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STATE CLEARINGHOUSE

# NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Kern County Planning Commission will hold a hearing on **Thursday, January 28, 2021, at 7:00 p.m.** (or as soon as possible thereafter as the matter may be heard) to consider the request listed below. Anyone wishing to give pertinent testimony may appear and be heard. Location of the hearing is:

Chambers of the Board of Supervisors

First Floor - Kern County Administrative Center

1115 Truxtun Avenue (corner of Truxtun and "N"), Bakersfield, California

Free parking is available in the parking structure located south of the Administrative Center. If parking fees are being charged for an event, inform the parking attendant you are attending the Planning Commission hearing, and you will not be charged.

**Due to COVID-19 and subsequent local emergency declarations by the Kern County Board of Supervisors, Staff is evaluating the possibility of facilitating an alternative form of public participation during this hearing. For updates regarding how public participation will be conducted during this hearing, please contact the project planner listed on this notice and continue to review the Kern County Planning Commission Agenda which will be released for public review the week prior to the scheduled hearing.**

**On Friday January 22, 2021, a copy of the agenda will be posted on the Kern County Planning Department website at the following location: <https://kernplanning.com/hearings/planning-commission/>**

- Applicant:** Johe Ranch Mining Project; Diatom, LLC by WZI, Inc. (PP12316)
- Location:** North and south sides of State Route 58, approximately 8.5 miles west of the unincorporated community of McKittrick; Supervisorial District 4 - Couch
- Proposal:** **A Conditional Use Permit to allow surface mining operations and development of a reclamation plan on 93.67 acres of an approximately 331-acre project site in accordance with the Surface Mining and Reclamation Act (SMARA) of 1975 (Section 19.12.030.G) in an A (Exclusive Agriculture) District.** The application and an Environmental Impact Report (Johe Ranch Mining Project) are on file in the Office of the Kern County Planning and Natural Resources Department and are available for public review.

If you have comments about this proposal you are encouraged to send them in writing. We encourage the submittal of written comments by January 5, 2021, so that those comments may be considered when Staff formulates its recommendation; however, written comments may be submitted anytime prior to, or at, the public hearing. Correspondence should be sent to:

Kern County Planning and Natural Resources Department  
2700 "M" Street, Suite 100  
Bakersfield, CA 93301

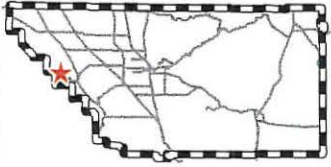
Please make reference to the file number: **CUP #17, Map #117**

**If you have questions regarding this project, telephone the Kern County Planning and Natural Resources Department and speak to:**

***Randall P. Cates, Planner 3 ((661) 862-8612)***

If you challenge the action taken on this request in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at this public hearing, or in written correspondence delivered to the Planning and Natural Resources Department at, or prior to, the public hearing.

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# CUP 17, Map No. 117

## Vicinity Map

Johe Ranch Mining Project  
by: Diatom, LLC

- Site
- STATE HWY
- Arterials
- Kern County Boundary
- Township/Range
- Sections
- Water Courses
- Unincorporated Cities

