Accessible parcels recommended for sale to the general public

Parent File FI 609/Sale File NF 30178– Vilas County 4.39 Acres

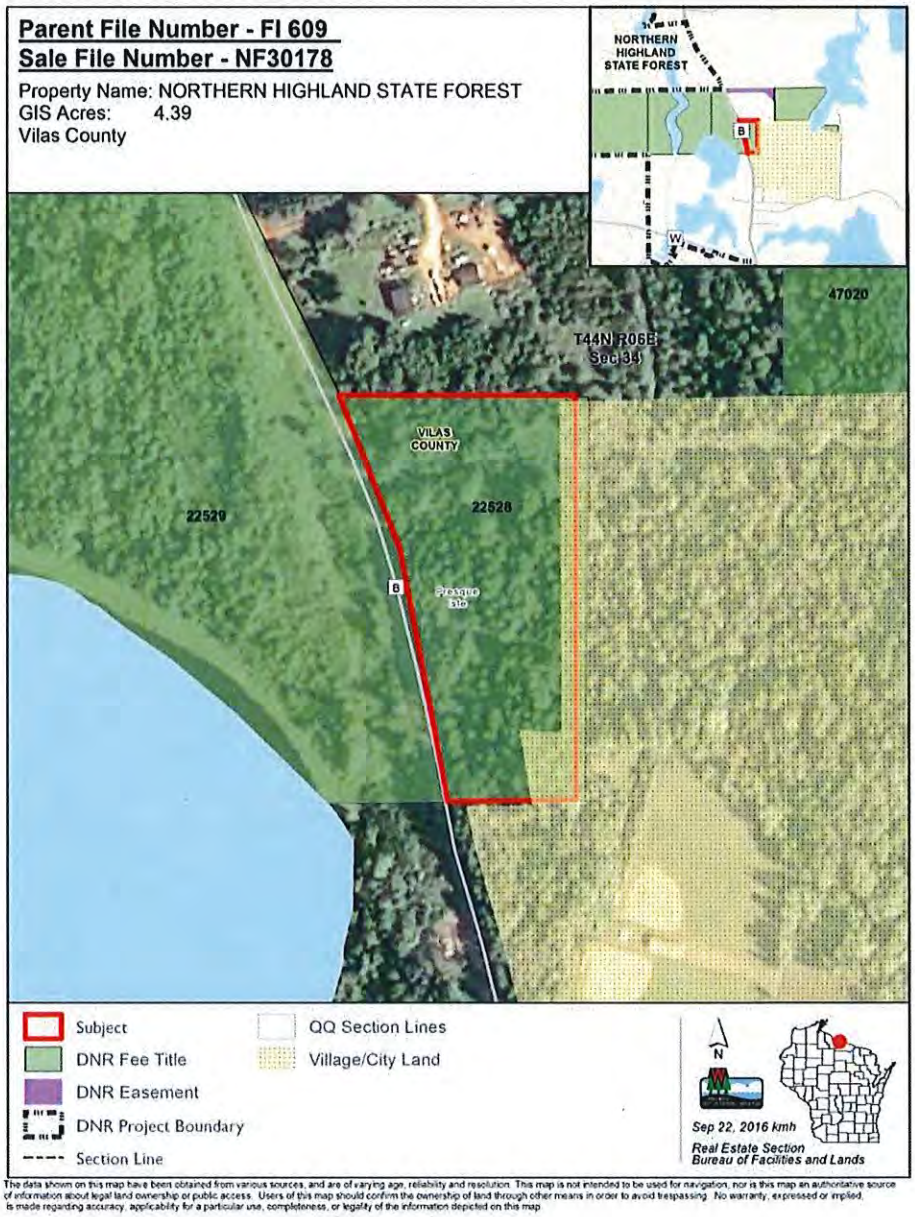
The Department acquired this parcel for $300 in 1967. The parcel is part of the Northern Highland State Forest and is located in the Town of Presque Isle in Vilas County.

The parcel is accessible via Highway B on the west and bounded by town owned parcels on the east. A timber harvest has been scheduled for 2016, but the Department has not made significant investments in infrastructure or habitat on the parcel.

A snowmobile trail exists on a forest road that runs east to west across the middle of this parcel and an overhead power line goes through the northern portion of the parcel.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer this land for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats., and that the land be offered to the Town of Presque Isle first, since there are overlapping ownerships in the southeast portion of the parcel and since the adjacent landowner is the Town. Sale to the Town would be subject to a deed restriction requiring the land to be open to the general public for all five NBOA's in perpetuity, as well as being subject to a snowmobile easement for the existing snowmobile trail across the property.

The Department recommends that the land be offered secondly to the general public, subject to a snowmobile easement for the existing snowmobile trail across the property. Sale will occur after the timber sale is completed.



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File FI 883/FM 10410 - Dane County 1.47 Acres

The Department acquired this parcel for $10,000 in 1970. It is a Statewide Small Lake Creation parcel and is located in the Town of Dunkirk in Dane County. Since purchase of this parcel, the original plan to develop this as a part of the Small Lake Creation project did not take place. The parcel is now used as a basic recreational property and is not actively managed. There are currently negotiations taking place for a snowmobile trail to intersect the property.

The Department has invested in a parking area on the parcel, but has not made other significant investments in infrastructure or habitat improvements. The parcel is accessible to the public through Taylor Lane.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer this land for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats., subject to an easement for a snowmobile trail.

File FI 884/FM 10409 - Dane County 57.04 Acres

The Department acquired this parcel for $26,000 in 1970. It is a Statewide Small Lake Creation parcel and is located in the Town of Dunkirk in Dane County. Since the purchase the original plans have not been developed and the parcel is now used as a basic recreational property. The Department has no plans to further develop public lands around the current parcel.

The Department is currently in negotiations with a local snowmobile club to allow the trail to pass through the property on the western border. The Department has developed a parking area off of Taylor Lane that is maintained annually. The parcel is accessible to the public through Taylor Lane.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer this land for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats., subject to an easement for the snowmobile trail.

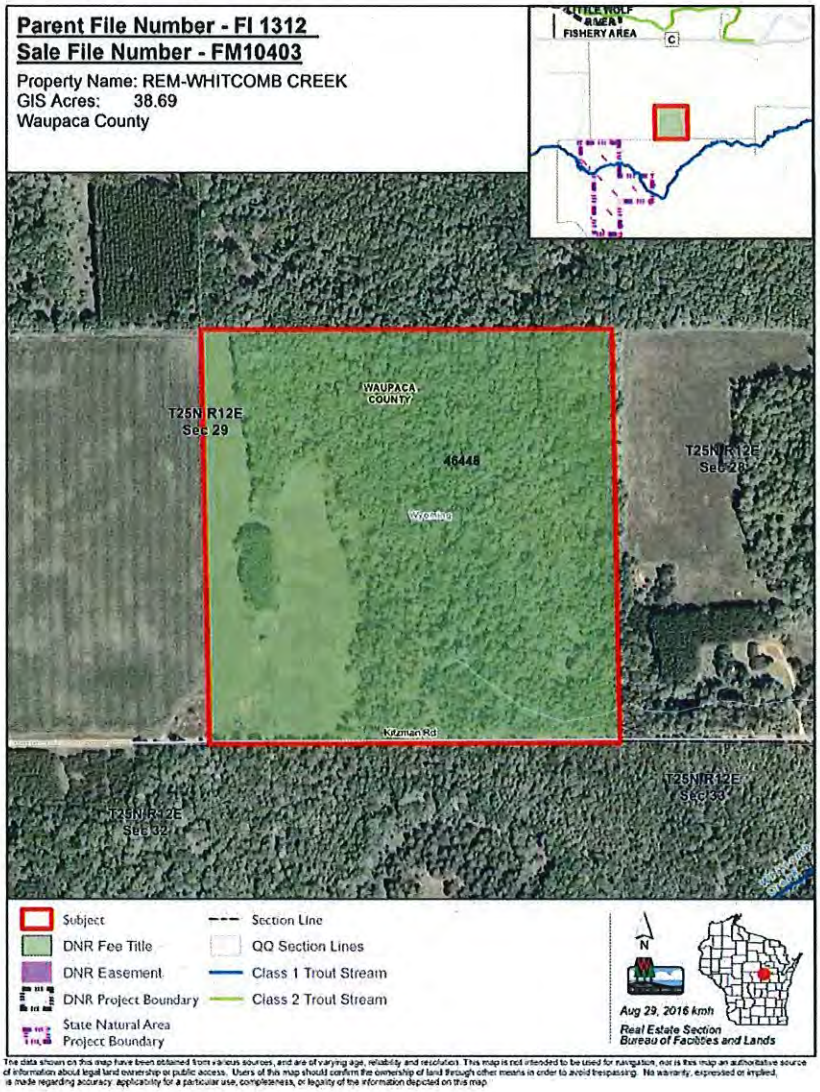
Parent File FI 1312/Sale File FM 10403–Waupaca County 38.69 Acres

The Department acquired this parcel for $15,000 in 1977 from. It is a part of the REM-Whitcomb Creek project and is located in the Town of Wyoming in Waupaca County.

The parcel has approximately 1655 feet of two bank frontage on an unnamed tributary of Whitcomb Creek, a class one trout stream. Improvements on the parcel include a four stall parking area on the property. This area is maintained and has recently been renovated. Other investments on the parcel include staff time in timber harvests and management.

This parcel receives public use, especially for hunting and trapping. The parcel is accessible to the public through Kitzman Road.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer this land for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats., with the provision that the Department retain a streambank easement with road access from the buyer as part of the sale agreement.



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Parent File FI 1755/Sale File FM 10393– Adams County 2.79 Acres

The Department acquired this parcel in 1984 for $6,000. It is a part of the REM-Risk Creek and is located in the Town of Easton in Adams County. It has approximately 990 feet of two-bank frontage on Risk Creek, a class two trout stream. The parcel is comprised of lowland woodland, wetland and brush.

The Department has not made substantial investments in infrastructure or habitat improvements on the parcel. Minor investments including property posting have occurred on the parcel.

The parcel is accessible to the public through Elk Avenue and public use of the parcel appears to be for trapping.

Since the creek flowing through this parcel is high quality, class two trout stream that is good spawning habitat for brook trout, a streambank easement is recommended to be retained for this property to maintain the quality of the fishery and provide public access to the stream for fishing.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer this land for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats., subject to a requirement that the buyer retain a streambank easement to the Department at the time of sale.

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File FO 42/WM 60468 - Vilas County 19.59 Acres

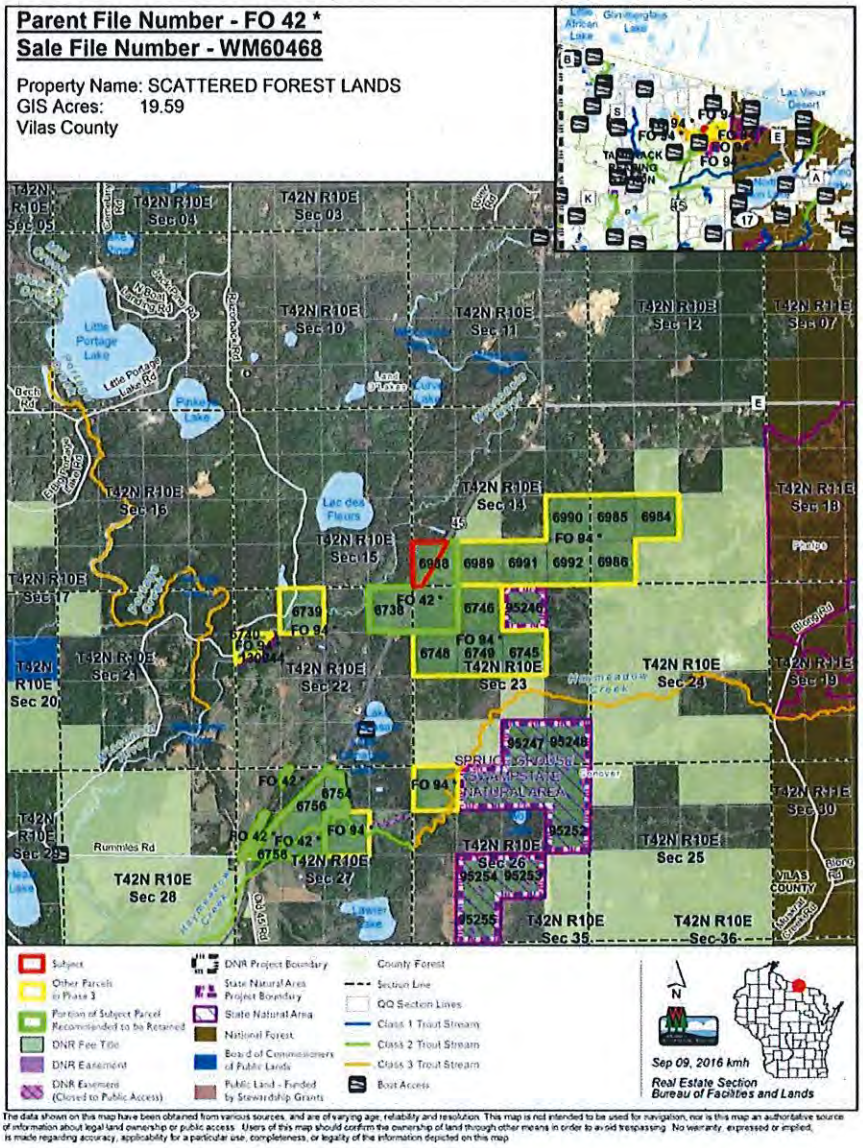
The Department acquired this parcel as a part of an exchange in 1936. It is a Scattered Forest Lands parcel and is located in the Town of Conover in Vilas County.

