

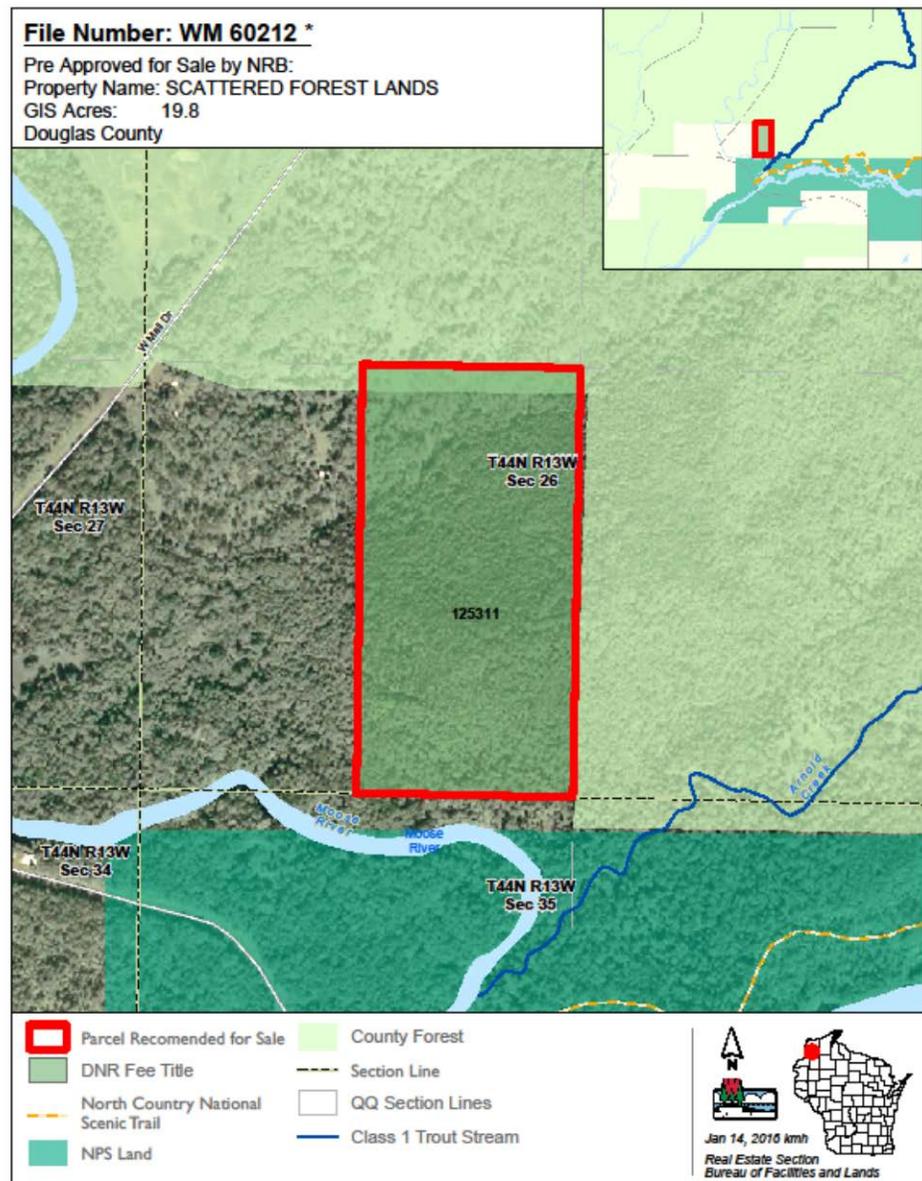
File# WM 60212 – Douglas County - 19.8 acres

The Department purchased this property in 2013 for \$44,000. The property is one of four tracts critical to the routing of the North Country National Scenic Trail. The trail is planned to be routed along the Moose River connecting to County forest land to the North. The intent at acquisition was to approach the County for a possible sale or trade that is mutually beneficial to both parties.

The parcel lies in the blow-down area in northwestern Wisconsin which occurred in July of 2011. Much of the timber was mature to over mature spruce-fir and swamp hardwoods. It is now a mixture of seedlings-saplings and mature trees. The property is landlocked, but can be accessed through the adjacent County Forest.

The Department has not invested in infrastructure or habitat improvements to 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., and the land be only offered to Douglas County, subject to an easement for the North Country National Scenic Trail and a deed restriction requiring the land remain open to the general public for all five NBOA's in perpetuity.



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