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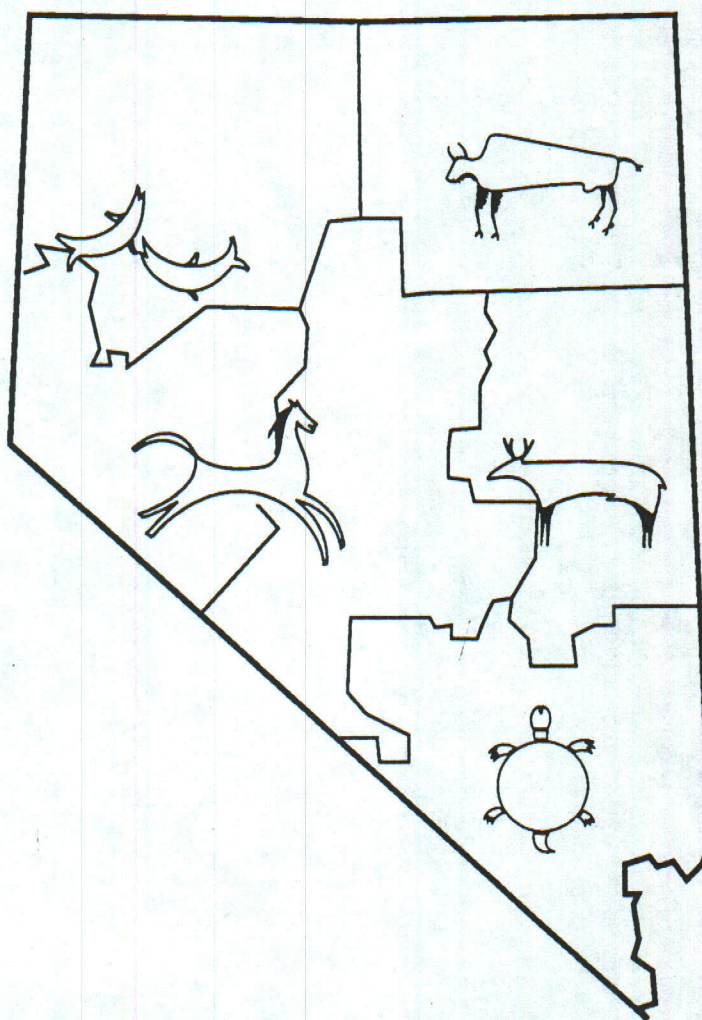
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SUMMARY

**NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT
LAND USE PLANNING**



NV - 060 Battle Mountain District

SUMMARY

Resource Management Plans in Progress: **One**
Resource Management Plan Amendments Completed: **One**
Environmental Impact Statements in Progress: **Four**
Environmental Impact Statements Completed: **Two**

Resource Management Plan
Tonopah Resource Management Plan

Plan Amendment

Lahontan/Walker/Shoshone-Eureka Resource Management Plans Central
Nevada Communication Sites Plan Amendment

Environmental Impact Statement

Homestake Ruby Hill Project
Battle Mountain Gold Phoenix Project
Cortez Pipeline Gold Deposit
Santa Fe Pacific Mule Canyon Mine
Cortez South Pipeline Project
Trenton Canyon Project

Major Federal Action

Mine Plan of Operation
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Battle Mountain District

Document Name: **Homestake Ruby Hill Project**

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Draft: X Final: X ROD: _____

Lead Agency: Bureau of Land Management

Cooperating Agencies: Eureka County;
Nevada Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Division of Wildlife;
Nevada State Historic Preservation Office;
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Project Coordinators: Christopher J. Stubbs, Battle Mountain District 702-635-4000
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NEPA Contractor: ENSR Consulting.

Project Description: Homestake Mining Company has proposed to construct a new mine approximately one mile northwest of the town of Eureka, Nevada. Year-round mining from an open pit and leaching would disturb approximately 800 acres of public land.

Major Issues: Major issues are socio-economic values, noise and blasting vibrations, air quality, visual resources, and wildlife. Minor controversy to date.

Interested Publics: Eureka County, Nevada Division of Wildlife, State Historic Preservation Office.

Federal Register Citations: Notice of Intent to Prepare an EIS, Vol. 60, No. 134, July 13, 1995, page 36156. Notice of Availability of Draft EIS, Vol 61, No. 160, Aug. 16, 1996, page 42608.

Schedule: The BLM and cooperating agencies are currently reviewing the Preliminary Final EIS. The Final EIS will be issued to the public in early January 1997, with an expected Record of Decision and Plan of Operations Approval in February 1997.