# INITIAL SURVEY OF IRON SAND, AT THE MALANG, PEJAGRAN & KEBURUHAN VILLAGES, NGOMBOL SUBDISTRICT, PURWOREJO REGENCY, CENTRAL JAVA PROVINCE

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#### **ABSTRACT**

Initial Survey of iron sand Including geological mapping and shallow drilling (which only 10 meter penetration), this activity is a pilot project of PT. Karya Buana Abadi as the fander and trusted to geological engineering department survey team of Padjadjaran University Bandung and used Q Muria Swasindo flag as permission letter keeper from Purworejo Regency.

Iron sand resources which fand in research area was rich, start from the surface of the soik to the bottom of shallow drilling, from its 50 Ha area there are 14 million ton deposit of iron sandwhich in the future wilk sold to Korea for industrial need.

Keywords: iron sand, deposit

#### **ABSTRAK**

Survey bahan galian pasir besi meliputi pemetaan geologi dan pemboran dangkal (hanya sampai 10 meter penetrasi), dan kegiatan ini oleh pihak PT. Karya Buana Abadi sebagai pemrakarsa dipercayakan kepada Tim Survey Fakultas Teknik Geologi Universitas Padjadjaran Bandung dengan memakai bendera Q Muria Swasindo sebagai pemegang izin dari Kabupaten Purworejo.

Sumberdaya pasir besi yang terdapat di daerah penelitian sangat berlimpah mulai dari permukaan tanah sampai ke dasar pemboran masih dijumpai deposit ini, dari luas areal 50 Hektar terdapat 14 juta Ton deposit pasir besi yang kelak akan dijual kepada pihak Korea untuk keperluan industri.

Kata kunci: pasir besi, endapan

#### INTRODUCTION

Survey team have an opportunity to execute the Initial Survey of iron sand deposit in the region of Purworejo Regency. Iron sand in this area genetically is the coastal alluvium in the surface deposit from Holocene age contain of loose material of sand from well sorted to medium sorted.

Purpose of this Initial Survey is to ensure the existence of iron sand deposit and its distribution both lateral and vertical, and the goal is to gain 50Ha long view of the iron sand mining area that located less than 200 meters from off the coast of the Indian Ocean with another areas that indicates the existence of iron sand deposit in the region of villages included in Ngombol sub district of Purworejo regency.

Research areas are located in Malang village, Pejagran village, and Keburuhan village at Ngombol Sub district of Purworejo Regency Middle Java Province. Research areas could reached from Jakarta with a flight to Yogyakarta for about 1 hour and continued with four wheel drive for about 2 hours in a swift road, or using four wheel drive for about 7 hours from Bandung straight to the research location.

#### 1. Regional Geologic

Iron sand in this area genetically is the coastal alluvium in the surface deposit from Holocene age contain of loose material of sand from well sorted to medium sorted.

#### 2. Basic Theory

#### A. Hematite (Fe2O3)

The existence of hematite commonly in layered form, and the forming processes still a controversial for a geologist, is it formed by metamorphic processes or by sedimentation processes.

Depositional type of hematite can be classified:

- 1. BHJ (Basic Hematite Jas-per). It was layers between hematite and jasper show-ed by intervals of black layer from hematite and red layer from jasper.
- 2. BHQ (Basic Hematite Quartzite). It was layers between hematite and quartz showed by intervals of dark red-black layer from hematite and white layer from quartz.

Distributions of hematite type are usually wide, because it was a continued layer. Hematite characteristics are:

- Mineral and the most abundant ore of iron
- Composed of ferric oxide, Fe2O3
- Contains 69,9 % Fe
- Hematite occurs in rhombohedral crystal, called specular Iron in massive formations, and in earthy forms, called red ocher.
- The crystals are trans-lucent, range in color from dark gray to black, and have a brilliant metallic luster; the earthy varieties are lusterless and red.
- The hardness ranges from 5.5 to 6.5 and the specific gravity from 4.2 to 5.25.
- Hematite is a constituent of a number of abrasives and pigment.

