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ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF MINES AND MINERAL RESOURCES AZMILS DATA

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ALTERNATE NAMES:

BENJAMIN GULCH QUARRY
PATENTED CLAIMS MS 4593
DUNBAR SCHIST QUARRIES

YAVAPAI COUNTY MILS NUMBER: 736

LOCATION: TOWNSHIP 13 N RANGE 1 W SECTION 17 QUARTER W2
LATITUDE: N 34DEG 30MIN 24SEC LONGITUDE: W 112DEG 23MIN 27SEC
TOPO MAP NAME: PRESCOTT - 7.5 MIN

CURRENT STATUS: PAST PRODUCER

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STONE SCHIST DM
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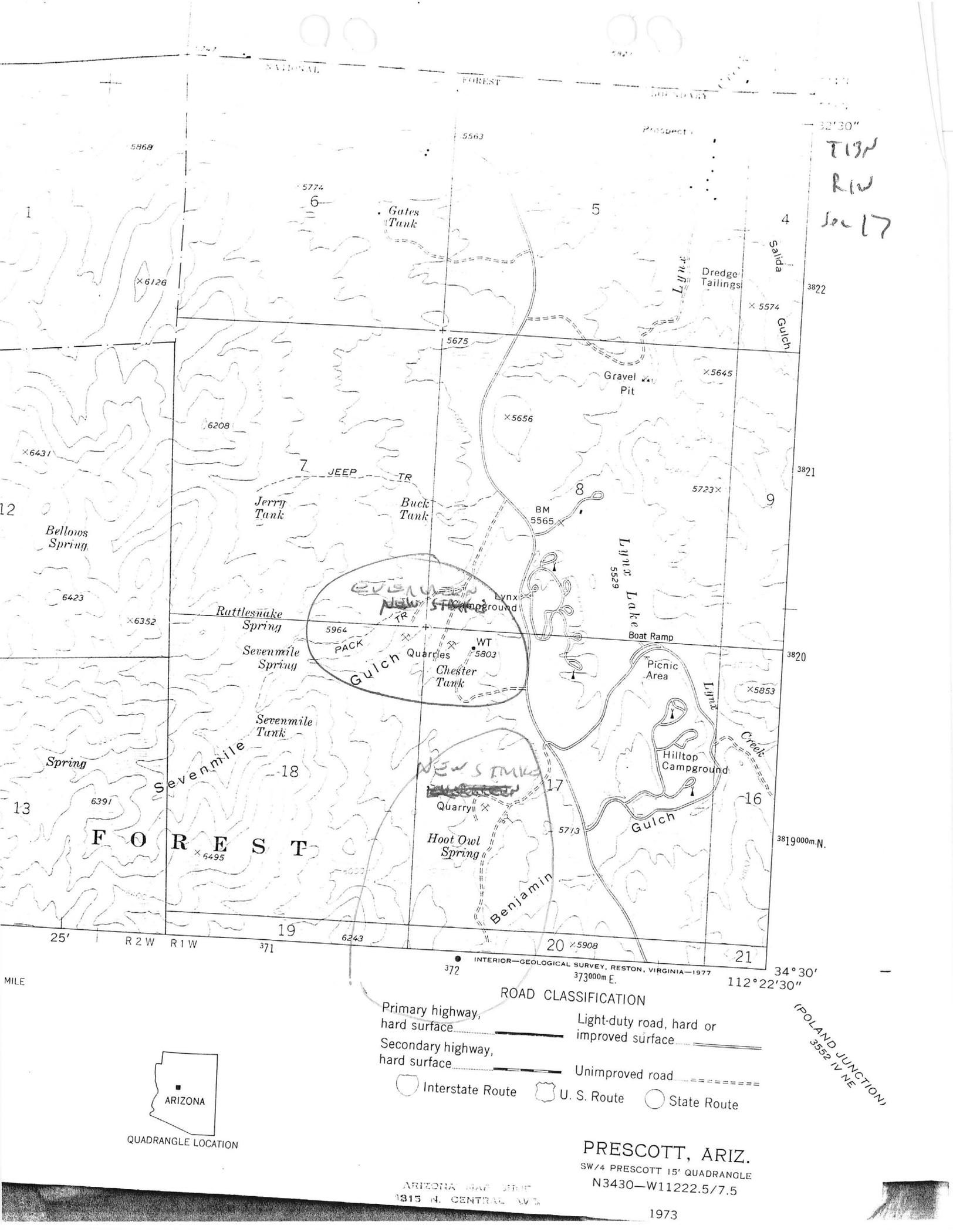
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R1W
Sec 17

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ROAD CLASSIFICATION

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Secondary highway, hard surface ———— Unimproved road - - - - -

○ Interstate Route ◻ U. S. Route ○ State Route



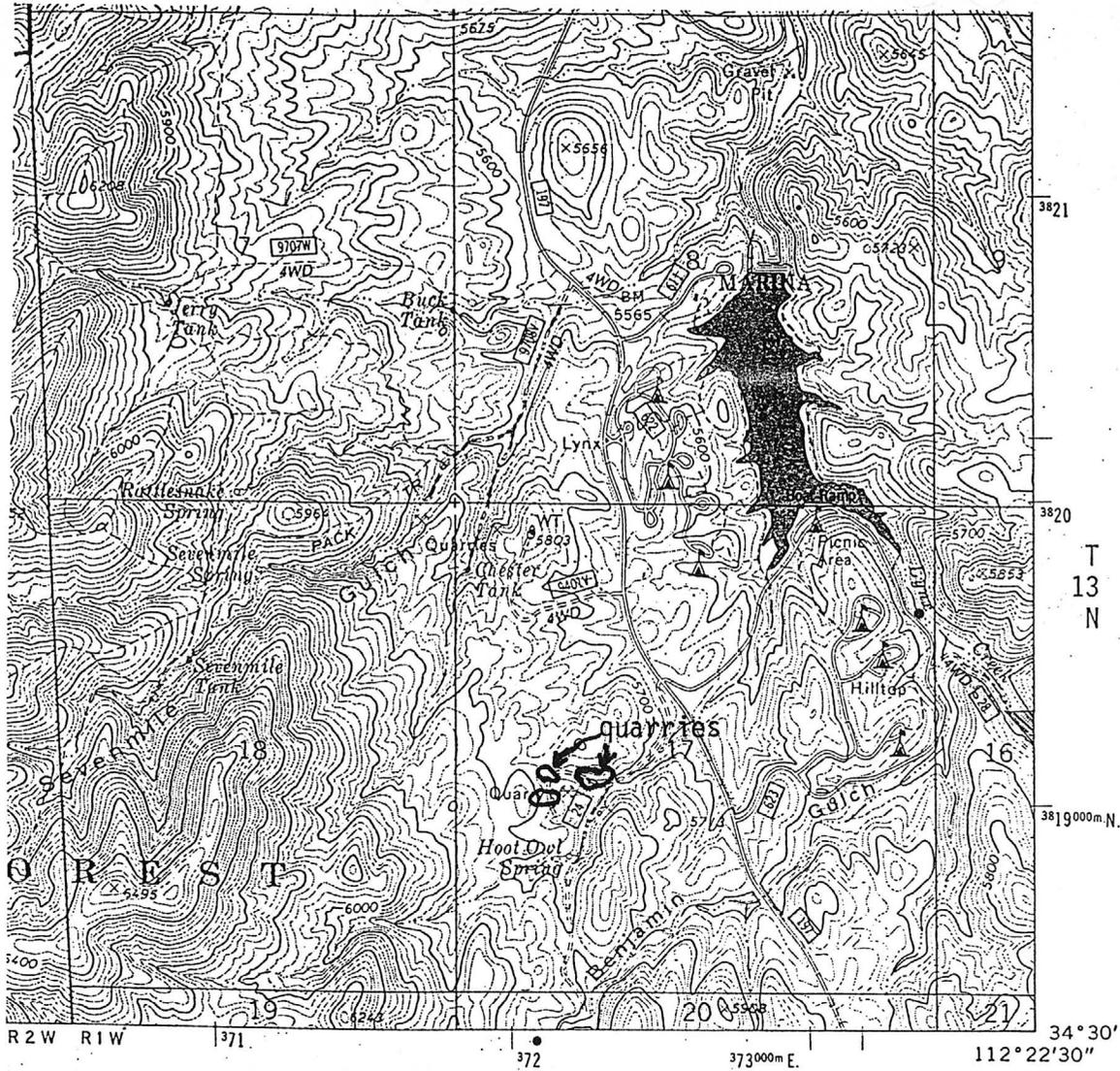
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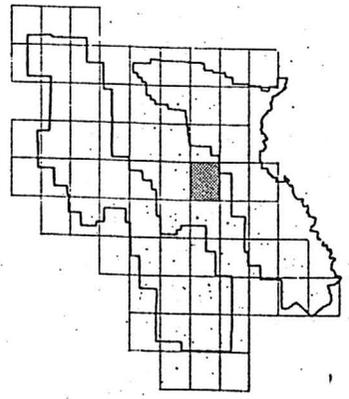
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PRESCOTT NATIONAL FOREST
QUADRANGLE LOCALTIONAL DIAGRAM

PRESCOTT, ARIZ.

