Mining Lands Administration System (MLAS)

Fact Sheet

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MLAS Release 2.5.19 System Upgrade Alert

As part of ongoing efforts to bring you one of the most comprehensive mining lands management systems in the world, the Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry regularly tests and installs updated versions of the Mining Lands Administration System (MLAS).

The following applications and functions have been recently improved or implemented:

Assessment work updates:

- Sections of the Work Reporting Menu have been enhanced to provide greater clarity when submitting a Work Report and accompanying Pending Distribution.
- The text boxes for the Unit of Work will now allow a combination of text, numbers and symbols.
- Claims used as contiguity only will no longer receive a Distribution entry on their abstracts.

Client management updates:

- An alternate email address has been added to the Update Client Profile for all users. You can now enter and confirm up to two different email addresses per profile.

Reports:

- NEW – Township Report. MLAS users can search for active claims, ownership and due date by township.
- NEW – Agent Report. MLAS users can now search for their own agent roles and permissions for the clients they represent. Please note that Register a Mining Claim and Client Confirmed SRO Notification permissions may not appear. We continue to work on this issue.

Map viewer:

- Under the "I want to" tab, users can now find information on specific map layers by drawing a square.

- Under the "I want to" tab, users can now select which map layers to view through the "Change visible map layers" tool.
- Under the 'I want to" tab, the "Find an ENDM Township or Area" search function's drop-down input box has been enhanced to auto-populate.
- The auto-populate feature has been fixed for the "Zoom to" and "Query" tools.
- Users can now upload their own shapefiles and point files (csv, xlsx, gpx) using the 'Upload Data' tool in the Map Information menu.
- Users can now export drawings as shapefiles using the Export Drawings in the Markup & Printing menu when drawings are created.
- The Label Map feature has been removed and users can now use the "enhanced" drawing tools and styles available through the Markup & Printing menu with the ability to "Plot a coordinate" available by right-clicking the map window.
- The viewer now opens with the "About" tab for a quick reference to the online "Help file."
- Alienation labels now draw at a scale of 1:72,224.
- The Mining Claim Number layer now includes the claim extent along with the claim number to provide additional options for visualization of mining claims.

Please note: Several internal administrative functions and mapping operation improvements have been enhanced to help the ministry provide better customer service.

COVID-19 exclusion of time requests:

With Ontario now in Step Three of the Province's Roadmap to Reopen, the Ministry will not extend further the offer of the simplified COVID-19 related exclusion of time requests. We will continue to accept the simplified exclusion of time requests **for claims due before or on October 31, 2021**. We suggest claimholders plan their work programs accordingly.

More information:

If you have questions about MLAS, contact the Mining Lands Section at 1-888-415-9845 or pro.ndm@ontario.ca.