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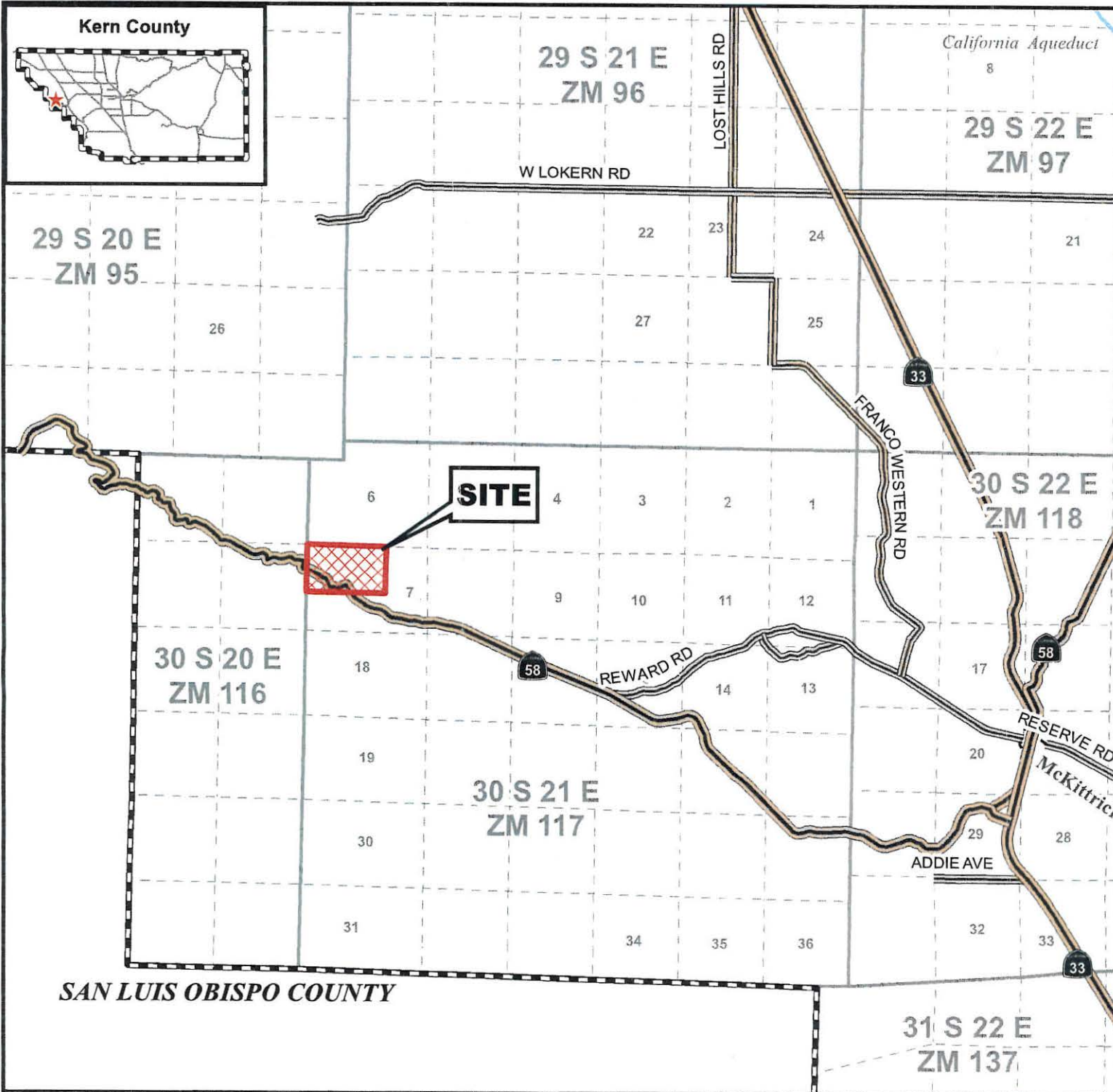
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