



# McKENNA GEOTECHNICAL

## Biography

**Gord McKenna, PhD, PENG, PGEOL**

Gord McKenna is a geotechnical engineer and geologist who builds landforms and watersheds. He has 30+ years experience in the mining industry in operations and consulting working on oil sands, coal, and metal mines. Gord founded McKenna Geotechnical Inc in 2017 to allow him to bring his landform design experience to a broader audience and to provide independent geotechnical advice on geotechnical review boards, panels, and for First Nations.

Gord and his team have designed and built 20 reclaimed watersheds that cover 40 square kilometers and contain about 30 wetlands and 90 kilometers of streams. He has been a lead contributor to several manuals involving landform design, mine reclamation, and tailings and co-authored over 85 papers.

Gord's specialties include mining geotechnique, soft tailings, landform design, and closure planning. He has a bachelor's degree in Geological Engineering from University of British Columbia and a PhD in Geotechnical Engineering from the University of Alberta. Gord is also a pilot, traveller, and photographer.

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