

Retention and Classification Report

Agency: Dutch Mountain Mining District (Utah). Recorder (3145)

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Records Officer: _____

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SERIES: 24157

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TITLE: Mining records

DATES: 1892-1894.

ARRANGEMENT: By document type.

DESCRIPTION:

Throughout the decade of the 1890s mining prospectors searched the mountains of Tooele County in search of gold. Miners in the area of Dutch Mountain, which is west of the current Dugway Proving Ground, apparently organized the Dutch Mountain Mining District in 1892. Federal mining law enacted in 1872 provided that valuable mineral deposits in the public domain were free and open to exploration and purchase and that the locators of the same were to have exclusive right of possession. The law authorized the organization of mining districts to record mining claims and manage mining operations in local areas (Statutes at Large, Treaties, and Proclamations, of the United States of America, 1872, vol. 17, chap. 152). Dutch Mountain Record Book A contains notices of location recorded in the Dutch Mountain District 1892-1894. In addition to notices of location, Dutch Mountain records also include abstracts of the location notices in Book A, and many notices of intent to hold claims.

RETENTION AND DISPOSITION AUTHORIZATION:

These records are in Archives' permanent custody.

FORMAT MANAGEMENT:

Microfilm master: Retain in State Archives permanently with authority to weed.

Microfilm duplicate: Retain in State Archives permanently with authority to weed.

Paper: Retain in Office permanently after being microfilmed.

Microfilm duplicate: Retain in Office permanently.

APPRAISAL:

These records have historical value(s).

Dutch Mountain mining records document mining claims in the 1890s in the Dutch Mountain area of Tooele County (Utah).

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PRIMARY DESIGNATION:

Public