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LAND STATUS



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DETERMINING LAND STATUS FOR MINING CLAIMS

- This presentation will demonstrate the basic requirements and a few of the more common actions on public lands that will help you determine:
 - 1) Whether your area of interest is on land in Federal ownership; and
 - 2) Whether or not the land is open to mineral entry.



TOOLS FOR LAND STATUS

1. The **Public Room**-BLM Nevada State Office.
2. The **Master Title Plat (MTP)**-Illustrate survey plats of a township. Lands in Nevada that have not been surveyed have “protracted diagrams.” Protracted diagrams illustrate a mathematical extension of surveyed lands that surveyors surmise unsurveyed lands look like.



TOOLS FOR LAND STATUS

3. The **Historical Index (HI)**-A chronological listing of all actions that affect the use or title to public land and resources for each township.
4. **Control Document Index (CDI)**-Consists of copies of patents, deeds and any other documents that affect land status. Located at the BLM Nevada State Office and online.



LEGAL LAND DESCRIPTIONS

- Mount Diablo Meridian, Nevada
 - T. 17 N/S,
 - R. 20 E.,
 - section 14,
 - NE1/4, NW1/4, SW1/4, SE1/4

(NOTE: Complete aliquot part to the quarter section required for placer claims, except in certain circumstances)



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	Township			Range			Meridian	Land Record Type
Start:	017	0	N	020	0	E	Mt. Diablo	- HI, MTP & Use -
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Special Surveys

Includes Mineral, Homestead Entry, Indian Reservation, Military Reservation and Townsite Surveys, and Mineral and Homestead Entry Connection Sheets

Township	Range	Meridian	Record Type	Sub Type	HI Pages	Posted Date	Plat Number	Detail	Problem?
017 0 N	020 0 E	MDM	HI			08/08/2002	0001	Detail	Problem?
017 0 N	020 0 E	MDM	HI			08/08/2002	0002	Detail	Problem?
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Township	Range	Meridian	Record Type	Sub Type	Supplemental Sections	Posted Date	Plat Number	Detail	Problem?
017 0 N	020 0 E	MDM	MTP	Primary		02/01/2018	0001	Detail	Problem?
017 0 N	020 0 E	MDM	MTP		18	08/24/2016	0002	Detail	Problem?
017 0 N	020 0 E	MDM	USE	Geothermal		02/01/2018	0003	Detail	Problem?
017 0 N	020 0 E	MDM	USE	Geothermal	18	08/24/2016	0004	Detail	Problem?

Display 100K Quad Land Use Map that includes 0170N 0200E

Adobe Reader required to view records.



MASTER TITLE PLATS

- **Master Title Plats-** are graphic representations of current Federal ownership, agency jurisdiction, and rights reserved to the federal government on private land. All actions taken on public lands such as rights-of-way for roads, transmission lines, and communication sites are also shown. Private lands are identified with the patent number.
- **Supplemental Plats-** are created as necessary for sections within a township that are complicated and need to be drawn to a larger scale to show the details.
- **Use Plats-** are created when necessary to identify the location of oil and gas leases, geothermal leases and other specific uses that affect public lands.
- **MTPU Plats-** Show the combination of the MTP and Use Plat on one map.



HISTORICAL INDEX (HI)

The Historical Index is a chronological listing of all actions that affect the use or title to public land and resources for each township.

The HI is a ledger-type document that consists of notations that elaborate on the information shown on the MTP.

There is a HI for each MTP. The heading of the Index is identical to the heading of the MTP.

TOWNSHIP 17 NORTH RANGE 20 EAST OF THE MOUNT DIABLO MERIDIAN, NEVADA

SECTION OR TRACT	SUBDIVISION								ACRES	KIND OF ENTRY -OR- PURPOSE OF ORDER	SERIAL FILE -OR- ORDER NUMBER	DATE OF ACTION	DATE POSTED	REMARKS - E. G. DATE CLOSED, TERMINATED, REJECTED OR RESCINDED		
	NE 1/4		NW 1/4		SW 1/4		SE 1/4								LOTS	OTHER DESCRIPTION
	NE	NW	SW	SE	NE	NW	SW	SE								
FOR ORDERS EFFECTING DISPOSAL OR USE OF UNIDENTIFIED LANDS WITHDRAWN FOR CLASSIFICATION, MINERALS, WATER, AND/OR OTHER PUBLIC PURPOSES, REFER TO INDEX OF MISCELLANEOUS DOCUMENTS																
3										29N 46E, 30N 46E	40.00	RRG Pat	217	12/30/1903		
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Section(s)

