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The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is following local, state, and federal guidelines on a phased approach to safely reopen in-person public access to visitor centers and public rooms in our California offices. As we continue to operate and serve the public during this time, safety of our visitors and employees is our top priority. The California State Office public room in Sacramento remains temporarily closed to in-person visits. Therefore, we **encourage** submission of mining claims by mail or mining payments online <https://mlrs.blm.gov/s/> (Please use Chrome Browser). The BLM is available to assist by phone at (916) 978-4400 or by email at [BLM\\_CA\\_SO\\_Public\\_Room@blm.gov](mailto:BLM_CA_SO_Public_Room@blm.gov). Mail is being regularly checked and processed in order of receipt. For electronic payment, please visit BLM's Minerals and Land Records System (MLRS) at <https://mlrs.blm.gov/s/>. Please use Chrome Browser.

For hard copy submission, please address to:

**BLM California State Office – Accts.**

**2800 Cottage Way W-1623**

**Sacramento, CA 95825**

As visitor centers and public rooms reopen, we will be notifying the public via our website: [www.blm.gov/site-page/blm-california-covid-19-updates](http://www.blm.gov/site-page/blm-california-covid-19-updates).

Visitors are encouraged to protect themselves and others around them by following CDC recommended guidelines. For more information, visit <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/prevention.html>

- Wash your hands often or use hand sanitizer (60% alcohol or higher). The BLM public room will provide hand sanitizer in our offices for the public to use.
- Practice Social Distancing. Stay at least 6 feet apart from other people.
- Cover your mouth and nose with a cloth face cover when around others (**Recommended, not mandatory**).
- Stay home if you're feeling sick.
- Avoid bringing more visitors than necessary

Thank you for your cooperation.

**\*\*\* IMPORTANT REMINDER \*\*\***  
**MINING CLAIM AND SITE FILING REQUIREMENTS FOR 2022**  
**Due on or before September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021**

Mining Claimants holding unpatented mining claims or sites on Federal lands must file annual maintenance fee payment or maintenance fee waiver certification, Form 3830-2, (waiver) on or before Wednesday, September 1, 2021, to the **Bureau of Land Management (BLM) California State Office**. The address is **BLM, [2800 Cottage Way, Suite W-1623, Sacramento, CA 95825](#)**. **The Phone Number is (916) 978-4400**. Failure to timely pay the fee or file the waiver in the proper BLM State Office will subject your claims or sites to forfeiture by operation of law.

A final rule was published in the Federal Register on July 1, 2019, [84 FR 31219](#), which increased the location fee and maintenance fee due for mining claims and sites recorded with the BLM. These increases are in effect starting with the 2020 assessment year, which starts September 1, 2019.

The maintenance fee for lode claims, mill sites or tunnel sites are \$165 per claim or site. The fee for a placer claim is \$165 for each 20 acres of the claim or a portion thereof. For instance, if a placer claim contains 70 acres, you must pay \$660 for the maintenance fee (\$165 for each 20 acres + \$165 for the remaining 10 acres = \$660). For new claims, the fees to apply are as follows: \$40 location fee and an initial maintenance fee for the 2022 assessment year at the rate of \$165, will be due along with a \$20 processing fee.

**Mining Claim and Maintenance Fee Schedule:**

Mining Claim Fee Schedule - New Claims located on or after September 1, 2020

TYPE	DOCUMENTS NEEDED	DATE DUE	PER CLAIM FEE
Lode Claims, Mill Sites, and Tunnel Sites	Notice of Location Map	Within 90 days from the date of location of the claim or site, claimants must also file with the County Recording Office	Processing Fee- \$20 Location Fee-\$40 Maintenance Fee-\$165 for the first year of location for a Total of - \$225
Placer Claims	Notice of Location Map	Within 90 days from the date of location of the Placer claim, claimants must also file with the County Recording Office	Processing Fee- \$20 Location Fee- \$40 Maintenance Fee- \$165 for each 20 acres or portion thereof

Maintenance Fee Schedule - Existing Claims

DOCUMENT NEEDED	DATE DUE	PER CLAIM FEE
A listing of each claim name and associated BLM CAMC serial or CA serial 9-digit number (Forms 3830-4 and 3830-4a may be used)	On or before September 1, 2021	\$165 for lode claims, mill sites, and tunnel sites. For placer claims, \$165 for each 20 acres or portion thereof.

Maintenance Fee Waiver Certification, commonly known as Small Miner’s Waiver – No Charge for filing. To qualify for a maintenance fee payment waiver, each mining claimant and all related parties must own 10 or fewer claims and or sites nationwide by September 1, 2021 and have performed \$100 worth of assessment work on the claims.

