

Exploration & Development

IRMA Initiative for Responsible Mining Assurance

Reason For today's Live consultation

- IRMA released in October 2023 two important draft standards for public comment:
 - Draft Standard for Responsible Mining and Mineral Processing V2.0
 Draft Chain of Custody Standard 2.0
- Between Dec 2023 and Jan 2024, IRMA is hosting a series of live consultations as one of the many ways for stakeholders to contribute to the revision process
- These live consultations address either specific topics/chapters or types of projects and operations



Agenda

1. House rules

- 2. Ways to contribute today
- 3. What is IRMA?
- 4. IRMA revision process
- 5. Overview of the proposed changes
- 6. Applicability to Exploration & Development
- 7. Q&A and live chat contribution

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=> All content shared with us today will be saved and considered by IRMA as part of the Standard revision process

3. What is IRMA?

A voluntary assessment and verification system for large-scale mines

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1. The IRMA <u>Standard</u> for Responsible Mining

- Best practice requirements on 26 topics – a comprehensive and rigorous mining standard
- Standard was developed through a robust equally-governed multi-stakeholder process

2. A third-party, independent Assurance System

- Auditors external to the mining company evaluate whether a mine is meeting the IRMA requirements
- The audits include site visits and input from rights holders, mine workers and stakeholders

IRMA's system is unique in hosting a standard and a performance verification system governed by six houses with equal voting rights (and veto power).

A house cannot be left behind in decisions.

Mining	Purchasing	NGOs	Organized Labor	Affected Communities	Investors and Finance
Jon Samuel (Anglo American)	Claudia Becker (BMW.)	Payal Sampat (Earthworks)	Meg Gingrich (United Steelworkers)	Pavel Sulyandziga (Batani Fund)	Ashley Hamilton Claxton (Royal London Asset Management)
Grace Barasso (ArcelorMittal)	J.J. Messner de Latour (Microsoft)	Jim Wormington (Human Rights Watch)	Glen Mpufane (IndustriALL Global Union)	Meschack Mbangula (Mining Affected Communities United in Action, South Africa)	Jamie Bonham (NEI Investments)

Business Integrity

- Legal compliance
- Stakeholder engagement
- Stakeholder grievance mechanism
- Human rights due diligence
- Revenue transparency/anti-corruption

Social Responsibility

Labor rights

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- Worker health & safety
- Community health and safety
- Conflict affected areas
- Security arrangements
- Cultural heritage protection
- Artisanal and small-scale mining

Planning for Positive Legacies

- Socio-environmental impact assessment and management
- Free, Prior and Informed Consent
- Community support and benefits
- Resettlement
- Emergency preparedness and response
- Planning and financing reclamation and closure

Environmental Responsibility

- Water management
- Waste (tailings) management
- Air quality
- Greenhouse gases emissions
- Noise management
- Biodiversity, ecosystem services, protected areas
- Cyanide management
- Mercury management



IRMA revision process

A comprehensive revision of our standards allows us to: Ensure our system **remains accountable** to all sectors

and is aligned with our mission and vision



Remain up-to-date: Reflect the latest scientific understanding in our standard; learning from other standards, policies, laws



Add clarity: Make the standard clearer, more accessible for all stakeholders; learning from first audits



Add consistency: Better align the structure and flow of chapters that are similar; embedding good management systems practice and models

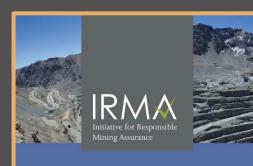


Fill gaps: Address the most significant environmental and social issues

Holistic and integrated approach

IRMA is evolving to address key phases of the mineral supply chain.

Mining



IRMA Standard for **Responsible Mining** IRMA-STD-001



Holistic and integrated approach

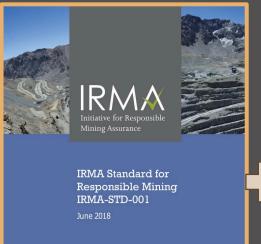
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- Exploration & Development
- Mining
- Mineral processing

Version: Stages 1 - 6 (Full Standard)

IRMA Standard for Responsible Mineral Exploration and Development ("IRMA-Ready" Standard)

Draft v.1.0 December 2021





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Standard for Responsible Mineral Processing Draft version 1.0

IRMA MINERAL PROCESSING STANDARD (DRAFT 1.0) – JUNE 2021 www.responsblemining.net DRAFT Standard for Responsible Minin and Mineral Processing 2.0

October 20

What is in the new consultation draft?

