<u>Coal</u>
20	<u>Shale</u> - carbonaceous
 <u>Trench T1 (76 R1 T1 S1)</u>	
12	Shale - blocky, brown weathered
0.4	Shale - friable
7.6	<u>Coal</u> - soft
5.6	<u>Shale</u> - blocky
3.8	<u>Coal</u> - soft
13	Sandstone - f.g. grey
15	Shale - blocky
	Seam thickness 17.0' Coal thickness 11.4'
 <u>Trench T2 (76 R1 T2 S1 A)</u>	
18	Shale and coal stringers (60% & 40%)
87	Shale and sandstone
 <u>Trench T3A (76 R1 T3 S2)</u>	
1.4	Shale - friable
6.0	<u>Coal</u> - Medium soft, fine bedded

Thickness Interval (ft.)	Lithology	
<u>Trench T3B (76 R1 T3 B)</u>		
5.2	Shale - blocky, carbonaceous	
0.3	Coal	
0.1	Shale	
3.9	Coal	
0.2	Shale - grey brown, soft	
2.8	Coal	
0.1	Shale - soft, grey-brown	
0.9	Coal	
0.2	Shale - soft, grey-brown	
10.9	Coal	
3	Shale F.W.	
8	Siltstone - grey-brown	
47	Shale - friable, carbonaceous	
17.5	Siltstone - blocky, grey-brown	Seam thickness - 19.4' Coal thickness - 18.8'
<u>Trench T4 (76 R1 T4 S3)</u>		
1.7	Shale	
0.5	Coal	
0.8	Shale - grey, soft	
5.4	Coal	
173	Shale & siltstone	Seam thickness - 6.7' Coal thickness - 5.9'
<u>Trench T6 (76 R1 T6 S4 A)</u>		
0.7	Coal	
0.1	Shale - brown, soft	
1.5	Coal	
0.1	Shale - brown, soft	
1.0	Coal	
0.3	Shale	
1.3	Coal - soft, dirty	
1.2	Iron oxide & coal (70% - 30%)	
0.1	Gumbo - (clay)	
2.3	Coal	
0.9	Iron oxide & coal (50% - 50%)	
1.0	Coal	
0.2	Iron oxide	

Thickness Interval (ft.)	Lithology
	<u>Trench T6 (76 R1 T6 S4 A) - (cont'd)</u>
0.6	<u>Coal</u>
0.7	<u>Iron Oxide</u>
3.1	<u>Coal</u>
0.7	<u>Iron Oxide</u>
2.0	<u>Coal</u>
0.2	<u>Iron Oxide</u>
6.0	<u>Coal</u>
0.1	<u>Shale - brown, soft</u>
4.3	<u>Coal</u>
0.7	<u>Shale</u>
0.9	<u>Coal</u>
	Seam thickness - 30.0'
	Coal thickness - 24.7'
36	Shale
-	Basal Kootenay Sandstone

STRATIGRAPHIC SECTION
(MEASURED DOWN)

RIDGE 2

Thickness Interval (ft.)	Lithology
	<u>Trench T8 (76 R2 T8 S3 C)</u>
9	Sandstone - fine grained, dark brown
1.5	Shale - friable, carbonaceous
0.6	Coal
1.2	Shale - friable, carbonaceous
3.8	Coal
1.7	Shale - strained rust
3.8	Coal
	Shale F.W.
	Seam thickness - 11.1'
	Coal thickness - 8.2'

STRATIGRAPHIC SECTION
(MEASURED DOWN)

