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August 16, 1954.

To: Chairman of the Operating Committee, DMEA

From: DMEA Field Team, Region IV

Subject: Supplemental engineering report, Docket No. DMEA-3079 (Copper-Uranium), [illegible] Leasing Company, Cut and Run claims, [illegible] County, [illegible].

Enclosed are four copies of a supplemental engineering memorandum from a Bureau of Mines engineer, four copies of a supplemental geological report from the Geological Survey geologist, and four copies of a memorandum from an Atomic Energy Commission geologist pertaining to Docket No. DMEA-3079.

The report of examination was transmitted to the Secretary of the Operating Committee on February 12, 1954.

In a letter dated March 24, 1954, the Chairman of the Operating Committee requested that the application be discussed with Ernest L. Sharrow, Atomic Energy Commission, Salt Lake City, Utah.

On March 29, 1954, the Chairman of the Operating Committee requested certain additional information which was requested by Arthur P. Butler, A. F. Kinkel, Jr., and C. H. Johnson in memoranda attached to the above letter.

The original examination report recommended that the applicant be granted a loan of $24,253.00 to rehabilitate the main shaft from the surface to the 210-foot level, sink the shaft 100 feet, and drift and crosscut 250 feet on the 310-foot level.

The Atomic Energy Commission geologist stated that the most logical and economical way to explore this property is by crosscutting and drifting. He recommended that a crosscut be driven approximately 600 feet to the mineralized zone and 200 feet of drift be driven along the mineralization.

A supplemental engineering memorandum recommended that a tunnel be driven approximately 700 feet in a southwesterly direction

[illegible] 200 feet of drift to drive [illegible] the [illegible] zone. The estimated cost of 900 feet of work is [illegible] [illegible].

[illegible] to the Government [illegible] the [illegible] of the proposed mill portal.

The [illegible] development [illegible] lower [illegible] of copper, lead and zinc has not produced [illegible]. It appears that any [illegible] would be [illegible] by copper [illegible]. We are [illegible] to [illegible] the uranium content [illegible]. To [illegible] a significant [illegible] of uranium would be [illegible] [illegible] exploration. We recommend that [illegible] be approved for copper [illegible] on the basis of [illegible].

[illegible] should be [illegible] [illegible] feet of [illegible] along [illegible].

[illegible] work is shown on the map attached to the engineering report. However, the applicant should agree to construct [illegible] of the proposed tunnel portal [illegible] to [illegible].

These recommendations were discussed with and approved by A. P. Butler, Jr.

W. H. King

W. H. King

E. N. Hawkmann

per A. H. Koschmann

Enclosures

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cc: Docket DMEA-3075
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July 15, 1954

Memorandum

To: W. H. King, Executive Officer, DMEA Field Team, Region IV

From: Chief, Minerals Development Branch, Mining Division, Region IV

Subject: Docket No. DMEA 3075 (Uranium), J. and M. Leasing Co., Cox and Ross claims, Mohave County, Arizona

Attached are the original and 10 copies of a supplemental engineering report relative to the subject docket. This information is presented as a result of conversations with personnel of the AEC, requested by the Chairman, Operating Committee, in a letter to your office dated March 24, 1954. Additional comment concerning the docket is contained in a memorandum from this office dated June 3, 1954.

The original engineering report, mailed to your office February 5, 1954, contains a recommendation that the applicant be granted a loan of $24,253 to rehabilitate the main shaft from the surface to the 210-foot level, sink the shaft 100 feet, and drift and crosscut 250 feet on the 310-foot level.

The property was mapped by the AEC and after discussions with personnel of this agency, it was believed that consideration should be given to a proposed crosscut to intersect a projection of the ore zone below the 210-foot level. It is proposed that a crosscut be driven approximately 700 feet in a southwesterly direction from a point in the gulch, east of the main shaft. After the ore zone is intersected, provision should be made for 200 feet of drifting along the zone. It is estimated that the work could be accomplished for $30 per foot, or a total of $27,000 for 900 feet of lateral work. The above work is recommended in lieu of the recommendation in the original engineering report, estimated to cost $24,253. The proposed crosscut is shown on figure 7 attached to Young's supplemental report.

It will be necessary to construct a road from the main shaft to the site of the adit portal. The length of road necessary will be at least 1/2 mile over steep terrain. However, the operator has indicated willingness to construct the necessary road with his own funds, thus the cost of the road is not included in the total for the proposed crosscutting and drifting.

As suggested in a memorandum dated March 23, 1954, from C. H. Johnson, Bureau of Mines, to E. Wm. Ellis, DMEA, the records of the Mineral Industry Division at Denver, Colorado, were checked to obtain the production record of the Copper Mountain property. The available record is as follows:

Year	Ore Shipped, Dry Tons	Gross Metal Content				
		Copper, pounds	Lead, pounds	Zinc, pounds	Gold, ounces	Silver ounces
1934	16	5,779	--	--	0.40	81
1937	6	1,750	--	--	--	20
1949	195	12,628	8,387	37,994	163	1,728
1950	151	94,000	--	--	2	476
1951	23	4,936	--	--	--	47
1952	21	4,774	--	--	--	31
1953	133	3,814	--	--	--	28
Total	545	127,681	8,387	37,994	165.40	2,411

C. H. Johnson, in his memorandum of above date, requests information pertaining to the feasibility of obtaining additional samples of underground exposures. The examining team did not sample the existing underground workings during the period of examination. The limited lateral workings, water in openings below the levels, the erratic character of the mineralization and removal of mineralized bodies on and above the levels, resulted in a conclusion that additional sampling is not feasible.

A memorandum dated March 15, 1954, from A. R. Kinkel, Jr., U.S.G.S., to E. Wm. Ellis, DMEA, includes a statement, " * * * I doubt that it is advisable to do additional work on this small mine in such an isolated locality. Possibly this property could be considered if and when AEC puts in an access road."

The property is accessible now and the applicant is willing to spend his own funds constructing a new road and maintaining the present roads. It appears that evaluation of the area as a potential uranium producer can only be accomplished by exploration of favorable deposits. Appraisal of known deposits should preceed large expenditures for road construction.

A memorandum from Arthur P. Butler, Jr., U.S.G.S., to E. Wm. Ellis, DMEA, dated March 5, 1954, raises several questions concerning the reports prepared by the examining team. These questions have been covered in a memorandum dated July 15, 1954, from C. G. Tillman and R. W. Osterstock to A. H. Koschmann.

Stephen R. Wilson

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Enclosure

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

Room 208 - 222 So. West Temple
Salt Lake City 1, Utah
July 15, 1954

Memorandum

To: A. H. Koschmann, Field Team, Region IV EMH for AHK.

From: R. W. Osterstock, for R. J. Roberts, Utah-Nevada District Office

Subject: DMEA docket 3075 (Copper-uranium). J. & M. Leasing Company, Copper Mountain mine, Cox and Ross claims, Mohave County, Arizona - Supplemental geologic report.

In order to satisfactorily answer the questions raised by A. P. Butler and A. R. Kinkel the DMEA examining team would be required to spend an excessive amount of time on this property. Factual data such as that requested could only be gained by extensive topographic and geologic mapping at the surface, remapping of the underground workings and surface pits, and a methodical and detailed sampling program. Such detailed work would probably take two geologists two to three weeks to complete and does not appear to be warranted. It is our understanding, moreover, that such a study does not fall within the domain of the examining team.

This supplemental report will attempt to dispose of some of the points raised regarding the property, based on a recent brief field re-examination of the surface workings. The ladder providing access into the inclined shaft is rotten and unsafe, consequently the mine is to all intents and purposes inaccessible. The initial examination was made in spite of these conditions but the risk is not worth repeating. We have suggested that the owners repair the ladders but have learned that they do not intend to do so.

A. P. Butler has requested clarification of the following points:

(1) "The size and significance of visible uranium zones." Only one area has been located that contains ore grade uranium mineralization. On the 210-foot level in a small underhand stope on the hangingwall of a fracture zone, A.E.C. sampling disclosed a pod of ore which assayed 0.46 percent U_3O_8 (sample F 3955). As was stated in the original report further drifting to the northeast along the fracture exposed no more ore grade uranium mineralization. Thus the size of the uranium bearing pod must be relatively small, perhaps a few tens of tons. The significance of the pod is questionable, it may or may not portend the existence of like bodies on similar structures laterally or at depth. Perhaps the most interesting feature of this pod is its existence at the present water table, consequently the possibility of enrichment or concentration cannot be discounted.

(2) "The significance of the few 'ore-grade' uranium assays is contrast to the low grade assays on channel samples." The ore grade assays have in all cases been hand picked either in the mine or from the ore pile on the surface. All of the channel samples which might be regarded as representative assayed below ore grade for uranium. Consequently there is no known location within the mine from which ore grade material has been obtained in representative samples.

(3) "The inferred size and significance of copper and uranium bearing zones beneath the present workings." There is no way of knowing with any degree of certainty whether copper-uranium bearing zones exist below the deepest level of the mine which is at the present

water table. It seems likely that some copper enrichment has taken place, but the elevation of the water table at the time of enrichment is unknown. The operator reports that the amount of chalcocite relative to the amount of oxide-carbonate ore has increased steadily with depth which would tend to indicate a radical depression of the water table during enrichment. If the copper ore continues below the present deepest workings it may be assumed that the size of the ore bodies will approximate those already mined at higher elevations. If the amount of chalcocite continues to increase it may be expected that the average copper content will increase.

The likelihood of discovery of significant uranium ore shoots by means of the recommended exploration was stated in the original report to be only fair. This conclusion resulted from considering the generally low scintillometer readings throughout the mine as recorded on the A.E.C. longitudinal section and from the fact that only a single sample which was a grab sample of mud taken by the applicant from under water in the underhand stope (sample F 3955) contained ore grade uranium. Mineralogical studies by the A.E.C. indicated that no primary uranium mineral has yet been found on the property. Only the secondary uranium mineral metazuenerite has been identified and it is found intimately associated with chalcocite, malachite, azurite, cuprite, and limonite. Whether this association continues below the present 210-foot level, and if so with sufficiently high grade to be classified as ore, is indeterminable without further exploration. The size and shape of inferred uranium ore shoots below the 210-foot level likewise is indeterminable without further exploration.

(4) "Geologic evidence to indicate that mineralized zones can be expected beneath the present workings." Discussed under 3 above.

The following comments refer to E. N. King's A.E.C. memorandum to E. E. Thurlow dated April 21, 1954 which was transmitted to S. R. Wilson May 5, 1954.

Mr. King proposes an adit bearing S. 41° W. to extend 600 feet in that direction to cut the "downward projection of the mineralization approximately 150 feet below the present 210-foot level. Drifting could then be done along the mineralization. Such a crosscut would give an additional 50 feet of depth (DMEA proposed total depth of shaft is 310 feet) and also explore 600 feet of virgin ground for about the same amount as is proposed by the examining team for shaft rehabilitation and sinking 100 feet on the present shaft...

Since the present shaft is not within the mineralized zone, sinking an additional 100 feet would disclose nothing in the way of pertinent geology, whereas the crosscut would explore an area that does have surface mineralization showing...

It is, therefore, recommended that a crosscut approximately 600 feet be driven to the ore shoot..."

(1) A projection of the target "fissure" to the tunnel level indicates the "fissure" should be intersected at approximately 370 feet using Mr. King's assumed dip of 47.5° northeast.

(2) This "fissure" appears to be a weak fracture zone in sandstone along which no copper mineralization was observed by the examining geologists. Consequently it was not sampled. This "fissure" is of the same order of magnitude as many other weak fractures and joints in the mine area which are not shown on the map.

(3) The Copper Mountain shaft was inclined so as to follow copper mineralization from its collar to the lowest level of the mine where it is approximately 8 feet from the vein. The shaft was put down on the then most promising and subsequently most productive vein in the area.

(4) The proposed adit actually parallels the productive vein explored in the Copper Mountain mine.

The examining geologists conclude that a tunnel driven approximately 770 feet in a direction S. 51° W. from the proposed portal and a crosscut driven approximately 20 feet northwesterly from the end of the tunnel at right angles to it would cut the downward continuation of the Copper Mountain vein. This appears to be the shortest possible tunnel from the proposed portal that would reach the projected position of the vein on the tunnel level. An additional 200 feet of drifting on the vein in a northeasterly and southwesterly direction would be required to adequately explore it. This work would be approximately 155 feet below the lowest level of the mine. At $30.00 per foot the cost of 990 feet of drifting and crosscutting is $29,700.00 and it is assumed that the access road required to reach the portal site would be built by the applicant at his own expense.

No mineralized structures significant from a DMEA viewpoint were observed on the surface over the proposed tunnel. Exploration of this ground by the tunnel does not seem warranted on that basis alone.

Due to the somewhat higher cost of this exploration program than that earlier proposed by the examining geologist and engineer it is concluded that the earlier proposal remains the desirable exploration method if a project is approved for this property.

The position of the water table at the time of enrichment is unknown, if it was below the present water table then it is quite possible that the enriched chalcocite zone will continue below the present lowest workings of the mine. The exact association between copper and uranium mineralization is not fully understood, therefore, the liklihood of the existence of uranium ore at depth is unknown.

Ernest E. Thurlow, Chief, Salt Lake Exploration Branch, DRM, Salt Lake City, Utah

April 21, 1954

Stephen R. Steinhauser, Chief, Richfield Sub-office, SLEB, DRM, Richfield, Utah

"REPORT OF EXAMINATION, J. AND M. LEASING COMPANY (COPPER MOUNTAIN MINE) MOHAVE COUNTY, ARIZONA, DOCKET NO. DMEA-3075, "REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS BY EARL N. KING

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Two brunton and tape traverses have been made on the Cox and Ross (Copper Mountain Mine) claims--one from the shaft to the bottom of the wash, and the other from the shaft to the rim of the wash. (See Attached map). From these traverses and other available data, a rough map has been drafted in an attempt to give information pertinent to the mining area. As a result of data compiled to date, it appears that crosscutting and drifting would be a more beneficial exploration program for this property than the program proposed by the DMEA examining team.

Using 47 and one-half degrees as the average dip of the uranium and copper ore, a 600-foot crosscut from the wash should cut the downward projection of the mineralization approximately 150 feet below the present 210-foot level. Drifting could then be done along the mineralization. Such a crosscut would give an additional 50 feet of depth (DMEA proposed total depth of shaft is 310 feet) and also explore 600 feet of virgin ground for about the same amount as is proposed by the examining team for shaft rehabilitation and sinking 100 feet on the present shaft. The suggested crosscut would be 20 feet above the bottom of the wash, leaving ample room for a dump and ore bin.

Since the present shaft is not within the mineralized zone, sinking an additional 100 feet would disclose nothing in the way of pertinent geology, whereas the crosscut would explore an area that does have surface mineralization showing. Another matter for consideration is the limited usefulness of the present shaft as stated by Mr. Young in his Engineering Report, page 11. The distance from the bottom of the shaft to the ore shoot increases with increased depth, thus limiting it economically as a working shaft.

Considering all aspects, the most logical and economical way to explore this property is by crosscutting and drifting. It is, therefore, recommended that a crosscut approximately 600 feet be

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driven to the ore shoot and then 200 feet of drift should be driven along the mineralization. The allocation of the 200 feet of drifting should be flexible in order to satisfactorily explore the ore shoot as work progress.

An "Estimate of Costs" list, using per unit costs as determined by the DMEA examining team wherever possible, is submitted for 800 feet of crosscutting and drifting.

Enclosures:
1. maps (4)
2. Itemized statements (2)

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J. AND M. LEASING CO.
COX AND ROSS CLAIMS
MOHAVE COUNTY, ARIZONA
DMEA-3075
Copper-Uranium

Supplemental Engineering Report

By W. E. Young
Mining Engineer
Bureau of Mines

INTRODUCTION

The alternate proposal for exploration of the Copper Mountain mine recommended by the Atomic Energy Commission, has been studied and reviewed. This proposal consists of exploration by crosscut from an adit site near the bottom of the wash to intersect the downward projection of mineralization. The work outlined will include driving 700 feet of crosscut and 200 feet of drifts. Estimated costs indicate that this plan may be accomplished by an expenditure of little more than for work proposed in the original reports of the Bureau of Mines and the Geological Survey. This work would intersect the mineralization at 60 to 75 feet greater depth than the proposed work as submitted in the original reports. Additional advantages are that the ore may be mined at lower cost and that the crosscut would afford drainage in the event water is encountered.

However, an additional expense which has not been considered previously, will be incurred by the adoption of this proposal. It will be necessary to construct at least ½ mile of access road from the shaft collar to the site of the adit portal. The surface map indicates a grade of 30 percent in the gulch. Construction of switchbacks will be necessary to establish a suitable grade. Erosion has denuded the area of most of the soil, thus it is anticipated that considerable rock work and blasting will be required in road construction. During the course

of the examination, road construction was not investigated, but it is believed this work will involve considerable expense. The applicant has expressed willingness to assume this responsibility and the expense of the road construction in order to complete the project by cross-cutting and drifting.

ESTIMATE OF COSTS

Crosscutting and Drifting 900 feet

(Time for completion - 10 months)

Labor and supervision

2 men, 250 days at $14 per day	$7,000.00
1 supervisor, $400 per month	4,000.00
1 bookkeeper (part time) $50	500.00
Payroll taxes, liability insurance, etc., 12% of above $11,500 x .12	1,380.00
	$12,880.00

Operating materials and supplies

Explosives, 900 feet at $2.10 per foot	$1,890.00
Pipe, 900 feet, 2" black at $.40 per foot	360.00
Pipe, 900 feet, 1" black at $.24 per foot	216.00
Track, 900 feet, 12-lb., complete, at $770 M	693.00
Drill steel and bits, 900 feet at $1.00 per foot	900.00
Miscellaneous small tools, gas, oil, etc.	2,700.00
Equipment repairs and replacements	700.00
	$7,459.00

Operating equipment depreciation

1 trailer house	$ 250.00
1 105-cfm. compressor	500.00
1 mucking machine	500.00
1 International 2½-ton truck	333.33
1 Studebaker ½-ton truck	250.00

1 HD7W Allis Chalmers tractor	$ 280.00*
1 jackhammer, mounted	100.00
1 bar and column	60.00
2 mine cars	70.00
	$2,343.33

*Allow for use 1/3 of the time. Superintendent to serve as operator.

Drifting and crosscutting, grand total	22,682.33
Consulting geologist, 20 days at $50 per day	1,000.00
Total estimated project cost, crosscutting and drifting, consulting geologist	$23,682.33

Depreciation	Value	1 mo.	10 mo.
1 trailer house	$1,500	$25.00	$ 250.00
1 185-cfm. compressor	3,000	50.00	500.00
1 International 2½-ton truck	2,000	33.33	333.33
1 Studebaker ½-ton truck	1,500	25.00	250.00
1 jackhammer, mounted	600	10.00	100.00
1 bar and column	360	6.00	60.00
2 mine cars	420	7.00	70.00
1 mucking machine	3,000	50.00	500.00
1 HD7W Allis Chalmers tractor	1,680	28.00	280.00
Total equipment cost			$2,343.33

SUMMARY OF COSTS

Labor and supervision	$12,880.00
Operating materials and supplies	7,459.00
Operating equipment cost	2,343.33
Consulting geologist	1,000.00
Total	$23,682.33

It is recommended that this proposed plan of exploration be adopted in place of the work originally proposed by the Bureau of Mines and

Geological Survey. The estimated cost of performing 900 feet of cross-cutting and drifting is $23,682.33. The unit cost is calculated at $26.31 per foot. In view of the isolated location of the property and the cost of transporting materials and supplies, it is recommended that a unit figure of $30 per foot be used in preparing a short-form contract.

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February 12, 1954.

Memorandum

To: Secretary to the Operating Committee, Defense Minerals Exploration Administration

From: Field Team, Region IV

Subject: Report of Examination - DMEA Docket 3075 (Copper-Uranium), J. & M. Leasing Company, Mohave County, Arizona.

Enclosed are the original and three copies of the report pertaining to the above application.

We recommend a short form contract to include proposals outlined in the engineering and geologic reports provided that the legal matters involved are found to be satisfactory.

The following material is enclosed:

1. One copy of Form MF-203 signed by Anna C. Cox, Lorain Cox, Anna F. Cox, Kenneth Cox, and Etta Cox.

2. Letter dated August 24, 1953 from Pickett & Pickett and the enclosures to that letter consisting of one map and five pages of sample data.

3. Letter dated September 11, 1953 from Pickett & Pickett and the enclosures to that letter which are one rough sketch of the six mining claims and Location Notices on the Copper Mountain #1, Copper Mountain #2, Copper Mountain #5, and Copper Mountain #6 mining claims.

4. Copy of a letter dated January 20, 1954 from George F. Baggley of the National Park Service to John H. East, Jr.

5. Copy of a letter dated January 20, 1954 from George Baggley to Ellis J. Pickett.

6. Copy of our reply to George F. Baggley dated January 27, 1954.

W. H. King
W. H. King

A. H. Koschmann
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Enclosures

cc: Docket
SRWilson w/copy of Rpt.; Ralph Roberts w/copy of Rpt.; EEThurlow w/copy of Rpt.
DMEA w/copy of Rpt.; Mining Division w/copy of Rpt.; AHKoschmann w/copy of Rpt.
Chron. AHKoschmann (2)

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF MINES

Mining Division
Region IV

February 12, 1954.

Memorandum

To: Field Team, Region IV

From: Chief, Mining Division, Region IV

Subject: Report of Examination - DMEA Docket 3075 (Copper-Uranium), J. & M. Leasing Company, Mohave County, Arizona.

Enclosed are eleven copies of the engineering report of examination on the subject docket.

The applicants requested $84,508.00 for sinking, drifting and crosscutting. The examining engineer believes the applicants' exploratory proposals are too ambitious and he discussed with the applicants, who accompanied the field examiners, a modified exploration program. It is believed that this modified program is acceptable to the applicants, although clear affirmation was not given.

The exploration recommended by the examining engineer, and in which we concur, consists of construction of a head frame, 210 feet of shaft rehabilitation, 100 feet of shaft sinking, and 250 feet of drifting and crosscutting on the 310-foot level. The total cost of this work is estimated to be $24,253.00.

This property, in the past, has produced a good grade of copper ore and the uranium mineralization on the 210-foot level is in line with the zone of high copper mineralization. Therefore, Government participation in the cost of the project should be on a 70% basis.

W. H. King

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February 5, 1954

Memorandum

To: W. H. King, Executive Officer, DMEA Field Team, Region IV

From: Chief, Minerals Development Branch, Mining Division, Region IV

Subject: Docket No. DMEA-3075, J. and M. Leasing Co., Cox and Ross Claims (Copper-Uranium), Mohave County, Arizona

Enclosed are the original and 10 copies of an engineering report covering examination of the subject property by W. E. Young. A separate section, Summary, Conclusions and Recommendations, is also included, together with three copies each of forms 6-803 and 6-993. The geologic report was transmitted by the Survey January 29, 1954.

The examining team recommends a program of exploration estimated to cost $24,253. The recommended project includes part of the work proposed by the applicant. The property is in an isolated area, and access may be difficult because of the road conditions. Exploratory costs will be somewhat higher than average as a result of the distance to supply centers and transportation problems. Transportation difficulties could be solved by construction of a road over the Kaibab-Coconino rim, a project which will serve other properties in the area as well as the subject property.

It is believed the property has promise for discovery of a moderate tonnage of copper-uranium ore. Recommendation is made that a contract be drawn on the short form to include proposals outlined in the engineering and geologic reports. I concur in this recommendation.

Stephen R. Wilson

Stephen R. Wilson

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February 1, 1954

Memorandum

To: DMEA Field Team, Region IV

From: A. H. Koschmann

Subject: DMEA Docket 3075 (copper-uranium), J. & M. Leasing Company, Copper Mountain Mine, Mohave County, Arizona

Enclosed are 11 copies of a geologic report on the Copper Mountain Mine, DMEA Docket 3075, by C. G. Tillman, geologist, U. S. Geological Survey.

A. H. Koschmann

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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

Room 208, 222 South West Temple
Salt Lake City 1, Utah
January 29, 1954

Memorandum

To: A. H. Koschmann, Field Team, Region IV

From: C. G. Tillman, for R. J. Roberts,
Utah-Nevada District Office

Subject: DMEA Docket 3075 (copper-uranium), J. and M. Leasing Company, Copper Mountain Mine, Mohave County, Arizona

Enclosed are 11 copies of a geologic report on the Copper Mountain Mine, DMEA Docket 3075, by C. G. Tillman, geologist, U. S. Geological Survey.

The J. and M. Leasing Company, St. George, Utah applied for a DMEA loan to aid in exploration for uranium ore at the Copper Mountain Mine, Mohave County, Arizona.

Copper minerals occur along faults and replacing the groundmass of sandstone breccia around the periphery of a circular area in the Permian Queantoweap sandstone or Hermit formation. Abnormal radioactivity exists throughout the mine and a little uranium ore exists on the lowest level.

Qualified approval of a modified exploration program is recommended subject to DMEA consideration of the possible prohibitive expense of road maintenance.

Ralph J. Roberts

By: C. G. Tillman

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SUMMARY, CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

By C. G. Tillman and W. E. Young

The Cox and Ross claims in Mohave County, Arizona, held under lease by J. and M. Leasing Co., were examined by DMEA personnel during December 1953. The claims cover the Copper Mountain mine, an intermittent producer of high-grade copper ores for many years. An examination of the property was made for the purpose of appraisal of a loan request under docket No. DMEA 3075.

The Copper Mountain property is located in an isolated area on the north drainage of the Colorado River, approximately 6 miles from the river. The area is reached from St. George, Utah, over roads that are difficult to maintain.

Predominant rocks in the area are sandstone and shale of the Supai formation of Pennsylvanian age. Copper-uranium mineralization occurs in steeply dipping, lenticular zones in the sandstone, the mineralization and form of the ore shoots apparently having a relation to a circular zone of alteration appearing at the surface. Principal copper minerals are malachite and azurite, with smaller amounts of cuprite and bornite. Uranium is associated with the copper mineralization, chiefly as the mineral meumerite. No developed ore reserves are present on the property. The ore body appears to continue below the 210-foot level, the lowest level in the shaft.

The applicant has proposed a program of shaft sinking and drifting and crosscutting. It is proposed that the main shaft be deepened 200 feet, with a total of 500 feet of drifting and 400 feet of crosscutting on two levels. In addition to the above proposals, the applicant requests funds to rehabilitate 210 feet of shaft and for construction of a headframe, hoist house, ore bin and combination boarding house and bunk house. The estimated cost of the applicant's proposed project is $84,508.

The examining engineer and geologist believe the applicant's exploratory proposals are too ambitious, and recommend an alternate program which includes part of the applicant's proposals, consists of construction of a headframe, 210 feet of shaft rehabilitation, 100 feet of shaft sinking and 250 feet of drifting and crosscutting on the 310-foot level.

Recommendation is made that the applicant be granted a loan of $24,253 to perform work as outlined by the examiners. Government participation in the cost of the project should be 70 percent, or an average of 50 percent participation for copper and 90 percent for uranium. A short-form contract is recommended.

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REGION IV

DMEA Docket 3075 (Copper-Uranium)

J. and M. Leasing Company, Cox and Ross Claims

Mohave County, Arizona

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GEOLOGIC REPORT

DMEA DOCKET 3075 (URANIUM-COPPER)

J. AND M. LEASING COMPANY, COX AND ROSS CLAIMS

MOHAVE COUNTY, ARIZONA

Summary

The J. and M. Leasing Company of St. George, Utah applied for DMEA assistance to aid in exploration for uranium ore on the Cox and Ross claims, Mohave County, Arizona.

The applicants' property is reached by an access road which is subject to washout during heavy rain or thaw. Mr. W. E. Young's U. S. Bureau of Mines engineering report deals with the problem in detail.

