

# BOSS PLANT EXPANSION IRON MOUNTAIN, MICHIGAN



**Scope:** Gundlach Champion was selected as the General Contractor for the addition at Boss Product's Iron Mountain manufacturing facility when they needed expanded manufacturing space, storage, and shipping area. An initial challenge to this project was constructing an addition directly against an operational facility, with employees working and producing goods. It was important for GCI to work with Boss Products and their operations and safety staff to implement the proper barricades and safety measures to protect areas where GCI was working adjacent to the existing structure or having to make tie-ins. Through weekly progress meetings and constant communication, GCI was able to complete its work with as few disruptions as possible to Boss's daily operations.

The plant addition is a 44,176 square foot pre-engineered metal building with a standing seam metal roof and insulated metal wall panels. GCI's subcontractor completed the large floor pour in two sections, starting early in the morning to take advantage of the cool late summer mornings and having the day to finish the floors. An important design element in the new addition was improved LED lighting. Since occupying the space, the owner has noted the marked difference in the amount of light they have gained with new lighting fixtures compared to older style lights in the rest of their facility. This was a unique opportunity for GCI as our main offices is located just around the corner from this project, allowing the project team to respond immediately to any of the owner's needs in person. The success of this project helped foster a relationship that has led to additional projects with Boss.

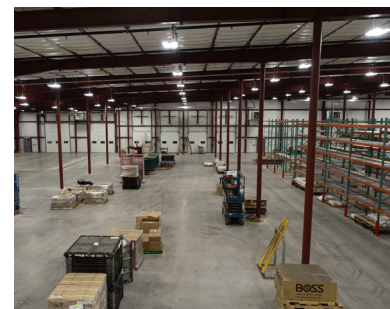
**Owner:** Boss Products, a division of the Toro Company

**Architect:** Performa, Inc.

**Project Location:** Iron Mountain, MI

**Project Cost:** \$3.56 million

**Project Completed:** March 2021



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