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#### ABSTRACT

An abstract of the thesis of John Frederick King for the Master of Science in Geology presented May 24, 1994.

Title: Magmatic Evolution and Eruptive History of the Granitic Bumping Lake Pluton, Washington: Source of the Bumping River and Cash Prairie Tuffs.

The 25 Ma Bumping Lake pluton ranges in composition from quartz diorite to granite with the granitic facies comprising approximately 90% of the pluton's surface area. The granite may be classified as calcalkaline, peraluminous and I-type with some Stype characteristics. A late-stage, mafic-poor facies fills cooling related extensional fractures. The pluton was passively emplaced into the Ohanapecosh Formation at a shallow level in the crust. Contact relationships vary from sharp where the contact is vertical to gradational at the roof of the pluton. Where gradational, stoped xenoliths from the roof of the pluton increase in size, angularity and retain more of their primary textures as the contact is approached. Spacial trends in major and trace elements support the interpretation that xenoliths were stoped and assimilated into the melt The predicted Rayleigh number for the pluton when molten is  $10^7$  and the predicted Reynolds number is approximately  $10^{-9}$ . Based on these values, the magma of the pluton probably did not convect, and if it did, convection was weak and not a significant process.

Based on variations in Eu/Eu\* and Sr values, plagioclase fractionation was an important process in the petrogenesis of the pluton. Additionally, fractionation of accessory minerals rich in light rare-earth elements (LREE) resulted in successive depletion of LREE with progressive differentiation. Two separate regions of the pluton are highly differentiated as indicated by high Si02 values, high Rb/Zr ratios, and low Zr and Ti02 values.

Mapping by the author indicates that the pluton projects beneath the Mount Aix caldera. Dates of three tuffs derived from the caldera are equivalent to the pluton, and two of these tuffs are chemically indistinguishable from the granite facies of the pluton. This implies that the Bumping Lake pluton represents the chilled remains of the magma chamber that fed the Mount Aix caldera.

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#### IN1RODUCTION

Attempts to model high-silica magma chambers have traditionally relied on stratigraphic studies of material erupted from the chambers rather than studies of the chambers themselves (e.g., Williams, 1942; Katsui, 1963; Smith, 1966; Hildreth, 1979; Fridrich and Mahood, 1987; Bacon and Druitt, 1988; Whitney, 1988). These studies are meaningful, but are limited in that they can only provide information about the chamber at a few instants throughout the life of the chamber. Additional or at least more conclusive information might be retrieved from the system if the magma chamber *and* its eruptive products are studied.

It is uncommon for both a crystallized magma chamber and its eruptive products to be exposed in sufficient detail to permit an investigation relating the two. A magma chamber is usually exposed only after the pile of volcanic material above is eroded away, which is self-defeating because an associated volcanic pile is the best evidence that a pluton was also a magma chamber. Without an association of volcanic material, it is unlikely that a crystallized magma chamber could be distinguished from an intrusion with no associated vent

Mapping by Abbott (1953), Campbell (1987), and the author (Hammond and others, 1993) shows that the Bumping Lake pluton is a large granitic body exposed within 400 m of the Mount Aix caldera. One zircon fission-track date of the pluton of 24.7±0.6 Ma is reported by Clayton (1983). K-Ar and zircon fission-track dates of quartz-bearing

tuffs from the caldera fill complex range from 27.6±1.4 Ma (Schreiber, 1981) to 26.3±1.3 Ma (Vance and others, 1987). The above relationships indicate that the pluton may be the crystallized remains of the magma chamber that once fed the Mount Aix caldera.

#### OBJECTIVES

The primary purpose of this research is to substantiate the existence of a cogenetic relationship between the Bumping Lake pluton and the Mount Aix caldera. To this end, physical features, petrography and chemistry of the pluton are described in detail and compared to the caldera and its eruptive products. Establishment of the pluton as a volcanic source allows the pluton to be viewed as a complex and dynamic system. Having this knowledge allows a more thorough understanding of the magmatic processes that an active magma chamber can be subject to.

#### METHODS OF STUDY

The problem of relating a plutonic body to alleged eruptive products should be attacked on multiple fronts so that one method can be used to support or deny interpretations based on another method. In this study, field relationships provide the foundation for the rest of the study. Only when the field work is complete and understood do chemical and petrographic data have meaning. For this study, all analyses were performed at Washington State University's GeoAnalytical Lab. Of 154 total samples from the pluton, 138 were analyzed by XRF (Appendix B). Representative samples of this group were analyzed by ICP-MS (Appendix C). Twelve samples were examined petrographically. Additionally, 47 samples of three tuffs were analyzed by XRF, and representative samples from each tuff were also analyzed by ICP-MS. Thin sections of each tuff were examined and compared to the thin sections of the pluton.



Figure 1. Geologic setting of the Bumping Lake pluton. Dashed box represents the area shown in Figure 2.

### GEOLOGIC SETIING

The Cascade Range is a 1100 km long continental arc that has been active since its inception at about 42 Ma (Atwater, 1970; Duncan and Kulm, 1989). Early in the margin's history, the convergence rate *was* relatively rapid and steep (Riddihough, 1984). Although the convergence rate has varied throughout the life of the margin, on average, the convergence rate and the subduction angle has been decreasing (Riddihough, 1984). Over time, continued volcanism in the arc increased the local heat flow gradient, which allowed large felsic bodies to ascend to shallow levels in the continental crust. Some of these bodies vented to the sutface and produced about 20 quartz-bearing tuffs that are widely scattered through the Cascade Range and vary in age from 36-18 Ma (Paul E. Hammond, pers. commun., 1994). The granitic Bumping Lake pluton and its associated vent, the Mount Aix caldera, are an example of one of these tuff-producing intrusive/volcanic systems (Figure 1).

#### RIMROCK LAKE INLIER

The Rimrock Lake inlier is composed of five pre-Tertiary units separated along vertical tectonic contacts or shear faults, which do not extend into younger units (Schasse, 1987; Walsh and others, 1987). The inlier is about 25 by 40 km in outcrop and to the south, reaches within two kilometers of the Bumping Lake pluton. Pre-arc sedimentary rocks sporadically overlie the inlier. The strata are thinner in the vicinity of the

pluton than to the east and west, which indicates that the inlier formed a structural high in the early Tertiary. The present structural and topographic high is just south of Rimrock Lake. From there the structural high dips gently to the north and projects beneath the Bumping Lake pluton. To the east of the pluton, it is truncated by the caldera margin fault of the Mount Aix caldera.

The upper Jurassic to lower Cretaceous Russell Ranch Fonnation is one of the five units within the inlier and consists primarily of metasedimentary rocks that show turbidite characteristics of the flysch facies (Schasse, 1987). The Lookout Formation is older than 157 Ma and consists chiefly of black graphitic garnet-mica schist and amphibolite, minor metatonalite, metagranodiorite, and metagabbro (Walsh and others, 1987; Schasse, 1987). Foliated metaplutonic rock of Indian Creek is late Jurassic to early Cretaceous in age and consists of two north-striking belts of predominantly tonalite, minor gabbro~ diorite, amphibolite, and schist (Miller, 1989). North of Edgar Rock, Walsh and others (1987) and Schasse (1987) describe the occurrence of dark green greenstones and dikes that may be early Tertiary in age. Walsh and others (1987) and Schasse (1987) also describe a Mesozoic unit weakly associated with the Russell Ranch Formation that is chiefly cataclastic amphibolite, with minor phyllite, greenstone, schist, gneiss, metasandstone, and ultramafite.

