### STATE OF MINNESOTA

### DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

# COMMISSIONER'S SCIENTIFIC AND NATURAL AREA ORDER NO. 51

### UNCAS DUNES SCIENTIFIC AND NATURAL AREA

WHEREAS, certain lands in Sherburne County, Minnesota, described as:

The Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (NW 1/4 NW 1/4) of Section Thirty-five (35), Township Thirty-four North (34N), Range Twenty-seven West (27W); and those lands in the North Half of the Southeast Quarter (N 1/2 SE 1/4) and the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (SW 1/4 SE 1/4) of Section Twenty-one (21), Township Thirty-four North (34N), Range Twenty-seven West (27W) as shown on the attached Exhibit A and as posted.

are under the control and possession of the Department of Natural Resources; and

WHEREAS, such lands contain state threatened sand prairie and dry sand savanna communities, which contain the following rare, threatened or endangered animal and plant species: Uncas Skipper (<u>Hesperia uncas</u>), Blanding's turtle (<u>Emydoidea blandingii</u>), annual skeleton-weed (<u>Lygodesmia</u> <u>rostrata</u>), small-leaved pussytoes (<u>Antennaria aprica</u>), and sea beach needlegrass (<u>Aristida tuberculosa</u>); and

WHEREAS, the most effective means by which such lands can be protected and perpetuated in their natural state and used for educational and research purposes in such a manner 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 Natural Resources, pursuant to authority vested in me by Minn.

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Stat. §§ 84.033, 86A.05, subd. 5, and other applicable law, do hereby designate the above-described lands as Uncas Dunes Scientific and Natural Area. Furthermore, the Uncas Dunes Scientific and Natural Area is designated as a Public Use unit, open to the public for nature observation and general educational and research activities.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the provisions of Minn. Rules pts. 6135.4500 through 6135.5000 shall apply to the abovedesignated area, except that public hunting is permitted during the open seasons established for those lands located in Section 35, Township 34 North, Range 27 West.

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JOSEPH N. ALEXANDER, Commissioner Department of Natural Resources

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND EXECUTION

HUBERT H. HUMPHREY, III Attorney General

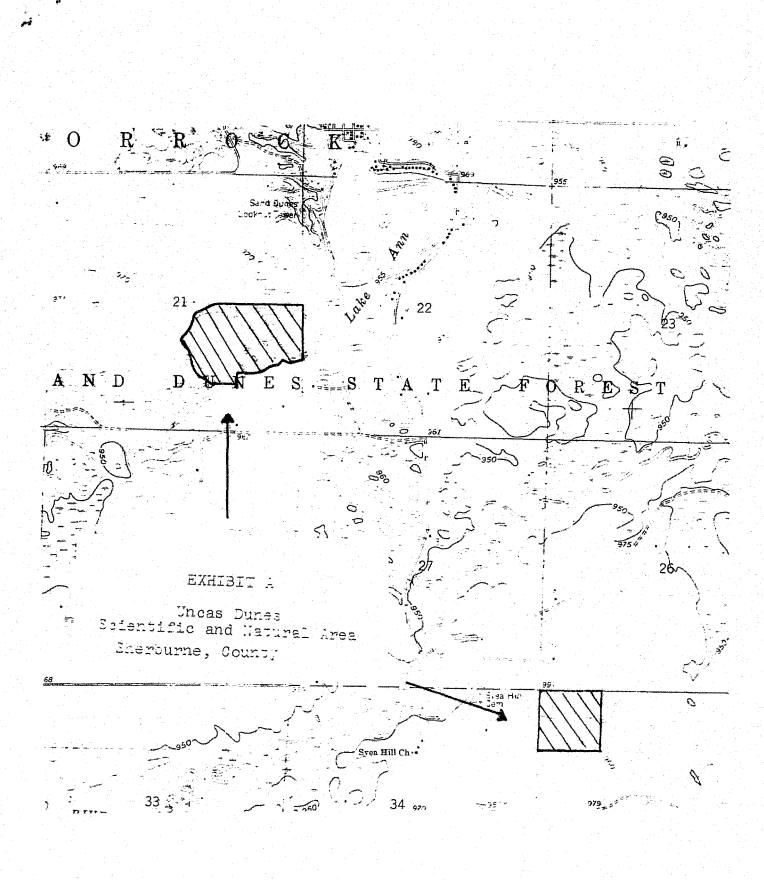
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