1069 State Office Building Portland 1, Oregon

CHROME MINE

STATE DEPT. OF GEOLOGY & MINERAL Josephine County Lower Applegate Dist.

Owners: Carl L. Stevens and Vard R. Miller, Grants Pass.

Area: One claim (not recorded).

Location: The mine is located near the center of sec. 7, T. 38 S., R. 5 W., at 4450 feet elevation on the south end of Pennington Butte. It is reached via State Highway 238, 112 miles south of Grants Pass, thence to the right at H. D. Wilson's mailbox, it is about 42 miles to the top of Pennington Butte and the Pennington Butte Chrome Mine (4,590 feet elevation), and one mile farther to the Stevens-Miller mine.

History: About 42 tons of chromite assaying about 46 percent Cr202 and 12 percent iron was reported shipped from the mine in 1954.

Development work: The workings consist of an open cut up to 12 feet deep and approximately 40 by 70 feet across; a 45° inclined shaft (south) to 25 feet depth with a 25-foot left-hand drift from the bottom of the incline; and a 50-foot vertical shaft which cuts through the bottom of the incline and has a 27 foot* crosscut to the south from the bottom of the shaft.

Geology: The deposit lies in a narrow and sinuous body of serpentine with numerous inclusions of hard gray metavolcanic rock. The serpentine trends about N. 60° E., nearly parallel to the ridge. The chromite is massive and occurs in lens-shaped bodies (the largest lens mined was reportedly 4 feet thick and 7 feet long) lying in a plane which strikes NE and dips about 55° SE. The chromite stringer reportedly split at the level of the left drift and was encountered at two places in the lower crosscut. At 15 feet, a 1-foot layer of chromite was cut and at the

^{*}Dimensions of workings were obtained from informant. Workings were not entered due to water.

face (about 12 feet farther) a 6-inch stringer was cut,

Most of the ore mined was taken from the open cut alongside the collar of the incline, in the incline, and a small amount in the short drift to the left from the bottom of the incline.

<u>Visited</u>: 10/2/57 (A.M.).

Report by: L.R. 10/3/57.

Informant: Carl Stevens.

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RECORD IDENTIFICATION

RECORD NO...... M061642

RECORD TYPE..... XIM
COUNTRY/DRGANIZATION. USGS

DEPOSIT NO...... DDGMI 100-313

MAP CODE NO. OF REC ..

REPORTER

UPDATED..... 81 04

BY...... FERNS, MARK L. (BRODKS, HOWARD C.)

NAME AND LOCATION

DEPOSIT NAME..... STEVENS -MILLER

MINING DISTRICT/AREA/SUBDIST. LOWER APPLEGATE

CDUNTRY CDDE..... US
CDUNTRY NAME: UNITED STATES

STATE CODE..... DR

STATE NAME: DREGON

COUNTY..... JOSEPHINE

DRAINAGE AREA.......... 17100309 PACIFIC NORTHWEST

PHYSIOGRAPHIC PROV..... 13 KLAMATH MOUNTAINS

LAND CLASSIFICATION 49

QUAD SCALE QUAD NO DR NAME 1: 62500 GRANTS PASS

LATITUDE LONGITUDE 42-16-51N 123-20-16W

UTM NORTHING UTM EASTING UTM ZONE NO 4680800. 472140. +10

TWP 385

RANGE ... 05%

SECTION.. 07 MERIDIAN. W.M.

ALTITUDE .. 4450

COMMODITY INFORMATION
COMMODITIES PRESENT..... CR

STATUS OF EXPLOR. DR DEV. 4

DESCRIPTION OF DEPOSIT

DEPOSIT TYPES: MASSIVE CHROMITE

FORM/SHAPE OF DEPOSIT: LENS, STRINGER

SIZE/DIRECTIONAL DATA

SIZE OF DEPOSIT SMALL

MAX LENGTH...... 7 FT MAX WIDTH..... 4 FT

STRIKE OF DREBODY NE

DIP OF DREBODY 55 SE

DESCRIPTION OF WORKINGS

SURFACE AND UNDERGROUND

PRODUCTION

YES

SMALL PRODUCTION

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

ITEM ACC AMOUNT THOUS. UNITS YEAR GRADE, REMARKS

1 DRE EST .040 TONS 1954 46% CR203, 12% FE

21 TOTAL .040 TONS 46.00 % CR203 (WEIGHTED AVERAGE GRADE)

GEOLDGY AND MINERALDGY

AGE OF HOST ROCKS JUR?

HOST ROCK TYPES..... SERPENTINE

LOCAL GEOLDGY

COMMENTS (GEOLOGY AND MINERALDGY):

SERPENTINE BODY CONTAINS NUMEROUS METAVOLCANIC "INCLUSIONS".

GENERAL COMMENTS

RECORD NUMBER (MO13409) HAS BEEN MERGED WITH THIS RECORD AND DELETED FROM THE DREGON FILE.

GENERAL REFERENCES

1) RAMP, LEN, 1961, CHROMITE IN SOUTHWESTERN DREGON: BREGON DEFT. GEOLOGY AND MINERAL IND. BULL. 52, 169 P.