

Canada-Nunavut Geoscience Office

Report of Activities 2013

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Introduction

Provide an update on the activities of the Canada-Nunavut Geoscience Office.

- Office Update
- Geoscience Program Update
- Future Work





Office Update

Mandate: Provide accessible geoscience information and expertise in Nunavut to support:

- Responsible resource exploration and development
- Responsible infrastructure development
- Geoscience capacity building, education, training and outreach.
- Six person office
 - Paleozoic (1), Precambrian (1) and Surficial (1) Geologists, GIS (1) and data dissemination (1).
- Renewed 5-year office agreement
- Office move (February 2013)





Office Update





Diane Skipton Mary Claire-Ward Award Winner

Annual GAC/PDAC award for graduate student that contributes knowledge about the geologic history of Canada. **Dr. Alessandro lelpi** NSERC Visiting Fellowship Grant

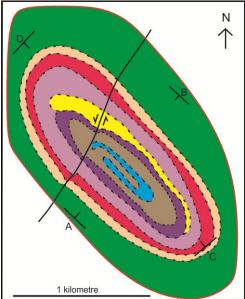
Targeted Bedrock Mapping to Evaluate the Metal Potential in the Under-Explored Elu Basin of western Nunavut

Geoscience Training Program





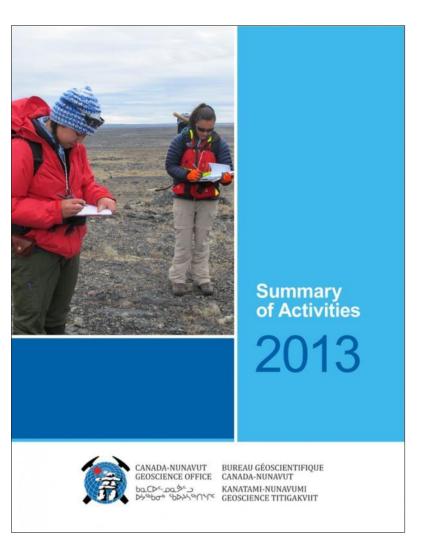




Monzogranite	Coarse grained; equigranular; tan to white weathering; porphyritic K-feldspar
Quartzite	Grey-blue; coarse-grained; biotite defines bedding; associated with rose quartz veins
Diorite Gneiss	Fine-grained; light and dark compositional layers with garnet, plagioclase, biotite and significant
Iron Formation	amounts of clinopyoxene Garnet and grunerite; silicified magnetite layers
Diorite Gneiss	Medium grained; rare clinopyroxene
Semi-Pelite	Rusty weathering; contains biotite, graphite, and quartz; associated with calc-clicate
Diorite Gneiss	Brown weathering; fine grained; contains biotite, hornblende, clinopyoxene, and garnet in east
Tonalite	White weathering; gneissic; contains biotite, quartz, plagioclase and rare clinopyroxene

CNGO and Dalhousie University

Summary of Activities



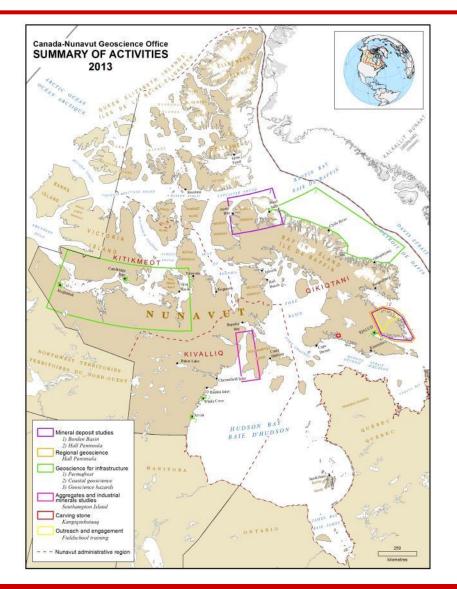
22 papers published in 2013

Sections

- 1. Mineral Deposit Studies
- 2. Regional Geoscience
- 3. Geoscience for Infrastructure
- 4. Carving Stone
- 5. Aggregate and Industrial Minerals
- 6. Education and Outreach

New series released – Geoscience Data Series

Geoscience Program (2013-2014)



Project Areas:

