

Hardrock Mining²⁰¹²

Advancing Solutions for a New Legacy

April 3-5, 2012 • Denver, CO

CONFERENCE AGENDA

Day 1 – Tuesday, April 3, 2012

7:30 AM – Registration & Name Badge Pickup (*Colorado Ballroom Foyer – Banquet Level*)
5:00 PM

Colorado Ballroom C/D

Plenary Session

Session Chairs: Douglas Grosse and David Reisman, U.S. EPA/ORD/NRMRL

8:30 AM – 8:50 AM	Greetings and Opening Remarks – Doug Grosse, Conference Co-Chair, Senior Environmental Engineer, National Risk Management Research Laboratory (NRMRL), Office of Research and Development (ORD), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
8:50 AM – 9:10 AM	EPA Region 8 Legacy Mining Successes – Management Perspectives – Martin Hestmark, Acting Assistant Regional Administrator, Office of Environmental Protection and Remediation, Region 8, U.S. EPA
9:10 AM – 9:40 AM	The Mining Legacy and EPA ORD: Past, Present and into the Future – David Reisman, Director, Engineering Technical Support Center, NRMRL, ORD, U.S. EPA
9:40 AM – 10:00 AM	Break (<i>Colorado Ballroom A/B</i>)
10:00 AM – 10:30 AM	The Big Five Tunnel Project: Long-Term Lessons – Thomas Wildeman, Professor Emeritus, Chemistry and Geochemistry, Colorado School of Mines
10:30 AM – 11:00 AM	Superfund and Mining Sites: A Review of the Past and Observations Concerning the Future – Roger Olsen, Ph.D., Sr. Vice President, CDM Smith
11:00 AM – 11:30 AM	Legacy of Innovative Remediation – Edward Bates, Remediation Consultant, U.S. EPA (retired)

11:30 AM – Lunch (*on your own*)
1:00 PM

Track A (Colorado Ballroom C)

Track B (Colorado Ballroom D)

	1 Case Studies Session Chair: Joy Jenkins, Ph.D., U.S. EPA Region 8	2 Innovative Technology and Techniques Session Chair: Robert Weber, U.S. EPA/ORD/OSP
1:00 PM – 1:30 PM	A Multiple Tracer/Geochemical Approach to Characterizing Water and Contaminant Movement Through Abandoned Mine Workings Near Rico, Colorado – Mike Wireman, U.S. EPA Region 8	MiniSipper: A New, High-Capacity, Long-Duration, Automated In-Situ Water Sampler for Acid Mine Drainage Monitoring at the Pennsylvania and Standard Mines, CO – Thomas Chapin, Ph.D., U.S. Geological Survey
1:30 PM – 2:00 PM	Acid Mine Drainage Source Control Program Design Investigation Upper Tenmile Creek Mining Area Superfund Site, Rimini, Montana – Angela Frandsen, CDM Smith	Identification and Quantification of Arsenic Species in Gold Mine Wastes Using Synchrotron-based X-ray Techniques – Andrea Foster, Ph.D., U.S. Geological Survey WMESC
2:00 PM – 2:30 PM	Improving Remediation Planning through Effective Mine Material Delineation, Formosa Mine Superfund Site, Douglas County, Oregon – Mark Nelson, CDM Smith	Microanalytical Techniques to Understand Element Leaching from Ore Minerals in Mining Wastes – Sharon Diehl, Ph.D., U.S. Geological Survey

2:30 PM – 3:00 PM **Break (Colorado Ballroom A/B)**

Track A (Colorado Ballroom C)

Track B (Colorado Ballroom D)