#### OHANAPECOSH FORMATION

In all cases, rocks of the Oligocene Ohanapecosh Formation constitute the intrusive host. Radiometric dates on tuffs throughout the formation range from 28±2.9 to

36.4±3.6 Ma (Schasse, 1987; Vance and others, 1987). The Ohanapecosh Formation is a thick sequence of intermediate composition lithic breccias, lava flows, and lithic-lapilli tuffs, volcaniclastic siltstone, sandstone, and conglomerate (Fiske and others, 1963; Winters, 1984; Schasse, 1987; Vance and others, 1987).

Although intrusive relations range from gradational to relatively sharp, in all cases rocks of the Ohanapecosh constitute the intrusive host. Where gradational, the intrusion filled fractures in the host rock and then solidified so that fragments of the host rock can be visually pieced back together. Near the intrusive contact, textures and compositions of the xenoliths closely resemble those found in Ohanapecosh rocks. As distance from the contact increases, xenolithic textures become less varied and their size and frequency decrease. Typically this transition takes place over a distance of approximately 200 vertical meters. Based on this size, frequency, textural, and compositional evidence, these xenoliths are interpreted to be stoped country rock rather than parental melt Lightcolored reaction rims surround many xenoliths near Chinook Pass, but are absent around enclaves found on Miners Ridge. Sharp intrusive contacts are less common, but can be found on American Ridge and to the west on a ridge south of Cougar Lake. At these locations, xenoliths are absent and the distance over which the pluton grades into the host rock is typically about two meters.

A NW-SE trending anticline in the Ohanapecosh Formation probably existed prior to emplacement of the pluton since no deformation is apparent in the pluton. The anticlinal axis is parallel to the long axis of the pluton and may have influenced the location of the intrusion. Lack of faulting or structurally disturbed beds in the Ohanapecosh Formation surrounding the pluton suggests it was emplaced without deforming its host. The extent to which the country rock is metamorphosed is surprisingly low and is on the order of 10 to 100 meters.

#### Wildcat Creek Beds

Wildcat Creek beds are well-bedded, andesitic and dacitic volcaniclastic rocks (Swanson, 1978; Schreiber, 1981) that have been dated at  $32.2 \pm 3.3$  and  $31.8 \pm 2.2$  Ma (Vance and others, 1987). Vance and others (1987) have also suggested a correlation between these beds and the upper Ohanapecosh Formation, and for this reason the Wildcat Creek beds are not distinguished from the Ohanapecosh Formation in Figure 1.

## FIFES PEAKS FORMATION

The Fifes Peaks Formation is a thick accumulation of basaltic andesite, andesite, rhyolite flows, tuffs, breccias, and laharic deposits (Schasse, 1987; Hammond and Hooper, 1991) that lies to the north of the Bumping Lake pluton. Fission-track ages on tuffs associated with Fifes Peaks lavas range from 22 to 26 Ma (Vance and others, 1987), while K-Ar dates range from 17 to 25 Ma (Hartman, 1973), which places this formation in the lower Miocene. Fifes Peaks volcano-caldera is a medium-sized stratovolcano composed chiefly of mafic andesite with a complex history of caldera formation and filling processes (Brunstad and Hammond, 1992).

#### COLUMBIA RIVER BASALT

Four to five flows of Grande Ronde Basalt, a formation of the Columbia River Basalt Group, occur to the east of the Bumping Lake pluton and lap on to the units described above (see Figure 1). These flows are aphyric to sparsely plagioclase-phyric \_ tholeiitic flood lavas aged between 15.6 and 16.5 Ma (Watkins and Baksi, 1974; Lux, 1981; Long and Duncan, 1983; Schasse, 1987). Locally, the flows are interbedded with feldspathic sandstone or Ellensburg volcanic sedimentary rocks (Hammond and Hooper, 1991).

## YOUNG INTRUSIONS AND FLOWS

Young porphyritic intrusive rocks with andesitic to dacitic geochemical signatures commonly cut the pluton in the Miners Ridge area. A rhyolite porphyry intrusion cuts the pluton at American Ridge in the northern region.

Two 140,000-730,000 yr. (Abbott, 1953; Clayton, 1983; Simmons and others, 1983; Schasse, 1987) andesite flows, referred to as andesite of Deep Creek, vented through Miners Ridge (Figure 2). The vent of the southern flow of the Deep Creek andesite forms a dome located directly south of Granite Lake. The lava flowed into the Deep Creek valley and continued for approximately three kilometers down the valley toward Bumping Lake. Since remnants of the flow can be found over 100 m up the north slope of Pear Butte Ridge, the flow probably existed before the Hayden Creek glaciation of the Deep Creek valley. The northern flow vented near the crest of Miners Ridge and flowed down its northern slope. This flow terminates at the shore of Bumping Lake, and



Figure 2. Simplified geologic map of the Bumping Lake pluton. Triangles represent Quaternary vents, and dark gray units represent lava flows from these vents. Light gray units are intrusions younger than the Bumping Lake pluton. For a detailed map on a topographic base, refer to Figure 3.

has reversed magnetic polarity (Abbott, 1953; Clayton, 1983), which places it older than

about 780 ka.

# REGIONAL STRUCTURES

A regional eastward homocline occurs between the Rimrock Lake inlier and Fifes

Peaks (Figure 1). Arc strata and Columbia River basalt flows are deformed and exposed

in this 20-35°E-dipping homocline (Hammond, 1989).

A set of northwest-striking folds enters the area from the northwest. One of these folds, the Chinook Pass anticline, is 15 km wide with 500 m amplitude. The fold axis of this anticline is terminated by the Bumping Lake pluton, which is elongated in the direction of the anticline. The eastern flank of this anticline is part of the regional eastward homocline described above. To the west, the Chinook Pass anticline is flanked by the shallow Yakima Peak syncline, which deforms rocks of similar age.

A set of southwest-striking folds less developed than the northwest-striking folds occur in the region also. These folds occur west of the Olympic-Wallowa lineament (OWL) and plunge northeast, roughly normal to the OWL. Strata as young as the Columbia River basalts are deformed by these folds. The Bethel Ridge anticline stretches west to east north of Tieton volcano (Swanson, 1966, 1978). A syncline lies to the north of the Bethel Ridge anticline that starts between the Mount Aix caldera and Edgar Rock volcano arid extends south of the anticline located south of the Bumping River. A narrow syncline paralleled by a fault extends southeasterly along the Bumping River, possibly to the Mount Aix caldera.

