

# State Department of Geology and Mineral Industries

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## LOST FLAT MINE

OWNERS: Dick Bland  
973 "R" Street  
Springfield, Ore. 97477

and

Herb Bland  
302 S. E. "K" Street  
Grants Pass, Ore. 97526

Location: On a small ridge in the E $\frac{1}{2}$  NE $\frac{1}{4}$  sec. 17, T. 35 S., R. 8 W., at about 2,400 feet elevation.

Area: Four claims, Lost Flat 1, 2, 3, and 4, held by location by the above owners since 1926.

History: Reported to have been discovered in 1872 by a group including Charlie Taylor, Lou Gibson, Bill Bland, and Billy Crow. Chunks of vein quartz containing free gold were discovered at the surface in the overburden. An arrastra was installed and over a period of years about \$120,000 is reported to have been produced. The present owners worked the claims by ground sluicing in the 1930's and have been exploring the claims intermittently till now.

Geology & Development: Early workings consisted of shallow surface excavations following rich, deeply weathered quartz pods and stringers. Long cross cut adits from both sides of the ridge attempting to develop rich ore at depth failed to encounter any mineralization. Shallower adits have been largely exhumed by surface trenching. The present workings consist of 2 bulldozer trenches near the saddle and a short drift. The cuts are about 150 feet apart and the drift lies about 100 yards south of the cuts on the southwest side of the northwest-trending ridge. The trenches expose highly sheared and weathered metavolcanic rocks of the Rogue Formation. The rocks appear to include amphibolite, contorted chlorite schist and talc schist. Surface weathering to clay is generally present. The strike of shearing is about N. 30° E. and the dip 30° west. A prominent sheared zone contains abundant clay and talc and is exposed in both cuts. Vein quartz is common in and along the sheared zone as irregular lenses, fragments and pieces. Iron and manganese oxide staining is scattered throughout the whole sheared mass of rock and also coats fractures in the vein quartz. The west-dipping shear zone exposed in the cuts may be part of a series of shears associated with a larger structure, such as a thrust fault that may be present within the Rogue Formation. The geology in the immediate vicinity is very complex and more detailed information on the surrounding area is needed.

Visited by: Len Ramp and Norman Peterson with Dick and Herb Bland.

Date: June 1, 1973

Report by: Peterson & Ramp  
6-5-73

A group of 7 samples taken for assay are listed on the attached form



STATE DEPARTMENT OF GEOLOGY AND MINERAL INDUSTRIES  
PROJECT SAMPLE RECORD

Department of Geology & Minerals,

SAMPLES SUBMITTED BY: Len Ramp

ADDRESS: P.O. Box 417 Grants Pass, Ore. 97526 DATE: June 4, 1973

<u>Sample No.</u>	<u>Mine or Prospect</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>District</u>	<u>S.</u>	<u>T.</u>	<u>R.</u>	<u>Assay For</u>
AHG-26	Lost Flat	7' Channel	Galice	N.E. 17	35 S	8 W	Au, Ag
" -27	"	7' Channel	"	"	"	"	Au, Ag
" -28	"	6' Channel	"	"	"	"	Au, Ag
" -29	"	7' Channel	"	"	"	"	Au, Ag
" -30	"	Grab	"	"	"	"	Au, Ag
" -31	"	5' Channel	"	"	"	"	Au, Ag
" -32	"	Grab	"	"	"	"	Au, Ag

Descriptions:

- 26 Sheared, iron-stained, weathered talc-chlorite schist, vertical cut near <sup>S</sup>NE end of ~~eastern~~ <sup>THE SOUTHERN</sup> trench at base of north wall below main gray talc shear zone. Contains sheared vein quartz seams.
- 27 Same cut about 15 feet NW of #26. Vertical cut in manganese oxide stained schist above gray talc shear.
- 28 Similar material cut vertical about 15 feet northwest of #27.
- 29 Vert. channel about 20' NW of #28. Some of quartz seam included.
- 30 "High grade" clay and quartz seam from main NW pit. Gouge strikes about N. 30° E, dips 30° W.
- 31 Vertical channel from floor of NW pit up NW wall about 12' S. of adit, across iron-stained clay and talc shear zone with thin quartz seams.
- 32 Black manganese-oxide-stained quartz chlorite schist from main pit.

