

Bond Calculation/Reclamation Cost Estimation

Support has been provided to states for either the direct support for reclamation costing or the development of in-house skills in this practice. Sound reclamation design should be based on knowledge of reclamation practices, earthwork equipment handling, and engineering cost assessment sources and techniques. These skills can be applied to estimations of reclamation costs for both AML and bond forfeiture sites, as well as, the calculation of reclamation bond amounts. Additional capabilities include determinations of amount of financial assurance in the form of a trust funds needed to support long-term unanticipated AMD. *AMDtreat* TIPS software is applied in this activity.