- Transmittal Letter: Not Board approved; invitation for comments on all content; reflection of IRMA principles (best practice, sound science, efficiency, equal stakeholder value, etc.), the context for proposed changes and questions
- Drafters' Notes: Indicate divergence with the 2018 Mining Standard, why the change is being proposed.
 - **NOTES** at the beginning of each chapter (summary of changes proposed)
 - NOTES under requirements that are proposed to change and why (e.g., previous requirement wording was unclear, or we had a gap with other standards, international norms, regulatory bodies. Indicates NEW or REVISED or unchanged.)
 - CONSULTATION QUESTIONS lay out the challenging issues that have been raised and ask for feedback to help resolve them
- An Excel version, as some prefer to read and comment back in Excel. It contained consultation questions and NOTES.

Consultation draft informed by:

- Experiences from initial IRMA audits
- Review of other standards
- Increased public awareness and evolving expectations of best practice
- Review of emerging issues garnering international discussions
- Comments on DRAFT IRMA-Ready and Mineral Processing
- Ongoing input from stakeholders on particular content
- Expert working group discussions

Public Consultation period is open

From Oct 26 – Jan 26: 90 days



https://www.responsiblemining.net/comments2

Other channels

Via email

comments@responsiblemining.net

Via WhatsApp

To comment via text or voice, use the IRMA WhatsApp number: +1.301.202.1445

• Via postal mail to: IRMA Std Comments; 113 Cherry St, #74985; Seattle, Washington, 98104; USA



End date: January 26, 2024

5. Proposed changes

Structural changes to the Standard

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Integrated 3 standards, which required changes in some terms

(e.g., operating company is now entity; mine site is now project or operation depending on stage of development)

- Reorganization of content to have a consistent flow in similar chapters
- More clarity where there are multiple sub-requirements
- Filling gaps where certain elements were overlooked

(e.g., some chapters required assessment of risks/impacts, but didn't require a management plan outlining how impacts were to be mitigated/managed)

- More consistency on terminology and on similar criteria
- Removed language referring to new mines vs. existing mines => 'entities' that distinction made auditing challenging, and produced inconsistent expectations for different sites (based solely on the date they came into operation)

Proposed new Chapters

Gender Equality & Gender Protections

To achieve and maintain gender equality, gender mainstreaming, and gender protections in the workplace and communities where mining and mineral processing takes place.

Management of Physical Stability

To manage wastes, materials and facilities in a manner that minimizes their short- and long-term physical risks, and protects workers as well as the human rights, health and safety of communities and future land and water uses.

Land and Soil Management

To prevent contamination, mitigate and remediate soil pollution, and address degradation of land and soil to enable current and future beneficial uses of soil and land resources.

Mineral Supply Chain and Responsible Sourcing

Applicable only to Mineral Processing: processing operations know and engage with suppliers, and increasingly source input materials from suppliers that have strong environmental, social and governance performance.

Consolidated Chapters

Cyanide and Mercury Management

are now integrated within existing chapters, especially Waste, Materials, Water, and Air Quality management

Draft Standard 2.0: Proposed Changes (summary) Business Integrity

Legal Compliance

- System to identify and track compliance
- Provision of regulatory compliance information to stakeholders included in policy
- More details on contractor compliance

Gender Equality & Gender Protections

NEW

- Gender policy
- Assessment of gender-related risks and opportunities
- Management plan to address issues and opportunities
- Monitoring of progress
- Reporting on progress

Stakeholder Engagement

- "Access to information" policy
- Informing stakeholders that they can request and obtain information (VS 'upon request' requirements)
- Mapping + Analysis VS identification
- Strengthened engagement plan + gender analysis

Grievance Mechanism and Access to Remedy

- Staff training (VS information)
- Clarification on reporting (to complainants + stakeholders in general)
- Clarification on scope

Financial Transparency and Anti-Corruption

(name changed from 'Revenue and Payments Transparency')

- Communication of procedures
- Reporting on bribery and corruption
- More detail on anti-corruption procedures.

