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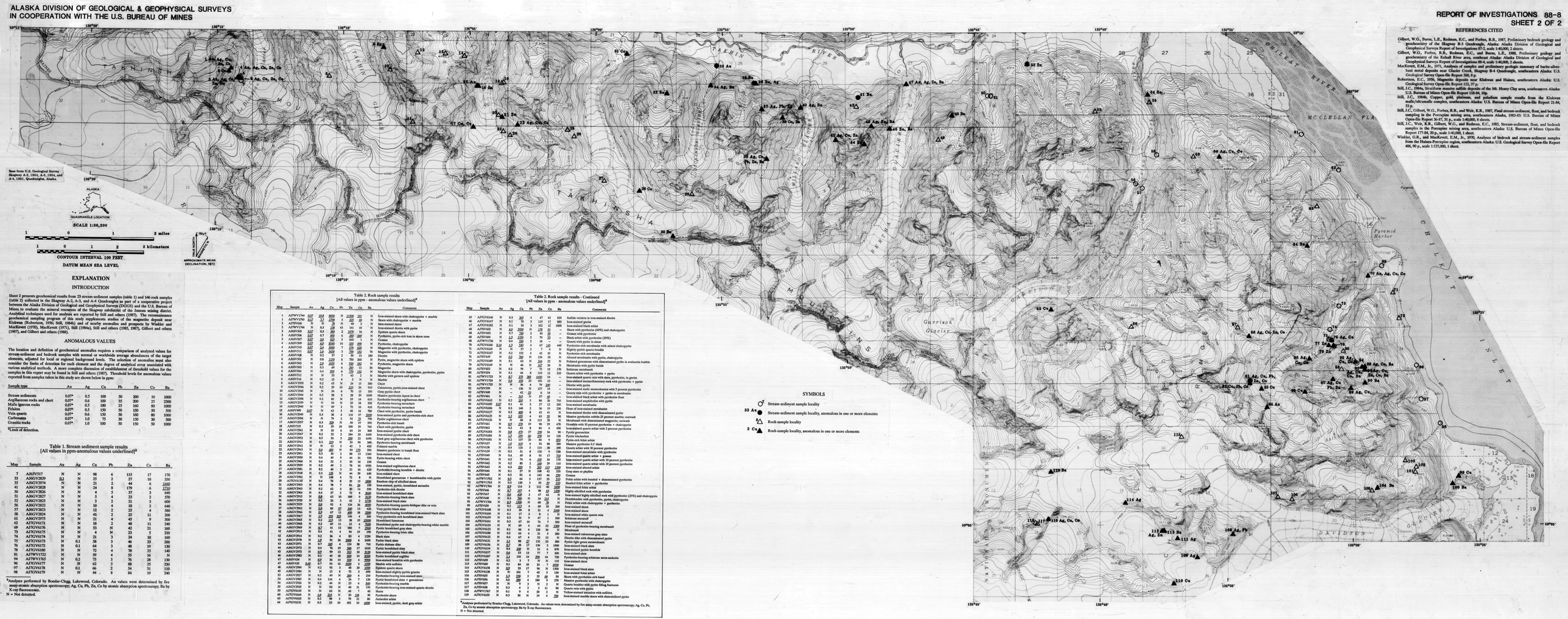

EXPLANATION

INTRODUCTION

Sheet 2 presents geochemical results from 23 stream-sediment samples (table 1) and 146 rock samples (table 2) collected in the Skagway A-2, A-3, and A-4 Quadrangles as part of a cooperative project between the Alaska Division of Geological and Geophysical Surveys (DGGS) and the U.S. Bureau of Mines to evaluate the mineral resources of the Skagway subdistrict of the Juneau mining district. Analytical techniques used for analyses are reported by Still and others (1987). The reconnaissance geochemical sampling program of this study supplements studies of the magnetite deposit near Klukwan (Robertson, 1956; Still, 1984b) and of nearby anomalies and prospects by Winkler and MacKevett (1970), MacKevett (1971), Still (1984a), Still and others (1985, 1987), Gilbert and others (1987), and Gilbert and others (1988).

