

## § 3851.6

(a) The assessment year in which the mineral entry is allowed is the first assessment year for which the assessment work and payment of maintenance fees is no longer required, and assessment work is not required in any assessment year thereafter until a mineral patent issues.

(b) If a mineral entry is canceled in whole or in part, the mining claims and mill sites that are no longer covered by the mineral entry shall be subject to the assessment work requirement, or the payment of maintenance fees, beginning in the next assessment year following the assessment year that the mineral entry was canceled.

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### § 3851.6 Assessment work not required for active duty military personnel.

Pursuant to the Soldiers' and Sailors' Relief Act (50 U.S.C. Appendix 565), a person entering active military service is exempt from the performance of annual assessment work under this subpart for each assessment year in which the service person is on active duty.

(a) To claim the exemption, the person entering active military service shall file, or cause to be filed with the proper BLM office, a notice of his or her entry into active military service. The notice shall be filed in the assessment year that the person entered active duty status.

(b) The filing of the notice exempts the person from performing assessment work or paying the maintenance fees until 6 months have passed from the person's release from active duty status, or until 6 months have passed from release from a military hospital, whichever is later.

(c) The performance of assessment work or the payment of maintenance fees shall resume in the assessment year beginning at least 6 months after the date the person was released from active duty or a military hospital, whichever is later.

(d) The notice shall be filed as a certified statement pursuant to section 3833.1-7 of this title, and shall list all mining claims and sites affected by claim name and BLM serial number.

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### Subpart 3852—Deferment of Assessment Work

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#### § 3852.0-3 Authority.

The Act of June 21, 1949 (63 Stat. 214; 30 U.S.C. 28b-c), provides for the temporary deferment in certain unavoidable contingencies of the performance of annual assessment work on mining claims held by location in the United States. The relief under this act is in addition to any other relief available under any other act of Congress with respect to the suspension of annual assessment work on mining claims.

#### § 3852.1 Conditions under which deferment may be granted.

The deferment may be granted where any mining claim or group of claims in the United States is surrounded by lands over which a right-of-way for the performance of assessment work has been denied or is in litigation or is in the process of acquisition under State law or where other legal impediments exist which affect the right of the claimant to enter upon the surface of such claim or group of claims or to gain access to the boundaries thereof.

#### § 3852.2 Filing of petition for deferment, contents.

(a) In order to obtain a deferment, the claimant shall file with the proper BLM office a petition in duplicate requesting such a deferment. No particular form of petition is required, but the applicant shall attach to one copy thereof a copy of the notice to the public required by 30 U.S.C. 28e showing that it has been filed or recorded in the local recording office in which the notices or certificates of location were filed or recorded. The petition and duplicate should be signed by at least one of the owners of each of the locations involved, shall give the names of the claims, dates of location, and the date of the beginning of the one-year period for which deferment is requested. Each petition shall be accompanied by a \$25 nonrefundable service charge.

(b) If the petition is based upon the denial of a right-of-way, it must state the nature and ownership of the land or

claim thereto over which it is necessary to obtain a right-of-way in order to reach the surrounded claims, and the land description thereof by legal subdivisions if the land is surveyed, and give full details as to why present use of the right-of-way is denied or prevented and as to the steps which have been taken to acquire the right to use it. The petition should state whether any other right-of-way is available and if so, give reasons why it is not feasible or desirable to use that right-of-way.

(c) If the petition is based on other legal impediments, they must be set out and their effect described in detail.

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**§ 3852.3 Notice of action on petition to be recorded.**

The claimant shall file or record, in the local recording office in which the notice of petition for deferment was filed or recorded, a copy of the order or decision of the BLM authorized officer disposing of the petition.

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**§ 3852.4 Period for which deferment may be granted.**

If the showing made is satisfactory, the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management will grant a deferment for an initial period not exceeding one year. The period shall begin on the date requested in the petition unless the approval sets a different date. Upon petition, the one year period may be renewed for another year if justifiable conditions exist. If the conditions justifying deferment are removed prior to the specified termination date of the deferment period, the deferment shall automatically be ended as of such earlier date.

**§ 3852.5 When deferred assessment work is to be done.**

All deferred assessment work may be begun at any time after the termination of the deferment but must be completed not later than the end of the assessment year commencing after the removal or cessation of the causes for the deferment or the expiration of any deferments granted under the act and

shall be in addition to the annual assessment work required by law for such year.

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