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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
DEFENSE MINERALS EXPLORATION ADMINISTRATION
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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Messrs. John A. Williams
and William D. Williams
Post Office Box 31
Montrose, Colorado

Re: Docket No. DMEA-4053 (Uranium)
Sunset group of claims
Gunnison County, Colorado

Gentlemen:

Reference is made to your application for Government aid in an exploration project on the above-named claims.

Projects approved by the Defense Minerals Exploration Administration must, in its judgment, show definite promise of yielding materials of acceptable grade in quantities that will significantly improve the mineral supply position for the National Defense Program.

Careful study of all our information, although noting the occurrence of minor radioactivity in small areas of the subject claims, indicates to us that the possibility of disclosing significant ore reserves is not sufficiently promising to justify Government participation in an exploration project. We regret to advise you that, under these circumstances, your application for exploration assistance is denied.

We wish to thank you for your interest in the Defense Minerals Program and for bringing your property to our attention.

Sincerely yours,

C. O. Mu[illegible]

Administrator

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DMEA Field Team, Region III (2)
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Mr. W. D. Williams

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SUMMARY OF PROPOSED PROJECT

Object: Denial of application for exploration aid.

Docket No.: DMEA-4053

Commodity: Uranium

Applicant: J. A. and W. D. Williams
P. O. Box 31
Montrose, Colorado

Property: Owners' of Sunset group of 5 claims situated in the SW$\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 7 and the NW$\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 18, T. 47 N., R. 1 W., N.M.P.M., Gunnison County, Colorado

Date of Application: October 31, 1955

Referred to Field Team: November 21, 1955

Field Examination made: November 16, 1955 in conjunction with other DMEA work.

Field Team Report Received: January 19, 1955

Amount of Application: $74,916.40

Work Proposed:

Stage I - 26 core drill holes ...	5,200	feet
Stage II- 13 core drill holes ...	2,600	feet
Total Drilling	7,800	feet

Under Stage I average estimated depth of holes given as 200 feet. Depth of holes for Stage II not stated.

Estimated Costs: (17 month program)

Access roads - bulldozer 2 days @ $100/day	$200.00	
Labor and Supervision	27,744.00	
Engineering and Consultants	5,000.00	
Operating materials and supplies	11,244.40	
Operating equipment	28,358.00	
Rehabilitation and repairs (jeep)	300.00	
Rehabilitation bunkhouse & dining hall	1,000.00	
Maintenance of drill rig	900.00	
Maintenance of jeep	170.00	
Total		$74,916.40

Excerpts from Field Team Report:

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The results of radioactivity measurements made over the claim group and in nearby areas indicate that there are no significant radioactive deposits on the Applicants' property. No uranium or thorium minerals could be detected in any of the material collected from the immediate area and no mineralized structures are exposed that might control the erratic distribution of the weak, radioactivity anomalies noted. It is concluded that the radioactivity noted is due to the normal trace uranium and thorium content of the country rock.

It is recommended the application be denied because the proposed drilling is considered prospecting, and the area is unfavorable.

Commodity Members' Comments:

USGS, N. E. Nelson, January 24, 1956:

Agrees with conclusions of the field examiners and concurs in denial of the application.

USBM, J. E. Crawford, January 27, 1956:

Concurs in Field Team's recommendation to deny the subject application.

Rare and Miscellaneous Metals Division, F. M. Murphy, February 1, 1956:

The field examination of the subject property indicated that the proposed project to explore for uranium or thorium deposits has no justification. The Applicant reported radiometric assays of .01 to .06% eU_3O_8 on uraniferous rocks from the area. The field examiners reported recording some scattered, weak, anomaly readings on the subject claims, but no uranium or thorium minerals could be found in the samples taken.

This Division recommends that the subject application should be denied.

Ernest Wm. Ellis

Ernest Wm. Ellis, Chief
Rare and Miscellaneous
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Memorandum

To: Ernest William Ellis, DMEA Member
Uranium Commodity Committee, Room 4445

From: John E. Crawford, Bureau of Mines Member
Uranium Commodity Committee

Subject: Report of Examination, Docket DMEA 4053, J. A. and W. D. Williams, Sunset claim group, Gunnison County, Colorado

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The field team recommend denial of the application.

We concur in the recommendation of the field team that the application for exploration assistance be denied because the proposed work is pure prospecting.

The report is being forwarded to the Chief, Division of Minerals, in accordance with the routing slip attached thereto.

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Memorandum

To: E. W. Ellis, Defense Minerals Exploration Administration

From: N. E. Nelson, U. S. Geological Survey

Subject: Review of Field Team report.

The applicants requested assistance in exploring by drilling a somewhat undefined zone showing low grade radioactivity.

No uranium minerals were seen by the examiners and no significant radioactive structures or deposits have been indicated. The work proposed would therefore be prospecting and the weak radioactivity does not justify such work.

I concur with the recommendation of the examiners and the Field Team that the application be denied.

N. E. Nelson

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To: Secretary to the Operating Committee, DMEA

From: Field Team, Region III

Subject: Joint Report of Examination, Docket DMEA 4053 (Uranium-Thorium), J. A. and W. D. Williams, Sunset claim group, Gunnison County, Colorado

Enclosed are the original and three copies of a Joint Report of Examination on the subject property.

No uranium or thorium minerals could be detected in any of the material collected from the immediate area, and no mineralized structures are exposed that might control the erratic distribution of the weak radioactive anomalies noted.

The work requested by the applicant on the Sunset claims at this time would be strictly of a prospecting nature.

Denial of the application for exploration assistance is recommended.

DMEA Field Team, Region III

W. M. Traver

By W. M. Traver
Executive Officer

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To: Executive Officer, DMEA Field Team, Region III

From: John F. Shaw
E. N. Harshman

Subject: DMEA Docket 4053 (Uranium-Thorium), J. A. and W. D. Williams, Sunset claim group, Gunnison County, Colorado

Enclosed are the original and nine copies of a joint engineering and geologic report by W. D. McMillan, Bureau of Mines, and R. U. King, Geological Survey, covering their examination of the subject property. The examination was made prior to the field referral by Washington while the examiners were in the area on other DMEA examinations.

The applicant proposes to explore the Sunset claim group for uranium and thorium by diamond drilling 39 holes in a two stage program. Their estimated cost was $74,916.40, later, reduced to $62,400.00.

The examiners failed to find evidence of the presence of significant deposits of uranium, thorium, or other strategic minerals on the claims and conclude that the proposed program is prospecting.

Denial of the application for exploration assistance, DMEA Docket 4053, is recommended.

John F. Shaw
John F. Shaw
Supervising Mining Engineer

Reviewed by
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(date)

E. N. Harshman
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Sunset Claim Group

Domingo (Vulcan) Mining District

Gunnison County, Colorado

Uranium and Thorium

Joint Engineering and Geologic Report

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SUNSET GROUP
GUNNISON COUNTY, COLORADO

SUMMARY

J. A. and W. D. Williams applied for Defense Minerals Exploration Administration assistance to explore for uranium and thorium on the Sunset group of claims. They proposed to explore the claims by diamond drilling from the surface. They estimated the cost of exploration to be $74,916.40.

The applicants' property is in the Domingo (Vulcan) mining district one-half mile west of the abandoned mining town of Vulcan, in Gunnison County, Colorado. A small production of gold, silver, and copper is reported from the district. An examination of the applicants' property on November 16, 1955, revealed only scattered, weak radioactivity anomalies associated with a fine-grained granitic rock of probable volcanic origin.

The examining team concludes that the applicants' proposed work is in fact prospecting and that there is no evidence to indicate the presence of significant deposits of uranium, thorium, or other strategic minerals.

It is recommended that the application for DMEA assistance be denied.

INTRODUCTION

John A. Williams and W. D. Williams of Montrose, Colorado, applied to the Defense Minerals Exploration Administration for assistance to explore their Sunset group of claims for uranium and thorium. The applicants propose to explore the claims by diamond drilling from surface locations. Twenty-six core drill holes, averaging 200 feet in depth, are proposed to test areas underneath uraniferous outcrops to locate primary ore veins, to be followed by 13 holes to determine extent of veins discovered by the first stage of drilling. The applicants estimate the cost of exploration to be $74,916.40.