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LOCATION OF THE BENJAMIN GULCH QUARRIES

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GENERAL REFERENCE

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REPORTER(SUPERVISOR) G2 < LARADA PETER > (last, first, middle initial)

REPORTER AFFILIATION G6 < ABGHT >

SYNONYMS A11 < BERBERICH >

SITE NAME A10 < NEW STRIKE MINE >

LOCATION

MINING DISTRICT/AREA A30 < WALKER DISTRICT >

COUNTY A60 < YAVAPAI >

PHYSIOGRAPHIC PROV A63 < 1.2 >

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STATE A60 < AZ >

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SECOND QUAD SCALE A91 < >

UTM

NORTHING A120 < 3819000 >

EASTING A130 < 372200 >

ZONE NUMBER A110 < 12 >

ACCURACY

ACCURATE (circle)

ESTIMATED EST < >

GEODETIC

LATITUDE A70 < > N

LONGITUDE A80 < > W

CADASTRAL

TOWNSHIP(S) A77 < 013 N 1/4 >

SECTION(S) A79 < 17 >

SECTION FRACTION(S) A76 < SW >

MERIDIAN(S) A81 < GILA AND SALT RIVER >

RANGE(S) A78 < 010 W 1/4 >

POSITION FROM NEAREST PROMINENT LOCALITY A82 < 3.5 MILES NE OF GROOM CREEK, ARIZONA >

LOCATION COMMENTS A83 < >

* ESSENTIAL INFORMATION
+ ESSENTIAL SOMETIMES OR HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

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 COM. INFO. COMMENTS C50 <

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POTENTIAL PRODUCTS	POTEN < >	
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* PRODUCTION

	PRODUCER	NON-PRODUCER
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* STATUS

EXPLORATION OR DEVELOPMENT

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 PRESENT/LAST OWNER A12 < MELLUZO STONE COMPANY (1962) >
 PRESENT/LAST OPERATOR A13 < MELLUZO STONE COMPANY (1962) >
 EXPL./DEV.COMMENTS L110 < SIX PATENTED CLAIMS = NEW STRIKE NO. 5 1-6 >

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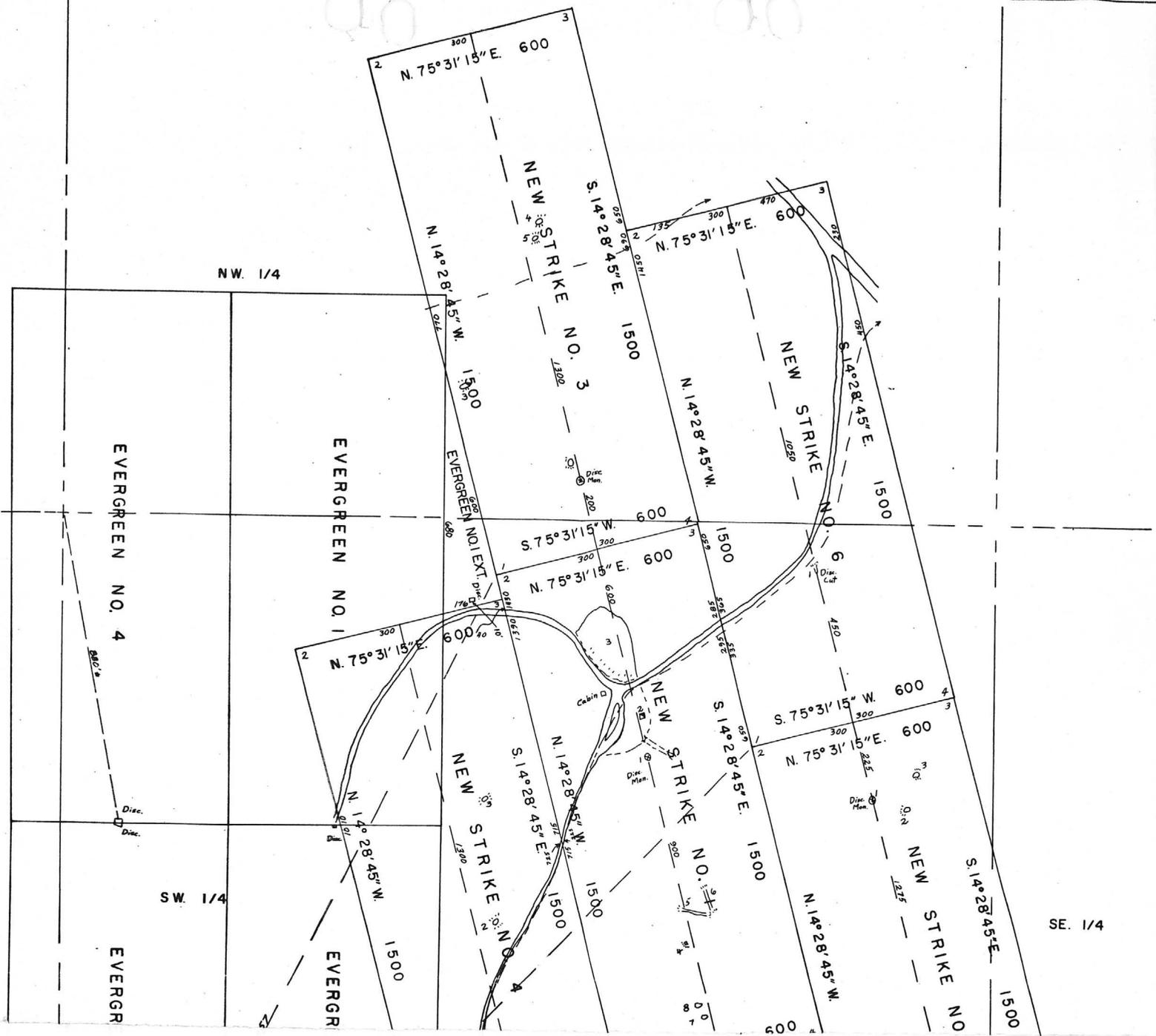
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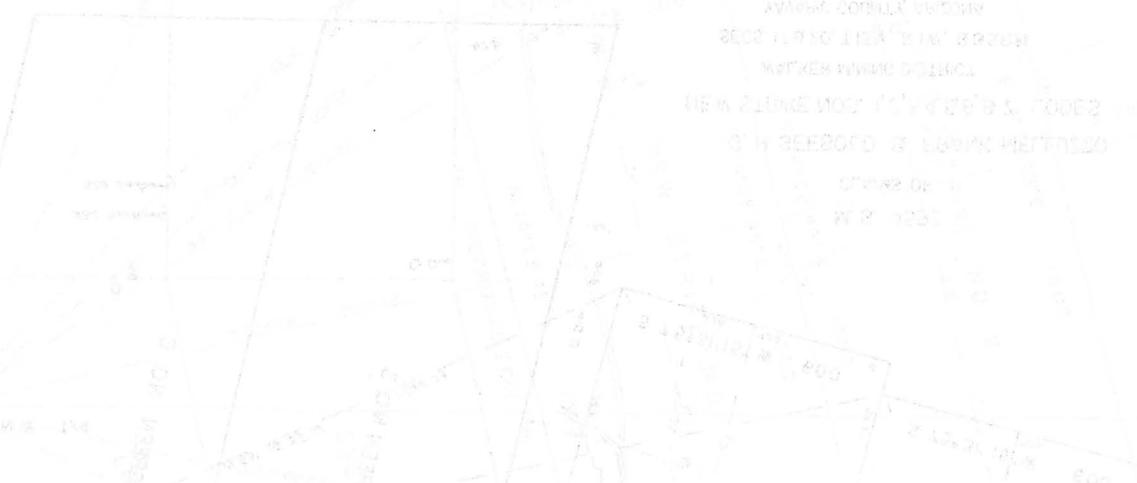
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 SIGNIFICANT LOCAL STRUCT. N70 < VEINS SOMETIMES PARALLEL TO REGIONAL FOLIATION >
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 SECOND FM AGE N38 < >
 SECOND FM NAME N38A < >
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GENERAL COMMENTS

