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# EDUCATION

Michigan Technological University 1948-1952 B.S. Geology South Dakota School of Mines and Technology 1954-1956 M.S. Geology

# EXPERIENCE

May 1968 - July 1983 District Geologist, Southwest area, CF&I Steel Corporation.

Duties consisted of evaluation of coal, iron ore and limestone reserves; patenting mining claims and permitting properties; supervising exploration, shaft sinking and underground development at the Glove Mine near Amado, Arizona; and supervising non-ferrous exploration projects in Arizona, Nevada, New Mexico, and California.

Dec. 1956 - May 1968 Geologist, CF&I Steel Corporation.

Duties consisted of detailed geologic mapping both surface and underground, planning and supervising drilling programs, running geophysical and geochemical surveys and reconnaissance mapping.

As an employee of CF&I, I was responsible for finding a 50,000,000-ton hematite ore body in Gila County, Arizona; a 25,000,000-ton oxide copper deposit in Cochise County, Arizona, and several high-grade extentions of lead-zinc deposits in Santa Cruz County, Arizona.

1955 (summer employment) Geologist, Bear Creek Mining Company.

Reconnaissance mapping and plane-table surveys.

Dec. 1952 - Sept. 1954 U.S. Army

Jun. 1952 - Dec. 1952 Geologist, U.S. Geological Survey, Florida Phosphate Project.

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"Wall Rock Contamination Adjoining Granite Pegmatites", M.S. Thesis, 1956.

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Mr. Grover Heinrichs, Vice President Commonwealth International, Inc. 1802 West Grant Road, Suite 110-4 Tucson, Arizona 85745

Dear Grover:

Enclosed find the report on Dragoon you requested.

Our present land status consists of 53 claims and 40 acres of state lease. We no longer have an agreement with the property owner or hold any prospecting permits.

