

News views and opinions on the mineral exploration scene in Ontario

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THE EXPLORATIONIST
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MAP STAKING

I would expect I have your attention with these two simple words. The OPA has continually fought against map staking over the last 5-6 years (and thus increasing the blood pressure of one Senior MNDM manager).

I was one of the front line who would scream that we don't even want it to show up on Ministers Mining Act Advisory Committee meeting agendas.

But times change and we must now face the fact that Map Staking may be a useful tool in the REMOTE AREAS of the Province.

Some compelling facts that make this attractive are:

1. There is little impact on the land and therefore no consultation with First Nation Communities would be needed before acquiring ground. Any potential conflict or inadvertent effect on the Constitutionally guaranteed traditional land use would be avoided. Since not all significant First Nation sites are identified on claim maps presently, we could be crossing areas that are sacred or spiritual to the communities.
2. The prospector, junior and major would be equal in land acquisition. Land could be staked for an area without the costly helicopter or float plane charters. The access monies could be used for placing prospectors or geologists on site and enhancing the geoscience database.
3. The use of GPS's has now become the norm and we can all identify where the claims should be.

Please think about the issue and direct your representatives of the Regional Groups so we can start the discussions. Below you will see some of the discussions happening in B.C.. The attached are printed with thanks to the B.C. and Yukon Chamber of Mines.



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MAP STAKING WAR SET TO WAGE?

Rumours are flying on the possibility of a Map Staking based mineral tenure system being introduced in BC. Our membership and Board of Directors offer viewpoints that cover the breadth of the topic, but most generally agree on one thing: "Haste makes Waste!" What do you think? Advantages - Disadvantages - Past experiences ? Send us an opinion to chamber@chamberofmines.bc.ca and we can compile some quotes for a future article.

Here is our letter to The BC Minister of Energy and Mines, Richard Neufeld:

Dear Minister

Re: Minerals Titles Systems in BC

It has come to our attention that your Ministry may be considering introducing what is commonly referred to as "map staking" as the only means of acquiring mineral tenure in this province.

In our view, introducing a drastic change to the way mineral tenure is acquired in BC will be counter-productive if not done in a careful, consultative manner. Otherwise it will offset the other positive government measures such as deregulation and tax incentives designed to "kick-start" needed exploration and mining activity in this province.

Earlier this year, Denis Lieutard, Chief Gold Commissioner, made several excellent presentations on this issue to various mining groups around the province, including members of the Mining Association of BC and the BC & Yukon Chamber of Mines. In each instance, lively debates evolved around the pros and cons of the various methods of title acquisition and there was a great divide in our respective membership's as to whether map staking was preferential to field staking or some of the other forms of tenure. In the end,

however, consensus favoured retaining the current field staking method, until all negative issues surrounding map staking and alternative forms of tenure acquisition could be properly addressed.

Before any changes are made, the current BC mineral claim staking system should be reviewed in conjunction with a study of experience gained in other jurisdictions which have tried alternate systems of mineral title acquisition. This should also be accompanied by proper consultation with various industry sectors before any changes are made. We trust that with this and other expected positive changes that BC exploration levels will return to those prevalent in the 1980s which averaged 77,000 claim unit acquisitions per year and exploration expenditures of over \$200 million per year in current dollars.

We appreciate your Ministry's efforts to utilize new technologies and practices and welcome opportunities to work with you and your Ministry to ensure BC attains the best mineral tenure acquisition system in Canada.

Yours sincerely,
BC & Yukon Chamber of Mines, Bruce McKnight, Executive Director
Mining Association of BC, Gary Livingstone, President

MAP STAKING RUMOUR REPLIES

Thanks to all who contributed their viewpoints after last month's issue. A few selections are provided below. Sorry if your comments were not included in this slice. If they aren't, they were echoed by one of the comments provided.

More input is always appreciated. Drop us a line at chamber@chamberofmines.bc.ca

The arguments in favour of retaining the current system of staking come down to: (1) we've always done it this way, and (2) it provides employment to stakers, work for helicopter companies, etc.. The original reason for the current system of staking (letting other free miners know that a chunk of ground is already claimed) no longer applies; not too many people wander through the bush, checking to see whether ground is open or not. That service is now provided by the claim maps available at regional centres throughout the province, with up-to-the-minute maps at the nearest fax machine (although possibly 20 days late, due to recording delays).

