

# **FOREST COUNTY WISCONSIN**

**County Forest**

**15 Year Comprehensive Land Use Plan**

**(Chapter 900)**



# **FOREST COUNTY** **COMPREHENSIVE LAND USE PLAN**

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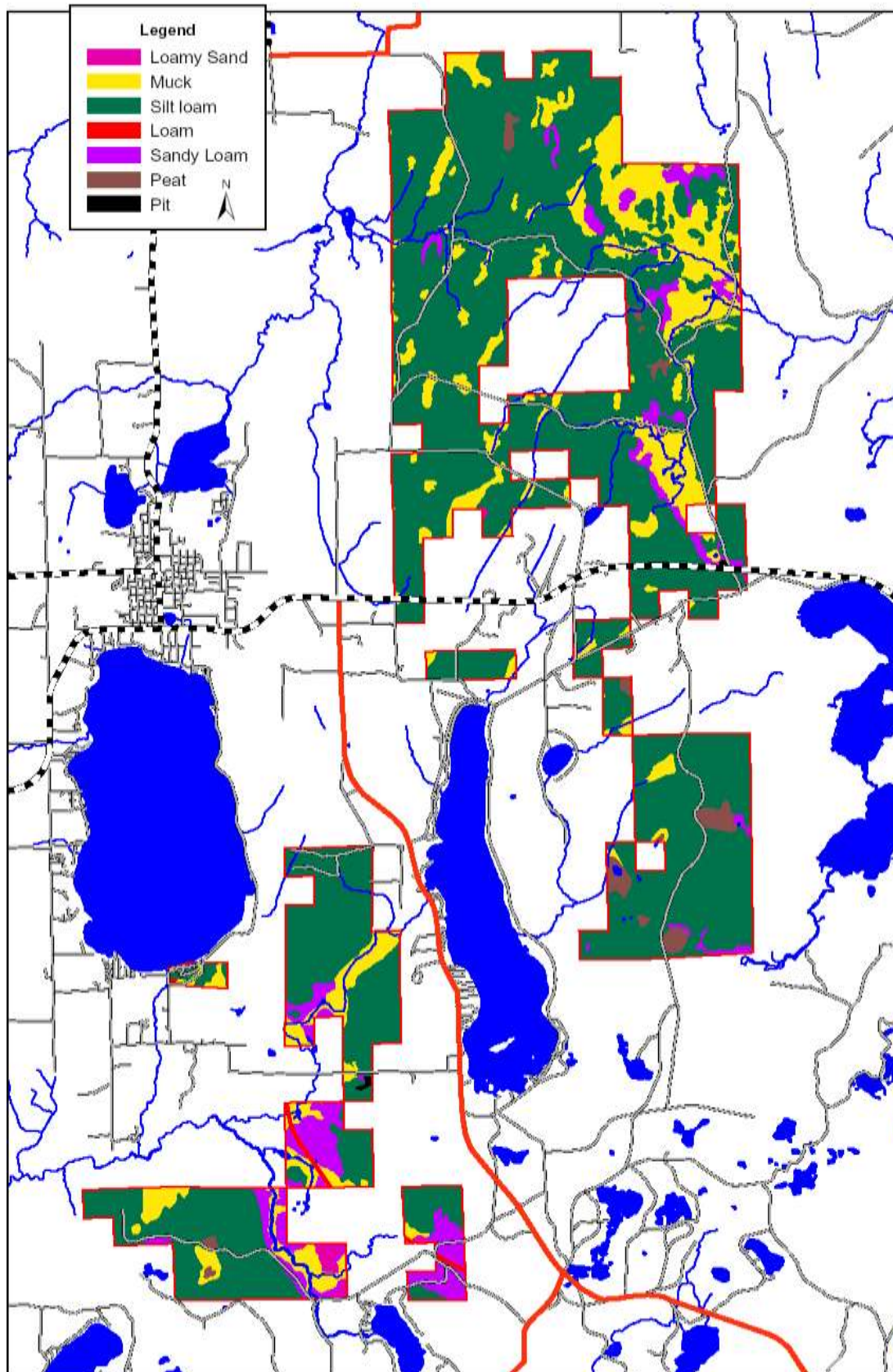
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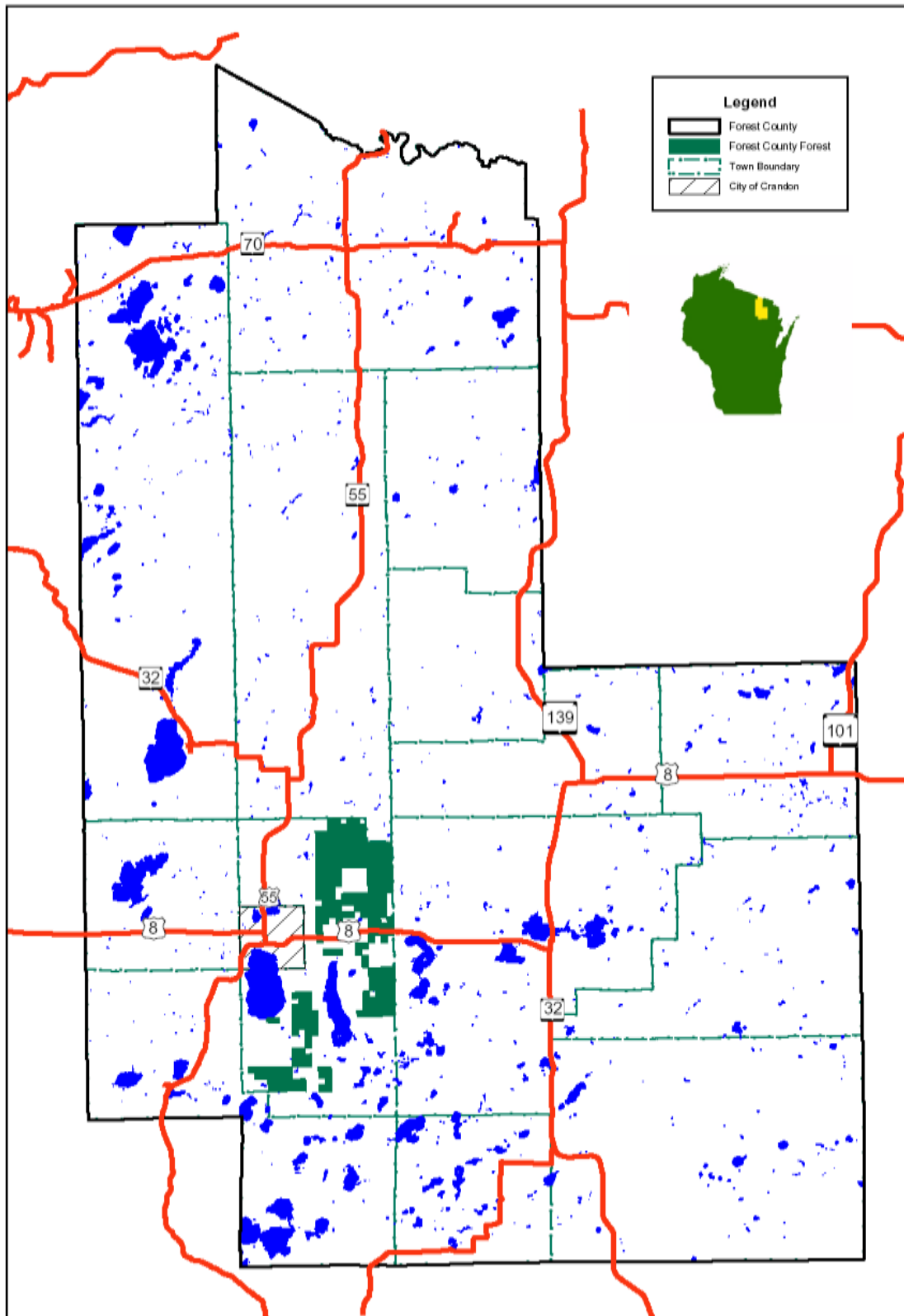
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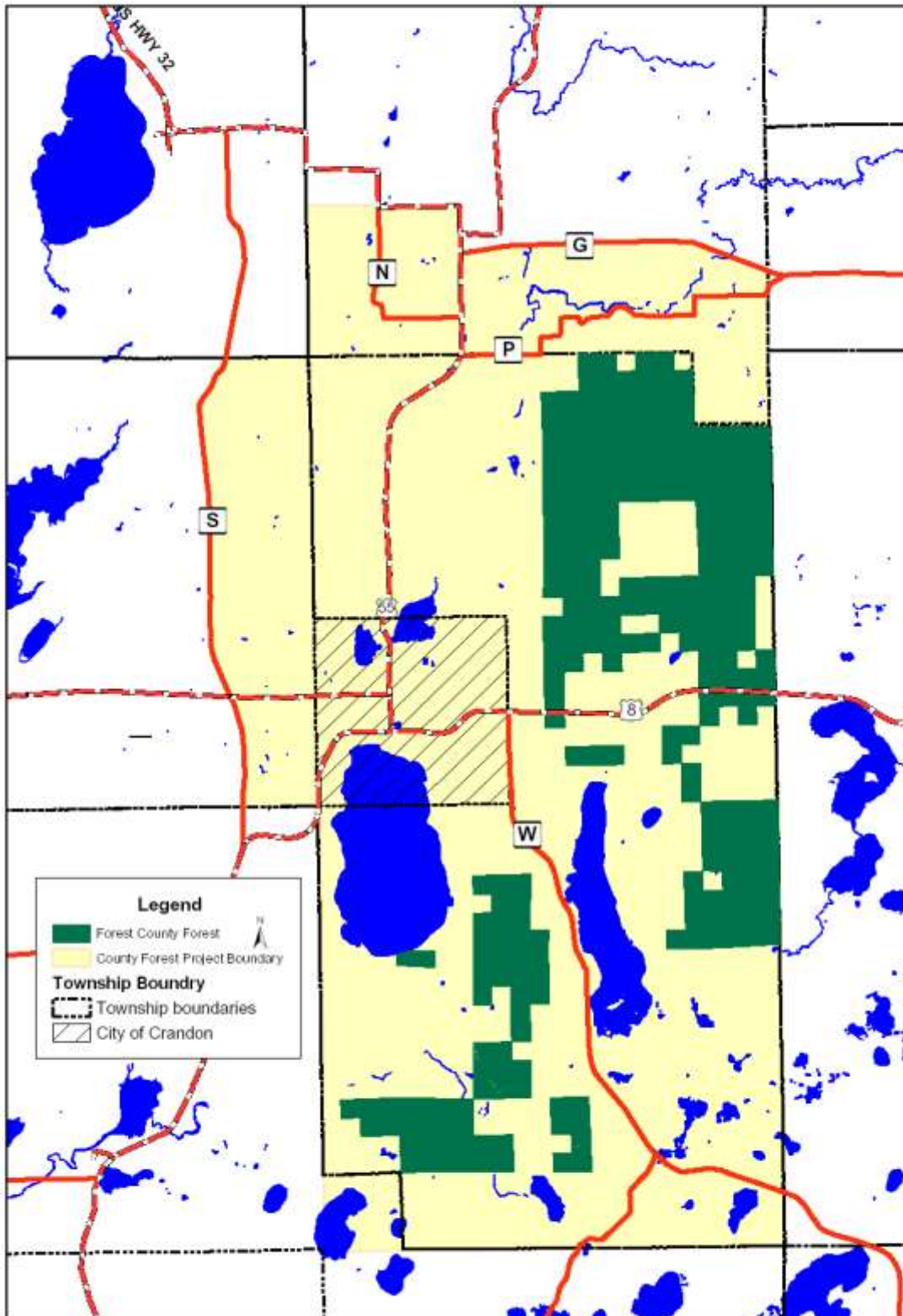
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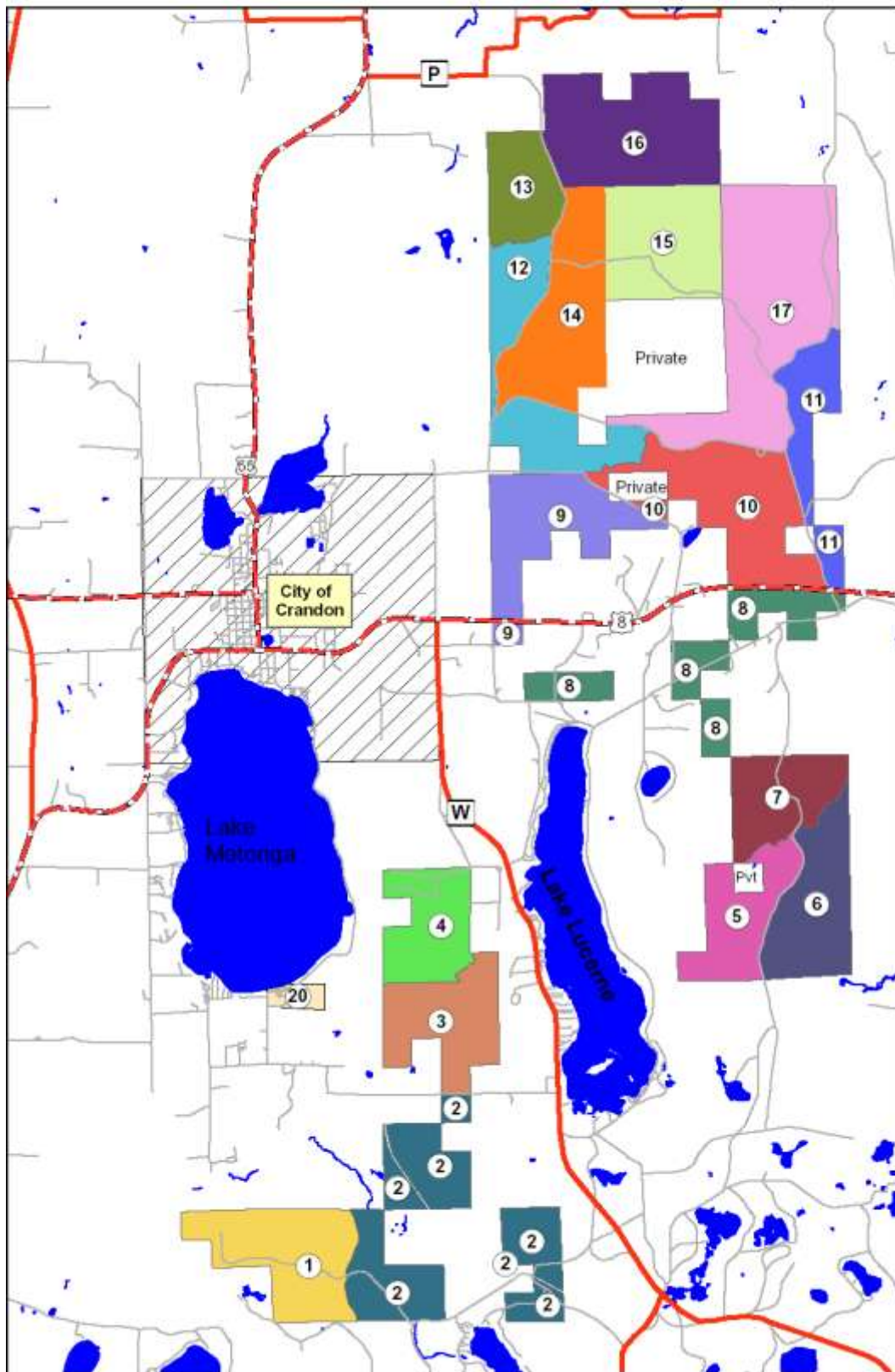
## 900.2 MAP OF COUNTY FOREST LOCATION



## 900.3 COUNTY FOREST BOUNDARY MAP



## 900.4 FOREST COMPARTMENT MAP Forest County Forest



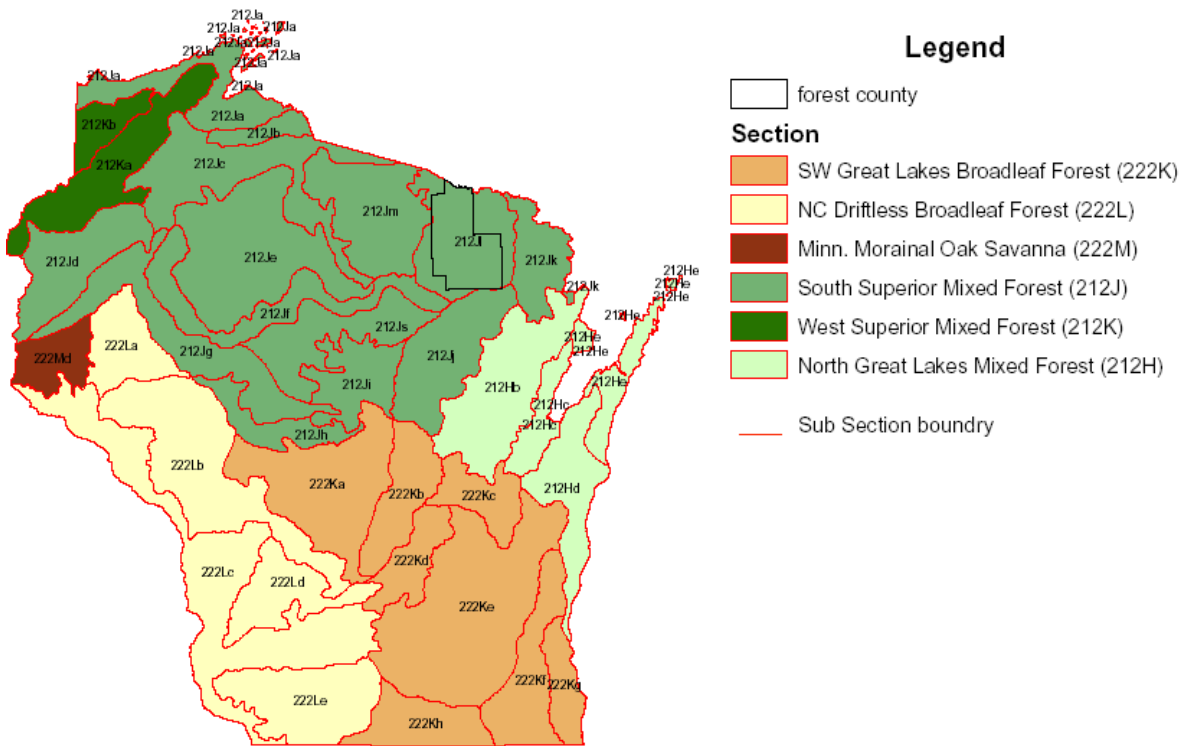
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## 900.5 FOREST COVER TYPES – DETAIL

			Percent of
	<u>Cover Type</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>County Forest</u>
<i>Forest Cover</i>	Northern Hardwood	5,476	51%
	Aspen	3,076	29%
	Swamp Conifer	590	5%
	Black Spruce	220	2%
	Swamp hardwood	155	1%
	Red Pine	148	1%
	Cedar	58	<1%
	Hemlock	55	<1%
	White Birch	43	<1%
	Fir-Spruce	34	<1%
	Tamarack	28	<1%
	Noncommercial Spruce	27	<1%
	White pine	16	<1%
<b>TOTAL FORESTED ACRES</b>		<b>9,883</b>	
<i>Non-Forest Cover</i>	Tag Alder	493	5%
	ROW	173	2%
	Herb Vegetation	50	<1%
	Non Commercial Grass	41	<1%
	Industrial	34	<1%
	Minor Lake	30	<1%
	Campground	17	<1%
	Muskeg Bog	12	<1%
	Emergent vegetation	7	<1%
	Upland Brush	7	<1%
	Parking	4	<1%
<b>TOTAL NON-FOREST ACRES:</b>		<b>868</b>	
<b><u>TOTAL PROPERTY ACRES:</u></b>		<b>10,751*</b>	

- Based on S659-02A report dated 2/16/2005
- Actual acres based on property description is 10848

**900.6 NATIONAL HIERARCHIAL  
FRAMEWORK OF ECOLOGICAL UNITS**



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## **900.6.1 LAND TYPE ASSOCIATION DESCRIPTIONS**

Forest County lies in subsection 212JI which is described as the Brule and Paint Rivers Drumlinized Ground Moraine. This subsection is further divided into the following land type associations (LTA's) which intercept the Forest County Forest:

### **212 JI01**

Major Soils: Silty mantled till

Geologic Deposit: Nashville member of the Copper Falls formation.

