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PROGRAMMATIC AGREEMENT

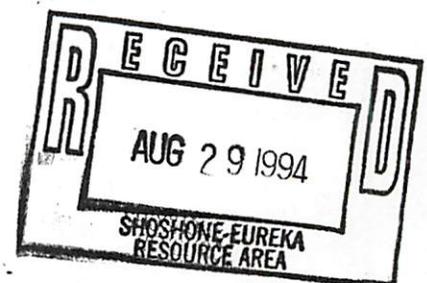
AMONG THE BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT, BATTLE MOUNTAIN DISTRICT,
NEVADA DIVISION OF HISTORIC PRESERVATION AND ARCHEOLOGY,
AND THE ADVISORY COUNCIL ON HISTORIC PRESERVATION REGARDING
THE TREATMENT OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES DURING MINERAL
EXPLORATION ACTIVITIES ON THE MCCOY/COVE MINE CLAIMBLOCK
BY ECHO BAY MINERALS COMPANY

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Land Management, Battle Mountain District, ("BLM") has determined that the exploration activities on the McCoy/Cove Mine Claimblock, conducted by Echo Bay Minerals Company ("EBMC"), and situated in Lander County, Nevada, may have an effect upon properties eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic places, and has consulted with the Nevada State Historic Preservation Officer ("SHPO") and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation ("COUNCIL") pursuant to Section 800.13 of the regulations (36 CFR § 800) implementing Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (16 U.S.C. 470(f)), and

WHEREAS, EBMC, the operator of the regional exploration program, participated in the consultation and has been invited to concur in this Programmatic Agreement, and WHEREAS, this Programmatic Agreement is intended to cover all aspects of Claimblock Exploration, and

WHEREAS, the definitions given in the Programmatic Agreement of August, 1990 among the Bureau of Land Management, Nevada State Office, Nevada Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology, and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation Regarding the Identification, Evaluation and Treatment of Historic Properties Throughout the State of Nevada on Lands managed by the Bureau of Land Management, Nevada State Office (BLM Statewide Agreement) are applicable throughout this Agreement;

NOW THEREFORE, the parties agree that exploration of the McCoy/Cove Mine Claimblock shall be administered in accordance with the following stipulations to satisfy the BLM's Section 106 responsibilities for all individual projects undertaken at the McCoy/Cove Mine Claimblock.



PURPOSE

EBMC proposes to explore for valuable ore deposits on the McCoy/Cove Mine Claimblock ("**Undertaking**") and to conduct mineral exploration activities which are multi-year in scope on public land. Cultural inventories have identified historic properties in the area of the undertaking which may be eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places (**NRHP**). Other historic properties have been identified in the area of the **Undertaking** that may be determined to be eligible after further evaluation.

The purpose of this Programmatic Agreement is to establish an understanding between the **BLM**, the **COUNCIL**, the **SHPO**, and **EBMC** as to how the consultation process under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act will be implemented with regard to the **Undertaking**. The Programmatic Agreement ("**Agreement**") defines general and specific measures that will be undertaken by all parties to ensure that the mutual objectives and individual requirements of the National Historic Preservation Act are fulfilled.

INTENT

Subject to the limitations found in the **BLM** Statewide Agreement and guidelines in Stipulation A.3 of this **Agreement**, historic properties will be treated in such a way that effects are avoided or mitigated to the extent practicable, regardless of surface ownership.

AREA DESCRIPTIONS

The area of the **Undertaking** shall be defined as the McCoy/Cove Mine Claimblock Exploration Cultural Resource Review Area (**MCMCECRRA**) as described in Appendix A.

Prior to conducting activities in the **MCMCECRRA** related to the proposed exploration on lands that have not been disturbed by the preexisting exploration areas or existing gold mining operations or within areas of known historic properties (regardless of ownership), **EBMC** shall submit to the **BLM** Plans of Operation or Amendments to existing Plans as appropriate for **BLM's** review under this agreement.

