

Arizona Abandoned Mine Lands Strategy 1.4.11

Data Integration

Integrate interagency and public data to create a statewide assessment of abandoned mines and associated features and risks on BLM managed lands in Arizona.

- Develop an inventory and assessment protocol for gathering, storing and prioritizing risk data on abandoned mines and mine features on Public Lands.
- Coordinate inventory and assessment protocols with the State Land Department and Arizona State Mine Inspector, Forest Service and National Park Service.
- In coordination with State and local government agencies identify critical health, safety and ecological issues associated with abandoned mines and mine features.

Community and Partner Awareness and Engagement

Enlist State, and local agencies, communities and NGOs in development and implementation of abandoned mine and mine feature restoration projects.

- Align actions with partner priorities such as the Arizona State Mine Inspectors Office, State Game and Fish Department and Bat Conservation International.
- Focus attention on projects which meet the highest health and safety priorities.
- Seek opportunities for joint funding and participation in restoration projects
- Encourage participation of local communities in remediation and monitoring of remediated features.

Prioritize Remediation of Abandoned Mines on Public Lands

- With partner and community input, identify the top ten AML projects for Arizona BLM public lands
- With partners, establish an annual review process to assess progress and establish subsequent priorities.