

## [Hill Beach Mines]

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Small Metal Mining Questionnaire

TOPIC:

COUNTY: Mineral

WORKER: Mabel C. Olson

Miners at Work

1. Name of Mine: Hill Beach Mines
2. Type of mine (placer, quartz, etc.): Quartz
3. Approximate distance from Superior: About 15 miles east.
4. Location. (locate as closely as possible with reference to creeks, gulches, towns, roads, etc.) There are at least 15 claims scattered along Deep Creek, Second Creek, on the divide between Deep Creek and Flat Creek, Eddy Creek, in Malia Gulch. Most of them are about six or seven miles from the junction of these creeks with the Missoula River, and from six to eight miles from Cobden. Fair roads connect them with Highway # 10 near Cobden.
5. Principle components of ore (gold, silver, lead, zinc): Gold, silver, copper, iron

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6. Number of men employed: It has not been operated for a number of years. Formerly about five men.

7. Name of person in charge of work at mine: James F. McCarthy, manager of the Hecla Mine, Burke, Idaho.

8. Miscellaneous data: Owned by the Idaho Investment Company in 1939. A millsite was located in 1900; the mill was inadequate and soon shut down. Difficulties met by the miners: the ore was too base and hard to treat; the wall rock was very hard.

9. Source of information (give location of document or name and address of person interviewed): Ray Green, Lee Roach, Bert Clark, all of Superior, Montana, old settlers "Mining Locations," Book A, pages 578 and 476; Book B, pages 75, 201, and 202; Book C, pages 351, 352, 353, 135, 357, 366, 367, 368, and 414; Book G, pages 16, 181, and 210, John McMillan, County Clerk and Recorder of Mineral County, Superior, Montana.