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## DECISION

Petition for Deferment JUCSON OFFICE

Duval Corporation : Petition for Deferment 4715 E. Fort Lowell Road : of Assessment Work on Tucson. Arizona 85712 : 235 Mining Claims in 1

: 235 Mining Claims in Lewis and Skamania Counties, Wash.

## Deferment of Annual Assessment Work Granted

On July 7, 1980, the subject petition for deferment was filed. As it was not accompanied with a copy showing recordation in the respective counties, it was considered filed in this office September 2, 1980, when the required showings were furnished in duplicate.

The petition was recorded June 9, 1980 in Lewis County as Document # 877408, in Volume 209, at pages 685 through 687. The four claims involved are listed on page 686 of said Vol. 209.

The copy of the petition for Skamania County was recorded June 9, 1980, as Document # 90858 in Book N, at pages 474 through 478.

The 231 claims in Skamania County are listed at pages 474 through 476 of said Book N.

The claims are listed on the attached Exhibit A (Lewis County) and Exhibit A (Skamania County). Dates of location are shown on Exhibit "C" (Lewis County) and "C" (Skamania County).

The deferment was requested because of the closing of the area in the vicinity of active volcano Mount St. Helens. All of these claims are within the "Red Zone" area, access to which has been denied by the U.S. Forest Service (and the State of Washington).

Having complied with the regulations in 43 CFR 3852.2, Duval Corporation is granted a deferment from the performance of assessment work for the assessment year ending September 1, 1980. This deferment shall be for a period of one year, beginning September 1, 1980 and ending August 30, 1981, and is subject to the following conditions: