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**Policy of Title Insurance**

California Land  
Title Association  
Standard Coverage  
Policy — 1990

**SUBJECT TO THE EXCLUSIONS FROM COVERAGE, THE EXCEPTIONS FROM COVERAGE CONTAINED IN SCHEDULE B AND THE CONDITIONS AND STIPULATIONS, TICOR TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY**, a California corporation, herein called the Company, insures, as of Date of Policy shown in Schedule A, against loss or damage, not exceeding the Amount of Insurance stated in Schedule A, sustained or incurred by the insured by reason of:

1. Title to the estate or interest described in Schedule A being vested other than as stated therein;
2. Any defect in or lien or encumbrance on the title;
3. Unmarketability of the title;
4. Lack of a right of access to and from the land;

and in addition, as to an insured lender only;

5. The invalidity or unenforceability of the lien of the insured mortgage upon the title;
6. The priority of any lien or encumbrance over the lien of the insured mortgage, said mortgage being shown in Schedule B in the order of its priority;
7. The invalidity or unenforceability of any assignment of the insured mortgage, provided the assignment is shown in Schedule B, or the failure of the assignment shown in Schedule B to vest title to the insured mortgage in the named insured assignee free and clear of all liens.

The Company will also pay the costs, attorneys' fees and expenses incurred in defense of the title or the lien of the insured mortgage, as insured, but only to the extent provided in the Conditions and Stipulations.

This policy shall not be valid or binding until countersigned below by an authorized signatory of the Company.

Issued by:  
**INYO-MONO TITLE COMPANY**  
230 West Line Street  
Bishop, CA 93514  
(619) 872-4741

**TICOR TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY**

By




President

Attest



Secretary

  
Authorized Signatory

TICOR TITLE INSURANCE COMPAN

CLTA STANDARD COVERAGE POLICY

SCHEDULE A

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ORDER NUMBER: 106508

POLICY NUMBER: 05 0319 067 02799

POLICY DATE: AUGUST 20, 1998 AT 12:47 PM

POLICY AMOUNT: \$17,500.00

PREMIUM: \$250.00

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1. NAME OF INSURED:

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

2. THE ESTATE OR INTEREST IN THE LAND WHICH IS COVERED BY THIS POLICY IS:

AN EASEMENT

3. TITLE TO THE ESTATE OR INTEREST IN THE LAND IS VESTED IN:

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

SCHEDULE A (CONTINUED)

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FILE NO.: 106508

4. THE LAND REFERRED TO IN THIS POLICY IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

A CONSERVATION EASEMENT AS GRANTED BY JAMES M. PUTNAM AND LINDA D. WOOD TO STATE OF CALIFORNIA IN THE DOCUMENT RECORDED AUGUST 20, 1998 AS INSTRUMENT NO. 5446 OF OFFICIAL RECORDS, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 13, TOWNSHIP 8 NORTH, RANGE 22 EAST, M.D.B. & M., IN THE COUNTY OF MONO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF.

## SCHEDULE B

FILE NO.: 106508

## EXCEPTIONS FROM COVERAGE

THIS POLICY DOES NOT INSURE AGAINST LOSS OR DAMAGE (AND THE COMPANY WILL NOT PAY FOR COSTS, ATTORNEYS' FEES OR EXPENSES) WHICH ARISE BY REASON OF:

## PART I

1. TAXES OR ASSESSMENTS WHICH ARE NOT SHOWN AS EXISTING LIENS BY THE RECORDS OF ANY TAXING AUTHORITY THAT LEVIES TAXES OR ASSESSMENTS ON REAL PROPERTY OR BY THE PUBLIC RECORDS. PROCEEDINGS BY A PUBLIC AGENCY WHICH MAY RESULT IN TAXES OR ASSESSMENTS, OR NOTICES OF SUCH PROCEEDINGS, WHETHER OR NOT SHOWN BY THE RECORDS OF SUCH AGENCY OR BY THE PUBLIC RECORDS.
2. ANY FACTS, RIGHTS, INTERESTS OR CLAIMS WHICH ARE NOT SHOWN BY THE PUBLIC RECORDS BUT WHICH COULD BE ASCERTAINED BY AN INSPECTION OF THE LAND OR WHICH MAY BE ASSERTED BY PERSONS IN POSSESSION THEREOF.
3. EASEMENTS, LIENS OR ENCUMBRANCES, OR CLAIMS THEREOF, WHICH ARE NOT SHOWN BY THE PUBLIC RECORD.
4. DISCREPANCIES, CONFLICTS IN BOUNDARY LINES, SHORTAGE IN AREA, ENCROACHMENTS, OR ANY OTHER FACTS WHICH A CORRECT SURVEY WOULD DISCLOSE, AND WHICH ARE NOT SHOWN BY THE PUBLIC RECORDS.
5. (A) UNPATENTED MINING CLAIMS; (B) RESERVATIONS OR EXCEPTIONS IN PATENTS OR IN ACTS AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE THEREOF; (C) WATER RIGHTS, CLAIMS OR TITLE TO WATER, WHETHER OR NOT THE MATTERS EXCEPTED UNDER (A), (B), OR (C) ARE SHOWN BY THE PUBLIC RECORDS.