For the two arguments for retaining field staking:

(1) so what? and
(2) mining companies and individuals have fixed budgets. Money laid out currently on helicopters and stakers will be redirected towards exploration of those claims. Money spent on staking is like money thrown away, it might do some good for the person who finds it, but it doesn't lead to the creation of wealth. Money spent on exploration does lead to the creation of wealth - the ultimate product of exploration is a mine producing metal, jobs and tax revenue.

More arguments for map staking:

(1) Claim maps can be 20 days out of date under the current system, since new claims don't need to be recorded immediately. With map staking, the claims would be in the system and public immediately (and money wouldn't be wasted trying to acquire claims that have already been acquired).

(2) For an industry that wishes to be environmentally considerate, it is bizarre that government requires that trees be blazed and cut down to mark property boundaries, when this provides absolutely no benefit in the subsequent exploration of the claims.

(3) We (the long-suffering taxpayers) can save money on tenure disputes. With map staking, the tenure location can be defined precisely (and with GPS, the ground covered by that tenure will be clear in the field). As the map-staking is phased in, there will be less need for claims inspectors (since their work will be limited to claims staked under the current system). Tenure litigation, inherent in the current system (based on best-efforts to locate perimeter lines, and my definition of best effort isn't the same as yours), will disappear: tenure is definitively acquired by filing a form and a cheque and definitively lapses by failure to record assessment work by a fixed date.

If it ain't broke, don't fix it.

The money that is wasted on sending someone to stake a

claim would be better off spent on a mandatory survey of the property. Stream sediment, soil, rock, etc. sampling and analysing would be a better way of exploring the possible resources of BC. Too many claims are undeveloped with little to no surveying taking place, claims that are just being sat on.

Everyone tries to do a sufficient job staking their claim but in the long run it's just a waste of time and means nothing. The Gov't maps look great but do not represent anything similar to the lines on the ground. The time and money spent on claim staking could be put to better use by doing field work which in the long run would mean something. Why waste time struggling to complete your claims and maybe hurting yourself to complete some thing that is not necessary.

Everytime there is a staking claim rush it's takes months or years to sort out the mess. If the present systems works satisfactorily why the mess everytime? Surely there is a better system. Mining companies go where the process is fast and easy, not complicated like the BC system.

I agree the 2 post system should remain and would recommend a 1 post system for all other staking. This system would make the claim staker to atleast go on the ground mark and GPS the initial post. This

system was used 15-20 years ago and I hear everything is still in place to proceed with it. With the present date GPS's there would be a more accurate location of the initial post and a person could tie into the corner posts which could be located with the GPS system.

The present systems should be improved and why waste time reviewing it. Mining is slowly dying and your Chamber should be helping to streamline the staking procedure as soon as possible; not studying it to death.

What difference does it make how a claim is located? The important thing is how assessment credits are earned, and this is an area that really needs improvement. There are a great number of claim units tied up with little or no work being done on them, so there is no progress. In some cases, earlier assessment reports are regurgitated, and accepted as new work.

Map staking should be allowed, for ONE YEAR ONLY, at a nominal cost of \$5.00 per unit. Work must be performed on the claims within that first year, and then the claims would have to be physically located and recorded at a cost of \$10.00 per unit, as under the old tenure system. Otherwise, they would be forfeited. Staking a claim, doing no work, and restaking it again and again should not be allowed.

Map staking works well in other jurisdictions, however, it is difficult to provide an opinion on acquiring tenure by map staking without also knowing proposed changes, if any, to recording fees and assessment requirements, rentals etc.

PDAC BOARD MEETING

13 November 2001

- Item 9. Report on Meeting with Monte Hummel, World Wildlife Fund

Commentary:

It is commendable that a dialogue has begun with a key figure in the International and Domestic Environmental movement.

Before indulging in euphoric expectations, however, it may be wise to reflect on some past experiences.

I too have had brief discussions with Monte Hummel. This was during Lands for Life. I too found him to be a very approachable, congenial and warm human being. He had expressed a desire in those days of meeting with Senior Mining Industry representatives. I believe this information was conveyed to the PDAC.

Nevertheless, Monte and his group had a mission and an objective and they demonstrated a capability for achieving that objective. Without belabouring a detailed recounting, the crowning result of the Lands for Life and Ontario Living Legacy process is that Monte got his Parks, 378 of them, AND we got "Parked". I believe this conveys volumes. The process is and will be ongoing north of $\pm 51^\circ$.