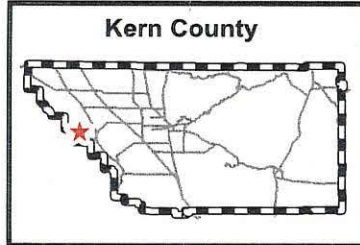
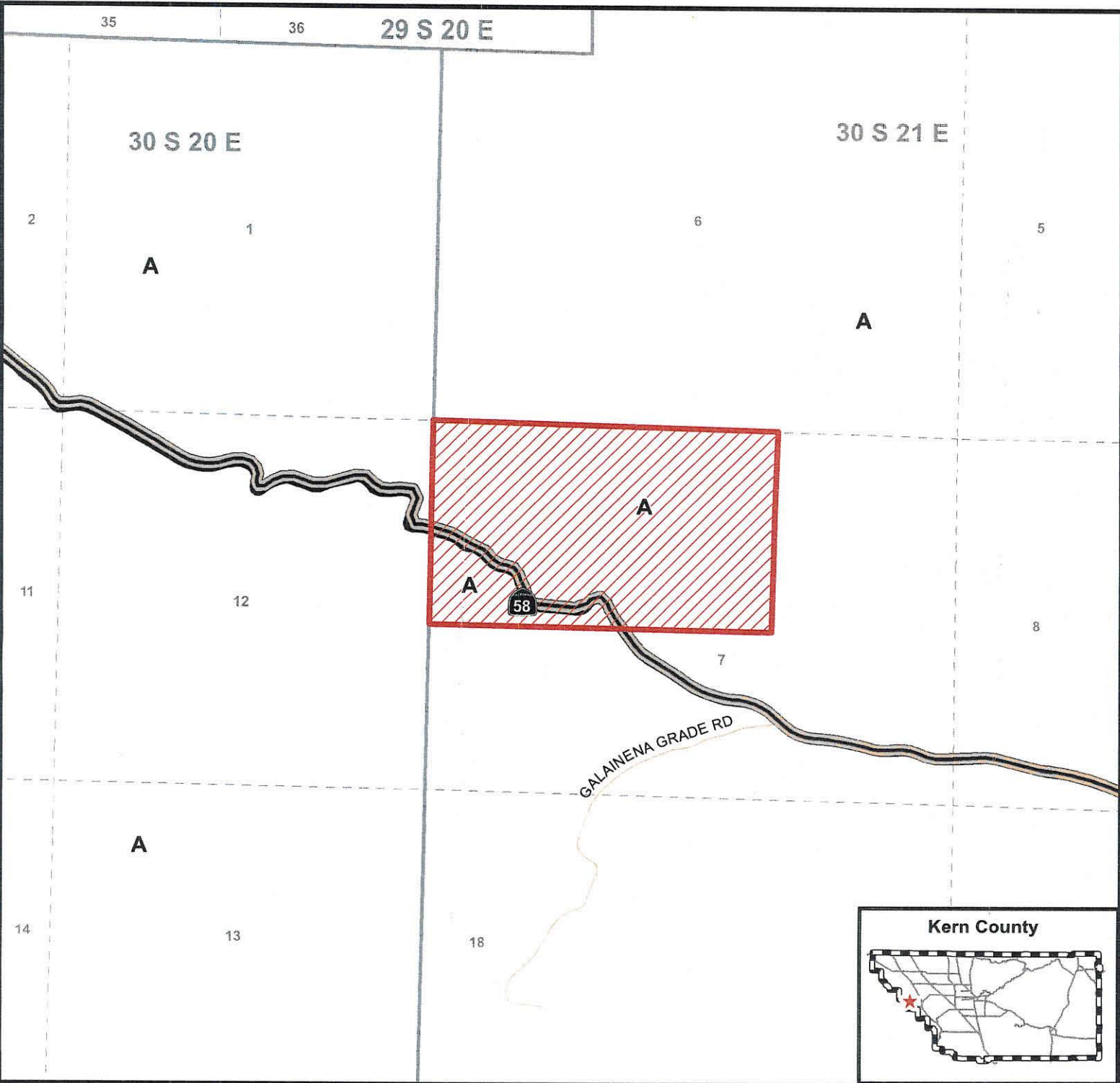
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## Existing Zoning Map

