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ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF MINES AND MINERAL RESOURCES FILE DATA

PRIMARY NAME: BLACK DIAMOND

ALTERNATE NAMES:

SANTA CRUZ COUNTY MILS NUMBER: 217B

LOCATION: TOWNSHIP 20 N RANGE 15 E SECTION 28 QUARTER SE LATITUDE: N 31DEG 39MIN 21SEC LONGITUDE: W 110DEG 49MIN 39SEC TOPO MAP NAME: MT WRIGHTSON - 15 MIN

CURRENT STATUS: EXP PROSPECT

COMMODITY:

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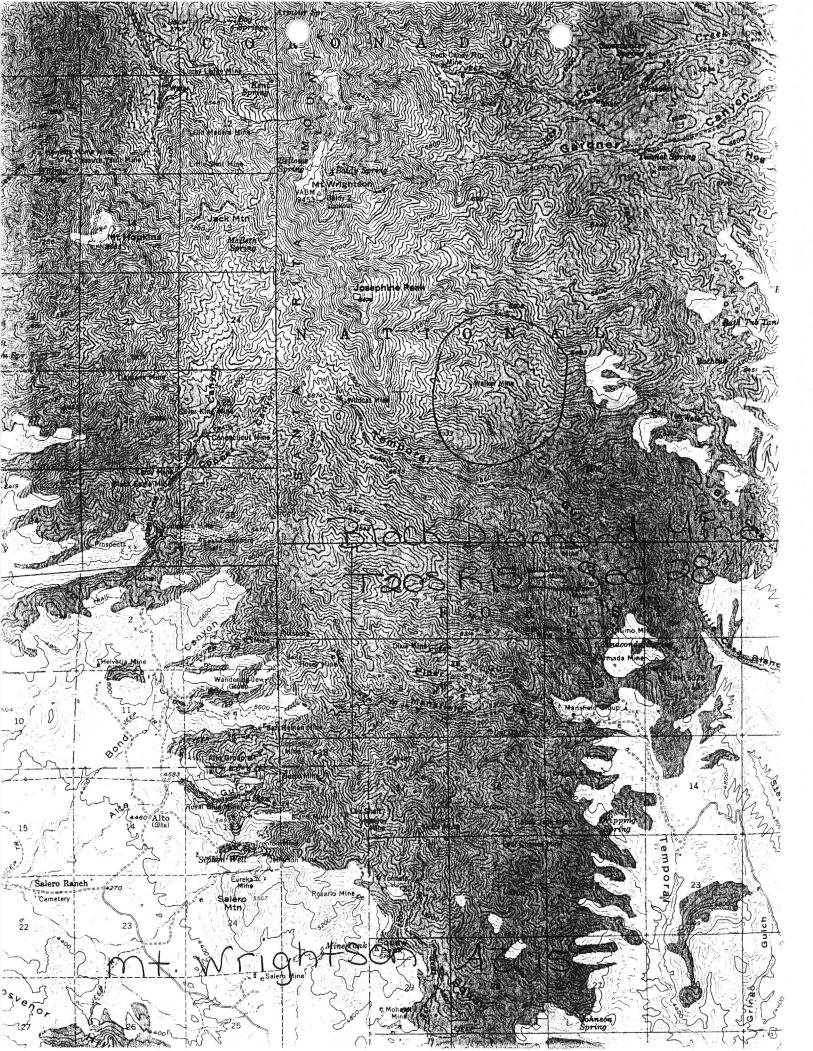
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DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES STATE OF ARIZONA FIELD ENGINEERS REPORT

Mine Black Diamond Mine

Date Jan. 19, 1959

District Wrightson Mining Dist., Santa Cruz Co.

Engineer Axel L. Johnson

Subject: Field Engineer's Report - Information from M. F. McKnight. No visit.

References: See report of July 23, 1958

Present Mining Activity: Mr. McKnight reports that the mine started operating yesterday Jan. 18, and that about 1 ton of ore had been stockpiled for future shipment. 4 men working.

