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Dear Interested Party:

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Sincerely,

for

JERRY L. GREEN
District Ranger

Enclosure

SCOPING DOCUMENT
Alta Gold Company
Griffon Project
POO #03-04-96

USDA Forest Service
Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forests
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- How will cultural sites be affected by the proposed project?
- What, if any, Native American concerns might there be?

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- The access road to the mine site would have a few blind corners, which could be a safety problem. What measures are needed to ensure safe travel of mine and public traffic?

EFFECT TO MINE ECONOMICS

- What effect will the various alternatives and associated mitigation and monitoring have on the economics of the project?

RECLAMATION

- Is there enough topsoil or growth medium to accomplish revegetative goals?
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IV. PRELIMINARY ALTERNATIVES TO BE ANALYZED

NO ACTION: Under this alternative, the proposal by Alta would not be implemented. As stated earlier, the law establishes Alta's right to conduct mining on these lands and the Forest Service's obligation to permit such activities in an environmentally sound manner. Therefore, this is not a viable alternative, but it does establish a baseline by which the other alternatives can be compared.

PROPOSED ACTION: This alternative would allow the Griffon Project to be implemented as described by Alta in their Plan of Operations.

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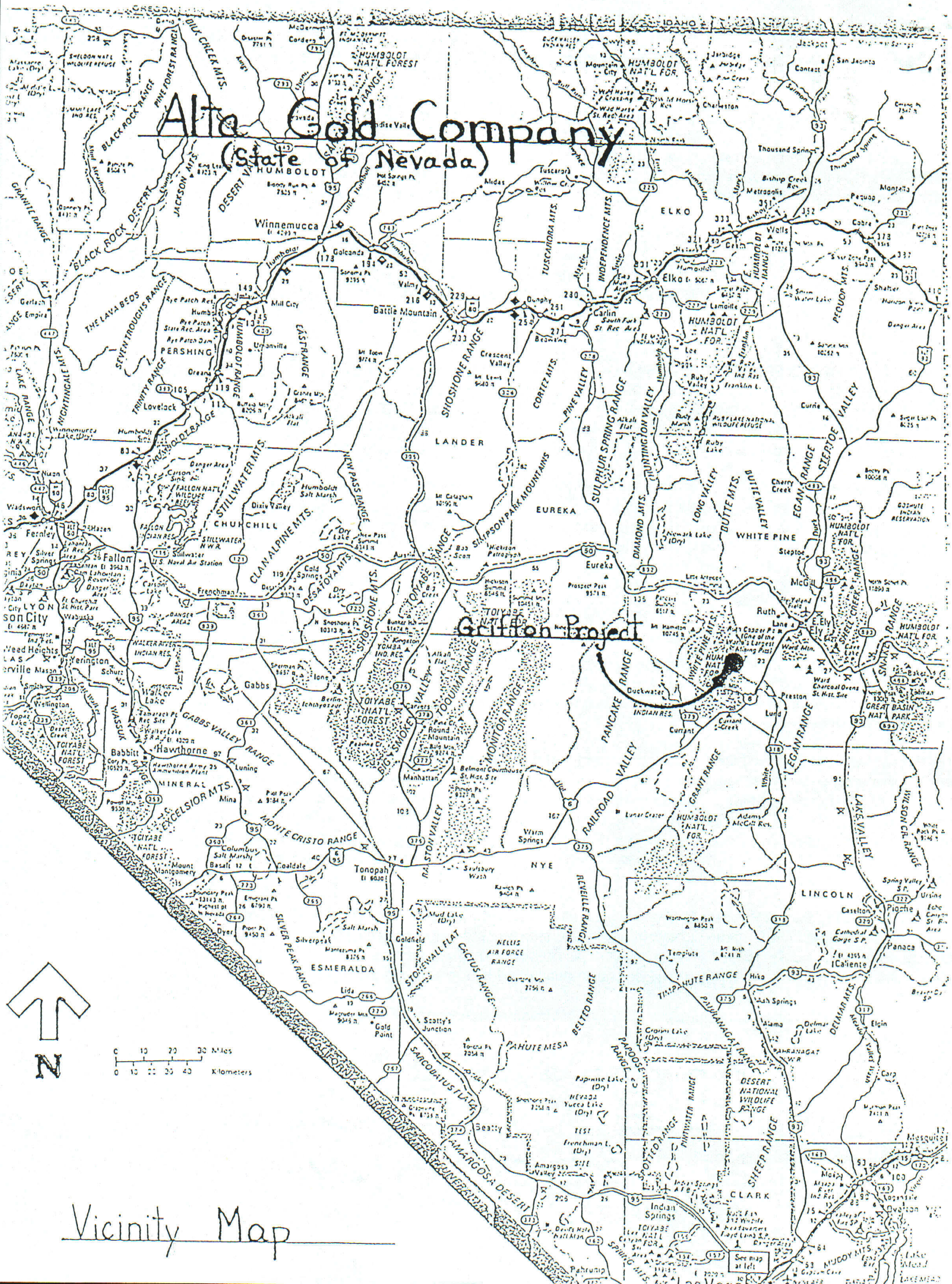
V. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Public participation is important during the scoping process. As part of the scoping process, the Forest Service will be seeking information and comments from Federal, State, County and local agencies and other individuals or organizations who may be interested in or affected by the proposed actions. This input will be used in the preparation of the draft/final environmental documents.

