

Women's Mining Coalition



2014 Fly-In Summary



The Hill



- 3 ½ days
- 51 women
- 234 meetings with Representatives, Senators, and staff
- 76 information packets dropped off at other offices
 - (some with impromptu meetings)
- 310 total office visits

The Regulatory Agencies



-  EPA – Ellen Gilinsky, Senior Policy Advisor; Scott Wilson, wastewater permitting for coal, gas, electric generation; Steve Liverborne, general counsel; Dave Evans; Greg Peckham, attorney; Marcus Oberstein, 402 permits; Andrew Sawyers, office of wastewater
-  U.S. Forest Service – Tim DeCoster, Chief of Staff for Chief Tom Tidwell, & Cal Joyner, Asst. Deputy Director
-  Office of Surface Mining – Glenda Owens, Deputy Director and Michele Altemus, Chief of Staff
-  BLM – Karen Mouritsen, deputy to Mike Nedd, Assistant Director for Minerals and Realty Management
-  U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service – Dan Ashe, Director, and Gary Frazer, Asst. Director for Ecological Services

The Issues



Hardrock Issues

- Financial Assurance
- Efficient Permitting
- Sage Grouse
- Critical & Strategic Minerals
- Minerals Reliance
- Dirt Tax



Coal Issues

- EPA Overreach
- Section 404 Permits
- Waters of the US Redefinition
- Redefining Fill Material
- Stream Buffer Zone Rule



The Success



- The 13 issue papers WMC presented at each meeting are being used as reference material by the congressional offices.
- We offer our knowledge and resources for providing accurate mining information. An example is the American Coal Ash Association connecting directly with Senator McCain's staffer (at WMC's request), answering a question he posed during a meeting with WMC. Another example is WMC forwarding a question from Senator Reid's staff to the Nevada Mining Association, and receiving a prompt accurate answer, which we then provided to Senator Reid's staff.

The Group

