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INTERIOR BOARD OF LAND APPEALS
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MARGARET J. KELLY
EX OFFICIO CLERK OF
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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MEMORANDUM

TO: State Director, California State Office

FROM: James L. Duraki, Administrative Judge

SUBJECT: Appeal of Inyo County Board of Supervisors, IRLA 80-851

The Board of Supervisors has appealed from your denial of its protest of the final wilderness inventory decision for various areas of Inyo County. The appeal concerns Wilderness Study Areas CA-010-060, CA-010-063, CA-010-065 and CA-010-068 particularly. The protest, your response to the protest, and the appeal all make reference to the December 28, 1979, Final Intensive Wilderness Inventory Report for areas outside the California Desert Conservation Area. A copy of this report was not included in the case file submitted to this Office. Since the protest and appeal originate from the findings in this report with respect to the above-identified areas, I ask that you send a copy of the report to me at your earliest convenience.

cc: County of Inyo, Board of Supervisors, Courthouse, Independence, Calif. 93526

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In the Rooms of the Board of Supervisors

County of Inyo, State of California

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I HEREBY CERTIFY, That at a meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Inyo, State of California, held in their rooms at the Court House in Independence on the 9th day of December, 1980, an order was duly made and entered as follows:

M./Desert Plan Lawsuit
 ed by Supervisor McDonald, seconded by Supervisor Muth to authorize the
 unty Counsel to join the Attorney General Office in their suit against
 Bureau of Land Management California Desert Plan; and authorize the
 unty Counsel file a brief with the court stating Inyo County is joining
 e lawsuit, and authorize the County Counsel to appear in court in
 s Angeles on the lawsuit.

tion carried unanimously.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of said Board
 as the same appears of record in my office. this 9th day of December, 1980

APPROVED FOR ENTRY

M. MARGARET BROMLEY
 County Clerk and ex-Officio Clerk of said Board.

Auditor. By Helli Husar

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BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
California Desert District
1695 Spruce Street
Riverside, California 92507

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Clerk, Board of Supervisors
Inyo County
P.O. Box 37.
Independence, CA 93526

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MARGARET BROMLEY
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Gentlemen:

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This office is currently preparing a report for the Department of the Interior, and ultimately for Congress, which describes our recommendations on the nonsuitability of certain BLM-administered lands under wilderness review. We would like to take an opportunity to brief you on your recommendations within Inyo County.

The time frame for this report is being accelerated, so that lands found to be unsuitable for wilderness designation can be released from relatively restrictive "interim management" guidelines, and managed in accordance with other multiple use guidelines which allow for a wider and more intensive range of uses.

In order to meet the tight schedule of the accelerated report, we request the opportunity, during the week of May 4, or if not convenient to you, during the week of the 11th, to present to the Board of Supervisors our recommendations as they affect your County. Such a meeting would serve as a primary vehicle for the Board to express their views and concerns, if any. While primarily concerned with wilderness and "releasing" unsuitable lands under wilderness review, this meeting can also serve as an opportunity to discuss some of the major issues of the California Desert Plan. This wilderness report is an implementing action and should be of major importance and interest in your County.

In order to meet the tight schedule of the accelerated report, it is important that we receive an early response to this request. Although the presentation will be made by myself or the Resource Area Manager, if you have any questions or concerns regarding this report or the briefing schedule, please contact David Eslinger, District Wilderness Coordinator, at (714) 787-1466.

Thank you for this opportunity to work toward our mutual objectives.

Sincerely,

Gerald E. Hillier
District Manager

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Review

Discussion occurred regarding the Bureau of Land Management's request to appear before the Board to discuss nonsuitability of certain B.L.M. administered lands under wilderness review. It was noted that the appearance of the B.L.M. representative is scheduled for the May 12, 1981 meeting at 10:30 A.M. Mr. Hilton stated that it is his understanding that there are major amendments to the plan that are being considered.

DATE: May 19, 1981

TO: : Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

FROM: Planning Department

SUBJECT: REQUESTED AGENDA ITEM, BOARD MEETING OF ~~May 20, 1981~~ June 2, 81

NOTE: This form does not require typing. Form is to accompany agenda material and must be delivered to the Clerk of the Board before 5:00 P.M. on the Wednesday before the Board Day.

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1. PLACE ON AGENDA

Consent

Administrator

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Written Correspondence

Scheduled Hearing - Time _____

2. CONSENT OR WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE AGENDA ITEMS:

Indicate exact wording desired for subject (include action of the Board requested or recommended, if any).

3. REGULAR OR SCHEDULED AGENDA ITEMS:

a. Indicate section of agenda desired.

b. Indicate exact working desired for agenda.

c. Indicate each letter, agreement, transfer, etc. (be sure to include all pertinent background material necessary for Board review. 10 copies of background material needed.)

PLANNING DEPARTMENT: Report on BLM recommendations on the California Desert Plan.

Attachments: Staff Report

4. CAO Remarks:



PLANNING DEPARTMENT

Drawer L • INDEPENDENCE • CALIFORNIA 93526 • (714) 878-2411 (Ext. 318)

M E M OTO: Inyo County Board of Supervisors
FROM: Inyo County Planning Department

DATE: May 21, 1981

Re: Bureau of Land Management Recommendations on the California Desert Plan

At your May 12, 1981 meeting, the BLM presented their latest recommendations on the California Desert Plan to the Board of Supervisors. These recommendations included the removal of 901,901 acres of Non-Suitable WSA's from the Plan. However, approximately 805,831 acres are still recommended for Wilderness in the Plan. The Planning Department has reviewed the revised version of the BLM California Desert Plan and has the following comments:

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There are no problems with Non-Suitable Wilderness Study Areas (NSWA) 103, 104, 105, 107A, 111, 112, 115, 117A, 118, 120, 121, 122, 124, 130, 131, 132, 132A, 132B, 134, 136, 137, 137A, 145, 147, 148, 149, 149A, 150A, 154, 157, 158, and 222. Please note many of their boundaries are inconsistent too, but there is no apparent conflict.

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IN REPLY REFER TO

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BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
California Desert District
1695 Spruce Street
Riverside, California 92507

MAY 20 1981

Mr. Ted Hilton
County of Inyo
Independence, CA 93526

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Dear Ted:

INYO CO. PLANNING DEPT.

Nice to see you at the Supervisor's Meeting on Tuesday. We have had a couple good sessions recently. I am beginning to feel more "at home" with Inyo County issues.

You asked for our "road map" for the Desert upon which the Wilderness Inventory was based. The attached map is that effort. It does, though, have the limitations I explained:

- It reflects the area road definition adopted for the Wilderness Inventory, which required maintenance. This was not, and is not, an access or management definition for access routes.
- In heavily eroded areas or in areas where there was less than 5000 contiguous acres of public (BLM) land, we did not complete the road system inventory if there was no need for doing so.

I hope this will respond to your questions.

After reflecting on the Supervisor's questions, I continue to feel that yours, and their concerns over access can best be addressed as input to the route approval process, and is not really a wilderness issue.

