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7.8. Stitt7.8.1. Introduction

The Stitt area is that block defined by the Murchison Highway to the north, Mt. Murchison to the east, Mt. Read to the south and the Mining Leases to the west. The area covers most of the drainage basin of the Stitt River.

7.8.2. Access

Prior to the Joint Venture vehicular access was limited to the Murchison Highway and the Telecom access road to Mt. Read. During 1978 a track suitable for 4 wheel drive vehicles was bulldozed from the powerline access track at 5,372,210mN 382,520mE southwards to 5,370,330mN 381,760mE. This track has become known as the "Stitt access track".

The Rosebery to Queenstown H.E.C. transmission line traverses the area from NW to SE and provides a good walking track through the area. Vehicle access to the transmission line east of Mt. Read is possible on tracks constructed by Mt. Lyell to the Red Hills area.

7.8.3. Geology, Geochemistry & Geophysics (Refer to Geology Sheets 7 & 9 Ref. Nos. AO-525-0006 & AO-525-0013)

Pre-existing information in the Stitt area is limited and no reports of mineralisation are known.

Previous geological mapping has been limited to reconnaissance mapping of the available access by E.Z., R.T.A.E. and Anderson (University of Tas. BSc Thesis, 1972).

Part of the Stitt drainage was stream sampled by E.Z. in 1970/71 (?) but the results should be treated with caution as some sampling during the same programme has been established as unreliable (see Williams, E.Z. Dept. Report No. 117, July, 1974).

Other than aeromagnetics, geophysics has been limited to Turair E.M. coverage of the extreme western margin of the area and a