

DIRECT**ACTION**

Industrial Workers of the World

An Injury To One - Is An Injury To All!

SAVE OUR SPERRINS: Poisonous Gold Mining Has To Stop!

What is for sure is that greedy multinationals, such as international toxic gold mining company Dalradian Gold, will stop at nothing to try and extract gold from the Sperrins mountain range.

Recent news articles churned out by the press of tree planting projects with local schools simply doesn't wash with our communities.

One "local paper" proclaimed that the poisonous mining firm has worked its way into local schools under the guise of supplying lucrative toxic funds as part of an "environmental" project.

One such project suggested that an estimated 700 native trees would be planted with the assistance of local school children in order to help enhance the environment.

A representative of the Industrial Workers of the World in the North West criticised the announcement as "poisonous".

In a statement issued by the union's environmental spokesperson said: "We have all sadly witnessed similar sweeteners being handed out with equal media fanfare similar to this over the past number of years. It has to be the oldest trick in the book.

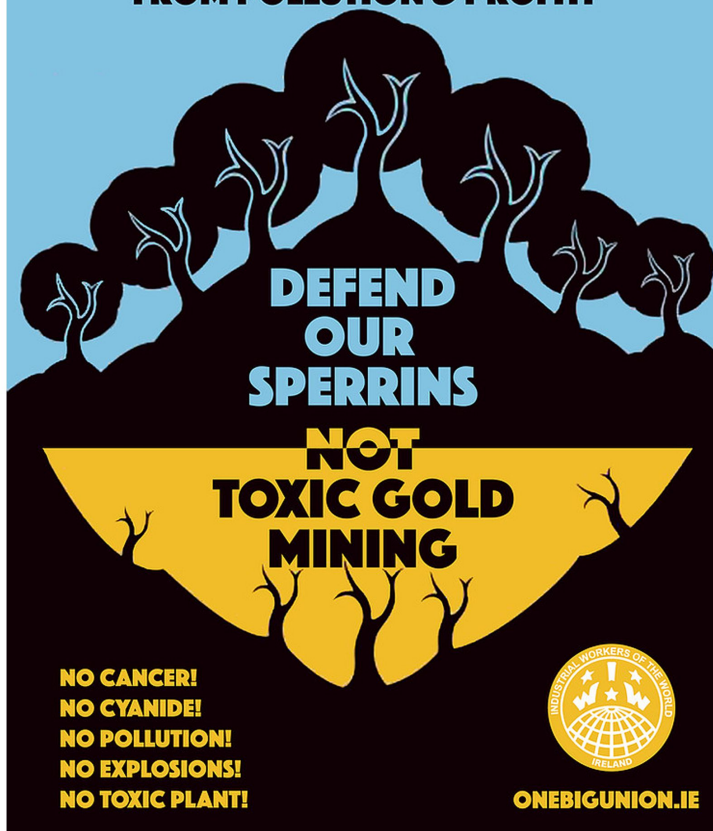
"In other countries in which multinational mining companies have racked untold environmental destruction, similar behaviour has been something of the norm. Cash for schools or sports groups, and cash for this that and the other. It's all carefully designed to buy-off or silence future opposition to their overall plan's. It is sinister, calculated and ruthless.

"In this latest fanfare we have a huge tree planting project, said to be with local schools, it is nothing short of poisonous. A toxic gold mining company such as Dalradian, seemingly interested in funding the planting of several hundred native trees is something that should sound alarm bells across the entire community.

"No amount of tree planting would help prevent or cancel out the devastation left behind after what a toxic gold mining project would do on our community and the lives of our children they used to plant trees.

"Their toxic slush funds are endless compared to the vast profits these companies could make following the destruction of our landscape and the lives of future generations of children.

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"Each and everyone of us, as well as our communities will be directly effected by the poisonous plan's brought on by gold mining in the Sperrins.

"So too will it effect the very land, our water tributaries and air we breathe. We must continue to support grassroots community opposition to toxic gold mining and protect our earth from pollution and profit".

