

2019

EARTHWORKS ANNUAL REPORT



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2019 TOP ACCOMPLISHMENTS



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PHOTOS, TOP - DOWN: Water pollution from a defunct mine in Colorado. A site holding radioactive fracking waste in northern Pennsylvania. A protest of Pan American Silver, owner of a proposed mine in Guatemala.

New Mexico Promises Stronger Enforcement of Oil and Gas Regulations –

New Mexico Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham restored authority to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division to issue penalties to oil and gas companies that break the law. With the authority to take enforcement action, the state can lead the way to cleaner air and safer communities.

Colorado's State Mining Law Reformed –

Mining permits will only be given to companies that will not rely on long term (perpetual) water treatment operations after mine closure, in order to protect water quality. Companies now are required to back their projects with actual financial assets instead of "self bonds."

Secured Air Protections from Ohio Petrochemical Plant –

Earthworks and allies joined in a lawsuit to appeal the air permit for the proposed Belmont ethane cracker. The first legal settlement was secured against a petrochemical facility requiring continuous air monitoring, leak detection, and repair.

Advanced a Clean, Just and Equitable Transition to Renewable Energy –

Published new research on the impacts of projected minerals demand for renewables which we presented to allies, investors, renewable energy and tech companies, shaping the conversation and preparing us for our transition to clean renewable energy.

Campaigned Against Oil and Gas Waste on Roads –

When a Pennsylvania resident told Earthworks that the oil and gas waste spread on her road was making her sick, we mobilized a grassroots coalition against the spreading of toxic waste and successfully defeated attempts to legalize this practice.

Exposed Flawed Community Consultation Process –

Guatemala's Constitutional Court ruled that the government must consult with the Xinka Indigenous people before reopening the world's largest silver mine, but the process has been plagued by irregularities. Earthworks has been monitoring the flawed "consultation", exposing a discriminatory system and empowering communities to keep fighting.

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TAKING OFFICIALS TO SEE INVISIBLE POLLUTANTS

Earthworks' Community Empowerment Project works with communities to protect their health and the climate. With infrared video clearly documenting toxic oil and gas emissions, we work side-by-side with impacted residents to pressure regulators and companies to reduce air pollution. In 2019 we brought high profile representatives along on tours to demonstrate the need for quick reform.

New Mexico State Land Office Commissioner Stephanie Garcia Richard joined Earthworks in the Permian Basin and subsequently pledged to take action to stop oil and gas related air pollution.



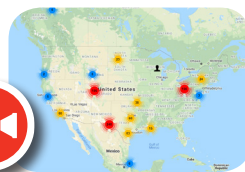
Earthworks Pete Dronkers (holding camera) and Nathalie Eddy (far left) took U.S. Reps Joe Neguse and Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez on a field tour to show them oil and gas methane pollution on Colorado's Front Range.

Members of U.S. Congress Grijalva, Luján, Haaland, and Lowenthal visited New Mexico's San Juan Basin to see air pollution from oil and gas operations with infrared imaging. Said Congressman Grijalva of the methane pollution, *"...it's bad for the environment, our economy, and public health. Today, we saw firsthand that there is nothing safe about methane waste."*

WHAT YOU MADE POSSIBLE IN 2019

- 11 states visited
- 557 sites visited (443 unique sites)
- 178 complaints filed with regulators
- 16% of cases resulted in reduced pollution
- 43% prompted responses from regulators

Explore the maps at [Earthworks.org/CEP](https://earthworks.org/CEP)



PROTECTING PUBLIC LANDS FROM RECKLESS MINING

Mining companies take advantage of the law to buy public lands at 1872 prices and avoid paying royalties, robbing us of our public lands and our government of valuable income. Earthworks aims to change this through comprehensive legislation.

Congressman Raul Grijalva and Senator Tom Udall introduced mining law reform bills in both houses of Congress. We flew in Indigenous and non-native mining-impacted community members to D.C. to share their stories and lobby on Capitol Hill.

The House Natural Resources Committee passed the reform bill on a bipartisan basis. It is scheduled for a floor vote in 2020.

The Government Accountability Office, the research arm of Congress, convened a panel of experts to provide mining reform recommendations in December 2019.

El Paso Lode, ore house, Cripple Creek built in the late 1800's. Colorado. Photo: Library of Congress U.S. Park Service.



Thank You! Your support makes our work possible!

We would like to recognize the many people who support Earthworks' mission. Your commitment to protecting communities and the environment made our successes last year possible! 100% of Earthworks' budget is raised from non profit organizations, responsible companies, foundations, and individual donors.

Special thanks to members of Earthworks' giving circles: *Defender Circle* donors who give \$1,000 or more annually; *Sustainability Circle* donors who make donations monthly; and *Legacy Circle* members who have pledged to include Earthworks in their estate plans.

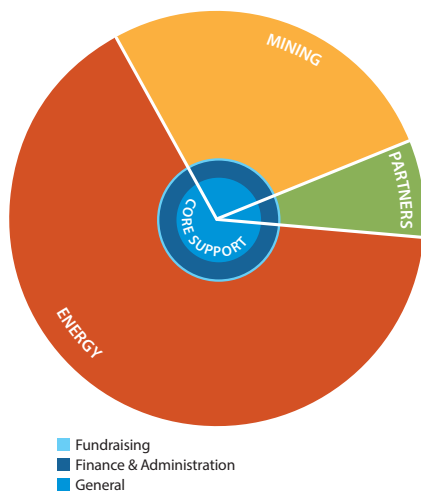
2019 FINANCIALS

Income

Corp. & Foundation Grants	\$3,674,112
Individual Contributions	\$1,195,599
Other	\$66,672

Total Income: **\$4,936,383**

Year End Net Assets: **\$2,455,247**



Expenses

Programs	
Energy	\$2,153,967
Mining	\$878,567
General	\$288,539
Partnerships	\$242,836

Subtotal **\$3,563,909**

Core Mission Support	
Fundraising	\$390,397
Finance & Administration	\$309,415

Subtotal **\$699,812**

Total Expenses: **\$4,263,721**

OUR PARTNERSHIPS

Alaskans for Responsible Mining
 Arizona Mining Coalition
 ARO Working Group
 Beyond Extreme Energy
 Campaign to End Sacrifice Zones
 Coalition for Oklahoma's Renewable Energy
 Common Ground United
 Ethical Metalsmiths
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