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GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
Office of Minerals Exploration
345 Middlefield Road
Menlo Park, California 94025

November 26, 1968

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Memorandum

To: Chief, Office of Minerals Exploration
Washington, D. C.

From: Field Officer
Region II

Subject: New Application (Nickel)
Robert L. Goldsmith and Melbern V. Adams
Baumann Property
Tulare County, California

Enclosed is one copy of an application for financial assistance in a $244,200.00 project to explore by trenching, drilling, and drifting for nickel ore in saprolite under a siliceous laterite capping both of which are supergene alteration products of serpentine and other ultramafics intruded into sedimentary rocks of Jurassic(?) age. The project area is in the north end of the Venice Hills which rise 500 feet above surrounding orchard land in the San Joaquin Valley.

The application is incomplete in the following respects:

1. (a) Letters to the two banks omitted.

   (c) Source of funds vague--see transmittal letter.

3. (a) Approximately 6,000 tons has been "quarried" from five pits (p. 6) but its disposition is not stated. Evidently metallurgical tests were not made nor the nickel content determined. However, the computed grade of pit 5 (p. 17) is 2.28% Ni. (See also p. 40.)

   (d) The potential of the deposit is not discussed except on p. 16 where "18 tons represents a token of what may be expected."

P.O.Box 266
Ivanhoe, California, 93235
November 21,1968

U.S. Geological Survey
345 Middlefield Road
Menlo Park, California 94925

Dear Sir;

We have endeavored to the best of our ability and with the services of Mr. L. Waterman, soil geologist, the questions asked in a , we hope, detailed manner.

We have tried to stay within the limitations placed on these loans. We wish to express the opinion that for the work to be done properly, and thoroughly, and in a systematic way a great deal more money will be needed as we proceed. Although, we are amazed that so much ore has been exposed with so little exploration.

Through various means we will, we feel sure, be able to raise a portion for the loan requirements.

Also, wish to state we intend to form a company or corporation depending of course, on what we feel will be the best course to follow, as it progresses.

There was a feeling that we could be more precise in itemizing the operational expense, but felt that can be submitted in more detail if you so choose.

We hope to hear from you in the near future and will gladly give any assistance necessary. Our home is adjacent to the leased property and we will be happy to meet and show you the property at you convienence. Telephone 209-798--0301. Home address 17410 Millwood Dr.

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MENLO PARK, CALIF.

Sincerely,

Robert L. Goldsmith

Robert L. Goldsmith

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APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IN MINERALS EXPLORATION

Pursuant to Public Law 85-701 (72 Stat. 700; 30 U.S.C. 641)

NAME OF APPLICANT *(Full legal name and mailing address as they should appear on contract if one is executed.)*

Robert L. Goldsmith
Melbern V. Adams

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Ivanhoe, California, 93235

APPLICANT DO NOT USE THIS BLOCK

DOCKET NUMBER: 6762

DATE RECEIVED: 11/29/68

REGION: II

DIVISION CODE:

BUSINESS ORGANIZATION *(Check one)*

- INDIVIDUAL ☐
- CORPORATION ☐
- PARTNERSHIP ☒
- OTHER *(Specify)* ☐

STATE IN WHICH FIRM IS ORGANIZED:

LIST CORPORATE OFFICERS OR PARTNERS HERE, IF APPLICABLE

NAME	ADDRESS	TITLE
Robert L. Goldsmith	17410 Millwood Dr, Visalia, Calif.	
Melbern V. Adams	14314 Avenue 364 Visalia, California	
Tommy Bryan	2214 East Howard Visalia, California	

MINERAL(S) FOR WHICH YOU WISH TO EXPLORE: Nickel

ESTIMATED COST OF PROJECT: $ $250,000.00

PROPERTY NAME	LOCATION COUNTY	STATE
Baumann	Tulare	California

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Before filling out this application, please read the *OME Regulations for Obtaining Federal Assistance in Financing Explorations for Mineral Reserves* (30 CFR Chap. III). To assure prompt action, your application must provide all applicable material and information specified on the back of this application form. Avoid unnecessary correspondence and delays by submitting complete and accurate information. *Please submit two copies of this application and all accompanying papers* except as otherwise noted. Place your name and address on each sheet. Each item of information, maps, and reports required as a part of this application is described on the back of this form. Identify each attached statement by the item number to which it applies. If an item does not apply to your application, show the item number on your statement and after it write "not applicable." Maps or sketches should be used to supplement narrative descriptions of the property location and boundaries in item 2, existing mine workings and geology in item 3, and the proposed exploration work in item 5. When this information is not too complex, all of it may be shown on one map or sketch. All documents and other attachments submitted as a part of this application, except those in item 3(g) which you mark to be returned, become the property of the Government and will not be returned to the applicant. Send true copies, *not originals*, of leases, contracts, and other documents which are an essential part of your business records. *File this application with the Office of Minerals Exploration, Department of the Interior,* ~~Washington 25, D. C., or with the nearest OME Field Office.~~ Washington, D. C., 20242, or with the nearest OME Field Office.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, whether as an individual, corporate officer, partner, or otherwise, both in his own behalf and acting for the applicant, certifies that the information set forth in this form and accompanying papers is correct and complete, to the best of his knowledge and belief, and that he would not ordinarily undertake the proposed exploration under current conditions and circumstances at his sole expense.

11/20/68
DATED

Robert L. Goldsmith Melbern V. Adams
BY *(Signature)*

Partnership
TITLE

A wilfully false statement or certification to any Department or Agency of the United States Government is a criminal offense. U. S. Code, Title 18, Sec. 1001.

INFORMATION REQUIRED WITH THIS APPLICATION

1. Financial Eligibility:

(a) Submit evidence of efforts made within 90 days preceding the filing of this application to obtain credit from your bank of account and at least one other banking institution or other private source of credit. Such evidence shall include true copies of correspondence which show: (1) date of loan request, (2) amount and terms requested, (3) proposed use of loan funds, and (4) the replies from credit sources. If the loan was offered under terms which you consider unreasonable, state why you consider them so.

(b) List names and addresses of affiliated, parent, or controlling companies or organizations and state extent and nature of their interest.

(c) State how you propose to furnish your share of the cost of the exploration work.

2. Applicant's Rights in Land:

(a) State your interest in the land and mineral rights, whether owner, lessee, purchaser under contract, or other. If you are not the owner, submit one true copy of the lease, contract, or other document (with address of owner) under which you control the property. Describe all liens, mortgages, or other encumbrances on the land and state book and page number and official place where recorded.

(b) State the legal description (section, township, and range; metes and bounds; patent number of claims) of the land upon which you wish to explore and all adjacent land which you own or control. Describe any part of the land or workings which should not be subject to Government royalty and liens. If the land consists of unpatented claims, state book and page number for each recorded location notice, including amended locations, and official place where recorded. State all the names by which you know the property.

(c) For all land or mineral rights encumbered or not owned, submit five copies of Lien and Subordination Agreements on MME Form 52. If the agreements cannot be obtained, state reasons and provide copies of letters of refusal.

3. Physical Description:

(a) Describe in detail and illustrate with maps or sketches all mining or exploration operations which you know have been or are being conducted upon the land. Include existing mine workings and all production facilities.

(b) State your interest, if any, in operations described in (a).

(c) State, if you know, the past and current production, supporting your statement with copies of settlement sheets, mine records, or published data if available.

(d) Describe known ore reserves, giving quantities and grades and sampling methods used. Support your statement with copies of assay certificates and assay maps if available.

(e) Describe by narrative and maps or sketches the geologic features of the property, including ore minerals, geologic formations if known, and type of deposit (vein, bedded, etc.).

(f) State your reasons for expecting to find ore, and if you have sampled the area you propose to explore, show where the samples were taken, describe sampling methods used, and provide copies of assay certificates.

(g) Send with your application at least *two* copies of all geologic or engineering reports, assay maps, or technologic information which you have, indicating whether you require their return.

4. Accessibility of Property:

(a) To aid the OME representative who may examine the property, state name and address of person who will meet him; give directions for reaching the property; and describe accessibility of property and of any mine workings.

(b) Name the shipping and supply points and state the distances to the property.

5. Exploration Work:

(a) Describe fully the proposed exploration work giving individual footages and sizes of openings *for each item of work.* Use narrative, maps, plans, and sections as necessary. Show location of the proposed work as related to geologic features such as veins, ore-bearing beds, contacts of rock formations, etc. Show also the relation of the proposed work to any existing mine workings and to *land boundaries* or to the closest identifiable corner.

