

Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council

Laws of Minnesota 2013 Final Report



Date: November 12, 2015

Program or Project Title: Protect (Acquire) Key Forest Habitat Lands Cass County

Funds Recommended: \$500,000

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Legislative Citation: ML 2013, Ch. 137, Art. 1, Sec. 2, Subd. 3(d)

Appropriation Language: \$500,000 in the first year is to the commissioner of natural resources for an agreement with Cass County to acquire land in fee in Cass County for forest wildlife habitat or to prevent forest fragmentation. A list of proposed land acquisitions must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

County Locations: Cass

Regions in which work will take place:

- Northern Forest

Activity types:

- Protect in Fee

Priority resources addressed by activity:

- Forest

Abstract:

Project protects forest wildlife habitat in central Minnesota through fee title acquisition of key forest tracts. Title of lands acquired is held by Cass County in Fee.

Design and scope of work:

Central MN, especially areas in Cass County from Brainerd/Baxter to Walker, has and will continue to see some of the fastest human population growth in MN. This growth has led to increased demands from use of this area, its natural resources and related public land base that need to support this growth. Development of these private industrial parcels has resulted in the loss of Jack Pine barrens in the landscape of southern Cass County. Industrial forest tracts held by Potlatch are currently being sold to private developers. These lands often provide access to existing public lands for resource management, are inholdings in otherwise unfragmented landscapes, create contiguous wildlife corridors, and protect larger blocks of land especially useful for stand level management of habitat.

Key industrial forest tracts (ie inholdings in large public land tracts, management access issues) are being considered or currently being offered for sale by a large industrial forest owner (Potlatch Corp) in this area. Depressed market conditions and a willingness by this industrial forest owner to sell at this time is an opportunity that should be addressed now since it is narrow and may close at any time. The strategy was to acquire land that completes existing habitat corridors. The land acquired has existing forest access roads that have

been used for management access for years. The sale of these lands to private individuals has already resulted in the loss of access for resource management on public lands and conversion from forest to agricultural use. The acquired lands were not being pursued for convenience of management.

The acquired parcels play a key role in future management plans of the Jack Pine Barrens including the role of fire as a management tool. The loss of these parcels to private ownership would have resulted in lost access and possibly loss of forest land. Management of adjacent public lands would have been limited to frozen ground conditions. This would have eliminated management tools such as site preparation of Jack Pine plantings and aerial seeding as well as prescribed burns for Jack Pine regeneration. This type of management requires year round access. The acquired lands provide year round management access to existing public lands in the Jack Pine barrens landscape. The acquisition of these lands provided permanent year round access for forest management as well as protecting habitat in and around the surrounding areas.

The Cass County Forest Resource Management Plan directs the County to acquire land of this nature whenever possible to protect our management access. The Cass County Comprehensive plan requires no new loss of acres of public land and local unit of government input on all purchases and land sales. This project met the requirements of both plans and required stakeholders input as part of the project. The local units of government with private industrial lands to be purchased have provided written consent for the purchase of each parcel. All purchases in this project are supported by both the County and local units of government.

Which LSOHC state-wide priorities are addressed in this proposal:

- Address conservation opportunities that will be lost if not immediately acted on
- Address wildlife species of greatest conservation need, Minnesota County Biological Survey data, and rare, threatened and endangered species inventories in land and water decisions, as well as permanent solutions to aquatic invasive species
- Allow public access. This comes into play when all other things about the request are approximately equal
- Are able to leverage effort and/or other funds to supplement any OHF appropriation
- Are ongoing, successful, transparent and accountable programs addressing actions and targets of one or more of the ecological sections
- Ensures activities for "protecting, restoring and enhancing" are coordinated among agencies, non profits and others while doing this important work
- Produce multiple enduring conservation benefits
- Provide Minnesotans with greater public access to outdoor environments with hunting, fishing and other outdoor recreation opportunities
- Target unique Minnesota landscapes that have historical value to fish and wildlife
- Use a science-based strategic planning and evaluation model to guide protection, restoration and enhancement, similar to the United States Fish and Wildlife Service's Strategic Habitat Conservation model

Which LSOHC section priorities are addressed in this proposal:

Northern Forest:

- Protect shoreland and restore or enhance critical habitat on wild rice lakes, shallow lakes, cold water lakes, streams and rivers, and spawning areas
- Protect forestland through acquisition or easement to prevent parcelization and fragmentation and to provide the ability to access and manage landlocked public properties

Relationship to other funds:

- Not Listed

The Cass County Land Department has used funds from the LCCMR for this type of activity in the past. Property acquisitions using LCCMR were very successful. With new changes to the use of that fund, it seems that our proposal is most likely to be funded from the LSOHC.

How will you sustain and/or maintain this work after the Outdoor Heritage Funds are expended:

The Cass County Land Department manages all County Administered lands under our Forest Resource Management Plan. These lands are not eligible for PILT payments. MN Statute 477A.11 defines lands that are eligible as being held by the state in fee or tax forfeited. The acquired lands for this project will be held in fee by Cass County and therefore are not eligible for PILT Payments. There will be no ongoing cost to the State of MN for the acquisition of these lands.

This management plan requires that operations are maintained from revenue generated from timber sales. Cass County has a long history of covering our operation costs with timber revenue. The lands acquired will be managed under this same plan.

Outcomes:

Programs in the northern forest region:

- Forestlands are protected from development and fragmentation
- Healthy populations of endangered, threatened, and special concern species as well as more common species
- Increased availability and improved condition of riparian forests and other habitat corridors
- Landlocked public properties have increased access for land managers

How will they be measured and evaluated?

We measure forest habitat protection by acres of land purchased, acres of existing public land made accessible, miles of waterfront habitat protected, and miles of property line eliminated. This project has provided permanent protection to over 221 acres of forest habitat land, year round forest management access to an existing 240 acres, protected .6115 miles of lakeshore habitat, and eliminated 2.25 miles of public property line. The project also provided habitat corridors for numerous endangered and threatened species including Northern Long Eared Bat, Blanding's Turtle, and the Gold Winged Warbler.

Budget Spreadsheet

Final Budget line item reallocations are allowed up to 10% and do not need require an amendment to the Accomplishment Plan

Total Amount: \$500,000

Budget and Cash Leverage

BudgetName	Request	Spent	Cash Leverage (anticipated)	Cash Leverage (received)	Leverage Source	Total (original)	Total (final)
Personnel	\$0	\$0	\$37,000	\$37,000	Cass County, Cass County	\$37,000	\$37,000
Contracts	\$0	\$0	\$8,000	\$0	Cass County	\$8,000	\$0
Fee Acquisition w/ PILT	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
Fee Acquisition w/o PILT	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$0	\$0		\$500,000	\$500,000
Easement Acquisition	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
Easement Stewardship	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
Travel	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
Professional Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
Direct Support Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
DNR Land Acquisition Costs	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
Capital Equipment	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
Other Equipment/Tools	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
Supplies/Materials	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
DNR IDP	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
Total	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$45,000	\$37,000		\$545,000	\$537,000

Personnel

Position	FTE	Over # of years	Spent	Cash Leverage	Leverage Source	Total
Resource Manager	0.25	0.00	\$0	\$18,500	Cass County	\$18,500
Land	0.25	0.00	\$0	\$18,500	Cass County	\$18,500
Total	0.50	0.00	\$0	\$37,000		\$37,000

Output Tables

Table 1a. Acres by Resource Type

Type	Wetlands (original)	Wetlands (final)	Prairies (original)	Prairies (final)	Forest (original)	Forest (final)	Habitats (original)	Habitats (final)	Total (original)	Total (final)
Restore	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Protect in Fee with State PILT Liability	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Protect in Fee W/O State PILT Liability	0	0	0	0	427	329	0	0	427	329
Protect in Easement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Enhance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	427	329	0	0	427	329

Table 2. Total Requested Funding by Resource Type

Type	Wetlands (original)	Wetlands (final)	Prairies (original)	Prairies (final)	Forest (original)	Forest (final)	Habitats (original)	Habitats (final)	Total (original)	Total (final)
Restore	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Protect in Fee with State PILT Liability	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Protect in Fee W/O State PILT Liability	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$0	\$0	\$500,000	\$500,000
Protect in Easement	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Enhance	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$0	\$0	\$500,000	\$500,000

Table 3. Acres within each Ecological Section

Type	Metro Urban (original)	Metro Urban (final)	ForestPrairie (original)	Forest Prairie (final)	SE Forest (original)	SE Forest (final)	Prairie (original)	Prairie (final)	N Forest (original)	N Forest (final)	Total (original)	Total (final)
Restore	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Protect in Fee with State PILT Liability	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Protect in Fee W/O State PILT Liability	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	427	329	427	329
Protect in Easement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Enhance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	427	329	427	329

Table 4. Total Requested Funding within each Ecological Section

Type	Metro Urban (original)	Metro Urban (final)	ForestPrairie (original)	Forest Prairie (final)	SE Forest (original)	SE Forest (final)	Prairie (original)	Prairie (final)	N Forest (original)	N Forest (final)	Total (original)	Total (final)
Restore	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Protect in Fee with State PILT Liability	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Protect in Fee W/O State PILT Liability	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000
Protect in Easement	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Enhance	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000

Target Lake/Stream/River Feet or Miles (original)

Target Lake/Stream/River Feet or Miles (final)

1505 feet

Parcel List

Section 1 - Restore / Enhance Parcel List

No parcels with an activity type restore or enhance.

Section 2 - Protect Parcel List

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Name	TRDS	Acres	OHF Cost	Existing Protection?	Hunting?	Fishing?	Description
Bull Moose 112	13831229	112	\$182,000	No	Full	Full	NE of NW and NW of NE 29 SE of SW 20
Byron Potlatch Parcels	13532206	65	\$67,000	No	Full	Full	Part of NE
Deerfield Parcel	13931208	152	\$251,000	No	Full	Full	SE NE and SE

Section 2a - Protect Parcel with Bldgs

No parcels with an activity type protect and has buildings.

Section 3 - Other Parcel Activity

No parcels with an other activity type.

