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TO: Minerals File

FROM: Holland Shepherd, Reclamation Specialist HWS

RE: Field Inspection, C & R Minerals Placer, S/019/024, Grand County, Utah

Tony Gallegos and I visited the C & R Minerals site on June 12, 1990. Although the operation is active, the operator has not, as of this time, filed a Notice of Intent with the Division.

The operation is a placer, and apparently recently initiated. It is located on private ground in NW1/4 of Section 29, T22S, R24E. Apparently, the property has been deeded from Mr. Robert Barnes, a well known, local placer operator.

The mine is currently being operated by a group called C & R Minerals. We spoke to a Mr. Ken Cooper who apparently is heading the operation. His address is: P. O. Box 4, Mack, Colorado 81525.

I left a copy of a Small Mine Operators Notice of Intent with Mr. Cooper and promised to send him a copy of our regulations. I also informed him that the Bureau of Water Pollution Control (BWPC) would be interested in what he was doing at his site.

The site disturbs approximately 3 acres. It includes several sheds, earth moving equipment, camper-trailers, processing equipment, and two unfinished tailings ponds.

The ponds will be of interest to BWPC because of the potential groundwater impacts. They will contain tailings material from the processing of the shale material. According to Mr. Cooper, bromine will be used in the process and no other chemicals. Apparently, the pH of the material will be neutralized before disposal into the tailings pond.

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Several drums of acetate were stored on site; as to their use in the process, this is unknown.

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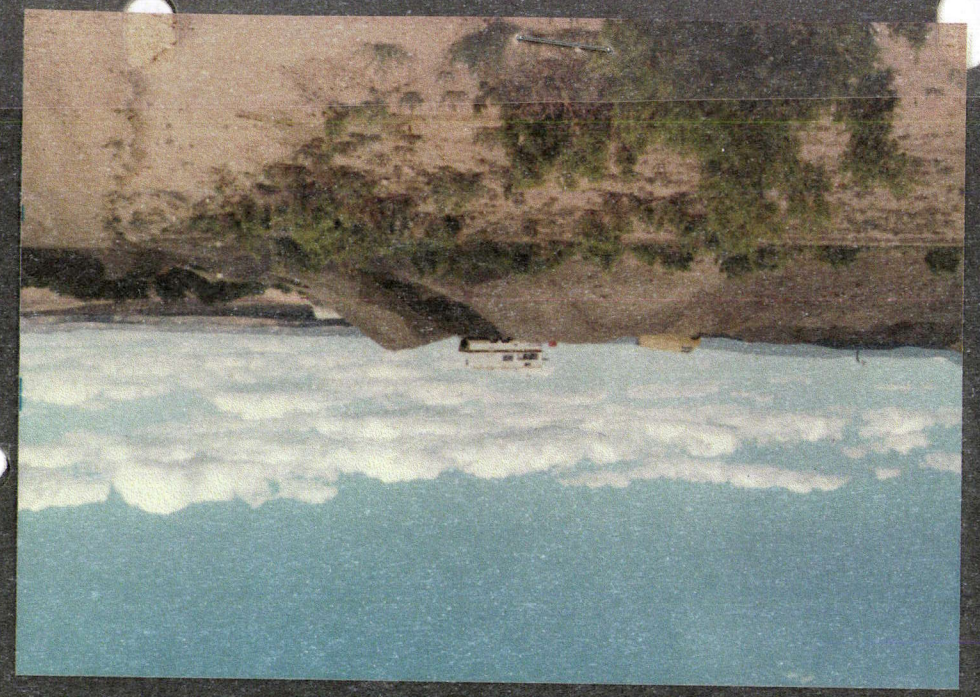

