

Mining District: COMO (Palmvra, Indian Springs)
(Gold, Silver)

T. 15 N., R. 22 E.
Lyon County, Nevada
USGS Como 15-min. quadrangle (1957), Dayton 15-min.
quadrangle (1956)

GENERAL BACKGROUND

The Como area is located in the northern Pine Nut Mountains, about 10 miles southeast of Dayton. The district was first organized in the 1880's. Sporadic mining and exploration ensued, but little precious metals production resulted. Interest in the area was revived in the early 1900's. Considerable development work and exploration was accomplished between 1900 and 1940. Although the district is credited with over \$511,000 in gold and silver production, most of the mines had a net operating loss. The area is now inactive.

GEOLOGICAL AND TECHNICAL DATA

Mineralization in the Como area occurs along east-trending quartz veins that cut Tertiary andesites. Ores contained free gold, silver chlorides, and traces of copper. Quartz is the principal gangue mineral.

Past production was derived from surface and near-surface ores. In the deepest workings, about 300 feet, ore values are spotty. In some of the mines clay has entirely replaced the quartz vein at depth. Ore values in the 1920-30's ranged from \$4-9 per ton.

POTENTIAL FOR DEVELOPMENT

Past mining activities in the area will attract future prospectors. However, low ore values and sporadic occurrences of mineralization at depth suggests the future metals production for the Como district is unlikely.

COMPANIES AND CLAIMANTS ACTIVE IN AREA

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| 1. AJAX Group | 2. PINENUT KING Group | 3. DIXIE LEE Group |
| F. E. Ruby | H. H. Webb | W. Hillman, et.al. |
| 1349 N. Virginia | P. O. Box 1401 | 1701 Vernier |
| Reno, Nev. | Reno, Nev. | Concord, Calif. |
| July 1951 | Sept. 1964 | 1958-59 |
| (2 lode claims) | (10 lode claims) | (3 lode claims) |

SELECTED REFERENCES

1. Moore: Geology and Minerals Deposits of Lyon, Douglas, and Ormsby Counties, Nevada; Nev. Bur. Mines Bull. 75, 1969.
(Includes geologic map of area)

Bennett, June 1973

2. Stoddard and Carpenter: Mineral Resources of Storey and Lyon Counties,
Nevada; Univ. Nev. Bull. 1, 1950

FIELD EXAMINATION

Bennett, June 1973

Bennett, June 1973



Taken from:

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of the
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Carson City District
Nevada and California

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R. E. Bennett
1973

see Douglas County - general

*Item 15
for preface & general
background information*
