

COLORADO GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

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U.S. Forest Service Abandoned Mine Land Inventory Project Map - Colorado (Data) - v20200820

HOW TO USE THIS ZIP FILE

To open the compressed (.zip) file that you downloaded, double-click on the file. Inside the folder labeled **ON-008-04D**, there are a number of files and folders. Some files are stored in Adobe Portable Document (.pdf) format. Geographic Information Systems (GIS) data are also included. These data are in ESRI's Shapefile and Geodatabase format.

A detailed discussion on the overall project history, design, and execution is found at [OF-19-12 Colorado Abandoned Mine Land Inventory and Information Hub: Report on the Development and Data Sources](#). This report also plots the current and future implementation of online resources related to AML in Colorado.

HOW TO IDENTIFY AND READ FILES

REPORT DOCUMENTS

- **ON-008-04D-Read_Me.pdf**
This file
- **ON-008-04D National Forest Reports.pdf**
Compilation of numerous individual Ranger District field reports, organized by National Forest, summarizing sites of particular concern in each applicable ranger district
- **ON-008-04D Project Documents.pdf**
Includes a Field Guide providing general guidelines for the field geologist gathering AML data, sample USFS AML Field Data Form, and a Data Dictionary
- **GIS_Data folder**
Contains Geodatabase files and metadata on the provenance and methodology

To view .pdf files

If you don't already have Adobe Reader installed on your device, visit <https://get.adobe.com/reader/> to download a free version of the software. Then, start Adobe Reader and choose "File," "Open," and locate the .pdf files where you downloaded them, they will open in Adobe Reader.

To view GIS files

GIS files may be viewed using Geographic Information Systems software packages such as ESRI's ArcGIS platform. Included are Geodatabases, Shapefiles and layer files of the geologic elements. Within ArcGIS, it may be necessary to reset the "data source" on layer files to ensure proper viewing. Metadata is associated with both the Geodatabase feature classes and the Shapefiles and is best viewed using the Metadata tab in ESRI's ArcCatalog.

Alternatively, these files may be viewed using QGIS, a free and open-source GIS software package, available

for download at <https://download.qgis.org/>.

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