# WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION



2022 AML Contract 2 Project South

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## RESPEC OVERVIEW













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**ABOUT US** 

We are a consulting engineering firm committed to solving the challenges of inactive mine reclamation and closure and supporting permitting activities.

50 YEARS 515 Founded in 1969 in Rapid City, South Dakota, we have over 50 years of experience.

EMPLOYEE-OWNERS



#### AML RECLAMATION AND REMEDIATION

- Bureau of Land Management
- Kentucky Division of Abandoned Mine Lands
- Maryland Bureau of Mines
- Ohio AML
- Oklahoma Conservation Commission

- Montana DEQ, Abandoned Mine Section
- Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining
- Virginia Department of Natural Resources
- Office of Surface Mining Washington State
- West Virginia Division of **Environmental Protection**

Offices in West Virginia



37+ YEARS

of AML project work

100+ AML PROJECTS

For State & Federal Agencies



## We partner with others for the best solutions for West Virginia





Quality Engineering, Surveying, and Consulting Services for Construction, Mining and Oil & Gas.

### CORE COMPETENCIES

Civil Site Design / Engineering / Planning

Underground / Surface
Mine Engineering

Environmental Permitting

Geotechnical Engineering & Drill Management

Surveying

### **DIFFERENTIATORS**

Superlative Design Services Timely / Accurate / Professional

**Control Costs** 

Multiple Alternatives & Solutions

Professional Competency



## PROJECTS CONTRACT 2 PROJECT SOUTH

**CROWN HILL REFUSE, SLIDE AND DRAINAGE** 

**MORRIS CREEK TREATMENT** 

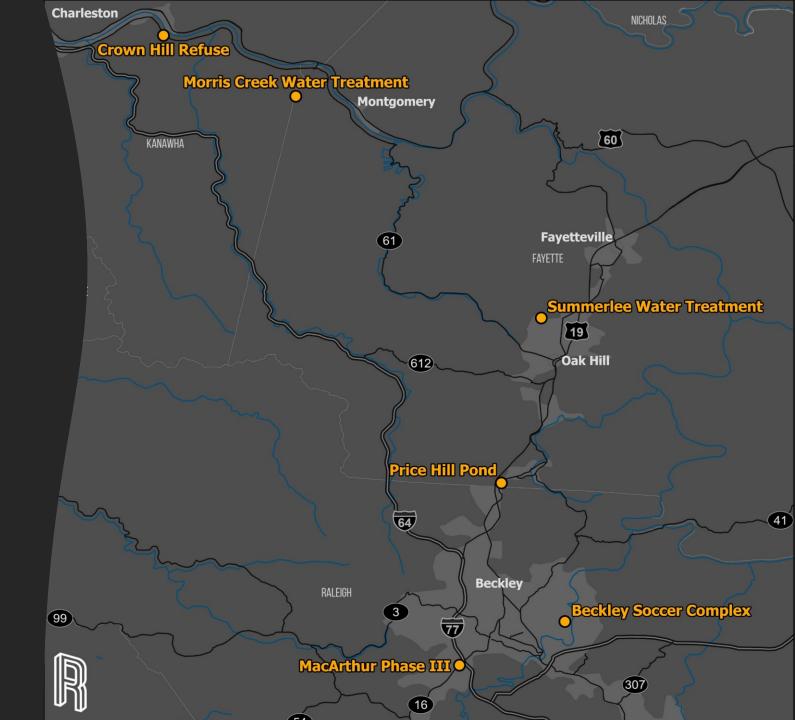
**SUMMERLEE AMD TREATMENT** 

PRICE HILL COMPLEX — POND CLEANING

**BECKLEY SOCCER COMPLEX** 

**MACARTHUR SUBSIDENCE** 

## WE KNOW THE CHALLENGES



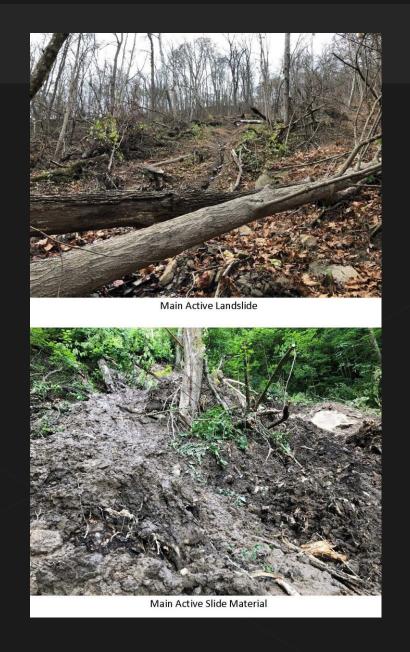
#### **CROWN HILL REFUSE, SLIDE, AND DRAINAGE**