(b) If an access road must be built, show the proposed location on the property map and state the length, type and construction methods proposed.

(c) If an OME contract is executed, state how soon thereafter work would be started and finished. State your anticipated average daily or monthly rate of progress for each type of work.

6. Experience:

State your operating experience and background to conduct this exploration work and also that of the person who will supervise the work.

7. Estimate of Costs:

Furnish detailed estimates of the necessary costs *for each item of the work proposed in 5(a)* under the headings listed below with a total for each heading and the estimated total cost of the work. Costs for any work to be performed by an independent contractor should be listed separately under category (a) below. Costs for any work that is not to be performed by an independent contractor should be listed under categories (b) through (g).

(a) Independent contracts. State the total cost of any proposed independent contract for all or any part of the work, and the number of units and the unit cost for each type of work, such as per foot of drilling, per foot of drifting, per hour of bulldozer operations, or per cubic yard of material moved. Cost estimates should be supported by bids from three contractors if possible. (*Note*—If none of the work is to be contracted, write "none" after this item.)

(b) Personal services. The cost of supervision, engineering and geological services, outside consultants, and labor should be itemized by numbers and classes of employees; rates of wages, salaries or fees; and periods of employment. State whether these services are available.

(c) Operating materials and supplies. List items of material and supplies giving quantity and cost of each. Include under this heading power, water, and fuel, and units of equipment and tools costing less than $50 each.

(d) Operating equipment. List items of equipment and tools costing $50 or more per unit. Give specifications and indicate how each item is to be acquired—i.e., rented, purchased or provided by the applicant. If rented or purchased, state the estimated rental or purchase price. If furnished by the applicant, state condition and present fair market value.

(e) Initial rehabilitation and repairs. Describe the type and the cost of *initial* rehabilitation or repair of existing buildings, fixtures, installations (exclusive of mine workings), and movable operating equipment now owned by the applicant which will be used in the exploration work.

(f) New buildings, fixtures, installations. Describe each building, fixed improvement, and installation to be purchased, constructed, or installed for the exploration work, stating specifications and cost including labor, materials, and supervision.

(g) Miscellaneous. Describe the type and estimate the cost of repairs and maintenance of the operating equipment listed in 7(d). Do not repeat initial repairs listed in 7(e). Show also the costs of analytical work, accounting, workmen's compensation and employees' liability insurance, payroll taxes, and other required costs that do not fall within the previous categories. [*Note*—The Government will not contribute to costs incurred before the date of the contract, or to costs of or incident to: (1) acquiring, using, or possessing land and any existing improvements, facilities, buildings, installations, and appurtenances, or the depreciation and depletion thereof; (2) general overhead, corporate management, interest and taxes (other than payroll and sales taxes); (3) insurance (other than employees' liability insurance); and (4) damages to persons or property (other than authorized repair to or replacement of equipment or other property used in the work).]

BLM Form 40

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Melbern V. Adams
P.O. Box 266
Ivanhoe, California 93235

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1. a. Enclosures

   b. None

   c. Through

2. Enclosure (a., b, c- one existing)

3. a,b, c, Enclosed information is of current detail.

   d. Assays enclosed explain current exploration carried on by applicants.

   e,f Covered in enclosed geologic report.

   g " " " " "

4. a. Robert L. Goldsmith*
   17410 Millwood Dr Telephone 209-798-0301
   Visalia, California

   Melbern V. Adams Telephone 209-734-3089
   14314 Avenue 364
   Visalia, California

   b. Two miles east of Ivanhoe, California

5. a. Enclosure--Drift Map No. 5

   b. " " " "

   c. Work could begin immediately, and would extend for approximately we believe, one year.

6. Experience- Mr. Goldsmith and Mr. Adams have both worked with men and equipment in farming, real estate agent (Mr.Adams) and plan on also employing knowledgable mining engineer and geological aid.

7. Enclosed estimate sheet

* Mr. Goldsmith owns ajoining citrus grove upon which first shaft was sunk. His residence is situated aobut 100 feet from that.

The proposed exploration is in the preliminary stage of planning; it is not adequately illustrated, and some of the costs are excessive:

5. (a) Map, p. 52, shows about 3 miles of road, 16 trenches up to 1,500 feet long, and "core holes of undetermined no. & depth." Drifting is mentioned (p. 53) but location is undetermined.

7. Page 53 shows a cost summary, but a cost estimate will be submitted if requested (transmittal letter).

R. M. Smith

for H. K. Stager

Enclosures

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Robert L. Goldsmith
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MAY 8 1968

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TULARE COUNTY, CALIF.

C. Ralph Howard
County Recorder

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ASSIGNMENT OF MINING LEASE

We, TOMMY BRYAN and DELORIS ELAINE BRYAN, do hereby assign and transfer our interest in that certain mining lease dated May 2, 1968, wherein LEORA S. BAUMANN is lessor and we are lessees and concerning the real property which is described on Exhibit "A" attached hereto, as follows:

An undivided one-third thereof to ourselves, TOMMY BRYAN and DELORIS ELAINE BRYAN, husband and wife, as joint tenants.

An undivided one-third thereof to ROBERT L. GOLDSMITH and GRACE J. GOLDSMITH, husband and wife, as joint tenants.

An undivided one-third thereof to MILBERN V. ADAMS and PLUMA LEA ADAMS, husband and wife, as joint tenants.

Dated: May 4, 1968.

Tommy Bryan

Deloris Elaine Bryan

STATE OF CALIFORNIA }
COUNTY OF TULARE } ss

On May 4, 1968, personally appeared before me TOMMY BRYAN and DELORIS ELAINE BRYAN, known to me to be the persons who executed the above Assignment of Mining Lease, and they severally acknowledged to me that they executed the same.

DAVID H. LAUGHLIN
NOTARY PUBLIC - CALIFORNIA
PRINCIPAL OFFICE IN
TULARE COUNTY

David H. Laughlin, Notary Public
My commission expires: 2-10-70.

DAVID H. LAUGHLIN
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DESCRIPTION:

Those portions of Sections 4 and 5, Township 18 South, Range 26 East, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian, in the County of Tulare, State of California, as per licensed Survey recorded April 14, 1947 in Book 8, Page 28 of licensed surveys in the office of the County Recorder of said county, described as follows:

BEGINNING at the Southwest corner of the Southeast quarter of said Section 5, which point bears North 89° 53' 30" East, 2619.05 feet from the Southwest corner of said Section 5; thence North 0° 21' 5" West, 2625.91 feet to the center of said Section 5; thence North 55° 35' 20" East, 133.79 feet; thence South 5° 48' 30" West, 76.0 feet; thence South 5° 11' 30" East, 468.5 feet; thence South 62° 35' 30" East, 388.5 feet; thence South 36° 22' 20" East, 638.6 feet; thence South 33° 31' East 36.30 feet; thence North 26° 39' East 47.00 feet; thence North 3° 53' West 342.50 feet; thence North 2° 43' West 135.35 feet; thence North 0° 33' East 141.65 feet; thence North 7° 37' East 120.85 feet; thence North 10° 26' East 114.96 feet; thence North 20° 04' East 104.95 feet; thence North 27° 27' East 203.83 feet; thence North 22° 50' East 123.94 feet; thence North 40° 10' 30" East, 158.20 feet; thence North 57° 04' 30" East, 372.96 feet; thence North 68° 47' 30" East, 238.9 feet; thence North 83° 51' 30" East, 523.8 feet; thence North 66° 10' 30" East, 230.3 feet; thence North 80° 33' 30" East, 647.4 feet; thence North 71° 18' 30" East, 766.63 feet; thence North 76° 53' 30" East, 470.5 feet; thence North 83° 58' 30" East, 240.3 feet; thence South 64° 40' 30" East, 184.9 feet; thence South 60° 36' 30" East, 154.4 feet; thence South 17° 44' 30" East, 197.2 feet; thence South 4° 48' 30" East, 727.42 feet; thence South 0° 12' 30" East, 448.0 feet; thence South 17° 48' 30" West, 399.0 feet; thence South 33° 06' 30" West, 307.2 feet; thence South 49° 16' 30" West, 210.9 feet; thence South 67° 49' 30" West, 282.3 feet; thence South 88° 41' 26" West, 280.77 feet; thence South 0° 3' 20" East, 1311.70 feet to the Southeast corner of the Southwest quarter of the Southwest quarter of said Section 4; thence South 88° 48' West, 1316.57 feet to the Southwest corner of said Section 4; thence South 89° 48' 40" West, 2614.20 feet to the point of beginning.

