

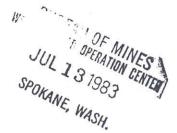


Bear Creek Mining Company

Tucson Office

Exploration Division of Kennecott Corporation

July 11, 1983



U. S. Bureau of Mines Mr. Jack Satkowsky E. 360 3rd Ave. Spokane, WA 99202

Dear Jack:

Enclosed is information referring to Kennecott's Black Wassuk evaluation. After our discussion, I doubt whether any of this will assist you in your evaluation of the adjacent reservation land. At any rate, please discuss it with Gary or myself if you decide to use any of this data in press or release it to public information. Also, please return the data to Tucson when you are finished.

If you return to the area and wish to examine the Rawhide area, please contact us and we can coordinate a tour.

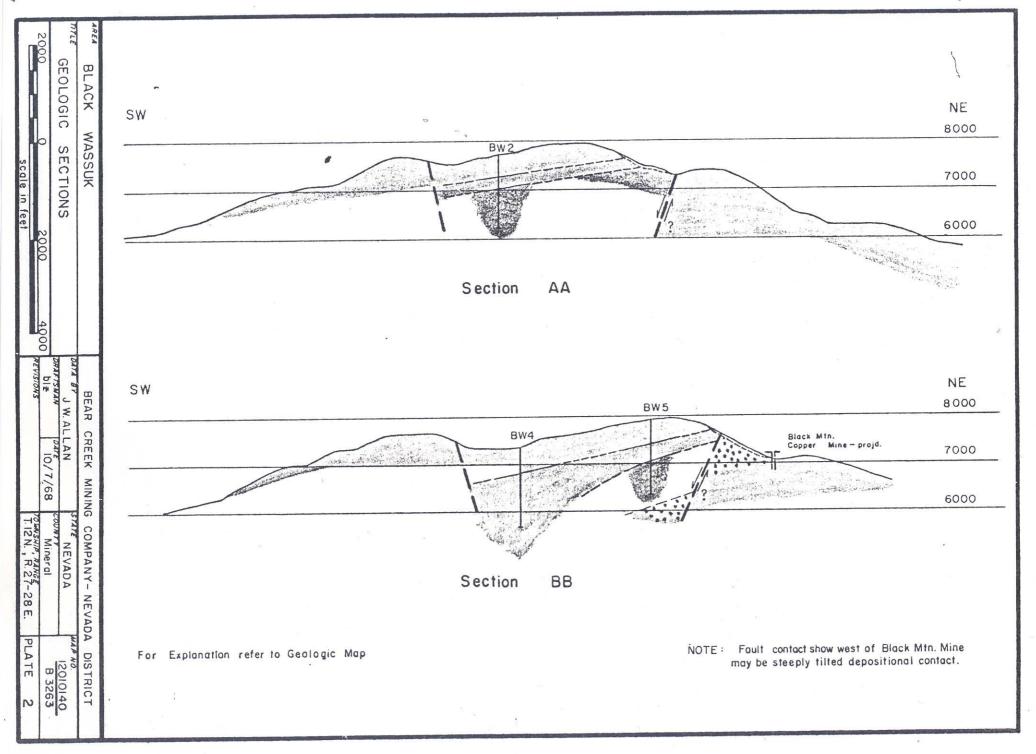
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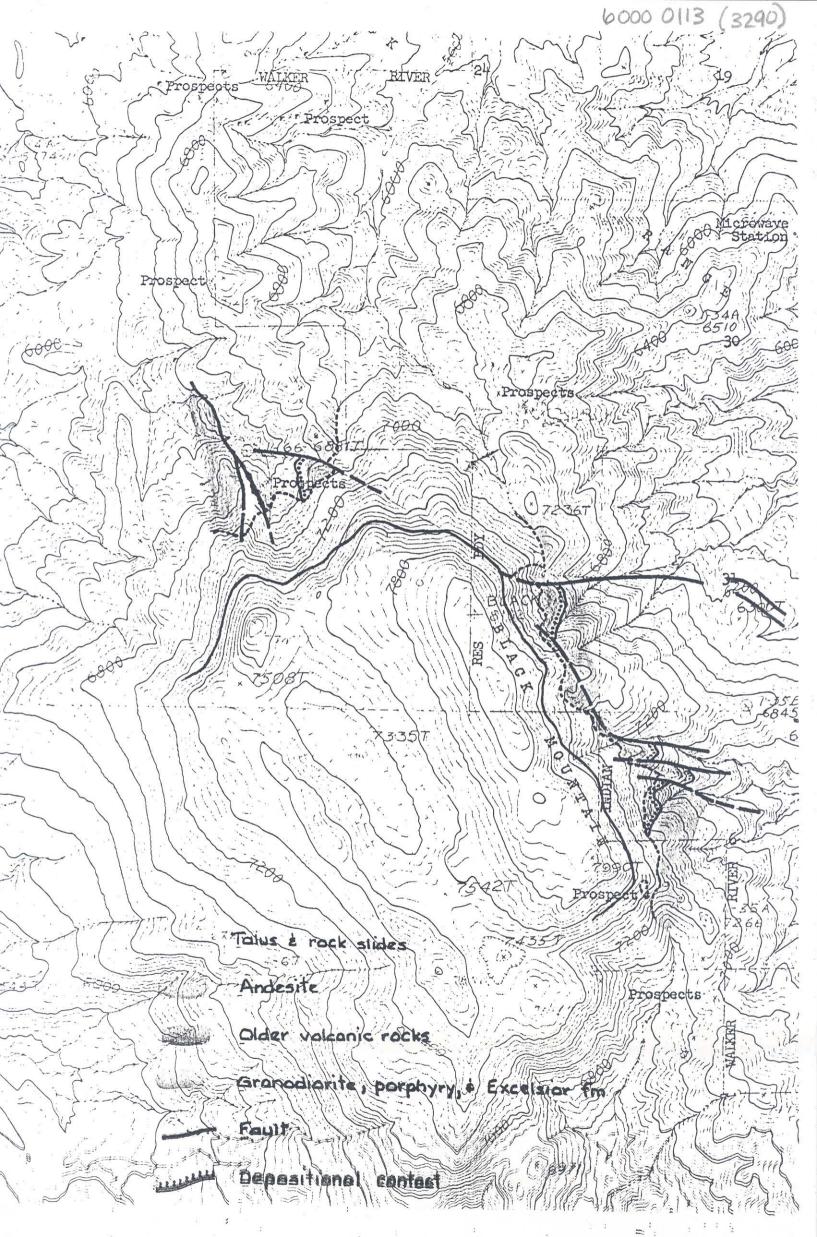
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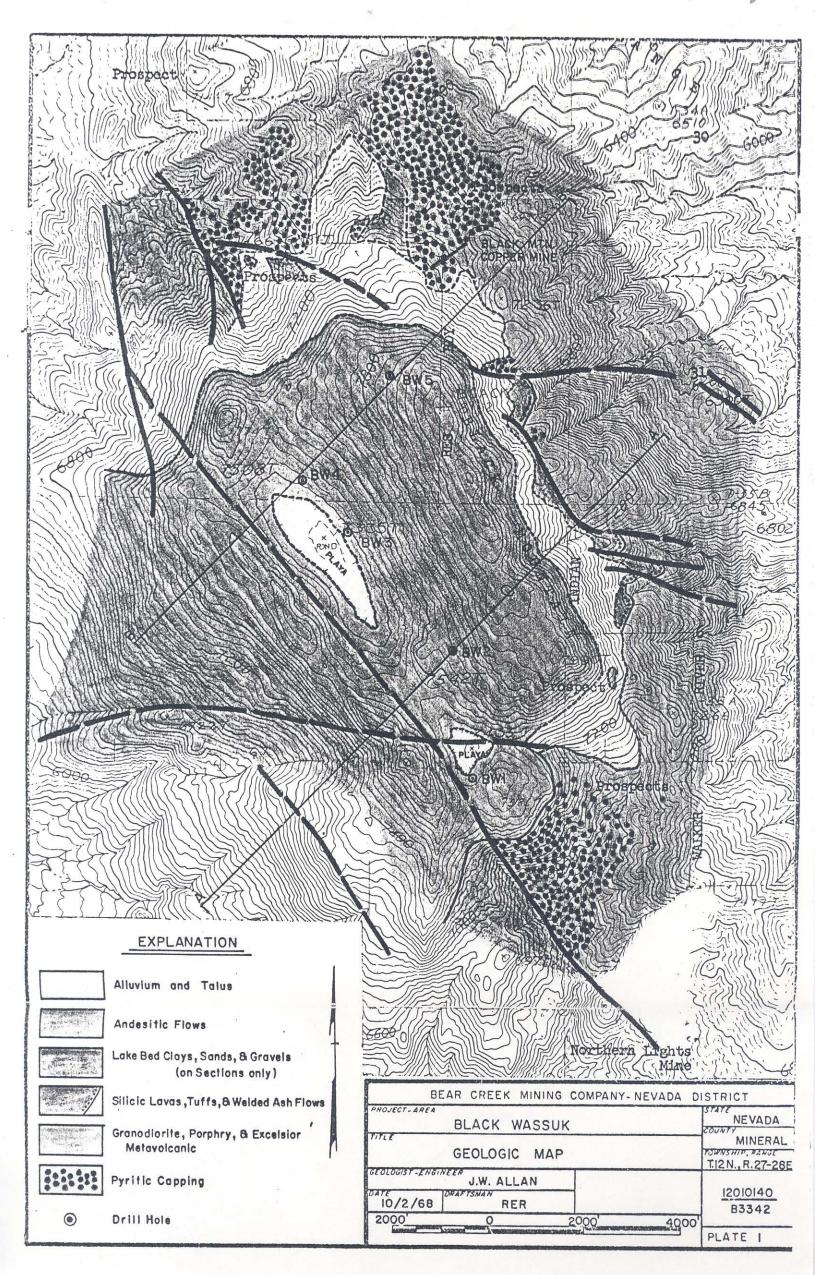
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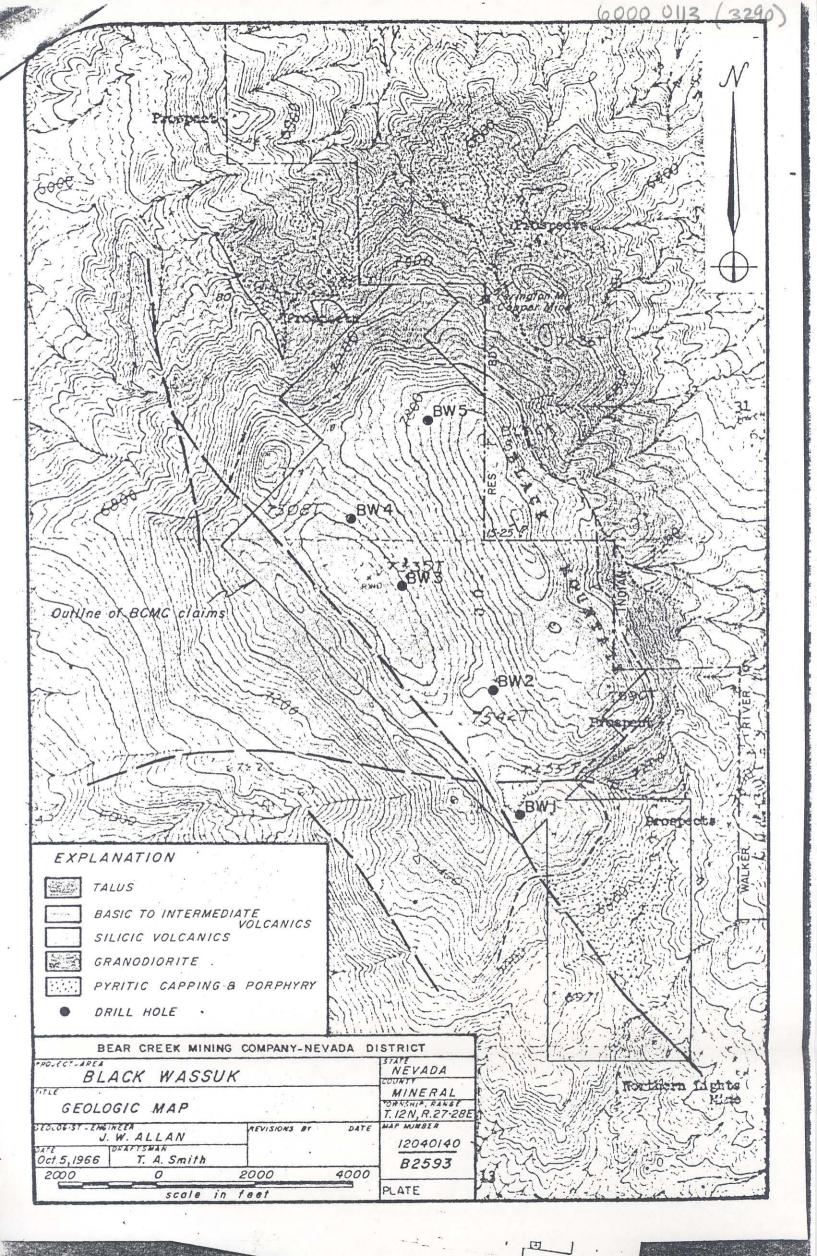
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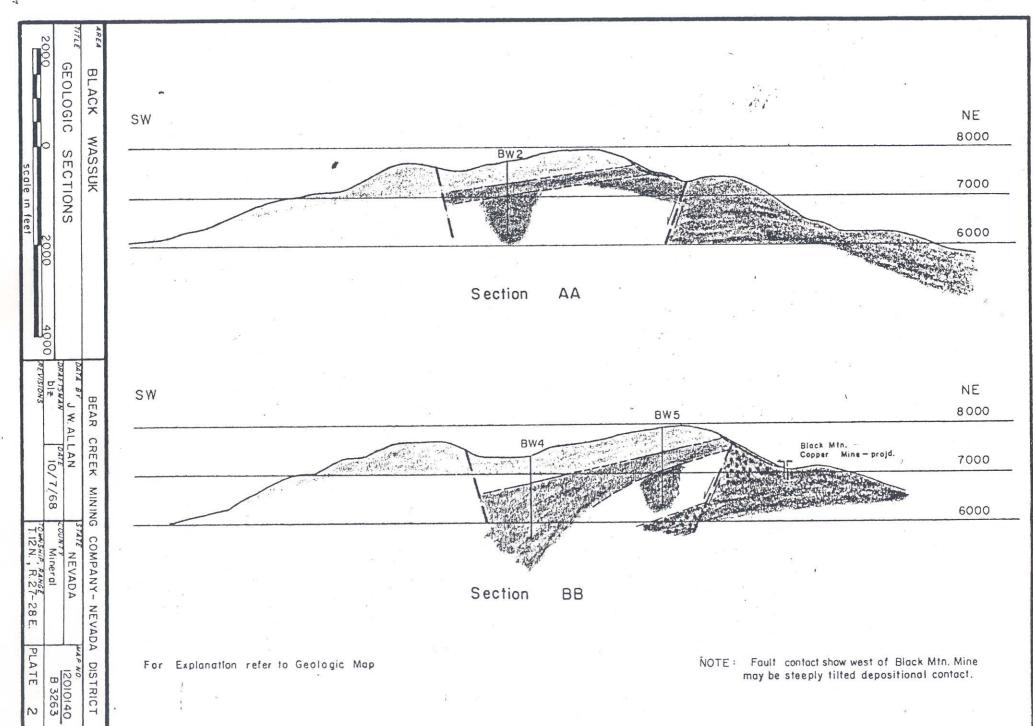