ANOMALOUS VALUES

The location and definition of geochemical anomalies requires a comparison of analyzed values for stream-sediment and bedrock samples with normal or worldwide average abundances of the target elements, adjusted for local or regional background levels. The selection of anomalies must also consider the limits of detection for each element and the degree of analytical error associated with various analytical methods. A more complete discussion of establishment of threshold values for the samples in this report may be found in Still and others (1987). Threshold levels for anomalous values reported from samples taken in this study are shown below in ppm:

Sample type	Au	Ag	Cu	Pb	Zn	Co	Ba
Stream sediments	0.07*	0.5	100	50	200	50	1000
Argillaceous rocks and chert	0.07*	0.6	100	35	200	25	2500
Mafic igneous rocks	0.07*	0.5	180	25	160	80	1000
Felsites	0.07*	0.5	150	50	150	50	500
Vein quartz	0.07*	0.6	150	50	160	80	1000
Carbonates	0.07*	1.0	75	30	150	30	500
Granitic rocks	0.07*	1.0	100	50	150	50	1000

*Limit of detection.

Table 1. Stream sediment sample results
[All values in ppm-anomalous values underlined][a]

Map	Sample	Au	Ag	Cu	Pb	Zn	Co	Ba
7	AK6V517	N	N	98	6	115	17	170
33	A86GV2829	0.1	N	25	2	27	10	330
35	A86GV2914	N	N	21	2	44	6	1440
41	A86GV2828	N	N	24	8	179	6	1710
50	A86GV2826	N	N	4	5	37	3	640
51	A86GV2827	N	N	5	4	23	2	570
52	A86GV2825	N	N	5	2	21	3	600
56	A86GV2822	N	N	10	4	18	2	640
57	A86GV2823	N	N	13	2	25	4	580
58	A86GV2824	N	N	41	2	25	11	200
61	A86GV2975	N	N	21	4	45	9	300
62	A70GV6171	N	N	18	2	48	11	240
69	A70GV6176	N	N	53	4	42	21	160
73	A70GV6175	N	N	4	N	53	5	210
74	A70GV6174	N	N	21	3	24	10	160
75	A70GV6173	N	0.1	46	3	46	23	200
76	A70GV6172	N	0.1	64	3	48	19	130
79	A70GV6180	N	N	72	4	78	25	140
81	A77WV1722	N	N	59	4	55	16	N
94	A77WV1765	N	0.2	75	5	76	28	130
96	A77GV6177	N	N	62	5	88	25	230
97	A77GV6178	N	0.1	66	2	54	31	110
98	A70GV6179	N	N	44	8	84	19	240

[a]Analyses performed by Bondar-Clegg, Lakewood, Colorado. Au values were determined by fire assay-atomic absorption spectroscopy; Ag, Cu, Pb, Zn, Co by atomic absorption spectroscopy; Ba by X-ray fluorescence.
N = Not detected.

Table 2. Rock sample results
[All values in ppm - anomalous values underlined][a]

