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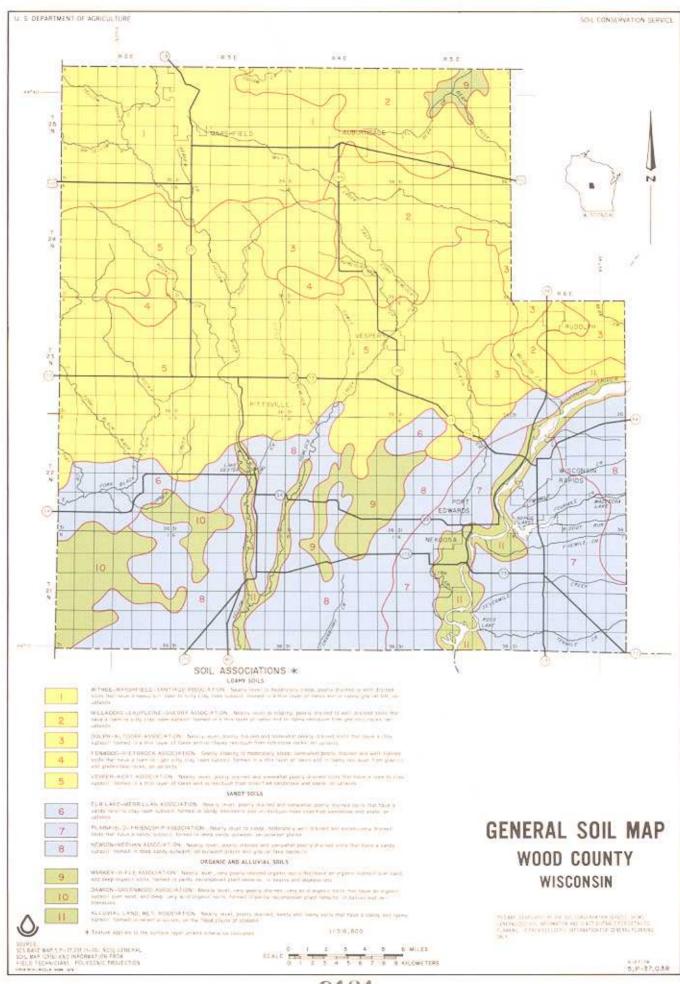
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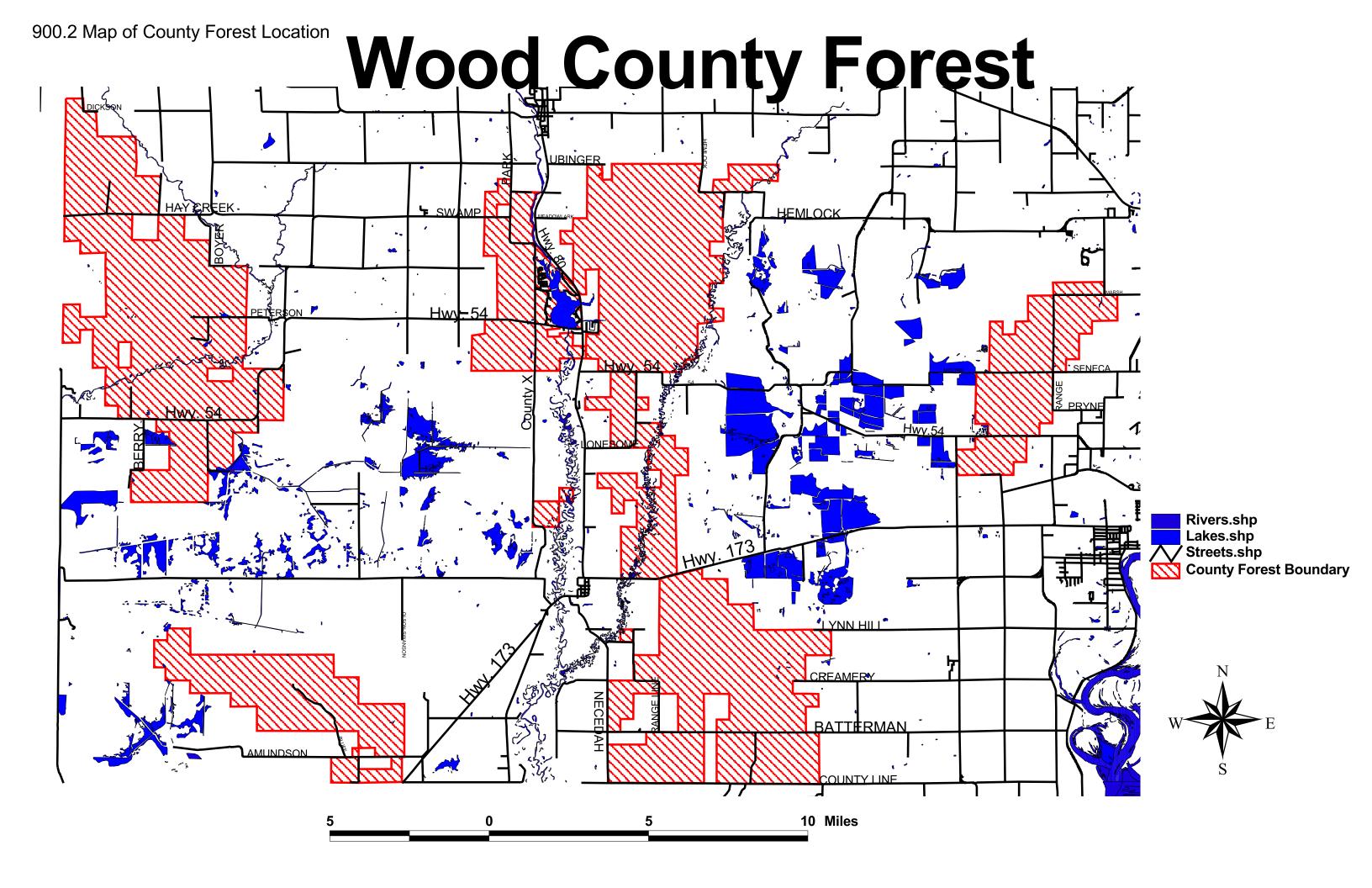
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900.1 GENERAL SOIL MAP OF WOOD COUNTY

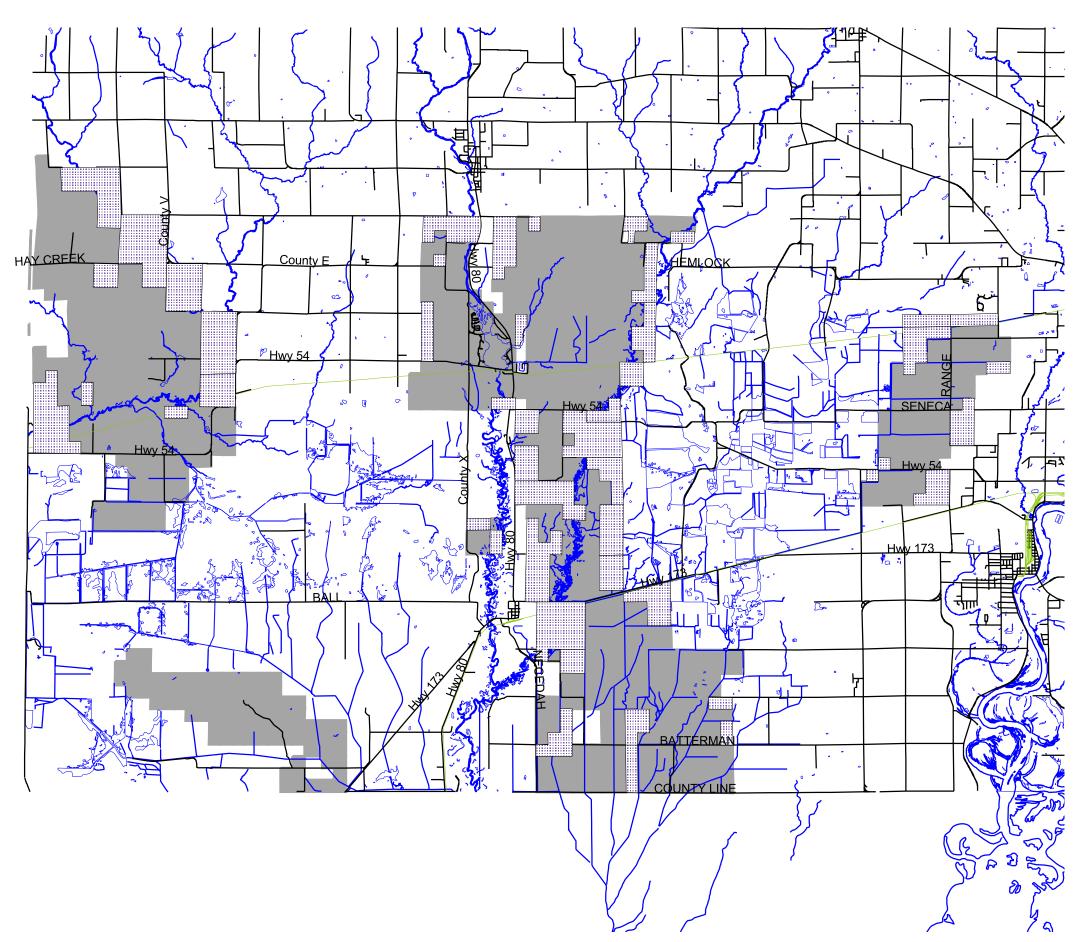


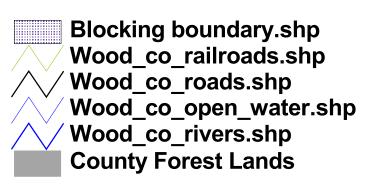
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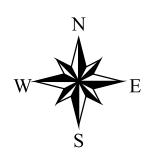


OFFICAL COUNTY FOREST BOUNDARY MAP

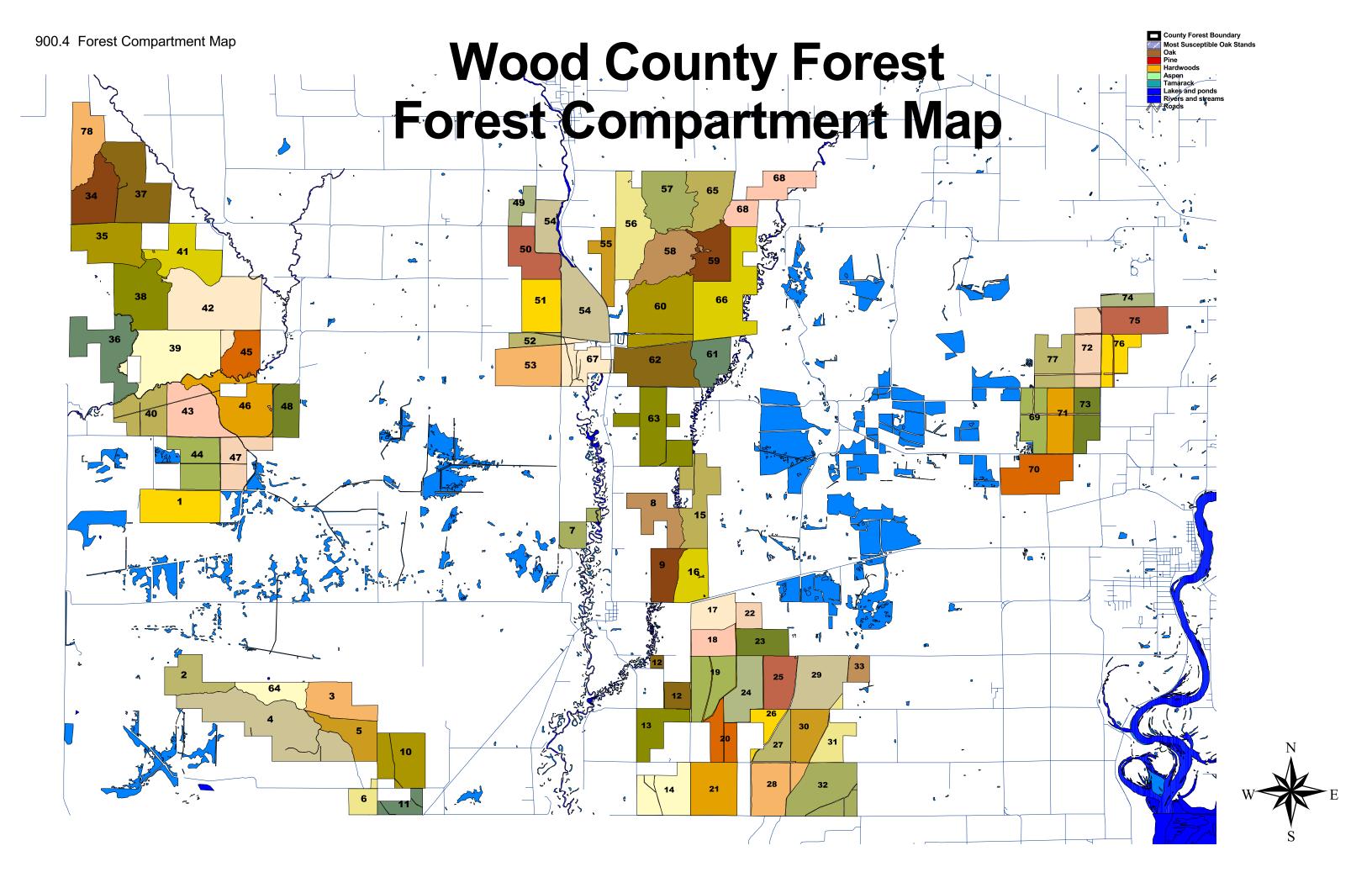
Wood County Forest Blocking Boundaries







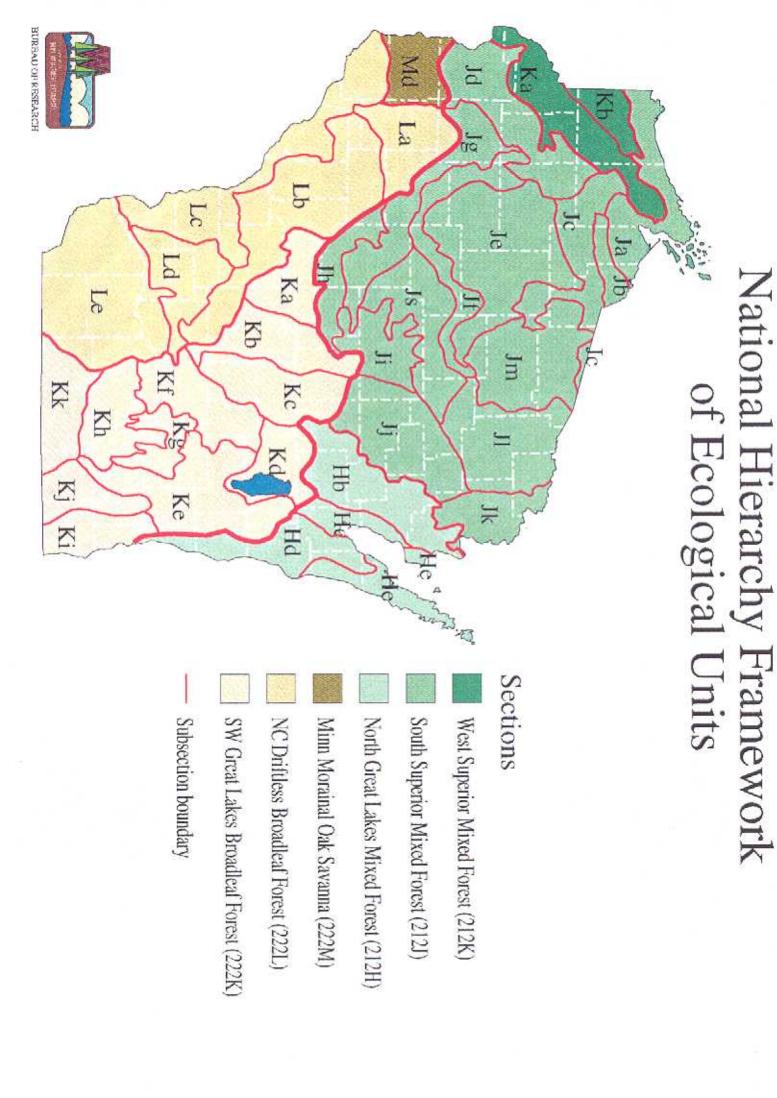
FOREST COMPARTMENT MAP



FOREST COVER TYPES – DETAIL

	Couran Trum o	1
Forest	Cover Type	<u>Acres</u> 15,814
Cover	Aspen Aspen Off site	1,802
Cover	Aspen – Off site Bottomland Hardwood	1,002
	White Birch	1,133 61
	White Birch Central Hardwood	15
	Fir – Spruce	53
	•	296
	Red Maple Northern Hardwood	290 290
	Oak	
	Scrub Oak	3,497
	Jack Pine	1,518 309
	Red Pine	2,319
	White Pine	1,684
	Tamarack	255
	TOTAL FOREST ACRES:	29,068
M E		146
Non-Forest	Upland Grass	146
Cover	Herbaceous Vegetation	17
	Industrial Area	17
	Parking Area	6
	Campground	36
	Picnic Area	27
	Motor Vehicle Trail	14
	Snowmobile Trail	1
	Muskeg - Bog	56
	Emergent Vegetation	60
	Non-Commercial Grass	4,591
	Water	263
	Lowland Brush	78
	Tag Alder	861
	Red Dogwood	131
	Willows	1,858
	Minor Lake	39
	Minor Stream	265
	Right of Way	153
	Upland brush	7
	Rock Outcrops	7
	TOTAL NON-FOREST ACRES:	8,633
	<u>TOTAL PROPERTY ACRES</u> :	<i>37,701</i>

NATIONAL HIERARCHIAL FRAMEWORK OF ECOLOGICAL UNITS

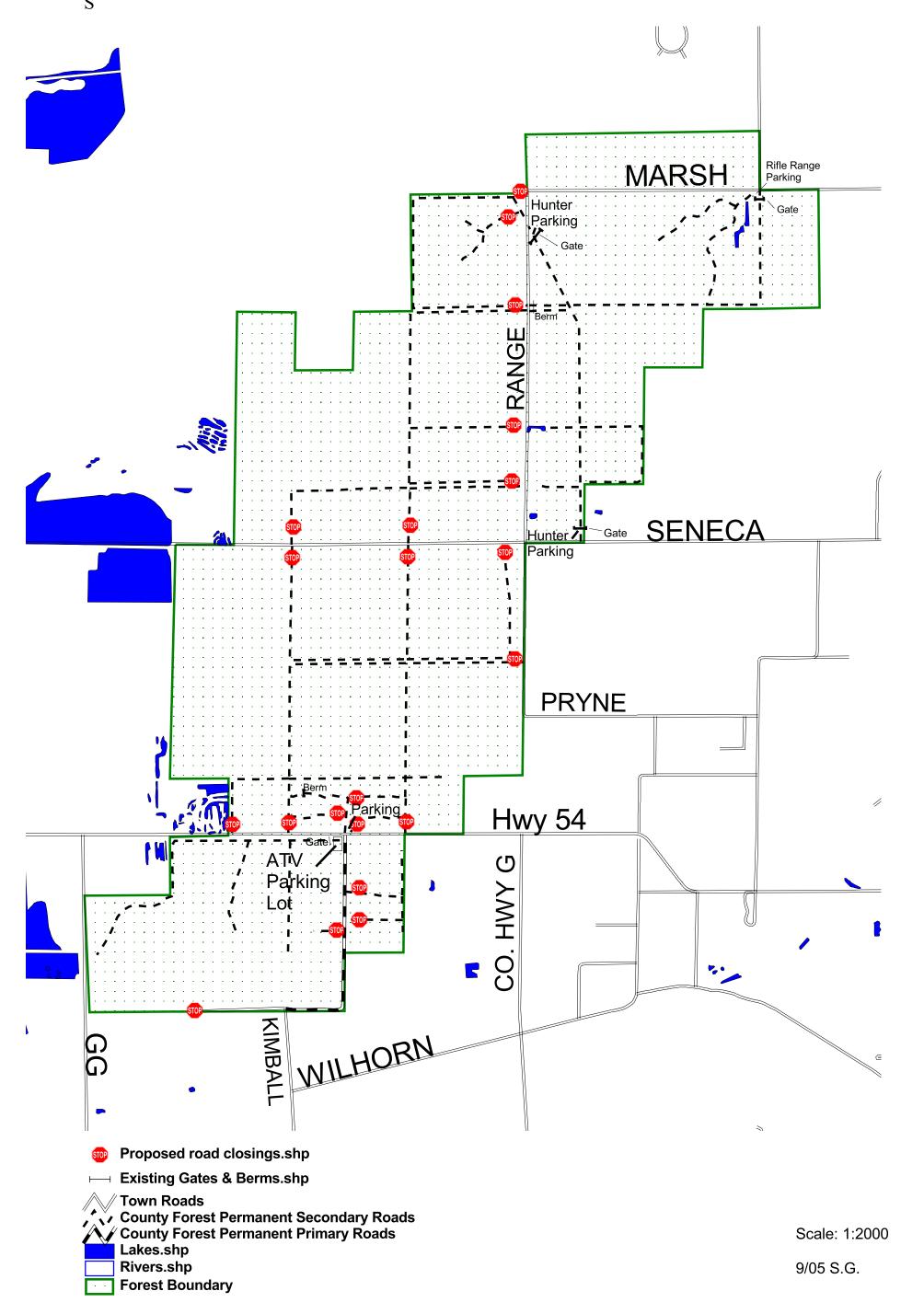


MAPS OF PERMANENT PRIMARY, SECONDARY, AND CERTIFIED ROADS

900.7.1 Seneca Block

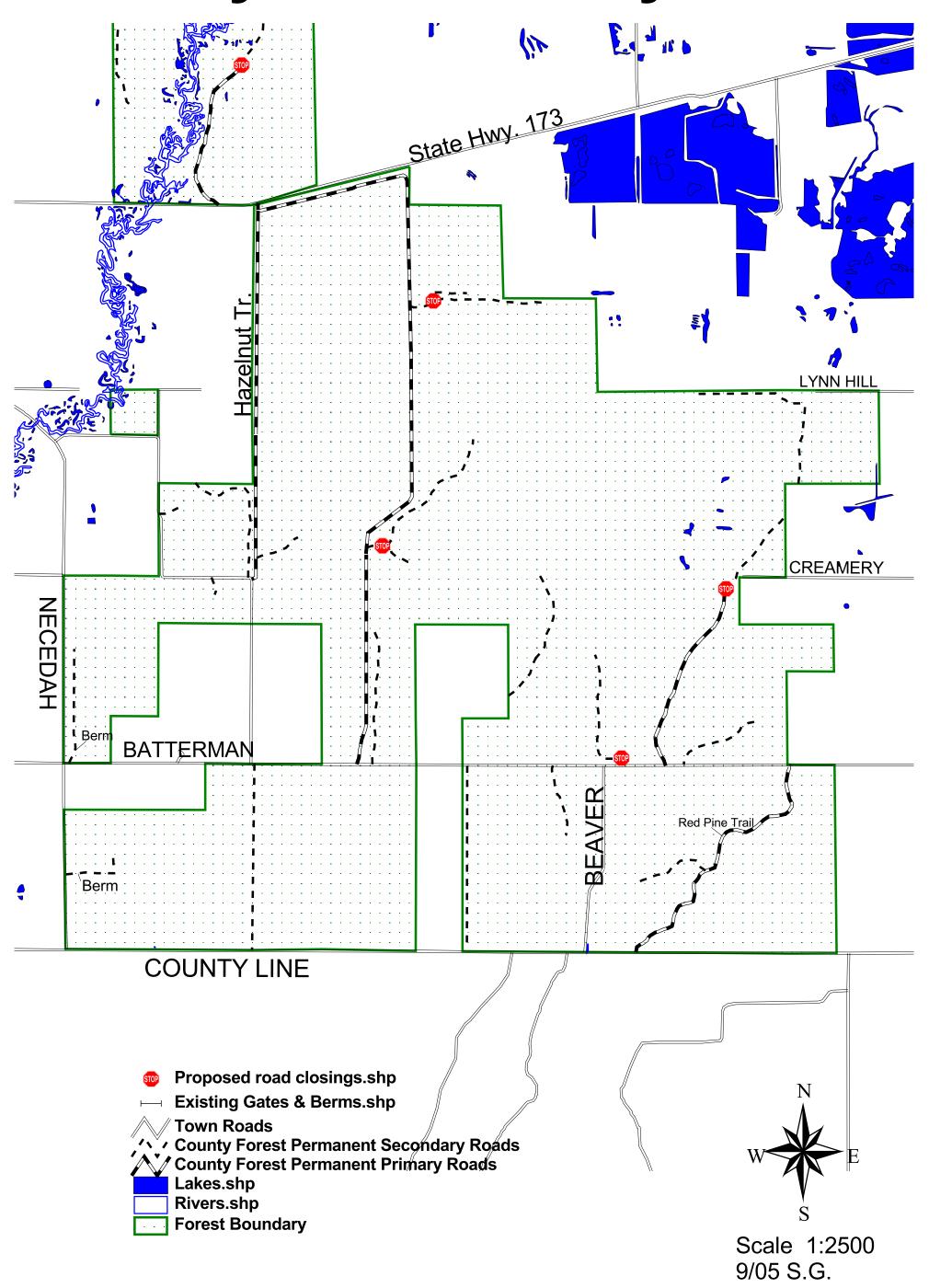
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Seneca Block Primary & Secondary Roads



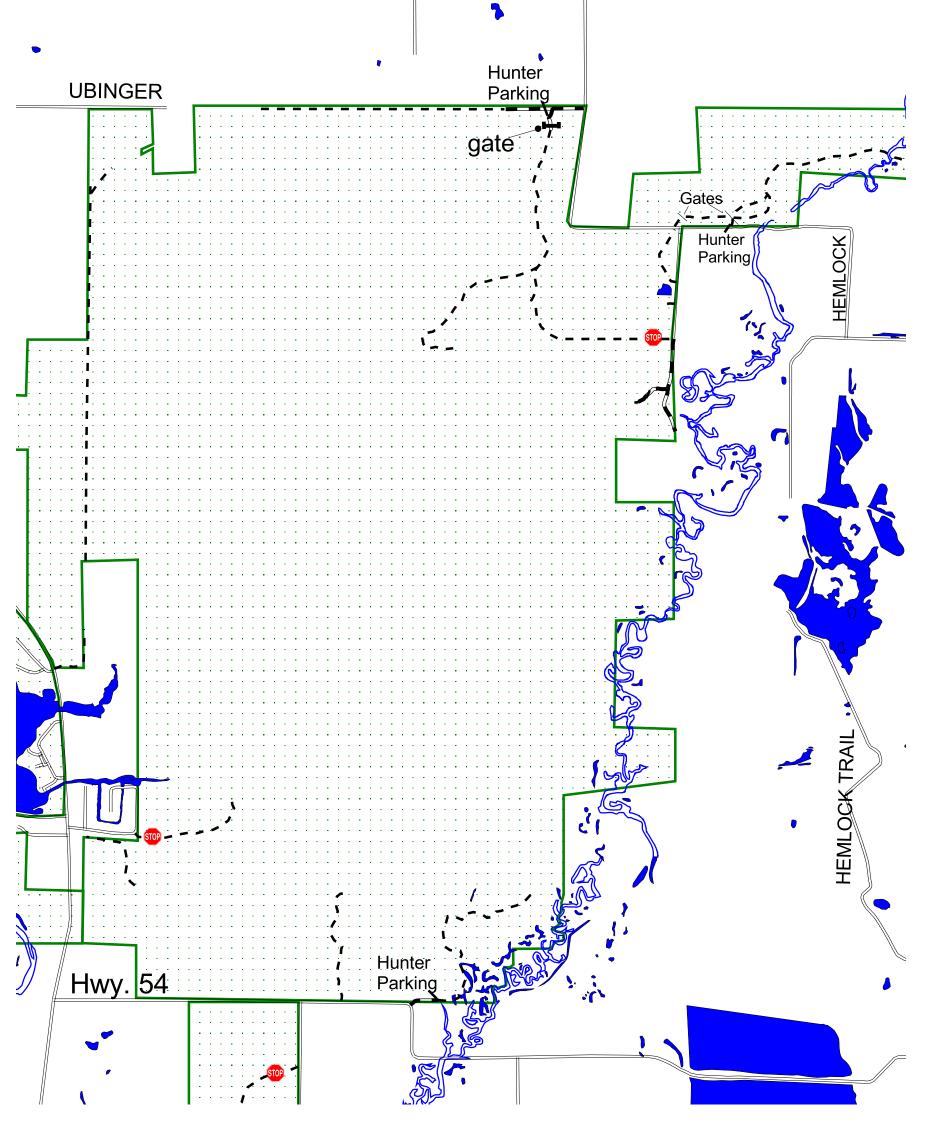
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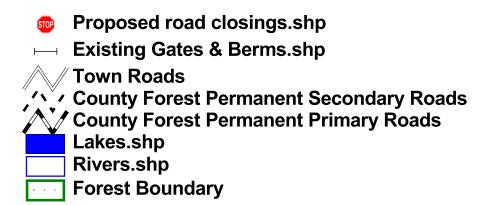
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Owl Creek Block Primary & Secondary Roads



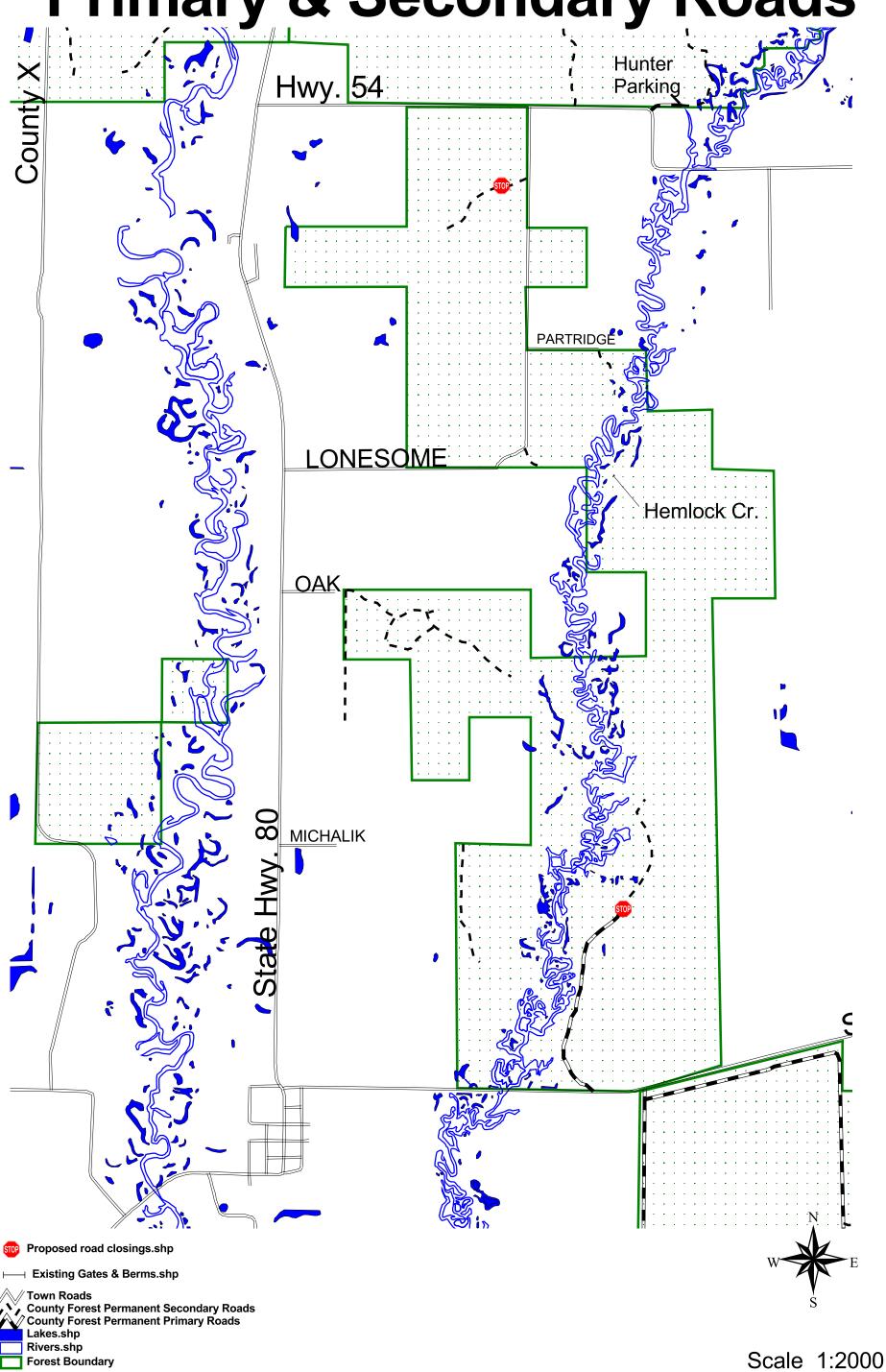




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900.7.4 Hemlock Creek Block roads

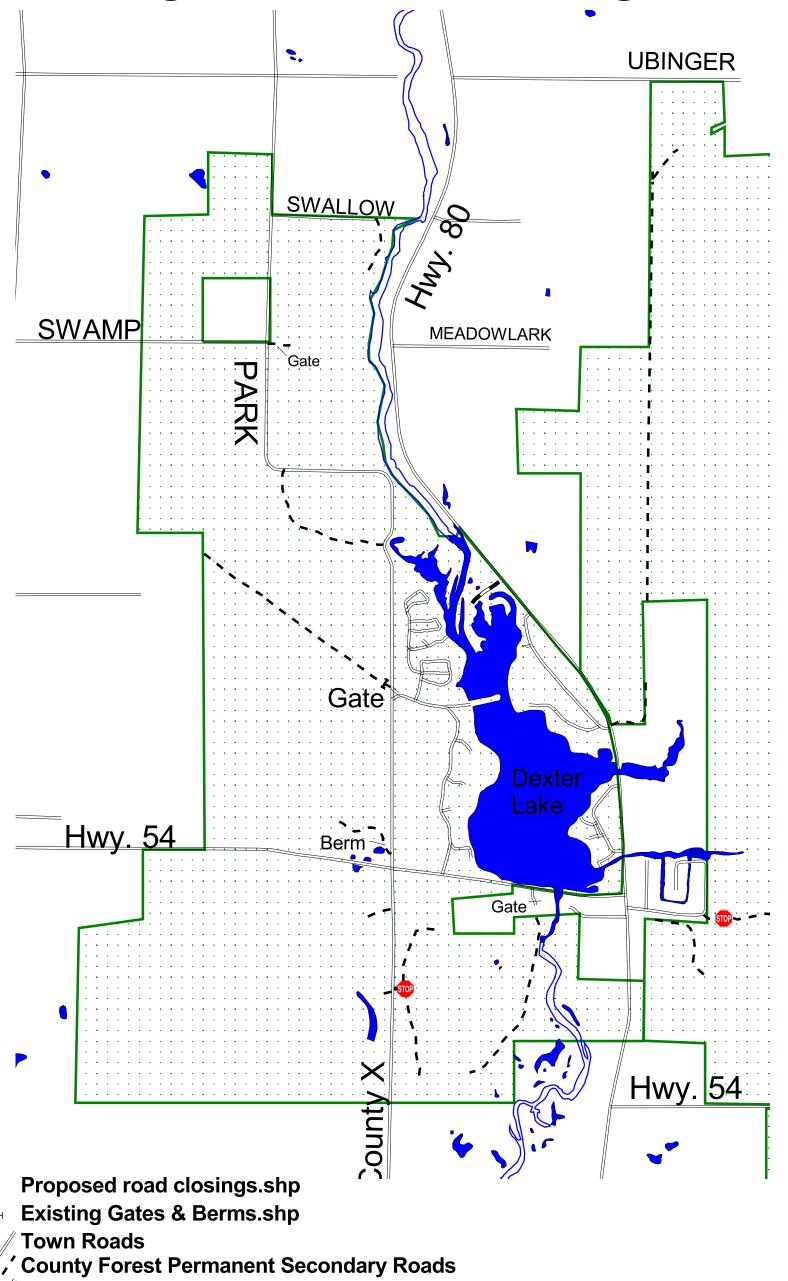
Hemlock Creek Block Primary & Secondary Roads



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900.7.5 Dexter Block roads

Dexter Block Primary & Secondary Roads



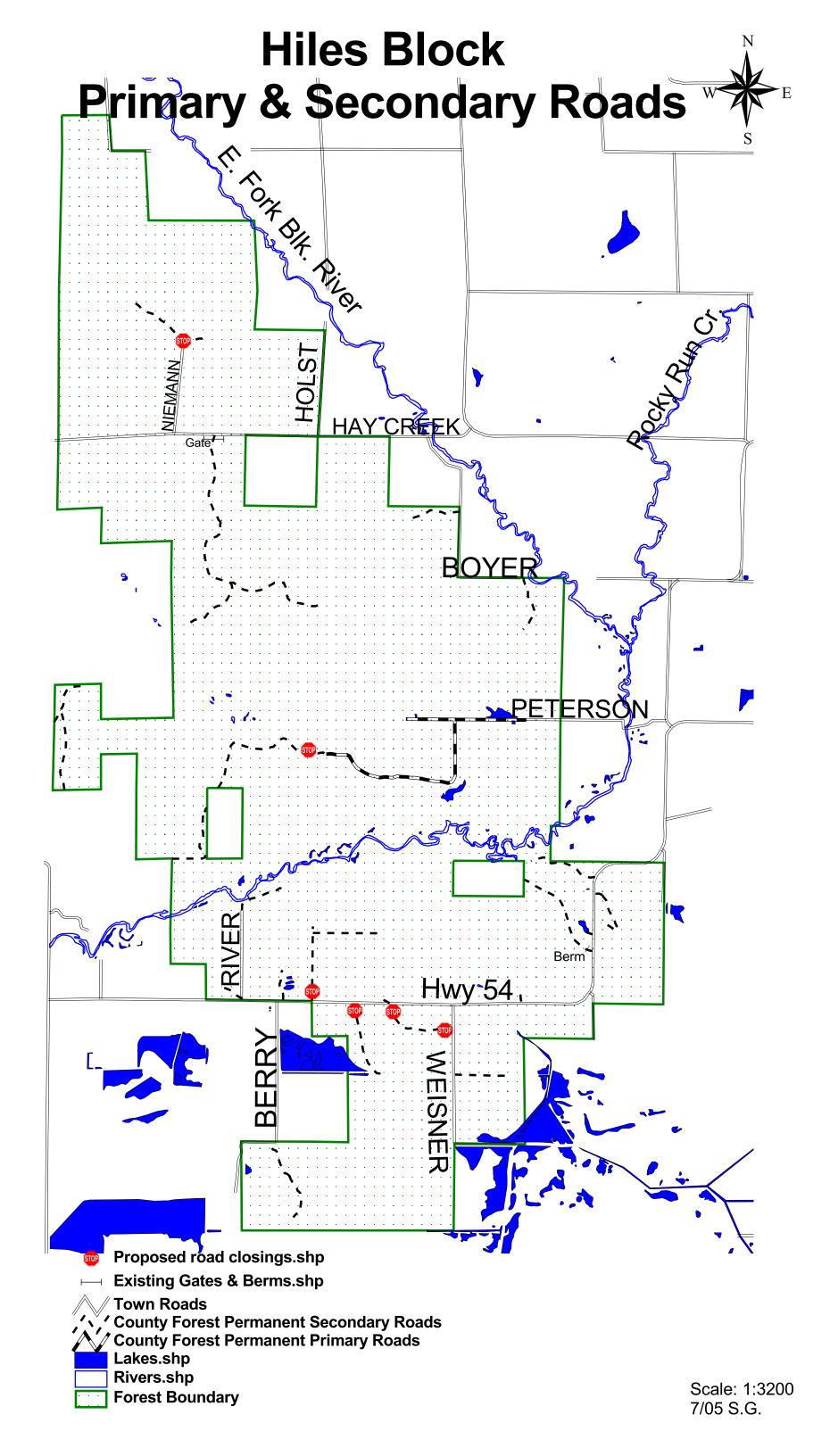
County Forest Permanent Primary Roads

Lakes.shp Rivers.shp

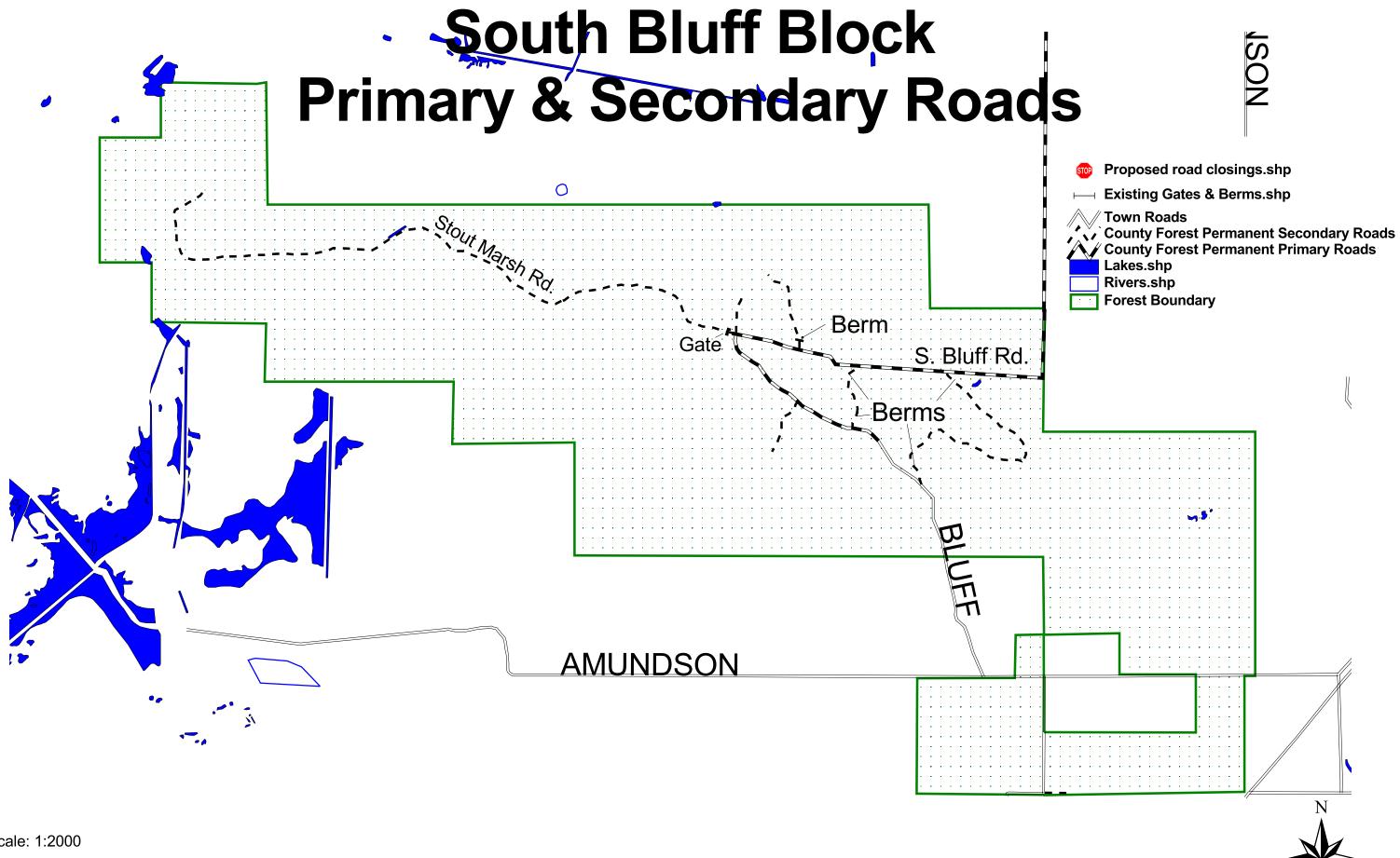
Forest Boundary

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900.7.6 Hiles Block roads



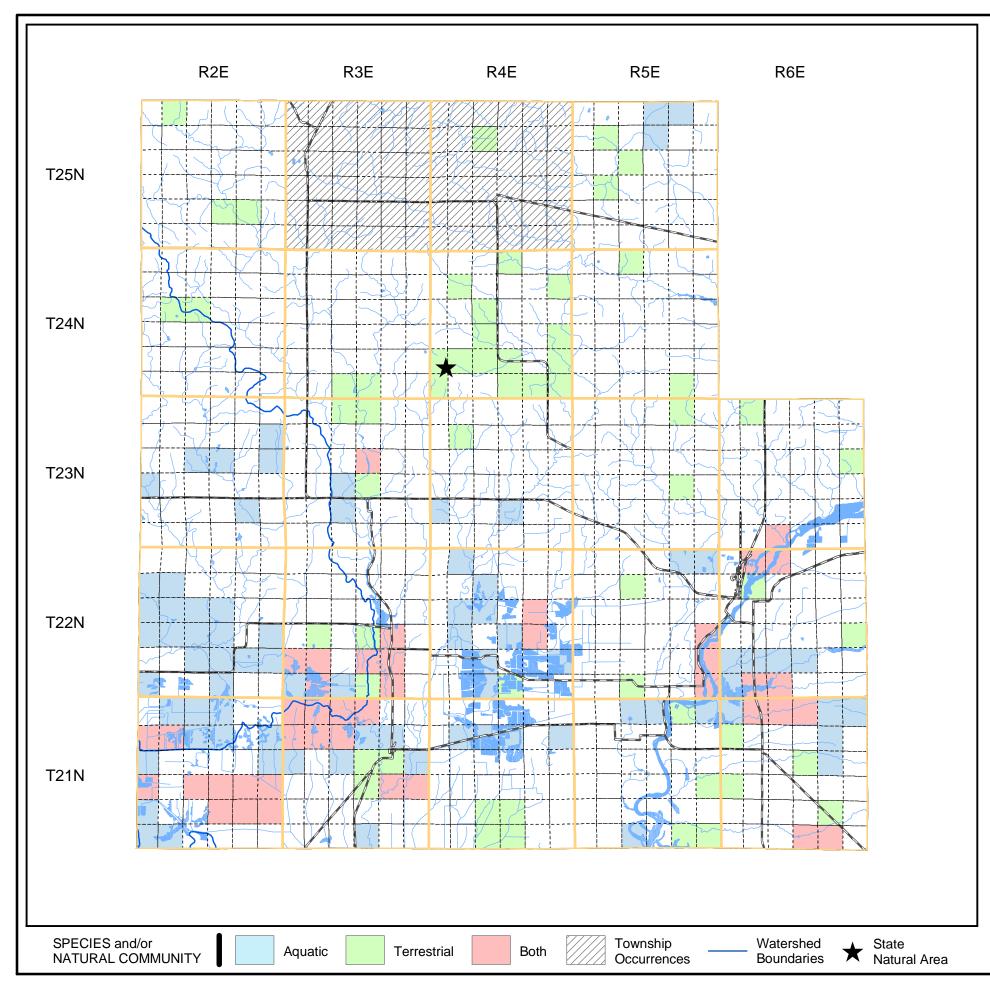
900.7.7 South Bluff Block roads



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900.8 GENERAL ENDANGERED RESOURCE LISTING AND MAP FOR WOOD COUNTY (NHI information)



