



The University of Nevada, Reno



ADVANCING ABANDONED MINE LAND CLEANUP ... WITH OR WITHOUT GOOD SAMARITAN LEGISLATION

April 9, 2019 – Circus Circus – Reno, NV

The Mining and Metallurgical Society of America, in conjunction with the University of Nevada, Reno, the Colorado School of Mines, and Trout Unlimited, presents the Summit: *Advancing Abandoned Mine Land Cleanup – With or Without Good Samaritan Legislation* to be held at Circus Circus Reno in Reno, Nevada on April 9, 2019.

Registration is free. See the MMSA Web site to sign up for a ticket and sign up for the mailing list to get updates on the summit preparations.

Get the Free Ticket at: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/advancing-abandoned-mine-land-cleanup-with-or-without-good-samaritan-legislation-tickets-57022823801>

For more information about the Summit, and to participate, contact Betty Gibbs, Executive Director, MMSA, at contactmmsa@mmsa.net or 303-444-6032. Watch the MMSA Web page for updates: <http://www.mmsa.net>

The Purpose of the Summit is to: Discuss and promote the passage of necessary liability protection from applicable environmental laws that advance closure and remediation of the identified pilot/demonstration projects.

The Summit's Outcome is to: Increase the diverse coalition of stakeholders working to advance pilot/demonstration projects focused through Good Samaritan legislation that enhances/advances AML reclamation.

This conference follows the success of the April 2018 conference held at the Colorado School of Mines: ***Good Samaritan Protection To Enhance Abandoned Mine Land Cleanup - Finding A Path Forward***. One outcome was to build consensus on the critical language needed to advance Good Samaritan legislation focused on pilot/demonstration projects. Participants were asked for ideas about what components must and must not be included in the legislation to protect entities who clean up abandoned mine lands. Some of those ideas were subsequently incorporated into a Good Samaritan bill currently in the Senate.

The agenda will include:

- An update on Good Samaritan Legislation and progress toward obtaining bi-partisan support.
- Sen. Cory Gardner (R-CO) and Rep. Scott Tipton (R-CO) sponsored a bill in the 115th Congress that provides Good Samaritan protection for voluntary cleanup of abandoned mine lands. The status of the bill will be presented.

- EPA's Efforts to use all administrative tools to encourage Good Samaritan Remediation of identified AML sites.
- Stakeholder insights on AML cleanup - What works, what doesn't work, and greatest challenges.
- A high-level overview of remediation technologies, products, and field techniques used in AML cleanup.
- Stakeholder insights on key metrics needed for successful AML cleanup.
- Perspectives on site characterization, measuring results for release, possible release mechanisms and building partnerships and collaborations.
- Site characterization and release metrics, as well as liability release vehicles.
- List of possible pilot/ demonstration sites.
- Breakout discussions to consolidate ideas and explore possible solutions to legal and environmental issues.

This Summit is a continuation of MMSA's effort to advance Abandoned Mine Land Cleanup. It is intended for all stakeholders with an interest in accelerating the clean-up of existing abandoned mine lands through ongoing Good Samaritan legislation.

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**Sign Up Today and Take Part in Developing Coalitions to Promote
Effective Abandon Mine Land Cleanup for the Benefit of All!**