

5.2.16 Clutha (SPL 406)/R.P.J. Weedon (SPL 11)

The only other area of exploration within the present boundaries of E.L. 15/76 was the central northern zone around the Razorback mine. Clutha pegged this area as SPL 406 in June 1966 (Figure 84). Although it is believed that Clutha completed a drilling programme in the 12 month period of the Licence, this has not been recorded.

The area of SPL 406 then passed to R.P.J. Weedon as SPL 11 for a period of 18 months. Most of the exploration was completed by Placer Exploration through a joint venture agreement.

Placer's main interests were the Razorback and Grand Prize mines. These mines were mapped and then drilled with generally disappointing results. Most of this work was confined to the area still held as an independent (although Joint Ventured to CRA) Mining Lease and is thus excluded from E.L. 15/76.

5.2.17 Renison Ltd. (SPL 27)

On relinquishment, the area of SPL 11 was repegged by Renison Ltd. as SPL 127.

Renison gridded the area and traversed the grid with geological mapping, magnetics, I.P., S.P. and soil geochemistry for Sn, Cu, Pb, Ni and As (Ferguson, 1970 and Webb, 1971). The following anomalies were identified :-

- (a) A series of magnetic anomalies along the serpentinite contacts (Figure 85) were found to be caused by a concentration of magnetite adjacent to shears (Webb, 1971).
- (b) A tin anomaly adjacent to the Razorback mine (Figure 86) was expected after a review of Placer's SPL 11 exploration.