The Forest Service Interdisciplinary Team has identified preliminary issues and alternatives for the project. To assist us in this environmental analysis, we would like to hear what additional issues and/or alternatives you believe should be considered. To be most helpful, all comments should be received by this office no later than May 31, 1996. Written comments are prefered. If you wish to not comment at this time but would like to receive the draft/final Environmental Impact Statement and/or final decision document, so note on the attached comment request form and send to this office. Note there will be at least a 45 day comment period when you will have an opportunity to comment on the draft Environmental Impact Statement prior to the final decision.

Pursuant to 7 CFR, Part 1, Subpart B, Section 1.27, all written submissions in response to this notice will be made available for public inspection including the submitter's name, unless the submitter specifically requests confidentiality. Anonymous comments will not be accepted. All written submissions from business entities and organizations, submitted on official letterhead, in response to this notice will be made available for public inspection in their entirety.

ADDRESSES: Send written comments to: Monica J. Schwalbach, Assistant Forest Supervisor, Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forests, PO Box 539, Ely, Nevada 89301.
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Direct questions about the proposed project and preparation of the EIS to David Valenzuela, Project Team Leader, at the same address, Telephone: 702-289-3031.



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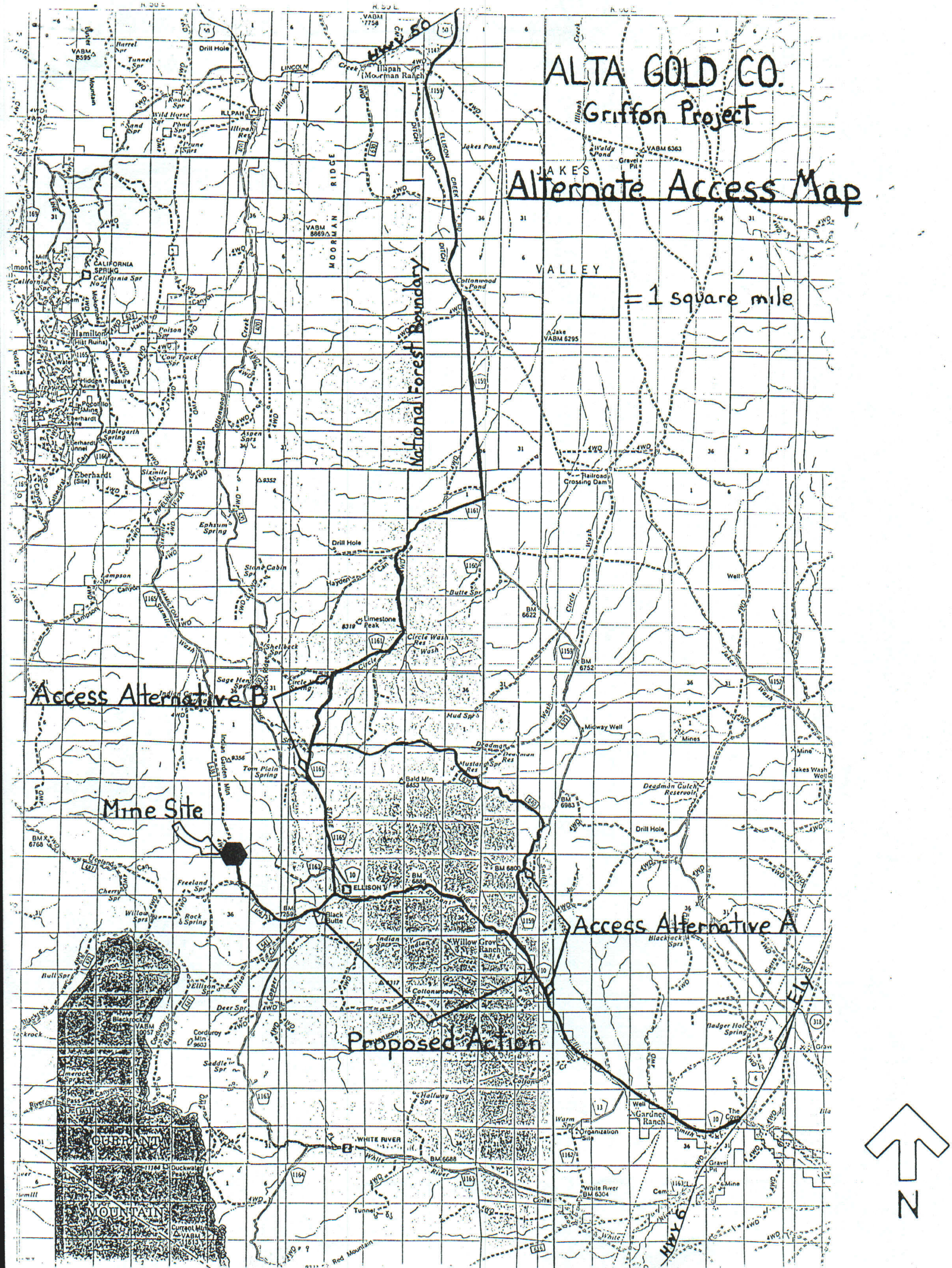

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Alternate Access Map
= 1 square mile
National Forest Boundary
Access Alternative B
Mine Site
Access Alternative A
Proposed Action
Hwy 50
Hwy 6
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JAKES
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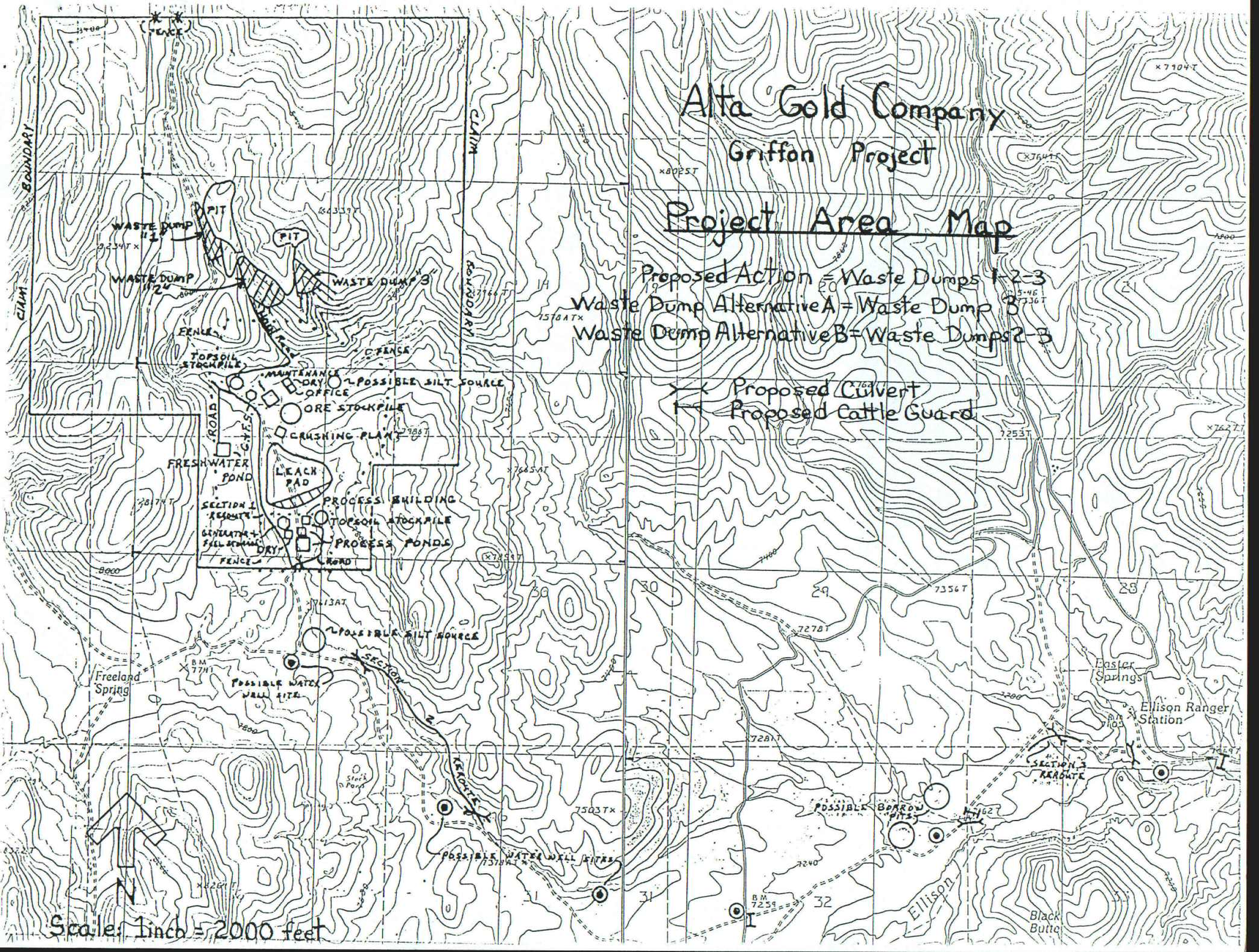
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- The cottonwood gallery(ies) along Ellison Creek is unique in this area and provides valuable habitat for the goshawk(a sensitive species) and other species. How will it be affected by road reconstruction and increased traffic?
- Along the access road, will fugitive dust accumulate on riparian vegetation, affecting quality of habitat for wildlife?
- There will be a loss of vegetative habitat and forage during mining operations; How will wildlife, such as deer and elk, be affected?