Mineral District and Mineral Deposit Studies

Regional Geoscience

Protecting Investments in Infrastructure

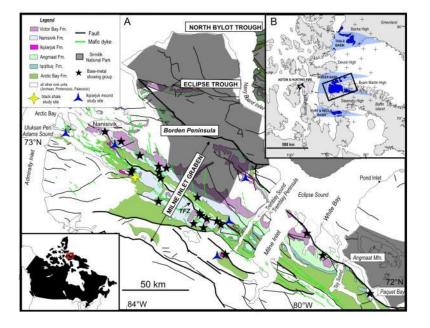
Carving Stone

Aggregate Studies and Industrial Minerals

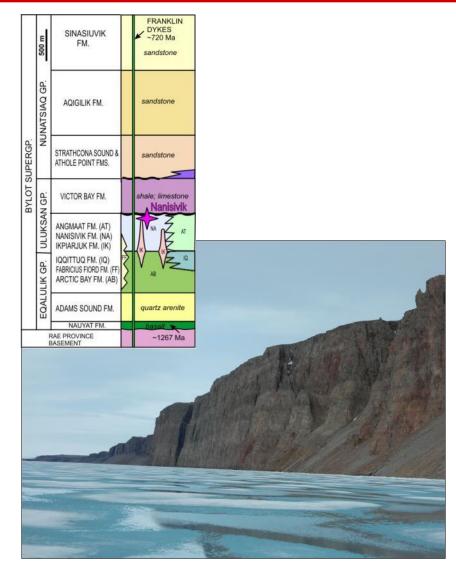
Mineral District and Mineral Deposit Studies

Mesoproterozoic Borden Basin

Collaboration with: Laurentian University

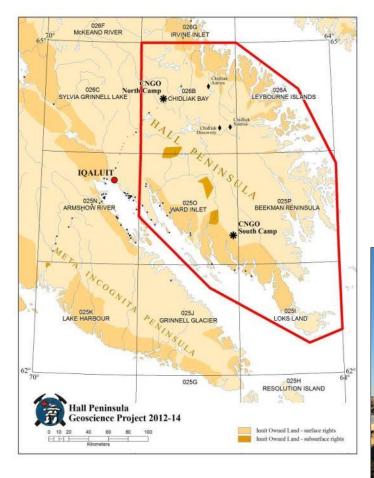


Ikpiarjuk Formation mounds and the composition of the vent fluid that formed them. Potential for SEDEX deposits.



Regional Geoscience

Hall Peninsula Integrated Geoscience Program



Sunrise Camp, Hall Peninsula, NU

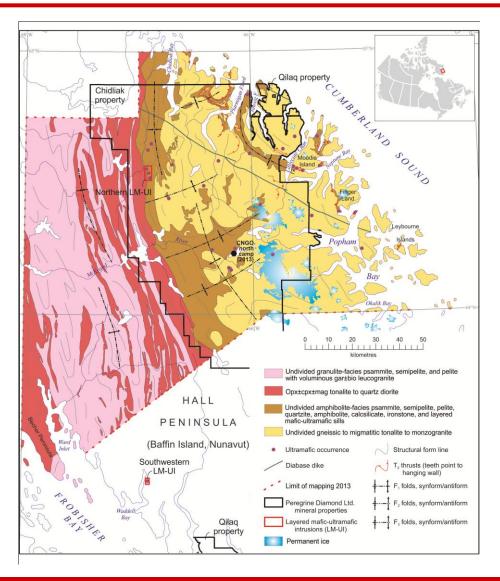
Cooperation with: Peregrine Diamonds and DeBeers





Collaboration with: U of Alberta U of Ottawa Dalhousie Laval U of Saskatchewan U of Manitoba Waterloo Nunavut Arctic College GSC

Hall Peninsula - Bedrock





Layered Mafic Intrusions



Carving Stone

Hall Peninsula – Public Talk



Understanding Carving Stone and Mineral Potential on Southern Baffin Island Through Geoscience Mapping

a presentation by

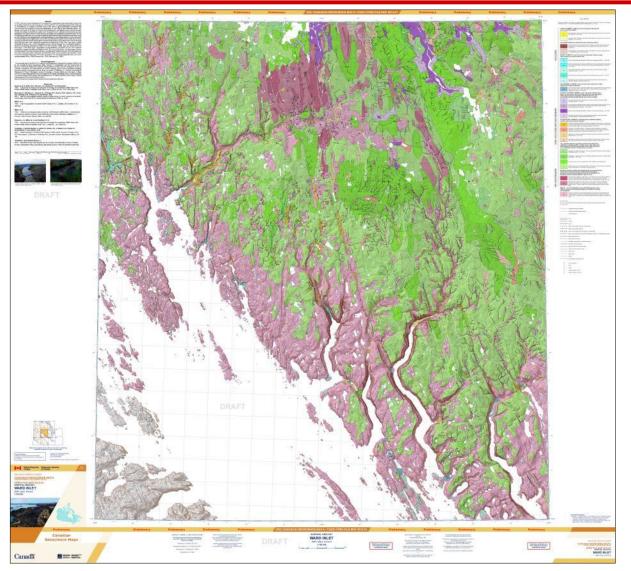
Holly Steenkamp

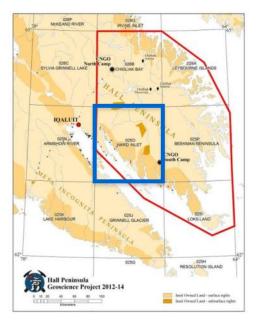
Wednesday, April 9

7:00 pm

Nunavut Research Institute(959-A)