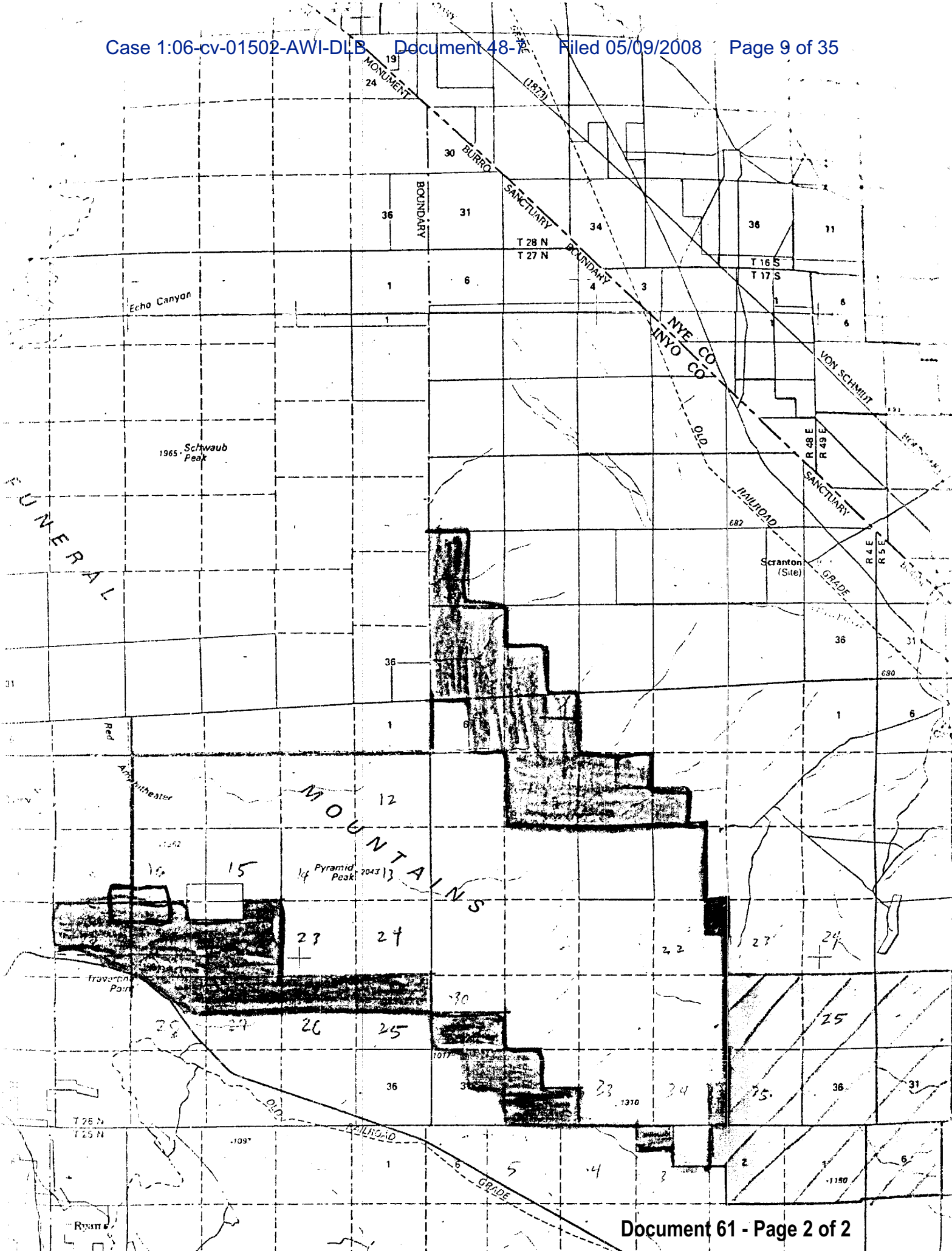
Again, good to see you. We will stay in touch.

Sincerely,

Gerald E. Hillier
District Manager

Enclosure

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BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
California Desert District
1100 Spruce Street
Livermore, California 92507

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MARGARET BROMLEY
EX OFFICIO CLERK OF
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Dear Citizen:
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It is a pleasure for me to send you this Executive Summary of the completed California Desert Plan and to thank you and the thousands of others who offered advice, criticism and support during the planning process. I urge you to maintain your involvement in the important job of implementation, which promises to be as intensive an effort as development of the Plan.

The Plan was approved by the Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Land and Water Resources, Guy Martin, on December 17, 1980, and was concurred in by Secretary Andrus.

On April 16, 1981, Secretary of the Interior James Watt announced his approval for implementing the Plan, saying "It balances uses and competing demands within the area. It permits development where appropriate while at the same time, protects unique public values".

We are moving ahead with implementation now, and propose to keep you informed of progress in this effort, and invite your input.

Should you wish a copy of the complete detailed Plan, write to the address on the letterhead, or call (714) 787-1462, and we will be happy to send you one at no charge.

Sincerely yours,

Gerald E. Hillier
District Manager

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County of Inyo, State of California

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I HEREBY CERTIFY, That at a meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Inyo, State of California, held in their rooms at the Court House in Independence on the 2nd day of June, 19 81, an order was duly made and entered as follows:

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT - California Desert Plan Recommendations

Moved by Supervisor Muth, seconded by Supervisor Johnson to receive and file the latest recommendations received from the Bureau of Land Management on the California Desert Plan, and support the B.L.M.'s decision to remove from consideration those areas which were labeled as Non-Suitable WSA's; stating that Inyo County is still in opposition to the extensive wilderness areas proposed in Inyo County, and stating that this action on the California Desert Plan does in no way effect or alter the legal suit that Inyo County is participating in against the California Desert Plan; and directed the Planning Department to identify those areas of discrepancy between the various maps received from the B.L.M.

Motion carried unanimously.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of said Board
as the same appears of record in my office. this 2nd day of June, 19 81

APPROVED FOR ENTRY

MARGARET BROMLEY,
County Clerk and ex-Officio Clerk of said Board.

Auditor. By [Signature]
Deputy

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PLANNING DEPARTMENT

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M E M O

TO: Ted Hilton, Planning Director
FROM: Gerry Budlong, Assoc. Planner

DATE: June 12, 1981

Stan Zuber, Outdoor Rec. Planner, phone call concerning May 1981 Wilderness Map inconsistencies.

These concerns are currently being reviewed by Mr. Stan Zuber, Outdoor Recreational Planner and Inyo Planning Staff. The preliminary conclusion appears to be one of simple mapping errors being made on the Wilderness Study Map of May 1981. BLM Staff is aware of County concerns and attempting to arrive at a prompt resolution to our concerns.

As an update of the above, Mr. Zuber immediately called back. He said Riverside will not waver in their opinion that the May Map is right; the California Desert Plan Map and Ridgecrest Office is wrong. Mr. Zuber will be at our offices next Monday, June 15, 1981, to document our concerns on 7½ minute topo maps where our concerns will be sent to Riverside for review and resolution.

M E M O

TO: CALIFORNIA DESERT PLAN FILE
FROM: Gerry Budlong, Assoc. Planner

DATE: June 17, 1981

On June 15, 1981, Ted Hilton, Planning Director, Gerry Budlong, Assoc. Planner, met with Margaret Phillips, Wilderness Coordinator and Stan Zuber, Outdoor Recreational Planner, both representatives from the Ridgecrest Area Office of BLM. We discussed the inconsistencies of four proposed wilderness areas. The first one was Wilderness Study Area (WSA) 117 at the Last Chance Mountain area near the mining area called Crater. The non-suitable wilderness area (NWSA) has been eliminated by the May map and as a result the wilderness area is further encroaching upon mineral rich materials.

In WSA 117 the NWSA is drawn incorrectly with a result that there is further encroachment of proposed wilderness in the Talc Mineralized area. Further in WSA 117, the northern boundary of the wilderness has been expanded to the Death Valley Road which is not consistent with the Desert Plan. Lastly, along the western boundary of WSA 117 wilderness has been expanded westward so as to use the Saline Rd. as a boundary which is inconsistent with the adopted Desert Plan.

WSA 123-HUNTER MOUNTAIN

WSA 123 has had the boundary readjusted. We were unable, at the meeting, to determine the justification of the new boundary since it is not tied down to either natural boundary such as crest of hills or stream channels nor are they surveyed boundaries. They promised they would research the justification of the boundaries and get back with us. Also, in WSA 123 the western boundary has been expanded westward to utilize the Grapeview Canyon Rd. as a western boundary. Whereas the Desert Plan shows a boundary east of the Road.

WSA 127

Our concerns in this WSA is that the western boundary has been expanded westward to encroach upon the rim boundary of the Darwin Plateau, whereas previously the western boundary was well east of the new boundary.

WSA 142

We have very grave concerns about this expansion of wilderness. The wilderness area has been expanded to surround the Myers Ranch and utilize the Butte Valley Warm Springs Road as a western boundary. Whereas previously the boundary was 1-2 miles eastward. Also, the boundary has been expanded to encroach upon the Lotus Mine vicinity. The encroachment has also been expanded westward approximately 1-2 miles. Furthermore, the southwest boundary of WSA 142 has encroached upon additional land within the Panamint Mountains and has further expanded northward and westward upon Panamint Valley itself. The main issue of these large expansions is that the wilderness area encroaches upon both prospectively valuable mineral deposits and geothermal deposits. Mr. Zuber and Ms. Phillips documented their concerns on 15 minute topo sheets and they said they would talk with the Riverside District staff about clarification of these apparent inconsistencies from the adopted Desert Plan. They will get back with the Planning Dept. as soon as they get direction.



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BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
Ridgecrest Resource Area
1415A No. Norma Street
Ridgecrest, CA 93555

Mr. Ted Hilton, Planning Director
County of Inyo Planning Department
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Independence, California 93526

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Dear Ted:

INYO CO. PLANNING DEPT.

Thank you for the list of members of the Searles Valley-Homewood Canyon Citizens Advisory Committee. We will be contacting them in the near future to review the California Desert Plan and answer any questions they may have.

As you requested during our meeting on February 5, 1981, I have prepared a list of ACEC plans we'll be writing in Inyo County during the next two years. They are as follows:

1981

1982

Eureka Valley Dunes
Surprise Canyon
Sand Canyon

White Mountain City
Saline Valley
Cerro Gordo
Darwin Falls/Canyon
Rose Springs Area
Fossil Falls
Great Falls Basin Area

I have enclosed copies of maps of these areas for your information. The plans scheduled for completion in 1981 will be written in draft form by June 30, and we will send you copies for your review and comments. Also, if you, members of your staff, or County Supervisors would like an informational tour of these areas we would be glad to provide such a tour. (Interim Management prescriptions for the ACECs are found in Volume C, Appendix IV of the Desert Plan.)