Results:

<u>Sample</u>	<u>Au</u>	<u>Ag</u>
38484 #1 -26	trace	nil
" #2 -27	.035	nil
" #3 -28	nil	nil
" #4 -29	trace	trace
" #5 -30	.64	.36
" #6 -31	.05	trace
" #7 -32	trace	nil

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6-1-73

mi at Calico 38.2  
Junc N. fork of main fork 40.1  
Lost Flat 44.1

Dick & Herb Bland 4 claims

Discovered 1872 by <sup>Charles</sup> Taylor

Law Gibson Bill Bland Bill Gibson

Took out total \$20,000 + ?

Used an excavator on

long tunnels from both sides of

Ridge hit nothing

Lost Flat group 1, 2, 3, 4

was

gentle undipping shear of Tale

N 20° E dips 30° W

#1 Nareff <sup>trough</sup> west channel below gray tale  
shear #2 15' west of #1

#2 7' above Tale shear in massive stained shear  
alt my #3 15' west of 2

#3 -6' above #2

#4 20' a' of 3 7' dip

Main Northwestern P.T

#5 on high grade gte sea  
in fault. gauge strike N30°E  
dip 30° W

#6 12' 5" of Adit in W. face  
5 ft. channel from floor of cut v  
To eye level.



RECORD IDENTIFICATION

RECORD NO..... M060777  
 RECORD TYPE..... X1M  
 COUNTRY/ORGANIZATION. USGS  
 DEPOSIT NO..... DDGMI 100-145  
 MAP CODE NO. OF REC..

REPORTER

NAME..... JOHNSON, MAUREEN G.  
 UPDATED..... 81 03  
 BY..... FERNS, MARK L. (BROOKS, HOWARD C.)

NAME AND LOCATION

DEPOSIT NAME..... LOST FLAT

MINING DISTRICT/AREA/SUBDIST. GALICE

COUNTRY CODE..... US  
 COUNTRY NAME: UNITED STATES

STATE CODE..... OR  
 STATE NAME: OREGON

COUNTY..... JOSEPHINE  
 DRAINAGE AREA..... 17100310 PACIFIC NORTHWEST  
 PHYSIOGRAPHIC PROV..... 13 KLAMATH MOUNTAINS  
 LAND CLASSIFICATION..... 41

QUAD SCALE QUAD NO OR NAME  
 1: 62500 GALICE

LATITUDE LONGITUDE  
 42-31-59N 123-39-44W

UTM NORTHING UTM EASTING UTM ZONE NO  
 4708949.1 445613.6 +10

TWP..... 35S  
 RANGE..... 08W  
 SECTION.. 17  
 MERIDIAN. N.M.

LOCATION COMMENTS: NE 1/4

COMMODITY INFORMATION

COMMODITIES PRESENT..... AU AG AG



FREE GOLD

ANALYTICAL DATA(GENERAL)

PICKED SAMPLE ASSAYED 0.64 OZ/TON AU; 0.36 OZ/TON AG

EXPLORATION AND DEVELOPMENT

STATUS OF EXPLOR. OR DEV. 2

PRESENT/LAST OWNER..... DICK BLAND, SPRINGFIELD OREGON (1973)

DESCRIPTION OF DEPOSIT

DEPOSIT TYPES:

SHEAR ZONE

FORM/SHAPE OF DEPOSIT: LENSES AND STRINGERS

SIZE/DIRECTIONAL DATA

SIZE OF DEPOSIT..... SMALL

STRIKE OF DREBODY.... N30E

DIP OF DREBODY..... 30W

DESCRIPTION OF WORKINGS

COMMENTS(DESCRIP. OF WORKINGS):

ARRASTRA

PRODUCTION

YES

SMALL PRODUCTION

ANNUAL PRODUCTION (DRE,COMMOD.,CONC.,OVERBURD.)

CUMULATIVE PRODUCTION (DRE,COMMOD.,CONC.,OVERBUR.)

ITEM	ACC	AMOUNT	THOUS.UNITS	YEAR	GRADE,REMARKS
15 AU		SOME		1872-1926	
23 AU, SML		SMALL		1875-1880	AU

PRODUCTION YEARS..... 1870'S

PRODUCTION COMMENTS.... SMALL AMT SHIPPED FOR TEST ONLY

GEOLOGY AND MINERALOGY

AGE OF HOST ROCKS..... JUR?

HOST ROCK TYPES..... AMPHIBOLITE