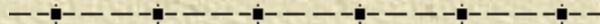






*Spanish Monument
Markers*


Southern Colorado Foothills
East of the Spanish Peaks






✦ This information is from a lady who researched Spanish Monument Markers and followed several to a cave where she found several bars of gold still there.

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- ✦ When the Spanish were in the Southwest, they enslaved Indians to mine gold.
 - ✦ The gold was so heavy it was stored in caves to be picked up later.
 - ✦ The king of Spain sent sculptors with the expedition to carve monument markers so that someone later could find the caves with marker maps to lead them.
 - ✦ Today these monuments are found throughout Colorado and Arizona.



✦ . Also, a standard or special list of "measurements were used on treasure/mine maps because Spain could not operate with hundreds of different codes, measurement and different monument/marker meanings when they were dealing with so many mines in the New World.

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- ✦ Two boulders leaning against each other would make a hole.
 - ✦ Looking through the hole should direct you further.
 - ✦ Many times a white boulder would be placed by the hole indicating the direction to travel.

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- ✦ An open eyed monument meant go in the direction it was looking.
 - ✦ A closed eyed monument said, “Look here”

*First Monument Marker I Found
on lot 79*



To me this looks like a squirrel



See numbers on face



★ #1 This is an open eyed monument. If there is only “one eye” then you should be on an inbound trail. (two eyed monuments are usually outward bound trails) Check the monument carefully for other markings which may provide other information. For example, #2 the ear looks like a triangle. If this is one of three monuments making up a triangle, you need to look for the other two. If two others are present, then you should find the center of all three. Possible place to dig... If two others are not present then you are probably still on the trail to a destination. If you feel you are still on the trail then look in the direction he is pointing towards for your next monument or trail marker.

★ Remember that trees and bushes have probably grown up around some of the monuments or trail markers you are looking for. So you may have to pull some back to get a clear look at some of the rock formations.

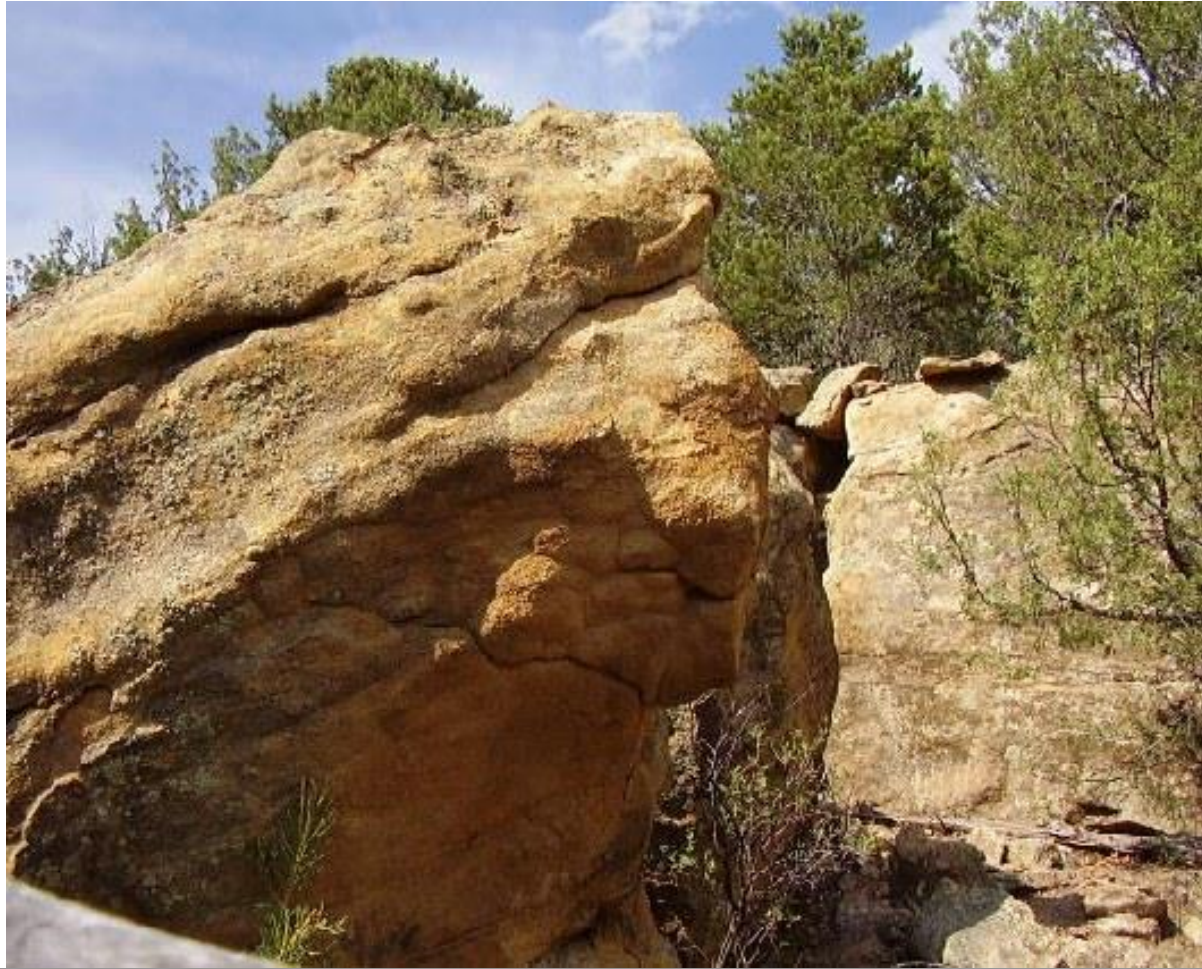
*Squirrel from another angle.
Notice the boulder it is leaning
against.*