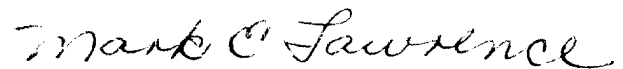
At the present, we have not developed a priority list for completing wilderness study reports in Inyo County but will be doing this within the next month and will send you a copy. The Saline Range (WSA 117) and Inyo Mountains (WSA 122) are the highest priority areas in the county, however. As far as road designations for vehicles are concerned, the only area we have scheduled in Inyo County this year is the portion of the Sierra Nevada extending from Sand Canyon on the south to the boundary of the Sequoia National Forest east of Ball Mountain and just southwest of Dunmovin. As we discussed with you, we will coordinate closely with the Inyo County Road and Sheriff's Departments during the designation process.

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Mary Sue Sweet	
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Other	

Finally, our roundup of burros has been completed in Saline Valley for this year and 496 burros were removed. The burro gathering operations are now being moved to the northern end of Panamint Valley and will begin working south along the Panamint Range plus north of the Naval Weapons Center in the Darwin Area. Gathering will continue through April and we will inform you of the numbers removed in these areas upon completion.

If you should have any questions or need further information, please contact me.

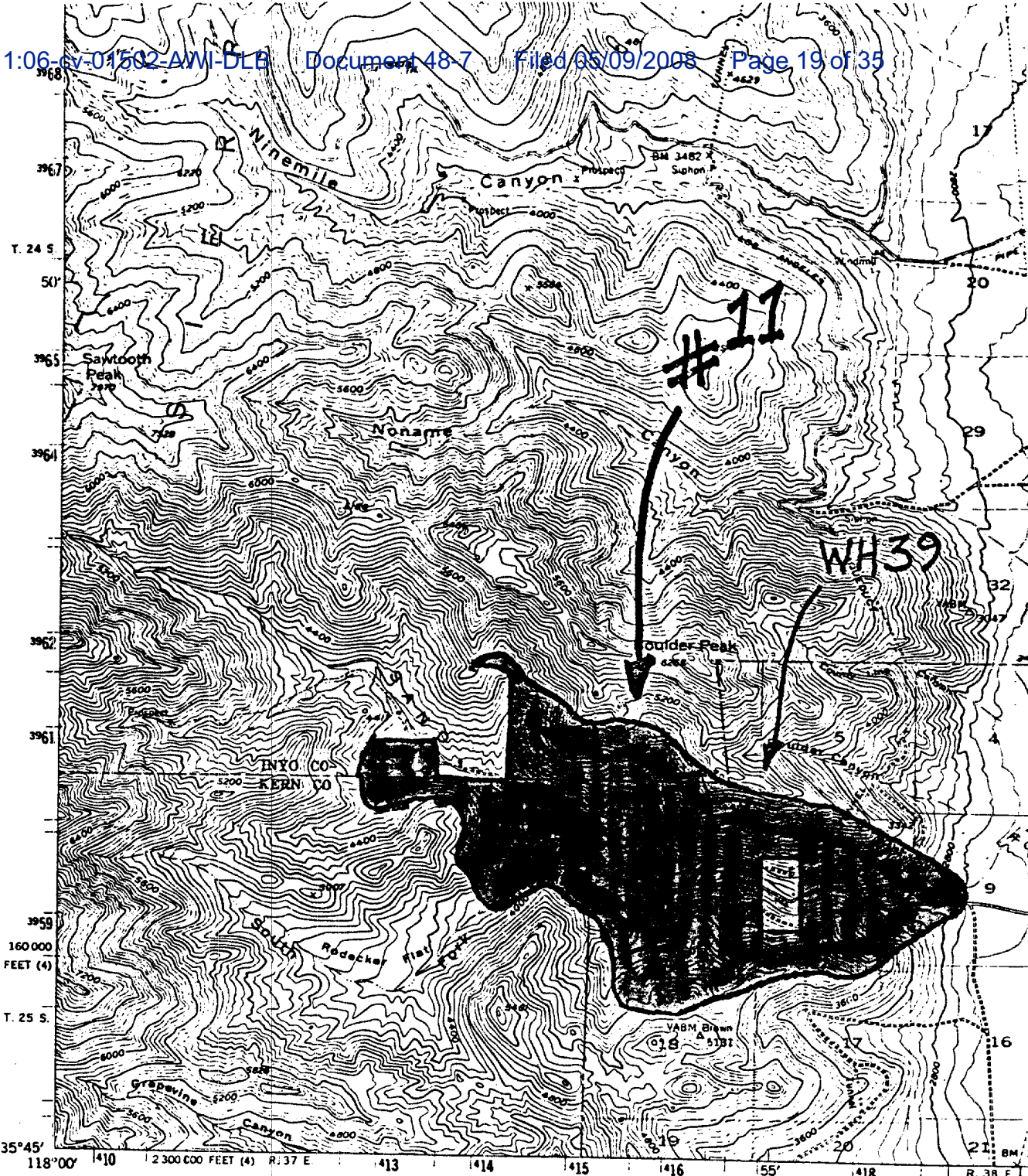
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Mark E. Lawrence
Area Manager