Completed Parcel: Bull Moose 112

# of Total Acres:	112
County:	Cass
Township:	138
Range:	31
Direction:	2
Section:	29
# of Acres: Wetlands/Upland:	
# of Acres: Forest:	112
# of Acres: Prairie/Grassland:	
Amount of Shoreline:	
Name of Adjacent Body of Water (if applicable):	
Has there been signage erected at the site:	No - Signs will be erected pending a certificate of survey.
Annual Reporting Organization Name:	Cass County
Annual Reporting Manager Name:	Joshua Stevenson
Annual Reporting Address:	PO Box 25
Annual Reporting City:	Backus
Annual Reporting State:	MN
Annual Reporting Zip:	56435
Annual Reporting Email:	josh.stevenson@co.cass.mn.us
Annual Reporting Phone:	218-947-7501
Purchase Date:	July 18, 2014
Acquisition Title:	
Purchase Price:	\$182,000
Appraised Value:	\$182,000
Professional Service Costs:	\$2,400
Assessed Value:	\$123,600
Total Project Cost:	\$182,000
Fees Received:	\$0
Donations:	\$0
Related Parties:	
Property Managed By:	Other (Explain) -
Name of the unit area or location government unit or land manager:	Cass County

Completed Parcel: Byron Potlatch Parcels

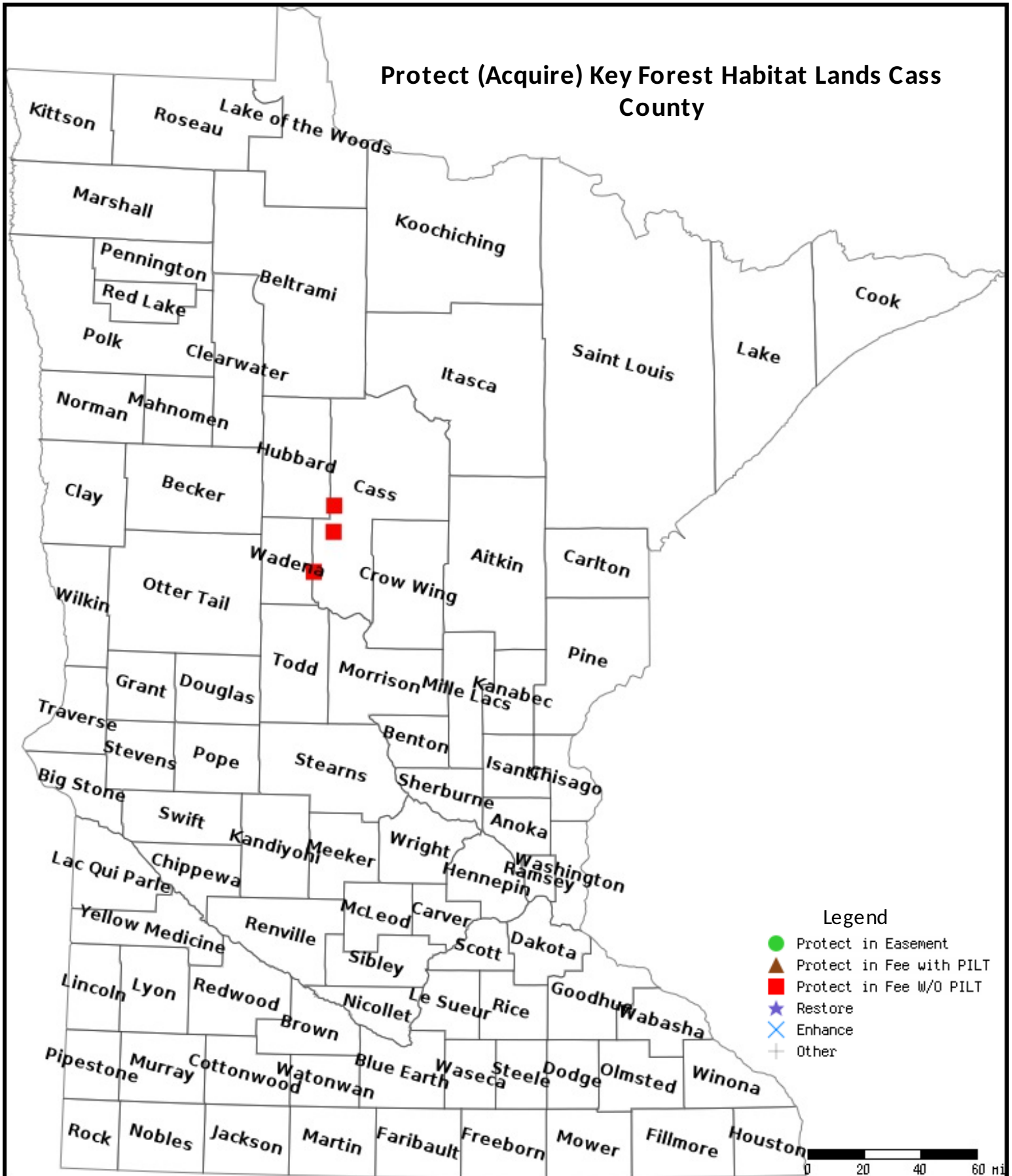
# of Total Acres:	65
County:	Cass
Township:	135
Range:	32
Direction:	2
Section:	06
# of Acres: Wetlands/Upland:	
# of Acres: Forest:	64.68
# of Acres: Prairie/Grassland:	
Amount of Shoreline:	
Name of Adjacent Body of Water (if applicable):	
Has there been signage erected at the site:	No - Signs will be erected pending a certificate of survey.
Annual Reporting Organization Name:	Cass County
Annual Reporting Manager Name:	Joshua Stevenson
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Annual Reporting City:	Backus
Annual Reporting State:	MN
Annual Reporting Zip:	56435
Annual Reporting Email:	josh.stevenson@co.cass.mn.us
Annual Reporting Phone:	218-947-7501
Purchase Date:	June 23, 2015
Acquisition Title:	
Purchase Price:	\$67,000
Appraised Value:	\$87,400
Professional Service Costs:	\$2,600
Assessed Value:	\$76,600
Total Project Cost:	\$67,000
Fees Received:	\$0
Donations:	\$0
Related Parties:	
Property Managed By:	Other (Explain) -
Name of the unit area or location government unit or land manager:	Cass County

Completed Parcel: Deerfield Parcel

# of Total Acres:	152
County:	Cass
Township:	139
Range:	31
Direction:	2
Section:	08
# of Acres: Wetlands/Upland:	
# of Acres: Forest:	152
# of Acres: Prairie/Grassland:	
Amount of Shoreline:	1505 (Linear Feet)
Name of Adjacent Body of Water (if applicable):	
Has there been signage erected at the site:	No - Signs will be erected pending a certificate of survey.
Annual Reporting Organization Name:	Cass County
Annual Reporting Manager Name:	Joshua Stevenson
Annual Reporting Address:	PO Box 25
Annual Reporting City:	Backus
Annual Reporting State:	MN
Annual Reporting Zip:	56435
Annual Reporting Email:	josh.stevenson@co.cass.mn.us
Annual Reporting Phone:	218-947-7501
Purchase Date:	July 10, 2014
Acquisition Title:	
Purchase Price:	\$251,000
Appraised Value:	\$338,000
Professional Service Costs:	\$2,000
Assessed Value:	\$235,000
Total Project Cost:	\$251,000
Fees Received:	\$0
Donations:	\$0
Related Parties:	
Property Managed By:	Other (Explain) -
Name of the unit area or location government unit or land manager:	Cass County

Parcel Map

Protect (Acquire) Key Forest Habitat Lands Cass County



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Date: October 20, 2016

Program or Project Title: Critical Shoreland Habitat Protection Program: Phase 2

Funds Recommended: \$820,000

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Legislative Citation: ML 2013, Ch. 137, Art. 1, Sec. 2, Subd. 3(e)

Appropriation Language: \$820,000 in the first year is to the commissioner of natural resources for an agreement with the Minnesota Land Trust to acquire permanent conservation easements along rivers and lakes in the northern forest region. Up to \$160,000 is for establishing a monitoring and enforcement fund, as approved in the accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

County Locations: Carlton, Lake, and St. Louis.

Regions in which work was completed:

- Northern Forest

Activity types:

- Protect in Easement

Priority resources addressed by activity:

- Habitat

Summary of Accomplishments:

Seven conservation easements were completed by this program resulting in the protection of 911 acres of high quality wildlife habitat and 28,181 feet (approximately 5.38 miles) of critical shoreline along priority lakes and rivers of northeast Minnesota. This project outcome exceeded by 211 acres that proposed for the grant. Total leverage through donated easements by landowners is estimated at \$948,500, all in excess of proposed.

Process & Methods:

The natural shoreline around Minnesota's celebrated lakes and rivers comprises one of the most biologically important systems in the state for fish, game and wildlife. It is also one of its most threatened. In order to preserve this important component of Minnesota's natural heritage, the Minnesota Land Trust implemented Phase 2 of its Critical Shoreland Habitat Protection Program to protect important lakeshore and stream-side habitat. This project built on the success of Phase 1 of this program and helped fulfill the goals of the DNR's Aquatic Management Area program, the State Conservation and Preservation Plan, and many other state priorities.

In this second phase of the program, the Minnesota Land Trust concentrated its activity on important aquatic resources and associated forest habitat within northeast Minnesota, including DNR-designated high priority trout streams along the North Shore, sensitive shoreline along the deep-water border lakes and other high-quality aquatic habitats in the region. The Land Trust protected more than

five miles of threatened shoreline habitat by acquiring conservation easements from willing landowners that permanently protected a rich mosaic of naturally vegetated shoreline, forest habitat and wetlands on approximately 911 acres. The program targeted projects that help fill gaps in existing public ownership, contain the highest-quality habitat, and provide the greatest leverage to the state. The Land Trust accepted three fully donated easements, negotiated bargain sale purchases for three easements and purchased one easement at the full appraised value. Total leverage from donated value of the easements is placed at \$948,500, all in excess of what was proposed. This value was substantiated in 5 easements through appraisal; in the remaining two (full value donations) where we do not have appraisals, an estimate of value (62% of assessed land value) was attained through a comparison of appraised fee value to easement value, and adjusted to account for deviation between appraised and assessed land value across two years of Land Trust activity.

The development and disturbance of the state's remaining sensitive shoreland habitat continues to be a threat identified in many of the State's resource protection plans. Investigations conducted by the DNR and others indicate that the shoreland zone—from high ground through the water's edge and into the shallow submerged areas—is one of the most biologically diverse and important habitat types for a variety of wildlife species, including fish and waterfowl. Because so much shoreline habitat is on private land, it is also one of Minnesota's most threatened resources due to the intensity of shoreline development and non-compatible management.

Fortunately, private landowners in northeast Minnesota have proven to be ready and willing to grant conservation easements on exceptional shoreline habitat, thus providing high-leverage, immediately-tangible protection for these diminishing habitat types. Outreach efforts from this and the previous phase of this program have generated a robust and growing pool of interested landowners seeking assistance in voluntary private land conservation through permanent easements. It is important to note that the Phase 3 of this program received funding from the Outdoor Heritage Fund to continue to build on the successes of earlier phases and to secure and additional 1,000 acres of natural shoreline, forest habitat and wetlands in northeastern Minnesota.

Explain Partners, Supporters, & Opposition:

The Land Trust worked closely with project partners on the implementation of respective projects. At Bear Lake (Finifrock), the Land Trust coordinated with the MN DNR area fisheries manager due to the nearby Aquatic Management Area. The DNR was supportive of the easement and suggested prohibiting docks, stairs and other structures on the shore and riparian hillside. These terms were incorporated in the easement. At Burntside Lake (Snyder) the Land Trust coordinated with the DNR Scientific and Natural Area program, Listening Point Foundation, and Trust for Public Land as part of a larger complex of conservation efforts in that part of the lake. At Sucker River (Haensel) the Land Trust coordinated with a coalition of trout groups (Trout Unlimited and others) which offered support for the project.

