

Accessible parcels
recommended for sale to
other
Government entities
(County, Tribe, and Municipality)
including restrictions

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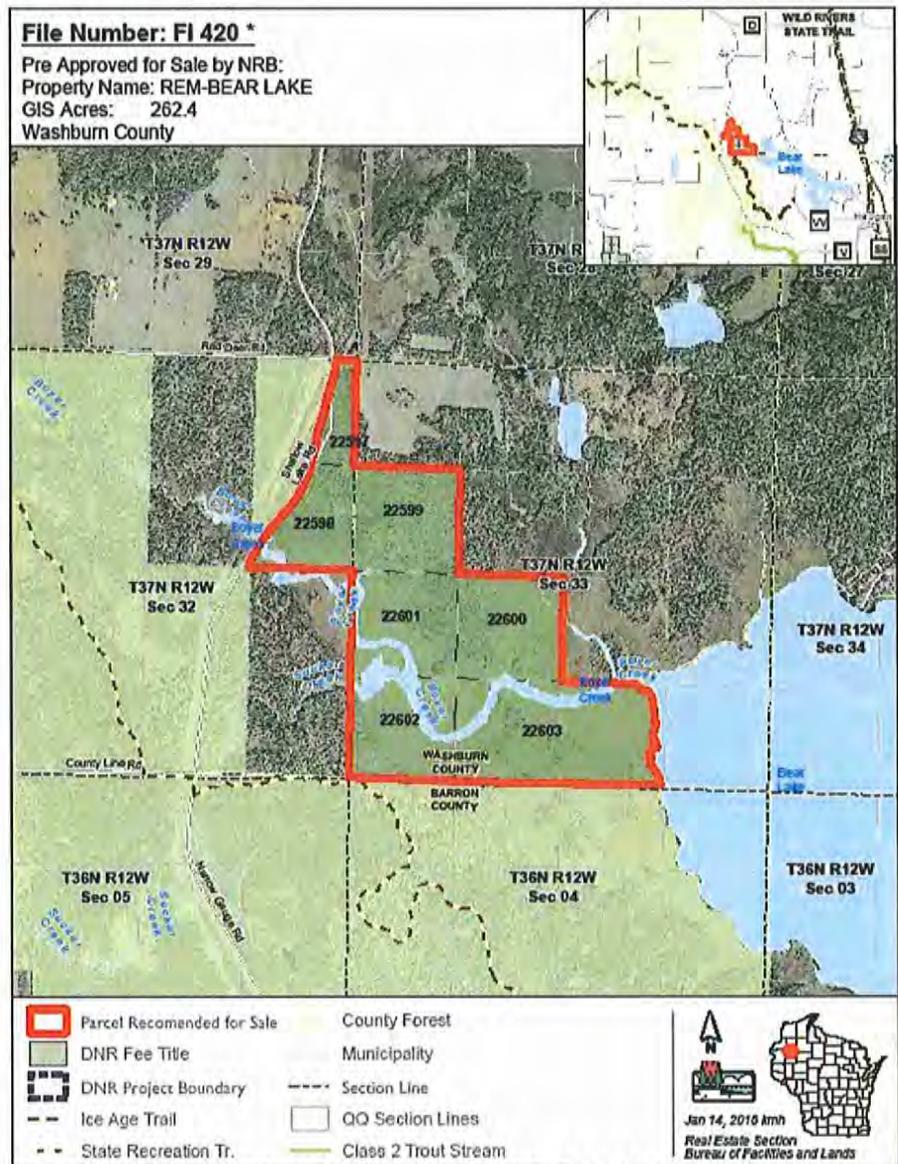
File# FI 420 – Washburn County - 262.4 acres

The Department acquired this parcel for \$1,400 in 1964. The property has approximately 5,182 feet of two-bank frontage on Boyer Creek and approximately 1,323 feet of frontage on Bear Lake. The property provides spawning habitat for Northern Pike for Bear Lake and a Sucker migration route to upstream tributaries. The Bear Lake Sedge Meadow is a site that supports habitat for declining grassland birds; in addition, the habitat just outside of the site also supports rare grassland and marsh birds.

The property has an existing parking lot on the West side of the property off Shallow Lake Road. Other improvements include a portion of the Ice Age Trail that crosses the property in the Southwest corner, and a trail from the parking lot that is used by the public for hiking, hunting, fishing and bird watching.

There is currently an active timber sale on the property.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer this land for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats., and the land be only offered to Washburn County, subject to an easement for the Ice Age Trail, as well as a deed restriction requiring the land be open to the general public for all five NBOA's in perpetuity.



File# FI 308 – Rusk County - 116.5 acres

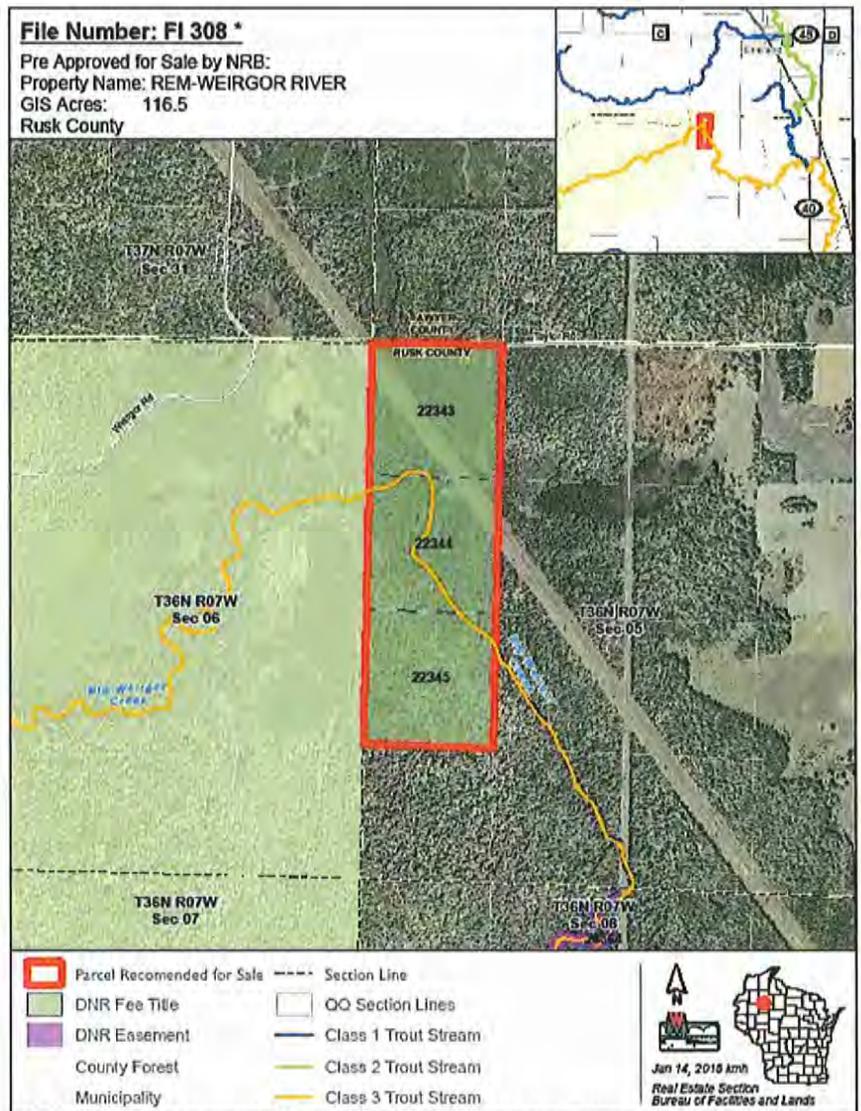
The Department acquired this parcel for \$3,100 in 1962. Forestry staff had been preparing for a pending timber sale on this property; however, this work was suspended as this parcel is under review for possible sale. The Department has also made investments in electrofishing in Big Weirgor Creek in this area to characterize gamefish populations in a stream currently designated as a Class 3 trout water.

