



# High-level Assessment of Copper Dream project in NE Sudan

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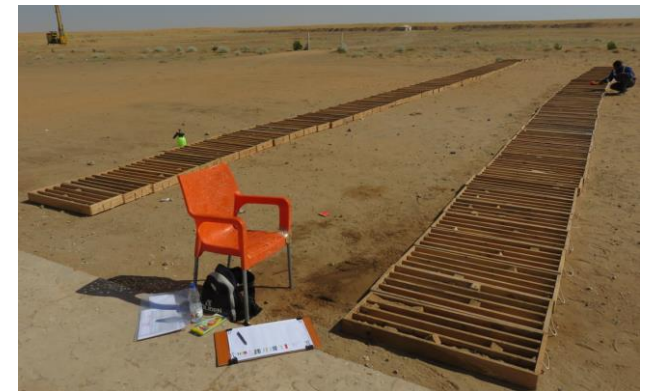


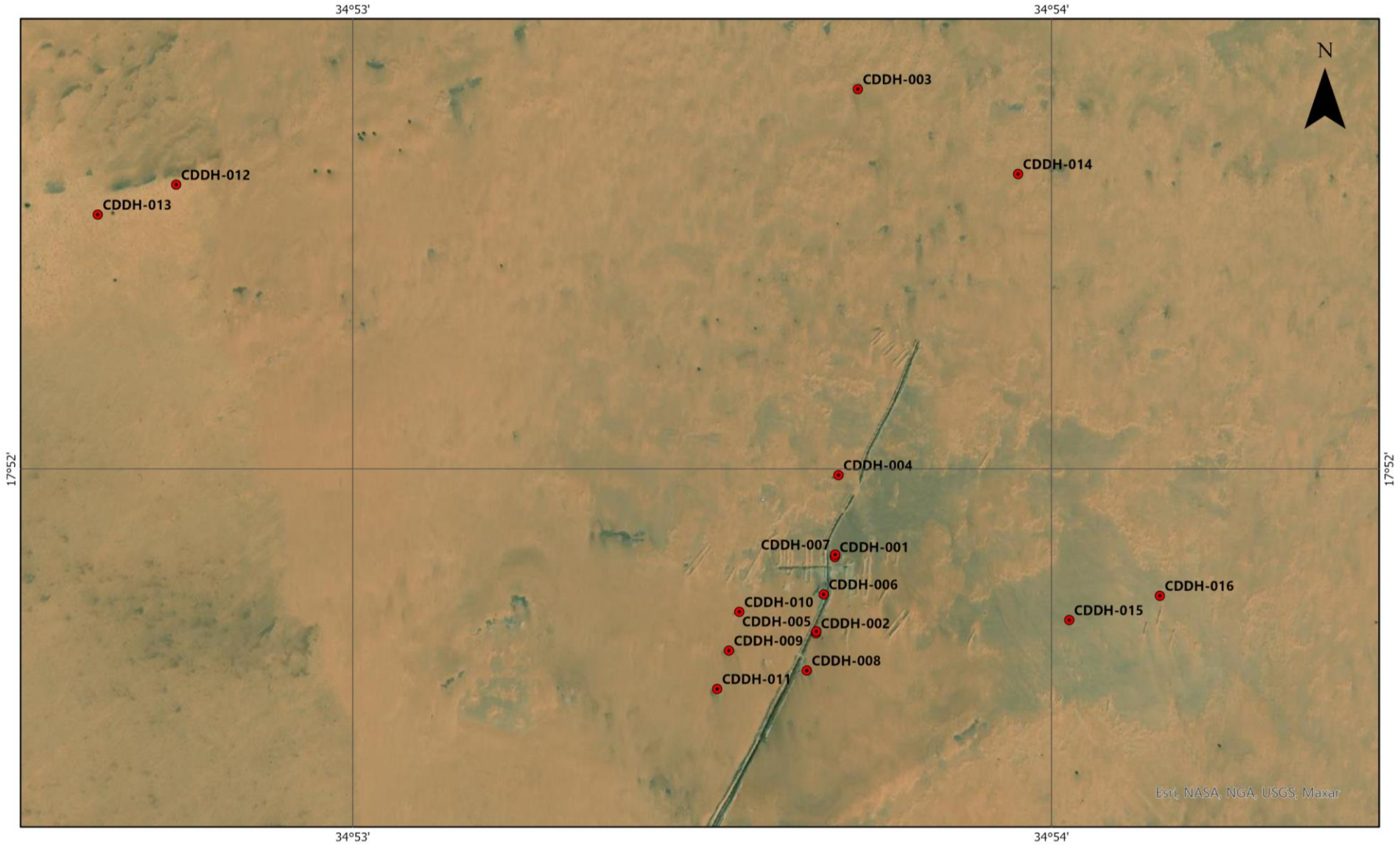
# Objectives

1. Ascertain nature of mineralisation at Copper Dream
2. Assess economic viability of deposit
3. Consider and recommend further steps

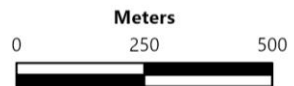
# Methodology

- Review of RC and DDH logs, diamond core images, geochemical data, 3D Leapfrog model, geological & geophysical information
- Identify and log representative DDH core (Anaconda logging method); completed detailed logging of CDDH-001, 002 and 013
- Ground-truth outcrop (none identified) and existing trenches (mostly back-filled but on-site work included logging of major N-S trench and three newly developed E-W trenches in late 2022)





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# Findings (1)

- Copper Dream undoubtedly a porphyry Cu ( $\pm$ Au-Mo) deposit, based on petrographic and petrological constraints (c.f. Petrolab Report from 26/01/2023), nature and style of both alteration and mineralisation, textural evidence and geological context (see appendices); opens region up for PCD exploration
- Oxide portion of deposit potentially economically viable, subject to further closed-spaced drilling and MRe definition
- Due to low primary Fe content of host rock intrusion, VTEM ineffective in identifying mineralised portion of PCD; IP chargeability has delineated 'bulls-eye' target coincidental with high-grade core of deposit
- Copper Dream deposit situated within evolved (felsic) intrusion beneath Cenozoic lake sediments (up to 5m)

# Findings (2)

- Represents primarily a geophysical target; any as yet undiscovered PCDs in the general area are likely to be situated in similar setting; trenching (to >3m depth) useful in delineating outline and high-grade core of deposit
- Copper Dream characterized by low-Fe/high-Cu grades, as evidenced by very limited primary or hydrothermal magnetite, overall low abundance of pyrite, and predominance of bornite over chalcopyrite in hypogene portion of deposit
- Deposit defined by well-developed alteration zonation, including potassic, propylitic, phyllic and argillic alteration
- Core of system intersected in CDDH-001, 002, 005, 008 and 010 (i.e., drilling to date did not 'miss' centre of mineralisation at Copper Dream)
- CDDH-013 – 015 entirely within distal (phyllic to argillic) portion of alteration zonation

