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1.0 AREA SCENARIOS, NEVADA - SECOND ITERATION

1.1 Introduction

By the end of the first year of the Southwest Regional Geothermal Project, the Nevada State Team has defined over 300 geothermal sites. Because of the multitude of sites and data, scenarios for this first project-year have been completed for the twenty-six Nevada Geothermal Areas, which include all the specific sites. It is not improbable that fully one-third of the sites will eventually prove to be of high to intermediate temperature (i.e. $> 150^{\circ}$ C and $90^{\circ} - 150^{\circ}$ C) resources. Low temperature sites are also prominent, not only in number, but also in their distribution - each of Nevada's 17 counties has several such sites.

1.2 Area Scenarios and Postulated Site Development Schedule for First Electric and/or Direct Thermal Use Plants

Area scenarios have been developed for each of the twenty-six State Geothermal Areas. For each Area a Postulated Site Development Schedule has been constructed for the <u>first</u> electrical generating plant and/or the <u>first</u> direct thermal use plant (Table 1) to come on line. A total of 31 postulated Site Development Scenarios have been constructed (See Appendix 5 of DOE Report - ALO/3992-1).

Each Area scenario also includes a Composite Postulated Site

Development Schedule, which includes a listing of site (Resource Area)

names. Those Sites, which presently appear to have a reasonable chance

for commercial development by the year 2020, have been given a postulated

TABLE 1. List of Resource Areas for which there are Postulated Site Development Schedules for Each of Nevada's Geothermal Areas.

Resource Area Name	Utilization	State Geothermal Area	
The Needles Rocks	Electric	1	
Dyke Hot Springs	Electric	$\overline{2}$	
Cordero Mercury Mine	Electric	3	
Hot Sulphur Springs	Electric	4	
Humboldt Wells	Electric		
San Emidio Desert	Electric	6	
MacFairlane's	Electric	7'	
Rye Patch	Electric	8	
Golconda	Direct Thermal	1 9	٠.
Leach Hot Springs	Electric	10	
Battle Mountain	District Therm	na1 11	
Beowawe Geysers	Electric	12	
Darrough's Hot Springs	Electric	13	
Elko Hot Springs	Direct Thermal	1 13	
Sulphur Hot Springs	Electric	14	
Steamboat Spring-Huffaker	Electric	15	
	Direct Thermal	1 15	4 Î.,
Desert Peak	Electric	16	
Brady's Hot Springs	Direct Thermal	16	
Carson Sink-Alkali Flat,	Electric	17	
West Side		and the second of the second o	
Soda Lake-Upsal Hogback	Electric	18	
	Direct Thermal	18	
Dixie Hot Springs	Electric	19	
Wabuska Hot Springs	Electric	20	
	Direct Thermal	20	
Dead Horse Wells- Wedell Springs	Electric	21	
Sodaville Springs	Direct Thermal	22	
Fish Lake Valley	Electric	23	
Warm Springs	Electric	24	
Caliente Hot Springs	Direct Thermal	1 25	
Sarcobatus Falt-Beatty	Direct Thermal	1 26	

development schedule. The schedules are given in megawatts where

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utilization would be for electrical power generation, and in quads, where the heat resource would be used directly.

The postulated energy on line for each Site (and Area) is shown for a 30 year resource life to the year 2020: (1) in cumulative form for electrical generation, and (2) in useable reservoir energy for direct use evenly divided over reservoir life. The remaining Sites listed are largely unknown quantities at this time.

The power or energy postulated to be on line is based very largely on subjective judgements, since pertinent factual data is at best sketchy, and normally entirely lacking.

1.3 Scenario Summary and Conclusions

The Postulated Development Schedule for Nevada Geothermal Areas for Electric Power Generation (in MWe) and Direct Thermal Utilization (in Quads) is given in Appendix 5 of the DOE Report - ALO/3992-1. The prognosis for development to the year 2020 assumes development of the resource in each

Although this report gives numerical energy capacities to sites with specific names, it must be strongly emphasized that the technical criteria for competent estimations is almost entirely lacking. It is fully expected that many electric sites will be incapable of providing a single megawatt, while some, not yet recognized, will provide substantial power. The estimates are largely subjective judgements which are more credible in aggregate for the State than for each specific site.

one of the twenty-six Areas. Thirty-one scenarios covering these Areas include twenty-one for electric power generation and ten for direct thermal utilization.

The first electric plant may be a 20 MWe installation of Phillips

Petroleum Co. and Sierra Pacific Power Co. on private land. The scenario

shows a Commitment to Development in 1979, with power-on-line in 1982. For

the State as a whole power-on-line from 1985 to 2020 would be:

MWe	Year
195	1985
2,120	1990
5,030	1995
7,785	2000
10,120	2005
12,400	2010
14,095	2015
(14,240)	2020

The apparent slackening in energy use (or availability) as shown in Total MWe (from year 2116) and in Total Quads (from year 2005) is statistical in nature. For details, see Appendix 5 of DOE report - ALO/3992-1). Although the reservoirs are assumed to have a life of 30 years for these projections, in actuality they undoubtedly will be much longer. Further, newly developed reservoirs will provide additions not specifically taken into account here. Therefore, the highest best guess for electric, 14,240 MWE in year 2016 and for direct utilization, 0.618 Quads in year 2005, are somewhat conservative.

Direct Thermal utilization is presently grossly underdeveloped at all sites in Nevada. The ten scenarios are indicative of major expansions at presently used sites, plus initiation of direct thermal use in wholly new Resource Areas.

Geothermal Food Processors, Inc. received a DOE Guaranteed Loan in October 1977, and will be on line with their \$3 million food dehydration operation in September 1978. The prognosis for quads available at sites which may show major development between 1985 and 2020 are:

Quads Available	Year
0.144	1985
0.333	1990
0.461	1995
0.571	2000
0.618	2005
(0.618)	2010
(0.618)	2015
(0.618)	2020

The energy (in quads) available for commercial use at each site, is unlikely to be wholly utilized; nor is it assumed to be developed in the optimum or most efficient manner within the prescribed time frame.

1.4 Area and Site Evaluation Technique

The State of Nevada is divided into twenty-six geothermal areas, each area having a number of geothermal sites. The individual sites are by definition those localities where there are thermal springs, thermal well water, and/or geothermal leasing activity.

1.4.1 NEVADA GEOTHERMAL AREAS

Consideration has been given to geothermal site distribution, density, and character; topography, and land status, in outlining each of the twenty-six Areas. To the east and south where prospective sites are fewer and usually of low temperature, AMS sheet boundaries may, in part, form the boundaries of some Areas.

1.4.2 CIRCULAR 726

The resource assessment of thirty-nine high and intermediate temperature geothermal sites in Nevada was presented by the U. S. Geological Survey in Circular 726 (1975) and are shown in Table 2 and 3.

TABLE 2. Identified Nevada Hot-Water convection systems with indicated subsurface temperatures above 150°C (from USGS Circular 726).

Beowawe Hot Spring
Kyle Hot Spring
Leach Hot Spring
Hot Springs Ranch
Jersey Valley Hot Spring
Stillwater Area
Soda Lake
Brady Hot Spring
Steamboat Springs
Wabaska Hot Spring
Lee Hot Spring
Smith Creek Valley

These sites each have surface and subsurface temperatures. The subsurface temperatures are either, (1) measured reservoir, (2) silica geothermometer, or (3) Na-K-Ca geothermometer.

Normally each of the other sites will have a spring or well water temperature, but no geothermometer temperature. In order to make judgements or submit certain assumptions for planning purposes, temperatures, reservoir characteristics, and energy potentials had to be grossly

quantified for a total of 102 sites. This data is shown on the Hot-Water Convections Systems sheet for each Area scenario (See Appendix 5 of DOE Report - ALO/3992-1).

Based upon these semi-quantitative data, along with information on the Non-Technical Components section for each site, Postulated Site Development

TABLE 3. Identified Nevada hot-water convection systems with indicated subsurface temperatures from 90° to 150°C (from USGS Circular 726).

Bog Hot Spring Howard Hot Spring Dyke Hot Spring Near Soldier Meadow (Soldier Meadows Hot Springs) Double Hot Spring Double Hot Spring-Black Rock Hot Spring Fly Ranch Hot Spring Butte Spring (Trego) Mineral Hot Spring Hot Hole (Elko Hot Springs) Near Carlin (Carlin) Hot Sulphur Springs (Humboldt Wells) Hot Springs Point Walti Hot Springs Spencer Hot Spring Hot Pot Buffalo Valley Hot Spring Hot Springs (The Hot Springs) Golconda Hot Spring Sou or Gilberts Hot Springs Dixie Hot Spring The Needles (The Needles Rocks) Walleys Hot Spring Nevada Hot Spring (Hind's Hot Springs) Darrough Hot Spring Warm Springs Bartholomae Hot Spring (Klobe Hot Spring)

Schedules were constructed for the first electric power plant and/or the first significant direct thermal project for each Area.

The planner should be aware that the site scheduels suggested are not much more than best guesses for most of the sites. Only when deep exploratory

drilling has penetrated the reservoir at a site, should the planner begin to have confidence in a site specific resource assessment.