Map	Sample	Au	Ag	Cu	Pb	Zn	Co	Ba	Comments
1	A70V1734	0.07	10.8	8000	N	11500	101	N	Iron-stained skarn with chalcopyrite + marble
2	A70V1735	0.07	3.0	8000	6	2500	69	N	Skarn with chalcopyrite + marble
3	A70V1736	N	N	1700	4	215	27	N	Iron-stained skarn
4	A70V1736	N	0.3	138	43	141	7	N	Iron-stained diorite with pyrite
5	A86V1508	0.07	0.3	2000	2	10200	16	N	Epidote quartz skarn
6	A86V1506	0.07	0.7	800	6	2800	240	N	Iron-stained pyrite-rich lens in skarn zone
7	A86V1507	0.07	3.0	820	2	660	21	N	Granite
8	A86V1509	0.07	4.0	8500	14	3100	490	N	Pyrrhotite, chalcopyrite
9	A86V1510	0.07	2.4	5000	73	4700	130	N	Magnetite with pyrrhotite, chalcopyrite
10	A86V1511	0.07	1.6	3030	3	700	150	70	Magnetite with pyrrhotite, chalcopyrite
11	A86V1508	N	N	77	2	50	13	550	Diorite
12	A86V1501	N	0.8	1100	6	550	260	N	Pyrite, magnetite skarn with epidote
13	A86V1502	N	2.6	3500	6	4500	180	N	Pyrrhotite, magnetite skarn
14	A86V1503	N	0.3	69	6	280	12	30	Magnetite
15	A86V1504	N	0.4	2500	6	1700	1400	N	Magnetite skarn with chalcopyrite, pyrrhotite, pyrite
16	A86V1512	N	N	33	7	43	3	N	Marble with garnets and epidote
17	A86V1513	N	N	5	2	7	3	N	Marble
18	A86V2055	N	0.2	61	N	29	15	360	Chert
19	A86V2946	N	0.2	39	10	24	15	560	Chert-arenite, pyritic,iron-stained chert
20	A86V2945	N	N	54	6	70	15	350	Gray pyritic chert
21	A86V2944	N	0.5	38	3	38	39	1090	Massive pyritiferous layers in chert
22	A86V2958	N	0.2	84	N	55	14	410	Pyrrhotite-bearing argillaceous chert
23	A86GV2959	N	N	54	N	29	18	350	Pyrrhotite-bearing metachert
24	A86GV2960	N	N	49	2	72	16	410	Pyrrhotite-bearing metachert
25	A86V499	0.07	N	62	5	48	16	780	Chert with pyrrhotite, pyrite bands
26	A86GV2969	N	N	28	4	110	37	2020	Iron-stained pyrite and pyrrhotite-rich chert
27	A86GV2956	N	N	79	2	92	29	790	Pyritic argillaceous chert
28	A86GV2957	N	0.3	320	N	80	17	350	Pyrrhotite-rich basalt
29	A86V579	N	0.3	39	10	100	39	760	Chert with pyrrhotite, pyrite
30	A86GV2967	N	0.2	71	3	144	30	360	Iron-stained pyritic chert
31	A86GV2968	N	0.2	36	3	200	21	1000	Iron-stained pyrrhotite-rich chert
32	A86GV2961	N	0.5	241	9	24	50	340	Pyrrhotite-bearing argillaceous chert with pyrrhotite
33	A86GV2962	N	N	12	2	42	3	410	Pyrrhotite-bearing metabasalt
34	A86GV2963	N	N	80	5	50	170	390	Foliated marble
35	A86GV2951	N	0.3	30	2	68	13	1360	Massive pyrrhotite in basalt float
36	A86GV2950	N	0.4	49	2	72	31	550	Iron-stained chert
37	A86GV2960	N	0.4	52	5	30	16	230	Pyrite-bearing white chert
38	A86GV2959	N	0.2	67	3	78	16	1950	Gossan
39	A86GV2981	N	0.3	80	3	32	16	420	Iron-stained argillaceous chert
40	A86GV2982	N	0.3	130	3	44	19	640	Pyrrhotite-bearing hornfels + diorite
41	A86GV2983	N	N	78	6	72	9	340	Iron-stained chert
42	A86GV2984	N	N	53	4	61	8	2020	Hornfelsed gossanous + hornblendite with pyrite
43	A70GV6130	N	0.4	98	6	73	14	N	Iron-stained clay of silicified skarn
44	A70GV2950	N	N	28	4	81	50	1350	Iron-stained pyritic, hornfelsed metasitlt
45	A70GV2963	N	0.2	62	3	30	14	550	Pyrrhotite-rich chert
46	A70GV2964	N	N	37	2	72	8	3040	Iron-stained hornfelsed slate
47	A86GV2915	N	0.8	63	10	189	9	2120	Pyrrhotite-bearing black slate
48	A86GV2925	N	0.6	90	5	53	14	1170	Iron-stained black slate
