

Update on Uranium Mining in Australia's Northern Territory

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The Northern Territory of Australia has been associated with uranium mining since the late 1940s and the industry has gone through a number of cycles of "boom and bust" in that time. There have been several mining operations which have come and gone over the years and these are described briefly in the presentation. Mine remediation has been a focus at some sites and exploration is ongoing in prospective areas. Today the industry is preparing for the closure of the Ranger Uranium Mine are well underway. Ranger is currently Australia's longest operating uranium mine since production began in 1980. The closure and remediation of Ranger present a series of significant challenges due to its location surrounded by a world heritage national park and the need to observe stringent environmental requirements set out in the authority to mine. The presentation describes current and recent activity at the site as well as providing an update on other uranium mining related activities.