

**NEWS RELEASE**

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## **Mining – Fertile Ground for Saskatchewan**

Regina: The Honourable Bill Boyd, Minister of the Economy along with Neil McMillan, President of the Saskatchewan Mining Association launched ‘Mining Week in Saskatchewan’ today at the Saskatchewan Legislature. Mining Week in Saskatchewan runs from May 24 – 30, 2015.

“The theme of this year's Mining Week is ‘Mining – Fertile Ground for Saskatchewan,’” said Neil McMillan, President of Saskatchewan Mining Association. “Geology made Saskatchewan “fertile ground” for mining, but even the most fertile ground is barren if not worked carefully by knowledgeable tenants. For half a century, the companies who work the “fertile ground” of Saskatchewan’s mineral resources have joined together as the Saskatchewan Mining Association, speaking as one voice to government, building public awareness of the importance and value of mining, and supporting one another in a myriad of ways” said McMillan.

Today, Saskatchewan is recognized as one of the world’s best jurisdictions for mining companies to invest in. These investments have made Saskatchewan one of the world’s strongest and most resilient economies.

The Saskatchewan Mining Association will have dozens of events in communities across the province celebrating Mining Week, culminating with the 47<sup>th</sup> Annual Emergency Response/Mine Rescue Skills Competition, May 30 at EVRAZ Place in Regina.

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