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Comments:

Yes, the Forest Service should indeed adopt a Casual Use- Notice-Plan of Operations regulatory scheme that is the same as BLM, there should not be a different regulatory regime for the two agencies, it should be the same. To encourage development of locatable minerals, surface occupancy should be completely unregulated as long as it is directly related to prospecting-development-actual mining. The Forest Service should NOT be able to establish "Area(s) of Critical Environmental Concern" as BLM does. This classification exists purely to frustrate mineral development and should be abolished across the board. Also, the new and/or stream-lined regulations should openly declare that there are basic "due and necessary degradation" activities and permanent effects associated with mining that should be totally unregulated and unnecessary to reclaim such as test pits to expose mineralization and the creation of dumps. Any feature which is recognized or can be cited as a "permanent improvement" in case law under the 1872 Mining Law should not be regulated or required to be reclaimed. Acid drainage and acid forming "waste rock" should specifically not be regulated as it is the natural consequence of geological forces and events that led to the formation of ore deposits in the first place and downstream waters did not necessarily support aquatic life pre-mining. Not every stream need support fish- fishermen should just go elsewhere for their self-gratifying activities. Not every area should be required to be suitable for what amounts to a masterbatory exercise. Society at large should be required to pay to treat water downstream of mining districts to standards befitting the intended use. Strict 30 day time limits should be imposed for review and approval of plans and notices, otherwise they should automatically be approved by operation of law. Finally, since the Constitution prohibits the support and/or recognition of any one religion, Native American "spiritual sites" should not be allowed to interfere on any level with locatable mineral development.