It is vital that we continue to help highlight and organise with ongoing grassroots community activists against Dalradian's planned project to profit from the destruction of our land, our community and the lives of workers across the North West region.

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IWW: Racist Graffiti Is An Attack On All The Community

A spokesperson for the Industrial Workers of the World Belfast Branch earlier today condemned racist slogans dubbed on a number of walls in the East of the city as "an attack on all the community".

As word reached residents throughout Dundonald this morning, a spokesperson for the IWW Belfast Branch said, "It's shocking to see racist slogans appearing in communities that have for years strived to become and open and welcoming for everyone. This is an attack on all the community and the different communities it represents."

"As a union we believe there is no such thing as 'white power' and we must counteract any notion of it with working-class solidarity."

"The IWW stands with Black and Minority Ethnic community which make up the communities that have been targeted by this shameful display of racism by a small number of individuals."

"As workers we abhor all forms of discrimination against our common humanity and recognise that racism like sectarianism, is a structure designed to keep workers divided. Racists serve the interests of the elite and are working-class traitors."

"There can be no tolerance for racism in our communities so mindless actions such as this should be removed. We must stand together both in the workplace and in our communities with our BAME neighbours, friends and families to ensure racism is challenged wherever it raises its head."

IWW Online Talk on General Defense Committee

Following recent motion at the IWW Ireland Branch Conference in relation to proposed discussions on the idea of building General Defense Committees, activists are currently engaged in planning forthcoming online public talk on the tactics of General Defense Committees. A date for this will be made public this month when final details are confirmed.

INSIDE OUT: Incarcerated Workers

Incarcerated Workers Organising Committee has members across the country, who play a vital role within the IWW in an effort to support and show solidarity with members on the inside. Our work forms part of ongoing outreach to incarcerated workers across Ireland and discussing issues important to those on the inside.

To date we have slowly increased contact with prisoners who have been relating news directly affecting their daily lives from Covid-19 health concerns to workplace issues. From health and safe, training and areas of educational.

IWOC members are currently creating a Zine with news, writing, poetry and art, created by and for incarcerated workers.

If you are an incarcerated worker or you have a relative on the inside who you think would be interested then consider getting in touch and getting organised with other IWOC members on the inside.

Facebook: IWOC Ireland
Online: onebigunion.ie/iwocireland

Or you can write to:
IWOC P.O. Box 346, Derry, BT48 4FZ, Ireland.

ORGANISING SUMMIT
SPRING 2021

10 APRIL
BUILDING WORKER POWER FROM THE GROUND UP. BASICS OF ORGANISING OUTSIDE OF A FORMAL RECOGNITION FRAMEWORK. Marianne Garneau
3-6PM

15 APRIL
WHAT IS WORKPLACE RECOGNITION AND IS IT A GOAL THE IWW SHOULD PURSUE?
6-8PM

24 APRIL
CASEWORK IN THE IWW - DOES IT HAVE A PLACE WITHIN THE ORGANISATION?
3-6PM

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DIRECT ACTION SUBMISSIONS

If you have an issue, a story, a short news article or would like to advertise an event from your area then please remember to submit it to **Direct Action**. You can send your submissions directly to **Direct Action** to ireland@iww.org.uk.

THIS IS THE ONE BIG UNION!

The Ireland branch of the IWW has members in towns and cities throughout the country, both north and south, such as Dublin, Athlone, Cork, Derry, Belfast, Galway, Newry, Dungiven, Clare, Waterford, Donegal, Newcastle, Limerick, Portadown, Kildare and Tralee.

Our membership is wide and varied which so far includes workers in the public sector, construction, students, musicians, administration, artists, community, unemployed, IT, incarcerated and hospital workers. You can help it grow further by playing an active role within the branch locally or nationally.

No matter how small a part, you can help make your union become stronger!



IWW CONTACTS IN YOUR AREA

Members in each area meet each month to discuss, support and organise activity locally.

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