



## **CONTACT INFORMATION**

Mining Records Curator  
Arizona Geological Survey  
1520 West Adams St.  
Phoenix, AZ 85007  
602-771-1601  
<http://www.azgs.az.gov>  
[inquiries@azgs.az.gov](mailto:inquiries@azgs.az.gov)

The following file is part of the

Arizona Department of Mines and Mineral Resources Mining Collection

## **ACCESS STATEMENT**

These digitized collections are accessible for purposes of education and research. We have indicated what we know about copyright and rights of privacy, publicity, or trademark. Due to the nature of archival collections, we are not always able to identify this information. We are eager to hear from any rights owners, so that we may obtain accurate information. Upon request, we will remove material from public view while we address a rights issue.

## **CONSTRAINTS STATEMENT**

The Arizona Geological Survey does not claim to control all rights for all materials in its collection. These rights include, but are not limited to: copyright, privacy rights, and cultural protection rights. The User hereby assumes all responsibility for obtaining any rights to use the material in excess of "fair use."

The Survey makes no intellectual property claims to the products created by individual authors in the manuscript collections, except when the author deeded those rights to the Survey or when those authors were employed by the State of Arizona and created intellectual products as a function of their official duties. The Survey does maintain property rights to the physical and digital representations of the works.

## **QUALITY STATEMENT**

The Arizona Geological Survey is not responsible for the accuracy of the records, information, or opinions that may be contained in the files. The Survey collects, catalogs, and archives data on mineral properties regardless of its views of the veracity or accuracy of those data.

PRINTED: 08-07-2012

ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF MINES AND MINERAL RESOURCES AZMILS DATA

PRIMARY NAME: STEEPLE ROCK

ALTERNATE NAMES:

GRAHAM COUNTY MILS NUMBER: 92

LOCATION: TOWNSHIP 5 S RANGE 26 E SECTION 25 QUARTER SW  
LATITUDE: N 32DEG 57MIN 46SEC LONGITUDE: W 109DEG 38MIN 20SEC  
TOPO MAP NAME: SAFFORD - 15 MIN

CURRENT STATUS: PAST PRODUCER

COMMODITY:

GOLD  
SILVER  
COPPER

BIBLIOGRAPHY:

ADMMR STEEPLE ROCK MINE FILE  
ADMMR FILE

Pending

2 April 1940

Mr. R. S. West,  
Box 602,  
Safford, Arizona.

My dear Mr. West:

I thank you for your letter of March 31 giving  
me information the Steeple Rock Nos. 1 & 2.

I am enclosing herewith a blank Mine Owners  
Report, which I should suggest that you fill out in detail  
and return for filing so that I may have information  
concerning your property on hand in case of an inquiry.

With best wishes, I am

Yours very truly,

J. S. Coupal  
Director

JSC-jrf

encl.

Safford Arizona Mar 31-39

Department of Mineral Resources, State of Arizona.  
Mine Owner's Report.

Gent'l-

I am enclosing with this letter a plot of mining claims, two of which are mine Steeple Rock Nos 1&2. These claims are at an approximate elevation of 5,000ft.

They are easily accessible by road which for a short distance has suffered from cloudbursts.

A good road from Safford leads within a few hundred feet of this property.

Young and Ridgway of Safford are acquainted with this region and can furnish directions for reaching it.

This property is in the Lone Star mining district.

Enough water for camp uses can be depended on.

For the last six years this region has suffered from a shortage in the annual rainfall. Formerly when rainfall was normal, enough water was had to supply an extensive leaching plant for the San Juan copper mine just below us.

As to values I have openings on four different veins exposing in each one 10 inches of gold ore (free milling) which will run well over \$30.00 pr ton with the whole vein carrying considerable values.

In one place a 15 foot width shows values above \$10.00.

The ore carries very little silver, while some copper is met with. The road uphill to the mine can be easily repaired so that trucks can be used.

As to terms, there will be little difficulty on my part and I feel that any party who really wishes to become a mine owner will find what he wants here.