The property has approximately 2,650 feet of two-bank frontage along Big Weirgor River, a class three trout stream. In the Northern Rivers Initiative, Big Weirgor Creek ranked 6th among Rusk County streams and in the top 10% of 1494 stream segments in 20 northern counties. These were rated by federal, state, and county resource managers by 26 quantitative and subjective variables that described the streams' cultural, recreational, and natural resource values.

Estimates of fishing pressure on Big Weirgor Creek in 1984 were 14 angler-hours (5 trips), based on information voluntarily recorded in angling diaries, and 107 angler-hours (51 trips) projected from an opening weekend creel survey. Contemporary polls have documented substantial declines in trout angling participation.

Rusk County Forestry Department currently owns and manages a large tract bordering the west boundary of this parcel for timber production and recreation. With those shared conservation objectives, Rusk County is an ideal candidate to purchase and manage this property for timber production and outdoor recreation to ensure the property continues to provide timber for regional markets and is used by the public.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer this land for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats., and the land be only offered to Rusk County, subject to a stream bank easement that grants management rights to the Department and a deed restriction requiring the land remain open to the general public for all five NBOA's in perpetuity.



File# FI 456 – Dane County - 10.7 acres

The Department acquired this parcel for \$4,000 in 1942. The property was originally acquired for a fish holding pond.

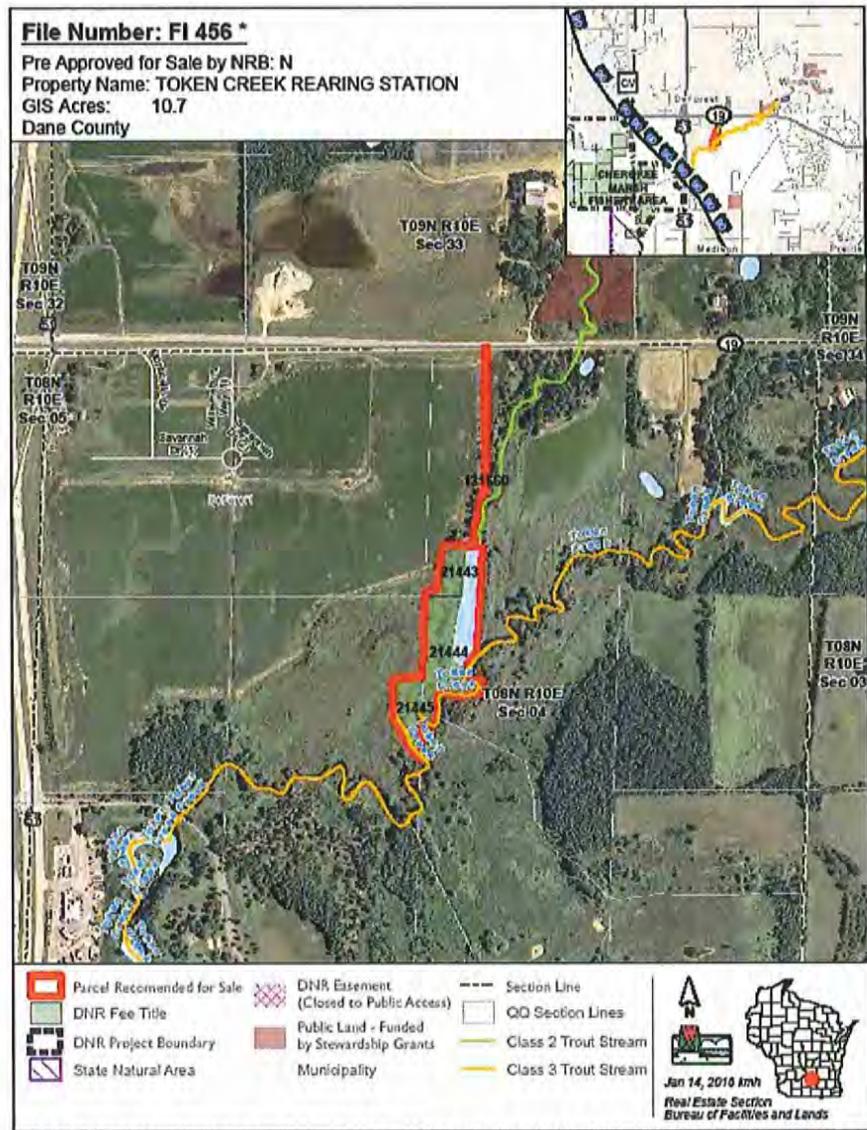
The property has an unnamed pond approximately 2.25 acres in size. It also has approximately 935 feet of one bank frontage and approximately 200 feet of two bank frontage on Token Creek, a class three trout stream. The property has two threatened species; henslow's sparrow and white lady's-slipper are noted, along with the endangered blanchard's cricket frog.

There is a plan for a stream realignment project on this property. The tributary stream currently runs through the pond and then into Token Creek. Re-meandering the creek and removing the pond from the stream will have benefits to the temperature of Token Creek and allow spawning trout access to the tributary stream.

The Department and Dane County have been working with the adjacent landowner to acquire an easement for Fishing Access and to allow for stream habitat restoration/enhancement.

There is access to the property from Hwy 19, but the access road is in need of repair, there are deep ruts and standing water.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer this land for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats., and the land be only offered to Dane County, subject to a deed restriction requiring the land be open to the general public for all five NBOA's in perpetuity.



File# NF 30050 – Jackson County - 36.6 acres

The Department acquired this parcel as a part of a larger acquisition for the Black River State Forest in 2010. This parcel is outside the Black River State Forest project boundary.

The property has approximately 1,102 feet of two-bank frontage on an unnamed stream and the primary cover type is red pine plantation. It falls within the Karner Blue Butterfly Recovery High Potential Range. The property is accessible by the public from Starlight Road on the southern portion of the property and also provides access to adjoining Department lands to the north. If offered for sale, the Department should retain public access rights across the property. The Department has only made minimal investments in the property associated with managing timber, including a thinning every 15 years.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer this land for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats., and the land be only offered to Jackson County, subject to an access easement across the property to Department lands to the north for both public and Department access for management and timber harvest purposes, as well as a deed restriction requiring the land be open to all five NBOA's in perpetuity.