Major land forms: Drumlinized Ground Moraine. Exposures of igneous and metamorphic bedrock occur in a few locations.

Major Habitat types: AoCa

### **212JI02**

Major Soils: Loam and Silty mantled outwash.

Geologic Deposit: Nashville member of the Copper Falls formation.

Major land forms: Interdrumlin outwash plains with isolated drumlins.

Major Habitat types: ATM and AoCa

### **212JI04**

Major Soils: Silty and loamy mantled outwash

Geologic Deposit: Nashville member of the Copper Falls formation.

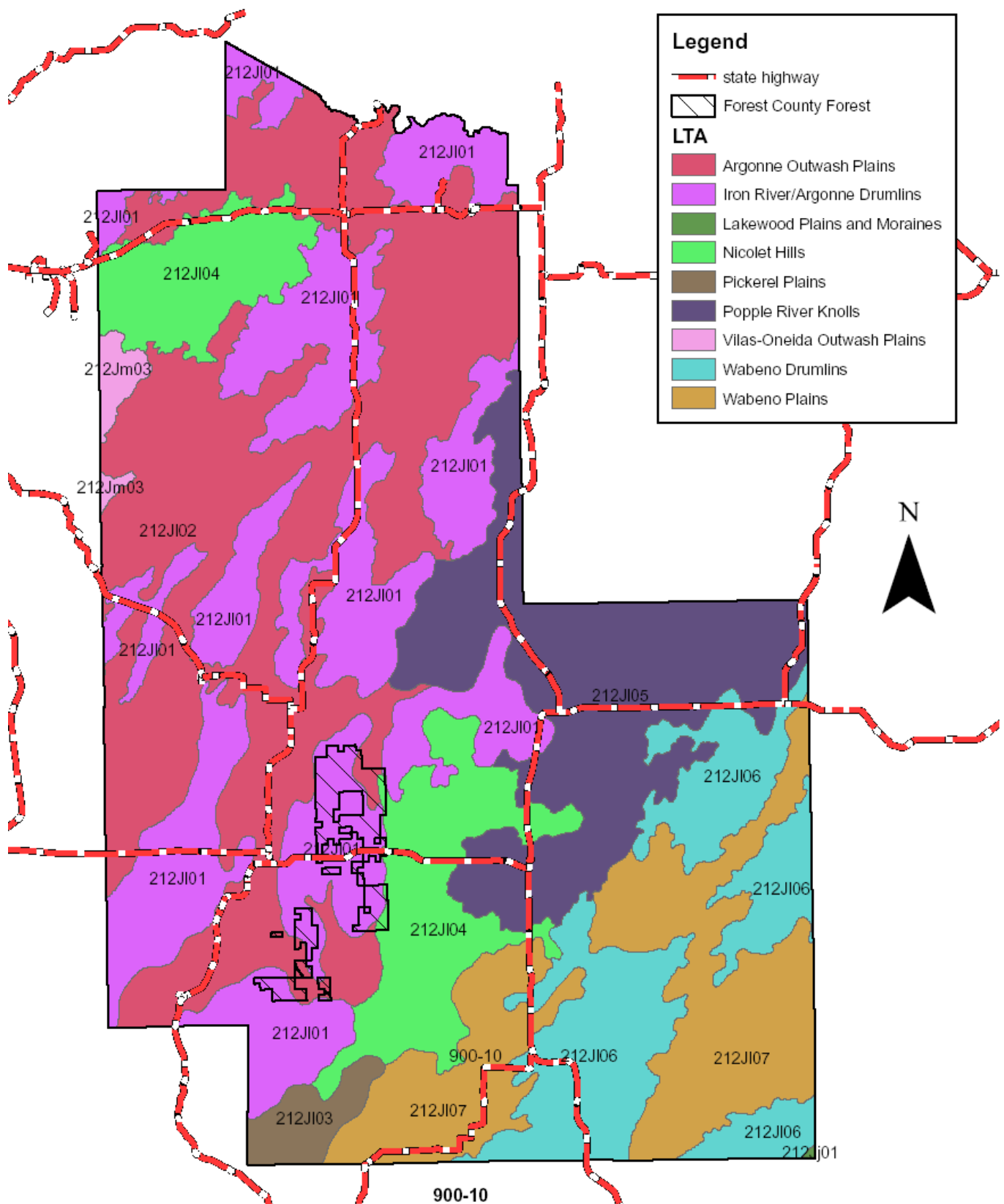
Major land forms: Steep collapsed outwash plains. Lakes are abundant.

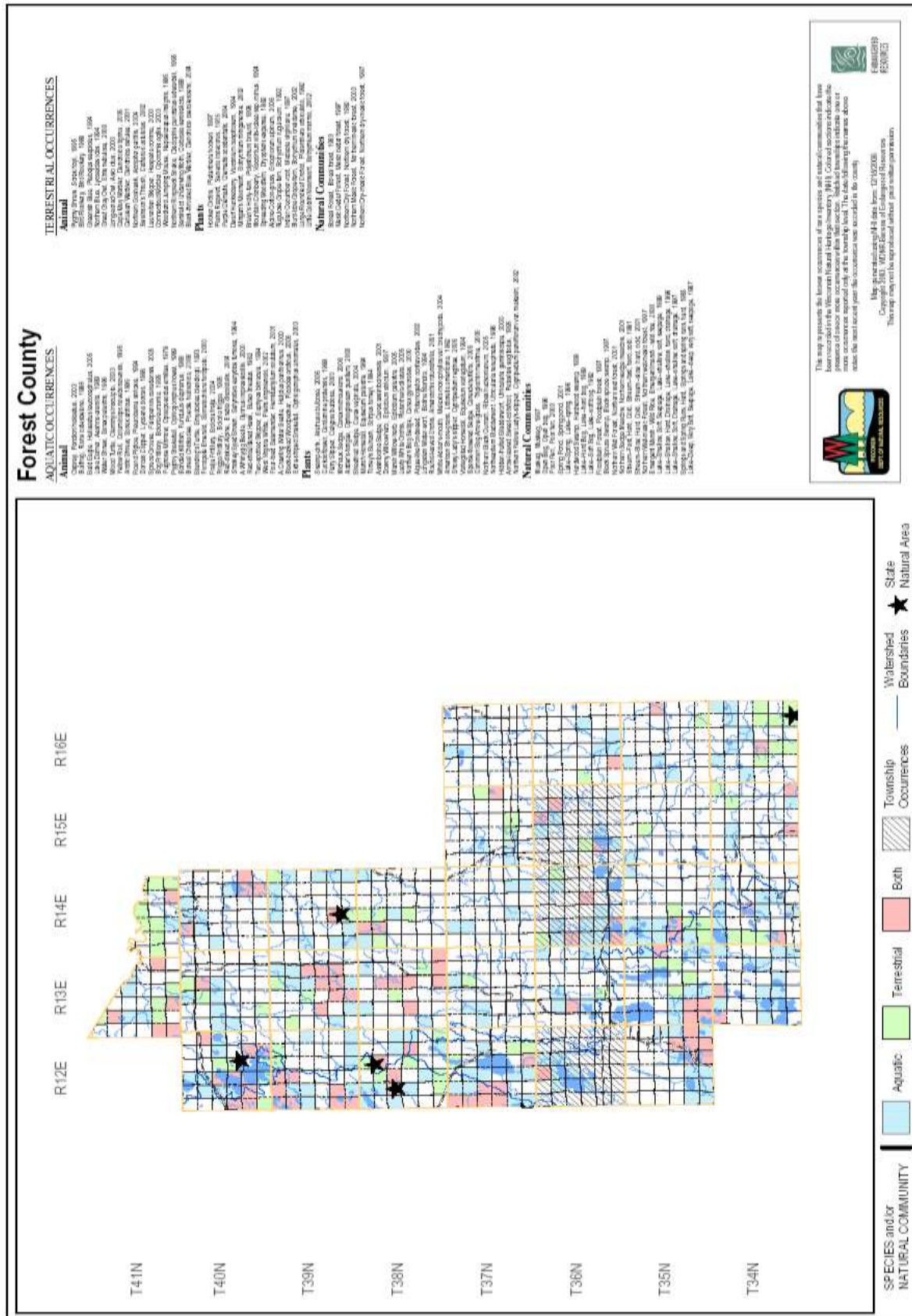
Major Habitat types: AoCa, ATM, PMV

The ecological distinction of these LTA's and the surrounding ownerships they intercept allows for analysis of these eco-communities on a landscape scale which will enhance future coordination of multi-ownership management as that process develops.



## 900.6.2 Land Type Associations (LTA'S)







## 900.7.1

## GENERAL ENDANGERED RESOURCE LISTING

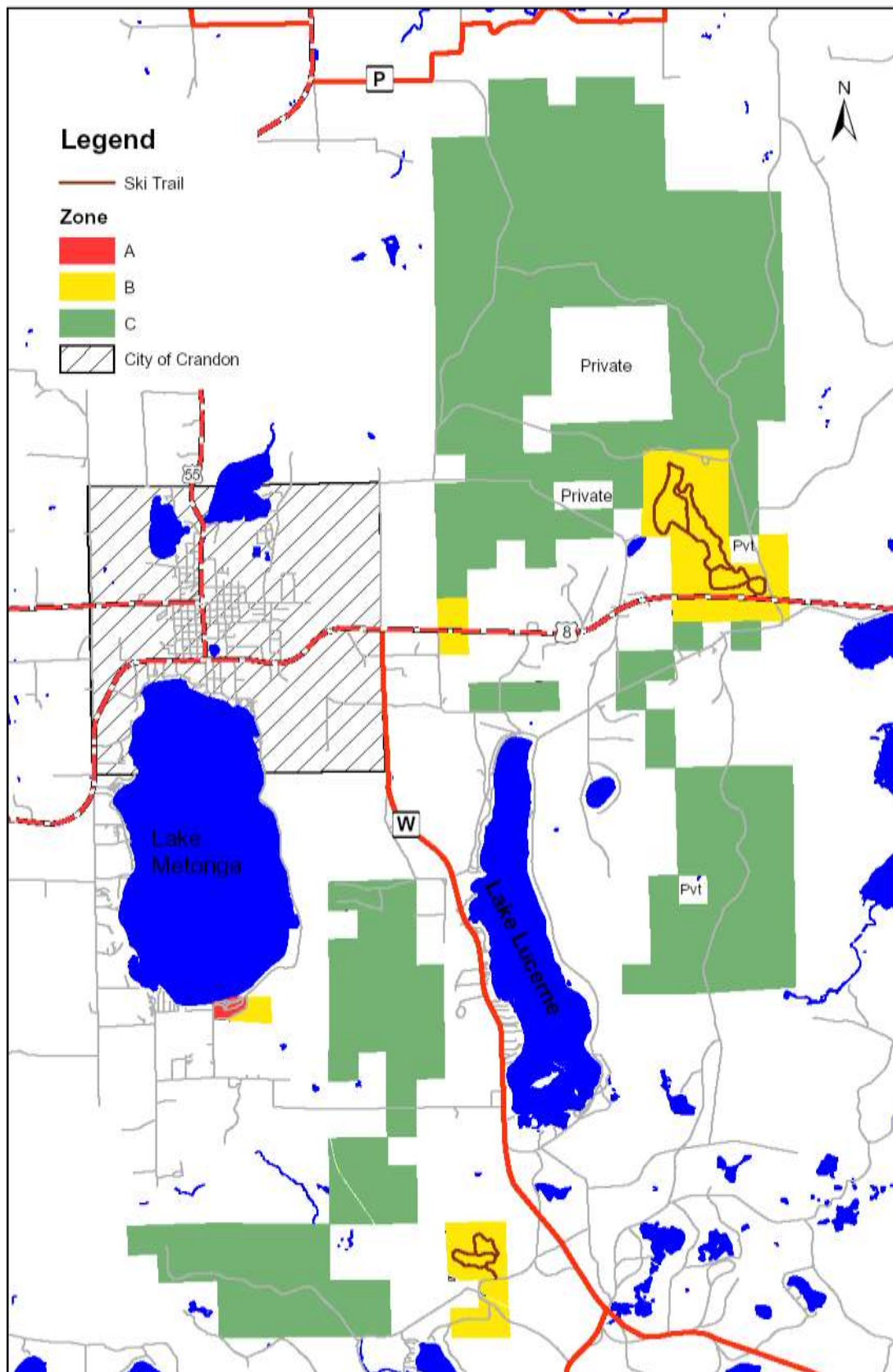
Scientific Name (Common Name)	EO Count	Last obs Year	State Rank	Global Rank	State Status	Fed. Status	Sensitive
<i>Special Concern Bird (Specific species name withheld)</i>	1	1998	S2B,S2N	G5	SC/M		S
Arethusa bulbosa (Swamp-pink)	3	2002	S3	G4	SC		
<i>Species Concentration Site (Specific species info. withheld)</i>	1	1992	SU	GNR	SC		S
Boloria eunomia (Bog Fritillary)	2	1995	S3	G5	SC/N		
Botaurus lentiginosus (American Bittern)	1	1994	S3B	G4	SC/M		
Botrychium mormo (Little Goblin Moonwort)	11	1997	S3	G3	END		
Botrychium oneidense (Blunt-lobe Grape-fern)	4	1994	S2	G4Q	SC		
Buteo lineatus (Red-shouldered Hawk)	2	1994	S3S4B	G5	THR		
Calypso bulbosa (Fairy Slipper)	3	1994	S3	G5	THR		
Carex assiniboinensis (Assiniboine Sedge)	3	1994	S3	G4G5	SC		
Carex gynocrates (Northern Bog Sedge)	3	1994	S3	G5	SC		
Carex tenuiflora (Sparse-flowered Sedge)	3	1994	S3	G5	SC		
Carex vaginata (Sheathed Sedge)	4	1994	S3	G5	SC		
Circus cyaneus (Northern Harrier)	1	1994	S3B	G5	SC/M		
Coturnicops noveboracensis (Yellow Rail)	1	1994	S1B	G4	THR		
Cypripedium parviflorum var. makasin (Northern Yellow Lady's-slipper)	1	2002	S3	G5T4Q	SC		
Cypripedium reginae (Showy Lady's-slipper)	1	1996	S3	G4	SC		
Diadophis punctatus edwardsii (Northern Ringneck Snake)	3	1995	S3?	G5T5	SC/H		
Elatine triandra (Longstem Water-wort)	1	1994	S1	G5	SC		
Emergent marsh - wild rice (Emergent Marsh - Wild Rice)	1	1996	S3	G3G4	NA		
Epilobium palustre (Marsh Willow-herb)	3	1997	S3	G5	SC		
Equisetum palustre (Marsh Horsetail)	1	1994	S2	G5	SC		
Equisetum variegatum (Variegated Horsetail)	1	1994	S3	G5	SC		
Erebia discoidalis (Red-disked Alpine)	1	1931	S2	G5	SC/N		
Falci pennis canadensis (Spruce Grouse)	1	2003	S1S2B	G5	THR		
Haliaeetus leucocephalus (Bald Eagle)	7	2002	S3B	G4	SC/FL	LT, PD	
Hardwood swamp (Hardwood Swamp)	1	1996	S3	G4	NA		
Hemidactylium scutatum (Four-toed Salamander)	3	2000	S3	G5	SC/H		
Hesperia comma (Laurentian Skipper)	3	1995	S3	G5	SC/N		
Lake--deep, very soft, seepage (Lake--Deep, Very Soft, Seepage)	1	1982	S3	GNR	NA		
Lake--shallow, hard, drainage (Lake--Shallow, Hard, Drainage)	1	1982	SU	GNR	NA		
Lake--shallow, soft, seepage (Lake--Shallow, Soft, Seepage)	1	1982	S4	GNR	NA		
Lycaena dorcas (Dorcas Copper)	2	1995	S3	G5	SC/N		
Lycaena epixanthe (Bog Copper)	4	1995	S3	G4G5	SC/N		
Napaeozapus insignis (Woodland Jumping Mouse)	7	1995	S2S3	G5	SC/N		
Northern dry-mesic forest (Northern Dry-mesic Forest)	1	1982	S3	G4	NA		
Northern mesic forest (Northern Mesic Forest)	3	1996	S4	G4	NA		
Northern sedge meadow (Northern Sedge Meadow)	1	1981	S3	G4	NA		
Northern wet forest (Northern Wet Forest)	4	1982	S4	G4	NA		
Northern wet-mesic forest (Northern Wet-mesic Forest)	4	1996	S3S4	G3?	NA		
Open bog (Open Bog)	1	1982	S4	G5	NA		

Scientific Name (Common Name)	EO Count	Lastobs Year	State Rank	Global Rank	State Status	Fed. Status	Sensitive
<i>Pandion haliaetus</i> (Osprey)	9	1992	S3S4B	G5	THR		
<i>Perisoreus canadensis</i> (Gray Jay)	1	1994	S3B	G5	SC/M		
<i>Petasites sagittatus</i> (Arrow-leaved Sweet-coltsfoot)	1	1995	S3	G5	THR		
<i>Phyciodes batesii</i> (Tawny Crescent Spot)	1	1994	S3	G4	SC/N		
<i>Picoides arcticus</i> (Black-backed Woodpecker)	1	1994	S2B	G5	SC/M		
<i>Pieris virginiensis</i> (West Virginia White)	6	1995	S3	G3G4	SC/N		
<i>Platanthera dilatata</i> (Leafy White Orchis)	1	1926	S3	G5	SC		
<i>Plebejus saepiolus</i> (Greenish Blue)	1	1994	S2	G5	SC/N		
<i>Pleurobema sintoxia</i> (Round Pigtoe)	1	1994	S3	G4	SC/H		
<i>Potamogeton confervoides</i> (Algae-like Pondweed)	1	1994	S2	G4	THR		
<i>Ranunculus gmelinii</i> (Small Yellow Water Crowfoot)	1	1994	S2	G5	END		
<i>Ribes hudsonianum</i> (Northern Black Currant)	7	1997	S3	G5	SC		
<i>Satyroides eurydice fumosa</i> (Smokey Eyed Brown)	5	1994	S2	G5T3T4	SC/N		
<i>Scirpus torreyi</i> (Torrey's Bulrush)	3	1994	S2	G5?	SC		
<i>Sorex arcticus</i> (Arctic Shrew)	8	1995	S2	G5	SC/N		
<i>Sorex hoyi</i> (Pigmy Shrew)	9	1995	S3	G5	SC/N		
<i>Sorex palustris</i> (Water Shrew)	4	1995	S2	G5	SC/N		
Spring pond (Spring Pond)	3	1989	S3	GNR	NA		
Stream--fast, hard, cold (Stream--Fast, Hard, Cold)	1	1981	S4	GNR	NA		
Stream--slow, hard, cold (Stream--Slow, Hard, Cold)	2	1981	SU	GNR	NA		
<i>Strix nebulosa</i> (Great Gray Owl)	1	1995	S1B	G5	SC/M		
<i>Stylogomphus albistylus</i> (Least Clubtail)	2	1994	S3	G5	SC/N		
<i>Stylurus scudderii</i> (Zebra Clubtail)	1	1994	S3	G4	SC/N		
<i>Utricularia resupinata</i> (Northeastern Bladderwort)	2	1994	S3	G4	SC		
<i>Vaccinium vitis-idaea</i> ssp. minus (Mountain Cranberry)	1	1994	S1	G5T5	END		

## 900.8 GYPSY MOTH SUPPRESSION MAP

No known gypsy moth suppression areas at this time

## 900.9 MAP OF AESTHETIC MANAGEMENT ZONES



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## LAWS AND ORDINANCES

### 905.1 COUNTY FOREST LAW (s. 28.11, Wis. Stats) \*

#### **28.11 Administration of county forests.**

**(1) Purpose.** The purpose of this section is to provide the basis for a permanent program of county forests and to enable and encourage the planned development and management of the county forests for optimum production of forest products together with recreational opportunities, wildlife, watershed protection and stabilization of stream flow, giving full recognition to the concept of multiple-use to assure maximum public benefits; to protect the public rights, interests and investments in such lands; and to compensate the counties for the public uses, benefits and privileges these lands provide; all in a manner which will provide a reasonable revenue to the towns in which such lands lie.

