

6/12/07 Workshop
Suction Dredge Mining
Deadline: 6/22/07 Noon

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To date, over 12,000 people have viewed the film "Finding Gold" and "Finding Gold 2" which can be downloaded easily:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2IPYg5U4P6s>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sWIGQxNMLdA>

by anyone with a computer via youtube. I would hope the movies would be shown in the committee, with the comments people have made about them. What business does the committee have in commenting on an activity I doubt the members have ever seen? These two videos in 9 minutes cover the whole operation from diving to cleanup of the gold.

As for my own comment on SB1032 -- of course I am not in favor of passing anything that deters suction dredge mining and the mercury it removes from our rivers and streams free of charge to the taxpayer!

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