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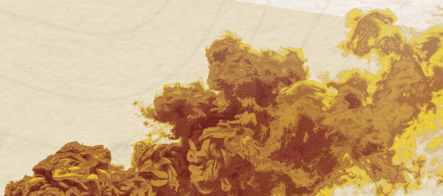
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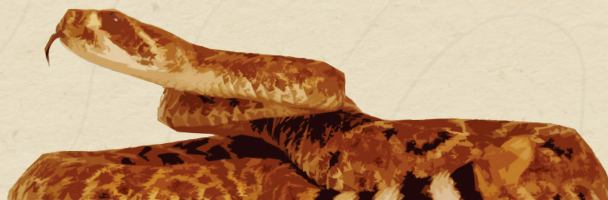
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RISKS IN ABANDONED MINES

ABANDONED MINES ARE NOT CAVES, BUT UNSTABLE HISTORIC MINES FILLED WITH LIFE-THREATENING DANGERS.



FALLS

Abandoned mine shafts are deep holes where slips and trips can lead to a deadly fall. Mine ladders are unsafe and often have missing, broken, or weak rungs. Mine shafts are often hidden by overgrown brush, dirt, and rock piles. Entrapment, injury, and suffocation can result from a fall, so be careful where you drive, walk, and ride.

What looks like a cool jump might be a mine shaft and once your wheel hits it, things can go south—fast!

EXPLOSIONS, BITES, & DEATH

Entering an abandoned mine puts you at risk of being injured or killed by unstable explosives, encountering dangerous wildlife, inhaling toxic air, and even suffocating from lack of oxygen.



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Abandoned mines are ticking time bombs where loose rocks and rotten support timbers can collapse quickly and unexpectedly. These decaying structures may collapse when stepped on or even brushed up against. Shafts may contain deep frigid water where you could be trapped for hours, days, or permanently!

VANDALIZING IS DANGEROUS & ILLEGAL

Fences, barricades, gates, and warning signs around mines are there to keep you and other people safe. Altering these in any way is dangerous and illegal. Those who remove tools, equipment, building materials, and other objects from mines and surrounding buildings do not go home with souvenirs, but with stolen property.

If you spot a shaft or adit with damaged or missing fences, barricades, or warning signs, please call the Nevada Division of Minerals at 775.684.7040 to report the hazard.

Exploring abandoned mines is always a bad idea. Keep yourself and your group safe.

ONE BAD DECISION LEADS TO ANOTHER

NEVER try to rescue a victim by entering a mine! While abandoned mines can be a challenge for rescuers to access due to their remote locations and poorly maintained roads, ALWAYS leave the rescue to the experts. Entering the mine puts you at risk of needing rescue as well. Even trained responders face injury or death when executing a mine rescue. Don't let one bad decision lead to another. If someone in your group gets trapped or injured in a mine, get to a safe location and CALL 9-1-1 as quickly as possible!