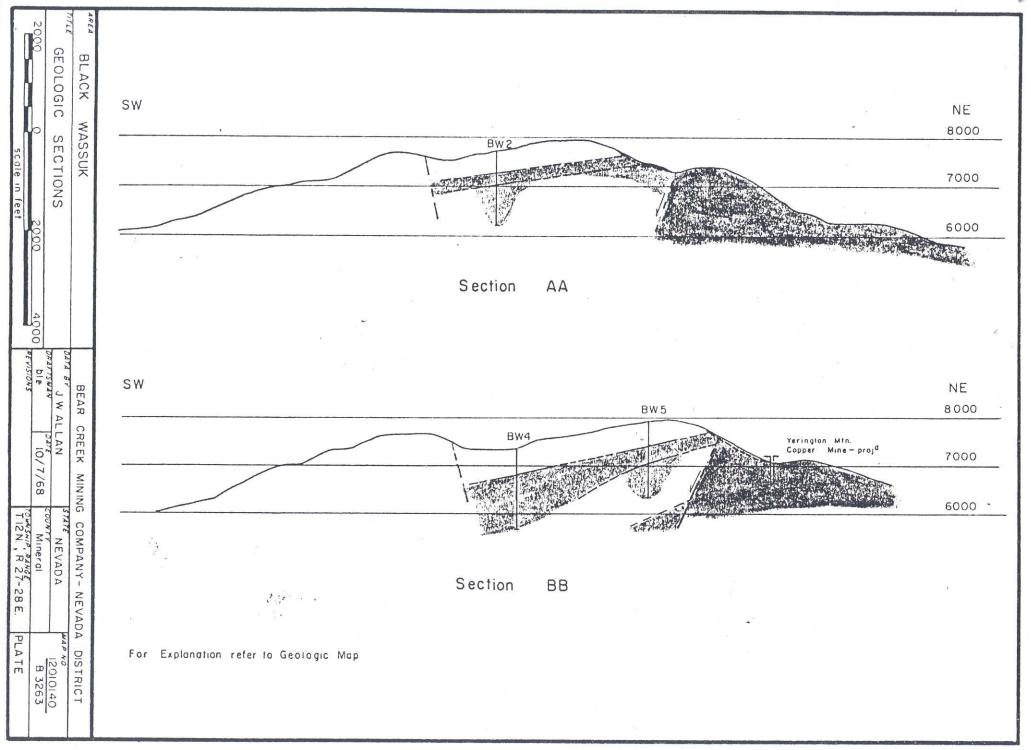


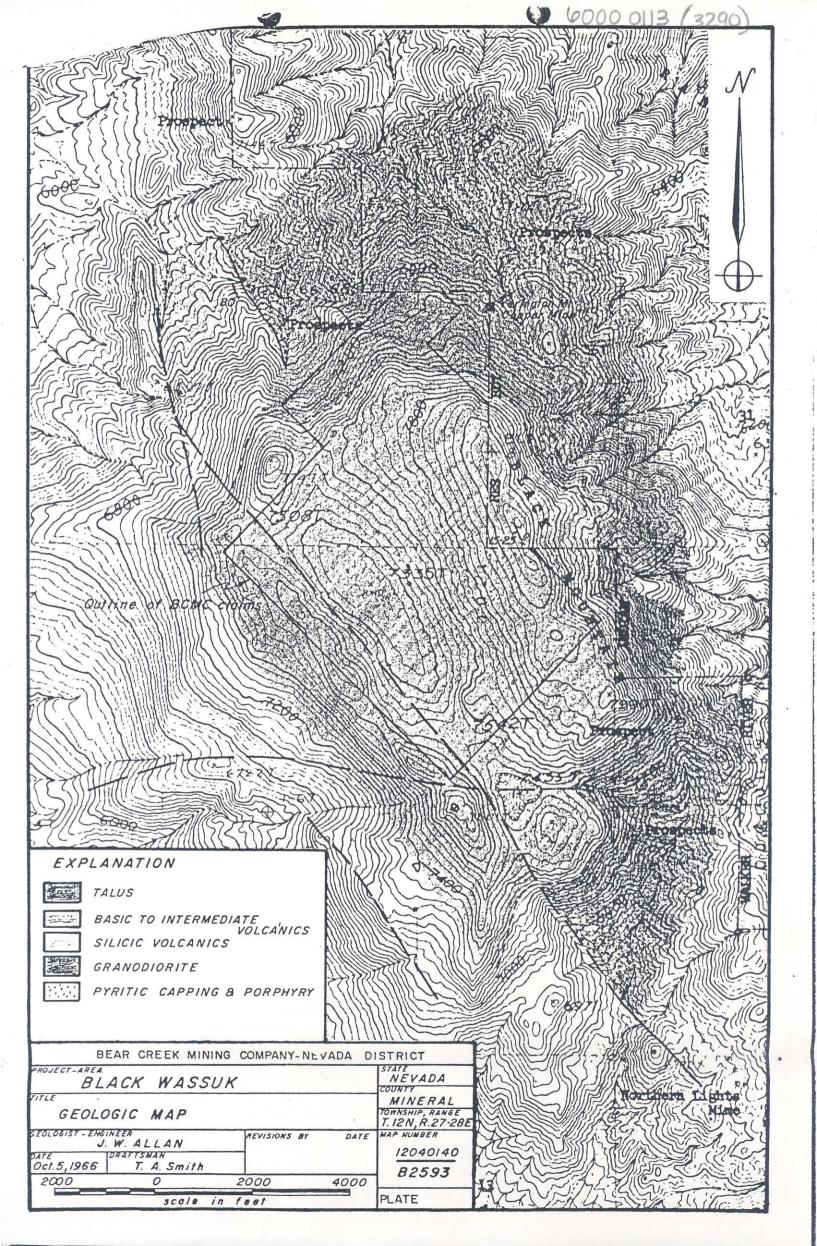


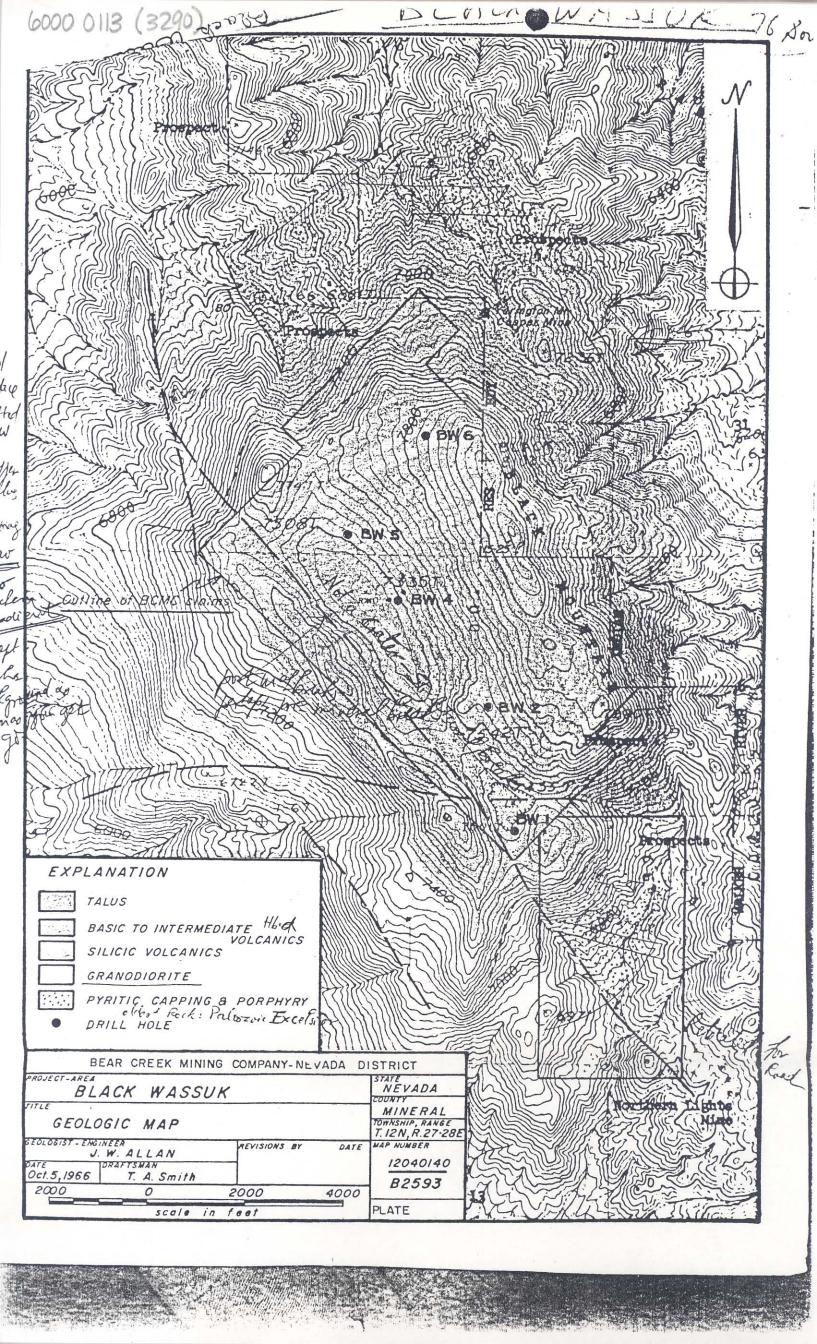
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T. A. Netelbeek

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MEMORANDUM

TO:

T. A. Netelbeek

FROM:

J. W. Allan

SUBJECT: Capping at Black Wassuk (Dictated but not read)

DATE:

October 11, 1966

LIMONITE MINERALOGY

The capping is dominantly jarositic with minor amounts of goethite. Along fracture planes the limonite is consistently strongly jarositic; whereas many of the disseminated grains yield casts of darker limonite which may contain some hematite. Estimated sulfide content probably range between three and five percent.

ROCK ALTERATION

Mineralization at Black Wassuk occurs mainly in two rock types of granodiorite and granodiorite? porphyry. The most intense alteration appears to be of the quartz-sericite type. The weaker alteration in granodiorite near the fringes of the mineralization consist mainly of chloritization of ferromagnesium minerals.

GEOCHEMISTRY

About 30 samples taken at widely scattered sites show the capping to contain from about $5-130~\rm ppm$ copper with the average a little less than 20 ppm copper. Oxidized copper minerals are scarce.

CONCLUSION

The capping at Black Wassuk appears definitely derived from strong pyritic mineralization with very small amounts of copper sulfide. All of the exposures visible for examination are several hundred feet below the base of the post-mineral volcanics and geomorphologic relations suggest an exposed mineralization has been rapidly oxidized and eroded.

Pyrite is visible in many outcrops. Characteristics of the capping indicate it has undergone only one cycle of oxidation and enrichment. Much of the ore mined at the Yerington Mountain copper mine was supergene chalcocite but was confined to a relatively narrow shear zone.

