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Robson's Mining
World

Hiking Trail
to the Black Tanks
and Petroglyphs
about 3 miles
round trip.

Rock cairns
are guide
to let
you know you
are on the trail.

Jaloba
bush

EXTENDED WALKING TOUR

- A. **Solar Panels.** A portion of the electricity at the Mining World is provided by this solar installation. There are no utility wires to mar the view or electric bills to pay.
- B. **Mine Superintendent's House.** This structure was the home of the superintendent of the Nella-Meda Mine. (Private residence)
- C. The **Chapel** is ideal for moments of meditation. The views are far reaching, ideal for a few moments of quiet reflection. The chapel, nondenominational, is a perfect setting for weddings or services.
- D. The **Crane** was used to lift buckets of ore. When crucibles, or fire pots, containing molten gold or silver were taken from the furnace the crane would lift the containers and pour the fluid metal into brick molds.
- E. **Rotary Pressure Blower.** Miners working as deep as the 4000 foot level of a mineshaft would gamble their lives on the dependability of this machine. It blew fresh air into the shafts and tunnels, allowing the men to breathe comfortably.
- F. The **Tractors** on exhibit were made between 1918 and 1940.
- G. This is an old processing **Mill** circa late 1920's and is still in operation.
- H. This **Shop** is being used as part of our restoration program. Many of the old machines used in the mining displays are restored here to full working order.
- I. This **1938 Sterling Truck** is a chain-driven ten-wheel model. It was used for heavy-duty work and hauled gold-bearing ore to the smelters of the Hillside, Congress, Stanton and Octave Mines.

Notice the big dents in the metal floor of the bed of the truck.
- J. The **Northwest Shovel** was used in surface mining to load big trucks with ore. Surface mining equipment does not have the charm of early mining machinery but it is impressive, massive and it got the job done.
- K. The large **Drag Bucket**, manufactured by ESCO, was used in placer mining operations. It received the Mining Award in 1958 as the largest bucket manufactured to that time.
- L. The **Sputter Wheel** is a well-drilling rig used in Wichita, KS in the 1800's.
- M. The **Fairbanks-Morse** generator is a 2-cylinder engine and was the first power generating plant in the town of Wickenburg, AZ in 1902.
- N. **Burros** were very important animals for the prospectors and miners searching for gold. They carried supplies and were also used to pull or operate mine machinery. They could also survive on desert plants.
- P. **Gold Panning.** Weaver Creek, at the base of Rich Hill, was once one of the most lucrative gold mining areas in Arizona. Sand from that area is brought to Robson's Mining World so visitors may pan in the long sluice. Tiny nuggets and flakes will appear for the diligent "miner". (By reservation only)
- Q. These two large **Portable Mills** could be moved to the site where gold was to be found. They have everything to process the gold.
- R. The **Case** is a steam tractor built by JI Case Threshing Machine Co. in Racine, WI around 1910. Two men were needed to operate this tractor.