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WITNESSES
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Stopped at Walt Statler's assay office at the Iron King mine and he reported that Sonesta (Cutlass) of Vancouver had taken over the old New Strike property near Walker and were continuing drilling. GW WR 5-2 74

NJN WR 11/20/87: George Dunbar of Dunbar Stone Company (card) reported that the main quarries they produce from in the Ashfork area are the Corva, Horna, Armstrong and Roder. Their main schist quarries are the Evergreen Quarry (file) and New Strike (file) Yavapai County near Lynx Lake. Additionally, they produce from a quarry south of Seligman, a desert rose marble.

NEW STRIKE PROPERTY

YAVAPAI COUNTY
5 Mi. E of Prescott

Visited the stone quarry on the NEW STRIKE mining property. The property comprising 6 patented claims is located in Secs. 3 & 19, T12 $\frac{1}{2}$ N, RLW, some 5 miles easterly from Prescott.

The claims are owned by Melluzzo Stone Co., 9241 N. 10th Street, Sunnyslope, Arizona. Dutch Sieboldt of Phoenix is operating the quarry under contract agreement to furnish thin tabular highly silicified schist stone (flagstone) to a desert hotel construction job in the Apache Junction area.

(G.H. Sieboldt)
158 N. 41st Pl.
Phx

The mine is opened by a tunnel and a winze with some level and stope development - all inaccessible. Some shipments of lead-silver ore have been made, years ago. No specific information re the past operation was available. The quarry is a development not related to the old underground vein mine. A considerable amount of stone was broken in the pit and 2 men were loading a truck for shipment to the Apache Junction job. ■

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Forest
Service

Bradshaw
Ranger District

2230 East Highway 69
Prescott, AZ 86301

NEW TRIKE (A) YAWAPM KHMZ

Reply To: 2850

Date: October 5, 1994

Dear Concerned Citizen:

This letter is to announce the Forest Service pre-decision for a proposed expansion of three schist flagstone quarries off of Walker Road southeast of Prescott. An Environmental Assessment was prepared in response to the proposal, to analyze the potential effects to the environment with the proposed action, and the effects if the quarries are not expanded; the Environmental Assessment is enclosed for your review.

The three quarries being considered are located in Benjamin Gulch, in section 17, T13N, R1W, G&SRB&M (see enclosed map). The proposal to expand the quarries would involve an increase in acreage of each of the quarries from approximately two to four acres. The quarry complex is in moderately sloping topography, with the principle vegetation being Ponderosa Pine and chapparral. Issues raised in the scoping process of the environmental assessment included potential sedimentation and erosion, impact to wildlife, safety to humans and to wildlife in and around the quarries, maintaining visual quality in the quarry area, and effect on heritage resources. Expansion of the quarries, and denial of the proposal to expand the quarries, were evaluated in light of the above issues.

I am in favor of allowing expansion of the quarries, with stipulations in the mineral material contract to mitigate effects to other resources, especially those effects tied to issues raised through scoping. This decision would be consistent with the Prescott National Forest Plan's direction to "make mineral material available for personal and commercial use when it has been determined that it will not be in substantial conflict with other resources or activities", and to "locate borrow pits and quarries where they will serve long term needs". The decision would also follow the requirements of 36 CFR 228.

We are interested in your comments on this proposal; comments received during the next 30 days will be considered before a final decision is made. Please make your comments as specific as possible. Comments

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should be directed to the District Ranger, Bradshaw District, 2230 E. Highway 69, Prescott, AZ., 86301. Any questions you may have concerning the proposed operation should be directed to Beverly Morgan, 602-445-7253.

Sincerely,

La Douglas R. French

KAREN GROSWOLD-HAWLEY
Acting Bradshaw District Ranger

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

BENJAMIN GULCH SCHIST QUARRIES

USDA Forest Service
Prescott National Forest
Bradshaw Ranger District
Prescott, Arizona

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSAL

Gerald Dunbar of Dunbar Stone Company has requested authorization to expand three schist quarries off of Walker Road southeast of Prescott. The legal description of the quarries is section 17, T13N, R1W, G&SRB.

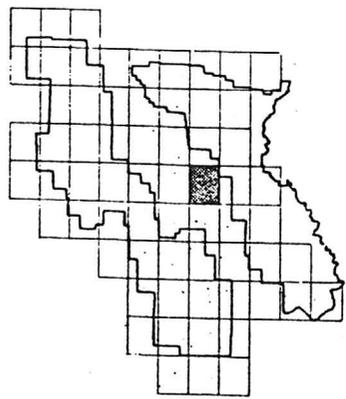
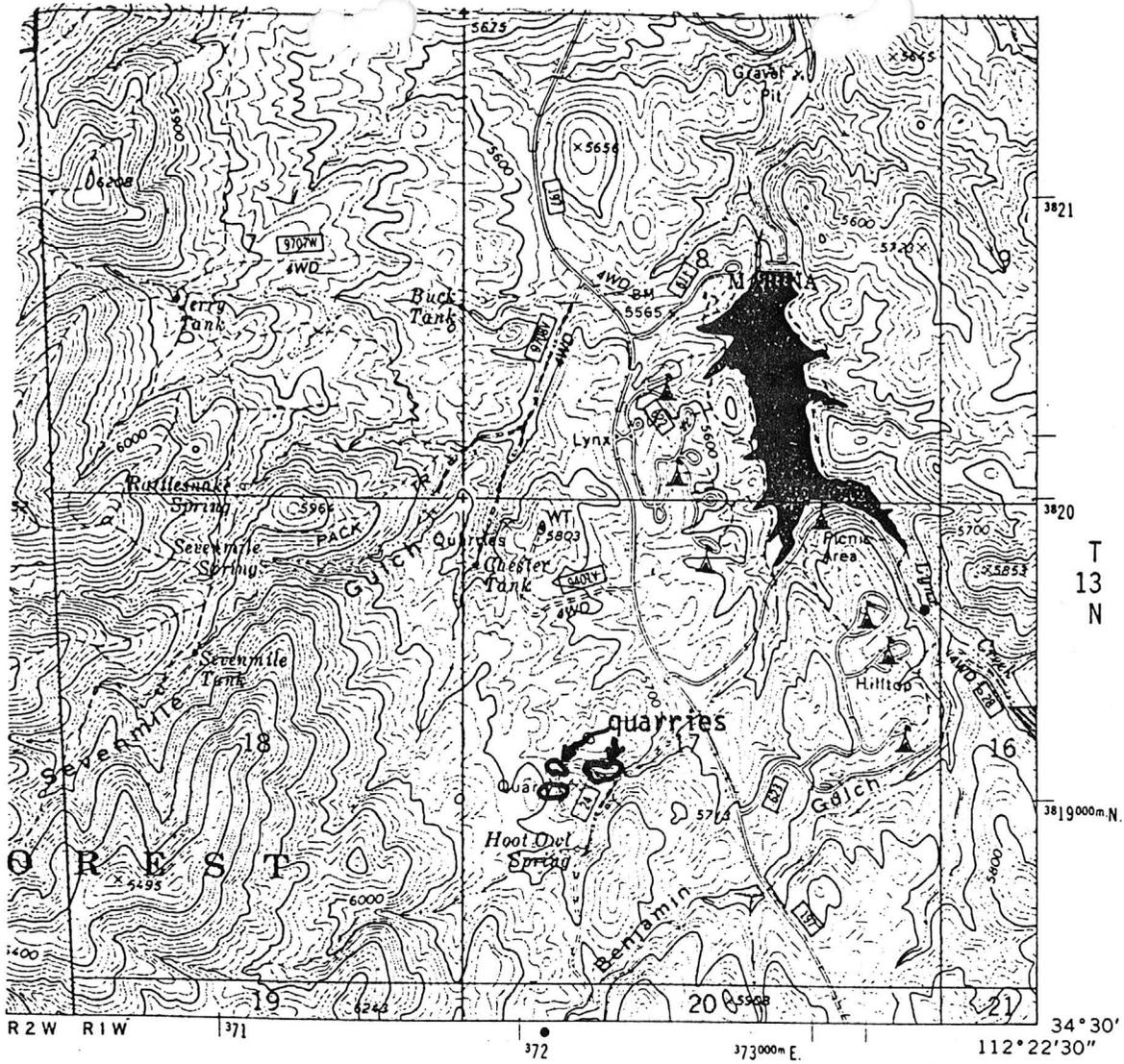
The quarry area includes a group of nine quarries, all of which have been operated for a number of years. Six of the quarries have been reclaimed or are currently being reclaimed. The remaining three quarries expose schist in three different colors, and include all varieties of the rock that are in demand in the local flagstone market.