Mr. McKnight reports that the vein is from 12" to 13" in thickness, and that the ore is very high grade, probably 45% to 55% manganese.

He reports that a road into the property was recently completed, but the road is very steep and requires a 4 wheel jeep to get over.

Remarks: Field engineer hopes to be able to get up to the property for a personal visit on his next trip to the area about Feb. 5.

DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES STATE OF ARIZONA FIELD ENGINEERS REPORT

Mine Black Diamond Mine

Date

Feb. 4, 1959

District Wrightson Mining District, Santa Cruz Co. Engineer

Axel L. Johnson

Subject: Field Engineer's Report. Information from Harry Zabel.

References: Reports of Jan. 19, 1959 and July 23, 1958.

Location: About 18 miles north of Patagonia. Drive up Temporal Canyon road for a distance of 13 miles from Patagonia. Take newly built road for a distance of about 5 miles up the steep mountain to an elevation of about 6300 ft. Requires a 4 wheel drive jeep to negotiate. No road for the last 200 to 300 ft. up to the mine.

Owners: Boulder Mining Co., Box 5, Patagonia, Arizona Harry Zabel, LeRoy Knott and James Williams

Principal Minerals: Manganese

Present Mining Activity: Mr. Zabel reports that mining manganese ore was started on Jan. 18, and that they now have 5 to 6 tons of manganese ore stockpiled, which is expected to average 50 to 52% in manganese content. 3 men working.

Milling & Marketing Facilities: Mr. Zabel reports that he has an offer from a manganese ore buyer of \$1.15 per long ton unit f.o.b. mine.

Present Mining Operations: Working with pick and shovel in small open cut, handsorting the ore and dumping ore into a stockpile.

See: MINING WORLD, April 1959, p 40

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FIELD ENGINEERS REPORT

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Mine Black Diamond Mine

Date July 23, 1958

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District Wrightson Mining District, Santa Cruz Co. Engineer Axel L. Johnson

Subject: Field Engineers Report. Information from Harry Zabel. No visit.

Location In Temporal Canyon about 13 miles north of Patagonia, and 6 miles NE of the junction to the American Boy Mine.

Number of Claims 2 unpatented claims, located on April 25, 1958.

Owners Boulder Mining Co., Box 5, Patagonia, Ariz.

Harry Zabel, LeRoy Knott, James Williams, and Reginald Miller of same address.

Present Mining Activity Building a road for a distance of 4 miles to the property.

2 men working.

Geology & Mineralization Owners report that the ore is formed by limestone replacement adjacent to an igneous rock contact. They further report that the ore structure is about 12 feet wide by 300 ft. long, with manganese ore fissures within the structure 18 in. wide by 40 ft. long. The ore outcrops on a steep side hill next to a conyon. Owners report that the ore, after being sorted, averages close to 50 % in manganese.

Past History and Production Owners report that the mine was worked to a limited extent in World War I and World War II, and that the ore mined at that time was hauled out by burros. They report that the ore, from these shipments, averaged 49 % manganese, 2 % iron, 1 % silica, 27 oz. silver, and no copper or lead.

Present Mining Operations Building a road into the property, using a D-8 Caterpillar bulldozer. They report that 3.25 miles of road has already been built, and that 0.75 miles of road remains to be built. They expect to finish the road construction in about 3 weeks. Considerable rock blasting is required in the operation.

Proposed Plans To start mining operations as soon as the road into the property has been completed.

To hand sort the ore sufficiently, so as to be able to ship the ore direct on the Government Car Lot Program. They are of the opinion that the ore will average from 45 to 50 %.

General Remarks Operators live 1 mile north of Patagonia. Brive NE from Patagonia on the Patagonia-Sonoita road (Hwy. 82) for about 300 yards, turn left on 1st Ave., then drive 0.5 miles past the Ranger Station, then turn right on the first road past the Ranger Station.