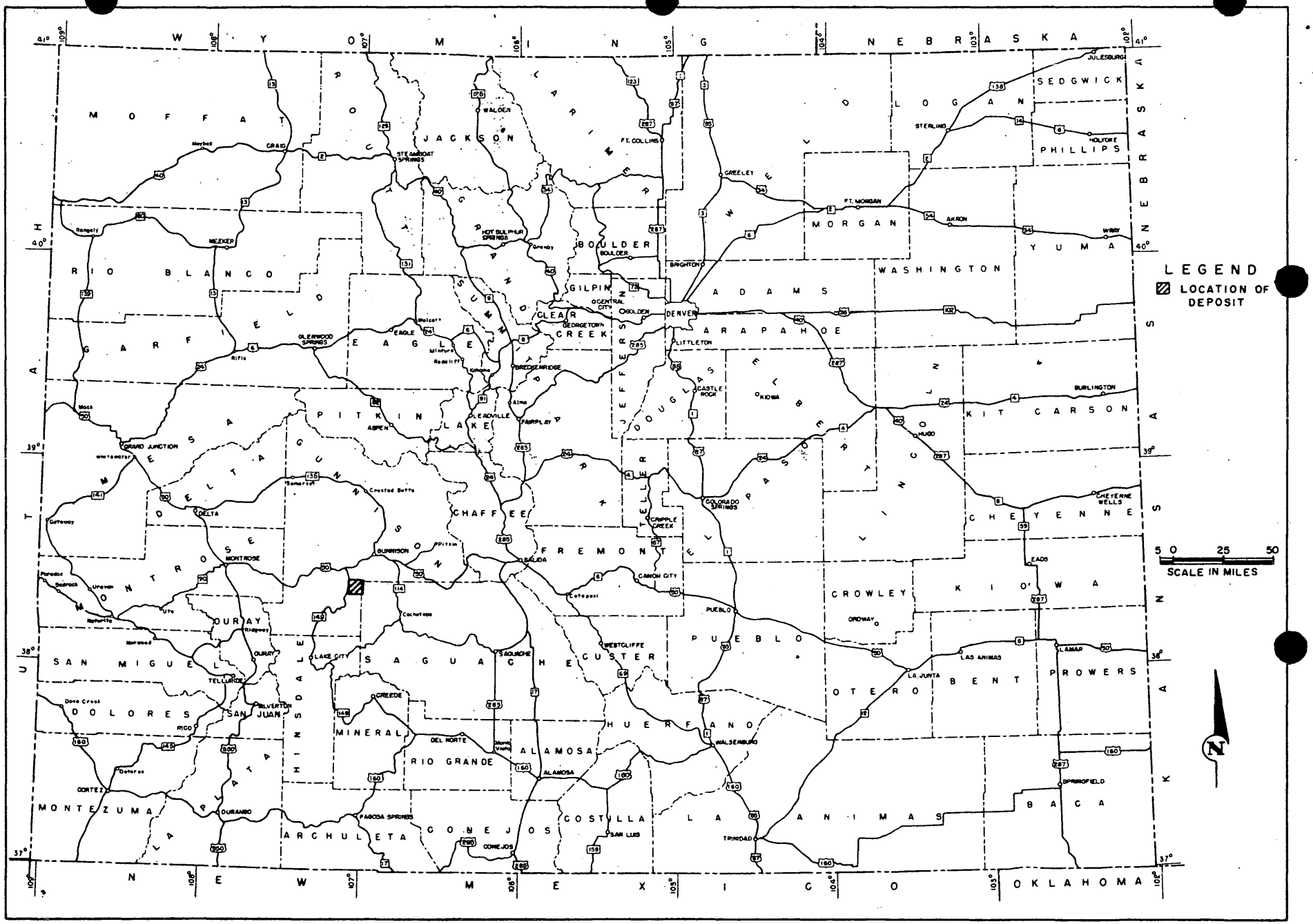
The property was examined on November 16, 1955, by W. D. McMillan and R. U. King, in conjunction with other DMEA work in the area.

The Grand Junction office of the U. S. Atomic Energy Commission concurs with the conclusions of the examining team.

LOCATION, TOPOGRAPHY, AND GENERAL FEATURES

The Sunset group of claims is in the SW 1/4 sec. 7, T. 47 N., R. 1 W., N. Mex. P. M., Domingo (Vulcan) mining district, one-half mile west of the abandoned town of Vulcan, Gunnison County, Colorado. The claims are 15 miles south-southwest of Gunnison (fig. 1) and are accessible by road from Iola on U. S. Highway 50, twelve miles west of Gunnison.

The claims are at an elevation of about 9,000 feet on the lower northwest slope of Sawtooth Mountain. Local relief amounts to about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200 feet. Tributaries of Willow Creek that flows northward into the Gunnison River drain the area. Aspen and pine cover the hills south of the property.

HISTORY, PRODUCTION, AND OWNERSHIP

Gold was discovered in the "Gunnison Gold Belt" in the middle 90's, and the discovery of the ore bodies of the Vulcan and Mammoth mines are reported to have been made in 1895. In 1901 production from the Good Hope and Vulcan mines is reported to have amounted to about $400,000, chiefly in gold. In 1907 the Good Hope shaft was reported to be 700 feet deep and in a refractory sulfide ore that contained gold, silver, and copper. The principal production from the mines at Vulcan has been gold obtained from pyrite zones in Precambrian schist. A small production of lead, gold-silver, and copper-gold-silver ores is reported from vein deposits in the Vulcan district. From 1901 to 1941 production amounted to about 6,000 tons that contained on the average 1 ounce gold and 4 ounces silver per ton, 2 percent copper, and 3 percent lead. No production is reported from this district since 1941.

The applicants located the group of five claims, known as the Sunset Nos. 1 to 5 claims, in the summer of 1955. They state that the claims are recorded in Book 306, on pages 232 and 237, in the County Clerk's office, Gunnison County, Colorado. Verification of these entries was not made by the examining team.

The applicants have not done physical exploration on the claims, other than testing outcrops for radioactivity.

GEOLOGY

The Vulcan district is on the north flank of the San Juan Mountains in the southwestern part of Colorado. The country rocks consist chiefly of granite and schist of Precambrian age, but volcanic intrusive and extrusive rocks of Tertiary age are widespread in neighboring areas. Jurassic sedimentary rocks overly and are faulted against Precambrian rocks to the east and south of the area.

A persistent fault or fracture zone that trends west-northwest is mapped in the vicinity of Vulcan and is inferred to cross the area of proposed exploration. Because of the west-northwesterly alignment of the Ute Trail, Iron Cap, Gunnison, and Red Top mines, it is inferred that the fracture zone continued for several miles beyond the applicants' property.

The geology of the San Juan region is described by Cross and Larsen in USGS Bulletin 843, 1935.

According to Vanderwilt (Mineral Resources of Colorado, 1947), the ore deposits of the Vulcan district have been gold-silver veins and gold-pyrite zones. The principal production at Vulcan has been gold obtained from a pyrite zone that is roughly parallel to the schistosity of the enclosing rocks. Small shipments of lead, gold-