A brief post mortem is provided. The

environmental lobby were constantly in attendance during Lands for Life sessions. They were armed with maps and *their* brand of science. They had numerous front door and back door meetings with the powers that be. It is possible that the back door meetings outnumbered the front door variety. There were times when their presence was indistinguishable from MNR staff. They were always courteously and warmly addressed by MNR functionaries and the L4L leadership (*This was not always the case with 'the mining guys'*). Though they were not officially members of the Round Table, they were often asked to comment as equals.

Though dialogue and cooperation are desirable attributes in any negotiating situation, it is especially important to know your adversary - his strengths, his contact influence and his vulnerability.

Some additional reality checks \emptyset

The MNR and the MNDM gave a joint presentation on progress of Ontario's Living Legacy at the OMA symposium in Sudbury last spring. The MNR presenter, in classic fashion, showed the typical landscape colour slides which portrayed Crystal clear lakes and Lush green forests. (*No wildlife and no headframes, of course*). The MNR presenter's message was that though there was a cooperative liaison with the MNDM, the objective of creating 378 Parks was on track and irreversible. The objective to proceed quickly and without delay came from the highest levels of government we were told.

The MNDM presenter stated that mineral resource potential was being considered for OLL sites but that any modification contemplated or made would have to include a buy-in by the environmental community. (*Note that 'modifications' did not require a buy-in by the mineral industry! This suggest*

that a ranking or status category is in place.)

Currently a Provincially Significant Mineral Potential process is being initiated by the MNDM. This too will presumably contain a “buy-in” proviso for the environmental lobby. The mining industry has been indirectly asked to participate in the process. This indicated offer to participate is qualified by the affirmation that participate or not participate, the process will continue and the results produced will be binding on the mining industry. The environmental lobby have no such directives directed at them.

Note that the environmental lobby have their eyes fixed on their objective and they are skilled at achieving that objective. The mining industry should also have an objective which is firm, science based and defensible.

Mining industry objective may be presented as follows: Responsible access to the whole landscape

1/ Compatible development (modern mining) of mineral resources anywhere on the landscape that demonstrably respects the natural environment and the eco systems within it. - The Niagara Falls model for example. (there are others)

2/Absolutely no exploration or mining restrictions along known productive structural belts such as the Kirkland-Cadillac or Destor-Porcupine deformation zones - in or out of ‘Parks’²

3/Utilize the November 19, 2001 Monte Hummel achievement model

It may very well be that taking the offensive rather than always being defensive will produce some respect, appreciation and favourable results.

Frank P. Tagliamonte
18 November 2001

THE BOWATER GAP ANALYSIS

On Tuesday November 13th, I met with Charlie Lauer, Regional Director, NW, MNR to discuss the Bowater Gap Analysis. These are my notes:

1. The process is outside of the Room-To-Grow initiative. This is and has been of great discussion with MNR, Charlie said at one point MNR wanted to include it in RTR and then not. At present he believes there may be a view as this as a case study.
2. Bowater initiated the process to attain certainty of wood supply in their management unit. The plan is to use the wood they have more efficiently and completely. This will allow source of wood for two sawmills they are building. This would not be the development of new wood areas. This all started as a business decision.
3. To attain certainty BOWATER approached PPL to discuss giving up areas through the Gap Analysis method. This would finalize the protected areas in the various Site Locations within Bowater limits.
4. The PPL and Bowater approached MNR with the idea. MNR laid out there Gap Analysis and found PPL’s didn’t match. At this point Bowater stepped back and let the MNR and PPL work out the required areas.
5. What Charlie says is they had the claim fabric (but obviously didn’t take it into account) and defined 14 sites in the various site regions. He expressed to me that the PPL believed if these areas were accepted they would not ask for any more lands. The PPL said to Charlie that this would be it!?!.
6. A quick check of the areas by Abraham Drost reveals 3 directly on claims and another 3 on strike to

claims or patents. I expressed to Charlie that PSMP needed to be completed on the sites and funding for this is required.

7. Charlie said they have presented this back to Bowater who at this time haven't formally accepted the areas. He believed this was the proper time for him to come to us. I expressed the need for us to be monitoring the process from the start. If we had been there we would have been strongly opposing the impact on claims. This would have prevented erroneous maps being floated on the landscape.
8. At this time it seems the process is not moving forward quickly. We need to get involved with the process if it moves forward. PSMP needs to be completed on the selected sites.
9. It is interesting that the PPL talks like accepting these sites would complete the Gaps. Charlie believed we could substitute some areas to help complete the Gaps but these are the best they could come up with. The potential of this being the end seems to be questionable! The PPL has also been approaching our industry with the ideas of trying to be less confrontational and trying to prevent placing parks on claims. But then the Marten River problems hit the press!