Enclosures





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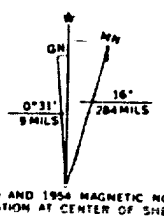
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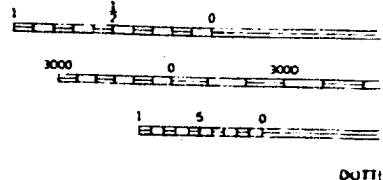
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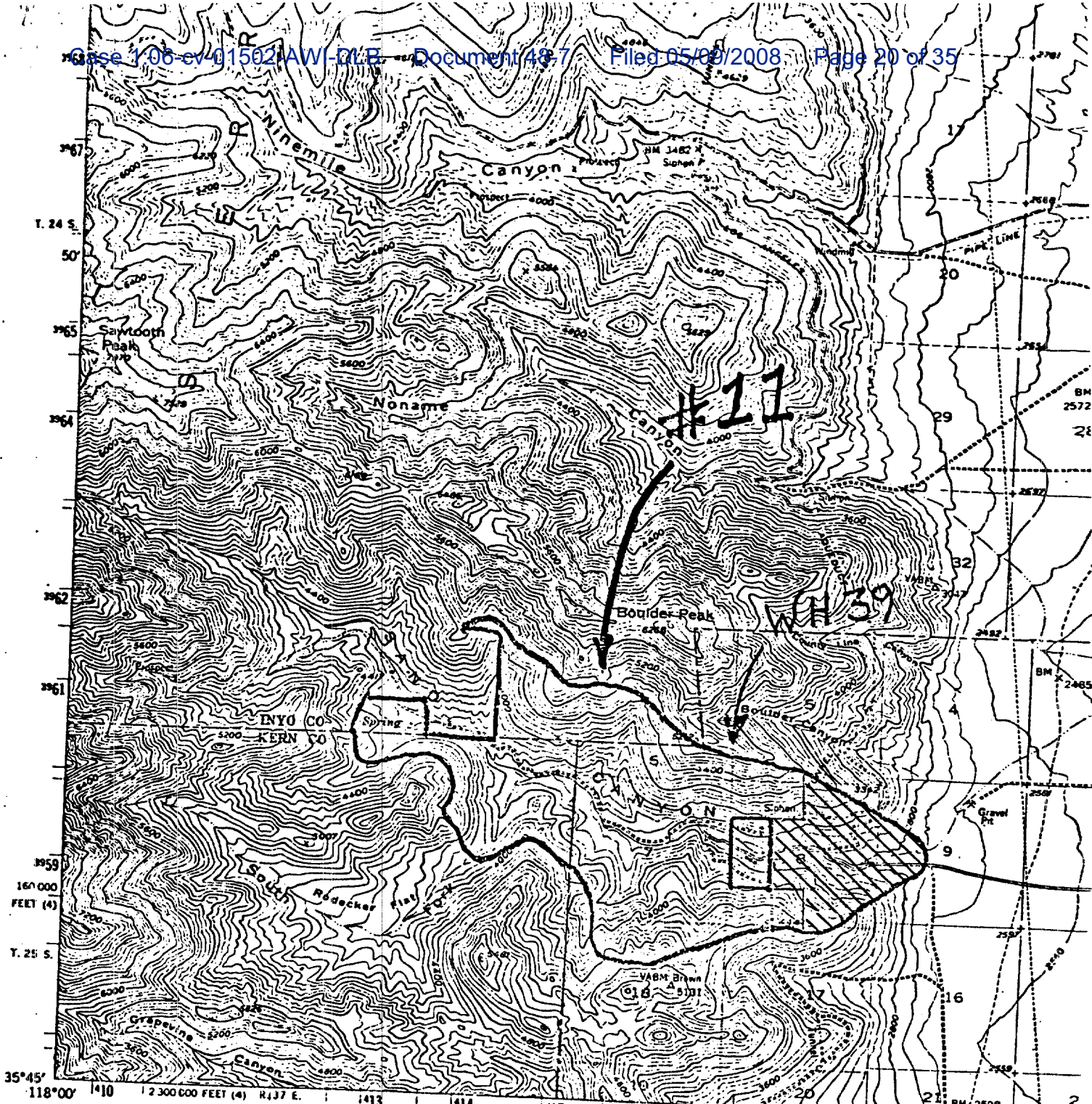
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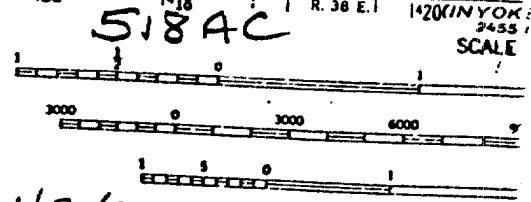
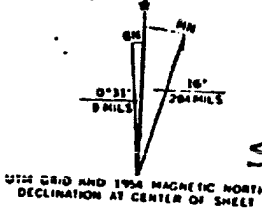
