



Goodhue County
509 W 5th St.
Red Wing, MN 55066

July 30, 2024

Subject: Acquisition of property to become addition to Woodbury State Wildlife Management Area

Dear Goodhue County Commissioners,

This letter is to introduce a proposal for the State of Minnesota to acquire approximately 40 acres of restored riparian grassland, native grassland, and woodland in south-central Goodhue County (Minneola Township) in partnership with Goodhue County Pheasants Forever. The property is adjacent to ~80 acres of state property known as the Woodbury State Wildlife Management Area (WMA) and would become an addition to the existing WMA (see included map). Of those 40 acres, 15.5 were enrolled in a Reinvest in Minnesota (RIM) Reserve easement by a prior landowner to help protect soil and water quality in the area.

The acquisition of these 40 acres will preserve habitat for wildlife species and will enable wildlife management, while providing outdoor recreational opportunities to the residents of many nearby cities and towns. The property will become part of Minnesota's outdoor recreation system available for dispersed, non-motorized wildlife-based recreation such as hunting, trapping, birdwatching, and hiking.

As always, PILT (Payment in Lieu of Taxes) payments will be made on an annual basis. PILT payments for wildlife management lands are distributed among counties, townships, and school districts as if they were property taxes on the land. The payment is based on a percentage of the appraised value of the property and is updated every number of years. These PILT payments are usually comparable to the amount of property taxes a private landowner would have otherwise made, and in some cases can even end up being higher comparatively.

The final step in adding this parcel to Minnesota's public land system is receiving approval from the Goodhue County Board of Commissioners. We hope you see the value in allowing this piece of property to become part of the adjacent WMA, and kindly ask for resolution on this acquisition during the next meeting. I will be in attendance for any further questions regarding this project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ryan Tebo', with a long horizontal line extending from the top left of the signature.

Ryan Tebo
Rochester Area Assistant Area Wildlife Manager

Goodhue County
Board of County Commissioners
Review of Proposed State Land Acquisition

In accordance with; Minnesota Statutes 84.944, Subd. 3, 97A.145, Subd. 2, and 97C.02 the Commissioner of the Department of Natural Resources on August 8th, 2024, provided the county board with a description of lands to be acquired by the State of Minnesota for Wildlife Management Area purposes.

Lands to be acquired are described as follows:

That part of the North Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 33, Township 110 North, Range 16 West, Goodhue County, Minnesota, described as follows:

Commencing at the southwest corner of the Southeast Quarter of said Section 33; thence on an assumed bearing North 89 degrees 51 minutes 57 seconds East along the south line of said Southeast Quarter 671.15 feet; thence North 00 degrees 08 minutes 03 seconds West 2154.50 feet; thence North 04 degrees 55 minutes 57 seconds East 135.29 feet to the point of beginning of the tract to be described; thence continuing North 04 degrees 55 minutes 57 seconds East 140.74 feet; thence North 88 degrees 06 minutes 34 seconds West 289.07 feet; thence South 72 degrees 17 minutes 27 seconds West 255.80 feet; thence South 80 degrees 51 minutes 35 seconds West 248.66 feet to the west line of said Southeast Quarter; thence North 02 degrees 10 minutes 32 seconds West along said west line 306.22 feet to the north line of the Southeast Quarter of Section 33; thence North 89 degrees 51 minutes 39 seconds East along said north line 2616.48 feet to the northeast corner of said Southeast Quarter; thence South 02 degrees 28 minutes 26 seconds East along the east line of said Southeast Quarter 1315.97 feet to the southeast corner of the North Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 33; thence South 89 degrees 51 minutes 48 seconds West along the south line of said North Half 860.84 feet; thence North 00 degrees 38 minutes 22 seconds West 985.30 feet; thence South 89 degrees 15 minutes 32 seconds West 1023.91 feet to the point of beginning.

This is a preliminary version of the legal description. This description is intended to generally describe the property in the proposed transaction. However, the final legal description is subject to change for reasons including but not limited to correcting errors, ensuring accuracy, and/or after property surveying.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners of Goodhue County on August 8, 2024 that the State's proposed acquisition of the attached described property be

Approved

Disapproved. If so, state reason(s) for disapproval: _____

This resolution was presented by Commissioner _____, seconded by Commissioner _____ and upon vote was duly adopted.