#### B. Magnetite (Fe3O4)

Forming processes commonly because of its association with an igneous rock both by intrusion or lava flow, so the distribution wasn't really wide (Local area). It was usually with massif structure and dark color. We have to mention about phosphor contain in iron ore, this would affect the quality of iron ore in its use. A good iron ore is the one which contain phosphor less than 0.05%. concentration will affect the quality of the steel as a product. The more iron ore contain phosphor, the more brittle

the steel. In determination the iron ore concentration we use labora-tory analysis of chemistry. Magnetite characteristics are:

- Composition Fe3O4
- Contains 72.4 % Fe
- It occurs as a strong natural magnet known as lodstone and crystallizes in the isometric system.
- Usually in granular masses but frequently in octahedral crystals.
- Iron black and opaque, with a metallic luster.
- It has a hardness of 5.5 to 6.5 and a specific gravity of 5.18. From explanation above we can see that iron ore which come from Precambrian and Silurian won't contain phosphor, because there was no living creature produce phosphor. Whereas the devonian iron ore to recent, it contain phosphor from bones of living creature.

#### **Iron Sand Deposit**

Sand deposits which contain mostly by minerals of iron ore, like Magnetite (Fe3O4), commonly found with another heavy mineral like Zircon, Rutile, Hematite, and also mafic mineral (Pyroxene, Hornblende).

#### **METHOD OF INVESTIGATION**

#### The Equipments

Tools and material used in our research, i.e.:

- 1. Regional Geologic Map of Kebumen, Java, by S. Asikin, A. Handoyo, H. Busono dan S. Gafoer, (1992)
- 2. Indonesian Digital Geomorphology Map Sheet 1408-124 Ngombol Scale 1:25000 by Bakosurtanal, Jakarta, (1998)
- 3. Brunton Geologic Compass
- 4. Suunto type compass
- 5. Geologic hammer
- 6. Loupe
- 7. Power rig type of drill machine with Honda engine 5,5 Pk

- 8. Water machine for water flushing Sanchin type 60
- 9. Water machine for water sully Sanchin type 45
- 10. Pick up for field activity transportation
- 11. Global Positioning System (GPS) type GPS map 60 Garmin
- 12. Laptop
- 13. 5m and 200m roll meters
- 14. Tarpaulin/Canvas size 4x6, and 6x8
- 15. Hand specimen pouch
- 16. Shovel or crowbar
- 17. Machete
- 18. Permanent felt-tip marker
- 19. Writing tools
- 20. Etc

## Geologic Mapping and Shallow Drilling Methods

Geological mapping done determine the distribution of iron sand outcrop laterally and every outcrop descript especially thickness of the iron sand and then we get the hand specimen to be taken to laboratory to be analyzed with channeling (chemical analysis). Shallow drilling used drill machine power rig type with 5,5 Pk (HP) and 4m length tripod, drilling processes only reach 10m deep using water flushing and wind blasting every 2m deep so the iron sand in that level come out to the surface and homogeny blended and take the hand specimen in every 2m deep for about 2kg in 2 sack for every exemplar, one for chemical analysis in laboratory and another one for draft of the company so if someday they have doubt for the first chemical analysis they could compare it with the former result of laboratory analysis.

#### **RESULT AND ANALYSIS**

#### **Geological Mapping**

Geological mapping execute in three locations, corn field in Malang village for about 50ha wide and block of Keburuhan village for about 5ha wide. Research focused in iron sand outcrop that measurable in thickness and could be taken for a sample with channeling for chemical analysis in laboratory to determine iron (Fe) concentration.

Iron sand around research area distributed equally in every location and found no present of soil or humus, in macroscopic view iron sand seems colored black, from fine sand to medium sand with angular to sub angular shape and well sorted to medium sorted.

Coastal geomorphology with terrace alluvium about 30m height and they lay along west to east shore. Part of its land has become crops, and another part becomes dry season crops like corn field, red pepper, watermelon, and squash.

#### **Shallow Drilling**

Shallow drilling for about 10m deep execute in Mangan village block on 8 spot, 1 spot in the corn field, and another 1 spot in Keburuhan village. We take the hand specimen in every 2m deep for chemical analysis in laboratory to determine iron (Fe) concentration. Shallow drilling used drill machine power rig type with 5,5 Pk, Sanchin 45 and centrifugal pump for water supply.

