

26th Annual Regional Phosphate Conference

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Lakeland Center
701 W. Lime Street
Lakeland, FL 33815

Keynote Speaker:

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Changing Landscapes—Building the Future

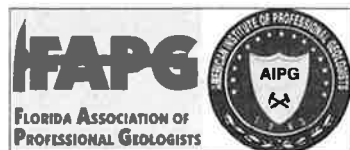
Phosphate and other non-fuel mineral industries in Florida are facing important challenges as mining and mineral production move into the future. The ability to adapt to increasing production costs, limited resource availability, changing regulatory demands, and evolving market structures will be key to the future success of mining in Florida. This year's conference will focus on the technological, economic, environmental, and regulatory outlook for the Florida phosphate industry and highlight some crucial issues faced by other mining industries in the region. The key topics that will be discussed during the opening session, keynote address, and six technical sessions are:

- What are the phosphate demands for future agricultural operations?
- What are the legal issues facing the phosphate industry?
- What is the future economic outlook of the phosphate industry?
- What are the concerns of downstream resource users?
- How will the changing permitting environment affect the phosphate industry?

For the 26th year, this unique conference will be the place for mining, chemical processing, reclamation and environmental experts, locally and internationally, to exchange technical information and ideas. Sponsors are the Society for Mining Metallurgy and Exploration (SME); the American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE); the American Institute of Professional Geologists (AIPG); Association of Fertilizer and Phosphate Chemists (AFPC); and the University of South Florida Polytechnic Florida Industrial and Phosphate Research Institute (FIPR Institute).

Typically, this conference is attended by 300-400 people, mostly from Central Florida. Most attend the opening session and keynote luncheon, which will be on October 12, 2011 at 8:30 a.m. and 12:00 noon, respectively.

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