I think we need to look at the Bowater Gap process as a backroom or side deal outside of Room to Grow. I'm not sure if it is better to deal on each area individually or all at once. WE NEED TO BE INCLUDED it is obvious the MNR and PPL don't comprehend the impact on claims. Placing maps out into space for review scares off potential investors on impacted claims and damages the Province as a place for Mineral exploration. It is preventable if we are involved.

EDITORS NOTE: Subsequent to the meeting with Charlie Lauer the PPL has called us for our input. We are now at a point where we must decide to use PSMP and hopefully end the confrontational Us vs Them of the past.



ENVIRONMENTAL EXCELLENCE IN EXPLORATION (E3) is an initiative launched in August 2001 by the PDAC and designed to assure the highest levels of environmental stewardship in mineral exploration throughout the world.

The following is a summary about this important project. A more detailed description is available in the [business plan](#). Further details are also available on the [E3 FAQs](#) page.

Plan

The PDAC, with the support and cooperation of the world's exploration and mining community, will assemble, organize, and make accessible the most current information on effective and proven environmental management practices in mineral exploration worldwide.

Goals

- To provide the international exploration community, its contractors and sub-contractors with the most up-to-date information on sound and responsible environmental management practices throughout the world
- To inform stakeholders about appropriate and effective mineral exploration practices and their application throughout the world

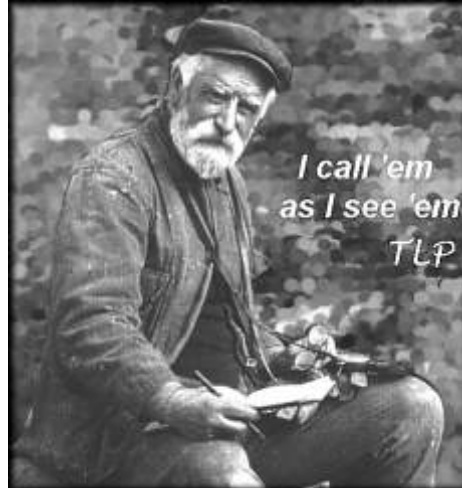
- To demonstrate the mining industry's commitment to environmentally responsible exploration and development

Making the information available

The principal component of E3 will be the e-manual, an information database and management system which will allow users rapid access to environmental information from any location in the world: through the internet, CD-ROM, or print; in various formats (text, illustrations, photographs, video clips). [Click here for a graphical representation of the e-manual.](#)

Application

- to identify key environmental aspects of a planned exploration program
- to locate primary sources of environmental information, such as legislation guidance and documents
- to select methods to minimize or mitigate environmental impacts
- to develop an environmental management action plan for any project
- to monitor and assess the performance of environmental protection measures in place
- to act as an internal management tool to ensure good practice
- to improve governmental, public and stakeholder understanding about effective mitigation of the environmental impacts of exploration



LONE PROSPECTOR – I’VE BEEN PARKED, BLOBBED & BETRAYED

The six sites proposed by the Ministry of Natural Resources for boundary review in the Porcupine District are an extreme source of concern for many of the grassroots explorationists in and around the Porcupine Mining Camp. Designation of these six sites as either Provincial Parks, additions to Provincial Parks (three areas) or Conservation Reserves (three areas) will negatively impact several prospectors and juniors companies not to mention the economy of the Porcupine and area.

I note that the Ministry of Natural Resources has issued a “Fact Sheet” for each of the six proposed Provincial Parks/Additions and Conservation Areas. The assumption would be that the “Fact Sheets” have some practical value. I assume you designed them to avail to those persons interested, a complete synopsis of the pertinent and truthful facts. Instead I find that you have blatantly disregarded significant information, omitted important and valuable land titles, dismissed the economic significance of current activities to northern communities, and proposed actions in direct contradiction to the good intentions and efforts of both the current Federal and Provin-

cial governments to assist northern communities.

I find it astounding that although the MNR details the type and age of the trees, etc., yet the "Fact Sheet" does not acknowledge the bedrock that underlies the proposed OLL sites. The services of the Resident Geologist in South Porcupine are just 50 metres away from the MNR offices. It is evident the MNR chose to omit that data from their GAP analysis. I find it ironic that one such OLL site is labeled "Sulfide Creek" and that the entire township is staked as tight as a drum.

