

WILLIAMS PLACER

Gold Hill area

Owners: C. M., J. R., W. G., and F. T. Williams.

Location: Near the mouth of Ditch Creek in sec. 32, T. 34 S., R. 4 W., about 12 miles north of the town of Rogue River. Elevation of the property is approximately 1500 feet.

Area: 200 acres, patented.

History: The father of the present owners of the property homesteaded the ground many years ago and did not allow mining on the property while he was alive. Since his death in 1932, the property has been operated each season.

Geology: Bedrock is granite which is easily cleaned. The gravel contains no large rocks and only a small amount of clay. An average section is made up of 12 feet of gravel with 5 feet of overburden. Fifteen acres, reported to average about 25¢ a yard, has been mined. Gold is reported to be relatively coarse.

General: Water right consists of 20 c.f.s. from Ditch Creek. Water is delivered by means of a ditch about a mile long and through 3000 feet of pipe from 11 to 32 inches in diameter. Two giants (No. 1 and No. 2) deliver water under a head of 165 feet. Maximum snowfall is 2 feet.

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