# Findings (3)

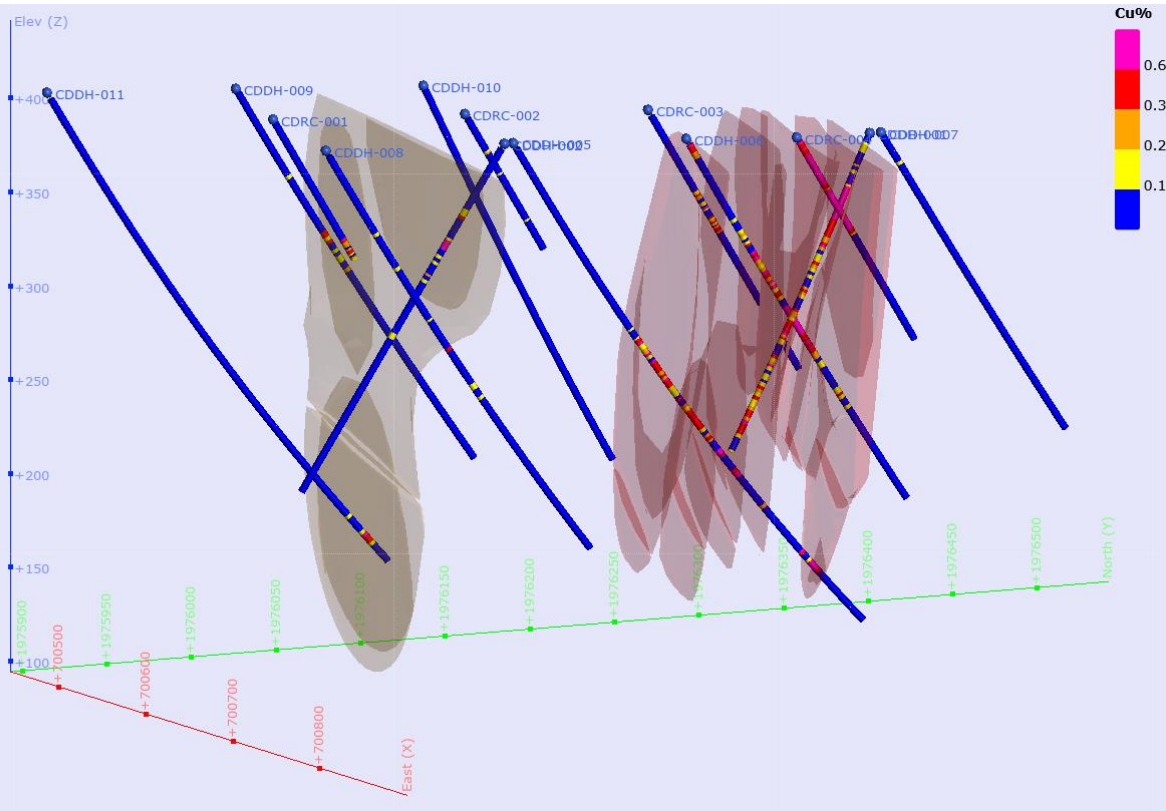
- Deposit closed off to North, South and East; limited upside potential to West of current drilling
- Deposit developed under relatively high lithostatic pressure conditions in deeper levels of the crust, as evidenced by virtually absent breccia and low abundance of stockwork veins
- Lack of lithocap and/or epithermal mineralisation likely due to erosional influences
- Overall, primary portion of Copper Dream deposit considered too small to be economic, based on erratic and infrequent grade distribution, as well as lateral extent of system; however, significant upside potential exists in wider region within and outside of current EL area

# Next steps and recommendations

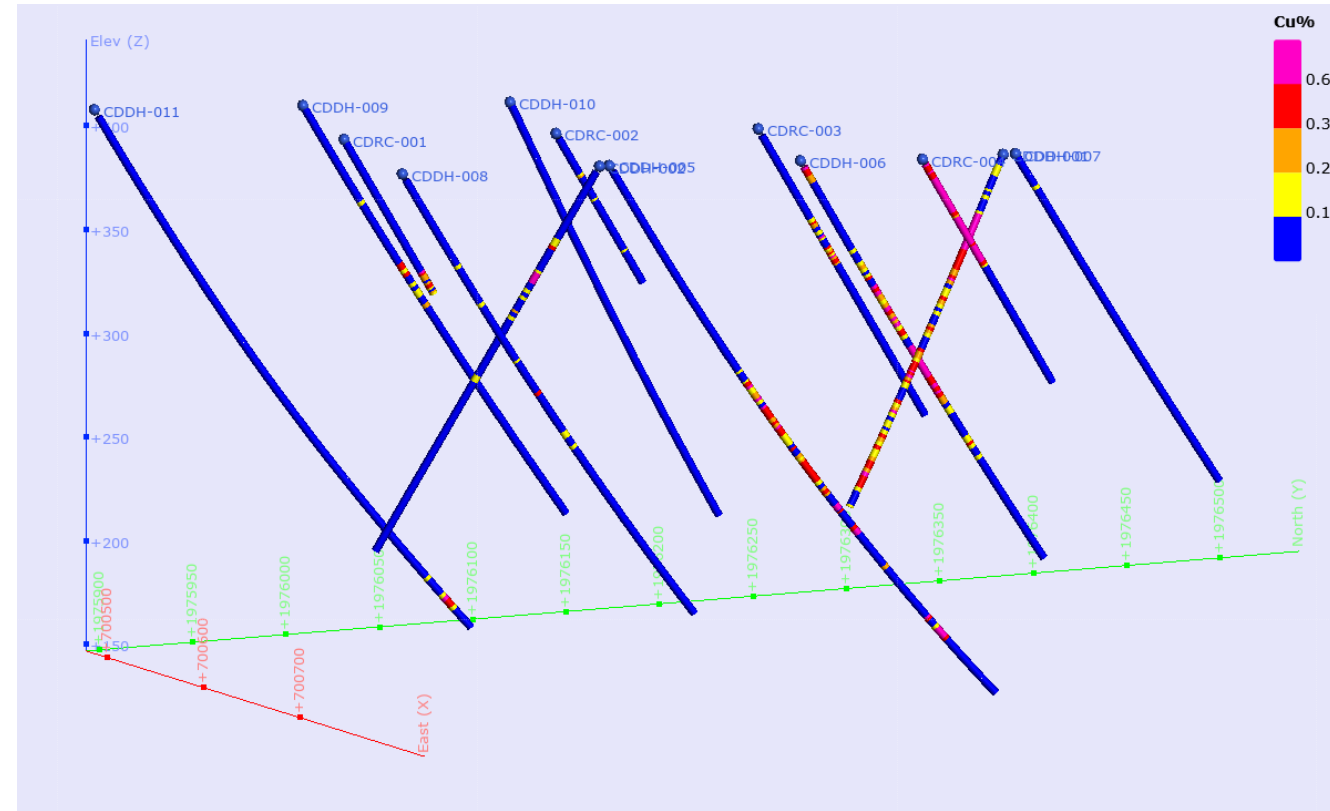
- Consider delineation of oxide-only resource via closed-spaced drilling across high-grade core of deposit (to ca. 85m depth)
- Review existing geophysical data to delineate additional targets (see appendices)
- Undertake geophysical targeting study within and beyond current EL boundaries, using ground-based GAIP and DDIP line survey methodologies
- Use trenching (to depths of at least 3m) to test and ground-truth geophysical anomalies; complement with RAB/AC drilling and collect bottom-of-hole samples to delineate geochemical vectors
- Extend current geochemical assay suite to include As, Mo, Sb, Te, Pb, Zn, Ag to enable the development of a better constrained ore deposit model and improve understanding of ore genesis, with implications for targeting of 'CD-like porphyry deposits in region of interest
- Consider using hyperspectral analysis of drill core to develop comprehensive alteration zonation models; this also provides valuable vectors towards high-grade core of 'fertile' porphyries