We used water flushing to pump out iron sand to surface, and there is no use of drill point/bit, so we just use drill bar/rod in every deep measurement then we did the wind blasting of flushing water, and for shield the upper drill hole wall we did casing drill 89mm so there will not any blending with another sand material above.

Profil Area 1 = 12,882 M<sup>2</sup>
Profil Area 2 = 6,686 M<sup>2</sup>
Profil Area 3 = 6,928 M<sup>2</sup>
Specific gravity of iron sand = 1.85

Deposit 1 between Profil 1 and Profil 2  $12.882 + 6.686 \text{ M}^2 \times 280 \text{ M} \times 1.85 = 5,068,112 \text{ Ton}$ 

Deposit 2 between Profil 2 and Profil 3  $\frac{6.686 + 6.928 \text{ M}^2}{2} \times 420 \text{ M} \times 1.85 = 5,289,039 \text{ Ton}$ 

Total deposit at Malang = 10,357,151Ton for area 35 Ha For area 50 Ha = (50/35) x 10,357,151 Ton = 14,795,930 Ton

#### **Quality Analysis**

Iron sand quality determine by iron concentration which contained in sand, and titanium concentration as minor content, and also magnetite and hematite in major amount.

#### A. Chemycal Analysis

Chemycal analysis execute in CCIC laboratory Jakarta, which are tristed and guaranted for iron trading company and iron sand mining company from China and Korea.

From 10 drill hole @ 10 meters which execute in research area there are variated concentration of iron from chemical analysis in range 4.68 to 24.43 which both found on KBA 10 0-2 meters, and KBA 10 2-4 meters Block of Keburuhan village Ngombol Subdistrict of Purworejo regency, and another variation with 11 % concentration to 19 % (see appendix PT. CCIC Report of Analysis, Jakarta)

#### **B. Petrography Analysis**

Petrography agnalysis result execute in TEKMIRA (Mineral and Coal Development Technology Research Center) wich samples are taken from 4 drill hole, i.e. KBA 1, KBA 4, KBA 9, and KBA 10swhowns of magnetite minerals existence variation from 29.04 % to 40.973 % appendix TEKMIRA analysis). Because the deposit of iron amount concentration and magnetite very variated. So, in this location found some chanells when deposit of coastal alluvium formed. So, when there is a chanell there must be contain iron and magnetite in large amount and when

there is no chanell there must be contain just a little mount of iron and magnetite. As for potention of coastal alluvium deposit widely apread along Purworejo regency.

## C. Mining Development Analysis Corelation of Development and Environment

Activity planning can not be separated from National Development planning hierarchy wich determined in statute number 25/2004. Statute number 25, 2004 year, Development Planning grouped into 3 phase:

- Long Term Phase (25 years)
- Medium Term Phase (5 years)
- Short Term Phase (1 years)

As for result of Landscape Planning grouped into 3 main part, i.e. :

- National Territory Landscape Planning (NTLSP)
- Province Territory Lanscape Planning (PTLSP)
- Regency Territory Landscape Planning (RTLSP)

The third planning (RTLSP) has to be supported with detailed research so continued development issue will provide. Human desire for a better life have to be expressed in development plans. That plans including housing. Trade and Industry, mining, agriculture, transportation and many others.

### CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATION

#### **Conclusion**

- Morphology in research area is coastal alluvium that have been uplifted, so the alluvium had been formed into tereace and reached up to 30 meters elevation.
- 2. For about 50 Hectare mining area, there are deposit of iron sand of about **14,795,930 Ton** amout.
- 3. Iron sand qualityfrom chemical analysis shown maximum iron concentration to 24.43 % and

- petrogrqaphy analysis contaqin magnetite to 40.973 %.
- 4. Iron sand mining in research area can be executed with open mining method and so from statute of mining venture because there are no living object and civilian plantation.

#### Recomendation

- We have to made reserve account of detailed topography, because the alluvium had been formed into coastal terrace, so the area avent flat anymore.
- 2. Use drill system of 25 meters or 50 meters grid, to determine iron sand reserve with cut of grid system.
- Land acquittal of local civilian can be negociate, because the local community hope they can resolved and rise economical matter with this iron sand mining.

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Tabel 1. Limitation or limiting criteria in analysis development of mining business.

