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Peabody Environmental Manager Monty Parke Honored for Innovation in Reclamation and Mining Technology

Peabody Sr. Manager – Reclamation Monty Parke has been awarded the 2018 Vance “Pat” Wiram Award for Innovation in Reclamation Technology by the Indiana Society of Mining and Reclamation.

Parke has more than 30 years of experience in farming, mining and reclamation, including more than a decade of developing innovative solutions in coal mine reclamation in Indiana and Illinois. His contributions include uses of cover crops and fertility management for water quality and safe and efficient methods for reclamation of coal refuse sites.



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“Monty’s environmental accomplishments over his distinguished career demonstrate Peabody’s sustainability value, and our focus on taking responsibility for the environment, benefiting our communities and restoring the land,” said Kemal Williamson, Peabody President – Americas. “We are proud of Monty and the reclamation teams in the Midwest for their ongoing efforts to restore the land for generations that follow.”

Parke has been a key leader in the reclamation and final bond release of more than 47,000 acres of mined lands and the release of over \$300 million in reclamation liability in the past 15 years. The land has been restored to productive farmland, diverse wildlife habitat, wetlands and forestland.

In total, Peabody, across its U.S. and Australian platforms in 2017, restored 5,145 acres of mined lands into wildlife habitat, rangeland, hardwood forests, prime farmland, pastoral land and wetlands. In the U.S. this included 892 acres of forested area, 30 acres of wetlands and approximately eight miles of high-quality streams. In addition, Peabody planted 647,602 trees.