Water drum recon in 2015 by Ron Harris (contract prospector)

Nov 14, 2015 Ron's notes on Waterdrum

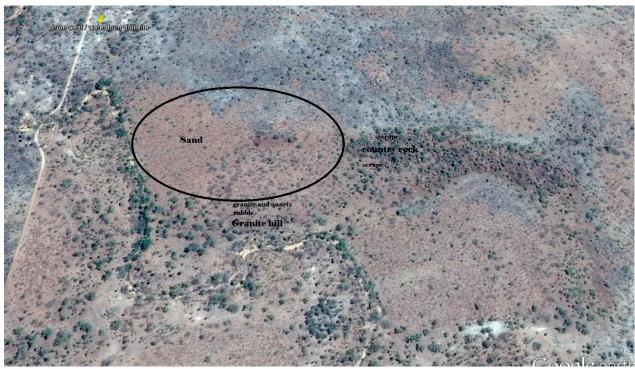
Hi Jim,

I did manage to get to Waterdrum but not a lot of luck. We have had a lot of rain south of Adelaide River, laying everywhere. I drove along the fence line and then walked in. A few sloppy patches on the way and nearly turned back a couple of times.

And yes the grass made it very awkward to see much. The hill on the east side of photo is just ordinary country rock, very little in the way of quartz or much else. There were two fairly long scrapes down the side of the hill that I could see, and the rubble extends about 50 m.

The granite hill was more interesting. Quite of lot of quartz interspersed on the northern side and the granite/quartz rubble extends about 100 m, which is where I took the photos. Could not find any good photographic rocks of gossanous nature. The north side of this granite hill was where I had seen the dark brown liquid (iron & manganese ground water staining?) running out of the hill; it had stained some of the rocks and tree roots almost black for five or ten metres but I could not locate it in the high grass. In front of this hill (north) towards the drill site was just sand so I don't know what is there.

Satellite Images & Rock Photos by Ron Harris



Satellite Image over part of Waterdrum tenement. Note granite hill is a field term used by a prospector. Actual rock type is yet to be confirmed.

New Waterdrum - Quartz veins near centre of NW Sub Block

Photos by Ron Harris (November 2015)



Photo 1: Coarsely crystalline, high temperature white quartz veins with moderate ferruginous material (limonite) in fractures and coating the exposed surfaces.



Photo 2: As above: Coarsely crystalline, high temperature white quartz vein with moderate ferruginous material (limonite) in fractures and weak coating on the exposed surfaces.



Photo 3: "Bull Quartz" – high temperature, coarsely crystalline white quartz with only trace limonite in fractures (possibly exotic/secondary limonite from ground water).