STIPULATIONS

The BLM shall ensure that the following stipulations are implemented:

A. Identification

1. Upon receipt of EBMC's proposed exploration Plan of Operations or any Amendments to existing Plans of Operations, BLM shall seek to identify interested persons pursuant to 36 CFR § 800.1(c)(2) and 36 CFR § 800.4(a)(1)(iii).
2. The BLM shall ensure that an appropriate cultural resource inventory of the area of potential effect (APE) of all activity areas or portions thereof, not previously inventoried, is completed, and that appropriate reports are prepared.
3. The BLM shall ensure that an inventory of the APE of any activity area or portions thereof, not previously inventoried, is completed in a timely manner consistent with the BLM Statewide Agreement and the BLM's *Cultural Resources Inventory General Guidelines (4th edition, January 1990)* or any subsequent edition issued by the BLM.
4. The BLM shall ensure that the inventory is conducted by EBMC in consultation with the BLM, and that an inventory report is submitted to the BLM by EBMC for the BLM's approval. The approved inventory report shall be submitted by the BLM to the SHPO, and interested persons as appropriate, for review and comment. The BLM shall consult with the SHPO to resolve the eligibility of identified cultural resources per 36 CFR § 800.4(c).
5. The BLM shall ensure that the level, intensity and methods of recording cultural resources conform to the standards identified in Stipulation A.3.

B. Resolving Eligibility

1. Information gathered by the inventory process may be inadequate to allow determination of a cultural resource's eligibility for the NRHP. In such case, the

BLM may, after obtaining **SHPO's** concurrence on an evaluation plan which may include subsurface testing, authorize the plan under the mandates of the Archeological Resources Protection Act (16 U.S.C. 470).

2. In developing a subsurface evaluation plan for **SHPO** concurrence, the **BLM** shall ensure that any testing is limited to defining the nature, density and distribution of materials in potential historic properties. Subsurface testing is intended to provide the minimum data necessary to make final evaluations of **NRHP** eligibility and to devise treatment options responsive to the information potential of the historic properties.
3. Documentation of inventory and evaluation results, including eligibility recommendations, shall be reviewed by the **BLM**. Upon approval, the **BLM** shall forward this documentation to the **SHPO** for review and comment per 36 CFR § 800.4 (C).
4. The **BLM**, in consultation with the **SHPO**, shall ensure that all cultural resources located within the **APE** of an activity area are evaluated for eligibility to the **NRHP** prior to the initiation of activities that may affect historic properties.
5. If the **SHPO** and the **BLM** disagree regarding the eligibility of properties for listing on the **NRHP**, the **BLM** shall seek a formal determination of eligibility from the Keeper of the National Register in accordance with 36 CFR § 800.4. The Keeper's determination will be considered final. **EBMC** will be kept informed of the progress in a timely manner.

C. Treatment

1. In developing treatment plans, the **BLM**, in consultation with **SHPO** and interested persons, shall determine the precise nature of effects that can be anticipated to the values of historic properties identified in the **APE** in accordance with 36 CFR § 800.5. The **BLM** shall ensure that **EBMC** seeks to avoid properties eligible for inclusion in the **NRHP** through design of project facilities, relocation of facilities, or by other means, to the extent practicable.

2. Recognizing that avoidance may not be feasible or prudent, the **BLM**, in consultation with **SHPO**, **EBMC**, and interested persons, shall ensure that **EBMC** develops an appropriate treatment plan designed to lessen or mitigate project-related effects to archaeological resources. For properties eligible under criteria A through D (**36 CFR § 60.4**), other forms of mitigation may be considered in the treatment plan in lieu of or in addition to data recovery (e.g. oral history, historic markers, exhibits, interpretive brochures or publications, etc.).
3. When archaeological data recovery is the preferred treatment option for an eligible property or properties, the **BLM** shall ensure that **EBMC** develops a plan for the recovery of archeological data based on an appropriate research design and that the plan is submitted to the **SHPO** and **COUNCIL** as stipulated in H.2., for a concurrent 30-day review and comment period. Such data recovery plans and historic or architectural documentation (for historic sites eligible under criterion d) shall be consistent with the Secretary of the Interior's *Standards and Guidelines for Archaeology and Historic Preservation* (**48 FR 44716-37**) and shall conform to the **BLM** Statewide Agreement and guidelines noted in Stipulation A.3.
4. If the **SHPO**, **COUNCIL**, or an interested person objects to all or part of the proposed treatment plan, the **BLM** shall attempt to resolve the objection pursuant to Stipulation J. Upon completion of the consultation process, the **BLM** shall ensure that the treatment plan and any modifications to it resulting from the negotiations are implemented.
 - 4 (a) The **BLM** shall ensure that any human remains and grave-related artifacts encountered during data recovery are treated with the respect due such evidence and according to federal law, and, to the extent not inconsistent with federal law, state laws, and local ordinances.
 - 4 (b) The **BLM** shall ensure that all records and materials resulting from identification and treatment efforts are curated in accordance with **36 CFR § 79** by a **BLM**-approved facility in Nevada, and that all materials to be returned to their owners will be maintained in