Additional Comments:

Exceptional challenges, expectations, failures, opportunities, or unique aspects of program

Outreach to landowners with critical shoreline habitat in the program area continued during the entire grant period. Parcels with high conservation value but lower readiness were tracked and records retained for development under subsequent phases. Two parcels identified in this grant period have already been protected in easement under Phase 3 of the program. Six parcels on the original parcel list were donated in fee by the owner to the Minnesota Land Trust with conservation restrictions. These properties will be protected with easements using other, non-state funding. In total, they represent an additional ~466 acres and 3.75 miles of critical shoreline protected.

Other Funds Received:

- Landowner donation of easement value (full and in part)

How were the funds used to advanced the program:

Although not "constitutional" funds per se, program outcomes were significantly buoyed by donated easement value from landowners. Six of seven easements completed through this grant were either full or partial donations, with a total value estimated at \$948,500. Appraisals were used to quantify donated value for 4 of 6 parcels; an estimate of value (based on 62% assessed value of the land) was used for easements donated without an appraisal.

What is the plan to sustain and/or maintain this work after the Outdoor Heritage Funds are expended:

The land protected through conservation easements will be sustained through the best standards and practices for conservation easement stewardship. The Minnesota Land Trust is a nationally-accredited land trust with a very successful stewardship program that includes annual property monitoring, effective records management, addressing inquiries and interpretations, tracking changes in ownership, investigating potential violations and defending the easement in case of a true violation. Funding for these easement stewardship activities was provided through the grant and was incorporated into the Land Trust's long-term stewardship and

enforcement fund.

Outcomes:

The original accomplishment plan stated the program would

Programs in the northern forest region:

- Forestlands are protected from development and fragmentation
- Healthy populations of endangered, threatened, and special concern species as well as more common species

How will the outcomes be measured and evaluated?

Protection of forest land from development and fragmentation is measured by acres protected through conservation easement. Since forest parcels were identified in tandem with critical shoreland habitat, we also measure and report on the extent of shoreland protected through these easements. These perpetually protected lands provide a guarantee of long-term habitat for species populations; the MN DNR is tasked with tracking the status of Minnesota's biota at the statewide scale.

In addition to the acres protected in easement with this grant, it should be noted that key in-water habitat in public water lakes and streams receives significant protection due to limiting or prohibiting subdivision and development in the adjacent riparian land. Important spawning and nursery habitat for gamefish and forage fish species have benefited from these projects. Some of the fish species benefiting from this riparian habitat protection include walleye, northern pike, black crappie, and bluegill. Other species utilizing critical lake and stream habitat that have benefited from this protection include common loon, great blue heron, mallard, ring-necked duck, scaup, river otter, mink, green frog, mink frog, snapping turtle, and painted turtle.

Budget Spreadsheet

Final Budget line item reallocations are allowed up to 10% and do not need require an amendment to the Accomplishment Plan

Total Amount: \$820,000

Budget and Cash Leverage

BudgetName	Request	Spent	Cash Leverage (anticipated)	Cash Leverage (received)	Leverage Source	Total (original)	Total (final)
Personnel	\$145,000	\$168,800	\$0	\$0		\$145,000	\$168,800
Contracts	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
Fee Acquisition w/ PILT	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
Fee Acquisition w/o PILT	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
Easement Acquisition	\$435,000	\$391,200	\$0	\$948,500	Private Landowners	\$435,000	\$1,339,700
Easement Stewardship	\$160,000	\$127,000	\$0	\$0		\$160,000	\$127,000
Travel	\$5,000	\$5,900	\$0	\$0		\$5,000	\$5,900
Professional Services	\$75,000	\$49,300	\$0	\$0		\$75,000	\$49,300
Direct Support Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
DNR Land Acquisition Costs	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
Capital Equipment	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
Other Equipment/Tools	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
Supplies/Materials	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
DNR IDP	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
To tal	\$820,000	\$742,200	\$0	\$948,500		\$820,000	\$1,690,700

Personnel

Position	FTE	Over # of years	Spent	Cash Leverage	Leverage Source	Total
Conservation and Legal Staff	0.63	3.00	\$168,800	\$0		\$168,800
Total	0.63	3.00	\$168,800	\$0		\$168,800

Explain any budget challenges or successes:

Leverage received from private landowners as identified in the table above is substantiated in all but two easements through appraisal. When easement value was donated and no appraisal was conducted, estimate of value was based on 62% of assessed value; this value was derived through a running adjusted average across two years comparing assessed fee values to appraised fee values across all Land Trust easements.

Output Tables

Table 1a. Acres by Resource Type

Type	Wetlands (original)	Wetlands (final)	Prairies (original)	Prairies (final)	Forest (original)	Forest (final)	Habitats (original)	Habitats (final)	Total (original)	Total (final)
Restore	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Protect in Fee with State PILT Liability	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Protect in Fee W/O State PILT Liability	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Protect in Easement	0	0	0	0	0	0	700	911	700	911
Enhance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	700	911	700	911

Table 2. Total Funding by Resource Type

Type	Wetlands (original)	Wetlands (final)	Prairies (original)	Prairies (final)	Forest (original)	Forest (final)	Habitats (original)	Habitats (final)	Total (original)	Total (final)
Restore	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Protect in Fee with State PILT Liability	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Protect in Fee W/O State PILT Liability	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Protect in Easement	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$820,000	\$742,200	\$820,000	\$742,200
Enhance	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$820,000	\$742,200	\$820,000	\$742,200

Table 3. Acres within each Ecological Section

Type	Metro Urban (original)	Metro Urban (final)	ForestPrairie (original)	Forest Prairie (final)	SE Forest (original)	SE Forest (final)	Prairie (original)	Prairie (final)	N Forest (original)	N Forest (final)	Total (original)	Total (final)
Restore	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Protect in Fee with State PILT Liability	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Protect in Fee W/O State PILT Liability	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Protect in Easement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	700	911	700	911
Enhance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	700	911	700	911

Table 4. Total Funding within each Ecological Section

Type	Metro Urban (original)	Metro Urban (final)	ForestPrairie (original)	Forest Prairie (final)	SE Forest (original)	SE Forest (final)	Prairie (original)	Prairie (final)	N Forest (original)	N Forest (final)	Total (original)	Total (final)
Restore	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Protect in Fee with State PILT Liability	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Protect in Fee W/O State PILT Liability	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Protect in Easement	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$820,000	\$742,200	\$820,000	\$742,200
Enhance	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$820,000	\$742,200	\$820,000	\$742,200

Target Lake/Stream/River Feet or Miles (original)

0

Target Lake/Stream/River Feet or Miles (final)

5.38 miles

Explain the success/shortage of acre goals:

The Minnesota Land Trust was able to secure a significant donative value from landowners exceeding \$500,000 that enabled our grant funding to protect more property and shoreline than initially proposed.

Parcel List

Section 1 - Restore / Enhance Parcel List

No parcels with an activity type restore or enhance.

Section 2 - Protect Parcel List

Carlton

Name	TRDS	Acres	OHF Cost	Existing Protection?	Hunting?	Fishing?	Description
Bear Lake (Finifrock)	04618206	116	\$107,000	No	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	The property consists of 116 acres of land with 4910 feet of shoreline on Bear Lake and an unnamed stream. The diverse forests, wetlands and undeveloped shoreline provide excellent habitat for a variety of wildlife and protect the water quality in the Kettle River watershed.
Bear Lake (Weber)	04717203	97	\$0	No	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	The property consists of 97 acres of land with 2,390 feet of shoreline along Bear Lake. The diverse hardwood forest, wetlands and shoreline provide excellent wildlife habitat for a variety of species, including several species in greatest conservation need (SGCN).

Lake

Name	TRDS	Acres	OHF Cost	Existing Protection?	Hunting?	Fishing?	Description
Knife River (Cook)	05411229	140	\$50,000	No	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	The property includes a mix of forest and wetland along a designated trout stream and a tributary stream to the Knife River, and protects >2400 feet of shoreline. The northern mixed hardwood-pine forest provides habitat for a variety of wildlife species including several SGCN. The property lies within an important migration corridor for birds and bats.

St. Louis

Name	TRDS	Acres	OHF Cost	Existing Protection?	Hunting?	Fishing?	Description
Burntside Lake (Snyder)	06313229	12	\$0	No	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	The property consists of 12 acres of conifer forest and nearly 3000 feet of undeveloped shoreline on a 16-acre island in Burntside Lake. The property provides habitat for a variety of boreal wildlife species.
Chalberg Creek (Hendrickson)	05117202	159	\$0	No	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	The property is a mix of upland hardwood forest, lowland coniferous forest, wetlands and grassland. The property also contains shoreline along Chalberg Creek, a perennial stream and DNR-designated trout stream flowing into the Cloquet River, which is located a little over a mile west of the property.
Elbow Lake (Bardon)	06418230	48	\$50,000	No	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Sitting on the Canadian shield with granite outcroppings, the property comprises upland and lowland forest (dominated by white pine, black & white spruce, and birch) and >3,000 feet of shoreline on Elbow Lake.
Sucker River (Haensel)	05212218	339	\$170,000	No	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	The property consists of two large tracts. It is heavily forested with a mix of aspen, spruce/fir, black ash, maple, birch and occasional white and red pines. Both tracts are bisected by the Sucker River. The Sucker River is a State designated Trout Stream.

Section 2a - Protect Parcel with Bldgs

No parcels with an activity type protect and has buildings.

Section 3 - Other Parcel Activity

No parcels with an other activity type.

Completed Parcel: Bear Lake (Finifrock)

# of Total Acres:	116
County:	Carlton
Township:	046
Range:	18
Direction:	2
Section:	06
# of Acres: Wetlands/Upland:	14
# of Acres: Forest:	82
# of Acres: Prairie/Grassland:	0
Amount of Shoreline:	4265 (Linear Feet)
Name of Adjacent Body of Water (if applicable):	Bear Lake
Has there been signage erected at the site:	Yes
Annual Reporting Organization Name:	Minnesota Land Trust
Annual Reporting Manager Name:	Kris Larson
Annual Reporting Address:	2356 University Ave. W.
Annual Reporting City:	St. Paul
Annual Reporting State:	MN
Annual Reporting Zip:	55114
Annual Reporting Email:	klarson@mnland.org
Annual Reporting Phone:	651-647-9590
Purchase Date:	December 22, 2015
Purchase Price:	\$107,000
Appraised Value:	\$107,000
Professional Service Costs:	\$7,300
Assessed Value:	\$165,500
Total Project Cost:	\$107,000
Donations:	\$0
Easement Holder Organization Name:	Minnesota Land Trust
Easement Holder Manager Name:	Kris Larson
Easement Holder Address:	2356 University Ave W, Suite 240
Easement Holder City:	St. Paul
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Responsible Email:	klarson@mnland.org
Responsible Phone:	(651) 647-9590
Underlying Fee Owner:	Alan R. & Sharon K. Finifrock

Completed Parcel: Bear Lake (Weber)