This is behind the squirrel. The boulder and it form a hole.



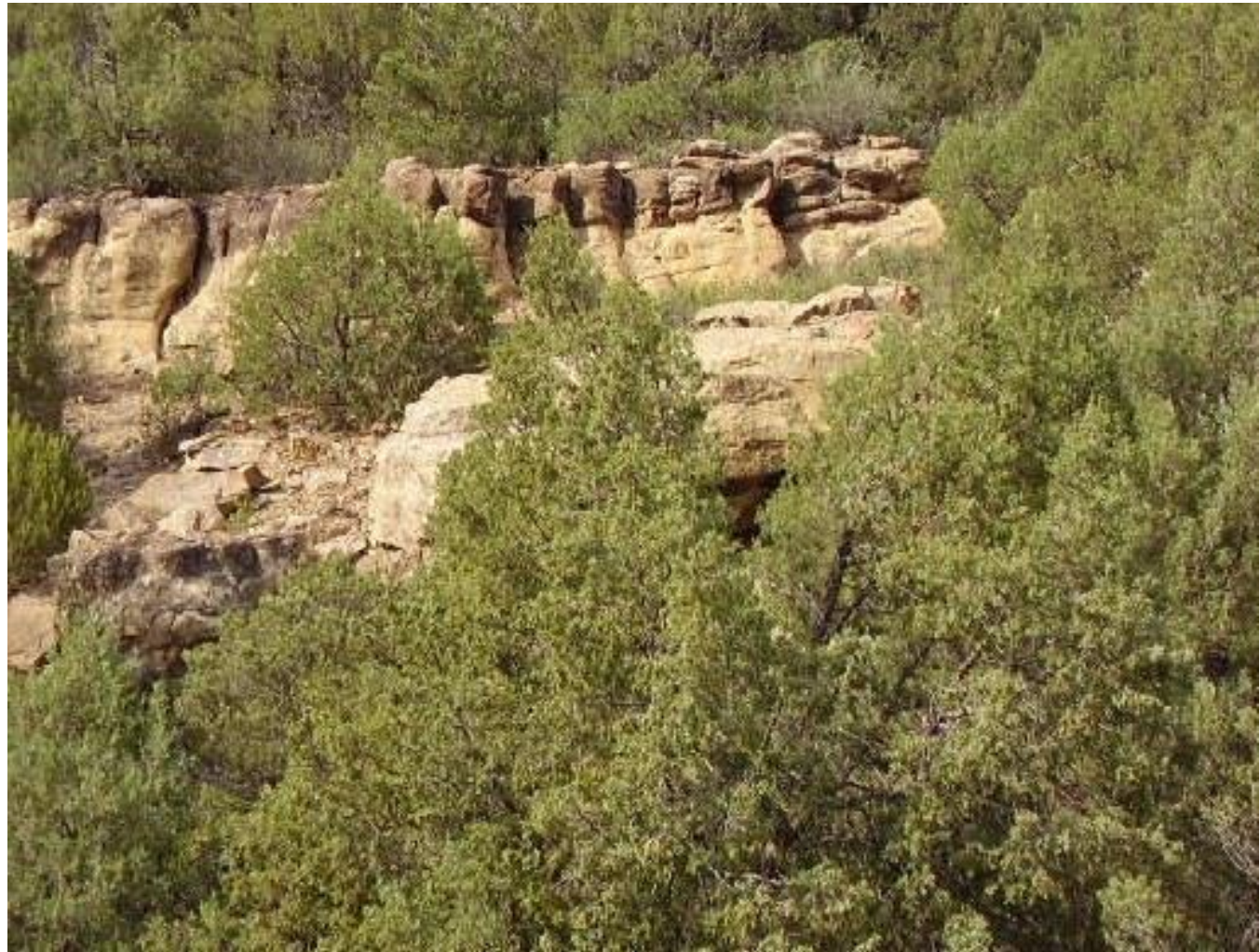
*The squirrel faces this lion head
which is a few yards away*