Factor of Limitation	Criteria		Remarks
Reservation Area		*	Refer to Law
Area wich reserve to bellow that area			No. 24 year
Resapan Air			1992
Lereng	➤ 100 m distance	*	Refers to
Ketinggian	➤ 40% slope		Presidential
	1000 mdpl elevation		Decree 32 of
<ul> <li>Local Anspices Area</li> </ul>			1999
Coastal parallel	> 50 – 100m distance		Referring
River parallel	200 m distance	*	To the
Spring area	➤ 100 m distance	***	
Natural and Cultural Reservation Area			Regulation on
Nature Reservation			RUTRD /
➤ Wood	Out of those area		RTRW
Mangrove		*	Material
➤ Forest			Development
Cultural and Science			Goals
Special Reservation Area			quarrying C in
> Magisterate	Out of those area		a protected
<ul> <li>Defence and Safety Department</li> </ul>	0 41 01 111000 41104		area must
<ul> <li>❖ Critical area of hazard</li> </ul>			have an
> Erossion	Out of those area		agreement.
> Floodplain	Out of those area		agreement.
❖ Hidrology			
→ River	Not interfere the river body		
Rivei			
	recentled and quanty and		
	quantity of water source		
	<ul><li>Not interfere drainage pattern</li><li>&lt; 1.5 m from river base</li></ul>		
Carias	Not interfere river geometric		
> Spring	Not interfere spring resources		
Topography	Name and April 400/ (00 a)		
Slope	Non compacted rock 40%, (22o).		
	Example : clay, sand, bentonite		
	etc.		
	Compacted rock 100 % (45o).		
	example : limestone, etc.		
	➤ Elevation more than 1000 above		
> Elevation	sea level		
❖ Land Use	05 "		
Settlement Area	➤ 25 m distance		
Production Fores Area	➤ 100 m distance from road		
❖ Fasility			
Road	50 m dictance from village road		
	100 m distance from regency and		
	province road.		
	200 m distance from country road		
	and railway.		
Bridge	500 m distance upstream and		
	1000 m distance downstream		
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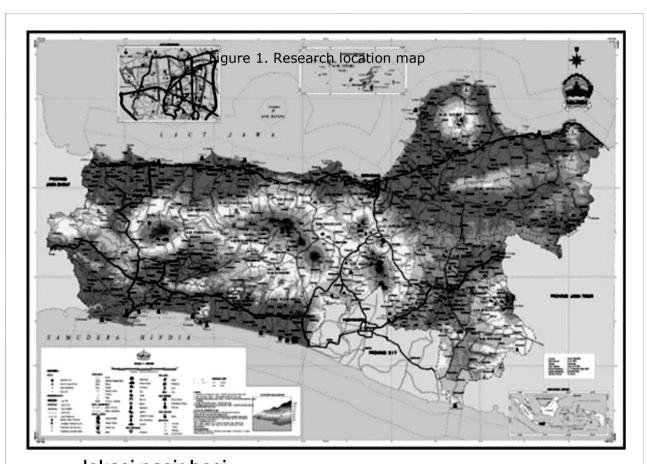
Tabel 2. Separation Minerals of Magnetic Characteristic

Sample	Magnetic	Non	Total	(%)	(%)		
Code	Weight	magnetic	weight	Magnetic	Non	Volume	Specific
	(gr)	weight	(gr)	weight	Magnetic	Cm3	gravity
		(gr)		(MD)	weight		(BJ)
KBA-1	7,447	17,628	25,675	29,004	68,658	14,896	1,72
KBA-4	8,151	18,084	26,235	31,069	69,930	14,896	1,76
KBA-9	8,604	17,433	26,037	33,040	66,954	14,896	1,74
KBA-	11,355	16,309	87,664	40,973	58,953	14,896	1,85
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Note:

MD - Magnetic Degree

Sparation with magnetic = 200 gauss



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Figure 1. Research location map