The Copper Mountain mine on the Cox and Ross claims is in the Permian Quesantoweap sandstone or Hermit formation near the extreme southeastern corner of the Shivwits Plateau. Copper mineralization appears to be circular in plan. Ore is localized in breccia and fault zones which dip outward from this area. Principal ore bodies consist of copper-sulfide replacement of the groundmass of lenticular breccia zones. A few thousand tons of medium to high grade ore are estimated to have been shipped.

Uranium-bearing material of ore-grade occurs near an underhand stope on the lowest level. Abnormal radioactivity is present throughout the mine. To learn more of the distribution of the uranium as well as to explore for copper and uranium ore, an exploration program is outlined involving rehabilitation of the inclined shaft, 100 feet of shaft deepening, 50 feet of crosscutting to the mineralized zone if necessary, and 200 feet of drifting along this zone to the east and northeast.

INTRODUCTION

The J. and M. Leasing Company of St. George, Utah applied for a loan, DMEA Docket 3075, May 29, 1953 to aid in exploration for uranium ore on the Cox and Ross claims, Mohave County, Arizona (fig. 1).

The property was examined December 1, 1953 by C. G. Tillman, U. S. Geological Survey and W. E. Young, U. S. Bureau of Mines. It had been inaccessible due to road washouts previous to this date. Mr. J. E. Wulfenstein and Mr. MeM. Wulfenstein, the applicants, were present during the examination.

Weather conditions did not permit time for more than a very brief examination of the surface and underground workings.

Location and accessibility

The Copper Mountain mine is at the southeast edge of the Shivwits Plateau on Parashont Wash near its junction with Andrus Wash. Parashont Wash drains southeastward to join the Quantoweap Valley drainage a short distance north of the Colorado River.

The claims are probably in secs. 2 or 3, T. 32 N., R. 10 W., G. & SR. B. and M. and may be reached by driving south from St. George, Utah on Utah Highway 64 for 50 miles to the Walking X Ranch; bear south and continue 18.6 miles, then turn southeast off the state road onto a dirt access road and continue approximately 36 miles by way of Andrus Wash to the mine. The part of the road in Andrus Wash is washed out during every heavy rain story or thaw. The engineering report by W. E. Young discusses this matter in detail. The continued profitable operation of the mine will depend in large part on the expense required to keep this road open.

History and production

The Copper Mountain mine has probably produced several thousand tons of medium- to high-grade copper ore although no production figures are available. Abnormal radioactivity was discovered recently when the A. E. C. mapped the mine and made a thorough scintillometer survey of the surface and underground workings. Sample data accompanies the A. E. C. map. The last shipment by present operators was 125 tons of ore which averaged 15.4 percent copper.

GEOLOGY

The Shivwits Plateau is a part of the Colorado Plateau province bounded on the south by the Colorado River, on the east by the Hurricane Cliffs, and on the west by the Grand Wash Cliffs. Northward, in the vicinity of the Utah-Arizona border south of St. George, Utah, it loses its identity along a low north-facing escarpment.

The oldest sedimentary rocks underlying this plateau are exposed along the Colorado River. Cambrian rocks at the canyon bottom include the Tapeats sandstone, Bright Angel shale, Muav limestone, and unnamed dolomitic limestone. Overlying these rocks are the Devonian Temple Butte limestone, the Mississippian Redwall limestone, the Pennsylvanian Callville limestone, the Permian Queantoweap sandstone, Hermit formation, Coconino sandstone, Toroweap formation and Kaibab formation. The Triassic Moenkopi formation is found along the west side of the Hurricane fault and on the north edge of the plateau. Large areas of Kaibab formation in the central part of the plateau and Moenkopi formation on the north edge of the plateau are overlain by Tertiary and Quaternary lavas. All of these beds have a small regional dip to the east. Along the western, downdropped side of the Hurricane fault they dip as much as 14° to the east.

Copper-uranium mineralization occurs, it is believed, either in the upper part of the Queantoweap sandstone or the lower part of the Hermit formation. In areas where these formations cannot be differentiated, they are known collectively as the Supai formation. Along the South Hurricane Cliffs, the Queantoweap sandstone consists of about 400 feet of massive, generally thick-bedded, cliff and ledge-forming, cross-bedded to regularly-bedded, gray to pink, fine-grained calcareous sandstone in which the crossbedding dips southeast (McNair, 1951, p. 527). The Hermit formation, which overlies the Queantoweap with gradational contact, is about 930 feet thick and consists of gray to red, fine- to very fine-grained, thick- to thin-bedded sandstone with the finer-grained, thinner-bedded intervals being darker red in color and softer; thus yielding more readily to erosion.

The Hermit formation is stripped back off the top of the Queantoweap; as a result, the latter forms the upper canyon floors.

The generally north-striking, steeply west dipping Hurricane fault is present in Queantoweap Valley about 6 miles east of the mine area.

ORE DEPOSITS

At the surface the shaft is seen to be collared on the south central part of an apparently circular zone of copper mineralization which has a diameter of perhaps 600 feet 1/ The Central part of this circular area is cut to a depth of more than 100 feet by a steep-walled gully. Copper mineralization is known on the northern continuation of the circular trend and on the northwestern side as well. The sandstone within this area is altered from its normal pale reddish color to white or tan.

The Copper Mountain ore bodies appear to be localized along small, east- to northeast-striking, steeply dipping faults and particularly in

1/ For a description of what may be a structurally similar copper deposit in this area, see: Hill, J. M., 1914, the Grand Gulch Mining Region, Mohave County, Arizona: U. S. G. S. Bull. 580-D, p. 39-58.

associated lenticular sandstone breccia of the Permian Queantoweap sandstone or Hermit formation. The faults and stopes appear to curve northeastward away from the shaft, being convex to the southeast. There is an apparent tendency for the stopes to steepen with depth or to dip irregularly. This may be due to the fact that in some places copper mineralization extends out from the fault or breccia zone along the nearly flat or gently east-dipping beds of undisturbed sandstone whereas in other places it follows more steeply dipping fault and breccia zones. The stopes between the 155- and 200-foot levels, with the exception of the stope nearest the shaft, dip regularly at about 50 degrees southeast (fig. 2). The largest of these measures approximately 40' x 40' x 5'. The large stope between the 100- and 155-foot levels dips approximately 40° southeast and measures approximately 50' x 50' x 5'. Copper mineralization is more or less continuous, though over a narrower width, from the shaft to the face on the various levels. Copper-bearing faults may be offset by oblique cross faults.

Copper minerals appear along northeast-striking faults, as replacements of groundmass and some fragments of sandstone breccia, and to a limited extent as replacements of undisturbed sandstone adjacent to fault and breccia zones. Bornite appears to be the most abundant sulfide and the principal ore mineral. Malachite and possibly cuprite are the principal secondary copper minerals. The green, micaceous appearing, secondary uranium mineral zeunerite coats fracture surfaces and is reported to form veinlets in copper ore. A black uranium mineral may also be present.

A small pod of ore-grade uranium mineralization occurs on the 210-foot level in the hangingwall of the vein near the underhand stope. Two A. E. C. samples taken under water in the underhand stope averaged more than

0.10 percent U_3O_8. An additional twenty feet of drifting along the vein to the northeast on the 210-foot level exposed no ore-grade uranium mineralization. High scintillometer readings were obtained by the A. E. C. at several places in the stopes between 155- and 210-foot levels. Abnormal, but low, radioactivity is present throughout the mine.

Oxidation extends to the lowest level as indicated by the presence of abundant iron oxide stains and malachite. Water was encountered on the lowest level and now stands several inches deep near the water-filled underhand stope.

ORE RESERVES

There is insufficient sample data to make a reliable copper and uranium ore reserve estimate.

PROPOSED EXPLORATION

The applicants propose to explore the ore-grade uranium showings exposed on the 210-foot level by deepening the inclined shaft an additional 200 feet and by driving two 250-foot exploratory drifts along the vein at the 300- and 390-foot levels. A 100-foot crosscut to the north from the drift on the 300-foot level is proposed to ensure testing the mineralized zone.

In addition, it is proposed to crosscut 300 feet southwest on the 210-foot level to explore the projected position of a northwest striking, vertical fracture which is exposed at the surface 200 feet southwest of the shaft. This fracture shows iron-oxide and copper carbonate stain and abnormal radioactivity over a width of a few inches and a strike length of several hundred feet at the surface.

The examining team recommends that part of the applicants' plan of exploration be approved as follows: Rehabilitate and deepen the inclined

shaft an additional 100 feet to the 300-foot level. If the shaft does not follow the mineralized fault zone, crosscut 25 to 50 feet southeast to intersect this zone. Drift along the mineralized zone to the east and northeast 200 feet.

The plan is designed to test the downward continuation of the most promising uranium showing in the mine as well as the downward continuation of copper mineralization.

CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

An additional 20 feet of drifting northeasterly along the copper-uranium vein on the 210-foot level has carried the work beyond the zone of uranium ore exposed at the underhand stope. To determine the vertical extent of this uranium mineralization the shaft should be deepened 100 feet after shaft rehabilitation. From the foot of the shaft a crosscut should be driven, if necessary, to the copper-uranium bearing fault zone and a drift should be driven northeasterly along this zone under the ore-grade mineralization of the 210-foot level. It is estimated that the following work will be required: 100 feet of shaft sinking, 50 feet of crosscutting, and 200 feet of drifting.

It is recommended that allowance be made for the services of a consulting geologist for 20 days to aid the applicant in the proper execution of this work, to describe and map the work done with DMEA aid, and to do such other detailed geologic mapping on the surface and/or underground as time may allow or as will be conducive to the successful completion of the project.

Considering that this exploration has a good chance of discovering a small tonnage of copper ore and a fair chance of discovering a small tonnage of uranium ore it is recommended that funds be provided for 70 per-

cent of the total cost of the project; i.e. the average of 50 percent government participation for copper and 90 percent government participation for uranium.

Approval of the modified exploration program described herein for the Copper Mountain mine is recommended provided the susceptibility of the access road to washout is not regarded by DMEA as a reason for denial of the application.

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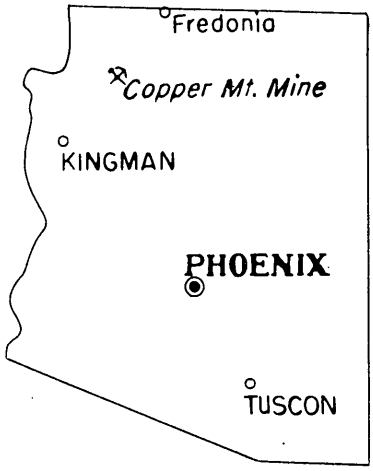

MAP OF ARIZONA

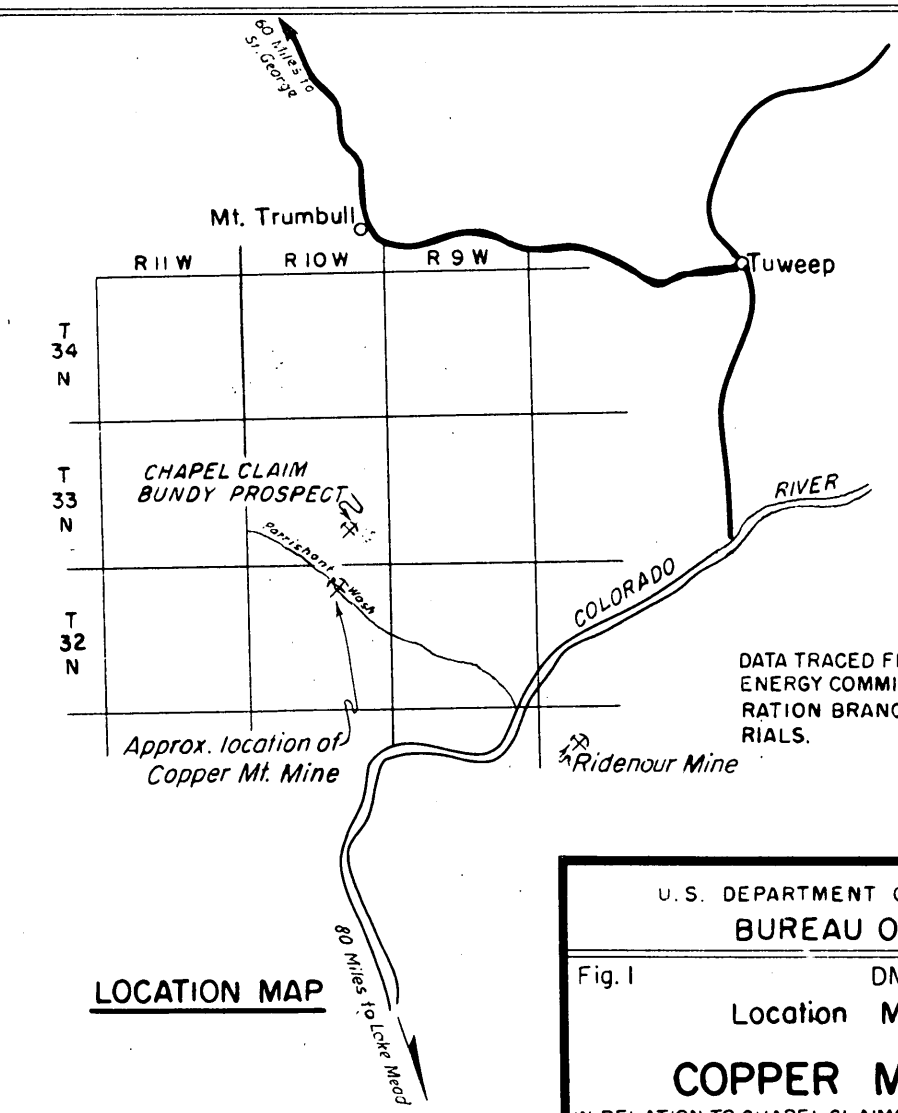

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Fig. I DMEA Docket No. 3075

Location Maps of

COPPER MT. MINE

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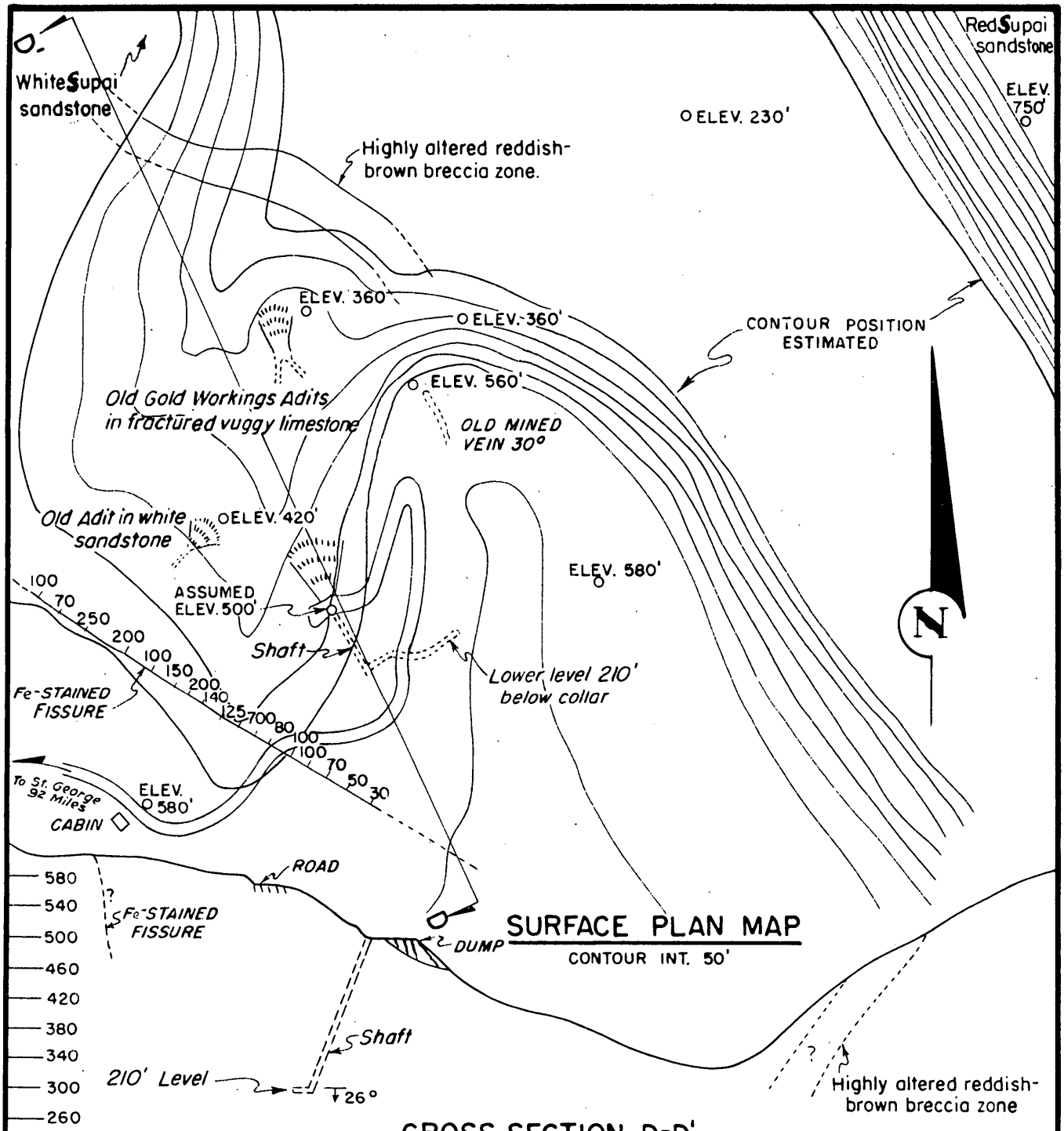

SURFACE PLAN MAP

CONTOUR INT. 50'

CROSS SECTION D-D'

BEARING N25°W, LOOKING SOUTHWEST

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Surface Plan Map and Cross Section D-D'

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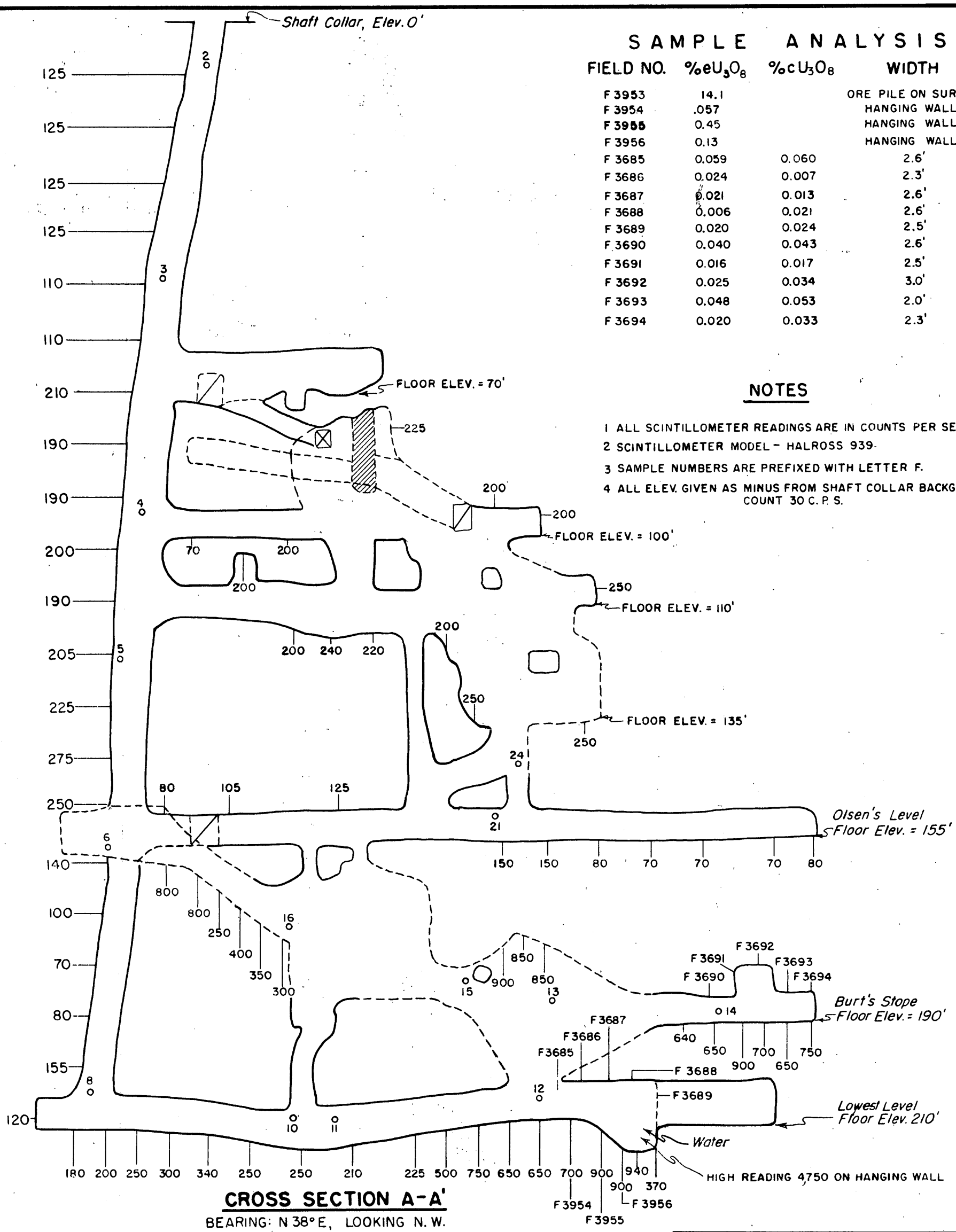

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CROSS SECTION A-A'

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Cross Section A - A'
SCINTILLOMETER SURVEY AND SAMPLE MAP

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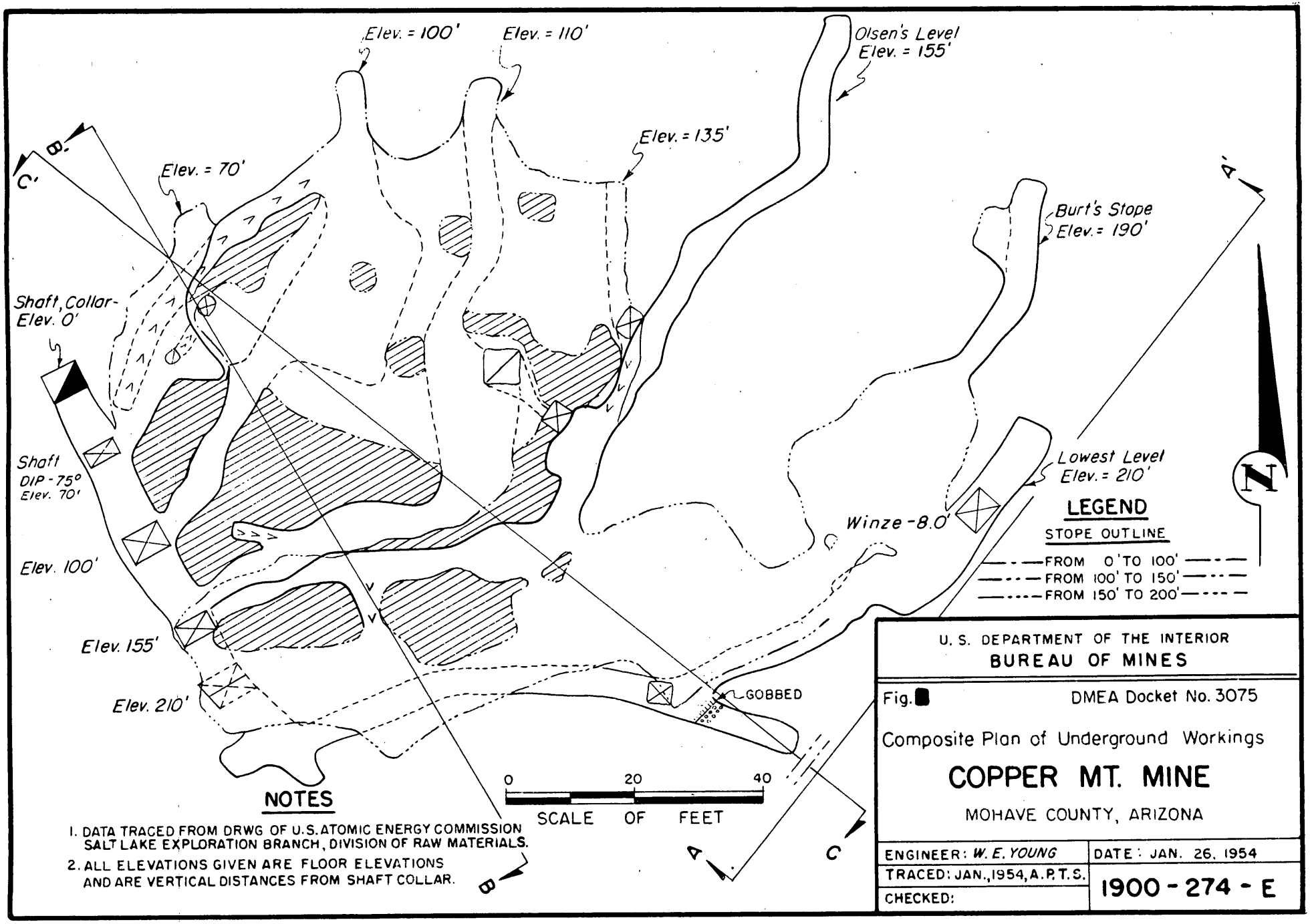
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Composite Plan of Underground Workings
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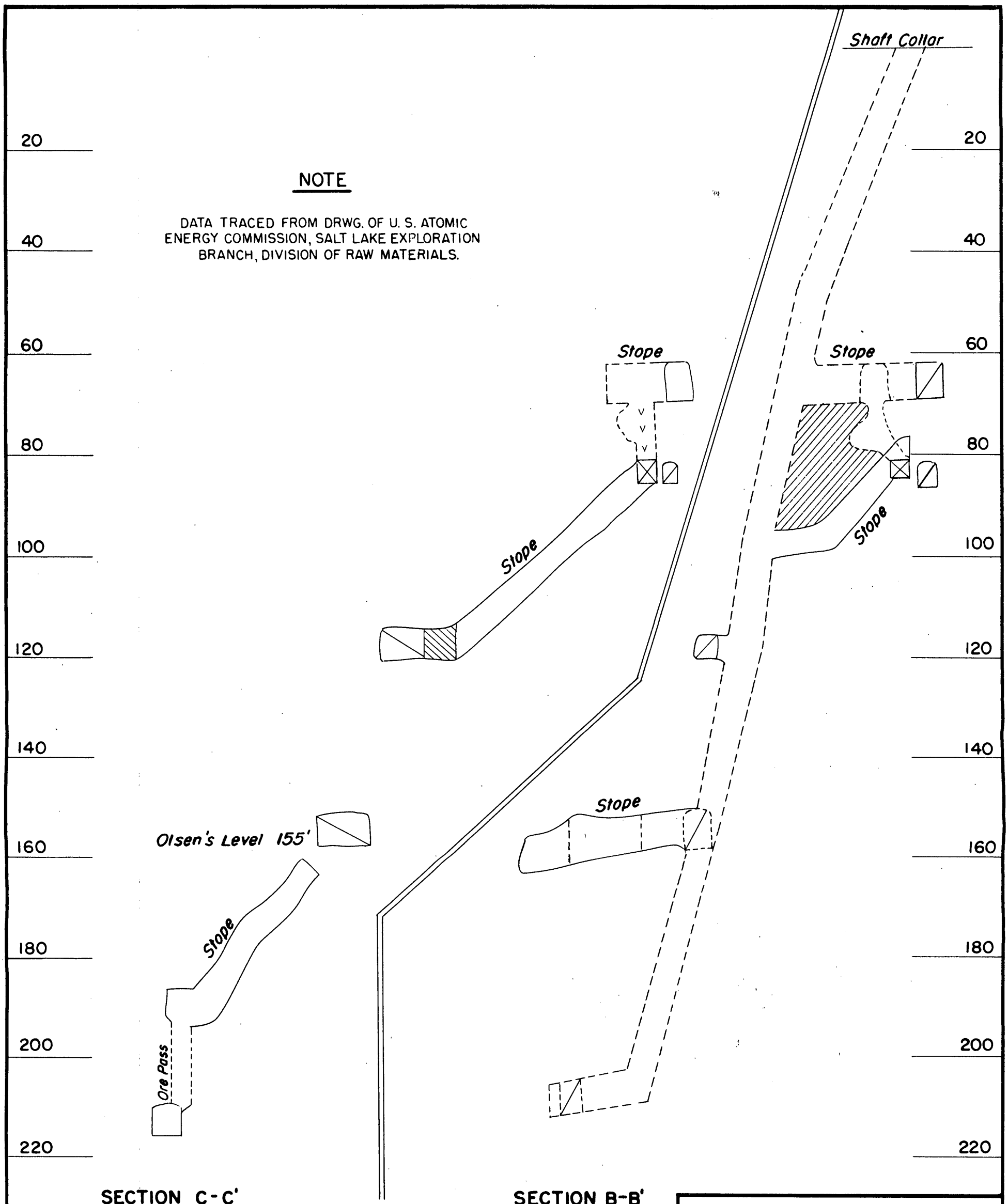