TOGETHER with all appurtenances thereto and all easements, rights of way and rights of ingress and egress to and from said real property, if any.

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MINING LEASE

1. PARTIES:

The parties to this agreement are LEORA S. BAUMANN of 2201 East Howard, Visalia, California, telephone, 732-8705, hereinafter referred to as "lessor" and TOMMY BRYAN and DELORIS ELAINE BRYAN of 2214 East Howard, Visalia, California, telephone, 732-5168, hereinafter referred to as "lessees".

2. PROPERTY:

The real property which is the subject of this lease is located in Sections 4 and 5, Township 18 South, Range 26 East, M. D. B. & M. and is particularly described on Exhibit "A" attached hereto.

3. TERM:

The term of this lease shall be for fifty (50) years.

4. PURPOSES:

The purposes of this lease are for the exploration and mining of all minerals and mineral by-products, including gas, oil and other hydrocarbon substances and during the term hereof lessees shall have the right to mine, process and remove all such mineral and hydrocarbon substances.

5. ASSIGNMENT AND SUBLEASE:

It is contemplated that lessees hereunder will shortly assign to a joint venture consisting of themselves, ROBERT L. GOLDSMITH and his wife, GRACE J. GOLDSMITH, of 17410 Millwood Drive, Visalia, California, telephone, 798-0301, and MILBERN V. ADAMS and PLUMA LEA ADAMS, his wife, of 14314 Avenue 364, Visalia, California, telephone, 734-2089. With the exception of such contemplated assignment, it is understood and agreed that this lease shall not be assignable either voluntarily or by operation of law without the

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prior written consent of lessor.

6. PRIOR TERMINATION:

It is contemplated that lessees or their joint venture will commence mining operations on the subject property within one year and if such operations shall not commence within that time, this lease shall terminate. After the commencement of mining operations on the subject premises, it is contemplated that they will continue during the balance of the term of this lease; however, should mining operations not be conducted upon the subject premises for a period of three years, this lease shall terminate and lessees and their assigns shall quitclaim their interest back to lessor.

7. TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS:

Lessor shall pay all taxes and assessments levied against the demised premises. Commencing January 1, 1971, lessees shall pay to lessor a cash rent in advance equal to the amount of taxes and assessments levied against the subject premises for fiscal year 1970/1971, and on the first day of January of each year thereafter during the continuance of this lease shall make a similar rental payment to lessor; provided further that prior to January 1, 1971, lessees will reimburse lessor for any increase in the taxes and assessments levied against the subject premises using the 1967/1968 tax assessment as a base.

8. LAWS AND REGULATIONS:

During the continuance of this lease, lessees agree to conform to and abide by all the laws, rules and regulations existing or hereinafter enacted by federal, state or local authorities and concerning the use and operation of the subject premises under this lease.

9. SAVE HARMLESS:

Lessees agree to maintain liability insurance on the operations carried on on the subject premises and to obtain an endorsement in favor of lessor as to her non-delegable landlord's

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liability. Lessor shall reimburse lessees for the cost of such endorsement. This policy shall implement lessee's undertaking here that at all times during the continuance of this lease they will pay and discharge and save lessor harmless from any loss, cost, charge or expense growing out of or relating to lessees' activities upon the subject premises or concerning loss or injury to the person or property of any one resulting from lessees' use and occupancy of the subject premises.

10. FARMING:ACTIVITY:

It is contemplated that lessees' mining operations will not initially cover the whole of the premises here leased, and it is understood and agreed between the parties that until such time as lessees needs any particular portion of the premises for their mining operations, lessor shall be permitted the use of that portion not being used by lessees for grazing and other farm purposes of lessor, and in this particular, lessees agree to maintain a fence around the portion being used for mining sufficient to protect them from grazing cattle.

11. REMOVAL OF IMPROVEMENTS:

At the termination of this lease for any cause, lessees shall have the right and the obligation to remove such equipment, machinery and fixtures as they may have brought upon the premises for mining operations.

12. SURVEY INFORMATION:

At the conclusion of this lease lessees will provide to lessor all information in their possession or under their control concerning the results of survey work upon the subject premises.

13. SUCCESSORS:

Except as hereinabove otherwise expressly provided, this lease shall be binding upon the heirs, successors and assigns of the parties.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF we have hereunto set our hands this 2nd day of May, 1968.

Leora S. Baumann
Leora S. Baumann

Tommy Bryan
Tommy Bryan

Deloris Elaine Bryan
Deloris Elaine Bryan

STATE OF CALIFORNIA }ss
COUNTY OF TULARE }

On May 2, 1968, personally appeared before me, LEORA S. BAUMANN known to me to be the person who executed the above Mining Lease and she acknowledged to me that she executed the same.

DAVID H. LAUGHLIN
NOTARY PUBLIC
PRINCIPAL OFFICE
TULARE COUNTY

David H. Laughlin
David H. Laughlin, Notary Public
My commission expires: 2-10-70.

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DESCRIPTION:

Those portions of Sections 4 and 5, Township 18 South, Range 26 East, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian, in the County of Tulare, State of California, as per licensed Survey recorded April 14, 1947 in Book 8, Page 28 of licensed surveys in the office of the County Recorder of said county, described as follows:

BEGINNING at the Southwest corner of the Southeast quarter of said Section 5, which point bears North 89° 53' 30" East, 2619.05 feet from the Southwest corner of said Section 5; thence North 0° 21' 5" West, 2625.91 feet to the center of said Section 5; thence North 55° 35' 20" East, 133.79 feet; thence South 5° 48' 30" West, 76.0 feet; thence South 5° 11' 30" East, 468.5 feet; thence South 62° 35' 30" East, 388.5 feet; thence South 36° 22' 20" East, 638.6 feet; thence South 33° 31' East 36.30 feet; thence North 26° 39' East 47.00 feet; thence North 3° 53' West 342.50 feet; thence North 2° 43' West 135.35 feet; thence North 0° 33' East 141.65 feet; thence North 7° 37' East 120.85 feet; thence North 10° 26' East 114.96 feet; thence North 20° 04' East 104.95 feet; thence North 27° 27' East 203.83 feet; thence North 22° 50' East 123.94 feet; thence North 40° 10' 30" East, 158.20 feet; thence North 57° 04' 30" East, 372.96 feet; thence North 68° 47' 30" East, 238.9 feet; thence North 83° 51' 30" East, 523.8 feet; thence North 66° 10' 30" East, 230.3 feet; thence North 80° 33' 30" East, 647.4 feet; thence North 71° 18' 30" East, 766.63 feet; thence North 76° 53' 30" East, 470.5 feet; thence North 83° 58' 30" East, 240.3 feet; thence South 64° 40' 30" East, 184.9 feet; thence South 60° 36' 30" East, 154.4 feet; thence South 17° 44' 30" East, 197.2 feet; thence South 4° 48' 30" East, 727.42 feet; thence South 0° 12' 30" East, 448.0 feet; thence South 17° 48' 30" West, 399.0 feet; thence South 33° 06' 30" West, 307.2 feet; thence South 49° 16' 30" West, 210.9 feet; thence South 67° 49' 30" West, 282.3 feet; thence South 88° 41' 26" West, 280.77 feet; thence South 0° 3' 20" East, 1311.70 feet to the Southeast corner of the Southwest quarter of the Southwest quarter of said Section 4; thence South 88° 48' West, 1316.57 feet to the Southwest corner of said Section 4; thence South 89° 48' 40" West, 2614.20 feet to the point of beginning.

TOGETHER with all appurtenances thereto and all easements, rights of way and rights of ingress and egress to and from said real property, if any.

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VISALIA BRANCH, 101 W. MAIN STREET, VISALIA, CALIFORNIA · PHONE (209) 732-9111

MAILING ADDRESS: POST OFFICE BOX 191, VISALIA, CALIFORNIA 93277

November 18, 1968

Mr. Robert Goldsmith
17410 Millwood Drive
Visalia, California 93277

Dear Mr. Goldsmith:

We have considered your application for a $200,000.00 loan to cover exploration costs of mineral deposits in Venice Hill. We regret we are unable to comply with your request for these funds, as this bank is not making speculative loans of this nature.

