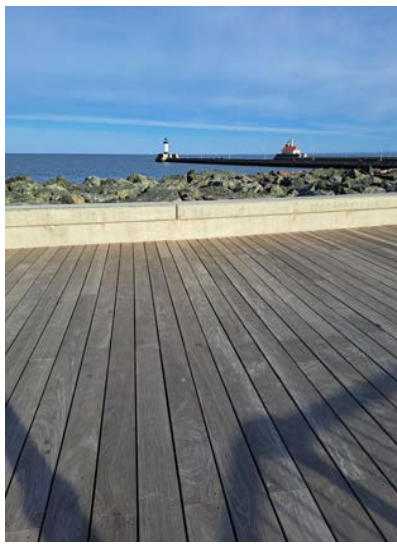


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Forest Products

## DULUTH LAKEWALK – DULUTH, MN

## PROJECT PROFILE



Originally built in 1984, The City of Duluth, Minnesota constructed a lakefront boardwalk as part of a city adjacent urban interstate highway project using Ipe 3x8 decking lumber on grade.

Damaged by storms and ice in the late 2000's, The City of Duluth redeveloped its waterfront both expanding both the width and length of its boardwalk.

Tropical hardwood decking was again selected for the new boardwalk based on its historic performance, receiving about every type of punishment and use test known, while remaining in essentially the same condition as when constructed. It retains its beautiful surface without splintering, checking or other types of wood deterioration.

The use is primarily as a pedestrian Boardwalk, yet service and emergency vehicle use occurs to a limited extent without damage to the wood.

Structural integrity and beauty is totally intact with no maintenance attention other than sweeping."

**TECHNICAL/ENVIRONMENTAL LEAD:** Brian Lotz

### DULUTH LAKEWALK - DULUTH, MN

specification: Ipe  
application: Decking  
architect: SAS+Associates  
year installed: 1984  
year reconstructed: 2010-2024