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Sections B-B' and C-C'
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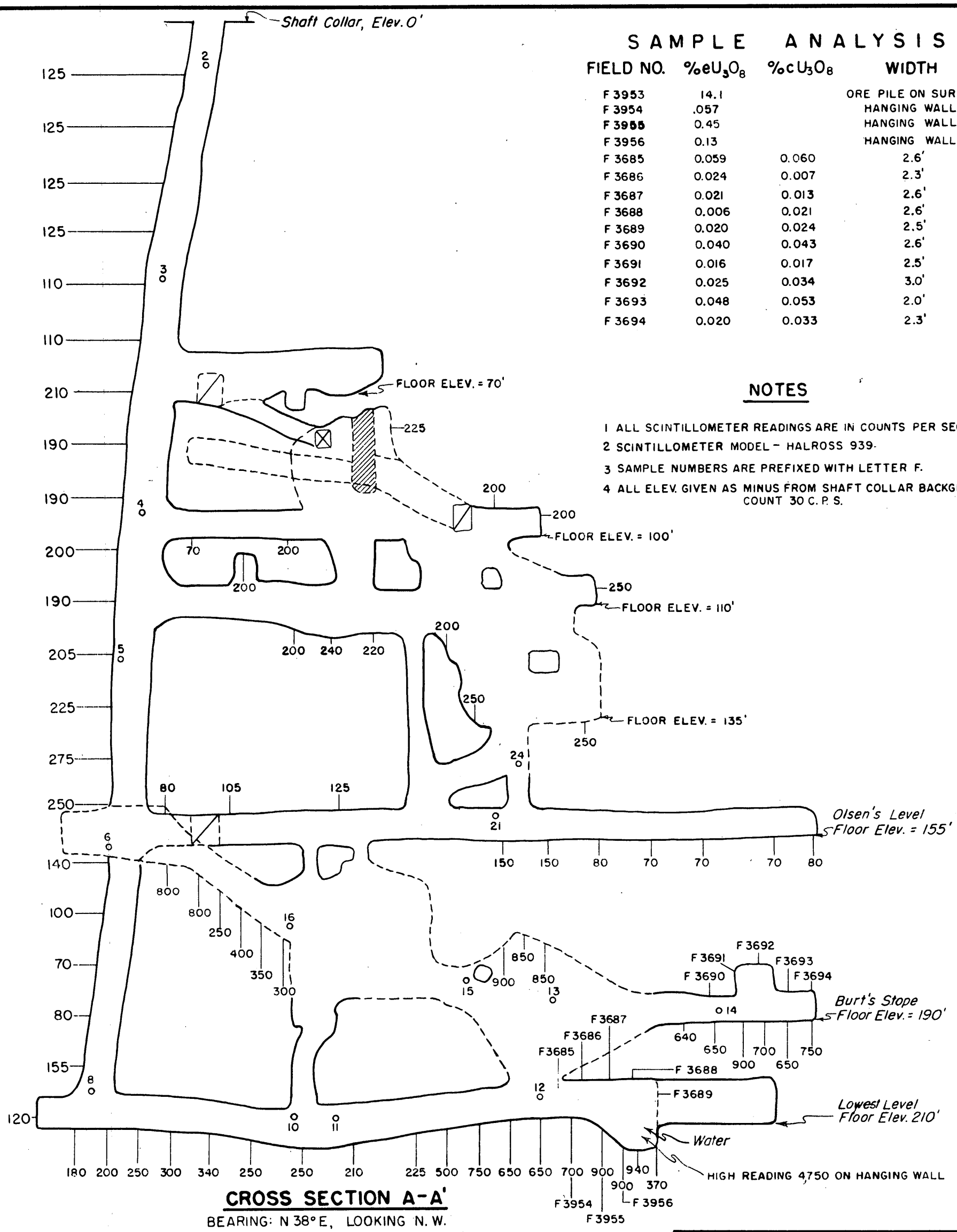

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Cross Section A – A'
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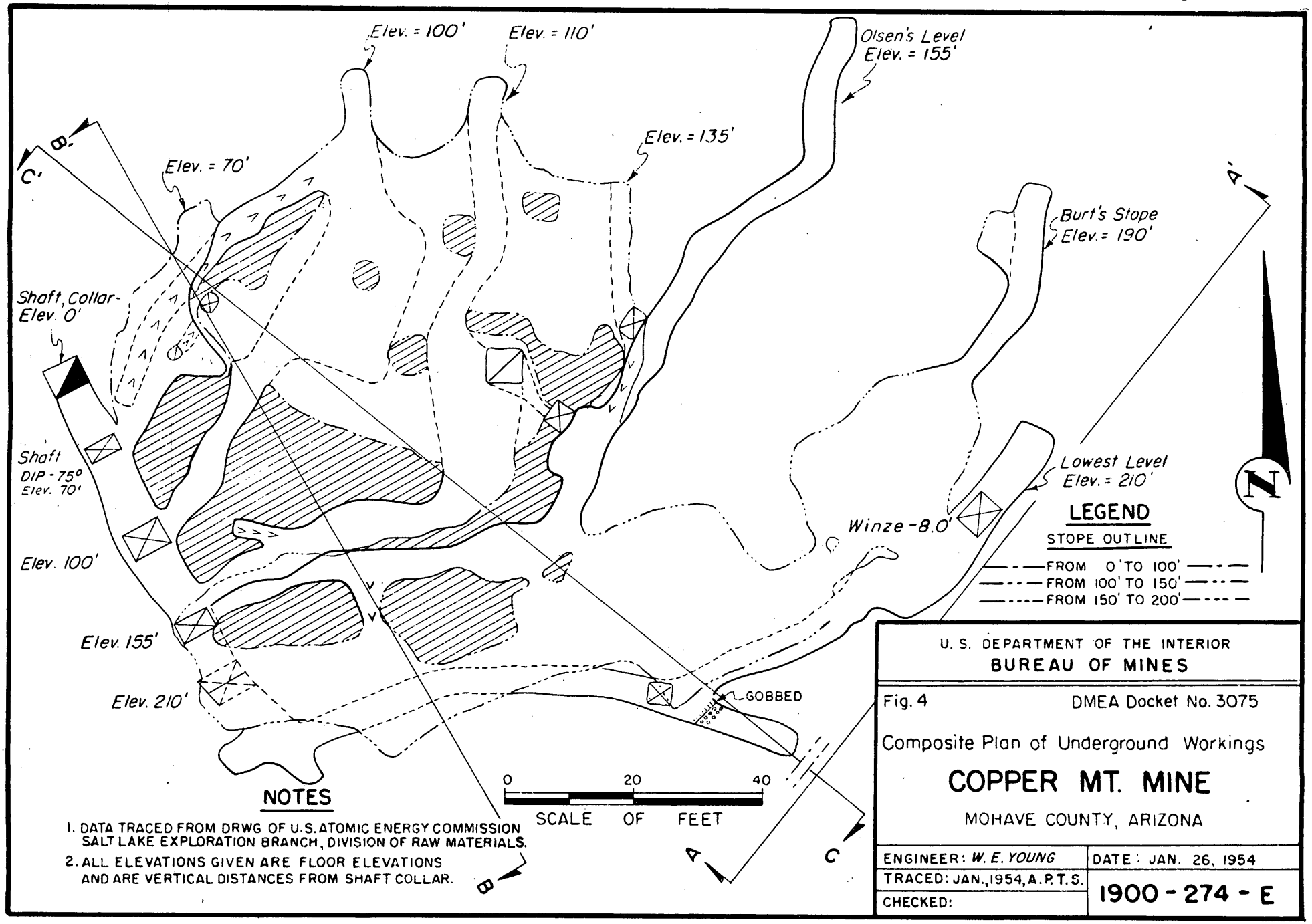
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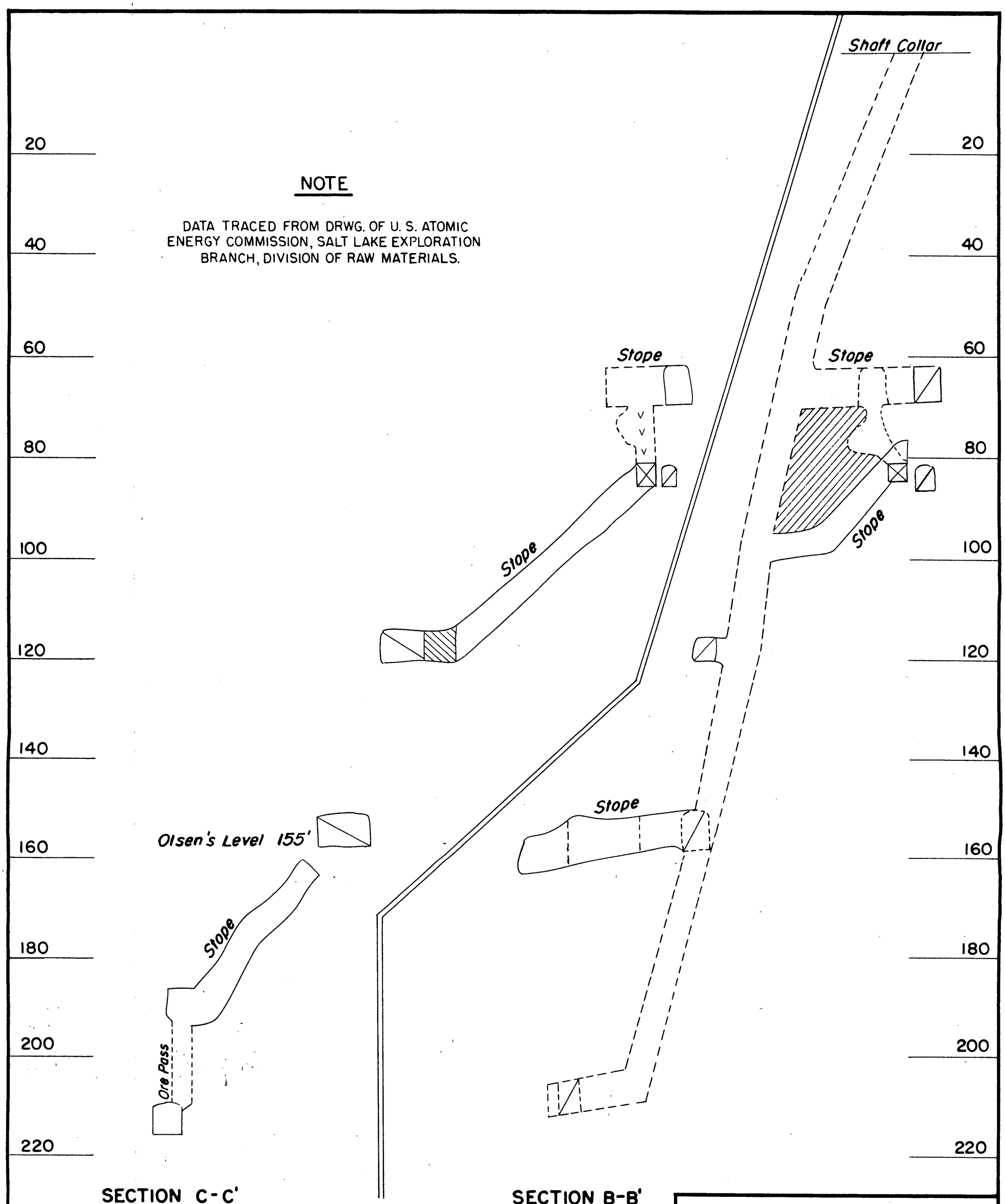

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SECTION B-B'
BEARING: N 30° W

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Sections B-B' and C-C'
LOOKING S.W.

COPPER MT. MINE

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J. AND M. LEASING CO.
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Engineering Report

By W. E. Young
Mining Engineer
Bureau of Mines

J. AND M. LEASING CO.
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SUMMARY

The Cox and Ross claims, held by J. & M. Leasing Co., were examined on December 1, 1953, in response to a DMEA application for Government assistance. The claims include the Copper Mountain mine, an old property which has been worked intermittently over a long period for high-grade copper ores. The small size of the ore body in conjunction with inaccessibility of the property has undoubtedly limited development at an earlier date. The mine has been opened to the 210-foot level by an inclined shaft with levels at various intervals driven into the main ore shoot.

Access to the property is via a deep, narrow canyon, typical of the plateau country. Road maintenance in the canyon is costly and impractical. Further development of the area is dependent upon construction of an access road over the Kaibab-Coconino rim to eliminate the canyon road.

Recent discovery of uranium in the copper ore has enhanced the value of the property and interest therein. The Atomic Energy Commission mapped the underground workings of the Copper Mountain mine and is now studying the surrounding area. A project to make the area accessible by a road over the rim is under consideration by this agency.

Recommendation is made that a DMEA loan be granted. Proposals submitted by the loan applicants, however, are considered too ambitious

and a modified program is recommended. The recommended program consists of construction of a headframe, rehabilitation of 210 feet of shaft, 100 feet of shaft sinking, and 250 feet of drifting and crosscutting. The estimated cost of this work is $24,253. It is recommended that Government participation be at the rate of 70 percent of the cost of the project. This is an average of the participation of 50 percent for copper and 90 percent for uranium. It is suggested that a short-form contract be drawn covering the recommended work.

INTRODUCTION

The Cox and Ross claims were examined December 1, 1953, by a geologist of the Geological Survey and an engineer of the Bureau of Mines. The examination was made in response to a request from the Field Team, Region IV, for appraisal of an application under docket No. DMEA 3075.

Examination of the underground workings of the Copper Mountain property was greatly facilitated by the use of maps supplied by the Atomic Energy Commission. Examination of the surface was limited to a short period because of inclement weather.

LOCATION AND PHYSICAL FEATURES

The Cox and Ross claims are in Mohave County, Arizona, on the north side of the Colorado River (fig. 1). The mine area lies in Andrus Spring Wash, approximately 4 miles northwesterly from the point where this drainage empties into the Colorado River. The specific

location appears to be Secs. 2 or 3, T. 32 N., R. 10 W., G. and S. R. B. and M.

The property is reached by driving south from St. George, Utah, on Highway 64 for 50 miles to the Walking X Ranch. At this point the road branches. The left-hand road leads to the town of Mt. Trumble (Bundyville). The right-hand road, which leads to the mine, continues south—a slightly improved county road. At a point 18.6 miles from the above fork, another poorly marked road branches to the left. This road leads to the head of Andrus Spring Wash and down the wash to the mine. The total distance from St. George to the mine is 96 miles.

The last 14 miles of the road in Andrus Spring Wash is subject to washout during flash floods. Over part of this distance, the road is in the bottom of a straight-walled, narrow canyon. Over much of the remaining distance, the road is on a wide, gravel-bottomed flood plain, strewn with coarse boulders of all sizes. Any shifting of the gravels by flood waters in either section completely obliterates any trace of the road. The nature of the terrain is such that any permanent improvement of the existing road is impossible. The yearly cost of keeping the existing road open has undoubtedly exhausted most of the profits from sale of the ores hauled from the property. The only permanent solution to the road problem lies in the construction of a road over the Kaibab-Cocoanino rim. Such a project is under consideration by the Atomic Energy Commission to make accessible this property and two other similar properties in the area.

The nearest shipping point is Cedar City, Utah. This point, on a branch line of the Union Pacific Railroad, is 150 miles from the mine. Shipment by rail from Cedar City to Garfield, Utah, is approximately 265 miles.

HISTORY AND PRODUCTION

Little is known of the early history of the mine. The first ore produced is reported to have been packed out on burros. Later, attempts were made to haul the ore in wagons through Andrus Spring Wash. The present lessees have attempted to keep this route open for trucking by use of a bulldozer. The small tonnage mined will not justify the expense for the use of this type equipment.

No figures are available for the tonnage and grade of ore mined previous to the period of the present lease. Smelter records for 1953 show the lessees shipped 125 tons which had an average grade of 15.4 percent copper. Although records are incomplete, the size of the stoped areas indicate that in excess of 3,000 tons of ore has been mined. There is very little waste material on the dump. The small amount present may be accounted for by the various drifts driven from the shaft. There is little or no material used as fill in the mine; thus most of the broken material from the stopes must have been shipped. It is unlikely that ore assaying below 15 percent copper could be mined because expenses incidental to mining, shipping and processing would preclude any profits. Reference is made by Hill[1/] of shipments from

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1/ J. M. Hill, U.S.G.S. Bull. 580, p. 56, Copper King Mine.

this property in 1913 which were said to carry 23 to 26 percent copper and from $3 to $4 per ton in silver.

Recent discovery of uranium in the ore has interested the Atomic Energy Commission. This agency has mapped the mine and made a scintillometer survey of the surface and underground workings.

OWNERSHIP AND EXTENT

The original property consists of two claims, the Cox and Ross Mine Claim and the Cox and Ross Mine Claim No. 1. Owners of an undivided three-fourths interest in these claims are: Mary Etta Cox, V. Loraine Cox, Anna C. Cox, Kenneth Cox, and Anna F. Cox, all of St. George, Utah. Donald M. Carter of Chicago, Illinois, is owner of one-fourth interest. Owner's consent to lien has been secured from the undivided three-fourths interest only.

James Wulfenstein and McMurrin Wulfenstein of St. George, Utah, have a lease on the two claims. In addition, the lessees hold by right of location four other claims surrounding the two held under lease (fig. 6).

DESCRIPTION OF THE DEPOSIT

The rocks of the area are Pennsylvanian sandstone and shales of the Supai formation. The mine area is situated midway on the long bench between the steep-walled canyon of the Colorado and the Kaibab-Coconino rim which has been eroded and stepped back to the north. The sandstone beds are essentially flat lying in the area. The ore

body occurs on the periphery of a circular zone of alteration. Within the zone the flat-lying sandstone beds are apparently undisturbed, but have been altered to a tan or buff color from the pink-to-reddish hues seen in the surrounding rocks. The alteration zone is probably 500 to 600 feet in cross section. Surface pits and diggings are seen on the south and east edges. It is reported that occurrences of copper mineralization encircle the zone. No copper is known to have been found within the zone of alteration, although it is reported that a small amount of gold ore has been mined from the central area.

The outcropping mineralization on which the shaft is sunk is on the southeast edge of the zone. The ore shoot dips steeply to the southeast. A slightly radioactive, iron-stained fissure which strikes N. 60° W., passes 200 feet south of the shaft (fig. 2).

ORE DEPOSITS

Copper mineralization has been worked at several points on the surface. The outcrop at the location of the shaft is the only one that has been developed to depth. The shaft is 210 feet deep and mineralization appears to have been persistent from the surface to the bottom level. Any separation between the zone of alteration and the surrounding sandstones is relatively indistinct. Minor breaks or faults may be mapped and brecciated sandstone is seen, but, for the most part, both are local. Structural control, in the form of

a break or wall between the altered sandstone and the unaltered sandstone, while not entirely lacking, is certainly not a marked feature of this deposit.

The shaft dips to the southeast about 75 degrees. A divergence in direction exists between the course of the shaft and the rake of the ore shoot. The distance between the mineralized zone and the shaft increases with each succeeding level. The distance from the shaft to the ore shoot on the 210-foot level is about 120 feet. At the 310-foot level it is estimated that the ore shoot is 150 feet northeast of the shaft.

The principal copper minerals are malachite and azurite with smaller amounts of cuprite and bornite. The ore was recently found to be radioactive and to contain uranium. A scintillometer survey and sample map (fig. 3) prepared by the Atomic Energy Commission shows a concentration of uranium mineralization on the 210-foot level in line with the zone of high copper mineralization. The uranium mineral has been identified as saunerite.

All work has been done within the zone of oxidation. The increase of uranium mineralization at the same elevation at which the workings encountered water may be significant. The present work has not progressed far enough to indicate the effect a water table may have on copper mineralization. A criterion for depth of mineralization for

this type of deposit is not known. A deposit in the area which may be of similar occurrence has been described by Hill.[2/] Mineralization in this deposit was limited to a depth of 250 feet.

ORE RESERVES

There are no developed ore reserves on the property. The ore has been mined from the stopes between the surface and the 210-foot level (fig. 4). The present lessees attempted to sink on the ore below this level, but encountered water and were forced to abandon the work at a depth of 8 feet. The ore appears to continue below the 210-foot level.

No information is at hand regarding the grade of other outcrops on the periphery of the altered zone.

PROPOSED EXPLORATION

The applicant proposes to explore the deposit by deepening the shaft 200 feet and drifting to intersect the ore sheet at 100-foot intervals. The drifts proposed will bear northeast from the shaft and are to be driven 250 feet on the 300-foot level and 250 feet on the 400-foot level. In addition, the applicant proposes two crosscuts. One is to be driven on the 200-foot level in a S. 65° W. direction in order to intersect a projection of the radioactive, iron-stained fissure seen on the surface. This crosscut will be 300 feet in length. It is also proposed to crosscut from the 300-foot level in a N. 25° W. direction for a distance of 100 feet to intersect the main mineralized zone.

2/ See reference cited in footnote 1, p. 46, Grand Gulch Mine.

Incidental to doing this work, the applicant asks for assistance in rehabilitating 210 feet of shaft and in construction of a headframe, hoist house, ore bin, and combination boarding house and bunk house. The estimated cost of the project is $24,508.

The application lists the following equipment available for use on the project:

1 1941 Ford 1½-ton truck

1 1948 International 2½-ton truck

1 1949 Studebaker ½-ton truck

1 Gardner-Denver compressor, 105-cfm.

1 hoist

1 HD7W Allis Chalmers caterpillar

4 jackhammers

1 steel bar and column

1 stoper

Hoses - 300 feet

Steel and bits for machines.

The application states that the applicant proposes to furnish his share of the project costs by depreciation from use of the above equipment. The applicant has given no figure regarding the values of the above pieces of equipment. It is estimated that the value of all the equipment is not in excess of $15,000. Only part of the equipment will be needed on the proposed project.

The following part of the applicant's plan of exploration is recommended by the examining team:

1. Construct small headframe over shaft, with skip dump.
2. Rehabilitate shaft from surface to 210-foot level.
3. Sink shaft an additional 100 feet.
4. Crosscut from bottom of shaft to intersect mineralized zone — 25 to 50 feet.
5. Drift along mineralized zone in a northeast direction 200 feet.

The above plan is designed to test the downward continuation of the uranium-copper mineralization and to serve as a basis from which to appraise the property for development on a larger scale.

The examining team does not recommend more than 100 feet of shaft work at this time because it appears the property can be developed at depth to better advantage by driving an adit 800 to 1,000 feet. The increased distance between the bottom of the shaft and the ore shoot, as each succeeding level is reached, limits the serviceability of the shaft.

Because of the remoteness and inaccessibility of the property, it is estimated that 9 months will be required to complete the above work. It is recommended that construction of a bunk house, hoist house and ore bin be held up pending completion of the recommended project work. Construction of the headframe is necessary to accomplish the proposed work. The steepness of the area at the shaft collar will

necessitate a headframe of unusual design. Rehabilitation of the 1½-compartment, inclined shaft from the surface to the 210-foot level is also a necessity. The timber has rotted and fallen out in places and the shaft is now considered unsafe. The applicant stated his intention of retimbering with a full set and lagging solid all around the shaft. This is not considered necessary because of the good condition of the wall rock. It is recommended that timbering consist of 6" x 6" wall plates, spaced at 6-foot intervals along the footwall. These are to be lined vertically with two 2" x 12" lagging on which the skip rails are to be placed. A 2" x 4" ladderway is to be installed on one side of the shaft. The shaft was timbered in this manner previously. It is recommended that bulkheads be installed at 50-foot intervals in the shaft with necessary clearance openings for skip and manway.

It is believed that any water encountered in sinking the shaft can be bailed from the shaft. No pumping equipment is believed necessary.

The hoist now located on the property is makeshift equipment powered by an International truck engine. It is doubtful if it would be adequate to sink to the 300-foot level. It is recommended that a hoist be rented to complete the project work.