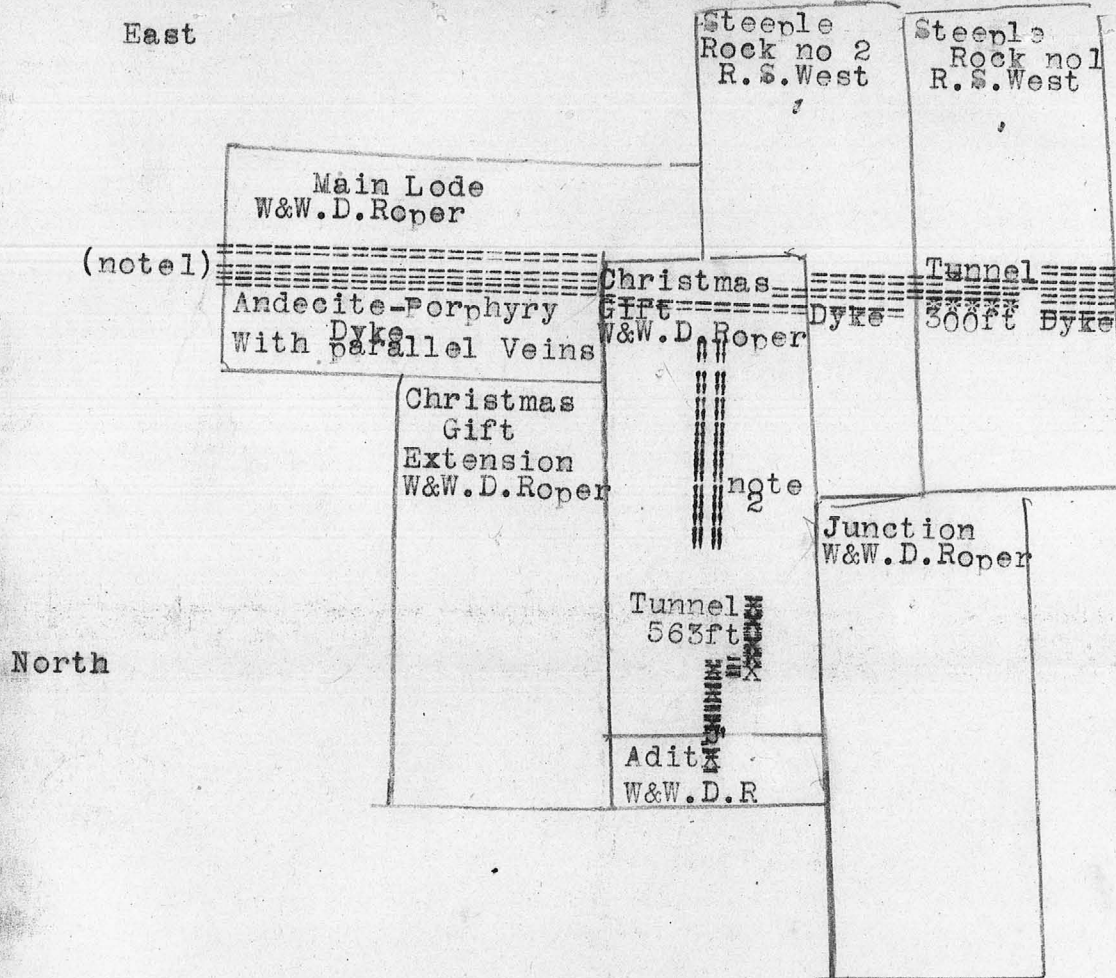
I ~~invite~~ invite the most careful investigation, and feel certain that actual conditions will be found to exceed my description.

I will <sup>send</sup> samples to your office at time of mailing this letter.

Very Truly

R. S. West  
Box 602 Safford Ariz





Note 1 This is an andesite-porphry dike traceable for miles.

It has a parallel system of quartz veins all gold bearing.

" 2 This is also a dyke similar to the other, with a true fissure on each side also gold bearing, this also can be traced for miles across country. The tunnel on Christmas Gift claim was driven in 1933 by parties who ran out of funds owing to the depression.

This work was done under the supervision of Colcock C. Jones, mining engineer of Los Angeles Calif. This tunnel was intended to intersect the upper dyke at a depth of five hundred feet.

These claims are all on the S.W. 1/4 of sec 25 Twp 5 range 26E. This ground was withheld from apportionment to the state after careful examination by Federal geologists.

