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Geological Survey

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- [ ] Royalty Agreement

The records contained in this file are marked (x) and arranged in this order:

Folder No. 1:

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- [ ] Royalty Audits
- [ ] Certification of Discovery
- [ ] Closing Letter
- [ ] Cost Audits
- [ ] Termination Notice or Agreement
- [ ] Recision Notice
- [ ] Assignment of Contract
- [ ] Contract Amendments
- [ ] Contract with all exhibits and annexes
- [ ] Owner's Consent to Lien and Subordination Agreement
- [x] Application and Attachments

Right Side

- [ ] Project Summary (final)
- [ ] Work Completed Analysis (final)

All other material filed in chronological order including the following reports if checked:

- [ ] Field Team Semiannual Report for Certified Project
- [ ] Final Field Team Report (Tab)
- [ ] Operator's Final Report (Tab)
- [ ] Interim Field Team Reports
- [ ] Operator's monthly reports and all attachments
- [x] On-site Exam. Report (Tab) 11/18/68
- [ ] Settlement Sheets
- [ ] Drill Logs

Additional Folders:

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- [ ] Analysis of Semiannual Inspection Reports
- [ ] Project Summary (Interim) by MME Engineers

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- [ ] Field Team Semiannual Report for Certified Project
- [ ] Field Team Interim Reports
- [ ] Operator's Monthly Reports with Transmittal, Narrative and Maps

Folders No._____: Maps (Use pocket folder or envelope)

Folders No._____: Settlement Sheets

Folders No._____: Drill Logs

Folders No._____: Royalty Material

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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
OFFICE OF MINERALS EXPLORATION
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
U. S. Court House, Rm. 656
W. 920 Riverside Avenue
Spokane, Washington 99201
September 20, 1968

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Memorandum

To: Chief, Office of Minerals Exploration

From: Field Officer, Region I

Subject: Transmittal of New Application (Gold)
Polk, Roscoe M. and Ruth
Siskron Mines
Josephine County, Oregon

The enclosed copy of an OME application appears to be complete with two exceptions. Copies of the applicants' letters to the banks and bids from independent contractors for the proposed bulldozing, drifting, and drilling are missing.

Treasher's report published in Oregon Metals Mine Handbook, Bulletin 14-C, 1942, states that the owner of the property at that time was H. W. Finch. It might be well to request clarification of how the property passed from Finch to the applicants who say they are now the owners.

D. R. MacLaren

D. R. MacLaren

Enclosures

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UNITED STATES
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APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IN MINERALS EXPLORATION

Pursuant to Public Law 85-701 (72 Stat. 700; 30 U.S.C. 641)

NAME OF APPLICANT *(Full legal name and mailing address as they should appear on contract if one is executed.)*

ROSCOE M. POLK and RUTH POLK

18 Eastern Street in Road

Grants Pass, Oregon

97526

APPLICANT DO NOT USE THIS BLOCK

DOCKET NUMBER 6754

DATE RECEIVED 9-23-68

REGION IX

DIVISION CODE

BUSINESS ORGANIZATION *(Check one)*

INDIVIDUAL	X
CORPORATION	
PARTNERSHIP	
OTHER *(Specify)*	

STATE IN WHICH FIRM IS ORGANIZED

LIST CORPORATE OFFICERS OR PARTNERS HERE, IF APPLICABLE

NAME	ADDRESS	TITLE
ROSCOE M. POLK)		
)	----------	Owners
RUTH POLK)		

18 Eastern Street in Road
Grants Pass, Oregon

Telephone No. Area Code 503 476-3017

MINERAL(S) FOR WHICH YOU WISH TO EXPLORE: Gold

ESTIMATED COST OF PROJECT: $ 66,650.00

PROPERTY NAME	LOCATION COUNTY	STATE
Siskron Mines	Josephine	Oregon

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Before filling out this application, please read the *OME Regulations for Obtaining Federal Assistance in Financing Explorations for Mineral Reserves* (30 CFR Chap. III). To assure prompt action, your application must provide all applicable material and information specified on the back of this application form. Avoid unnecessary correspondence and delays by submitting complete and accurate information. *Please submit two copies of this application and all accompanying papers* except as otherwise noted. Place your name and address on each sheet. Each item of information, maps, and reports required as a part of this application is described on the back of this form. Identify each attached statement by the item number to which it applies. If an item does not apply to your application, show the item number on your statement and after it write "not applicable." Maps or sketches should be used to supplement narrative descriptions of the property location and boundaries in item 2, existing mine workings and geology in item 3, and the proposed exploration work in item 5. When this information is not too complex, all of it may be shown on one map or sketch. All documents and other attachments submitted as a part of this application, except those in item 3(g) which you mark to be returned, become the property of the Government and will not be returned to the applicant. Send true copies, *not originals*, of leases, contracts, and other documents which are an essential part of your business records. *File this application with the Office of Minerals Exploration, Department of the Interior,* ~~Washington 25, D. C., or with the nearest OME Field Office.~~ Washington, D. C., 20242, or with the nearest OME Field Office.

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, and that he would not ordinarily undertake the proposed exploration under current conditions and circumstances at his sole expense.

Sept 18 1968
DATED

Roscoe M Polk
BY *(Signature)*

owner
TITLE

A wilfully false statement or certification to any Department or Agency of the United States Government is a criminal offense. U. S. Code, Title 18, Sec. 1001.

INFORMATION REQUIRED WITH THIS APPLICATION

1. Financial Eligibility:

(a) Submit evidence of efforts made within 90 days preceding the filing of this application to obtain credit from your bank of account and at least one other banking institution or other private source of credit. Such evidence shall include true copies of correspondence which show: (1) date of loan request, (2) amount and terms requested, (3) proposed use of loan funds, and (4) the replies from credit sources. If the loan was offered under terms which you consider unreasonable, state why you consider them so.

(b) List names and addresses of affiliated, parent, or controlling companies or organizations and state extent and nature of their interest.

(c) State how you propose to furnish your share of the cost of the exploration work.

2. Applicant's Rights in Land:

(a) State your interest in the land and mineral rights, whether owner, lessee, purchaser under contract, or other. If you are not the owner, submit one true copy of the lease, contract, or other document (with address of owner) under which you control the property. Describe all liens, mortgages, or other encumbrances on the land and state book and page number and official place where recorded.

(b) State the legal description (section, township, and range; metes and bounds; patent number of claims) of the land upon which you wish to explore and all adjacent land which you own or control. Describe any part of the land or workings which should not be subject to Government royalty and liens. If the land consists of unpatented claims, state book and page number for each recorded location notice, including amended locations, and official place where recorded. State all the names by which you know the property.

(c) For all land or mineral rights encumbered or not owned, submit five copies of Lien and Subordination Agreements on MME Form 52. If the agreements cannot be obtained, state reasons and provide copies of letters of refusal.

3. Physical Description:

(a) Describe in detail and illustrate with maps or sketches all mining or exploration operations which you know have been or are being conducted upon the land. Include existing mine workings and all production facilities.

(b) State your interest, if any, in operations described in (a).

(c) State, if you know, the past and current production, supporting your statement with copies of settlement sheets, mine records, or published data if available.

(d) Describe known ore reserves, giving quantities and grades and sampling methods used. Support your statement with copies of assay certificates and assay maps if available.

(e) Describe by narrative and maps or sketches the geologic features of the property, including ore minerals, geologic formations if known, and type of deposit (vein, bedded, etc.).

(f) State your reasons for expecting to find ore, and if you have sampled the area you propose to explore, show where the samples were taken, describe sampling methods used, and provide copies of assay certificates.

(g) Send with your application at least *two* copies of all geologic or engineering reports, assay maps, or technologic information which you have, indicating whether you require their return.

4. Accessibility of Property:

(a) To aid the OME representative who may examine the property, state name and address of person who will meet him; give directions for reaching the property; and describe accessibility of property and of any mine workings.

(b) Name the shipping and supply points and state the distances to the property.

5. Exploration Work:

(a) Describe fully the proposed exploration work giving individual footages and sizes of openings *for each item of work.* Use narrative, maps, plans, and sections as necessary. Show location of the proposed work as related to geologic features such as veins, ore-bearing beds, contacts of rock formations, etc. Show also the relation of the proposed work to any existing mine workings and to *land boundaries* or to the closest identifiable corner.

(b) If an access road must be built, show the proposed location on the property map and state the length, type and construction methods proposed.

(c) If an OME contract is executed, state how soon thereafter work would be started and finished. State your anticipated average daily or monthly rate of progress for each type of work.

6. Experience:

State your operating experience and background to conduct this exploration work and also that of the person who will supervise the work.

7. Estimate of Costs:

Furnish detailed estimates of the necessary costs *for each item of the work proposed in 5(a)* under the headings listed below with a total for each heading and the estimated total cost of the work. Costs for any work to be performed by an independent contractor should be listed separately under category (a) below. Costs for any work that is not to be performed by an independent contractor should be listed under categories (b) through (g).

(a) Independent contracts. State the total cost of any proposed independent contract for all or any part of the work, and the number of units and the unit cost for each type of work, such as per foot of drilling, per foot of drifting, per hour of bulldozer operations, or per cubic yard of material moved. Cost estimates should be supported by bids from three contractors if possible. (*Note*—If none of the work is to be contracted, write "none" after this item.)

(b) Personal services. The cost of supervision, engineering and geological services, outside consultants, and labor should be itemized by numbers and classes of employees; rates of wages, salaries or fees; and periods of employment. State whether these services are available.

(c) Operating materials and supplies. List items of material and supplies giving quantity and cost of each. Include under this heading power, water, and fuel, and units of equipment and tools costing less than $50 each.

(d) Operating equipment. List items of equipment and tools costing $50 or more per unit. Give specifications and indicate how each item is to be acquired—i.e., rented, purchased or provided by the applicant. If rented or purchased, state the estimated rental or purchase price. If furnished by the applicant, state condition and present fair market value.

(e) Initial rehabilitation and repairs. Describe the type and the cost of *initial* rehabilitation or repair of existing buildings, fixtures, installations (exclusive of mine workings), and movable operating equipment now owned by the applicant which will be used in the exploration work.

(f) New buildings, fixtures, installations. Describe each building, fixed improvement, and installation to be purchased, constructed, or installed for the exploration work, stating specifications and cost including labor, materials, and supervision.

(g) Miscellaneous. Describe the type and estimate the cost of repairs and maintenance of the operating equipment listed in 7(d). Do not repeat initial repairs listed in 7(e). Show also the costs of analytical work, accounting, workmen's compensation and employees' liability insurance, payroll taxes, and other required costs that do not fall within the previous categories. [*Note*—The Government will not contribute to costs incurred before the date of the contract, or to costs of or incident to: (1) acquiring, using, or possessing land and any existing improvements, facilities, buildings, installations, and appurtenances, or the depreciation and depletion thereof; (2) general overhead, corporate management, interest and taxes (other than payroll and sales taxes); (3) insurance (other than employees' liability insurance); and (4) damages to persons or property (other than authorized repair to or replacement of equipment or other property used in the work).]

