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ACTIVITY AND ACHIEVEMENTS
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ADMINISTRATION (ALAN)

1. Filed language with LCB prior to July 1 to allow for permanent rather than temporary regulation change for proposed mining claim filing fee increase.
2. Worked with Wanda to qualify NDOM for ASAP payment process from BLM.
3. Provided Scott Pope of El Paso Energy with information concerning the Nevada Excellence in Mine Reclamation award for their project at the Comstock mill site.
4. Attended the BLM FAST workshop in Boulder City.
5. Met with BLM Director Jim Caswell and BLM State Director Ron Wenker to discuss an opportunity for a media event in Reno to highlight the AML Eagle Scout program.
6. Facilitated two CMR workshops in Elko and Reno concerning the mining claim fee increase. Commissioner DeLong led the Elko workshop (two people attended) and Commissioners Parratt and Bryan led the Reno workshop (two people attended).
7. Comment letters concerning the mining claim filing fee increase were collected.
8. Facilitated a teleconference meeting of the CMR at which the mining claim filing fee increase of \$2 per filing was approved.
9. Facilitated discussions concerning the AML incident in Clark County.

RECLAMATION BOND POOL (DOUG)

1. Spoke with Rich Bellon regarding his bond at the Bovie-Lew property. At one time, Rich had the property (placer) on the verge of production. His partners ousted him, performed approximately 90% of the reclamation, and transferred the property back to him. Now Rich wants to start it back up but NDEP wants a new plan of operations. The bond is still in place and Rich is making the quarterly premium payments.
2. Went to the Bank of America with NDEP to withdraw Plum Mining's CDs, convert them to cash, and deposit it in the Bond Pool's account. The CDs amounted to \$415,000 which will be a portion of Plum's deposit. Plum's final bond amount is still being finalized, and the bond has not been issued.
3. Issued notice level bonds for Queensgate Resources US, Inc., Nevgold USA Inc., and Jipangu. A notice level bond for Apollo Gold was released.
4. Issued a plan of operations bond for Escape Gold Nevada Inc. This project is located in the Inyo National Forest.
5. Met with Terry Howard TNT Ventures concerning his plan of operations for a small placer operation near Yerington.

MINING, LAND AND OTHER ISSUES (DOUG)

1. Prepared the final bill to BLM for the SNLPMA funded abandoned mine inventory work in Clark County.

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2. Spoke with George Baumgarten of the Nevada State Museum about valuation of mineral specimens for insurance purposes.
3. Sent the remaining annual status and production reports to David Davis at NBMG.
4. Attended the Nevada Miners and Prospectors meeting in Reno.
5. Sent information on mineral potential of White Pine County to the County Clerk. White Pine County has concerns that the pumping of water to Las Vegas could impact future mineral development.
6. Approved a sundry notice for Ormat for a flow test at Desert Peak, and another for a kickoff of a vertical hole to directional.
7. Gave a verbal approval to change location of some thermal gradient holes for Nevada Geothermal Power. The need to change was caused by a typo.
8. Worked with Mike on a contract for making additional AML video material.
9. Received help from Kristen Kolbe, Budget Analyst for approval of work programs.
10. Supplied mineral production information on Lander County mines to Dan Vetter, who was preparing a tourist brochure.
11. Worked on the exploration survey.
12. Helped Ray Finigan who was trying to get a small placer mine permitted.
13. Spoke with David Davis (NBMG) about production figures.

AML / PUBLIC AWARENESS - NORTH (MIKE)