R. S. West  
Safford Arizona.

AS-40

DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES  
STATE OF ARIZONA  
MINE OWNER'S REPORT

Date

3/31/40

1. Mine *STEEPLE ROCK.*
2. Location *ABOUT 10 MILES - N.E. OF SAFFORD T5S - R 26 E - SW 1/4 OF Sec. 25.*
3. Mining District & County *LONG STAR DISTRICT -- GRAHAM COUNTY --*
4. Former name \_\_\_\_\_
5. Owner *R. S. WEST.*
6. Address (Owner) *Box 602 - SAFFORD - ARIZ.*
7. Operator \_\_\_\_\_
8. Address (Operator) \_\_\_\_\_
9. President, Owning Co. \_\_\_\_\_
- 9A. President, Operating Co. \_\_\_\_\_
10. Gen. Mgr. \_\_\_\_\_
14. Principal Minerals *GOLD 30140 Ag & Cu.*
11. Mine Supt. \_\_\_\_\_
15. Production Rate \_\_\_\_\_
12. Mill Supt. \_\_\_\_\_
13. Men Employed \_\_\_\_\_
18. Operations: Present *none*
19. Operations: Planned *none*
20. Number Claims, Title, etc. *2 - STEEPLE ROCK #1 & #2. UNPATENTED. SEE SKETCH.*

STEEPLE ROCK

Au (Ag, Cu)

Graham

5 - 2

T 5 S, R 26 E

R. S. West, Box 602, Safford

'40

21. Description: Topography & Geography *5600 ft. ELEVATION Fort hills of Gila Mountains*

22. Mine Workings: Amt. & Condition *openings on 4 different veins. Present Tunnel - 563 feet. to intersect dike & parallel veins -*



23. Geology & Mineralization

Andesite - porphyry dike crosses property.  
Quartz (free milling) fissure vein.

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

One 10" vein - run 30 per ton in Gold.  
Another 15" (width) vein - shows 10. ore -

24A. Dimensions and Value of Ore body

25. Mine, Mill Equipment & Flow-Sheet

none

26. Road Conditions, Route

Good road from Safford to mine workings  
See Young & Ridgway of Safford for detailed  
directions.

27. Water Supply

Domestic camp supply of water from wells.  
Enough water was developed for San Juan Copper mine  
leaching plant - just below mine.

28. Brief History

29. Special Problems, Reports Filed

Samples on file in office.

30. Remarks

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

In sale - Terms from owner.  
Will make very reasonable deal to right parties.

32. Signature

R.E. West (see letter).

33. Use additional sheets if necessary.

DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES

News Items

Date

6/12

Mine

STEEPLE ROCK CLAIMS

Location

SAN JUAN DIST. N OF SAFFORD

Owner

ROLLIE WEST

Address

SAFFORD

Operating Co.

DOING ASSESSMENT

Address

Pres.

Genl. Mgr.

Mine Supt.

Mill Supt.

Principal Metals

Men Employed

Production Rate

Mill, Type & Capacity

Power, Amt. & Type

Signed

(Over)



MS-40

DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES  
STATE OF ARIZONA  
OWNERS MINE REPORT

Date March 31, 1940.

Mine Steeple Rock.

District Lone Star District, Graham County

Location About 10 miles N. E. of Safford  
T 5 N, R 26 E, SW  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 25.

Former name

Owner R. S. West.

Address Box 602, Safford, Arizona.

Operator

Address

President

Gen. Mgr.

Mine Supt.

Mill Supt.

Principal Metals Gold, some Ag. and Cu.

Men Employed

Production Rate

Mill: Type & Cap.

Power: Amt. & Type

Operations: Present None

Operations Planned None

Number Claims, Title, etc. 2 - Steeple Rock #1 and #2. Unpatented. See sketch.

Description: Topog. & Geog. 5000 feet elevation  
Foothills of Gila Mountains

Mine Workings: Amt. & Condition Openings on 4 different veins. Crosscut tunnel 563 ft. to intersect dike and parallel veins.

Geology & Mineralization Andesite, porphyry dike crosses property.  
Quartz (free milling) fissure vein.

Ore: Positive & Probable, Ore Dumps, Tailings One 10" vein - ore \$30 per ton in gold

another 15 ft. (width) vein - shows \$10 ore.

Mine, Mill Equipment & Flow Sheet

None

Road Conditions, Route Good road from Safford to mine workings. See Young & Ridgway of  
Safford for detailed directions.

Water Supply Domestic camp supply of water from wells. Enough water was developed  
for San Juan Copper Mine leaching plant - just below mine.

Brief History

Special Problems, Reports Filed Samples on file in office.

Remarks

If property for sale: Price, terms and address to negotiate. For sale - terms from owner.  
Will make very reasonable deal to right parties.

Signed.....R. E. West (see letter).....

Use additional sheets if necessary.