

## **Inviting All Students**

The TRCR would like to invite students to the 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Mine Reclamation Symposium to be held in Kamloops, BC from September 17-20, 2012.

### **Who is the TRCR?**

The Technical and Research Committee on Reclamation (TRCR) originated in the early 1970's, in response to a demonstrated need in British Columbia for greater government-industry communications in the area of environmental protection and reclamation associated with mining. Membership is drawn from the corporate sector; the BC Ministry of Energy and Mines (MEM); BC Environmental Assessment Office (EAO), the BC Ministry of Environment (MOE); Natural Resources Canada (NRCan), the Mining Association of British Columbia and British Columbia universities and colleges. Since 1977, the TRCR has annually sponsored the British Columbia Mine Reclamation Symposium to foster the exchange of information and ideas on reclamation.

### **What is covered at the 2012 Symposium?**

Here is a brief summary of this years events:

Monday (Sept 17) – Grasslands: Ecology and Retsoration Challenges, Wine and Cheese

Tuesday (Sept )- full day tour of Samatosum Mine or, learn more about how the Mining Industry is working [Toward Sustainable Mining](#) in a MAC workshop from 9 to 4 pm.

Wednesday (Sept ) – presentations during the day followed by the banquet and awards

Thursday (Sept ) – presentations during the day

Please see the website ([www.trcr.bc.ca](http://www.trcr.bc.ca)) for more specific details on the upcoming symposium.

### **How can students get involved?**

There are many opportunities: students can apply to be volunteers and assist at the conference, students can submit a paper and give a presentation (or poster), students can apply for the Jake McDonald Memorial Scholarship and students are welcome to just come and attend the Symposium.

### **Is there funding available?**

Yes! The TRCR supports BC post secondary student participation at the Annual Reclamation Symposium through scholarship opportunities, volunteer positions and travel assistance. Please see the next page for further details.

### **Deadlines?**

Application for a scholarship, travel assistance, or to volunteer, must be received by August 1, 2012 and should be sent to Wendy Gardner.

### **Have questions or need more information?**

Please see following page for information on the Jake McDonald Memorial Scholarship for Mine Reclamation, visit the TRCR website ([Scholarship Awards](#)) or contact the Chair of the Scholarship Committee, Wendy Gardner.

Wendy Gardner Chair, Scholarship Committee ([wgardner@tru.ca](mailto:wgardner@tru.ca))

# **TRCR SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS**

## **Jake McDonald Scholarship for Mine Reclamation**

In honour of Jake McDonald, former Senior Reclamation Inspector in the British Columbia Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources, the Technical and Research Committee on Reclamation offers a total of \$2,000. in scholarships to students registered at a university (undergraduate or graduate) or college in the province of British Columbia. Jake McDonald was largely responsible for the formation of the Technical and Research Committee on Reclamation. This committee significantly improved government - industry - academic communications in the areas of environmental protection and reclamation in mining.

The applying student must be involved in mine reclamation, pollution prevention, environmentally sound mine planning, or any aspect of mine land rehabilitation. The student must have a high academic standing and a genuine interest in the mining industry in the province and in maintenance of the environment of British Columbia. The student must be enrolled in a post secondary institute in British Columbia.

Students may be nominated by individuals, or candidates may apply directly. In the application, a one-two page proposal or a statement of interest, and a copy of a recent transcript must be included.

## **Support for Students at the BC Mine Reclamation Symposium**

Students volunteering to help at th symposium will have their registration and short course fees covered, rooms supplied (based on shared accommodation), attendance to the banquet and all speakers breakfasts and an additional \$50.00 to help cover costs. In return students will help with registration and other duties. Student volunteers are selected on a first come basis and must be enrolled in a post secondary institue in British Columbia or if attending a post secondary institute outside of British Columbia their research must be focused in British Columbia. Please send email the Scholarship Committee Chair early (spring/ early summer) if interested in order to secure a spot as these fill quickly.

## **Travel Assistance**

Travel assistance will be provided to students without financial support wanting to attend the symposium, up to a maximum amount of \$300 per student. To apply for travel assistance, students must attend a post secondary institute in British Columbia and need to send an email to the Scholarship Committee expressing their interest in attending the conference, the form of participation and a contact number and email address. Priority will be given first to students making oral presentations or presenting posters, second to students receiving scholarships and then to other students wishing to attend the symposium.

**Application for a scholarship, travel assistance, or to volunteer, must be received by August 1, 2012 and should be sent to:**

Wendy Gardner, Chair Scholarship Committee

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