

Parent File FI 921/Sale File FM10419– Sauk County 19.21 Acres

The Department acquired these three parcels as a gift in 1970. The purpose of the gift was to provide public access to Dutch Hollow Lake

The parcels are located in the Towns of Woodland and La Valle, approximately 3.5 miles northwest of the Village of La Valle. They were acquired for the Statewide Habitat Area project. The property has approximately 790 feet of frontage along Dutch Hollow Lake, approximately 2,984 feet of two-bank frontage along Dutch Hollow Creek and approximately 3,690 feet of two-bank frontage along two unnamed creeks. Approximately one-third of these parcels are wetland.

These parcels provide public access for shoreline fishing, walk in access to the lake for ice fishing during the winter and carry in access for launching small watercraft. They also provide public access for hunting and trapping activities including archery hunting for deer and duck hunting.

The Department has made investments into these parcels and lake. Fish population surveys have periodically occurred on Dutch Hollow Lake since 1978. The

Department was awarded grants to monitor aquatic plants and water quality of Dutch Hollow Lake. The Department awarded money to the Town of La Valle to renovate the public access site near the dam. There is a steel pole building on one of the parcels, used as storage for Department law enforcement with a verbal agreement with the Town of Woodland.

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 of La Valle subject to a deed restriction requiring the land be open to the general public for all five NBOA's in perpetuity, and subject to an easement for fisheries management.