The Department is recommending to offer for sale a portion of this property on the west side of HWY 45. The portion being recommended to be retained has logging roads, grass parking areas and pullouts for public use. Public use is primarily hiking/foot traffic or winter access, as the property is lowland. The retained parcels provide public access into the Spruce Grouse Swamp State Natural Area, the Wisconsin River, as well as access to Haymeadow Creek, a Class two and three trout stream. The parcel contains approximately 2,844 feet of two bank frontage on Haymeadow Creek and is within a Conservation Opportunity Area within the Wildlife Action Plan.

Public uses of the parcel are deer and turkey hunting and for running hounds for both bear and bobcat. There have been public comments indicating a desire for this larger parcel to remain in public ownership.

The Department has made investments in logging roads, parking areas and hand planted Jack Pine in 1997. The parcel is accessible to the public through HWY 45.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer a portion of this land (19.59 Acres) for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats.



Parent File FO 83 O (6)/Sale File WM 60485– Vilas County 33.11 Acres

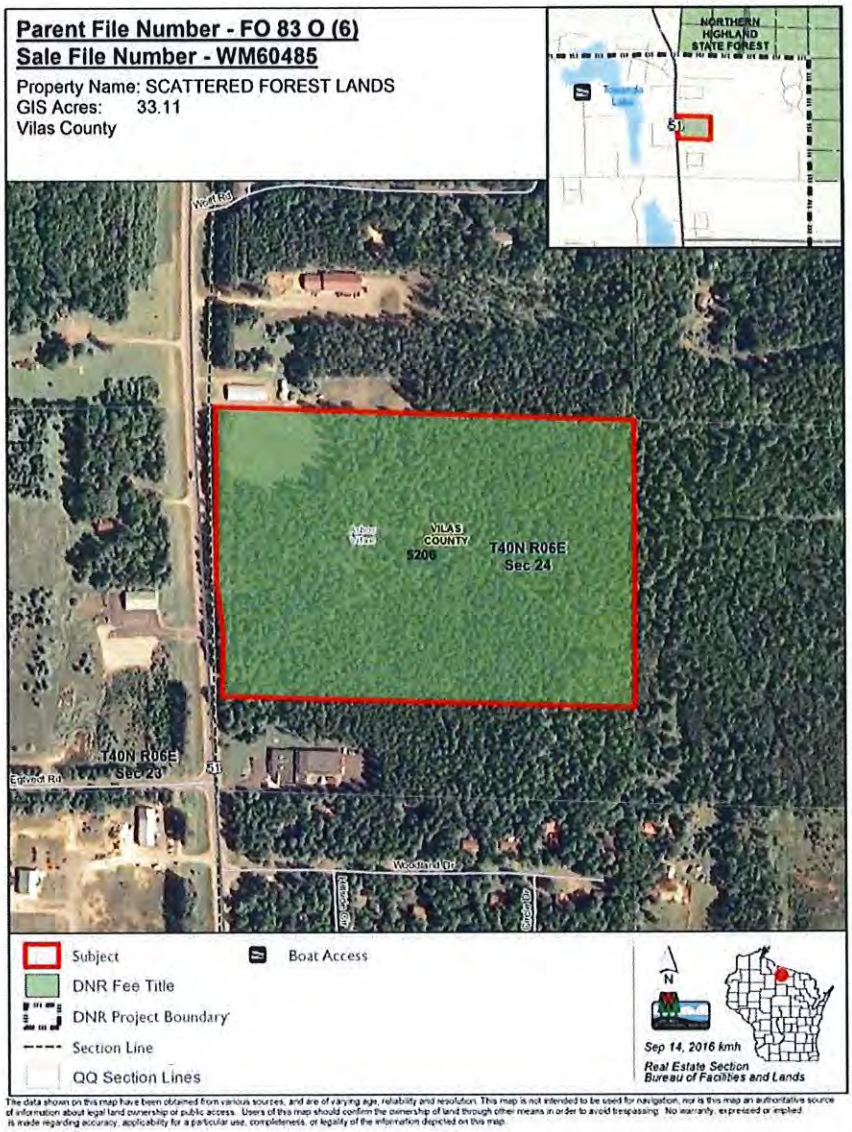
The Department acquired this parcel as a part of a larger property for $3,173.04 in 1911. It is a Scattered Forest Lands parcel and is located in the Town of Arbor Vitae in Vilas County.

This parcel is a part of the Northern Highlands American Legion State Forest (NHAL) exclusion zones. The NHAL Master Plan, approved by Natural Resources Board (NRB) action 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.

The Department has made investments in timber management on the property, including harvesting and replanting of pine.

The public can access the parcel through Hwy 51. There is a forest trail that provides walking access into the interior of the parcel. The parcel is used by the public for hunting, trapping and other recreation.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer this land for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats.



Parent File FO 83 O (7)/Sale File WM 60462–Vilas County 10.03 Acres

The Department acquired this parcel as a part of a larger transaction for $3,173.04 in 1911.

This parcel is a part of the Northern Highlands American Legion State Forest (NHAL) exclusion zones. The NHAL Master Plan, approved by Natural Resources Board (NRB) action 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 comprised of pine plantation, a 76 year old Red Pine plantation and a 3 year old Jack Pine plantation. The original Jack pine stand was cut in 2012 and planted in 2013.

The Department has not made substantial investments in infrastructure on the property; timber management has occurred.

Public use on the property includes use of the logging roads to access the larger NHAL property. As well as use of an existing snowmobile trail that intersects the property. The parcel is accessible to the public through Senior Drive, which dead ends at the property. The Town of Boulder Junction has expressed interest in acquiring this parcel.

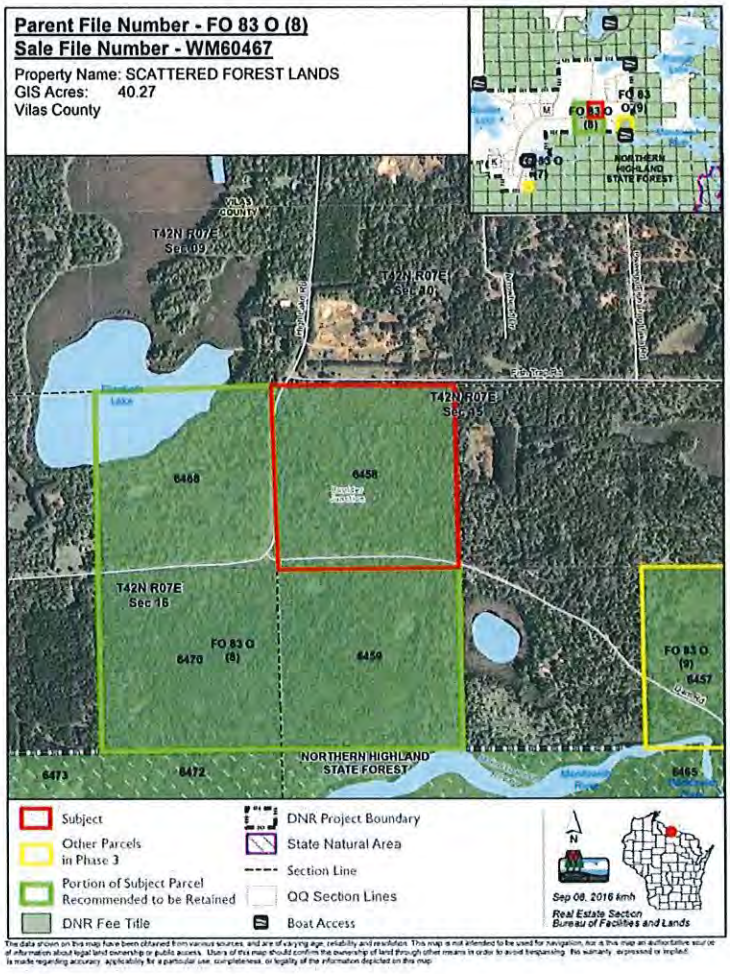
The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer this land for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats., to be offered first to the Town of Boulder Junction and secondly to the general public, subject to an easement for the Department's management access to the NHSF and for an existing snowmobile trail.

Parent File FO 83 O (8)/Sale File WM 60467–Vilas County 40.27 Acres

The Department acquired this parcel as a part of a larger transaction for $3,173.04 in 1911.

This parcel is a part of the Northern Highlands American Legion State Forest (NHAL) exclusion zones. The NHAL Master Plan, approved by Natural Resources Board (NRB) action 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.

The Department is recommending that a portion of this property be offered for sale. The portion to be retained would maintain public access to Elizabeth Lake, provide a public access point into the larger NHAL property from a town road and maintain a buffer for the Manitowish River. Parcels to the west and east (outside the NHAL project boundary) have been sold as a part of previous phases of the land sales program.



The Department has not made substantial investments in infrastructure on the property.

Public use of the property being recommended to be retained includes Snowmobile Trail 15, which intersects the parcel along a town road. The public can access the parcel through High Lake and Dam Roads.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer a portion of this land for sale (40.27 Acres) under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats.

Parent File FO 83 O (9)/Sale File WM 60484– Vilas County 34.86 Acres

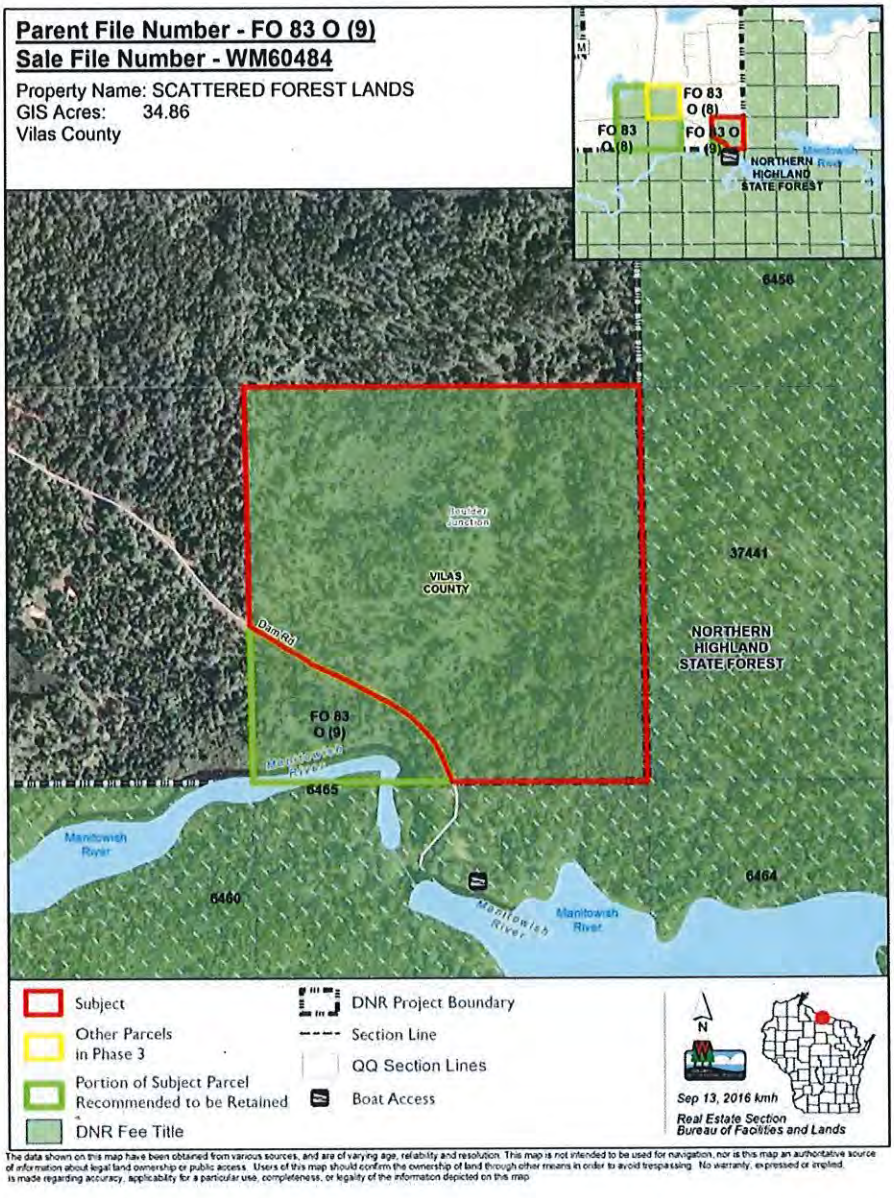
The Department acquired this parcel as a part of a larger transaction for $3,173.04 in 1911. It is a Scattered Forest Lands parcel and is located in the Town of Presque Isle in Vilas County.

