

ASH MEADOWS RAILROAD, AMARGOSA VALLEY, CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA

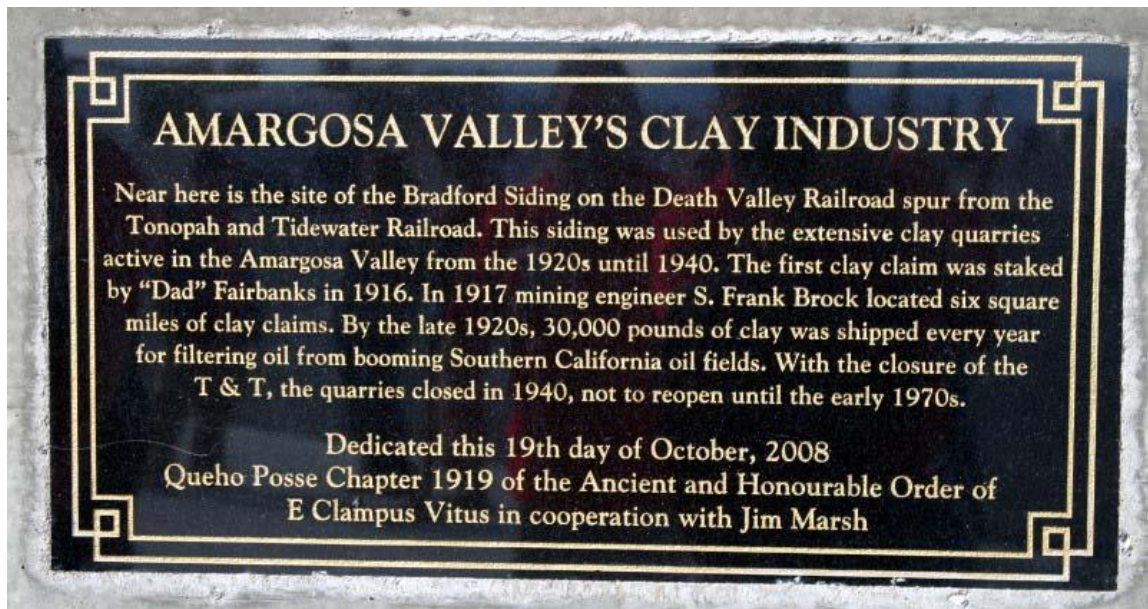
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INTRODUCTION

This report is part of a research project that describes the relationships between mines and railroads in the Mojave Desert and southwestern Great Basin. The collection can be accessed at <http://www.greggwilkerson.com/railroads.html>



Caption: Amargosa Valley lithium exploration. From bing.com. Accessed Feb. 3, 2024.

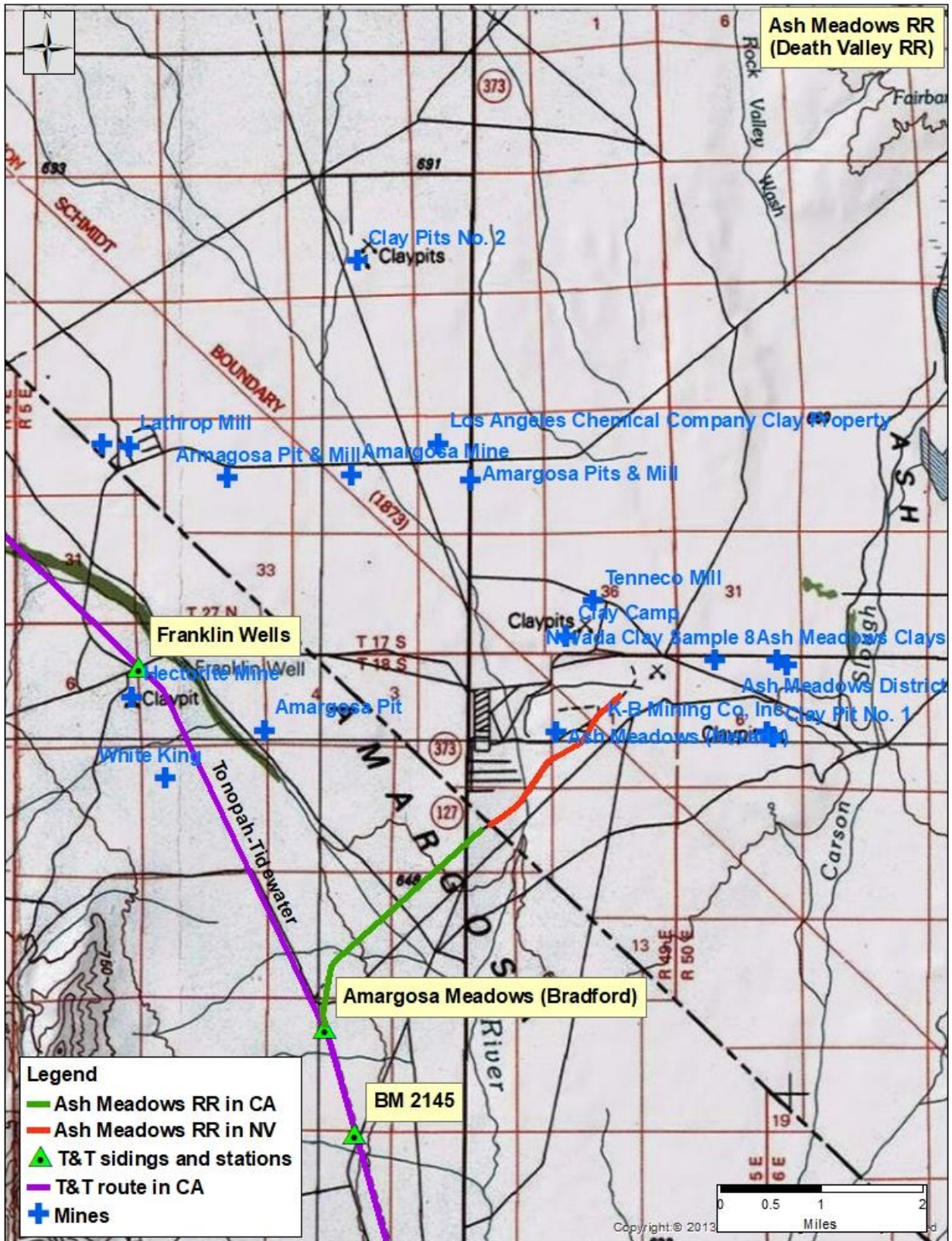


Caption: E Clampus Vitus Plaque, 2008. From <https://www.quehopause.org/index.php/plaques/30-amargosa-clay-mine> accessed Feb. 4, 2024

HISTORY

The Ash Meadows railroad is a spur line from the Tonopah-Tidewater railroad. It was part of the T&T subsidiary Death Valley Railroad (Myrick, 1963:608-622). Ash Meadows is in the Amargosa Valley. The line connected to the T&T at Bradford siding in California and went northwest, across the Nevada-California state line to the clay mines in Nevada. Ash Meadows had a ranch operated by Dad Fairbanks

who provided food services to the T&T (Myrick, 1963:602). Mines serviced by this line included the Clay Camp, Nevada Clay, Ash Meadows and Tenneco mines. Production started about 1918 and continues to today (Cornwall, 1972; Denney and Drews, 1965, Kral, 1951, Castor and others, 2006, Papke, 1970:23-34).



REFERENCES

All references in this report are listed at

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