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INTRODUCTION

In order to fulfill its obligations under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), the Northern Region of the United States Forest Service (USFS) desires to identify and characterize the abandoned and inactive mines with environmental, health, and/or safety problems that are on or affecting National Forest System lands. The Northern Region of the USFS administers National Forest System lands in Montana and parts of Idaho and North Dakota. Meanwhile, the Montana Bureau of Mines and Geology (MBMG) collects and distributes information about the geology, mineral resources, and ground water of Montana. Consequently, the USFS and the MBMG determined that an inventory and preliminary characterization of abandoned and inactive mines in Montana would be beneficial to both agencies, and have entered into a series of participating agreements to accomplish this work. The first Forest inventoried was the Deerlodge National Forest. The results of this inventory are presented in five volumes: Volume I - Basin Creek, Volume II - Cataract Creek, Volume III -Flint Creek, Volume IV - Upper Clark Fork River, and Volume V - Jefferson River.

1.1 PROJECT OBJECTIVES

In 1992, the USFS and MBMG entered into the first of these agreements to identify and characterize abandoned and inactive mines on or affecting National Forest System lands in Montana. The objectives of this discovery process, as defined by the USFS, were to:

1. Utilize a formal, systematic program to identify the "Universe" of sites with possible human health, environmental, and/or safety related problems that are either on or affecting National Forest System lands.

2. Identify the human health and environmental risks at each site based on site characterization factors including screening-level soil and water data that has been taken and analyzed in accordance with EPA quality control procedures.

3. Based on site characterization factors, including screening-level sample data where appropriate, identify those sites that are not affecting National Forest System lands, and can therefore be eliminated from further consideration.

4. Cooperate with other State and Federal agencies, and integrate the Northern Region program with their programs.

5. Develop and maintain a data file of site information that will allow the Region to proactively respond to governmental and public interest group concerns.

In addition to the USFS objectives outlined above, the MBMG objectives also included gathering new information on the economic geology and hydrogeology associated with these abandoned and inactive mines. Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Montana (Section 75-

607, R.C.M., 1947, Amended) the scope and duties of the MBMG include: "...the collection, compilation, and publication of information on Montana's geology, mining, milling, and smelting operations, and ground-water resources; investigations of Montana geology emphasizing economic mineral resources and ground-water quality and quantity."

1.2 ABANDONED AND INACTIVE MINES DEFINED

For the purposes of this study, mines, mills or other processing facilities related to mineral extraction and/or processing are defined as abandoned or inactive as follows:

A mine is considered abandoned if there are no identifiable owners or operators for the facilities, or if the facilities have reverted to federal ownership.

A mine is considered to be inactive if there is an identifiable owner or operator of the facility, but the facility is not currently operating and there are no approved authorizations or permits to operate.

1.3 HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS AT MINES

Abandoned and inactive mines may host a variety of safety, health, and environmental problems. These may include metals that contaminate ground water, surface water, and soils; airborne dust from abandoned tailings impoundments; sedimentation in surface waters from eroding mine and mill waste materials; unstable waste piles with the potential for catastrophic failure; and physical hazards associated with mine openings and dilapidated structures. Although all problems were examined at least visually (See Appendix I - Field Form), the hydrologic environment appears to be affected to the greatest extent. Therefore, this investigation focused most heavily on impacts from the mines to surface and ground water.

Metals are often transported from a mine by water (ground-water discharges or surface runoff) either by being dissolved, suspended, or carried as part of the bedload. When sulfides are present, acid can form which, in turn, increases the solubility of metals. This condition known as Acid Mine Drainage (AMD) is a significant source of metal releases at many of the mine sites in Montana.

1.3.1 Acid Mine Drainage

Trexler and others (1975) identified six components that govern the formation of metalladen acid mine waters. They are

- 1) availability of sulfides, especially pyrite,
- 2) presence of oxygen,
- 3) water in the atmosphere,
- 4) availability of leachable metals,
- 5) availability of water to transport the dissolved constituents, and
- 6) mine characteristics, which affect the other five elements.

To this list, most geochemists would add the availability of minerals such as calcite that can neutralize the acidity. These six components occur not only within the mines themselves, but can exist within mine dumps and mill tailings piles, making waste materials sources of contamination as well.

Acid Mine Drainage (AMD) is formed by the oxidation and dissolution of sulfides, particularly iron pyrite (FeS₂) and pyrrhotite (Fe_{1-x}S). Other sulfides play a minor role in acid generation. Oxidation of iron sulfides forms sulfuric acid (H₂SO₄), sulfate (SO₄⁼), and reduced iron (Fe²⁺). Mining of sulfide-bearing rock exposes the sulfide to atmospheric oxygen thereby beginning the first step of acid formation. Subsequent flooding of mines with oxygen-bearing water provides the needed water and additional oxygen.

The rate limiting step of acid formation is the oxidation of the reduced iron. This oxidation rate can be greatly increased by iron-oxidizing bacteria (*Thiobacillus ferrooxidans*). The oxidized iron produced by biological activity is able to promote further oxidation and dissolution of pyrite, pyrrhotite, and marcasite (FeS_2 - a dimorph of pyrite).

Once formed, the acid can dissolve other metal-sulfide minerals such as arsenopyrite (FeAsS), chalcopyrite (CuFeS₂), galena (PbS), tetrahedrite ([CuFe]₁₂Sb₄S₁₃), and sphalerite ([Zn,Fe]S) to produce high concentrations of copper, lead, zinc, and other metals. Aluminum can be leached by the dissolution of aluminosilicates common in soils and waste material found in southwestern Montana. The dissolution of any given metal is controlled by the solubility of that metal.

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1.3.2 Solubility of Selected Metals

At a pH above 2.2, ferric hydroxide $(Fe[OH]_3)$ precipitates to produce a brown-orange color in surface waters and forms a similar colored coating on rocks in affected streams. Other metals, such as copper, lead, cadmium, zinc, and aluminum, if present in the source rock, may coprecipitate or adsorb onto the ferric hydroxide (Stumm and Morgan, 1981). Alunite $[KAl_3(SO_4)_2(OH)_6]$ and jarosite $[KFe_3(SO_4)_2(OH)_6]$ will precipitate at pH less than 4, depending on $SO_4^{=}$ and K⁺ activities (Lindsay, 1979). Once the acid conditions are present, the solubility of the metal governs its fate and transport:

Manganese solubility is strongly controlled by the redox state of the water and is limited by several minerals such as pyrolusite and manganite; under reduced conditions, pyrolusite (MnO_2) is dissolved and manganite (MnO[OH]) is precipitated. Manganese is found in mineralized environments as rhodochrosite $(MnCO_3)$ and its weathering products.

Aluminum solubility is most often controlled by alunite $(KAl_3[SO_4]_2[OH]_6)$ or by gibbsite $(Al[OH]_3)$ depending on pH. Aluminum is one of the most common elements in rock-forming minerals such as feldspars, micas, and clays.

Silver solubility is strongly affected by the activities of halides such as Cl⁻, F⁻, Br⁻, and I⁻. Redox and pH also affect the solubility of silver, but to a lesser degree. Silver substitutes for other cations in common ore minerals such as tetrahedrite and galena, and is found in the less common hydrothermal minerals pyrargyrite (Ag₃SbS₂) and proustite (Ag₃AsS₃).

Arsenic tends to precipitate and adsorb with iron at low pH and de-sorb or dissolve at higher pH. Thus, once oxidized, arsenic will be found in solution in higher pH waters. At pHs between 3 and 7, the dominant arsenic compound is a monovalent arsenate H_2AsO_4 . Arsenic is abundant in metallic mineral deposits as arsenopyrite (FeAsS), enargite (Cu_3AsS_4), and tennantite ($Cu_{12}As_4S_{13}$), to name a few.

Cadmium solubility data are limited. In soils, the solubility of cadmium is controlled by the carbonate species octavite $(CdCO_3)$ at a soil-pH above 7.5 and by strengite $(Cd_3[PO_4]_2)$ at a soil-pH below 6. In soils, octavite is the dominant control on solubility of cadmium. In water, at low partial pressures of H₂S, CdCO₃ is easily reduced to CDs.

Copper solubility in natural waters is controlled primarily by the carbonate content; malachite ($Cu_2[OH]_2CO_3$) and azurite ($Cu_3[OH]_2[CO_3)_2$) control solubility when CO_3 is available in sufficient concentrations. In soil, copper complexes readily with soil-iron to form cupric ferrite Other compounds such as sulfate and phosphates in soil may also control copper solubility in soils. Copper is present in many ore minerals, including chalcopyrite ($CuFeS_2$), bornite (Cu_2FeS_4), chalcocite (Cu_2S), and tetrahedrite ($Cu_{12}Sb_4S_{13}$).

Mercury readily vaporizes under atmospheric conditions and thus, is most often found in concentrations well below the 25 ug/L equilibrium concentration. The most stable form of mercury in soil is its elemental form. Mercury is found in low temperature hydrothermal ores as cinnabar (HgS), in epithermal (hot springs) deposits as native mercury, and as native mercury in man-made deposits where mercury was used in the processing of gold ores.

Lead concentrations in natural waters are controlled by lead carbonate which has an equilibrium concentration of 50 ug/L at pHs between 7.5 and 8.5. As with other metals, concentrations in solution increase with decreasing pH. In sulfate soils with a pH less than 6, anglesite controls solubility while cerussite, a lead carbonate, controls solubility in buffered soils. Lead occurs in the common ore mineral galena (PbS).

Zinc solubility is controlled by the formation of zinc hydroxide and zinc carbonate in natural waters. At pHs greater than 8, the equilibrium concentration of zinc in waters with a high bicarbonate content is less than 100 ug/L. Franklinite may control solubility at pH less than 5 in water and soils, and is strongly affected by sulfate concentrations. Thus, production of sulfate from AMD may ultimately control solubility of zinc in water affected by mining. Sphalerite (ZnS is common in mineralized systems.

(References: Lindsay, 1979; Stumm and Morgan, 1981; Hem, 1985; Maest and Metesh, 1993)

1.3.3 The Use of pH and SC to Identify Problems

In similar mine evaluation studies, pH and specific conductance (SC) have been used to distinguish "problem" mine sites from those that had no adverse water-related impacts. The general assumption is that low pH (<6.8) and high SC (variable) indicate a problem, and that neutral or higher pH and low SC indicate no problem.

Limiting data collection only to pH and SC largely ignores the various controls on solubility and can lead to erroneous conclusions. Arsenic, for example, is most mobile in waters with higher pH values (>7) and its concentration is strongly dependent on the presence of dissolved iron. Cadmium and lead may also exceed standards in waters with pH values within acceptable limits.

Reliance on SC as an indicator of site conditions can also lead to erroneous conclusions. The SC value of a sample represents 55 to 75 percent of the total dissolved solids (TDS) depending on the concentration of sulfate. Without knowing the sulfate concentration, an estimate of TDS based on SC has a 25 percent error range. Further, without having a statistically significant amount of SC data for a study area, it is hard to define what constitutes a high or low SC value.

Thus, a water-sample with a near-neutral pH and a moderate SC could be interpreted to mean that no adverse impacts have occurred when, in fact, one or more dissolved-metal species may exceed standards. With this in mind, the evaluation of a mine site for adverse impacts on water and soil must include the collection of samples for analysis of metals, cations, and anions.

1.4 METHODOLOGY

1.4.1 Data Sources

The MBMG began this inventory effort by completing a literature search of all known mines in Montana. The MBMG plotted the published location(s) of the mines on US Forest Service maps. From the maps, the MBMG developed an inventory of all known mines which were located on or could affect National Forests System lands in Montana. The following data sources were used:

- 1) the MILS database (U.S. Bureau of Mines),
- 2) the MRDS database (U.S. Geological Survey),
- 3) published compilations of mines and prospects data,
- 4) state publications on mineral deposits,
- 5) U.S. Geological Survey publications on the general geology of some quads,
- 6) recent USGS/USBM mineral resource potential studies of proposed wilderness areas, and
- 7) MBMG mineral property files.

During subsequent field visits, the MBMG located numerous mines and prospects for which no previous information existed. Conversely, other mines for which data existed could not be found.

1.4.2 Pre-field Screening

Field crews visited only sites with the potential to release hazardous substances, and sites which did not have enough information to make that determination without a field visit. For problems to exist, a site must have both a source of hazardous substances and a method of transport from the site. Most metal mines contain a source for hazardous substances, but the common transport mechanism, water, is not always present. Consequently, sites on dry ridgetops were assumed to be lacking this transport mechanism, while mines described in the literature as small prospects were considered to have an inconsequential hazardous materials source; neither were visited.

In addition, the MBMG and the USFS developed screening criteria (Table 1) which they used to determine if a site had the potential to release hazardous substances or posed other environmental or safety hazards. The first page of the Field Form (Appendix I) contains the screening criteria. If any of the answers were "yes" or unknown, the site was visited. Personal knowledge of a site and published information were used to answer the questions. Forest Service mineral administrators used these criteria to "screen out" several sites using their knowledge of an area.

Table 1 Screening Criteria

Yes No

- _____1. Mill site or tailings present
- _____ 2. Adits with discharge or evidence of a discharge
- _____ 3. Evidence of or strong likelihood for metal leaching or AMD (water stains, stressed or lack of vegetation, waste below water table, etc.)
- _____ 4. Mine waste in floodplain or shows signs of water erosion
- _____ 5. Residences, high public use area, or environmentally sensitive area (as listed
- in HRS) within 200 feet of disturbance
- _____ 6. Hazardous wastes/materials (chemical containers, explosives, etc.)
- ____ 7. Open adits/shafts, highwalls, or hazardous structures/debris

If the answers to questions 1 through 6 were <u>all</u> "NO" (based on literature, personal knowledge, or site visit), then the site was not investigated any further.

Mine sites which were not visited were retained in the database along with the data source(s) that were consulted (See Appendix II). However, often these sites were viewed from a distance while visiting another site. In this way the accuracy of the consulted information was often checked.

Placer mines were not studied as part of this project. Although mercury was used in amalgamation, the complex nature of placer deposits makes detection of mercury difficult and is beyond the scope of this inventory. Due their oxidized nature, placer deposits are not likely to contain other anomalous concentrations of heavy metals. Limestone and building stone quarries, gravel pits, and phosphate mines were considered to be free of anomalous concentrations of hazardous substances, and were not examined.

1.4.3 Field Screening

All sites which could not be screened out, as described above, were visited. All visits were conducted in accordance with a Health and Safety Plan which was developed for each Forest. An MBMG geologist usually made the initial field visit. The geologist gathered information on environmental degradation, hazardous mine openings, presence of historic structures, and land ownership. All site locations were refined using conventional field methods or by USFS Geographic Position System (GPS) crews. Each site is located by latitude/longitude and by Township-Range-Section-Tract (see Appendix I for explanation).

At sites for which little geologic or mining data existed, geologists characterized the geology, collected samples for geochemical analysis, evaluated the deposit, and described workings and processing facilities present.

Sites with potential environmental problems were studied more extensively. The selectior of these sites was made during the initial field visit using the previously developed screening criteria (Table 1). In other words, if at least one of the first six screening criteria was met, the site was studied further. Sites which were not studied further are included in Appendix III.

On public lands, sites with ground-water discharge, flowing surface water, or contaminated soils as indicated by impacts on vegetation, the geologist constructed a Brunton and tape map showing the workings, exposed geology, dumps, tailings, surface water, and geologic-sample locations.

1.4.3.1 Collection of Geologic Samples

The geologist took the following samples, as appropriate:

1) select samples - specimens representing a particular rock type taken for assay;

2) composite samples - rock and soil taken systematically from a dump or tailings pile for assay, representing the overall composition of material in the source;

3) leach samples - duplicates of selected composite samples for testing leachable metals (EPA Method 1312).

The three types of samples were used, respectively, to characterize the economic geology of the deposit, to examine the value and metal content of dumps and tailings, and to check the availability of metals for leaching when exposed to water. Assay samples (Appendix IV) were only taken to provide some information on the types of metals present and a rough indication of their concentrations. Outcrops and waste-materials were not sampled extensively enough to provide reliable estimates of tonnages, grades, or economic feasibility.

1.4.4 Field Methods

A hydrogeologist visited all of the sites that the geologist determined had the potential for environmental problems. A hydrogeologist also visited the sites that only had evidence of seasonal water discharges, possible sedimentation, airborne dust, mine hazards, or stability problems and determined if there was a potential for significant environmental problems. The hydrogeologist then determined whether sampling was warranted and, if so, selected locations for all soil and water sampling.

1.4.4.1 Selection of Sample Sites

This project focused on the impact of mining on surface water, ground water, and soils. The reasoning behind this approach was that a mine disturbance may have high total metal concentrations yet may be releasing few metals into the surface water, ground water, or soil. Conversely, another disturbance could have lower total metal content, but be releasing metals in concentrations that adversely impact the environment.

The hydrogeologist selected and marked water and soil sampling locations based on field parameters (SC, pH, Eh, etc.) and observations (e.g. erosion and staining of soils/streambeds). The hydrogeologist chose sample locations that would provide the best information on the relative impact of the site to surface water and soils. If possible, surface water sample locations were chosen that were upstream, downstream, and at any discharge points associated with the site. Soil sample locations were selected in areas where waste material was obviously impacting nature material. In most cases where applicable, a composite-sample location across a soil/waste mixing area was selected. In addition, all sample sites were located so as to assess conditions on Nationa Forest System lands; therefore, samples sites were located on National Forest System lands to the extent ownership boundaries were known.

Since monitoring wells were not installed as part of this investigation, the evaluation of impacts to ground water was limited to strategic sampling of surface water and soils. Background water-quality data is restricted to upstream surface water samples; background soil samples were not collected. Laboratory tests were used to determine the propensity of waste material to release metals and may lend additional insight to possible ground-water contamination at a site.

1.4.4.2 Marking and Labeling Sample Sites

Sample location stakes were placed as close as possible to the actual sample location and labeled with a sample identification number. The visiting hydrogeologist wrote a site sampling and analysis plan (SAP) for each mine site or development area which was then approved by the USFS project manager. Each sample location was plotted on the site map or topographic map and described in the SAP; each sample site was given a unique identifier based on its location as follows:

- \underline{D} \underline{DA} \underline{T} \underline{L} \underline{I} \underline{C}
- D: Drainage area determined from topographic map
- DA: Development Area (dominant mine)
- T: Sample type: <u>T</u> Tailings, <u>W</u> Waste Rock, <u>D</u> Soil, <u>A</u> Alluvium, <u>L</u> - Slag <u>S</u> - Surface Water, <u>G</u> - Ground Water
- L: Sample Location (1-9)
- I: Sample Interval (default is 0)
- C: Sample Concentration (<u>High</u>, <u>Medium</u>, <u>Low</u>) determined by the hydrogeologist based on field parameters.

1.4.4.3 Collection of Water and Soil Samples

Sampling crews collected solid and liquid samples, and took field measurements (e.g. stream flow) in accordance with the following:

Sampling and Analysis Plan (SAP) - These plans are site specific and they specify the type, location, and number of samples and field measurements to be taken at a site.

Quality Assurance Project Plan or QAPP (Metesh, 1992) - This plan guides the overall collection, transportation, storage, and analysis of samples, and the collection of field measurements.

MBMG Standard Field Operating Procedures (SOP) - The SOP specifies how field samples and measurements will be taken.

1.4.4.4 Existing Data

Data collected in previous investigations were not qualified nor validated under this project. The Quality Assurance Managers and Project Hydrogeologist determined the useability of such data.

1.4.5 Analytical Methods

The MBMG Analytical Division performed the laboratory analyses and conformed, as applicable, to the following:

Contract Laboratory Statement of Work, Inorganic Analyses, Multi-media, Multiconcentration. March 1990, SOW 3/90, Document Number ILM02.0, U.S. EPA, Environmental Monitoring and Support Laboratory, Las Vegas, NV.

Method 200.8 Determination of Trace Metals in Water and Waste by Inductively Coupled Plasma and Mass Spectrometry - U.S. EPA

Method 200.7 Determination of Trace Metals in Water and Waste by Inductively Coupled Plasma and Mass Spectrometry - U.S. EPA

If a Contract Laboratory Procedure method did not exist for a given analysis, the following method was used:

Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Waste - Physical/Chemical Methods, SW-846, 3rd edition, U.S. EPA, Washington D.C.

EPA Method 1312 Acid-rain Simulation Leach Test Procedure -Physical/Chemical Methods, SW-846, 3rd edition, U.S. EPA, Washington D.C., Appendix G.

All analyses performed in the laboratory conformed to the MBMG Laboratory Analytical Protocol (LAP).

1.4.6 Standards

EPA and various state agencies have developed human health and environmental standard for various metals. To try put the metal concentrations that were measured into some perspective, they were compared to these developed standards. However, it is understood that metal concentrations in mineralized areas may naturally exceed these standards.

1.4.6.1 Water-Quality Standards

The Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) directs EPA to develop standards for **potable** water. Some of these standards are mandatory (primary) and some are desired (secondary). The standards established under the SDWA are often referred to as primary and secondary maximum contaminant levels (MCLs). Similarly, the Clean Water Act (CWA) directs EPA to develop acute and chronic water quality standards that will protect **aquatic organisms**. These standards may vary with water hardness and are often referred to as the Aquatic Life Standards. The primary and secondary MCLs along with the acute and chronic Aquatic Life Standards for selected metals are listed in Table 2. In some state investigations, the standards are applied to samples collected as total-recoverable metals. Since total-recoverable-metals concentrations are difficult, if not impossible to reproduce, this investigation used dissolved metals concentrations.

1.4.6.2 Soil Standards

There are no federal standards for concentrations of metals and other constituents in soils; acceptable limits for such are often based on human and/or environmental risk assessments for an area. Since no assessments of this kind have been done, concentrations of metals in soils were compared to the limits postulated by the U.S. EPA and the Montana Department of Health and Environmental Sciences for sites within the Clark Fork River Basin in Montana. The proposed upper limit for lead in soils is 1000 mg/Kg to 2000 mg/Kg, and 80 to 100 mg/Kg for arsenic in **residential** areas. The Clark Fork Superfund Background Levels (Harrington-MDHES, 1993) are listed in Table 3.

Table 2 Water-quality Standards

	PRIMARY MCL ⁽¹⁾ (mg/l)	SECONDARY MCL ⁽²⁾ (mg/l)	AQUATIC LIFE ACUTE ^(3,4) (mg/l)	AQUATIC LIFE CHRONIC ^(3,5) (mg/l)
Aluminum		.052	.05	.087
Arsenic	.05		.36	.19
Barium	2			
Cadmium	.005		.0039/.0086(6)	.0011/.0020 ⁽⁶⁾
Chromium	.1		$1.7/3.1^{(6,7)}$.21/.37 ^(6,7)
Copper		1	.018/.034(6)	.012/.012 ⁽⁶⁾
Fluoride	4	2		
Iron		.3	1	
Lead	.05		.082/.2 ⁽⁶⁾	.0032/.0077 ⁽⁶⁾
Manganese		.05		
Mercury	.002		.0024	.000012
Nickel	.1		1.4/2.5 ⁽⁶⁾	.16/.28 ⁽⁶⁾
Silver		.1	.0041 ⁽⁸⁾	.000012 ⁽⁸⁾
Zinc		5	.12/.21 ⁽⁶⁾	.11/.19 ⁽⁶⁾
Chloride		250		
Silicon		250		
Nitrate	10 (as N)			
Sulfate	500 ⁽⁹⁾	250		
pH (Standard Units)		6.5 - 8.5		

40 CFR 141; revised through 8/3/93
 40 CFR 143; revised through 7/1/91
 Priority Pollutants, EPA Region VIII, August 1990
 Maximum concentration not to be exceeded more than <u>once</u> every 3 years.
 4-day average not to be exceeded more than <u>once</u> every 3 years.
 Hardness dependent. Values are calculated at 100 mg/L and 200 mg/L.
 Cr⁺³ species.
 Hardness dependent. Values are calculated at 100 mg/L.
 Proposed, secondary will be superseded.

Reference	As	Cd	Cu	Pb	Zn
U.S. Mean soil	6.7	.73	24.0	20.0	58
Helena Valley Mean soil	16.5	.24	16.3	11.5	46.9
Missoula Lake Bed Sediments	-	.2	25.0	34.0	105
Blackfoot River	4.0	<.1	13.0	-	-
Phytotoxic Concentration	100	100	100	1,000	500

 Table 3

 Clark Fork Superfund Background Levels (mg/Kg) for Soils

1.4.7 Analytical Results

The results of the sample analyses were used to estimate the nature and extent of potential impact to the environment and human health. Selected results for each site are presented in the discussion; a complete listing of water-quality, soil chemistry, and acid rain leach test results are presented in Appendix V.

All of the data for this project were collated with existing data and were incorporated into a new MBMG abandoned - inactive mines database. The database will eventually include mines and prospects throughout Montana. It is designed to be the most complete compilation available for information on the location, geology, hydrogeology, production history, mine workings, references, and environmental impact of each of Montana's mining properties. The data-fields in the current database are presented in Appendix VI and are compatible with the MBMG ARC/INFO Geographical Information System (GIS).

1.5 DEERLODGE NATIONAL FOREST

The 1.3 million-acre Deerlodge National Forest (DNF administered land) straddles the Continental Divide in southwestern Montana (Figure 1). Headquartered in Butte, it lies in the heart of historic mining country. The Forest's eight mountain ranges, with elevations ranging from 4,075 to 10,604 feet, create a diverse landscape graduating from semiarid grassland foothills near the valley bottoms, to coniferous forests, to alpine regions of steep rocky peaks.

1.5.1 History of Mining

Some knowledge of the local mining history is helpful in understanding the problems created by the abandoned and inactive mines in the area. Gold was first discovered in the Deerlodge National Forest area on Gold Creek in the southwest portion of Powell County in 1852. By 1860, some gold placer mines were operating on Gold Creek, but most gold placers were discovered about 1865. Associated lode deposits were located soon thereafter.

Placers reached their maximum production before 1872, when the richest ones began to play out. By 1870, production from gold and silver lode deposits had become important. Most lode mines had been discovered by the late 1880s, with the main period of production from 1880 to 1907. Mines with silver as the major commodity were most active from 1883 until 1893, when the silver panic forced the closure of many of these polymetallic mines. Many operations never resumed. Mines yielding gold ores, especially of the "free milling" variety, which contain free gold, enjoyed a greater longevity. Some of these gold producers were worked until 1942, when the federal government placed restrictions on gold mining as a result of World War II. During World War II, government price supports and essential industry rulings brought many small to medium copper, lead, and zinc properties into production. Following the warm the increase supply and labor costs coupled with the withdrawal of price supports prematurely closed most of these properties. The Korean conflict brought some of these back on line as once again the government influenced the economics of mining. Additional properties were brought on line as the Defense Logistics Agency went through a period of creating stockpiles of critical strategic minerals.

Town such as Philipsburg were turned into industrial centers for production of manganese until the quotas were met and, once again, the buying programs and price supports were eliminated creating ghost towns, partially mined deposits, and environmental hazards. For most, it may be decades or centuries before economics will coax them into production.

These boom-to-bust cycles continued with government influence through the 1980's when new environmental standards closed the Anaconda smelter and left many of the mines with place to sell the ore. The resulting inactive-abandoned properties continue to impact the environment.

1.5.1.1 Production

The total value of minerals produced from lode mines within the Deerlodge National Forest boundaries was probably more than \$60 million at the time of production (USGS/USBM, 1978; O'Neill and others, 1983; Loen and Pearson, 1984; Elliott and others, 1992). This excludes the Butte and Philipsburg districts whose production totals are \$6 billion and \$91 million, respectively. These districts lie adjacent to, but outside of, the Deerlodge National Forest.

Vicinity Map Deerlodge National Forest

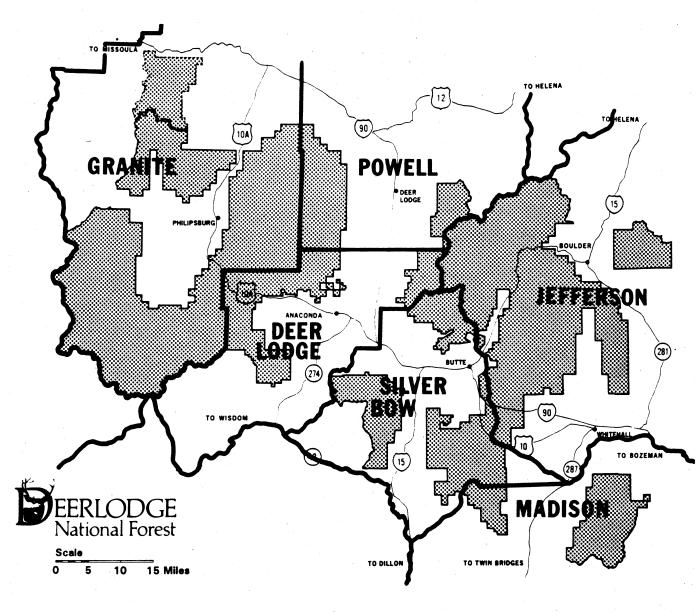






FIGURE 1



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Deerlodge National Forest Lands



County Boundaries

1.5.1.2 Milling

An understanding of the history of milling developments is essential for interpreting mill sites, understanding tailings characteristics, and determining the potential for the presence of hazardous substances. Mills, usually adjacent to the mine, produce two materials: 1) a product which is either the commodity itself or a concentrate which is shipped offsite to other facilities for further refinement, and 2) waste, which is called tailings.

In the 1800s, almost all mills treated ore by crushing and/or grinding to a fairly coarse size followed by concentration using gravity methods. Polymetallic sulfide-ores were concentrated and shipped to be smelted (usually to sites off National Forest administered land). Gold was ofter removed from free-milling ores at the mill by mercury-amalgamation. Cyanidation arrived in the U.S. about 1891 and, because it resulted in greater recovery rates, it revolutionized gold extraction in many districts. Like amalgamation, cyanidation also worked only on free milling ores, but it required a finer particle size. About 1910 froth flotation became widely used to concentrate sulfide ores. This process required that the ore be ground and mixed with reagents to liberate the ore-bearing minerals from the barren rock.

Overall, then, there were two fundamental processes used for ore concentration: gravity and flotation, and three main processes used for commodity extraction: amalgamation, cyanidation, and smelting. Each combination of methods produced tailings of different size and composition, each used different chemicals in the process, and each was associated with a different geologic environment.

1.6 SUMMARY OF THE DEERLODGE NATIONAL FOREST INVESTIGATION

A literature search (Emmons and Calkin, 1913; Roby and others, 1960; Becraft and others, 1963; Ruppel, 1963; Earll, 1972; McClernan, 1976; Krohn and Weist, 1977; MILS database, U.S. Bureau of Mines; MRDS database, U.S. Geological Survey USGS/USBM, 1978; Erickson and others, 1981; O'Neill and others, 1983; Wallace and others, 1983; Loen and Pearson, 1984; Elliott and others, 1985; Elliot and others, 1988; Elliott and others, 1992) identified 1057 sites in the general area of the Deerlodge National Forest. The pre-field investigation that followed indicated that there are least 795 abandoned or inactive metal mines and mills that are located on or that affect the Deerlodge National Forest. Most became inoperative long before environmental regulations were put into effect, so tailings piles, wasterock dumps, and mine discharges persist to potentially affect the environment today. Table 4 summarizes the results of the Deerlodge National Forest inventory.

Table 4 Summary of Deerlodge National Forest Investigation

Total Number of Abandoned/Inactive Mine Sites that were:

<u>PART A - Field Form</u> Located in general area from Literature Search Not on or affecting Deerlodge NF	1057 -262
<u>PART B - Field Form (Screening Criteria)</u> Possibly affecting the Deerlodge NF Screened out by DNF minerals administrator OR	795
by description in literature	-275
Not found (location inaccurate)	- 86
Visited by geologist	432
Screened out by geologist	-327
Visited by hydrogeologist	105
Screened out by hydrogeologist	- 4
<u>PART C - Field Form</u> Sampled (Water and Soil)	101
	101

A separate discussion of each of the 101 sites is included in the five volumes that comprise the DNF report. All 1057 sites which had the potential to affect DNF administered land are listed in Appendix II of each volume.

1.7 MINING DISTRICTS AND DRAINAGE BASINS

The Deerlodge National Forest includes all or part of 30 mining districts as defined by the USGS (Elliott and others, 1992; Loen and Pearson, 1984). Some mines are not located in traditional mining districts and, for the purposes of this study, have been organized into areas delineated by topography. In either case, boundaries have been determined in part by changes in geology and in part by drainage divides. This provides a convenient way to separate the Forest into manageable areas for discussion of both geology and hydrology; and perhaps more important it is an aid to the assessment of cumulative environmental impacts on each drainage.

