

## T. 12 N., R. 28 E., MOUNT DIABLO MERIDIAN, NEVADA

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## General Description

The area encompassed in this survey is high mountains covered with pinon pine, with Section 6 being on the southern ramparts of Black Mountain, a basalt capped mountain peak. The crest of the northern Wassuck Range runs from section 6, through Sections 7, 8, 17, 21 and 27, to the south boundary of the township, rising to an approximate elevation of 8000 feet above sea level, in section 21, descending down the steep and rugged east side of the Wassuck Range to an approximate elevation of 4000 feet above sea level at the river bottom lands along the Walker River in section 1 and the old meanders along the much receded Walker Lake in section 36.

Vegetation consist of primarily shadescale at the lower elevations, transitioning to sagebrush at the higher elevations with pinon pine at the highest elevations descending the N. slopes. Cheat and bunchgrass throughout.

Soil consists of loam deposits from the rocky upper slopes of the northern Wassuck Mountain Range descending to the sandy deposits of the Walker River and receded Walker Lake along the base.

Activity consist of many staked mining claims in the NW portion of this area with evidence of being a very active mining area in the past, although no current active mining was witnessed during the course of this survey. In the NE1/4 of section 1, there is cultivated lands which are restricted to the individual Indian allotments defined by the subdivision of that section. The west half of section 1 and the NE1/4NE1/4 of sec. 2 contain the southernmost portion of the development of the town of Schurz, along the Nevada State Highway No. 95 corridor, containing a store and fuel stop, a motel, and school for the local community.

The area surveyed is accessed in the east from Nevada State Highway No. 95 and Alternate Nevada State Highway No. 95 south of the Town of Schurz, Nevada, approximately 25 miles east of the Town of Yerington, Nevada, and from the west, access is gained from Nevada State Highway No. 208, running south from the town of Yerington, Nevada to Bureau of Land Management Route No. 3020.