This parcel is a part of the Northern Highlands American Legion State Forest (NHAL) exclusion zones. The NHAL Master Plan, approved by Natural Resources Board (NRB) action 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.

The Department is recommending to offer for sale a portion of this parcel. The portion to be retained is to provide public access to and a buffer for the Manitowish River. The portion recommended to be offered is composed of productive aspen and pine, a grassy opening and a two acre wetland marsh.

The Department has not made significant investments in infrastructure or habitat improvements on the parcel. The parcel is accessible to the public through Dam Road.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer a portion of this land (34.86 Acres) for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats., subject to an easement for a snowmobile trail that intersects the property.



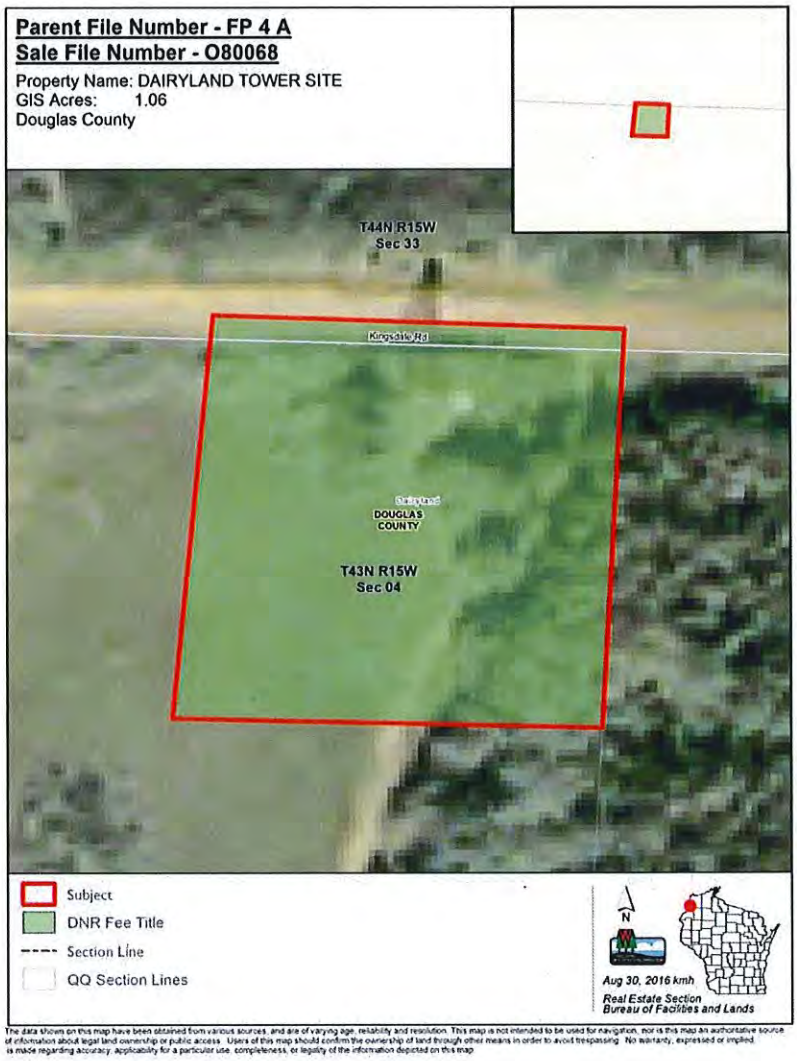
Parent File FP 4 A/Sale File O 80068–Douglas County 1.06 Acres

The Department acquired this parcel for $25 in 1937. This parcel, the Dairyland Tower Site, is located in the Town of Dairyland in Douglas County. The Division of Forestry has decommissioned all its fire towers and is looking to dispose of the fire towers and the small Department owned properties where the towers sat.

Improvements on this parcel include a decommissioned fire tower and a dilapidated outhouse. There is a driveway off Kingsdale Road that leads to the south side of the tower.

There are possible encroachments of a fence line and no trespassing signs have been posted near the driveway on the Department's parcel.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer this land for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats., to be marketed with the tower on the parcel. If not sold in first marketing effort, a separate sale of the tower and land would be considered.



Parent File G 1448/Sale File WM 60492–Jefferson County 61.18 Acres

The Department acquired this parcel for $2,300 in 1962. The parcel is part of the Extensive Wildlife Habitat project and is located in the Town of Farmington in Jefferson County.

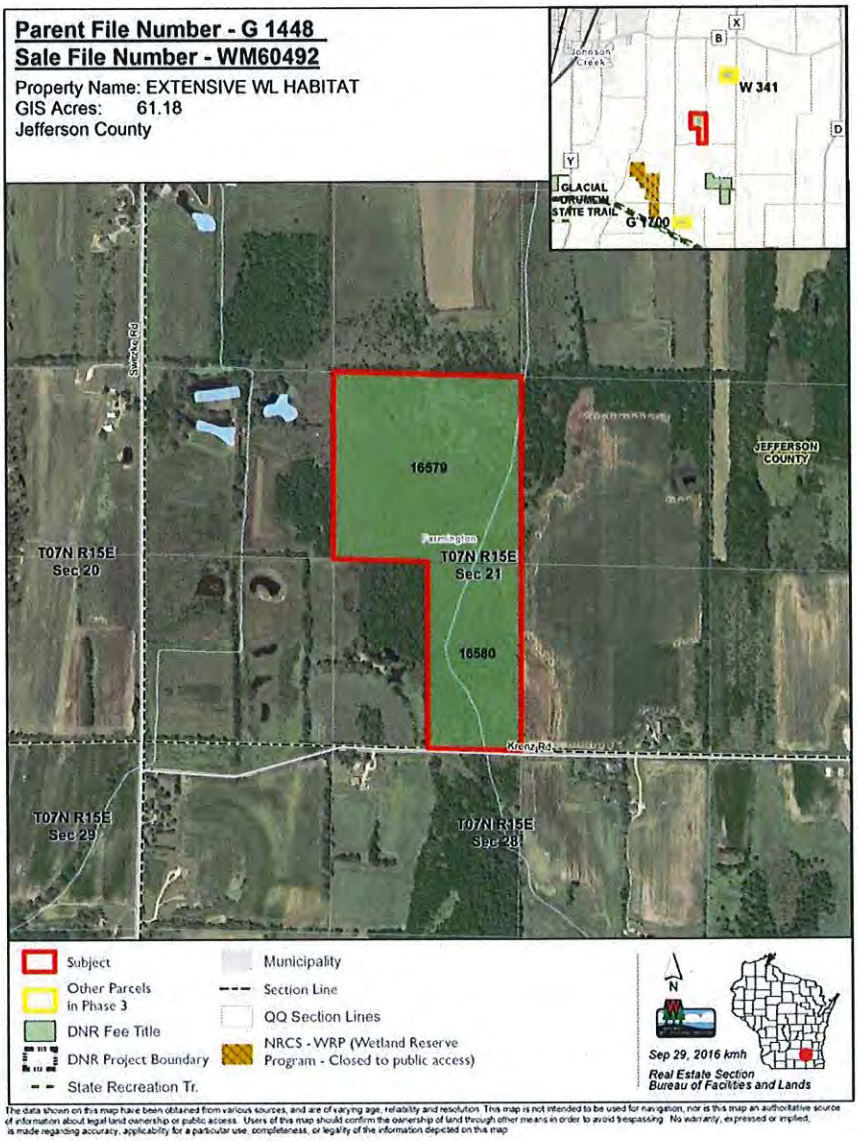
There is an unnamed stream running through the property providing approximately 2670 feet of two bank frontage. The property is a lowland forest with good ash understory mixed with buckthorn.

The public can access the parcel through Krentz Road. There is moderate public use on the property for hunting.

The Natural Heritage Inventory (NHI) shows Slippershell Mussel and Blanding Turtle on the property.

The Department has not made significant investments in infrastructure or habitat improvements on the property. A timber sale is scheduled 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 that the land be offered subject to the timber contract.



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Parent File G 1645/Sale File WM 60421– Dodge County 37.06 Acres

The Department acquired this parcel for $1,561.20 in 1963. It is a part of the Extensive Wildlife Habitat Statewide project and is located in the Town of Hubbard in Dodge County. Two unnamed streams intersect the parcel, one with approximately 1,530 feet of two bank frontage and the other with approximately 650 feet of two bank frontage. The parcel is mostly wooded, including box elder, green ash and cottonwood.

The Department has not made substantial investments in infrastructure or habitat improvements on the parcel. This isolated parcel is low quality woodland and gets little public use. The biggest expenditure on the parcel has been property posting as signs keep getting removed.

This parcel is accessible to the public from CTH S. There is no parking lot area available due to steep roadside ditches.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer this land for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats.

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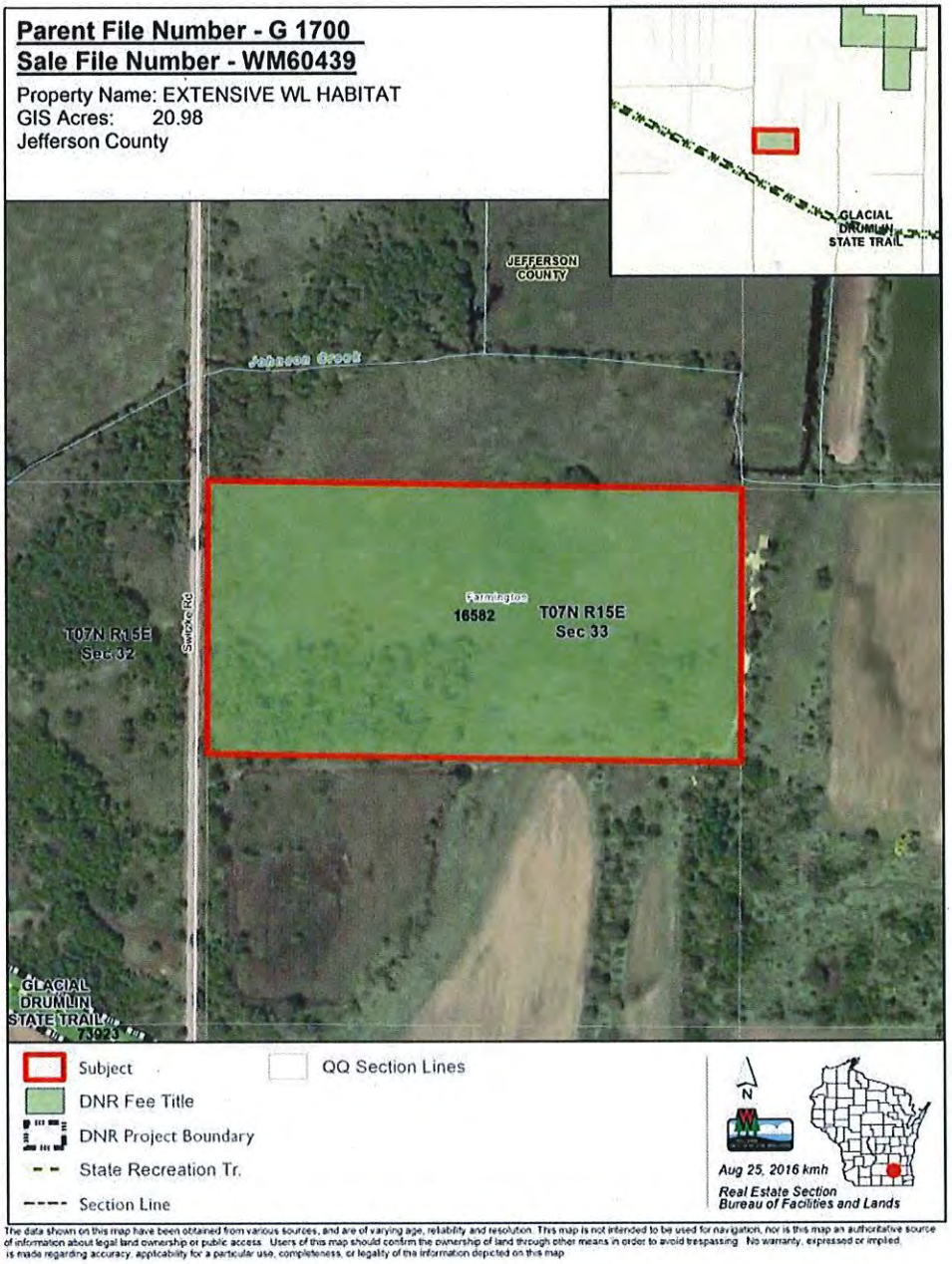
Parent File G 1700/Sale File WM 60439–Jefferson County 20.98 Acres