accordance with 36 CFR § 79 until the materials analysis is complete and the materials are returned.

- (1) Unless otherwise negotiated, all materials must be curated or returned to their owners when the final report is accepted by the BLM.
- (2) The BLM shall hold a surety bond from EBMC as specified in Stipulation I until curation is complete.

4(c) The BLM shall ensure that all final archeological reports resulting from actions pursuant to this Agreement will be provided to the SHPO and COUNCIL, and made available to other interested parties, and to the National Technical Information Service (NTIS). The BLM shall ensure that all such reports are responsive to contemporary professional standards, and to the Department of Interior's *Formal Standards for Final Reports of Data Recovery Program* (42 FR 5377-79).

Precise locational data may be provided only in a separate index if it appears that release of locational data could jeopardize historic properties.

A draft final report shall be due as stated in Stipulation H.2. unless otherwise negotiated.

D. Discovery Situations

1. Cultural resources, not previously identified, which are discovered while conducting exploration activities shall be subject to this Agreement. If such cultural resources are discovered, exploration related activities within 100 meters of the discovered resources will cease immediately and EBMC shall notify the BLM authorized officer.
2. The BLM shall notify the SHPO and COUNCIL and consider SHPO's initial comments on the discovery. The COUNCIL may offer comments within two days of notification if it chooses. Within two working days of notification to the SHPO and COUNCIL, the BLM shall notify EBMC, SHPO, and interested persons, as appropriate, of the BLM's decision whether to allow exploration related activities, to proceed or to seek mitigative measures

for the discovered cultural resources per 36 CFR § 800.11.

3. If, in consultation with the SHPO, the BLM determines that mitigation is appropriate, the BLM shall notify the COUNCIL of the proposed mitigative measures, and request comments from the SHPO and interested persons, as appropriate, on means of mitigating such properties. Any comments offered by the SHPO and interested persons will be documented and made available for public inspection. The SHPO and other interested persons as appropriate will provide the BLM with comments in two working days so that they can be considered and the BLM can make a decision regarding the nature and extent of mitigative efforts within seven working days of BLM's notification to EBMC of the need for mitigation. The BLM shall notify the SHPO, COUNCIL and interested persons of its decision and shall ensure that such mitigative actions are implemented.
4. In the event an objection arises from the SHPO or interested persons, regarding a discovery or the means by which it will be treated, the BLM shall attempt to resolve the objection in accordance with Stipulation J.
5. The BLM shall ensure that reports of mitigation efforts for discovery situations are completed in a timely manner and conform to the Department of Interior's Formal Standards for *Final Reports of Data Recovery Program* (42 FR 5377-79). Drafts of such reports shall be submitted to the SHPO for a 30-day review and comment as stipulated in H.2. Final reports shall be submitted to the SHPO, COUNCIL, and interested persons for informational purposes.
6. Exploration activity in the area of the discovery will be halted until EBMC is notified by the BLM Authorized Officer that mitigation is complete and activities can resume.

E. Other Considerations

1. The BLM shall ensure that all stipulations of this Agreement are carried out by the BLM, EBMC, and all of its contractors or other personnel. Non-conformance to the stipulations of the Agreement shall invoke the non-

compliance provisions of 43 CFR 3809 and may result in a letter of non-compliance or other litigative actions.

