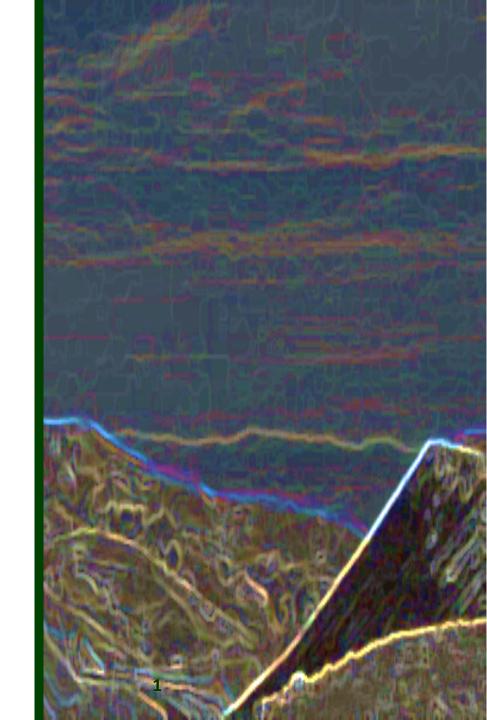
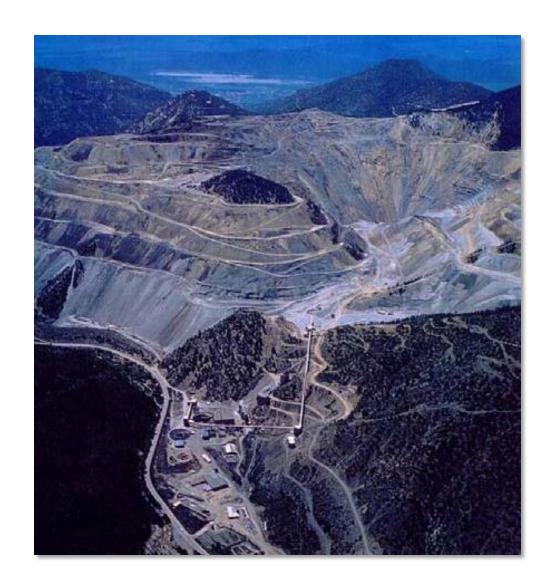
Ecological Revitalization at Mining Sites

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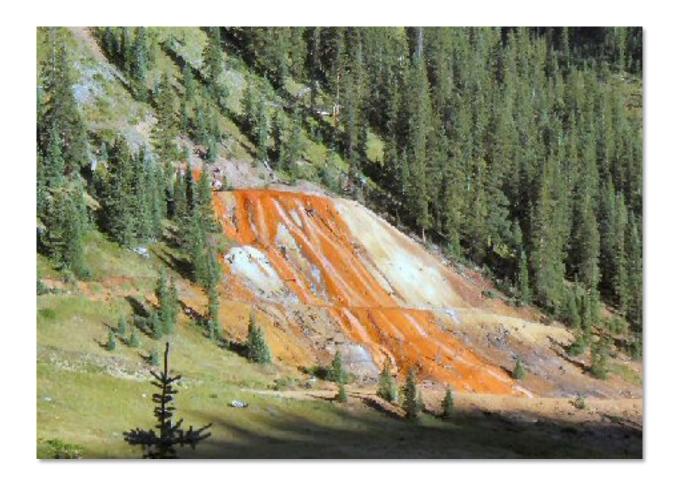
Common Challenges at Mining Sites

- Remote locations
- Mixed ownership
- Complex contaminant location and transport
- Multiple mines within a watershed



Common Challenges Cont.

- Huge volumes of waste
- Regulatory challenges
- Acid mine drainage
- Cleanup standards



Considering Green Remediation Techniques

Consider more sustainable and greener cleanup options, such as:

- 1. Revegetation with native plants
- 2. Soil amendments

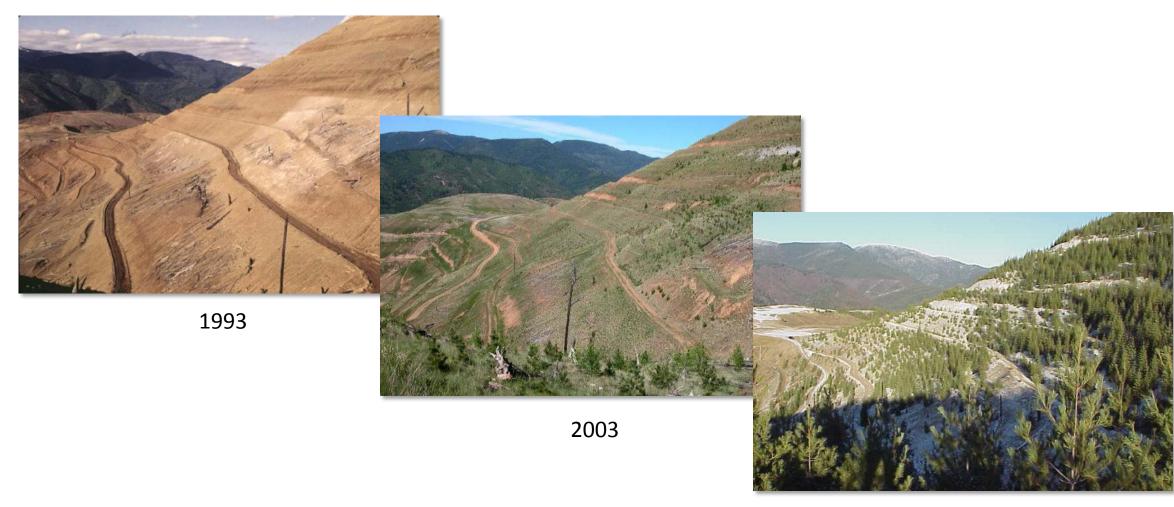


Using Soil Amendments

- Why use Soil Amendments?
 - Soil amendments can:
 - Reduce contaminant exposure, bioavailability and phytoavailability
 - Improve soil health & ecosystem function
- What kind of mining sites are good candidates for soil amendments?
 - Hard rock mining sites
 - Coal mining sites
 - Smelting and refining sites



Restoring Hillsides at the Bunker Hill Site, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho



Revitalizing Landscapes at California Gulch, Lake County and City of Leadville, Colorado





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Resources

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