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Kirkland Mining MPO, Skull Valley Open House

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Supervisor Simmons, Ms. Fox-Thomas:

I believe that BLM District Manager Leon Thomas and I are scheduled for about 10 minutes on your June 21 Board of Supervisors meeting (8:30 a.m. or 10:00 a.m.?), during which I'll talk about the Skull Valley area mining proposal. However, we just scheduled a public open house regarding the proposal at the Skull Valley Community Hall for July 11 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m., so want to let you know. We will announce it, but welcome you sharing this information as well.

Kirkland Mining Co. provided to the BLM the mining and reclamation plan of operation (MPO) for the Skull Valley site. Our interdisciplinary team reviewed it and found several items that need to be added to the plan before we will accept it. Last week, we informed the company about the needed information and we are awaiting a resubmission of an MPO.

Soon thereafter we will be reviewing and analyzing the biological and cultural resource data for the area. We will begin an environmental assessment (under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)) of the proposal following the July 11 open house in Skull Valley. The MPO will be available for examination.

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