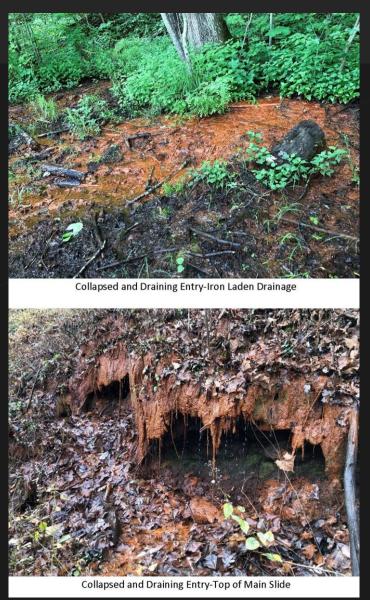
#### **Key Issues**

- / Open/Collapsed Portals
  - / AMD Draining from open portals
  - / Wet & Dry Seals
- / Slide
  - / 600' upslope & approximately 100'. ~1.2 Acres
  - / Secondary Slide forming
- / Refuse
  - / Potential for coal refuse combustion
  - / Site has existing coal blocks and refuse that will not require remediation

#### **Site Constraints**

- / EROE completed
- / Difficult access
- Division of Highways permit needed due to proximity
- / Slope Stability





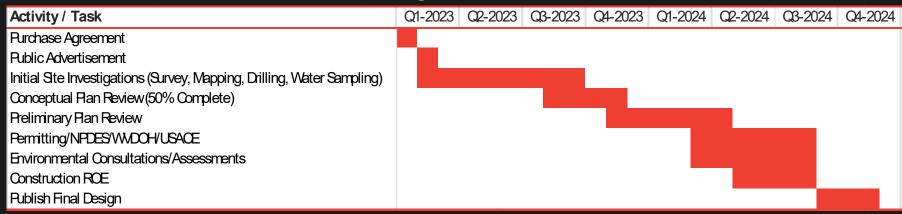
#### **CROWN HILL REFUSE, SLIDE, AND DRAINAGE**

#### **Design Phase**

- / Sealing Portals
- / Slope reconstruction
- / Possible Retaining Wall
- / Revegetation
- / Possible AMD Treatment

## **Grant Application Estimated Construction Cost - \$ 616,875**





#### **MORRIS CREEK TREATMENT**

#### **Key Issues**

- / Failure in passive AMD treatment system (3 ponds) that was installed in 2014
- / AMD coming from multiple sealed mine entries

#### **Site Constraints**

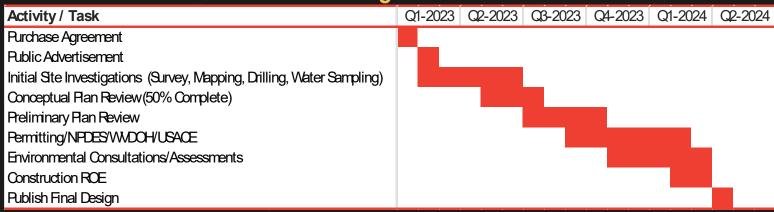
- / EROE-Complete
- / Power Supply
- / USACE Permit
- / Multiple Counties

#### **Design Phase**

- / Remove existing system
- / Construct New System (Possibly Active)
- / Extend electrical lines

## **Grant Application Estimated Construction Cost - \$1.2M**





#### **SUMMERLEE AMD TREATMENT**

#### **Key Issues**

- / Existing Passive Treatment Failing
  - / Highly acidic surface runoff and mine drainage from refuse pile
  - / 3-4 GPM surface runoff
  - / AMD flowing freely into Wolf Creek of the New River
  - / Clogged with iron sludge and debris

