

# 2010 JOINT CONFERENCE

27th Annual American Society of Mining and Reclamation  
12th Annual Pennsylvania Abandoned Mine Reclamation Conference  
4th Annual Appalachian Regional Reforestation Initiative Conference

## Bridging Reclamation, Science and the Community



June 5-11, 2010

[www.PghMiningReclamationConf.com](http://www.PghMiningReclamationConf.com)

## A Call for Abstracts

Abstracts Due October 19, 2009

Submission details on the Conference website: [www.PghMiningReclamationConf.com](http://www.PghMiningReclamationConf.com)

**Conference Location: Radisson Hotel, Pittsburgh, PA**

The American Society of Mining & Reclamation (ASMR), the U.S. Office of Surface Mining Reclamation & Enforcement (OSM), the Pennsylvania Conference on Abandoned Mine Reclamation planning committee, and the Appalachian Regional Reforestation Initiative (ARRI) announce the 2010 Joint Conference entitled, **Bridging Mining Reclamation Science and the Community**. This joint conference is three conferences in one! The idea is to integrate some of the technical and non-technical issues before us with the intention of imparting knowledge, exchanging ideas, and sharing lessons learned—creating bridges.

### There will be two types of sessions offered:

Abstract application materials can be found at: [www.PghMiningReclamationConf.com](http://www.PghMiningReclamationConf.com).

### *Technical Sessions*

These peer-reviewed presentations, aimed at mining and reclamation specialists, will address existing and emerging technologies. These session presentations are aimed at the information exchange between academic professionals, field practitioners, students, and all other interested persons. Topical areas for oral or poster presentations for the conference are also found on the conference website.

### *The Science, Community and Reclamation (SCR) Sessions*

These presentations, peer-reviewed and/or non-peer reviewed will include a mix of technical and issues-related presentations. These session presentations are geared toward the interests of a broader audience, from community volunteers and the watershed community to professionals in the field. Presentations will cover a wide variety of subject matter relating to the restoration of natural resources impacted by coal mining, the planning process through implementation of mine land reclamation, and reforestation.



**CONVENERS:** American Society of Mining and Reclamation  
PA Abandoned Mine Reclamation Committee  
Appalachian Regional Reforestation Initiative  
Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement

The Program Committee invites submission of abstracts for oral or poster presentations for the Technical and the Science, Community, and Reclamation sessions. ARRI encourages abstract submissions for technical presentations and for presentations describing reforestation practices being used by mining firms, mine planning and permitting for successful reforestation, and other relevant topics. Tentative Workshops and Pre-Conference Field Workshops/Tours are being planned.

The following are potential categories for paper and presentation abstracts. More specific and In-depth topics can be found at [www.PghMiningReclamationConf.com](http://www.PghMiningReclamationConf.com).

## *Technical Paper Topics*

***Water Management, Reforestation and Reforestation Practices, Mine Planning and Permitting for Successful Reforestation, Forestry and Wildlife, Refuse and Tailings Management & Reclamation, Geotechnical Engineering, Soils and Overburden, Land Use and Design, Ecological, and Remote Sensing.***

## *Science, Community & Reclamation Presentation Topics*

***Reclamation Methodologies, Reforestation and Reforestation Reclamation Projects, Policy Changes, Permitting, Legislative Challenges, Prevailing Wage, Sources of Funding, Watershed Group Sustainability, and Developing Partnerships.***

## **Workshop Sessions**

Short Courses/Workshops will be presented in the following tentative areas: ***Mine Geochemistry; Acid Mine Drainage Treatments; Stream Restoration; Soils Reclamation; and Riparian/Wetland; Coal Mine Reforestation using the Forestry Reclamation Approach.*** Proposals for other workshops will be considered.

## **Field Tours**

Potential Pre-/Post Conference activities include five, unique, one- to two-day Field tours, highlighting (1) full-scale implementation of the Forestry Reclamation Approach at a mine site near Cadiz, Ohio; (2) mountaintop mining in Central West Virginia; (3) underground Mine Tour of a nearby active longwall mining operation in the Pittsburgh coal bed; (4) Bennett Branch Watershed Restoration Project, passive treatment system and reforestation at Jennings Environmental Education Center, resource recovery, land reclamation and abandoned mine drainage treatment and elk viewing in the Pennsylvania WILDS; (5) Field Trip to south central PA viewing active and passive mine water treatment sites and the Flight 93 Memorial.

**For conference committee contacts and up-to-date conference materials and development, go to:**  
[www.PghMiningReclamationConf.com](http://www.PghMiningReclamationConf.com)

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