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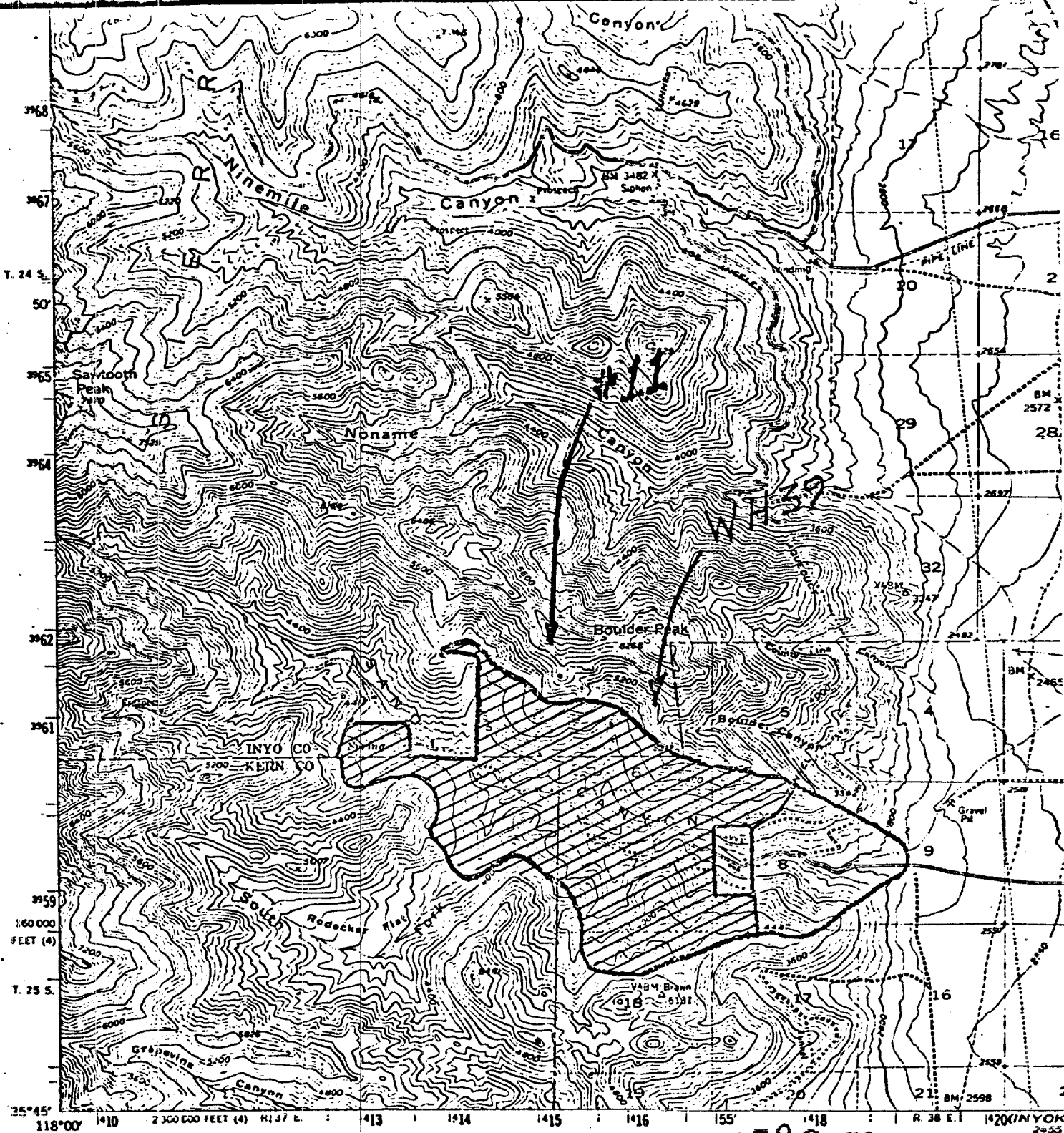
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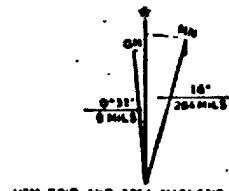
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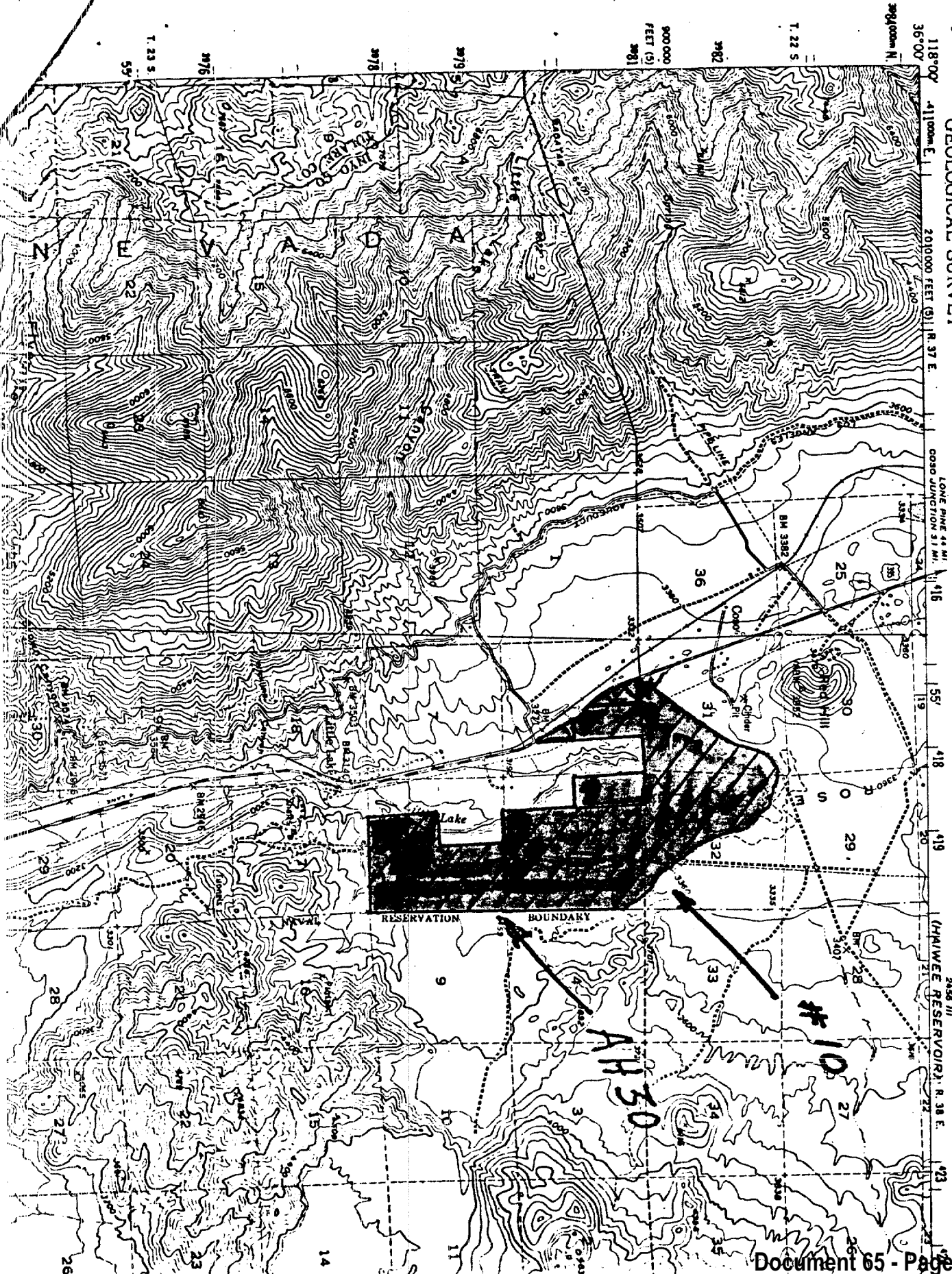
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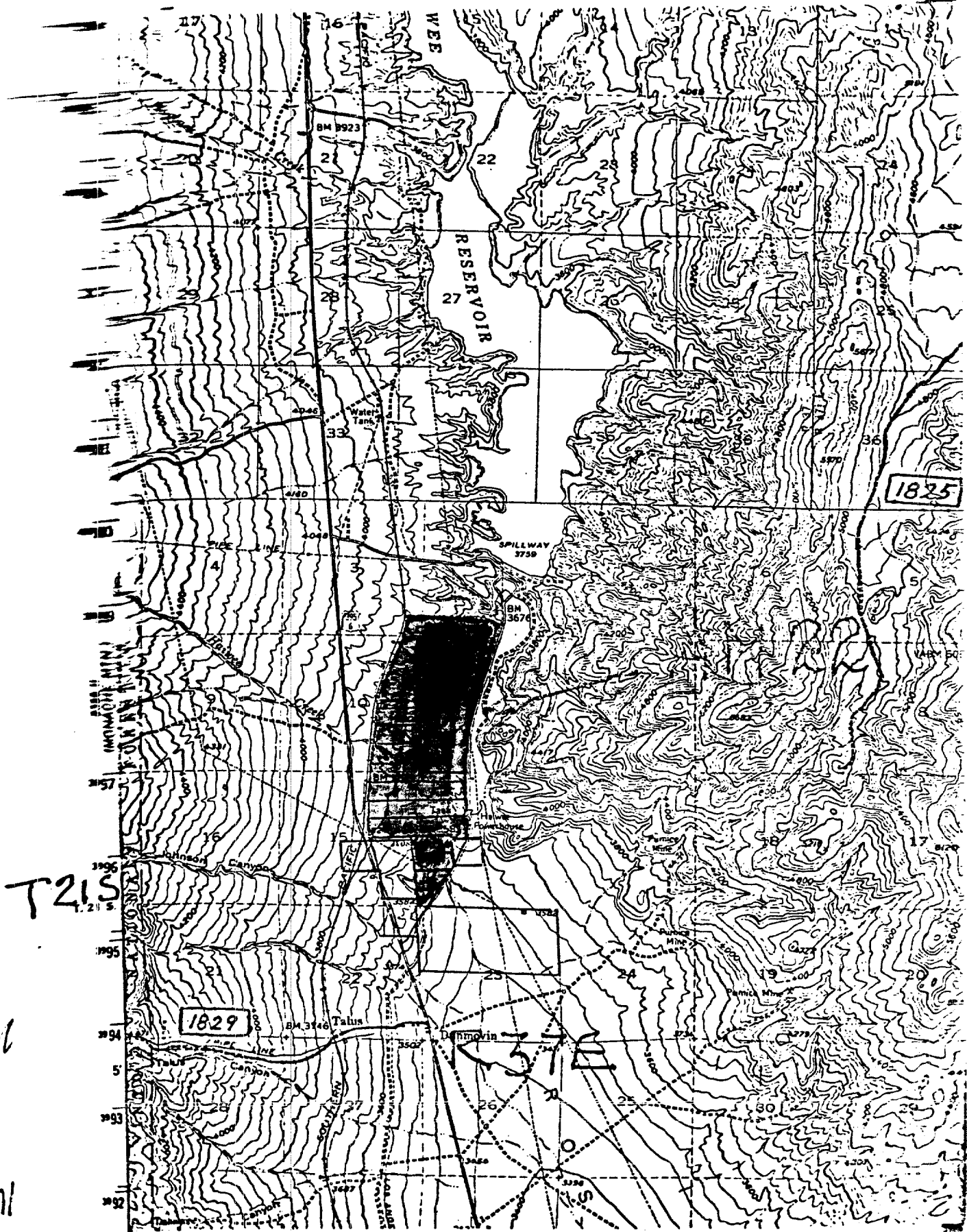
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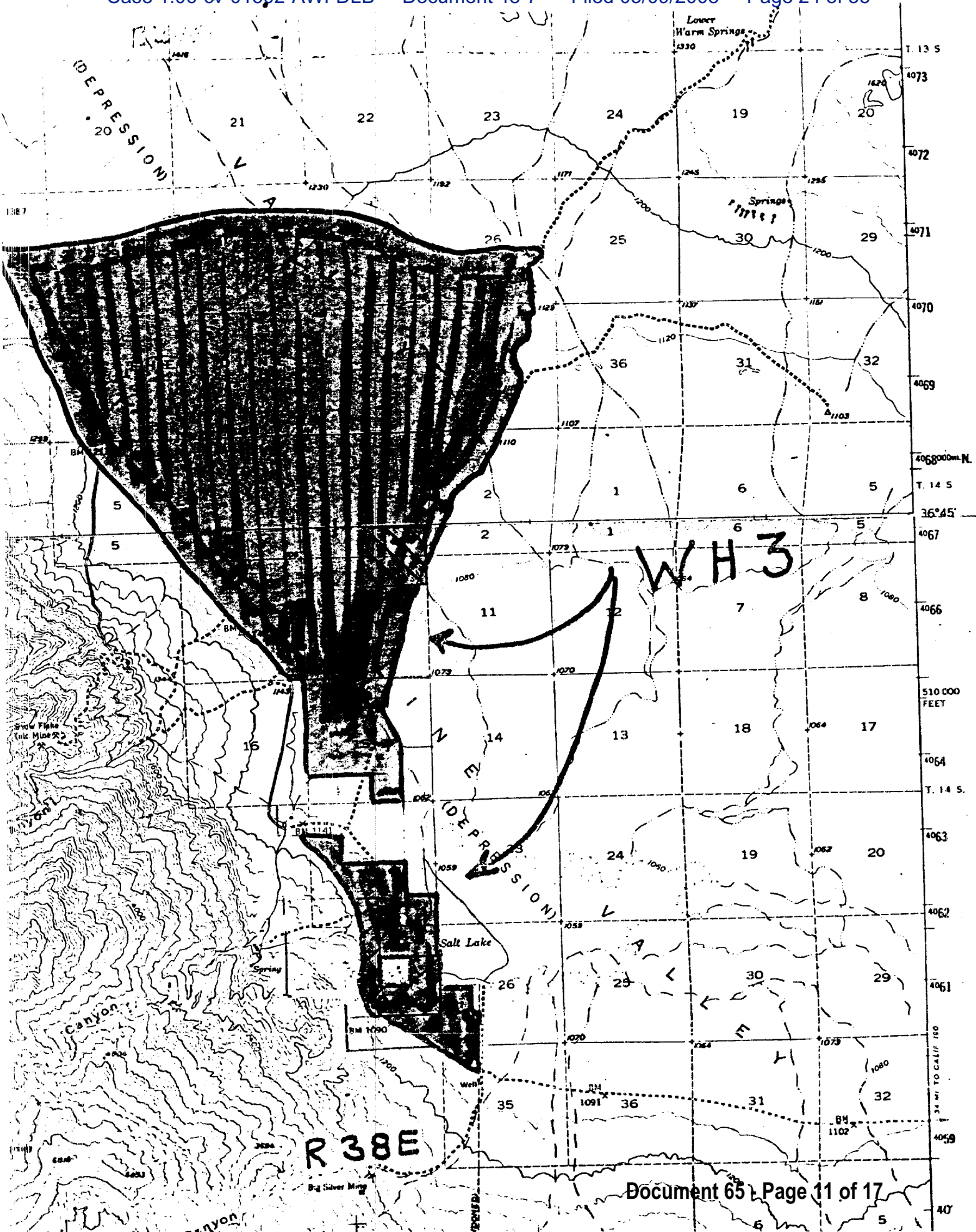
