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REVISED: Work planned to begin on Long Valley Exploration Drilling Project

The Inyo National Forest announces that work on the Long Valley Exploration Drilling Project is expected to begin in two weeks.

The forest has received notification from the project proponent, KORE Mining, Ltd of their intent to begin exploratory drilling as early as Tuesday, November 30, 2021. Previously, work was expected to begin as early as Tuesday, November 16, 2021. Additionally, the project will proceed with limited activities.

The public should expect that heavy equipment including a drill rig will be on the roads near Whitmore Hot Springs and Antelope Springs Roads.

The project is approved based upon the proposed Plan of Operations submitted by KORE Mining, Ltd that is for mineral exploration only. An application has not been submitted or proposed for mineral extraction (mining).

On October 21, several organizations filed a complaint in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of California challenging the project. The case number is 2:21-cv-01955A.

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