MineSight® in the Foreground

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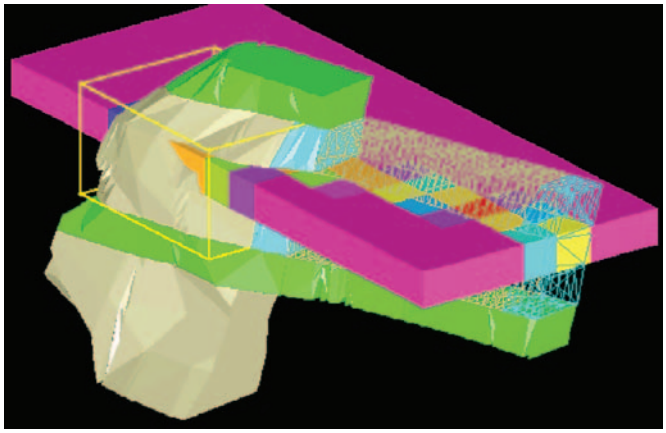
a newsletter for MineSight® users

MineSight® Interactive Planner;

Innovation designed into an interactive planning tool



One of the main tasks required of planning engineers is the calculation of short- and medium-term mine plans. The high variability and complexity of many projects makes this task repetitive and interactive, requiring a flexible and highly interactive tool. MineSight® Interactive Planner (IP) is such a tool.

MineSight® IP graphically displays all required information in 3-D. As planned mining progresses, feedback is provided in terms of data critical to the planning process including block models showing grade and rock type information displayed color coded, hatched and labeled, with constraining limits such as design pits, geological boundaries, and tonnes, volume, and grade/quality of material moved during the planning session.

Perhaps the biggest advantage offered by MineSight® IP is that information generated during a planning session is stored in a third party, ODBC compliant database. Users can access information written to this database with such standard tools as acQuire™, Microsoft® Access, or Seagate Crystal Reports™ for summary reports or to perform other calculations.

This issue includes a couple of articles highlighting setup options to help the user get the most out of MineSight® IP.

Drillholes and Downhole Surveys

We have recently modified all the MineSight® drillhole programs to let you store more than 99 survey intervals in a drillhole - the new limit is 9999 downhole surveys. There is an update on the client ftp site that has a complete suite of updated programs which includes:

M201V1	M216SM	M501SM
M501V1	M505V1	M507V1
M516V1	M516V2	CONCSA

There are no corresponding procedure changes.

Download the update from the ftp site (9999surveys.zip) and unzip it into your winexe directory. If you are planning on storing more than 99 surveys in a hole, you have to update all of the above programs on your system.