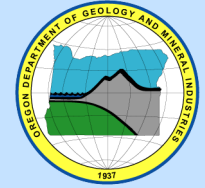


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State agency meeting set on Calico Resources proposed gold mine in Malheur County

The **Technical Review Team** for the Calico Resources proposed gold mine in Malheur County is scheduled to meet in Salem, Oregon, on Monday, July 16, 2012, from 10:00 am to 1:30 pm (Pacific Daylight Time). The meeting may be monitored by the public and interested news media at the Malheur County Court Chambers - 251 "B" St. West, Vale, from 11:00 am to 2:30 pm (Mountain Daylight Time).

The Technical Review Team is an interdisciplinary team of state agencies that reviews the application and develops consolidated permit conditions that conform to Oregon regulations. The federal Bureau of Land Management serves on the Team in an *ex-officio* role.

A link to the meeting agenda is at <http://www.oregongeology.org/mlrr/chemicalprocessmining.htm>.

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