Wood County

AQUATIC OCCURRENCES

Animal

Osprey, Pandion haliaetus, 1992
Bullifrog, Rana catesbelana, 1998
Bald Eagle, Haliaeetus leucocephalus, 1992
Black Tern, Childonias niger, 1999
Wood Turtle, Clemmys insculpta, 1992
Redside Dace, Clinostomus elongatus, 1927
Least Bittern, Ixobrychus exilis, 1999
Redfin Shiner, Lythrurus umbratilis, 1973
A Tiger Beetle, Cicindela macra, 1965
Trumpeter Swan, Cygnus buccinator, 1999
An Elmid Beetle, Microcylloepus pusillus, 1991
American Bittern, Botaurus lentiginosus, 2003
Aurora Damselfly, Chromagrion conditum, 1998
Red-necked Grebe, Podiceps grisegena, 1999
Blanding's Turtle, Emydoidea blandingii, 1998
Ebony Bog Haunter, Williamsonia lietcheri, 2004
Ringed Boghaunter, Williamsonia lintneri, 2004
Red-shouldered Hawk, Buteo lineatus, 1998
Prothonotary Warbler, Protonotaria citrea, 2000
Blanchard's Cricket Frog, Acris crepitans blanchardi, 1984
Eastern Massasauga Rattlesnake, Sistrurus catenatus catenatus, 1993

Plants

Bog Fern, Thelypteris simulata, 1997
Swamp-pink, Arethusa bulbosa, 1961
Livid Sedge, Carex livida var. radicaulis, 1961
Grassleaf Rush, Juncus marginatus, 1976
Water-purslane, Didiplis diandra, 1997
Clustered Sedge, Carex cumulata, 1997
Prickly Hornwort, Ceratophyllum echinatum, 1998
Yellow Screwstem, Bartonia virginica, 1998
Crossleaf Milkwort, Polygala cruciata, 1998
Purple Bladderwort, Utricularia purpurea, 1998
White Adder's-mouth, Malaxis monophyllos var. brachypoda, 1883
Showy Lady's-slipper, Cypripedium reginae, 1915
Water-thread Pondweed, Potamogeton diversifolius, 1997
Fanwell's Water-millfoil, Myriophyllum farwellii, 1997
Hidden-fruited Bladderwort, Utricularia geminiscapa, 1998

Natural Communities

Shrub-carr, Shrub-carr, 1981
Alder Thicket, Alder thicket, 1981
Central Poor Fen, Central poor fen, 1997
Floodplain Forest, Floodplain forest, 1997
Northern Wet Forest, Northern wet forest, 1997
Northern Sedge Meadow, Northem sedge meadow, 1981
Tamarack (Poor) Swamp, Tamarack (poor) swamp, 1997
Stream-Fast, Soft, Cold, Stream-fast, soft, cold, 1980
Stream-Slow, Hard, Cold, Stream-slow, hard, cold, 1981

TERRESTRIAL OCCURRENCES

Animal

Barn Owl, Tyto alba, 1979
Karner Blue, Lycaeides melissa samuelis, 1999
Arctic Shrew, Sorex arcticus, 1991
Bird Rookery, Bird rookery, 1980
Frosted Ellin, Callophrys irus, 1996
Woodland Vole, Microtus pinetorum, 1969
A Tiger Beetle, Cicindela patruela huberi, 1999
Dusted Skipper, Arrytonopsis hianna, 1976
Persius Dusky Wing, Erynnis persius, 1993
Sharp-tailed Grouse, Tympanuchus ophasianellus, 1999
Greater Prairie-chicken, Tympanuchus cupido, 1997
Midwestem Fen Buckmoth, Hemileuca sp. 3, 1991
Northern Ringneck Snake, Diadophis punctatus edwardsii, 1990
Little White Tiger Beetle, Cicindela lepida, 1998
Franklin's Ground Squireil, Spermophilus franklinii, 1967
Spotted-winged Grasshopper, Orphulella pelidna, 1998
Western Slender Glass Lizard, Ophisaurus attenuatus, 1974
Migratory Bird Concentration Site, Migratory bird concentration site, 2003

Plants

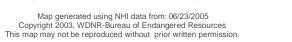
Bushy Aster, Aster dumosus var. strictior, 1964
Dwarf Milkweed, Asclepias ovalifolia, 1997
Deam's Rockcress, Arabis missouriensis var. deamii, 1962
Long-leaved Aster, Aster longifolius, 1982
Pale Green Orchid, Platanthera flava var. herbiola, 1994
Prairie Sagebrush, Artemisia frigida, 1915
Short's Rock-cress, Arabis shortii, 1933
Blunt-lobe Grape-fern, Botrychium oneidense, 1915
Little Goblin Moonwort, Botrychium mormo, 2000

Natural Communities

Sand Prairie, Sand prairie, 1997
Northern Mesic Forest, Northern mesic forest, 1993
Southern Mesic Forest, Southern mesic forest, 1981
Northern Dry-mesic Forest, Northern dry-mesic forest, 1992
Southern Dry-mesic Forest, Southern dry-mesic forest, 1997



This map represents the known occurrences of rare species and natural communities that have been recorded in the Wisconsin Natural Heritage Inventory (NHI). Colored sections indicate the presence of one or more occurrences within that section. Hatched townships indicate one or more occurrences reported only at the township level. The date following the names above notes the most recent year the occurrence was recorded in the county.





Natural Heritage Inventory Element Occurrence Numbers within 2-mile Buffer of County Forest Lands

C-1+161- N (O N)	EO	Lastobs	State	Global	State	Fed.	Sen
Scientific Name (Common Name)	Count	Year	Rank	Rank	Status	Status	tive
Acris crepitans blanchardi (Blanchard's Cricket Frog)	4	1984	S1	G5T5	END		
Ammodramus leconteii (Le Conte's Sparrow)	2	2005	S2B	G4	SC/M		
Arethusa bulbosa (Swamp-pink)	3	1961	S3	G4	SC		
Asclepias ovalifolia (Dwarf Milkweed)	4	1997	S3	G5?	THR		
Bartonia paniculata (Twining Screwstem)	1	1998	S1	G5	SC		
Bartonia virginica (Yellow Screwstem)	9	1998	S3	G5	SC		
Botaurus lentiginosus (American Bittern)	2	2003	S3B	G4	SC/M		
Buteo lineatus (Red-shouldered Hawk)	4	2004	S3S4B	G5	THR		
State Listed insect (specific species info. withheld)	1	1996	S1	G3	THR		S
Carex livida var. radicaulis (Livid Sedge)	1	1961	S2	G5T5	SC		
Central poor fen (Central Poor Fen)	3	1997	S3	G3G4	NA		
Central sands pine-oak forest (Central Sands Pine-Oak Forest)	1	1997	S3	G3	NA		
Ceratophyllum echinatum (Prickly Hornwort)	2	1998	S2	G4?	SC		
Special Concern Bird (Specific species info. withheld)	4	1999	S3B	G4:	SC/M		S
				G4 G4			3
Cicindela lepida (Little White Tiger Beetle)	2	1998	S2S3		SC/N		
Cicindela macra (A Tiger Beetle)	1	1965	S2	G5	SC/N		
Cicindela patruela huberi (A Tiger Beetle)	5	1999	S3	G3T2	SC/N		_
State listed reptile (Specific species info. withheld)	1	1992	S3	G4	THR		S
Clinostomus elongatus (Redside Dace)	1	1927	S3	G4	SC/N		
Cygnus buccinator (Trumpeter Swan)	4	1999	S1B	G4	END		
Diadophis punctatus edwardsii (Northern Ringneck Snake)	1	1990	S3?	G5T5	SC/H		
Didiplis diandra (Water-purslane)	2	1997	S1?	G5	SC		
Emydoidea blandingii (Blanding's Turtle)	4	1998	S3	G4	THR		
Erynnis persius (Persius Dusky Wing)	2	1993	S2	G5	SC/N		
Floodplain forest (Floodplain Forest)	5	1997	S3	G3?	NA		
Haliaeetus leucocephalus (Bald Eagle)	5	2002	S3B	G4	SC/FL	LT, PD	
Hemidactylium scutatum (Four-toed Salamander)	2	1998	S3	G5	SC/H		
Hemileuca sp. 3 (Midwestern Fen Buckmoth)	1	1996	S3	G3G4Q	SC/N		
Ixobrychus exilis (Least Bittern)	2	1999	S3B	G5	SC/M		
Juncus marginatus (Grassleaf Rush)	2	1976	S2	G5	SC		
Lycaeides melissa samuelis (Karner Blue)	13	1998	S3	G5T2	SC/FL	LE	
Lythrurus umbratilis (Redfin Shiner)	4	1973	S3	G5	THR		
Species Concentration site (Specific species info. withheld)	1	2003	SU	GNR	SC		S
Myriophyllum farwellii (Farwell's Water-milfoil)	3	1997	S3	G5	SC		
Northern dry-mesic forest (Northern Dry-mesic Forest)	3	1980	S3	G4	NA		
Northern sedge meadow (Northern Sedge Meadow)	5	1981	S3	G4	NA		
Northern wet forest (Northern Wet Forest)	6	1997	S4	G4	NA		
Orphulella pelidna (Spotted-winged Grasshopper)	1	1998	S2S3	G5	SC/N		
Platanthera flava var. herbiola (Pale Green Orchid)	1	1994	\$233	G4T4Q	THR		
Podiceps grisegena (Red-necked Grebe)	1	1999	S1B	G414Q	END		
Polygala cruciata (Crossleaf Milkwort)	5	1999	\$3 \$3	G5	SC		
Potamogeton confervoides (Algae-like Pondweed)	1	1975	S2	G5 G4	THR		1
Potamogeton confervoides (Aigae-like Pondweed) Potamogeton diversifolius (Water-thread Pondweed)	5	1975	S2	G5	SC		
Protonotaria citrea (Prothonotary Warbler)	1	2000	S3B	G5	SC/M		
Rana catesbeiana (Bullfrog)	2	1998	S3	G5	SC/H		
Sand prairie (Sand Prairie)	2	1997	S2	GNR	NA		
Scirpus torreyi (Torrey's Bulrush)	1	1998	S2	G5?	SC		
Shrub-carr (Shrub-carr)	1	1981	S4	G5	NA		
State Listed reptile (Specific species info. withheld)	2	1967	S2	G3G4T3T4	END	С	S
Sorex arcticus (Arctic Shrew)	2	1998	S2	G5	SC/N		
Southern dry-mesic forest (Southern Dry-mesic Forest)	1	1997	S3	G4	NA		
Southern sedge meadow (Southern Sedge Meadow)	1	1981	S3	G4?	NA		
Strophostyles leiosperma (Small-flowered Woolly Bean)	1	1997	S2	G5	SC		\bot
Tamarack (poor) swamp (Tamarack (Poor) Swamp)	1	1997	S3	G4	NA		
Thelypteris simulata (Bog Fern)	3	1997	S3	G4G5	SC		
Tympanuchus phasianellus (Sharp-tailed Grouse)	1	1999	S2B	G4	SC/M		
Tyto alba (Barn Owl)	1	1979	S1B	G5	END		
Utricularia geminiscapa (Hidden-fruited Bladderwort)	3	1998	S3	G4G5	SC		
Utricularia germinscapa (Maderi-Harted Bladder Wort) Utricularia purpurea (Purple Bladderwort)	1	1998	S3	G5	SC		
Williamsonia fletcheri (Ebony Bog Haunter)	1	2004	S3S4	G3G4	SC/N		
	1	2004	S2S3	G3G4 G3	SC/N		
Williamsonia lintneri (Ringed Boghaunter)							1

The Wisconsin Natural Heritage Working List KEY

The Wisconsin Natural Heritage Inventory (NHI) program is part of an international network of programs that focus on rare plants and animals, natural communities, and other rare elements of nature. The defining and unifying characteristic of this network is the use of a standard methodology for collecting, processing, and managing data on the occurrences of natural biological diversity. A key feature of the NHI methodology is a system for assessing rarity of the various elements at the global (G) and state (S) level. These ranks have proven useful in directing action toward the elements most in need of conservation. The methodology was developed by <a href="https://doi.org/10.1016/j.com/nature/en/19.1016/j.com/nature

The Wisconsin NHI Working List records which elements are tracked in the state. The working list is revised as species' populations change (increase or decrease) and as our knowledge about their status and distribution in Wisconsin increase. The Working List presented here was revised January 2004. Definitions of ranks are provided below, along with definitions for other abbreviations used in the Working List.

- ELCODE: Unique 10 digit code for each element (plant, animal, or natural community).
- Scientific Name: Scientific name used by the Wisconsin Natural Heritage Inventory Program.
- Common Name: Standard, contrived, or agreed upon common names.
- Global Rank: Global element rank.
- State Rank: State element rank.
- US Status: Federal protection status designated by the Office of Endangered Species,
 U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service indicating the biological status of a species in the United
 States. LE = listed endangered; LT = listed threatened; LE-LT = listed endangered in part
 of its range, threatened in another part; XN = nonessential experimental population(s) in
 part of its range; LT,PD = listed threatened, proposed for de-listing; C = candidate for
 future listing.
- **WI Status:** Protection category designated by the Wisconsin DNR. END = endangered; THR = threatened; SC = Special Concern.

WDNR and federal regulations regarding Special Concern species range from full protection to no protection. The current categories and their respective level of protection are SC/P = fully protected; SC/N = no laws regulating use, possession, or harvesting; SC/H = take regulated by establishment of open closed seasons; SC/FL = federally protected as endangered or threatened, but not so designated by WDNR; SC/M = fully protected by federal and state laws under the Migratory Bird Act.

Special Concern species are those species about which some problem of abundance or distribution is suspected but not yet proved. The main purpose of this category is to focus attention on certain species before they become threatened or endangered.

Global Element Ranks

• **G1** = Critically imperiled globally because of extreme rarity (5 or fewer occurrences or very few remaining individuals or acres) or because of some factor(s) making it especially vulnerable to extinction.

- **G2** = Imperiled globally because of rarity (6 to 20 occurrences or few remaining individuals or acres) or because of some factor(s) making it very vulnerable to extinction throughout its range.
- **G3** = Either very rare and local throughout its range or found locally (even abundantly at some of its locations) in a restricted range (e.g., a single state or physiographic region) or because of other factors making it vulnerable to extinction throughout its range; in terms of occurrences, in the range of 21 to 100.
- **G4** = Apparently globally secure, though it may be quite rare in parts of its range, especially at the periphery.
- **G5** = Demonstrably secure globally, though it may be quite rare in parts of its range, especially at the periphery.
- **GH** = Of historical occurrence throughout its range, i.e., formerly part of the established biota, with the expectation that it may be rediscovered.
- GNR = Not ranked. Replaced G? rank and some GU ranks
- GU = Possibly in peril range-wide, but their status is uncertain. More information is needed.
- GX = Believed to be extinct throughout its range (e.g. Passenger pigeon) with virtually no
 likelihood that it will be rediscovered.

Species with a questionable taxonomic assignment are given a "Q" after the global rank.

Subspecies and varieties are given subranks composed of the letter "T" plus a number or letter. The definition of the second character of the subrank parallels that of the full global rank. (Examples: a rare subspecies of a rare species is ranked G1T1; a rare subspecies of a common species is ranked G5T1.)

State Element Ranks

- **S1** = Critically imperiled in Wisconsin because of extreme rarity (5 or fewer occurrences or very few remaining individuals or acres) or because of some factor(s) making it especially vulnerable to extirpation from the state.
- **S2** = Imperiled in Wisconsin because of rarity (6 to 20 occurrences or few remaining individuals or acres) or because of some factor(s) making it very vulnerable to extirpation from the state.
- **S3** = Rare or uncommon in Wisconsin (21 to 100 occurrences).
- **S4** = Apparently secure in Wisconsin, with many occurrences.
- **S5** = Demonstrably secure in Wisconsin and essentially ineradicable under present conditions.
- SA = Accidental (occurring only once or a few times) or casual (occurring more regularly
 although not every year); a few of these species (typically long-distance migrants such as
 some birds and butterflies) may have even bred on one or more of the occasions when
 they were recorded.
- SE = An exotic established in the state; may be native elsewhere in North America.

- SH = Of historical occurrence in Wisconsin, perhaps having not been verified in the past 20 years, and suspected to be still extant. Naturally, an element would become SH without such a 20-year delay if the only known occurrence were destroyed or if it had been extensively and unsuccessfully looked for.
- **SN** = Regularly occurring, usually migratory and typically non-breeding species for which no significant or effective habitat conservation measures can be taken in Wisconsin. This category includes migratory birds and bats that pass through twice a year or, may remain in the winter (or, in a few cases, the summer) along with certain lepidoptera which regularly migrate to Wisconsin where they reproduce, but then completely die out every year with no return migration. Species in this category are so widely and unreliably distributed during migration or in winter that no small set of sites could be set aside with the hope of significantly furthering their conservation.
- **SZ** =Not of significant conservation concern in Wisconsin, invariably because there are no definable occurrences in the state, although the taxon is native and appears regularly in the state. An SZ rank will generally be used for long-distance migrants whose occurrence during their migrations are too irregular (in terms of repeated visitation to the same locations), transitory, and dispersed to be reliably identified, mapped, and protected. Typically, the SZ rank applies to a non-breeding population.
- **SR** = Reported from Wisconsin, but without persuasive documentation which would provide a basis for either accepting or rejecting the report. Some of these are very recent discoveries for which the program hasn't yet received first-hand information; others are old, obscure reports that are hard to dismiss because the habitat is now destroyed.
- SRF =Reported falsely (in error) from Wisconsin but this error is persisting in the literature.
- **SU** = Possibly in peril in the state, but their status is uncertain. More information is needed.
- **SX** = Apparently extirpated from the state.

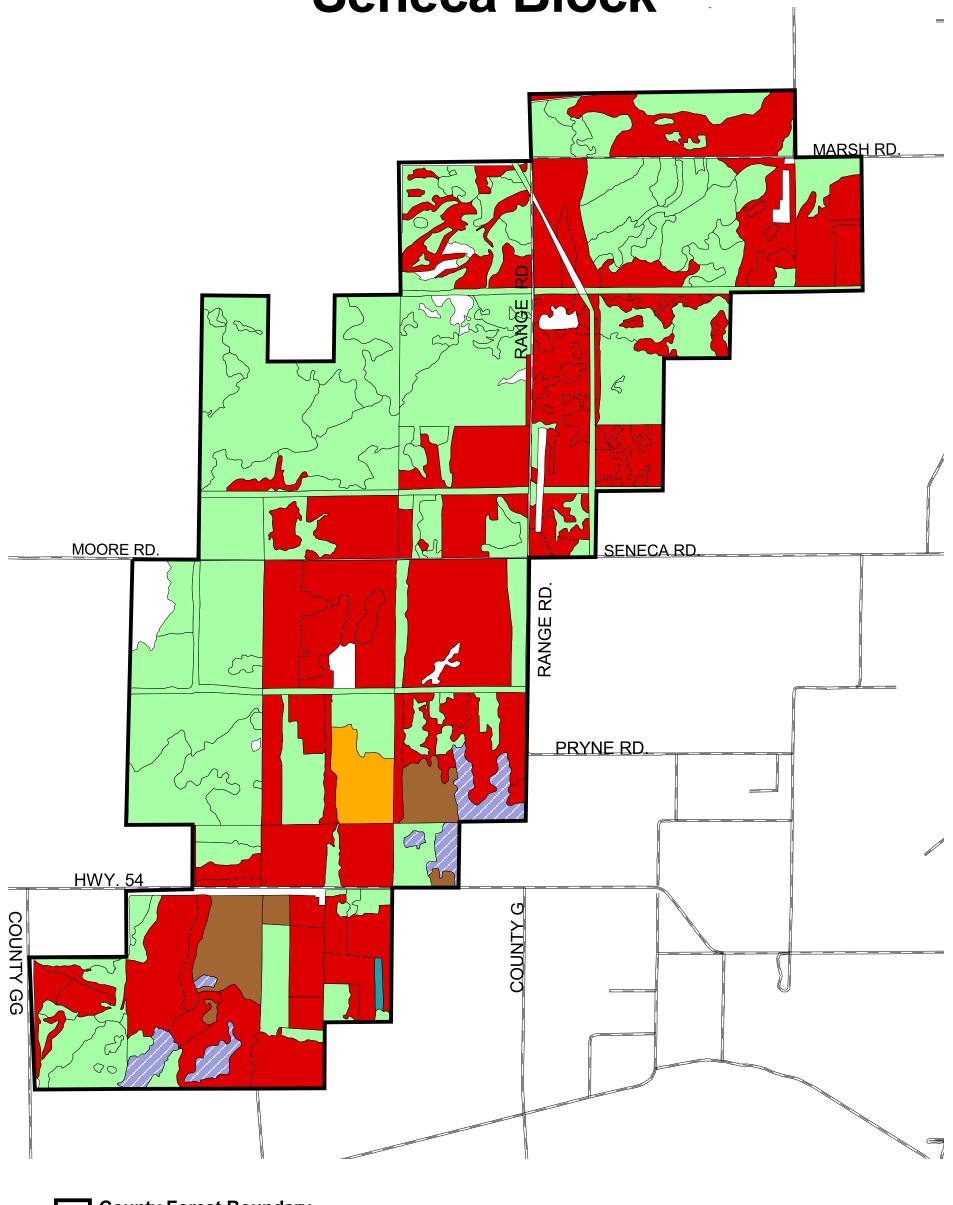
State Ranking of Long-Distance Migrant Animals

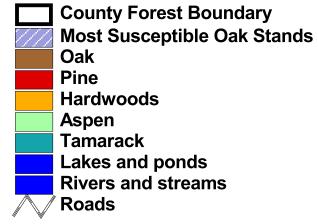
Ranking long distance aerial migrant animals presents special problems relating to the
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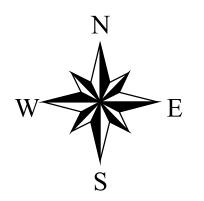
900.9 MAPS OF GYPSY MOTH SUPPRESSION AREAS

County Forest map depicts areas in which suppression actions will be implemented if / when there is a gypsy moth infestation. (See also, Gypsy Moth Management Plan, Section 920.3)

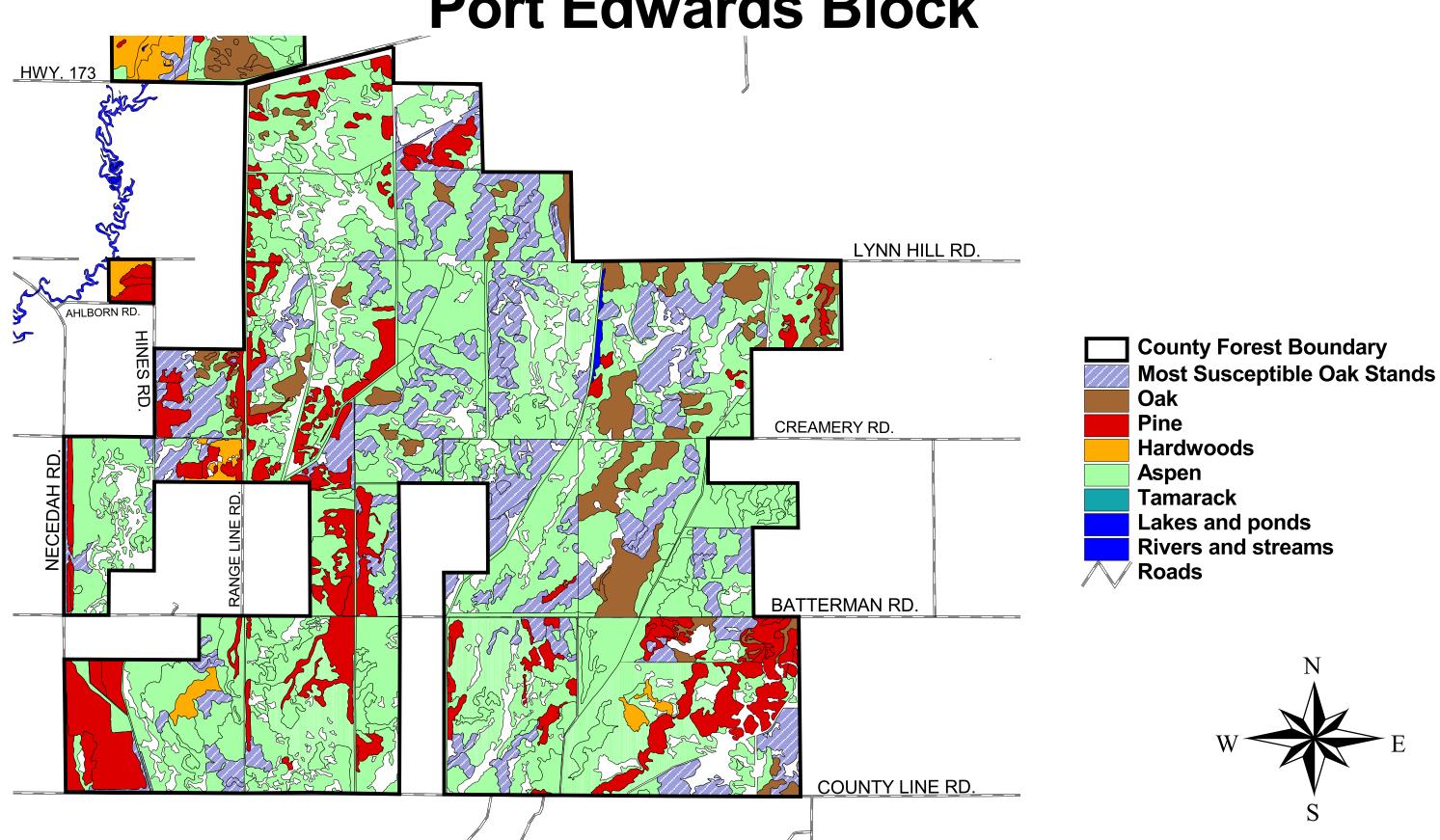
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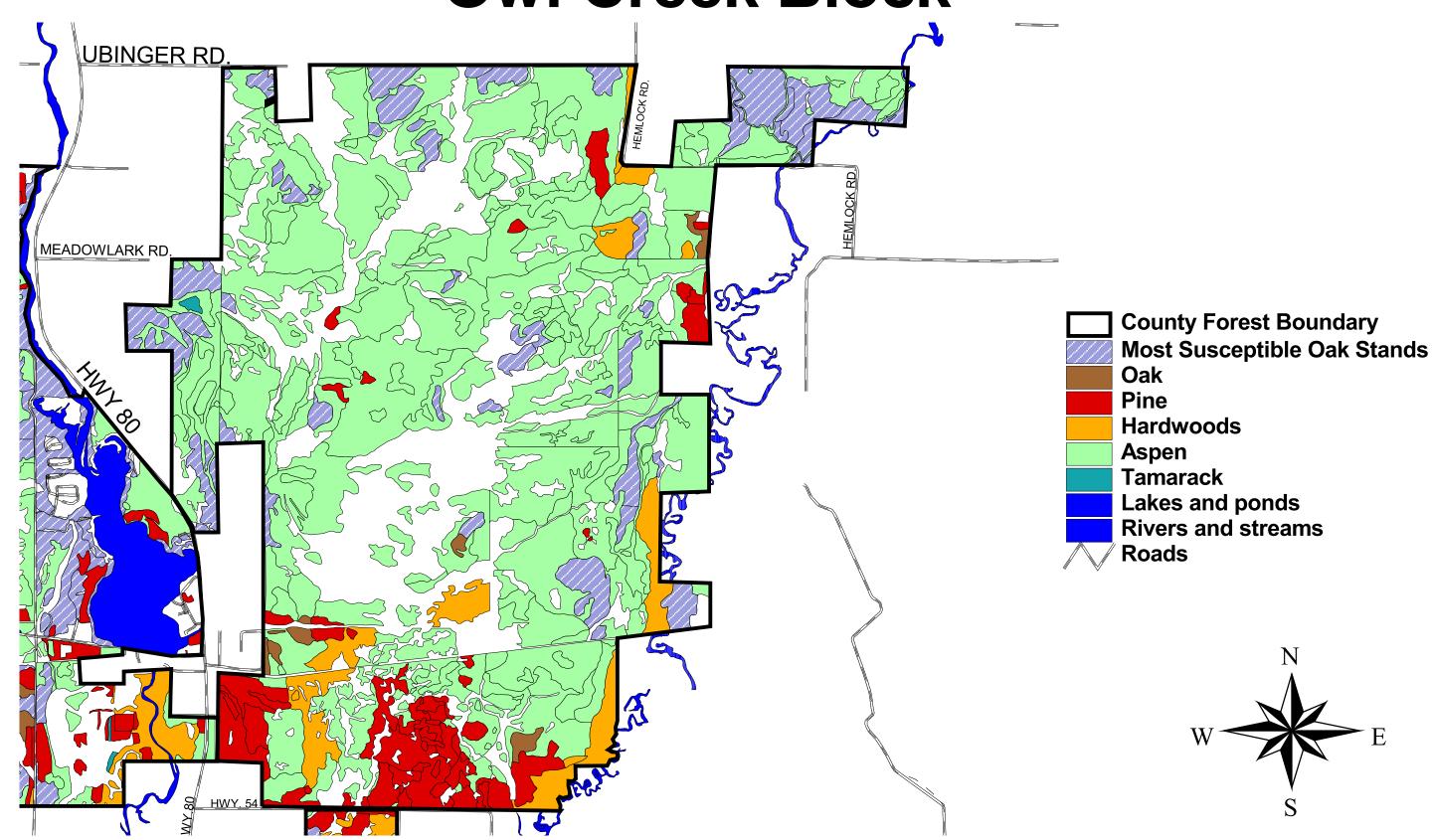




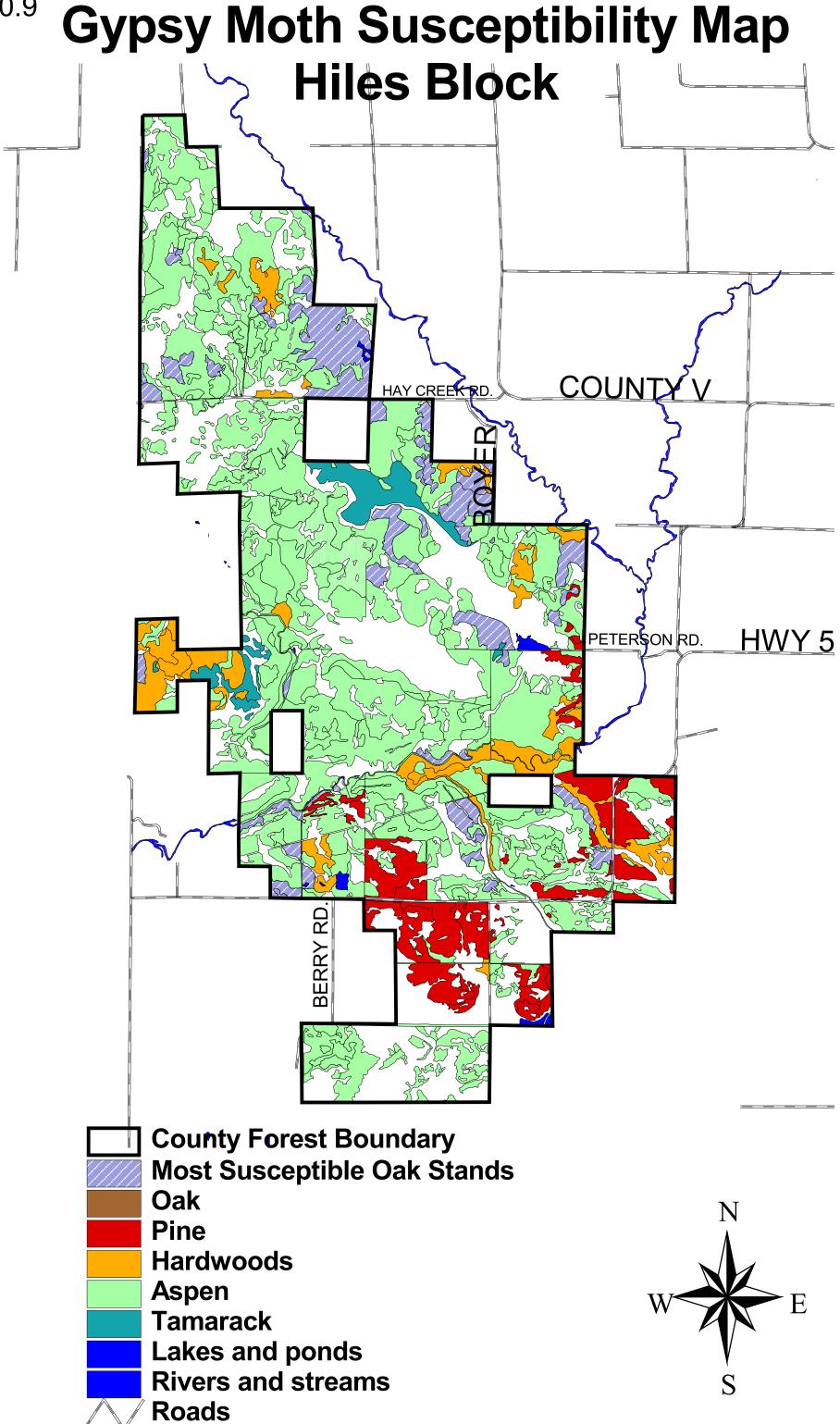
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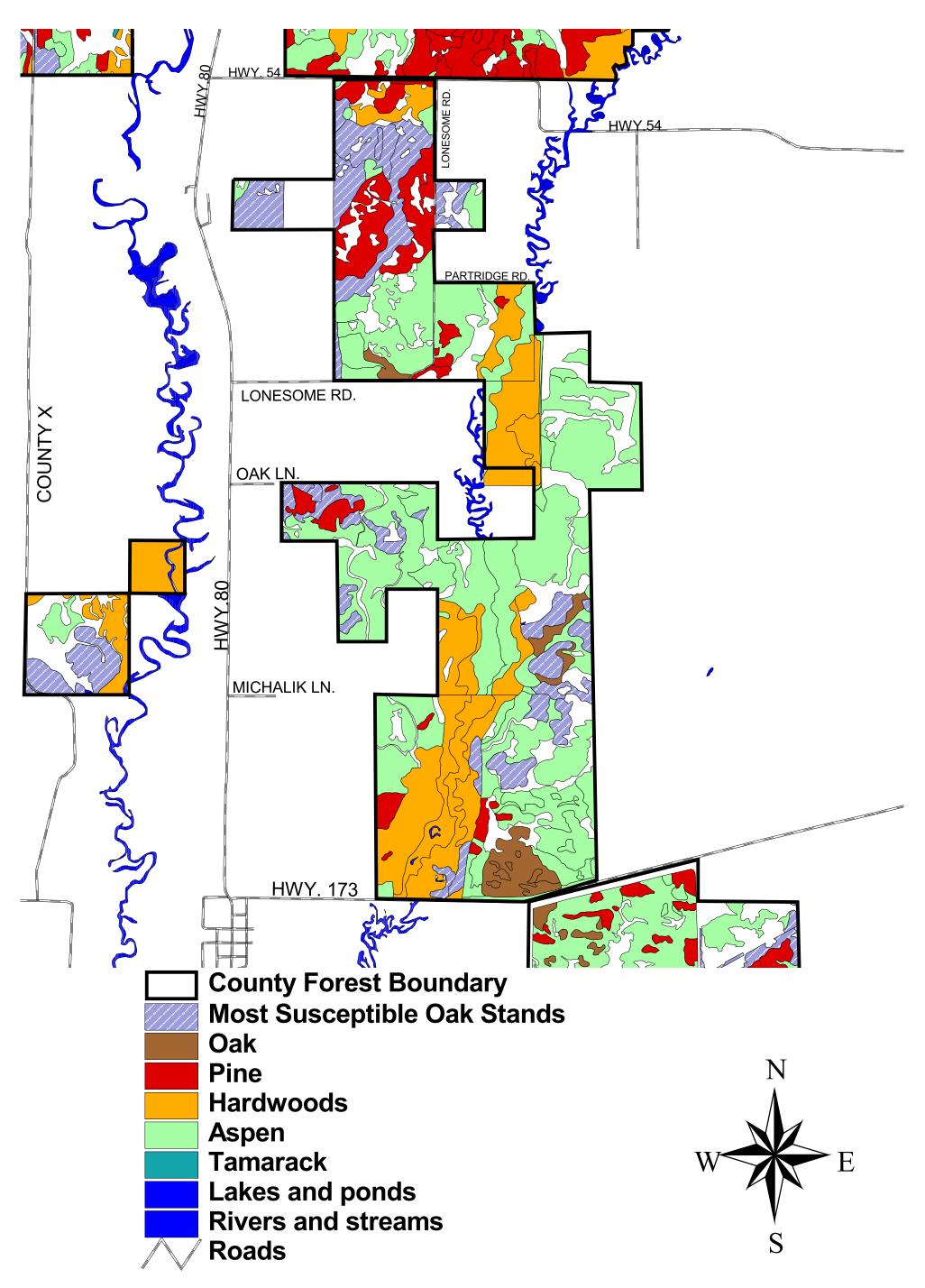
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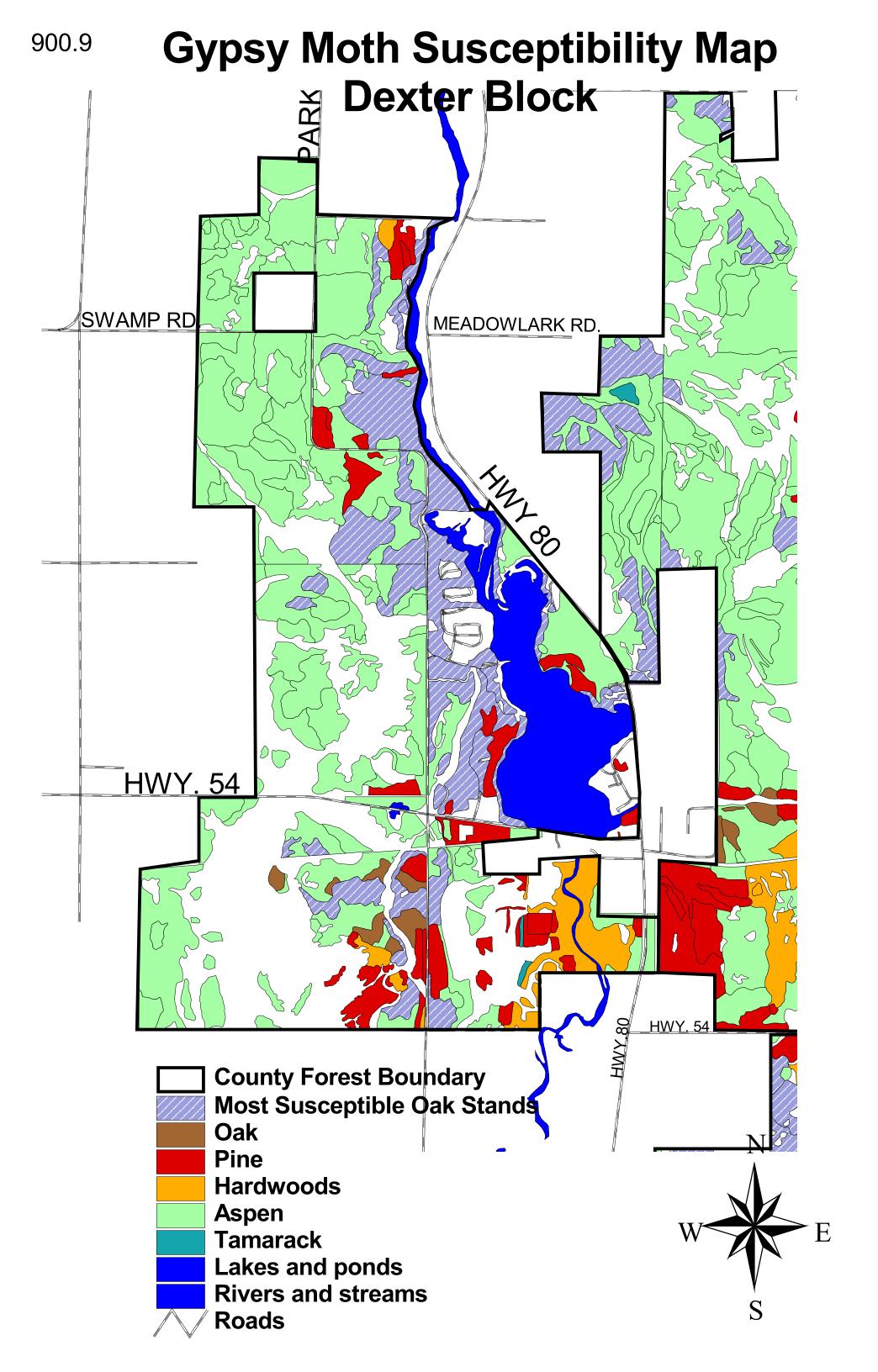