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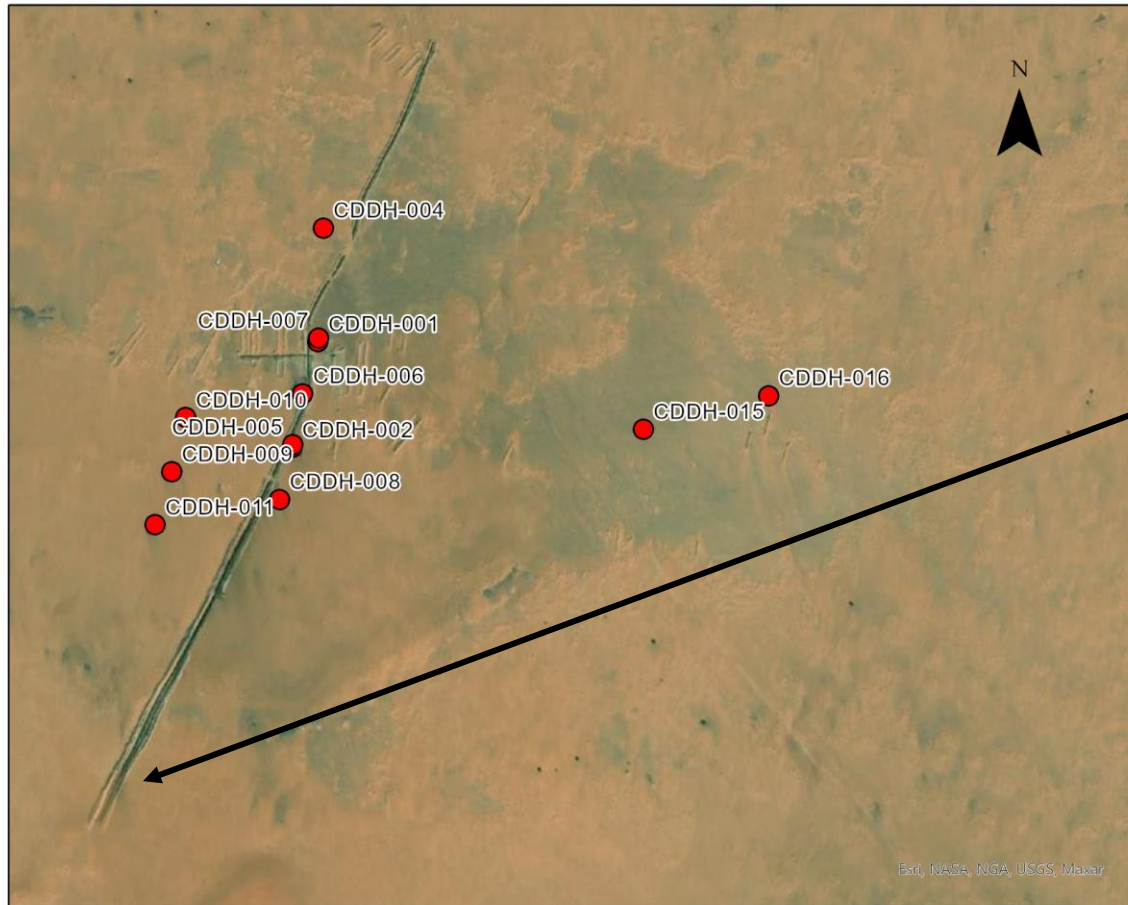


Screenshot of 3D LF model of Copper Dream, showing Cu grade distribution in DDH; of note is the erratic and limited-width nature of mineralisation, especially away from the core zone of the deposit



Screenshot of 3D LF model of Copper Dream, showing logged lithology; except for minor intervals of post-mineralisation mafic dykes (there are two distinct types of MD, of which only one hosts secondary Cu-Ox) and intervening diorite, the principal host rock is a low-Fe granite - granodiorite

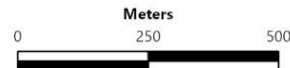
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Outline of the Copper Dream deposit, showing DDH collar locations, newly drilled (late 2022) holes and orientation of the 'big' N-S trench that extends across most of the alteration zonation and delineates well both the core zone of the mineralised zone, and its periphery.



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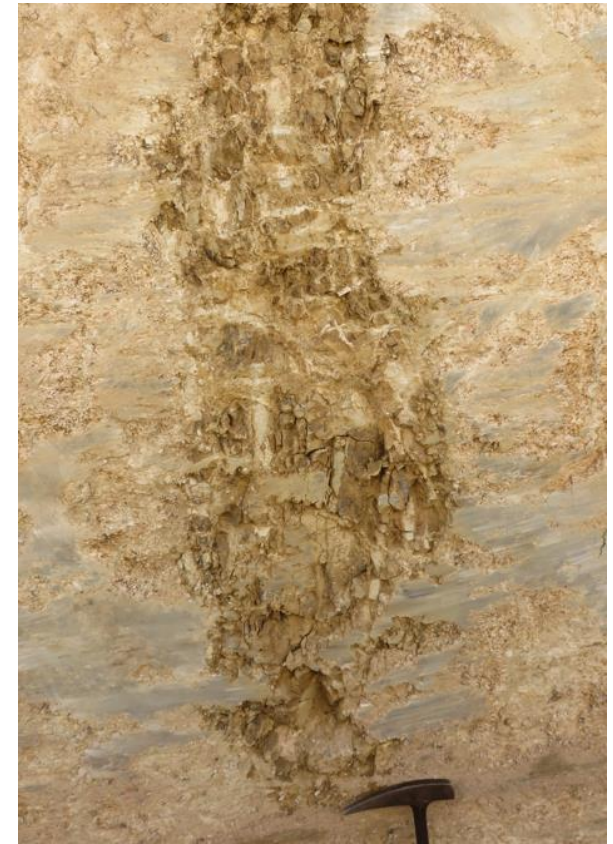
Set of steeply-dipping 'sheeted' A-veins exposed in N-S trench near DDH-010 collar.



