

ORPHANED LAND ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES
June 13th, 2025

The Orphaned Land Advisory Committee Meeting was held at Charlottesville, Virginia on June 13th, 2025. Committee members present were:

- Mr. Walter Beck, Virginia Transportation Construction Alliance (VTCA)
- Mr. Billy Lassetter, Virginia (DMME), Division of Geology and Mineral Resources
- Ms. Sara Klopt, Virginia Tech, School of Plant and Environmental Sciences for Dr. Lee Daniels
- Mr. Palmer Sweet, Citizen Member
- Mr. Adam Tew, USDA Natural Resource Conservation Services for Mr. Chris Hamilton
- Mr. Chuck Stilson, Industry Representative
- Ms. Lorrie Skiffington, Virginia Abandoned Mine Land Program
- Mr. Justin Williams, Department of Environmental Quality for Ms. Stefanie Kreps

Mr. Phil Skorupa, Virginia Energy Division of Mineral Mining (DMM) Director; Mr. Paul Saunders, DMM Manager of Safety and Permitting; Ms. Elle Lindgren, Non-point Source Coordinator and Ms. Chrissi Wood-Smith, DMM Technical Services Manager, Ms. Rachell Winnall, DMM Mine inspector, and Ms. Sarah Hamm, DMM Permit Engineer, were present as ex-officio non-voting members and advisors to the Committee.

Committee members selected Iluka – Old Hickory Mine as the best non-quarry and overall winner in the DMM/VTCA Awards Program and to be nominated for the Interstate Mining Compact Commission National Award Program. Both Chaney Enterprises Moss Neck Holding and Branscome Hofmeyer were selected to receive Honorable Mention Awards.

The OLAC membership (attached) was reviewed, and members were re-appointed. Palmer Sweet will continue to serve as Chairman.

The Committee by-laws were reviewed:

- There was a motion to add another private citizen to the committee.
- This was approved. David Spears has accepted this role.
- Billy Lassetter will continue to serve for DGMR per Matt Heller.
- Billy Lassetter suggested we consider adding a member the Planning community. Palmer Sweet will contact them and discuss at the next meeting.
- Lorrie Skiffington suggested that we consider adding a professional engineer to the committee.

Chuck Stilson mentioned that in reviewing the By-laws the OLAC is to provide advice to DMM for reclamation methods. He and Paul Saunders will work together to determine the best ways for DMM and OLAC to collaborate on reclamation methods for AMML sites.

The committee concurred they prefer a two-day meeting and would like to have a field trip visiting some of the reclaimed sites. Palmer Sweet suggested we hold the 2026 meeting in Prince William City and visit Cabin Branch Mine next year. Phil Skorupa said he will allocate funds for this purpose.

OLAC Updates were presented by Chrissi Wood-Smith including current inventory statistics, the work performed this past cycle, and funding sources. Ninety-four (94) sites were inventoried, twenty-eight (28) sites were inspected and twenty-one (21) were presented to the Committee this year.

Twenty-one (21) sites with environmental and/or safety scores over one hundred (>100) were presented by Chrissi Wood-Smith and reviewed by the OLAC (attached). The committee prefers to rank only sites that have had physical inventory performed. Several sites will be deferred until next year, if and when DMM can obtain landowner permission to visit the property.

The decision was made to omit the OLAC rank attribute from the public facing application.

The Lake Anna Goodwyn project, OLP 24-02, was reviewed by Sarah Hamm.

The Historical Richmond Coal Fields were presented by Paul Saunders. Lorrie Skiffington discussed the current AML projects in the area.

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DMMID	DMM_Num	EnvlrScore	SafetyScore	ExpoScore	County	Presentation	SCORE
3675	DMM24007	300	360	36	Louisa	☑	Inspect
3673	DMM24005	150	200	28	Louisa	☑	Inspect
3674	DMM24006	150	60	34	Louisa	☑	Inspect
3683	DMM24015	20	150	27	Dinwiddie	☑	Inspect
3696	DMM24028	20	110	25	Wythe	☑	C
3711	DMM24043	20	150	33	Wythe	☑	C
3732	DMM24060	20	150	116	Wythe	☑	Inspect
3774	DMM25029	38	150	34	Smyth	☑	C
3749	DMM24081	40	110	27	Roanoke	☑	Repurposed
3750	DMM24082	40	110	27	Roanoke	☑	Repurposed
3751	DMM24083	40	100	29	Roanoke	☑	Repurposed
3752	DMM24084	20	100	27	Roanoke	☑	Repurposed
3754	DMM25009	20	160	108	Augusta	☑	Inspect
3756	DMM25011	10	160	26	Augusta	☑	Inspect
3757	DMM25012	40	160	26	Augusta	☑	Inspect
3758	DMM25013	20	110	24	Augusta	☑	Inspect
3760	DMM25015	20	100	31	Augusta	☑	Inspect
3763	DMM25018	20	110	11	Augusta	☑	B
3766	DMM25021	130	410	33	Augusta	☑	B
3714	DMM24046	20	150	38	Grayson	☑	C
3726	DMM24079	40	460	35	Buckingham	☑	Inspect