Sincerely yours,

G. B. Callahan
Asst. Vice President

GBC/gj

ROBERT L. GOLDSMITH
17410 MILLWOOD DRIVE
VISALIA, CALIFORNIA

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Bank of America
NATIONAL TRUST AND SAVINGS ASSOCIATION

VISALIA BRANCH • 128 EAST MAIN STREET • VISALIA, CALIFORNIA 93278

ERICH J. ERICHSEN
VICE PRESIDENT AND MANAGER

November 15, 1968

Mr. Robert Goldsmith
and Mr. M. V. Adams
14314 Avenue 364
Visalia, California

Gentlemen:

This is in response to Mr. Adam's application for a $200,000 loan for the purpose of exploratory and mining equipment for use on the property which has been described as parts of Sections 4 and 5, Township 18, Range 26, located in the vicinity of Venice Hill.

We regret not being in a position to approve such a loan request because of the nature of the security not meeting Bank's requirements.

Sincerely,

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ROBERT L. GOLDSMITH
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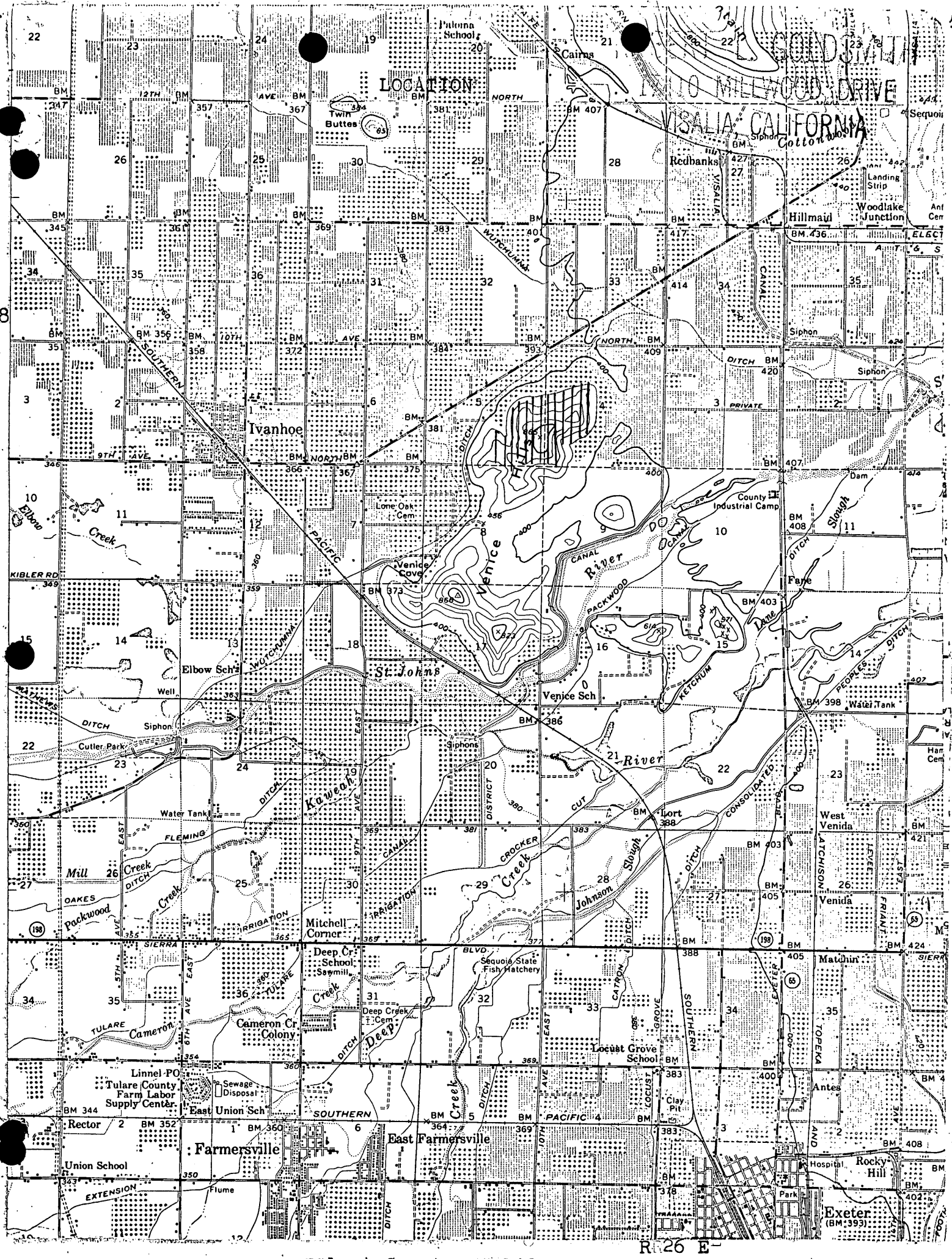
VISALIA, CALIFORNIA



Tulare County, California

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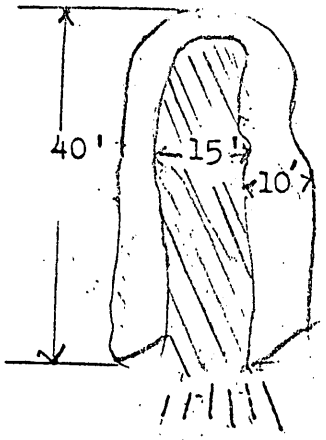
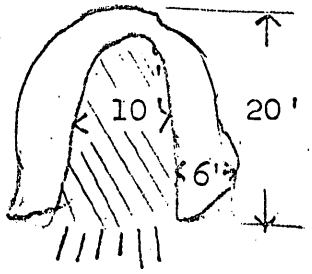
Pit # 5'
1700' E. of stone house dwelling and 106' N. of E.-W. fence line. El. 660'





600 tons
Quarried

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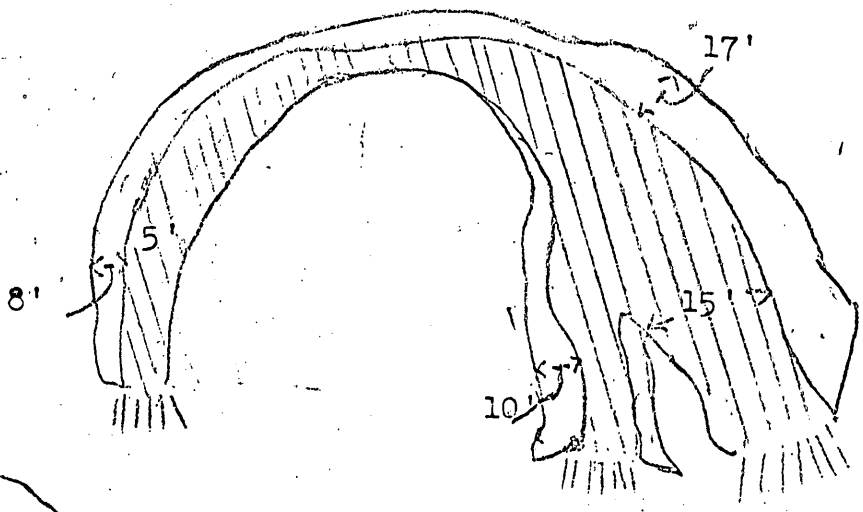
Pit # 5'' 80 feet
NE of pit # 5. El. 710'



897 tons
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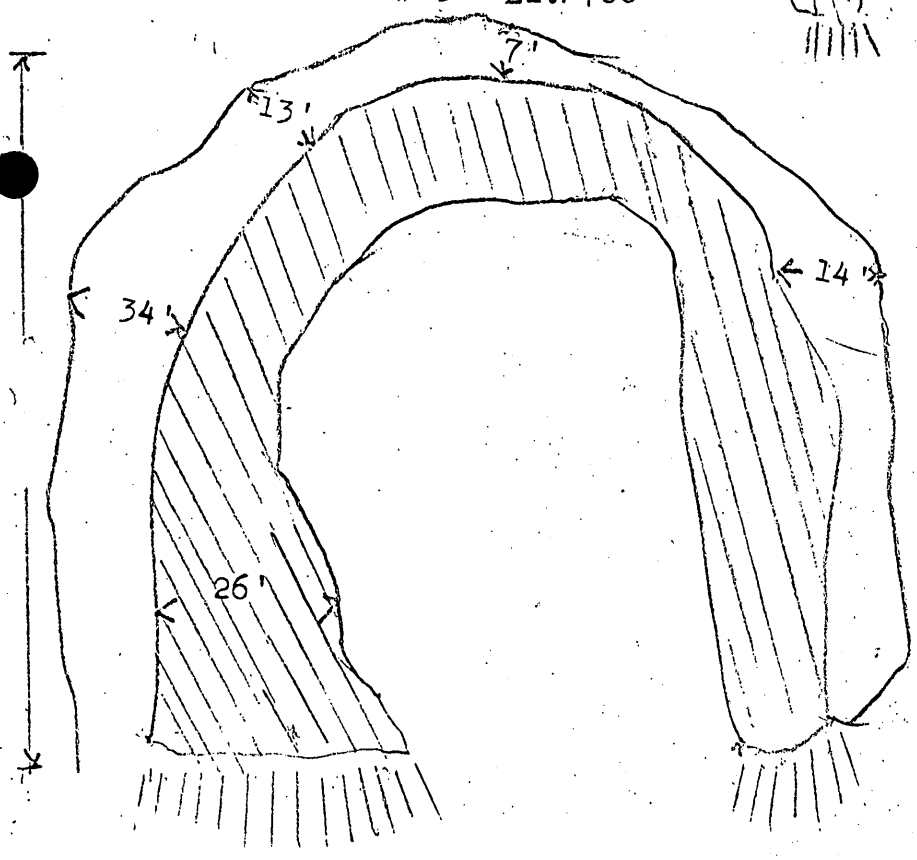
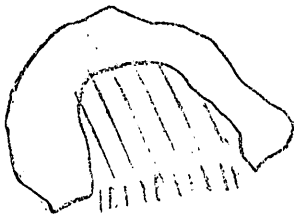
Pit # 5 238 feet
N. E of Pit # 5' El. 700'