1. Summer interns completed weeks 7 - 10 securing 18 hazards, re-visiting 18 sites, logging 76 hazards and 656 non-hazards. The interns also assisted with set-up and tear-down at the Teacher's Workshop in Tonopah and participated in the tour at Round Mountain Gold.
2. Worked with Paul reviewing past work of interns, editing and correcting inventory sheets. Resolved missing intern paperwork and incorrectly identified photos.
3. Worked with Bill and Paul to plan summer intern work in White Pine County and conducted land status and ownership research.
4. Performed land status and claim ownership research on regions in Nye and Lincoln counties planned for AML work, in order to determine potential orphan AML sites which can be logged and secured at the same time.
5. Met with claimant Chuck Williams regarding securing work he recently performed on five hazards on his claims in Humboldt County. Provided information on two additional hazards which may need securing work.
6. A notification letter was sent to property owner Fred Sidra regarding two abandoned mine hazards in the Painted Rock area and inquiring as to his interest in participating in our nearby backfill program.
7. Attended the BLM's 3-day FAST! Workshop in Boulder City. Representatives from State and Federal AML programs in California, Arizona, New Mexico, Colorado, Utah and Nevada were in attendance in addition to several from BLM Regional and National offices, as well as a few from private industry and academia. Presentations emphasized how different groups approach the AML issue, with particular attention devoted to the "Nevada Model", and how the process of permanent closures (e.g. backfill, foam, bat gate) can be improved and/or streamlined.
8. Received a request for an Eagle Service Project from Boy Scout Grant Zampirro (Carson City). A letter and informational packet will be sent to him and sites chosen for a fall project.

9. Communicated with PSA producer, Norm Bosworth, regarding updating and editing existing PSA for BLM's request to incorporate it into their national outreach video on AML. Norm suffered a crash to the hard drive storing our finished products. All the original footage and sound is still available, but the finals would have to be re-created. To do this and make the necessary edits, removal of Nevada references, and output as HD video, would require approximately \$4,500. He estimated two weeks to complete the work. We'd like to have these updated HD PSA's available for distribution to the television stations on August 28, when BLM Director Caswell visits Reno to promote our Eagle Scout AML projects.
10. Fran Norton (Nevada Appeal) requested and received information on numbers of AML sites and securings in Carson City and Lyon counties.
11. Received a request for Rocks/Minerals/AML activities and presentations for 4 classes of third-graders at Ester Bennett Elementary School in Sparks sometime in March of 2009.
12. Participated at the Earth Science Education Workshop for Teachers in Tonopah. Approximately 81 teachers attended. Acted as classroom coordinator for grades 9-12 and taught one activity to 20 teachers. Assisted with workshop tours to Chemetall Foote's lithium mine, the newly proposed Monte Cristo's Castle State Park, Round Mountain Gold Mine, and the historic town of Belmont.
13. Met with James Eason, Tonopah Town Manager, to discuss the workshop, teacher tours and the Tonopah Historic Mining Park's need for additional fence work. Stretch Baker (THMP Foundation Board Chairman) provided tour of sites with special needs with regard to their request for monies from NDOM.

AML / GIS (PAUL)

1. Held a safety meeting with the summer interns and discussed some of the small incidents that had happened while in the field. After having the interns describe the incidents we discussed how to avoid those situations in the future. Typed up a brief outline of the safety meeting and gave it to Linda Wells for the safety file. Held another safety meeting with the summer interns. Discussed assessing road conditions and when to determine that the road is unsafe for travel with the pickups. Typed up a brief summary of the safety meeting and gave to Linda Wells to put in the safety file.
2. Collected the paperwork and maps from the summer interns each week. Totaled up the numbers and proofed the paperwork.
3. Did land research in Pershing County and Lyon County for future AML work. Also, Mike Visher and I did land research in the NDOM Las Vegas office for work in White Pine County by the summer interns.
4. Contacted Phoebe Bender, the GIS Technician with State Lands, about getting a shapefile of state owned lands for future AML work. Miss Bender agreed to send a shapefile and stated that a shapefile of all AML work done to date on state lands would be very helpful to them.
5. Installed ArcView 9.3 on the two desktop GIS computers and the laptop.
6. Mike Visher coordinated and lined out summer interns field work in the Quinn Mountain Range area.
7. Traveled to Boulder City for the F.A.S.T. conference held at the Boulder City Inn by the BLM. The conference consisted of presentations on Tuesday and Wednesday, and a field trip to some AML sites in the area on Thursday. Chris Ross and I gave a presentation on logistics of AML backfill projects. The meeting was attended by 55 people with

representation from 7 states and 7 private groups. Seven BLM states were represented and the National and the State BLM Directors attended the meeting. Some of the other agencies present were NDOW, USFS, and NDOM. Of the 55 people that attended the meeting 30 went on the field trip.