The quarries are each approximately two acres. The proposal calls for expanding the quarries through increasing the acreage and also through deepening each quarry. The maximum increase in acreage of each quarry would be approximately two acres, with a total final area of four acres each. Slope of the quarry walls with the deepening will not exceed 2:1. A total of 5000 tons of schist from the quarries would be offered for sale through competitive bid. The successful bidder would be required to provide a pit plan, acceptable to the Forest Service, showing final grades, reclamation specifications, and a revegetation plan.

The vegetation in the quarry area is predominantly Ponderosa Pine, with some interspersed chaparral. Topography of the area includes moderate to steep slopes with little soil development. The three quarries are within a small area (within a half a mile radius) with little difference in the affected environment, thus they were treated as a single unit in the environmental analysis of quarry expansion.

PURPOSE AND NEED

Evaluation of this proposal follows the direction of United States laws (30 U.S.C. 601, and amendments), and follows Forest Service Policy to make mineral materials available to the public where reasonable protection of or mitigation of effects on other resources is assured, and where removal is not prohibited. The proposal is also consistent with the Prescott National Forest Plan. It is thus within the framework of the mineral material laws and Forest Service regulations that this Environmental Assessment is written. The deciding official responsible for the approval or denial of the Benjamin Gulch Schist Quarry expansion is the Bradshaw District Ranger.



PRESCOTT NATIONAL FOREST
QUADRANGLE LOCATIONAL DIAGRAM

PRESCOTT, ARIZ.
N3430-W11222.5/7.5
1973
DMA 3553 III SW—SERIES V898

LOCATION OF THE BENJAMIN GULCH QUARRIES

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34° 30'

(POLAND JUNCTION)
3552 IV NE

The EA itself is not a decision document, but is used to make an informed decision about the mining activity in question. The decision on this proposal is stated in the accompanying Decision Notice.

ISSUES

Public scoping consisted of notifying the Arizona Game & Fish Department, Arizona Department of Environmental Quality, and approximately 75 other individuals and groups.

Internal scoping consisted of consultation with staff members in cultural resources, minerals, hydrology, wildlife, engineering and landscape architecture. Specialists in all these areas visited the project area and examined the quarries and access roads. Issues raised through both internal and external scoping included impact to heritage resources in the project area, potential degradation in water quality, potential increase in erosion and sedimentation, impact to sensitive wildlife species, degradation of visual quality in the quarry complex, and safety to humans and wildlife in and around the quarries.

Through review of cultural resource survey records it was determined that the quarry complex had previously been surveyed and that no cultural resources exist in the quarry area.

In response to the issue of impact to sensitive wildlife species, the Threatened, Endangered and Sensitive Wildlife Species List for the Prescott National Forest was reviewed, and data bases and species occurrence records were consulted for all habitat potential for TES species. The research indicated that the area had potential habitat for the Mexican Spotted Owl and the Northern Goshawk, and so the quarry complex was surveyed for these sensitive species. The survey resulted in the determination that none of the alternatives developed in response to the quarry expansion proposal would affect the owl or goshawk, due to the fact that the habitat is unsuitable for nesting, roosting and foraging for the Mexican Spotted owl, and that the survey failed to locate nesting goshawks.

ALTERNATIVES

During the environmental analysis phase, mining in the project area was evaluated and an alternative to the original proposal was developed. The proposal and the alternative were evaluated relative to the issues raised through scoping, and for their ability to:

1. Provide for environmental protection.
2. Make mineral material available to the public, as outlined in 30 U.S.C. 601 and subsequent amendments.
3. Comply with Forest Service Regulations and Manual direction.
4. Comply with the Land and Resource Management Plan for the Prescott National Forest.

Alternative A - No Action

This alternative would deny the proposal to expand the Benjamin Gulch Quarries and would result in the immediate reclamation of all of the quarries.

Alternative B - Approval of expansion of the three quarries.

This alternative would allow three of the existing quarries to remain open and to be expanded. Each quarry would be expanded from approximately two acres to a maximum of four acres. Reclamation would include recontouring of the quarry sites to blend with the natural topography, and revegetation with a grass mixture and Ponderosa Pine. Reclamation would be assured through bonding.

The development of alternative schist sources was considered as an additional alternative, but was dismissed due to the fact that the expansion of the existing quarries would have less of an impact than development of new quarries in undisturbed areas.

ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS

Environmental effects and limitations relevant to the issue and to the decision are summarized as follows.

Erosion and Water Quality

The concern was raised, both internally and externally, that expansion of the quarries would result in excessive erosion and sedimentation, and degradation of water quality in the drainages in the quarry area. Of particular concern was the potential for increased erosion with an increase in the acreage of the quarries.

Alternative A would result in immediate reclamation of all of the quarries, including the three that are being studied in this analysis, according to the reclamation stipulations of the previous mineral materials contract for the quarries. Reclamation would include recontouring of most of the quarry slopes (one steep face was designated in the original contract to remain as is) and seeding of the disturbed ground. This reclamation would stabilize the ground surface in the quarry area, slowing erosion and sedimentation.

Alternative B would cause some degree of increase in erosion and sedimentation during the period of time in which the contract is in effect (a maximum of five years). The increase would be due to the fact that this alternative would result in a larger area of open, cleared ground. Erosion and sedimentation would be minimized by the creation of catchment basins within the three individual quarries, basins which allow sediment to settle out within the quarries before any run-off waters flow out of the quarry areas. Erosion and sedimentation would also be minimized by the limited duration of the quarrying operation.

Visual Quality

Maintaining the visual quality of the pit area was an issue because of the nature of the schist being quarried, and the moderate to steep natural slopes in the quarry area. The effect of vegetation removal with quarrying was also a visual quality concern.

The schist in the Benjamin Gulch Quarry complex fractures in place into slabs that are naturally aligned at a nearly vertical orientation. As the rock is mined, steep quarry faces develop along the natural planes of fracture in the schist. The deeper the quarry in this rock, the more distinct the excavation appears when compared with the surrounding natural topography. Concerning vegetation removal, the greater the acreage of a quarry, the larger the area of vegetation (primarily Ponderosa Pine) removal.

According to the Prescott National Forest Visual Quality Objective Map, the quarry area is within the Foreground Zone of Walker Road, Variety Class B, Sensitivity Level 1, rated as Retention. This rating stipulates as a Visual Quality goal that natural land forms in the quarry area

be retained. In the event of activity that alters the area's natural landscape, disturbed ground should be returned to its characteristic natural form immediately after activity ceases. Alternative A would result in immediate reclamation of all of the quarries, following specifications of the previous mineral contract. All but one of the steep faces that currently exist in the quarry area would be recontoured to match the surrounding natural topography. All disturbances would be revegetated with a grass seed mixture, as per the old contract.