*A little way above the lion is this
boulder grouping with a hole*



Below the lion is a cave





Inside cave

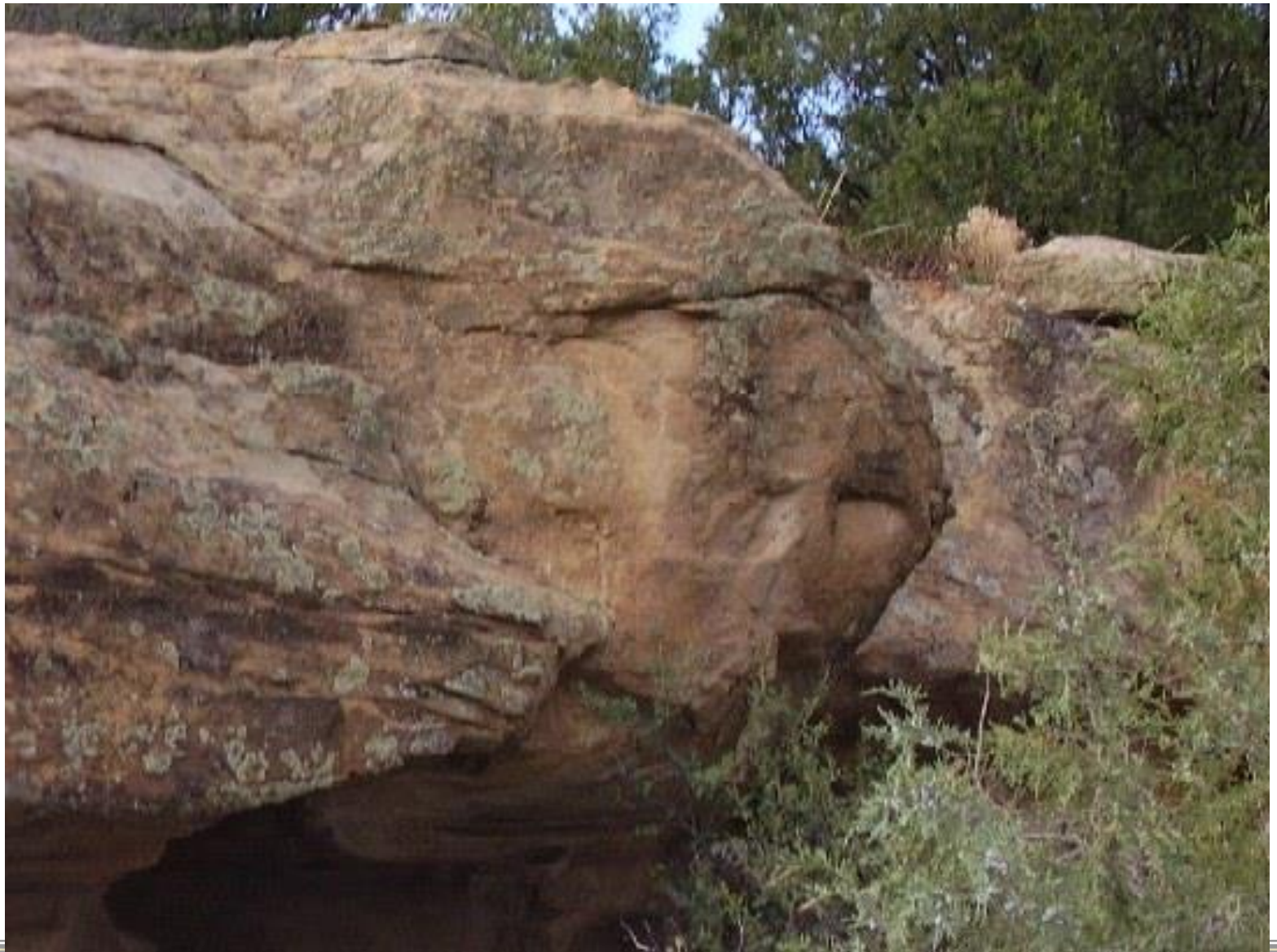