# CHARACTERISTICS OF THE PLUTON

The shallowly emplaced, predominantly granitic Bumping Lake pluton (BLP) is located approximately 35 km east of Mount Rainier. It extends 16 km from the Mount Aix caldera in the southeast to 1.5 km east of Chinook Pass in the northwest (see Figure 1). At its maximum, the pluton has a width of eight kilometers across Bumping Lake. The area of the pluton is about 120 km<sup>2</sup>, which surpasses the minimum size requirement to be considered a batholith (Bates and Jackson, 1986). Only one date of the pluton has been reported: a zircon fission-track date of 24.7±0.6 Ma, which was obtained from the granite facies on Miners Ridge (Clayton, 1983). The Bumping Lake pluton is significant because it is one of only two large, epizonal, granitic intrusions presently exposed in the Cascade Range. The other is the 48 Ma Golden Hom batholith in the North Cascades (Tabor and others, 1968).

#### DISTRIBUTION OF ROCK TYPES IN THE PLUTON

Approximately 90% of the pluton's outcrop expression is granite, 9% granodiorite to quartz diorite, and the remaining 1 % is a fine-grained, mafic-poor granite that occurs in dike and sill swarms cutting the granite.

Transitions from granite to granodiorite to quartz diorite are texturally and mineralogically gradational. In outcrop, granodiorite and quartz diorite occur only in two isolated areas, the first in the northwest at Highway 410 and the second in the southeast



# EXPLANATION

• Sample location Intrusive contact Roads Contour interval 400 feet

1 Mile 1 Kilometer

North<br> **Mag. North**  $V^{20^\circ}$ 

Figure 3. Sample location map. Samples analyzed by XRF and ICP-MS are represented by red squares. Refer to Appendices A and B for UTM coordinates and chemistry of samples.

on Nelson Ridge. The pluton lacks a continuous mafic rim typically found in zoned plutons (e.g., Pankhurst, 1979; Stephens and Halliday, 1979; Fourcade and Allegre, 1981; Stephens, 1992). Trends in major and trace element chemistry with respect to Si02 show no significant compositional gap between quartz diorite, granodiorite, and granite (see Figures  $5-11$ ).

#### Petrography

Textures in the granite facies range from coarse-grained and porphyritic (quartz phenocrysts up to one cm) to medium-grained and equigranular; myrmekite is common through the range of textures. Essential minerals include quartz, plagioclase, K-feldspar, and biotite. Granodiorite may be distinguished from granite only by its lower K-feldspar content. Quartz diorite is almost exclusively limited to Nelson Ridge, and is characterized by its medium gray color, abundance of plagioclase, and lack of quartz. The fine-grained granite is white and commonly has 3-5 mm quartz phenocrysts. In general, the granite of the Bumping Lake pluton is texturally distinct from the fine- to mediumgrained, equigranular texture common in the Tatoosh-White River pluton (Fiske and others, 1963; Murphy and Marsh, 1993), Spirit Lake pluton (Evarts and others, 1987), and Snoqualmie batholith (Erikson, 1969). Alignment of minerals is absent except near the intrusive contact where the pluton fills fractures in xenoliths.

#### **Granite**

Although textures in the granite facies vary widely, mineral content varies little. Five thin sections from the granite facies were examined in thin section and represent the spectrum of textural characteristics. Sample 160 (sample locations shown in Figure 3) has 30% quartz, 30-35% plagioclase, 20-30% K-feldspar, 5% biotite, and 1 % opaque minerals (Table I summarizes the modal abundances of the facies ). The quartz is generally one millimeter in size, but occurs also as phenocrysts up to three millimeters. A myrmekitic texture occurs when quartz shares a crystal face with K-feldspar. The K-feldspar fills pore spaces between sub- and euhedral quartz and plagioclase indicating it crystallized late in the cooling history. Biotite is also a late-stage mineral and is most commonly associated with K-feldspar.

#### TABLE I



## SUMMARY OF PETROGRAPHIC DESCRIPTIONS

Sample 161 has 30% quartz, 45% plagioclase, 20% K-feldspar, 5% biotite, and  $\langle 1\%$  opaque minerals. Quartz is anhedral, 3-4 mm in size with incipient, poorly developed myrmekite when adjacent to K-feldspar. Plagioclase is strongly concentrically zoned in many grains such that the microscope stage rotates up to 55° as the extinction front passes from the core to the rim of the crystal. Most grains show albite twinning, are

anhedral, and about three millimeters in size. K-feldspar usually occurs in late-stage crystallization and less commonly as one millimeter, euhedral inclusions in quartz. Anhedral biotite occurs randomly. Part of a xenolith is included in the thin section. The xenolith is made up of 70% plagioclase and 30% biotite. No unusual textures or minerals occur at the granite-xenolith contact, nor do grain sizes change with distance from the contact.

Sample 178 is characterized by its large crystal sizes. The sample is made up of 35% quartz, 25% plagioclase, 30% K-feldspar, and 5-10% biotite. Opaque minerals make up much less than 1%. Quartz grains can be  $\sim$ 10 mm as phenocrysts, but are usually about five millimeters in size. Myrmekite is absent between quartz and K-feldspar. K-feldspar is averages five millimeters in size, anhedral, and commonly coarsely perthitic. Plagioclase is 4-6 mm, usually albite twinned, and occasionally concentrically zoned. Biotite is 3-4 mm and associated with K-feldspar. Small ( <1 mm) zircon grains are common inclusions in biotite.

Sample 210 is comprised of 35% quartz, 35% plagioclase, 25% K-feldspar, 5% biotite, and trace opaques and zircon. Myrmekite, whose origin is uncertain but believed to be secondary (Best, 1982), is absent from this sample. K-feldspar is anhedral and latestage. The crystals are perthitic and associated with biotite. Plagioclase ranges from anhedral to euhedral, and may be albite twinned and/or concentrically zoned. Biotite is also late-stage, and contains zircon inclusions.

Sample 207 has the most striking texture of all the thin sections. The sample is comprised of 30% quartz, 35% plagioclase, 25% K-feldspar, 5% biotite, 2-3% hornblende, and trace opaque minerals. Three distinct grain sizes exist in this sample: the

smallest is about 0.1 mm, the middle size is about one millimeter, and the largest crystals are average five millimeters. Plagioclase of the 0.1 mm size class are abundant and scattered evenly throughout the sample, but are not optically aligned. Glomerocrysts have been formed by the aggregation of the one millimeter plagioclase, which are concentrically zoned and contain inclusions of the 0.1 mm plagioclase. Plagioclase phenocrysts are five millimeters in size and are albite twinned with no inclusions. Quartz occurs in two forms: i) as five millimeter crystals with an inclusion free core measuring 1-2 mm in diameter and a two millimeter thick inclusion rich rim where the inclusions comprise about 50% of the volume, and ii) as 3-4 mm poikilitic crystals with abundant plagioclase inclusions (i.e., they have no pure quartz core). This implies that the small plagioclase laths were introduced into the melt after quartz had begun crystallizing. Poikilitic K-feldspar is mostly in the one millimeter size range with 0.1 mm inclusions of plagioclase and biotite. The K-feldspar is anhedral and perthitic. Some of the K-feldspar is surrounded by a thin reaction rim of plagioclase. Biotite is anhedral and occurs mostly in the 0.1 mm size range, but reaches up to  $0.7$  mm. It is associated with K-feldspar and opaque minerals. Hornblende occurs exclusively in the 0.1 mm size class, and is partly to wholly replaced by biotite.