Too much dependence must not be put on specific site scenarios to gauge progress of the geothermal industry. Much more is unknown than is understood. For example, four years ago the Desert Peak and Rye Patch (or Humboldt House) geothermal sites of Phillips Petroleum Co., areas without thermal springs - were essentially "blind" prospects. Today these areas are probably the most explored (drilled) geothermal resource areas in Nevada, Brady's Hot Springs, with numerous exploratory test wells was a prime electrical power site just a short time ago. But today there is under construction, a major food dehydration plant (on-line in September 1978) backed by a \$3 million DOE Loan Guaranty.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR STIMULATING THE LETHARGIC DEVELOPMENT OF GEOTHERMAL ENERGY IN THE STATE OF NEVADA

The foremost barrier to the development of geothermal resources in the State of Nevada is the fact that 86 percent of the lands are under Federal jurisdiction. There is an insignificant amount of State lands to lease; and diligent, workmanlike development on fee lands creates no problems with the private land owner who also holds the original geothermal rights.

Geothermal energy development needs stimulation in several areas simply because it is presently a poor investment in comparison to other energy sources such as oil, gas, coal, and uranium. In order to improve the present status of the geothermal energy industry, within this state, it will be necessary to pay more attention to factors which adversely affect the rate of return of those companies that are undertaking its development. Geothermal energy is in direct competition for investment dollars with the established, energy industries, yet the Federal government has not seen fit to create a fair and equitable environment for it to grow.

Development within the industry is really a long-term educational process of gaining an understanding of the geothermal reservoir, which has little or no similarities to oil or gas reservoirs, or a mineral deposit. The overall tendency of the Federal regulatory and taxing agencies, as well as Congress, is to assume that:

- (1) The geothermal industry can be treated as one that is robust and mature; and a rather attractive investment for venture capital, and
- (2) Everything that could possibly have a detrimental effect on the environment and indirectly, on the "consumer," will be done - - and led by the "big oil and coal companies."

The Institutional Barrier Panel to the Geothermal Advisory Council has reported on institutional and legal barriers to geothermal energy development,

along with many other committees, commissions, and boards for the past several years. Despite continued efforts from within DOE/DGE, industry, and other concerned and knowledgeable parties, who strive to make improvements, the policy and law makers in Washington, D.C. have not remedied the situation - - despite our Nation's growing concern for new energy supplies and conservation.

Positive advancement of geothermal energy development in Nevada can be achieved if provision is made for:

- (1) Amendments to the Federal tax code for the, (a) expensing of intangible drilling costs, and (b) percentage depletion.
- (2) Abolishment of KGRA's.
- (3) Set time limits or timeframes (through administrative directive and/or regulations) for issuance of leases and permits.
- (4) Improve uniformity and consistency of policies and procedures with respect to lease stipulations among the involved agencies. Provide for equal representation of the involved Federal agencies, the Western States, industry, and environmentalists on high-level boards which make policy for the stipulations.
- (5) Improvement of the ponderous and time consuming methods of handling the "necessary" paperwork of BLM and USGS Conservation Division from the time lag of leasing through development.
- (6) Initiation of a Federal investment tax credit for the developer.
- (7) Increasing the total allowable Federal lease acreage a company or individual may hold in a single state from 20,480 to 51,200 acres.
- (8) The continuation of the DOE/DGE Case History Program at a higher funding level.
- (9) Continue the present DOE/DGE Loan Guaranty Program.
- (10) Abolishment of taxation of non-productive leases by the State of Nevada.

3.0 LEASING ACTIVITY

Eighty-six (86) percent of the land in Nevada is Federally administered.

Less than 2 per cent is State land. One-half of the remaining 12 percent is private land, of which is owned by the Southern Pacific Railroad.

3.1 Federal Land

Natural Resource or Public Domain land is administered by the Bureau of Land Management. It has leases totaling 881,971 acres (to February 1, 1978).

3.1.1 KGRAS

Of the total Federal acreage under lease, 152,662 acres were sold in 15 KGRA sales. to date, 23 of the 30 KGRAs in the state have been offered in public sales. A total of seventy-nine leases were sold for an average of 1,930 acres per lease.

3.1.2 NON-KGRAs

The 729,309 acres of Non-KGRA Federal leases (to February 1, 1978) is a poor gauge (i.e. low) as to geothermal potential and industry interest. The average application is approximately three (3) sections (1920 acres). There have been 1374 applications by over 150 different applicants since 1974, for an estimated 2,638,000 gross acres (to September 30, 1977). Included in this are several 100,000 acres of lease applications pending.

3.2 State Land

Less than 2 percent of Nevada is State owned land and therefore participation and interest has been low until very recently. The rapid change is due to the anticipated large scale commercial processing and electrical power generation which is nearing reality, just 60 miles from Reno at Brady's Hot Springs and Desert Peak.

3.3 Private Lands

An estimated 12 percent of the land in Nevada is privately owned. A large proportion of this land is leased and/or presently being evaluated. One half of the 12 percent private acreage is owned by the Southern Pacific Railroad, and being evaluated by an experienced operator, Phillips Petroleum Company, with offices in Reno. It is a reasonable estimate at this stage of the Southwest Regional Project, that 6 percent of the remaining private acreage which is held under lease by developers, is difficult to come by. Large percentages of this land is held by developers in the northern and western portions of Nevada, where the resource potential is very large.

4.0 NEVADA DRILLING ACTIVITY

Temperature gradient holes continue to be drilled on Private Lands, and such activities are not recorded with Federal and State Agencies.

Phillips Petroleum Company has submitted a Plan of Operation to drill six (6) geothermal test wells to a depth of 2438 meters (8,000 ft.) on Federal leases in the Rye Patch Reservoir area, Pershing County, Nevada. Included is a handout (Appendix C), data sheet on Phillips Petroleum Campbell E-1, geothermal well at Humboldt House (i.e., the Rye Patch site).

Exploratory drilling in Nevada to date amounts to 64 tests by private companies for the express purpose of developing the energy resource for electrical power generation. All of the drilling has been done on private lands. No deep tests have been on Federal lands, due to institutional barriers.

4.1 Production Wells

There are no wells now on production, but there are numerous wells which have the capability of providing sustained energy for electric power production, commercial processing, and other even lower temperature uses. These wells are included with the wells listed in the (Appendix D) Exploratory Geothermal Drilling in Nevada, a Publication of the Nevada Bureau of Mines and Geology.

There are many other thermal wells, <u>not presently listed</u> which are currently providing (or capable of providing) energy for commercial processing, space and recreational heating in many sections of the State.

4.2 Injection Wells

There is no present need for injection wells, but a number of the exploratory wells listed in Appendix D will undoubtedly be used for such purposes in the not too distant future.

4.3 Temperature Gradient Holes

As with the 64 Exploratory tests referred to above, most of the slim-hole temperature gradient holes have been drilled on private lands. Under these circumstances recordation of such activities is not made with federal or state agencies, and as such is not readily known. Even so, Bureau of Land Management has recorded 67 separate Notices of Intent to carry out temperature gradient surveys (Appendix E). Temperature gradient holes drilled on private lands are estimated to be in the thousands.

4.4 Exploration

Exploration in Nevada is at a high level considering the formidable institutional barriers holding up private development. Notices of Intent (Appendix E) show a serious effort on the part of industry in geophysical techniques as well as drilling. Further, the 1976-1977 Status Report for the Reno Geothermal District of the USGS shows a formidable amount of drilling for this recent period (Appendix F). The anticipated increase in deep tests is startling. At least 25 private, government and educational entities have filed such Notice.

"Casual" exploratory efforts such as geologic mapping and geochemical sampling of spring and well waters are not required to be recorded.

5.0 ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT RECORD (EAR)

Presently our research program is involved with the investigation of Environmental Assessment Records (EAR) for Nevada, as prepared by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM). These reports have been drafted in response to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969. This Act addresses all Federal agencies to use a systematic, interdisciplinary approach in the decision-making which will affect man's environment. Both the natural and social sciences are integrated in these studies.

The EAR's are prepared in varying detail according to the anticipated impact of the decision on the environment. Therefore, we have found differences in the degree of analysis throughout the 20 (Appendix G) different EAR's received from BLM. Each EAR represents studies prepared for the separate Planning Units, Planning Areas and or Resource Areas which are found within the different BLM districts (Appendices H, I, and J).

5.1 EAR's Relationship to Project

The EAR has Several Purposes:

- 1. The major purpose is to make a recommendation, whether an Environmental Statement is necessary (ES).
- 2. As an aid in assuring consideration of environmental values at all Bureau levels of planning and decision-making.
- 3. And as a vehicle for recommending the most effective mitigating measures which can be used by the decision-maker to reduce adverse impacts.

It is the third purpose which is related to our current research into leasing patterns and trends.

Since most of the recommendations referring to leasable Federal Lands were defined in legal descriptions, we plotted the data on overlays for the 18 different AMS Quadrangles which cover the State of Nevada.

The compilation procedure is producing a graphic picture of the various environmental measures affecting the availability of Federal Lands for leasing.

No one has ever compiled this unique information in a graphic form using a State-wide or Regional format.

When these overlays are used in conjunction with our previously compiled leasing and drilling data, interesting patterns develop. Some areas of potential geothermal development show large blocks of land with various environmental stipulations. Another pattern in one of the most potential areas of Nevada, the Black Rock Desert, delineates sizeable areas which have been excluded from leasing, pending additional environmental studies, while a considerable number of geothermal lease applications are waiting for a final land use decision.