One of three E-W trenches dug in late 2022 and situated entirely within the NE portion of the (distal) phyllic-argillic alteration zone of Copper Dream.



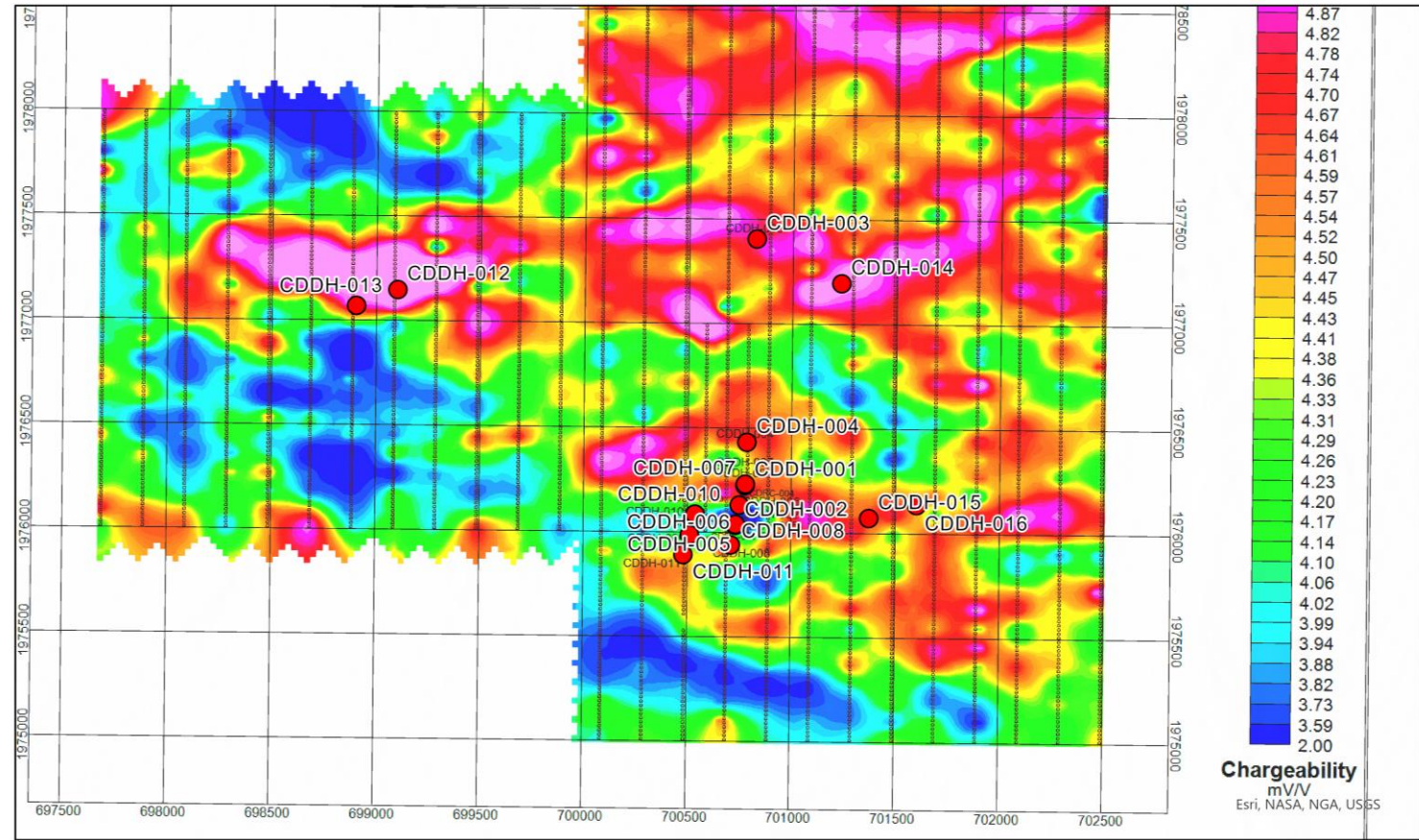
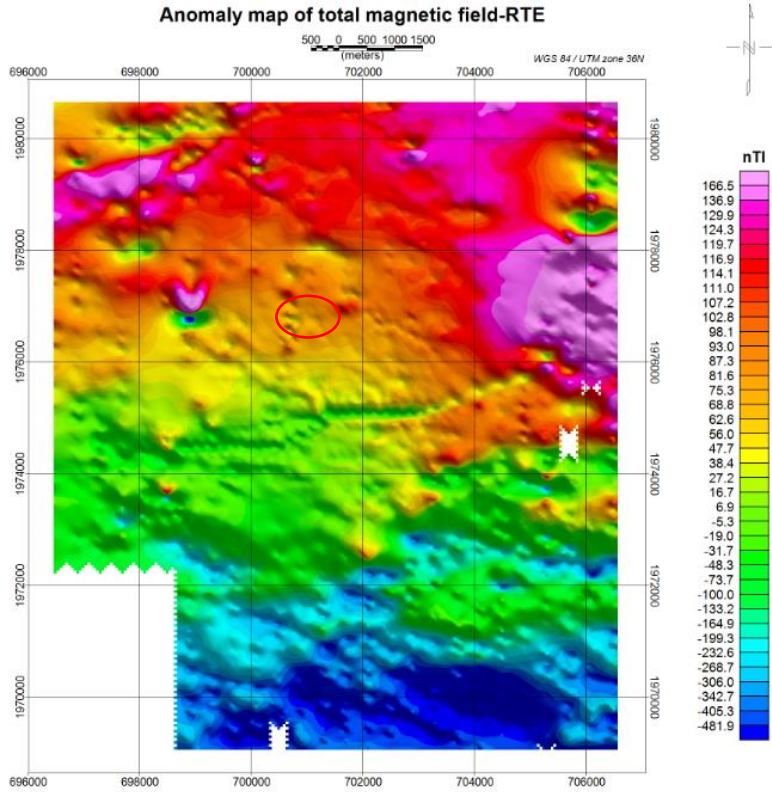
Cu-Ox staining on fracture surfaces within phyllic-argillic altered granite in 2022 trench. Note absence of 'feeder' beneath Cu-exposure.



