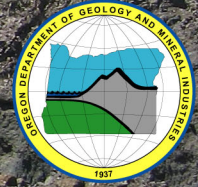


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Mined Land Reclamation Awards announced by the Oregon Department of Geology and Mineral Industries

Portland, Oregon: Each year the Mineral Land Regulation and Reclamation program of the Oregon Department of Geology and Mineral Industries, with an independent panel of experts, selects specific mine sites and operators to receive awards for outstanding reclamation, mine operation, and fish habitat protection. This year's awards, based on an operator's performance during the 2012 calendar year, were presented at the Oregon Concrete and Aggregate Producers Association (OCAPA) Annual Meeting, June 28, 2013, at Eagle Crest Resort in Redmond, Oregon.

Mined Land Reclamation Award winners are:

- **2012 Outstanding Operator Award** — River Bend Sand and Gravel / CPM Development Corporation, Dalton Quarry, Salem
- **2012 Outstanding Reclamation Award** — Knife River Materials – Roseburg Operations, Smith Bar, Roseburg
- **2012 Outstanding Reclamation / Agency Award** — BLM Roseburg District, Lee Creek, Roseburg
- **2012 Reclamationist of the Year Award** — Ed McGill / River Bend Sand and Gravel, Salem
- **2012 Oregon Plan Award** — Copeland Sand and Gravel, Inc., Hyde Bar, Grants Pass
- **2012 Special Recognition Award** — Robert Hogensen / Green and White Rock Products, Corvallis

Detailed information and site photographs for the winners can be found in this extended news release: http://www.oregongeology.org/pubs/nr/press-release-2013-07-31_extended.pdf

The Mineral Land Regulation and Reclamation program at DOGAMI serves as a steward of the state's mineral production, while encouraging best practices within the industry. MLRR's goals include environmental protection, conservation, effective site reclamation, and operational guidance regarding other engineering and technical issues. Contact Gary Lynch, Assistant Director of Regulation, MLRR, at 541-967-2053 for more information.

The Oregon Department of Geology and Mineral Industries is an independent agency of the State and has a broad responsibility in developing an understanding of the state's geologic resources and natural hazards. The Department then makes this information available to communities and individuals to help inform and reduce the risks from natural hazards, such as earthquakes, tsunamis, landslides, floods and volcanic eruptions. The Department assists in the formulation of state policy where an understanding of geologic materials, geologic resources, processes, and hazards is key to decision-making. The Department is also the lead state regulatory agency for mining, oil, gas and geothermal exploration, production and reclamation.

DOGAMI's mission is to provide earth science information and regulation to make Oregon safe and prosperous.

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