Yours truly,

James R. Brooks

District Geologist

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February 25, 1975

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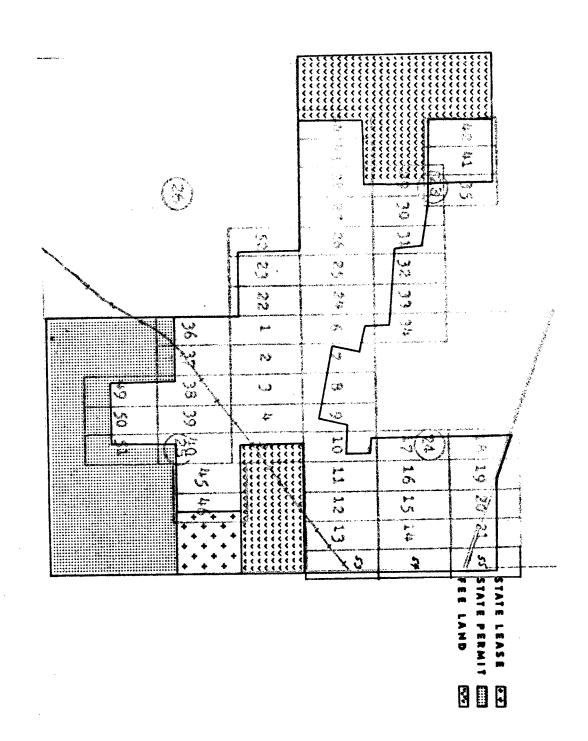
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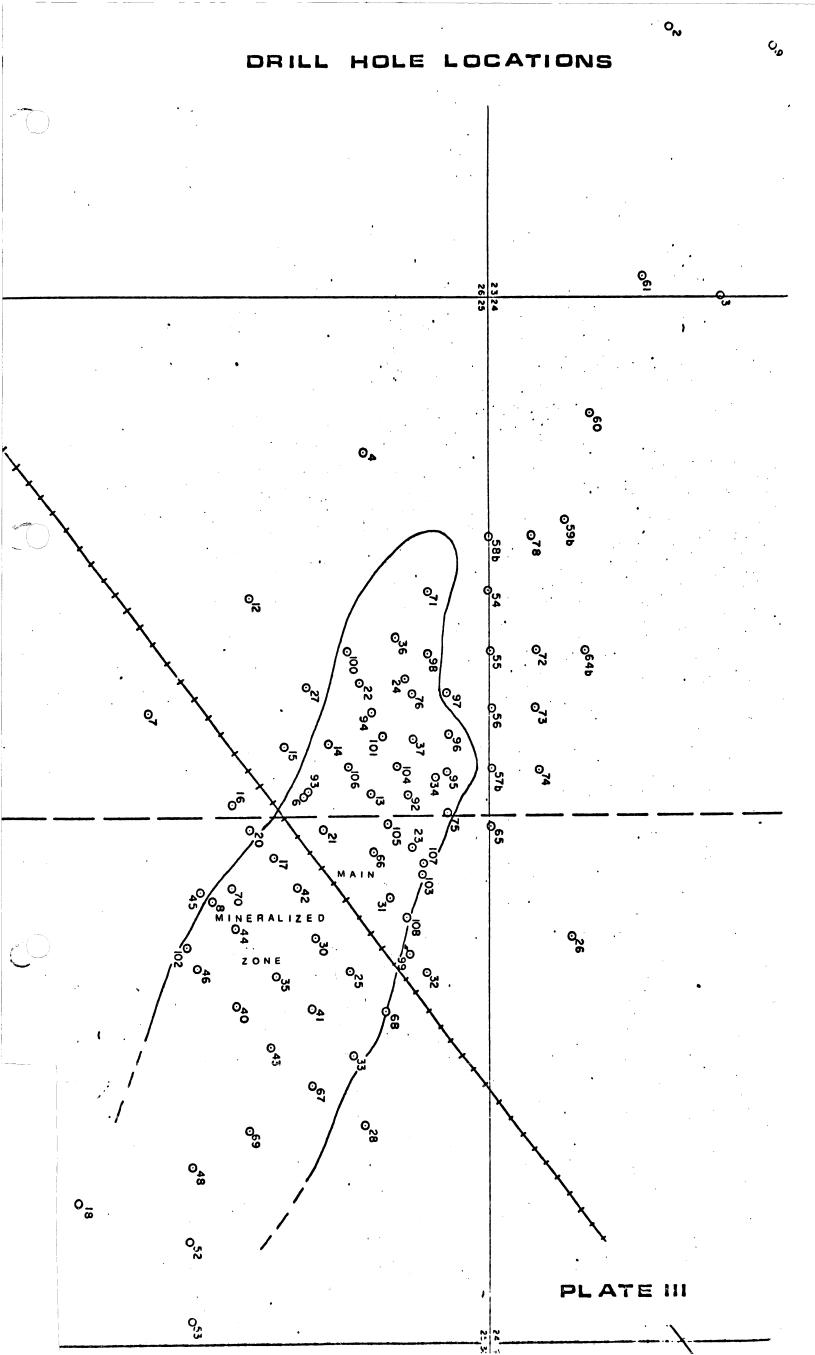