5.2 Progress To Date

The mitigating measures recommended in the EAR as to which lands are to be excluded from leasing, and which lands may be leaseable with particular stipulations, most certainly qualifies for inclusion, the Institutional factors which are being considered in the geothermal development programs. These recommendations can influence, as well as alter decisions, such as, leasing, exploration, development, financing, plant sites, power line corridors, and others.

This environmental data, along with the above mentioned leasing and drilling compilations, can be easily included in our Data Base System (RPPM) and is comparable with other retrievable information now in the data base storage.

5.3 Criteria Used to Evaluate Data from EAR's for Delineation and Compilation - Phase IV

The first step towards defining the criteria to be used, was to prepare a list of all the possible components described in the suggested or recommended stipulations for each EAR. Some of the various elements are: sage

grouse, bighorn sheep, Historic Places, archeological sites, withdrawn areas, and so on. Each component was given a number so delineated areas on the map could be identified. (Appendix K)

The second step was to establish an "intensity guide." This is the identification of KEY WORDS used to describe an area as to the recommended stipulations. Some of the KEY WORDS are:

critical

prime

detrimental

hazardous

multiple use

extremely

extinction

withdrawn

site-by-site

proposed

unique

endangered

excluded or exclusion from

Next, an explanation was developed so the two previous steps would have a framework in which they could be applied.

Two categories were defined:

- I. Lands Excluded from Leasing
- II. Leasing with restrictions

Each of these categories was then sub-divided into two (2) groups each (Appendix L).

I. Lands Excluded from Leasing

a) No Leasing: (Solid lined areas colored red with either an encircled component number, or component number without a circle.)

This entire group is composed of selected areas where NO LEASING IS PERMITTED.

The determination as to whether the element number will be encircled or not is a judgement based on the intensity of the described lands <u>AND</u> the types of, and, number of elements for the described area. All of these areas will be described in EAR's as:

"Land Recommended to be Excluded from Leasing"
An Example:

Certain archaeological sites may be recommended for exclusion from leasing, but will not be described as <u>intense</u> areas of recommendation. So, these areas will appear as red areas, outlined with a solid line and have the element number, 21 within its boundary; or, an area designated as a Historical Place which has the qualification or has been proposed for the National Register of Historical Places will be identified with an encircled 23 and be colored red.

But, if the archaeological site is identified as an EXTREMELY VALUABLE site, then the number 21 will be encircled; likewise, if the historic Place is ALREADY on the National Register of Historic Places it will be shown or identified with the number 22 which will be encircled. It is almost certain that no future leasing will be allowed in these areas. (Virginia City is an example of both).

The point here is the application of the KEY WORDS and the text.

The Pine-Nut Walker EAR is a fine example of NO Leasing recommendations with KEY WORDS.

b) No Leasing-Pending: (Solid lined areas colored yellow with or without component numbers).

These areas have been identified as lands where there is

PRESENTLY no leasing being permitted pending additional envirnmental studies. No land use decisions or project impacts upon the area can be or will be determined before these reports are completed.

It is possible these lands will be available for leasing in the near future, or perhaps, be permanently excluded from leasing.

The key for this group is:

"Pending additional environmental studies"

or

"Site-by-Site Study as leasing is proposed"

II. Leasing-With Restrictions

a) Non-Critical: (Dashed lined areas colored blue with associated component number).

This group includes lands subjected to the additional stipulations of restricted seasonal entry, as well as those stipulations already contained in the Geothermal Resource Lease, Sections 14, 18, and 19.

The key here is the ABSENCE of such key works as Critical.

b) Critical: (Dashed lined areas colored orange with a component number).

These lands are also subject to the regular stipulations found in the Geothermal lease, but have had <u>ADDITIONAL</u> stipulations placed upon the lessee.

All of these lands are defined as <u>CRITICAL</u> areas and will have special stipulations, such as:

no surface entry
no surface water use
site-by-site consideration
"prior to . . ."
seasonal constraints (associated with
critical habitat area)
buffer zones
siting improvements
equipment limitations
special reclamation techniques

The key to this group is the application of such words as "critical, endangered, natural areas," and so on.

Tonopah EAR is a fine example of the special stipulation.

Note: In each designated area, more than one element number may

be applicable.

6.0 SPECIAL RESEARCH PROJECT: STUDY OF NEVADA STATE GEOTHERMAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

The professional services of Allan Buchanan were obtained to assist the Nevada State Team in a special research study into the State geothermal rules and regulations. Mr. Buchanan, who specializes in the energy field, holds a Public Intern position with the Nevada Department of Energy.

This on-going project details any and all rules and regulations on the State, county and municipality level which are of a direct concern to the development of geothermal energy. While conducting numerous personal interviews, in both the public and private sector, emphasis was directed at: possible legal and institutional constraints, case histories and experiences pertaining to direct thermal uses, and opportunities for development.

Numerous specific questions posed by the Core Team were also answered as a result of this study.

7.0 U. S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY - MENLO PARK

A two day series of conferences with the U. S. Geological Survey at Menlo Park, California was initiated by members of the Nevada State Team in February 1978. This visist proved to be a very useful and productive one for the Team.

The meetings were held with personnel from the divisions of Conservation, Water Resources and Geology. Included in the discussions and data received, were the following:

- (1) Geothermal Leasing Procedures
- (2) KGRA classification and evaluations
- (3) Geothermometry
- (4) Low and High Temperature research work
- (5) Water Resource data
- (6) Circular 726

The USGS continues to be a valuable source of information and referral for the Nevada State Team.

8.0 REGIONAL PLANNING WORKSHOP/APRIL 26, 1978

The Southwest Regional Geothermal Development Operations Research
Project, due to a organizational change in DOE/DGE, has recently come under
the Rocky Mountain/Basin and Range Region.

The Nevada State OR Team was represented at the planning workshop in Salt Lake City, on April 26, conducted by personnel from DGE Headquarters, DOE Idaho Operations (ID), DGE Nevada operations, U. S. Geological Survey, EG&G Idaho, Inc. (the prime contractor to ID), and the Earth Science Laboratory of the University of Utah Research Institute.

Detailed short-and long-term planning activities included all aspects of stimulation of geothermal energy development from resource definition through utilization, encompassing presently existing programs as well as new programs.

Presentations by State Teams addressed the following topics (Summary of Nevada State Team presentation, Appendix M):

- (1) Location and nature of known geothermal sites with emphasis on the best sites in terms of development of electrical generating capacity or direct heat uses.
- (2) Potential for further resource discovery.
- (3) OR data generated to date and its applications.
- (4) Recommendations for future DGE programs and initiatives.

9.0 REGIONAL PLANNING WORKSHOP/JUNE 28, 1978

A second regional planning workshop was held in Salt Lake City on June 28 to review and comment on the DOE/DGE Draft Regional Hydrothermal Development Plan for the Rocky Mountain/Basin and Range Region. Representatives of industry also participated.

10.0 GEOTHERMAL STREAMLINING TASK FORCE WORKSHOP/JUNE 28 and 29, 1978

The Interagency Geothermal Streamlining Task Force held a meeting open to the public in Salt Lake City on June 28 and 29, in order to assist the Interagency Geothermal Coordinating Council (IGCC) in carrying out its mandate:

"for assessing legal, -environmental, regulatory, and other aspects of Federal, State, and Local government policy as they relate to geothermal energy and for developing recommendations for changes and improvements in related laws, policies and procedures, and for examination of other institutional aspects of geothermal energy, including non-governmental aspects."

Specifically, the Task Force is to develop recommendations to IGCC for appropriate action to implement the President's commitment to Congress that:

"The Department of the Interior and Agriculture will streamline leasing and environmental review procedures to remove barriers to development to geothermal resources."

The commitment was prompted by the fact that although the Geothermal Steam Act was passed nearly seven and one-half years ago, there is still no commercial production of this resource on Federal lands.

It is widely known that the cumbersome Federal leasing and permitting program constitutes a major deterrent to timely development. As long as the inhibiting influence of the regulatory program clouds the rate of development on Federal lands, the effects of other impediments cannot be fully and accurately assessed.

The Geothermal Streamlining Task Force has undertaken a study which includes (1) a comprehensive analysis of the elements of the present program designed to identify the sources of delay and quantify delays which are actually occurring; and (2) to determine the potential effects upon program performance of a series of options for program modification. The effectiveness of alternative options will be assessed in terms of their relative ability to support the Department of Energy's projected geothermal power-on-line schedule while adequately protecting the public interest and the environment.

The study will also incorporate input provided by the public, industry, environmental groups, and state agency officials through a series of workshops held in the western states in June.

The Salt Lake City workshop was one such meeting which reviewed and commented on the series of options developed by the Task Force, for modifying the geothermal leasing and permitting program. In addition, discussion groups formally presented suggestions for additional alternatives.

11.0 GEOTHERMAL RESERVOIR CASE STUDY, NORTHERN BASIN AND RANGE PROVINCE

The Nevada Operations Office of DOE on March 31, 1978 solicited a proposal to provide data not now publicly available and from within the northern portion of the physiographic region known as the Basin and Range province (Figure 1.). More specifically, the area of interest is the high heat flow anomaly known as the Battle Mountain Heat Flow High, the approximate boundaries of which are depicted in Figure 2.

