

# Conversation Contents

Fw: Kirkland Mine update

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**From:** "Hawes, David (Rem)" <rhawes@blm.gov>  
**Sent:** Wed Oct 05 2016 22:32:49 GMT-0600 (MDT)  
**To:** Frederick Silvers <fsilvers@blm.gov>  
**Subject:** Fw: Kirkland Mine update

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**From:** Hawes, David (Rem) <[rhawes@blm.gov](mailto:rhawes@blm.gov)>  
**Date:** Tue, Oct 4, 2016 at 5:43 PM  
**Subject:** Re: Kirkland Mine update?  
**To:** Allison Dixon <[allison@jakesrun.com](mailto:allison@jakesrun.com)>

Ms. Dixon: The mining claims-holder, Kirkland Mining Company is allowed to conduct exploration activities in the vicinity of the stockpile area. The company may disturb up to 5 acres under the 1872 Mining Law and the "43 CFR 3809 Regulations." The company proposed doing exploration drilling and removing up to 1,000 tons bulk sample, as allowed in the regulations, to provide to potential vendors for their physical and marketability testing.

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**Sent:** Thu Oct 06 2016 09:13:55 GMT-0600 (MDT)  
**To:** "Hawes, David (Rem)" <rhawes@blm.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Fw: Kirkland Mine update

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**Sent:** Fri Oct 14 2016 19:14:28 GMT-0600 (MDT)  
**To:** "Silvers, Frederick" <[fsilvers@blm.gov](mailto:fsilvers@blm.gov)>  
**Subject:** Re: Fw: Kirkland Mine update

Did you make it up to Skull Valley? If so, let me know what you found or steer me toward the report. Thanks.  
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