ESTIMATE OF COSTS

Construction of headframe and skip dump

(Time for completion - one month)

Labor and supervision		
3 men - 25 days at $14 per day	$1,050.00	
1 supervisor, $400 per month	400.00	
1 bookkeeper (part time) $50 per month	50.00	
Payroll taxes, liability insurance, etc., at 12 percent of above, 1,500 x .12	180.00	$1,680.00
Operating materials and supplies		
1,500 board feet lumber, 8" x 8" at $130 M	$ 195.00	
500 board feet lumber, 3" x 12" at $130 M	65.00	
500 board feet lumber, "dimentional" at $130 M	65.00	
Nails, bolts, etc.	25.00	
Miscellaneous small tools, gas, oil, etc.	150.00	$ 500.00
Operating equipment - depreciation		
Trailer house	$ 25.00	
1 International 2½-ton truck	33.33	
1 Studebaker ½-ton truck	25.00	$3.33
Total		$2,263.33

Rehabilitation of 210 feet of shaft

(Time for completion - one month)

Labor and supervision		
3 men - 25 days at $14 per day	$1,050.00	
1 supervisor, $400 per month	400.00	
1 bookkeeper (part time) $50 per month	50.00	
Payroll taxes, liability insurance, etc., at 12 percent of above, 1,500 x .12	180.00	$1,680.00

Operating materials and supplies

1,000 board feet lumber, 6" x 6" at $130 M	$130.00	
1,000 board feet lumber, 2" x 4" at $130 M	130.00	
500 board feet lumber, 2" x 4" at $130 M	65.00	
Nails, blocks, wedges, etc.	35.00	
Rails, 12-lb., 225 feet at $770 M, complete	173.25	
Miscellaneous small tools, gas, oil, etc.	250.00	$ 783.25

Operating equipment - purchase

Skip, 1-ton capacity	350.00	$ 350.00

Operating equipment - rental

1 gasoline-driven, single-drum hoist	$ 63.00	$ 63.00

Operating equipment - depreciation

Trailer house	$ 25.00	
1 105-cfm. compressor	50.00	
1 International 2½-ton truck	33.33	
1 Studebaker ½-ton truck	25.00	133.33
		$3,009.58

Shaft sinking 100 feet

(Time for completion - 4 months)

Labor and supervision

3 men - 100 days at $14 per day	$4,200.00	
1 supervisor, $400 per month	1,600.00	
1 bookkeeper (part time) $50 per month	200.00	
Payroll taxes, liability insurance, etc., at 12 percent of above, 6,000 x .12	720.00	$6,720.00

Operating materials and supplies

1,750 board feet lumber at $135 M	$236.25	
Explosives, 100 feet at $2.50 per foot	250.00	
Pipe, 100 feet 2-inch black, at $0.40 per foot	40.00	
Track, 100 feet 12-lb., complete, at $770 M	77.00	
Drill steel and bits, 100 feet at $1.00 per foot	100.00	
Nails, belts, etc.	50.00	
Miscellaneous small tools, gas, oil, etc.	1,400.00	
Repairs to equipment	300.00	$2,453.25

Operating equipment - rental

1 gasoline-driven, single-drum hoist	$252.00	$ 252.00

Operating equipment - depreciation

1 trailer house	$100.00	
1 105-cfm. compressor	200.00	
1 International 2½-ton truck	133.33	
1 Studebaker 1/2-ton truck	100.00	
1 RD7W Allis Chalmers tractor	109.76	
1 jackhammer, mounted	40.00	
1 bar and column	24.00	
1 mine car	13.32	$ 720.41

Total ---------- $10,145.66

Drifting and crosscutting 250 feet

(Time for completion - 3 months)

Labor and supervision

3 men - 75 days at $14 per day	$3,150.00	
1 supervisor, $400 per month	1,200.00	
1 bookkeeper (part time) $50 per month	150.00	
Payroll taxes, liability insurance, etc., at 12 percent of above, 4,500 x .12	540.00	$5,040.00

Operating materials and supplies

Explosives, 250 feet at $2.10 per foot	$525.00	
Pipe, 250 feet 2-inch black, at $0.40 per foot	100.00	
Track, 250 feet 12-lb., complete, at $770 M	192.50	
Drill steel and bits, 250 feet at $1.00 per foot	250.00	
Miscellaneous small tools, gas, oil, etc.	800.00	
Repairs to equipment	200.00	$2,067.50

Operating equipment - rental

1 gasoline-driven, single-drum hoist	$189.00	$ 189.00

Operating equipment - depreciation

1 trailer house	$ 75.00	
1 105-cfm. compressor	150.00	
1 International 2½-ton truck	100.00	
1 Studebaker ½-ton truck	75.00	
1 HD7W Allis Chalmers tractor	80.00	
1 jackhammer, mounted	30.00	
1 bar and column	18.00	
1 mine car	10.00	$ 538.00
		$7,834.50

Consulting geologist, 20 days at $50 per day — $1,000.00

Grand Total — $24,253.07

Total Project Labor and Supervision Costs

Construction of headframe	$1,050.00	
Rehabilitation of shaft	1,050.00	
Shaft sinking	4,200.00	
Drifting and crosscutting	3,150.00	
1 superintendent, $400 per month, 9 months	3,600.00	
1 bookkeeper (part time) $50 per month, 9 months	450.00	$13,500.00

Payroll taxes, liability insurance, at 12 percent of above, $13,500 x 12 percent	$1,620.00
Consulting geologist, 20 days at $50	1,000.00
Total	$16,120.00

Total Project Operating Materials and Supplies Costs

Headframe	$500.00	
Shaft rehabilitation	783.25	
Shaft sinking	2,453.25	
Drifting and crosscutting	2,067.50	
Total		$ 5,804.00

Total Project Operating Equipment Cost

Purchase

Skip, 1-ton capacity	$ 350.00

Rental

1 gasoline-driven, single-drum hoist, 8 months at $63	$ 504.00

Depreciation

	Value	9 months	8 months	7 months
1 105-cfm. compressor	$3,000	—	$400.00	—
1 International 2½-ton truck	2,000	$300.00	—	—
1 Studebaker ½-ton truck	1,500	225.00	—	—
1 HD7W Allis Chalmers tractor	5,000	—	—	$189.76*
1 jackhammer, mounted	600	—	—	70.00
1 bar and column	360	—	—	42.00
1 mine car	200	—	—	23.32
1 trailer house	1,500	$225.00	—	—
Total		$ 750.00	$400.00	$325.08

Total equipment cost	$2,329.07

*Allow for use 1/3 of the time. Superintendent to serve as operator.

SUMMARY OF COSTS

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Operating material and supplies	5,804.00
Operating equipment	2,329.07
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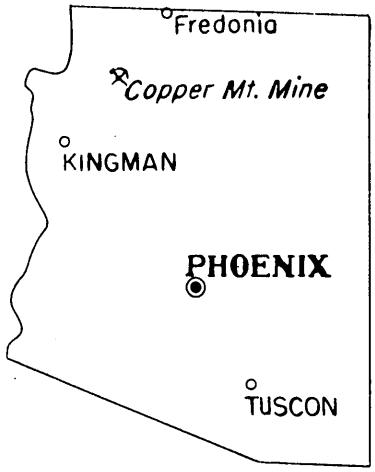
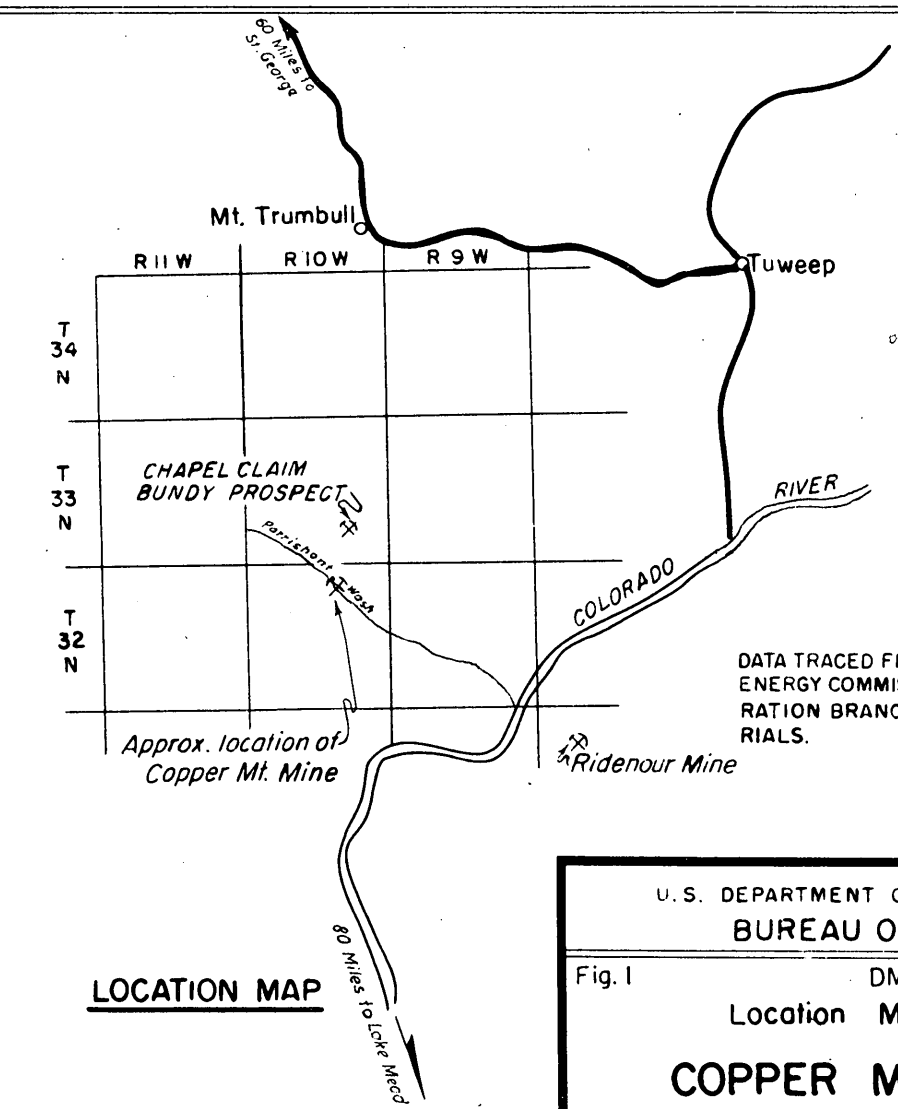
The cost of the recommended work is estimated to total $24,253. Based on the figures shown under "Estimate of Costs," a short-form contract is recommended with the following unit costs:

Description	Total Cost	Unit Cost
Headframe construction	$2,263.33	$2,263.33
Shaft rehabilitation - 210 feet	3,009.58	14.33
Shaft sinking - 100 feet	10,145.66	101.46
Drifting and crosscutting - 250 feet	7,834.50	31.34
Services of geologist - 20 days	1,000.00	50.00
	$24,253.07	



MAP OF ARIZONA



LOCATION MAP

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Fig. 1 DMEA Docket No. 3075

Location Maps of

COPPER MT. MINE

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MOHAVE COUNTY, ARIZONA

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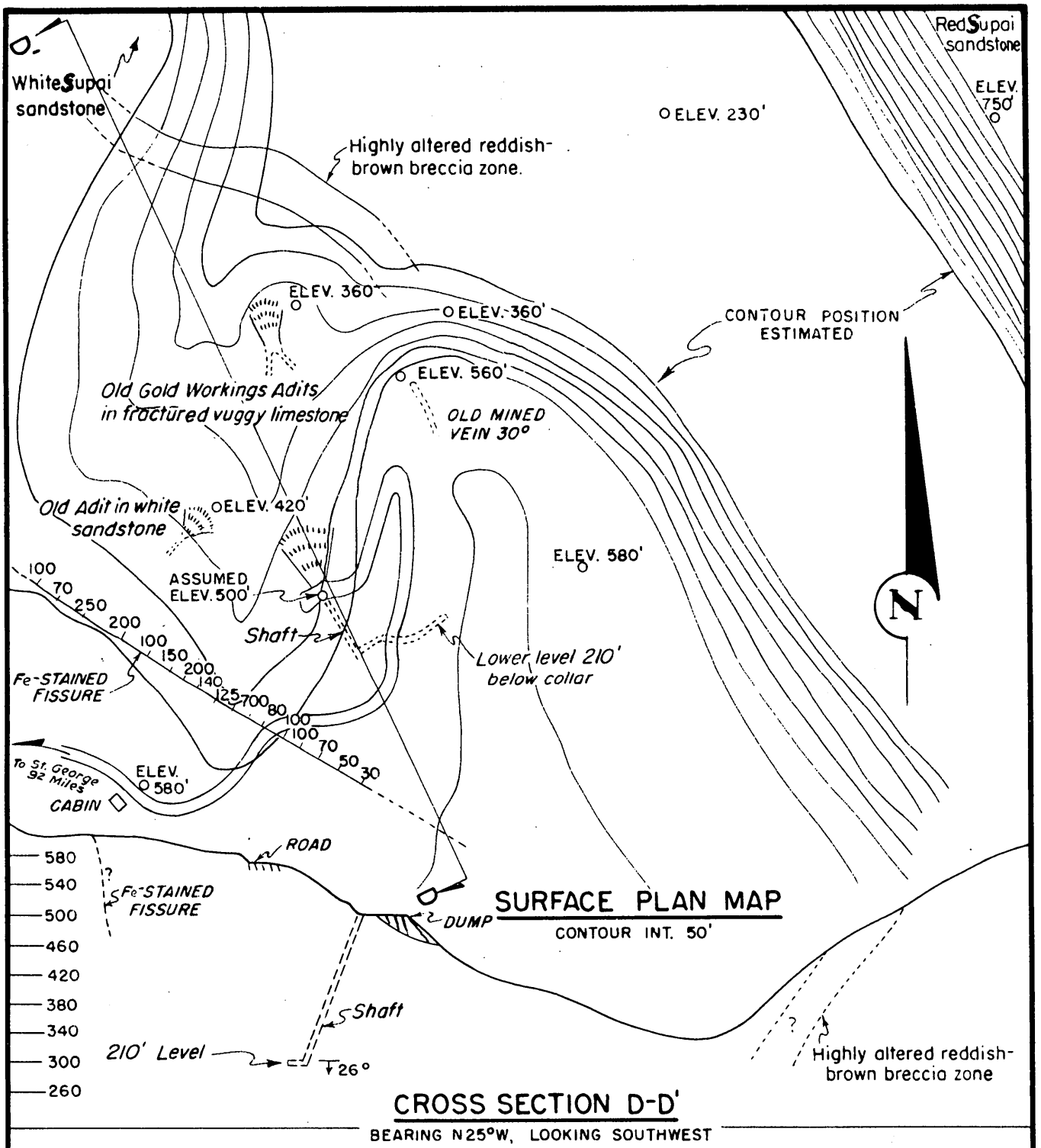

CROSS SECTION D-D'

BEARING N25°W, LOOKING SOUTHWEST

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Fig. 2 DMEA Docket No. 3075

Surface Plan Map and Cross Section D-D'

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Denver, Colorado

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Mr. McBurrin Wulfenstein, Partner
J. & M. Leasing Company
446 West 400 North
St. George, Utah

Re: Docket No. DMEA-3075 (Corner)
J. & M. Leasing Company
Cox & Ross et al Mining Claims
Mohave County, Arizona

Dear Mr. Wulfenstein:

We are advised by Mr. K. H. King, Executive Officer, DMEA Field Team, Region IV, Denver, Colorado, that your company has not provided the necessary documents to make effective a contract which was prepared covering the cited project.

Therefore, we must consider that you are no longer interested in your application for an exploration loan and are withdrawing it from our active files.

Sincerely yours,

C. O. Mittendorf

Administrator

WRGriswold/bjl (1/10/55)

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224 New Customhouse
Denver 2, Colorado

January 4, 1955

Memorandum

To: Chairman, Operating Committee, DMEA

From: Executive Officer, DMEA Field Team, Region III

Subject: Docket DMEA 3075 (Copper), J. & M. Leasing Company, Cox and Ross et al. Mining Claims, Mohave County, Arizona

Enclosed for your disposition are the original and five copies of proposed Exploration Project Contract No. Idm-5729 which was prepared in Washington and has been signed by the Administrator for the Government and forwarded by your letter of November 29, 1954.

Inasmuch as the applicants have failed to supply the additional documents stipulated by you within the prescribed time as indicated in our letter to them of December 1, 1954, a copy of which was furnished to you, we recommend that the docket file be closed and this office so notified for our records.

W. H. King

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224 New Customhouse
Denver 2, Colorado

November 17, 1954

Messrs. McMurrin Wulfenstein
and James E. Wulfenstein
J. & M. Leasing Company
446 West 400 North
St. George, Utah

Re: Docket DMEA 3075 (Copper)

Gentlemen:

Reference is made to our letter of October 22, 1954, wherein we stated that before the proposed contract could be released to you for signature you provide this office with Form MF-203, Owner's Consent to Lien, executed by the original lessors covering their 3/4 interest in the Cox and Rose mine claims, and that you provide this office with six photostat copies of the document which validates your claim to the Copper Mountain claim.

We urge that your prompt attention be given to this matter, or that you advise by return mail as to whether or not you are still desirous of obtaining Government assistance in exploration work as outlined in the second paragraph of our letter dated October 22.

Yours very truly,

J. F. Shaw

J. F. Shaw for
W. H. King
Executive Officer
DMEA Field Team, Region IV

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Copy to: Chairman, Operating Committee (2)
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224 New Customhouse
Denver 2, Colorado

November 17, 1954

Memorandum

To: Chairman, Operating Committee
Defense Minerals Exploration Administration

From: Executive Officer, DMEA Field Team, Region IV

Subject: Docket DMEA 3075 (Copper), Proposed Contract Idm-2729, J. & M. Leasing Company, Mohave County, Arizona

Enclosed are the original and five copies of the subject proposed contract which were forwarded to this office by your letter dated October 19, 1954. In conjunction with the comments by C. H. Johnson in his memorandum dated August 25, 1954, we are enclosing the following material:

1. The original and three copies of a memorandum dated November 9 from R. W. Osterstock, Utah-Nevada District Office, U. S. Geological Survey.

2. The original and three copies of a memorandum dated November 15, 1954, from the Chief, Minerals Development Branch, Mining Division, Region IV.

The examining engineer and geologist concur in the change in the work description as suggested by Johnson in his memorandum dated August 25. Therefore, we are returning all copies of the contract for such revisions as you deem desirable.

In addition to the foregoing material we are enclosing for your information two copies of our letter of October 22 and follow-up letter of November 17 to the applicants regarding certain additional required documents as outlined in the memorandum dated October 7, 1954, from the Acting Assistant Solicitor, a copy of which was forwarded with your letter of October 19.

J. F. Shaw

J. F. Shaw for
W. H. King

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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
DEFENSE MINERALS EXPLORATION ADMINISTRATION
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

224 New Customhouse
Denver 2, Colorado

October 22, 1954

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and James E. Wulfenstein
J. & M. Leasing Company
446 West 400 North
St. George, Utah

Re: Docket DMEA 3075 (Copper)

Gentlemen:

Reference is made to your application for Government assistance in exploration under the Defense Minerals Exploration Administration which has been docketed DMEA 3075.

The Washington office, DMEA, has prepared a proposed exploration contract for the commodity of copper alone involving 900 feet of crosscutting and drifting at $30.00 per foot, and 40 assays at $1.50 each, at a total estimated cost of $27,060.00, in which the Government will participate to the extent of 50% or an amount of $13,530.00.

Before the contract can be released to you it is necessary that Form MF-203 Owner's Consent to Lien be executed by the original lessors covering their 3/4 interest in the Cox and Ross mine claims; for which purpose we are enclosing the original and six copies for signature by the lessors as indicated on the form. Please have all copies of the form signed by the lessors and return the original and five copies to this office.

In addition you are referred to the last paragraph of the letter dated March 10, 1954 from the Administrator, DMEA, to Mr. James Wulfenstein, which is relative to validification of your Copper Mountain claim. Records in this office do not indicate that the validity of the Copper Mountain claims was ever established as requested in the Administrator's letter, therefore please supply this office with six photostat copies of the document which validates the claims as set forth in Volume 43, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 185.36.

When the above documents have been received and other matters resolved which are pending in this office, we will then be in a position to release the contract to you for execution.

Very truly yours,

W. H. King
Executive Officer, DMEA
Field Team, Region IV

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cc Subject
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SRWilson
RJRoberts
AHKoschmann
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Encls.

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF MINES
1600 EAST FIRST SOUTH STREET
SALT LAKE CITY 1, UTAH

Mining Division
Date Rec'd
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BUREAU OF MINES
Denver, Colorado

November 15, 1954

Memorandum

To: W. M. King, Executive Officer, DMEA Field Team, Region IV

From: Chief, Minerals Development Branch, Mining Division, Region IV

Subject: Docket No. DMEA-3075 (Copper), Proposed Contract Idm-E729, J and M Leasing Co., Cox and Ross claims, Mohave County, Arizona

Reference is made to your memorandum of October 22, 1954, concerning the subject proposed contract. Information transmitted with your memorandum included copies of the following:

1. A memorandum dated August 25, 1954, from C. H. Johnson to E. W. Ellis.

2. A memorandum dated October 7, 1954, from J. L. Hofflund to the Administrator, DMEA.

3. A letter from your office dated October 22, 1954, to Messrs. McMurrin Wulfenstein and James E. Wulfenstein.

This office has no objection to the proposal made by C. H. Johnson that the planned crosscut be started from a point northwest of the portal site, as suggested in the Supplemental Engineering Report. Since the location and attitude of the expected ore zone at the elevation of the proposed crosscut are not definitely known, it appears that either of the proposed portal locations will be suitable. Johnson's proposed adit more closely parallels the trend of the ore shoot as indicated in the accessible workings, and thus will be more in the nature of a drift than crosscut. A drift could conceivably miss any parallel mineralized zones. It is possible that the adit as suggested by Johnson would intersect the ore zone with less lateral work, and also decrease the length of access road required. The latter is not considered to be of considerable significance, inasmuch as the saving in road distance is small and only bulldozing equipment will be required in the immediate vicinity of the proposed portal area.

Stephen R. Wilson
Stephen R. Wilson

Room 208 - 222 So. West Temple
Salt Lake City 1, Utah
November 9, 1954

OKM
for AHK

Memorandum

To: A. H. Koschmann, DMEA Field Team, Region IV

From: R. W. Osterstock, Utah-Nevada District Office

Subject: DMEA Docket 3075 (Copper), Proposed Contract Idm-E729, J. & M. Leasing Company, a partnership composed of McMurrin Wulfenstein and James E. Wulfenstein, Mohave County, Arizona.

Following are the recommendations and comments relative to C. H. Johnson's suggested changes in the work to be performed under the subject contract as requested by W. N. King in his memo dated October 22, 1954.

Johnson's new adit bearing is more in the nature of a drift than a crosscut and is very nearly on strike with the downward projection of the northeasterly trending ore zone, consequently, it is possible that the ore zone will be encountered earlier than is anticipated in the proposed 700 foot adit. It should be pointed out that the downdip projection of the ore zone to the proposed adit level (see fig. 7, accompanying "Supplemental Report") probably is inexact due to irregularities in the structural setting.

The suggestion that the bearing of the proposed adit be changed to S. 55° W. appears to be well founded in that this new bearing reaches the "target area" with somewhat less footage in the adit than that required in the adit proposed in the "Supplemental Report" dated August 16, 1954.

However, since this new adit bearing approaches the ore zone from a very acute angle, I believe it will be advisable to provide for 50 feet of cross cutting in a northwesterly direction and 100 feet of crosscutting in a southeasterly direction in order to assure intersection of the downward projection of the ore zone as mapped in existing workings. The drifting as originally proposed may be started after the ore zone is intersected.

Regarding the validation of the four Copper Mountain claims as noted in J. N. Hofflund's memo dated October 7, 1954, a brief conversation with McMurrin Wulfenstein has disclosed that the mine property is within the boundaries of the Lake Mead Recreation area. Apparently the property was tax delinquent for a brief period during 1939 at which time the park officials felt that the title of the property reverted to the Lake Mead Recreation area. As yet no clearance has been received by the operators which will permit reentering the area for mining purposes.

It may be that DMEA officials in Washington or one of the Regional offices can determine whether such clearance will be granted the operators, and consequently whether there is justification for any further action concerning this docket.

R. W. Osterstock

RWO/rs
cc: S. R. Wilson

224 New Customhouse
Denver 2, Colorado

December 1, 1954

Messrs. McMurrin Wulfenstein
and James E. Wulfenstein
446 West 400 North
St. George, Utah

Re: Docket DMEA 3075 (Copper)
Mohave County, Arizona

Gentlemen:

Reference is made to our letters of October 22 and November 17, 1954, wherein we advised that certain additional documents would be necessary before the proposed exploration project contract could be released to you.

As you have not complied with our request in supplying the additional documents it appears that you are no longer interested in obtaining Government assistance in exploration work under the Defense Minerals Exploration Administration program. However, we will defer closing the matter, giving you 30 days from the date of this letter to supply the requested documents before closing our files on your application, which was docketed No. DMEA 3075.

Very truly yours,

W H King

W. H. King
Executive Officer, DMEA
Field Team, Region IV

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cc Subject
Chron
Chairman, Oper. Comm.
Wilson
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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR 500
DEFENSE MINERALS EXPLORATION ADMINISTRATION
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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Denver, Colorado

NOV 29 1954

Mr. W. H. King, Executive Officer
DMEA Field Team, Region IV
224 New Customhouse
Denver 2, Colorado

Re: Docket No. DMEA-3075 (Copper)
J & M Leasing Company
Cox & Ross et al Mining Claims
Mohave County, Arizona

Dear Mr. King:

We have your letter of November 17 with enclosures, covering the cited project. We are returning the revised contract copies which contain the proviso permitting the proposed change in work program.

If the Applicants do not present the necessary documents, as outlined in your letters to them of October 22 and November 17, we suggest that you write them again advising that, if the material is not received within the following thirty days, their application will be considered as having been withdrawn.

Sincerely yours,

Ernest W. Ellis

ACTING Chairman, Operating Committee

Enclosure

APPROVED:

O. H. Hedges
Member, Bureau of Mines

Robert W. Nilsgaard
Member, Geological Survey

224 New Customhouse
Denver 2, Colorado

October 22, 1954

Memorandum

To: S. R. Wilson
R. J. Roberts

From: Executive Officer, DMEA Field Team, Region IV

Subject: Docket DMEA 3075 (Copper), Proposed Contract Idm-E729, J. & M. Leasing Company, a partnership composed of McTurrin Wulfenstein and James R. Wulfenstein, Mohave County, Arizona

Enclosed is a copy of proposed Contract Idm-E729 which was prepared in Washington and has been signed by the Administrator, DMEA, for the Government, and forwarded through this office for signature by the operator provided certain matters are resolved first.

In conjunction with matters to be resolved we are enclosing the following:

1. Copy of a memorandum dated August 25, 1954 from C.H. Johnson to E.W. Ellis, wherein Johnson suggests changes in the location and manner of the work to be performed.

2. Copy of a memorandum dated October 7, 1954 from J.L. Hofflund, Acting Assistant Solicitor, DMEA, to the Administrator, DMEA, wherein he stipulates that certain requirements be fulfilled prior to execution of the contract.

3. Copy of a letter from this office dated October 22, 1954 to Messrs. Wulfenstein outlining the requirements stipulated by the Solicitor.

Please get together on the matter covered by Johnson in his memorandum of August 25 and submit your recommendations relative thereto at the earliest date possible.

JWT:jp
cc Subject
Chron
Koschmann w/encls (except contract)
Enclosures

W. H. King

Townsend

224 New Customhouse
Denver 2, Colorado

October 22, 1954

Messrs McMurrin Wulfenstein
and James E. Wulfenstein
J. & M. Leasing Company
446 West 400 North
St. George, Utah

Re: Docket DMEA 3075 (Copper)

Gentlemen:

Reference is made to your application for Government assistance in exploration under the Defense Minerals Exploration Administration which has been docketed DMEA 3075.

The Washington office, DMEA, has prepared a proposed exploration contract for the commodity of copper alone involving 900 feet of crosscutting and drifting at $30.00 per foot, and 40 assays at $1.50 each, at a total estimated cost of $27,060.00, in which the Government will participate to the extent of 50% or an amount of $13,530.00.

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Very truly yours,
W. H. KING

W. H. King
Executive Officer, DMEA
Field Team, Region IV

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF MINES
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

August 25, 1954

Memorandum

To: E. W. Ellis, DMEA

From: C. H. Johnson, Bureau of Mines

Subject: DMEA-3075 (Copper) J&M Leasing Company, Cox and Ross Claims, Mohave County, Arizona

I have reviewed the reports from the field transmitted by the Field Team, August 16, 1954, entitled "Supplemental Examination Report."

It appears that the prospects for a worthwhile discovery of uranium are insufficient in the opinion of the field team to merit much consideration on the part of the DMEA. In any event, the Field Team recommends only 50 percent participation.

It appears to me that the proposal to explore the deposit by means of an adit is sensible and well justified. My only suggestion on this is that the proposed course of the adit is wasteful of footage. I would suggest that it be started -say, at about elevation of 550 feet on a bearing South 55° West from a point about 75 feet down stream from the "fracture zone approximately 20 feet wide" shown on the map. This bearing will bring it to the same target point in the same distance, namely, 700 feet, and will possibly strike the ore shoot or ore zone, considerably sooner. It will also shorten the access road to the portal about 250 feet, assuming the road comes down the gulley north of the mine. Provisions should be made, of course, that the adit would follow the ore whenever ore is encountered and that if no ore is encountered by the time the target point is reached (approximately under the "old rock house" shown on the map) that a crosscut might be turned off to the northwest for 100 feet or so in an endeavor to intersect the ore-bearing fissure.

C. H. Johnson

C. H. Johnson

Copy to - Minerals Division
Rare & Precious Metals Branch
C. H. Johnson
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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
OFFICE OF THE SOLICITOR
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

October 7, 1954

Memorandum

To: The Administrator, DMEA

Through: W. R. Griswold

From: Acting Assistant Solicitor, Defense Minerals

Subject: Docket No. DMEA-3075 (Copper), J. & M. Leasing Company

Pursuant to the request in your memorandum dated September 22, we have prepared the attached contract, subject to the following requirements prior to execution:

1. The Operator is sublessee of three-fourths interest in two Cox and Ross Mine claims. Therefore, an Owner's Consent to Lien on the latest form is required from the five lessors of the three-fourths interest (Coxes). Our letter dated July 17, 1953, to Applicant's counsel, waived requirement for an Owner's Consent to Lien in the outstanding one-fourth interest.

