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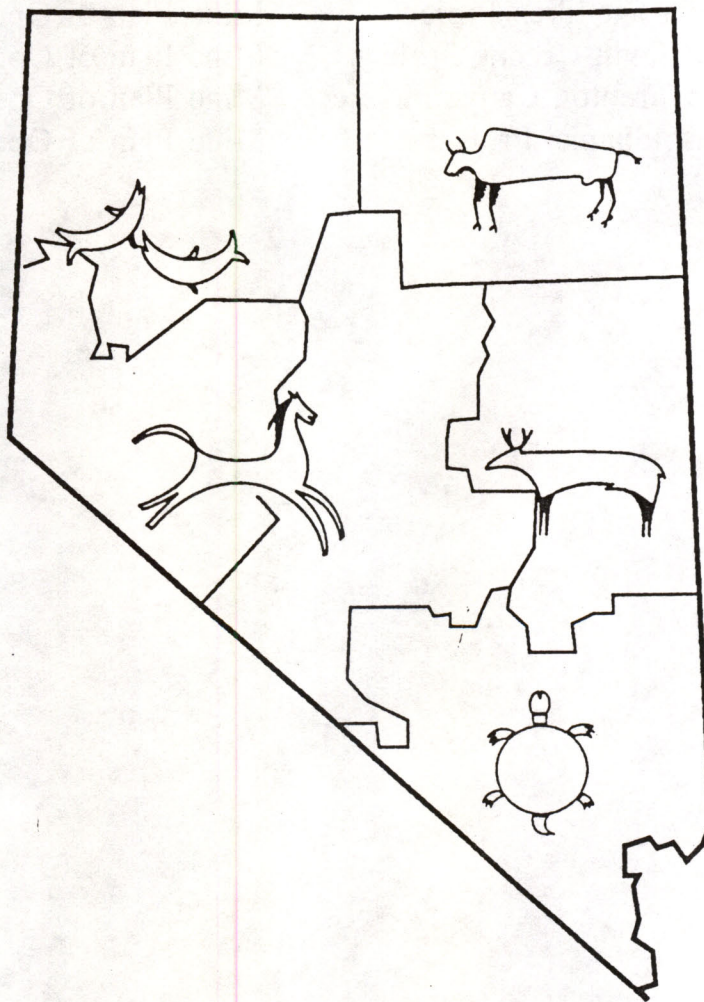
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SUMMARY

NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT LAND USE PLANNING



Winnemucca District

Document Name: **Kinross Gold Corporation, Goldbanks Mine**

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Lead Agency: Bureau of Land Management

Project Coordinator: Ken Loda; Winnemucca District 702-623-1500

NEPA Contractor: Riverside Technology, inc., Fort Collins, Colorado

Project Description: Kinross has submitted a mining Plan of Operations for a precious metal mine to be located in the Goldbanks Hills, in Pershing County, approximately 30 miles south of Winnemucca, Nevada. The project will ultimately consist of two separate mining areas and associated waste rock dumps, a heap leach area, various ancillary facilities and two access roads. The total project area encompasses approximately 16,208 acres of BLM-administered public land and 160 acres of fee land. Approximately 2,761 acres of public land will be disturbed by the proposed action.

Major Issues: Public scoping is presently in progress, to close December 16, 1996. A public scoping meeting is scheduled for December 4, 1996 in Winnemucca, Nevada. No major issues have been identified by the public at this time. Anticipated issues could center around ground water and wildlife habitat.

Interested Publics: Undetermined. Public Scoping Meeting is scheduled for December 4, 1996 in Winnemucca, Nevada.

Federal Register Citations: Notice of Intent: Vol. 61, No. 213, pages 56567-56568, November 1, 1996.

Schedule: Draft is scheduled for issuance in June, 1997 and the Final in November, 1997.