2016 ASMR Conference
33rd Annual Meeting of the American Society of Mining & Reclamation
June 4th to 9th, 2016 Spokane, Washington
Theme – Reclaiming the West

This conference will focus on, but will not be limited to, the technical areas identified below and will provide a forum for the dissemination of information through presentation of research findings, field tours, workshops, and open discussion of public policy relating to mining, reclamation, restoration, reforestation, and land management issues. Submission of abstracts and other items should be sent to rdarmody@illinois.edu. Acknowledgment of submission will be sent to each author by email from Dustin Wasley, Program and Planning Committee Chairman. If you are interested in moderating and organizing a session, please contact Dustin Wasley, dwasleyASMR@gmail.com

Paper Categories

Four types of abstracts or papers will be considered again this year as described below. Draft copies of abstracts are due by January 8, 2016. Abstracts will be distributed at the meeting on a thumb drive, and will be placed on the ASMR web page www.asmr.us prior to the meeting. Written papers must be received by February 15, 2016. Authors will have the option to include their paper in the ASMR official Journal (JASM). However, all authors will be required to submit their presentation as a PowerPoint file when they arrive at the meeting in Spokane. In addition, ASMR plans to record all oral presentations, which will be placed on the ASMR web page along with the PowerPoint presentations pending the author’s permission.

1. **Research paper** – these papers should be replicated lab or field research. Written papers are optional, and the paper and/or the final abstract or an extended abstract are due by April 13, 2016.

2. **Case Studies** – include, but are not limited to, non-replicated field or lab studies and may be examples of mitigation tactics that have been employed at a field site. They could be replicated
Projects in space and time, but have not been subjected to statistical analyses. Written papers are optional, and the paper and/or the final abstract or an extended abstract are due by April 13, 2016.

3. **Demonstration project** – these may be demonstrations of a new product, method, or technology of commercial value, but presented with defendable data and be more than just a clever sales pitch. As a minimum, a final abstract or an extended abstract are due by April 13, 2016.

4. **Other** – these may include such presentations as a policy paper. As a minimum, a final abstract or an extended abstract must be submitted by April 13, 2016.

**Program and other Important Dates**

The Program Committee invites the submission of abstracts, deadlines are as follows:

1. Abstracts should be received by **January 8, 2016**.
   a. Under certain circumstances, abstracts MAY be accepted later, if permission has been granted by the Program Chair. However, if an optional written paper is to be submitted, it must be received at the times indicated above. When an abstract has been received, it may be reviewed by the Technical Division Chairs if time permits.
   b. Submit your abstract prior to **January 8, 2016** and if it is selected, you will receive $50 off your registration fees.

3. Acceptance of the abstract will be sent to the author after review, before **January 22, 2016**.

4. Optional written papers must be received by **February 15, 2016**.

5. All presenters need to register for the conference by **May 6, 2016** to keep their presentation in the program and to keep their $50 discount.

6. Peer review of all written papers will be completed six weeks after manuscript submittal.

7. Revisions of written papers, abstracts, or extended abstracts must be received by **April 13, 2016**. Abstracts subsequently will be on the ASMR web page, [www.asmr.us](http://www.asmr.us).

8. **All PowerPoint presentations must be turned in upon arrival in Spokane at the on-site registration desk so they may be placed on the appropriate computers.**

9. Times for individual presentations will be posted on the ASMR web page under Upcoming Meetings – Spokane, WA as soon as the program has been finalized.

10. A decision by the author not to have their PowerPoint presentation and/or recording of presentation placed on the ASMR web page or any editing of images must be received by **June 17, 2016**.

11. PowerPoint presentations with audio recorded at the meeting will be placed on the ASMR web page within a month of the meeting.
Technical Sessions

A 250-300 word abstract should be submitted for consideration within the technical sessions listed below. (see Submitting an Abstract section on page 4):

- Forestry and Wildlife
- Ecological
- Revegetation
- Invasive Species
- Geotechnical Engineering
- Geomorphic Landform Reclamation
- Land Use and Design
- Soils and Overburden
- Cover Systems
- Water Management /ARD
- Abandoned Mine Lands (AML)
- Refuse, Waste Rock, and Tailings Management
- Symposium : Successes and Challenges with Underground Workings

Submitting an Abstract

Please submit your abstract electronically for oral or poster presentation by Jan. 8, 2016 to Dr. Robert G. Darmody, rdarmody@illinois.edu. Abstracts will be reviewed for scientific content and relationship to the tentative Technical Sessions. Accepted oral or poster paper presenters may opt to submit a written manuscript for review by February 15, 2016. A final manuscript as a Word or WordPerfect electronic copy is due by April 13, 2016. Manuscripts and abstracts will be placed on a thumb drive at the Conference. Authors have the option to have their paper later published as a part of the ASMR Journal. The abstract format is shown below:
ABSTRACT EXAMPLE

The Use of Spectral Reflectance as a Reclamation Tool

A.J. Smith2, B.C. Jones, and C.D. Doe

Abstract: Detailed abstracts are limited to 250 to 300 words and should provide statement of the problem, methods and materials, experimental design, major results, and conclusions. The language of the Symposium is English. The title of your abstract should be short and descriptive. Indicate the presenter by an asterisk after their name. The text of your abstract should use 12 point font, Times Roman preferred. The margins of the text should be 1 inch on all sides. Units of measure are to be expressed in SI Units, such as g m-2 (grams per square meter), mmols kg-2 (millimole per kilogram). Non-SI Units and English units are to be avoided. The use of color graphics and electronic images is acceptable. Please indicate the Technical Session in which you think your paper should be considered from the list on the submission page. Identify additional key words. Indicate title and organization for each author.

Additional Key Words: Listing of those not in the title.

1 Oral (or Poster) paper presented at the 2016 National Meeting of the American Society of Mining and Reclamation, Spokane, WA: Reclaiming the West, June 4 - 9, 2016. Published by ASMR; 1305 Weathervane Dr., Champaign, IL 61821.
2 Allen J. Smith, Professor, Plant and Soil Sciences, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY 40546; Barbara C. Jones, Ecotoxicologist and Certified Associate Wildlife Biologist, Altec, Georgetown, KY, 40552; and Charles D. Doe, General Electric, Cincinnati, OH, 42345.

Abstracts are to be sent electronically to rdarmody@illinois.edu along with the completed submission form.

Requests for additional information should be sent to:
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Submit your abstract by Friday, January 8, 2016 and if you are selected to present, you will receive $50 off your registration fees.

Oral Presentation
Research Paper ______
Case Study ______
Demonstration Project _____
Other _____
Will you submit a written paper? Yes____ No ____

Poster Presentation
Research Paper ______
Case Study ______
Demonstration Project _____
Other _____
Will you submit a written paper? Yes____ No ____

Check the top three technical division in which you feel your presentation best fits. This will be used for review and approval of your abstract.

Ecology______ Forestry/Wildlife______ Geotechnical Engineering______
Refuse and Tailings Management______ Land Use Planning and Design______ Soil Overburden______
Water Management______

Workshop Sessions
Please submit proposals to Dustin Wasley, dwasleyASMR@gmail.com by January 8, 2016.