## PART II

1. A GRANT OF WATER AND EASEMENT  
DATED : OCTOBER 10, 1990  
EXECUTED BY : DAWN R. COOPER  
JOHN H. COOPER  
IN FAVOR OF : RACHEL SMITH THOLKE, TRUSTEE OF THE RACHEL SMITH THOLKE  
TRUST  
RECORDED : OCTOBER 31, 1990 IN BOOK 570 PAGE 140 OF OFFICIAL RECORDS
2. RIGHTS, COVENANTS, RESTRICTIONS, CONDITIONS, LIMITATIONS AND RESERVATIONS CONTAINED IN THE GRANT OF CONSERVATION EASEMENT FROM JAMES M. PUTNAM AND LINDA D. WOOD TO STATE OF CALIFORNIA RECORDED AUGUST 20, 1998 AS INSTRUMENT NO. 5446 OF OFFICIAL RECORDS, AND ANY FAILURE TO COMPANY THEREWITH.

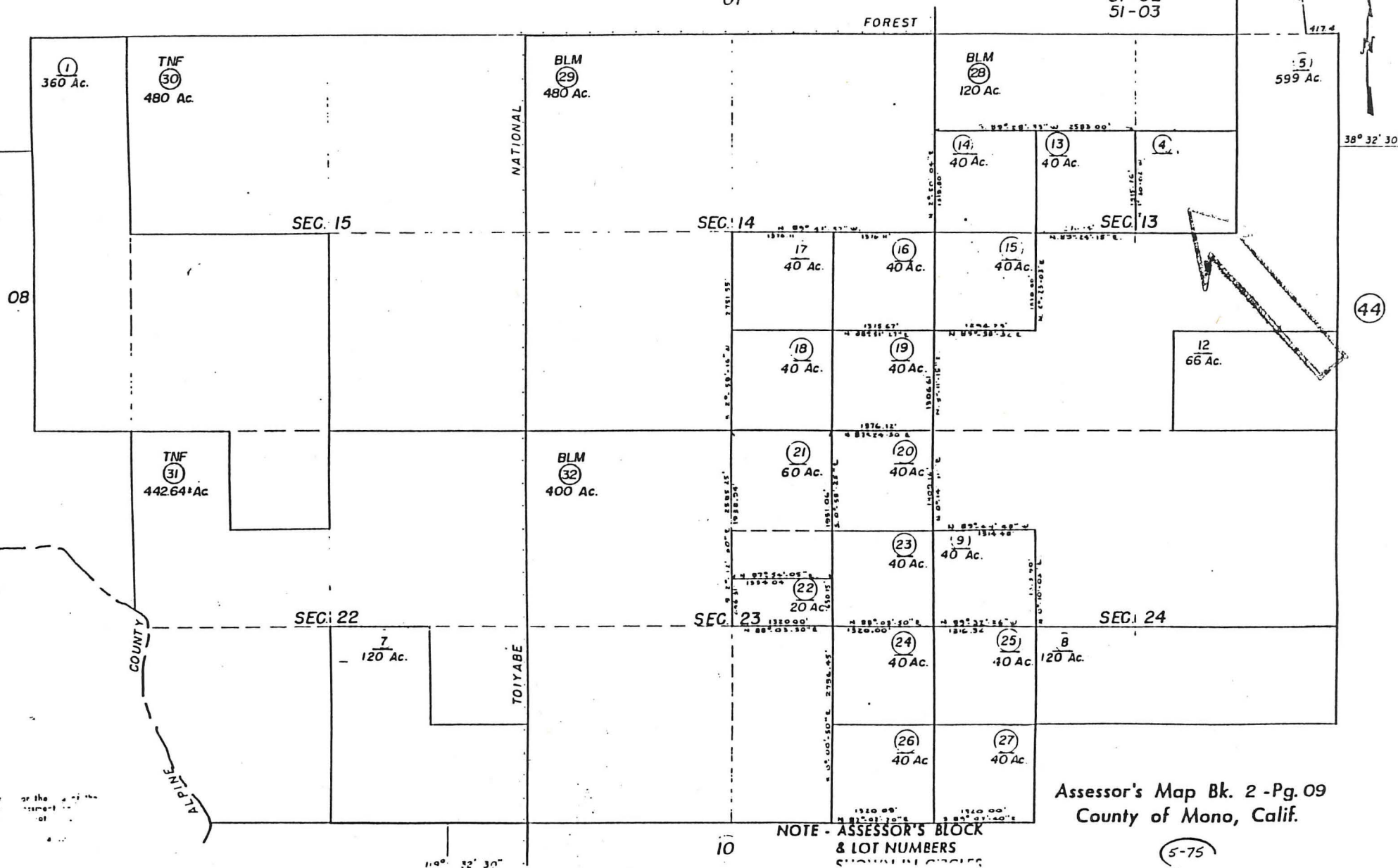
(END OF POLICY)