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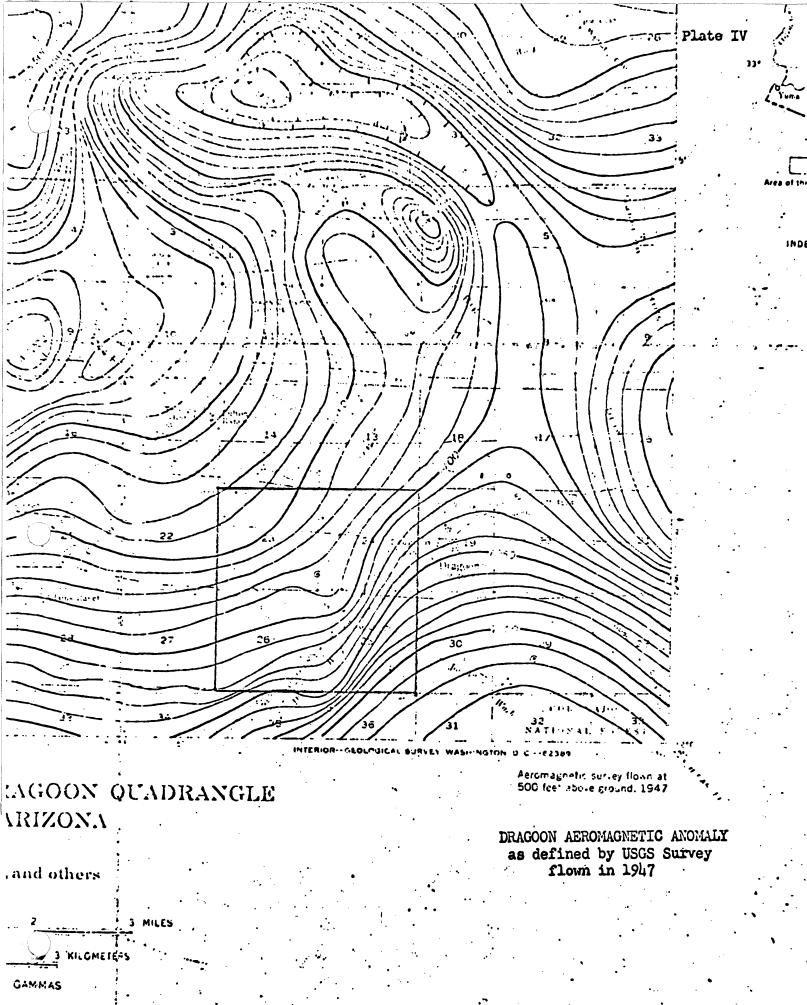
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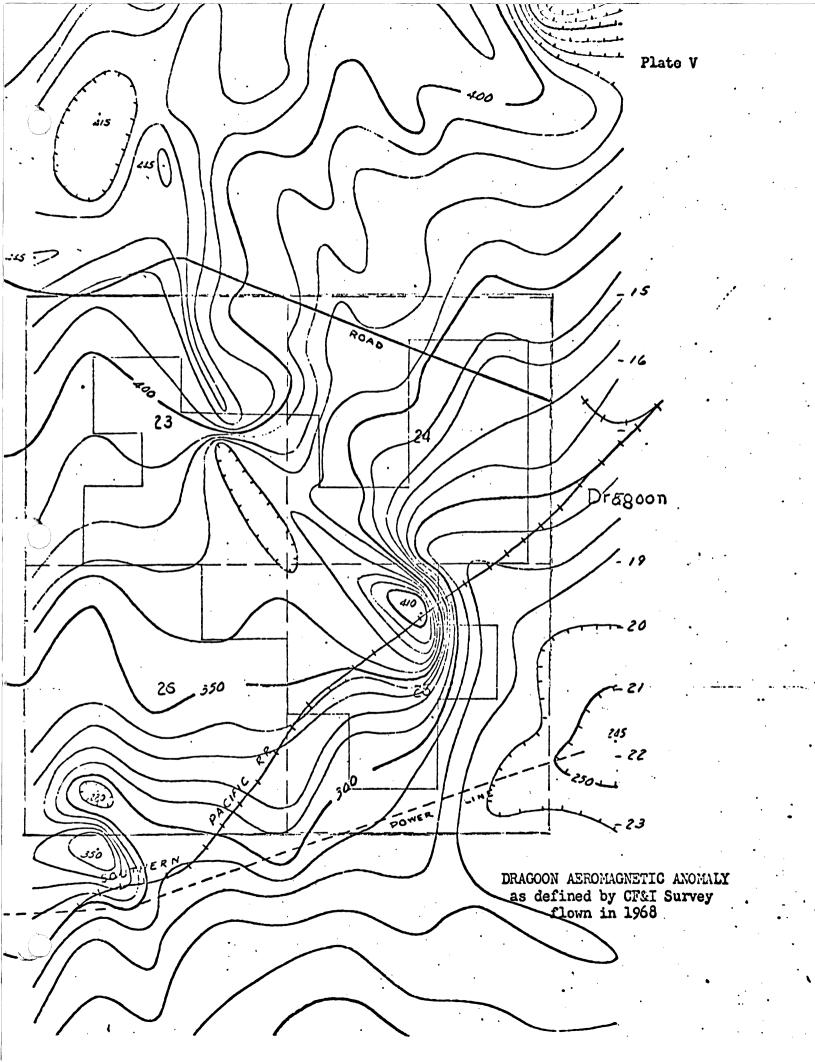
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# THE SUPERIOR OIL COMPANY Minerals Division

