

**2009 Coal Mining Reclamation Awards
Colorado Mining Association
Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety**

WHO SHOULD ENTER

Nominations are now being accepted for the 2009 Coal Mining Reclamation Awards. Sponsored by the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, and the Colorado Mining Association, the Awards Program honors outstanding reclamation of coal mines and seeks to further the collection and dissemination of information about successful reclamation techniques.

The Coal Reclamation Awards competition is open to any company or government entity engaged in the mining and reclamation of **coal** properties.

THE JUDGES

Department of Natural Resources Staff will evaluate nominations, and Awards will be given for the most outstanding reclamation achievement and exceptional efforts in preserving and/or enhancing the environment.

HOW TO ENTER

Entries should be submitted to the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, 1313 Sherman St., Room 215, Denver, Colorado, 80203, 303.866.3567 x 8110, attn.: Sandra Brown, sandy.brown@state.co.us.

WHAT TO SUBMIT

Nominations must include a narrative description of the reclamation performed at the site, as well as a sufficient number of photos to characterize the entry. The description should emphasize the reclamation aspects, which qualify the site as being “outstanding”, i.e., implementation of new technologies or techniques, environmental enhancement, wildlife preservation, water augmentation, preserving historic mining resources, etc. Mines sites achieving Phase III bond release will also be recognized. Photos of the winning entries will be used at the Awards Presentation and will be retained by the Division as a record of entries.

DEADLINE November 13, 2009

Awards Presentation

Awards will be presented at the joint Colorado Mining Association 112TH NATIONAL WESTERN MINING CONFERENCE & EXHIBIT FEBRUARY 9-11, 2010 WESTIN TABOR CENTER. The Luncheon itself will take place on February 11, 2010 at noon.

For information about the conference contact CMA at 303.575.9199, by e-mail at colomine@coloradomining.org or check the website at www.coloradomining.org