8. Worked on AML data base and updated the weekly mines report.
9. Updated the Hazard ID sheets in the ID binders for all the revisits done by the summer interns for the previous week.
10. Contacted Clara Ingle to work out the details with a tour of Turquoise Ridge for the summer interns.
11. Contacted Melanie Peterson with the Ely BLM office to set up a time for the interns to meet with her to show what work had been done in White Pine County.
12. Received a call from Eagle Scout Eli Bagley. His project has been approved and he is ready to set a date to fence the hazards preferably in September.
13. Proof read the final draft of Under the Earth workshop for Arloa Woolford. Contacted Arloa via e-mail and let her know the final draft looked very good.
14. Traveled with Mike Visher to Tonopah for the annual Northern Nevada Teachers Workshop and helped set up the classrooms and booths. Assisted with the Opp. Chem. Presentations and gave two Under the Earth presentations.
15. Traveled to Silver Peak on a field trip to see the lithium mining process at the Chemetall Foote facilities. After touring the lithium mine at Silver Peak we traveled to the Monte Cristo mountain range to do a hike and study the geology of the area.

AML / PUBLIC AWARENESS - SOUTH (BILL)

1. Completed checks and edits on hazard ID sheets and non-hazard sheets and conducting claim research for hazards investigated and ranked in Nye County in the “Death Valley Triangle”.
2. An AML accident was reported to Carson City staff regarding an injury that occurred from a fall down a mine shaft in Clark County. Chief-SNO and BLM staff from the Nevada State Office and Las Vegas Field Office are investigating.
3. Attended the BLM “Fix a Shaft Today” Conference in Boulder City. Made presentation on Nevada AML inventory and claim research methods and led conference field trip.
4. Las Vegas office contacted by two new Eagle Scout candidates requesting AML securing projects – Mark Boggess (#110) and Myles Putnam (#111).
5. Updating rock and mineral keys for kits for the Tonopah teacher workshop.
6. Las Vegas staff preparing and packing materials for Tonopah workshop.
7. Collected limestone for teacher workshop rock kits from a location near Goodsprings.
8. Las Vegas staff participated in the Tonopah Earth Science Education workshop for teachers. A total of 81 teachers attended. Chief-SNO coordinated “Mineral Detective” and “Rocks and Geology” activity sessions for grade level 4-5 teachers. Las Vegas staff assisted in set-up, registration, record-keeping and tour coordination functions. All participating teachers were given AML handout materials.
9. Completed and distributed minutes for May 2 McCaw School of Mines Foundation Board meeting.

GEOHERMAL (ALAN)

1. Communicated with U.S. Geothermal at Empire concerning setbacks for three proposed geothermal production wells.

2. Discussed NGP Blue Mountain 13-11 sidetrack application with BLM. NGP wants to direction drill from fee to federal mineral estate.
3. Approved a sundry for NGP for Blue Mtn. 13-11 to increase depth to 7,000'.
4. Consulted with BLM on sidetrack for NGP Blue Mtn. 13-11.
5. Coordinated with Nevada Geothermal Power about their request for revision of NAC concerning the requirement for e-logs.

OIL AND GAS (ALAN)

1. Conferred with Russ Lands concerning the conversion of Eagle Springs 1-35 to an injection well.
2. Further investigation of the catastrophic failure of the Great Valley Drilling Rig 2000 at KBE#1 and indicated to owner that third party certification and addition of State of Nevada as additional insured on liability insurance policy would be required before resumption of operations.
3. Makoil East Inselberg 36-43 TD on July 1.
4. Assisted Makoil with BLM CX for Sans Springs and Trap Springs wells in Railroad Valley.
5. Meritage Energy sundry notice to reactivate Eagle Springs 1-35. Sent to Russ Land NDEP UIC for approval.
6. Notified Great Valley Drilling of NDOM approval to resume operations at KBE#1. Great Valley Drilling was released from KBE #1. KBE was notified of the requirement to complete a temporary abandonment notice.
7. Met with Commissioner Kozlowski and the BLM concerning a right-of-way issue in Railroad Valley. The BLM is now requiring any party wishing to access a drilling site acquire a right-of-way over maintained roads from some designated public road.