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CERTIFIED MAIL--RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

DECISIONVerdeen L. Lexa
Route 1, Box 100
White Salmon, WA 98672Petition for Deferment of
Annual Assessment Work on
two claims in Skamania Co.Deferment of Annual Assessment Work Granted

Verdeen L. Lexa has filed a petition for deferment of assessment work covering two mining claims situated in Sec. 33, T. 10 N., R. 6 E., Will. Mer., Washington, in the Gifford Pinchot National Forest. These claims are within the Mt. St. Helens hazard area. Having complied with the regulations, 43 CFR 3852.2, Verdeen L. Lexa is granted a deferment from the performance of assessment work for the assessment year ending September 1, 1980. The claims involved are identified as follows:

<u>Name of Claim</u>	<u>Date Located</u>	<u>Book & Page</u>
Commonwealth Mine #1	September 2, 1977	M 706
Commonwealth Mine #2	September 2, 1977	M 707

(Records of Skamania County)

Access to the claims is prevented by an Executive Order of the Governor of the State of Washington, and by closure by the U. S. Forest Service. All roads leading to the claims are blocked or barricaded by county officers and/or Forest Service personnel for safety reasons.

This deferment shall be for a period of one year, beginning at noon on September 1, 1980, and ending at noon on September 1, 1981, subject to the following conditions:

1. The deferment granted shall be renewable upon request for a further period of one year, if justifiable conditions continue to exist.
2. This deferment shall terminate automatically as of the date conditions preventing the performance of assessment work are removed.
3. The deferred assessment work may be performed at any time after termination of the deferment, or renewal thereof, but must be completed not later than the end of the first assessment year.

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commencing after the termination of the deferment, and shall be in addition to the annual assessment work required by law for such latter year.

4. This deferment must not be construed as a determination either that a valid discovery has been made or, if made, continues to subsist on any of the claims involved, or that the required annual assessment work has been performed as required by law for any assessment year ending prior to the date of application for temporary deferment.

In accordance with regulation 43 CFR 3852.3, Verdeen L. Lexa must file or record in the office of Skamania County, Washington, in which he filed or recorded his notice of petition, the notarized copy of this decision disposing of the petition. Evidence of the recordation of this decision must be submitted to the Bureau of Land Management (see address above) within thirty days from the date this decision is received.

Chief, Branch of Lands
and Minerals Operations

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Sworn to and subscribed to before me this 16th day of September, 1980.

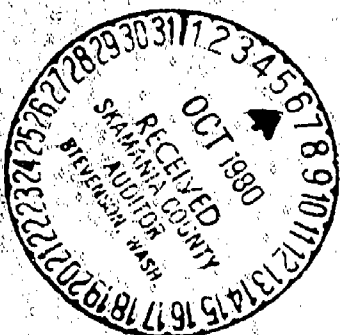
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COUNTY OF SKAMANIA

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