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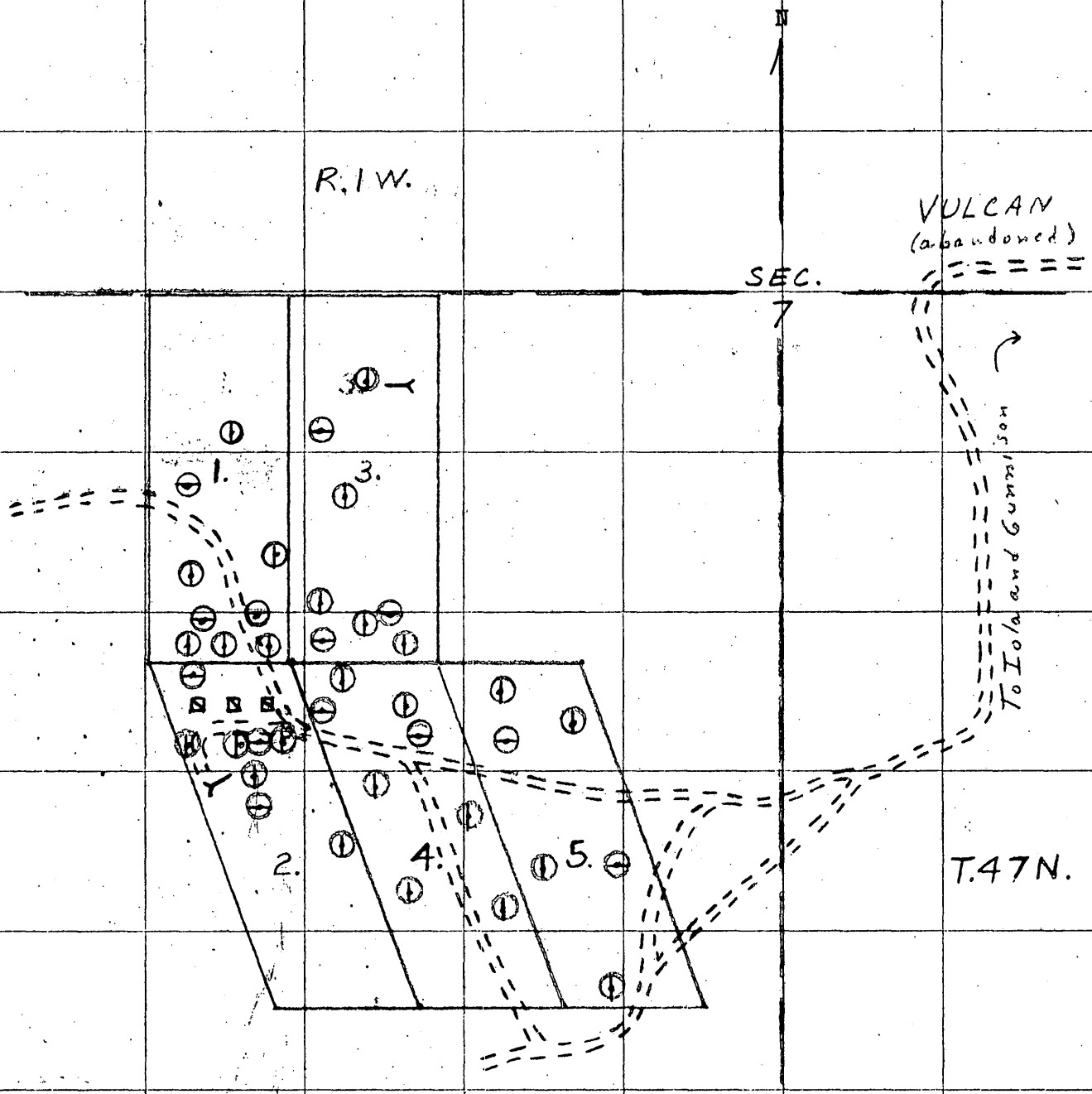
Within the area of proposed exploration on the Sunset No. 2 claim, a quartz vein containing pyrite and secondary copper minerals has been prospected by three shallow shafts (fig. 2) over a length of about 300 feet. It is steeply dipping and apparently is lenticular in shape; it is not exposed beyond the shafts. The vein material on the dumps exhibits no abnormal radioactivity.

Burbank and Pierson (USGS Circular 236, 1953) obtained slight radioactivity anomalies in this area during reconnaissance investigations in 1951, but material collected from old mine dumps contained only 0.006 percent eU and 0.002 percent U.

The applicants report that they have obtained radioactive material from the Sunset No. 1 and No. 2 claims that contained 0.01 and 0.06 percent equivalent U_3O_8, respectively, and indicate in their application that radioactive anomalies are widespread over most of the claims.

Measurements of radioactivity made by the examining team indicated a few anomalies that were as much as two or three times the normal background radioactivity, but no significant concentrations of radioactivity were noted. Samples of the most radioactive material consisting of schist, porphyritic volcanic rocks, and quartz vein material that were tested in the laboratory failed to show any sig-



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EXPLANATION

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R. U. King Dec. 1955

FIGURE 2.— MAP SHOWING PROPOSED EXPLORATION, SUNSET GROUP OF CLAIMS, DOMINGO MINING DISTRICT, GUNNISON COUNTY, COLORADO.
Scale: 1 inch = 660 feet.

nificant radioactive mineral content. A sample of reddish volcanic rock collected by AEC personnel from this area contained 0.009 percent equivalent uranium.

ORE RESERVES

None.

PRESENT STATUS

Exploration and Development

The claims have been prospected by three shallow shafts and two short adits (now caved) at locations shown on Figure 2. This work was done by prior operators. The present applicants have done no physical exploration or development work on the Sunset claims.

Mining, Milling, and other Facilities

None.

PROJECT PROPOSALS

The applicants propose to explore the claims by a 2 stage drilling program as follows:

Stage I - Twenty-six core drill holes with an average depth of 200 feet.

Stage II - Thirteen rotary and core drill holes of unstated depth.

The applicants originally estimated the total cost of the proposed program to be $74,916.40. In an undated letter to the Executive Officer, received November 4, 1955, the applicants reduced this estimate to $62,400.00.

CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The results of radioactivity measurements made over the claim group and in nearby areas indicate that there are no significant radioactive deposits on the applicants' property, the Sunset Group of claims. No uranium or thorium minerals could be detected in any of the material collected from the immediate area, and no mineralized structures are exposed that might control the erratic distribution of the weak, radioactive anomalies noted. It is concluded that the radioactivity noted is due to the normal trace uranium and thorium content of the country rock.

The search for uranium and thorium on the Sunset claims would be strictly prospecting and in the opinion of the examining team would be in an unfavorable area.

It is recommended that the application for Government assistance to explore for uranium and thorium on the Sunset claims be denied.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
DEFENSE MINERALS EXPLORATION ADMINISTRATION
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Memorandum

To: Secretary to the Operating Committee, DMEA

From: Field Team, Region III

Subject: Joint Report of Examination, Docket DMEA 4053 (Uranium-Thorium), J. A. and W. D. Williams, Sunset claim group, Gunnison County, Colorado

Enclosed are the original and three copies of a Joint Report of Examination on the subject property.

No uranium or thorium minerals could be detected in any of the material collected from the immediate area, and no mineralized structures are exposed that might control the erratic distribution of the weak radioactive anomalies noted.

The work requested by the applicant on the Sunset claims at this time would be strictly of a prospecting nature.

Denial of the application for exploration assistance is recommended.

DMEA Field Team, Region III

W. M. Traver

By W. M. Traver
Executive Officer

Enclosures

Reviewed by
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Defense Minerals Exploration Administration
Denver Federal Center
Denver, Colorado

January 13, 1956

Memorandum

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To: Executive Officer, DMEA Field Team, Region III

From: John F. Shaw
E. N. Harshman

Subject: DMEA Docket 4053 (Uranium-Thorium), J. A. and W. D. Williams, Sunset claim group, Gunnison County, Colorado

Enclosed are the original and nine copies of a joint engineering and geologic report by W. D. McMillan, Bureau of Mines, and R. U. King, Geological Survey, covering their examination of the subject property. The examination was made prior to the field referral by Washington while the examiners were in the area on other DMEA examinations.

The applicant proposes to explore the Sunset claim group for uranium and thorium by diamond drilling 39 holes in a two stage program. Their estimated cost was $74,916.40, later, reduced to $62,400.00.

The examiners failed to find evidence of the presence of significant deposits of uranium, thorium, or other strategic minerals on the claims and conclude that the proposed program is prospecting.

Denial of the application for exploration assistance, DMEA Docket 4053, is recommended.

John F. Shaw
John F. Shaw
Supervising Mining Engineer

Reviewed by
DMEA OPERATIONS COMMITTEE
1-23-56
(date)

E. N. Harshman
E. N. Harshman
Member, Field Team

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J. A. Williams and W. D. Williams

Sunset Claim Group

Domingo (Vulcan) Mining District

Gunnison County, Colorado

Uranium and Thorium

Reviewed by
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Joint Engineering and Geologic Report

by

W. D. McMillan
Bureau of Mines

R. U. King
Geological Survey

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J. A. WILLIAMS AND W. D. WILLIAMS
SUNSET GROUP
GUNNISON COUNTY, COLORADO

SUMMARY

J. A. and W. D. Williams applied for Defense Minerals Exploration Administration assistance to explore for uranium and thorium on the Sunset group of claims. They proposed to explore the claims by diamond drilling from the surface. They estimated the cost of exploration to be $74,916.40.

