

**Evaluation Form - 2025**

1. **Please rate your overall experience at the Conference:**

[ ]  ***Dissatisfied***

[ ]  ***Satisfied***

[ ]  ***Very Satisfied***

2. **How likely are you to attend this Conference again:**

[ ]  ***Very Unlikely***

[ ]  ***Likely***

[ ]  ***Very Likely***

**Please select those presentations that met your professional needs**.

**Tuesday, May 13**

[ ]  **Keynote Speaker**: **A New Day for Mining in America?**

Mark Compton, American Exploration & Mining Association

**Legal Session**

[ ]  **MEPA/NEPA Coordination: Lessons Learned from the Joint EIS Process**

Millie Olsen, Montana DEQ

[ ]  **Proof of Concept: The Good Samaritan Pilot Program**

Jake Dillon, Crowley Fleck

**Interesting Topics Session**

[ ]  **Upper Clark Fork River State of the Fishery and Ongoing Investigations of Limiting Factors**

 Caleb Uerling, Montana Fish Wildlife & Parks

[ ]  **Case Study of a Very Large Sand and Gravel Sale from Benton City, Washington**

Sarah Doyle, LG, BLM

**15 Years of Ninemile Basin Remediation Bunker Hill Superfund Site Session**

[ ]  **Part 1: Ninemile Basin Background and Investigation Approach**

Kyle Richards, Coeur d’Alene Trust and Alan Hughes, Maul Foster & Alongi

[ ]  **Part 2: Siting Design of the EFNM Waste Consolidation Area**

Tausha Miller, CDM Smith

[ ]  **Part 3**: **Overview of Source Site Design and Remediation Construction Elements**

Tony Wesche, Pioneer Technical Services

[ ]  **Part 4**: **Ninemile Basin Closeout and What Success Look Like**

Kyle Richards, Coeur d’Alene Trust & Alan Hughes, Maul Foster & Alongi

**Strategic Minerals Session**

[ ]  **Systematic Evaluation of Mine Waste for Critical Minerals**

Adrian Van Rythoven, Montana Bureau of Mines & Geology

[ ]  **Novel Processes for Recovering High Value Materials from Unconventional Sources: An Update**

Teagan Leitzke, PhD & Jerry Downey, PhD, Montana Technological University

[ ]  **Berkeley Pit Rare Earth Element Recovery Demonstration**

Michael Calhoun, Montana Bureau of Mines & Geology

**Wednesday, May 14**

**Water Session**

[ ]  **Sustainable Biogeochemical Approaches for Mine Water Management**

Rachel Spietz, PhD, Enviromin, a Division of RESPEC

[ ]  **Microcosm Sediment Amendment Treatability Testing on Mercury-Contaminated Reservoir Sediment**

Steve Dent, PhD, CDM Smith

[ ]  **Evaporation Lies: A Look at Basic Principles vs Claimed Rates**

Bob Ballantyne, RWI Enhanced Evaporation

[ ]  **Groundwater Recovery and Water Quality Trends at the Decker Coal Mine**

 Emily Lodman, PhD, Montana DEQ

**Mine Operations Session**

[ ]  **Reducing Unit Mining Cost by Improving Mine**

Samuel Addo-Frempong, Tex-Mining

[ ]  **The Use of Polymers for Dust and Erosion Control on Mine Sites**

John Vermillion, Environmental Products & Applications

**Reclamation Session**

[ ]  **Repair of a Reclaimed Coal Mine Site Damaged by the Historic 2022 Yellowstone Area Flood Event**

Trent B. Thomas, PE, CDM Smith

[ ]  **Alaska Placer Mine Stream Reclamation – A Journey of Learning** (virtual presentation)

James Whitlock, Bureau of Land Management

[ ]  **Rehabilitation of the Orphan Girl’s Underground Shaft Station**

 Jeanette Kopf, World Museum of Mining & Scott Rosenthal, PhD, PE, Montana Tech

[ ]  **A ‘Sleeping Giant’: Sustainable Closure of Barrick’s Legacy Giant Nickel Tailings Storage Facility**

Allison Brown, P.Geo., Barrick Gold Corporation

**Solving Environmental Problems Session**

[ ]  **Abating the Underground Threat: Coal Seam Fire Mitigation in Eastern Montana**

 Tyrel Hulet, PE, Trihydro Corporation

[ ]  **Changing the Mining Education Paradigm**

Nancy Schlepp, Sandfire Resources America & Karen Vandaveer, Highlands College

[ ]  **Dam Foundation Problems and Solutions**

Michael Gobla, US Bureau of Reclamation (*retired*)

 **Thursday, May 15**

**Exploration Session**

[ ]  **Using Unmanned Aerial System and GIS Technology for Cultural Resource Documentation**

Patrick Rennie, Montana DEQ

[ ]  **Exploring for Growth at the Madison Mine**

Zachery Hibdon, American Pacific Mining

[ ]  **Intelligent Design: Data, Analysis, & Management**

 Zach Black, Ethos Geologic

[ ]  **Mappable Thermochemical Indictors of Economic Porphyry Copper Deposits**

George Brimhall, Clementine Exploration

[ ]  **Update on the USGS Geophysical Data Collection, Southwestern Montana**

Kyle Eastman, Montana Bureau of Mines & Geology

[ ]  **Inspiring the Next Generation: Education and the Future of Women in Mining**

Lacey Morrison, Morrison Drilling Solutions & Kimberly Myhre, WSP

**1. Comments** (*positive or negative*):

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 **2. Other topics and/or speakers you would like offered at future conferences:**

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**3. If you attended the Field Trip, please rate your overall experience:**

[ ]  ***Dissatisfied***

[ ]  ***Satisfied***

[ ]  ***Very Satisfied***

**Comments on the Field Trip*:***

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