One OLL site, the Tatachikapika River Plain Conservation Reserve in Denton, Thorneloe Twps covers a portion of the Porcupine-Destor Fault Zone ("PDFZ"). The PDFZ is recognized worldwide as a major, prominent, geological feature extending from west of Timmins, Ontario well into Québec and is spatially associated with a number of significant gold deposits in the Abitibi. These include such premier, world-class orebodies as the Hollinger, McIntyre, Dome, Holloway and Holt-McDermott to name just a few. The PDFZ and its sub-parallel structures are associated with better than 95 percent of the 70+ million ounces of gold produced in Porcupine Mining District alone. How could the MNR have disregarded such geological significant facts, which have yielded more than \$26 billion dollar to the Ontario economy over the last 90 years? Why is the MNR not aware that the proposed Tatachikapika River Plain Conservation Reserve was part of a recent Timmins area gold rush during 1996-98? Band-Ore Resources Ltd., an Ontario based junior mining company, discovered two new gold zones on lands to the west of the proposed Tatachikapika Conservation Reserve. This triggered a flurry of staking activity, survey work and drilling by Band-Ore and numerous other mining companies. This work extended onto land covered by the Tatachikapika Conservation Reserve including lands

currently not covered by mining claims. The direct local impact of the discovery was an injection of a minimum 6 million dollars of exploration expenditures into the local economy. The spin off factor could be estimated at another 20-30 million dollars.

The proposed Dana Jowsey Provincial Park Addition (Keefer, Sewell and adjacent Twps) lies north of the projected PDFZ but may include favorable sub-parallel structures found along strike. It should be remembered here that gold mineralization is not confined to the PDFZ directly nor to the associated volcanic lithologies.

Contrary to whatever revisionist history the MNR may wish to enunciate, Timmins, Kirkland Lake, Larder Lake, Cobalt, and the numerous communities throughout all of Northern Ontario owe their very existence to mining. Mining and especially mineral exploration continue to play an important economic role throughout the region, although at a reduced pace during these times of low metal values. This sector of society also offers high wages averaging \$55,000-60,000 per annum. Extremely important to our northern communities is that for every job within the mining/mineral exploration industry there is spin off employment which averages of 4.5 persons. These other people are employed in various other sectors of our society from the service and hospitality industries, to the health, professional, and retail sectors. Furthermore mining and mineral exploration activities leave an extremely small footprint unlike the forestry industry.

Why does the MNR select areas for their Parks and Conservation Reserves that either display or occur near high mineral potential areas and would by their designation inhibit the future well being of local communities?

Too top it all off two of the six areas selected for proposed Parks/Conservation Reserves

fall within the scope of the Timmins West Project. The Precambrian Geoscience Section of the Ontario Geological Survey (“OGS”) is conducting this project. The Timmins West Project is an important initiative of the OGS. It includes important detailed geological mapping at the 20,000 scale. This is the type of work the prospector and junior companies need to spark future staking rushes. Why has the MNR selected OLL sites in the very heart of this survey that has yet to be mapped? Such actions are in direct opposition to the good intentions and positive actions of this government and in particular the MNDM. MNR’s designation of these areas sends a negative message to both the exploration community and investors in Ontario junior mining companies.

As a lone prospector, an explorationist and an average joe trying to close a few options before the Christmas holidays I would kindly requests the MNR to look elsewhere to preserve their precious values. If they’d like I could stake and option to the MNR a of couple swamps down in the Kenogamissi Batholith for a penny and no other interest if it will get the OLL sites out of my back yard.

Ontario Helps Fund Professional Geoscientists Association

The Ontario government will provide \$25,000 to assist the Association of Professional Geoscientists of Ontario (APGO) as it begins registering new members, Northern Development and Mines Minister Dan Newman announced November 21, 2001.

"I am delighted that the province is making this contribution to our efforts. Our association will inspire public confidence and promote skill and integrity among our members," said Bill Pearson, President of the association.

The complete press release can be viewed at http://www.mndm.gov.on.ca/MNDM/pub/newrel/nr01/128_01e.asp

Release of Application Packages for Registration with APGO

Application forms have been approved by APGO and are being printed. Application packages will be mailed to all AGO members in early December. The sooner you fill out and return the application forms, the sooner APGO will be able to process it.

You can help speed up the application process by going now to the AGO website at www.geosci.on.ca and downloading the transcript request form and send it to the institution(s) where you obtained your degree(s).