Exposure of post-mineralisation mafic dyke in 2022 trench; note absence of secondary Cu-Ox.



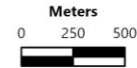
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TMI-RTE image of survey area (above), providing extremely limited information on the existence of Copper Dream (indicated by red ellipsoid) when compared to output from IP chargeability contour modelling (right).



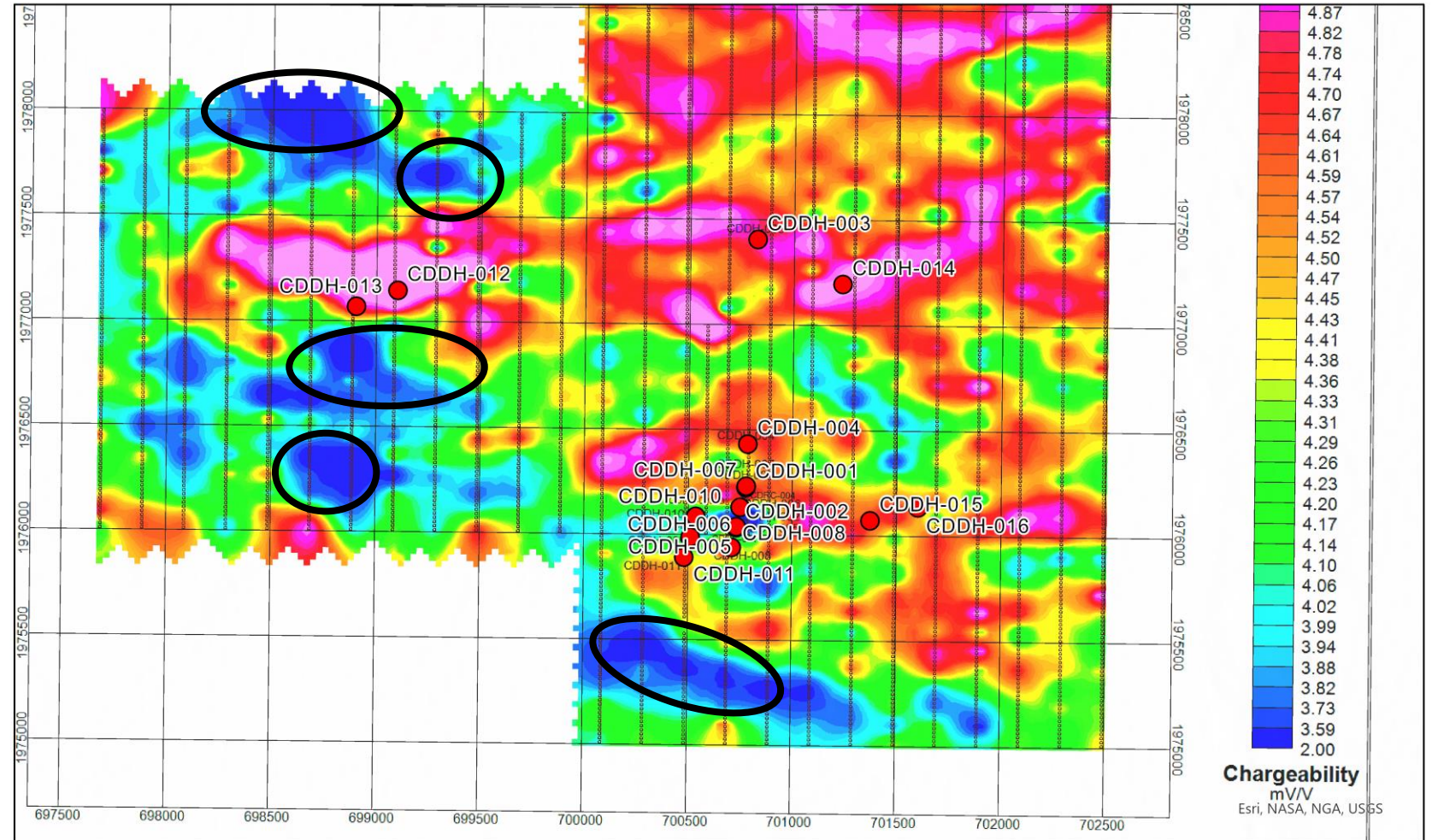
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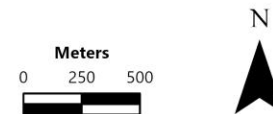


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Potential concealed 'CD-like' PCD target areas (outlined by black ellipsoids) within current extent of IP survey area considered worthy of follow-up by trenching, ground-based GAIP/DDIP and auger drilling.

