

# Range Readiness Initiative (RRI)

*"A Coordinated Regional Response"*

Strategy Team Meeting V  
Monday, February 11, 2008 - 9:00 A.M. - Noon  
Iron Range Resources Board Room  
Eveleth, MN

## OBJECTIVE

*To organize and launch a coordinated regional strategy to prepare for and respond to the opportunities and needs associated with Range-wide large-scale development projects*

## PROPOSED AGENDA

- A. Welcome and Review of November 14<sup>th</sup> Meeting Results and Next Steps - Randy Lasky, Facilitator
- B. Agenda and Expected Outcomes for Today's Session
- C. Work Team Updates and Actions
  - Housing Team update, Mary Ives, Chair
    - Market Assessment
    - Project Expeditor
  - Workforce Development Team update, Roy Smith
    - Preliminary Regional Assets Inventory
    - Future Activities
  - Opportunities Development Team Update, Nancy Norr, Chair
  - Community Readiness Update, Barb Hayden and John Chell
    - St. Louis County next steps
    - Itasca County Readiness Update
    - Work Team organization
  - Projects Team Next Involvement?
- D. DEED - First Grant Awarded
  - Update on DEED Selection and Next Steps
  - Budget and resource commitments in 2008
  - Outcome expectations
- Break**
- E. Communication Professional Services Proposals
  - RFP Process Overview and Dual Needs Recommendation
  - Proposals Summary and Recommendation
  - Select Communications Consultant and Commit Resources
    - Discuss Next Steps to Secure Environmental Public Relations Specialist/
  - Communications Team Formation – Membership?
- F. Legislative Hearings Update on Dr. Powers Report and Regional Testimony, Mike Lalich and Peter McDermott
  - Dr. Jim Skurla Report
  - Dr. Aaron Kelso Report
- H. Review Next Steps and Responsibilities
  - Agenda items
  - Next meeting date and location
  - Other business
- I. Adjourn