

Exploration and Mining 101 Workshop

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NSCC Truro Campus, 36 Arthur Street, Salon C, Truro, Nova Scotia

Cost: \$99+HST at door (or invoice onsite)

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Overview

Multi-sector demand for minerals has stimulated exploration around the world – including Nova Scotia. Nova Scotia has a rich and varied history of mining dating back over 300 years that supported small towns and villages throughout the province. While old practices have left a poor legacy in some areas, mining today is subject to numerous regulatory requirements from the financial, environmental, and social perspectives.

Objectives

This basic workshop is designed for those who are interested in learning about exploration and mining activities, the various regulations associated with this industry and how the industry is evolving to address environmental and social concerns.

Content

- Why companies explore for minerals
- How minerals and claims are regulated
- Landowner rights
- What mineral exploration entails
- Public vs. private companies
- The stages of mine development
- Environmental regulations
- Community engagement
- Innovative reclamation planning
- Tools for tracking exploration activity in NS
- Corporate Social Responsibility
- National initiatives/expectations of exploration companies
- Provincial Expectations (DNR Strategy)
- Sustainability in Minerals Sector

Anticipated Participants

- Municipal officials, planners and development officers
- Watershed committee members/managers
- Landowners & Environmental groups
- Aboriginal, Federal, and Provincial owners, directors, and officers

Instructor: Fred Bonner, B.Sc., M.A.Sc., M.U.R.P, P.Geo.

Fred holds Masters' Degrees in Applied Science and Planning from Dalhousie University, Halifax. Fred's 25 year career includes extensive experience in the geosciences, sustainability, corporate social responsibility, public engagement and environmental management in government and private industry. He has held executive level positions in private and public companies. Fred is Vice President of the Association of Professional Geoscientists of NS and was appointed to the Minerals Panel of Experts in 2009 by the Minister of Natural Resources to help guide the development of a new Natural Resources Strategy for Nova Scotia. In 2010 he started TBL Resource Solutions Inc. to help mining/exploration companies develop environmental and corporate social responsibility programs.