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Apprenticeship programme announced

Having a clear qualification pathway, starting with an apprenticeship, helps make the mining and quarrying industry a more attractive career option for new entrants to the industry, including school-leavers.

MinEx, in conjunction with MITO, are bringing together an exciting opportunity for those who want to take up an apprenticeship in the Extractives sector. Expressions of Interest are



being sought from interested potential apprentices who are either working within the mining or quarrying sectors, or who are about to take up employment in either sector.

The pathway starts with MITO's New Zealand Certificate in Mining and Quarrying (Level 2). This training programme takes approximately seven months to complete, and is most suited to those entering the industry.

Graduates can then proceed to the New Zealand Certificate in Mining and Quarrying (Level 4) training programme which will be ready for enrolments in 2019. It is expected that this training programme will take approximately two years to complete.

Any apprenticeship scheme can only work with strong support from employers.



Employers must be committed to supporting their learner(s) through the training programme providing them with time off to attend the classroom training, or participate in workplace training, and pay the training fees associated with the apprenticeship.

Learners must be committed to completing the required elements of the training programme, which includes a mix of classroom and workplace-based training and assessment.

For those wishing to complete a Certificate of Competency for a Statutory Position, the New Zealand Certificate in Mining and Quarrying (Level 4) will include all unit standards required for a current A Grade or B Grade Quarry Manager CoC.

Please send expressions of interest to MinEx CEO Wayne Scott at wayne@minex.org.nz, including full details of the potential apprentice, contact details of the employer, and sector stream (quarry, coal mining, etc).

MinEx health and safety workshops

Blimey! Both workshops in Invercargill are now full. However, if there's enough interest we will put on a third, so please get in contact asap if you would like to attend a workshop in Invercargill.



Just a quick reminder of the workshops still coming up around the country, with thanks to our sponsors ASB Asset Finance, Simcox Construction, GBC Winstone, Tai Poutini, HG Leach & Co and J Swap Contractors..

Cromwell - 7 August

Invercargill - 8 & 9 August (FULL)

Greymouth - 14 August

Blenheim - 15 August

Ashburton - 29 August

Paeroa - 16 October

Te Kuiti - 17 October

Stratford - 18 October

Kerikeri - 24 October

The workshops provide an introduction to Health and Safety Management Systems - what they are, and how to develop one. The elements covered in each workshop are:

- Risk Management
- Workplace Inspections
- Plant
- Training & Competency
- Emergency Response.

You will be provided with a simple HSMS template with forms to use in your operation.

3 hours formal CPD and the workshops are FREE. Register today at office@minex.org.nz

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