This is not a survey of the land, but is for information only, nor is it a part of the report or policy to which it may be attached.

T. 8 N., R. 22 E., M. D. B. & M.

Tax Area Code  
51-00  
51-01  
51-02  
51-03

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Assessor's Map Bk. 2 -Pg. 09  
County of Mono, Calif.

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the insured mortgage, as insured, is rejected as unmarketable. If prompt notice shall not be given to the Company, then as to that insured all liability of the Company shall terminate with regard to the matter or matters for which prompt notice is required; provided, however, that failure to notify the Company shall in no case prejudice the rights of any insured under this policy unless the Company shall be prejudiced by the failure and then only to the extent of the prejudice.

#### **4. DEFENSE AND PROSECUTION OF ACTIONS; DUTY OF INSURED CLAIMANT TO COOPERATE**

(a) Upon written request by an insured and subject to the options contained in Section 6 of these Conditions and Stipulations, the Company, at its own cost and without unreasonable delay, shall provide for the defense of such insured in litigation in which any third party asserts a claim adverse to the title or interest as insured, but only as to those stated causes of action alleging a defect, lien or encumbrance or other matter insured against by this policy. The Company shall have the right to select counsel of its choice (subject to the right of such insured to object for reasonable cause) to represent the insured as to those stated causes of action and shall not be liable for and will not pay the fees of any other counsel. The Company will not pay any fees, costs or expenses incurred by the insured in the defense of those causes of action which allege matters not insured against by this policy.

(b) The Company shall have the right, at its own cost, to institute and prosecute any action or proceeding or to do any other act which in its opinion may be necessary or desirable to establish the title to the estate or interest or the lien of the insured mortgage, as insured, or to prevent or reduce loss or damage to the insured. The Company may take any appropriate action under the terms of this policy, whether or not it shall be liable hereunder, and shall not thereby concede liability or waive any provision of this policy. If the Company shall exercise its rights under this paragraph, it shall do so diligently.

(c) Whenever the Company shall have brought an action or interposed a defense as required or permitted by the provisions of this policy, the Company may pursue any litigation to final determination by a court of competent jurisdiction and expressly reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to appeal from any adverse judgment or order.

(d) In all cases where this policy permits or requires the Company to prosecute or provide for the defense of any action or proceeding, an insured shall secure to the Company the right to so prosecute or provide defense in the action or proceeding, and all appeals therein, and permit the Company to use, at its option, the name of such insured for this purpose. Whenever requested by the Company, an insured, at the Company's expense, shall give the Company all reasonable aid (i) in any action or proceeding, securing evidence, obtaining witnesses, prosecuting or defending the action or proceeding, or effecting settlement, and (ii) in any other lawful act which in the opinion of the Company may be necessary or desirable to establish the title to the estate or interest or the lien of the insured mortgage, as insured. If the Company is prejudiced by the failure of an insured to furnish the required cooperation, the Company's obligations to the insured under the policy shall terminate, including any liability or obligation to defend, prosecute, or continue any litigation, with regard to the matter or matters requiring such cooperation.

#### **5. PROOF OF LOSS OR DAMAGE**

In addition to and after the notices required under Section 3 of these Conditions and Stipulations have been provided the Company, a proof of loss or damage signed and sworn to by the insured claimant shall be furnished to the Company within 90 days after the insured claimant shall ascertain the facts giving rise to the loss or damage. The proof of loss or damage shall describe the defect in, or lien or encumbrance on the title, or other matter insured against by this policy which constitutes the basis of loss or damage and shall state, to the extent possible, the basis of calculating the amount of the loss or damage. If the Company is prejudiced by the failure of an insured claimant to provide the required proof of loss or damage, the Company's obligations to such insured under the policy shall terminate, including any liability or obligation to defend, prosecute, or continue any litigation, with regard to the matter or matters requiring such proof of loss or damage.