INT.-DUP. SEC., WASH., D.C

To

Siskron Group Mine
Roscoe M. Polk
12 Eastern Ave.
Grants Pass, Oregon

Trenching and Road Building

Cat used - D 8 or equivalent
Operator and Workmans Compensation, etc.
1000 hours at $30.00 per hour
Total cost $30,000.00

William F. Ford

William F. Ford, Partner
Ford Bros Logging Co.
1031 S. E. Clarey Ave.
Grants Pass, Oregon 97526

To

Siskron Group Mine
Roscoe M. Bolk
18 Eastern Ave.
Grants Pass, Oregon

Trenching and Road Building

Cat used - D 8 or equivalent
Operator and Workmans Compensation, etc.
1000 hours at 27.50 per hour
Total cost $27,500.00

John E White
1434 N 1st Hawthorne
Grants Pass, Oregon

To

Siskron Group Mine
Roscoe N. Polk
12 Eastern Ave.
Grants Pass, Oregon

Trenching and Road Building

Cat used - R C or equivalent
Operator and Workmans Compensation, etc.
1000 hours at 25.00 per hour
Total cost 25,000.00

Ken L Polk
Caves Highway
Cave Junction Oregon

To

Siskron Group Mine
Roscoe M. Polk
18 Eastern Ave.
Grants Pass, Oregon

Bid

Drifting 500 foot tunnel 5' X 7' in accordance with mining code and regulations and Oregon Workman Compensation
per foot 55.00
500 foot total cost 27500.00

John E White
1434 NW Hawthorne
Grants Pass oregon

To

Siskron Group Mine
Roscoe M. Polk
18 Eastern Ave.
Grants Pass, Oregon

Bid

Drifting 500 foot tunnel 5' X 7' in accordance
with mining code and regulations and Oregon
Workman Compensation
per foot 50.00
500 foot total cost $25,000.00

Robert O. Shannon
249 EWE CREEK RD,
GRANTS PASS ORE,
479-6555

To

Sierra Group Mine
Rocco H. Polk
13 Eastern Ave.
Grants Pass, Oregon

Bid

Drifting 500 foot tunnel 5' X 7' in accordance with mining code and regulations and Oregon Workmen Compensation
per foot 50.00
500 foot total cost 25,000.00

Kein L Polk
Cave Highway
Cave Junction Oregon

To

Siskron Mine Group
18 Eastern Ave.
Grants Pass, Oregon

Attention: Roscoe M. Polk

Bid proposal on 4,400 feet A.X. Core Holes at Siskiron Mine Group in Josephine County.

0 to 200 Ft. - - - 6.50 per foot.
200 to 300 Ft - - 7.50 per foot.
300 to 400 Dt - - 8.50 per foot.

$11,600
200
$11,800

MOBILIZATION	$100.00
DEMOBILIZATION	100.00

All access roads and drill sites to be provided by Siskiron Mine Group.

Adequate water to be available within a reasonable pumping distance of drill sites.

Contractor (ROBERT SHANNON) will have necessary Liability Insurance and Workman's Compensation to cover all drilling operations.

Robert O. Shannon
249 Ewe Creek Road
Grants Pass, Oregon
97526

To

Siskron Group Mine

Roscoe M. Polk
Grants Pass, Oregon

Bid

Core drilling
4 holes - 400 feet
per foot cost 8.50
1600 foot total cost $13,600.00

Thirteen Thousand and Six Hundred Dollars.

MOBILIZATION	$150.00	
DEMOBILIZATION	150.00	
TOTAL - -		$13,900.00

B. William George
11259 Lower River Road
Grants Pass, Oregon 97526

To

Siskron Group Mine

Roscoe H. Polk
18 Eastern Ave.
Grants Pass, Oregon

Bid

Core drilling
4 holes - 400 feet
per foot cost 9.00
1600 foot total cost 14,400.00

John E. White
1434 N.W. Hawthorne
Grants Pass Oregon

Roscoe M and Ruth Polk
18 Eastern Street
Grants Pass, Oregon 97526
September 17, 1968

First National Bank
Grants Pass Branch
Grants Pass, Oregon 97526

Gentlemen:

I hereby make application for a loan of $49,987.50 to be used for mineral exploration on the Siskron Group claims, which are own by us.

Inclosed is the history of the property and geological data that indicate the possibilities of a mineral lode that could be a profitable mining operations.

It is hereby requiested that this loan request be granted. The principal sum plus interest willbe paid out of the proceeds from the minerals sold from the operations of the mine, at the rate of 5% of the gross revenue.

If the policy of your bank is such as to preclude participation in this operation, your referral of this request to any parties who might favorable consider this venture would be appreciated.

Sincerely,

Roscoe M Polk

Roscoe M. Polk

Roscoe M and Ruth Polk
18 Eastern Street
Grants Pass, Oregon 97526
September 17, 1968

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Grants Pass, Oregon 97526

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Sincerely,

Roscoe M Polk

Roscoe M. Polk

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Location Certificate - Lode Claim

STATE OF OREGON,
County of Josephine } ss.

Know All Men by These Presents, That Roscoe M. and Ruth Folk

the undersigned, a citizen of the United States, or who has declared his intention to become such ha this second day of May, 1962, located and claimed, and by these presents do locate and claim by right of discovery and location, in compliance with the mining acts of Congress, approved May 10, 1872, and all subsequent acts, and with local customs, laws and regulations 1500 linear feet and horizontal measurement on the New Years Lode lode, vein, ledge, or deposit along the vein thereof, with all its dips, angles and variations, as allowed by law, together with 300 feet on the east side and 300 feet on west side of the middle of said vein at the surface, so far as can be determined from present developments; and all veins, lodes, ledges, or deposits and the surface ground within the lines of said claim 200 feet running N. 10° E from the center of discovery cut and 1240 feet running S. 10° W. from the center of discovery cut; said discovery cut being situated upon said lode, vein, ledge, or deposit, and within the lines of said claim, in Waldo (Sucker Creek) Mining District, County of Josephine State of Oregon, described by metes and bounds as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at Corner No. 1. which is the northwest corner located 440 [illegible] common to sections [illegible] 11, and 12, T. 40 S, [illegible], then 300 feet S 50° E to the north center [illegible], then 300 feet S 80° E to corner #2 which is the northeast corner, then 1500 feet S10° W to corner #3 which is the Southeast corner, then 300 feet N 80° W to the south center end, then 300 feet [illegible] 10° W to corner #4 which is the southwest corner, then 1500 feet N 10° E to corner #1 which is the northwest corner [illegible] point of beginning.
The southeast side line is [illegible] with portions of the January 1st lode [illegible] claims of the [illegible] Siskron Group.
This description reestablishes the original location as by R. G. or May Siskron in 1905 in accordance with the plat of claims on file as Rainbow (Siskron Group) in State Mining office, Grants Pass, Ore.

Said lode was discovered Roscoe M. Folk

Date of location

Locator.

STATE OF OREGON,
County of ..... } ss.

I, ... of .....

being duly sworn, depose and say that I have.....

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as required by Section 3 of the Act of 1901, known as H. B. No. 1.

Roscoe M Polk Locator

..... Laborer

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2nd day of May 19 62

Miss Thomas
Notary Public for Oregon.

My Commission Expires Mar 8 1966

Notice of Location

Quartz

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Location Certificate - Lode Claim

STATE OF OREGON,
County of ..Josephine..... } ss.

Amended

Know All Men by These Presents, That .Roscoe M. & Ruth Polk.....

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the undersigned, a citizen of the United States, or who has declared his intention to become such ha this .....second..... day of ...may, 1962....., located and claimed, and by these presents do locate and claim by right of discovery and location, in compliance with the mining acts of Congress, approved May 10, 1872, and all subsequent acts, and with local customs, laws and regulations .....524..... linear feet and horizontal measurement on the .....[illegible]..... lode, vein, ledge, or deposit along the vein thereof, with all its dips, angles and variations, as allowed by law, together with .....300..... feet on the .....[illegible]..... feet on ...North..... side of the middle of said vein at the surface, so far as can be determined from present developments; and all veins, lodes, ledges, or deposits and the surface ground within the lines of said claim....150..... feet on each side of the ..... from the center of discovery ...[illegible]..... and ..... from the center of discovery .....[illegible]..... said lode, vein, ledge, or deposit, and all the [illegible] located upon (Sucker Creek) Mining District, County of [illegible] by metes and bounds as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at Corner No. 1. [illegible]

more or less South [illegible]
sections 1, 2, 11, 12 [illegible]
to the west center [illegible]
is the northwest corner, [illegible]
is the northeast corner, [illegible]
End, then 300 feet S. [illegible]
corner, then 524 feet [illegible]

The Expectation [illegible]
Milling Lode claims of the [illegible]
This description [illegible]
or May Siskron in 1935 [illegible]
as Rainbow (Siskron Group) [illegible]

office, Grants Pass, Oregon

Roscoe M. Polk

Said lode was discovered .....

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Date of location .....

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STATE OF OREGON,
County of ..... } ss.

I, ... of .....

being duly sworn, depose and say that I have.....

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as required by Section 3 of the Act of 1901, known as H. B. No. 1.

Kiesse M Tetz ..... Locator

..... Laborer

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 3rd day of May 1962

Alice Thomas
Notary Public for Oregon.

My Commission Expires March 2, 1964

Notice of Location

Quartz

The .....

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Quartz Mining Claim

State of Oregon, County of Josephine, ss. 22334
I, Ben W. Coutant, County Clerk and ex-officio Recorder of Conveyances in and for said County, do hereby certify that the within instrument was received for record at

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and Recorded at Page 80-81 of Vol. 68 36 MINING

Recorder of Josephine County, Oregon.
BEN W. COUTANT Co. Clerk
By Mae Spaulding Deputy
Fee $2.50

DIAGRAM OF CLAIM

End Center

CORNER NO. 2 CORNER NO. 3

LOCATION

750 FEET

CORNER NO. 1 CORNER NO. 4

End Center

Within thirty days after posting notice the boundaries must be marked by substantial posts, projecting not less than three feet above the surface of the ground and not less than four inches square at the top, or by substantial mounds of stone four feet in diameter or by substantial posts at least two feet in height at each corner and at the center ends of such claim.

The location notice must be filed with the county recorder and county clerk within sixty days after the date of posting the same upon the claim. Attached to the notice must be an affidavit showing that the work required to be done by the Oregon law has been performed. The fee for recording is $2.50

Sec. 3. Before the expiration of 60 days from the date of posting the said notice of discovery upon his claim, and before recording the said notice of location, the locator must sink a discovery shaft upon the claim located to a depth of at least ten feet from the lowest part of the rim of such shaft at the surface, or deeper if necessary to reach the place. A cut, or cross-cut or tunnel which cuts the lode at a depth of ten feet, or an open cut at least six feet deep, four feet wide, and ten feet in length along the lode from the point where the same may be in any manner discovered, is equivalent to such discovery shaft. Such work shall not be deemed a part of the assessment work required by the Revised Statutes of the United States.

