

PREPARING FOR GROWTH ON THE NORTH SHORE

PROJECT ID:

306-21-00

YEAR:

1999

GRANTEE:

Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

COUNTY:

St. Louis

CATEGORY:

Coastal Land Use Planning & Development

GRANT AWARD:

\$26,023

TOTAL PROJECT COST:

\$37,282

The mission of Minnesota's Lake Superior Coastal Program is to preserve, protect, restore and enhance coastal resources for present and future generations. We provide technical and financial assistance for local communities to balance protection of coastal resources with providing residents and visitors places to work, live, and play.

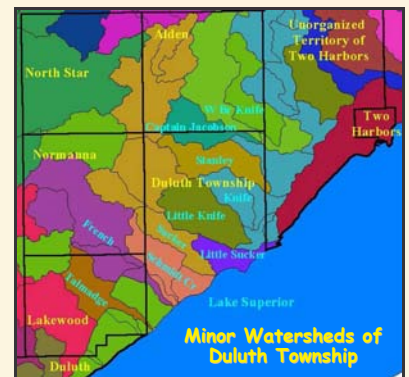
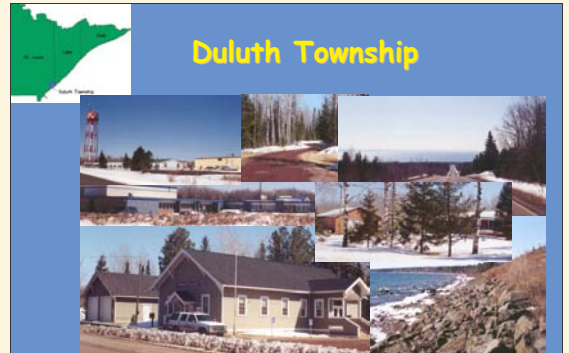


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SUMMARY

Duluth Township is primarily a low density, rural residential community located along Lake Superior. The Township participated in a pilot Nonpoint Education for Municipal Officials (NEMO) project that helps land use decision makers address the relationship between land use and natural resource protection. The NEMO project inventoried natural resources and land use in the watershed, and made estimates of current and future impervious cover.



Through a Duluth Township survey and many public meetings, four main issues were identified:

- Protecting natural resources
- Maintaining rural character
- Balance of protecting individual property rights with community needs
- Effects on property taxes

Public meetings and workshops were held to discuss a vision for the future of Duluth Township. This vision, along with the natural resources and watershed information, was incorporated into a final Comprehensive Plan for the Township.