The Department acquired this parcel for $540 in 1963. It is a Statewide Extensive Wildlife Habitat parcel and is located in the Town of Farmington in Jefferson County. The parcel is wetland with willow, boxelder and canary grass.

The property has poor habitat and receives low public use. The Department has not made significant investments in infrastructure or habitat on the parcel. The parcel is accessible to the public through Switzke Road.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer this land for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats.



Parent File G 1833 A (2)/Sale File WM60464–Dane County 55.22 Acres

The Department acquired this parcel for $4,300 in 1965 from the State Highway Commission. It is a part of the Extensive Wildlife Habitat Statewide project and is located in the Town of Pleasant Springs in Dane County.

The parcel is subject to the following deed restrictions: No vehicular ingress or egress between this parcel and Hwy 90; no advertising signs or billboards erected, except such signs of reasonable size as may be authorized by pertinent state and local requirements; no junked autos, auto parts or salvage materials; minimum building setback of 50 feet outside the nearer right of way line of the adjacent highway, or in accordance with local applicable ordinance, whichever is more restrictive; subject to all applicable zoning laws and/or ordinances and shall be subject to existing town road or utility easements; reserved rights as may exist in or accrue to the Door Creek Drainage District, for the benefit of the members thereof.

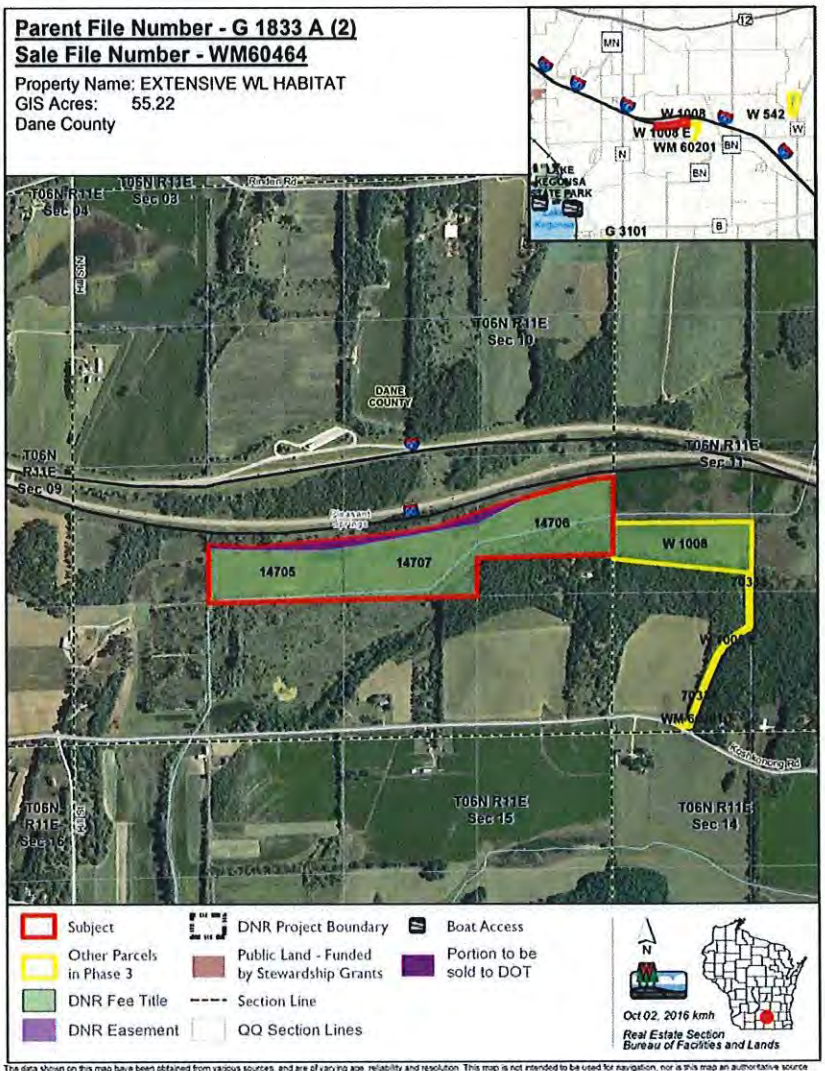
The parcel has approximately 4,090 feet of two bank frontage on an agricultural ditch that intersects the property.

The Department has not made substantial investments in infrastructure or habitat improvements on the parcel. Investments related to the parcel have been staff time for negotiation for a 33 foot easement into the larger property.

The parcel gets little public use, primarily bow hunting in fall. The parcel is accessible to the public through a 33 foot easement from Koshkonong Road and other Department lands.

Department of Transportation (DOT) is purchasing 1.68 acres of this parcel for Interstate 39-90 reconstruction and expansion.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer this land for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats., subject to the deed restrictions from the Department of Transportation.



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Parent File G 2035 /Sale File WM 60429 – Barron County 69.19 Acres

The Department acquired this parcel for $5,000 in 1966. The parcel is a part of the Extensive Wildlife Habitat project and is located in the Town of Almena in Barron County. This land was acquired for the purpose of developing a waterfowl flowage, which has been since abandoned because of the high cost per acre.

The parcel has approximately 1,310 feet of two-bank frontage along an unnamed creek. In addition, there are several ponds located on the eastern half of the parcel. There is a connected parcel to the west as well as a slightly separated parcel to the north, both being proposed to be offered for sale.

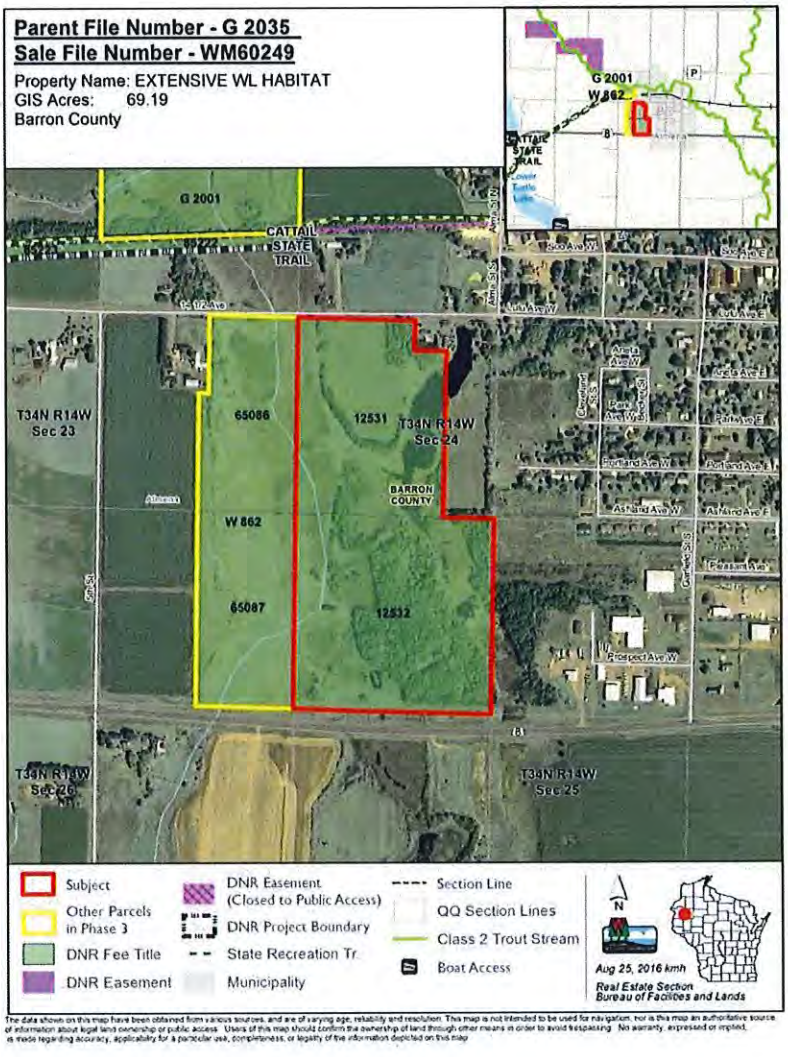
The parcel is accessible to the public and the Department via Highway eight on the south end and 14 ½ Avenue on the north end.

This parcel does show evidence of hunting and hiking. Because it is within city limits, there is no discharge of firearms but there is bow hunting for deer. There are some open water ponds on this parcel.

Investments on the parcel include a one-acre red pine plantation on the south end and a ring of white spruce planted around the field on the north end. The field had been planted to warm season grass that is succeeding to cool season grasses and goldenrod. The larger open water ponds on the north end are made by damming waterways.

A timber sale to regenerate aspen, thin red pine and manage other tree species has been set up however not sold.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer this land for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats., and that the land be offered first to the Village of Almena, subject to deed restrictions requiring the land be open to the general public for all five NBOA's in perpetuity, and secondly be offered to the general public, after completion of the planned timber sale.



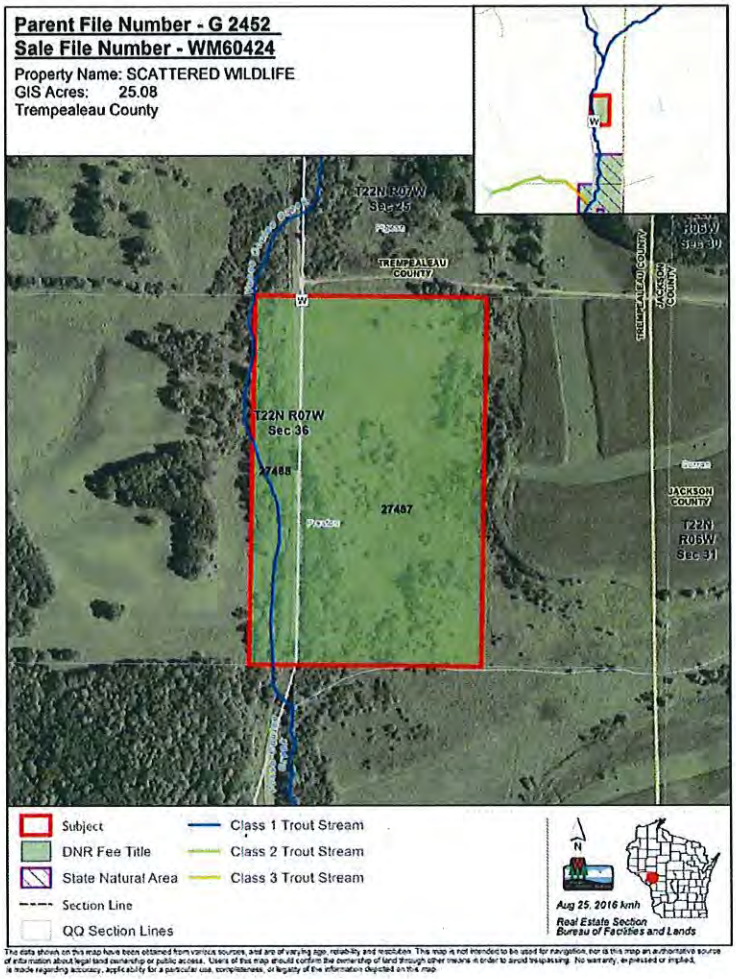
Parent File G 2452/Sale File WM 60424–Trempealeau County 25.08 Acres

The Department acquired this parcel for $800 in 1969. It is a Statewide Scattered Wildlife parcel and is located in the Town of Preston in Trempealeau County. There is approximately 820 feet of two bank frontage on Vosse Coulee Creek, a class one trout stream. The parcel contains northern sedge meadow, which is identified as an important community in the Wildlife Action Plan for the western coulee and ridges landscape.

