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Mine Restoration with

Biochar

Increasing revegetation success with biochar.

This research currently explores the production, application and effects of biochar on northern mine impacted sites in the Yukon Territory.

Biochar is a product that results from the oxygen limited heating of various biological ingredients, such as wood, fish or animal bone and can improve soil conditions and promote long term re-vegetative success.

In 2012 higher rates of germination and growth were observed for native grasses, seeded directly on tailings at the Keno Hill Silver District, when tailings were amended with a bonemeal biochar.

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