Human Rights Due Diligence

- Management plan
- Effectiveness review

Mineral Supply Chain & Responsible Sourcing

- Not yet opened for public comment
- Expert Group to be convened

Draft Standard 2.0: Proposed Changes

(summary) Planning for Positive Legacies

ESIA and Management

- Exploration-specific criteria
- Gap analysis between IRMA and government requirements (if any)
- Nature-based solutions
- Circularity
- Climate change and adaptation
- Stakeholder engagement
 consolidated throughout

Community Support & Delivering Benefits

- Procurement policy
- Support for local suppliers and businesses needs to be evidenced

Indigenous Peoples and FPIC

(name changed from 'FPIC')

- Remediating past (or present) impacts on Indigenous Peoples
- Indigenous Peoples' Development Plan
- Specific grievance mechanism
- Clarification on the rights of uncontacted peoples
- Clarification on FPIC or remedy agreements, and community approval

Community Emergency Preparedness and Response

(name changed from 'Emergency Preparedness and Response')

- Specific requirements to VS general reference to UN APELL
- Worker-related emergency response moved to H&S

Land Acquisition, Displacement, and Resettlement

- Documenting circumstances of past land acquisition and displacement
- Assess and remedy for past impacts related to historical resettlement
- Gender equity
- Avoidance of temporary displacement
- Clarification on voluntary displacement

Planning and Financing Reclamation and Closure

- Clarification where no gov' assurance mechanism
- Concurrent reclamation
- Closure and post-closure consolidated
- Extensive restructuration to consolidate chapter

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Draft Standard 2.0: Proposed Changes (summary) Social Responsibility

Fair Labor and Terms of Work

- Policies on Child & Forced Labor
- Anti-harassment
- Training on more procedures
- Clarification on whistleblowers
- Clarification on retrenchment planning
- Consolidated freedom of association and collective bargaining

Conflict-Affected and High-Risk Area Due Diligence

(name changed from 'Mining and Conflict-Affected or High-Risk Areas')

 Revision to align with OECD Due Diligence Guidance for Responsible Supply Chains of Minerals from Conflict-Affected and High-Risk Areas

Occupational Health and Safety

- 16 more requirements to reflect 2022 ILO Convention's resolution to include a safe and healthy working environment as its 5th principle (incl. Policies, senior accountability, contractor management, reporting procedures, training, housing, reporting)
- Clarification on covid/diseases

Cultural Heritage

- Cultural heritage due diligence
- Assessment and remediation plan if past impacts are found
- Effectiveness review of mitigation measures
- Consolidated mitigation expectations and requirements
- Requirement related to uncontacted peoples moved to Principle 2

Community Health and Safety

- Baseline data
- Monitoring and evaluation
- Periodic updates
- Clarification on health surveillance

Security Arrangements

- Clarification on security risk + risks from security
- Consolidated management plan and monitoring

Artisanal and Small-Scale Mining

• Enhancements for entities that source from ASM

Draft Standard 2.0: Proposed Changes

(summary) Environmental Responsibility

Waste and Materials Mgmt.

- Broader scope (beyond tailings and waste rock)
- Enhanced documentation, identification and mitigation, as well as storage and transportation
- Integrate some Cyanide and Mercury criteria

Biodiversity, Ecosystem services and Protected Areas

- Separated out some biodiversity/ecosystems/ protected areas
- Specific references to fungi
- Structural changes and additions to increase consistency

Water Management

- Liquids/brines contaminant analysis
- Enhanced concepts like conceptual site models and water balance
- Clarification on sequence and language
- Revised data reporting
- Integrate some Cyanide and Mercury criteria

Air Quality

- New step to characterize air emission sources
- Operation of air emissions control equipment
- Emergency situations
- Integrate some Cyanide and Mercury criteria

Land and Soil Management

NEW

- Requirements from the 1st Mineral Processing draft
- Similar flow to the Water Management chapter

GHG and Energy Consumption

Energy measurement

- Emission and energy reduction targets + renewables targets (both absolute and relative)
- Scope 3 emissions
- I hird-party verification
- Criteria for carbon offsets (when applicable)
- Effectiveness tracking

Mgmt. of Physical Stability NEW

- Physical stability of: waste facilities (e.g., tailings, waste rock); other major facilities (e.g., water dams, large brine ponds, etc.); pits highwalls and ground
- Consequence-based risk assessment
- Best practice mitigation and design criteria
- Enhanced requirements for high-risk/critical facilities

Noise and Vibration

- Scoping step
- Scoping of noise impacts on wildlife
- Consolidated management plan

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6. Applicability to Exploration & Development

IRMA definitions Mineral Development Life Cycle

Exploration Stage 1

Office compilation, photo-geologic study, pre-contact and exploration investigations (e.g., review of existing information, previous studies, research, and screening evaluations). The strict assumption in all cases is that there are no on-the-ground or in-the-air activities or activities that presume future exploration, such as contact with affected communities or applying for permits during the desktop stage of exploration.