2. The Administrator's letter to the Applicant dated March 10 required validation of the four Copper Mountain claims as therein set forth. We find no evidence in the docket that such validation has been made.

J. L. Hofflund

J. L. Hofflund
Acting Assistant Solicitor
Defense Minerals

Attachments 8
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Copy to: DMEA Docket
Solicitor's Docket
W. R. Griswold (2)
J. L. Hofflund
H. C. Rubin
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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR 500
DEFENSE MINERALS EXPLORATION ADMINISTRATION
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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Denver, Colorado

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Mr. W. H. King, Executive Officer
DMEA Field Team, Region IV
224 New Customhouse Building
Denver 2, Colorado

Re: Docket No. DMEA-3075 (Copper)
J & M Leasing Company
Cox & Ross et al Mining Claims
Mohave County, Arizona

Dear Mr. King:

We are enclosing the original and five copies of a contract for the cited project. Please note the two stipulations of the enclosed memorandum dated October 7 from the Acting Assistant Solicitor. After such requirements have been satisfied the contract and all copies may be presented to the Applicant for signature and the copies distributed in the usual manner.

We also call your attention to the enclosed memorandum dated August 25 of Mr. C. H. Johnson, USBM. You will note he suggests some change in the proposed crosscut location.

In the event that the contract may not meet with your approval, all copies should be returned to this office with your comments.

Sincerely yours,

George C. Selfridge
Chairman, Operating Committee

Enclosures 3

APPROVED:

R. H. Hedges
Member, Bureau of Mines

Walter H. Wilsgaard
Member, Geological Survey

224 New Customhouse
Denver 2, Colorado

August 16, 1954.

To: Chairman of the Operating Committee, DMEA

From: DMEA Field Team, Region IV

Subject: Supplemental examination report, Docket No. DMEA-3075 (Copper-Uranium), J. and M. Leasing Company, Cox and Ross claims, Mohave County, Arizona.

Enclosed are four copies of a supplemental engineering memorandum from a Bureau of Mines engineer, four copies of a supplemental geologic memorandum from a Geological Survey geologist, and four copies of a memorandum from an Atomic Energy Commission geologist pertaining to Docket No. DMEA-3075.

The report of examination was transmitted to the Secretary of the Operating Committee on February 12, 1954.

In a letter dated March 24, 1954, the Chairman of the Operating Committee requested that the application be discussed with Ernest E. Thurlow, Atomic Energy Commission, Salt Lake City, Utah.

On March 29, 1954, the Chairman of the Operating Committee requested certain additional information which was requested by Arthur F. Butler, A. R. Kinkel, Jr., and C. H. Johnson in memoranda attached to the above letter.

The original examination report recommended that the applicant be granted a loan of $24,253.00 to rehabilitate the main shaft from the surface to the 210-feet level, sink the shaft 100 feet, and drift and crosscut 250 feet on the 310-foot level.

The Atomic Energy Commission geologist stated that the most logical and economical way to explore this property is by crosscutting and drifting. He recommended that a crosscut be driven approximately 600 feet to the mineralized zone and 200 feet of drift be driven along the mineralization.

A supplemental engineering memorandum recommended that a tunnel be driven approximately 700 feet in a southwesterly direction

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to intersect the zone of mineralization and 200 feet of drift be driven along the mineralized zone. The estimated cost of 900 feet of work at $30.00 per foot is $27,000.00.

The applicant agreed to construct a road at no expense to the Government from the main shaft to the site of the proposed adit portal.

The records of the Minerals Development Branch at Denver indicate that a significant amount of copper, lead and zinc has been produced from this property. It appears that any uranium mineralization would be accompanied by copper mineralization. The ore would in all probability be shipped to a copper smelter and the uranium content would be lost. We doubt if a significant amount of uranium would be discovered as a result of the proposed exploration. We recommend that this exploration be approved for copper alone on the basis of 50% Government participation.

If it is agreeable to the applicant a contract should be prepared authorizing 700 feet of adit and 200 feet of drifting along the mineralized zone at the unit cost of $90.00 per foot.

The location of the proposed work is shown on the map attached to the engineering report. However, the applicant should agree to construct the road to the site of the proposed tunnel portal at no expense to the Government.

These recommendations were discussed with and approved by A. P. Butler, Jr.

W. H. King
W. H. King

E. N. Hasselman
for A. H. Koschmann

Enclosures

JFS:cvm

cc: Docket DMEA-3075)
~~Administrator, DMEA~~)
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SRWilson)
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Mining Division)
DMEA)

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Denver Colorado

July 9, 1954

Mr. Charles M. Pickett
Attorney at Law
Pickett Building
St. George, Utah

Dear Mr. Pickett:

Reference is made to your letter of July 6, 1954, concerning docket No. DMEA 3075, J and M Leasing Co., Mohave County, Arizona.

Reports of the examining team were submitted to the DMEA Field Team, Region IV, during February 1954. Questions concerning a possible method of exploration on the property were brought to your attention by correspondence dated May 18, 1954. It is believed that you will receive definite word concerning the application within a relatively short period. If you do not receive correspondence relative to final action on the application within a reasonable period, please communicate with W. H. King, Executive Officer, DMEA Field Team, Region IV, 224 New Customhouse, Denver, Colorado.

Very truly yours,

Stephen R. Wilson

Stephen R. Wilson, Chief
Minerals Development Branch
Mining Division, Region IV

cc: W. H. King (2)

No ans required
see letter from P. T. 7-6-54

224 New Customhouse
Denver 2, Colorado

July 6, 1954.

Memorandum

To: S. R Wilson
Ralph J. Roberts (w/copy of ltr.)

From: Field Team, DMEA, Region IV.

Subject: Docket No. DMEA-3075 (Uranium), J. & M. Leasing Company, Cox and Ross claims, Mohave County, Arizona.

Will you please give us the supplemental information requested in the letter from the Chairman of the Operating Committee dated March 24, 1954, a copy of which was forwarded to Mr. Wilson with our memorandum of March 29, 1954.

W. H. King
W. H. King

for E. N. Hawkman
A. H. Koschmann

HMC:cwm

cc: Docket
AHKoschmann w/Encl.
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Denver, Colorado

June 3, 1954

Memorandum

To: W. H. King, Executive Officer, DMEA Field Team, Region IV

From: Chief, Minerals Development Branch, Mining Division, Region IV

Subject: Docket No. DMEA 3075 (Uranium), J. and M. Leasing Co., Cox and Ross claims, Mohave County, Arizona

Reference is made to your memorandum of March 29, 1954, by which you transmitted a letter from the Chairman of the Operating Committee concerning the subject docket.

We have discussed the docket with Ernest E. Thurlow, Atomic Energy Commission, as requested in the Chairman's letter. Copies of Mr. Thurlow's letter dated May 5, 1954, and a memorandum report dated April 21, 1954, prepared by Earl N. King of the Atomic Energy Commission, Richfield, Utah, are attached. Thurlow and King recommend an alternate proposal in exploring the property. This proposal consists of driving a crosscut to intersect a projection of the mineralized zone in lieu of sinking the shaft 100 feet.

The examining engineer and geologist believe the alternate proposal has considerable merit, but before final recommendations are made, it is desirable that we have more topographic and geologic detail to permit reasonable estimation of distances to be driven and cost of the work. The examining geologist, C. G. Tillman, plans to map the area during the week of June 7, 1954.

A letter from this office dated May 18, 1954, to James Wulfenstein, one of the partners in the J. and M. Leasing Co., requests comment on the above alternate proposal. A copy of this letter is in your file. A letter of reply was received from Pickett and Pickett, attorneys for the J. and M. Leasing Co., indicating approval of the alternate proposal. A copy of the letter of reply, dated May 25, 1954, is attached.

Supplemental information will be submitted to your office as soon as the area is mapped by the Survey. Memoranda from Arthur P. Butler, Jr., A. R. Kinkel and C. H. Johnson, transmitted to this office by your memorandum of April 1, 1954, will be covered in the supplement.

Stephen R. Wilson

Stephen R. Wilson

Enclosures

UNITED STATES
ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION
DIVISION OF RAW MATERIALS
SALT LAKE EXPLORATION BRANCH

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May 5, 1954

Mr. Stephen R. Wilson, Chief
Minerals Development Branch
Mining Division, Region IV
U. S. Bureau of Mines
1600 East First South Street
Salt Lake City 1, Utah

Dear Mr. Wilson:

Attached is your copy of DMEA Docket No. 3075 which you delivered to me by hand for the purpose of our review and comments. Also attached is a memorandum report of recommendations by our Richfield Sub-Office. I have reviewed these suggestions and concur with them. It is suggested that careful consideration be given to this alternate proposal for exploration of the Copper Mountain property.

The Richfield office is preparing a topographic map of the vicinity of the mine as soon as possible. This will be essential to more accurate planning for a proposed portal location. It may be possible to reduce the amount of crosscutting by shifting the portal location and thereby increase the amount of effective exploration by drifting.

We will be glad to discuss this alternate proposal at any time and will give any assistance possible in the field. Rough calculations indicate that the cost of the two exploration programs would be essentially the same.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Ernest E. Thurlow, Chief
Salt Lake Exploration Branch
Division of Raw Materials

Enclosures:
1. DMEA Docket No. 3075 (1)
2. Cy memo Thurlow/Steinhauser, 4-21-54 w/maps att.

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Ernest E. Thurlow, Chief, Salt Lake Exploration Branch, DRM, Salt Lake City, Utah

April 21, 1954

Stephen R. Steinhauser, Chief, Richfield Sub-office, SLEB, DRM, Richfield, Utah

"REPORT OF EXAMINATION, J. AND M. LEASING COMPANY (COPPER MOUNTAIN MINE) MOHAVE COUNTY, ARIZONA, DOCKET NO. DMEA-3075, "REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS BY EARL N. KING

SYMBOL: RSO: ENK:mcg

Two brunton and tape traverses have been made on the Cox and Ross (Copper Mountain Mine) claims--one from the shaft to the bottom of the wash, and the other from the shaft to the rim of the wash. (See Attached map). From these traverses and other available data, a rough map has been drafted in an attempt to give information pertinent to the mining area. As a result of data compiled to date, it appears that crosscutting and drifting would be a more beneficial exploration program for this property than the program proposed by the DMEA examining team.

Using 47 and one-half degrees as the average dip of the uranium and copper ore, a 600-foot crosscut from the wash should cut the downward projection of the mineralization approximately 150 feet below the present 210-foot level. Drifting could then be done along the mineralization. Such a crosscut would give an additional 50 feet of depth (DMEA proposed total depth of shaft is 310 feet) and also explore 600 feet of virgin ground for about the same amount as is proposed by the examining team for shaft rehabilitation and sinking 100 feet on the present shaft. The suggested crosscut would be 20 feet above the bottom of the wash, leaving ample room for a dump and ore bin.

Since the present shaft is not within the mineralized zone, sinking an additional 100 feet would disclose nothing in the way of pertinent geology, whereas the crosscut would explore an area that does have surface mineralization showing. Another matter for consideration is the limited usefulness of the present shaft as stated by Mr. Young in his Engineering Report, page 11. The distance from the bottom of the shaft to the ore shoot increases with increased depth, thus limiting it economically as a working shaft.

Considering all aspects, the most logical and economical way to explore this property is by crosscutting and drifting. It is, therefore, recommended that a crosscut approximately 600 feet be

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driven to the ore shoot and then 200 feet of drift should be driven along the mineralization. The allocation of the 200 feet of drifting should be flexible in order to satisfactorily explore the ore shoot as work progress.

An "Estimate of Costs" list, using per unit costs as determined by the DMEA examining team wherever possible, is submitted for 800 feet of crosscutting and drifting.

Enclosures:
1. maps (4)
2. Itemized statements (2)

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PICKETT & PICKETT
Attorneys at Law
Office, Pickett Building
St. George, Utah

May 25, 1954

Mr. Stephen R. Wilson
Minerals Development Branch
Bureau of Mines
1600 East First South Street
Salt Lake City 1, Utah

In re: Wulfenstein DMEA Application
No. 3075 Cox - Ross Claims
Mohave County, Arizona

Dear Mr. Wilson:

Your letter of May 18, 1954, to Mr. James Wulfenstein was handed to me for reply.

After discussing the possibilities of the alternate exploratory proposal, the Wulfensteins have authorized me to tell you that they consider that the cross cut from a point near the bottom of the gulch east of the main shaft would meet with their approval as they have been of this opinion for some time.

Thanking you very much, I am

Yours truly,

PICKETT & PICKETT

/s/ Charles M. Pickett

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224 New Customhouse
Denver 2, Colorado

March 29, 1954

Memorandum

To: S. R. Wilson

From: Executive Officer, DMEA Field Team, Region IV

Subject: Docket No. DMEA 3075 (Uranium), J. & M. Leasing Company, Cox and Ross Mining claims, Mohave County, Arizona

Enclosed is a copy of a letter from the Chairman of the Operating Committee on the subject docket.

Will you please contact Mr. Thurlow and discuss the subject application with him, and forward this office his comments and recommendations.

John F. Shaw
For W. H. King

Enclosure

HMC:es

cc: Docket
Chron.
Koschmann (2)

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
DEFENSE MINERALS EXPLORATION ADMINISTRATION
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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Denver, Colorado

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Mr. W. H. King
Executive Officer
DMEA Field Team, Region IV
224 New Customhouse Building
Denver 2, Colorado

Re: Docket No. DMEA-3075 (Uranium)
J. & M. Leasing Company
Cox and Ross Mining claims
Mohave County, Arizona

Dear Mr. King:

Reference is made to our letter dated August 10, 1953, which requested a field examination of the subject project. Copies of memoranda were enclosed from Mr. H. D. Keiser and Mr. Arthur P. Butler, Jr., outlining questions to be covered by the examining engineers' reports.

Mr. Keiser requested that the application be discussed with Mr. Ernest E. Thurlow, Atomic Energy Commission, Salt Lake City, Utah.

As the Field Team report did not include the comments and recommendations of Mr. Thurlow kindly furnish a supplement that covers these points.

Sincerely yours,

George C. Selfridge
Chairman, Operating Committee

APPROVED:

J. H. Hedges
Member, Bureau of Mines

Philip W. Guild
Member, Geological Survey

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF MINES
1600 EAST FIRST SOUTH STREET
SALT LAKE CITY 1, UTAH

May 18, 1954

Mining Division
Denver Region
MAY 2 1954
BUREAU OF MINES
Denver, Colorado

Mr. James Wulfenstein
172 East 3rd South
St. George, Utah

Dear Mr. Wulfenstein:

Reference is made to your application for Government assistance for exploration under docket No. DMEA-3075, Cox and Ross claims, Mohave County, Arizona.

Study of available geologic data indicates that alternate exploratory proposals, in addition to proposals in your application, should be considered in appraising your loan request. One such proposal involves driving a crosscut in a southwesterly direction from a point near the bottom of the gulch east of the main shaft, to intersect the zone of mineralization approximately 150 feet below the present 210-foot level, with drifting along the mineralized zone. It is believed a drive of approximately 600 feet will be required to reach a projection of the mineralized zone at this elevation.

It will be appreciated if you will comment on the above alternate proposal and inform this office if this suggested method of exploration will have your approval.

Very truly yours,

Stephen R. Wilson

Stephen R. Wilson, Chief
Minerals Development Branch
Mining Division, Region IV

cc: W. H. King (2)

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W S MARTIN ACTING CHAIRMAN, OPERATING COMMITTEE

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HAVE ONE FOR U YOURSRECED OK

224 New Customhouse
Denver 2, Colorado

April 22, 1954

Memorandum

To: C. O. Mittendorf, Administrator, DMEA

From: Executive Officer, DMEA Field Team, Region IV

Subject: Docket No. DMEA 3075, J. & M. Leasing Company

Enclosed is a copy of a letter dated April 20, 1954 from George F. Baggley, Superintendent, National Park Service, to J. H. East, Jr., regarding the validity of the Cox Ross and other mining claims located in Mohave County, Arizona.

The report of examination was forwarded to the Washington office on February 12, 1954.

As a matter of policy is involved in sending copies of examination reports to other agencies, we are forwarding this letter to you for your appropriate action.

W. H. King

Enclosure

JFS:es

cc: Docket
Chron.
Shaw

Jim Fong
3075

April 22, 1954

Mr. George F. Baggley, Superintendent
National Park Service
Lake Mead National Recreation Area
Boulder City, Nevada

Dear Mr. Baggley:

Reference is made to your letter dated April 20, 1954 regarding the Cox Ross and other mining claims located in Mohave County, Arizona inside the Lake Mead National Recreation area.

Your letter has been forwarded to the Washington Office of the DMEA for their action.

Very truly yours,

J. H. East, Jr.
Regional Director
Region IV

JFS:es

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Subject
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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
Lake Mead National Recreation Area
Boulder City, Nevada

REGIONAL DIRECTOR'S OFFICE
REGION IV
APR 21 1954
BUREAU OF MINES
DENVER, COLORADO

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Please see me re this
GFB

April 20, 1954

Air Mail

Mr. J. B. East, Jr.,
Regional Director, Region Four
Bureau of Mines
224 New Custom House
Denver 2, Colorado

Dear Mr. East:

We appreciated your letter of January 27, concerning the uranium interests of Wulfenstein Brothers and the so-called Cox Ross and other mining claims located in Mohave County, Arizona, and inside the Lake Mead National Recreation Area.

Representatives of this Service have recently returned from a field examination of the area in which Wulfenstein Brothers are interested. A report on their findings is in process of preparation. It is to be forwarded in the next few days, and will undoubtedly be used, in part at least, as a basis for the Service position so far as mining in these properties is concerned.

It would be very helpful if we might have available copies of the engineering and geological reports which the Bureau of Mines has prepared on the property. I understand that perhaps these are of a confidential nature and they will be treated so if made available to the National Park Service. If, for any reason these reports cannot be made available to this office, it is requested that at least one copy be furnished to Mr. Conrad L. Wirth, Director of the National Park Service for his examination.

Sincerely yours

George F. Baggley
Superintendent

224 New Customhouse
Denver 2, Colorado

April 5, 1954

Memorandum

To: S. R. Wilson

Ralph J. Roberts

From: Executive Officer, DMEA Field Team, Region IV

Subject: Docket No. DMEA 3075 (Copper-Uranium), J & M Leasing Company, Cox & Ross Claims, Mohave County, Arizona

This has further reference to our memorandum dated April 1 on the subject docket.

Attached is a copy of the production record on the Cox and Ross Claims. This should be included in your supplemental report in reply to the memorandum of Mr. C. H. Johnson dated March 23, 1954.

R.J.B.

W. H. King

W. H. King

Enclosures

HMC:es

cc: Docket
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Form 6-95

BUREAU OF MINES
REFERENCE SLIP

DATE April 1,1954

REFERRED TO:

1. H. M. Connors
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REMARKS: Furnished figures on attached Mine Record Card in response to your telephone request of yesterday

Check (X) before the items needing attention.

Copies to Wilson & Roberts } 4-5-54

Initials of sender.

6-844
(August 1949)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF MINES

PERMANENT INDIVIDUAL MINE RECORD

(METAL OUTPUT—OVER)

Mining Division
Date Rec'd
APR 2 1954
BUREAU OF MINES
Denver, Colorado

COPPER MOUNTAIN OR COX-ROSS
(Name of group—Alphabetical listing)

CLAIMS: Copper Mountain.

ARIZONA MOHAVE BENTLEY
(State) (County) (District)

SEC. TWP. RANGE: 100 Mi. S.E. of St. George.

CHARACTER OF DEPOSIT:

16—12560-1

YEAR	OWNER (Name and address)	OPERATOR (Name and address)	DAYS OPERATED	DEVELOPMENT AND OTHER DATA
1934	B. T. McMASTERS, ST. PETERSBURG, FLA.	F. L. COX, ST. GEORGE, UTAH		
1937	FRANK COX, ST. GEORGE, UTAH.			
1949		LELAND O. WHITMORE, OVERTON, NEV.		
1950	WARREN COX.	B. L. WHITNEY, LESSEE, BOX 114, ST. GEORGE, UTAH		
1951		Wayne Snow & J. E. Wulfenstein, " "	"	
1952	L. V. COX.	J. & M. LEASING CO. M. WULFENSTEIN.		
1953	V. LORANE COX	DO. DO.		

PRODUCTION

16—12560-1 U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE

Year	Objection to Publication	Crude Ore Produced									Concentrates Produced							Recovered in Bullion	
		Dry Tons		Class	Treatment	Gross Metal Content					Dry Tons	Class	Gross Metal Content						
		Ore	Old Tailings, etc.			Gold (Ounces)	Silver (Ounces)	Copper (Pounds)	Lead (Pounds)	Zinc (Pounds)			Gold (Ounces)	Silver (Ounces)	Copper (Pounds)	Lead (Pounds)	Zinc (Pounds)	Gold (Ounces)	Silver (Ounces)
1934		16		Cu.	Sm.	.40	81	5,779											
1937		6		"	"	—	20	1,750											
1949		26		D. G.	Sm.	18	79	227	156	3,733									
		63		Cu	"	28	1,041	10,953	5,457	11,500									
		106		Zn	"	117	608	1,448	2,774	22,861									
1950		151		Cu	Sm.	2	476	94,000	—	—									
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1952		21		Cu	Sm.	—	31	4,774	—	—									
1953		133		Cu.	Sm.	—	28	3,814	—	—									

224 New Customhouse
Denver 2, Colorado

April 1, 1954.

Memorandum

To: S. R. Wilson
Ralph J. Roberts

From: DMEA Field Team, Region IV

Subject: Docket No. DMEA-3075 (Copper-Uranium), J. & M. Leasing Company, Cox and Ross claims, Mohave County, Arizona.

In addition to the request of the Chairman of the Operating Committee, dated March 24, 1954 for a supplement to include the comments and recommendations of Mr. Thurlow, which was forwarded to Mr. S. R. Wilson March 29, 1954, the Operating Committee also desires that the following memoranda be covered by your supplementary report:

1. Mr. Arthur P. Butler, Jr., March 5, 1954
2. Mr. A. R. Kinkel, Jr., March 15, 1954
3. Mr. C. H. Johnson, March 23, 1954

Mr. C. H. Johnson's suggestion that the records in the Mineral Industry Division at Denver be checked for past production will be handled by this office and sent to the Washington Office in the letter of transmittal of your supplemental report.

John F. Shaw
John F. Shaw
For W. H. King

A. H. Koschmann
A. H. Koschmann

Enclosures

HMC:cwm
cc: Docket
Administrator, DMEA w/Encl.
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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
DEFENSE MINERALS EXPLORATION ADMINISTRATION
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

Mining Division
Date Re
MAR 31 1954
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Denver, Colo.

MAR 29 1954

Mr. W. H. King
Executive Officer
DMEA Field Team, Region IV
224 New Customhouse Building
Denver 2, Colorado

Re: Docket No. DMEA-3075
(Uranium and Copper)
J. & M. Leasing Company
Cox and Ross claims
Mohave County, Arizona

Dear Mr. King:

In addition to the supplementary information requested on the subject project in our letter of March 24, we are enclosing the following memoranda to be covered by your supplementary report:

1. Mr. Arthur P. Butler, Jr., March 5, 1954
2. Mr. A. R. Kinkel, Jr., March 15, 1954
3. Mr. C. H. Johnson, March 23, 1954

Sincerely yours,

George C. Selfridge
Chairman, Operating Committee

Enclosures 3

APPROVED:

J. N. Wedgas
Member, Bureau of Mines

D. M. Larrabee
Member, Geological Survey

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MAR 10 1954

E. Wm. Ellis, DMEA Member, Uranium Commodity Committee

March 5, 1954

Arthur P. Butler, Jr., USGS Member, Uranium Commodity Committee

Report of examination - DMEA Docket 3075 (Copper - Uranium), J. & M. Leasing Company, Cox and Ross claims, Mohave County, Arizona

The Field Team engineering and geologic report concerning exploration on the property identified above has been reviewed. Although recommendations are made by the Field Team that the applicant be granted a loan of $24,253 to explore for copper and uranium by rehabilitating and sinking the present shaft 100 feet and 250 feet of drifting, factual data contained in the report are insufficient to substantiate the recommendations. Data are lacking in regard to 1) the size and significance of visible uranium-bearing zones, 2) the significance of the few "ore grade" uranium assays in contrast to the low grade assays on channel samples, 3) the inferred size and significance of copper- and uranium-bearing zones beneath the present workings, and 4) geologic evidence to indicate that mineralized zones can be expected beneath the present workings.

The lack of factual data is no basis for either concurring with, or denying, the recommendations. On the evidence presented in the report and the interpretation of that evidence the proposed kind and amount of exploration does not seem to be warranted for uranium alone. The property may, however, merit exploration solely for copper and I, therefore, recommend that the application and Field Team report be reviewed by the Survey member of the Copper Commodity Committee.

Copies to: E. Wm. Ellis (2)

IN REPLY REFER TO:

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

March 15, 1954

Re: DMEA-3075
J. & M. Leasing Company
Mohave County, Arizona
Copper-uranium
$84,508.00

Memorandum

To: E. Wm. Ellis

From: A. R.Kinkel, Jr.

Subject: Review of field team's recommendations

I have reviewed the field team's recommendations on Docket DMEA-3075, as they concern copper. The proposed project does not appear to be warranted on the basis of copper alone. As Mr. Butler does not approve the project for uranium alone, I doubt that it is advisable to do additional work on this small mine in such an isolated locality. Possibly this property could be reconsidered if and when A. E. C. puts in an access road.

A. R. Kinkel, Jr.

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF MINES
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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March 23, 1954

Memorandum

To: E. W. Ellis, DMEA

From: C. H. Johnson, Bureau of Mines

Subject: DMEA-3075 (Copper-Uranium), J and M Leasing Company, Copper Mountain Mine, Mohave County, Arizona

I have reviewed the report by Tillman and Young transmitted January 12, 1954 to the operating committee by the Field Team of Region IV. The Field Team concurred in the examining engineer's and geologist's recommendation for a modified shaft sinking and drifting exploration project.

I understand you are requesting some advice from the AEC with reference to the possibilities for uranium. I understand also that there are some questions to be cleared up with reference to ownership or other matters of a legal nature. If time permits, therefore, I would suggest that the Field Team be asked whether or not in its opinion any sampling of the existing workings would assist in appraising the possibilities for finding additional reserves of copper and whether or not such sampling is feasible. It would be well, also, for the Bureau of Mines records in the Mineral Industry Division at Denver to be checked for data on production in years past.

Whether or not further information can be obtained, it seems to me some exploration is justified on the basis of the information already available. Even a small tonnage of such rich ore is worth knowing about, and is likely to be profitable almost regardless of the remote location.

C. H. Johnson

C. H. Johnson

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Copy to - Mr. Newcomb, GSA
Minerals Division
C. H. Johnson
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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
DEFENSE MINERALS EXPLORATION ADMINISTRATION
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

MAR 1 0 1954

Mr. James Weifenbach
1/2 East Tabernacle Street
St. George, Utah

Re: Serial No. [illegible] (Copper Mountain)
J. and P. Leasing Company
Copper Mountain Mine
Mohave County, Arizona

Dear Mr. Weifenbach:

This responds to your telegram dated March 5 inquiring as to the status of the subject application.

Your telegram states that, in answer to your inquiries concerning the status of the application, the Denver regional office and this office each informed you that it was being handled by the other office. Our review of the matter discloses that you were given accurate information in each instance.

Your application was received in this office on June 11, 1953. It was held in this office until August 10, 1953, while certain questions concerning the interests of the J. and P. Leasing Company in the property which is the subject of the proposed exploration project were being clarified through correspondence with you and your attorney, Mr. Ellis J. Pickett. On that date, the file was transmitted to the regional office for further processing. Also, on that date, we wrote to you requesting that you furnish us with certain additional information and send a copy of it to the Executive Officer, Region IV. In a letter dated August 14, 1953, the Executive Officer informed you that he would continue processing your application when he received the information requested in our letter to you dated August 10, 1953. Subsequently, you sent a claim map and sample data to the Executive Officer, and in a letter dated September 2, 1953, he informed you that all of the exploration work which you proposed was so near the east side line of the property which you held at that time, that you were required to submit evidence of your rights to the lands beyond the east side line before processing of your application could be continued.