The applicants' property is in the Domingo (Vulcan) mining district one-half mile west of the abandoned mining town of Vulcan, in Gunnison County, Colorado. A small production of gold, silver, and copper is reported from the district. An examination of the applicants' property on November 16, 1955, revealed only scattered, weak radioactivity anomalies associated with a fine-grained granitic rock of probable volcanic origin.

The examining team concludes that the applicants' proposed work is in fact prospecting and that there is no evidence to indicate the presence of significant deposits of uranium, thorium, or other strategic minerals.

It is recommended that the application for DMEA assistance be denied.

INTRODUCTION

John A. Williams and W. D. Williams of Montrose, Colorado, applied to the Defense Minerals Exploration Administration for assistance to explore their Sunset group of claims for uranium and thorium. The applicants propose to explore the claims by diamond drilling from surface locations. Twenty-six core drill holes, averaging 200 feet in depth, are proposed to test areas underneath uraniferous outcrops to locate primary ore veins, to be followed by 13 holes to determine extent of veins discovered by the first stage of drilling. The applicants estimate the cost of exploration to be $74,916.40.

The property was examined on November 16, 1955, by W. D. McMillan and R. U. King, in conjunction with other DMEA work in the area.

The Grand Junction office of the U. S. Atomic Energy Commission concurs with the conclusions of the examining team.

LOCATION, TOPOGRAPHY, AND GENERAL FEATURES

The Sunset group of claims is in the SW 1/4 sec. 7, T. 47 N., R. 1 W., N. Mex. P. M., Domingo (Vulcan) mining district, one-half mile west of the abandoned town of Vulcan, Gunnison County, Colorado. The claims are 15 miles south-southwest of Gunnison (fig. 1) and are accessible by road from Iola on U. S. Highway 50, twelve miles west of Gunnison.

The claims are at an elevation of about 9,000 feet on the lower northwest slope of Sawtooth Mountain. Local relief amounts to about

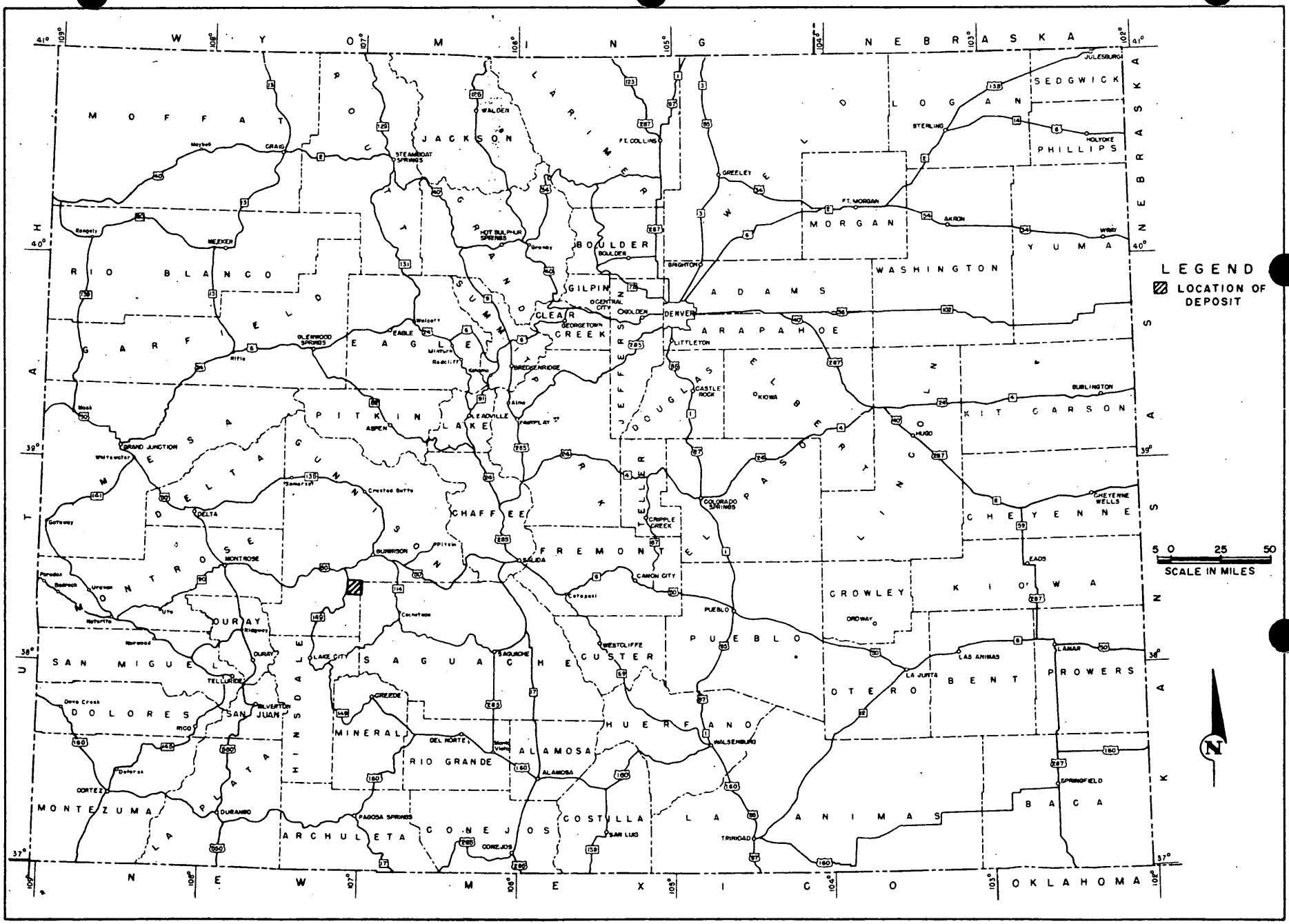


FIGURE 1 - LOCATION MAP, JOHN H. WILLIAMS AND WILLIAM D. WILLIAMS, SUNSET CLAIM GROUP, DOMINGO MINING DISTRICT, GUNNISON COUNTY, COLO. DMEA 4053

200 feet. Tributaries of Willow Creek that flows northward into the Gunnison River drain the area. Aspen and pine cover the hills south of the property.

HISTORY, PRODUCTION, AND OWNERSHIP

Gold was discovered in the "Gunnison Gold Belt" in the middle 90's, and the discovery of the ore bodies of the Vulcan and Mammoth mines are reported to have been made in 1895. In 1901 production from the Good Hope and Vulcan mines is reported to have amounted to about $400,000, chiefly in gold. In 1907 the Good Hope shaft was reported to be 700 feet deep and in a refractory sulfide ore that contained gold, silver, and copper. The principal production from the mines at Vulcan has been gold obtained from pyrite zones in Precambrian schist. A small production of lead, gold-silver, and copper-gold-silver ores is reported from vein deposits in the Vulcan district. From 1901 to 1941 production amounted to about 6,000 tons that contained on the average 1 ounce gold and 4 ounces silver per ton, 2 percent copper, and 3 percent lead. No production is reported from this district since 1941.

The applicants located the group of five claims, known as the Sunset Nos. 1 to 5 claims, in the summer of 1955. They state that the claims are recorded in Book 306, on pages 232 and 237, in the County Clerk's office, Gunnison County, Colorado. Verification of these entries was not made by the examining team.

The applicants have not done physical exploration on the claims, other than testing outcrops for radioactivity.

GEOLOGY

The Vulcan district is on the north flank of the San Juan Mountains in the southwestern part of Colorado. The country rocks consist chiefly of granite and schist of Precambrian age, but volcanic intrusive and extrusive rocks of Tertiary age are widespread in neighboring areas. Jurassic sedimentary rocks overly and are faulted against Precambrian rocks to the east and south of the area.

A persistent fault or fracture zone that trends west-northwest is mapped in the vicinity of Vulcan and is inferred to cross the area of proposed exploration. Because of the west-northwesterly alignment of the Ute Trail, Iron Cap, Gunnison, and Red Top mines, it is inferred that the fracture zone continued for several miles beyond the applicants' property.

