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FORESTRY AND BLM NEEDS TO RELAX THE CODES EVEN MORE THAN THEY ARE NOW. PEOPLE ARE OUT THERE EVERY DAY TRYING TO MAKE A LIVING BY PROSPECTING. THEY ARE ALSO SEEKING THE MINERALS THAT THIS COUNTRY NEEDS SHOULD IT GO TO WAR AGAIN. RIGHT NOW THE U.S. ONLY HAS A 30 STOCKPILE OF THE MINERALS REQUIRED, THE REST WE HAVE TO GET FROM COUNTRIES THAT REALLY DO NOT LIKE THE U.S.

FURTHERMORE, IT IS FELT THAT THE L.E.O.s OF BOTH THE U.S.F.S AND B.L.M ARE VIOLATING THE PROSPECTORS AND MINERS CIVIL RIGHTS. AFTER ALL, THE 1872 MINING LAWS GOVERN THE ENTIRE OPERATION. THAT'S BEEN PROVEN IN THE HIGHEST COURT OF THE LAND. AFTER ALL, THE MINING DISTRICT PRESIDENTS HAVE FINAL SAY SO REGARDING THE MINERS AND THEIR PROBLEM(S). YOU ARE OPENING YOURSEF TO MANY MANY LAW SUITS FROM THE MINERS AND OTHERS.