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## ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF MINES AND MINERAL RESOURCES AZMILS DATA

PRIMARY NAME: LOST DUTCHMAN CLAIMS
ALTERNATE NAMES:
OLD MINA SOMBRERA
PINAL COUNTY MILS NUMBER: ..... 57
LOCATION: TOWNSHIP 1 S RANGE 10 E SECTION 6 QUARTER SWLATITUDE: N 33DEG 22MIN 03SEC LONGITUDE: W 111DEG 22MIN 10SECTOPO MAP NAME: FLORENCE JUNCTION - 7.5 MIN
CURRENT STATUS: EXP PROSPECT
COMMODITY:SILVER
BIBLIOGRAPHY
ADMMR LOST DUTCHMAN CLAIMS FILE

# WR GN 12-7-77-Pat Padilla, Phoenix, came in to learn how to stake a claim, saying he had found the Lost Dutchman and the Peralta mine. He wants to protect the area by staking 4 claims and recovering the artifacts for their historical value. 12-13-77 bh 

RRB WR 8/31/84: Don Hensley, Apache Junction, reports that he has filed claims on the Lost Dutchman Claims (f) in SW $\frac{1}{4}$, Sec 6, TlOE RIS, Pinal County. He said that the former owner is deceased. He has hired a geologist that is working on the theory that his claims are on the edge of cauldera.

# Department of Mineral resources <br> state of arizona <br> FIELD ENGINEERS REPORT 

Mine LOST DUTCHMAN CLAIMS (OLD MINA SOMBRERO) Date 10/7/63

District SUPERSTITION DISTRICT, PINAL COUNTY Engineer LEWIS A. SMITH

Subject: MINE VISIT AND CONFERENCE WITH A. W. TACKE, 10/7/63.
MINE VISIT: $10 / 7 / 63$
LOCATION: SW $\frac{1}{4} \mathrm{Sec} .6$ and NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 7, T1S, RIOE.
ACCESS: Turn left off of Hwy. 60-70, at about 7 miles SE of Apache Junction, on Peralta Road, thence 5 miles $E$ to Hunt Ranch, thence $3 / 4$ mile $E$ by means of 2 miles of dirt road.

PROPERTY: 2 Lode Claims (Lost Dutchman and River Red).
3 Placer " (River Red, and Placer 1 and 2),
2 Millsite "
OWNERS: A. W. Tacke, Box 117, Apache Junction, his sons Purvis and Ellis T. Tacke, $\overline{3212}$ E. McKinley, Phoenix.

## MINERAL: Silver (approx $20 z$ per ton.)

WORK: This consists of a narrow cut 130 feet long, 3 feet wide at the bottom, and 20 feet deep at the E . face. From this face an adit extends into the hill for 73 feet where it splits. The left split is in about 10 feet (present work) and the right split is a U-shaped drift that is about $35-40$ feet long.

Also there are two shafts (both inclined) that are 65 and 35 , respectively. The 35-foot shaft has a $20^{\circ}$ drift at the bottom.

EQUIPMENT: 2 Electric drills (a) $\frac{1}{2}$ inch bit, (b) $1 \frac{1}{2}$ inch bit. The bits are coated with stellite or some other hardening agent. They are Black and Decker Mfg. Co. products and are probably models 57.5 and 494 , according to the Company spokesman. They are driven by a Kohler Plant. The Kohler plant is connected to the mine by roughly $600^{\prime}$ of wiring.

GEOLOGY: The area generally consists of andesite, at the base capped by a conglomerate that contains a high percentage of quartz pebbles and cobbles. This, in turn, is overlain by arkosic sandstone that is cross-bedded, and has facies that are fairly coarse grained or finely conglomeratic. This sedimentary rock is possibly 100 feet thick, and was probably deposited in a delta. The sandstone is overlain by volcanic flows of the Superstition Series. (rhyolites at the base, capped by thick flows of dacite, dacitic vitrophyre and dacitic tuff). West of the mine about a mile is an apparent major fault trending in a northerly direction, has a large throw, and crosses the Range. At nearly right angles to this fault, is a second major fault, with an EW trend, that appears to have offset the first fault. The second fault crosses the claims several hundred feet $S$. of the adit. This has evidently up-thrown the block to the $N$. The andesite, in which the adit workings lie, is coarse textured and porphyritic. Certain bands are more iron stained than others. These bands appear to roughly parallel to the second fault. The andesite along these bands is more severly altered than elsewhere. Assays show up to 2 ounces of silver to the ton, according to Tacke. No veins were seen, but there appeared to be somewhat stronger iron oxide concentration under the andesite-sandstone contact. It is possible that the andesite and conglomeritic-sandstone could be early Tertiary, or late Cretaceous, or even older in age, since the sandstone and conglomerate are very well consolidated. The andesite has been variably silicified.