49	A86GV2929	N	0.8	92	4	124	26	4000	Pyrrhotite-bearing quartz-feldspar dike or vein
50	A86GV2930	N	0.5	89	2	53	33	430	Very pyritic black slate
51	A86GV2966	N	0.9	67	11	800	18	3200	Pyrrhotite-bearing hornfelsed iron-stained black slate
52	A86GV2967	N	1.0	2000	300	146	4	260	Very pyrrhotite-rich hornfelsed slate
53	A86GV2968	N	0.2	113	13	28	19	10000	Hornfelsed limestone
54	A86GV2969	N	0.2	71	3	38	9	1000	Hornfelsed pyritic and chalcopyritic-bearing white marble
55	A86GV2985	N	N	60	4	64	52	1500	Hornfelsed pyritic and chalcopyritic-bearing white marble
56	A86GV2986	N	N	78	6	73	8	2500	Pyritic hornfelsed gray slate
57	A86GV2913	N	0.4	41	4	94	19	2000	Pyrrhotite-bearing felsic dike
58	A86GV2914	N	0.3	36	2	83	4	1220	Black slate
59	A86GV2970	N	1.0	91	26	3000	6	2650	Pyritic black slate
60	A86GV2971	N	0.7	160	4	124	58	2020	Pyritic chlorite slate
61	A86GV2972	N	0.4	76	19	300	17	3010	Pyritic hornfelsed slate
62	A86GV2973	N	0.5	90	352	160	20	2120	Iron-stained pyritic black slate
63	A86GV2983	N	0.2	45	18	660	14	2220	Pyritic hornfelsed argillite
64	A86V583	N	0.2	73	36	141	10	2000	Iron-stained hornfelsis with pyrrhotite
65	A70GV6144	N	0.3	265	4	47	42	820	Sulfide veinlets in iron-stained diorite
66	A70GV6147	N	0.1	70	3	119	17	180	Iron-stained gneiss
67	A70GV6182	N	0.1	34	3	102	13	1800	Iron-stained black schist
68	A70V6102	N	0.6	2050	N	178	55	--	Skarn with pyrrhotite (20%) and chalcopyrite
69	A70V6103	N	0.7	280	2	40	35	--	Gossan with pyrrhotite
70	A70V6104	N	1.2	1350	3	70	23	--	Black schist with pyrrhotite (20%)
71	A70V6176	N	0.4	200	2	18	7	--	Quartz with pyrite in shear
72	A70GV6180	0.13	N	37	3	57	14	N	Pyrrhotite-rich metabasalt with minor chalcopyrite
73	A70GV6165	N	0.2	152	4	45	35	N	Slightly pyritic quartz boudin
74	A70V6165	N	0.5	260	N	134	18	N	Pyrrhotite-rich basalt
75	A70V6189	N	0.1	65	N	164	22	N	Altered metabasite with pyrite, chalcopyrite
76	A70V6169	N	N	46	N	167	36	N	Foliated greenstone with disseminated pyrite in avalanche bubble
77	A70V6163	N	0.2	152	4	45	35	N	Metabasite with pyrite bands
78	A70V6164	N	0.2	79	7	75	15	170	Schistose metabasalt
79	A70V6184	N	0.1	44	8	180	12	220	Quartz schist with pyrrhotite + pyrite
80	A70V6183	N	0.2	79	7	75	15	170	Schistose metabasalt
81	A70V6184	N	0.1	44	8	180	12	220	Quartz schist with pyrrhotite + pyrite
82	A70V6185	N	0.1	44	8	180	12	220	Quartz schist with pyrrhotite + pyrite
83	A70V6186	N	0.1	44	8	180	12	220	Quartz schist with pyrrhotite + pyrite
84	A70GV6183	0.07	0.1	200	3	86	35	760	Iron-stained amphibolite with pyrite
85	A70GV6184	N	0.3	140	2	36	19	220	Iron-stained amphibolite
86	A70GV6185	N	0.2	400	8	42	41	N	Float of iron-stained metabasite
87	A70GV6186	N	0.3	140	2	36	19	220	Float of iron-stained metabasite
88	A70GV6187	N	0.2	400	8	42	41	N	Iron-stained diorite with disseminated pyrite
89	A70GV6125	1.2	0.5	1100	63	25	90	N	Massive pyrrhotite cobble-25 percent matrix; outcrop
90	A70GV6126	N	N	68	8	115	28	N	Metabasalt with disseminated magnetite; outcrop
91	A70V561	0.9	2.0	19	90	29	470	--	Hornfels with 10 percent pyrrhotite + chalcopyrite
92	A70V562	N	0.2	43	8	84	6	490	Iron-stained quartz schist with 2 percent pyrrhotite