The property has been stocked with pheasants by local Rod and Gun Clubs in past years to provide hunting opportunities on the property. The main public uses of the property are trout fishing and hunting.

The Department has not made substantial investments in infrastructure or habitat improvements on the parcel. The parcel is accessible to the public through CTH W.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer this land for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats., subject to a conservation easement and with the provision that the Department retain a streambank easement from the buyer as a part of the sale agreement.



Parent File G 3056/Sale File WM 60450–Walworth County 37.09 Acres

The Department acquired this parcel for $21,500 in 1974. It is a Statewide Extensive Wildlife Habitat parcel and is located in the Town of East Troy in Walworth County. There is approximately 1,600 feet of two bank frontage on an unnamed stream that intersects the property.

The Department has made investments in the parcel, including a firebreak installation and prairie planting (both overgrown), brush management and prescribed burning. However, the property has not been actively managed for many years; more funding would be required to actively manage the property. It is currently overgrown with brush and invasive vegetation.

The main public uses of the property are bow hunting, waterfowl hunting, trapping and rabbit hunting. The parcel is accessible to the public through Hwy L and Stone School Road.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer this land for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats.

Parent File G 3167/Sale File WM 60453–Waukesha County 40.69 Acres

The Department acquired this parcel for $10,250 in 1976. It is a Statewide Extensive Wildlife Habitat parcel and is located in the Town of Oconomowoc in Waukesha County. There are two ponds on the property totaling approximately 3.5 acres, one of which is an old quarry pond. There is also an agricultural drainage ditch with approximately 2,350 feet of two bank frontage. A very small portion of the property is uplands, while the rest is thick canary grass, cattail and brush. The upland portion is wooded with extensive invasive species.

The Department has made investments in the parcel, including developing a parking lot. However, this parking lot is now dilapidated. The parcel is very wet, not easily accessible and has not been actively managed.

Public uses of the parcel include deer hunting, waterfowl hunting and use of the quarry pond site. The property is accessible to the public from Hwy 67.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer this land for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats.

Parent File P 1705/Sale File PR 40217– Lincoln County 202.48 Acres

The Department acquired this parcel for $108,000 in 1999. It is an Ice Age Trail parcel and is located in the Town of Rock Falls in Lincoln County. At the time of acquisition, the Natural Resources Board approved that once the trail location had been set, the portion of the land not needed should be sold or exchanged. It has been determined that only the northern portion of the property will be needed for trail purposes.

The parcel is comprised of both lowland and upland woodland.

The Department has not made significant investments in infrastructure or habitat improvements on the parcel. The parcel is accessible to the public through CTH H and Olivotti Lake Road.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer a portion of this land (202.48 Acres) for sale under the authority granted by s.
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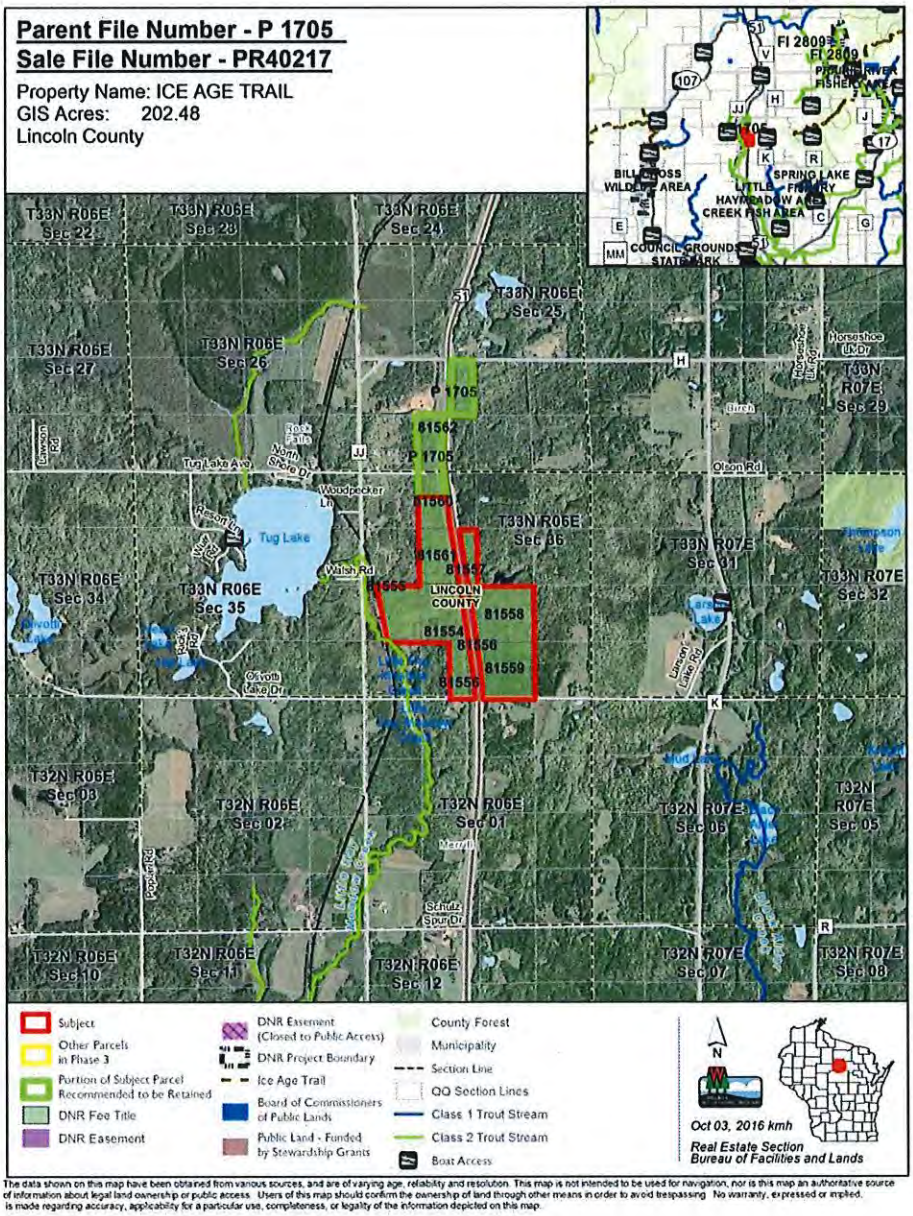


Parent File PR 40055/Sale File PR 40216– Dane County 24.39 Acres

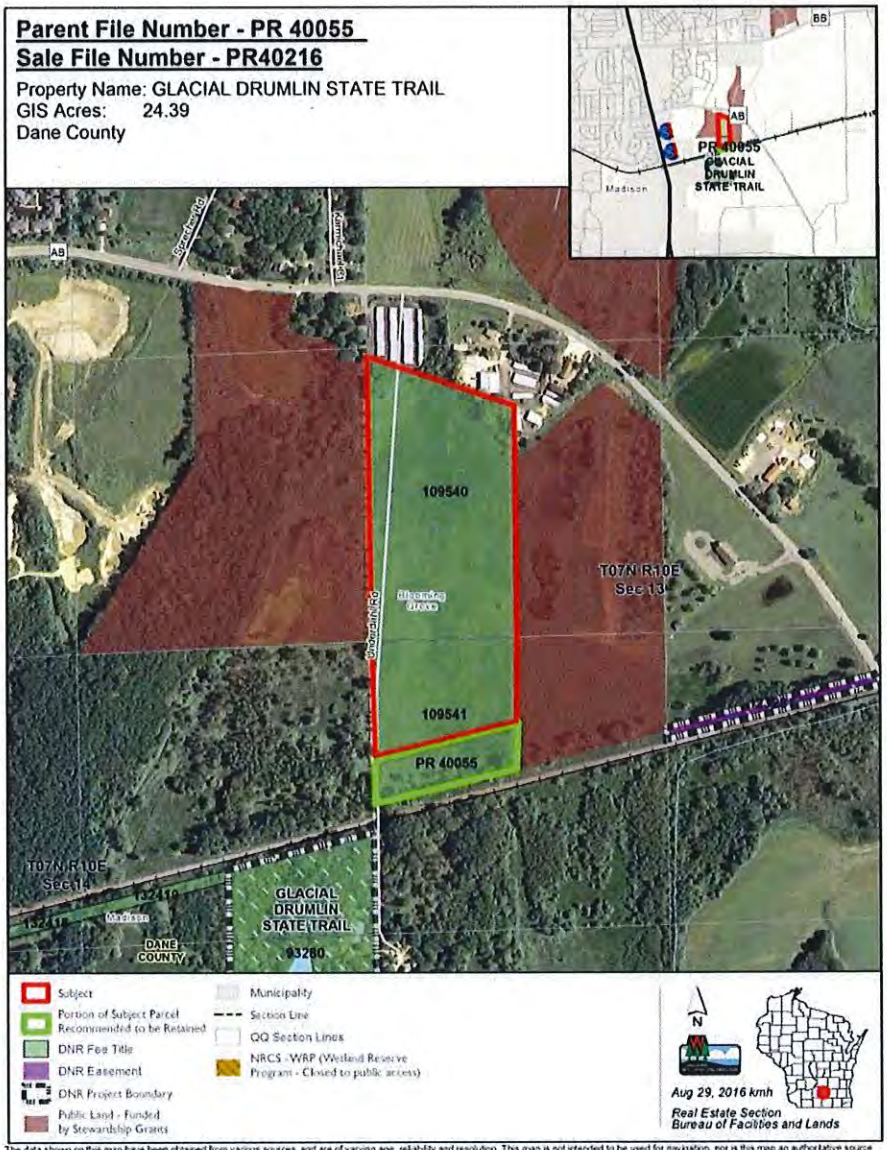
The Department acquired this parcel as part of a larger 28.14 acre parcel for $168,840 in 2009. The parcel is a part of the Glacial Drumlin State Trail and is located in the Town of Blooming Grove in Dane County and consists of mostly wetlands.

The parcel was originally acquired to facilitate a trail connection; therefore the southern 150 feet running parallel with the trail corridor is being recommended to be retained for trail purposes.

This parcel is adjacent to a Dane County owned lands.

The Department has not made significant investments in infrastructure or habitat improvements on the parcel. The parcel is accessible to the public through Underdahl Road which runs along the west side of the parcel.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer a portion of this parcel for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats., and the land be offered first to the Town of Blooming Grove, City of Madison or Dane County, subject to a deed restriction requiring the land be open to the general public for all five NBOA's in perpetuity and secondly be offered to the general public.



Parent File W 204/Sale File WM 60455–Waushara County 20.05 Acres

The Department acquired this parcel for $12,000 in 1979. It is a Statewide Extensive Wildlife Habitat parcel and is located in the Town of Poysippi in Waushara County. The property is wetland cover type with canary grass and willow.

There is a sharecropping agreement on the property for annual marsh hay cutting.

The Department has not made significant investments in infrastructure or habitat on the property. The parcel has not been actively managed and sees little public use

The property is accessible to the public from Buttercup Court and 35th Road.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer this land for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats., subject to the existing sharecropping agreement on the property.