#### Fine Granite

The fine granite facies is characterized by its fine grain size and lack of both biotite and hornblende. Sample 195 has 45% quartz, 45% K-feldspar, 10% plagioclase, and trace opaques and zircon. Quartz is subhedral and ranges from 0.1-0.5 mm in size, but is

generally 0.3-0.4 mm. K-feldspar ranges from 0.3-1.0 mm and is anhedral. Plagioclase occurs both as -0.5 mm albite twinned crystals and 3-4 mm phenocrysts.

## Granodiorite

Although not as abundant as granite, textures in the granodiorite facies also vary considerably. Sample 206 was taken from an outcrop near sample 207 and has a texture that is gradational between sample 207 and the granite described above. Its mineralogy consists of 20% quartz, 60% plagioclase, 15% K-feldspar, 3% biotite, 3% hornblende, and trace opaques. Anhedral quartz is commonly 1-2 mm in size, and occurs as 0.2 mm interstitial grains associated with K-feldspar. The mineral forms rare 3-4 mm phenocrysts, and where these occur, they have inclusions of K-feldspar. These inclusions fill fractures in the quartz instead of being euhedral in fonn. Generally, K-feldspar is not as coarsely perthitic as sample 207, and is less common. K-feldspar is associated with quartz, and is usually  $1-2$  mm in size, but also occurs as  $0.1$  mm interstitial grains. Biotite and hornblende commonly are found as inclusions. Plagioclase occurs in two distinct sizes. The smaller sized crystals are needle-like, 0.1-0.2 mm laths which make up the bulk of the groundmass. The larger sized crystals are concentrically zoned and are 3-4 mm in size. All plagioclase phenocrysts have a 0.1-0.2 mm thick plagioclase rim that is not optically aligned with the rest of the phenocryst and truncates albite twins. Biotite is less abundant than in sample 207. It is approximately 0.5 mm in size and interstitial. Hornblende in this sample is not being replaced by biotite as in sample 207, and is also about 0.5 mm in size and interstitial.

Sample 166 has 35% quartz, 55% plagioclase, 5% K-feldspar, 5% hornblende,  $\langle 1\%$  biotite, and  $\langle 1\%$  opaque minerals. 90% of the quartz occurs as 0.5-1 mm subhedral grains. The remaining 10% of the quartz is 2-3 mm phenocrysts associated with K-feldspar. These grain boundaries have an incipient myrmekitic texture. K-feldspar occurs as intergranular, late-stage, anhedral grains. The crystals are <0.5 mm and uncommon where the sample is dominated by plagioclase. Plagioclase occurs as sub- to euhedral two millimeters phenocrysts that are free of inclusions. The crystals are concentrically zoned and/or albite twinned. Hornblende is intergranular, anhedral, and late-stage. The crystals average 0.5 mm in size and are associated with plagioclase and quartz. A possible explanation for the difference in textures in this facies is that the range in texture is a result of the complex cooling history of a long-lived, periodically tapped magma body.

# **Quartz Diorite**

Quartz diorite is characterized by its lack of K-feldspar and relatively low quartz content. Sample 156, for example, is 80% plagioclase, 8-10% quartz, 8-10% biotite, 1- 3% hornblende, with trace opaque minerals. Plagioclase occurs both as five millimeter sub- to euhedral phenocrysts, but more commonly as an- to subhedral 2-3 mm groundmass. Concentric zoning is common as is albite twinning. Occasionally, the crystal is embayed and filled with biotite. Biotite is anhedral an interstitial. Secondary alteration has replaced some biotite rims with chlorite. Quartz is also anhedral and interstitial. Hornblende occurs associated with biotite and is late forming.

#### CLASSIFICATION

Representative samples from the different facies are plotted using the IUGS classification scheme. The results show that the main facies is a true granite. The pluton is also peraluminous (Figure 4) although minerals common in peraluminous granites such as muscovite, cordierite, andalusite, sillimanite, and garnet are absent.

Because the Bumping Lake pluton is located in the Cascade arc, it would be expected to be an I-type granitoid. However, the pluton straddles the boundaries between the I-type and S-type granitoids (Table II). The pluton has characteristics of both granitoid types, indicating that the source rocks are both igneous and sedimentary. The source



Figure 4.  $A12O3/(CaO+Na2O+K2O)$  vs. SiO<sub>2</sub>. Because all facies of the pluton have A/CNK values >l, they are defined *as* peraluminous. Aphanite shown as closed squares, fine granite *as* closed circles, granite as closed triangles, granodiorite and closed diamonds, and quartz diorite as open squares.

region for most I-type granites is the deep crust (Clarke, 1992), which is likely heterogeneous (Miller and others, 1987). Southeast of the pluton, the pre-Tertiary basement, taken as a whole, is a tectonic melange of metasedimentary and metavolcanic rocks (Miller, 1985), which projects beneath the study area. A similar phenomenon exists in the Criffell pluton, Scotland, where the pluton has both I- and S-type characteristics with a basement of metavolcanics and metasediments (Stephens, 1992).

## TABLE II

# COMPARISON OF BUMPING LAKE PLUTON AND I- AND S-TYPE GRANITOIDS. DEFINITIONS AFTER CHAPPELL AND WHITE (1984), CHAPPELL AND WHITE (1992), AND NORMAN AND OTHERS (1992).



#### CONVECTION

In some magma chambers, viscosity has been shown to be an important process that effects a wide range of physical processes such as magma withdrawal (Spera and others, 1986), melt transport phenomena (Petford and others, 1993), chemical fractionation

(Spera and others, 1982), and chemical zonation (Marsh, 1989). It is the purpose of this section to demonstrate that viscosity plays a fundamental role in determining whether convection can be initiated and maintained in a siliceous magma chamber.

Viscosity is defined as the ratio of shear stress to strain rate. A good approximation for a melt's viscosity may be obtained from major element chemical data using a BASIC program by McBimey and Murase (1984). Using this program, the log of the effective viscosity of the Bumping Lake pluton at 900°C with one millimeter quartz phenocrysts is 10.196 Poise, which is used below in the calculation of the Rayleigh number.

A magma chamber will cool by conduction until the difference in temperature between the part of the chamber that is dissipating heat (assumed to be the chamber roof) and the part of the chamber that is hottest (assumed to be the floor where basalt is injected) reaches a critical value. Assuming Rayleigh-Benard convection, once this critical temperature difference is reached, convection begins. A critical value of the Rayleigh number, Rae, corresponds to the onset of convection, which typically ranges from 500- 2000 (Marsh, 1989). The Rayleigh number is defined as,

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Ra = \frac{\alpha g \Delta T l^3}{\eta K}
$$

where  $\alpha$  is the coefficient of thermal expansion, g is gravitational acceleration,  $\Delta T$  is the temperature difference,  $l$  is length,  $\eta$  is kinematic viscosity, and K is thermal diffusivity. For a given magma chamber, the melt composition has a large effect on Ra<sub>c</sub> because rhyolitic melts are 5-10 orders of magnitude more viscous than basaltic melts. Magmas with

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values of Ra  $\sim 10^{15}$ -10<sup>20</sup> convect vigorously (Spera, 1980), while magmas with values of  $Ra \sim 10^4$  probably do not convect at all (Marsh, 1989).