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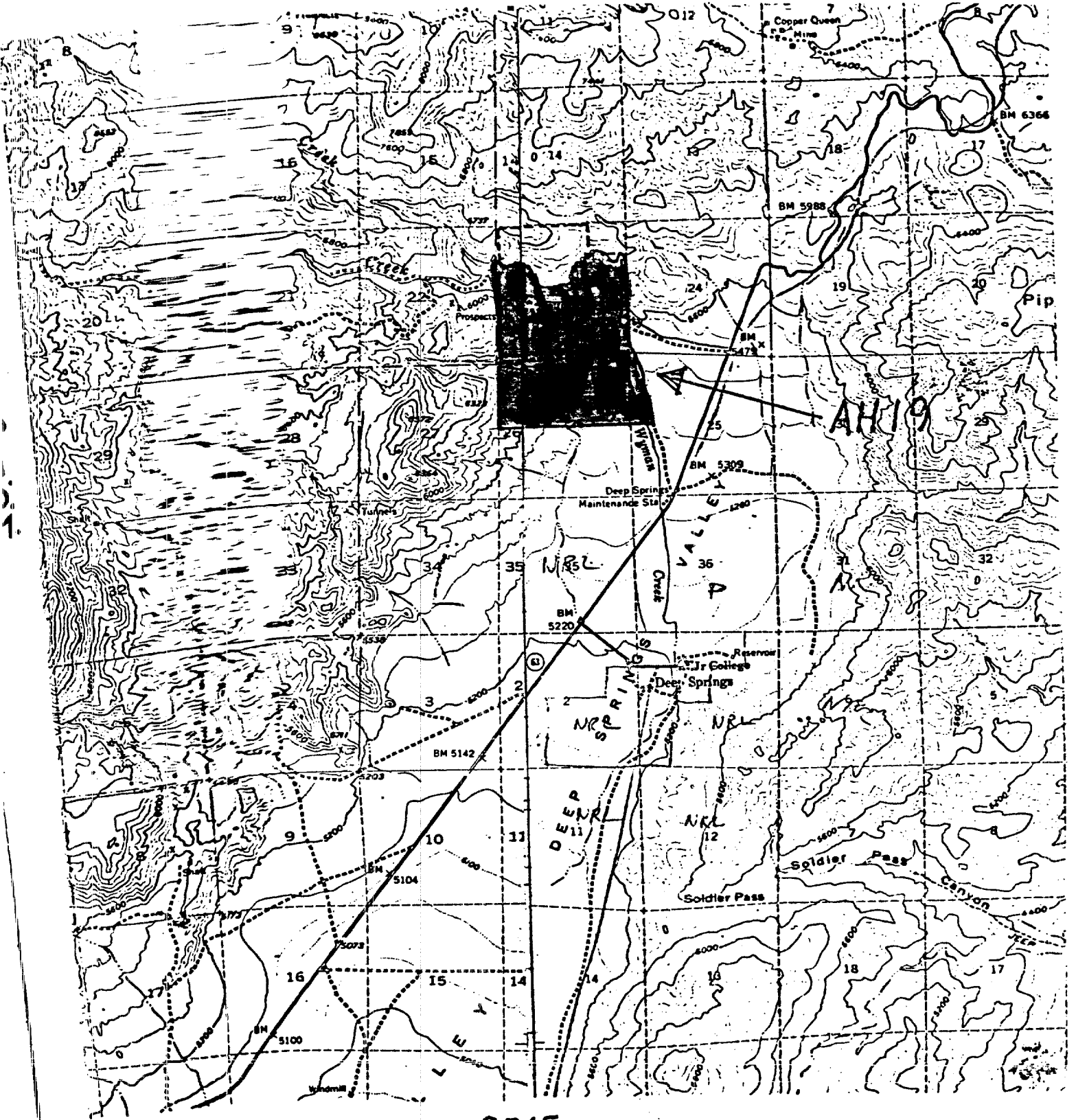
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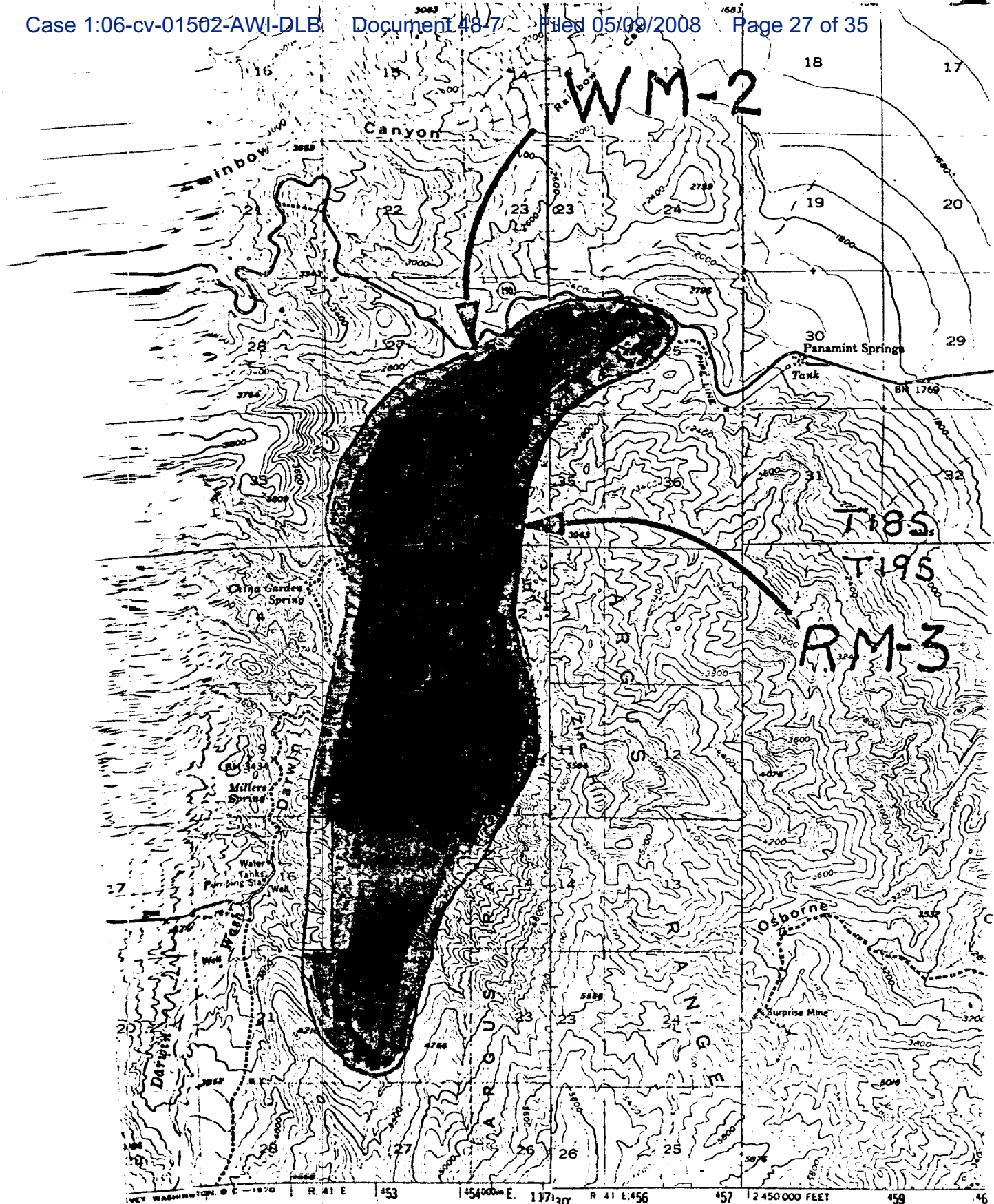
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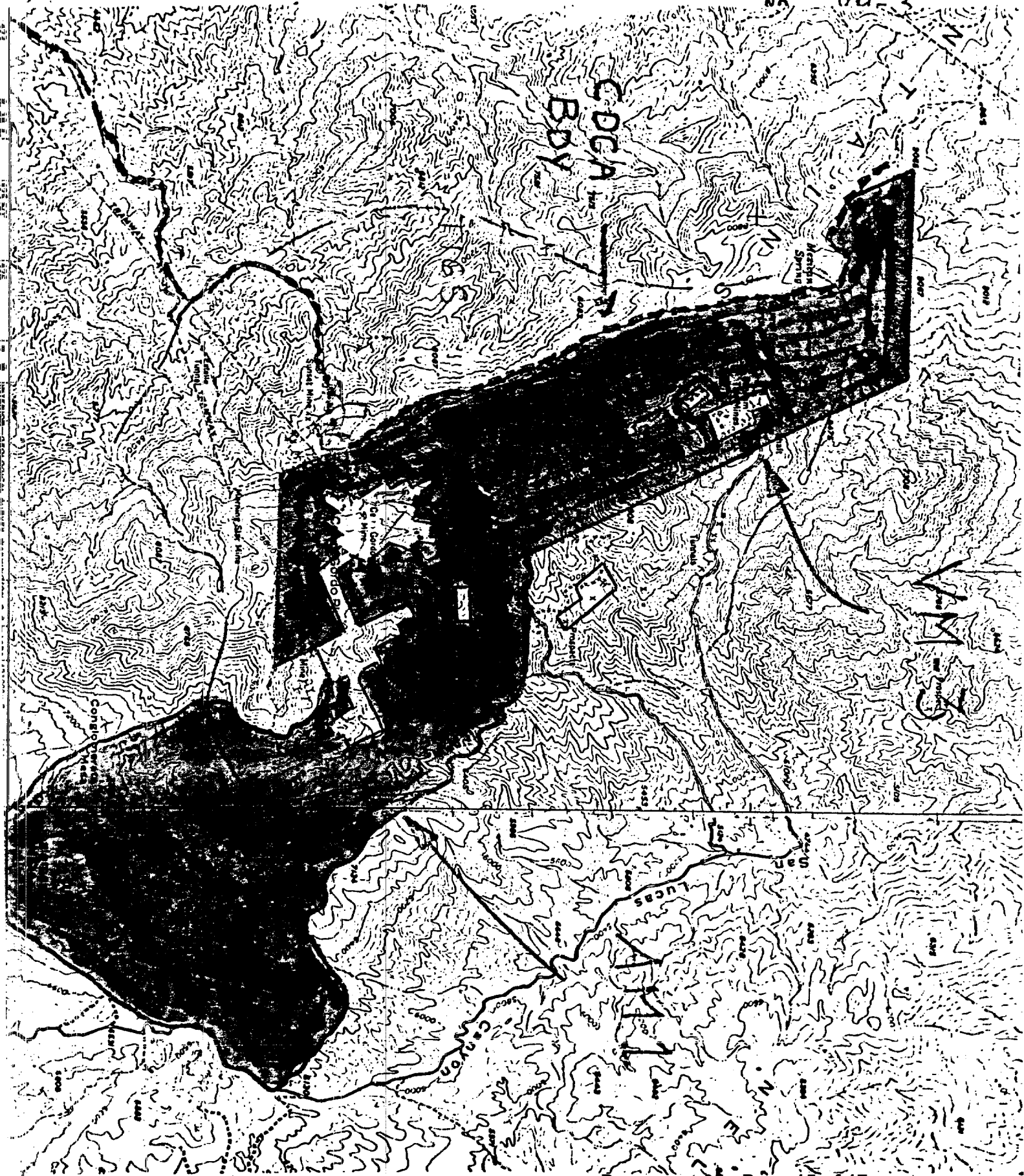
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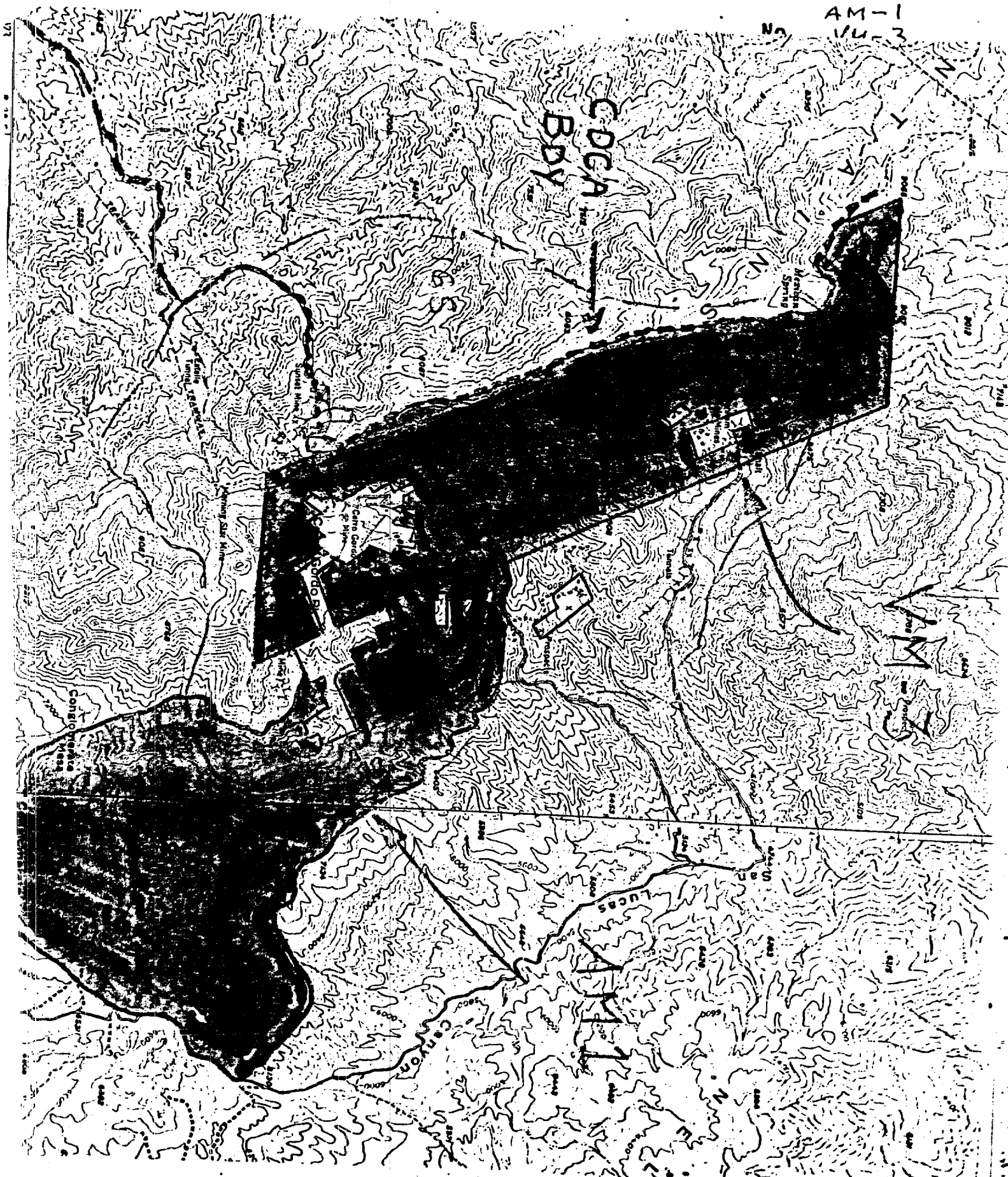
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June 17, 1981