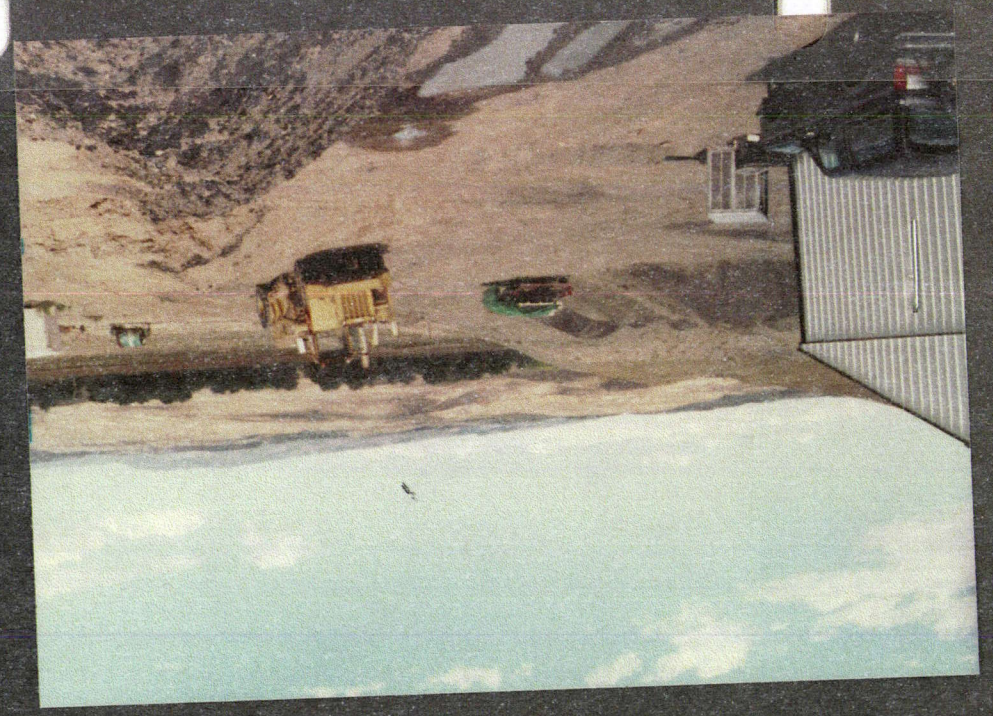

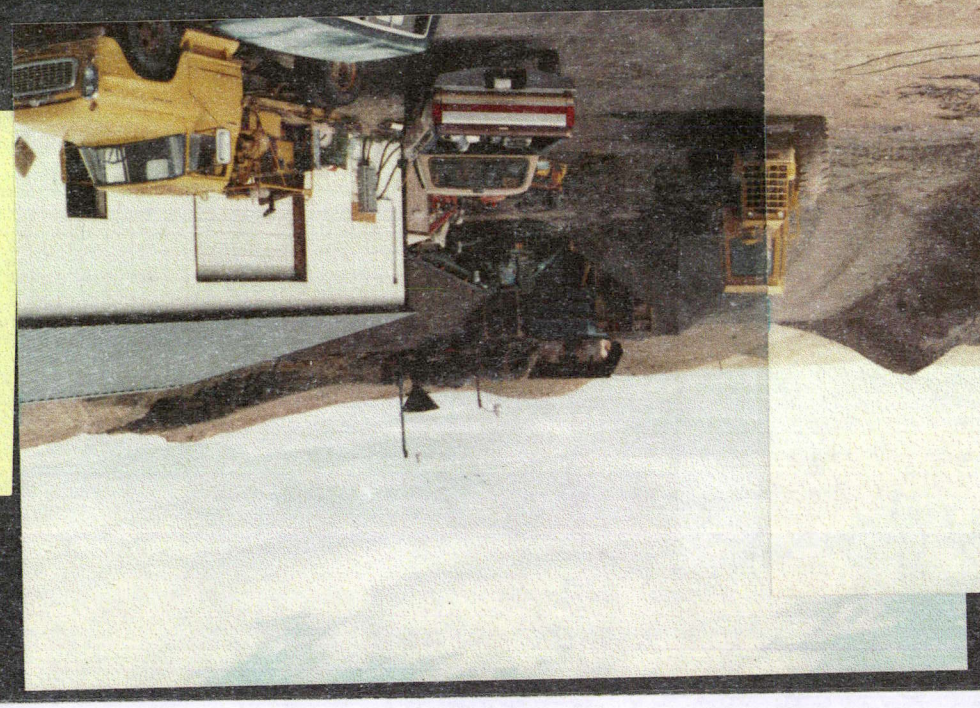

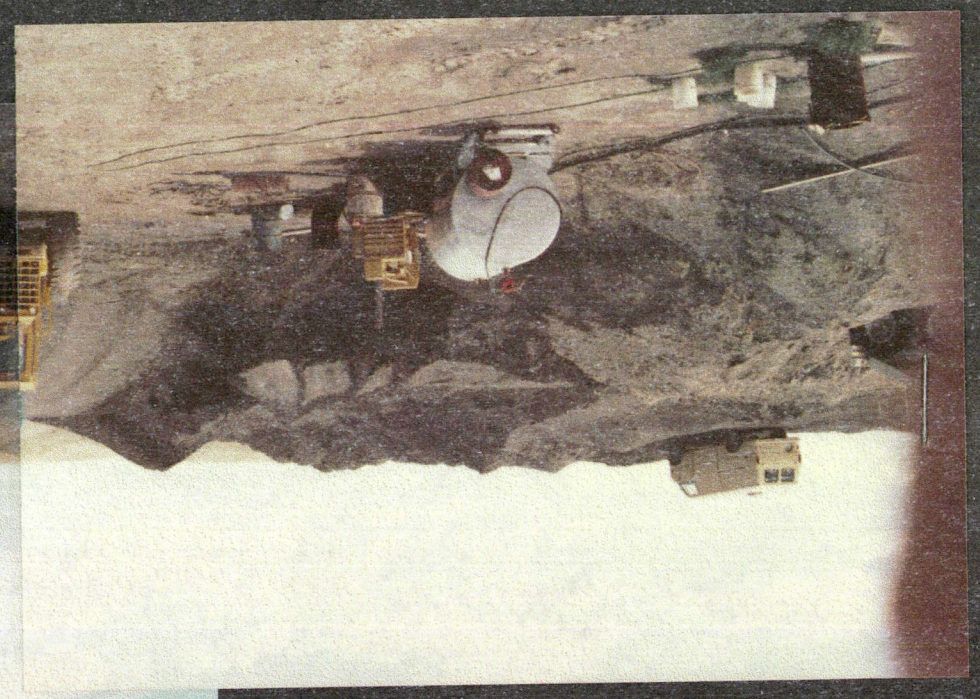