4,240 tons
Quarried

57 random pits



9 160 tons
343' E of #5 60 " Prospect
220 tons
Quarried

Approximately 6,000 tons quarried 10-68

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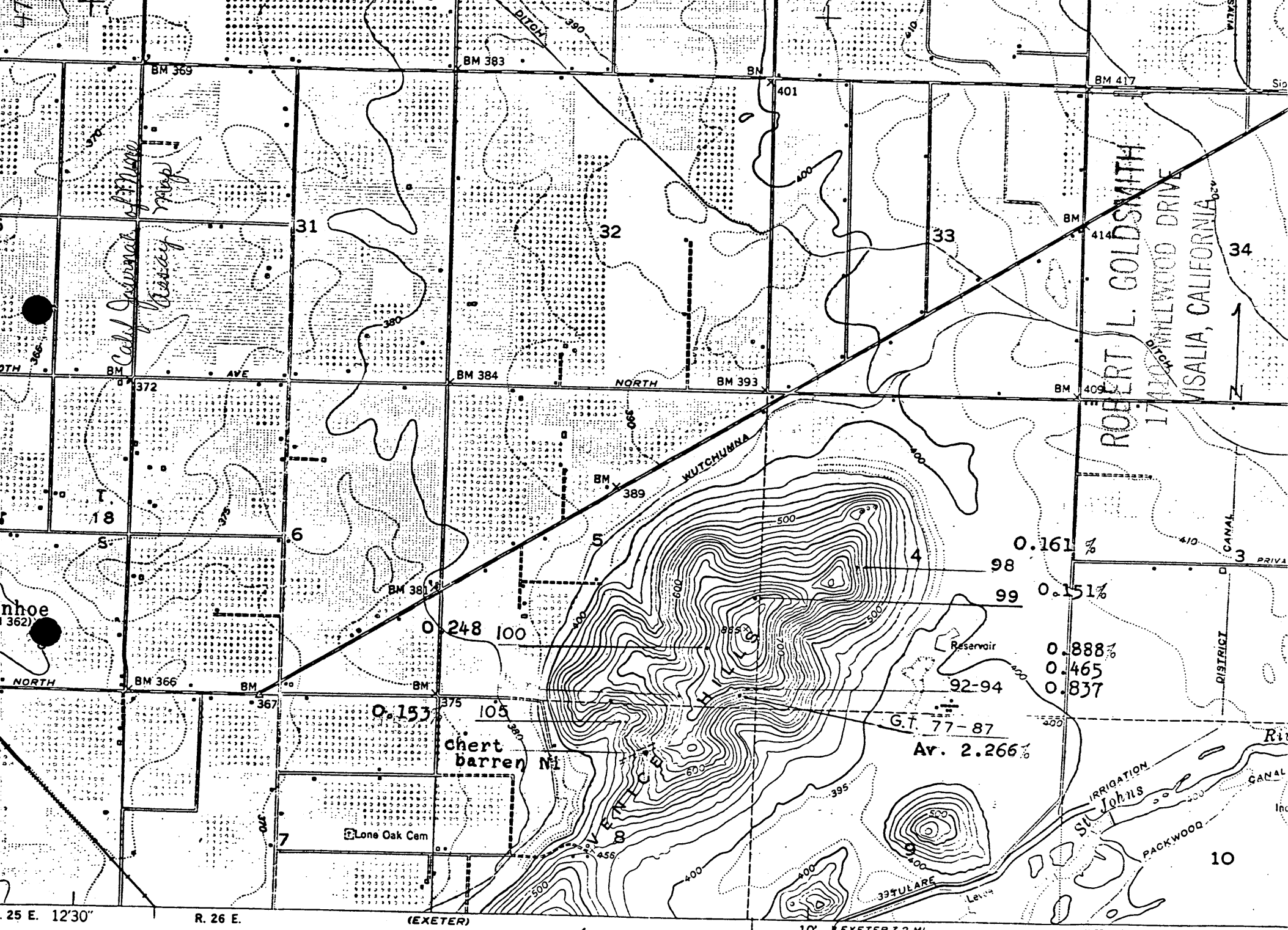

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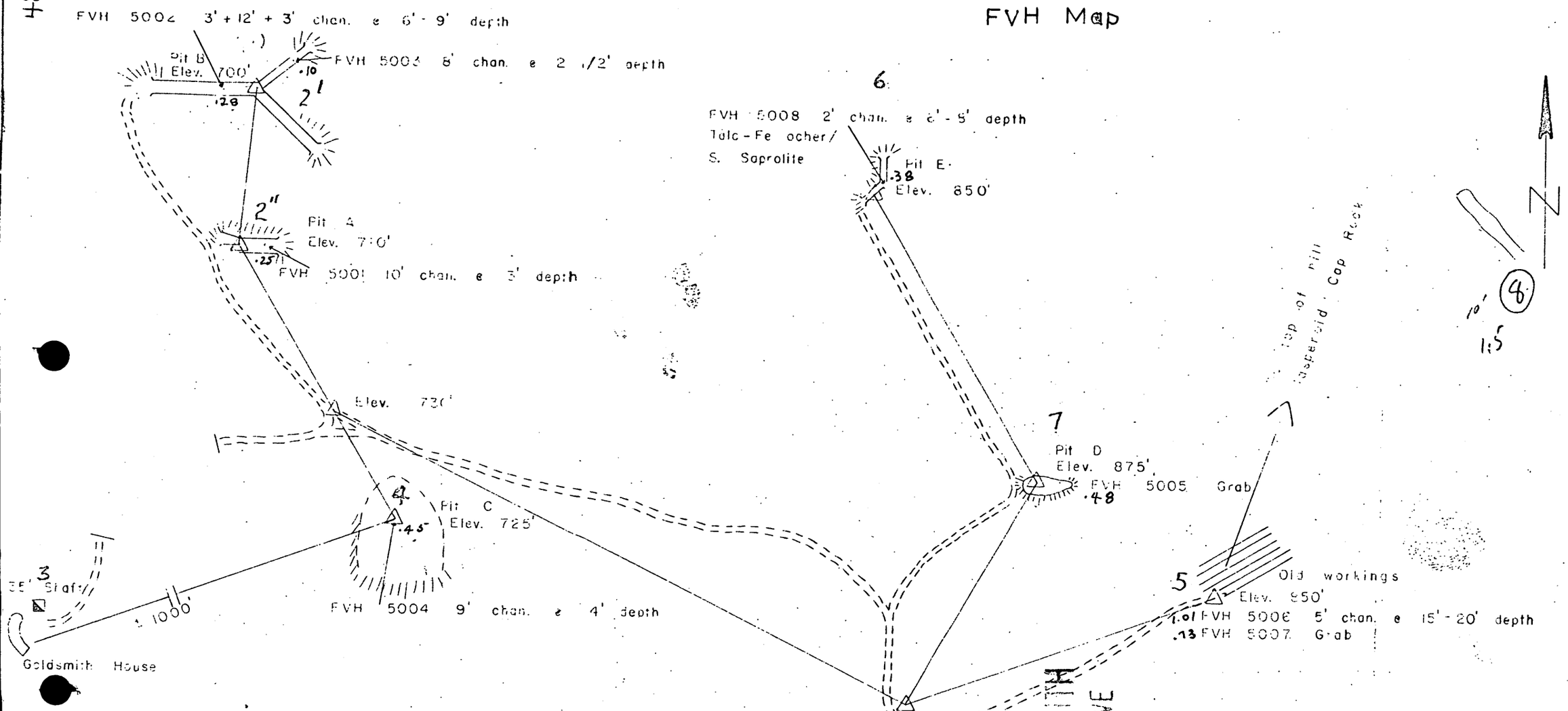
FVH Map