I, _____, County Auditor of the County of Goodhue,

State of Minnesota, certify that the foregoing resolution is a true and correct excerpt of the

minutes of the Board of County Commissioners, County of Goodhue, State of Minnesota held at

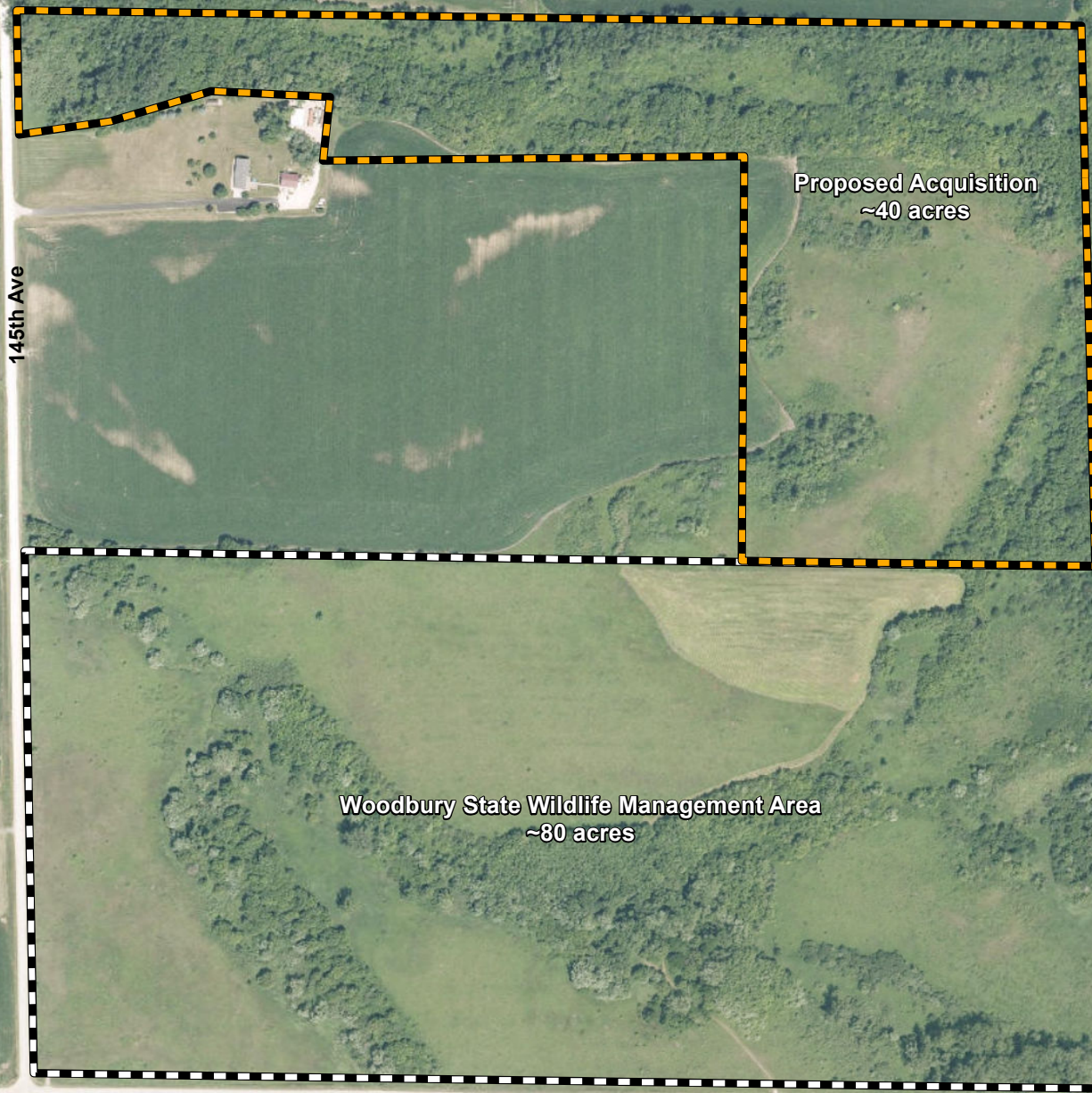
the Goodhue County Fairgrounds, 44279 County 6 Blvd, Zumbrota, Minnesota, on the 8th day of

August, 2024.

County Auditor (signature)

County of Goodhue
State of Minnesota

Woodbury State Wildlife Management Area Kvalvog Tract Acquisition Map Goodhue County T110 R16W Section 33



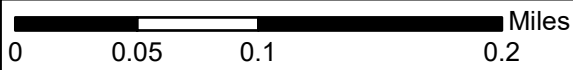
Proposed Acquisition
~40 acres

Woodbury State Wildlife Management Area
~80 acres

145th Ave

460th St

150th Ave



Woodbury State Wildlife Management Area Location Map Goodhue County T110 R16W Section 33



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Zumbrota

Woodbury State
Wildlife Management Area