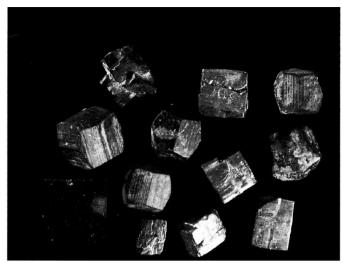


Figure 2. The hematite particle

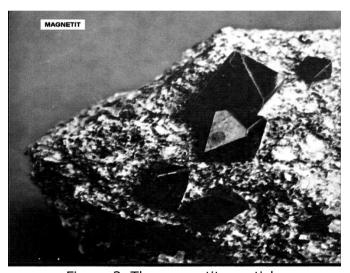


Figure 3. The magnetite particle



Figure 4. The power rig unit

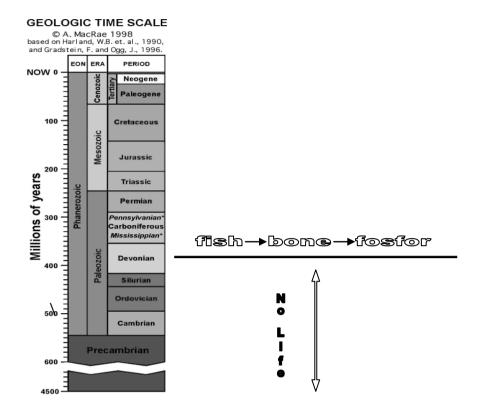


Figure 5. Geologic time scale

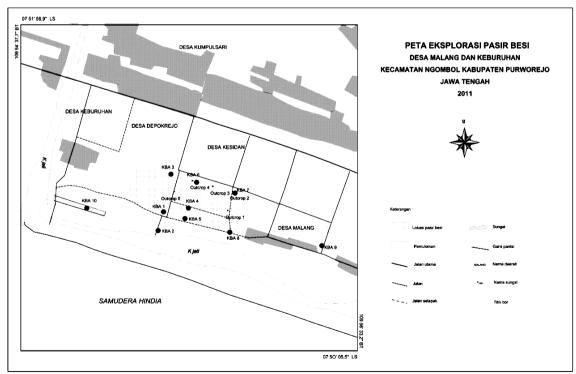


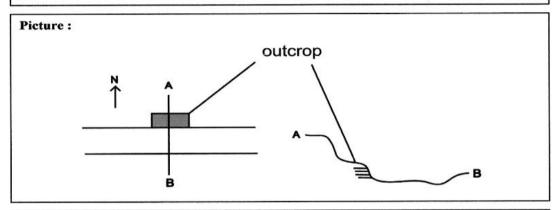
Figure 6. Iron sand exploration map

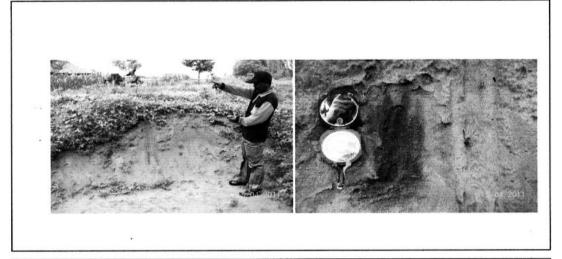
#### **Outcrop Log**

Coordinate: 109°55'48,5" E 07°51'11,3" S No

Date : Friday , April 15<sup>th</sup> 2011 Location : Desa Malang Strike/dip: -

: 09.23 AM Time





#### Description:

Color of sand: black, grain shape subrounded - rounded, fine sand - very fine sand, these sand have the same grain size.