FVH 5001	- 0.25%	FVH 5005	- 0.48%
FVH 5002	- 0.28%	FVH 5006	- 1.01%
FVH 5003	- 0.10%	FVH 5007	- 0.73%
FVH 5004	- 0.45%	FVH 5008	- 0.38%

ROBERT L. GOLDSMITH
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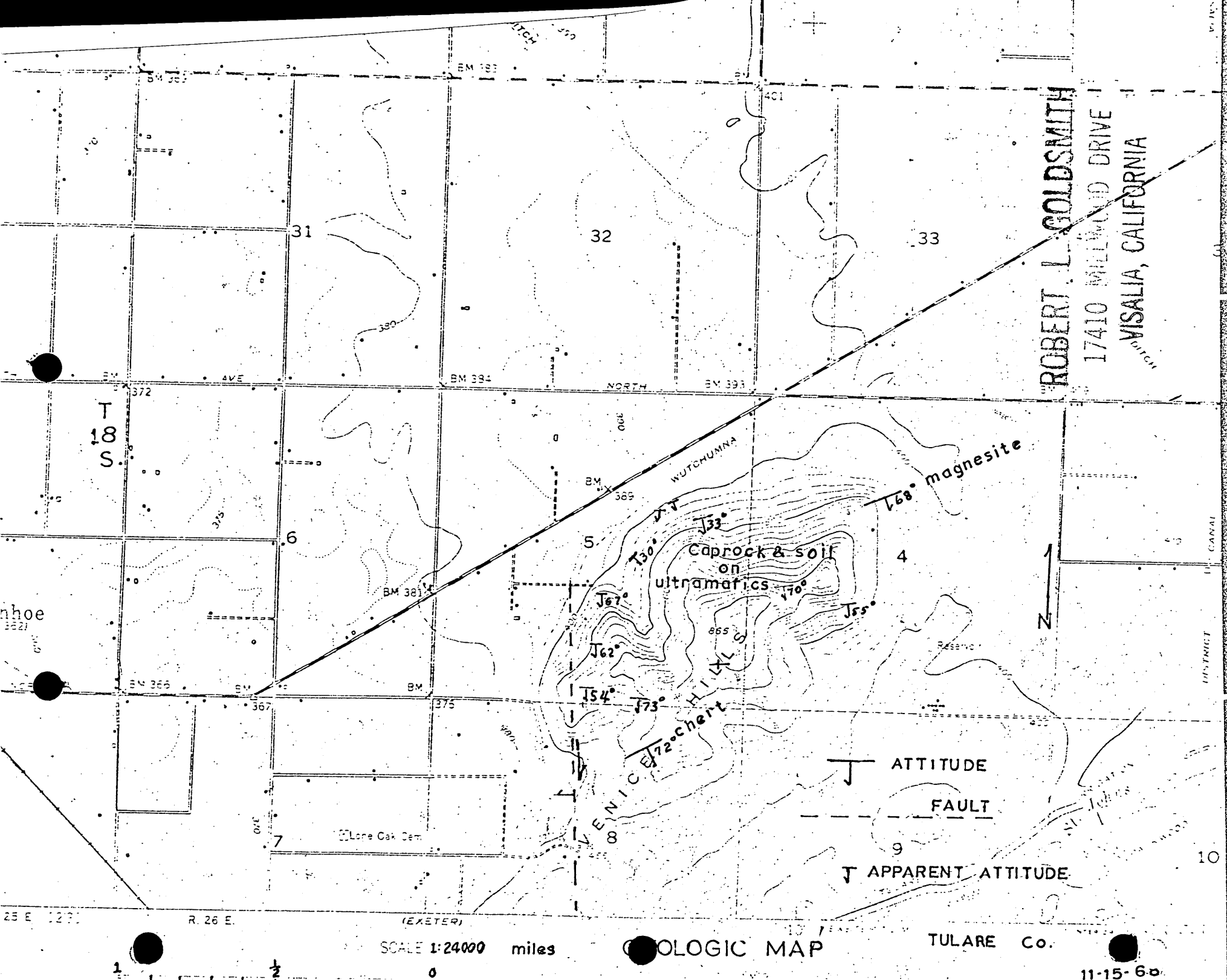
VENICE HILLS

Secs. 1,5,8 T17S R26E

Scale 1" = 200'

Date: Sept. 1968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VISALIA, CALIFORNIA
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AVE
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BM 389
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BM 384
BM 393
Caprock & soil on ultramafics
J68° magnesite
J33°
J30°
J70°
J55°
J67°
J62°
J54°
J73°
J72° chert
VENICE HILLS
Lone Oak Cem
R. 26 E.
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SCALE 1:24000 miles
GEOLOGIC MAP
TULARE Co.
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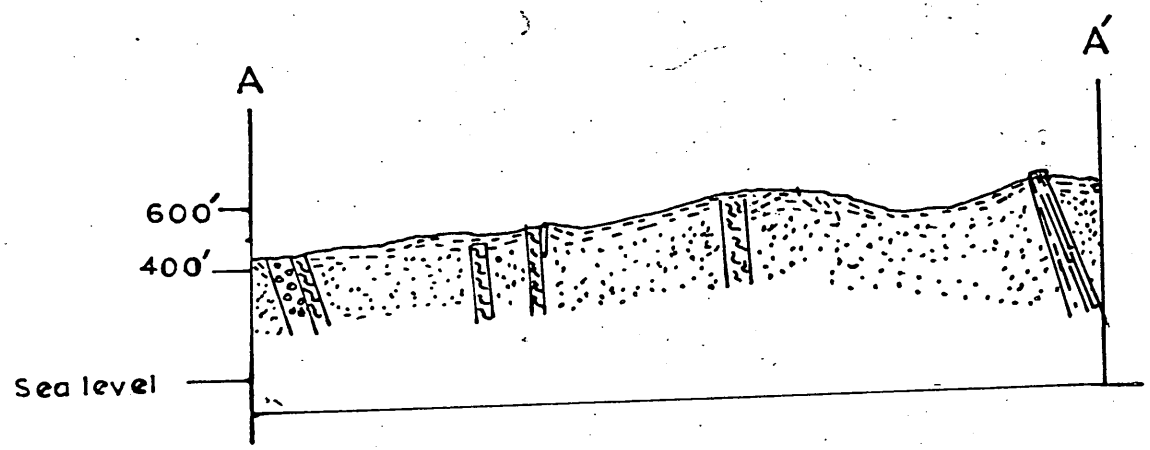
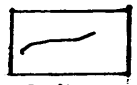


Geologic cross section

Venice Pk., Venice Hills
Tulare County, California

EXPLANATION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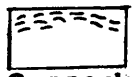
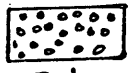

Caprock

TERTIARY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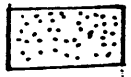
(cellular)