# of Total Acres:	97
County:	Carlton
Township:	047
Range:	17
Direction:	2
Section:	03
# of Acres: Wetlands/Upland:	21
# of Acres: Forest:	74
# of Acres: Prairie/Grassland:	0
Amount of Shoreline:	2352 (Linear Feet)
Name of Adjacent Body of Water (if applicable):	Bear Lake
Has there been signage erected at the site:	No - It is our practice to give landowners signage upon closing. We will confirm placement at our annual monitoring visits.
Annual Reporting Organization Name:	Minnesota Land Trust
Annual Reporting Manager Name:	Kris Larson
Annual Reporting Address:	2356 University Ave. W.
Annual Reporting City:	St. Paul
Annual Reporting State:	MN
Annual Reporting Zip:	55114
Annual Reporting Email:	klarson@mnland.org
Annual Reporting Phone:	651-647-9590
Purchase Date:	April 15, 2014
Purchase Price:	\$0
Appraised Value:	\$0
Professional Service Costs:	\$2,033
Assessed Value:	\$227,300
Total Project Cost:	\$128,400
Donations:	\$128,400
Easement Holder Organization Name:	Minnesota Land Trust
Easement Holder Manager Name:	Kris Larson
Easement Holder Address:	2356 University Ave. W, Suite 240
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Responsible City:	St. Paul
Responsible State:	MN
Responsible Zip:	55114
Responsible Email:	klarson@mnland.org
Responsible Phone:	651-647-9590
Underlying Fee Owner:	Lawrence and Frances Weber

Completed Parcel: Burntside Lake (Snyder)

# of Total Acres:	12
County:	St. Louis
Township:	063
Range:	13
Direction:	2
Section:	29
# of Acres: Wetlands/Upland:	0
# of Acres: Forest:	12
# of Acres: Prairie/Grassland:	0
Amount of Shoreline:	2785 (Linear Feet)
Name of Adjacent Body of Water (if applicable):	Burntside Lake
Has there been signage erected at the site:	No - It is our practice to give landowners signage upon closing. We will confirm placement at our annual monitoring visits.
Annual Reporting Organization Name:	Minnesota Land Trust
Annual Reporting Manager Name:	Wayne Ostlie
Annual Reporting Address:	2356 University Ave. W, Suite 240
Annual Reporting City:	St. Paul
Annual Reporting State:	MN
Annual Reporting Zip:	55114
Annual Reporting Email:	wostlie@mnland.org
Annual Reporting Phone:	651-917-6292
Purchase Date:	June 27, 2016
Purchase Price:	\$0
Appraised Value:	\$0
Professional Service Costs:	\$9,100
Assessed Value:	\$579,200
Total Project Cost:	\$327,100
Donations:	\$327,100
Easement Holder Organization Name:	Minnesota Land Trust
Easement Holder Manager Name:	Wayne Ostlie
Easement Holder Address:	2356 University Ave W, Suite 240
Easement Holder City:	St. Paul
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Responsible Zip:	55114
Responsible Email:	wostlie@mnland.org
Responsible Phone:	651-917-6292
Underlying Fee Owner:	J. Whitney & S. Reed Snyder

Completed Parcel: Chalberg Creek (Hendrickson)

# of Total Acres:	159
County:	St. Louis
Township:	051
Range:	17
Direction:	2
Section:	02
# of Acres: Wetlands/Upland:	57
# of Acres: Forest:	97
# of Acres: Prairie/Grassland:	0
Amount of Shoreline:	3917 (Linear Feet)
Name of Adjacent Body of Water (if applicable):	Chalberg Creek
Has there been signage erected at the site:	No - It is our practice to give landowners signage upon closing. We will confirm placement at our annual monitoring visits.
Annual Reporting Organization Name:	Minnesota Land Trust
Annual Reporting Manager Name:	Kris Larson
Annual Reporting Address:	2356 University Ave. W.
Annual Reporting City:	St. Paul
Annual Reporting State:	MN
Annual Reporting Zip:	55114
Annual Reporting Email:	klarson@mnland.org
Annual Reporting Phone:	651-647-9590
Purchase Date:	December 02, 2013
Purchase Price:	\$0
Appraised Value:	\$101,000
Professional Service Costs:	\$2,014
Assessed Value:	\$130,600
Total Project Cost:	\$101,000
Donations:	\$101,000
Easement Holder Organization Name:	Minnesota Land Trust
Easement Holder Manager Name:	Wayne Ostlie
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Responsible State:	MN
Responsible Zip:	55114
Responsible Email:	wostlie@mnland.org
Responsible Phone:	651-917-6292
Underlying Fee Owner:	Ed and Linda Hendrickson

Completed Parcel: Elbow Lake (Bardon)

# of Total Acres:	48
County:	St. Louis
Township:	064
Range:	18
Direction:	2
Section:	30
# of Acres: Wetlands/Upland:	1
# of Acres: Forest:	47
# of Acres: Prairie/Grassland:	0
Amount of Shoreline:	4320 (Linear Feet)
Name of Adjacent Body of Water (if applicable):	Elbow Lake
Has there been signage erected at the site:	No - It is our practice to give landowners signage upon closing. We will confirm placement at our annual monitoring visits.
Annual Reporting Organization Name:	Minnesota Land Trust
Annual Reporting Manager Name:	Kris Larson
Annual Reporting Address:	2356 University Ave. W.
Annual Reporting City:	St. Paul
Annual Reporting State:	MN
Annual Reporting Zip:	55114
Annual Reporting Email:	klarson@mnland.org
Annual Reporting Phone:	651-647-9590
Purchase Date:	October 30, 2014
Purchase Price:	\$50,000
Appraised Value:	\$145,000
Professional Service Costs:	\$11,671
Assessed Value:	\$244,100
Total Project Cost:	\$145,000
Donations:	\$95,000
Easement Holder Organization Name:	Minnesota Land Trust
Easement Holder Manager Name:	Wayne Ostlie
Easement Holder Address:	2356 University Ave W, Suite 240
Easement Holder City:	St. Paul
Easement Holder State:	MN
Easement Holder Zip:	55114
Easement Holder Email:	wostlie@mnland.org
Easement Holder Phone:	651-917-6292
Responsible Organization Name:	Minnesota Land Trust
Responsible Manager Name:	Wayne Ostlie
Responsible Address:	2356 University Ave. W.
Responsible City:	St. Paul
Responsible State:	MN
Responsible Zip:	55114
Responsible Email:	wostlie@mnland.org
Responsible Phone:	651-917-6292
Underlying Fee Owner:	Edward "Jack" and Jane Bardon

Completed Parcel: Knife River (Cook)

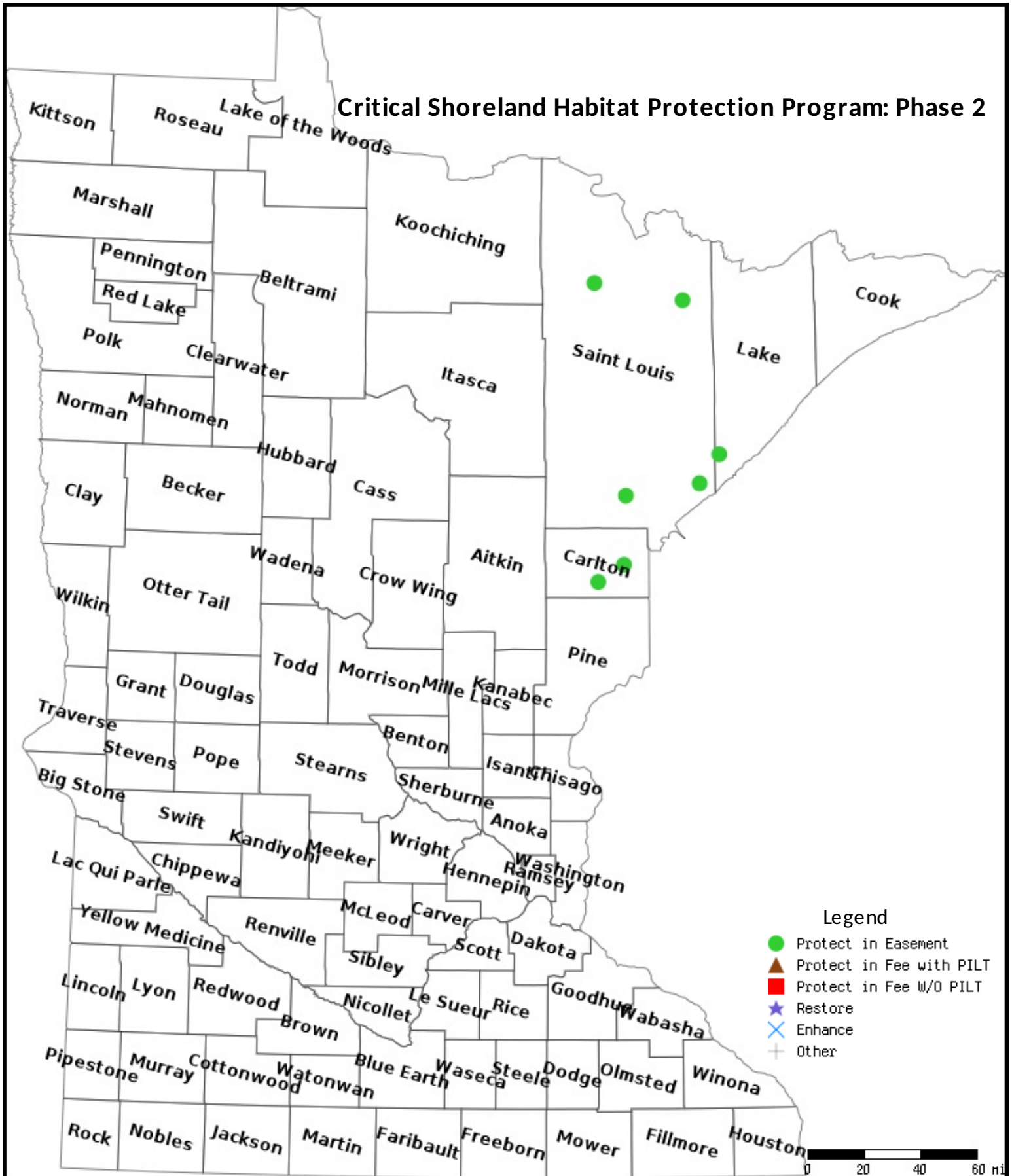
# of Total Acres:	140
County:	Lake
Township:	054
Range:	11
Direction:	2
Section:	29
# of Acres: Wetlands/Upland:	37
# of Acres: Forest:	103
# of Acres: Prairie/Grassland:	0
Amount of Shoreline:	2424 (Linear Feet)
Name of Adjacent Body of Water (if applicable):	Knife River
Has there been signage erected at the site:	No - It is our practice to give landowners signage upon closing. We will confirm placement at our annual monitoring visits.
Annual Reporting Organization Name:	Minnesota Land Trust
Annual Reporting Manager Name:	Kris Larson
Annual Reporting Address:	2356 University Ave. W.
Annual Reporting City:	St. Paul
Annual Reporting State:	MN
Annual Reporting Zip:	55114
Annual Reporting Email:	klarson@mnland.org
Annual Reporting Phone:	651-647-9590
Purchase Date:	November 14, 2013
Purchase Price:	\$50,000
Appraised Value:	\$154,000
Professional Service Costs:	\$7,484
Assessed Value:	\$373,400
Total Project Cost:	\$154,000
Donations:	\$104,000
Easement Holder Organization Name:	Minnesota Land Trust
Easement Holder Manager Name:	Kris Larson
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Responsible City:	St. Paul
Responsible State:	MN
Responsible Zip:	55114
Responsible Email:	klarson@mnland.org
Responsible Phone:	651-647-9590
Underlying Fee Owner:	Philip and Elsie Cook