**(2) Defined.** "County forests" include all county lands entered under and participating under ch. 77 on October 2, 1963, and all county lands designated as county forests by the county board or the forestry committee and entered under the county forest law and designated as "county forest lands" or "county special-use lands" as hereinafter provided.

**(3) Powers of county board.** The county board of any such county may:

(a) Enact an ordinance designating a committee to have charge of the county forests and specifying the powers, duties, procedures and functions of such committee. The members of such committee shall be appointed pursuant to s. 59.13 and may include well-qualified residents of the county who are not members of the county board.

(b) Establish regulations for the use of the county forests by the public and to provide penalties for their enforcement.

(c) Appropriate funds for the purchase, development, protection and maintenance of such forests and to exchange other county-owned lands for the purpose of consolidating and blocking county forest holdings.

(d) Enter into cooperative agreements with the department for protection of county forests from fire.

(e) Establish aesthetic management zones along roads and waters and enter into long-term cooperative leases and agreements with the department and other state agencies or federal agencies for the use of the county forests for natural resources research.

(f) Establish transplant nurseries for growing seedlings, from the state forest nurseries, to larger size for planting in county forests, but no ornamental or landscape stock shall be produced in such nurseries.

(g) Establish forest plantations and engage in silviculture, forest management and timber sales.

(h) Engage in other projects designed to achieve optimum development of the forest.

(i) Enter into leases or agreements, for terms not exceeding 10 years, to explore and prospect for ore, minerals, gas or oil upon any county forest lands. These leases or agreements shall contain proper covenants to safeguard the public interests in the lands involved and to guard against trespass and waste. The county board shall require proper security to ensure that the person engaged in exploration or prospecting fully informs the county of every discovery of ore, minerals, gas or oil and restores the land surface to an acceptable condition and value if no discovery of valuable deposit is made or if county forest lands are not withdrawn from entry under this section. Before a lease or agreement under this paragraph is effective, approval of the lease or agreement by the department is required. If the department finds that the proposed lease or agreement fully complies with the law and contains the proper safeguards, it shall approve the lease or agreement.

(j) Enter into leases for the extraction of valuable deposits of ore, minerals, gas or oil upon any county forest land. If the extraction can be accomplished without permanently affecting the surface of the land, extraction leases may be entered into and extraction may occur while the land remains county forest lands. If the extraction cannot be accomplished without permanently affecting the surface of the land, extraction may not commence until the land is withdrawn as county forest land. Before an extraction lease under this paragraph is effective, approval of the lease by the department is required.

(k) Establish energy conservation projects which permit individual members of the public to remove up to 10 standard cords of wood without charge from county forest lands for individual home heating purposes. The county board shall limit removal of wood for energy conservation projects to wood that is unsuitable for commercial sale. The county board may require a permit to remove wood for energy conservation projects and may charge a fee for the permit to administer projects established under this paragraph. A county board shall restrict participation in projects established under this paragraph to residents, as defined under s. 29.001 (69), but may not restrict participation to residents of the county.

**(4) Entry of county forest lands.**

(a) A county may file with the department an application for entry of county-owned land under this section. Such application shall include the description of the land and a statement of the purposes for which the lands are best suited. Upon the filing of such application the department shall investigate the same and it may conduct a public hearing thereon if it deems it advisable to do so at such time and place as it sees fit.

(b) If after such investigation the department finds that the lands constitute a well blocked county forest unit or that they block in with other established county forest lands and are otherwise suitable for the purposes of this section it shall make an order of entry designating such lands as county forest lands. All county lands entered under and participating under ch. 77 on October 2, 1963 shall be designated "county forest lands" without further order of entry.

(c) If the department finds that the lands are not suited primarily for timber production and do not otherwise qualify for entry under par. (b) but that they are suitable for scenic, outdoor recreation, public hunting and fishing, water conservation and other multiple-use purposes it shall make an order of entry designating such lands as "county special-use lands".

(d) A copy of the order of entry shall be filed with the county clerk and the county forestry committee, and the order shall also be recorded with the register of deeds.

(e) From and after the filing of such order of entry, the lands therein described shall be "county forest lands" or "county special-use lands", as the case may be, and shall so remain until withdrawn as hereinafter provided.

(f) The department may construct and use forest fire lookout towers, telephone lines and fire lanes or other forest protection structures on any lands entered under this section and the county clerk of such county shall execute any easement on or over such lands which the department may require for forest protection. The general public shall enjoy the privilege of entering such lands for the purpose of hunting, fishing, trapping and other recreation pursuits subject to such regulation and restrictions as may be established by lawful authority.

**(5) Management**

(a) A comprehensive county forest land use plan shall be prepared for a 10-year period by the county forestry committee with the assistance of technical personnel from the department and other interested agencies, and shall be approved by the county board and the department. The plan shall include land use designations, land acquisition, forest protection, annual allowable timber harvests, recreational developments, fish and wildlife management activities, roads, silvicultural operations and operating policies and procedures; it shall include a complete inventory of the county forest and shall be documented with maps, records and priorities showing in detail the various projects to be undertaken during the plan period. The plan may include an application for aids under s. 23.09 (17m). The application will be considered an annual application for these aids during the 10-year period of the plan. The initial plan shall be completed within 2 years from October 2, 1963 and may be revised as changing conditions require and shall be revised upon expiration of the plan period.

(b) An annual work plan and budget based upon the comprehensive plan shall be prepared by the county forestry committee with the assistance of a forester of the department. The plan shall include a schedule of compartments to be harvested and a listing by location of management projects for the forthcoming year. In addition the plan shall include other multiple-use projects where appropriate. A budget, listing estimated expenditures for work projects, administration and protection of the forest, shall accompany the annual plan both to be submitted to the county board for approval at the November meeting.

**(5m) Grants for county forest administrators.**

(a) The department may make grants, from the appropriation unders. 20.370 (5) (bw), to counties having lands entered undersub. (4) to fund all of the following for one professional forester in the position of county forest administrator or assistant county forest administrator:

1. Up to 50% of the forester's salary.
2. Up to 50% of the forester's fringe benefits, except that the fringe benefits may not exceed 40% of the forester's salary.

(b) The department may not make a grant under this subsection for a year for which the department has not approved the annual work plan that was approved by the county board under sub. (5) (b). The department may not base the amount of a county's grant on the acreage of the county's forest land.

**(5r) Sustainable forestry grants.**



(a) In this subsection, "sustainable forestry" has the meaning given in s. 28.04 (1) (e).

(b) The department may make grants, from the appropriation under s. 20.370 (5) (bw), to counties having lands entered under sub. (4) to fund the cost of activities designed to improve sustainable forestry on the lands.

**(6) Timber sales and cultural cuttings.**

(a) *Limitations.* The county forestry committee is authorized to sell merchantable timber designated in timber sale contracts and products removed in cultural or salvage cuttings. No timber sale contract is required for wood removed undersub. (3) (k). All timber sales shall be based on tree scale or on the scale, measure or count of the cut products; the Scribner Decimal C log rule shall be used in log scaling. All cuttings shall be limited to trees marked or designated for cutting by qualified personnel recognized as such by the department.

(b) *Procedures.*

1. Any timber sale with an estimated value of \$3,000 or more shall be by sealed bid or public sale after publication of a classified advertisement announcing the sale in a newspaper having general circulation in the county in which the timber to be sold is located. Any timber sale with an estimated value below \$3,000 may be made without prior advertising. Any timber sale with an estimated value of \$3,000 or more requires approval of the secretary.

2. Timber sales shall be subject to presale appraisals by qualified personnel recognized as such by the department to establish minimum sales value. Appraisal methods and procedures shall be approved by the department.

3. No merchantable wood products may be cut on any lands entered under this section unless a cutting notice on forms furnished by the department is filed with and approved by the department. Any unauthorized cutting shall render the county liable to the state in an amount equal to double the stumpage value of the cut products which amount shall be paid by the county to the state. If the county does not pay the amount of such penalty to the state, the department may withhold such amount from future state contributions to the county.

4. Within 90 days after completion of any cutting operation, including timber trespass, but not more than 2 years after filing the cutting notice, the county shall transmit to the department on forms furnished by the department, a report of merchantable wood products cut. The department may conduct any investigations on timber cutting operations that it considers to be advisable, including the holding of public hearings on the timber cutting operations, and may assess severance share payments accordingly.

**(7) County forest credit.** The department shall set up an account for each county showing the lands entered; the sums previously paid under s. 28.14, 1961 stats.; the sums hereafter paid under this section; the sums previously received in the form of four-fifths severance tax collected pursuant to s. 77.06 (5), 1961 stats.; the sums received as forestry fund severance share under this section; and the sums previously reimbursed to the state on withdrawn lands pursuant to s. 28.12 (4), 1961 stats. Whenever the forestry fund account of any county shows an overpayment of such severance tax or severance share as of June 30 of any year, the department shall return such overpayment to the county. All severance taxes previously paid by any county and deposited in the general fund shall be credited to the forestry fund account of the county. If such credit exceeds the balance due to the forestry fund account from such county, the overpayment shall be credited to the county and applied in lieu of future severance shares due to the state until the county account is balanced.

**(8) State contribution.**

(a) *Acreage payments.* As soon after April 20 of each year as feasible, the department shall pay to each town treasurer 30 cents per acre, based on the acreage of such lands as of the preceding June 30, as a grant out of the appropriation made by s. 20.370 (5) (bv) on each acre of county lands entered under this section.

(b) *Forestry fund account.*

1. A county having established and maintaining a county forest under this section is eligible to receive from the state from the appropriations under s. 20.370 (5) (bq) and (bs) an annual payment as a noninterest bearing loan to be used for the purchase, development, preservation and maintenance of the county forest lands and the payment shall be credited to a county account to be known as the county forestry aid fund. A county board may, by a resolution adopted during the year and transmitted to the department by December 31, request to receive a payment of not more than 50 cents for each acre of land entered and designated as "county forest land". The department shall review the request and approve the request if the request is found to be consistent with the comprehensive county forest land use plan. If any lands purchased from the fund are sold, the county shall restore the purchase price to the county forestry aid fund. The department shall pay to the county the amount due to it on

or before March 31 of each year, based on the acreage of the lands as of the preceding June 30. If the amounts in the appropriations under s. 20.370 (5) (bq) and (bs) are not sufficient to pay all of the amounts approved by the department under this subdivision, the department shall pay eligible counties on a prorated basis.

2. The department may allot additional interest free forestry aid loans on a project basis to individual counties to permit the counties to undertake meritorious and economically productive forestry operations, including land acquisitions. These additional aids may not be used for the construction of recreational facilities or for fish and game management projects. Application shall be made in the manner and on forms prescribed by the department and specify the purpose for which the additional aids will be used. The department shall make an investigation as it deems necessary to satisfy itself that the project is feasible, desirable and consistent with the comprehensive plan. If the department so finds, it may make allotments in such amounts as it determines to be reasonable and proper and charge the allotments to the forestry fund account of the county. These allotments shall be credited by the county to the county forestry aid fund. After determining the loans as required under subd. 1., the department shall make the remainder of the amounts appropriated under s. 20.370 (5) (bq) and (bs) for that fiscal year available for loans under this subdivision. The department shall also make loans under this subdivision from the appropriations under s. 20.370 (5) (bt) and (bu).

3. All payments made under this paragraph shall be known as the "forestry fund account".

#### **(9) County forest severance share.**

(a) Except as provided under pars. (b) and (c), on timber cut from lands entered as "county forest lands" the county shall pay a severance share of not less than 20% of the actual stumpage sales value of the timber. A higher rate of payment may be applied when agreed upon by the department and the county. When cutting is done by the county and timber is not sold or is sold as cut forest products the severance share shall be 20% of the severance tax schedule in effect under s. 77.06 (2).

(ag) The severance share paid by a county to the state shall be credited to the forestry fund account of the county and shall be divided into 2 payments as follows:

1. An acreage loan severance share payment that is equal to the product of multiplying the amount of the severance share paid by the county by the percentage of the balance due in the forestry fund account of the county that is attributable to loans made under sub. (8) (b) 1.
2. A project loan severance share payment that is equal to the product of multiplying the amount of the severance share paid by the county by the percentage of the balance due that is attributable to loans made under sub. (8) (b) 2.

(am) The acreage loan severance share payments shall be deposited in the conservation fund and credited to the appropriation under s. 20.370 (5) (bq), and the project loan severance share payments shall be deposited in the conservation fund and credited to the appropriation under s. 20.370 (5) (bu).

(ar) Notwithstanding s. 20.001 (3) (c), if the sum of the unencumbered balances in the appropriations under s. 20.370 (5) (bq), (bt) and (bu) exceeds \$400,000 on June 30 of any fiscal year, the amount in excess of \$400,000 shall lapse from the appropriation under s. 20.370 (5) (bq) to the conservation fund, except as provided in subd. 2.

2. Notwithstanding s. 20.001 (3) (c), if the amount in the appropriation under s. 20.370 (5) (bq) is insufficient for the amount that must lapse under subd. 1., the remainder that is necessary for the lapse shall lapse from the appropriation under s. 20.370 (5) (bu).

(b) No severance share payment is required if there is no balance due in the forestry fund account of the county. A severance share payment shall not exceed the balance due in the forestry fund account of the county.

(c) No severance share payment is required for wood removed from county forest lands for energy conservation projects established under sub. (3) (k).

(d) Of the gross receipts from all timber sales on the county forests 10% shall be paid annually by the county to the towns having county forest lands on the basis of acreage of such lands in the towns.

#### **(11) Withdrawals.**

(a) 1. The county board may by resolution adopted by not less than two-thirds of its membership make application to the department to withdraw lands entered under this section. The county board shall first refer the resolution to the county forestry committee, which shall consult with an authorized representative of the department in formulating its withdrawal proposal. The county board shall not take final action on the application until 90 days after referral of the application to the

forestry committee or until the report of the forestry committee regarding the application has been filed with the board. The application shall include the land description, a statement of the reasons for withdrawal, and any restrictions or other conditions of use attached to the land proposed for withdrawal.

2. Upon the filing of an application to withdraw lands under subd. 1., the department shall investigate the application. During the course of its investigation the department shall make an examination of the character of the land, the volume of timber, improvements, and any other special values. In the case of withdrawal for the purpose of sale to any purchaser other than the state or a local unit of government, the department shall establish a minimum value on the lands to be withdrawn. In making its investigation the department shall give full weight and consideration to the purposes and principles set forth in sub. (1), and it shall also weigh and consider the benefits to the people of the state as a whole, as well as to the county, from the proposed use against the benefits accruing to the people of the state as a whole and to the county under the continued entry of the lands to be withdrawn. The department may conduct a public hearing on the application, if it considers it advisable, at a time and place that it determines, except that if the county requests a public hearing in writing, the department shall hold a public hearing.

3. If the department finds that the benefits after withdrawal of the lands described in the application under subd. 2. outweigh the benefits under continued entry of the lands and that the lands will be put to a better and higher use, it shall make an order withdrawing the lands from entry; otherwise it shall deny the application.

4. If the application is denied, the county board may, by resolution adopted by not less than two-thirds of its membership, appeal to a review committee. The department shall submit the findings of its investigation and of any hearing on a proposed withdrawal to the committee, which shall be composed of the following members:

- a. One member appointed by the county board submitting the application for withdrawal.
- b. One member who is appointed by the governor, who is from another county that has land enrolled under the county forest law, and who shall be chairperson of the review committee.
- c. One member appointed by the department.
- d. One member appointed by the University of Wisconsin from the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences.
- e. One member to be selected by unanimous vote of the appointed members or, if the appointed members fail to achieve unanimity, by the governor.

5. The review committee appointed under subd. 4. shall, by majority vote within 60 days after receiving the findings of the department, do one of the following:

- a. Approve the application for withdrawal if it finds the proposed use to be of a greater benefit considering all losses and benefits to the people of the state as a whole, as well as to the people of the county.
- b. Provisionally deny the application for withdrawal giving specific reasons why it finds the proposal deficient and making any suggestions for revising the application to reduce the conflict of the proposed use with the public interest.

6. If the committee approves a withdrawal under subd. 5., it shall notify the county board of its approval stating, as necessary, specific procedures to be followed by the county relating to the withdrawal. The county board may then by a resolution approved by not less than two-thirds of its membership, withdraw the lands from the county forest law and shall send copies of this resolution to the department and to the county register of deeds who shall record the resolution.

7. If the committee provisionally denies the proposed withdrawal under subd. 5., it may consider an amended application for withdrawal upon presentation of the application and supporting information, or it may require additional investigation of the amended application by the department before reconsidering the application. Any additional investigation shall include additional public hearings if requested by the county, the department, or the committee.