Serpentinite
(talc & caprock
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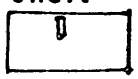
Manganiferous
chert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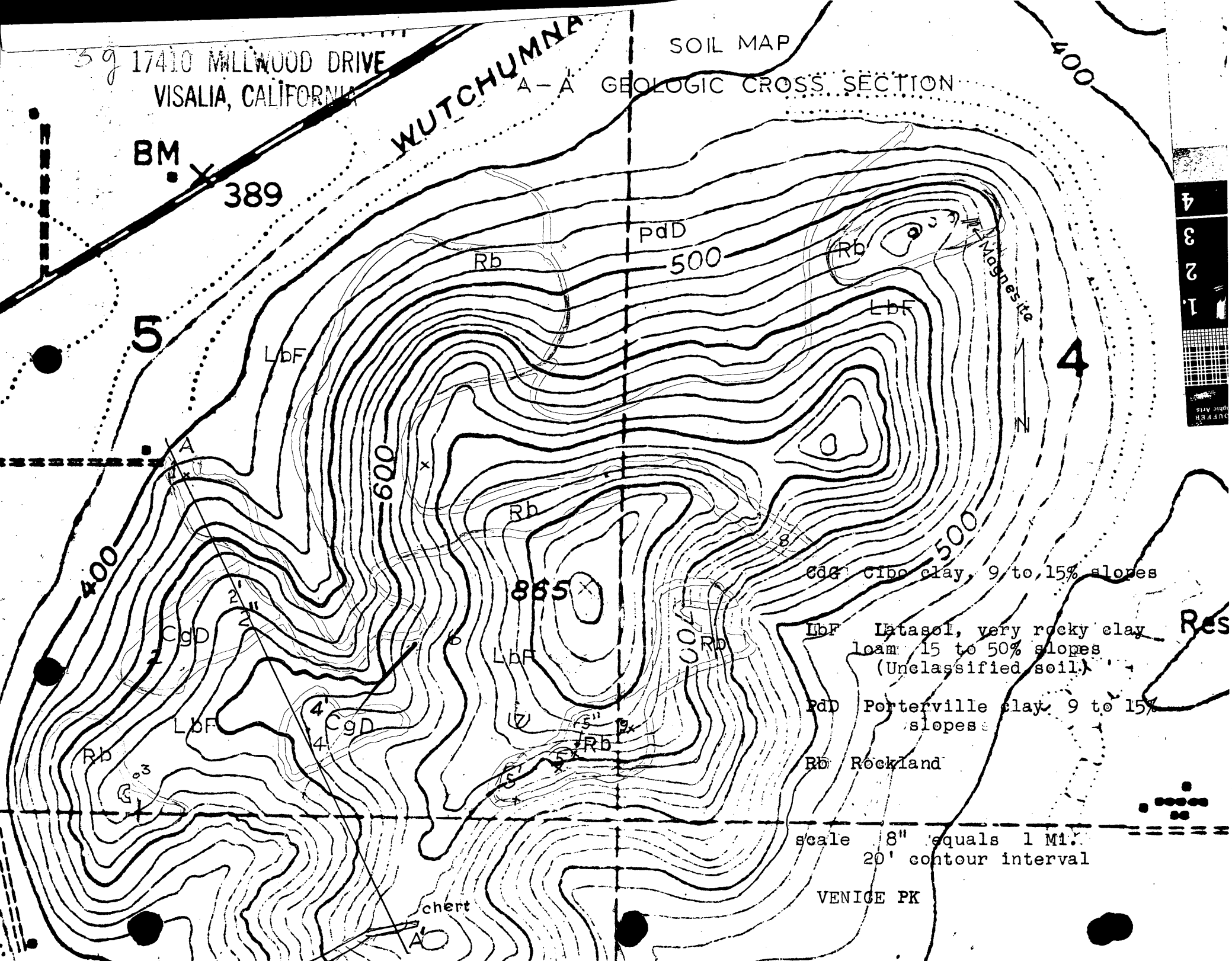
SOIL MAP
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VISALIA, CALIFORNIA
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PdD
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Rb
LbF
Magnesite
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865
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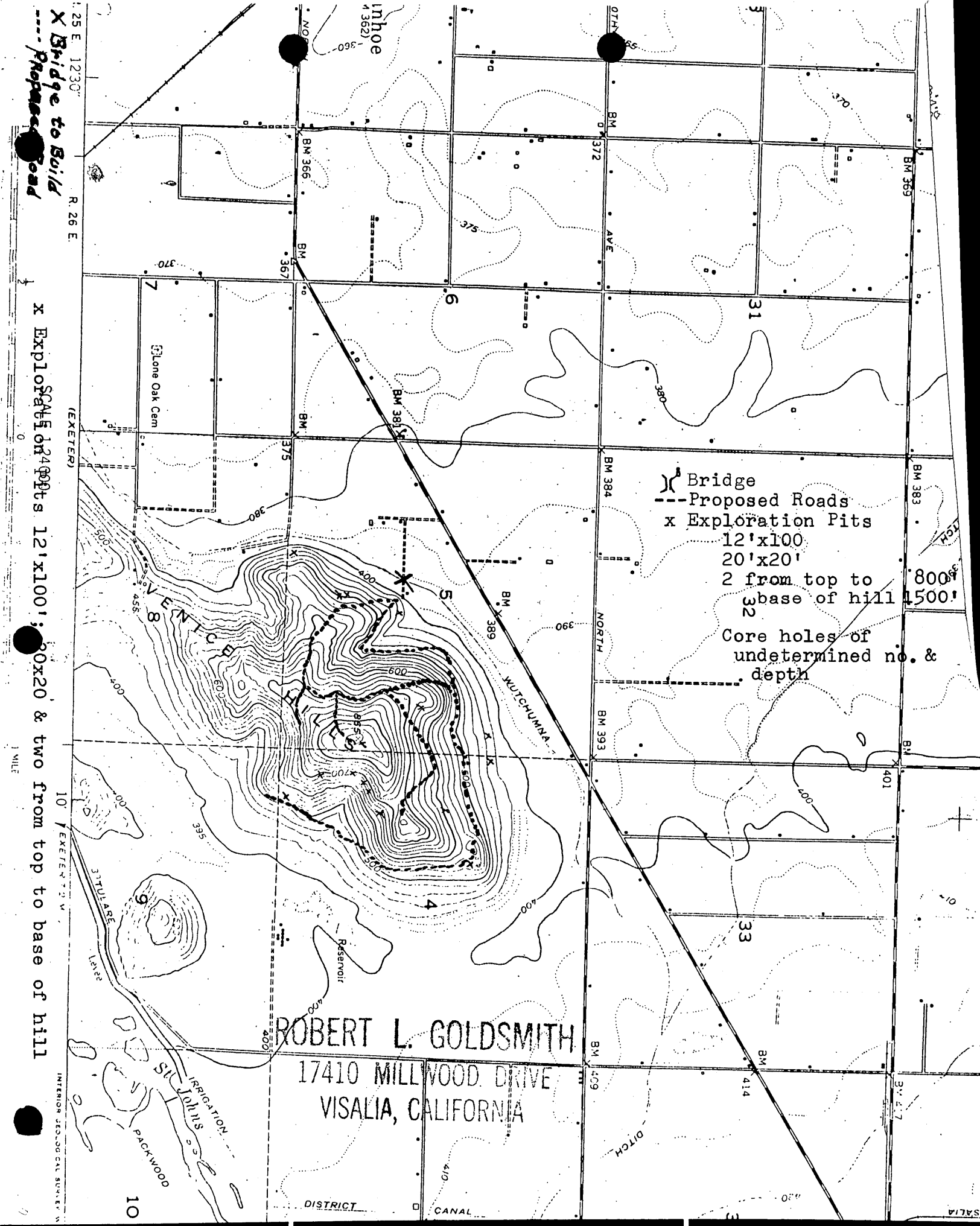
CgD
chert
A
A'
N
Cdc Cibo clay, 9 to 15% slopes
LbF Latasol, very rocky clay loam 15 to 50% slopes (Unclassified soil)
PdD Porterville clay 9 to 15% slopes
Rb Rockland
scale 8" equals 1 Mi.
20' contour interval
VENICE PK



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Robert L. Goldsmith
M.V. Adams
P.O. 266
Ivanhoe, California 93277

7. Estimated Costs:

a. Drilling per foot Contract	$25.00	$ 90,000.00
b Drifting per foot Contract	$45.00	100,000.00
c. Bulldozing per hr. Rent	$25.00	25,000.00
d. Small tools (shovels, hammers, bars, chisels)		100.00
e. Assays		10,000.00
f. Geologists & Mining Engineer		5,000.00
g. Roads & Bridge		10,000.00
h. Back-hoe Rent		2,000.00
i. Skiploader & Scraper Rent		2,000.00
j. Housing for small tools		100.00
k. Compressor & drill, powder		10,000.00
TOTAL COSTS		$244,200.00

W. L. Emerick

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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF MINES
Salt Lake City Metallurgy Research Center

1600 EAST FIRST SOUTH STREET
SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH 84112

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May 26, 1969

Mr. Robert L. Goldsmith
P. O. Box 266
Ivanhoe, California 93235

Dear Mr. Goldsmith:

Mr. W. L. Emerick of the U. S. Geological Survey, asked that we get in touch with you about processing of nickel ores from your property.

We would be pleased to offer advice as to possible ore treatment. To do so, we will need to know something about the size and composition of the deposit. Information on the minerals and metals in the ore is essential. Also, if prior attempts have been made to treat the ore, perhaps you could tell us about them.

If you think it worthwhile, you might send us a few lumps or fragments of typical ore material.