Look at the right end of the cave

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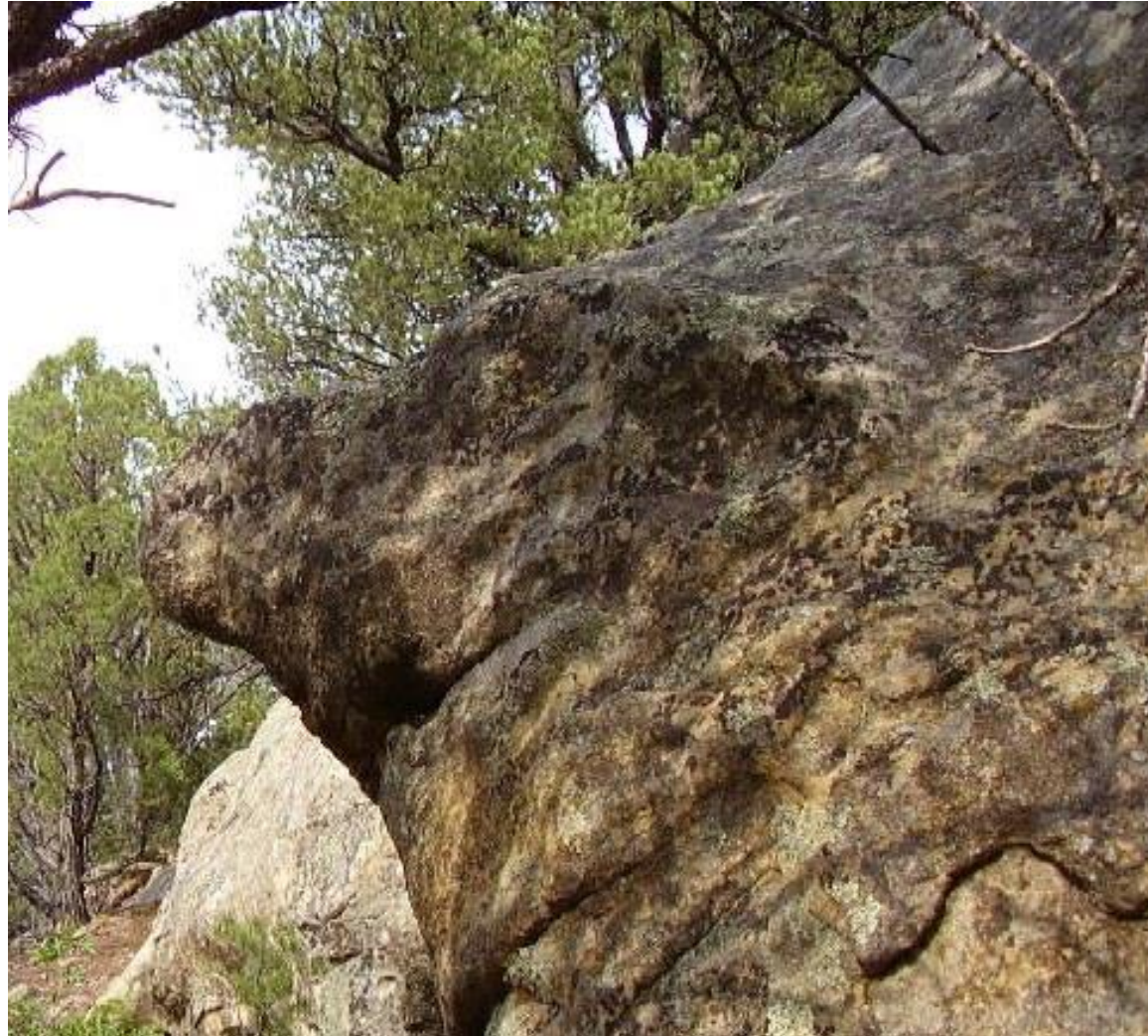