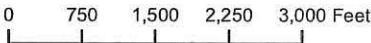
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-  Site
-  STATE HWY
-  Dirt Roads
- KERN COUNTY ZONING DESIGNATIONS**
-  A - Exclusive Agriculture
-  Township/Range
-  Sections



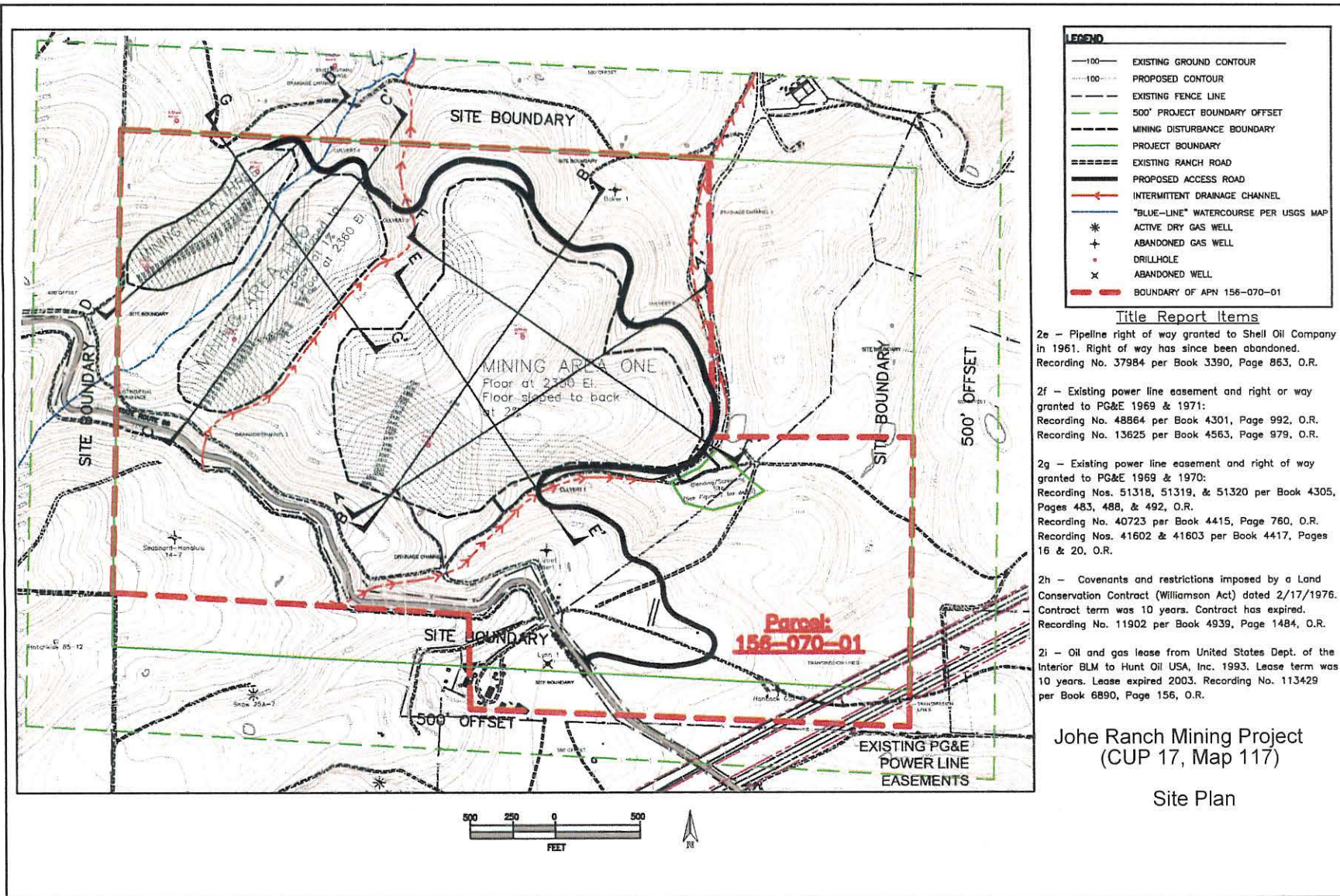
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**LEGEND**

—100—	EXISTING GROUND CONTOUR
.....100.....	PROPOSED CONTOUR
- - - - -	EXISTING FENCE LINE
- - - - -	500' PROJECT BOUNDARY OFFSET
- - - - -	MINING DISTURBANCE BOUNDARY
- - - - -	PROJECT BOUNDARY
- - - - -	EXISTING RANCH ROAD
- - - - -	PROPOSED ACCESS ROAD
→	INTERMITTENT DRAINAGE CHANNEL
—	"BLUE-LINE" WATERCOURSE PER USGS MAP
*	ACTIVE DRY GAS WELL
+	ABANDONED GAS WELL
.	DRILLHOLE
x	ABANDONED WELL
- - - - -	BOUNDARY OF APN 156-070-01

**Title Report Items**

2e - Pipeline right of way granted to Shell Oil Company in 1961. Right of way has since been abandoned. Recording No. 37984 per Book 3390, Page 863, O.R.

2f - Existing power line easement and right of way granted to PG&E 1969 & 1971: Recording No. 48864 per Book 4301, Page 992, O.R. Recording No. 13625 per Book 4563, Page 979, O.R.

