

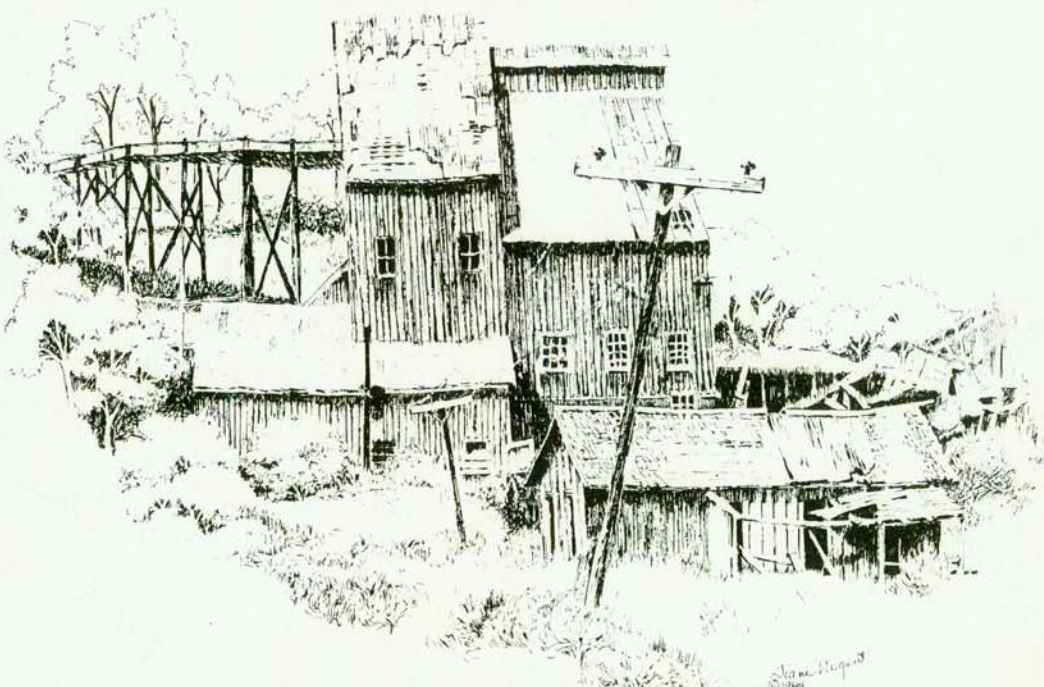
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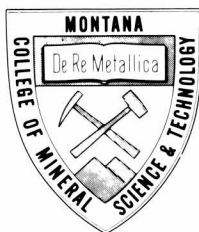
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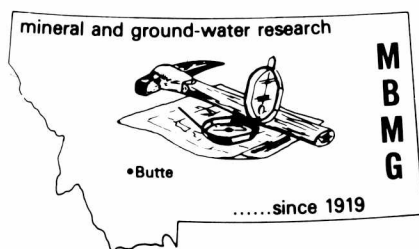
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Distribution of mining districts and strippable coal fields in Montana (back pocket)

Preface

Each year the Bureau Staff Field Agent visits many mining properties in Montana under the Title III Aid to Small Miners Program and the long-established Bureau Small Mines Program. With the tremendously accelerated mineral activities in the State, however, it is impossible to visit all properties during the year, and therefore information is requested by mail from mine operators and owners relating to their mining activities. The responses to this canvassing and to personal interviews are then compiled and published annually in the Directory of Montana Mining Enterprises.

Mining enterprises are listed, by counties, either under *Metal Mines*, *Nonmetal Mines*, *Pits and Quarries* or *Coal Mines*. Within the counties, the properties are listed alphabetically, and contain the type of ore or mineral produced; mining district and location of the property based on legal subdivisions of land survey; owners' and operators' names and addresses; mill capacity; and the number of employees. The yearly status is also outlined, i.e., whether the property produced ore during the year; is still producing; developed ore without producing; did exploration work; or remained totally inactive. To facilitate use of the Directory, an index of mines, mine owners and operators is included at the back. Also included is a list entitled *Major Montana Exploration Projects*.

The map in the back pocket includes township and range lines to facilitate locating the area in which a mine or group of claims is located. Also, the Directory entries include the mining district index number in [brackets], which will allow one quickly to locate the district on the map.

The Directory contains a supplemental list of mines that have previously been listed as active but have been inactive over three continuous years. Mines inactive for a period of six consecutive years have been dropped entirely from the Directory.

The compiler wishes to thank the many Montana mine owners and operators for allowing information on their activities to be published. Every effort has been made to publish exact and complete information. The fact that a property is listed in the Directory, however, is not to be regarded as an endorsement of the property by the Montana Bureau of Mines and Geology. Conversely, if a property is omitted from the Directory, the omission is not to be taken as questioning its value or potential. Such omissions are known to occur, but most are traceable to failure by the last known operator to respond to repeated requests for necessary information. Nevertheless, in most cases, the missing data have been supplied from the best sources available.

For their contributions to the Directory, special acknowledgements are due W. L. Rice, U.S. Bureau of Mines, who provided the *Foreword* on the mineral industry of Montana in 1984, and to Richard B. Berg, who contributed the section on the Elk Creek-Coloma mining district. This feature is the fifth of such articles on selected mining areas within the State, and we hope to continue these profiles in forthcoming directories.

If any additional facts or corrections are known, please submit such information to D. C. Lawson, Montana Bureau of Mines and Geology, Butte, Montana 59701, phone 406/496-4171.

The abbreviations and symbols used throughout the Directory are: (sec.), section; (T.), township; (R.), range; (t/d), tons per day; (t/hr), tons per hour; (t/y), tons per year; (g/d), gallons per day; (y/hr), yards per hour; (*), openpit; (**), openpit and underground.

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Butte
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Foreword

The estimated value of nonfuel mineral production in Montana for 1984 was \$248 million, a decrease of 15 percent from that recorded in 1983, according to the Bureau of Mines, U.S. Department of the Interior. The most significant losses were in copper and silver production, although a substantial gain was made in the production of gold. Metallic minerals accounted for 60 percent of the State's total production value for 1984.

ASARCO Inc. maintained silver and copper production from the Troy mine near Libby. Pegasus Gold Ltd. produced gold and silver at its Zortman and Landusky heap leaching operation in Phillips County; Pegasus' acquisition of Meridian Land and Minerals Company claims added substantially to their ore reserves and mine life. Placer U.S. Inc. concluded the first full year of gold production from the 5,000-ton-per-day Golden Sunlight mine near Whitehall. The Black Pine mine continued to produce low-grade silver ore, which was processed in Contact Mining Company's 1,000-ton-per-day mill at Philipsburg. Judith Gold Corporation and Golden Maple Mining and Leaching Company produced gold from heap leach operations at Kendall and Giltedge, respectively. Companies announcing plans for gold and silver mining operations included Homestake Mining Company at Jardine, CoCa Mines Inc. near Polson, Pegasus Gold at the Beal property in German Gulch, and the Centennial Minerals-U.S. Minerals Exploration Montana Tunnels joint venture, near Wickes.

Exploration and development activity dropped below the level of 1983, although progress was made on several significant projects. Asarco submitted a plan of operations for a 10,000-ton-per-day underground mine at the Rock Creek silver-copper deposit in the Cabinet Mountains Wilderness, Sanders County; U.S. Borax & Chemical Corporation continued exploration on adjoining claims. The Anaconda Minerals Company-Manville Corporation-Chevron joint venture continued a feasibility study for a platinum group minerals operation in the Stillwater Complex. Plexus Resources Corporation completed drilling at its New World gold property, Park County. In the Marysville gold district, AMAX Exploration Inc. and Gulf Titanium Ltd. were active at the Cruse-Belmont property, and the Consolidated Paymaster Resources Ltd.-Goldsil Mining and Milling Inc. joint venture drilled at the Drumlummon mine. Aries Resources explored for silver and base metals west of Butte on property leased from The Anaconda Minerals Company. Lee Mining Corporation explored for silver near Walker-ville, and for gold at the Southern Cross mine west of Anaconda.

Industrial minerals production continued at about the same level as in 1983. Montana Barite Company operated mines at Elk Creek and Coloma, and began mining the Kenelty deposit near Libby. Stauffer Chemical Company reactivated a shutdown furnace at its Silver Bow elemental phosphorus plant. Aurora Industries Inc. sold its Federal Bentonite Division to IMCO Services; affected was an active bentonite mine in Valley County. Nicor Mineral Ventures announced plans for a \$10 million open-pit talc mine and processing plant.

W. L. Rice
State Liaison Officer
U.S. Bureau of Mines

Spokane
January 28, 1985

Part I—Metal Mines

ANTIMONY MINES

Ravalli County: Hamilton 59840

*DOMINIC GROUP Antimony
Sec. 35, T. 7 N., R. 19 W.
Owner-Operator: Betty Lykins
Box 181, 300 S. 9th, Hamilton MT 59840
Status: Developing

Sanders County: Thompson Falls 59873

BABBIT MINE Antimony
Prospect Creek dist. [174],
sec. 17, T. 21 N., R. 31 W.
Operator: John C. Lawrence
Box 643, Thompson Falls MT 59873
Owner: U.S. Antimony Corp.
Box 643, Thompson Falls MT 59873
Employees: 12
Mill capacity: 250 t/d, refinery and electrolytic plant
Smelter: High-purity antimony, battery-grade antimony, antimony trioxide, sodium antimonate
Status: Producing

GOLD, SILVER, COPPER, LEAD AND ZINC MINES

Beaverhead County: Dillon 59725

AJAX MINE Gold, silver, lead
Sec. 7, T. 6 S., R. 17 W.
Owner-Operator: Ajax Gold, Inc.
Willow Creek Rd., Corvallis MT 59828
Mill capacity: 50 t/d
Status: Inactive

BURGIEROSA MINE Silver, lead, copper
Vipond Park dist. [27],
sec. 34, 35, T. 1 S., R. 11 W.
Owner-Operator: Burgierosa Silver Mines, Inc.
P.O. Box 65, Genoa City WI 53128
Employees: 2
Status: Developing

BUSTER MINE Silver, gold, lead, copper, zinc
Birch Creek dist. [26],
sec. 17, 18, 19, 20, T. 5 S., R. 10 W.
Owner-Operator: Ken Langstaff
5200 Argenta Rd., Dillon MT 59725
Status: Inactive

ERMONT MINES Copper, silver, gold
Dillon dist. [12], sec. 35, T. 6 S., R. 11 W.
Operator: CSC of Montana, Inc.
301 1st National Bank Building, Box 1715,
Helena MT 59624
Owner: Overland Gold Corp.
STE 451 400 Jefferson Building,
Spokane WA 99204
Status: Developing

FAITHFUL LODGE Silver, lead
Vipond Park dist. [27], sec. 3, T. 1 S., R. 11 W.
Owner-Operator: Lively Mining, Inc.
Box 96, Melrose MT 59743
Status: Inactive

FERDINAND MINE Lead, zinc, silver
Argenta dist. [2], sec. 29, T. 6 S., R. 10 W.
Owner-Operator: Rudy and Nels Nygren
4700 Argenta Rd., Dillon MT 59725
Status: Inactive

GOLDEN DAWN MINE Gold, silver
Argenta dist. [2], SE ¼ sec. 24, T. 6 S., R. 11 W.
Owner-Operator: Dan A. MacDonald
7200 Argenta Road, Dillon MT 59725
Status: Developing

*GRASS HOPPER CLAIMS NO. 1 Gold, silver, lead
Bannack dist. [4], sec. 9, T. 8 S., R. 11 W.
Owner-Operator: Martin L. Belus
35021 W.V.H., Algona WA 98002
Status: Developing

**GRASSHOPPER MINE Gold
Bannack dist. [4], sec. 8, T. 8 S., R. 11 W.
Operator: R. A. Hanson Mining Co.
N. 8700 Crestline, Spokane WA 99207
Owner: Hanson Properties, Inc.
N. 8700 Crestline, Spokane WA 99207
Status: Exploration

Beaverhead County (continued)

HAND MINE Gold, silver, lead
 Argenta dist. [2],
 NW¼ NW¼ sec. 29, T. 6 S., R. 10 W.
 Operator: William M. Hand
 30 S. Arizona, Dillon MT 59725
 Owner: Hand Mine
 P.O. Box 1298, Dillon MT 59725
 Status: Inactive

***LAMPLIGHTER GROUP** Silver, copper
 Vipond Park dist. [27],
 sec. 29 (unsurveyed), T. 2 S., R. 11 W.
 Owner-Operator: Roy Hoekema and Arthur Semsak
 Box 180, Sultan WA 98294
 Status: Developing

LAST CHANCE GROUP Gold
 Vipond Park dist. [27], sec. 9, T. 2 S., R. 11 W.
 Owner-Operator: Harvey Allan
 Route 1, Box, 95, Sheridan MT 59749
 Status: Developing

****LUCKY STRIKE MINE** Gold, silver, copper
 Horse Prairie dist. [14], sec. 14, T. 11 S., R. 13 W.
 Owner-Operator: Owen Adams
 Box A, Teasdale UT 84773
 Status: Unknown

MAYDAY MINE Gold, silver, lead
 Argenta dist. [2], sec. 7, T. 6 S., R. 10 W.
 Owner-Operator: Rudy and Nels Nygren
 4700 Argenta Rd., Dillon MT 59725
 Status: Inactive

POLARIS MINE Silver
 Polaris (Lost Cloud) dist. [23],
 sec. 28, T. 5 S., R. 12 W.
 Owner-Operator: Midnite Mines, Inc.
 15600 Redmond Way, Redmond WA 98052
 Status: Inactive

****SATA MAIRA RAINBOW GROUP** Copper,
 silver, lead, tungsten
 Utopia dist. [26], sec. 21, 27, 28, T. 5 S., R. 10 W.
 Owner-Operator: J. V. Brady and Harold Reid
 Box 3, Moise MT 59824
 Status: Developing

SILVER RIDGE GROUP Silver, molybdenum,
 tungsten
 Sec. 26, T. 5 S., R. 17 W.
 Operator: S & S Diversified
 Ted Siaperias, General Manager
 Box 4123, Pocatello ID 83201
 Owner: Florence Coates and others
 P.O. Box 368, Mullan ID 83846
 Employees: 8
 Status: Developing

SYLVIA AND SYLVIA EXTENSION MINE Gold,
 lead, silver
 Argenta dist. [2], sec. 13, 24, T. 6 S., R. 10, 11 W.
 Owner-Operator: Rudy and Nels Nygren
 4700 Argenta Rd., Dillon MT 59725
 Status: Inactive

THUNDERBIRD GROUP Silver, tungsten,
 molybdenum
 Elkhorn dist. [13],
 sec. 14, 15, 22, 23, T. 4 S., R. 12 W.
 Owner-Operator: Thunderbird Resources
 Don L. Jenkins, President
 P.O. Box 506, Corvallis MT 59828
 Status: Exploration

****TIGER GROUP** Silver, tungsten, lead, zinc,
 copper
 Elkhorn dist. [13],
 sec. 13, 14, 15, 22, 23, 26, 27, T. 4 S., R. 12 W.
 Owner-Operator: Don L. Jenkins
 P.O. Box 506, Corvallis MT 59828
 Status: Exploration

VIRGINIA GULCH MINE Gold, silver
 Argenta dist. [2], sec. 15, T. 6 S., R. 11 W.
 Owner-Operator: Kenneth Langstaff
 125 Grey Wolf Drive, Ronan, MT 59864
 Employees: 1
 Status: Developing

WAPITA MINE Lead, silver
 Argenta dist. [2], sec. 22, 24, T. 6 S., R. 11 W.
 Owner-Operator: Rudy and Nels Nygren
 4700 Argenta Rd., Dillon MT 59725
 Status: Developing

YELLOWBAND GROUP Gold, silver
 Argenta dist. [2], sec. 1, 2, 11, T. 6 S., R. 11 W.
 Operator: Nelson Associates
 3926 Bellecrest, Missoula MT 59801
 Owner: E. E. Nelson, 3926 Bellecrest, Missoula
 MT 59801; Carl Shafer et al., Dillon, MT 59725
 Employees: 4
 Status: Developing

Broadwater County: Townsend 59644

BLUEBELL GROUP Copper, silver, gold, lead, zinc
 Hassel dist. [35], sec. 1, T. 6 N., R. 1 W.;
 sec. 32, T. 7 N., R. 1 E.
 Owner-Operator: Nila Tyrrel
 Box 211, Kirkwood IL 61447
 Status: Developing

***CHAR TAM MINE** Gold, silver, lead
 Winston dist. [37], sec. 13, T. 8 N., R. 1 W.
 Owner-Operator: Don Holmes
 409 Cherry St., Townsend MT 59644
 Employees: 2
 Status: Producing, developing

Broadwater County (continued)

CROSS MINE Lead, zinc, gold, silver
Park dist. [35], sec. 20, 21, T. 7 N., R. 1 W.
Owner-Operator: L. W. Doggett, C. Kokoruda and
F. Beniger
810 Breckenridge, Helena MT 59601
Status: Inactive

CUSTER MINE Gold
Winston dist. [37], sec. 13, T. 8 N., R. 1 W.
Owner-Operator: West Gate Mining and
Construction
U.S. Route 19 North, R.D. 13, Box 101,
Morgantown WV 26505
Mill capacity: 250 t/d
Status: Inactive

DIAMOND HILL MINE Gold, tungsten
Hassel dist. [35], sec. 36, T. 7 N., R. 1 W.
Owner-Operator: Mrs. Palmer Engh
Box 231, Townsend MT 59644
Mill capacity: 10 t/d
Status: Developing

EAST PACIFIC MINE Gold, silver, lead
Winston dist. [37], sec. 26, T. 8 N., R. 1 W.
Operator: Herb Carver (care taker)
Winston MT 59647
Owner: East Pacific Mining Co.,
c/o Bill Cullen, 1306 Washington,
Mutual Bldg., Spokane WA 99201
Mill capacity: 40 t/d
Status: Inactive

EDNA MINE Gold, silver
Winston dist. [37], sec. 13, T. 7 N., R. 1 W.
Operator: Don Holmes
Route 1, Box 138, Townsend MT 59644
Owner: Bob Cobben
Winston MT 59647
Status: Developing

****GRANITE HILL NO. 1 AND NO. 2** Ox Tree mill
gold
North Fork-Deep Creek dist. [31], sec. 35, 36,
T. 8 N., R. 4 E.
Owner-Operator: Arnold J. Kolberg
R.R. 1, Box 57, Toston MT 59643
Employees: 2
Status: Developing

HARD CASH MINE Gold
Cedar Plains dist. [36], sec. 10, 11, T. 5 N., R. 1 W.
Operator: Dennis Miller
Radersburg MT 59641
Owner: Jim Forkner
6037 N. Van Hess Blvd., Fresno CA 93705
Status: Inactive

IRON AGE GROUP Gold
Winston dist. [37], sec. 13, 24, T. 7 N., R. 1 W.
Operator: Don Holmes
Route 1, Box 138, Townsend MT 59644
Owner: Mrs. Gwendlyn Couch Johnson and others
2875 Westwood Lane No. 2
Carmichael CA 95608
Status: Developing

****KOLBERG EUREKA LEAD NO. 1** Silver, lead,
zinc
Eureka dist., sec. 20, T. 7 N., R. 1 W.
Owner-Operator: Arnold J. Kolberg
R.R. 1, Box 57, Toston MT 59643
Employees: 2
Status: Developing

KOLBERG MILL Free milling (Preferred)
Toston Flat dist., sec. 5, T. 4 N., R. 2 E.
Owner-Operator: Arnold J. Kolberg
R.R. 1, Box 57, Toston MT 59643
Mill capacity: 40 t/d
Employees: 3

LITTLE GIANT Gold, silver
Sec. 1, 2, 35, 36, T. 6 N., R. 1 W.
Operator: Dennis R. Miller
Route 1, Box 25-A, Toston MT 59643
Owner: Radersburg Mining Company
4344 IDS Center, Minneapolis MN 55402
Employees: 2
Status: Developing

MAPLES AND BRIDGTON GROUP Gold, silver
Winston dist. [37], sec. 24, T. 7 N., R. 1 W.
Owner-Operator: Don Holmes
Route 1, Box 138, Townsend MT 59644
Status: Developing

SILVER DIKE GROUP Gold, silver
Cedar Plains dist. [36], sec. 4, T. 7 N., R. 1 W.
Operator: Don Holmes
409 Cherry St., Townsend MT 59644
Owner: Mary Ann Miller and Don Holmes
Box 748, Townsend MT 59644
Employees: 2
Status: Produced

SKY MINE Gold, silver
Cedar Plains dist. [36], sec. 10, 15, T. 6 N., R. 1 W.
Operator: Don Holmes
409 Cherry St., Townsend MT 59644
Owner: Mary Ann Miller and Don Holmes
Route 1, Box 138, Townsend MT 59644
Status: Developing

STOLEN SWEETS MINE Gold, silver
Winston dist. [37], sec. 24, T. 7 N., R. 1 W.
Operator: Don Holmes
409 N. Cherry St., Townsend MT 59644
Owner: Ed Sewell
6314 Laurel Canyon Blvd., N. Hollywood CA 91606
Status: Inactive

****SLIM SAM GROUP** Lead, silver, gold
Radersburg dist. [36],
sec. 19, 20, 29, 30, T. 6 N., R. 1 W.
Owner-Operator: Art Roberts
Box 65, Radersburg MT 59641
Status: Inactive

Broadwater County (continued)

****VALLEY VIEW MINE** Gold, silver, lead, zinc
Park (Indian Creek) dist. [35],
sec. 24, T. 7 N., R. 1 W.
Owner-Operator: Warren Schreiner
Box 665, Townsend MT 59644
Status: Inactive

VULTURE MINE Lead, silver
Park dist. [35], sec. 8, T. 7 N., R. 1 W.
Owner-Operator: Dr. Raymond G. Bayles
Box 55, Townsend MT 59644
Status: Developing

Cascade County: Great Falls 59401

CHAMPION B. MINE Silver, lead, zinc
Neihart dist. [41], unsurv., sec. 29, T. 14 N., R. 8 E.
Owner-Operator: Marvin E. Corkill
Box 403, White Sulphur Springs MT 59645
Status: Inactive

****PONDEROSA 102 and 102A MINE** Gold, silver,
lead, zinc, copper
Neihart dist. [41], sec. 15, T. 14 N., R. 8 E.
Operator: Morgan Enterprises, Inc.
Mike Morgan, Pres., c/o MED-PRO
P. O. Box 53, Virginia City MT 59755
Owner: James M. Morgan
P.O. Box 15, Neihart MT 59465
Employees: 2
Status: Developing

FLORENCE and QUEEN MINE Silver, lead, zinc
Neihart dist. [41], sec. 29, 30, 31, 32, T. 14 N., R. 8 E.
Operator: Hecla Mining Co., Gordon Waldo, Mgr.,
New Mines, Box 220, Wallace ID 83873
Owner: The Monarch Co., Carroll R. Bennett
Box 2267, Great Falls MT 59401
Status: Exploration, inactive

***SILVER DYKE MINE** Silver, lead, zinc
Neihart dist. [41], sec. 10, T. 14 N., R. 8 E.
Owner-Operator: Peter J. Antonioli
1001 W. Gold, Butte MT 59701

MOULTON MINE
Silver, lead, zinc
Neihart dist. [41], sec. 29, 32, unsurv., T. 14 N., R. 8 E.
Operator: West Gate Mining and Construction
U.S. Route 19 North, R.D. 13, Box 101,
Morgantown WV 26505
Owner: Peter J. Antonioli Estate
1001 W. Gold, Butte MT 59701
Status: Inactive

Deer Lodge County: Anaconda 59711

***GREAT EASTERN MINE** Silver, copper, zinc
Lost Creek dist. [47], sec. 9, 10, T. 5 N., R. 11 W.
Owner-Operator: Nettie Lord, Two Knudson Dr.,
Yerington NV 89447; and Lyman Thayer, 3103 Lost
Creek Rd., Anaconda MT 59711
Status: Developing

Fergus County: Lewistown 59457

****BLACK BULL MINE** Gold, silver, copper, lead,
zinc
Warm Springs dist. [51], sec. 7, T. 16 N., R. 20 E.
Owner-Operator: G. S. Abbott
Gilt Edge Route, Lewistown MT 59457
Status: Developing

****FEDERAL RESERVE GROUP** Silver, lead, gold
South Moccasin dist. sec. 35, T. 17 N., R. 17 E.
Operator: Dean C. Burnham
Route 3, Lewistown MT 59457
Owner: D. C. Burnham and others
Route 3, Lewistown MT 59457
Status: Developing

BONANZA GROUP Gold, silver
Kendall dist. [50], sec. 30, T. 18 N., R. 18 E.
Owner-Operator: Arnold Smith
318 W Blvd., Lewistown MT 59457
Status: Developing

GILT EDGE Gold
Gilt Edge dist. [51],
sec. 17, 18, 19, 20, T. 16 N., R. 20 E.
Operator: Golden Maple Mining & Leaching Co.
P.O. Box 1131 Lewistown, MT 59457
K. V. Lonn, Resource Manager
Owner: Gilt Edge Corp.
Big Horn, WY 82833
Employees: 5
Status: Producing, developing

***COPPER ELK GROUP** Lead, silver
Cone Butte dist. [49], sec. 22, T. 17 N., R. 20 E.
Owner-Operator: T. A. Pentecost and others
204 E. Washington, Lewistown MT 59457
Status: Developing

Fergus County (continued)

*JAY DEE NO. 3 Gold, silver
Cone Butte (unorg.), sec. 8, T. 17 N., R. 21 E.
Owner-Operator: John and Dolores Rife
P.O. Box 193, Roy MT 59471
Status: Developing

KENDALL MINE Gold
North Moccasin dist. [50], sec. 31, T. 18 N., R. 18 E.
Owner-Operator: Triad Investments, Inc.
5360 Manhattan Cr., Suite 201
Boulder CO 80303
Mill capacity: 150 t/d
Employees: 12
Status: Producing, developing

**MAGINNIS MINE Gold, silver
Warm Springs (Gilt Edge) dist. [51],
sec. 5, T. 16 N., R. 20 E.
Operator: Jerry Hanley
138 - 13th Ave., Lewistown MT 59457
Owner: Selma Hanley and others
Lewistown MT 59457
Status: Developing

MYRANDA CLAIM Gold, silver, lead
Warm Springs dist. [51], sec. 8, T. 16 N., R. 20 E.
Owner-Operator: William and Glenn McVeda
915 W. Watson, Lewistown MT 59457
Status: Developing

*NO. 4 MINE Gold, silver, copper, lead, zinc
Warm Springs dist. [51], sec. 7, 18, T. 16 N., R. 20 E.
Operator: S & P Mining Co.
204 E. Washington, Lewistown MT 59457
Owner: T. A. Pentecost and others
204 E. Washington, Lewistown MT 59457
Status: Inactive

REPUBLIC MINE Silver, lead, zinc, gold,
lanthanum group
Sec. 23, T. 16 N., R. 17 E.
Owner-Operator: Mrs. C. L. Kuhnhausen
P.O. Box 278, Lewistown MT 59457
Status: Inactive

Flathead County: Kalispell 59901

*HERRIGG CREEK MINING CO. INC. GROUP
Gold, silver, copper, bismuth
Sec. 14, T. 28 N., R. 25 W.
Owner-Operator: L. O. and Jack Bauska
Box 511, Kalispell MT 59901
Status: Developing

SHEEP MOUNTAIN MINE Gold, silver, copper,
lead
Warm Springs dist. [51], sec. 4, 5, T. 16 N., R. 20 E.
Owner-Operator: Lawrence Lenling and others
Box 74, Lewistown MT 59457
Status: Developing

SPOTTED HORSE MINE Gold, silver, tellurium,
lead, zinc
Warm Springs dist. [51], sec. 5, T. 16 N., R. 20 E.
Operator: Joint venture of Minerals Inc. and
D.B.A. Colerate Minerals Inc.
Thomas R. Young, Pres.
2433 Ford St., Golden CO 80401
Owner: Viking Exploration, Inc.,
Charles A. Eimarsen, Pres.
801 Denver Center Bldg.
1776 Lincoln St., Denver CO 80203
Employees: 5
Status: Developing

*TWO LADY NO. 7 Gold, silver
Cone Butte (unorg.), sec. 17, T. 17 N., R. 21 E.
Owner-Operator: John and Dolores Rife
P.O. Box 193, Roy MT 59471
Status: Developing

**WAR EAGLE MINE Silver, lead
Warm Springs dist. [51], sec. 7, T. 16 N., R. 20 E.
Operator: Harry Abbott
AM Mining and Development Co.
Box 413, Lewistown MT 59457
Owner: Cougar
Calgary, Alberta, Canada
Employees: 3
Status: Developing

HOG HEAVEN PROJECT Silver, gold
Hog Heaven dist. [52], sec. 17, T. 25 N., R. 23 W.
Owner-Operator: CoCa Mines, Inc.,
Gordon L. Steele, Project Mgr.
P.O. Box 131, Polson MT 59868
Employees: 12
Status: Developing

Granite County: Philipsburg 59858

BLACK PINE MINE Silver, gold
 Black Pine dist. [59], sec. 7, 8, 16, 17 and
 18, T. 8 N., R. 14 W.
 Operator: Black Pine Mining Co.
 Dan McLaughlin, Mgr.
 Box 618, Philipsburg MT 59858
 Owner: Inspiration Consolidated Copper Co.
 55 Madison, Morristown NJ 07960
 Employees: 90
 Status: Producing, developing

BLUE BIRD MINE Gold, silver, copper
 Rose Mountain dist. [68], sec. 26, T. 8 N., R. 12 W.
 Operator: David M. Harris
 Box 296, Philipsburg MT 59858
 Owner: Ben Walkup
 Philipsburg MT 59858
 Employees: 2
 Status: Developing

CONTACT MINING CUSTOM MILL Sulfide ores
 Flint Creek dist. [65], sec. 36, T. 7 N., R. 14 W.
 Operator: Contact Mining Co.
 724 S. Western Ave., Butte MT 59701
 Owner: Contact Mining Co.
 P.O. Box 337, Philipsburg MT 59858
 Mill capacity: 1,000 t/d
 Employees: 12
 Status: Producing

GLITTERING HILL MINE Gold
 Red Lion dist. [66],
 sec. 22,, 23, 26, 27, T. 6 N., R. 12 W.
 Operator: Joe Balkovatz
 1016 W. 4th, Anaconda MT 59711
 Owner: Mary L. McCabe
 2010 Haggin Ave., Anaconda MT 59711
 Status: Produced, developing

****GOLDEN JUBILEE MINE** Gold, silver
 Red Lion dist. [66], sec. 14, T. 6 N., R. 13 W.
 Owner-Operator: Golden Jubilee Corp.,
 D. C. Nielsen, Pres.
 Box 322, Philipsburg MT 59858
 Mill capacity: 200 t/w
 Status: Produced, developing

HOPE GROUP Silver, siliceous ore
 Flint Creek dist. [65], sec. 19, T. 7 N., R. 13 W.
 Operator: Contact Mining Co.
 724 S. Western Ave., Butte MT 59701
 Owner: Contact Mining Co.
 P.O. Box 337, Philipsburg MT 59858
 Status: Inactive

****NEW SEATTLE (DOLLY QUARTZ) MINE**
 Silver, gold
 Maxville dist. [63], sec. 9, T. 8 N., R. 13 W.
 Owner-Operator: James E. Maehl and Grace Maehl
 Maxville Star Route, Philipsburg MT 59858
 Status: Producing

***NUT PINE MINE** Gold, silver, tungsten
 Gold Bar Basin-Twin Peaks-Red Lion dist. [66],
 sec. 7, T. 6 N., R. 12 W.
 Owner-Operator: F. N. Earl
 2044 S. Gaylord Ave., Butte MT 59701
 Status: Developing

PARNELL GROUP MINE Silver, copper, lead
 Flint Creek dist. [65], sec. 7, 8, T. 7 N., R. 13 W.
 Owner-Operator: Ethel C. Heaney
 Box 130, Philipsburg MT 59858
 Status: Developing

****QUEEN MINE** Silver, lead
 South Boulder dist. [69],
 SW¼ sec. 33, T. 8 N., R. 12 W.
 Owner-Operator: Mrs. K. W. MacPherson
 St. Helena CA 94574
 Status: Unknown

SILVER KING MINE Gold, silver
 Rock Creek dist. [67], sec. 4, 5, T. 6 N., R. 15 W.
 Operator: Aurum, Inc.
 10th Floor, East Tower, 5080 Spectrum Dr.,
 Dallas TX 75248
 Owner: Charles Byam, Frenett Byam
 P.O. Box 640, Philipsburg MT 59858
 Employees: 4
 Status: Developing

Jefferson County: Boulder 59632

****BASIN JIB GROUP** Gold, silver, copper, lead,
 zinc
 Cataract dist. [73], sec. 18, T. 6 N., R. 5 W.
 Operator: Gladstone Crushing & Construction, Inc.
 1825 Gladstone, Butte MT 59701
 Owner: Silvinite, Inc.
 Butte MT 59701
 Employees: 10
 Mill capacity: 150 t/d
 Status: Producing, developing

****BIG MARY MINE** Gold, silver
 Sec. 10, T. 7 N., R. 2 W.
 Owner-Operator: Horace Wilson
 Box 4012, Helena MT 59601
 Status: Developing

Jefferson County (continued)

- BOULDER CHIEF MINE** Silver, lead
Cataract (Basin) dist. [73], sec. 27, T. 7 N., R. 5 W.
Operator: Medalion Minerals
1804 Lafayette, Butte MT 59701
Owners: Mrs. Esther Brandems, Mrs. Margaret
Evans; Everett WA 98201
Status: Producing, developing
- COMET GROUP** Silver, gold, lead, zinc
Comet dist. [73], sec. 36, T. 7 N., R. 5 W.
Operator: Billern Corp.
Basin MT 59631
Owner: Martyn Salusso, Lloyd Wilhelm
1825 Gladstone, Butte MT 59701
Mill capacity: 150 t/d
Status: Developing
- *CRYSTAL MINE** Gold, silver, copper, lead, zinc
Cataract (Basin) dist. [73], sec. 20, T. 7 N., R. 5 W.
Owner-Operator: Delbert and John Bullock
Basin MT 59631
Status: Inactive
- **EAST RIDGE GROUP** Gold, copper, lead, zinc
Nez Perce dist. [86], sec. 12, T. 3 N., R. 7 W.
Owner-Operator: Leber Mining Co.
36 S. Market St., Elizabethtown PA 17022
Status: Developing
- FLORENCE GROUP** Gold, silver
Sec. 18, T. 2 N., R. 3 W.
Owner-Operator: Lester Lindquist
P.O. Box 373, Whitehall MT 59759
Employees: 2
Status: Developing
- **GOLDEN CURRY (SOURDOUGH) MINE**
Gold, silver, copper, lead, zinc
Elkhorn dist. [79], sec. 10, T. 6 N., R. 3 W.
Operator: Mt. Heagon Dev. Inc.
C. A. Dickey, Pres.
P.O. Box 501, Boulder MT 59632
Owner: John Rothfuss
2100 Oregon Ave., Butte MT 59701
Status: Developing
- **GOLDEN SUNLIGHT GROUP** Gold, silver
Cardwell dist. [88],
sec. 17, 18, 19, 20, T. 2 N., R. 3 W.
Owner-Operator: Golden Sunlight Mines, Inc.
P.O. Box 678, Whitehall MT 59759
Employees: 140
Mill capacity: 5,000 t/d
Status: Producing
- GREY EAGLE GROUP** Gold, silver, lead
Comet dist. [73], sec. 34, 35, 36, 2, 3, T. 6 N. & 7 N.,
R. 4 W. & 5 W.
Owner-Operator: Cumberland Mining Co. Inc.
Jim Knowlson, Pres.
233 S. Washington St., Butte MT 59701
Status: Developing
- **HOPE AND BULLION GROUP** Gold, silver,
copper, lead, zinc
Comet dist. [73], sec. 6, T. 6 N., R. 7 W.;
sec. 31, T. 7 N., R. 5 W.
Operator: Romerio Co.
Boulder MT 59632
Owner: Mrs. A. K. Romerio
19320 Hinsdale, Torrance CA 90503
Status: Unknown
- HUMBOLT MINE** Gold, silver
Homestake dist. [81], sec. 9, T. 3 N., R. 6 W.
Owner-Operator: Stanley L. Boyce
Box 4222, Butte MT 59702
Status: Inactive
- INFINITE GROUP** Gold, silver
Lowland dist. [83], sec. 11, 12, 13, T. 6 N., R. 7 W.
Owner-Operator: Harvey Allen and George Kralicek
Route 1, Box 95, Sheridan MT 59749
Status: Developing
- **KADY GULCH GROUP** Gold, silver, copper,
lead, zinc
Colorado dist. [78], sec. 1, T. 7 N., R. 5 W.;
sec. 6, T. 7 N., R. 4 W.
Owner-Operator: Leber Mining Co.
36 S. Market St., Elizabethtown PA 17022
Status: Developing
- **LUCKY HIT GROUP** Gold, silver, lead
Sec. 19, T. 2 N., R. 3 W.
Operator: Ralph Huckaba
Box 336, Whitehall MT 59759
Owner: Ralph Huckaba and Charlie Weber
Route 2, Box 2228, Whitehall MT 59759
Mill capacity: 60 t/d
Employees: 3
Status: Produced, producing, developing
- MAGDELENA GROUP** Gold, silver
Basin dist. [73], sec. 31, T. 8 N., R. 5 W.;
sec. 36, T. 7 N., R. 6 W.
Owner-Operator: Robert L. Lynn
690 S. Hilltop Rd., Columbia Falls MT 59912
Status: Developing
- MEADOW MINE** Silver, lead
Clancy dist. [77], sec. 34, T. 9 N., R. 3 W.
Owner-Operator: David H. Dennis
Clancy MT 59634
Mill capacity: 75 t/d
Status: Inactive
- MONTANA TUNNEL GROUP** Gold, silver, lead,
zinc
Wickes dist. [78], sec. 8, T. 7 N., R. 4 W.
Operator: Centennial Minerals Inc.
4th Floor Power Block Building
6th and Last Chance Gulch, Helena MT 59601
Owner: U.S. Minerals Exploration Co.
12189 Ralston Road, Suite 200, Arvada CO 80002
Status: Developing

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- MOUNTAIN QUEEN MINE** Copper, silver,
lead, uranium
Big Foot dist. [76], sec. 26, T. 4 N., R. 5 W.
Owner-Operator: William Mulcahy
Box 631, Butte MT 59701
Status: Developing
- **PAYDAY GROUP** Gold, silver
Cardwell dist. [88], sec. 18, T. 2 N., R. 3 W.
Owner-Operator: Ralph Huckaba
Box 336, Whitehall MT 59759
Employees: 1
Mill capacity: 35 t/d
Status: Producing, developing
- *PIERMONT NO. 1 EAST MINE** Lead, gold, silver,
copper, zinc
Cataract dist. [73], sec. 8, T. 7 N., R. 5 W.
Owner-Operator: Raymond L. Beaver
829 N. Lamborn St., Helena MT 59601
Status: Developing
- *RUMLEY MINE** Lead, gold, silver
Comet dist. [73], sec. 36, T. 7 N., R. 5 W.
Owner-Operator: Harold J. Giulio
305 S. Cleveland, Boulder MT 59632
Status: Produced, producing, developing

- STREAK OF LUCK, SUNNYSIDE GROUP**
Gold, silver
Cardwell dist. [88], sec. 18, T. 2 N., R. 3 W.
Owner-Operator: Lester Lindquist
P.O. Box 373, Whitehall MT 59759
Mill capacity: 3 t/d
Status: Produced, producing, developing
- TOURMALINE QUEEN MINE** Gold
Elkhorn dist. [79], sec. 22, T. 6 N., R. 3 W.
Operator: Falcon Explorations
1900 Powell St., Emerville CA 94608
Owner: Wade V. Lewis Estate
Boulder MT 59632
Status: Inactive
- WILD CAT and LINE LODGE** Gold, silver
SE¼ sec. 33, T. 7 N., R. 2 W.
Owner-Operator: Tom Coster
117 - 11th St., Black Eagle MT 59414
Status: Developing

Judith Basin County: Stanford 59479

- **CLENDENNIN GROUP** Lead, silver, zinc
Barker dist. [90], sec. 5, 6, T. 15 N., R. 9 E.
Operator: Croff and Montague
Box 69, Monarch MT 59463
Owner: G. A. Croff and others
Box 69, Monarch MT 59463
Employees: 2
Status: Developing
- LIBERTY MINE** Silver, lead, zinc
Barker dist. [90], sec. 6, 7, 18, T. 15 N., R. 9 E.
Operator: Amax Exploration, Inc.
Giles Walker, District Geologist
Box 5358, Helena MT 59604
Owner: Mrs. G. V. R. McBride and others
Box 905, Monarch MT 59643
Status: Inactive
- **MONTGOMERY and SAN MIGUEL MINE**
Gold, silver, copper, lead, zinc
Barker dist. [90], sec. 31, T. 15 N., R. 9 E.
Owner-Operator: Mrs. G. V. R. McBride
Box 905, Monarch MT 59463
Status: Developing
- **SETTER MINE** Silver, copper, lead
Running Wolf dist. [91], sec. 21, T. 14 N., R. 10 E.
Operator: Don Prickett
232 Wapita Dr., Bayfield CA 81122
Owner: Setter Mining Co.
Box 322, Stanford MT 59479
Status: Inactive

Lewis and Clark County: Helena 59601

- **GRAY ROCK MINE** Gold, copper, zinc
Owyhee dist. [98], sec. 11, T. 9 N., R. 4 W.
Owner-Operator: Carl A. Tintinger
Box 658, Helena MT 59624
Status: Developing
- **HUMDINGER GROUP** Gold, copper,
molybdenum
Sec. 35, T. 13 N., R. 9 W.
Owner-Operator: Guy E. Maycumber
2217 Hwy. 2E, Kalispell MT 59901
Status: Developing
- INDEPENDENT MINE** Gold, copper, zinc, uranium
Owyhee dist. [98], sec. 11, T. 9 N., R. 4 W.
Owner-Operator: Carl A. Tintinger
Box 658, Helena MT 59624
Status: Produced, developing
- **MARYSVILLE PROJECT** Gold, silver
Marysville dist. [100], sec. 33, 34, T. 12 N., R. 5 W.;
sec. 36, T. 12 N., R. 6 W.
Owner-Operator: Goldsil Mining and Milling, Inc.,
P.O. Box 5626, Helena MT 59604
Employees: 4
Mill capacity: 500 t/d
Status: Developing

Lewis and Clark County (continued)

MONTE CHRISTO MINE Gold, silver, copper, lead
Rimini (Vaughn) dist. [103], sec. 17, T. 8 N., R. 5 W.
Owner-Operator: Hans Mo
1500 Madison Ave., Helena MT 59601
Status: Developing

NEW VALLEY FORGE MINE Silver, lead
Rimini dist. [103], sec. 33, T. 9 N., R. 5 W.
Owner-Operator: Medallion Minerals
1804 Lafayette Ave., Butte MT 59704
Mill capacity: 10 t/d
Employees: 1
Status: Developing

PEGGY ANN MINE Gold, silver
Sec. 24, T. 13 N., R. 7 W.
Operator: Peggy Ann Mines, Inc.
C. E. Mannix, President
Box 494, Canyon Creek MT 59633
Owner: C. E. Mannix
12520 - 19 N.E., Seattle WA 98125
Status: Inactive