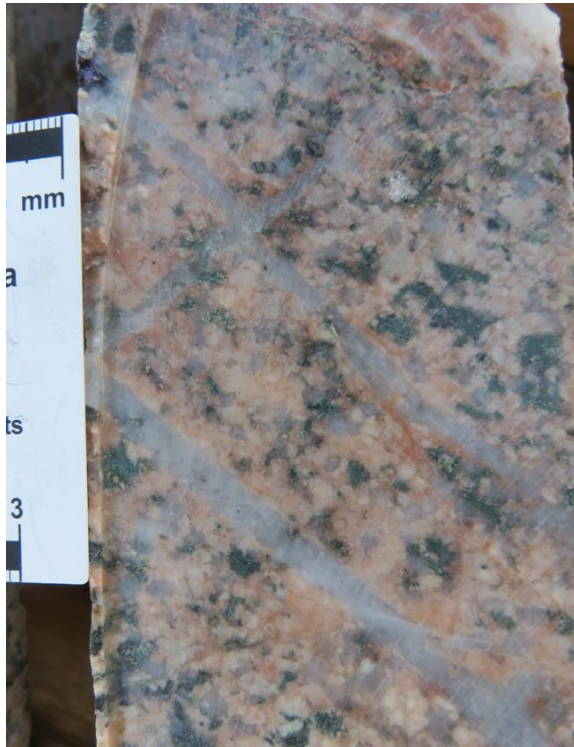


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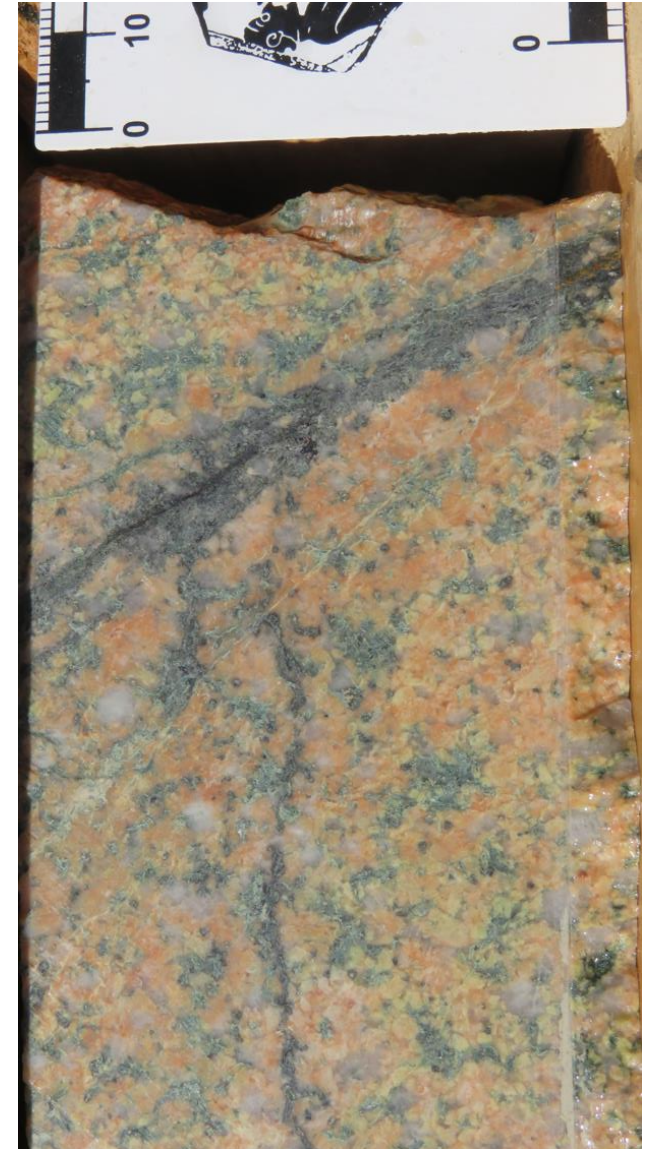
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Rare set of A-veins exposed in CDDH-001 at 164.7m.



Bornite clot (partially altered to covellite) in CDDH-002 at 181.5m.



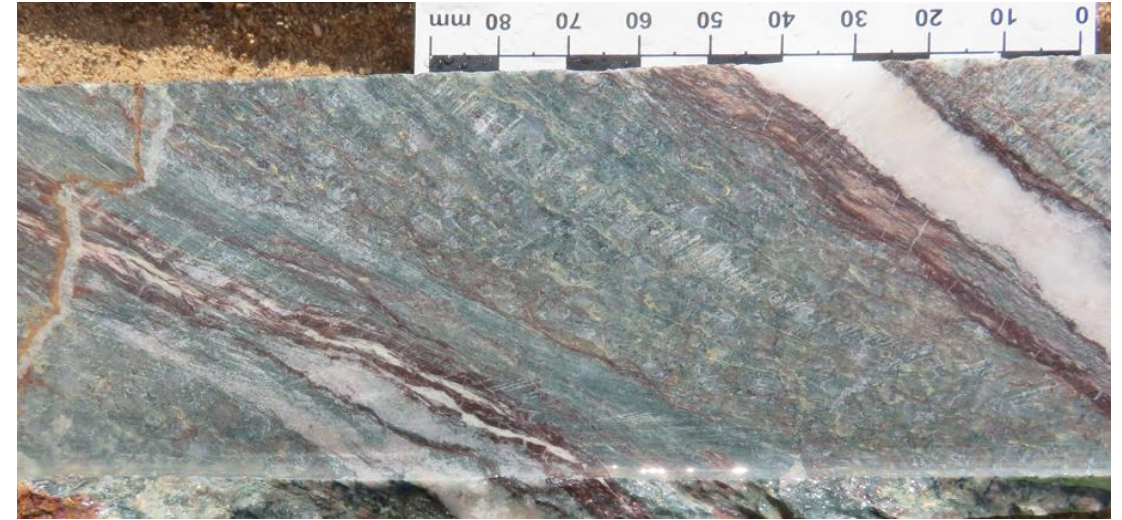
Bornite-bearing C-vein set in CDDH-001 at 152m.



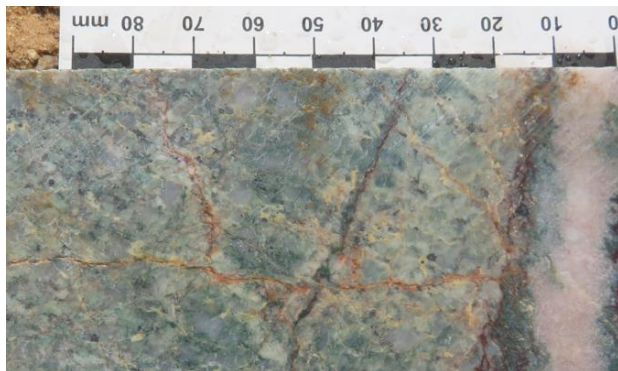
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Potassic-altered granite (CDDH-001, 44 - 45m) containing clots of biotite-chlorite-epidote-feldspar-bornite within partially replaced groundmass.

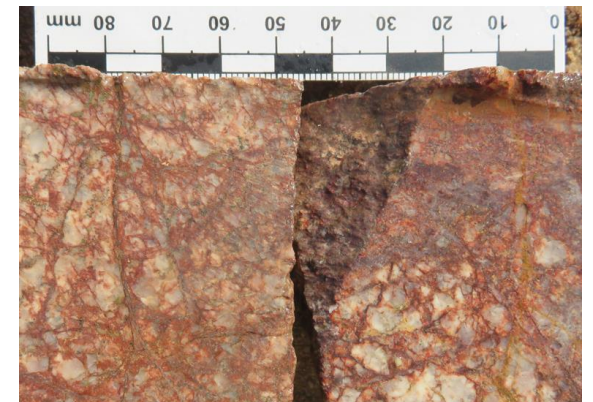


Localised high-strain zone at contact between potassic-propylitic altered granite and granodiorite (CDDH-001; 177.3m).



