



## **Trump Administration renews risky mining leases next to Minnesota's Boundary Waters**

**ELY, MN**-- Statement on today's Twin Metals lease renewal announcement from Tom Landwehr, Executive Director of the Campaign to Save the Boundary Waters.

“Today’s announcement by the Bureau of Land Management is a continuation of the Trump Administration’s assault on the Boundary Waters Wilderness. The “review” completed by the Administration was wholly insufficient to determine the impact of sulfide-ore copper mining on land immediately adjacent to the Boundary Waters.

In 2016 the Forest Service concluded that sulfide-ore copper mining posed ‘an inherent risk of irreparable harm to an irreplaceable Wilderness’ and last year the Trump Administration cancelled a study that would have confirmed this. It is now more clear than ever that the Trump Administration is steamrolling the American people and allowing a foreign mining company to write the rules when it comes to America’s most popular Wilderness.”

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