(b) If the application is approved the county shall reimburse the state the amounts previously paid to the county pursuant to sub. (8) (b) which reimbursement shall be credited to the county forestry fund account; except that the department may waive all or part of such reimbursement if it finds that the lands are withdrawn for a higher public use or that the amount of such reimbursement is unreasonable when compared to the value of the land. If the department has waived any portion of such reimbursement and if at any subsequent time the land ceases to be used for the purpose designated in the application for withdrawal, the full amount of reimbursement due the forestry fund account on the lands withdrawn shall immediately become due and payable to the department and shall be credited to the forestry fund account, unless the department finds and determines that the lands will continue to be put to another higher public use in which case payments of such reimbursement may be deferred by the department so long as the lands are devoted to a higher public use. If payment is not made prior to the time of the next forestry aid payment to the county, forestry aid payments in an amount to be determined by the department shall be withheld until the amount due the forestry fund account is reimbursed.

**(12) Enforcement.** If at any time it appears to the department that the lands are not being managed in accordance with this section it shall so advise the county forestry committee and the county clerk. If the condition persists the department may



proceed against the persons responsible for such noncompliance under s. 30.03 (4).

**(13) Review.** All orders of the department made under this section may be reviewed under ss. 227.52 to 227.58.

**History:** 1971 c. 215; 1975 c. 39 s. 734; 1975 c. 342; 1977 c. 29; 1979 c. 34 ss. 723 to 725, 2102 (39) (a); 1983 a. 27; 1983 a. 192 s. 304; 1983 a. 424 ss. 2 to 5; 1985 a. 29 ss. 655ce to 655cg, 3202 (39); 1985 a. 182 s. 57; 1987 a. 27; 1989 a. 31, 79; 1993 a. 16, 184, 301; 1995 a. 27, 201; 1997 a. 237, 248; 1999 a. 9; 2001 a. 16, 103.

**Cross Reference:** See also ch. NR 48 and ss. NR 1.24, 47.60, and 302.03, Wis. adm. code.

*A county forest withdrawal appeal review committee under sub. (11) (a) is not state agency whose decisions are reviewable under ch. 227. Allen v. Juneau County, 98 Wis. 2d 103, 295 N.W.2d 218 (Ct. App. 1980).*

*County boards cannot sell or exchange county forest lands without first withdrawing them from the county forest program under sub. (11). 66 Atty. Gen. 109.*

## **905.2 COUNTY ORDINANCES**

### **905.2.1 County Forestry Ordinance \***

An ordinance prescribing rules and regulations for the administration of county powers and duties as provided in sections 59.98, 77.13 and 28.15 Wisconsin Statutes.

The County Board of Supervisors of Forest County do ordain as follows:

**WHEREAS**, Forest County has by County Board Resolution compiled with the procedure prescribed in sub-section (1) of section 59.98, Wisconsin Statutes and

**WHEREAS**, under the provision of section 59.98, Wisconsin Statutes, and particularly subsections (2) and (3) thereof, the County Board of Forest County is granted specific powers relative to the establishment, management, protection and extension of county forest reserves and to cooperate with the Conservation Commission as may be necessary and proper to carry out the purposes of said section 59.98, Wisconsin Statutes; and

**WHEREAS**, under the provisions of section 28.15, Wisconsin Statutes, the County Board of Forest County, for the purpose of blocking out County owned forest lands, is authorized to exchange any of such lands for other lands adapted to forestry purposes whether publicly or privately owned; and

**WHEREAS**, the County Board is authorized to enter lands under the Forest Crop law, pursuant to section 77.13, now therefore

#### **Section I. Designation of County Forest Reserves**

Determination is hereby made that, for the purpose of proper and complete identification of all lands which are a part of a duly constituted county forestry reserve, such forest reserve boundaries for each and every forest reserve shall be designated by a resolution of the County Board, and such boundaries shall be designated on an official county forestry map.

#### **Section II.**

The Forestry and Conservation Committee of the County Board is hereby designated to administer the county forests and is the committee hereinafter referred to.

#### **Section III. Powers and Duties of The Forestry and Conservation Committee**

The Committee shall have the power and it shall be the duty of the Committee to:

1. Recommend to the County Board any changes in the boundaries of County forests, but no new forests or additions to existing forests shall be authorized until the County shall own fifty (50%) per cent of the acreage therein.
2. Certify to the County Board one month prior to the November meeting of the County board each year the description of all lands acquired during the year and suitable for entry under the Forest Crop law.
3. Cooperate with the Wisconsin Conservation Department in preparing a budget for county forest administration, capital and direct expenditures of forestry funds advance by the Conservation Department under sub-section (5) of section 59.98 of the Wisconsin Statutes; together with the revenues accruing to the County under this ordinance; and present said budget to the County Board for adoption.
4. Locate survey lines and corners on the boundary of, or within, County forest and appropriately post said boundaries.
5. Administer rules and regulation governing the recreational use of the County forests and hereinafter prescribed.
6. Dispose of dead, unsound, or inferior material cut in connection with forest improvement work as hereinafter prescribed.
7. Regulate the disposal of slash.
8. Recommend and submit to the County Board for approval exchanges of land with public and private agencies for purpose of blocking pursuant to section 28.15 of the Statutes.
9. Prepare and present an annual report of its activities to the County Board at the November meeting each year.
10. Designate such administrative officer as its agent and employ such competent surveyor and such other agents as may be necessary to direct, perform and enforce the administrative functions of this ordinance, by and with the approval of the County Board.

## **SECTION IV. Forest Crop Law Administration and Land Sales**

Upon certification of Lands for entry under the Forest Crop law by the Committee, the County Clerk shall proceed to fill out the prescribed forms for each description of land to be entered as required by the Conservation Commission, within the date limits prescribed by the Conservation Commission, for each year's application. Applications to enter lands under the Forest Crop law require the signatures of the County Clerk and the Chairman of the County Board.

The sale of any description of county lands within county forests, whether entered as forest crop land or not is hereby made subject to the recommendations of the Committee, and subsequent authorization by resolution of the County Board. The authority of the Committee of the County Board having charge of the sale of lands is hereby limited to lands lying outside the boundaries of duly established County forests. Notice of withdrawal of lands entered under the Forest Crop Law shall not be filed with the Conservation Commission except on the recommendation of the Committee and authorization

by resolution of the County Board, except that withdrawal of lands entered in error may be made by the County Clerk and the Chairman of the Committee without County Board action.

## **Section V. County Forest Use Regulations**

### **A. RECREATIONAL USE.**

1. The committee may designate suitable areas for camp sites and picnic grounds and is authorized to provide needed conveniences including wells, and sanitary facilities. Such areas shall be for public use without charge.

### **B. IMPROVEMENT CUTTINGS AND TIMBER SALES.**

#### **C.**

1. All cutting operations within a county forest shall be deemed to fall within one of two classifications:
  - (1) Improvement cuttings, in which dead, unsound, deformed, suppressed or inferior species of trees may be cut for the primary objective of promoting improved forest growth; or
  - (2) Timber cutting operations, in which the primary objective of the cutting is the marketing of the timber growth for commercial products, including lumber, ties, poles, posts, pulpwood, veneer logs, piling or any size of log or bolts intended for further manufacture.
2. Improvement cutting operations on County forests shall be recommended by the Committee, approved by the County Board, and submitted to the Conservation Commission for approval, as provided in paragraph (6) of Section 59.98, Wisconsin Statutes, before cutting shall be authorized. The committee shall require sealed bids on the purchase of timber in all cases where the stumpage value of the timber to be cut is in excess of \$100.00. All timber sales shall be made on the basis of the scale, measure or count of cut forest products as reported by a scaler acceptable to the Committee. On extended operations payment shall be made monthly and final payment shall be made in all cases within 30 days after removal of the cut products. The Committee may require or waive a bond before approving any sales contract.

## **Section VI. Trespass Enforcement**

1. Civil Action:  
Whenever evidence of trespass cutting on lands on which Forest County holds a tax certificate or a tax deed shall be lodged with the District Attorney, he shall bring suit to recover damages under subsection (2) of section 74.44 of the Statutes.
2. Criminal Action:  
In case such cutting is willful, criminal action under the same subsection shall be brought by the District Attorney on reasonable evidence.
3. Seizure:  
Whenever forest products are found, known to have been cut in trespass from county lands, the Sheriff shall on satisfactory evidence seize such materials and sell them for the account of the County Treasurer or remove them for the use of any county institution as the committee shall direct.
4. Cooperation:  
It shall be the duty of the committee or its appointed administrative agent to secure information and to get the cooperation of county officials and town officials in securing information to be presented to the district attorney for action for forest trespass. The District Attorney shall be at the November meeting of the County Board, make a report of all cases of trespass cutting on county owned or tax delinquent land where information was filed with him, together with a statement of action brought by him and the result of such action.

## **Section VII. Regulations In The Public Use of County Forests**

The following regulations shall be in effect on all County owned lands within County forests.

1. All dumping of rubbish is forbidden.
2. Campers and picnickers must leave grounds in orderly and sanitary condition. All refuse must be burned, buried or placed in receptacles provided for that purpose.
3. No trees or shrubs shall be cut, dug up, removed or mutilated.
4. Destruction or damage of improvements is prohibited.

Any person violating any provisions of this section shall be subject to a fine not exceeding \$25.00 or imprisonment in the county jail for not more than thirty (30) days.

## **Section VIII. Amendment**

*Any amendment to this ordinance shall be laid over to the next meeting and published before final adoption.*

## **Section IX.**

*All resolutions of this Board previously enacted, which are in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance, are hereby rescinded.*

## **Section X.**

*This ordinance upon passage and publication, shall become effective.*

**Moved by Staska, seconded by Bradley. All aye, except Penasa.  
November 12, 1965**

**905.2.2 County ATV Ordinance \***

Forest County currently does not have an ATV ordinance.

**905.2.3 Shoreland Zoning Ordinance**

The shoreland zoning ordinance is available from the Forest County Zoning office or on the internet at *<http://www.co.forest.wi.gov>*.

## **905.2.4 County Park**

ORDINANCE NO. 0-84-3

WHEREAS, the Forest Crop Committee has the obligation of regulating the occupancy and use of developed recreational sites within the County Veteran's Memorial Park which is located on Lake Metonga near Crandon, Wisconsin, and

WHEREAS, the Forest Crop Committee determined at its meeting of August 9, 1984 that it was necessary and desirable that an ordinance be adopted regulating the use and occupancy of developed recreational sites at the County Veteran's Memorial Park to prohibit certain activities from taking place therein, and

WHEREAS, the Forest Crop Committee has determined that the passing of such an ordinance is necessary to protect the health, safety, and welfare of those persons engaging in recreational activities as well as to protect county lands, buildings, and structures. **THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF FOREST DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

### Section 1: SANITATION – PROHIBITED ACTS

1. Depositing in any toilet, toilet vault, or plumbing fixture, any bottle, can, cloth, rag, metal, wood, stone, flammable liquid or other substance which could damage or interfere with the operation or maintenance of the fixture.
2. Possessing or leaving refuse, debris or litter in an exposed or unsanitary condition.
3. Placing in or near a stream, lake or other water any substance which does or may pollute a stream, lake or other water.
4. Failing to dispose of all garbage, including any paper, can, bottle, sewage, waste or material, or rubbish either by removal from the site or area, or by depositing it into receptacles or at places provided for such purposes.
5. Dumping or leaving in a refuse container, dump, or similar facility, refuse, debris, or litter brought as such from private property.
6. Cleaning or washing any personal property, fish, animal, or food at a hydrant or at a water faucet not provided for that purpose.
7. Depositing any body waste except into receptacles provided for that purpose.

### Section 2: OPERATION OF MOTOR VEHICLES – PROHIBITED ACTS

1. Placing a vehicle or other object in such that it is an impediment or hazard to the safety or convenience of any person.
2. Failing to stop a vehicle when directed to do so by a Park Manager or County officer.
3. Blocking, restricting, or otherwise interfering with the use of a road, trail or gate.
4. Operating or parking a motor vehicle or trailer except in places developed for this purpose.
5. Operating a motor bike, motorcycle, or other motor vehicle for any purpose other than entering or leaving the site.
6. Operating a vehicle in violation of posted speed limitation.
7. Operating a vehicle carelessly, recklessly, or without regard for the safety of any person, or in a manner that endangers or is likely to endanger any person or property.
8. Parking or leaving a vehicle outside a parking space assigned to one's own camp unit.
9. Parking a vehicle and/or using an area for purposes other than that for which it was designed or designated.

### Section 3: FIRES – PROHIBITED ACTS

1. Building, attending, maintaining, or using a fire outside of a fire ring or grill provided by the County for such purpose or outside of a stove or grill.

### Section 4: CAMPING REGULATIONS

1. Occupying between 10 PM and 6 AM a place designated for day use only.
2. Failing to remove all camping equipment or personal property when vacating the area or site.
3. Placing, maintaining, or using camping equipment except in a place specifically designated or provided for such equipment.
4. Camping with a developed recreation site for a period longer than 14 days except as otherwise posted.
5. Entering or using a developed recreation site or portion thereof when posted closed.
6. Occupying a developed recreation site with unsightly or inappropriate structures or equipment.

### Section 5: DESTRUCTION OR UNAUTHORIZED USE OF PUBLIC PROPERTY – PROHIBITED ACTS

1. Cutting, killing, destroying, girdling, chipping, chopping, boxing, injuring, or otherwise damaging or removing any tree or other forest product.
2. Mutilating, defacing, removing, disturbing, injuring, or destroying any natural feature or any property of Forest County.
3. Entering any building or structure owned or controlled by Forest County when such building or structure is not open to the public.

Section 6: BEHAVIOR AND CAMPING DECORUM

1. **Engaging in fighting, or in threatening or abusive behavior.**
2. **Inciting or participating in a riot.**
3. **Making unreasonable noise.**
4. **Being publicly nude.**

Section 7: USE AND MAINTENANCE OF PETS AND ANIMALS

1. **Bringing in or possessing an animal, other than a seeing eye dog, unless it is crated, caged, or upon a leash not longer than eight feet, or otherwise under physical restrictive control.**
2. **Bringing in or possessing a saddle, pack or draft animal.**

Section 8: REGULATION OR AUDIO DEVICES

1. **Operating or using in or near a campsite, developed recreation site, or over an adjacent body of water without permit, any device which produces noise, such as a radio, television, musical instrument, motor or engine in such a manner and at such a time so as to unreasonably disturb any person.**
2. **Operating or using a public address system, whether fixed, portable, or vehicle mounted, in or near a campsite, developed recreation site, or over an adjacent body of water without a permit.**

Section 9: FIREWORKS AND FIREARMS – PROHIBITED ACTS

1. **Discharging or igniting a firecracker, rocket or other firework, or explosive.**
2. **Discharging a firearm or any other implement capable of taking human life, causing injury, or damaging property: (1) in or within 150 yards of a residence, building, campsite, developed recreation site or occupied area, or (2) across or on a body of water adjacent thereto whereby any person or property is exposed to injury or damage as a result of such discharge.**

Section 10: INTERFERING OR OBSTRUCTING PARK OR COUNTY OFFICER

1. **Threatening, resisting, intimidating, or interfering with any Park or County Officer engaged in or on account of the performance of his official duties in the protection, improvement, or administration of the County Park.**

Section 11: REGULATION OF SOLICITING BUSINESS

1. **Selling or offering for sale any merchandise or conducting any kind of business enterprise within the limits of the park unless prior authorization is obtained from the Forest County Board of Supervisors or its duly authorized agents.**

Section 12: REGULATION OF BOATS

1. **Operation of all boats, including every description of watercraft, used or capable of being used as a means of transportation on water are prohibited within the limits of any swimming beach area as defined by alternately banded yellow and green buoys.**

Section 13: FAILURE TO PAY FEES

1. **Failing to pay any fee established for admission on entrance to, or use of site, facility, equipment, or service within the park.**

Section 14: PENALTIES

1. **Any person, firm, or corporation violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall, upon conviction, forfeit not less than \$25.00 nor more than \$100.00 for each offense not including the costs of prosecution and restitution. Should any person convicted under the terms of this ordinance default in payment of such forfeiture and costs, shall be imprisoned in the County Jail until the same is paid for a period of time not to exceed sixty (60) days, or until otherwise discharged pursuant to law.**

Section 15: VALIDITY

1. **If any section, clause provision or portion of the Ordinance is deemed unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the remainder of this Ordinance.**

Section 16: CONFLICT

1. **Any Ordinance or Resolution in conflict with the terms of this Ordinance is hereby repealed to the extent such conflict exists.**

Section 17: EFFECTIVE DATE

1. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption and publication as provided by law.

**Erhard E. Huettl – County Board Chairman**  
**Dora C. James – Forest County Clerk**

**STATE OF WISCONSIN – COUNTY OF FOREST**

**I, DORA C JAMES, County Clerk in and for Forest County, do hereby certify that the above Ordinance was adopted by the Forest County Board of Supervisors in legal session on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of August, 1984.**

**Dora C. James, Forest County Clerk**

**Sworn and subscribed to by me this 21<sup>st</sup> day of August, 1984.**

**Sallie L. Deer – Notary Public – State of Wisconsin**

**My Commission expires 2/10/85**



**905.2.5 Snowmobile**

**AMENDED ORDINANCE NO. 03-99**

**WHEREAS**, the use of snowmobiles has increased dramatically over the years with more snowmobile trails being developed; the number of individuals who utilize snowmobiles has increased; and snowmobiles have increased in speed and power; and

**WHEREAS**, the present Forest County Snowmobile Ordinance was adopted seventeen (17) years ago and is in need of revision in order to reflect the modern use of snowmobiles; and

**WHEREAS**, the Forest County Forestry Committee has reviewed the present Ordinance and has recommended that the same be deleted in its entirety and that a new Snowmobile Ordinance be adopted in its place.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE FOREST COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS as follows:

**SECTION ONE:** That the Forest County Snowmobile Ordinance adopted on January 19, 1983 be and the same is hereby deleted in its entirety.

**SECTION TWO:** That the following shall be the Ordinance by which snowmobiles are regulated and the manner in which State-funded snowmobile trails are utilized within Forest County.

