STATE OF MINNESOTA

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

COMMISSIONER'S SCIENTIFIC AND NATURAL AREA ORDER NO. 56; AMENDING ORDER NO. 39

TOWNSEND WOODS SCIENTIFIC AND NATURAL AREA

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

The Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (NW 1/4 SE 1/4) of Section Eighteen (18), Township One Hundred Nine North (109N), Range Twenty-two West (22W).

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

whereas, such lands contain an example of the state endangered Big Woods plant community undergoing successional change and that the lands are contiguous with those lands already designated as the Townsend Woods Scientific and Natural Area; 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. Stat. §§ 84.033, 86A.05, subd. 5, and other applicable law, do hereby designate the above-described lands as an addition to the Townsend Woods Scientific and Natural Area. Furthermore, the Townsend Woods Scientific and Natural Area is designated as a

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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 above-designated area.

> JOSEPH N. ALEXANDER, Commissioner Department of Natural Resources

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND EXECUTION

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