The geology of the San Juan region is described by Cross and Larsen in USGS Bulletin 843, 1935.

According to Vanderwilt (Mineral Resources of Colorado, 1947), the ore deposits of the Vulcan district have been gold-silver veins and gold-pyrite zones. The principal production at Vulcan has been gold obtained from a pyrite zone that is roughly parallel to the schistosity of the enclosing rocks. Small shipments of lead, gold-

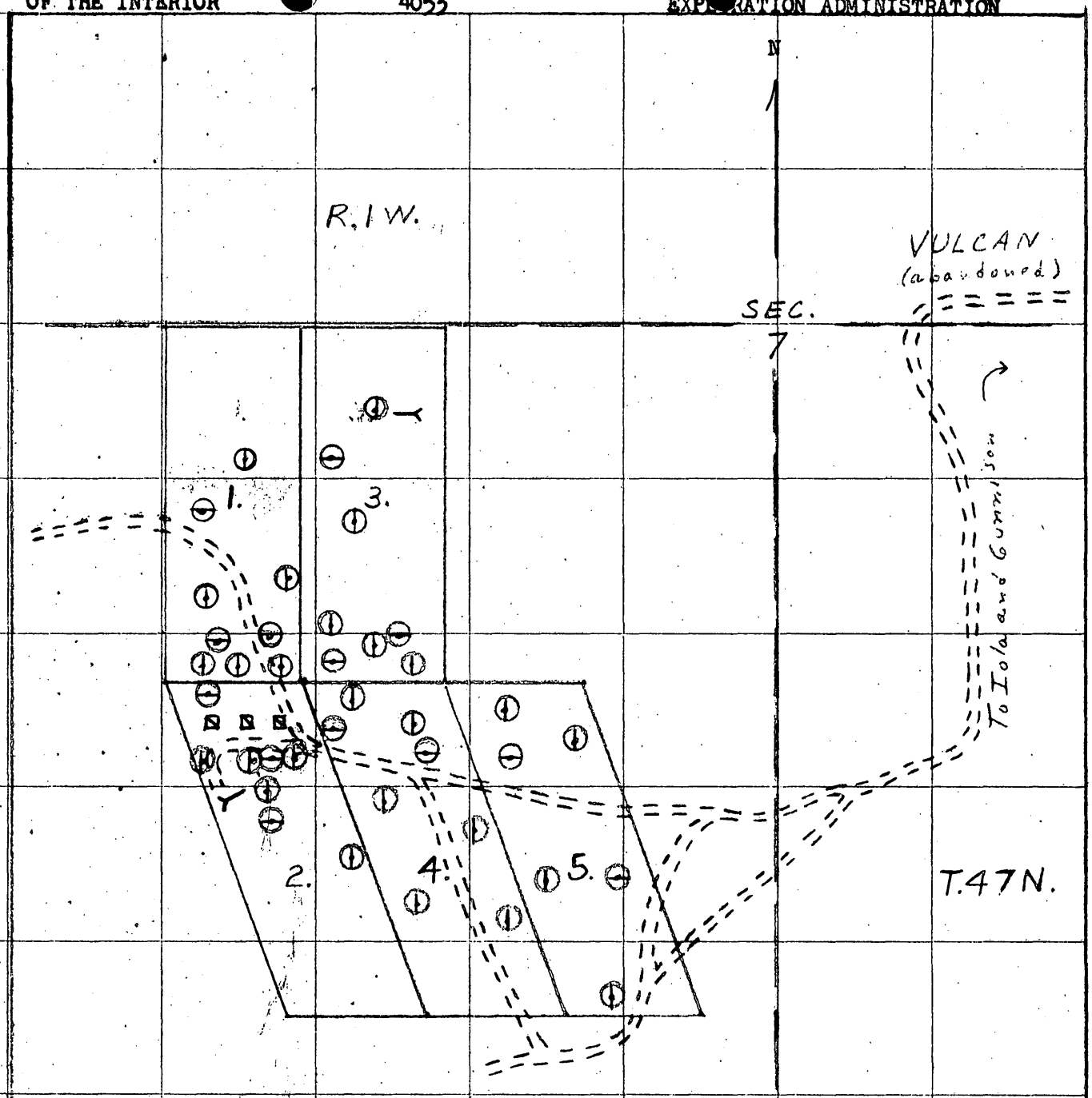
silver, and copper-gold-silver ores are reported from other veins. The veins are in Precambrian schist and possibly in Cretaceous sedimentary rocks.

Within the area of proposed exploration on the Sunset No. 2 claim, a quartz vein containing pyrite and secondary copper minerals has been prospected by three shallow shafts (fig. 2) over a length of about 300 feet. It is steeply dipping and apparently is lenticular in shape; it is not exposed beyond the shafts. The vein material on the dumps exhibits no abnormal radioactivity.

Burbank and Pierson (USGS Circular 236, 1953) obtained slight radioactivity anomalies in this area during reconnaissance investigations in 1951, but material collected from old mine dumps contained only 0.006 percent eU and 0.002 percent U.

The applicants report that they have obtained radioactive material from the Sunset No. 1 and No. 2 claims that contained 0.01 and 0.06 percent equivalent U_3O_8, respectively, and indicate in their application that radioactive anomalies are widespread over most of the claims.

Measurements of radioactivity made by the examining team indicated a few anomalies that were as much as two or three times the normal background radioactivity, but no significant concentrations of radioactivity were noted. Samples of the most radioactive material consisting of schist, porphyritic volcanic rocks, and quartz vein material that were tested in the laboratory failed to show any sig-



Note: After map supplied by applicant.

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Proposed daimond drill holes, stages 1 & 2 respectively.

R. U. King Dec. 1955

FIGURE 2.— MAP SHOWING PROPOSED EXPLORATION, SUNSET GROUP OF CLAIMS, DOMINGO MINING DISTRICT, GUNNISON COUNTY, COLORADO.

Scale: 1 inch = 660 feet.

The applicants originally estimated the total cost of the proposed program to be $74,916.40. In an undated letter to the Executive Officer, received November 4, 1955, the applicants reduced this estimate to $62,400.00.

CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The results of radioactivity measurements made over the claim group and in nearby areas indicate that there are no significant radioactive deposits on the applicants' property, the Sunset Group of claims. No uranium or thorium minerals could be detected in any of the material collected from the immediate area, and no mineralized structures are exposed that might control the erratic distribution of the weak, radioactive anomalies noted. It is concluded that the radioactivity noted is due to the normal trace uranium and thorium content of the country rock.

The search for uranium and thorium on the Sunset claims would be strictly prospecting and in the opinion of the examining team would be in an unfavorable area.

It is recommended that the application for Government assistance to explore for uranium and thorium on the Sunset claims be denied.

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To: W. M. Traver, Executive Officer, DMEA Field Team, Reg.III

From: Acting Superintendent, Denver Experiment Station, Reg. III

Subject: Doclmt DMEA 4053 (Uranium), J. A. and W. D. Williams, Sunset group of claims, Gunnison County, Colorado

The above brochure was received in this office on December 1, 1955.

An examination will be made and report prepared by an engineer from the Denver office.

JOHN F. SHAW

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WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

November 30, 1955

224 New Customhouse
Denver 2, Colorado

Memorandum

To: E. N. Harshman
J. F. Shaw

From: Acting Executive Officer, DMEA Field Team, Region III

Subject: Docket DMEA 4053 (Uranium), J. A. and W. D. Williams, Sunset group of claims, Gunnison County, Colorado

Enclosed is a copy of a letter from the Chairman of the Operating Committee dated November 21, 1955 on the subject docket. Also enclosed are copies of memoranda of review of the application by N. E. Nelson and John E. Crawford.

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Mr. W. M. Traver
Executive Officer
DMEA Field Team, Region III
224 New Customhouse Building
Denver 2, Colorado

Re: Docket No. DMEA-4053 (Uranium)
J. A. and W. D. Williams
Sunset group of claims
Gunnison County, Colorado

Dear Mr. Traver:

The captioned application is referred to Region III Field Team for investigation, a field examination if deemed advisable, and recommendation. A copy of the application was retained by your office.