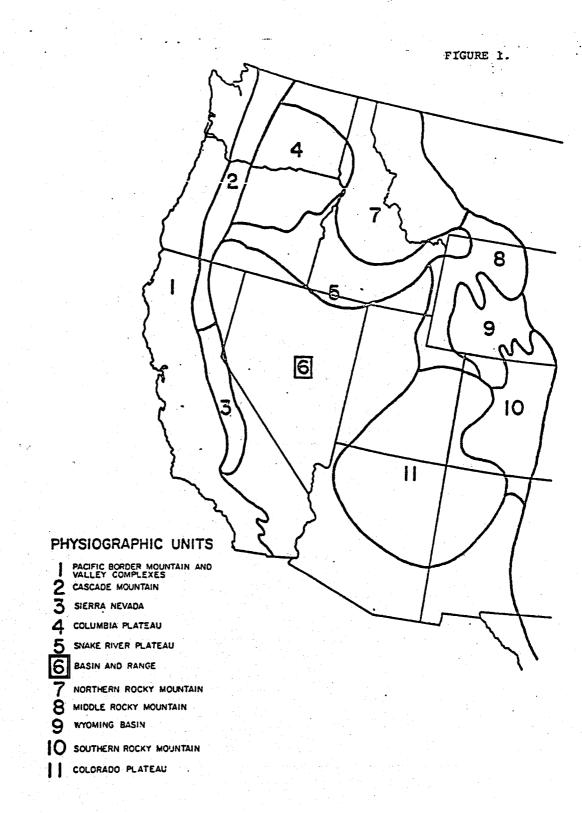
The great portion of the State of Nevada's most prospective geothermal sites are included in the subject of this RFP. The program will make available to the public this data which DOE acquires from successful proposers.

The proposers may:

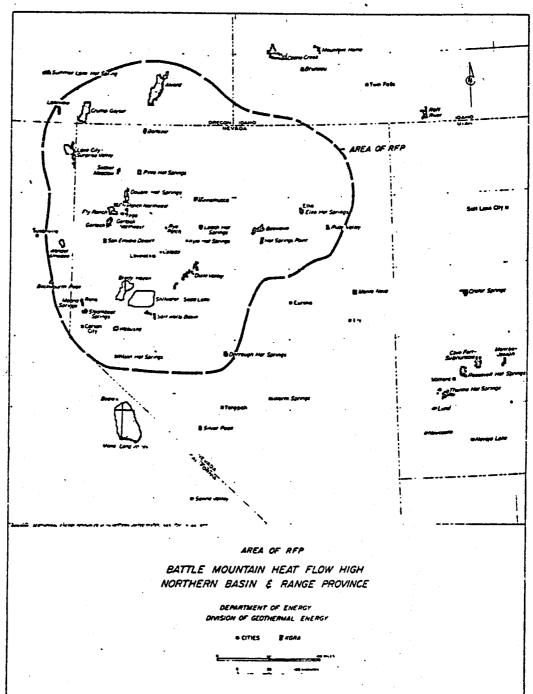
- (1) Perform an investigation and offer new geological data, geothermal reservoir data, and/or reservoir engineering studies.
- (2) Offer existing data of the above type obtained from prior investigations.
- (3) Offer any combination of (1) and (2).

The objectives of this case study is to further the development of commercial geothermal energy by accumulating and publishing for use by industry and the public at large case history information on geothermal reservoirs in order to stimulate exploratory drilling as well as to reduce the risk and cost of exploration and reservoir assessment and the uncertainties of reservoir engineering.

In order to obtain a greater range of data applicable to the evaluation of a geothermal resource, it is anticipated that several of the proposals received will be selected for awards. DOE has allocated approximately \$1,300,000 to be used for contracts resulting from this RFP during fiscal year 1978. Additional funding is anticipated to be approximately \$8 million, and expected to be made available during FY 1979 subject to appropriation by Congress.







Closing date for proposals was May 30. Final selection of winning proposals should be complete by Mid-July, with contract negotiated to be complete by the end of August to late September.

12.0 GEOTHERMAL LOAN GUARANTY PROGRAM-BRADY'S HOT SPRINGS

The Nevada Team contacted Mr. Allen Craigmiles, Vice President of Nevada National Bank, and one of the State Advisors, for information concerning the Geothermal Guaranty Loan Program. Nevada National Bank is the lender for the new direct-geothermal use food processing plant at Brady's Hot Springs.

APPENDIX A

NEVADA STATE TEAM ORGANIZATION

The Nevada State Team Leader, G. Martin Booth III, was selected by the Nevada Department of Energy in conjunction with the Nevada Bureau of Mines and Geology, University of Nevada-Reno, to head the Nevada State team.

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The New Mexico Energy Institute at New Mexico State University proposed to perform regional operations research in the development of geothermal energy resources for the Division of Geothermal Energy, U. S. Energy Research and Development Administration, and the Four Corners Regional Commission.

An Agreement was entered into in October 1977, between the Nevada Department of Energy and Nevada Bureau of Mines and Geology, University of Nevada-Reno, the latter being contracted to perform the Geothermal research activities necessary under the Subject of the sub-contract which Nevada DOE had executed with the Regents of New Mexico State University; Sub-Contract 3104-X6.

APPENDIX B

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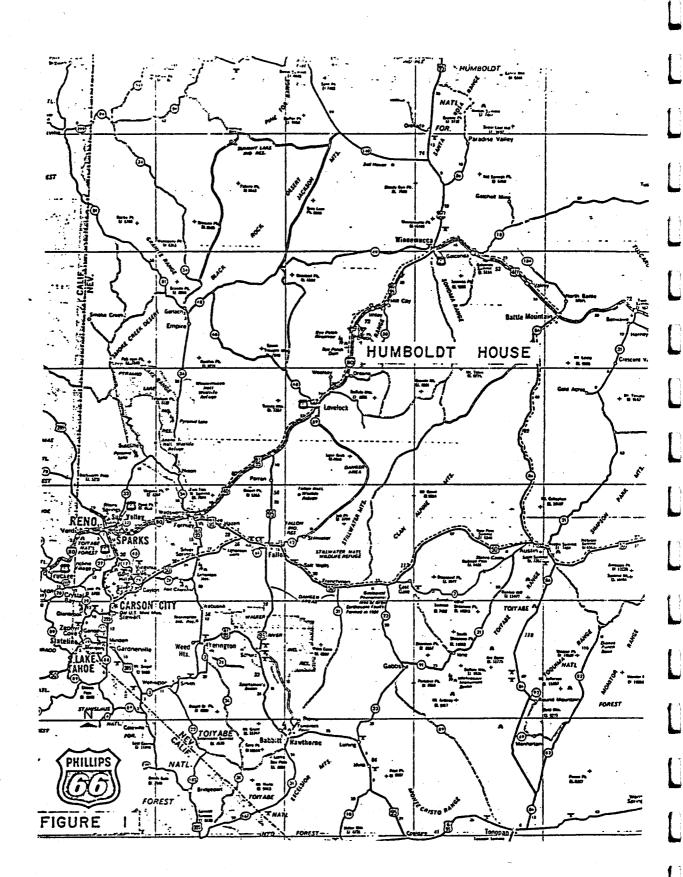
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APPENDIX C

HUMBOLDT HOUSE DATA SHEET



HUMBOLDT HOUSE

The Humboldt House geothermal prospect is located in Pershing County, Nevada along highway I-80 about halfway between lovelock and Winnemucca (Figure 1). The geothermal prospect is mostly within the Humboldt River Valley graben which is situated between fault blocks of the Humboldt Range on the east, the Eugene Mountains on the north, the Antelope Range on the west and the Trinity Mountains on the southwest.

In December 1977, Phillips Petroleum Company completed the Campbell E-1 geothermal well. This well was completed at 1835 feet due to severe lost circulation problems in middle Triassic carbonate rocks. The relatively impermeable Tertiary valley fill appears to act as a caprock. It is possible that the finely clastic Grass Valley Formation could also act as a caprock. Geothermal fluids can only enter the Campbell E-1 well in the lowest 82 feet of borehole which is uncased.

These fluids reach the well head as hot water with total dissolved solids of 4500 ppm. This hot water flashes to steam which would be used to generate electricity. Initial tests indicate that the steam from this well is capable of producing about seven megawatts of electricity. If this test and future tests are encouraging, additional wells will be drilled. Power would then be generated by a utility company and presumably fed directly into the transmission line just east of the well head.

Seven megawatts of electricity is enough electricity to supply approximately 7,000 people with power. The total population of Winnemucca and Lovelock, the two largest towns in the Humboldt area, is approximately seven to ten thousand people.

HUMBOLDT HOUSE CHRONOLOGY

October 24, 1973	Entered into Exploration and Option Agreement with Southern Pacific Land Company covering Southern Pacific lands in Nevada, California and Utah.
January 14, 1975	Commenced drilling shallow temperature-gradient holes.
May 14, 1976	Commenced drilling 5 stratigraphic tests to 2000' for temperature and geologic information
March 8, 1977	Completed drilling stratigraphic tests.
November 3, 1977	Commenced drilling Campbell E-1.
December 9, 1977	Completed drilling Campbell E-1.

APPENDIX D

Exploratory Geothermal Drilling in Nevada

Updates and corrects Table 1 of Nevada Bureau of Mines and Geology

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Geothermal Exploration and Development in Nevada through 1973.

