**Department of the Interior (DOI), Office of Policy Analysis Seminar**

**Economic Revitalization of Abandoned Mine Land: A Focus on the Appalachian Region**



**The Appalachian Wildlife Foundation’s Boone’s Ridge Project, Bell County Kentucky**

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Join the Office of Policy Analysis to learn about OSMRE’s Abandoned Mine Land Economic Revitalization (AMLER) Program. Since peaking in 2009, US coal production has fallen to its lowest level since 1965. Job losses have been especially severe in the Appalachian Region. The AMLER Program provides an opportunity for local communities to achieve their economic and development goals. This panel will (1) provide background on OSMRE’s Abandoned Mine Land program, (2) provide background on current employment and economic conditions in the Appalachian Region, and (3) discuss specific projects and linkages to the expected economic and environmental justice outcomes.

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