

## **CC&A Attorney Derek Cole Publishes *California Surface Mining Law***

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Cota Cole & Associates attorney Derek Cole is excited to announce the release of his book, *California Surface Mining Law*. Published by [Solano Press Books](#), a well-known publisher of titles on California environmental law and land use, the book is the first and only publication to cover all aspects of surface mining regulation in California.

The book covers the State Surface Mining and Reclamation Act, known as “SMARA,” including the Act’s provisions requiring mineral conservation and reclamation of mined lands. The book also covers local regulation of surface mining by cities and counties, as well as regulation of mining’s impacts on air quality, water quality, wetlands and endangered species.

The book is intended to be used by attorneys, planners, land use and environmental consultants, and other professionals.