Completed Parcel: Sucker River (Haensel)

# of Total Acres:	339
County:	St. Louis
Township:	052
Range:	12
Direction:	2
Section:	18
# of Acres: Wetlands/Upland:	54
# of Acres: Forest:	281
# of Acres: Prairie/Grassland:	0
Amount of Shoreline:	7473 (Linear Feet)
Name of Adjacent Body of Water (if applicable):	Big Sucker Creek
Has there been signage erected at the site:	No - It is our practice to give landowners signage upon closing. We will confirm placement at our annual monitoring visits.
Annual Reporting Organization Name:	Minnesota Land Trust
Annual Reporting Manager Name:	Kris Larson
Annual Reporting Address:	2356 University Ave. W.
Annual Reporting City:	St. Paul
Annual Reporting State:	MN
Annual Reporting Zip:	55114
Annual Reporting Email:	klarson@mnland.org
Annual Reporting Phone:	651-647-9590
Purchase Date:	May 18, 2015
Purchase Price:	\$170,000
Appraised Value:	\$363,000
Professional Service Costs:	\$11,434
Assessed Value:	\$704,200
Total Project Cost:	\$363,000
Donations:	\$193,000
Easement Holder Organization Name:	Minnesota Land Trust
Easement Holder Manager Name:	Wayne Ostlie
Easement Holder Address:	2356 University Ave. W, Suite 240
Easement Holder City:	St. Paul
Easement Holder State:	MN
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Responsible State:	MN
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Responsible Email:	wostlie@mnland.org
Responsible Phone:	651-917-6292
Underlying Fee Owner:	Carl and Cynthia Haensel

Parcel Map

Critical Shoreland Habitat Protection Program: Phase 2



Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council

Laws of Minnesota 2013 Final Report



Date: March 28, 2016

Program or Project Title: Shallow Lake & Wetland Protection Program - Phase III

Funds Recommended: \$3,530,000

Manager's Name: Jon Schneider
Organization: Ducks Unlimited
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Legislative Citation: ML 2013, Ch. 137, Art. 1, Sec. 2, Subd. 4(c)

Appropriation Language: \$3,530,000 in the first year is to the commissioner of natural resources for an agreement with Ducks Unlimited to acquire land in fee for wildlife management purposes under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 8. A list of proposed land acquisitions must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

County Locations: Big Stone, Blue Earth, Freeborn, Le Sueur, Martin, Meeker, and Nicollet.

Regions in which work will take place:

- Prairie

Activity types:

- Protect in Fee

Priority resources addressed by activity:

- Wetlands
- Prairie

Abstract:

Ducks Unlimited purchased a total of 567 acres in 11 separate parcels in the Prairie Section for the state of Minnesota, including 135 acres of wetlands and 432 acres of uplands. All 11 parcels have been restored and transferred to the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources for inclusion in state Wildlife Management Areas, are open to public access, and managed for wildlife habitat and outdoor recreation. This prairie conservation work contributes to the goals of the Minnesota Prairie Conservation Plan, the Governor's Pheasant Action Plan, Minnesota's Long-range Duck Recovery Plan, and the North American Waterfowl Management Plan.

Design and scope of work:

This ongoing public land acquisition and restoration program helps implement Minnesota's Prairie Conservation Plan. In the Prairie Section of Minnesota, 90% of our prairie wetlands have been drained and most native prairie uplands lost to agriculture. The wetland basins that remain are often large, deep wetlands and shallow lakes that now receive heavy runoff and drainage from the intensively cultivated landscape that surrounds them.

Some of our remaining wetland and shallow lake basins are surrounded in whole or part by state Wildlife Management Areas (WMA) or federal Waterfowl Production Areas (WPA), while others exist in on private land nearby, sometimes in a partially-drained condition.

Landscape drainage, intensive cultivation of the prairie landscape, and invasive fish such as carp has degraded these remaining wetlands and shallow lakes into turbid waters which provide only limited habitat benefit to migrating and brood-rearing waterfowl and other wetland-dependent wildlife, and poor outdoor recreational opportunities for Minnesota duck hunters.

To remedy in-basin nutrient cycling that leads to turbidity and degraded waterfowl habitat conditions, DU partners with Minnesota DNR and U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service managers to enhance, restore, and actively manage shallow lakes and wetlands through temporary water level draw-downs to consolidate sediments and nutrients, reduce and remove invasive fish, improve water clarity, and enhance the aquatic ecology in some shallow lake and large wetland basins under their control. DU actively supports these efforts by providing bio-engineering technical assistance and delivering water control structures through other OHF appropriations. However, as agriculture intensifies and pressures to convert idle land into row-crop production and other purposes grow, restoring land around these public lands containing wetlands and shallow lakes is also desperately needed to help buffer them, restore their watersheds, improve prairie-wetland habitat complexes, and meet the goals of Minnesota's Prairie Conservation Plan.

This program strives to buffer our remaining shallow lakes and wetlands on public land by acquiring and restoring lands immediately surrounding them. Some private land adjacent to our state WMAs containing remaining wetlands and shallow lakes include patches of native prairie or are restored cropland enrolled in the USDA's short-term Conservation Reserve Program (CRP), but remain vulnerable to conversion back to agriculture due to rising row-crop and land prices, and need permanent protection. Other private lands are intensively cultivated right up to the edge of shallow lakes and wetlands, or to the edge of state WMAs containing such basins, and need to be restored and permanently protected. While some of these lands can be restored and protected thru the state or federal conservation easement programs, many other parcels come on the market for sale and must be acquired in fee-title in order to restore and protect them in perpetuity.

This Phase 3 of Ducks Unlimited's facilitative public land acquisition and restoration program focused on acquiring and restoring land adjoining state WMAs with shallow lakes and wetlands. Acquisition of these lands are for state public land ownership and management to further buffer WMAs with wetland basins and to create or improve the size of wetland complexes, restore and preserve prairie uplands and small wetlands around shallow lakes and WMAs, and make new shallow lake enhancement and wetland restoration projects possible.

Through this Phase 3 grant portion of our program, DU acquired (and restored where necessary) 11 parcels of land totaling 567 acres in seven different counties within the southern Prairie Section. These parcels included 135 acres of wetlands and 432 acres of upland habitat. This total of 567 acres acquired surpassed our projected goal for this grant of 400 acres, and thus this Phase 3 of our prairie land protection program was highly successful. All lands acquired have been transferred to the state of Minnesota for inclusion in state Wildlife Management Areas managed by the Minnesota DNR for wildlife management purposes, and are open to the public for outdoor recreational opportunities.

Which LSOHC state-wide priorities are addressed in this proposal:

- Address conservation opportunities that will be lost if not immediately acted on
- Address wildlife species of greatest conservation need, Minnesota County Biological Survey data, and rare, threatened and endangered species inventories in land and water decisions, as well as permanent solutions to aquatic invasive species
- Allow public access. This comes into play when all other things about the request are approximately equal
- Are able to leverage effort and/or other funds to supplement any OHF appropriation
- Are ongoing, successful, transparent and accountable programs addressing actions and targets of one or more of the ecological sections
- Ensures activities for "protecting, restoring and enhancing" are coordinated among agencies, non profits and others while doing this important work
- Produce multiple enduring conservation benefits
- Provide Minnesotans with greater public access to outdoor environments with hunting, fishing and other outdoor recreation opportunities
- Restore or enhance habitat on state-owned WMAs, AMAs, SNAs, and state forests
- Target unique Minnesota landscapes that have historical value to fish and wildlife
- Use a science-based strategic planning and evaluation model to guide protection, restoration and enhancement, similar to the United States Fish and Wildlife Service's Strategic Habitat Conservation model

Which LSOHC section priorities are addressed in this proposal:

Prairie:

- Protect, enhance, or restore existing wetland/upland complexes, or convert agricultural lands to new wetland/upland habitat complexes
- Protect, enhance, and restore remnant native prairie, Big Woods forests, and oak savanna

- Convert agricultural land to wetland/upland to protect, enhance, or restore existing habitat complexes, such as WMAs
- Restore or enhance habitat on public lands
- Protect, restore, and enhance shallow lakes
- Protect expiring CRP lands
- Protect, enhance, and restore migratory habitat for waterfowl and related species, so as to increase migratory and breeding success

Relationship to other funds:

- Not Listed

Interest in protecting Minnesota's wetland and shallow lake habitats has resulted in numerous initiatives and a variety of funding sources, including the Environmental and Natural Resource Trust Fund and Clean Water Fund. The work from this proposal will complement the goals of other funds, although project selection in this effort will be based primarily on wildlife habitat benefits and use of other state constitutional funds is not anticipated. This work simply complements the habitat and clean water goals of those funds.

How will you sustain and/or maintain this work after the Outdoor Heritage Funds are expended:

Lands were acquired in fee-title and transferred to the state of Minnesota for inclusion in the state Wildlife Management Area system managed by the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources Section of Wildlife. Future maintenance and operation costs will be covered by Minnesota DNR largely through the use of Game and Fish funds and other accounts available to the Section of Wildlife for their annual operational budgets.

Outcomes:

Programs in prairie region:

- Core areas protected with highly biologically diverse wetlands and plant communities, including native prairie, Big Woods, and oak savanna
- Expiring CRP lands are permanently protected
- Improved condition of habitat on public lands
- Increased participation of private landowners in habitat projects
- Protected, restored, and enhanced habitat for waterfowl, upland birds, and species of greatest conservation need
- Protected, restored, and enhanced shallow lakes and wetlands
- Remnant native prairies and wetlands are permanently protected and are part of large complexes of restored prairie, grasslands, and large and small wetlands
- Water is kept on the land

How will they be measured and evaluated?

All lands acquired were transferred to the Minnesota DNR for inclusion in the state wildlife management area system, and will be protected in perpetuity and managed for wildlife habitat by state professional wildlife biologists and land managers.