BASIN MINING DISTRICT (CATARACT CREEK DRAINAGE)

The Basin Mining District located in the northeast part of the Deerlodge National Forest (Figure 2) contains two main watersheds, Basin Creek and Cataract Creek; both are tributaries of the Boulder River. A few mines within the District are in other small tributaries of the Boulder River. Figure 3 shows the location of the mines and major drainages within the Basin Mining District.

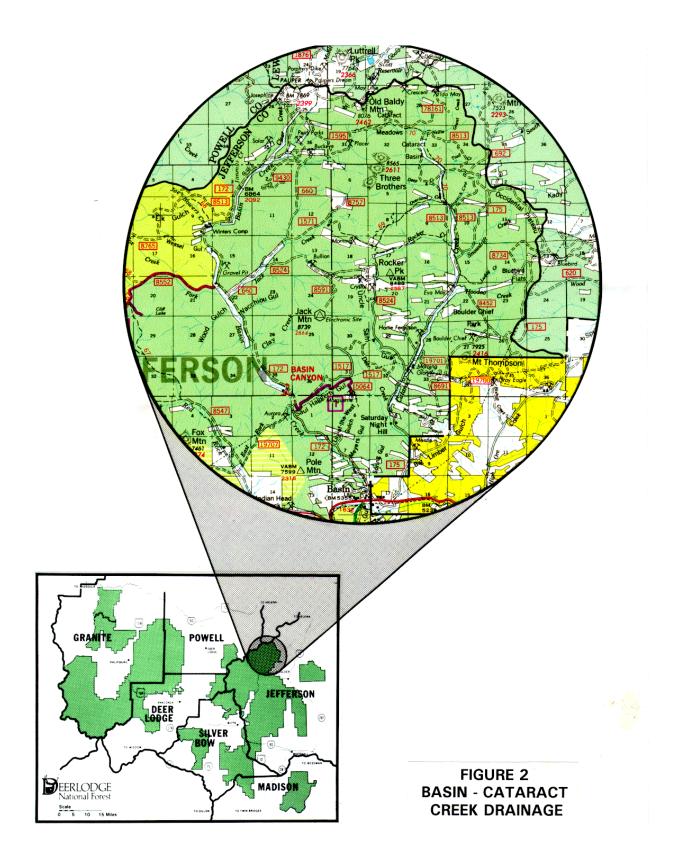
Land use in the District is restricted by the deeply incised streams and rough terrain. Elevations range from a high of 8,739 feet on Jack Mountain to 5,355 feet at the town of Basin. The town of Basin sits at the mouth of Basin Creek and has a population of less than 100 (1990 Montana Census). In addition, there are approximately 20 to 30 homes along Basin and Cataract Creeks; some are year-round residences and others seasonal.

2.1 GEOLOGY

The geologic setting of the Basin District has been well described by Ruppel (1963) and Becraft and others (1963). Throughout the district, quartz monzonite and granodiorite of the Cretaceous Boulder Batholith have intruded quartz latite and andesite of the comagmatic (Rutland, 1985; Watson, 1986) Elkhorn Mountain Volcanics. Tertiary Lowland Creek Volcanics and younger Tertiary rhyolite unconformably overlie portions of the batholith. Unconsolidated Quaternary sediments obscure much of the bedrock geology in the district.

2.2 ECONOMIC GEOLOGY

The economic geology was characterized by Roby and others (1960), Pinckney (1965), and Derkey and Matsueda (1987). The majority of mines and prospects explore veins of quartz, tourmaline, pyrite, galena, tetrahedrite, sphalerite, arsenopyrite, chalcopyrite, and siderite that occupy east-trending, late Cretaceous, extensional shear zones in the batholith and adjacent areas of the Elkhorn Volcanics (Woodward, 1986). The veins are concentrated in several elliptical centers of mineralization. In these mineralization centers, veins are closely spaced, wide (up to 40 feet), and have alteration haloes with concentric quartz-sericite-pyrite, kaolinite-siderite, and montmorillonite-chlorite alteration products (Pinckney, 1965).



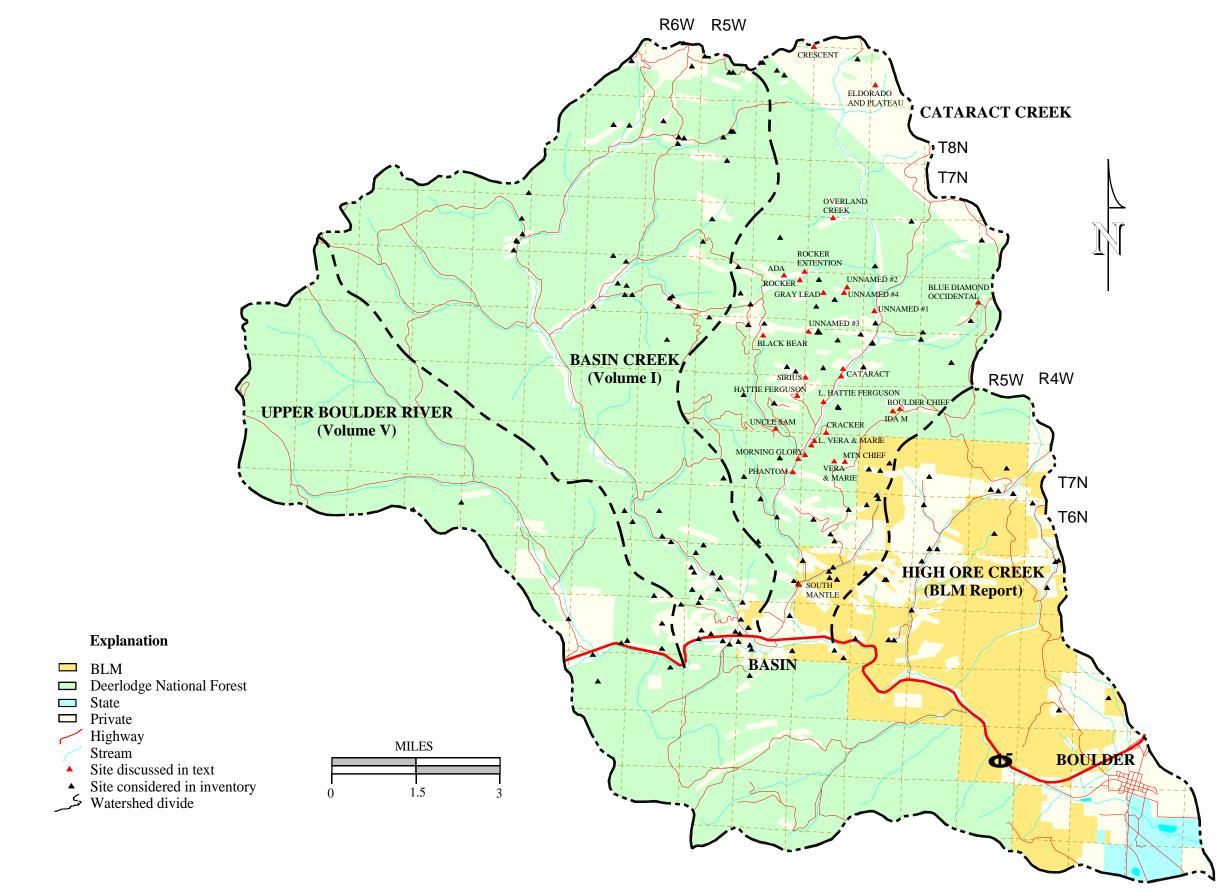


Figure 3. The Cataract Creek drainage is in the upper Boulder River drainage which includes Basin Creek (Volume I). The remaining sites on USFS adminitered lands in the upper Boulder River are discussed in the Jefferson River report (Volume V). Abandoned - inactive mines in High Ore Creek are on BLM administered lands and are discussed in MBMG Open-file report348.

The veins themselves can be several miles in length, but on their distal ends they narrow, have less wallrock alteration, bear fewer sulfides, and contain more siderite, chalcedony, and calcite. The veins were mined mainly for their silver and base metal content, although some contained appreciable amounts of gold. Silver to gold ratios were very high. Samples collected in this investigation averaged 80:1.

Lode production in the district from 1902-1957 was 129,040 oz gold (Au), 5,603,300 oz silver (Ag), 4,237,522 lbs copper (Cu), 35,293,697 lbs lead (Pb), and 27,201,179 lbs zinc (Zn), worth \$15,609,000 at the time of production (Elliot and others, 1992).

A few mines and prospects are located in late Cretaceous to early Tertiary NW- to NEstriking veins and breccia zones that cross-cut and offset the east-west veins. This mineralization consists mostly of fine-grained to microcrystalline quartz, hematite, minor pyrite, and local barite. Metal values are usually low and little production has been recorded from this type of system. The breccia zones were often later intruded by Tertiary quartz latite clastic dikes with no associated alteration or mineralization (Ruppel, 1963).

2.2.1 Processing

The high-sulfide ores required concentration by gravity or flotation in mills scattered throughout the district. The concentrate was usually smelted to recover metals; probably neither mercury nor cyanide were used at most mills in the Basin District. Both mine dumps and mill tailings in the area usually have abundant pyrite and significant metal content, and can be sources of contamination.

2.2.2 Uranium

Uranium mineralization is associated with the late stages of hydrothermal activity in these veins (Becraft, 1956; Thurlow and Reyner, 1952). As a result, slightly elevated gamma radiation levels can be detected at many of the dumps and tailings piles. No uranium production from the district has been recorded.

2.2.3 Open Pit Mines

At the Basin Creek mine, an active mine on the boundary between Deerlodge National Forest and Helena National Forest, disseminated gold has been open pit mined from Tertiary rhyolite which covers the batholith. This particular mine is in the Basin Creek drainage near the drainage divide, but is not within the Cataract Creek drainage. All abandoned mines associated with this ore body are outside Deerlodge National Forest boundaries. In the Cataract Creek drainage, the Crystal mine has small open pits on private land.

2.2.4 Placer Mines

Gold placer workings are common in the district. The placers appear to be unrelated to the east-west veins. The distribution of placer gold was probably complicated by Pleistocene glaciation. A by-product of some placer operations was cassiterite in the form of wood tin. Its source may be the Tertiary rhyolite (Brinker, 1944).

2.3 MINERAL RESOURCE POTENTIAL

Although a detailed mineral resource potential study was not done, some inferences can be made from the literature, sample results, and geologic observations. Mineral potential is similar to that described for the Electric Peak Wilderness Area to the northwest (Federspiel and Mayerle, 1988). There is a high potential for the discovery of small high grade silver veins with base metal and some associated gold both adjacent to inactive mines and at depth on known deposits. In fact, Elliott and others (1992) assigned a very high rating for potential discovery of new deposits of this type to much of the Basin district. Similar veins may exist to the northwest, where batholithic host rocks are covered by Tertiary volcanic rocks and Quaternary sediments.

However, deposits are small, contain only unpredictable and sporadic gold, have high arsenic content, and must be mined by expensive underground methods. This deposit type is probably of interest only to small miners. A few larger exploration targets may exist. These are areas of closely spaced veins with high gold values and relatively extensive alteration haloes that have the potential to host disseminated gold. Examples are the Eldorado and Plateau area, the Uncle Sam area, and the Sirius area. Some of these have recently been tested by exploration programs, but results are not available.

Under Quaternary cover to the west and northwest of the area, there is some potential for Tertiary disseminated gold mineralization similar to that of the Basin Creek mine.

Dumps and tailings piles may also constitute a resource in the Basin District. Preliminary sampling suggests that the Cataract tailings (1000 tons at .053 oz/ton Au and 3.37 oz/ton Ag) contains fairly high grade ore. Placer tin deposits could become reserves under favorable economic conditions.

2.4 HYDROLOGY AND HYDROGEOLOGY

The average annual precipitation for the area ranges from 12 to 14 inches in valleys; most precipitation occurs in the spring months in the form of snow or rain. Temperatures in southwest Montana can be extreme and range from well below 0°F during the winter months to over 90°F during the summer; freezing temperatures can occur at any time during the year.

The District contains two main drainages which discharge to the Boulder River. Tributary drainages are numerous and largely controlled by the structure of the underlying plutonic rocks and glacial deposits. There are no stream gage stations in either drainage; both Basin Creek and Cataract Creek are perennial streams.

Ground water occurs in the fractured bedrock, alluvial valley fill and glacial moraines within valley bottoms. Ground-water flow in the bedrock is probably controlled by fracture aperture, density, and mineralization. Each of these characteristics can change dramatically in a short distance. Ground-water flow in the unconsolidated material is probably controlled more by local flow conditions than by the bedrock aquifer (Metesh and others, 1994). This fact becomes important on mine and mill sites where there is the potential for leaching metals from the waste material.

2.5 SUMMARY OF THE BASIN MINING DISTRICT - CATARACT CREEK

The Cataract Creek watershed contains the highest concentration of inactive mines in Deerlodge National Forest (DNF administered land). There are 58 mines and 5 mills within the drainage; 51 sites were visited in 1992 and 1993 (Table 5). Twenty-seven mine openings discharge water. Several sites had environmental problems associated with erosion of and runoff from waste materials. As in the rest of the Basin District, mines that explored high-sulfide, east-west veins associated with emplacement of the Boulder Batholith exhibited the most environmental problems. Some, such as the Cataract and Sirius, the Boulder Chief and Ida M., and the Rocker and Ada, explore different portions of the same shear zone.

Table 5 Summary of Basin Mining District (Cataract Creek Drainage)

MINE ¹	OWNER ²	VISIT	SAMPLE ³	REMARKS
Ada	М	Y	Y	Adit discharge
Apollo	Р	Y	Ν	Streamside dump
BaKaMa	F	Y	Ν	Dry caved adit
Billie T.	Р	Y	Ν	Minor soil contamination
Black Bear	М	Y	Y	2 discharges; soil contam.
BlueDiamond/Occidental	F	Y	Y	2 adit discharges
Boulder Chief	F	Y	Y	Discharge; soil contamination;
Cataract	Р	Y	Y	2 short adit discharges
Cataract Tails ⁴	М	Y	Y	In floodplain
Cracker	F	Y	Y	Adit discharge
Crescent	Р	Y	Y	Adit discharge
Crystal	Р	Y	Ν	Adit discharge; previous study
Custer	М	Y	Ν	Dry caved workings
Eldorado and Plateau	F	Y	Y	Caved workings; seeps
Elmer	Р	Y	Ν	Dry caved adit
Eva May ⁴	Р	Y	Ν	Tailings in floodplain
First Shot/Last	Р	Ν	Ν	Ridgetop location
Gray Lead ⁴	F	Y	Y	Tailings and adit discharge
Great Shield	F	Ν	Ν	Unable to locate
Hidden Treasure	U	Ν	Ν	Unable to locate
Hattie Ferguson	Μ	Y	Y	Adit discharges
Ida M.	F	Y	Y	Adit discharge
Ida May	Р	Y	Ν	Flooded shaft, no discharge
John T.	F	Y	Ν	Dry caved adit
Jumbo	Р	Y	Ν	Dry caved adit
Klondyke	М	Y	Ν	Numerous dry workings
Lizzie Osborne	F	Y	Ν	Dry caved adits
Louise	F	Y	Ν	Small dry prospect
Manhattan	Р	Y	Ν	Dry caved workings
Mantle	р	Y	Ν	Streamside dumps
Mary Anne	Р	Y	Ν	Dry workings

TABLE 5 Continued

Mike #14	F	Y	Ν	Dry caved adit
Minneapolis	Р	Y	Ν	Dry caved workings
Morning Glory	F	Y	Y	Unmineralized dumps
Morning Glory Tailings⁴	F	Y	Y	Streamside tailings
Morning Marie	F	Y	Y	Adit discharge
Mountain Chief⁴	М	Y	Y	Adit discharge
Overland Creek	F	Y	Y	Streamside dumps; shaft
Phantom	М	Y	Y	Adit discharge
Piermont #1 East	F	Y	Y	Discharge; see Basin report
Quartz Creek	F	Y	Ν	Caved dry workings
Rocker	Μ	Y	Y	Adit discharge
Rocker Extension	F	Y	Y	Adit discharge
Saint Lawrence	Р	Y	Ν	Flooded open cut
Saint Nick	Р	Y	Ν	Dry caved workings
Saturday Night	F	Y	Ν	Dry caved adit; dump eroded
Seattle	Μ	Y	Ν	Dry caved workings
Sirius	F	Y	Y	Discharge; soil contamination
South Mantle	Р	Y	Y	Streamside dump
Sparkling Water	Р	Y	Ν	Dry
Sylvan	F	Y	Ν	Dry caved adit
Uncle Sam	F	Y	Ν	Dry workings
Unnamed #1	F	Y	Y	Adit discharge
Unnamed #2	F	Y	Y	Adit discharge
Unnamed #3	F	Y	Y	Discharge
Unnamed #4	F	Y	Y	Discharge
Vera and Marie	F	Y	Y	Dump discharge

1) Mines in **bold** may pose environmental problems to DNF administered land and are discussed in the text; others are included only in Appendix II (all mines) and Appendix III (sites visited).

2) Administration/Ownership Designation

F: USFS (DNF)

P: Private

M: Mixed (DNF and private)

U: Owner unknown

3) Solid and/or water samples (including leach samples)

4) Mill sites present

2.5.1 Summary of Environmental Observations

Based on down-stream samples, stressed vegetation, and iron precipitate in the stream bed and high water marks, the Crystal mine in Uncle Sam Gulch is a major contributor to the dissolved-metals loading in Cataract Creek. Few of the other mines in the drainage have discharges that reach the creek and fewer still have waste material in contact with surface water. On DNF administered land, the Boulder Chief is the major contributor of AMD and metals-rich waste material that impact this drainage. Several mines on private ground, such as the Black Bear mine and the Eva May mine are impacting DNF administered land; at these sites, sample collection was restricted to areas below the mine on DNF administered land. However, at least some data were collected for all sites with a potential for off-site impacts to surface water, ground water or soils, on private as well as DNF administered land. The sites listed in **bold** in Table 5 are those that displayed at least some indication of adverse impact and were sampled; these sites are discussed in more detail in the following sections.

2.6 CRESCENT MINE

2.6.1 Site Location and Access

The Crescent mine is on private land near the head of Cataract Creek basin (T8N R5W Section 29AAAD) and, even though cat-work has been done recently, the site is accessible only by foot. The site is approximately 1.5 miles from the main road in Cataract Meadows and is uphil of DNF administered land.

2.6.2 Site History - Geologic Features

A single portal is located on a N70W 71S shear zone containing discontinuous quartzpyrite-galena-sphalerite veins. A select sample of vein material from the dump ran 0.344 oz/ton Au, 9.02 oz/ton Ag, 0.430% Cu, 4.55% Pb, and 0.600% Zn. Production figures show similar values; from 1935-1956, 399 tons of ore was produced with 190 oz Au, 3392 oz Ag, 5466 lbs Cu, 45,934 lbs Pb, and 15,138 lbs Zn recovered (Roby and others, 1960). It appears that the Crescent vein contained much higher gold values than most of the Boulder Batholith veins. According to Becraft and others (1963), there were actually three veins mined on about 800 feet of workings. They also report that a flotation mill was built in 1954, but there were no surface deposits of tailings at the time of this inventory.

2.6.3 Environmental Condition

The site consists of a single caved adit and associated dumps downhill from the adit. Since the site was on private land, a site map was not prepared, nor were detailed observations made of structures on the site.

2.6.3.1 Site Features - Sample Locations

The site was sampled on 7/14/94. The caved adit was discharging water at rate of about 5 gpm. Below the adit there were several acres of dumps and tailings that had recently been reworked by bulldozer. Although the adit was on private land, the discharge reached DNF administered land downstream. A sample of the discharge (CSS10M) was collected as it flowed onto DNF administered land.

2.6.3.2 Soil

Soil on DNF administered land did not appear to have been affected by runoff or sedimentation from the disturbed area. No soil samples were collected.

2.6.3.3 Water

The adit discharge was the only surface water in the area and flowed into a wetlands area downhill. The quality of the adit discharge was poor and exceeded MCLs for several constituents (Table 6). Aluminum, cadmium, lead, and zinc concentrations exceeded both drinking water and aquatic life criteria. The low field pH (<4.0) and low sulfate concentration suggest that little buffering occurs along the stream before it discharges into the wetlands.

	Table 6 Water Quality Exceedences Crescent Mine																		
Sample Site	Al	As	Ba	Cd	Cr	Cu	Fe	Pb	Mn	Hg	Ni	Ag	Zn	Cl	F	NO ₃	SO_4	Si	pН
Adit discharge (CSS10M)	S,A C			P,A C		SAC		P,A C	S				SAC						S

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Exceedence codes:

P - Primary MCL

S - Secondary MCL

A - Aquatic Life Acute

C - Aquatic Life Chronic

Note: The analytical results are listed in Appendix V

2.6.3.4 Vegetation

Vegetation on DNF administered land below the site indicated little, if any, stress except in the discharge stream. Despite the poor quality water, vegetation in the wetlands appeared unaffected. However, dead trees at the downstream end of the wetlands may indicate contaminated ground water discharging from the mine or, possibly, buried tailings.

2.6.3.5 Summary of Environmental Condition

The poor quality discharge is small and represents only a small amount of metals loading to the drainage. There is the possibility, however, of a plume of

contaminated ground water from the mine workings or from buried tailings; the extent of this problem could not be determined within the scope of this inventory.

2.6.4 Structures

All of the structures, waste dumps, and debris were on private land. No building material associated with the mine was observed on DNF administered land.

2.6.5 Safety

Since all of the structures, dumps, and debris were on private land, no evaluation was made with regard to safety. Dead or dying trees in the wetlands area may pose a safety concern, especially during high wind or snowfall.

2.7 ELDORADO AND PLATEAU MINE

2.7.1 Site Location and Access

The Eldorado and Plateau mine is located near the headwaters of Nellie Grant Creek, a tributary of Cataract Creek. The site location (T8N R5W 27 CBCB) is shown on the Chessman Reservoir USGS 7.5 minute quadrangle. Access to the site is by Banner Creek Road, south of Rimini. The entire site is on DNF administered land.

2.7.2 Site History - Geologic Features

A shaft, an adit, and an open cut follow a N84E 70NW shear zone with veins of quartz, pyrite, galena, and sphalerite. The property is of note because a large area of altered, iron-stained quartz monzonite extends to the north and because there are some high metal values associated with the system. A select vein sample ran 0.332 oz/ton Au, 17.63 oz/ton Ag, 0.290 oz/ton Cu, 2.7% Pb, and 4.3% Zn. A vein sample described by the USGS (MRDS database) had 0.25 oz/ton Au and 6 oz/ton Ag.

2.7.3 Environmental Condition

An open cut and several waste-rock dumps were in the central portion of the site. To the west of the cut, there were four collapsed shafts and a mineralized waste-rock dump. Several hundred feet east of the cut, there was a collapsed adit and several cabins and mine buildings. The site covers approximately two acres.

2.7.3.1 Site Features - Sample Locations

The site was sampled on 9/28/93. A seep was flowing at about 0.05 gpm from the west end of the open cut into a standing pool of water (10 ft. x 100 ft.) that was held back by a wasterock dam. A second seep, which was flowing about 0.5 gpm, drained into the pool from the north. Samples were collected from both these seeps (NEPS10H and NEPS20M) and from the pool (NEPS30H). On the day the hydrogeologist visited the site (9/22/93), no flow was observed across the top of the waste-rock dam, but washed sediments below the dam indicate that the dam is intermittently overtopped. A sample was also collected from a small flooded pit at the foot of the dam (NEPS40H). In addition to the water associated with the mine workings, there is a developed spring flowing at about 3 gpm on the hillside south of the cabins. This spring is probably used occasionally as a drinking-water supply by hunters and other recreational users who visit the site. A sample was collected from the spring (NEPS50M).

Nellie Grant Creek is several hundred yards east of the site. The only surface water that was flowing directly from the site into the creek originated from the developed spring. However, the extensive wetlands surrounding the creek suggest that there is a significant ground-water

contribution to stream flow. The seeps and ponded water associated with the open cut and pit may be impacting the ground water that is ultimately discharged in these wetlands. Samples NEPS60L and NEPS70L were collected from the creek to evaluate this potential impact. The creek was flowing at approximately 58 gpm upstream of the development area and at approximately 90 gpm downstream of the development area. Site features and sample locations are shown in Figure 4.

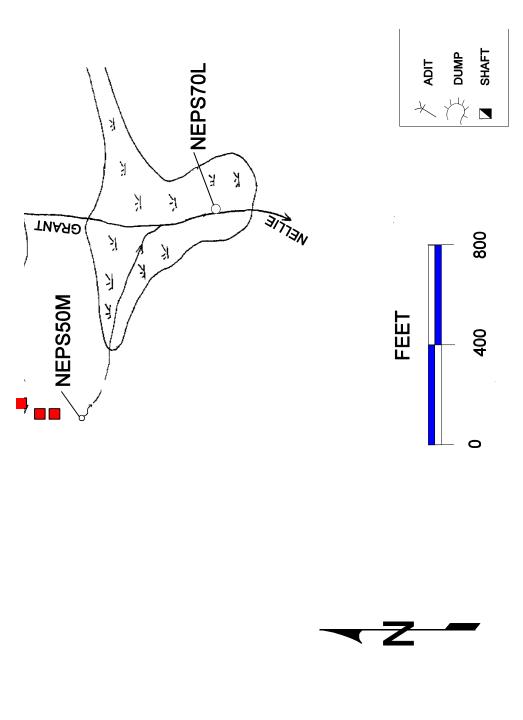






Figure 4A. After spring runoff and precipitation events, water ponds in the lower end of the cat cut.



Figure 4B. The adit (right of the building) was dry, but a seep broke out just below the building and flowed toward the wetlands area.

2.7.3.2 Soil

Erosion of the mineralized waste-rock dumps appeared to be a minimal problem at the site; therefore, no soil samples were collected.

2.7.3.3 Water

The seep on the west end of the open cut, the pool of water in the cut, and the ponded water in the pit below the dam all exceeded MCLs for cadmium, copper, manganese, mercury, zinc, and pH. In addition, both the west seep and the pit water exceeded the MCL for lead. Also, the west seep exceeded MCLs aluminum. The seep on the north side of the pit only exceeded the MCL for mercury. The water from the developed spring exceeded MCLs for mercury and for pH.

Above the site, Nellie Grant Creek exceeded MCLs for aluminum. Downstream of the site, MCL for copper and pH were exceeded.

Table 7Water-Quality ExceedencesEldorado and Plateau Mine

Sample Site	Al	As	Ba	Cd	Cr	Cu	Fe	Pb	Mn	Hg	Ni	Ag	Zn	Cl	F	NO ₃	SO_4	Si	pН
Nellie Grant Cr - Upstream (NEPS60L)																			
Seep at west end of cut (NEPS10H)	S,A C			P,A C		A,C		P,C	S	A,C			S,A C						S
Seep at north side of cut (NEPS20M)										A,C									
Ponded water in cut (NEPS30H)				P,A C		A,C			S	A,C			A,C						S
Ponded water in pit (NEPS40H)				P,A C		A,C		С	S	A,C			A,C						S
Spring - south of cabins (NEPS50M)										A,C									S
Nellie Grant Cr Downstream of site (NEPS70L)																			S

Exceedence codes:

P - Primary MCL

S - Secondary MCL

A - Aquatic Life Acute

C - Aquatic Life Chronic

Note: The analytical results are listed in Appendix V

2.7.3.4 Vegetation

Local undisturbed vegetation at the site included grasses, brush, and conifers. In the wetlands adjacent to Nellie Grant Creek, marsh grasses predominated. In all of the areas disturbed by mining, the ground was barren to sparsely vegetated with weeds and grasses.

2.7.3.5 Summary of Environmental Condition

Water quality within the disturbed area was generally poor, especially in the open cut area. All water samples collected at the site exceeded one or more water-quality criteria. Water samples collected from Nellie Grant Creek above and below the site also exceeded several MCLs: however, these exceedences were probably related to background conditions rather than impact from the mine.

2.7.4 Structures

Two mine building and two cabins were south of the collapsed adit. All of the buildings were in fair condition. One of the mine building housed a large compressor on wheels that was probably used to operate drilling equipment when the mine was active.

2.7.5 Safety

The flooded pit and the depressions around the collapsed shafts pose some hazard. Also, water from the developed spring may not be safe to drink. The site is visited occasionally by hunters and other recreational users and is easily accessible by a 4-wheel drive road.

2.8 OVERLAND CREEK MINE

2.8.1 Site Location and Access

The Overland Creek mine (T7N R5W Section 9BBB) is adjacent to Overland Creek which flows into upper Cataract Creek. The site is approximately 3100 feet upstream from the main Cataract Creek road and is accessible only by foot. The site is entirely on DNF administered land

2.8.2 Site History - Geologic Features

The locations of the workings indicate a N79W vein trend over at least 300 feet of strike length. The eastern shaft has 500 tons of quartz monzonite with kaolinite and siderite alteration products in the dump. A select sample of quartz-tourmaline-pyrite-galena-sphalerite vein ran 0.488 oz/ton Au, 8.03 oz/ton Ag, 0.170% Cu, 6.50% Pb, and 3.3% Zn.

2.8.3 Environmental Condition

The site consists of two flooded shafts with associated waste-rock dumps. About three hundred feet of the stream have been extensively placer-mined, apparently after the underground mining ceased. The distinction between the two methods of mining is difficult in some areas.

2.8.3.1 Site Features - Sample Locations

One shaft was at the east end of the site on the north side of Overland Creek, and the other was on the west end of the site on the south side of Overland Creek. Waste-rock dumps containing appreciable amounts of sulfide minerals were next to each mine shaft. The water-level elevation in the shafts was higher than the water-level elevation of Overland Creek in the vicinity of the shafts. Major site features and sample locations are presented in Figure 5.

Samples were collected on 8/15/92. Surface water samples of Overland Creek were collected upstream (COCS20L) and downstream (COCS10L) of the disturbed area. Additional samples were collected from the north shaft (COCS30M) and the south shaft (COCS40M). Neither shaft was discharging water; the discharge of Overland Creek was about 18 gpm upstream and about 27 gpm downstream of the disturbed area.

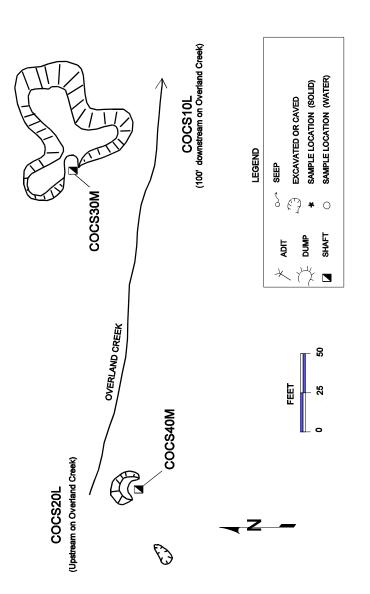


Figure 5 The Overland Creek mine is adjacent to Overland Creek and consists of two shafts and associated dumps. Overland Creek has been placer mined in this area.

2.8.3.2 Soil

There was no evidence of impact to soils at the base of the dumps. The areas below the base of the dumps had been disturbed more by placer activities than by sediments washed from th dumps. No soil samples were collected.

2.8.3.3 Water

Only the water samples collected from the shafts showed any exceedence of MCLs (Table 8). A comparison of the upstream and downstream samples shows at least a slight increase in the concentrations of several metals, arsenic, and sulfate in Overland Creek. These data and the fact that the water levels in the shafts were higher than the stream suggests that contaminated ground water from the mine workings may discharge to the creek.

One constituent, cadmium, decreased across the site. This may be explained by the fact that some buffering is occurring (pH increases from 7.31 to 7.51) and the solubility control on cadmium changes at a pH of 7.5.

Sample Site	Al	As	Ba	Cd	Cr	Cu	Fe	Pb	Mn	Hg	Ni	Ag	Zn	Cl	F	NO ₃	SO_4	Si	pН
Overland Creek - upstream of development area (COCS20L)																			
Shaft south of creek (COCS40M)	S																		
Shaft north of creek (COCS30M)	S			P,A C		С			S				A,C						S
Overland Creek - downstream of development area (COCS10L)																			

Table 8 Water Quality Exceedences Overland Creek Mine

Exceedence codes:

P - Primary MCL

S - Secondary MCL

A - Aquatic Life Acute

C - Aquatic Life Chronic

Note: The analytical results are listed in Appendix V

2.8.3.4 Vegetation

2.8.3.5 Summary of Environmental Condition

Although none of the dumps or workings discharge surface water to Overland Creek, there is most likely contaminated ground water discharging to the creek. The overall impact appears slight, however, since MCLs were not exceeded in samples collected downstream of the site. Increased sedimentation from the placer workings may be of some concern during high runoff periods.

