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To: Field Managers, Nevada

From: State Director, Nevada

Subject: Identifying Physical Safety Hazards at Abandoned Mine Land Sites Adjacent to Areas of High Public Use.

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This Instruction Memorandum (IM) establishes in Nevada the implementation of the policy outlined in IM No. 2000-182 (Attachment 1). This policy directs the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) State Offices to identify and remediate Abandoned Mine Lands (AML) hazards near developed recreation sites and areas with high public use. Each State Office is to submit a report containing a list of developed recreation sites and areas with high visitor use which are determined to include or be in close proximity to an AML site posing physical safety hazards. This information will be expanded to include specific hazard rankings, remediation plans, and cost estimates.

The Division of Minerals Management has prepared a draft Geographic Information System (GIS) project to facilitate this process. AML sites at and within one mile of developed recreation sites, scenic and back country byways, the Black Rock and Red Rocks National Conservation Areas, and other areas of high public use are identified. Field Office recreation and minerals personnel are requested to review the draft project and provide comments regarding its completeness and accuracy. Comments are requested by E-Mail no later than April 20 and should be directed to Chris Ross, Natural Resource Specialist, at (775) 861-6571 or Jack Crowley, Geologist, at (775) 861-6572.

The project is being sent under separate cover. Please follow the Annual Work Plan directions for 1990 and 1640 in complying with this request.

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1 Attachment

1 IM No. 2000-182 (8 pp)

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Project Package (1 CD)

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