**SECTION THREE: DEFINITIONS**

- 3.1 “All-Terrain Vehicle” shall include but not be limited to trail bikes, motorcycles, mini-bikes, air boats and air cushioned vehicles or golf carts. “All-terrain vehicle” means an engine-driven device which has a net weight of seven hundred (700) pounds or less, which had a width of forty-eight (48”) inches or less, which is equipped with a seat designed to be straddled by the operator and which is designed to travel on three (3) or more low-pressure tires. A low-pressure tire is a tire which has a minimum width of six (6”) inches, which is designed to be mounted on a rim with a maximum diameter of twelve (12”) inches and which is designed to be inflated with an operating pressure not to exceed six (6) pounds per square inch as recommended by the manufacturer.
- 3.2 “Approved Snowmobile Trails” include all snowmobile trails or routes that have been designated by the Forest County Snowmobile Coordinator or the Forest County Forestry Committee or a marked corridor on public property or on private lands subject to public easement or lease, designated for use by snowmobile operators by the governmental agency having jurisdiction, but excluding highways except those highways on which the roadway is not normally maintained for other vehicular traffic by the removal of snow.
- 3.3 “Snowmobile” means any engine-driven vehicle that is manufactured solely for snowmobiling, that has an endless belt tread and sled-type runners or skis, to be used in contact with snow but does not include such a vehicle that is any of the following: A vehicle that has inflatable tires or a vehicle that is driven by a motor of four (4) horsepower or less and that is operated in sanctioned races, derbies, competitions or exhibitions or only on private property.
- 3.4 “Approved Snowmobile Trail Signs”: means all snowmobile signs, as defined in Chapter NR 50, Wisconsin Administrative Code.
- 3.5 “Snowmobile Coordinator” means the Forest County Forest Administrator, and such other individuals so designated by the Forest County Forestry Committee.

**SECTION FOUR: RESTRICTED USES OF SNOWMOBILES**

- 4.1 No person shall operate a snowmobile on any land under the supervision, management or control of the Forest County Forestry Committee except on designated trails or unplowed roads.
- 4.2 No person shall operate a snowmobile on any land under the supervision, management or control of the Forest County Forestry Committee that is posted “Closed”.
- 4.3 No person shall operate a snowmobile at an excessive or unsafe rate of speed on any portion of an approved snowmobile trail that is posted with a yellow sign indicating “slow”, “steep hill”, “dip”, “turn”, or other cautionary sign.

**SECTION FIVE: RESTRICTED USE OF SNOWMOBILE TRAILS**

- 5.1 No person shall operate any four-wheel drive vehicle, passenger car, all-terrain vehicle, truck or motorcycle on any state funded snowmobile trail in Forest County, except for snowmobile club trail maintenance activities, without notification to the Forest County Snowmobile Coordinator at County Forestry Department, 200 E. Madison Street, Crandon, WI 54520, Phone (715) 478-3475. This sub-section shall not apply to any person or persons or their assigns who owns or leases lands abutting that portion of the snowmobile trail.
- 5.2 No person shall deface, destroy, or remove any approved snowmobile trail sign or sign post placed on any state funded snowmobile trail.
- 5.3 Landowners who permit snowmobiling on their property pursuant to Sec. 29.68, Wis. Stats, shall notify the Snowmobile Coordinator if they intend to travel or allow travel on a portion of the state funded snowmobile trail that traverses their property with a vehicle other than a snowmobile when the Forest County Snowmobile trails are officially designed as “open to the public” by the Forestry Committee or Snowmobile Coordinator. No person shall operate any four-wheel drive vehicle, passenger car, all-terrain vehicle, truck or motorcycle on any state funded snowmobile trail in Forest County when the Forest County Snowmobile trails are officially designated as “closed to the public” by the Forestry Committee or Snowmobile Coordinator without obtaining landowner permission. The notification shall be the same as that required in Sec. 29.68, Wis. Stats.

**SECTION SIX: PENALTIES**

- 6.1 Any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of the Ordinance shall, upon conviction, forfeit not less than Two Hundred and 00/100 (\$200.00) dollars nor more than One Thousand (\$1,000.00) dollars for each offense together with the costs of prosecution, restitution of trial, bridge, or sign damage, and in default of payment of such forfeiture and costs, shall be imprisoned in the County Jail until the same are paid, for a period of time not to exceed thirty (30) days, or until otherwise discharged pursuant to law.

**SECTION SEVEN: GENERAL**

- 7.1 If any section, clause provision or portion of this Ordinance is judged unconstitutional or invalid by Court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Ordinance shall not be affected.
- 7.2 Any previous Ordinance or Resolution in conflict with this Ordinance is repealed to the extent of such conflict.
- 7.3 This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption and publication. **Adopted the 9<sup>th</sup> day of November 1999.**

Erhard Huettl  
Erhard Huettl, County  
Board Chairman

ATTEST:

**Dora James**

Dora James, County Clerk

ORDINANCE NO. 02-89  
**Prohibit Unauthorized Use of Hunter Walking Trails  
Maintained by Forest County**

**WHEREAS**, Forest County has an intricate road system on Forest County owned lands which are used for hunter walking trails, hiking and cross-country skiing; and

**WHEREAS**, said trails also create an additional food source and habitat for wildlife since these trails are seeded to clover and mowed annually; and

**WHEREAS**, although these roads have been barricaded by gates, several gates have been broken, and unauthorized vehicles such as cars, trucks, and all-terrain vehicles have utilized these roads; and

**WHEREAS**, when that has occurred, the walking trail has been damaged beyond recognition, thereby impairing availability for hikers, as well as detrimentally diminishing the food source and habitat for wildlife; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary that an Ordinance be adopted to prohibit the use of these roads by any unauthorized vehicle, and further, to provide for appropriate fines for those who utilize said roads for those unauthorized purposes.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE FOREST COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:**

**SECTION ONE: HUNTER WALKING TRAILS: DESIGNATION**

It is hereby designated a trail known as a hunter walking trail which is a trail developed and maintained by the Forest County Forest Crop Administrator, or those employees directly responsible to said Administrator; said hunter walking trails developed on Forest County owned lands, which are designed and used by pedestrian hunters, cross-country skiers, hikers, berry pickers, and any other use which does not involve the use of a motor vehicle of any type, kind, or description.

**SECTION TWO: HUNTER WALKING TRAILS: UNAUTHORIZED USE**

It is hereby deemed unlawful for any person or persons to utilize said hunter walking as defined above by any motor vehicle of any kind, and of any description, whether two-wheeled, three wheeled, or four wheeled, without first obtaining a written consent from the Forest County Forest Crop Administrator; and written consent shall be given for a limited duration, and for a specific use.

**SECTION THREE: PENALTY**

Any person deemed to have violated the terms and conditions of this Ordinance shall be fined an amount of not less than One Hundred and 00/100 (\$100.00) dollars, nor more than Five Hundred and 00/100 (\$500.00) for each such offense.

**SECTION FOUR: CONFLICTS**

Any Ordinance or Resolution of the Forest County Board in conflict with the terms of this Ordinance is hereby repealed insofar as any conflict exists.

**SECTION FIVE: EFFECTIVE DATE**

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its adoption and publication as provided for by law. Adopted this 14<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1989.

/s/ Erhard E. Huettl  
Erhard E. Huettl

ATTEST: I, Dora James, County Clerk, in and for the County of Forest, State of Wisconsin, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of an Ordinance adopted by the Forest County Board of Supervisors of Forest County, Wisconsin, in legal session on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1989.

/s/ Dora James  
Dora James  
County Clerk

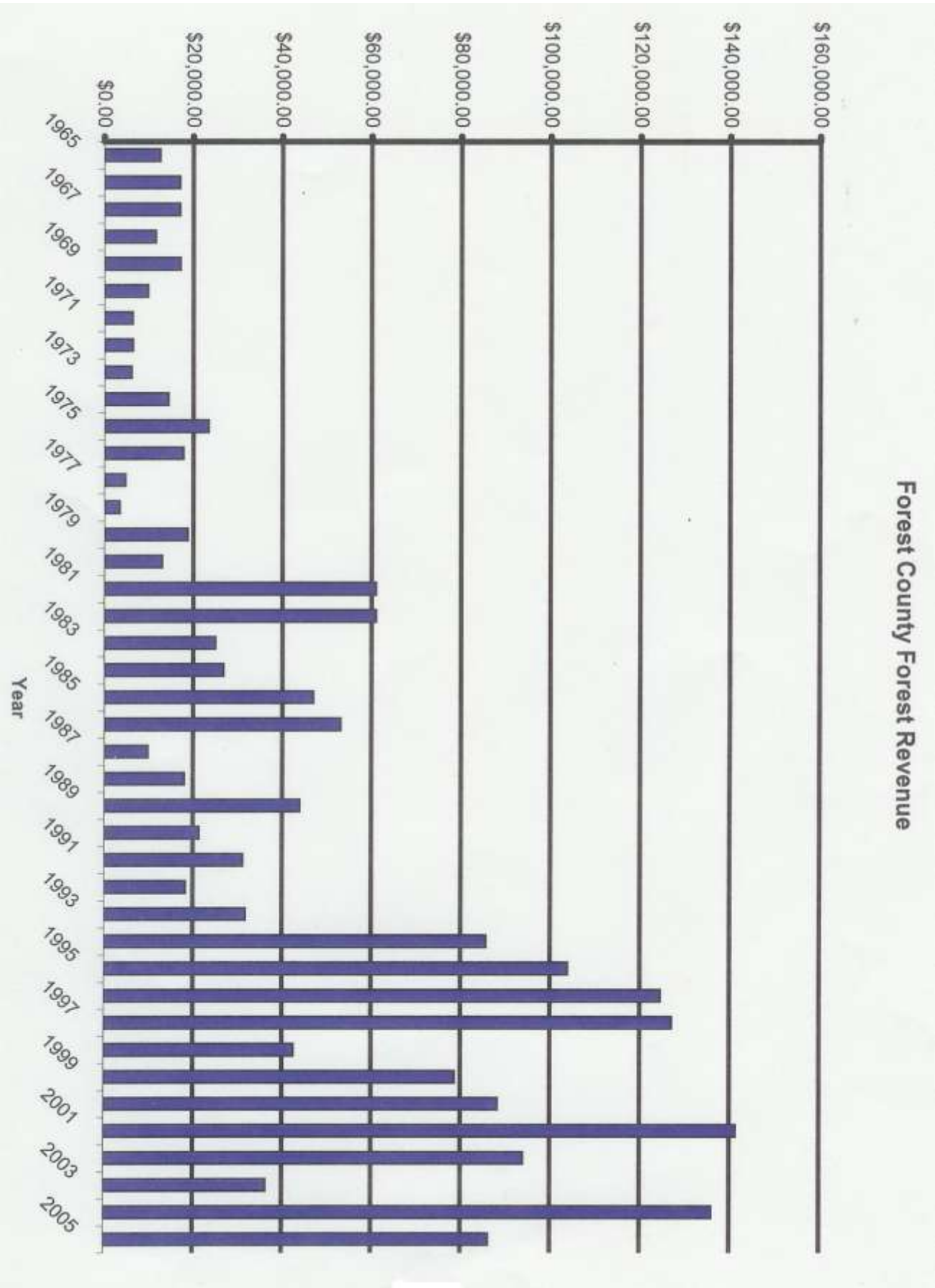
## 910 TIMBER SALE HISTORY

### 910.1 ANNUAL GROSS TIMBER SALE RECEIPTS \*

#### FOREST COUNTY FOREST TIMBER SALE REVENUE 1965 TO 2006

YEAR	REVENUE	Ten Year Average				
1965	\$12,434.78					
1966	\$16,916.49					
1967	\$16,877.45					
1968	\$11,445.37					
1969	\$17,004.82		<b>1965 to 1974</b>			
1970	\$9,716.53		<b>11,724.46</b>			
1971	\$6,223.54					
1972	\$6,282.05					
1973	\$6,018.16					
1974	\$14,325.38					
1975	\$23,367.81					
1976	\$17,706.94					
1977	\$4,677.59					
1978	\$3,423.45					
1979	\$18,699.62		<b>1975 to 1984</b>			
1980	\$12,962.18		<b>25,451.77</b>			
1981	\$60,988.84					
1982	\$60,954.85					
1983	\$24,943.46					
1984	\$26,793.00					
1985	\$46,964.62					
1986	\$53,035.66					
1987	\$9,748.00					
1988	\$17,966.30					
1989	\$43,923.30		<b>1985 to 1994</b>			
1990	\$21,292.93		<b>\$35,965.91</b>			
1991	\$31,109.06					
1992	\$18,266.92					
1993	\$31,733.74					
1994	\$85,618.56					
1995	\$103,854.85					
1996	\$124,594.55					
1997	\$127,091.76		<b>1995 to 2004</b>			
1998	\$42,533.94		<b>97,254.61</b>			
1999	\$78,636.63					
2000	\$88,244.61					
2001	\$141,344.40					
2002	\$93,933.76					
2003	\$36,331.22					
2004	\$135,980.42					
2005	\$86,175.22					
2006	\$146,162.90		<b>2005 to 2014</b>			
			<b>\$116,169.06</b>			
<b>TOTAL REVENUE 1965 TO 2006</b>				<b>\$1,936,305.66</b>		

910.2 County Forest Revenue





### 910.3 Timber Sale Revenue 1995 - 2006

COUNTY TIMBER SALE REVENUE SUMMARY 1995 TO 2006				
Year	Timber Sale Revenue*	Revenue per acre per year		NMC Revenue*
1995	103,854.85	\$9.57		
1996	124,594.55	\$11.49		
1997	127,091.76	\$11.72		\$29,740.68
1998	42,533.94	\$3.92		\$15,718.90
1999	78,636.63	\$7.25		\$41,106.55
2000	88,244.61	\$8.13		\$2,124.94
2001	141,344.40	\$13.03		\$11,724.00
2002	\$93,933.76	\$8.66		\$0.00
2003	\$36,331.22	\$3.35		\$0.00
2004	\$134,980.42	\$12.44		\$0.00
2005	\$86,175.22	\$7.94		
2006	\$146,162.90	\$13.47		
Total	1,203,884.26			\$100,415.07
Average Income per Year			County Forest Acres	
\$100,323.69			10,848.39	
Income/acre/year				
\$9.25				

\* Actual receipts received

<b>FOREST COUNTY ANNUAL TIMBER SALE SUMMARY</b>					
<b>1996 TO 2006</b>					
<b>YEAR</b>	<b>NUMBER OF SALES SOLD</b>	<b>ACRES SOLD</b>	<b>TOTAL VOLUME (estimated)</b>		<b>TOTAL VALUE (sold)</b>
			<b>Cords</b>	<b>MBDFT</b>	
1996**	4	257	3135	96	\$74,776.00
1997**	5	289	2150	151.5	\$73,943.00
1998**	5	377	2125	179.5	\$85,830.00
1999**	5	476	3075	128.4	\$74,073.88
2000	4	349	2025	38	\$62,813.90
2001	8	329	3305	94.7	\$101,580.45
2002	4	393	3035	147.5	\$111,012.00
2003	6	353	3420	89.4	\$114,142.75
2004	6	343	2915	119.9	\$137,686.00
2005	6	298	3005	112.57	\$195,242.90
2006	6	278	3010	146	\$139,522.20
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>3742</b>	<b>31200</b>	<b>1303.47</b>	<b>\$1,170,623.08</b>
<b>Yearly Ave</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>340</b>	<b>2836</b>	<b>118.50</b>	<b>\$106,420.28</b>

### 910.4 Timber Sale Revenue 1933 - 1965

## Timber Sale Revenues 1933 to 1965

Year	Acerage	Acres cut	Volume cd equivalent	Value	Cds/acre	\$ per cord
1933	49,423	0	0	\$0.00	0.00	
1934	49,423	0	0	\$0.00	0.00	
1935	10,227	0	0	\$0.00	0.00	
1936	10,146	0	0	\$0.00	0.00	
1937	10,146	0	0	\$0.00	0.00	
1938	10,146	14	52	\$60.86	3.71	\$1.17
1939	10,146	0	0	\$0.00	0.00	
1940	10,146	0	0	\$0.00	0.00	
1941	10,146	25	87	\$124.40	3.48	\$1.43
1942	10,766	381	1411	\$1,330.89	3.70	\$0.94
1943	10,766	0	0	\$0.00	0.00	
1944	10,766	37	135	\$74.47	3.65	\$0.55
1945	10,726	166	615	\$595.00	3.70	\$0.97
1946	10,726	0	0	\$0.00	0.00	
1947	10,726	111	410	\$814.45	3.69	\$1.99
1948	10,726	775	2869	\$6,164.48	3.70	\$2.15
1949	10,726	12	46	\$56.25	3.83	\$1.22
1950	10,695	3	9	\$32.03	3.00	\$3.56
1951	10,695	0	0	\$0.00	0.00	
1952	10,695	0	0	\$0.00	0.00	
1953	10,695		4	\$32.64	0.00	\$8.16
1954	10,695	0	0	\$0.00	0.00	
1955	10,695	0	0	\$0.00	0.00	
1956	10,695	0	0	\$0.00	0.00	
1957	10,695	122	1184	\$3,328.54	9.70	\$2.81
1958	10,695	476	1672	\$5,429.38	3.51	\$3.25
1959	10,695	0	0	\$0.00	0.00	
1960	10,807	153	1454	\$5,163.38	9.50	\$3.55
1961		130	696	\$2,409.43	5.35	\$3.46
1962		70	845	\$3,206.83	12.07	\$3.80
1963		535	3889	\$11,365.65	7.27	\$2.92
1964		13	92	\$1,451.09	7.08	\$15.77
<b>Total</b>		<b>3023</b>	<b>15470</b>	<b>\$41,639.77</b>	<b>5.12</b>	<b>\$2.69</b>

## 915 PERMITS, USE AGREEMENTS, POLICIES AND CONTRACTS

### 915.1 TIMBER SALE CONTRACT \*

#### TIMBER SALES CONTRACT

Contract Number \_\_\_\_\_  
Tract # \_\_\_\_\_

This contract is made by and between the Forestry Committee, Forest County, Crandon, Wisconsin hereinafter called the Seller, and \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ hereinafter called the Purchaser, for the purpose of cutting and removing timber, which includes all forest products, marked or designated by the Seller on the following described lands, hereinafter called the premises: which are further described in attachments made a part of the Contract.

This Contract and all authority granted under it, as mutually agreed upon by the parties, is subject to the following terms and conditions:

1. Cutting of timber on the premises may start after execution of the Contract and submission of required payments and statements. Cutting and removing shall be conducted in a workman-like manner and with reasonable diligence to assure full compliance with this Contract within the Contract period. The Purchaser shall notify the Seller immediately upon completion.
2. All work under this Contract shall be completed in the period commencing upon execution of it to no later than \_\_\_\_\_. The Seller may temporarily suspend operations upon notice to the Purchaser with subsequent equitable adjustment of this contract as deemed necessary by the Seller.
3. If extensions of this contract are agreed upon by the parties, the stumpage prices indicated in clause 10 shall be adjusted as follows;
  - A. One year extension: Increased 15%.
4. Upon written notice by the Seller or its representative to Purchaser that he is not in compliance with one or more conditions of the Contract, all operations must be suspended and may not be resumed without written authorization.
5. The Seller may terminate this Contract, on oral or written notice upon said breach as determined by the Seller or at other times when deemed necessary by the Seller.
6. Purchaser has deposited a certified check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ which is equivalent to 10% or more of the total bid price. An additional \$\_\_\_\_\_ which is 15% of the total bid price shall be deposited prior to starting the timber sale giving a total timber sale deposit of \$\_\_\_\_\_ which is 25% of the total bid price. If the successful bidder fails to pay the additional 15% deposit prior to starting the timber sale or fails to sign the contract within 15 working days after notification by the Forestry Department, the County will keep the 10% deposit and award the timber sale bid to the second highest bidder. This 25% payment (PERFORMANCE BOND) shall be held as evidence of the intention of the successful bidder to carry out faithfully the provisions of the contract. This sum shall be refunded upon satisfactory completion of the contract and payment of all stumpage bills. Purchaser agrees that upon breach of any terms or conditions of the Contract, as determined by the Seller, this deposit shall be forfeited to the Seller as liquidated damages unless the Seller determines and chooses to seek actual damages. Purchaser further agrees that such deposit shall not be returned unless and until the Seller determines the contract has been fully completed by the Purchaser including the payment of all stumpage bills. The Seller shall have sixty (60) days from notice of completion from the Purchaser to make such determination.
7. Purchaser agrees that if the timber identified under this Contract is resold upon a breach of it, the Seller is not obligated to give notice of resale to Purchaser.
8. Timber shall not be removed from the premises until paid for or guarantees for payment acceptable to the Seller are provided.



