

EARTHWORKS

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Aerial view of part of Bristol Bay watershed, Alaska. Photo by Ben Wright.

MISSION STATEMENT

EARTHWORKS is a non-profit organization dedicated to protecting communities and the environment from the impacts of destructive mineral development in the United States and worldwide.

We fulfill our mission by working with communities and grassroots groups to reform government policies, improve corporate practices, and influence investment decisions. We work to encourage conservation, recycling, responsible materials policies, and renewable energy sources. We expose the health, environmental, economic, social, and cultural impacts of irresponsible digging and drilling through work informed by sound science.

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2009 TOP ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Stimulus Funds Clean Up Abandoned Mines

EARTHWORKS worked successfully behind the scenes in January 2009 to ensure that abandoned mine clean-up was part of the new federal economic stimulus package. As a result, more than \$100 million is going toward cleaning up mining sites nationwide—an unprecedented sum.



No Dirty Gold Gained Support of 25% of U.S. Jewelry Sales

In November 2009, the “No Dirty Gold” Campaign announced its 60th signatory to the “Golden Rules” for more responsible sourcing of precious metals. The signatories represent over \$1.3 billion in annual sales.

America’s #1 Mercury Polluter Shut Down

EARTHWORKS and its partners pressured the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection to take enforcement action and close down the Jerritt Canyon Mine until better pollution controls are in place. This mine was the single largest source of mercury air emissions in the U.S. for many years, and dumped its mercury into an unlined tailings pond that has leaked into groundwater since the early 1980s.

1872 Senate Bill Introduced

In April 2009, for the first time in a decade, a Senate bill to reform the 1872 Mining Law was introduced by Senator Jeff Bingaman, Chair of the U.S. Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee. The introduction of S. 796, the *Hardrock Mining Reform and Reclamation Act*, along with the continued leadership of Chairman Nick Rahall in the House (where a similar bill passed last year), gives EARTHWORKS and its partners an extraordinary opportunity to reform mining practices.

Protected the Grand Canyon

EARTHWORKS and its partners helped Congress pass an emergency withdrawal of lands around Grand Canyon National Park. According to the Bureau of Land Management

records, claims within five miles of Grand Canyon National Park increased from just ten claims in January 2003 to 1,130 by January 2008—most, if not all, of these claims are for uranium mining. In July 2009, newly appointed Secretary of the Interior Ken Salazar finally acted on this resolution and established a temporary moratorium from claim staking around the Park to allow for more environmental review.

Campaigned to Save Bristol Bay

EARTHWORKS successfully worked with our partners to position the proposed Pebble Mine in Alaska as an iconic mine fight, protecting the Bristol Bay watershed—the world’s greatest wild sockeye salmon fishery. We coordinated a successful trip to London in April 2009 with a delegation of Alaska native leaders to meet directly with mining giant Anglo American’s CEO, Board Chair and shareholders. At the same time, EARTHWORKS announced the addition of six prominent U.K. jewelry retailers who pledged to not source gold traceable to any future Pebble mine.

Oil & Gas Industry Forced to Clean Up Operations

In May 2009, the signature campaign of EARTHWORKS’ Oil & Gas Accountability Project led to the passage of new rules protecting public health from drilling wastes and was signed into law by Governor Ritter in a ceremony at the Colorado Capitol.

No Dirty Tar Sands Campaign Launched

EARTHWORKS coordinated and set up a coalition website, www.dirtyoilsands.org, for the U.S.-Canadian tar sands network. We also executed the “Hillary’s Choice” e-advocacy effort in July 2009, which generated more than 4,600 letters to the U.S. Department of State, and coordinated the web-based portion of the “Harper Welcome Wagon” effort in September, when the Canadian Prime Minister visited Washington, D.C.



EARTHWORKS gratefully acknowledges the generous support and critical contributions of our members and e-activists.

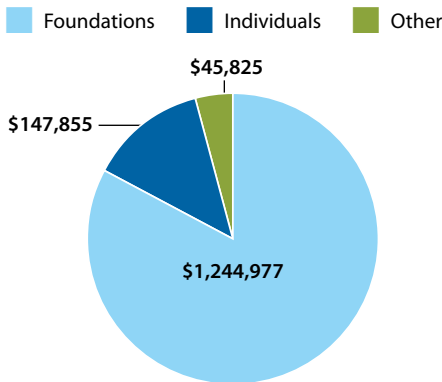
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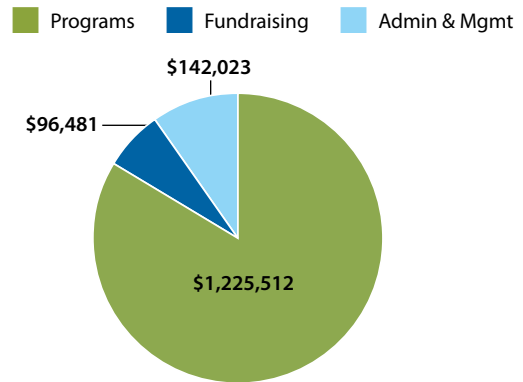
Financial Information

Income FY2009



Year End Net Assets: \$309,922

Expenses FY2009



Program Expense Breakdown:

- Oil & Gas Accountability Project: \$460,920
- US Mining Reform: \$386,308
- International Mining Reform: \$181,615
- Public/Member Information & Services: \$97,130
- Partnership Programs: \$99,539
 - Alaskans for Responsible Mining: \$30,791
 - Arizona Mining Coalition: \$33,148
 - Center for Science in Public Participation: \$1,660
 - Coldstream Creative: \$15,675
 - Common Ground United: \$317
 - Ethical Metalsmiths: \$17,948

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