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Location Certificate - Lode Claim

STATE OF OREGON, }
County of .....Josephine..... } ss.

Amended

Know All Men by These Presents, That ....Roscoe M. and Ruth Polk.....

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the undersigned, a citizen of the United States, or who has declared his intention to become such ha this ....second..... day of .....May....1962....., located and claimed, and by these presents do locate and claim by right of discovery and location, in compliance with the mining acts of Congress, approved May 10, 1872, and all subsequent acts, and with local customs, laws and regulations ....1500..... linear feet and horizontal measurement on the ..... [illegible] ..... lode, vein, ledge, or deposit along the vein thereof, with all its dips, angles and variations, as allowed by law, together with ...300..... feet on [illegible] the end ....300..... feet on ..West..... side of the middle of said vein at the surface, [illegible] as can be determined from present developments; and all veins, lodes, ledges [illegible] and the surface ground within the lines of said claim.....West..... [illegible] ..... from the center of discovery .....cut..... and [illegible] ..... from the center of discovery .....cut..... [illegible] ..... being situated upon said lode, vein, ledge, or deposit [illegible] ..... 3.140 .....
(Sucker Creek) Mining District, County of [illegible] State of Oregon, described by metes and bounds as follows, [illegible]

Beginning at Corner No. [illegible] to Cor. No.
From the quarter corner bet[illegible]
then 1500 feet S. 10° W. [illegible]
then 300 feet N. 80° W. to [illegible] 80° W.
to corner #3, which is the [illegible] 10° W. to corn.
or #4, which is the nor[illegible] to the north
center end, then 300 feet S. [illegible] the point of
beginning.
This discription reestablished the [illegible] Co. or Ray
Siskron in 1905 in accordance with [illegible] Milo [illegible]
(Siskron Group) in State Department of [illegible] Salem, Oregon 1900,
Oregon

Said lode was discovered ..... Roscoe M. Polk
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Date of location .....
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Locator.

STATE OF OREGON,
County of ..... } ss.

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being duly sworn, depose and say that I have.....

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Rose M Belk ..... Locator

..... Laborer

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1st day of May 19 63

Wm. Newman
Notary Public for Oregon.

My Commission Expires March 5, 1966

Notice of Location

Quartz

Name of Claim

Date

Mining District

Recorded at the request of
BEN W. COUNTANT
at 8:00 o'clock A.M. May 1, 1963
in Book 84-95 of Vol. 68
Fee $3.00

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Location Certificate - Lode Claim

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County of Josephine } ss.

Know All Men by These Presents, That Roscoe L. And Ruth Folk

the undersigned, a citizen of the United States, or who has declared his intention to become such ha this second day of May, 1962, located and claimed, and by these presents do locate and claim by right of discovery and location, in compliance with the mining acts of Congress, approved May 10, 1872, and all subsequent acts, and with local customs, laws and regulations 1500 linear feet and horizontal measurement on the Lilling Lode lode, vein, ledge, or deposit along the vein thereof, with all its dips, angles and variations, as allowed by law, together with 300 feet on the north side and 300 feet on South side of the middle of said vein at the surface, so far as can be determined from present developments; and all veins, lodes, ledges, or deposits and the surface ground within the lines of said claim 400 feet running N. 60° W. from the center of discovery tunnel and 1100 feet running S. 60° E. from the center of discovery tunnel; said discovery tunnel being situated upon said lode, vein, ledge, or deposit, and within the lines of said claim, in Waldo (Sucker Creek) Mining District, County of Josephine State of Oregon, described by metes and bounds as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at Corner No. 1. which is the northeast corner and is 100 feet more or less due south west of the quarter section corner common to sections 1 and 12, T. 40 S., R 7 W, then300 feet S 10° W to the east center end, then 300 feet S. 10° W to corner #2 which is the southeast corner then 1500 feet N 80° W to corner #3, which is a common corner to corner #4 on the January 1st claim of this the Siskron Group, then 300 feet N. 10° E to the west center end, then 300 feet N 10° E to corner #4 which isthe northwest corner, then 1500 feet S 80° E to corner #1 which is the northeast corner and the point of beginning.
This description reestablishes the original location as by H. G. or Lay Siskron in 1905 in accordance with plat of claims in file as Rainbow (Siskron Group) in State Geology office in Grants Pass, Ore.

Said lode was discovered Roscoe Folk

Date of location

Locator.

STATE OF OREGON,
County of ..... } ss.

I, ... of .....

being duly sworn, depose and say that I have.....

.....

.....

as required by Section 3 of the Act of 1901, known as H. B. No. 1.

Locator

..... Laborer

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 3rd day of May 19 62

Notary Public for Oregon.

My Commission Expires

Notice of Location
Quartz

The .....

.....

.....

Quartz Mining Claim

State of Oregon, County of Josephine, ss. I hereby certify that the within instrument was received for record at 2:32 P.M. and Recorded in Book M-78-79 of Mining Records of Josephine County, Oregon. REN W. SMITH, Co. Clerk By ..., Deputy

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DIAGRAM OF CLAIM

End Center

LOCATION 750 FEET

End Center

Within thirty days after posting notice the boundaries must be marked by six substantial posts, projecting not less than three feet above the surface of the ground, and not more than four feet in height, at each corner and at the center ends of such claim.

The location notice must be filed with the county recorder or county clerk within ninety days after posting the same upon the claim. Attached to the notice must be an affidavit showing that the work required to be done by the Oregon law has been performed. The fee for recording is $2.50

Sec. 3. Before the expiration of 60 days from the date of posting the said notice of discovery upon his claim aforesaid, and before the recovery of notice of location, the claim located to a depth of at least fifty feet upon the lowest part of the vein of such claim, or deeper if necessary to show a fissure at the surface, or deeper if necessary to show by such work a lode or vein of mineral of a size in place. A cut, or cross-cut or tunnel, which cuts the lode at a depth of ten feet, or an open cut at least six feet deep, four feet wide and ten feet in length along the lode from the point where the same may be in any manner discovered, is equivalent to a sinking of a part of the first ten feet required by the Revised Statutes of the United States.

OREGON,)
Josephine,) ss.

I, A. Donley Barnes, County Clerk and ex-officio Clerk of the County Court of County and State, do hereby certify that I have carefully compared the foregoing copies of

Location Notices: Vol. 68, page 80,-81, 82, 83, 84,-85, 78,-79

Mining Conveyance, Vol. 16, page 233;

with the originals, and that they are true and correct copies thereof and of the whole thereof as the same appear on file and of record in my office and in my custody.

Witness my hand and seal of said Court affixed Oct. 7, 1968.

A. DONLEY BARNES
Clerk

By A. Donley Barnes
Deputy

FORM No. 701—QUITCLAIM DEED. (Revised 1958)

224658

070 STEVENS-NESS LAW PUB. CO., PORTLAND, ORE.

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KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That ORA O. KESSLER, an unmarried man,

in consideration of $10.00 and other good and valuable consideration *Dollars,*

to him *paid by* R. M. POLK AND RUTH POLK, husband and wife, or to the survivor of either

does hereby remise, release and forever QUITCLAIM unto the said R. M. POLK AND RUTH POLK, husband and wife, or to the survivor of either *and unto* their *heirs and assigns all* his *right, title and interest in and to the following described real property, with the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances, situated in the County of* Josephine, *State of Oregon, bounded and described as follows, to-wit:* BEING that certain Mining Claim known as:

Rainbow Mine: Beginning at Corner No. 1, which is the Southeast corner; thence 1500 feet Northerly to corner No.2; thence 300 feet Westerly to North end center No. 3; thence 300 feet Westerly to corner No. 4; thence 1500 feet Southerly to corner No. 5; thence 300 feet Easterly to South end center; thence 300 feet Easterly to corner No. 1 the point of beginning.

Situated in the Northwest Quarter of Section 12, Township 40 South, Range 7 West of the Willamette Meridian on the West side of Sucker Creek about 15 miles Southeast of Cave Junction and about one mile South of the Boswell Mine; the Northwest corner of said claim being 819 feet East and 374 feet South of the Northwest corner of said Section 12, and being that claim shown by location notice recorded at page 400 in Volume 61 of the Mining Records in the Clerks office of said County, and amended location notice of even date herewith.

To Have and to Hold the same unto the said R. M. and RUTH POLK, husband and wife, or survivor, *heir heirs and assigns forever.*

Witness my hand and seal this 21st *day of* February, *19*61

Ora O. Kessler (SEAL)

(SEAL)

STATE OF OREGON,

County of Josephine } ss.

On this 21st *day of* February, *19*61, *before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared the within named* ORA O. KESSLER, an unmarried man, who is *known to me to be the identical individual described in and who executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same freely and voluntarily.*

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal the day and year last above written.

E. Whitacre

Notary Public for Oregon.

My Commission expires Oct. 26, 1962

NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF OREGON

QUITCLAIM DEED

TO

AFTER RECORDING RETURN TO

R.M. Polk
Wilderville, Or.

Docket No.

STATE OF OREGON,

County of Josephine } ss.

Filed Feb 21 1961 at 2 o'clock P.M.

Recorded in Book of Deeds Vol. 161 on Page 233

Fee $1.50

BEN W. COULTANY, County Clerk

By Elo Lawrence, Deputy

224658

Deputy.

1. FINANCIAL ELEGIBILITY

(a) True copies of correspondence with local banks requesting loans and the banks' action, are enclosed.

(b) There are no affiliated, parent or controlling companies.

(c) The applicant will furnish labor, equipment and money as needed to cover 25% of the cost of the work.

2. APPLICANT'S RIGHTS IN LAND

(a) Applicant is the owner of the land. The following unpatented mining claims comprise the land which is recorded in Josephine County, Oregon.

Expectation Fraction Lode Claim	Vol. 68, Pg. 79
New Years Lode Claim	Vol. 68, Pg. 81
January 1st Lode Claim	Vol. 68, Pg. 83
January 1st Extension Lode Claim	Vol. 68, Pg. 77
Milling Lode Claim	Vol. 68, Pg. 83

(b) The land is located in Secs. 1 & 12 T. 40 S.R. 7W. in Josephine County, Oregon.

The property has been known as the Siskron group, Siskiron mine, Rainbow Mine and January 1st Mine.

Plate 2 shows the claims in relation to Section corners 1 & 12 and the roads and topography.

(c) Not applicable.

3. PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

(a) The mine workings and local geology are described in the Oregon Metal Mines Handbook published by the Oregon State Bureau of Mines and Geology, copies of which are included herein. Plates 1, 2, 3, 4, & 5 show the mine workings, topography, roads and location of the property. The mine is located on the steep east slope of Sucker Creek Canyon.

(b) A small block (80 tons) of high grade ore is being mined from a winze in the Siskron vein immediately below the tunnel level. Drilling is accomplished with a jackhammer and a jackleg when needed. Compressed air is supplied by a 110 cu. ft. gasoline driven compressor.

The Adit is equipped with 12 pound rails. A standard 12 cu. ft. mine car and approximately 300 feet of 1-1/2 inch air line.