DOCUMENTS NEEDED	DATE DUE	PROCESSING FEE
Form 3830-2 Maintenance Fee Waiver Certification	On or before September 1, 2021	None
Affidavit of Assessment*	On or before December 30, 2021	\$15 per claim
Notice of Intent to Hold*	On or before December 30, 2021	\$15 per claim

\*An Affidavit of Assessment, along with the appropriate processing fee, may be submitted with the Maintenance Fee Waiver Certification for the second calendar year and after.

\*Notice of Intent to Hold- Must be filed for the first calendar year for the claim(s) located or the first instance a waiver form is filed. May be submitted with the Maintenance Fee Waiver.

Failure to pay mining fees by September 1, 2021 will subject the claims or sites to be forfeiture by operation of law.

***Conveniently pay the maintenance fee online:***

Mining Claimants may pay the maintenance fee with a credit card, debit card or ACH payment online (except for claims or sites in Alaska) at the BLM’s MLRS online Payment: <https://mlrs.blm.gov/s/> (Please use Chrome Browser). Payments made online must be made on or before midnight, September 1, 2021, Eastern Daylight Time. If paying online, there is no need to send any notification to the BLM State Office that manages individual’s claims or sites. Treasury limits apply to credit card payments.

*Note: The current Treasury limit for credit card payments is \$24,999.99. ( <https://www.fiscal.treasury.gov/cas/rules-and-security-requirements.html> ) Even though there are no Treasury limits for debit card or ACH payments, you should contact your bank to verify any restrictions they may have for such payments. During the process of paying for your claims or sites online, you will have the opportunity to print a receipt of your order; please take that opportunity to print your receipt showing the claims and sites for which you have paid. After you complete your transaction you will receive confirmation of your payment, and the BLM State Office where your claims or sites are recorded will have a receipt of the transaction.*

Five (5) days after claimants make their payment, verification of the payment can be checked that payments were recorded by running a report of their claims or sites at BLM’s MLRS website at <https://mlrs.blm.gov/s/> **Please Use Chrome Browser.**

**Waiver Requirements:** Mining claimants may file the waiver if the claimant and all related parties own 10 or fewer claims or sites nationwide during the current mining year on September 1, 2021. Form 3830-2 (attached) must be used and must contain **original signatures** of each owner and include their current **mailing** address. If an agent signs the waiver on the claimant's behalf, a power of attorney must be provided, and must be **notarized and designate** that the agent is authorized to sign on claimant's behalf. This power of attorney should be submitted with a waiver if not already on file with the BLM, or if the one on file with the BLM is over 5 years old. **There is no processing fee when filing the waiver. Faxed or emailed waivers are not acceptable and will be returned unrecorded.**

(43 CFR Part 3830.5 & 3830.6)

**5.** All owners of the mining claims, mill sites, and tunnel sites and their addresses must be filled in, even if a designated agent is signing the form on behalf of any of the owners.

**6.** This waiver form must be signed by all the claimants or their designated agent, in original form. If an agent is designated, a notarized power of attorney, signed by all of the claimants with proper address given, must be submitted with this waiver. Agents sign their own names in place of the owner's signature, and the agent's signature must be in original form.

FLPMA Document Filings: Mining claimants who have filed a waiver for the 2021 assessment year must also file the following on or before **December 30, 2021** to complete that filing:

For placer or lode claims, an affidavit of assessment work (**proof of labor**) attesting that mining claimants performed at least \$100 worth of labor to make improvements on each claim, during that assessment year, along with a \$15 processing fee for each claim CAMC number or current CA 9-Digit number; or

For mill sites and tunnel sites, a **notice of intent to hold** along with a \$15 processing fee for each site.

BLM Forms can be found online at <https://www.blm.gov/services/electronic-forms>. It is highly recommended that the mining claimant's proof of labor or notice of intent to hold, along with claimant's processing fee, be submitted at the same time the waiver is filed.

**Processing fees for affidavit of assessment work, notices of intent to hold is \$15 per CAMC number or current CA 9-digit number, and transfers of interest also known as Quit Claim Deeds is \$15 per claim times number of transferee (number of people a claim is being transferred "to" times \$15). Please make sure to submit the correct amount of processing fees with these documents. Formula: (# of claims x # of people being transferred to x \$15).**

**ATTN MINING CLAIMANT(S):**



According to the Federal Register Volume 84, No. 126, published July 1, 2019, effective July 1, 2019, maintenance fees beginning with the 2020 assessment year have been increased from \$155.00 to \$165.00. For association placer claims, the fees are \$165.00 for every 20 acres or portion thereof. Failure to pay the required fees by September 1, 2021 will result in forfeiture of the claims.