****SKY MINE** Gold, silver, copper, zinc
Owyhee dist. [98], sec. 2, 11, T. 9 N., R. 4 W.
Owner-Operator: Carl A. Tintinger
1857 Oro Fino Gulch, Helena MT 59601
Status: Developing

****TWILIGHT GROUP** Gold, silver, copper, barite
Helena dist. [98], sec. 2, T. 9 N., R. 2 W.
Owner-Operator: Charles Hansen
Box 309, Big Sandy MT 59520
Status: Developing

Lincoln County: Libby 59923

CABLEWAY GROUP Silver, lead, gold
Sec. 33, T. 28 N., R. 31 W.
Owner-Operator: Donald C. and Marie O. Cripe
Route 1, Box 929-B, Libby MT 59923
Status: Developing

GOLDEN WEST MINE Gold, silver
Cabinet dist. [107], sec. 34 E½, T. 27 N., R. 31 W.
Owner-Operator: AMCO Minerals
1018 Antimony, Dept. B, Butte MT 59701
Status: Exploration

****PRINCESS ETHNE** Gold, silver
West Fisher dist. sec. 26, T. 27 N., R. 31 W.
Owner-Operator: Rockie Nethercott
Route 1, Box 164, Polson MT 59860
Mill capacity: 1 t/d
Employees: 1
Status: Producing, developing

TROY UNIT Silver, copper
Sec. 12, 13, 14, 23, 24, 25, 26, 35, 36,
T. 29 N., R. 34 W.
Operator: Troy Unit, ASARCO, Inc.
Jack Bingham, Project Manager
Box 868, Troy MT 59935
Owner: ASARCO, Inc.
120 Broadway, New York NY 10271
Mill capacity: 8,500 t/d
Employees: 350
Status: Producing

Madison County: Virginia City 59755

ALAMEDA-WAKOOSTA MINE Gold, silver
Virginia City dist. [129], sec. 27, 28, T. 6 S., R. 3 W.
Owner-Operator: Cumberland Mining Co., Inc.
Jim Knowlson, Pres.
283 S. Washington St., Butte MT 59701
Status: Inactive

***ATLANTIC PACIFIC MINE** Gold, silver, copper
Mineral Hill dist. [119], sec. 20, T. 2 S., R. 3 W.
Owner-Operator: Fred Box Estate, Oleta C. Box
Pony MT 59747
Status: Inactive

B & H (PETE & JOE) GROUP Gold, silver,
copper, lead
Tidal Wave dist. [128], sec. 7, T. 3 S., R. 4 W.
Operator: Winchester Gold Co.
451 Jefferson, 400 Building, Spokane WA 99204
Owner: Gold Ranch Mining Corp.
Twin Bridges MT 59754
Employees: 4
Status: Developing

BADGER NO. 1 and NO. 2 MINES Gold, silver
Norris (Lower Hot Springs) dist. [17],
sec. 19, 20, T. 3 S., R. 1 E.
Owner-Operator: Earl Clopton
P.O. Box 66, Norris MT 59745
Mill capacity: 4 t/d
Status: Developing

Madison County (continued)

- BESSIE and GOLDEN WAVE MINE** Gold, silver, copper, tungsten
 Mineral Hill dist. [119], sec. 14, 15, T. 2 S., R. 2 W.
 Owner-Operator: W. G. Forbes
 Pony MT 59747
 Mill capacity: 10 t/d
 Employees: 3
 Status: Developing
- DIVIDEND LODGE MINE** Gold, silver
 Mineral Hill dist. [119], sec. 15, T. 2 S., R. 3 W.
 Owner-Operator: Richard F. Horton and Mildred M. Horton
 1304 N. 195th, Seattle WA 98133
 Status: Inactive
- DON-A-VERA GROUP** Gold, silver
 Fairweather dist. [129],
 sec. 25, 26, 35, T. 6 S., R. 3 W.
 Owner-Operator: Western Division, Tabor Mines and Metals Corp., c/o A. J. Katches
 Box 252, Virginia City MT 59755
 Status: Developing
- EAGLE BLACK GROUP** Gold, silver, copper
 Highland dist. [129],
 sec. 2, 3, 10, 11, T. 7 S., R. 3 W.
 Owner-Operator: Western Division, Tabor Mines and Metals Corp., c/o A. J. Katches
 Box 252, Virginia City MT 59755
 Status: Developing
- FRIDA MARIE GROUP** Gold
 Silver Star dist. [126], sec. 10, 11, T. 2 S., R. 6 W.
 Operator: Northern Mining Co., Inc.
 P.O. Box 583, Sheridan MT 59749
 Owner: Robert Decker, Sr., Frida Decker, Russ Herman
 P.O. Box 583, Sheridan MT 59749
 Employees: 2
 Status: Developing
- *GLENAM CLAIM** Gold, silver
 Mill Creek dist. [125], sec. 24, T. 4 S., R. 4 W.
 Operator: Richard Anderson
 P.O. Box 154, Sheridan MT 59749
 Owner: Goldstream Corporation
 2163 South 2700 West, West Valley City UT 84119
 Employees: 3
 Status: Developing
- **GREEN CAMPBELL MINE** Gold
 Silver Star dist. [126], sec. 3, T. 2 S., R. 6 W.
 Owner-Operator: United Investors Corporation
 L. S. Leatham, President
 546 DeSoto St., Salt Lake City UT 84103
 Mill capacity: 100 t/d
 Status: Developing
- **GRUBSTAKE MINE** Gold, silver
 Lower Hot Springs dist. [117],
 sec. 19, 24, 30, T. 3 S., R. 1 E.
 Operator: Sam Phifer, Mgr.
 P.O. Box 2812, Norris MT 59745
 Owner: Resources America, Inc.
 P.O. Box 1843, Winter Park FL 32790
 Mill capacity: 100 t/d
 Employees: 14
 Status: Developing, inactive
- **HIGH HOPE MINE** Gold, silver
 Mill Creek dist. [125], sec. 9, T. 4 S., R. 3 W.
 Operator: Raymond D. Shafer
 Sheridan MT 59749
 Owner: Raymond Shafer and Dorothy Buck
 Sheridan MT 59749
 Status: Developing
- HIGHRIDGE MINE** Gold, silver
 Tidal Wave dist. [128], sec. 27, T. 3 S., R. 5 W.
 Operator: George Guay
 532 Howard Ave., Billings MT 59101
 Owner: Gold Ridge Mining Co.
 532 Howard Ave., Billings MT 59101
 Employees: 2
 Status: Developing
- JACK RABBIT MINE** Gold, silver, lead
 Rochester dist. [122], sec. 21, T. 2 S., R. 8 W.
 Owner-Operator: Jim McLaughlin
 Route 1, Box 22, Sheridan MT 59749
 Status: Inactive
- **KENNETT-BERTHA MINE** Gold, silver, lead, zinc, manganese
 Virginia City (Alder Gulch) dist. [129],
 sec. 5, T. 6 S., R. 2 W.
 Operator: Hughes Mining Co., Inc.
 Rick Hughes, Drawer J, Twin Bridges MT 59754
 Owner: Kennett Gold Corp.
 Twin Bridges MT 59754
 Status: Developing
- KEYHOLD GROUP** Gold, silver
 Highland dist. [129], sec. 1, 12, T. 7 S., R. 3 W.
 Owner-Operator: Western Division, Tabor Mines and Metals Corp., c/o A. J. Katches
 Box 252, Virginia City MT 59755
 Status: Developing
- MADDEN GROUP** Gold
 Virginia City (Alder Gulch) dist. [129],
 sec. 12, T. 7 S., R. 3 W.
 Owner-Operator: Lively Mining Co.
 Box 96, Melrose MT 59743
 Status: Developing

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- **MAMMOTH MINE** Gold
Mammoth dist. [127], sec. 7, 18, T. 2 S., R. 3 W.
Operator: South Boulder Mining Corp.
R. Von Kleist, President
Box 696, Whitehall MT 59759
Owner: Ed Workman
Box 4, Cardwell MT 59721
Status: Inactive
- MORNING STAR MINE** Silver, zinc
Lower Hot Springs dist. [117],
sec. 28, 29, T. 3 S., R. 1 E.
Owner-Operator: R. B. Farnsworth Estate
P.O. Box 788, Bozeman MT 59715
Status: Inactive
- MOUNTAIN VIEW MINE** Gold, silver
Tidal Wave dist. [128], sec. 2, 3, T. 3 S., R. 5 W.
Owner-Operator: Johnson-Reid Corp.
Reid Kephart, Pres.
2000 Harrison Ave., Butte MT 59701
Status: Developing
- NELLIE BLY GROUP** Gold
Highland dist. [129], sec. 1, 12, T. 7 S., R. 3 W.
Owner-Operator: Western Division,
Tabor Mines and Metals Corp., c/o A. J. Katches
Box 252, Virginia City MT 59755
Status: Developing
- NEW WINNETKA TRUST GROUP** Gold, silver
Highland dist. [129], sec. 1, 2, T. 7 S., R. 3 W.
Owner-Operator: A. J. Katches
Box 275, Virginia City MT 59755
Status: Developing
- PEARL GROUP** Gold, silver
Alder Gulch dist. [129], sec. 1, 2, T. 7 S., R. 3 W.
Owner-Operator: Western Division,
Tabor Mines and Metals Corp., c/o A. J. Katches
Box 252, Virginia City MT 59755
Status: Developing
- RED PINE MINE** Gold, silver
Sheridan dist. [125], sec. 34, T. 3 S., R. 4 W.;
sec. 3, T. 4 S., R. 4 W.
Owner-Operator: Shermont Mining Co.
John Magnus, Pres., Box 254, Sheridan MT 59749
Mill capacity: 50 t/d
Status: Producing, developing
- RIDGEWAY MINE** Gold
Operator: Modern Technology Mining Corp.
Gerald A. Hanneman, Pres.
P.O. Box 4753, Missoula MT 59801
Owner: Evelyn Hines
2526 Stanley Dr., Route 3, Moses Lake WA 98837
Status: Inactive
- ST. JOHN GROUP** Gold, silver
Highland dist. [129], sec. 1, T. 7 S., R. 2 W.
Owner-Operator: Western Division,
Tabor Mines and Metals Corp., c/o A. J. Katches
Box 252, Virginia City MT 59755
Status: Developing
- SCALDED CAT MINE** Gold, silver
Mineral Hill dist. [119], sec. 14, T. 2 S., R. 3 W.
Operator: Jean Clary
5375 S. Sandhill Rd., Las Vegas NV 89120
Owner: Jean Clary and Jack Clary
5375 S. Sandhill Rd., Las Vegas NV 89120
Status: Inactive
- SHORT SHIFT MINE** Gold
Rabbit dist. [122], SE¼ sec. 6, T. 2 S., R. 7 W.
Owner-Operator: John A. Layton Estate
c/o D. J. Thiessen, 216 - 13 W., Billings MT 59102
Mill capacity: 20 t/d
Status: Inactive
- SILVER CROWN MINE** Gold, silver, lead
Unorg. dist. sec. 5, T. 2 S., T. 2 E.
Operator: Clinton A. Cain
Box 2864, Norris MT 59745
Owner: Silver Crown Mines, Inc.,
Clinton Cain, Pres., Norris MT 59745
Status: Inactive
- SPUHLER GROUP** Gold, silver, lead
Sec. 20, T. 3 S., R. 4 W.
Owner-Operator: Harvey Allen
Route 1, Box 95, Sheridan MT 59749
Status: Developing
- STRAWN MINE** Gold, silver, antimony
Unorg., sec. 18, T. 2 S., R. 4 W.
Operator: Sam Bear Mining Co.
Twin Bridges MT 59754
Owner: Dale Bros.
Box 302, Twin Bridges MT 59754
Mill capacity: 20 t/d
Employees: 2
Status: Produced, developing
- UNCLE SAM MINE** Gold, silver
Mill Creek dist. [125], NE¼ sec. 17, T. 4 S., R. 3 W.
Owner-Operator: Steve Mortensen and
Audrey Mortensen
Sheridan MT 59749
Employees: 3
Mill capacity: 40 t/d
Status: Producing, developing
- VALLEY VIEW MINES** Gold, silver
Williams Gulch dist. [129], sec. 29, T. 6 S., R. 3 W.
Operator: Jim Thomas
Box 52, Virginia City MT 59755
Owner: St. Lawrence Consolidated Mines, Inc.
Box 52, Virginia City MT 59755
Status: Inactive
- WATSECA MINE** Gold, silver
Rabbit dist. [122], sec. 31, 32, T. 2 S., R. 3 W.
Owner-Operator: Rocky Mountain Minerals, Inc.
W. Ray Hill, Pres., P.O. Box 489, Butte MT 59701
Mill capacity: 200 t/d
Employees: 3
Status: Developing

Meagher County: White Sulphur Springs 59645

BIGLER GROUP Gold

Thompson Creek dist. [131], sec. 28, T. 9 N., R. 4 E.
 Operator: G & M Mining
 c/o Richard K. Geordge and Kenneth McGuire
 P.O. Box 510, White Sulphur Springs MT 59645
 Owner: A. J. Burchak and Travis Belue
 213 Collins, Lavina MT 59046; and
 1242 Avenue F, Billings MT 59102
 Employees: 6
 Status: Produced, producing, developing

*LOGGERS DREAM Gold, silver
 Beaver Creek dist. [131], sec. 32, T. 9 N., R. 4 E.
 Operator: Gypsy Creek Mining Co.
 Lloyd Craig, President
 White Sulphur Springs MT 59645
 Owner: Lloyd T. Craig
 Box 778, White Sulphur Springs MT 59645
 Status: Inactive

LUCKY DOLLAR MINE Lead, silver
 Castle Mountains dist. [132], sec. 12, T. 8 N., R. 8 E.
 Owner-Operator: Carl Berg
 Box 126, Martinsdale MT 59053
 Status: Developing

*McDANIEL COPPER GROUP Silver, copper, lead,
 barite
 Unorg. dist. sec. 17, 18, T. 13 N., R. 7 E.
 Owner-Operator: Duane McDaniel
 Box 33, Neihart MT 59465
 Status: Developing

SNOW BANK MINE Gold
 Beaver Creek dist. [131], sec. 28, T. 9 N., R. 4 E.
 Operator: G & M Mining
 Richard K. Geordge and Kenneth McGuire
 P.O. Box 510, White Sulphur Springs MT 59645
 Owner: Steve and Mary Helburn
 1301 Loreauville Rd., New Iberia LA 70560
 Employees: 2
 Status: Produced, producing, developing

Mineral County: Superior 59872

AMAZON-DIXIE MINE Copper, lead, zinc
 Saltese dist. [136], sec. 4, 5, T. 19 N., R. 32 W.
 Owner-Operator: Amazon-Dixie Mining Co.
 Box 469, Scott Bldg., Wallace ID 83873
 Status: Unknown

BONANZA GROUP Gold, silver, copper, lead,
 barite
 Cedar Creek dist. [135], sec. 29, T. 15 N., R. 26 W.
 Owner-Operator: G. M. Gildersleeve
 Box 568, Superior MT 59872
 Status: Developing

*CROWN SILVER GROUP Lead, zinc, copper,
 silver
 Sec. 19, 20, T. 20 N., R. 31 W.
 Operator: Frank A. Morbeck
 Box 1127, Wallace ID 83873
 Owner: Crown Silver Mining Co.
 504 Bank St., Box 1127, Wallace ID 83873
 Employees: 4
 Status: Developing

EAST COEUR D'ALENE SILVER MINE Silver,
 copper, lead, zinc
 Keystone dist. [138], sec. 17, T. 18 N., R. 26, 27 W.
 Owner-Operator: East Coeur d'Alene Silver
 Mines, Inc.
 Scott Bldg., Wallace ID 83873
 Status: Unknown

LITTLE ANACONDA GROUP Silver, lead, zinc
 Sec. 35, T. 18 N., R. 26 W.
 Operator: Sunrise Silver Mines
 c/o Hugh G. King, Frenchtown MT 59834
 Owner: Hugh G. King and Lucinda Cone
 Box 8717, Missoula MT 59807
 Status: Inactive

RIVERS CREEK MINE Silver, lead
 Saltese dist. [136], sec. 5, T. 18 N., R. 30 W.
 Owner-Operator: Charles L. Kannegaard and
 Ray and Charles Minnick
 Box 386, Medical Lake WA 99022
 Status: Unknown

SILVER CABLE GROUP Lead, zinc, copper, silver
 Sec. 24, T. 20 N., R. 31 W.
 Operator: Frank A. Morbeck
 Box 1127, Wallace ID 83873
 Owner: Silver Cable Mining Co.
 504 Bank St., Box 1127, Wallace ID 83873
 Status: Developing

SILVER PEAK GROUP Lead, zinc, copper, silver
 Sec. 10, T. 20 N., R. 32 W.
 Operator: Frank A. Morbeck
 Box 1127, Wallace ID 83873
 Owner: Silver Peak Mining Co.
 504 Bank St., Box 1127, Wallace ID 83873
 Status: Developing

Missoula County: Missoula 59801

CHARCOAL GROUP Lead, zinc, silver, copper
Coloma dist. [143], sec. 11, T. 12 N., R. 16 W.
Owner-Operator: Esther Keller
547 S. 5th St. W., Missoula MT 59801
Status: Inactive

****NINE MILE MINE** Gold
Nine Mile Creek dist. [146],
sec. 21, 22, 27, 28, T. 17 N., R. 24 W.
Operator: Nine Mile Mines, Inc.
Box 100, Huson MT 59846
Owner: Nine Mile Mines, Inc.
Box 1329, Park City UT 84060
Mill capacity: 150 t/d
Employees: 6
Status: Developing

NUGGET MINE Lead, zinc, copper, silver
Nine Mile Creek dist. [146],
sec. 13, T. 16 N., R. 23 W.
Operator: Frank A. Morbeck
Box 684, Wallace ID 83873
Owner: Nugget Mining Co.
504½ Bank St., Box 1127, Wallace ID 83873
Status: Developing

SILVER BELL GROUP Copper, silver, gold
Clinton dist. [142], sec. 17, T. 12 N., R. 16 W.
Operator: Silver Bell, Inc.
965 - 8th St. W. Riverside, Missoula MT 59801
Owner: Del Fontaine, Les Bonnet, Del Holter,
Richard Souders
965 - 8th St. W. Riverside, Missoula MT 59801
Status: Developing

WALDBILLIG MINE Copper, silver, gold
Sec. 1, 2, T. 11 N., R. 19 W.
Owner-Operator: Joe and O. R. Waldbillig
Route 5, Miller Creek, Missoula MT 59801
Status: Developing

WALLACE CREEK CUSTOM MILL Gold, silver,
copper, lead
Wallace Creek dist. [146], sec. 24, T. 12 N., R. 17 W.
Operator: Wallace Creek Milling Co.,
Harold Ask, Supv.
23001 Wallace Creek Rd., Clinton MT 59825
Owner: Wallace Creek Milling Co., 820 Denver Ctr.
1776 Lincoln St., Denver CO 80203
Mill capacity: 50-100 t/d
Status: Inactive

****WARD LODE MINE** Gold, silver, copper, lead,
zinc
Sec. 22, T. 11 N., R. 22 W.
Owner-Operator: Nyvatex Marketing
Box 1835, Billings MT 59103
Status: Inactive

Park County: Livingston 59047

ACME GROUP Silver, lead
New World dist. [154], sec. 34, T. 8 S., R. 14 E.
Owner-Operator: Margaret Reeb
Box 301, Livingston MT 59047
Status: Developing

****BAR GROUP** Gold, silver, lead, copper,
molybdenum
Emigrant dist. [151], sec. 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 16, 17, 19,
20, 21 and 30, T. 7 S., R. 9 E.
Operator: J. H. Counts
221 South C St., Livingston MT 59047
Owner: J. H. Counts, Jr., Silase Counts and
Steven J. Counts
622 S. 12th St., Livingston MT 59047
Status: Developing

BARBARA ANN MINE Gold, silver, lead, copper
Sec. 26, 35, T. 6 S., R. 9 E.
Owner-Operator: Barbara Prather
Apt. 147, 3477 E. 49th Ave.,
Vancouver, B.C., Canada V5S 1M3
Status: Unknown

***COPPER GROUP** Copper, iron, nickel
Emigrant dist. [151], sec. 1, 2, 3, T. 7 S., R. 8 E.
Operator: J. H. Counts
221 South C St., Livingston MT 59047
Owner: J. H. Counts, Jr., Silase Counts and
Steven J. Counts
221 South C St., Livingston MT 59047
Status: Developing

COPPER KING GROUP Platinum, palladium,
copper, molybdenum, gold, silver
New World dist. [154], sec. 19, T. 8 S., R. 15 E.
Owner-Operator: Copper King Mining Co.
Margaret Reeb, President
Box 301, Livingston MT 59047
Status: Developing

GOLDEN GRIZZLY GROUP Gold, silver, copper
New World dist. [154], sec. 2, 3, 10, 11, 12, 13,
T. 9 S., R. 14 E.
Owner-Operator: Ranchers Exploration and Development Corp., J. E. Matica, Mgr. Spec. Proj.
P. O. Box 6217, Albuquerque NM 87197
Status: Inactive

Park County (continued)

GOOSE LAKE GROUP Platinum, palladium, copper, lead, tungsten, gold, silver
New World dist. [154], sec. 19, T. 15 E., R. 8 S.
Owner-Operator: Margaret Reeb
Box 301, Livingston MT 59047
Status: Developing

**HENDERSON GROUP Gold, silver, copper
New World dist. [154], sec. 14, T. 9 S., R. 14 E.
Owner-Operator: Margaret Reeb
Box 301, Livingston MT 59047
Status: Developing

*HOPE GROUP Copper, silver
Emigrant dist. [151], sec. 36, T. 6 S., R. 8 E.
Operator: J. H. Counts
221 South C St., Livingston MT 59047
Owner: J. H. Counts, Jr., Silase Counts and Steven J. Counts
221 South C St., Livingston MT 59047
Status: Developing

