

STATE OF MINNESOTA
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
COMMISSIONER'S SCIENTIFIC AND NATURAL AREAS ORDER NO. 8

WHEREAS, THE FOLLOWING LANDS DESCRIBED AS: Government Lots One (1) and Seven (7) in Section Four (4) and Government Lot Five (5) in Section Three (3) all in Township Thirty-two (32) North, Range Twenty-six (26) West; Government Lots Three (3) and Four (4) in Section Two (2), Township Thirty-two (32) North, Range Twenty-seven (27) West; all in Sherburne County; and Government Lot One (1) in Section Seven (7) and Government Lot One (1) in Section Eighteen (18) both in Township One Hundred Twenty-one (121) North, Range Twenty-three (23) West, and Government Lots Three (3) and Four (4) in Section Nine (9), Township One Hundred Twenty-one (121) North, Range Twenty-four (24) West, all in Wright County, contain natural features significantly illustrating geological processes, undisturbed plant communities maintaining themselves under prevailing conditions typical of Minnesota, and the habitat for the rare plant species Bladdernut, *Staphylea trifolia*.

AND, WHEREAS, The most effective means by which such lands can be used and protected for educational and research purposes in such manner and by such means as will leave them conserved for future generations is by designation as a Scientific and Natural Area.

NOW, THEREFORE: I, Joseph N. Alexander, Commissioner of the Department of Natural Resources, pursuant to authority vested in me by law, do hereby designate the above described lands as Mississippi Scenic and Recreational River Islands Scientific and Natural Area. In accordance with the conditions of the Deed conveying the above described premises to the state for a Scientific and Natural Area, the Mississippi Scenic and Recreational River

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Islands Scientific and Natural Area will be managed and the land administered as part of the Minnesota Wild and Scenic River system in accordance with the provisions of "Minnesota Wild and Scenic Rivers Act" of 1973 and any amendments thereto which provide substantially the same protection to the lands as the Minnesota Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1973. Furthermore, a permanent marker shall be erected in a prominent location bearing the following statement: "This area was acquired from Northern States Power Company with the assistance of The Nature Conservancy".

Furthermore, Mississippi Scenic and Recreational River Islands Scientific and Natural Area is designated as a Public Use Unit, limiting use to programs conducted by qualified scientists and graduate and post graduate students, programs for primary and secondary, and college undergraduate students and interpretive programs for the benefit of the general public.

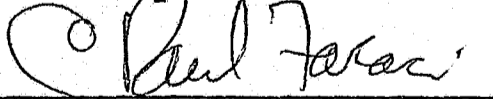
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the provisions of NR 300 through and including NR 303 shall apply to the use of the above designated area.

Dated this 22 day of Mar, 1979.

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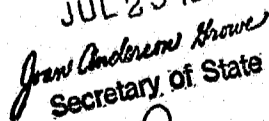

JOSEPH N. ALEXANDER, Commissioner

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND EXECUTION
WARREN SPANNAUS
Attorney General



C. PAUL FARACI
Deputy Attorney General
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