

File# FI 2847 – Waushara – 15.4 acres

The Department purchased this property, as a part of a larger acquisition in 2006. At the time of acquisition the Natural Resources Board directed that the acreage outside the boundary would be analyzed for resource value with consideration that some of the land be added to the project boundary and the northerly acreage be held for sale or exchange in the future.

The property is mostly forested and has timber harvests scheduled for recon during winter of 2015-2016. The property provides access to a larger contiguous block of Department fee title lands on the White River Fishery Area.

The property contains 458 feet along the paved town road. There is a 33 foot wide public walk in access strip in the lower 1/3 of the property across a farm field road that provides easy access to the property. There is another 33 foot wide management access strip located at the north boundary of the parcel. This parcel also provides a third access to approximately 469 acres of DNR owned land.

The property provides excellent opportunities for public recreation, including small game hunting, deer hunting, trapping and nature study. This area of the state has a high demand for public recreation opportunities, this property helps meet that need.

The Department has made minimal investments in time and materials associated with locating and posting property boundaries.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer a portion of this property (15.4 acres) for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Stats.

The Department also recommends retaining a portion of this property (51.3 acres) for continued public recreation use, contiguous ownership and access to other Department lands.