RIDGE 3

Thickness Interval (ft.)	Lithology
5	Sandstone - fine grained, brown
6	Sandstone - fine grained, black
4	Sandstone - fine grained, buff to black
0.4	Sandstone - very thin - bedded
1.2	Shale - black
0.4	Shale - carbonaceous - platy
0.4	Shale - highly carbonaceous
<u>Trench T13 (76 R3 T13 S3)</u>	
0.4	<u>Coal</u>
0.3	<u>Shale</u> - carbonaceous
0.6	<u>Coal</u> - soft
0.5	<u>Shale</u> - fine bedded, carbonaceous
0.5	<u>Coal</u> - soft
0.9	<u>Shale</u> - dark brown
0.6	<u>Shale</u> - friable carbonaceous
1.1	<u>Coal</u>
0.2	<u>Gumbo (clay)</u> - carbonaceous
3.6	<u>Coal</u> - soft
	Seam thickness - 8.7'
	Coal thickness - 6.2'
1.1	Shale - brown strike N 12° W dip 31° SW
15	Siltstone & shale - weathers buff - good marker
11.5	Shale - carbonaceous
<u>Trench T14 (76 R3 T14)</u>	
0.3	<u>Coal</u>
1.0	<u>Shale</u> - carbonaceous, friable
1.4	<u>Coal</u> - soft, clean
10	Shale - carbonaceous & silty
41	Siltstone
8.7	Shale - carbonaceous

<u>Thickness</u> <u>Interval (ft.)</u>	<u>Lithology</u>	
<u>Trench T15 (76 R3 T15)</u>		
1.8	<u>Coal</u>	
0.2	<u>Shale</u>	
0.7	<u>Coal</u> - soft	
1.0	<u>Coal</u> - very hard & brittle	
1.2	<u>Shale</u> - hard, carbonaceous	
0.9	<u>Coal</u>	
0.3	<u>Shale</u>	
9.5	<u>Coal</u>	
2.7	<u>Shale</u> & <u>Coal</u> - (90% - 10%)	
4.0	<u>Coal</u> - very hard & brittle	
7.8	<u>Coal</u> - hard & flaky	
		Seam thickness - 30.1'
		Coal thickness - 25.7'
19	<u>Shale</u> - carbonaceous, blocky	
40	<u>Shale</u> - brown weathering	
12	<u>Shale</u> - carbonaceous	
	fault contact	
<u>Trench T16 (76 R3 T16)</u>		
0.4	<u>Coal</u>	
0.3	<u>Bone</u>	
0.9	<u>Coal</u>	
0.1	<u>Shale</u>	
1.2	<u>Coal</u>	
0.1	<u>Shale</u>	
24	<u>Coal</u> - 8 small shale stringers ¼" or less	
2	<u>Coal</u> with iron ore (bog iron)	
1.5	<u>Coal</u>	
0.1	<u>Shale</u>	
0.6	<u>Coal</u>	
		Seam thickness - 31.2'
		Coal thickness - 28.6'
85	<u>Shale</u>	
	Basal Kootenay Sandstone	

STRATIGRAPHIC SECTION
(MEASURED DOWN)

RIDGE 4

Thickness Interval (ft.)	Lithology
	<u>Trench T17 (76 R4 T17)</u>
	Exposed carbonaceous shale
	<u>Trench T18 (76 R4 T18)</u>
10	Siltstone
3.3	Shale - friable, carbonaceous
4.7	Shale & coal (60% - 40%)
2.1	<u>Coal</u>
2	Shale - friable, carbonaceous
95	Siltstone - mass - buff weathering
10	Shale - friable, carbonaceous
	<u>Trench T19 (76 R4 T19)</u>
2.0	<u>Coal</u> - dirty
0.8	<u>Shale</u>
1.0	<u>Coal</u>
0.2	<u>Shale</u> - brown
3.5	<u>Coal</u>
0.1	<u>Shale</u>
1.0	<u>Coal</u>
0.5	<u>Shale</u>
0.5	<u>Coal</u>
1.4	<u>Shale</u>
6.6	<u>Coal</u> - hard, clean
1.1	<u>Coal</u> - brittle, stained
1.0	<u>Coal</u>
0.1	<u>Shale</u>
0.1	<u>Coal</u>
	Seam thickness - 19.9' Coal thickness - 16.8'
116	Shale & sandstone with lenses of conglomerate