Quarter (Qtr)
Section(s)

Qtr Qtr Sec., Lots, and/or
Other Lands affected

Acres

Type of Document

BLM Case File No.,
Pat/Deed
Numbers or
Order Numbers

Action
Date

Posted Date

Remarks-Additional Pertinent
Information



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Location

State: NEVADA

County: Any County

Names

Last Name:

First Name:

Middle Name:

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Land Description

Township: 17 North

Range: 20 East

Meridian: Mount Diablo

Section #: 27

Miscellaneous

Land Office: Any Land Office

Issue Date: to

Document #:

Militia:

Indian Allot. #:

Tribe: Any Tribe

Survey #:

Geo. Name/ Mining Claim:

Authority: Any Authority

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
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The United States of America,

To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting:

WHEREAS, by the Act of Congress approved July 1, 1862 (12 Stat., 489), as amended by the Act of July 2, 1864 (13 Stat., 356), "to aid in the construction of a Railroad and Telegraph Line from the Missouri River to the Pacific Ocean and to secure to the Government the use of the same for Postal, Military and other purposes," and the Act of July 3, 1866 (14 Stat., 79), authority is given to the Central Pacific Railroad Company, to construct a Railroad and Telegraph Line under certain conditions and stipulations as expressed in said Acts, and provision is made for granting to the said Company, "every alternate section of public land, designated by odd numbers, to the amount of ten alternate sections per mile on each side of said railroad, on the line thereof, and within the limits of twenty miles on each side of said road, not sold, reserved, or otherwise disposed of by the United

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LANDS NOT OPEN TO MINING

If claims are located entirely on land that is withdrawn from location and entry under the mining laws or on private land with no minerals reserved to the U.S, the claims will be declared null and void ab initio (from the beginning).

The location fees and first year maintenance fees will be returned to the remitter of any claim that is null and void ab initio. The processing fees are non-refundable and will not be returned.



LANDS NOT OPEN TO MINING

Areas not open to mining:

- Withdrawn or Segregated lands
 - Indian Reservations,
 - Recreation and Public Purpose(R&PP) classifications,
 - Areas of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC),
 - military withdrawals
- Patented lands with no minerals reserved to the United States
 - Railroad grants, State Selection, Homestead Entry Patents, Mineral Entry Patents, FLPMA Exchange Patents, etc.).



WITHDRAWN LANDS

Withdrawals are abbreviated “WDL”

Withdrawals are delineated by a medium width dash-dot line on the MTP.

WITHDRAWAL,
CLASSIFICATION,
RESERVES, INTERNATIONAL
BOUNDARIES, RECREATION
AND PUBLIC PURPOSE
(R&PP)



Line is used to depict land uses mentioned and is offset to the inside on the land boundary of the parcel they identify.

