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Nevada Excellence in Mine Reclamation Award Winner Named

CARSON CITY, Nev. – The Nevada Excellence in Mine Reclamation Award for 2021 was announced during a presentation ceremony held October 23rd at the Nevada Mining Association’s Safety Awards Luncheon in Reno. The award presented this year:

- **NOV** received an award for *Innovative Reclamation and Closure* for their work at the Big Ledge Mine West Waste Rock Facility in Elko County.

The goal of the annual State Reclamation Awards is to encourage operators and explorers to submit reclamation projects which raise industry standards, increase public awareness of the positive aspects of mining, and encourage innovation in reclamation techniques.

“This year’s award winner is outstanding example of a project attaining these goals,” said Mike Visher, Administrator for the Nevada Division of Minerals. “In showcasing this work, we hope to draw attention to the continued efforts by Nevada’s mining industry to lead the Nation in successful reclamation, community partnerships, and environmental protection practices.”

This is the 30th year of the Nevada Excellence in Mine Reclamation Awards. The Awards Committee consists of representatives from the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection, the Nevada Department of Wildlife, the Bureau of Land Management, the United States Forest Service and the Nevada Division of Minerals.

In order to receive an award, the Committee must unanimously vote that a submission or nomination: exhibits excellent mitigation of the environmental impacts of mineral industry activity, demonstrates work efforts which go above and beyond what is mandated, and represents an exemplary narrative to be shared with others in the industry, as well as with the general public.

For more information about submitting or nominating an entity for the award, visit the Nevada Division of Minerals website at <http://minerals.nv.gov>.

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