(c) Records of past production are shown in the report on the Rainbow Mine by Ray C. Treasher, included herein. Current production is small and consists of mining on a small block of ore below the adit level.

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3. Physical Description (continued)

(c) Records of past production are shown in the report on the Rainbow Mine by Ray C. Treasher, included herein. Current production is small and consists of mining on a small block of ore below the adit level.

(d) There is probably a few hundred tons of ore left in the old workings as indicated on Plate 1. Ore reserves are shown on Plate 1.

(e) The county rock in the vicinity of the mine is massive greenstone of Triassic Age. Numerous joints and fissures occur throughout the mine area, the most important of which are the Siskron type striking approximately N. 20° E. with relately flat dips (35°, an east-west series associated with the Siskron vein and a series of veins striking N. 78° W. dipping steeply 78° to the south.

The greenstone has been altered and mineralized over several quite large areas to soft limonite stained material. These areas occur in the fissures on vein systems probably at intersections with intense jointing or sheeting in the greenstone. They all pan some gold and the one on the New Years Claim is said to have been mined at one time.

There is a series of strong veins striking N. 78° W. and dipping steeply to the south, three of which have been exposed on the Milling Lode Claim. These veins are shown in section and detail on Plate 3. All three show some gold in the pan. The middle vein is the most promising. A sidehill cut in this vein has exposed 3.5 feet of limonite stained quartz typical of the gold quartz of the area. The Siskron Vein and four narrower flat dipping fissures striking N. 86° E. are shown on Plate 5. The fissues at the Adit portal shows strong sheeting and is only partly exposed.

The hanging wall of the Siskron Vein near the Adit intersection is curved to form a branch fissure having an east-west strike and a flat 35° dip north. The ore stoped in this curved intersection is said to have been of higher than average grade. The face of the Siskron Vein drift southwest assayed $1.05 per ton.

(f) The extension of the Siskron Vein northeast and southwest has not been explored. The samples listed on Plate 1 shows the grade of material too low in gold content to be considered ore. The mined out areas of stopes are reported to have produced some very rich pockets of gold ore. In places, these old mine workings are in excess of 10 feet in height. An average width of six feet would be conservative. Approximately 2700 tons are represented in the stope openings with an average value of $59,000.00 at today's $35.00 per oz. for gold or $21.85 per ton.

The middle vein exposed on the Milling Lode Claim has 3.5 feet of quartz on the hanging wall and an unknown width of narrow quartz bands in cleavage planes or sheeting in the vein structure on the footwall.

Mr. Polk states that a former leasee advised him that he had mined and shipped a $3,000.00 pocket of gold ore from the upper surface trench on this vein.

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3. Physical Description (continued)

This is a well defined, strong vein and could possibly develop a considerable tonnage of gold ore.

The large areas of soft weathered limonitic material offer open pit mining possibilities.

(g) Two copies of Plates 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 are enclosed. No return required.

4. ACCESSIBILITY OF PROPERTY

(a) Mr. Roscoe M. Polk, 18 Eastern Street, Grants Pass, Oregon 97526, please give one week's notice before arriving to assure that Mr. Polk will be on hand to accompany representative to the mine. The mine is accessible by passenger car. Location is off of the Oregon Caves Highway at Grayback Creek, you leave the Oregon Caves Highway turning South (a right turn) then following a gravel road and keeping at all times on the left side of Sucker Creek for about 3 miles when you arrive at a log house which is occupied by Roscoe Polk. The Adit level of the mine and part of the drifts and stopes above are accessible. The surface workings are free of snow most of the year.

(b) Cave Junction and Grants Pass is the nearest source of supplies and material. There is a railroad at Grants Pass, Oregon. Smelters are located at Tacoma, Washington and Selby, California.

5. EXPLORATION WORK

(a) The proposed exploration work consists of the following:

1900 feet of dozer trenches
500 feet of drifting on veins
1600 feet of core drilling
300 samples for gold and silver

The trenches, as shown on Plate 3, will have the following lengths:

Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	200 feet each	1000 feet
Nos. 5 to 11 (6)	150 feet each	900 feet
	Total	1900 feet

The dozer trenches will be made with a Catepillar D-8 Dozer or equal. The trenches will be made to a depth necessary to expose the in-place material. The drifts will be 200 feet in length, the width of the dozer blade wide. Samples will be taken at 10 foot intervals in the dozer cuts and 5 foot intervals in the drift. This work is shown on Plate 3.

(b) Four core drillings will be made of 400 feet each as shown on Plate 3.

5. Exploration Work (continued)

(c) 2000 feet of access roads, as shown on Plate 3, will be required. These access roads will be the standard logging road type of the area, approximately 20 feet in width, of dirt construction and made with a dozer. Some clearing of trees and tree stumps will be required.

(d) If an O.M.E. contract is executed, the work will start within 30 days of the contract date and be completed within 12 months.

6. EXPERIENCE

The work will be supervised by Mr. Roscoe M. Polk, owner of the property for the past six years. He has owned his own logging company and has constructed many miles of logging roads. He can personally operate any excavation or mining equipment to be used.

7. ESTIMATE OF COSTS

(a) Independent Contractors:

Estimated dozer time for Catepillar D-8 Dozer or equal not to exceed 1,000 hours at $25.00 an hour, operator furnished.	$25,000.00
500 feet drifting on veins at $51.00 a foot	25,500.00
1600 feet of core drilling at $5.00 a foot	8,000.00
Assaying 300 samples Gold and Silver at $3.00 a sample	900.00

(b) Personal Services:

Supervision - one @ $600.00 per month, 9 months	5,400.00
Office expense - 9 months at $50.00 per month	540.00
Engineering and Geological Services, 10 days (one visit per month) @ $75.00 a day	750.00
Per diem outside consultant 10 days @ $16.00 a day	160.00
Transportation for consultant, 4,000 miles at 10¢ mile	400.00

The Supervisor can keep the records, take samples and perform other minor tasks connected with the work.

Services listed are available in the general area except for engineering and geological Services which will require the consultant to travel about 200 miles each way

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7. ESTIMATE OF COSTS (Continued)

(c). Operating Material and Supplies:

Included in independent contractors 7(a) above.

(d) Operating Equipment:

To be furnished by independent contractors

(e) No initial rehabilitation and repairs needed.

(f) No new buildings, fixtures, and installations needed.

(g) Miscellaneous

All items included in above listings.

TOTAL ESTIMATE OF COSTS $66,650.00

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OREGON

GRANTS PASS BRANCH, 205 N. E. SIXTH STREET, GRANTS PASS, OREGON 97526

September 18, 1968

Roscoe M. and Ruth Polk
18 Eastern Street
Grants Pass, Oregon

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Polk:

We have reviewed your application for financial assistance in minerals exploration, and are unable to loan the $66,650., that is estimated to be the cost of the project.

The project, at this time, is not qualified for bank credit.

Very truly yours,

C. D. Merydith
Assistant Manager

CDM/pm

SEP 20 1968
O. M. E.
SPOKANE, WASH.

UNITED STATES NATIONAL BANK OF OREGON

GRANTS PASS BRANCH
400 S. W. SIXTH STREET
P. O. Box 410, GRANTS PASS, OREGON 97526
HEAD OFFICE — PORTLAND

September 18, 1968

Roscoe M. and Ruth Polk
18 Eastern Street
Grants Pass, Oregon

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Polk:

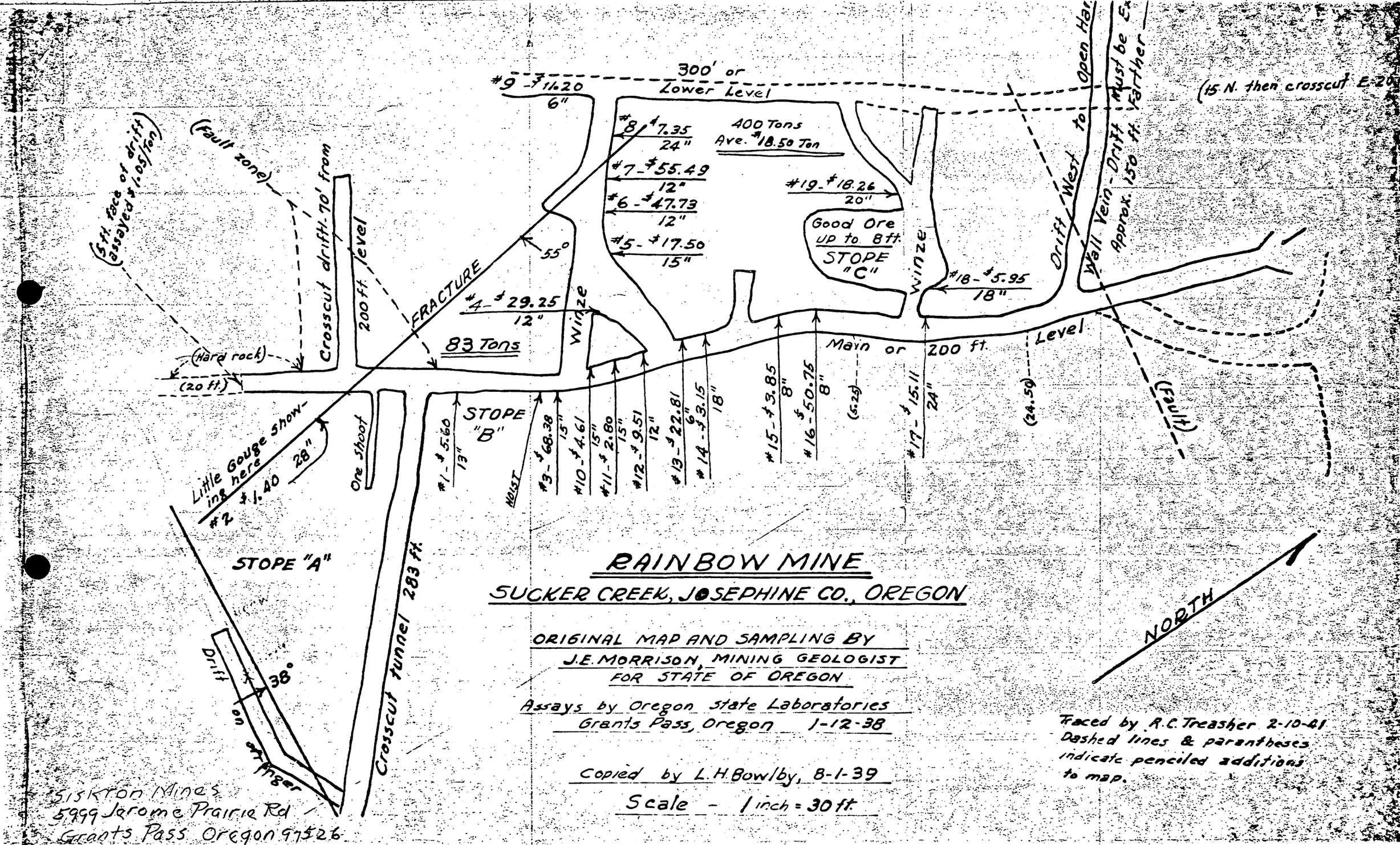
Upon reviewing your application for a loan in the amount of $66,650.00 for the purpose of minerals exploration, this being the cost of the project, we must advise you that this loan does not qualify for bank credit.

