



## **New Mexico Mine Health and Safety Conference Inc. 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Conf.**



Mine operators, Contractors, Vendors

New Mexico Mine Health and Safety Conference

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Hello fellow conference participants,

We have held off hoping that the COVID -19 would have run it's course and pass on but to no avail, it appears that it has not even hit it's peak. We are now advised by the Governor to "stay home and undertake only those outings absolutely necessary for our health, safety or welfare" and further restricts "mass gatherings". We all continue to watch the daily changes in regards to restrictions and outbreaks of COVID-19. These unforeseen circumstances have hindered our ability to push conference registration and sponsorship.

We were hoping that we could push hard and meet or exceed our registrations for attendees, and sponsorships for 2020, but I am wishing for goals that will be very hard to meet under these circumstances. I feel that this pandemic issue will take a physical, mental and financial impact on many of our businesses and lives, which will take an extended period to recover. These unforeseen circumstances have hindered our ability to push conference registration and sponsorship by mid- April, this will not be enough time to meet or exceed our past goals.

We the committee are being proactive in our effort for the safety of our attendees (presenters, operators, front line workers, contractors, and vendors). It would be irresponsible to ask any of our fellow Conference attendees to attend with the possibility of contracting the virus or infecting others.

On that note, with heavy hearts, we have decided that it would be best for all involved to cancel the New Mexico Mine Health and Safety Conference until 2021. This will insure the safety of everyone and in hopes that all our dedicated attendees, presenters, and vendors can spend time with their families and allow everyone to recuperate from this stressful COVID-19 pandemic, not to mention the financial impact on our families and businesses.

I send blessings to all, Stay Safe, think before you act, wash your hands and by all means, practice social distancing. I want to wish everyone the best going forward in 2020. If there are any questions, please feel free to contact me through my contact information below.

President,

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