

PREFACE

The 5th Biennial Northern Latitudes Mining Reclamation Workshop was held in Yellowknife, Northwest Territories, September 8th to 11th, 2009. The objective of the workshop is to improve mine reclamation or environmental protection in the north. The workshop attempts to bring together members of Canadian and U.S. governments, industry, northern communities, First Nations and Aboriginal Groups who are involved with mine reclamation or environmental protection in the north to share information and experiences. The workshop is a joint U.S. and Canada endeavor.

The schedule of events was as follows:

Tuesday, September 8th - Short Course: Soil Covers in the North

Tuesday, September 8th - Tour of the Snap Lake Mine

Wednesday, September 9th and Thursday, September 10th - Technical Talks

Friday, September 11th - Tour of the Giant and Con Mines

Sessions in the technical talks at the 2009 workshop were the reclamation tool box, case studies and the contaminated sites program of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada. Emphasis was on full-scale mitigation, solutions to practical constraints and sustaining successful remediation.

As always, comments and assistance regarding this and future Northern Latitudes Mining Reclamation Workshops are welcomed!

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