

## Appendix R

### R.0 BLM 3031 - Energy and Mineral Resource Assessment

#### R.1 Mineral Potential Classification System<sup>1</sup>

##### R.1.1 Level of Potential

- O** – The geologic environment, the inferred geologic processes, and the lack of mineral occurrences do not indicate potential for accumulation of mineral resources.
- L** – The geologic environment and the inferred geologic processes indicate **low potential** for accumulation of mineral resources
- M** – The geologic environment, the inferred geologic processes, and the reported mineral occurrences or valid geochemical/geophysical anomaly indicate **moderate potential** for accumulation of mineral resources
- H** – The geologic environment, the inferred geologic processes, the reported mineral occurrences and/or valid geochemical/geophysical anomaly, and the known mines or deposits indicate **high potential** for accumulation of mineral resources. The “known mines and deposits” do not have to be within the area that is being classified, but have to be within the same type of geologic environment.
- ND** – Mineral(s) potential **not determined** due to lack of useful data. This notation does not require a level-of-certainty qualifier.

##### R.1.2 Level of Certainty

- A** – The available data are insufficient and/or cannot be considered as direct or indirect evidence to support or refute the possible existence of mineral resources within the respective area.
- B** – The available data provide **indirect** evidence to support or refute the possible existence of mineral resources.
- C** – The available data provide **direct evidence** but are quantitatively minimal to support or refute the possible existence of mineral
- D** – The available data provide **abundant direct** and **indirect evidence** to support or refute the possible existence of mineral resources.

For the determination of **No Potential** use O/D. This class shall be seldom used, and when used it should be for a specific commodity **only**. For example, if the available data show that the surface and subsurface types of rock in the respective area is batholithic (igneous intrusive), one can conclude, with reasonable certainty, that the area **does not** have potential for coal.

The following page displays the list of the G-E-M Resource Areas.

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<sup>1</sup> As used in this classification, potential refers to potential for the presence (occurrence) of a concentration of one or more energy and/or mineral resources. It does not refer to or imply potential for development and/or extraction of the mineral resource(s). It does not imply that the potential concentration is or may be economic, that is, be extracted profitably.

List R.1 – G-E-M Resource Areas

No.	Area	No.	Area	No.	Area
1	Adobe Mountain	26	Fish Lake Valley	51	Palo Verde Mountains
2	Alvord Mountain	27	Granite Mountains	52*	Panamint
3	Avawatz Mountain	28	Greenwater Range	53*	Picacho
4	Bighorn Mountains	29*	Hackberry	54	Piute Mountains
5*	Big Maria Mountains	30	Haiwee Reservoir	55	Providence Mountains
6	Boron	31*	Halloran	56*	Pyramid Peak
7	Borrego Springs	32*	Homer Mountain	57	Red Mountain
8	Bristol Lake	33	Imperial Valley	58*	Resting Springs Range
9*	Bristol Mountains	34*	Inyo Mountains	59	Riverside Mountains
10	Cadiz/Danby Lake	35	Iron Mountain	60*	Rodman Mountains
11*	Cady Mountains	36	Ivanpah Valley	61	Sacramento Mountains
12*	Calico Mountains	37	Jawbone Canyon	62*	Saline Range
13*	Chuckwalla	38	Kingston Range	63*	Saline Mountains
14	Cima Dome	39*	Last Chance Range	64	Saline Mountains
15*	Clark Mountain	40	Marble Mountains	65	Santa Rosa Mountains
16	Coachella	41	Mojave Valley	66*	Searles
17	Copper Mountain	42	Morongo Valley	67	Sierra Pelona
18	Dale Lake	43	New York Mountains	68	Soledad/~Osamond
19*	Darwin/Slate Range	44*	Old Dad Mountain	69	Stepladder Mountains
20*	Dumont Dunes	45	Old Woman Mountains	70	Stoddard
21	Eagle Mountain	46	Ord Mountain	71*	Talc City Hills
22	East Mesa-North	47	Orocopia Mountains	72	Turtle Mountains
23	East Mesa-South	48	Owens Peak	73	Vallecito Mountains
24	El Paso Mountains	49*	Owlshead Mountains	74*	Whipple Mountains
25*	Eureka Valley	50*	Palen/~cCoy Mountains	75	Yuha Basin

\* GRAs analyzed with a formal mineral report: (7,596,160 acres)