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## Nevada Excellence in Mine Reclamation Award Winner Named

**CARSON CITY, Nev.** – The Nevada Excellence in Mine Reclamation Award for 2022 was announced during a presentation ceremony held September 10th at the Nevada Mining Association’s Safety Awards Luncheon in South Lake Tahoe. The award presented this year:

- **KG Mining (Bald Mountain), Inc.** received an award for *Leadership in Concurrent Mine Reclamation* for their work at the Bald Mountain Mine in White Pine County. Reclamation by KG Mining involved partial backfill of the RBM Pit with 17 million tons of non-ore material covered with an alluvial layer and growth media followed by approximately 49 acres of seeding. In addition, the RBM Rock Disposal Area was recontoured to no greater than 2.5:1 slope and 98 acres seeded. This concurrent mine reclamation reduced disturbance within the migration corridor for the Area 10 Mule Deer Herd.

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.

“The concurrent reclamation represented by this year’s award winner demonstrates a large commitment to improvement of wildlife habitat at an active mine,” 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 31st 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. To receive an award, the Committee must unanimously vote that a submission: 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 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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