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**LANDMAN:** Petroleum Surface & Minerals Landman/prospector-geologist.

**BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT** for **ARRIBA**, a company that assembles strategic mineral packages for explorers. **2009-2012**

**MANAGER** for **Whitestone Royalty & Exploration**, a company pursuing the resolution of a geological puzzle on the Peace River Arch: Massive iron ore deposits in the Clear Hills have no apparent source except for a possible pathfinder, the regional volcanic ashes. **2011-2012**

**OPERATIONS MANAGER** for **Curlew Lake Resources**: managed land acquisition, farmouts, joint venture agreements, operations and drilling. **2008-2011**

**PROPERTY ANALYST** for **Copperstone Resources**, an acquisition/divestiture company that facilitates placement of mineral properties with China-based manufacturers. **2008-2011**

**TEAM LEADER** for **Ironstone Resources**, a company engaged in exploration and development of the Clear Hills iron ore deposits; lead initial development of one of the World's largest iron and vanadium deposits.

**LAND MANAGER** for **Peace River Oil**, a heavy oil refining project at Peace River. **2007**

**PROJECTS** **2000-2012**

- Surface, Minerals, Construction, Business development.

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

**Petroleum Land & Geology:** Contracts Manager with more than 25 years experience in oil and gas exploration, mining geology, business development, start-ups and managing projects.

- Carried out fieldwork and assembled evidence that supports West Peace River Arch volcanics and a Diamond Indicator Minerals Trend that relates the iron ores and heavy minerals previously discovered at Peace River between Worsley and Manning and showed that these are associated with deep basement faults and episodic Cretaceous volcanic events.
- Wrote a business plan, marketing plan and financing plan for Curlew Lake Resources Inc.
- Managed a team and acquired Crown and freehold minerals for CWQ.V; managed drilling and completion operations of wells at Fairydell, Alberta and negotiated prospect farmouts.
- Built a 100MM\$ resource company in 1 year by acquiring the Clear Hills iron ore deposit titles, carrying out financing and marketing of Ironstone Resources, and managing a team that drilled the property to NI 43-101 resource criteria.
- Directed surface acquisitions for 12 years as contract landman with *Paramount* from start-up as Allied Roxanna in 1974 to Paramount Resources in 1986 – wellsites, compressors, airstrips, right-of-ways design and field supervision including; Chard, Liege, Granor, Seleski and Legend Lake to deliver the first 40 MMCF/D across the Athabasca River to market.
- Acquired freehold mineral leases throughout Alberta, southern Saskatchewan and Ontario, for a number of companies including Voyager Petroleums and Anschutz Exploration.
- Negotiated farm in and farm out agreements, drilling contracts and supervised land administration in Alberta and Saskatchewan for Reflection Resources Ltd. (ASE-listed). Explored the Mississippian Tilston, Lodgepole and Spearfish trends from Parkman Oil Field, southeast Saskatchewan into Manitoba. Drilled a 300 b/d well at Frys Oil Field.

- prospected, discovered and mapped, volcanic ashes and tuffs associated with reactivation of Hines Creek Fault in Twp 84-86, Rge 5-12 W6M and filed 17 assessment reports with B.C. and Alberta geological surveys describing minerals trends and diamond indicators.
- Website design and marketing for several businesses and projects including China-based ventures.
- Member of CAPL for 25 years, P.Land Certification (expired), AAPL member for several years, Surface Landman's license for 30 years (expired), Commissioner for Oats, AB (expired).
- Computer capable, including Office, GeoScout and Accumap.

**Arriba Land & Minerals Corp., mineral & right-of-way acquisition  
Calgary, Alberta, Canada**

**2001-2011**

Mineral assembly, Play development and Finance

- prospected Peace River Arch and Clear Hills mineral properties,
- explored Hotchkiss Hills gold and diamonds,
- pursued Glauconite channels from the Sunburst-Cutbank field to Taber,
- researched meteorite impact craters as potential hydrocarbon trapping structures,
- evaluated mining prospects.

**PROJECTS**

**Petroleum Land Services Company  
Calgary, Alberta, Canada**

Marketing - Petroleum Surface Land Services

- Corporate Profile and Marketing Plans,
- Established a Fort St. John office and carried out our business development plan.

**Offshore Exploration Play Development**

Evaluation of plays, Marketing and Finance

- Review and evaluation of Petroleum Sharing Agreements,
- Economic evaluation of joint venture proposals.

**Acquisition and Divestiture Company  
Calgary, Alberta, Canada**

Identifying and Evaluating Properties for Purchase

- Identify and evaluate gas production properties and oil production properties.
- Assist in Purchase and Sale agreements and closings.

**HISTORY**

**Land and Petroleum Services Company  
Calgary, Alberta and NE British Columbia, Canada**

**1999-2001**

Landman - Sales and Marketing, Business Development

- Special Project: Coalbed Methane Potential in Alberta: engineering, geology, economics.
- Surface Lease and pipeline right-of-way acquisitions,
- Freehold rights, Crown rights and trapper notifications and claims,
- Reclamation and pre-construction assessments,
- Alberta Directives and landowner notifications and consultations.

**TUL Petroleum Ltd.** **1991-1999**  
Project Manager

- Operator of the Peace Diamond Project, Peace River, Alberta.
- Diamond exploration:
  - supervised over 3MM\$ in diamond exploration,
  - field mapping, core drill logging,
  - ground and aero magnetometer surveys,
  - lab work, picking and identifying kimberlite and diamond indicator minerals,
  - analysed and synthesised data,
  - prepared reports and presentations.

**Mount Royal College** **1989-1991**  
**Calgary, Alberta, Canada**  
Instructor and Course Designer

- Wrote "*The Landman in Action*," a textbook for a Field Services course,
- Taught Field Services 1120 for 3 semesters.

**Geological Survey Company** **1988-1989**  
**Port Alberni, BC and Indin Lakes, NWT, Canada**  
Geological Field Supervisor

- Geological field supervision and sampling program co-ordination,
- Claim boundary confirmation, chip sampling and mapping programs.

**Reflection Resources Ltd.** **1983-1988**  
**Calgary, Alberta, Canada**  
V.P. Exploration and CFO

- Founder and board member of a public junior oil and gas company - 5 years,
- V.P. Exploration and CFO.

## **PUBLICATIONS AND DISCOVERIES**

- packaged and presented iron project to multi-billion \$ companies at Beijing & Shanghai,
- presented to MEG (Calgary Mineral Exploration Group) Conference 2008, "Will Peace River Reveal Her Wealth to Us? Clear Hills Iron Ore Deposit,"
- took 3 companies public on the Alberta Stock Exchange,
- discovered and mapped Montagneuse River ashes, Peace River District,
- authored "Belize and Yeeha! Central America," "Hola! Panama" and "Hummm—Thailand!" and the historical account, "The Bounty of Gods: and the wreck of the Lone Star Ranch."

## **EDUCATION**

- **University of Lethbridge** **1990**  
Education Faculty,  
Professional Semester I – teaching, Science specialty.
- **Simon Fraser University** **1972**  
Burnaby, British Columbia,  
BA, Geography – Geomorphology; Earth Science.
- **Aboriginal Sensitivity Training:** carried out Native consultation process. **2006-2008**