



## Good Samaritan Protection to Enhance Abandoned Mine Land Cleanup Finding a Path Forward

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The **Mining and Metallurgical Society of America**, in conjunction with the **Colorado School of Mines** and **Trout Unlimited**, presents the Summit: *Good Samaritan Protection to Enhance Abandoned Mine Land Cleanup -- Finding a Path Forward*, to be held on the Colorado School of Mines Campus on April 26, 2018.

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

*The Summit's Outcome is:* A diverse coalition of stakeholders working to advance pilot/demonstration project focused Good Samaritan legislation that enhances (or advances) AML cleanup.

The topics and summit breakout session discussions presented at the Summit will be:

- **Laying out the Challenges.** Identify social, political and legal issues impeding closure and remediation of AML Lands, including: What is needed, State Government considerations, Environmental Coalition issues, Private Sector & Industry considerations, Congressional Representative discussion.
- **Existing Issues Impacting AML Clean-up.** Address social, political and legal issues related to AML cleanup within current regulatory structure and envision potential Good Samaritan protections. Issues to be discussed include: Legal, AML/Good Samaritan, Health, Safety & Environmental, EPA discussion of Good Samaritan.
- **Break-out and Planning.** Delegates will break into multiple working groups to build consensus on the critical language and programmatic components needed to advance Good Samaritan legislation focused on pilot/demonstration projects. After the building blocks for the legislation are identified, avenues for partnership, the ideal process for selection of candidate demonstration sites, and other issues raised by the morning sessions will be discussed.
  - **Feedback and Actionable Items.** The goal of the final session is to fold in outcomes from the morning and early afternoon sessions to collaboratively establish an action plan

This Summit is intended for all stakeholders in the public, private and civil sectors with an interest in accelerating the clean-up of abandoned mines through Good Samaritan legislation.

For more information about the Summit, and to participate, contact Betty Gibbs, Executive Director, MMSA, at [contactmmsa@mmsa.net](mailto:contactmmsa@mmsa.net) or **Ex. 6** Watch the MMSA Web page for updates: <http://www.mmsa.net>.

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