2.8.4 Structures

No significant structures were observed on the site; neither shaft had a gallows frame nor associated buildings.

2.8.5 Safety

The prominent safety concern on this site is the condition of the two shafts; each was covered with a wood bulkhead.

2.9. ADA MINE

2.9.1 Site Location and Access

The Ada mine site (T7N R5W 17ADBA) is near the head of Rocker Creek, a tributary of Cataract Creek, approximately 1.5 miles west of the main road. The site is accessible only by trail. Most of the disturbed area is on DNF administered land with a lesser portion on private land.

2.9.2 Site History - Geologic Features

The Ada mine explores a N72E 70NW vein of quartz, pyrite, sphalerite, galena, tetrahedrite, and chalcopyrite (Ruppel, 1963). The mine was most active from 1900-1902, and was worked intermittently until 1907. Production was about 2000 tons of silver-lead ore mined from a single hanging wall shoot 20-30 feet thick and 80 feet long (Ruppel, 1963). This vein is presently exposed in the caved inclined shaft; a chip sample across the 5 foot width contained 0.024 oz/ton Au, 1.54 oz/ton Ag, 0.06% Cu, 0.19% Pb, and 0.11% Zn. Obviously this does not represent part of the high grade shoot. This vein is probably related to the same shear zone exposed at the Rocker and Rocker Extension mines to the east.

A discharge issues from the main adit, which appears to be a crosscut to the vein with about 1000 feet of underground workings. The dump is comprised of 1500 tons of altered quartz monzonite. A composite sample assayed 0.004 oz/ton Au, 3.75 oz/ton Ag, 0.057% Cu, 0.320% Pb, and 0.005% Zn.

2.9.3 Environmental Condition

The site consisted of eight caved adits, one trench, and one shaft with associated wasterock dumps. The western part of the site, with two caved adits, was privately owned. Several of the adits and the trench were discharging water and soil contamination was evident in areas below several of the dumps.

2.9.3.1 Site Features - Sample Locations

Water from a caved adit on private land in the creek bottom was discharging into Rocker Creek. One of the adits and the trench on DNF administered land discharged water (<0.5 gpm); however, the water completely infiltrated the ground within tens of feet. Fined-grained waste material from the large, eastern adit on DNF administered land had been washed onto native soil. Evidently, in the past, seepage from the eastern adit was channeled to the west side of the wasterock dump and infiltrated the soil. A crust of iron hydroxide extending several inches below land surface was still evident. Major features and sample locations are shown in Figure 6. The site was sampled on 8/4/92. Surface-water samples were collected upstream (CADS20L) and

downstream (CADS50L) of the development area, and downstream of the western adit that was on private ground (CADS30L). Samples were also collected of the water discharging from the adit on DNF administered land (CADS60L) and of the water discharging from the trench on DNF administered land (CADS40L). The discharge rate of Rocker Creek was approximately 18 gpm upstream and 18 gpm downstream of the mine area.

A composite soil sample (5-foot centers) was collected near the base of the eastern wasterock dump (CADD10H) and a grab sample was collected on the west side of the same dump (CADD20H).

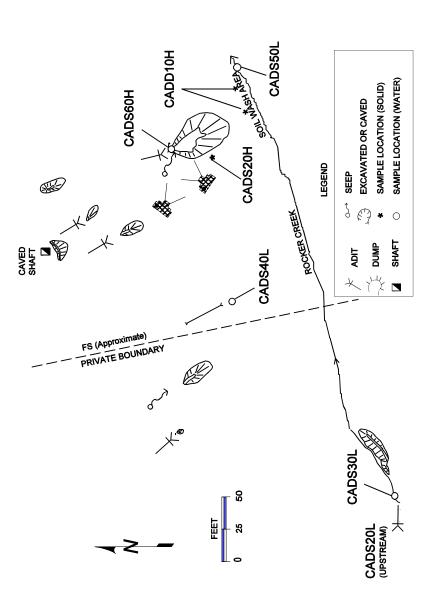


Figure 6 The Ada mine, with several adits and a caved shaft, is on private and DNF administered land. The largest dump, on DNF administered land, is contributing waste material to Rocker Creek.





Figure 6A. A spring emanated from the hillside next to the main adit. This spring infiltrated the ground below the dump.



Figure 6B. Material from the waste-rock dump has been eroded and deposited on native soils below the dump. Some of this material is probably washed into the creek during runoff or precipitation.

2.9.3.2 Soil

Soils have been strongly impacted by material washed from the waste-rock dump associated with the east adit. Phytotoxic limits have been exceeded for arsenic, copper, lead, and zinc in soils that have been actively eroded and washed into Rocker Creek (Table 9).

Table 9 Soil Sampling Results Ada Mine (mg/kg)

Sample Location	As	Cd	Cu	Pb	Zn
Soils wash area - eastern dump (CADD10H)	7835 ^{1,2}	8.9 ¹	309 ^{1,2}	5356 ^{1,2}	1937 ^{1,2}
Soil mix area -eastern dump (CADD20H)	794 ^{1,2}	1.31	49.2 ¹	504 ¹	86.6

(1) Exceeds one or more Clark Fork Superfund Background Levels (Table 3)

(2) Exceeds Phytotoxic levels (Table 3)

2.9.3.3 Water

Both adit discharge streams were acidic (pH <3) and had metals-concentrations exceeding MCLs for drinking water and aquatic life criteria; this is especially true of the east adit (Table 10) Although the discharge rate of the adits was relatively small (<0.5 gpm each), the impact of the adit discharges is evident in the data for Rocker Creek downstream of the site. Cadmium, copper, and manganese each exceeded one or more MCLs on Rocker Creek downstream of the site and pH decreased from greater than 7 upstream to less than 6 downstream.

Table 10 Water Quality Exceedences Ada Mine

Sample Site	Al	As	Ba	Cd	Cr	Cu	Fe	Pb	Mn	Hg	Ni	Ag	Zn	Cl	F	NO ₃	SO_4	Si	pН
Rocker Creek - upstream of site (CADS20L)	S																		
Rocker Creek - downstream of adit (CADS30L)									S										
Adit discharge (CADS40L)		Р		A,C		A,C													
Adit discharge (CADS60L)	S,C	P,A C		P,A C		S,A C	S,A	P,A C	S			С	S,A C				S		S
Rocker Creek - downstream of site (CADS50L)	S,A C			С		A,C			S										S

Exceedence codes:

P - Primary MCL

S - Secondary MCL

A - Aquatic Life Acute

C - Aquatic Life Chronic

Note: The analytical results are listed in Appendix V

2.9.3.4 Vegetation

The waste-rock dumps and soil wash areas below the dumps were devoid of vegetation. The same is true for the area along the adit discharge streams. Vegetation adjacent to Rocker Creek showed some stress near the adit discharge stream; otherwise, there was little apparent stress.

2.9.3.5 Summary of Environmental Condition

The poor quality of the adit discharge streams has had an obvious impact on the quality of water in Rocker Creek and on the vegetation. Likewise, the erosion of waste material from the dumps has had a strong impact on soils.

2.9.4 Structures

Debris from various buildings and adit covers was scattered throughout the mine area. An ore bin on the largest dump is mostly intact.

2.9.5 Safety

The aforementioned ore bin appeared to be structurally sound, but still poses some concern. The waste-rock dumps were steep and footing was precarious in some areas.

2.10. ROCKER MINE

2.10.1 Site Location and Access

The Rocker mine (T7N R5W 17AAAD) is on DNF administered land near the head of Rocker Creek and is downstream of the Ada mine (Section 2.8 of this report). Rocker Creek flows into Cataract Creek about 1.25 miles below the development area. Access to the site is limited to a trail that leads from the Cataract Creek main road up Rocker Creek. This same trail eventually leads into the Basin Creek drainage.

2.10.2 Site History - Geologic Features

Two caved adits, one short caved shaft, and several trenches appear to explore a N65W trending vein in altered quartz monzonite. The Rocker is noteworthy for the presence of some beautiful specimens of Boulder Batholith vein containing quartz, tourmaline, pyrite, sphalerite, galena, tetrahedrite, chalcopyrite, and arsenopyrite. A select sample of this material ran 0.092 oz/ton Au, 6.67 oz/ton Ag, and a few percent Cu, Pb, and Zn.

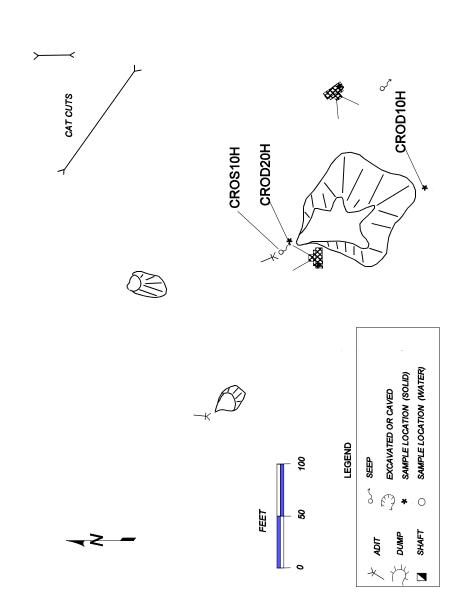
The dump size indicates about 750 feet of workings present. The dump contains about 1500 tons of quartz monzonite with abundant pyrite. A composite sampled assayed 1.46 oz/ton Au.

2.10.3 Environmental Condition

The site had two caved adits and one caved shaft with associated dumps; the southeast adit was discharging water (<1 gpm) which flowed down an old road toward Rocker Creek, but infiltrated the ground before reaching the creek. During high-flow periods, however, the adit discharge probably reaches Rocker Creek. Fine-grained waste material has been eroded from the dump of the larger adit onto native soils.

2.10.3.1 Site Features - Sample Locations

The site was sampled on 8/4/92. A sample of the adit discharge (CROS10H) was collected at the adit. The discharge rate at the sample point was less than 1 gpm. Soil grab-samples were collected at the base of the largest dump (CROD10H) and from the discharge stream area (CROD20H) where soils have obviously been impacted by the discharge water. Site features and sample locations are shown in Figure 7.





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Figure 7A. The adit issued a small discharge that infiltrated the ground before reaching Rocker Creek. There were several structures in poor repair near the caved adit.



Figure 7B. Material from the waste-rock dump has been eroded and washed onto native soils below the dump.

2.10.3.2 Soil

Both the soils collected at the base of the waste-rock dump and near the adit discharge exceeded the phytotoxic limits for arsenic. The soil collected from the base of the waste-rock dump exceeded several other phytotoxic concentrations (Table 11). Lead and zinc concentrations were especially high at the base of the dump.

Table 11 Soil Sampling Results Rocker Mine (mg/kg)

Sample Location	As	Cd	Cu	Pb	Zn
Near base of waste-rock dump (CROD10H)	7835 ^{1,2}	8.9^{1}	309 ^{1,2}	5356 ^{1,2}	1937 ^{1,2}
Adit discharge stream area (CROD20H)	794 ^{1,2}	1.3 ¹	49.2 ¹	504 ¹	86.6

(1) Exceeds one or more Clark Fork Superfund Background Levels (Table 3)

(2) Exceeds Phytotoxic levels (Table 3)

2.10.3.3 Water

The sample of the adit-discharge had concentrations that exceed several MCLs (Table 12). The concentrations of aluminum, copper, and zinc were especially high and the discharge was strongly acidic (pH 3.35).

Table 12 Water Quality Exceedences Rocker Mine

Sample Site	Al	As	Ba	Cd	Cr	Cu	Fe	Pb	Mn	Hg	Ni	Ag	Zn	Cl	F	NO ₃	SO_4	Si	pН
Adit discharge (CROS10H)	S,A C			P,A C		A,C	S,A	P,C	S				A,C						S

Exceedence codes:

P - Primary MCL

S - Secondary MCL

A - Aquatic Life Acute

C - Aquatic Life Chronic

Note: The analytical results are listed in Appendix V

2.10.3.4 Vegetation

The disturbed area was devoid of vegetation. Outside the disturbed area, vegetation appeared to be stressed where waste material had been washed down from the dump at the Rocker mine. The same is true in the area near the adit discharge stream.

2.10.3.5 Summary of Environmental Condition

Much of the impact from the Rocker mine is restricted to the disturbed area; the adit discharge infiltrates the ground and waste material has been washed only a few tens of feet. During runoff events, however, the adit discharge probably reaches Rocker Creek, and fine-grained material from the waste-rock dump may also reach the creek.

2.10.4 Structures

There were several buildings and other structures on the Rocker mine site; all were in poor repair. The largest, intact structure is a small cabin near the entrance of the collapsed adit cover.

2.10.5 Safety

The structures near the collapsed adit were not secure from entry and, because of their poor condition, may pose a risk to safety.

2.11. ROCKER EXTENSION MINE

2.11.1 Site Location and Access

The Rocker Extension (T7N R5W 17ACDC) is on DNF administered land below the Rocker mine (Section 2.9 of this report) near the head of Rocker Creek and is downstream of the Ada mine (Section 2.8 of this report). The mine is immediately adjacent to the creek which flows into Cataract Creek about 1.25 miles below. Access to the site is limited to a trail that leads from the Cataract Creek main road up Rocker Creek and into the Basin Creek drainage to the west.

2.11.2 Site History - Geologic Features

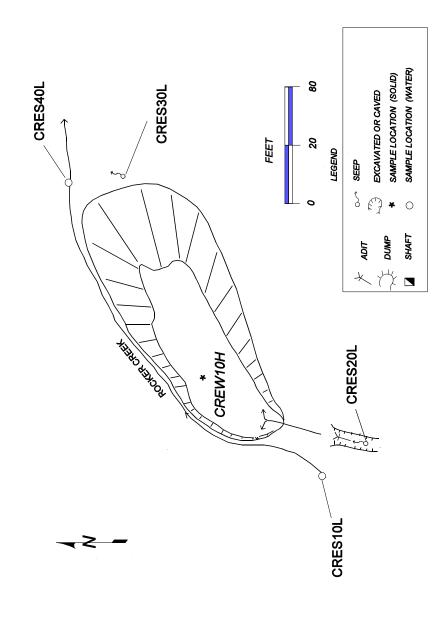
The Rocker Extension has a caved adit with a couple hundred feet of workings. The dump contains 350 tons of altered quartz monzonite with very low metal values.

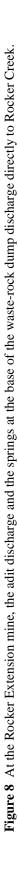
2.11.3 Environmental Condition

The Rocker Extension mine site is in the flood plain of Rocker Creek about 700 feet upstream from the Rocker mine. The site consists of a caved adit and a waste-rock dump, both of which were on the south bank of Rocker Creek. Both the adit and the dump were discharging water. The adit discharge channel contained deposits of ferric hydroxide.

2.11.3.1 Site Features - Sample Locations

Samples were collected on 8/31/93. Surface water samples were collected from Rocker Creek upstream (CRES10L) and downstream (CRES40L) of the site, from the adit seepage (CRES20L), and from the seep at the base of the waste-rock dump (CRES30L) (Figure 8). The adit discharged at a rate of about 2 gpm; the seeps at the base of the dump discharged at a combined rate of about 5 gpm. The discharge rate of Rocker Creek was approximately 560 gpm upstream an 580 gpm downstream of the disturbed area. Since past erosion of the waste-rock dump appeared minimal, no soil samples were collected.





2.11.3.2 Soil

No soil samples were collected at the Rocker Extension mine site.

2.11.3.3 Water

A comparison of water quality upstream and downstream of the disturbed area suggests little impact from the mine (Table 13). Although the concentrations of several metals exceeded MCLs, the concentrations changed very little from upstream to downstream. The adit discharge and the seep at the base of the waste-rock dump appeared to have little impact on Rocker Creek.

Sample Site	Al	As	Ba	Cd	Cr	Cu	Fe	Pb	Mn	Hg	Ni	Ag	Zn	Cl	F	NO ₃	SO_4	Si	pН
Rocker Creek - upstream of site (CRES10L)	S,C					A,C	S	P,C	S										S
Adit discharge (CRES20L)							S		S				A,C						S
Seep at base of waste- rock dump (CRES30L)									S				A,C						S
Rocker Creek - downstream of site (CRES40L)	S,C					A,C	S		S				A,C						S

Table 13Water Quality ExceedencesRocker Extension Mine

Exceedence codes:

P - Primary MCL

S - Secondary MCL

A - Aquatic Life Acute

C - Aquatic Life Chronic

Note: The analytical results are listed in Appendix V

2.11.3.4 Vegetation

No obvious stress to vegetation was observed outside of the disturbed area at the Rocker Extension. The waste rock dumps were generally barren or only sparsely vegetated.

2.11.3.5 Summary of Environmental Condition

The relative impact of the Rocker Extension workings on Rocker Creek appeared to limited to the disturbed area. The quality of Rocker Creek was somewhat poor and did not degrade appreciably as it flows past the site.

Soils showed minimal impact from erosion of waste material; vegetation outside the disturbed area showed little or no stress. Waste material in the floodplain appeared to be stable, but during a high-flow event, at least some material may be eroded by Rocker Creek.

2.11.4 Structures

An ore bin and elevated railway were the dominant structures on the Rocker Extension. Both structures were in poor condition.

2.11.5 Safety

The poor condition of the structures on the site may pose a safety concern. The dumps on this site were particularly steep and tall, and footing was poor.

2.12. GRAY LEAD MINE

2.12.1 Site Location and Access

The Gray Lead mine, on DNF administered land, is at the head of an unnamed drainage above Cataract Creek (T7N R5W 16BCAD). Access to the site is restricted to a little used jeep trail from the main Cataract Creek road approximately 1.5 miles below the site.

2.12.2 Site History - Geologic Features

The Gray Lead includes an open adit with a discharge and 800 feet of total workings that apparently cross cut to a low grade quartz-tourmaline-pyrite vein in quartz monzonite with quartz, sericite, and pyrite alteration products. Mining from 1928-1949 produced 2235 tons of ore which yielded only 135 oz Au, 775 oz Ag, 104 lbs Cu, 27,308 lbs Pb, and 31 lbs Zn (Roby and others, 1963). A gravity mill operated on the site and produced about 800 tons of tailings; a composite sampled assayed 0.022oz/ton Au, 0.97 oz/ton Ag, 0.035% Cu, 1.15% Pb, and 0.093% Zn. The dumps were mostly unaltered quartz monzonite, and even the altered monzonite that is present contains very low metal values.

2.12.3 Environmental Condition

The site consisted of a caved adit, with at least three associated waste-rock dumps, and a demolished mill with tailings. Seeps issued from the base of the lowest waste-rock dump that was cut by an old road. These seeps converged with a natural spring that originated on the site. More seeps originated at the downhill end of the tailings impoundment and flowed toward the natural spring.

2.12.3.1 Site Features - Sample Locations

Surface water and soil samples were collected on 7/30/92. Surface water samples were collected from the adit discharge (CGLS10L), the seeps at the base of the dump (CGLS20L) and from the spring downstream of the mine and mill (CGLS30L). The adit discharged water at about 3 gpm; the seeps at the base of the dump discharged less than 1 gpm; below the disturbed area, the natural spring discharged approximately 0.5 gpm.

A soil-composite sample (CGLD10H) of the area below the tailings was also collected. Site features and sample locations are presented in Figure 9.

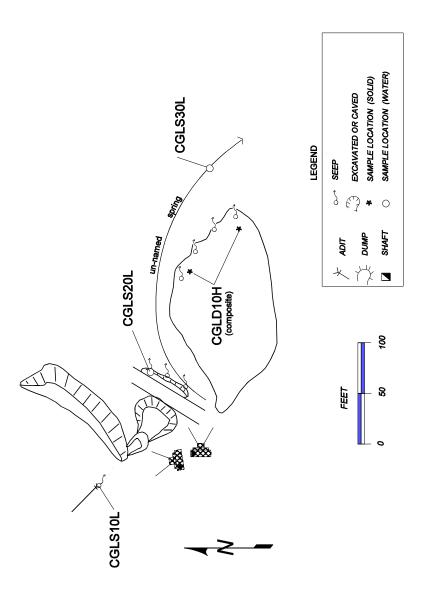






Figure 9A. Tailings from the Gray Lead mill have been washed toward the small stream. Several seeps break at the lower end of the tailings.



Figure 9B. The mill has been partially dismantled or has collapsed (foreground). The waste-rock dumps and adit were near the cabin (background).

2.12.3.2 Soil

The analysis of the soil-composite sample collected near the base of the tailings indicates high concentrations of arsenic, lead, copper, and zinc (Table 14). Each of these constituents exceeded the phytotoxic limits.

Table 14 Soil Sampling Results Gray Lead Mine (mg/kg)

Sample Location	As	Cd	Cu	Pb	Zn
Wash area below tailings (CGLD10H)	7835 ^{1,2}	8.9 ¹	309 ^{1,2}	5356 ^{1,2}	1937 ^{1,2}

(1) Exceeds one or more Clark Fork Superfund Background Levels (Table 3)

(2) Exceeds Phytotoxic levels (Table 3)

2.12.3.3 Water

In many respects, the adit discharge was the least contaminated water on this site. Concentrations of arsenic, lead, and manganese were higher in the seeps than in the adit discharge and exceeded several MCLs (Table 15). Concentrations of arsenic, cadmium, and lead were especially high in the seeps. Arsenic exceeded the MCL in the sample collected downstream of the site. In general, water quality reflects the high concentration of metals in the waste material and contaminated soils on the site.

Table 15 Water Quality Exceedences **Gray Lead Mine**

Sample Site	Al	As	Ba	Cd	Cr	Cu	Fe	Pb	Mn	Hg	Ni	Ag	Zn	Cl	F	NO ₃	SO_4	Si	pН
Adit discharge (CGLS10L)				A,C				С					A,C						
Seep at base of dump(CGLS20L)				P,A C				P,C	S				A,C						
Unnamed stream downstream (CGLS30L)		Р		С				P,C	S				A,C						

Exceedence codes:

P - Primary MCL

S - Secondary MCL

A - Aquatic Life Acute C - Aquatic Life Chronic

Note: The analytical results are listed in Appendix V

2.12.3.4 Vegetation

Vegetation was strongly impacted in the area below the tailings; several dead trees and barren soil were observed. The upper waste-rock dump was completely vegetated while the lower, smaller dump was barren of vegetation. The tailings pile was partially vegetated on its edges, but there was a large area in the center that was barren.

2.12.3.5 Summary of Environmental Condition

The adit discharge presents less of a problem on this site than the seeps originating in the waste material. The tailings probably contribute the greatest amount of metals to ground water and surface water. Soil samples and water samples both indicated high concentrations of metals.

2.12.4 Structures

A demolished mill with some equipment and a small cabin in good repair were observed on the site. The debris from the mill was observed to be scattered over a fairly large area.

2.12.5 Safety

The cabin was secured with locks to restrict entry. The unstable nature of the mill building and piled debris may pose a safety concern. Dead and dying trees near the tailings pile may also pose a concern during high wind or heavy snowfall.

2.13. UNNAMED #4 MINE

2.13.1 Site Location and Access

The Unnamed #4 mine (T7N R5W 16ACBD) was found during the investigation of the Gray Lead mine. The site is approximately 0.5 miles east of the Gray Lead mine and is accessible only by trail. The site is entirely on DNF administered land.

2.13.2 Site History - Geologic Features

No record of the site was found in existing database or literature. The site was not visited by the geologist and was not mapped.

2.13.3 Environmental Condition

The Unnamed #4 mine consisted of a single caved adit and a small dump. There were no other mine workings in the area, nor were there any active streams.

2.13.3.1 Site Features - Sample Locations

The site was sampled on 7/30/92. The single source of water at the site was a seep from the caved adit which was discharging at a rate of about 1 gpm. A surface water sample was collected at the adit (CUXS10L). The small dump appeared stable and no impact to soils was evident.

2.13.3.2 Soil

Since the dump was vegetated and no erosion was evident, no soil samples were collected.

2.13.3.3 Water

Although the adit discharge had a near-neutral pH, concentrations of cadmium and zinc exceeded MCLs for aquatic life criteria (Table 16). No drinking water MCLs were exceeded.

Table 16 Water Quality Exceedences Unnamed #4 Mine

Sample Site	Al	As	Ba	Cd	Cr	Cu	Fe	Pb	Mn	Hg	Ni	Ag	Zn	Cl	F	NO ₃	SO_4	Si	pН
Adit discharge (CUXS10L)				C									A,C						

Exceedence codes:

P - Primary MCL

S - Secondary MCL

A - Aquatic Life Acute

C - Aquatic Life Chronic

Note: The analytical results are listed in Appendix V

2.13.3.4 Vegetation

The vegetation on the site showed little stress from either the discharge stream or material from the waste-rock dump. A portion of the dump and surrounding area appeared to be well vegetated.

2.13.3.5 Summary of Environmental Condition

The adit discharge exceeded only a few standards (aquatic life, only) and the site appeared to have little impact on the immediate area or the drainage in general. Waste material appeared to be stable and did not appear to have impacted the native soils.

2.13.4 Structures

No structures were observed on or near the site.

2.13.5 Safety

No safety concerns were identified for this site.

2.14. UNNAMED #2 MINE

2.14.1 Site Location and Access

The Unnamed #2 mine is about 500 feet north of the Unnamed #4 mine (T7N R5W 16ACBD) and is accessible only by trail. The site is approximately 0.5 miles from the upper Cataract Creek road on DNF administered land.

2.14.2 Site History - Geologic Features

There is a small caved adit which is probably less than 150 feet long on this site. The approximately 250 tons of dump material were composed of altered quartz monzonite with low metal values.

2.14.3 Environmental Condition

There was seepage from the small caved adit and from the base of the rock dump. An old road cut across the site between the adit and the dump. There was no other surface water in the area.

2.14.3.1 Site Features - Sample Locations

Surface water samples were collected on 7/30/92 from the adit seep (CUKS10L) which flows over the dump and infiltrates the ground, and from the seeps at the base of the dump (CUKS20L). The seep from the caved adit discharged about 1 gpm and the seep at the base of the dump discharged less than 0.5 gpm. Although ferric-hydroxide evident in both the adit and the dump seep, no soil contamination was evident below the dump. Site features and sample locations are shown in Figure 10.

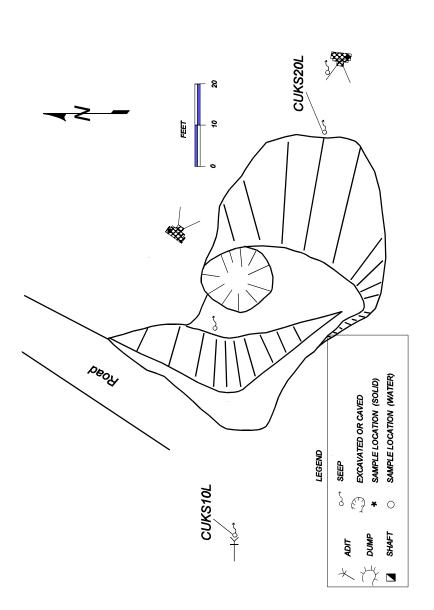


Figure 10 The Unnamed #2 mine discharges water from the caved adit and from the base of the waste-rock dump. Closed depressions in the dump may act as local recharge areas for the seeps.



Figure 10A. There were at least two seeps at the base of the waste-rock dump. Ferric-hydroxide staining was evident in the seep closest to the dump.



Figure 10B. The base of the waste-rock dump was generally well vegetated. Vegetation on the dump was sparse.

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2.14.3.2 Soil

Since there was no evidence of soil contamination near the base of the dump or in the vicinity of the seeps, no samples were collected.

2.14.3.3 Water

Both water samples had manganese concentrations that exceeded the secondary drinking water criteria (Table 17), but the concentration of metals and arsenic in the water seeping from the waste-rock dump were generally higher. The near neutral pH of the waste rock seep, the ferric hydroxide, and the relatively high concentration of arsenic suggests that acidic water in the dump had been buffered.

Table 17 Water Quality Exceedences Unnamed #2 Mine

Sample Site	Al	As	Ba	Cd	Cr	Cu	Fe	Pb	Mn	Hg	Ni	Ag	Zn	Cl	F	NO ₃	SO_4	Si	pН
Adit discharge (CUKS10L)									S										
Seep at base of dump (CUKS20L)		Р					S,A		S										

Exceedence codes:

P - Primary MCL

S - Secondary MCL

A - Aquatic Life Acute

C - Aquatic Life Chronic

Note: The analytical results are listed in Appendix V

2.14.3.4 Vegetation

The base of the dump and the adit area were moderately vegetated. Numerous small deciduous trees were growing at the base and sides of the waste-rock dump. No stressed vegetation was observed outside of the disturbed area.

2.14.3.5 Summary of Environmental Condition

The waste-rock dump is evidently the source for several dissolved metals and arsenic in surface water and probably, ground water. The water within the dump is likely to be acidic and is

then buffered as it seeps from the base. The volume of acidic water was probably small, however there were numerous young trees growing next to the dump and the vegetation in the area appeared to be unaffected.

2.14.4 Structures

An elevated tramway extended from the collapsed adit to the waste-rock dump. Portions of the railway support had collapsed.

2.14.5 Safety

The elevated tramway may pose a threat to safety. No openings or buildings were observed on the site.

2.15. UNNAMED #1 MINE

2.15.1 Site Location and Access

The Unnamed #1 mine is on DNF administered land adjacent to the upper Cataract Creek (T7N R5W 15CBDB). The site is accessible by off-road vehicles from the main Cataract Creek road by crossing the creek.

2.15.2 Site History - Geologic Features

A short (less than 500 feet) caved adit trends N85W in unaltered and altered quartz monzonite. The dump contained about 500 tons of host rock with quartz, sericite, and pyrite alteration products. The pyrite was abundant (> 10%) but coarse grained. A composite sample of the mineralized dump material assayed 0.03 oz/ton Au, 1.25 oz/ton Ag, and only a fraction of a percent of base metals.

2.15.3 Environmental Condition

The site consisted of a caved adit and an associated waste-rock dump. A small seep emanated from the base of the dump and ferric-hydroxide precipitate was evident. A second, small stream ran along the south side of the disturbed area and flowed into Cataract Creek.

2.15.3.1 Site Features - Sample Locations

Surface water samples were collected on 7/27/92 from the seep at the base of the dump (CU1S10H) and upstream of the site on the unnamed stream (CU1S20L). Samples were collected on Cataract Creek, upstream (CU1S40L) and downstream (CU1S30L) of the disturbed area. The dump was partially vegetated; several small trees were growing on the crown of the dump. There was no evidence of soil contamination downhill of the dump or near the stream. The remarkable feature on this site is the abundance of coarse-grained pyrite on the dump. Site features and sample locations are shown in Figure 11.

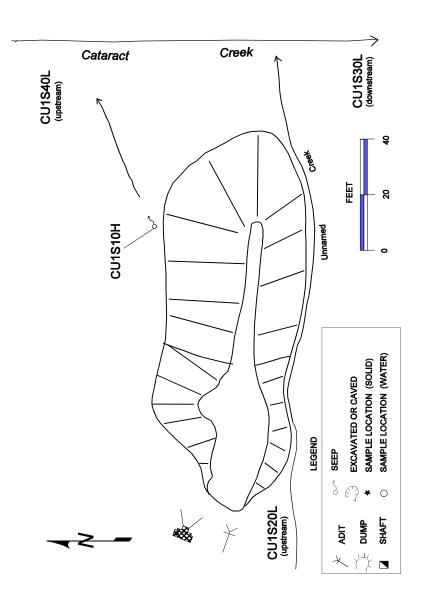






Figure 11A. Despite the large percentage of pyrite, the waste-rock dump of the Unnamed #1 mine was well vegetated. Several small trees were growing on the crown of the dump.

2.15.3.2 Soil

The disturbed area and the area below were stable and showed no indication of soil contamination. No soil samples were collected.

2.15.3.3 Water

Only the seep at the base of the waste-rock dump exceeded the MCL for aluminum (Table 18), and only by a small amount. In fact, the concentration of aluminum in this sample was just above the detection limit. The pH of all the waters was above neutral and the sulfate concentration was very low; there was no evidence of acid being generated and buffered.