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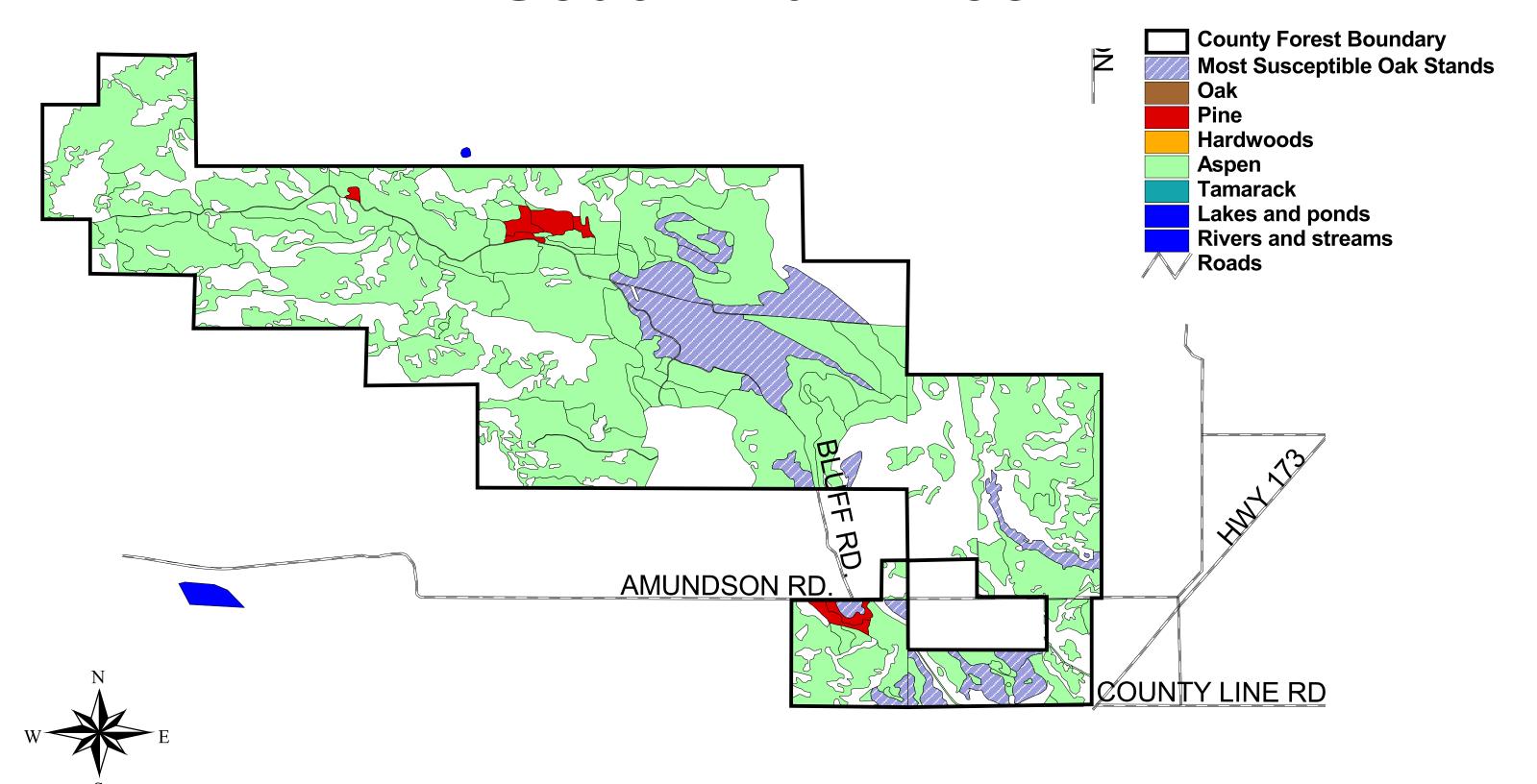


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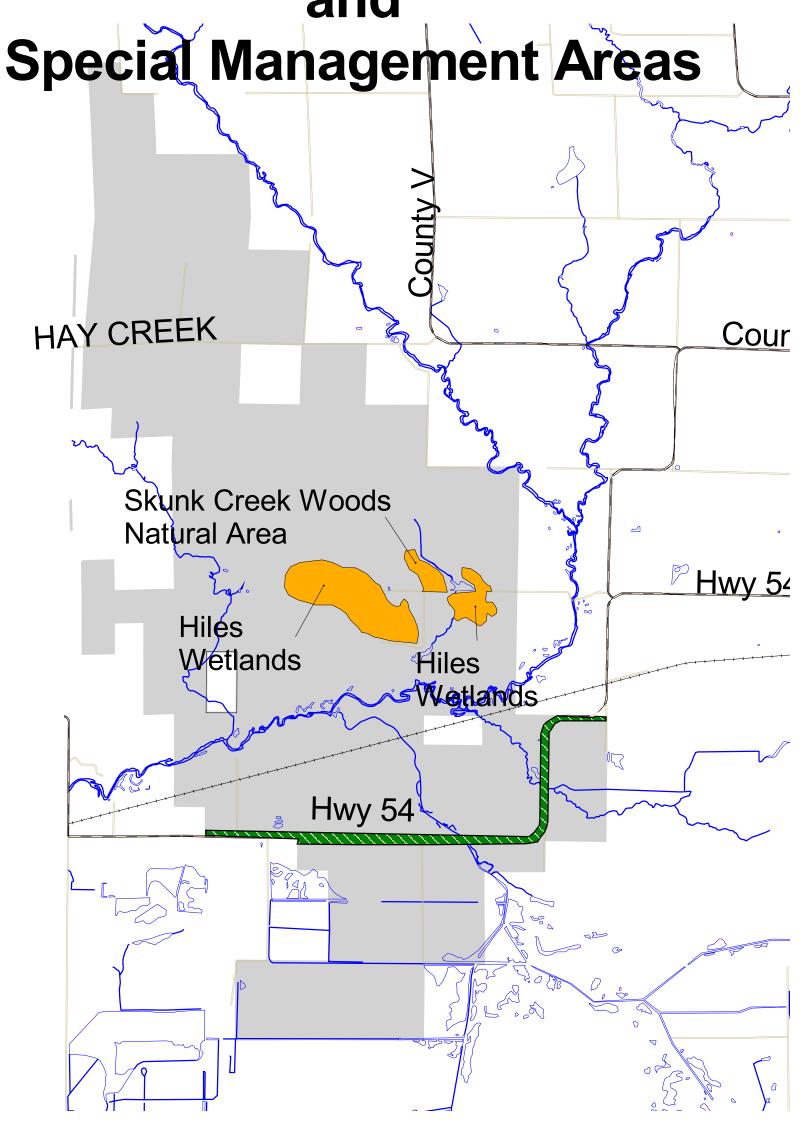
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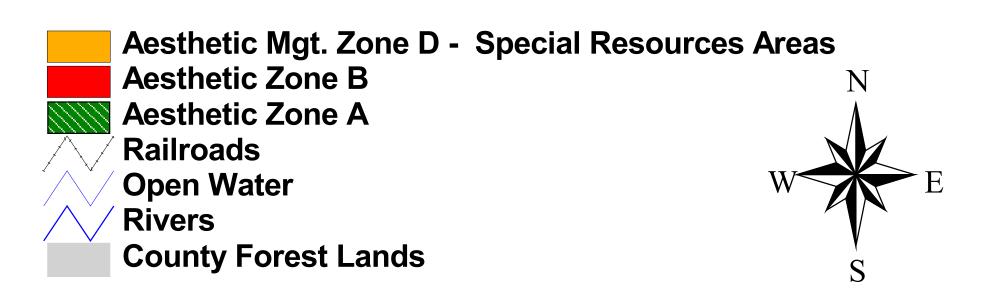


900.10 MAP OF AESTHETIC MANAGEMENT ZONES AND SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREAS

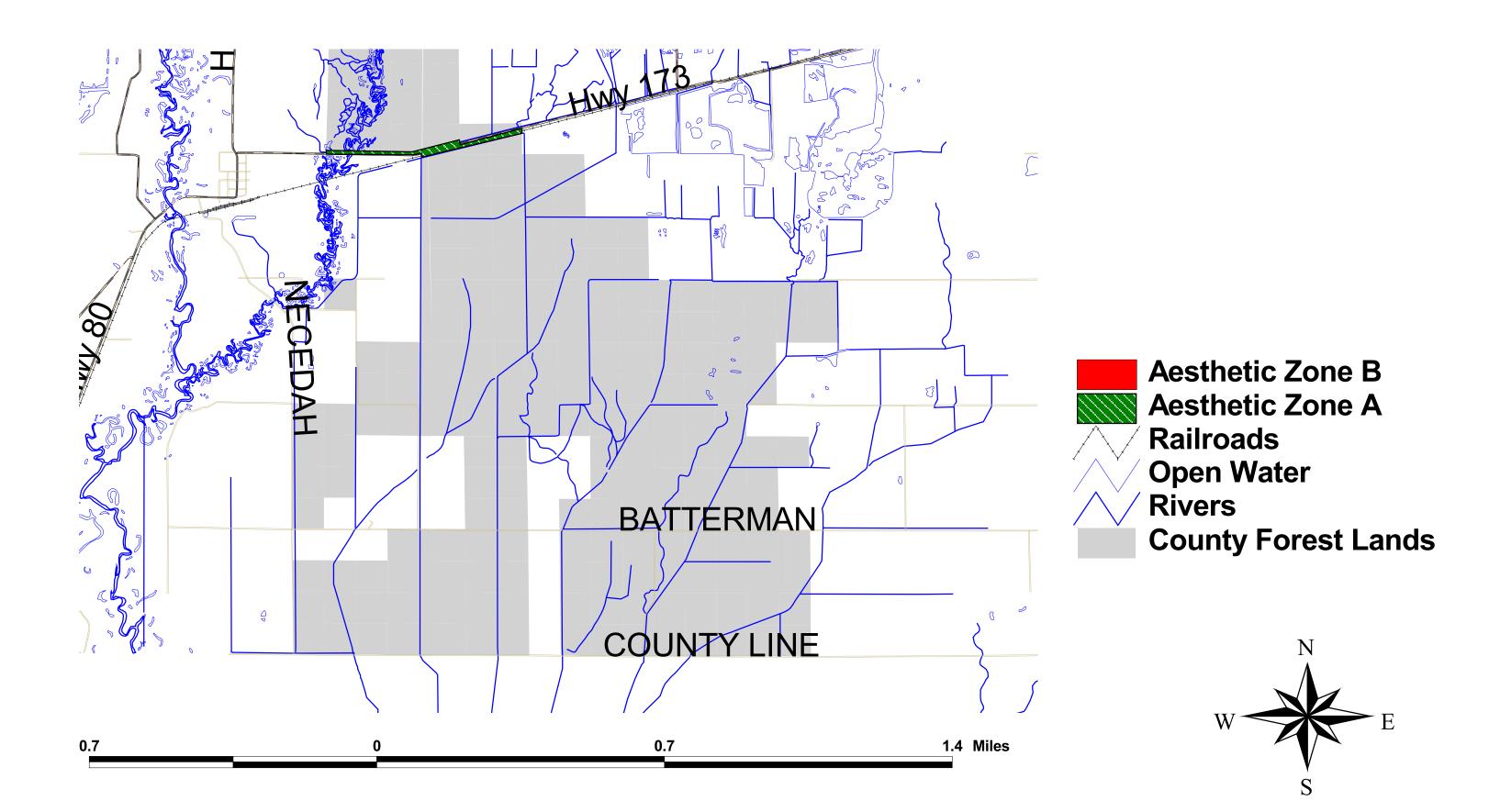
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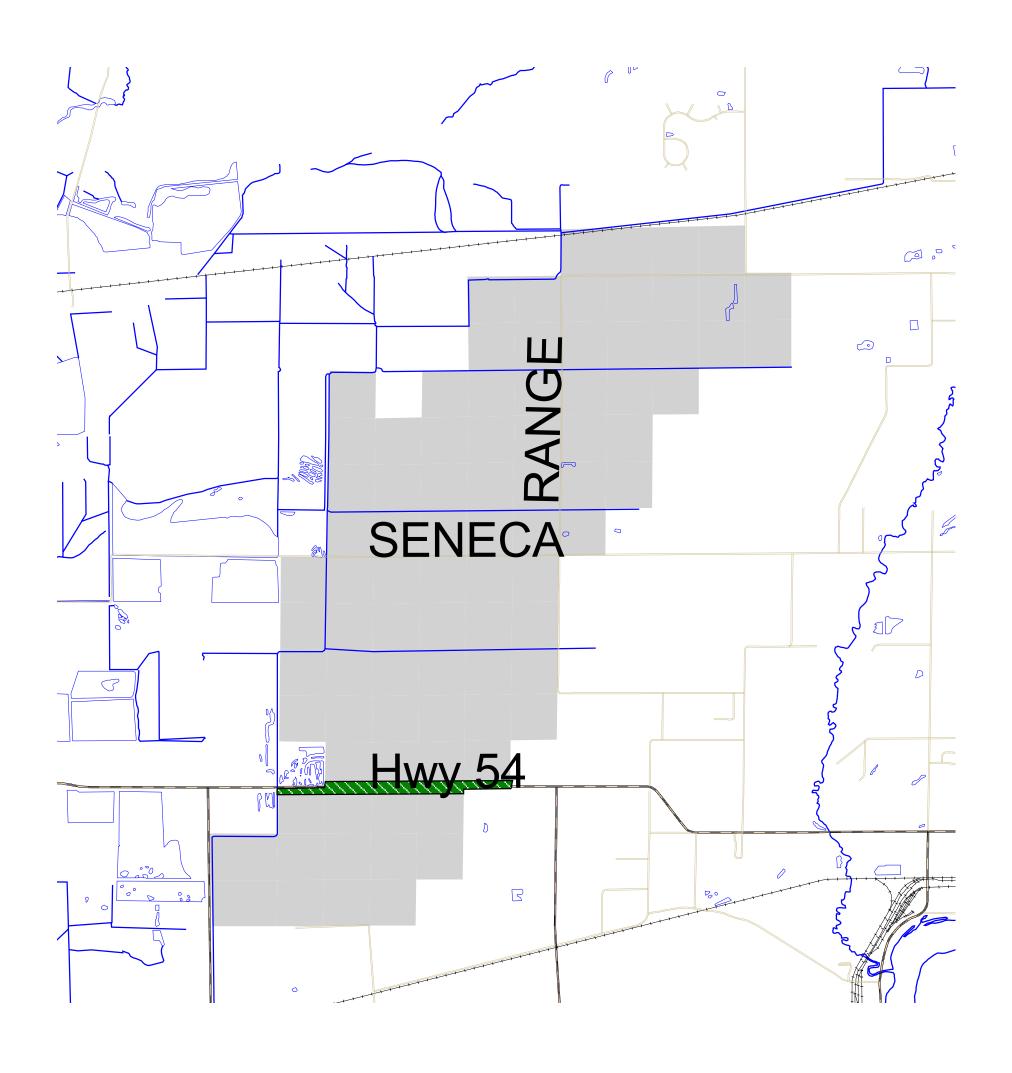




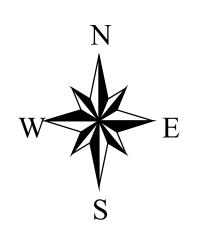
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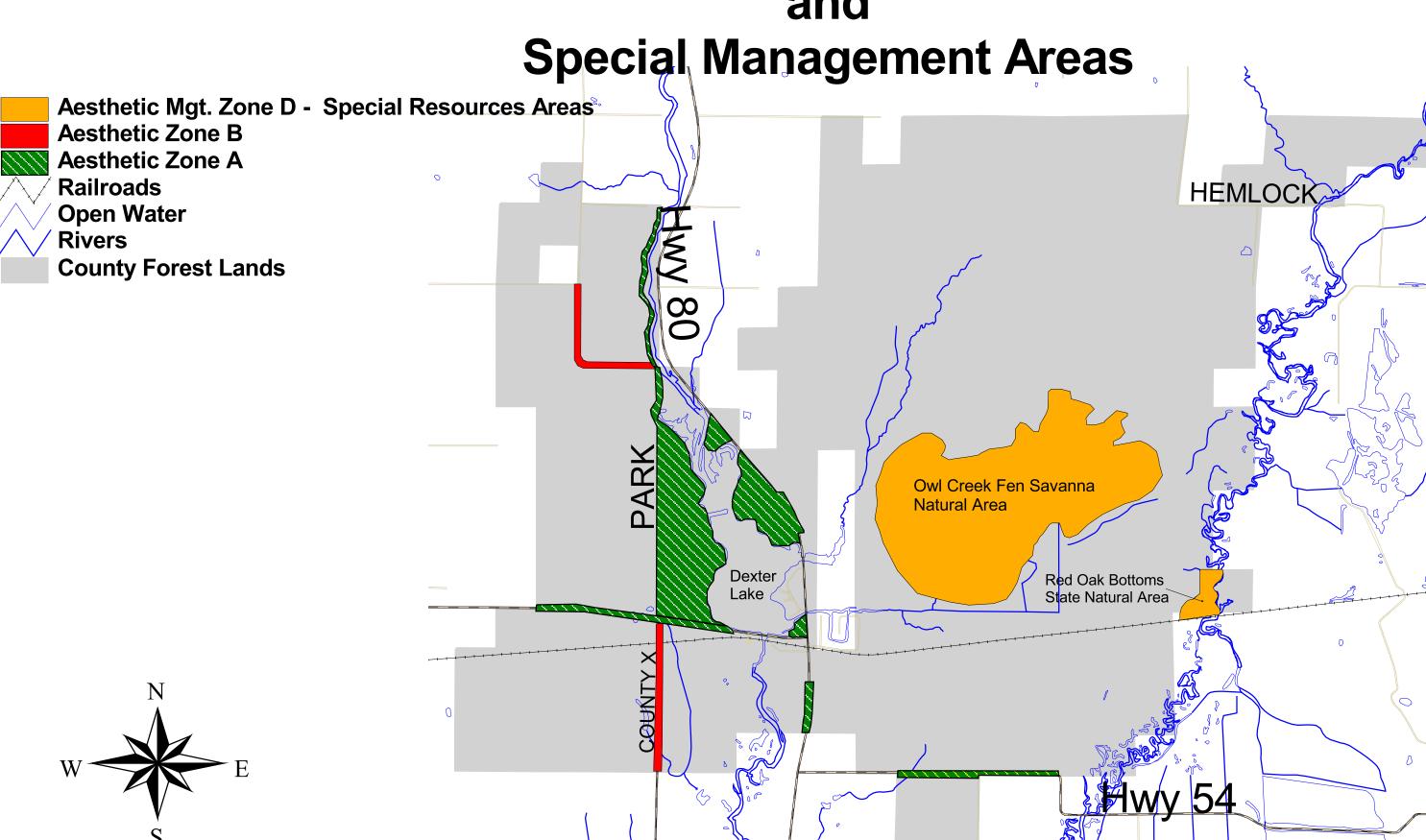
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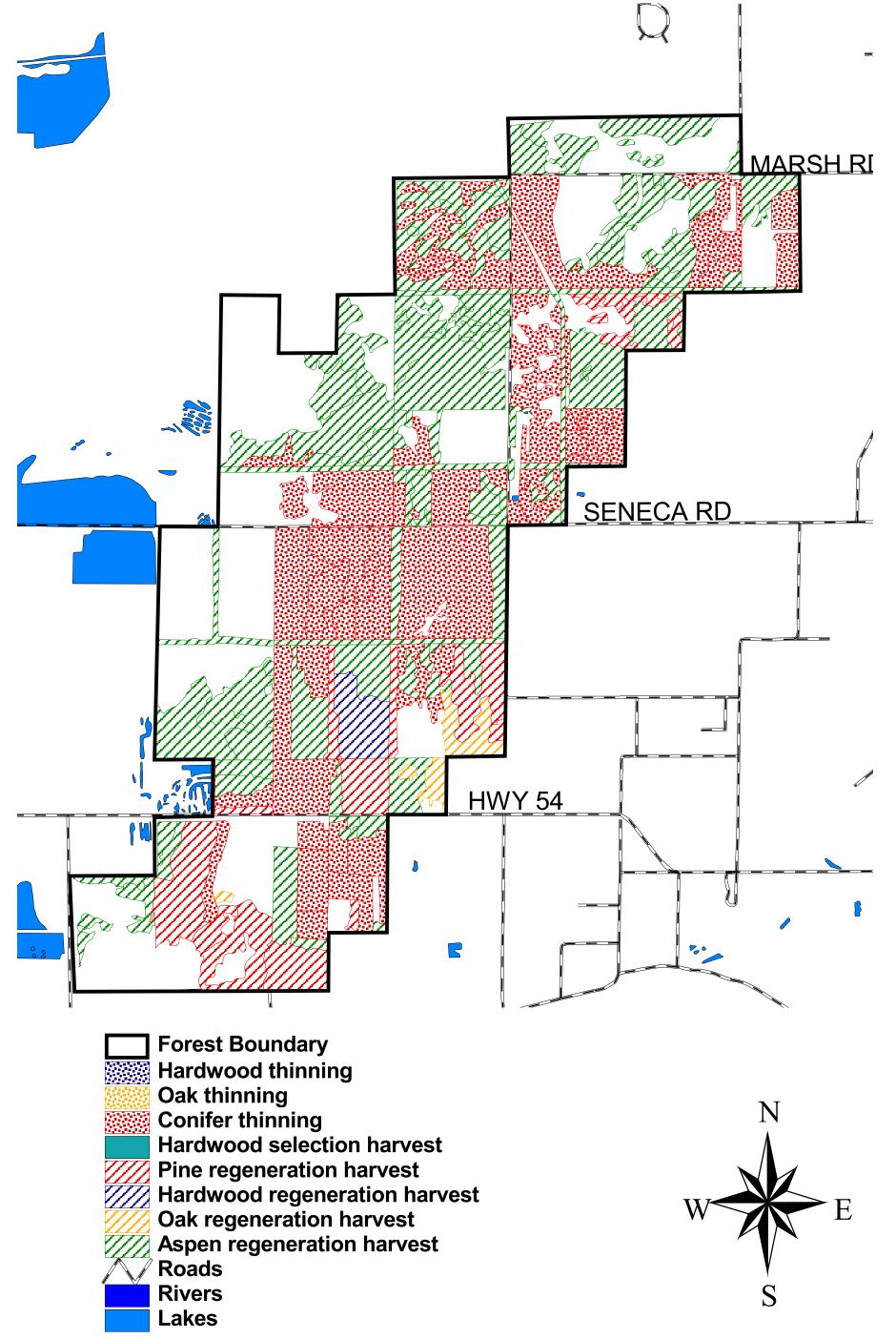
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900.11 MAPS OF PROPOSED HARVEST AREAS

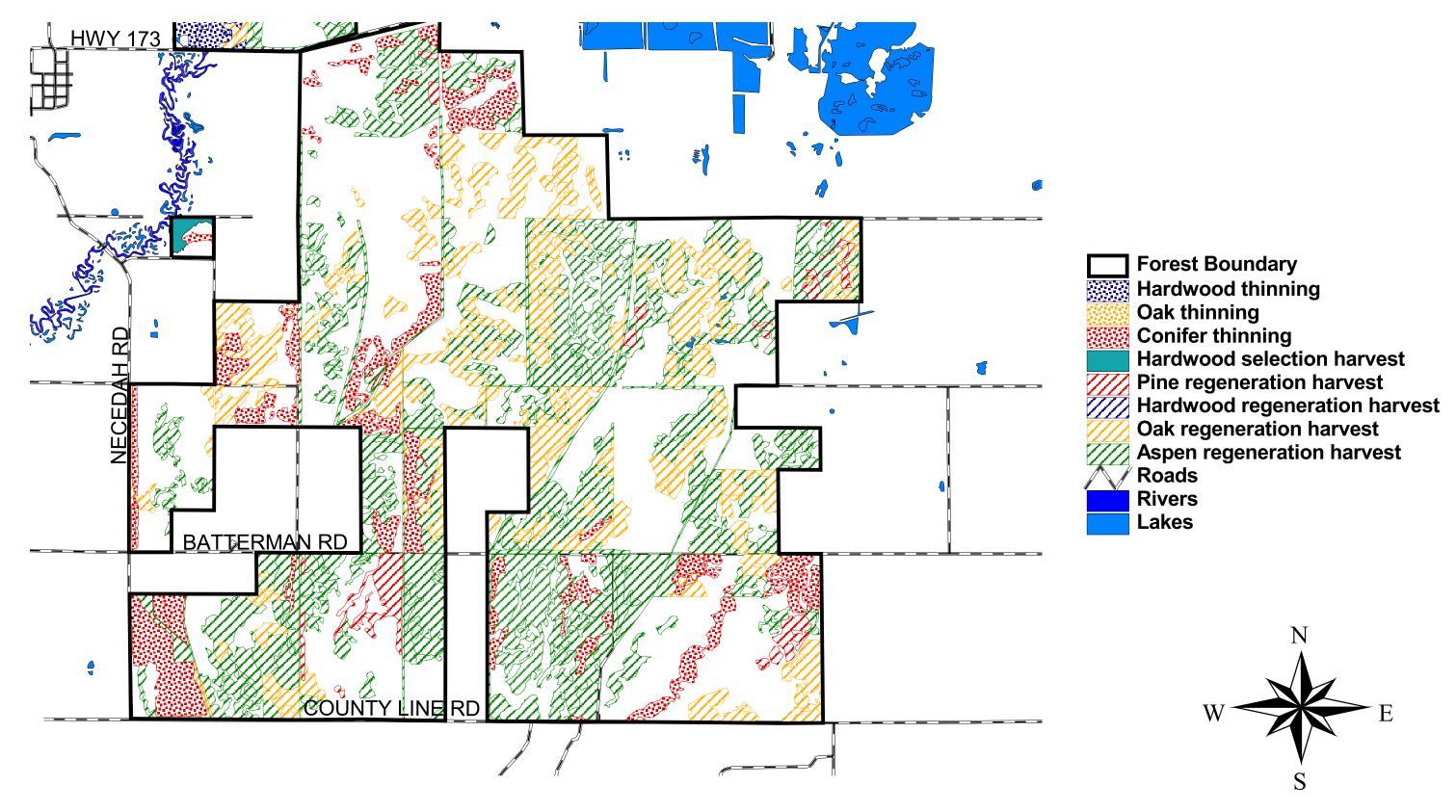
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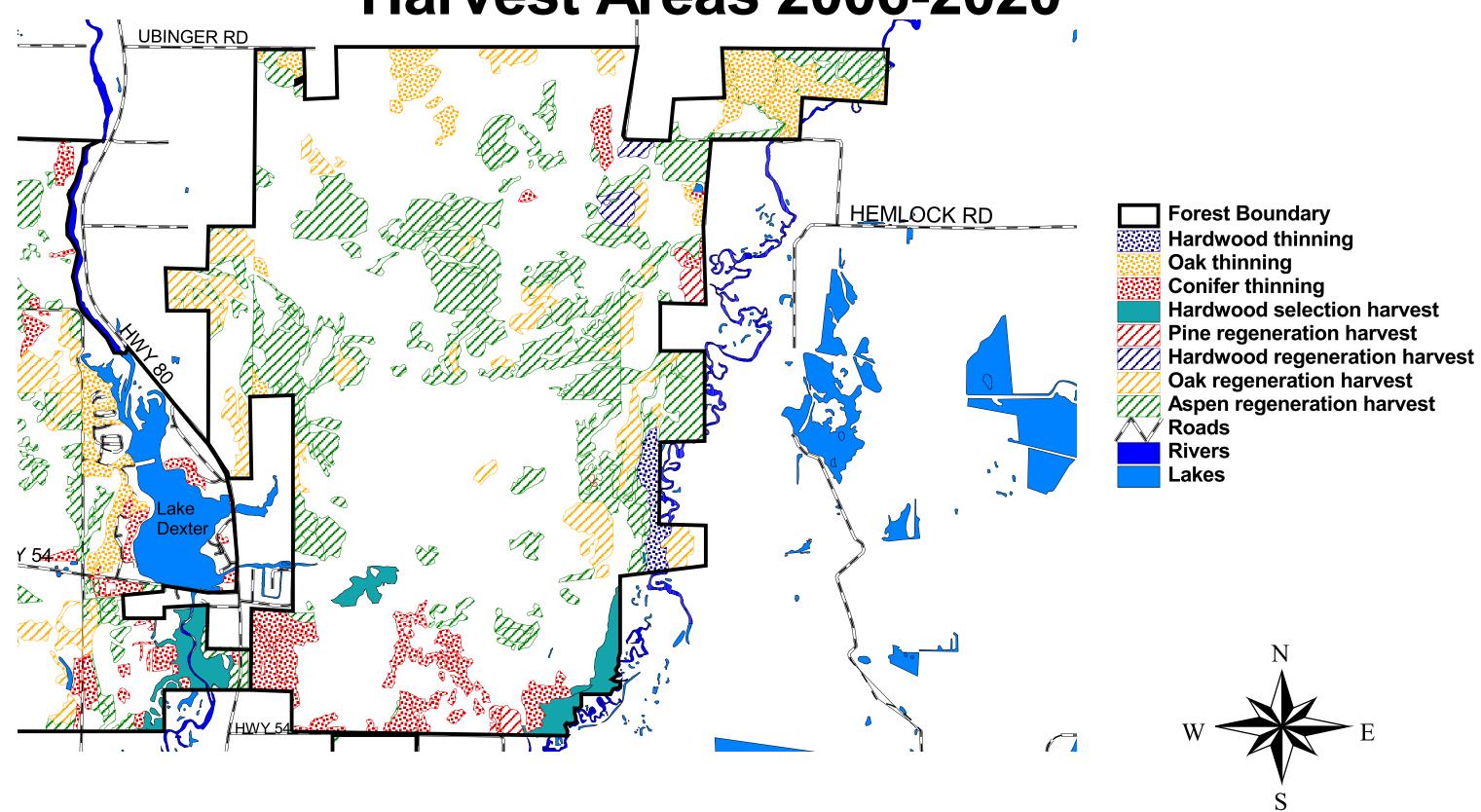
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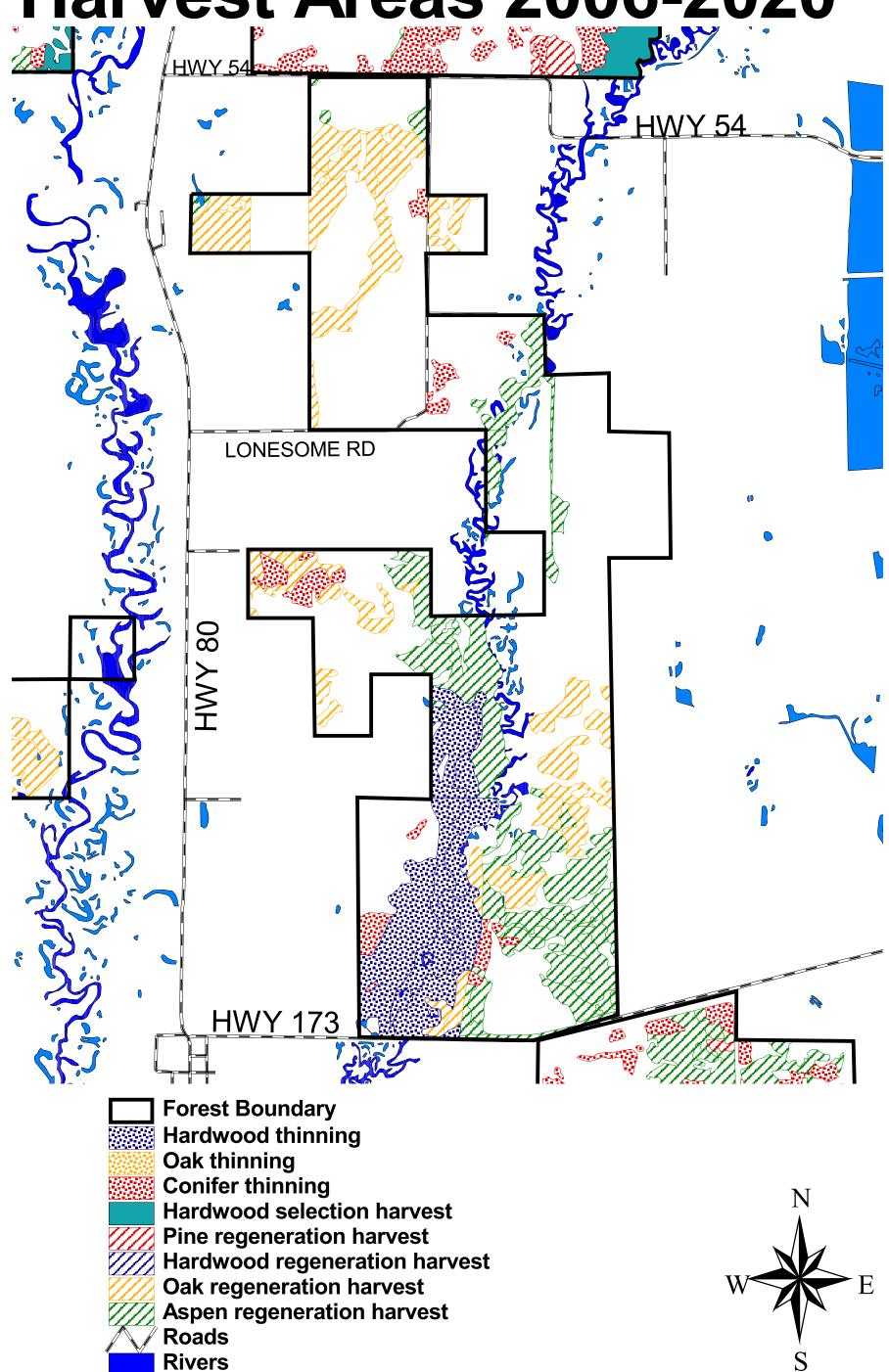
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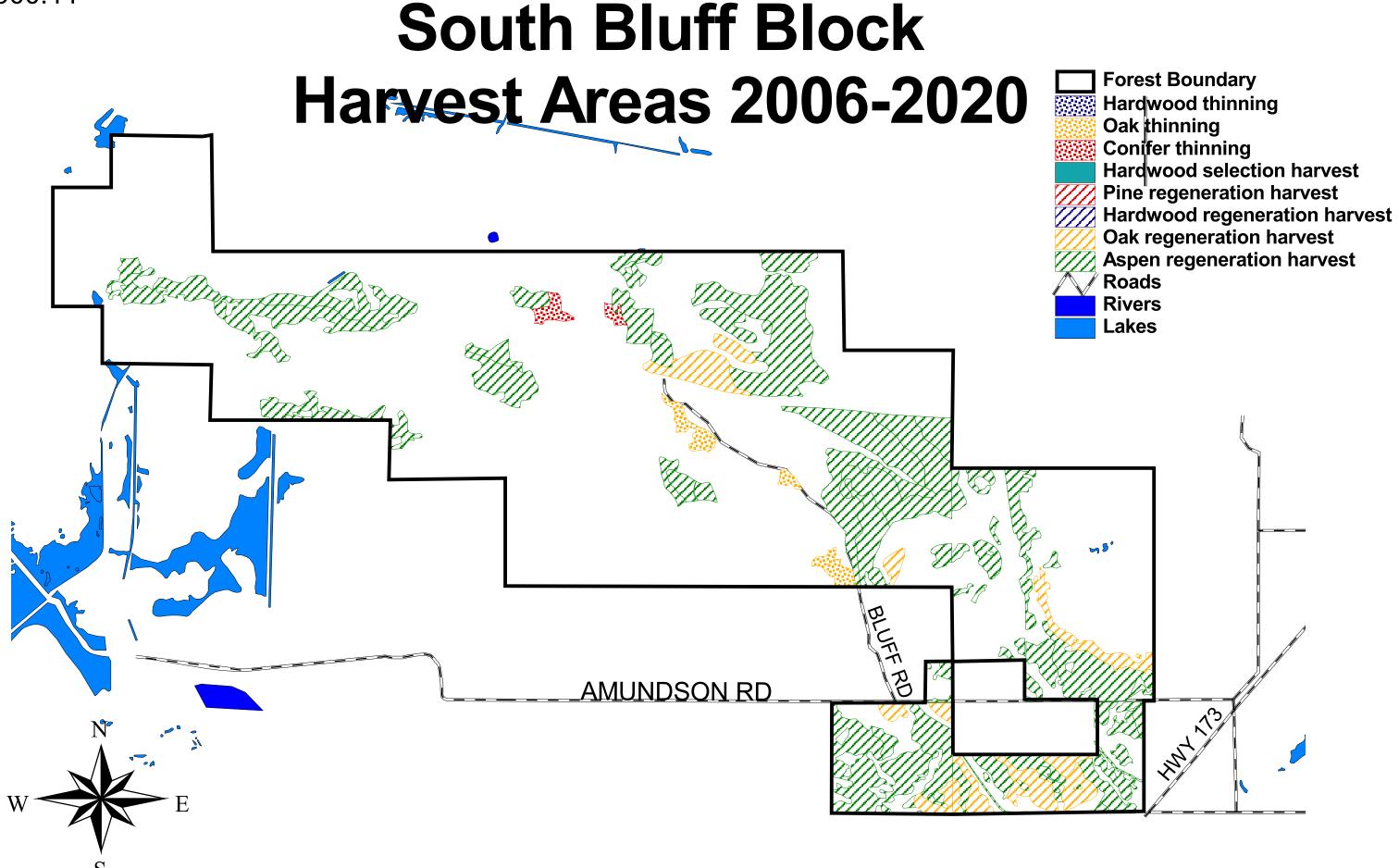
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900.11 **Dexter Block** Harvest Areas 2006-2020 Lake **HWY 54 Forest Boundary** Hardwood thinning Oak thinning **Conifer thinning Hardwood selection harvest** Pine regeneration harvest Hardwood regeneration harvest Oak regeneration harvest **Aspen regeneration harvest** Roads **Rivers**

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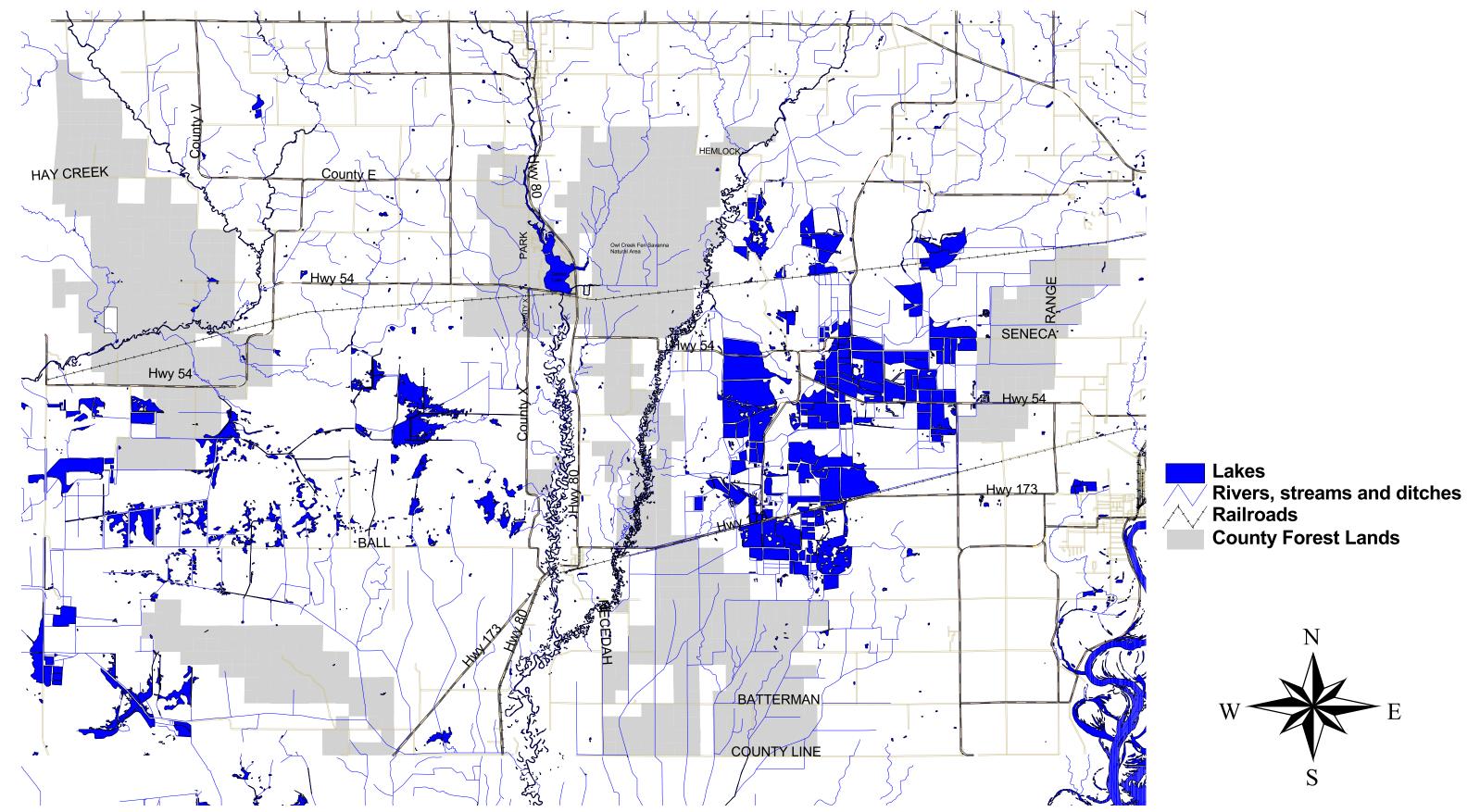
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900.11.7 South Bluff Block



900.12 MAP OF SURFACE WATERS OF WOOD COUNTY

Surface Waters of Wood County



905 LAWS AND ORDINANCES

905.1 COUNTY FOREST LAW (s. 28.11, Wis. Stats)

28.11 Administration of county forests.

- (1) **Purpose.** The purpose of this section is to provide the basis for a permanent program of county forests and to enable and encourage the planned development and management of the county forests for optimum production of forest products together with recreational opportunities, wildlife, watershed protection and stabilization of stream flow, giving full recognition to the concept of multiple-use to assure maximum public benefits; to protect the public rights, interests and investments in such lands; and to compensate the counties for the public uses, benefits and privileges these lands provide; all in a manner which will provide a reasonable revenue to the towns in which such lands lie.
- (2) **Defined.** "County forests" include all county lands entered under and participating under ch. 77 on October 2, 1963, and all county lands designated as county forests by the county board or the forestry committee and entered under the county forest law and designated as "county forest lands" or "county special-use lands" as hereinafter provided.
- (3) **Powers of county board.** The county board of any such county may:
- (a) Enact an ordinance designating a committee to have charge of the county forests and specifying the powers, duties, procedures and functions of such committee. The members of such committee shall be appointed pursuant to <u>s. 59.13</u> and may include well-qualified residents of the county who are not members of the county board.
- (b) Establish regulations for the use of the county forests by the public and to provide penalties for their enforcement.
- (c) Appropriate funds for the purchase, development, protection and maintenance of such forests and to exchange other county-owned lands for the purpose of consolidating and blocking county forest holdings.
- (d) Enter into cooperative agreements with the department for protection of county forests from fire.
- (e) Establish aesthetic management zones along roads and waters and enter into long-term cooperative leases and agreements with the department and other state agencies or federal agencies for the use of the county forests for natural resources research.
- (f) Establish transplant nurseries for growing seedlings, from the state forest nurseries, to larger size for planting in county forests, but no ornamental or landscape stock shall be produced in such nurseries.
- (g) Establish forest plantations and engage in silviculture, forest management and timber sales.
- (h) Engage in other projects designed to achieve optimum development of the forest.
- (i) Enter into leases or agreements, for terms not exceeding 10 years, to explore and prospect for ore, minerals, gas or oil upon any county forest lands. These leases or agreements shall contain proper covenants to safeguard the public interests in the lands involved and to guard against trespass and waste. The county board shall require proper security to ensure that the person engaged in exploration or prospecting fully informs the county of every discovery of ore, minerals, gas or oil and restores the land surface to an acceptable condition and value if no discovery of valuable deposit is made or if county forest lands are not withdrawn from entry under this section. Before a lease or agreement under this paragraph is effective, approval of the lease or agreement by the department is required. If the department finds that the proposed lease or agreement fully complies with the law and contains the proper safeguards, it shall approve the lease or agreement.
- (j) Enter into leases for the extraction of valuable deposits of ore, minerals, gas or oil upon any county

forest land. If the extraction can be accomplished without permanently affecting the surface of the land, extraction leases may be entered into and extraction may occur while the land remains county forest lands. If the extraction cannot be accomplished without permanently affecting the surface of the land, extraction may not commence until the land is withdrawn as county forest land. Before an extraction lease under this paragraph is effective, approval of the lease by the department is required.