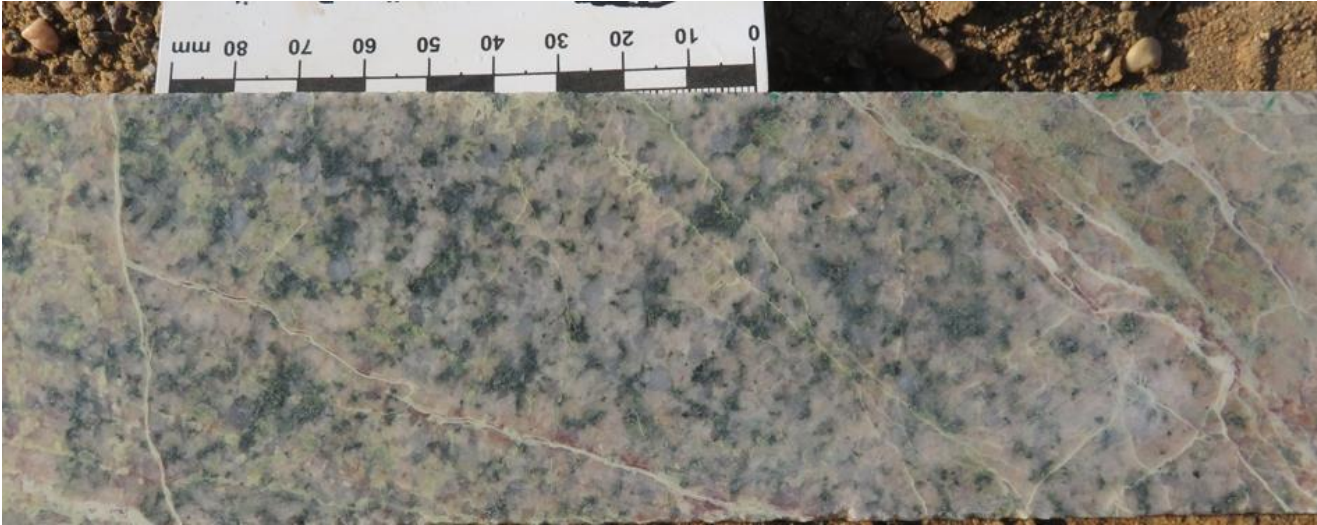
Contact between propylitic altered granite (right hand side of photo) and potassic altered granodiorite (CDDH-001; 181m).

Barren but intensely ferruginised and fractured granite (CDDH-002; 27m).





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Set of sericite haloes in weakly phyllic-altered granite in CDDH-013 (146m)

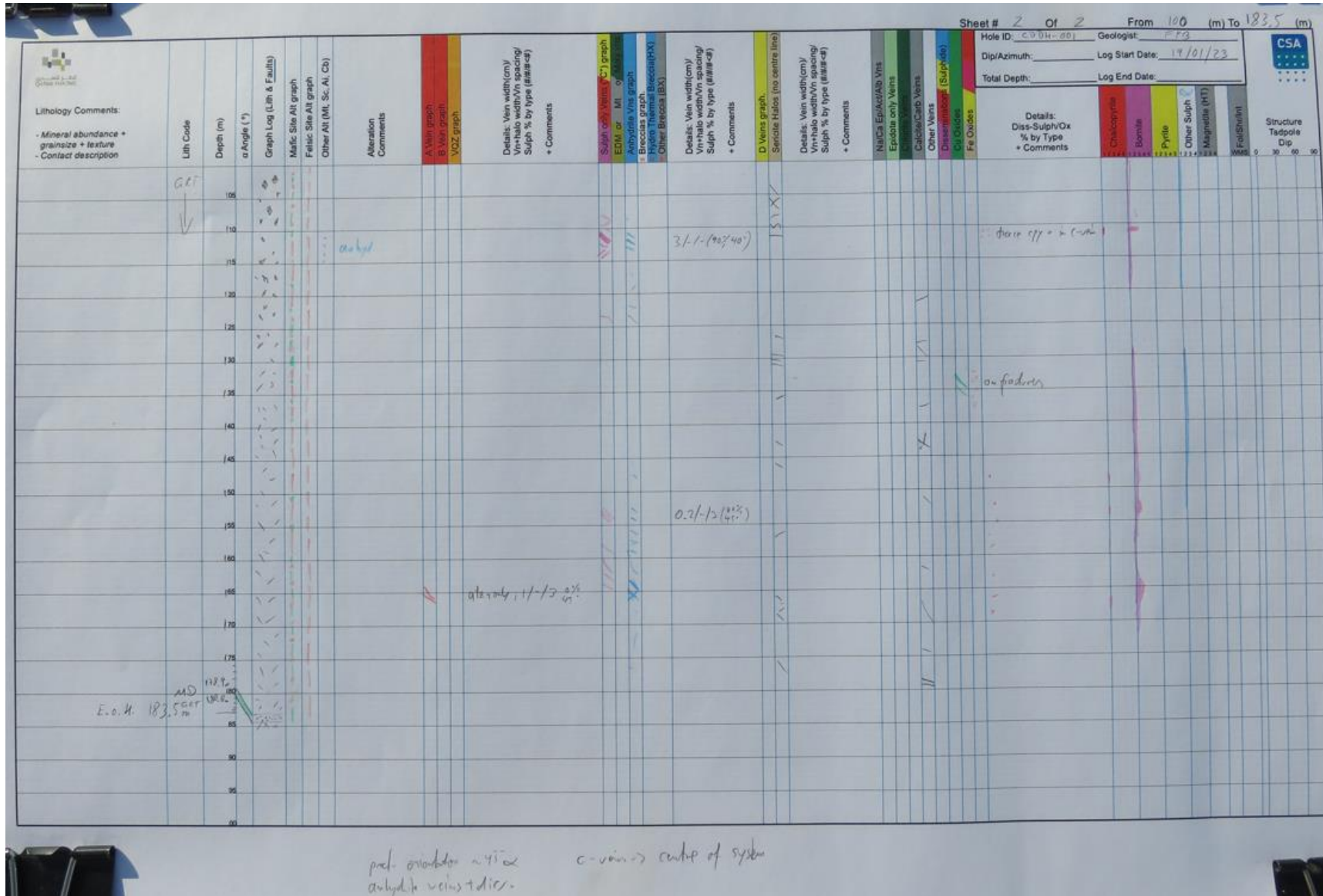
Secondary Cu-Ox in veinlets within ferruginous, phyllic-altered granite in CDDH-013 (13.5m)