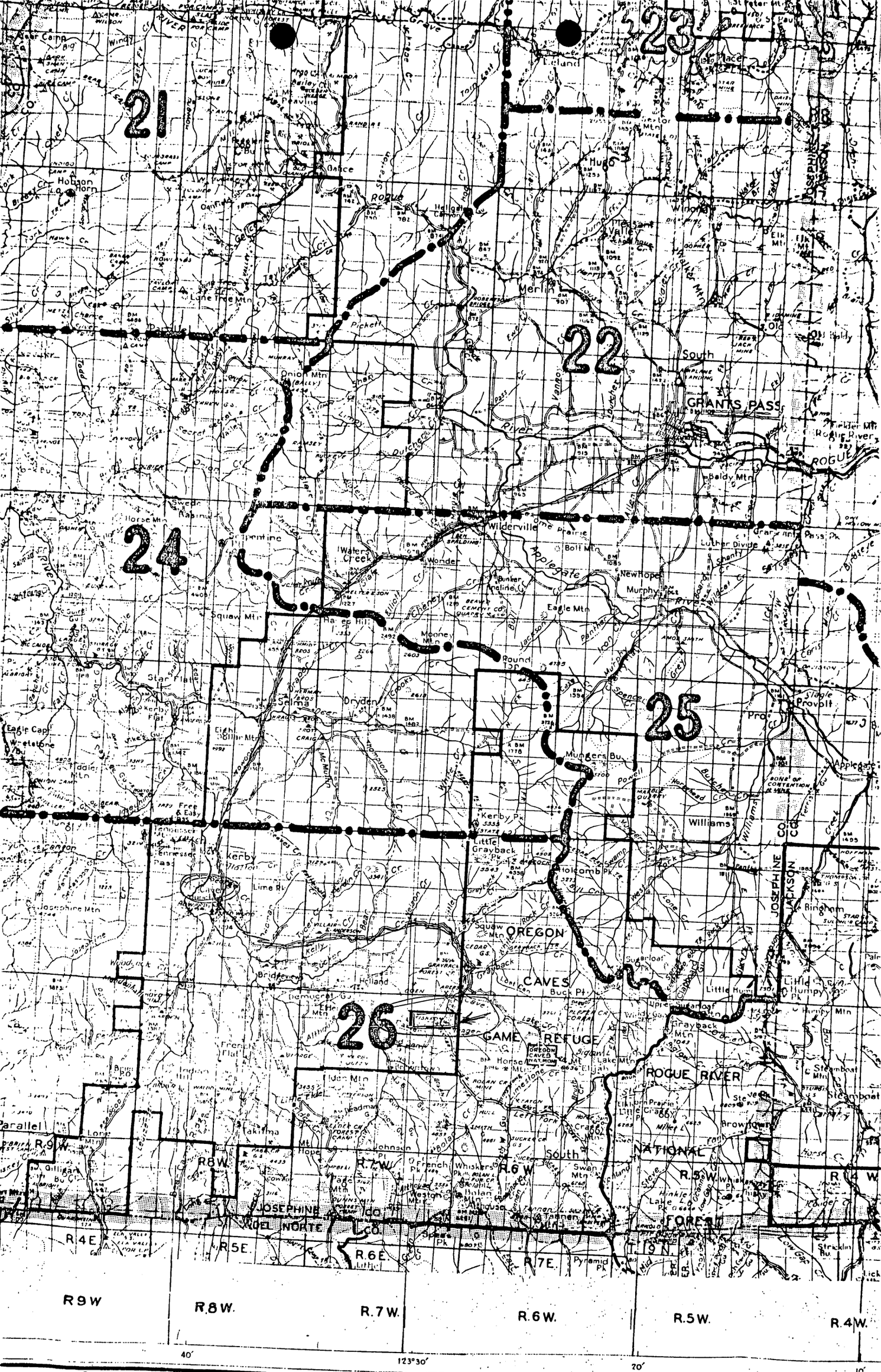
Very truly yours

M. F. Gallagher

MFG:iv

SEP 3 1968
O. M. E.
SPOKANE, WASH.


RAINBOW MINE
SUCKER CREEK, JOSEPHINE CO., OREGON
ORIGINAL MAP AND SAMPLING BY
J.E. MORRISON, MINING GEOLOGIST
FOR STATE OF OREGON
Assays by Oregon State Laboratories
Grants Pass, Oregon 1-12-38
Copied by L.H. Bowlby, 8-1-39
Scale - 1 inch = 30 ft.
Traced by R.C. Treasher 2-10-41
Dashed lines & parantheses indicate penciled additions to map.
NORTH
300' or Lower Level
#9 - $11.20 6"
#8 $7.35 24"
400 Tons Ave. $18.50 Ton
#7 - $55.49 12"
#6 - $47.73 12"
#5 - $17.50 15"
#19 - $18.26 20"
Good Ore up to 8 ft.
STOPE "C"
#18 - $5.95 18"
Winze
Drift West to Open Hanger
Wall Vein - Drift Must be Extended Approx. 150 ft. farther
(15 N. then crosscut E-20)
(5 ft. face of drift assayed $1.05/ton)
(Fault zone)
Crosscut drift 70' from 200 ft. level
FRACTURE
55°
#4 - $29.25 12"
83 Tons
Winze
(Hard rock)
(20 ft.)
Main or 200 ft. Level
STOPE "B"
#1 - $5.60 13"
HOIST
#3 - $68.38 15"
#10 - $4.61 15"
#11 - $2.80 15"
#12 - $9.51 12"
#13 - $22.81 6"
#14 - $3.15 18"
#15 - $3.85 8"
#16 - $50.75 8"
(5.25)
#17 - $15.11 24"
(24.50)
(Hard)
Little Gouge showing here
#2 $1.40 28"
Ore Shoot
STOPE "A"
Crosscut tunnel 283 ft.
Drift on Finger
38°
Siskiyou Mines
5999 Jerome Prairie Rd
Grants Pass Oregon 97526



Siskron Mines
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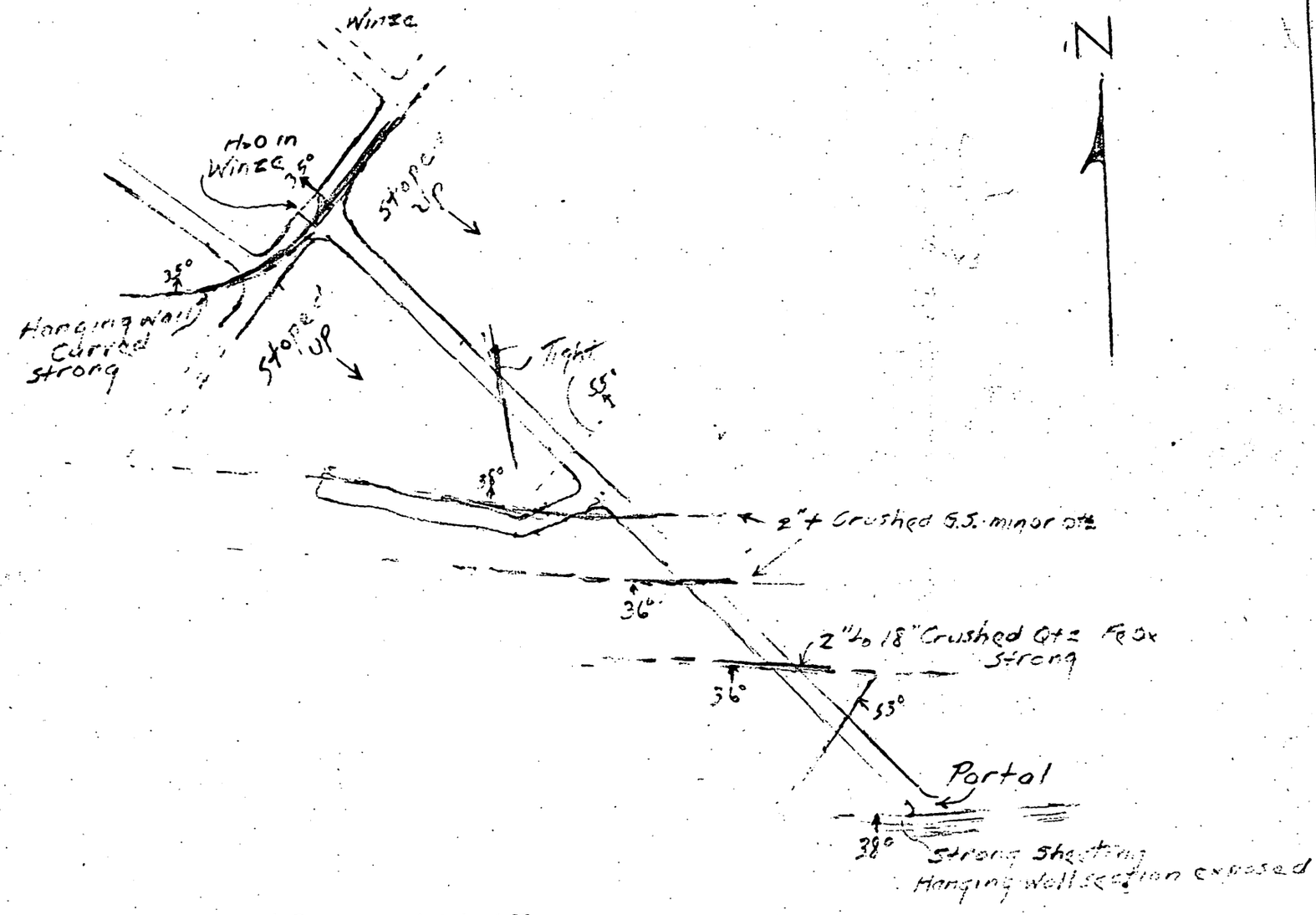
Plate 4



SISKRON MINE
200 Foot Level
Scale 1 inch = 50 ft

Plate 5

Siskron Mines
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Grants Pass Oregon 97526

which see for description."

References: Shenon, 33b: 163-167 (quoted)
Parks and Swartley, 16:72, 146, 184 (quoted).
Diller and Kay, 09:76-78
Diller, 14:81-83

RAINBOW MINE (gold) Waldo area

Formerly known as the Siskron Mine; January First Mine.

Owner: H. W. Finch, 1516 Euclid Ave., Berkeley, California. Operator is Ralph Burr, Cave Junction, Oregon.

Location: NW ¼ sec. 12, T. 40 S., R. 7 W., on Sucker Creek, 15 miles from Cave Junction and 43 miles from Grants Pass. Paved road is within 3 miles of the mine.

Area: Five claims, 88 acres.

