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JoAnne Nelson

JoAnne served a distinguished 31 year career as a project geologist with the BCGS. Her primary area of expertise is the tectonics and metallogeny of the Cordillera of northern British Columbia, developed through 3 decades of detailed field studies throughout the region, from the Rocky Mountains through the inner accreted terranes (Yukon-Tanana, Quesnellia, Stikinia) to the Insular terranes of the coast. She has also developed expertise in aspects of the tectonic evolution of the BC-Yukon-Alaskan Cordillera as a whole. Her most recent project (2013-2017) involved structural and geochronological studies of the Mesozoic porphyry belt of the Golden Triangle.

She is the recipient of the 2016 Gold Pick Award from the Kamloops Exploration Group, a 2016 Special Tribute from Association for Mineral Exploration BC, and the 2017 Canadian Provincial/Territorial Geologist of the Year Medal; and toured across Canada as the 2019 Howard Street Robinson Lecturer.