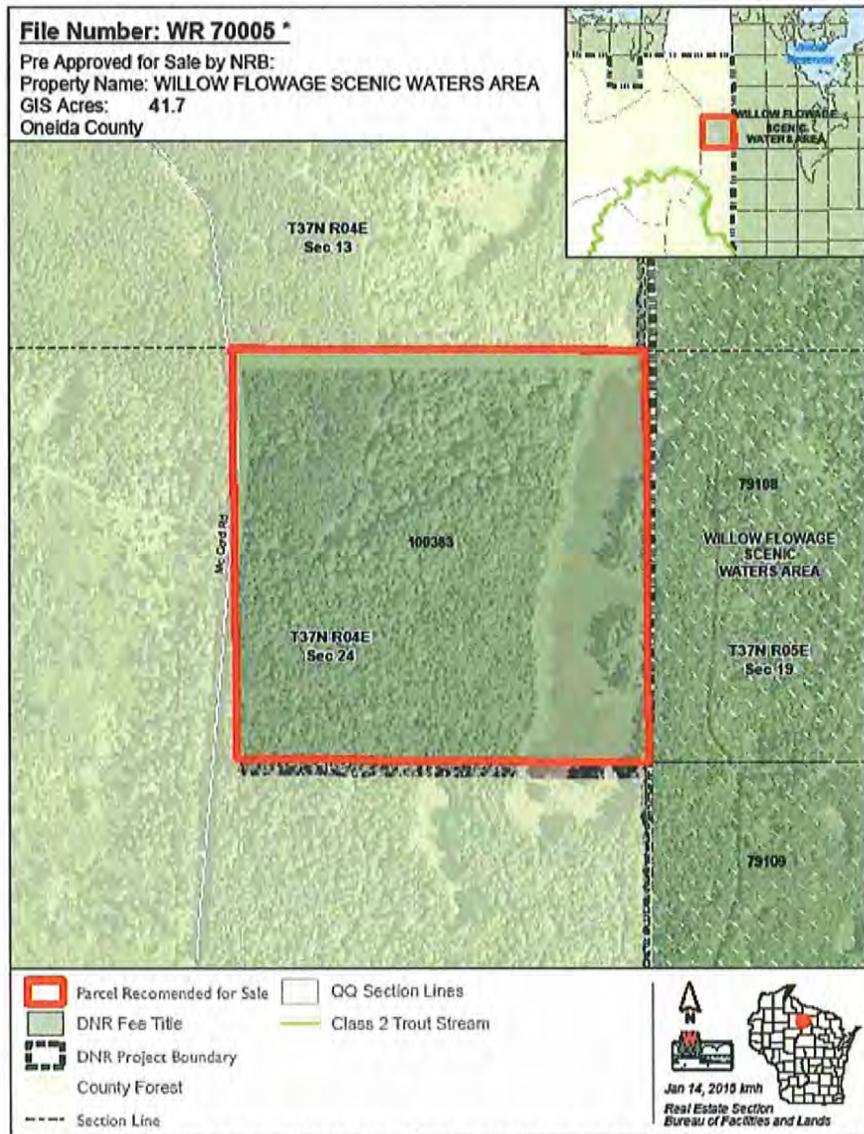
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File# WR 70005 - Oneida County - 41.7 acres

The Department acquired this property in 2008 as a part of a larger acquisition from the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands. This portion of that acquisition is outside the project boundary of the Willow Flowage Scenic Waters Area.

There is a high quality stand of red and white pine, as well as some potential for mid-grade northern hardwood management on the property. This property provides for public hunting and access to the Willow Flowage Scenic Waters Area from a town road. By disposing of this parcel, adequate access to the Flowage is still provided from other locations. The Department has not invested in infrastructure or habitat improvements to this property. Due to its adjacency to county forest lands it is recommended that this parcel be offered for sale to Oneida County.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer this land for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats., and the land be only offered to Oneida County, subject to a deed restriction requiring the land remain open to the general public for all five NBOA's in perpetuity.



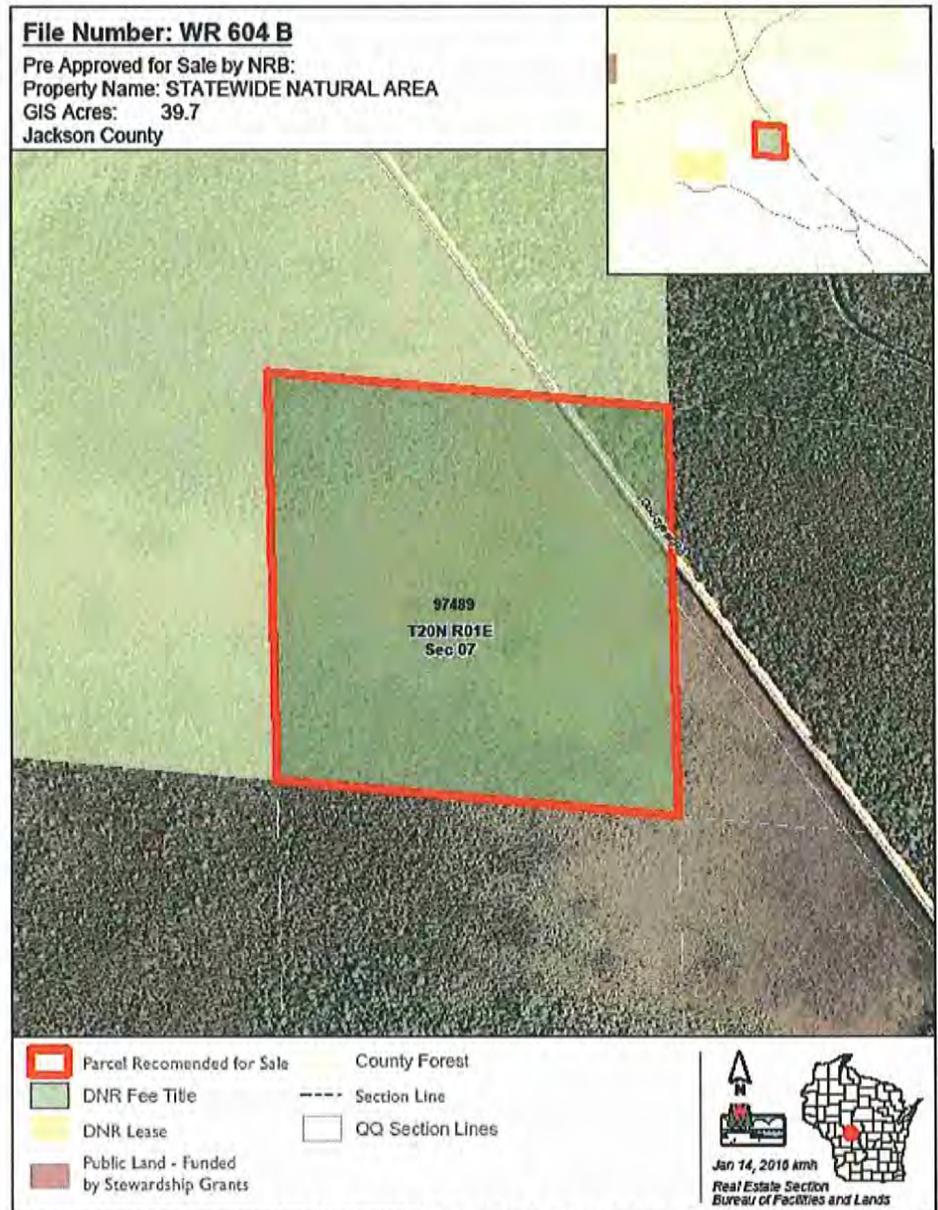
File# WR 604 B – Jackson County - 39.7 acres

The Department purchased this property in 2006 for \$32,000. This property was part of a larger acquisition from the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands for the Turtle Flambeau Scenic Waters, Lower Wolf River Bottomlands, Woodboro Lakes Wildlife Area and Bear Bluff Statewide Natural Area, a Land Legacy place of highest level of conservation significance.

The property is accessed by the public and the Department through a local sand roadway. The Department has not made investments in infrastructure or habitat improvements, but has conducted annual inspections of the property. Due to the quality and diversity of natural resources in the area and the historical recreational use of this land and surrounding county land, the land should continue in public ownership.

The adjoining County lands are designated in the County plan as Natural Area.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer this land for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats., and the land be only offered to Jackson County, subject to a deed restriction requiring the land remain open to the general public for all five NBOA's in perpetuity.