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Magma Power Co.	Brady No. 2	27-001-90001	NE/4, NE/4, SN/4, S12, T22N, R26E	241'	1959?	330	
Magma Power Co.	Brady No. 3	27-001-90002	SE/4,SE/4,NW/4,S12,T22N,R26F	610'	1961?	335	
Magna Power Co.	Brady No. 4	27-001-90003	SF/4,SE/4,NW/4,S12,T22N,R26E	. 723'	1961?	•	
Magma Power Co.	Brady No. 5	27-001-90064	1M/4,SW/4,NE/4,S12,T22N,R26E	593'	1961?		
Hagma Power Co.	Brady No. 6	27-001-90005	NW/4,SW/4,NE/4,S12,T22N,R26E	770' .	?		
Magma Power Co.	Brady No. 7	27-001-90006	NW/4,SW/4,NE/4,S12,T22N,R26E	250	?		
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Earth Energy Inc.	Brady Prcs. No. 1	27-001-90008	S12?,T22N,R26E	1758'?	1965?	355	
Union Oil Co. of Calif	SP-Brady's No. 1	27-001-90010	NE/4,SW/4,SE/4,S1,T22N,R26E	7275'	1974	371	
Magma Energy Inc.	SP-Brady No. 2	27-001-90013	NE/4,NW/4,SE/4,S1,T22N;R26E	4446.	1975		
Magma Energy Inc.	SP-Brady No. 8	27-001-90014	NE/4,SE/4,NM/4,S12,T22N,R26E	34691	1975		
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Union Oil Co.	Weishaupt No. 1	27-001-90009	Lot 2, S6,T19N,R3LE	4000'±	1976		
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Oxy Geothermal Inc.	Federal No. 72-33(K)	27-001-90021	NW/4,NW/4,S34,T16N,R29E		1978		

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(Eureka County)

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	Marma Power Co.	Beowawe No. 2		NW/4?,NW/4,S17,T31N,R48E	715' 19597	
	Vulcan Thermal Power Co	Vulcan No. 1	27-011-90002	NN/4,SE/4,SW/4,NW/4,S17,T31N,R48E	638' 1961	414.
	Vulcan Thermal Power Co.	Vulcan No. 2	27-011-90003	NE/4,SE/4,SW/4,NW/4,917,T31N,R48E	655! _1961	407
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	Vulcan Thermal Power Co.	Vulcan No. 4	27-011-90005			410
	Vulcan Thermal Power Co.	- Vulcan No. 5	27-011-90006	,S17,T31N,R48E	237' 1963?	
	Vulcan Thermal Power Co.	Vulcan No. 6		NW/4,SW/4,NE/4,S17,T31N,R48E	4781 1963	282
	Sierra Pacific Power Co	Sierra No. 1		C, NW/4, SF/4, SW/4, S17, T31N, R48E	927' 1964?	
	Sierra Pacific Power Co.	Sierra No. 2		C,NF/4,SW/4,S17,T31N,R48E	418' 1964	
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	Sierra Pacific Power Co.	Sierra No. 4	27-011-90011		1005' 1964?	240
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iind's Hot Springs U.S. Steel Corp. U.S. Steel Corp. U.S. Steel Corp.	Hind's No. 1 (?) Hind's No. 2 (?) Hind's No. 3 (?)	27-019-90007	SW/4,SE/4,S16,T12N,R23E SW/4,SE/4,S16,T12N,R23E SW/4,SE/4,S16,T12N,R23E	? ? ?	1962? 1962? 1962?	150
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arrough Hot Springs Magna Power Co.	Darrough No. 1 (?)	27-023-90000	S177,T11N,R43E	812'	1962	265
(Pershing County)						
Humboldt (Rye Patch) Phillips Petroleum Co.	Campbell E No. 1	27-027-90000	SF/4,S21,T31N,R33E	18531	1977	325

27-033-90000 S247.T21N.R63E

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Elko Dis	strict - Nevada					
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4/1/74	Chevron Oil	5/1/74-12/1/74		Whirlwind Valley W. end Crescent Valley Delcer Buttes, Lone Mtn.	Resistivity Survey	25
6/20/74	U.S.Geol. Survey	7/1/74-9/1/74		Crescent Valley E. &W.	Temperature grad.	35
8/3/74	U.S.Geol. Survey	8/1/74-8/1/76		White Mtns	Temperature grad.	38
7/24/74	Chevron Oil	8/1/74-12/15/74	4/23/75	Crescent Valley	10 Temp. gr. downhole	36
11/14/74	Union Oil	12/1/74-2/20/75		Ruby Valley	2 temp. grad.	G-1
1/31/75	U.S.Geol. Survey	3/1/75-12/1/75		Swalo Mtn	Temp. grad.	G-2
3/6/75	Chevron Oil Co.		10/6/75	Crescent Valley	Gravity	G-3
8/11/75	Phillips		9/4/75	Crescent Valley Pine Valley	11 temp. grad. hole	G-4
9/11/75	U.S.Geol. Survey	9/10/75		Elko KGRA	Electromag-Gravity Survey	G-5
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3/30/76	Chevron 011	3/30/76	9/23/76	Crescent Valley	Surface Resistivity Survey	G-9
4/22/76	Chevron 011	4/22/76	9/23/76	Crescent Valley	Magneto-tellurie	G-10
6/17/76	U.S.Geol. Survey	6/17/76		Ruby Valley	Magneto-tellurie	T3~01
8/20/76	Chevron 011	9/1/76-9/1/77	8/4/77	Battle Mtn.	Temperature Grad.	TO-02
8/26/76	Dow Chemical	9/1/75-9/1/77	1/12/77	Crescent Valley Whirlwind Valley	Resistivity Survey	TO-03
4/24/76	Union 011	4/1/76-10/31/77		Ruby Valley	Temperature Grad.	
9/23/76	U.S.Geol. Survey	10/13/76		Whirlwind Rosewood Area	Temperature Grad.	
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	Chevron	10/13/76-10/1/77	8/4/77	& Vicinity	Temperature Grad.	
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12/6/77	Phillips	12/6/76-12/1/77		Creek	Temperature	77-03
4/4/77	U.S.Geol. Survey	6/1/77-6/1/78		Elko District	Gemperature Grad.	77-04
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	Phillips	2/15/74-7/15/74	11/22/74	T 41-45 N 30-32 C	Temp. Grad. Hole	N2-4-74
2	Phillips	4/1/ 74-3/30/74	10/3/74	Pinto Mountains	Temp. Grad. Hole Seismic Survey	N2-5-74
3	Phillips	2/1/74-3/15/74	5/22/74	Gradys Hot Spring	Temp. Grad. Hole	112-6-74
4	Phillips	3/1/74-7/1/74	7/24/74	San Emidio Desert	Temp. Grad. Hole	N2-7-74
5	Chevron	4/22/74-8/1/74	11/21/74	Northern Dixie Valley	Rlectric Resistivity Survey	N2-3-74
6	(AEC) ERDA	7/1/74-12/31/76		Buffalo Valley	Geophysical Survey	N2-14-74
7	(AEC) ERDA	4/15/74-12/31/76		Kyle Hot Springs	Geophysical Survey	N2-15-74
8	(AEC) ERDA	4/15/74-12/31/76	•	Leach Hot Springs	Geophysical Survey	N2-16-74
9	Chevron	6/1/74-12/1/74	11/21/74	(Gerlach Area) Alkali Flat	Electric Resistivity Survey	N2-18-74
10	Chevron	5/1/74-12/1/74	11/21/74	Leach Area	Electric Resistivity Survey	N2-19-74
11	Al-Aquitane	5/1/74-7/1/74	6/17/74	San Emidio Desert	Gravity & Survey	N2-20-74
12	U.S.Geol. Survey	8/1/74-8/1/76		Blue Wing Planning Unit	Temp. Grad. Hole	N2-22-74
13	Phillips	7/15/74-10/15/75	10/16/75	Rye Patch Northern Buena Vista Valley	Temp. Grad. Hole	N2-28-74
14	Chevron	9/1/74-2/15/75	4/14/75	San Emidio Desert	Temp. Grad. Hole	N2+29-74
15	Union	10/7/74-12/4/74	1/20/75	Rye Patch	Thermal Probe	N2-35-74
16	U.S.G.S.	7/3/74-7/8/76		T38N,R33E T39N,R38E	Temperature Honitoring well	SLUP N2-22-74
17	v.s.g.s.	3/15/74-3/15/75	7/3/74	Denio	Temperature Monitoring well	SLUP N2-1-74
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18	U.S.G.S.	12/13/73-12/12/74	0.120.126		Geophysical Survey and Test Hole	N2-6-75
19	Colo. School Mines	5/74-12/31/75	2/29/76 8/21/75	Gerlach Area Northern Dixie Valley	Temp. Grad.	N2-7-75
20	Sum Oil Co.	1/75-6/75				N2=7-75
21	Sun Oil Co.	1/75-6/75 3/7/75-11/1/75	8/21/75 10/6/75	Northern Dirie Valley Gerlach Area	Temp. Grad. Hole Temp. Grad. Hole	N2-12-75
22 23	Phillips Chevron	4/1/75-12/31/75	5/27/75	Leach Hot Springs	Electric Resistivity Survey	N2-13-75
24	Sun Oil Co.	4/20/75-6/1/75	6/3/75	Northern	Electric Resistivity	N2-15-75
				Smoke Creek Desert	Gravity Survey	1.
25	Chevron	5/1/75-12/31/75	3/26/76	San Emidio Desert Northern	Gravity Survey Research	N2-16-75
26	S. Union Prod.	5/15/75-7/15/76	12/9/76	Northern	Evaluation Research	N2-17-75 N2-18-75
27	S. Union Prod.	5/15/75-7/15/75	12/9/76	Black Peak Desert	Evaluation	
28	S. Union Prod.	5/17/75-5/17/77		Brady Area	Temp. Grad. Hole	N2-19-75
29	Chevron 011	5/23/75-12/31/75	10/6/75	Gerlach-	Resistivity Survey	N2-22-75
30	Chevron 011	7/1/75-12/31/85	3/26/76	Gerlach-	Gravity Survey	N2-23-75