Alternative B would increase the acreage of the quarries and thus involve an increase in the amount of vegetation removal in the quarry complex. It would at the same time create some rounding of the steep quarry faces as each quarry is enlarged. Reclamation under this alternative would call for recontouring of all unnaturally steep faces in the original nine quarry complex, and revegetation of the three quarries using a grass seed mixture and Ponderosa Pine.

Safety to Wildlife and Humans

Because of the vertical orientation of fractures in the Benjamin Gulch schist, removal of the rock (especially with quarry depths exceeding 20 or 30'), can create steep faces that are a hazard to both wildlife and humans.

Alternative A, resulting in the immediate reclamation of the existing quarries, and recontouring of the steep faces, would provide relief from the danger to humans and wildlife posed by the steep quarry faces. The one exception is a face in the eastern portion of the complex which, according to the previous contract, was to remain as is. The top of this face is fenced for wildlife and human protection.

Alternative B, expansion of the quarries, would involve the creation of steep faces with the height of the faces being minimized with an increase in the acreage of the quarries, keeping the safety hazards to a minimum. Faces over a certain height would be fenced for further protection, and would also be benched, following MSHA requirements for benching. Reclamation would include

recontouring all quarry faces in the original nine quarry complex to a slope of 2:1 or less.

Specific Mitigation Developed for Alternative B

The following mitigation was developed for Alternative B, to address issues that arose in the process of this environmental analysis. In dealing with the issue of safety and erosion due to steep slopes in the quarry faces, mitigation would include a stipulation on the contract that final slope in the quarries would not exceed 2:1. The issue of vegetation removal would be addressed through the stipulation that reclamation would include revegetation with a grass seed mixture and Ponderosa Pine seedlings. The issue of public safety would be addressed by stipulations including the 2:1 slope maximum mentioned above, plus (while the quarrying was taking place) signing and fencing around the quarries, and a gate closing the quarry complex from public access.

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2230 East Highway 69
Prescott, AZ 86301

NEW STRIKE (file)

Reply To: 2850 *Yavapai Co.*

Date: December 23, 1992

Dear Concerned Citizen:

This is to advise you of a proposal to renew a contract to mine schist building stone at the Benjamin Gulch Quarry off of Walker Road, southeast of Prescott. The legal description for the proposed operation is section 17, T13N, R1W, G&SRB (see attached map).

The Benjamin Gulch Quarry area has been mined since the mid-1970's and consists of nine quarries, which have been used for various colors of schist. This proposal calls for mining in three of the nine quarries, with the remaining quarries being closed and reclaimed.

The three quarries that would remain open with this proposal each average about three acres in size, and would be expanded in acreage with further mining. The estimated maximum increase in the size of each quarry would be two acres, for a total expansion of six acres.

Reclamation of the three quarries would be initiated immediately after operations cease. The reclamation would include recontouring, replacement of salvaged topsoil, and closure of access roads. The operator would be required to post a reclamation bond to guarantee rehabilitation of the site.

Minimizing impacts on vegetation and wildlife and protecting water quality have been identified as concerns. A cultural resource inventory has been completed and a biological evaluation will be done prior to any disturbance.

If you have any additional concerns or comments, please provide them to me by January 10, 1993. If you have questions, feel free to contact Beverly Morgan at 602-445-7253.

Sincerely,

for Douglas A. Hunt

JOHN W. HOLT
District Ranger

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Reply To: 2810

Date: May 6, 1991

Dear Concerned Citizen:

The Bradshaw Ranger District has received two Plans of Operation and an amendment to an approved Plan of Operation for exploration projects to be conducted on the Forest. The legal description for the first proposal is Section 33, Township 12 North, Range 3 West; the legal description for the second proposal is Section 17, Township 13 North, Range 1 West; and the third is located in Section 20, Township 11 North, Range 2 West.

The first proposal calls for the digging of a 30'W x 60'L x 40' deep pit for the purpose of sample collection. The excavated material will be run through a vibrator screen and onto a shaker table where it will be washed and the samples removed. The pit will be backfilled with the excavated material following sampling. Sample material would be evaluated off site. Reclamation would also include spreading salvaged topsoil and revegetating the site. As part of the approval, the operator would be required to post a reclamation bond sufficient for rehabilitation of the site.

LUCKY
ALLUS (F)
YAVAPAI

The second proposal involves rotary drilling four exploratory holes on an existing claim. Two of the holes will be on existing sites. The other two holes will develop two new 30'W x 50'L sites and require the construction of 300' x 12' of new roadway, not to exceed 15% slope. Several small oak and juniper shrubs will be disturbed or removed. The holes will be covered all times and the sites rehabilitated when geological evaluations are completed. As in the previous proposal, the operator will be required to post a reclamation bond.

NEW
STRIKE (F)
YAVAPAI

The third proposal involves placer exploration in Milk Creek. The proponent has proposed use of an 8 inch dredge for sampling in the creek bottom. No disturbance outside the channel has been proposed. The site will be reclaimed upon completion and the operator will be required to post bond to insure this.

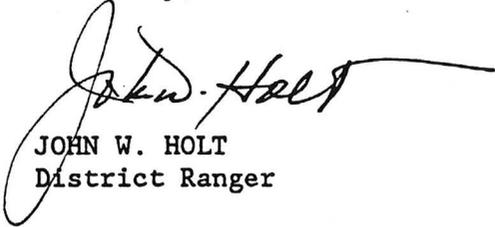
MENDENHALL
PLACER (F)
YAVAPAI

Minimizing impacts on vegetation and wildlife has been identified as a concern, as well as, protecting water quality. A cultural resource inventory and a biological evaluation will be completed prior to any disturbance.

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If you have any additional concerns or comments, please provide them to me by May 18, 1991. A copies of the proposal are available for review at this office. If you have questions, feel free to contact Doug Franch or Bill Cotee at (602) 445-7253.

Sincerely,



JOHN W. HOLT
District Ranger

DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES

STATE OF ARIZONA
FIELD ENGINEERS REPORT

Mine New Strike Claims Date June 27, 1962
District Walker Dist., Yavapai Co. Engineer Lewis A. Smith
Subject: Interviews with Al. E. Alvey, 6338 N. 15th St., Phoenix 6-20-62
Frank Melluzzo, 9241 North 10th St., Phoenix, 6-27-62

Property: 6 claims (Approx. S19, 30, T12 $\frac{1}{2}$ N, R1W)

Owners: Melluzzo Stone Co., 9241 N. 10th St., Phoenix. (Dutch)
G. H. Sieboldt, Copper Kettle Trailer Village, N32 St., Phoenix)
(Frank Melluzzo states that he is now arranging to buy out Sieboldt's share). (Al Alvey is representing Sieboldt in the deal).

Minerals: Copper, lead, zinc and silver with some gold.

Work: The area has been bulldozer stripped in places and considerable core drilling done. The cores are now being processed.

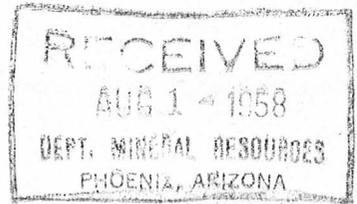
Geology: A 400 foot tunnel in schist, cut by dikes. In the general area, some lenses are formed at structural variations caused by transverse faults, fault intersections, dikes, rolls, etc. Melluzzo stated that some sampling had been previously done, but it was not, in his opinion, well done.

Murray Schutz said he was drill^{ing}/Siebold property FTJ WR 1/16/70

Silver Jay is drilling M. Schutz property near Lynx Lake Road, the Siebold Claims (New Strike Claims)
FTJ WR 1/23/70

See: USGS P.P. # 467 - Page 111

ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES
MINERAL BUILDING, FAIRGROUNDS
PHOENIX, ARIZONA



July 7, 1958

This was sold some years ago. ^{B?} M.E. Hazeltine. *MES*

To the Owner or Operator of the Arizona Mining Property named below:

<u>New Strike (Yavapai)</u>	<u>zinc, lead, silver, gold, copper</u>
(Property)	(ore)

We have an old listing of the above property which we would like to have brought up to date.