Vames W. Allan

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THIS IS BOM SALT LAKE 10/7/66 4:50 PM

TO - T.A.NETELBEEK FROM - P.A.BAILLY

RE BLACK WASSUK, NEVADA

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FROM:

D. W. Maltzahn

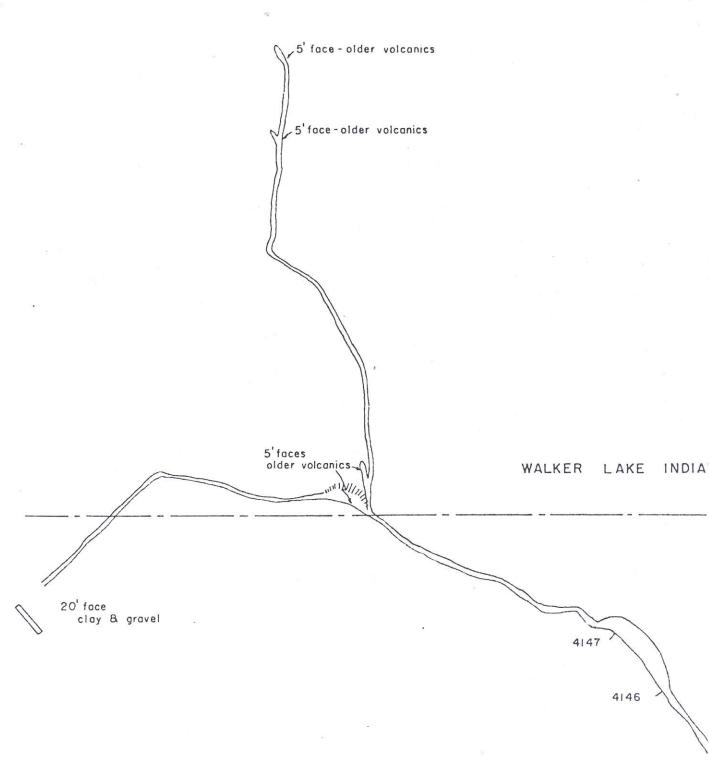
SUBJECT: Black Mountain Copper Prospect, Mineral County, Nevada

The subject property is located in Section 24, Tl3N, R28E, 21 miles southeast of Yerington, Nevada.

In this area a large mass of diorite, on the east, is in contact with tuffaceous extrusive rocks and mesozoic limestones, on the west. A deep canyon on the contact of the diorite and intruded tuffs and limestones exposes an altered and mineralized zone 2000' to 3000' long. The width of the zone is unknown as post mineral basalts occur a few hundred feet west of the contact. The mineralization and alteration is predominately in the tuffs? and limestones; however, the diorite is somewhat mineralized and contains much epidote. Approximately 4000' of old mine workings on a shear zone perpendicular (N45°E) to the contact indicate that the alteration and mineralization continue to the west under the basalt. The mine workings penetrate the sulfide zone and assays showed this material to be highly pyritized but only containing 0.03% copper. However, the obvious large extent of alteration and mineralization in at least one direction coupled with the presence of post mineral cover to the west and the apparent metamorphism and mineralization of the only intrusive in evidence raises the question of what could be covered by the post mineral basalts a la Safford. Therefore, it is recommended that a reconnaissance mapping program be initiated in an attempt to ascertain the potentialities of this area.

San Francisco, California December 27, 1957

D. W. Maltzahn



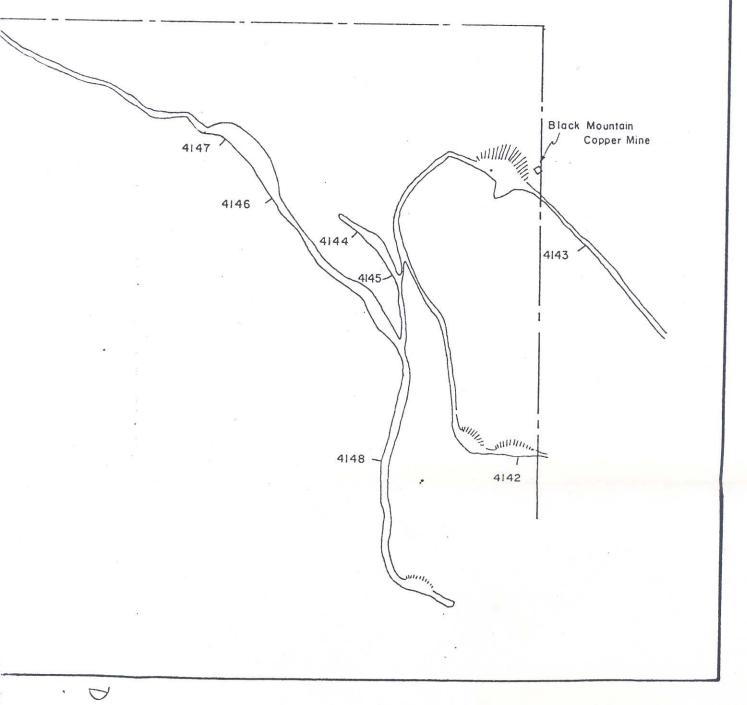
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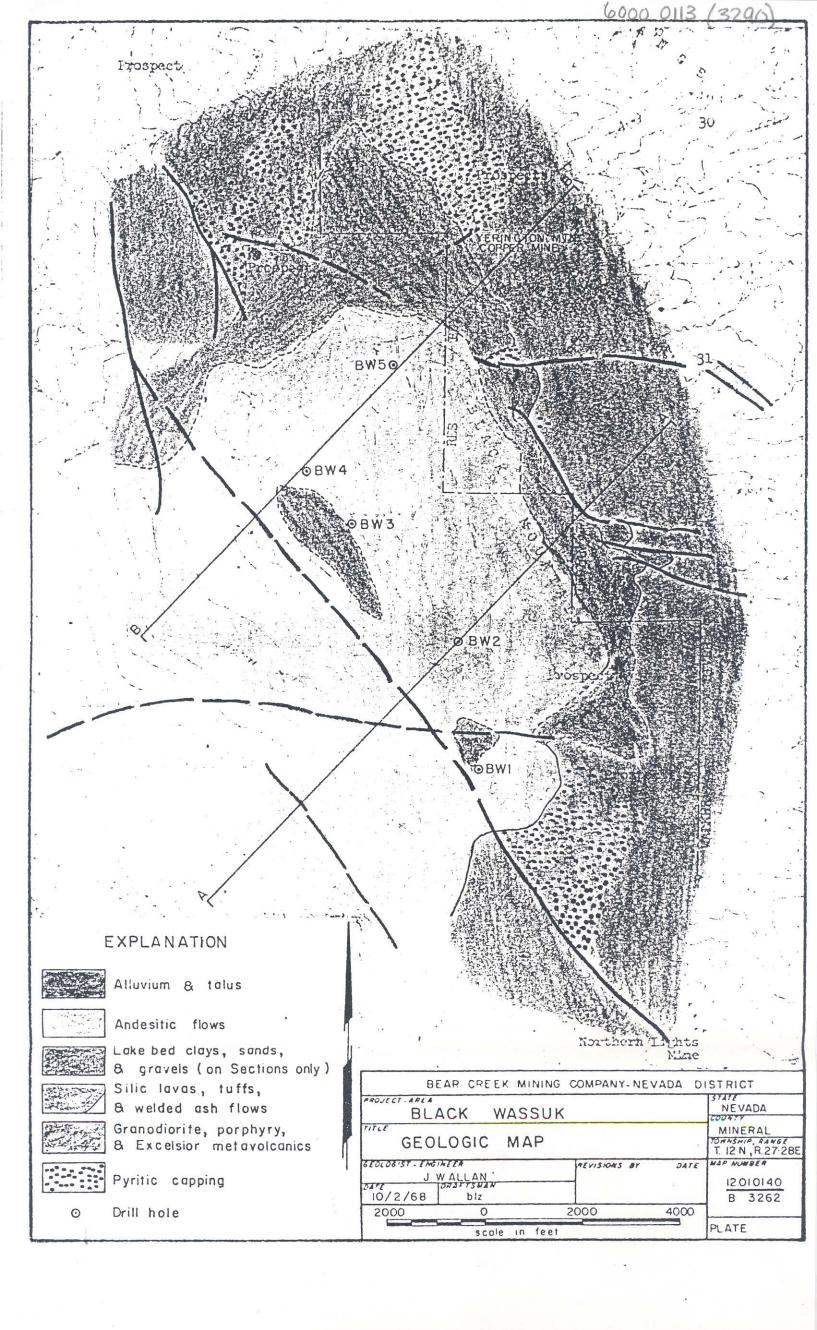
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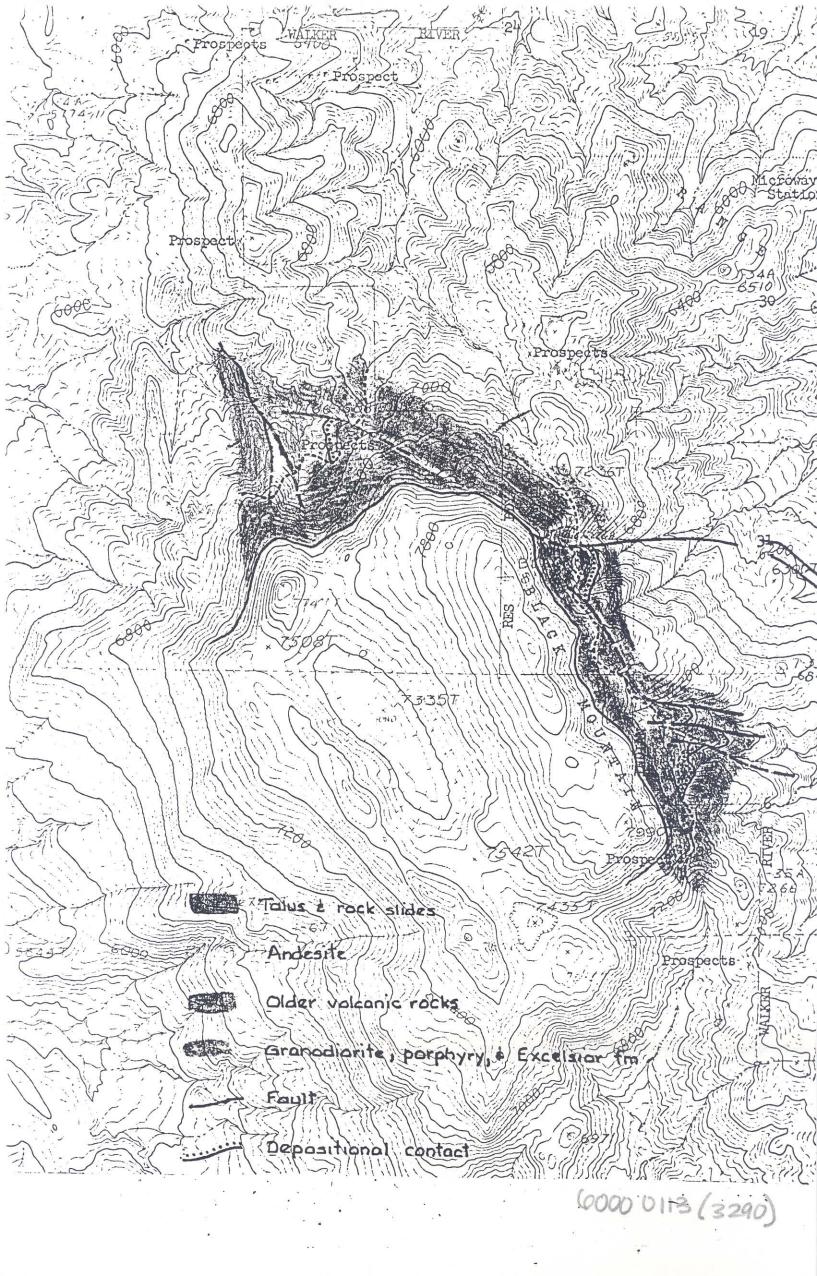
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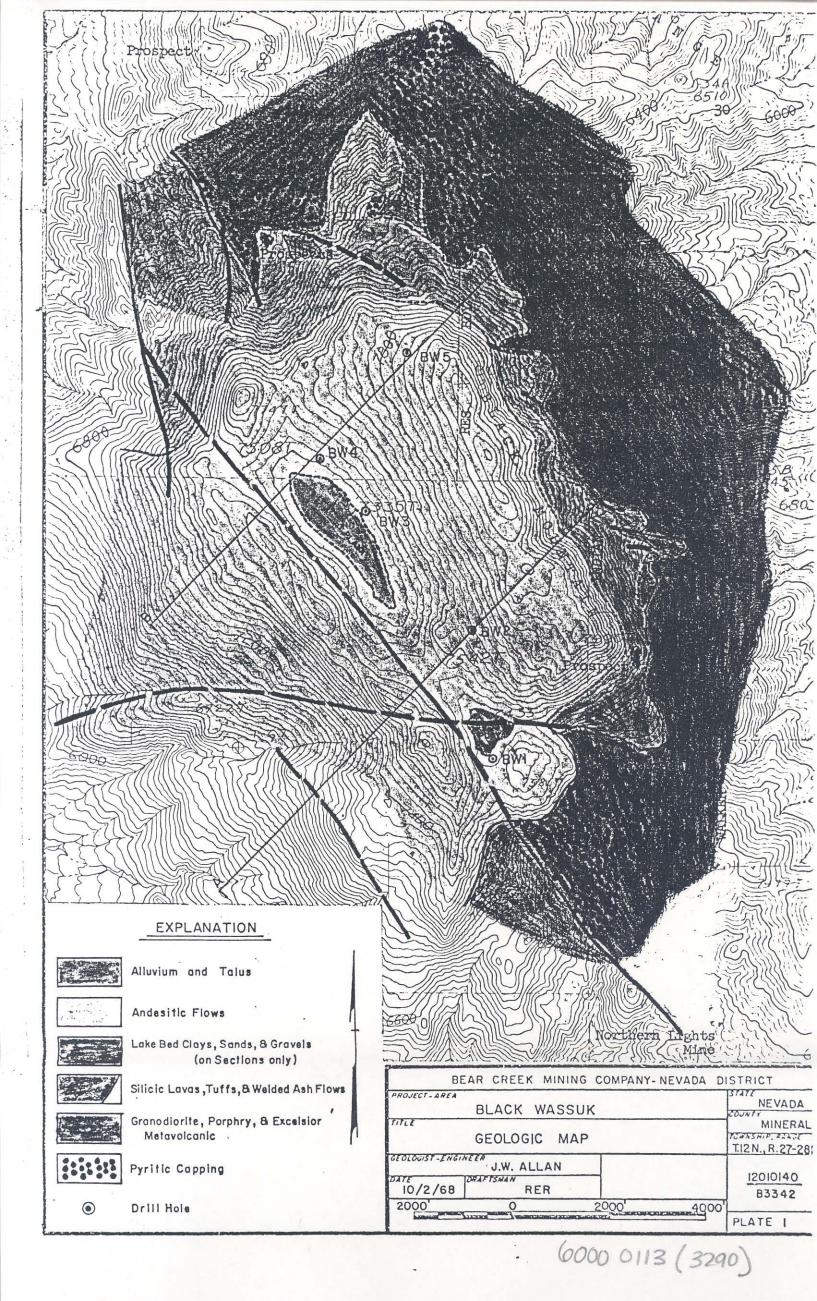
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MEMORANDUM

TO:

T. A. Netelbeek

FROM:

M. Forth

SUBJECT:

Monthly Report, October 1968 - Black Wassuk (12040140)

DATE:

October 31, 1968

Trenching Program:

Five and one-half days were spent by contractor R. Horn trenching at the north end of the prospect, in the vicinity of the Black Mountain Copper mine. Cuts were made in order to obtain exposures of the leached capping beneath the colluvium which veneers much of the north slope of Black Mountain.

Seven samples of the leached capping were collected from cuts. Geochemical data from these samples will be used to determine if further drilling is advisable. A pace and brunton map of the trenchings and sample locations is attached.

Claims:

Jet claims 1-3 expired on October 8 and were re-claimed the following day.

Top claims 101-112 expired on October 10 and were re-claimed on October 11.

Michael For

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Attachment

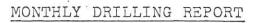
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BEAR CREEK MINING COMPANY NEVADA DISTRICT

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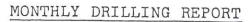
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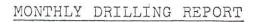
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Kennecott Copper Corporation

Exploration Services

February 17, 1967

Geologic Research Division

MINERALOGICAL AND PETROGRAPHIC SERVICE REPORT

Requested by: Jim Allen

Area: Black Wassuk, Nevada

Conclusion

These drill cuttings are contaminated with metallic zinc and represent an unaltered and probably unmineralized rock consisting of quartz and feldspar.

The sample consists of <u>mud cleaned from the tip of the last rotary bit obtained from 505 feet in drill hole 5</u>, shortly before the hole was lost. An X-ray pattern of the material shows peaks for quartz, plagioclase, orthoclase, and much smaller amounts of mica, hornblende, and a montmorillonite-group mineral, which may possibly be a constituent of drilling mud. The lack of kaolinite, the small amount of mica, and the abundant plagioclase indicate that this is not an altered <u>rock</u>.

The cuttings contain 4,600 ppm Zn, 140 ppm Cu, 55 ppm Pb, and 16 ppm Mo. A heavy liquid concentrate comprising 5-10% of this sample contains about 15% Zn, 15% Fe, 0.1% Cu, 200 ppm Ni, 200 ppm Cr, 100 ppm Sn, 60 ppm W, 60 ppm Mo, and 50 ppm Cd. X-ray data on the heavy liquid concentrate indicate the zinc compound is metallic zinc, and the probable iron compound is maghemite. Because the zinc is present as a contaminant, the other anomalous geochemistry is also suspect.

JCW:cn

cc: T. A. Netelbeek

P. A. Bailly V

T. W. Mitcham

John C. Wilson

good try!

Julie 2.20.67

000 0113 (3290) TELEPHONE: 702-329-0683

Bear Creek Mining Company

Nevada District

3075 MILL STREET RENO, NEVADA 89502

October 11, 1966

Mr. Paul A. Bailly, President Bear Creek Mining Company 1826 Kennecott Building 10 East South Temple Salt Lake City, Utah 84111

Re: Black Wassuk, Nevada

Dear Paul:

In response to your TWX of Oct. 7, I enclose requested information on limonite mineralogy, alteration, and geochemistry of the leached capping at the north end of the area, by Jim Allan.

Yours sincerely,

T. A. Netelbeek

TAN:jd

Encl.

CIN. Burgoso 10-12-66

MEMORANDUM

TO:

T. A. Netelbeek

FROM:

J. W. Allan

SUBJECT: Capping at Black Wassuk (Dictated but not read)

DATE:

October 11, 1966

LIMONITE MINERALOGY

The capping is dominantly jarositic with minor amounts of goethite. Along fracture planes the limonite is consistently strongly jarositic; whereas many of the disseminated grains yield casts of darker limonite which may contain some hematite. Estimated sulfide content probably range between three and five percent.

ROCK ALTERATION

Mineralization at Black Wassuk occurs mainly in two rock types of granodiorite and granodiorite? porphyry. The most intense alteration appears to be of the quartz-sericite type. The weaker alteration in granodiorite near the fringes of the mineralization consist mainly of chloritization of ferromagnesium minerals.

GEOCHEMISTRY

About 30 samples taken at widely scattered sites show the capping to contain from about 5 - 130 ppm copper with the average a little less than 20 ppm copper. Oxidized copper minerals are scarce.

CONCLUSION

The capping at Black Wassuk appears definitely derived from strong pyritic mineralization with very small amounts of copper sulfide. All of the exposures visible for examination are several hundred feet below the base of the post-mineral volcanics and geomorphologic relations suggest an exposed mineralization has been rapidly oxidized and eroded.

Pyrite is visible in many outcrops. Characteristics of the capping indicate it has undergone only one cycle of oxidation and enrichment. Much of the ore mined at the Yerington Mountain copper mine was supergene chalcocite but was confined to a relatively narrow shear zone.

James W. Allan CyJO

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Bear Creek Mining Company

Nevada District

3075 MILL STREET RENO, NEVADA 89502

December 8, 1966

TELEPHONE: 702-329.0683

Mr. Paul A. Bailly, President Bear Creek Mining Company 1826 Kennecott Building 10 East South Temple Salt Lake City, Utah 84111

Re: Black Wassuk Examination - Supplemental Funds

Dear Paul:



As requested by you on the telephone December 6th, I submit the costs expected to carry on the drilling at Black Wassuk through yearend and herewith request that these be appropriated:

Temporary Salaries: L.J. Carrica Travel: B.E. Bailey & L.J. Carrica Claim recordation Dozer work to keep access to drillsites from snow	open	\$ 250.00 350.00 100.00 900.00
Drilling, moving rig, etc 26 days at Bits at estimated average - \$65/day	\$200/day	,200.00
	Total	500.00

It has been arranged with Boyles Bros. Drilling Co. that all possible efforts will be made to keep drilling till year-end. The weather conditions will decide how successful our efforts will be, measured in footage. If money is scarce for 1967 we will move the rig out by year-end and wait until spring for resumption of drilling. Hole BW-5 presently drilling, was at 265 feet yesterday.

Yours sincerely,

TAN: vhr

T. A. Netelbeek

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October 7, 1966

Mr. C. H. Burgess
Kennecott Copper Corporation
161 East 42nd Street
New York 17, New York

Re: ND - Request for Supplemental Appropriation
Black Wassuk Examination: \$18,300

Dear Harrys

This request concerns a porphyry copper bet which has possibility of containing a chalcocite blanket under a leached capping which is covered in major part by post-mineral volcanics. It is located 15 miles east-southeast of the Yerington pit and two miles northwest of the Northern Lights Examination ran by BCM in 1965.

The area has been staked by BCM and location perfection work is due before the end of the year. In this particular case, because of much competitor activity in the area, I believe we should do the location work now and avoid repapering the claims in December. The minimum total cost of perfecting 50 claims is about \$10,000. However, I recommend that the shallow holes which can satisfy the location requirements should be deepened to the pre-mineral bedrock in order to have a peep at the leached capping to allow us to formulate a rational plan for 1967. The total cost of such work is estimated at \$18,300.

I strongly recommend that BCM receive a supplemental appropriation for the full amount of \$18,300.

Sincerely yours,

Paul A. Bally

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October 5, 1966

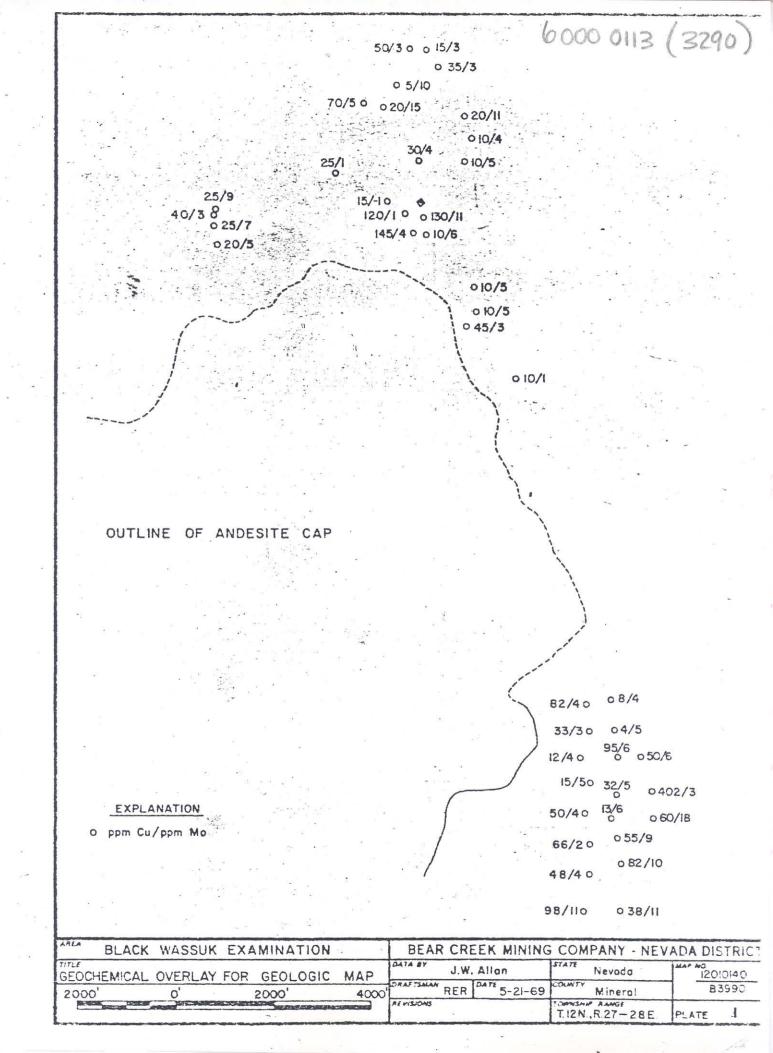
Monumenting of claims located in Bear Creek's name is in progress. Location k requirements on these claims consist of five drill holes at a cost of 000 each. We intend to deepen three of these holes to reach the pre-volcanic face, at an expected average depth of 600-700 ft.

Access road and drill site construction is underway and its completion is a me requisite for future work on the prospect.

A small amount of geologic mapping and sampling remains to be done.

Minimum cost for claim perfection prior to Xmas 1966 is estimated at ,000.

- Completion of access road and drill sites. 1.
- Perfection of Bear Creek claims. 2.
- Preliminary test of our geologic bet by deepening three holes to the 3. pre-volcanic surface. If favorable capping is located, a drilling program in the order of \$100,000 will be requested for 1967 budget.



2601 NORTH FIRST AVENUE TUCSON, ARIZONA

TO

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DATE July 19, 1963

FROM

R. F. Robinson

SUBJECT: Nevada Trip July 9th through July 17th, 1963

The writer left Tucson on July 9th and proceeded to Yerington, Nevada. On the 10th the MacArthur-Gallagher area was visited with George Stathis. Several points of the meeting are worthy of recording.

The structural data for the area is considered by Stathis and the writer to inadequate to permit reliable and complete enough interpretation of the properties potential and there is strong evidence that structural features may be extremely critical in present geologic picture. It appears that the Gallagher fault zone may be a thrust which extends eastern into the river bottom and the stained and altered mineralized hills to the north of the abundantly trenched area may overly the fresh-looking copper stained light back of the trenched area. This would put an I.P. anomaly and zone of visible sulfide at the surface on a misplaced block of ground with no "roots"? The question of where did it come from and how far becomes prominent.

Diamond drill holes in the upper fault block and area mentioned above by Anaconda may be revealing if we can get permission to examine the core, some of them are in our I.P. anomaly.

Alteration mapping previously done is not accurate in sufficient detail according to George, and the writer agrees, because much of the alteration types have been lumped into "altered rock". At least more detail in conjunction with structural data from better mapping may be of value in working out the geologic problem.

It is felt that the drilling will probably have to start before the geologic picture is worked out. Since the ultimate evaluation of the drilling will depend upon what is understood of the geology, we may again be in the undesirable situation of having to make premature decisions on the worth of a property.

