

B.C.'S 49th ANNUAL MINE RECLAMATION SYMPOSIUM



AGENDA

Day 1: Wednesday, September 23, 2026

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TIME	SESSION	PRESENTER / ORGANIZATION
7:30am - 8:00am	Coffee and Networking	
8:00am - 8:30am	Opening Remarks, Indigenous Welcome & Safety Share	
8:30am - 9:00am	Technical Session 1: The Tse Zul Land Care Plan - Collaborative Reclamation Planning at the Faro Mine	Jody Inkster, Dena Cho Environmental
9:00am - 9:30am	Technical Session 2: Selenium Remediation through Native Wetland Plants	Steven Tannas, PhD, P.Ag, P.Biol., Tannas Conservation Services
9:30am - 10:00am	Technical Session 3: Changes in Lead and Zinc Concentrations in Lichens over Time at the Faro Mine	Scott Dudiak, Integral Ecology Group
10:00am - 11:00am	Morning Break, Exhibitor Networking & Poster Presentations	
11:00am - 11:30am	Technical Session 4: Guidance on Developing, Maintaining, and Effectively Using Reclamation Material Balances	Justin Straker, Integral Ecology Group & Landform Design Institute; Aileen Cash, BGC Engineering & Landform Design Institute
11:30am - 12:00pm	Technical Session 5: Beneath the Surface: Leveraging the Soil Seed Bank in Reclamation	Kevin Renkema, Vertex Professional Services Ltd.
12:00pm - 12:30pm	Technical Session 6: Proof-of-Concept Through Bench- and Pilot-Scale Testing to Support Mine Closure and Post-Closure Water Treatment Pathways	Elnaz Mohammadi, Integrated Sustainability
12:30pm - 1:30pm	Lunch Break and Exhibitor Networking	
1:30pm - 2:00pm	Technical Session 7: Using Ecological and Social Recovery Wheels to Guide Post-Reclamation Outcomes: A 10-Year Evaluation at Mount Polley Mine (2014-2024)	Natalie Tashe, Director, Land Stewardship, ecoTASH Ltd.
2:00pm - 2:30pm	Technical Session 8: Learning from the Past and Building for the Future: Reclamation Lessons from an Exploration and Development Company	Erin Boyle, M.Sc., R.P.Bio., EP, Seabridge Gold; Deborah Flemming, B.Sc., 3 Aces, Seabridge Gold
2:30pm - 3:00pm	Technical Session 9: Reframing Soil Success in Mine Reclamation	Melanie Piorecky, P.Ag., Associated Environmental Consultants, and Sheila (Sijia) Jiang, Hudbay Copper Mountain Mine
3:00pm - 3:30pm	Afternoon Break and Exhibitor Networking	
3:30pm - 4:00pm	Technical Session 10: Advancing In-Pit Bioremediation for Selenium and Molybdenum: Bench-Scale Microcosm Trials for Two British Columbia Pit Lakes	Fischer Young, Integrated Sustainability
4:00pm - 4:15pm	Closing Remarks	
6:30pm - 7:30pm	Banquet Awards Reception and Exhibitor Networking	
7:30pm - 11:00pm	Banquet Awards Dinner	

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Day 2: Thursday, September 24, 2026

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TIME	SESSION	PRESENTER / ORGANIZATION
7:30am - 8:00am	Coffee and Networking	
8:00am - 8:15am	Opening Remarks & Safety Share	
8:15am - 8:45am	Technical Session 11: Climate Change Considerations in Mine Water Management and Engineering Design for Reclamation Planning	Nick Weitao Rong, Knight Piésold Ltd.; Jaime Cathcart, Knight Piésold Ltd.; Greg Smyth, Knight Piésold Ltd.
8:45am - 9:15am	Technical Session 12: Underground Stabilization Monitoring Program	Ryan Preston, WSP
9:15am - 9:45am	Technical Session 13: Performance of the Faro Landform Cover and Revegetation Pilot	Larisa Barber, P.Geo, Okane Consultants; Max Ryan, Integral Ecology Group
9:45am - 10:15am	Morning Break and Exhibitor Networking	
10:15am - 10:45am	Technical Session 14: Evaluating High Elevation Translocation as a Reclamation Tool in Alpine Mine Environments in Northeastern British Columbia	Alycia Aird, Aski Reclamation LP; Keana Trudel, Aski Reclamation LP; Chris Kallal, Wild and Pine
10:45am - 11:15am	Technical Session 15: Use of Toxicity Identification Evaluation to Optimize Active Water Treatment Strategies for Wastewater at the Eagle Mine	James Elphick, BQE Water
11:15am - 11:45am	Technical Session 16: Mammalian Hair Records Metal Exposure, Bioavailability, and Spatial-Temporal Patterns at Contaminated Sites: A Supplemental Tool for Risk Assessment	Jennie R. Christensen, TrichAnalytics Inc.
11:45am - 12:00pm	Special Mine Tour Video	
12:00pm - 1:00pm	Lunch Break and Exhibitor Networking	
1:00pm - 1:30pm	Technical Session 17: Asset Recovery Mandate (ARM) and Defensible Evidence Protocol (DEP)	Keith Roscoe, Alfalfa Green Reclamation
1:30pm - 2:00pm	Technical Session 18: From Liability to Asset: Funding Mine-Site Reclamation through Tailings Reprocessing - Hedley Au-Co Case Study	Ayesha Ahmed, Regeneration Enterprises
2:00pm - 2:30pm	Technical Session 19: Frameworks for Evaluating Wetland Function: A Review and Decision-Making Toolkit	Jennifer Muir, EDI Environmental Dynamics Inc.
2:30pm - 3:00pm	Afternoon Break and Exhibitor Networking	
3:00pm - 3:30pm	Technical Session 20: Balancing Protection and Practicality: How Conservatism in BC Water Quality Guideline Derivation Influences Environmental Decision-Making	Brett Lucas, Hatfield Consultants
3:30pm - 3:45pm	Closing Remarks	

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