Winnemucca District - Nevada (Continued)

	Winnemucca District - 1	Nevada (Continued)				
	Company Name	NOI Period of Exploration	Notice of Completion	Location	Type of Work	D/O #
31	U.S.Geol. Survey	6/9/75-6/9/77		Leach Hot Springs	Shallow Test Holes	N2-24-75
32	Phillips	6/75-11/75	10/16/75	Pumpernickel Valley Not Springs Ranch	Temp. Grad. Hole	N2-25-75
33	Hunt 011	8/75-10/75	11/26/75	Black Peak Desert	Electric Resistivity Survey	N2-3-76
34	Union Oil (La)	9/15/75-10/31/75	11/75	Black Peak Desert	Thermal Probe Holes	N2-5-76
35	Sun Oil (Dallas)	9/1/75-1/1/76	2/9/76	Black Peak Descrt	Electric Resistivity	N2-6-76
36	U.S.Geol. Survey	9/23/75-10/20/75	11/7/75	San Emidio Desert	Audio-magneto & Tellurie Survey	N2-10-76
				Pumpernicke, Jersey & Buffalo Valleys	Surveys	N2-13-76
37	S. Union Prod.	11/18/75-10/31/76	10/27/76	Desert Areas	Surveys	N2-14-76
38	S. Union Prod	-10/31/76	10/27/76	Gerlack - Black Rock		
39	Phillips	3/1/76-3/1/77	3/11/77	Rye Patch	Cancelled	N2-17-76
40	Chevron	3/19/76-9/15/76	1/27/77	Leach Hot Springs	Temp. Grad. Hole Thermal Probe	N2-18-76
41	Union Oil	7/19/76-9/30/76	11/22/76	Sulphur Area	Hole Surface Survey	N2-20=76
42	Colorado Sch. Mines	3/30/76-12/31/76	-	Gerlach-Hualapai	& Mapping Electric	N2-22-76
43	Chevron 011 Co.	6/1/76-9/30/76	6/76	SAn Emidio Desert	Resistivity Survey Seismic Resistivity	N2-24-76
44	Chevron Oil Co.	7/1/76-10/30/76	9/24/76	San Emidio Desert	Survey Audio Magneto	N2-27-76
45	U.S.Geol. Survey	6/27/76-7/31/76	11/11/76	Pinto KGRA	Tellurie Survey Audio Magneto	N2-28-76
46	U.S. Geo. Survey	6/27/76-7/31/76	11/11/76	Rye Patch KGRA	Tellurie Survey	N2-28-76
47	Chevron	9/2/76-12/15/76		Kyle Hot Springs	Temp. Grad. Hole	N2-30-76
48	Hunt Energy			Sulpherania	Temp. Grad. Hole	N2-31-76
49	U.S.Geol. Survey	8/4/76/-8/8/76	11/11/76	Pinto KGRA	Gravity Survey	N2-32-76
50	Sunoco	9/17/76-5/17/77		Granite Creek Gerlach	Heat Flow	N2-34-76
51	Sunoco	11/15/76-1/31/77		Gerlach	Magneto Tellurie Soundings	N2-2-77
52	So. Union Prod. Co.	12/6/76-12/1/77		Leach & Kyle Hot Springs	Geophysical Surveys	N2-4-77
53	So. Union Prod. Co.	1/3/77-1/1/78		Jersey Dixie Valley	Geophysical Surveys	N2-6-77
54	So. Union Prod. Co.	1/3/77-1/1/78		Pumpernickel Buffalo Valley	Geophysical Surveys	N2-7-77
55	So. Union Prod. Co.	1/3/77-1/1/78		Gerlach Empire	Ceophysical Surveys	N2-8-77
56	Phillips	3/20/77-3/20/78	1/10/77	San Emidio Desert	Temp, Grad. Hole	. N2-15-77
57	Chevron	4/1/77-10/1/77		Kyle Hot Springs Area	Temp. Grad, Hole	N2-1-677
58	U.S.Geol. Survey	4/20/77-4/30/77		Bartazar Area	Surface Geophysical Survey	N2-17-77
59	Chevron	5/1/77-11/1/77	7/15/77	San Emidio Desert	Temp. Grad. Hole	N2-17-77
	Cievron	7/1/77-4/28/78	11.57.11	Grass Valley (Packing Co.)	Temp. Grad. Hole	N2-19-77
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	Company Name	NOI Period of Exploration	Notice of Completion	Location	Type of Work	D/O #
61	U.S.Geol. Survey U.S.Geol. Survey	7/1/77-7/1/78		Thacher Pass, Brady H.Spri Brisn Meadow, Battle Creek	ng Temp. Grad. Hole	N2-20-77
62	Earthquake Studies	4/18/77		Black Rock Desert Dyke Hot Springs	One Seismic Hole	N2-21+77
63	Earth Power	4/13/77-9/3078		McDermit Area	Temp, Grad, Hole	N2-22-77
64	Earth Power	4/18/77-9/30/78	<u> </u>	Kenio Area	Temp. Grad. Hole	N2-23-77
65	Hydro-Search	5/77-8/77		Brady H ot Springs	Temp, Grad, Hole	N2-24-77
66	Earth Power	4/18/77-9/30/77		McGee Mtn (Humbolt Co.)	Temp, Grad, Hole	N2-27-77
67	Chevron Geophys. Co.	7/1/77-11/30/77		San Emidio Area	High Resolution Seismic Survey	N2-30-77
68	U.S.Geol. Survey (Water Resources	7/1/77-7/1/78		Grasi Valley Pershing Co.	One 4º Diam, Hole	N2-31-77
69	Republic Geoth. Inc.	7/17/77		Jersey Valley	Temp, Grad, Hole	N2-34-77
70	U.S.Geol. Survey (Geothermal Studies)	7/15/77-7/17/78			·	
71	U.S.Geol. Survey (Water Resources)	7/24/77-7/24/78		Leach Hot Springs	Shallow Heat Hole	N2-36-77
72	Encco, Inc. Seismic Explo. Co.	8/77-9/77		Gerlach Area	Seismic Emission Study	N2-37-77
73	Electrocyne Survey Service	6/30/77-8/15/77		Northeast of Lovelock Area	Electric Resistivity Seismic Study	N2-39-77
74	Earth Power	8/2/77-2/1/78		McGee Hts.	Gemp, Grad, Heles	N2-4Q-77
75	Earth Power	8/2/77-2/1/78		Pueblo Mt, Area	15 ea Temp, Grad. Holes	N2-41-77
76	Union OI1 Geothermal Div.)	8/20/77-8/1/78		Rye Patch Area	Audio-Magneto Tellur & dipole-diple R.S.	
78	U.S.Geo. Survey	8/16/77-9/2/77		Grass Valley Jungo Area	Heat_Flow Study	N2-43-77
79	Phillips Petro.			Adobe Flat-Granite Springs Valley	7 ea, 300 temp, Grad, Holes	N2-45-77
80	United Geophysical			San Emidio Desert	Seismic Survey	N2-47-77