Parent File W 325/Sale File WM 60410 – Fond Du Lac County 80.94 Acres

The Department acquired this parcel for $32,000 in 1981. The parcel is part of the Extensive Wildlife Habitat project and is located in the Town of Marshfield in Fond du Lac County. The parcel is mostly wetland and was purchased for wildlife habitat management and public recreation.

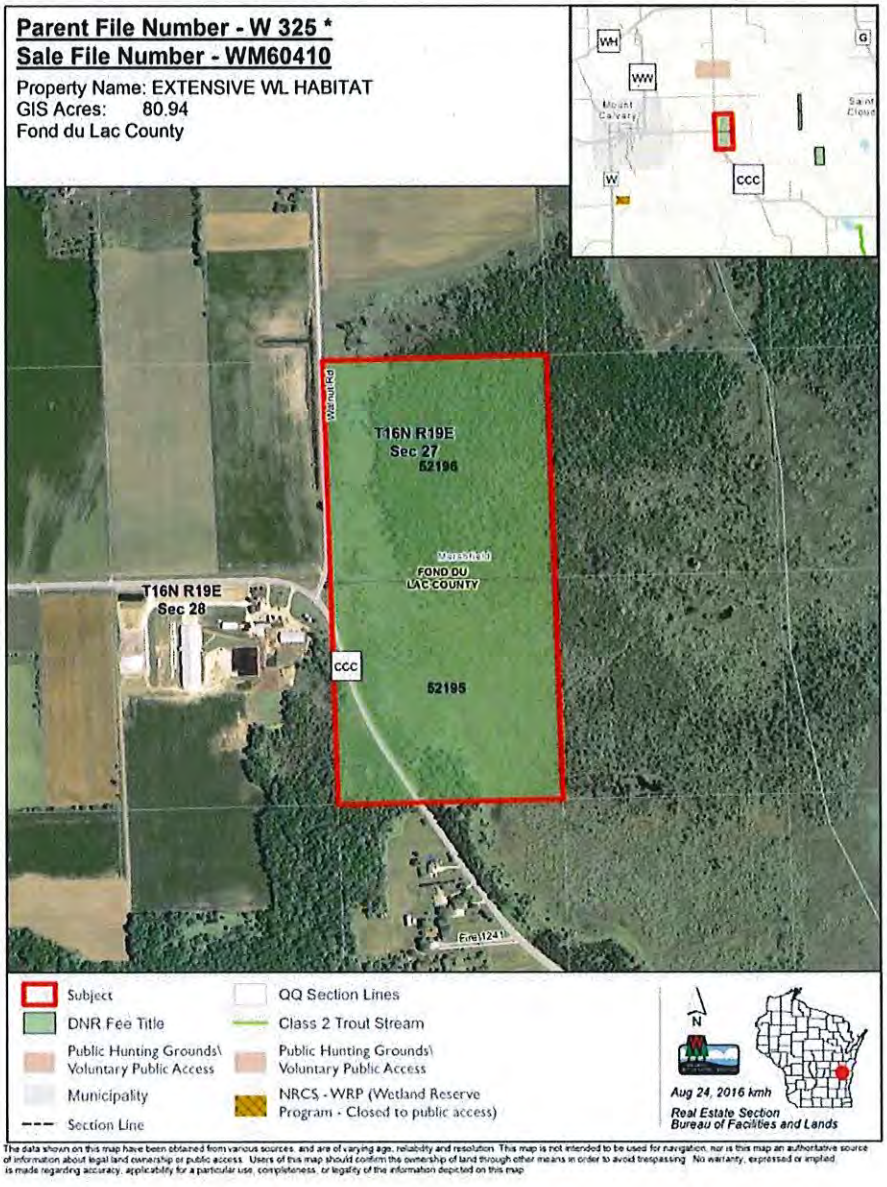
The Natural Heritage Inventory (NHI) shows Slippershell Mussel and Blanding Turtle on the property. Vegetation is dominated by canary grass, cattail and bottomland hardwoods.

The parcel is accessible to the public via Walnut Road which runs along the entire western edge of the parcel and County Highway CCC which runs through the southwest corner of the parcel.

The Department has not made significant investments in infrastructure or habitat improvements to the parcel.

A 280 acre Calvary Marsh owned by the County is located 3/4 miles south of the parcel and a canoe launch one mile south on County CCC. This parcel may fit in to the management objective of 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 offered first to the Town of Marshfield and Fond du Lac County, subject to deed restrictions requiring the land be open to the general public for all five NBOA's in perpetuity. And then secondly be offered for sale to the general public.



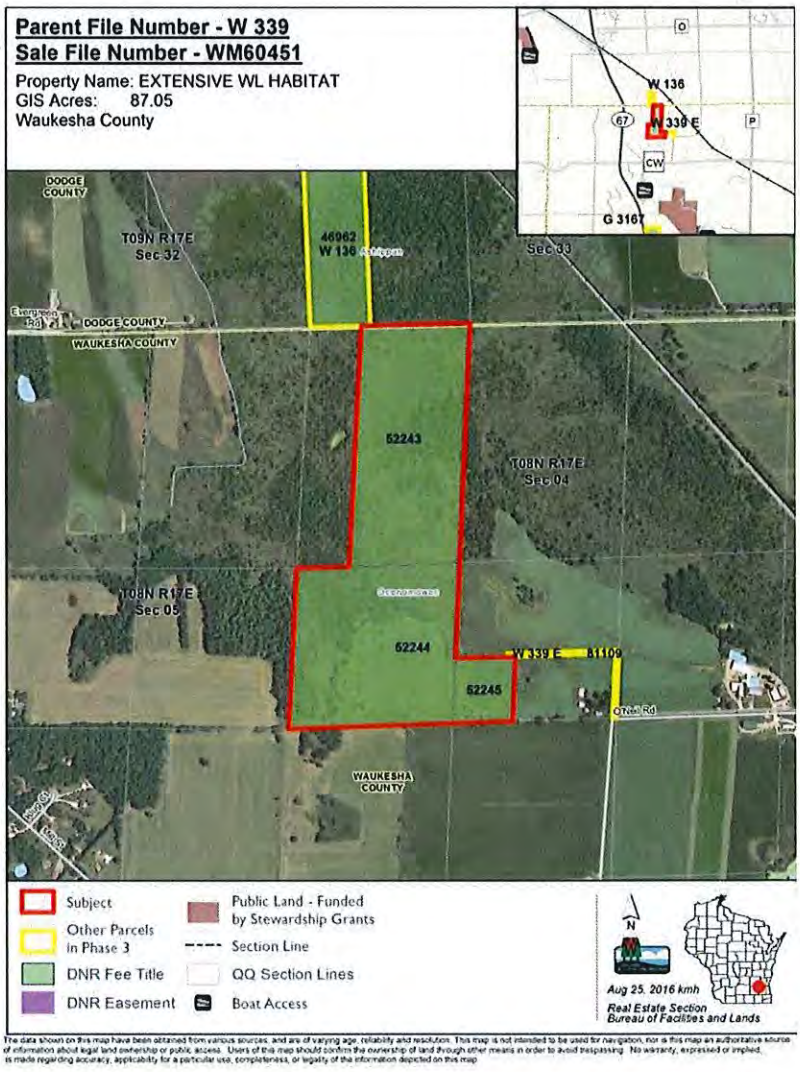
Parent File W 339/Sale File WM 60451–Waukesha County 87.05 Acres

The Department acquired this parcel for $48,300 in 1981. It is a Statewide Extensive Wildlife Habitat parcel and is located in the Town of Oconomowoc in Waukesha County. The parcel has a 6 acre historical site identified, through the State Historic Preservation Office, in the Southeast portion.

The Department has made investments in the parcel, including warm season prairie planting (which failed) and management of encroaching trees on the upland portion of the parcel. There is a long term sharecropping agreement with a neighboring landowner on about 20 acres of this parcel, which expires in December 2017. There have been previous negotiations with this landowner for a possible exchange of land.

Public uses of the property include deer and turkey hunting. The property is accessible to the public through an access easement from O'Neil Road. Commonly, the access easement is cropped with corn, which makes it difficult for the public and Department staff to access this parcel.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer this land for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats.



Parent File W 339 E/Sale File WM 60452–Waukesha County 0.92 Acres

The Department acquired this parcel as a part of a larger transaction to the northwest in 1981. It is a Statewide Extensive Wildlife Habitat parcel and is located in the Town of Oconomowoc in Waukesha County. This easement provides access to another parcel (W 339) which is being proposed to be offered for sale.

The Department has made investments in the easement, including tree removal and boundary location work. This work has increased in recent years; there are frequent requests for tree removal, mowing and boundary line posting by the property owner.

Public uses of the parcel include deer hunter access to get to the larger property. The property is accessible to the public from O'Neil Road. Commonly, the access easement is cropped with corn, which makes it difficult for the public and Department staff to access this parcel.

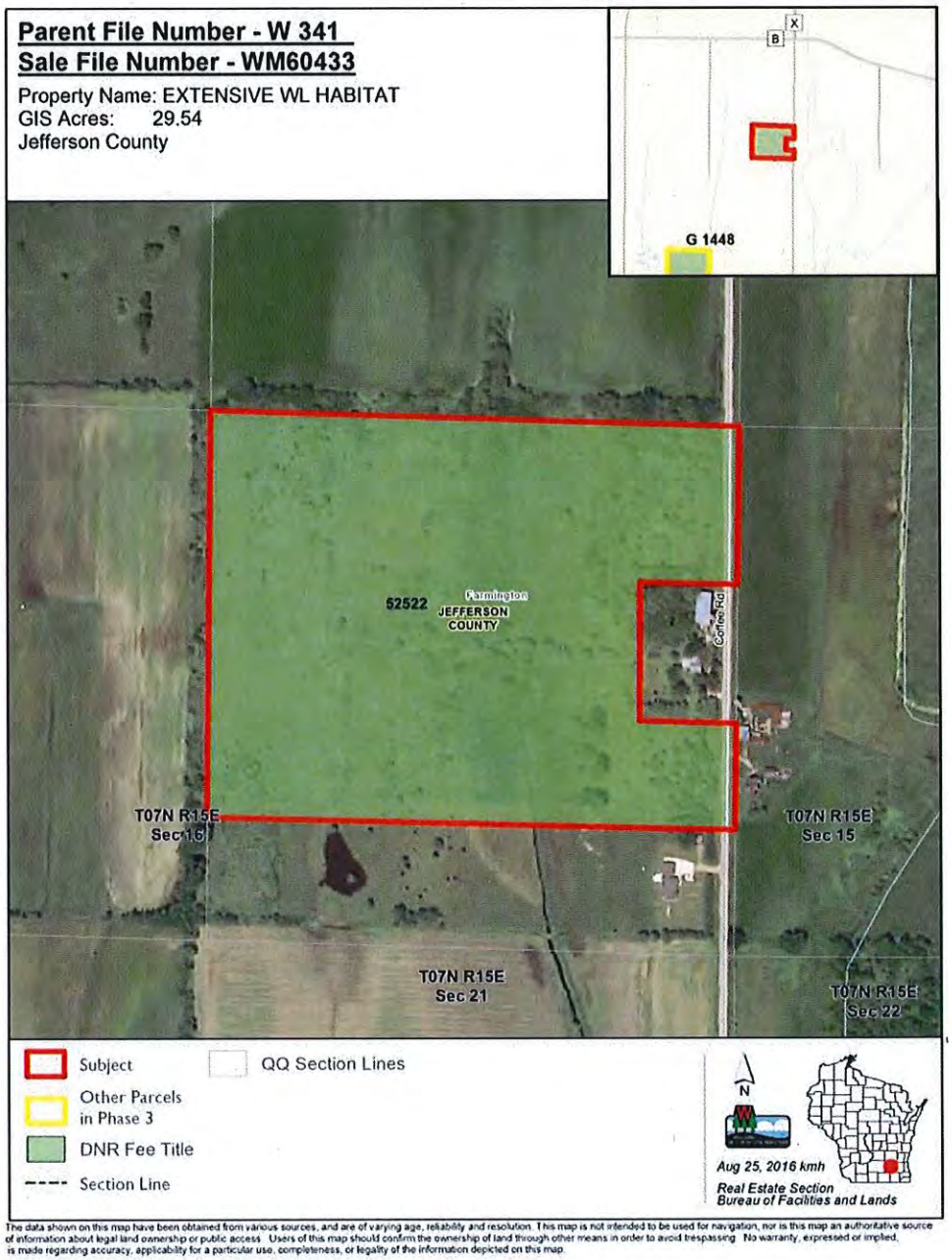
The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer this land for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats.

