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March is National Women's History Month, and a wonderful opportunity to recognize the hardworking women whose dedication strengthens the mining community. Women work across the mining sector in diverse roles such as geologists, truck drivers, accountants, lawyers, operators and managers.

These women experience industry issues firsthand. As such, they offer a unique perspective on the regulations and problems that affect minerals mining. Recognizing this, the **Women's Mining Coalition** (WMC) formed in 1993 to give women a collective voice in advocating for the mining community and the related sectors that rely on mining.

Members of the WMC participate in annual Fly-Ins to Washington, D.C. where they meet with policymakers and representatives from federal agencies. The goal of these meetings on Capitol Hill is to educate leaders about the importance of U.S. mining and the issues that impact the industry. During these meetings, WMC members discuss issues like the need for mine permitting

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reform, the ramifications of unnecessary federal land withdrawals and the burden of overlapping regulations. To see the latest on the federal lands issue, see our new fact sheet [here](#).

As WMC President Nicole Preuss stated last year, "The Fly-In participants were able to highlight the importance of numerous bills being introduced in Congress. This talented group of women personify modern mining with their professionalism and dedication to advocating for a strong domestic mining industry."

The WMC will once again travel to Washington, D.C. this April to meet with members of Congress for its 24th annual Fly-In. Read our latest blog post and learn more about the WMC's annual Fly-Ins [here](#).

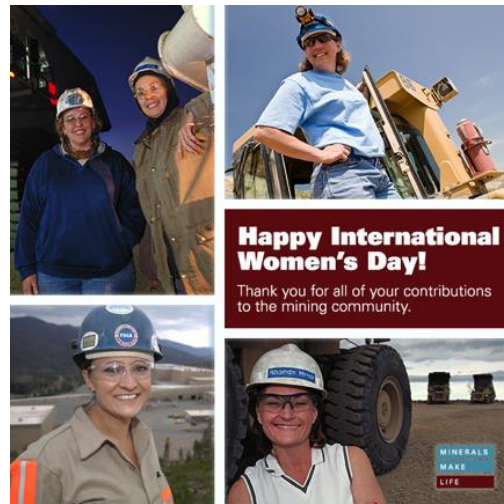


Photo Above: Women's Mining Coalition 2015 Fly-In. Get details about last year's Fly-In [here](#).

Minerals Make Life is grateful for the remarkable contributions women make to mining. From their tireless work on the frontlines of the industry to their commitment to advocating for policies that impact the livelihoods of millions of Americans, women are essential to driving the success of our industry.

Please join me in thanking all U.S. women in mining. Take action today to amplify their voices in the call to improve domestic minerals mining policies [here](#).

Happy International Women's Day



Minerals Make Life celebrated International Women's Day on March 8. Be sure to follow us on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) to receive daily updates.

You can learn more about the Women's Mining Coalition [here](#).

Thank you,

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