Thickness Interval (ft.)	Lithology
	<u>Trench T20 (76 R4 T20)</u>
5.1	<u>Coal</u>
0.1	<u>Gumbo</u>
0.6	<u>Coal</u>
0.1	<u>Shale</u> - strike N 38° W, dip 25° SW
0.7	<u>Coal</u>
0.6	<u>Shale & Coal</u> (70% - 30%)
2.5	<u>Coal</u> - soft
0.8	<u>Shale</u> - friable, soft, carbonaceous
	Seam thickness - 10.5'
	Coal thickness - 8.9'
30	Shale - blocky
	Basal Kootenay Sandstone

STRATIGRAPHIC SECTION
(MEASURED DOWN)

RIDGE 7

Thickness Interval (ft.)	Lithology
30	Sandstone & blocky shale
	<u>Trench T25 (76 R7 T25)</u>
1.0	Shale - friable, carbonaceous
2.2	Coal - friable, soft
1.4	Shale - yellow - brown stained
0.4	Coal - soft
0.2	Shale
0.4	Coal
0.1	Shale
0.3	Coal
0.2	Shale
2.1	Coal - hard, clean
0.1	Shale
2.0	Coal - hard, clean
0.1	Shale - yellow
0.2	Coal
0.1	Shale
3.0	Coal - hard, clean
0.1	Shale
3.6	Coal - hard, clean
0.3	Gumbo
1.0	Coal
0.1	Shale
1.2	Coal
0.2	Shale
0.4	Coal
0.2	Shale - yellow
2.5	Coal - soft
0.2	Shale
0.3	Coal
0.1	Shale
0.3	Coal
0.1	Shale
2.0	Coal - soft, clean
1.0	Gumbo - carbonaceous
11.0	Coal - medium hard, clean
0.4	Gumbo
1.0	Coal
0.3	Gumbo
5.0	Coal
2.0	Shale & coal stringers (50% - 50%)
2.6	Coal - soft, dirty
0.1	Iron band
1.8	Coal - soft, dirty
	Seam thickness - 50.6'
	Coal thickness - 43.3'
130	Shale - strike N 8° W, dip 26° W
	Basal Kootenay Sandstone

Thickness Interval	Lithology
	Sandstone & blocky shale
	<u>Trench T26 (76 R7 T26)</u>
0.8	Shale - friable & carbonaceous
2.5	Coal - soft, clean
0.1	Shale
2.8	Coal - soft
0.1	Shale - yellow
9.3	Coal - soft
0.1	Shale
3.0	Coal - moderately hard
0.2	Shale
15.0	Coal - moderately hard
0.2	Shale
0.8	Coal
3.0	Shale & coal (50% - 50%)
3.2	Coal
0.1	Shale - orange stained
1.4	Shale & coal (20% - 80%)
1.8	Coal
1.3	Coal & Shale (50% - 50%)
14.0	Coal
0.5	Iron band
0.2	Coal
0.6	Coal & shale (50% - 50%) strike N 30° W, dip 43° W
0.8	Coal
4.8	Shale
3.5	Coal
7.0	Shale - friable, carbonaceous
9.0	Coal - soft & dirty
20	Shale
3.0	Coal & shale stringers (50% - 50%)
12	Coal - very dirty, bloom
40	Shale - friable, carbonaceous
60	Shale - Blocky - strike N 32° W, dip 22° W

Seam thickness - 115.5'
 Coal thickness - 79.3'

Basal Kootenay Sandstone

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(MAPS)

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MINING AREA BOUNDARY	
HORIZONTAL CONTROL POINT	
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PREPARED FOR
GROWS NEST INDUSTRIES LIMITED
 TOPOGRAPHIC MAP OF
LODGEPOLE COAL AREA
BRITISH COLUMBIA

- PROMINENT CONGLOMERATE
- SEAM OUTCROP APPROX. LOC.
- - - " " ASSUMED "
- RA RIDGE NUMBER 4
- xT3 TRENCH " 3
- FAULT APPROX. LOC.
- BASAL KOOTENAY SS. (APPROX.)
- == ACCESS ROAD

NOTE: Horizontal and Vertical Information
 Derived From N.T.S. 1:50,000 Maps
 ARBITRARY GRID: No Fixed Origin

Contour Interval 50 feet
 Contours in wooded areas are approximate only
 Elevations in feet above Mean Sea Level

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