RISK ASSESSMENT WORKSHOP

Abandoned Mines

“Doing nothing is not an option”

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CONTAMINATED AREA
KEEP OUT
DANGER!
ABANDONED MINE HAZARDS

UNSAFE MINE OPENINGS AND HIGHWALLS

DEADLY GAS AND LACK OF OXYGEN

CAVE-INS AND DECAYED TIMBERS

UNSAFE LADDERS AND ROTTEN STRUCTURES

UNSTABLE EXPLOSIVES

STAY OUT
STAY ALIVE
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What to do?

- Consistent legislation to address the issue nationally
  - if that is not possible, ensure that provincial policies are developed and followed)

- Inform and educate the local communities of the issues
  - What are the hazards
  - Impact of the hazards on environment and humans
  - How community can assist in the remediation efforts

- Work with local communities to monitor and plan for remediation

- Procurement policy for community benefit

- Long-term monitoring
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