

# FEBRUARY 2024 MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

This month we will be hearing from:

***Steve Rowland, P.E.***

**Title:**

***Getting to the Graphite***



Steve Rowland is president and majority owner of RECON LLC. He has more than 36 years of experience in civil and geological engineering. He specializes in remote route reconnaissance, facilities location, and infrastructure design. Projects include mineral exploration and development, public facilities, and project management. Mr. Rowland has personally completed route reconnaissance and selection for thousands of miles of linear infrastructure throughout Alaska and northern Canada.

Steve will give a presentation about the graphite deposits located on the north side of the Kigluaik Mountains on the Seward Peninsula in western Alaska. The US Government has identified it as the single most significant graphite resource known to exist in North America and “among the largest in the world”. Because the USA is currently 100% dependent on imports of natural graphite, there is significant interest in defining access to the resource and completing an ongoing feasibility study for potential development of a mine and associated access road. This presentation will review the road route reconnaissance process and engineering work required to define and design access infrastructure in this remote subarctic environment.

**WHEN: February 14, 2024 1200 - 1300**

**WHERE: Mat-Su College, Room JKB 128**

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