Hall Peninsula - Surficial



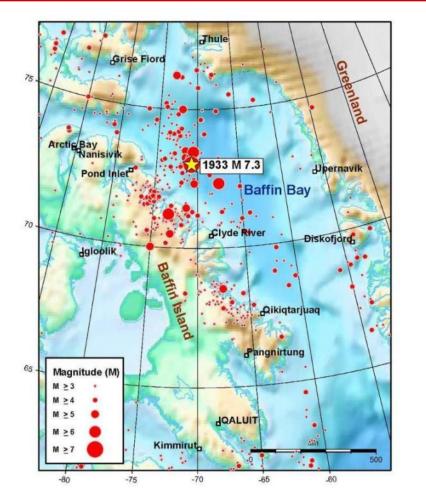


New 1:100 000 scale mapping being completed (250).

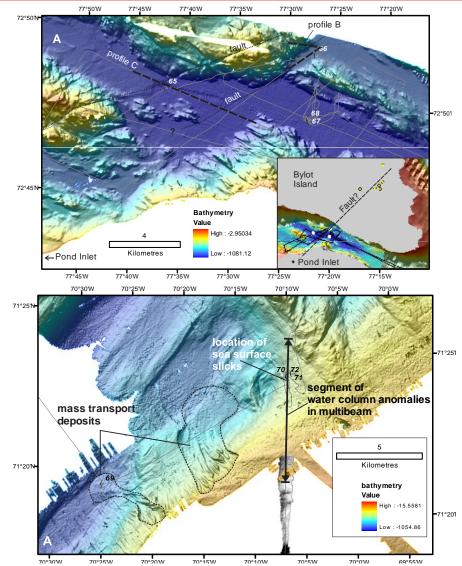
Till geochemistry, ice flow and glacial erosion studies.

New kimberlite dike discovered (CH-64)

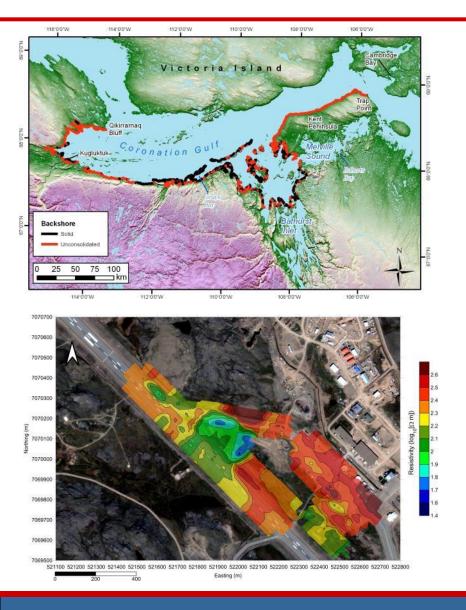
Protecting Investments in Infrastructure



Collaboration with ESS Public Safety Geoscience Program



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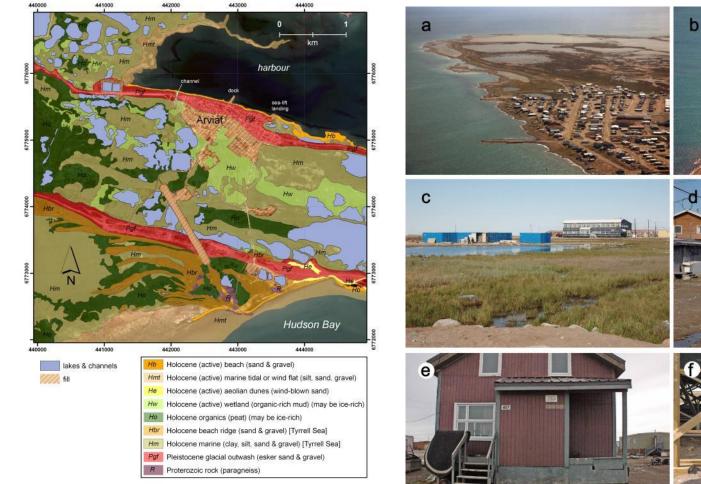


Coastal climate change issues with an emphasis on coastal mapping in southern Coronation Gulf and sea-level change in Hudson Bay.