- Will timing of vegetative clearing affect wildlife breeding?

EFFECTS TO RECREATION

- How will recreational opportunities (hunting, camping, fishing, driving for pleasure) during and after mining operations be affected?
- Will there be long term visual and short term noise effects on the Currant Wilderness?

EFFECTS TO CULTURAL RESOURCES

- How will cultural sites be affected by the proposed project?
- What, if any, Native American concerns might there be?

EFFECT ON SAFETY

- The access road to the mine site would have a few blind corners, which could be a safety problem. What measures are needed to ensure safe travel of mine and public traffic?

EFFECT TO MINE ECONOMICS

- What effect will the various alternatives and associated mitigation and monitoring have on the economics of the project?

RECLAMATION

- Is there enough topsoil or growth medium to accomplish revegetative goals?
- In salvaging the topsoil for final reclamation, trees would be removed and stockpiled, some of which would be spread over recountoured areas to create microsites for seed to take hold. Is there an opportunity to utilize trees not needed in reclamation for public use?
- The proposed silt source locations are located in or adjacent to local drainages that flow during precipitation events. How would these sites be reclaimed to restore the physical stability and function of the channel?

IV. PRELIMINARY ALTERNATIVES TO BE ANALYZED

NO ACTION: Under this alternative, the proposal by Alta would not be implemented. As stated earlier, the law establishes Alta's right to conduct mining on these lands and the Forest Service's obligation to permit such activities in an environmentally sound manner. Therefore, this is not a viable alternative, but it does establish a baseline by which the other alternatives can be compared.

PROPOSED ACTION: This alternative would allow the Griffon Project to be implemented as described by Alta in their Plan of Operations.

PROPOSED ACTION WITH MITIGATION/MONITORING: Under this alternative, mitigation measures and monitoring developed by Forest Service specialists in consideration of site-specific resources and conditions would be incorporated into the proposal submitted by Alta.