Sincerely yours,

Joe B. Rosenbaum
Research Director

cc: L. R. Furlong
W. L. Emerick, USGS
D. R. Irving

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AIRMAIL

Mr. Robert L. Goldsmith and
Mr. Melbern V. Adams
P. O. Box 266
Ivanhoe, California 93235

Re: OME-6762 (Nickel)
Robert L. Goldsmith and
Melbern V. Adams
Baumann Property
Tulare County, California

Gentlemen:

This will acknowledge your letter of May 15 requesting that we continue to hold the subject application in our active files an indefinite period pending development of an economical method of processing the nickel ore from your property.

For administrative and fiscal reasons this office cannot defer action on an application indefinitely. Therefore, we are considering the application as having been withdrawn and placing it in our inactive files.

We shall be pleased to reopen the case at anytime in the future. It will be necessary for you to file a new application, referring to this OME docket number, and furnishing the information requested in the application form pertinent to the new proposal. The information should include new bank letters dated within 90 days of the filing of the new application. Information we have retained need not be repeated.

In response to your inquiry concerning the treatment of nickel ores from the property, we are forwarding a copy of your letter to Mr. Joe B. Rosenbaum, Research Director, U. S. Bureau of Mines, Metallury Research Center, 1600 East 1st South Street, Salt Lake City, Utah 84112. Perhaps Mr. Rosenbaum can be of assistance to you in this matter. You should be hearing from him shortly.

The three photographs, geologic report, and numerous spectrographic reports are being returned to you as requested. We have retained the copies of the non-technical material in accordance with the General Instructions on the application form.

Sincerely yours,

William L. Emerick (gfa)

W. L. Emerick
For: Harold Kirkemo, Chief
Office of Minerals Exploration

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AIRMAIL

Mr. Joe B. Rosenbaum
Research Director
U. S. Bureau of Mines
Metallury Research Center
1600 East 1st South Street
Salt Lake City, Utah 84112

MAY 22 1969

Re: OME-6762 (Nickel)
Robert L. Goldsmith and
Melbern V. Adams
Baumann Property
Tulare County, California

Dear Mr. Rosenbaum:

At the suggestion of Mr. Max Spendlove we are referring the enclosed correspondence with Mr. Robert Goldsmith, who has applied to the Office of Minerals Exploration for financial assistance in exploring his property for nickel, to you for further consideration. Perhaps you can be of assistance to Goldsmith regarding his inquiry about the processing of nickel ores from the property.

Sincerely yours,

William L. Emerick (gla)

W. L. Emerick
For: Harold Kirkemo, Chief
Office of Minerals Exploration

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Mr. Peterson

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OME-6762
P.O. Box 266
Ivanhoe, California 93235
May 15, 1969

Department of the Interior
Geological Survey
Washington, D. C. 20242

Attention : Mr. Harold Kirkemo

Dear Sir;

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We have many times been ready to submit a program to you, but we find that our money is short. At the time we were planning on forming a company to continue on a full scale.. We have continued on without spending too much money and have made remarkable progress.

A reliable geologist states that we have from 100 million to 150 million tons of nickel ore ranging from high grade to low grade ore, and proof that it runs to a depth of 240'.

The help we now seek is an economical method, or process for this ore. If you have any expert men in this field who could be of assistance to us we would deeply appreciate hearing from them. We feel that the U.S. could use a nickel deposit within her own borders and the one we have here seems most exciting.

Thank you for bearing with us, if you feel that you wish to pidgeon hole this until a later time, assist us, or return the reports to us until a final decision can be reached by us on a revised schedule, we do appreciate cooperation and hope to continue to enjoy such.

Sincerely

Robert L. Goldsmith

Robert L. Goldsmith

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P. O. Box 266
Ivanhoe, California 93235

MAY 12 1969

Re: OME-6762 (Nickel)
Robert L. Goldsmith and
Melbern V. Adams
Baumann Property
Tulare County, California

Gentlemen:

We have not heard from you since your letter of February 12. Will you please advise us when we may expect to receive the requested data.

We wish to cooperate fully in allowing you ample time to secure this material; however, we cannot indefinitely postpone action on an application.

Sincerely yours,

Harold Kirkemo (gla)

Harold Kirkemo, Chief
Office of Minerals Exploration

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P.O.Box 266
Ivanhoe, California 93235
February 12, 1969

United States Department of Interior
Geological Survey
Office of Minerals Exploration
Washington, D.C. 20242

Dear Mr. Johnson;

Yes, we do plan to continue the development of this property!

We are sorry for the delay in answering your letter requesting further information. Getting the necessary information to you has been delayed mainly by the weather conditions existing in the central valley and southern California. Also, this Venice Hill area is quite removed from most mining districts and finding someone with the knowledge of nickel to some degree is difficult. We now have most of this information gathered and will mail it on to you soon. We hope that it will be the information you will need to complete our loan package.

We would like to mention that we are in the process of leasing additional land that will be beneficial to our over-all program.

Several companies have sent their field geologist to look over our property. One report, by telephone has substantiated our optimism. The others we have not yet heard from.

Again we would like to apologize the delay.

Sincerely,

Robert L. Goldsmith

Robert L. Goldsmith

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AIRMAIL

FEB 4 1969

Mr. Robert L. Goldsmith and
Mr. Melbern V. Adams
P. O. Box 266
Ivanhoe, California 93235

Re: OME-6762 (Nickel)
Robert L. Goldsmith and
Melbern V. Adams
Baumann Property
Tulare County, California

Gentlemen:

On December 3, 1968, we wrote you outlining certain information which is necessary to continue the processing of your application. To date, we have not received these data. Will you please inform us of your plans regarding the application. If you have decided not to pursue it further, please so inform us.

Sincerely yours,

FRANK E. JOHNSON (gla)

Frank E. Johnson
Chief, Office of
Minerals Exploration

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AIRMAIL

Mr. Robert L. Goldsmith and
Mr. Melbern V. Adams
P. O. Box 266
Ivanhoe, California 93235

Re: OMX-6762 (Nickel)
Robert L. Goldsmith and
Melbern V. Adams
Baumann Property
Tulare County, California

Gentlemen:

Our review of your application for financial assistance indicates that the following additional information is needed to continue its processing.

Furnish copies of your letters to the two banks requesting an exploration loan. The letters should state the amount of the loan (estimated Government participation), purpose, date, and terms requested.

In the event of an exploration contract, state how the partnership proposes to furnish its share of the project costs (50 percent of the estimated cost). It should be noted that funds are not paid in advance to the Operator under an OMX contract. Rather, the Government pays its share of the cost at the end of each month after a voucher for the expenses incurred has been submitted and approved. As it usually takes two or three weeks to process such a voucher, an Applicant, therefore, should have sufficient funds readily available to pay all the costs of the work for the first two or three months.

Since the partnership does not own the land where work is contemplated, it will be necessary for you to furnish the required Lien and Subordination Agreements signed by Leora S. Baumann, the lessor, and Tommy Bryan, and Deloris Elaine Bryan, who retain a 1/3 interest in the property. In addition, we will require a copy

of the document assigning the rights of Robert and Grace Goldsmith, and Milbern and Pluma Adams,* who are also listed as lessees of the property, to the partnership. Lien and Subordination Agreements (six copies MME Form 52) are enclosed for your possible use.

Supply a detailed estimate of the necessary costs for the proposed work. These costs should be distributed as follows for the work to be performed: (1) supervision and engineering, (2) labor, (3) supplies and materials, and (4) equipment. For work to be contracted (bulldozing, drilling, cost drifting, etc.), estimates must be supported by bids from three contractors for each item of work if possible.

The proposed work should be described fully, indicating the specific geologic targets you wish to test, and give individual locations and footages for each item of work.

A map or sketch showing the property boundaries and the present workings and proposed exploration is required.

Furnish details regarding beneficiation tests that may have been performed on ore samples taken from the potential deposit. Also comment on the disposition of the 6,000 tons of material quarried from the five pits. Are any reserves indicated?

We shall be pleased to continue the processing of your application upon receipt of the requested information. However, nothing in this letter should be construed as a commitment by the Government to grant an exploration contract.

Sincerely yours,

FRANK E. JOHNSON (gla)

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Chief, Office of
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November 29, 1968

Mr. Robert L. Goldsmith and
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P. O. Box 266
Ivanhoe, California 93235

Subject: OME-6762

Gentlemen:

Your application for exploration assistance, dated November 20, 1968, submitted to our office at Menlo Park, California, has been assigned Docket No. OME-6762.

Please identify all future correspondence relating to your application by this docket number.

Sincerely yours,

Frank E. Johnson
Chief, Office of
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