

Big Horn Mine Purchase

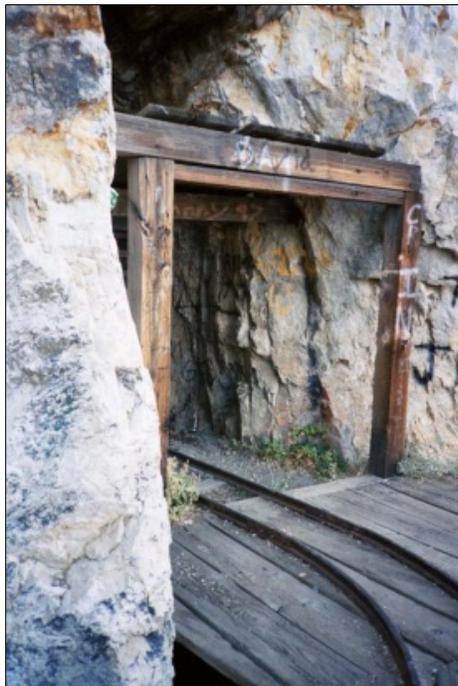
Special Benefits

This acquisition lies within the boundaries of the Angeles National Forest and is also within the Sheep Mountain Wilderness. It was the largest of the 4 remaining private holdings within this



wilderness. The property, consisting of 8 overlapping mining patents, was actively mined in the late 1800s into the 1930s. Completely surrounded by NFS lands, the parcels are perched on the steep eastern slope of Mt. Baden-Powell.

Several 3rd parties attempted over many years to secure this property for the Forest Service but were unsuccessful due to valuation and other issues. Wilderness Land Trust (WLT) was finally successful and purchased the property in February 2007. There were 3 open adits along with the sturdy remains of an old “stamp” mill. Prior to the sale to the USA, WLT secured the adits with bat gates (each shaft was found to be occupied by bats).



The area is can be accessed from the north off of the Angeles Crest Highway over an old mining road that is moderately easy to navigate. The views from the road to the east and southeast showcase the easterly portion of the Sheep Mountain Wilderness and the northern drainage to the San Gabriel River. The Pacific Crest Trail runs to the north and west and at its closest point is approximately 1 mile from the acquisition.



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Case Highlights:

Angeles National Forest – Thomas Contreras, Forest Supervisor

Located in Los Angeles County, approximately 25 miles northeast of Pasadena and 7 miles west of Wrightwood

Authority: The USDA Organic Act of 1956, and The Land & Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965

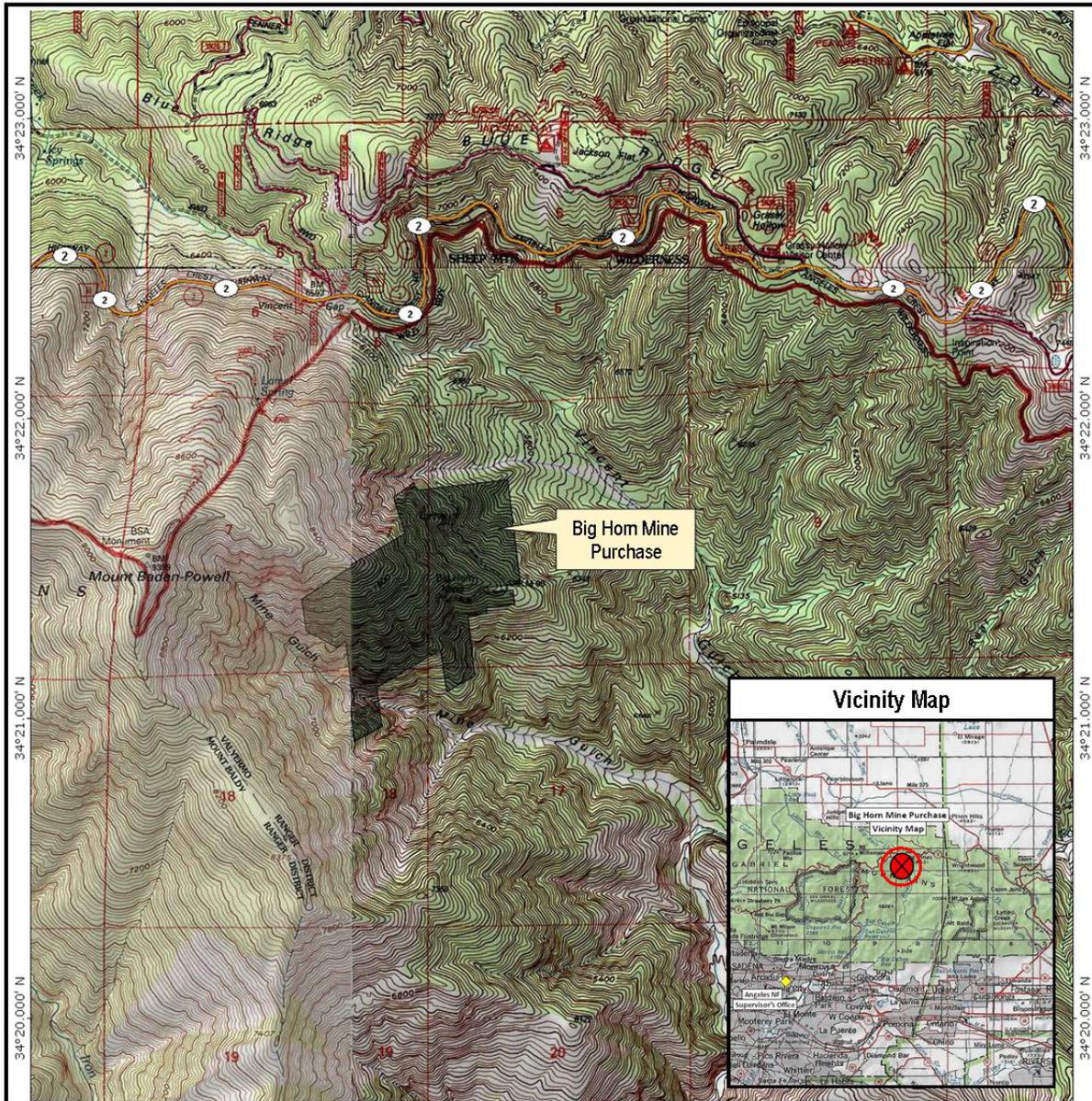
Deed Recorded: November 16, 2011

Total Acreage: 276.68 acres

Purchased Land Value: \$2,000,000

Case Manager: Norm Noyes

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References

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Big Horn Mine Property 

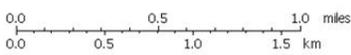
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The Organic Act of August 3, 1956
The Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965

Township 3 North, Range 8 West, portions of Sections 7, 8, 17 and 18, SBM, Los Angeles County, CA

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