Budget Spreadsheet

Final Budget line item reallocations are allowed up to 10% and do not need require an amendment to the Accomplishment Plan

Total Amount: \$3,530,000

Budget and Cash Leverage

BudgetName	Request	Spent	Cash Leverage (anticipated)	Cash Leverage (received)	Leverage Source	Total (original)	Total (final)
Personnel	\$200,000	\$87,500	\$100,000	\$51,700	DU Private Funds, DU Private Funds	\$300,000	\$139,200
Contracts	\$250,000	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$250,000	\$0
Fee Acquisition w/ PILT	\$3,000,000	\$3,225,100	\$0	\$0		\$3,000,000	\$3,225,100
Fee Acquisition w/o PILT	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
Easement Acquisition	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
Easement Stewardship	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
Travel	\$20,000	\$2,400	\$0	\$4,200	DU Private Funds	\$20,000	\$6,600
Professional Services	\$20,000	\$75,000	\$0	\$700	DU Private Funds	\$20,000	\$75,700
Direct Support Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
DNR Land Acquisition Costs	\$30,000	\$50,000	\$0	\$0		\$30,000	\$50,000
Capital Equipment	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
Other Equipment/Tools	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
Supplies/Materials	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
DNR IDP	\$10,000	\$90,000	\$0	\$0		\$10,000	\$90,000
Total	\$3,530,000	\$3,530,000	\$100,000	\$56,600		\$3,630,000	\$3,586,600

Personnel

Position	FTE	Over # of years	Spent	Cash Leverage	Leverage Source	Total
DU Conservation Program Manager and Biologist - Land Acquisition Project Delivery	0.70	2.00	\$73,300	\$43,300	DU Private Funds	\$116,600
DU Conservation Program Manager and Biologist - Grant Administration	0.10	2.00	\$14,200	\$8,400	DU Private Funds	\$22,600
Total	0.80	4.00	\$87,500	\$51,700		\$139,200

Output Tables

Table 1a. Acres by Resource Type

Type	Wetlands (original)	Wetlands (final)	Prairies (original)	Prairies (final)	Forest (original)	Forest (final)	Habitats (original)	Habitats (final)	Total (original)	Total (final)
Restore	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Protect in Fee with State PILT Liability	50	135	350	432	0	0	0	0	400	567
Protect in Fee W/O State PILT Liability	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Protect in Easement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Enhance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	50	135	350	432	0	0	0	0	400	567

Table 1b. How many of these Prairie acres are Native Prairie?

Type	Native Prairie (original)	Native Prairie (final)
Restore	0	0
Protect in Fee with State PILT Liability	0	0
Protect in Fee W/O State PILT Liability	0	0
Protect in Easement	0	0
Enhance	0	0
Total	0	0

Table 2. Total Requested Funding by Resource Type

Type	Wetlands (original)	Wetlands (final)	Prairies (original)	Prairies (final)	Forest (original)	Forest (final)	Habitats (original)	Habitats (final)	Total (original)	Total (final)
Restore	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Protect in Fee with State PILT Liability	\$530,000	\$847,200	\$3,000,000	\$2,682,800	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,530,000	\$3,530,000
Protect in Fee W/O State PILT Liability	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Protect in Easement	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Enhance	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	\$530,000	\$847,200	\$3,000,000	\$2,682,800	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,530,000	\$3,530,000

Table 3. Acres within each Ecological Section

Type	Metro Urban (original)	Metro Urban (final)	ForestPrairie (original)	Forest Prairie (final)	SE Forest (original)	SE Forest (final)	Prairie (original)	Prairie (final)	N Forest (original)	N Forest (final)	Total (original)	Total (final)
Restore	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Protect in Fee with State PILT Liability	0	0	100	0	0	0	300	567	0	0	400	567
Protect in Fee W/O State PILT Liability	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Protect in Easement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Enhance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	100	0	0	0	300	567	0	0	400	567

Table 4. Total Requested Funding within each Ecological Section

Type	Metro Urban (original)	Metro Urban (final)	ForestPrairie (original)	Forest Prairie (final)	SE Forest (original)	SE Forest (final)	Prairie (original)	Prairie (final)	N Forest (original)	N Forest (final)	Total (original)	Total (final)
Restore	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Protect in Fee with State PILT Liability	\$0	\$0	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,530,000	\$3,530,000	\$0	\$0	\$3,530,000	\$3,530,000
Protect in Fee W/O State PILT Liability	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Protect in Easement	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Enhance	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	\$0	\$0	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,530,000	\$3,530,000	\$0	\$0	\$3,530,000	\$3,530,000

Target Lake/Stream/River Feet or Miles (original)

0

Target Lake/Stream/River Feet or Miles (final)

0

Parcel List

Section 1 - Restore / Enhance Parcel List

No parcels with an activity type restore or enhance.

Section 2 - Protect Parcel List

Big Stone

Name	TRDS	Acres	OHF Cost	Existing Protection?	Hunting?	Fishing?	Description
LQP WMA - Marsh Lake Perry Tract	12044215	25	\$115,800	No	Full	Full	Marsh Lake Perry Tract

Blue Earth

Name	TRDS	Acres	OHF Cost	Existing Protection?	Hunting?	Fishing?	Description
Gilfillin WMA - Borgmeier Tract	10925232	12	\$88,300	No	Full	Full	Borgmeier Tract

Freeborn

Name	TRDS	Acres	OHF Cost	Existing Protection?	Hunting?	Fishing?	Description
Magaksica WMA - Ochs Tract	10222213	59	\$103,950	No	Full	Full	Mud Lake - Ochs Tract

Le Sueur

Name	TRDS	Acres	OHF Cost	Existing Protection?	Hunting?	Fishing?	Description
Sanborn Lake - Dietz Tract #5	11223236	87	\$585,000	No	Full	Full	Dietz Tract #5
Sanborn Lake - Dietz Tract #6	11223235	126	\$755,000	No	Full	Full	Dietz Tract on Dietz Lakd south of Peterson Tract
Sanborn Lake - Peterson Tract #4	11223235	23	\$83,000	No	Full	Full	Peterson Tract on 2nd outlet of Sanborn Lake

Martin

Name	TRDS	Acres	OHF Cost	Existing Protection?	Hunting?	Fishing?	Description
Perch Creek WMA - FLCL Parcel #2, Tract #6	10430218	28	\$193,000	No	Full	Full	FoxLake Conservation League Parcel #2

Meeker

Name	TRDS	Acres	OHF Cost	Existing Protection?	Hunting?	Fishing?	Description
Thoen Lake WMA - Schram/Robinson Tract	11931230	60	\$240,600	No	Full	Full	Harold Lake Schram/Robinson Tract

Nicollet

Name	TRDS	Acres	OHF Cost	Existing Protection?	Hunting?	Fishing?	Description
Swan Lake WMA Courtland Middle Kuester SLA Tract #2	11029229	52	\$287,100	No	Full	Full	Courtland Middle Lake Unit Kuester SLA Tract #2
Swan Lake WMA - Oakleaf Unit Netz Tract	11027226	25	\$195,500	No	Full	Full	Oakleaf Unit - Netz Tract
Swan Lake WMA - Peterson Lake Unit Zins Tract	11029212	70	\$521,250	No	Full	Full	Peterson Lake Unit - Zins Tract

Section 2a - Protect Parcel with Bldgs

No parcels with an activity type protect and has buildings.

Section 3 - Other Parcel Activity

No parcels with an other activity type.

Completed Parcel: Gilfillin WMA - Borgmeier Tract

# of Total Acres:	12
County:	Blue Earth
Township:	109
Range:	25
Direction:	2
Section:	32
# of Acres: Wetlands/Upland:	2
# of Acres: Forest:	
# of Acres: Prairie/Grassland:	10
Amount of Shoreline:	900 (Linear Feet)
Name of Adjacent Body of Water (if applicable):	unnamed wetland adjacent to Gilfillin Lake
Has there been signage erected at the site:	Yes
Annual Reporting Organization Name:	Minnesota DNR Section of Wildlife
Annual Reporting Manager Name:	Pat Rivers (Kim Hennings)
Annual Reporting Address:	500 Lafayette Road
Annual Reporting City:	St. Paul
Annual Reporting State:	MN
Annual Reporting Zip:	55155
Annual Reporting Email:	pat.rivers@state.mn.us
Annual Reporting Phone:	6512595210
Purchase Date:	June 27, 2014
Acquisition Title:	
Purchase Price:	\$88,300
Appraised Value:	\$88,300
Professional Service Costs:	\$9,321
Assessed Value:	\$70,600
Total Project Cost:	\$88,300
Fees Received:	\$0
Donations:	\$0
Related Parties:	
Property Managed By:	DNR - Wildlife Management Area -
Name of the unit area or location government unit or land manager:	Gilfillin WMA

Completed Parcel: LQP WMA - Marsh Lake Perry Tract

# of Total Acres:	25
County:	Big Stone
Township:	120
Range:	44
Direction:	2
Section:	15
# of Acres: Wetlands/Upland:	0
# of Acres: Forest:	
# of Acres: Prairie/Grassland:	25
Amount of Shoreline:	10 (Linear Feet)
Name of Adjacent Body of Water (if applicable):	Marsh Lake
Has there been signage erected at the site:	Yes
Annual Reporting Organization Name:	Minnesota DNR Section of Wildlife
Annual Reporting Manager Name:	Pat Rivers (Kim Hennings)
Annual Reporting Address:	500 Lafayette Road
Annual Reporting City:	St. Paul
Annual Reporting State:	MN
Annual Reporting Zip:	55155
Annual Reporting Email:	pat.rivers@state.mn.us
Annual Reporting Phone:	6512595210
Purchase Date:	December 27, 2013
Acquisition Title:	
Purchase Price:	\$115,800
Appraised Value:	\$115,800
Professional Service Costs:	\$6,330
Assessed Value:	\$108,000
Total Project Cost:	\$115,800
Fees Received:	\$0
Donations:	\$0
Related Parties:	
Property Managed By:	DNR - Wildlife Management Area -
Name of the unit area or location government unit or land manager:	Lac qui Parle WMA

Completed Parcel: Magaksica WMA - Ochs Tract

# of Total Acres:	59
County:	Freeborn
Township:	102
Range:	22
Direction:	2
Section:	13
# of Acres: Wetlands/Upland:	50
# of Acres: Forest:	
# of Acres: Prairie/Grassland:	9
Amount of Shoreline:	1700 (Linear Feet)
Name of Adjacent Body of Water (if applicable):	Mud Lake
Has there been signage erected at the site:	Yes
Annual Reporting Organization Name:	Minnesota DNR Section of Wildlife
Annual Reporting Manager Name:	Pat Rivers (Kim Hennings)
Annual Reporting Address:	500 Lafayette Road
Annual Reporting City:	St. Paul
Annual Reporting State:	MN
Annual Reporting Zip:	55155
Annual Reporting Email:	pat.rivers@state.mn.us
Annual Reporting Phone:	6512595210
Purchase Date:	October 29, 2013
Acquisition Title:	
Purchase Price:	\$103,950
Appraised Value:	\$103,950
Professional Service Costs:	\$5,769
Assessed Value:	\$93,000
Total Project Cost:	\$103,950
Fees Received:	\$0
Donations:	\$0
Related Parties:	
Property Managed By:	DNR - Wildlife Management Area -
Name of the unit area or location government unit or land manager:	Magaksica WMA

Completed Parcel: Perch Creek WMA - FLCL Parcel #2, Tract #6

# of Total Acres:	28
County:	Martin
Township:	104
Range:	30
Direction:	2
Section:	18
# of Acres: Wetlands/Upland:	3
# of Acres: Forest:	
# of Acres: Prairie/Grassland:	25
Amount of Shoreline:	730 (Linear Feet)
Name of Adjacent Body of Water (if applicable):	Perch Lake
Has there been signage erected at the site:	Yes
Annual Reporting Organization Name:	Minnesota DNR Section of Wildlife
Annual Reporting Manager Name:	Pat Rivers (Kim Hennings)
Annual Reporting Address:	500 Lafayette Road
Annual Reporting City:	St. Paul
Annual Reporting State:	MN
Annual Reporting Zip:	55155
Annual Reporting Email:	pat.rivers@state.mn.us
Annual Reporting Phone:	6512595210
Purchase Date:	October 16, 2014
Acquisition Title:	
Purchase Price:	\$193,000
Appraised Value:	\$193,200
Professional Service Costs:	\$8,301
Assessed Value:	\$118,900
Total Project Cost:	\$193,000
Fees Received:	\$0
Donations:	\$0
Related Parties:	
Property Managed By:	DNR - Wildlife Management Area -
Name of the unit area or location government unit or land manager:	Perch Creek WMA

