

**EMERGENCY CLOSURE ORDER
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
SIERRA FRONT FIELD OFFICE
CARSON CITY DISTRICT**

Emergency Closure of Selected Public Lands in Storey County, Nevada

Action: Pursuant to 43 CFR 9268.3(d) and 43 CFR 8364.1, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is giving notice that public lands near Virginia City, Nevada as described below are closed to all entry, effective immediately. The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Carson City District Office will temporarily close certain public land surrounding and including the abandoned man-made structures and features known as the American Flat Mill in Storey County, Nevada, to all public use to provide for public safety during demolition and reclamation activities occurring at the site.

Affected Area:

The American Flat Mill is an abandoned mining feature located within the Virginia City National Historic Landmark. The BLM plans on abating the substantial physical safety hazard posed by the American Flat Mill by demolishing the remaining buildings.

The public lands affected by this closure are described as follows:

Mount Diablo Meridian

T. 16 N., R. 21 E.,

sec. 6, E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;

sec. 7, NE $\frac{1}{4}$.

The area described contains 190 acres, more or less, in Storey County, Nevada.

Prohibitions:

1. You must not enter the described closure area.

Dates: This closure is effective immediately and will remain in effect for the duration of demolition and reclamation activities.

Supplemental Information: Under 43 CFR 9268.3, and 43 CFR 8364.1, the following are exempt from the provisions of this order:

- a. Any Federal, State or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force engaged in fire, emergency, or law enforcement activities, or public utility employees engaged in emergency repairs;
- b. BLM employees, contractors, or agents engaged in official duties;
- c. Individuals operating within the scope of their official and legitimate governmental duties;
- d. Additional persons may be allowed, but must carry written approval signed by the BLM Authorized Officer, Carson City District.

Addresses: The closure notice, communications plan and map of the closure area will be posted at the BLM Carson City District Office, 5665 Morgan Mill Road, Carson City, Nevada and on the BLM Web site: http://www.blm.gov/nv/st/en/fo/carsoncity_field.html. The areas affected by

this closure order will be posted with appropriate regulatory signs and/or physical barriers to notify the public of the closure.

Penalties: On all public lands, under section 303(a) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA), 43 U.S.C. 1733(a), 43 CFR 8360.0-7, and 43 CFR 9262.1, any person who violates any of these supplementary rules, closures or restrictions on public lands of this order may be tried before a United States Magistrate and fined no more than \$1,000.00 or imprisoned for no more than 12 months, or both. Such violations may also be subject to enhancement fines provided for by 18 U.S.C. 3571 (not to exceed \$100,000 and/or imprisonment not to exceed 12 months).

Dated: November 14, 2014 .



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FIGURE A. AMERICAN FLAT MILL CLOSURE AREA LOCATION MAP

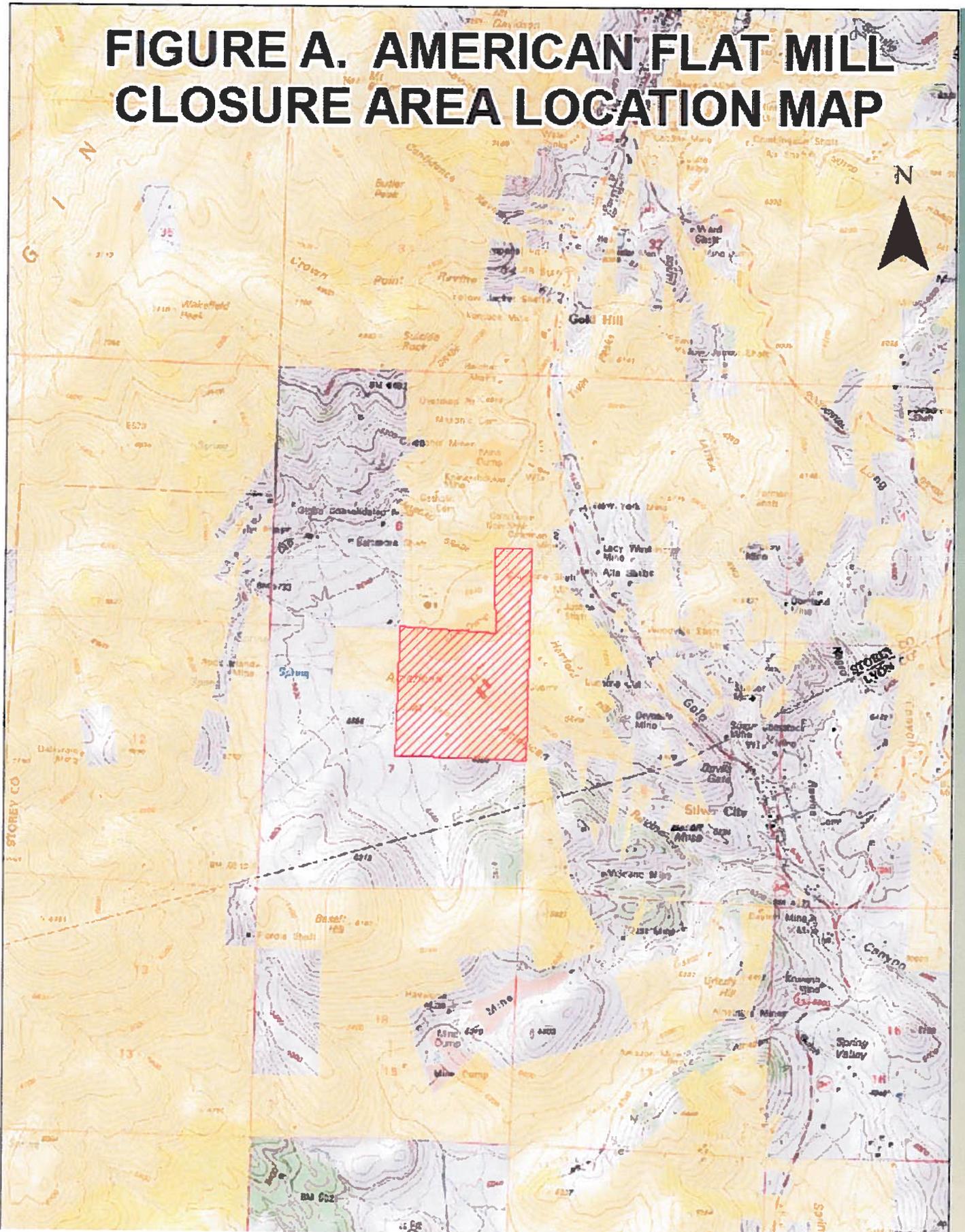


FIGURE B. AMERICAN FLAT MILL CLOSURE AREA SITE MAP