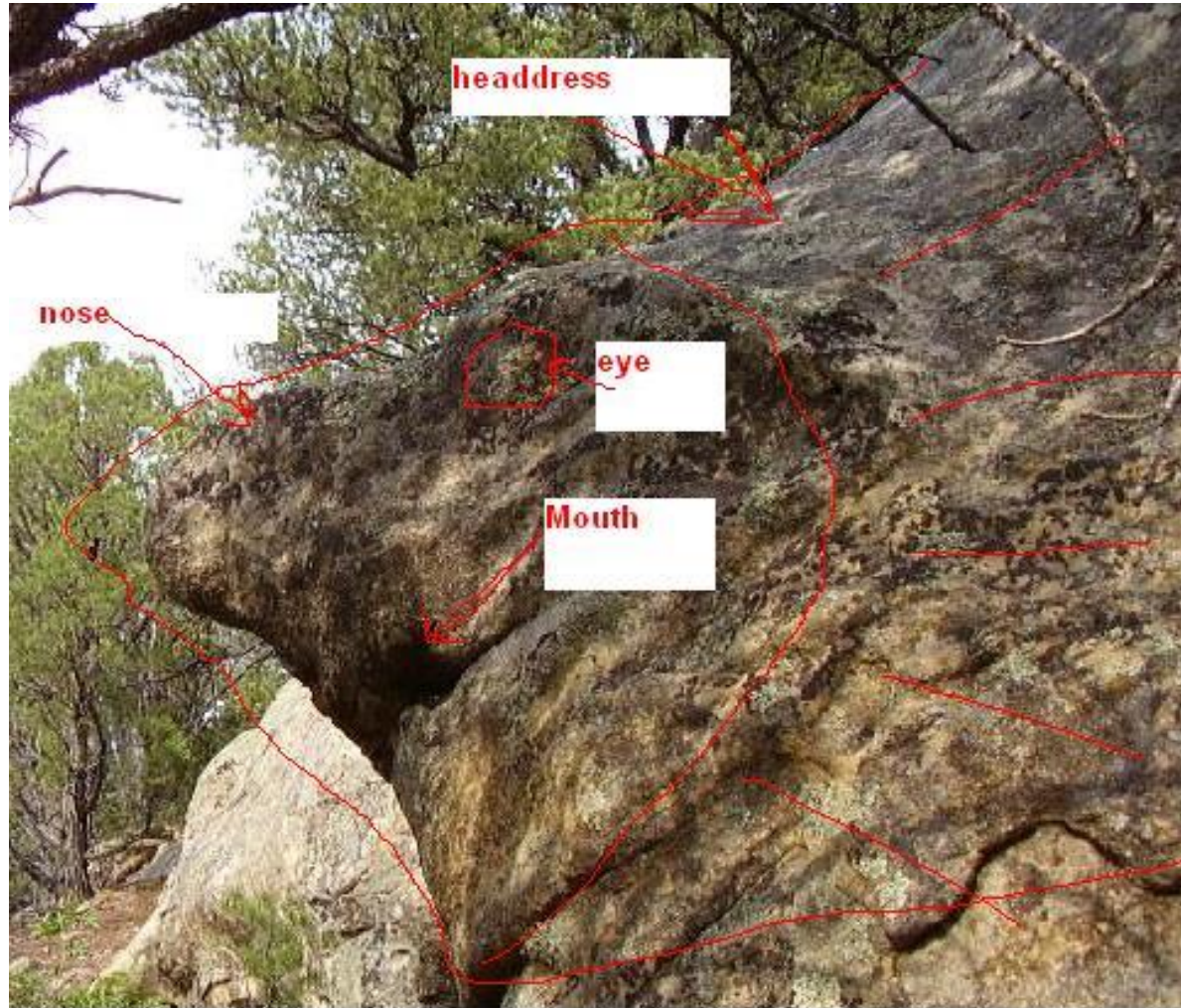
*What face on cave is looking at
about 10 yards away*