With a memorandum dated February 12, 1954, the Field Team, Region IV, returned the application to us for our review of copies of correspondence concerning the validity of your four Copper Mountain mining claims, between your counsel, Mr. Fickett, and the Superintendent of the Lake Mead National Recreation Area, Mr. George F. Baggley. It appears from this correspondence that you located the Copper Mountain claims on lands which were under reclamation withdrawal, and that to validate these claims you are required to follow the procedure set forth in Vol. 43, Code of Federal Regulations, sec. 185.36.

In our copy of the letter dated January 20, 1954, from the Superintendent of the Lake Mead National Recreation Area to your counsel, Mr. Fickett, it is stated that you and your brother had visited him sometime during the week of January 11, 1954, and had been advised concerning the first steps to be taken to validate your Copper Mountain mining claims. Your counsel was also informed, by the Superintendent, that he would be advised further as to how to proceed in the matter.

It is regretted that the question of the validity of the Copper Mountain claims has delayed our further consideration of the subject application. However, it is incumbent upon the applicant to resolve questions concerning the sufficiency of his interest in land for the purposes of an exploration project contract.

As soon as the validity of your Copper Mountain claims is established, we shall continue processing the application.

Sincerely yours,

C. O. Mittendorf

Administrator

HGRubin:cp 3-10-54

Copy to: Docket
Administrator
Admr. Reading File
Oper. Committee
Mr. C. H. Johnson, M/M
Mr. A. R. Kimbel, Jr., USGS
Field Team, Reg. IV (2)
Mr. Kilis
Mr. Hoffland
Mr. Rubin
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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
DEFENSE MINERALS EXPLORATION ADMINISTRATION
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

Mining Division
Date Rec'd
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BUREAU OF MINES
Denver, Colorado

FEB 25 1954

Mr. W. H. King, Executive Officer
DMEA Field Team, Region IV
224 New Customhouse Building
Denver 2, Colorado

DMEA-3075

Dear Mr. King:

This acknowledges receipt of your memorandum, with attachments, of February 12, 1954, relating to DMEA-3075, J. & M. Leasing Company, Mohave County, Arizona. The attachments included the original and three copies of the field team report pertaining to the application.

In the future will you please send one copy of all such reports dealing with applications not to be processed by your office to Mr. Butler for review, similarly as you are now sending a copy of applications received in your office in accordance with the instructions given in our letters of October 6 and 22, 1953.

Sincerely yours,

George C. Selfridge
Chairman, Operating Committee

Approved:

Member, Bureau of Mines

Member, Geological Survey

224 New Customhouse
Denver 2, Colorado

February 15, 1954.

Mr. James Wulfenstein
172 East 3rd South
St. George, Utah

Re: Docket No. DMEA-3075

Dear Mr. Wulfenstein:

The report of examination on the Cox and Ross claims was forwarded to the Washington Office this date for their consideration and appropriate action.

Very truly yours,

W H King

W. H. King
Executive Officer
DMEA Field Team, Region IV

HMC:cwm

cc: Docket
Administrator, DMEA
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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF MINES
1600 EAST FIRST SOUTH STREET
SALT LAKE CITY 1, UTAH

Mining Division
Date Rec'd.
FEB 15 1954
BUREAU OF MINES
Denver, Colorado

February 11, 1954

Memorandum

To: W. H. King, Executive Officer, DMEA Field Team, Region IV

From: Chief, Minerals Development Branch, Mining Division, Region IV

Subject: Docket No. DMEA-3075 (Copper-Uranium), J. and M. Leasing Co., Cox and Ross claims, Mohave County, Arizona

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The examiners believe the costs, as estimated by the applicants, are too high, particularly the shaft sinking and drifting. The bunk house, hoist house and ore bin are not necessary for conduct of the proposed work and have been omitted in proposals included in the engineering and geologic reports. The recommended 100 feet of shaft sinking is believed sufficient to explore the property at present. The deposit may continue to greater depth in the sandstone, and if demonstrated to a depth 100 feet below the present 210-foot level, it is probable that an adit 800 to 1,000 feet in length will be feasible to gain further depth and easier access to the ore body for mining.

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It is believed construction of a new road into the area is the key to further development of this property and others in the district. The proposed new road is under consideration by the Atomic Energy Commission.

Stephen R. Wilson

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF MINES
1600 EAST FIRST SOUTH STREET
SALT LAKE CITY 1, UTAH

February 11, 1954

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
DEFENSE MINERALS EXPLORATION ADMINISTRATION
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

Region IV

Mining Division
Date Rec'd.
FEB 15 1954
BUREAU OF MINES
Denver Colorado

FEB 10 1954

DEFENSE MINERALS EXPLORATION ADMINISTRATION

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DMEA - Department of the Interior

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James Gulfenstein
178 E. 3rd South
St. George, Utah

RE: [illegible] MINERAL DMEA-3075 J. & M. MASSEY COMPANY, [illegible]
of DMEA
COVER/[illegible] WILL CONTACT YOU AS AN [illegible] DEPARTMENT FOR
APPLICATION.

C. O. Mittendorf

C. O. MITTENDORF, ADMINISTRATOR

cc to: Adm. Reading file
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Messrs. HDKeiser, Rm. 3641
APButler, Jr. Rm. 3212, GSA
Code 700
Mr. Knouse
DMEA Field Team, Region IV

FEB 10 1954

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James Wolfenstein
172 N. 3rd South
St. George, Utah

REGARDING FEBRUARY MINER DMEA-3075 J. & M. LEASING COMPANY, W. E. KING
of DMEA
DENVER OFFICE WILL CONTACT YOU AT AN EARLY DATE REGARDING YOUR

APPLICATION.

C. O. Mittendorf

C. O. MITTENDORF, ADMINISTRATOR

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Mr. Knowse
DMEA Field Team, Region IV

Mining Division
Region IV

February 12, 1954.

Memorandum

To: Field Team, Region IV

From: Chief, Mining Division, Region IV

Subject: Report of Examination - DMEA Docket 3075 (Copper-Uranium), J. & M. Leasing Company, Mohave County, Arizona.

Enclosed are eleven copies of the engineering report of examination on the subject docket.

The applicants requested $84,506.00 for sinking, drifting and crosscutting. The examining engineer believes the applicants' exploratory proposals are too ambitious and he discussed with the applicants, who accompanied the field examiners, a modified exploration program. It is believed that this modified program is acceptable to the applicants, although clear affirmation was not given.

The exploration recommended by the examining engineer, and in which we concur, consists of construction of a head frame, 210 feet of shaft rehabilitation, 100 feet of shaft sinking, and 250 feet of drifting and crosscutting on the 310-foot level. The total cost of this work is estimated to be $24,253.00.

This property, in the past, has produced a good grade of copper ore and the uranium mineralization on the 210-foot level is in line with the zone of high copper mineralization. Therefore, Government participation in the cost of the project should be on a 70% basis.

W H King
W. H. King

Enclosures

HMC:cwm

cc: Subject
AHKoschmann (2)
Chron.

224 New Customhouse
Denver 2, Colorado

February 12, 1954.

Memorandum

To: Secretary to the Operating Committee, Defense Minerals Exploration Administration

From: Field Team, Region IV

Subject: Report of Examination - DMEA Docket 3075 (Copper-Uranium), J. & M. Leasing Company, Mohave County, Arizona.

Enclosed are the original and three copies of the report pertaining to the above application.

We recommend a short form contract to include proposals outlined in the engineering and geologic reports provided that the legal matters involved are found to be satisfactory.

The following material is enclosed:

1. One copy of Form MF-203 signed by Anna C. Cox, Lorain Cox, Anna F. Cox, Kenneth Cox, and Etta Cox.

2. Letter dated August 24, 1953 from Pickett & Pickett and the enclosures to that letter consisting of one map and five pages of sample data.

3. Letter dated September 11, 1953 from Pickett & Pickett and the enclosures to that letter which are one rough sketch of the six mining claims and Location Notices on the Copper Mountain #1, Copper Mountain #2, Copper Mountain #5, and Copper Mountain #6 mining claims.

4. Copy of a letter dated January 20, 1954 from George F. Baggley of the National Park Service to John H. East, Jr.

5. Copy of a letter dated January 20, 1954 from George Baggley to Ellis J. Pickett.

6. Copy of our reply to George F. Baggley dated January 27, 1954.

W. H. King
W. H. King

A. H. Koschmann
A. H. Koschmann

Enclosures

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SRWilson w/copy of Rpt.; Ralph Roberts w/copy of Rpt.; EEThurlow w/copy of Rpt.;
DMEA w/copy of Rpt.; Mining Division w/copy of Rpt.; AHKoschmann w/copy of Rpt.;
Chron. AHKoschmann (2)

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PLEASE REFER TO REPORT ON DOCKET DMEA-3075, /URANIUM/ J. AND M. LEASING COMPANY, COX AND ROSS MINING CLAIMS, MOHAVE, ARIZONA. DID THE APPLICANTS OR THEIR REPRESENTATIVE ACCOMPANY THE ENGINEERS ON THE EXAMINATION/Q/ THE APPLICATXXX APPLICANTS ESTIMATED A COST OF $84,508 AND THEEXXX THE EXAMINERS RECOMMENDED A PROJECT ESTIMATED TO COST $24,253. DID THE APPLICANTS AGREE TO THE MODIFIED PROGRAM/Q/ PLEASE ADVISE BY TELETYPE AND CONFIRM BY MEMO.

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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

Room 208 - 222 So. West Temple
Salt Lake City 1, Utah
February 1, 1954

Memorandum

To: A. H. Koschmann, Field Team, Region IV

From: C. G. Tillman for R. J. Roberts

Subject: DMEA Docket 3075 (Uranium), J. and M. Leasing Company, Mohave County, Arizona.

Enclosed is the brochure on the above named docket. A geologic report on the property was forwarded to your office January 29, 1954.

C. G. Tillman

C. G. Tillman

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Enclosure

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REFERENCE TELETXXX TELEPHONE CONVERSATION WITH KNOUS TODAY RE DMEA 3075, J. AND M. LEASING COMPANY. REPORT OF EXAMINATION AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF FIELD TEAM WILL BE FORWARDED YOUR OFFICE FOR PREPARATION OF CONTRACT BECAUSE OF LEGAL MATTERS INVOLVED.

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224 New Customhouse
Denver 2, Colorado

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September 15, 1953

Memorandum

To: R. P. Fischer (with brochure)

W. R. Storms

From: Field Team, Region IV

Subject: Docket DMEA 3075 (Uranium), J & M Leasing Co., Cox & Ross Mining Claims, Mohave County, Arizona

Enclosed herewith is the subject application for Government assistance in exploration work estimated to cost $84,508.00.

The brochure consists of the following:

1. Form MF-103
2. Letter from the Operating Committee
3. Form MF-203
4. Photostat of Sub-lease
5. Photostat of Mining Property Lease-unsigned
6. Five sheets of sample data
7. Sketch showing four mining claims
8. Four copies of Notice of Location
9. Two maps prepared by AEC

A suitable report is required.

W. H. King
W. H. King

A. H. Koschmann
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MF-103
(Revised April 1952)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
DEFENSE MINERALS EXPLORATION ADMINISTRATION

Form Approved.
Budget Bureau No. 42-R1035.2.

APPLICATION FOR AID IN AN EXPLORATION PROJECT, PURSUANT TO DMEA ORDER 1, UNDER THE DEFENSE PRODUCTION ACT OF 1950, AS AMENDED

Not to be filled in by applicant

Docket No. DMEA-3075
Metal or Mineral
Date Received
Estimated Cost
Participation (Government %)

INSTRUCTIONS

1. *Name of applicant.*—(*a*) State here your full legal name, in the form in which you will wish to contract, and your mailing address:

J. & M. Leasing Co.
Mc Murrin Wulfenstein & James E. Wulfenstein Partnership
446 West 400 North 172 East 300 South St. George, Utah

(*b*) If other than an individual, add to your name above whether a corporation, partnership, etc., and the name of the State in which incorporated or otherwise organized.

(*c*) If a corporation, add to above statement, titles, names and addresses of officers.

(*d*) If a partnership, add to the above statement the names and addresses of all partners.

2. *General.*—Read DMEA Order 1, "Government Aid in Defense Exploration Projects," before completing this application. Submit this application and all accompanying papers in quadruplicate (four copies), with your name and address on each sheet of the application and on all accompanying papers. Where sufficient space is not provided on the form for all required information, state it on an accompanying paper, with a reference in each case to the instruction to which it refers by number. Comply with all applicable instructions; or, if not applicable, so state. File the application with Defense Minerals Exploration Administration, Department of the Interior, Washington 25, D. C., or with the nearest field executive officer thereof.

3. *Applicant's property rights.*—(*a*) State the legal description of the land upon which you wish to explore, including all land which you possess or control that may be benefited by the exploration, and excluding any land or interest in land which is not to be included in the exploration project contract Copper Mountain Mining District, Mohave County, State of Arizona known as the Cox & Ross Mine Claims recorded in Book 3 U of Mines at Page 285 Cox & Ross Claim No. 1 recorde in Book 3U of Mines at Page 286

(*b*) State any mine name by which the property is known. Cox & Ross Mine Formerly Copper Mountain

(*c*) State your interest in the land, whether owner, lessee, purchaser under contract, or otherwise Lessee

(*d*) If you are not the owner, submit with this application a copy of the lease, contract, or other document under which you control the property.

(*e*) If you own the land, describe any liens or encumbrances on it

(*f*) If the land consists of unpatented claims, add to the description above, the book and page numbers for each recorded location notice.

4. *Physical description.*—(*a*) Describe in detail any mining or exploration operations which have been or now are being conducted upon the land, including existing mine workings and production facilities. State your interest, if any, in such operations. Also describe accessibility of mine workings for examination purposes.

(*b*) State past and current production, and ore reserves, if any, giving quantities and grades.

(*c*) Describe the geologic features of the property, including mineralization, type of deposit (vein, bedded, etc.), and your reasons for wishing to explore. Illustrate with maps or sketches. Send with your application (but not necessarily as a part of it) any geologic or engineering report, assay maps, or other technologic information you may have, indicating on each whether you require its return to you.

(*d*) State the facts with respect to the accessibility of the project: Access roads, distances to shipping, supply and residence points. Refer to attached Sheet

(*e*) State the availability of manpower, materials, supplies, equipment, water, and power.

5. *The exploration project.*—(*a*) State the mineral or minerals for which you wish to explore Uranium

(*b*) Describe fully the proposed work, including a map or sketch of the property showing a plan (and cross sections if needed) of any present mine workings, and the location of the proposed exploration work as related to such features as contacts, veins, ore-bearing beds, etc. Refer to A. E. C. Map

(*c*) The work will start within 30 days and be completed within 24 months from the date of an exploration project contract.

(*d*) State the operating experience and background of the applicant with relation to the ability to carry out such exploration project, and also that of the person or persons who will supervise the operations. 13 Years Foreman & Other Mine Work.

6. *Estimate of costs.*—Furnish a detailed estimate of the costs of the proposed work (you will have to use a separate sheet), under the following headings. Add the totals under all headings to give the estimated total cost of the project:

(*a*) *Independent contracts.*—(Note.—If the applicant does not intend to let any of the work to contractors, write "none" after this item. To the extent that the work is to be contracted, do not repeat the cost of the contract-work in subsequent items.) State the cost of any proposed independent contracts for the performance of all or any part of the work, expressed in terms of units of work (such as per foot of drilling, per foot of drifting, per hour of bulldozer operations, per cubic yard of material moved, etc.). None

(*b*) *Labor, supervision, consultants.*—Include an itemized schedule of numbers, classes and rates of wages, salaries or fees for necessary labor, supervision and engineering and geological consultants.

(*c*) *Operating materials and supplies.*—Furnish an itemized list, including items of equipment costing less than $50 each, and power, water and fuel.

(*d*) *Operating equipment.*—Furnish an itemized list of any operating equipment to be rented, purchased, or which is owned and will be furnished by the Operator, with the estimated rental, purchase price, or suggested use-allowance based on present value, as the case may be.

(*e*) *Rehabilitation and repairs.*—Furnish a detailed list showing the cost of any necessary initial rehabilitation or repairs of existing buildings, installations, fixtures, and movable operating equipment, now owned by the Operator and which will be devoted to the exploration project.

(*f*) *New buildings, improvements, installations.*—Furnish a detailed list showing the cost of any necessary buildings, fixed improvements, or installations to be purchased, installed or constructed for the benefit of the exploration project.

(*g*) *Miscellaneous.*—Furnish a detailed list showing the cost of repairs to and maintenance of operating equipment (not including initial rehabilitation or repairs of the Operator's equipment), analytical work, accounting, workmen's compensation and employers' liability insurance, and payroll taxes.

(*h*) *Contingencies.*—Give an estimate of any necessary allowances for contingencies not included in the costs stated above.

NOTE.—No items of general overhead, corporate management, interest, taxes (other than payroll and sales taxes), or any other indirect costs, or work performed or costs incurred before the date of the contract, should be included in the estimate of costs.

7. (*a*) Are you prepared to furnish your share of the cost of the proposed project in accordance with the regulations on Government participation (Sec. 7, DMEA No. 1)?

(*b*) How do you propose to furnish your share of the costs?

☐ Money ☒ Use of equipment owned by you ☐ Other

Explain in detail on acompanying paper.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, whether as an individual, corporate officer, partner, or otherwise, both in his own behalf and acting for the applicant, certifies that the information set forth in this form and accompanying papers is correct and complete, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Dated May 29, 1953

J & M Leasing Co.
(Applicant)

By James Muelfenstein
James Muelfenstein

Title 18, U. S. Code (Crimes), Section 1001, makes it a criminal offense to make a willfully false statement or representation to any department or agency of the United States as to any matter within its jurisdiction.

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NOTATIONS ON CONTRACT FORM MF-103

No. 4D 92 miles from St. George Dirt roads, 92 miles to residence & Supply center

No. 6 Bunk & Boarding House 16 ft Wide by 42 ft long at $6.00 per square ft. total $4,508.00 Head Frame Hoist House & Bins $6,000.00

Shaft Rehabilitation 210 ft $10,000.00
Shaft Sinking 200 Ft @$140.00 per Ft. total $28,000.00
Drifting 500 ft @$40.00 per ft.
Cross Cut 400 ft @40.00 per ft. 900 ft @40.00 36,000.00

Bunks & Boarding House	$4,508.00
Headframe Hoist House & Bins	6,000.00
Shaft rehabilitation	10,000.00
Shaft Sinking	28,000.00
Drifting & Crosscutting	36,000.00
	$84,508.00

This Figure includes the overall cost.

No. 7 Trucks 1941 Ford 1½ Tons
1948 International 2½ tons
1949 Studebaker ½ Ton
Gardner & Denver Compressor 132Cu. In.
Hoist, 300 Ft. Hose 4 Jackhammers 1 Stoper 1 Cross Bar 1 Calumnar Bar
1 HD 7W Allis Chalmers Cat. Steel & Bits

Refering to Lease the 3/4 interest will guarentee the full royalty to the Government. We have assurance that the other 1/4 interest will not stand in the way of a Govenment Loan.

Refering to No. 4 b Get Information from American Smelting & Refining Co. Salt, Lake City, Utah

April 28, 1953

The Following radiometric assays were obtained on samples from the Copper Mountain Mine, Mohave County, Arizona, submitted to the New York Laboratory by James Henderson and Earl King April 6, 1953. New York's reference number is 4685.

Our Samples Number	Their Reference Number	Percent U_3O_8 Equivalent
1	4685 A	0.8
2	4685 B	5.
3	4685 C	3.
4	4685 D	0.7
5	4685 E	0.06

The following radiometric assay returns were received verbally from the U. S. Geological Survey Laboratory in Denver, Colorado:

Field No.	Type*	Geographic location and Description of Material	eU
F-3953	C	Radioactive Copper Mineral -from ore pile on surface	14.1%
F-3954	B*-	" " " Hanging wall bottom level 250' below Shaft collar	.075%
F-3955	B	" " " Hanging wall bottom level, at water level.	0.54% 45
F-3956	C	" " " Below water level at bottom of drift.	0.13%

These samples were from the Copper Mountain Mine, Mohave County, Arizona

Note: Material sent to Vitro by J. Henderson from Copper Mountain.

Assays:

2.65% U_3O_8 - Chemical

20.67% Cu.

4 Pulps from Garfield:	Radiometric	Chemical
Lot No. 4 - 1/23/53	0.032% U_3O_8	0.030% U_3O_8
Lot No. 5 - 2/3/53	0.028	0.027
Lot No. 6 - 2-24-53	0.107	0.106
Lot No. 7 - 3/13/53	0.063	0.056

SUB-LEASE

THIS AGREEMENT made and entered into this 29th day of June, 1952, by and between LORIN WHITMORE, L. O. WHITMORE, and GALE WHITMORE, hereinafter known as the Lessors and JAMES WULFFENSTEIN and M. WULFFENSTEIN, hereinafter known as the Lessees.

WHEREAS the Lessors herein have and hold a certain lease on a 3/4 interest in and to the Cox and Ross Mine Claim and the Cox and Ross Mine Claim No. 1 as more fully described in the lease annexed and attached hereto.

Now, therefore, in consideration of FOUR HUNDRED FIFTY ($450.00) Dollars to be paid within Five (5) days from date, upon which payment this lease and agreement will become effective, the Lessors herein grant this sub-lease and option to purchase upon the following terms and conditions:

1. This agreement is for a period of Fifteen (15) years from date, with right to renewals under this lease and the lease attached hereto.

2. The Lessees herein agree to fulfill all of the obligations under the attached lease and to comply with the provisions of this agreement.

3. The Lessees herein agree to take possession and commence operation of the said claims within Twenty (20) days from date.

4. The Lessees herein agree and covenant to authorize payment directly from the smelter to V. Loraine Cox, at St. George, Utah a royalty in the sum of 7½% upon all ores and minerals shipped and sold from the said claims. The Lessees herein agree and covenant to authorize payment directly from the smelter to Sidney R. Whitmore, as agent of the Lessors herein, a royalty in the sum of 5½% on all ores and minerals shipped and sold from said claims. Upon the securing to the Lessees herein the outstanding Quarter (¼) interest to said claims the royalty payable to the Lessors herein will immediately be reduced to 2½% on all ore and minerals shipped and sold.

5. The Lessors and Lessees herein agree and covenant that any sale or transfer of the said claims will be done only by the consent and mutual agreement of the Lessors and Lessees herein. It is further mutually agreed by and between the Lessors and Lessees herein that upon such sale or transfer any downpayment obtained will be divided in equal portions between the Lessors and Lessees. That in the event such sale or transfer is accomplished the Lessors and Lessees herein will equally divided the purchase price and royalties to be paid above the purchase price and royalties to be paid to the owners of said claims.

6. The Lessees herein retain the right to secure financial assistance for development and operation of said claims and to transfer any portion of their interest in and to said claims for such purpose but the Lessees herein agree not to transfer the entire interest of the Lessors herein or the interest in the lease hereto annexed without complying with the provisions of paragraph Five (5) hereof. No share in financial assistance is due or expected by Lessors.

7. The Lessees herein agree to comply with State and Federal law pertaining to Workmen's compensation and insurance; to post all notices required upon the property to secure the non-liability of the owners of said claims and to secure the non-liability of the Lessors herein; to keep said premises free from liens, judgments or claim of any nature.

8. If the Lessees shall at any time be in default in the performance of any of the terms and conditions hereof upon them made incumbent, such default shall not operate to or give the Lessors the right to cancel, forfeit or terminate this agreement, unless the Lessors shall notify the Lessees in writing specifying the exact nature of such default and unless the Lessors shall, within Forty Five (45) days from the date of the receipt of such notification, fail to proceed diligently to cure such default.

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LAS VEGAS, NEVADA

9. In the event that any default is served upon the Lessors herein by the Owners of said claims it is agreed that the Lessees herein will cure such default and reimburse the Lessors or pay to the Owners any settlement required in the event the Lessees herein desire to retain possession and continue operations.

10. Any Notices, instruments or papers of any nature may be served upon Sidney R. Whitmore at Suite 3, Cornet Bldg, Las Vegas, Nevada, for and in behalf of the Lessors and such will be notice to all the Lessors herein. Any agreements necessary to be made with the Lessors may be made by and through this said agent on behalf of the Lessors, until further notice is given.

11. Any Notices, instruments or papers of any nature are to be served upon James Wulffenstein at 172 E Street, St. GEorge, Utah and upon M. Wulffenstein at 537 Elm Street, Boulder City, Nevada for the Lessees herein and until further notice is given.

12. This agreement inures to the benefit of an shall be binding upon the heirs, representatives and assigns of the parties hereto.

James Wulffenstein
JAMES WULFFENSTEIN, Lessee

Sidney R. Whitmore
SIDNEY R. WHITMORE, Attorney in Fact, and by Powers of Attorney, for and in behalf of the Lessors

M. Wulffenstein
M. WULFFENSTEIN, Lessee

STATE OF NEVADA)
) SS
COUNTY OF CLARK)

On this 29th day of June, the parties hereto waive said fact of being on Sunday, 1952, personally appeared before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, SIDNEY R. WHITMORE, JAMES WULFFENSTEIN, and M. WULFFENSTEIN, known to me or proved to me to be the persons described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, who acknowledged to me that they executed the same freely and voluntarily and for the uses and purposes therein mentioned.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name and affixed the official seal of my office the day and year first above written.

(S E A L)

Hallie Mosteller
Notary Public in and for said County and State.
HALLIE MOSTELLER

My commission expires Jan. 11, 1955

C O P Y

MINING PROPERTY LEASE

THIS AGREEMENT MADE and entered into this 2nd th day of February 1949 by and between:

MARY ETTA COX, V. LORAINE COX, ANNA C. COX, his wife, and KENNETH COX, and ANNA F. COX, his wife, all of Saint George, Utah.

Hereinafter called the "Lessors",
Parties of the First Part.

and

LORIN WHITMORE, L. O. WHITMORE, and GALE WHITMORE, of the town of OVERTON, NEVADA.

Hereinafter Called the "Lessee",
Parties of the Second Part.