Enclosed are copies of memoranda, dated November 14 and 16, 1955, by N. E. Nelson, USGS, and J. E. Crawford, USBM, respectively, relating to the subject application.

The application appears to be a request for aid in a prospecting venture rat er than an exploration project based on geologic evidence of definite target areas. A study of the application indicates that other than staking and recording the claims, and taking a few samples, no actual work has been done on the property by the applicants.

The application would have been denied here on the basis that no geologic data on which a drilling program could be planned have been presented. However, it is referred to the Field Team with the thought that the Regional Office may have information that the subject property is in a favorable uranium-mineralized district. In that case, possibly we should request additional information from the Applicant before taking other action.

Sincerely yours,

George C. Selfridge
Chairman, Operating Committee

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Messrs. JECrawford, Rm. 3641
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Mr. Murphy

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DEFENSE MINERALS EXPLORATION ADMINISTRATION
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Messrs. John A. Williams
and William D. Williams
P. O. Box 31
Montrose, Colorado

Re: Docket No. DMEA-4053 (Uranium)
Sunset group of claims
Gunnison County, Colorado

Gentlemen:

The application for assistance in exploring the subject claims in Gunnison County, Colorado, under the captioned docket number, has been reviewed by the Rare and Miscellaneous Metals Division of the Defense Minerals Exploration Administration. It has been referred to the Executive Officer of Region III at the following address:

Mr. W. M. Traver
Executive Officer
DMEA Field Team, Region III
224 New Customhouse Building
Denver 2, Colorado

The Regional Office will contact you in regard to your project if additional information is required.

Sincerely yours,

Frank E. Johnson (lw)

ACTING Administrator

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Memorandum

To: Ernest William Ellis, DMEA Member
Uranium Commodity Committee, Room 4445

From: John E. Crawford, Bureau of Mines Member
Uranium Commodity Committee

Subject: Application for assistance, DMEA Docket 4053, John A. Williams and William D. Williams, Sunset claims, Gunnison County, Colorado

I have reviewed the attached application of John A. Williams and William D. Williams, DMEA Docket 4053, dated October 31, 1955, and received in this office November 10. I have also discussed it with Joseph O. Hosted, Washington representative of the Atomic Energy Commission.

The results of analyses of sample material taken from outcrops on the Sunset group of claims and submitted by the applicants indicate that the equivalent uranium content of the rock is .06 percent U_3O_8 or less. Thus, the uranium content of the material sampled is not significant enough to warrant much interest.

The property consists of old workings for lead and silver on a quartz vein. To the best of the applicants' knowledge there has been no activity on the claims and in the immediate area since 1941.

Messrs. Williams and Williams are desirous of exploring for uranium because of (1) the presence of uraniferous outcroppings over a large area; (2) the proximity of the mineralization to faulting; (3) the presence of a mineralized quartz vein; and (4) nearness to Good Hope and Humboldt patented claims, and others having a record of base and precious metals production.

The proposed exploration program would consist of two-stage core drilling. The first stage drilling would require about 29 holes, each approximately 200 feet deep to delineate the mineralized zone, and the second stage drilling would require about 11 holes to more precisely determine the depth and extent of zone. Cores would be tested radiometrically and favorable sections assayed. Drill holes would be probed and logged.

Because of the inadequacy of the map provided by the applicants, it is difficult, if not impossible, to determine where and how the holes would be drilled with relation to the claim boundaries, quartz vein, outcroppings, etc. Should the area be highly faulted the advisability of drilling might be questioned.

We suggest that the applicants be requested to furnish more favorable assay reports, particularly of the uraniferous outcrops if such are available, as well as more descriptive maps showing claim boundaries, geology, mineralization, and more discernable hole locations.

John E Crawford

John E. Crawford

Attachment

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IN REPLY REFER TO:

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
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WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

November 14, 1955

Re: DMEA 4053
Williams and Williams
Sunset Group
Gunnison County, Colo.
$74,916.40 - Uranium

Memorandum

To: E. W. Ellis, Defense Minerals Exploration Administration

From: N. E. Nelson, U. S. Geological Survey

Subject: Review of application.

The applicants request assistance in looking for and exploring a vein type uraniferous deposit. The information given by the sketch map suggests that the deposit may be a flat lying quartz vein perhaps in the Morrison formation, but such is not made clear.

Numerous "uraniferous outcrops" are shown on the map and radiometric assays show values up to 0.06% U_3O_8 along with mineralization by copper, silver and/or lead and possibly thorium minerals.

The work program proposed by the applicants consists of:

Stage I

Core drilling 26 holes at 200 feet each 5,200'

Stage II

Rotary and core drilling 13 holes, depth not estimated

Cost, drilling	$71,546.40
" rehabilitation, etc.	2,370.00
Total	$74,916.40

Unless experience in the area suggests and the outcrops are better looking than indicated, no definite exploratory target is presented and the work program, in large part designed to find a target appears to be unduly ambitious.

Perhaps information with the field office will permit denial without an examination.

Referral to the Field Team is recommended.

N. E. Nelson

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Mr. J. E. Crawford, 3641 Int.
Mr. J. O. Rostad, 3210 Int.

November 10, 1955

Memorandum

To: Executive Officer, DMEA Field Team, Region III

From: Chief, Operation's Control and Statistics Division

Subject: Assignment of Docket Number

There is listed below the assigned docket number to an application recently received from Region III

DMEA - 4053 John A. Williams and William D. Williams

Robert E. Adams
Chief, Operation's Control
and Statistics Division

November 10, 1955
Subject: DMEA-4053
Re: Exploration Assistance

Mr. John A. Williams &
William D. Williams
P. O. Box 31, Montrose, Colorado

Gentlemen:

The receipt of your application dated October 31, 1955, for exploration assistance under the Defense Production Act of 1950, as amended, is hereby acknowledged.

Your application has been assigned Docket Number DMEA-4053 and referred to the Rare & Misc. Metals Division.

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

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Adams, Chief
Operations Control and
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Memorandum

To: Secretary to the Operating Committee, DMEA

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Subject: Application for DMEA Assistance (Uranium-Thorium), John A. Williams, William D. Williams, Ruth F. Williams, and Joseph R. Williams, Sunset claims, Gunnison County, Colorado

Enclosed are three copies of the subject application in the amount of $71,716.40.

While the applicant states that uranium and thorium are the minerals for which he wishes to explore, he states that "The dump appears to contain lead, silver, and copper."

One copy of the application is being retained in our file.

W. M. Traver

By J. W. Townsend
J. W. Townsend

Enclosures

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DMEA - 4053

Mr. John A. Williams
P. O. Box 31
Montrose, Colorado

Dear Mr. Williams:

Your application forwarded with your letter of November 3, 1955 has been received in this office and has been placed in line for processing.

The Radioactive Sample Report forwarded with your application is returned herewith in accordance with your request.

Very truly yours,

W. M. Traver
Executive Officer, DMEA
Field Team, Region III

By J. W. Townsend
J. W. Townsend

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Examining Officer
DMEA
224 New Customhouse Bldg.
Denver 2, Colorado

John A. Williams
P.O. Box 54
Manitou, Colo

Dear Sir,

The costs of operating supplies and equipment, paragraphs 5 (c) and (d), include casing for 100' per hole and anticipates being able to drill 40' per diamond bit. If conditions warrant, these items could be decreased considerably.

Sprague and Hammond, Inc. who is drilling within a few miles of these claims, gave me a verbal figure of about $5 per foot, for drilling under contract, in this area. This would make a contract drilling program cost $62,400.

Yours very truly,

John A. Williams
122 South Park
Phone 4644-W
Manitou, Colo

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF MINES

1600 East 1st South
Salt Lake City 1, Utah

7/26/55

Mr. [illegible] Williams
P. O. Box [illegible]
Montrose, Colorado

RADIOACTIVE SAMPLE REPORT

Sample Reference No.

UP-4695-3

Name and Location of Property:
1. Orient No. 1, NW-1/4, NW-1/4, Sec. 7, T47N, R1W., Gunnison County, Colorado
2. Orient No. 2, [illegible] of Gunnison County line in Saguache County, Colorado

Nature and Analysis of Sample:

No. 1. Feldspathic type igneous rock.