**MAGNITITE GROUP Gold, silver, lead, iron, copper, nickel
Emigrant dist. [151],
sec. 2, 10, 11, 12, 18, 21, 24, 25, T. 7 S., R. 8 E.
Operator: J. H. Counts
221 South C St., Livingston MT 59047
Owner: J. H. Counts, Jr., Silase Counts and Steven J. Counts
221 South C St., Livingston MT 59047
Status: Developing

MOHAWK MINE Gold, lead, silver
New World dist. [154], sec. 25, 36, T. 9 S., R. 14 E.
Operator: Durden Construction and Cop
Construction
Box 845, Colstrip MT 59323
Owner: Durden Construction and Cop
Construction
Box 39189, Billings MT 59104
Status: Developing

NEW WORLD PROJECT Gold, copper
New World dist. [154], sec. 11, T. 9 S., R. 14 W.
Owner-Operator: Plexus Resources Inc.
A. H. Ditto, Pres.
Suite 781, 175 SW Temple St.,
Salt Lake City UT 84101
Status: Developing

**REPUBLIC MINES Lead, silver, zinc
New World dist. [154], sec. 36, T. 9 S., R. 14 E.
Owner-Operator: Ralph Huckaba
Box 336, Whitehall MT 59759
Employees: 2
Mill capacity: 35 t/d
Status: Produced, developing

Phillips County: Malta 59538

*GOLD BUG-LITTLE BEN-AUGUST GROUP
Gold, silver
Little Rockies dist. [155], sec. 15, T. 25 N., R. 24 E.
Operator: Zortman-Landusky Mining Co.
Bob Turner, Resident Manager
P.O. Box 313, Zortman MT 59546
Owner: Wharf Resources, 2790 Scotia Centre,
700-2d St. SW, Calgary, Alberta, Canada T2P2W2
Mill capacity: 14,000 t/d
Employees: 85
Status: Producing

MONTANA GROUP Gold, silver
Little Rockies dist. [155],
sec. 10, 11, 12, 14 and 15, T. 25 N., R. 24 E.
Owner-Operator: Zortman-Landusky Mining Co.
Bob Turner, Resident Manager
P.O. Box 313, Zortman MT 59546
Employees: 85
Status: Developing

*RUBY GULCH MINE Gold, silver
Little Rockies dist. [155], sec. 18, T. 25 N., R. 25 E.
Operator: Zortman-Landusky Mining Co.
Bob Turner, Resident Manager
P.O. Box 313, Zortman MT 59546
Owner: Gold Reserve Corp.
503 Northtown Office Bldg., Spokane WA 99207
Mill capacity: 14,000 t/d
Employees: 85
Status: Producing

Powell County: Deer Lodge 59722

AMANDA MINE Gold, silver
Elliston dist. [157], sec. 22, T. 8 N., T. 6 W.
Owner-Operator: Enard Lindquist and
James R. Dixon
1805 Joslyn, Helena MT 59601
Status: Developing

***BARRY DEAN MINE** Gold
Zosell dist. [158], sec. 10, T. 7 N., R. 8 W.
Owner-Operator: Lionel C. Taft
920 - 65th Ave. NE, Puyallup WA 98371
Status: Developing

****ELLISTON CONSOLIDATED GROUP**
Lead, zinc, silver, gold
Elliston dist. [157],
sec. 5, 8, 10, 15, 22, T. 8 N., R. 6 W.
Owner-Operator: Elliston Consolidated Mining Co.
c/o Dave R. Newman, Box 396, Elliston MT 59728
Employees: 1
Status: Developing

MONARCH MINE Gold, silver, copper
Ontario dist. [157], sec. 30, 31, T. 8 N., R. 6 W.
Owner-Operator: Monarch Minerals, Inc.
D. L. Jones, Mgr., Box 33, Helena MT 59601
Status: Inactive

NEGROS MINE Gold, silver, lead, zinc
Nigger Hill dist. [157],
SE ¼ SW ¼ sec. 36, T. 9 N., R. 7 W.
Owner-Operator: James R. Dixon, Box 302, Elliston
MT 59728; Enard Lindquist, 1805 Joslyn, Helena
MT 59601
Status: Inactive

NORTH POLE MINE Silver, copper, zinc, gold
Elliston dist. [157], sec. 29, T. 8 N., R. 6 W.
Operator: James R. Dixon
Box 302, Elliston MT 59728
Owner: James R. Dixon and Dorothy E. Dixon
Box 302, Elliston MT 59728
Status: Inactive

THIRD TERM MINE Zinc, copper, gold, silver, lead
Elliston dist. [157], sec. 28, T. 9 N., R. 6 W.
Owner-Operator: Delbert Woodley
Box 353, Warm Springs Rd., Garrison MT 59731
Status: Developing

TIBBETTS MINE Gold
Sec. 7, 8, T. 8 N., R. 11 W.
Operator: Clifford Hatton
2501 S. Dakota St., Butte MT 59701
Owner: Clifford Hatton and others
2501 S. Dakota St., Butte MT 59701
Status: Developing

Ravalli County: Hamilton 59840

***CURLEW MINE** Silver, lead
Pleasant View dist. [168], sec. 13, T. 8 N., R. 21 W.
Owner-Operator: Holter Estate, c/o First National
Bank, Helena MT 59601
Status: Inactive

LBJ, PIC AND PER GROUPS Gold, silver, platinum
Sec. 8, 17, T. 2 S., R. 22 W.,
sec. 35, 36, T. 1 S., R. 22 W.
Operator: Aljon Mining and Exploration, Inc.
716 South First Street, Hamilton MT 59840
Owner: Aljon Mining and Exploration, Inc.
West Fork Road, Darby MT 59829
Employees: 2
Status: Developing

****VIOLET GROUP** Molybdenum, tungsten,
silver, gold
Mineral Point dist. [167],
sec. 22, 28, 29, T. 4 S., R. 22 W.
Owner-Operator: Mary W. Motley
121 Parkside Apts., #205
121 State St., Hamilton MT 59840
Status: Inactive

***WOODS CREEK COPPER MINE** Copper,
silver, gold
Mineral Point dist. [167],
sec. 16, 17, 20 and 21, T. 3 S., R. 22 W.
Owner-Operator: Shook Mines, Inc.,
Earnest J. Shook, Pres.
Box 77, Darby MT 59829
Status: Developing

Sanders County: Thompson Falls 59873

BABE #1 (old Sid claim) Copper
Trout Creek dist. [171], sec. 24, T. 24 N., R. 32 W.
Owner-Operator: Sidney A. deBarathy
2900 Sherman Ave., Butte MT 59701
Employees: 1
Status: Inactive

BAY CHIEF MINE Lead, silver, copper
Sec. 14, 23, T. 20 N., R. 28 W.
Operator: U.S. Antimony Corp.
John C. Lawrence, President
Box 643, Thompson Falls MT 59873
Owner: State Mining Co.
509 N. Main St., Colville WA 99114
Status: Inactive

Sanders County (continued)

HEIDELBERG MINE Gold, silver
SE $\frac{1}{4}$ sec. 29, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ sec. 32, T. 27 N., R. 31 W.
Owner-Operator: Heidelberg Mining and
Leasing Co. (G. A. Myers)
1001 W. Court St., Pasco WA 99301
Employees: 3
Status: Developing

LUCKY LADY GROUP Gold, silver, lead, zinc
Blue Creek dist. [171], sec. 10, T. 27 N., R. 34 W.
Owner-Operator: J. C. Brooks Estate
c/o Geraldine LaMarche, Route 1, Box 132, Sagle
ID 83860; Ralph Dettwiler, Noxon MT 59853
Status: Inactive

MONTRO GOLD MINES Lead, silver, copper, gold
Plains dist. [173], SE $\frac{1}{4}$ sec. 4, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ sec. 3,
T. 19 N., R. 26 W.
Operator: William L. Burns
Moise MT 59824
Owner: Mrs. Marion R. Kruger and William L. Burns
Plains MT 59859
Status: Inactive

RAVEN MINE Copper, silver
Thompson River dist. [179],
NW $\frac{1}{4}$ sec. 4, T. 21 N., R. 28 W.; and
SW $\frac{1}{4}$ sec. 33, T. 22 N., R. 28 W.
Owner-Operator: Raven Mining Co.,
Austin Monk, Pres., Marion MT 59925
Status: Inactive

Silver Bow County: Butte 59701

***BERKELEY PIT** Copper, gold, silver
Summit Valley dist. [183], sec. 5, 6, 7, 8, 18,
T. 3 N., R. 7 W.
Owner-Operator: Anaconda Minerals Co.
J. F. Gardner, Operations Manager
Box 689, Butte MT 59701
Mill capacity: 42,000 t/d
Status: Inactive

DAY AND HARVEY GROUP Silver, gold
Moose Creek dist. [190], sec. 9, T. 1 S., R. 8 W.
Owner-Operator: Royal Apex Silver, Inc.
P.O. Box 886, Wallace ID 83873
Status: Developing

***EAST BERKELEY PIT** Copper, molybdenum
Summit Valley dist. [183], sec. 5, 6, 7, 8, 18,
T. 3 N., R. 7 W.
Owner-Operator: Anaconda Minerals Co.
J. F. Gardner, Gen. Mgr., Montana Operations
Box 687, Butte MT 59701
Employees: 737
Mill capacity: 42,000 t/d
Status: Inactive

EMMA MINE Gold, silver
Highland dist. [187], sec. 29, T. 1 N., R. 7 W.
Owner-Operator: Howard Stratton
2619 Walnut St., Butte MT 59701
Mill capacity: 5 t/d
Status: Producing, developing

FOURTH ESTATE MINE Fluorspar, gold
Summit Valley dist. [183], sec. 13, T. 3 N., R. 7 W.
Owner-Operator: Tom Helehan
Box 235, Butte MT 59701
Status: Developing

LAST CHANCE MINE Gold, silver
Highland dist. [187], sec. 28, T. 1 N., R. 7 W.
Owner-Operator: Howard Stratton
2619 Walnut St., Butte MT 59701
Status: Developing

MONTE CLARK GROUP Silver, copper
Moose Creek dist. [190],
sec. 25, 30, T. 1 S., R. 8, 9 W.
Owner-Operator: Lively's, Inc.
Box 96, Melrose MT 59743
Status: Developing

MOONLIGHT MINE Gold, silver
Highland dist. [187], sec. 28, T. 1 N., R. 7 W.
Owner-Operator: Howard Stratton
2619 Walnut St., Butte MT 59701
Status: Developing

PEABODY MINE Silver, lead
Soap Gulch dist. [189], sec. 6, T. 1 S., R. 8 W.
Owner-Operator: Lively's, Inc.
Box 96, Melrose MT 59743
Status: Inactive

STRATTON MINE Gold, silver, copper
Highland dist. [187], sec. 32, T. 1 N., R. 7 W.
Owner-Operator: Howard Stratton
2619 Walnut St., Butte MT 59701
Employees: 2
Status: Developing

***WRONG FONT GROUP** Gold, silver
Summit Valley dist. [183], sec. 24, T. 3 N., R. 9 W.
Owner-Operator: Tom Helehan
Box 235, Butte MT 59701
Status: Developing

Iron Mines

Meagher County: White Sulphur Springs 59645

*BLACK BUTTE MINE Iron
 Sec. 34, T. 12 N., R. 6 E.
 Operator: Hallett Minerals Co.
 Irving Sewell, General Manager
 Box 169, Livingston MT 59047
 Owner: R. Borland and J. Potter
 White Sulphur Springs MT 59645
 Employees: 3
 Status: Producing

Molybdenum Mines

Beaverhead County: Dillon 59725

ELKHORN GROUP Molybdenum, silver
 Elkhorn dist. [13],
 sec. 15, 21, 22, 27, 28, T. 4 S., R. 12 W.
 Owner-Operator: Timberline Minerals, Inc.
 John A. Wells, Bd. Chm.
 Box 308, Dubois WY 82513
 Status: Inactive

Broadwater County: Townsend 59644

*SPOKANE HILLS MINE Tungsten, molybdenum
 Winston dist. [37], sec. 11, 12, T. 9 N., R. 1 W.
 Owner-Operator: West Gate Mining & Construction
 3301 San Mateo NE, Suite 200,
 Albuquerque NM 87110
 Status: Inactive

Ravalli County: Hamilton 59840

VIOLET GROUP Molybdenum, tungsten, silver, gold
 Mineral Point dist. [167],
 sec. 22, 28, 29, T. 4 S., R. 22 W.
 Owner-Operator: Mary W. Motley
 121 Parkside Apts., #205
 121 State St., Hamilton MT 59840
 Status: Inactive

Titanium Mines

Teton County: Choteau 59422

*CHOTEAU PROJECT Titanium, iron, zircon
 Sec. 11, 12, 13, 14, T. 25 N., R. 6 W.;
 sec. 18, T. 25 N., R. 5 W.
 Owner-Operator: Earthsearch, Inc.
 7100 W. 44th St., Suite 201, Wheatridge CO 80033
 Status: Developing

Tungsten Mines

Beaverhead County: Dillon 59725

THUNDERBIRD GROUP Silver, tungsten,
molybdenum
Elkhorn dist. [13],
sec. 14, 15, 22, 23, T. 4 S., R. 12 W.
Owner-Operator: Thunderbird Resources,
Don L. Jenkins, Pres.
P. O. Box 506, Corvallis MT 59828
Employees: 2
Status: Developing

Broadwater County: Townsend 59644

*SPOKANE HILLS MINE Tungsten, molybdenum
Winston dist. [37], sec. 11, 12, T. 9 N., R. 1 W.
Owner-Operator: West Gate Mining & Construction
U.S. Route 19 North, P.O. 13, Box 101,
Morgantown WV 26503
Status: Inactive

Uranium Mines

Carbon County: Red Lodge 59068

**SWAMP FROG MINE Uranium
Sec. 17, 20, 21, T. 9 S., R. 27 E.
Owner-Operator: James J. Stoick
Box 2074, Billings MT 59101
Status: Developing

Jefferson County: Boulder 59632

FREE ENTERPRISE URANIUM-RADON MINE
Uranium, radon
Boulder dist. [75], sec. 22, T. 6 N., R. 4 W.
Owner-Operator: Elkhorn Mining Co.,
Wade V. Lewis, Pres.
201 N., Boulder MT 59632
Employees: 5
Status: Active health mine

Placer Mines

Beaverhead County: Dillon 59725

*GOLD NUGGET PLACER CLAIMS Gold
SW $\frac{1}{4}$ sec. 30, T. 3 S., R. 17 W.;
N $\frac{1}{2}$ sec. 36, T. 3 S., R. 18 W.
Owner-Operator: Prospect Mining Co., Inc.
Preston ID 83263
Status: Developing

*RUBY GOLD PLACER CLAIMS Gold
Pioneer dist. [22], sec. 29, T. 3 S., R. 17 W.
Owner-Operator: Valley International Products, Inc.
P.O. Box 1721, Helena MT 59601
Status: Developing

Broadwater County: Townsend 59644

*INDIAN CREEK PLACER Gold
 Indian Creek dist. [35], Sec. 28, T. 7 N., R. 1 E.
 Operator: Raymond G. Bayles
 Box 1108, Townsend MT 59644
 Owner: Indian Creek Inc.
 Box 1108, Townsend MT 59644
 Status: Producing, developing

Granite County: Philipsburg 59858

*ELM NO. 6 Placer gold
 Philipsburg dist. [65], sec. 31, T. 8 N., R. 15 W.
 Operator: Chris Koenig
 8860 Sharptail, Missoula MT 59802
 Owner: SK Ventures, Inc., A. K. Raymond, Pres.
 P.O. Box 255, Baldwin City KS 66006
 Status: Inactive

Jefferson County: Boulder 59632

*BLACK CANYON PLACERS Gold
 Alhambra dist. [71], sec. 14, 15, T. 7 N., R. 3 W.
 Owner-Operator: A. E. Reichel Estate, Horace Wilson
 Box 4012, Helena MT 59601
 Status: Developing

HAWKEYE PLACER Gold
 Sec. 24, 25, T. 7 N., R. 2 W.
 Owner-Operator: Lynn Mines & Mining, Inc.
 R. L. Lynn, President
 690 S. Hilltop Road, Columbia Falls MT 59912
 Status: Developing

CHINESE DIGGINGS Gold
 Boulder dist. [75], sec. 5, 8, 9, T. 5 N., R. 4 E.
 Operator: S & G Mining Co.
 Thomas Gwynn, Manager, Resource Development
 Box 3049, Sheridan WY 82801
 Owner: Kiewit Mining and Engineering Co.
 1000 Kiewit Plaza, Omaha NE 68131
 Status: Inactive

Lewis and Clark County: Helena 59601

*FRENCH BAR PLACER Sapphire, gold
 Missouri River dist. [101], sec. 4, 5, T. 10 N., R. 1 W.
 Owner-Operator: James McMaster
 Box 483, East Helena MT 59635
 Status: Produced, producing

*PRETTY GIRL PLACER Gold
 Sec. 9, 10, T. 9 N., R. 4 W.
 Operator: Al Ballard, P.G. Mine,
 Box 106, Wolf Creek MT 59648
 Owner: Ballard Mining Corp.
 1712 Grizzly Gulch, Helena MT 59601
 Employees: 4
 Mill capacity: 40 y/h
 Status: Produced

FRENCH BAR UNDERWATER SECTION
 Gold, sapphires, garnets, rubies
 Missouri River dist. [101], sec. 4, T. 10 N., R. 1 W.
 Operator: Montana Gold and Sapphires, Inc.
 MacDonald M. Mader II
 Box 155, Helena MT 59624
 Owner: State of Montana, Helena MT
 Plant: 8" suction dredge
 Status: Developing

Lincoln County: Libby 59923

HARRY HOWARD GROUP Placer gold
 Sec. 27, T. 29 N., R. 31 W.
 Owner-Operator: Donald C. and Marie O. Cripe
 Route 1, Box 929-B, Libby MT 59923
 Status: Developing

Madison County: Virginia City 59755

***BUBANY PLACER** Gold
Browns Gulch dist. [129], sec. 16, 21, T. 6 S., R. 3 W.
Owner-Operator: Montana Minerals Browns Gulch
Placer, Box 34, Virginia City MT 59755
Status: Produced, developing

NORWEGIAN PLACER Gold
Norwegian Creek dist. [118],
NE $\frac{1}{4}$ sec. 31, T. 2 S., R. 1 W.
Operator: Clinton Cain, Alder MT 59710;
Darrel Taylor, Norris MT 59745
Owner: L. L. Higinbotham, Harrison MT 59735
Status: Inactive

Meagher County: White Sulphur Springs 59645

***BLUE JAY PLACER** Gold
Beaver Creek dist. [131], sec. 3, T. 8 N., R. 4 E.
Owner-Operator: Norman Walters
Box 722, White Sulphur Springs MT 59645
Status: Developing

***HUNGRY HOLLOW PLACER** Gold
Beaver Creek dist. [131],
sec. 23, 24, T. 10 N., R. 3 E.
Owner-Operator: Howard Weaver, Albert Bodle
Box 215, White Sulphur Springs MT 59645
Status: Inactive

***CAMP ROBBER PLACER** Gold
Thompson Creek dist. [131],
sec. 22, 27, T. 9 N., R. 4 E.
Owner-Operator: Larry Burns
Box 324, White Sulphur Springs MT 59645
Status: Inactive

***MARY SUE PLACER** Gold
Beaver Creek dist. [131],
SE $\frac{1}{4}$ sec. 24, T. 10 N., R. 4 E.
Owner-Operator: Raymond J. Heinrich
Box P, White Sulphur Springs MT 59645
Status: Developing

Mineral County: Superior 59872

***F. D. PLACER** Gold
SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ and SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ sec. 8;
N $\frac{1}{2}$ N $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ sec. 17, T. 12 N., R. 24 W.
Owner-Operator: Fred D. Slemes
Box 143, Alberton MT 59820
Employees: 3
Status: Developing

***STEMWINDER PLACER** Gold
Cedar Creek dist. [135], sec. 29, T. 15 N., R. 27 W.
Owner-Operator: George Gildersleeve
Box 565, Superior MT 59872
Status: Developing

LOST GULCH PLACER Gold
Cedar Creek dist. [135], sec. 24, T. 16 N., R. 27 W.
Owner-Operator: Ray Wagner
Box 137, Ravalli MT 59863
Status: Producing

***SUNRISE CREEK PLACER** Gold
Sec. 21, T. 15 N., R. 26 W.
Owner-Operator: C & H Company
c/o Sam Coleman, Box 74, Superior MT 59872
Status: Developing

***MEADOW CREEK PLACER** Gold
Sec. 24, T. 15 N., R. 25 W.
Owner-Operator: C & H Company
c/o Sam Coleman, Box 74, Superior MT 59872
Status: Developing

TRIANGLE PLACER Gold
Quartz Creek dist. [135], sec. 3, T. 14 N., R. 26 W.
Owner-Operator: Victor D. Wright
Box 40, Superior MT 59872
Status: Developing

***TROUT CREEK PLACER** Gold
Trout Creek dist. [135], sec. 28, T. 16 N., R. 26 W.
Owner-Operator: Mrs. Joe Arpan
Box 51, Superior MT 59872
Status: Inactive

Missoula County: Missoula 59801

***CLAY LEWIS PLACER** Gold
Nine Mile dist. [146], sec. 16, T. 17 N., R. 24 W.
Operator: Clay Lewis
Huson MT 59846
Owner: Stanley McElligett Family
1001 Stella Road, Longview WA 98632
Employees: 1
Status: Producing

***IDA A. PLACER** Gold
Nine Mile Creek dist. [146],
sec. 15, T. 16 N., R. 23 W.
Operator: Albert Byron Peterson, Claude DeValle
1859 S. 9th St. W., Missoula MT 59801
Owner: A. B. Peterson
1859 S. 9th St. W., Missoula MT 59801
Status: Developing