93	A70GV6183	N	0.5	470	27	210	34	90	Pyritic greenschist
94	A70GV6184	N	1.2	220	50	250	16	120	Pyritic thrusherbist
95	A70GV6185	N	0.2	107	20	80	9	800	Pyrite-rich felsic schist
96	A70V537	N	1.0	810	6	50	88	280	Massive pyrrhotite 0.7' thick
97	A70V538	N	0.6	71	8	110	38	195	Quartz schist with 30 percent pyrrhotite
98	A70V539	N	0.5	31	8	130	17	130	Iron-stained metabasite with pyrrhotite
99	A70V540	N	0.4	49	8	90	19	130	Iron-stained quartz schist + gossan
100	A70V541	N	0.2	74	6	105	34	175	Iron-stained quartz schist with 10 percent pyrrhotite
101	A70V542	N	0.2	85	3	105	29	110	Iron-stained quartz schist with 10 percent pyrrhotite
102	A70V543	N	0.3	205	2	262	117	1200	Iron-stained altered schist
103	A70V544	N	0.1	27	N	108	42	330	Gray slate or phyllite
104	A70V545	N	0.2	92	6	143	46	250	Gossan
105	A70GV6182	N	0.5	64	3	137	35	210	Felsic schist with banded + disseminated pyrrhotite
106	A70V1583	N	0.3	120	3	95	27	200	Banded felsic schist + pyrrhotite
107	A70V1584	N	0.9	114	3	113	40	1020	Iron-stained felsic schist
108	A70V1585	N	0.7	177	4	98	43	1350	Highly silicified rock with pyrrhotite
109	A70V1586	N	0.6	520	2	47	62	N	Iron-stained highly silicified rock with pyrrhotite (25%) and chalcopyrite
110	A70V548	N	0.8	220	3	67	43	1000	Hornblendite with pyrrhotite, pyrite, chalcopyrite
111	A70V1746	0.3	1.2	1300	N	48	28	260	Felsic schist with chalcopyrite + pyrrhotite
112	A70V1570	N	0.2	115	4	60	20	300	Iron-stained schist
113	A70V1568	N	0.3	30	3	81	14	2220	Iron-stained diorite
114	A70V1560	N	0.1	17	3	8	1	N	Iron-stained white quartz vein
115	A70V1559	N	0.3	31	3	67	13	1000	Iron-stained diorite
116	A70V1561	N	0.3	67	16	76	7	500	Iron-stained metasilt
117	A70V1562	N	N	60	4	64	52	1500	Hornfelsed pyritic chalcopyrite-bearing metabasalt
118	A70V1623	N	0.1	66	4	126	34	N	Metabasalt
119	A70V1624	N	0.2	64	4	31	5	N	Iron-stained calcareous gray slate
120	A70V1625	N	0.4	67	3	52	13	N	Diorite dike with disseminated pyrite
121	A70V1622	N	0.6	87	27	153	13	N	Pyritic light green metavolcanic
122	A70V1626	N	0.7	78	4	136	5	1900	Iron-stained black slate
123	A70V1654	N	0.4	240	N	56	3	1000	Iron-stained pyritic hornfels
124	A70V1657	N	0.6	53	13	77	7	500	Iron-stained slate
125	A70V1687	N	1.1	134	14	206	64	730	Pyrrhotite-bearing whitestone meta-andesite
126	A70V1659	N	0.1	3	7	N	N	110	Iron-stained chert
127	A70V1660	N	0.1	84	10	24	7	2000	Gossan
128	A70V1658	N	0.5	33	17	56	N	1200	Iron-stained black slate
129	A70V1628	N	N	101	7	45	3	130	Iron-stained felsic schist
130	A70V1627	N	1.2	530	7	25	66	50	Skarn with pyrrhotite-rich band
131	A70V1629	N	0.6	280	4	180	9	270	Massive pyrrhotite with chalcopyrite
132	A70V1627	N	0.3	7	2	5	N	N	Quartz boulder with pyrite filling fractures
133	A70V1628	N	0.3	4	2	3	11	90	Quartz vein with pyrite
134	A77WV1787	N	0.1	9	4	11	N	N	Yellow-stained intrusion with sulfides
135	A70V1633	N	0.3	30	N	19	4	250	Iron-stained marble skarn with disseminated pyrite

[a]Analyses performed by Bondar-Clegg, Lakewood, Colorado. As values were determined by fire assay-atomic absorption spectroscopy; Ag, Cu, Pb, Zn, Co by atomic absorption spectroscopy; Ba by X-ray fluorescence.
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