This talk will begin with a broad introduction to Dr. Walton’s research interests and then focus in on an experiment conducted at the Creighton Mine in Sudbury, Canada. The purpose of the experiment was to examine how a deep mine pillar responded to increased loading induced by the mining process and to test the limits of continuum numerical models for replicating observed behavior.

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