Carson City District - Nevada

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	Company Name	NOI Period of Exploration	Notice of Completion	Location	Type of Work	D/O #
1	Phillips Petro.		7/1/74	T16N, P. 30E	10 Temp. Grad. Holes	27-030-01
2	Chevron 0il		11/15/75	T19-20N,R.25-26E	Resistivity Survey	27-030-02
3.	Chevron 011		8/8/74	T10-11N,R25-26E	Resistivity Survey	27-030-03
4	Al-Aquitane		6/28/74	T13N,R33,34E T12N,\$34,35E	Gravity AMT	27-030-04
5	Al-Aquitane		6/28/74	T16N,R22#	Gravity AMT	27-030-05
6	Al-Aquitane		6/28/74	T21N,R33E	Gravity AMT	27-020-06
7	U.S.G.S. Thomas H. Moses			T23N, R18E	2 Temp. Grad. Holes	27-030-07
8	Sun Oil Col		6/30/75	T23-25N. R35-33#	15 Temp. Grad. Holes	27-030-08
9	Phillips Petro.		11/1/75	T16-25N, R27-33E	5 Temp. Grad. Holes	27-030-09
10	(USGS) Geotronics Corp		4/17/75	Stillwater Soda Lake	Magneto Tellurie Survey	27-030-09
11	Phillips Petrol.		11/1/75	T19N, R27-28E	2 Temp. Grad. Holes	27-030-12
12	Westinghouse (USGS)		5/15/75	(KGRA) Stillwater Soda Lake	Magneto Tellurie Survey	27-030-13
13	Jinion Oil Co.		6/11/75	T17-18N.R29-30E	10 Temp, Grad. Holes	27-030-14
14	Geonomics		6/15/75	T14-17N,R33-35E	Resistivity Survey	27-030-15
15	U.S.G.S., Denver			(KGRA) Steamboat-Wabuska	Gravity Survey	NV-030-16
16	Rydro Search, Inc.			Wabuska (KGRA)	Gravity Resistivity	NV-030-17
17	Hydrosearch, Inc.		9/76	Steamboat (KCRA)	Gravity Resistivity Survey	NV-030-18
18	Chevron 011		4/30/76	North Dixie Valley	5 Temp. Grad. Holes	NV-030-20
19	Hydrosearch, Inc.			Fallon Area	Gravity Resistivity Survey	NV-030-21
20	Hunt 011		3/19/76	Salt Wells Area	Resistivity Survey	NV-030-22
21	USGS, Denver	•	2/5/76	Dixie Valley	Resistivity Survey	NV-030-23
22	Phillips Oetrol		7/22/16	Steamboat	2 Temp. Grad. Holes	NV-030-24
23	Chevron		5/31/76	Wilson Hot Springs	2 Temp. Grad. Holes	NV-030-25
24	Geonomics		6/15/76	Carson Sink	Resistivity Survey	NV-030-26
25	Republic Geothermal			Gabbs Valley	Temp. Grad. Hole	VV-030-27
26	(Hunt Energy Co.) Geothermal Services			E17-20N. R20-21R	17 Temp. Grad. Holes	NV-030-28
27	(Hunt Energy Co.) Geothermal Services			122-24N. R31-33E	30 Temp Grad Holes	1
28	Dow Chemical		12/20/76	T22-24N, R35-37E	14 Temp. Grad. Holes	NV-030-30
29	(Hunt Energy) Geothermal Services			r15-19n.r31-34e	43 Temp. Grad. Holes	NV-030-31
30	Sun Oil Co. Geothermal Services			hixie Valley	2 Temp. Grad. Holes	1V-030-32
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	Company Name	NOI Period of Exploration	Notice of Completion	Location	Type of Work	D/O #
31	Geonomics. Inc.		1/17/77	Wilson H ot Springs	22 Temp. Grad. Holes	NY-030-33
32	Dow Chemical			T22-23N, R35-36 K	Withdrawn	NY-030-34
33	Al-Aquitane Ltd. (Sun 011)		3/23/77	Gabbs Valley	5 Temp. Grad. Holes	NY-030-35
34	Sunoco Energy Dev. Co	·		T24N, R36-37E) Dixie Valley	Magneto-telluric	NV-030-36
35	Photo Gravity			Wilson Hot Springs	Gravity Survey	NV-030-37
36	Anadarko Prod. Co.	·	3/6/77	Salt Wells Basin	Gravity Survey	NV-030-38
37	Anadarko Prod. Co.	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		Salt Wells Basin	Resistivity Survey	NV-030-39
38	Sunoco Energy Dev. Co		6/1/77	Dixie Valley	Passive Seixmic Emission Study	NV-030-41
39	Chevron, USA, Inc.		6/20/77	Wilson Hot Springs	6 Shallow Temp, Grad. Holes	NV-030-42
40	(USGS-Moses) Western Geophysical			Clan Alpine Mts.	1 Temp, Grad, Hole	NV-030-43
11_	Chevron USA, Inc.			Soda Lakes	Seismic Survey	NV-030-44
12	Republic Geothermal		,	Dixie Valley	13 Temp. Grad Holes	NV-030-45
13	USGS (Hoover)		6/29/77	(KGRA) Salt Wells Basin	Gravity AMT Survey	NV-030-46
4	Al-Aquitane Explo Ltd			Gabbs Valley	16 Temp, Grad. Holes	NV-030-47
5	Al-Aquitane Explo.Ltd			Gabbs Valley	Gravity Magneto Magneto telluric Sur	MV-030-47
	Amax Exploration			Augusta Mts.	15-500 ft. shallow Temp. Grad. Holes	NV-030-51
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	Company Name	NOI Period of Exploration	Notice of Completion	Location	Type of Work	D/O #
	.(USGS-Moses) Western Geophysical	6/1/77-6/1/78		T14-15N, R67-68E T15,R54E	Temp, Grad, Hole	
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Las Vegas District - Nevada

	Company Name	NOI Period of Exploration	Notice of Completion	Location	Type of Work	D/O #
	U.S.Geol. Survey			Colorado Valley Gold Lutte - El Dor.	Regional Geophysical	
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	Company Name	NOI Period of Exploration	Notice of Completion	Location	Type of Work	D/O #
1	Cheyron 011 Co.	2/6/75	<u> </u>	T31N, R47E		27-060-01
	Cheyron 011	3/25/75		T33-34N. R45E		27-160-02
3	S. Union Prod. Co.	11/19/75		T32-34N. R 40-41E		N2-13-76
4	Phillips Petrol, Co.	12/17/75-12/17/76	12/6/75	T31N, R45E T32N, R54E		27-060-05
5	Union Oil	3/23/76-3/1/77	11/25/76	T16-17N,R39E T17N, R40E		NV-060-09
6	Cheyron 011	4/76-10/77		T33N, R45-46E		G-NV-010-
7	Cheyron 011	4/26/76-4/1/77	9/20/76	T29-31N, R47-48E		NV-060-11
88	Chevron 011	5/12/76-5/1/77	9/20/76	T30-31N, R47-48E		NV-060-12
9	S. Union Prod.	8/23/75-8/1/77		T31N, R47#		NV-060-15
10	So. Union Prod.	8/23/76-8/1/77		T31N, R47E		NV-060-16
11	U.S.Geol. Survey	4/4/77-		T15,25N, R45E T19N, R49E	Shallow Temp. Grad, Hole	NV-060-25
				T24N, R51E		
12	Lanton Survey Co.			Warm Springs		NV-060-77
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APPENDIX F

TEMPERATURE GRADIENT HOLES

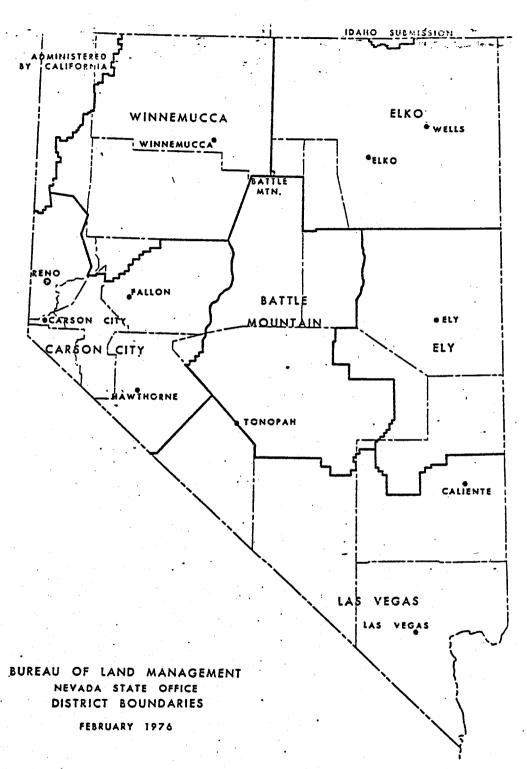
Per a 1976-1977 Status Report for the Reno Geothermal District of the Conservation Division of USGS, the following data summarizes the planned and completed activity in the Area during this period.

Depth of Wells	No. of Wells
100'	51
300†	3
490'	44
5001	37
1000'	3
1500'	2
2000'	2
3000'	7
5500 '	. 7
8000¹	6
9000'	5

APPENDIX G

EAR'S FROM BLM

- 1. BAKER
- 2. BUFFALO HILLS
- 3. CALIENTE-VIRGIN VALLEY PLANNING UNIT
- 4. CHERRY CREEK RESOURCE AREA
- 5. ELKO
- 6. ESMERALDA
- 7. EUREKA
- 8. FAIRVIEW
- 9. JAKES VALLEY-SUNNYSIDE
- 10. FORT CHURCHILL-CLAN ALPINE AREA
- 11. PINE-NUT WALKER AREA
- 12. PYRAMID AREA
- 13. STATELINE PLANNING AREA
- 14. TONOPAH RESOURCE AREA
- 15. WINNEMUCCA
- 16. BATTLE MOUNTAIN
- 17. SHOSHONE RESOURCE AREA
- 18. MINA AREA
- 19. LITTLE SMOKY VALLEY
- 20. SONOMA-GERLACH-BUFFALO HILLS PLANNING UNIT



APPENDIX I

LAND USE PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT UNITS

01-ELKO DISTRICT

48-Elko Resource Area
Tuscarera Planning Area
0101-Tuscarera Planning Unit
0102-North Fork PU
Humboldt PA
0105-Buckhorn PU

68-Wells Resource Area Wells PA 0103-Contact PU 0104-Currie PU

02-WINNEHUCCA DISTRICT

48-Paradise-Denio Resource Area Paradise PA 0201-Paradise PU Denio PA 0202-Denio PU

68-Sonoma-Gerlach Resource Area Sonoma-Gerlach PA 0203-Buffalo Hills PU 0204-Blue Wing PU 0205-Sonoma PU

03-CARSON CITY DISTRICT

48-Lahontan Resource Area
Clan Alpine-Ft. Churchill PA
0301-Clan Alpine PU
0302-Fort Churchill PU
Pyramid-Long Valley PA
0306-Pyramid PU
0321-Long Valley PU*

58-Walker Resource Area
Walker-Mina PA
0303-Walker PU
0304-Mina PU
Pine Nut-Markleeville PA
0305-Pine Nut PU
0322-Markleeville PU*

NEVADA BLM SUMMARY

District Offices - 6 Resource Areas - 12 Planning Areas - 22 Planning Units - 41

• Located in California
Preface digits are ADP identification codes

04 ELY DISTRICT

48-Schell Resource Area
Moriah PA
0401-Noriah PU
Pony Springs PA
0410-White River PU
0411-Lake Valley PU
0412-Wilson Creek PU