Please fill out the enclosed Mine Owner's Report form with as complete detail as possible and attach copies of reports, maps, assay returns, shipment returns or other data which you have not sent us before and which might interest a prospective buyer in looking at the property.

Frank P. Knight

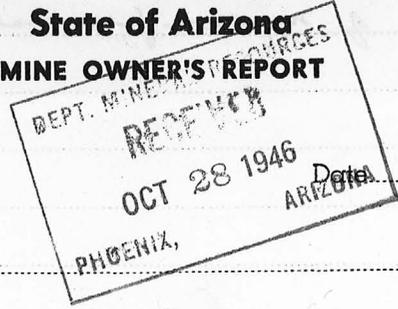
FRANK P. KNIGHT,
Director.

Enc: Mine Owner's Report

DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES

State of Arizona

MINE OWNER'S REPORT



Prescott, Oct 26, 46

1. Mine: NEW STRIKE

2. Location: Sec. Twp. Range Nearest Town Prescott

Distance 9 mi Direction S.E. Road Condition Good

3. Mining District & County: Walker Min Dist, Yavapai Co

4. Former Name of Mine: "New Strike" as far as I know

5. Owner: M. B. Hagelting

Address: Prescott, Arizona

6. Operator: Nobody

Address: Nowhere

7. Principal Minerals: Zinc Lead, Some Silver Gold & Copper

8. Number of Claims: Seven Lode [checked] Placer

Patented Unpatented [checked]

9. Type of Surrounding Terrain: Mountains - wooded

10. Geology & Mineralization:

11. Dimension & Value of Ore Body:

12. Ore "Blocked Out" or "In Sight": *Am told there is @ 200 tons
but do not know of my own personal knowledge*

Ore Probable:

13. Mine Workings—Amount and Condition:

No.	Feet	Condition
Shafts.....	<i>45' deep</i>	
Raíses.....	<i>to surface</i>	
Tunnels.....	<i>@ 250</i>	
Crosscuts.....	<i>None</i>	
Stopes.....	<i>20 x 40</i>	

14. Water Supply: *Free mine*

15. Brief History: *Berberick Bros - Prescott, Ariz -
opened in 1914 - worked as a gold mine.
Later was operated as Lead-Zinc. Did not pay
because of inefficient management.*

Al Berberick committed suicide July 7th '58 Prescott.

16. Signature: *M. B. Hagelstein
Prescott, Arizona*

17. If Property for Sale, List Approximate Price and Terms: *\$5000 - pay \$1000 down
balance on 10% Royalty.*

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STATE OF ARIZONA
FIELD ENGINEERS REPORT

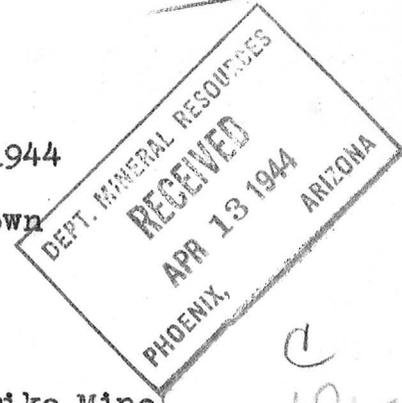
Mine 'New Strike

Date April 11, 1944

District Walker

Engineer B. W. Brown

Subject: Status



There was some question of the Status of the New Strike Mine
In the Walker Dist., of Yavapai county.

The following will I think clear this up:

The New Strike is definitely a closed book. Upon the death of
C.L. Baker the owner of the property, M. Hazeltine, shut it down
and the equipment has all been sold off. The mine track has been
taken up and the property now looks like any other abandoned mine.

It is my understanding that Mr. Hazeltine is willing to sell the
property to recover the amount of money which he has put into it,
and sets that as his figure.

I had great hopes that the New Strike would develop into a real
mine.

B. W. Brown

NAME OF MINE: NEW STRIKE		COUNTY: YAVAPAI
		DISTRICT: B
		METALS: ZN
OPERATOR AND ADDRESS:		MINE STATUS
DATE:		DATE:
5/1/44	M. Hazeltine, Box 871, Prescott	5/1/44 Dormant

NAME OF MINE: NEW STRIKE		COUNTY: YAVAPAI
		DISTRICT: C
		METALS: ZN
OPERATOR AND ADDRESS:		MINE STATUS
DATE:		DATE:
5/13/44	Owner: Moses Hazeltine Prescott Lessee: C. L. Baker (deceased)	5/13/44 Closed

DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES

REPORT TO OPA ON ACTIVE MINING PROJECT

Date Nov 20 - 1944
 Name of Mine New Stake
 Owner or Operator Robert L. Patterson
 Address Blue Lane - Prescott
 Mine Location 10 miles out from Prescott

Filing Information

File System.....
 File No.....
 This chart to be used for gallons of gasoline required per month.

PRESENT OPERATIONS: (check X)

Production ; Development ; Financing.....; Sale of mine.....
 Experimental (sampling).....; Owner's occasional trip.....
 Other (specify).....

PRODUCTION: Past and Future.

Tons

Approx. tons last 3 months
 Approx. present rate per 3 months
 Anticipated rate next 3 months
 If in distant future check (X) here

EQUIPMENT OPERATED:

Type	Quantity or Horse Power	Miles or Hours Per Month	Gallons Required Per Month
Personal Cars	660	45-
Light or Service Trucks
Ore Hauling Trucks
Compressors
Other Mine or Mill Eqpt.

PRODUCT PRODUCED OR CONTEMPLATED: Name metals or minerals.

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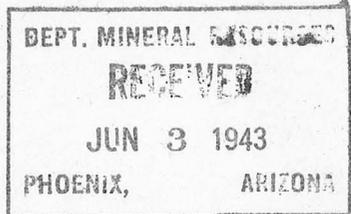
REMARKS:

Mr Robert L. Patterson and Andy Linkel are working the New Stake which produces Zinc, Lead and Silver some copper.
I recommend Mr Patterson be given 45 gal per mo

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By J. B. Weber
Chief Engineer

June 1, 1943



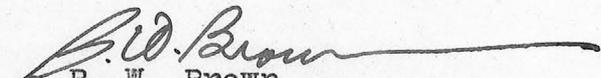
Memorandum

To: J. S. Coupal

From: B. W. Brown

Subject: The New Strike Mine, Walker District

The New Strike Mine is owned by M. B. Hazeltine and is leased to C. L. Baker of Prescott, who is now operating it. Mr. Baker has three men working, cleaning out a 40 foot shaft, by nature of prospecting. The principal metal is zinc. No ore was shipped last month. About 50 tons of ore stand ready to ship.


B. W. Brown

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FIELD ENGINEERS REPORT

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Date Nov 2nd, 1942

Engineer A. C. Nebeker

Location Prescott, Ariz.

Mine New Strike,
District Walker, Yavapia Co, Ariz.
Former name Berberich Mine

Owner Moses Hazeltine

Address Prescott, Ariz.

Operator C. L. Baker (Lessee)

Address Prescott, Ariz.

President

Gen. Mgr.

Mine Supt.

Mill Supt.

Principal Metals Lead, zinc, silver, gold.

Men Employed 3

Production Rate Since 10th Oct, 150 tons .

Mill: Type & Cap.

Power: Amt. & Type Gasoline portable compressor.

Operations: Present Drifting along the vein on the tunnel level and saving what ore is made in this work.

Operations Planned After drifting for 50 feet more a winze will be sunk on the widest place in the ore, and go with the ore as deep as indications justifies.

Number Claims, Title, etc. 7 mining claim locations, title acquired by purchase from the Berberich brothers.

Description: Topog. & Geog. The property is nine miles out from Prescott, Ariz. Elev. about 6000 feet and the mountains are covered with the usual pine growth of this district.

Mine Workings: Amt. & Condition The property is opened by a tunnel of 250 feet. The first 50 feet with direction east, then it turns southeast and goes in for another 200 feet. The tunnel is equipped with pipe line and mine track. The workings are in good condition and stands well.

Geology & Mineralization The formation is granite and schist intruded by porphyry dikes. The upper part of the vein is oxidized and produced gold ores, from the tunnel level down the sulphides come in and the values are in lead-zinc and silver with a small amount of gold. The vein is 4 to 6 feet thick with a N.W. Strike and a schist hanging wall.