(k) Establish energy conservation projects which permit individual members of the public to remove up to 10 standard cords of wood without charge from county forest lands for individual home heating purposes. The county board shall limit removal of wood for energy conservation projects to wood that is unsuitable for commercial sale. The county board may require a permit to remove wood for energy conservation projects and may charge a fee for the permit to administer projects established under this paragraph. A county board shall restrict participation in projects established under this paragraph to residents, as defined under s. 29.001 (69), but may not restrict participation to residents of the county.

(4) Entry of county forest lands.

- (a) A county may file with the department an application for entry of county-owned land under this section. Such application shall include the description of the land and a statement of the purposes for which the lands are best suited. Upon the filing of such application the department shall investigate the same and it may conduct a public hearing thereon if it deems it advisable to do so at such time and place as it sees fit.
- (b) If after such investigation the department finds that the lands constitute a well blocked county forest unit or that they block in with other established county forest lands and are otherwise suitable for the purposes of this section it shall make an order of entry designating such lands as county forest lands. All county lands entered under and participating under ch. 77 on October 2, 1963 shall be designated "county forest lands" without further order of entry.
- (c) If the department finds that the lands are not suited primarily for timber production and do not otherwise qualify for entry under <u>par. (b)</u> but that they are suitable for scenic, outdoor recreation, public hunting and fishing, water conservation and other multiple-use purposes it shall make an order of entry designating such lands as "county special-use lands".
- (d) A copy of the order of entry shall be filed with the county clerk and the county forestry committee, and the order shall also be recorded with the register of deeds.
- (e) From and after the filing of such order of entry, the lands therein described shall be "county forest lands" or "county special-use lands", as the case may be, and shall so remain until withdrawn as hereinafter provided.
- (f) The department may construct and use forest fire lookout towers, telephone lines and fire lanes or other forest protection structures on any lands entered under this section and the county clerk of such county shall execute any easement on or over such lands which the department may require for forest protection. The general public shall enjoy the privilege of entering such lands for the purpose of hunting, fishing, trapping and other recreation pursuits subject to such regulation and restrictions as may be established by lawful authority.

(5) Management

(a) A comprehensive county forest land use plan shall be prepared for a 10-year period by the county forestry committee with the assistance of technical personnel from the department and other interested agencies, and shall be approved by the county board and the department. The plan shall include land use designations, land acquisition, forest protection, annual allowable timber harvests, recreational developments, fish and wildlife management activities, roads, silvicultural operations and operating policies and procedures; it shall include a complete inventory of the county forest and shall be documented with maps, records and priorities showing in detail the various projects to be undertaken during the plan period. The plan may include an application for aids under <u>s. 23.09 (17m)</u>. The application will be

considered an annual application for these aids during the 10-year period of the plan. The initial plan shall be completed within 2 years from October 2, 1963 and may be revised as changing conditions require and shall be revised upon expiration of the plan period.

(b) An annual work plan and budget based upon the comprehensive plan shall be prepared by the county forestry committee with the assistance of a forester of the department. The plan shall include a schedule of compartments to be harvested and a listing by location of management projects for the forthcoming year. In addition the plan shall include other multiple-use projects where appropriate. A budget, listing estimated expenditures for work projects, administration and protection of the forest, shall accompany the annual plan both to be submitted to the county board for approval at the November meeting.

(5m) Grants for county forest administrators.

- (a) The department may make grants, from the appropriation unders. 20.370 (5) (bw), to counties having lands entered undersub. (4) to fund all of the following for one professional forester in the position of county forest administrator or assistant county forest administrator:
- 1. Up to 50% of the forester's salary.
- 2. Up to 50% of the forester's fringe benefits, except that the fringe benefits may not exceed 40% of the forester's salary.
- (b) The department may not make a grant under this subsection for a year for which the department has not approved the annual work plan that was approved by the county board under <u>sub. (5) (b)</u>. The department may not base the amount of a county's grant on the acreage of the county's forest land.

(5r) Sustainable forestry grants.

- (a) In this subsection, "sustainable forestry" has the meaning given in s. 28.04 (1) (e).
- (b) The department may make grants, from the appropriation under <u>s. 20.370 (5) (bw)</u>, to counties having lands entered under <u>sub. (4)</u> to fund the cost of activities designed to improve sustainable forestry on the lands.

(6) Timber sales and cultural cuttings.

(a) *Limitations*. The county forestry committee is authorized to sell merchantable timber designated in timber sale contracts and products removed in cultural or salvage cuttings. No timber sale contract is required for wood removed under<u>sub. (3) (k)</u>. All timber sales shall be based on tree scale or on the scale, measure or count of the cut products; the Scribner Decimal C log rule shall be used in log scaling. All cuttings shall be limited to trees marked or designated for cutting by qualified personnel recognized as such by the department.

(b) Procedures.

- 1. Any timber sale with an estimated value of \$3,000 or more shall be by sealed bid or public sale after publication of a classified advertisement announcing the sale in a newspaper having general circulation in the county in which the timber to be sold is located. Any timber sale with an estimated value below \$3,000 may be made without prior advertising. Any timber sale with an estimated value of \$3,000 or more requires approval of the secretary.
- 2. Timber sales shall be subject to presale appraisals by qualified personnel recognized as such by the department to establish minimum sales value. Appraisal methods and procedures shall be approved by the department.
- 3. No merchantable wood products may be cut on any lands entered under this section unless a cutting

notice on forms furnished by the department is filed with and approved by the department. Any unauthorized cutting shall render the county liable to the state in an amount equal to double the stumpage value of the cut products which amount shall be paid by the county to the state. If the county does not pay the amount of such penalty to the state, the department may withhold such amount from future state contributions to the county.

- 4. Within 90 days after completion of any cutting operation, including timber trespass, but not more than 2 years after filing the cutting notice, the county shall transmit to the department on forms furnished by the department, a report of merchantable wood products cut. The department may conduct any investigations on timber cutting operations that it considers to be advisable, including the holding of public hearings on the timber cutting operations, and may assess severance share payments accordingly.
- (7) County forest credit. The department shall set up an account for each county showing the lands entered; the sums previously paid under s. 28.14, 1961 stats.; the sums hereafter paid under this section; the sums previously received in the form of four-fifths severance tax collected pursuant to s. 77.06 (5), 1961 stats.; the sums received as forestry fund severance share under this section; and the sums previously reimbursed to the state on withdrawn lands pursuant to s. 28.12 (4), 1961 stats. Whenever the forestry fund account of any county shows an overpayment of such severance tax or severance share as of June 30 of any year, the department shall return such overpayment to the county. All severance taxes previously paid by any county and deposited in the general fund shall be credited to the forestry fund account of the county. If such credit exceeds the balance due to the forestry fund account from such county, the overpayment shall be credited to the county and applied in lieu of future severance shares due to the state until the county account is balanced.

(8) State contribution.

- (a) *Acreage payments*. As soon after April 20 of each year as feasible, the department shall pay to each town treasurer 30 cents per acre, based on the acreage of such lands as of the preceding June 30, as a grant out of the appropriation made by <u>s. 20.370 (5) (bv)</u> on each acre of county lands entered under this section.
- (b) Forestry fund account.
- 1. A county having established and maintaining a county forest under this section is eligible to receive from the state from the appropriations under s. 20.370 (5) (bq) and (bs) an annual payment as a noninterest bearing loan to be used for the purchase, development, preservation and maintenance of the county forest lands and the payment shall be credited to a county account to be known as the county forestry aid fund. A county board may, by a resolution adopted during the year and transmitted to the department by December 31, request to receive a payment of not more than 50 cents for each acre of land entered and designated as "county forest land". The department shall review the request and approve the request if the request is found to be consistent with the comprehensive county forest land use plan. If any lands purchased from the fund are sold, the county shall restore the purchase price to the county forestry aid fund. The department shall pay to the county the amount due to it on or before March 31 of each year, based on the acreage of the lands as of the preceding June 30. If the amounts in the appropriations under s. 20.370 (5) (bq) and (bs) are not sufficient to pay all of the amounts approved by the department under this subdivision, the department shall pay eligible counties on a prorated basis.
- 2. The department may allot additional interest free forestry aid loans on a project basis to individual counties to permit the counties to undertake meritorious and economically productive forestry operations, including land acquisitions. These additional aids may not be used for the construction of recreational facilities or for fish and game management projects. Application shall be made in the manner and on forms prescribed by the department and specify the purpose for which the additional aids will be used. The department shall make an investigation as it deems necessary to satisfy itself that the project is feasible, desirable and consistent with the comprehensive plan. If the department so finds, it may make allotments in such amounts as it determines to be reasonable and proper and charge the allotments to the forestry fund account of the county. These allotments shall be credited by the county to the county forestry aid fund. After determining the loans as required under subd. 1., the department shall make the remainder of the

amounts appropriated under $\underline{s. 20.370 (5) (bq)}$ and $\underline{(bs)}$ for that fiscal year available for loans under this subdivision. The department shall also make loans under this subdivision from the appropriations under $\underline{s.}$ 20.370 (5) (bt) and (bu).

3. All payments made under this paragraph shall be known as the "forestry fund account".

(9) County forest severance share.

- (a) Except as provided under <u>pars. (b)</u> and <u>(c)</u>, on timber cut from lands entered as "county forest lands" the county shall pay a severance share of not less than 20% of the actual stumpage sales value of the timber. A higher rate of payment may be applied when agreed upon by the department and the county. When cutting is done by the county and timber is not sold or is sold as cut forest products the severance share shall be 20% of the severance tax schedule in effect under s. 77.06 (2).
- (ag) The severance share paid by a county to the state shall be credited to the forestry fund account of the county and shall be divided into 2 payments as follows:
- 1. An acreage loan severance share payment that is equal to the product of multiplying the amount of the severance share paid by the county by the percentage of the balance due in the forestry fund account of the county that is attributable to loans made under <u>sub</u>. (8) (b) 1.
- 2. A project loan severance share payment that is equal to the product of multiplying the amount of the severance share paid by the county by the percentage of the balance due that is attributable to loans made under sub. (8) (b) 2.
- (am) The acreage loan severance share payments shall be deposited in the conservation fund and credited to the appropriation under <u>s. 20.370 (5) (bq)</u>, and the project loan severance share payments shall be deposited in the conservation fund and credited to the appropriation under <u>s. 20.370 (5) (bu)</u>.
- (ar) Notwithstanding <u>s. 20.001 (3) (c)</u>, if the sum of the unencumbered balances in the appropriations under <u>s. 20.370 (5) (bq)</u>, (<u>bt)</u> and (<u>bu)</u> exceeds \$400,000 on June 30 of any fiscal year, the amount in excess of \$400,000 shall lapse from the appropriation under <u>s. 20.370 (5) (bq)</u> to the conservation fund, except as provided in <u>subd. 2</u>.
- 2. Notwithstanding <u>s. 20.001 (3) (c)</u>, if the amount in the appropriation under <u>s. 20.370 (5) (bq)</u> is insufficient for the amount that must lapse under <u>subd. 1.</u>, the remainder that is necessary for the lapse shall lapse from the appropriation under <u>s. 20.370 (5) (bu)</u>.
- (b) No severance share payment is required if there is no balance due in the forestry fund account of the county. A severance share payment shall not exceed the balance due in the forestry fund account of the county.
- (c) No severance share payment is required for wood removed from county forest lands for energy conservation projects established under <u>sub.</u> (3) (k).
- (d) Of the gross receipts from all timber sales on the county forests 10% shall be paid annually by the county to the towns having county forest lands on the basis of acreage of such lands in the towns.

(11) Withdrawals.

(a) 1. The county board may by resolution adopted by not less than two-thirds of its membership make application to the department to withdraw lands entered under this section. The county board shall first refer the resolution to the county forestry committee, which shall consult with an authorized representative of the department in formulating its withdrawal proposal. The county board shall not take final action on the application until 90 days after referral of the application to the forestry committee or until the report of the forestry committee regarding the application has been filed with the board. The application shall

include the land description, a statement of the reasons for withdrawal, and any restrictions or other conditions of use attached to the land proposed for withdrawal.

- 2. Upon the filing of an application to withdraw lands under <u>subd. 1.</u>, the department shall investigate the application. During the course of its investigation the department shall make an examination of the character of the land, the volume of timber, improvements, and any other special values. In the case of withdrawal for the purpose of sale to any purchaser other than the state or a local unit of government, the department shall establish a minimum value on the lands to be withdrawn. In making its investigation the department shall give full weight and consideration to the purposes and principles set forth in <u>sub. (1)</u>, and it shall also weigh and consider the benefits to the people of the state as a whole, as well as to the county, from the proposed use against the benefits accruing to the people of the state as a whole and to the county under the continued entry of the lands to be withdrawn. The department may conduct a public hearing on the application, if it considers it advisable, at a time and place that it determines, except that if the county requests a public hearing in writing, the department shall hold a public hearing.
- 3. If the department finds that the benefits after withdrawal of the lands described in the application under <u>subd. 2.</u> outweigh the benefits under continued entry of the lands and that the lands will be put to a better and higher use, it shall make an order withdrawing the lands from entry; otherwise it shall deny the application.
- 4. If the application is denied, the county board may, by resolution adopted by not less than two-thirds of its membership, appeal to a review committee. The department shall submit the findings of its investigation and of any hearing on a proposed withdrawal to the committee, which shall be composed of the following members:
- a. One member appointed by the county board submitting the application for withdrawal.
- b. One member who is appointed by the governor, who is from another county that has land enrolled under the county forest law, and who shall be chairperson of the review committee.
- c. One member appointed by the department.
- d. One member appointed by the University of Wisconsin from the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences.
- e. One member to be selected by unanimous vote of the appointed members or, if the appointed members fail to achieve unanimity, by the governor.
- 5. The review committee appointed under <u>subd. 4.</u> shall, by majority vote within 60 days after receiving the findings of the department, do one of the following:
- a. Approve the application for withdrawal if it finds the proposed use to be of a greater benefit considering all losses and benefits to the people of the state as a whole, as well as to the people of the county.
- b. Provisionally deny the application for withdrawal giving specific reasons why it finds the proposal deficient and making any suggestions for revising the application to reduce the conflict of the proposed use with the public interest.
- 6. If the committee approves a withdrawal under <u>subd. 5.</u>, it shall notify the county board of its approval stating, as necessary, specific procedures to be followed by the county relating to the withdrawal. The county board may then by a resolution approved by not less than two-thirds of its membership, withdraw the lands from the county forest law and shall send copies of this resolution to the department and to the county register of deeds who shall record the resolution.
- 7. If the committee provisionally denies the proposed withdrawal under <u>subd. 5.</u>, it may consider an amended application for withdrawal upon presentation of the application and supporting information, or it may require additional investigation of the amended application by the department before reconsidering the application. Any additional investigation shall include additional public hearings if requested by the county, the department, or the committee.
- (b) If the application is approved the county shall reimburse the state the amounts previously paid to the county pursuant to <u>sub. (8) (b)</u> which reimbursement shall be credited to the county forestry fund account; except that the department may waive all or part of such reimbursement if it finds that the lands are

withdrawn for a higher public use or that the amount of such reimbursement is unreasonable when compared to the value of the land. If the department has waived any portion of such reimbursement and if at any subsequent time the land ceases to be used for the purpose designated in the application for withdrawal, the full amount of reimbursement due the forestry fund account on the lands withdrawn shall immediately become due and payable to the department and shall be credited to the forestry fund account, unless the department finds and determines that the lands will continue to be put to another higher public use in which case payments of such reimbursement may be deferred by the department so long as the lands are devoted to a higher public use. If payment is not made prior to the time of the next forestry aid payment to the county, forestry aid payments in an amount to be determined by the department shall be withheld until the amount due the forestry fund account is reimbursed.

- (12) Enforcement. If at any time it appears to the department that the lands are not being managed in accordance with this section it shall so advise the county forestry committee and the county clerk. If the condition persists the department may proceed against the persons responsible for such noncompliance under s. 30.03 (4).
- (13) **Review.** All orders of the department made under this section may be reviewed under <u>ss. 227.52</u> to 227.58.

History: 1971 c. 215; 1975 c. 39 s. 734; 1975 c. 342; 1977 c. 29; 1979 c. 34 ss. 723 to 725, 2102 (39) (a); 1983 a. 27; 1983 a. 192 s. 304; 1983 a. 424 ss. 2 to 5; 1985 a. 29 ss. 655ce to 655cg, 3202 (39); 1985 a. 182 s. 57; 1987 a. 27; 1989 a. 31, 79; 1993 a. 16, 184, 301; 1995 a. 27, 201; 1997 a. 237, 248; 1999 a. 9; 2001 a. 16, 103.

Cross Reference: See also ch. NR 48 and ss. NR 1.24, 47.60, and 302.03, Wis. adm. code.

A county forest withdrawal appeal review committee under sub. (11) (a) is not state agency whose decisions are reviewable under ch. 227. Allen v. Juneau County, 98 Wis. 2d 103, 295 N.W.2d 218 (Ct. App. 1980).

County boards cannot sell or exchange county forest lands without first withdrawing them from the county forest program under sub. (11). 66 Atty. Gen. 109.

905.2 COUNTY ORDINANCES

905.2.1 County Forestry Ordinance (Ordinance No. 500)

Ordinance No. 500 Wood County Forestry

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WOOD COUNTY ORDINANCE #500 WOOD COUNTY FORESTRY ORDINANCE

500.01 AUTHORITY

This ordinance is enacted to prescribe the rules and regulations for the establishment, protection, development, and management of the County Forest as provided in Chapters 26, 28, 29, 59, 75, and 77 of the Wisconsin Statutes, so as to provide a sustained yield of forest products for commercial use and the associated benefits of soil and water conservation, scenic value, recreational benefit, and fish and game resources, all in cooperation with the Department of Natural Resources.

500.02 DEFINITIONS

- (1) Agent. The Wood County Forest Administrator or designee.
- All-terrain vehicle. An engine-driven device which has a net weight of 650 pounds or less, which has a width of 48 inches or less, which is equipped with a seat designed to be straddled by the operator and which is designed to travel on 3 or more low-pressure tires. A low-pressure tire is a tire which has a minimum width of 6 inches, which is designed to be mounted on a rim with a maximum diameter of 12 inches and which is designed to be inflated with a operating pressure not to exceed 6 pounds per square inch as recommended by the manufacturer.
- (3) <u>Beach</u>. Any water area or adjacent land area designated as a swim area by standard regulatory markers.
- (4) <u>Boat Landing</u>. Any site adjacent to water that provides public access to navigable waters.
- (5) Board. Wood County Board of Supervisors.
- (6) <u>Camp or Camping</u>. The use of a shelter such as a tent, trailer, motor vehicle, tarpaulin, bed roll or sleeping bag for temporary residence or sleeping purposes.
- (7) <u>Campsite</u>. A segment of a campground or camping area which is designated for camping use by a camping unit or camping party.
- (8) <u>Camping Party</u>. Any individual, family, or individual group occupying a campsite.
- (9) <u>Committee</u>. The Wood County Park and Forestry Committee.

- (10) <u>County Land</u>. County land or lands includes all lands previously and subsequently acquired under supervision of the Park and Forestry Committee and those lands under land use agreement with it, including Federal, State, Town and Private lands that provide forest, wildlife or recreational benefit.
- (11) <u>Department</u>. The Wood County Park and Forestry Office.
- (12) <u>Personnel</u>. Includes all individuals involved with the implementation of the Wood County Forest 10 Year Comprehensive Land Use Plan and under the direction of the Park and Forestry Committee and the Forest Administrator.
- (13) <u>Picnic Area</u>. Any tract of land developed and maintained for picnicking including adjacent recreational areas.
- (14) <u>Plan</u>. The Wood County Forest 10 Year Comprehensive Land Use Plan and all other documents referenced therein.
- (15) <u>Snowmobile</u>. An engine-driven vehicle manufactured solely for snowmobiling, such vehicle has an endless belt tread and sled-type runners or skis to be used in contact with snow but does not include the following: A vehicle with inflatable tires or a vehicle driven by a motor of 4 horsepower or less operated in sanctioned races, derbies, competitions or exhibitions or only on private property.

500.03 COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT

The Wood County Board hereby assigns the administration of the County Forest and the Wood County State Wildlife Area to the committee of this Board known as the Park and Forestry Committee.

500.04 POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE COMMITTEE

- (1) <u>Policies</u>. The Wood County Forest 10 Year Comprehensive Land Use Plan and all documents referenced therein, shall serve as policy for the operation of the Department.
- (2) <u>Lands and Facilities</u>. Management and regulatory control of all lands and facilities designated in this chapter, or not specifically designated to another committee of the Board of Supervisors, are delegated to the Committee.
- (3) Scope. The provisions of this Ordinance shall apply to all lands, structures and property owned, leased, controlled or administered by Wood County as determined in Ch. 500.06 (1) of this chapter. All such lands shall be shown on an official map or listing, at the Park and Forestry Office located at the Courthouse, 400 Market Street, Wisconsin

- Rapids, Wisconsin and in accord with the records in the office of the Register of Deeds.
- (4) <u>County Forest Lands</u>. The Wood County Forest shall include all lands now held or hereafter acquired for forestry or special use purposes and entered under the provisions of Chapter 28.11 of the Wisconsin Statutes.
- (5) <u>County Reserved and Other County Lands</u>. Includes all lands administered under the jurisdiction of the Committee and not specified in 500.06 (1) of this chapter.
- (6) <u>Annual Operations</u>. The Committee shall prepare an annual work plan and budget for each ensuing year for its department and operations. The work plan and budget approved by the County Board shall establish the limits as well as purpose for which expenditures may be made.
- (7) <u>Personnel</u>. The Committee shall direct and supervise the County Park and Forestry Office, subject to the approval of the County Board. It shall employ a County Forest Administrator as its agent and such other competent personnel as the Board may authorize to direct, perform, and enforce the administration and management functions of this chapter.
- (8) <u>Headquarters</u>. The Committee shall establish and maintain forest headquarters for office space and the housing of machinery, tools, equipment and supplies needed in conducting forestry operations.
- (9) <u>Equipment and Supplies</u>. The Committee may purchase, sell, trade, or dispose of equipment and supplies required for the operations of its department.
- (10) Land Acquisition. The Committee may negotiate for the acquisition of lands and easements within the County Forest boundary by purchase, gift, bequest, or by exchange of County owned lands outside the boundary for the purpose of blocking the forest for better administration or for recreational purposes. Each such proposed acquisition must be presented to the County Board for its approval.
- (11) <u>Entry of Lands</u>. The Committee may make application for entry under the County Forest Law as lands are acquired within the County Forest boundary.
- (12) <u>Protection</u>. The Committee shall do all things necessary for the protection of the forest, whether from fire, insects, disease, trespass or from damage by animals or from other causes, in cooperation with the Department of Natural Resources.
- (13) <u>Surveys</u>. The Committee shall direct the activities of the County Surveyor in locating survey lines and appropriately monument corners of County Forest lands and reserved lands.

- (14) <u>Roads</u>. The Committee may construct, improve and maintain a system of forest roads, trails and firebreaks and purchase secure easements for access ways required to cross privately owned lands.
- (15) <u>Forest Improvements</u>. The Committee may conduct forest improvement work, including reforestation, release cuttings, thinnings, pruning, weeding, and any other approved silvicultural practice.
- (16) <u>Fish and Game</u>. The Committee shall cooperate with the Department of Natural Resources on all matters relating to game and fish management.
- (17) <u>Sale of Forest Products</u>. The Committee may sell timber stumpage in accordance with the guidelines in the 10 Year Comprehensive Land Use Plan.
- (18) <u>Cooperation</u>. The Committee may enter agreements with the U.S. Forest Service, Lake States Forest Experiment Station, the University of Wisconsin and the Department of Natural Resources for the use of County lands, labor, materials and equipment for conducting forest research.
- (19) <u>Special Uses</u>. The Committee may establish, construct and maintain recreation and interpretation facilities, boat landings, wild resource zones, aesthetic, management zones, special use areas and wildlife habitat.
- (20) <u>Prospecting</u>. The Committee may enter into agreements to prospect for minerals upon County lands under its jurisdiction subject to the approval by the Board and the Department of Natural Resources.
- (21) <u>Use Permits</u>. The Committee may authorize special uses of the County-owned lands by written permit. Any such permit shall be revocable for cause by written notice. The Committee may establish and charge fees for special use permits.
- (22) <u>Sand and Gravel Permits</u>. The Committee may issue permits to municipalities within Wood County for removal of sand and gravel from lands under its jurisdiction, consistent with Chapter 28.11, Wisconsin State Statutes.
- (23) Plan. The Committee shall cooperate with the Department of Natural Resources in the establishment and maintenance of the Wood County 10 Year Comprehensive Land Use Plan. In addition, the Committee will participate in the determination of the allowable annual cut, an inventory of growing stock and increment acreage control, establishment of compartments and other necessary items for such plan.
- (24) <u>Special Recreation Area</u>. The Committee may create and update rules and regulations for the use of the Rifle Pistol Range, Squaw Creek Pond, ATV Area and any other special recreation areas.

(25) Additional Rules. Rules and regulations may be made from time to time, by the Committee, governing the further use and enjoyment of property administered by the Committee. Any person who shall violate such rules or regulations, or who refuses to subject himself thereto, may be excluded from the use of such facility and be subject to penalties.

500.05 FOREST FINANCES

- (1) County Forest Land Fund. If in the event that County Forest is sold or traded, all proceeds from the sale or trade of County owned lands, entered under Chapter 28.11 of the Wisconsin Statutes, shall be credited to a non-lapsing account entitled the County Forest Land Fund. These funds are to be used for the purchase of property to be added to the County Forest.
- Town and State Severance Accounts. Ten percent of the gross timber sale revenue shall be deposited in a segregated non-lapsing account to be paid proportionally to the towns containing County Forest property, as per Wisconsin Statue 28.11 (9) (c). In addition, 20% of the gross timber sale revenue shall be deposited in a segregated non-lapsing account to be paid to the Department of Natural Resources when there is an outstanding debt,, as per Wisconsin Statute 28.11 (9) (a).
- (3) <u>General Fund</u>. All monies received from the sale of timber stumpage, cut forest products, fees and use permits, sale of building materials, sale of surplus materials and equipment, fire or other damage collections or revenues received by the Park and Forestry Committee will be deposited in the General Fund at the end of the year unless otherwise specified under 505 of this chapter.
- (4) State Funds. All allotments from state funds under ss.28.11 (8)(b) State Forest Aid Fund, ss.86.315 Road Aids, ss. 23.09 (17) Habitat Development Grant, ss.23.09 (12) County Fish and Game Fund, ss. 23.09 (26) Snowmobile Aids, ss and 23.09 (25) Motorcycle Aids Program, of the Wisconsin Statutes, shall be deposited in their respective funds and shall be non-lapsing.
- (5) <u>Bond Deposit Account</u>. All deposits for timber sale bid bonds and performance bonds shall be deposited in the Bond Deposit Fund and such fund shall be non-lapsing.

500.06 FOREST LAND USE REGULATIONS

- (1) <u>Designation of Forest Lands</u>. All lands and facilities owned, leased, controlled, or operated by the Committee, and not designated under Ch. 27 Wisconsin Statutes or as determined under ss. 500.04 (2) shall be considered forest lands and regulated by this chapter.
- (2) Forest Products Harvest and Theft.

- A. <u>Timber Cutting</u>. Commercial cutting, salvage cuttings and cultural cuttings on lands designated in this chapter, shall be by written permit, or contract approved by the Committee.
- B. <u>Firewood and Special Products</u>. Commercial harvest of firewood and specialty products shall be by contract or written permit by the Committee.
- C. <u>Product Theft</u>. No person shall remove any plant, tree, parts of a tree or other forest products from any County lands designated in this chapter except as authorized by the Committee or its agents by written permit, contract or policy. Picking fruit, berries, nuts and mushrooms is permitted.

(3) County Property Destruction and Entry.

- A. <u>Destruction</u>. No person shall disturb, vandalize, damage, deface, remove or destroy any trees, shrubs, plants, other natural growth, sand or gravel; carve on any rocks, archaeological or geological features, signs, walls, tables or structures; drive nails into trees; or remove injure or deface in any manner any structures including buildings, signs, gates, fences, tables or other County property. The picking of edible fruits, berries, nuts and mushrooms is permitted.
- B. <u>Entry</u>. No person shall enter or be in any building, installation, area, or trail that may be locked or closed to public use or contrary to public or posted notice without a written permit from the Forest Administrator.
- C. <u>Tampering</u>. No person shall tamper with any building, installation, or area which may be under construction, locked or closed to public use, and/or tamper with, use, or damage any water control structure, device, dam, or culvert, or act contrary to posted or public notice.
- D. <u>Damage by Vehicle</u>. No person shall, and no owner shall allow, the operation of a vehicle for recreational use or other purpose in or on any property administered by the Committee in such a manner as to cause soil erosion, pollution or other damage.
 - (4) Sporting and Recreational Use of Forest Lands.
- A. Recreation Use Permits. Written permits, issued by the Committee, to organizations are required for recreational use of specified areas of County owned lands, including ski clubs, snowmobile clubs, and other organizations and organized horse trail rides. Permits may be issued for up to one year.

- B. Abandoned Vehicles. As used in this section, vehicle means any motor vehicle, trailer, semi-trailer, or mobile home. No person shall leave, nor shall any owner allow any vehicle to be left unattended, without prior authority from the Forest Administrator, under such circumstances as to cause the vehicle to reasonably appear to have been abandoned. An abandoned vehicle shall constitute a public nuisance.
- C. <u>Camping</u>. Camping is permitted on County Forest lands not designated as formal recreational areas, excluding those areas adjacent to existing County park camping facilities and areas posted as "no camping allowed." Camping in excess of 14 consecutive days is not permitted without a permit from the Forest Administrator. Any camper who has violated the terms of this chapter or the Wisconsin Statutes that are part of this chapter, shall be subject to immediate ejection from the County-owned lands.
- D. <u>Elevated blinds</u>. No person shall construct, occupy, or use any elevated scaffold or other elevated device, except that portable stands may be used provided they are completely removed each day at the close of hunting hours and provided such devices do no damage to trees, in/on which they are placed, or to other property.
- E. <u>Ground Blinds</u>. No person may construct, occupy, or use any ground blind unless the following conditions are met:
- 1. The blind shall be constructed only of natural materials found lying dead and down in the immediate area, and cause no damage to trees or other County property.
- 2. The total area enclosed shall be no more than 36 square feet.
- 3. The blind is to be constructed so as it will not interfere with the movement of authorized vehicles or equipment and constructed in such a manner that it blends in with the surrounding area
- **4.** All objects that are not in a form found naturally within the immediate area shall be removed from the blind each day at the close of hunting hours.
- F. Off Road Vehicles. No person shall, and no owner shall allow the operation of or parking of any unlicensed motor vehicle, including but not limited to, trail bikes, motorcycles, mini-bikes, and all-terrain vehicles upon any forest road, snowmobile trail or designated recreation trail, or contrary to posted notice except areas designated by the Park and Forestry Committee unless a Disabled Access Permit has been granted from the Forest Administrator. Disabled Access Permits may be issued only to those persons eligible to receive a Wisconsin disabled hunter

permit. Agents of the county doing official business are exempted from this rule.

- G. Vehicles. No person shall, and no owner shall allow operation of a motor vehicle upon any blocked road, designated snowmobile trail or recreational trail, other than a County Forest road or contrary to posted notice, or upon any area other than existing roads or parking areas except for off-road parking and camping adjacent to existing roadways. Disabled Access Permits may be issued only to those persons eligible to receive a Wisconsin disabled hunter permit. Agents of the County doing official business are exempted from this rule.
- H. <u>Snowmobiles</u>. No person shall, and no owner shall allow operation or parking of any snowmobile on any blocked road, road, trail or designated ski trail. Agents of the County doing official business are excepted from this rule.
- I. <u>Squaw Creek Pond Fishing</u>. No person shall remove any Large Mouth or Small Mouth Bass from the Squaw Creek Pond. When a Large Mouth or Small Mouth Bass is caught, from this pond, it is to be immediately returned into the pond in a manner causing the least damage to the fish.
 - J. <u>Special Use Areas</u>. In addition to rules and regulations set forth in this ordinance, rules and regulations of the Park Ordinance will also apply to the ATV area, rifle range and other developed recreation areas as they are developed.
- (5) <u>Special Use</u>. Special use of specific areas of County lands shall be authorized only by written permit issued by the Committee.
- (6) Refuse. No person shall leave or dump any litter, rubbish, debris, dirt, stone or other materials on any County owned lands. When garbage receptacles are provided by the County only garbage generated on the site, and associated with the special activity for which purpose the receptacle was provided, may be placed in the receptacle. No personal or private garbage or materials may be deposited in the receptacles.
- (7) <u>Fires</u>. No person shall burn trash, slash or litter on forest lands except as authorized by written permit or policy.
- (8) <u>Exploring or Prospecting</u>. No person shall explore or prospect on County owned lands without written permit issued by the Committee.
- (9) <u>Access</u>. No person shall block or restrict access to any trail, road, parking area, recreational facility, or intentionally interfere with lands and facilities under the management and regulatory control of the Committee.

- (10) <u>Public Meetings and Sales</u>. Any person desiring to hold a public meeting of any kind whatsoever, on any property administered by the Committee, shall first obtain a permit from the Committee or its duly authorized agent. The permit must be applied for not less than 48 hours prior to the scheduled event.
- (11) <u>Peddling and Soliciting</u>. It is unlawful for any person to peddle or solicit business of any nature, to distribute handbills or other advertising matter, or to post signs, posters, or decorations on any lands or structures under the jurisdiction of the Committee, for any purposes whatsoever, unless first authorized by the Committee or its duly authorized agent in writing.
- (12) <u>Signs</u>. It is unlawful for any person to place unauthorized signs on any property administered by the Committee.
- (13) <u>Survey Monuments</u>. No person shall remove, cover, bury, destroy or deface any survey monument, corner post, monument accessory, witness tree, bearing tree, or survey accessory on any lands within Wood County, without following s. 59.635, Wis Stats.
- (14) <u>Installation, Public Utilities, and Private Construction</u>. The location of all public and private utilities, structures, lines, and pipes within any property administered by the Committee shall be subject to the control of the Committee and their construction, erection, repair, or relocation shall be undertaken only after written consent thereto is received from the Committee.
- (15) Personal Conduct. It is unlawful for any person to engage in violent, abusive, indecent, profane, boisterous, unreasonably loud, or otherwise disorderly conduct under circumstances in which such conduct tends to cause or provoke a disturbance on any property administered by the Committee.
- (16) <u>Property of Others</u>. It is unlawful for any person to disturb, destroy, vandalize, damage, or remove the property or personal effects of others on any property administered by the Committee. Personal effects left on property administered by the Committee may be removed by agents of the county.
- (17) Parking of Vehicles and Watercraft. It is unlawful for any person or owner to allow the parking, stopping, or leave standing, whether attended or unattended, any vehicle, obstruction, or watercraft in or on any property administered by the Committee in any manner which is:
- A. Blocking, obstructing, or limiting the use of any road, trail, parking lot, boat landing, waterway, or winter sport facility.
- B. Contrary to posted notice.

500.07 VIOLATION OF THIS ORDINANCE

(1) Legal Action

- A. Arrest Powers. Any law enforcement officer of Wood County or any of its municipal subdivisions, or law officers of the state, may, issue a citation for the violation of any of the provisions of this chapter. Said citation shall be in the format set forth in Wis. Stats. S66.119, which is incorporated herein by reference. Said law enforcement officers as well as agents of the Park & Forestry Department shall have at all times the right to enter the premises of any County Forest, building, structure, or enclosure in any park, wayside, or special recreation area, including such grounds, buildings, structures, or enclosures which may be leased or set aside for private or exclusive use of any individual or group of individuals, for the purpose of determining that there is compliance with this Ordinance and the rules and regulations made by the Committee, and may use all necessary means to attain that end.
- B. <u>Prosecution</u>. Whenever an arrest shall have been made or any violation shall occur, the District Attorney or Corporation Counsel shall prosecute or proceed as provided by law.
- C. <u>Penalties</u>. Any person, firm, company, or corporation who violates the regulations set forth in this Ordinance, or rules and regulations made by the Committee, shall be subject to a forfeiture of not less than \$25 or more than \$500, together with the costs of the action. Each day a violation exists shall constitute a distinct and separate violation of this Ordinance and as such, forfeitures shall apply accordingly.

(2) Notice of Violation

- A. Notice Issuance Authority. Wood County Park & Forestry Department personnel, designated in writing by the Forest Administrator, and peace officers described in 500.07 (1) A. shall have the authority to issue a Notice of Violation on forms approved by and pursuant to procedures established by the Forest Administrator and the Wood County Park and Forestry Committee.
- B. Penalties. Persons to whom a Notice of Violation has been issued for violating this Ordinance or rules and regulations made by the committee may enter into a stipulation of guilt with Wood County by posting the sum (established in the fee schedule set by the Wood County Park and Forestry Committee), within 5 days after the issuance of a Notice of Violation. Violators of this ordinance who do not timely post said sum as a fee shall be referred to Law Enforcement for the issuance of a citation as provide in Section 500.07 (1) of the Forestry Ordinance.

(3) <u>Seizure</u>. Whenever forest products are found to have been unlawfully severed from County lands, the sheriff shall, on satisfactory evidence, seize such materials pursuant to Section 26.06 of the Wisconsin Statutes for use by the County or for sale, as the Committee may determine.

(4) Damages.

- A. In addition to the penalties specified in paragraph 500.07 (2), any person violating any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be liable for any damages.
- B. Whenever evidence of unlawful cutting on County lands is filed with the Corporation Counsel, he\she may, and on direction of the Committee shall, bring suit to recover damages as provided by Section 26.09, Wisconsin Statutes. Similarly, civil suit may be brought against parties responsible for forest fire damage under Section 26.21, Wisconsin Statutes.

500.08 SPECIAL EXCEPTIONS, EFFECTIVE DATE, AND REPEALS

- (1) <u>Special Exceptions</u>. Special exceptions may be granted by prior written approval of the Park and Forestry Committee and Forest Administrator.
- (2) <u>Effective Date</u>. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication as required by law.
- (3) <u>Repeals</u>. All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.
- (4) <u>Invalidation</u>. Invalidation of any one of the subsections of this Ordinance by judgment or court order shall in no way affect any of the other provisions thereof, which shall remain in full force and effect.

905.2.2 County Snowmobile Ordinance

WOOD COUNTY ORDINANCE #235

SNOWMOBILE

235.01 DEFINITIONS

- 1. All Terrain Vehicles. Shall include, but not be limited to trail bikes, motorcycles, mini-bikes, air-boats and air-cushioned vehicles or golf carts, and three-wheeled, all terrain cycles.
- 2. Approved Snowmobile Trails. Shall include all snowmobile trails or routes so-designated by the Wood County Snowmobile Coordinator and/or the Wood County Park and Forestry Committee.
- 3. Snowmobile. Means an engine-driven vehicle that is manufactured solely for snowmobiling, that has an endless belt tread and sled-type runners or skis, to be used in contact with snow but does not include such a vehicle that is any of the following:
 - a. A Vehicle that has inflatable tires.
 - b. A Vehicle that is driven by a motor of 4 horsepower or less and that is operated in sanctioned races, derbies, competitions or exhibitions or only on private property.
- 4. Snowmobile Coordinator. Shall mean the Wood County Snowmobile Coordinator, his/her assistant(s) and such other individuals sodesignated by the Wood County Park and Forestry Committee.
- 5. Snowmobile Route. Means a highway or sidewalk designated for use by snowmobile operators adopted and signed by the respective township.
- 6. Snowmobile Trail. Means a marked trail on public property or on private property, subject to public easement or lease, designated for use by snowmobile operators by the Wood County Snowmobile Park and Forestry Supervisor, but excluding highways except those highways on which the roadway is not normally maintained by other vehicular traffic by the removal of snow.

235.02 RESTRICTED USE OF SNOWMOBILES

- 1. It shall be unlawful to operate a snowmobile on any land under the supervision, management or control of the Wood County Park and Forestry Department that has been posted as "Closed".
- 2. It shall be unlawful to operate a snowmobile on any approved snowmobile trails at a speed in excess of the posted limit. The snowmobile coordinator shall determine the speed limits to be posted and the locations for posting and will arrange for the postings.

235.03 RESTRICTED USE OF SNOWMOBILE TRAILS

- 1. No person shall drive any four-wheeled drive vehicle, passenger car, truck motorcycle, or any all-terrain vehicle on any approved snowmobile trail between December 1st of each year and April 15th of the following year without the written permission of the property owner or lessee.
- 2. No person shall deface, destroy or remove any snowmobile sign posted on any approved snowmobile trail.
- 3. Persons who are not operating or riding a snowmobile as herein defined shall not be permitted on snowmobile trails and/or routes; however, any such person would not be subject to penalties enumerated herein.

235.04 PENALTIES

1. Any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall, upon conviction, forfeit not less than \$25.00 nor more than \$200.00 for each offense, together with the costs of prosecution, restitution of trail or sign damage, and in default of payment of such forfeiture and costs, shall be imprisoned in the County jail until the same are paid, for a period of time not to exceed thirty (30) days or until otherwise discharged pursuant to law.

