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MINING CLAIM FORMS

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The forms in this circular may be reproduced for filing with the Bureau of Land Management and the County Recorders' office. There are no officially designated forms, but the forms provided meet the statutes and the requirements of these agencies. These forms may also be downloaded from the Department website, www.admmr.state.az.us/claimforms.pdf in PDF format.

The following is a brief summary of the filing process for Federal mining claims:

Mineral rights can be obtained on State or Federal lands that are open to mineral entry. Mining claims, leases, and mineral material sales apply to Federal Lands. Prospecting permits, leases, and material sales apply to State Trust Land. The process is complex, but can be accomplished by the average citizen.

Mining claims cannot be used as a residence or home site. Under the current moratorium on patenting claims, no title to the land can be obtained.

The minimum recording expenditure is about \$150 for a federal mining claim.

The steps in acquiring mineral rights are generally as follows:

1. Find an area of interest and determine its legal description (i.e. Township, Range, Section, etc.)
2. Determine surface and subsurface ownership status as explained in ADMMR Special Report SR23, *Manual for Determination of Status and Ownership, Arizona Mineral and Water Rights*
3. Acquire and maintain mineral rights as described in ADMMR Special Report SR12, *Laws and Regulations Governing Mineral Rights in Arizona*.

The above publications may be ordered from ADMMR or perused at the Department's office and at many Arizona libraries.

LOCATION NOTICE FOR LODE MINING CLAIM

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the _____ lode mining claim has been located by _____, whose current mailing address is _____.

The general course of this claim is _____ and it is situated in _____ County, Arizona.

This claim is _____ feet in length and _____ feet in width. This claim runs from the location monument on which this location notice is posted approximately _____ feet in a _____ direction to the _____ end line and _____ feet in a _____ direction to the _____ end line. This claim is marked by six monuments, one at each corner and one at the center of each end line of the claim.

The location monument on which this notice is posted is situated within Section _____, Township _____, Range _____, Gila Salt River Base and Meridian, Arizona and this claim encompasses portions of the following quarter section (s), section (s), Township (s) and Range (s) _____, Gila Salt River Base and Meridian, Arizona.

The locality of this claim with reference to some natural object or permanent monument and additional information (if any) concerning its locality are as follows: _____

DATED AND POSTED on the ground this _____ day of _____, 20____.

LOCATOR (s)

LOCATION NOTICE FOR PLACER MINING CLAIM

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the _____ placer mining claim has been located by _____, whose current mailing address is _____.

The general course of this claim is _____ and it is situated in _____ County, Arizona.

This claim is _____ feet in length and _____ feet in width. This claim runs from the location monument on which this location notice is posted approximately _____ feet in a _____ direction to the _____ end line and _____ feet in a _____ direction to the _____ end line. This claim is marked by four monuments, one at each corner of the claim.

The location monument on which this notice is posted is situated within Section _____, Township _____, Range _____, Gila Salt River Base and Meridian, Arizona. This claim encompasses portions of the following legal subdivisions (s) (if located by legal subdivisions) or the following quarter section (s), section (s), Township (s) and Range (s) _____,

Gila Salt River Base and Meridian, Arizona.

The locality of this claim with reference to some natural object or permanent monument and additional information (if any) concerning its locality are as follows: _____

DATED AND POSTED on the ground this _____ day of _____, 20____.

LOCATOR (s)

CLAIM MAP

Lode () Placer ()

Scale : 1" = _____.

1. The above map depicts the _____ mining claim, which is located in Section (s) _____, Township _____, Range _____, Gila and Salt River Base and Meridian, _____ County, Arizona.