Ore: Positive & Probable, Ore Dumps, Tailings
There is no positive ore, the ore is mines as the drift is run, and same is shipped to the Iron King Mill, Humboldt.
The ore mined to date assays, Lead 6%. Zinc 15%. Silver 110zs, Gold. 07 Ozs.

Mine, Mill Equipment & Flow Sheet none
Address: Prescott, Ariz.
Address: Prescott, Ariz.
Gen. Mgr.
Owner: Moses Hazelgrine
Operator: O. L. Baker (Leasee)
President

Road Conditions, Route Follow the Walker road for about 6 miles out of Prescott then turn off to the right at sign of Berberich mine and follow this good road for 3 miles to the mine.
Principal Metals: Lead, zinc, silver, gold.
Production Rate Since 1904 Oct, 150 tons.
Mill: Type & Cap.

Water Supply Little in the tunnel and more water can be had in the gulch.
Operations: Present. Drifting along the vein on the tunnel level and saving what ore is made in this work.
Power: Amt & Type: Gasoline portable compressor.

Brief History

Operations Planned: After drifting for 50 feet more a winze will be sunk on the west place in the ore, and go with the ore as deep as indications justify.

Special Problems, Reports Filed
Just need development.

Remarks For the amount of work done the property is showing up very good.

If property for sale: Price, terms and address to negotiate.
It can be bought

Signed *Al Heberker*

DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES
STATE OF ARIZONA
FIELD ENGINEERS REPORT

Mine NEW STRIKE (Formerly Berberich Mine)

Date November 2, 1942

District Walker, Yavapai Co., Arizona

Engineer A. C. Nebeker

Subject:

Owner: Moses Hazeltine, Prescott, Arizona.

Operator: C. L. Baker (Lessee), Prescott, Arizona

Principal Metals: Lead, zinc, silver, gold.

Men employed: Three

Production Rate: Since 10th October, 150 tons.

Power: Amt. & Type: Gasoline Portable Compressor

Operations: Present - Drifting along the vein on the tunnel level and saving what ore is made in this work.

Operations Planned: After drifting for 50 feet more a winze will be sunk on the widest place in the ore, and go with the ore as deep as indications justifies.

Number Claims, Title, Etc: Seven mining claim locations, title acquired by purchase from the Berberich brothers.

Description: Topog. & Geog: The property is nine miles out from Prescott, Ariz. Elev. about 6000 feet and the mountains are covered with the usual pine growth of this district.

Mine Workings: Amt. & Condition: The property is opened by a tunnel of 250 feet. The first 50 feet with direction east, then it turns southeast and goes in for another 200 feet. The tunnel is equipped with pipe line and mine track. The workings are in good condition and stands well.

Geology & Mineralization: The formation is granite and schist intruded by porphyry dikes. The upper part of the vein is oxidized and produced gold ores, from the tunnel level down the sulphides come in and the values are in lead-zinc and silver with a small amount of gold. The vein is 4 to 6 feet thick with a N. W. Strike and a schist hanging wall.

Ore: Positive & Probable, Ore Dumps, Tailings - There is no positive ore, the ore is mined as the drift is run, and same is shipped to the Iron King Mill, Humboldt. The ore mined to date assays, Lead 6%. Zinc 15%. Silver 11 ozs. Gold .07 ozs.

Mine, Mill Equipment & Flow Sheet: None

Road Conditions, Route: Follow the Walker road for about 6 miles out of Prescott then turn off to the right at signe of Berberich mine and follow this good road for 3 miles to the mine.

NEW STRIKE

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Water Supply: Little in the tunnel and more water can be had in the gulch.

Specials Problems, Reports Filed: Just need development.

REMARKS: For the amount of workdone the property is showing up very good.

If property for sale: Price, terms and address to negotiate: It can be bought.

Signed: A. C. Nebeker.

DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES
STATE OF ARIZONA
OWNERS MINE REPORT

Date
Nov 2nd, 1942

1. Mine
New Strike,
2. Mining District & County
Walker, Yavapia Co, Ariz.
3. Former name
Berberich Mine
4. Location
A. C. Nebeker
Prescott, Ariz.
5. Owner
Moses Hazeltine
6. Address (Owner)
Prescott, Ariz.
7. Operator
C. L. Baker (Lessee)
8. Address (Operator)
Prescott, Ariz.
9. President
10. Gen. Mgr.
11. Mine Supt.
12. Mill Supt.
13. Principal Metals
Lead, zinc, s ilver, gold.
14. Men Employed 3
15. Production Rate
Since 10th Oct, 150 tons .
16. Mill: Type & Cap.
17. Power: Amt. & Type
Gasoline portable compressor.
18. Operations: Present
Drifting along the vein on the tunnel level and saving what ore
is made in this work.
19. Operations Planned
After drifting for 50 feet more a winze will be sunk on the widest
place in the ore, and go with the ore as deep as indications justifies.
20. Number Claims, Title, etc.
7 mining claim locations, title acquired by purchase from the
Berberich brot hers.
21. Description: Topography & Geography
The property is nine miles out from Prescott, Ariz. Elev. about
6000 feet and the mountains are covered with the usual pine growth of this district.
22. Mine Workings: Amt. & Condition
The property is opened by a tunnel of 250 feet. The first 50
feet with direction east, then it turn/s southeast and goes in for another 200 feet.
The tunnel is equiped with pipe line and mine track. The workings are in good condition
and stands well.

23. Geology & Mineralization

The formation is granite and schist intruded by porphyry dikes. The upper part of the vein is oxidized and produced gold ores, from the tunnel level down the sulphides come in and the values are in lead-zinc and silver with a small amount of gold. The vein is 4 to 6 feet thick with a N.W. Strike and a schist hanging wall.

24. Ore: Positive & Probable, Ore Dumps, Tailings

There is no positive ore, the ore is mined as the drift is run, and same is shipped to the Iron King Mill, Humboldt.

The ore mined to date assays, Lead 6%. Zinc 15%. Silver 110zs, Gold.07 Ozs.

24-A Vein Width, Length, Value, etc.

none

25. Mine, Mill Equipment & Flow Sheet

Follow the Walker road for about 6 miles out of Prescott then turn off to the right at sign of Berberich mine and follow this good road for 3 miles to the mine.

26. Road Conditions, Route

Little in the tunnel and more water can be had in the gulch.

27. Water Supply

28. Brief History

Just need development.

29. Special Problems, Reports Filed

For the amount of work done the property is showing up very good.

30. Remarks

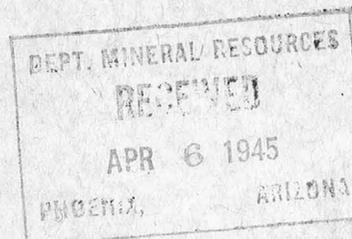
It can be bought

31. If property for sale: Price, terms and address to negotiate.

32. Signed.....

33. Use additional sheets if necessary.

Prescott, Ariz.
April 4th, 1945.



To Whom it Concerns:

This is an appeal and recommendation that Pvt. Robert L. Patterson who is now in the Army be released to return to his lead mining operations.

The reasons for this request is that lead now is very short and critical and manpower is needed to mine more lead.

There is now a need of some 4000 more men ~~needed~~ in the lead mines in order to get out the lead needed for our armed forces.

Mr Patterson is a partner with Mr Zinkl on a lead mine, which was producing under Mr Clide Baker, but at the death of Mr Baker the property was closed down until Messrs Patterson and Zinkl took working agreement on it.

The property has the necessary mining equipment and can produce at once if Mr Patterson is permitted to return to the mine.

By reason of the fact, that Mr Zinkl is a in a Keyman position at the Iron King mine, a producer of lead-zinc ores, he is unable to direct the work at their property, The New Strike.

Mr Patterson can do mining and run the machinery and is an important man for that work.

Taking into consideration the above facts, I ask that Mr Patterson be returned to the lead mining industry.

