

STATE OF MINNESOTA

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

COMMISSIONER'S SCIENTIFIC AND NATURAL AREA ORDER NO. 68

SHOOTING STAR PRAIRIE SCIENTIFIC AND NATURAL AREA

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

All that abandoned railroad right-of-way located in and passing through Section Thirteen (13), Township One Hundred One (101) North, Range Fifteen (15) West, which abandoned right-of-way is a 100 foot strip being 50 feet on each side of a center line, as identified as Parcels Nos. 6 and 7 on Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railroad Company map MINN 9-2 and being a part of that property conveyed to the Grantor by the Trustee of the property of Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul and Pacific Railroad Company by deed recorded in Book 426 at pages 218-220 in the Mower County Recorder's Office.

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

WHEREAS, such lands contain a high quality mesic tall grass prairie community as well as the following rare, threatened or endangered plant species: wild indigo (Baptisia bracteata and B. leucantha), rattlesnake master (Eryngium yuccifolium), tuberous Indian plantain (Cacalia plantaginea), Southern rain orchid (Habenaria flava), Sullivant's milkweed (Asclepias Sullivantii), and wild quinine (Parthenium integrifolium); 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;


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COMMISSIONER'S S.N.A. ORDER NO. 68

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 Shooting Star Prairie Scientific and Natural Area. Furthermore, the Shooting Star Prairie Scientific and Natural Area is designated as a Public Use unit, open to the public for nature observation and general educational and research activities.

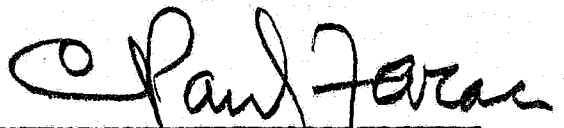
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the provisions of Minn. Rules pts. 6135.4500 through 6135.5000 shall apply to the above-designated area.

Dated at Saint Paul, Minnesota, this 16 day of Nov, 1989.


JOSEPH N. ALEXANDER, Commissioner
Department of Natural Resources

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND EXECUTION

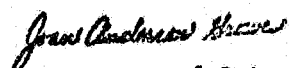
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