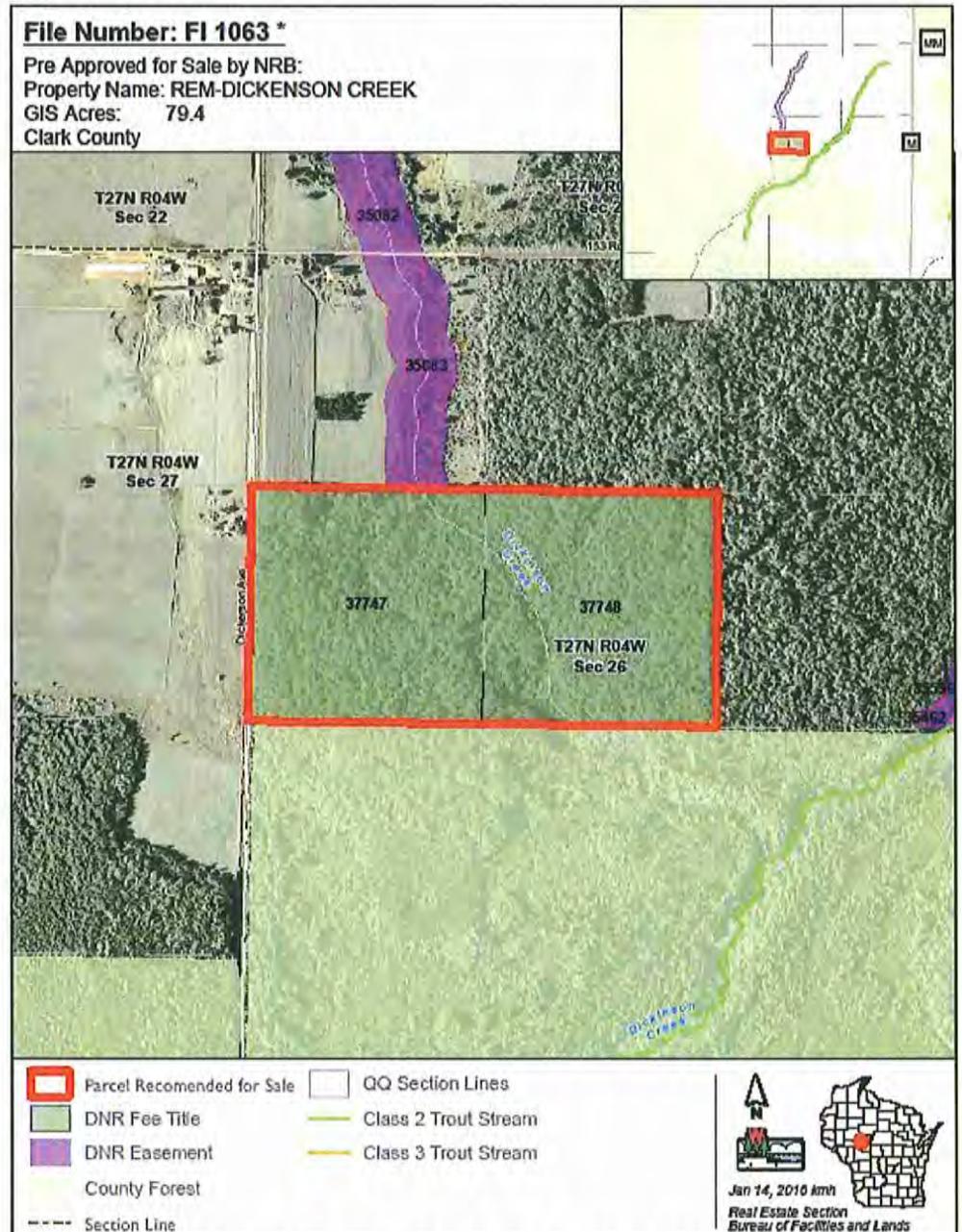


File# FI 1063 – Clark County - 79.4 acres

The Department purchased this property in 1973 for \$6,500. The property has approximately 3,210 feet of two-bank frontage on Dickenson Creek. At the time of purchase, the stream contained native brook trout. The creek is designated as a class two trout stream.

The Department has not made significant investments in infrastructure or habitat improvements to the property; however, it has been posted and is inspected periodically. A timber sale occurred on the property in fall 2015. Due to the adjacent County forestland, the Department recommends marketing to the County. The County Forester has indicated interest in acquisition of this property.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer this land for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats., and the land be only offered to Clark County, subject to deed restrictions requiring the land be open to the general public for all five NBOA's in perpetuity and the Department be granted a stream bank easement along the stream corridor.



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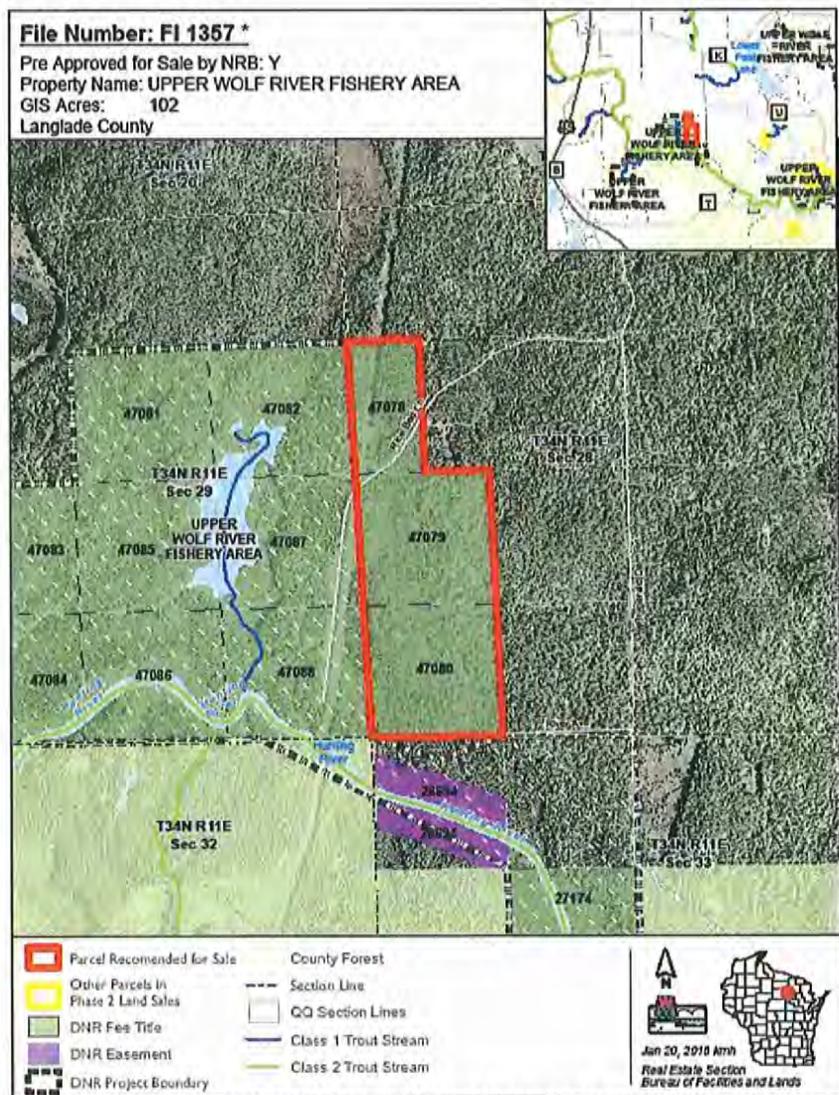
File# FI 1357 – Langlade County - 102 acres

The Department purchased this property in 1978 as part of a larger acquisition for the Upper Wolf River Fishery Area. At the time of acquisition the Natural Resources Board directed that the eastern 120 acres was not needed for conservation purposes and should be sold or exchanged for needed lands. The property is relatively flat on the western side and increases in elevation in the east. The property is mostly wooded and generates a significant source of funding from timber sales.

The property is accessible through a town road and is adjacent to the Upper Wolf River Fishery Area. Public use of the property includes hunting, hiking and sightseeing. There are a few access trails and parking areas on the property.

The Department has invested SFR funds for maintenance, property inspections, property boundary posting, litter cleanup and LE patrol on the property.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer this land for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats., and the land be only offered to Langlade County, subject to a deed restriction requiring the land be open to the general public for all five NBOA's in perpetuity and granting legal access to the Department lands adjoining the property both for Department management purposes and for the general public.



