

Focus groups are being held across Marquette and Baraga counties to access community members' views on mining in the area. These groups include, but are not limited to, groups interested in environmental monitoring, business, community health, labor, recreation, infrastructure, government and education.

The public is invited to attend any of the following focus groups:

**Monday, January 26 from 6:30-7:30 p.m.  
Ramada of Marquette**

**Tuesday, January 27 from 7-8 p.m.  
Marquette Cinemas**

**Wednesday, January 28 from 5-6 p.m.  
Sawyer International Airport in the Airport Services Center**

**Thursday, January 29 from 6-7 p.m.  
Carnegie Library in Ishpeming**

Focus group participants are asked to engage in a respectful discussion about the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats of mining in the Upper Peninsula. The study is being funded by Eagle Mine, LLC and the research is being conducted independently by two economists, Tawni Hunt Ferrarini and Marcelo Siles.

Reports from the 2010 and 2012 focus groups can be found at <http://miningandcommunities.blogspot.com>.

Although an RSVP is not required, it would be appreciated. To RSVP, email Hannah Lewis at [hannah.kratzlewis@gmail.com](mailto:hannah.kratzlewis@gmail.com).