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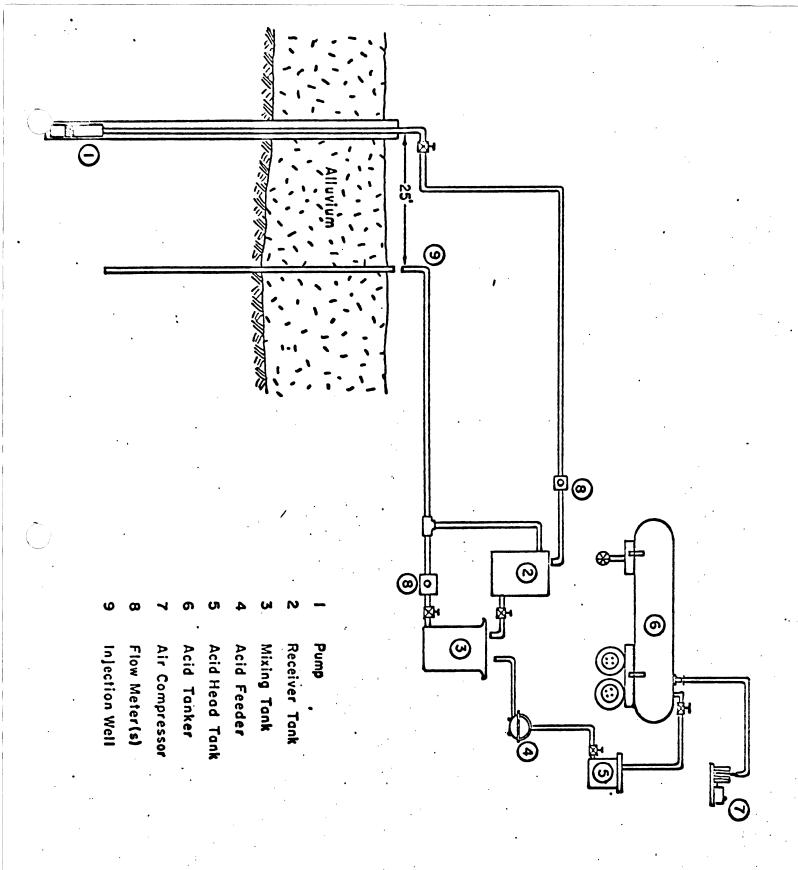