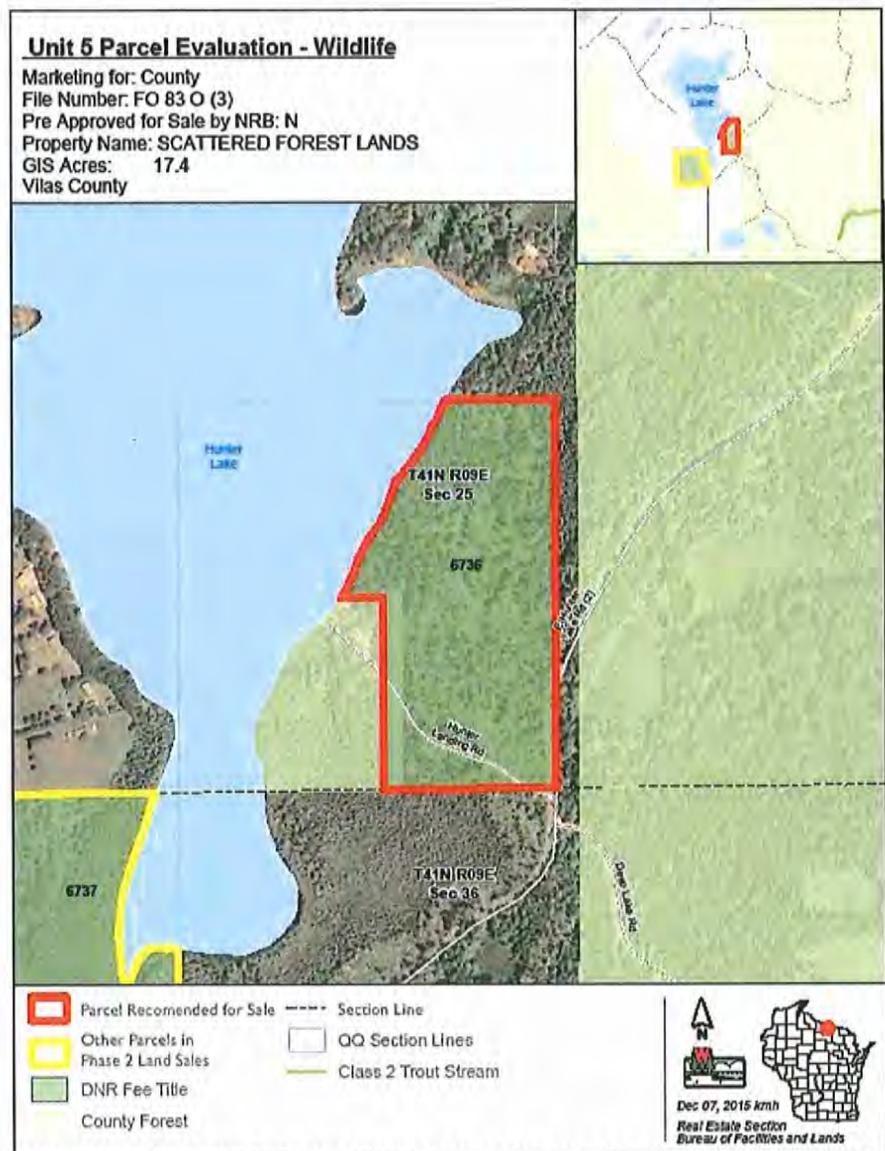
File#- FO 83 O (3) — Vilas County 17.4 acres

The Department acquired this as a part of a larger acquisition in 1911. The property has approximately 745 feet of frontage on Hunter Lake. In 2005, there was an aspen harvest on the property, leaving nice pine trees remaining, especially along the shoreline. Results of this harvest are that the forest health has been improved with the sale in 2005 and the stand is more of a mixed habitat rather than aspen or pine.

The public can access the property through East Hunter Lake Road and Hunter Landing Road. This property is adjacent to Vilas County land, which has its own boat landing and small park and parking area. The substrate of the Lake frontage of the property is sandy, so people regularly swim and fish along this property. There is a snowmobile and ATV/UTV route along E Hunter Lake Road, intersecting the Eastern portion of this property. There is very little investment in infrastructure or habitat improvements on the property.

The Department has had contact from the County with interest in expanding their parking for the County's boat landing and beach area. They are also considering expansion of Hunter Lake Park in the future. This parcel was added to the list of properties to be reviewed because of an inquiry by the County.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer this land for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats., and the land be only offered to Vilas County subject to a deed restriction requiring the land be open to the general public for all five NBOA's in perpetuity.



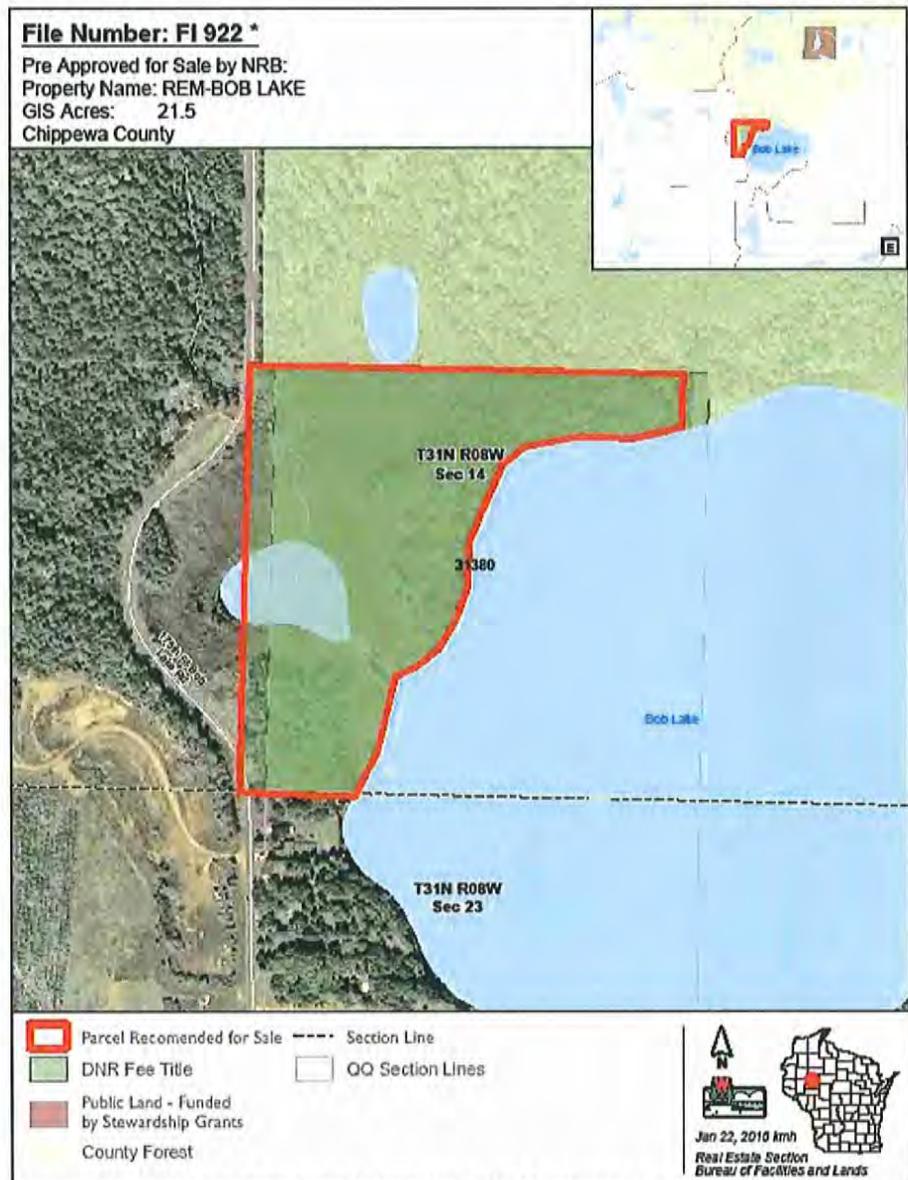
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File# FI 922 - Chippewa County - 39.9 acres

The Department received this tax delinquent property in 1971 for \$15,000. The property was originally acquired to preserve a Northern Pike spawning marsh. Public use was a secondary benefit given its close proximity to Chippewa Falls and Eau Claire. The property has approximately 1800 feet of frontage on Bob Lake and approximately 615 feet of frontage on Little Bob Lake. Torrey's Bulrush has been found on Bob Lake, which is a species of special concern. The parcel is likely used for hunting trapping, wildlife viewing, access to the lake and shore fishing opportunities.