No. 2. Manganese stained calcite.

No. 3. Limestone.

Radiometric analysis:

No. 1	0.01% U_3O_8	equivalent
No. 2	0.04% "	"
No. 3	0.01% "	"

The U. S. Bureau of Mines offers free radiometric analysis for equivalent U_3O_8 content as a service to the general public. This service does not include chemical analysis, spectrographic analysis, or fire assay. If you wish a chemical analysis, spectrographic analysis, or a fire assay on your samples, you should submit them to a commercial laboratory.

nificant radioactive mineral content. A sample of reddish volcanic rock collected by AEC personnel from this area contained 0.009 percent equivalent uranium.

ORE RESERVES

None.

PRESENT STATUS

Exploration and Development

The claims have been prospected by three shallow shafts and two short adits (now caved) at locations shown on Figure 2. This work was done by prior operators. The present applicants have done no physical exploration or development work on the Sunset claims.

Mining, Milling, and other Facilities

None.

PROJECT PROPOSALS

The applicants propose to explore the claims by a 2 stage drilling program as follows:

Stage I - Twenty-six core drill holes with an average depth of 200 feet.

Stage II - Thirteen rotary and core drill holes of unstated depth.

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Participation (Government %) 9

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Dated October 31, 195[illegible]

By John A. Williams (Applicant)
William A. Williams

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   (d)
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5. (a) We wish to explore for uranium and thorium.

(b) Work to be done consists of first and second stage drilling. First stage drilling to test areas of uraniferous outcrops in order to locate the primary ore vein. Second stage drilling is to determine the extent of the vein found in stage 1 drilling. First stage drilling to be all core drilling to depth of 200 feet per hole. Second stage drilling to depth of ore then coreing into vein to depth determined by vertical dimension of vein. Proposed work to be done with portable rotary drilling machine capable of 300 foot hole in hard rock. Cores to be tested on removal from hole and radioactive cores to be assayed . Drill holes to be probed with standard deep hole geiger probe and log of radioactivity made.

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6. (a) Independent contracts-
2 days bulldozer work @ $ 100.00/day — $ 200.00

(b) Labor, supervision, consultants-
Driller's wage/shift $ 34.00 or $816.00/ mo.
2 helpers @$17.00/shift or $816.00/mo.
Total labor $1632.00/mo.
Estimated progress- 20'/shift or 480'/ mo.
Estimated total wages / 17 month program — 27,744.00
Engineering and geologic consultation and work — 5,000.00

(c) Operating materials and supplies-

9,000 gallons gasolene @ $ 0.30/ gallon	2,700.00
170 lbs. grease @ $ 0.20/ lb.	34.00
110 gallons oil @ $ 1.50/ gallon	165.00
20 core boxes @ $ 5.00 each	100.00
A hoisting swivel, ball bearing	49.95
25 - 10' sections AA rod @$16.80/ section	420.00
cat head rope	10.00
390 - 10' sections flush coupled AX casing	7,410.00
A safety foot clamp	86.65
AX core lifters, 78 @ $ 2.30 each	179.40
AA holding iron	14.40
AA rod fishing tools	75.00
11 244.40	

(d) Operating equipment-

Acker Toredo model TH core drill mounted on Chevrolet 4 X 4 truck	5340. 00
Two- 500 gallon skid mounted water tanks	600.00
AA rod ball bearing swivel	125.00
Portable gasolene powered water pump	125.00
* 1953 4-wheel driv jeep station wagon @ $ 70.00	1,190.00
* El-Tronics Geiger counter @ $ 9.00/ month	153.00
Deep hole geiger probe	150.00
* Mt. Sopris scintillator @ $ 25.00/ month	435.00
190 AX diamond bits AA grade, Bortz @ $ 104.70	19,893.00
2 AX 10' double tube core barrels @ $ 94.70 ea.	189.40
AX diamond reaming shell, double tube	64.10
Drive weight, 250#	93.50
28 358.00	

* OPERATOR OWNED

(e) Rehabilitation and repairs-
Overhaul jeep — 300.00

(f) New buildings, improvements, installations-
Rehabilitate bunk house and chow hall — 1,000.00

(g) Miscellaneous-
Maintenance or rig — 900.00
Maintenance of jeep — 170.00
other items included in above figures — 74,716.40

(h) Contingencies- Only allowance to be made is for extra time in case of inclement weather — 74916.40

7. (a) Yes.
(b) We plan to furnish our sha re of the costs by use of our equipment indicated by the asterisks in section 6 (d), by performing the labor ourselves and by the contribution of money as necessary.

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Dated, October 31, 1955 at montrose, Colorado

John A. Williams
William [illegible] Williams

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(e) Manpower could be obtained from towns in the area including Gunnison, Crested Butte and Montrose. Materials, supplies and equipment could be obtained from Gunnison, Montrose and Grand Junction. Water could be obtained from the spring and reservoir located on Sunset [illegible] claim. The nearest power transmission line is on the Iola-Pondarhorn road about 4 miles west of the properties.

5. (a) To climb to explore for uranium and thorium.

(b) Work to be done consists of first and second stage drilling. First stage drilling to test areas of uraniferous outcrops in order to locate the primary ore vein. Second stage drilling is to determine the extent of the vein found in hole 1 drilling. First stage drilling to be all core drilling to depth of 100 feet per hole. Second stage drilling to depth of ore if is coring into vein to depth determined by vertical dimension of vein. Proposed work to be done with portable rotary drilling machine capable of 200 foot hole in hard rock. Cores to be tested on removal from hole and radioactive cores to be surveyed. Drill holes to be probed with standard deep hole geiger probe and log of radioactivity made.

(c) The work will start within 180 days and be completed within 17 months from the date of an exploration project contract.

(d) Operations to be conducted and supervised by applicants. Knowledge of drilling procedure and business gained through oil well and shot hole rig operations and repair would enable the applicants to properly conduct this shallow drilling program. Geologic, engineering and assay data to be furnished by registered professionals.

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6. (a) Independent contractors-
2 days bullcozer work @ $ 100.00/day $ 200.00

(b) Labor, supervision, consultants-
Driller's wage/shift @ $4.00 or $016.00/ mo.
2 helpers @$17.00/shift or $910.00/mo.
Total labor $1022.00/mo.
Estimated progress- 1555 00'/shift or 4200'/ mo.
Estimated total wages / 17 month program $7,744.00
Engineering and geologic consultation and work 5,000.00

(c) Operating materials and supplies-
3,000 gallons gasoline @ $ 0.30/ gallon 2,700.00 13
170 lbs. grease @ $ 0.00/ lb. 34.00
110 gallons oil @ $ 1.50/ gallon 165.00
50 core boxes @ $ 2.00 each 100.00
A hoisting swivel, ball bearing 48.95
35 - 10' sections A rod @$10.00/ section 350.00
cat head rope 10.00
300 - 10' sections flush coupled AX casing 7,010.00
A safety foot clamp 83.05
AX core lifters, 75 @ $ 2.30 each 173.40
A holding iron 14.40
A rod fishing tools 75.00

(d) Operating equipment-
Acker Torado model TH core drill mounted on Chevrolet 4 X 4 truck 5340. 00
* OPERATOR OWNED
Two- 500 gallon skid mounted water tanks 600.00
A rod ball bearing swivel 100.00
Portable gasoline powered water pump 125.00
* 1955 4-wheel driv jeep station wagon @ $ 70.00 1,150.00
* El-Tronics Geiger counter @ $ 5.00/ month 155.00
Deep hole geiger probe 150.00
* Mt. Sopris scintillator @ $ 25.00/ month 400.00
150 AX diamond bits AA grade, Barts @ $ 100.70 15,000.00
2 AX 10' double tube core barrels @ $ 90.70 ea. 180.00
AX diamond reaming shell, double tube 00.10
Drive weight, 450# 98.50

(e) Rehabilitation and repairs-
Overhaul jeep 200.00

(f) New buildings, improvements, installations-
Rehabilitate bunk house and show hall 1,000.00

(g) Miscellaneous-
Maintenance or rig 400.00
Maintenance of jeep 170.00
other items included in above figures
74,716.40

(h) Contingencies- Only allowance to be made is for extra time in case of inclement weather

7. (a) Yes.
(b) We plan to furnish our share of the costs by use of our equipment insofar by the asterisks in section 6 (d), by performing the labor ourselves and by the contribution of money as necessary.