Completed Parcel: Sanborn Lake - Dietz Tract #5

# of Total Acres:	87
County:	Le Sueur
Township:	112
Range:	23
Direction:	2
Section:	36
# of Acres: Wetlands/Upland:	7
# of Acres: Forest:	
# of Acres: Prairie/Grassland:	80
Amount of Shoreline:	4500 (Linear Feet)
Name of Adjacent Body of Water (if applicable):	Sanborn Lake
Has there been signage erected at the site:	
Annual Reporting Organization Name:	Minnesota DNR Section of Wildlife
Annual Reporting Manager Name:	Pat Rivers (Kim Hennings)
Annual Reporting Address:	500 Lafayette Road
Annual Reporting City:	St. Paul
Annual Reporting State:	MN
Annual Reporting Zip:	55155
Annual Reporting Email:	pat.rivers@state.mn.us
Annual Reporting Phone:	6512595210
Purchase Date:	June 26, 2014
Acquisition Title:	
Purchase Price:	\$585,000
Appraised Value:	\$585,000
Professional Service Costs:	\$14,907
Assessed Value:	\$432,800
Total Project Cost:	\$585,000
Fees Received:	\$0
Donations:	\$0
Related Parties:	
Property Managed By:	DNR - Wildlife Management Area -
Name of the unit area or location government unit or land manager:	Sanborn Lake WMA

Completed Parcel: Sanborn Lake - Dietz Tract #6

# of Total Acres:	126
County:	Le Sueur
Township:	112
Range:	23
Direction:	2
Section:	35
# of Acres: Wetlands/Upland:	26
# of Acres: Forest:	
# of Acres: Prairie/Grassland:	100
Amount of Shoreline:	2400 (Linear Feet)
Name of Adjacent Body of Water (if applicable):	Dietz Lake
Has there been signage erected at the site:	Yes
Annual Reporting Organization Name:	Minnesota DNR Section of Wildlife
Annual Reporting Manager Name:	Pat Rivers (Kim Hennings)
Annual Reporting Address:	500 Lafayette Road
Annual Reporting City:	St. Paul
Annual Reporting State:	MN
Annual Reporting Zip:	55155
Annual Reporting Email:	pat.rivers@state.mn.us
Annual Reporting Phone:	6512955210
Purchase Date:	October 31, 2014
Acquisition Title:	
Purchase Price:	\$755,000
Appraised Value:	\$755,000
Professional Service Costs:	\$15,079
Assessed Value:	\$528,700
Total Project Cost:	\$755,000
Fees Received:	\$0
Donations:	\$0
Related Parties:	
Property Managed By:	DNR - Wildlife Management Area -
Name of the unit area or location government unit or land manager:	Sanborn Lake WMA

Completed Parcel: Sanborn Lake - Peterson Tract #4

# of Total Acres:	23
County:	Le Sueur
Township:	112
Range:	23
Direction:	2
Section:	35
# of Acres: Wetlands/Upland:	3
# of Acres: Forest:	
# of Acres: Prairie/Grassland:	20
Amount of Shoreline:	1200 (Linear Feet)
Name of Adjacent Body of Water (if applicable):	Sanborn Lake
Has there been signage erected at the site:	Yes
Annual Reporting Organization Name:	Minnesota DNR Section of Wildlife
Annual Reporting Manager Name:	Pat Rivers (Kim Hennings)
Annual Reporting Address:	500 Lafayette Road
Annual Reporting City:	St. Paul
Annual Reporting State:	MN
Annual Reporting Zip:	55155
Annual Reporting Email:	pat.rivers@state.mn.us
Annual Reporting Phone:	6512595210
Purchase Date:	November 07, 2014
Acquisition Title:	
Purchase Price:	\$83,000
Appraised Value:	\$83,000
Professional Service Costs:	\$10
Assessed Value:	\$61,700
Total Project Cost:	\$83,000
Fees Received:	\$0
Donations:	\$0
Related Parties:	
Property Managed By:	DNR - Wildlife Management Area -
Name of the unit area or location government unit or land manager:	Sanborn Lake WMA

Completed Parcel: Swan Lake WMA Courtland Middle Kuester SLA Tract #2

# of Total Acres:	52
County:	Nicollet
Township:	110
Range:	29
Direction:	2
Section:	29
# of Acres: Wetlands/Upland:	17
# of Acres: Forest:	
# of Acres: Prairie/Grassland:	35
Amount of Shoreline:	1850 (Linear Feet)
Name of Adjacent Body of Water (if applicable):	unnamed wetland
Has there been signage erected at the site:	Yes
Annual Reporting Organization Name:	Minnesota DNR Section of Wildlife
Annual Reporting Manager Name:	Pat Rivers (Kim Hennings)
Annual Reporting Address:	500 Lafayette Road
Annual Reporting City:	St. Paul
Annual Reporting State:	MN
Annual Reporting Zip:	55155
Annual Reporting Email:	pat.rivers@state.mn.us
Annual Reporting Phone:	6512595210
Purchase Date:	October 28, 2014
Acquisition Title:	
Purchase Price:	\$287,100
Appraised Value:	\$287,100
Professional Service Costs:	\$6,710
Assessed Value:	\$267,900
Total Project Cost:	\$287,100
Fees Received:	\$0
Donations:	\$0
Related Parties:	
Property Managed By:	DNR - Wildlife Management Area -
Name of the unit area or location government unit or land manager:	Swan Lake WMA Middle/Courtland Unit

Completed Parcel: Swan Lake WMA - Oakleaf Unit Netz Tract

# of Total Acres:	25
County:	Nicollet
Township:	110
Range:	27
Direction:	2
Section:	26
# of Acres: Wetlands/Upland:	5
# of Acres: Forest:	
# of Acres: Prairie/Grassland:	20
Amount of Shoreline:	
Name of Adjacent Body of Water (if applicable):	
Has there been signage erected at the site:	Yes
Annual Reporting Organization Name:	Minnesota DNR Section of Wildlife
Annual Reporting Manager Name:	Pat Rivers (Kim Hennings)
Annual Reporting Address:	500 Lafayette Road
Annual Reporting City:	St. Paul
Annual Reporting State:	MN
Annual Reporting Zip:	55155
Annual Reporting Email:	pat.rivers@state.mn.us
Annual Reporting Phone:	6512595210
Purchase Date:	December 27, 2014
Acquisition Title:	
Purchase Price:	\$195,500
Appraised Value:	\$195,500
Professional Service Costs:	\$6,583
Assessed Value:	\$38,100
Total Project Cost:	\$195,500
Fees Received:	\$0
Donations:	\$0
Related Parties:	
Property Managed By:	DNR - Wildlife Management Area -
Name of the unit area or location government unit or land manager:	Swan Lake WMA Oakleaf Unit

Completed Parcel: Swan Lake WMA - Peterson Lake Unit Zins Tract

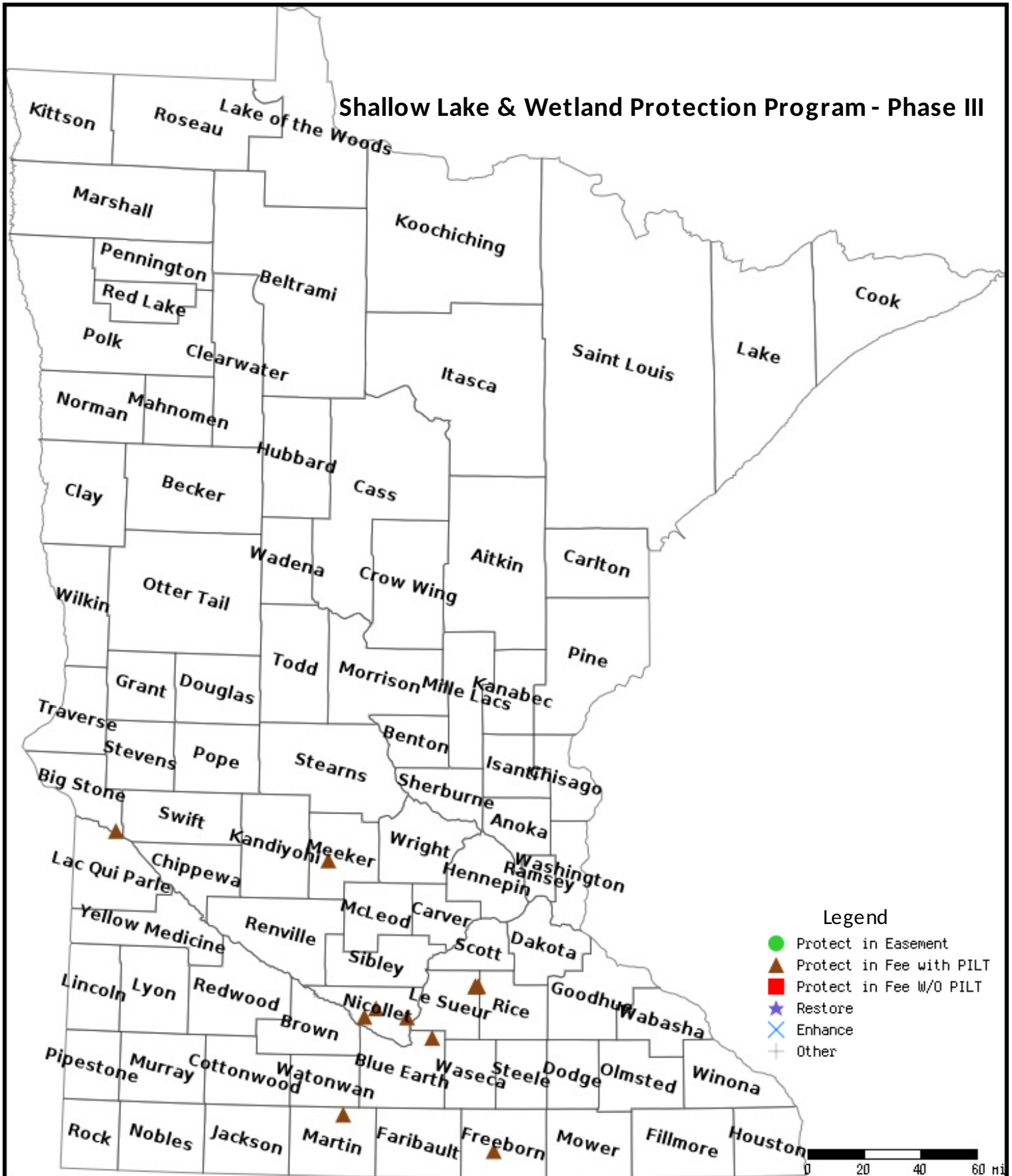
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County:	Nicollet
Township:	110
Range:	29
Direction:	2
Section:	12
# of Acres: Wetlands/Upland:	10
# of Acres: Forest:	
# of Acres: Prairie/Grassland:	60
Amount of Shoreline:	1000 (Linear Feet)
Name of Adjacent Body of Water (if applicable):	Peterson Lake
Has there been signage erected at the site:	Yes
Annual Reporting Organization Name:	Minnesota DNR Section of Wildlife
Annual Reporting Manager Name:	Pat Rivers (Kim Hennings)
Annual Reporting Address:	500 Lafayette Road
Annual Reporting City:	St. Paul
Annual Reporting State:	MN
Annual Reporting Zip:	55155
Annual Reporting Email:	pat.rivers@state.mn.us
Annual Reporting Phone:	6512595210
Purchase Date:	June 19, 2014
Acquisition Title:	
Purchase Price:	\$521,250
Appraised Value:	\$486,500
Professional Service Costs:	\$8,892
Assessed Value:	\$125,900
Total Project Cost:	\$521,250
Fees Received:	\$0
Donations:	\$0
Related Parties:	
Property Managed By:	DNR - Wildlife Management Area -
Name of the unit area or location government unit or land manager:	Swan Lake WMA