Currently there is a two track road leading from 175th St. to a small (two cars) parking area. There is also a gate on the northwest portion of the property that keeps vehicles off the snowmobile trail that crosses approximately 80 feet of the property. Investments are made on a yearly basis removing downed trees from the road at an approximate cost of \$100 per year.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer this land for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats., and the land be only offered to Chippewa County, subject to deed restrictions requiring that the land remain open to all five NBOA's in perpetuity and a snowmobile trail be permitted to cross the property.



File# WR 500 C (3) - Iron County - 400.1 acres

The Department acquired this property as a part of a larger acquisition in 1999. At the time of approval, the Natural Resources Board directed the Department to enter into discussions regarding resale or exchange of up to 7,000 acres of land to County or Tribal governments.

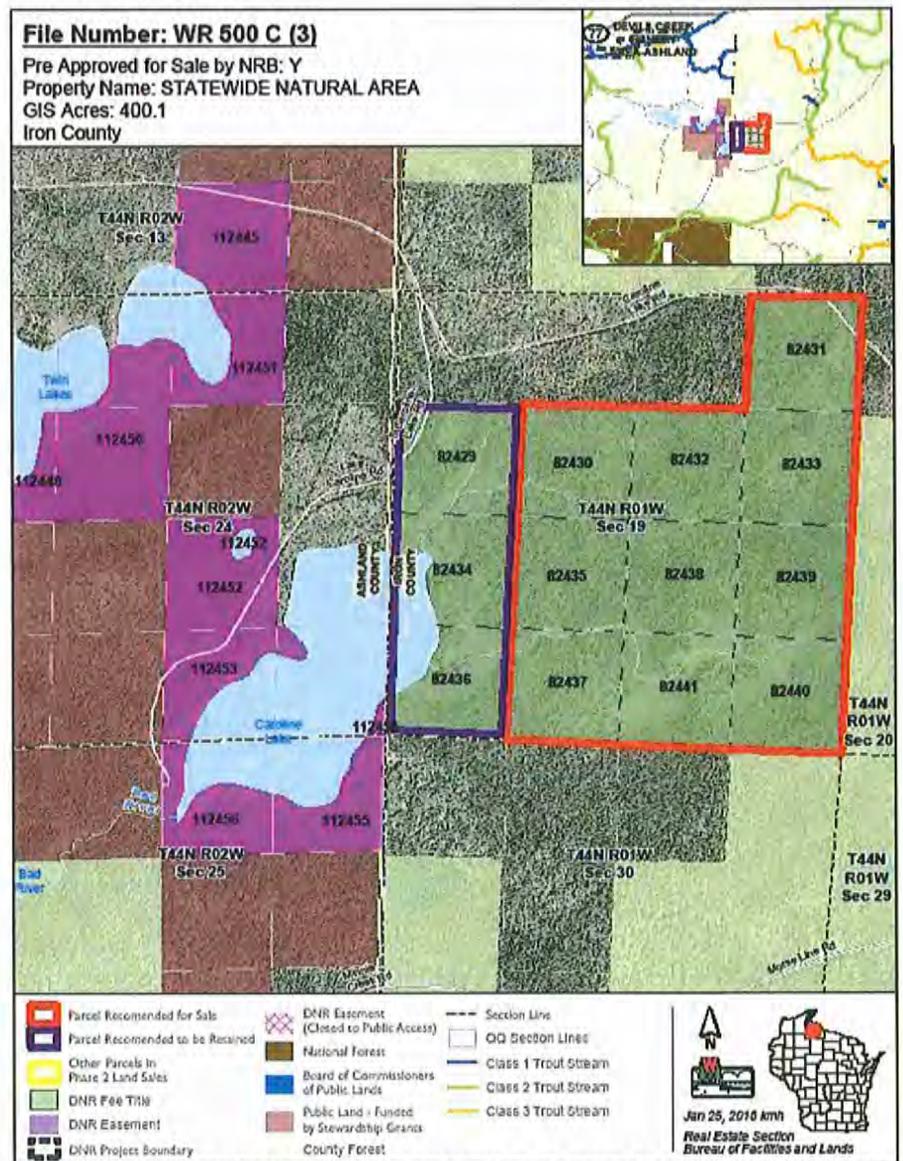
The property has approximately 2,488 feet of frontage on Caroline Lake and is comprised of both uplands and wetlands. Caroline Lake was identified in 2007 as a wild lake and was given a score of 20 points, which is the highest level possible using the wild lakes criteria.

The property is accessible through Caroline Lake Road. The Department holds easements around the lake and the Nature Conservancy owns property around the lake that was funded through a Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Grant.

The Department has invested staff time developing management plans for the property resulting in an Interim Forest Management Plan. Because of this work, a timber sale was established on the property in 2013 and is currently under contract to be cut. Additional timber sales have been discussed by Department staff, but none are in the establishment phase.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer a portion of this property only to Iron County (400.1 acres) for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats., subject to a deed restrictions prohibiting development of the property and that the land be open to the public for all five NBOA's in perpetuity. There will also be a requirement that the management of the property follow the Department's Interim Forest Management Plan.

The Department also recommends retaining a portion of this property (130.7 acres) to maintain state ownership adjacent to Caroline Lake, a wild lake.



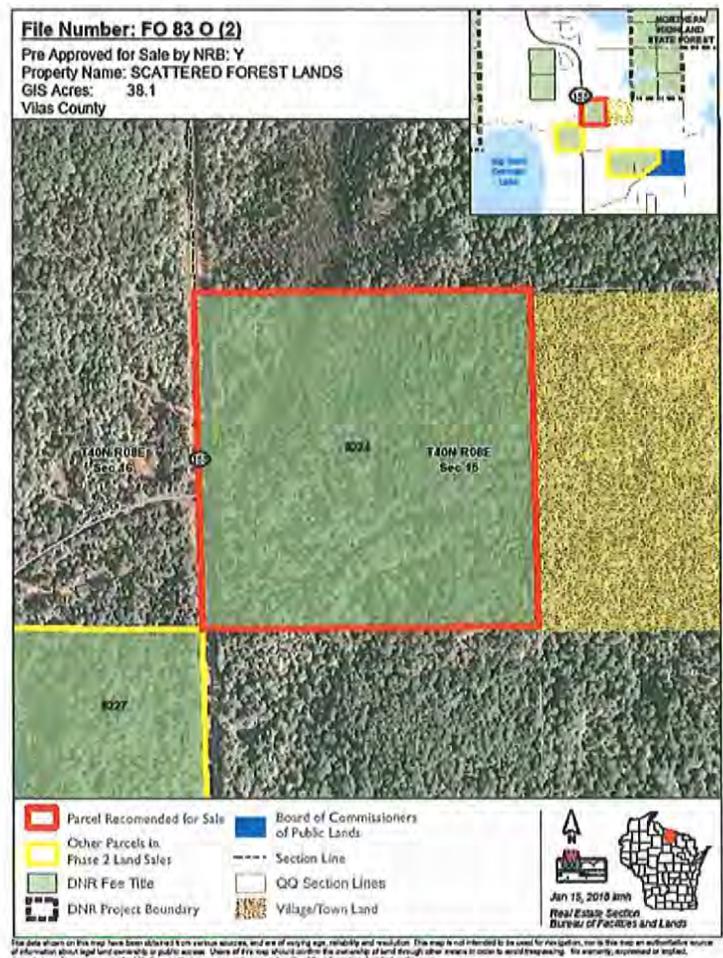
File# FO 83 O (2) — Vilas County - 38.1 acres

