

ARMR LIBRARY



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*As a geographer and librarian
with a background in mine
remediation policy, I am
passionate about creating
avenues for northern and
Indigenous communities to access
crucial information about their
lands and the activities of private
corporations on those lands.*

THE ARCTIC MINE REMEDIATION LIBRARY

There are considerable barriers for accessing important information about mining activity, mine closure, and environmental remediation in the Arctic.

Documents from governments and industry are numerous and scattered across dozens of websites managed by countless public and private organizations which are often confusing or near impossible to use.

Northern communities frequently have poor or inconsistent internet access, and so navigating through complicated websites becomes even more challenging.

The **ArMR Library** seeks to be an easy-to-use, centralized hub of information for northern communities dealing with issues related to mine closure and abandonment and environmental remediation.

*With more accessible information,
communities can better protect and advocate
for themselves in the face of increasing
pressure from the mining industry*



THE CLIENTS



This project is a partnership between the School of Arctic and Subarctic Studies (SASS) at Memorial University of Newfoundland and Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami (ITK).

The mission of SASS is to deliver programs that meet the needs and priorities of the North, including overseeing high-quality, well-funded research. The School is uniquely **community-oriented** and **land-based**, and benefits from partnerships with community organizations in Labrador and across northern Canada.

ITK is a national organization that represents the interests of Inuit in Canada, and works to protect and promote Inuit rights. ITK conducts **research, outreach, advocacy**, and **education** that progresses the priorities of Inuit across the four regions of Inuit Nunangat. ITK has ongoing projects related to northern food security and children's health and wellbeing, and is now seeking new avenues for increasing access to information.



This partnership between SASS and ITK means that both organizations can pool their expertise, networks, and resources (both human and financial) to facilitate the development and management of a website that will meet the needs of Arctic residents and increase access to critical information about their lands.



Northern residents experience slow and inconsistent internet access, speak diverse languages, and have a wide range of information needs



THE PROJECT

The goal of this website is to create a library of information related to mine closure, abandonment, and remediation in northern Canada. Currently, information related to these topics, if they exist on the internet at all, are scattered across many confusing and inaccessible websites. Essential information about toxic contamination at one abandoned mine site might be spread across multiple company and governments websites, may be out of date, and may not be labeled with accurate or informative metadata.

ArMR Library will be a central location that will collect this information, present it in a way that is easy to find and understand, and also link out to other useful resources. In doing so, communities will be better informed about the activities of mine companies, their rights as outlined by government legislation, and current research and news about these ever-evolving issues.

THE USERS

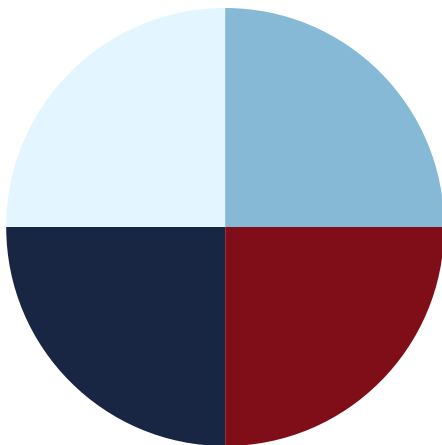
The target audience of the website is **northern residents** across Yukon, the NWT, Nunavut, Nunavik, and Labrador and the various Indigenous and community organizations who represent their needs and interests.



ArMR Library will be simple, cool-toned, and modern while minimizing clicking and loading content



DESIGN PRINCIPLES



Simple design and layout

Easy to navigate

Downloadable resources

WEBSITE COMPONENTS

- **HOMEPAGE**

Will feature images of northern environments with a brief introduction to the site and how it can be used

- **DOCUMENT LIBRARY**

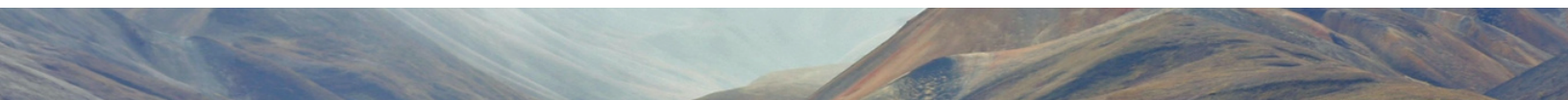
This will be the most important part of the website where users can search for documents related to mine remediation. The library will be broken into subsections by authority – either government, industry, or university resources.

- **ADDITIONAL RESOURCES**

Links to and information about other resources, websites, and organizations that northern communities dealing with mine remediation may find useful. This will include links to territory- and nation-specific community websites and relevant circumpolar networks and advocacy groups.

- **CONTACT**

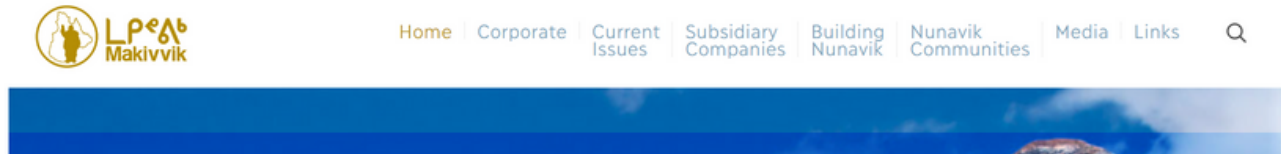
Detailed information about the ArMR Team and how to get in contact for more information or assistance.



ADDITIONAL LAYOUT DETAILS

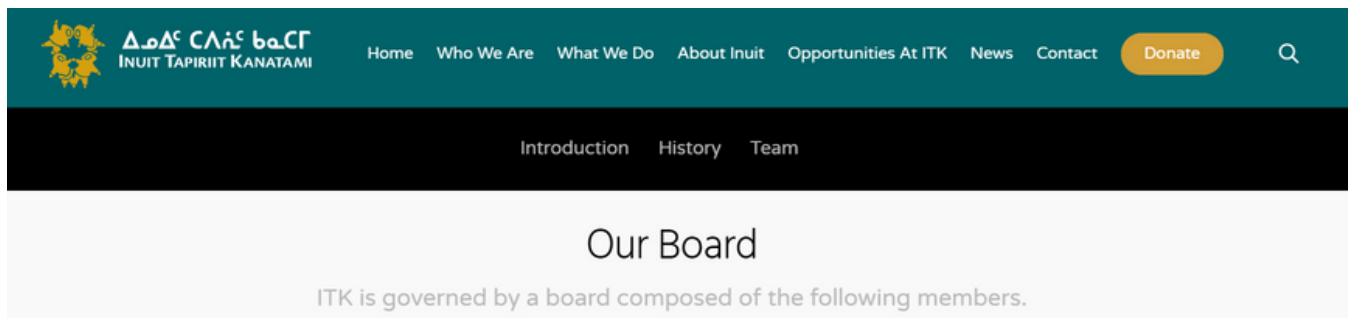
HEADER - ArMR Library logo and links to the different main pages of the site

EXAMPLE: Makivik Corporation website



NAVIGATION: Each main page will have a sticky navigation bar showing the subsections of the page that users can click through if they don't want to scroll

EXAMPLE: ITK website



FOOTER: Basic contact information, and detailed site map, with no images

EXAMPLE: ISR Environmental Impact Review Board website

