

Parent File FI 285/Sale File FM 10384 – Oconto County 59.02 Acres

The Department acquired this parcel as part of a larger 160 acres purchase totaling \$3,800 in 1962 for the South Branch Oconto River Fishery Area located in the Town of Breed in Oconto County.

That parcel is a mixture of upland and lowland woodland with Aspen, Red Pine, Balsam Fir, and Swamp Hardwood. An unnamed tributary runs through a portion of the parcel.

There have been two timber harvests on the property with the most recent sale in 2009. The main objective of both harvests was to encourage regeneration of intermediate species, aspen and balsam fir, to encourage stand diversity, age class, and edge habitat.

Public access to the property is through other Department lands and the primary use of the parcel is for hunting and for direct fishing access.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer the eastern 59.02 acres for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats., and the land be only offered to Oconto County, subject to management rights on the east 59.02 acres and a deed restriction requiring the land be open to the general public for all five NBOA's in perpetuity.