Simplifying the emplacement process of the Bumping Lake pluton by assuming thermal homogeneity at the time of emplacement allows an approximation of a possible post-emplacement evolutionary path. Immediately following emplacement, the pluton cooled by conduction until the thermal difference between the top and bottom of the pluton reached Rae. Because a temperature difference of only 1°C would have been required for the initiation of convection, the magma probably began to convect immediately after emplacement. Ignoring the increase in viscosity due to crystallization and assuming the base of the chamber had a temperature of about 1200°C (based on temperatures of molten basalt) and the top of the chamber had a temperature of about 850°C (based on Hildreth, 1980), Ra reached a maximum of about  $10<sup>7</sup>$ . This value falls below the range of vigorous convection described by Spera (1980), and suggests that convection in the Bumping Lake pluton, although existent, was weak. If an increase in viscosity with crystallization is factored in, Ra will decrease and therefore decrease the likelihood that the melt convected.

This interpretation can be verified by calculating the Reynolds number, Re, of the magma, which is a measure of a liquid's turbulence and is defined as,

$$
\text{Re} = \frac{\rho v l}{\eta}
$$

where  $\rho$  is density, v is velocity, I is the length of the chamber, and  $\eta$  is the viscosity of the fluid. Less viscous melts such as basalt and basaltic andesite have large

Reynolds numbers and as a result can convect turbulently. Compared to mafic melts, felsic melts are slightly less dense and have viscosities generally  $10^5$  to  $10^{10}$  times greater and therefore lower velocities. Using the parameters calculated for the Rayleigh number, the Re value for the Bumping Lake pluton is on order of  $10^{-9}$ . Based on this value, convection could not have been turbulent and, as the Rayleigh number indicates, was more likely weak.
## PETROGENESIS

Although commonly used in petrogenetic interpretation, variation diagrams have a number of shortcomings. As stated by Clarke (1992) these are: i) major elements suffer from the problem of closure, which make correlations between two elements appear better than they actually are (Chayes, 1960); ii) because variation diagrams are restricted in the number of variables that they show, each diagram must be considered as a small part of the whole, and many diagrams must be considered together to draw any conclusions about evolutionary history; and iii) perfect linear correlations are not always attributable to one cause, and deviations from a trend, although perhaps not understood, are nevertheless significant. However, when used in conjunction with field and petrologic data, variation diagrams can be a powerful tool. The approach of combining field, petrologic, and chemical data to make conclusions about petrogenesis is used in this study of the Bumping Lake pluton.

Strontium is strongly partitioned into plagioclase, and the Sr-CaO diagram confirms plagioclase fractionation (Figure 5). The correlation between Ba and Sr (Figure 6) demontrates the relationship of K-feldspar and plagioclase fractionation. An increase in Ba from the quartz diorite facies to the granite facies indicates that K-feldspar is not being removed with plagiocalse during the early stages of fractionation. A decrease in Ba from the granite facies to the highly fractionated fine granite facies indicates that K-feldspar is being fractionated in these facies. Petrography supports this fractionation history.



Figure 5. Sr vs. CaO. Sr is strongly partitioned into plagioclase, so a decrease in Sr with decreasing CaO indicates that plagioclase fractionation played an important role in the differentiation history of the pluton. Aphanite shown as closed squares, fine granite as closed circles, granite as closed triangles, granodiorite as closed diamonds, and quartz diorite as open squares.

K-feldspar grains are annedral and therefore formed late in the crystallization sequence. The CaO-Na<sub>2</sub>O-K<sub>2</sub>O diagram suggests control of chemical evolution in the pluton by removal of plagioclase (Figure 7).

Zirconium is closely tied with differentiation and in the Bumping Lake pluton, decreases regularly in concentration as  $SiO<sub>2</sub>$  increases (Figure 8). TiO<sub>2</sub> shows a strong positive correlation with Zr (Figure 9), indicating that it also decreases with differentiation. Phosphorus is tied up principally in apatite and monazite, minerals that also appear to decrease modally with differentiation. P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> shows a very strong correlation with dif-



Figure 6. Sr vs. Ba. If K-feldspar continuously fractionated with plagioclase, then a linear correlation between Ba and Sr would exist. Here, Ba increases and then decreases as fractionation progresses. Symbols as in Figure 5.



Figure 7. CNK ternary diagram. Shows that as differentiation progressed, the melt became progressively depleted in CaO and enriched in K<sub>2</sub>O. This indicates the removal of plagioclase, and agrees with the pattern shown in Figure 5. Symbols as in Figure 5.



Figure 8. Zr vs.  $SiO<sub>2</sub>$ . Plot showing a decrease in Zr with increasing  $SiO<sub>2</sub>$ . The scatter shown in the granodiorite and quartz diorite may be attributed to assimilation of host rocks. Symbols as in Figure 5.



Figure 9. Zr vs. TiO<sub>2</sub>. TiO<sub>2</sub> increases as Zr increases, which indicates that it decreases with differentiation. Symbols as in Figure 5.



Figure 10. P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> vs. TiO<sub>2</sub>. P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> shows a very strong correlation with TiO<sub>2</sub>, which agrees with the observation that the accessory minerals apatite and monazite decreased modally with differentiation. Symbols as in Figure 5.

ferentiation (Figure 10), suggesting that its concentration is closely tied to crystal-liquid fractionation processes.

The plot that defines the pluton as peraluminous (Figure 4) also shows a slight decrease in excess alumina with differentiation. When  $SiO<sub>2</sub>$  is replaced with CaO on the x-axis (Figure 11) the trend remains, which indicates the presence of hydrous fluid phases and/or assimilation (Halliday and others, 1981 ). These possibilities may be further tested using K/Rb ratios. High K/Rb ratios are typical of magmatic processes and lower ratios can only be reached by fluid interaction effects (Clarke, 1992). A plot of K<sub>2</sub>0 vs. Rb (Figure 12) shows only high ratios, which indicates that assimilation, not fluid interaction, is responsible for the alumina trend. Evidence for assimilation is present in the field



Figure 11. A/CNK vs. CaO. The slight decrease in excess alumina with decreasing CaO indicates assimilation. Vertical axis as in Figure 4. Symbols as in Figure 5.

as well. Near the intrusive contacts on Nelson Ridge and Highway 410, the pluton crystallized as it actively stoped pieces of country rock. Xenoliths of country rock are large and angular near the contact, but become smaller and more rounded with increasing depth (in some cases over 200 m) into the pluton. Assimilation of country rock may have been more or less continuous throughout the three million year life of the pluton (see Relationship to the Mount Aix caldera, below), and would be expected to effect the chemistry of the pluton.