ACCESS ALTERNATIVE A (same as Proposed Action with Mitigation/Monitoring Alternative, but some roads accessing the mine site would be different): Under this alternative, access to the mine site from Highway 6 would be on County Road 10 to the Willow Grove Ranch as in Alta's proposed alternative. But instead of continuing west-northwest along Ellison Creek, the access road would turn north for about 4.5 miles to the junction of Forest Road 640. Access would continue in a westerly direction on Forest Roads 640 and 639, north of Bald Mountain to the main north-south road. Access would then be south toward the Ellison Guard Station and from there take the same roads as proposed in Alta's

alternative to the mine site (reference the Alternate Access Map). All mine related traffic would use these roads to access the mine site.

ACCESS ALTERNATIVE B (same as Proposed Action with Mitigation/Monitoring Alternative, but some roads accessing the mine site would be different): Access to the mine site would be from Highway 50 to the north (see attached Alternate Access Map). Access from Highway 50 would involve traveling south through Jakes Valley to Circle Wash, to Stove Spring, then south toward the Ellison Guard Station. From the Guard Station, access would continue along the same roads as proposed in Alta's proposed action. All mine related traffic would use these roads to access the mine site.

WASTE DUMP ALTERNATIVE A (same as Proposed Action with Mitigation/Monitoring Alternative, except fewer waste dumps would be constructed): This alternative would involve the construction of a single waste dump located south of the east pit (Hammer Ridge Pit): It is labeled "dump 3" on the attached Project Area Map (Note: A single waste dump at this location would require a larger area than is shown to accommodate waste that would otherwise be at dumps 1 and 2).

WASTE DUMP ALTERNATIVE B (same as Proposed Action with Mitigation/Monitoring Alternative, except fewer waste dumps would be constructed): Under this alternative, 2 waste dumps would be constructed. One would be located at the same location as in Waste Dump Alternative A and another located south of the intersection of the haul roads leading to both pits, labeled "dump 2" on the attached Project Area Map (Note: Waste dumps at these locations would take up slightly more area than is shown to accommodate waste that would otherwise be at waste dump 1).

REDUCED DISTURBANCE ALTERNATIVE (same as Proposed Action with Mitigation/Monitoring Alternative, except as noted below): Alta has proposed in their Plan of Operations that both pits be mined simultaneously. This limits the ability to backfill one of the pits. Under the Reduced Disturbance Alternative, only one pit would be mined at a time. Mining one pit at a time would allow backfilling of the first pit with waste from the second and reduce the amount of ground disturbance needed for waste dumps.