Parent File W 341/Sale File WM 60433–Jefferson County 29.54 Acres

The Department acquired this parcel for $25,500 in 1981. It is a part of the Extensive Wildlife Habitat Statewide project and is located in the Town of Farmington in Jefferson County. The parcel has approximately 1,030 feet of two bank frontage on an agricultural ditch that intersects the parcel. The land cover is comprised of upland grasses mixed with honeysuckle, box elder and buckthorn.

The Department has not made substantial investments in infrastructure or habitat improvements on the parcel. The parcel is accessible to the public from Coffee Road. Due to poor quality habitat, the parcel sees limited public use; some upland bird hunting.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer this land for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats.



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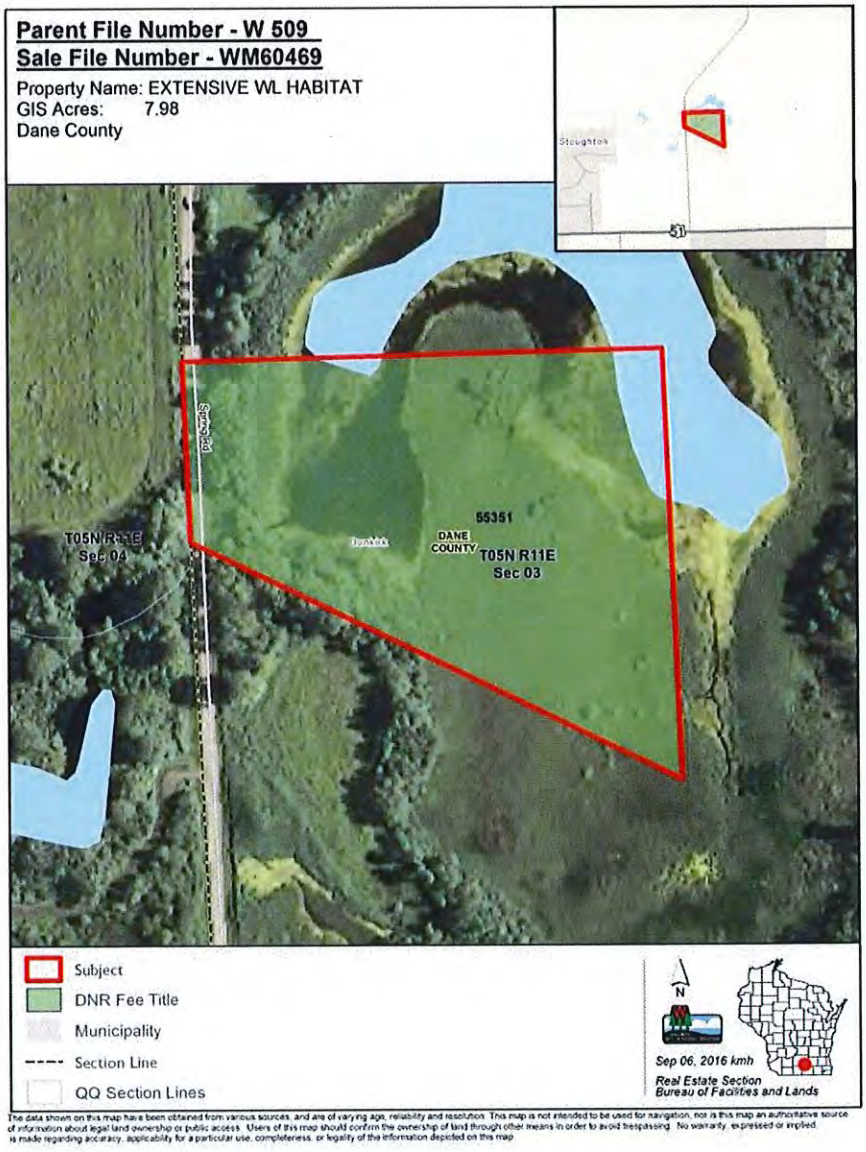
Parent File W 509/Sale File WM 60469–Dane County 7.98 Acres

The Department acquired this parcel for $7,200 in 1983. It is an Extensive Wildlife Habitat parcel and is located in the Town of Dunkirk in Dane County. The parcel is wetland with some lowland hardwoods. The parcel has minor recreational value has little evidence of public use; the property is not posted as public land.

The Department has not made substantial investments in infrastructure or habitat improvements on the parcel. The parcel is accessible to the public through Spring Road.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer this land for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats.



Parent File W 742/Sale File WM 60473–Ozaukee County 30.13 Acres

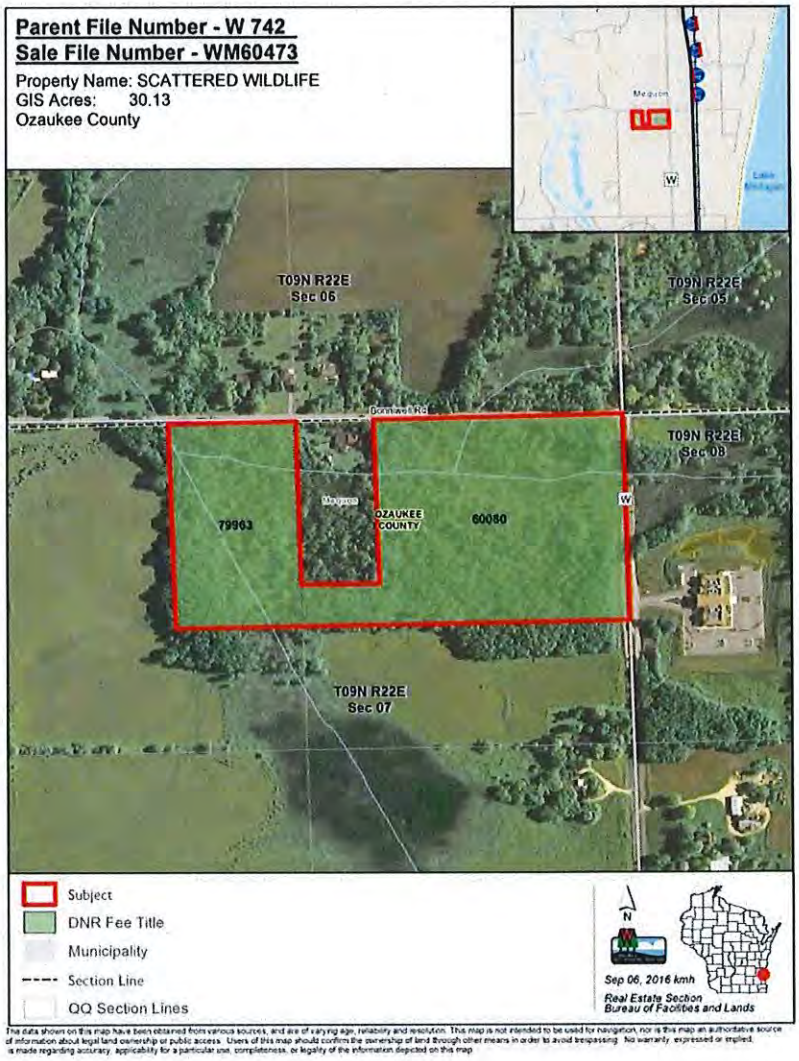
The Department was gifted this property in 1986. It is a part of the Statewide Scattered Wildlife project and is located in the Town of Mequon in Ozaukee County. There are portions of unnamed streams intersecting the parcel providing approximately 2,605 feet of two bank frontage.

The parcel is primarily forested wetland. A site visit in 2016 determined that the site was not suitable for timber harvest due to the high water table and wet conditions.

A small 3-4 car gravel parking lot, drive way and driveway culvert were installed on the parcel in 2012 to improve public access. There have been minimal investments made in habitat, in 2015 and 2016 the parcel was selected by forestry health staff as a release site for parasitic wasps, to help control emerald ash bore (EAB). They are being released to delay tree mortality and help surviving trees remain alive by lowering EAB populations over the long term.

Public use on the parcel includes bow/crossbow hunters for deer hunting and some turkey and small game hunting use. The public can access the parcel through Bonniwell Road.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer this land for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats.



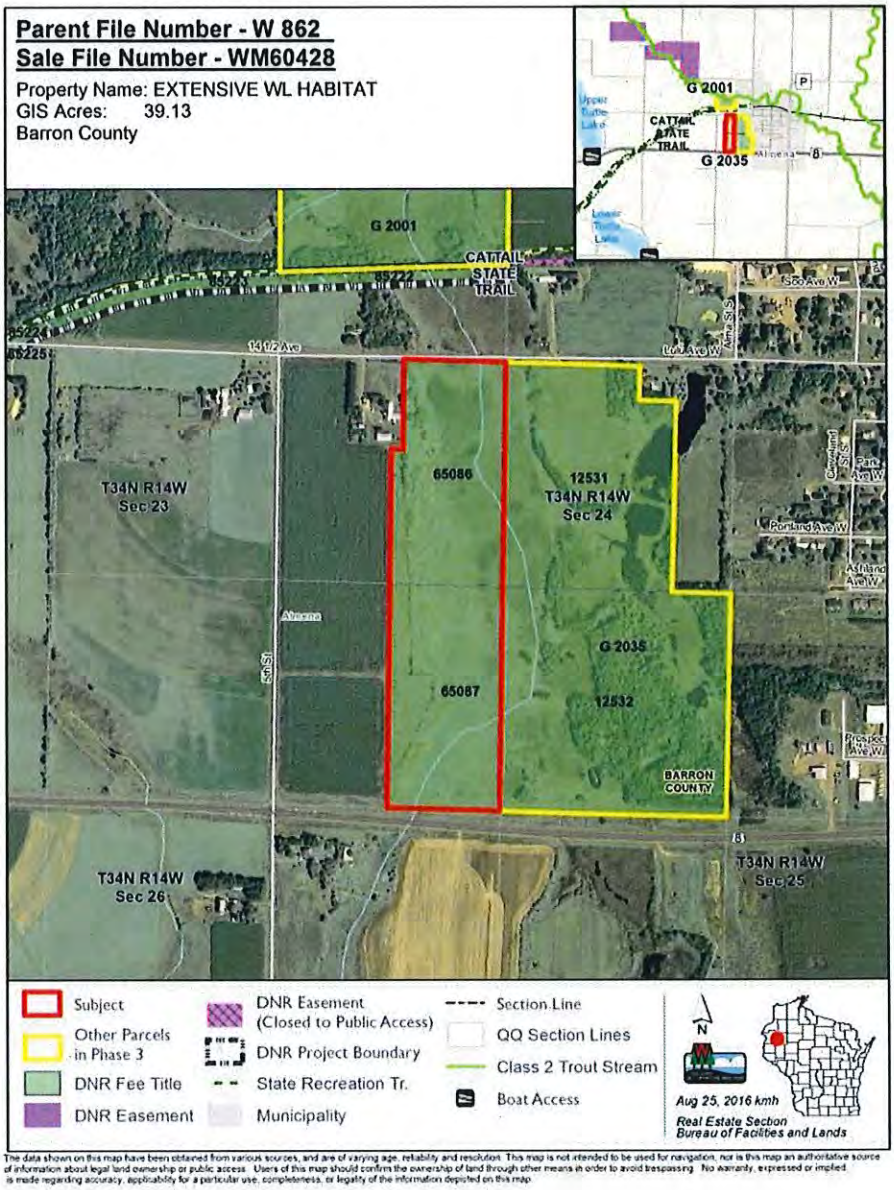
Parent File W 862/Sale File WM 60428– Barron County 39.13 Acres

The Department acquired this parcel in 1989 for $19,000. It is a Statewide Extensive Wildlife Habitat parcel and is located in the Town of Almena in Barron County. This was acquired to complement the 69 acre parcel to the east. In cooperation with Ducks Unlimited, the plan was to construct a dam and flood the basin to develop a flowage. That plan was abandoned when the cost per acre of the flowage was deemed too high.

The Department has not made substantial investments in infrastructure or habitat improvements on the parcel. There is approximately 1,770 feet of two bank frontage on an unnamed stream on the parcel. It is outside the city limits, so discharge of firearms is allowed.

The parcel is accessible to the public through Hwy 8 on the south and 14 ½ avenue on the north.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer this land for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats.