Sample Site	Al	As	Ba	Cd	Cr	Cu	Fe	Pb	Mn	Hg	Ni	Ag	Zn	Cl	F	NO ₃	SO_4	Si	pН
Unnamed stream - upstream of development area (CU1S10H)																			
Seep at base of dump (CU1S20L)	А																		
Cataract Creek - upstream (CU1S40L)																			
Cataract Creek - downstream of site (CU1S30L)																			

Table 18Water Quality ExceedencesUnnamed #1 Mine

Exceedence codes:

P - Primary MCL

S - Secondary MCL

A - Aquatic Life Acute

C - Aquatic Life Chronic

Note: The analytical results are listed in Appendix V

2.15.3.4 Vegetation

The vegetation outside of the disturbed area showed no stress due to the waste material or seep. The dump was partially vegetated with grasses and small trees; the adit was almost overgrown.

2.15.3.5 Summary of Environmental Condition

Despite the abundance of pyrite on the waste-rock dump, the water on and near this site was of very good quality. The site was generally well vegetated and there was no evidence of impact to the surrounding area.

2.15.4 Structures

No structures or remnants of structures were observed on the site.

2.15.5 Safety

The slope of the waste-rock dump was steep and footing was poor in some areas. No other features presented safety concerns on this site.

2.16. BLUE DIAMOND - OCCIDENTAL MINES

2.16.1 Site Location and Access

The Blue Diamond and Occidental mines (T7N R5W 14ADDD), on Hoodoo Creek, are at the south end of the Occidental Plateau near the Cataract Creek - Boulder River drainage divide. Access to the site can be gained by the road that follows the nearby power line. The entire area is on DNF administered land.

2.16.2 Site History - Geologic Features

No information existed in the literature for this area. The site is on the western extension of the Bluebird-Pen Yan vein system and consisted of two caved adits on Hoodoo Creek, each about 500 feet long, and numerous short adits and prospect pits. The workings explored two parallel west-trending veins 1000 feet apart. The host rock is Elkhorn Mountain tuff which locally contains quartz, sericite, and pyrite alteration products. A chip sample across 3 feet of brecciated quartz and gossan on the west end of the north vein ran only 0.014 oz/ton Au and 0.83 oz/ton Ag.

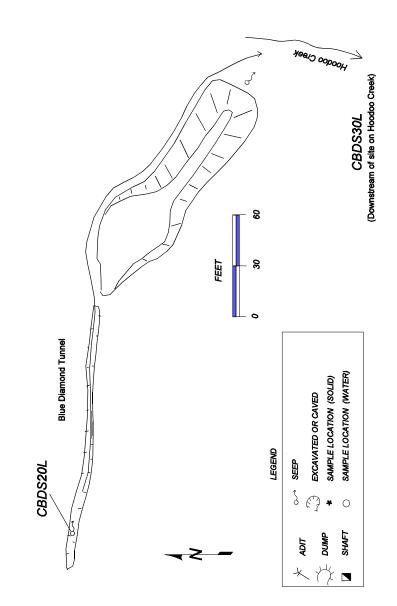
The dump associated with the Occidental adit contained 600 tons of altered tuffs with very low metal values, and 300 tons of unaltered volcanic rock. The Blue Diamond dump contained 1000 tons of altered tuff; a composite sample assayed 0.042 oz/ton Au, 1.14 oz/ton Ag, 0.119% Cu, 0.760% Pb, and 0.056% Zn.

2.16.3 Environmental Condition

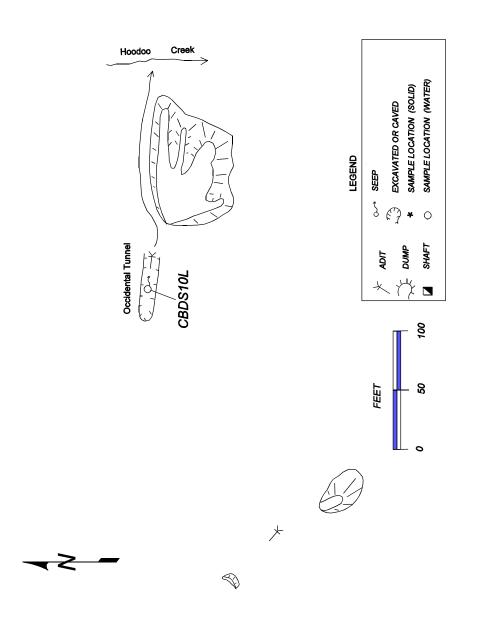
There were three caved adits on the site; two were discharging water to Hoodoo Creek. A small seep emanated from the bottom of the waste-rock dump associated with the Blue Diamond adit.

2.16.3.1 Site Features - Sample Locations

Samples were collected on 7/29/92. Surface-water samples were collected from the Blue Diamond adit (CBDS20L) (Figure 12), from the Occidental adit (CBDS10L) (Figure 13), and from Hoodoo Creek downstream of the disturbed area (CBDS30L) (Figure 12). The dumps appeared stable and there was no evidence of erosion. The Blue Diamond adit was discharging at a rate of about 2 gpm, the Occidental adit was discharging at a rate of about 7 gpm, and Hoodoo Creek downstream of the site was discharging at a rate of about 9 gpm.









2.16.3.2 Soil

No material had been eroded from the dumps and there was no evidence of impact to soils below the dumps. No soil samples were collected.

2.16.3.3 Water

The concentration of aluminum exceeded the secondary drinking water standard in the sample collected from Hoodoo Creek below the disturbed area (Table 19). The pH of the Blue Diamond adit discharge was slightly acidic (6.55), but sulfate and iron concentrations were very low which suggest that there is little or no acid generation/buffering at this site.

Table 19Water Quality ExceedencesBlue Diamond - Occidental Mine

Sample Site	Al	As	Ba	Cd	Cr	Cu	Fe	Pb	Mn	Hg	Ni	Ag	Zn	Cl	F	NO ₃	SO_4	Si	pН
Occidental adit discharge (CBDS10L)																			
Blue Diamond adit discharge (CBDS20L)																			
Hoodoo Creek - downstream of site (CBDS30L)	S																		

Exceedence codes:

P - Primary MCL

S - Secondary MCL

A - Aquatic Life Acute

C - Aquatic Life Chronic

Note: The analytical results are listed in Appendix V

2.16.3.4 Vegetation

There was no obvious impact to vegetation from mining related activities. The vegetation at the base of the dumps appeared healthy and was similar to surrounding areas. Vegetation on the dumps was generally sparse or barren.

2.16.3.5 Summary of Environmental Condition

The quality of water in the adit discharges and in Hoodoo Creek was very good. The concentration of aluminum in the Blue Diamond adit discharge exceeded the secondary drinking water standard, but only by a small amount. The waste-rock dumps appeared to be stable and there was no evidence of impact to native soils outside the disturbed areas.

2.16.4 Structures

No structures or remnants of structures were present on the site.

2.16.5 Safety

The waste-rock dumps were steep in some areas and footing was loose in most areas on the side of dumps.

2.17. BLACK BEAR MINE

2.17.1 Site Location and Access

The Black Bear mine (T7N R5W 21BBBC) is near the head of an unnamed tributary of Cataract Creek approximately 1.25 miles from the main Cataract Creek road. Access to the site is restricted to a jeep trail from the main road. The main workings of the mine are on private land; part of the waste-rock dump and the area downhill is on DNF administered land.

2.17.2 Site History - Geologic Features

The main dump is composed of 3000 tons of quartz monzonite with abundant pyrite from alteration. A composite sample of the dump assayed 0.050 oz/ton Au, 2.07 oz ton Ag, 0.032% Cu, 0.175% Pb, and 0.176% Zn. The sample results indicate a higher grade than what was actually produced.

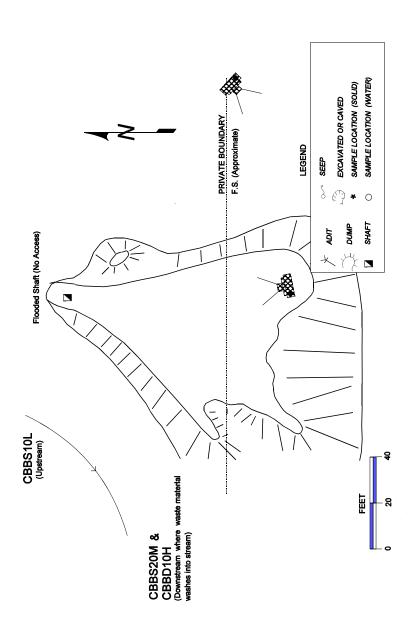
The mine is located on the Crystal shear zone between the Crystal mine and the Eva May mine. It was worked in 1902, 1911, and 1917 with 504 tons of production yielding 64 oz Au, 557 oz Ag, 6720 lbs Cu, 97 lbs Pb, and no Zn (Roby and others, 1960), so it was not a particularly rich mine. Vein minerals were quartz, pyrite, chalcopyrite, galena, and sphalerite.

2.17.3 Environmental Condition

There was a shaft and two caved adits on the site. There was discharge from both adits, but they infiltrated the ground on private land several hundred feet above the stream. Erosion of waste material from the main dump associated with the shaft, had impacted vegetation and soils for several hundred feet downhill.

2.17.3.1 Site Features - Sample Locations

Sampling at this site, which was conducted on 7/30/92, focused on the impacts to DNF administered land; no samples were collected on private land. A surface-water sample was collected upstream of the disturbed area (CBBS10L) and downstream of the disturbed area below the area where waste material has been washed into the stream (CBBS20M). A composite sample of soil (10-foot centers) was collected across the area where waste material has been washed down from the main dump associated with the shaft (CBBD10H). The main workings (shaft) and sample locations are shown in Figure 14. The stream discharge was about 17 gpm above the site and about 19 gpm below the site.



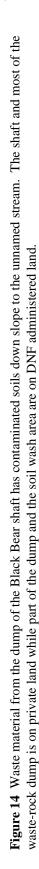




Figure 14A. The main development area of the Black Bear mine consisted of a shaft on private land and a large waste-rock dump on private and DNF land.



Figure 14B. Fined-grained material from the waste-rock dump has been washed several hundred feet downhill toward a small stream. The area was generally devoid of vegetation.

2.17.3.2 Soil

The concentrations of metals and arsenic in the soil near the stream were quite high (Table 20). Arsenic, lead, and zinc exceeded phytotoxic limits. The area from which the sample was collected was only a few feet from the stream. In fact, sediments from this area were observed in the stream bed.

Table 20 Soil Sampling Results Black Bear Mine (mg/kg)

Sample Location	As	Cd	Cu	Pb	Zn
Soil wash area below shaft dump (CBBD10H)	7835 ^{1,2}	8.9 ¹	309 ^{1,2}	5356 ^{1,2}	1937 ^{1,2}

(1) Exceeds one or more Clark Fork Superfund Background Levels (Table 3)

(2) Exceeds Phytotoxic levels (Table 3)

2.17.3.3 Water

The impact of soils being washed into the stream is reflected in the concentrations of metals in the sample collected downstream of the disturbed area (Table 21). Although the concentration of arsenic did not quite exceed MCLs, it probably does exceed the MCL during low-flow conditions or, possibly during runoff events when sediment is moved. Cadmium, copper, and zinc exceeded the MCLs for several criteria. Iron and manganese concentrations were higher in the downstream sample.

Table 21 Water Quality Exceedences Black Bear Mine

Sample Site	Al	As	Ba	Cd	Cr	Cu	Fe	Pb	Mn	Hg	Ni	Ag	Zn	Cl	F	NO ₃	SO_4	Si	pН
Unnamed stream above site (CBBS10L)																			
Unnamed stream below site (CBBS20M)				P,A C		A,C							A,C						

Exceedence codes:

P - Primary MCL

S - Secondary MCL

A - Aquatic Life Acute

C - Aquatic Life Chronic

Note: The analytical results are listed in Appendix V

2.17.3.4 Vegetation

The main dump and the area below the main dump was barren of vegetation from its base to the stream. Vegetation near the stream appeared stressed where waste material had been washed down.

2.17.3.5 Summary of Environmental Condition

There was no direct evidence of ground-water contamination at this site. The waste material that had been washed down from the dump has had a strong impact on soils and vegetation as well as the quality of water in the nearby stream. Metals loading in the stream is probably quite high during storm events or run-off events.

2.17.4 Structures

No structures were observed on DNF administered land. A gallows frame over the shaft and a small dilapidated cabin nearby were observed on private land.

2.17.5 Safety

Since all of the structures were on private land, no direct observations were made regarding safety. However, the shaft did not appear to be adequately covered nor was access restricted.

2.18. UNNAMED #3 MINE

2.18.1 Site Location and Access

The Unnamed #3 mine was found during the investigation of the Black Bear mine. The mine is approximately 0.25 miles east and downhill of the Black Bear near the head of a separate drainage (T7N R5W 21BBDC). Access to the site is the same jeep trail from the main Cataract Creek road that leads to the Black Bear mine. The site is entirely on DNF administered land.

2.18.2 Site History - Geologic Features

This site was not visited by the geologist; no record of the site was found in existing databases or the literature.

2.18.3 Environmental Condition

Three flooded shafts, two caved adits, and numerous cat-cuts were found in an area of about 0.25 square miles. Several of the cat-cuts indicated that water had flowed in the past; several had deposits of ferric-hydroxide in the dry discharge channel.

2.18.3.1 Site Features - Sample Locations

Surface water samples were collected on 7/30/92 at the two points where flowing water was encountered. These included the seep below a flooded shaft in the main disturbed area (CU3S20M) and a seep emanating from a cat-cut or caved adit several hundred feet above the main disturbed area (CU3S10M). Both seeps discharged less than 1 gpm. There were no active streams in the area.

Waste-rock dumps showed little mineralization; pyrite represented only a small fraction. There appeared to be no impact to soils outside of disturbed areas.

2.18.3.2 Soil

The waste-rock dumps appeared stable and no soil-wash areas were found. No soil samples were collected.

2.18.3.3 Water

Water collected from the cat-cut exceeded several MCLs as did water from the shaft seepage (Table 22). The water from the two sample sites does not appear to be the same type, owing to the diverse mineralogy in the area.

Table 22 Water Quality Exceedences Unnamed #3 Mine

Sample Site	Al	As	Ba	Cd	Cr	Cu	Fe	Pb	Mn	Hg	Ni	Ag	Zn	Cl	F	NO ₃	SO_4	Si	pН
Seeps from cat-cut (CU3S10M)		Р											A,C						S
Seep from shaft (CU3S20M)	S,C								S										S

Exceedence codes:

P - Primary MCL

S - Secondary MCL

A - Aquatic Life Acute

C - Aquatic Life Chronic

Note: The analytical results are listed in Appendix V

2.18.3.4 Vegetation

Many of the features in the area were all but obscured by vegetation. Many of the dumps were well vegetated and no stressed vegetation was observed in or near the seeps.

2.18.3.5 Summary of Environmental Condition

Although several MCLs were exceeded in both water samples, there were no active streams in the area. If ground water is contaminated, there appears to be no immediate discharge point. The potential impact to soils is minimal.

2.18.4 Structures

A small cabin with a boiler was observed next to the flooded shaft in the main disturbed area. No other structures were seen in the area.

2.18.5 Safety

The primary concern for safety in this area is the flooded shafts which were open. Vegetation was so thick in the area that the shafts were obscured and posed a serious threat to safety.

2.19. CATARACT MINE AND TAILINGS

2.19.1 Site Location and Access

The Cataract mine is a large mine on private land for which there is no information in the existing literature. The tailing impoundment is in a small area between the main road and Catarac Creek and is easily accessible. A gravity mill apparently operated on the site as there were about 1000 tons of tailings in the Cataract Creek floodplain (T7N R5W 21DCCA) on private land and DNF administered land.

2.19.2 Site History - Geologic Features

At the mine, two caved shafts and three caved adits explored at least three due west trending veins that apparently lie in the eastern continuation of the Sirius shear zone. The veins contain the typical Boulder batholith assemblage of quartz, siderite, pyrite, and chalcopyrite, and the quartz monzonite wallrock is altered to quartz, sericite, and pyrite. A select sample of the vein ran 0.035 oz/ton Au, 8.86 oz/ton Ag, 0.150% Cu, 0.039% Pb, and 0.070% Zn, so unlike the Sirius on the same vein system, the Cataract was probably operated for its silver value.

A composite sample of the tailings assayed 0.053 oz/ton Au, 2.37 oz/ton Ag, 0.084% Cu, 0.51% Pb, and 0.150% Zn.

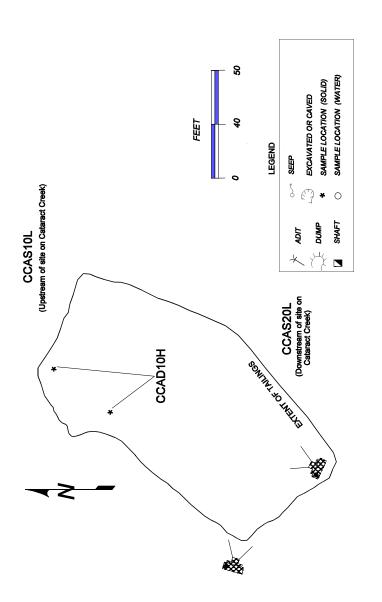
2.19.3 Environmental Condition

Since the mine and part of the tailings were on private land, sampling focused on the impact of the tailings on Cataract Creek and DNF administered land. The tailings covered a large area in the floodplain immediately adjacent to Cataract Creek. A portion of the stream bank was comprised of tailings and soil; tailings were also observed in the stream bottom downstream of the area.

2.19.3.1 Site Features - Sample Locations

The site was sampled on 722/92. Surface water samples were collected from Cataract Creek upstream (CCAS10L) and downstream (CCAS20L) below the tailings/soil wash area on DNF administered land. Cataract Creek was discharging 5140 gpm upstream and 4800 gpm downstream of the tailings site.

A composite soil sample (10-foot centers) was collected in the area where tailings and soils had mixed and had been washed into Cataract Creek (CCAD10H). Sample locations and site features are presented in Figure 15.





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Figure 15A. The vegetation cover on the Cataract Creek tailings ranges from sparse to none. Cataract Creek is to the left of the photograph.



Figure 15B. Tailings and soil have been washed into Cataract Creek. Cattle are common in the area and have trampled the stream banks.

2.19.3.2 Soil

Concentrations of arsenic, copper, lead, and zinc exceeded phytotoxic limits (Table 23). The soil samples were composited in an area where tailings and native soils had been mixed. The area where soil and tailings have been washed into Cataract Creek appeared to have a much higher fraction of tailings. The area had also been frequented by cattle that water at the stream.

Table 23 Soil Sampling Results Cataract Tailings (mg/kg)

Sample Location	As	Cd	Cu	Pb	Zn
Tailings-soils wash area (CCAD10H)	7835 ^{1,2}	8.9 ¹	309 ^{1,2}	5356 ^{1,2}	1937 ^{1,2}

(1) Exceeds one or more Clark Fork Superfund Background Levels (Table 3)

(2) Exceeds Phytotoxic levels (Table 3)

2.19.3.3 Water

The upstream sample only exceeded MCLs for cadmium (Table 24); cadmium was not detected in the downstream sample, nor did any constituent exceed MCLs. Both upstream and downstream samples had similar concentrations of cations and anions.

Table 24 Water Quality Exceedences Cataract Tailings

Sample Site	Al	As	Ba	Cd	Cr	Cu	Fe	Pb	Mn	Hg	Ni	Ag	Zn	Cl	F	NO ₃	SO_4	Si	pН
Cataract Creek - upstream of site (CCAS10L)				P,A C															
Cataract Creek - downstream of site (CCAS20L)																			

Exceedence codes:

P - Primary MCL

S - Secondary MCL

A - Aquatic Life Acute

C - Aquatic Life Chronic

Note: The analytical results are listed in Appendix V

2.19.3.4 Vegetation

The area of tailings and soil/tailings mix was almost devoid of vegetation; areas of "clean' tailings was barren. This was especially evident in a small area where tailings and soil had been washed into Cataract Creek.

2.19.3.5 Summary of Environmental Condition

The relative amount of contaminated soil and tailings compared to the volume of water flowing in Cataract Creek must have been small enough to negate the metals-loading. Under other conditions such as during snow melt and storm events, the impact to Cataract Creek from the tailings is likely to be much higher. Under extreme conditions when flooding might occur, large amounts of tailings could be washed into the stream.

2.19.4 Structures

No structures were observed on DNF administered land or in the general area of the tailings.

2.19.5 Safety

No safety concerns were identified in the tailings area on DNF administered land.

2.20. BOULDER CHIEF MINE

2.20.1 Site Location and Access

The Boulder Chief mine is easily accessible by a road that follows the nearby power line. The site is approximately 1 mile east of Cataract Creek near the head of an unnamed tributary. The entire site was on DNF administered land.

2.20.2 Site History - Geologic Features

The Boulder Chief mine and the Ida M mine (next section) are within 1000 feet of each other on the same shear zone. This shear zone trends N82W 79NE and appears to be continuous for at least 1500 feet. Workings consist of the main adit with one locked adit and one caved 350 foot shaft with four levels (unpublished information, MBMG files) and approximately 4000 feet c workings, and a large surface cut along the shear zone. The property is located at the contact between Elkhorn Mountain andesite and Boulder Batholith quartz monzonite. Most of the material on the dumps is quartz monzonite with quartz, sericite, and pyrite alteration products. Becraft and others (1963) and Roby and others (1960) provide some background information. Apparently lead, silver, and copper were the main commodities, with most production from 1913-1917. The remaining badly eroded gravity tailings from the Boulder Chief mill suggest one to two thousand tons of ore was mined. The vein contained the typical Boulder Batholith assemblage of quartz, pyrite, galena, sphalerite, and arsenopyrite. Weak radioactivity was measured on the east end of the vein by Becraft and others (1963), who estimated that it contained .01% uranium. Our own scintillometer measurements showed that the dump material was only slightly anomalous.

A composite sample of the estimated 7000 tons of dump material assayed 0.042 oz/ton Au, 1.52 oz/ton Ag, 0.025% Cu, 0.97% Pb, and 0.22% Zn. A composite sample of the 1000-2000 tons of tailings assayed 0.018 oz/ton Au, 4.34 oz/ton Ag, 0.055% Cu, 2.32% Pb, and 3.87% Zn.

2.20.3 Environmental Condition

The site consisted of large, open cuts and trenches, a caved adit, a waste-rock dump, and a dismantled mill. Tailings and dump material have been carried more than 700 feet down slope by gravity and runoff. Several springs were breaking out at the downhill end of the waste materia wash area.

2.20.3.1 Site Features - Sample Locations

The open pits and cuts at the top of the hill were generally dry, although there was evidence of ponding in several low areas. The impact to soil and vegetation appeared minimal outside the disturbed area. The main development area and mill area was dry except for the adit which was discharging about 0.1 gpm and infiltrating the waste-rock dump below. The site was sampled on 7/29/92. Surface water samples were collected from the adit discharge (CBCS10H) and from the confluence of several springs at the bottom of the tailings/waste rock wash area (CBCS20H).

A composite soil sample (CBCD10H) was collected in the seep area as well. This sample was collected at an interval of 1 to 1.5 feet below the surface in native soil. Site features and sample locations are shown in Figure 16.

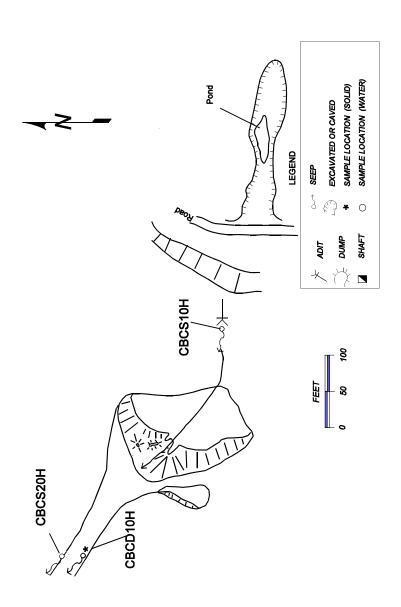


Figure 16 The adit discharge and the large tailings pile have significantly impacted vegetation down slope of the development area. In some areas, mass wasting may be possible as the hillside is quite steep.

2.20.3.2 Soil

Considering the lack of vegetation, the concentrations of metals in the soil samples was surprisingly low. Only arsenic exceeded the phytotoxic limits (Table 25). The slope of the hill was steep and recent, small-scale, movement of material down the hill was evident in several areas.

Table 25 Soil Sampling Results Boulder Chief Mine (mg/kg)

Sample Location	As	Cd	Cu	Pb	Zn
Tailings wash area (CBCD10H)	794 ^{1,2}	1.3 ¹	49.2 ¹	504 ¹	86.6

(1) Exceeds one or more Clark Fork Superfund Background Levels (Table 3)

(2) Exceeds Phytotoxic levels (Table 3)

2.20.3.3 Water

The concentrations of dissolved metals in the spring samples were quite different than what might be expected given the soil analysis. Several criteria were exceeded for several constituents (Table 26). It is apparent from the adit discharge sample that acid is being produced in the underground workings. Moreover, since the springs probably represent the ground water discharging from the site, the contamination plume could be quite extensive. There was no other surface water for at least 1000 feet downhill from the site.

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Table 26 Water Quality Exceedences Boulder Chief Mine

Sample Site	Al	As	Ba	Cd	Cr	Cu	Fe	Pb	Mn	Hg	Ni	Ag	Zn	Cl	F	NO ₃	SO_4	Si	pН
Adit discharge (CBCS10H)	S,A C			P,A C		S,A C	S,A	P,C	S			С	S,A C						S
Seeps at base of tailings wash area (CBCS20H)				Р		A,C		P,C					A,C						S

Exceedence codes:

P - Primary MCL

S - Secondary MCL

A - Aquatic Life Acute

C - Aquatic Life Chronic

Note: The analytical results are listed in Appendix V

2.20.3.4 Vegetation

The entire disturbed area was almost devoid of vegetation. The area below the adit and mill was particularly stressed; it was apparent from the condition of the trees that the impact of the tailings and waste material had progressed down the hill.

2.20.3.5 Summary of Environmental Condition

The disturbed area, the adit discharge stream, and the springs were well above any active streams. While there was strong evidence of a contaminated ground-water plume, its extent coulc not be determined.

The soils and tailings had migrated several hundred feet down slope and will likely continue to move.

2.20.4 Structures

There was a large ore bin and a dilapidated mill near the adit. No other structures were observed on the site.

2.20.5 Safety

The ore bin and dilapidated mill may pose a safety risk for visitors on the site. Unstable slopes in the uphill pit area and dead trees in the downhill area may also be a concern.

2.21 IDA M MINE

2.21.1 Site Location and Access

The Ida M mine (T7N R5W 27ACCC) is approximately 1000 feet downhill of the Boulde Chief mine a short distance from the power line road. The area between the adit and the wasterock dump is easily accessible by vehicle. The entire site is on DNF administered land.

2.21.2 Site History - Geologic Features

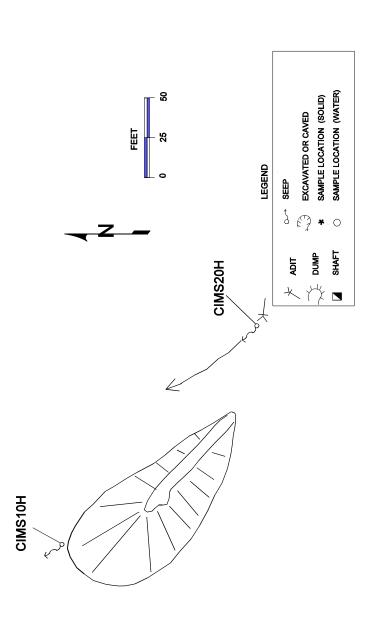
The Ida M mine is on the same shear zone as the Boulder Chief mine. The mine consists of a single adit with about 800 feet of workings. A more complete description of the geologic features is given in the previous section.

2.21.3 Environmental Condition

The site consisted of a single, blocked adit that was discharging water. The adit discharge infiltrated the nearby waste-rock dump; there were indications that the adit-flow extended well below the dump during wetter conditions. There were several small seeps emanating from the base of the dump to form a small wetlands area downhill. There were no obvious impacts to soil or vegetation outside the disturbed area or below the dump.

2.21.3.1 Site Features - Sample Locations

Surface water samples were collected on 7/29/92 from the adit discharge (CIMS20H) and from the seeps at the base of the waste-rock dump (CIMS10H) (Figure 17). The adit was discharging approximately 2 gpm and the seeps were discharging less than 0.1 gpm. The waste-rock dump had been re-worked, but was stable with coarse material (cobbles) at the base.





2.21.3.2 Soil

The base of the dumps were mainly cobbles and boulders; no erosion or movement of waste material was evident. No soil samples were collected.

2.21.3.3 Water

The adit discharge was only slightly acidic (pH = 5.43), but the seeps at the base of the dumps were very acidic (pH = 2.98). Both waters contained high concentrations of sulfate, aluminum, cadmium, lead, and zinc. These metals and several others exceeded drinking water an aquatic life MCLs (Table 27).

Table 27 Water Quality Exceedences Ida M Mine

Sample Site	Al	As	Ba	Cd	Cr	Cu	Fe	Pb	Mn	Hg	Ni	Ag	Zn	Cl	F	NO ₃	SO_4	Si	pН
Seeps at base of dump (CIMS10H)	S,A C			P,A C		A,C	S,A	P,A C	S				S,A C						S
Adit discharge (CIMS20H)	S,A C			P,A C		A,C	S	Р	S				S,A C						s

Exceedence codes:

P - Primary MCL

S - Secondary MCL

A - Aquatic Life Acute

C - Aquatic Life Chronic

Note: The analytical results are listed in Appendix V

2.21.3.4 Vegetation

Despite the low pH and the high concentrations of metals in the springs, the base of the dump and the wetlands area below the dump appeared to be well vegetated. On the dump however, vegetation was sparse to barren.

2.21.3.5 Summary of Environmental Condition

The Ida M mine is in a setting similar to the nearby Boulder Chief. The wetlands area below the Ida M was not extensive and the nearest active stream was about 1000 feet or more downhill. Despite the poor quality of the adit discharge and the springs at the base of the dump, the areas outside the development area show little impact.

2.21.4 Structures

No structures were observed on the site.

2.21.5 Safety

The caved adit had been blocked by waste material. Although there was no evidence to confirm it, there is a possibility of at least some hydraulic head behind the blockage and may pose a concern given the likelihood of failure. The waste-rock dump was steep and footing was poor in some areas; no other safety concerns were apparent on the site.

2.22 HATTIE FERGUSON MINE

2.22.1 Site Location and Access

There are two areas of past activity at the Hattie Ferguson mine: the lower Hattie Ferguson (T7N R5W 28BCDB) which is adjacent to the main Cataract Creek road and the upper Hattie Ferguson (T7N R5W 29ADAC) which is easily accessible by road up an unnamed tributary to Cataract Creek approximately 0.5 miles west and uphill. The lower Hattie Ferguson is on DNF administered land and the upper Hattie Ferguson is on both private and DNF administered land.

2.22.2 Site History - Geologic Features

Two areas of workings comprise the Hattie Ferguson, which is on the south end of the mineralized area centered at the Sirius. The mine was originally worked through a 140 foot shaft(Pardee and Schrader, 1933), an inclined shaft, and several short adits on the Upper Hattie Ferguson property. The workings explored a N75W steeply dipping vein of quartz, pyrite, galena, sphalerite, chalcopyrite, and abundant carbonate minerals (Becraft and others, 1963). A select vein sample from the upper Hattie Ferguson area was quite rich, assaying 0.392 oz/ton Au, 15.32 oz/ton Ag, 0.20% Cu, 7.15% Pb, 1.60% Zn.

An 1800 foot crosscut (unpublished maps, MBMG files; Becraft and others, 1963) was later driven to the vein from Cataract Creek (the lower Hattie Ferguson). Vein material on the dump indicates that the crosscut reached the vein and drifted along it. Roby and others (1960) credited the Hattie Ferguson with producing 1516 ton of ore from which 313 oz Au, 27,982 oz Ag, 38,333 lbs Cu, 311,717 lbs Pb, and 33,802 lbs zinc were recovered. About half of the lower Hattie Ferguson dump material has been removed possibly for road construction; 2000 tons composed mainly of unaltered quartz monzonite remain. A composite sample of a few hundred tons of wallrock with quartz, pyrite, and sericite alteration products assayed 0.042 oz/ton Au, 1.52 oz/ton Ag, and less than 1% base metals. Radiation on the dump is 2 to 3 times background.