235.05 GENERAL

- 1. If any section, clause, provision or portion of this ordinance is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this ordinance shall not be affected.
- 2. Any previous ordinance or resolution in conflict with this ordinance is repealed to the extent of such conflict, except for the County Sheriff's Resolution #5 (June 11, 1968) adopting state traffic ordinance 350.01-350.10 on snowmobile laws.
- 3. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption and publication.

Any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall, upon conviction, forfeit not less than \$25.00 nor more than \$200.00 for each offense, together with the costs of prosecution, restitution of trail or sign damage, and in default of payment of such forfeiture and costs, shall be imprisoned in the County jail until the same are paid, for a period of time not to exceed thirty (30) days or until otherwise discharged pursuant to law.

905.2.3 Shoreland Zoning Ordinance (Ordinance No. 704)

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WOOD COUNTY ORDINANCE #704 SHORELAND ZONING ORDINANCE

Chapter 704 .01 STATUTORY AUTHORIZATION, FINDING OF FACT, PURPOSE AND TITLE

- (1) **Statutory Authorization.** This Shoreland Zoning Ordinance is adopted pursuant to the authorization contained in Sections 59.69, 59.692, 59.694, 87.30 and 144.26 of Wisconsin Statutes.
- (2) Finding of Fact. Uncontrolled use of the shorelands and pollution of the navigable waters of Wood County, Wisconsin adversely affect the public health, safety, convenience, and general welfare. The legislature of Wisconsin has delegated responsibility to the counties to further the maintenance of safe and healthful conditions; prevent and control water pollution; protect spawning grounds, fish and aquatic life; control building sites, placement of structures and land uses; and preserve shore cover and natural beauty, and this responsibility is recognized by Wood County, Wisconsin.
- (3) **Statement of Purpose.** For the purpose of promoting and protecting the public health, safety, convenience, and general welfare and to:
 - **A**. Further the maintenance of safe and healthful conditions through limiting structures to those areas where soil and geologic conditions will provide a safe foundation.
 - **B**. Prevent and control water pollution through:
 - 1. Establishing minimum lot sizes to provide adequate area for private sewage disposal facilities.
 - 2. Controlling filling and grading to prevent serious erosion.
 - C. Protect spawning grounds, fish, and aquatic life through:
 - 1. Preserving wetlands and other fish and aquatic habitat.
 - 2. Controlling shoreline alterations, dredging and lagooning.
 - **D**. Control building sites, placement of structures and land uses through:
 - 1. Separating conflicting land uses.
 - 2. Prohibiting certain uses detrimental to the shoreland area.
 - 3. Setting minimum lot sizes and widths.
 - 4. Regulating side yards and building setbacks from roadways and waterways.
 - **E**. Preserve shore cover and natural beauty through:
 - 1. Restricting the removal of natural shoreland cover.

- 2. Preventing shoreline encroachment by structures.
- 3. Controlling shoreland excavation and other earth moving activities.
- 4. Regulating the use and placement of boathouses and other structures.
- 5. Controlling the use and placement of signs.
- (4) **Title.** Wood County Shoreland Zoning Ordinance.

Chapter 704.02 GENERAL PROVISIONS

- (1) **Jurisdiction.** The jurisdiction of this Ordinance shall include shorelands of navigable waters as defined in 144.26(2) (d), Wisconsin Statutes, in the unincorporated areas of Wood County which are:
 - **A.** Within one thousand (1,000) feet of the ordinary high-water mark of lakes, ponds, or flowages. Lakes, ponds or flowages shall be considered navigable for the purpose of this ordinance if they are listed in the 1967 Department of Natural Resources publication "Surface Water Resources of Wood County" or shown on the USGS maps.
 - **B**. Within three hundred (300) feet of the ordinary high-water mark or to the landward side of a floodplain of the navigable reaches of rivers or streams whichever distance is greater. Reaches of rivers or streams shall be considered navigable for the purposes of this ordinance if they are indicated as "continuous" or "intermittent" waterways on the United States Geological Survey Maps or if they have been declared navigable by the Department of Natural Resources or a court of law.
 - C. Any person or persons wishing to contest a finding of navigability shall present to the Board of Adjustment written evidence demonstrating that the stream upon which his land borders is not, on the basis of the definition set forth in Section 704.16 of this Ordinance, navigable in fact. If the Board of Adjustment finds the evidence sufficient to determine that reach of the stream non-navigable, the Board shall so notify the applicant and shall notify the Code Administrator to amend the zoning map to record the fact that those particular lands have been determined not to be subject to the provisions of this Ordinance. This provision is subject to the condition that no part of such non-navigable reach lies in the floodplain of an abutting navigable reach.
 - **D**. Locating Shoreland-Wetland Boundaries. When an apparent discrepancy exists between the wetland district shown on the official wetland inventory maps and actual field conditions at the time the maps were adopted, the Code Administrator shall contact the appropriate area office of the Department of Natural Resources to determine if the wetland district as mapped is in error. If the DNR staff concur with the Code Administrator that a particular area was incorrectly mapped as a wetland, the Code Administrator shall have the authority to immediately grant or deny a Zoning Permit in accordance with the regulations applicable to the correct zoning district. In order to correct wetland mapping errors shown on the official zoning map, the Code Administrator shall be responsible for initiating a wetland map amendment within a

reasonable period of time.

- (2) Compliance. The use of any land or water; the size, shape and placement of lots; the use, size, type and location of structures on lots; the filling, grading, lagooning and dredging of any land; and the cutting of shoreland vegetation shall be in full compliance with the terms of this Ordinance and other applicable regulations. (See Section 704.07 for non-conforming uses.) Buildings, signs and other structures shall require a permit unless otherwise expressly excluded by the requirements of this Ordinance.
 - **A.** Unless specifically exempted by law, all local units of government are required to comply with this Ordinance. State agencies are required to comply when Section 13.48(13), Wisconsin Statutes, applies. The construction, reconstruction, maintenance and repair of state highways and bridges by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation are exempt when Section 30.12(4)(a), Wisconsin Statutes, applies.

(3) Abrogation and Greater Restrictions.

- **A**. This Ordinance supersedes all provisions of any county zoning ordinance enacted under s.59.69, Wisconsin Statutes, that relates to shorelands. However, where a county zoning ordinance is more restrictive than the provisions contained in this Ordinance, that ordinance shall continue in full force and effect to the extent of the greater restrictions, but not otherwise.
- **B**. This Ordinance shall not require approval or be subject to disapproval by any town or town board.
- **C**. If any existing town ordinance relating to shorelands is more restrictive than this Ordinance or any amendments thereto, the town ordinance continues in all respects to the extent of the greater restrictions but not otherwise.
- **D**. It is not otherwise intended by this Ordinance to repeal, abrogate or impair any existing deed restrictions or ordinances other than zoning to the extent specified in Section 704.02A of this Ordinance, however, where this Ordinance imposes greater restrictions the provisions of this Ordinance shall prevail.
- (4) **Interpretation.** In their interpretation and application, the provisions of this Ordinance shall be held to be minimum requirements and shall not be deemed a limitation or repeal of any other powers granted by Wisconsin Statutes.
- (5) Severability. If any section, clause, provision or portion of this Ordinance is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

(1) Lots Not Served By Public Sewer.

A. Minimum Area and Width for Each Main Building.

The minimum lot area shall be 20,000 square feet or on the basis of available soils information, whichever is more restrictive, and the minimum lot width shall be 100 feet at the building line and 100 feet at the ordinary high-water mark.

B. Side Yard.

There shall be a side yard for each main building. The minimum width of one side yard shall be nine (9) feet. The minimum aggregate width of both side yards shall be twenty (20) feet. The minimum setback for any accessory structure to the side yard shall be nine (9) feet.

C. Street Yard.

See Section 704.04 - Setbacks.

D. Rear Yard.

See Section 704.04(2) - Water Setbacks. Or if no water, a minimum of twenty-five (25) feet from any structure to the rear lot line.

(2) Lots Served By Public Sewer.

A. Minimum Area and Width for Each Main Building.

The minimum lot area shall be 10,000 square feet and the minimum lot width shall be sixty-five (65) feet at the ordinary high-water mark.

B. Side Yard.

There shall be a side yard for each main building. The minimum width of one side yard shall be eight (8) feet. The minimum aggregate width of both side yards shall be twenty (20) feet. The minimum setback for any accessory structure to the side yard shall be five (5) feet.

C. Street Yard.

See Section 704.04 - Setbacks.

D. Rear Yard.

See Section 704.04(2) - Water Setbacks. Or if no water, a minimum of fifteen (15) feet from any structure to the rear lot line.

(3) Substandard Lots.

A. Substandard Lots Served By Public Sewer.

A lot which does not contain sufficient area to conform to the dimensional requirements of this Ordinance but which is at least fifty (50) feet wide and 7,500 square feet in area may be used as a building site for a single family dwelling upon issuance of a Zoning Permit subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Such use is permitted in the zoning district.
- 2. The lot is of record in the County Register of Deeds Office prior to the effective date of this Ordinance.
- 3. The lot is in separate ownership from abutting lands. If abutting lands and the substandard lot are owned by the same owner, the substandard lot shall not be sold or used without full compliance with the terms of this Ordinance.
- 4. All the dimensional requirements of this Ordinance be complied with insofar as practical.

B. Substandard Lots Not Served by Public Sewer.

The provisions of 704.03(3)A(1)-(4) of this Ordinance shall apply and in addition the minimum lot area shall be 10,000 square feet and the minimum lot width shall be sixty-five (65) feet at the ordinary high-water mark.

C. Other Substandard Lots.

A building permit for the improvement of a lot having lesser dimensions than those stated in 704.03(3)A and 704.03(3)B of this Ordinance shall be issued only after the granting of a variance by the Board of Adjustment.

(4) Lots In Cluster Subdivisions.

Lots in cluster subdivisions not served by public sewers may be reduced to the minimum allowed by Wisconsin Administrative Code. However, the density standards for the subdivision as a whole shall not be reduced below that required by the Wood County Subdivision Ordinance.

Chapter 705 .04 SETBACKS

(1) Highway Setbacks.

For the purpose of determining the distance buildings and other structures shall be set back from streets and highways, the highways of Wood County are divided into the following classes:

A. Class A Highways.

- 1. All State and Federal Highways are hereby designated as Class A highways.
- 2. The setback from Class A highways shall be 110 feet from the center line of the highway or fifty (50) feet from the right-of-way line, whichever is greater.

B. Class B Highways.

- 1. All county trunks are hereby designated as Class B highways. For the purpose of this Ordinance any road will be considered as a county trunk after it has been placed on the county trunk system by the County Board and approved by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation.
- 2. The setback from Class B highways shall be seventy-five (75) feet from the center line of such highway or forty-two (42) feet from the right-of-way line, whichever is greater.

C. Class C Highways.

- 1. All town roads, public streets and highways not otherwise classified, are hereby designated Class C highways.
- 2. The setback from Class C highways shall be sixty-three (63) feet from the center line of such highway or thirty (30) feet from the right-of-way line, whichever is greater.

D. Visual Clearance Triangle.

In each quadrant of every public street intersection and railroad crossing there shall be a visual clearance triangle bounded by the street and/or railroad rights-of-way lines and a line connecting points on them.

- 1. Intersections with speeds of thirty-five (35) miles per hour or greater in both directions of travel:
 - a. Uncontrolled Traffic Sixty (60) feet.
 - b. Controlled Traffic Thirty (30) feet.
- 2. Intersections with speeds of less that thirty-five (35) miles per hour in either direction of travel:
 - a. Fifteen (15) feet.
- 3. Railroad crossings.
 - a. Three hundred (300) feet.

E. Objects Permitted Within Highway Setback Lines and Visual Clearance Triangles:

- 1. Open fences.
- 2. Utility poles and lines, and portable equipment and live stock housings that are readily removable in their entirety.
- 3. The planting and harvesting of field crops, shrubbery and trees except that 704-6

no trees or shrubbery shall be planted within a visual clearance triangle so as to obstruct the view.

(2) Setbacks From Water.

- **A.** All structures, except those listed in Section 704.04(2)B, shall be set back at least seventy-five (75) feet from the ordinary high water mark (OHWM) of surface waters. The elevation of the lowest floor, excluding the basement or crawlway, of residential structures shall be at or above the flood protection elevation for the particular area.
- **B.** Stairs, elevated walkways, motorized lifts, piers and wharves landward of the OHWM are exempted from the shoreland setback requirements provided that the structure is essential to access the shoreline because of steep slopes, rocky or wet unstable soils, and when constructed pursuant to the following:
 - 1. A maximum width of sixty (60) inches (outside dimension) is allowed.
 - 2. Attached benches, seats, tables, etc., are prohibited.
 - 3. Canopies and/or roofs are prohibited. Open railings may be provided where required for safety.
 - 4. Stairways shall be elevated rather than being excavated.
 - 5. Landings are allowed when required for safety purposes and shall not exceed forty (40) square feet.
 - 6. Sidewalks may be allowed within the seventy-five (75) foot setback for access to buildings meeting the setback but shall not exceed sixty (60) inches in width.
 - 7. The structure shall be located so as to minimize earth disturbing activities and shoreland vegetation removal during construction and to be visually inconspicuous and screened by vegetation as viewed from the adjacent water.
- **C. Patios** must be seventy-five (75) feet from the OHWM whether poured-in-place, prefabricated, patio block, brick or stone.
- **D. Private boat landings and ramps** shall be handled under the grading standards in Section 704.06, or by Special Exception.
- **E. Boathouses** shall be set back a minimum of seventy-five (75) feet from the OHWM.
- **F. Piers, wharves, boat shelters** and boat hoists over or in navigable water shall comply with NR 326, Wis. Admin. Code.

G. Retaining walls and terracing shall only be allowed within the setback area where the applicant demonstrates that there is a current erosion problem that cannot be remedied by re-sloping and re-vegetation of the area or other means consistent with natural shoreline aesthetics. Walls and terracing shall not be used to provide level outdoor living space within the setback area. Elevated stairs or walkways shall be used to provide shoreline access rather than terracing.

(3) Reduced Building Setbacks.

A setback less than the required setback may be permitted where there is at least one (1) existing main building on either side of the applicant's building lot within 200 feet of the proposed site that is built to less than the required setback. In such cases, the setback shall be the average of the nearest main building on each side of the proposed site or if there is no building on one side, the average of the setback for the main building on one side and the required setback. Setback averaging shall not be based on adjacent properties where encroachment has been authorized by granting of a variance by the Board of Adjustment. Any other setback must be permitted by the Board of Adjustment according to Section 704.13(6)C.4 of this Ordinance.

(4) Boathouses. The use of a boathouse for human habitation and the construction or placing of a boathouse below the ordinary high-water mark of any navigable waters are prohibited.

(5) Special Zoning Permit.

- **A**. For a special zoning permit must be seventy-five (75) feet from to be issued for a structure within the shoreland setback area, all of the following conditions must be met:
 - 1. The part of the structure that is nearest to the water is located at least thirty-five (35) feet landward from the ordinary high water mark.
 - 2. The total floor area of all the structures existing and proposed in or extending into the shoreland setback area of the property shall not exceed 200 square feet. In calculating this square footage, boathouses, stairs, piers and wharves shall be excluded.
 - 3. The structure that is the subject of the request for a special zoning permit has no sides or has open or screen sides, and has a maximum height from the lowest grade to the highest point of any structure of fifteen (15) feet. Any permitted roof shall not be designed or used as a deck, observation platform, or for other similar uses. The structure or the use of the structure must not be prohibited by other zoning regulations or deed restrictions (e.g. floodplain regulations). Note retaining walls are not included in this classification as they have solid, not open, sides.
 - 4. The owner(s) or their agent must submit a plan that will be implemented by the owner of the property to establish, preserve, enhance and/or restore a vegetative buffer zone that covers at least 70% of the half of the shoreland

setback area that is nearest to the water. The plan must be approved by Code Administrator.

- (a) The shoreland setback for the purpose of this section shall be seventy-five (75) feet or a lesser setback that has been approved by setback averaging, variance, or is a pre-existing non-conforming setback.
- (b) For the plan to be approved, it must be binding on the owner, his/her heirs, successors, and assignees, and must authorize entrance onto the property by county staff for inspections to assure compliance with the plan. The agreement shall be written on forms provided by the Code Administrator and recorded with the Register of Deeds at the owner's expense. This also applies to preservation of an existing natural buffer.
- (c) Failure to comply with the plan and/or subsequent removal of vegetation from the vegetative buffer zone will cause the county to revoke the special zoning permit and order removal of any structure(s) authorized by a special zoning permit.
- (d) To be considered for approval, a plan to establish, preserve, enhance and/or restore a vegetative buffer zone shall, at a minimum, contain:
 - (1) A description of how the landowner intends to carry out the project, including methods, materials and equipment to be used:
 - (2) A proposed schedule and sequence of work activities;
 - (3) The names, descriptions and densities of native species to be utilized in the restoration work, including ground cover, shrubs and tree layers;
 - (4) A description of the site before the project begins and a description of the proposed site once the buffer is completed; and
 - (5) The erosion control measures that will be used during construction of the permitted structure and vegetative buffer zone to control sediment, runoff and protect water quality.
- (e) To be considered for approval, a plan to establish, preserve, enhance and/or restore an existing native vegetative buffer zone shall, at a minimum, contain:
 - (1) A description of how the homeowner intends to maintain the buffer, including any "no mow" plans;
 - (2) Supplemental plantings of native species;
 - (3) Removal of non-native species (e.g. purple loosestrife); and
 - (4) The erosion control measures that will be used during construction of the permitted structure(s) and any disturbance in the vegetative buffer zone due to planting or removal on nonnatives to control sediment, runoff and protect water quality.
- (f) The plan must be implemented and the vegetation must be in a 704-9

- viable, growing condition for at least one growing season before a special zoning permit to build a structure is granted.
- (g) A shoreland grading permit may be required to implement a vegetative buffer zone plan.
- (h) Removal of the shoreland structure permitted by the special zoning permit will not relinquish the recorded agreement or permit the removal, destruction, degradation and/or reduction in size of the shoreland vegetative buffer.

Chapter 704 .05 REMOVAL OF SHORE VEGETATION

- (1) **Purpose** Regulating removal of vegetation cutting along the shore of navigable waters is necessary to protect scenic beauty, control erosion and reduce effluent and nutrient flow from the shoreland. These provisions shall not apply to the removal of dead, diseased or dying trees or shrubbery at the discretion of the landowner, or to silvicultural thinning upon recommendation of a forester.
- (2) Tree and Shrubbery Cutting in a strip paralleling the shoreline and extending thirty-five (35) feet inland from all points along the ordinary high-water mark of the shoreline shall be limited in accordance with the following provisions:
 - **A**. No more than thirty (30) percent of the length of this strip (as measured along the ordinary high-water mark) shall be clear cut to the depth of the strip.
 - **B.** Provided further that cutting of this thirty (30) percent shall not create a clear cut opening in this strip greater than thirty (30) feet wide (measured along the ordinary high-water mark).
 - **C.** In the remaining seventy (70) percent length of this strip (distance measured along the ordinary high-water mark) cutting shall leave sufficient cover to screen cars, dwellings, accessory structures, except boathouses, as seen from the water; and to control erosion.
- (3) Paths, Roads or Passages. Any paths, roads or passages within the strip shall be so constructed or surfaced so as to be effective in controlling erosion.
- (4) **Special Cutting Plan.** In the alternative to 704.05(2), a special cutting plan allowing greater cutting, may be permitted by the Board of Adjustment by issuance of a Special exception Permit (see Section 704.13(3) for procedures). In applying for such a permit the Board may require the lot owners to submit a sketch of his lot including the following information: location of all structures, location of parking, gradient of the land, existing vegetation, proposed cutting and proposed replanting. The Board may grant such a permit only if it finds that special cutting plans:
 - A. Will not cause undue erosion or destruction of scenic beauty, and
 - **B**. Will provide substantial shielding from the water of dwellings, accessory structures 704-10

and parking areas. The Board may condition such a permit upon a guarantee of tree planting by the lot owner. Such an agreement shall be enforceable in court.

Chapter 704 .06 FILLING, GRADING, LAGOONING AND DREDGING

- (1) Filling, grading, lagooning or dredging which would result in substantial detriment to navigable waters by reason of erosion, sedimentation, or impairment of fish and aquatic life shall be prohibited.
- (2) Filling, grading, lagooning, dredging, ditching or excavating in a shoreland-wetland district shall meet the requirements of Section 704.09(3) of this Ordinance.
- (3) A Special Exception Permit shall be required:
 - **A**. For any filling or grading of the bed of a navigable body of water. In addition a permit shall be obtained from the Department of Natural Resources as required by Chapter 30, Wisconsin Statutes.
 - **B**. For any filling or grading of any area which is within three hundred (300) feet horizontal distance of a navigable water and which has surface drainage toward the water and on which there is:
 - 1. Filling or grading on slopes of twenty (20) percent or more.
 - 2. Filling or grading of more than one thousand (1,000) square feet on slopes of 12-20 percent.
 - 3. Filling or grading of more than five thousand (5,000) square feet on slopes of twelve (12) percent.
 - 4. Filling or grading of more than two thousand (2,000) square feet on slopes of twelve (12) percent or less, provided that fill is placed to a depth of two (2) feet or greater. In addition, a permit shall be obtained from the Department of Natural Resources where more than ten thousand (10,000) square feet of the bank of a navigable body of water is exposed by grading as provided in Section 30.19(1)(c), Wisconsin Statues. Section 704.06(3)B of this Ordinance does not apply to soil conservation practices such as terraces, runoff diversions and grassed waterways which are used for sediment retardation. It also does not apply to municipal road or bridge work provided that all local and state floodplain regulations are adhered to.

(4) Lagooning or Dredging.

A Special Exception Permit shall be required before constructing, dredging or commencing work on any artificial waterway, canal, ditch, lagoon, pond, lake or similar waterway which is within three hundred (300) feet of the ordinary high-water mark of a navigable body of water or where the purpose is the ultimate connection with a navigable body of water. This requirement does not apply to soil conservation practices such as terraces, runoff diversions and grassed waterways which are used for sediment retardation; ponds which are less than twenty thousand

(20,000) square feet in size and which are not connected to or located within seventy-five (75) feet of a navigable body of water; and municipal road or bridge work provided that all local and state floodplain regulations are adhered to. In addition, a permit shall be obtained from the Department of Natural Resources or any other state agency having jurisdiction under the provisions of Chapter 30, Wisconsin Statutes. The Board of Adjustment shall evaluate each application according to the provisions of Section 704.06(5) of this Ordinance and may request the County Land Conservation Committee to make available expert assistance from those state and federal agencies which are assisting said Committee under a memorandum of understanding.

(5) Conditions Specified in 704.13(3)B and 704.13(3)C of This Ordinance Attached to Special Exception Permit

In granting a Special Exception Permit for filling, grading, or lagooning or dredging the Board may attach the following conditions, in addition to those specified in Section 704.13(3)B of this Ordinance.

- **A**. The smallest amount of bare ground be exposed for as short a time as feasible.
- **B**. Temporary ground cover such as mulch be used and permanent cover such as sod be planted.
- C. Diversions, silting basins, terraces and other methods to trap sediment be used.
- **D**. Lagooning be conducted in such a manner as to avoid creation of fish trap conditions.
- **E**. Fill is stabilized according to accepted engineering standards.
- **F**. Fill will not restrict a floodway or destroy the storage capacity of a floodplain.
- **G**. Sides of a channel or artificial watercourse be stabilized to prevent slumping.
- **H**. Sides of channels or artificial watercourses be constructed with side slopes of two (2) units horizontal distance to one (1) unit vertical or flatter, unless bulkheads or riprapping are provided.

Chapter 704 .07 NON-CONFORMING USES

The existing lawful use of a structure or premise which is not in conformity with the provisions of this Ordinance may be continued subject to the following conditions:

(1) Use Expansion and Enlargement. No such use shall be expanded or enlarged except in conformity with the provisions of this Ordinance without the granting of a variance by the Board of Adjustment.

- (2) **Structural Changes.** No structural alteration, addition or repair to any non-conforming building, as long as such use continues, shall exceed 50 percent of its assessed value except upon granting of a variance by the Board of Adjustment or permanently changing the non-conforming building or structure to a conforming use.
- (3) **Discontinued Uses.** If such use is discontinued for twelve (12) consecutive months, any future use of the building and premises shall conform to this Ordinance. The Assessor shall notify the Code Administrator in writing of instances on non-conforming uses which have been discontinued for a period of twelve (12) consecutive months.
- (4) Failing Sewage Systems. Existing methods of waste disposal which constitute a public nuisance under state law or the terms of this Ordinance shall not be permitted to continue as non-conforming uses.
- (5) **Boathouses.** The maintenance and repair of non-conforming boathouses which are located below the ordinary high water mark of any navigable waters shall comply with the requirements of Section 30.121, Wisconsin Statutes.

Chapter 704.08 ZONING DISTRICT MAPS

- (1) Shoreland Zoning Maps. The Shorelands of Wood County are hereby divided into the following districts which are described in Sections 704.09, 704.10 and 704.11 of this Ordinance: (1) Shoreland-Wetland District; (2) Recreational-Residential District; and (3) General Purpose District.
 - **A**. The following United States Geological Survey map sheets, along with the Wetland Inventory Maps adopted by Section 704.09(1) of this Ordinance, are designated the Shoreland Zoning Map of Wood County, Wisconsin:
 - 1. N.E. City Point Quadrangle
 - 2. S.E. City Point Quadrangle
 - 3. Marshfield Quadrangle
 - 4. Rocky Run Quadrangle
 - 5. Pittsville Quadrangle
 - 6. N.W. Meehan Quadrangle
 - 7. Wisconsin Rapids Quadrangle
 - 8. Kellner Quadrangle
 - 9. Coloma N.W. Quadrangle
 - 10. Arkdale N.W. Quadrangle
 - 11. Arkdale N.E. Quadrangle
 - 12. N.W. Mather Quadrangle
 - 13. N.E. New Minor Quadrangle
 - 14. N.W. Finley Quadrangle
 - 15. N.E. Big Eau Pleine Reservoir Quadrangle
 - 16. Honey Island N.W. Quadrangle
 - 17. S.E. Junction City Quadrangle

- 18. Granton Quadrangle
- 19. S.W. Sherry Quadrangle
- **B**. The map entitled "Lakes and Streams of Wood County" will be used for location of lakes and streams within the County. The U.S.G.S. Quadrangle sheets and the Wetland Inventory Maps adopted under Section704.09(1) of this Ordinance shall be used as the zoning maps for regulatory purposes.

Chapter 704 .09 SHORELAND-WETLAND DISTRICT

- (1) **Designation.** This district includes all shorelands within the jurisdiction of this Ordinance designated as wetlands on the Wetland Inventory Maps and subsequent amendments thereto which are hereby adopted and made part of this Ordinance and on file in the Wood County Planning and Zoning Office.
- (2) **Purpose.** Wetlands are areas where groundwater is at, near or above the land surface long enough to be capable of supporting aquatic or hydrophytic vegetation and which have soils indicative of wet conditions. When development is permitted in a wetland, the development should occur in a manner that minimizes adverse impacts upon the wetland.
- (3) **Permitted Uses.** The following uses shall be allowed, subject to the general shoreland zoning regulations of this Ordinance, and the provisions of other state and federal laws, if applicable:
 - **A**. Activities and uses which do not require the issuance of a Zoning Permit, but which must be carried out without filling, flooding, draining, dredging, ditching, tiling or excavating:
 - 1. Hiking, fishing, trapping, hunting, swimming and boating;
 - 2. The harvesting of wild crops, such as marsh hay, ferns, moss, wild rice, berries, tree fruits and tree seeds, in a manner that is not injurious to the natural reproduction of such crops;
 - 3. The practice of silviculture, including the planting, thinning and harvesting of timber, except as required in Section 704.05 of this Ordinance;
 - 4. The pasturing of livestock and the construction and maintenance of fences, except that farm animals shall be kept at least 100 feet from non-farm residences:
 - 5. The cultivation of agricultural crops;
 - 6. The construction and maintenance of duck blinds;
 - 7. The maintenance of piers, docks, and walkways, including those built on pilings; and
 - 8. The maintenance, repair, replacement and reconstruction of existing town and county highways and bridges.
 - **B**. Uses which do not require the issuance of a Zoning Permit and which may involve filling, flooding, draining, dredging, ditching, tiling or excavating to the extent specifically 704-14

provided below:

- 1. Temporary water level stabilization measures, in the practice of silviculture, which are necessary to alleviate abnormally wet or dry conditions that would have an adverse impact on the conduct of silvicultural activities if not corrected;
- 2. Ditching, tiling, dredging, excavating or filling done to maintain or repair existing agricultural drainage systems only to the extent necessary to maintain the level of drainage required to continue the existing agricultural use.
- **C**. Uses which are allowed upon the issuance of a Zoning Permit:
 - 1. The construction and maintenance of roads which are necessary to conduct silvicultural activities or are necessary for agricultural cultivation, provided that:
 - (a) The road cannot as a practical matter be located outside the wetland; and
 - (b) The road is designed and constructed to minimize the adverse impact upon the natural functions of the wetland and meets the following standards:
 - (1) The road shall be designed and constructed as a single lane roadway with only such depth and width necessary to accommodate the machinery required to conduct silvicultural and agricultural activities;
 - (2) Road construction activities are to be carried out in the immediate area of the roadbed only; and
 - (3) Any filling, flooding, draining, dredging, tiling or excavating that is to be done must be necessary for the construction or maintenance of the road.
 - 2. The construction and maintenance of non-residential buildings used solely in conjunction with raising of waterfowl, minnows or other wetland or aquatic animals or used solely for some other purpose which is compatible with wetland preservation, if such building cannot as a practical matter be located outside the wetland, provided that:
 - (a) Any such building does not exceed 500 square feet in floor area; and
 - (b) No filling, flooding, draining, dredging, ditching, tiling or excavating is to be done.
 - 3. The establishment and development of public and private parks and recreation areas, boat access sites, natural and outdoor education areas, historic and scientific areas, wildlife refuges, game preserves and private wildlife habitat areas, provided that:
 - (a) Any private recreation or wildlife habitat area must be used 704-15

exclusively for that purpose;

- (b) No filling is to be done, except for limited filling and grading necessary for the construction of a boat access site;
- (c) Ditching, excavating, dredging, dike and dam construction may be done in wildlife refuges, game preserves and private wildlife habitat areas, but only for the purpose of improving wildlife habitat or to otherwise enhance wetland values.
- 4. The construction and maintenance of electric, gas, telephone, water and sewer transmission and distribution lines, and related facilities, by public utilities and cooperative associations organized for the purpose of producing or furnishing heat, light, power or water to their members, provided that:
 - (a) The transmission and distribution lines and related facilities cannot as a practical matter be located outside the wetland; and
 - (b) Any filling, excavating, ditching or draining that is to be done is necessary for construction or maintenance and must be done in a manner designed to minimize flooding and other adverse impacts upon the natural functions of the wetlands.
- 5. The construction and maintenance of railroad lines, provided that:
 - (a) The railroad lines cannot as a practical matter be located outside the wetland; and
 - (b) Any filling, excavating, draining or dredging that is to be done must be necessary for such construction or maintenance and must be done in a manner designed to minimize flooding and other adverse impacts upon the natural functions of the wetland.
- **(4) Special Exceptions.** The following uses are permitted upon issuance of a Special Exception Permit as provided in Section 704.13(3) of this Ordinance, and issuance of a Department of Natural Resources and/or Army Corps of Engineers permit when required:
 - **A**. Dams, dikes, power plants, flowages, ponds;
 - **B**. Relocation of any water course; and
 - **C**. Piers, docks, boathouses.
- (5) **Prohibited Uses.** Any use not listed in Section 704.06(3)A, 704.09(3)B, 704.09(3)C, 704.09(4)A, 704.09(4)B or 704.09(4)C of this Ordinance is prohibited, unless the wetland or a portion of the wetland has been rezoned by amendment of this Ordinance.
- (6) Rezoning of Lands in the Shoreland-Wetland District.
 - **A**. For all proposed text and map amendments to the Shoreland-Wetland district, the appropriate district and area office of the Department of Natural Resources shall be

provided with the following:

- 1. A copy of every petition for a text or map amendment to the Shoreland-Wetland district, within 5 days of the filing of such petition with the County Clerk;
- 2. Written notice of the public hearing to be held on a proposed amendment, at least 10 days prior to such hearing;
- 3. A copy of the County Planning and Zoning Committee's findings and recommendations on each proposed amendment, within 10 days after the submission of those findings and recommendations to the County Board; and
- 4. Written notice of the County Board's decision on the proposed amendment, within 10 days after it is issued.
- **B**. A wetland, or a portion thereof, in the Shoreland-Wetland district shall not be rezoned if the proposed rezoning may result in a significant adverse impact upon any of the following:
 - 1. Storm and flood water storage capacity;
 - 2. Maintenance of dry season stream flow, the discharge of groundwater to a wetland, the recharge of groundwater from a wetland to another area, or the flow of groundwater through a wetland;
 - 3. Filtering or storage of sediments, nutrients, heavy metals or organic compounds that would otherwise drain into navigable waters;
 - 4. Shoreline protection against soil erosion;
 - 5. Fish spawning, breeding, nursery or feeding grounds;
 - 6. Wildlife habitat: or
 - 7. Areas of special recreational, scenic or scientific interest, including scarce wetland types.
- C. If the Department of Natural Resources has notified the County Planning and Zoning Committee that a proposed amendment to the Shoreland-Wetland district may have a significant adverse impact upon any of the criteria listed in Section 704.09(6)B of this Ordinance, that amendment shall meet the provisions of NR 115.05(2)(e)9, Wisconsin Administrative Code.

Chapter 704.10 RECREATIONAL - RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT

(1) Designation

This district includes all shorelands, not within the Shoreland-Wetland District, that are adjacent to the following lakes, ponds, flowages, rivers and streams or designated portions thereof:

A. The myigable lakes and streams of Wood County that are shown on the map "Lakes and Streams of Wood County" and/or listed in the publication "Surface Water Resources of Wood County".

(2) **Purpose.** The purpose of the Recreational-Residential District is to protect the waters and shorelands of Wood County by providing for safe and orderly shoreland development. Recreational - residential shorelands are particularly suited for residential and recreational uses.

In this district residential, recreational, agricultural and conservancy uses are permitted, and a limited number of commercial uses serving recreational needs are allowed as special exceptions. These uses are consistent with maximum recreational uses of the water and its shorelands.

All permitted uses or special exceptions are subject to the general provisions of this Ordinance, the provisions of this Section, and all other applicable laws and regulations.

(3) Permitted Uses.

- **A**. Any use permitted under Section 704.09(3).
- **B**. Year round single family dwellings for owner occupancy, rent or lease.
- **C**. Seasonal single family dwellings for owner occupancy, rent or lease.
- **D**. Accessory uses.
 - 1. The parking or storage of not more than three (3) recreational vehicles on a developed residential parcel is a permitted use, provided setback standards are met. The storage of more than three (3) recreational vehicles shall require a special exception permit.
- **E**. Signs of the following type, size and location provided that any sign intended to be read from the water shall be set back seventy-five (75) feet from the ordinary high-water mark, shall be attached to a building, and shall not exceed thirty (30) square feet in gross area. No sign shall be located, erected, moved, reconstructed, extended, enlarged or structurally altered until a zoning permit has been issued. Signs listed in subparagraphs (2), (3) and (6) below shall not require a permit.
 - 1. Directory signs advertising a business or activity conducted, an area of interest, or service available, at a specific location within the County. Such signs shall be not more that twelve (12) square feet in gross area. There shall not be more than two (2) such signs relating to any one such use in the approaching direction along any one highway. No such sign shall be more than ten (10) miles away from the location to which it relates or within 300 feet of an existing residence. Such signs may be placed at the right-of-way line of the highway. A larger number of signs may be permitted by the Board of Adjustment if the Board shall find it necessary for directing the traveling public.
 - 2. Signs advertising a customary occupation or professional office. Such signs shall not exceed six (6) square feet in gross area, shall be attached to the building, and if illuminated, shall be indirectly lighted.
 - 3. Signs advertising the sale, rent or lease of the property on which the sign is placed or other temporary signs. Such signs shall not exceed eight (8) square

feet in gross area and may be placed at the right-of-way line of the highway.

- 4. Signs attached to commercial and industrial buildings advertising a business conducted or a service available on the premises. No sign shall exceed forty (40) square feet in gross area, be higher than four (4) feet above the top of the roof line or exceed the maximum height limitation permitted in the district.
- 5. On-premise signs advertising a public or semi-public use. Such signs shall not exceed twelve (12) square feet in gross area. There shall be no more than one sign for each highway upon which the property faces. Such signs may be placed at the right-of-way line of the highway.
- 6. Recreational directory signs indicating the direction to a cottage, resort, residence or similar use. Such signs shall not be more than four (4) square feet in gross area. Where a common posting standard is provided all such signs shall be attached to the standard. Recreational directory signs may be placed at the right-of-way line of the highway.

7. Prohibited Characteristics of Signs.

- (a) No sign shall be so placed as to interfere with the visibility or effectiveness of any official traffic sign or with driver vision at any access point or intersection.
- (b) No sign shall contain, include or be illuminated by flashing light or by any light directed toward a neighboring residence or toward the water.
- (c) No sign shall contain, include or be composed of any conspicuous movable or animated part.

(4) Special Exceptions

The following uses are permitted upon issuance of a Special Exception Permit according to the procedure set forth in Section 704.13(3) of this Ordinance, and upon issuance of a Department of Natural Resources or Army Corps of Engineers permit when required.

- **A**. Hotels, resorts (including two or more seasonal family dwellings for rent or lease), motels, restaurants, dinner clubs, taverns, and other private clubs.
- **B**. Institutions of a philanthropic or educational nature.
- C. Recreational camps and campgrounds provided all buildings shall be more than 100 feet from the side lot line. Recreational camps and campgrounds shall conform to the applicable Wisconsin Administrative Codes.
- **D**. Gift and specialty shops customarily found in recreational areas.
- **E.** Marinas, boat liveries; sale of bait, fishing equipment, boats and motors; fish farm; forest industries.
- **F**. Mobile home parks provided:

- 1. The minimum size of a mobile home park shall be ten (10) acres.
- 2. The maximum number of mobile homes shall be ten (10) per acre.
- 3. Minimum dimensions of a mobile home site shall be fifty (50) feet wide by eighty-five (85) feet long.
- 4. All drives, parking areas and walkways shall be hard surfaced.
- 5. In addition to the requirements of Section 704.04 of this Ordinance, there shall be a minimum setback of forty (40) feet from all other exterior lot lines.
- 6. The parks shall conform to all the requirements of the applicable Wisconsin Administrative Codes.
- 7. No mobile home site shall be rented for a period of less than thirty (30) days.
- 8. Each mobile home shall be separated from other mobile homes by a yard not less than twenty (20) feet wide.
- 9. There shall be two (2) surfaced automobile parking spaces for each mobile home.
- 10. Unless adequately screened by existing vegetative cover the mobile home park shall be screened by a temporary planting of fast growing material, capable of reaching a height of fifteen (15) feet or more, such as hybrid poplar; and a permanent evergreen planting, such as white or Norway pine, the individual trees to be such a number that within ten years they will have formed a screen equivalent in capacity to a solid fence or wall. Such permanent planting shall be grown or maintained to a height of not less than fifteen (15) feet.

G. Recreational vehicle (RV) parks provided:

- 1. The minimum size of a RV park shall be five (5) acres.
- 2. The maximum number of RV's shall be fifteen (15) per acre.
- 3. Minimum dimensions of a RV site shall be twenty-five (25) feet wide by forty feet long.
- 4. Each RV site shall be separated from other trailer sites by a yard not less than fifteen (15) feet wide.
- 5. There shall be 1 ½ automobile parking spaces for each RV site.
- 6. In addition to the requirement of Section 4.0 of this Ordinance there shall be a minimum setback of forty (40) feet from all other exterior lot lines.
- 7. It shall conform to the requirements of the applicable Wisconsin Administrative Codes.
- 8. The screening provisions for mobile homes are met.

H. All special exceptions listed in Section 704.09(4).

- **I**. General farming provided that farm animals shall be kept at least 100 feet from any non-farm residence.
- **K**. Removal of topsoil or peat.
- L. Sanitary landfills.

(5) Tree-cutting Regulations

Tree-cutting regulations as set forth in Section 704.05 of this Ordinance shall apply.

Chapter 704 .11 GENERAL PURPOSE DISTRICT

(1) Designation

This district includes all shorelands adjacent to lakes, ponds, flowages, rivers and streams within the jurisdiction of this Ordinance, which are not included in the (1) Shoreland-Wetland district or (2) Residential-Recreational district.

(2) Purpose

Areas other than those contained in the Shoreland-Wetland district Recreational-Residential district are potentially suited to a wide range of uses, including industrial, commercial, agricultural, residential and recreational uses. Selecting prospective locations for these uses and designating specific zones for each of them along navigable waters will require detailed, county- wide comprehensive planning. Until such planning is undertaken and more detailed amendments to this Ordinance can be enacted, a General Purpose District will be used to allow a wide range of uses, subject to the general provisions of this Ordinance which are designated to: further the maintenance of safe and healthful conditions; protect spawning grounds, fish and aquatic life; and preserve shore cover and natural beauty. Minimum separating distances are provided to reduce conflicts between potentially incompatible uses.

(3) Permitted Uses

Commercial, agricultural, residential and recreational uses are permitted providing they comply with the provisions of this Ordinance, and providing any non-residential structures be located at least fifty (50) feet from a property line. Farm animals shall be kept at least 100 feet from any residential dwelling on a non-farm lot.

(4) Special Exceptions

- **A**. Industrial uses may be permitted upon issuance of a Special Exception Permit by the Board of Adjustment as provided in Section 704.13(3) of this Ordinance. Any intended discharge of new waste into surface waters must be reported to the Department of Natural Resources and approved by the Department as provided in Chapter 144 or 147, Wisconsin Statutes.
- **B**. Junkyards and sanitary landfills may be permitted upon issuance of a Special Exception Permit by the Board of Adjustment (see Section 13.3).

(5) Tree-cutting Regulations

Tree-cutting regulations as set forth in Section 704.05 shall apply.

Chapter 704 .12 OFF-STREET PARKING AND LOADING

(1) Loading Space

All commercial and industrial uses shall provide sufficient maneuvering, loading, and parking space on the premises for pick-up, delivery and service vehicles necessary for normal operations.

(2) Off-Street Parking

Each parking space shall be at least 200 feet square in area. Each use shall provide the following minimum off-street parking space.

- **A. Dwelling** One (1) space for each dwelling unit.
- **B.** Restaurants, taverns and similar establishments One (1) space for each fifty (50) square feet of floor space devoted to patrons.
- **C. Drive-in eating stands** offering in-car service Five (5) spaces for each person employed to serve customers.
- **D.** Motels and tourist cabins One (1) space for each unit.
- **E. Retail business** and service establishments One (1) space for each 200 square feet of floor area.
- **F.** Industrial uses and ware houses One (1) space for each two (2) employees on the premises at a maximum employment on the main shift.
- **G.** Service stations Parking for all vehicles used directly in the conduct of the business; plus two (2) spaces for each gas pump; plus three (3) spaces for each grease rack.
- **H**. Any use not specifically named shall be assigned to the most appropriate classification by the Code Administrator subject to appeal to the Board of Adjustment.

Chapter 704 .13 ADMINISTRATION

(1) Code Administrator

There is hereby created the office of Code Administrator. The Code Administrator shall exercise the following duties and powers:

- **A**. Advise applicants as to the provisions of this Ordinance and assist them in preparing permit applications.
- **B**. Issue permits and inspect properties for compliance with this Ordinance.
- **C**. Keep records of all permits issued, inspections made, work approved, and other official actions.
- **D**. Report violations of this Ordinance and other applicable regulations to the Planning and Zoning Committee and Corporation Counsel.

