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Dear Sir or Madame:

Please find enclosed an old report and map on the Banfield property that our survey came into possession of recently. The property is located in Oregon and the report may be of some value to your state. Could you please direct it to the appropriate staff member.

Sincerely,

Garry Payie
BC Geological Survey
Mr. Hollis Dole  
1069 State Office Building  
Portland 1, Oregon  

Dear Hollis:

On my last trip to S. W. Oregon I visited the old Banfield copper mine on Drew Creek (Sec. 34, T. 31 S., R. 2 W.). It is being reactivated. According to the foreman in charge of the work, three of the principals are: Arnold Moore, Edmonds, Washington; W. S. (?); Long, Portland; Wallace Webb, address unknown.

It was the foreman's belief that Long had been associated with the mine for many years so it is probable that he is the same Long mentioned in the Douglas County Metal Mines Handbook.

The present work started sometime this summer. The lower level has been cleaned out and one carload of ore has been mined and stockpiled. On the date of visit, three men were engaged in rebuilding about two miles of road, using material from an old dump.

One of the workmen showed me through the lower tunnel. Copper sulphides are spotty and at best will have to be selectively mined. At first glance the tonnage possibilities are discouraging. Some cinnabar is present.

My informant indicated that future plans did not then include construction of a mill. However, he, whom I took to be an experienced miner, voiced the opinion that one would have to be built if a profit is to be made. As is so often the case, no thorough job of sampling has been done.

I am sorry that I have so little information. Perhaps Len or Norm can keep an eye on the progress for us.

Sincerely,

/s/ Howard  

Howard C. Brooks  
Geologist
September 9, 1975

Dear Mr. Wolfe:

Drilling at the Banfield mine was done by Union Pacific Co. under the direction of James A. Marsh who is retired and consults for Neaves Petroleum Co., located in the Chamber of Commerce Bldg., Beverly Hills, Calif. (Phone 274-5275).

Prior to the work done by Union Pacific, a combine of Wisconsin Mining and McPhar Geophysical did a geophysical survey (I.P., I think).

The enclosed report and map of the lower tunnel are all we have in our file. I have seen another map about the same vintage showing the upper workings but it must be in our Portland office.

Sincerely,

Len Ramp
Resident Geologist

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Encls: Report (3 pages)
Map