The undersigned certifies that the information set forth in this application and accompanying papers is correct and complete to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Dated, October 21, 1955 at Montrose, Colorado

John A. Williams
William H. Williams

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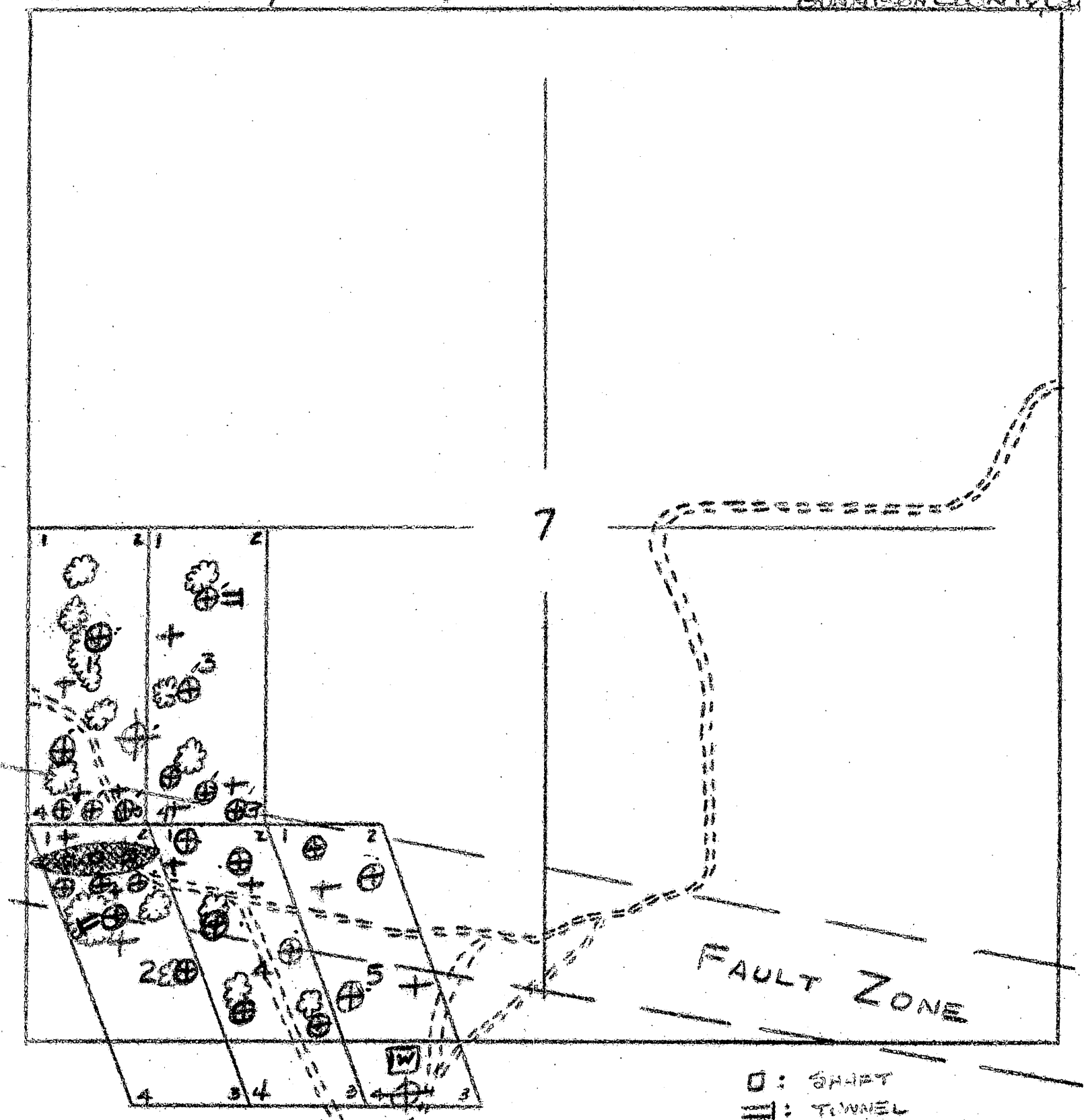

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: URANIFEROUS OUTCROPS

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: TUNNEL

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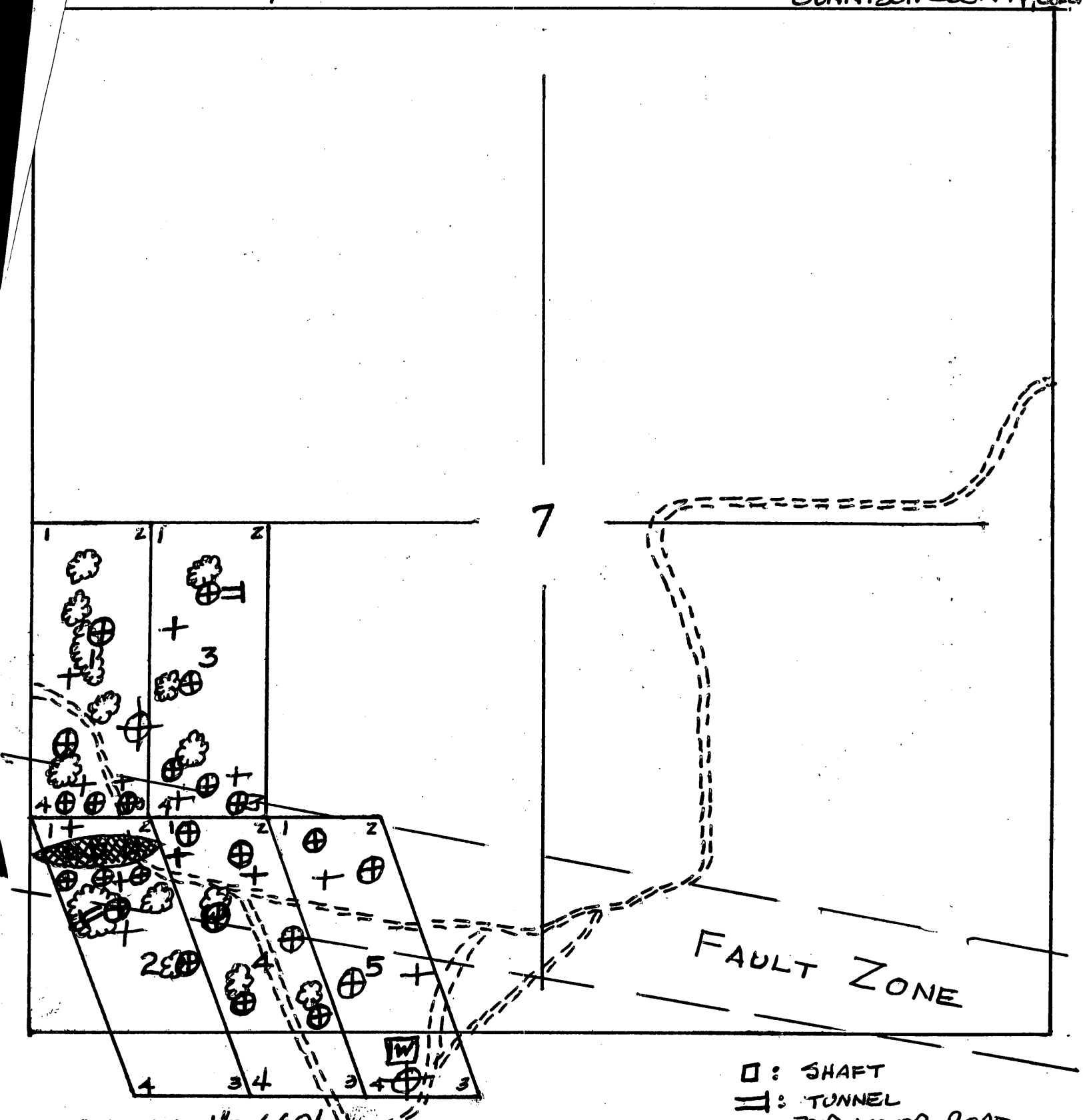

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