Missoula County (continued)

NINE MILE PLACER Placer gold
 Sec. 13, 14, 23, 24, T. 16 N., R. 23 W.
 Owner-Operator: U.S. Antimony Corp.
 John C. Lawrence, Pres.
 Box 643, Thompson Falls MT 59873
 Employees: 5
 Status: Producing

***ROBIN L. PLACER** Gold
 Nine Mile Creek dist. [146],
 sec. 21, T. 17 N., R. 24 W.
 Owner-Operator: Mary C. Anliker
 923 Spartan Dr., Missoula MT 59801
 Status: Developing

Park County: Livingston 59047

***STILLWATER RIVER PLACER** Gold
 New World dist. [154], sec. 9, 10, 16, T. 9 S., R. 14 E.
 Owner-Operator: Margaret Reeb
 General Delivery, Livingston MT 59047
 Status: Inactive

Powell County: Deer Lodge 59722

***BIG SKY PLACER** Gold, placer gold
 Pioneer dist. [163], sec. 1, T. 8 N., R. 11 W.
 Owner-Operator: T & B Mining Co., Inc.
 621 Kentucky, Box 9, Deer Lodge MT 59711
 Status: Unknown

KLONDIKE ORE #1 Placer gold
 Finn dist. [159], sec. 2, T. 12 N., R. 8 W.
 Owner-Operator: Ernest H. and Bill E. Young
 Box 568, Deer Lodge MT 59722
 Status: Developing

OLYMPIC #2 Placer gold
 Finn dist. [159], sec. 11, T. 12 N., R. 8 W.
 Owner-Operator: Ernest H. and Bill E. Young
 102 N. Main, Deer Lodge MT 59722
 Status: Developing

***SILVER BAR PLACER** Placer gold
 Big Blackfoot dist. [156],
 sec. 15, 16, 21, 22, T. 13 N., R. 10 W.
 Owner-Operator: Roy A. Betlach
 Route 7, Spokane WA 99206
 Mill capacity: 20-50 t/d
 Status: Inactive

***YOUR NAME PLACER** Placer gold, tungsten
 Sec. 4, 13, 17, 18, 22, 23, T. 13 N., R. 12, 13 W.
 Owner-Operator: H. C. Craig and Co.
 336 Peyton Bldg., Spokane WA 99201
 Status: Unknown

Silver Bow County: Butte 59701

GLORIA ALICE PLACER Placer gold
 Highland dist. [187], sec. 2, 28, T. 1 N., R. 7 W.
 Operator: Baty Mining Co.
 Bruce Baty, Pres.
 525 Battery Place, #9, Chattanooga TN 37403
 Owner: Howard Stratton
 2619 Walnut, Butte MT 59701
 Status: Producing, developing

HIGHLAND PLACER Gold
 Highland dist. [187], sec. 28, T. 1 N., R. 7 W.
 Operator: Howard Stratton, Mark Stratton,
 Gladstone Crushing and Construction Co.
 2619 Walnut St., Butte MT 59701
 Owner: Butte Water Co.
 124 W. Granite St., Butte MT 59701
 Status: Producing

***MACKEG PLACER** Gold
 Soap Gulch dist. [189], sec. 12, T. 2 S., R. 9 W.
 Owner-Operator: Lively Mining Co.
 Box 96, Melrose MT 59743
 Status: Developing

Part 2—Nonmetal Mines, Pits and Quarries

Barite Mines

Beaverhead County: Dillon 59725

*LUCKY JIM BEAM GROUP MINE Barite
Jackson dist. [25], sec. 25, 26, T. 4 S., R. 14 W.
Operator: Elena Jackson
Jackson MT 59736
Owner: R. P. Jackson and R. M. Shepherd
Jackson MT 59736
Status: Inactive

Lincoln County: Libby 59923

KENELTY MINE Barite
Libby dist. [108], sec. 34, T. 27 N., R. 28 W.
Owner-Operator: Montana Barite Co.,
Bob Walsh, Mgr.
P.O. Box 3296, Missoula MT 59801
Employees: 4
Status: Producing

Mineral County: Superior 59872

BONANZA GROUP Barite
Cedar Creek dist. [135], sec. 29, T. 15 N., R. 27 W.
Owner-Operator: Fern and George Gildersleeve
Box 568, Superior MT 59872
Status: Developing

*MULLEN BARITE MINE Barite
St. Regis dist. [141], sec. 9, T. 18 N., R. 28 W.
Owner-Operator: June Alexander
Box 167, St. Regis MT 59866
Mill capacity: 50 t/d
Employees: 4
Status: Developing

Missoula County: Missoula 59801

**COLOMA MINE Barite
Coloma dist. [143], sec. 31, T. 13 N., R. 14 W.
Owner-Operator: Montana Barite Co.
Bob Walsh, Mgr.
Box 3296, Missoula MT 59801
Mill capacity: 40 t/h
Status: Producing

ELK CREEK MINE Barite
Elk Creek dist. [145],
sec. 15, 16, 20, T. 13 N., R. 14 W.
Owner-Operator: Montana Barite Co.
Bob Walsh, Mgr.
P.O. Box 3296, Missoula MT 59801
Status: Producing

FROSTBITE DEPOSIT Barite
Elk Creek dist. [145], sec. 20, T. 13 N., R. 14 W.
Operator: Montana Barite Co.
Bob Walsh, Mgr.
P.O. Box 3296, Missoula MT 59801
Owner: Anaconda Minerals Co.
Butte MT 59701
Status: Inactive

Bentonite Pits

Phillips County: Malta 59538

*AMERICAN COLLOID PIT Bentonite
Sec. 6, T. 26 N., R. 31 E.
Operator: American Colloid Co.
Malta MT 59538
Owner: American Colloid Co.
5100 Suffield Ct., Skokie IL 60076
Status: Inactive

MALTA PLANT Bentonite
NW¼ SE¼ sec. 16, T. 30 N., R. 30 E.
Operator: American Colloid Co.
Malta MT 59538
Owner: American Colloid Co.
5100 Suffield Ct., Skokie IL 60076
Mill capacity: 500 t/d
Employees: 6
Status: Producing

Chlorite Mines

Madison County: Virginia City 59755

*ANTLER MINING COMPANY PIT Chlorite
Silver Star dist. [126], sec. 14, T. 2 S., R. 6 W.
Owner-Operator: Sylvan Donegan, Jr., Robert Nolte
Box 304, Twin Bridges MT 59754
Employees: 3
Status: Producing

Clay Mines and Pits

Deer Lodge County: Anaconda 59711

*PLACER FIRE CLAY PIT Fire clay
Sec. 34, T. 5 N., R. 11 W.
Owner-Operator: Harold Snow
Box 1155, Anaconda MT 59711
Status: Inactive

Jefferson County: Boulder 59632

*CALICO CLAY PIT Pottery clay
Sec. 36, T. 2 N., R. 3 W.
Owner-Operator: Robert C. and Barbara Nevin
Box 5, Cardwell MT 59721
Mill capacity: 50 g/d
Employees: 1
Status: Producing

Fluorspar Mines

Mineral County: Superior 59872

SNOWBIRD MINE Acid-grade fluorspar
Unorg., sec. 19, T. 12 N., R. 25 W.
Owner-Operator: Paul and Jerry Carter
RFD 1, Box 79, Spanish Fork UT 84661, and
Al Willden, 347 S. Main, Spanish Fork UT 84661
Status: Inactive

Silver Bow County: Butte 59701

**FOURTH ESTATE MINE Fluorspar, gold
Summit Valley dist. [183], sec. 13, T. 3 N., R. 9 W.
Owner-Operator: Tom Helehan
Box 235, Butte MT 59701
Status: Developing

Graphite Mines

Broadwater County: Townsend 59644

BLACK DIAMOND GROUP Graphite
Indian Creek dist. [35],
sec. 17, 20, 29, 32, T. 7 N., R. 1 E.
Owner-Operator: Black Diamond Graphite Co.
Jim Hill, Mgr., Clancy MT 59634
Status: Developing

Gypsum Mines

Fergus County: Lewistown 59457

SHOEMAKER (HEATH) MINE Gypsum
Sec. 1, 2, T. 14 N., R. 19 E.
Operator: U.S. Gypsum Co., Heath MT 59449
Owner: U.S. Gypsum Co.
101 S. Wacker Dr., Chicago IL 60606
Mill capacity: 240 t/d
Employees: 35
Status: Producing

Limestone Mines and Quarries

Beaverhead County: Dillon 59725

**WHITE LIME GROUP Limestone
Argenta dist. [2], sec. 17, T. 6 S., R. 10 W.
Owner-Operator: Rudy Nygren
Argenta Star Route, Dillon MT 59725
Status: Inactive

Limestone (continued)

Broadwater County: Townsend 59644

*CONTINENTAL LIME INC. PLANT Quick lime,
limestone
Indian Creek dist. [35], sec. 28, 33, T. 7 N., R. 1 E.
Operator: Continental Lime Inc.
P. O. Box 550
Owner: Steel Brothers Canada
215-10451 Shellbridge Way
Richmond, B.C., Canada V6X 2W8
Mill capacity: 480 t/d
Employees: 20
Status: Producing

Carbon County: Red Lodge 59068

*WARREN QUARRY Limestone
Sec. 24, 25, T. 8 S., R. 25 E., and
sec. 19, 30, T. 8 S., R. 26 E.
Operator: Big Horn Calcium Co.
P.O. Box 22007, Billings MT 59104
Owner: Big Horn Limestone Co.
P.O. Box 1952, Denver CO 80901
Mill capacity: 10 t/hr
Employees: 20
Status: Producing

Gallatin County: Bozeman 59715

*TRIDENT QUARRY Portland cement limestone
Sec. 9, 10, T. 2 N., R. 2 E.
Owner-Operator: Ideal Basic Industries—Cement Div.
W. T. Springman, Vice Pres., Prod., Western Div.
P.O. Box 8789, Denver CO 80201
Mill capacity: 330,000 t/y
Employees: 100
Status: Producing

Jefferson County: Boulder 59632

*McCLELLAN QUARRY Limestone
McClellan dist. [84], sec. 7, T. 9 N., R. 2 W.
Operator: Maronick Construction Co., Inc.
East Helena MT 59635
Owner: E. P. Maronick, Pres.
East Helena MT 59635
Mill capacity: 600 t/d
Employees: 3
Status: Producing

*MONTANA CITY QUARRY

Portland cement limestone
Sec. 12, 13, T. 9 N., R. 3 W.
Operator: Kaiser Cement Corp.
(R. J. O'Hara, Plant Mgr.)
Montana City MT 59602
Owner: Kaiser Cement Corp.
Kaiser Center, Oakland CA 94600
Mill capacity: 1000 t/d
Employees: 86
Status: Produced

Phosphate Mines

Powell County: Deer Lodge 59722

RELYEA MINE Phosphate rock
Garrison dist. [160], S ½ sec. 12, T. 10 N., R. 10 W.
Owner-Operator: George Relyea Estate
Box 116, Garrison MT 59731
Mill capacity: 50 t/d
Status: Inactive

WARM SPRINGS MINE Phosphate rock
Garrison dist. [160], sec. 11, 13, 24, T. 10 N.,
R. 10 W.; sec. 19, T. 10 N., R. 9 W.
Owner-Operator: Cominco American, Inc.
Garrison MT 59731
Employees: 115
Status: Producing, developing

Sapphire Mines

Granite County: Philipsburg 59858

GEM MOUNTAIN SAPPHIRE MINE Sapphire
[Old Chaussee Sapphire mine]
Rock Creek dist. [67], sec. 16, T. 6 N., R. 16 W.
Owner-Operator: Gem Mountain Sapphire
Richard and Joan Taplin,
P.O. Box 701, Philipsburg MT 59856
Status: Developing

Judith Basin County: Stanford 59479

YOGO SAPPHIRE MINE Sapphire
Yogo dist. [92], sec. 19, 20, 21, 22, T. 13 N., R. 11 E.
Owner-Operator: Intergem, Inc.
3025 S. Parker, Aurora CO 80014
Mill capacity: 500 t/d
Employees: 5
Status: Produced, developing

Lewis and Clark County: Helena 59601

*EL DORADO BAR SAPPHIRE MINE Sapphire
Sec. 2, 10, 11, T. 11 N., R. 12 W.
Owner-Operator: El Dorado Inc.
6240 Nelson Road, Helena MT 59601
Status: Producing

FRENCH BAR PLACER Placer sapphire, gold
Missouri River dist. [101], sec. 4, 5, T. 10 N., R. 1 W.
Owner-Operator: James McMaster
Box 483, East Helena MT 59635
Employees: 2
Status: Produced, producing

FRENCH BAR UNDERWATER SECTION

Gold, sapphire, garnet, rubies
Missouri River dist. [101], sec. 4, T. 10 N., R. 1 W.
Operator: Montana Gold & Sapphire, Inc.
MacDonald M. Mader II, Pres.
P.O. Box 155, Helena MT 59624
Owner: State of Montana, Helena MT 59604
Plant: 8" suction dredge
Status: Produced, developing

Semiprecious Stones

Missoula County: Missoula 59801

*FOUR V's CLAIMS Smoky quartz
Sec. 22, T. 11 N., R. 24 W.
Owner-Operator: Albert E. Volker
1806 S. 10th West, Missoula MT 59801
Status: Producing

Shale Pits

Gallatin County: Bozeman 59715

*KANTA PIT Expanded shale
Sec. 13, T. 2 N., R. 2 E.
Owner-Operator: Kanta Products, Inc.
George E. Kanta, President
Box 96, Three Forks MT 59752
Employees: 1
Status: Produced, producing

Jefferson County: Boulder 59632

*CARDWELL PIT Expanded shale
Unorg., E ½ W ½ sec. 36, T. 2 N., R. 3 W.
Operator: Kanta Products, Inc.
Box 96, Three Forks MT 59752
Owner: State of Montana, Helena MT 59601
Employees: 1
Status: Producing

Silica Mines and Quarries

Beaverhead County: Dillon 59725

*CANYON CREEK QUARRY Metallurgical silica
Sec. 32, T. 1 S., R. 9 W.
Owner-Operator: Industrial Chemical Div., Stauffer
Chemical Co., Box 3146, Butte MT 59702
Mill capacity: 500 t/d
Employees: 3
Status: Producing

Jefferson County: Boulder 59632

*BASIN QUARTZ QUARRY Industrial silica
Basin dist. [73], sec. 16, T. 6 N., R. 5 W.
Operator: Pacific Silica Co.
Basin MT 59631
Owner: Union Carbide Co.
Portland OR 97200
Status: Inactive

Ravalli County: Hamilton 59840

**EAGLE ROCK GROUP Quartz
Unorg., sec. 1, 2, 6, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, and
22, T. 5 N., R. 19 W.
Owner-Operator: Eagle Rock Mining Co., Inc.
1308 S. 1st St., Hamilton MT 59840
Status: Unknown

Soil Conditioners

Lake County: Polson 59860

*MARTIN'S PEAT, INC. Peat
Sec. 16, 17, T. 24 N., R. 17 W.
Owner-Operator: Martin's Peat, Inc.
Ronald I. Martin, Pres., Swan Lake MT 59911
Employees: 12
Mill capacity: 6,000 t/y
Status: Produced

Stone Quarries

Missoula County: Missoula 59801

*McQUARRIE QUARRY Ballast and road material
Clinton (Wallace) dist. [142],
sec. 17, T. 12 N., R. 17 W.
Operator: Janney Construction Co., Inc.
Box 517, Deer Lodge MT 59723
Owner: Burlington Northern, Inc.
St. Paul MN 55101
Mill capacity: 200 t/hr
Employees: 10
Status: Producing

Park County: Livingston 59047

*LIVINGSTON MARBLE & GRANITE QUARRY
Ashlar, cut stone, rubble
Sec. 14, 24, T. 9 S., R. 8 E.
Operator: Livingston Marble and Granite Works
Livingston MT 59047
Owner: H. W. Strong
711 E. Park, Livingston MT 59047
Mill capacity: 18 t/d
Employees: 7
Status: Producing

Talc Mines

Madison County: Virginia City 59755

ADAM AND EVE NO. 1 and NO. 2 Talc
Unorg., sec. 30, T. 8 S., R. 4 W.
Owner-Operator: Sam Maloney, Goldie S. Maloney
and others
Box 118, Alder MT 59710
Status: Inactive

*BEAVERHEAD MINE Talc
Sec. 11, 14, T. 7 S., R. 6 W.
Owner-Operator: Cyprus Industrial Minerals
7000 South Yosemite St., Englewood CO 80155
Status: Developing

*BIG WILLOW NO. 1 and NO. 2 Talc
Unorg., sec. 30, T. 8 S., R. 4 W.
Owner-Operator: Sam Maloney, Goldie S. Maloney
and others
Box 118, Alder MT 59710
Status: Inactive

JOHNNY GULCH TALC MINE Talc
Sec. 9, T. 9 S., R. 1 W.
Operator: Nicor Mineral Ventures
Donald Kennedy, Proj. Manager
P.O. Box 296, Ennis MT 59729
Owner: Joint ventures of Nicor Ventures and
Sheridian Land and Mineral Co.
P.O. Box 296, Ennis MT 59729
Status: Developing

*REGAL MINE Talc
Unorg., N½ sec. 2, T. 8 S., R. 7 W.
Owner-Operator: Pfizer, Inc.
Box 1147, Dillon MT 59725
Status: Inactive

*RUBY NO. 1 and NO. 2 MINE Talc
Unorg., sec. 11, T. 8 S., R. 4 W.
Owner-Operator: Sam Maloney, Goldie S. Maloney
Box 118, Alder MT 59710
Status: Developing

*TREASURE CHEST MINE AND PLANT Talc
Unorg., NE¼ NE¼ sec. 15, T. 7 S., R. 6 W.
Owner-Operator: Pfizer, Inc.
Box 1147, Dillon MT 59725
Employees: 118
Status: Producing

*WILLOW CREEK MINE (RUBY RIDGE GROUP)
Talc
Unorg., sec. 30, T. 8 S., R. 3 W.
Owner-Operator: Madison Minerals Inc.
Carl Hafar, Jr., 6050 Porter, Butte MT 59701
Status: Inactive

*YELLOWSTONE (CAMERON) MINE Talc
Sec. 4, T. 9 S., R. 1 W.
Owner-Operator: Cyprus Industrial Minerals
7000 South Yosemite St., Englewood CO 80153
Employees: 101
Status: Producing

Vermiculite Mines

Lincoln County: Libby 59923

*ZONOLITE MINE Vermiculite
 Rainy Creek dist. [109],
 sec. 14, 15, 22, 23, T. 31 N., R. 30 W.
 Owner-Operator: Construction Products Division,
 W. R. Grace & Co.
 62 Whittemore Ave., Cambridge MA 02140
 Mill capacity: 1000 t/d
 Employees: 200
 Status: Producing

Madison County: Virginia City 59755

*CONSTELLATION DEPOSIT Vermiculite
 Mineral Hill dist. [119], sec. 26, T. 1 S., R. 3 W.
 Owner-Operator: Mine-X, Inc.,
 c/o W. G. Forbes, Pres.
 Box 656, Pony MT 59747
 Status: Developing

*GILLIAM VERMICULITE DEPOSIT Vermiculite
 Mineral Hill dist. [119], sec. 25, T. 1 S., R. 3 W.
 Owner-Operator: Mine-X, Inc.,
 c/o W. G. Forbes, Pres.
 Box 656, Pony MT 59747
 Employees: 4
 Status: Developing

Ravalli County: Hamilton 59840

*WESTERN VERMICULITE COMPANY Vermiculite
 Sec. 24, 25, T. 6 N., R. 19 W.
 Operator: Western Vermiculite Co.
 P.O. Box 220, Victor MT 59893
 Owner: National Vermiculite Corp. and Argee Corp.
 Box 220, Victor MT 59875
 Mill capacity: 100 t/hr
 Employees: 2
 Status: Inactive

Part 3—Coal Mines

Big Horn County: Hardin 59034

*ABSALOKA MINE Coal
 Sec. 25, T. 1 N., R. 37 E.
 Operator: Morrison-Knudsen Co., Inc.
 Don Cutbirth, Business Manager
 Box 529, Hardin MT 59034
 Owner: Westmoreland Resources
 Box 430, Hardin MT 59034
 Employees: 113
 Status: Produced

*EAST DECKER MINE Coal
 Sec. 11, 12, 14, T. 9 S., R. 40 E.
 Owner-Operator: Decker Coal Co.
 Box 12, Decker MT 59025
 Employees: 242
 Status: Producing

SPRING CREEK MINE Coal
 Sec. 16, T. 8 S., R. 40 E.
 Operator: Spring Creek Coal Co.
 William Ritchie, Gen. Mgr.
 Box 67, Decker MT 59025
 Owner: NERCO, Inc.
 111 SW Columbia, Portland OR 97201
 Plant capacity: 10,000,000 t/y
 Employees: 112
 Status: Producing

*WEST DECKER MINE Coal
 Sec. 9, T. 9 S., R. 40 E.
 Operator: Decker Coal Co.
 P.O. Box 12, Decker MT 59025
 Owner: Kiewit Mining and Engineering Co., and
 Pacific Power and Light Co.
 1000 Kiewit Plaza, Omaha NE 68131
 Mill capacity: 3,000 t/hr
 Employees: 222
 Status: Producing

Dawson County: Glendive 59330

*PEUSE MINE Coal
 Sec. 13, T. 16 N., R. 53 E.
 Owner-Operator: Gordon Peuse
 CB Route, Glendive MT 59330
 Mill capacity: 500 t/d
 Status: Inactive

Musselshell County: Roundup 59072

*P. M. MINE Coal
 Sec. 13, T. 6 N., R. 26 E.
 Owner-Operator: P. M. Coal Mining Co.
 Meged Bros.
 Goulding Creek Route, Roundup MT 59072
 Mill capacity: 100 t/h
 Employees: 4
 Status: Producing

STORM KING PIT Coal
 Sec. 24, T. 6 N., R. 26 E.
 Operator: Storm King Coal Mining Co., Inc.
 Jerry J. Prouse, Mgr.,
 427 Lordwith Dr., #5, Billings MT 59102
 Owner: L. Von Bretz
 427 Lordwith Dr., #5, Billings MT 59102
 Employees: 5
 Status: Producing

Powder River County: Broadus 59317

*COAL CREEK MINE Coal
 Sec. 3, T. 3 S., R. 45 E.
 Owner-Operator: Coal Creek Mining Co.
 Clayton Tonnemaker, Pres.
 P.O. Box 145, Ashland MT 59003
 Mill capacity: 500 t/d
 Status: Inactive

Richland County: Sidney 59270

*SAVAGE MINE Coal
 Sec. 27, T. 20 N., R. 57 E.
 Operator: Knife River Coal Mining Co.
 Box 32, Savage MT 59262
 Owner: Knife River Coal Co.
 Douglas Kane, Vice President Operations
 1915 Kavaney Dr., Bismarck ND 58501
 Plant capacity: 350 t/hr
 Employees: 17
 Status: Producing

Rosebud County: Forsyth 59327

*BIG SKY MINE Coal
 Sec. 27, T. 1 N., R. 41 E.
 Operator: Peabody Coal Co.
 Tracy Hendricks, Supt.
 Box 97, Colstrip MT 59323
 Owner: Peabody Coal Co.
 301 N. Memorial Dr., St. Louis MO 63102
 Employees: 129
 Mine capacity: 3,000,000 t/y
 Status: Producing

*ROSEBUD MINE Coal
 Sec. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 9, 10, 12, T. 1 N., R. 41 E.;
 sec. 34, 35, T. 2 N., R. 41 E.
 Owner-Operator: Western Energy Co.
 Richard T. Dale, Operations Manager
 Box 99, Colstrip MT 59323
 Employees: 325
 Mine capacity: 15,000,000 t/y
 Status: Producing

Drill-Core Repository

The drill-core library, established in 1979, is housed in a permanent facility at the Mineral Research Center south of Butte. The cores are donations from exploration drilling projects in Montana. They are available to individuals, companies and institutions for examination and research purposes. Bureau geologists skeletonize the core in order to provide space for additions to the drill-core library. Most core donations are accompanied by drill logs and location maps. Financial donations also have been received to help support the repository. The table below provides a brief description of the cores available at the repository. To visit the facility, please contact the Montana Bureau of Mines and Geology.

