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## News Advisory

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### Free entrance to Kennecott's Bingham Canyon Mine Visitors Center between July 16-25

*Visit one of Utah's most popular attractions for all ages*



**What:** Free admission to see the Kennecott Utah Copper's Bingham Canyon Mine Visitors Center

**Who:** Kennecott Utah Copper's Bingham Canyon Mine Visitors Center is a perfect summer activity for adults, children and teens. Whether it's watching haul trucks the size of houses deliver copper ore to the in-pit crusher or standing at the overlook and feeling the breathtaking and awesome magnitude of the mine, visiting the mine will prove to be an unforgettable experience for the whole family.

**Why:** The Visitors Center is one of Utah's most popular attractions welcoming more than 2.7 million visitors since 1992. It features educational and hands-on displays about how Kennecott produces copper, gold, silver and molybdenum – which are essential to creating the products used in everyday life. The Center also features historical collections, educational exhibits and interactive kiosks about the operation. Visitors can also enjoy a 16-minute film on the mine's history and the process for producing copper.

**When: July 16-25 - Passenger vehicles and mini-vans receive free admission.** Open daily through October, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. with last car entry at 7:15 p.m. For additional details, see [www.kennecott.com](http://www.kennecott.com) or call 801-204-2025.

Tour buses (\$50) and mini-tour buses (\$25) remain at their fee rate throughout the season and require an entry form. Outside of the free days, the regular rate for passenger vehicles is \$5 per car. All fees are donated to local charities.

**Where:**

Kennecott Utah Copper's Bingham Canyon Mine

8400 West (Hwy.111) 12300 South

To view or print a map of the mine, visit [www.kennecott.com](http://www.kennecott.com)



Editorial Note: For images of the Bingham Canyon Mine Visitors Center and mine overlook, visit [www.flickr.com/photos/riotinto-utah](http://www.flickr.com/photos/riotinto-utah)

**About Kennecott Utah Copper**

As the second largest copper producer in the United States, Kennecott Utah Copper provides about 18-25 percent of the U.S.'s copper needs. Kennecott's Bingham Canyon Mine is the largest man-made excavation in the world. It is one of the top producing copper mines in the world with production at more than 18.7 million tons. Every year, Kennecott produces approximately 300,000 tons of copper, along with 500,000 ounces of gold, 4 million ounces of silver, about 30 million pounds of molybdenum, and about 1 million tons of sulfuric acid, a byproduct of the smelting process. Rio Tinto purchased Kennecott Utah Copper in 1989 and has invested about \$2 billion in the modernization of KUC's operations. KUC has also spent more than \$350 million on the cleanup of historic mining waste and \$100 million on groundwater cleanup. Rio Tinto employs 2,400 people and hundreds of contractors in Utah.

[www.kennecott.com](http://www.kennecott.com).

**About Rio Tinto**

Rio Tinto is a leading international mining group headquartered in the United Kingdom, combining Rio Tinto plc, a London and NYSE listed company, and Rio Tinto Limited, which is listed on the Australian Securities Exchange.

Rio Tinto's business is finding, mining, and processing mineral resources.

Major products are aluminium, copper, diamonds, energy (coal and uranium), gold, industrial minerals (borax, titanium dioxide, salt, talc) and iron ore.

Activities span the world but are strongly represented in Australia and North America with significant businesses in South America, Asia, Europe and Southern Africa. [www.riotinto.com](http://www.riotinto.com).

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