2. The BLM shall ensure that historic, architectural, and archeological work conducted pursuant to this Agreement is carried out by, or under the direct supervision of, persons meeting qualifications set forth in the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualification Standards (36 CFR § 61) and acceptable to the BLM to conduct an inventory and report the results to the BLM.
3. EBMC, in cooperation with the BLM and the SHPO, shall ensure that all its personnel, and all the personnel of its contractors, are directed not to engage in the illegal collection of historic and prehistoric materials. EBMC shall cooperate with the BLM to ensure compliance with the Archaeological Resources Protection Act of 1979 (16 U.S.C. 470).
4. EBMC shall bear the expense of identification, evaluation, and treatment of all historic properties directly or indirectly affected by EBMC-related activity to the extent that such properties are situated on land controlled by EBMC as shown in Appendix A. Such costs shall include, but not be limited to, pre-field planning, field work, post-fieldwork analysis, research and report preparation, interim and summary report preparation, and costs associated with the curation of project documentation and artifact collections.

F. Reports and Monitoring

1. The BLM, the SHPO, and the COUNCIL may monitor actions carried out pursuant to this Agreement, and the COUNCIL shall review such actions when so requested. The BLM shall submit a monitoring report for the SHPO and the COUNCIL at least every 12 months. This report will assist the SHPO and the COUNCIL in monitoring actions carried out under this Agreement and provide a basis for review. The reporting year shall conform to the federal fiscal year and the report will be submitted to the SHPO and the COUNCIL by June 1st of the year following the fiscal year under review.

G. Notices to Proceed

1. Notices to Proceed (NTP) may be issued by the BLM to EBMC under any of the following conditions:
 - (a) the APE has been inventoried and the BLM and the SHPO have determined that there are no historic properties within the APE;
 - (b) evaluation of potentially eligible sites has been conducted and the BLM and the SHPO have determined that the site(s) are not eligible; and
 - (c) a treatment option for historic properties affected by the activity has been approved by the BLM after consultation with the SHPO and interested persons.
2. If the treatment option selected for historic property requires fieldwork to be performed, the BLM may authorize EBMC to proceed with the specific exploration activities that would affect the historic property after:
 - (a) the fieldwork phase of the treatment option has been completed;
 - (b) the BLM has accepted a summary description of the fieldwork performed and a reporting schedule for that work; and
 - (c) EBMC has posted a surety acceptable to the BLM as stipulated in I. below for post-fieldwork costs of the treatment plan.

H. Time Frames

1. Inventory: The BLM shall review and comment on the results of any cultural resources inventory submitted by EBMC within the time frames indicated in the BLM's *Cultural Resources Inventory General Guidelines (4th edition, January 1990)* or any subsequent edition issued by the BLM.
2. Consultation: The BLM shall submit the results of all identification and evaluation efforts, including discovery situations, and treatment plans to the SHPO,

COUNCIL and interested persons for a 30-day concurrent review and comment period. If the **SHPO**, **COUNCIL**, or interested persons do not respond to the **BLM** within 30 days of receipt of a submittal, the **BLM** shall presume concurrence with the **BLM's** findings and recommendations as detailed in the submittal. The concurring party, **EBMC**, will be apprised by the **BLM** as to the status of these efforts.

3. Reports: A draft final report of all identification, evaluation, treatment or other mitigative activities will be due to the **BLM** within 9 months after the completion of the fieldwork associated with the activity, unless otherwise negotiated. The concurring party, **EBMC**, will be apprised by the **BLM** as to the status of the draft reviews.
4. Curation: All records, photographs, maps, field notes, artifacts, and other materials collected or developed for any identification, evaluation, or treatment activities will be curated in a facility approved by the **BLM** at the time the final report associated with that activity is accepted by the **BLM**, unless materials and artifacts must be returned to the owner.

I. Surety Bonds

1. **EBMC** will post a surety with the **BLM** in an amount sufficient to cover all post-fieldwork costs associated with implementing a treatment plan or other mitigative activities, as negotiated by **EBMC** where they contract for services in support of this **Agreement**. Such costs may include, but are not limited to post-field analysis, research and report preparation, interim and summary reports preparation, and the curation of project documentation and artifact collections in a **BLM** approved curation facility. The surety shall be posted prior to the **BLM** issuing a **NTP**.
2. The surety posted shall be subject to forfeiture if the post-fieldwork tasks are not completed within the time period established by the treatment option selected; provided, however, that the **BLM** and **EBMC** may agree to extend any such time periods. The **BLM** shall notify **EBMC** that the surety is subject to forfeiture and shall allow **EBMC** 15 days to respond before action is taken to forfeit the surety.

