

MEET TEAM BIG ROCK

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FIELD MAPPING



CORE LOGGING



DATA & REPORTS



HOW I BECAME A **GEO**

I've had a love for the outdoors since childhood so I pursued a career that wouldn't keep me stuck behind a desk. At Winona State University I took my first mineralogy class and immediately got hooked on geoscience. My professional field experience started with major projects in South Dakota's Black Hills determining the deformation style of Proterozoic rocks, and in Southeastern Minnesota performing rock mass rating for sedimentary rocks used in engineering buildings, structures, and mines.

"I DON'T CARE WHAT THE MODEL IS... I'M FINDING **GOLD.**"

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FAVORITE PROJECT

### SASKATCHEWAN, CA



58.446°N 108.332°W  
100,000 square kilometers  
'Canadian Shield'



ATHABASCA BASIN

FAVORITE HOBBIES WHEN I'M NOT STUDYING ROCKS:



WOOD WORKING



BEER



ROAD TRIPS



SCUBA DIVING



**FAST FACT:** Athabasca Basin currently supplies **20%** of global uranium

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