Payment may be sent to the BLM California State Office:

Bureau of Land Management  
California State Office - Accts  
2800 Cottage Way, Suite W-1623  
Sacramento, CA 95825-1889

Phone Number is (916) 978-4400

**FILING DATE**

Annual filings will be due on September 1, 2021

**COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING FOR CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS:**

Exact name as shown on credit card: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Paid: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Card:  VISA  MASTERCARD  DISCOVER  AMERICAN EXPRESS

CREDIT CARD NUMBER

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Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Title 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 43 U.S.C. 1212 make it a crime for any person knowingly and willfully to make to any department or agency of the United States any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations as to any matter within its jurisdiction.

**NOTE TO BLM EMPLOYEES: DETACH THIS PAGE BEFORE FILING THIS FORM IN APPLICABLE CASE FILES.**





## INSTRUCTIONS

1. This is an optional form that may be used to satisfy the requirements for the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) under the provisions of 43 U.S.C. §1744 and 30 U.S.C. §28f and the regulations thereunder (43 CFR part 3834). Since local and State laws may vary, you should contact your local and State agencies where the claims are located to ensure all applicable laws and requirements are satisfied.
2. This form should be used to pay the maintenance fee for placer mining claims only. To pay the maintenance fee for lode mining claims, mill sites or tunnel sites, use Form 3830-5.
3. Complete the section for the number of claims and the amount being remitted to the BLM.
4. Enter the year in paragraph 2 for the applicable assessment year.
5. List all mining claim names and the BLM serial number associated to the claim if the BLM has notified you what the serial number is. Every attempt should be made to include the current BLM serial number for each claim listed. List the acreage for each claim and the amount due based on the acreage. See the chart below for amounts due.
6. The maintenance fee for placer mining claims is paid for every 20 acres of the claim **or portion thereof**. When making a maintenance fee payment for your placer claim, you should make your payment in accordance with the following chart:

Number of acres in the claim	Maintenance Fee Payment Due Per Claim
< = 20 acres	\$165
> 20 acres but < = 40 acres	\$330
> 40 acres but < = 60 acres	\$495
> 60 acres but < = 80 acres	\$660
> 80 acres but < = 100 acres	\$825
> 100 acres but < = 120 acres	\$990
> 120 acres but < = 140 acres	\$1,155
> 140 acres but < = 160 acres	\$1,320
> 160 acres	Contact the BLM

Legend: > means greater than; < means less than; = means equal to

7. The name and current mailing addresses of the person paying the maintenance fee(s) should be listed at the top of the form. If this is a change of address for a claimant, that should also be noted.
8. If needed, an additional sheet can be used to continue listing claim names, BLM serial numbers, acres in claim, payment due or the name and current mailing address of additional claimants.
9. If paying by credit card, you must complete the following credit card information on page 4: (a) exact name on the face of the credit card; (b) amount paid; (c) type of card; (d) credit card number; (e) expiration date of the card; and (f) telephone number. You must also sign page 4 to show authorization to charge the credit card.

## NOTICES

**THE PRIVACY ACT** and 43 CFR 2.48(d) require that you be furnished with the following information in connection with the information requested by this form.

**AUTHORITY:** 30 U.S.C. 28f and 43 CFR part 3834 permit collection of the information requested by this form.

**PRINCIPAL PURPOSE:** The BLM will use the information you provide to record the annual maintenance fee payment for the claims listed and to verify that payment has been made in accordance with 30 U.S.C. 28f and 43 CFR part 3834.

**ROUTINE USES:** The BLM will only disclose this information in accordance with the provisions at 43 CFR 2.56(b) and (c).

**EFFECT OF NOT PROVIDING INFORMATION:** Disclosure of the requested information is required by 30 U.S.C. 28f and 43 CFR part 3834 for claimants paying the annual maintenance fee. The use of this specific form when paying the maintenance fee is optional. However, when paying the maintenance fee, it is the requested information on this form that is required to be submitted along with the fee. Failure to submit all the required information will delay the BLM's processing of the information and may preclude the BLM's acceptance of the maintenance fee payment, which may result in forfeiture of the mining claim(s) by the claimant.

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Form 3830-5  
(July 2019)

UNITED STATES  
 DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
 BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT  
**MAINTENANCE FEE PAYMENT FORM**  
**FOR LODE CLAIMS, MILL SITES, AND TUNNEL SITES**

Remitter Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Check here if this is a change of address.