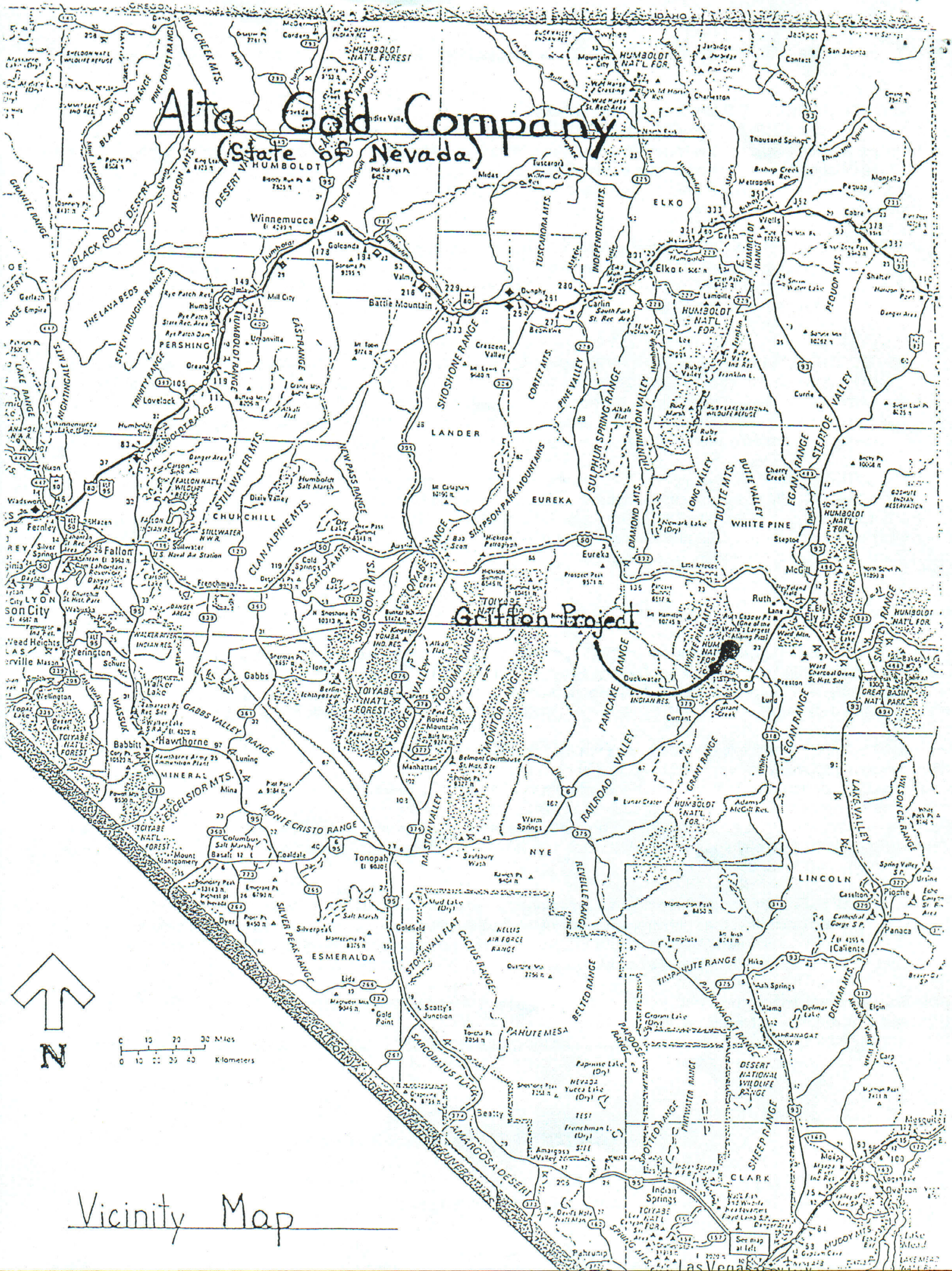
V. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Public participation is important during the scoping process. As part of the scoping process, the Forest Service will be seeking information and comments from Federal, State, County and local agencies and other individuals or organizations who may be interested in or affected by the proposed actions. This input will be used in the preparation of the draft/final environmental documents.

The Forest Service Interdisciplinary Team has identified preliminary issues and alternatives for the project. To assist us in this environmental analysis, we would like to hear what additional issues and/or alternatives you believe should be considered. To be most helpful, all comments should be received by this office no later than May 31, 1996. Written comments are prefered. If you wish to not comment at this time but would like to receive the draft/final Environmental Impact Statement and/or final decision document, so note on the attached comment request form and send to this office. Note there will be at least a 45 day comment period when you will have an opportunity to comment on the draft Environmental Impact Statement prior to the final decision.

Pursuant to 7 CFR, Part 1, Subpart B, Section 1.27, all written submissions in response to this notice will be made available for public inspection including the submitter's name, unless the submitter specifically requests confidentiality. Anonymous comments will not be accepted. All written submissions from business entities and organizations, submitted on official letterhead, in response to this notice will be made available for public inspection in their entirety.