Completed Parcel: Thoen Lake WMA - Schram/Robinson Tract

# of Total Acres:	60
County:	Meeker
Township:	119
Range:	31
Direction:	2
Section:	30
# of Acres: Wetlands/Upland:	12
# of Acres: Forest:	
# of Acres: Prairie/Grassland:	48
Amount of Shoreline:	5400 (Linear Feet)
Name of Adjacent Body of Water (if applicable):	Thoen Lake and Harold Lake
Has there been signage erected at the site:	Yes
Annual Reporting Organization Name:	Minnesota DNR Section of Wildlife
Annual Reporting Manager Name:	Pat Rivers (Kim Hennings)
Annual Reporting Address:	500 Lafayette Road
Annual Reporting City:	St. Paul
Annual Reporting State:	MN
Annual Reporting Zip:	55155
Annual Reporting Email:	pat.rivers@state.mn.us
Annual Reporting Phone:	6512595210
Purchase Date:	April 03, 2014
Acquisition Title:	
Purchase Price:	\$240,600
Appraised Value:	\$240,000
Professional Service Costs:	\$8,570
Assessed Value:	\$159,300
Total Project Cost:	\$240,600
Fees Received:	\$0
Donations:	\$0
Related Parties:	
Property Managed By:	DNR - Wildlife Management Area -
Name of the unit area or location government unit or land manager:	Thoen Lake WMA

Parcel Map

Shallow Lake & Wetland Protection Program - Phase III



Data Generated From Parcel List

Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council

Laws of Minnesota 2013 Final Report



Date: August 31, 2016

Program or Project Title: High-Priority Pre-Transaction Service Acceleration

Funds Recommended: \$50,000

Manager's Name: Susan E. Damon
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Legislative Citation: ML 2013, Ch. 137, Art. 1, Sec. 2, Subd. 6(d)

Appropriation Language: \$50,000 in the first year is to the commissioner of natural resources to provide land acquisition pre-transaction services including, but not limited to, appraisals, surveys, or title research for acquisition proposals under consideration by the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council. A list of activities must be included in the final accomplishment plan.

County Locations: Not Listed

Regions in which work was completed:

- Not Listed

Activity types:

- Not Listed

Priority resources addressed by activity:

- Not Listed

Summary of Accomplishments:

No project funds were spent. The Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council did not request that any services be performed with project funds. Accordingly, the \$50,000 appropriation will be returned to the Outdoor Heritage Fund.

Process & Methods:

N/A

Explain Partners, Supporters, & Opposition:

N/A

Additional Comments:

Exceptional challenges, expectations, failures, opportunities, or unique aspects of program

N/A

Other Funds Received:

- Not Listed

How were the funds used to advanced the program:

Not Listed

What is the plan to sustain and/or maintain this work after the Outdoor Heritage Funds are expended:

N/A

Outcomes:

The original accomplishment plan stated the program would

Budget Spreadsheet

Final Budget line item reallocations are allowed up to 10% and do not need require an amendment to the Accomplishment Plan

Total Amount: \$50,000

Budget and Cash Leverage

BudgetName	Request	Spent	Cash Leverage (anticipated)	Cash Leverage (received)	Leverage Source	Total (original)	Total (final)
Personnel	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
Contracts	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
Fee Acquisition w/ PILT	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
Fee Acquisition w/o PILT	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
Easement Acquisition	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
Easement Stewardship	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
Travel	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
Professional Services	\$45,700	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$45,700	\$0
Direct Support Services	\$4,300	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$4,300	\$0
DNR Land Acquisition Costs	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
Capital Equipment	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
Other Equipment/Tools	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
Supplies/Materials	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
DNR IDP	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
Total	\$50,000	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$50,000	\$0

Explain any budget challenges or successes:

Not Listed

Output Tables

Table 1a. Acres by Resource Type

Type	Wetlands (original)	Wetlands (final)	Prairies (original)	Prairies (final)	Forest (original)	Forest (final)	Habitats (original)	Habitats (final)	Total (original)	Total (final)
Restore	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Protect in Fee with State PILT Liability	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Protect in Fee W/O State PILT Liability	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Protect in Easement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Enhance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Table 2. Total Requested Funding by Resource Type

Type	Wetlands (original)	Wetlands (final)	Prairies (original)	Prairies (final)	Forest (original)	Forest (final)	Habitats (original)	Habitats (final)	Total (original)	Total (final)
Restore	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Protect in Fee with State PILT Liability	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Protect in Fee W/O State PILT Liability	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Protect in Easement	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Enhance	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Table 3. Acres within each Ecological Section

Type	Metro Urban (original)	Metro Urban (final)	ForestPrairie (original)	Forest Prairie (final)	SE Forest (original)	SE Forest (final)	Prairie (original)	Prairie (final)	N Forest (original)	N Forest (final)	Total (original)	Total (final)
Restore	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Protect in Fee with State PILT Liability	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Protect in Fee W/O State PILT Liability	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Protect in Easement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Enhance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Table 4. Total Requested Funding within each Ecological Section

Type	Metro Urban (original)	Metro Urban (final)	ForestPrairie (original)	Forest Prairie (final)	SE Forest (original)	SE Forest (final)	Prairie (original)	Prairie (final)	N Forest (original)	N Forest (final)	Total (original)	Total (final)
Restore	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Protect in Fee with State PILT Liability	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Protect in Fee W/O State PILT Liability	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Protect in Easement	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Enhance	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Target Lake/Stream/River Feet or Miles (original)

0

Target Lake/Stream/River Feet or Miles (final)

0

Explain the success/shortage of acre goals:

Not Listed

Parcel List

Section 1 - Restore / Enhance Parcel List

No parcels with an activity type restore or enhance.

Section 2 - Protect Parcel List

No parcels with an activity type protect.

Section 2a - Protect Parcel with Bldgs

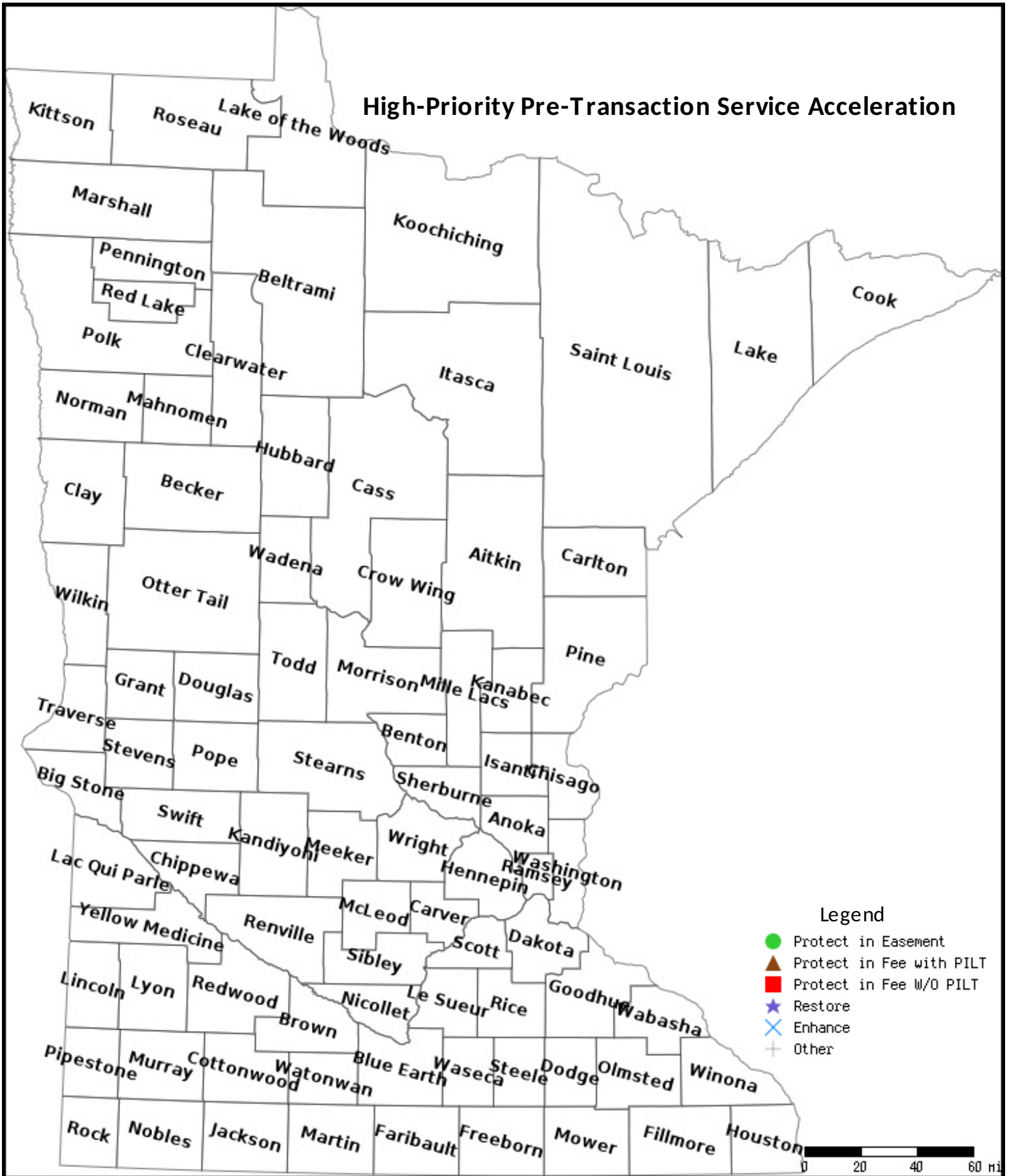
No parcels with an activity type protect and has buildings.

Section 3 - Other Parcel Activity

No parcels with an other activity type.

Parcel Map

High-Priority Pre-Transaction Service Acceleration



Data Generated From Parcel List