9. Title to timber cut under this Contract shall remain with the Seller until payment as indicated in clause 10 is received by the Seller or written authorization is given by the Seller.
10. The Purchaser agrees to pay stumpage payments indicated below in paragraph A in the form acceptable to the Seller for marked or designated timber cut or removed under this Contract. The volume of timber indicated is an estimate. The Seller does not give any guarantee or warranty respecting quality, quantity or volume of the marked or designated timber on the premises.
  - A. Purchaser shall make stumpage payments in full within 30 days of billing date. **Any amounts not paid within 30 days shall accrue interest at the rate of 1.5% per month until the stumpage bill is paid in full.** Stumpage payments shall be made payable to the Forest County Treasurer, and mailed to the Forest county Forestry Department, 200 East Madison, Courthouse, Crandon, WI. 54520.  
Stumpage payment schedule;

SPECIES	PRICE	TOTAL VALUE OF	PER UNIT	ESTIMATED VOLUMES
	PRODUCT	VOLUME		

- B. The Purchaser agrees to pay double stumpage payments as liquidated damages for timber removed from the premises without advance payment or authorization as required in clause 8 and for unmarked or undesignated timber cut or damaged through carelessness, negligence or intention.
- C. Purchaser agrees to make stumpage payments at the rate indicated in clause 10 A, for timber marked or designated on the premises which is destroyed or reduced in value as a result of the Purchaser's operation or negligence and that which is not removed on termination of the this Contract.

#### OPERATIONAL SPECIFICATIONS

11. Cutting requirements: (DBH represents the diameter of timber 4.5 feet above the ground).
12. Utilization specifications:
 

**Cordwood:** All pulpwood trees marked for cutting are merchantable if they contain one or more pulpwood sticks that are reasonably straight and sound, free of excessive knots, 100 inches long with a four inch minimum diameter top.

**Sawlogs:** All sawlog trees marked for cutting are merchantable that contain one or more sawlogs with a minimum length of eight feet, a minimum top diameter of ten inches and contain a minimum of 30 board feet.
13. Maximum stump height shall not exceed stump diameter, and for stumps of diameter less than 10 inches, height shall not exceed 10 inches.
14. All and only the timber marked or designated for cutting on the premises shall be cut whether it be more or less than the volume listed herein.
15. The Purchaser shall use reasonable care not to damage the residual timber stands. Young growth bent or held down by felled trees shall be promptly released. Timber damaged through normal cutting operations may be designated for cutting by the Seller and harvested if merchantable.
16. The Purchaser agrees to complete all operations on each portion of the premises or each compartment as designated in the cutting requirements before beginning in the next, unless agreed to otherwise by the Seller.

17. The Purchaser agrees not to commit any act of waste or nuisance upon the premises.
18. All mechanical timber sale activity including, but not limited to, cutting, felling, bunching, skidding, decking and hauling will cease for a period of 60 days from the start of spring break-up as determined by the seller. All non-mechanical timber sale activity requires prior approval from the County Forest Administrator.

#### NOTICE OF INTENT TO CUT

19. The Purchaser shall make a written declaration of his/her intention to cut forest products to the County Clerk pursuant to Section 26.03, Wisconsin Statutes.

#### SLASH AND DEBRIS DISPOSAL

20. The Purchaser agrees to comply with the State Slash Law, Section 26.12(b), Wisconsin Statutes, with request regarding forest fire prevention and suppression made by the Seller and takes all reasonable precautions to prevent, suppress and report forest fires.
21. Other slash disposal requirements are as follows;  
\*Comply with State Slash Law.
22. The Purchaser shall remove, to the satisfaction of the Seller, all solid waste, trash and debris generated by the Purchaser.

#### ROADS, CAMPS, SURVEY CORNERS

23. Location, construction, and use of logging roads, mill sites and campsites is subject to advance approval by the Seller. All such areas or facilities used or constructed by the Purchaser must be operated, maintained and restored prior to termination of the Contract in a manner satisfactory to the Seller. Purchaser shall repair damage to existing roads prior to release by the Seller of Purchaser's performance deposit.
24. No residence, dwelling, permanent structure, or improvement shall be established or constructed on the premises.
25. Logging roads that intersect town, county, or state roads or highways must have the intersections approved by the proper authorities prior to construction and cleared of all unsightly debris at the time of construction.
26. The Purchaser agrees to pay for the cost of repair or replacement of any land survey monuments or accessories which are removed or destroyed or made inaccessible. Purchaser will also pay for the cost of repair or replacement of any gates damaged or destroyed. Payment of cost or repair shall not prevent enforcement or recourse to other statutory provisions which apply to such action or conduct of the Purchaser.

#### LIABILITY

27. The Purchaser agrees to protect, indemnify and save harmless the Seller from and against any and all causes of action, claims, demands, suits, liability or expense by reason of loss or damage to any property or bodily injury to any person, including death, as a direct or indirect result of operations or in connection with any action or omission of the Purchaser, who shall defend the Seller in any such cause of action or claim.

#### INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR RELATIONSHIP

28. Unless otherwise required in writing by the Seller, the Purchaser, prior to any performance under the Contract, shall provide the Seller with a Certificate of Insurance indicating that Workers Compensation insurance coverage is provided for all employees working under the Contract for the duration of the contract. Such Certificate shall notify the Seller at the County, Courthouse, Crandon, WI. within five (5) days of any change in said terms or twenty (20) days prior to the termination of insurance coverage.

29. The Purchaser is an independent contractor and not an employee or agent of the Seller for any purpose including Workers Compensation.

#### ASSIGNMENT AND CHANGES

30. Cutting under this Contract cannot be assigned or subcontracted in part or in whole without prior written approval from the Seller and may be changed or amended only in writing. The Purchaser shall notify the Surety, if any, of any such change or amendment.

#### CONTRACTING PARTIES

31. In this Contract, the Seller and the Purchaser include their respective officers, employees, agents, directors, subcontractors, assignees, partners, representative, successors, heirs, members and servants.
32. If the Purchaser ceases to exist, in fact or by law, the Seller may immediately terminate this Contract and, without waiving any remedies available to it, perform the Contract.

#### SCALING AND CONVERSION FACTORS

33. The Seller may inspect trucks hauling forest products from the premises and check sale at any time.
34. When peeled cordwood is measured, it is agreed that 12.5% will be added to handpeeled or ring debarked volume, and 25% will be added to other machine peeled volume to compute equivalent unpeeled volume.
35. The Scribner Decimal C Log Rule shall be used for scaling logs.
36. Conversion of MBF (thousand board feet) to cords or cords to MBF will be 2.44 cords per MBF for softwoods and 2.20 cords per MBF for hardwoods.
37. Other conversion factors are as follows:
- \*Weight conversions for mill scaled wood will be as per the Timber Sale Handbook (Page 12-1). A copy of which is attached and made part of this contract.
38. All sawlogs shall be separated from pulpwood when piled.
39. All pulpwood shall be piled for scaling. Piles shall be level and square with a least 2 cords per pile. At least 5 MBF of sawlogs will be skidded and yarded, before a scale is requested.
40. Logs will be yarded for scaling. If logs are decked, the log length shall be marked on the small end with lumber crayon. Decks shall be no higher than six (6) feet.
41. All logs and pulpwood shall remain on the premises until scaled and paid for.
42. Other conditions:
- All timber sale activity including, but not limited to, felling, bunching, skidding, piling, decking and hauling can be limited, restricted or stopped during periods of wet weather when soil damage, tree damage, or County Forest road damage may occur.

#### SOIL DISTURBANCE AND RUTTING

43. Excessive soil disturbance (as defined in Table 1) shall not be permitted. Purchaser Agrees to contact Sell in the event of an excessive soil disturbance.

**Table 1. Thresholds for soil disturbances.**

Soil disturbances are excessive if:

- a. Roads, landings, skid trails, and general harvest area – A gully or rut is 6 inches deep or more and is resulting in channelized flow to a wetland, stream or lake.
- b. Roads, landings, and primary skid trails – In a riparian management zone (RMS) or wetland, a gully or rut is 6” deep or more and 100 feet long or more.  
In an upland area (outside) RMZ, a gully or rut is 10 inches deep or more and 100 feet long or more.
- c. Secondary skid trails and general harvest area – a gully or rut is 6 inches deep or more and 100 feet long or more.

**Note:** The depth is to be measured from the original soil surface to the bottom of the depression. If individual lug depressions are visible, the depth would be measured to the lesser of the two depths (the “top” of the lug). The length is measured from the start of the too deep section. Measurements are not cumulative.

**TRAINING REQUIREMENT**

44. The purchaser is responsible for ensuring that the actual logging contractor engaged in Performance of this contract complies with the Wisconsin SFI (Sustainable Forestry Initiative) Training Standards as adopted by the Wisconsin SFO Implementation Committee (SIC). Criteria for the standard can be found at the website [www.fistausa.org/sfi\\_standards](http://www.fistausa.org/sfi_standards) or by contacting the Forest Industry Safety & Training Alliance (FISTA). Purchaser agrees to provide documentation to Seller that training has been attained prior to initiating sale.

**SELLER**

Forest County  
Forestry Committee

By \_\_\_\_\_  
County Forest Administrator

Date Signed \_\_\_\_\_

**PURCHASER**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date Signed \_\_\_\_\_

**915.2 TIMBER SALE EXTENSION / RENEWAL POLICY \***

If extensions of this contract are agreed upon by the parties, the stumpage prices indicated in clause 10 shall be increased 15% for a one year extension.

### 915.3 FIREWOOD PERMIT

#### FUELWOOD AGREEMENT

The Forest County Forestry Committee hereby extends permission to:\_\_\_\_\_ (Hereby referred to as Permittee) for the purpose of gathering designated dead or naturally fallen timber for fuelwood for personal home use only, from Forest County Forest Land.

This contract is valid for up to ten (10) face cords of wood per year and extends from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_.

As a condition of this contract, the Permittee agrees to pay the Forest County Forestry Department a fee of \$10.00 (checks payable to "Forest County Treasurer) and while cutting or removing any fuelwood, the Permittee agrees to have a signed copy of this permit in his/her possession.

Permittee understands any permit violation will result in termination of this fuelwood permit and agrees to pay damages as a result of permit violation.

#### SPECIAL CONDITIONS

1. No mechanical tree skidding equipment allowed.
2. No gates will be opened to improve access.
3. No standing timber to be cut except dead elm.
4. If cutting is done on designated areas, a map of the area must be on Permittees person and all conditions listed on map must be adhered to.
5. No cutting or wood gathering on logging operations without written permission of the timber operators.
6. Only dead & down tops and/or standing dead elm shall be cut under this permit.

Permittee is aware that he/she is responsible for the knowledge of land ownership boundaries and accepts all liability for any cutting he/she may do on non-county lands or county lands not designated by this agreement.

I, hereby accept the above conditions and hereby recognize that Forest County does not police or patrol the county forests to eliminate or provide warning for dangers which may exist. Forest County will not be responsible for any accident or property damage or any physical or other injury. I understand and agree that Forest County accepts no responsibility and is in no way liable for any injuries, physical or otherwise, or property damage which may occur to me or anyone who may accompany me while cutting or removing fuelwood under this agreement. I further understand and agree to secure and hold harmless Forest County against any injuries, loss, or damage to any person or property as a result of my cutting or removing fuelwood under this agreement.

Signed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_\_.

FOREST COUNTY FORESTRY COMMITTEE

PERMITTEE:

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
DAVID W. ZIOLKOWSKI  
County Forest Administrator  
Courthouse  
200 E. Madison Street  
Crandon, WI 54520

Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

## 915.4 PRIVATE ACCESS – LAND USE PERMIT

### SAMPLE ACCESS PERMIT

DATE:

Name:

Street Address:

City, State & Zip Code:

Dear \_\_\_\_\_:

I am writing on behalf of your request to cross county land to obtain access to your property located at T\_\_\_\_, R\_\_\_\_, Section \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, in Forest County.

The Forest County Forestry Committee hereby grants permission to \_\_\_\_\_, to cross county land providing that \_\_\_\_\_ agrees to the following eight criteria:

1. No legal easement will be granted, only permission to cross county lands.
2. County retains all rights of ownership.
3. The permit is non-transferable.
4. The road must be open to the public through county land.
5. Forestry personnel will have the right to limit or restrict usage in periods of wet weather when road or tree damage may occur as well as require users to repair the road or reimburse the county for necessary road repairs.
6. A one time fee will be charged of \$600.00 for the cost and installation of each county owned gate, if necessary, to prevent damage to the road system or to prevent access to additional county owned lands. A one time fee of \$100 will be charged for administrative fees.
7. Forestry personnel will approve location and standards or conditions to be followed.
8. At any time the county feels it is no longer in the best interest of the public to continue access, the permit will be terminated.

Upon the users reading, signing, agreeing and adhering to the conditions set forth above, access will be permitted.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
David W. Ziolkowski Date  
County Forest Administrator



915.5 CAMPING POLICY / PERMIT

No camping policy currently on the Forest County Forest

915.6 TREE STAND POLICY

No trees stand policy currently on the Forest County Forest

## **920 FACILITIES AND REPORTS**

### **920.1 RECREATIONAL INVENTORY \***

Include the following information:

- 1 Campgrounds / 65 camp sites (10 Tent only)
- Nature & Hiking trails (# miles)
- Snowmobile trails ( # miles)
- 1 ATV trail (8 mile loop trail)
- 2 Picnic areas with 3 shelters
- 1 Swimming beach
- 1 Boat landing

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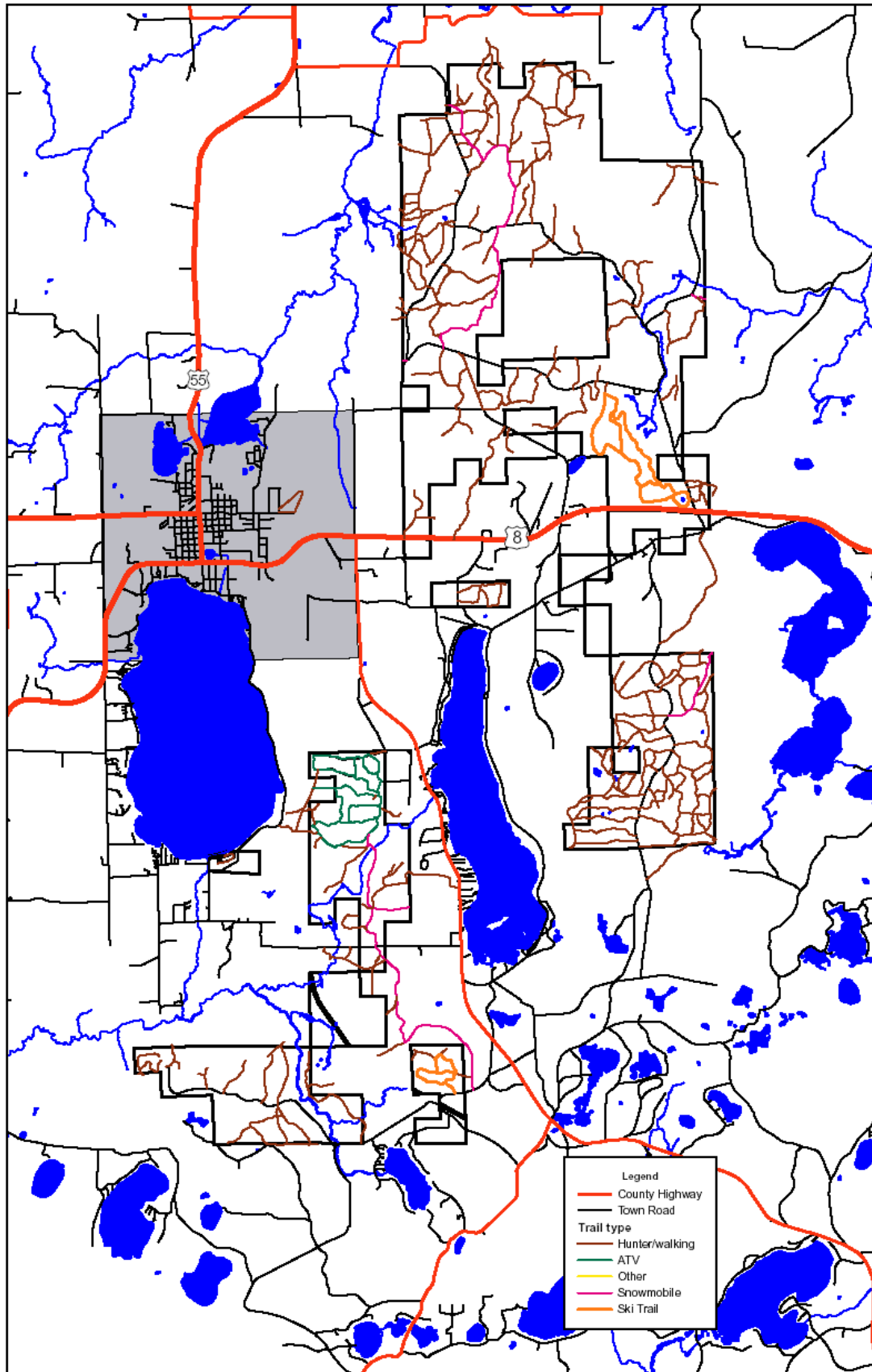
## 920.2 STATEMENT OF COUNTY FOREST LOAN \*

