



## Mile Post 7 project moves forward: RAMS applauds DNR staff work, process

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*Mountain Iron, MN* -- The Range Association of Municipalities and Schools (RAMS) is pleased with the DNR approved Record of Decision for Northshore Mining's Basin Progression project. The DNR conducted rigorous review and carefully considered input received during its public comment period which resulted in a reasonable and well-supported Record of Decision. This is an important step to continue the safe and environmentally friendly operation of the Northshore Mine and the 540 jobs that are supported by its continued operation.

RAMS applauds DNR staff and agency leadership for their effort to ensure that important projects like Mile Post 7 follow a process that can lead to achievable outcomes. Communities depend on these jobs to thrive and make Minnesota a great place to call home, build local wealth, and raise a family. RAMS is proud to say that project development on the Iron Range and in northern Minnesota can and does happen alongside environmental stewardship.

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***Range Association of Municipalities and Schools (RAMS)*** The organization represents more than 90,000 residents and 69 public sector units of government, including 27 cities, 15 public school districts, and 27 townships in the 13,000 square mile Taconite Assistance Area (TAA) of northeast Minnesota. As an organization, RAMS has represented the interests of the Iron Range region for 85 years.