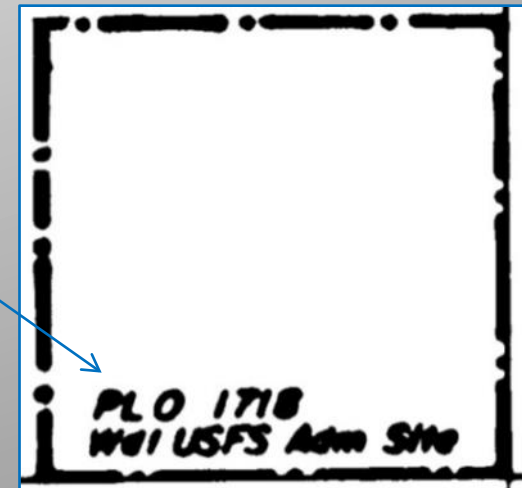
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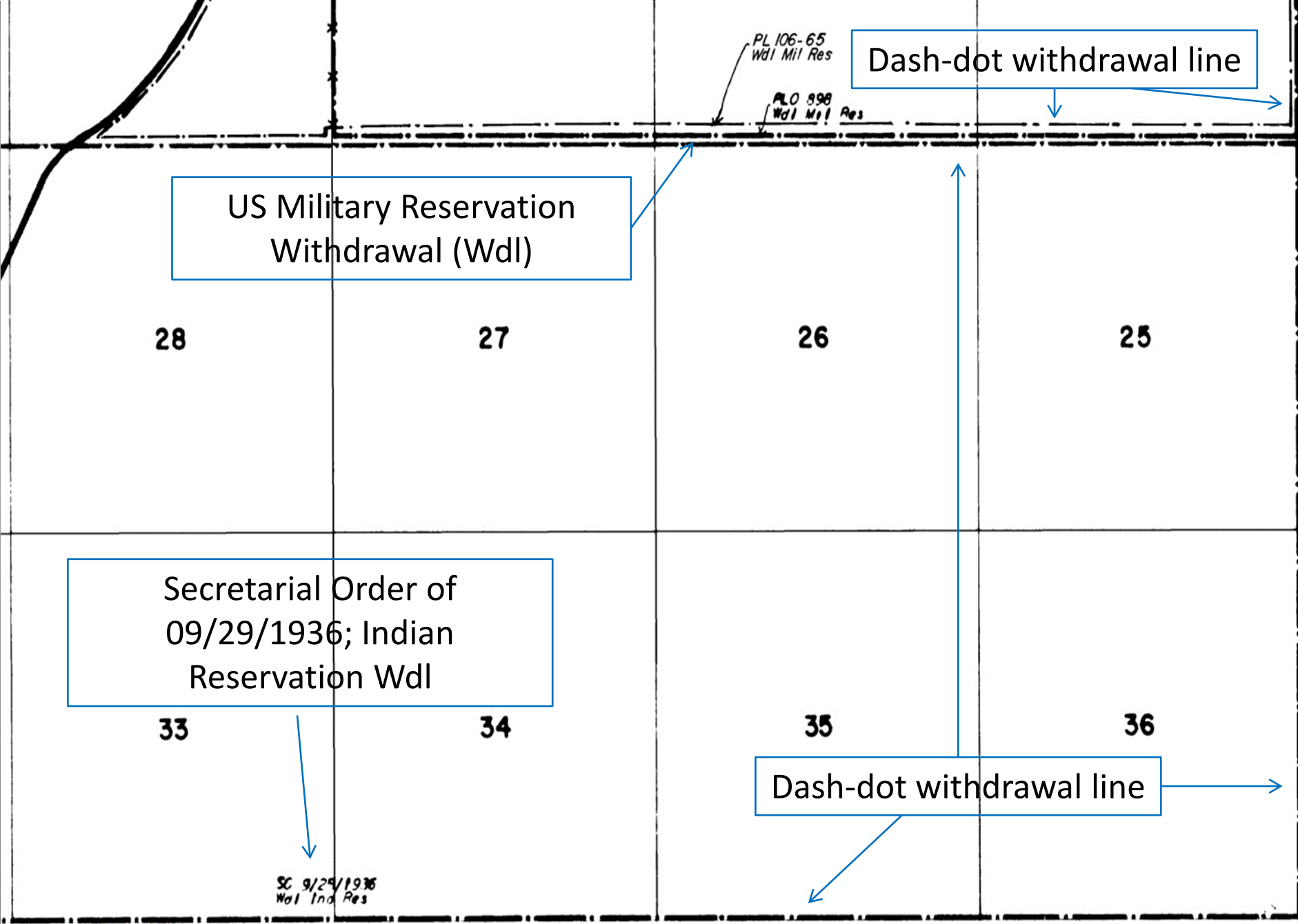


WITHDRAWN LANDS

The type of withdrawal is shown within the withdrawn area at its most southern point on the MTP.

Public Land Order (PLO) 1718





US Military Reservation
Withdrawal (Wdl)

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Secretarial Order of
09/29/1936; Indian
Reservation Wdl

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PL 106-65
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TOPOGRAPHIC MAP DEPICTING WITHDRAWN LANDS



Indian Reservation Wdl

US Military Reservation Wdl



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LANDS HELD IN PRIVATE OWNERSHIP







PRIVATELY OWNED

If claims are located entirely on land that has been patented with no reservation of locatable minerals (i.e. State selection, railroad grant, etc), mining is not open to the public and the claims will be voided *ab initio*.