Open-File Report 148 (completed May 1984), gives detailed listings of available core donations, donor, number of holes, depth and location. Locations in most cases are to the quarter section. Donation of core for the past year include additional core from the North Moccasin Mountains by Gold Fields Mining, and from south of Crystal Park and on Stone Creek in the Pioneer Mountains by Utah International. These donations totaled over 18,000 feet of diamond drilling.

Available Core		
Name	County	Donator
April claims	Madison	U.S. Steel
Aurora-Borealis mine	Madison	Blue Jay Mining Company
Bald Butte	Lewis and Clark	AMAX
Brown's Lake mine	Beaverhead	GE, Utah International
Calvert mine	Beaverhead	Minerals Engineering, Utah International
Crystal Park	Beaverhead	Utah International
Cumberland	Meagher	United Nuclear, Russell Manger
Elkhorn mine	Beaverhead	Bethlehem Steel
Emery (Zosell) district	Powell	Gulf Mineral Resources
Emigrant Gulch	Park	AMAX
Ermont mine	Beaverhead	Gold Fields Mining
Golden Sunlight mine	Jefferson	U.S. Bureau of Mines
Heath Oil Shale	Fergus	MBMG
HO	Granite	Union Carbide
Lost Creek	Beaverhead	GE, Utah International
McCartney Mountain	Madison	Freepport Exploration
McDowell Ranch	Carter	Marathon Resources
North Moccasin Mountains	Fergus	Gold Fields Mining
Monitor	Jefferson	Union Pacific Railroad
Ontario Creek	Powell	Utah International
Red Star	Beaverhead	Utah International
Stone Creek	Beaverhead -	Utah International
Silver Bell	Lewis and Clark	Utah International
WASA	Granite	General Crude, Texas Gas, Lake Ronel

**ALL MINERS AND PROSPECTORS SHOULD BE AWARE OF THE
STATE LAW PERTAINING TO INSPECTION OF MINES**

[Title 50-108 (3425)]

“This act shall apply to all mines (except coal and lignite) and individuals, owners, lessors, lessees, agents, partnerships, corporations, managers, operators or employers operating any surface or underground metal or nonmetallic mines in this state. These individuals, owners, lessors, lessees, agents, partnerships, corporations, managers, operators or employers operating any surface or underground metal or nonmetallic mines (excluding coal and lignite) shall report the same to the Workers’ Compensation Division (State Inspector of Mines), state the name of the mine, the location of the same, the name of the company, person or persons owning or operating the same, post office address and number of men employed.”

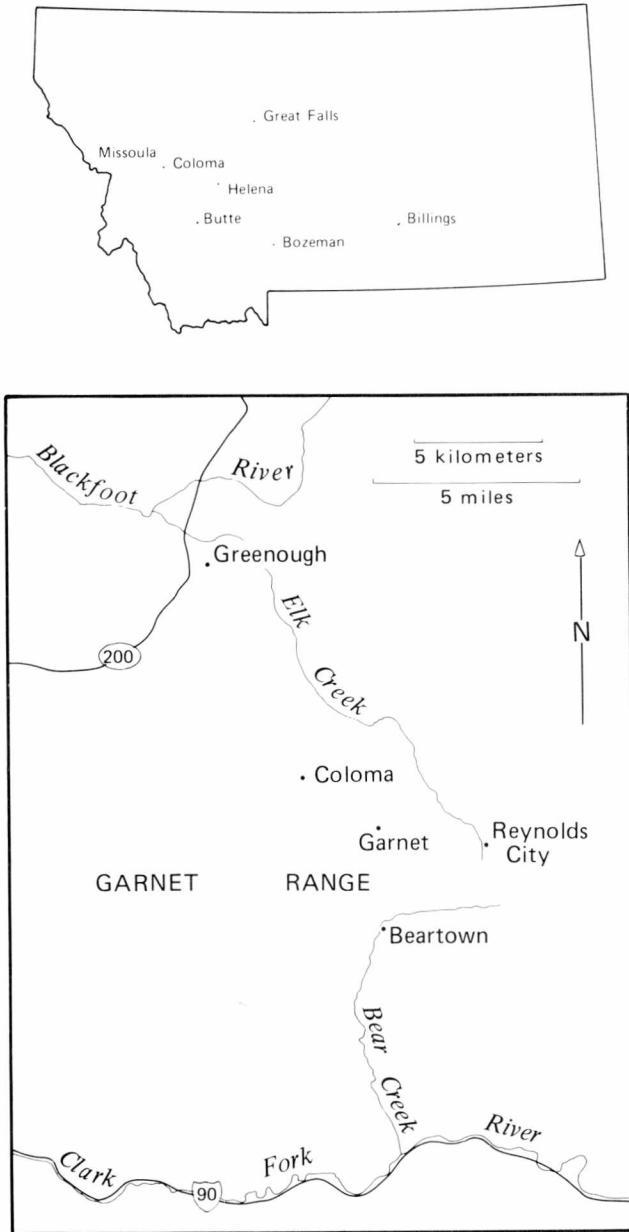


Figure 1—Index maps showing locations of Elk Creek and Coloma.

The Elk Creek-Coloma mining district, Missoula County, Montana

by
Richard B. Berg

Introduction

The Elk Creek-Coloma district is situated 30 miles east of Missoula in the Garnet Range, a timber-covered mountain range of relatively low relief by Montana standards (Figure 1). The highest point in the range is Elevation Mountain (7,073 feet) 5 ½ miles east of Coloma. The elevation of the old townsite of Coloma is 5,940 feet. All that now remains are several cabins and other wood structures in various stages of collapse. Although there are no active mines at Coloma, there are two operating barite mines in the district and some placer mining along Elk Creek.

This district has had an interesting and varied history, but in terms of total value has not been a large producer. Total gold production through 1959 from both lodes and placers is estimated to be between 70,000 and 117,000 ounces, of which only an estimated 17,000 ounces are from the lodes at Coloma (Koschmann and Bergendahl, 1968, p. 164). Minor silver and lesser copper were also recovered from the ores. Total barite production from the district, which is by far the largest barite-producing district in Montana, is estimated to be more than 200,000 tons.

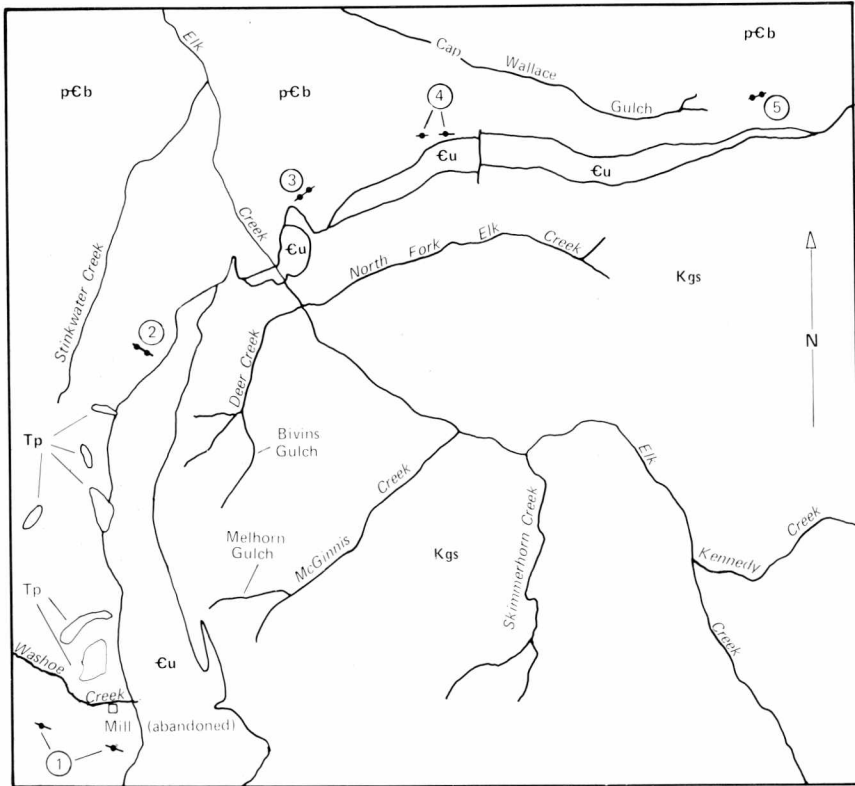
Mineral production has continued intermittently for more than 100 years starting with placer mining for gold in 1865 followed by lode mining at Coloma and, after a hiatus of several years, by renewed placer mining along Elk Creek. In 1951 the first barite mine in Montana was opened above Elk Creek within half a mile of gravel that had been mined for gold. With an interruption caused by poor markets in the late 1960s and early 1970s, barite mining has continued from several mines in the district. During the summer of 1984 exploration for gold was initiated by a major mining company at Coloma, and in the fall of the same year a new barite vein was discovered just south of the district. The future of the Elk Creek-Coloma district is obviously tied to the price of gold and to the demand for barite.

The prospector should be given his due. Most mines in the district are the direct result of his persistence.

No attempt was made to include a discussion of the Garnet (First Chance) district 2 ½ miles southeast of Coloma; the Copper Cliff district to the southwest; or the Top o' Deep district to the southeast of Coloma.

Geology

As with many areas in western Montana, the understanding of the geology of this area is the result of the cumulative effort of many geologists over more than half a century. Pardee (1918) provided the first geologic map and description of mineral deposits in the area. In recent years Brenner (1964) and Wallace, Schmidt, Waters, Lidke and



EXPLANATION

Tertiary	Tp	Rhyolite and quartz latite porphyry	⑤	Barite vein
Cretaceous	Kgs	Granite of the Garnet stock	①	Coloma
Cambrian	Eu	Metamorphosed sedimentary rocks adjacent to the Garnet stock	②	Stinkwater
Precambrian	pCb	Metasedimentary rocks of the Belt Supergroup	③	Elk Creek
			④	Middle and Upper pits
			⑤	Cap Wallace

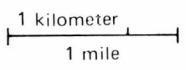


Figure 2—Generalized geologic map of the Elk Creek-Coloma district.

French (1981) added more detail. Information specifically on mineral deposits was provided by Clawson (1957), Sahinen (1957), DeMunck and Ackerman (1958) and Earll (1963). The following synopsis of the geology, as well as the description of barite deposits, is from the author's research on barite deposits in Montana now in preparation for publication by the Montana Bureau of Mines and Geology. The geologic map (**Figure 2**) is a generalized map from this work.

General geology

The Elk Creek-Coloma district straddles the contact between the Garnet stock and Precambrian and Paleozoic metasedimentary rocks (**Figure 2**). Barite veins have been found only in Precambrian metasedimentary rocks of the Belt Supergroup and gold veins in this district are confined to granite of the Garnet stock.

Three formations of the Belt Supergroup are exposed north and west of the Garnet stock: the Mount Shields Formation north of a high-angle fault along Cap Wallace Gulch, the McNamara Formation northwest of the stock and the more widely exposed overlying Garnet Range Formation. North of Cap Wallace Gulch, the Mount Shields Formation is light gray to light tan to light pink quartzite that contains fine-grained muscovite and minor biotite. The McNamara Formation consists of greenish gray to light olive gray, fine-grained quartzite and siltite. These lithologies grade upward into coarser grained quartzite of the Garnet Range Formation. Quartzite of the Garnet Range Formation is characterized by biotite layers a few millimeters thick that parallel bedding and coarse-grained muscovite that occurs along bedding planes. Color ranges from olive gray to brownish gray with limonite-coated joint surfaces in some outcrops. Metamorphism of the McNamara Formation next to the Garnet stock produced a hornfels containing cordierite porphyroblasts. In the vicinity of the Cap Wallace pit (**Figure 2, Locality 5**) metamorphism of the Garnet Range Formation produced a muscovite-biotite-quartz-feldspar gneiss.

A stratigraphic section of Cambrian units consisting of (in ascending order), the Flathead Sandstone, Wolsey Shale, Silver Hill Formation and Hasmark Dolomite overlies the Garnet Range Formation. The Flathead Sandstone is a very hard pink to tan vitreous quartzite. In contrast to the resistant Flathead Sandstone, the Wolsey Shale is only exposed where it was metamorphosed to hornfels close to the Garnet stock. The lower shale of the Silver Hill Formation is overlain by mottled black and white dolomite which in turn is overlain by gray limestone. At Coloma, and along the northern contact of the Garnet stock, the Silver Hill Formation was metamorphosed to marble with less pure beds forming skarns. Metamorphic minerals identified in these skarns, listed in order of decreasing abundance, are grossularite, diopside, tremolite-actinolite, clinozoisite, vesuvianite and scapolite. Some of the marble along the western contact of the stock is dolomitic and probably represents metamorphosed Hasmark Dolomite.

The Garnet stock is an epizonal Cretaceous pluton. Elliptical in outcrop, it is elongated in a northeast direction with an exposed area approximately 5 miles by 12 miles. The Coloma-Elk Creek district is situated at the western contact of the pluton. The contact of the pluton with intruded sedimentary and metasedimentary rocks is regionally concordant, but locally discordant. The granite intruded a SE-plunging syncline with a more steeply dipping eastern limb. The contact north of the North Fork of Elk

Creek is nearly vertical and concordant whereas distribution of contact metamorphism and outcrop trace of the contact around Coloma and to the south suggest a very gentle west dip. Dikes and irregular apophyses of granite are abundant where the plutonic contact crosses Elk Creek. Here there is a relatively abrupt change in attitude of bedding of the country rock from the steep dip of the eastern limb of this syncline. In the vicinity of this abrupt change in attitude of bedding more abundant fractures may have facilitated the intrusion of apophyses from the Garnet stock.

In the Elk Creek-Coloma district the Garnet stock is a light gray, medium-grained, biotite-hornblende granite. The granite is generally equigranular with weak lineation and in some instances foliation caused by the alignment of hornblende prisms. Minerals of this granite, listed in order of decreasing abundance, are plagioclase (andesine), quartz, K-feldspar, hornblende, biotite, sphene, magnetite, apatite and zircon. Inclusions of black hornblende, rarely surrounding pale green diopsidic cores, are abundant next to the contact in the vicinity of Coloma.

Dikes and irregular bodies of porphyritic rhyolite and quartz latite are poorly exposed west of the Garnet stock. These rocks contain prominent quartz, K-feldspar, albite and biotite phenocrysts. A previously unpublished K-Ar date on biotite separated from a rhyolite porphyry dike parallel to the barite vein at the Coloma mine is 45.7 ± 1.8 m.y.

Gold veins at Coloma

Pardee (1918) provided the most detailed information on the veins and is the source of the following summary.

The gold veins at Coloma, all of which are confined to the granite of the Garnet stock, strike east-west to northeast-southwest and have an average southerly dip of 30° (Figure 3). Most of the veins are less than a foot or two wide and, with the exception of the Comet mine, only ore in the oxidized zone was mined. The sequence of sulfide deposition in these quartz veins is inferred by Pardee (1918, p. 199) to be pyrite, chalcopyrite and tetrahedrite. He suggests that the deposition of tetrahedrite is unrelated to the distribution of gold-bearing pyrite. Barite is not a gangue mineral in these veins. The lack of barite in gold veins is an indication that the processes that formed the barite veins were independent of those responsible for the formation of the gold-quartz veins at Coloma.

The Mammoth mine was the largest producer of gold at Coloma. Production was estimated to be worth \$200,000 for the years prior to 1916, at the then prevailing price of \$20.67 per ounce. Production since 1916 has been considerably less. Sulfide ore at a depth of 270 feet in this shaft mine was reported by Pardee (1918, p. 196-197) to average between \$20 and \$30 a ton in gold with higher grade oxidized ore in the upper levels.

The Valley, Crystal Spring, Clemantha and Rambler veins north of the Mammoth vein are approximately parallel to this vein. Of these veins the only one with any significant reported production is the Clemantha. In the years before 1916 this vein produced \$40,000 worth of direct-shipping ore.

The Cato vein, situated southeast of the main concentration of veins, was the first vein to be worked in the district, but evidently did not produce much ore. The Comet

vein is also separated somewhat from the other veins of the district, lying three quarters of a mile northeast of the Mammoth vein. Although developed to a depth of 500 feet by a two-compartment shaft and several levels including one 1000-foot crosscut, the mine was not very productive and, considering the amount of development undertaken on this property, it was probably far from a profitable venture. In a proprietor's report, prepared around 1905, W. D. Rumsey stated that the Comet vein averaged 2 feet wide and carried an average of \$17 worth of gold per ton.

The Dixie mine east of Coloma was developed by a 275-foot adit on a vein striking approximately N 50° E and dipping 22° southeast. The vein varies from 6 inches to 1 foot wide and was reported to range between \$100 and \$300 per ton in gold (Sahinen, 1957, p. 27-28).

The occurrence of gently dipping veins at Coloma, situated close to the roof of the Garnet stock in an area where evidence favors a gently dipping contact, encourages speculation that blind veins may await discovery in the granite under the marble cover west and south of Coloma.

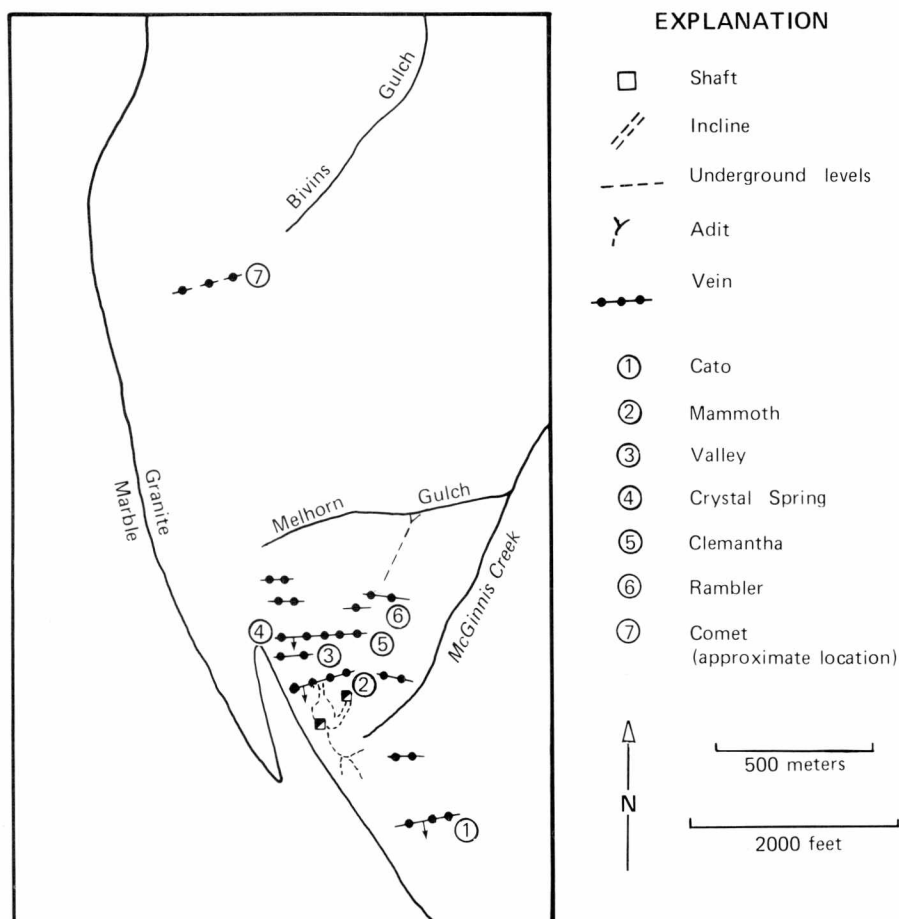


Figure 3—Veins at Coloma (modified slightly from Pardee, 1918, p. 196).