(2) Zoning Permit

- **A**. Cases when Zoning Permit is required:
 - 1. Before any building or other structure is erected, moved or structurally altered so as to change its use or increase its floor area.
 - 2. Before any new or change in land use.
 - 3. Before the commencement of any activity that is exempt from the Special Exception Permit requirements of Section 704.06 of this Ordinance.
- **B**. Application for Zoning Permit.

An application for a Zoning Permit shall be made to the Code Administrator upon forms furnished and shall include, for the purpose of proper enforcement of these regulations, the following data:

- 1. Name and address of the applicant and property owner.
- 2. Legal description of the property and type of proposed use.
- 3. A sketch of the dimensions of the lot and location of buildings from the lot lines, center line of abutting highways and the high water mark of any abutting watercourse and water mark at the day of the sketch.
- 4. The Sanitary Permit number where a private sewage system is to be utilized.

(3) Special Exception Permit.

A. Application for Special Exception Permit

Any use listed as a special exception in this Ordinance shall be permitted only upon application to the Code Administrator and issuance of a Special Exception Permit by the Board of Adjustment.

B. Standards Applicable to all Special Exceptions.

In passing upon a Special Exception Permit the Board of Adjustment shall evaluate the effect of the proposed use upon:

- 1. The maintenance of the safe and healthful conditions.
- 2. The prevention and control of water pollution including sedimentation.
- 3. Existing topographic and drainage features and vegetative cover on the site.
- 4. The location of the site with respect to floodplains and floodways of rivers or streams.
- 5. The erosion potential of the site based upon degree and direction of slope, soil type and vegetative cover.
- 6. The location of the site with respect to existing or future access roads.
- 7. The need of the proposed use for a shoreland location.
- 8. Its compatibility with uses on adjacent land.
- 9. The amount of liquid wastes to be generated and the adequacy of the proposed systems.
- 10. Locational factors under which:
 - a. Domestic uses shall be generally preferred;
 - b. Uses not inherently a source pollution within an area shall be preferred over uses that are or may be a pollution source.
 - c. Use locations within an area tending to minimize the possibility of pollution shall be preferred over use locations tending to increase that possibility.

C. Conditions Attached to Special Exceptions.

Upon consideration of the factors listed above, the Board of Adjustment may attach such conditions, in addition to those required elsewhere in this Ordinance, that it deems necessary in furthering the purposes of this Ordinance. Violations of any of these conditions shall be deemed a violation of this Ordinance. Such conditions may include specifications for, without limitation because of specific enumeration; type of shore cover, increased setbacks and yards; specified sewage disposal and water supply facilities; landscaping and planting screens; period of operation; operational control sureties; deed restrictions; locations of piers, docks, parking and signs; type of construction or any other requirements necessary to fulfill the purpose and intent of this Ordinance. In order to secure information upon which to base its determination the Board of Adjustment may require the applicant to furnish, in addition to the information required for a Zoning Permit, the following information:

- 1. A plan of the area showing contours, soil types, high water mark, groundwater conditions, bedrock, slope and vegetative cover.
- 2. Location of buildings, parking areas, traffic access, driveways, walkways, piers, open spaces and landscaping.
- 3. Plans of buildings, sewage disposal facilities, water supply systems, and arrangements of operations.
- 4. Specifications for areas of proposed filling, grading, lagooning or dredging.
- 5. Other pertinent information necessary to determine if the proposed use meets the requirements of this Ordinance. The Board of Adjustment may request the County Land Conservation Committee to make available expert

assistance from those state and federal agencies which are assisting said Committee under a memorandum of understanding and any other state or federal agency which can provide technical assistance.

(4) Notice and Public Hearing

Before passing upon an application for any Special Exception Permit the Board of Adjustment shall hold a public hearing. Notice of such public hearing specifying the time, place, and matters to come before the Board shall be given in the manner specified in Section 904.13(6)C. The Board shall state in writing the grounds for refusing a Special Exception Permit.

(5) Fees, Recording, Termination and Certificate of Compliance

A. Fees

The applicant, upon filing of his application shall pay a fee to the Code Administrator in accordance with the following schedule:

- 1. Zoning Permit \$20.00 plus \$1.00 for each \$1,000 of construction over \$20,000 but not to exceed \$50.00.
 - (a) All action authorized by each Zoning Permit shall be completed within two (2) years from date of issuance, after which such permit shall be void.
- 2. Special Exception Permit \$25.00 plus \$1.00 for each \$1,000 of construction over \$25.000 not to exceed \$75.00.
 - (a) All action authorized by each Special Exception Permit shall be completed within two (2) years from date of issuance, after which such permit shall be void.
- 3. Board of Adjustment Public Hearing
 - (a) Special Exception Request \$200.00
 - (b) Variance Request \$200.00
 - (c) Administrative Appeal \$200.00
- 4. Permit Renewal \$15.00
 - (a) For action authorized by a permit, but which is not completed within the 2-year permit period, that permit, prior to expiration, may be renewed for a period of one (1) year. No more than three (3) 1-year renewals may be granted for each permit.

B. Recording

When a Special Exception Permit is approved, an appropriate record shall be made of the land use and structure permitted, and such grant shall be applicable solely to the structures, use and property so described.

C. Termination

Where a Special Exception does not continue in conformity with the conditions of the original approval, the Special Exception shall be terminated by action of the Board of Adjustment.

D. Certificate of Compliance.

No vacant land shall be occupied or used and no building hereafter erected, altered or moved on the shorelands of any river, stream, pond, lake or flowage until a Certificate of Compliance shall have been issued by the Code Administrator.

(6) Board of Adjustment

A. Establishment

There is hereby established a Board of Adjustment for the purpose of hearing appeals and applications, and granting variances and Special Exception Permits according to the provisions of the Shoreland Zoning Ordinance. The chairman of the Wood County Board of Supervisors is hereby directed to appoint a Board of Adjustment according to Section 59.694 of the Wisconsin Statutes.

B. Membership

The Board of Adjustment shall consist of five (5) members to be appointed by the Chairman of the County Board with the approval of the County Board for terms of three (3) years beginning July 1. The terms of the first members so appointed shall be for 1, 2 and 3 years respectively. At least one (1) of the original appointees shall be a member of the Zoning Committee which prepared this Ordinance. The members of the Board of Adjustment shall all reside within Wood County and outside the limits of incorporated villages and cities; provided that no two (2) members shall reside in the same town. All members of the Board of Adjustment shall be County Board members when their appointments are made. The Board of Adjustment shall be compensated at the same per diem and mileage rates as paid the County Board of Supervisors.

C. Rules

- 1. Meetings. All meetings of the Board of Adjustment shall be open to the public, except that closed sessions may be held when deliberating cases following public hearings, pursuant to Section 985 (1)(a), Wisconsin Statutes.
- 2. Public Hearing Notices. Notice of any public hearing which the Board of Adjustment is required to hold under the terms of this Ordinance shall specify the date, time and place of hearing and the matters to come before the Board of

Adjustment at such hearing and notice shall be given in each of the following ways:

- (a) By publication in the Wood County newspapers a CLASS 2 NOTICE pursuant to Chapter 985, Wisconsin Statutes.
- (b) By posting, not less than ten (10) days prior to the date of such hearing, in each of the public places in which official notices are usually published, in each town affected by the matters to come before the Board of Adjustment at such hearing.
- (c) By Affidavit of Mailing to the parties having a legal interest in any of the matters to come before the Board of Adjustment during the public hearing.
- 3. Special Exception Permits. To grant or deny Special Exception Permits in accordance with the standards set forth under Section 704.13(3)B of this Ordinance.

4. Variances.

- (a) The Board of Adjustment may, upon appeal, grant a variance from the dimensional standards of this Ordinance where an applicant convincingly demonstrates that:
 - (1) Literal enforcement of the provisions of the Ordinance will result in practical difficulty or unnecessary hardship on the applicant;
 - (2) The hardship is due to adoption of the shoreland ordinance and special conditions unique to the property, not common to a group of adjacent lots or premises (in such case the ordinance or map must be amended);
 - (3) Such variance is not contrary to the public interest;
 - (4) Such variance is consistent with the purpose of this Ordinance in Section 704.01(3).

(b) A variance shall not:

- (1) Grant, extend or increase any use prohibited in the zoning district:
- (2) Be granted for a hardship based solely on an economic gain or loss:
- (3) Be granted for a hardship which is self-created;
- (4) Damage the rights or property values of another person in the area:
- (5) Allow any floor of a basement σ crawlway below the regional flood elevation for residential or commercial structures;
- (6) Allow actions which require amendments under Section 704.14 of this Ordinance; nor

(7) Allow any alteration of an historic structure, including its use, which would preclude its continued use designation as an historic structure.

D. Appeals to the Board of Adjustment

- 1. Appeals to the Board may be taken by a person aggrieved or by an officer, department, board or bureau of the municipality affected by any zoning decision of the Code Administrator or the Planning and Zoning Committee. Such appeal shall be taken within a reasonable time, as provided by the rules of the Board, by filing with the Code Administrator and the Board a Notice of Appeal specifying the grounds thereof. The Code Administrator shall forthwith transmit to the Board all of the papers constituting the record upon which the action appealed from was taken.
- 2. The Board of Adjustment shall fix a reasonable time for the hearing of the appeal, give public notice thereof, as well as due notice to the parties in interest, and decide the same within a reasonable time. Upon the hearing, any party may appear in person, or by agent or by attorney.
- **E**. Written notice shall be given to the appropriate district and area office of the Department of Natural Resources at least 10 days prior to hearings on proposed special exceptions or appeals for variances. Copies of any decisions shall be submitted to the district and area office within 10 days after they are issued.

Chapter 704 .14 CHANGES AND AMENDMENTS

The County Board of Supervisors of Wood County, Wisconsin, may from time to time, alter, supplement or change the boundaries of use districts and the regulations contained in this Ordinance in the manner provided by law.

- (1) **Petition Process.** Amendments to this Ordinance may be made on petition of any interested party in accordance with the provisions of s.59.69(5), Wisconsin Statutes.
- (2) Copies of any amendment proposed to the County Board of Supervisors shall be referred by that Board to the County Planning and Zoning Committee, and shall be forwarded by that Committee together with the first notice of public hearing to the district and area office of the Department of Natural Resources at least ten (10) days prior to such hearing.
- **(3) Publication Costs.** The publication costs of public hearing notices and the Affidavit of Publication of said notice shall be paid for by the petitioner.
- **(4) DNR Notification.** A copy of the action taken by the County Board of Supervisors on all amendments shall be forwarded to the district and area office of the Department of Natural Resources within ten (10) days after it is issued.

Chapter 704.15 ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES

(1) Any building or structure hereinafter erected, moved or structurally altered or any use hereinafter established in violation of the provisions of this Ordinance by any person, firm, association, corporation (including building contractors) or his or their agent shall be deemed an unlawful structure or use. The Code Administrator shall report all violations of this Ordinance to the Planning and Zoning Committee. The Code Administrator may sign a complaint and report the violation to the Municipal Attorney. It shall be the duty of the Municipal Attorney to expeditiously prosecute all violators.

A violator shall upon conviction, forfeit to the County a penalty of not less than \$25.00 together with the court cost in such action and not more than \$200.00, and every day the violation continues shall constitute a separate offense.

- (2) Every structure, building, fill or development placed or maintained within any shoreland in violation of this ordinance is a public nuisance and the creation thereof may be enjoined and maintenance thereof may be abated by action at suit of the county, the state or any citizen thereof.
- (3) As required by s. 59.692(1t), Wis. Stats., where a building or structure violates the dimensional or use standards of this Ordinance, and the violating building or structure has been in place more than ten (10) years before an enforcement action is initiated, such building or structure shall be treated as a legal nonconforming structure. All provisions of Section 704.07 of this Ordinance shall apply to such nonconforming buildings or structures.
- (4) Any property owner asserting as a defense to a charge of violating this Ordinance that the alleged violation has been in place more than ten (10) years before enforcement action was initiated, has the burden of proving that:
 - **A.** The building or structure that is in violation has been in place more than ten (10) years before enforcement action was initiated;
 - **B.** That the building or structure (and its use, if the use is nonconforming) has remained essentially unchanged for at least ten (10) years; and
 - **C.** That the use of the building or structure has been active and continual for ten (10) years or more. If use was discontinued for more than twelve (12) months, that use shall not be considered active and continual.

Chapter 704 .16 DEFINITIONS

For the purpose of this Ordinance, certain terms or words used herein shall be interpreted as follows: Words used in the present tense include the future; words in the singular number include the plural number. The word "shall" is mandatory, not permissive. All distances unless otherwise specified shall be measured horizontally.

Accessory Use or Structure - A use or detached structure subordinate to the principal use of a structure, land, or water and located on the same lot or parcel serving a purpose customarily incidental to the principal use or principal structure. Accessory uses include incidental repairs; storage parking facilities; pet shelters; guest's, servant's, owner's, itinerant agricultural laborer's, and watchmen's quarters not for rent; private swimming pools; and private emergency shelters.

Basement - That portion of any structure located partly below the average adjoining lot grade.

<u>Boathouse</u> - Any structure designed for the purpose of protecting or storing boats for non-commercial purposes. Boathouses shall not be used for human habitation.

Building - Any structure having a roof supported by columns or walls used or intended to be used for shelter or enclosure of persons, animals, equipment, machinery or materials.

Building Line - The nearest point to a street or normal high water line at which a building may be constructed excluding uncovered steps.

Bulkhead Line - A geographic line along a reach of a navigable waterway that has been adopted by a municipal ordinance and approved by the Department of Natural Resources pursuant to Chapter 30, Wisconsin Statutes, and which allows complete filling on the landward side.

Channel - A natural or artificial watercourse of perceptible extent, with definite bed and banks to confine and conduct continuously or periodically flowing water.

Channel Flow - This is that water which is flowing within the limits of the defined channel.

<u>Corner Lot</u> - A lot abutting two or more streets at their intersection provided that the corner of such intersection shall have an angle of 135 degrees or less measured on the lot side of the streets.

<u>Drainage System</u> - One or more artificial ditches, tile drains or similar devices which collect surface runoff or groundwater and convey it to a point of discharge.

Flood - A temporary rise in stream flow or stage that results in water overtopping its banks and inundating areas adjacent to the channel.

<u>Floodplain</u> - That land which has been or may hereafter be covered by flood water during the regional flood. The floodplain includes the floodway and the flood fringe as those terms are defined in Chapter NR 116, Wisconsin Administrative Code.

Household Occupation - Any occupation for gain or support conducted entirely within buildings by resident occupants which is customarily incidental to the principal use of the premises, does not exceed twenty-five (25) percent of the area of any floor, uses only household equipment, and no stock-in-trade is kept or sold except that made on the premises. A household occupation includes such uses as baby sitting, millinery, dressmaking, canning, laundering, crafts, barbering, beauty shops, real estate brokerage, and photographic studios, but does not include the display of any goods.

Lot - A parcel of land having frontage on a public street, occupied or intended to be occupied by a principal structure or use and sufficient in size to meet the lot width, lot area, yard, parking area and other open space provisions of this Ordinance.

Mobile Home - A detached single family dwelling unit designed for long-term occupancy; and containing sleeping accommodations, a flush toilet, a tub or shower bath, and kitchen facilities; with plumbing and electrical connections provided for attachment to outside systems; which is designed to be transported on its own wheels.

Navigable Waters - All Wisconsin natural inland lakes, streams, ponds sloughs, flowages and other waters within the territorial limits of Wood County, Wisconsin which are navigable under the laws of the State of Wisconsin. Under s.281.31(2m), Wisconsin Statutes, shoreland ordinances do not apply to lands adjacent to farm drainage ditches if;

- (1) Such lands are not adjacent to a natural navigable stream or river;
- (2) Those parts of the drainage ditches adjacent to these lands were nonnavigable streams before ditching; and
- (3) Such lands are maintained in non-structural agricultural use.

Nonconforming Uses or Structures - Any structure, land or water lawfully used, occupied or erected at the time of the effective date of this Ordinance or amendments thereto which does not conform to the regulations of this Ordinance or amendments thereto. Any structure conforming in respect to use but not in respect to frontage, width, height, area, yard, parking or distance requirements shall be considered a nonconforming structure and not a nonconforming use.

Ordinary High-Water Mark - That point on the bank or shore up to which the presence and action of surface water is so continuous as to leave a distinctive mark such as erosion, destruction or prevention of terrestrial vegetation, predominance of aquatic vegetation, or other easily recognized characteristics.

Pier - A structure extending channelward, or more or less perpendicular out from the shore, with water on both sides, built or maintained for the purpose of providing a berth for watercraft or for loading or unloading cargo or passengers onto or from watercraft. (Generally any construction whose dimensions and accessories go beyond what is reasonably necessary to berth watercraft or load or unload cargo or passengers is not authorized as a pier by statute; see Chapter 30, Wisconsin Statutes.)

Professional Home Office - Residence of physicians, practitioners, dentists, clergymen, architects, landscape architects, professional engineers, registered land surveyors, lawyers, artists teachers, authors, musicians, or other recognized professions used to conduct their professions where the office does not exceed one-half (1/2) the area of only one floor of the residence and only one nonresident person is employed.

Rear Yard - A yard extending across the full width of the lot, the depth of which shall be the minimum horizontal distance between the road lot line and a line parallel thereto through the nearest point of the principal structure. This yard shall be opposite the street yard or one of the street yards on a corner lot.

Regional Flood - A flood determined to be representative of large floods known to have generally occurred in Wisconsin and which may be expected to occur on a particular stream because of like physical characteristics.

Recreational Vehicle - A vehicle having an overall length of 45 feet or less and a body width of 8 feet or less primarily designed as temporary living quarters for recreational, camping or travel use, which has its own motive power or is mounted, carried or drawn by another vehicle. This can include, but not be limited to, camping trailers, travel trailers, truck campers, house boats, motor homes and tents, and all attached or detached accessories and accessory structures.

Sanitary Landfill - A site for the disposal of refuse where the refuse is compacted and covered with dirt at the end of each day.

Sanitary Technician - A person licensed as a Certified Soil Tester by the State of Wisconsin, or other persons deemed qualified by the State of Wisconsin.

<u>Setbacks From a Public Road or Highway</u> - The minimum horizontal distance from the center line of a highway or its right-of-way line to the nearest part of a structure measured at right angles to the center line or right-of-way line.

<u>Sethacks From Water</u> - The minimum horizontal distance from the normal high water line of a body of water to the nearest part of a structure.

Side Yard - A yard extending from the street yard to the rear yard of a lot, the width of which shall be the minimum horizontal distance between the side lot line and the nearest point on the building excluding uncovered steps. The width of side yard must be measured perpendicular to the side lot line.

Shoreland-Wetland District - The zoning district, created as a part of this Shoreland Zoning Ordinance, comprised of shorelands that are designated as wetlands on the Wetland Inventory Maps which have been adopted and made part of this Ordinance.

Silvicultural Thinning - A woodland management practice by which, for the purposes of the Shoreland Zoning Ordinance, the quality of adjacent surface water is maintained or improved through responsible cutting in shorelands; and long lived species are perpetuated and provision is made for efficient methods of slash disposal.

Special Exception - A use which is permitted by this Ordinance provided that certain conditions specified in the Ordinance are met and that a permit is granted by the Board of Adjustment.

Street Yard - A yard extending across the full width of a lot, the depth of which shall be the minimum horizontal distance between the existing or proposed street or highway right-of-way line and a line parallel thereto through the nearest point of the principal structure, excluding uncovered steps. Corner lots shall have two such yards.

Structures - Any manmade object with form, shape and utility, either permanent or temporarily attached to, placed upon or in the ground, or an attachment to something on a premises, including but not limited to dwellings, accessory buildings, additions, signs decks, swimming pools platforms, porches, balconies, gazeboes, satellite dishes, fences, boathouses, stairs, walkways, sidewalks, piers, wharves, patios, bridges and retaining walls.

<u>Structure</u>, <u>Permanent</u> - A structure which is built of such materials and in such a way that it would commonly be expected to last and remain useful for a substantial period of time.

Structure, Temporary - A structure which is built of such materials and in such a way that it would commonly be expected to have a relatively short useful life, or is built for a purpose that would commonly be expected to be relatively short term.

<u>Subdivision</u> - A division of a lot, parcel or tract of land by the owner thereof, or his agent, for the purpose of transfer of ownership or building development where the act of division creates five (5) or more parcels or building sites of five (5) acres each or less in area by successive divisions within a five-year period.

Traffic, controlled - Regulated at intersections by stop signs or traffic signals.

<u>Traffic, Uncontrolled</u> - Not regulated at intersections by stop signs or traffic signals.

<u>Travel Trailer</u> - A vehicular portable structure designed as a temporary dwelling for travel, recreation and vacation use, which does not fall within the definition of a mobile home.

Unnecessary Hardship - A circumstance where uniquely and extremely special conditions, which were not self-created, and which are not solely related to economic loss or gain, so affect a particular property that no reasonable use can be made of it and make strict conformity with restrictions governing area, setbacks, frontage height or density unnecessarily burdensome or unreasonable in light of the purposes of this Ordinance.

<u>Variance</u> - An authorization granted by the Board of Adjustment to construct, alter or use a building or structure in a manner that deviates from the requirements of this Ordinance.

Wharf - A structure extending along, and more or less parallel to, the shore and generally connected with the uplands throughout its length, built or maintained for the purpose of providing a berth for watercraft or for loading or unloading cargo or passengers onto or from watercraft. ("Generally any construction whose dimensions or accessories go beyond what is reasonably necessary to berth watercraft or load or unload cargo or passengers is not authorized as a wharf by statute; see Chapter 30, Wisconsin Statutes.)

<u>Wetlands</u> - Those areas where water is at, near or above the land surface long enough to be capable of supporting aquatic or hydrophytic vegetation and which have soils indicative of wet conditions.

905.2.4 County Park Ordinance (Ordinance No. 600)

Ordinance No. 600 Wood County Park

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WOOD COUNTY ORDINANCE #600 WOOD COUNTY PARK ORDINANCE

To implement Chapter 27.05 of the Wisconsin Statutes, under which the Wood County Park Committee is granted specific powers relative to the supervision and regulation of the use and enjoyment of County Parks, subject to the general supervision of the Board of Supervisors, the Wood County Board of Supervisors does ordain as follows:

Chapter 600 .01 GENERAL, ADMINISTRATIVE, AND TERMS

- (1) Terms.
 - **A. Park and Forestry Committee.** The terms "Committee" and "Park and Forestry Committee" shall mean the Wood County Park and Forestry Committee.
 - **B. Park**. The terms "park", "County Park" and "Wood County Park," are defined to mean all lands and water heretofore and hereafter acquired by the County for Park or recreational purposes or placed under the jurisdiction of the Park and Forestry Committee, and include, without limitations, parks, and privately owned lands, the use of which has been granted to the County for park, recreational, or like public purposes. The following areas are designated as **Wood County Parks** or **Areas** managed by the Park and Forestry Committee:

PARKS AREAS

North Wood County Park
South Wood County Park
Powers Bluff County Park
Dexter County Park
Nepco Lake County Park
Richfield 360 Area
Squaw Creek Pond Area
Seneca ATV Area
Wood County Rifle Range Area

- **C. Person.** The term "person" shall include any individual, firm, partnership, corporation and association of persons, and the use of singular form shall include the plural. The use of gender herein includes the masculine and feminine gender.
- (2) **Scope.** Except when the context provides otherwise, the provision of this Ordinance shall apply to all lands, structures, and property owned, leased or administered by Wood County, Wisconsin, and under the management, supervision, and control of the Wood County Park and Forestry Committee, as established by the Wood County Board of Supervisors and recorded in the Journal of the Proceedings of the County Board.
- (3) **Park Administrator.** The Park Administrator, shall be the authorized agent of the Committee referred to herein.

(4) Closing Hours and Dates.

- **A.** After Hours. It shall be unlawful for any person to be in any designated Wood County Park, between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and the following 8:00 a.m., except for those individuals authorized by permit issued by Park authority.
 - **1. Enclosed Shelter House Closing Time.** The area known as the Enclosed Shelter House area of designated Wood County Parks will have an official closing time of 12:00 midnight and shall re-open the following 8:00 a.m. Premises must be cleaned and vacated by 12:00 midnight.
 - **2. After Hours by Permit.** All individuals authorized by Park issued permits shall be exempted from the aforementioned, pursuant to said terms of said permit.
- **B.** After Hours at Boat Landings. Notwithstanding paragraph A, persons are permitted at any hour in South Wood County, Dexter County, and Nepco Lake County Parks for the purpose of and while transporting watercraft to and from designated boat landings.

C. Closing Dates.

- **1.** Unauthorized Vehicles After Closing Dates. It shall be unlawful for any unauthorized vehicles to enter or be in any County Park between the dates of November 1 and April 30, except as provided herein.
- **2. Snowmobiles and All Terrain Vehicles.** Snowmobiles and All Terrain Vehicles (ATV's) are allowed on designated trails only.
- **3. Public and Campground Boat Landings.** Designated public boat landings may be used at any time for access to the lakes. Campground boat landings are restricted to camper's use only.
- **4.** Campground Opening and Closing Dates. Designated camping areas will be open for camping from May 1 October 31 (except as provided herein).
- a. Except when May 1 falls on Saturday, Sunday, Monday, or Tuesday; then camping will open the preceding Friday.
- b. Except Dexter park campground will be open until November 30 or the end of the deer gun season, whichever is later.

- **5. Ski Parking Lots.** Designated ski touring trails and skiing parking lots are open for skiing purposes, pursuant to posting by the Wood County Park and Forestry Department.
- **6. Powers Bluff Winter Sports Area.** Powers Bluff Winter Sports Area facilities are open during scheduled hours which are subject to change, pursuant to weather conditions.
- 7. Other areas. Open during scheduled dates and hours as approved by the Wood County Park and Forestry Committee.

(5) Fees, Charges and Deposits.

- **A. Fee Schedule.** It shall be unlawful for any person to use any facility, shelter, land or area for which a fee or charge has been established by the Committee without payment of such fee or charge in advance, **except for open shelters** which may be used if not reserved.
- **B. Special Fees.** Any park structure, facility, or area may be reserved or rented for special purposes subject to the approval of the Committee. The Committee, at its' discretion, may set the charge for this facility.

(6) Additional Rules, Permits, Exceptions.

- **A. Additional Rules.** Rules and regulations may be made from time to time by the Committee governing the further use and enjoyment of parks, playgrounds, beaches, boat landings, campgrounds, lakes, streams and the facilities therein. Any person who shall violate such rules or regulations, or who refuses to subject himself thereto, may be excluded from the use of such facility and be subject to the penalties provided for in this Ordinance.
- **B. Permits.** Any person to whom a permit shall have been issued by the Park Administrator or other authorized park personnel, shall be bound by the provisions of all Ordinances of Wood County as fully as though the same were inserted in each permit.
- **C. Exceptions.** Nothing in this code shall prohibit or hinder the Wood County Park and Forestry Committee of Wood County, Wisconsin, its Administrator, Park Caretakers, or other duly authorized agents, or any peace officers from performing their official duties.

(7) Installations, Public Utilities and Private Construction.

A. Public Utilities - Location. The location of all sewers and receivers, gas

pipes, water pipes, stopcock boxes, hydrants, lamp posts, telephone and electric power posts and lines, manholes, conduit and pumps within any park shall be subject to the jurisdiction and control of the Committee; and their construction, erection, or relocation shall be undertaken only after written permission is received from said Committee.

Chapter 600 .02 PUBLIC MEETINGS AND SALES

(1) Public Meetings.

- **A. Special Use Permits.** Any person desiring to hold a public meeting of any kind whatsoever, in any park shall first obtain a permit from the Committee or its duly authorized agent. The permit must be applied for not less than 48 hours prior to the scheduled event.
- **B. Permits For Public Assembly.** Permits may be granted for the purpose of holding any lawful public assembly in accordance with published regulations governing the reasonable use of the parks.
- (2) **Peddling and Soliciting.** It shall be unlawful for any person to peddle or solicit business of any nature whatever, or to distribute handbills or other advertising matter, to post unauthorized signs or decorative matter on any lands, structures or property for soliciting or conducting business, peddling or providing services within or outside of such lands, structures, or property unless first authorized in writing by the Wood County Park and Forestry Committee or its duly authorized agent.

Chapter 600 .03 BOATING

- (1) **State and Federal Regulations.** All federal and state regulations concerned with boating apply to the waters governed by the Wood County Park and Forestry Department.
- (2) **Beach Mooring.** No boats shall be moored closer than 100' to any designated beach area.
- (3) **North Wood County Park.** No sailboats or boats with motors will be allowed on waters within North Wood County Park.
- (4) **Mooring.** Mooring of boats adjacent to Wood County Park & Forestry lands is

prohibited.

Chapter 600 .04 PERSONAL CONDUCT AND NUISANCES

- (1) **Personal Conduct.** It shall be unlawful for any person to engage in violent, abusive, indecent, profane, boisterous, unreasonably loud, or otherwise disorderly conduct under circumstances in which such conduct tends to cause or provoke a disturbance, or to be so intoxicated that he is unable to care for his own safety, in any County Park.
- (2) **Property of Others.** It shall be unlawful for any person to destroy, disturb, damage, or remove the property or personal effects of others.
- (3) Unnecessary Noise. It shall be unlawful for any person to operate sound trucks, loud speakers, motors, motorboats, motor vehicles or any other mechanical devices that produce loud noises without first obtaining a written permit from the Committee or its duly authorized agent.

Chapter 600 .05 DESTRUCTION, ENTRY, CLEANING AND REFUSE

(1) Destruction and Entry.

- **A. Destruction, Defacement, or Removal.** It shall be unlawful for any person to disturb, alter, damage, deface, remove, or destroy any trees, shrubs, plants, or other natural growth; to carve on any rocks, archaeological or geological features, signs, walls, trees or structures; to drive nails or other foreign objects in trees; or to move, injure or deface in any manner any structures including buildings, sign, fences, tables, or other County property. The picking of edible fruits or nuts is permitted.
- **B. Entry and Manipulation.** It shall be unlawful for any person to enter in any building, installation, or area that is under construction or locked or closed to public use; or to alter, damage or manipulate any water control structure, dam, or culvert; or to enter or be upon any building, installation or area after the posted closing time or before the posted opening time, or contrary to posted notice, in any park.

C. Cleaning and Refuse.

1. Washing. The washing of **motorized vehicles**, persons, pets, cooking utensils, or clothing, is prohibited in any of the lakes or streams, on any picnic grounds, playgrounds, recreation areas, boat landings, parking lots or roadways, or within 50 feet of any pump, fountain, or drinking water

outlet in any County Park. The washing of persons, cooking utensils and clothing is permitted at designated campgrounds, or at other authorized and posted locations.

- **2. Fish and Game Cleaning.** It shall be unlawful for any person to clean, butcher, scale, or skin any fish, game, livestock, or poultry in any County Park except at designated fish-cleaning tables provided for such purposes. Refuse from such cleaning operations must be suitably wrapped or packaged and deposited in the refuse containers provided for that purpose.
- **3. Refuse.** No person shall leave or dump any litter, rubbish, debris, dirt, stone, or other materials on County park lands. When garbage receptacles are provided by the County, only garbage generated on the site and associated with the special activity for which purpose the receptacle was provided may be placed in the receptacle. No personal or private garbage or materials may be deposited in the receptacles.
- **4. Disposal of Hot Charcoal.** Charcoal residue must be left in a grate or fireplace until cool, or placed in receptacles provided for such purposes.

Chapter 600 .06 VEHICLES

- (1) Vehicular Traffic.
 - **A. Speed Limits in County Parks.** No person shall operate any vehicle at a speed in excess of 15 miles per hour or contrary to official traffic signs in any County Park.
 - **B.** Reckless Use of A Vehicle In County Parks. No person shall operate any vehicle in any Park in a reckless manner contrary to the provisions of Section 346.62 of the Wisconsin Statutes.
 - **C.** Unlawful Operating or Parking of Vehicles. It shall be unlawful to operate or park any motor vehicle, except as provided for herein, upon any hiking trail, beach area, playground, picnic area, or any other area other than established roads, parking areas, boat ramps and service areas, or contrary to posted notice, or with any Park when it is seasonally closed to vehicular traffic.
 - **D. Designated Trails.** It shall be unlawful for any person to operate any motor driven sled, toboggan, all terrain vehicle (ATV) or other snowmobile in any County Park, except on designated trails.

E. Unlicensed Motorized Vehicles. No person shall operate any unlicensed motorized vehicle in any County Park on roads, trails, or otherwise.

(2) Parking.

- **A. Unlawful Parking, Stopping.** It is unlawful for the owner or operator of any vehicle, watercraft or other obstruction to leave or have left said vehicle, watercraft or other obstruction parked, stopped or standing, whether attended or unattended:
 - **1.** So as to block, obstruct, or limit the use of any road, trail, parking lot, boat landing, waterway or winter sport facility, or:
 - **2.** outside of any area provided for such purposes when it is practical to use such areas, or
 - 3. contrary to posted notice, or
 - **4.** in any park area between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and the following 8:00 a.m. except that vehicle or watercraft owned by registered campers residing in adjacent campgrounds are permitted. Vehicles used to transport watercraft are permitted at designated boat landings at South Wood County Park, Dexter Park and Nepco Lake Park at any time.

Chapter 600 .07 FIRE, FIREWORKS, FIREARMS

(1) Fires.

- **A.** Unlawful Fires. It shall be unlawful for any person to start, tend, or maintain any fire, except at designated fireplaces, fire rings, or grills within any County Park, except that, fires for cooking or heating may be made in portable stoves, heaters, or grills at designated campgrounds and picnic areas and,
- **B.** Unattended Fires. It shall be unlawful for any person to leave any fire unattended, or to throw away any matches, cigarettes, cigars, or pipe ashes or any embers without first extinguishing them, or to abandon any fire, or to start, tend, or use in any manner any fire contrary to posted notice in any County Park.
- (2) **Fireworks, Rockets, Explosive Devices.** It shall be unlawful for any person to possess, fire, discharge, explode or set off any squib, cracker, or other explosive or pyrotechnic device containing powder, or other combustible or explosive material, within the limits of any County Park, excepting that exhibitions of fireworks given under the

direction or by the permission of the Committee or its duly authorized agent are permitted.

(3) **Firearms.** It shall be unlawful for any person to have in their possession or under their control any firearm, airgun, or gas operated gun as defined in Section 939.22, Wisconsin Statutes, unless the same is unloaded and enclosed in a carrying case in any County Park, except for designated areas.

Chapter 600 .08 ANIMALS

(1) **Pets.** It shall be unlawful for any person to allow pets to enter any public building, bathing beach, picnic grounds, or playgrounds within any County Park, or to run at large at any time on County Park grounds.

In other County Park areas and campgrounds pets are permitted provided they shall at all times be kept on a leash not more than 10 feet long. All pets shall be effectively restrained or under the owner's control at all times. No person shall allow his pet to deprive or disrupt the enjoyment or use of any area by others. Pet owners are required to immediately clean up after their pets.

- (2) Horses. It shall be unlawful for any person to ride a horse or have a horse in any Wood County Park without written authorization by Park Administrator or his authorized agent.
- (3) **Hunting and Trapping.** It shall be unlawful for any person to take, catch, kill, hunt, trap, pursue or otherwise disturb any wild animals or birds in any County park.
 - **A. Exception.** That part of Dexter County Park lying South of Highway 54 and the Richfield 360 Area. In that area known as 'Richfield 360' hunting will be permitted only until the last day of the deer gun season.

Chapter 600 .09 ATHLETICS

- (1) Games or Sports in Undesignated Areas. It shall be unlawful for any person to play or practice ball, golf, tennis, archery, other games or sports, upon or within any County Park except upon ball fields, tennis courts, archery ranges, or appropriate athletic grounds or golf links established and posted by the Committee.
- (2) **Skating.** It shall be unlawful for any person to skate in any form or fashion including blade skating on roads in any part of the Park system in a reckless manner, or at a speed greater than is reasonable and proper, having regard to the number of people in such part of the Park system and the use thereof, or so as to endanger life or limb, or the property of any person; provided, however, that nothing herein contained, shall be

construed to prohibit any exhibition of or contests in fast or fancy skating on such portions of any ice pond as may be set aside and posted for that purpose by the Committee.

Chapter 600 .10 BEACHES

(1) County Beaches. The following areas constitute public swimming beaches:

Nepco County Park Beach. South Wood County Park, Red Beach. South Wood County Park, White Beach. North Wood County Park Beach. Lake Dexter County Park Beach.

- (2) **Designation of Swimming Areas.** The Wood County Park Administrator shall determine what areas of public swimming beaches set forth in section 600.10 (1) shall be used for swimming and when. The Park Administrator shall provide reasonable notice to the public in establishing swimming areas and times. Those parts of public swimming beaches used as swimming areas shall be marked with buoys which meet the standards set in Wisconsin Administrative Code NR 5.09, at any time the swimming areas are open for swimming.
- (3) Food and Beverages. It shall be unlawful for any person to possess or consume any food or beverages of any kind on any bathing beach or in the water adjacent to any bathing beach in any County Park except in designated areas.
- **(4) Boundary Buoys Altering or Damaging.** It shall be unlawful to disturb, alter or damage a bathing beach boundary buoy or marker in any County Park.
- (5) **Storms and Swimming Area Limits.** It shall be unlawful for any person to:
 - **A.** swim, or wade in the water fronting any bathing beach during electrical storms or in dangerous weather, or
 - **B.** swim, or wade within 50 feet of any dam within the County Park system, or
 - **C.** swim, or wade within 50 feet of any boat landing.
- (6) **Beach Athletics.** Except in locations designated for such purposes, it shall be unlawful for any person to engage in any athletic game or sport, or in any activity upon a swimming beach or in the water, when injury or inconvenience to others might result there from.
- (7) Swimming Apparel. It shall be unlawful for any swimmer to enter the water or onto

any beach area, unless clothed in suitable swimming apparel. The object of this section is to prevent nudity.

- **A.** Changing Clothing. It shall be unlawful for any person to change clothes, except in a beach house or other enclosed place.
- **B.** Infectious Diseases. Any person having, or apparently having, any infectious disease shall be prohibited from entering onto any swimming beach or into any beach house, or waters adjacent thereto.

Chapter 600 .11 CAMPING

- (1) **Reservations.** All designated campsites will be governed by a site reservation system and by self-registration when not reserved.
 - **A. Campground & Self-Registration Policy.** The Wood County Campground Reservations and Self-Registration Policy, including future amendments thereto is made a part of this ordinance.
- (2) **Definitions.** For the purposes of this Ordinance, the following definitions apply:
 - **A.** Camping or Camp. The use of a shelter such as a tent, trailer, motor vehicle, tarpaulin, bed roll or sleeping bag for temporary residence or sleeping purposes.
 - **B.** Camping Party. Any individual, family, individual group or minor group occupying a campsite.
 - **C.** Camping-Unit. A single shelter, except sleeping bags and hammocks, used for a camp by a camping party except those used exclusively for dining purposes.
 - **D.** Campsite. A segment of a campground which is designated for camping use by a camping unit or camping party.
 - **1. Wilderness Campsite.** A campsite identified as such on county land. A camping permit is needed.
 - **E. Designated Campground.** Any tract of land designated exclusively for camping.
 - **F. Enclosed Shelter.** Any building or structure capable of being closed to public access, and which can be reserved for public or private group activities.

- **G. Family.** A parent or parents with their children and not more than two lineal relatives and not more than two minor guests.
- **H. Group Campground Area.** A campground area designated for use by organizational or minor group.
- **I. Individual Group.** A camping party of not more than 6 persons occupying one camping unit.
- **J. Minor Group.** A group made up of minor members of an established organization and under the leadership of at least one competent, mature adult for each 10 minors in the group and using any number of camping units or occupying a group campground.
- **K.** Open Shelter. Any building or structure with roof and open side walls, and which can be reserved for public or private group activities.

(3) Camping Regulations.

- **A. Camping Prohibited.** Camping is prohibited in the Wood County Parks except in designated campgrounds or by special permit.
- **B.** Camping Limited-Designated Campgrounds. No person shall camp and no camping unit shall remain in a designated campground for a period greater than 14 days from May 1 to October 31 (until November 30 in Dexter Park). Thereafter, the camping unit must be removed from the campgrounds for at least two days before being eligible to return.
- **C. Campsite Occupancy.** It shall be unlawful for more than one family or individual group to occupy more than a single campsite in a designated campground.
- **D.** Campsite Changes. No registered camping party shall move from its assigned campsite to another campsite in a designated campground without prior approval from the designated park attendant.
- E. Camping Permit Expiration. All camping permits must be renewed by 10:00 a.m. on the last day of the permit period. Campsites must be cleaned and vacated by 12:00 noon. Sunday check out time is 3:00 p.m., unless site is reserved for Sunday night.
- **F.** Camping Entry Hours. No camping party shall start setting up or taking down its camping unit between the hours of **10:00 p.m.** and the following 8:00

a.m., without authorization of the Park attendant, except in the case of an emergency.

G. Campsite Parking. It shall be unlawful to park any motor vehicle outside the parking area designated at each campsite and not more than two motor vehicles are permitted to any campsite.

H. Camping Permit - Issuance.

- **1.** Underage 18. It shall be unlawful for any person under the age of 18 to obtain a camping permit.
- **2. Not a Member of Camping Party.** It shall be unlawful for any person to obtain a camping permit for use by a camping party of which he is not a member, except that parents or legal guardians and an adult leader of a minor group may obtain camping permits for use by minor groups.
- **I. Campsite-Mandatory Occupancy.** During the period from May 1 through Labor Day, a campsite must be occupied by a member of the camping party on the first night of the permit period and no campsite may be left unoccupied for more than 24 hours or the permit is forfeited.
- **J. Camping Violations.** Violations of any state law or any rules of the Wood County Park Committee or this Ordinance by a member of a camping party is cause for revocation of the camping permit and/or other penalties as provided.
- **K.** Camping Prohibitions-Posted Notice. No person shall camp on any lands under the management, supervision or control of the Committee contrary to posted notice.

Chapter 600.12 VIOLATION OF THIS ORDINANCE

(1) Legal Action.

A. Arrest Powers. Any law enforcement officer of Wood County, or any of its municipal subdivisions, or law officers of the state, may issue a citation for the violation of any of the provisions of this chapter. Said citation shall be in the format set forth in Wis. Stats. S66.119, which is incorporated herein by reference. Said law enforcement officers as well as agents of the Park & Forestry Department shall have, at all times, the right to enter the premises of any County Park, building, structure, or enclosure in any park, wayside, or special recreation area, including such grounds, buildings, structures, or enclosure which may be leased or set aside for private or exclusive use of any individual or group of

individuals, for the purpose of determining that there is compliance with this Ordinance and the rules and regulations made by the Committee, and may use all necessary means to attain that end.

- **B.** <u>Prosecution.</u> Whenever an arrest shall have been made or any violation shall occur, the District Attorney or Corporation Counsel shall prosecute or proceed as provided by law.
- **C. Penalties.** Any person, firm company or corporation who violates the regulations set forth in this Ordinance, or rules and regulations made by the Committee, shall be subject to a forfeiture of not less than \$25 nor more than \$500.00 together with the costs of the action. Each day a violation exists shall constitute a distinct and separate violation of this Ordinance and as such, forfeitures shall apply accordingly.