History: The mine was discovered in 1915 by Mr. Siskron who worked it from 1917 to 1927. Associates Developing Co. purchased it in 1927 and operated it until 1929. H. W. Finch secured control and operated from 1929 to 1935. The Oregon Gold Mines, Seattle, Washington, operated until December, 1937. Finch took over at that time and operated intermittently until Burr started work in 1940. Reported production is:

1917-1927	$15,000
1927-1929	3,000
1929-1935	22,000
1935-1937	6,500
	$46,500

Development: There are a number of open cuts, short tunnels, and stopes, most of which are inaccessible. They represent work done prior to 1929. The main workings open at present are the 200 level, with stopes above it, and two winzes to the 300 level on which some work has been done.

Mining Conditions: Steep mountainous topography; elevation 2100-2900 feet. There is ample timber for mine timbers. Water for mill operation is available about 8 months of the year; water from Sucker Creek sufficient to operate a 25 ton mill is available by pumping at all times. Maximum snow fall is three feet, but snow seldom interferes with operations for more than a few days at a time. Climate is generally mild.

Geology: The principle rock types of the area are fine-grained meta-igneous, both flow and intrusive. Small serpentine bodies lie west and southwest of the mine. Some faulting has occurred. The U. S. Geol. Survey party under direction of F. G. Wells has mapped one fault trending generally N. 20 W. through the area and another trending generally N. 20 E., which is cut off by the N. W. fault.

The meta-igneous rock exposed on the property has been silicified and altered to some extent, and near the surface the rock shows considerable weathering. The quartz vein (Siskron vein) contains rusty to glassy quartz and small inclusions of wall rock.

The main or Siskron vein has been cut off by a fault, trending N. 62 W. and dipping 35 degrees N. E. The fault contains some quartz. It is exposed at the surface and also on the 300 level about 8 feet south of the south winze. Southwest of this fault is a shear zone that trends N. 20° W. and dips 60 degrees N. E. As plotted on the mine map, the shear zone extends to the south winze, but evidence on the ground to verify this extension could not be found.

The Siskron vein has a variable strike, but generally strikes N. 20 E., and dips 35°NW.

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The vein pinches and swells to a maximum of five feet. The "vein" is a network of quartz veinlets and meta-igneous rock---the quartz content varying from thin seams to veins 8 inches wide. According to advice of the operators, there appears to be an ore-shoot system that rakes N. 15° W.

One particularly rich ore-shoot was mined adjacent to the quartz-filled fault that cuts off the Siskron vein. Others to the north seem to parallel this ore-shoot and grow progressively leaner toward the north.

The ore contains free gold together with some pyrite and a small amount of chalcopyrite.

Pinches and swells within the vein seem to bear a relation to ore deposition. Ore is richer in the "swells". Stopes A, B, and C indicate a width of 4-8 feet. Five other veins are reported on the property but no work has been done to prove them. 800 tons of ore is indicated below the main level. There is some ore in pillars and in the "fines" along the footwall in the stopes above the main or 200 level.

Metallurgy: Ore is hard quartz, of which 50 percent is free milling. The mill has a Harding 25 ton ball mill, amalgamation traps; flotation was used at one time. At present the ore is ground in the Harding mill, goes through a launder, then to impact-amalgamators, and to waste. Contemplated improvements include a hydraulic trap between the ball mill and the launder, and the tabling of the discharge from the amalgamators.

Sulphides in the ore appear to be sufficient in quantity and value to justify concentration.

Report by: Ray C. Treasher, February 15, 1941.

REYNOLD'S COPPER MINE (copper, nickel) Waldo area

Owner: Unknown

Location: sec. 27, T. 40 S., R. 9 W., elevation about 2800 feet; located in a gulch south of the trail.

Area: Unknown

History: "A prospect near Rough and Ready creek, about 12 miles northwest of Waldo, with 850 feet of tunnels, lies in the midst of the great serpentine area and has attracted the attention of prospectors for copper. I was unable to visit the prospect, but Mr. Reynolds kindly sent me at my request a series of samples to illustrate the ores of his prospect. The material is much altered and weathered serpentine, stained green by carbonate of copper together with delicate pinkish or bluish gray tints, suggesting the presence of cobalt. Some Pyrrhotite seems to be present, but it is evident that the samples are so altered that they afford an unreliable basis for judging the ores. Both nickel and cobalt have been reported in these ores. Tests by Chase Palmer in the chemical laboratory of the Geological Survey showed the presence of 0.29 percent nickel, but no cobalt was found."

Development: There are at least three adits which are badly caved and it is unsafe to enter. Work valued at over $3000 was done.

Report by: Ray C. Treasher, May 15, 1940.

Reference: Diller, 14:64 (quoted)
Parks & Swartley, 16:193.

ROSEBURG & FIDELITY GROUP Waldo area

Location: sec. 7, T. 39 S., R. 8 W.

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FORM No. 602—AFFIDAVIT OF ANNUAL LABOR ON MINING CLAIM.

53373

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PROOF OF LABOR

STATE OF OREGON,
County of Josephine } ss.

I, Roscoe Polk, being first duly sworn, declare in regard to the annual labor performed upon the hereinafter named unpatented mining claim.... for the year ending September 1, 1968, to-wit:

NAME OF CLAIM, as located and as recorded in the mining records of said county of Josephine

	BOOK	PAGE
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Number of days labor performed: 200 days

Character and location of improvements: Roadbuilding, clearing and mining

Value of Improvements: $ 3000.—

Dates of performing labor and making improvement: all thru the year of 1968

Performed at request of

Performed by: Roscoe Polk

Amount paid and by whom paid (if work done by other person than owner or owners):

x Roscoe Polk

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 3 day of Sept., 1968.

Eletha Faus
Notary Public

My Commission expires Jan. 24, 1969

(SEAL)

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AFFIDAVIT
of Annual Labor on Mining Claim

(FORM No. 602)

State of Oregon,)
County of Josephine,) ss. No. 53373

I, A. Donley Barnes, County Clerk and ex-officio Recorder of Conveyances, in and for said County, do hereby certify that the within instrument was received for record at

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COUNTY CLERK
and JOSEPHINE COUNTY OREGON
Recorded
at Page 969-970 of Vol. 74
MINING
Records of Josephine County, Oregon.
A. DONLEY BARNES Co. Clerk
By Margret Rivera Deputy
Fee $ 4.50

ISM 7-5-68

Roscoe Polk
Caves Hwy
Cave Jct.

MME Form 7
(2/63)

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Date	Surname	Code
11/25/68	Emerick	120
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"	Johnson	110
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		220
		120M

AIRMAIL

Mr. Roscoe M. Polk
18 Eastern Street
Grants Pass, Oregon 97526

Re: OME-6754 (Gold)
Roscoe M. and Ruth Polk
Siskron Mines
Josephine County, Oregon

Dear Mr. Polk:

A careful study of your application for financial assistance to explore the subject property and of other information available to us indicates that the probability of disclosing significant ore reserves on the property is not sufficiently promising to justify Government participation in the proposed exploration. Accordingly, we regret to inform you that your application for assistance is denied.

We wish to thank you for your interest in the minerals exploration program and for bringing your property to our attention.

Sincerely yours,

FRANK E. JOHNSON (gla)

Frank E. Johnson
Chief, Office of
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Memorandum

To: The File

From: William L. Emerick

Subject: OME-6754 (Gold)
Roscoe M. and Ruth Polk
Siskron Mines
Josephine County, Oregon

Justification for Denial of Application

The Applicant proposed to explore for gold by 1,900 feet of bulldozer trenching, 500 feet of drifting on veins, and 1,600 feet of diamond drilling. The bulldozing includes several hundred feet of access road. Total estimated cost of the proposed exploration is $66,650 of which the Government's share at 75 percent is $49,987.50.

The Applicant's property includes the Rainbow Mine from which a total production of $46,500 worth of ore has been mined, mostly from high grade pockets found in thin quartz veins in sheared greenstone.

The Field Examiner made a substantially thorough examination of the property and recognizes that some gold may be found by additional exploration of exposed veins on the property, but concludes that the probability of finding ore reserves of significant size and value by the proposed exploration would be speculative. In addition, observations indicate that the Applicant's competence to supervise the exploration is questionable. Under these circumstances it is recommended by the Field Examiner, with the concurrence of the Field Officer, that the application be denied.

I concur with the recommendations.

William L. Emerick

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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
OFFICE OF MINERALS EXPLORATION
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
U.S. Court House, Rm. 656
West 920 Riverside Avenue
Spokane, Washington 99201
November 18, 1968

Memorandum

To: Chief, Office of Minerals Exploration

From: Field Officer, Region I

Subject: Application Examination Report
OME-6754 (Gold)
Roscoe M. and Ruth Polk
Siskron Mines
Josephine County, Oregon

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Enclosed is an examination report on the subject property by Willard P. Puffett, Geologist, Geological Survey.

Although he recognizes that some gold may be found by additional exploration on this property, Puffett recommends that the application be denied because:

1. The chance of finding ore shoots of significant size and value relative to the cost of the exploration is less than fair.

2. The competence of the applicant is questionable.

I concur with Puffett's recommendation.

D. R. MacLaren

D. R. MacLaren

Enclosure

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Memorandum

To: Field Officer, Region I

From: Willard P. Puffett, Geologist

Subject: Application Examination Report
OME-6754 (Gold)
Roscoe M. and Ruth Polk
Siskron Mines
Josephine County, Oregon

On-Site Exam Report

INTRODUCTION

Mr. and Mrs. Polk have applied for an OME contract to explore for gold ore at the old Rainbow or Siskron mine on the west side of Sucker Creek in Josephine County, Oregon. The gold occurs with pyrite, arsenopyrite, and minor amounts of other sulfides in quartz veins that are in fault zones cutting metavolcanic rocks.

I examined the applicant's property on Sunday, November 3, 1968. Mr. and Mrs. Polk and family were at the property and Mr. Polk and his three sons accompanied me to several surface prospect pits and through the accessible part of the old Rainbow mine. I spent about 7 hours at the property.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the application be denied. A modest tonnage of gold ore can probably be found by drifting on the vein exposed near a caved tunnel in the southeastern part of the Expectation Fraction claim or by exploring the downward extension of the vein that had been mined in the old Rainbow mine. The veins are narrow, but reportedly some have contained small, rich ore shoots. The expected amount of ore to be found will not justify the expected costs of exploring for it. This, plus the questionable competence of the applicant to supervise the exploration, suggests that OME should not participate in the proposed work.

LOCATION AND ACCESSIBILITY

The applicant's property consists of the following unpatented claims that are recorded in Josephine County, Oregon, as follows:

Claim Name	Book	Page
Expectation Fraction Lode	68	79
New Years Lode	68	81
January 1st Lode	68	83
January 1st Extension Lode	68	77
Milling Lode	68	83

These are in the NW$\frac{1}{4}$ sec. 12 and the SW$\frac{1}{4}$ sec. 1, T. 40 S., R. 7 W. WM, Josephine County, Oregon. The claims were located on May 2, 1962, and are in part relocations of claims formerly owned by Mr. Ora O. Kessler, who sold them to Roscoe and Ruth Polk. Maps showing the locations of the claims accompany the application and are not reproduced with this report.