2.22.3 Environmental Condition

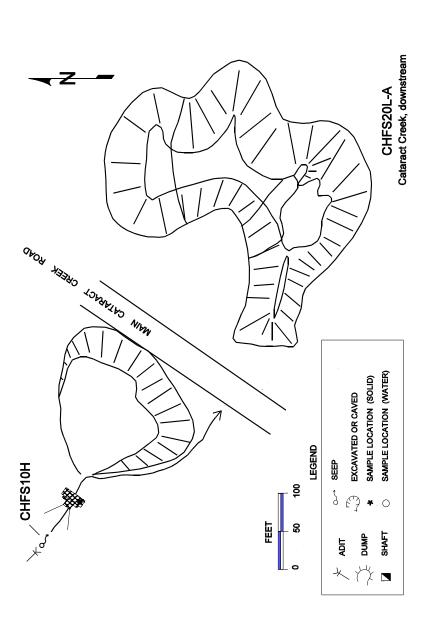
The lower Hattie Ferguson consisted of a caved adit from which a small discharge emanated and an associated waste-rock dump. Field parameters indicated a near-neutral pH and a high SC, but ferric-hydroxide was abundant. The discharge did not reach Cataract Creek and no evidence was found to indicate any ground-water discharge areas. The main waste-rock dump was on and below the main Cataract Creek road. Impact to soil was not evident; the base of the dump had been covered by 6 to 18-inches of soil and plant material.

The main development area of the upper Hattie Ferguson was caved and on private land (not mapped). East of the main development area there were four caved adits and a caved shaft; two of the four caved adits were discharging water to a small stream running through the site. Small seeps were emanating from the base of a waste-rock dump and also discharging into the stream.

2.22.3.1 Site Features - Sample Locations

At the lower Hattie Ferguson mine (Figure 18), a surface water sample was collected of the adit discharge (CHFS10H) which was flowing at less than 1 gpm. A sample was also collected from Cataract Creek below the adit (CHFS20L-A). No soil samples were warranted. The samples were collected on 7/23/92.

At the upper Hattie Ferguson mine (Figure 19), samples were collected from each of the two adit discharges (CHFS20M and CHFS40M) which flowed at about 0.5 gpm and 3 gpm, respectively. Additional samples were collected from a point upstream of the disturbed area (CHFS30L), from a point downstream of the upper discharging adit (CHFS60M), from a point just upstream of the DNF administered /private land boundary (CHFS50M), and downstream of the entire disturbed area on DNF administered land (CHFS70L). From upstream to downstream, the stream discharge at the sample points was 8 gpm, 8 gpm, 12 gpm, and 50 gpm.



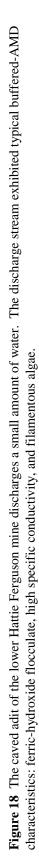
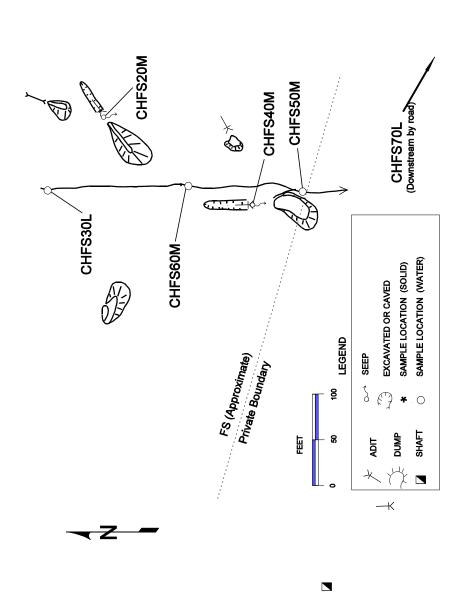




Figure 18A. The collapsed adit of the lower Hattie Ferguson mine was discharging a small amount of water. The discharge did not extend across the road.

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2.22.3.2 Soil

There was no indication of impact to soils or vegetation outside the disturbed areas at either site; no soil samples were collected.

2.22.3.3 Water

The elevated concentrations of iron and manganese in the adit discharge of the lower Hattie Ferguson, which exceeded secondary drinking water standards (Table 28), are what might be expected for an acidic discharge that has been buffered. The concentration of arsenic, although present, was quite low and may have co-precipitated with the ferric-hydroxide. The sample collected on Cataract Creek below the adit exceeded aquatic life (chronic) criteria with respect to copper (Table 28). Without more detailed sampling, it is not certain whether the presence of copper can be related to the lower Hattie Ferguson or some other mine upstream.

There appeared to be little water-quality degradation of the stream flowing through the upper Hattie Ferguson (Table 28). Although the adit discharges generally contained slightly higher concentrations of dissolved metals, the overall impact was relatively small.

Table 28Water Quality ExceedencesLower Hattie Ferguson Mine

Sample Site	Al	As	Ва	Cd	Cr	Cu	Fe	Pb	Mn	Hg	Ni	Ag	Zn	Cl	F	NO ₃	SO_4	Si	pН
Adit discharge - Lower Hattie F. (CHFS10H)							S		S										
CHFS20L-A - Cataract Creek below adit						С													
Unnamed stream above site- Upper Hattie F. (CHFS30L)				C					S				A,C						
Upper adit discharge - Upper Hattie F. (CHFS20M)				C									A,C						
Unnamed stream - below upper adit (CHFS60M)				С									A,C						
Lower adit discharge - Upper Hattie F. (CHFS40M)													A,C						
Unnamed stream - below lower adit (CHFS50M)				С									A,C						
Unnamed stream - below Upper Hattie F. site (CHFS70L)				С					S				A,C						

Exceedence codes:

P - Primary MCL

S - Secondary MCL

A - Aquatic Life Acute

C - Aquatic Life Chronic

Note: The analytical results are listed in Appendix V

2.22.3.4 Vegetation

Most of the waste-rock dumps on DNF administered land were well vegetated. There was no indication of stressed vegetation near the dumps, the adit discharges, or the stream.

2.22.3.5 Summary of Environmental Condition

The impact of the adit and waste-rock dump of the lower Hattie Ferguson mine was local and small-scale. However, the site is on the main Cataract Creek road and is easily accessible.

The upper Hattie Ferguson mine is farther off the main road, but is still easily accessible. The adit discharges appeared to have little impact on the quality of the stream that flowed through the area. Dumps were generally stable and well vegetated; very little sedimentation from the dumps was evident in the stream.

2.22.4 Structures

There were no structures on the lower Hattie Ferguson mine site. There were no significant structures on DNF administered land at the upper Hattie Ferguson mine site; however, there were what appeared to be parts of building foundations above the uppermost adit.

2.22.5 Safety

There were no apparent safety concerns on DNF administered land at the upper or lower Hattie Ferguson mine sites.

2.23. SIRIUS MINE

2.23.1 Site Location and Access

The Sirius mine (T7N R5W 29AAAA) is accessed by road from the main Cataract Creek road. It is approximately 2000 feet north of the upper Hattie Ferguson (Section 2.22 of this report) in the same tributary drainage to Cataract Creek. The entire site is on DNF administered land.

2.23.2 Site History - Geologic Features

The Sirius lies near the center of an area of closely spaced veins and relatively pervasive wallrock alteration on a fraction of DNF administered land almost surrounded by patented claims. The Sirius itself drifts along a NE-trending, steeply NW dipping quartz-pyrite-galena-chalcopyrite vein with an ore shoot 175 feet long and 6 inches to 3 feet wide (Roby and others, 1960). Total production since the mine began working in 1906 has been 446 tons from which 287 oz Au, 5197 oz Ag, 1561 lbs Cu, 73017 lbs Pb, and 2667 lbs Zn were recovered. Gold values were quite high for a Boulder Batholith vein.

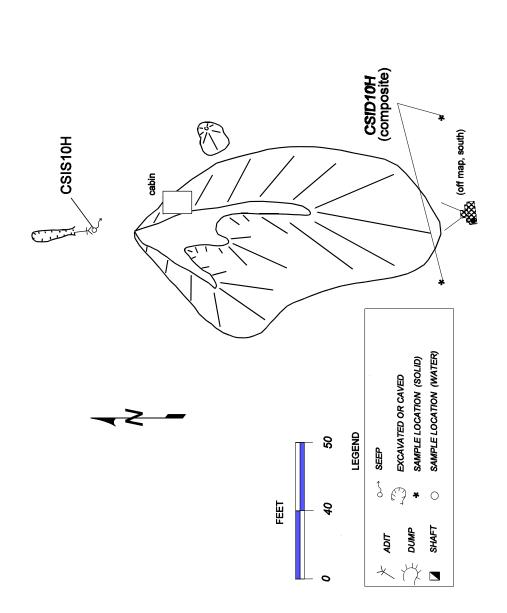
The dump is composed of 5000 tons of altered quartz monzonite. A composite sample assayed 0.040 oz/ton Au, 0.98 oz/ton Ag, 0.029% Cu, 0.91% Pb, and 0.57% Zn.

2.23.3 Environmental Condition

A caved adit discharged a small amount of water; field parameters indicated that the discharge was acidic and contained a relatively high amount of dissolved solids. Although the discharge stream infiltrated the ground in a short distance (<10 feet), ferric-hydroxide stains were evident several hundred feet farther down the drainage. The main waste-rock dump contained a significant amount of sulfides and damage to soils is evident in a large area down slope. Several areas below the dump as well as the dump itself were devoid of vegetation.

2.23.3.1 Site Features - Sample Locations

A sample was collected of the adit discharge (CSIS10H) which was flowing at a rate of about 1.5 gpm. No other surface water was found on or near the site. A composite (10-foot centers) soil sample (CSID10H) was collected near the base of the waste-rock dump. Site features and sample locations are shown in Figure 20. Samples were collected on 7/23/92.





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Figure 20A. Material from the waste rock of the Sirius mine has been eroded and mixed with native material for several hundred feet down slope. Some areas were devoid of vegetation.

2.23.3.2 Soil

The soil at the base of the waste-rock dump contained high levels of arsenic, copper, lead and zinc (Table 29). The concentrations of all four of these constituents exceeded phytotoxic limits. The area of soil affected by erosion of the dump was several hundred square feet and extended several hundred feet from the disturbed area.

Table 29 Soil Sampling Results Sirius Mine (mg/kg)

Sample Location	As	Cd	Cu	Pb	Zn
Soils at base of waste dump(CSID10H)	7835 ^{1,2}	8.9 ¹	309 ^{1,2}	5356 ^{1,2}	1937 ^{1,2}

(1) Exceeds one or more Clark Fork Superfund Background Levels (Table 3)

(2) Exceeds Phytotoxic levels (Table 3)

2.23.3.3 Water

The adit discharge was acidic (pH=4.44) and had high concentrations of several dissolved metals. Primary and secondary drinking water criteria were exceeded for aluminum, cadmium, and manganese (Table 30).

Table 30 Water Quality Exceedences Sirius Mine

Sample Site	Al	As	Ba	Cd	Cr	Cu	Fe	Pb	Mn	Hg	Ni	Ag	Zn	Cl	F	NO ₃	SO_4	Si	pН
Adit discharge (CSIS10H)	S,C			P,A C		A,C		С	S				A,C						S

Exceedence codes:

P - Primary MCL

S - Secondary MCL

A - Aquatic Life Acute

C - Aquatic Life Chronic

Note: The analytical results are listed in Appendix V

2.23.3.4 Vegetation

The waste-rock dump and the area immediately down-slope of the waste-rock dump were devoid of vegetation. Vegetation was still stressed for several hundred feet farther down the slope.

2.23.3.5 Summary of Environmental Condition

The waste material from the site has had a strong impact on soils and vegetation for several hundred feet below the disturbed area. The adit discharge contained high concentrations of several dissolved metals. Although the discharge was small at the time of sampling, it was evident that it can be much greater during wetter periods.

2.23.4 Structures

There was a small dilapidated cabin on top of the waste-rock dump near the caved adit. No other structures were observed on this site.

2.23.5 Safety

The poor condition of the cabin along with the good access may prove to be a safety concern. The high metals content of the soil below the workings may also be of concern. Since the area is large and vegetation sparse, there is a good potential for airborne transport of contaminated material.

2.24. CRACKER MINE

2.24.1 Site Location and Access

The Cracker mine (T7N R5W 28CDDC) is about 2000 feet off the main Cataract Creek road and about 600 feet east of Cataract Creek. Access to the site is easily gained by a road that follows a nearby power line. The entire site is on DNF administered land.

2.24.2 Site History - Geologic Features

Shears above the single portal of the Cracker mine have a N84E 70SE attitude and probably parallel the vein. Roby and others (1960) described the vein as containing quartz, galena, pyrite, chalcopyrite, and manganese oxides, with 1600 feet of total workings present. The dump consisted of 4000 tons of quartz monzonite with quartz, sericite, and pyrite alteration products, and has fairly high metal values. A composite sample assayed 0.014 oz/ton Au, 1.72 oz/ton Ag, 0.85% Pb, and only a small amount of Cu and Zn.

2.24.3 Environmental Condition

A locked adit discharging water on DNF administered land was the main feature of the Cracker. Material from the waste-rock dump below the adit had washed onto the soil down slope and appeared to have impacted the vegetation.

2.24.3.1 Site Features - Sample Locations

The site was sampled on 7/16/92. A surface-water sample was collected from the adit (CCRS10H) which was discharging about 12 gpm (Figure 21). The nearest active stream is Cataract Creek which is about 800 feet downhill.

A composite sample (5-foot centers) was collected of the soil near the base of the wasterock dump (CCRD10H). This is an area where waste material had been washed down from the dump (Figure 21).

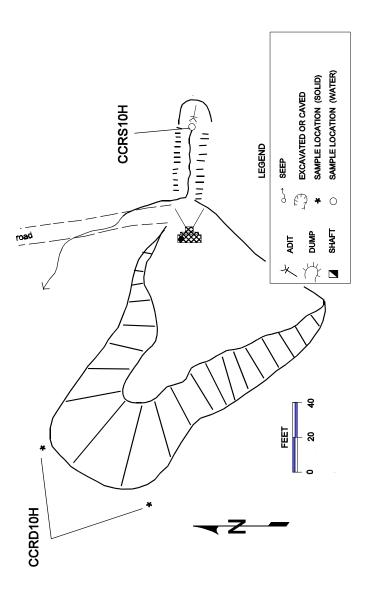






Figure 21A. The adit of the Cracker mine was open, but secure. A small discharge issued from the adit and flowed toward Cataract Creek. Ferric-hydroxide precipitate was evident along its entire length.

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2.24.3.2 Soil

The concentrations of arsenic and lead were very high in the soils below the waste-rock dump (Table 31). With the exception of cadmium, all of the metals for which analysis was performed exceeded the phytotoxic limit. The phytotoxicity was apparent in the lack of vegetation near the dump and stressed vegetation for several hundred feet down slope.

Table 31 Soil Sampling Results Cracker Mine (mg/kg)

Sample Location	As	Cd	Cu	Pb	Zn
Base of waste dump (CCRD10H)	7835 ^{1,2}	8.9 ¹	309 ^{1,2}	5356 ^{1,2}	1937 ^{1,2}

(1) Exceeds one or more Clark Fork Superfund Background Levels (Table 3)

(2) Exceeds Phytotoxic levels (Table 3)

2.24.3.3 Water

The adit discharge exceeded MCLs for manganese and zinc (Table 32); many of the constituents for which analyses were performed were at or below the detection limit. The pH was near neutral (7.39) and the sulfate concentration was low (74.8 mg/L).

Table 32 Water Quality Exceedences Cracker Mine

Sample Site	Al	As	Ba	Cd	Cr	Cu	Fe	Pb	Mn	Hg	Ni	Ag	Zn	Cl	F	NO ₃	SO_4	Si	pН
Adit discharge (CCRS10H)									S				A,C						

Exceedence codes:

P - Primary MCL

S - Secondary MCL

A - Aquatic Life Acute

C - Aquatic Life Chronic

Note: The analytical results are listed in Appendix V

2.24.3.4 Vegetation

The Cracker mine is in an area that is sparsely vegetated; however, the vegetation near the base of the waste-rock dump was markedly reduced. Farther down the hill, vegetation was more abundant but still showed signs of stress.

2.24.3.5 Summary of Environmental Condition

The waste material from the dump has been responsible for most of the impact at this site. The dump material has been eroded and has mixed with soil over an area of a few hundred square feet.

The adit discharge, although containing relatively low concentrations of dissolved metals, was large (about 12 gpm) compared to other sites in the Cataract Creek drainage. This "large" discharge translates to a significant metals-loading on Cataract Creek.

2.24.4 Structures

No structures were found on the Cracker mine site.

2.24.5 Safety

No safety concerns were identified for this site; the waste-rock dump was small and slopes appeared stable. The adit was open but secure from entry.

2.25. MOUNTAIN CHIEF MINE

2.25.1 Site Location and Access

The Mountain Chief mine (T7N R5W 33DAAB) is about one mile east of the main Cataract Creek road, adjacent to the east-west section of the power line. The road following the power line actually cuts across a portion of the adit. The adit and most of the waste-rock dump down-slope of the adit are on private land; the base of the dump and the area below are on DNF administered land.

2.25.2 Site History - Geologic Features

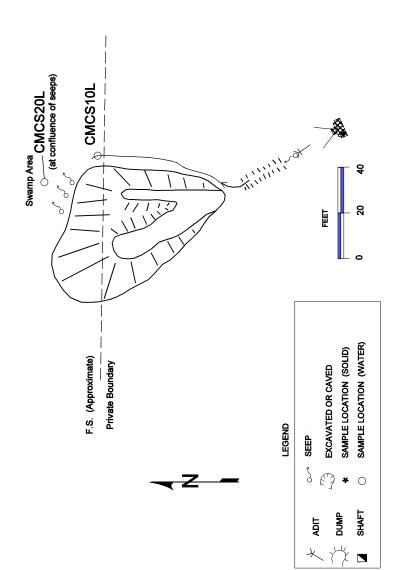
The single adit on the Mountain Chief has a southeasterly orientation and is probably only a few hundred feet in length. There is an associated 500 ton dump of quartz monzonite with quartz, sericite, and pyrite alteration products on DNF administered land. Metal values in the dump were very low.

2.25.3 Environmental Condition

The adit and shaft on private land were both caved. The adit discharged water across the dump; the discharge stream infiltrated the ground within 20 feet. Several seeps were breaking at the base of the waste-rock dump on DNF administered land and formed a small wetlands area. There was no indication of soil contamination below the dump.

2.25.3.1 Site Features - Sample Locations

The adit discharge was precipitating ferric-hydroxide near the mouth and along its path. The dump material appeared stable and contained only small amounts of sulfides. Two water-samples were collected on 7/22/92 from the seeps at the base of the dump: one was collected below the area where the adit discharge infiltrated the ground (CMCS10L) and the second was collected on the other side of the dump (CMCS20L) (Figure 22). Both seeps were discharging less than 0.5 gpm. No soil samples were warranted.





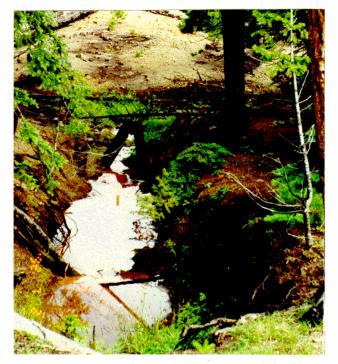


Figure 22A. The collapsed adit and part of the waste-rock dump of the Mountain Chief mine are on private ground. The lower part of the dump and the area downhill are on DNF administered land.

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The dump material was generally coarse-grained and stable. There was little evidence of erosion or movement of the material. No waste material was observed in the area below the dump.

2.25.3.3 Water

With the exception of manganese and zinc, the water at the base of the dump had higher concentrations of dissolved metals than the water below the adit. Both waters exceeded MCLs for cadmium (aquatic life - chronic) and for manganese (drinking water - secondary) (Table 33).

Table 33 Water Quality Exceedences Mountain Chief Mine

Sample Site	Al	As	Ba	Cd	Cr	Cu	Fe	Pb	Mn	Hg	Ni	Ag	Zn	Cl	F	NO ₃	SO_4	Si	pН
Seep at base of dump (CMCS10L)				С					S				A,C						
Second seep at base of dump (CMCS20L)	S,C			С					S										

Exceedence codes:

P - Primary MCL

S - Secondary MCL

A - Aquatic Life Acute

C - Aquatic Life Chronic

Note: The analytical results are listed in Appendix V

2.25.3.4 Vegetation

Vegetation on the waste-rock dump was sparse, but the area near the caved adit was well vegetated. On DNF administered land below the dump, there was no indication of stressed vegetation.

2.25.3.5 Summary of Environmental Condition

The waste-rock dump appeared to be stable and there was no indication of erosion or other movement of material onto native soils. The discharge of water from the disturbed area to

DNF administered land was restricted to small seeps. The quality of this water was somewhat poor, but the the apparent impact was small.

2.25.4 Structures

No structures were observed on DNF administered land.

2.25.5 Safety

The only safety concern on DNF administered land may be the loose footing on the steep waste-rock dump.

2.26. VERA & MARIE MINE

2.26.1 Site Location and Access

The Vera and Marie mine (T7N R5W 33BBDB) is adjacent to Cataract Creek. Preliminary indications were that the site was on DNF administered land; however, markers at the site indicated that at least the main disturbed area of the mine was patented property. Thus, the field evaluation was restricted to the lowest areas, away from the main workings.

2.26.2 Site History - Geologic Features

Two open shafts, two caved adits, and several trenches mark the Vera and Marie, which explores an east-west quartz-sphalerite-pyrite vein for 350 feet along strike. The main adit dump contains about 1500 tons of altered, pyrite-bearing quartz monzonite with low metal values (see map). A select sample of vein from the ore bin had assayed 0.040 oz/ton Au and 12.90 oz/ton Ag. Total length of all workings is probably less than 1000 feet.

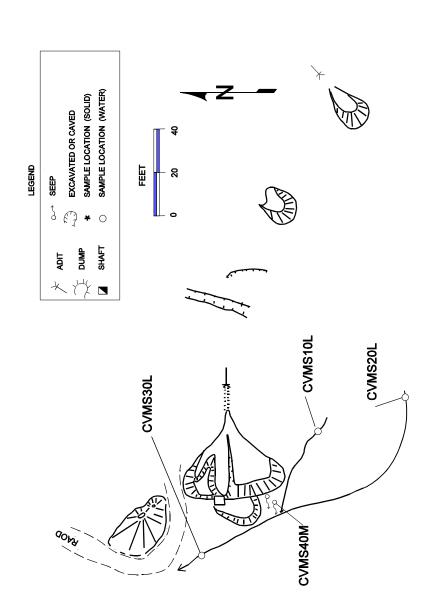
2.26.3 Environmental Condition

Several small springs were found near the boundary of the main development area and up the drainage from the main development area. Several small waste-rock dumps associated with the shafts and adit were found above the main portion of the site but all were dry. Soils did not appear to be impacted by any of the waste-rock dumps.

An upstream sample location was difficult to establish. The main spring flowing past the site came from 4 to 5 small springs that were breaking at various points along the hillside above the mine site. At least one of the streams had been diverted but the discharge of the trench was still within the same drainage. Field parameters were used to establish the upstream sample site.

2.26.3.1 Site Features - Sample Locations

The site was sampled on 7/20/92. Surface water samples were collected well above the site (CVMS20L), upstream of the main development area near the site (CVMS10L), at the seeps that were at the base of the waste-rock dump of the lower adit (CVMS40M), and from the stream below the site above its confluence with Cataract Creek (CVMS30L). At the time of the visit, the stream well above the site was discharging about 36 gpm, the stream near the site was discharging about 1gpm, and the seeps at the base of the dump were discharging about 1.5 gpm. All of these waters combined to form a stream that flowed into Cataract Creek; the discharge of the stream at that point was approximately 38 gpm. Since the investigation did not include the disturbed area, no soil samples were collected. Sample locations and site features are presented in Figure 23.





2.26.3.2 Soil

The waste-rock dumps on the south end of the development area near the streams were comprised mainly of coarse-grained material. No erosion or other movement of material was evident. The small road on the northwest corner of the development area actually cut the base of the dump, but the dump still appeared to be stable.

2.26.3.3 Water

The only water sampled that exceeded any MCLs was that collected at the base of the waste-rock dump (Table 34). This water was slightly acidic (pH = 6.51) compared to waters elsewhere on the site. The concentrations of dissolved constituents in the downstream sample were very similar to those of the upstream samples.

Sample Site	Al	As	Ba	Cd	Cr	Cu	Fe	Pb	Mn	Hg	Ni	Ag	Zn	Cl	F	NO ₃	SO_4	Si	pН
Unnamed stream - upstream of site (CVMS20L)																			
Unnamed stream - above main development area (CVMS10L)																			
Seeps at base of dump below main adit (CVMS40M)	S						S,A		S										
Unnamed stream - above confluence with Cataract Creek (CVMS30L)																			

Table 34 Water Quality Exceedences Vera & Marie Mine

Exceedence codes:

P - Primary MCL

S - Secondary MCL

A - Aquatic Life Acute

C - Aquatic Life Chronic

Note: The analytical results are listed in Appendix V

2.26.3.4 Vegetation

The vegetation at the base of the waste-rock dumps was well established and showed no signs of stress. All of the streams and springs throughout the area were well vegetated. The vegetation on the dumps, most of which are on private land, ranged from sparse to well vegetated. A few small areas (<10 ft²) were barren.

2.26.3.5 Summary of Environmental Condition

The waste-rock dumps appeared stable and did not appear to have any impact on soils in the surrounding areas. The seeps at the base of the southern dump was contributing dissolved metals to the streams, but their effect was nil by the time the stream reached Cataract Creek. This contribution may increase during wetter periods; however, the overall impact would probably be small.

2.26.4 Structures

There were several small buildings and ore bins throughout the area. All were in poor repair. Since it was assumed that the site was on private ground, a detailed assessment was not made.

2.26.5 Safety

Several of the structures appeared to be in danger of collapse; the waste-rock dumps associated with the main development area were steep and footing was poor.

2.27. MORNING MARIE MINE

2.27.1 Site Location and Access

The Morning Marie mine is approximately 600 feet downstream from the Vera and Marie mine, on Cataract Creek. The site is easily accessible from the main Cataract Creek road. The mine is entirely on DNF administered land.

2.27.2 Site History - Geologic Features

A short adit and shaft apparently mined a new vein. The dump is composed almost entirely of unaltered quartz monzonite with very low metal values.

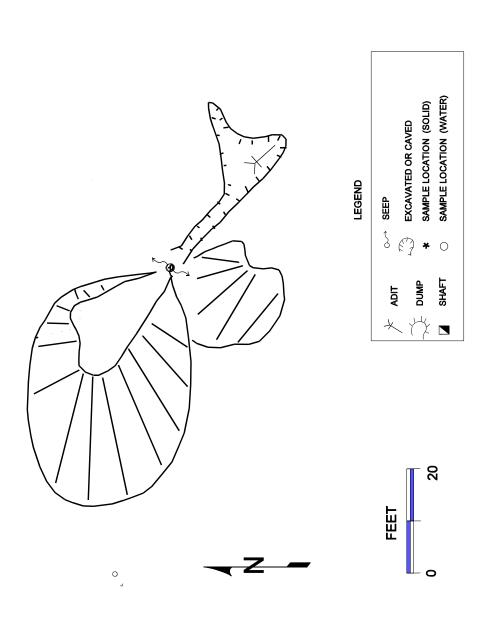
2.27.3 Environmental Condition

The Morning Marie mine site consisted of a caved adit that discharged water and a caved shaft with no discharge. There were two waste-rock dumps associated with the adit and shaft.

2.27.3.1 Site Features - Sample Locations

The adit was discharging a small amount of water (less than 0.5 gpm) toward Cataract Creek at the time of the geologist's visit (Figure 24). A few days later, when the hydrogeologist visited the site, there was no discharge. The site was checked periodically over the following weeks, but no discharge was ever found.

There was no indication of soil contamination from either waste-rock dump or the adit discharge; no soil samples were collected.





2.27.3.2 Soil

The waste-rock dump, comprised mainly of coarse-grained, unmineralized wall-rock, showed little weathering and no erosion. The soils at the base of the dump showed no indication of sedimentation or other impacts.

2.27.3.3 Water

As noted, the adit evidently discharges only during spring runoff or extended wet periods. There was no ferric-hydroxide or other visual evidence of poor quality water in the area of the discharge.

2.27.3.4 Vegetation

Vegetation appeared healthy throughout the development area; some vegetation was established on the crown of the dumps.

2.27.3.5 Summary of Environmental Condition

The waste material on the site is composed mainly of unaltered, unmineralized wall-rock. Although there was an adit discharge, it is evidently sporadic and small.

2.27.4 Structures

There were several cabins in generally poor repair on the Morning Marie mine site.

2.27.5 Safety

The poor condition of the cabins and the easy access to the site may pose a safety concern. The depression caused by the caved shaft was shallow and the waste-rock dumps were generally stable.

2.28. CRYSTAL MINE AND UNCLE SAM MINE - UNCLE SAM GULCH

2.28.1 Site Location and Access

The Crystal mine is a large, complex mine on private land. Its environmental effects have been the subject of several studies. Therefore it was not studied as a part of this project, but a summary of the property is provided because it is one of the major contributors to degradation of the Cataract Creek watershed. The Uncle Sam mine (T7N R5W 29DCDB) is on DNF administered land in Uncle Sam Gulch about 1.75 miles downstream of the Crystal mine. The Uncle Sam mine is about 0.75 miles from the main road in Cataract Creek and is easily accessible by road.

2.28.2 Site History - Geologic Features

The geology of the Crystal mine is well described in other references (Roby and others, 1960; Ruppel, 1963; unpublished information, MBMG files). The mine produced from underground workings and open pits from 1908 until at least the 1960s. Total production has been 22,586 tons with 3579 oz Au, 343,591 oz Ag, 536,915 lbs Cu, 2,060,623 lbs Pb, and 939,190 lbs Zn recovered (Roby and others, 1960). Two adits with 6000 feet of workings over a vertical range of 200-300 feet mined a N70-80W 70NE vein in sericitized aplite. The ore shoots were discontinuous lenses 2-30 feet wide of quartz, pyrite, arsenopyrite, galena, chalcopyrite, tetrahedrite, covellite, and chalcocite. Though no vertical zoning is evident, some zoning across the width of the shear zone was noted (Ruppel, 1963). Ore in the footwall shoots contained over 1 oz/ton Au, while in the central and hanging wall shoots gold content was negligible and silver values were higher.

The Uncle Sam mine occupies an area of several closely spaced N78-80W north dipping (Ruppel, 1963) shear zones hosting veins with fairly pervasive wallrock alteration characterized mainly by kaolinite and siderite alteration products. Similar mineralogy suggests that this may be the western extension of the Morning Glory zone. Host rock is aplite at the contact between the quartz monzonite and Elkhorn Mountains andesite (Knopf, 1913). Production has been more than 12,000 tons from 2000-3000 feet of workings (Roby and others, 1960). Production of 259 tons on the property yielding 5 oz Au, 4764 oz Ag, 76 lbs Cu, 26,869 lbs Pb, and 35,854 lbs zinc (Knopf, 1913) indicates the mine was valued principally for its silver, but our own select vein sample had considerable gold. Values from this quartz-pyrite-galena-sphalerite vein were .456 oz/ton Au, 15.82 oz/ton Ag, 0.144% Cu, 3.10% Pb, and 1.60% Zn. Anomalous radioactivity, two to four times background, is also present on the dumps, especially in the vein material and wall rock with quartz, pyrite, and sericite alteration products. There has been some recent exploration activity at this site, but results have not been released.

2.28.3 Environmental Condition

There is at least one adit discharge from the Crystal mine. The quality of the water in Uncle Sam Gulch was strongly degraded its entire length below the mine. Ferric hydroxide staining of boulders and sediments was visible in the gulch and in Cataract Creek.

No surface water was found associated with any of the workings or dumps of the Uncle Sam mine. Most of the disturbed area was covered by vegetation. Water that appeared to issue from the lower adit actually originated in a natural spring above the adit.