Better characterize permafrost conditions and processes at the Iqaluit airport.

Collaboration with ESS Climate Change Geosciece Program and Canadian Universities

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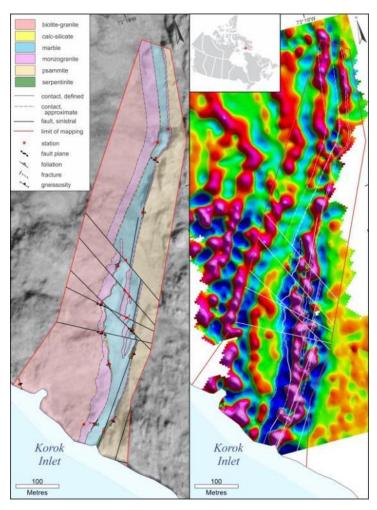


Nunavut Climate Change Partnership

Carving Stone



Kangiqsukutaaq (Korok Inlet)



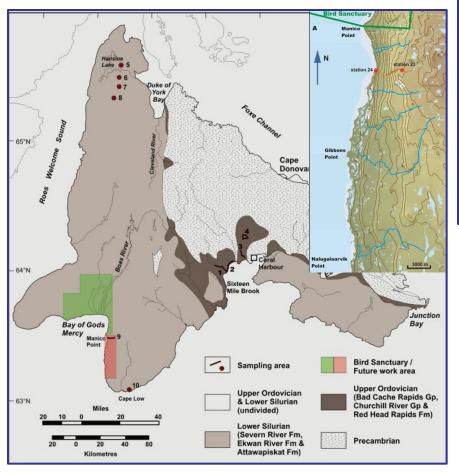




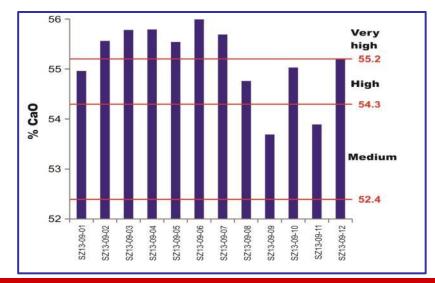
QIA, CNGO, GN and DeBeers Canada collaboration

Aggregate and Industrial Minerals







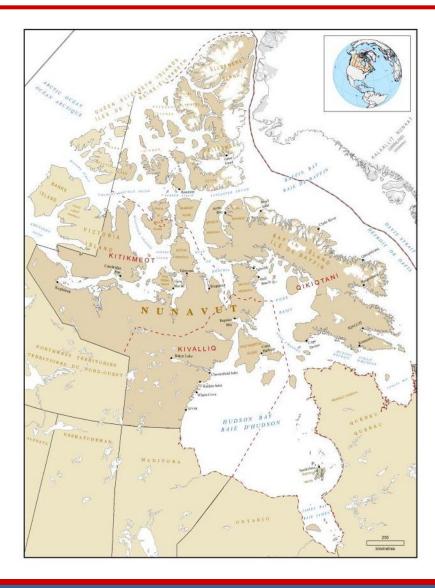


Capacity Building and Training

- Arctic College 4
 - Camp Cook Program: 2
 - Environmental Technology: 2
- PhD Students 3
- MSc Students 5
- Nunvaut Field School
- Local Businesses



Future Work



CNGO Program Geoscience for Responsible Resource Development

Geoscience for Protecting Communities and Infrastructure

Geoscience for Capacity Building and Training

Geoscience Data Dissemination

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Conclusion

The Canada-Nunavut Geoscience Office is co-managed with an ambitious geoscience program.

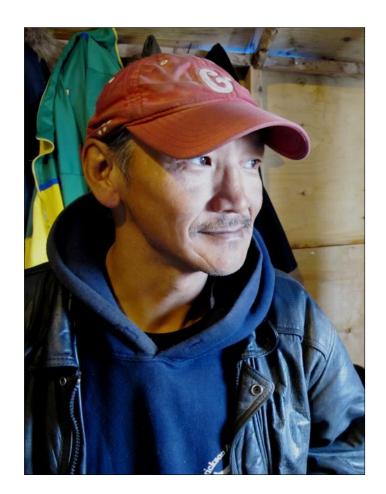
Interested in input from industry, communities, regulators and governments regarding a new Nunavut geoscience program.



Memoriam



Dr. Eric Prosh – (1957 – 2013)



Mannasie Qillaq – (1966 – 2013)