	3 Case Studies (cont.) Session Chair: Joy Jenkins, Ph.D., U.S. EPA Region 8	4 Innovative Technology and Techniques (cont.) Session Chair: Robert Weber, U.S. EPA/ORD/OSP
3:00 PM – 3:30 PM	A Proposed Semi-Passive Treatment System at Remote AML Sites – Robert Lambeth, Millennium Science & Engineering, Inc.	Using Acid Mine Drainage Sludge to Remove Phosphorus and Other Metal Oxyanions from Waste Water – Philip Sibrell, Ph.D., U.S. Geological Survey - Leetown Science Center
3:30 PM – 4:00 PM	Captain Jack Mine Superfund Site Subsurface Remedy: Pre-Design Investigation Results and Preliminary Design – Craig Weber, AMEC E&I	Results from a Bench Scale Passive Treatment System Designed for Removing Sulfate at a Site on Vancouver Island, British Columbia – Eric Blumenstein, Golder Associates, Inc.
4:00 PM – 4:30 PM	Case Studies in Mine Closure and Acid Rock Drainage Management at Rio Tinto – Victoria Peacey, Rio Tinto	Engineered Pumpable pHoam™: A New Innovative Method for Mitigating ARD – James Gusek, Golder Associates, Inc.

4:30 PM - 6:00 PM **Poster Session I**
(Colorado Ballroom A/B)

Day 2 – Wednesday, April 4, 2012

7:30 AM – Registration & Name Badge Pickup (*Colorado Ballroom Foyer – Banquet Level*)
5:00 PM

	Track A (<i>Colorado Ballroom C</i>)	Track B (<i>Colorado Ballroom D</i>)
	5 Remediation and Stabilization Using Natural Materials Session Chair: Michele Mahoney, U.S. EPA/OSWER/OSRTI	6 Monitoring and Treatment Session Chair: Erna Waterman, U.S. EPA Region 8
8:30 AM – 9:00 AM	Using Organic Amendments and Agronomy in Remediation of Hardrock Mining Sites – Rufus Chaney, Ph.D., USDA-Agricultural Research Service	Thallium Removal Strategies through Modification of Conventional Metal Hydroxide Precipitation Plants – Katherine Vatterrodt, Colorado School of Mines
9:00 AM – 9:30 AM	The Effect of Tailings Characteristics on Cover System Success – Monisha Banerjee, Ph.D., GeoSystems Analysis, Inc.	The Biotic Ligand Model: Unresolved Scientific Issues and Site- and Species-Specific Effects on Predicted Cu Toxicity – Jeffrey Morris, Ph.D., Stratus Consulting Inc.
9:30 AM – 10:00 AM	Scaling Phytostabilization from Greenhouse to Field-Scale at the Iron King Mine-Humboldt Smelter Superfund Site – Juliana Gil-Loaiza, University of Arizona	Water-Quality and Streamflow Time Trends, Upper Clear Creek Watershed (Colorado) - Systematic Long-Term Monitoring Fulfills a Range of Information Needs – Timothy Steele, Ph.D., TDS Consulting Inc.

10:00 AM – Break (*Colorado Ballroom A/B*)
10:30 AM

	Track A (<i>Colorado Ballroom C</i>)	Track B (<i>Colorado Ballroom D</i>)
	7 Remediation and Stabilization Using Natural Materials (cont.) Session Chair: Michele Mahoney, U.S. EPA/OSWER/OSRTI	8 Monitoring and Treatment (cont.) Session Chair: Erna Waterman, U.S. EPA Region 8
10:30 AM – 11:00 AM	The Use of Municipal Biosolids on Hard Rock Mining Restoration Efforts: Results of a Long-term Field Trial – Rick Black, Environ International Corporation	Mine Water Treatment Strategies Resolution Copper Mining and the Eagle Project – Casey McKeon, Ph.D., Resolution Copper Company
11:00 AM – 11:30 AM	Soil Treatment at the California Gulch NPL Site for Vegetation Reestablishment and Mitigation of Metal Mobility – Stuart Jennings, Reclamation Research Group, LLC	Mine Dewatering and Water Management at Barrick Goldstrike Mine in the Carlin Trend, Nevada – Johnny Zhan, Ph.D., Barrick Gold of North America, Inc.
11:30 AM – 12:00 PM	Post-Reclamation Soil Phytotoxicity and Land Management at the Anaconda Smelter NPL Site – Robert Rennick, CDM Smith	ARD Remediation with Slag: An Application to Berkeley Pitlake Water – Courtney Young, Ph.D., Montana Tech of the University of Montana

