

## File# G 937 - Jackson County - 11.4 acres

The Department purchased this property in 1959 for \$360. The property has approximately 1,798 feet of one-bank frontage on Curran Creek, a class three trout stream. The property provides habitat for wetland/grassland species and other wildlife, as well as water quality protection.

The property has no road access, so use is limited to the adjoining private lands and the general public is restricted to legal access from the creek. Hunting may occur on the property, but is unlikely due to the poor access, small size and open grass habitat.

The Department has not made significant investments in infrastructure or habitat improvements. The Department has been contacted by adjacent landowners interested in acquiring the parcel. Because of the classification of the stream as a trout stream, a stream bank easement is recommended for the property.

The Department recommends that the Natural Resources Board offer this land for sale under the authority granted by s. 23.145 Wis. Stats., with the provision that the Department obtain a streambank easement from the buyer as part of the sale agreement. The Department will attempt to gain access to the easement from a public road during negotiations.