2.28.3.1 Site Features - Sample Locations

In addition to an investigation of the impact to Uncle Sam Gulch by the Uncle Sam mine, the site investigation also focused on impact to the drainage from the Crystal mine. Surface water samples were collected from the spring above the Uncle Sam mine (CUSS10L), on Uncle Sam Gulch downstream of its confluence with the Crystal mine adit discharge (CUSS20L), on Uncle Sam Gulch above its confluence with Cataract Creek (CUSS30L), and on Cataract Creek above (CUSS40L) and below (CUSS50L) its confluence with Uncle Sam Gulch. All samples were collected on 7/28/92. The spring above the disturbed area discharged approximately 2 gpm. Uncle Sam Gulch discharged about 112 gpm just below the Crystal mine and about 476 gpm just above its confluence with Cataract Creek. Cataract Creek was discharging approximately 2690 gpm above its confluence with Uncle Sam Gulch and approximately 3200 gpm just below its confluence with Uncle Sam Gulch.

There was no evidence of soil contamination near the waste material on the Uncle Sam mine site; no soil samples were collected.

2.28.3.2 Soil

The impact to soils was restricted to the disturbed area. Although the dump contained fine-grained material, erosion was minimal.

2.28.3.3 Water

The spring above the Uncle Sam mine was of good quality; no MCLs were exceeded for any of the dissolved constituents for which analyses were conducted.

The impact of the Crystal mine discharge was quite evident along the entire length of Uncle Sam Gulch. Although water quality improved somewhat downstream of the mine, the MCLs for several constituents were exceeded (Table 35). Likewise, a comparison of the water quality of Cataract Creek upstream of its confluence with Uncle Sam Gulch to downstream of the confluence indicates a large amount of metals-loading.

Table 35Water Quality ExceedencesCrystal Mine and Uncle Sam Mine - Uncle Sam Gulch

Sample Site	Al	As	Ва	Cd	Cr	Cu	Fe	Pb	Mn	Hg	Ni	Ag	Zn	Cl	F	NO ₃	SO_4	Si	pН
Spring above Uncle Sam mine (CUSS10L)																			
Uncle Sam Gulch below the Crystal mine (CUSS20L)	S,A C			P,A C		S,A C	S,A	P,A C	S				S,A C						S
Uncle Sam Gulch above confluence with Cataract Creek (CUSS30L)				P,A C		A,C			S				A,C						
Cataract Creek above confluence with Uncle Sam Gulch (CUSS40L)													A,C						
Cataract Creek below confluence with Uncle Sam Gulch (CUSS50L)	S,C			P,A C		A,C			S				A,C						

Exceedence codes:

P - Primary MCL

S - Secondary MCL

A - Aquatic Life Acute

C - Aquatic Life Chronic

Note: The analytical results are listed in Appendix V

2.28.3.4 Vegetation

Vegetation at the Uncle Sam mine has been impacted by the Crystal mine discharge far more than from the Uncle Sam mine. The vegetation adjacent to Uncle Sam Gulch was obviously stressed as far downstream as its confluence with Cataract Creek.

2.28.3.5 Summary of Environmental Condition

The Uncle Sam mine contributes little, if any, of the metals loading to Uncle Sam Gulch o Cataract Creek. It was strongly apparent that the Crystal mine discharge dominates the metals-loading in this drainage.

2.28.4 Structures

Only remnants of structures were visible on the Uncle Sam mine site. No structures were easily identifiable. Some general debris, mainly building material, was observed.

2.28.5 Safety

The piles of old building material may pose some hazard on this site.

2.29. MORNING GLORY TAILINGS

2.29.1 Site Location and Access

The Morning Glory tailings (T7N R5W 32ADDC), on DNF administered land, were produced by a mill at the Morning Glory mine (T7N R5W 33BCCB) which is on private land approximately 200 feet upstream on Cataract Creek. The tailings pile is accessible by crossing Cataract Creek from the main road.

2.29.2 Site History - Geologic Features

The Morning Glory mine is near the western end of the highly productive Comet-Gray Eagle shear zone. Although alteration products are primary kaolinite and siderite rather than quartz, sericite, and pyrite, suggesting a low grade vein (Pinckney, 1965), the Morning Glory was quite productive. From 1920-1957 the mine produced 19,231 tons of ore yielding 2484 oz Au, 268,054 oz Ag, 4138 lbs Cu, 83,140 lbs Pb, and 7793 lbs Zn. Four parallel N62W 80-84NE veins with ore shoots up to 100 feet long and 5 feet wide occupy an east-west shear zone (Roby and others, 1960; Becraft and others, 1963). The veins contain quartz, chalcedony, galena, sphalerite, siderite, and calcite. The abundant carbonates were associated with low metal values, while the ore was composed of plentiful galena and sphalerite (Becraft and others, 1963). The large mine-dumps representing thousands of feet of workings were outwardly composed of unaltered quartz monzonite and quartz monzonite with kaolinite and siderite alteration products.

During the 1930's (Roby and others, 1960), a flotation mill operated at the site. Today there are approximately 6000 tons of tailings on the banks of Cataract Creek. A composite sample assayed 1.64 oz/ton Ag and low base metal values. Radiation was also slightly anomalous.

Since the mine site is private land, no map was constructed. The limit of the tailings pile was too indistinct to map.

2.29.3 Environmental Condition

Although they impinged on Cataract Creek the dumps did not appear to contribute to the degradation of the creek; the mineralogy of the waste material suggests little potential for metals to be leached. The mill tailings were completely overgrown by vegetation and there was little evidence of erosion.

2.29.3.1 Site Features - Sample Locations

Surface-water samples were collected upstream on Cataract Creek for the Uncle Sam - Crystal mine investigation (see previous section for results). Additional samples were collected downstream, below the Phantom mine (see next section for results).

2.29.3.2 Vegetation

There was no apparent stress to the vegetation in the mill tailings nor along Cataract Creek that may have been related to the tailings.

2.29.3.3 Summary of Environmental Condition

Erosion and deposition of tailings and waste-rock material present the greatest potential for impact to Cataract Creek; both have been eroded to a least some degree by the stream. The rate of erosion is small, however; no significant sediment was observed in the stream bottom.

2.29.4 Structures

Remnants of tailings dams and sluice boxes were found, but no other structures were observed in this area.

2.29.5 Safety

No safety concerns were identified for this site.

2.30. PHANTOM MINE

2.30.1 Site Location and Access

The Phantom mine (T7N R5W 32DACC) is on Cataract Creek about 1500 feet downstream of the Morning Glory tailings. The site is accessible from the main road by crossing Cataract Creek. The entire site is on DNF administered land.

2.30.2 Site History - Geologic Features

The Phantom is a short caved adit collared in unaltered quartz monzonite and has mostly unaltered rock on a dump that has been eroded by Cataract Creek. Only about 200 tons of dump material remain. There is some quartz-calcite-siderite-pyrite vein on the dump with very low metal values (<0.006 oz/ton Au and 0.30 oz/ton Ag). The vein probably parallels N75W 82NE shear zones at the portal.

2.30.3 Environmental Condition

The site consisted of a small caved adit and a small waste-rock dump adjacent to the creek. The adit discharged a small volume of water out of a pipe into Cataract Creek. Waste rock had been washed down-slope into Cataract Creek.

2.30.3.1 Site Features - Sample Locations

A surface water sample was collected from the adit discharge pipe (CPHS10L); the discharge was approximately 0.5 gpm. A soil composite sample (5-foot centers) was collected near the base of the dump where material has been washed toward the creek (CPHW10H). A surface water sample was also collected from Cataract Creek downstream of the Phantom mine to assess cumulative impacts to the stream (CUSS60L). The samples were collected on 7/16/92.

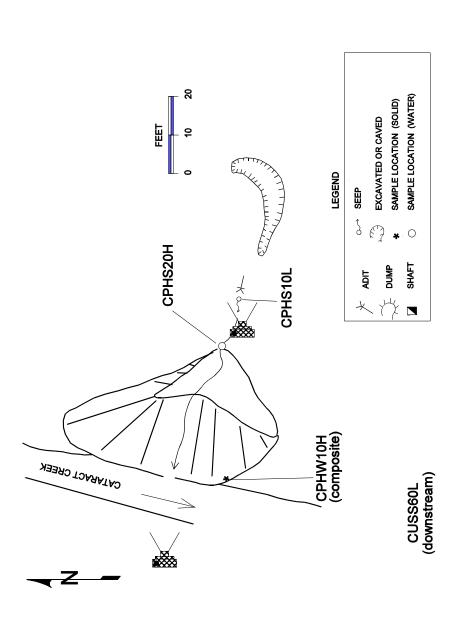






Figure 25A. The collapsed adit of the Phantom mine discharged water to Cataract Creek. Ferric hydroxide precipitate was evident for most of its length.



Figure 25B. The discharge from the adit was flowing into Cataract Creek. Material from the waste-rock dump had been washed into the creek as well.

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Arsenic, copper, lead, and zinc concentrations in the soils below the waste-rock dump exceeded the phytotoxic limits (Table 36). This material has been eroded and almost certainly has been deposited into Cataract Creek either by gravity or during runoff events.

Table 36 Soil Sampling Results Phantom Mine (mg/kg)

Sample Location	As	Cd	Cu	Pb	Zn
Soils below waste-rock dump (CPHW10L)	7835 ^{1,2}	8.9 ¹	309 ^{1,2}	5356 ^{1,2}	1937 ^{1,2}

(1) Exceeds one or more Clark Fork Superfund Background Levels (Table 3)

(2) Exceeds Phytotoxic levels (Table 3)

2.30.3.3 Water

Even though the discharge stream exhibited a large amount of ferric-hydroxide precipitate manganese was the only constituent whose concentration exceeded an MCL (Table 37). Many of the metals concentrations were at or below the detection limit.

It is difficult to attribute the poor quality of water in Cataract Creek to a specific mine. As discussed is previous sections, the Crystal mine appeared to have the greatest impact on Cataract Creek downstream of Uncle Sam Gulch.

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Table 37 Water Quality Exceedences Phantom Mine

Sample Site	Al	As	Ba	Cd	Cr	Cu	Fe	Pb	Mn	Hg	Ni	Ag	Zn	Cl	F	NO ₃	SO_4	Si	pН
Adit discharge - from pipe (CPHS10L)									S										
Cataract Creek - below site (CUSS60L)				P,A C					S				A,C						

Exceedence codes:

P - Primary MCL

S - Secondary MCL

A - Aquatic Life Acute

C - Aquatic Life Chronic

Note: The analytical results are listed in Appendix V

2.30.3.4 Vegetation

Vegetation had not been established on the waste-rock dumps and appeared stressed in the area downslope of the dump. Vegetation around the adit and on the sides of the dump was abundant and appeared healthy.

2.30.3.5 Summary of Environmental Condition

Only the impact of the metals-laden waste-material can be attributed to the Phantom mine with any certainty. The material that has been eroded from the dump onto native soils and, eventually, into Cataract Creek contained high concentrations of metals and arsenic. There is a potential of a massive release of waste material into stream during a large storm event or flood.

The impact of water leaving the Phantom was masked by the impact of the Crystal mine on Uncle Sam Gulch. The adit discharge, however, showed little evidence of impact, both in terms of volume and dissolved constituents.

2.30.4 Structures

No structures other than the adit cover were observed on the site.

2.30.5 Safety

Erosion of the waste-rock dump area by Cataract Creek has caused some undercutting of the bank. This may pose a safety problem if it progresses.

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2.31 SOUTH MANTLE MINE

2.31.1 Site Location and Access

The South Mantle mine (T6N R5W 8 DADA) is on Cataract Creek, approximately one mile northeast of the town of Basin. The site can be accessed by the main Cataract Creek road. The mine site is on private land, but a small portion of DNF administered land crosses Cataract Creek downstream of the site.

2.31.2 Site History - Geologic Features

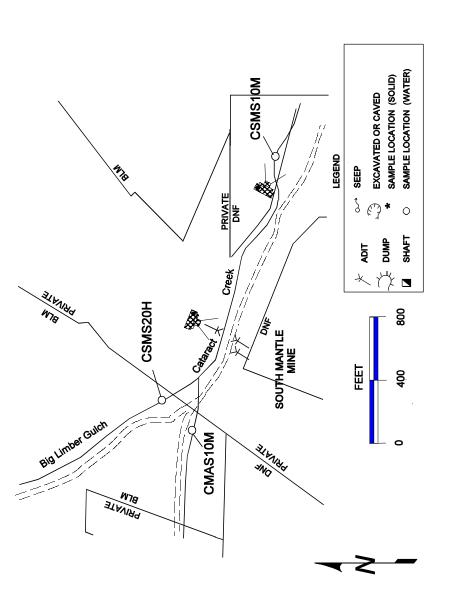
No site history was available for the South Mantle mine. Since the entire site is on private land, no geologic features were mapped and no assay samples were collected.

2.31.3 Environmental Condition

The site consisted of three caved adits with mineralized waste-rock dumps. The aerial extent of the site was approximately half an acre. Because all of the features are on private property, no site map was constructed. The main Cataract Creek road cuts between one of the caved adits and its associated waste-rock dump. This dump was on the west side of the Cataract Creek floodplain and has been periodically eroded during flooding events. A ferric-hydroxide stained seep emerged near this dump, but the water is probably associated with the caved adit on the opposite side of the road. The water from the seep crossed the floodplain and eventually flowed into the creek. A second waste-rock dump was on the east bank of Cataract Creek. Its toe extended into the creek and is subject to constant erosion.

2.31.3.1 Site Features - Sample Locations

To evaluate the impact of the seep and waste-rock dumps, surface-water samples were collected from Cataract Creek upstream of the site (CMAS10M), from Big Limber Gulch upstream of the site (CSMS20H), and from Cataract Creek downstream of the site (CSMS10M). The site was sampled on 10/13/93. Cataract Creek was flowing approximately 6460 gpm upstream of the development area and approximately 5200 gpm downstream of the development area. Big Limber Gulch was flowing at about 58 gpm at the sample location above the site. Sample locations and approximate property boundaries are shown in Figure 26.



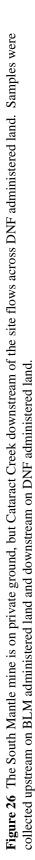






Figure 26A. The development area of the South Mantle mine is on private land; although a detailed assessment was not conducted, waste material has probably made its way into Cataract Creek.

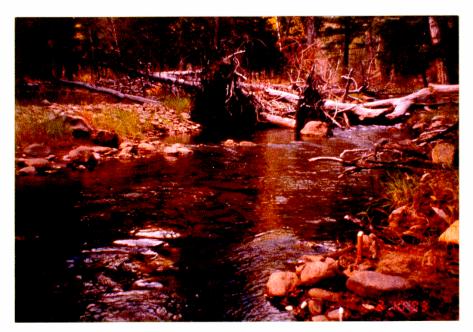


Figure 26B. Cataract Creek was sampled at a small section of DNF administered land downstream of the South Mantle mine.

2.31.3.2 Soil

No impacts to soil were evident on the piece of DNF administered land downstream of the site. Therefore, no soil samples were collected.

2.31.3.3 Water

Concentrations of copper, mercury, zinc, and chloride exceeded MCLs in Cataract Creek both upstream and downstream of the site. The secondary MCL for manganese was exceeded in Cataract Creek upstream of the site but was not exceeded below the site. Big Limber Gulch, which joins Cataract Creek upstream of the site, did not exceed any MCLs. Water-quality exceedences are summarized in Table 38.

Table 38Water Quality ExceedencesSouth Mantle Mine

Sample Site	Al	As	Ba	Cd	Cr	Cu	Fe	Pb	Mn	Hg	Ni	Ag	Zn	Cl	F	NO ₃	SO_4	Si	pН
Cataract Creek - Upstream (CMAS10M)						A,C			S	С			A,C						
Big Limber Gulch - Upstream (CSMS20H)																			
Cataract Creek - Downstream (CSMS10M))						A,C				C			A,C						

Exceedence codes:

P - Primary MCL

S - Secondary MCL

A - Aquatic Life Acute

C - Aquatic Life Chronic

Note: The analytical results are listed in Appendix V

2.31.3.4 Vegetation

The three waste-rock dumps were barren to sparsely vegetated. Outside the disturbed area, the mine appeared to have had no impact on vegetation.

2.31.3.5 Summary of Environmental Condition

Because water quality downstream did not differ significantly from water quality upstream of the site, the mine appears to have little or no impact on Cataract Creek. However, the proximity of the waste-rock dumps to the creek suggests that storm events or heavy runoff may cause erosion of waste materials that could contribute to the suspended and dissolved load in the creek.

2.31.4 Structures

No structures were observed on the mine site or DNF administered land the site.

2.31.5 Safety

Erosion of the base of the dump on the east bank of Cataract Creek could cause instability and subsequent mass failure in the future. No other significant safety concerns were observed at the site.

2.32 SUMMARY OF BASIN MINING DISTRICT - CATARACT CREEK

The Cataract Creek drainage has one of the highest concentrations of mines in southwest Montana. The geologic and mineralogic framework of the Basin Mining District is one that favors the formation of acid mine drainage, but does not favor buffering. Since buffers such as carbonate rocks are found only in small veins in the area, most of the buffering that occurs is driven by aluminosilicates found in alteration zones or by atmospheric-CO₂.

Seven of the mine and mill sites sample in the Cataract Creek drainage had at least one discharge whose pH was less than 6:

Crescent mine adit	pH=3.15
Ada mine adit	pH=2.57
Rocker mine adit	pH=3.35
Rocker Creek	pH=5.82
Boulder Chief mine adit	pH=2.63
Ida M mine adit	pH=2.98
waste rock seep	pH=5.40
Sirius mine adit	pH=4.44
Crystal mine adit(?)	pH=3.52

Other sites had waste material that was capable of producing acid, but water was not present. Some sites, such as the Hattie Ferguson mine, had an adit discharge that had evidently been buffered.

Based on the quantity of contaminated water and soil and the severity of the contamination, the Crystal mine and the Boulder Chief mine have the greatest environmental impact of the sites investigated in the Cataract Creek drainage. If other factors such as susceptibility to erosion or ease of access are considered, other sites become more of a concern. The Cataract Creek tailings, for example, had no site discharges, but could easily be eroded and transported during a flood and are adjacent to the main road.

Nearly all of the waste dumps in the area could fail and move during a catastrophic event, but the Boulder Chief mine is particularly susceptible. The tailings and waste rock material were on a steep, wet slope and small-scale slope failures have already occurred.

Erosion by wind and water are also a concern on several sites. Large areas devoid of vegetation and comprised of fine-grained material were found at the Sirius mine, the Black Bear mine, and the Cataract Creek tailings. At each of these sites, the material contained high concentrations of metals and arsenic. The Cataract tailings, the Morning Glory tailings, and the Phantom waste-rock dump have all been undercut by Cataract Creek.

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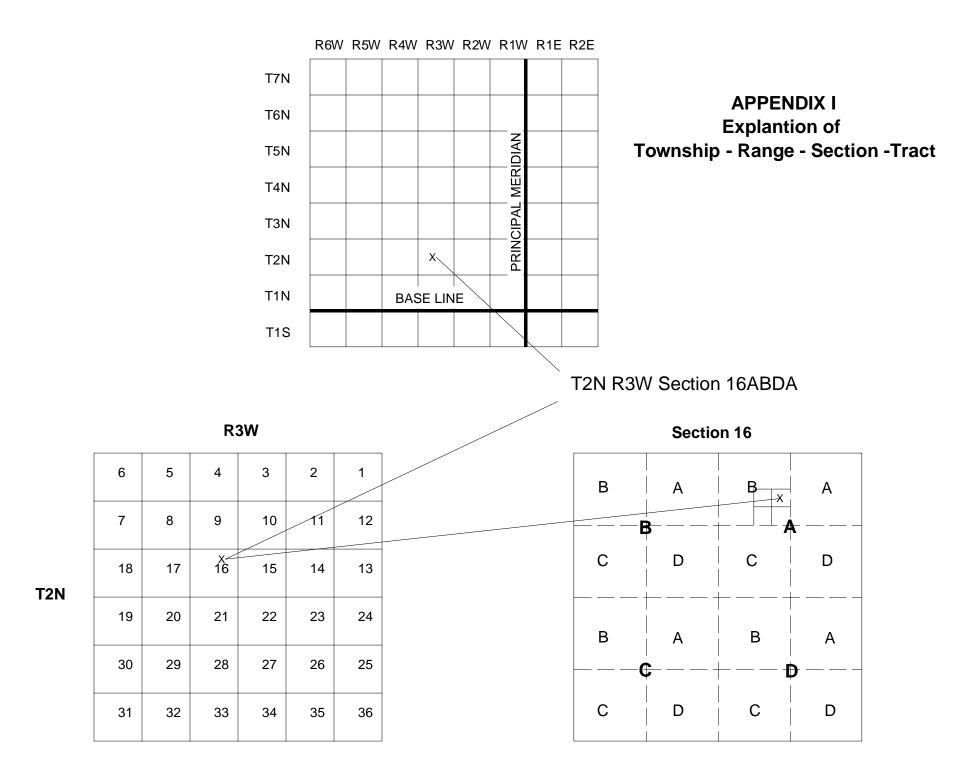
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APPENDIX I

ABANDONED - INACTIVE MINES PROGRAM FIELD FORM

AND

EXPLANATION OF TOWNSHIP-RANGE-SECTION-TRACT



PART A

(To be completed for all identified sites)

LOCATION AND IDENTIFICATION

ID#	Site N	Name(s)				
FS Tract #		FSWat	tershed Code			
Forest		District				11
Location based o	n: GPS	Field Map	Existing Info	Other	de este a	
Lat	Long	xutm	yutm		zutm	
Quad Name		Pr	incipal Meridar	۱		hala
Township	Range		Section	1/4	1/4	1/4
State Cour	nty		Mining Distric	t		
Mix	ional Forest (N	•	st (or unknown)		
lf or	into only imp	acta from the a	ite on National	Earant Do	00115000	010

If all disturbances are private <u>and</u> impacts to National Forest Resources are unlikely or minimal - STOP

PART B

(To be completed for all sites on or likely effecting National Forest lands)

SCREENING CRITERIA

Yes	No	
165	NO	1. Mill site or Tailings present
		2. Adits with discharge or evidence of a discharge
		 2. Folder with disordinge of evidence of a disordinge 3. Evidence of or strong likelihood for metal leaching, or AMD (water stains, stressed or lack of vegetation, waste below water table, etc.)
		4. Mine waste in floodplain or shows signs of water erosion
		5. Residences, high public use area, or environmentally sensitive area (as listed in HRS) within 200 feet of disturbance
		6. Hazardous wastes/materials (chemical containers, explosives, etc)
		7. Open adits/shafts, highwalls, or hazardous structures/debris
		8. Site visit (If yes, take picture of site), Film number(s)
		If yes, provide name of person who visited site and date of visit
		Name: Date:
		If no, list source(s) of information (If based on personal knowledge, provide name of person interviewed and date):
		If the answers to questions 1 through 6 are all No - STOP

PART C

(To be completed for all sites not screened out in Parts A or B)

Investiga	Date	1
Weather		

1. GENERAL SITE INFORMATION

	omic picture(s,			-	
Size of dist	urbed area(s)	a	cres Avera	age Elevation	feet
Access:	No trail	Trail	4wd only	Impro	oved road
	Paved road	d			
Name of ne	earest town (by	road):			
Site/Local T	errain: R	olling or flat	Foothills	Mesa	Mountains
		teep/narrow ca			
Local undis	turbed vegetat	ion (Check all	that apply):	Barren or	sparsely vegetated
	weeds/gra	sses Bru	ush Ripa	rian/marsh	Deciduous trees
	Pine/spruc				
Nearest we	tland/bog:	On site, 0	-200 feet,	200 feet - 2 m	iles,> 2 miles
Acid Produc	cers or Indicate	or Minerals:	Arsenopyrite,	Chalcopy	vrite, Galena,
	Iron Oxide,	Limonite,	Marcasite,	Pyrite,	Pyrrhotite,
	Sphalerite,	Other Sulfid	e	na na sudde fe	
				Marble,	Other Carbonate

2. OPERATIONAL HISTORY

Dates of significant mining activity_____

MINE PRODUCTION

Commodity(s)		i		
Production (ounces)				

Years that Mill Operated

Mill Process:	Amalgam	nation,	Arrastre,	CIP (Ca	rbon-in-Pulp),	Crusher only,
	Cyanidation,	Flotati	on,Gr	àvity,	Heap Leach,	Jig Plant,
	Leach,F	Retort,	Stamp,	No Mill,	Unknown	

MILL PRODUCTION

Commodity(s)			
Production (ounces)		C.	

3. HYDROLOGY

Name of nearest Stream _		whi	ch flows into			
Springs (in and around mi	ine site): I	Numerous	Several	None		
Depth to Groundwater	ft, Measure	ed at:	shaft/pit/hole	well	wetland	
Any waste(s) in contact with	th active strean	n Yes	Ňo			

<u>4. TARGETS</u> (Answer the following based on general observations only)

Surface Water

Nearest surface water	inake	miles,	Probable use			-	
Describe number and	uses of su	urface water	intakes observe	ed for	15	miles	downstream of
site:							

Wells

Nearest well _____miles, Probable use _____ Describe number and use of wells observed within 4 miles of site:

Population

Nearest dwelling _____miles, Number of months/year occupied _____months Estimate number of houses within 2 miles of the site (*Provide estimates for 0-200tt, 200tt-1mile, 1-2miles, if possible*)

Recreational Usage

Recreational use on site: _____High (Visitors observed or evidence such as tire tracks, trash, graffiti, fire rings, etc.; and good access to site), _____Moderate (Some evidence of visitors and site is accessible from a poor road or trail), _____Low (Little, if any, evidence of visitors and site is not easily accessible)

Nearest recreational area _____miles, Name or type of area: _____

5. SAFETY RISKS

____Open adit/shaft, ____Highwall or unstable slopes, ____Unstable structures, _____Unstable structures, _____Explosives

6. MINE OPENINGS

Include in the following chart all mine openings located on or partially on National Forest lands. Also, include mine openings located entirely on private land if a point discharge from the opening crosses onto National Forest land. In this case, enter data for the point at which the discharge flows onto National Forest land; you do not need to enter information about the opening itself.

Opening Number				
Type of Opening				
Ownership				
Opening Length (ft)				
Opening Width (ft)				
Latitude (GPS)				
Longitude (GPS)				
Condition				
Ground water	1			
Water Sample #				
Photo Number		- English		

TABLE 1 - ADITS, SHAFTS, PITS, AND OTHER OPENINGS

Comments (When commenting on a specifc mine opening, reference opening number used in Table 1):

Codes Applicable for all entries: NA= Not applicable, UNK=Unknown, OTHER=Explain in comments, NO=NO or none

Type of opening: ADIT=Adit, SHAFT=Shaft, PIT=Open Pit/Trench, HOLE=Prospect Hole, WELL=Well **Ownership**: NF=National Forest, MIX=National Forest and Private (Also, for unknown), PRV=Private **Condition** (*Enter all that apply*): INTACT=Intact, PART=Partially collapsed or filled, COLP=Filled or collapsed, SEAL=Adit plug, GATE=Gated barrier,

Ground water (Water or evidence of water discharging from opening): NO=No water or indicators of water, FLOW=Water flowing, INTER=Indicators of intermittant flow, STAND= Standing water only (In this case, enter an estimate of depth below grade)

7. MINE/MILL WASTE

Include in the following chart all mine/mill wastes located on or partially on National Forest lands. Also, include mine/mill wastes located entirely on private land if is visually effecting or is very likely to be effecting National Forest resources. In this case enter data for the point at which a discharge from the waste flows onto National Forest land, or where wastes has migrated onto National Forest land; only enter as much information about the waste as relevant and practicable.

Waste Number				
Waste Type				
Ownership				
Area (acres)				
Volume (cu yds)			-	
Size of Material				
Wind Erosion				
Vegetation			1	
Surface Drainage				
Indicators of Metals				
Stability			-	
Location with respect to Floodplain				
Distance to Stream				
Water Sample #				
Waste Sample #				,
Soil Sample #				
Photo Number				

TABLE 2 - DUMPS, TAILINGS, AND SPOIL PILES

Codes Applicable for all entries: NA= Not applicable, UNK=Unknown, OTHER=Explain in comments, NO=NO or none Waste Type: WASTE=Waste rock dump, MILL=Mill tailings, SPOIL=Overburden or spoil pile, HIGH=Highwall, PLACER=Placer or hydraulic deposit, POND=Settling pond or lagoon, ORE=Ore Stockpile, HEAP=Heap Leach

Ownership: NF=National Forest, MIX=National Forest and Private (Also, for unknown), PRV=Private

Size of material (If composed of different size fractions, enter the sizes that are present in significant amounts): FINE=Finer than sand, SAND=sand, GRAVEL=>sand and <2", COBBLE=2"-6", BOULD=>6"

Wind Erosion, Potential for: HIGH=Fine, dry material that could easily become airborne, airborne dust, or windblown deposits, MOD=Moderate, Some fine material, or fine material that is usually wet or partially cemented; LOW=Little if any fines, or fines that are wet year-round or well cemented.

Vegetation (density on waste): DENSE=Ground cover > 75%, MOD=Ground cover 25% - 75%, SPARSE=Ground cover < 25%, BARREN=Barren

Surface Drainage (Include all that apply): RILL=Surface flow channels mostly < 1' deep, GULLY=Flow channels >1' deep, SEEP=Intermittant or continuous discharge from waste deposit, POND=Seasonsal or permanent ponds on feature, BREACH=Breached, NO=No indicators of surface flow observe

indicators of Metals (Enter as many as exist): NO=None, VEG=Absence of or stressed vegetation, STAIN=yellow, orange, or red precipitate, SALT=Salt deposits, SULF=Sulfides present

Stability: EMER=Imminent mass failure, LIKE=Potential for mass failure, LOW=mass failure unlikely

Location w/respect to Stream: IN=In contact with normal stream, NEAR=In riparian zone or floodplain, OUT=Out of floodplain

8. SAMPLES

Take samples only on National Forest lands.