12:00 PM – Lunch (*on your own*)
1:30 PM

Track A (Colorado Ballroom C)

Track B (Colorado Ballroom D)

	9 Engineered Covers and Capping Session Chair: Douglas Grosse, U.S. EPA/ORD/NRMRL	10 Metals and Metalloids Session Chair: Barbara Butler, Ph.D., U.S. EPA/ORD/NRMRL
1:30 PM – 2:00 PM	Ten-Year Performance Evaluation of the Evapotranspiration Cover at Barrick Goldstrike Mine’s AA Leach Pad – Mike Milczarek, GeoSystems Analysis, Inc.	The Increasing Importance of Biomonitoring Data to Interpret Changing Risk Estimates for Legacy Mining Communities – Rosalind Schoof, Ph.D., ENVIRON International Corporation
2:00 PM – 2:30 PM	Characterization and Selection of Waste Rock Borrow Material for Use as Rock Armor to Reduce Tailing Impoundment Side-slope Erosion – Jason Keller, GeoSystems Analysis, Inc.	Long-Term Monitoring and Metal Bioaccumulation Modeling Provide Important Feedback Related to Remediation in the Clark Fork River, MT – Michelle Hornberger, Ph.D., U.S. Geological Survey
2:30 PM – 3:00 PM	Preliminary Design of Water Balance Covers: A Method Based on the ACAP Data Set – William Albright, Ph.D., Desert Research Institute	Evaluating the Bioavailability, Bioaccessibility, Mineralogy, and Speciation of Arsenic in Mine Waste and Soils, Empire Mine Low-sulfide Gold-quartz Vein Deposit, Nevada County, California – Charles Alpers, Ph.D., U.S. Geological Survey

3:00 PM – 3:30 PM **Break (Colorado Ballroom A/B)**

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	11 Rare Earth Elements Session Chair: Gwen Campbell, U.S. EPA Region 8	12 Sustainability / Life Cycle Session Chair: Carol Russell, U.S. EPA Region 8
3:30 PM – 4:00 PM	Rare Earth Elements: A Review of Production, Processing, Recycling, and Associated Environmental Issues – Robert Weber, U.S. EPA, ORD, OSP located in Region 7	Hardrock Mining within a Sustainable Development Context – Terrence Chatwin, Ph.D., INAP
4:00 PM – 4:30 PM	Geologic and Environmental Characteristics of Rare Earth Element Deposit Types Found in the United States – Robert Seal, II, Ph.D., U.S. Geological Survey	Predicting and Managing Waste Impacts through a Holistic and Life-of-Mine Geomet Application – Karin Olson Hoal, Ph.D., JKTech Pty Ltd.
4:30 PM – 5:00 PM	Research Initiatives in Recycling and Substitutes of Rare Earth Elements – Michael McKittrick, Ph.D., U.S. EPA, ORD, NCER, TED	Life Cycle Assessment Analysis for Active and Passive Acid Mine Drainage Treatment Options for the Stockton Coal Mine, New Zealand – James Stone, Ph.D., South Dakota School of Mines and Technology

5:00 PM - 6:30 PM **Poster Session II (Colorado Ballroom A/B)**

Day 3 – Thursday, April 5, 2012

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	Track A (<i>Colorado Ballroom C</i>)	Track B (<i>Colorado Ballroom D</i>)
	13 Case Studies Session Chair: Joy Jenkins, Ph.D., U.S. EPA Region 8	14 Opportunities for Re-Use and Site Management Session Chair: Shahid Mahmud, U.S. EPA/OSWER/OSRTI
8:00 AM – 8:30 AM	Blue Ledge Mine Superfund Site Removal Action, Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest – Pete Jones, U.S. Forest Service, Pacific Northwest Region	What Is Environmental Stewardship and How Can It Be Profitable in the Mining Industry? – Randy Brandt, Geosyntec Consultants
8:30 AM – 9:00 AM	Managing Mine Slimes - Jack Waite Mine Remedial Action – Todd Bragdon, CDM Smith	Abandoned Mine Reclamation Planning at French Gulch, Breckenridge, CO and the Launching of a New Booklet Series and Legacy Site Web-Portal – Alan Berger, Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Victor Ketellapper, U.S. EPA Region 8
9:00 AM – 9:30 AM	Screening and Cleanup Procedures for Libby Amphibole Contaminated Property in Libby, MT – Mike Cirian, U.S. EPA	Recycling and Utilization of Mine Tailings as Construction Material through Geopolymerization – Lianyang Zhang, Ph.D., University of Arizona

