## HISTORY OF MINING IN THE SOUTH PARK AREA AND SOCIAL ASPECTS OF MINING

*Terminology Define the following terms as they relate to mining* 

Brassing in/out -

Change house -

Grubstake –

High-grader –

Salting -

Black Lung (silicosis) -

Flumes –

## Arrastra –

## Questions

Answer the following questions related to the history of mining in the South Park area and social aspects of mining.

When was the South Park small pox epidemic?

What are boom and bust cycles? Name the time period of a few.

What was the Sherman Silver Purchase Act and what effect did it have on mining?

Describe transportation in Park County from the original gold rush through the automobile age. What was the impact of the railroad on mining?

What are some of the historic mining towns in Park County?

What impact did mining have on species? (Hint: endangered species greenback cutthroat trout)

What role did the Chinese workers play?

Why is South Park a Heritage Area and how did it become designated as a Heritage Area?

What are some societal impacts caused by mining?

Define sustainability and determine if mining or mine practices can be sustainable (BONUS).