Sample Number					
Date sample taken					
Sampler (Initials)			-		
Discharging From			1		
Feature Number					
Indicators of Metal Release					
Indicators of Sedimentation					۲.
Distance to stream (ft)			1		
Sample Latitude				1	
Sample Longitude			T		
Field pH	5 i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i				
Field SC					
Flow (gpm)	l Sast				
Method of measurement					
Photo Number					

TABLE 3 - WATER SAMPLES FROM MINE SITE DISCHARGES

Comments: (When commenting on a specific water sample, reference sample number used in Table 3):

Codes Applicable for all entries: NA= Not applicable, UNK=Unknown, OTHER=Explain in comments, NO=NO or none

Discharging From: ADIT=Adit, SHAFT=Shaft, PIT=Pit/Trench, HOLE=Prospect Hole, WASTE=Waste rock dump, MILL=Mill tailings, SPOIL=Overburden or spoil pile, HIGH=Highwall, PLACER=Placer or hydraulic deposit, POND=Settling pond or lagoon, WELL=Well

Feature Number: Corresponding number from Table 1 or Table 2 (Opening Number or Waste Number)

- Indicators of Metal Release (Enter as many as exist): NO=None, VEG=Absence of, or stressed vegetation/ organisms in and along drainage path, STAIN=yellow, orange, or red precipitate, SALT= Salt deposits, SULF=Sulfides present, TURB=Discolored or turbid discharge
- Indicators of Sedimentation (Enter as many as exist): NO=None, SLIGHT=Some sedimentation in channel, banks and channel largely intact, MOD=Sediment deposits in channel, affecting flow patterns, banks largely intact, SIGN=Sediment deposits in channel and/or along stream banks extending to nearest stream

Method of Measurement: EST=Estimate, BUCK=Bucket and time, METER=Flow meter

Location relative to mine site/features	Upstream (Background)	Downstream	
Sample Number			
Date sample taken			
Sampler (Initials)			
Stream Name			
Indicators of Metal Release			
Indicators of Sedimentation			
Sample Latitude			
Sample Longitude			
Field pH			
Field SC			
Flow (gpm)			
Method of measurement			
Photo Number			

TABLE 4 - WATER SAMPLES FROM STREAM(S)

Comments: (When commenting on a specific water sample, reference sample number used in Table 4):

Codes Applicable for all entries: NA= Not applicable, UNK=Unknown, OTHER=Explain in comments, NO=NO or none

- Indicators of Metal Release (Enter as many as exist): NO=None, VEG=Absence of, or stressed streamside vegetation/organisms in and along drainage path, STAIN=yellow, orange, or red precipitate, SALT=Salt deposits, SULF=Sulfides present, TURB=Discolored or turbid discharge
- Indicators of Sedimentation (Enter as many as exist): NO=None, SLIGHT=Some sedimentation in channel, natural banks and channel largely intact, MOD=Sediment deposits in channel, affecting stream flow patterns, natural banks largely intact, SIGN=Sediment deposits in channel and/or along stream banks extending ½ a mile or more downstream

Method of Measurement: EST=Estimate, BUCK=Bucket and time, METER=Flow meter

TABLE 5 - WASTE SAMPLES

Sample Number		
Date of sample		
Sampler (Initials)		
Sample Type		
Waste Type		
Feature Number		
Sample Latitude		
Sample Longitude		
Photo Number		

Comments: (When commenting on a specifc waste or soil sample, reference sample number used in Table 5):

Codes Applicable for all entries: NA= Not applicable, UNK=Unknown, OTHER=Explain in comments, NO=NO or none

Sample Type: SING=Single sample, COMP=composite sample (enter length)

Waste Type: WASTE=Waste rock dump, MILL=Mill tailings, SPOIL=Overburden or spoil pile,

HIGH=Highwall, PLACER=Placer or hydraulic deposit, POND=Settling pond or lagoon sludge, ORE=Ore Stockpile, HEAP=Heap Leach

Feature Number: Corresponding number from Table 2 (Waste Number)

TABLE 6 - SOIL SAMPLES

Sample Number		
Date of sample		
Sampler (Initials)		
Sample Type		
Sample Latitude		
Sample Longitude		
Likely Source of Contamination		
Feature Number		
Indicators of Contamination		
Photo Number		

Comments: (When commenting on a specific waste or soil sample, reference sample number used in Table 6):

Codes Applicable for all entries: NA= Not applicable, UNK=Unknown, OTHER=Explain in comments, NO=NO or none

Sample Type: SING=Single sample, COMP=composite sample (enter length)

Likely Source of Contamination: ADIT=Adit, SHAFT=Shaft, PIT=Open Pit, HOLE=Prospect Hole, WASTE=Waste rock dump, MILL=Mill tailings, SPOIL=Overburden or spoil pile, PLACER= Placer or hydraulic deposit, POND=Settling pond or lagoon, ORE=Ore Stockpile, HEAP=Heap Leach

Feature Number: Corresponding number from Table 1 or 2 (Opening or Waste Number)

Indicators of Contamination (Enter as many as exist): NO=None, VEG=Absence of vegetation, PATH=Visible sediment path, COLOR=Different color of soil than surrounding soil, SALT=Salt crystals

9. HAZARDOUS WASTES/MATERIALS

Waste Number		
Type of Containment		
Condition of Containment		
Contents		
Estimated Quantity of Waste		

TABLE 7 - HAZARDOUS WASTES/MATERIALS

Comments: (When commenting on a specific hazardous waste or site condition, reference waste number used in Table 7):

Codes Applicable for all entries: NA= Not applicable, UNK=Unknown, OTHER=Explain in comments, NO=NO or none

Type of Containment: NO=None, LID=drum/barrel/vat with lid, AIR=drum/barrel/vat without lid, CAN=cans/jars, LINE=lined impoundment, EARTH=unlined impoundment

Condition of Containment: GOOD=Container in good condition, leaks unlikely, FAIR=Container has some signs of rust, cracks, damage but looks sound, leaks possible, POOR=Container has visible holes, cracks or damage, leaks likely, BAD=Pieces of containers on site, could not contain waste

Contents: from label if available, or guess the type of waste, e.g., petroleum product, solvent, processing chemical.

Estimated Quantity of Waste: Quantity still contained and quantity released

10. STRUCTURES

For structures on or partially on National Forest lands.

TABLE 8 - STRUCTURES

Туре			
Number			
Condition			
Photo Number	1.		

Comments:

Codes Applicable for all entries: NA- Not applicable	

Codes Applicable for all entries: NA= Not applicable, UNK=Unknown, OTHER=Explain in comments, NO=NO or none

Type: CABIN=Cabin or community service (store, church, etc.), MILL=mill building, MINE=building related to mine operation, STOR=storage shed, FLUME=Ore Chute/flume or tracks for ore transport Number: Number of particular type of structure all in similar condition or length in feet

Condition: GOOD=all components of structure intact and appears stable, FAIR=most components present but signs of deterioration, POOR=major component (*roof, wall, etc*) of structure has collapsed or is on the verge of collapsing, BAD=more than half of the structure has collapsed

11. MISCELLANEOUS

Are any	of the	following prese	ent? (Cl	heck all that ap	oly):	Acrid C)dor,	Drums,
		_Pipe,P	oles, _	Scrap N	letal,	Overh	ead wires	,
		_Overhead cab	les,	Headfrar	nes, _	Woode	en Structu	res,
		_Towers,	_Powe	r Substations	;,	Antennae,	Tr	estles,
		_Powerlines,	Tr	ansformers,		Tramways,	Flui	nes,
		_Tram Buckets	,	Fences,	Ma	achinery,	Garba	ge

Describe any obvious removal actions that are needed at this site:

General Comments/Observations (not otherwise covered)

12. SITE MAP

Prepare a sketch of the site. Indicate all pertinent features of the site and nearby environment. Include all significant mine and surface water features, access roads, structures, etc. Number each important fearue at the mine site and use these number throughout this form when referring to a particular feature (Tables 1 and 2). Sketch the drainage routes off the site into the nearest stream.

13. RECORDED INFORMATION

Owner(s) of patented land Name:
Address:
Telephone Number:
Claimant(s) Name: Address: Telephone Number:
Surface Water (From water rights) Number of Surface Water Intakes within 15 miles downstream of site used for: Domestic,Municipal,Irrigation,Stock, Commerical/Industrial,Fish Pond,Mining, Recreation,Other
Wells (From well logs) Nearest wellmiles Number of wells within0-1/4 miles1/4-1/2 miles1/2-1 mile1-2 miles1/2-1 mile
Sensitive Environments List any sensitive environments (as listed in the HRS) within 2 miles of the site or along receiving stream for 15 miles downstream of site (<i>wetlands, wilderness, national/state park,</i> <i>wildlife refuge, wild and scenic river, T&E or T&E habitat, etc</i>):
Population (From census data) Population within0-1/4 miles1/4-1/2 miles1/2-1 mile1-2 miles1-2 miles
Public Interest Low,Medium,High Is the site under regulatory or legal action? Yes,No
Other sources of information (MILs #, MRDS #, other sampling data, etc):

APPENDIX II

ABANDONED - INACTIVE MINE SITES WITH POTENTIAL TO AFFECT THE DEERLODGE NATIONAL FOREST CODE MINE NAME 16:1 2 PERCENT 2ND CHANCE ORE X U X V 6354 A&B A&M PROSPECT ABBOT ADA ADELAIDE V V S ADIT AIREDALE PROSPECT S V V AIREDALE PROSPECT AJAX ALBION MINE ALDER GULCH PLACER ALGONGUIN S X V ALLPORT ALTURAS AM SELEY MINE AMAZON U X V AMAZON AMERICAN BEAUTY AMERICAN FLAG AMETHYST PROSPECT s S S X ANACONDA QUARRIES ANACONDA QUARRIES ANDERSON PROSPECT X U S V ANNIE ANTELOPE CHROMITE ANTONIOTI QUARRY XXXXV APEX APEX #2 APOLLO APRIL AQUIRIUS V ARCHEGAN AREA NORTH s v ARGO v ARGUS ARGUS ARROWHEAD & SOUTH AMERICA ATLANTIC AND PACIFIC MINE ATLANTIC AND PACIFIC TAILINGS ATTOWA s v V v AURORA AUTUMN PLACER B GROUP X X V V B&H B&H TAILINGS BAIER BAKAMA BALLARAT X ů BALLARD S V V V BANKER CLAIM BANKER GROUP BANNER MINE BANNER TAILINGS S S U BARBARA ANN BARICH MINE BARRY DEAN X BASIN BASIN BELL s BASIN CREEK PLACER BASIN CREEK PLACER BASIN GOLD & SILVER U V BASIN GOLDFIELDS BASIN JIBE MINE BASIN QUARRY X X X S U BASIN TOWNSITE BATTERTON BAR BAYARD S S U BEAL LODE BEAR & FLOAT BEAR CAT S S S V BEAR CREEK PLACER BEAR GULCH PLACER BEAVER PLACER BEE BEE X BEEF STRAIGHT BEEF STRAIGHT NORTH s BELL BELLAIRE MINE S X X U V BELLEFLOWER MINE BELLUM BEN HARRISON FRACTURE BENTZ BERG BERKIN FLAT X S BERNICE BERTHA MAY BI-METALLIC X V V V BIELENBERG LAKE PROSPECT BIESNAHAN & FENNER BIG & LITTLE GOLDIE X X V S BIG BEAR BIG BILL BIG BILL PROSPECT s U BIG CHIEF BIG EXPECTATION X BIG FOOT BIG FOOT CREEK PLACER SV **BIG FOUR** BIG FOUR BIG MAJOR - NEW BALD EAGLE BIGFOOT CREEK PLACER BILLIE GOAT BILLIE T. BIMETALLIC TUNNEL v s v v X BISHOP IRON BISMARK IRON PROPERTY s v BISMARK MINE

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CODE MINE NAME BISMARK TAILINGS BISMARK TAILINGS BISON CANYON MINE BLACK BEAR BLACK CHIEF IRON BLACK EAGLE BLACK MOON BLACK SHIRT BLACK-EYED MAY BLACKBIRD CLAIM BLACKMAIL BLER BLOOMINGTON BLOOMINGTON MILL BLUE BIRD MINE BLUE BOTTLE BLUE DIAMOND BLUE DIAMOND PROSPECT BLUE ROCK LODE BLUE-EYED NELLIE BLUEBELL - MARSH BLUEBELL HEALTH BLUEBIRD BLUEBIRD BLUEBIRD CLAIM PROSPECT BLUESTREAK BM COR BOAZ BOAZ BOB EVANS MINE BOB LODE - 1KM BOMES MINE BONANZA BONANZA JACK BONANZA MINE **BOULAWAY - BULWER** BOULDER BOULDER CHIEF BOULDER COBALT BOULDER COBALT SHAFT BOULDER COBALT WEST BOULDER CREEK BOULDER CREEK BOULDER CREEK GRAPHITE BOULDER IRON BOULDER RIVER PLACER BOURARD LODE BRONZE LODE BROOKLYN MILL TAILINGS BROOKLYN MINE BROOKS BROWN PROSPECT BROWNS QUARRY BRYAN BUCKEYE BULL ELK BULLION BUNKER HILL BUSTER BUTTE & PHILADELPHIA BUTTE - ELK PARK or EUREKA BUTTE TUNGSTEN C&D CABE CABE CABLE MINE CABLE PLACER CADGIE TAYLOR CALCABE CALVIN MINE CAMBELL PROSPECT CAMERON CAMP VERDE PLACER CARBONATOR CARLA, PAULINE, & FAITH GROUP CARLESON MINE CARLESON MINE CARMICHAEL CLAIMS CARMOLY GROUP CAROOLY GROUP CAROLINE & WILLIAM COLEMAN CAROLINE CLAIM CASCADE CASTLE ROCK CATORACT CATORACT CREEK PLACER CATORACT TAILINGS CETO CHAMPION MILL TAILINGS CHAMPION MINE CHAMPION PASS PROSPECT CHAMPION SHAFT CHIEF JOSEPH COPPER - 1KM CHINESE DIGGINGS CLIFF CLIFF CLIFF GULCH CLIMAX CLIMAX GROUP CLIPPER CLIPPER CLIPPER COAL CREEK COBERLY SYNCLINE COLUMBIA COLUMBIA COLUMBUS COMANCHE EXT

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CODE MINE NAME COMET S s COMINCO PHOSPHATE CONGDON MINE V CONNIE JOE Ů V CONSTELLATION VERMICULITE CONTACT #1 COPPER CLIFF COPPER CREEK U V X U COPPER JACK COPPER LODE S S U COPPER LODE COPPER MTN LODE COPPER QUEEN COPPER RIDGE PROSPECTS COPPER STATE MINE COPPER STATE MINE S X s COSMOPOLITAN COTTONWOOD MINE COUGAR s v S X V V COUGAR COYLE CRACKER CRAIG PROSPECT CREDIN MINES? CRESCENT Ú v CRYSTAL BUTTE CRYSTAL MINE CULUER MINE U V S V V V V V CURLY BILL CURLY GULCH ADITS CURLY GULCH AD CUSTER DAILY WEST MINE DALY GULCH DALY PLACER DANIELSVILLE X V V V V DARK HORSE DARK HORSE MILL DAUGHTERS PROSPECT s X DAY & HARVEY DEAD COW ADIT DEAD END S U DEAD END DECIEVER DEER HUNTER PROSPECT DEER LODGE BASIN PROSPECTS DELTA DENNY PROSPECT S V s v DERBY MORNING DEWEY PROSPECT X DG CLAIMS DIAMOND CITY DIAMOND PLACER U V X V V DING BAT & BLUE-EYED MAGGIE DING BAT - BLUE EYED MAGGIE DISSETT MINE DOLE PROSPECT DORA LEIGH & MCCAULEY LEAD DORA LEIGH & MCCAULEY LEAD X S U U V V DORIS DOUBLE EAGLE PROSPECT DOUGHERTY MILL DOUGLAS CREEK v X S V V DOUGLAS CREEK SYNCLINE DOUGLAS MILL DOUGLAS MINE DRY BOULDER IRON DRY COTTONWOOD CREEK v x s DRY GULCH PLACER DUMAS DUMERTIORITE PROSPECT X DUNKLEBERG DUNSTONE DURAND DURANGO DURANGO & MOONLIGHT GROUP FXI EAGER EAGLE BUTTE MINE X S U V EAGLE CLAIM EAGLE HILL & IRON BAR LODES EAST MOUNTAIN LION EAST RIDGE GROUP EAST SOAP GULCH IRON ECLIPSE CLAIM S X U EDNA - KIBLER PROSPECT EDWIN E. GRAUPHER PROSPECT xs ELDERADO V X V ELIZABETH - LITTLE EMERY ELIZABETH SHAFT ELIZABETH SHAFT ELKHORN BUCKHORN ELKHORN CREEK PLACER ELKHORN MINE ELKHORN PEAK IRON x S X V ELKHORN QUEEN ELKHORN RIDGE PROSPECT S X V ELMER EMERY EMERY RIDGE PROSPECT S EMMA DARLING ENTERPRISE ERUBSTAKE V V V s v EUREKA EVA MAY EVA MAY TAILINGS v Ū EVENING STAR & GOLDEN ASSETS M X X X X S FAST KATIE FIELDS FINLAY BASIN PROSPECT

QUADRANGLE PIKES PEAK MAXVILLE MOUNT EMERINE DELMOE LAKE PONY PIKES PEAK BAGGS CREEK MAXVILLE PHILIPSBURG MAXVILLE MOUNT POWELL KELLY LAKE BLACK PINE RIDGE PIKES PEAK BLACK PINE RIDGE HENDERSON MOUNTAIN ROCK CREEK LAKE LOCKHART MEADOWS ROCK CREEK LAKE PHILIPSBURG MOUNT THOMPSON NOBLE PEAK BASIN CHESSMAN RESERVOIR NOBLE PEAK BASIN DUNKLEBERG CREEK NOBLE PEAK MOUNT HUMBUG MOUNT THOMPSON BASIN SILVER LAKE SILVER LAKE POZEGA LAKES MOUNT POWELL MOUNT POWELL PIKES PEAK MOUNT HUMBUG OROFINO MOUNTAIN THUNDERBOLT CREEK ROCK CREEK LAKE HENDERSON MOUNTAIN PIKES PEAK SILVER LAKE PIPESTONE PASS PHILIPSBURG PIKES PEAK POZEGA LAKES RATIO MOUNTAIN ANACONDA NORTH BAGGS CREEK SUGARLOAF MOUNTAIN PHILIPSBURG ROCK CREEK LAKE WILSON PARK WILSON PARK BASIN BLACK PINE RIDGE SILVER LAKE PHILIPSBURG MAXVILLE HENDERSON MOUNTAIN HENDERSON MOUNTAIN NOBLE PEAK OROFINO MOUNTAIN MOUNT POWELL GRACE DUNKLEBERG CREEK ELKHORN MAXVILLE PHILIPSBURG PHILIPSBURG PIPESTONE PASS WICKIUP CREEK ELKHORN HENDERSON MOUNTAIN ELKHORN ELK PARK PASS WICKIUP CREEK ELKHORN PIPESTONE PASS PIKES PEAK PIKES PEAK PHILIPSBURG BAGGS CREEK PHILIPSBURG MOUNT HUMBUG TACOMA PARK ELKHORN ELKHORN TACOMA PARK ELKHORN BASIN SUGARLOAF MOUNTAIN ROCK CREEK LAKE BAGGS CREEK THREE BROTHERS DELMOE LAKE BISON CANYON MOUNT THOMPSON MOUNT THOMPSON BASIN BASIN PHILIPSBURG POZEGA LAKES

CODE	MINE NAME
S	FIRST SHOT-LAST SHOT
V	FISH CREEK MINE
S X	FISH CREEK PLACERS FLAGSTAFF HILL
S	FLEECER MTN AREA FLINT CREEK
X	FLORENCE
V	FLUME GULCH MINE FOREST ROSE MILL TAILINGS
v	FOREST ROSE MINE
V	FOX FRANKLIN
X	FRANKLIN HILL IRON
V	FRANZ GALENA GULCH MINE
S S	GARDINER GARNTY HILL AREA
v	GARRETT
X	GENERAL JACKSON MINE GENERAL WHASHINGTON PLACER
V X	GEORGE GEORGETOWN PLACERS
X	GERMAN GULCH
X V	GERTRUDE GIANT
S X	GILT EDGE PROSPECT GIRD CREEK
x	GIRD CREEK SYNCLINE
S S	GMLC FRIDAY GOAT MOUNTAIN
S	GOLD CREEK SYNCLINE GOLD DUST
Ŷ	GOLD HILL
V X	GOLD HILL MILL GOLD HILL MINES
Ŷ	GOLD KING MINE
V U	GOLD LEAF GOLD PRINCE
V X	GOLD REEF MINE GOLDEN CURRY MINE
v	GOLDEN EAGLE
V V	GOLDEN GIRL #4 GOLDEN GLOW
V	GOLDEN JUBILEE GOLDEN MOSS MINE
Ů	GOLDEN SURPRISE
X V	GOLDEN VALLEY/MINNIE WILSON GOSPEL HILL ADIT
S	GOULD CARRY LODE
x	GRANITE GRANITE BELL
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x	GRANITE TAILING
v	GRAVEL PIT GRAY LEAD
X V	GRAY ROCK / BUNG YOUR EYE GREAT EASTERN
S	GREAT SHIELD URANIUM GREAT WEST/SHOOFLY
Ŷ	GREATER NEW YORK
V S	GROUSE MINE GRUBSTAKE
X	GYP PROSPECT
ŝ	H & H CLAIM H.O. GROUP
V S	HALFWAY PARK PLACER HAM GULCH
S	HAMILTON
v	HANNA HANNA
V	HANNA TAILINGS HANNON - CLAY CHARLIO
v	HANSON MELOY SILVER MOSS
S	HARDCASH HARRY MILLER CLAIM
S V	HATTA MINE & MAGNET MINES HATTIE FERGUSON
v	HAWKEYE
X X	HEADLIGHT HEAGAN
V	HEANEY MINE HECTOR
x	HEILMAN CLAIM
x s	HELEHAN PROSPECT HELL'S CANYON PLACER
V X	HELPER MINE HENDERSON CREEK
x	HENDERSON MINE
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Ŷ	HESPARIA & MINORIA HIDDEN LAKE TAILINGS HIDDEN LAKE TUNGSTEN
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V	HIGHLAND TAILINGS
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WHITETAIL PARK VEIN WIGHT MN MINE WILD CAT
WILLIAM BARTH WILSON CREEK PLACER WINTERS CAMP WJ BRYAN
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APPENDIX III

MINE AND MILL SITES VISITED IN THE CATARACT CREEK DRAINAGE AT WHICH NO IMPACTS WERE EVIDENT OR AFFECTING THE NATIONAL FOREST

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One caved adit on private ground appears to follow a N70W quartz-tourmaline-pyrite vein. The dump is composed of quartz monzonite with quartz, sericite, and pyrite alteration products, and is being actively eroded by Cataract Creek. The land is private for several miles downstream.

<u>BaKaMa</u>

One dry caved adit and a series of prospect pits follow a NE-trending vein of quartz, chalcedony, pyrite, chalcopyrite, tourmaline, tetrahedrite, and abundant calcite. Although a select vein sample ran only .016 oz/ton Au, 9.26 oz/ton Ag, .870% Cu, .440% Pb, and .154% Zn, in 1918 and 1942 the mine produced 26 tons of ore yielding 1385 oz Ag and 3190 lbs Cu (Roby and others, 1960). This high grade ore probably came from a zone of supergene enrichment.

<u>Billie T.</u>

A caved adit crosscuts to a quartz-pyrite vein in quartz monzonite with quartz-sericitepyrite alteration. The length of workings probably totals over 1000 feet. Some minor soil contamination occurs below the dump on private land.

Custer

One caved adit and several prospect pits follow a N74E 75N quartz-pyrite-galenasphalerite (Becraft and others, 1963) vein that is probably the western extension of the Red Wing-Hiawatha vein. Apparently there are about 1500 feet of underground workings. The mine was intermittently active from 1903-1912 with 8472 tons of ore produced with 470 oz Au and 106,065 oz Ag recovered (Roby and others, 1960). Knopf (1913) states that the 30 foot wide vein carried up to 40 oz/ton in silver, but that ore shoots were less than one foot wide.

<u>Elmer</u>

A short caved adit on private land contains a few hundred feet of workings on a N78W vein. A quartz-tourmaline-pyrite-siderite vein was found on the dump.

<u>Eva May</u>

Because the Eva May is well described in the literature (Knopf, 1913; Pardee and Schrader, 1933; Roby and others, 1960; Becraft and others, 1963) and it is on private land with no affected forest service land for miles downstream, it was not examined in detail as part of this project. No discharges exist, and the large tailings pile in the floodplain of Cataract Creek has been mostly removed for reprocessing.

The mine lies at the east end of the Crystal vein and produced over \$2 million dollars in metals before 1910. It was one of the largest producers in the Basin district.

<u>Ida May</u>

A flooded caved shaft with an extensive dump in a marsh mined a N80W zone of altered quartz monzonite cut by stringers of sphalerite and quartz (Becraft and others, 1963). The dump material is slightly anomalous in radioactivity. Because the property is on private land with no discharge, it was not sampled.

<u>John T.</u>

The John T. was a small high-grade silver mine on a quartz-pyrite-galena vein which strikes N87W. The quartz monzonite host rock contains abundant alteration products of quartz, sericite, and pyrite. The adit is caved and probably 1000 feet of workings exist. The only year for which production figures are available is 1917, when 259 tons of ore surrendered 5 oz Au, 4764 oz Ag, 76 lbs Cu, 26,869 lbs Pb, and 35,854 lbs Zn. The property is on DNF administered land.

<u>Jumbo</u>

The Jumbo is on the east end of the Cataract-Sirius vein at the quartz monzonite-andesite contact. Kaolinite is present as an alteration product. It is a short caved adit trending N87E on private land. Some breccia composed of quartz, siderite, and calcite is present on the dump, but Roby and others (1960) reported a vein containing galena and cerrusite.

Klondyke (Basin District)

Like the adjacent Sirius mine, the Klondyke is of interest mainly because of its high gold values and its location in an area of closely spaced veins and relatively pervasive alteration. The mine produced for five years between 1907 and 1946 a total of 342 tons of ore relinquishing 192 oz gold, 7650 oz silver, 8342 lbs of copper, 126,309 lbs of lead, and 2500 lbs of zinc (Roby and others, 1960). A select sample of chalcedony-pyrite vein ran .179 oz/ton Au, 3.56 oz/ton Ag, .59% Cu, 1.3% Pb, and .430% Zn. Workings consist of an open 165 foot shaft with 3 levels and 300 feet of drifts (Roby and others, 1960) and numerous short caved adits and prospect pits. The mine is located at the andesite-quartz monzonite contact which strikes east-west and dips 60N. Ownership is mostly private.

Lizzie Osborne

Two caved adits with more than 500 feet of workings mined a N75W vein 4 feet wide (Roby and others, 1960). The vein is composed of quartz, pyrite, tourmaline, sphalerite, galena, and chalcopyrite; a select sample had .152 oz/ton Au, 7.01 oz/ton Ag, .900% Cu, 2.3% Pb, and 2.78% Zn. Wallrock is quartz monzonite altered to quartz, sericite, and pyrite.

Louise _____

The Louise is comprised of only one very short caved adit that trends N10W in iron stained quartz monzonite. National Forest land.

<u>Manhattan</u>

The Manhattan includes some reclaimed workings along the same structure as the Minneapolis. Becraft and others (1963) include an underground map showing several hundred feet of workings along 2 parallel veins of quartz, galena, sphalerite, pyrite, and malachite. The lower adit has a small discharge, but it affects only private and BLM land.

<u>Mike #14</u>

A caved adit with more than 500 feet of workings crosscuts to the Cataract-Sirius vein. More than 50% of the dump is unaltered quartz monzonite; the remainder contains quartz, sericite, and pyrite alteration products. A select sample of quartz-pyrite-galena-sphalerite vein from the ore bin had .144 oz/ton Au, 6.02 oz/ton Ag, .178% Cu, 7.29% Pb, and 3.98% Zn. Mosses and sedges near the portal indicate a slight seasonal discharge on national forest lands.

Minneapolis

Two caved adits and several prospects mark the site of the Minneapolis on private land. Both Roby and others (1960) and Becraft and others (1963) describe the property. Workings total at least 4000 feet in length along a N75E zone with quartz, sphalerite, galena, and pyrite veins up to 6 feet wide. Host rock is quartz monzonite intruded by a post-mineralization quartz porphyry dike. The Minneapolis produced intermittantly from 1905 to 1949. 1113 tons of ore was produced from which 97 oz Au, 19,031 oz Ag, 6640 lbs Cu, and 149,364 lbs Pb was produced.

Quartz Creek

A caved adit follows a west striking quartz-siderite-calcite vein in unaltered quartz monzonite. Workings probably total less than 200 feet in length.

Saint Lawrence

Originally, the Saint Lawrence patented property contained two shafts (unpublished information, MBMG files) on the Crystal-Bullion vein. Today there are several large flooded open cuts that probably provide much of the recharge for water in the Crystal and Bullion mines.

Saint Nick

A short caved shaft and numerous trenches explore an east-west trending zone with narrow quartz-pyrite-sphalerite-chalcopyrite veins in quartz monzonite with kaolinite alteration products. The site is on private land on the northwest side of the Hattie Ferguson-Sirius mineralization area.

Saturday Night

The Saturday Night is perched on a dry hillside above Cataract Creek. Most of the dump has already been eroded away. It consists of a caved shaft and a caved adit that mined an east-west vertical vein which appparently contained some gold. Production from 1936-1939 was 232 tons containing 31 oz Au, 2868 oz Ag, 268 lbs Cu, and 1723 lbs Pb (Roby and others, 1963).

<u>Seattle</u>

A series of caved adits and numerous prospect pits appear to follow a vertical north striking structure in a creek bottom. Vertical east striking structures are also present, but it is impossible to determine the relation of the mineralization to structures. Vein material on the dump contained quartz, tourmaline, pyrite, galena, sphalerite, and marcasite (?). A select vein sample ran only .060 oz/ton Au, 2.98 oz/ton Ag, .084% Cu, 2.40% Pb, and 2.35% Zn.

<u>Sylvan</u>

The Sylvan site, on national forest lands, contains one dry caved adit with approximately 2200 feet of workings (unpublished information, MBMG files). They apparently explore two parallel veins up to two feet thick (Ruppel, 1963) within a N87E 83SE shear zone. Pieces of vein on the dump contain quartz, tournaline, pyrite, and siderite.