The claims are on the steep slope west of Sucker Creek. Access to the property is by a gravelled road that leads south from the Cave Junction Highway at Grayback Creek for 3 miles. Bulldozed trails lead up the steep slope to the old mine workings. Another road to the property crosses Sucker Creek near its confluence with Grayback Creek. This road leads up the steep slope to above the old mine workings and many of the old prospect pits on the New Years, Expectation Fraction, and January 1st claims. The old mine workings and most of the prospect pits are between 2,600 and 2,800 feet above sea level; the creek level below the mine is about 2,050 feet above sea level. All the hills are heavily timbered and outcrops of bedrock are scarce.

There are no buildings on the property. Mr. and Mrs. Polk reside temporarily near their claims in a log house on the east side of Sucker Creek.

GEOLOGY

The geology surrounding the applicant's property is shown on the preliminary geologic map of the Grants Pass Quadrangle (Wells, 1940). The upper part of the hillslopes are underlain by Paleozoic or older metavolcanic rocks that consist of altered lava flows and flow breccias. A small body of serpentine has been mapped at the southwest corner of sec. 12. The creek bottom and the slope east of

Sucker Creek are underlain by altered volcanic rocks of Jurassic age. A fault trending about N. 18° W. separates the two ages of metavolcanic rocks.

The few outcrops in the mine area are fine-grained light-greenish gray greenstone, some of which appears to be strongly sericitic. No well-defined banding or layering was seen in any outcrop.

Mr. Polk directed me to what he called a porphyry dike in an old cut in the northern part of the New Years claim. He mentioned that some fairly good assays had been obtained from samples of this dike. The rock he showed me was moderately well weathered, somewhat iron-stained but did not look like a porphyry to me. There are a few tiny quartz stringers in it but none of these warranted sampling.

Quartz veins had been exposed in a few shallow pits. In general, these veins are small and were not exposed well enough to sample or to determine their orientation. There are two quartz veins that were better exposed in the southeast part of the Expectation Fraction Lode. Locations of these are shown on plate 3 of the application. A quartz vein, 6 inches thick, is in the trench near A' a few tens of feet south of the north boundary of the Milling Lode claim. This near vertical vein strikes about due east. A sample from it assayed 0.05 ounce gold per ton and a trace of silver. South of the trench is an old caved adit marked "shallow cut" on plate 3 of the application. Mr. Polk said that he had been told that a pocket of high-grade ore worth $3,500.00 had been mined from near the surface on the vein in this adit. The vein is fairly well exposed in front of the old adit and consists of several quartz stringers in a clay matrix. A sample cut across the full 30-inch width of the vein assayed 0.28 ounce per ton gold and 0.2 ounce per ton silver. This vein, nearly vertical, strikes N. 45° W.

There is an open shaft about 150 feet south of the caved adit described above and this is shown on plate 3 of the application. A well-defined fault is exposed in the walls of the shaft and strikes N. 10° W. and dips 60° SW. Mr. Polk said that panning some quartz from near the fault yielded many colors of gold. The ladder in the shaft appeared quite rotten and I did not think it safe to climb down in the shaft to examine the fault. This fault does project to an intersection with the vein in the caved adit and possibly some good grade ore can be found at the intersection.

Two or three other small quartz veins are exposed in shallow pits, but the applicant did not have much information regarding their metal content and none appeared worthy of sampling.

Parts of the old Rainbow mine were open for inspection. Plate 5 of the application shows the part of the mine that can be inspected. Other mine workings are shown on an assay map submitted with the application. Quartz veins in the mine are in shear zones that are composed of crushed greenstone. In some places the crushed zone is as much as 30 inches thick, whereas the enclosed quartz vein is only a few inches thick. Pyrite and arsenopyrite are locally abundant. The assay map with the application shows that the sampled parts of the main vein range from 8 to 24 inches thick. Treasher (1942, p. 217) reports the vein pinches and swells to a maximum of 5 feet and that ore is richer in the thicker parts of the vein.

The vein above the main or 200 level in the Rainbow mine has been stoped on both sides of the main crosscut tunnel. The vein is exposed in nearly all walls of the stopes but obviously is much thinner in the walls than where it was mined. The data on the assay map indicates that parts of the vein are rich in gold; one sample across 15 inches assayed $68.38 (presumably all in gold). There is shown to be 400 tons averaging $18.50 per ton between the 200 and 300 levels.

The main vein has been followed north on the 200 level to the surface. This part of the mine is caved, but the old opening was seen at the surface. No exploration has been done to explore on the surface for the down dip extension of the vein below the 200 level.

PRODUCTION

The total production from the Rainbow mine is reported to be $46,500.00. Probably, most of this production came from the underground workings, but there are some shallow pits and shafts on the surface above the mine workings and Mr. Polk said some rich ore had been found in these surface workings. Mr. Polk believes that the reported production is much less than the actual production and said that he had been told of at least $60,000.00 worth of ore mined from high-grade pockets near the surface. There is no way of proving or disproving the reports to which Mr. Polk refers. Many publications that describe early gold mining activity in southwestern Oregon mention that there is no record of early production and that some exceedingly rich gold ore had been mined but unrecorded. Thus, it is possible that the production from the Rainbow mine is much greater than the recorded production.

APPLICANT'S PROPOSAL

The applicant had hired a consultant to advise him concerning the best possible method of exploring his property and presumably the proposed exploration is that advised by the consultant. The proposed exploration includes 1,900 feet of bulldozer trenches, 500 feet of drifting on veins, and 1,600 feet of diamond drilling. The location of the proposed work is shown on plate 3 of the application.

The bulldozing includes the construction of several hundred feet of access road to explore for downward extensions of the vein exposed in the old Rainbow mine and to explore the vein in the southeast part of the Expectation Fraction claim. More bulldozing will explore the "porphyry" dike in the northern part of the New Years claim. Several trenches are proposed to explore "sheeted" belts near the portal of the Rainbow mine.

The diamond drilling consists of four widely spaced holes of 400 feet each. Two of these holes will explore the vein exposed in the Rainbow mine and the other two will explore the downward extension of the "porphyry" dike.

The drifting includes drifting in from the surface on the 300 level of the Rainbow mine and drifting to the northwest on the vein exposed in the old caved adit in the southeastern part of the Expectation Fraction claim.

The bulldozing, drifting, and core drilling will be done under contract. Contract bids submitted range from $25 to $30 an hour for bulldozing, $50 to $55 per foot for drifting, and from $6.50 to $8.50 per foot for drilling.

The total cost of the proposed exploration is $66,650.00 of which the Government's share at 75 percent is $49,987.50.

APPRAISAL OF APPLICANT'S PROPOSAL

The applicant's proposal is to explore several different targets for possible ore and appears to be somewhat of a scattergun approach. It is difficult to see where 1,900 feet of bulldozer trenching could be used; some trenching is justified in a couple of areas but not to the extent that is requested. The four drill holes that are planned might be successful in intersecting gold-bearing veins, but their objective is not well defined. Some drilling might be justified to search for downward extensions of the vein in the Rainbow mine, but such drilling could best be done from underground drill stations.

The vein in the shallow cut in the southeastern part of the Expectation Fraction claim that assayed 0.28 ounce gold per ton across 30 inches should be explored farther. The old caved adit should be cleaned up to determine how much drifting had been done on the vein. If the vein is persistent in the adit, then drifting to the northwest is justified to explore the intersection of the vein with the northerly trending fault zone exposed in the shallow shaft. About 150-200 feet of drift is required.

Downward extensions of the vein in the Rainbow mine can be explored by bulldozer cuts. If the vein is exposed in the cuts and proves to be of adequate thickness and gold content, a drift is justified to explore the vein between the surface and the old underground workings. Projections on the applicant's map indicate that about 250 feet of drift would be required.

It does appear that, under the most favorable of circumstances, about 50 hours of bulldozing and 400-450 feet of drift could be justified to explore the veins on the applicant's property. The contract costs submitted by the applicant suggest this work would cost about $25,000.00 as follows:

50 hrs bulldozing at $25/hr	$ 1,250.00
450 ft drifting at $50/ft	22,500.00
Supervision and sampling	1,250.00
	$25,000.00
Gov't. participation at 75 percent	$18,750.00

The total amount of ore required to repay the Government's share of the cost, based on royalty repayments of 5 percent, is $18,750.00 X 20 or $377,000.00. This means that for every foot of drift completed one should expect to find reserves of about $838.00. If it is assumed that the vein will average 2 feet thick and can be projected up and down dip for at least 200 feet, the value per ton will have to average a little more than $25.00. The applicant's map of the Rainbow mine shows a reserve of 400 tons averaging $18.50 per ton; hence, it would seem reasonable that any new ore found will be of about the same value as this and would not be rich enough to fully repay the exploration costs as outlined above, even if the results were extremely favorable.

The reported production from the Rainbow mine is $46,500.00 or only about 12 percent of the amount suggested above to repay the Government's participation. It seems unrealistic to expect to find the required amount of ore by the proposed exploration.

COMPETENCE OF THE APPLICANT

The application states that the work will be supervised by Mr. Roscoe M. Polk, owner of the property for the past 6 years. Mr. Polk has constructed many miles of logging road and reportedly can operate any excavation or mining equipment to be used.

The competence of an applicant is probably not too easy to judge on a 1-day examination. However, certain facts are obvious. The property has been owned for 6 years, but the owner has done scarcely any exploration of the surface exposures. His son has been doing some underhand stoping in a small stope in the Rainbow mine at the intersection of the main crosscut with the 200 level drift and a small tonnage of ore is stockpiled at the portal. It is hard to understand why it was necessary to mine underhand when the vein is developed by a winze to the 300 level and could have been mined upward from the lower level.

A beginning had been made to build a bridge from the camp across Sucker Creek. Piles of rock had been bulldozed in place for the bridge footings, but no further progress had been made.

A more or less home-made hydraulic dredge had been constructed to mine the gravels along Sucker Creek but was not in operation and it is questionable if it will work.

A small rock pulverizer that appeared to be a blower fan with modified metal blades had been constructed. Apparently, this was to be used in crushing ore that had been mined. The reasoning behind this machine was not too obvious to me.

Some attempts have been made to construct a hand-operated windlass for removing ore from the underhand stope. None of these have been successful.

There are other pieces of equipment in various stages of disrepair scattered across the applicant's property and attest to his apparent lack of systematic planning in whatever project he undertakes.

It might be assumed that much of the proposed work could be done competently because it will be subcontracted and only the general supervision of the work will be by Mr. Roscoe Polk. However, the bids for bulldozing and the drifting include bids by Mr. Ken L. Polk, the applicant's son. Ken L. Polk would probably be given the contracts and from what could be seen at the mine, he is not much better qualified to do the work than is his father.

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

The applicant's property includes the old Rainbow mine from which a total production of $46,500.00 has been recorded. The ore is found in thin quartz veins in sheared greenstone. Ore minerals include free gold with pyrite and arsenopyrite. The veins range from a few inches to as much as 5 feet thick and the thicker parts are reported to have contained the higher values.