**FOR COUNTY RECORDER'S USE**

No. of claims/sites \_\_\_\_\_ x  
 \$165 per claim/site  
 Total due BLM \$ \_\_\_\_\_

1. The maintenance fee may be paid by cash, check, money order, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Declining Deposit Account, or credit card (VISA, American Express, Discover, or MasterCard). Payments must be remitted to the BLM State Office where your claim or site is recorded and received on or before September 1. If the payment is mailed, the envelope must be postmarked by a bona fide delivery service on or before September 1 and received at the proper BLM State Office within 15 calendar days after the due date. Payments may also be made by telephone using a credit card. A complete listing of BLM State Offices with their addresses and phone numbers can be found at <https://www.blm.gov/locations>.
2. The maintenance fee for the following claim(s)/site(s) applies to the assessment year \_\_\_\_\_.

CLAIM/SITE NAME	BLM SERIAL NO.

Use a separate sheet for additional claim/site names, serial numbers, and claimant names and addresses.

## INSTRUCTIONS

1. This is an optional form that may be used to satisfy the requirements for the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) under the provisions of 43 U.S.C. §1744 and 30 U.S.C. §28f and the regulations thereunder (43 CFR part 3834). Since local and State laws may vary, you should contact your local and State agencies where the claims are located to ensure all applicable laws and requirements are satisfied.
2. This form should be used to pay the maintenance fee for lode mining claims, mill sites, and tunnel sites only. To pay the maintenance fee for placer mining claims, use Form 3830-5a.
3. Complete the section for the number of claims and the amount being remitted to the BLM.
4. Enter the year in paragraph 2 for the applicable assessment year.
5. List all mining claim or site names and the BLM serial number associated to the claim or site, if the BLM has notified you what the serial number is. Every attempt should be made to include the current BLM serial number for each claim or site listed.
6. The name and current mailing addresses of the person paying the maintenance fee(s) should be listed at the top of the form. If this is a change of address for a claimant, that should also be noted.
7. If needed, an additional sheet can be used to continue listing claim and site names and BLM serial numbers, or the name and current mailing address of additional claimants.
8. If paying by credit card, you must complete the following credit card information on page 3: (a) exact name on the face of the credit card; (b) amount paid; (c) type of card; (d) credit card number; (e) expiration date of the card; and (f) telephone number. You must also sign on page 3 to show authorization to charge the credit card.

## NOTICES

**THE PRIVACY ACT** and 43 CFR 2.48(d) require that you be furnished with the following information in connection with the information requested by this form.

**AUTHORITY:** 30 U.S.C. 28f and 43 CFR part 3834 permit collection of the information requested by this form.

**PRINCIPAL PURPOSE:** The BLM will use the information you provide to record the annual maintenance fee payment for the claims and sites listed and to verify that payment has been made in accordance with 30 U.S.C. 28f and 43 CFR part 3834.

**ROUTINE USES:** The BLM will only disclose this information in accordance with the provisions at 43 CFR 2.56(b) and (c).

**EFFECT OF NOT PROVIDING INFORMATION:** Disclosure of the requested information is required by 30 U.S.C. 28f and 43 CFR part 3834 for claimants paying the annual maintenance fee. The use of this specific form when paying the maintenance fee is optional. However, when paying the maintenance fee, it is the requested information on this form that is required to be submitted along with the fee. Failure to submit all the required information will delay the BLM's processing of the information and may preclude the BLM's acceptance of the maintenance fee payment, which may result in forfeiture of the mining claim(s) or site(s) by the claimant.

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Form 3830-2  
(April 2020)

UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT  
MAINTENANCE FEE WAIVER CERTIFICATION

FORM APPROVED  
OMB NO. 1004-0114  
Expires: April 30, 2023

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON PAGE 2

1. This small miner waiver is filed for the assessment year beginning on September 1, \_\_\_\_\_ and ending on September 1, \_\_\_\_\_.
2. The undersigned and all related parties owned ten or fewer mining claims, mill, or tunnel sites located and maintained on Federal lands in the United States of America on September 1, \_\_\_\_\_.
3. The undersigned have performed the assessment work required by law for each mining claim listed prior to filing this waiver and understand that by filing this form, the undersigned must file an affidavit of assessment work with the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) by the December 30th following the filing of this waiver.
4. The undersigned understand that if the assessment work obligation has not yet come due under 30 U.S.C. 28 (for those claims in their first assessment year only), a notice of intent to hold reciting this condition must be recorded by the December 30th following the filing of this waiver.
5. The undersigned understand that mill and tunnel sites may also be listed on this waiver and be waived from payment of the maintenance fee, and that a notice of intent to hold for these sites is required to be filed with the BLM by the December 30th following the filing of this waiver.
6. The undersigned understand and acknowledge that pursuant to 43 U.S.C. 1212 and 18 U.S.C. 1001, the filing or recording of a false, fictitious, or fraudulent document with the BLM may result in a fine of up to \$250,000, a prison term not to exceed five years, or both.
7. The mining claims, mill or tunnel sites for which this waiver from payment of the maintenance fees is requested are:

CLAIM OR SITE NAME	BLM RECORDATION SERIALNUMBER
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The owner(s) (claimants) of the above mining claims and sites are:

_____ (Owner's Name - Please Print)	_____ (Owner's Original Signature)		
_____ (Owner's Mailing Address)	_____ (City)	_____ (State)	_____ (Zip Code)
_____ (Owner's Name - Please Print)	_____ (Owner's Original Signature)		
_____ (Owner's Mailing Address)	_____ (City)	_____ (State)	_____ (Zip Code)
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_____ (Owner's Name - Please Print)	_____ (Owner's Original Signature)		
_____ (Owner's Mailing Address)	_____ (City)	_____ (State)	_____ (Zip Code)

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(Owner's Name - Please Print)

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(Owner's Original Signature)

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(Owner's Mailing Address)

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(City)

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(State)

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(Zip Code)

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(Owner's Name - Please Print)

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(Owner's Original Signature)

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(Owner's Mailing Address)

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(State)

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(Zip Code)

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(Owner's Mailing Address)

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(State)

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(Zip Code)

18 U.S.C. 1001 and 43 U.S.C. 1212 make it a crime for any person knowingly and willfully to make to any department or agency of the United States any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations as to any matter within its jurisdiction.

#### INSTRUCTIONS

1. This certification is made under the provisions of 43 U.S.C. § 1744 and 30 U.S.C. §28-28k and the regulations thereunder (43 CFR Part 3830).
2. The claimant(s) must fill in the years in paragraph 1 for the beginning and ending of the assessment year for which this waiver is sought. For example, if the deadline for filing the waiver is September 1, 2020, it is for the 2021 assessment year and the assessment year's beginning date is September 1, 2020 and its ending date is September 1, 2021.
3. The claimant(s) must fill in the year in paragraph 2 for the beginning of the assessment year for which this waiver is sought. This is the same year as explained in Instruction 2 above. This certifies that the claimant(s) and their related parties owned 10 or fewer claims and sites nationwide as of that date. In order for the waiver to be valid for the entire assessment year, all claimants must not own more than 10 claims and sites for the entire assessment year. If any of the claimants own more than 10 claims and sites during the assessment year, the waiver will become void, and the maintenance fee for the assessment year the claims and sites were under waiver will become due by the next September 1.
4. All claim and site names and BLM serial numbers must be listed for the mining claims, mill sites, and tunnel sites for which the waiver is sought.
5. All owners of the mining claims, mill sites, and tunnel sites and their addresses must be filled in, even if a designated agent is signing the form on behalf of any of the owners.
6. This waiver form must be signed by all the claimants or their designated agent, in original form. If an agent is designated, a notarized designation of agent, signed by all of the claimants with proper address given, must be submitted with this waiver. Agents sign their own names in place of the owner's signature, and the agent's signature must be in original form.
7. This form must be filed no later than September 1st for the upcoming assessment year in the BLM State Office where the mining claims or sites are recorded, or the waiver cannot be granted by the BLM. (Example: To obtain a waiver for the assessment year 2021, which begins on September 1, 2020, you must qualify for and file for a waiver no later than September 1, 2020, in the proper BLM State Office.)
8. You must file a notice of intent to hold by the December 30th immediately following the filing of this waiver. For example, if you file this waiver on August 3, 2020, you must file a notice of intent to hold for the claims and sites listed on this form with BLM by December 30, 2020.
9. For all mining claims which require assessment work, you must file an affidavit of assessment work with BLM on or before the December 30th immediately following the end of the assessment year for which this waiver was filed. For example, if you filed this waiver on or before September 1, 2020 for the 2021 assessment year, you must file an affidavit of labor for the claims listed on this waiver by December 30, 2021. You must make this filing even if you pay the maintenance fee for the next assessment year. For example, you filed this waiver for the 2021 assessment year that ends September 1, 2021 and paid the maintenance fee for the 2022 assessment year on September 1, 2021. You would still be required to file an affidavit of assessment work for the 2021 assessment year by December 30, 2021.
10. For mill and tunnel sites, a notice of intent to hold for these sites is required to be filed by the December 30th following the end of the assessment year for which this waiver was filed.