APPENDIX IV

ASSAY DATA CATARACT CREEK DRAINAGE

DEERLODGE NATIONAL FOREST CATARACT CREEK DRAINAGE ASSAY RESULTS

Sample ID Location Description Au Cu Pb Zn Ag CADW10H Ada, Jefferson Co., Dump. Composite, Qtz-py vn, qtz-ser-py Kgm, & Fe-op st Kgm. both ox & unox. 0.004 3.750 0.057 0.320 0.005 CBBW10H Black Bear Jefferson Co. Dump Composite Homogenous wallrock altered to qtz-ser-py (10%) 0.050 2.070 0.032 0.175 0.176 CBCW10H Boulder Chief, Jefferson Co., Dump Composite of main dump. Wallrock (Kvl alt to gtz-ser-py) same vein -gtz-chal-10%py 0.010 1.140 0.019 0.470 0.190 Composite of tailings- very coarse wallrock (alt) & qtz vein CBCT10H Boulder Chief, Jefferson Co., Tailings 0.018 4.340 0.055 2.320 3.870 CBDW10H Blue Diamond, Jefferson Co. Dump (N) Composite Course Rock, Ku altered to gtz-ser-py-coal 0.004 0.240 0.011 0.006 0.008 CBDW20H Blue Diamond, Jefferson Co. Dump (S) Composite Course Rock Ku altered to qtz-ser-py-coal 0.042 1.140 0.119 0.760 0.056 CGLT10H Gray Lead, Jefferson Co. Dump Composite mostly Kqm Altered to-qtz-ser-py 0.031 0.570 0.014 0.345 0.386 Composite Varied from coarse unox sul-bearing sand to dk gy clays CMGT10H Morning Glory, Jefferson Co., Tailings 0.016 1.640 0.027 0.150 0.200 CROW10H Rocker Mine, Jefferson Co. Dump Select of vein, Vuggy-Qtz-py-sph-tef-cpy-gal-aspy-tovr 0.092 6.670 0.440 1.620 1.600 CSIW10H Sirius Mine, Jefferson Co., Dump Composite, Kgm wallrock alt to qtz-ser-py. Unox 0.040 0.980 0.029 0.910 0.057 CUNW10H Unknown Cataract #1 Jefferson Co. Dump Composite Ox+unox-Kqm-altered to-qtz-ser-py+Fe-ox-clay 0.003 1.250 0.013 0.024 0.128 1.600 CSUW10H Uncle Sam, Jefferson Co., Dump. Select sample of vein, Qtz-py-tr gal-tr sph. Included a couple pcs of 100% gal-sph 0.456 15.820 0.144 3.100 CVMW10H Vera & Marie, Jefferson Co., Dump Composite of all dumps - mostly kgm alt to Fe-ox stain qtz-ser sm vn w/ ab py 0.012 0.700 0.011 0.089 0.046

Assay Results (%)

APPENDIX V

WATER QUALITY AND SOIL CHEMISTRY CATARACT CREEK DRAINAGE

MINE/ SAMPLE ID	LAB ID	Sample Site Location	pH (field)	Fe (mg/l)	Mn (mg/l)	Cl (mg/l)	SO4 (mg/l)	NO3 (mg/l)	F (mg/l)	Al (ug/l)	Ag* (ug/l)	As* (ug/l)	Ba* (ug/l)	Cd* (ug/l)	Cr* (ug/l)	Cu* (ug/l)	Hg* (ug/l)	Ni* (ug/l)	Pb* (ug/l)	Zn* (ug/l)
CRESCEI	NT MII	NE																		
CCSS10M	95Q0029	Caved adit discharge onto USFS Property	3.15	0.290	1.920	<.5	127.0	<.05	0.3	3820.0	<1	5.70	19.30	75.90	<2	1775.0	0.05	<.05	1227.00	15097.0
NO. EXCEEDEI			-	-	-	-	-	0	0	-	-	0	0	1	0	-	0	0	1	-
NO. EXCEEDEI			1	0	1	0	0	-	0	1	0	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
	NO. EXCEEDED AQLC-ACUTE(1) NO. EXCEEDED AQLC-CHRONIC(1)		-	0	-	-	-	-	-	1	0+	0	-	1/1 1/1	0	1/1 1/1	0+	0/0 0/0	1/1 1/1	1/1 1/1
NO. EXCLUDE	D'AQLE CA	inol ne(l)									1	0		1/1	0	1/1		0/0	1/1	1/1
ELDORAI	DO ANI	O PLATEAU MINE																		
NEPS10H	94Q0642	Seep on west side of mine cut	4.66	0.008	3.360	4.7	223.0	0.9	0.2	625.0	<1	<1	109.00	104.00	<2	540.0	0.15	26.00	50.00	10090.0
NEPS80H	94Q0644	Duplicate of NEPS10H, west side seep	4.66	0.011	3.280	4.7	239.0	0.4	0.2	615.0	<1	<2	110.00	105.00	<2	535.0		26.00	51.30	9880.0
NEPS20M	94Q0641	Seep on north side of mine cut	7.47	0.007	0.002	<.2		<.05	0.1	<30	<1	<1	29.60	<2	<2	11.4	0.17	25.90	<2	64.0
NEPS30H	-	Ponded water near waste rock	5.95	0.006	0.964		105.5	0.2	0.1	<30	<1	<1	40.00	34.50	<2	65.0		8.90	2.80	
NEPS40H	-	Flooded pit at toe of waste rock dump	5.39	0.013	0.309		100.0	0.6	0.1	46.0	<1	4.00	56.90	24.70	<2	73.1	0.15	7.80	5.30	2840.0
NEPS50M	94Q0646		6.31	0.013	<.002	<2		0.5	0.1	<30	<1	<1	55.60	<2	<2	<2		<2	<2	37.5
NEPS60L NEPS70L	-	Nellie Grant Cr upstream of site	6.68 6.34	0.094 0.091	0.007	<.2 <.2		0.1 0.1	0.1 0.1	53.0 49.0	<1 <1	1.20 1.40	22.90 25.20	<2 <2	<2 <2	8.6 12.8	<.1	<2 <2	<2 <2	19.0 18.9
NEPS/0L	94Q0658	Nellie Grant Cr downstream of site	0.34	0.091	0.005	<.2	3.1	0.1	0.1	49.0	<1	1.40	25.20	<2	<2	12.8	<.1	<2	<2	18.9
NO. EXCEEDEI			-	-	-	-	-	0	0	-	-	0	0	4	0	-	0	2	2	-
NO. EXCEEDED			6	0	4	0	0	-	0	3	0	-	-	-	-	0	-	-	-	2
NO. EXCEEDEI NO. EXCEEDEI	-		-	0	-	-	-	-	-	0	0+	0		4/4 4/4	0/0 0/0	4/4 5/5	0+	0/0 3/2	0/0 3/2	4/4 4/4
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OVERLAI	ND CRI	EEK MINE																		
COCS10L	92Q720	Overland Cr 100' below east shaft	7.51	0.024	0.003	-1.0	5.7	-0.1	0.2	-50.0	-0.60	10.01	9.83	-0.60	-0.90	2.5		-2.40	0.86	26.8
COCS20L	92Q721	Overland Cr 20' upstream of west adit	7.31	0.028	0.002	-1.0	5.2	0.1	0.1	-50.0	-0.60	2.42	10.95	1.09	-0.90	-1.4		-2.40	-0.40	-2.7
COCS30M	92Q722	Overland Cr east mine shaft	6.48	0.027	0.131	-1.0	20.6	-0.1	0.2	50.0	-0.60	5.33	15.68	5.87	-0.90	14.5		2.59	2.22	384.3
COCS40M	92Q723	Overland Cr west mine shaft	6.54	0.021	0.016	0.3	9.4	-0.1	0.2	79.0	-0.60	18.46	6.09	-0.60	-0.90	2.8		-2.40	-0.40	47.0
NO. EXCEEDEI	D CWA-PRI	MARY	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	-	-	0	0	1	0	-		0	0	-
NO. EXCEEDEI			1	0	1	0	0	-	0	2	0	-	-	-	-	0		-	-	0
NO. EXCEEDE	-		-	0	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	-	1/0	0/0	0/0		0/0	0/0	1/1
NO. EXCEEDEI	D AQLC-CH	IRONIC(1)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	+	0	-	1/1	0/0	1/1		0/0	0/0	1/1
ADA MIN	NE																			
CADS20L	92Q684	Rocker Cr 10' upstream of confl. w/seep	7.15	0.071	0.018	-1.0	6.8	-0.1	0.2	59.0	-0.60	1.45	8.36	-0.60	-0.90	-1.4		-2.40	-0.40	-2.7
CADS40L	92Q688	West Ada Adit	6.67	0.019	0.006	1.3		-0.2	0.5	-50.0	-0.60	82.82	1.14		-0.90	21.6		-2.40	-0.40	527.8
CADS60H	92Q685	East adit seepage, West Ada Mine	2.57	189.6	16.8	3.7	733.0	-0.1	0.4	2030.0	1.14	1555.00	10.51	50.29	1.35	4127.0		41.44	125.00	6160.0
CADS30L	92Q687	Rocker Cr 10' downstream of confl. w/seep	6.78	0.180	0.121	-0.5	12.5	-0.1	0.2	-50.0	-0.60	1.67	9.86	-0.60	1.78	2.8		-2.40	-0.40	-2.7
CADS50L	92Q686	Rocker Cr downstream of site	5.82	0.065	0.350	-0.5	33.0	-0.1	0.2	100.0	-0.60	0.70	7.84	1.70	-0.90	159.4		-2.40	-0.40	189.8
NO. EXCEEDEI	D CWA-PRI	MARY	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	-	-	2	0	1	0	-		0	1	-
NO. EXCEEDEI	O. EXCEEDED CWA-SECONDARY		2	1	3	0	1	-	0	3	0	-	-	-	-	1		-	-	1
	O. EXCEEDED AQLC-ACUTE(1)			1	-	-	-	-	-	1	0	1	-	2/1	0/0	3/2		0/0	1/0	3/2
NO. EXCEEDE	O. EXCEEDED AQLC-CHRONIC(1)			-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1+	1	0	3/2	0/0	3/3		0/0	1/1	3/3

MINE/ SAMPLE ID LAB ID Sample Site Location	pH (field)	Fe (mg/l)	Mn (mg/l)	Cl (mg/l)	SO4 (mg/l)	NO3 (mg/l)	F (mg/l)	Al (ug/l)	Ag* (ug/l)	As* (ug/l)	Ba* (ug/l)	Cd* (ug/l)	Cr* (ug/l)	Cu* (ug/l)	Hg* Ni* (ug/l) (ug/l)	Pb* (ug/l)	Zn* (ug/l)
ROCKER MINE																	
CROS10H 92Q689 Adit seepage	3.35	9.8	3.6	0.8	154.0	-0.1	0.1	2090.0	-0.60	2.48	30.77	19.89	-0.90	851.4	30.47	15.33	2453.0
NO. EXCEEDED CWA-PRIMARY	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	-	-	0	0	1	0	-	0	1	-
NO. EXCEEDED CWA-SECONDARY	1	1	1	0	0	-	0	1	0	-	-	-	-	0		-	0
NO. EXCEEDED AQLC-ACUTE(1) NO. EXCEEDED AQLC-CHRONIC(1)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 1	0 +	0 0	-	1/1 1/1	0/0 0/0	1/1 1/1	0/0 0/0	0/0 1/1	1/1 1/1
ROCKER EXTENSION MINE																	
CRES10L 94Q0364 Rocker Cr 30' upstream of site	9.01	0.520	0.146	0.5	12.6	-0.1	0.2	258.0	-1.00	4.66	6.19	-2.00	-2.00	58.79	-2.00	-2.00	98.74
CRES20L 94Q0363 Adit seepage	8.56		1.2	1.4	30.0	-0.1	0.3		-1.00	3.75	14.33		-2.00	2.00		-2.00	173.94
CRES30L 94Q0362 Seep at toe of waste dump	8.54	0.058	0.385	1.5	34.6	-0.1	0.2	-50.0	-1.00	-1.00	6.05		-2.00	10.00		-2.00	244.81
CRES40L 94Q0366 Rocker Cr 30' downstream of site	8.60	0.477	0.137	-0.2	13.2	-0.1	0.1	220.0	-1.00	4.33	6.15	-2.00	-2.00	52.50	-2.00	2.24	86.55
NO. EXCEEDED CWA-PRIMARY	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	-	-	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	-
NO. EXCEEDED CWA-SECONDARY	4	3	4	0	0	-	0	2	0	-	-	-	-	0		-	0
NO. EXCEEDED AQLC-ACUTE(1)	-	0	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	-	0/0	0/0	2/2	0/0	0/0	2/1
NO. EXCEEDED AQLC-CHRONIC(1)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	+	0	-	+/0	0/0	2/2	0/0	0/0	2/1
GRAY LEAD MINE																	
CGLS10L 92Q662 Caved adit discharge	7.39	0.028	0.010	0.3	5.2	-0.1	0.1	-50.0	-0.60	14.67	4.92	4.78	-0.90	-1.4	-2.40	4.58	353.0
CGLS20L 92Q663 Seep at base of waste rock dump	7.16	0.062	0.070	2.0	6.4	-0.1	0.1	-50.0	-0.60	22.76	12.47	6.99	-0.90	3.1	-2.40	15.46	555.0
CGL\$30L 92Q665 Seep downstream of mine	7.21	0.270	0.220	1.2	3.4	-0.1	0.1	-50.0	-0.60	79.39	6.47	1.64	-0.90	6.7	-2.40	24.68	295.8
NO. EXCEEDED CWA-PRIMARY	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	-	-	1	0	1	0	-	0	2	-
NO. EXCEEDED CWA-SECONDARY	0	0	2	0	0	-	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	0		-	0
NO. EXCEEDED AQLC-ACUTE(1)	-	0	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	-	2/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	3/3
NO. EXCEEDED AQLC-CHRONIC(1)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	+	0	-	2/2	0/0	0/0	0/0	3/2	3/3
UNNAMED #4 MINE																	
CUXS10L 92Q661 Site is 1 mi No of Eva May Mine, discharge	7.24	0.072	0.046	0.4	21.9	-0.1	0.2	-50.0	-0.60	14.54	51.03	1.61	-0.90	3.6	-2.40	2.51	322.9
NO. EXCEEDED CWA-PRIMARY	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	-	-	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	-
NO. EXCEEDED CWA-SECONDARY	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	0		-	0
NO. EXCEEDED AQLC-ACUTE(1)	-	0	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	-	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/1
NO. EXCEEDED AQLC-CHRONIC(1)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	+	0	-	1/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/1
UNNAMED #2 MINE																	
CUKS10L 92Q660 Discharge from the caved adit	7.05	0.009	0.520	0.5	58.8	-0.1	0.2	-50.0	-0.60	10.40	5.45	0.63	-0.90	-1.4	-2.40	-0.40	102.0
CUKS20L 92Q664 Seep below waste rock dump	6.99	2.8	0.900	0.8	179.0	-0.1	0.2	-50.0	-0.60	146.11	15.48	0.82	-0.90	2.9	3.23	0.99	95.5
NO. EXCEEDED CWA-PRIMARY	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	-	-	1	0	0	0	-	0	0	-
NO. EXCEEDED CWA-SECONDARY	0	1	2	0	0	-	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	0		-	0
NO. EXCEEDED AQLC-ACUTE(1)	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	-	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
NO. EXCEEDED AQLC-CHRONIC(1)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	+	0	-	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0

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UNNAMED #1 MINE				0/							(0 /	(0 /	(0 /			(6 /	
CU1S10H 92Q623 Base of main dump	7.53	0.214	0.113	0.3	35.2	-0.1	0.1	-50.0	-0.60	1.01	13.31	1.41	-0.90	4.8	-2.40	-0.40	23.1
CU1S20L 92Q624 Upstream of the site on the tributary str.	7.69		-0.002	0.3	6.3	-0.1	-0.1	50.0		4.86	11.13		-0.90	2.1	-2.40		9.4
CU1S30L 92Q625 Cataract Cr below confl. of trib str. and Cataract	7.76	0.195	0.024	0.3	6.3	-0.1	0.1	-50.0	-0.60	1.98	12.20		-0.90	3.1	-2.40		13.3
Cataract Creek above confl of trib str. and Cataract and below																	
CU1S40L 92Q626 beaver ponds	7.47	0.200	0.028	0.3	6.2	-0.1	0.1	-50.0	-0.60	2.01	12.98	-0.60	-0.90	3.0	-2.40	-0.40	14.2
NO. EXCEEDED CWA-PRIMARY	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	-	-	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	-
NO. EXCEEDED CWA-SECONDARY	0	0	1	0	0	-	0	0		-	-	-	-	0	-	-	0
NO. EXCEEDED AQLC-ACUTE(1)	-	0	-	-	-	-	-	1	0	0	-	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0		0/0
NO. EXCEEDED AQLC-CHRONIC(1)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	+	0	-	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
BLUE DIAMOND - OCCIDENTAL MINE																	
CBDS10L 92Q657 Discharge from the Occidental Mine									-0.60	-0.70	28.68	-0.60	-0.90	-1.4	-2.40	-0.40	31.7
CBDS20L 92Q658 Discharge from the Blue Diamond Mine	6.55	0.020	0.010	0.6	11.1	-0.1	0.2	-50.0	-0.60	1.57	17.84	1.07	1.10	3.5	-2.40	2.23	78.6
CBDS30L 92Q659 From Hoo Doo Cr. downstream of mine sites	7.12	0.065	0.055	0.3	10.7	0.4	0.1	85.0	-0.60	1.26	16.80	-0.60	-0.90	2.8	-2.40	-0.40	40.9
NO. EXCEEDED CWA-PRIMARY	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	-	-	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	-
NO. EXCEEDED CWA-SECONDARY	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	1	0	-	-	-	-	0	-	-	0
NO. EXCEEDED AQLC-ACUTE(1)	-	0	-	-	-	-	-	0		0	-	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0		0/0
NO. EXCEEDED AQLC-CHRONIC(1)	-	-	=	-	-	-	-	0	+	0	-	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
BLACK BEAR MINE																	
CBBS10L 92Q668 Unnamed stream above mine	6.95	0.021	-0.002	0.2	4.4	-0.1	0.1	-50.0	-0.60	1.89	7.06	-0.60	-0.90	-1.4	-2.40	-0.40	20.2
CBBS20M 92Q671 Downstream from site on same trib. to Cataract Cr.	6.77	0.026	0.260	0.3	18.8	-0.1	0.1	445.0	-0.60	4.86	9.56	7.58	-0.90	61.3	-2.40	-0.40	714.4
NO. EXCEEDED CWA-PRIMARY	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	-	-	0	0	1	0	-	0	0	-
NO. EXCEEDED CWA-SECONDARY	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	1	0	-	-	-	-	0	-	-	0
NO. EXCEEDED AQLC-ACUTE(1)	-	0	-	-	-	-	-	0		0	-	1/0	0/0	1/1	0/0		1/1
NO. EXCEEDED AQLC-CHRONIC(1)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	+	0	-	1/1	0/0	1/1	0/0	0/0	1/1
UNNAMED #3 MINE																	
CU3S10M 92Q669 Caved adit (?) in disturbed area above pond	6.11	0.016	0.004	0.3	4.5	-0.1	0.1	-50.0	-0.60	77.62	24.64	0.94	-0.90	3.0	-2.40	-0.40	140.4
CU3S20M 92Q670 Near waste rock dump below flooded shaft	6.46	0.141	0.130	0.6	6.8	-0.1	0.1	87.0	-0.60	3.66	8.78	1.09	-0.90	-1.4	-2.40	2.60	47.4
NO. EXCEEDED CWA-PRIMARY	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	-	-	1	0	0	0	-	0	0	-
NO. EXCEEDED CWA-SECONDARY	2	0	1	0	0	-	0	1	0	-	-	-	-	0	-	-	0
NO. EXCEEDED AQLC-ACUTE(1)	-	0	-	-	-	-	-	0		0	-	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0		1/0
NO. EXCEEDED AQLC-CHRONIC(1)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	+	0	-	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/0
CATARACT MINE -TAILINGS																	
CCAS10L 92Q483 Cataract Cr upstream	7.62	0.120	0.006	0.4	6.0	-0.1	0.1	-50.0	-0.60	2.24	17.50	9.52	-0.90	7.6	-2.40	0.59	34.6
CCAS20L 92Q487 Cataract Cr downstream soil/tail wash area	7.71	0.130	0.008	0.4	6.2	-0.1	0.1	-50.0	-0.60	2.15	16.43	-0.60	-0.90	7.8	-2.40	-0.40	38.6
NO. EXCEEDED CWA-PRIMARY	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	-	-	0	0	1	0	-	0	0	-
NO. EXCEEDED CWA-SECONDARY	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0		-	-	-	-	0	-	-	0
NO. EXCEEDED AQLC-ACUTE(1)	-	0	-	-	-	-	-	0		0	-	1/1	0/0	0/0	0/0		0/0
NO. EXCEEDED AQLC-CHRONIC(1)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	+	0	-	1/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0

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BOULDER CHIEF MINE																	
CBCS10H92Q569Adit discharge point of the Boulder ChiefCBCS20H92Q570downill from adit where springs are seeping	2.63 6.18	66.8 0.011		3.7 0.4	646.0 16.5	-0.3 0.1	0.5 0.1	15300.0 -50.0		1.59 0.89	21.99 5.96	1137.00 11.14	2.19 -0.90	4506.0 18.4	13.84 -2.40	36.16 61.81	18540.0 1410.0
NO. EXCEEDED CWA-PRIMARY NO. EXCEEDED CWA-SECONDARY NO. EXCEEDED AQLC-ACUTE(1)	2	-1	- 1	0	0	0	0	- 1 1	$^+$ 0 0	0	0	2 - 2/2	0	- 1 2/2	0 - 0/0	2	1 2/2
NO. EXCEEDED AQLC-CHRONIC(1)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1+	0	-	2/2	0/0	2/2	0/0	2/2	2/2
IDA M MINE																	
CIMS10H 92Q656 base of main dump where springs seep from beneath dump C1MS20H 92Q571 at adit on top of main dump	2.98 5.43	10.1 0.792	4.3 6.1	2.1 0.6	270.0 129.0	-0.1 0.1	0.8 0.5	6200.0 746.0		2.20 -0.70	34.09 35.43	156.86 93.44	-0.90 -0.90	95.1 164.5	35.62 17.29	244.59 80.30	18090.0 5287.0
NO. EXCEEDED CWA-PRIMARY	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	-	-	0	0	2	0	-	0	2	-
NO. EXCEEDED CWA-SECONDARY	2	2	2	0	0	-	0	2		-	-	-	-	0	-	-	2
NO. EXCEEDED AQLC-ACUTE(1) NO. EXCEEDED AQLC-CHRONIC(1)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2 2		0 0	-	2/2 2/2	0/0 0/0	2/2 2/2	0/0 0/0	1/1 1/1	2/2 2/2
HATTIE FERGUSON MINES																	
CHFS10H 92Q488 Lower Hattie Ferguson adit discharge	6.87	0.640	0.680	-2.5	55.4	-0.1	0.3	-50.0	-0.60	6.75	51.44	-0.60	1.52	-1.4	-2.40	-0.40	17.5
CHFS20L-A 92Q486 Cataract Cr below adit discharge	7.69	0.130	0.010	0.5	6.7	-0.1	0.1	-50.0	-0.60	2.80	17.93	-0.60	-0.90	17.9	-2.40	1.29	42.1
CHFS20M 92Q506 Upper Hattie Ferguson at adit	7.02	0.020	0.148	0.4	46.2	-0.1	0.1	-50.0	-0.60	30.11	21.43	1.30	-0.90	-1.4	-2.40	-0.40	227.5
CHFS30L 92Q505 Upstream of site on un-named creek	7.67	0.020	0.009	0.5	67.0	0.2	0.2	-50.0	-0.60	4.87	51.72	3.64	-0.90	1.5	3.39	-0.40	1135.0
CHFS40M 92Q504 At the lower adit on the un-named creek	7.09	0.008	0.003	0.3	54.8	-0.1	0.1	-50.0	-0.60	8.85	39.69	0.96	-0.90	-1.4	-2.40	-0.40	183.0
CHFS50M 92Q503 Bel confl Un-named Cr & seep @ lower dump	7.72	0.005	0.004	0.3	68.3	-0.1	0.2	-50.0	-0.60	6.71	46.01	2.12	-0.90	-1.4	-2.40	-0.40	610.0
CHFS60M 92Q502 Bel confl Un-named Cr & seep @ upper dump	7.91	0.007	-0.002	0.4	73.0	0.1	0.2	-50.0	-0.60	4.87	47.70	2.54	-0.90	1.7	2.72	-0.40	806.0
CHFS70L 92Q501 Downstream of site, creek crosses main road	7.18	0.141	0.069	0.4	17.0	-0.1	0.1	-50.0	-0.60	2.33	14.85	1.92	-0.90	8.0	-2.40	1.19	400.3
NO. EXCEEDED CWA-PRIMARY	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	-	-	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	-
NO. EXCEEDED CWA-SECONDARY	0	1	3	0	0	-	0	0		-	-	-	-	0	-	-	0
NO. EXCEEDED AQLC-ACUTE(1) NO. EXCEEDED AQLC-CHRONIC(1)	-	0	-	-	-	-	-	0 0		0 0	-	0/0 5/3	0/0 0/0	0/0 0/0	0/0 0/0	0/0 0/0	6/4 6/5
SIRIUS MINE																	
	4.44	0.062	1.0	0.5	102.0	0.1	0.2	620.0	0.60	0.70	14.62	20.46	0.00	65.0	6.01	12.07	4550.0
CSIS10H 92Q508 Located at main adit. CSIS30H 92Q507 Duplicate of CSIS10H - adit sample.	4.44 4.44	0.063 0.056	1.8 1.8	0.5 0.4		-0.1 -0.1	0.3 0.2	629.0 620.0		-0.70 -0.70	14.63 15.26	30.46 31.36	-0.90 -0.90	65.0 65.3	6.91 6.81	13.87 13.61	4559.0 4472.0
NO. EXCEEDED CWA-PRIMARY	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	-	-	0	0	2	0	-	0	0	-
NO. EXCEEDED CWA-SECONDARY	2	0		0	0	-	0	2		-	-	-	-	0	-	-	0
NO. EXCEEDED AQLC-ACUTE(1) NO. EXCEEDED AQLC-CHRONIC(1)	-	0	-	-	-	-	-	0 2		0 0	-	2/2 2/2	0/0 0/0	2/2 2/2	0/0 0/0	0/0 2/2	2/2 2/2
CRACKER MINE																	
CCRS10L 92Q474 Surface-water grab sample of discharge of main adit	7.39	0.030	3.9	0.7	74.8	-0.1	0.2	-20.0	-0.60	-0.70	15.23	12.06	-0.90	2.2	3.43	-0.40	1886.0
NO. EXCEEDED CWA-PRIMARY	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	-	-	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	-
NO. EXCEEDED CWA-SECONDARY	0	0	1	0	0		0	0	0	-	-	-	-	0	-	-	0
NO. EXCEEDED AQLC-ACUTE(1)	-	0	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	-	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	2/2
NO. EXCEEDED AQLC-CHRONIC(1)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	+	0	-	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/1

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MTN CHIEF MINE	(neid)	(((((((ug/1)	(46/1)	(46/1)	(46,1)	(48/1)	(48/1)	(ug/1)	(46/1) (46/1)	(ug/1)	(ug/1)
CMCS10L 92Q484	7.42	0.136	0.450	1.2	28.3	-0.1	0.3	-50.0	-0.60	6.77	11.41	1.25	-0.90	-1.4	-2.40	0.64	167.6
CMCS20L 92Q485	7.06	0.198	0.120	1.2	26.1	-0.1	0.3	150.0	-0.60	11.36	26.68	2.25	1.15	4.7	2.74	2.70	81.0
NO. EXCEEDED CWA-PRIMARY	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	-	-	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	_
NO. EXCEEDED CWA-SECONDARY	0	0	2	0	0	-	0	1	0	-	-	-	-	0	-	-	0
NO. EXCEEDED AQLC-ACUTE(1)	-	0	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	-	0/0 2/1	0/0 0/0	0/0 0/0	0/0 0/0		1/0 1/0
NO. EXCEEDED AQLC-CHRONIC(1)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	+	0	-	2/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/0
VERA & MARIE MINE																	
CVMS10L 92Q477 Up drainage nearest the adit	7.23	0.021		0.9	22.2	-0.1	0.2		-0.60	1.61			-0.90	-1.4	-2.40		-2.7
CVMS20L 92Q478 Upstream of site on str. in drainage away from site	6.97			0.9	19.2	-0.1	0.2		-0.60	1.74	18.06		-0.90	-1.4	-2.40		-2.7
CVMS30L 92Q479 Main stream above confl with Cataract CVMS40M 92Q480 Base of main waste rock dump above confl	7.68 6.51	0.034 2.55	0.018	0.9 1.0	21.3 40.7	-0.1 -0.1	0.2 0.3		-0.60 -0.60	1.88 4.47	17.29 22.17	-0.60	-0.90 0.98	-1.4 2.9	-2.40		7.5 49.5
CVMS40M 92Q400 Base of main waste fock during above contr	0.51	2.55	1.7	1.0	40.7	-0.1	0.5	00.0	-0.00	4.47	22.17	0.02	0.98	2.)	0.00	0.92	47.5
NO. EXCEEDED CWA-PRIMARY	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	-	-	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	-
NO. EXCEEDED CWA-SECONDARY NO. EXCEEDED AQLC-ACUTE(1)	0	1	1	0	0	-	0	1	0	-0	-	0/0	0/0	0 0/0	0/0	- 0/0	0 0/0
NO. EXCEEDED AQLC-CHRONIC(1)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	+	0	-	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0		0/0
UNCLE SAM GULCH & MINE																	
CUSS10L 92Q638 Cataract Cr,seep from hill bel.Crystal Mine	7.66	0.043	0.009	0.4	13.6	-0.1	0.1	50.0	-0.60	10.57	17.38	0.67	-0.90	3.5	-2.40	1.29	25.0
CUSS20L 92Q638 Catalact Cr,seep non nin benchystar Mine CUSS20L 92Q639 Uncle Sam Gulch downstream of Crystal Mine	3.52	4.5	4.3		186.0	-0.1	0.1	4500.0		6.52		242.32			-2.40	89.75	6824.0
CUSS30L 92Q640 Uncle Sam Gulch 10' aby conf w/ Cataract Cr		0.008		0.4	52.8	-0.1	0.1		-0.60	1.63	27.83		-0.90	90.6	3.23	1.47	2756.0
CUSS40L 92Q641 Cataract Cr 20' abv conf w/Uncle Sam Gulch	8.02	0.116	0.006	0.4	10.9	-0.1	0.1	-50.0	-0.60	4.90	27.32	0.91	3.00	10.1	-2.40	0.96	59.6
CUSS50L 92Q642 Cataract Cr 20' belw conf w/Uncle Sam Gulch	7.89		0.080	0.4	15.4	-0.1	0.1		-0.60	4.76			-0.90	38.1	-2.40		498.4
CUSS60L 92Q643 Cataract Cr 1000' below Phantom Mine	7.70	0.071	0.084	0.4	17.0	-0.1	0.1	-50.0	-0.60	3.88	23.05	7.44	-0.90	38.1	-2.40	1.34	511.4
NO. EXCEEDED CWA-PRIMARY	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	-	-	0	0	4	0	-	0	1	-
NO. EXCEEDED CWA-SECONDARY	1	1	4	0	0	-	0	2	0	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
NO. EXCEEDED AQLC-ACUTE(1) NO. EXCEEDED AQLC-CHRONIC(1)	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	0	0	-	4/2 4/4	0/0 0/0	4/4 4/4	0/0		4/4 4/4
NO. EXCLEDED AQLC-CHROMIC(1)								2	Ŧ	0		4/4	0/0	4/4	0/0	1/0	4/4
PHANTOM MINE																	
CPHS10L 92Q475 Adit discharge	7.43	0.062	0.188	0.9	37.4	-0.1	0.2	-50.0	-0.60	-0.70	18.81	-0.60	-0.90	-1.4	-2.40	-0.40	-2.7
NO. EXCEEDED CWA-PRIMARY	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	-	-	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	-
NO. EXCEEDED CWA-SECONDARY	0	0	1	0	0	-	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	0	-	-	0
NO. EXCEEDED AQLC-ACUTE(1)	-	0	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	-	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0		0/0
NO. EXCEEDED AQLC-CHRONIC(1)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	+	0	-	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0

Water Quality Results - Dissolved Concentrations

MINE/	pH	Fe	Mn	Cl	SO4	NO3	F	Al	Ag*	As*	Ba*	Cd*	Cr*	Cu*	Hg*	Ni*	Pb*	Zn*
SAMPLE ID LAB ID Sample Site Location	(field)	(mg/l)	(mg/l)	(mg/l)	(mg/l)	(mg/l)	(mg/l)	(ug/l)										
SOUTH MANTLE MINE																		
CMAS20M 94Q0767 Cataract Cr 600' upstream of Mantle Mine	7.90	0.121	0.052	0.7	12.5	0.3	0.1	43.0	<1	2.20	12.80	3.20	<2	44.9	<.1	<2	<2	278.0
CMAS10M 94Q0765 Cataract Cr 1600' dwnstrm of Mantle Mine	8.20	0.124	0.050	0.8	12.5	0.2	0.1	41.0	<1	2.10	13.00	3.40	<2	39.5	<.1	<2	<2	277.0
CSMS20H 94Q0771 Big Limber Cr 400' abv conf Cataract Cr&SMM	7.75	0.026	0.004	3.3	34.3	0.2	0.2	<30	<1	1.30	47.20	<2	<2	<2	<.1	<2	<2	4.9
CSMS10M 94Q0769 Cataract Cr 1600' dwnstrm of So Mantle Mine	7.80	0.109	0.043	0.6	12.7	0.2	0.0	45.0	<1	2.20	12.90	3.10	<2	40.7	<.1	<2	<2	252.0
NO. EXCEEDED CWA-PRIMARY	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	-	-	-	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	-
NO. EXCEEDED CWA-SECONDARY	0	0	2	0	0	-	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	0	-	-	-	0
NO. EXCEEDED AQLC-ACUTE(1)		0	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	-	0/0	0/0	3/3	0	0/0	0/0	3/3
NO. EXCEEDED AQLC-CHRONIC(1)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	-	3/3	0/0	3/3	+	0/0	0/0	3/3

A minus (-) sign before a number means the concentration is less than the Method Detection Limit (MDL), for that analyte. Value shown is the MDL, per SOW 200.8.

* Critical elements, lab data has been qualified according to QAPP.

(1) Where two values are listed, criteria is hardness dependent.Values are calculated on hardness of 100 and 200 mg/l, respectively.

+ MDL is above Chronic Aquatic Life Criteria.

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Sample Lab id		Cr C	Ni C-1	Cu C-2	Zn C-3	As C-4	Ag C-5	Cd C-6	Ba C-7	Pb C-8
ADA CADD10H 92S692 CADD20H 92S693	below waste-rock dump west side of waste-rock dump	3.047657 B 3.220573 B	1.975413 B 1.609232 B	123.2974 61.97124	108.8874 101.5777	2953.488 2260.939	3.287361 B 0 U	0 U 0 U	65.55459 B 72.23826 B	154.2727 153.05
BLACK BEAR CBBD10H 92S672	near stream below dump	1.95445 B	1.797433 B	29.93862 B	159.7463	1081.055	0 U	0.481381 B	39.56005 B	156.5688
BOULDER CHIEF CBCD11H 92S572	near CBCS20H at seep area	3.7219 B	3.241166 B	188.1344	4402.52	38.81302	37.96288	36.42453	39.63027 B	3258.877
CATARACT CCAD10H 92S482	tailings-soil mix area	0.833405 U	1.36355 B	668.3911	1040.701	1139.764	95.65742	6.121374 B	185.2653 B	3582.969
CRACKER CCRD10L 92S472	below waste-rock dump	2.245918 B	1.492105 B	155.0393	1792.952	117.0915	8.440484 B	13.01657	55.12144 B	1897.736
GRAY LEAD CGLD10H 92S666	lower extent of tailings	2.99229 B	0.692167 U	352.1318	1963.871	4360.65	24.84612	33.40503	57.31673 B	3825.552
PHANTOM CPHW10L 92S471	below waste-rock dump	4.724599 B	7.63016 B	28.52348 B	183.6359	23.81447	0 U	1.689901 B	29.28494 B	102.2535
ROCKER CROD10H 92S691 CROD20H 92S690	below waste-rock dump soil near adit discharge	4.974636 B 4.728565 B	4.105374 B 4.343558 B	114.5135 162.107	90.83081 110.8458	1016.727 691.3872	1.377119 B 0 U	0 U 0.33821 B	64.76948 B 42.88679 B	356.6101 99.05525
SIRIUS CSID10H 92S510	below waste-rock dump	0 U	0 U	53.21786	233.3666	1255.923	3.147246 B	1.060698 B	12.17516 B	1607.833