ADDRESSES: Send written comments to: Monica J. Schwalbach, Assistant Forest Supervisor, Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forests, PO Box 539, Ely, Nevada 89301.
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Direct questions about the proposed project and preparation of the EIS to David Valenzuela, Project Team Leader, at the same address, Telephone: 702-289-3031.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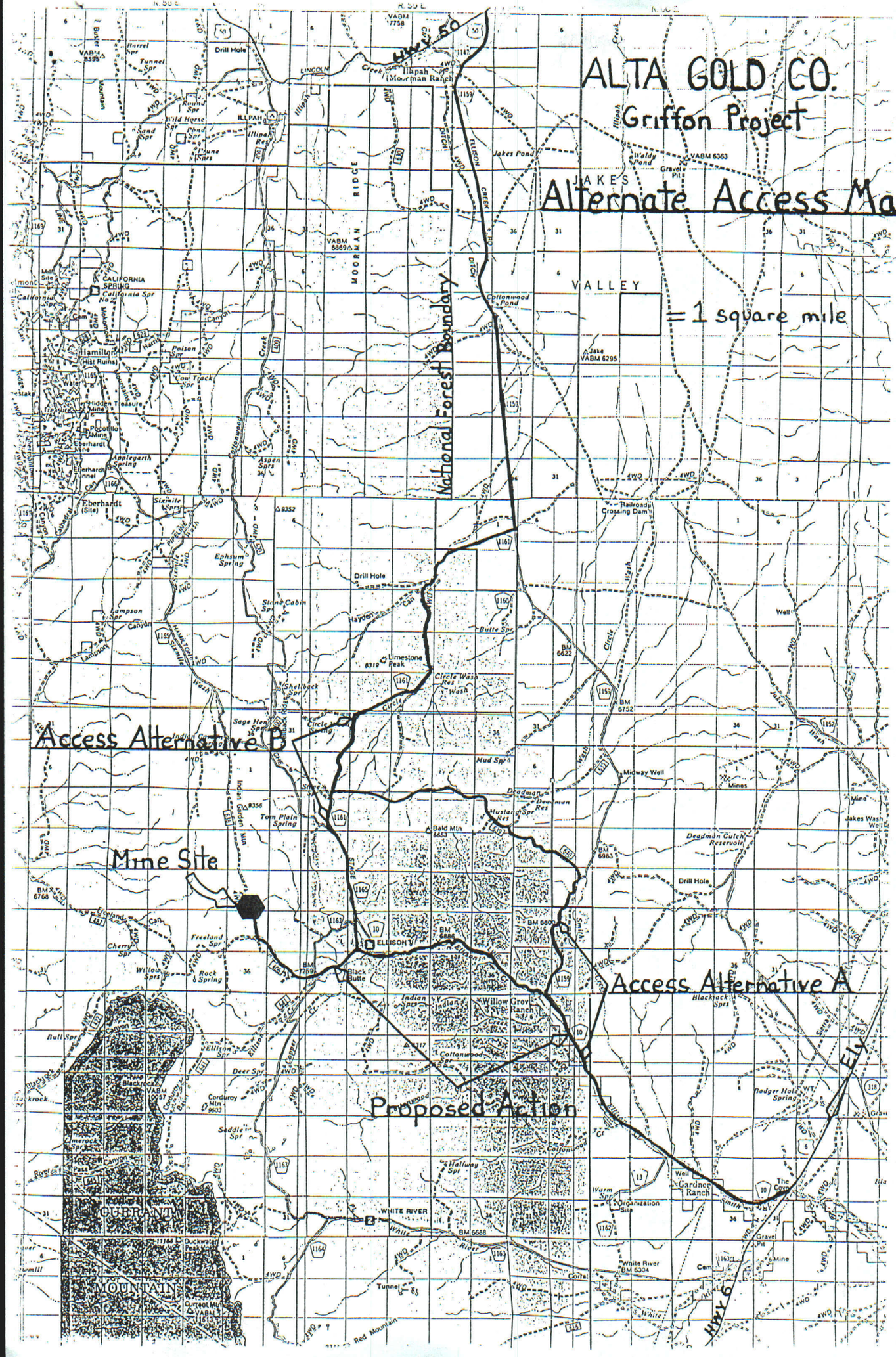
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Alternate Access Map
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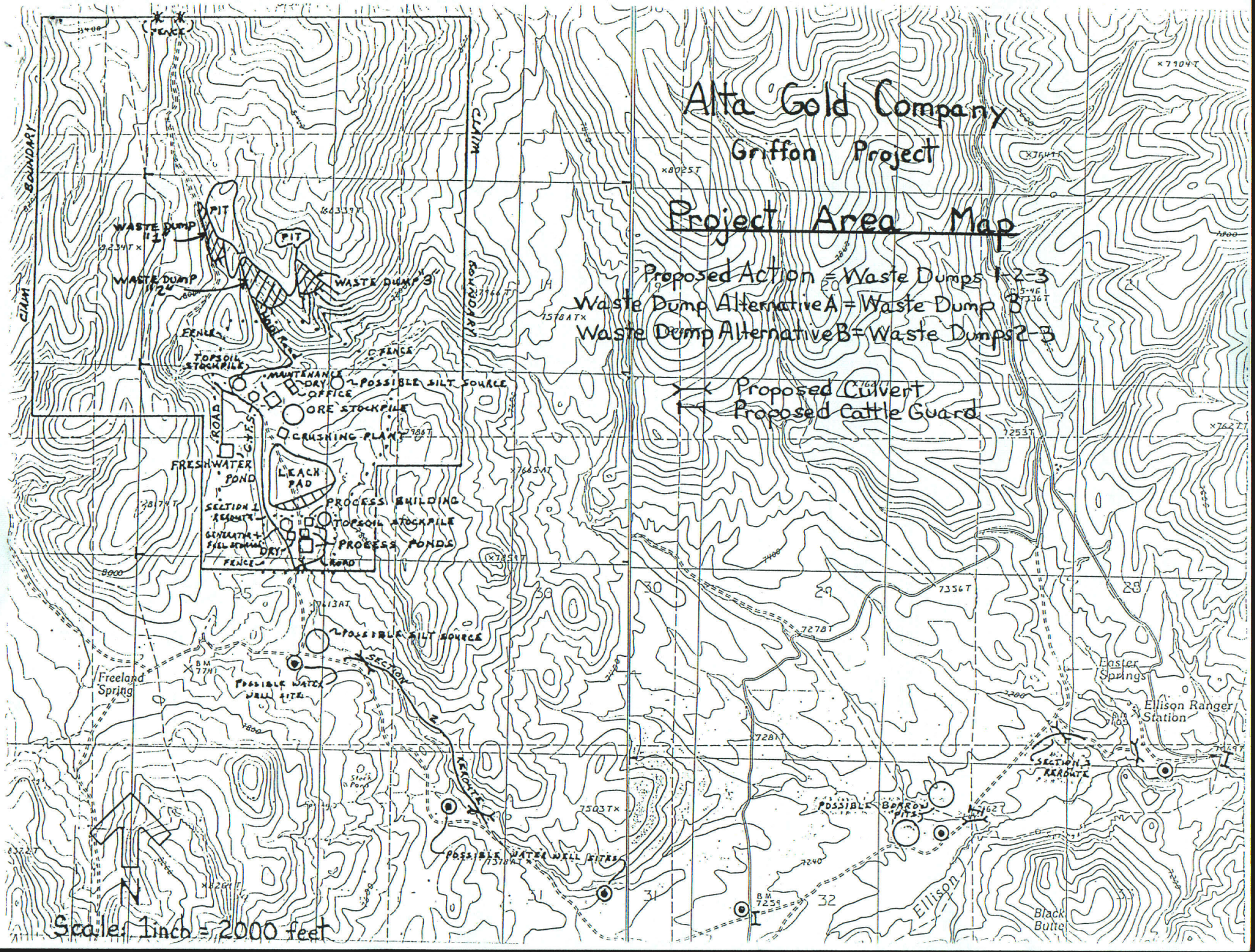
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Project Area Map
Proposed Action = Waste Dumps 1-2-3
Waste Dump Alternative A = Waste Dump 3
Waste Dump Alternative B = Waste Dumps 2-3
Proposed Culvert
Proposed Cattle Guard
WASTE DUMP #1
WASTE DUMP #2
WASTE DUMP #3
PIT
PIT
FENCE
CLAIM BOUNDARY
CLAIM BOUNDARY
TOPSOIL STOCKPILE
MAINTENANCE
DRY
OFFICE
POSSIBLE SILT SOURCE
ORE STOCKPILE
CRUSHING PLANT
ROAD
FRESHWATER POND
LEACH PAD
PROCESS BUILDING
TOPSOIL STOCKPILE
PROCESS PONDS
SECTION 1 REROUTE
GENERATOR + FUEL STORAGE
DRY
ROAD
FENCE
POSSIBLE SILT SOURCE
SECTION 2 REROUTE
Freeland Spring
BM 7711
POSSIBLE WATER WELL SITES
Stock Pond
POSSIBLE WATER WELL SITES
POSSIBLE BORROW PITS
BM 7259
Easter Springs
Ellison Ranger Station
SECTION 3 REROUTE
Ellison
Black Butte
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Scale: 1inch = 2000 feet

Dear Interested Public:

We have provided this page to assist you in replying to the Griffon Project scoping document. You do NOT have to use this space for your comments. If you would like to continue receiving information on this project, please respond back to us expressing your interest. This will help us by saving the cost of mailing and publication.

Comments:

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