



OVERVIEW OF PUBLICATION TYPES

As our name suggests, guidelines are a primary output of GMG. However, GMG projects and Working Groups can also produce other types of outputs. The table below describes some key types of publications produced by GMG.

Type	Definition	Development	GMG Approvals
Guideline	Peer-reviewed documents that offer best practices, guide on the implementation and adoption of new technologies, or develop industry alignment. They are the product of industry-wide collaboration based on experience and lessons learned. The guidance aims to help identify key considerations, good practices, and questions to ask on the topic covered and enable operational improvements for safe, sustainable, and productive mines. Once the guideline is reviewed and accepted by the project group, Working Group members peer review and approve draft documents prior to their approval by the GMG Board of Directors.	Collaboratively authored by industry participants	Robust
White Paper	Educational or foundational documents that provide broad knowledge and identify further reading on a topic that is new to or not well-understood in the industry. The development process is similar to that of guidelines. These documents are reviewed throughout development and editing but do not undergo the Working Group review and voting process as guidelines do. These projects can lead to guideline development.	Collaboratively developed by industry participants	Moderate
Case Study	Examples of situations and experiences to share knowledge and experience and provide examples for the benefit of the broader industry.	Individually developed by industry participants	Minimal
Landscape	Reviews of ongoing related work by other organizations. These aim to provide the industry with an idea of what exists while also preventing duplication of effort. They can also supplement other GMG publications by providing a resource for the industry to find related work. They are typically published as live documents and updated as needed. Note that many landscapes are developed throughout Working Group and project processes to prevent the duplication of work and assist in decision-making, but they are only formally published if they are seen as a widely useful resource.	Typically done by GMG with support and guidance from participants	Minimal



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Report	Outcomes of outreach, industry research, and events can be presented in reports and can inform the priorities for developing industry guidance. There are two different subcategories of reports based on how in-depth the research is (see below). In projects, reports can be produced when there is a need for industry alignment or consensus or when the problems are unclear. Reports might also be produced by the Working Groups or within the broader GMG community for the same reasons or to help provide strategic direction.	See below	See below	
	<i>Published Industry Report</i>	Detailed reports that are developed through structured interviews with key stakeholders, structured workshops or roundtables, in-depth surveys, or other research methods.	Typically done by GMG with support and guidance from participants	Moderate
	<i>Basic Report</i>	A brief capture of input from a single event, a brief survey on priorities, or other similar forms of research.	Typically done by GMG with support and guidance from participants	Minimal
Technical Output	Technical outputs such as open-source solutions or data repositories.	Collaboratively developed by industry participants	Moderate	
Other	Other examples or tools such as templates and summaries might also be produced to supplement guidelines or support the needs of the Working Group. Processes will vary.			

Note: This list only includes the types of written publications produced through GMG Projects and Working Group activities and does not include recordings of events and webinars or corporate member reports. These can be found in the [publications library](#).