

Section 21 (NM0135) Mine Site Visit

Introduction

On April 16, 2024 Clint Chisler and Samantha Rynas inspected the AUM Section 21 Mine. This mine is on private property owned by the Freeport McMoRan near the Tyrone Mine. Permission and escort must be obtained by Tyrone personnel to access this site. Currently Ty Bays and Matt Gutierrez are the contacts.

Observations

The Section 21 Mine is found at the top of a long remnant exploration road up a canyon east of the reclaimed tailing ponds at the Tyrone Mine. Getting to this site requires a rough drive up a narrow arroyo and a long hike up a mountain. The disturbance associated with this mine is minor and no major radiological hazards seem to exist. For more detailed site assessment information see the Intera Report (attached). Currently this mine is not slated to be part of DOE's DRUM Program.

GPS Coordinates Taken: N 32.722163 / W 108.392067

Recommendations for future actions

The recommendation for future actions on this site is "no action" due to the remote location and lack of radiological hazards. Additionally, Ty Bays from Freeport McMoRan indicated that the company would like to leave the site as it is.

Photos



Cut into mountain at the top of the site



Cut into mountain at the top of the site



Possible additional disturbance near the site



Possible additional disturbance near the site



Outcrop above the site



Looking down the mountain from the site