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# CF&I DRAGOON PROJECT

February 25, 1975

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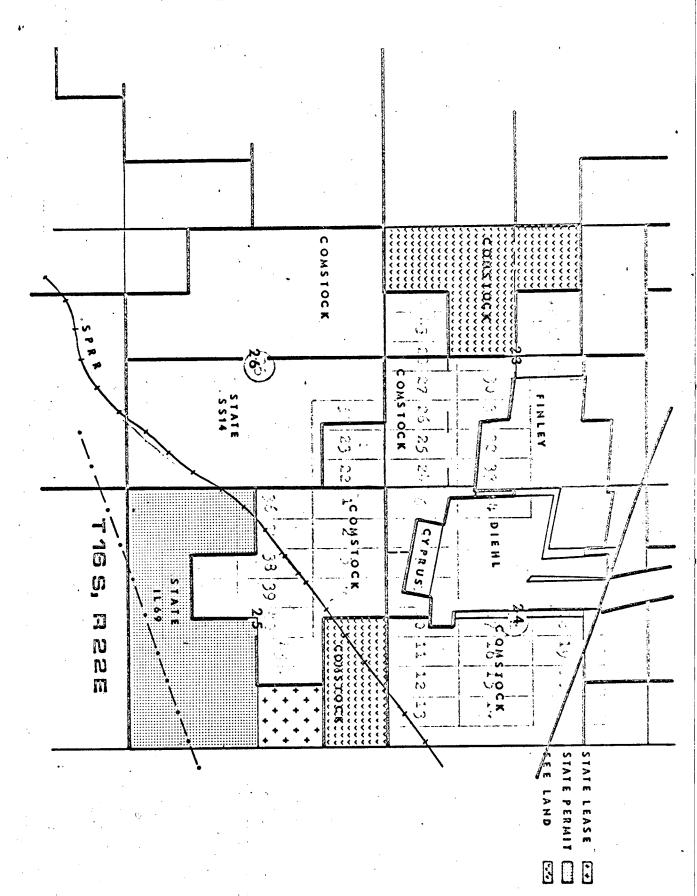
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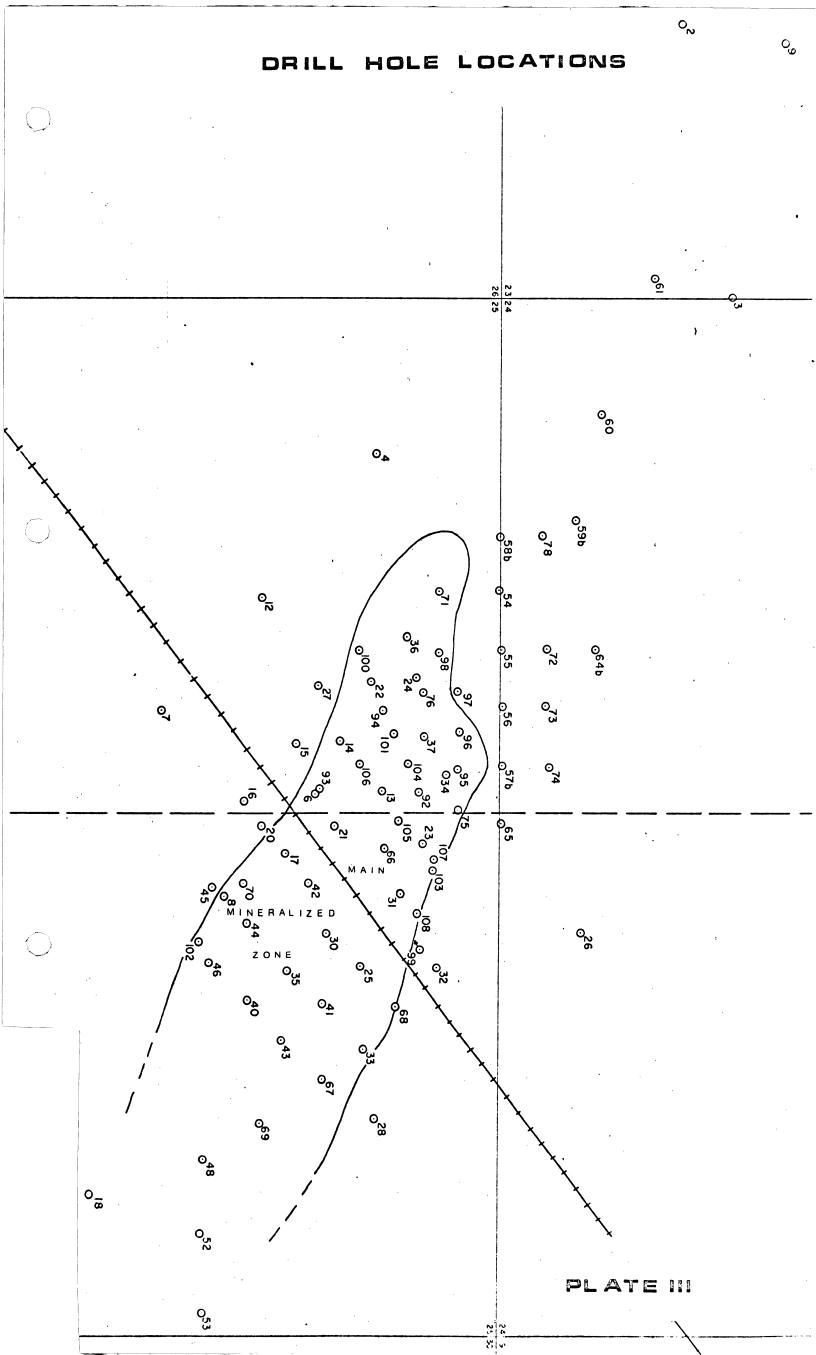
