



REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Geoscience to Stimulate Exploration Activity in British Columbia: Focus on the Mineral and Oil and Gas Potential of Central B.C.

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The Program

Geoscience BC is an innovative and applied geoscience centre dedicated to the collection, interpretation, and marketing of geoscience expertise, information, and products to attract exploration investment to British Columbia. In support of this mandate, Geoscience BC is pleased to issue a request for applied proposals from industry, government, academia, communities, or not-for profit organizations to undertake geoscience research related to mineral and oil and gas exploration in British Columbia.

Priorities for the Spring 2006 Request for Proposals (RFP)

While this call is open to proposals for geoscience work in all areas of British Columbia, in response to the Mountain Pine Beetle (MPB) infestation affecting central British Columbia, Geoscience BC is placing a priority this year on the following geoscience activities:

- assessment of the oil and gas potential of the Nechako Basin in the Interior Plateau region of south-central BC
- enhanced geological understanding of mineral potential of central BC
- geochemical and geophysical exploration technology development to overcome the challenge of volcanic and glacial cover in central BC

The area of most intense MPB infestation presently includes NTS map sheet numbers: 92 I, O, P; 93 A, west half; 93 B, C, F, G, J, K, L; and 93 N, O south half. Geoscience BC is placing a priority on geoscience projects to be undertaken within these map areas (see attached map).

In addition, preference will be given to projects that demonstrate matching funding, support student research projects, or that involve First Nations or local community expertise (e.g. prospectors, local contractors, etc.).

Proposals that will be considered should be of an applied and innovative nature and relate to the geology, mineral deposits, metallogeny, or oil and gas potential of British Columbia; or address an exploration method or technique that will enhance exploration success in British Columbia. Preference will be given to proposals that clearly demonstrate the potential application to exploration in BC and are most likely to attract industry dollars, and more importantly, future exploration investment in BC.

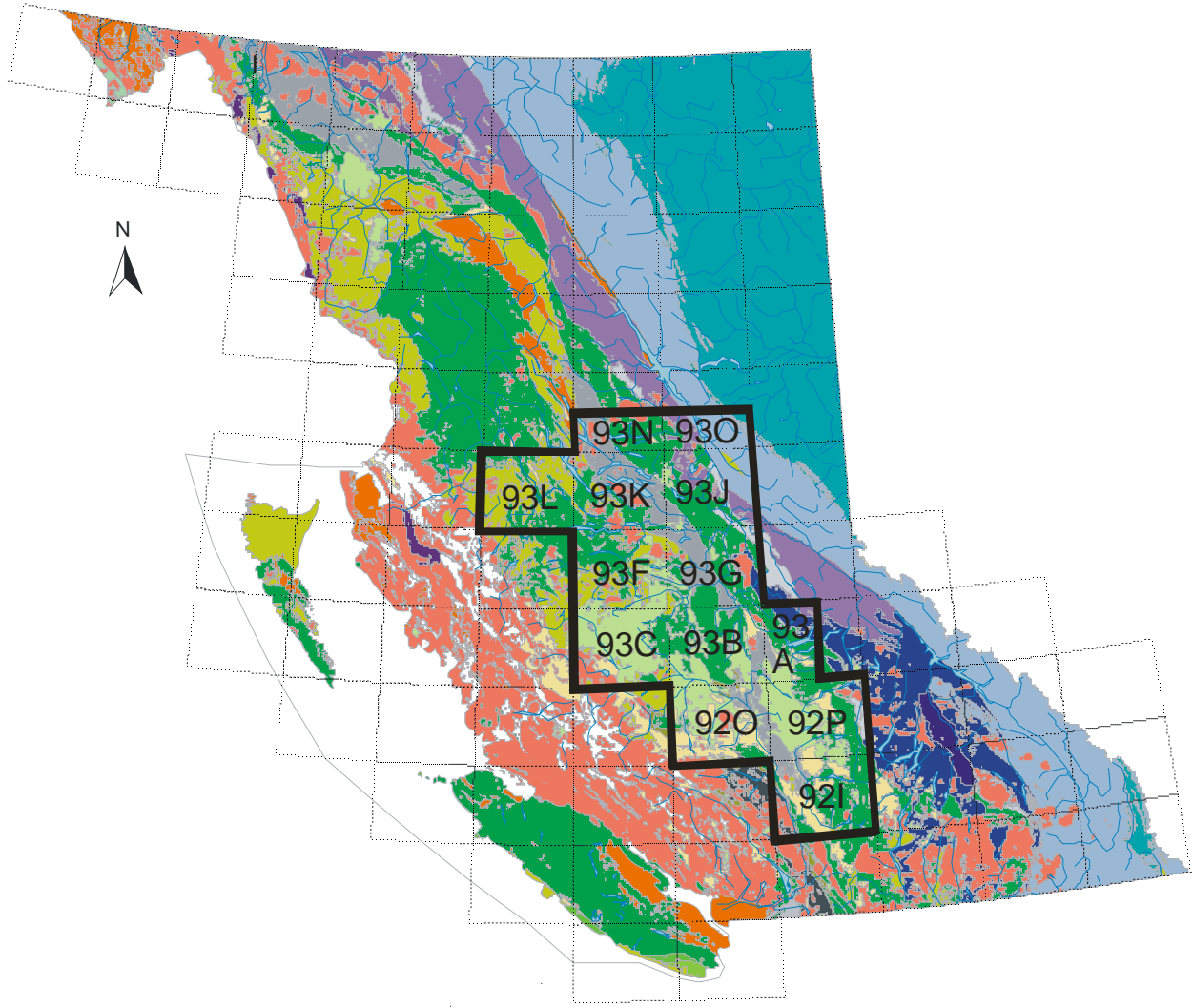
Eligibility

Proposals will be accepted from individuals or teams working at a university or college, with industry, as private consultants, with government, or with not-for-profit agencies.

Submission

Persons wishing to make a submission under this request for proposals should submit a five to ten page proposal prepared using the "Submission Guidelines" and the "Proposal Budget Template" available for download from the geoscience BC website (www.geosciencebc.com).

Please submit your proposal via email in MS Word or PDF format to Geoscience BC at proposals@geosciencebc.com by **noon on April 05, 2006**.



BC Terrane map showing the Priority NTS Map Sheets for Geoscience BC's March 2006 Request for Proposals