Where another canyon intersects



I see an Indian head



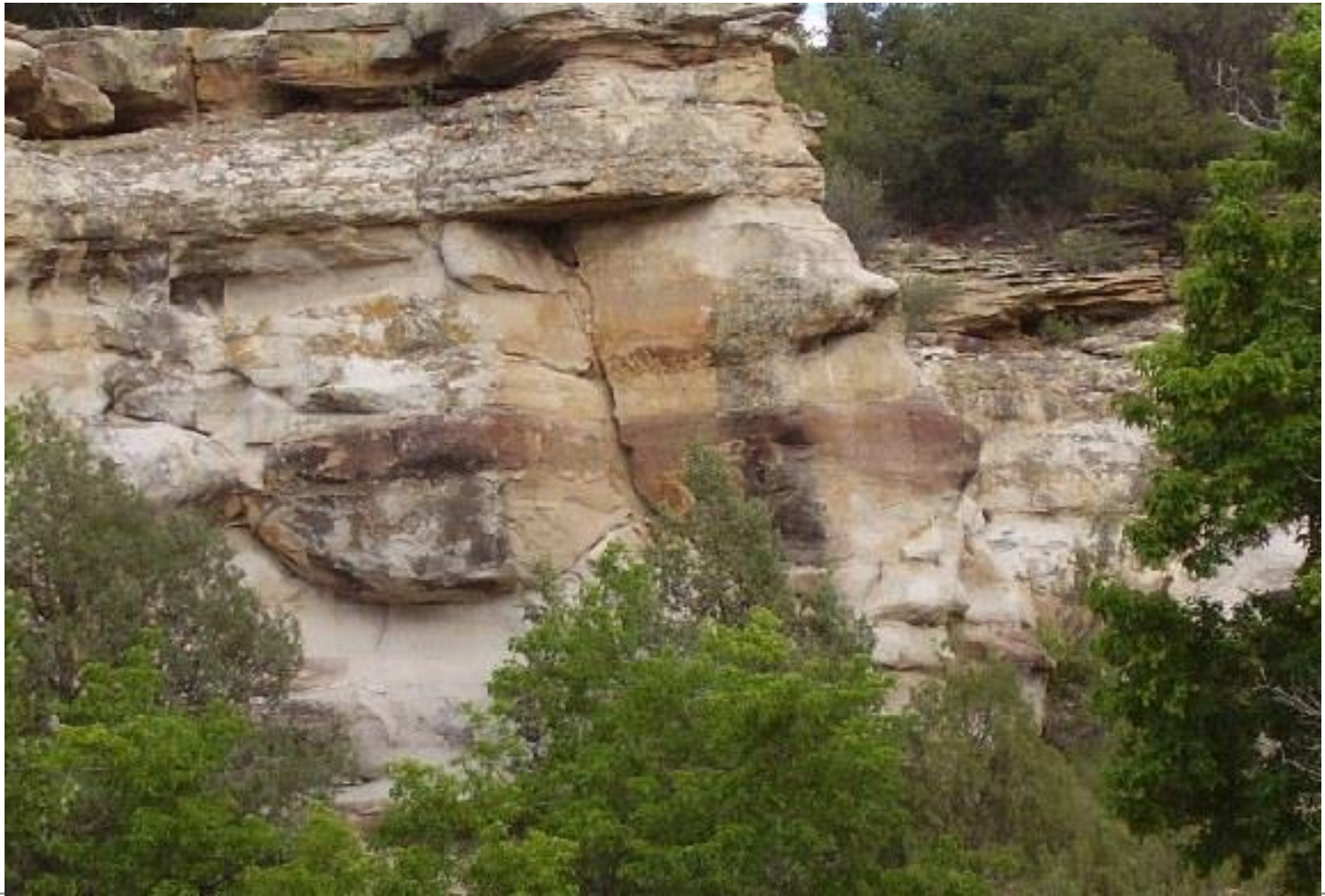
*This face is at beginning of canyon
lot 39*



