LVP Minescapes Grant Program (New Name)

- Minescapes - more accurate term for the reclamation, land shaping, reuse and vegetation of minelands.
- Innovation - means something new or different introduced.
FY 17 Virginia/United Taconite Grant Award

- Two landscape berms to mitigate mine operations from Midway and 2nd Ave. neighborhoods
- Salvage wetland top soil for top-dressing the berms
- Includes replanting of trees located on to be mined area
- Document successes from nearby plantings on stockpile 1406 from 2009 LVP grant to create a blue-print of best practices
- Grant Amount: $112,250
- Total Project: $353,725
- Project Contributors: United Taconite LLC, City of Virginia, RGGS, Short Elliott Hendrickson Inc. (SEH), Prairie Restorations, Inc. (PRI), MN DNR LAM
FY 18 LVP Minescape Grant Applications - $249,500 available

1. City of Cohasset (Tioga Mt. Bike Rec. Area) - 85 points - $25,000 requested - Awarded
2. City of Chisholm (Red Head Mountain Bike Park) - 80 points - $250,000 requested (Initially funding planning and design @ $28,900) - Awarded
3. Iron Range Tourism Bureau (Bridge View Park) - 70 points - $14,500 requested
4. City of McKinley (McKinley Campground) - 59 points - $50,000 requested
LVP Strategic Action Plan for 2018-2023

- Last updated in 2011
- Working group consists of: Julie Marinucci, John Fedo, Doug Learmont, Curt Antallia, Jim Swearingen, Chris Carlson, Dan Jordan, Linda Johnson and Jim Plummer (one meeting held)
- One priority that has received recent support and discussion:
  - Re-emphasize the roots and core principles of LVP, which is how to shape minelands into productive future landscapes.
  - Implement a strategy for mine engineers to incorporate existing LVP design principles into mine plans.