2g - Existing power line easement and right of way granted to PG&E 1969 & 1970: Recording Nos. 51318, 51319, & 51320 per Book 4305, Pages 483, 488, & 492, O.R. Recording No. 40723 per Book 4415, Page 760, O.R. Recording Nos. 41602 & 41603 per Book 4417, Pages 16 & 20, O.R.

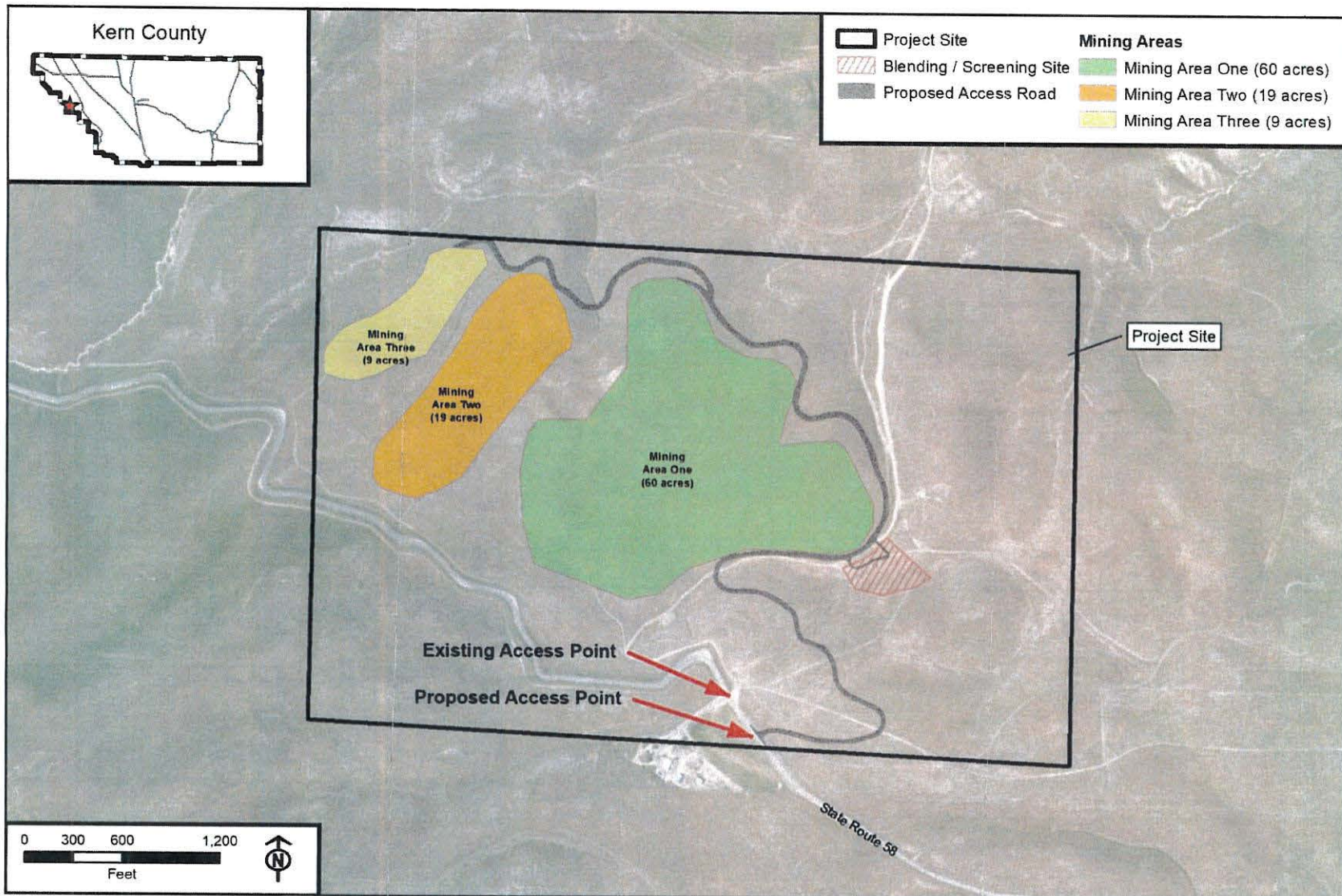
2h - Covenants and restrictions imposed by a Land Conservation Contract (Williamson Act) dated 2/17/1976. Contract term was 10 years. Contract has expired. Recording No. 11902 per Book 4939, Page 1484, O.R.

