



EXAMINATION OF OUTCROPS

'Outcrops' refer to rock formations at or near the surface of the ground. The examination of these outcrops refers to the analyses of the samples collected during prospecting and preliminary surface sampling.

The analyses are conducted in an outside lab away from the actual sample sites out on the land.

The examination of outcrops normally occurs during the EX-3, EX-4, and EX-5 stages of exploration (see the [diagram](#)).



Because the actual analyses of the collected samples occurs in a lab, there are no discernible environmental impacts associated with the examination of outcrops.

Only claim holders may collect samples from the land outlined in their claims. A permit of the MERN is required if sampling exceeds 50 metric tonnes.