LOCATION

The workshop will be held at the following location:

Atlantis Hotel
3800 South Virginia Street
Reno, NV 89502
Phone: (800) 723-6500,
or (775) 825-4700

We have reserved a limited number of rooms at the hotel. Please reference the EPA Workshop on Mining Impacts to receive the special rate. Reservations are on a space-available basis and must be made by August 16, 2003. The workshop rate is $55 plus 12% tax per night.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

Registration information will be available in May 2003. Visit EPA's website for information at:

www.epa.gov/ftbwmnl

For additional information, please direct inquiries to Alina Martin, SAIC, at (703) 318-4678. Email: martinali@saic.com

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**PURPOSE**

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**WORKSHOP GOALS**

The workshop goals are to educate individuals involved with mining issues affecting reservation and other Native American lands in the U.S., to identify current approaches to these issues, and to provide a comprehensive annotation of those issues, which include mining and mine waste impacts, support mechanisms, cleanup processes, and other key areas of mining and reclamation.

**WHO SHOULD ATTEND**

- Tribal leaders
- Tribal environmental natural resource managers and staff
- Tribal attorneys and consultants
- Native American grassroots environmental groups
- Environmental and natural resource organizations
- Local communities
- Federal, regional, state and local agencies
- Tribal health professionals
- Interested parties involved in mining, management, land use, and cleanup of Native American lands and resources impacted by mining.

**ABSTRACT SUBMISSION**

Abstracts for oral presentations must be submitted by April 11, 2003. Abstracts should be ½ - 1 page in length, and include the presentation title, authors’ names and affiliations, title/tribal responsibility, email and mailing addresses, phone number, mining type and main topic. Abstracts will be accepted by email, fax, or regular mail.

Submissions will be accepted from all interested parties. Representatives from Native American tribes and community-based grass roots organizations are especially encouraged to submit abstracts. Speakers will be notified by the end of May 2003 of abstract acceptance.

**TRAVEL SCHOLARSHIPS**

A limited number of Travel Scholarships are available for tribal members employed by a tribe or individuals representing tribal organizations. You can request an application for travel assistance by contacting Alina Martin.

**SUGGESTED ABSTRACT TOPICS**

- Air or Water Quality Impacts
- Sacred Lands Impacts
- Reclamation Practices and Consequences
- Visual and Cultural Issues
- Bonding and Insurance Issues
- Legacy Mine Waste
- Current Mine Closure
- Current and Proposed Mining Activities
- Siting of Mines
- Air/Water/Soil Issues
- Legal and Policy Issues
- Human Health and Environmental Effects
- Analysis of the 1872 Mining Law
- Environmental Justice/Racism Issues
- Trust Responsibilities by Federal Agencies
- Ecosystem Impacts
- Human Health and Ecological Risk Assessment
- Community Outreach/Involvement
- The Future of Environmental Protection Regarding Mining in the U.S.

**PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATIONS**

- U.S. EPA, ORD, NRML & Regional Offices
- U.S. EPA, OSWER, National Hardrock Mining Team and Abandoned Mine Lands Team
- Montana Tech & MSE-TA, Inc.
- UNR/Great Basin Mine Watch
- Laguna Acoma Coalition For A Safe Environment (LACSE)
- Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe
- Gros Ventre and Assiniboine Tribes, Fort Belknap Indian Community
- Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe
- National Tribal Environmental Council
- Mineral Policy Center
- Natives Impacted by Mining (NIBM)

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