## NOTICES

**The Privacy Act** and 43 CFR 2.223(d) require that you be furnished the following information in connection with the information requested by this form.

**AUTHORITY:** 30 U.S.C. 28f and 43 CFR part 3835 permit collection of the information requested by this form.

**PRINCIPAL PURPOSE:** The BLM will use the information you provide to verify that the owner(s) (claimants(s)) of a mining claim has/have complied with 30 U.S.C. 28f and 43 CFR part 3835 and is/are entitled to perform assessment work in lieu of paying the maintenance fee for the mining claims listed on this form.

**ROUTINE USES:** The BLM will only disclose this information in accordance with the provisions at 43 CFR 2.231(b) and (c).

**EFFECT OF NOT PROVIDING INFORMATION:** Disclosure of the requested information is required by 30 U.S.C. 28f and 43 CFR part 3835 for those claimants qualified to request the small miner's waiver allowed. Failure to submit all the requested information or to complete this form will delay the BLM's processing of the form and may preclude the BLM's acceptance of the maintenance fee waiver request, which may result in forfeiture of the mining claim or site by the claimant.

**RELEVANT SYSTEM OF RECORDS NOTICE (SORN) CITATION:** The Recordation of Mining Claims SORN may be found at 47 FR 55326 (December 8, 1982).

**The Paperwork Reduction Act** requires us to inform you that:

The BLM collects this information to determine whether or not you are qualified for waiver of maintenance fees. Submission of the requested information is necessary to obtain or retain a benefit.

You do not have to respond to this or any other Federal agency-sponsored information collection unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

**BURDEN HOURS STATEMENT:** Public reporting burden for this form is estimated to average 20 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining data, and completing and reviewing the form. You may submit comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this form to: U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (1004-0114), Bureau Information Collection Clearance Officer (WO-630), Mail Stop 401 LS, 1849 C St., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20240.

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Form 3830-004  
(January 2020)

UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

FORM APPROVED  
OMB NO.: 1004-0114  
Expires: April 30, 2023

**AFFIDAVIT OF ANNUAL ASSESSMENT WORK**

**WHEN RECORDED, MAIL DOCUMENT TO:**

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CITY, STATE, ZIP:** \_\_\_\_\_

**FOR COUNTY RECORDER'S USE**

**TO ALL WHOM IT  
MAY CONCERN:**

No. of Claims \_\_\_\_\_ x \$15/claim

Total due BLM \$ \_\_\_\_\_

1. The undersigned certifies that at least \$100 per claim was expended for development, labor and improvements, or equivalent value added, as the annual assessment work for the assessment year ending September 1, \_\_\_\_\_ for the following contiguous unpatented mining claim(s), located in the County of \_\_\_\_\_, in the State of \_\_\_\_\_.

BLM Serial No.	Name of Claim	Tp	Rg	Sec	Mer	County Recordation Book and Page No.	Co. Recording Date

2. Type of labor and improvements (specify what was done and give the total value for that labor and improvement to show at least \$100 for each claim). If a geological, geochemical, or geophysical survey was performed, as per 30 U.S.C. 28-1, reference the title of the report of survey, give cost and date of the survey and report, and indicate it was filed with the County Recorder:

Description of Work Performed	Value of Work Performed	Date Work Was Performed

3. Name and mailing address of each person who performed the labor and improvements:

**Name (please print)**

**Current Mailing Address (please print)**

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4. Name and mailing address of each person who holds and claims the subject mining claim(s) for the valuable minerals contained therein. Be sure to indicate if there is a change of address:

**Name (please print)**

**Current Mailing Address (please print)**

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5. The undersigned testifies that on the date of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, all monuments required by law were erected upon the subject claim(s), and all notices required by law were posted on the subject claim(s) or copies thereof were in place, and at said date, each corner monument bore or contained markings sufficient to appropriately designate the corner of the claim to which it pertains and the name of the claim(s).



I hereby certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of \_\_\_\_\_ that the foregoing statements are true and correct:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of person responsible for above statement) Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Title 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 43 U.S.C. 1212 make it a crime for any person knowingly and willfully to make to any department or agency of the United States any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations as to any matter within its jurisdiction.

