

SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

Guiding Principles

The Association for Mineral Exploration (AME) recognizes the importance of building and maintaining mutually beneficial, respectful and lasting relationships based on the principles of social responsibility to maximize the positive economic and social benefits from mineral exploration and development while adhering to and promoting environmental sustainability.

In conducting their activities, AME members should strive to:

1. Create positive economic, social, and environmental benefits during all phases of mineral exploration and development. Adhere to these principles through good governance and proactive and adaptive management.
2. Develop comprehensive, clear and transparent relationships with communities that recognizes local cultures, customs, knowledge and values and is built on meaningful engagement and clear communication supported by social and environmental management plans.
3. Manage activities in an ethical manner and at a minimum comply with applicable permits, laws, and regulations. In the absence of specific regulations, operate in accordance with accepted international standards.
4. Integrate leading scientific, environmental, social and risk management practices in the planning, design and implementation of activities to ensure the responsible use of natural resources.
5. Establish collaborative working relationships to support the sustainability of communities through development initiatives that are based on local priorities, goals and aspirations.
6. Proactively engage with communities and governments to consider social or environmental legacies where practicable.
7. Seek opportunities for continuous improvement and innovation, through the application of new knowledge, diversity strategies, technologies and leading international standards.

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