Figure 7. Outcrop-1 at Desa Malang

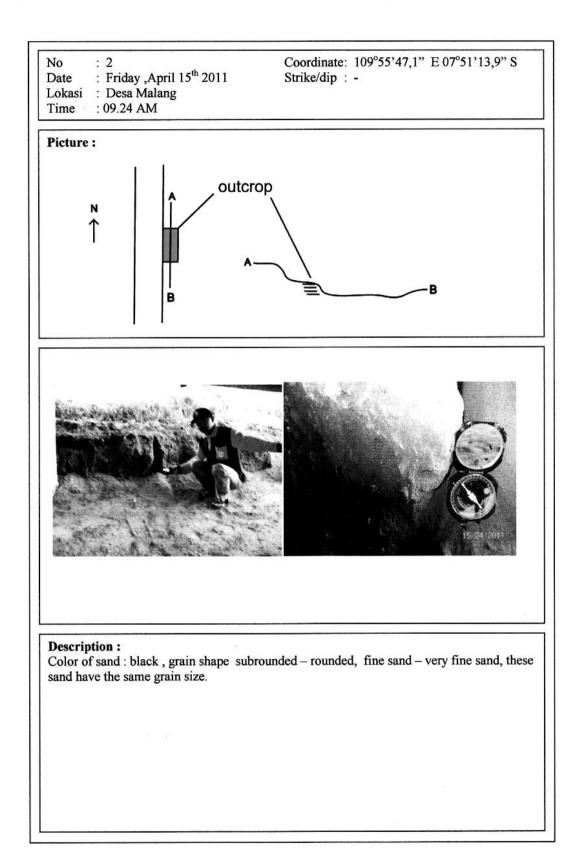


Figure 8. Outcrop-2 at Desa Malang

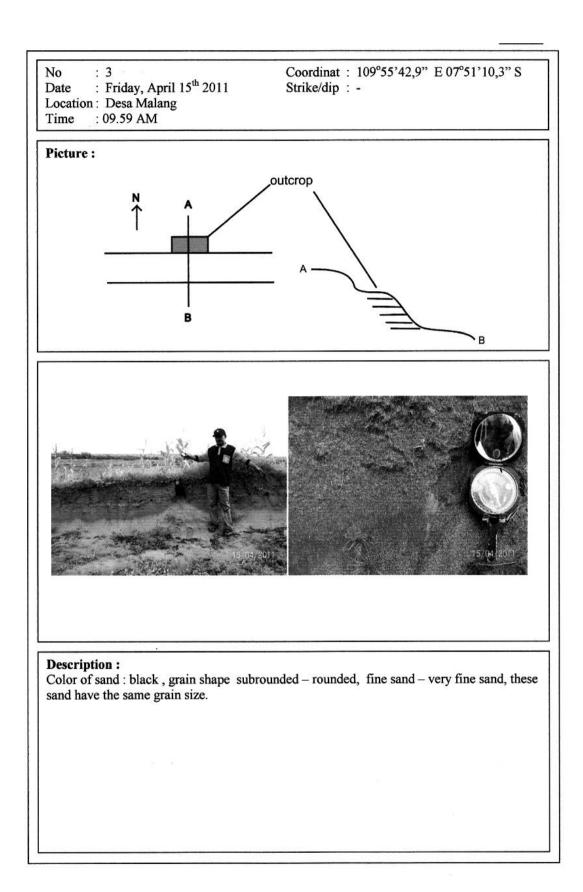


Figure 9. Outcrop-3 at Desa Malang

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#### **DRILL HOLE LOG**

Bor Hole: KBA 1			Start Date : April 9, 2011				
Coord	Coordinate: X: 109 <sup>0</sup> 55' 26,4'' Stop date: April 11, 2011						
Y: 07 <sup>0</sup> 51' 09,5" Z: 37 m				Machine Type : Power Rig Wellsite : Ryan Akbar Fadhilah			
		Z: 3/1	n		wellsite :	Ryan Akbar Fadilian	
		Sample Code	Lithology		Description		
Start	To						
0	2	KBA 1 0-2			3	Color of sand black – brown, fine sand – very fine sand, grains shape subrounded – rounded, these sand have the same grain size. mafic mineral $\pm$ 60%, felsic mineral $\pm$ 40%.	18.81
2	4	KBA 1 2-4				Color of sand black – brown, fine sand – very fine sand, grains shape subrounded – rounded, these sand have the same grain size. mafic mineral ± 60%, felsic mineral ± 40%.	15.61
4	6	KBA 1 4-6				Color of sand black – brown, fine sand – very fine sand, grains shape subrounded – rounded, these sand have the same grain size. mafic mineral ± 60%, felsic mineral ± 40%.	11.92
6	8	KBA 1 6-8		A CONTRACTOR OF THE PARTY OF TH		Color of sand black – brown, fine sand – very fine sand, grains shape subrounded – rounded, these sand have the same grain size. mafic mineral ± 60%, felsic mineral ± 40%.	12.63
8	10	KBA 1 8-10				Color of sand black – brown, fine sand – very fine sand, grains shape subrounded – rounded, these sand have the same grain size. mafic mineral ± 60%, felsic mineral ± 40%.	11.52

Figure 10. Log of drill hole