***Notary Block***

**SUBSCRIBED AND SWORNTO** before me, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20 \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Affiant)

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

**INSTRUCTIONS**

1. This is an optional form that may be used to satisfy the requirements for the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) under the provisions of 43 U.S.C. §1744 and 30 U.S.C. §28-28d and the regulations thereunder (43 CFR part 3835). Since local and State laws may vary, you should contact your local and State agencies where the claims are located to ensure all applicable laws and requirements are satisfied.
2. The claimant(s) must fill in the date in paragraph 1 for the applicable assessment year and the county and state where the claims are located.
3. All claim names and BLM serial numbers for which this assessment affidavit applies must be listed. Additionally, legal descriptions, and original county recording information may be listed for additional identification purposes.
4. The claimant(s) must complete paragraph 2 listing all labor or improvements which was performed on or did benefit the subject mining claims. The value and date of the labor or improvements must also be listed. The total amount of labor or improvements can be listed, but the total expenditure must equal at least \$100 for each claim.
5. The names and current mailing addresses of the person(s) performing the labor must be listed in paragraph 3.
6. The name and current mailing address of each owner (claimant) of the claims must be listed in paragraph 4. The mailing address shall be the owner's address and not the address of an agent or anyone representing the claimant. Be sure to note if there has been a change of address.
7. Paragraph 5 shall be completed to show the date it was verified that all monuments required by law were properly erected, all notices were posted, and that corners were appropriately designated for all claims listed.
8. An exact legible reproduction or duplicate (other than microfilm or other electronic media) of this affidavit or another type of affidavit of assessment work that you file or will file in the county where each claim is located, must be filed with the BLM on or before December 30 of the calendar year in which the assessment year ends. For mill or tunnel sites, a separate notice of intent to hold must be fled with the BLM on or before December 30. Requirements for fling a notice of intent to hold can be found at 43 CFR 3835.33.
9. A processing fee of \$15 for each claim listed must be remitted to the BLM along with this or any other affidavit of assessment work.

## NOTICES

**THE PRIVACY ACT** and 43 CFR 2.223(d) require that you be furnished with the following information in connection with the information requested by this form.

**AUTHORITY:** 30 U.S.C. §28-28d and 43 CFR part 3835 permit collection of the information requested by this form.

**PRINCIPAL PURPOSE:** The BLM will use the information you provide to document compliance with 43 U.S.C. 1744 and that assessment work has been completed in accordance with 30 U.S.C. § 28-28d and 43 CFR part 3835 in lieu of paying the maintenance fee for the mining claims listed on this form.

**ROUTINE USES:** The BLM will only disclose this information in accordance with the provisions at 43 CFR 2.231(b) and (c). **EFFECT OF NOT PROVIDING INFORMATION:** Disclosure of the requested information is required by 30 U.S.C. § 28-28d and 43 CFR part 3835 for claimants qualified to perform assessment work in lieu of paying the maintenance fee. Failure to submit all the requested information or to complete this form will delay the BLM's processing of the form and may preclude the BLM's acceptance of the assessment work information, which may result in forfeiture of the mining claim(s) by the claimant.

**RELEVANT SYSTEM OF RECORDS NOTICE (SORN) CITATION:** The Recordation of Mining Claims SORN may be found at 47 FR 55326 (December 8, 1982).

**THE PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT** requires us to inform you that:

Use of this form is optional. You must perform assessment if a waiver to pay the maintenance fee has been requested. This form is provided to help you attest that annual assessment work has been completed in lieu of paying the maintenance fee for your claim(s). Submission of the requested information is necessary to obtain or retain a benefit.

You do not have to respond to this or any other Federal agency-sponsored information collection unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

**BURDEN HOURS STATEMENT:** The estimated public reporting burden for this form is 30 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining data, and completing and reviewing the form. You may submit comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this form to: U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (1004-0114), Bureau Information Collection Clearance Officer (WO-630), 1849 C Street, N.W., Room 2134LM, Washington, D.C. 20240.

RECORDING REQUESTED BY AND  
WHEN RECORDED, MAIL DOCUMENT TO:

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY, STATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
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FOR RECORDER'S USE

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO HOLD - MINING CLAIM**

43 CFR 3835.33

I hereby certify that the taxes have been paid in full:  
X  
Treasurer-Tax Collector Use                      Date

Mining Year  
Ending September 1, \_\_\_\_\_  
Year

Name of Claim(s) - Located in California	BLM CAMC Number	County Document Number & Date

Name and Address of each Claimant(s):

**PRINT NAME:**  
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**PRINT CURRENT MAILING ADDRESS:**  
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The Claim(s) held and claimed by the owner(s) for valuable mineral contained therein and owner(s) intend to continue development of the claim. The annual assessment work or affidavit of proof of labor has not been performed.