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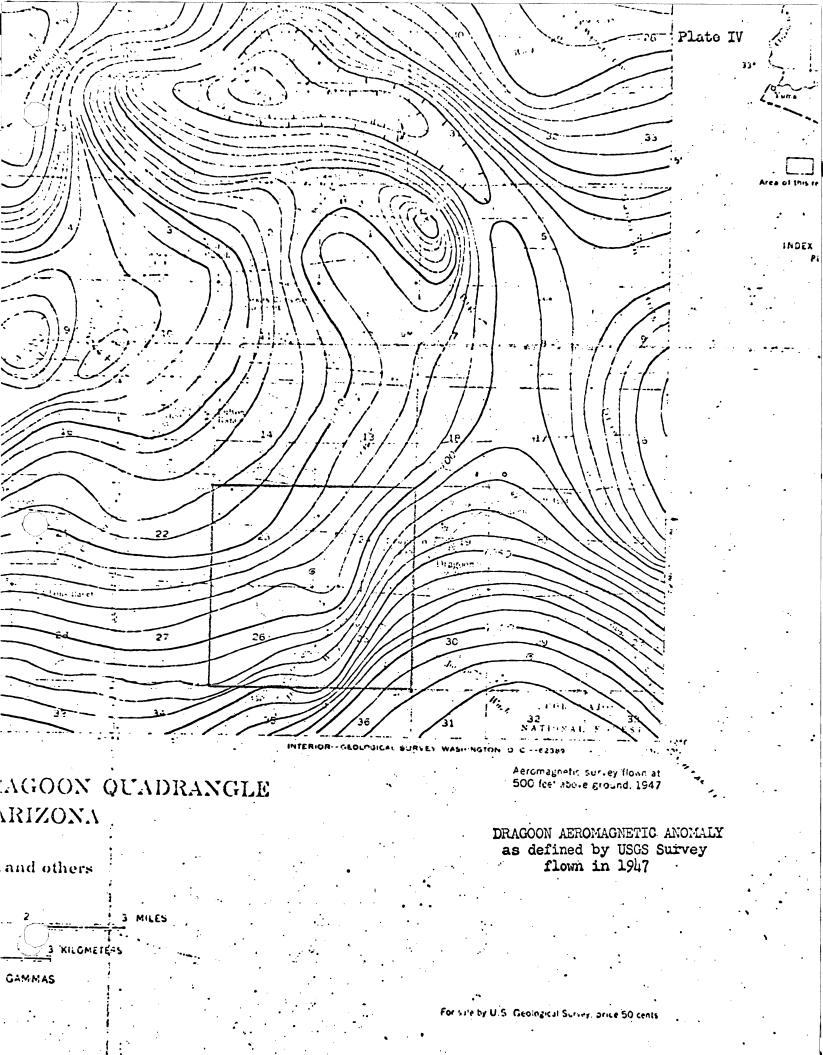
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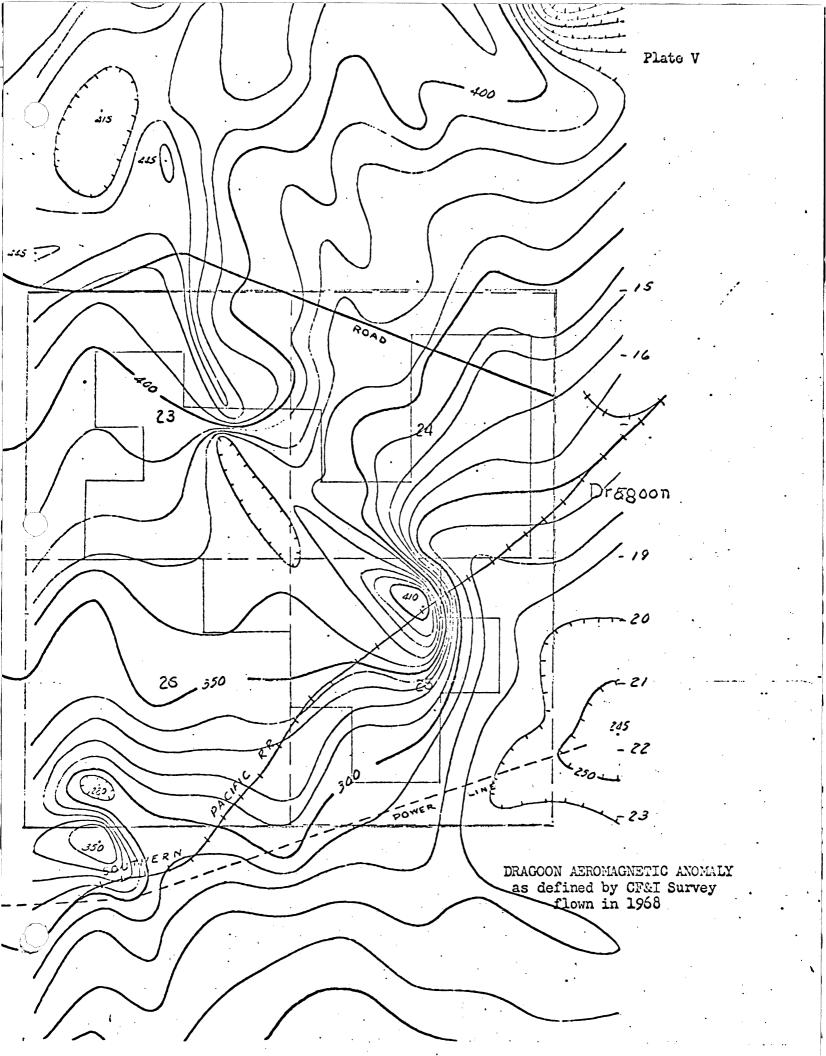
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Project and Location