REPORT 15 STATEMENT OF COUNTY FOREST LOAN ACCOUNTS AS OF JUNE 30, 2005										
COUNTY	----- VARIABLE ACREAGE SHARE LOANS -----			----- COUNTY REPAYMENTS -----			----- P R O J E C T L O A N S -----			BALANCE
	--- DNR ISSUED LOANS ---			--- COUNTY REPAYMENTS ---			--- DNR ISSUED LOANS ---			OWED
	FY'05 TOT TO DATE			FY'05 TOT TO DATE			FY'05 TOT TO DATE			DNR
ASHLAND	10000.68	439768.18	22333.02	460638.48	80275.06	1020975.06	51256.94	228884.53	771,220.23	
BARON	0.00	122285.69	513.13	229916.07	0.00	335484.00	1407.74	131925.55	95,928.07	
BAVFIELD	84468.27	1820219.83	87735.70	1984282.81	0.00	300000.00	15022.69	71962.60	63,964.42	
BURETT	53214.70	1704962.82	82967.31	2017544.09	56550.18	707535.77	33702.16	348644.39	46,310.11	
CHIPPewa	15837.68	424302.54	0.00	44513.38	0.00	79500.50	0.00	42821.98	15,837.68	
CLARK	0.00	1161477.30	0.00	1206364.81	0.00	53000.00	0.00	812.49	0.00	
DOUGLAS	0.00	1876638.45	0.00	1992444.05	0.00	529850.00	0.00	414044.40	0.00	
EAD CLAIRE	0.00	526533.23	0.00	605711.20	0.00	126933.08	0.00	47755.11	0.00	
FLORENCE	0.00	444068.78	53277.64	591076.62	235000.00	1654376.82	191854.71	629119.68	878,249.30	
FOREST	5424.20	151959.10	5424.20	146534.90	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,424.20	
IRON	86636.46	2356548.18	125809.73	2197047.61	66000.00	749750.00	38624.05	111170.55	798,080.02	
JACKSON	52911.65	1663688.92	110390.84	1906582.84	0.00	511990.00	34679.02	269096.08	0.00	
JUNEAU	0.00	116824.82	6906.64	204063.84	0.00	232250.00	13730.54	127772.51	17,238.47	
LANE/DADE	0.00	555874.24	0.00	555874.24	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
LINCOLN	0.00	590731.41	81283.73	938201.65	0.00	1220980.00	168004.97	599507.94	274,001.82	
MARATHON	14054.86	376533.25	7798.88	260889.27	0.00	1464261.00	31292.41	288166.16	1,271,728.82	
MARINETTE	0.00	1104208.02	0.00	1142208.02	0.00	38000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
MONROE	0.00	21340.37	0.00	35360.23	0.00	27750.00	0.00	13784.14	0.00	
OCONTO	0.00	219031.59	0.00	327749.27	0.00	300000.00	0.00	191282.32	0.00	
ONEIDA	26281.61	1047208.04	57805.84	1205754.77	0.00	439010.00	24377.50	137471.94	142,991.33	
POLK	8202.86	233482.11	8449.14	275338.54	105918.00	840353.50	27799.69	159482.36	639,014.71	
PRICE	45664.61	1263042.23	109885.17	1272804.72	0.00	611285.00	54157.88	219001.56	382,520.95	
RUSK	44401.31	1481342.10	81181.56	1520953.33	0.00	136950.00	7621.04	97338.77	0.00	
SAWYER	0.00	1172316.95	0.00	1172316.95	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
TAYLOR	0.00	204461.52	0.00	224907.68	0.00	36398.28	0.00	15952.12	0.00	
VERNON	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	171979.54	0.00	0.00	171,979.54	
VILAS	20392.96	636224.50	3177.20	882564.79	0.00	467234.81	2406.28	200806.59	20,087.93	
WASHBURN	74146.76	2198565.66	130788.13	2306003.48	0.00	288488.66	17460.39	181050.84	0.00	
WOOD	0.00	259901.61	0.00	274503.69	0.00	25000.00	0.00	10397.92	0.00	
STATE TOTAL	541638.61	24173521.44	975727.88	26402737.33	543743.24	12369336.02	713398.01	4545552.53	5,594,577.60	

NOTE: SEVERANCE PAYMENTS "IN THE MAIL" OR OTHERWISE STILL IN PROCESS ARE NOT IN THIS REPORT. THIS REPORT IS ON A STATE FISCAL YEAR BASIS.

PREPARED BY JEFFREY D. BARKLEY,  
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MI. DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

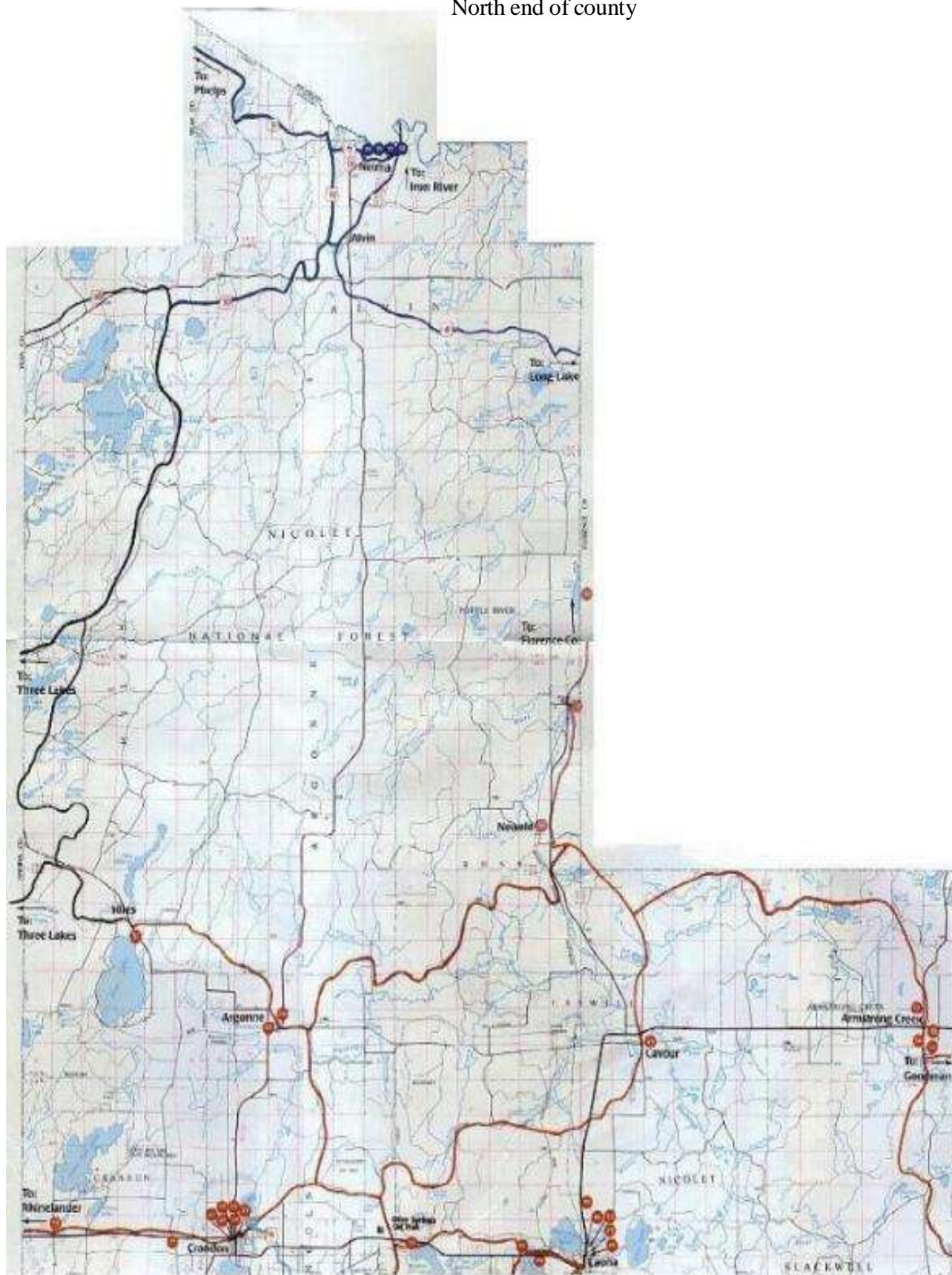
July 29, 2005

**FOREST COUNTY FOREST  
TRAIL MAP OVERVIEW**

925.1 COUNTY SNOWMOBILE MAP



North end of county

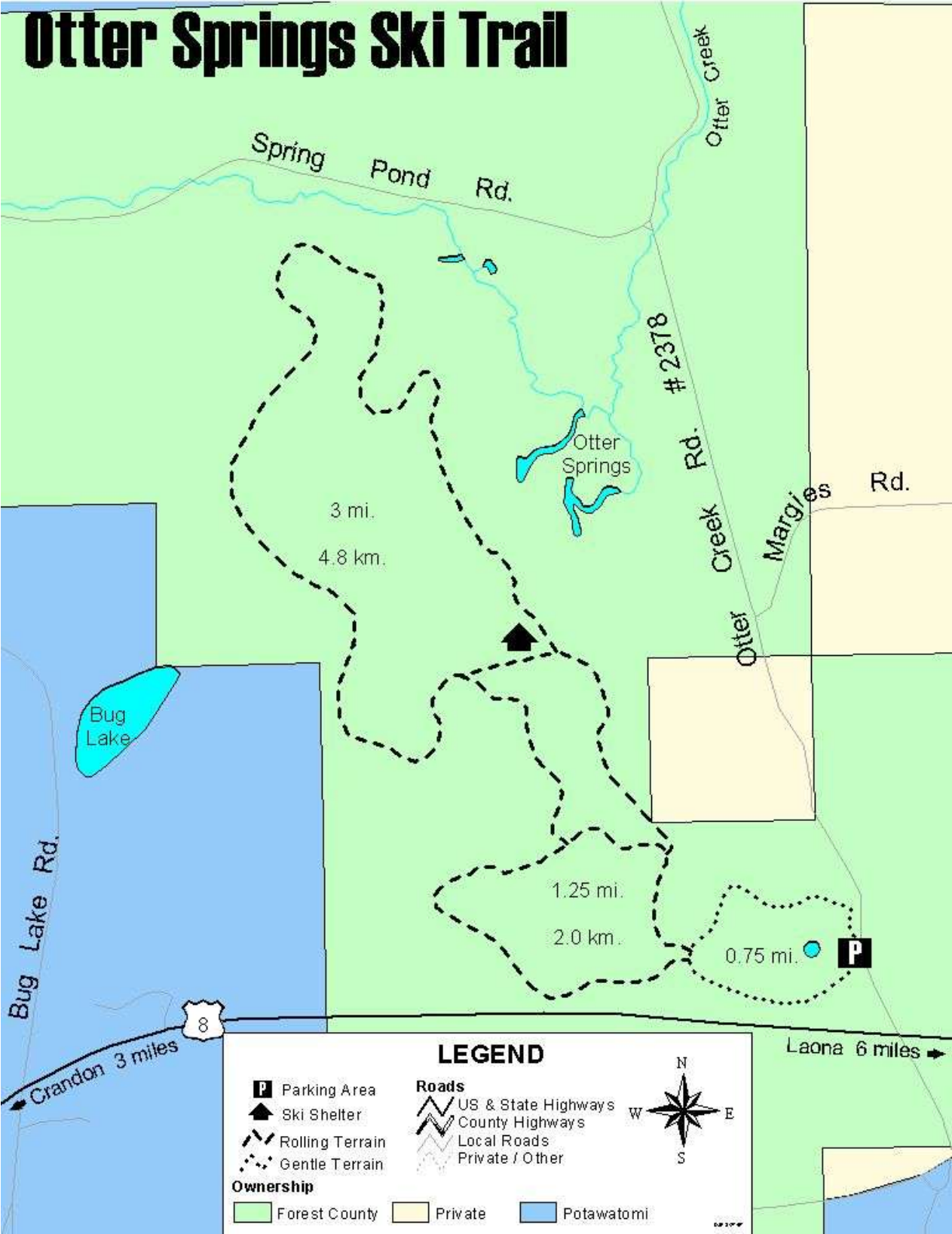


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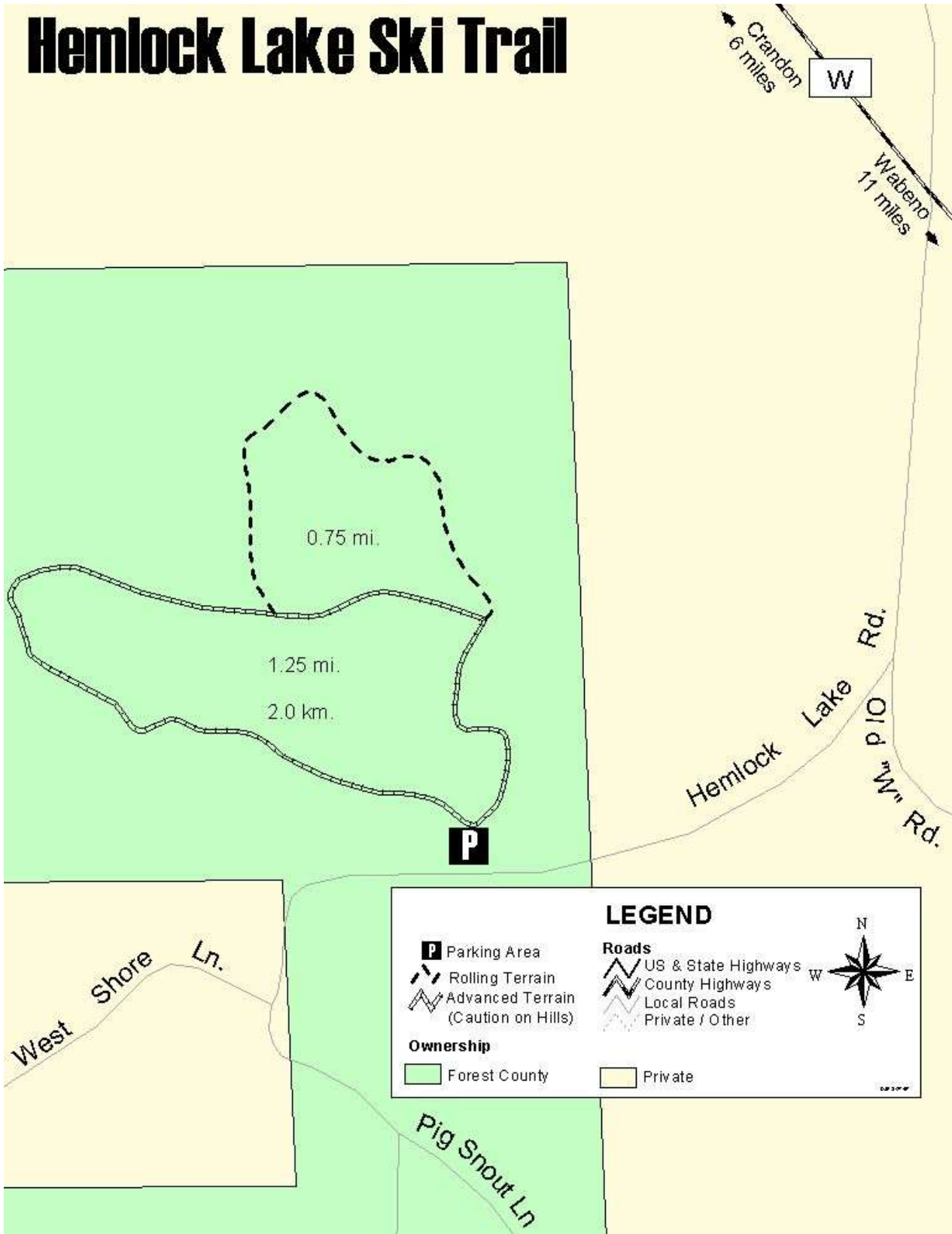




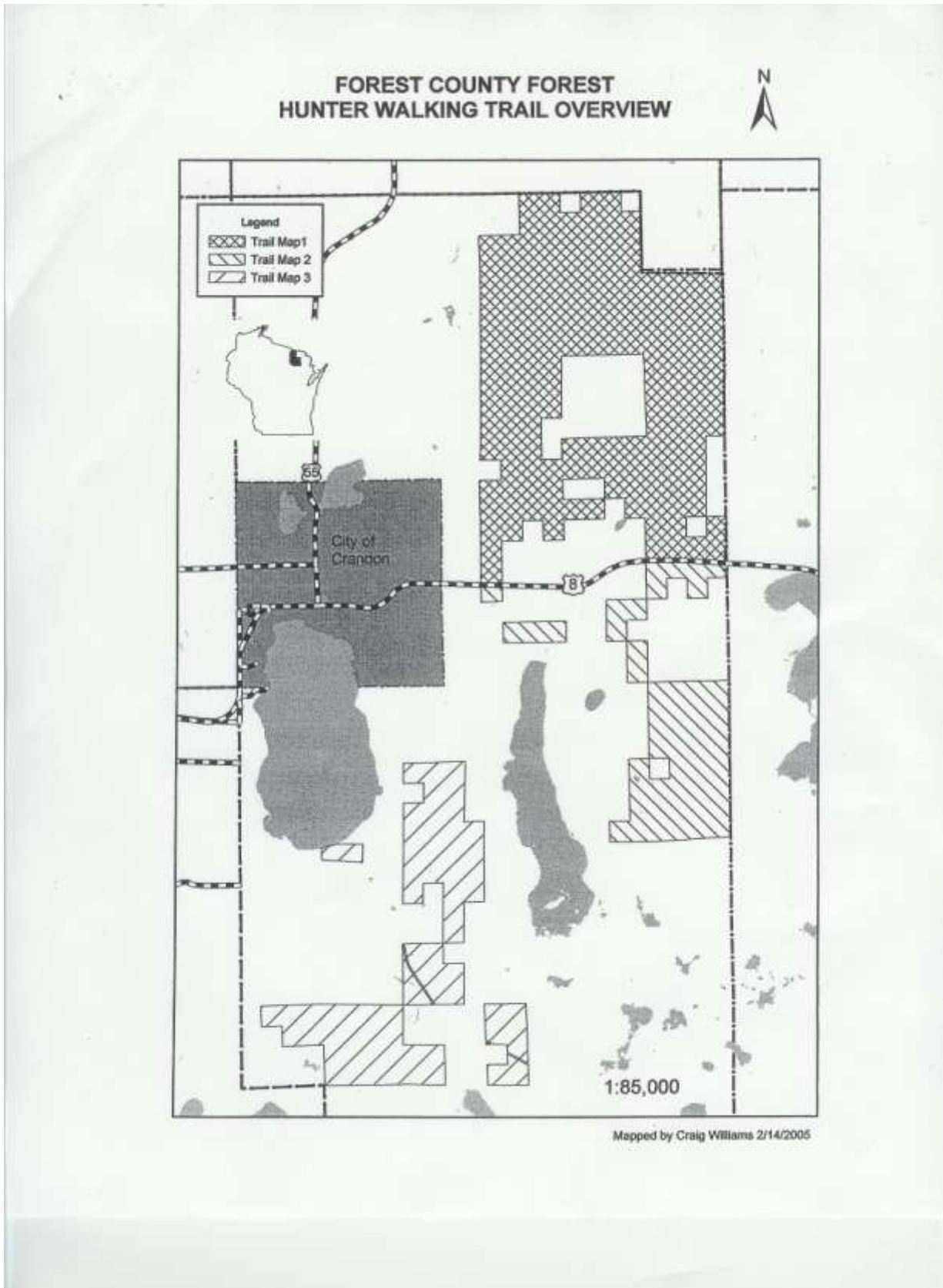
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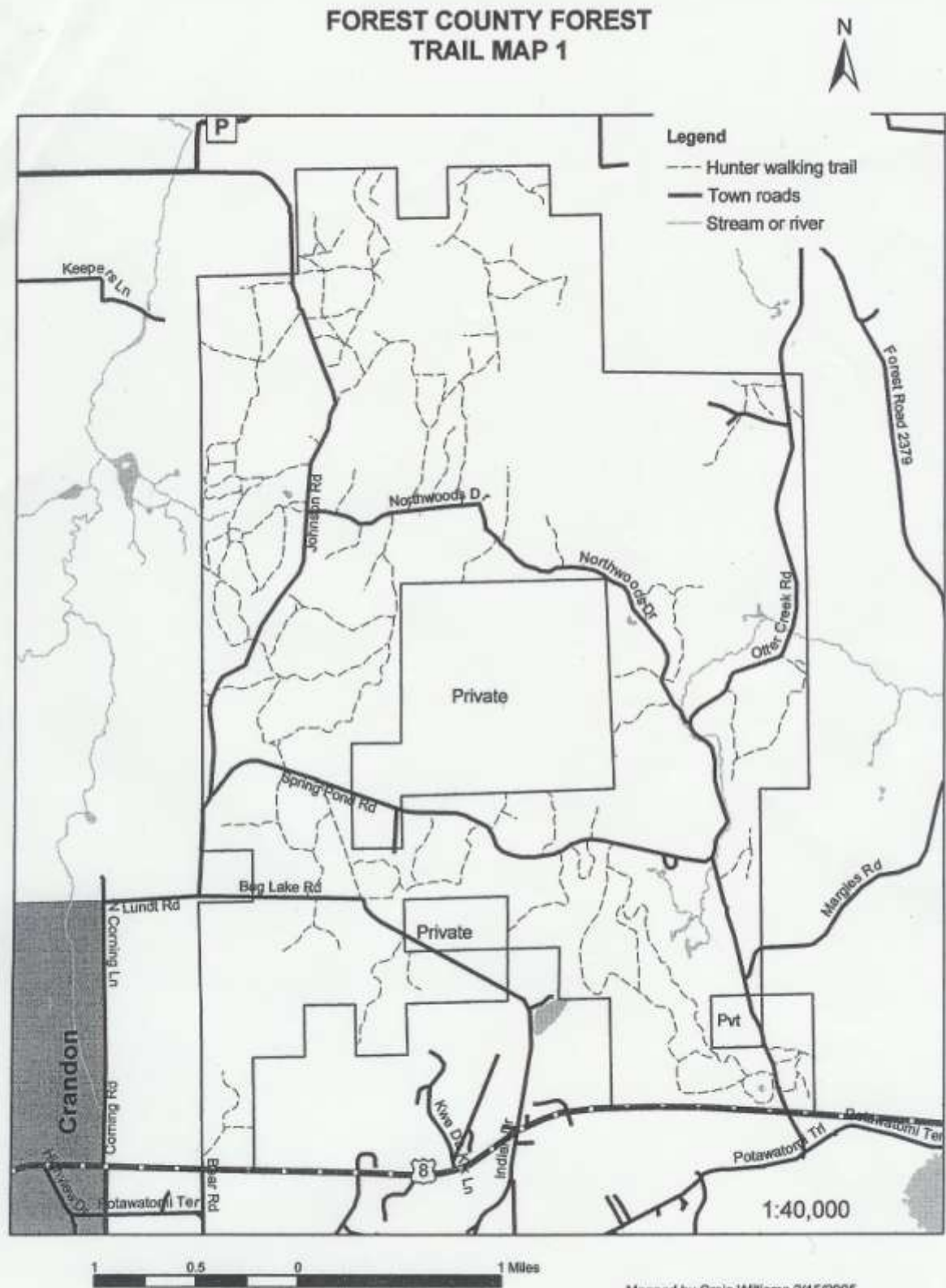