3. The surety shall be released, in whole or in part, as specific post-fieldwork tasks are completed and accepted by the **BLM**.

J. Dispute Resolution

1. If the **SHPO** issues an objection regarding a matter submitted by the **BLM** for review, the **BLM** shall consult with the **SHPO** to resolve the objection. If then, either party determines that the objection cannot be resolved, the **BLM** shall request the comments of the **COUNCIL**. The **COUNCIL** shall provide its comments, if any, within 30 days after receipt of the request from the **BLM**. Any **COUNCIL** comment provided in response to such a request will be taken into account by the **BLM** and the **BLM** will notify the **COUNCIL** and **SHPO** of its decision. The **BLM's** responsibility to carry out all actions under this **Agreement** that are not the subject of the dispute will remain unchanged.
2. If an objection is raised by a representative of local government, or a member of the public, the **BLM** shall take the objection into account and consult, as needed, with the objecting party and the **SHPO** in an attempt to resolve the objection. If the **BLM** determines that the objection cannot be resolved, it shall request the comments of the **COUNCIL**. The **COUNCIL** shall provide its comments, if any, within 30 days after receipt of the request from the **BLM**. Any **COUNCIL** comment provided in response to such a request will be taken into account by the **BLM** and the **BLM** will notify the **COUNCIL**, **SHPO** and objecting party of its decision. The **BLM's** responsibility to carry out all actions under this **Agreement** that are not the subject of the dispute will remain unchanged.

K. Amendment

1. Any party to this **Agreement** may request that this **Agreement** be amended, whereupon the parties will consult in accordance with 36 CFR § 800.13 to consider such amendment.

L. Termination

1. Any party to this **Agreement** may terminate the **Agreement** by providing thirty (30) days notice to the other

parties, provided that the parties will consult during the period prior to termination to seek agreement on amendments or other actions that would avoid termination. In the event of a termination, the BLM will comply with 36 CFR § 800.4 through 800.6 with regard to individual actions covered by the Agreement.

M. Execution

1. Execution and implementation of this Agreement evidences that the BLM has afforded the COUNCIL a reasonable opportunity to comment on the Undertaking and its effects on historic properties and that the BLM has satisfied its Section 106 responsibilities for all individual actions associated with the exploration of the McCoy/Cove Mine Claimblock.
2. In the event that the BLM does not carry out the requirements of this Agreement, the BLM shall comply with 36 CFR § 800.4 through 800.6 with regard to individual actions covered by this agreement.
3. The Agreement shall become effective on the date of the last signature below, and shall remain effective, unless earlier terminated as provided in Stipulation L, until the later of a date of 20 years from the effective date or until the development of the McCoy/Cove Mine, including all exploration, mining, and reclamation, is complete.

CONSULTING PARTIES:

ADVISORY COUNCIL ON HISTORIC PRESERVATION

By: _____ Date: _____

Title: Executive Director

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

By: Michael Mitchell Date: September 8, 1994

Title: Battle Mountain District Manager, *Acting*

NEVADA STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER

By: Alan M. Baldwin Date: 12/2/94

Title: *deputy* State Historic Preservation Officer

CONCURRING PARTY:

ECHO BAY MINERALS COMPANY - McCOY/COVE MINE

By: Eric L. Daniels Date: 29th August 1994

Title: Manager - Environmental and Regulatory Affairs

APPENDIX A

McCoy/Cove Mine Claimblock Exploration Cultural Resource Review Area

The McCoy/Cove Mine Claimblock Exploration Cultural Resource Review Area (**MCMCECRRRA**) shall consist of all property within the boundaries depicted on the attached Figure 1 and any other property in which **EBMC** acquires ownership or control for use in development of the McCoy/Cove Mine Claimblock. The parties agree that Figure 1 shall be amended from time to time as may be necessary to include any additional property acquired by **EBMC** for use in the development of the McCoy/Cove Mine Claimblock.

The parties acknowledge that the property controlled by **EBMC** is comprised of public land administered by the BLM on which **EBMC** controls for use in development of the McCoy/Cove Mine Claimblock. The current property controlled by **EBMC** consists primarily of contiguous unpatented mining and millsite claims which comprise the McCoy Mining District.