9:30 AM – Break (*Colorado Ballroom A/B*)
10:00 AM

	<i>Colorado Ballroom C/D</i>	
	15 Opportunities for Re-Use and Site Management (cont.) Session Chair: Shahid Mahmud, U.S. EPA/OSWER/OSRTI	
10:00 AM – 10:10 AM	Session Introduction – Shahid Mahmud, U.S. EPA/OSWER/OSRTI	
10:10 AM – 10:40 AM	Economic Recovery of Zinc from Mining Influenced Water – Kathleen Whysner, Colorado School of Mines	
10:40 AM – 11:10 AM	Using Mine Scarred Lands for Future Renewable Energy Projects – Timothy Rehder, U.S. EPA Region 8	
11:10 AM – 11:40 AM	Brazil Millsite: Brownfield to Brightfield Renewable Energy Engineering Design Project – Ed Rapp and Diane Kielty, Clear Creek Watershed Foundation	
11:40 PM – 12:00 PM	Closing Remarks	

POSTER PRESENTATIONS

Poster Session I: Tuesday, April 3, 2012

Legacy Mining Issues

- 1 **PCBs Mining and Water Pollution** – Dan Bench, U.S. EPA Region 8
- 2 **Losing Our Nation's Mining Heritage – A New Perspective** – J. Harrison Daniel, Ph.D., Retired
- 3 **LiDAR and Multispectral Studies of Legacy Mining-Disturbed Lake Superior Coastal Environments** – W. Charles Kerfoot, Ph.D., Michigan Technological University
- 4 **Arsenic Distribution in Sediment and Pore Waters of the Historical Mining-Impacted Belle Fourche and Cheyenne River Floodplains, South Dakota** – James Stone, Ph.D., South Dakota School of Mines and Technology
- 5 **Dietary Bioavailability of Cu Bound to Synthetic Hydrous Ferric Oxides** – Daniel Cain, U.S. Geological Survey
- 6 **Ecological Risk Assessment at the Libby Asbestos Superfund Site, Operable Unit 3** – Dan Wall, Ph.D., U.S. EPA Region 8
- 7 **Burlington Mine Voluntary Clean-Up: An Ecological Approach to Historic Mine Site Remediation** – Maureen O'Shea-Stone, Walsh Environmental Scientists and Engineers, LLC
- 8 **CERCLA Removal Action at the Rainy Mine, Washington** – Robert Lambeth, Millennium Science & Engineering, Inc.
- 9 **Remedial Investigation Challenges at the Former Zonolite Vermiculite Mine in Libby, Montana** – Christina Progress, U.S. EPA Region 8
- 10 **Assessing the Effectiveness of Hardrock Mine Regulation, Reclamation and Financial Assurances: What is the "bottom line"?** – Joseph Baird, Baird Hanson Williams LLP

Innovative Technology and Techniques

- 11 **Integrated Resource Assessments: A Framework to Consider the Potential Consequences of Mineral Resource Development** – Katherine Walton-Day, Ph.D., U.S. Geological Survey
- 12 **Mining Waste Treatment Technology Selection: A Web Based Approach for Remediating Mine Sites** – Paul Eger, Golder Associates Inc.
- 13 **A Multi-Phased Approach for Deep Tunnel Detection at a Gold Mine Remediation Site** – Nicole Pendrigh, Zonge International, Inc.