Some of the veins merit limited exploration that could be done by bulldozing and by drifting. The ore expected as a result of such work will be far less than that needed to repay, by 5 percent royalty, the Government's share of the proposed exploration.

It is concluded that no exploration contract should be entered into with the applicant because the amount of ore to be found is too small and because it is questionable if the applicant is competent to adequately supervise the work.

Willard P. Puffett

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AIRMAIL

Mr. Roscoe M. Polk
18 Eastern Street
Grants Pass, Oregon 97526

Re: OME-6754 (Gold)
Roscoe M. and Ruth Polk
Siskron Mines
Josephine County, Oregon

Dear Mr. Polk:

Thank you for your letter enclosing the additional information in support of the subject application. The application for financial assistance has been referred for further consideration to Mr. D. R. MacLaren, Field Officer, Region I, U. S. Geological Survey, Office of Minerals Exploration, Room 656, West 920 Riverside Ave., Spokane, Washington 99201.

Mr. MacLaren will notify you if he requires additional information concerning the application and possibly to make arrangements for an on-site examination of the property.

Sincerely yours,

FRANK E. JOHNSON (gla)
Frank E. Johnson
Chief, Office of
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Memorandum

To: Field Officer, Region I

From: Chief, Office of Minerals Exploration

Subject: OME-6754 (Gold)
Roscoe M. and Ruth Folk
Siskron Mines
Josephine County, Oregon

The subject application is referred to you for further study, a field examination if warranted, and recommendations.

The Applicant's copies of letters to banks obviously are not the originals. The amount of loan applied for in the Applicant's letters does not agree with the amount refused by the banks. Likewise, the form of bids for bulldozer work, drifting, and core drilling are not up to OME standards. If an on-site examination proves favorable the Applicant should be required to furnish a recent financial statement as well as bids in a more acceptable form.

The estimated hours for bulldozer work seems excessive. For the type of work to be done a third or, at most, a half of the time estimated probably would be sufficient.

FRANK E. JOHNSON (for)

Frank E. Johnson

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Re: OME-6754 (Gold)
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Siskron Mines
Josephine County, Oregon

See left side for enclosures

Gentlemen:

Your letter of September 27, 1968 request the following information which is enclosed.

1. Copies of correspondence with two banks requesting an exploration loan.

2. Ownership record of the Siskron Claims. Mr. Finch, the owner of the claims in 1942 died in 1958 or 1959 and the man (a Mr. Collins) who was doing the assessment work for him restake the rainbow claim . Mr. Collins sold the rainbow claim to Mr. Ora O. Kessler, Mr. Kessler sold this claim to Roscoe M. and Ruth Polk on February 21, 1961. Copy of Quit Claim deed enclosed. The New Years Lode, Expectation Fraction, January 1st Extension, and the milling Lods was relocated in the name of Roscoe M. and Ruth Polk on May 2, 1962. Copies of Location certificate - Lode claim on these are attached.

3. Copies of contractos bids are enclosed.

All tractor work
(trenching, road & fill of trenching)

Ford Bros. Logging	30.00 an hour	$30,000.00
John E. White	27.50 an hour	27,500.00
Ken L. Polk	25.00 an hour	25,000.00

Drifting

John E. White	55.00 foot	27,500.00
Robert O. Shannon	50.00 foot	25,000.00
Ken L. Polk	50.00 foot	25,000.00

Core drilling

Robert O. Shannon	0-200'	@ 6.50
	200'-300'	@ 7.50
	300'-400'	@ 8.50
Mobilization		100.00
Demobiliaztion		100.00
B. William George		
	per foot	8.50
Mobilization		150.00
Demobilization		150.00
John White	per foot	9.00

Surface reclamation will be as follows, tractor will fill trenches in or level or shape to slope contour of slope of mountain, and prepare water bars, natural reseeding is normal for this area. Seed trees are near work area. Tractor work of 1000 hours includes the time for this work.

Also enclosed is a copy of plate 3 showing location of drill holes.

I hope that the enclosed information answers all of your questions in your letter of September 27, 1968.

Very truly yours,

Roscoe M Polk

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18 Eastern Street
Grants Pass, Oregon 97526

Re: OME-6754 (Gold)
Roscoe M. and Ruth Polk
Siskron Mines
Josephine County, Oregon

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Polk:

A preliminary review of your application for exploration assistance indicates that the following additional information is required before we can continue its processing.

Your application includes the required letters from two banks, but in addition, please furnish copies of your initial correspondence to the two banks requesting an exploration loan. The letters should state the amount of the loan (estimated Government participation), purpose, date, and terms requested. Letters furnished not originals

In reviewing the history of the Siskron Mines we note that an H. W. Finch owned the property in 1942. For our records we would appreciate a statement or copy of legal document showing transfer of rights to the property from Finch to you as the present owners. Furnished

As you have indicated that the proposed trenching, drifting, and core drilling will be contracted, the cost estimates of these items should be supported by bids from three independent contractors, if possible, for each item of work.

Under present instructions, provisions for surface reclamation are to be included in each OME contract. This provision would apply to trenching, therefore restoration or rehabilitation (filling-in) of trenches should be included in your estimate of costs and also in the supporting bids from private contractors. Reasonable costs for

restoration will be an allowable expense under the exploration project, payable in the same proportion as other costs of the contract. Trenches may remain open for the duration of the contract to allow for mapping, sampling, and evaluation but must be closed before the Government will certify completion and make final payment under the terms of a contract.

The proposed locations of the four core drill holes should be shown on revised copies of Plate 3. 3 shown, one indicated

This request for additional information should not be construed as a commitment by the Government to grant an exploration contract. We shall hold your application in our active file pending receipt of the data requested.

Sincerely yours,

FRANK E. JOHNSON, gla

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Chief, Office of
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September 23, 1968

Mr. Roscoe M. Polk and
Mrs Ruth Polk
18 Eastern Street
Grants Pass, Oregon 97526

Subject: OME-6754

Dear Mr. and Mrs Polk:

Your application for exploration assistance, dated September 18, 1968, submitted to our office at Spokane, Washington, has been assigned Docket No. OME-6754.

Please identify all future correspondence relating to your application by this docket number.

Sincerely yours,

Frank E. Johnson
Chief, Office of
Minerals Exploration

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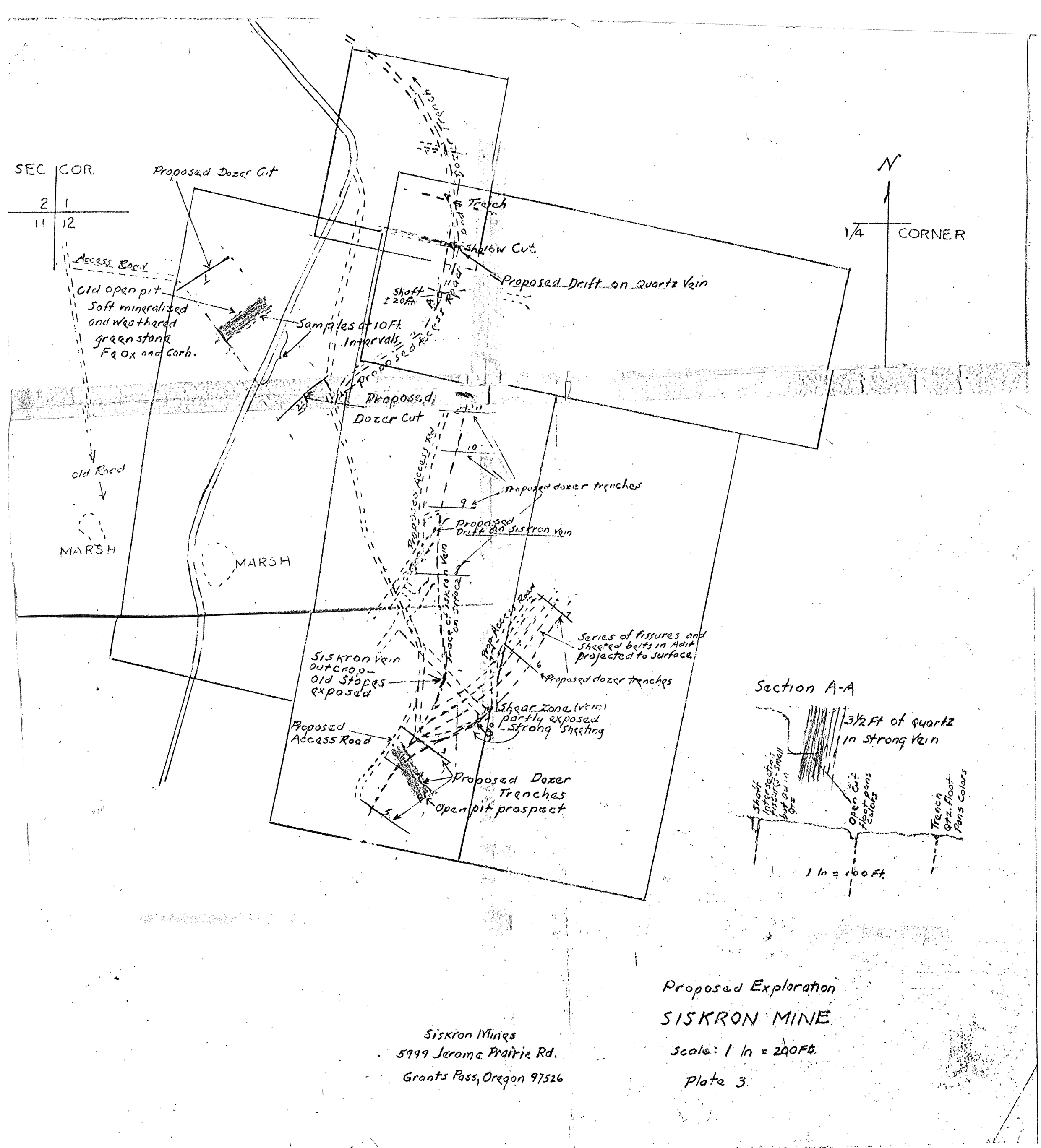

Siskron Mines
5999 Jerome Prairie Rd.
Grants Pass, Oregon 97526

Proposed Exploration
SISKRON MINE
Scale: 1 In = 200 Ft.
Plate 3

EXPECTATION FRACTION LODE CLAIM

Tunnel

COR.

1/4 CORNER

NEW YEARS LODE CLAIM

MILING LODE CLAIM

CABIN

JANUARY 1st LODE CLAIM

JANUARY 1st EXTENSION LODE CLAIM

MARSH

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Sucker Creek

center sec

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JUNCTION

OREGON CAVES 9 MILES

SECTIONS 1 & 12 Twp 40 S R 7 W

siskron mine

AREA PROSPECTUS

LEGEND: 1" = 200 ft. JOSEPHINE COUNTY

CCC ROADS	
JEER ROADS	
TUNNELS	
UNDERGROUND WORK.	
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