

File G 2801– Polk County 31.37 Acres

The Department acquired this parcel for \$2,000 in 1972. The parcel is a part of the Scattered Wildlife project and is located in the Town of Black Brook in Polk County.

This parcel was a part of the phase 2 land sales and was held for future study. At that time a letter was received from the Friends of the St. Croix Wetland Management district, Willow River Rod and Gun Club, Star Prairie Fish and Game Association and the St. Croix County Alliance of Sportsmen’s Club in opposition to the sale of this property.

This parcel is near the Western Prairie Habitat Restoration Area and Star Prairie Bird Conservation Area. It is near both state and federal properties with unified management goals of wetland and grassland management that affects species management in identified project areas. It also offers winter cover for pheasants and other wildlife.

The wetland hosts waterfowl, including swans, which provides a good wildlife viewing experience for the public. The public can access the parcel from 5th Avenue.

The Department has not made significant investments in infrastructure or habitat management on the parcel.

The Department recommends retaining this parcel.



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