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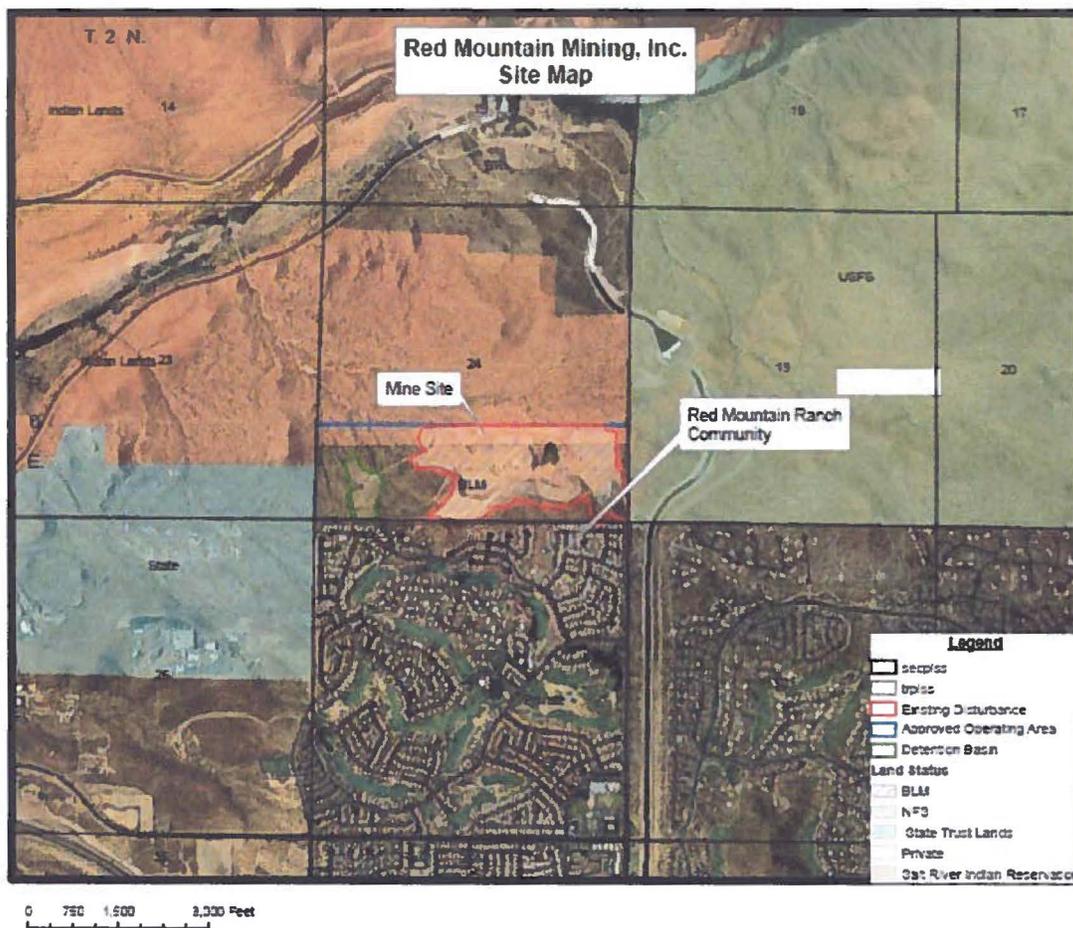
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DOI-BLM-AZ-P020-2015-0017-EA

Dear Interested Party:

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Lower Sonoran Field Office has prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA) to analyze the potential impacts of a renewed Mining Plan of Operations and Reclamation for Red Mountain Mining, Inc. (DOI-BLM-AZ-P020-2015-0017-EA) and is seeking your input regarding issues that have been analyzed in the EA.

A mineral material sale contract application has been submitted by Red Mountain Mining, Inc. of Mesa, AZ for the area directly north of the Red Mountain Ranch Community (see map below).



The reserves at the site are estimated to be approximately 3.7 million tons. The current application requests a new contract for the production and purchase of only 445,000 tons (200,000 yds<sup>3</sup> volume equivalent) of granite and associated materials, which includes decorative stone, boulders, gravel and fill, in order to continue operations at their existing facility. The analysis anticipates development of the full 3.7 million tons and future contracts may be issued using this EA.

The EA with project maps may be viewed or downloaded from the BLM Land Use Planning and NEPA Register Page under the following link:

[https://www.blm.gov/epl-front-office/eplanning/nepa/nepa\\_register.do](https://www.blm.gov/epl-front-office/eplanning/nepa/nepa_register.do)

Click on the "Text Search" tab above the map. To navigate to the project, scroll down and select "Arizona" from the "State(s)" list, which will populate the "Office(s)" list, then select "AZ – Lower Sonoran FO." Under "Document Type(s)," select "EA" and then click the "Search" button on the left side of the screen. This will take you to a list of projects; find and select this project (DOI-BLM-AZ-P020-2015-0017-EA) to display the project web site using the link on the left.

Please submit any comments you may have in writing by January 29, 2016 to the letterhead address above or by email to: Gloria Tibbetts at [gtibbetts@blm.gov](mailto:gtibbetts@blm.gov). Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment — including your personal identifying information — may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

If you have questions or wish to be removed from our mailing list for this project, please contact Gloria Tibbetts, Planning and Environmental Coordinator, at (623) 580-5656 or [gtibbetts@blm.gov](mailto:gtibbetts@blm.gov).

Sincerely,



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