Retention and Classification Report

Agency: White Canyon Mining District (Utah). Recorder (2935)

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Records Officer

20081 *Mining records

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SERIES: 20081 4
TITLE: Mining records
DATES: 1887-1897.
ARRANGEMENT: Chronological by date filed
DESCRIPTION:

Mining records, which constitute a legal record, are kept for the purpose of monitoring and registering mining claims and operations. Mining records contain notices of location which provide the name of the claim, locators, location, legal description and the mining district; proof of labor registers which record the work performed at each mine annually by each worker; district by-laws; meeting minutes, and district officer election results. The White Canyon Mining District Recorder recorded mining operations in Garfield County and San Juan County in Utah. Until the law changed in 1897, mining districts in Utah had the option of electing their own mining district recorder. Many of the large mining districts, including the White Canyon Mining District, chose to elect their own recorders while claims and other records within smaller mining districts or in unorganized areas were filed with the county recorder. The district recorder ended in 1897 when the law changed and the county recorder assumed sole responsibility for mining records (Laws of Utah, 1897, Chapter 36).

RETENTION:

Retain until microfilmed

DISPOSITION:

Retain in agency custody.

STATE RECORDS COMMITTEE STATUS:

This retention was approved by the State Records Committee on 09/01/1991.

FORMAT MANAGEMENT:

The retention and disposition information on this schedule applies to the record copy which can be in any format. The record copy can include different formats. Format management information provided here is for the purpose of managing records that are being either stored by or transferred to Utah State Archives.

Paper: Retain in Office permanently after being microfilmed.

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Microfilm master: Retain in State Archives permanently.

Microfilm duplicate: Retain in Office permanently.

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

APPRAISAL:

Administrative Historical Legal
This disposition is based on Utah County General Records Retention Schedule, Schedule 15, Item 12.

Because of the importance of mining information, which documents the monitoring and registering of mining operations, the District Recorder is required by law to maintain mining records and their corresponding indexes.

PRIMARY CLASSIFICATION:

Public