Can you see a cat or lion face?



*This face is about a mile north;
looking across a valley to the canyon*



It is across from the mailboxes




Between dance hall and Silver Spur turn



This heart was found on side of our canyon





✦ A HEART IS THE SIGN/SYMBOL FOR
"GOLD" both on written, coded and
drawn maps as well as
TRAILMARKERS AND MONUMENTS

Heart from context



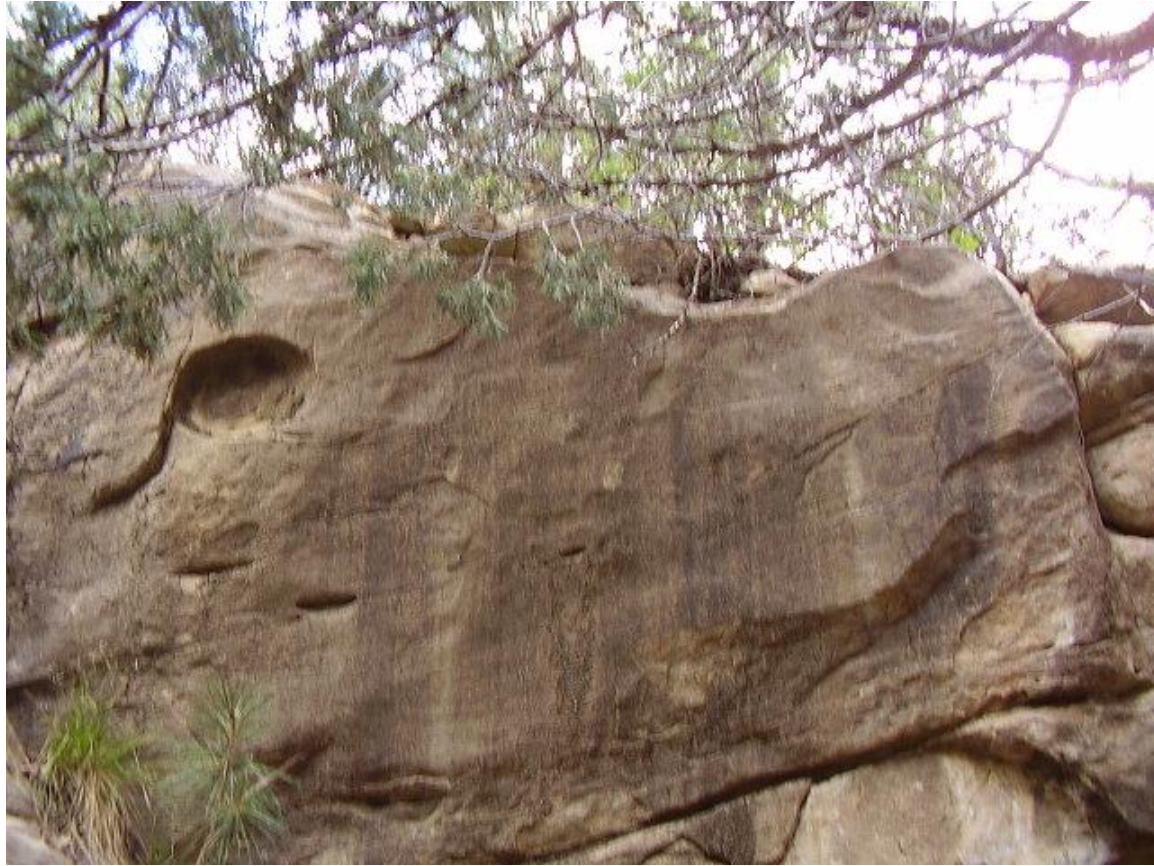
A few feet to right of heart



Looks like a turtle crying



Horse head a few feet farther on



Horse head outlined



Those three lead to this shelter cave



On right side of cave is bear head





7 carved teeth in bear's mouth



Farther back view of bear's mouth



Hi Charles,

You definitely have found a hidden site. What you have called a growling bear is actually a growling Guard Dog. These monuments are NOT found at every hidden mine. They are only carved for the purpose of protecting something of great value. In your instance I would say a large hidden cache or if your canyon is just off a well documented trail that would have been used often, then it could be a storage site to store the goods from mines from all around your area.

They liked canyons, especially box canyons for storage sites.

That it's on your property is absolutely wonderful but from here out you have to be extremely careful !

There will be death traps....

They never hid anything without trapping it.

*Turtles are telling you to go
slow.*

*Complete Hearts with no
broken lobes are telling you
will find the desire of you
heart nearby.*

The entrance can be a ways behind the Guard Dog, even 50 to 100 yards away but it will be there. It will be concealed and hard to find. Look for a carved U with possibly dots. The u will mean an entrance is nearby and the dots will advise of how many treasure rooms will be found in the tunnel system.

I would love to help you find it but not sure when I could get down. My mother lives with me and has cancer so my time away right now is limited.

Please feel free to send any and all photos to me of any carved rocks, signs or possible entrances and I will help all I can.

*Take care and be really careful.
Sydney*




Possible storage cave



Hole pointing to cave



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- ✦ This cave is about 4 feet high inside and 10 feet deep and wide. The floor is covered in deep dirt.
