

(Figure 2: The above gold nuggets, some partially encased in rock matrix, were recovered from a 7,143 kg bulk sample, KX157, from Comet Well. Blue gridlines are 5 mm. Nuggets range in size from about 3 mm to 2 cm. In spite of two stages of crushing, most appear intact and relatively unscathed retaining their characteristic flattened melon seed appearance, a clear indication of a water-worn alluvial origin. Finegrained "halo" gold particles are observed around nuggets partially encased in rock matrix similar to that observed around nuggets recovered from Purdy's Reward.)