The Department acquired this property in 1911 from the G F Sanborn Company. This parcel is part of the Northern Highlands exclusion zones. The NHAL Master Plan, approved in 2005, included acquisition exclusion areas in and around the Towns of Manitowish Waters, Boulder Junction, Sayner, St. Germain and Lake Tomahawk. These exclusion areas were originally removed from the Northern Highland and American Legion State Forest Administrative boundaries in 1975 by NRB action. The 1982 and 2005 NHAL Master Plans recognized this action and the continued interests of the local Towns for these areas to remain as exclusion areas and not be included in the NHAL project boundary. The intent of the 1975 action, and the two subsequent master plan actions, was to adjust the project boundary and remove lands from the NHAL project boundary, as well as the State Forest designation. The rationale for all three actions was to allow the Department the ability to divest the lands by trade or sale, for more appropriate forested lands within the NHAL and allowing the Towns to direct local growth and development in and around their communities.

This parcel is developed with a gravel parking lot and the Fern Ridge Trail. This property currently has a land use agreement with the Town. The agreement allows for the maintenance of this silent sport trail. There is a snowmobile route that runs east-west along the southern part of the property. The Northern Hardwood stand on this property provides habitat for forest interior bird and animal species. A thinning harvest on the property was completed in December 2005, after working with the public to address concerns raised about possible impacts to the trail. Forest health has improved with this timber sale.

The property is accessible from HWY 155 and is adjacent to town owned lands. Due to the high public recreational use, proximity of other town land and the existing land use agreement, it is recommended that the property only be offered to the Town or County.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer this land for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats., and the land be only offered to the Town or County subject to a deed restriction requiring the land be open to the general public for all five NBOA's in perpetuity and requiring that a snowmobile trail be permitted to cross the property.



File# NA 611 & NA 611 E - Florence County - 249.8 acres

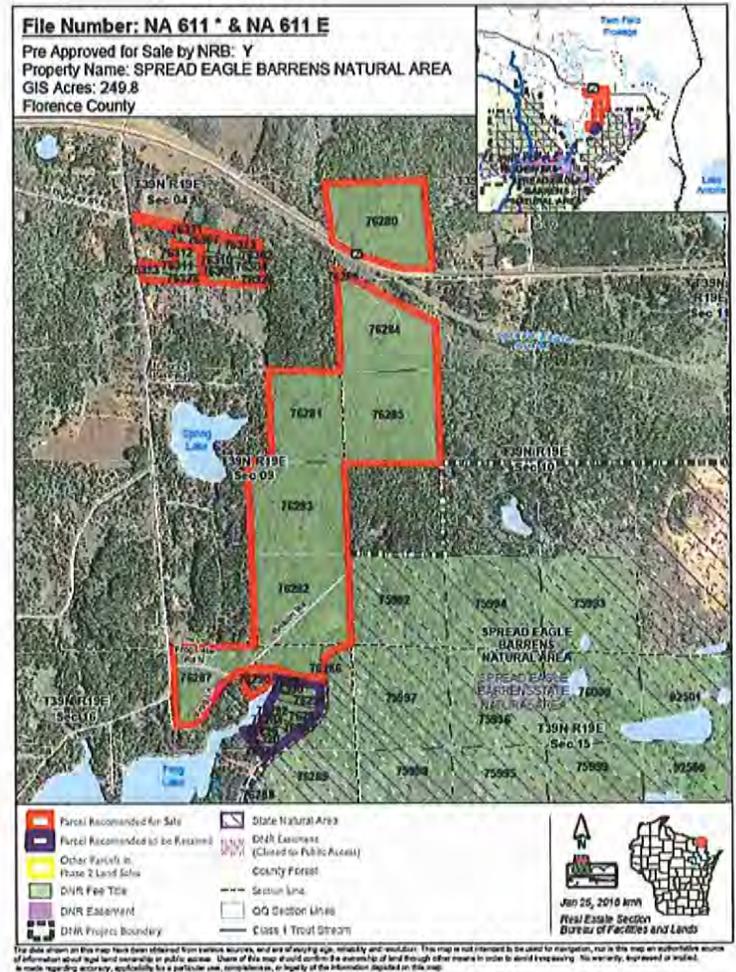
The Department was gifted this property in 1996. The donor requested that the proceeds for any lands sold were to be used to purchase land for the Spread Eagle Barrens Natural Area project. At the time of donation the Natural Resources Board approved accepting the donation, but only 83 acres were within the project boundary and the remaining 258.22 acres outside the boundary were to be analyzed for retention or exchange for other natural area lands within the project or sold.

The property has approximately 3,200 feet of two bank frontage on Spread Eagle Outlet, and approximately 1,280 feet of shoreline on Frog Lake. There are 7-8 parcels located east of Frog Lake and west of North Frog Lake Road that are identified in the Natural Heritage Inventory as a quality Northern Dry-Mesic Forest community. It was documented during inventory as disturbed old growth red and white pine forest with trees up to 30 inches in diameter at breast height. This community type is also identified in the Wisconsin Wildlife Action Plan and has a state rank of S3 (rare or uncommon in Wisconsin) and a global rank of G4 (globally secure but rare in parts of range).

The Department has made investments in habitat improvements, specifically staff time for timber management. The portion of the property north of Bodelin Road is under timber sale contract, to be harvested by March 2017. The property north of Hwy 2 has been marked for timber sale but has not yet gone out for bid. The Department will work with Florence County to determine the timing for any future land sales based on existing timber sale contracts.

There may be title and ownership issues to resolve as well.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer approximately 250 acres of this property only to Florence County under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Stats. The Department also recommends retaining a portion of this property (13 acres) due to rare habitat and adjacency to the larger State Natural Area and to include this parcel within the Spread Eagle Barrens State Natural Area project boundary. Proceeds from the sale will be used for land purchases within the Spread Eagle Barrens State Natural Area consist with the agreement at the time of the donation.



File# P 1850 - Polk County - 197.8 acres

The Department acquired this property for \$280,000 in 2005. At the time of acquisition, the Natural Resources Board did not direct the sale or exchange of this parcel, but directed that if sold/exchanged, rights be retained for the Ice Age Trail intersecting the property.