Placer deposits along Elk Creek

As for most placer districts, detailed information either on gold production or the actual placer deposits along Elk Creek is not available. Pardee (1918, p. 232) estimated the value of gold production from these placers to be at least \$1,000,000 and perhaps more than \$2,000,000. Lyden (1948, p. 108) estimated that production for the years between 1916 and 1948 amounted to \$105,000. The only published description of gold from Elk Creek is that of Pardee (1918, p. 232-235) and it is summarized below.

Gold is found in the gravels of Elk Creek and its tributaries draining the Coloma and Garnet districts, the obvious sources of the placer gold. Gold is also found in Washoe Creek southwest of Coloma. Fineness of gold from Elk Creek is 906 and is generally in flat flakes, smaller than those found in the Bear Gulch placers south of Garnet. Color of the gold is deep yellow, although some particles that laid undisturbed in the gravel for a long time, are coated with limonite, giving the gold a rusty coating. Virtually the entire stretch of Elk Creek shown in **Figure 2** was placer mined at least once for gold.

Barite veins

Barite has been mined at nine localities in the district, six of which are briefly described. The largest mine is the underground Elk Creek mine (**Figure 2, Locality 3**) which has a probable total production in excess of 120,000 tons of barite. At present two mines are active, the Coloma and Elk Creek mines. All of the barite veins within the district occur in quartzite of the Garnet Range Formation and are within a mile of the

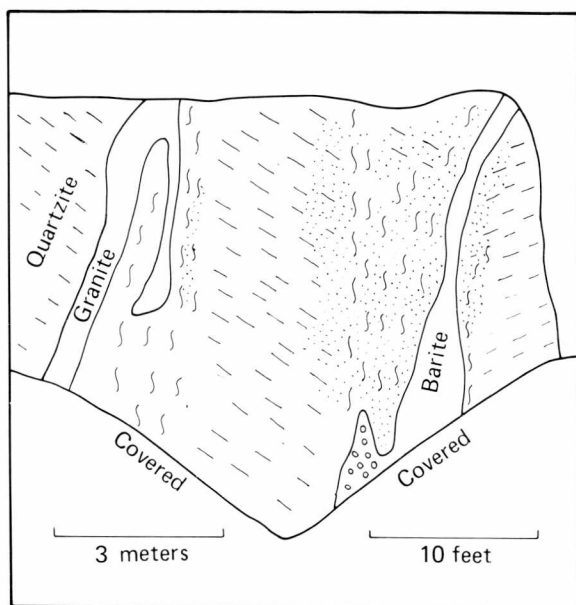


Figure 4—Sketch of Elk Creek barite vein exposed in cut. Dashed lines represent attitude of bedding in quartzite of the Garnet Range Formation, wiggly lines represent numerous fractures and shear planes and stippling indicates limonite along fractures.

exposed contact of the Garnet stock; most are within half a mile of the contact. This is the largest known concentration of barite in Montana.

The barite is white, coarse grained and of high purity. Included fragments of country rock are the most common contaminant. Veins are nearly vertical and shearing parallel to the veins has in some instances caused pronounced alignment of the long axes of barite grains in a plane parallel to the walls of the vein (**Figure 4**). Because the barite deformed easily even during brittle deformation, brecciated barite is rare. However, barite has cemented brecciated quartzite. In common with barite veins elsewhere in metasedimentary rocks of the Belt Supergroup, barite veins in this district pinch and swell over short distances. This variation in thickness is probably caused by both variation in original thickness of the barite vein as deposited and also modification of the vein by movement along shear planes subparallel to the vein.

Quartzite of the Garnet Range Formation is microfractured next to some veins as a result of cataclastic deformation coeval with shearing along the veins. Hydrothermal alteration next to barite veins was only recognized in the Middle and Upper pits where feldspars in the quartzite next to the barite veins were kaolinized. Pale pink andalusite grains found in the crumbly quartzite next to several of the barite veins may also be of hydrothermal origin. The only known occurrence of sulfides within barite veins of the district is at the southwestern end of the vein at the Elk Creek mine where pyrite, pyrrhotite, galena and sphalerite have been found (DeMunck and Ackerman, 1958, p. 14).

The location of these barite veins is controlled by stratigraphy, structure and proximity to the Garnet stock. A likely source of the barium in these veins is the surrounding quartzite of the Garnet Range Formation. Harrison and Grimes (1970), as well as other investigators, have shown that rocks of the Belt Supergroup generally contain barium at a concentration greater than 200 ppm. Barium and sulfate ions transported in aqueous solutions evidently replaced quartzite along faults. Heat from the cooling pluton would have caused more active convective movement of ground water near the stock, providing a mechanism for more efficient concentration of barite into veins in the area. A more detailed discussion of the origin of these and other barite veins will be presented in a report in preparation on barite deposits in Montana.

The Coloma mine (**Figure 2, Locality 1**) is the southernmost barite deposit in this district. This NW-trending vein has been mined on both sides of Washoe Creek and is now being mined on the east side of the creek where it is locally more than 10 feet thick. Unfortunately, this vein is highly variable in thickness and in some exposures appears more podlike than veinlike. A vertical quartz latite dike lies along the northeastern contact of this vein at the large open cut east of Washoe Creek.

The Stinkwater vein (**Figure 2, Locality 2**) also strikes northwest. This vein was mined in an open cut where it crosses the ridge between Stinkwater Creek on the west and Deer Creek on the east. Apparently the vein does not continue downhill along strike in either direction. Where exposed in prospect trenches in 1963, the vein was between 1 and 5 feet thick (Brenner, 1964, p. 76).

The Elk Creek mine, known as the Greenough mine in earlier days, was the first barite mine in Montana and has produced more barite than any other mine in Montana, (**Figure 2, Locality 3**). It is now an important source of barite for the Montana Barite

Company. Mining is currently from a decline from the lowest of three levels. This level was driven for 650 feet in granite of the Garnet stock before reaching quartzite of the Garnet Range Formation which is encountered for another 250 feet before intersecting the barite vein. The vein ranges up to 27 feet thick (DeMunck and Ackerman, 1958, p. 14), but a more typical thickness throughout much of the mine is 8 feet. In the lowest level this vein pinches out completely from a 19-foot thickness within only 175 feet along the drift. However, where this vein is now being mined below this level, it has an average thickness of 11 feet. A fault that locally parallels the vein is exposed along the hanging wall, then cuts across the vein and is exposed along the footwall (Clawson, 1957, p. 23). Clawson also observed that a granite dike parallels the vein and, like the fault, it is exposed along the hanging wall at some places, in the footwall at other locations, and also within the vein. A pegmatite dike also cuts the vein. This barite vein has also been mined from two surface cuts along strike northeastward from the underground mine.

Northeast of the Elk Creek mine another barite vein was mined in the Middle and Upper pits (**Figure 2, Locality 4**). Because of concerns about the stability of the steep face on the south side of the Middle pit, mining was discontinued in 1980. Mining of the barite vein at the Upper pit was discontinued in 1955 or 1956. In 1980, a 12-foot thickness of the vertical barite vein in the Middle pit was being mined. A granite dike parallels this vein and is in contact with it on the north side. The Upper pit is 800 feet east of the Middle pit and, although along strike on the same vein, exploration cuts between the two pits failed to expose more than a few small fragments of barite. The granite dike is not exposed in the Upper pit and, because the barite vein had been mined out to the level of the floor of the pit, the thickness of the vein could not be estimated.

The Cap Wallace pit (**Figure 2, Locality 5**) has not produced much barite, but it is interesting because of the unusual occurrences of barite. Quartzofeldspathic gneiss formed by contact metamorphism of quartzite of the Garnet Range Formation contains concordant layers of barite up to ½ inch thick. This gneiss is cut by pegmatite veinlets up to several inches thick which contain quartz, K-feldspar, muscovite, black tourmaline and barite. The pegmatite veinlets may have been generated by partial melting of the quartzofeldspathic gneiss during the peak of contact metamorphism. The barite-bearing gneiss is not considered to be an example of a bedded barite occurrence, but is probably a result of remobilization of barite in the Garnet Range Formation during the metamorphism that produced the gneiss.

History of mining

Historical information was gathered mainly from published sources including the U.S. Geological Survey Mineral Resources of the United States for the years 1905 through 1931 and the U.S. Bureau of Mines Minerals Yearbooks that superseded this series for the years 1932 through 1982. Other sources of information were individuals familiar with the district, the Montana Department of State Lands and the author's own observations.

Chronology

- 1852**—The first discovery of gold in Montana in gravel along Gold Creek 30 miles southeast of Coloma.
- 1865**—Gold discovered in the gravels of Elk Creek as well as along Bear Creek to the south (**Figure 1**). Reynolds City, more of a mining camp than a city, sprang up near the head of Elk Creek to serve the influx of miners. By 1866, standard supplies at Reynolds City were not cheap: bacon at 80¢ a pound, potatoes 12 ½¢, salt 50¢, sugar 75¢, and nails 75¢ a pound (Pardee, 1918, p. 231). Within three or four years the easily mined ground had been worked out and the miners moved to more productive districts. Pardee (1918, p. 232) estimated that between 1865 and 1916 \$1 to \$2 million worth of gold was removed from the Elk Creek placers, mainly in the 1865-1870 period. During this period of intense activity, Chinese immigrants were an important part of the work force. An example of their diligence can be seen along McGinnis Creek, a tributary of Elk Creek, where a flume was constructed to divert water and enable them to mine the gravel in the bed. The five-foot high walls of this flume were constructed of local rock. Recent placer mining along Elk Creek uncovered some of the posts from old drifts along the bedrock. One miner also reports finding boulders, evidently too large to remove from their underground workings, that were supported by timber props to enable the miners to recover the gold along the bedrock underneath them. At least one recent operator found that, unfortunately for his profitability, the early placer miners were very efficient in their recovery of gold from these deposits.
- 1867**—Discovery of gold veins 2 ¼ miles southeast of Coloma at a site that later became the Garnet (First Chance) district.
- 1885**—A number of mining claims were staked in the vicinity of what was later to
- 1890**—The Mammoth Gold Mining Company acquired the Mammoth mine at Coloma (**Figure 3**) and by 1898 had constructed a ten-stamp cyanide mill on Washoe Creek (Calderhead, 1898, p. 176). Some of the ore from the Mammoth mine was shipped directly to the smelter and the rest was hauled to the mill where most of the gold was reportedly lost in the tailings (Pardee, 1918, p. 196). All that now remains of the mill on the south side of Washoe Creek are old timbers and bearing blocks for the stamp mill. Tailings from this mill are not evident along this small creek, perhaps indicating that, in common with many mills, only a small quantity of ore was processed.
- 1905**—Quantock Mining and Milling Company installed a 15-ton Huntington mill at the Comet mine and accomplished considerable development work on this property. Pardee (1918, p. 199) reported that, *A two-compartment shaft, with its collar about 5,250 feet above the sea, is said to have been sunk 500 feet on the vein and several levels were run, one of them a crosscut 1,000 feet to the south.* Rumsey, in his proprietor's report, stated that average ore from this mine runs \$17.00 per ton in gold with the highest assay of \$985.00 per ton. Rumsey also stated that the Comet Gold and Silver Mining Company, headed by its president, H. J. Seibel, Jr. of Philadelphia, had 16 mining claims staked at the Comet. It is interesting to speculate on the amount of money that must have been ex-

pended on the Comet vein which was reported to assay considerably less than other veins in the district. It makes one suspect that only the promoter realized a profit on this property. Presumably mining also continued at the Mammoth mine at this time. Rumsey described the Mammoth mine as consisting of a 270-foot deep shaft with about 2000 feet of drifts and a 400-foot incline. According to this promotional report (which may or may not have been entirely factual), that the Mammoth mine contained about 2500 tons of ore that were reported to range in grade from \$20 to \$38 per ton. Rumsey further described the facilities at the Mammoth mine as consisting of, *A first class Hoisting Engine, three boilers, Ingersoll-Sargent Air Compressors, Cages, Pumps, etc. A gallows-frame such as you see in Butte on deep Copper Mines, splendid large Shaft House, Boiler and Engine Rooms, Dry, etc., Boarding House, Stables, Office, Library, Reading Room and Cabins.* With 2500 tons of ore in sight at the Mammoth mine, a ten-stamp mill on Washoe Creek and a well equipped camp complete with a reading room this must certainly have been the high point in Coloma's short history.

- 1912**—Mining continued from two mines at Coloma, probably the Mammoth and the Comet, through 1912, but no further production was reported for the next 25 years. Placer mining on Elk Creek continued intermittently during these years, but on a much smaller scale than in the boom years before the turn of the century.
- 1913**—The Elk Creek Hydraulic Mining Company operated a Hendy hydraulic elevator for 108 days handling 14,000 yards of gravel. Unfortunately they recovered only a small quantity of gold. Rumsey reported that the gravel on Elk Creek carried 30 cents per yard in gold.
- 1916**—The only activity at Coloma at this time was the driving of a tunnel southeastward to intersect the Mammoth and other veins (Pardee, 1918, p. 197). This tunnel, at an elevation of about 5,350 feet, would be approximately 350 feet below the bottom of the Mammoth mine. Although by September 1916, 1000 feet of tunnel had been completed with about an equal distance remaining, work on the tunnel was stopped about 400 feet short of the Mammoth mine workings.
- 1916-1930s**—A small amount of gold was recovered from the placers on Elk Creek. The Davey placer was apparently the major and perhaps only producer. No production was reported from the underground mines of the district.
- 1937-1947**—Production was reported from the Mammoth and Clemantha mines. A small amount of direct-shipment ore was produced from these mines, in addition to a lesser amount from the Cato. For instance, in 1944 only 57 tons of gold ore were shipped from the Mammoth mine and in 1945 only 44 tons of ore were shipped from the mine to the East Helena smelter.
- 1938-1940**—A dry-land dredge began working upstream along Elk Creek from its confluence with the North Fork of Elk Creek. In 1939 a drag-line dredge was also working along Elk Creek. Total production for this three-year period was approximately 2,400 fine ounces of gold. The dry-land dredge handled 110,000 cubic yards of gravel in 1940 and recovered 507 fine ounces of gold for an average recovery of only 0.0046 ounce per yard.

- 1946**—Forty six fine ounces of gold and 5 fine ounces of silver were mined from the Elk Creek placers and 32 tons of gold ore were shipped from the Mammoth and Cato claims. Only a small amount of gold was produced from the Elk Creek placers until the 1970s when the dramatic increase in the price of gold caused renewed interest in these deposits.
- 1950**—There was some production from the Clemantha fraction and Mammoth claims.
- June 1951**—Finlen and Sheridan Mining Company of Butte began mining barite at the Greenough mine on Elk Creek. This underground mine, now generally known as the Elk Creek mine, was the first barite mine in Montana.
- June 1952**—A mill for processing barite from the Elk Creek mine was completed and in operation. The mill was situated on the Blackfoot River about 6 ½ miles northeast of the mine. Crude barite ore was crushed and jigged using a diaphragm jig. Ore destined for use as a weighting agent in drilling mud was pulverized. Nearly 3,000 tons of barite ore were mined in 1952.
- 1953**—More than 16,000 tons of barite were sold by Finlen and Sheridan from their Greenough mill. Of this production 10,920 tons were ground to 325 mesh for use in the well drilling industry and 5,542 tons of crushed barite were sold to chemical companies and sugar refineries.
- 1955-1956**—In addition to continued mining at the Greenough mine, barite was mined at the Middle and Upper pits situated approximately one mile northeast of the Greenough mine. Also, William Dittrich operated the Crystal Spring mine at Coloma and produced some ore. This is the last reported production from the Coloma gold mines.
- Fall 1955**—A new barite deposit was discovered by Mr. William Dittrich. As described by Sahinen (1957, p. 43), *Dittrich was sitting on the side of the hill where the barite vein is now located, watching the draw below for wild game when a squirrel in a nearby tree began to create a disturbance by chattering. He picked up a stone to throw at the squirrel and noticed the unusual weight of the stone for its size. Upon examining the stone and the surrounding area, he discovered a small vein of barite with an unusual amount of barite float in the surrounding overburden. The area was subsequently staked out as mineral claims by Dittrich and then leased to the National Lead Company.*
- March 1956**—Second adit crosscut started 110 feet below first adit at the Greenough mine.
- June 1, 1956**—National Lead Company purchased the mines and mill from Finlen and Sheridan Mining Company. The mines and mill were then operated by the Baroid Sales Division of National Lead Company.
- July 1956**—Mining of the newly discovered Coloma deposit by open cut began. Between July and November 16, 1956 an estimated 10,000 tons of ore and waste were removed from this cut.
- 1963**—Discovery of a barite vein on the ridge approximately 2 miles north of Coloma by Jim Frost. This deposit later became known as the Stinkwater mine, named for the Stinkwater Creek just to the west. Mining continued at the Greenough mine with the addition of a third deeper level.

- 1966**—Only stockpiled barite ore was milled during the year, and because of decreased demand for barite the National Lead Company closed their mill in November. The mill was subsequently dismantled and sold.
- 1970s**—Placer mining increased substantially along Elk Creek. By the summer of 1980 there were three active placer mines working along the drainages. Between 1978-1983, 225 ounces of gold were recovered from a lease on State section 36, T. 13 N., R. 14 W. along Elk Creek. Placer mining activity decreased in the early 1980s.
- 1976**—Montana Barite Company, a newly formed company, began mining barite from the Coloma and Stinkwater mines. Barite ore was milled at their newly constructed Missoula mill for use as a weighting agent in drilling mud.
- 1980**—Barite was mined from both the Coloma deposit and from the Middle pit. Mining at the Middle pit, after it had first been dewatered, was carried on by two men who, on a good day, could mine 150 tons of barite from this vertical vein with a 12-foot mineable width.
- 1981**—The lowest adit of the Elk Creek mine was reopened preparatory to further mining of barite.
- 1983**—Nicor Mineral Ventures acquired the Montana Barite Company and continued mining and milling of barite under the name Montana Barite Company.
- 1983-Present**—Montana Barite Company continues to mine barite from the Coloma mine, now entirely an open cut. Barite is also mined from the Elk Creek mine using a decline from the lowest level.
- 1984**—Anaconda Minerals Company staked claims adjacent to Coloma and did some trenching and sampling. In the fall of 1984 a barite vein reported to be of mineable width was found by a prospector south of the area shown in **Figure 2**.

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Appendix

Table 1—Nonfuel mineral production in Montana* (from U.S. Bureau of Mines).

Mineral	Measure	1983		1984**	
		Quantity	Value (thousands)	Quantity	Value (thousands)
Antimony	short tons	253	W	—	—
Barite	thousand short tons	10	\$ 750	W	W
Clayst.	thousand short tons	194	6,205	434	\$ 13,238
Copper (recoverable content of ores, etc.)	metric tons	33,337	56,245	W	W
Gem stones		NA	300	NA	400
Gold (recoverable content of ores, etc.)	troy ounces	161,436	68,449	W	W
Lead (recoverable content of ores, etc.)	metric tons	1,163	556	W	W
Lime	thousand short tons	86	W	W	W
Sand and gravel (constr.)	thousand short tons	‡5,000	‡10,200	5,400	12,900
Silver (recoverable content of ores, etc.)	thousand troy ounces	5,708	65,299	W	W
Stone, crushed	thousand short tons	872	2,344	1,300	3,900
Combined value of cement, graphite, gypsum, iron ore, molybdenum, peat, phosphate rock, sand and gravel (indus- trial), stone (dimension), talc, vermiculite, and values indi- cated by symbol W		XX	82,947	XX	217,523
TOTAL		XX	\$293,295	XX	\$247,961

*Production as measured by mine shipments, sales or marketable production (including consumption by producers).

**Preliminary.

‡Estimated.

†Excludes fire clay; value included in "Combined value" figure.

(NA), not available; (W), withheld to avoid disclosing company proprietary data (value included in "Combined value" figure); (XX), not applicable.

Note: Montana coal production in 1984 was 33,053,890 tons, produced from 9 mines (from Department of Labor and Industry).

List 1

Major Montana Exploration Projects

Cabinet Project	Pacific Coast Mines T. 27 N., R. 34 W., Lincoln County Copper, silver
Rock Creek Project	ASARCO, Inc. T. 27 N., R. 32 W., Lincoln County Copper, silver
PGM Stillwater Joint Venture Project	Stillwater PGM Resources Anaconda Minerals Company Chevron and Johns-Manville Stillwater Complex Stillwater and Sweet Grass counties Platinum-group metals

List 2

Supplemental List of Mining Enterprises

This list includes mining enterprises that have been inactive up to three years, or have not returned questionnaires. The abbreviations used to describe their former status are: (I), inactive; (U), unknown.