(2) Notice of Violation

- **A. Notice Issuance Authority.** Wood County Park and Forestry Department personnel, designated in writing by the Park Administrator and peace officers described in 600.12 (1) A. shall have the authority to issue a Notice of Violation on forms approved by and pursuant to procedures established by the Park Administrator and the Wood County Park and Forestry Committee.
- **B. Penalties.** Persons to whom a Notice of Violation has been issued for violating this Ordinance or rules and regulations made by the committee, may enter into a stipulation of guilt with Wood County by posting the sum (established in the fee schedule set by the Wood County Park and Forestry Committee), within 5 days after the issuance of a Notice of Violation. Violators of this ordinance, who do not timely post said sum as a fee, shall be referred to Law Enforcement for the issuance of a citation as provided in Section 600.12 (1) of the Park Ordinance.
- (3) **Damages.** In addition to the penalties specified in paragraph 600.12 (2), any person violating any of the provisions of this Ordnance shall be liable for any damages.

Chapter 600.13 EFFECTIVE DATE AND REPEALS

(1) Effective date. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its'

passage and publication.

- (2) **Repeals.** All Ordinances and parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith, are repealed.
- (3) **Invalidation.** Invalidation of any one of the sub-sections of this Ordinance, by judgement or court order, shall in no way effect any of the other provisions thereof which shall remain in full force and effect.

Chapter 600.14 SPECIAL EXCEPTIONS

(1) **Special Exceptions** - Special exception to the terms of this ordinance may be granted by prior approval of the Park and Forestry Committee and/or the Park Administrator.

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905.2.5 Land Transaction Policy and Procedures

WOOD COUNTY PARK & FOREST

LAND TRANSACTION POLICY AND PROCEDURES

This policy pertains to proposals initiated by third parties. It does not apply to proposals introduced by the County.

STATEMENT OF COMMITMENT

Wood County is committed to the preservation of the open spaces created by the ownership of large blocks of public land. The County is committed to the concept that public land is beneficial to the people of the County. Wood County's public land provides the base resource for the local timber industry and for the County's tourist industry. It provides habitat for wildlife and fish, it provides watershed stability and protection and it provides extensive outdoor recreation opportunities for the general public.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

Wood County's goal in establishing a public land ownership policy is to preserve, whenever possible, County-owned lands located within the County forest blocking boundaries, and the other lands managed by the Park & Forestry Department, and to actively manage those lands for multiple resource uses in an environmentally acceptable manner.

Objectives for the public land ownership policy are as follows:

- 1. Create a clearly defined, timely and orderly process for handling proposals to purchase, use and/or develop public lands for private purposes.
- 2. Ensure that any such proposals are truly beneficial to the people of the County.
- 3. Ensure that the proposals are viable, not speculative and that they are well planned and environmentally acceptable.
- 4. Establish minimum fee criteria for the sale of or conveyance of property rights on public lands.
- 5. Define types and categories of property rights conveyances.
- 6. Define minimum standards and requirements of grantees in ownership or property rights conveyances.

PROCEDURES

This section outlines the steps which will be followed in processing requests for the purchase or trade of County owned lands as well as requests for permits or agreements involving the use of county-owned lands. The procedures shall apply to all county-owned lands within the blocking boundaries of the land managed by the Park & Forestry Department.

A. Application, screening and referral.

- 1. Request for purchase, trade or special use is filed at the Park & Forestry Department on the prescribed application form. This form is available at the office of the Park & Forestry Department during normal business hours. The non-refundable fee for processing of the application is \$25.00 for an incidental proposal, \$50.00 for a minor proposal, and \$125.00 for a major proposal.
- 2. The application shall be referred to the Forest Administrator.
- 3. The Forest Administrator shall review the application for completeness and shall determine whether the proposal is incidental, minor, or major.

An incidental proposal is a request for a special use permit of very short time duration and involves no, or minimal, physical alteration of the land or vegetation and does not exclude the use of the land by others. An example of this would be a 3 month permit to cross county property using an existing road or frozen marsh to harvest timber on adjoining private property.

A minor proposal is a request for a special use permit or license which involves little or no physical alteration of the land or vegetation and which does not exclude the use of the land by others. An example would be a 5 year permit to cross County land, on an existing trail, to access private property.

A major proposal includes all easements, sales, trades, or leases of County lands.

B. Processing of referred applications.

1. The Forest Administrator shall investigate all proposals in detail and shall prepare a written recommendation to the Park & Forestry Committee. When appropriate, the Forest Administrator shall also inform the Chairperson of the affected township of the application and shall invite comment on the proposal from the

township. When appropriate, the Forest Administrator shall also inform the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources liaison forester of the application and shall consult with the liaison

forester in the investigation and processing of the application in accordance with s. 28.11, Wis. Stats.

The Forest Administrator will work directly with the applicant and other persons as necessary in gathering information for completion of the written investigation.

- 2. For incidental proposals the Forest Administrator may approve and issue a permit for up to 4 months. Details of the approval will be forwarded, in writing, to the Park & Forestry Committee for their review and file.
- 3. For minor proposals the Park & Forestry Committee shall approve or deny the request in accordance with County policy for permitted uses of County lands.
- 4. For major proposals, which include land sale or exchange, the Park & Forestry Committee shall review the Forest Administrator's recommendation and, if unfamiliar with the properties, visit the sites involved.

If the Park & Forestry Committee determines the major proposal has merit and is in the best interest of the County, then prior to submitting a resolution to the County Board for approval consideration, the Park & Forestry Committee will schedule a public informational meeting.

The Park & Forestry Committee shall, as soon as practical after the public information meeting, deliberate to determine whether to accept or reject the proposal. It is understood the Park & Forestry Committee, at their discretion, may enter into further negotiations with the applicant. When appropriate, the Wisconsin DNR liaison forester shall be kept abreast of all actions taken and will be invited to submit responses in that regard.

- Park & Forestry Committee a resolution detailing the terms of the transaction will be prepared and forwarded to the Wood County Board for approval consideration. Passage of a major proposal will require a two thirds majority vote of the Wood County Board.
- b. Section 28.11, Wis. Stats., will govern resolutions involving

the withdrawal of lands from the County Forest Program.

REQUIREMENTS

Because of the high value of public lands to all the people of the County, requests for the purchase of County-owned lands which lie within the county forest blocking boundaries will not normally be considered. If, after proper consideration, it is determined that the applicant's proposal will put the land to a higher and better use and will benefit the people of the County to a greater extent, then the land may be recommended, by the Park & Forestry Committee, for withdrawal from the County Forest Program.

When the proposed use of the land is acceptable but does not require a transfer of ownership, the County may, at its discretion, offer a conveyance of property right through the appropriate legal instrument.

A. Conveyance of Ownership.

County land ownership can be transferred either by outright sale, by land trade or by a combination of the two. Any conveyance of ownership must be accompanied by a separate agreement which lists the specific uses allowed for the land.

1. Outright Sales

The sale price of any county lands shall not be less than double the value set by a qualified real estate appraiser selected by the County (appraisal fees to be paid by the applicant). The final sale even then is subject to the discretion of the County Board. Approval requires a two-third majority vote of the Board.

Monetary proceeds from the sale of these lands shall be deposited in a non-lapsing fund known as the County Forest Land Fund. This fund shall be used only for the acquisition of other lands for addition to the County forest system in order to maintain the public land base.

2. Land Trades

From time to time it is advantageous to trade lands. Any trade proposals must include lands suitable to the County for timber production, wildlife management, outdoor recreation and/or watershed protection. The value of lands taken in trade shall

not be less than double the value of lands being traded. All values are to be established by a qualified real estate appraiser selected by the County (appraisal fees to be paid by the applicant). The final terms of any trade are subject to the discretion of the County Board, and require a two-thirds majority vote for approval.

3. Combined Transactions

Combinations of cash plus land may be given consideration at the discretion of the Park & Forestry Committee, provided the terms and conditions hereinbefore set forth are adhered to.

B. Conveyance of Property Rights

Requests for the use of County lands may be granted by one of several legal instruments. The instrument used shall be the one which relinquishes the least amount of County control over the land. Examples of legal instruments and their appropriate application are listed below.

1. Easement.

An easement is a right which entitles the holder to use the land of another for a special purpose not inconsistent with the general property rights of the owner. This type of instrument is usually appropriate for utility routes and public road rights-of-way.

2. Lease.

A lease is a written document by which possession of real property and/or improvements is given by the owner to another for a specified period of time for consideration. Lands under the County Forest Law may only be leased under the conditions in s. 28.11, Wis. Stats.

3. License or Permit.

A license or permit is a written document conferring a right, power or privilege to do a particular act or series of acts on land of another without possessing any interest therein. A license or permit can be revoked at the owner's pleasure and is usually unassignable. A license or permit is distinguished from an easement or a lease which implies an interest in the land.

Such things as the right to flow lands for agricultural purposes

should be handled by this means as opposed to an easement. Most other activities dealing with private individuals specific use of County forest lands should also be handled by license or permit.

4. Agreement.

An agreement is a written document executed by two or more persons expressing a mutual and common purpose. An agreement usually spells out in detail the responsibilities, obligations, conditions, liabilities, etc. of all parties concerned and would be an appropriate instrument for dealing with such activities as public school forests and sanitary landfills because of the number of items of consideration usually involved.

C. Terms of Property Rights Conveyances.

Any agreement, license, permit, lease or easement granted must contain at least the following information, requirements and terms. More requirements and terms may be added as needed to protect the interests of the County.

- 1. Location by legal description.
- 2. Permitted use(s).
- 3. Fee for the use of the land (lump sum or periodic payment).
- 4. Expiration date There will be no conveyances exceeding 99 years under this section. The shortest term possible shall be considered.
- 5. Right of the County to cancel or suspend conveyed rights with or without cause.
- 6. Requirement for grantee to restore the premises to original condition upon expiration or cancellation of the conveyance.

Any sale or trade must contain at least the following information requirements, or terms. More requirements and terms may be added as needed to protect the interests of the County.

- 1. Location by legal description.
- 2. Permitted use(s).
- 3. Sale price and terms of the sale or trade.
- 4. Reversionary clauses if any.

Other terms to be considered for inclusion into a sale, trade or other conveyance shall include timber, mineral, public hunting and fishing, and other rights and terms as appropriate

D. Exception

In instances involving encroachments that are the result of updated surveys, relocation of survey markers, property line changes as a result of previously mentioned survey activity; and the net impact to the County Forest is three acres or less; the Wood County Park and Forestry Committee may deviate from the previously mentioned guidelines and is empowered to resolve such situations as it sees fit. This exception requires that the County adhere to state statute 28.11 and all other statutes pertaining to the management of County Forest Lands.

TAX DEED LAND

From time to time the County takes ownership of tax delinquent private lands. Some of these lands lie within the County Forest blocking boundaries and may be of interest for addition to the County Forest system.

Whenever the County takes a tax deed to lands the following procedure shall be observed.

- 1. Upon completion of tax deeding procedures the County Treasurer shall notify the Forest Administrator of the presence of property that has been tax deeded.
- 2. The Forest Administrator shall forward a recommendation to the Park & Forestry Committee to consider the land for addition to the county forest.
- 3. If the land is desirable the Park & Forestry Committee shall sponsor a resolution to the County Board to add the land to the County forest and (if applicable) to enter the land under the County Forest Law. Approval of the resolution requires a simple majority vote of the County Board.

APPLICATION FORM FOR LAND TRANSACTIONS

The application form referred to in the PROCEDURES section has been designed to solicit basic information from the applicant as to the nature of the proposal, the location and the urgency of using County lands as opposed to other lands in the area. It is designed to be straight forward and easy to complete, yet requires the applicant have a clearly thought out and planned proposal. A chart illustrating the application/approval process is contained in appendix 1.

Instructions: See page 3
Application fee: \$25.00, \$50.00, or \$125.00 dependent on type of

transaction requested.

WOOD COUNTY PARK AND FORESTRY DEPARTMENT

LAND TRANSACTION APPLICATION

	a.	Purchase of County land.	
	b.	Trade for County land.	
	c.	Easement request.	
	d.	Request permit or agreement for special	use.
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6.	Physical changes prop ditching, earth movin		be plans	s for la	and cle	aring,
7.	Construction plans (D	escribe plans	s for an	y struct	ures).	
8.	Alternatives (Is it lands? Why or why no		do you:	r propos	sal on	other
9.	List any permits you	will need to	install	this pr	oject.	
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WOOD COUNTY PARK AND FORESTRY DEPARTMENT

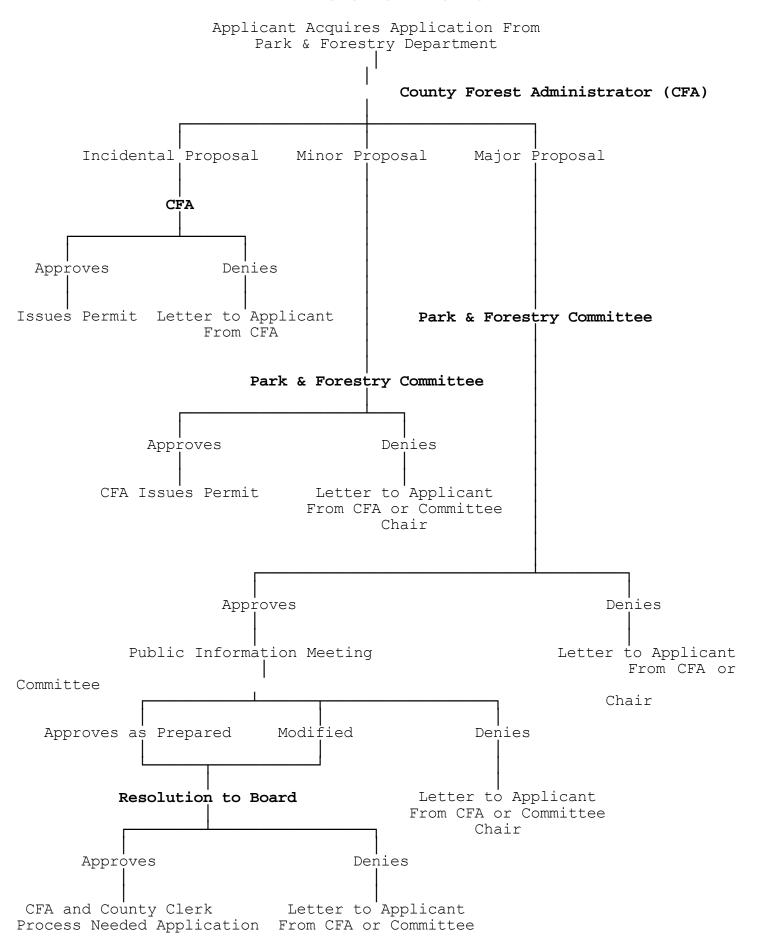
INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING

APPLICATION FOR LAND TRANSACTION

This application must be filled out in full for your request to be properly considered by Wood County. You may be contacted for more detailed information. Please type or write legibly. Return the application to the Forest Administrator along with the appropriate application fee.

- Item #4 Give a legal description of the county land
 involved in your proposal. Describe the location
 of your land if it relates to the proposal. A map
 of the properties (plat map) would be helpful.
- Item #5 What is the purpose of your proposal or project.
 Why do yo need it on county land? Is there any
 background or history to your proposal which helps
 to explain it?
- Item #7 Will any structures be built on the site? What
 kind? How large? For what purpose? Where will
 they be located?
- Item #8 Can you develop this project or proposal on your
 own land or on other private land without involving
 county land? If not, why not? Is cost a factor? if
 so, please explain.
- Item #9 It will be your responsibility to get any permits
 required by other agencies for your project. List
 the necessary permits if any. Example: Army Corps
 of Engineers. county zoning changes. Wisconsin
 DNR water permits, etc.

LAND TRANSACTION FLOW CHART



Appendix 1

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905.2.6 Non-Metallic Mining Ordinance

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802 NONMETALLIC MINING RECLAMATION PART I – GENERAL

802.01 Title

Nonmetallic mining reclamation ordinance for the County of Wood.

802.02 Purpose

The purpose of this chapter is to establish a local program to ensure the effective reclamation of nonmetallic mining sites on which nonmetallic mining takes place in the County of Wood after the effective date of this chapter, in compliance with Chapter NR 135, Wisconsin Administrative Code and Subchapter I of Chapter 295, Wisconsin Statutes.

802.03 Statutory Authority

This chapter is adopted under authority of Section 295.13(1), Wisconsin Statutes, Section NR 135.32, Wisconsin Administrative Code, and Section 59.51, Wisconsin Statutes.

802.04 Restrictions Adopted Under Other Authority

The purpose of this chapter is to adopt and implement the uniform statewide standards for nonmetallic mining required by Section 295.12(1)(a), Stats. and contained in Chapter NR 135, Wisconsin Administrative Code. It is not intended that this chapter repeal, abrogate, annul, impair or interfere with any existing rules, regulation, ordinances or permits not concerning nonmetallic mining reclamation previously adopted pursuant to other Wisconsin law.

802.05 Interpretation

In their interpretation and application, the provisions of this chapter shall be held to be the applicable requirements for nonmetallic mining reclamation and shall not be deemed a limitation or repeal of any other power granted by the Wisconsin Statutes outside the reclamation requirements for nonmetallic mining sites required by subchapter I of Chapter 295, Wisconsin Statutes and Chapter NR 135, Wisconsin Administrative Code. Where any terms or requirements of this chapter may be inconsistent or conflicting, the more restrictive requirements or interpretation shall apply. Where a provision of this chapter is required by Wisconsin Statutes, or by a standard in Chapter NR 135, Wisconsin Administrative Code, and where the provision is unclear, the provision shall be interpreted to be consistent with the Wisconsin Statutes and the provisions of Chapter NR 135, Wisconsin Administrative Code.

802.06 Severability

Should a court of competent jurisdiction declare any portion of this chapter unconstitutional or invalid, the remainder of this chapter shall not be affected.

802.07 Applicability

(1) Overall Applicability

The requirements of this chapter apply to all operators of nonmetallic mining sites within the County of Wood operating on or commencing to operate after August 1st, 2001 and as provided in Sections NR 135.02(1) and (2), Wisconsin Administrative Code except where exempted in sub. 802.07(2) and except for nonmetallic mining sites located in a city, village or town within Wood County that has adopted an ordinance pursuant to Section 295.14, Wisconsin Statutes, and Section NR 135.32(2), Wisconsin Administrative Code.

(2) Exemptions

This chapter does not apply to the exempt activities listed in Section NR 135.02(3), Wisconsin Administrative Code.

802.08 Administration

The provisions of this chapter shall be administered by the Wood County Land Conservation Department.

802.09 Effective Date

This ordinance shall be effective upon adoption by the Wood County Board of Supervisors and publication.

802.10 Definitions

All definitions for the purposes of this chapter are those contained in Section NR 135.03, Wisconsin Administrative Code.

PART II - STANDARDS

802.11 Standards

All nonmetallic mining sites subject to this chapter shall be reclaimed in conformance with the standards contained in Subchapter II of Chapter NR 135, Wisconsin Administrative Code.

PART III - PERMITTING

802.12 Nonmetallic Mining Reclamation Permit Application.

(1) Permit Required

The operator of all nonmetallic mining sites that operate on or after September 1, 2001 shall possess a reclamation permit from the County of Wood. All reclamation permit applications under this section shall be accompanied by the information required by Section NR 135.18(3), Wisconsin Administrative Code.

(2) Existing Mines

The operator of any existing nonmetallic mine shall apply for an automatic reclamation permit from the County of Wood by providing the information required by Section NR 135.18(1), Wisconsin Administrative Code and the submittals required under sub. 802.12(1) no later than August 1st, 2001 to the Wood County Land Conservation Department, Wood County Courthouse, 400 Market Street, P.O. Box 8095, Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54495-8095.

(3) New Mines

The operator of any nonmetallic mine site that engages in or plans to engage in nonmetallic mining that will begin operations after August 1st, 2001 or which has not applied for an automatic reclamation permit pursuant to sub. 802.12(2) shall submit an application that meets the requirements of Sections NR 135.18(2), Wisconsin Administrative Code and the submittals required under sub. 802.12(1) to the Wood County Land Conservation Department prior to beginning operations. A plan review fee as specified in s. 802.26 shall accompany this application.

802.13 Reclamation Plan

(1) Reclamation Plan Requirements

All operators of nonmetallic mining sites subject to this chapter shall prepare and submit a reclamation plan that meets the requirements of Section NR 135.19, Wisconsin Administrative Code.

(2) Existing Mines

The operator of any nonmetallic mining site that submits an automatic permit application in conformance with sub. 802.12(2) shall submit the reclamation plan required by sub. 803.13(1) by deadlines determined by the Wood County Land Conservation Department, such deadlines being between one and three years from the application submittal date.

(3) New Mines

The operator of any nonmetallic mining site that applies for a permit in conformance with sub. 802.12(3) shall submit the reclamation plan required by sub. 802.13(1) with its application for a reclamation permit.

(4) Existing Plans and Approvals

To avoid duplication of effort, the reclamation plan required by sub. 802.13(1) may, by reference, incorporate existing plans or materials that meet the requirements of this chapter. Previous approvals for nonmetallic mining sites that apply in accordance with sub. 802.12(2) shall satisfy the

requirements of sub. 802.13(1) if they meet the requirements of Section NR 135.21(1)(d), Wisconsin Administrative Code.

(5) Approval of Reclamation Plan

The County of Wood shall approve, conditionally approve or deny the reclamation plan submitted under this section in writing as part of permit issuance pursuant to sub. 802.16(2) for existing mines and sub. 802.16(4) for new mines. Conditional approvals of reclamation plans shall be made according to sub. 802.16(7), and denials of reclamation plans made according to s. 802.17. The operator shall keep a copy of the reclamation plan required by this section, once approved by the County of Wood under this chapter, at the mine site or, if not practicable, at the operator's nearest office or place of business.

802.14 Financial Assurance.

(1) Financial Assurance Requirements

All operators of nonmetallic mining sites in the County of Wood shall prepare and submit a proof of financial assurance of successful reclamation that meets the requirements of Section NR 135.40, Wisconsin Administrative Code.

(2) Existing Mines

The operator of any nonmetallic mining site that applies for an automatic reclamation permit in conformance with sub. 802.12(2) shall submit the proof of financial assurance required by sub. 802.14(1) within 4 weeks of the date of the reclamation plan approval.

(3) New Mines

The operator of any nonmetallic mining site that applies for a reclamation permit in conformance with sub. 802.12(3) shall submit the proof of financial assurance required by sub. 802.14(1) as specified in the reclamation permit issued to it under this chapter.

(4) Public Nonmetallic Mining

The financial assurance requirements of this section do not apply to nonmetallic mining conducted by the State of Wisconsin, a state agency, board, commission or department, or a municipality.

802.15 Public Notice and Right of Hearing

(1) New Mines

The County of Wood shall provide public notice and the opportunity for a public informational hearing as set forth in Sections NR 135.20(1) and (2), Wisconsin Administrative Code for any nonmetallic mining site for which

a complete reclamation permit application that satisfies sub. 802.12(3) is received.

(2) Existing Mines

No public notice or informational hearing is required on an application for a reclamation permit for an existing mine that satisfies sub. 802.12(2), except as provided in Section NR 135.20(4)(c), Wisconsin Administrative Code.

(3) Local Transportation-Related Mines

No public notice or informational hearing is required for a nonmetallic mining reclamation permit issued to a local transportation-related mine pursuant to sub. 802.16(5).

802.16 Issuance of a Nonmetallic Mining Reclamation Permit.

(1) Permit Required

Every operator of a nonmetallic mining site in the County of Wood, who engages in or plans to engage in nonmetallic mining after September 1st, 2001 shall obtain a reclamation permit issued under this section, except nonmetallic mining sites exempt from this chapter as provided in sub 802.07(2). No person may engage in nonmetallic mining or nonmetallic mining reclamation after September 1st, 2001 without a reclamation permit issued pursuant to this chapter.

(2) Automatic Permit for Existing Mines

The County of Wood shall issue an automatic reclamation permit to the operator of any nonmetallic mining site that submits an application meeting the requirements of sub. 802.12(2) as set forth in Section NR 135.21(1), Wisconsin Administrative Code. The automatic permit shall be issued within 30 days of such application.

(3) Evaluation of Follow-Up Submittals for Existing Mines

Mines covered by automatic permits issued under sub. 802.16(2) shall submit a reclamation plan in accordance with sub. 802.13(2) and proof of financial assurance in accordance with sub. 802.14(2) by the deadlines established in those subsections. Reasonable extensions to these deadlines may be granted in writing by the County of Wood where extenuating circumstances exist. The follow-up submittals required by this subsection shall be evaluated using the criteria and procedures in Sections NR 135.21(1)(d), (e) and (f), Wisconsin Administrative Code.

(4) Permit Issuance for New Mines

Applications for reclamation permits for nonmetallic mining sites not permitted under sub 802.16(2) that satisfy sub. 802.12(3) shall be issued a reclamation permit or otherwise acted on as provided in Section NR

135.21(2), Wisconsin Administrative Code. The permit shall require compliance with a reclamation plan submitted by the applicant that conforms with sub. 802.12(3), and provision by the applicant of financial assurance that conforms with sub. 802.14(3) payable to Wood County prior to beginning mining.

(5) Automatic Permit for Local Transportation-Related Mines

The County of Wood shall issue an automatic permit under this subsection for any borrow site operated to provide material for a locally-administered transportation project that meets the criteria in Section NR 135.23(1)(a), Wisconsin Administrative Code. This automatic permit shall be issued according to the provisions of Sections NR 135.23(1)(b) through (j), Wisconsin Administrative Code.

(6) Expedited Review

Any operator of a nonmetallic mining site may obtain an expedited review of a reclamation permit application by paying the expedited review fee specified in s. 802.26(2). The expedited review shall be carried out according to the provisions of Section NR 135.23(2), Wisconsin Administrative Code. Such expedited review shall not waive, shorten or otherwise affect the public notice and right of hearing pursuant to s. 802.15.

(7) Permit Conditions

Permits issued under this section may include conditions as provided in Section NR 135.21(3), Wisconsin Administrative Code. One required condition shall be that new mines shall obtain financial assurance prior to beginning mining pursuant to Section NR 135.40, Wisconsin Administrative Code.

802.17 Permit Denial

An application for a nonmetallic mining reclamation permit shall be denied if any of the factors specified in Section NR 135.22, Wisconsin Administrative Code exist.

802.18 Alternative Requirements

(1) Scope of Alternative Requirements Approvable

An operator of a nonmetallic mining site may request an alternative requirement to any reclamation standard established in s. 802.11. Such a request may be made only on the basis of the criteria set forth in Section NR 135.26(1), Wisconsin Administrative Code.

(2) Procedures

The operator of a nonmetallic mining site requesting an alternate requirement in sub. 802.18(1) shall demonstrate all the criteria in Section

NR 135.26(1), Wisconsin Administrative Code. This shall be submitted in writing to the Wood County Land Conservation Committee, 400 Market Street, P.O. Box 8095, Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54495-8095. The Land Conservation Committee may authorize in specific cases, a variance from the terms of this chapter as will not be contrary to the public interest, where due to special conditions, a literal enforcement of the provisions of this chapter will result in unnecessary hardship to the operator. The Land Conservation Committee will hear arguments by the operator and/or their legal representatives concerning s. 802.18(1). A publicly noticed hearing will be conducted by the Land Conservation Committee within 30 days of the receipt of a request under s. 802.18(1). Variance approvals require a majority vote of a quorum of the Land Conservation Committee. A decision will be made by the Land Conservation Committee within 30 days of the public hearing.

(3) Transmittal of Decision on Request for Alternate Requirements

The decision on a request for alternative reclamation requirements shall be in writing to the applicant and shall include documentation of why the alternative requirement was or was not approved.

(4) Notice to Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

The County of Wood shall provide notice to the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources as provided in Section NR 135.26(3)(a), Wisconsin Administrative Code

802.19 Permit Duration

A nonmetallic mining reclamation permit issued under this chapter shall last through operation and reclamation of the nonmetallic mining site, unless suspended or revoked pursuant to sub. 802.32(2), or as limited under Section NR 135.27, Wisconsin Administrative Code where the mine operator is not the landowner.

802.20 Permit Transfer

A nonmetallic mining reclamation permit issued under this chapter shall be transferred to a new owner or operator upon satisfaction of the conditions in Section NR 135.28, Wisconsin Administrative Code.

802.21 Previously Permitted Sites

For any nonmetallic mining site which had a reclamation permit previously issued pursuant to Chapter NR 135, Wisconsin Administrative Code that becomes subject to reclamation permitting authority of the County of Wood, the previously-issued municipal reclamation permit's terms and conditions shall remain in force until they can be modified by Wood County pursuant to sub. 802.23(1).

802.22 Review

Any permitting decision or action made by the County of Wood under this chapter may be reviewed as set forth in Section NR 135.30, Wisconsin Administrative Code.

PART IV - ADMINISTRATION

802.23 Permit Modification.

(1) By the County of Wood

A nonmetallic mining reclamation permit issued under this chapter may be modified by the County of Wood if it finds that, due to changing conditions, the nonmetallic mining site is no longer in compliance with this chapter. Such modification shall be by an order conforming to the procedures in s. 802.32 and as provided in Section NR 135.24(1), Wisconsin Administrative Code.

(2) At the Operator's Option

If the operator of any nonmetallic mine that holds a reclamation permit issued under this chapter desires to modify such permit or reclamation plan approved under this chapter, it may request such modification by submitting a written application for such modification to the Wood County Land Conservation Department, Wood County Courthouse, 400 Market Street, P.O. Box 8095, Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54495-8095. The application for permit or plan modification shall be acted on using the standards and procedures of this chapter.

(3) Required by the Operator

The operator of any nonmetallic mine that holds a reclamation permit issued under this chapter shall request a modification of such permit if required under the circumstances set out in Section NR 135.27, Wisconsin Administrative Code. Such application for permit modification shall be acted on using the standards and procedures of this chapter.

(4) Review

All actions on permit modifications requested or initiated under this section are subject to review under s.802.22

802.24 Permit Suspension or Revocation

(1) Grounds

The County of Wood may suspend or revoke a nonmetallic mining reclamation permit issued pursuant to this chapter if it finds any of the grounds listed in Section NR 135.25(1), Wisconsin Administrative Code.

(2) Procedures

If the County of Wood finds grounds for suspending or revoking a nonmetallic mining reclamation permit set forth in sub. 802.24(1), it may issue a special order suspending or revoking such permit as set forth in sub. 802.32(2).

(3) Consequences

The consequences of a reclamation permit suspension or revocation order under sub. 802.24(2) shall be as set forth in Sections NR 135.25(2) and (3), Wisconsin Administrative Code.

802.25 Annual Operator Reporting.

(1) Contents and Deadline

The operators of nonmetallic mining sites that satisfy the requirements of Section NR 135.36, Wisconsin Administrative Code, shall submit annual reports. These reports shall be for reclamation during a calendar year, and submitted in writing within 60 days of the end of each calendar year to the Wood County Land Conservation Department, Wood County Courthouse, 400 Market Street, P.O. Box 8095, Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54495-8095. Annual reports shall be submitted until reclamation at each nonmetallic mining site is certified as complete under sub. 802.29(3)

(2) Inspection in Lieu of Report

The County of Wood may, at its discretion, obtain the information required in sub. 802.25(1) by written documentation of an inspection it completes during a calendar year, as set forth in Section NR 135.36(4), Wisconsin Administrative Code.

(3) Retention of Annual Reports

Annual reports submitted under this section or inspection records that replace them shall be retained by the County of Wood for at least 10 years after the calendar year to which they apply. These records, or accurate copies of them, shall be made available to the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources upon written request or during its inspection or audit activities carried out pursuant to Chapter NR 135, Wisconsin Administrative Code.

802.26 Plan Review Fees

(1) Amount and Applicability

A person who intends to operate a nonmetallic mining site for which a permit application has been submitted under sub. 802.12(3) shall submit a non-refundable plan review fee of \$400.00 to the Wood County Land Conservation Department, Wood County Courthouse, 400 Market Street, P.O. Box 8095, Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54495-8095. No plan review fee

may be assessed under this section for any nonmetallic mine site for which an application for an automatic reclamation permit is submitted that meets the requirements of sub. 802.12(2) or for any local transportation-related mine issued an automatic permit under sub. 802.16(5). A separate plan review fee shall be paid under this section for any modification to an existing reclamation plan submitted pursuant to s.802.23.

(2) Expedited Plan Review Fee

A person who intends to operate a nonmetallic mining site for which a permit application has been submitted under sub. 802.12(3) may obtain expedited reclamation plan review by paying a fee of \$400.00. Such fee shall be in addition to that required in sub. 802.26(1).

(3) Relation to Annual Fee

Any reclamation plan review fee or expedited reclamation plan review fee collected under this section shall be added to and collected as part of the first annual fee collected under s. 802.27.

802.27 Annual Fees

(1) Areas Subject to Fees, Procedures and Deadline

Operators of all nonmetallic mining sites subject to reclamation permits issued under this chapter shall pay annual fees to the Wood County Land Conservation Department, 400 Market Street, P.O. Box 8095, Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54495-8095. Fees paid under this section shall include both a share for the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources under sub. 802.27(2) and a share for the County of Wood under sub. 802.27(3) that equals as closely as possible the costs of examination and approval of nonmetallic mining reclamation plans and the inspection of nonmetallic mining reclamation sites. These fees shall be calculated based on amount of unreclaimed acres of each site, as defined in Section NR 135.39(1), Wisconsin Administrative Code and according to its provisions. Such fees apply to a calendar year or any part of a year in which nonmetallic mining takes place, until final reclamation is certified as complete under s. 802.29. Fees shall be paid no later than December 31 before the year for which they apply.

(2) Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Share of Fee

Fees paid under this section shall include a share for the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources equal to the amount specified in Section NR 135.39(3), Wisconsin Administrative Code. For sites on which no nonmetallic mining has taken place during a calendar year, fees to be paid under this section for the following year shall be \$15.00.

(3) Wood County's Share of Fee

Fees paid under this section shall also include an annual fee due to Wood County as shown in Table 1. The amount of the fees under this section shall be established from time to time by the Land Conservation Committee.

Table 1 - Permit Fee Schedule

Mine Size in Unreclaimed Acres	Wood County's Share of Annual Fee	Wisconsin DNR Share of Annual Fee	Total Annual Fee
1 to 5 acres Does not include <	\$250	\$30	\$280
1 acre	\$230	φου	Φ200
6 to 10 acres	\$500	\$60	\$560
11 to 15 acres	\$750	\$90	\$840
16 to 25 acres	\$1005	\$120	\$1125
26 to 50 acres	\$1170	\$140	\$1310
51 acres or larger	\$1255	\$150	\$1405

(4) Reduced Fee for Inactive Mines

Any site on which no nonmetallic mining activity has taken place in a calendar year shall be assessed a fee for the following calendar year of \$50.00.

(5) Documentation of Wood County's Share of Fee

If the annual fee in sub. 802.27(3) is greater than that established in Section NR 135.39(4)(c), Wisconsin Administrative Code, the County of Wood shall document in writing its estimated program costs and the need for its annual fees established in sub 802.27(3) on or before July 17, 2001. This documentation shall be available for public inspection.

802.28 Regulatory Reporting and Documentation.

(1) Reporting

Wood County shall send an annual report to the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources including the information required by Section NR 135.37, Wisconsin Administrative Code.

(2) Documentation

Wood County shall, to the best of its ability, maintain the information set forth in Section NR 135.47(3), Wisconsin Administrative Code, and make it available to the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources for that agency's audit of Wood County's reclamation program pursuant to Section NR 135.47, Wisconsin Administrative Code.

802.29 Completed Reclamation - Reporting, Certification and Effect

(1) Reporting

The operator of a nonmetallic mining site may certify completion of reclamation for a portion or the entire nonmetallic mining site pursuant to a reclamation plan prepared and approved pursuant to this chapter and Chapter NR 135, Wisconsin Administrative Code.

(2) Reporting of Interim Reclamation

The operator of a nonmetallic mining site may report completion of interim reclamation as specified in the reclamation plan for the site prepared and approved pursuant to this chapter and Chapter NR 135, Wisconsin Administrative Code. Reporting of interim reclamation shall be done according to the procedures in sub. 802.29(1).

(3) Certification of Completed Reclamation

The County of Wood shall inspect a nonmetallic mining site for which reporting of reclamation or interim reclamation has been submitted pursuant to this subsection within 60 days of receipt, and make a determination in writing in accordance with Section NR 135.40(7)(c), Wisconsin Administrative Code. If it is determined that interim or final reclamation is complete, including revegetation as specified in a plan that conforms with s. 802.13, the County of Wood shall issue the mine operator a written certificate of completion.

(4) Effect of Completed Reclamation

If reclamation is certified by the County of Wood as complete under sub. 802.29(3) for part or all of a nonmetallic mining site, then:

- (1) No fee shall be assessed under s. 802.27 for the area so certified.
- (2) The financial assurance required by s. 802.14 shall be released or reduced in the case of completion for a portion of the mining site.

(5) Effect of Inaction Following Report of Completed Reclamation

If no written response as required by sub. 802.29(3) for an area of the mine site reported as reclaimed or interim reclaimed is given within 60 days of receiving such request, any annual fee paid to Wood County for it under s. 802.27 shall be refunded.

802.30 Permit Termination

When all final reclamation required by a reclamation plan conforming to s. 802.13 and required by this chapter is certified as complete pursuant to s. 802.28, the County of Wood shall issue a written statement to the operator of the nonmetallic mining site, thereby terminating the reclamation permit.

PART V - ENFORCEMENT

802.31 Right of Entry and Inspection

For the purpose of ascertaining compliance with the provisions of Subchapter I of Chapter 295, Wisconsin Statutes, Chapter NR 135, Wisconsin Administrative Code, or this chapter, any authorized officer, agent, employee or representative of the County of Wood may inspect any nonmetallic mining site subject to this chapter as provided in Section 295.17(1), Wisconsin Statutes and Section NR 135.42, Wisconsin Administrative Code.

802.32 Orders and Citations

(1) Enforcement Orders

The County of Wood may issue orders as set forth in Section 295.19(1)(a), Wisconsin Statutes to enforce Subchapter I of Chapter 295, Wisconsin Statutes, Chapter NR 135, Wisconsin Administrative Code, this chapter, a permit issued pursuant to this chapter or a reclamation plan required by s. 802.13 and a permit issued under this chapter. A violation of this chapter, an order or permit issued pursuant to this chapter or a reclamation plan required by s. 802.13 and a permit issued under this chapter shall be considered a violation of Subchapter I of Chapter 295, Wisconsin Statutes and Chapter NR 135, Wisconsin Administrative Code.

(2) Special Orders

The County of Wood may issue a special order as set forth in Sections 295.19(1)(b) and (c), Wisconsin Statutes suspending or revoking a nonmetallic mining reclamation permit pursuant to s. 802.24, or directing an operator to immediately cease an activity regulated under Subchapter I of Chapter 295, Wisconsin Statutes, Chapter NR 135, Wisconsin Administrative Code or this chapter until the necessary plan approval is obtained.

(3) Review of Orders

An order issued under sub. 802.32(1) or sub. 802.32(2) may be reviewed as provided in Section NR 135.43(2), Wisconsin Administrative Code.

(4) Enforcement.

The County of Wood may submit any order issued under s. 802.32 to the district attorney, the corporation counsel, the municipal attorney or the

attorney general for enforcement as provided in Section 295.19(1)(d), Wisconsin Statutes.

802.33 Penalties.

Any violation of Subchapter I of Chapter 295, Wisconsin Statutes, Chapter NR 135, Wisconsin Administrative Code, this chapter, a permit issued pursuant to this chapter or a reclamation plan required by s. 802.13 and a permit issued under this chapter may result in forfeitures as provided in Section 295.19(3), Wisconsin Statutes, as follows:

(1) Any person who violates Chapter NR 135, Wisconsin Administrative Code or an order issued under s. 802.32 may be required to forfeit not less than \$25 nor more than \$1,000 for each violation. Each day of continued violation is a separate offense. While an order issued under s. 802.32 is suspended, stayed or enjoined, this penalty does not accrue.

Except for the violations referred to in sub. (1), any person who violates subchapter I of ch. 295, Stats., Chapter NR 135, Wisconsin Administrative Code, any reclamation plan approved pursuant to this chapter or an order issued pursuant to s. 802.32 shall forfeit not less than \$10 nor more than \$5,000 for each violation. Each day of violation is a separate offense. While an order issued under s. 802.32 is suspended, stayed or enjoined, this penalty does not accrue.

NOTE: The Nonmetallic mining reclamation was adopted on, July 17, 2001, Table 1, Fee Schedule Change effective for the fees that are due December 31, 2002, Plan Review fee change effective January 1, 2004.

910 TIMBER SALE HISTORY

910.1 ANNUAL GROSS TIMBER SALE RECEIPTS *

Insert historical listing of timber sale gross receipts.

Wood County Forest

<u>Year</u>	Gross Receipts	<u>Year</u>	Gross Receipts
1985	\$ 23,423.84	1996	\$114,596.00
1986	\$ 29,663.59	1997	\$ 83,357.38
1987	\$ 26,346.82	1998	\$ 76,993.91
1988	\$ 26,152.02	1999	\$121,900.94
1989	\$ 31,369.65	2000	\$135,736.04
1990	\$ <i>36,435.98</i>	2001	\$326,757.57
1991	\$ 43,396.87	2002	\$171,620.53
1992	\$ 49,996.26	2003	\$324,588.42
1993	\$138,391.96	2004	\$414,132.26
1994	\$ 57,749.31	2005	\$434,234.87
1995	\$107,551.61		

915 PERMITS, USE AGREEMENTS, POLICIES AND CONTRACTS

FIREWOOD PERMIT

WOOD **COUNTY**

WOOD CUTTING WOOD CUTTING **PERMIT**

No. Of Standard Cords (4' X 4' X 8')

4 Standard Cords \$10.00

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AUTHORIZED BY

STARTING DATE:

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CONDITIONS:

- This permit grants limited permission to its holder to remove firewood from designated areas only on Wood County land.
- 2. Fuelwood permits are not transferable and payment is nonrefundable.
- Maps to active firewood areas are available at the Park & Forestry Office.
- 4. The Wood County Park & Forestry Department may immediately cancel or revoke this permit by giving oral or written notice upon breach of any condition or restriction of the permit. Such breach may also subject the violator to prosecution.
- Permittee must be present when cutting occurs. The permit shall be carried by the permittee while the fuelwood is being harvested and transported from the site.
- Permittee must display "Firewood Cutting Permit" visibly, on the front dash, or drivers side window of his/her vehicle when cutting firewood.
- Permittee must follow all instructions pertaining to the specific firewood area he/she is cutting in. Specific instructions are listed on each firewood area map.
- Firewood may not be removed with skidders, tractor, log truck, or any vehicle rated with a load capacity exceeding 1 ½ Tons or a gross vehicle weight of 12,000 lbs.
- 9. Permittee agrees Section 895.52, Wis. Stats., is applicable as to liability and, further, agrees to save and keep harmless Wood County and its employees against any and all liability claims, costs of whatever kind and nature, for injury to or death of any person of the loss or damage to any property, occurring in connection with or arising out of the occupancy, use, service, operation or performance of work in connection with removal of wood authorized under this permit of the permittee or permittee's agents.
- Permittee understands that he/she may be held responsible for damage to any county property that he/she may cause while operating under this permit.
- 11. All wood cut by the permittee must be for his/her personal use only and not to be sold.

I have read, understand, and agree to the above conditions.

