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**Subject:** Response requested ASAP... Mining claims for uranium.  
**Importance:** High

Hello Cheryl, the leasables/private minerals staff is tasked with the FS response to EO 03817 on energy. Below is info from a 2014 briefing for the DC. Is this still correct for uranium? We have a deadline Wednesday so a prompt response from the SLAM staff would be appreciated.

“Mining claims for uranium are in place in several western states including UT, AZ and NM. Most interest is focused in northern NM where small mine proposals have been filed on the Cibola NF. However no operating plans have been approved. In AZ, the Canyon Mine began operations in 2013, however idled due to a drop in uranium prices. The Canyon Mine lies within the area of mineral withdrawal adjacent to Grand Canyon NP, however a validity examination determined that the mine had valid existing rights to continue operations in the withdrawal area. The mine has never produced uranium ore.”

Many thanks, LM



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