

## PREFACE

The Geological Survey is pleased to present *Current Research 2006*, a summary of research carried out over the past year. This is our 33<sup>rd</sup> year of publishing an annual account of our project activities, from the extended abstracts of 1974's *Report of Activities* to this volume's more extensive articles on new or ongoing field studies. Throughout, we have supported or partnered with researchers at other geoscience organizations, especially those at the Geological Survey of Canada and Memorial University of Newfoundland. This volume is no different.

Research papers are grouped herein according to their main focus, such that we have, for example, Andy Kerr on gold in the Sop's Arm area under Mineral Deposits, Shirley McCuaig on glacial deposits in the Gander Lake - Gambo area under Terrain Sciences, and Brian O'Brien on a fold-and-thrust belt near Lake Bond under Regional Geology. Other activities are covered under General Topics, including Catherine Patey's and Cindy Saunders' update on documents and databases at the Geological Survey. Also this year, we have a Discussion and Reply on aspects of deglaciation in western Newfoundland.

As for the past five years, *Current Research* can be downloaded, paper by paper, via the Survey's web site. The entire volume may also be purchased for a nominal fee on CD or on a cost-recovery basis as a laser-printed hard copy. Whatever method of acquisition you choose, we trust you will find the information useful to your own pursuits, and encourage you to follow up on any topic of interest with the appropriate geoscientist.

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Any reader who would like to write a rebuttal to, or discussion of, any report contained in this volume is invited to submit it to the editor by November 1, 2006, to be considered for inclusion in Report 2007-1.