SPRING Alert!

Mine sites, active, idle or abandoned, often appear to be desirable locations for swimming, riding ATV's, riding off-road bikes, and horseback riding. However, these sites can be dangerous and even deadly. Every year, dozens of people, children and adults, are injured or killed while exploring or playing on mine property.

REMEMBER:

- Never use mine sites for recreational activities!
- Steep, slippery walls and unstable banks make entering and exiting these sites extremely difficult!
- Water can be deceptively deep and dangerously cold!

STAY OUT, STAY ALIVE!

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