Rare earth element (REE) patterns in the Bumping Lake pluton (Figure 13) are similar to those of other volcanic arc granites (Pearce and others, 1984). The slope of the chondrite-normalized REE patterns changes from negative in the light rare earth elements (LREE) to nearly flat in the heavy rare earth elements (HREE). As differentiation pro-



Figure 12. K<sub>2</sub>O vs. Rb. High K/Rb ratios as shown here are achieved only by magmatic processes, which indicates that fluid interaction effects were minimal. Symbols as in Figure 5.

gressed in the pluton, LREE were depleted, a negative europium anomaly became more pronounced, and HREE showed no significant change. These trends are similar to those observed by Miller and Mittlefehldt (1982), who concluded that fractionation of LREErich accessories (e.g., allanite or monazite) is responsible for LREE depletion in highly felsic magmas. Accessory minerals tend to decrease in abundance with differentiation in the rocks of the Bumping Lake pluton, which supports the chemical evidence that fractionation of LREE-rich accessories occurred. Fractionation of feldspars is implied by the decrease in Eu/Eu\* (observed Eu divided by Eu value predicted by drawing a straight line between the Sm and Gd values), which supports the evidence drawn from the variation diagrams in the previous section.



Figure 13. REE spider diagram for pluton samples. Note increase in Eu/Eu\* value with differentiation. Symbols as in Figure 4. Normalization values after Nakamura (1974).

# LATE-STAGE, HIGHLY FRACTIONATED LIQUIDS

In modeling externally cooled, crustal magma chambers, researchers have developed a framework for the fractionation of late stage, felsic magmas (e.g., Chen and Turner, 1980; Turner and Gustafson, 1981; Sparks and others, 1985; Nilson and others, 1985; Turner and Campbell, 1986). Field evidence has also been found in granitic plutons for these highly fractionated magmas (e.g., Boden, 1989; Mahood and Cornejo, 1992). The chemistry of the fine-grained granite facies of the Bumping Lake pluton indicates that it was a highly fractionated melt (Figures 5-11). This facies has the highest SiO<sub>2</sub>, K<sub>2</sub>O, and Rb content; the highest Rb/Zr, and Rb/Sr ratios; and the lowest TiO<sub>2</sub>, MgO, P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>, Zr, CaO, and Sr content, all of which indicate evolved composition.

In the field, the fine grained granite cuts the coarse grained granite and granodiorite, and occurs both as 10-30 cm thick tabular bodies and pods ranging from <1 to  $\sim$ 20 m but averaging 1-2 m in diameter. It is unknown whether these pods are discrete bodies or whether they extend some depth into the pluton. On Cougar Lake ridge, the bodies are tabular, horizontal, and spaced at  $-25$  m intervals. A sharp and even contact indicates that the fine granite was emplaced into the coarse granite when the coarse granite had cooled to the point of being brittle. The fine granite probably originated from deep within the pluton where temperatures were still high enough for the melt to be near the liquidus. The melt rose into the coarse granite and filled extensional fractures that existed as a result of cooling contraction, eruptive drawdown, fresh input of magma, faulting, or vapor saturation (Mahood and Cornejo, 1992). On Miners Ridge and Nelson Ridge, however, the fine granite occurs in irregularly shaped pods, which suggests that the host rock was ductile at the time it was intruded. Fine granites distributed throughout the pluton are chemically indistinguishable and were therefore emplaced at or near the same time. The differing contact relationships suggest that the pluton was molten in its southeastern extremity and mostly solid in the northwest at the time of emplacement. The pluton was more active physically and/or thermally for a longer period of time in the southeast.

# SPACIAL VARIATIONS IN CHEMISTRY

Extensive sampling of the pluton revealed some consistent spacial chemical trends. Near the margins of the pluton, weight percent Si02 decreases with increasing elevation, and, therefore, with depth into the pluton (Figures 14 and 15), which is consistent



Figure 14. Elevation vs. SiO<sub>2</sub> in the granite facies on Nelson Ridge.



Figure 15. Elevation vs. SiO<sub>2</sub> in the granite facies near Highway 410.

with the interpretation that andesitic xenoliths were stoped and assimilated into the melt. Samples from Pear Butte Ridge show a weak positive correlation, but because of its low  $r^2$  value (Table III), the correlation is probably not significant. Similarly, samples from American Ridge (Figure 16), Miners Ridge (Figure 17), and Rainier Fork Ridge have such low  $r^2$  values that a variation in SiO<sub>2</sub> with respect to elevation does not exist. Since the intrusive contacts near these five locations are nearly vertical, the plutonic rock there probably represents a deeper level in the pluton where the effects of assimilation are not noticeable .

## TABLE III

### SUMMARY OF REGRESSION DATA FROM ELEVATION VS. Si02 CHARTS



The regions of the pluton that show neither a consistent increase nor decrease in Si02 with elevation may indicate that i) the magma in that part of the chamber was disrupted, possibly by an eruption through a ring fault at the caldera margin; ii) the coarse granite facies did not undergo density stratification, a conclusion similar to Hildreth' s (1981) of the Bishop Tuff magma chamber; iii) these areas have undergone varying degrees of silicification due to local mineralization. The third possibility may be ruled out on the basis that the abundance of mobile elements in samples taken from these regions



Figure 16. Elevation vs. SiO<sub>2</sub> in the granite facies on American Ridge.

are similar to samples from elsewhere in the pluton. It is likely that a combination of i) and ii) is responsible for the distribution pattern of  $SiO<sub>2</sub>$ .

A useful diagram for the interpretation of spacial variations in chemistry is a contour diagram. In this diagram, contour lines connect areas with equal concentrations of a given element. In an Si02 contour diagram (Figure 18), the two areas of the pluton with granodiorite (Nelson Ridge and Highway 410) are represented by low Si02 values. Note the areas of relatively low Si02 to the north and south of American Ridge and the "high" at Miners Ridge. These areas correspond well with the spacial variation of Zr (Figure 19). Areas low in SiO<sub>2</sub> lows are high in Zr highs, and SiO<sub>2</sub> highs are Zr lows, which agrees with the trends defined in the Harker variation diagrams (see Figures 8-11). Figures 18 and 19 show that samples taken from Miners Ridge are highly differentiated.



Figure 17. Elevation vs. SiO<sub>2</sub> in the granite facies on Miners Ridge.

Generally, as differentiation progresses, Zr decreases and Rb increases; therefore, the Rb/Zr ratio should vary systematically. In the case of the Bumping Lake pluton, the variation is not linear , and a two component plot is of little use. When Rb/Zr is plotted as a contour diagram, however, an interpretation is more straight forward (Figure 20). A high Rb/Zr ratio occurs on Miners Ridge at the same location as the Zr low and  $SiO<sub>2</sub>$  high, and two areas of low Rb/Zr also match the Zr and Si02 plots.

These irregularities may indicate different levels in the pluton. The less differentiated areas over American Ridge may represent a lower level in the pluton, which agrees with earlier interpretation of the significance of relatively highly differentiated rocks in this area. Conversely, the highly differentiated area over Miners Ridge may represent a relatively high level of the pluton.