APPENDIX B

SEQUENTIAL PLANNING

The Area of Potential Effect (**APE**) encompasses identified historic properties, not all of which need to be dealt with immediately upon the initiation of a specific mineral exploration project. Therefore, for those identified historic properties, a general schedule of events for evaluating and treating those properties is outlined. Timing of appropriate evaluation and treatment of historic properties will occur in advance of proposed development activities and future exploration activities as described in the **BLM**-approved **EBMC** Plan of Operations (**POO**).

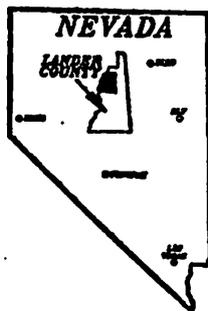
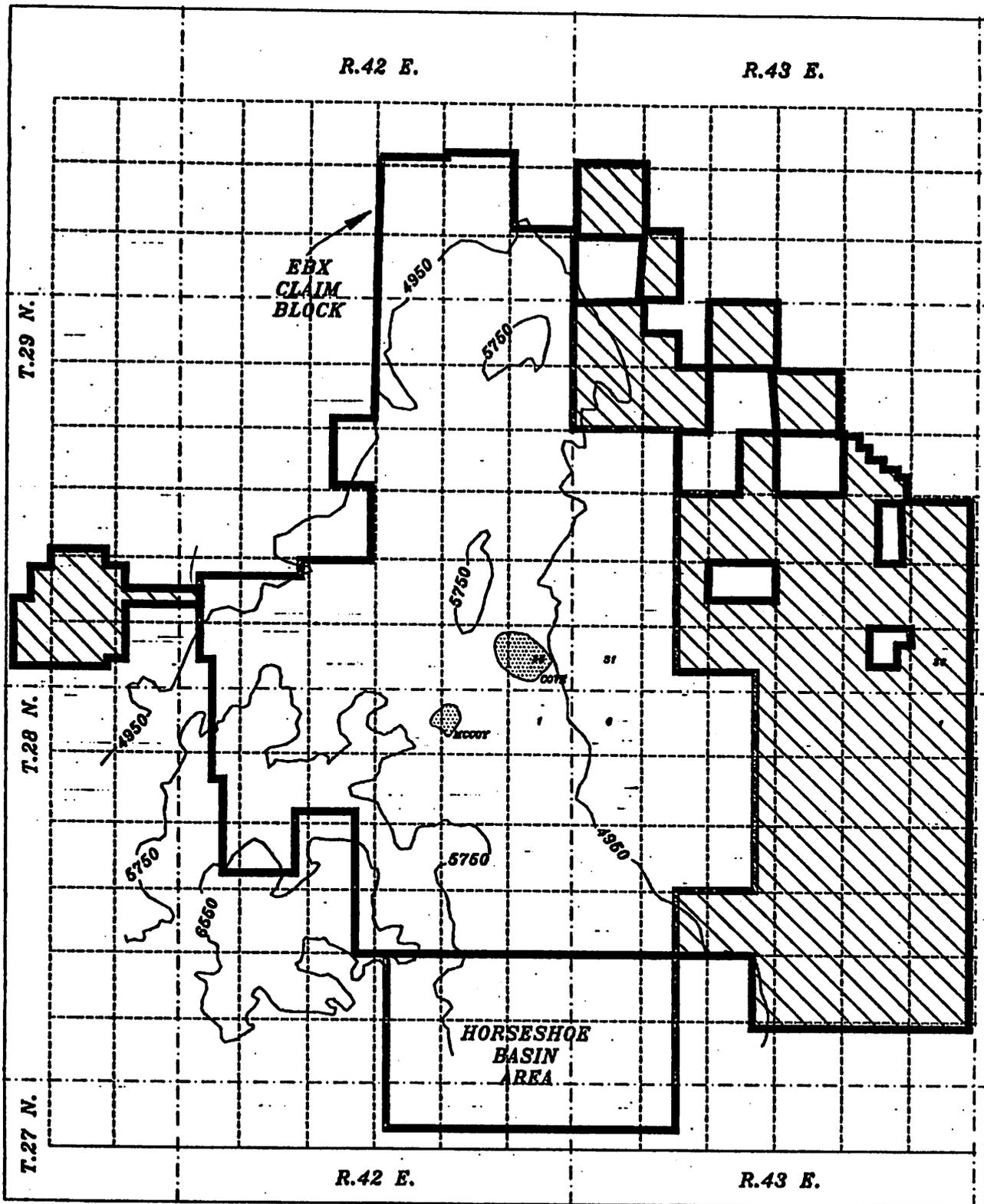
For **EBMC**, **POO** development and exploration activities occurring on lands within the **MCMCECRRRA** that have been previously inventoried:

1. **EBMC** shall notify the **BLM** prior to initiating activities which may affect a property or properties determined eligible for the **NRHP**. Potential effects to properties will be determined by the **BLM**.
2. Upon receipt of a notification regarding potentially eligible properties, the **BLM** will require that an evaluation program, which may include subsurface testing, be approved by the **BLM** and implemented by **EBMC**, and that a report, assessing eligibility be prepared, and eligibility recommendations present in the regulations shall be reviewed by the **BLM**, in consultation with the **SHPO** to determine eligibility.
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3. Upon receipt of a notification regarding properties that have already been determined to be eligible, the **BLM** will, in consultation with the **SHPO**, interested persons, and **EBMC**, select a treatment option.
4. Where fieldwork is required by the treatment plan, the **BLM** may issue **EBMC** a Notice to Proceed (**NTP**) with mining operations in the activity area after:
 - (a) the fieldwork phase of the treatment plan has been completed;
 - (b) a summary of the fieldwork has been accepted by the **BLM**; and,

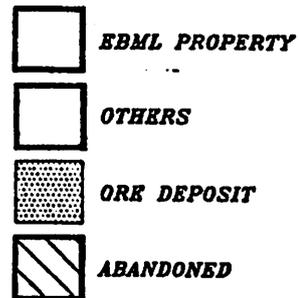
- (c) EBMC has provided a surety for post-fieldwork costs acceptable by the BLM as stipulated in Section I.

For EBMC, POO exploration activities proposed to occur on lands within the MCMCECRRRA that have not been previously inventoried:

5. EBMC shall retain a qualified archaeologist, historian, or architectural historian meeting the Secretary of the Interior's *Professional Qualification Standards* (36 CFR § 61) and acceptable to the BLM to conduct an inventory and report the results to the BLM.
6. The BLM, in consultation with the SHPO, shall review the inventory report for the APE of an activity area and shall determine if it contains cultural resources eligible for inclusion on the NRHP per 36 CFR § 800.4.
7. If no cultural resources are identified, the BLM may authorize EBMC to proceed in the APE of the activity area and notify SHPO and any interested persons of BLM's decision to authorize the activity per 36 CFR § 800.4 (d).
8. If, after consultation with the SHPO, the cultural resources in the APE of an activity area are determined not eligible for inclusion in the NRHP, the BLM may authorize EBMC to proceed in the APE of that activity area per 36 CFR § 800.4 (d).
9. For any historic properties identified in the APE of the activity area that are determined to be eligible to the NRHP, the procedures outlined in 1 through 4 above will be followed.



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 CLAIM BLOCK MAP
 FIGURE #1





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Dear Ms. Baldrice:

Enclosed for your files is the signature page for the Echo Bay McCoy/Cove minerals exploration Programmatic Agreement (PA) (BLM6-1752). Also enclosed is the cover letter from the Advisory Council (Council) which accompanied the signature page. As you will note the Council has expressed some minor misgivings concerning the content of the PA. These concerns were originally expressed by Carol Gleichman of the Council during a telephone conversation with Gary Foulkes of this office. At that time it was requested of Ms. Gleichman that the recommended changes be forwarded to this office along with the signed PA. To date this has not been done. The Council comments were sent to Pat Barker at the Nevada State Office of the Bureau of Land Management. He subsequently agreed to contact the Council on the matter to determine what action needs to be taken to resolve the issue. You will be consulted prior to any changes being made in the current PA format.

You may address comments and/or questions to Gary Foulkes, Shoshone-Eureka Resource Area Archaeologist at (702) 635-4000.

Sincerely,

Michael C. Mitchel
Acting District Manager

- 2 Enclosures
1. Signature page
2. Cover letter

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