DRAGOON IN-SITU TEST

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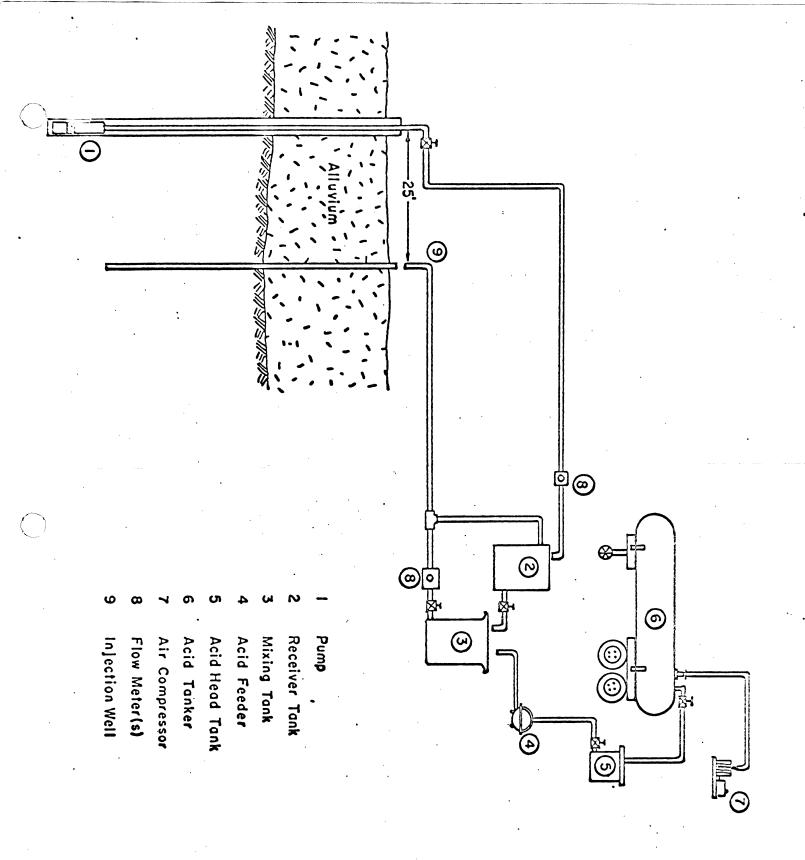


DIAGRAM OF INSITU PLANT