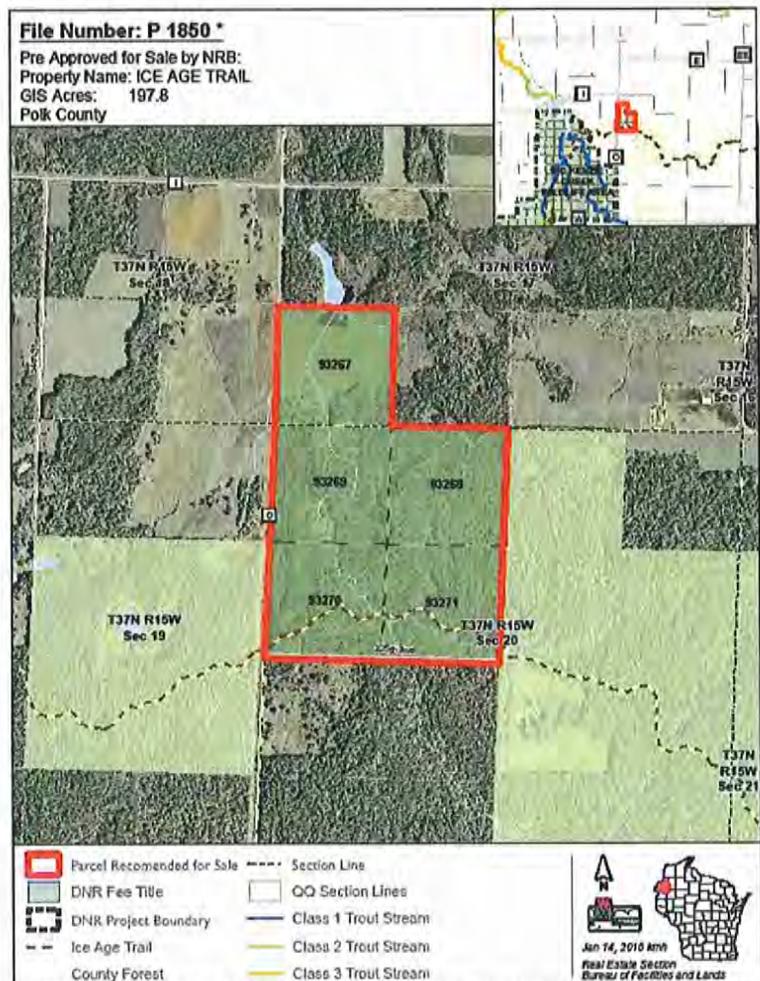
The property has approximately 4,000 feet of two bank frontage on an unnamed seasonal flowing stream. There is a pine plantation marked for sale under the Statewide Pine Plantation Interim Forestry Management Plan on this property.

The Ice Age Trail intersects the property, providing an important connector to other sections of this trail located on adjacent County forest lands. Other than the Ice Age Trail, no improvements have been made, minimal investments to semi-annually inspect the property have occurred.

The parcel is accessible from CTH O and is adjacent to County forest lands. The subject has high recreational value beyond the benefits of the Ice Age Trail. This is a sizeable piece of property with high aesthetic value. Public use and benefits will continue to be realized with a County acquisition. Should Polk County be unable to acquire the parcel, privatized sale would be a significant loss to the public.

Polk County has communicated an interest in the property. The County has talked about a land swap with this property for land within the Governor Knowles State Forest. This would meet two priorities, one being to vacate land not within a project boundary and the second, to obtain property within project boundary.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer this land for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats., and the land be only offered to Polk County, subject to all necessary deed restrictions to ensure a continuous corridor for the Ice Age Trail and that the land is open to the general public for all five NBOA's in perpetuity.



File# FI 2600 - Rusk County – 59.9 acres

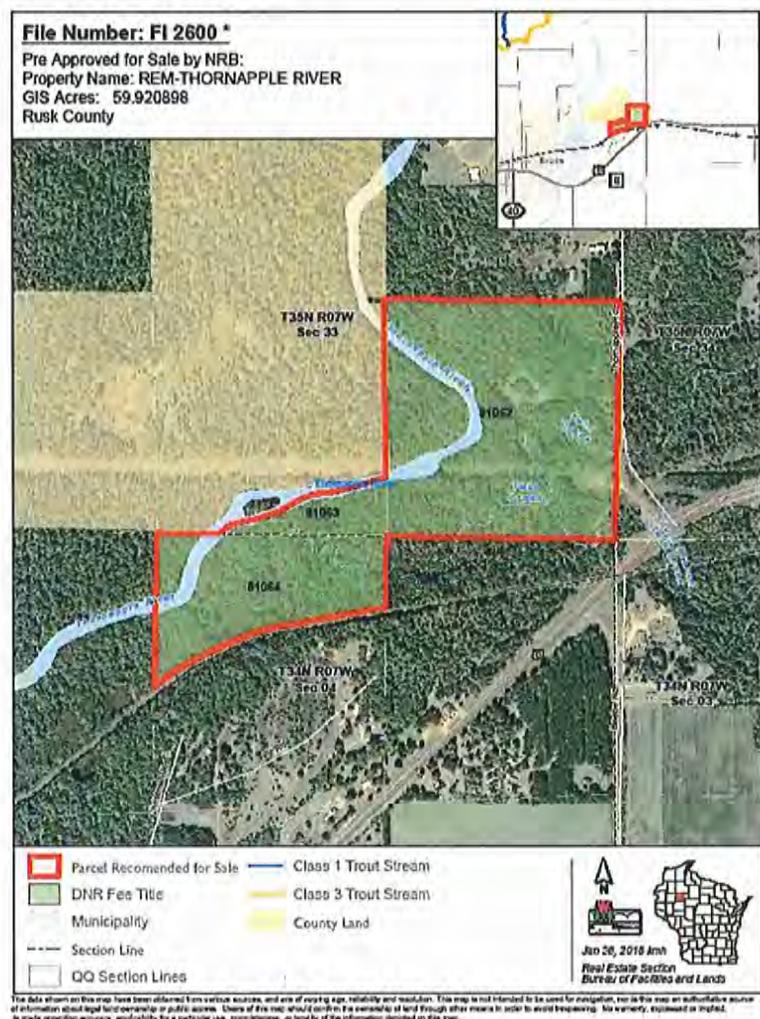
The Department acquired this property for \$46,500 in 1998. It was purchased from Rusk County to preserve sturgeon spawning grounds.

The property has approximately 1,640 feet of frontage along the Thornapple River. The stream attracts 300-500 adult Lake Sturgeon for spawning each spring. The spawning event is popular with the public with several hundred people gathering each year to observe the sturgeon. The Rusk County conservation warden uses the area as an outdoor classroom for school groups and others. This education focuses on teaching children and adults about fish reproduction, habitat value, resource & water quality protection, and overall aesthetic value of nature & its resources.

The north half of the parcel is park-like in appearance with excellent quality stream frontage. The property is predominated with a mix of oak, birch and pine woods and contains over a half mile of frontage on the Thornapple River, a popular sturgeon spawning refuge. There may also be a snowmobile trail on the property. There is an interim Forestry Management plan for the property and may be timber of value that could be harvested prior to sale.

An approximate 0.6 acre area located in the SE corner of Section 33 is used as a trash and recycling drop-off station by the Town of Thornapple. This recycling area was established and in use at time DNR acquired the property from Rusk County. A land use agreement authorizes this property use to the Town of Thornapple until May 2017, with said land use agreement providing for renewal under same terms.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer this land for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats., and the land be only offered to Rusk County or the Town of Thornapple. The deed conveying the property will be subject to a deed restriction requiring that the land be open to all 5 NBOA's, that the town recycling facility can remain on the site, any snowmobile trails located on the property may remain, and no commercial or residential development occur on the property.



File# FM 10159 - Langlade County – 21.8 acres

The Department acquired this property for \$90,000 in 2012. There are spring ponds located to the north of the highway adjacent to this parcel. The Department has made investments to a parking area, as well as improving drainage across boat access site. Future investment plans include, hydraulically dredging Blue Springs starting in spring 2016. The portion of the property south of CTH T will be used as a disposal site for hydraulically dredged material from Blue Springs. It is essential, if sold to retain the right to dispose materials on the southern portion of the property. There is a current agreement with the Highway Department to allow for piping and culvert to be placed under the highway to be used when the spring pond is dredged.

The parcel is accessible from CTH T, and the public use is high for hunting, fishing, trapping, sightseeing and hiking.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer this land for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats., and the land be only offered to Langlade County. The deed conveying the property will be subject to a deed restriction requiring that the land be open to all 5 NBOA's, and an agreement to allow the Department to deposit dredge materials on this property.



