

Re: Geology Question (KRS related)

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"Eric Stevens" <eric.stevens@xxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
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> On Wed, 1 Feb 2006 17:37:33 -0500, "Steve Marcus"
> <smarcus_spamout_@xxxxxxx> wrote:
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> --- snip ---
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>>The KRS was discovered buried in soil that one might safely predicate was
>>a
>>bit "swampy" or "boggy"; that condition was used to support consideration
>>of
>>Runestone Hill as fitting the term "island" which appears on the KRS.
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> Aren't you jumping to a conclusion here? The runestone was found on
> the side of a hill of 'glacial till'. Somebody (Daryl?) has already
> pointed out that the term 'glacial till' covers a wide range of
> possible materials but I am not aware that anyone has suggested that
> the particular site ever was swampy or boggy. As far as I know, the
> description of swampy/boggy has been applied to the conditions at the
> foot of the hill but not the hill itself.

LOL. Wasn't the argument that the hill was "this island" (as which is how the inscription reads) because the land is boggy and swampy? Assuming that the hill was not swampy or boggy, doesn't a rigorous analysis demand comparison of below ground samples from the Maine tombstones with the KRS? The authors seemed to think so since they clearly intended to take such samples. They state that they did not do so because of a pH difference in the soil between the Maine and Minnesota locations. If that's the case, isn't the reader entitled to know what that pH difference was, and why it impacted the originally intended comparison??

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>>Do I
>>conclude from your post that burying a stone in swampy or boggy conditions
>>would not accelerate the weathering of biotite so as to impart a "200 year
>>old appearance" to, let's say, a 100 year old inscription that had been
>>buried for 50 years?

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> Eric Stevens
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Steve

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