

# Assessment notices due to BLM in December

Claimants of unpatented mining claims located on federal land before 1980 have until Dec. 30 to file annual assessment notices with the Bureau of Land Management. Assessment notices for all mining claims on BLM, National Park, National Forest, Fish and Wildlife and all other federal lands must be filed with BLM as well as with the local district recorder where the claim is located. BLM State Director Curtis Mc-

Vee said that if no assessment work has been done during the previous year, a "notice of intent to hold.. must be filed. If no assessment notice or notice of intent to hold is received, or is received after Dec. 30, the claim will be declared abandoned, he explained.

All forms MUST be received in the appropriate BLM office by the close of business on Dec. 30, he emphasized; filings postmarked by Dec. 30 but

not received until after that date will not be accepted.

Filings mailed to BLM should be sent well in advance to avoid the Christmas mail rush, McVee cautioned. There is no filing fee.

Claimants should include both the BLM serial number and the claim name on all forms which are available from most stationery stores. Forms are not supplied by BLM.

Assessment notices for claims

located in the Fairbanks District should be filed with the BLM Fairbanks District Office, Gaffney and Marks Road, Ft. Wainwright, Box 1150, Fairbanks 99707.

Assessment notices for claims in the Anchorage District should

be filed with the BLM Alaska State Office, 701 C Street, Box 13, Anchorage 99513.

Copies of mining regulations and information about mining are available from all BLM offices.