Bureau of Land Management
Ms. Margaret Phillips
Wilderness Coordinator
Ridgecrest Area Office
Ridgecrest, CA 93555

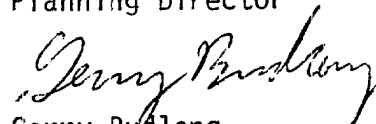
Dear Margaret:

Again we would like to thank you and Stan Zuber for coming to our office in Independence to discuss the concerns of the Board of Supervisors pertaining to suitable wilderness boundaries. We are enclosing Sheet 2 of 24 of the Inyo County Road System, specifically, the Eureka Valley Road area as you requested.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely,

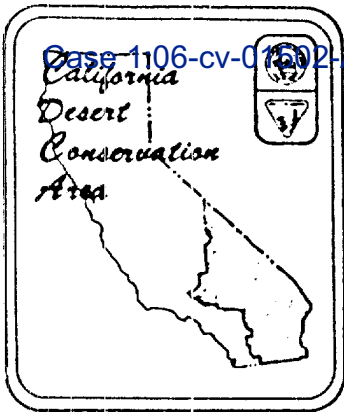
Ted Hilton
Planning Director


Gerry Budlong
Associate Planner

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JUNE 20, 1981



... an invitation to comment

DEAR READER:

THIS MARKS THE SIXTH MONTH FOLLOWING THE CALIFORNIA DESERT PLAN APPROVAL. IN KEEPING WITH THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE PLAN, IT ALSO MARKS THE START OF THE BUREAU'S SEMI-ANNUAL REVIEW PROCESS.

EVERY SIX MONTHS, FOR AT LEAST THE NEXT FOUR YEARS, THE BUREAU WILL BE TAKING A LOOK AT THE DESERT PLAN TO ENSURE THAT IT IS MEETING THE GOALS AND OBJECTIVES WE HAD ESTABLISHED EARLIER. WE'LL BE TALKING WITH PEOPLE LIKE YOURSELVES TO SEE WHETHER OR NOT CHANGES WE HADN'T ANTICIPATED EARLIER HAVE OCCURRED AND WHETHER OR NOT THESE CHANGES WARRANT SOME TYPE OF MODIFICATION IN THE PLAN. SIX MONTHS MAY SEEM LIKE AN AWFULLY SHORT TIME, BUT THE CALIFORNIA DESERT PLAN IS THE FIRST OF ITS KIND; IT COVERS A LARGE REGION AND DEALS WITH MANY PROGRAMS. INCONSISTENCIES ARE BOUND TO CROP UP, AND AS THEY DO WE'D LIKE TO RESOLVE THEM AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE.

