

Excerpts from the mining laws of the United States, 30 U. S. Code Annotated

Sec. 23—"A mining claim . . . may equal but shall not exceed 1500 feet in length along the vein or lode; but no location of a claim shall be made until the discovery of the vein or lode within the limits of the claim located. No claim shall extend more than 300 feet on each side of the middle of the vein at the surface . . . The end lines of each claim shall be parallel to each other."

Sec. 28—" . . . All records of mining claims . . . shall contain the name or names of the locators, the date of the location, and such a

description of the claim or claims located by reference to some natural object or permanent monument as will identify the claim."

Sec. 35—"Placer claims, including all forms of deposit excepting veins and lodes or other rock in place shall be subject to entry and possession . . . upon similar proceedings as are provided for vein and lode claims. . . . no such location shall include more than twenty acres for each individual claimant."

Excerpts from Chapter 517, Oregon Revised Statutes Re: Location—Placer Claims

(Placer Deposits)

517.042. "Legal subdivision" defined for ORS 517.042 to 517.052. As used in ORS 517.042 to 517.052, unless the context requires otherwise, "legal subdivision" means a subdivision of a state survey or of a United States survey which has been extended over the geographic area to be described.

517.044. Location of claims upon placer deposits; posting notice. Any individual, a citizen of the United States, or one who has declared his intention to become such, who discovers a placer deposit of minerals upon the unappropriated public domain of the United States within this state, which minerals are subject to location under the mineral and mining laws of the United States, may locate a placer claim thereon by posting in a conspicuous place thereon a notice of such discovery and location. The notice shall contain:

- (1) The name of the claim.
- (2) The name of the individual or individuals locating the claim.
- (3) The date of the location of the claim.
- (4) The number of feet or acres claimed, together with a description, either by legal subdivisions, if practicable, or if not, then by reference to some natural object or permanent monument in the vicinity of the claim, which will identify the claim located.

517.046. Marking boundaries of claim or locating by legal subdivisions. (1) Unless the claim for placer deposit referred to in ORS 517.044 is located by legal subdivisions, the surface boundaries of the claim must be marked so that the same may be readily traced. Such boundaries shall be marked within 30 days after the posting of the notice described in ORS 517.044 by substantial posts or other monuments of the same size, materials and dimensions as in the case of quartz claims. The boundaries of the claim shall be marked at each corner or angle, and, when any side or end of the claim extends for more than 1,320 feet without a corner or angle, then at intervals of not less than 1,320 feet along such side or end.

- (2) Where the claim for placer deposit referred to in ORS 517.044

is taken by legal subdivisions, no other reference in the notice of claim required to be posted and filed under the provisions of ORS 517.042 to 517.052 than to the legal subdivisions shall be required and the boundaries of a claim so located and described need not be staked or monumented. The description by legal subdivisions in the notice required to be filed under ORS 517.052 shall be deemed the equivalent of marking the surface boundaries of the claim.

517.052. Recording copy of location notice; fee. The individual locating a placer deposit shall, within 60 days from the posting of the location notice upon the claim, file for record with the recorder of conveyances, if there is one, otherwise with the clerk of the county where the claim is situated, a copy of the notice posted by him upon the claim. The fee for filing such location notice shall be the same as required by ORS 517.030 for recording location notices of mineral-bearing rock claims (\$1.00). The recorder or clerk, as the case may be, shall immediately record the location notice in a book kept by him for that purpose.

517.060. Correcting defective notice of location. If at any time an individual who has located a mining claim within the meaning of ORS 517.010 or 517.044, or his assigns, apprehends that the original notice of location of the mining claim was defective, erroneous, or that the requirements of the law had not been complied with before the filing of the notice, such locator or assigns may post and file for record in the manner now provided by law, an amended notice of the location which shall relate back to the date of the original location; provided, that the posting and filing of the amended notice of location shall not interfere with the existing rights of others at the time of posting the amended notice.

\* Oregon Revised Statutes 517.010(2) provides that the boundaries of vein or lode claims shall be marked by six substantial posts, projecting not less than three feet above the surface of the ground, and not less than four inches square or in diameter, or by substantial mounds of stone, or earth and stone, at least two feet in height, to wit: one such post or mound of rock at each corner and at the center ends of such claims.



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Mining Location  
PLACER  
(FORM No. 897)

COUGER ROCK PLACER  
Name of Claim.

CLAIM

Locators

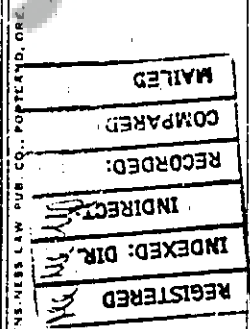
STATE OF OREGON; WASH.

County of SKAMARIA

I certify that the within instrument was received for record on the 2 day of April, 1975, at 11:45 o'clock A.M., and recorded in book L on page 78968, or as file number 78968. Record of of said County.

Witness my hand and seal of County affixed.

By *[Signature]* Notary Public  
Deputy.



STATE OF ~~OREGON~~ *Washington*  
County of *Skamaria*

I, *[Signature]*, and *[Signature]*,  
# *Ray F. Jones*, and

I, *[Signature]*, and I, *[Signature]*, being first duly sworn, depose and say: I am a citizen of the United States or have declared my intention to become such; I am the locator of the placer claim described on the reverse hereof; that within sixty days after the date of the posting on said placer claim of the notice of location set forth on the reverse hereof, I caused to be excavated an open cut upon said claim, removing from the cut not less than five cubic yards of material and, if practicable, exposing thereby the placer deposit described by such location notice; I personally excavated or caused to be excavated the material from said cut as stated above and have knowledge of the facts relating thereto.

Subscribed and sworn before me this *2nd* day of *April*, 1975.  
(SEAL) *[Signature]* Notary Public for Oregon *Washington*  
*Stevenson*  
\* Strike if not required.