2. The type of corner and location monuments used are as follows: _____
_____.

3. The bearings and distances in degrees and feet between claim corners are as depicted on the map.

STATE OF ARIZONA, COUNTY OF _____ ss:

AFFIDAVIT OF PERFORMANCE OF ANNUAL WORK

_____, being duly sworn, according to law, deposes and says:
That he/she is a citizen of the United States, more than 18 years of age and resides at

_____, _____ County, Arizona;

That he/she is personally acquainted with the following unpatented mining claims which are situated in the _____ Mining District, _____ County, Arizona, the name(s), book(s) and page(s) or document number(s) of the recording or the location notice(s) in the office of the recorder of said county and the BLM serial numbers of which are as follows:

CLAIM NAME	COUNTY RECORDERS DATA	BLM AMC SERIAL No.	SEC.(s)	TOWNSHIP	RANGE

That _____, whose address is _____

_____, is the owner of the above-described claims;

That between the dates of _____ and _____ in
excess of _____ dollars (\$) _____ worth of work and improvements were done
and performed upon or for the benefit of this claim group;

That such work and improvements consisted of _____

_____ and were performed by _____

_____ ; and

That the above work and improvements were made by and at the expense of _____
_____ for _____ the owner of the claims, for the
purpose of complying with the laws of the United States pertaining to assessments or annual work.

DATED this _____ day of _____, 20____.

Owner, Claimant, Agent, or Lessee, _____

STATE OF ARIZONA, COUNTY OF _____ ss:

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me the _____ day of _____, 20____
by _____.

My Commission Expires: _____

Notary Public

NOTICE OF NON-LIABILITY FOR LABOR AND MATERIALS FURNISHED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned is the owner of the following described mine or unpatented mining claims situated in _____ County, Arizona, the names of which and the book(s) and page(s) or document number(s) of recording of the location notice(s) in the office of the recorder of said county and the BLM serial numbers of which, are as follows:

CLAIM NAME	COUNTY RECORDERS DATA	BLM AMC SERIAL No.	SEC.(s)	TOWNSHIP	RANGE

Pursuant to the terms of a _____ agreement entered into between the owner and _____ which is dated and is for a term commencing on _____ and ending on _____, the property will be in the possession of and operated by _____.

The owner is not and will not be working or operating the claims or mine or any part of the claims or mine and does not intend to purchase supplies or materials for the claims or mine or to employ any persons to labor thereon during the term of the above-described agreement.

The owner will not be liable for labor performed or materials or merchandise furnished in the operation or development of the claims or mine during the term of the above-described agreement, and the claims or mine will not be subject to a lien or any debts incurred for labor performed or materials or merchandise furnished for the operation or development of the claims or mine during the term of the agreement.

DATED AND POSTED on the ground this _____ day of _____, 20____.

OWNER _____

STATE OF ARIZONA, COUNTY OF _____ ss:

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me the _____ day of _____, 20____ by _____.

My Commission Expires: _____

Notary Public

STATE OF ARIZONA, COUNTY OF _____ SS:

NOTICE OF INTENT TO HOLD MINING CLAIMS
CERTIFICATION OF PAYMENT OF RENTAL FEE
(IN LIEU OF AFFIDAVIT OF ANNUAL ASSESSMENT WORK)

_____, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that:

1. He/she is one of the owners of the following described unpatented lode and/or placer mining claims (the "Claims") situated in _____ County, Arizona, the location notices of which are of record in said county, and in the records of the Arizona State Office of the Bureau of Land Management under the file numbers indicated as follows:

CLAIM NAME	COUNTY RECORDER'S DATA	BLM AMC SERIAL No.	SEC.(S)	TOWNSHIP	RANGE

Additional claims, if any, are listed on attached sheet.

2. Owner has paid an advance rental fee of \$100 per claim for the assessment year beginning on September 1, _____, in lieu of recording an affidavit of performance of annual assessment work. If applicable, owner further states, however, that mineral production activities have occurred upon the Claims during the past assessment year that would have ordinarily qualified as annual assessment work.

3. The name and address of the owners of the Claim(s) for which this Certificate is prepared is

THIS IS NOT A CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

4. The Claim(s) are held and claimed by the owner for the valuable mineral contained therein, and the owner intends to continue development of the claim(s).

DATED this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

Owner, Claimant, Agent, or Lessee _____

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this _____ day of

_____, 20_____ by _____

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

Attachment listing additional claims

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