 Signature of Permittee
Address
City, State, Zip Code
Phone Number

E-mail Address

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Signature of Permittee	
Address	
City, State, Zip Code	
Phone Number	
E-mail Address	

MISCELLANEOUS FOREST PRODUCTS PERMIT

WOOD COUNTY

MISC. FOREST PRODUCTS PERMIT

TYPE OF PRODUCT TO BE REMOVED:

QUANITY TO BE REMOVED:

TOTAL PAID	

ISSUED TO:

AUTHORIZED BY

STARTING DATE:

EXPIRATION DATE:



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WOOD COUNTY

MISC. FOREST PRODUCTS PERMIT

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ISSUED TO:

AUTHORIZED BY

STARTING DATE:

EXPIRATION DATE:



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CONDITIONS:

- This permit grants limited permission to its holder to remove specific miscellaneous forest products, as identified on the front side, from the Wood County Forest, and subject to the conditions and restrictions herein.
- Miscellaneous forest products permits are not transferable and payment is nonrefundable.
- The Wood County Park & Forestry
 Department may immediately cancel or
 revoke this permit by giving oral or written
 notice upon breach of any condition or
 restriction of the permit. Such breach may
 also subject the violator to prosecution.
- Permittee must be present when product removal occurs. The permit shall be carried by the permittee while the miscellaneous forest product is being harvested and transported from the site.
- 5. Permittee must display "Miscellaneous Forest Products Permit" visibly, on the front dash, or drivers side window of his/her vehicle when harvesting/collecting.
- 6. Permittee agrees Section 895.52, Wis. Stats., is applicable as to liability and, further, agrees to save and keep harmless Wood County and its employees against any and all liability claims, costs of whatever kind and nature, for injury to or death of any person of the loss or damage to any property, occurring in connection with or arising out of the occupancy, use, service, operation or performance of work in connection with removal of miscellaneous forest product authorized under this permit of the permittee or permittee's agents.
- Permittee understands that he/she may be held responsible for damage to any county property that he/she may cause while operating under this permit.
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Other conditions:

I have read, un	nderstand, and agree to the above conditions.
Sig	gnature of Permittee
Ac	ldress, City, Zip
Ph	one Number

Signature of Authorized Co. Rep.

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I have read, understand, and agree to the above cor	nditions.
Signature of Permittee	
Address, City, Zip	
Phone Number	

Signature of Authorized Co. Rep.

Other conditions:

915.3 ACCESS PERMIT

ACCESS PERMIT Wood County Park & Forestry Department Box 8095 Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54495-8095

This access permit is entered into by and between the County of Wood hereinafter referred to as "Owner" and hereinafter referred to as "Permittee", for the sole purpose of obtaining ingress and egress across the following described land of owner in Wood County Wisconsin.

Legal Description (See attached map)

This permit shall be in effect for a permit commencing the day of, 20	eriod, , and
The Permittee shall pay the Owner December	ollars terms
and conditions upon mutual agreement of the Owner and	

It is understood by the Owner and the Permittee that this permit is subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Prior to this permit taking effect, the Permittee shall submit for approval to the Owner a plan describing any construction and maintenance on the above described property. No deviations from this plan will be allowed without the prior written approval of the Owner.
- 2. Accessway improvements and upgrading must be approved in advance and will be supervised by the Wood County Forest Administrator. Prior notification of not less than ten (10) working days is required before work starts.
- 3. If the Owner determines that further use of the above-described property by the Permittee is not in the best interest of the owner, for whatever reason, the owner reserves the right to cancel this permit by sixty (60) days written notice to the Permittee by the Owner.
- 4. This permit is nontransferable.
- 5. The accessway width is to be no greater than one rod (16.5 feet).
- 6. No cutting or trimming of trees shall be done without the prior written approval of the Owner. All wood cut is the property of Wood County.

- 7. Any wood products approved for cutting will be cut and piled by species and all wood in 100 inch lengths cut to a 4 inch top diameter.
- 8. Present and future forest management, timber sales, timber stand improvement, reforestation or other forest or recreational activity shall be of high priority of the Owner and in no way should be hindered by this agreement.
 - 9. All stumps, slash, waste materials and other debris resulting from the permitted land use shall be disposed of by the Permittee as directed by the Owner.
- 10. The Permittee shall maintain the area under this permit in a safe and environmentally sound condition at all times, causing no obstruction to free and uninhibited use by the public.
- 11. No gates, signs, or other articles of the Permittee will be allowed on the Owner's land.
- 12. This land use agreement does not extend to the Permittee any permission to use County Forest Land for personal use or to store equipment, lumber, or other miscellaneous items.
- 13. The accessway is not to be used to gain access to a domicile or place of business.
- 14. The Permittee agrees to reimburse the Owner for any property or environmental damage to the subject property that may arise from the construction, maintenance or use of the described lands.
- 15. This permit does not give the Permittee, its members or agents, any rights pertaining to hunting or trapping; said rights remain under the control of the Owner.
- 16. The Owner continues full ownership of the improved roadway and land; however, it shall not be liable for maintenance or upkeep of the road.
- 17. The Permittee agrees to waive any rights to any declaration of ownership or interest in the road on the Owner's land.
- 18. Should the general intended use, for which this permit was granted, be changed or altered, this permit shall be automatically null and void by action of the Wood County Park & Forestry Committee. Intended use is

^{19.} Permittee assures in writing, per attached document, that no other private access into his/her property can be gained.

OTHER CONDITIONS

20.	Permittee agrees to grant Wood County thoroughfare through Permittee's property, as described on exhibit 'B' attached hereto and made a part hereof. It is understood that Wood County will be subject to the same conditions as described for the Permittee in items #
harm claim or what objecthe	Permittee agrees to protect, indemnify, save and hold less the Owner, its agents and employes, from and against all ms, demands, suits, liability and expense, by reason of loss damage to any property or bodily injury to any person soever, that may arise from the construction and placement of cts on the described lands and from the maintenance or use of described land, and the Permittee shall defend the Owner in such action or claim upon request of the Owner.
—— Perm	ittee
	Date
Fore	st Administrator
	Data
	Date Access Permit is authorized by the Wood County Park and stry Committee pursuant to their minutes of

915.4 CAMPING POLICY / PERMIT

No permits are necessary for camping on the Wood County Forest. See County Forestry Ordinance 905.2.1 for policy on camping.

915.5 TREE STAND POLICY

See Wood County Forestry Ordinance 905.2.1 for policy on tree stands and hunting blinds.

915.6 SHOOTING RANGE AGREEMENT

The Wood County Rifle and Pistol Club operates and maintains a shooting range open to club members, and to the general public at designated times, on the Wood County Forest. The current use agreement expires on 12-31-09 and is included as follows:

AGREEMENT

WITNESSETH:

That the County hereby agrees to let the Club use the following described real estate, to wit:

Described as the West 1/2 of the West 1/2 of the SW4 Section 21, Township 22 North, Range 5 East, Wood County, Wisconsin (Said area encompassing a developed 600 yard shooting range, and further depicted on attached diagram).

The County agrees that the Club may construct and maintain a rifle and pistol range with backstop, target pit, shooting positions and such building or buildings as are necessary to store equipment and facilitate the use of the range. No forest products shall be cut or taken without the consent of the Wood County Park & Forestry Committee.

The Club agrees that this land shall be open to the public for hunting, fishing and trapping so long as the same does not conflict with the safety and use of the property as a rifle range.

The Club agrees that the above described premises are to be used for a public rifle and pistol range.

Because of the necessity of maintaining proper safety standards, and to preserve the improvements installed at substantial effort and expense to the club, the use of the range facilities shall be limited exclusively to times designated by the club, and the club shall be responsible for establishing reasonable rules and regulations for use of the range by members of the public and control of the facilities and persons in the area during the use thereof. Said rules and regulations are to be posted at the rifle and pistol range.

The Club agrees to take all reasonable and necessary safety precautions.

The term of this Agreement shall run from date hereof to December 31, 2009, except that either party may terminate by giving thirty (30) days written notice.

This Agreement is non-assignable.

The Club agrees to indemnify and hold Wood County harmless from any damages or liability whatsoever that may arise from the use of said area. The Club agrees to supply Wood County with a certificate of Liability Coverage in the amount of \$1,000,000, to be renewed annually for the term of the contract. It is further agreed that Wood County shall be named as an Additional Insured on that coverage/insurance policy.

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WOOD COUNTY

Ron Arendt,

Department Head, Wood County Parks and Forestry

Department

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of:

WOOD COUNTY RIFLE & PISTOL CLUB BY:

Hand Holes

Robert & Lee Sr. Club Treasurer

915.7 TIMBER SALE CONTRACT

WOOD COUNTY FOREST TIMBER SALE CONTRACT

	Contract No
Cou	contract is made by and between the Wood County Park & Forestry Committee, Wood nty, Wisconsin, hereinafter called the Seller, andinafter called the Purchaser.
	Seller hereby authorizes the Purchaser to cut and remove all timber marked or designated be Seller on the following described lands, hereinafter called the premises, formerly:
	Section , T N, R E, Town of
	ch are further described on the map, diagrams, and cutting requirements attached hereto made a part hereof.
	Seller and the Purchaser mutually agree that this contract is subject to the following litions:
	CONTRACT PERIOD AND TERMINATION
1.	Cutting of timber on the premises may start after the Seller and Purchaser have signed this contract and will continue with reasonable diligence so that the logging operation will be completed no later than The Seller may temporarily suspend this contract at any time. The Purchaser shall notify the Seller when the operation has been completed.
2.	The Seller may terminate this contract for a breach of any condition or for any reason deemed necessary by the Seller by giving the Purchaser five days written notice thereof or immediately if property damage or safety is of concern.
3.	The Seller may grant one year (or less) extensions if deemed necessary. See contract extension policy attached hereto and made a part here of.
4.	Purchaser has provided the Seller with an <u>irrevocable letter of credit or cash bond</u> in the amount of \$ to be held until the completion of all conditions of this contract to the satisfaction of the Seller. If the Seller determines there is a breach of any condition then, at the discretion of the Seller, all of the deposit or performance bond or any portion thereof shall be forfeited to the Seller for damages. Before returning any cash or the performance bond to the Purchaser, the Seller shall have sixty (60) days from the time it receives notice of the completion date or termination date, whichever occurs first, to inspect the premises to determine if the contract has been satisfactorily performed. In addition to exercising any of its rights under the performance bond or in connection with this clause or the deposit the Seller may also seek actual damages and other remedies available to it under the law or this contract.

PAYMENT

- 5. No forest products shall be removed from the premises until paid for or guarantees for payment satisfactory to the Seller are provided.
- 6. Title to any forest products cut under this contract shall remain with the Seller until stumpage is received by the Seller.
- 7. a. The Purchaser agrees to pay stumpage payments indicated in Sub. B in the form acceptable to the Seller for marked or designated timber cut or removed under this contract. The volume of timber indicated is an estimate. The Seller does not give any guarantee or warranty respecting quality, quantity or volume of the marked or designated timber on the premises.
 - b. Stumpage payment schedule.

Species	Product	Volume	Price Per Unit	Total Value of Estimated Volume
			\$	\$
			\$	\$
			\$	\$
TOTAL				\$

* STANDARD UTILIZATION ** INCREASED UTILIZATION *** WHOLE TREE UTILIZATION

- c. The Purchaser agrees to pay double stumpage payments as liquidated damages for timber removed from the premises without advance payment or authorization as required in Clause 9 and for unmarked or non-designated timber cut or damaged through carelessness, negligence or intention.
- d. Purchaser agrees to make stumpage payment at the rate indicated in Clause 7B, for timber marked or designated on premises which is destroyed or reduced in value as a result of the Purchaser's operation or negligence.
- e. The Seller may charge, and the Purchaser agrees to pay, double stumpage for any timber left, cut or uncut, on the sale area if purchaser does not wish to have the contract renewed or extended.
- 8. Payment instructions: (All stumpage payments will be cash, certified check or bank money order unless other arrangements are made with Seller).

SCALING

- 9. All wood will be piled conveniently for scaling, but not on town road right-of-way and not removed until scaled by authorized representative of the seller.
- Mill scale ticket system may, upon approval of the Seller, be accepted provided arrangements are made with the Forest Administrator and scale slips are mailed or delivered to the Forestry Office as wood is hauled; destination of wood to be indicated in advance. The County will bill by invoice all scale slips, and payment will be required within 10 days of billing.

MILL SCALE TICKET SYSTEM

- 11. Tickets may only be issued when the Contract is signed and periodically thereafter as needed. Tickets are to be paid for upon receipt by the contractor. The price of the tickets will be based on an average price calculated by the Forest Administrator. The Purchaser shall account for all tickets. Unused tickets shall be returned to the Seller immediately upon completion or termination of the Contract.
- 12. Lock boxes shall be placed on the premises by the Seller.
- 13. The Purchaser shall provide the Seller with a list of all destinations of timber to be removed from the premises. Changes in timber destination shall be reported before hauling to the new destination.
- 14. Prior to hauling any timber, the Purchaser agrees to provide, on forms supplied by the Seller, intent of all buyers of cut timber from the premises to return copies of scale slips attached to corresponding tickets. Purchaser agrees to sell no cut timber to any buyer who has not provided written verification of his/her intent to return scale slips and tickets.
- 15. Each time a load of cut timber leaves the sale area, the appropriate portion of the ticket shall be clearly and completely filled out and deposited in the lock box.
- 16. Failure to deposit tickets in the lock box each time a load of cut timber leaves the sale area shall be considered a breach of contract. Purchaser agrees to pay double the stumpage rate as indicated in Clause 2 as liquidated damages for such removed timber.
- 17. Tickets are issued for the contract specified on each individual ticket and shall not be used for any other contract.
- 18. When transporting timber from the sale area, the truck driver shall have in his/her possession the appropriate portion of the ticket applicable to the load.

- 19. A list of all truckers that will be hauling timber from the premises shall be provided to the Seller by the Purchaser. It shall be the responsibility of the Purchaser to provide such truckers with appropriate tickets.
- 20. The Seller may check scale and scale tickets at any time.
- 21. Truck Delivery: The appropriate portion of the ticket shall be detached at the point where the timber is scaled and attached to a duplicate copy of the scale slip and then immediately returned to the Seller.
- 22. Rail Car Shipment to a Mill: The appropriate portion of the ticket shall be attached to the bill of lading for the car. At the mill, the ticket shall be attached to a copy of the scale slip, then immediately returned to the Seller.
- 23. Other conditions: (If none, write NONE):

SCALING AND CONVERSION FACTORS

- 24. The Seller may inspect trucks hauling forest products from the premises and check scale at any time.
- 25. When peeled cord wood is measured, it is agreed that 12.5% will be added to hand peeled or ring debarked volume, and 25% will be added to other machine peeled volume to compute equivalent non-peeled volume.
- 26. The Scribner Decimal C Log Rule shall be used for scaling logs.
- 27. Conversion of MBF (thousand board feet) to cords or cords to MBF will be 2.44 cords per MBF for softwoods and 2.20 cords per MBF for hardwoods.
- 28. Other conversion factors are as follows:

UTILIZATION

- 29. Cutting requirements: (DBH represents the diameter at 4.5 feet above ground). See the timber sale prospectus and the attached map.
- 30. Utilization specifications: Merchantable trees are those that have one or more 100 inch sticks with the following top diameter:
 - <u>Standard utilization</u> Aspen pulp 5" top Diameter, Hardwood pulp 5" top, Pine pulp 4" top, Hardwood Sawlogs 10" top diameter, Pine Sawlogs 9" top.
 - <u>Increased utilization</u> Trees that meet the standard utilization requirements for merchantability (as listed above) but must be utilized to a two-inch top diameter.

- Whole tree utilization Trees with a DBH of three inches or greater must be entirely utilized.
- 31. Maximum stump height shall not exceed stump diameter, and for stumps of diameter less than 10 inches, it shall not exceed 10 inches.
- 32. All and only the timber marked or designated for cutting on the premises shall be cut whether it be more or less than the volume listed herein. Unmarked or non-designated trees cut or damaged through carelessness, negligence or intention shall be paid for at double the stumpage rate specified or at a rate to be determined by the Seller, if not specified.
- 33. Any timber wasted in tops and stumps, broken in careless felling or not removed on termination of this contract shall be paid for at the specified rate.
- 34. The Purchaser shall be particularly careful not to damage the residual timber stands. Young growth bent or held down by felled trees shall be promptly released. Trees damaged through normal cutting operations may be designated for cutting by the Seller and harvested if merchantable.

TRAINING REQUIREMENT

35. The Purchaser is responsible for ensuring that the actual logging contractor engaged in performance of this contract complies with the Wisconsin SFI (Sustainable Forestry Initiative) Training Standard as adopted by the Wisconsin SFI Implementation Committee (SIC). Criteria for the standard can be found at the website www.fistausa.org/sfi.standards or by contacting the Forest Industry Safety & Training Alliance (FISTA). Purchaser agrees to provide documentation to Seller that training has been attained prior to initiating sale.

SLASH AND DEBRIS DISPOSAL

36. The Purchaser agrees to comply with the State Slash Law, Section 26.12(b), Wisconsin Statutes, and with requests regarding forest fire prevention and suppression made by the Seller.

In addition the Purchaser agrees to comply with the following:

- a. All slash, including hanging trees, tops or limbs in standing trees, must be reduced to a maximum specified height of <u>36</u> inches.
- b. No slash will be deposited, or machinery operated, in lakes or streams.
- c. No slash, logging debris, or machinery operation is permitted outside the sale boundary, unless approved by the Forest Administrator.

- d. The Purchaser will properly dispose of all debris or material not natural to the land, as it is generated.
- 37. The Purchaser agrees to take reasonable precautions to prevent the starting and spreading of fires. Those precautions include, but are not limited to:
 - a. A minimum of one fully charged 5 pound or larger ABC fire extinguisher with a flexible spout shall be carried on each off-road logging vehicle.
 - b. All chainsaws and equipment used in the operation shall be equipped with spark arresters, which have been approved by the U.S. Forest Service. Such arresters may not be altered in any manner or removed. (Information on approved arresters may be obtained from the Seller.)
 - c. If a fire occurs, the Purchaser shall promptly assist in the control and suppression of the fire.
 - d. The Purchaser shall comply with requests regarding forest fire prevention and suppression made by the Seller and take all reasonable precautions to prevent, suppress and report forest fires. Those requests may include ceasing or modifying operations.
 - e. The purchaser shall be responsible for damage and forest fire suppression costs in accordance with s. 26.14 and 26.21, Wis. Stats. caused by their operation under this Contract.
 - f. Other.
- 38. Other slash disposal requirements are as follows:
- 39. The Purchaser shall remove, to the satisfaction of the Seller, all solid waste, trash and debris generated by the Purchaser.

ROADS, CAMPS, LANDINGS, SURVEY CORNERS

- 40. Location, construction, and use of logging roads, mill sites and campsites is subject to advance approval by the Seller. All such areas or facilities used or constructed by the Purchaser must be operated, maintained and restored prior to termination of the contract in a manner satisfactory to the Seller. Purchaser shall repair damage to existing and new roads.
- 41. No residence or dwelling or permanent structure or improvement shall be established or constructed on the premises.

- 42. Logging roads that intersect town, county, or state roads or highways, must have the intersections approved by the proper authorities prior to construction and cleared of all unsightly debris at the time of construction.
- 43. Landings and decking sites are not allowed within 100 feet of any public road, unless approved by the Forest Administrator.
- 44. The Purchaser agrees to pay for the cost of repair or replacement of any land survey monuments or accessories, which are removed or destroyed or made inaccessible. In the event that the performance bond is insufficient to cover such cost, Section 59.635, Wisconsin Statutes, Perpetuation of Landmarks, may be enforced.

SOIL DISTURBANCE AND RUTTING

- 45. The Purchaser agrees to take all steps and precautions to avoid and minimize soil disturbances, such as soil compaction and rutting.
- 46. Excessive soil disturbance (as defined in Table 1) will not be permitted. Purchaser agrees to contact Seller and work cooperatively to mitigate any and all instances of soil disturbance and rutting.
- 47. Prior to sale completion the Purchaser shall restore soil disturbances to the Seller's satisfaction.
- 48. Other restoration requirements (e.g. repair of soil disturbances or rutting on recreational trails used for skidding trails):

Table 1. Thresholds for soil disturbances.

County Forest Infrastructure	Soil disturbances are excessive if:
Roads, Landings, Skid Trails, and General Harvest Area	 A gully or rut is 6 inches deep or more and it resulting in channelized flow to a wetland, stream, or lake.
Roads. Landings. and Primary Skid Trails	 In a riparian management zone (RMZ) or wetland, a gully or rut is 6 inches deep or more and 100 feet long or more. In an upland area (outside of RMZ), a gully or rut is 10 inches deep or more and 66 feet long or more.
Secondary Skid Trails and General Harvest Area	 Gully or rut is 6 inches deep or more and 100 feet long or more.

Note: The depth is to be measured from the original soil surface to the bottom of the depression. If individual lug depressions are visible, the depth would be measured to the lesser of the two depths (the "top" of the lug). The length is measured from the start of the "too deep" section to the end of the "too deep" section. Measurements are not cumulative.

OTHER

- 49. Purchaser shall be responsible for determining the boundaries of the sale area and shall be liable for all trespass committed by Purchaser outside of such boundaries.
- 50. The Purchaser shall notify Forest Administrator at the time the cutting begins.
- 51. The Purchaser agrees to complete all operations on each portion of the premises or each compartment as designated in the cutting requirements.
- 52. No wood product shall be removed from the premises without prior notification to the Administrator for each occurrence.
- 53. The Purchaser agrees not to do or allow any waste or nuisance upon the premises.
- 54. Purchaser agrees to make stumpage payment at the specified rate for timber marked or designated on the premises, which is destroyed or reduced in value as a result of the Purchaser's operation or negligence.
- 55. The decision of the Committee acting on the advice of its agent and the Department of Natural Resources Forester, as to whether Purchaser is in compliance with the terms of this contract, shall be final.
- 56. The Seller shall give the Purchaser notice in the event of a breach of any condition of the contract. All operations shall cease forth with upon receipt of such notice by the Purchaser, and continued occupancy shall be a trespass. Operations may not be resumed without written authorization from the Seller.
- 57. The purchaser shall haul all wood within two weeks of cutting as a measure to prevent insect infestations.

INSURANCE AND LIABILITY

- 58. The Purchaser shall provide the Seller with a Certificate of Insurance, from an insurance company duly licensed to transact the business of Workers Compensation in the state of Wisconsin, indicating that Worker's Compensation Insurance coverage is provided for employees of the Purchaser, in compliance with Chapter 102, Stats., working under the contract for its duration prior to any performance under it. Such Certificate of Insurance shall further include the condition that the insurer shall notify the Seller within five (5) days of any change in its terms or twenty (20) days prior to its termination.
 - A person claiming that coverage is not required under Chapter 102, Stats. shall provide the basis for such opinion in writing to the Seller.
- 59. The Purchaser agrees to protect, indemnify and save harmless the Seller from and against any and all causes of action, claims, demands, suits, liability or expense by

reason of loss or damage to any property or bodily injury to any person, including death, as a direct or indirect result of timbering operations or in connection with any action or omission of the Purchaser, who shall defend the Seller in any such cause of action or claim.

60. Purchaser agrees that, in order to protect itself as well as the Seller under the indemnification provision set forth in the above paragraph, Purchaser will at all times during the terms of this contract keep in force a liability insurance policy, including contractual liability coverage, issued by a company authorized to do business in the State of Wisconsin and licensed by the Wisconsin Insurance Department. Upon the execution of this contract, Purchaser will furnish the Seller with written verification of the existence of such insurance. This verification, typically in the form of a certificate provided by the purchaser's insurance company, **must name Wood County as an "Additional Insured".**

EMPLOYMENT

- 61. The Purchaser is an independent contractor and not an employee or agent of the Seller.
- 62. To the extent that it is applicable to the Purchaser, the Purchaser agrees to comply with Wisconsin Worker's Compensation Act, Chapter 102, Wisconsin Statutes, and all rules promulgated thereunto.
- 63. The Purchaser agrees not to discriminate against an employee or applicant for employment because of age, race, religion, color, sex, handicap, physical condition, development disability or national origin, regarding employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, lay-off or termination, rates of pay or other form of compensation, and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The Purchaser further agrees to take affirmative action to ensure equal employment opportunities for persons with disabilities.
- 64. Jobbers and other employees who, on this timber sale or on previous state or county timber sales, have been unsatisfactory in the execution of their work, or in their integrity, shall upon written request by the Seller, be barred from work on the premises by the Purchaser.

DISPUTES, ASSIGNMENT AND CHANGES

65. Disputes regarding quality and quantity may be settled by arbitration in accordance with Chapter 788, Wisconsin Statutes, if the party alleging such a dispute notifies the other party in writing thereof within ten (10 days) after the notifying party became aware of, or reasonably could have become aware of, such dispute.

66. This contract cannot be assigned or subcontracted in part or in whole without prior written approval from the Seller and may be changed or amended only in writing. The Purchaser shall notify the Surety, if any, of such change or amendment.

CONTRACTING PARTIES

- 67. In this contract, the Seller and the Purchaser include their respective officers, employees, agents, directors, sub-contractors, assignees, partners, representatives, successors, heirs, members and servants.
- 68. If the Purchaser ceases to exist, in fact or by law, the Seller may immediately terminate this contract and, without waiving any remedies available to it, perform the contract.

TIMBER SALE CONTRACT EXTENSION POLICY

The Wood County Park & Forestry Committee is responsible for the extension of timber sale contracts and would like to see sales cut in a timely manner. The Committee grants contract extensions and associated stumpage increases at their discretion. Each contract extension/stumpage increase will be determined on a case by case basis with factors such as: access, weather, ground conditions, silvicultural objectives, balances owed, natural disasters, etc. taken into account.

In general, the Committee may be more willing to grant first extensions without any stumpage increase if a job has been started. Contracts that are two years old with no activity, and contracts that have had more than one extension are of special concern and are more likely to have stumpage increases assessed. There may be special contracts that have no flexibility in length due to timing of silvicultural considerations, storm damage, etc. In these cases contract length will be fixed, and the contractor should expect to be penalized for not completing the sale in the time specified in the contract. Additionally, contracts that have had multiple extensions may not be extended in the future.

The typical contract extension will be for one year. The extension/stumpage increase schedule is as follows:

Extension #3	10% (minimum) to 25% (maximum) increase
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RECREATIONAL INVENTORY

The following is a listing of developed recreational amenities located within the Wood County Forest:

Campgrounds – 1 located in Dexter Park

<u>Campsites</u> – 95 located in Dexter Park

<u>Group Campgrounds</u> – No designated group sites, however group camping can be arranged in "overflow" areas in Dexter Park Campground.

<u>Hiking Trails</u> – 6 miles located primarily within Dexter Park.

Swimming Beaches – 1 located in Dexter Park.

<u>Boat landings</u> – 2 located in Dexter Park.

<u>Picnic Areas / shelters</u> – 2 shelters located in Dexter Park, many picnic areas throughout Dexter Park

<u>Snowmobile Trails</u> – 257.8 miles of state funded trails countywide.

<u>ATV Trails</u> – Approximately 10 miles located in intensive use area in the "Seneca Block" of the County Forest.

<u>Handicapped Fishing Piers</u> – 1 located in Dexter Park.

<u>Handicapped Hunting Blinds</u> – 2 located in the "Seneca Block" of the County Forest.

<u>Developed Hunter Parking Areas</u> – 6

Shooting Ranges – 2 located in the "Seneca Block" of the County Forest.

920.2 STATEMENT OF COUNTY FOREST LOAN *

Attach DNR Report #S659-53A (available from County Forest Specialist)

REPORT IS STATEMENT OF COUNTY FOREST LOAN ACCOUNTS AS OF JUNE 30, 2006

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PREPARED BY JEFFREY D. BARKLEY, BUREAU OF FORESTRY WI. DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

July 12, 2006

920.3 GYPSY MOTH MANAGEMENT PLAN

Management of Gypsy Moth Outbreaks on the Wood County Forest* (February 2006)

Background

Gypsy moth (*Lymantria dispar*) is a forest pest that is native to Europe and Asia. It was introduced to North America in 1869 near Boston, Massachusetts, as part of an attempt to breed hardy silkworms. At first it spread slowly, as is typical of many invasive species. As people have become more mobile, the rate of gypsy moth spread has increased. As of 2005, the moth is now established as far west as Wisconsin and as far south as North Carolina.

The gypsy moth's rate of natural spread is variable, tending to be faster in xeric landscapes, under drought conditions, and where more of the land area is occupied by contiguous forests with >50% of basal area in preferred tree species. These preferred species include oak, aspen, willow, birch, basswood, and tamarack. Gypsy moth is also moved long distances by people. Caterpillars and egg masses can be carried on vehicles, equipment, nursery stock, and forest products such as logs and bark chips.

Once the gypsy moth is established in a new area, its effects are minimal for a decade or more as population levels slowly build up to a threshold where outbreaks (a dramatic and rapid population increase) are possible. Buildup to the threshold for outbreaks occurs more rapidly in forests where favored hosts are dominant and conditions are dry. During an outbreak, the population will increase within two growing seasons to levels so high that they can exceed their food source. Preferred tree species can be entirely stripped and less favored trees will also suffer significant defoliation in late June to mid July. Most populations remain high enough to cause heavy defoliation (>50%) for only one year before the population crashes from starvation and disease, but sometimes outbreaks can persist over two years. Once an outbreak has collapsed, it will take years for the population to recover to the threshold where outbreaks again will be possible. In the last 50 years, outbreaks have developed regionally about every 10 years, though the period between outbreaks for a given area can be shorter or much longer.

The area affected by an outbreak can vary from a few acres to tens of thousands of acres. Where there is contiguous forest dominated by a favored host such as oak or aspen, outbreaks and heavy defoliation can occur over vast areas. Where the forest is fragmented, such as in agricultural lands or urbanized areas, the gypsy moth population may be high over the region for several years, but outbreaks will be limited by the extent of favorable hosts at any given site. Defoliation will be patchy, and many woodlots or neighborhoods may not be defoliated even though regionally the population of gypsy moth is high.

Most deciduous trees will survive defoliation from gypsy moth and will produce a second set of leaves in late July. Refoliation is energetically demanding, however, and stresses

the tree. If a tree is unhealthy, suppressed or otherwise previously stressed, the additional effort of refoliation may cause dieback or mortality. Mortality in a stand will be higher following defoliation if the stand has a pre-existing stress such as thinning shock or drought. Secondary pests such as two-lined chestnut borer or Armillaria root rot can more easily attack stressed trees and are usually the ultimate cause of mortality in defoliated trees that die. Coniferous trees vary in their ability to recover from defoliation. Some conifers, such as white pine and tamarack, recover from a single defoliation as well as a deciduous tree. Other species that retain needles for much longer periods, such as hemlock, are unlikely to survive even one heavy defoliation.

Tree mortality following defoliation is usually less than 20% of the stand, although losses of more than 50% are not uncommon. Some management goals are incompatible with such anticipated levels of mortality or with defoliation alone. It is important to plan in advance for the development of gypsy moth outbreaks so that property goals are clearly defined and, if potential impacts are unacceptable, to consider options for managing damage from gypsy moth during outbreaks.

Wood County Forest – Timber Resources and Susceptibility

Wood County Forest is approximately 37,000 acres in size located in the southern one-third of the county. Most of the county forest lands lie in the lakebed of Glacial Lake Wisconsin. Soils are generally sandy and the water table is near the surface in many areas. Some areas of finer textured soils (silt loams) do occur in the Owl Creek and Hiles blocks. These areas are generally more productive for tree growth but are predominantly poorly drained to somewhat poorly drained sites.

The primary forest types on the Wood County Forest are aspen, oak, and red & white pines. The forest types most susceptible to gypsy moth defoliation are aspen, oak, and birch. Aspen is by far the major forest type, occupying 60% of the forested landscape, or 17,616 acres. Oak forests account for 5,015 acres while birch forests are found on only 61 acres.

The susceptibility of forest stands to defoliation varies with a number of factors. Susceptibility is the risk of heavy defoliation of the stand as a whole if a gypsy moth outbreak occurs. Stands with a high percentage of preferred species, older stands (stands considered mature or over-mature for the site), stands located on dry or nutrient poor soils (sandy soils), stand on south or west facing slopes, and stands with abundant daytime hiding locations for caterpillars (i.e. branchy oaks with dead limbs, loose bark, holes, and deep bark fissures) are more susceptible to defoliation by gypsy moth.

The vulnerability of forest stands is the likelihood of tree mortality following defoliation and is related to the health and vigor of the stand prior to defoliation. Susceptible forest types that are already stressed from other factors will likely see higher mortality rates following attack by gypsy moth. Of particular risk are oak stands due to the following factors:

- Much of Wood County's oak resource is found on dry, sandy sites.
- The black and pin oak found here also have the branching and bark characteristics mentioned previously as attractive to gypsy moth.
- 73% of the oak stands on the Wood County Forest are mature or over-mature (60 years in age or older) for the sandy soil sites.

Oak trees growing on these types of sites will be more vulnerable to gypsy moth because of natural stresses from limitations in the amount of water and nutrients available on sandy soils. Aspen forests are also of concern in Wood County. In contrast to oak though, only 20% of Wood County's aspen acreage is at or beyond maturity. Aspen stands also tend to have a much greater density of trees making any mortality that does occur less significant to the stand as a whole.

Property-level Considerations

Active management to maintain aspen and oak forests due to their economic, wildlife, and recreational values is one of the major goals for forest management on the Wood County Forest. Recreation use on this forest is very important to the local economy, the state tourism industry and the people of Wisconsin as a whole.

Wood County has one campground within the boundary of the county forest – Dexter Park – and it is in this area where the largest impact from gypsy moth will likely be felt. The park has an abundance of mature black oak stands which will attract gypsy moth populations. Park users will be impacted during outbreak years, especially during late June to early July when feeding and the physical size of caterpillars is at its peak.

The ATV Recreation Area in the town of Seneca is another area where a recreational use is concentrated. Most of the forested acreage here is in pine plantations so the numbers of gypsy moth caterpillars during an outbreak should not be as high as they will be in a more oak dominated landscape. Recreational use in the rest of the forest is more dispersed (i.e. hunting) and occurs at a time of the year when gypsy moth caterpillars and adult moths will not be present.

Tools for management of gypsy moth outbreaks.

There are a number of tools to manage gypsy moth and/or its damage. Property managers can use more than one tool and for some properties, such as large parks, managers may use all the tools below. Management tools include: silviculture, biological controls, suppression of outbreaks with insecticides, physical controls, and education and communication with the public.

Silvicultural treatments can be used to reduce defoliation and mortality, although they cannot be guaranteed to work in every situation. Silvicultural treatments that can be considered for application include: release of seedling and sapling stands; thinning and

improvement cutting; salvage, pre-salvage, and sanitation; altering species composition, and stand regeneration through natural or artificial means.

Biological Controls can help slow development of outbreaks and contribute to their collapse. Once established, natural enemies will maintain themselves without further attention. Three gypsy moth specific natural enemies are currently established in Wisconsin and are available for redistribution from the gypsy moth program. Contact the regional gypsy moth program staff or Andrea Diss in June to obtaining stock for introductions in July and August.

Suppression Sprays can be used to prevent or minimize defoliation when an outbreak threatens stands and the anticipated levels of defoliation and/or mortality are not tolerable.

Physical Controls include oiling or removing egg masses, barrier bands and burlap collection bands. They can be effective in limiting defoliation within small areas, such as specimen trees around buildings or picnic grounds, but are not practical in larger forested areas. In high use areas, they can be valuable educational tools by demonstrating that gypsy moth management is occurring on the property.

Public education and communication of gypsy moth management plans will increase the public's tolerance of outbreaks and damage, reduce demands for action or stopping treatments, and help to give visitors a positive impression of management of the property.

No Action may be the appropriate action to take in many cases. This may be due to a lack of access for logging, lack of funds for insecticide treatments, lack of staff to carry out physical controls, or the decision that no action is the best management choice. The decision to take no action will be documented so the rationale behind the decision can be explained to the public.

Selecting Sites for Treatment

Over-all management for the gypsy moth will be done with normal silviculture treatments to maintain a healthy forest and reduce the level of mortality following an outbreak. However, high recreational use areas and specifically identified stands may get more intensive treatments depending on the severity of the threat of an outbreak or once an outbreak has occurred. This will be done on a case by case bases depending on the susceptibility of the stand to defoliation.

Dexter Park will be monitored for possible intensive control measures when the threat of an outbreak occurs.

Those oak stands that receive a silvicultural treatment, such as a thinning or shelterwood harvest, will be queried using the GIS system, and again appropriate control measures may be implemented when an outbreak threatens.

In all other stands (for all species) mortality surveys need only be done following an outbreak to determine if salvage is necessary.

On all sites, any treatment that would add stress should be avoided for 1 to 2 years following an outbreak.

Suppression of outbreaks

The area requiring treatment may be very small, such as a few specimen trees within a developed recreational area. In these cases, the person in charge of the suppression program can arrange for a ground-based spray of the trees with a local arborist. Regional forest health staff can help choose an appropriate insecticide. Such a treatment, in combination with physical controls, provides good protection where treated trees are isolated. In many cases where the use of an insecticide is warranted, however, the area requiring treatment can be many acres. In these situations, aerial spraying is the appropriate method of application.

Summary

In summary, the gypsy moth is permanently established in eastern Wisconsin, and as a result management of the county forest must incorporate the gypsy moth into short-term and long-term management plans. Aerial insecticide application will be considered to prevent defoliation and tree mortality in those portions of the forest that are most used by the public or if they have other outstanding values. It is important to note that only a small portion of an infestation will be treated using insecticides, and that silvicultural manipulation of the forest is the best long-term management approach.

^{*}Material in this plan is based from: "Developing a Gypsy Moth Management Plan for Public Properties" by Andrea Diss, the Marathon County Gypsy Moth Management Plan by Mike King, and the Northern Highland-American Legion State Forest Gypsy Moth Management Plan.

925 MISCELLANEOUS MAPS AND BROCHURES

DRAINAGE DISTRICT MAPS

925.2 WOOD COUNTY ATV AREA MAP

WOOD COUNTY RIFLE RANGE MAP

DEXTER PARK AND CAMPGROUND MAPS

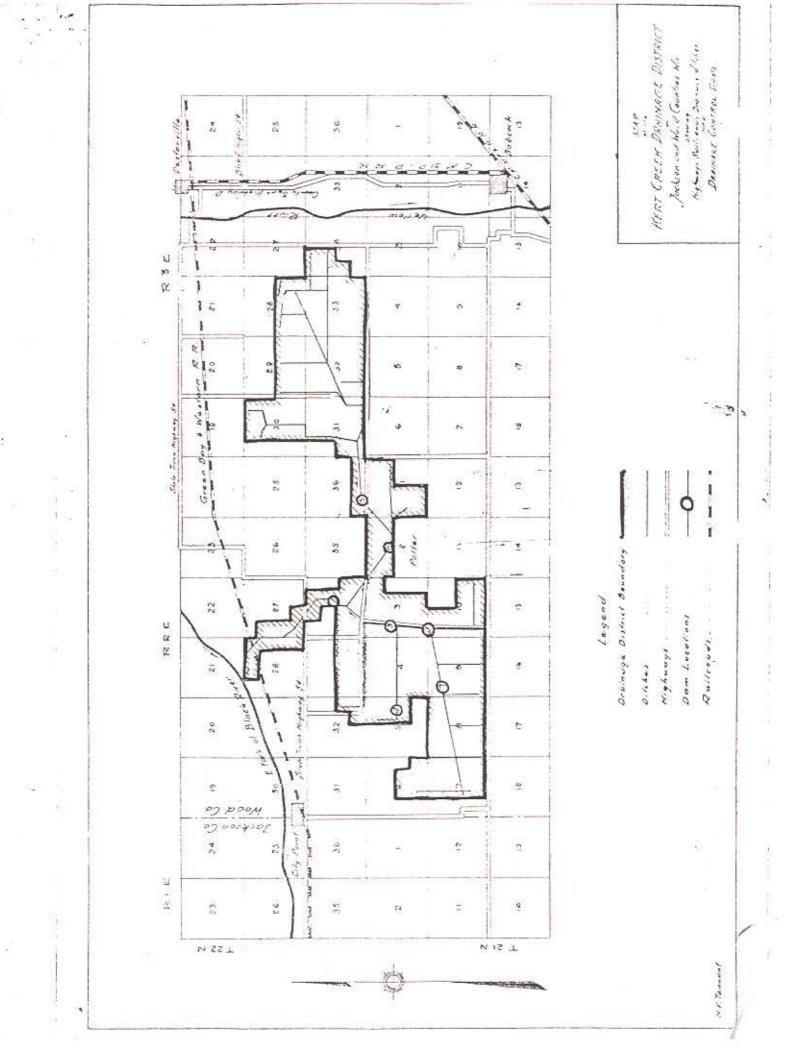
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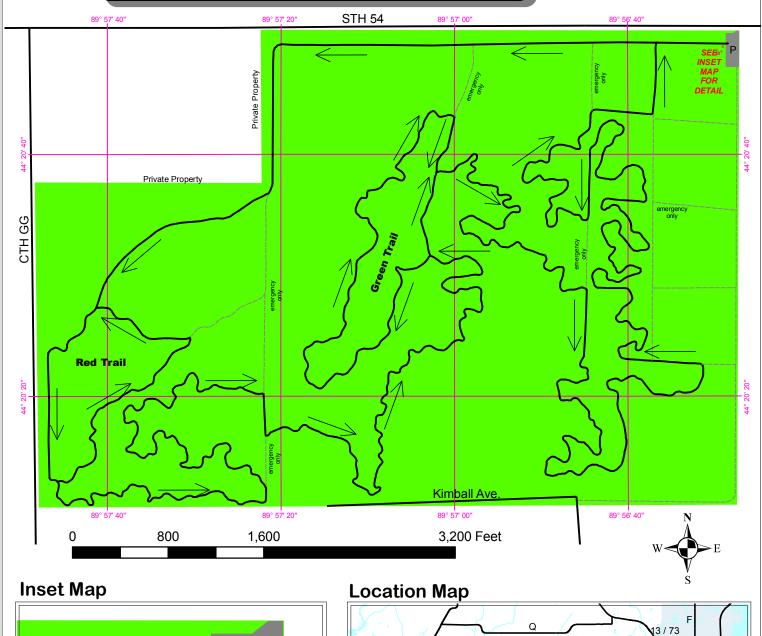
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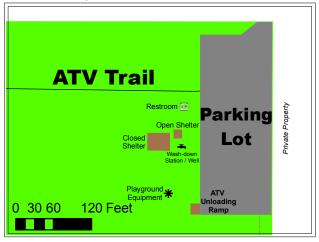




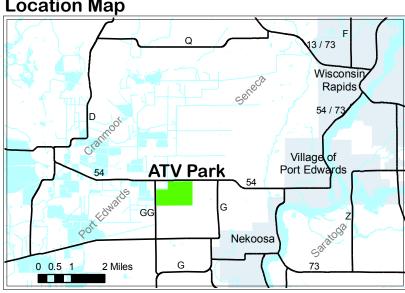
Wood County ATV Area

4415 State Highway 54 Port Edwards, WI 54469 Approximately 10 miles of ATV trails.





Prepared by: Wood County Parks & Forestry 08/07/06



Marsh Road **Wood County** Rifle Range Area 3.5 miles West of Wisconsin Rapids Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54494 **Location Map** Legend Information Sign **Shooting Station** 25 yard target 50 yard target 100 yard target **Shooting Lane Wood County** Path Rifle Range Parking Lot Local Roads Area Boundry Water STH 54/73 Wood Count **ATV Area** 4 Miles The Rifle Range is open year round from sunrise to sunset. There are eight shooting stations available. No fee is required. There is no range master so you must bring your own targets. **Cardboard Targets Only.** Please observe the posted rules. Prepared by: Wood County 90 180 270 360 Feet 45 Parks & Forestry 08/10/06

