NORTH IDAHO 1910 FIRE SITES THEMATIC GROUP

Name: Bullion Tunnel, ~~site number 2~~

Location: SE¼, Section 21, T47N, R6E, Shoshone County, vicinity of Avery, Idaho E of Avery

Owner: Bullion Mining Company, Wallace

Map: USGS Saltese 62500

Boundary: NW¼ SW¼ SW¼ SE¼, Section 21

Acreage: 2½

Coordinates: 11/598 000/5250 350

Date: 1910

Significance: conservation

Condition: good, except for a caved portal

Description: S.M. Taylor, an experienced prospector, had an upper Bullion Creek crew of about 60 fire fighters, one of whom had driven a tunnel with an air vent that protected all of this group who got far enough into it. Eight of Taylor's force were lost when they did not get past the air vent, but everyone else escaped with no difficulty. This tunnel provided a perfect shelter and is significant for affording a superior haven in which a large number of men survived without injury or inconvenience that afflicted other crews trapped in that blaze.

This property also is significant as an example of an early mining tunnel.

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View from south

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