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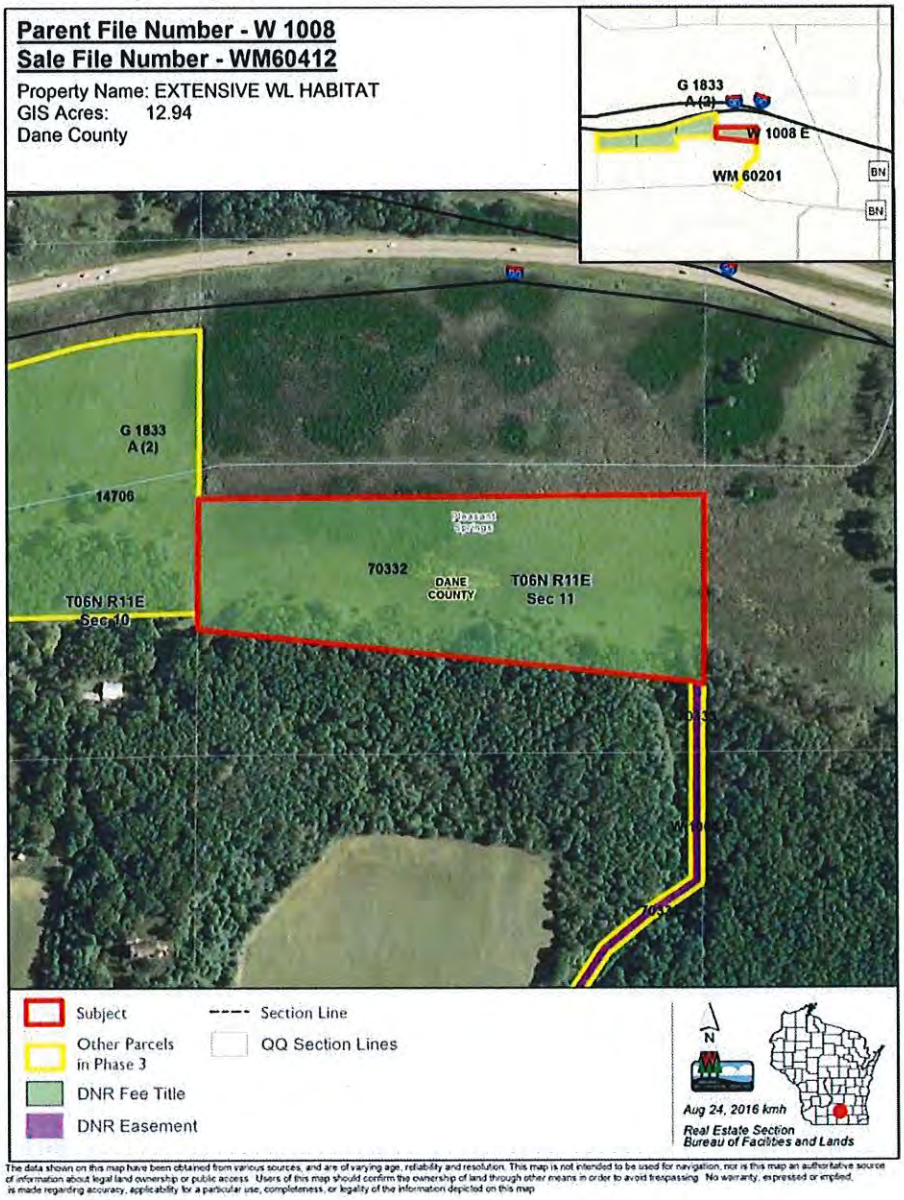
Parent File W 1008/Sale File WM 60412 – Dane County 12.94 Acres

The Department was gifted this parcel in 1992. It is a part of the Extensive Wildlife Habitat Statewide project and is located in the Town of Pleasant Springs in Dane County. The parcel cover type is disturbed wet meadow. The parcel has 1320 feet of two bank frontage on an unnamed creek.

The Department has not made substantial investments in infrastructure or habitat improvements on the parcel. Minor investments related to the parcel have been staff time for negotiation for a 33 foot easement into the parcel.

The overall habitat quality of the parcel is low which impacts its recreational value. The parcel gets little public use, primarily bow hunting in fall. The parcel is accessible to the public through a 33 foot easement from Koshkonong Road.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer this land for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats.



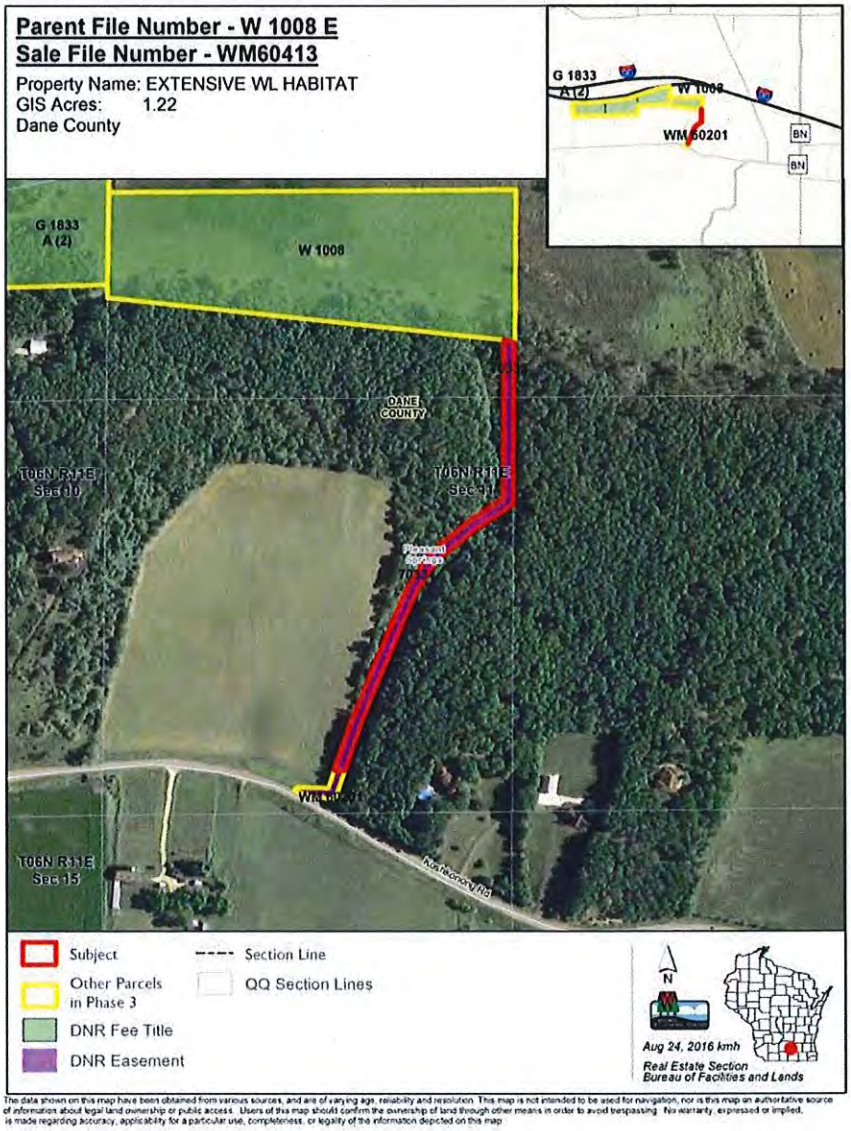
Parent File W 1008 E/Sale File WM 60413 – Dane County 1.22 Acres

The Department was gifted this parcel in 1992. It is a part of the Extensive Wildlife Habitat Statewide project and is located in the Town of Pleasant Springs in Dane County.

The Department has not made substantial investments in infrastructure or habitat improvements on the parcel. Minor investments related to the parcel have been simple trail clearing and sign posting.

This easement parcel provides public access from Koshkonong Road to other Department parcels to the north. The parcels to the north are being proposed for sale.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer this land for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats.



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Parent File WM 60201/Sale File WM 60414 – Dane County 0.13 Acres

The Department acquired this easement parcel for $500 in 2013. A survey of the access easement to the north found that the property line did not intersect the town road. Acquisition of this easement made the connection. The parcel is a part of the Extensive Wildlife Habitat Statewide project and is located in the Town of Pleasant Springs in Dane County.

Except for sign posting, the Department has not made substantial investments in infrastructure or habitat improvements on the parcel.

This easement parcel provides public access from Koshkonong Road to other Department parcels to the north. The parcels to the north are being proposed for sale.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer this land for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats.

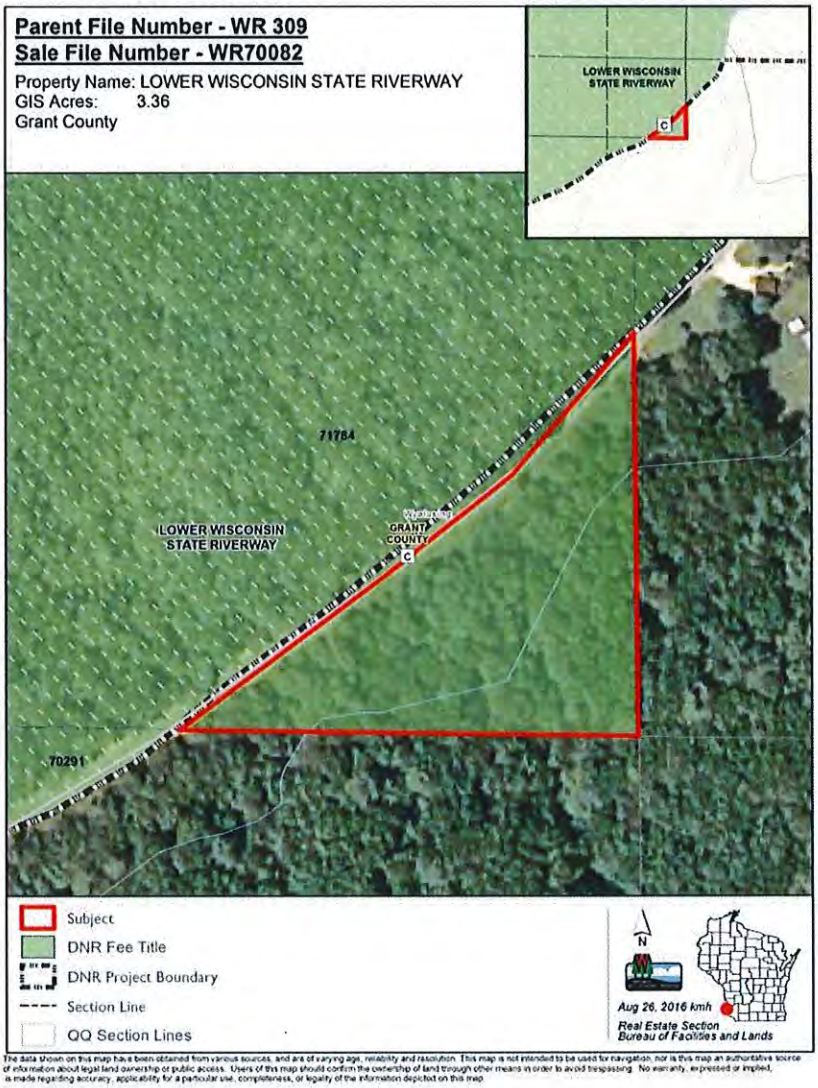
Parent File WR 309/Sale File WR 70082–Grant County 3.36 Acres

The Department acquired this parcel as a part of a larger acquisition for $21,525 in 1993. It is a part of the Lower Wisconsin State Riverway project and is located in the Town of Wyalusing in Grant County. At the time of acquisition, the Natural Resources Board removed this small portion of the property from the Lower Wisconsin Riverway project boundary and approved that it be held for future sale or exchange.

An unnamed stream with approximately 615 feet of two bank frontage intersects the parcel. The parcel consists mostly of maple, basswood, ash and oak. It is difficult terrain and offers limited recreational value. The parcel does not provide an access route or connector to other Department lands and does not impact the scenic value of the Riverway.

The Department has not made substantial investments in infrastructure or habitat improvements on the parcel. The parcel is accessible to the public through Hwy C.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer this land for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats. If it is found that County zoning does not allow for the subdivision of this parcel, it may only be offered for sale to the adjoining landowners.



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