Look for the patent lines on the MTP

SINGLE PATENT LINE		Line is heavy on the side of the property line that is patented. This same line type is used to depict Public Sales, State Grants, Warranty Deeds, Railroad Grants, and Allotments. (See Notations on the plats for specific use.)
DOUBLE PATENT LINE		Line is heavy on both sides of the property line, indicating a patent on both sides of the line



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SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS

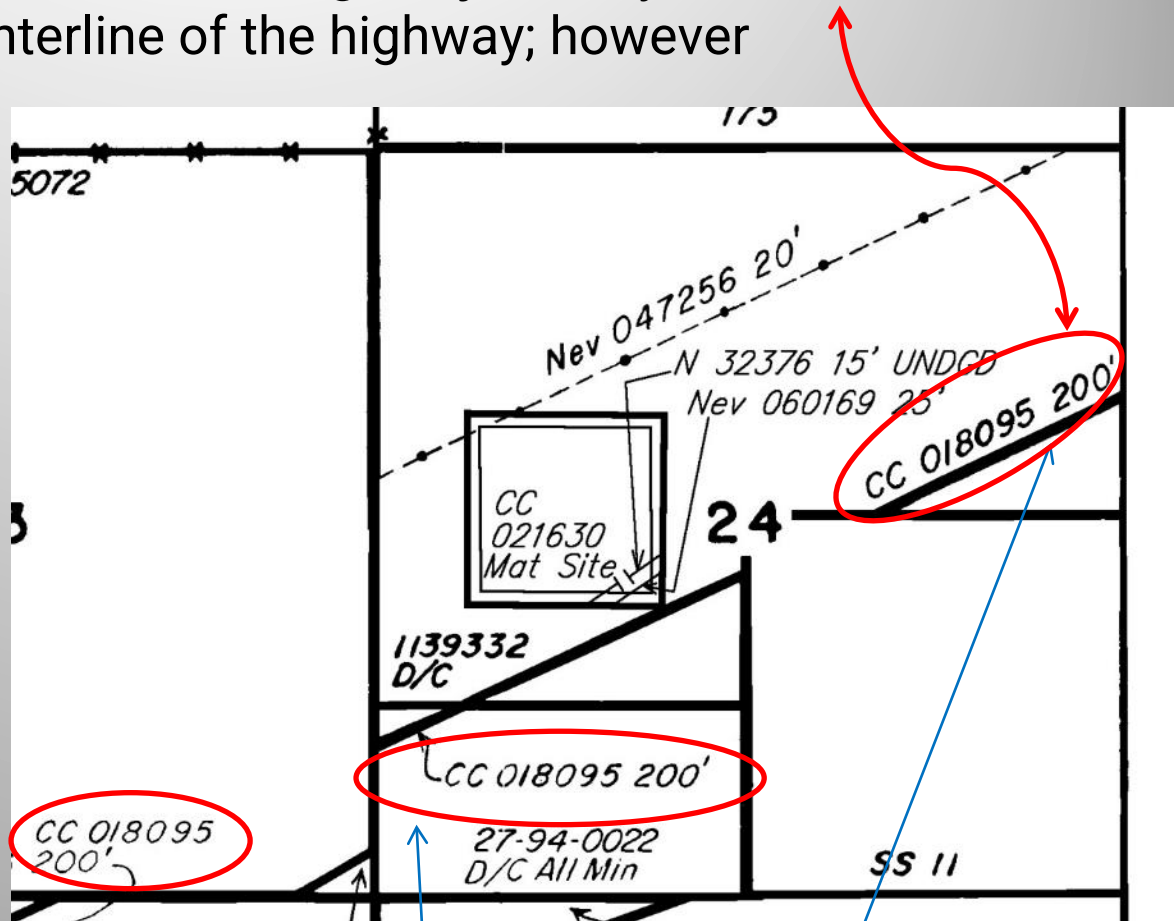




FEDERAL AID HIGHWAYS

A right of way (ROW) for a **Federal Aid Highway** usually extends 200 feet on each side of the centerline of the highway; however circumstances may vary. While lode claims may overlap a highway right of way, a placer claim cannot.

Since a placer claim affects the surface of the land, any portion of a placer claim that lies within a Federal Aid Highway right of way is null and void from the beginning.

