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## ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF MINES AND MINERAL RESOURCES FILE DATA

PRIMARY NAME: PLOMOSA PROPERTY

**ALTERNATE NAMES:** 

FALCON MINING CO PROPERTY

OLD JOE LEE

GILA COUNTY MILS NUMBER: 30B

LOCATION: TOWNSHIP 3 S RANGE 15 E SECTION 31 QUARTER NW LATITUDE: N 33DEG 07MIN 56SEC LONGITUDE: W 110DEG 51MIN 25SEC

TOPO MAP NAME: EL CAPITAN MTN - 7.5 MIN

**CURRENT STATUS: PAST PRODUCER** 

COMMODITY:

LEAD SILVER ZINC

**BIBLIOGRAPHY:** 

USGS EL CAPITAN MTN QUAD ADMMR PLOMOSA MINE FILE ADMMR "U" FILE PB 11

## DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES STATE OF ARIZONA

FIELD ENGINEERS REPORT

Plomosa Mine. ,

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Date

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(Falcon Mining Company, Lessee.) District Mineral Creek.

Engineer

A. Macfarlane.

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Drifting 200', inclusive of short cross-cuts,	2000.00
Road and trail re-conditioning will require	1000.00

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## WORKING COSTS.

As the ore deposit and the schist casing matter is all rather soft, the cost per foot for mining should be low, and until such time as extensive stoping requires adequate timbering, no great amount of timber is needed for the exploration work proposed.

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Rail freight to El Paso, average " 3.50

Estimated mining cost per ton, of 6.00

Total - \$16.75

## CONCLUSION

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Plomose Mine

Date

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District

(Falson Mining Company, Lessee) Mineral Creek.

Engineer

Subject:

N. W.

Pinal County, Arizona

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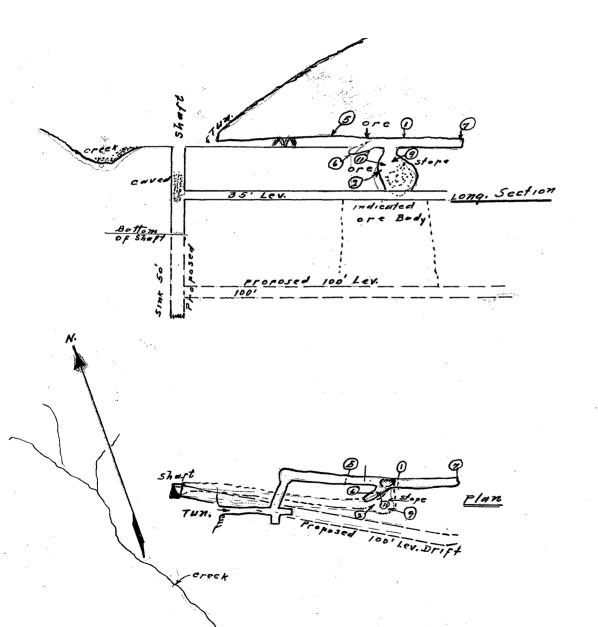
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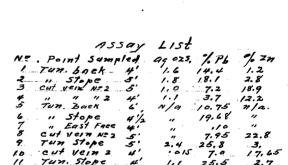
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Sketch Plan and Section

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Scale 1st to 50st July 10-19

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R. Macfarlame Field Eng

RECEIVED SEP 25 1943
PHOENIX, ARIZONA

Department of Mineral Resources, State of Arizona, Phoenix Arizona.

Gentlemen:

Summit Lodge, Superior Arizona. Sep't 22'nd, 1 9 4 3.

In re- Plomosa Lead Mine,
Dripping Springs,
Mining Dis t.
Gila County, Ariz.

We are attempting to put into production a former lead producing mine, as above described, and on which your field engineer Mr. A. McFarlane, submitted a report to your office under date of July 12'th, 1943.

We are at the present time doing some rehabilitation work on said property under a limited loan of \$2000.00 from R. F. C. Since the time of Mr. McFarlane's report we have made one shipment of one car of ore to El Paso, consisting of 17,130 pounds of lead. This property has real outstanding possibilities, we believe, as a heavy producer of lead, however, the property is extremely inaccessible being approximately two miles from point where truck can pick up ore. The shipment made was packed by burros this distance of two miles but the same is very rough and difficult to travel.

We would like to make application for access road to this property and would appreciate your consideration of this application and refer the same if necessary for further consideration. About two thirds of the distance referred to, was formerly developed as a wagon trail and we believe same could be rehabilitated at least in part and we would be of the opinion that the total cost of installation of truck road to this mine would be approxamately \$4000.00

We would very much appreciate your consideration of this application.

Very Respectfully Yours,

FALCON MINING COMPANY

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#### MIMAORANDUM

To:

A. Macfarlane

From:

J. S. Counal

Subject:

REPORT ON PLOMOSA MINE; FALCON MINING COMPANY, LESSEE

Your letter of July 17th with the report and map received.

I cm having copies of the report and a blueprint of the map made and will forward these to the  $R_*F_*C_*$  as soon as possible. We do not send the original to the  $R_*F_*C_*$  but I will see that they are supplied with copies.

J.F.C.

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Date July 17th, 1943

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Subject:

Department Of Mineral Resources Phoenix, Arizona.

Gentlemen;

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The application for an R.F.C. loan in connection with this property, has just been forwarded by Mr Keller, and he is depending on our office to hand into the R.F.C. the original report and a photostatic map.

Today I made an examination of a Manganese Mine called the Lillian, report and map of this will follow.

Very truly Yours.

a. Macfarlane