Temporary Use of Minelands for Trails and Recreation - Overview

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Why make trails and recreational amenities?

- Improve quality of life
- Attract talent and businesses
- At scale, could become a tourist destination
- Can assist with social license to operate
Recreational and Financial Considerations

Recreational:
- Topography and features
- Close to population, accessible
- Supporting amenities
- Who will build, maintain, operate and remove/relocate

Financial:
- Potential ROI
- Some funds cannot be used for temporary recreational investments
Issues for Owners

► Increased liability (within the recreational development)
► Increased liability / trespass (surrounding the recreational development).
► Current legal protections / insurance may not adequately cover liability of owners
► Encumbrance of future minelands
► Costs - for removal / relocation if necessary, legal costs
Possible Paths Forward/Models for Success

► State purchase of surface and personal property (e.g. Iron Range OHV Park).
► Legal protections for owners in state law.
► Cooperative relocation (e.g. Hibbing disc golf).
► Others?