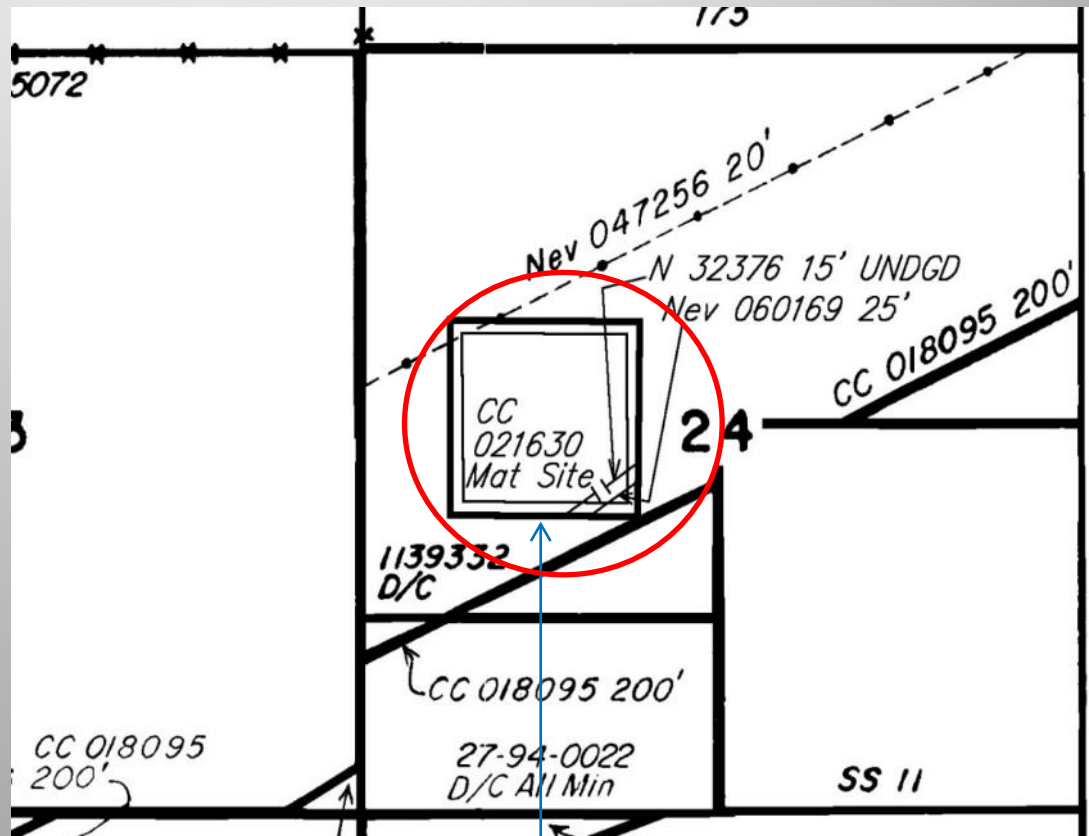


Federal Aid Highway ROW 200 feet on EACH side of the centerline



MINERAL MATERIAL SITES

A **Mineral Material Site** is a specific area designated for the extraction of mineral materials, often located near a highway, for use in the maintenance of a highway or highways, carrying an exclusive right to mine the site area, typically to the Nevada Department of Transportation.



Mineral Material Site held by NV Dept. of Transportation



MINERAL MATERIAL SITES

Any portion of a placer mining claim that lies within a Mineral Material Site is null and void from the beginning.

The same rules apply for any portion of a Mill Site that lies within a Mineral Material Site.