Best Management Practices to Achieve Remediation Objectives

- 14 **Laboratory and Greenhouse Evaluation of the Effects of Enhanced Oxidation and Various Amendments on Sediment Chemical Properties, Plant Growth, and Plant Tissue Metals Concentrations** – Frank Hons, Ph.D., Texas A&M University
- 15 **How OSM/VISTA Volunteers Facilitate Stakeholder Input and Collaboration** – Rachel Folk, Western Hardrock Watershed Team
- 16 **Development of Aquatic-Mining Ecosystem Models Using Computational Intelligence** – Michael Friedel, Ph.D., U.S. Geological Survey
- 17 **Connectivity Mapping Among Variables in a Mining-Aquatic Ecosystem** – Michael Friedel, Ph.D., U.S. Geological Survey

Water Quality, Water Management and Water Treatment

- 1 Water-Quality and Streamflow Time Trends, Upper Clear Creek Watershed (Colorado) - Systematic Long-Term Monitoring Fulfills a Range of Information Needs** – Timothy Steele, Ph.D., TDS Consulting Inc.
- 2 A Remote High-Altitude Pilot Treatment System for Mining-Impacted Waters** – Ram Ramaswami, Ph.D., Pacific Western Technologies, Ltd.
- 3 Electro-Catalytic Flux Technology for Treatment of Mining Waste Water** – William Roper, Ph.D., George Mason University
- 4 Use of Hyper-spectral Remote Sensing Systems for Monitoring Mining Operations** – William Roper, Ph.D., George Mason University
- 5 Metal and Arsenic Levels in Drinking Water at Two Montana Superfund Sites** – Dennis Neuman, Reclamation Research Group, LLC
- 6 Constructed Wetland Treatment Systems for Mine Drainage—Can They Really Provide Green and Sustainable Solutions?** – Paul Eger, Golder Associates Inc.
- 7 Assessing Bioremediation of Acid Mine Drainage in Coal Mining Sites Using a Predictive Neural Network-Based Decision Support System (NNDSS)** – Victor Ibeanusi, Ph.D., Spelman College

Abandoned Mine Land Issues

- 8 Synoptic Sampling with Replication: Assessing Uncertainty in Estimates of Instream Constituent Loads, Peru Creek, Colorado** – Robert Runkel, U.S. Geological Survey
- 9 Do Jarosite Minerals Generate Acid in Legacy Mining Wastes?** – Kathleen Smith, Ph.D., U.S. Geological Survey
- 10 Remediation Case Study for Fluvial Deposits and Mountain Meadows at the California Gulch NPL Site** – Jan Christner, URS Operating Services, Inc.
- 11 Solute-Transport Modeling to Assist Understanding of the Potential Effects of Remediation, Implementation of Total Maximum Daily Loads, and Pre-Mining Conditions** – Katherine Walton-Day, Ph.D., U.S. Geological Survey
- 12 Establishing Site-Specific Background for Abandoned Mined Lands on a Watershed Scale** – Michelle Havey, Hart Crowser, Inc.
- 13 Controlling Adit Discharge at the Upper Tenmile Creek Superfund Site, Rimini, Montana** – David Shanight, CDM Smith
- 14 Using Time-Series Tripod LiDAR to Quantify the Eroded Volume of Mercury-Contaminated Sediment from Historical Gold Mining in California** – J. F. Howle, U.S. Geological Survey
- 15 Characterization of Mercury and Methylmercury Contamination in Stream and Pond Environments and Provenance of Mine Waste from Historical Gold Mining in the Sierra Nevada, California** – Charles Alpers, Ph.D., U.S. Geological Survey

Modern Mining Applications

- 16 Biomining Metal Optimization and the Role of Thermoacidophiles** – Tyler Johnson, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
- 17 Mercury Bioaccessibility Associated with Calcine Waste in McDermitt, Nevada** – Mark Marvin-DiPasquale, Ph.D., U.S. Geological Survey

Restoration

- 18 **Implementation of In-Situ Remediation and Revegetation of Mine Tailings** – John DeAngelis, Pacific Western Technologies, Ltd. and Clay Combrink, Frontier Environmental Services, Inc.
- 19 **Influence of Phytostabilization on Bacterial Biomass and Nitrogen Cycling Activities in Acidic Metalliferous Mine Tailings** – Karis Nelson, University of Arizona