Figure 18. SiO<sub>2</sub> contour map of the granite facies.



Figure 19. Zr contour map of the granite facies.



Figure 20. Rb/Zr contour map of the granite facies.

# MINERALIZATION

Alteration due to the young andesite porphyry intrusion on Miners Ridge likely produced a zone of copper mineralization in the granite facies of Miners Ridge. Alteration in the BLP associated with the rhyolite intrusion on American Ridge was dated at 6.3±0.2 Ma (Armstrong and others, 1976) by K-Ar.

# RELATIONSHIP TO MOUNT AIX CALDERA

The roof of the pluton at its southeast margin is flat, found half way up the western slope of Nelson Ridge, and possibly directly underlies collapse breccia from the caldera. This contact indicates that the pluton projects southeast beneath the Mount Aix caldera. The 28 Ma Bumping River tuff-north (BRTn), 25 Ma Bumping River tuff-east (BRTe), and 25 Ma Cash Prairie tuffs (CPT) (dates from Schreiber, 1981; Vance and others, 1987) are interpreted based on field criteria (Paul E. Hammond, pers. commun., 1994) to have been derived from the caldera. Because these tuffs are quartz-bearing and have a high wt.  $\%$  SiO<sub>2</sub>, their source must also have been highly siliceous. Paul. E. Hammond (pers. commun., 1994) estimates that the cumulative volume of the three tuffs erupted from the Mount Aix caldera exceeds  $100 \text{ km}^3$ , which suggests that an individual eruption was approximately as large as the caldera-forming eruption of Mt. Mazama, Oregon. A caldera typically empties about 10% of its chamber during an eruption (Smith, 1979); therefore, in addition to being highly siliceous, the Mount Aix caldera source must have had a large volume. In the region surrounding the caldera, the Bumping Lake pluton is an obvious and immediate suspect for being the source because it is large, predominantly granitic, a similar age, and is exposed directly beneath the caldera. The Bumping Lake pluton is the only realistic source because no other large, granitic, Oligocene pluton is known within 100 km of the caldera. Establishing a strong chemical and petrologic relationship between the pluton and the tuffs would clinch the argument.

### CHEMICAL RELATIONSHIP

Because a three million year hiatus exists between the eruption of two of the three tuffs, a trace element that is effected by differentiation may chemically distinguish the tuffs. Zr is such an element in that it generally decreases with differentiation, and in this case clearly distinguishes the tuffs from each other. When Zr is plotted against Si02 (Figure 21), Zr appears to follow a normal differentiation trend within and between BRTn and CPT. These two tuffs fall directly on the fields defined by the pluton. BRTe has unusually high Zr for its Si02 values, which may indicate that it represents the least



Figure 21. Chemistry of the Bumping River (BRTn and BRTe) and Cash Prairie tuffs (CPT). For comparison, facies from the pluton are also represented. Circles represent a field in which all samples of a particular facies or tuff plot

differentiated, least evolved, and therefore oldest composition of the magma. BRTn and CPT match plutonic samples with more than just their Zr and Si02 values.

The chemistry of a tuff represents a "snapshot" of a magma chamber's chemistry, so tuffs such as BRTn, BRTe, and CPT may be compared with the pluton by defining a tuff in terms of a mean with a compositional range of two standard deviations. This approach does not suffer from the problems associated with two component variation diagrams because every major and minor element is considered. When the BRTn, BRTe, and CPT are compared to the pluton in this manner, 10 granite samples match BRTn and seven granite and two granodiorite samples match CPT with a 95% confidence interval (Table IV). The BRTe has no equivalent granite sample, but a plutonic equivalent may exist at depth.

### **TABLE IV**



# STATISTICAL CHEMICAL DATA OF THE TUFFS

Based on the LREE patterns (Figure 22), BRTe is the least differentiated, but Eu/Eu\* for this tuff is similar to the others. Its pattern stands slightly apart from BRTn



Figure 22. REE spider plot for the tuff samples. BRTn shown as open circles, BRTe as open triangles, and CPT as open diamonds. Normalization values after Nakamura (1974).

and CPT, but still falls within the range defined by the granitic rocks. CPT has the most variation in its REE values and has the lowest Eu/Eu\*, which suggests that it was derived from the least differentiated magma. Most importantly, the patterns defined by the tuffs mimic those of the pluton (compare Figures 13 and 22), which provides support that the tuffs and the pluton share a cogenetic relationship.

## PETROLOGIC RELATIONSHIP

The Cash Prairie tuff, Bumping River tuff-north, and the Bumping River tuff-east contain quartz and plagioclase phenocrysts, although in slightly varying abundances and sizes. This implies that, when erupted, the magma in the part of the chamber that was

tapped contained phenocrysts of quartz and plagioclase in a molten matrix. It is difficult to tie this observation directly with the plutonic samples because the pluton represent the end product of a chemically and physically dynamic system. However, it is important to note that the granitic samples also contain phenocrysts of quartz and plagioclase only. Although this relationship is far from a convincing argument to support a cogenetic relationship between the tuffs and the pluton, it is important nonetheless because it is not inconsistent with this interpretation.

## IMPLICATIONS

Field, chemical, and petrographic relationships between the Mount Aix derived tuffs and the Bumping Lake pluton indicate that the pluton is the chilled remains of the magma chamber genetically related to the caldera. Establishing this genetic link between eruptive products and source is as rare as it is significant. Typically, researchers must rely on eruptive products alone as a means to model magma chamber processes because the magma chamber is not exposed. Hildreth (1979) states that, "Much of the magmatic record may either be obliterated or rendered ambiguous in granitic rocks themselves." With this statement in mind, the significance of the Bumping Lake pluton with the signature of *two* eruptions preserved at the surface becomes clear. Based on dates of BRTn and CPT, the magma chamber must have been active at least three million years during the period 28 to 25 Ma. Clasts of BRTn occur in CPT and BRTn has an older date, so the eruption that produced BRTn must have preceded that of CPT.

It is significant that a chemical match of the older BRTn can be found in the pluton even though the chamber erupted at least once more to produce the CPT. Therefore, the processes occurring in the pluton after eruption of BRTn were not sufficiently vigorous to homogenize the melt, which eliminates the possibility of vigorous convection. Instead, the chamber was disturbed only enough to mingle the chemistry of the BRTntype magma with a subsequent magma (the difference between mingling and mixing may be thought of in terms of the difference between marbling cake batter and putting a blender in it). This independent line of reasoning concurs with the main conclusion of the section on rheology: convection could not have been turbulent but, if present, was more likely weak.

The vent for the BRTn eruption is located near Bismarck Peak (Hammond and Cole, 1992), so one might hope that the BRTn-type granite is located in the pluton near the vent. However, the BRTn-type granite samples are scattered throughout the pluton (Figure 23). With the exception of one sample, CPT-type samples cluster in the eastern part of the pluton on Nelson Ridge. The BRTn-type samples are scattered as a result of activity prior to the eruption of CPT, and to an extent, the eruption of CPT itself. Because the BRTn-type samples are found interspersed with samples that have no known extrusive equivalent, the BRTn-type magma probably mingled with one or more later batches of magma before the eruption of CPT. Also, because the distribution of CPT-type plutonic samples is confined to the southern part of the pluton, little to no convective or eruptive activity followed the eruption of CPT. Instead, the pluton probably crystallized without interruption.