FOR THE NEXT 60 DAYS WE'LL BE COLLECTING REQUESTS AND COMMENTS ON PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO OR CHANGES IN THE CALIFORNIA DESERT PLAN. YOUR COMMENTS ARE WELCOMED. WE'LL BE ANALYZING THE COMMENTS TO SEE WHETHER OR NOT THEY INDICATE AMENDING THE PLAN AND WHAT SIGNIFICANCE OF CHANGE THEY WILL REQUIRE. WE WILL USE THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA TO DETERMINE JUST HOW SIGNIFICANT THESE AMENDMENTS ARE:

- (1) DOES THE INFORMATION REPRESENT A NEW ISSUE ? THE SUPPORTING RATIONALE MUST SHOW THAT THERE IS A COMPLETE SET OF CIRCUMSTANCES AROUND A CENTRAL PROBLEM OR PROGRAM THAT WAS NOT CONSIDERED IN THE APPROVED PLAN DECISION PROCESS.
- (2) DOES THE INFORMATION REPRESENT NEW AND SIGNIFICANT DATA ON AN EXISTING ISSUE ? THE SUPPORTING RATIONALE MUST SHOW THAT THE INFORMATION IS NEW, WAS NOT CONSIDERED DURING THE PREVIOUS DECISIONS, AND WOULD NOW CHANGE PREVIOUS DECISIONS.
- (3) DOES THE INFORMATION REPRESENT A FORMAL CHANGE IN STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT OR OTHER AGENCY PLANS ? THE SUPPORTING RATIONALE MUST SHOW THAT STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT APPROVED PLANS OR MAJOR OFFICIAL CHANGES IN OTHER FEDERAL AGENCY PLANS OR POLICIES MADE SINCE THE DESERT PLAN'S APPROVAL WOULD AFFECT PLAN DECISIONS.
- (4) DOES THE INFORMATION REPRESENT A CHANGE IN LEGAL OR REGULATORY MANDATE ? THE SUPPORTING RATIONALE MUST SHOW THAT FEDERAL STATUTE, REGULATION, OR FORMAL POLICY WOULD CHANGE OR OTHERWISE AFFECT PLAN DECISIONS WHEN APPLIED TO THE DESERT PLAN.

PLEASE SEND YOUR COMMENTS TO:

CALIFORNIA DESERT DISTRICT
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
1695 SPRUCE STREET
RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA 92507
(714) 787-1462

WE HAVE EXTENDED THE NORMALLY REQUIRED 30 DAY REVIEW PERIOD TO 60 DAYS TO INSURE THAT EVERYONE HAS AN OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW THE FINAL PRINTED VERSION OF THE PLAN. IF YOU HAVEN'T ALREADY RECEIVED A COPY OF THE PLAN, AND WOULD LIKE A COPY, WRITE IN CARE OF THE ABOVE ADDRESS.

SINCERELY,

Gerald E. Hillier
GERALD E. HILLIER
CALIFORNIA DESERT DISTRICT MANAGER

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JUN 26 1981

MARGARET BRONLEY
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TO: Ted Hilton, Planning Director
FROM: Gerry Budlong, Assoc. Planner

DATE: June 25, 1981

Re: Concerns of the Board pertaining to Wilderness Expansion

Margaret Phillips, BLM Ridgecrest Wilderness Coordinator called on June 24, 1981 to inform the Planning Department on the progress of the June 2, 1981 concerns of the Board of Supervisors.

She related that Riverside went over our remaining concerns. The position of the Riverside District is that the maps of "The California Desert Conservation Area Plan 1980" are not the official maps. Because of scale problems the official map is the map presented to the Board on May 12, 1981 by Mr. Hillier. Therefore, in the case of discrepancies between the Desert Plan Maps and the May 1981 map, the May map shows the current boundaries.

Ms. Phillips stated that an official 250,000 map scale map of the Desert Plan will soon be subject to public review. It will be leaving the Riverside District Office this week but she didn't know when it will be available to the public.

She also stated that the Ridgecrest Office will be working on Suitable Wilderness Study Areas under this fiscal year. However, the WSA is not in Inyo County. There is also no deadlines set for the completion of the WSA study.

As far as the remaining concerns of the Board (SWSA's 117, 123, 127 and 142), the Riverside District has received the letter from Planning, June 12, 1981 and Board Order June 2, 1981 and they (District) will not respond in writing to the concerns.

I asked if the Ridgecrest Office could respond and she replied the Area Office would send a letter with as much detail as the Riverside District would allow. She said she would see Mr. Lawrence about the letter.





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California Desert District
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Ted Hilton, Director
Planning Department
County of Inyo
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Independence, CA 93526

Dear Mr. ~~Hilton~~: *Ted*

The recommendations of your Department presented on June 9 to Chris Rush of the Bureau of Land Management, Barstow Resource Area Office, have been received and reviewed by this office. We confirm that the boundary of the Class C portion of Wilderness Study Area #143, as presented by your staff, accurately depicts the intent of the Final Desert Plan.

The enclosed map properly delineates the boundaries of WSA #143, and those portions of the WSA tentatively recommended as suitable and nonsuitable for wilderness designation. Your contributions have been most helpful and are appreciated.

Sincerely,

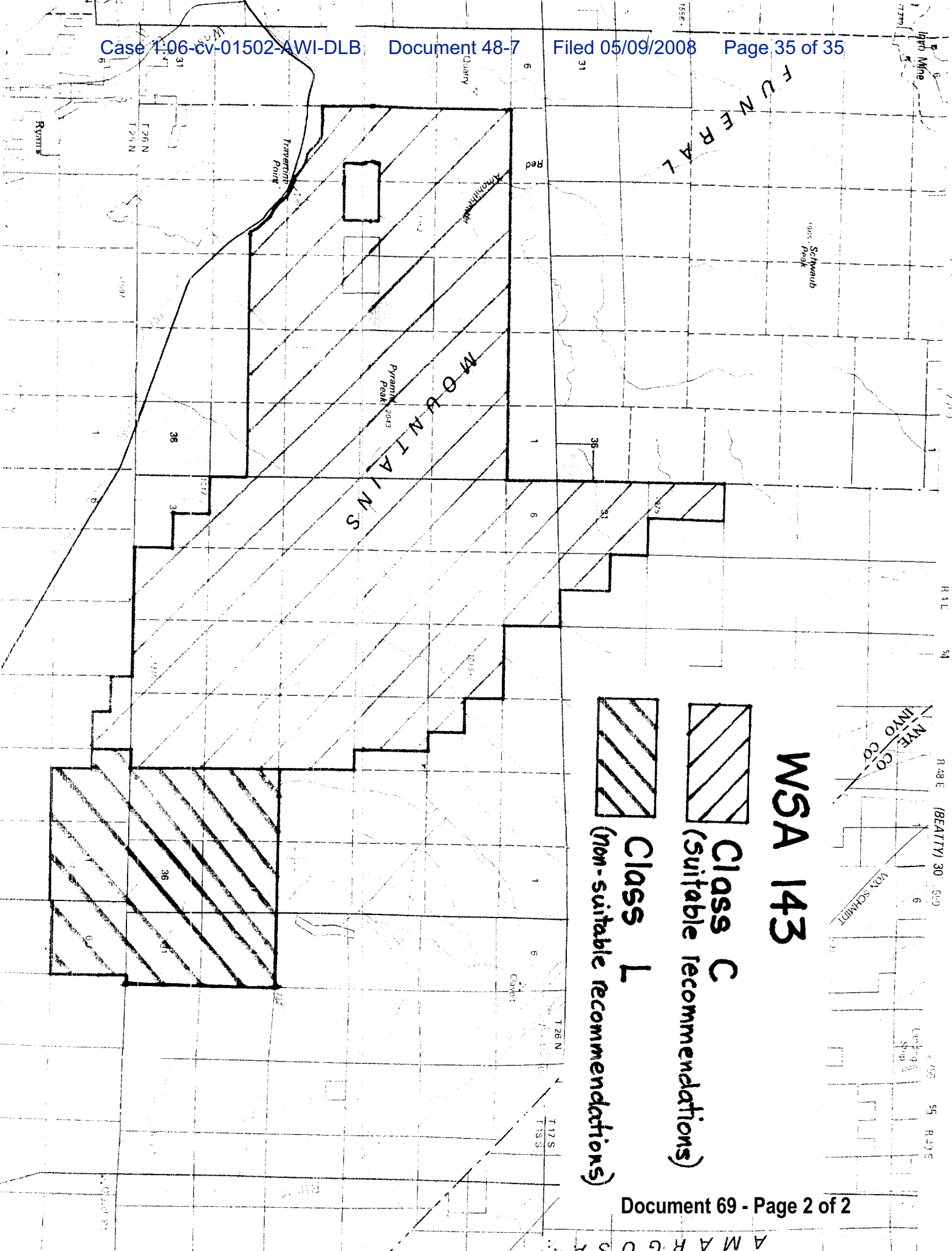
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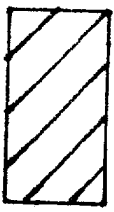
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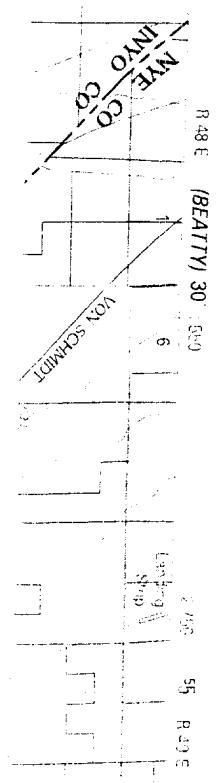
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WSA 143

 **Class C**
(suitable recommendations)

 **Class L**
(non-suitable recommendations)



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