Check the applicable box below:

- Maintenance Fees have been paid to BLM for each claim or site;    **OR**
- Claimant has filed a Maintenance Fee Waiver with BLM;                      **OR**
- Claim was Located during the current assessment year

**SIGNATURE OF EACH CLAIMANT**  
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## **REMINDER \*\*\* REMINDER \*\*\* REMINDER**

### **MINING CLAIM AND SITE FILING REQUIREMENTS FOR 2022 ASSESSMENT YEAR**

If you own unpatented mining claims or sites on Federal lands, your annual maintenance fee payments or maintenance fee waiver certification, Form 3830-2, (waiver) are due on or before September 1, 2021, **in the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) State Office** of [your state]. Failure to timely pay the fee or file the waiver in the proper BLM office, will subject your claims or sites to forfeiture by operation of law.

The maintenance fees for a lode claim, mill site or tunnel site are \$165 per claim or site. The fee for placer claims is \$165 for each 20 acres of the claim or portion thereof. For instance, if a placer claim contains 70 acres, you must pay \$660 for the maintenance fee (\$165 for each 20 acres + \$165 for 10 acres).

As part of its response to the 2019 Novel Coronavirus (Covid-19), the BLM has continued to be open for business, but with some limitation on access to certain offices. Following guidance from the White House, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and state and local public health authorities, we are increasing access and services to BLM-managed public lands, offices and facilities in a phased approach based on regional, state and local conditions. You may pay your maintenance fees online, or you may pay the fees or file your waiver by mail. If you wish to pay your fees or file your waiver in person, before visiting our BLM offices, please check the [blm.gov](https://blm.gov) website to determine our office's operating status. Updates about the overall BLM response to Covid-19 are posted at <https://blm.gov/alert/coronavirus-advisory>.

***Conveniently pay your maintenance fees online using the Mineral & Land Records System (MLRS)!*** If you are a registered MLRS user, you may pay your maintenance fees with a credit card, debit card or ACH payment online (except for claims or sites in Alaska) at <https://mlrs.blm.gov/>. Payments made online must be made on or before midnight, September 1, 2021, Eastern Daylight Time. If paying online, there is no need to send any notification to the BLM State Office that manages your claims or sites. Treasury limits apply to credit card payments (the current Treasury limit for credit card payments is \$24,999.99). Even though there are no Treasury limits for debit card or ACH payments, you should contact your bank to verify any restrictions they may have for such payments. After you complete your transaction you will receive confirmation of your payment via the email address you use for MLRS, and the BLM State Office where your claims or sites are recorded will have a receipt of the transaction. Five days after you make your payment, you can also verify that your payment was recorded by running a report of your claims or sites at <https://reports.blm.gov/reports/MLRS>.

***Step by step instructions can be found online at:***

- ***Learn how to register here:***
  - For individuals: <https://mlrs.blm.gov/s/article/How-to-Create-a-Personal-Account-in-the-Community>
  - For businesses: <https://mlrs.blm.gov/s/article/How-to-Create-a-Business-Account-in-the-Community>
- ***Learn how to use MLRS to pay maintenance fees here:***
  - <https://mlrs.blm.gov/s/article/How-to-Pay-Maintenance-Fees>
- **Waiver Requirements:** You may file the waiver if you and all related parties own 10 or fewer claims or sites nationwide on September 1, 2021. Form 3830-2 (attached) must be used and must contain **original signatures** of each owner and include their current **mailing** address. If an agent signs the waiver on your behalf, you must have a **current notarized** designation that the agent is authorized to sign on your behalf. This designation should be submitted with your waiver if not already on file with the BLM, or if the one on file with the BLM is over 5 years old. There is no processing fee when filing the waiver. **Faxed or emailed waivers are not acceptable and will be returned unrecorded.**
- **FLPMA Document Filings:** If you filed a waiver for the 2021 assessment year, you must also file the following on or before December 30, 2021, to complete that filing:

- For placer or lode claims, an affidavit of assessment work (proof of labor) attesting that you performed at least \$100 worth of labor to make improvements on each of your claims, during the 2021 assessment year, along with a \$15 processing fee for each claim; or
- For mill sites and tunnel sites, a notice of intent to hold, along with a \$15 processing fee for each site.

Forms can be found online at <http://www.blm.gov/noc/st/en/business/eForms.html>. It is highly recommended that your proof of labor or notice of intent to hold, along with your processing fee, be submitted at the same time your waiver is filed.

**Please make sure you submit the correct amount of processing fees with these documents.**