Yours truly

A. C. Nebeker
Engineer, Department of Mineral Resources
State of Arizona.

January 8, 1943

Mr. Clyde L. Baker
234 Park Avenue
Prescott, Arizona

Dear Mr. Baker:

I have before me your letter to Mr. W. C. Broadgate of January 4 and his reply of January 6.

I am enclosing the proper form on which to make application for a P-56 Serial Number. This application, upon completion, should be mailed direct to Washington.

We do not have the PD-1-a forms but when and if the P-56 is granted to you, you will be supplied with the PD-1-a by the War Production Board.

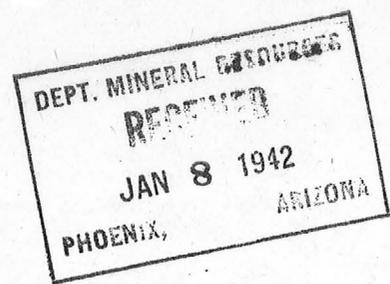
I am enclosing a copy of Mr. Nebeker's report on the New Strike Mine which may be of assistance to you in obtaining your Serial Number. I suggest that this report be attached to your application blank.

Very truly yours,

Earl F. Hastings
Assistant Director
and Projects Engineer

RFH:kk
Enclosures 2

cc - Mr. A. C. Nebeker
Box 1175
Prescott, Arizona



Jan. 6, 1942

Hotel Harrington,
Washington, D.C.

Mr. Clyde Baker,
234 Park Ave.,
Prescott, Ariz.

Dear Clyde,

I was pleased to get your letter of the 4th. I have been following your activities in the prints and am glad to see you are apparently doing so well. You deserve to, having been so persistent all these years.

You say that you have sent a letter asking for a P-56 number.

I cannot understand why you do not (you and many others) consult with our engineer before taking steps like this.

A letter will get you nowhere. You must file form FD-542 with supporting data before you can get a P-56. I think you should stand a good chance of getting a P-56 fairly promptly considering the assays on your ore as it is a zinc property actually. Also the fact that you are in production will count heavily.

Still, you have to file the correct forms and data (which Nebeker should have). If you will do this and let me know when you file it I can help you as I know the people personally who handle P-56 serial numbers.

You understand that you cannot purchase equipment on the P-56. You have to file a FD-1-a for the hammer or other equipment. A FD-1-a is granted more easily to one who has a P-56. You should file the FD-1-a at the same time and state when you file it that you have filed for a P-56.

You will find that it always pays to find out the correct procedure before acting on any government matter, or you will waste a lot of time. Trager will probably send you back the forms, which you could have had from Neb and saved several days or a week or more of time. Remember that there is a form for practically everything, and that in only a few cases is it possible to initiate a procedure with a letter. When you file FD-542, be sure and supplement it with all the information you can, including copies of settlement sheets.

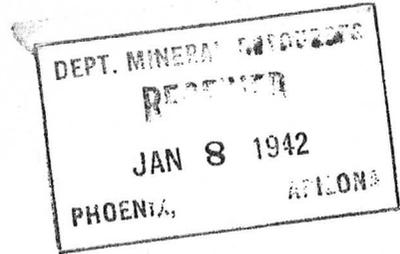
With best regards,

Very truly yours,

W. C. Broadgate
Asst. Director

234 - Park Ave
Prescott Arizona
Jan. 4th 1943

Mr. W. C. Broadgate,
Hotel Harrington
Washington D.C.



Dear Bill:

No doubt you will be surprised to hear from me but am having a little trouble getting necessary machinery for operating to capacity. I am sending a letter tonight to W.P.B.

I am sending Room 1417 Temporary Bldg R. for Earl Trager a P-56 Serial number that is if I Rate one.

I need mostly a heavier jack hammer to drill the 4 to 7 feet of fine ore which I am now

winning.

It is almost solid sulphides and during development have been shipping about 125 tons per month since Sept. 1st but expect 250 to 300 this month with a larger hammer as I have sufficient air now to run it.

Something like a Gardner 55 Cochrane 70 or Ingersoll J.S.

There is not a used hammer of this type to be had here.

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Will you follow this matter up for me
and see what can be done and as soon
as possible.

I am sending you a settlement sheet of the
last small lot shipped in Dec. which please
return to me for my records as soon as
you are through with it.

Have been working the Berberich Property
since Sept. 1st which is on the Walker road
the 7 mile ranch.
First part

The deeper I sink the heavier zinc and lead
and the lower the Gold and Silver.

Sure looks like a winner and will
work 3 shafts as soon as I can possibly do so.

Thanking you for past favors and any help
you may give me on this I am.

Yours very truly -

C. L. Butler.

New Strike Mines -

Oct 16th, 1923

You can develop this territory by crosscuts and
drifts from your present shaft when sufficient depth is
reached, that is about 600 feet. I believe that would be
more advisable than sinking a shaft. I cannot help but be very enthusiastic
showing and consider it fully as important as anything you
have. I am looking forward anxiously until the time comes

Mr. Luther D. Lovekin, Pres.,
The Curran Mining Company,
Walker, Ariz.

Dear Mr. Lovekin:-

I went out to the mine yesterday and made
an examination of the place you mentioned, that is, the
mineralization on the New Strike Claim to the west of the shaft.

I had seen this place before but thought that most of it was
on Sheldon Ground. I traced out the lines yesterday however,
and find that most of this showing is on the New Strike Claim,
therefore on your ground.

This showing is the southwest extension of the Capital
vein system, which I consider one of the best mineralized
conditions on the Sheldon Group. It is a three vein system,
similar to the one the shaft is on, and it enters your ground
from the Sheldon approximately at the north corner of the New
Strike Claim. I believe that this is the same mineralized
condition, or vein system, that shows up so well on the Dyson
Claim. The ground between these two points is, as you know,
heavily wooded and covered with soil overburden so that the
veins cannot be definitely traced on the surface without some
opening up, but the strike is in line for, and the character
of the ore similar to the showing on the Dyson.

As mentioned above this is a three vein system,
similar to others in the district, and I am familiar with its
characteristics throughout the Sheldon ground. When this system
enters the New Strike Claim the three veins are distinct and
separated by small dikes or tongues of quartz-diorite. As it
progresses further toward the southwest the dikes disappear
and the veins join together making one wide vein about 150
feet across. Samples on this cropping assay from two to eight
dollars, most all in gold.

On account of the extensive mineralization and large
size I consider this condition very important. It is so close
to the precedent established by the Sheldon that I believe
important copper values will be developed as soon as sufficient
depth is obtained. Reasonable copper values together with a
few dollars in gold and silver, in an orebody of that size
can make an important mine by itself.

Oct 16th, 1923

You can develop this territory by crosscuts and drifts from your present shaft when sufficient depth is reached, that is about 600 feet. I believe that would be more advisable than sinking a separate shaft.

I cannot help but be very enthusiastic about this showing and consider it fully as important as anything you have. I am looking forward anxiously until the time comes when it can be run under it. I had seen this place before but thought that most of it was on Sheldon Ground. I try to remember yesterday however, and find that most of this showing is on the New Strike Claim, therefore on your ground.

This showing is the southwest extension of the Capital vein system, which I consider one of the best mineralized conditions on the Sheldon Group. It is a three vein system, similar to the one the shaft is on, and it enters your ground from the Sheldon approximately at the north corner of the New Strike Claim. I believe that this is the same mineralized condition, or vein system, that shows up so well on the Dyson Claim. The ground between these two points is, as you know, heavily wooded and covered with soil overburden so that the veins cannot be definitely traced on the surface without some opening up, but the strike is in line for, and the character of the ore similar to the showing on the Dyson.

As mentioned above this is a three vein system, similar to others in the district, and I am familiar with its characteristics throughout the Sheldon Ground. When this system enters the New Strike Claim the three veins are distinct and separated by small dikes or tongues of quartz-dike. As it progresses further toward the southwest the dikes disappear and the veins join together making one wide vein about 150 feet across. Samples on this property assay from two to eight dollars, most all in gold.

On account of the extensive mineralization and large size I consider this condition very important. It is so close to the precedent established by the Sheldon that I believe important copper values will be developed as soon as sufficient depth is obtained. Reasonable copper values together with a few dollars in gold and silver, in an orebody of that size can make an important mine by itself.