Evidence that significant crystallization did not occur between the eruption of BRTn and CPT is: i) the BRTn-type granite is texturally and modally identical to the CPT-type samples; ii) BRTn-type granite is widely scattered throughout the pluton; iii) smooth chemical gradients exist in the pluton between BRTn-type granite and CPT-type granite. Internal diffusion, a process that requires a liquid phase for a high diffusion coefficient (Hanson, 1978; Hildreth, 1981), may be responsible for these smooth gradients.

The tuff that doesn't match any samples in the pluton, BRTe, has much more Zr relative to Si02 than BRTn and CPT. The chemistry of BRTe indicates that it is much less differentiated than the other tuffs. Therefore, BRTe probably erupted before both BRTn and CPT. Age dates indicate that BRTe erupted after BRTn, but before CPT. If



Figure 23 Location of granite samples that chemically match tuffs from the Mount Aix caldera.

these dates are accurate, then one must explain why the chemistry of both the BRTn and CPT were clearly preserved in the pluton, while the chemistry of BRTe was not. Assuming the dates are accurate, I propose that the chemistry of BR Te is preserved either beneath the caldera fill that covers the pluton in the southeast or at a deeper level in the pluton to the northwest of the caldera. In order to solve the apparent discrepancy between the chemistry and age date, a new date of BRTe should be obtained.

The vent that produced the older BRTn is preserved near Bismarck Peak. This vent is characterized by breccia margins and vertical flow structures shown by clast alignments (Paul E. Hammond, pers. commun., 1994). A sample taken from the region of vertical flow structures chemically matches the BRTn statistical population with a confidence interval of 67%. The CPT is younger than the BRTn, and since the BRTn vent is preserved, one would hope that the CPT vent would also be preserved. No other vents have been identified within the caldera margin east of the pluton. However, the caldera margin extends westward over the pluton, and the CPT may have vented in this area. Because all but one CPT-type granite samples are found in the eastern part of the pluton on Nelson ridge, the eruption that produced the CPT probably vented in this area. If this is the case, then the extrusive expression of this vent has been destroyed by erosion and by a younger intrusion of porphyritic andesite.

A possible eruptive history of the Bumping Lake pluton and Mount Aix caldera is as follows. At some point during its differentiation history, the granitic intrusion vented to the surface (possibly driven by injection of hot basalt at depth), which produced the BRTn (Figure 24a). The magma at that point was the BRTn-type magma, and had a



Figure 24 Schematic evolution of the pluton and caldera. The shaded regions are meant to represent regions dominated by BRTe-type magma, and CPT-type magma rather than regions composed entirely of that magma type. See text for discussion.

chemical signature identical to BRTn. Over time, fractionation continued, but the BRTntype magma was preserved in the intrusion. A second eruption produced the BRTe. This eruption may have been localized in the southeastern region of the caldera. The chamber to the northwest was probably physically disturbed by the event causing the BRTn-type magma to mingle with more fractionated magma (Figure 24b ). This process was repeated with the eruption of the CPT (Figure 24c). After eruption of CPT, the intrusion crystallized and erosion exposed the complex approximately to the extent shown in Figure 24d.

### FURTHER WORK

Because of the size of the pluton and the complexity of its relationship to surrounding rocks, this study was not able to cope with every aspect of the pluton. Listed below are several of the most imporant and interesting of the questions this study raised.

1) Complete isotope work on flows from vents that cut through the Bumping Lake pluton to determine if BLP extends vertically with depth or if the pluton is tabular. If the plutons extends vertically, what is the contribution of the pluton to the chemical signature of the flows in terms of contamination and assimilation? If the pluton is tabular, then the additional information about the shape of the pluton could be used in convection models.

2) Complete isotope work on the pluton to determine source material and to verify crustal contamination.

3) Study in detail the relationship between the stoped xenoliths near the intrusive contacts, the pluton, and the host rock. Exploring the effect of assimilation on the chemistry of the pluton, and the effect of assimilating xenoliths into the pluton would be a meaningful contribution to understanding magma chamber processes.

4) Fluid inclusion work could be done on quartz phenocrysts in the tuffs and quartz from the chemically matching granite to support the link between source rock and eruptive product.

### CONCLUSIONS

The source of the Bumping Lake pluton is a heterogeneous region of metasedimentary and metavolcanic rocks. Room was probably made in the shallow crust by a \_ transtensional stress regime. Stoping of the host rock occurred in the upper level of the pluton, but its contribution to making room for the pluton was probably minimal. On a small scale, the location of the pluton may have been influenced by an anticline in the host rock and pre-existing structures in the Rimrock Lake inlier.

Granodiorite and quartz diorite formed only at the intrusive contact as a result of assimilation of the host rock. During emplacement, the magma vented at least three times, possibly as a result of injections of fresh, volatile-rich basalt at the base of the chamber. During these tuff-producing eruptions, differentiation processes such as plagioclase and accessory mineral fractionation were constantly acting. The first eruption produced the BRTe: a highly siliceous, relatively undifferentiated tuff. After an unknown period of time, a second eruption produced the highly siliceous, highly fractionated BRTn from a vent near Bismarck Peak. A three million year eruptive hiatus followed, during which the magma may have weakly convected, but not thoroughly mixed. The hiatus was broken by an eruption of the CPT, which is the least siliceous tuff, and is less fractionated than BRTn. The final eruption disrupted the magma chamber so that the BRTn-type magma mingled, but not mixed, with the CPT-type magma.

Crystallization ensued and preserved this intermingled structure. During the crystallization process, an extremely fractionated, mafic poor granite filled extensional cooling fractures where the pluton was brittle, and mingled with the pluton where still ductile. Further cooling completely crystallized the pluton.

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### APPENDIX A

# ANALYTICAL METHODS

A total of 154 samples were collected for this study, 138 of which were chemically analyzed and 12 representative samples were studied petrographically. The samples were chipped at Portland State University, and then sieved using a plastic 0.25 inch mesh. The chips were sorted and only those chips with no weathered surfaces were kept. Samples were brought to Washington State University's GeoAnalytical Laboratory in Pullman, Washington and prepared for X-ray fluorescence (XRF) and inductively coupled plasma - mass spectrometry (ICP-MS) according to the procedure outlined by Hooper and others, 1993, and then analyzed. Because tungsten carbide crushing bowls were used, samples were contaminated with tungsten, cobalt, tantalum, and less than two ppm niobium. Tungsten, cobalt, and tantalum are not analyzed by XRF so contamination of these elements can be ignored. Niobium concentrations may be used because instrumental precision of XRF is not high enough to detect the contamination. However, due to the high precision of the ICP-MS method, niobium and tantalum contamination can be detected, and these elements are therefore ignored.


# APPENDIX $\mathbf B$









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# APPENDIX C

### ICP-MS RESULTS

