

Bonita Peak Mining District Update

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Planned Activities

- The Bonita Peak Mining District Site Team will be hosting a series of public meetings tentatively scheduled for the week of April 10, 2017. During the meetings, the team will discuss planned activities at the Superfund site for the 2017 field season.
- Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment is hosting a FREE 8-Hour Health and Safety Refresher and FREE 24-Hour Health and Safety Training on March 27-29, 2017, at Silverton Town Hall, 1360 Greene Street, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The training is required for those working on Superfund sites and will prepare local residents for employment opportunities that may become available in the Bonita Peak Mining District. There is no charge for participants. For more information or to register, contact Mark Rudolph at 303-692-3311 or mark.rudolph@state.co.us. Lunch or breakfast will not be provided. Note: March 27 is the 8-hour refresher and day one of the 24-hour training. March 28 and March 29 are the remaining days of the 24-hour training.
- The EPA Office of Research and Development (ORD) is supporting the BPMD Site Team with compilation of vendor information and evaluation of innovative technologies for potential application at the BPMD. Technical support is provided through the ORD Office of Science Policy, Regional Science Program via the Engineering Technical Support Center in Cincinnati. Current activities include:
 - Direct technical support to identify data needs and aid in conceptual site model development;
 - Collection and cataloguing of vendor information and data from existing studies/pilots;
 - Working with the federal and state agencies to identify opportunities for vendors to access media (water, soil, sediment, sludge) for technology testing and refinement; and
 - Conducting literature searches for technology information.Future activities may include evaluating technologies and providing recommendations for the agencies to consider as part of the remedial investigation/feasibility study (RI/FS) process and working with them to design appropriate pilot studies and data collection to support the FS.

2017 Priorities for Superfund Site Work

Early Actions – initiate interim response actions to address simple water management and waste pile stability concerns.

Stability – identify for future action those mine features that may be the most unstable and at risk of unplanned releases of contamination.

Significant Sources – identify for future action mine features with relatively high contributions of contamination.

Human Health – conduct a Human Health Risk Assessment.

Working at the Bonita Peak Mining District

EPA has developed a database for maintaining information from individuals and/or companies wishing to be considered for work at the BPMD. Vendors or contractors interested in doing business related to BPMD should send an email containing the following information to Cynthia Peterson at peterson.cynthia@epa.gov: name of company; point of contact; phone number; email; address; Website address; and description of products or services.

New on the Web

Bonita Peak Mining District Update January 2017 - Spanish Translation (Novedades del distrito minero Bonita Peak)

<http://semspub.epa.gov/src/document/08/1834217>

For More Information

Visit the Bonita Peak Mining District website <http://www.epa.gov/superfund/bonita-peak>.