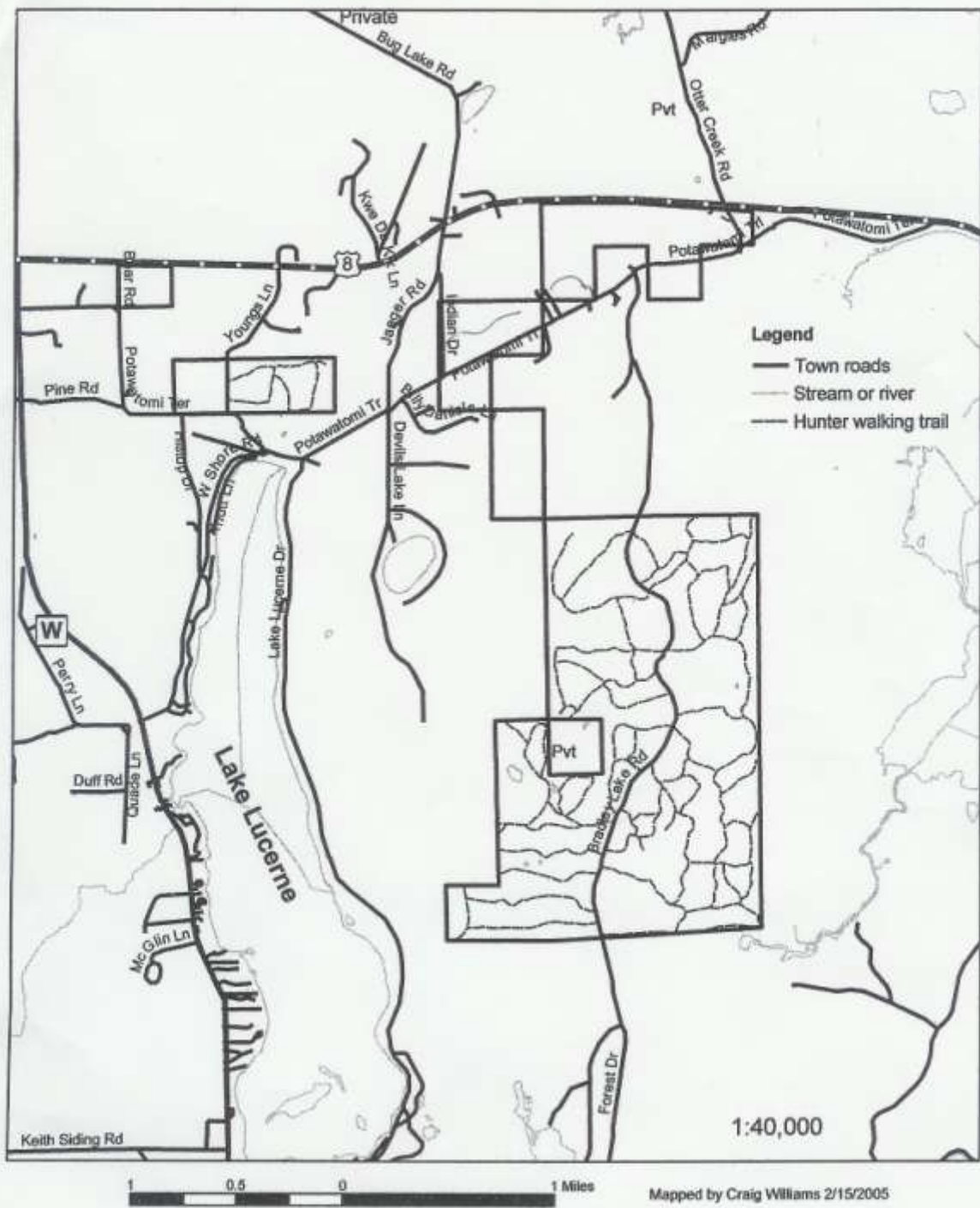


925.3 HUNTER WALKING TRAIL MAP

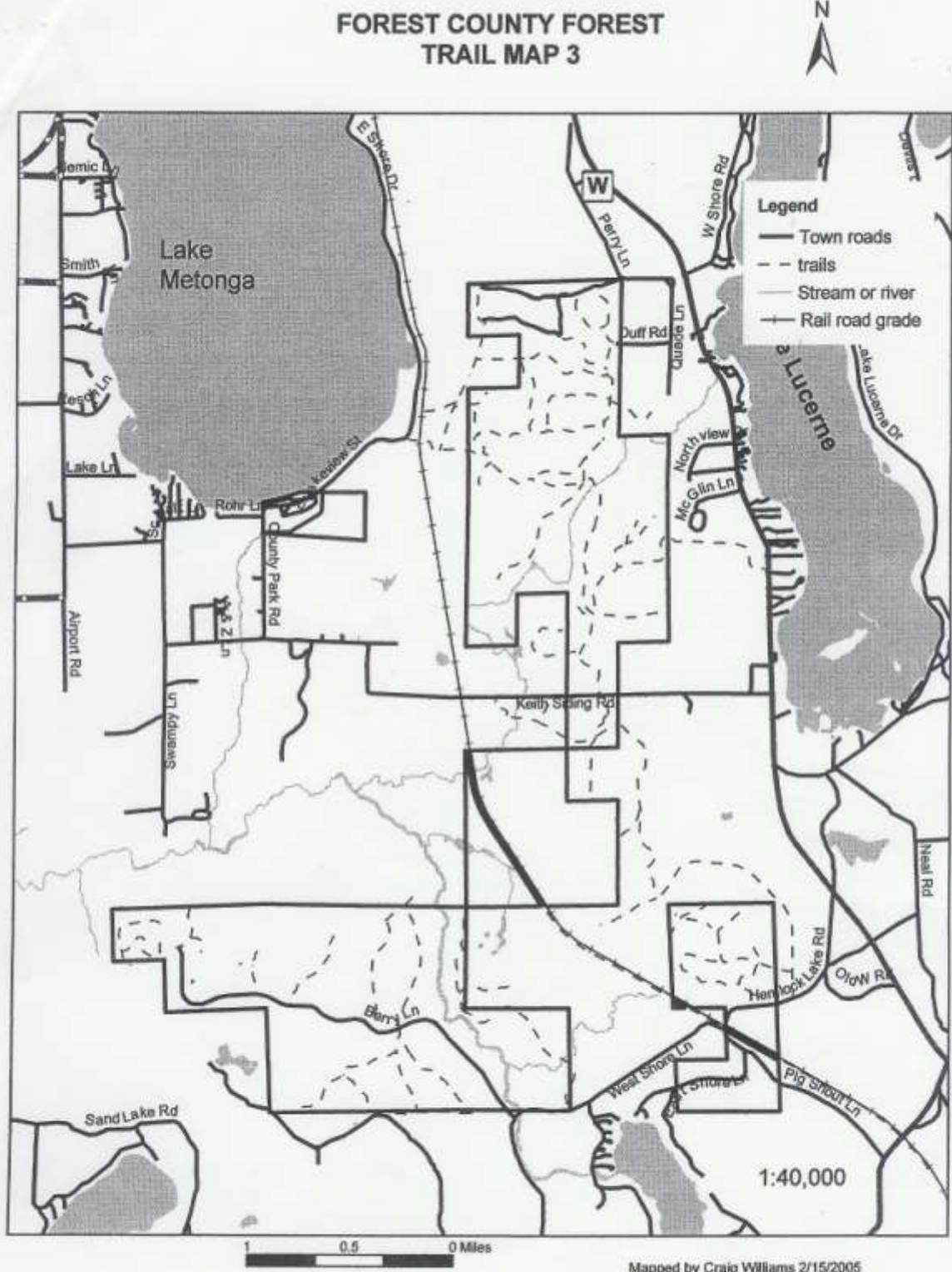


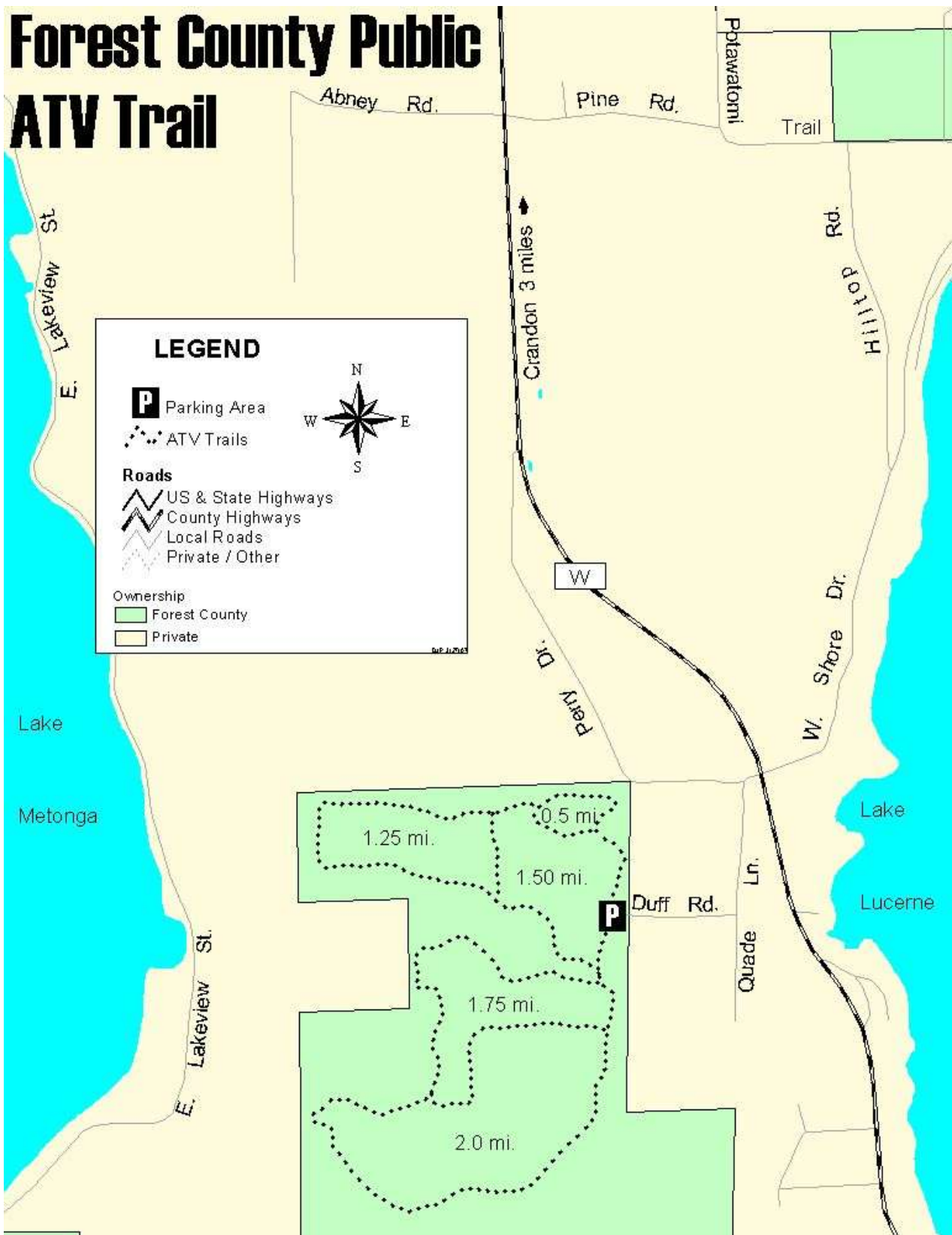


# FOREST COUNTY FOREST TRAIL MAP 2

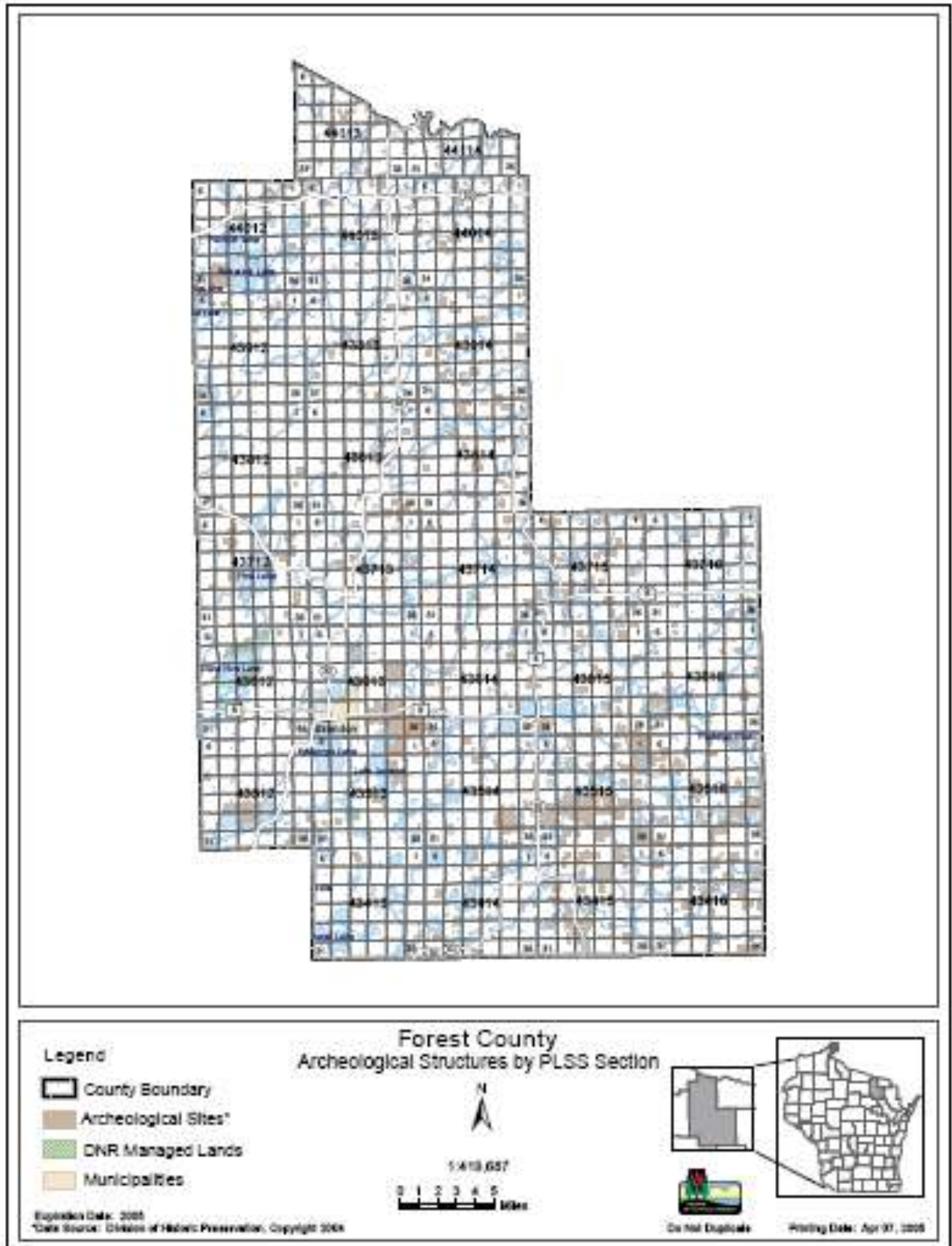








## 925.5 Archeological Structures





## 925.6 Historic Structures

