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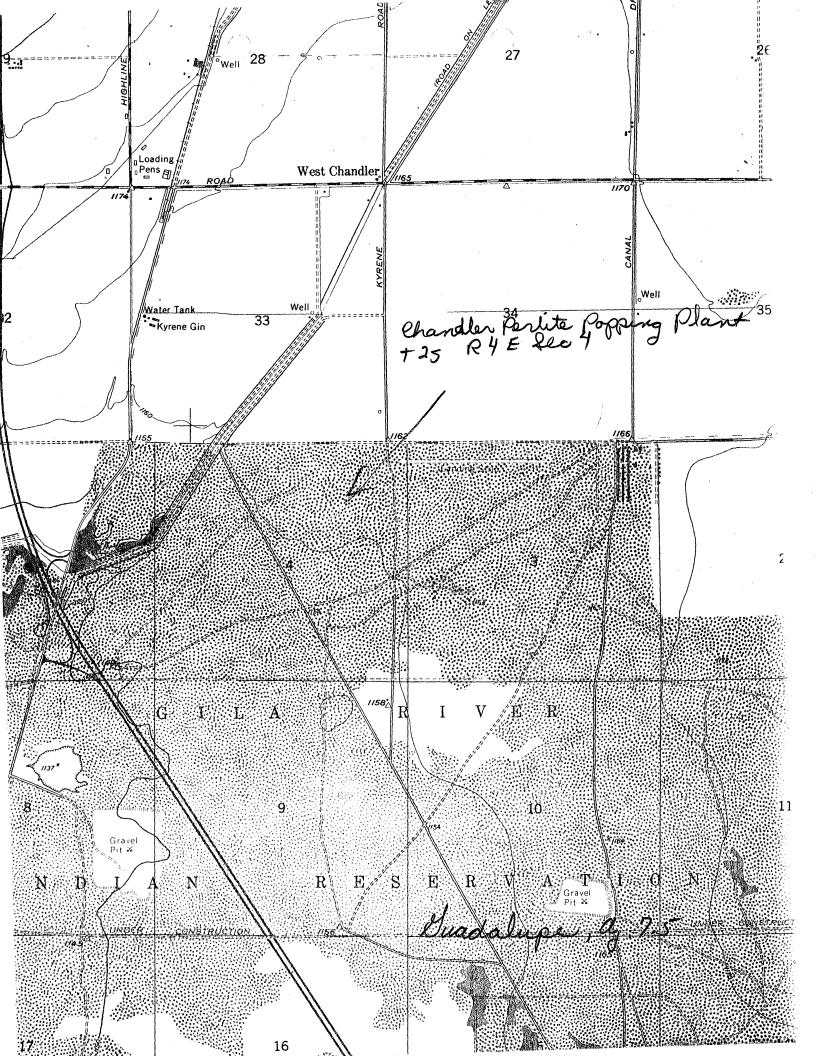
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### CHANDLER PERLITE POPPING PLANT

#### MARICOPA COUNTY

KAP WR 12/14/84: In the company of Nyal Niemuth a visit was made to the Chandler Perlite Popping plant (f) in west Chandler. The plant is operated by Therm-O-Rock Industries Inc., 6732 W. Willis Road, Chandler, Az. 85224, phone 961-1000. Mialing address is: P. O. Box 5014, Chandler, Az. 85224. Ronald J. Dobkin is Vice President and manages the plant. A separate report has been written.

NJN WR 2/1/85: With Ken Phillips went to the Chandler Perlite Popping Plant (f) where we exfoliated approximately 50 lbs of the vermiculite sample from the Arizona Vermiculite Mine (f) Maricopa County. The sample was analyzed for size fractions and specific density, and compared to Ther-o-rock's regular product. A table with the results has been placed in the mine file.

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#### VERBAL INFORMATION SUMMARY

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1.	Information from: <u>Plant visit &amp; Ron Dobkin, Vice Pres. and plant manager</u>	
	Address: 6737 W. Willis Rd., P.O. Box 5014, Chandler, AZ 85224	
	Mine: (Perlite/Vermiculite Processing 3. ADMMR Mine File Chandler Perlite Popping P1	ant
4.	County: <u>Maricopa</u> <u>Plant</u> 5. District <u>NA</u>	
6.	County:MaricopaPlant5. DistrictNATownship <b>T2S</b> Range <b>YE</b> Sec(s) <b>Y</b>	
	Location: <u>West of Chandler in Chandler-Pima Industrial Park</u>	
8.	No. of Claims - Patented Unpatented	
9.	Owner (if different from above)	
10.	Address:	
11.	Operating Company: <u>Therm-O-Rock Industries (address above)</u>	
12.	Pertinent People and/or Firm:	
13.	Commodities: Expanded Perlite, expanded Vermiculite, nursery and industrial products	
14.	Operational Status: <u>Operating</u>	

15. Summary of information received, comments, etc.

Mr. Dobkin explained that Therm-O-Rock acquired the plant at a bankruptcy sale and has been operating it for over 2 years. The plant uses natural gas fired furnaces to expand ("pop") perlite and vermiculite. The expanded perlite is both bagged and sold and also used in compounding nursery planting "soil". The perlite is obtained in New Mexico because Arizona perlite produces excessive fine particles and fragile particles. Also, the Arizona perlite from the Superior area is not white when popped. The vermiculite is purchased from mines in Virginia. They would very much like to find an Arizona source of acceptable perlite and vermiculite. They are capable of test processing batches of 50-100 lbs to determine acceptable expansion and "hard particle content" and would like to receive samples from possible deposits.

Buster Williams was at one time (prior to Therm-O-Rock) involved with their plant. This plant has no relationship to that discussed in the Supreme Perlite Co. Inc. (file) plant.

Date: December 192

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