WHEREAS, the Lessors are the owners of a three-fourth (3/4) share, and DONALD M. CARTER, of Chicago, Illinois, is the owner of a one-fourth (1/4) share, of the entire right, title and interest in and to two mining claims situated in the Copper Mountain Mining District in Mohave County, State of Arizona, known as the Cox and Ross Mine Claims, recorded in the aforesaid county in the Book 3U of Mines at page 285, and as the Cox and Ross Mine #1 Claim, recorded in the aforesaid county in the Book 3U of Mines at page 286; and

NOW THEREOFRE, in consideration of the premises and the covenants and agreements hereinafter set forth, and other good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto DO HEREBY MUTUALLY AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Lessors have granted, demised, leased and let, and by these presents do hereby grant, demise, lease and let unto the Lessee the exclu-ive right to prospect, explore, by core drills or otherwise, to mine, operate, produce, store and remove there-from and dispose of metals, ores, copper, gold, silver, and metal bearing quartz, rock and earth therein, together with all minerals therein contained on the surface and beneath the surface, including all underlying minerals, and including all dups, shafts, underground workings now on the premises, and to mill, concentrate, leach smelt, refine or otherwise treat the foregoing minerals, and including all springs and water right, including those located and recorded by V. Loraine Cox, et al, to wit: As filed and record-ed at request of V. Loraine Cox, June 24, 1940 at 9 o'clock in book 4 of Mill Sites & W Rts Page 84 in Records of Mohave County, Arizona; and to do all things necessary or desirable in carrying out any and all mining operation on, in, under or in connection with the two (2) mining claims situated in Mohave County, State of Arizona, in a more particularly described as follows:

A certain lode mining claim known as the Cox and Ross Mine #1 Claim, situated and docated in the Copper Mountain Mining District in Mojave County in the State of Arizona about six (6) miles in a Northerly direction from where the Andrus Spring Wash empties into the Colorado River. This claim is a part of what has been known as the Copper Mountain Mine. The surfact boundaries of the claim are marked upon the ground as follows: Beginning at this Discovery and North Center and Monument. The North end of this claim joins the South end of the Cox and Ross Mine Claim, being in the center of the North-easterly end line of said claim, thence Southeresterly 300 feet to a Monument, being the Northeasterly corner of said claim; thence Southeasterly 1500 feet to a Monument, being at the Southeasterly corner of said claim; thence 300 feet to a Monument at the center of the Southwesterly end of claim; thence 300 feet to a Monument, being at the Southwesterly corner of said claim; thence Northeasterly 1500 feet to a Monument at the Northwesterly corner of said claim; thence Southeasterly 300 feet to the place of beginning, and recorded in the County of Mohave in Book 3U at Page 286; and

A certain lode mining claim known as the Cox and Ross Mine, situated and located in the Copper Mountain Mining District in Mohave County in the State of Arizona about six (6) miles in a Northerly direction from where the Andrus Spring Wash empties into the Colorado River and this property is what has been known as the Copper Mountain Mine. The surfact boundaries of this claim are marked upon the gound as follows: Beginning at this Monument which is the Discovery and Southwesterly center end monument. The South end of this claim

joins the North end of the Cox and Ross Mine #1 Claim, being in the center of the Southerwesterly end line of said claim, thence Southeasterly 300 feet to a monument, being the Southeasterly corner of said claim; thence Northeasterly 1500 feet to a Monument, being at the Northeasterly corner of said claim; thence Northeasterly 300 feet to a Monument at the center of the Northeasterly end of said claim; thence Northwesterly 300 feet to a Monument, being at the Northwesterly corner of said claim; thence Southerwesterly 1500 feet to a Monument at the Southwesterly corner of said claim; ehence southeasterly 300 feet to the place of the beginning. and recorded in Mohave County in Book 3 U at Page 285;

for a termof twenty (20) years, beginning December 31, 1948, and so long thereafter as copper or other minerals shall be produced therefrom in paying quantities, unless sooner surrendered or terminated as hereinafter provided.

2. The Lessee agrees to enter upon mining operations upon said two (2) claims, and to dispose of ore from the said mining properties, either as originally found thereon or as concentrates or bullion, and to see that said ore is delivered to a smelter or smelters or a refinery or to purchasers of the products, and to pay to said Lessors seven and one-half percent (7½) on all net smelter or refinery returns or returns from the purchasers of the products, less the cost of transportation from the leased property to the point where the products are sold, and to authorize the smelter or refinery or purchasers of the products to pay the said seven and one-half percent (7½) royalty directly to the Lessors or their agent designated by them in writing, notification of which is to be sent to the smelter or smelters or refinery or purchaser.

3. Lessee agrees that said mining operations shall be begun on or before January 31, 1949, and be continued in a good and minerlike manner at such times and so long as the ore and the price of metals sold make such operation profitable to the Lessee; provided, HOWEVER:

(a) That in case mining operations shall not have been begun on January 31, 1949, the Lessee may at his option nevertheless keep this Lease in full force and effect by paying to the Lessors a minimum rental or royalty of ONE HUNDRED FIFTY ($150.00) DOLLARS a month. Such minimum royalty to be paid for the month of February 1949, on the 15th day of March 1949, and on the 15th of each month thereafter until mining operations are begun.

(b) That in case mining operations shall have been begun and thereafter discontinued during a period when the price of refined copper in the Connecticut Valley (so called) shall be ten cents (10¢) or more per pound, the Lessee may at his option keep this Lease in full force and effect by paying to the Lessor a minimum rental or royalty of ONE HUNDRED FIFTY ($150.00) DOLLARS per month, on the 15th day of the following month, and to continue until the price of copper shall fall below ten cents (10¢) per pound as hereinafter provided, or until mining operations are resumed.

(c) No minimum rental or royalty shall be payable at any time proper to January 31, 1949. No minimum rental or royalty shall be payable for any month in which the price of refined copper shall be less than ten cents (10¢) per pound for fifteen or more days of such month.

(d) In case the policy of the United States Government, or governmentla regulations, should make it impossible or unprofitable for the Lessee to continue mining operations, or in case the Government should take charge or control of the management of such mines or mining properties; or in case of strikes, floods, bad weather, bad roads, fire or other unavoidable condition beyond the control of the Lessee, then, and in any such event, the Lessee shall not be obliged to begin or to continue mining operations, the Lessee shall not be obliged to begin or to continue mining operations, so long as such conditions obtain, and his time to do so is extended accordingly, and no minimum royalties shall be payable during any such period.

4. The Lessors hereby grant the Lessee the right and option to purchase from the said Lessors by the royalties paid to the Lessors by the Lessee under this Agreement, the entire right, title and interest of the Lessors

in and to the said two mining claims and properties herein s in the cent a purchase price of Seventy-five Thousand Dollars ($75,000.00). v 300 fee ion may be exercised at any time during the term of this Lease by the Le rtheast giving to the Lessors a notice in writing to that effect. claim

5. The Lessors agree upon receipt of such notice to execute a good and sufficient Deed, transferring, assigning and quitclaiming their entire right, title and interest in and to the said two (2) claims herein designated, to the Lessee, and to deposit such Deed with the Bank of Saint George, at Saint George, Utah, with an authorization to said bank to deliver the said deed to the Lessee as soon as the Seventy-five Thousand Dollars ($75,000.00) payment has been completed. All royalty or rental payments made prior to the depositing of said Deed are to apply upon the purchase price of Seventy-five Thousand Dollars ($75,000.00), and the Lessors shall certify to the said bank the balance remaining to be paid before said Deed shall be delivered, and shall furnish a like certificate to the Lessee. After the said Deed is deposited with said Bank of Saint George, at St. George, Utah, all further royalty or minimum rental or royalty payments shall be deposited with the said Bank of Saint George, at St. George, Utha, all further royalty or minimum rental or royalty payments shall be deposited with the said Bank of Saint George, at Saint George, Utah, to the account of the Lessors, or of their agent designated in writing by the Lessors, and all such subsequent deposits shall reduce the purchase price by the amount thereof. The entire purchase price of Seventy-five Thousand Dollars ($75,000.00) shall, however, be paid in full on or before the 31st day of January 1968.

6. The Lessors agree that the Lessee may make additional payments on the Seventy-five Thousand Dollar ($75,000.00) purchase price in addition to the royalty payments, at any time, if he so desires, all of such additional payments being applied to reduce the amount of the said paurchase price.

7. The Lessee herein agrees to do the annual assessment work for the year of 1949, and to complete the same on or before April 1, 1949, and to do such annual assessment work in each year thereafter, and to complete the same on or before December 1st in each year until patent shall be issued, or until this Lease shall be surrendered or terminated.

The Lessors shall give Lessee in each year thirty (30) days' notice in writing, addressed to the Lessee at Overton, Nevada, requiring such assessment work to be done, If such assessment work shall not be completed and recorded on or before the date hereinafter specified, and such written notice shall have been given to the Lessee, then and in any such case this Lease and all rights of the Lessee hereunder shall immediately and automatically cease and terminate, and the Lessors shall have no other recourse whatsoever against the Lessee for his failure to do such assessment work or for any loss sustained by Lessors as a result thereof.

8. In the event at any time after January 31, 1949 the Lessee shall remain in default for three months in the payment of any installment of royalties or minimum rentals or any part thereof, or shall fail and cease, except when prevented by causes beyond his control, as herein provided, to prosecute mining operations for a period of six months consecutively without having paid the minimum rental or royalties, the Lessors may, at their option, give sixty (60) days' notice in writing to the Lessee, requiring performance of those covenants wherein the default has been made, and if such default shall not have been cured on or before the expiration of said sixty (60) days period, then this Lease shall cease and terminate at the end of such sixty day period, and the Lessors, their respective heirs, executors or assigns shall be entitled thereupon to re-enter and take possession of the premises leased hereunder, and all further rights and obligations on the part of the Lessee hereunder shall thereupon terminate. All payments theretofore made by the Lessee to or for the account of the Lessors shall be retained by them as liquidated damages and not as a penalty.

Notwithstanding the exercise by him of the option to purchase herein contained, the Lessee may at any time surrender and cancel this Lease by giving to the Lessors thirty days' notice of his intention to do so, and upon the expiration of said thirty (30) days period this Lease and any contract arising from the exercise of the option herein contained shall cease and terminate without further liability on the part of the Lessee to the Lessors, and the Lessors, their respective heirs, executors or assigns shall be entitled thereupon to re-enter and take possession of the premises leased hereunder. All payments theretofore made by the Lessee to or for the account of the Lessors shall be retained by the Lessors as liquidated damages, and not as a penalty.

9. The Lessee agrees to keep accurate books of account of the business, and of the net smelter or refinery returns and/or returns from the purchasers of products of said Copper Mountain Mining property, which books shall be open to the inspection of the Lessors, or their duly authorized representative, at the office the Lessee in the town of Overton, Nevada, at all reasonable times, and the Lessee shall deliver to the Lessors, by mail, addressed to them at Saint George, Utah, or to any other point designated in writing by the Lessors, quarterly statements or reports on the 15th days of July, October, January and April of each year, setting out the net smelter or refineray returns, or returns from the pruchasers of the products, for the three calendar months preceding each report and shall authroize and direct the smelter or refinery or purchasers of the products to pay the seven and one-half ($7\frac{1}{2}$) percent royalty at the time payments for such products are made to the Lessee, such payments to be made to the Lessors by mail at St. George, Utah or to any other point which they may designate in writing.

10. This agreement inures to the benefit of and shall be binding upon the heirs, executors, administrators and assigns of the respective parties hereto.

SIGNED BY ALL THE PARTIES AND sealed by a Notary Public.

January 27, 1954.

Mr. George F. Baggley, Superintendent
National Park Service
Lake Mead National Recreation Area
Boulder City, Nevada

Re: Docket DMEA-3075 (Uranium),
J & M Leasing Company,
Cox and Ross Mining Claims,
Mohave County, Arizona

Dear Mr. Baggley:

Messrs. McMurrin Wulfenstein and James E. Wulfenstein, 446 West 400 North, St. George, Utah made an application for Defense Minerals Exploration Administration assistance on the Cox and Ross Mining Claims located in Mohave County, Arizona.

Most of the applicants' proposed work was too close to the east sideline of the Cox and Ross Mining Claims and we asked them to submit proof of their rights to mine ore on the property adjoining their east sideline. The applicants then declared that they had located mining claims adjacent to the Cox and Ross Mining Claims. The burden of proof that these are valid mining claim locations rests with the Wulfensteins as far as DMEA is concerned.

Engineering and geologic reports on the property are now in preparation and it is known by this office that exploration assistance will be recommended provided the applicants establish their rights to mine ore on the property.

Very truly yours,

J. H. East, Jr.
Regional Director
Region IV

HMC:cwm

cc: C.O.Mittendorf
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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
Lake Mead National Recreation Area
Boulder City, Nevada

REGIONAL DIRECTOR'S OFFICE
REGION IV
JAN 25 1954
BUREAU OF MINES
DENVER, COLORADO

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January 20, 1954

Mr. John H. East, Jr.,
Regional Director, Region Four,
U. S. Bureau of Mines
224 New Customs House
Denver 2, Colorado

Dear Mr. East:

Wulfenstein Brothers of St. George, Utah, claim to have located uranium bearing ore in Sec. 14, T. 32 S., R. 10 W., G. & S. R. M. in the northern part of Mohave County, Arizona, and are making application for a portion of this section to be released from withdrawal status so they might conduct mining activities thereon.

Wulfenstein Brothers claim, among other things, to have arranged a loan of some $80,000 to finance the opening of this property. It is our understanding, however, from talking with a representative of the Bureau of Mines laboratory here at Boulder City that any federal loans on uranium mining property must have the prior concurrence or approval of a group of three persons qualified to pass on the possibilities of the property, the quality of the ore, and other characteristics of the proposal. We were informed that you or your office would probably be called upon to pass judgment on such a project. It will be helpful to us in passing on the desirability of releasing this property from withdrawl status to have such information as you may be able to supply us concerning this property if you have knowledge of it.

Could you tell us what type of ore is involved, where it would probably be marketed, and the probability of a successful operation financially. We shall greatly appreciate your assistance.

Sincerely yours

George F. Baggley
Superintendent

Lake Mead National Recreation Area
Boulder City, Nevada

January 20, 1954

Mr. Ellis J. Pickett
Attorney at Law
St. George, Utah

Dear Mr. Pickett:

We have your letter of January 14, concerning the interests of Hulfenstein Brothers of St. George, who are reported to have an interest in mining claims in Sec. 14, T. 33 N., R. 10 W., G & S R M.

Your letter raises a number of questions for which we do not have a ready answer. We shall promptly go into the matter, however, and advise you just how to proceed as soon as we can do so.

When the Hulfensten Brothers were in this office last week, however, they were advised to prepare a good map of the area involved, with a complete statement of their findings, their filings, mineral or minerals involved, their methods of access, intended type of operation, and other data of that nature, for presentation to the District Manager of the Bureau of Land Management, Phoenix, Arizona. This is the first step in any process of having land removed from withdrawal for mining entry. Since uranium is involved, there are a number of other regulations which must in this case be taken into account. We are not too familiar with these and are asking our Regional Director's advice thereon.

Under the present status of the withdrawn lands, the area is open to mineral prospecting but such activities as road construction or the opening of mining prospects with heavy equipment must have the prior approval of the National Park Service if on withdrawn lands in the Recreation Area.

We will advise you just as soon as we have additional information which will be helpful to you.

Sincerely yours

George F. Baggley
Superintendent

cc: Region Three
[illegible]
Mr. John West, Jr.

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APPROVED BY THE PRESIDENT
MARCH 10, 1926

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Denver, Colorado January 8, 1946

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JAMES E WULPENSTEIN
ST. GEORGE UTAH

REFERRED JANUARY 7, 1946, ENGINEERING AND GEOLOGIC REPORTS ARE BEING PREPARED ON YOUR DOCKET NO. 3075. YOU WILL BE NOTIFIED BY THE WASHINGTON OFFICE OF THEIR DECISION WHEN THE REPORTS HAVE BEEN COMPLETED.

JOHN F SHAW, FOR W. H. KING

cc: Accounts
S. R. Wilson
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Chron

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IN REFERENCE TO D.M.E.A. DOCKET NO 305 (URANIUM) J AND M LEASING CO MOHAVE COUNTY ARIZONA. PLEASE ADVISE STATIS OF LOAN AND WHEN TO EXPECT ACTION.=

JAMES E WULFENSTEIN=

Mining Division
Date Rec'd.
JAN 8 1954
BUREAU OF MINES
Denver, Colorado

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THE COMPANY WILL APPRECIATE SUGGESTIONS FROM ITS PATRONS CONCERNING ITS SERVICE

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF MINES
Salt Lake City, Utah

No. 13

Report to Mr. W. E. Young

Date received Dec. 7, 1953

Chemical Laboratory Report

DMEA program

Date reported Dec. 15, 1953

Serial No.	DESCRIPTION	Lot No.	Au	Ag	Cu	U_3O_8
	Copper Mountain Mine, Mohave County, Ariz. DMEA-3075					
20716		1	<0.005	0.1	1.75	0.006
17		2	<0.005	0.7	7.51	0.009
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cc: S. R. Wilson
W. H. King

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Denver Colorado

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Signed H. T. Peterson

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF MINES

1600 EAST FIRST SOUTH STREET
SALT LAKE CITY 1, UTAH

Mining Division
Date Rec'd
NOV 30 1953
BUREAU OF MINES
Denver, Colorado

November 27, 1953

Mr. James E. Wulfenstein
172 E. 300 South
St. George, Utah

Dear Mr. Wulfenstein:

This will advise you that W. E. Young from this office and C. G. Tillman of the Geological Survey will be in St. George Monday evening, November 30, 1953.

They will be prepared to examine your property under docket No. DMEA 3075 the following morning, December 1, 1953.

Very truly yours,

Stephen R. Wilson

Stephen R. Wilson, Chief
Minerals Development Branch
Mining Division, Region IV

cc: W. H. King (2)

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Date Rec'd
OCT 27 1953
BUREAU OF MINES
Denver, Colo

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

October 26, 1953

C. G. Tillman

R. P. Fischer

DMEA Docket 3075 (Uranium), J. & M. Leasing Company, Cox and Ross Mining Claims, Mohave County, Arizona

Enclosed are copies of the following: Memorandum from Arthur P. Butler to E. Wm. Ellis dated June 18, 1953, a memorandum from H. D. Keiser to E. Wm. Ellis dated June 17, 1953, and a letter to Messrs. McMurrin Wulfenstein and James E. Wulfenstein from F. L. Knous dated August 5, 1953.

RPF/mlr

cc: W. H. King
G. J. file
Reading file

224 New Customhouse
Denver 2, Colorado

October 22, 1953

AIRMAIL

Memorandum

To: R. P. Fischer

From: Executive Officer, DMEA Field Team, Region IV

Subject: Docket DMEA No. 3075 (Uranium), J & M Leasing Company, Mohave County, Arizona

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John F. Shaw
John F. Shaw, for
W. H. King

Enclosure

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cc WRStorms
Subject
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S R WILSON

AMENDED TRAVEL ORDER NO. R-IV-A-31A WILL INCLUDE ARIZONA AND NEW MEXICO SOTXXX SOTXXXX SO THAT GILKEY CAN PROCEED WITH DMEA EXAMINATION DOCKET 3075.

W H KING

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224 New Customhouse
Denver 2, Colorado

September 25, 1953

Air Mail

Mr. Ellis J. Pickett, Attorney
St. George, Utah

Dear Mr. Pickett:

This will acknowledge receipt of your telegram of September 25 regarding the examination of the J & M Leasing Company property, Mohave County, Arizona.

A copy of the application and other information has been sent to our field office with a request that the examination be made. The examiners will contact you well in advance of the time they will make the examination of the property under consideration so that your representative can accompany them.

Yours very truly,

W. H. KING

W. H. King
Executive Officer
DMEA Field Team

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Copy to: Ralph Roberts, w/copy of telegram
S. R. Wilson " " "
A. H. Koschmann " " "

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W H KING EXECUTIVE OFFICER, DMEA FIELD TEAM REGION 4=

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WHEN MAY J&M LEASING CO EXPECT EXAMINATION OF THEIR PROPERTY IN MOHAVE COUNTY ARIZONA AS PER APPLICATION SENT YOU AUGUST TWENTY-FOURTH=

ELLIS J PICKETT ATTORNEY AT LAW=

Mining Division
Date Rec'd.
SEP 25 1953
BUREAU OF MINES
Denver, Colorado

THE COMPANY WILL APPRECIATE SUGGESTIONS FROM ITS PATRONS CONCERNING ITS SERVICE

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

P. O. Box 360
Grand Junction, Colo.

September 24, 1953

Mining Division
Date Rec'd
SEP 28 1953
BUREAU OF MINES
Denver, Colorado

Mr. R. J. Roberts
U. S. Geological Survey
Room 208
222 South W. Temple
Salt Lake City, Utah

Dear Ralph:

Koschmann informs me that he made arrangements by phone with Pres Hotz for your office to handle DMEA 3075, J&M Leasing Company, Cox and Ross mining claims, Mohave County, Arizona. The application and brochure are attached.

We appreciate your assuming responsibility for this work, as its geographic position is inconvenient for us and as we have no special technical experience to handle the geology on a deposit of this type.

Sincerely,

R. P. Fischer

Attachment

RPF:mlr

cc: A. H. Koschmann
W. H. King
W. R. Storms

September 24, 1953

Memorandum

To: W. R. Storms

From: Executive Officer, DMEA Field Team, Region IV

Subject: Docket DMEA 3075 (Uranium), J & M Leasing Co., Cox & Ross Mining Claims, Mohave County, Arizona

Please refer to the field team memorandum of September 15 and our teletype of today regarding the subject docket.

Fischer requested that we arrange for the Geological Survey at Salt Lake City to handle the examination of the property involved in the subject docket because of the type of deposit and its location. Since the Geological Survey representative from Salt Lake City would make the geological examination, it appeared advisable for us to arrange for a Bureau engineer from Salt Lake City to make the examination, as it would be possible for them to travel together. The examiners would have the advantage of closer cooperation in the preparation of their reports.

W. H. KING

W. H. King

Copy to: A. H. Koschmann
R. P. Fischer
S. R. Wilson

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Bureau of Mines

September 24, 1953

W. R. Storms, 117 Engineering Building, University of Arizona, Tucson.

Please refer to field team memo of September 15 regarding Docket DMEA 3075, J. & M. Leasing Co., Cox & Ross Mining Claims, Mohave County, Arizona. Engineering examination will be made by Gilkey from our Salt Lake City office. Memo following.

W. H. King

CC: Koschmann
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W R STORMS, 117 ENGINEERING BUILDING, UNIV OF ARIZ., TUCSON

PLEASE REFER TO FIELD TEAM MEMO OF SEPTEMBER 15 REGARDING DOCKET EMXXX DMEA 3075, J AND M LEASING CO., COX AND ROSS MINING CLAIMS, MOHAVE COUNTY, ARIZONA. ENGINEERING EXAMINATION WILL BE MADE BY GILKEY FROM OUR SALT LAKE OFFICE. MEMO FOLLOWING.

W H KING

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RE DMEA 3075 MOJAVE COUNTY, ARIZONA. WE WILL ARRANGE EXAMINATION OF THE PROPERTY WITHTILLMAN OF THE SURVEY. GILKEY WILL MAKE THE EXAMINATION.

STEPHEN R WILSON

END MB PLS ACK

OK THANKS EN MSG BMHV

Denver, Colorado
September 23, 1953

R. P. Fischer

A. H. Koschmann

Your letter of September 22 regarding DMEA Docket 3075, J & M Leasing Company, Mohave County, Arizona

According to our date this project falls in the northwest corner of Mohave County and thus falls within the boundaries of the Plateau and that's why it was sent to you. However, since the subject deposit presumably is a vein deposit, we here have no objection if it is handled by the Salt Lake City office. I just talked to Pres Hotz in Salt Lake and they will handle it. According, please send the brochure to them and remind them that it is the project I called them about.

cc: W. H. King

IN REPLY REFER TO:

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
P. O. Box 360
Grand Junction, Colo.

September 22, 1953

Mining Division
Date Rec'd
SEP 23 1953
BUREAU OF MINES
Denver Colorado

Mr. A. H. Koschmann
Supervising Geologist
U. S. Geological Survey
Room 200, New Customhouse
Denver, Colorado

Dear Kosch:

Last week we received docket DMEA 3075 (uranium) J&M Leasing Company, Cox and Ross mining claims, Mohave County, Arizona.

Judging from the description of the deposit given in the brochure, this is a uranium-bearing vein deposit and probably has little or no geologic similarity with the "Plateau type" carnotite deposits. For this reason, and because we have such a large load of other DMEA projects, I suggest you consider the possibility of having our Tucson office or, perhaps the Salt Lake office, handle this application. If necessary for us to do so, we will take on this job, but it will be quite inconvenient because of its geographic location, and we have no special experience or knowledge to contribute to a project on this type of deposit.

I will hold the brochure until I hear further from you in this regard.

Sincerely yours,

R. P. Fischer
Acting District Supervisor
Plateau District Colorado

RPF:mlr

cc: W. H. King
W. R. Storms

224 New Customhouse
Denver 2, Colorado

September 15, 1953

Memorandum

To: C. O. Mittendorf, Administrator, DMeA

From: Executive Officer, DMeA Field Team, Region IV

Subject: Docket DMeA 3075 (Uranium), J & M Leasing Co., Cox & Ross Mining Claims, Mohave County, Arizona

On September 2, 1953 we advised you that the subject application has been placed in the inactive file until such time that the applicant submitted proof of his rights to mine ore on the property adjoining his east sideline.

The applicant has submitted proof that he has located claims adjacent to the Cox and Ross mining claims. We have reactivated the docket, and we have sent the brochure to the field for an examination.

W. M. King
W. M. King

HMC:fwo

cc WRStorms
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Koschmann (2)

224 New Customhouse
Denver 2, Colorado

September 15, 1953

Memorandum

To: R. P. Fischer (with brochure)

W. R. Storms

From: Field Team, Region IV

Subject: Docket DMSA 3075 (Uranium), J & M Leasing Co., Cox & Ross Mining Claims, Mohave County, Arizona

Enclosed herewith is the subject application for Government assistance in exploration work estimated to cost $84,508.00.

The brochure consists of the following:

1. Form MF-103
2. Letter from the Operating Committee
3. Form MF-203
4. Photostat of Sub-lease
5. Photostat of Mining Property Lease-unsigned
6. Five sheets of sample data
7. Sketch showing four mining claims
8. Four copies of Notice of Location
9. Two maps prepared by AEC

A suitable report is required.

W. H. King
W. H. King

W. H. K.

A. H. Koschmann
A. H. Koschmann

Enclosures

HMC:fwo

cc Subject
Chron
Koschmann (2)

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
DEFENSE MINERALS EXPLORATION ADMINISTRATION
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

Mining Division
Date Rec'd
SEP 1953
BUREAU OF MINES
Denver, Colorado

SEP 3 1953

Mr. Ellis J. Pickett
Pickett & Pickett
Pickett Building
St. George, Utah

Re: Docket No. DMEA-3075 (Uranium)
J & M Leasing Company
Cox and Ross Mining Claims
Mohave County, Arizona

Dear Mr. Pickett:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 24, concerning the information requested in our letter of August 10 to Messrs. McMurrin and James E. Wulfenstein.

The information requested should be sent only to Mr. W. H. King, Executive Officer, DMEA Field Team, Region IV, 224 New Customhouse Building, Denver 2, Colorado.

Sincerely yours,

C. O. Mittendorf

Administrator

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cc to: Adm. Reading File
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Messrs: H.D.Keiser, Rm. 3641
A.P.Butler, Jr., Rm. 3206, GSA
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DMEA Field Team, Region IV (2)

224 New Customhouse
Denver 2, Colorado

September 2, 1953

Messrs. McMurrin Wulfenstein and
James E. Wulfenstein
446 West 400 North
St. George, Utah

Re: Docket No. DMEA 3075
(Uranium) J & M Leasing Co.
Cox and Ross Mining Claims
Mohave County, Arizona

Gentlemen:

This will acknowledge receipt of a claim map and sample data forwarded to us by Pickett & Pickett of St. George, Utah, as requested in Mr. Mittendorf's letter to you under date of August 10, 1953.

It is noted that all of your proposed exploration work is close to the east sideline of your property, and extends beyond the sideline in one of the proposed drifts.

We have plased your application in our inactive file until you submit proof of your rights to mine ore on the property adjoining your east sideline.

Very truly yours,

W. H. King

W. H. King
Executive Officer
DMEA Field Team, Region IV

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cc: Docket
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Koschmann (2)

224 New Customhouse
Denver 2, Colorado

August 14, 1953

Messrs. McMurrin Wulfenstein
and James E. Wulfenstein
446 West 400 North
St. George, Utah

Re: Docket No. DMEA-3075 (Uranium)
J & M Leasing Company
Cox and Ross Mining Claims
Mohave County, Arizona

Gentlemen:

We have received a copy of C. O. Mittendorf's letter to you under date of August 10, 1953, in which he requested additional information to accompany your application for exploration assistance.

When we receive this information we will be glad to continue to process your application.

Very truly yours,

W. H. King

W. H. King
Executive Officer, DMEA
Field Team, Region IV

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Denver Colorado

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
DEFENSE MINERALS EXPLORATION ADMINISTRATION
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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Messrs. McMurrin Wulfenstein
and James M. Wulfenstein
146 West 100 North
St. George, Utah

Re: Docket No. DMEA-3075 (Uranium)
J & M Leasing Company
Cox and Ross Mining Claims
Mohave County, Arizona

Gentlemen:

Reference is made to your application for Government exploration aid to explore the captioned project at a total estimated cost of $81,508.00.