2i - Oil and gas lease from United States Dept. of the Interior BLM to Hunt Oil USA, Inc. 1993. Lease term was 10 years. Lease expired 2003. Recording No. 113429 per Book 6890, Page 156, O.R.

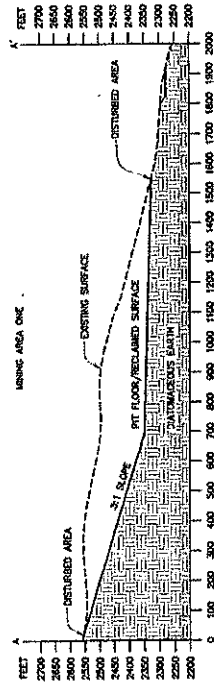
**Johe Ranch Mining Project  
(CUP 17, Map 117)**

**Site Plan**

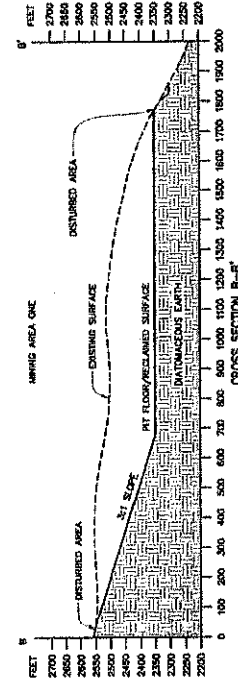
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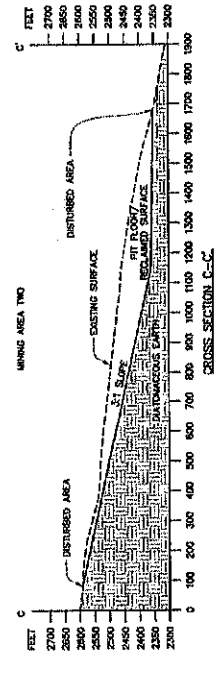
Mine Areas Map



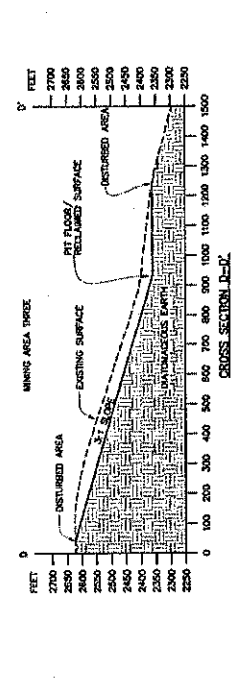
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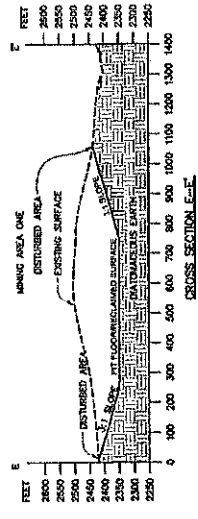
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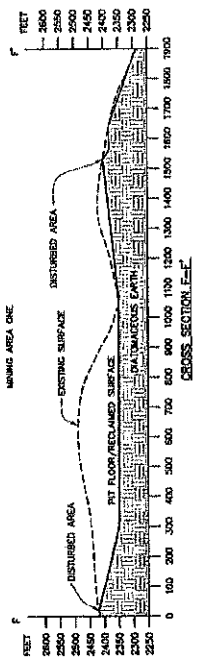
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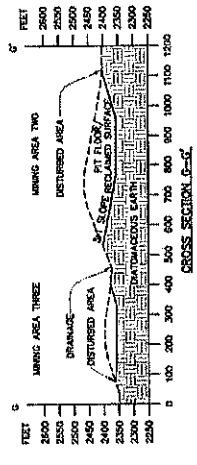
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# Johe Ranch Mining Project (CUP 17, Map 117) Site Plan Cross Sections