The drilling contractor was inactive at the time due to a breakdown of one of the trucks. As of this date the breakdown was taken care of and the drilling completed. This perfects the claims as planned. Other claims have been Re papered but Judge Guild has not yet been approached concerning his claim corner location or establishment of validity of some of his non-contiguous claims on the northwest.

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In regard to the U. S. Steel land in our East Yerington area, Utah construction has staked all the ground around their claims. This includes the area that the writer recommended be staked in 1960 \(\frac{f}\) at one of our District meetings when George Stathis was mapping the Congdon and Carey ground and U. S. Steel claims. In retrospect two large faults projected from the rhyolite into alluvium nearby. The results of the geochemical and mapping work recommended to be done by Stathis are not recalled at this time. Apparently, the U. S. Steel ore body rakes out of their claims into Utah construction land and they also report more abundant zones of copper, some of which contain 10% copper.

William Kurtz joined the writer at Yerington on July 10th. On July 11th, Kurtz and the writer proceeded to the Pilot Mountain claims, Mineral County, Nevada. Kurtz first examined the property and decided that it was too much of a wildcat or long shot to option. However, he revisited the property recently with Don Adair, J. Anderson and P. Hahn. The latter group felt the property was worth further work and an expenditure of \$5,000.00 largely for pack sack drilling and I.P. work.

The writer is of the opinion that this target is not of a sufficient potential to recommend expenditures of \$5,000.00 under our present budget. Actually this recommended amount would merely cover the direct exploration expenditures recommended. It does not include expenses of optioning the ground from Huntley and Daniels, etc. A report will be written on this by Kurtz. The writer feels it is a second order target which should be mapped, geophysically traversed and drilled when the company is readily to investigate such targets. The principle characteristics that de-emphasize it as a first order target area are:

- 1. The sulfide mineralization is dominately pyrite and copper is low-based on:
 - a. visible pyrite in portions of the quartz monzonite dike rocks and Excelsior formation.
 - b. the character of the limonite which is abundant in fracture fillings and too lesser extent in disseminated form in all the rocks.
- 2. There may be an intrusive at depth, a feeder to the dikes but probably not within the range of a pack sack drill.
- 3. If there is an intrusive at depth and within reach of a small drill, it will almost surely be of the same grade copper as the dikes so there is little object in drilling the so flank of the principle exposures to see if an intrusive is there under the Excelsior formation as far as grade is concerned.

Certain work could and should be done if this target ever becomes a valid target for Bear Creek. Such work will be indicated in Kurtz's report.

One favorable feature seems to be widespread and strong alteration of the Excelsior formation in the diked area and also beyond. Turquoise showings in shattered altered Excelsior formation were visited a few miles north of the Pilot Mountain claim and the area between is, from a distance, similarly altered. It is suggested that this whole area should be geologically mapped, sampled and evaluated to determine if there is another target area besides that of the claimed areas, Huntley and Daniels.

On July 12, 1963, the writer and Kurtz proceeded to the Gilbert claims northwest of Tonopah which had been examined by Kurtz at an earlier date. These had been presented to us by Jensen. We noted that Jensen had returned an I.P. crew to the property and was apparently bent on gathering more data. The writer agrees with Kurtz that this is quite a long shot as a molybdenum prospect and probably falls into a secondary type of target which is out of the scope of our budget.

As a secondary type of target, some additional sampling of the outcrop in both the Gilbert and Carrie mine stocks would be warranted. Molybdenum is present in some large quartz veins and, at the Carrie Mine, a contact zone of the quartz monzonite and a schistose formation (hornsfels) is highly mineralized with disseminated molybdenite although the exposure in a road cut is quite limited.

Late on July 12th, the writer and Kurtz proceeded to Ely and met with Peter Hahn who informed them on developments at the Coordinating Unit and his work. Memos on the conference will be forthcoming from all concerned. The writer and Kurtz are unhappy about the trend of events and Peter Hahn has apparently felt that his recent report need to be modified.

On July 13th, the writer and Kurtz proceeded to Wells and met with Messrs. Bentley, Christianson and Masters of Salt Lake City. A field trip to their property near Contact, Nevada was made on July 14th. A report will be forthcoming from Kurtz on this but as far as copper is concerned, the contact metamorphic zone which contains the mineralization is too narrow to provide an open pit type of deposit. We are not sure of the molybdenum distribution and are considering doing some rock chip sampling to determine the distribution of moly values in this and other contact metamorphic areas. Molybdenum content cannot be confidently evaluated by eye particularly in this kind of deposit.

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Apparently these people become interested in having Bear Creek look at the property because in the previous year they met a group of men working on the claims adjoining theirs on the east side. These men said they were from Bear Creek and wanted to option all the ground in the area. Having heard nothing from these people again, the owners of the Johnson and Zelta claims contacted Mr. Eisenbrey in Salt Lake City.

On July 15th, Mr. Kurtz and the writer made a brief examination of the Woodman-Reynolds prospect, the Yellow Mine, at Gold Hill District, Utah.

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While the zone is high grade in copper, molybdenum, and tungsten and has an attractive precious metal content, it is too narrow to provide a large tonnage for open pit mining. Drilling was in progress with two small rigs, owned by Boyles Brothers Drilling Company. One hole, being drilled by Woodman and Reynolds personally in the bottom of the open pit, was stuck at about 135 feet. Another hole located outside and northeast of the pit was down 45 feet in unmineralized granite and was being drilled by a contracted Boyles Brothers Company crew. Assay results were available for the hole in the pit to the point of the last run pulled.

The principle mineralized portion in the pit is a 10-20 foot wide zone of coarse grained wollastonite - tremolite rock encased in granite walls. No original limestone is left. The dip is about 75° south. The hole is a little south of the zone and should have intercepted it not far below the collar. The assays of the hole indicated copper in the upper 50-60 feet ranging from 5 to 28% in 10 foot runs, passing abruptly into .8% - .5% copper and decreasing to .1% copper at depths. The core was not available but it is obvious that the hole passed through the high grade zone onto poorly mineralized granite which is megascopically quite fresh.

The hole outside of the pit seems to be off strike of the mineralization and unlikely to hit ore. A long strike length of ore to two miles is suggested by Mr. Woodman. If this is true the area is of interest but continuity over a distance of this order is deemed unlikely. We should and will keep track of the results of the planned drilling before definitely discarding this as an area of interest. A report on this will be forthcoming from Kurtz.

Raymond F. Robinson

RFR:jd

cc: W. Kurtz

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BLACK WASSUK EXAMINATION, NEVADA

1969 REQUEST: \$42,850

Copper

Previously Spent: \$87,600

Date of Next Decision: 7/31/69 Possible Supplemental: \$38,800

The Black Wassuk prospect was discovered in the course of ground examination of aeromagnetic anomalies in the eastern portion of the Greater Yerington area in 1966.

During 1967 five holes were drilled in the lava cap which covers the area of interest. However, none were drilled deep enough to penetrate the post-mineral cover, which in one hole was 1,732 feet thick. The prospect is located on the crest of the northern end of the rugged Wassuk Range approximately 15 miles from Anaconda's Yerington mine. Strong pyritic stockwork mineralization occurs in granodiorite, Triassic metavolcanic rocks and granodiorite porphyry north and south of the three-square-mile covered target area. A small copper mine, which recorded a modest production from secondarily enriched chalcocite ores just prior to World War I, is present within the capping area on the north. The exposed pyritic capping on the north is about 6,000 feet wide and is overlapped on the south by post-mineral, lake deposited volcanic sediments capped by later andesitic flows which form the crest of the Black Mountain. These cover rocks extend about two and onehalf miles to the south and cover an area of about three square miles. At the southern end of this area of cover just north of the Northern Lights copper mine is another slightly smaller area of pyritic capping. This small area of capping may represent the southern end of a continuous area of stockwork sulfide mineralization which is almost completely covered by the post-mineral lavas and volcanic sediments. Drilling has proven the cover to be at least 1,500 feet deep so that the target must be considered an underground bet.

Practically all of the area of possible interest has been covered by 91 lode claims in BCM's name. Assessment work on 76 BCM claims is due by September 1, 1969. The proposed drilling will satisfy these assessment work requirements. The boundary of the Walker River Indian Reservation crosses the extreme northeast corner of the prospect area and the Reservation land could possibly come within the cone of influence of block caving in the postulated ore body. However, it appears unlikely that the Reservation ground contains much mineralization of interest.

Five holes totaling several thousand feet were drilled in the prospect area in 1967. However, none of these holes went deep enough to penetrate pre-ore bedrock.

The target is an enriched porphyry copper deposit occurring over low-grade stockwork mineralization which presumably is surrounded in a zonal pattern by the essentially barren pyritic mineralization exposed around the edges of post-mineral cover. The target is a multihundred-million-ton deposit of enriched chalcocite ore.

Before the end of 1968, several dozer trenches will be cut in the talus covered slope to expose mineralized capping in the direction of presumed increase in copper grade and at a horizon which will be within the now oxidized and dissected enrichment zone. This work will be followed by one deep hole at the site of Hole BW-5 to make a test of bedrock below the post-ore cover. The cost of this program will be \$42,850. If significant or near-ore mineralization is encountered, contingent funds of \$38,800 will be requested and another hole will be drilled 1,000 feet southwest of BW-5.

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8. Probable and Possible plans
Describe work and estimated time and funds that may be used to reach next following descision point(s).

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 Li land optioned already, attach schedule per Memo #143.
- Plans for reaching next logical decision point, Describe at roaches, elements needed to make next decision.
- Map and cross-sections as needed to add clarity and mean to text.

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2. <u>Geologic Setting</u>: The prospect is located on the crest of the northern end of the Wassuk Range in rugged terrain of unusually difficult access. The north end of the prospect area is 15 miles east-southeast of Anaconda's Yerington mine.

Strong pyritic stockwork mineralization occurs in granodiorite, Triassic metavolcanic rocks, and granodiorite(?) porphyry. The Yerington Mtn. copper mine which recorded a modest production from secondarily enriched chalcocite ores just prior to WWI and several other smaller showings of copper mineralization occur within the capping area.

The exposed pyritic capping, about 6,000 feet wide from east to west, is overlapped on the south by post-mineral, lake-deposited(?) volcanic sediments capped by andesitic flows which form the crest of Black Mtn. Beneath the volcanic sediments are discontinuous, in places thick, lenses and wedges of older silicic volcanic rocks (See accompanying maps and sections). The andesitic volcanic rocks extend about two and one-half miles to the south and cover an area of about three square miles. At the southern end of these lavas, just north of the Northern Lights copper mine, another slightly smaller area of pyritic capping is exposed, overlapped to the north by the andesitic lavas. This small area of capping may represent the southern end of a continuous area of stockwork sulfide mineralization which is almost completely covered by post-mineral lavas and volcanic sediments.

3. Objectives: The target is an enriched porphyry copper deposit occurring over low-grade stockwork mineralization which presumably is surrounded in a zonal pattern by the essentially barren pyritic mineralization exposed around the edges of the post-mineral cover.

Proven by drilling to be at least 1,500 feet deep, the target must be considered an underground bet which will, because of the overlying volcanic rocks and sediments, possess complicated caving characteristics. Beneath the post-mineral cover, there is a relatively unfaulted block of sufficient size to easily contain more than 300 million tons of ore in a blanket 200 feet thick.

4. <u>Land Situation</u>: Practically all of the area of possible interest has been located in Bear Creek's name. To date 91 lode claims have been located with the probability that more will be located if any future drilling shows encouraging results.

Assessment work on 76 BCMC claims is due on September 1, 1969. The proposed drilling will satisfy.

The boundary of the Walker River Indian Reservation crosses the extreme northeast corner of the prospect area and Reservation land could possibly come within the cone of influence of block caving in the postulated orebody; however, it appears unlikely that the Reservation ground covers much mineralization of interest.

5. Plans: Before the end of 1968 several dozer trenches will be cut in the talus covered slope to the northwest, west, and south of the Yerington Mtn. copper mine to expose mineralized capping in the direction of presumed increase in copper grade and at a horizon which will be within

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the now oxidized and dissected enrichment zone. If results of this work are encouraging, funds will be requested to drill in 1969 one deep hole at the site of BW-5 (Contingency I) to be completed by midvear.

- 6. Cost Items: Drilling costs will constitute the entire expenditure.
- 7. PR Problems: No PR problems are anticipated.
- 8. Future Plans: If drill results are encouraging to the extent that mineralized rock with significant or near ore grade copper values is found beneath the post-mineral cover, another drill hole will be considered for 1969 (Contingency II). Minimum, approximated tonnage/volume requirements dictate this hole should be located about 1,000 feet southwest of BW-5.

If both 1969 drill holes confirm our target concept, the indications of a large tonnage chalcocite blanket will justify a major drilling program in 1970, costing \$250,000.

EXAMINATION

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A. The prospect was discovered in the course of ground examination of aeromagnetic anomalies in the eastern portion of the Greater Yerington project area.

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- C. The target is a porphyry copper deposit covered by post-mineral rocks.
- D. The area of possible interest has been located in Bear Creek's name. To date 76 claims have been located and location work performed on 70 of them.

Of doubtful validity are 8 or 10 claims on the northeast corner of the area located in 1965 by the Basin Range Co. (J. Adrian, T. Maricinak, et al of Yerington). The western boundary of the Walker River Indian Reservation crosses the northeast corner of the prospect area; however, it appears unlikely that the Reservation covers any mineralization of interest.

E. Five rotary drill holes, ranging in depth from 110 feet to 235 feet, have just been completed and will serve as location work for 50 claims. Access road and drill sites are all complete.

It is planned to deepen the above holes to reach the pre-volcanic surface at an expected average depth between 600 and 700 feet, and drill through the capping into primary mineralization.

F. Drilling to test our geologic bet. If results are encouraging a drilling program in the order of \$200,000 will be requested for the 1968 budget.

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Black Wassuk Examination, Nevada

Copper

Previously Spent: \$25,000



District Service Unit Total

\$ 70,000

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There is a possibility here for an enriched porphyry copper deposit covered by post-mineral volcanics. Whether such a deposit would be amenable to open-pit mining would depend on the thickness of the volcanic cover.

The area of interest is covered by 76 Bear Creek claims, of which 70 have been perfected. The northeastern corner of the area lies on the Walker River Indian Reservation, but it appears unlikely that significant mineralization will be found in this area.

Five shallow rotary drill holes (110-235 feet) were drilled for claim location work. These holes will be deepened to reach the pre-volcanic surface at an expected average depth of 600-700 feet, and carried through the capping into primary mineralization. Part of this drilling will be accomplished with supplemental funds late in 1966. The main costs are \$58,150 for drilling; \$2,400 for temporary salaries; \$2,800 for travel; and \$2,500 for road building.

Discouraging results from the planned drilling program would result in abandonment of the area. If drilling reveals significant mineralization, a budget in the range of \$200,000 will be required in 1968 for detailed evaluation.

Bd-24-29 Black Wassuk

BLACK WASSUK EXAMINATION, NEVADA

Copper District \$ 70,000

Previously Spent: \$ 25,000

Total

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BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS JUN 17 1987 Nevada Indian Agency Stewart, Nevada 89437

Real Prop. Mgmt. 327 Bear Creek (Walker River).

BEAR CREEK MINING COMPANY NEVADA DISTRICT

Mr. T. A. Netelbeek Bear Creek Mining Company Re: Black Wassuk 3075 Mill Street Reno, Nevada 89502

Dear Mr. Netelbeek:

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Reference is made to your proposal to lease a portion of the Walker River Reservation for possible surface use for stockpiling, waste dumps, buildings and other improvements in connection with a large number of unpatented mining claims which you hold outside the Reservation in Ts. 12 and 13 N., Rs. 27 and 28 E., MDM.

There is no question that logistically the Reservation lands would be ideally located for operations resulting from mining on the Bear Creek claims. However, depositing waste and tailings in the draws and on the eastern slopes of Black Mountain within the Reservation would not enhance the exploration and possibly recovery of Reservation minerals. Then, too, there are many adverse actions which might result from waste disposal in addition to covering up potentially valuable minerals. Windblown or water-carried tailings and waste could create a detrip -- PAB6-7/ mental effect on other Reservation lands and future land uses. All of these factors would, of course, have to be analyzed in advance of any favorable action.

The Walker-Martel exclusive mineral prospecting permit gives that company the exclusive right to explore and develop minerals through 1971 if certain renewal options are taken. If further exploration of the Black Mountain area by Walker-Martel proves conclusively that notice by commercial minerals are present, then future consideration could be given to a Bear Creek proposal. Until the mineral potential of the area has been determined, the exclusive mineral prospecting permit granted to Walker Martel would preclude the leasing of potential mineralized areas for non-mineral purposes.

Sincerely yours,

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This document forwarded to: From: BCMC-Nevada District Reno, Nevada T. A. NETELBEEK

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MEMORANDUM



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FROM:

T. A. Netelbeek

RE:

Black Wassuk - Surface Lease of Walker River Indian Reservation

DATE: June 22, 1967

I discussed the B.I.A. response of June 16 with Howard Gray today and it is his opinion that there is very little we can do at the present time about the situation. Howard, however, suggested that we consider writing the B.I.A. requesting an exclusive prospecting permit on the area east of the Black Wassuk examination, to be effective as soon as Walker-Martel abandons its currently valid exclusive prospecting permit. Whether this would be wise under the circumstances, admitting mineral potential of these lands, appears questionable to me.

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cc: P. A. Bailly

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The claim is situated in the Mountain View Mining Fistrict, situated about seven miles West of Schurz, Nevada (South Fast or

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The discovery work consists of oren cut (in excess of 200 costs to located 300 feet in a Southerly direction from the discovery

Each of the four corners and the side centers is marked by the name of the claim and the name and number of the corner.

Dated 8/26-56

John Pailey
John Pailey
Fred F. Banker
Locator

Address Hawthome, Nevada.

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