Exploration Stage 2

Preparatory activities, consultations with affected communities, exploration project specific free, prior and informed consent (FPIC) determination, initial non-invasive site visits. The assumption in all cases is that these activities are conducted prior to other Stage 2 activities including any aerial examinations, geologic examinations, mapping and investigations, geochemical sampling, geophysicsairborne/ground, non-mechanized surface trenching.

Exploration Stage 3

Continued consultations with affected communities, exploration project specific FPIC determination, road construction, mechanized surface trenching, rotary drilling, core drilling, underground work, other surface work (e.g., surface facilities to support underground work), bulk sampling, on-site pilot processing plant. If additional exploration or infill drilling is performed during mine development or the operations stages, then the requirements of Stage #3 are applicable to those activities.

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IRMA definitions Mineral Development Life Cycle

Project Development

Baseline environmental data collection, stakeholder engagement related to mining project proposals, proposed operations level FPIC determination, project designs, prefeasibility, and feasibility study.

Project Permitting

Permit application and environmental social impact assessment, permit finalization.

Construction

For new projects, applies to the period between permit finalization and initiation of operations. Includes site clearing, topsoil salvage, development of utility corridors, construction of roads and facilities (may only be first stage or site – other stages may occur after operations have commenced).

IRMA definitions Mineral Development Life Cycle

Operational Stage

The set of activities being undertaken for the purpose of extracting and/or processing mineral resources, including the running and management of facilities and infrastructure required to support the activities, and the ongoing legal, environmental, social and governance activities necessary to maintain the business endeavor.

Reclamation

Closure

Post-Closure

DRAFT Applicability Guidance Available

Full document available on IRMA website, under **Resources**

Application of the *IRMA Draft Standard for Responsible Mining and Mineral Processing 2.0* to all phases of Mineral Development Projects and Operations

Proposed Normative Requirements for Exploration, Project Development, Project Permitting, Mining Operations, and Mineral Processing

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This application document does not address the applicability of the IRMA DRAFT Standard 2.0 for the construction, the **<u>reclamation</u>**, the <u>**closure**</u>, and the post-closure phases. It is assumed that those activities would be addressed and assessed within project permitting and/or operations phase requirements.

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IRMA is dedicated to a participatory process including public consultation with a wide range of affected people globally and seeks feedback, comments, questions, and recommendations for improvement of the IRMA DRAFT Standard 2.0 as well as this application document.

Example – Chapter 4.2: Water Management

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4.2.2	Scoping Issues and Risks Related to Water	4.2.2.2			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
4.2.2	Scoping Issues and Risks Related to Water	4.2.2.3			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
4.2.2	Scoping Issues and Risks Related to Water	4.2.2.4			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
4.2.2	Scoping Issues and Risks Related to Water	4.2.2.5					Yes	Yes	
4.2.3	Assessment of Short- and Long-Term Risks to Water	4.2.3.1			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
4.2.3	Assessment of Short- and Long-Term Risks to Water	4.2.3.2			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
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4.2.3	Assessment of Short- and Long-Term Risks to Water	4.2.3.5			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
	Water Management Planning and Implementation	4.2.4.1			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
	Water Management Planning and Implementation	4.2.4.2			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
	Water Management Planning and Implementation	4.2.4.3			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
	Water Management Planning and Implementation	4.2.4.4			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
	Water Management Planning and Implementation	4.2.4.5			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
4.2.4	Water Management Planning and Implementation	4.2.4.6			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
	Water Management Planning and Implementation	4.2.4.7	Yes		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
	Water Management Planning and Implementation	4.2.4.8			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
	Water Management Planning and Implementation	4.2.4.9			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
	Water Monitoring Program	4.2.5.1	Yes		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
	Water Monitoring Program	4.2.5.2			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
4.2.5	Water Monitoring Program	4.2.5.3			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
4.2.6	Comparison of Monitoring Results to Water Quality/Quantity Cr	4.2.6.1			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
	Comparison of Monitoring Results to Water Quality/Quantity Cr	4.2.6.2			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
	Reporting and Disclosure of Water Management Performance	4.2.7.1			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
4.2.7	Reporting and Disclosure of Water Management Performance	4.2.7.2			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
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	Reporting and Disclosure of Water Management Performance	4.2.7.4			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
4.2.7	Reporting and Disclosure of Water Management Performance	4.2.7.5			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	

