

# **NEW MEXICO MINING SAFETY BOARD**

## **MISSION**

**The New Mexico Mining Safety Board (MSB) recognizes the value of the State's miners to their families, to their communities, to the mining industry, and to the State of New Mexico.**

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## **VALUES**

**The New Mexico Mining Safety Board (MSB) recognizes that:**

- **The people who work the mines in the State of New Mexico (Miners) are the industry's most precious resource.**
- **The safe extraction, processing, and distribution of New Mexico's mineral reserves is beneficial to all concerned.**
- **Even one injury to any New Mexico miner is unacceptable.**
- **The safety and health of New Mexico's miners must be the first consideration in any action taken by the New Mexico State MSB.**

**Appointed members of the MSB represent the diverse segments of the mining industry in New Mexico and each member of the MSB pledges to promote safety and health by:**

- **Engaging in discussions concerning critical safety and health issues with his or her constituents and others in or affecting the mining industry.**
- **Actively participating in debate over critical safety and health issues at official meetings.**
- **Conscientiously voting for or against initiatives before the MSB with the safety and health of the miners in mind.**
- **Demonstrating professionalism in all matters relating to the MSB.**
- **Demonstrating safety and health excellence in the workplace and away from the workplace.**

**The MSB will act on safety and health initiatives that foster improved safety and health for miners in New Mexico including but not limited to:**

- **Making inquiries and assessing the state of mine safety and health in New Mexico.**
- **Proposing legislation.**
- **Promulgating, amending or rescinding rules and regulations.**
- **Monitoring the activities of the Bureau of Mine Safety.**
- **Issuing communications to the miners and/or the mine operators.**

- **Encouraging cooperation and teamwork between mine management, labor and regulatory agencies in the pursuit of improved safety in New Mexico mines.**
- **Ruling on appeals within the scope of the MSB's jurisdiction.**
- **Involvement in and support of training and certification.**

**Any and all actions taken by the MSB will be consistent with the constitution and laws of the State of New Mexico.**