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D E C I S I O N

Verdeen L. Lexa : Petition for Deferment of
Route 1, Box 100 : Annual Assessment Work on
White Salmon, WA 98672 : 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.