#### **Site Constraints**

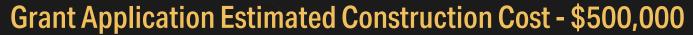
- / EROE completed
- / Public Participation
- / Waste Disposal
- / Power Supply



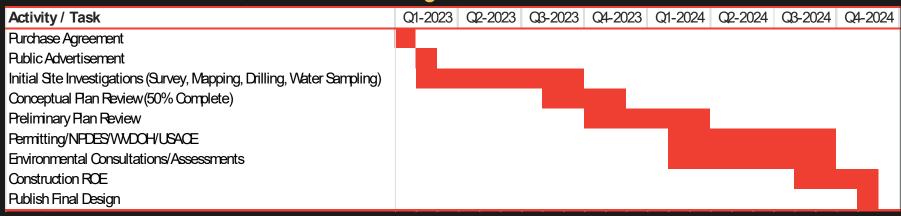
#### **SUMMERLEE AMD TREATMENT**

#### **Design Phase**

- / Replace existing system with a better suited system
  - / Active or Passive
- / Pond Cleanout and Disposal of Sludge
  - / Possible underground injection
- / Construct drainage control channels and culvert







#### PRICE HILL COMPLEX — POND CLEANING

#### **Key Issues**

- 4 Sediment Ponds original installed for iron settling no longer working
- / Previous AML project
- / Maintenance rounds have been completed at the site
  - / Berm
  - / Dike
  - / Dipping

#### **Site Constraints**

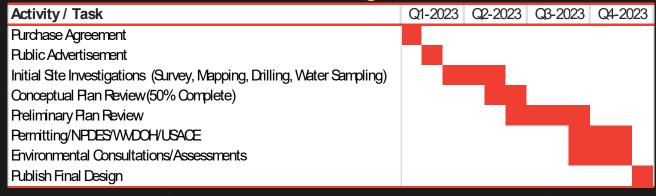
- / Sludge Disposal
- / No Ownership

#### **Design Phase**

/ Remove and Replace Existing Ponds



#### **Grant Application Estimated Construction Cost - \$500,000**



#### **BECKLEY SOCCER COMPLEX**

#### **Key Issues**

- / Subsidence
  - / ~450 LF Scarp Line
  - / Average 3' deep and ~40 in in width
- / Open/Collapsed Portals
  - / 9 Different locations
  - / Wet & Dry
- / 3 Dangerous Highwall Locations
  - / ~1900 LF to be Reclaimed

#### **Site Constraints**

- / EROE COMPLETED
- / Heavy utilized public facility
  - / Soccer Fields
  - / Hilling and Bilking Trails
- / Access to portals from trail system
- / Public interaction



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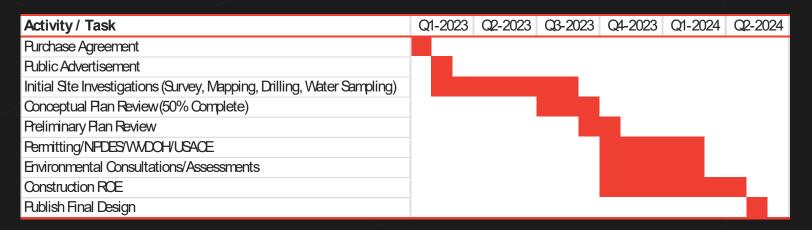
#### **Design Phase**

- / Grouting Underground Mine Works
- / Sealing Portals
- / Highwall Reclamation
- / Parking Lot Reconstruction





## **Grant Application Estimated Construction Cost - \$1.8M**



#### **MACARTHUR SUBSIDENCE**

#### **Key Issues**

- / Subsidence
  - / Extensive history of subsidence
  - / 40' 80' of cover between mine and ground surface
  - / Phase I and II AML projects have already been completed

#### **Site Constraints**

/ EORE-~150 property owners

## **Grant Application Estimated Construction Cost- \$10.4M**



#### **Estimated Design Schedule**

#### **Design Phase**

/ Grouting Underground Mine Works





WE ARE COMMITTED
TO DEDICATING the
necessary resources
to complete projects
efficiently and in a
timely manner.



## THANK YOU

WE LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR QUESTIONS



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