In order for us to continue with the processing of your application we will require the following information:

1. Furnish a map or sketch showing the mining claim boundaries in relation to the mine workings as shown on the map of the U. S. Atomic Energy Commission submitted with your application.

2. It is not clear in your application if more than one mining claim is proposed for exploration. In either case, we will require all the recorded claim names, date recorded, book, page, and where recorded.

3. Supply any available sample data, production records, etc., showing the ore mined from this property. Also describe the geology or mineralization which you believe justifies the proposed work.

A copy of this information should be sent to the Executive Officer of Region IV at the following address:

Mr. W. H. King
Executive Officer
DMEA Field Team, Region IV
224 New Customhouse Building
Denver 2, Colorado

Your application has been referred to Mr. King to make an examination of your property at a mutually convenient time upon receipt of the above information.

Sincerely yours,

C. O. Mittendorf

Administrator

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cc to: Adm. Reading File
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Messrs: M.U.Keiser, Rm. 3641
A.P.Butler, Jr., Rm. 3206, GSA
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DEFENSE MINERALS EXPLORATION ADMINISTRATION
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Denver, Colorado

Mr. W. H. King
Executive Officer
DMEA Field Team, Region IV
224 New Customhouse Building
Denver 2, Colorado

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Re: Docket No. DMEA-3075 (Uranium)
J & M Leasing Co.
Cox and Ross Mining Claims
Mohave County, Arizona

Dear Mr. King:

The captioned application is referred to your office for a field examination of the proposed project.

Copies of memoranda from Mr. Arthur P. Butler, Jr., dated June 18, 1953, and Mr. H. D. Keiser, dated June 16, 1953, outlining questions to be covered in the examining engineer's report are enclosed. We are also enclosing a copy of a letter received from Ellis J. Pickett, Attorney for the Applicant, dated July 27, 1953, together with two copies of our letter written today to the Applicant requesting additional information to be supplied. A copy of the Applicant's reply is to be sent to you prior to the field examination.

If your office recommends either the program as submitted, or an alternate one approved by the Applicant, kindly furnish us the detailed information required to draft a contract. Some of the proposed work may be in the category of development, i.e. drifts along the vein at 100 foot intervals from the proposed shaft sinking. Therefore, the examining engineers should carefully consider these questions when making their recommendations.

In your memorandum of June 8, 1953, that transmitted the application to this office, we note that you retained a copy for your files.

Sincerely yours,

George C. Selfridge
Chairman, Operating Committee

Enclosures

APPROVED:

J. H. Hedges
Member, Bureau of Mines

A. P. Kinkel
Member, Geological Survey

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
DEFENSE MINERALS EXPLORATION ADMINISTRATION
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

Messrs. McMurrin Wulfenstein
and James E. Wulfenstein
446 West 400 North
St. George, Utah

AUG 10 1953

Re: Docket No. DMEA-3075 (Uranium)
J & M Leasing Company
Cox and Ross Mining Claims
Mohave County, Arizona

Gentlemen:

Reference is made to your application for Government exploration aid to explore the captioned project at a total estimated cost of $84,508.00.

In order for us to continue with the processing of your application we will require the following information:

1. Furnish a map or sketch showing the mining claim boundaries in relation to the mine workings as shown on the map of the U. S. Atomic Energy Commission submitted with your application.

2. It is not clear in your application if more than one mining claim is proposed for exploration. In either case, we will require all the recorded claim names, dates recorded, book, page and where recorded.

3. Supply any available sample data, production records, etc., showing the ore mined from this property. Also describe the geology or mineralization which you believe justifies the proposed work.

A copy of this information should be sent to the Executive Officer of Region IV at the following address:

Mr. W. H. King
Executive Officer
DMEA Field Team, Region IV
224 New Customhouse Building
Denver 2, Colorado

Your application has been referred to Mr. King to make an examination of your property at a mutually convenient time upon receipt of the above information.

Sincerely yours,

Administrator

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Messrs: H.D.Keiser, Rm. 3641
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July 27, 1953

Mr. Frank E. Johnson, Administrator
Department of the Interior
Defense Minerals Exploration Administration
Washington 25, D. C.

In Re: Dockett No. DMEA-3075
J. & M. Leasing Company (Uranium)
Mohave County, Arizona

Dear Mr. Johnson:

The question that you propound in your letter July 17, 1953, relative to the above matter is whether or not the Wulfenstein Brothers, who are sub-lessees of 3/4 interest in the Cox & Ross Mine, Mohave County, Arizona, have the right to operate said mines, whether or not they are joined in the operation by the owners of the other 1/4 interest or whether or not they are able to operate the 3/4 interest of a mining claim even though the owner of the 1/4 interest would actively oppose said operation.

In my opinion the Wulfensteins will be able to operate the mines with the 3/4 interest in question without interference from the owner of the other 1/4 interest because they are tenants in common with the owners of the other 1/4 interest in said mining claims, and one of the incidents of tenancy in common of a mining claim is the right of each tenant in common with his co-tenants to possession of the premises held in common,

Thompson on Real Property,
Permanent Edition, Sec. 101

"As in the case of co-tenancies of other properties, each co-owner (of a mining claim) has the right to open and work the mine. (parentheses ours). I. D. Sec. 101, page 137

If there is any question whether or not the lessee or sub-lessee of a tenancy in common or a co-tenancy becomes himself a co-tenant I would refer to the same authority on page 138 as follows:

"One tenant in common may lease his undivided interest and the lessee becomes a tenant in common in his lessor's stead."

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40 ALR 1389

The rights of co-tenants are set forth in 14 American Jurisprudence, page 93, Sec. 32 wherein: "It is a rule of general application that any co-owner of real property has a right to enter upon the common estate and take possession of the free hold thereof, subject only to the equal right of his companions in interest, with whose possession he may not interfere." And in Sec. 25 of the same text we find the following, "A tenant in common of a mine has a right to work it, and does not become a trespasser in so doing, even though his co-tenants object."

I do not find a case in point where the question has been decided by the Supreme Court of the State of Arizona, but there are many cases in Western states holding with the rulings and statement of the law as given above and there is no question but what Arizona would follow and does follow the same rule of law. A Colorado case in 94 Pac. 292 holds that where a single co-tenant works a mine he cannot demand contributions from those not working, but if pay ore is taken out he can deduct their proper share for all expenditures which improve the value of the mine or lead to the discovery of ore, but not for the expenses of unsuccessful prospecting. This is also quoted in Morrisons Mining Rights 16th edition, page 423; and quoting from the same book and page, "At common law each could work without accounting to the other. This was changed by the Statue of 4 Aime Ch-16, Sec. 27, "Most states have adopted the tenor of that statue, to-wit: that the excluded co-tenant may have his proper action for his share of the proceeds of the workings."

"When an such statue has been enacted giving the right to an account and taking away the common law right of each to work at his own risk but to his own exclusive profit, the law seems to be; that any co-tenant may work the common property, at his own risk if he works to a loss, but must account to his co-tenants if he works to a profit."

In the same tenor we find the following, 36 American Jurisprudence, page 398, Sec. 169, "A co-tenant of mineral lands or mines has a right to develope the same and remove the minerals, even without the consent or approval of the other co-tenants."

In Lindley on Mines, 3d edition, paragraph 790, page 1949 the author is discussing the rights of co-tenants of mines says this, "The working co-tenant who does not exclude his co-owner nor wrongfully assert entire ownership may deduct from the gross product all the legitimate expenses of workings; but in case of

loss, he cannot compel his co-owners to contribute. ----- Tenants in common are not bound to use the common property jointly by means of a contract of partnership between them, but may possess, use, and enjoy accounting to the co-tenants for so much of the rents, profits as they may receive beyond their just share and portion."

The law seems to be well settled that tenants in common of real property may use the same independly of each other subject to an accounting to the co-tenant not participating, and it seems to be well settled in the western states that tenants in common of mining claims may work the property together or each co-tenant or a group of the same may operate the jointly owned property without the consent of the other owners.

It would seem from the above that the Wulfensteins would have the right to go upon the two mining claims in question and work the same but would have to account for proportionate share of the profits to the owner of the 1/4 interest belonging to the Carter estate in Chicago. The Wulfensteins would have right of possession under the lease from the owners of the 3/4 interest, they would have the right to go upon the property, develop, explore, and mine the same without the consent of the owner of the other 1/4 interest and in fact they could do so even though the owner of the 1/4 interesteobjected.

I trust that the above is sufficient to warrant you in proceeding to process the application for loan by the Wulfensteins and that the loan may be comsumated so that they can proceed in the exploration of this property. If any other information is needed or if you wish further search of the authorities as to the legal right to proceed with this work, please let me know and I will do what I can.

Very truly yours,

Ellis J. Pickett

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UNITED STATES
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DEFENSE MINERALS EXPLORATION ADMINISTRATION
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

Mining Division
Date Rec'd
JUL 22 1953
BUREAU OF MINES
Denver, Colorado

JUL 17 1953

Ellis J. Pickett, Esq.
Pickett Building
St. George, Utah

Re: Docket No. DMEA-3075
J. & M. Lessing Co. (Uranium)
Mohave County, Arizona

Dear Mr. Pickett:

This responds to your letters dated July 3 and July 8 in reply to my letter of June 25 to Messrs. McMurrin and James E. Wulfenstein regarding the above-referenced project.

My letter pointed out that an applicant must have a sufficient interest in the land for the purposes of an exploration project contract, and that as a one-fourth interest in the land is outstanding we require legal evidence of your right to use the land. Your letter states that the outstanding one-fourth interest is involved in the administration of an estate for which there is presently no executor, and you question whether the outstanding interest can be acquired readily. We can appreciate the complexities and delay which would be involved in attempting to acquire the outstanding interest, and therefore, do not insist upon it. However, as stated in my letter of June 25, we must have assurance in the form of legal evidence, of the applicant's right to explore and mine the property without any interruption. Accordingly, in lieu of acquiring ownership or a lease of the outstanding one-fourth interest, we require that you demonstrate legally that a lessee (in this case a sublessee) from a tenant in common has the right, in the state where the land is located (Arizona), to use the leased land without interruption for the full term of the lease.

You transmitted with your letter of July 8 seven copies of a Subordination Agreement, which your letter stated was signed by Sidney R. Whitmore for Leland O., Gale S., and Lorin B. Whitmore, the sublessors. However, although the sublease was executed by Sidney R. Whitmore as Attorney-in-Fact,

the signature on the Subordination Agreement was not so affixed to the agreement. Also, the recital in the agreement described the Whitmores as an Operator. Therefore, we are enclosing Subordination Agreement forms which we have prepared for signature, in lieu of the ones which you submitted.

Sincerely yours,

FRANK E. JOHNSON

ACTING Administrator

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Air Mail

Messrs. McMurrin Wulfenstein
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446 West 400 North
St. George, Utah

Re: Docket No. DMEA-3075
J. & M. Leasing Co. (Uranium)
Mohave County, Arizona

Gentlemen:

In reviewing the application of your company for an exploration project contract, it is noted that McMurrin and James E. Wulfenstein are sublessees of a three-fourths interest in that land leased February 2, 1949, to Lorin, L. O., and Gale Whitmore, and that the Owner's Consent to Lien of the owners of the three-fourths interest is attached. With respect to the other one-fourth interest, owned by Donald M. Carter, Chicago, the application states: "We have assurance that the other 1/4 interest will not stand in the way of a Government Loan." There is no other explanation in the application concerning the outstanding one-fourth interest.

In order to qualify for an exploration project contract, it is necessary that the applicant have a sufficient interest in the land for the purposes of the project. As a one-fourth interest is outstanding in the land for which you propose an exploration project, and as there is not before us any legal evidence of your right to use the land with that interest outstanding, we require such evidence before proceeding with the processing of your application.

In the event that a project is approved for the property involved, we will also require an Owner's Consent to Lien signed by Donald M. Carter, and a Subordination Agreement signed by the sublessors (Whitmores) before executing a contract. Eight copies of each agreement are enclosed, and seven executed copies of each should be returned to us.

Sincerely yours,

C. O. Mittendorf
Administrator

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June 11, 1953

Memorandum

To: Executive Officer, DMEA Field Team, Region IV

From: Chief, Operation's Control and Statistics Division

Subject: Assignment of Docket Number

There is listed below the assigned docket number to an application recently received from Region IV

DMEA - 3075, J. & M. Leasing Company.

Robert E. Adams,
Chief, Operation's Control
and Statistics Division

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224 New Customhouse
Denver 2, Colorado

June 8, 1953.

Memorandum

To: Secretary to the Operating Committee

From: Field Team, DMEA, Region IV

Subject: Application - (Uranium), J. & M. Leasing Company, St. George, Utah.

Enclosed are three copies of an application for exploration assistance submitted by the J. & M. Leasing Company. The application consists of Form MF-103 with answers, the signed copies of Owner's Consent to Lien, photostat of a mining lease, photostat of a sub-lease and a map. A copy of this application is being retained in this office.

The estimated cost of the exploration project is $84,508.00.

John F. Shaw
John F. Shaw
For W. H. King

A. H. Koschmann
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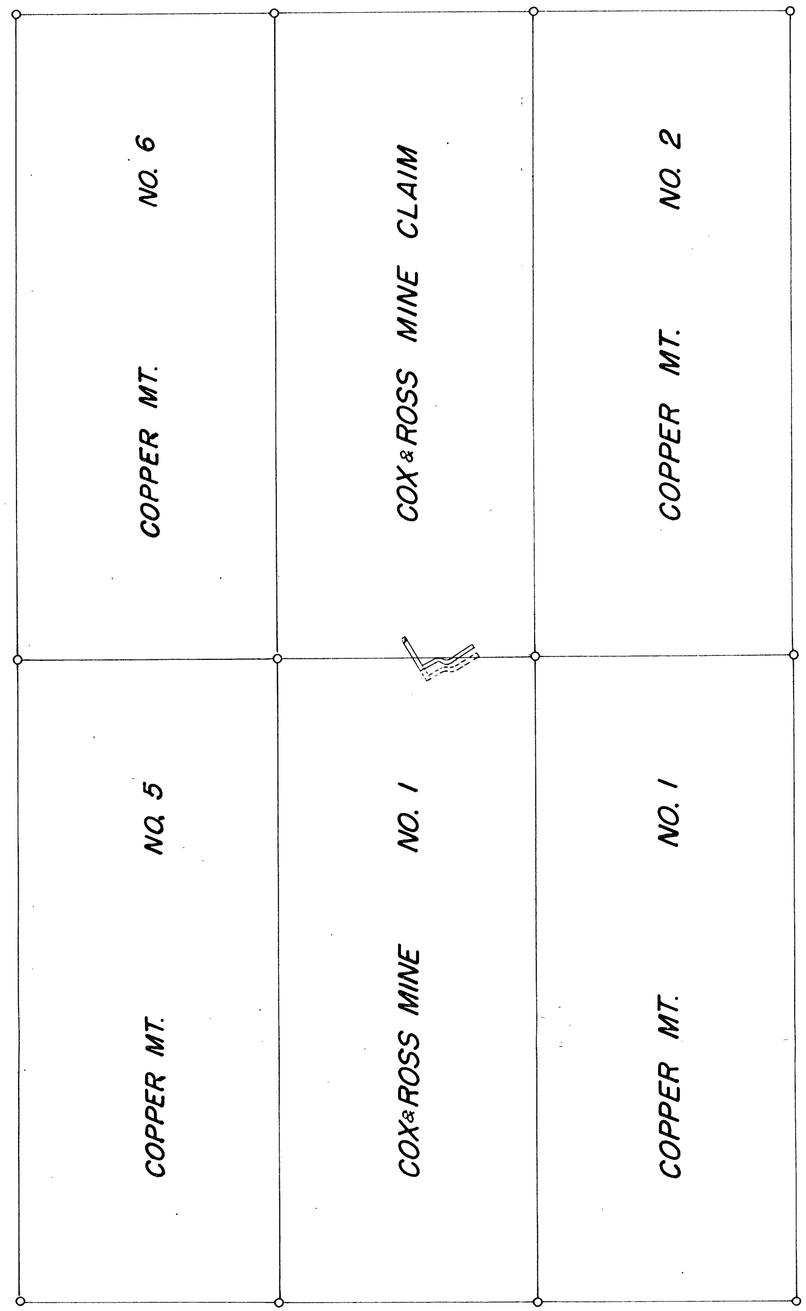

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Fig. 6 DMEA Docket No. 3075

Claim Map

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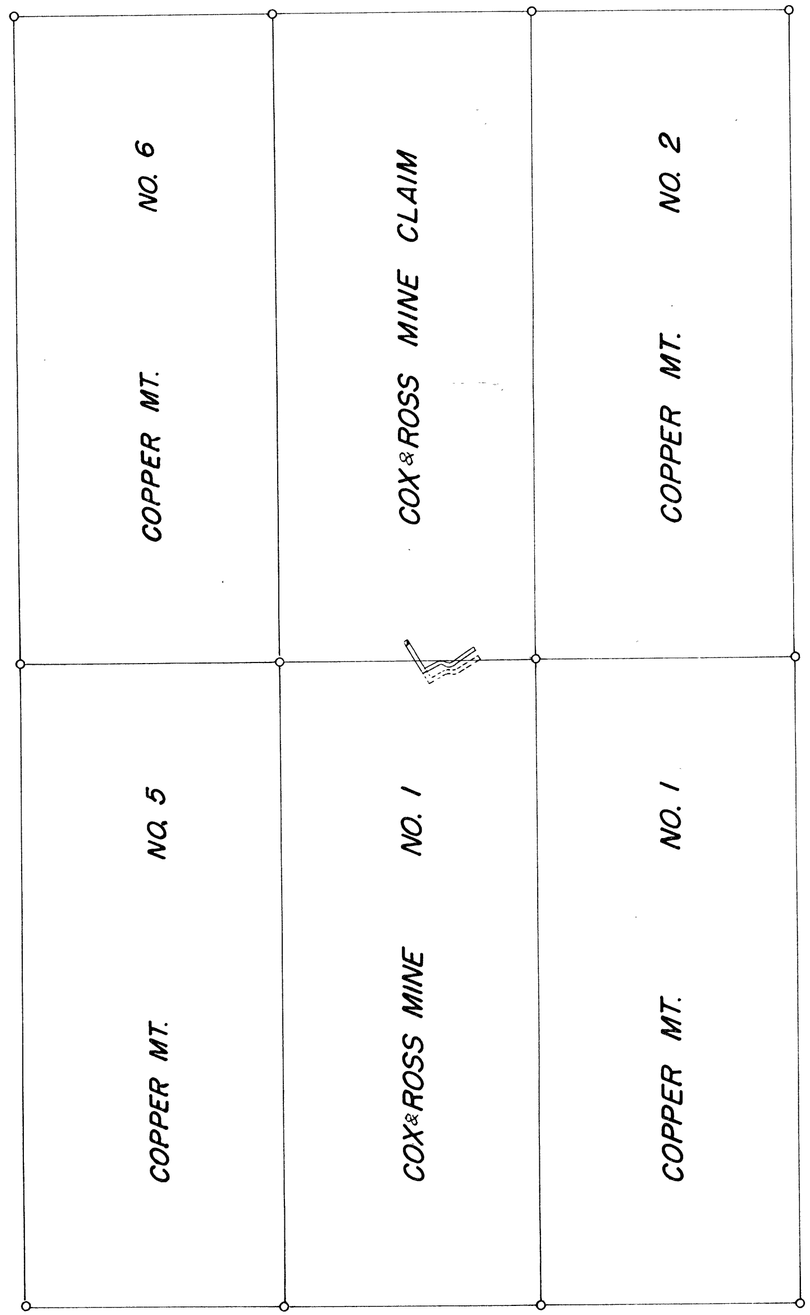

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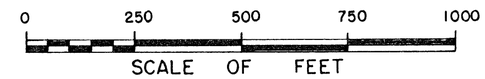

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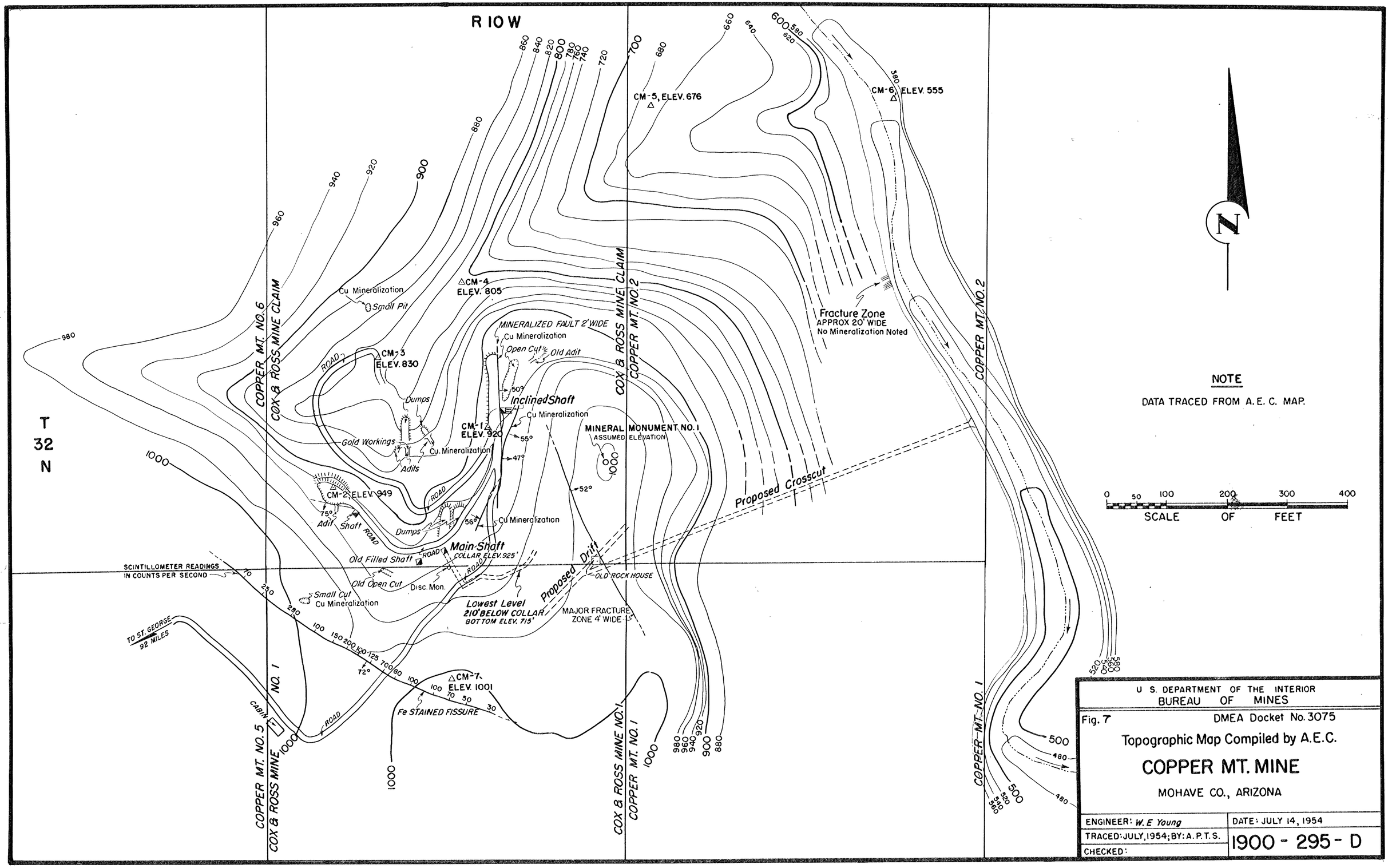
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Main Shaft
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ENGINEER: W. E Young
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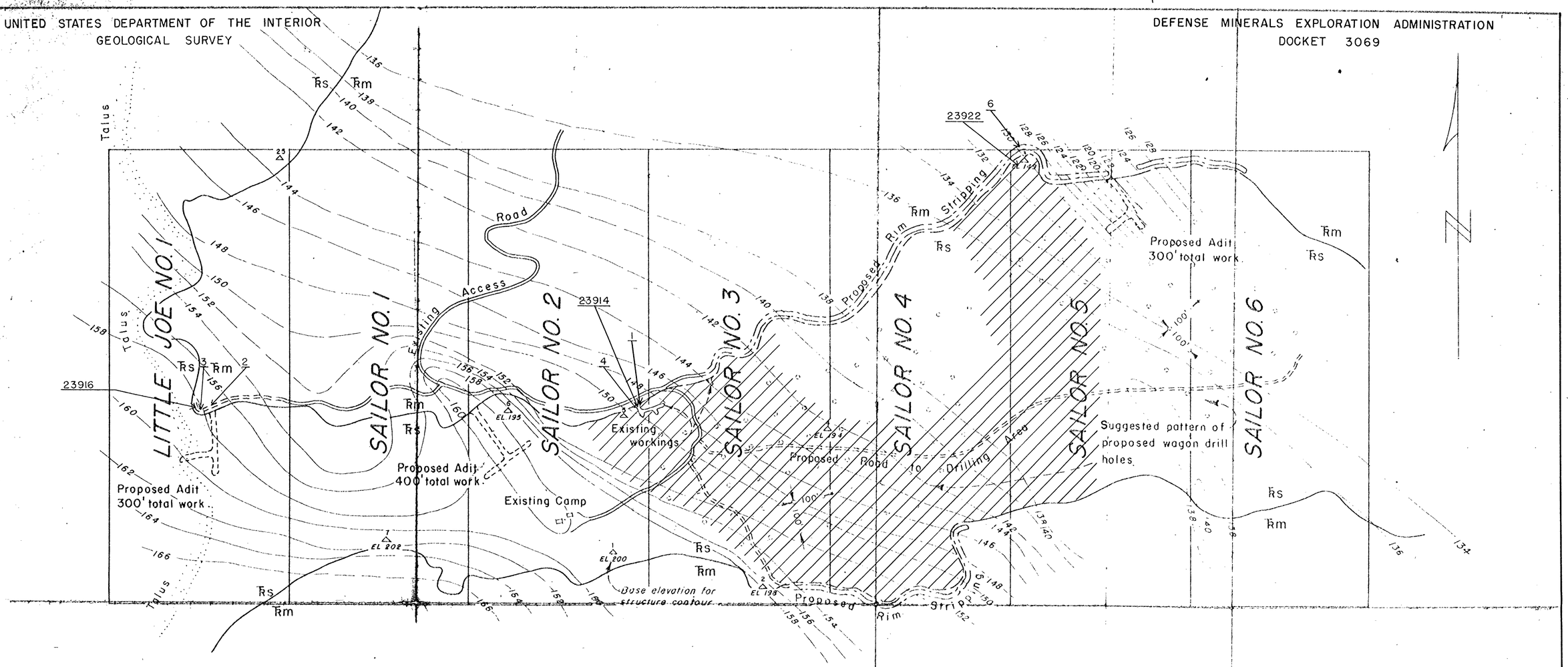

EXPLANATION

- Proposed rim stripping.
- Proposed adits.
- Proposed wagon drill holes.
- Proposed roads to drilling areas and stripping sites.
- Rs / Rm — Shinarump - Moenkopi contact; dashed where covered.
- EL 200 — A.E.C. plane table station, elevation assumed.
- 158 / 160 — Structure contours at the base of the Shinarump formation.

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Scale: 1 in. = 200 ft.

- 23916 — Approximate location of sample point
- Approximate area drilled by applicant

NOTES

Basic information traced from A.E.C. preliminary map by De Vergie and Standard, March, 1953.

Figure 2. MAP OF GEOLOGY AND PROPOSED EXPLORATION OF THE SAILOR AND LITTLE JOE GROUP OF CLAIMS, MAYFLOWER CO., SAN JUAN COUNTY, UTAH