Example – Chapter 2.6: Planning and Financing Reclamation and Closure

	Criteria name	Req #	Critical	Exploration.	Exploration 2	Exploration 5	Project pevelop	/	<u>/ 0* 8 8*</u>	2055 C
	Reclamation and Closure Planning	2.6.1.1					Yes	Yes	Yes	
2.6.1	Reclamation and Closure Planning	2.6.1.2				Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
2.6.1	Reclamation and Closure Planning	2.6.1.3				Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
2.6.1	Reclamation and Closure Planning	2.6.1.4				Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
2.6.1	Reclamation and Closure Planning	2.6.1.5				Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
2.6.1	Reclamation and Closure Planning	2.6.1.6				Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
2.6.1	Reclamation and Closure Planning	2.6.1.7				Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
2.6.2	Backfilling as a Part of Reclamation	2.6.2.1			Yes	Yes	Yes			
2.6.2	Backfilling as a Part of Reclamation	2.6.2.2						Yes	Yes	
2.6.2	Backfilling as a Part of Reclamation	2.6.2.3				Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
2.6.3	Financial Assurance	2.6.3.1	Yes			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
2.6.3	Financial Assurance	2.6.3.2				Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
2.6.4	Disclosure	2.6.4.1				Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	

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Example – Chapter 2.2: Indigenous Peoples and Free, Prior and Informed Consent (FPIC)

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2.2.1	Policy Commitment	2.2.1.1		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
2.2.2	Due Diligence Related to State Obligations	2.2.2.1			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
2.2.2	Due Diligence Related to State Obligations	2.2.2.2			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
2.2.3	Identification of and Engagement with Indigenous Peoples	2.2.3.1		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
2.2.3	Identification of and Engagement with Indigenous Peoples	2.2.3.2			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
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2.2.3	Identification of and Engagement with Indigenous Peoples	2.2.3.5			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
2.2.3	Identification of and Engagement with Indigenous Peoples	2.2.3.6			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
2.2.4	Processes for Reaching Agreements on Past Impacts and Seeking Free, Prior and	2.2.4.1							Yes	
2.2.4	Processes for Reaching Agreements on Past Impacts and Seeking Free, Prior and	2.2.4.2			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
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2.2.4	Processes for Reaching Agreements on Past Impacts and Seeking Free, Prior and	2.2.4.7			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
2.2.5	Implementation Plan and Monitoring of Agreements	2.2.5.1			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
2.2.5	Implementation Plan and Monitoring of Agreements	2.2.5.2			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
2.2.5	Implementation Plan and Monitoring of Agreements	2.2.5.3			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
2.2.6	Ongoing Engagement	2.2.6.1			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
2.2.6	Ongoing Engagement	2.2.6.2			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	

Example – Chapter 2.2: Indigenous Peoples and Free, Prior and Informed Consent (FPIC)

	Chapter	Criteria	Stage 1 Exploration	Stage 2 Exploration	Stage 3 Exploration	Project Development	Project Permitting	Operating Mines/ Mineral Processors		
	Indigenous	2.2.1.1			FPIC policy	required in all pr	nases			
	Peoples and	2.2.3.1.	Identification and engagement with Indigenous Peoples required in all phases							
2.2	Free, Prior and	2.2.4.1			Required					
	Informed	Rest of	Not required							
	Consent (FPIC)	chapter	Not required	Not required if 2.2.3.1 does not identify Indigenous Peoples						

Number of IRMA requirements applicable per stage from Minimum (all exemptions granted) to Maximum (no exemption scenario)



Number of IRMA requirements applicable per stage

- Neither this draft document nor the intended final version will preempt the need for an entity willing to engage in an IRMA independent audit to go through the IRMA Assurance System and submit an application.
- The IRMA application process ensures there is a shared understanding on the entity's unique context and the scope of relevant requirements applicable to the entity.
- The information provided in this application document can be used:
 a) by existing projects, operations or entities; and
 b) as an initial screening tool for potential projects.

Preparing Entities and Audit Firms From V.1 to V.2 PROPOSED DRAFT Transition Plan

Managing the Process

- Final V.2 Standard, once finalized and adopted, will trigger transition period
 - Already engaged sites = may choose V.1 or V.2 for assessments planned during transition period
 - **New participants** = measured against V.2
 - Audits underway to V.1 to be completed within timeframe (TBD)
- After transition period, all audits will use V.2
- Version will be identified on IRMA website and on verification statements

Supporting the Process

- Draft V.2 tools include spreadsheet crosswalk and guidance notes
- MineMeasure will transition self-assessment data from V.1 to V.2
- Auditor/site re-training
- Stakeholder info sessions (purchasers, communities, etc)

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