BEAVERHEAD COUNTY

Calvert mine	I	1983
Cleve-Avon and Franklin mine	I	1984
Comet group	I	1983
Grasshopper placer	I	1982
Ground Hog mine	I	1983
Hecla group	I	1982
Last Chance mine	U	1983
Lost Creek mine	I	1984

CARBON COUNTY

Brophy No. 2 mine	I	1983
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CASCADE COUNTY

Spoofers mine	I	1983
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FERGUS COUNTY

Lewistown pit	U	1983
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GRANITE COUNTY

Cadgie-Taylor mine	I	1984
Ivanhoe mine	I	1982
Lycorning mine	I	1984
Mickey mine	I	1982

JEFFERSON COUNTY

Big Major mine	I	1983
Columbia mine	I	1984
Rhoades mine	U	1983
Skookum placer	U	1984
Solar Silver mine	I	1983

LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY

Franklin mine	I	1984
General mine	U	1984
Jolly Roger mine	U	1984
Lucky Linda mine	U	1984

LINCOLN COUNTY

Lost Cause	I	1982
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MADISON COUNTY

Easton Pacific mine	I	1982
Exchequer mine	I	1984
Gold Bar mine	I	1982
Lucky Strike mine	I	1982
Mueller mine	I	1984
U.S. Grant mine	I	1984

MEAGHER COUNTY

Rich-Mich placer	U	1984
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MINERAL COUNTY

Nancy Lee mine	I	1984
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MISSOULA COUNTY

Bellview mine	I	1982
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POWELL COUNTY

Pineau placer	I	1982
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RAVALLI COUNTY

Molly 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5 mine	I	1982
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SANDERS COUNTY

Red Fir (Amazon) mine	U	1983
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SILVER BOW COUNTY

Kelley mine	I	1984
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TOOLE COUNTY

Gold Butte placer	I	1984
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VALLEY COUNTY

Glasgow works	I	1983
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List 3

Mining Districts

Beaverhead Co., D-4

1. Ajax
2. Argenta
(Montana)
3. Bald Mountain
4. Banrack
5. Beaverhead
(Dark Horse)
(Mulchy Creek)
6. Big Muddy
7. Blacktail
8. Bloody Dick
(Beaverhead)
9. Blue Wing
10. Bryant
(Hecla)
(Glendale)
11. Chinatown
(Armstead)
12. Dillon
(Carter Creek)
(Frying Pan Basin)
13. Elkhorn
(Coolidge)
(Wise River)
14. Horse Prairie
15. Jake Creek
16. Lost Creek
(Brown's Lake)
(Rock Creek)
17. Medicine Lodge
18. Monida
19. Mount Torrey
20. Niccolia
21. Nogo
(Apex)
22. Pioneer
23. Polaris
(Lost Cloud)
24. Ruby
25. Saginaw
(Jackson)
26. Utopia
(Birch Creek)
27. Vipond Park
28. Wisdom
(Big Hole)

Blaine Co., A-8

29. Bearpaw Mountain

Broadwater Co., C-5

30. Confederate Gulch
(Backer)
(Canton)
(Diamond City)
31. Deep Creek
32. Hellgate

33. Lone Mountain
34. Maggie Gulch
35. Park
(Hassel)
(Indian Creek)
(Townsend)
36. Radersburg
(Cedar Plains)
37. Winston
(Beaver Creek)

Carbon Co., D-7

38. Clark Fork
39. Hellroaring
40. Silver Run

Cascade Co., B-5

41. Neihart
(Montana)

Deer Lodge Co., D-3

42. Blue Eyed Nellie
(Silver Lake)
43. French Gulch
44. Georgetown
(Southern Cross)
(Cable)
45. Girard
46. Heber
(Mill Creek)
47. Lost Creek
(Dry Gulch)
(Antelope Creek)
48. Oro Fino
(Dry Cottonwood)

Fergus Co., B-7

49. Cone Butte
50. North Moccasin
(Kendall)
51. Warm Springs
(Gilt Edge)
(Maiden)

Flathead Co., A-2

52. Hog Heaven
(Flathead)
(Kila)
53. Star Meadow
(Lupfer)
54. Whitefish

Gallatin Co., D-5

55. Eldridge
56. West Gallatin
(Spring Hill)

Granite Co., C-3

57. Alps
(Bonita)
58. Antelope Creek
59. Combination
(Henderson)
(Black Pine)
60. Dunkleburg
61. Frog Pond Basin
62. Garnet
(Top-o'-Deep)
(First Chance)
63. Maxville
(Wyman)
(Gird Creek)
64. Moose Lake
65. Philipsburg
(Flint Creek)
(Granite)
66. Red Lion
(Cable Mountain)
67. Rock Creek
68. Rose Mountain
(Gold Creek)
69. South Boulder
(Princeton)
70. Welcome Creek

Jefferson Co., C-4

71. Alhambra
(Hot Springs)
(Golconda)
72. Amazon
73. Basin
(Cataract)
(Comet)
74. Beaver Gulch
75. Boulder
76. Big Foot
(State Creek)
77. Clancy
(Lump Gulch)
(Buffalo Creek)
78. Colorado
(Corbin)
(Gregory)
(Wickes)
79. Elkhorn
80. Elk Park
81. Homestake
82. Little Pipestone
83. Lowland
84. McClellan
(Mitchell Creek)
85. Montana City
86. Nez Perce
87. Pipestone

88. Whitehall
(Cardwell)
89. Whitetail

Judith Basin Co., B-6

90. Barker
91. (Hughesville)
91. Running Wolf
92. Yogo

Lake Co., B-2

93. Elmo
(Chief Cliff)

Lewis and Clark Co., B-4

94. Austin
(Greenhorn)
 95. Blue Cloud
 96. Gould-Stemple
(Fool Hen)
(Poorman)
 97. Heddlston
(Blackfoot)
(Silver)
 98. Helena
(Last Chance)
(Springhill)
(Unionville)
(Owyhee)
 99. Lincoln
(McClellan Gulch)
(Seven-up Pete Gulch)
(Keep Cool Creek)
(Liverpool Creek)
(Stonewall Mountain)
 100. Marysville
(Bald Butte)
(Ottawa)
 101. Missouri River
 102. Ophir
 103. Rimini
(Vaughn)
(Bear Gulch)
 104. Scratchgravel Hills
(Grass Valley)
 105. Wolf Creek
(Gladstone)
 106. York
- Lincoln Co., A-1**
107. Cabinet
(Fish River)
 108. Libby
(Snowshoe)
 109. Rainy Creek
 110. Sylvanite
 111. Tobacco River

List 3—Mining Districts (*continued*)

112. Troy
(Grouse Mountain)
(Calahan)
113. Wolf Creek
- Madison Co., D-5**
114. Bismark
(Wilmah)
115. Cherry Creek
116. McCarthy Mountain
117. Norris
(Lower Hot Springs)
(Upper Hot Springs)
118. Norwegian Creek
119. Pony
(Mineral Hill)
120. Potosi
121. Renova
(Bone Basin)
(Mayflower)
122. Rochester
(Rabbit)
123. Ruby Mountains
124. Sand Creek
125. Sheridan
(Mill Creek)
(Brandon)
(Indian Creek)
(Ramshorn)
126. Silver Star
(Iron Rod)
127. South Boulder
(Mammoth)
128. Tidal Wave
(Twin Bridges)
129. Virginia City
(Summit)
(Pine Grove)
(Highland)
(Fairweather)
(Nevada)
(Junction)
(Alder Gulch)
(Brown's Gulch)
(Granite Creek)
(William's Gulch)
(Barton Gulch)
130. Washington
(Meadow Creek)
(McAllister)
- Meagher Co., C-6**
131. Beaver Creek
(Elk Creek)
(Thompson Creek)
132. Castle Mountains
133. Murray
(Battle Creek)
134. Musselshell
(Copperopolis)
- Mineral Co., B-2**
135. Cedar Creek
(Quartz Creek)
(Trout Creek)
136. Denemora
(Big Elk)
(Saltese)
137. Iron Mountain
(Superior)
138. Keystone
139. Packer Creek
140. Rock Island
141. St. Regis
(Deer Creek)
(Ward)
- Missoula Co., C-3**
142. Clinton
(Wallace)
143. Coloma
(Potomac)
144. Copper Cliff
145. Elk Creek
146. Nine Mile Creek
(Kennedy Creek)
147. Petty Creek
148. Woodman
(Lolo)
- Park Co., D-6**
149. Cowles
(Haystack)
150. Crevasse
151. Emigrant
(Chico)
152. Horseshoe
153. Jardine
(Bear Gulch)
(Sheepeater)
154. New World
(Cooke City)
(Blackmore)
- Phillips Co., A-9**
155. Little Rockies
(Landusky)
(Zortman)
- Powell Co., C-4**
156. Big Blackfoot
(Helmville)
157. Elliston
(Ontario)
(Nigger Hill)
158. Emery
(Zosell)
159. Finn
(Washington)
(Jefferson and
Buffalo Gulches)
160. Garrison
161. Ophir
(Snowshoe)
(Deadwood)
162. Oro Fino
163. Pioneer
(Gold Creek)
164. Racetrack
(Danielsville)
- Ravalli Co., C-2**
165. Curlew
166. Hughes Creek
(Alta)
(Overwich)
167. Mineral Point
168. Pleasant View
169. Slate Creek
170. Three Mile
- Sanders Co., B-1**
171. Blue Creek
(Heron)
172. Camas Prairie
(Perma)
173. Plains
174. Prospect Creek
175. Revais Creek
(Dixon)
176. Sleepy Creek
(Belknap)
177. Silver Butte
(Vermillion)
(Cabinet)
178. Spring Gulch
179. Thompson River
180. Trout Creek
181. White Pine
(Eagle)
- Silver Bow Co., D-4**
182. Basin Creek
183. Butte
(Summit Valley)
(Lost Child)
184. Divide Creek
185. Fleeceer Mountain
186. German Gulch
(Siberia)
187. Highland
188. Independence
189. Melrose
(Camp Creek)
(Soap Gulch)
190. Mcose Creek
- Stillwater Co., D-7**
191. Nye
192. Stillwater
193. Yellowstone River
- Sweet Grass Co., D-6**
194. Big Timber Canyon
195. Boulder River
196. Independence
197. Natural Bridge
198. West Stillwater
- Toole Co., A-5**
199. Gold Butte
200. West Butte

List 4

Strippable Subbituminous and Lignite Coal Fields

No. on map	Name of field	Coal bed	Est. reserves in millions of tons	Acreeage	Average tons/acre	Ash*	Sulfur*	Btu*
1C	Decker	Anderson-Dietz 1 & 2	2,239.99	25,523	87,763	4.0	40	9,652
2C	Deer Creek	Anderson-Dietz 1 & 2	495.65	14,214	35,397	4.0	50	9,282
3C	Roland	Roland	218.04	12,076	18,055	9.2	74	8,164
4C	Squirrel	Roland	133.41	6,208	21,490	5.5	29	7,723
5C	Kirby	Anderson	216.52	5,655	38,285	4.2	32	8,328
		Wall	473.69	5,952	79,579			
		Dietz	834.35	17,516	47,630	5.8	59	8,509
		Canyon	158.53	4,066	38,983	5.8	24	8,789
6C	Canyon	Wall	1,884.25	23,859	78,974	4.6	30	9,088
		Brewster-Arnold	65.86	2,067	31,859	7.5	40	8,444
7C	Birney	Brewster-Arnold	180.55	6,969	25,905	5.1	41	9,055
8C	Poker Jim Lookout	Anderson-Dietz	872.65	19,609	44,501	5.2	37	7,925
9C	Hanging Woman Creek	Anderson	1,583.29	30,547	51,830	4.9	29	8,496
		Dietz	1,120.96	43,654	25,678	5.5	33	8,078
10C	West Moorhead	Anderson	883.74	19,660	44,949	5.3	36	8,296
		Dietz	397.49	20,416	19,469	4.1	41	7,990
		Canyon	690.19	22,547	30,611	5.6	45	8,055
11C	Poker Jim O'Dell	Knobloch	373.29	7,890	47,311	5.1	22	8,846
		Knobloch	564.78	7,187	78,581			
12C	Otter Creek	Knobloch	2,075.55	25,791	80,475	4.7	36	8,468
13C	Ashland	Knobloch	2,696.20	27,200	99,125	4.8	15	8,421
		Sawyer A & C	357.49	20,262	17,643	4.9	49	7,883
14C	Colstrip	Rosebud	1,439.26	33,379	43,118	9.5	12	8,836
15C	Pumpkin Creek	Sawyer	2,426.50	45,695	53,102	7.5	34	7,438
16C	Foster Creek	Knobloch	708.13	27,801	25,470	7.8	76	7,573
		Terret	460.87	27,462	16,782	5.8	21	7,770
		Flowers-Goodale	258.90	14,444	17,924	7.8	51	7,553
17C	Broadus	Broadus	739.82	18,429	40,142	7.2	27	7,437
18C	East Moorhead	T	525.21	15,559	33,756	6.2	57	7,120
19C	Diamond Butte	Canyon	418.02	21,363	19,566	4.8	43	7,330
20C	Goodspeed Butte	Cook	628.95	13,446	46,775	10.6	1.63	6,771
21C	Fire Gulch	Pawnee & Cook	336.69	8,486	39,674	3.8	33	7,739
22C	Sweeney-Snyder	Terret	326.33	10,921	29,880	9.1	11	8,175
23C	Yager Butte	Elk & Dunning	1,175.86	26,924	43,673	4.8	33	7,646
		Cook	312.02	14,507	21,507	6.7	63	7,254
24C	Threemile Buttes	Canyon & Ferry	225.40	13,836	16,289	5.5	94	6,867
25C	Sonnette	Pawnee	320.25	8,224	38,940	9.8	88	6,964
		Cook	362.98	10,470	34,668	8.1	1.23	6,891
26C	Home Creek Butte	Canyon & Ferry	217.21	4,851	44,774			
27C	Little Pumpkin Creek	Sawyer A & C, D, X & E	215.83	8,534	25,290			
28C	Sand Creek	Knobloch	267.34	5,952	44,915	6.6	30	7,340
29C	Beaver-Liscom	Flowers-Goodale & Terret	135.87	8,851	15,350	8.1	96	8,102
		Knobloch	491.62	17,075	28,791	7.7	50	8,027
30C	Greenleaf-Miller Creek	Rosebud, Knobloch and Sawyer	453.71	14,918	30,413	7.5	71	8,422
31C	Pine Hills	Dominy	193.87	6,022	32,191	7.2	53	7,293
32C	Knowlton	Dominy (M & L)	747.51	19,613	38,112	7.1	41	6,710
		Dominy (U)	120.31	4,448	27,048	5.6	38	6,645
33C	Sarpy Creek	Rosebud-McKay	1,500.00	42,373	35,400	6.5	50	8,600
34C	Cheyenne Meadows	Knobloch	1,200.00	13,560	88,500	4.1	40	8,400
35C	Little Wolf	Rosebud-McKay	314.00	7,411	42,370			
36C	Jeans Fork		90.00	3,800	23,685			
37C	Wolf Mountains		1,922.00	31,000	62,000			
38C	Lame Jones	Dominy	150.00	10,593	14,160			6,020
39C	Lamesteer	Harmon(?)	35.00	1,978	17,700			6,332
40C	Wibaux	C	643.00	18,518	34,720	7.9	90	6,050
41C	Little Beaver	C	134.00	8,445	15,865			
42C	Four Buttes	C	91.00	5,180	17,570			6,140
43C	Hodges		10.00	807	12,390			
44C	Griffith Creek		10.00	568	17,700			
45C	Smith-Dry Creek	G	150.00	8,475	17,700			
46C	O'Brian-Alkalie Creek		150.00	8,475	17,700			
47C	Breezy Flat	Pust	200.00	7,062	30,090	6.7	50	6,660
48C	Burns Creek	Pust	200.00	7,062	30,090			
49C	N. F. Thirteen Mile Creek	Pust	225.00	5,085	44,250			6,880
50C	Fox Lake	Pust	46.00	2,166	21,240			6,880
51C	Lane	Lane	561.00	44,582	12,390			7,150
52C	Carroll	Carroll	345.00	29,780	11,584	5.5	30	7,400

List 4—Strippable Subbituminous and Lignite Coal Fields (*continued*)

No. on map	Name of field	Coal bed	Est. reserves in millions of tons	Acreage	Average tons/acre	Ash*	Sulfur*	Btu*
53C	Redwater River	S	642.00	24,181	26,550	6.1	.40	7,400
54C	Weldon-Timber Creek	S	724.00	25,565	28,320			7,660
55C	Fort Kipp	Ft. Kipp-Ft. Peck	331.00	14,500	22,830	4.6	.20	6,110
56C	Lanark	Lanark	100.00	3,531	12,390	6.3	.40	6,853
57C	Medicine Lake		58.00	3,740	15,510	7.2	1.00	6,870
58C	Reserve		246.00	18,231	13,495	7.6	.40	6,599
59C	Coal Ridge	Coal Ridge	150.00	19,200	17,700	7.5	.40	5,830
60C	Carpenter Creek	Carpenter	50.00	3,211	14,015	6.5	.40	9,270
61C	Charter	Mammoth	60.00	3,210	17,700	6.0	.90	10,190
62C	Little Sheep Mountain	A&C	200.00	10,272	19,470			
		TOTAL	42,561.93	1,152,640				

*"As received" basis. Where more than one sample available, average figures are given. (Robert E. Matson, pers. commun., 1973.)

List 5

New Mining Companies Incorporated in Montana in 1984.

ALJON MINING AND EXPLORATION, INC.
John D. Greef
716 South First St., Hamilton MT 59840

ALADDIN MINING CO.
Beverly A. Glueckert
1529 Choteau St., Helena MT 59601

ALLISON RESOURCES INC.
Dennis A. Allison
1639 Yellowstone, Billings MT 59101

ANTELOPE CREEK MINERAL CO.
John A. Adams
Box 227, Melville, MT 59055

ARIES RESOURCES (U.S.) INC.
Joseph Chelini
1110 Dewey Blvd., Butte MT 59701

BASIN RIDGE COAL COMPANY
United States Corporation Company
501 North Sanders St., Helena MT 59601

BATY MINING COMPANY, INC.
Mark Stratton
2619 Walnut St., Butte MT 59701

BO-MONT EXPLORATION INC.
Brice Boedecker
921 N. Kendrick, Glendive MT 59330

CGS MINING INC.
Charles Speak
2001 Monroe, Butte MT 59701

CABRE EXPLORATION INC.
C. T. Corporation
406 Fuller, Box 1166, Helena MT 59624

CATSAM MINING COMPANY
Charles J. Speake, Jr.
2001 Monroe, Butte MT 59701

CENTENNIAL MINERALS INC.
CSC of Montana Inc.
301 First National Bank Bldg., Box 1715,
Helena MT 59624

CHANNEL MINING INC.
Ted J. Doney
314 N. Last Chance Gulch, Helena MT 59601

CONSOLIDATED MINERALS CORPORATION
J. David Penwell
12 North 3rd, Bozeman MT 59715

COOPER-PLYMALE MINING MATERIAL, INC.
Dewey H. Cooper
Rural Route 1, Box 968, Townsend MT 59644

DYNASTY ENERGY EXPLORATION AND
DEVELOPMENT, LTD.
C T Corporation System
406 Fuller, Box 1166, Helena MT 59624

DENIMIL RESOURCES (U.S.) INC.
Rainer Wolf
Pony MT 59747

EXPLORATION VENTURES COMPANY
C T Corporation System
406 Fuller Ave., Box 1166, Helena MT 59624

GEN-REV MINERALS DEVELOPMENTS, INC.
Fred Kern, Jr.
5558 Canyon Court, Helena MT 59601

GILTEDGE GOLD CORPORATION
Winifred Kimpall
907 Water St., Box 924, Lewistown MT 59457

GOLD PEAK MINERALS, INC.
C T Corporation System
406 Fuller Ave., Box 1166, Helena MT 59624

GOLD PRIZE INCORPORATED
James Girdler
Box 514, Pray MT 59065

GOLD RIDGE MINING CO.
George Guay
332 Howard Avenue, Billings MT 59101

GOLDSTONE MINERALS RESOURCE CORP.
C T Corporation System
406 Fuller Ave., Box 1166, Helena MT 59624

HABERSHAM EXPLORATION, INC.
United States Corporation Company
501 N. Sanders St., Helena MT 59601

IDAHO MINERAL AND GOLD EXTRACTION, INC.
Kenneth R. Flatt
Box 758, Lincoln MT 59639

INLAND PACIFIC MINERALS CORPORATION
Jack M. Brooks
2332 Pine St., Billings MT 59101

INTERNATIONAL MINERAL DEVELOPMENT
& RESEARCH, INC.
Joseph Osterbauer
305 Eire, Hamilton MT 59840

JUDITH MT. MINES, INC.
Willard L. Morgan
R.R. 3, P.O. Box 3073 B, Lewistown MT 59457

KEWA EXPLORATION INC.
Michael J. Harwood
220 Main, Shelby MT 59474

KRITI EXPLORATION INC.
C T Corporation System
406 Fuller, Box 1166, Helena MT 59624

KWAPY MINERAL INVESTMENTS, INC.
Robert C. Kwapy
912 Lakeside, Lolo MT 59847

LEE IRELAN MINING COMPANY, INC.

Helen Bryno
2001 Highland Ave., Helena MT 59601

LEVON RESOURCES, INC.

Julie White
212 Pinckney St., Hamilton MT 59840

MAGNUM MINERALS DEVELOPMENT,
CORPORATION

Michael M. Nash
211 W. Main, Bozeman MT 59715

MEDALLION MINERALS, INC.

Lloyd Wilhelm
1804 Lafayette St., Butte MT 59701

MINERAL CORPORATION OF AMERICA, INC.

Paul G. Olson
720 N. 30th St., Billings MT 59101

MINERS, INC.

Ward A. Shannahan
301 1st National Bank Building, Helena MT 59601

MINE, SHAFT AND TUNNEL CORPORATION

William R. Bovee
318 West Groschell, East Helena MT 59635

M & M STONE, INC.

Marvin Martin
NE 3493 Holly Lane, Stevensville MT 59870

MONTANA MINING CORPORATION

Donald W. Quander
175 N. 27th St., Billings MT 59101

NATURAL RESOURCES CORPORATION OF
TEXAS

C T Corporation System
406 Fuller, Box 1166, Helena MT 59601

OROGRANDE GOLD, INC.

C. I. Miller
2480 E. Broadway #7B, Helena MT 59601

OVERLAND GOLD CORPORATION

CSC of Montana, Inc.
301 1st National Bank Building, Box 1715,
Helena MT 59624

PIONEER MINERALS, INC.

Byrl Thompson
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