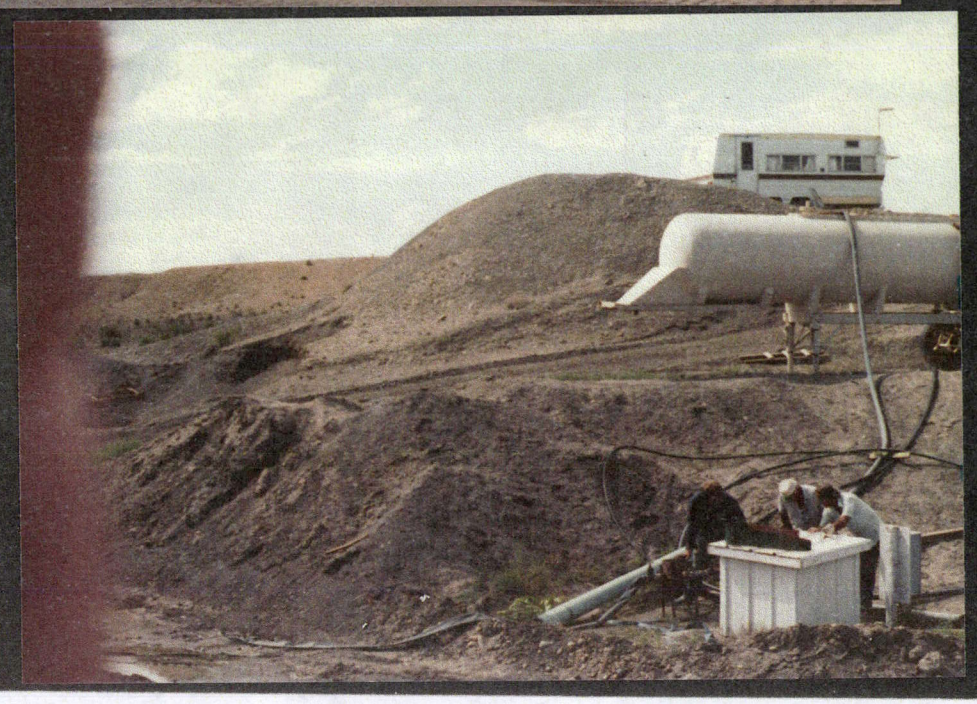
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