58-Egan Rosource Area
Cherry Creek PA
0404-Stoptoe PU
0405-Butte PU
0406-Newark PU
Currant PA
0407-Duckwater PU
0408-Preston Lund PU
0409-Horse and Cattle Camp PU

05-LAS VEGAS DISTRICT

48-Caliente-Virgin Valley Resource Area Caliente PA 0501-Caliente PU *Virgin Valley PA 0502-Virgin Valley PU

68-Stateline-Esmeralda Resource Area
Esmeralda PA
0503-Esmeralda PU
Stateline PA
0504-Stateline PU
Defense & Test PA
0505-Mustang Range PU
0506-Withdrawal PU

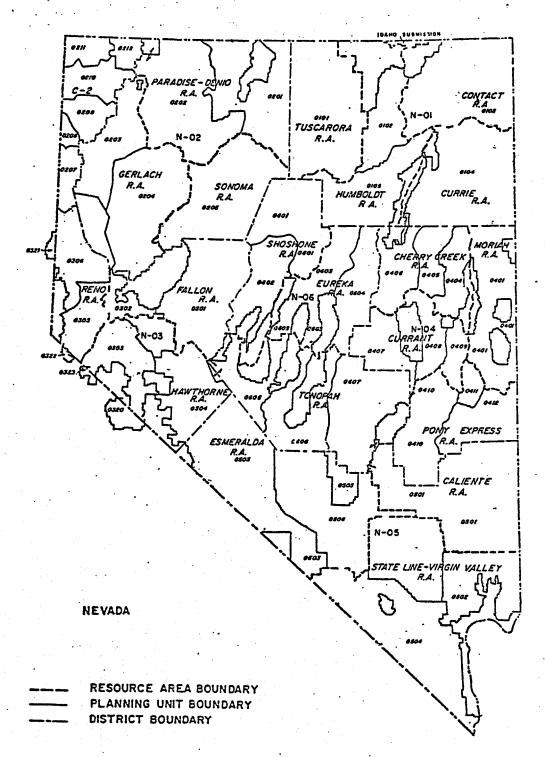
- 06-BATTLE MOUNTAIN DISTRICT

48-Shoshone-Eureka Resource Area Shoshone PA · 0601-Cortez PU 0602-Mount Airy PU Eureka PA 0603-Pony Express PU 0604-Devil's Gate PU

68-Tonopah Resource Area Tonopah PA 0605-Manhattan PU 0606-Tybo PU 0607-Crater PU

APPENDIX J

NEVADA MAP OF RESOURCE AREA, PLANNING UNIT,
AND DISTRICT BOUNDARIES



APPENDIX K

COMPONENTS OF THE ENVIRONMENTS FOR EAR STIPULATIONS

GROUP I - Living Components

- 1. Wildlife Habitat
- Sage Grouse-strutting, brooding and nesting sites.
 Blue Grouse-associated with White Fir areas.
- 3. Wildhorse and Burro Habitat
- 4. Bighorn Sheep Habitat
- 5. Deer Habitat

Mule Deer

6. Elk Habitat

Pronghorn

8. Wildlife Management Areas

Alkali Lake

9. Birds of Prey

Prairie Falcon Peregrine Falcon Bald Eagle Golden Eagle Raptors

10. Life Water

Waterfowl Habitat
Wildlife Conservation & protection of water (surface) for
various wildlife uses.
Water resources (for wildlife and fish)

11. Fish Habitat

Pahrump Killifish
Ash Meadows Pup Fish
Desert Dace
Cutthroat Trout (Lahontan)

12. Mourning Dove

GROUP II - Ecological and Cultural Components

- 21. Archaeological Sites
- 22. Historic Places

(Those places NOW LISTED with the National Register of Historic Places).

23. Historic Places

(Those places which are <u>QUALIFIED</u> <u>FOR</u>, <u>PROPOSED</u> or, <u>NOMINATED</u> to the National Register of Historic Places.

24. Natural Areas (Ecological)

Thermal Springs
Geologic Areas
Pinyon-Juniper Woodlands
Botanical Areas
Joshua Tree Forest (Paiuite Valley)
Swamp Cedar
Bristlecone Pine
Potosi Barrel Cactus
Cottonwood Cholla
Desert View Environment Area
Ecological Values

- 25. Scenic Areas
- 26. Antiquities and Objects of H istoric Value

Cultural Resources Historic Sites Trails (Historic trade and Wagon Train Routes, Pony Express, Etc.)

27. Indian Pinyon-Nut Gathering Stipulation

GROUP III - Human Values

31. Recreation Areas

Hiking Picnicking ORV Hunting Water Sports Administration Sites Water Resources-for recreation

- 32. Wilderness Areas (Existing)
- 33. Wilderness Areas (Proposed)
- 34. Primative Areas (Proposed)
- 35. Roadless Areas (Proposed and Inventoried)
- 36. State Parks (Proposed)
- 37. Multiple Use Classification
- 38. National Forest

Watershed and Fire Rehabilitation Research Areas Recreation Areas Lake Tahoe Basin

GROUP IV - Non-Living Components

- 41. Bureau of Reclamation Withdrawls

 Irrigation and Dam Projects
- 42.
- 43. Unstable/Erodable Soils (recommended by USFS and BLM)

 Ecology and terrain such as to be extremely sensitive to distrubance
- 44. Military
 Ordinance Areas
- 45. Rights-Of-Way Areas
- 46. Federally Controlled or Developed Water Projects

 (Other than those listed under the Bur. of Reclamation)
- 47. Snow Survey Transects
- 48. Critical Watershed Areas
 Municipal

APPENDIX L

EXPLANATION

LANDS EXCLUDED FROM LEASING

RED

No Leasing

YELLOW

No Leasing- Pending
(No leasing permitted
until a final land use
decision is made following additional environmental studies.)

LEASING - WITH RESTRICTIONS

BLUE

Non- Critical

ORANGE

Critical

The two divisions under this category are the Non-Critical and Critical. The non-critical areas are those upon which entry will be allowed <u>after</u> permission is obtained from the district offices. These areas are subject to the stipulations contained within the Geothermal Resource Lease (Sections 14 and 18) and additional restrictions.

Critical areas are those areas with stipulations of CRITICAL in their explanations, or NO SURFACE ENTRY, and others explained in the criteria used for the evaluation of EAR data. Areas with the stipulations of SITE-BY-SITE decisions may also be included. These additional stipulations are also attached to the Geothermal Resource Lease Stipulations (Sections 14 and 18).

APPENDIX M

Regional Planning Workshop Salt Lake City, Utah April 26, 1978

SUMMARY NEVADA OPERATIONS RESEARCH SOUTHWEST REGIONAL GEOTHERMAL PROJECT

G. Martin Booth III Nevada Team Leader

By the end of the first year of the Southwest Regional Geothermal Project, the Nevada State Team will have defined over 300 potential geothermal sites. Because of the multitude of sites and data, scenarios for this fiscal year are being completed for 26 "areas" which will include all the specific sites. It is not improbable that fully one-third of the sites will prove to be of high to intermediate in temperature (i.e. >150°C and 90° - 150°C). Low temperature (<90°C) sites are also prominent, not only in number, but also in their distribution - each of our 17 counties has several such sites.

Fully 86 percent of the land in Nevada is Federally administered.

Less than 2 percent is State land. The remaining 12 percent is private land, one-half of which is owned by the Southern Pacific Railroad.

Essentially all the leasing in the State is on Natural Resource Lands (Public Domain) which is under the jurisdiction of the BLM. Since leasing on Federal Lands was initiated in 1974, there have been millions of acres in geothermal lease applications by more than 150 companies and individuals.

As of February, 1978, there were 881,971 acres under lease with BLM. Fully 152,662 acres (or 17%) of this total, were within KGRAs; and the balance of 729,309 acres (or 83%), were non-KGRA leases.

All of the checkerboarded railroad lands are presently being evaluated by Phillips Petroleum Co., under an agreement with Southern Pacific. A significant percentage of the remaining private land in the northern and western sections of the State is held under lease by a number of companies.

The level of activity in Nevada is very high. There are 30 companies and groups, each of which hold 10,000-20,000 acres in Federal leases.

DGE/DOE supported projects are now supplying and will provide for increasing momentum to exploration and development projects by means of several of its programs.

The Nevada Operations Research group is currently establishing aggressive, realistic scenarios, with emphasis on those which will come on line by the year 2020. To ensure that the site specific scenarios are truly usable to planners, the team is concerned not only with the technical data normally developed for resource assessment, but also the social, economic, institutional, and political elements. The Nevada Team has developed techniques for graphic representation of a vast amount of data and information which is available, and which must be considered in constructing the scenarios. To date three major categories, graphically portrayed on 1:250,000 scale AMS maps, are: (1) Environmental, (2) Exploration, and (3) Leasing. Many other important factors are being considered as well.

Nevada is experiencing a surge in population with an accompanying increase in energy demand. State planners concerned with energy, the environment, and other concerns connected with growth, will benefit extensively, and special studies elements of this Project. The results of the Operations Research studies will give the executive and legislative branches of the Nevada State government a means with which to plan and formulate policy in areas of land use planning, plant siting, inter- and intra-state energy coordination and cooperation, and other areas of concern.