





An alliance between the United Steelworkers and U.S. Steel

About the Iron Ore Alliance

- The Iron Ore Alliance is a joint initiative of the United Steelworkers and United States Steel Corporation to help educate Minnesotans about the importance of the company's iron ore business.
- U. S. Steel's Minnesota Ore Operations, consisting of Minntac and Keetac in northeastern Minnesota, is the state's largest iron ore producer. Iron ore is the key ingredient in blast furnace-based steel making.

Employment

- U. S. Steel's Minnesota Ore Operations directly employs 1,597 people.
- These are high-quality, well-paying jobs.
- Our iron ore operations also create thousands of other jobs that help our communities and other companies.
- Every U. S. Steel mining job in Minnesota creates an additional 1.8 jobs in other sectors of the economy.
- The Iron Ore Alliance is working to protect and promote U. S. Steel's iron ore operations and make it possible to create even more jobs.

Other priorities

- In addition to advocating for jobs and economic growth, the Iron Ore Alliance supports the work done by U. S. Steel and the United Steelworkers to protect the environment and invest in our Minnesota operations.
 - Our mining operations utilize state-of-the-art technology that requires specialized education and training, so we work with a number of colleges and universities to ensure that students gain the skills and knowledge required to work in our industry.
 - We have installed innovative technologies to boost water recycling and reduce discharges and emissions, making us an environmental leader in the taconite industry.
 - More than 10,000 of Keetac's 26,000 acres are enrolled in a sustainable forest management program for large private landowners in Minnesota.
 - Our wind energy partnership with Minnesota Power delivers energy from northeastern Minnesota's first commercial wind center, which is located on U. S. Steel property.
- We need state policies that will help U. S. Steel's iron ore operations grow and improve. Minnesota workers, families, communities, and the economy depend on the jobs, tax revenues, spending, and charitable giving that are generated by our iron ore mines.

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