

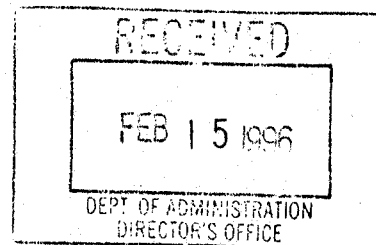


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Planning Division
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Carson City, NV 89710



Dear Sir/Madam:

The Humboldt National Forest, Mountain City Ranger District is inviting public comment on a mineral exploration project proposed by Aur Resources (USA) Inc. This proposal is a continuation of exploration activities in the area. The project is located approximately four miles north east of Wild Horse Reservoir in the Coleman and Hammond drainages. The following is the legal location and description of the proposed project.

Supplement #7 to Plan of Operations (POO) #695558-94. Legal description - Sections 1, 2, 11, 12, & 13, T.44N, R.55E, Mount Diablo Meridian. Aur Resources has proposed the construction of up to 14 miles of trench, 1.8 miles of temporary exploration road and the drilling of 53 holes. The total disturbance will be approximately 25 acres located on both National Forest system and private lands.

Based on our experience with previous projects of this nature, our initial concerns for this proposed project include:

1. The effects on riparian areas and water quality and quantity.
2. Impacts on wildlife species and habitat.
3. Impacts on threatened, endangered and sensitive plant species.
4. Productive use of reclaimed land.
5. Impacts to other National Forest System land users including, but not limited to livestock permittees and recreationists.
6. Impacts to cultural resources.

Your written comments, concerns and suggestions should be sent to the Mountain City District Office, Attn: Katrina Leavitt, P.O. Box 276, Mountain City, NV 89831 by March 20.

If you have any questions, please contact Katrina at (702) 763-6691.

Sincerely,

Katrina Leavitt

for
SCOTT W. BELL
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