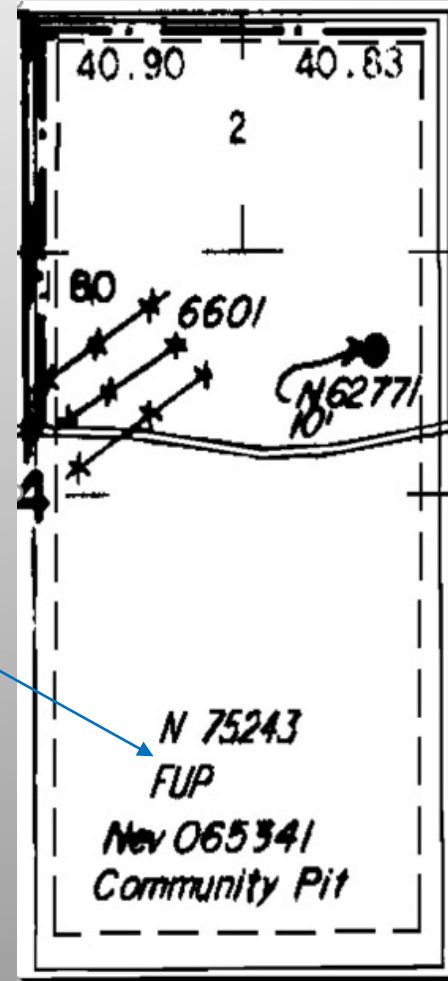
Any portion of a lode claim overlapping a Mineral Material Site boundary is not null and void from the beginning, as with a placer claim or mill site; however, the lode claimant cannot mine any portion of the claim that lies within a Mineral Material Site area.



FREE USE PERMITS

The designation of public lands as a **Free Use Permit (FUP)** establishes a right to remove the materials superior to any subsequent claim or entry of the lands.

Free Use Permits (FUP) are permits typically obtained by a governmental agency, such as a county, to extract mineral materials at no charge from specifically designated areas.



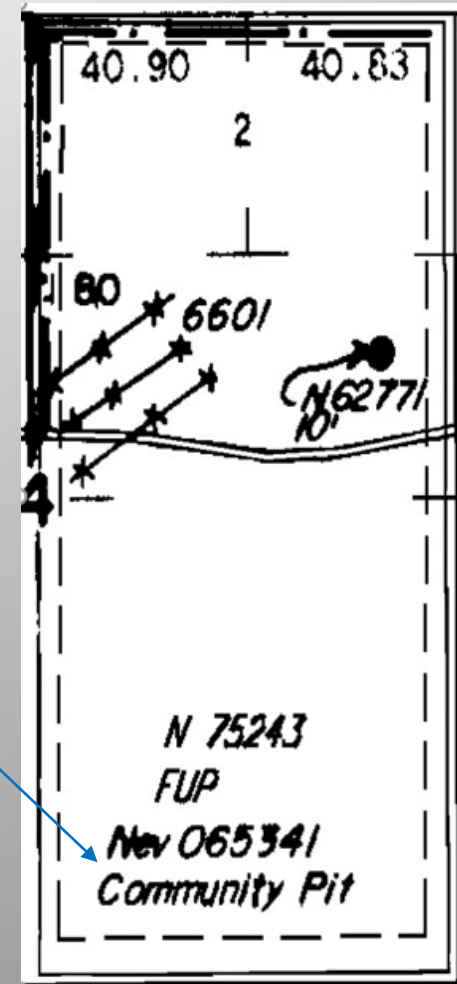


COMMUNITY PITS

The designation of public lands as a **Community Pit** establishes a right to remove the materials superior to any subsequent claim or entry of the lands.

Community Pits are designated areas where mineral materials are available for sale to the public. Permits can be purchased in any Field Office and must be obtained prior to removal of material from a Community Pit.

Sometimes community pits and free use permits come from the same deposit areas designated for this purpose.





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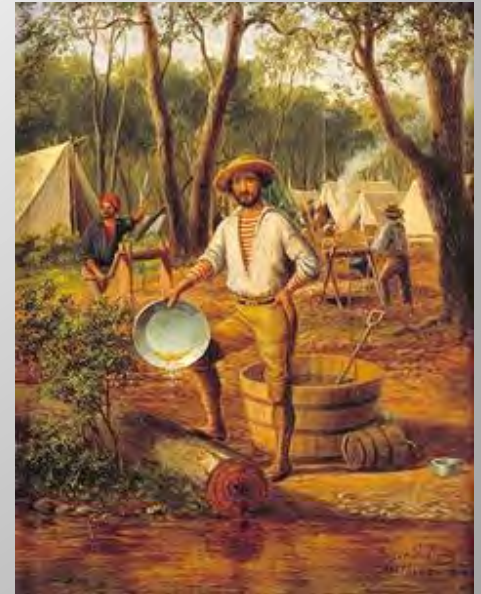
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FEDERAL REGISTER

<http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/browse/collection.action?collectionCode=FR>

E-CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS (CFR) 43 CFR 3830 – 3839

<https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-43/subtitle-B/chapter-II>





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Questions?