

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The lands in this township vary from rolling mountainous in the extreme eastern portion and rough mountainous in the extreme western portion to nearly level valley and low bench lands in the central portion of the township. The average elevation of the valley lands is about 5000 ft.; the mountains, about 6300 ft. The Nightingale Mountains form the main drainage divide in the west range of sections and extend in a general north and south direction.

The main watercourse runs southerly thru the central part; there are no springs or streams.

The soil varies from a fine sandy loam in the valley floor to a coarse rocky loam on the slopes. The entire area is covered with sagebrush, rabbitbrush and occasional areas have a fair growth of white sage. There is no timber.

The only use of these lands is for limited grazing; the scarcity of watering holes in the district prevents its full utilization as a grazing area.

No indications of mining activities, past or present, were noted and no indications were seen of mineral deposits.

Two roads, both in very poor condition at all seasons of the year, serve the area. The nearest post office and supply point is Fernley, Nevada, about 30 miles airline in a southerly direction; the road distance to Fernley is about 50 miles.

The magnetic declination was not recorded owing to a sluggish and inaccurate compass needle.