In addition, an insured claimant may reasonably be required to submit to examination under oath by any authorized representative of the Company and shall produce for examination, inspection and copying, at such reasonable times and places as may be designated by any authorized representative of the Company, all records, books, ledgers, checks, correspondence and memoranda, whether bearing a date before or after Date of Policy, which reasonably pertain to the loss or damage. Further, if requested by any authorized representative of the Company, the insured claimant shall grant its permission, in writing, for any authorized representative of the Company to examine, inspect and copy all records, books, ledgers, checks, correspondence and memoranda in the custody or control of a third party, which reasonably pertain to the loss or damage. All information designated as confidential by an insured claimant provided to the Company pursuant to this Section shall not be disclosed to others unless, in the reasonable judgment of the Company, it is necessary in the administration of the claim. Failure of an insured claimant to submit for examination under oath, produce other reasonably requested information or grant permission to secure

reasonably necessary information from third parties as required in this paragraph, unless prohibited by law or governmental regulation, shall terminate any liability of the Company under this policy as to that insured for that claim.

#### **6. OPTIONS TO PAY OR OTHERWISE SETTLE CLAIMS; TERMINATION OF LIABILITY**

In case of a claim under this policy, the Company shall have the following additional options:

##### **(a) To Pay or Tender Payment of the Amount of Insurance or to Purchase the Indebtedness.**

(i) to pay or tender payment of the amount of insurance under this policy together with any costs, attorneys' fees and expenses incurred by the insured claimant, which were authorized by the Company, up to the time of payment or tender of payment and which the Company is obligated to pay; or

(ii) in case loss or damage is claimed under this policy by the owner of the indebtedness secured by the insured mortgage, to purchase the indebtedness secured by the insured mortgage for the amount owing thereon together with any costs, attorneys' fees and expenses incurred by the insured claimant which were authorized by the Company up to the time of purchase and which the Company is obligated to pay.

If the Company offers to purchase the indebtedness as herein provided, the owner of the indebtedness shall transfer, assign, and convey the indebtedness and the insured mortgage, together with any collateral security, to the Company upon payment therefor.

Upon the exercise by the Company of the option provided for in paragraph a(i), all liability and obligations to the insured under this policy, other than to make the payment required in that paragraph, shall terminate, including any liability or obligation to defend, prosecute, or continue any litigation, and the policy shall be surrendered to the Company for cancellation.

Upon the exercise by the Company of the option provided for in paragraph a(ii) the Company's obligation to an insured lender under this policy for the claimed loss or damage, other than the payment required to be made, shall terminate, including any liability or obligation to defend, prosecute or continue any litigation.

##### **(b) To Pay or Otherwise Settle With Parties Other than the Insured or With the Insured Claimant.**

(i) to pay or otherwise settle with other parties for or in the name of an insured claimant any claim insured against under this policy, together with any costs, attorneys' fees and expenses incurred by the insured claimant which were authorized by the Company up to the time of payment and which the Company is obligated to pay; or

(ii) to pay or otherwise settle with the insured claimant the loss or damage provided for under this policy, together with any costs, attorneys' fees and expenses incurred by the insured claimant which were authorized by the Company up to the time of payment and which the Company is obligated to pay.

Upon the exercise by the Company of either of the options provided for in paragraphs (b)(i) or (b)(ii), the Company's obligations to the insured under this policy for the claimed loss or damage, other than the payments required to be made, shall terminate, including any liability or obligation to defend, prosecute or continue any litigation.

#### **7. DETERMINATION AND EXTENT OF LIABILITY**

This policy is a contract of indemnity against actual monetary loss or damage sustained or incurred by the insured claimant who has suffered loss or damage by reason of matters insured against by this policy and only to the extent herein described.

(a) The liability of the Company under this policy to an insured lender shall not exceed the least of:

(i) the Amount of Insurance stated in Schedule A, or, if applicable, the amount of insurance as defined in Section 2 (c) of these Conditions and Stipulations;

(ii) the amount of the unpaid principal indebtedness secured by the insured mortgage as limited or provided under Section 8 of these Conditions and Stipulations or as reduced under Section 9 of these Conditions and Stipulations, at the time the loss or damage insured against by this policy occurs, together with interest thereon; or

(iii) the difference between the value of the insured estate or interest as insured and the value of the insured estate or interest subject to the defect, lien or encumbrance insured against by this policy.

(b) In the event the insured lender has acquired the estate or interest in the manner described in Section 2(a) of these Conditions and Stipulations or has conveyed the title, then the liability of the Company shall continue as set forth in Section 7(a) of these Conditions and Stipulations.

(c) The liability of the Company under this policy to an insured owner of the estate or interest in the land described in Schedule A shall not exceed the least of:

(i) the Amount of Insurance stated in Schedule A; or,

(ii) the difference between the value of the insured estate or interest as insured and the value of the insured estate or interest subject to the defect, lien or encumbrance insured against by this policy.