Expected Launch of New Website and Newsletter

The new APGO website at www.apgo.net will be launched to coincide with the Ontario Exploration and Geoscience Symposium (OEGS) on December 11-12, 2001 at the Macdonald Block, 900 Bay St., Toronto. The site will include information on the registration process and you will be able to download application forms and the Act, Regulations and By-laws.

APGO will have a booth at the OEGS where application packages will be available. Bill Pearson, will give a presentation at 9:40am Wednesday December 12 in the Kenora Room - Licensure of Professional Geoscientists in Ontario - The Beginning of a New Stage.

The first issue of the APGO newsletter will be available at the booth and will be mailed to all AGO members.

Information on the symposium is available on the Ontario Prospectors Association web-

site at <http://www.ontarioprospectors.com/events/oegs.htm>

Proposed Complaints and Discipline Regulation

APGO has prepared a proposed complaints and discipline regulation and is expecting to receive approval from the Ministry to release this for a public consultation in December 2001. This regulation, which is the last required to implement the Act, will likely be finalized by the spring of 2002.

ONTARIO EXPLORATION AND GEOSCIENCE SYMPOSIUM "ONTARIO: THE SOURCE OF THE WORLD'S COMMODITIES"

December 10th, 11th & 12th, 2001
Macdonald Block, 900 Bay Street, Toronto, Ontario, Canada

Information Notice #4, November 26th 2001

Attachments – Preliminary Speaker Schedule

Updated Exploration Geochemistry Workshop Information
Expanded Registration Form

- **A Great Line-up** – Over 50 talks presented by the **OPA and KEGS**, updating you on the exploration scene and recent geoscience research in the province. See the attached Preliminary Schedule for details.
- **Great Exhibitors** – Over 50 posters and 18 booths (Sold Out!) and more importantly, 70 presenters. See important geoscience and industry information you need for your exploration business in the field and in the office.
- **Register Early** - Although the deadline for our early bird registration draw has passed, if you plan to attend the Ontario Exploration and Geoscience Symposium, please fax or mail in your registration before December 4th. We will try to process all of these and have a pre-registered delegate package ready for you when you arrive. Avoid a long line-up on Tuesday morning and help us get things started quickly.
- **Workshop Spaces are limited** - Seats in Workshop #1 - *Exploration Geochemistry* (prepared for the OPA by Actlabs) and Workshop # 2 - *Rare Mineral Rock and Mineral Identification for Prospectors* (prepared for the OPA by the Ontario Geological Survey) are filling up fast. If you have already registered and want to take one of these courses please contact Susan Warren at the OPA.

Many people responded to our request for interest in a workshop/panel discussion on *First Nation Consultations*. The OPA is pleased to announce that **Workshop #3** will be held on December 10th starting at 9:30 a.m. in the Nipissing Room, Macdonald Block. To date confirmed speakers will include Jonathon Fowler of DeBeers Canada, Colin Seely of Placer Dome, John Gammon ADM Ministry of Northern Development and Mines and Andy Fyon of the Ontario

Geological Survey – Operation Treasure Hunt. Representatives of several Ontario junior exploration companies who have recently undertaken consultations have indicated their interest in participating in the meeting as well.

A series of questions are being formulated to focus discussion onto exploration industry needs and knowledge requirements relating to First Nation consultations that the OPA can use as a base for their work on their members behalf. There will be no admission cost for participants at this meeting **but a reservation for your attendance is mandatory**. Please contact Garry Clark or Susan Warren to reserve your place. The meeting is open ended and can extend during the day for as long as is deemed constructive by the participants

Sponsorship Opportunities Still Available – The OPA wishes to recognize the companies which have sponsored this year’s event. Several options remain to provide your company with more visibility at the Symposium. See our website for Sponsorship benefits.

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WARNING

THE THEFT OF LAPTOPS AND BRIEF CASES HAS BEEN OCCURRING IN TORONTO.

THE COMMON METHOD IS TO HAVE TO PEOPLE TEAMS WHERE ONE DISTRACTS OR ATTRACTS THE VICTIM AND THE OTHER WALKS AWAY WITH THE GOODS.

PLEASE HAVE A GREAT TIME AT THE ONTARIO GEOSCIENCE AND EXPLORATION SYMPOSIUM BUT PLEASE BE DILIGENT.

SEE YOU THERE

GARRY CLARK (victim)
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ONTARIO PROSPECTORS ASSOCIATION