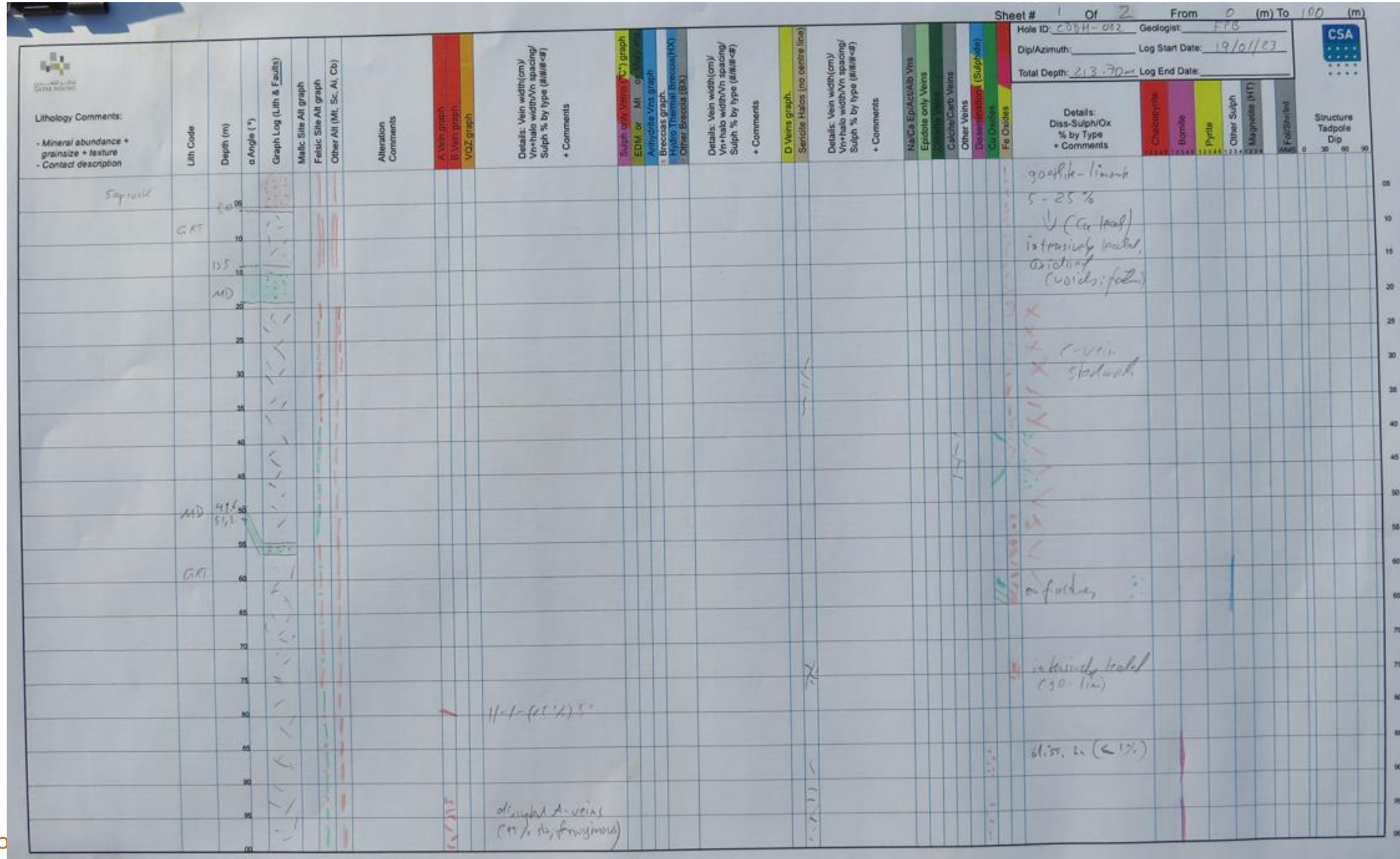




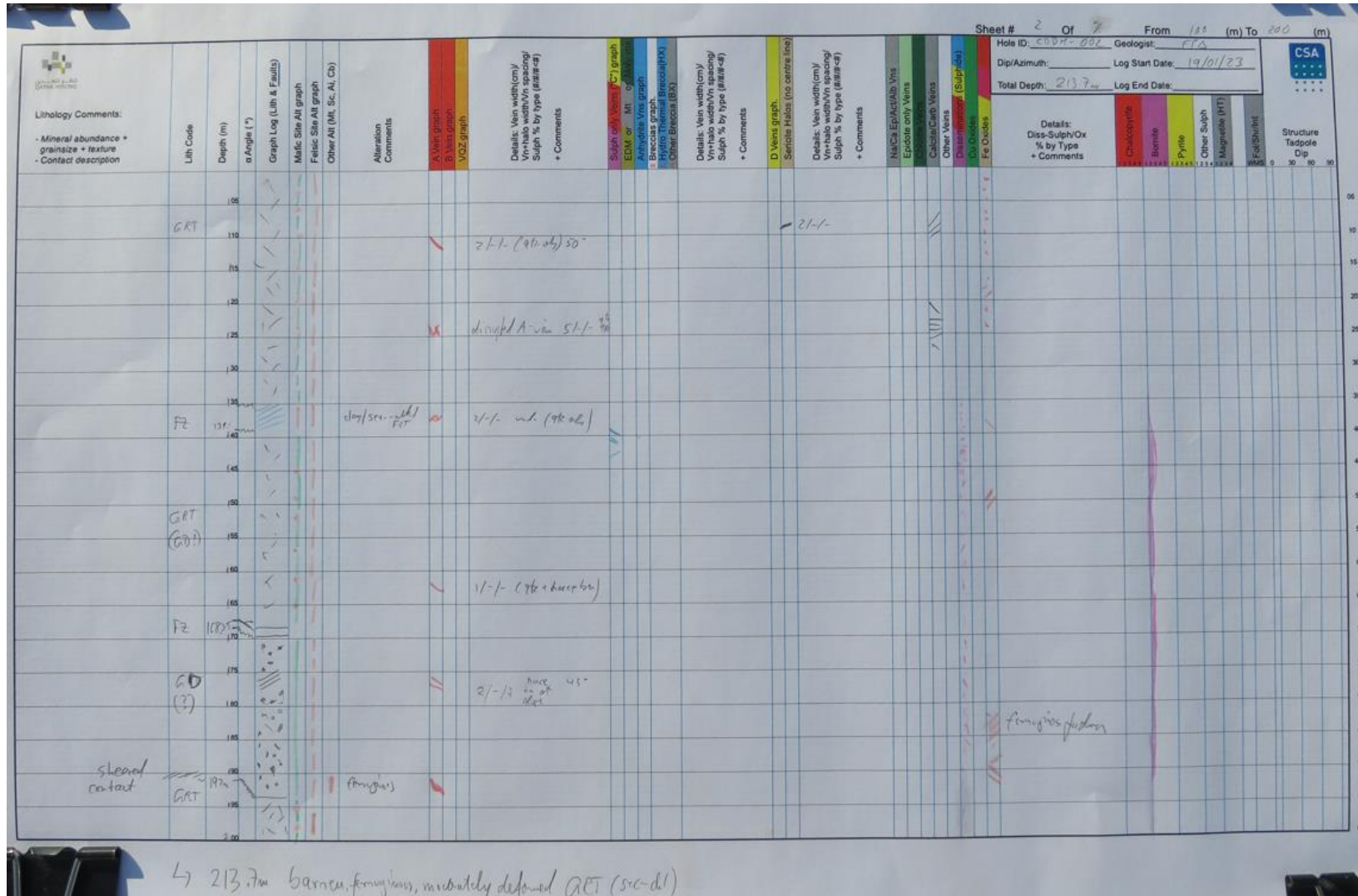
# Anaconda Logging Sheet CDDH-001



# Anaconda logging sheets for CDDH-002 (top 200m only)



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