 - ✦ I used a metal detector, but got no hits.

Turtles Lead to Treasure: A Guide to Spanish Trail Monuments

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by ***Calvin C. Keys*** (Author)

- ✦ The Spanish mined and hid their treasures for more than two hundred years. They were creative geniuses leaving behind great works of art in the form of stone sculptures that not only marked trails but hidden treasures

**SPANISH MONUMENTS
& TRAILMARKERS TO**

TREASURE

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SPANISH TRAILHEAD ENTRANCE MONUMENT TO TREASURE



PACK MULE




CAMPSITE (BED & #7)



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Spanish mining in the Spanish Peaks:

- ✦ **One of the most famous legendary mines in the Huerfano region was known as the Lost Mexican Mine.**
- ✦ **Most any promising gold or silver vein would be identified as the possible Lost Mexican Mine. It was “found” not only on the Spanish Peaks, but on Greenhorn, on Silver Mountain, on the Blanca massif, Rough and Mestas mountains, in Huerfano and Las Animas counties. The possibilities were as endless as the mountains themselves, and each new mineral strike could prove to be the elusive lost mine. One candidate for this legendary mine was also called variously the Mummy Mine, Broken Toe Cave and other names.**



✦ Wherever the Lost Mexican Mine really was, there was plenty of evidence of gold leaving the Spanish Peaks country bound for Mexico City, and, later, the eastern United States. Mexican legends tell a story of Fray Juan de la Cruz mining the Spanish Peaks area in 1541. Gold nuggets found beside an ancient trail in 1811 were thought to be from this mine. A story persists of the Arapahoe Princess Treasure. This one centers on 50-pound gold bars the Spanish “lost” when they buried them while fleeing with some Arapahoe enemy warriors. Only two Spaniards survived to relate the story of their lost wealth. The gold bars, they said, were buried near a 30-foot tall rock shaped like a doll, or muñeca in Spanish. Many years later, a farmer reported he’d found it, he just couldn’t remember where. La Muñeca has been located in several places, including near La Veta and near Aguilar. For all interested, the Lost Mexican Mine remains lost.